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calcBMProbability	<i>Calculates probabilities for the Arithmetic Brownian Motion</i>
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### Description

This method is a compilation of formulas for some (joint) probabilities for the Arithmetic Brownian Motion  $B_t = B(t)$  with drift parameter  $\mu$  and volatility  $\sigma$  and its minimum  $m_t = m(t)$  or maximum  $M_t = M(t)$ .

### Usage

```
calcBMProbability(
  Type = c(
    "P(M_t >= a)",
    "P(M_t <= a)",
    "P(m_t <= a)",
    "P(m_t >= a)",
    "P(M_t >= a, B_t <= z)",
    "P(m_t <= a, B_t >= z)",
    "P(a <= m_t, M_t <= b)",
    "P(M_s >= a, B_t <= z | s < t)",
    "P(m_s <= a, B_t >= z | s < t)",
    "P(M_s >= a, B_t <= z | s > t)",
    "P(m_s <= a, B_t >= z | s > t)"),
  a, z=0, t = 1, mu = 0, sigma = 1, s = 0)
```

### Arguments

Type	Type of probability to be calculated, see details.
a	level
z	level
t	point in time, $t > 0$
mu	Brownian Motion drift term $\mu$
sigma	Brownian Motion volatility $\sigma$
s	Second point in time, used by some probabilities like $P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z   s < t)$

### Details

Let  $M_t = \max(B_t)$  and  $m_t = \min(B_t)$  for  $t > 0$  be the running maximum/minimum of the Brownian Motion up to time  $t$  respectively.

- $P(M_t \geq a)$  ( $P(M_t \leq a)$ ) is the probability of the maximum  $M_t$  exceeding (staying below) a level  $a$  up to time  $t$ . See Chuang (1996), equation (2.3).
- $P(m_t \leq a)$  ( $P(m_t \geq a)$ ) is the probability of the minimum  $m_t$  to fall below (rise above) a level  $a$  up to time  $t$ .
- $P(M_t \geq a, B_t \leq z)$  is the joint probability of the maximum, exceeding level  $a$ , while the Brownian Motion is below level  $z$  at time  $t$ . See Chuang (1996), equation (2.1), p.82.
- $P(m_t \leq a, B_t \geq z)$  is the joint probability of the minimum to be below level  $a$ , while the Brownian Motion is above level  $z$  at time  $t$ .
- $P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z | s < t)$  See Chuang (1996), equation (2.7), p.84 for the joint probability  $(M_s, B_t)$  of the maximum  $M_s$  and the Brownian Motion  $B_t$  at different times  $s < t$
- $P(m_s \leq a, B_t \geq z | s < t)$  See Chuang (1996), equation (2.7), p.84 for the joint probability of  $(M_s, B_t)$   $s < t$ . Changed formula to work for the minimum.
- $P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z | s > t)$  See Chuang (1996), equation (2.9), p.85 for the joint probability  $(M_s, B_t)$  of the maximum  $M_s$  and the Brownian Motion  $B_t$  at different times  $s > t$
- $P(m_s \leq a, B_t \geq z | s > t)$  See Chuang (1996), equation (2.9), p.85 for the joint probability  $(M_s, B_t)$  of the maximum  $M_s$  and the Brownian Motion  $B_t$  at different times  $s > t$ . Adapted this formula for the minimum  $(m_s, B_t)$  by  $P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z) = P(m_s \leq -a, B_t^* \geq -z)$ .

#### Some identities:

For  $s < t$ :

$$P(M_s \leq a, M_t \geq a, B_t \leq z) = P(M_t \geq a, B_t \leq z) - P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z)$$

$$P(M_s \geq a, B_t \leq z) = P(M_s \geq a) - P(M_s \geq a, B_t \geq z)$$

$$P(X \leq -x, Y \leq -y) = P(-X \geq x, -Y \geq y) = 1 - P(-X \leq x) - P(-Y \leq y) + P(-X \leq x, -Y \leq y)$$

**Changing from maximum  $M_t$  of  $B_t$  to minimum  $m_t^*$  of  $B_t^* = -B_t$ :**

$P(M_t \geq z)$  becomes  $P(m_t^* \leq -z)$ .

### Value

The method returns a vector of probabilities, if used with vector inputs.

