# MA 5124 Financial Time Series Analysis & Forecasting

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# Course Syllabus

Module Code: MA 5124

Title: Financial Time Series Analysis & Forecasting

Credits: 4

### Pre-requiites

None

### Learning Objectives

- The purpose of this course is to provide students with introductory tools for the time series analysis of financial time series.
- Analyze of data series based on stochastic and non stochastic models

### Learning Outcomes

- On successful completion of this course, students will be able to provide more than an introductory treatment of the topics.
- Students are encouraged to pursue further study in this area if they find that the topics covered in this course.

### Outline Syllabus

- Definition and examples of time series
- back-shift and differencing-operators, strong and weak stationarity, definition of ACF, PACF.

• Definitions and properties of the  $MA(q), MA(\infty), AR(p), AR(\infty)$  and ARMA(p,q), in particular their acf's

- causal stationarity of AR
- invertibility of MA models and causal stationarity and invertibility of ARMA; concept of spectral density function and its applications
- definition and properties of integrated ARIMA(p, d, q) processes
- definition and properties of random walks with or without drift.
- Model selection following the AIC and BIC
- brief introduction to linear prediction and calculation of forecasting intervals for normal ARMA models
- point and interval forecasts for normal random walks with or without drift.
- Definition and properties of the VAR (vector autoregressive) model, arrange a univariate time series as a multivariate Markov model.
- Nonlinear properties of financial time series
- definition and properties of the well known ARCH, GARCH etc.
- Cointegration in Single Equations, Modeling and Forecasting Financial Time Series.

### Method of Assessment

- Assignment 30%
- End-semester examination 70%

#### Lecturer

Dr. Priyanga D. Talagala

#### Schedule

Lectures:

• Sunday [9.00am -12.00 noon]

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### Introduction

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Figures and tables with captions will be placed in figure and table environments, respectively.

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par(mar = c(4, 4, .1, .1))
plot(pressure, type = 'b', pch = 19)
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Reference a figure by its code chunk label with the fig: prefix, e.g., see Figure 1.1. Similarly, you can reference tables generated from knitr::kable(), e.g., see Table 1.1.

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knitr::kable(
  head(iris, 20), caption = 'Here is a nice table!',
  booktabs = TRUE
)
```

You can write citations, too. For example, we are using the **bookdown** package (Xie, 2020) in this sample book, which was built on top of R Markdown and **knitr** (Xie, 2015).



Figure 1.1: Here is a nice figure!

Table 1.1: Here is a nice table!

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4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	setosa
5.4	3.7	1.5	0.2	setosa
4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	setosa
4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa
4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa
5.7	4.4	1.5	0.4	setosa
5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	setosa
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.3	setosa
5.7	3.8	1.7	0.3	setosa
5.1	3.8	1.5	0.3	setosa

# Literature

Here is a review of existing methods.

# Methods

We describe our methods in this chapter.

# **Applications**

Some significant applications are demonstrated in this chapter.

- 4.1 Example one
- 4.2 Example two

# Final Words

We have finished a nice book.

# **Bibliography**

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