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4. Congruential & Mid Square Method to generate Random number.

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OBJECTIVE

To generate random numbers using Linear Congruential method and mid square method.

THEORY

Linear Congruential Method is a class of Pseudo Random Number Generator (PRNG) algorithms used for generating sequences of random-like numbers in a specific range.

$$X_{n+1} = (aX_n + c) \bmod m, \quad n \geq 0, X_n \text{ is chosen } [0, m-1], n \geq 0$$

Approach :

- choose $X_0 \bmod m$, multiplier a & increment term c .
 - Initialize reqd amount of random numbers to generate (say, an integer variable `noOfRandomNums`).
 - Define size `noOfRandomNums`.
 - Initialize 0th index of vector with seed value.
 - Now use, $\text{randomNums}[i] = ((\text{randomNums}[i-1] * a) + c) \% m$
- Finally, return the random numbers.

PROGRAM

```
import java.util.*;
class GFG {
    static void linearCongruentialMethod (int x0, int m, int a, int c,
        int[] randomNums, int noOfRandomNums)
    {
        randomNums[0] = x0;
        for (int i = 1; i < noOfRandomNums; i++)
        {
            randomNums[i] = ((randomNums[i-1] * a) + c) % m;
        }
    }
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int x0 = 5;
        int m = 7;
        int a = 3, c = 3;
        int noOfRandomNums = 10;
    }
}
```

```

int[] RandomNums = new int [noOfRandomNums];
LinearCongruentialMethod (x0, m, a, c, randomNums, noOfRandomNums);
for (int i=0; i<noOfRandomNums; i++)
{
    System.out.print (randomNums[i] + " ");
}
}
}

```

Output:

5 4 1 6 0 3 5 4 1 6

Generate Random Numbers Using Mid Square

Proposed by Van Neumann. In this method, we have seed & seed is squared & its mid-term is fetched as random numbers. Suppose a N number is squared & becomes $2N$, if it does not become $2N$ then we add zeros to make $2N$.

A good algorithm is one which does not depend on seed & period should be maximally long that it should almost touch every number in its range before it starts repeating itself as a rule of thumb remember that longer the period more random is the number.

Example:

Number	-->	Square	-->	Mid-term
14	-->	0196	-->	19
19	-->	0361	-->	36
36	-->	1296	-->	29
29	-->	0841	-->	84
84	-->	7056	-->	05
05	-->	0025	-->	02
02	-->	0004	-->	00
00	-->	0000	-->	00

Implementation:

```
import java.util.Random;

public class Main {
    static int rangeArray[]
        = {1, 10, 100, 1000, 10000, 100000, 1000000, 10000000,
           100000000};
    static long middleSquareNumber(long num, int digit) {
        long sqn = num * num, nextNum = 0;
        int trim = (digit / 2);
        sqn = sqn / rangeArray[trim];
        for (int i = 0; i < digit; i++) {
            nextNum += (sqn % (rangeArray[trim])) * (rangeArray[i]);
            sqn = sqn / 10;
        }
        return nextNum;
    }

    public static void main (String args[]) {
        int numberOfDigit = 3;
        int start = rangeArray[numberOfDigit - 1],
            end = rangeArray[numberOfDigit];
        Random rand = new Random();
        long nextNumber = rand.nextInt(end - start) + start;
        System.out.print("The random numbers for the Geeks  
are: \n" + nextNumber + ", ");
        for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++) {
            nextNumber = middleSquareNumber(nextNumber, numberOfDigit);
            System.out.print(nextNumber + ", ");
        }
    }
}
```

Output:

The random numbers for the Geeks are:

325, 562, 584, 105, 102, 40, 160, 560, 360, 960

CONCLUSION

Hence, we successfully generated random numbers using linear congruential method & mid square method.

