



# Univariate Simulation

## Computational Statistics Assignment 2

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## Monte Carlo integration

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots \sim U(-1.9, 2)$  and define

$$S_n = 30 + \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$$

We'll be considering ruin probabilities of the form

$$p(n) = P(\exists k \leq n : S_k \leq 0) \stackrel{(\dagger_1)}{=} \mathbb{E} [I_{(\exists k \leq n : S_k \leq 0)}]$$

Where  $\dagger_1$  is the key that let's us use monte carlo integration i.e. SLLN. In particular, we'll be estimating  $p(100)$  by

$$p(100) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N I_{(\exists k \leq 100 : S_k \leq 0), i}$$

With  $N$  realizations of the experiment

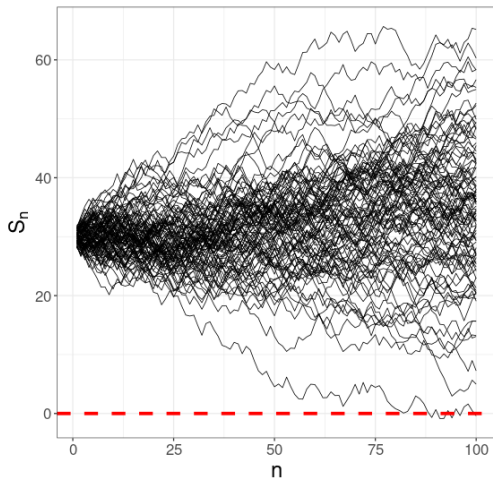
## Used R-libraries

```
library(tidyverse)
library(microbenchmark)
library(Rcpp)
library(profvis)
library(riskRegression) #For colCumSum
ggplot2::theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## Initial (naive) implementation

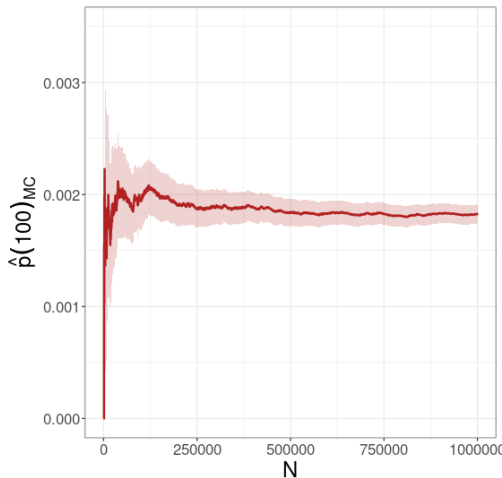
```
capital_flow_calculator <- function(n){  
  X <- runif(n, -1.9, 2)  
  S <- cumsum(X) + 30  
  list(x = seq_along(S), y = S, h = any(S<0))  
}  
  
ruin_probability <- function(n = 100, N = 10000){  
  ruin_vec <- numeric(N)  
  for (i in 1:N){  
    ruin_vec[i] <- capital_flow_calculator(n)$h  
  }  
  list(ruin_prob = mean(ruin_vec), number_of_ruins = sum(ruin_vec),  
       number_of_sim = N, outcomes = ruin_vec)  
}  
}
```

## Visualizing 100 samples



## Evaluation of naive implementation

By the central limit theorem  $\hat{p}(100)_{MC} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}\left(p(100), \frac{\sigma_{MC}^2}{N}\right)$



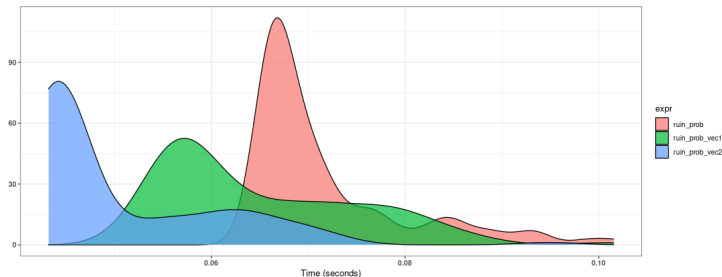
## Discussion of vectorization & profiling

