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**Managing Diversification**

**COMMON MEASURES OF DIVERSIFICATION**

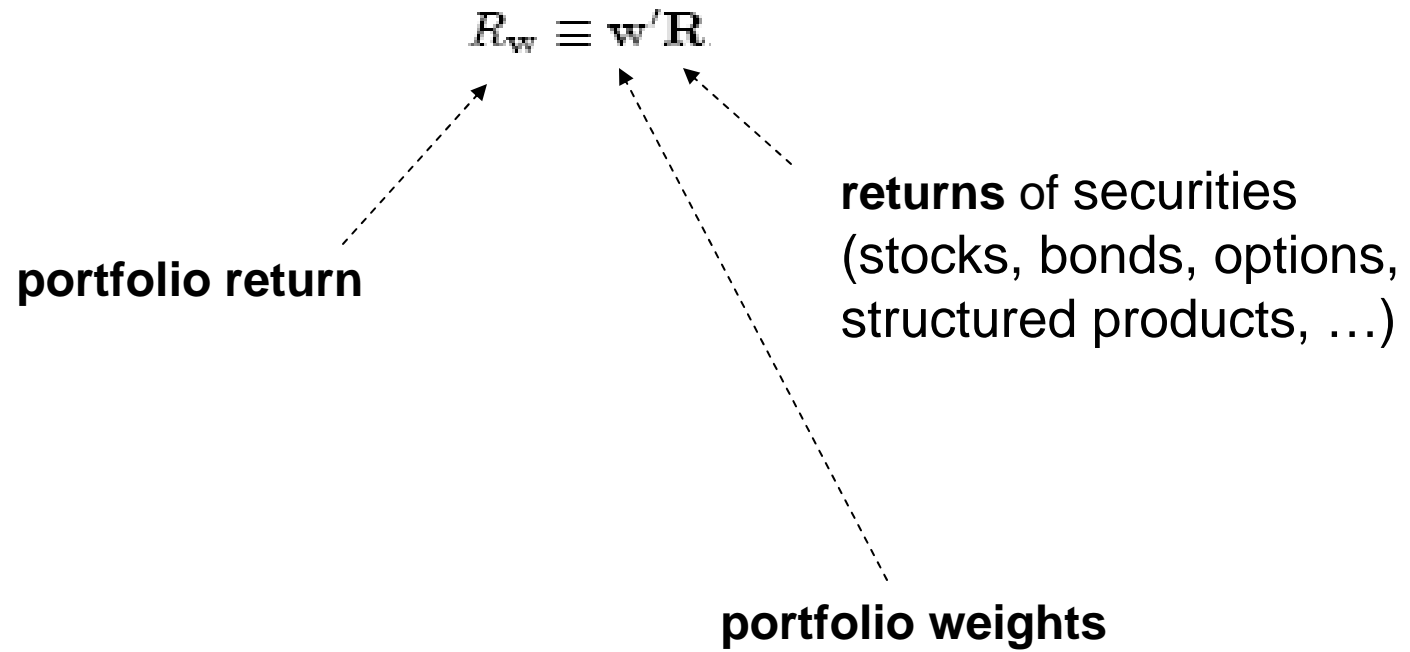
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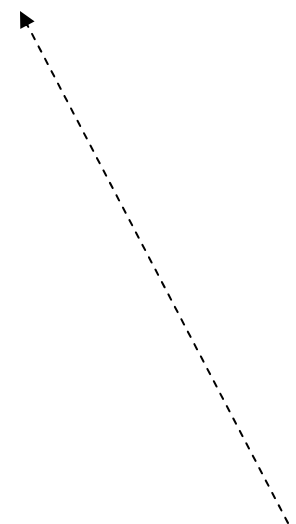
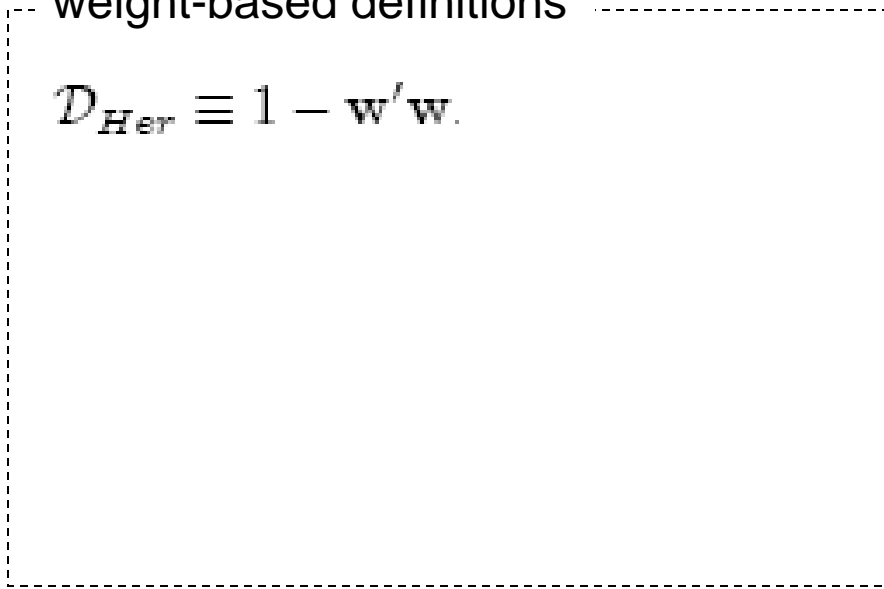
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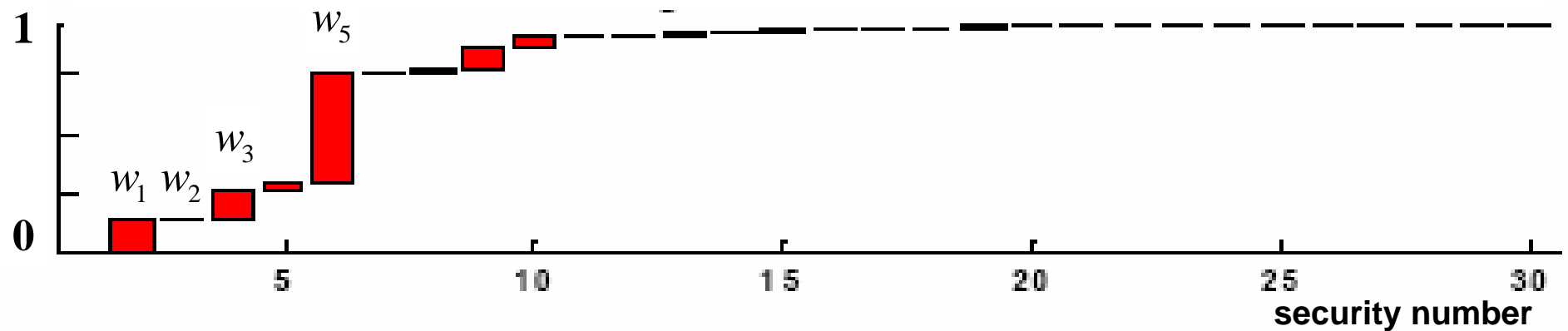
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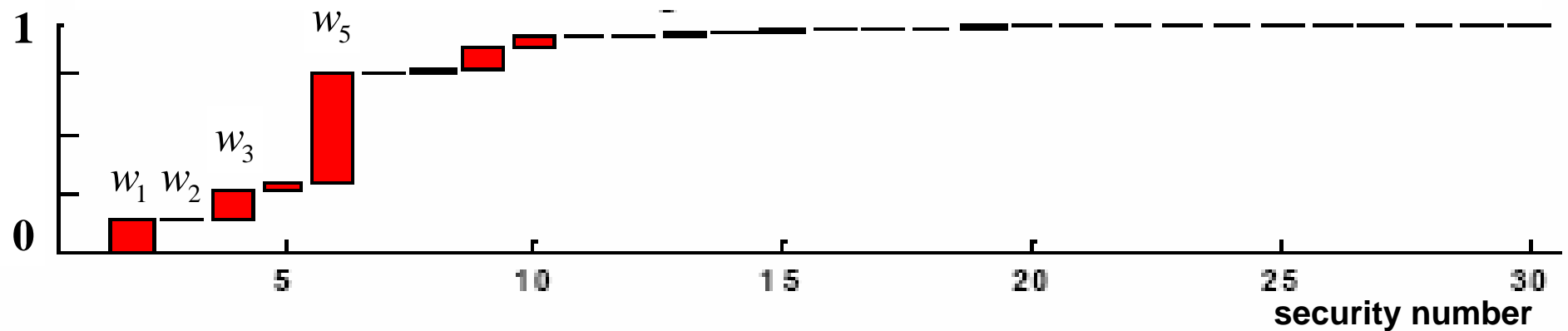
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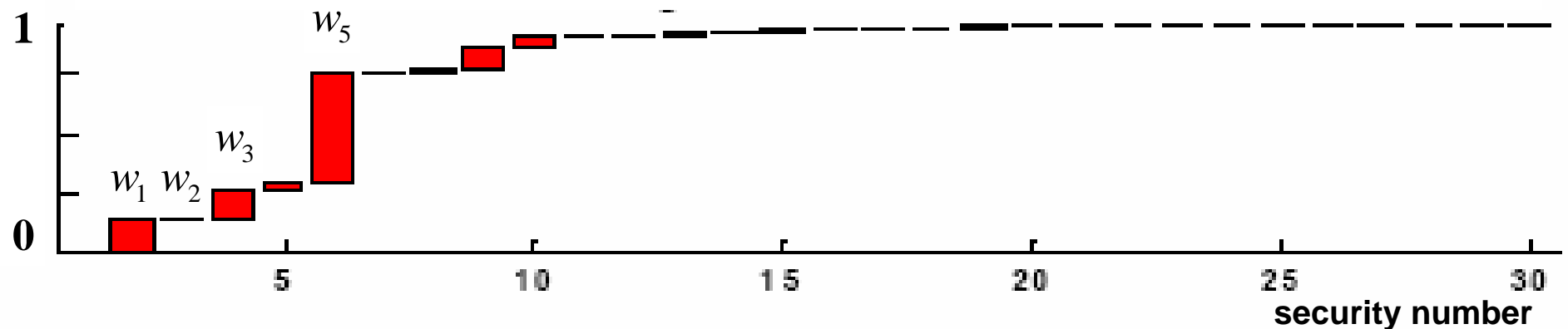
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**These definitions apply in specific circumstances and or under restrictive hypotheses**

