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# Behavior of Share Prices of the Brussels Stock Exchange

## I. INTRODUCTION

In this study we shall be concerned with the statistical properties of stock prices as generated on the Brussels Exchange. As an offshoot of this goal we expect to temper the claim of some technical analysts that they can detect, ex ante, trends or patterns in price changes which they subsequently can utilize to systematically increase investment profits.

Are technical analysts successful in predicting the market? There is plenty of evidence about the U.S. and some other countries that they are not.<sup>1</sup> Much of the evidence rests on the random walk model : tests by academic researchers, using statistical techniques and various trading rules, suggest that past price changes are not helpful in predicting future price changes. The reaction of some, if not most, technical analysts was simply to ignore this evidence.<sup>2</sup>

While the random walk model is considered a 'good' approximation of the behavior of stock prices on U.S. capital markets, there was too little evidence to assert the same for the Brussels

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<sup>1.</sup> See Fama (1965); and Fama (1970); Jacquillat and Solnik (1974).

<sup>2.</sup> Fortune (August 1975).

Stock Exchange with great confidence. This paper attempts to fill the existing gap.

One of the findings of this study is that the Brussels stock prices did not exhibit a consistent pattern of non-randomness. Although for some stocks a significant statistical dependence was observed for the entire period considered, further tests on subperiods indicated that the statistical dependence behaves erratically through time. Dependence in sub-periods may exist but knowing it yields no insight as to the type and importance of the dependence in subsequent sub-periods. Therefore it is doubtful whether possibly existing dependencies can be exploited successfully for superior forecasting especially if security analysis and transaction costs are taken into account.

Another finding of this study is that the distribution of stock returns has some characteristics of a non-normal generating process. In particular, the results pointed in the direction of a 'fattailed' stable Paretian distribution with characteristic exponents in the neighborhood of 1.5.

## **II. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK**

The model to be tested in this study is expressed in terms of continuously compounded returns. These are defined as

 $r_{it} = \log_e(1 + R_{it})$ 

where

 $r_{it}$  = the continuously compounded return of security *i* over the period t-1 to t

 $\log_e$  = the natural logarithm operator

 $R_{it}$  = the « simple » return or proportional price change after correction for dividends, bonuses and stock splits.

Note that, for small  $R_{it}$  (e.g.  $R_{it} \leq 15 \%$ ),  $r_{it}$  and  $R_{it}$  are virtually identical.

The model states, firstly, that the distribution of returns is independent of the sequence of past returns :

 $f(\tilde{r}_{it} \mid r_{it-1}, r_{it-2}, \ldots) = f(\tilde{r}_{it})$ 

where tildes ( $\sim$ ) denote random variables,

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and, secondly, that this distribution is invariant through time :

$$f(\tilde{r}_{it} | r_{it-1}, r_{it-2}, \ldots) = f(\tilde{r}_i)$$
(1)

Since

$$r_{it} = \log_e \left( \frac{P_t}{P_{t-1}} \right) = \log_e(P_t) - \log_e(P_{t-1})$$

Expression (1) says that the sequence of  $\log_e$  prices follow a random walk.

One implication of Equation 1 is

$$E(\tilde{r}_{it} | r_{it-1}, r_{it-2}, \ldots) = E(\tilde{r}_i)$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

that is, the conditional expected rate of return is equal to the marginal rate of return (or the expected returns are constant over time), and individual returns are serially independent.

Equation 2 will be tested using serial correlation (a test on Cov  $(\tilde{r}_{it}, \tilde{r}_{it-k}) = 0$ ;  $k = 1, 2, 3, \ldots t - 1$ ) and runs analysis (a test on non-linear dependence).

The second topic of interest is the form of the distribution  $f(\tilde{r}_i)$ . Specifically, we will investigate whether the probability function may be normal, or if not, it may be some of other members of the family of symmetric stable Paretian distributions.

## III. DATA

Since, for small differencing intervals, returns in excess of 15 % are very unusual and since for the small values and short periods the continuously compounded return is almost identical to the simple (« percentage ») return, the latter will be used in this study.

Daily returns of 29 companies were computed as follows :

$$R_{it} = \frac{P_{it}(CF_{it}) - P_{it-1} + d_{it}}{P_{it-1}}$$

whereby

$$R_{it}$$
 = denotes daily rate of return of security *i* over period  $t - 1$   
to *t*

 $P_{it}$  = the daily price of security *i* at period *t*   $CF_{it}$  = a coefficient which adjusts for bonuses, stock splits, etc.  $d_{it}$  = cash dividends paid.<sup>3</sup>

Our research period extends from January 1, 1972 to December 31, 1975, i.e. 984 price quotations per security. Each security was traded both at the 'contant' (spot) and 'termijn' (forward) markets, and thus two sets of data were collected for each security. All 29 companies, Belgian and foreign, are fairly large; their stocks are well traded. Table 1 decomposes the sample on a country basis.

## IV. RESULTS

## A. Test of Independence

1. Serial Correlation Model

A standard statistical method for the detection of systematic dependence in returns, or in any time series of data, is the computation of serial correlation coefficients. We define the sample serial correlation coefficient as

$$\hat{\rho}(\widetilde{R}_{it},\widetilde{R}_{it-k}) = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(\widetilde{R}_{it},\widetilde{R}_{it-k})}{S(\widetilde{R}_{it}) S(\widetilde{R}_{it-k})}$$

S = the sample standard deviation of returns

 $k = 1, 2, 3, \ldots t - 1$ 

The null hypothesis to be tested is of the form :

$$H_0: \hat{\rho}(\widetilde{R}_{it}, \widetilde{R}_{it-k}) = 0$$

against the alternative hypothesis :

$$H_1: \hat{\rho}(\widetilde{R}_{it}, \widetilde{R}_{it-k}) \neq 0$$

<sup>3.</sup> If stated in foreign currency, the dividends are converted into Belgian francs on the basis of the official exchange rate on the ex-dividend date.

Country	Number of Companies	
Belgium	21	
Canada	1	
Great Britain	1	
Luxembourg	1	
Netherlands	1	
South Africa	3	
U.S.A.	1	
TOTAL SAMPLE	29	

 TABLE 1

 Decomposition of the Sample on a Country Basis (a)

(a) Details of the sample in Appendix Table 1.