```
ruin_probability_vec2 <- function(n = 100, N){  
  X <- runif(n*N, min = -1.9, max = 2)  
  dim(X) <- c(n, N)  
  S <- riskRegression::colCumSum(X) + 30  
  I <- ifelse(S < 0, TRUE, FALSE)  
  ruin_vec <- colSums(I)>0  
  list(ruin_prob = mean(ruin_vec), number_of_ruins = sum(ruin_vec),  
       running_ruin_prob = cumsum(ruin_vec)/(1:N),  
       number_of_sim = N, outcomes = ruin_vec, path = S)  
}
```

## Initial profiling and benchmarking

With  $N = 10000$ ,  $n = 100$ .

	expr	min	lq	mean	median	uq	max	neval
1	ruin_probability	64.38	66.43	75.26	68.43	74.35	414.51	100
2	ruin_probability_vec1	53.90	56.71	65.12	60.71	72.19	101.14	100
3	ruin_probability_vec2	43.17	43.81	50.27	44.57	55.91	94.82	100





## Importance sampling

Define

$$g_{\theta,n}(x) = \frac{1}{\varphi(\theta)^n} \exp \left( \theta \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right)$$

for  $x \in (-1.9, 2)$  With

$$\varphi(\theta) = \int_{-1.9}^2 \exp(\theta z) dz = \frac{\exp(2\theta) - \exp(-1.9\theta)}{\theta}$$

We simulate with the quantile transformation method. Note

$$Q_{\theta,1}(u) = \frac{\log(u(\exp(2\theta) - \exp(-1.9\theta)) + \exp(-1.9\theta))}{\theta}$$

## Importance sampling (continued)

We cummulative sum realizations like before and check if any entries are negative. Now the estimator is

$$\hat{p}(100)_{IS} = \sum_{i=1}^N w(X_i) \cdot I_{(\exists k \leq n: S_{k,IS} \leq 0)}$$

With

$$w(X_i) = \frac{w^*(X_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n w^*(X_i)}, \quad w^*(X_i) = \exp(-\theta X_i)$$

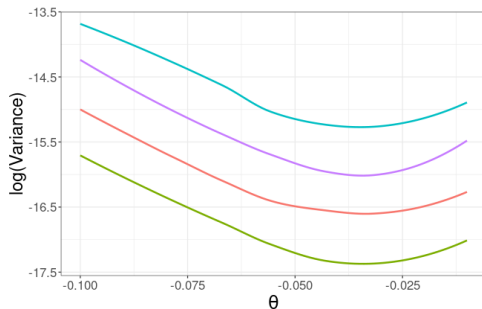
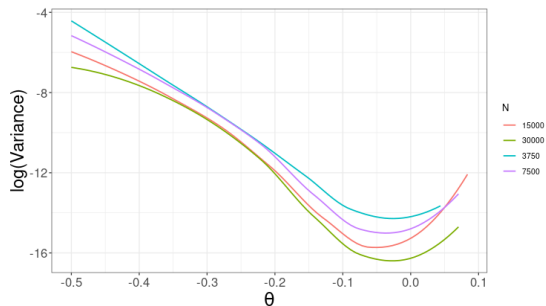
By the  $\Delta$ -method

$$\hat{p}(100)_{IS} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N} \left( p(100), c^{-2} \left( \frac{\sigma_{IS}^2 + p(100)^2 \sigma_w^2 - 2p(100)\gamma}{N} \right) \right)$$

