

Simulation of Diversified Portfolios in a Continuous Financial Market

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Benchmark Approach

Pl. & Heath (2006)

- Diversification Theorem
well diversified portfolio approximates numeraire portfolio
- growth optimal portfolio equals numeraire portfolio, Long (1990)
- benchmark in portfolio optimization
- numeraire in derivative pricing

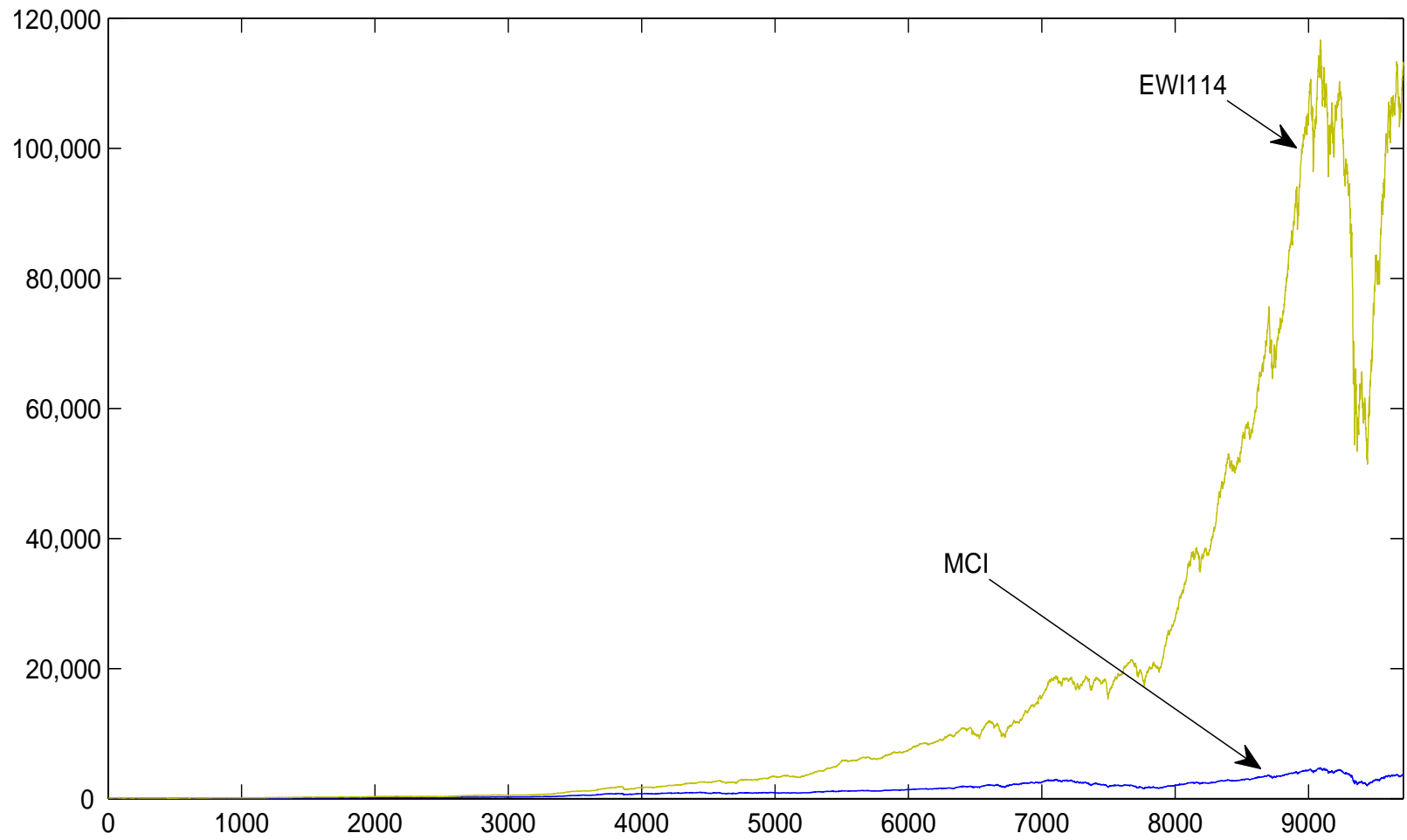


Figure 1: EWI114 and MCI.

Supermartingale Property

Assume numeraire portfolio $S_{t_n}^{\delta^*}$ as benchmark s.t.

for all nonnegative portfolios $S_{t_n}^{\delta}$

$$\frac{S_{t_n}^{\delta}}{S_{t_n}^{\delta^*}} = \hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta} \geq E_{t_n} \left(\hat{S}_{t_{n+1}}^{\delta} \right)$$

S^{δ^*} - best performing portfolio, numeraire portfolio, growth optimal

Kelly (1956), Long (1990), Becherer (2001), Pl. (2002),

Bühlmann & Pl. (2003), Pl. & Heath (2006), Karatzas & Kardaras (2007)

- **Benchmarked numeraire portfolio**

$$\hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta_*} = 1 \implies$$

$$\frac{\hat{S}_{t_{n+1}}^{\delta_*} - \hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta_*}}{\hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta_*}} = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

- approximate \hat{S}^{δ_*}
strictly positive

- sequence of strictly positive, benchmarked portfolios

$$\left(\hat{S}^{\delta_\ell} \right)_{\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots\}}$$

with $\hat{S}_0^{\delta_\ell} = 1$

is a sequence of **approximate numeraire portfolios**

if for $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} P_{t_n} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t_{n+1} - t_n}} \left| \frac{\hat{S}_{t_{n+1}}^{\delta_\ell} - \hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta_\ell}}{\hat{S}_{t_n}^{\delta_\ell}} \right| \geq \varepsilon \right) = 0$$

for all $n \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$

- financial market is **semi-regular** if for all $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} P \left(\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ell}} \sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \sigma_{t_n}^{j,k} \right| \geq \varepsilon \right) = 0$$

for all $k \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ and $n \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$

Diversification Theorem:

**In a semi-regular market each sequence of EWIs
is a sequence of approximate numeraire portfolios.**

Pl. (2005), Pl. & Rendek (2009)

Numeraire portfolio has only non-diversifiable risk!

Equally Weighted Index

EWI

$$\pi_{\delta_{\text{EWI},t}}^j = \frac{1}{d}$$

$$j \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$$

Inverse Transform Method

- random variable Y - distribution function F_Y
- uniformly distributed random variable $0 < U < 1$
 F_Y distributed random variable $y(U)$

$$U = F_Y(y(U))$$

$$y(U) = F_Y^{-1}(U)$$

More generally

$$y(U) = \inf\{y : U \leq F_Y(y)\}$$

Transition Density of a Matrix SR-process

$d \times m$ matrix

$$p(s, X; t, Y) = \frac{p_\delta \left(\varphi(s), \frac{X}{s_s}; \varphi(t), \frac{Y}{s_t} \right)}{s_t}$$

- φ -time

$$\varphi(t) = \varphi(0) + \frac{\bar{b}^2}{4\bar{c} s_0} (1 - \exp\{-\bar{c} t\})$$

$$s_t = s_0 \exp\{\bar{c} t\} \text{ for } t \in [0, \infty), s_0 > 0, \bar{c} < 0 \text{ and } \bar{b} \neq 0$$