When the true correlation coefficient is zero and the sample is large, the sample serial correlation coefficient is approximately normal with :

$$t\text{-statistic} = \frac{\hat{\rho}(\widetilde{R}_{it},\widetilde{R}_{it-k}) - (N-k)^{-1}}{(N-k)^{-1/2}}$$

where

N = the sample size -(N-k)<sup>-1</sup> = the bias

 $(N-k)^{-1/2}$  = the estimate of the standard deviation.

Using the 983 realized daily returns, sample serial correlation coefficients were computed for each stock, both on the spot and forward markets and for lags from 1 to 10 days. The results are shown in Appendix Tables 2 and 2-A.

In general, the sample serial correlation coefficients are small in absolute value. For the spot market, the first order coefficients range from -0.1488 to 0.1390. For the forward market, the values of the serial correlation coefficients range from -0.1418 to 0.1630. Of the 29 companies on the spot market, 11 and 6 are significant at the 5 % and 1 % levels of significance respectively. Similarly, on the forward market, there are 12 and 7 values which are significant at the 5 % and 1 % respectively. These observations are highly improbable if the true serial correlation coefficient is zero and if the correlations over the sample are cross-sectionally independent (we are aware they are not).

Yet, from a practical point of view, the overall importance remains questionable. Although for some stocks the hypothesis of zero serial correlation can hardly be retained, the values are not large. Even a  $\hat{\rho}(\widetilde{R}_{it},\widetilde{R}_{it-k}) = 0.1630$  (the largest absolute value found) explains no more than 3.0 % of the variance.

It is worthwhile to note a slight preponderance of positive signs for the first order sample serial correlation coefficients in Appendix Tables 2 and 2-A. This result corresponds with the results obtained by Fama (1965) for daily price changes on the Dow-Jones Industrials. The reader is cautioned against drawing any premature conclusion — such as utilizing the information for forecasting purposes — from the correspondence in sign on the sample serial correlation coefficients. According to the 'market' model,<sup>4</sup> returns for different securities are related to a market factor common to all securities which means that the serial correlation coefficients are not cross-sectionally independent.

2. Runs Analysis<sup>5</sup>

Runs tests are based on the classification of sample events into mutually exclusive categories, such as defective or non-defective, below 100 or above 100. In our case, a change in price can be classified as positive (+), negative (-) or no change (0). A single run then, will be defined as a series of one or more events of the same category. Practically, our data are represented in a chronological order, showing strings of category designations, i.e. we represent the observations by +'s, -'s and 0's:

++ - + 0 - ++ 0 ---- +

The series of identical signs are grouped and a run is connected with a brace. In the example there are 4 runs of pluses (two

<sup>4.</sup> A description of the model can be found in Fama (1976).

<sup>5.</sup> Adapted from Fama (1965).

times ++ and two times +), 3 of minuses (two times — and one time — — —) and 2 of « no change » (one time 0 and one time 00). The idea behind every runs analysis in testing randomness is that too few or too many runs are unlikely if a sample is truly random through time. For in the case of randomness, the sequence of signs would be one random « permutation » of the signs out of all possible permutations.

Under the hypothesis that drawings from a trinomial population (+, -, 0) are independent and random, the total actual number of runs,  $\widetilde{TR}$ , will have an approximately normal distribution with expected value :

$$M = \left[ N(N+1) - \sum_{i=1}^{3} n_i^2 \right] / N$$
 (3)

where N is the total actual number of price changes and  $n_i$ , i=1, 2, 3, are the number of price changes of each sign, and standard error :

$$S_{\widetilde{TR}} = \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{3} n_i^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{3} n_i^2 + N(N+1) \right] - 2N \sum_{i=1}^{3} n_i^3 - N^3}{N^2(N-1)} \right\}^{1/2}$$
(4)

These formulas yield a test statistic and a decision rule to claim whether or not stock price changes are random and serially independent. Given the normality of  $\widetilde{TR}$ , the Z-statistic is determined in the usual manner as :

$$Z = \frac{TR - M}{S_{TR}}$$

In the appendix, Tables 3 and 3-A show the results of the runs analysis by totals, irrespective of signs, for one-day intervals on both the spot and forward markets. For 22 out of 29 companies, the total actual number of runs is lower than expected, as consistent with the previous evidence of positive first order serial correlation.<sup>6</sup> For the spot market, there are 11 and 4 securities which are significant at respectively 5 % and 1 % levels of significance. For the forward market, there are 14 and 10 stocks which are significant at the 5 % and 1 % level respectively.

To a random walk theorist, the results of the runs analysis during the sample period for the securities on the forward market must come as a disturbing surprise. One cannot claim that the investigated price sequences on the Brussels Stock Exchange conform completely to the independence hypothesis of the random walk model. So, it was interesting to carry out some further tests. The entire sample period was subdivided into four sub-periods and a separate runs analysis for each sub-period was performed. The new results, in general, revealed no 'systematic' pattern of dependence over time, which supports the observation that some stocks may exhibit non-random characteristics during certain periods of time but that the importance and type of dependence behaved erratically through time. The stock trader, then, will be faced with the problem of identifying such profitable periods whenever they occur, if they do so at all.

## B. Distribution of Daily Returns

In this section we investigate whether the empirical distribution of daily returns conforms to the normal distribution or not. Moreover, we also investigate if departures from normality are in the direction of Mandelbrot's hypothesis of symmetric stable Paretian returns with characteristic exponent  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . The most important feature of such a distribution is that extreme positive and negative values would occur more often than one would expect if the sample were normally distributed.

## 1. Tests of Normality

## 1.1. Studentized Range

The studentized range will be applied to test whether or not the empirical distribution of daily returns conforms to the normal distribution. It is given by :

<sup>6.</sup> Spearman rank correlation coefficients between both series of t (serial correlation) and Z (runs) statistics were 0.678 for the spot market and 0.508 for the forward market.

$$SR = \frac{\operatorname{Max}(R_i) - \operatorname{Min}(R_i)}{S(R_i)}$$

that is the studentized range is the ratio of the range (maximum minus minimum value of the variable) over the sample standard deviation of returns.

Appendix Tables 4 and 4-A show the studentized range for each of the individual stocks. A table is available where fractiles of the distribution of studentized ranges have been computed based on the assumption that the sample is drawn from a normal distribution. In a sample of 1000, the probabilities that the studentized range will be equal to or less than 7.33 or 7.99 are 0.95 and 0.99 respectively. In a sample size of 983, the studentized range values will not differ significantly from 7.33 or 7.99 at the 5 % and 1 %levels of significance respectively. We found the studentized range for all securities to be well beyond the critical values. This result therefore indicates that extreme values occurred much more often than would be expected if the sample came from a normal distribution.

