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1.) Given the Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution

$$W(v) = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} v^2 e^{-mv^2/2kT}$$

a.) Show

$$\langle v \rangle = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{2kT}{m} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma(2)}{2}$$

b.) Show that the energy fluctuation

$$\frac{1}{4} m^2 \langle (v^2 - \langle v^2 \rangle)^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2} (kT)^2$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (v - \langle v \rangle)^2 \rangle &= \langle v^2 - 2v\langle v \rangle + \langle v \rangle^2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v^2 \rangle - (\langle v \rangle)^2 \\ &= \frac{3kT}{m} - \frac{8kT}{m} = \text{velocity fluctuation} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4} m^2 \langle (v^2 - \langle v^2 \rangle)^2 \rangle &= \langle v^4 \rangle - (\langle v^2 \rangle)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(15(kT)^2 - (3kT)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

2.) Calculate π using the MC method described in the Notes on Day 1 pg 6-7

3.) create Histograms using the RNG and Root.

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3.) steps

a.) login to inca.iac.isu.edu

b.) copy RNG files into your account

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cp ~rforest/NucSim ./
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c.) move to Day 1 subdirectory

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cd NucSim/Day1
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d.) Follow instructions in README file

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less README
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e.) print out one of the histograms
you created. Use ROOT
to put your name in the title of
the histogram