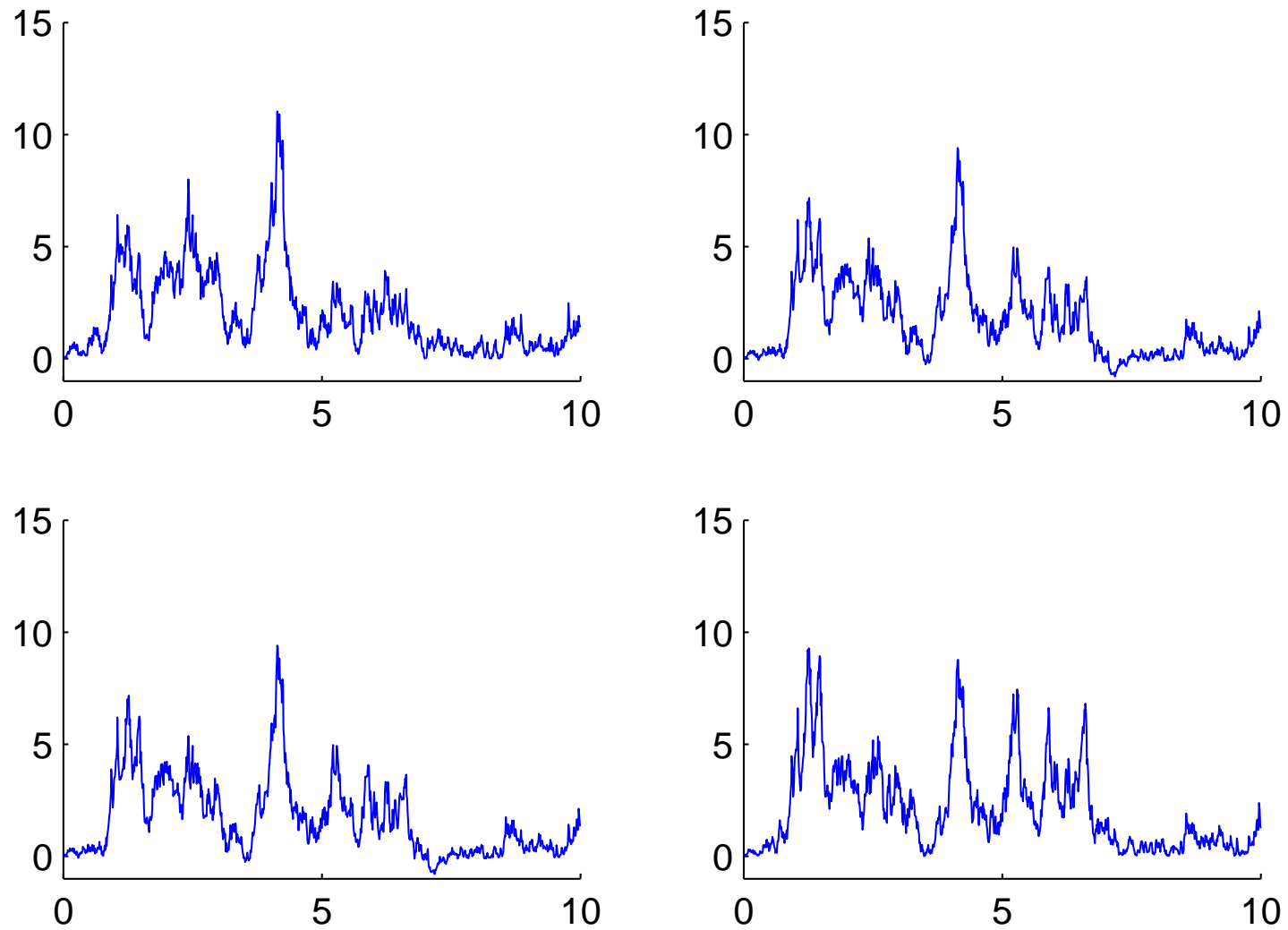


Figure 2: Matrix valued square root process

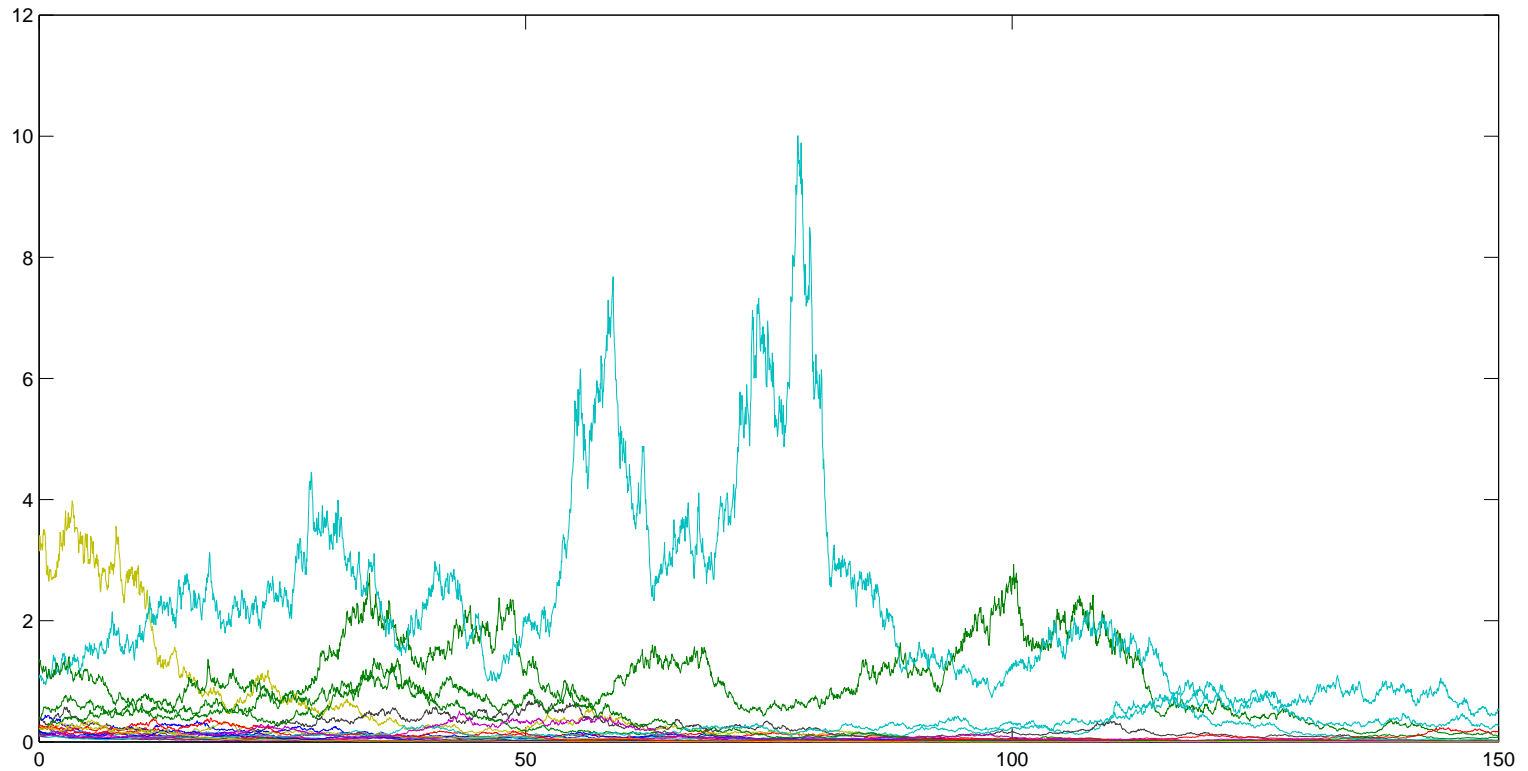


Figure 3: Simulated benchmarked primary security accounts under the Black-Scholes model