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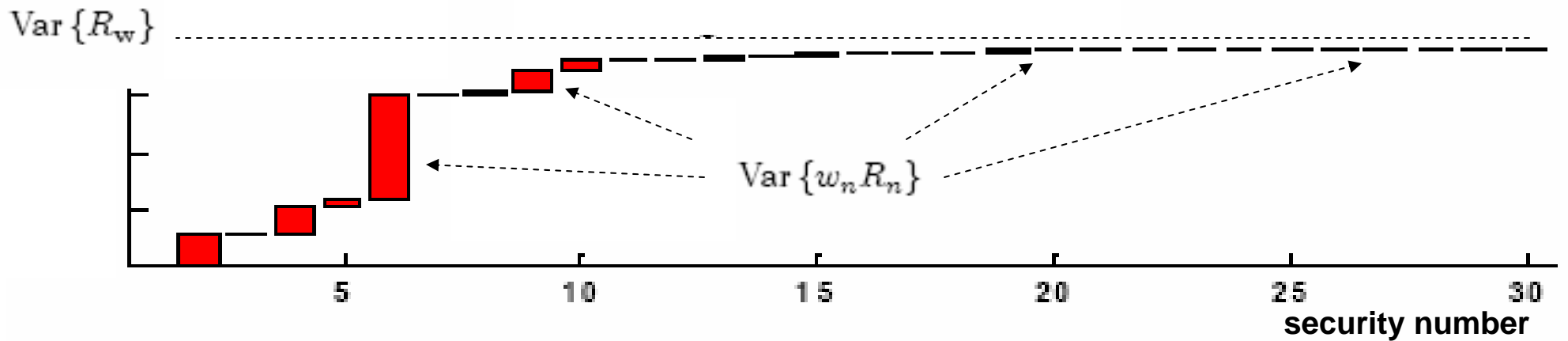
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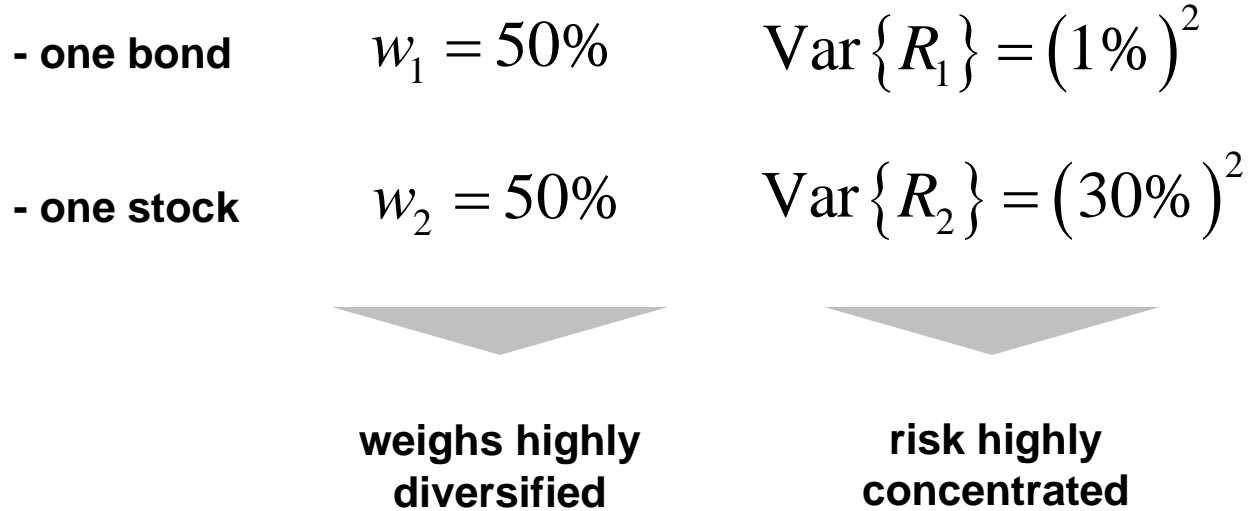
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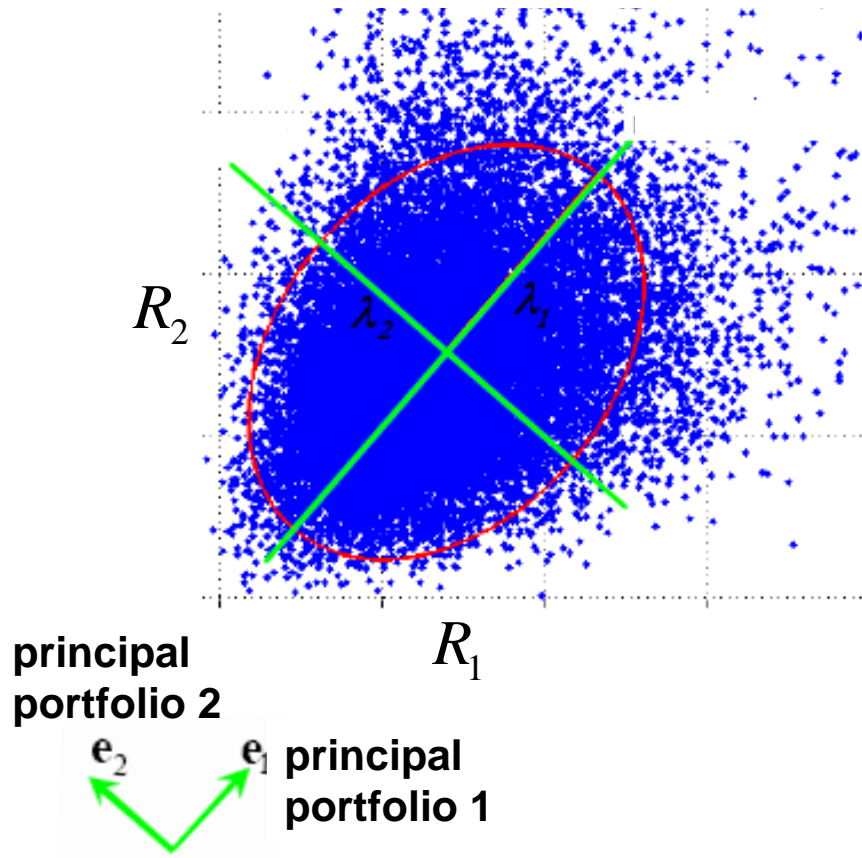
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$$\Lambda \equiv \text{diag}(\lambda_1^2, \dots, \lambda_N^2)$$