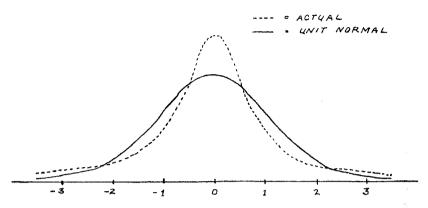
## 1.2. Frequency Distributions

Another method of analyzing the distribution of daily returns is to construct frequency distributions for the individual securities. With intervals expressed in standard deviations from the mean, the actual number of daily returns is set out and compared to what is expected under a normal distribution (Appendix Tables 5 and 5-A). The expected frequencies are computed under the assumption that the daily returns are independent drawings from a normal distribution with mean and standard deviation equal to the sample estimates of these parameters for each security.

A common characteristic of Appendix Tables 5 and 5-A is the presence of some degree of leptokurtosis : the empirical distribution is more peaked at the center, and 'fatter' on the tails than a normal distribution. Within the interval — 0.5 to 0.5 standard deviations from the mean, as well as in extreme classes (columns 1, 2, 3, 13, 14 and 15), the actual frequencies are greater than expected, whereas in columns 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11 and 12 they are less. Figure 1 provides a graphical comparison between the empirical and normal distributions. The solid curve represents the

#### Figure 1

Comparison Between Actual and Unit Normal Probability Distributions



unit normal while the dashed curve represents the general form of the empirical distribution of the sample.

The significance of the observed departures from normality was tested by Pearson X<sup>2</sup>-test on the average distribution of all companies. With 10 degrees of freedom,<sup>7</sup> the critical value of  $X\alpha^2$ with  $\alpha = 0.05$  is 18.307. The computed X<sup>2</sup> values, 127.32 for the spot market and 123.18 for the forward market, are well beyond this. Hence we reject the hypothesis that daily returns are drawings from a single normal population.

#### 2. The Mandelbrot's Hypothesis

Given the results of the previous sections, it is apparent that the distribution of daily returns did not conform to a single normal distribution. The distribution has been described as leptokurtic, i.e. 'fat-tailed' and 'peaked at the center'.

According to the Mandelbrot hypothesis, the distribution of returns is symmetric stable Paretian with characteristic exponent  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . Such a distribution is characterized by three parameters, namely the location parameter, the scale parameter, and the characteristic exponent. The Cauchy and normal distributions represent limiting cases with respective values 1.0 and 2.0 for the characteristic exponent. As  $\alpha$  decreases from 2.0, the distribution exhibits 'fatter' and 'fatter' tails.

7. The three extreme intervals in each tail were treated as one class.

An important property of the symmetric stable Paretian distribution is that it is invariant under addition. That is, the distributions of sums of independent and identically distributed stable variables have the same characteristic exponent as the distribution of the individual components.

An alternative explanation of leptokutosis is that returns are random and independent drawings from a mixture of normal distributions with an identical mean but different standard deviations. Such a mixture of normals will also show leptokurtosis so that the estimated characteristic ('tail') exponent will be less than 2.0. However, this tail exponent will not be stable under addition and will in fact converge to 2.0 as the sum size is increased.

In the coming sections, we will estimate the tail exponent and test its stability under addition in order to distinguish between the Mandelbrot and the « mixture of normals » hypothesis.<sup>8</sup> Finally, the symmetry of the distribution will be investigated.

#### 2.1. Test of Stability

A test of stability suggested by Fama and Roll (1971) makes use of the property of linear combinations of independent and identically distributed variables with characteristic exponent  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . If, with the presumption of independence in the data, the value of  $\alpha$  approaches 2.0 as the sum size is increased, such would be evidence of normal properties in the data. However, if the value of  $\alpha$  remains independent of the sum size, such would be evidence in favor of a symmetric stable distribution.

According to Fama and Roll (1971), the estimate of the characteristic exponent can be obtained by using the equation

$$Z_{f} = \left(\frac{(R_{.72} - R_{.28})}{(R_{f} - R_{1-f})}\right) 0.827$$

where for a sample size N of the return variable R,  $R_f$  is the  $f(N+1)^{st}$  ordered observation, so that both the numerator and the denominator measure interfractile ranges, and  $Z_f$  is the ratio of two interfractile ranges. In order to estimate  $\alpha$ , we refer to

<sup>8.</sup> The above test of stability under addition presumes independence of the data. In view of our former findings this may be a critical point.

Table 2 given by Fama and Roll (1968) who listed the values of  $\alpha_t$  for various  $Z_t$ .

Appendix Tables 7 and 7-A list our estimates of the characteristic or « tail » exponent of the distributions of daily returns. Fractiles of 0.95, 0.96 and 0.97 were used to estimate the ' tail ' exponents,  $\alpha$ , for the original sample of 983 daily returns. All characteristic or « tail » exponents lie between 1 and 2. On the spot and forward markets, the mean values, based on 0.96 fractile estimates, equal 1.458 and 1.456 respectively. This agrees with the previous results that the empirical distribution of returns is more peaked at the center and ' fatter ' on the tails than would be expected from a normal distribution.

To test stability under addition, characteristic exponents were computed for the distributions of sums of 2 and 5 non-overlapping successive returns (these sum sizes were chosen arbitrarily). The results are shown in columns 4 and 5 of Appendix Tables 6 and 6-A. Comparing these values with those of the original samples yields no appreciable differences. Therefore, we might conclude that the property of stability of the symmetric stable distribution is upheld. Conversely, since our results did not show any convergence towards the Gaussian limit the « mixture of normals » hypothesis is not validated.

## 2.2. Test of Symmetry

Tests of symmetry (coefficient of skewness) on daily returns have produced evidence of a slight effect of right-skewness. This can be explained, perhaps, by the fact that all daily returns were expressed in terms of percentages rather than logarithmically, the form required on a strict theoretical basis. Compounding the daily returns logarithmically would have the effect of pulling back the right, and extending the left tail of the distributions.

## V. CONCLUSIONS

We now summarize the basic results of this study.

#### A. Independence

The techniques used were serial correlation and runs analysis. The results did not conform completely to the independence

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hypothesis: for nearly one-third of the stocks, evidence of a slight but not necessarily consistent form of statistical dependence was found. However it remains highly doubtful whether such dependence can be exploited to realize profits, especially if security analysis and transaction costs are taken into account.

