BUS 41000 R Usage Showcase

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Note

We will use the free statistics package R, which can be downloaded from http://www.r-project.org. For working with R, I strongly recommend the free software RStudio, which is available for Windows, Mac, and Linux, from http://www.rstudio.com. This document is prepared by R Markdown. This is a convenient tool for creating reports that have embeded R output.

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In the following, R codes are followed by R output. For any R function which you feel confused about, please utilize the help function in R for detailed instructions. For example, function cor() help use to compute correlation (matrices), if you would like to know the details of its usage, input the R command help(cor).

R Code Example for Question 1

The data in this example is from the file "CountryMonthlyReturns2.csv". We care about the monthly returns from Japan and Canada. First of all, we should read the data into R.

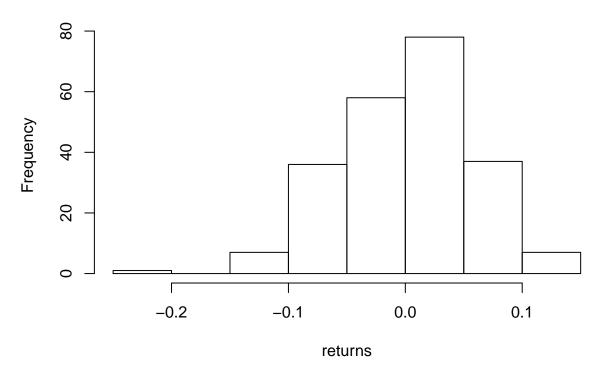
However, before we input the required data, we should know and specify the working directory first, all the line but the last is R comment, uncomment the last line (deleting the # sign), and put your preferred location as the working directory. You can also check the directory by getwd().

Now we are ready to download and read the data

As an initial check, let's see the histogram of some variables:

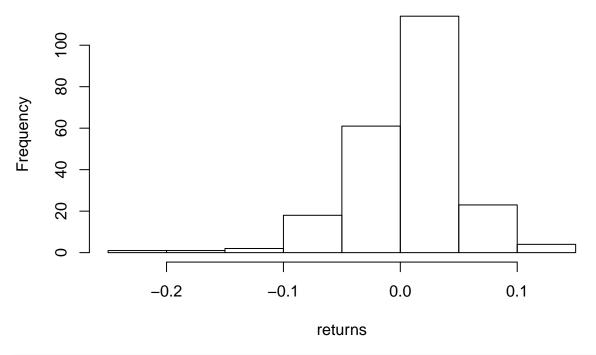
```
# plot histrograms
hist(countryReturn_df$Japan,
    breaks = 10, # this parameter controls number of bins
    xlab = "returns", ylab = "Frequency", main="Japanese returns")
```

Japanese returns



```
hist(countryReturn_df$Canada,
    breaks = 10,
    xlab = "returns", ylab = "Frequency", main="Canadian returns")
```

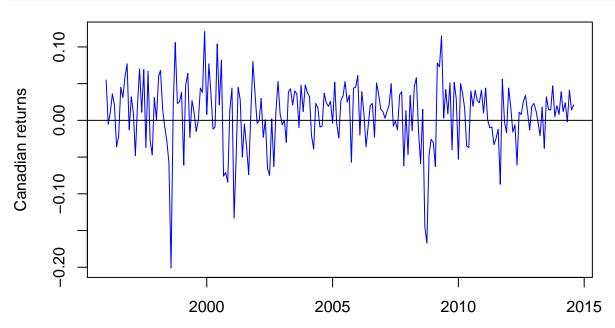
Canadian returns



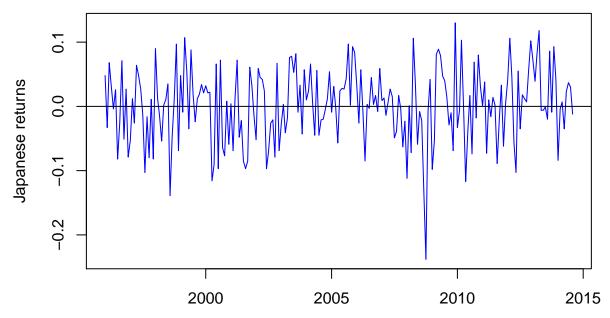
to save image, click on export and "Save as Image"

