

# Code task 1

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## a

The `LCG_algorithm` in the `LCG` module implements the LCG algorithm.

```
1 def LCG_algorithm(a,b,m,seed = 2,iterations=20):
2     """
3     Implements the LCG algorithm
4     Outputs: an array of random numbers of size iterations x 1
5     """
6     x = np.zeros(iterations)
7     x[0] = seed
8
9     for i in range(1,iterations):
10         x[i] = (a*x[i-1] + b)%m
11     return x
```

Listing 1: LCG.LCG\_algorithm

`a_test.py` tests the algorithm.

```
1 from LCG import LCG_algorithm
2
3 print(LCG_algorithm(a =2,b=0,m=7))
```

Listing 2: `a_test.py`

`a_test.py` yields the following output

[2. 4. 1. 2. 4. 1. 2. 4. 1. 2. 4. 1. 2. 4. 1. 2. 4.]

## b

The `check_valid` in the `LCG` module check if a sequence of random numbers is valid.

```
1 def check_valid(x,m):
2     """Checks if a sequence x is vaild
3
4     Inputs: x - sequence
5             m
6
7     Output : True if valid
8             False if not valid"""
9     n_non_repeating = np.argwhere(x[0] == x).flatten()[1]
10    if n_non_repeating==m-1:
11        vaild = True
12    else:
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13         vaild = False
14
15     return vaild

```

Listing 3: LCG.check\_valid

b\_test.py checks the valid value of  $a$  when  $b = 0, m = 7$ .

```

1 from LCG import LCG_alogorithm, check_valid
2
3 b,m = 0,7
4 for a in range(1,m):
5     x = LCG_alogorithm(a,b,m,seed = 2,iterations=20)
6     if check_valid(x,m):
7         print(f"a = {a} is valid")

```

Listing 4: b\_test.py

We find that

$a = 3$  is valid

$a = 5$  is valid

## c

For the valid values of  $a$ , values 1 to 6 is are uniform distributed like a real dice. However, the numbers repeat after  $m - 1$  realisations . This makes the random numbers predictable thus the model specified in part b is inadequate.

## d

d\_test.py checks the number valid when  $b = 0, m = 997$ .

```

1 from LCG import LCG_alogorithm, check_valid
2
3 b,m = 0,997
4 count = 0
5 for a in range(1,m):
6     x = LCG_alogorithm(a,b,m,seed = 2,iterations=2000)
7     if check_valid(x,m):
8         count += 1
9
10 print(f"There are {count} vaild")

```

Listing 5: d\_test.py

There are 328 vaild

## e

d\_test.py simulates dice throws for  $a = 825, b = 0, m = 997$ .

```

1 from LCG import LCG_alogorithm
2
3 a,b,m = 825,0,997
4 x = LCG_alogorithm(a,b,m,seed = 2,iterations=50)
5 dice_throws = (x%6)+1
6 print(dice_throws)

```

Listing 6: e\_test.py

e\_test.py yield the follow output.

```
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 6. 3. 2. 2. 4. 5. 2. 3. 4. 3. 1. 3. 3. 6. 1. 2. 4. 5. 2. 6. 3. 5. 4. 1.
 1. 5.]
```

## 1 f

f\_test.py performs 10000 iterations.

```
1 from LCG import LCG_algorithm,prob_of_two_sixs
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import seaborn as sns
4 sns.set_style("darkgrid")
5
6 a,b,m = 825,0,997
7 x = LCG_algorithm(a,b,m,seed = 2,iterations=10000)
8 dice_throws = (x%6)+1
9
10 probabilty_of_two_sixs = prob_of_two_sixs(x)
11
12 print("For 10000 dice rolls")
13 print(f'The empirical probabilyty of rolling two sixs is {
14     probabilty_of_two_sixs}')
15
16 # Plots
17 hist = sns.countplot(x=dice_throws)
18 plt.xlabel("Dice values")
19 plt.ylabel("Frequency")
20 plt.title("Dice throws")
21 plt.savefig("fig/dice_freqency",dpi=250)
22 plt.show(hist)
```

Listing 7: f\_test.py

Figure 1 shows that the empirical probabilities are uniform. For example the probability of rolling a 1 and the probability of rolling a 5 are the same.