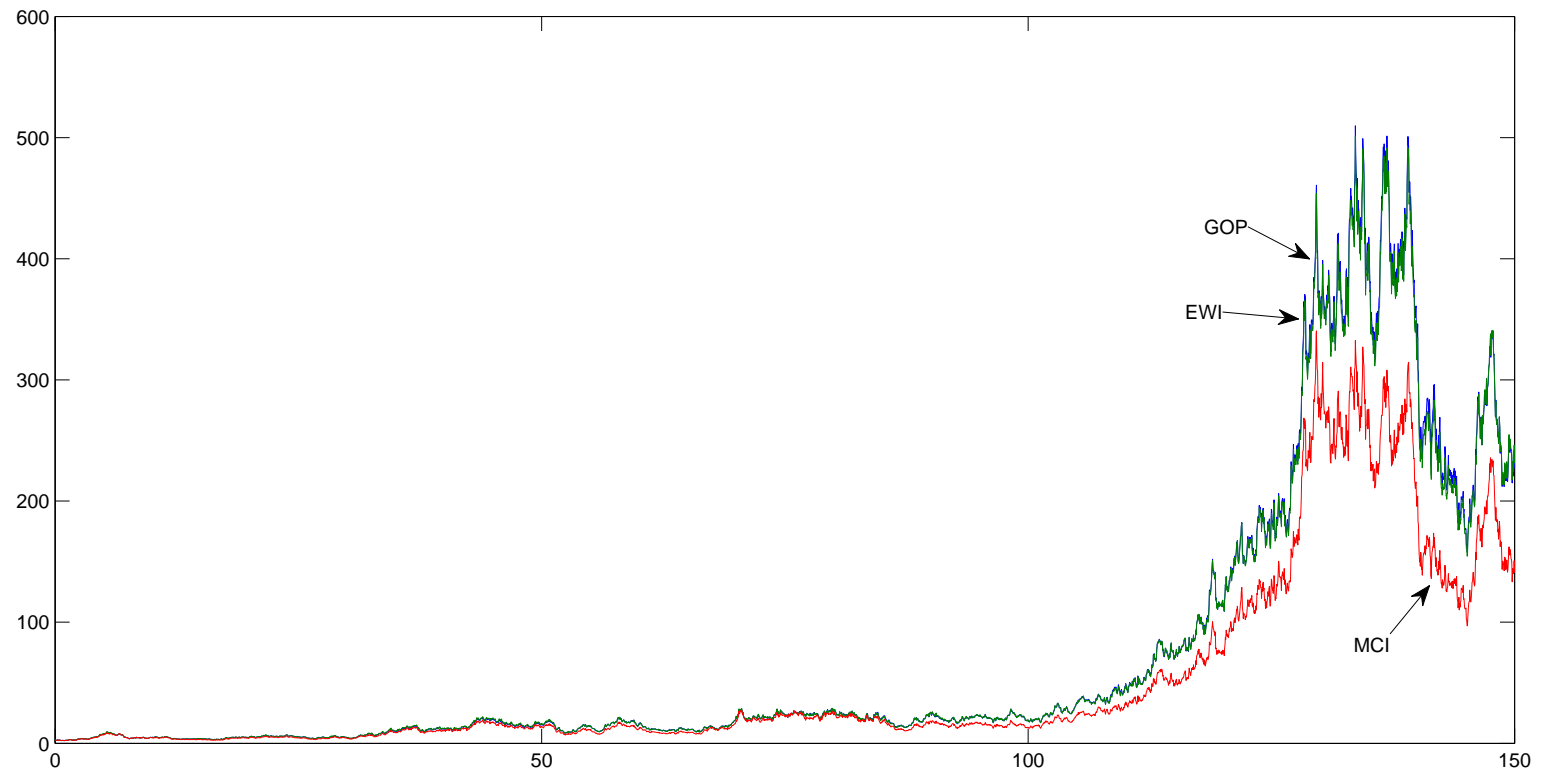


Figure 4: Simulated GOP, EWI and MCI under the Black-Scholes model

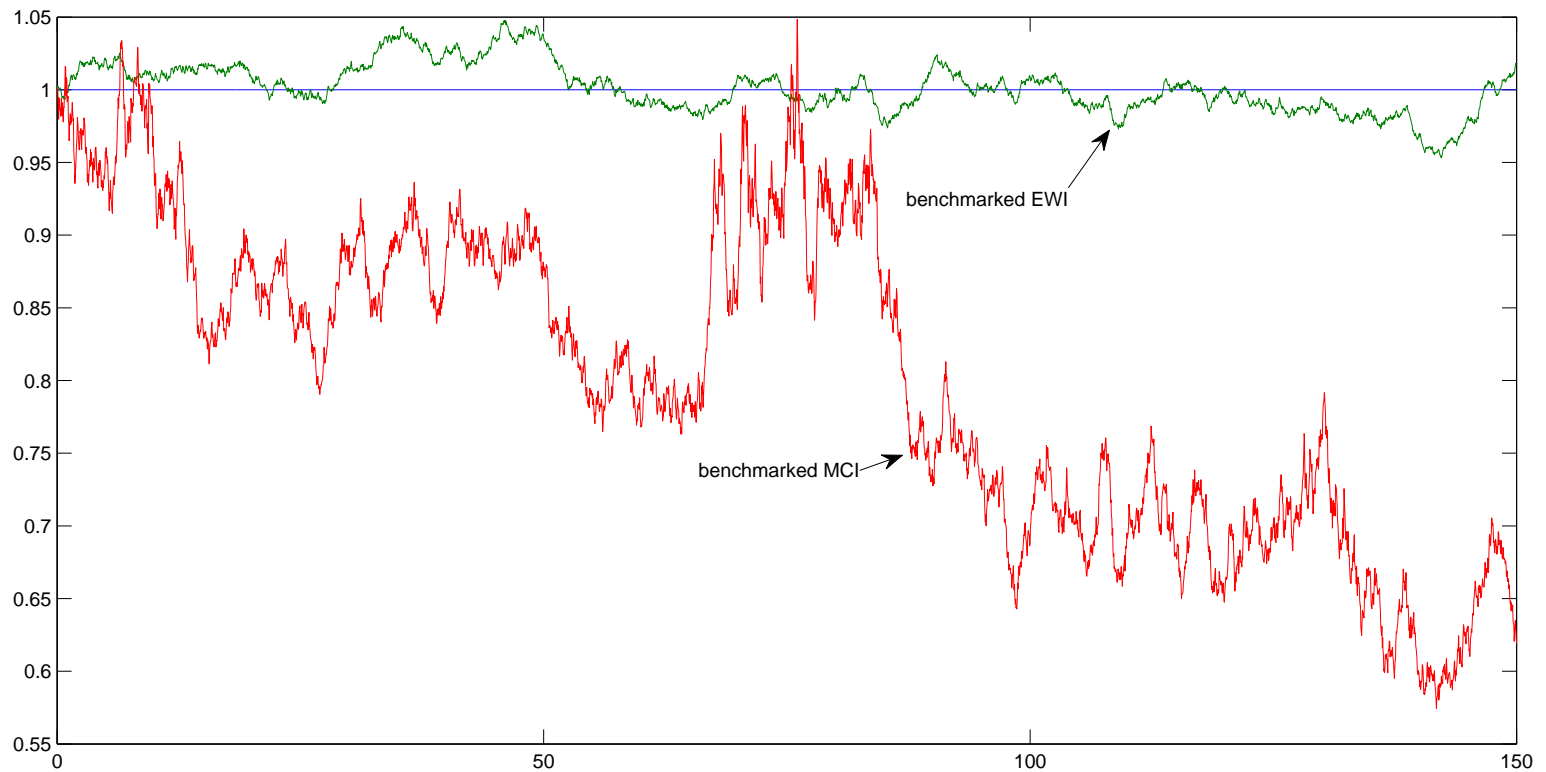


Figure 5: Simulated benchmarked GOP, EWI and MCI under the Black-Scholes model

Multi-asset Heston Model

Heston (1993)