#### B. Distribution of Returns

The hypotheses of a single normal distribution and « mixture of normals » have not been validated by the data. If truly independent, the data correspond to symmetric stable distributions with characteristic exponent around 1.5.

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# APPENDIX

Spot	Forward(*)	Company	Country
3128	5001	Acec	Belgium
3299	5010	CBR	Belgium
3135	5012	Cockerill	Belgium
3022	5014	Cometra Oil	Belgium
3108	5016	Electrobel	Belgium
3117	5018	EBES	Belgium
3171	5019	Fabr. Nat.	Belgium
3217	5026	Gevaert	Belgium
3123	5029	Interbrabant	Belgium
3124	5030	Intercom	Belgium
3144	5036	M.H.S.	Belgium
3441	5040	Petrofina	Belgium
3484	5042	Cobepa	Belgium
3109	5053	Sidro	Belgium
3428	5059	Tabacofina	Belgium
3235	5064	ИСВ	Belgium
320 <b>9</b>	5066	Union Minière	Belgium
3470	5072	Solvay	Belgium
<b>3</b> 107	5073	Electrafina	Belgium
3234	5081	Tessenderlo	Belgium
3490	5083	Traction et Elec	Belgium
4000	5003	ARBED	Luxembourg
4221	5015	De Beers	South Africa
4049	5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	Canada
4145	5043	Philips	Netherlands
<b>4</b> 014	5044	Pres. Brand	South Africa
4066	5046	Boeing	U.S.A.
4118	5048	Rio Tinto	Great Britain
4020	5058	Stilfontein	South Africa

TABLE 1 List of Sample

(\*) 5 was prefixed to the actual code number.

				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(Spot N	larket)					
Stock						LA	G				
No.	Company	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3128	Acec	0.1207**	0.0394	0.0575	0.0053*	-0.0036	0.0257	0.0589	0.0384	0.0076	0.0286
3299	CBR		0.0050	0.0234	0.0039	0.0001	0.0271	0.0002	0.0122	0.0244	0.0149
3135	Cockerill	0.1390**	—0.0553	0.0309	0.0156	—0.0116	0.0291	0.0080	0.0100	0.0021	-0.0416
3022	Cometra Oil	0.0161	0.0496	0.0335	0.0027	0.0689*	-0.0073	0.0137	0.0012	0.0049	0.0348
3108	Electrobel	0.0485	0.0119	0.0317	0.0057	0.0379	0.0511	0.0033	0.0429	0.0011	0.0419
<b>3</b> 117	EBES	0.0402	0.0339	0.0497	0.0670*	0.0101	0.0097	0.0069	0.0512	0.0131	0.0280
3171	Fabr. Nat.	0.0200	0.0120	0.0191	0.0323	0.0724*	0.0086	—0.0369	0.0017	0.0327	0.0295
3217	Gevaert		0.0526	0.0233	0.0202	0.0049	0.0745	0.0232	0.0083	0.0615	0.0044
3123	Interbrabant		0.0491	0.0606	0.0164	0.0513	0.0527	0.0148	0.0508	0.0047	0.0049
3124	Intercom	-0.0273		0.0349	0.0020	0.0310	0.0220	0.0099	0.0067	0.0454	0.0318
3144	M.H.S.	0.0687*	0.0475	0.0265	0.0040	0.0386	0.0275	0.0067	0.0044	0.0086	
3441	Petrofina	0.0239	0.0389	0.0150	0.0215	0.0187	0.0780*	0.0444	0.0164	0.0260	0.0319
3484	Cobepa		—0.0616	0.0314	0.0451	0.0369	0.0254	0.0228	0.0624*	0.0139	0.0028
3109	Sidro	0.0884**	0.0096	0.0613	0.1081**	0.0054	0.0255	0.0049	0.0438	0.0430	0.0381
3428	Tabacofina	0.0215	0.0619	0.0485	0.0330	0.0298	0.0166	0.0315	0.0200	0.0559	0.0379
3235	UCB	0.0667*	0.0332	0.0446	0.0197	0.0494	0.0425	0.0565	0.0771*	0.0202	0.0709*
3209	Union Minière		0.0097	0.0690	0.0349	0.0598	0.0382	0.0048	0.0316	0.0087	0.0601
<b>3</b> 470	Solvay		0.0563	0.0261	0.0599	0.0617	—0.0195	0.0177	0.0270	0.0339	0.0375
<b>3</b> 107	Electrafina		0.0371	0.0400	0.0092	0.0474	0.0186	0.0539	0.0388	-0.0361	0.0134
3234	Tessenderlo		0.0588	0.0163	0.0043	0.0273	0.0380	0.0407	0.0568	0.0245	
<b>3</b> 490	Traction et Elec.		0.0552	0.0278	0.0216	0.0715*	0.0350	0.0069	0.0440	0.0149	0.0536
4000	ARBED		—0.0319	0.0524	0.0753*	0.0476	0.0138	0.0140	0.0312	0.0485	0.0298
4221	De Beers	0.0107	0.0252	0.0041	0.0052	0.0532	0.0048	0.0034	0.0018	0.0119	0.0145
4049	Imperial Oil Ltd.		0.0049	0.0265	0.0343	0.0398	0.0410	0.1020**		0.0502	—0.0361
4145	Philips		-0.0860**			0.0066	0.0316	0.0164	0.0739*	0.0602	0.0319
4014	Pres. Brand		-0.1484**		0.0223	0.0047	0.0260	0.0419	0.0118	0.0022	0.0309
4066	Boeing		0.0722*	-0.0018	-0.0009	0.0171	0.0162	0.0734*	-0.0538	0.0577	0.0372
4118	Rio Tinto		-0.0766*	0.0051	0.0541	0.0329	0.0185	0.0424	0.0315	0.0968**	0.0001
4020	Stilfontein	0.0809* -	—0.1942**	0.0398	0.0459	0.0235	0.0621	0.0259	0.0054	0.0205	0.0140

TABLE 2 Daily Serial Correlation for Lags 1, 2, 3, ... 10 (Spot Market)

\* = Significant at the 5 % level. \*\* = Significant at the 1 % level.

