

Assignment_1

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1 Computational Methods in Stochastics - Assignment 1

1.1 Exercise 1

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[52]: import random
import numpy as np
from scipy.stats import moment
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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[53]: X_A = 0.5
X_B = X_A + 1e-3
N = 10000000

def calculate_moments(rand):
    mean = rand.mean()
    var = rand.var()
    moment_2 = var + mean ** 2
    return mean, var, moment_2

def plot_re(ax, x, y, title):
    ax.figure(figsize=[10, 5])
    ax.scatter(x, y, s=70)
    ax.title(title, fontsize=25)
    ax.xlabel('X', fontsize=15)
    ax.ylabel('Y', fontsize=15)
    ax.grid()

def plot_scatter(ax, x, y, title):
    ax.scatter(x, y, s=70)
    ax.set_title(title, fontsize=25)
    ax.set_xlabel('X', fontsize=15)
    ax.set_ylabel('Y', fontsize=15)
    ax.grid()

def plot_compare_RNG(x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3, X_A, X_B):
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 3, figsize=(25, 15))

    plot_scatter(axs[0, 0], x1, y1, 'GGL')
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plot_scatter(axes[0, 1], x2, y2, 'RAN3')
plot_scatter(axes[0, 2], x3, y3, 'Mersenne-Twister')

idx1 = np.argwhere((X_A <= x1) & (x1 <= X_B))
idx2 = np.argwhere((X_A <= x2) & (x2 <= X_B))
idx3 = np.argwhere((X_A <= x3) & (x3 <= X_B))

x1_int, y1_int = x1[idx1], y1[idx1]
x2_int, y2_int = x2[idx2], y2[idx2]
x3_int, y3_int = x3[idx3], y3[idx3]

plot_scatter(axes[1, 0], x1_int, y1_int, 'GGL')
axes[1, 0].set_xlim(left=X_A, right=X_B)

plot_scatter(axes[1, 1], x2_int, y2_int, 'RAN3')
axes[1, 1].set_xlim(left=X_A, right=X_B)

plot_scatter(axes[1, 2], x3_int, y3_int, 'Mersenne-Twister')
axes[1, 2].set_xlim(left=X_A, right=X_B)

plt.show()

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[54]: # Impelementation of GGL
N = 10000000

def GGL(a, m, x_i):
    return (a * x_i) % m

def generate_random_numbers(N, seed=1):
    x_i = seed
    A = 16807
    M = pow(2, 31) - 1

    rand = []
    for _ in range(N):
        x_i = GGL(A, M, x_i)
        norm_x_i = x_i / M
        rand.append(norm_x_i)

    rand = np.array(rand)
    mean, var, moment_2 = calculate_moments(rand)
    return rand, mean, var, moment_2

seed = 1
rand, mean, var, moment_2 = generate_random_numbers(N, seed)

print("Random Numbers:", rand)

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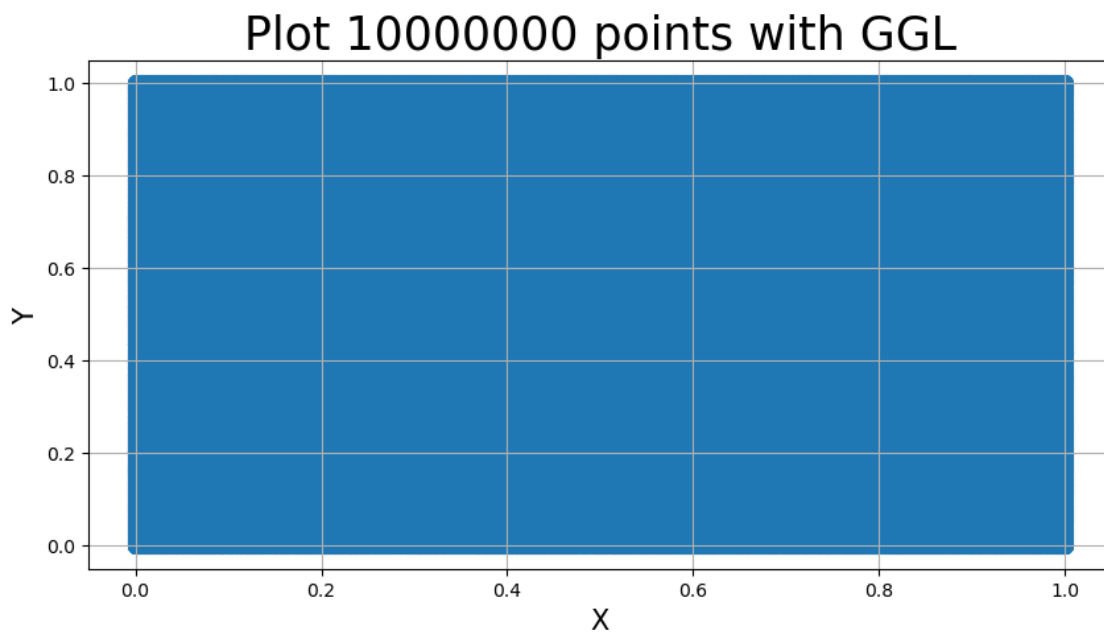
print("Mean:", mean)
print("Variance:", var)
print("Second Moment:", moment_2)