- **matrix SDEs**

$$d\hat{S}_t = \text{diag} \left(\sqrt{V_t} \right) \text{diag} \left(\hat{S}_t \right) \left(A d\tilde{W}_t^1 + B d\tilde{W}_t^2 \right)$$

$$dV_t = (a - EV_t) dt + F \text{diag} \left(\sqrt{V_t} \right) d\tilde{W}_t^1$$

$$\hat{S}_t = (\hat{S}_t^0, \hat{S}_t^1, \dots, \hat{S}_t^d)^\top$$

- **independent** vectors of correlated Wiener processes

$$\tilde{W}_t^k = C^k W_t^k$$

- exact simulation in Broadie & Kaya (2006) (complicated, slow)
- simplified almost exact simulation Pl. & Rendek (2010)
- **squared volatility** $V_{t_{i+1}}^j$
sampling directly from the noncentral chi-square distribution
exact
- **almost exact simulation**

$$X_t = \ln(\hat{S}_t)$$

- log-asset price

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{t_{i+1}}^j &= X_{t_i}^j + \frac{\varrho_j}{\gamma_j} \left(V_{t_{i+1}}^j - V_{t_i}^j - a_j \Delta \right) + \left(\frac{\varrho_j \kappa_j}{\gamma_j} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} V_u^j du \\
 &\quad + \sqrt{1 - \varrho_j^2} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \sqrt{V_u^j} dW_u^{2,j}
 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \sqrt{V_u^j} dW_u^{2,j}$$

conditionally Gaussian:

mean zero, variance $\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} V_u^j du$

- approximate

$$\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} V_u^j du$$

- **trapezoidal rule**

$$\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} V_u^j du \approx \frac{\Delta}{2} (V_{t_i}^j + V_{t_{i+1}}^j)$$

\implies

$$\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \sqrt{V_u^j} dW_u^{2,j} \approx \mathcal{N} \left(0, \frac{\Delta}{2} (V_{t_i}^j + V_{t_{i+1}}^j) \right)$$