					(Forward I	Market)					
Stock						LA	.G				
No.	Company	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
5001	Acec	-0.0037	0.0919*	0.0190	0.0059	0.0318	0.0331	0.0607	0.0139	0.0129	-0.0062
5010	CBR	0.0718*	0.0048	0.0269	0.0226	0.0414	0.0143	0.0043	0.0184	0.0319	0.0436
5012	Cockerill	0.0663*	0.0155	0.0226	0.0273	0.0211	0.0087	0.0065	0.0194	0.0311	0.0645*
5014	Cometra Oil	0.0691*	0.0698*	0.0217	0.0307	0.0402	0.0529	0.0782*	0.0213	0.0228	0.0341
5016	Electrobel	0.0898**		0.0353	0.0057	0.0285	0.0129	0.0119	0.0156	0.0063	0.0080
5018	EBES	0.0671*	0.0625	0.0057	0.0045	0.0488	0.0246	0.0063	0.0176	0.0230	0.0227
5019	Fabr. Nat.	0.0270	0.0106	0.0214	0.0055	0.0785*	0.0455	0.0069	0.0279	0.0209	0.0211
5026	Gevaert	0.0568	0.0464	0.0281	0.0623	0.0038	0.0015	0.0173	0.0330	0.0539	0.0122
5029	Interbrabant	0.1418**		0.0023	0.0308	0.0467	0.0580	0.0254	0.0001	0.0386	0.0176
5030	Intercom	0.0248			0.0020	0.0122	0.0588	0.0104	0.0551	0.0054	0.0092
5036	M.H.S.	0.1235**		0.0040	0.0182	0.0061	0.0098	0.0121	0.0455	0.0461	0.0835**
5040	Petrofina	0.0356	0.0266	0.0197	0.0084	0.0737*	0.1353**	0.0490	0.0055	0.0147	0.0640
5042	Cobepa	0.0393	0.0262	0.0186	0.0034	0.0057	0.0085	0.0064	0.0660*	0.0159	0.0009
5053	Sidro	0.0005	0.0357	0.0648*	0.0688*	0.0110	0.0885**		0.0087	0.0598	0.0552
5059	Tabacofina	0.1161**		0.0204	0.0032	0.0504	0.0394	0.0301	0.0102	0.0345	0.0156
5064	UCB	0.0995**		0.0129	0.0085	0.0581	0.0361	0.0808*	0.0426	0.0167	0.0540
5066	Union Minière	0.0208	0.0148	0.0154	0.0479	0.0680*	0.0106	0.0266	0.0199	0.0075	0.0782
5072	Solvay	0.0745*	0.1084**		0.0858**	0.0241	0.0626*	0.0067	0.0038	0.0589	0.0253
5073	Electrafina	0.0508	0.0217	0.0107	0.0383	0.0116	0.0138	0.0214	0.0124	0.0433	0.0211
5081	Tessenderlo	0.1630**		0.0475	0.0116	0.0499	0.0178	0.0148	0.0248	0.0394	0.0875**
5083	Traction et Elec.	0.0384	0.0218	0.0585	0.0088	0.0418	0.0587	0.0200	0.0329	0.0100	0.0111
5003	ARBED	0.0435	0.0206	0.0274	0.0647*	0.0897**		0.0034	0.0098	0.0215	0.0021
5015	De Beers	0.0448	0.0587	0.0431	0.0183	0.0331	0.0210	0.0061	0.0248	0.0178	0.0246
5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	0.0066	0.0224	0.0288	0.0006	0.0094	0.0770*	0.0878**		0.0373	0.0206
5043	Philips	0.0130	0.0470	0.0746*	0.0068	0.0180	0.0113	0.0187	0.0657*	0.0181	0.0130
5044	Pres. Brand	0.0064	0.1538**		0.0060	0.0384	0.0000	0.0382	0.0099	0.0148	0.0285
5046	Boeing	0.0934**		0.0292	0.0381	0.0199	0.0049	0.0499	0.0152	0.0714*	0.0232
5048	Rio Tinto	0.0080	0.0728*	0.0280	0.0894**	0.0056	0.0182	0.0198	0.0122	0.0423	0.0991
5058	Stilfontein	0.0246	0.1363**	0.0326	0.0418	0.0286	0.0061	0.0446	0.0476	0.0073	0.0499

TABLE 2-A Daily Serial Correlation for Lags 1, 2, 3, ... 10 (Forward Market)

\* = Significant at the 5 % evel.! \*\* = Significant at the 1 % level.

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TABLE	3

Stock No.	Company	Actual	Expected	Z-Statistic
3128	Acec	600	600.6	0.64
3299	CBR	606	626.1	—1.38
3135	Cockerill	521	576.4	
3022	Cometra Oil	585	589.5	0.31
3108	Electrobel	594	605.8	0.81
3117	EBES	611	621.2	0.70
3171	Fabr. Nat.	634	622.5	0.79
3217	Gevaert	572	608.3	2.50*
3123	Interbrabant	647	617.4	2.03*
3124	Intercom	598	628.8	
3144	M.H.S.	577	608.1	2.13*
3441	Petrofina	518	540.3	1.48
3484	Cobepa	611	586.5	1.67
3109	Sidro	612	629.7	1.21
3428	Tabacofina	611	637.5	1.81
3235	UCB	586	622.6	
3209	Union Minière	559	581.2	
3470	Solvay	635	604.9	2.06*
3107	Electrafina	672	603.1	4.71**
3234	Tessenderlo	587	635.3	
3490	Traction et Elec.	5 <b>9</b> 9	622.3	1.59
4000	ARBED	552	574.1	—1.50
4221	De Beers	571	608.2	2.55*
<b>4</b> 049	Imperial Oil Ltd.	637	641.4	—0.30
4145	Philips	566	587.3	
4014	Pres. Brand	553	565.8	0.87
4066	Boeing	563	564.7	0.11
4118	Rio Tinto	607	621.8	1.01
4020	Stilfontein	557	605.9	3.35**

Total Actual and Expected Number of Runs Irrespective of Signs for One-day Interval (Spot arket)