x1 = rand[:,2]
y1 = rand[1:,2]

plot_re(plt, x1, y1, f"Plot {N} points with GGL")
plt.show()

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Random Numbers: [7.82636926e-06 1.31537788e-01 7.55605322e-01 ... 8.94186569e-01
 5.93670704e-01 8.23525705e-01]
 Mean: 0.5000186495299089
 Variance: 0.08331991532406101
 Second Moment: 0.3333385652017749



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[55]: # Implementation of RAN3
def RAN3(x, m):
    return(x[-55] - x[-24]) % m

def initialize_GGL_sequence(seed, A, M, initial_runs):
    x_i = seed
    rand = []
    for _ in range(initial_runs):
        x_i = GGL(A, M, x_i)

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        rand.append(x_i)

    return rand

def generate_random_numbers_RAN(N, seed=1):
    A_GGL = 16807
    M_GGL = 2**31 - 1
    M_RAN3 = 10**9
    initial_runs = 55
    rand = initialize_GGL_sequence(seed, A_GGL, M_GGL, initial_runs)
    for i in range(N):
        x_i = RAN3(rand, M_RAN3)
        rand.append(x_i)

    rand = np.array(rand[initial_runs:]) / M_RAN3
    return rand

rand = generate_random_numbers_RAN(N, seed)
mean, var, moment_2 = calculate_moments(rand)

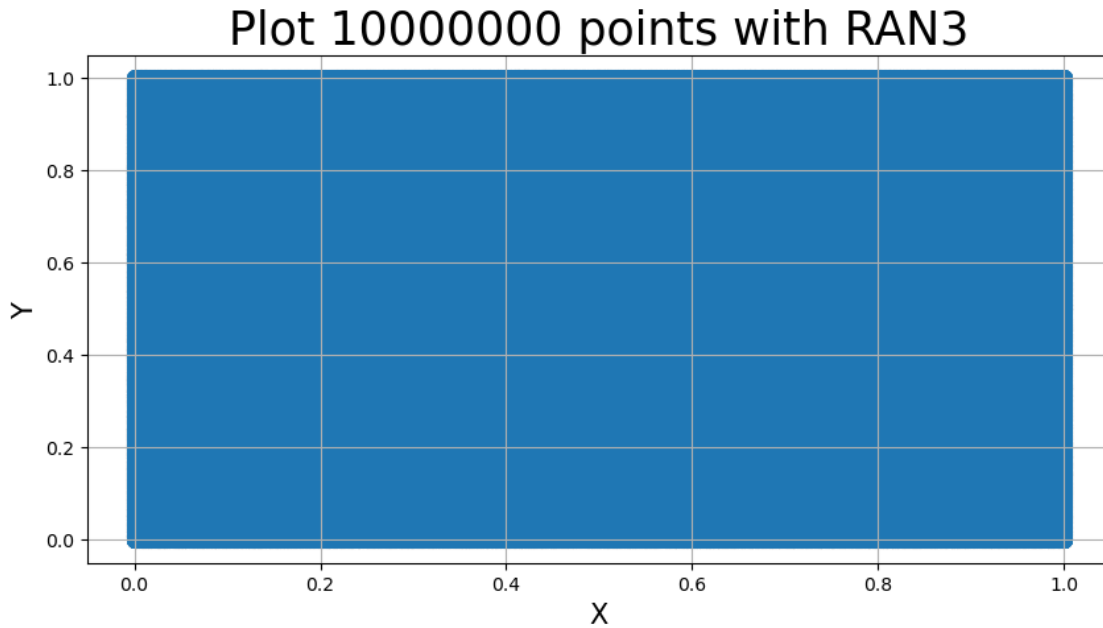
print("Random Numbers:", rand)
print("Mean:", mean)
print("Variance:", var)
print("Second Moment:", moment_2)

x2 = rand[:,2]
y2 = rand[1:,2]

plot_re(plt, x2, y2, f"Plot {N} points with RAN3")
plt.show()

