

Assignment 2

DUE DATE: Thursday 11th, February 2021.

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Full name _____ **Student ID.** _____

All data are downloadable from yahoo finance

You should submit your answer with (i) the code file with the name (assignment1__yourname.r) and (ii) the report in .pdf file. You can upload your files on the BE-moodle

1.(90 points) Consider the stock price of Caterpillar (CAT) stock, Airports of Thailand Public Company Limited (AOT.BK) from January 3, 2000 to January 31, 2021. The data are downloadable from yahoo finance.

- (a) Calculate the log returns and the simple returns, then plot these two series on the same figure.
- (b) Compute the sample mean, standard deviation, skewness, excess kurtosis, minimum, and maximum of each simple return series.
- (c) Obtain the empirical density function of the simple returns of Caterpillar stock. Are the daily simple returns normally distributed? Perform a normality test to justify your answer.
- (d) Compute the sample mean, standard deviation, skewness, excess kurtosis, minimum, and maximum of each log return series.
- (e) Test the null hypothesis that the mean of the log returns of Caterpillar stock is zero. Do the same test for AOT stock.
- (f) Obtain the empirical density plot of the daily log returns of Caterpillar stock and AOT stock.
- (g) Construct a 95% confidence interval for the daily log returns of CAT stock.

(h) Test $H_0 : m_3 = 0$ versus $H_a : m_3 \neq 0$, where m_3 denotes the skewness of the return.

(i) Test $H_0 : K = 3$ versus $H_a : K \neq 3$, where K denotes the kurtosis. (Excess kurtosis = 0.)