achieved with high accuracy

efficient almost exact simulation technique

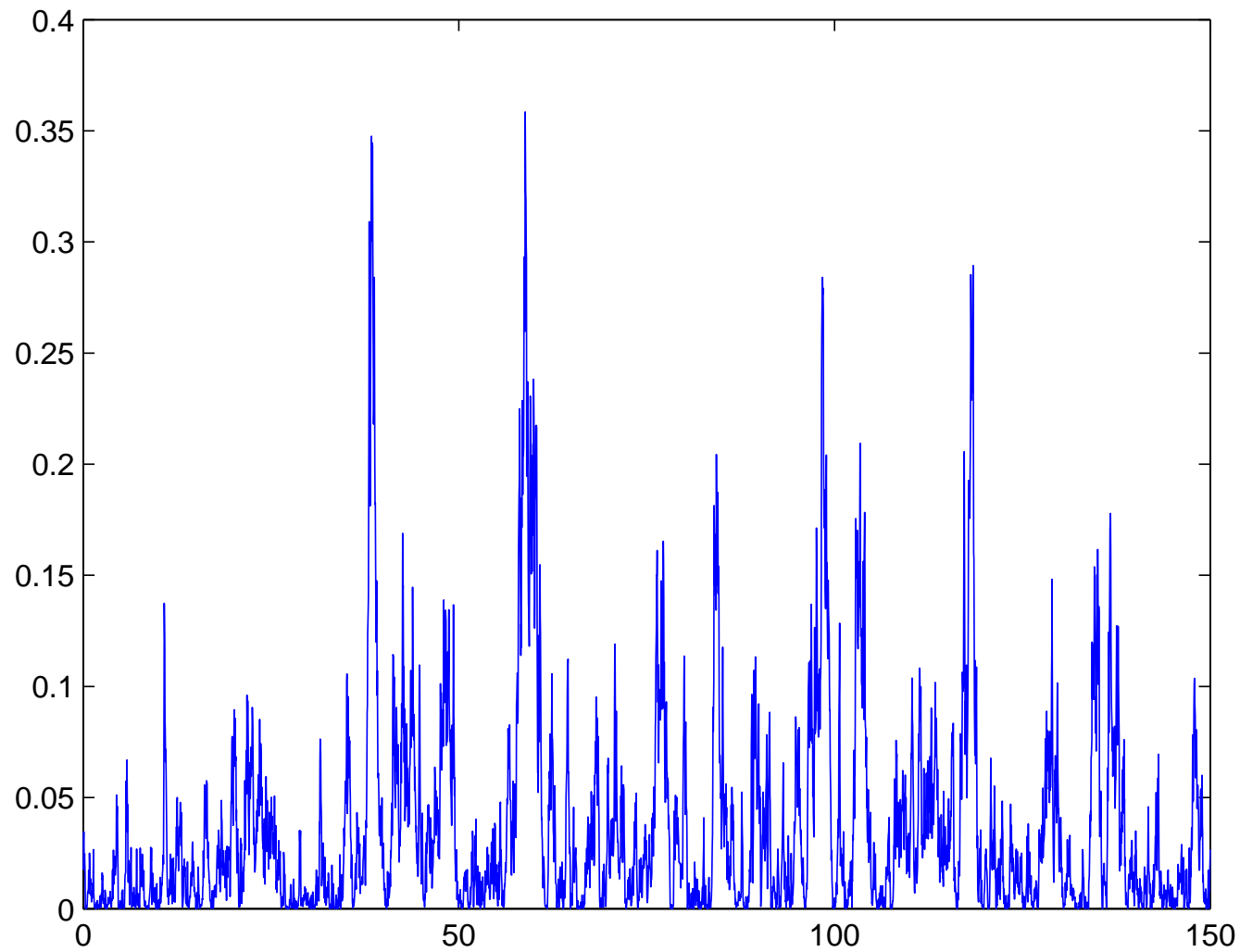


Figure 6: Simulated squared volatility under the Heston model

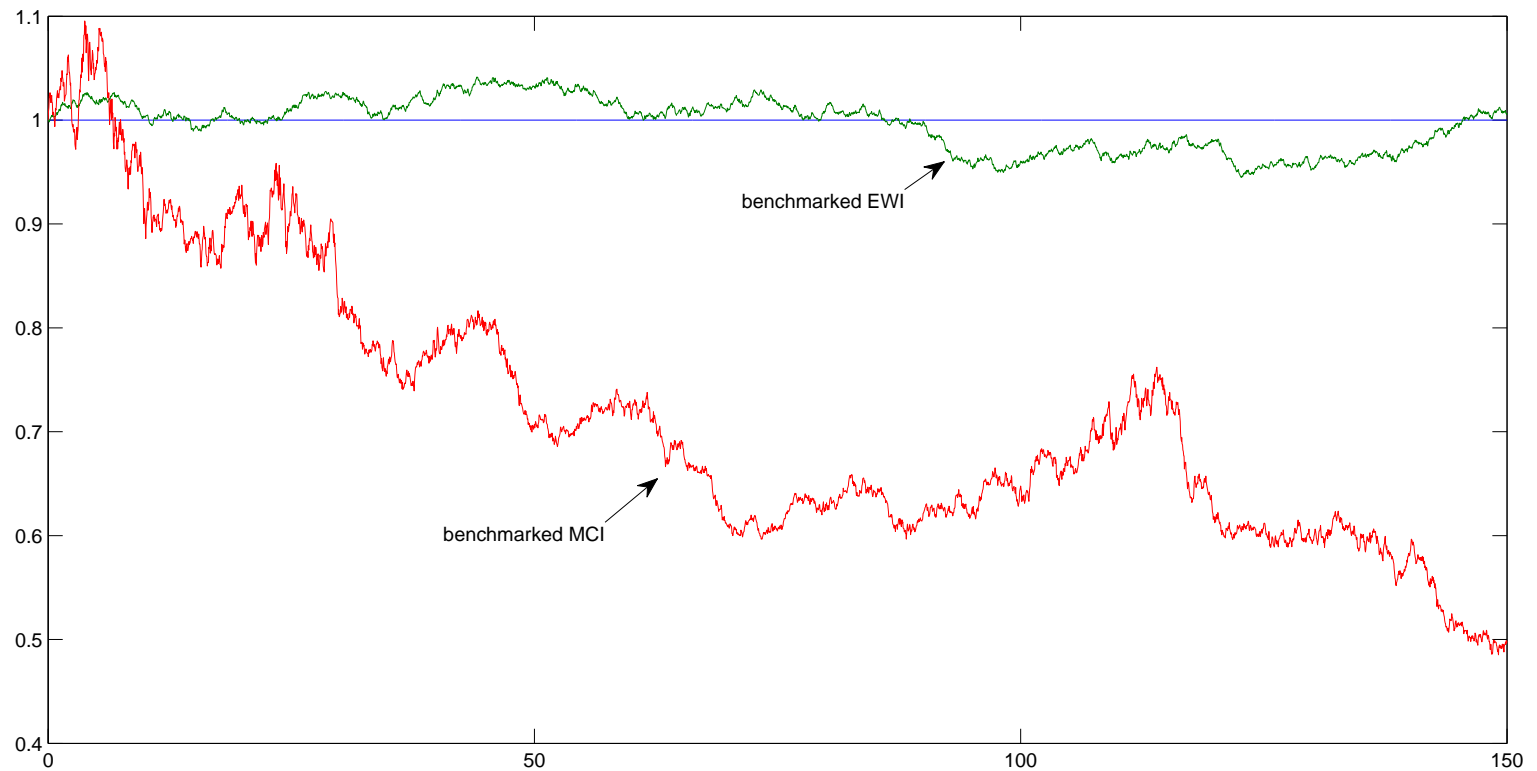


Figure 7: Simulated benchmarked GOP, EWI and MCI under the Heston model

Multi-asset ARCH-diffusion Model

Nelson (1990), Frey (1997)

$$\begin{aligned}d\hat{S}_t &= \text{diag} \left(\sqrt{V_t} \right) \text{diag} \left(\hat{S}_t \right) \left(A d\tilde{W}_t^1 + B d\tilde{W}_t^2 \right) \\dV_t &= (a - EV_t) dt + F \text{diag} (V_t) d\tilde{W}_t^1\end{aligned}$$

- squared volatility

$$\begin{aligned}V_{t_{i+1}}^j &= \exp \left\{ \left(-\kappa_j - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_j^2 \right) t_{i+1} + \gamma_j W_{t_{i+1}}^{1,j} \right\} \\&= \times \left(V_{t_0}^j + a_j \sum_{k=0}^i \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \exp \left\{ \left(\kappa_j + \frac{1}{2} \gamma_j^2 \right) s - \gamma_j W_s^{1,j} \right\} ds \right)\end{aligned}$$