We can also see some temporal trend via plotting the time series:

```
plot(x=as.Date(countryReturn_df$Date, format = "%m/%d/%Y"),
    y=countryReturn_df$Canada, type="l", col="blue",
    xlab="", ylab="Canadian returns", main = "")
abline(h=0)
```



```
plot(x=as.Date(countryReturn_df$Date, format = "%m/%d/%Y"),
    y=countryReturn_df$Japan, type="1", col="blue",
    xlab="", ylab="Japanese returns", main = "")
abline(h=0)
```



We can also compute the mean and standard deviations, as an numberically measure of data fecture":

```
mean(countryReturn_df$Canada); sd(countryReturn_df$Canada)
```

[1] 0.00825

[1] 0.04469578

```
mean(countryReturn_df$Japan); sd(countryReturn_df$Japan)
```

[1] 0.00153125

[1] 0.05726141

According to the empirical rule, 95% of the data approximately locate in the interval $[\mu - 2s, \mu + 2s]$, we can approximate the intervals which contain about 95% of the data of the variables:

approximate the interval which contain about 50% of the data of the variables.

[1] -0.1129916 0.1160541

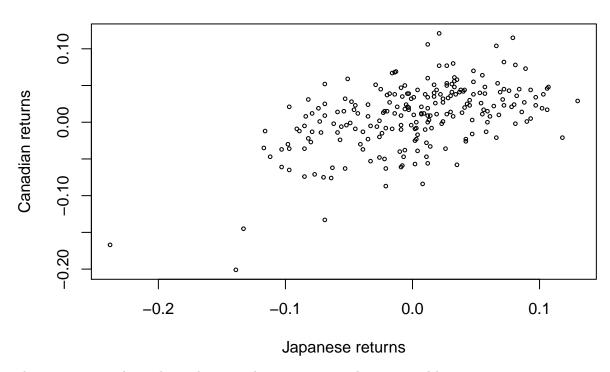
c(mean(countryReturn_df\$Canada)-2*sd(countryReturn_df\$Canada), mean(countryReturn_df\$Canada)+2*sd(countryReturn_df\$Canada)

c(mean(countryReturn_df\$Japan)-2*sd(countryReturn_df\$Japan),mean(countryReturn_df\$Japan)+2*sd(countryReturn_df\$Japan)

[1] -0.08114157 0.09764157

Scatter plot of the two variables:

Japanese vs Canadian returns



The covariance and correlation between the two series can be computed by:

```
cov(countryReturn_df$Japan,countryReturn_df$Canada)
```

```
## [1] 0.001367988
```

```
cor(countryReturn_df$Japan,countryReturn_df$Canada)
```

```
## [1] 0.5345073
```