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Random Numbers: [0.36320898 0.71886174 0.52072081 ... 0.80877529 0.22287116
 0.27082482]
 Mean: 0.499908230264785
 Variance: 0.08334129200438642
 Second Moment: 0.3332495306908557



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[56]: # Implement built-in random generator
def generate_random_numbers_python(N):
    rand = [random.random() for _ in range(N)]
    rand = np.array(rand)
    return rand

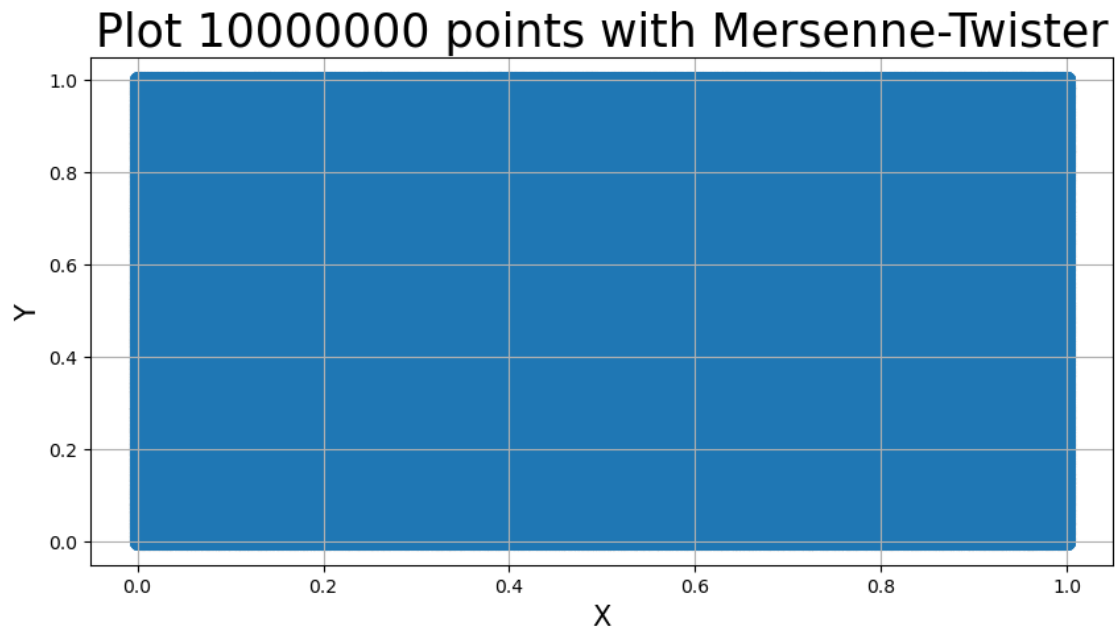
rand = generate_random_numbers_python(N)
mean, var, moment_2 = calculate_moments(rand)

print("Random Numbers:", rand)
print("Mean:", mean)
print("Variance:", var)
print("Second Moment:", moment_2)

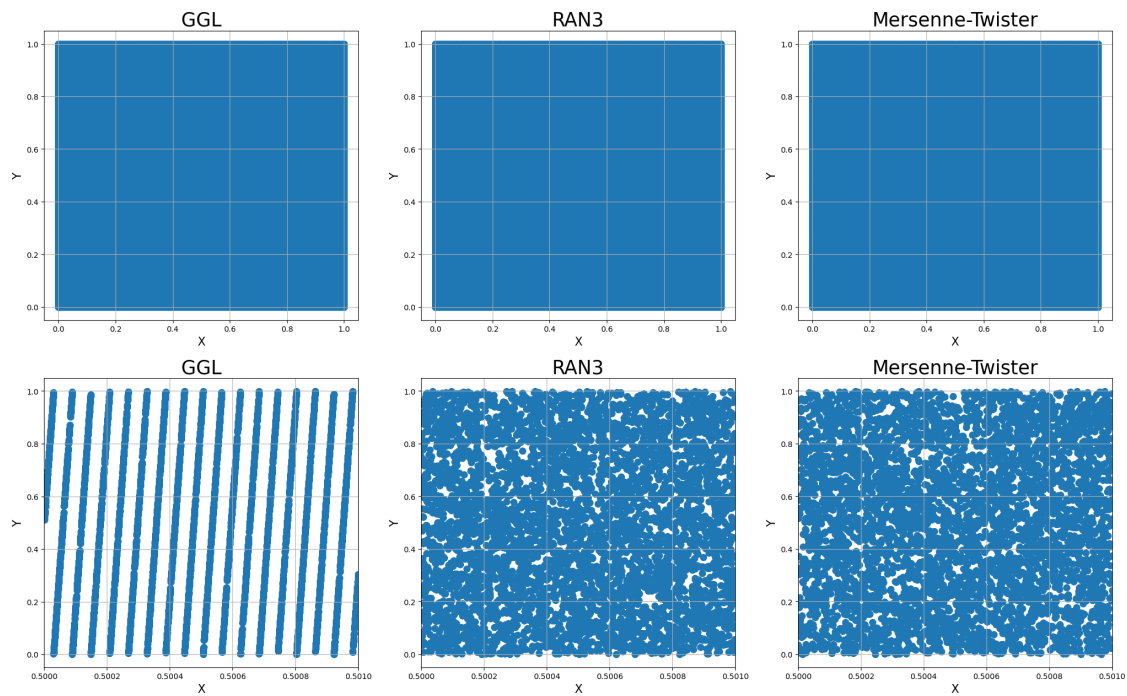
x3 = rand[:,2]
y3 = rand[1:,2]

