## **ASSIGNMENT 1:**

- (1) Develop a Linear Congruent Random Number Generator (L'Ecuyer, P. 1988, Communications of the ACM, vol. 31, pp. 742–774.) with two modulus algorithm. Use the generator to generate:
  - a. 100 Random numbers between 1 and 1000 and plot a histogram.
  - b. 10,000 Random numbers between 0 and 1 and plot a histogram
  - c. What pattern do you observe.
- (2) Playing Roulette. Simulate a Roulette game with a bet on numbers (ignore colors and zeros). Each bet is for \$1 based on the last two numbers of your student ID. If the student ID number is 0, bet on 1. If the last two numbers of your student ID number is greater than 36, bet on 36.
  - If your number is drawn you win \$36 [Profit = \$35]
  - If another number is drawn you get 0. [Loss = -\$1]
  - a. Assume that the roulette is fair and has 36 slots. Each slot has an equal probability. Use your random number generator above and generate draws between 1 and 36. Confirm the distribution of the random numbers using a histogram.
  - b. Using simulations, calculate the expected Profit/Loss for 10 plays of Roulette. Also simulate for 100 plays and 1,000 plays. Calculate the mean and standard deviation of the Profit/Loss. In each
  - c. Redo the simulations for an "unfair" roulette. The payoffs are the same, but now the roulette has 37 slots (one slot is 0 and nobody can bet on that slot).
- (3) Use the random number generator to simulate draws from a normal distribution. Use the inverse-normal technique show in Glasserman. Simulate 10,000 draws and draw a histogram of the distribution.
- (4) Pick a stock that starts with the same letter as your first name (if you don't find a stock, use the last letter of your first name). Preferably the stock should pay dividend. Use finance.yahoo.com to find option prices on the stock of your choice. Pick an option that has a maturity between 6 and 9 months. The stock will pay at least one dividend over the life of the option. Let the strike price be equal to the stock price for the chosen maturity.
  - a. Calculate the Black-Scholes value of the at-the-money call and put. Does the option price match the traded price? If there is a discrepancy, why is there a difference.
  - b. Calculate the value of the at-the-money call and put option using Monte Carlo simulations. Does the simulated value match the traded price? Match Black-Scholes?

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2.50662823884
                            b_0 =
                                    -8.47351093090
a_0 =
                            b_1 =
a_1 =
       -18.61500062529
                                     23.08336743743
        41.39119773534
                            b_2 =
                                    -21.06224101826
a_2 =
        -25.44106049637
                            b_3 =
                                      3.13082909833
a_3 =
c_0 = 0.3374754822726147
                            c_5 = 0.0003951896511919
c_1 = 0.9761690190917186
                            c_6 = 0.0000321767881768
c_2 = 0.1607979714918209
                            c_7 = 0.0000002888167364
c_3 = 0.0276438810333863
                            c_8 = 0.0000003960315187
c_4 = 0.0038405729373609
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Fig. 2.12. Constants for approximations to inverse normal.

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Input: u between 0 and 1 Output: x, approximation to \Phi^{-1}(u). y \leftarrow u - 0.5 if |y| < 0.42 r \leftarrow y * y x \leftarrow y * (((a_3 * r + a_2) * r + a_1) * r + a_0)/ ((((b_3 * r + b_2) * r + b_1) * r + b_0) * r + 1) else r \leftarrow u; if (y > 0) \ r \leftarrow 1 - u r \leftarrow \log(-\log(r)) x \leftarrow c_0 + r * (c_1 + r * (c_2 + r * (c_3 + r * (c_4 + r * (c_5 + r * (c_6 + r * (c_7 + r * c_8))))))) if (y < 0) \ x \leftarrow -x return x
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Fig. 2.13. Beasley-Springer-Moro algorithm for approximating the inverse normal.

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FUNCTION ran2(idum)
 INTEGER idum, IM1, IM2, IMM1, IA1, IA2, IQ1, IQ2, IR1, IR2, NTAB, NDIV
 REAL ran2, AM, EPS, RNMX
 PARAMETER (IM1=2147483563, IM2=2147483399, AM=1./IM1, IMM1=IM1-1,
       IA1=40014, IA2=40692, IQ1=53668, IQ2=52774, IR1=12211,
       IR2=3791,NTAB=32,NDIV=1+IMM1/NTAB,EPS=1.2e-7,RNMX=1.-EPS)
     Long period (> 2 \times 10^{18}) random number generator of L'Ecuyer with Bays-Durham shuffle
     and added safeguards. Returns a uniform random deviate between 0.0 and 1.0 (exclusive
     of the endpoint values). Call with idum a negative integer to initialize; thereafter, do not
     alter idum between successive deviates in a sequence. RNMX should approximate the largest
     floating value that is less than 1.
  INTEGER idum2, j, k, iv(NTAB), iy
 SAVE iv, iy, idum2
 DATA idum2/123456789/, iv/NTAB*0/, iy/0/
  if (idum.le.0) then
     idum=max(-idum,1)
                                           Be sure to prevent idum = 0.
      idum2=idum
     do 11 j=NTAB+8,1,-1
                                           Load the shuffle table (after 8 warm-ups).
         k=idum/IQ1
        idum=IA1*(idum-k*IQ1)-k*IR1
        if (idum.lt.0) idum=idum+IM1
        if (j.le.NTAB) iv(j)=idum
    enddo 11
    iy=iv(1)
endif
k=idum/IQ1
                                            Start here when not initializing.
                                            Compute idum=mod(IA1*idum, IM1) without over-
idum=IA1*(idum-k*IQ1)-k*IR1
if (idum.lt.0) idum=idum+IM1
                                               flows by Schrage's method.
k=idum2/IQ2
idum2=IA2*(idum2-k*IQ2)-k*IR2
                                            Compute idum2=mod(IA2*idum2,IM2) likewise.
if (idum2.lt.0) idum2=idum2+IM2
j=1+iy/NDIV
                                            Will be in the range 1:NTAB.
iy=iv(j)-idum2
                                            Here idum is shuffled, idum and idum2 are com-
iv(j)=idum
                                               bined to generate output.
if(iy.lt.1)iy=iy+IMM1
ran2=min(AM*iy,RNMX)
                                            Because users don't expect endpoint values.
return
END
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