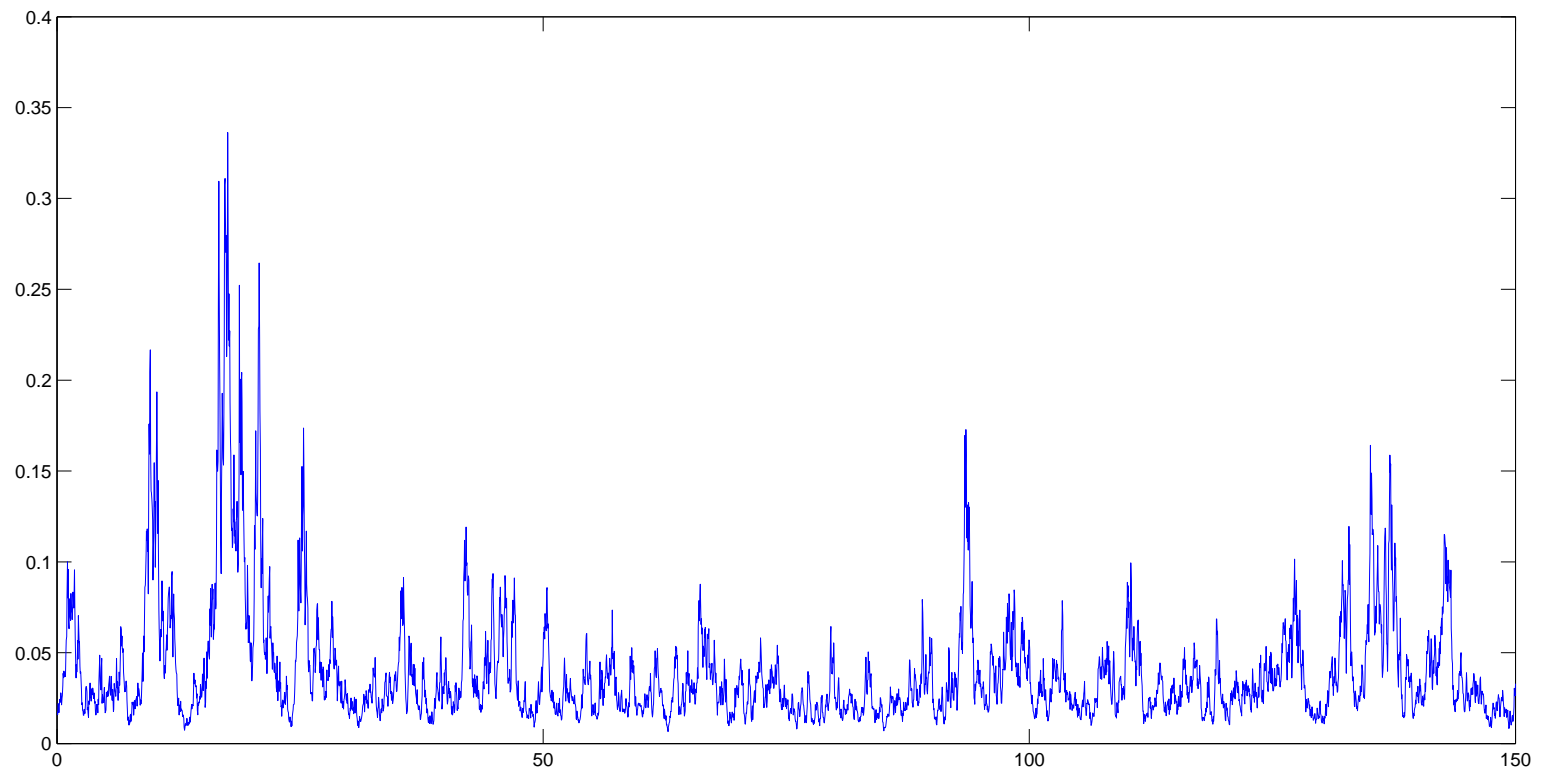


Figure 8: Simulated squared volatility under the ARCH-diffusion model

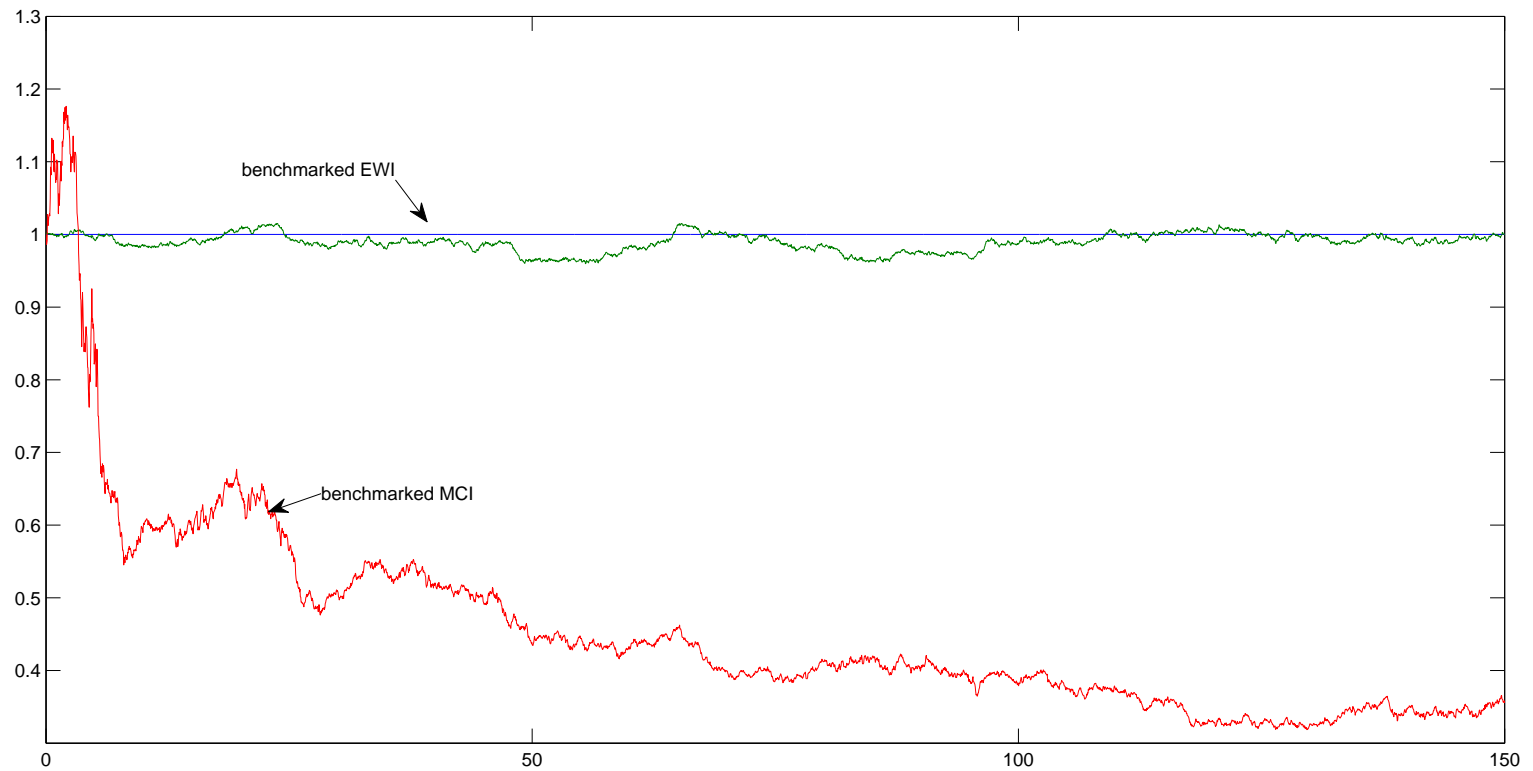


Figure 9: Simulated benchmarked GOP, EWI and MCI under the ARCH-diffusion model

Geometric Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Volatility Model

$$d\hat{S}_t = \text{diag}(\exp\{V_t\}) \text{diag}(\hat{S}_t) \left(Ad\tilde{W}_t^1 + Bd\tilde{W}_t^2 \right)$$

$$dV_t = (a - EV_t) dt + Fd\tilde{W}_t^1$$

simulation for $\exp\{V^j\}$ exact

log-asset price as before

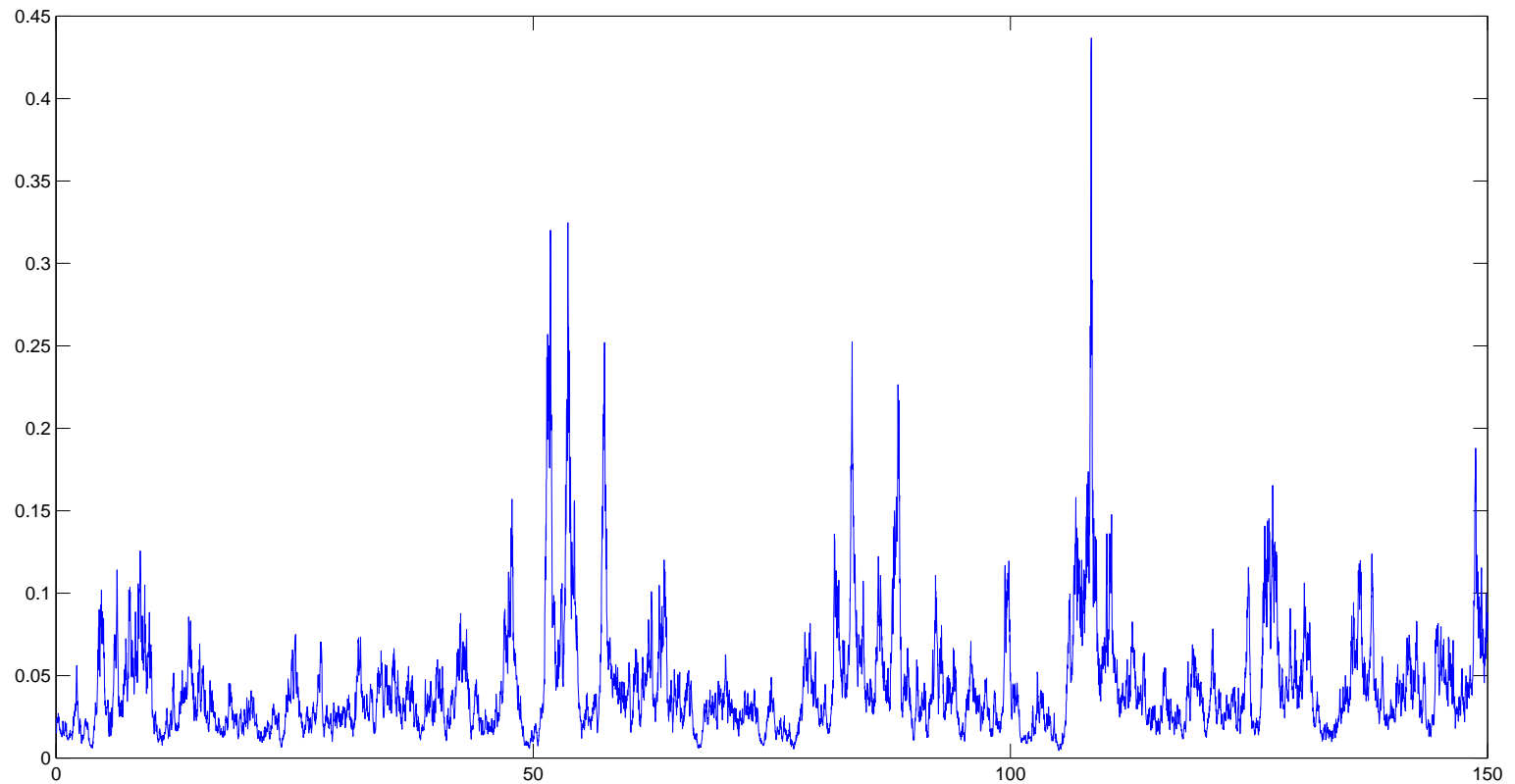


Figure 10: Simulated squared volatility under the geometric Ornstein-Uhlenbeck volatility model