Which gives us a way of picking  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$

## Tuning of $\theta$

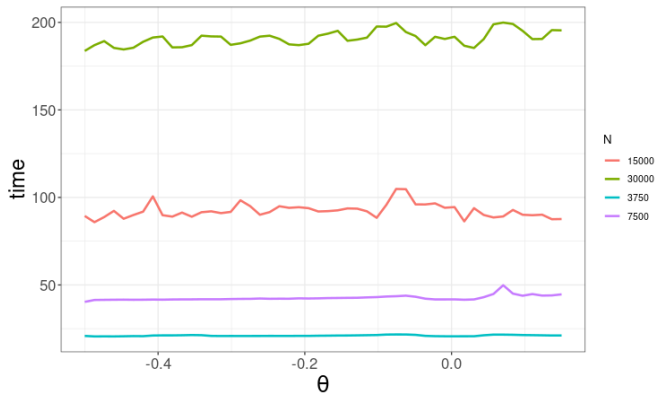
Calculate variance for  $N \in \{3750, 7500, 15000, 30000\}$  and along the sequence  $\theta \in [-0.5, 0.15]$  in 50 points. After which we do a finer search



By finding the lowest value of the variance for each  $N$  and letting  $\theta_{opt}$  be the mean of the corresponding  $\theta$ .

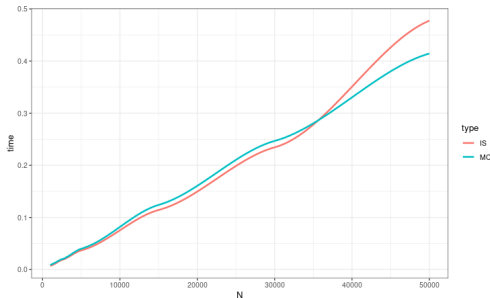
## Tuning of $\theta$ (continued)

For the same values of  $N$  and  $\theta$  we use microbenchmark and extract the median over 50 computations for each to evaluate the performance on a computation time basis.



## Comparing importance sampling and direct implementation

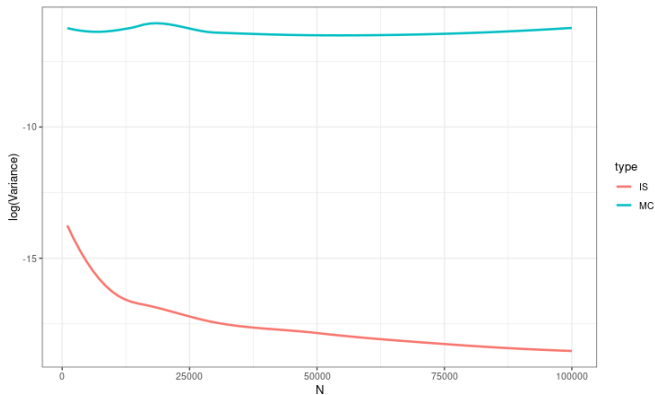
For  $N \in \{1000, 2500, 5000, 7500, 10000, 12500, 15000, 30000, 50000, 75000, 100000\}$  we benchmark the naive MC vs our naive IS.



Seem very similar, although MC might scale a bit better in the end. However...

# Comparison of confidence intervals for MC and IS

We need far fewer computations to have a good estimate



## Rcpp

We try to implement the initial implementation in C++ via the Rcpp package

```
double ruin_probability_cpp(int n, int N) {  
  Rcpp::NumericVector x = Rcpp::runif(n*N, -1.9, 2.0);  
  Rcpp::NumericMatrix m(n, N);  
  std::copy(x.begin(), x.end(), m.begin());  
  Rcpp::NumericMatrix S(n, N);  
  Rcpp::LogicalVector I(N);  
  for(int i = 0; i < N; ++i){  
    Rcpp::NumericVector y = Rcpp::cumsum(m(Rcpp::_ , i));  
    S(Rcpp::_ , i) = y+30;  
    I(i) = any(S(Rcpp::_ , i)<0).is_true();  
  }  
  return Rcpp::mean(I);  
}
```

## Benchmarking of R implementations vs Rcpp implementation

We compare the 3 implementations made in R to or Rcpp implementation for different choices of  $N$ . We plot the median of the computation time