We can use the build-in function "cor()" to compute the correlation matrix of all the variables in the data set:

```
cor(countryReturn_df[,-1]) # the first column is the date, irrelavent for the corrrelation matrix
```

```
##
             Australia
                        Austria
                                 Belgium
                                           Canada
                                                    Denmark
                                                             Finland
             1.0000000 0.6704776 0.6438713 0.6797236 0.6180243 0.5608437
## Australia
             0.6704776 1.0000000 0.7411166 0.6650339 0.6790396 0.4605711
## Austria
## Belgium
             0.6438713 0.7411166 1.0000000 0.6009331 0.7189554 0.5421499
             0.6797236 0.6650339 0.6009331 1.0000000 0.6736044 0.6212961
## Canada
## Denmark
             0.6180243 \ 0.6790396 \ 0.7189554 \ 0.6736044 \ 1.0000000 \ 0.5862118
             ## Finland
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0.6573431 0.6538039 0.8075733 0.6837532 0.7230550 0.7384811
## France
               0.6327517 0.6318698 0.7489770 0.6621978 0.7249538 0.6877437
## Germany
## HongKong
               0.6258725 0.5811087 0.4985763 0.6786325 0.5195418 0.4833354
               0.6642234 0.6369331 0.6981749 0.5910711 0.7184052 0.5702124
## Ireland
## Japan
               0.5849133 0.5280348 0.4379802 0.5345073 0.4613467 0.4643288
## Netherlands 0.5311288 0.6152085 0.7265127 0.5475539 0.6443467 0.5307925
## NewZealand 0.6328014 0.5669714 0.4907362 0.5012801 0.5257935 0.4277547
               0.6129359 0.5857867 0.6784857 0.5981944 0.5995776 0.5842721
## Spain
## Sweden
               0.5979439 0.5446140 0.6403899 0.6295725 0.6996791 0.7488425
## Switzerland 0.5861421 0.5882713 0.7404581 0.5646645 0.6545910 0.5606724
               0.7303060 0.6957456 0.7610382 0.7014349 0.6973744 0.6533517
## USA
               0.7081417 0.6313730 0.7281446 0.7877786 0.6866123 0.6880405
## Brazil
               0.5639818 0.4670540 0.4221480 0.5804489 0.4710060 0.5119054
               0.4743731 0.4491174 0.4206435 0.5285505 0.4665362 0.3986968
## Chile
               0.6006315 0.5396844 0.4777814 0.6875743 0.4883464 0.4832811
## Mexico
## Peru
               0.4422776 0.4953483 0.3395889 0.4789480 0.3505954 0.2369585
## South.Korea 0.5202035 0.4177055 0.3907107 0.4681153 0.4288943 0.4297035
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                                                            Japan Netherlands
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## Finland
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## Germany
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## NewZealand 0.4968183 0.4824245 0.4739738 0.4747102 0.4375893
                                                                    0.3858850
## Spain
               0.8067275 0.7370606 0.5792854 0.5998081 0.4866818
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  Sweden
               0.8176037 0.8304672 0.5973980 0.6065644 0.5358427
                                                                    0.6712783
## Switzerland 0.7989745 0.7446520 0.4805557 0.6410246 0.4958760
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## UK
               0.8190962 0.7867908 0.6322654 0.7103416 0.5259886
## USA
               0.8011831 0.7913985 0.6591336 0.7113608 0.5839363
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## Brazil
               0.5472689 0.5078994 0.5939429 0.4344350 0.4260748
                                                                    0.3594638
## Chile
               0.4565501 0.4381567 0.5379214 0.4207402 0.3688103
                                                                    0.3508425
               0.5440546 0.5808514 0.6339704 0.4881024 0.4368920
## Mexico
                                                                    0.4609820
## Peru
               0.2914877 \ 0.3172167 \ 0.3834366 \ 0.3241497 \ 0.3590441
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               NewZealand
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## Australia
                0.6328014 0.6129359 0.5979439
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                0.5669714 0.5857867 0.5446140
                                                 0.5882713 0.6957456 0.6313730
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## Belgium
                0.4907362 0.6784857 0.6403899
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## Canada
## Denmark
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                                                 0.6545910 0.6973744 0.6866123
## Finland
                0.4277547 0.5842721 0.7488425
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## France
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## HongKong
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## Japan
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## Netherlands 0.3858850 0.6254792 0.6712783
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## NewZealand
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                                                0.5763765 0.5427861 0.5421729
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                                                0.6659338 0.7307110 0.6943745
## Spain
## Sweden
                0.4573488 0.7310355 1.0000000
                                                0.6816989 0.7262147 0.7226737
## Switzerland 0.5763765 0.6659338 0.6816989
                                                1.0000000 0.7413779 0.7089105
                0.5427861 0.7307110 0.7262147
                                                0.7413779 1.0000000 0.8255826
## USA
                0.5421729 0.6943745 0.7226737
                                                0.7089105 0.8255826 1.0000000
               0.4103215 0.5444987 0.5161613
                                                0.4271179 0.5353068 0.5175980
## Brazil
## Chile
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                                                0.4407258 0.4826515 0.5167675
## Mexico
                0.4531750 0.5486624 0.5120858
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## Peru
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## South.Korea 0.4499432 0.4423668 0.4483643
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##
                  Brazil
                             Chile
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## Australia
              0.5639818 0.4743731 0.6006315 0.4422776
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## Belgium
               0.4221480 0.4206435 0.4777814 0.3395889
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## Canada
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              0.4710060 0.4665362 0.4883464 0.3505954
## Denmark
                                                         0.4288943
## Finland
               0.5119054 0.3986968 0.4832811 0.2369585
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              0.5472689 0.4565501 0.5440546 0.2914877
## France
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## Germany
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## HongKong
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## Ireland
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## Japan
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## Switzerland 0.4271179 0.4407258 0.4770645 0.2577390
                                                         0.3841054
## UK
               0.5353068 0.4826515 0.5764844 0.3538175
                                                         0.5128874
## USA
               0.5175980 0.5167675 0.6660728 0.3838020
                                                         0.4922427
## Brazil
               1.0000000 0.5457366 0.6110619 0.4133186
                                                         0.4242121
## Chile
               0.5457366 1.0000000 0.5076630 0.4587706
                                                         0.4135685
               0.6110619 0.5076630 1.0000000 0.4247362
## Mexico
                                                         0.4236402
               0.4133186 0.4587706 0.4247362 1.0000000
## Peru
                                                         0.3150030
## South.Korea 0.4242121 0.4135685 0.4236402 0.3150030
                                                         1.0000000
```