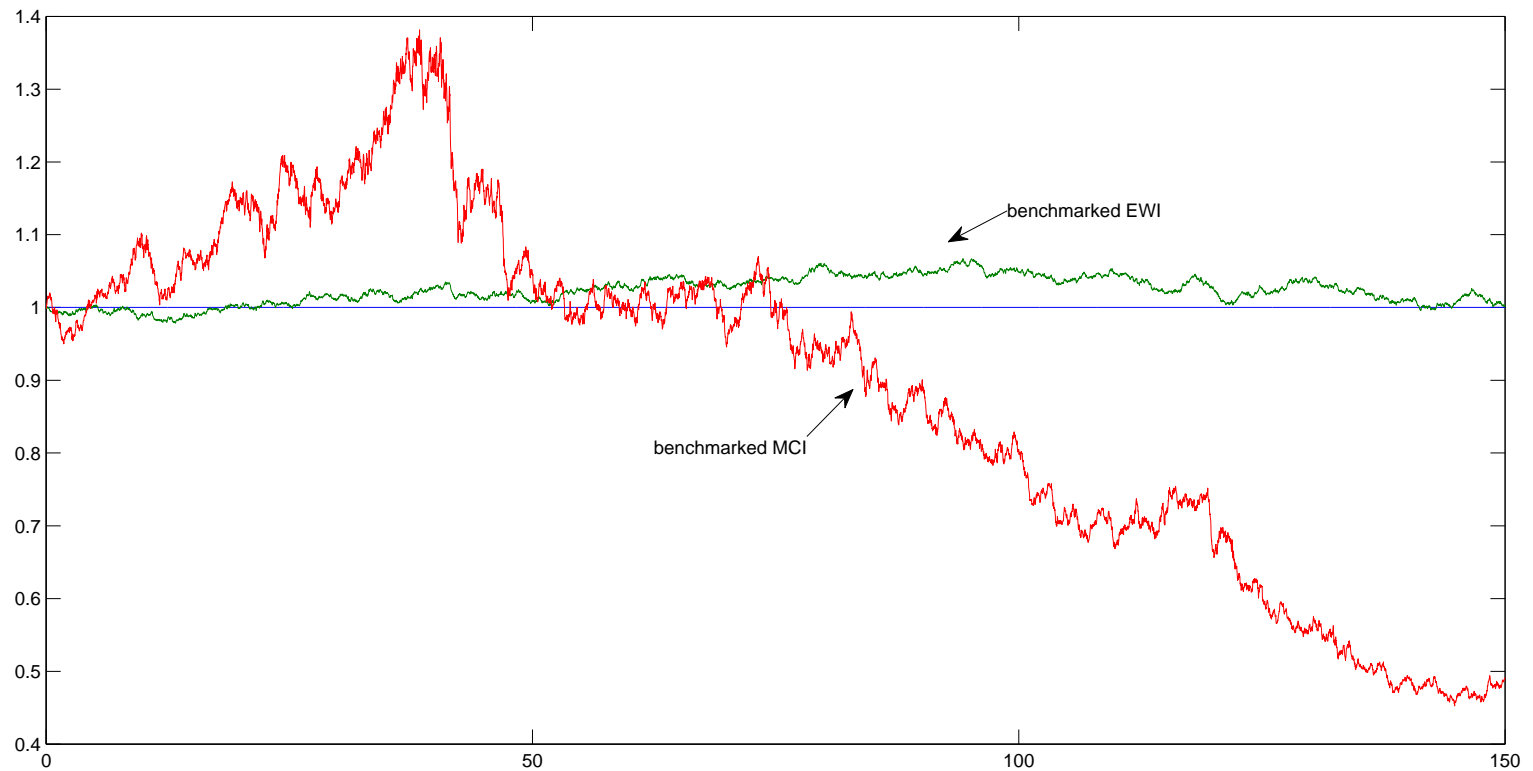


Figure 11: Simulated benchmarked GOP, EWI and MCI under the geometric Ornstein-Uhlenbeck volatility model

Minimal Market Model

Pl. (2001), Pl. & Heath (2006)

- φ -time

$$\varphi^j(t) = \frac{\alpha_0^j}{4\eta^j} \exp\{\eta^j t\}$$

- benchmarked primary security account

$$d\hat{S}^j(\varphi^j(t)) = -2 \left(\hat{S}^j(\varphi^j(t)) \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} d\bar{W}^j(\varphi^j(t))$$

strict supermartingale

$$\hat{S}^j(\varphi^j(t_{i+1})) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^4 \left(w^k + \bar{W}_{t_{i+1}}^{k,j} \right)^2}$$