## TABLE 3-A

Stock No.	Company	Actual	Expected	Z-Statistic
5001	Acec	600	608.0	0.55
5010	CBR	608	631.4	1.60
<b>5</b> 01 <b>2</b>	Cockerill	512	556.2	
5014	Cometra Oil	535	583.9	3.35**
5016	Electrobel	566	618.0	
5018	EBES	584	625.7	2.86**
5019	Fabr. Nat.	589	627.8	2.66**
5026	Gevaert	570	602.7	2.26
5029	Interbrabant	625	620.8	0.29
5030	Intercom	596	627.0	2.12*
5059	M.H.S.	<b>53</b> 6	608.9	5.00**
5040	Petrofina	549	543.9	0.34
5042	Cobepa	569	612.3	
5053	Sidro	643	622.6	1.40
5059	Tabacofina	600	641.3	
5064	UCB	563	628.0	4.45**
5066	Union Minière	576	578.4	0.16
5072	Solvay	615	608.7	0.43
5073	Electrafina	643	648.5	0.37
5081	Tessenderlo	555	637.3	5.63**
5083	Traction et Elec.	591	604.3	0.91
5003	ARBED	536	572.3	2.46*
5015	De Beers	555	589.3	
5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	559	576.6	
5043	Philips	573	576.6	0.20
5044	Pres. Brand	564	566.5	0.17
5046	Boeing	564	538.6	1.69
5048	Rio Tinto	<b>59</b> 0	599.6	0.66
5058	Stilfontein	593	592.4	0.04

Total Actual and Expected Number of Runs Irrespective of Signs for One-day Interval (Forward Market)

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# Extreme Values and Studentized Ranges for Daily Returns

		(Spot 1	Market)			
Stock No.	Company	Largest return	Smallest return	Standard deviation	Studended range	Average return
3128	Acec	—14.13	— 9.52	2.41	9.82	0.0106
3299	CBR	11.39		1.50	17.49	0.0300
3135	Cockerill	9.32	9.42	1.72	10.91	0.0213
3022	Cometra Oil	13.75	—19.86	2.95	11.40	0.0484
3108	Electrobel	5.49	4.91	0.93	11.23	0.0339
3117	EBES	5.02	— 6.13	0.86	12.95	0.0119
3171	Fabr. Nat.	13.93	9.92	2.32	10.30	0.0475
3217	Gevaert	5.57	- 6.51	1.14	10.61	0.0122
3123	Interbrabant	11.63	— 6.67	1.27	14.37	0.0075
3124	Intercom	9.51	— 7.76	1.05	16.49	0.0213
3144	M.H.S.	10.00	8.67	2.22	8.40	0.1140
3441	Petrofina	9.87	8.50	1.93	9.51	0.0626
3484	Cobepa	9.64	— 8.80	1.75	10.56	0.0722
3109	Sidro	14.37	9.85	1.63	14.90	0.0269
3428	Tabacofina	8.68	— 6.57	1.58	9.66	0.0015
3235	UCB	32.91	14.78	1.89	25.23	0.0585
3209	Union Minière	11.43	— 6.98	1.47	12.52	0.0211
3470	Solvay	22.90	— 9.68	1.58	20.68	0.0508
3107	Electrafina	10.99	7.76	1.34	13.95	0.0169
3234	Tessenderlo	15.04	— 9.27	1.52	16.01	0.0330
3490	Traction et Elec.	6.83	10.59	1.40	12.47	0.034
4000	ARBED	6.56	— 6.85	1.37	9.77	0.0331
4221	De Beers	18.42	16.11	2.20	15.71	0.0182
4049	Imperial Oil Ltd.	9.25	10.10	2.15	9.02	0.0123
4145	Philips	8.37	11.83	1.73	11.64	0.0384
4014	Pres. Brand	15.63	10.29	2.68	9.66	0.1338
4066	Boeing	15.81	7.32	2.37	9.75	0.0539
4118	Rio Tinto	9.57	—18.44	2.25	12.42	0.0269
4020	Stilfontein	15.23	14.14	3.41	8.61	0.2130

(Spot Market)

		(Forward	l Market)			
Stock No.	Company	Largest return	Smallest return	Standard deviation	Student- ized range	Average return
5001	Acec	11.73		2.15	11.53	0.0029
5010	CBR	10.95	14.18	1.61	15.61	0.0321
5012	Cockerill	6.47	— 7.32	1.77	7.81	0.0170
5014	Cometra Oil	15.96	14.09	2.75	10.94	0.0416
5016	Electrobel	4.39	— 4.42	0.88	10.05	0.0335
5018	EBES	9.75	— 9.09	0.91	20.70	0.0125
5019	Fabr. Nat.	12.00		2.30	10.05	0.0494
5026	Gevaert	6.42	- 4.75	1.17	9.58	0.0088
502 <b>9</b>	Interbrabant	11.46	— 7.16	1.22	15.30	0.0056
5030	Intercom	7.14	4.71	1.02	11.67	0.0209
5036	M.H.S.	10.39	8.98	2.20	8.79	0.1102
5040	Petrofina	11.16	8.57	2.01	9.81	0.0647
5042	Cobepa	9.52	— 7.55	1.58	10.80	0.0692
5053	Sidro	13.29		1.51	15.46	0.0237
5059	Tabacofina	9.91	— 8.39	1.58	11.60	0.0010
5064	UCB	29.00	—13.04	1.75	23.98	0.0564
5066	Union Minière	12.16	6.29	1.50	12.29	0.0224
5072	Solvay	19.64	5.10	1.46	16.90	0.0513
5073	Electrafina	10.00	— 9.83	1.10	18.05	0.0147
5081	Tessenderlo	13.47	9.28	1.36	16.71	0.0323
5083	Traction et Elec.	6.05	— 8.70	1.33	11.09	0.0338
5003	ARBED	6.62	- 6.13	1.39	9.20	0.0329
5015	De Beers	9.57	— 9.64	2.00	<b>9</b> .62	0.0255
5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	9.58	8.76	2.13	8.58	-0.0107
5043	Philips	6.63	—18.41	1.85	13.51	0.0014
5044	Pres. Brand	15.00		2.83	9.41	0.09 <b>92</b>
5046	Boeing	15.51	— 8.64	2.41	10.04	0.0435
5048	Rio Tinto	13.98		2.23	12.65	-0.0334
5058	Stilfontein	17.07	—12.81	3.52	8.49	0.1749

TABLE 4-A

#### Extreme Values and Studentized Ranges for Daily Returns (Forward Market)

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	TABLE 5
Frequency	Distributions for Daily Returns (Spot Market)