$$\lambda_n^2 \equiv \text{Var}\{\mathbf{e}_n' \mathbf{R}\}$$

**PCA**

eigenvectors

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principal portfolios

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principal variances

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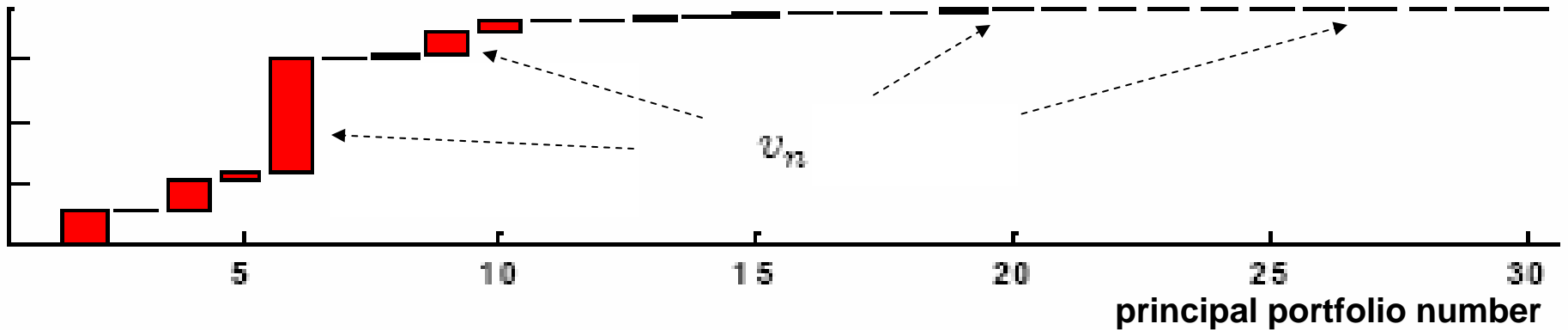
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total  
variance