For a real dice the probability of roll two sixes in a row is  $1/36$  . However, from our simulation

The empirical probabilty of rolling two sixs is 0.0

Therefore this suggests the algorithm can not sufficiently model a random dice roll for this choice of parameters.

## g

If let  $a = 858$  and us the same parameter from question f, the probabilities are not uniform. Figure 2 shows a clear non-uniform distribution. Thus, the values chosen for the parameters  $a, b, m$  are very important as they greatly impact how 'random' the generated values from the LCG algorithm.

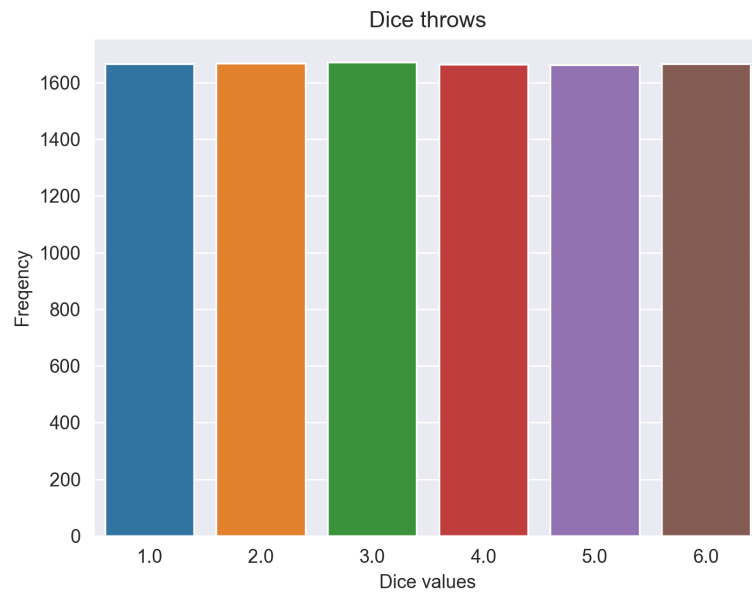


Figure 1: Frequency of each dice throw. Performed for 10000 iteration.  $a,b,m = 825,0,997$ .

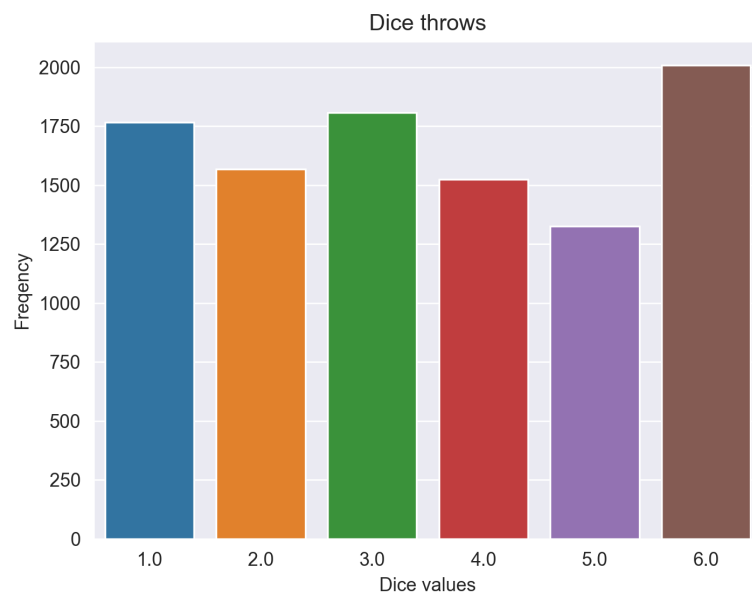


Figure 2: Frequency of each dice throw. Performed for 10000 iteration.  $a,b,m = 858,0,997$ .