					Inter	vals (i	n units	of sta	andard	deviati	on fro	m the	mean)			
Stock No.	Company	<u>3.5</u>	3.5 to 3.0	3.0 to 2.5	2.5 to 2.0	2.0 to 1.5	1.5 to 1.0	1.0 to 0.5	to	0.5 to 1.0	1.0 to 1.5	1.5 to 2.0	2.0 to 2.5	2.5 to 3.0	3.0 to 3.5	≥ 3.5
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)
$\begin{array}{c} 3128\\ 3299\\ 3135\\ 3022\\ 3108\\ 3117\\ 3171\\ 3217\\ 3123\\ 3124\\ 3144\\ 3444\\ 3484\\ 3109\\ 3428\\ 3235\\ 3209\\ 3470\\ 3428\\ 3235\\ 3209\\ 3470\\ 3107\\ 3234\\ 3490\\ 4000\\ 4221\\ 4049\\ 4145\\ 4014\\ 4066\\ 4118\\ 4020\\ \end{array}$	Acec CBR Cockerill Cometra Oil Electrobel EBES Fabr. Nat. Gevaert Interbrabant Intercom M.H.S. Petrofina Cobepa Sidro Tabacofina UCB Union Minière Solvay Electrafina Tessenderlo Traction et Elec. ARBED De Beers Imperial Oil Ltd. Philips Pres. Brand Boeing Rio Tinto Stilfontein	23225323444534423136334451031	62467353342033422352232818114	46645747556633616287443727567	9 12 18 14 9 8 14 10 12 10 11 11 11 6 8 13 10 11 9 9 11 11 19 9 6 14 9 5	20 14 26 21 20 27 29 18 24 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 27 29 18 20 27 29 18 20 27 29 18 20 27 29 18 20 27 29 18 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 27 29 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	$\begin{array}{c} 73\\ 28\\ 57\\ 55\\ 36\\ 60\\ 47\\ 42\\ 53\\ 25\\ 9\\ 67\\ 63\\ 46\\ 28\\ 60\\ 70\\ 60\\ 38\\ 87\\ 36\\ 87\\ 65\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87\\ 87$	$\begin{array}{c} 137\\ 134\\ 122\\ 131\\ 118\\ 149\\ 116\\ 145\\ 101\\ 127\\ 131\\ 136\\ 111\\ 115\\ 114\\ 119\\ 140\\ 129\\ 121\\ 119\\ 112\\ 117\\ 121\\ 108\\ 133\\ 114\\ 154\\ 130\\ 148\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 501\\ 570\\ 488\\ 511\\ 545\\ 498\\ 558\\ 483\\ 568\\ 543\\ 497\\ 492\\ 502\\ 584\\ 502\\ 584\\ 527\\ 599\\ 517\\ 551\\ 521\\ 551\\ 521\\ 517\\ 535\\ 521\\ 513\\ 423\\ 492\\ 459 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 115\\ 127\\ 130\\ 126\\ 128\\ 124\\ 90\\ 124\\ 119\\ 126\\ 125\\ 119\\ 133\\ 104\\ 116\\ 122\\ 133\\ 104\\ 116\\ 122\\ 133\\ 127\\ 115\\ 132\\ 122\\ 122\\ 124\\ 103\\ 130\\ 128\\ 126\\ 122\\ \end{array}$	54 73 59 75 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55	30 18 26 23 29 24 25 33 19 22 37 24 22 28 17 29 22 28 17 29 22 37 19 26 24 26 78 31 26 43 28 37	$\begin{matrix} 16 \\ 10 \\ 18 \\ 16 \\ 8 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 12 \\ 7 \\ 12 \\ 16 \\ 13 \\ 16 \\ 9 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 18 \\ 8 \\ 12 \\ 16 \\ 15 \\ 10 \\ 12 \\ 15 \\ 10 \\ 13 \\ 15 \end{matrix}$	4 3 6 5 10 5 7 3 4 10 4 7 7 4 6 4 16 6 6 5 3 10 4 7 4 10 7 9 5	53385293435468222533312114137	764547788587569345458877557436
	Average	3.07	3.41	5.03	10.72	24.96	54.96	152.92	521.61	121.89	56.14	26.56	12.79	6.24	3.72	5.90
	Expected Frenquency	0.23	1.10	4.78	16.26	43.30	90.28	147.33	376.40	147.33	90.28	<b>43.3</b> 0	16.26	5 4.78	1.10	0.23

TABLE 5-A Frequency Distributions for Daily Returns (Forward Market)

	Intervals (in units of standard deviation from the mean)															
Štock No.	Company	<u>3.5</u>	3.5 to 3.0	3.0 to 2.5	2.5 to 2.0	to	1.5 to 1.0	to	0 —0.5 to 5 0.5	5 0.5 to 1.0	1.0 to 1.5	1.5 to 2.0	2.0 to 2.5	2.5 to 3.0	to	≥ 3.±
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)
5001 5010	Acec CBR	1 3	1 3	9 5	10 7	28 21	66 45	136 112	499 583	$\frac{111}{118}$	62 42	27 20	14 11	5 3	8 0	6 10
5012	Cockerill	3	3	8	13	30	67	131	464	128	71	41	10	8	3	3
5014	Cometra Oil	3	4	4	15	21	56	130	520	104	63	32	18	3	4	6
5016 5018	Electrobel EBES	7 2	2	4 5	11 7	26 24	60 55	104 145	534 502	111 141	65 59	27 16	16 13	5 7	7	4
5018	Fabr. Nat.	4	4	5	6	28	58	108	573	90	59 42	28	15	12	2	4 9
5026	Gevaert	2	4	6	11	18	72	150	493	111	46	33	18	7	5	7
5029	Interbrabant	ĩ	4	5	9	19	53	131	543	122	50	24	9	5	í	5
5030	Intercom	2	7	3	10	21	62	129	520	123	43	34	18	4	2	5
5036	M.H.S.	2	1	7	8	25	72	108	503	141	43	31	20	12	3	7
5040	Petrofina	3	3	5	17	25	49	124	505	119	67	36	16	5	4	5
5042 5053	Cobepa	2	0	10	9	30	46	126	529	105	70	24	12	8	6	6
5059	Sidro Tabacofina	3 4	2 4	5 7	10 13	25 17	45 52	130 120	558 571	114 89	43 51	21 24	8 16	7 6	3	9 6
5064	UCB	3	2	3	7	17	43	109	605	121	33	24 24	8	5	2	о 4
5066	Union Minière	3	ž	5	ý 9	22	56	166	478	119	56	34	14	11	ŝ	4
5072	Solvay	ō	6	4	12	17	49	131	536	128	48	26	12	7	3	4
5073	Electrafina	4	6	4	8	12	47	121	577	124	39	19	7	3	3	<u>9</u>
5081	Tessenderlo	7	4	5	10	20	36	100	588	115	50	20	13	7	3	5
5083	Traction et Elec.	3	3	9	9	21	61	130	495	126	66	35	11	5	3	6
5003 5015	ARBED De Beers	5	4	4	15	22	41 72	147 120	525	115	46	21	15	10	8	5
5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	5	3 2	6	14 17	28 34	62	120	497 451	118 164	64 63	23 28	17 10	10	1 2	4
5043	Philips	4	õ	2	12	23	70	129	503	104	69 69	28	10 14	4 11	3	5 2
5044	Pres. Brand	3	ŏ	<u>9</u>	14	22	53	143	486	131	60	29	15	7	6	5
5046	Boeing	1	1	4	10	<b>3</b> 9	78	146	422	139	79	35	19	5	3	2
5048	Rio Ťinto	5	4	7	4	19	67	153	496	116	57	27	11	9	4	4
5058	Stilfontein	1	3	3	13	23	67	160	440	134	67	38	16	9	4	5
	Average	3.24	2.90	5.52	10.69	23.24	57.24	130.0	517.10	120.59	55.66	27.55	13.62	6.90	3.48	5.38
	Expected frequency	0.23	1.10	4.78	16.26	43.30	90.28	147.33	3 376.40	147.33	90.28	<b>43.3</b> 0	16.26	4.78	1.10	0.23