exact simulation

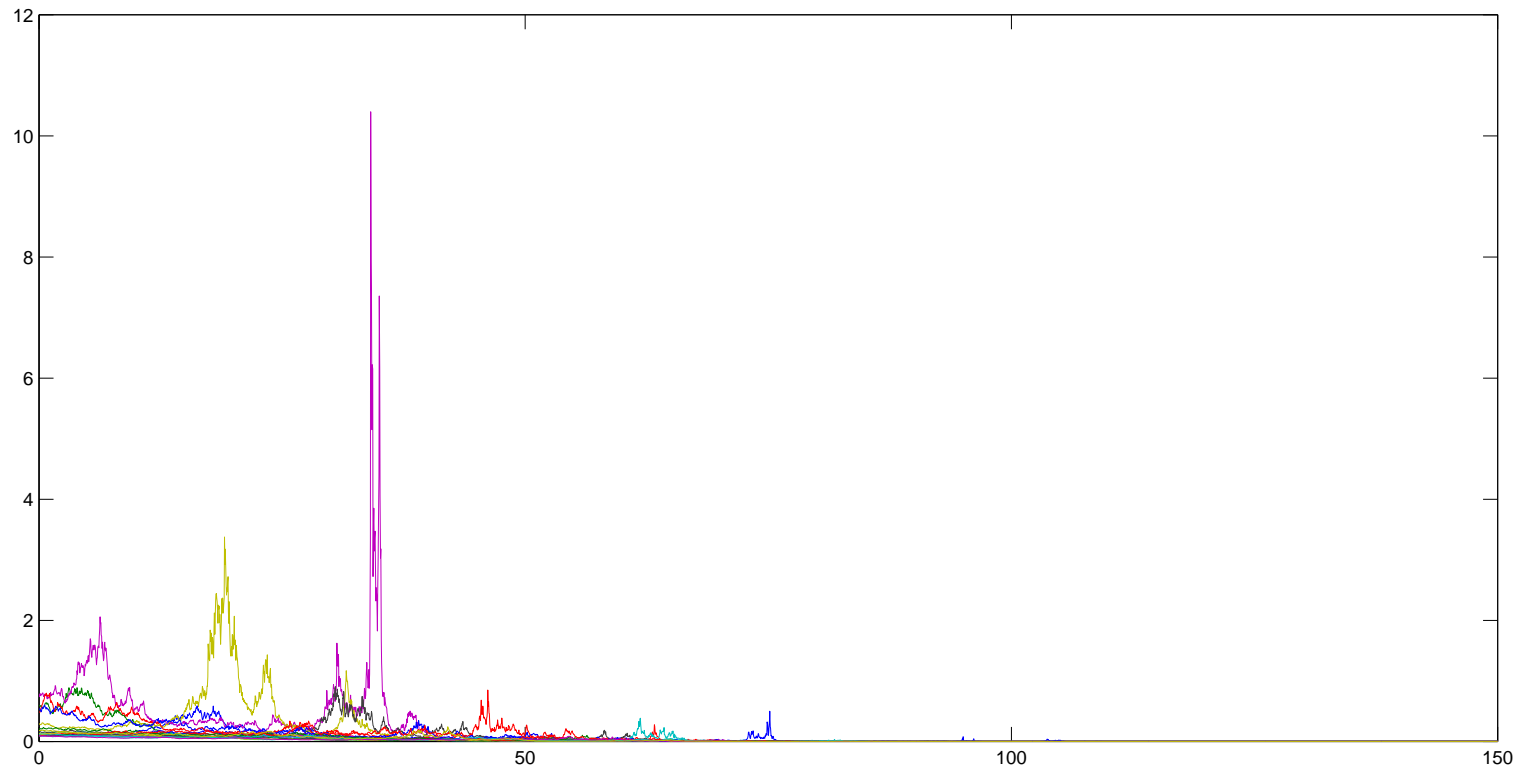


Figure 12: Simulated benchmarked primary security accounts under the MMM

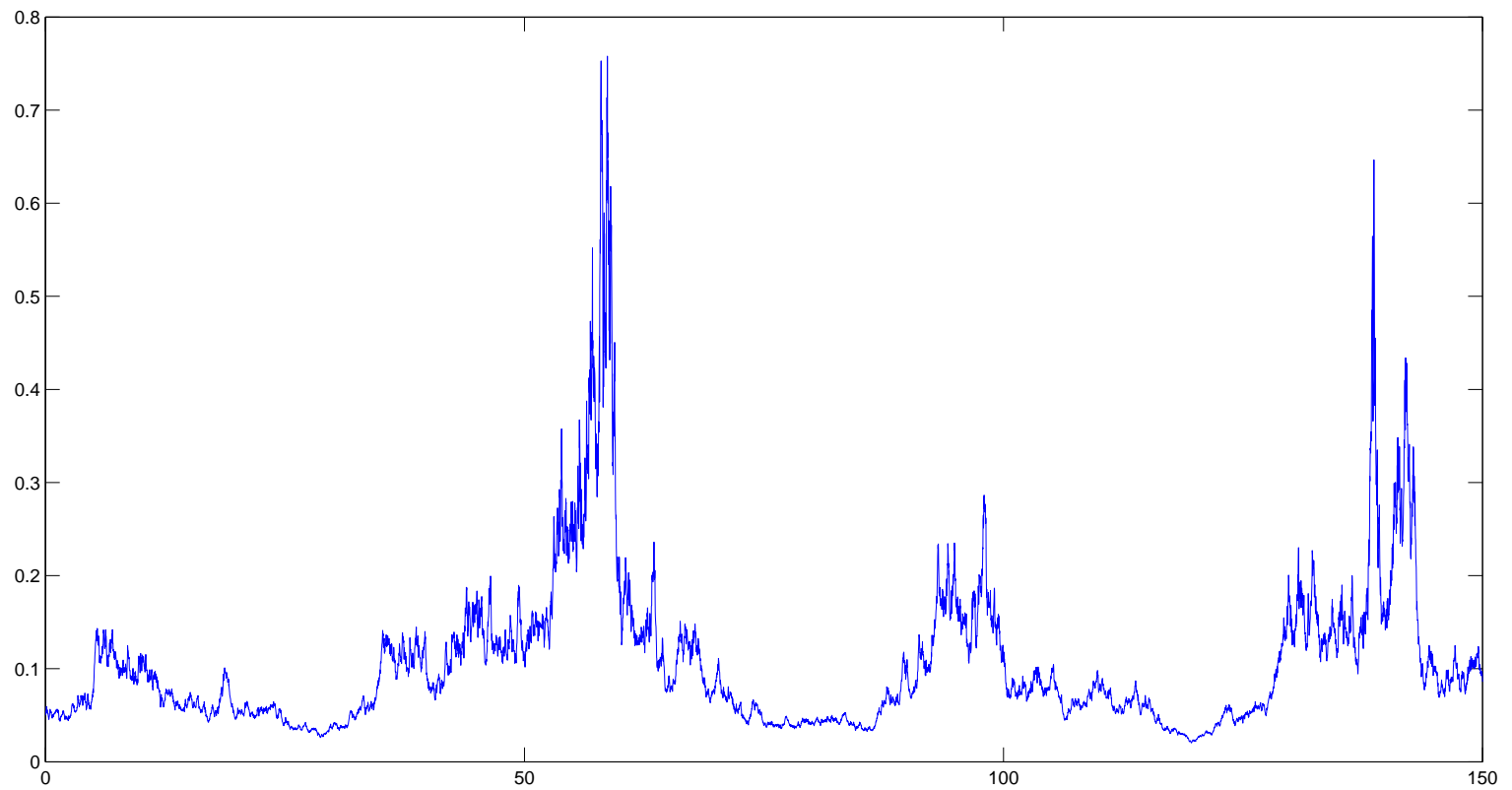


Figure 13: Simulated squared volatility under the MMM

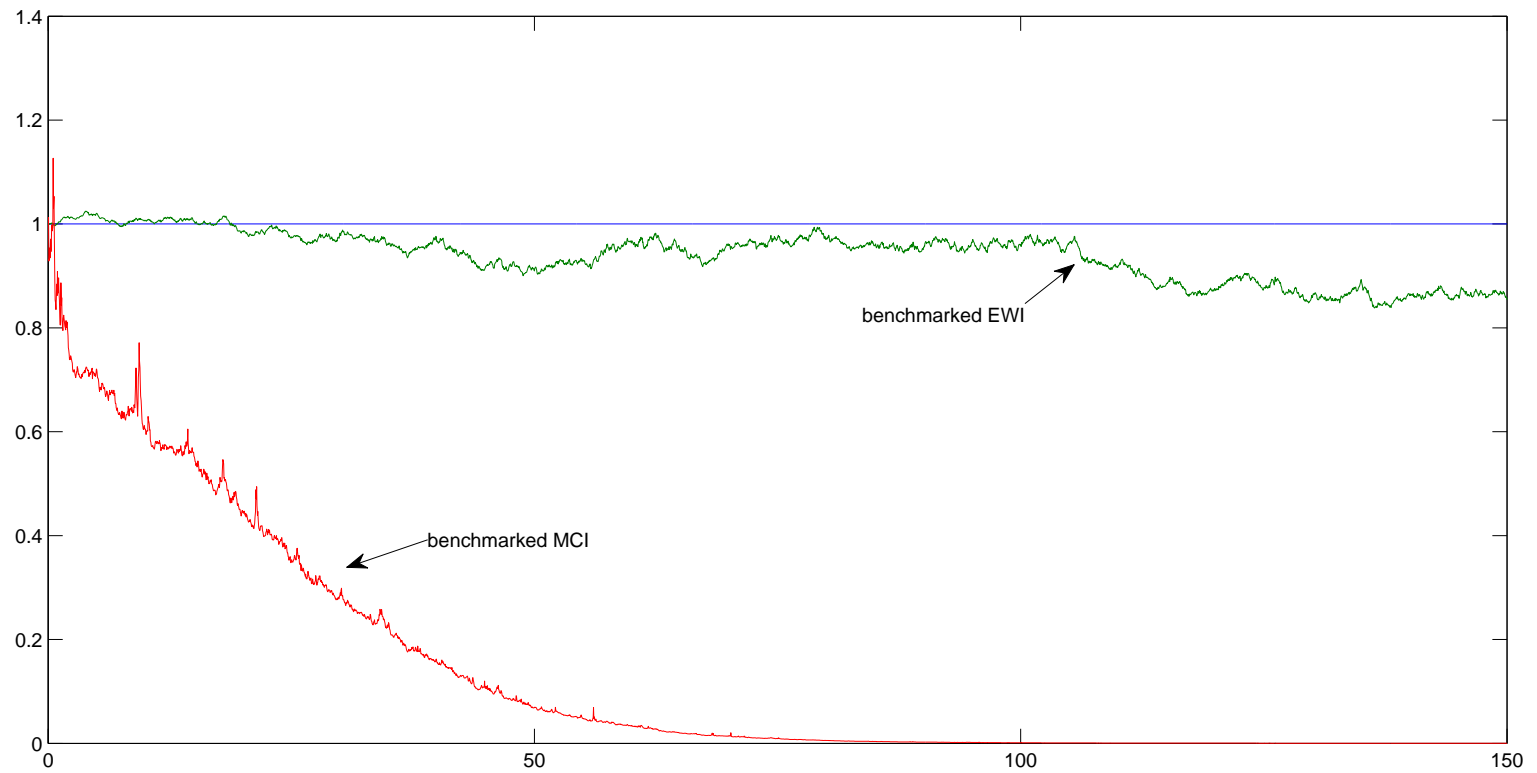


Figure 14: Simulated benchmarked GOP, EWI and MCI under the MMM model

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