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DEGREE

- 1989 "Thèse de Doctorat" (PhD) in Mathematics (Montpellier, Advisor : A. BERLINET)
- 1997 "Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches" (tenure) (Lille I; Examining board : A. Berlinet, D. Bosq, Y. Davydov, C. Gouriéroux, B. Massé, G. Mélard, X. Milhaud; M.-C. Viano)

POSITION

- Assistant Professor at the University Lille I, Laboratory of Statistic and Probability, from 1990 to September 1998
- Full Professor of Mathematics at the University Littoral-Côte d'Opale, Laboratory LMPA Joseph Liouville, from September 1998 to September 2002, and at the University Charles-de-Gaulle Lille3, Laboratory EQUIPPE-GREMARS, since September 2002
- In 2010-2011, CNRS delegation at the laboratory GRECSTA, UMR2773 located at CREST, Paris.
- Since September 2011, on secondment at ENSAE-CREST, Paris.

TEACHING Data analysis, econometrics, probability, statistics, time series, risk measure (see my web page <http://perso.univ-lille3.fr/~cfrancq/> for details).

RESEARCH

Research interests : Time Series Analysis, Statistics, Econometrics and Finance.

PUBLICATIONS

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- 1- FRANCO, C. and THIEU, L. Q. Qml inference for volatility models with covariates. *Econometric Theory*, 1-36, 2018.
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- 9- AHMAD, A. and FRANCO, C. Poisson QMLE of count time series models. *Journal of Time Series Analysis* 37, 291–314, 2016.
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- 13- DUCHESNE, P. and FRANCO, C. On testing for the mean vector of a multivariate distribution with generalized and $\{2\}$ -inverses. *Statistics* 49, 475-496, 2015.
- 14- FRANCO, C., HORVÁTH, L. and ZAKOIAN, J-M. Variance targeting estimation of multivariate GARCH models. *Journal of Financial Econometrics* 14, 353–382, 2014.
- 15- FRANCO, C. and ZAKOIAN, J-M. Inference in non stationary asymmetric GARCH models, *Annals of Statistics* 41, 70-98, 2013.
- 16- FRANCO, C., WINTENBERGER, O. and and ZAKOIAN, J-M. Garch models without positivity constraints : exponential or log garch ? *Journal of Econometrics* 177, 34-46, 2013.
- 17- FRANCO, C. and ZAKOIAN, J-M. Estimating the marginal law of a time series with applications to heavy tailed distributions *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics* 31, 412-425, 2013.
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