## TABLE 6

# Estimates of Characteristic Exponents (Spot Market)

Stock		Oriç	ginal sa	mple	Sums of 2	Sums of 5	
No.	Company	.95	.96	.97	.96	.96	
3128	Acec	1.490	1.517	1.555	1.388	1.484	
3299	CBR	1.449	1.386	1.417	1.291	1.384	
3135	Cockerill	1.499	1.524	1.538	1.399	1.486	
3022	Cometra Oil	1.460	1.430	1.435	1.329	1.434	
3108	Electrobel	1.440	1.382	1.435	1.287	1.373	
3117	EBES	1.576	1.610	1.612	1.522	1.621	
3171	Fabr. Nat.	1.246	1.266	1.320	1.167	1.271	
3217	Gevaert	1.450	1.408	1.478	1.307	1.420	
3123	Interbrabant	1.505	1.512	1.576	1.426	1.536	
3124	Intercom	1.278	1.285	1.323	1.180	1.263	
3144	M.H.S.	1.466	1.430	1.485	1.338	1.440	
3441	Petrofina	1.497	1.514	1.558	1.413	1.539	
3484	Cobepa	1.503	1.537	1.573	1.428	1.533	
3109	Sidro	1.244	1.294	1.360	1.195	1.318	
3428	Tabacofina	1.445	1.398	1.469	1.318	1.437	
3235	UCB	1.491	1.480	1.508	1.373	1.476	
3209	Union Minière	1.468	1.473	1.520	1.371	1.468	
3470	Solvay	1.473	1.442	1.459	1.338	1.447	
3107	Electrafina	1.450	1.446	1.496	1.350	1.442	
3234	Tessenderlo	1.471	1.469	1.465	1.355	1.478	
3490	Traction et Elec.	1.473	1.459	1.496	1.353	1.445	
4000	ARBED	1.480	1.469	1.508	1.389	1.477	
4221	De Beers	1.451	1.431	1.485	1.327	1.431	
4049	Imperial Oil Ltd.	1.261	1.284	1.367	1.177	1.280	
4145	Philips	1.556	1.572	1.603	1.452	1.563	
4014	Pres. Brand	1.451	1.429	1.450	1.340	1.459	
4066	Boeing	1.714	1.746	1.755	1.636	1.701	
4118	Rio Tinto	1.515	1.548	1.621	1.450	1.542	
4020	Stilfontein	1.502	1.536	1.599	1.447	1.551	
	Average	1.459	1.458	1.499	1.357	1.459	

## TABLE 6-A

# Estimates of Characteristic Exponents (Forward Market)

Stock		Ori	ginal sa	mple	Sums of 2	Sums of 5	
No.	Company	.95	.96	.97	.96	.96	
5001	Acec	1.457	1.436	1.473	1.351	1.461	
5010	CBR	1.252	1.289	1.340	1.190	1.279	
5012	Cockerill	1.566	1.595	1.638	1.493	1.587	
5014	Cometra Oil	1.455	1.429	1.450	1.322	1.421	
5016	Electrobel	1 <b>.430</b>	1.382	1.428	1.289	1.402	
5018	EBES	1.606	1.594	1.594	1.501	1.609	
5019	Fabr. Nat.	1.186	1.231	1.296	1.129	1.249	
5026	Gevaert	1.447	1.408	1.457	1.305	1.417	
5029	Interbrabant	1.503	1.529	1.575	1.378	1.442	
5030	Intercom	1.464	1.436	1.507	1.353	1.464	
5036	M.H.S.	1. <b>463</b>	1.456	1.502	1.354	1.447	
<b>504</b> 0	Petrofina	1.477	1.458	1.517	1.354	1.456	
5042	Cobepa	1.443	1.382	1.449	1.288	1.416	
5053	Sidro	1.415	1.322	1.375	1.230	1.347	
5059	Tabacofina	1.192	1.226	1.263	1.134	1.244	
5064	UCB	1.422	1.321	1.377	1.216	1.324	
5066	Union Minière	1.565	1.584	1.588	1.492	1.581	
5072	Solvay	1.473	1.442	1.474	1.335	1.459	
5073	Electrafina	1.447	1.381	1.408	1.288	1.395	
5081	Tessenderlo	1.256	1.282	1.319	1.183	1.294	
5083	Traction et Elec.	1.5 <del>4</del> 9	1.549	1.596	1.446	1.551	
5003	ARBED	1.452	1.405	1.438	1.317	1.418	
5015	De Beers	1.468	1.419	1.483	1.324	1.420	
5028	Imperial Oil Ltd.	1.607	1.629	1.665	1.488	1.574	
5043	Philips	1.555	1.575	1.578	1.474	1 <b>.5</b> 6 <b>8</b>	
5044	Pres. Brand	1.493	1.489	1.525	1.387	1.482	
5046	Boeing	1.710	1.716	1.77 <del>4</del>	1.615	1.727	
5048	Rio Tinto	1.568	1.575	1.626	1.470	1 <b>.54</b> 0	
5058	Stilfontein	1.658	1.694	1.686	1.596	1.672	
	Average	1.468	1.456	1.497	1.355	1.457	