**variance concentration curve**



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**concentration curve concentrated on 1 principal portfolio**

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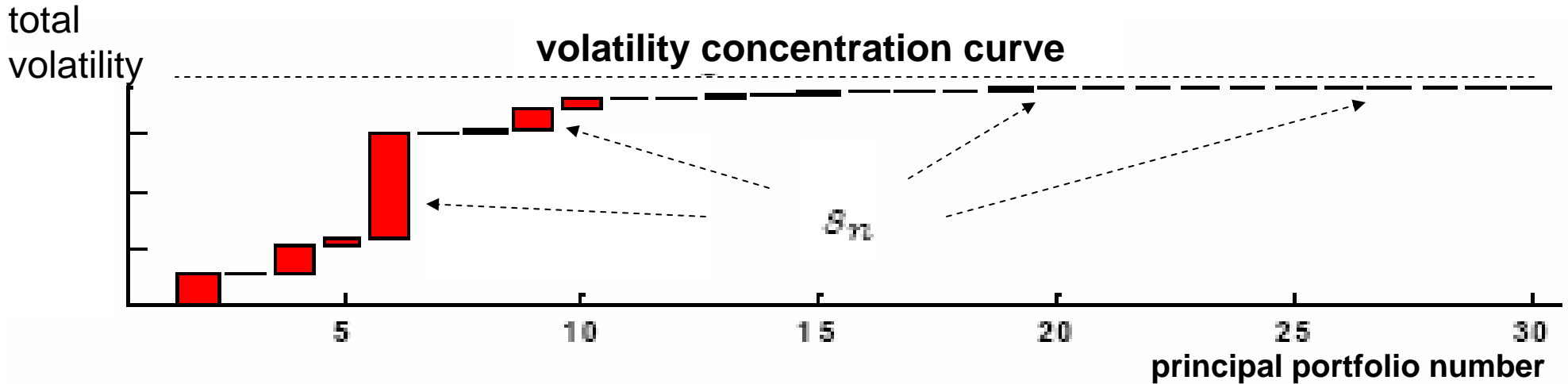
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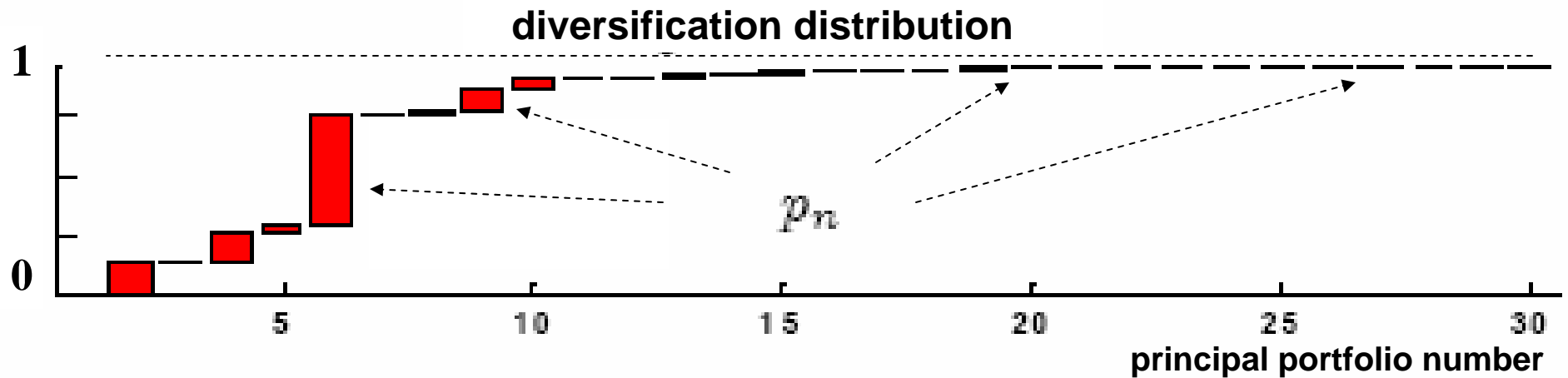
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contribution to original portfolio volatility from  $n$ -th principal portfolio: “hot spots”

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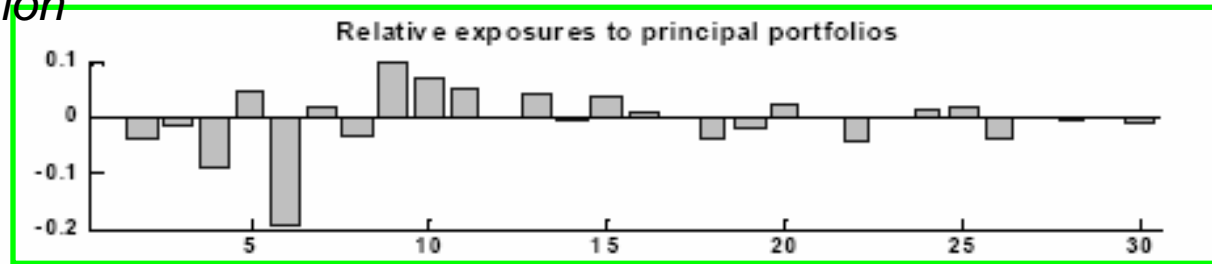
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contribution to original portfolio **r-square** from n-th principal portfolio



