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SOME REMARKS ON THE MAXIMUM OF A ONE-DIMENSIONAL DIFFUSION PROCESS

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Abstract: For a certain class of one-dimensional diffusions X(t), we study the distribution of $\max_{t \in [0,T]} X(t)$ and the distribution of the first instant at which X(t) attains the maximum by reducing X(t) to Brownian motion. Moreover, for T fixed or random, we study the asymptotics of threshold crossing probability, i.e. the rate of decay of $P\left(\max_{s \in [0,T]} X(s) > z\right)$ as z goes to infinity. Some examples are also reported.

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