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### References

Chuang (1996). Joint distribution of Brownian motion and its maximum, with a generalization to correlated BM and applications to barrier options *Statistics & Probability Letters* **28**, 81–90

**Examples**

```
#####
#
# Example 1: Maximum M_t of Brownian motion
#
#####

# simulate 1000 discretized paths from Brownian Motion B_t
B <- matrix(NA,1000,101)
for (i in 1:1000) {
  B[i,] <- BrownianMotion(S0=100, mu=0.05, sigma=1, T=1, N=100)
}

# get empirical Maximum M_t
M_t <- apply(B, 1, max, na.rm=TRUE)
plot(density(M_t, from=100))

# empirical CDF of M_t
plot(ecdf(M_t))
a <- seq(100, 103, by=0.1)
# P(M_t <= a)
# 1-cdf.M_t(a-100, t=1, mu=0.05, sigma=1)
p <- calcBMProbability(Type = "P(M_t <= a)", a-100, t = 1,
  mu = 0.05, sigma = 1)
lines(a, p, col="red")

#####
#
# Example 2: Minimum m_t of Brownian motion
#
#####

# Minimum m_t : Drift ändern von 0.05 auf -0.05
m_t <- apply(B, 1, min, na.rm=TRUE)

a <- seq(97, 100, by=0.1)
# cdf.m_t(a-100, t=1, mu=0.05, sigma=1)
p <- calcBMProbability(Type = "P(m_t <= a)", a-100, t = 1, mu = 0.05, sigma = 1)

plot(ecdf(m_t))
lines(a, p, col="blue")
```

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calcGBMProbability

*Calculates probabilities for the Geometric Brownian Motion*


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**Description**

This method is a compilation of formulas for some (joint) probabilities for the Geometric Brownian Motion  $S_t = S(t)$  with drift parameter  $\mu$  and volatility  $\sigma$  and its minimum  $m_t = m(t) = \min_{0 \leq \tau \leq t} S(\tau)$  and its maximum  $M_t = M(t) = \max_{0 \leq \tau \leq t} S(\tau)$ .

**Usage**

```

calculateProbabilityGeometricBrownianMotion(
  Type =
  c("P(S_t <= X)",
    "P(S_t >= X)",
    "P(S_t >= X, m_t >= B)",
    "P(M_t <= B)",
    "P(M_t >= B)",
    "P(m_t <= B)",
    "P(m_t >= B)"), S0 = 100, X, B, t = 1, mu = 0, sigma = 1)

```

**Arguments**

Type	Type of probability to be calculated, see details.
S0	Start price
X	strike level
B	barrier level
t	time
mu	drift term
sigma	volatility in % p.a.

**Details**

Let  $M_t = \max(S_t)$  and  $m_t = \min(S_t)$  for  $t > 0$  be the running maximum/minimum of the Geometric Brownian Motion  $S$  up to time  $t$  respectively.

- $P(S_t \leq X)$  is the probability of the process being below  $X$  at time  $t$ .  
Possible Application: shortfall risk of a plain-vanilla call option at maturity
- $P(M_t \geq B)$  is the probability of the maximum exceeding a barrier level  $B$ .
- $P(M_t \leq B)$  is the probability of the maximum staying below a barrier level  $B$  up to time  $t$ .
- $P(m_t \leq B)$  is the probability of the minimum to fall below a barrier level  $B$ .
- $P(m_t \geq B)$  is the probability of the minimum to stay above barrier level  $B$ .

**Value**

a vector of probabilities

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**References**

Poulsen, R. (2004), Exotic Options: Proofs Without Formulas, Working Paper p.7

**See Also**

[calcBMPProbability](#) for probabilities of the standard Brownian Motion

**Examples**

```
# Simulate paths for Geometric Brownian Motion and compute barrier probabilities
N=400
S <- matrix(NA,1000,N+1)
for (i in 1:1000) {
  S[i,] <- GBM(S0=100, mu=0.05, sigma=1, T=1, N=N)
}

# a) Maximum M_t
M_t <- apply(S, 1, max, na.rm=TRUE)

S0 <- 100
B <- seq(100, 1000, by=1)

p1 <- calcGBMProbability(Type="P(M_t <= B)", S0=S0, B=B, t=1, mu=0.05, sigma=1)

# or via arithmetic Brownian Motion and drift mu - sigma^2/2
p2 <- calcBMPProbability(Type="P(M_t <= a)", a=log(B/S0), t=1, mu=0.05-1/2, sigma=1)

plot(ecdf(M_t))
lines(B, p1, col="red", lwd=2)
lines(B, p2, col="green")

# b) Minimum m_t
m_t <- apply(S, 1, min, na.rm=TRUE)

B <- seq(0, 100, by=1)
p3 <- calcGBMProbability(Type="P(m_t <= B)", S0=S0, B=B, t=1, mu=0.05, sigma=1)
p4 <- calcBMPProbability(Type="P(m_t <= a)", a=log(B/S0), t=1, mu=0.05-1/2, sigma=1)

plot(ecdf(m_t))
lines(B, p3, col="red", lwd=2)
lines(B, p4, col="green", lty=2)
```

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Distribution of the Brownian Bridge Minimum

*Distribution of the Minimum of a Brownian Bridge*

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**Description**

Density function and random generation of the minimum  $m_T = \min_{t_0 \leq t \leq T}$  of a Brownian Bridge  $B_t$  between time  $t_0$  and  $T$ .