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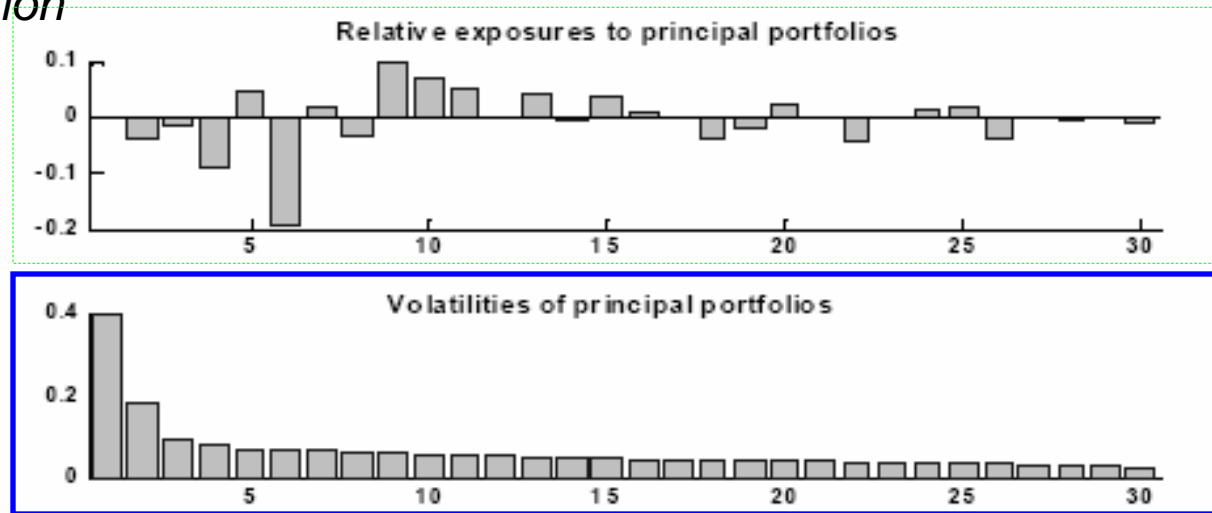
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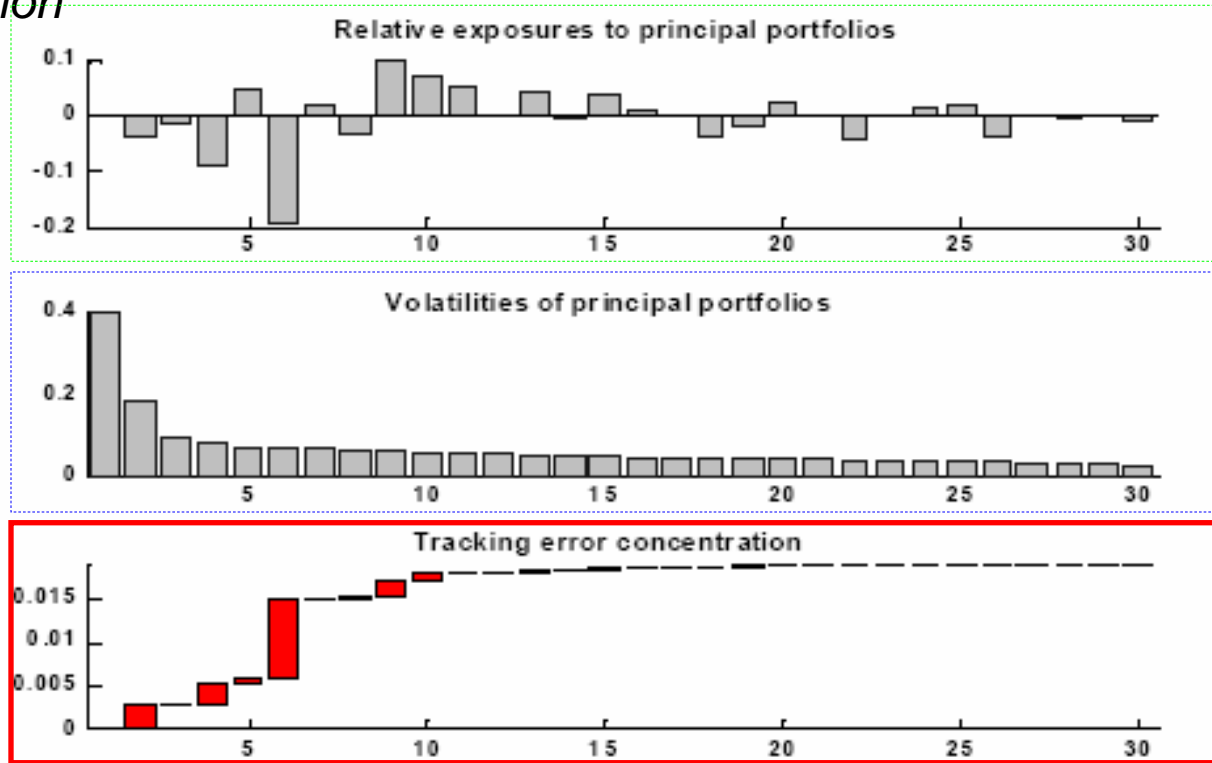
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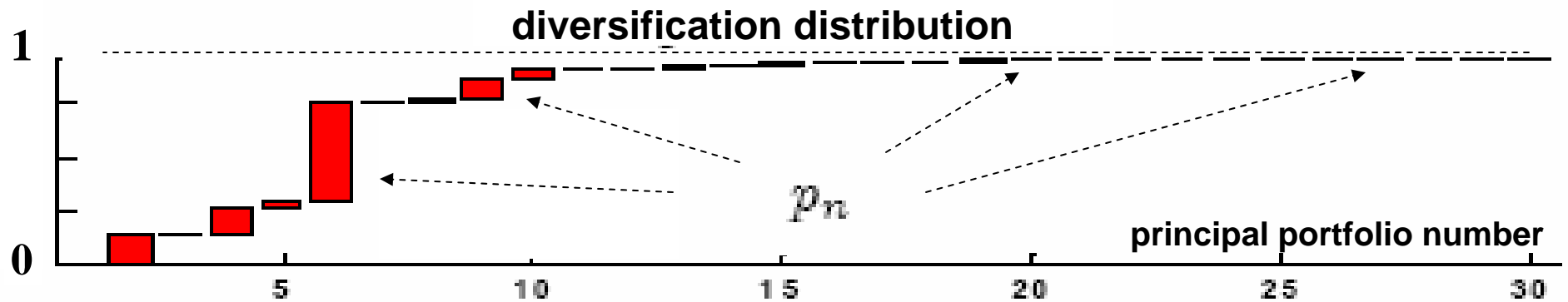
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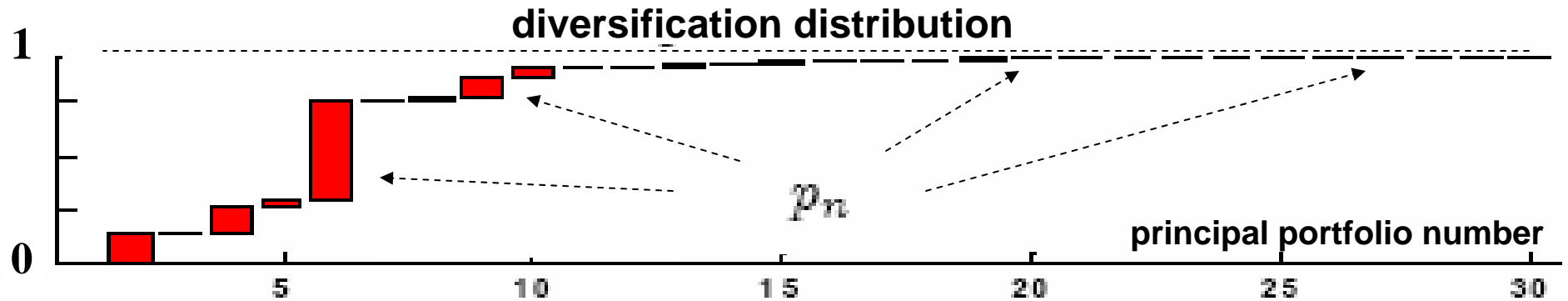