plot_re(plt, x3, y3, f"Plot {N} points with Mersenne-Twister")
plt.show()
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Random Numbers: [0.16367179 0.5309345 0.0027475 ... 0.21692468 0.36398741
0.88374355]
Mean: 0.4997878401089634
Variance: 0.08338951712006178
Second Moment: 0.3331774022408445
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[57]: # Plot comparison fig
X_A = 0.5
X_B = X_A + 1e-3
plot_compare_RNG(x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3, X_A, X_B)
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From the plots, it's evident that the randomly generated points closely adhere to a uniform distribution within the range of $X \sim U(0,1)$ and $Y \sim U(0,1)$. With a larger sample size, specifically when $N = 20,000$ (where N represents the number of generated points), the points comprehensively cover the entire unit square defined by $(0,1) \times (0,1)$.

Furthermore, it's worth noting that all three random number generators perform well in meeting the moment test criteria. For $k = 1$, they exhibit a mean value of approximately 0.5, indicating that the generated points are centered around the midpoint of the interval. Additionally, for $k = 2$, the second moment is approximately 0.33, confirming the spread and dispersion of the points within the unit square.

The second row of plots zooms in on a narrow interval, specifically the range $[0.5000, 0.5001]$. At smaller sample sizes, it can be challenging to discern significant differences between the generators. However, by restarting the notebook with a larger N value exceeding 20,000, subtle distinctions between the generators become more apparent and observable.

1.2 Exercise 2

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[58]: # Utils cell
def generate_agents(nr_agents, nr_interactions, manipulation_func):
    agents = np.full((nr_agents,), 50)

    for i in range(nr_agents):
        for _ in range(nr_interactions):
            u = np.random.random()
            agents[i] = manipulation_func(u, agents[i])

    return agents

def plot_histograms(agents, bins, log=False):
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, len(bins), figsize=(15, 2))

    for i, num_bins in enumerate(bins):
        axs[i].hist(agents, edgecolor='b', bins=num_bins, linewidth=1,
        density=True)
        axs[i].set_xlabel('Optimism/Pessimism', fontsize=10)
        axs[i].set_title(f'Hist with {num_bins} bins')
        axs[i].grid()

    if log:
        axs[i].set_yscale('log')

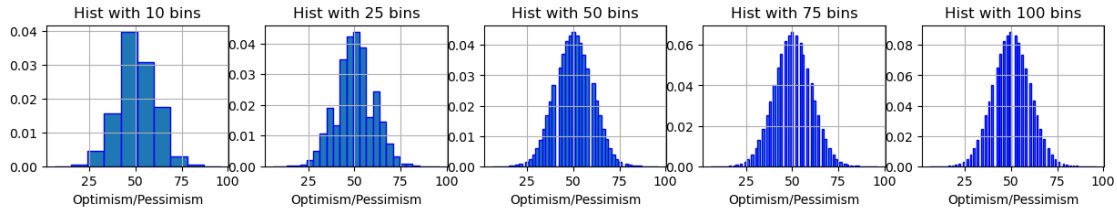
    plt.show()
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1.2.1 Exercise 2.a)

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[63]: NR_AGENTS = 500000
NR_INTERACTIONS = 100

def manipulation_func_a(u, agent_value):
    value = -1 if u >= 0.5 else 1
    return agent_value + value

agents_a = generate_agents(NR_AGENTS, NR_INTERACTIONS, manipulation_func_a)
plot_histograms(agents_a, bins=[10, 25, 50, 75, 100])
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From the plots above, it's evident that the distribution exhibits characteristics reminiscent of a Gaussian distribution, especially as the number of bins increases. This phenomenon exemplifies one of the most renowned concepts in statistics: the Central Limit Theorem.