**Usage**

```
rBrownianBridgeMinimum(n = 100, t0 = 0, T = 1, a = 0, b = 0, sigma = 1)
dBrownianBridgeMinimum(x, t0 = 0, T = 1, a = 0, b = 0, sigma = 1)
```

**Arguments**

n	the number of samples to draw
x	a vector of minimum values to calculate the density for
t0	start time
T	end time
a	start value of the Brownian Bridge (B(t0)=a)
b	end value of the Brownian Bridge (B(T)=b)
sigma	volatility p.a., e.g. 0.2 for 20%

**Details**

rBrownianBridgeMinimum() simulates the minimum  $m(T)$  for a Brownian Bridge  $B(t)$  between  $t_0 \leq t \leq T$ , i.e. a Brownian Motion  $W(t)$  constraint to  $W(t_0) = a$  and  $W(T) = b$ . The simulation algorithm uses the conditional density  $f(m(T) = x | B(t_0) = a, B(T) = b)$  and is based on the exponential distribution given by Beskos et al. (2006), pp.1082–1083, which we generalized to the  $\sigma^2 \neq 1$  case.

The joint density function  $m(T)$  and  $W(T)$  is (see Beskos2006, pp.1082–1083 and Karatzas2008, p.95):

$$f_{m(T), W(T)}(b, a) = \frac{2 \cdot (a - 2b)}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^3\sqrt{T^3}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{(a - 2b)^2}{2\sigma^2T}\right\}$$

With the density of  $W(T)$

$$f_{W(T)}(a) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma\sqrt{T}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{a^2}{2\sigma^2T}\right\}$$

it follows for the conditional density of the minimum  $m(T) | W(T) = a$

$$f_{m(T) | W(T)=a}(b) = \frac{2 \cdot (a - 2b)}{\sigma^2T} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{(a - 2b)^2}{2\sigma^2T} + \frac{a^2}{2\sigma^2T}\right\}$$

**Value**

simBrownianBridgeMinimum() returns a vector of simulated minimum values of length n.  
densityBrownianBridgeMinimum returns a vector of length length(x) with density values

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## References

Beskos, A.; Papaspiliopoulos, O. and Roberts, G. O. (2006). Retrospective Exact Simulation of Diffusion Sample Paths with Applications *Bernoulli*, **12**, 1077–1098

Karatzas/Shreve (2008). Brownian Motion and Stochastic Calculus, *Springer*, p.95

## Examples

```
# simulate 1000 samples from minimum distribution
m <- rBrownianBridgeMinimum(n = 1000, t0 = 0, T = 1, a = 0.2, b = 0, sigma = 2)

# and compare against the density
x <- seq(-6, 0, by=0.01)
dm <- dBrownianBridgeMinimum(x, t0 = 0, T = 1, a = 0.2, b = 0, sigma = 2)

plot(density(m))
lines(x, dm, lty=2, col="red")
```

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Express Certificates Redemption Probabilities

*Redemption Probabilities for Express Certificates*

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## Description

Calculates the stop probabilities/early redemption probabilities for express certificates using the multivariate normal distribution or determines stop probabilities with Monte Carlo simulation.

## Usage

```
calcRedemptionProbabilities(S, X, T, r, r_d, sigma)
simRedemptionProbabilities(S, X, T, r, r_d, sigma, mc.steps=1000, mc.loops=20)
```

## Arguments

S	the asset price, a numeric value
X	a vector of early exercise prices ("Bewertungsgrenzen"), vector of length $(n-1)$
T	a numeric vector of evaluation times measured in years ("Bewertungstage"): $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)'$ , vector of length n
r	the annualized rate of interest, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
r_d	the annualized dividend yield, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
sigma	the annualized volatility of the underlying security, a numeric value; e.g. 0.3 means 30% volatility pa.
mc.steps	Monte Carlo steps in one path
mc.loops	Monte Carlo loops (iterations)



**Details**

Calculates the stop probabilities/early redemption probabilities for Express Certificates at valuation dates  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)'$  using the multivariate normal distribution of log returns of a Geometric Brownian Motion. The redemption probability  $p(t_i)$  at  $t_i < t_n$  is

$$p(t_i) = P(S(t_i) \geq X(t_i), \forall_{j < i} S(t_j) < X(t_j))$$

i.e.

$$p(t_i) = P(S(t_i) \geq X(t_i), S(t_1) \leq X(t_1), \dots, S(t_{i-1}) \leq X(t_{i-1}))$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, (n - 1)$  and

$$p(t_n) = P(S(t_1) \leq X(t_1), \dots, S(t_{n-1}) \leq X(t_{n-1}))$$

for  $i = n$ .

**Value**

a vector of length n with the redemption probabilities at valuation dates  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)'$ .

