Solution to Exercise 5

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- 1. See Jupyter notebook.
- 2. (a) Splitting out the first term of the sum immediately yields

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{t+1,EWMA}^{2} = (1 - \lambda) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{j} r_{t-j}^{2}$$

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{t+1,EWMA}^{2} = (1 - \lambda) \lambda^{0} r_{t-0}^{2} + (1 - \lambda) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{j} r_{t-j}^{2}$$

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{t+1,EWMA}^{2} = (1 - \lambda) r_{t}^{2} + (1 - \lambda) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{j+1} r_{t-1-j}^{2}$$

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{t+1,EWMA}^{2} = (1 - \lambda) r_{t}^{2} + \lambda (1 - \lambda) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{j} r_{t-1-j}^{2}$$

$$= (1 - \lambda) r_{t}^{2} + \lambda \widehat{\sigma}_{t,EWMA}^{2}.$$