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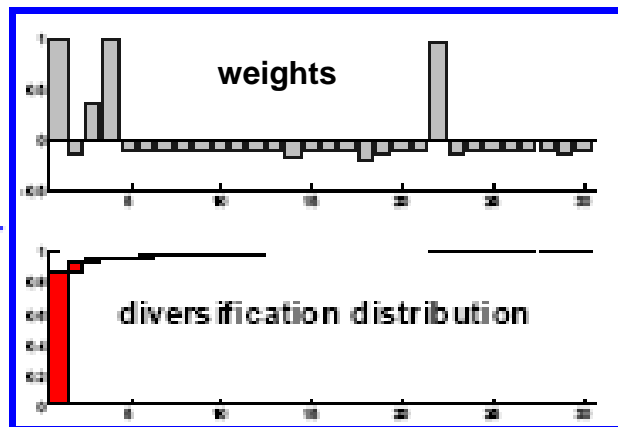
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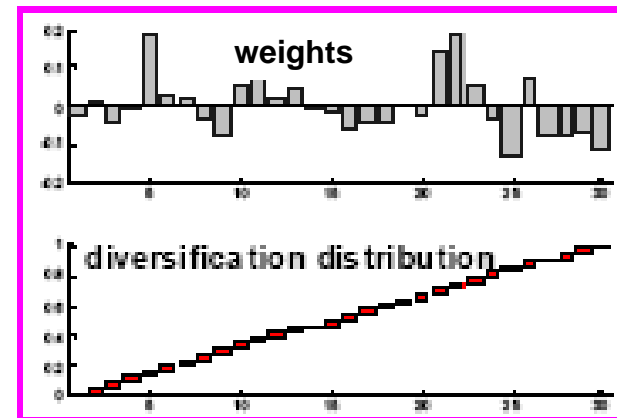
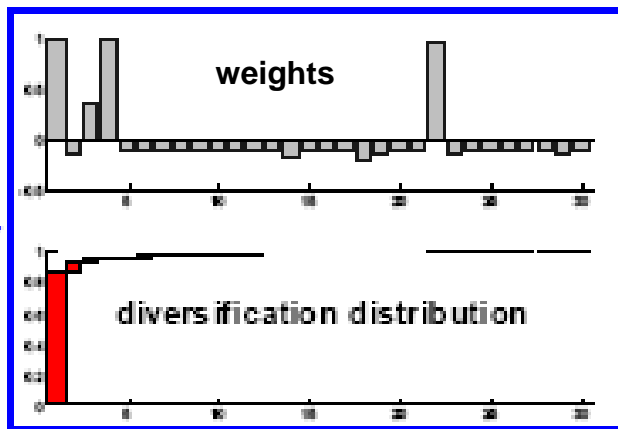
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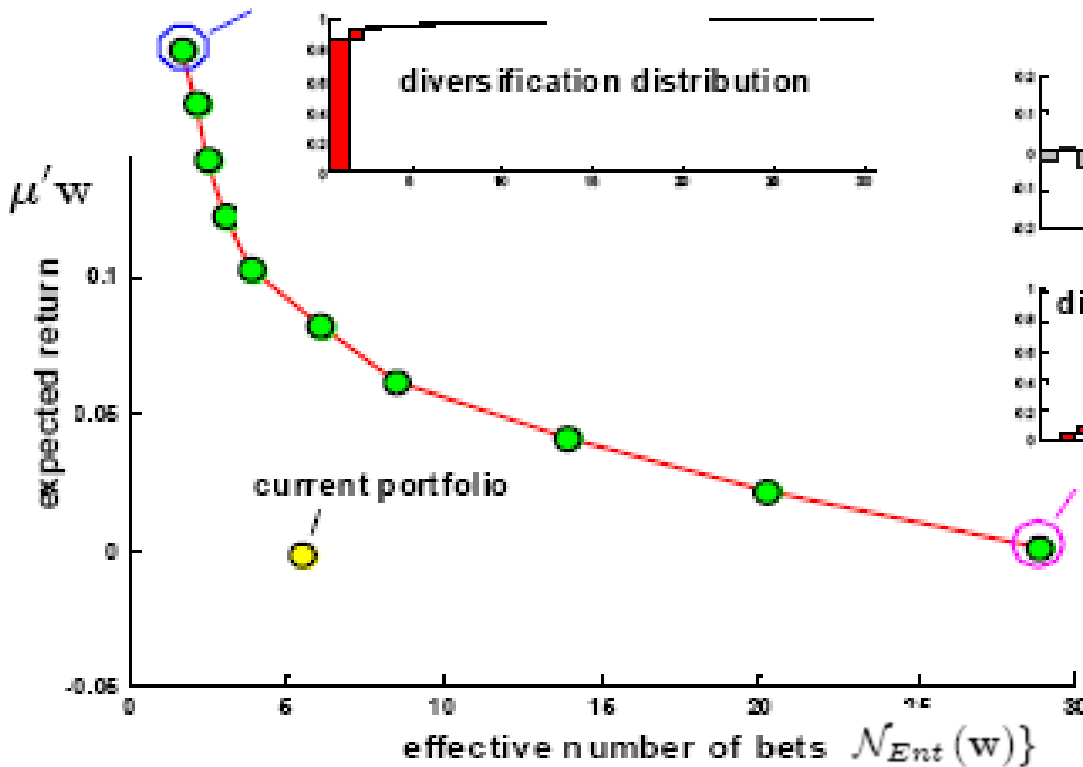
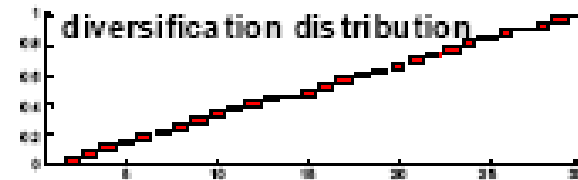
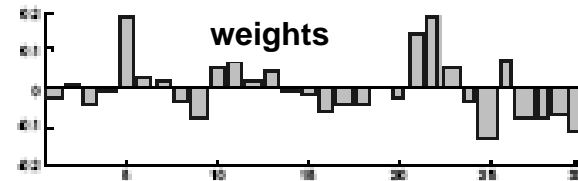
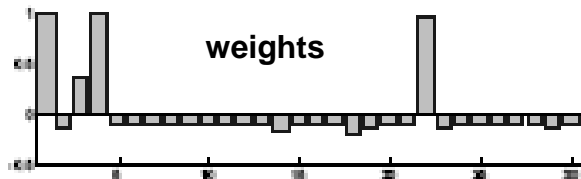