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Wilhelm, S. (2009). The Pricing of Derivatives when Underlying Paths Are Truncated: The Case of Express Certificates in Germany. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1409322>

**Examples**

```
# Monte Carlo simulation of redemption probabilities
# p(t_i) = P(S(t_i) >= X(t_i), \forall_{j < i} S(t_j) < X(t_j))
mc.loops <- 5000
probs <- simRedemptionProbabilities(S=100, X=c(100,100,100), T=c(1,2,3,4),
  r=0.045, r_d=0, sigma=0.3, mc.steps=3000, mc.loops=5000)
table(probs$stops)/mc.loops

# Analytic calculation of redemption probabilities
probs2 <- calcRedemptionProbabilities(S=100, X=c(100,100,100), T=c(1,2,3,4),
  r=0.045, r_d=0, sigma=0.3)
probs2
```

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 ExpressCertificate.Classic

*Analytical and numerical pricing of Classic Express Certificates*


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### Description

Pricing of Classic Express Certificates using the truncated multivariate normal distribution (early stop probabilities) and numerical integration of the one-dimensional marginal return distribution at maturity

### Usage

```
ExpressCertificate.Classic(S, X, T, K, g = function(S_T) {S_T},
  r, r_d, sigma, ratio = 1)
```

### Arguments

S	the asset price, a numeric value
X	a vector of early exercise prices ("Bewertungsgrenzen"), , vector of length (n-1)
T	a vector of evaluation times measured in years ("Bewertungstage"), vector of length n
K	vector of fixed early cash rebates in case of early exercise, length (n-1)
g	a payoff function at maturity, by default $g(S_T)=S_T$
r	the annualized rate of interest, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
r_d	the annualized dividend yield, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
sigma	the annualized volatility of the underlying security, a numeric value; e.g. 0.3 means 30% volatility pa.
ratio	ratio, number of underlyings one certificate refers to, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 4 certificates refer to 1 share of the underlying asset

### Details

The principal feature inherent to all express certificates is the callable feature with pretermned valuation dates ( $t_1 < \dots < t_n$ ) prior to final maturity  $t_n$ . Express certificates are typically called, if the underlying price on the valuation date is above a strike price (call level):  $S(t_i) > X(t_i)$ .

The payoff of an express classic certificate at maturity is the underlying performance itself. So the payoff function at maturity takes the simple form of  $g(S(t_n)) = S(t_n)$ .

We compute early redemption probabilities via the truncated multivariate normal distribution and integrate the one-dimensional marginal distribution for the expected payoff  $E[g(S(t_n))] = E[S(t_n)]$ .

### Value

a vector of length n with certificate prices

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**References**

Wilhelm, S. (2009). The Pricing of Derivatives when Underlying Paths Are Truncated: The Case of Express Certificates in Germany. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1409322>

**See Also**

[MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate.Classic](#) and [MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate](#) for Monte Carlo evaluation with similar payoff functions

**Examples**

```
ExpressCertificate.Classic(S=100, X=c(100),
  T=c(1, 2), g = function(S) { S },
  K=142.5, r=0.01, r_d=0, sigma=0.3, ratio = 1)
```

```
ExpressCertificate.Classic(S=100, X=c(100),
  T=c(1, 2), g = function(S) { max(S, 151) },
  K=142.5, r=0.01, r_d=0, sigma=0.3, ratio = 1)
```

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GeometricBrownianMotion

*Simulate paths from a Arithmetic or Geometric Brownian Motion*

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**Description**

Simulate one or more paths for an Arithmetic Brownian Motion  $B(t)$  or for a Geometric Brownian Motion  $S(t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq T$  using grid points (i.e. Euler scheme).

**Usage**

```
BM(S0, mu=0, sigma=1, T, N)
GBM(S0, mu, sigma, T, N)
GeometricBrownianMotionMatrix(S0, mu, sigma, T, mc.loops, N)
```

**Arguments**

S0	start value of the Arithmetic/Geometric Brownian Motion, i.e. $S(0)=S0$ or $B(0) = S0$
mu	the drift parameter of the Brownian Motion
sigma	the annualized volatility of the underlying security, a numeric value; e.g. 0.3 means 30% volatility pa.
T	time
mc.loops	number of Monte Carlo price paths
N	number of grid points in price path

**Value**

a vector of length  $N+1$  with simulated asset prices at  $(i * T/N), i = 0, \dots, N$ .

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**References**

Iacus, Stefan M. (2008). Simulation and Inference for Stochastic Differential Equations: With R Examples *Springer*

**Examples**

```
# Simulate three trajectories of the Geometric Brownian Motion S(t)
T      <- 1
mc.steps <- 100
dt      <- T/mc.steps
t       <- seq(0, T, by=dt)
S_t     <- GBM(S0=100, mu=0.05, sigma=0.3, T=T, N=mc.steps)
plot(t, S_t, type="l", main="Sample paths of the Geometric Brownian Motion")
for (i in 1:2) {
  S_t     <- GBM(S0=100, mu=0.05, sigma=0.3, T=T, N=mc.steps)
  lines(t, S_t, type="l")
}
```

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getRedemptionTime      *Redemption times*

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**Description**

Return redemption index

**Usage**

```
getRedemptionTime(S, n, X)
getRedemptionTimesForMatrix(S, n, X)
```

**Arguments**

S                    A (n x 1) vector of prices at valuation dates or a (N x n) matrix.  
n                    number of valuation dates; integer value.  
X                    A vector of call levels (length (n - 1)).