We can conceptualize the optimism/pessimism of each individual as a random variable, denoted as S_i . This variable represents the sum of a constant value (50) and 100 independent uniform discrete random variables ($U_i \sim U\{-1, 1\}$). Mathematically, this can be expressed as:

$$S_i = 50 + U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_{100}$$

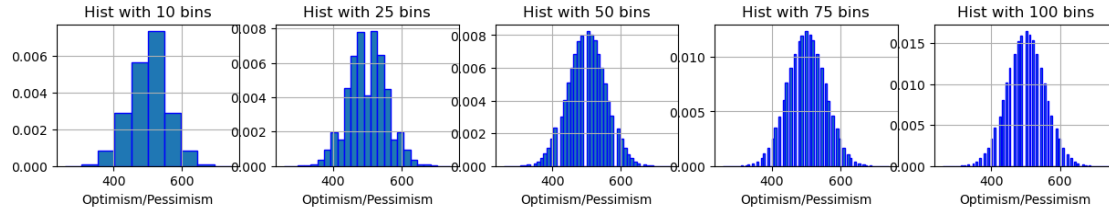
In this scenario, each S_i follows a normal distribution with an expected value of $E[S_i] = 50$ and a variance of $Var[S_i] = 100$.

1.2.2 Exercise 2.b)

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[64]: NR_AGENTS = 500000
NR_INTERACTIONS = 100

def manipulation_func_b(u, agent_value):
    value = -0.5 if u >= 0.5 else 10
    return agent_value + value

agents_b = generate_agents(NR_AGENTS, NR_INTERACTIONS, manipulation_func_b)
plot_histograms(agents_b, bins=[10, 25, 50, 75, 100])
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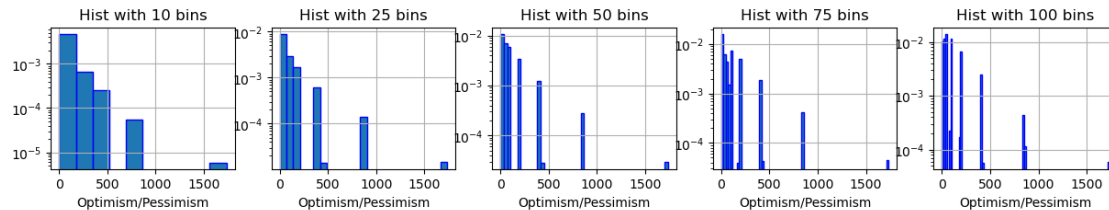
Similar to point **2.a** we obtain a Gaussian distribution, the only differences are the mean and the variance. These differences are given because the distribution of the random variable is changed from a $U\{-1, 1\}$ to $U\{-0.5, 10\}$.

1.2.3 Exercise 2.c)

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[65]: NR_AGENTS = 500000
NR_INTERACTIONS = 10

def manipulation_func_c(u, agent_value):
    mult = 1/0.7 if u >= 0.5 else 0.7
    return agent_value * mult

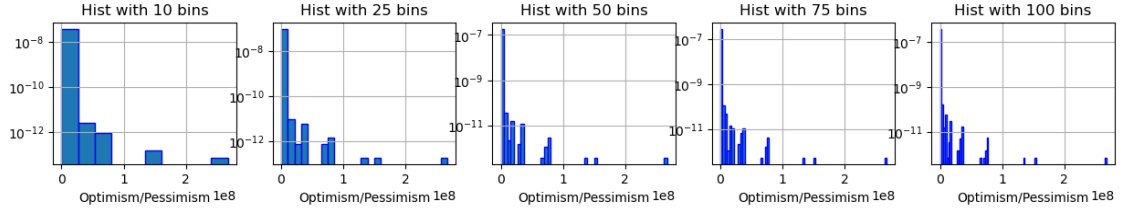
agents_c = generate_agents(NR_AGENTS, NR_INTERACTIONS, manipulation_func_c)
plot_histograms(agents_c, bins=[10, 25, 50, 75, 100], log=True)
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Although this last exercise showcases the Central Limit Theorem, the outcome resembles a Log-normal distribution because it's influenced by a multiplicative process.

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[66]: NR_AGENTS = 500000
NR_INTERACTIONS = 100

agents_d = generate_agents(NR_AGENTS, NR_INTERACTIONS, manipulation_func_c)
plot_histograms(agents_d, bins=[10, 25, 50, 75, 100], log=True)
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In this second part, I attempted to plot the outcome of the multiplicative process after 100 interactions. The challenge with this representation is that the optimism/pessimism scale ranges from 0 to 3×10^8 .