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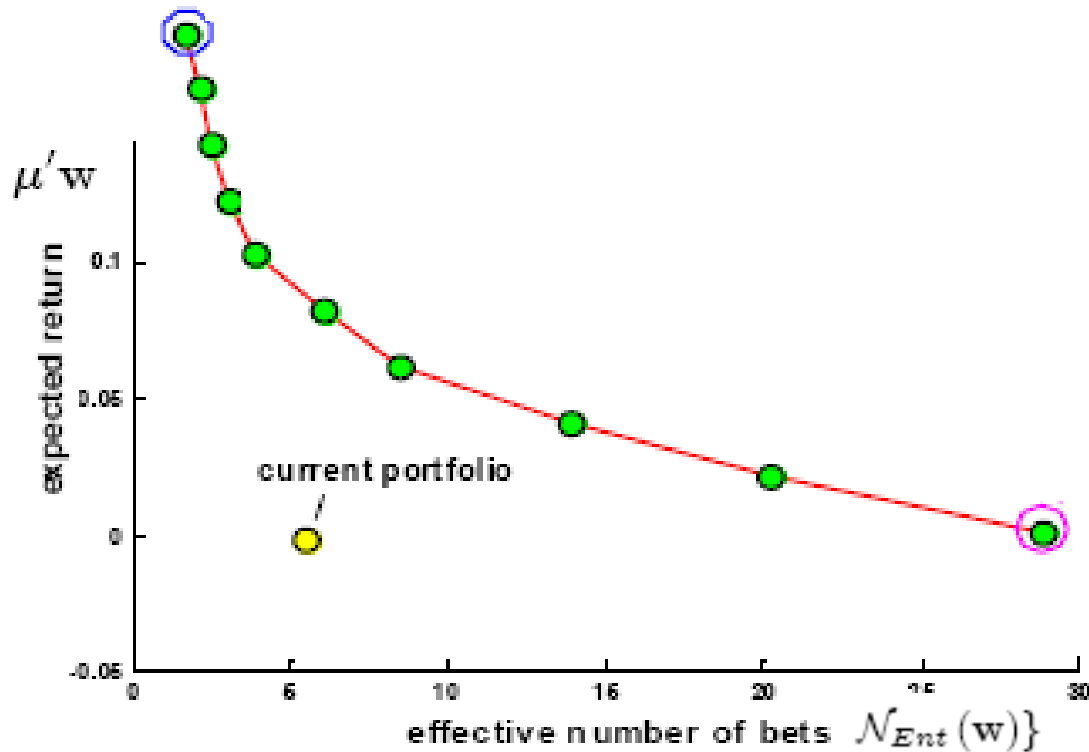
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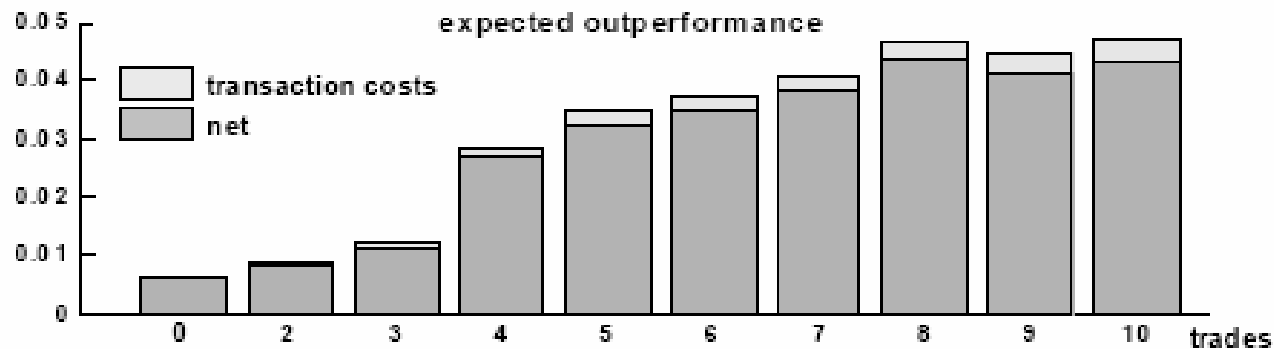
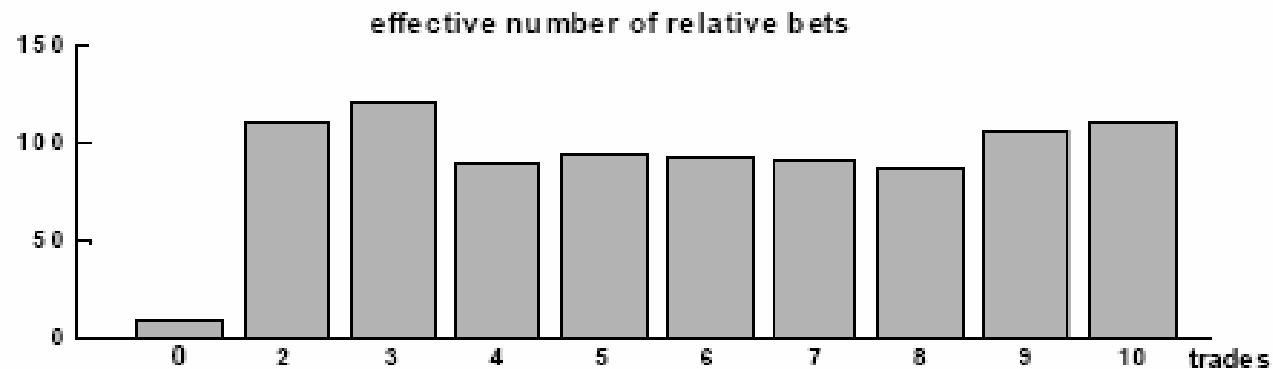
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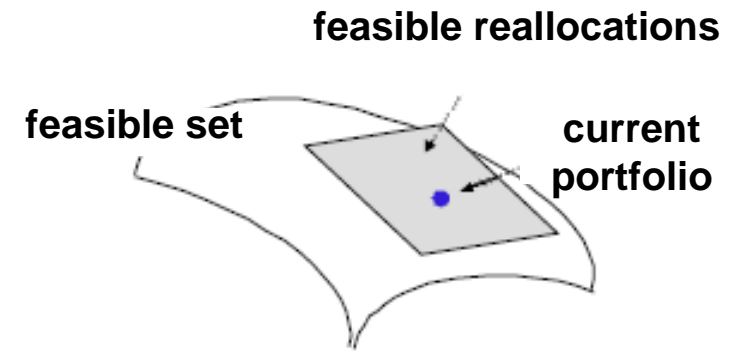
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# Managing diversification – conditional analysis