**Details**

For a price vector of  $n$  prices at valuation dates  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))'$ , determine the first redemption index  $i$  such as  $S(t_i) \geq X(t_i), \forall_{j < i} S(t_j) \leq X(t_j)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, (n - 1)$  or  $i = n$  if  $S(t_1) \leq X(t_1), \dots, S(t_{n-1}) \leq X(t_{n-1})$ )

**Value**

getRedemptionTime returns a scalar; getRedemptionTimesForMatrix returns a  $N \times 1$  vector.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[calcRedemptionProbabilities](#) and [simRedemptionProbabilities](#)

**Examples**

```
S <- c(90, 95, 110, 120)
X <- c(100, 100, 100)
getRedemptionTime(S, n=4, X)
# 3
```

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MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate.Classic

*Monte Carlo valuation of Classic Express Certificates*

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**Description**

Monte Carlo valuation methods for Express Classic Certificates using the Euler scheme or sampling from conditional densities

**Usage**

```
MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate.Classic(S, X, T, K, r, r_d,
  sigma, ratio = 1, mc.steps = 1000, mc.loops = 20)
Conditional.MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate.Classic(S, X, T, K, r, r_d,
  sigma, ratio = 1, mc.loops = 20, conditional.random.generator = "rnorm")
MonteCarlo.ExpressCertificate(S, X, T, K, B,
  r, r_d, sigma, mc.steps = 1000, mc.loops = 20, payoff.function)
```

**Arguments**

S	the asset price, a numeric value
X	a vector of early exercise prices ("Bewertungsgrenzen"), , vector of length (n-1)
T	a vector of evaluation times measured in years ("Bewertungstage"), vector of length n
K	vector of fixed early cash rebates in case of early exercise, length (n-1)
B	barrier level
r	the annualized rate of interest, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
r_d	the annualized dividend yield, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.

sigma	the annualized volatility of the underlying security, a numeric value; e.g. 0.3 means 30% volatility pa.
ratio	ratio, number of underlyings one certificate refers to, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 4 certificates refer to 1 share of the underlying asset
mc.steps	Monte Carlo steps in one path
mc.loops	Monte Carlo Loops (iterations)
conditional.random.generator	A pseudo-random or quasi-random (Halton-Sequence, Sobol-Sequence) generator for the conditional distributions, one of "rnorm", "rnorm.halton", "rnorm.sobol"
payoff.function	payoff function

### Details

The conventional Monte Carlo uses the Euler scheme with `mc.steps` steps in order to approximate the continuous-time stochastic process.

The conditional Monte Carlo samples from conditional densities  $f(x_{i+1}|x_i)$  for  $i = 0, \dots, (n-1)$ , which are univariate normal distributions for the log returns of the Geometric Brownian Motion and Jump-diffusion model:  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f(x_n|x_{n-1}) \cdot \dots \cdot f(x_2|x_1) \cdot f(x_1|x_0)$  The conditional Monte Carlo does not need the `mc.steps` points in between and has a much better performance.

### Value

returns a list of

stops	stops
prices	vector of prices, length <code>mc.loops</code>
p	Monte Carlo estimate of the price = <code>mean(prices)</code>
S_T	vector of underlying prices at maturity

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payoffExpress

*Defining payoff functions for Express Certificates*

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### Description

Defining common or particular payoff functions for Express Certificates

### Usage

```
payoffExpressClassic(i, n, S, m, K)
payoffExpressML0AN5(i, n, S, m, K, B, S0)
payoffExpressCappedBonusType1(i, n, S, m, K, B)
payoffExpressBonusType1(i, n, S, m, K, B)
```

**Arguments**

i	The redemption date ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ )
n	The number of valuation dates
S	A vector of length n for the prices at the valuation dates, i.e. $S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n)$
m	A vector of length n for the running minimum at the valuation dates, i.e. $m(t_1), \dots, m(t_n)$
K	A vector of fixed cash rebates at early redemption times
B	A barrier level to be monitored
S0	underlying start price

**Details**

Payoff structure of express certificates can be either path independent or path dependent, while monitoring a barrier B.

**Path independent payoffs:**

The function `payoffExpressClassic` implements the following payoff at  $t_i$ :

$$p(t_i) = K(t_i) \quad \text{for } i < n, \quad \text{else } S(t_n)$$

**Path dependent payoffs:**

The function `payoffExpressCappedBonusType1` implements the following payoff:

$$p(t_i) = \begin{cases} K(t_i) & \text{for } i < n \\ S(t_n) & \text{for } i = n \text{ and } m(t_n) \leq B \\ K(t_n) & \text{for } i = n \text{ and } m(t_n) > B \end{cases}$$

In case the barrier has not been hit during the lifetime, a fixed bonus payment  $K(t_n)$  is payed and the payoff is therefore capped.

