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## Assignment #1

Randomly pick up 5 stocks satisfying the following category ranges: one stock with current market capital size of around \$1 Trillion, APPL ~ 3T the second one with current market capital size of around \$100 Billion, TXN ~ 160B the third one with current market capital size of around \$10 Billion, GRMN ~ 20B the fourth one with current market capital size of around \$1 billion, HLIT ~ 1.8B and the last one with current market capital size of around \$100 Million. QMCO ~ 100M We use 6/30/23 as the date to measure their market capital size.

Download their daily return data for the last 20 years (i.e., the data starts from 7/1/2003)

to 6/30/2023).

- 2. Compute the realized average annual returns and annual standard deviations
  - a. First, compute the quantities using annualize returns
  - b. Second, compute the quantities using daily returns then convert them to annual ones by applying formula: and
  - c. Plot the distributions of them using daily data (you need bin the obtained daily returns into different value ranges. For example, you may choose value ranges such as -100% to -90%, -90% to -80%, ..., 90% to 100% and above 100%, and count how many observed returns allocated in each of these bins).
  - d. Plot their cumulative returns as a function of time.