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A Shape Restricted Nonparametric Method with Financial Applications

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ABSTRACT

In economics theory, many financial objects are assumed to follow stationary processes. Our empirical study supports assumptions that some financial processes have unimodal stationary distributions. This paper extends results from Rao (1969), and the asymptotic properties of Grenander MLE are studied under the new setting of stationarity. Financial applications of the method are demonstrated with the SP500 equity index.