The function `payoffExpressBonusType1` implements the following payoff:

$$p(t_i) = \begin{cases} K(t_i) & \text{for } i < n \\ S(t_n) & \text{for } i = n \text{ and } m(t_n) \leq B \\ \max(K(t_n), S(t_n)) & \text{for } i = n \text{ and } m(t_n) > B \end{cases}$$

Unlike in the `payoffExpressCappedBonusType1`, this payoff is not capped for the case ( $S(t_n) > K(t_n)$ )

The function `payoffExpressML0AN5` is an example of an quite complicated payoff including path dependence and coupon payments. See also the certificate prospectus [../inst/doc/ML0AN5.pdf](#).

**Value**

returns the certificate payoff (Not discounted payoff!) for the given inputs at time i

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**See Also**

See also the generic pricing function [SimulateGenericExpressCertificate](#)

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`print.express.certificate`

*Print method for express certificates*

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**Description**

Print method for express certificates objects

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'express.certificate'  
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	An object of S3 class "express.certificate"
<code>digits</code>	Number of digits for printing the object "express.certificate" in method <code>print.express.certificate</code>
<code>...</code>	further arguments passed to or from other methods

**Details**

The method `print.express.certificate` can be used for pretty printing of express certificates properties.

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 simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM

*Simulation of the joint finite-dimensional distribution of the Geometric Brownian Motion and its minimum*

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## Description

Simulates from the joint distribution of finite-dimensional distribution  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  and the minimum  $m(t_n)$  of a Geometric Brownian motion by either using simple grid approach or using the multivariate normal distribution of the returns and the conditional distribution of a minimum of a Brownian Bridge given the returns.

## Usage

```
simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM(N = 100, S, T, mu, sigma, log = FALSE, m=Inf)
```

```
simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM2(N = 10000, S, T, mu, sigma, mc.steps = 1000)
```

## Arguments

N	number of samples to draw
S	start value of the Arithmetic/Geometric Brownian Motion, i.e. $S(0)=S_0$ or $B(0) = S_0$
T	Numeric vector of valuation times (length n). $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)'$
mu	the drift parameter of the Geometric Brownian Motion
sigma	volatility p.a., e.g. 0.2 for 20%
log	logical, if true the returns instead of prices are returned
m	Possible prior minimum value.
mc.steps	Number of gridpoints

## Details

### grid-approach

The `simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM2` method uses the Monte Carlo Euler Scheme, the stepsize is  $\delta t = t_n/mc.steps$ . The method is quite slow.

### multivariate-normal distribution approach

The method `simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM` draws from the multivariate normal distribution of returns. For the  $n$  valuation times given by  $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)'$  we simulate from the joint distribution  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n), m(t_1), \dots, m(t_n))$  of the finite-dimensional distribution  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  and the running minimum  $m(t_i) = \min_{0 \leq t \leq t_i} (S(t))$  of a Geometric Brownian motion. This is done by using the multivariate normal distribution of the returns of a GBM and the conditional distribution of a minimum of a Brownian Bridge (i.e. in-between valuation dates).

First we simulate  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  from a multivariate normal distribution of the returns with mean vector

$$(\mu - \sigma^2/2)T$$

and covariance matrix

$$(\Sigma)_{ij} = \min(t_i, t_j) * \sigma^2$$

Next, we simulate the period minimum  $m(t_{i-1}, t_i) = \min_{t_{i-1} \leq t \leq t_i} S(t)$  between two times  $t_{i-1}$  and  $t_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . This minimum  $m(t_{i-1}, t_i) | S(t_{i-1}), S(t_i)$  is the minimum of a Brownian Bridge between  $t_{i-1}$  and  $t_i$ .

The global minimum is the minimum of all period minima given by

$$m(t_n) = \min(m_{(0,1)}, m_{(1,2)}, \dots, m_{(n-1,n)}) = \min m(t_{i-1}, t_i) \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

### Value

A matrix  $(N \times 2n)$  with rows  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n), m(t_1), \dots, m(t_n))$

### Note

Since we are considering a specific path for the prices and are interested in the minimum given the specific trajectory (i.e.  $m(t_n) | S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n)$ ), it is not sufficient to sample from the bivariate density  $(S(t_n), m(t_n))$ , for which formulae is given by Karatzas/Shreve and others. Otherwise we could face the problem that some of the  $S(t_1), \dots, S(t_{n-1})$  are smaller than the simulated  $m(t_n)$ . However, both approaches yield the same marginal density for  $m(t_n)$ .