Example Code for Question 4

First prepare the data:

```
library(fImport)

## Loading required package: timeDate

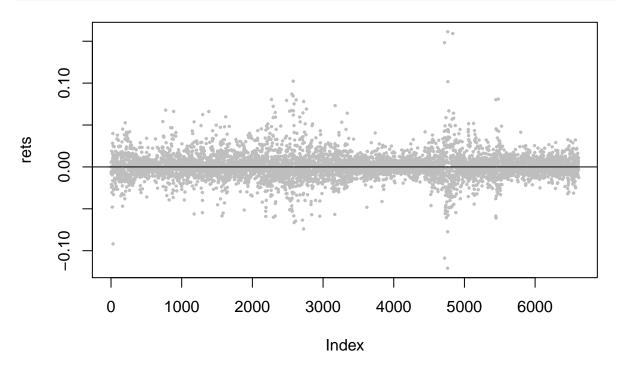
## Loading required package: timeSeries

Y=yahooSeries("BRK-A", from="1990-01-01")
y=rev(Y$'BRK-A.Adj.Close')
n=length(y)
rets=y[-1]/y[-n]-1
summary(rets)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
## -0.1209000 -0.0059470 0.0000000 0.0005906 0.0063730 0.1613000
```

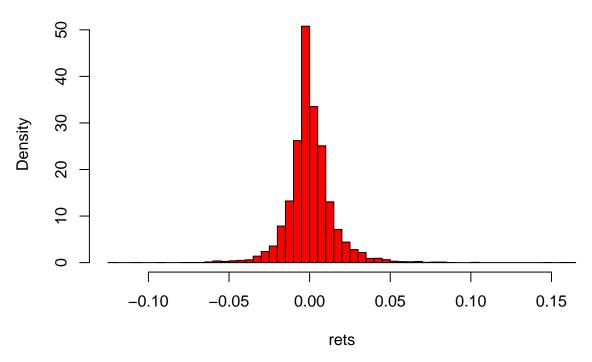
Then visualize the data by time series plot and histogram:

```
plot(rets,pch=20,col=24,cex=0.5)
abline(0,0)
```



hist(rets,breaks=50,freq=FALSE,main="GE Returns",col="red")

GE Returns



```
# find the highest return
iMax = which(rets == max(rets))  # index of the highest return
rets[iMax]  # largest return
```

[1] 0.1612903

```
# find the lowest return
iMin = which(rets == min(rets))  # index of the lowest return
rets[iMin]  # lowest return
```

[1] -0.1208791