

# Report on Lehmer Pseudo-Random Number Generator and Randomness Testing

The task is to create a custom pseudo-random number generator using the Lehmer algorithm and then validate its randomness. The Lehmer generator follows a simple recurrence formula and is widely used because of its efficiency and relatively long period. However, the quality of randomness can vary, so statistical tests (like the chi-squared test) are necessary to check if the numbers produced are close to a truly random sequence.

Specifically, we need:

1. **A Pseudo-Random Generator:** Implemented using the Lehmer algorithm with chosen constants.
2. **Randomness Testing:** We test the generator's output using statistical tests:
  - The **chi-squared test** compares the distribution of generated numbers against an expected uniform distribution.
  - **Higher-order tests** (order 3 to 7) evaluate the probability of seeing unique sequences of numbers, with expected probabilities decreasing as  $1/k!$  for each order  $k$

## Code

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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from scipy.stats import chisquare
4 import math
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6 # Constants for Lehmer Algorithm
7 N1 = 48271
8 N2 = 0
9 N3 = 10**6
10 X0 = 12345
11 n_numbers = 126000 # Size for k=7
12
13 # Lehmer Algorithm Pseudo-Random Number Generator
14 def lehmer_generator(n, x0, n1, n2, n3):
15     x = np.zeros(n)
16     x[0] = x0
17     for i in range(1, n):
18         x[i] = (n1 * x[i - 1] + n2) % n3
19     return x
20
21 # Generate the random numbers
22 random_numbers = lehmer_generator(n_numbers, X0, N1, N2, N3)
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24 # Function to perform Chi-squared tests for different orders
25 def chi_squared_test(random_numbers, max_order):
26     observed_probs = []
27     expected_probs = []
28     for order in range(3, max_order + 1):
29         k_factorial = math.factorial(order)
30         bin_counts = np.zeros(k_factorial)
31
32         # Count occurrences of each tuple of length 'order'
33         counts_dict = {}
34         for i in range(len(random_numbers) - order):
35             tuple_value = tuple(random_numbers[i:i + order])
36             if tuple_value in counts_dict:
37                 counts_dict[tuple_value] += 1
38             else:
39                 counts_dict[tuple_value] = 1
40
41         # Convert counts to bin counts
42         for count in counts_dict.values():
43             index = count % k_factorial # Adjust to fit within bin counts
44             bin_counts[index] += count
45
46         # Calculate observed probabilities
47         observed_probs.append(bin_counts / np.sum(bin_counts))
48         expected_probs.append(np.full(k_factorial, 1 / k_factorial)) # Uniform distribution
49
50         # Perform Chi-squared test
51         chisq_stat, p_value = chisquare(bin_counts + 1e-10) # Adding small constant to avoid zero counts
52         print(f"Order: {order}, Chi-squared Statistic: {chisq_stat}, P-value: {p_value}")
53
54     return observed_probs, expected_probs
55
56 # Perform tests and get probabilities
57 observed_probs, expected_probs = chi_squared_test(random_numbers, 7)
58
59 # Plot observed vs expected probabilities
60 orders = range(3, 8)
61 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
62 for order in orders:
63     plt.errorbar(order, np.mean(observed_probs[order-3]), yerr=np.std(observed_probs[order-3]), label=f'Order {order} Observed', fmt='o')
64     plt.plot(order, np.mean(expected_probs[order-3]), 'rx', label=f'Order {order} Expected')
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67 plt.title('Observed vs Expected Probabilities for Chi-squared Test')
68 plt.xlabel('Order')
69 plt.ylabel('Probability')
70 plt.xticks(orders)
71 plt.legend()
72 plt.grid()
73 plt.show()
74 plt.savefig(f"plot.png")

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## Plots