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### See Also

The method [simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM2](#) returns the same, but using the Euler Scheme.  
See also [calcGBMProbability](#) for the CDF of the minimum  $m_t$  (i.e.  $\text{Type} = "P(m_t \leq B)"$ )

### Examples

```
# Comparison of sampling of GBM Minimum m_t via finite dimensional approach +
# Brownian Bridges vs. crude Monte Carlo

# naive grid-based approach
X0 <- simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM2(N=5000, S=100, T=c(1,2,3), mu = 0.05, sigma=0.3,
  mc.steps=1000)

# Simulation of minimums m_t via prices at valuation dates
```

```

# (S(t_1),S(t_2),...,S(t_n)) and Brownian Bridges in-between
X1 <- simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM(N=5000, S=100, T=c(1,2,3), mu=0.05, sigma=0.3)
m1 <- X1[,4]

# Monte Carlo simulation of m_t via gridpoints (m2)
mc.loops <- 5000
mc.steps <- 2000
S <- matrix(NA, mc.loops, mc.steps + 1)
for (j in 1:mc.loops) {
  S[j,] <- GBM(S0=100, mu=0.05, sigma=0.3, T=3, N=mc.steps)
}
m2 <- apply(S, 1, min) # minimum for each price path

# Compare probability density function and CDF for m_t against each other
# and against theoretical CDF.
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
# a) pdf of GBM minimum m_t at maturity for both approaches
plot(density(m1, to=100), col="black")
lines(density(m2, to=100), col="blue")

# b) compare empirical CDFs for m_t with theoretical probability P(m_t <= B)
B <- seq(0, 100, by=1)
p3 <- calcGBMProbability(Type="P(m_t <= B)",
  S0=100, B=B, t=3, mu=0.05, sigma=0.3)

plot(ecdf(m1), col="black", main="Sampling of GBM minimum m_t")
lines(ecdf(m2), col="blue")
lines(B, p3, col="red")
legend("topleft", legend=c("Finite-dimensions and Brownian Bridge",
  "MC Euler scheme", "Theoretical value"),
  col=c("black","blue","red"), lwd=2)

```

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```
simPricesAndMinimumFromTruncatedGBM
```

*Simulation of the joint finite-dimensional distribution of a restricted Geometric Brownian Motion and its minimum*

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## Description

Simulates from the joint distribution of finite-dimensional distributions  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  and the minimum  $m(t_n)$  of a restricted Geometric Brownian motion by using the truncated multivariate normal distribution of the returns and the conditional distribution of a minimum of a Brownian Bridge given the returns.

## Usage

```

simPricesAndMinimumFromTruncatedGBM(N = 100, S, T, mu, sigma,
  lowerX = rep(0, length(T)),
  upperX = rep(+Inf, length(T)),
  log = FALSE, m=Inf)

```

**Arguments**

N	number of samples to draw
S	start value of the Arithmetic/Geometric Brownian Motion, i.e. $S(0) = S_0$ or $B(0) = S_0$
T	Numeric vector of n valuation times $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)'$
mu	the drift parameter of the Geometric Brownian Motion
sigma	volatility p.a., e.g. 0.2 for 20%
lowerX	Numeric vector of n lower bounds for the Geometric Brownian Motion, zeros are permitted, default is $\text{rep}(0, \text{length}(T))$
upperX	Numeric vector of n upper bounds for the Geometric Brownian Motion, +Inf are permitted, default is $\text{rep}(+\text{Inf}, \text{length}(T))$
log	logical, if true the returns instead of prices are returned
m	Possible prior minimum value.

**Details**

For the  $n$  valuation times given by  $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)'$  we simulate from the joint distribution  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n), m(t_1), \dots, m(t_n))$  of the finite-dimensional distribution  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  and the running minimum  $m(t_i) = \min_{0 \leq t \leq t_i} (S_t)$  of a restricted/truncated Geometric Brownian motion.

The Geometric Brownian Motion is conditioned at the  $n$  valuation dates  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  on  $\text{lower}X_i \leq S(t_i) \leq \text{upper}X_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

First we simulate  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  from a truncated multivariate normal distribution of the returns with mean vector

$$(\mu - \sigma^2/2) * T$$

and covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = (\min(t_i, t_j)\sigma^2) = \begin{bmatrix} \min(t_1, t_1)\sigma^2 & \min(t_1, t_2)\sigma^2 & \cdots & \min(t_1, t_n)\sigma^2 \\ \min(t_2, t_1)\sigma^2 & \min(t_2, t_2)\sigma^2 & \cdots & \min(t_2, t_n)\sigma^2 \\ \vdots & & & \\ \min(t_n, t_1)\sigma^2 & \cdots & & \min(t_n, t_n)\sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and lower and upper truncation points  $\text{lower}=\log(\text{lower}X/S)$  and  $\text{upper}=\log(\text{upper}X/S)$  respectively.

Given the realized prices  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n))$  we simulate the global minimum as the minimum of several Brownian Bridges as described in Beskos (2006):

We simulate the period minimum  $m_{(i-1,i)}$  between two times  $t_{i-1}$  and  $t_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . This minimum  $m_{(i-1,i)} | S(t_{i-1}), S(t_i)$  is the minimum of a Brownian Bridge between  $t_{i-1}$  and  $t_i$ .

The global minimum is the minimum of all period minima given by

$$m_n = \min(m_{(0,1)}, m_{(1,2)}, \dots, m_{(n-1,n)}) = \min(m_{(i-1,i)}) \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

**Value**

A  $(N \times 2 * n)$  matrix with N rows and columns  $(S(t_1), \dots, S(t_n), m(t_1), \dots, m(t_n))$

**Note**

This function can be used to determine the barrier risk of express certificates at maturity, i.e. the probability that barrier  $B$  has been breached given that we reach maturity:  $P(m(t_n) \leq B | \forall_{i < n} S(t_i) < X(t_i))$

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**See Also**

See the similar method `simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM` for the unrestricted Geometric Brownian Motion (i.e. `lowerX=rep(0,n)` and `upperX=rep(Inf,n)`).

**Examples**