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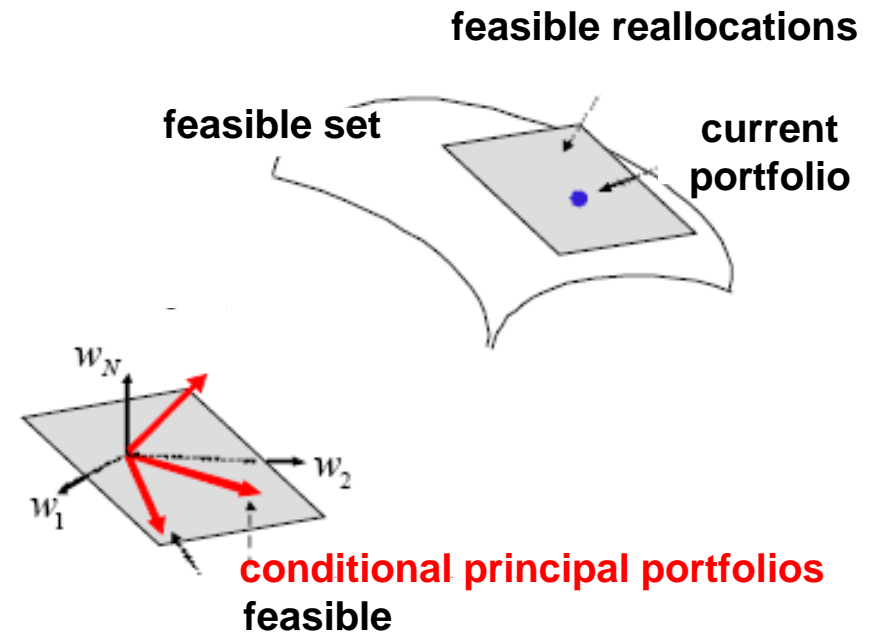
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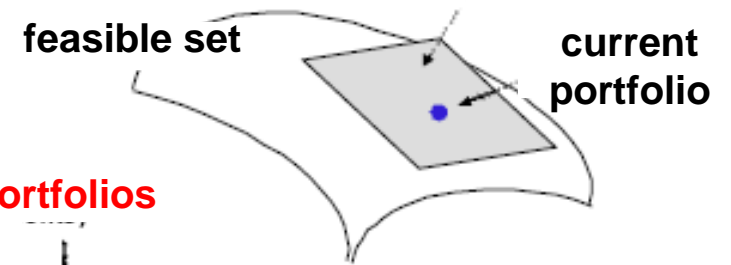
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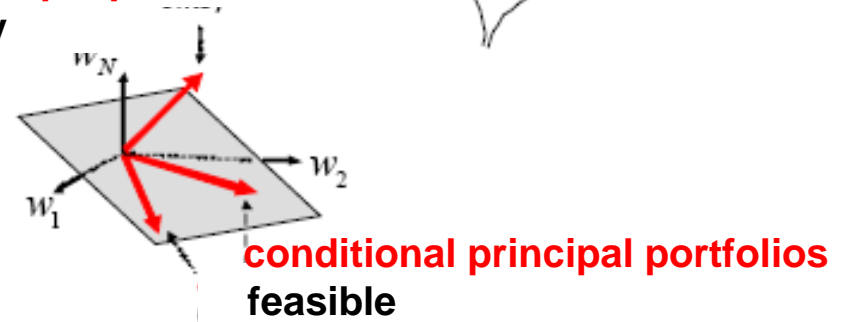
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feasible reallocations



conditional principal portfolios  
complementary



Complementary, unfeasible trades

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