```
# 1. Simulation of restricted GBM prices and minimums m_t
# finite-dimensional distribution and Brownian Bridge
X1 <- simPricesAndMinimumFromTruncatedGBM(N=5000, S=100, T=c(1,2,3),
  upperX=c(100,100,Inf), mu=0.05, sigma=0.3)
m1 <- X1[,4]

# 2. Compare to distribution of unrestricted GBM minimums
X2 <- simPricesAndMinimumFromGBM(N=5000, S=100, T=c(1,2,3),
  mu=0.05, sigma=0.3)
m2 <- X2[,4]

plot(density(m1, to=100), col="black", main="Minimum m_t for Express Certificate
  price paths at maturity")
lines(density(m2, to=100), col="blue")
legend("topleft", legend=c("Restricted GBM minimum", "Unrestricted GBM minimum"),
  col=c("black", "blue"), lty=1, bty="n")
```

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SimulateExpressCertificate

*Monte Carlo Valuation of Express Certificates*

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**Description**

Generic Monte Carlo Valuation of Express Certificates using the Euler scheme, multivariate normal distribution and truncated multivariate normal.

**Usage**

```
SimulateGenericExpressCertificate(S, X, K, T, r, r_d, sigma, mc.loops = 10000,
  mc.steps = 1000, payoffFunction = payoffExpressClassic, ...)
SimulateExpressClassicCertificate(S, X, K, T, r, r_d, sigma, mc.loops = 10000,
  mc.steps = 1000)
```

```
SimulateExpressBonusCertificate(S, X, B, K, T, r, r_d, sigma, mc.loops = 10000,
  mc.steps = 1000, barrierHit = FALSE)
```

```
simExpressPriceMVN(S, m = Inf, X, K, B, T, r, r_d, sigma,
  mc.loops = 100000, payoffFunction, ...)
```

```
simExpressPriceTMVN(S, m = Inf, X, K, B, T, r, r_d, sigma,
  mc.loops = 100000, payoffFunction, ...)
```

### Arguments

S	the asset price, a numeric value
X	a vector of early exercise prices/call levels ("Bewertungsgrenzen"), vector of length (n-1)
B	barrier level
K	vector of fixed early cash rebates in case of early exercise, length (n-1) or n in case of a fixed rebate at maturity
T	a vector of evaluation times measured in years ("Bewertungstage"), vector of length n
r	the annualized rate of interest, a numeric value; e.g. 0.05 means 5% pa.
r_d	the annualized dividend yield, a numeric value; e.g. 0.25 means 25% pa.
sigma	the annualized volatility of the underlying security, a numeric value; e.g. 0.3 means 30% volatility pa.
mc.loops	Monte Carlo Loops (iterations)
mc.steps	Monte Carlo steps in one path
barrierHit	flag whether the barrier has already been reached/hit during the lifetime
payoffFunction	definition of a payoff function, see details below
m	The minimum price up to today for pricing during the lifetime.
...	Additional parameters passed to the payoff function

### Details

TO BE DONE: Definition of payoff functions

### Value

The methods return an object of class "express.certificate".

An object of class "express.certificate" is a list containing at least the following components:

price	Monte Carlo estimate
prices	A vector of simulated discounted prices (length mc.loops)
n	The number of valuation dates
redemptionTimes	A vector of redemption times $i = 1..n$ (length mc.loops)
S	the asset price, a numeric value

X                    early exercise prices/call levels  
K                    vector of fixed early cash rebates in case of early exercise  
T                    a vector of evaluation times measured in years ("Bewertungstage")

There is also a method `print.express.certificate` for pretty printing of `express.certificate` objects.

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### See Also

Definition of several payoff functions in `payoffExpressClassic`, `payoffExpressCappedBonusType1` or `payoffExpressBonusType1`

`print.express.certificate` for pretty printing of `express.certificate` objects

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Example CB7AXR on Deutsche Telekom on 10.12.2009  
p <- SimulateExpressBonusCertificate(S=10.4/12.10*100, X=c(100,100,100), B=7/12.1*100,  
  K=c(134, 142.5, 151),  
  T=.RLZ(c("16.12.2009","17.06.2010","17.12.2010"), start="10.12.2009"), r=0.01, r_d=0,  
  sigma=0.23, mc.loops=10000, mc.steps=1000)  
p  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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