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# Pseudocode for estimating pi using the circle method
set.seed(2053) # remember to set the random number seed so that you can reproduce your
output if you end up needing to hunt bugs
# Let's assume the square has length 2, and is centered at (0,0)
# Set circle radius
CircleRadius<-1
NumberOfTrials<-10000
                         # how many random points to generate
NumberOfPointsInsideCircle<-0 # this will count how often the point lands inside the
circle
# do the expteriment - here's one way to do it
# Start the clock
ptm <- proc.time()</pre>
for (i in 1:NumberOfTrials){
  # generate a random point in the square
  XCoordinate<-runif(1,0-CircleRadius,CircleRadius)</pre>
  YCoordinate<-runif(1,-CircleRadius,CircleRadius)
  # check whether it falls within the circle (i.e. the distance to the origina is less
than Circle Radius). If so, set NumberOfPointsInsideCircle<-NumberOfPointsInsideCircle+1
  if (sqrt(XCoordinate^2 + YCoordinate^2) <= CircleRadius)</pre>
      NumberOfPointsInsideCircle<-NumberOfPointsInsideCircle+1
 }
ProportionOfPointsInCircle<-NumberOfPointsInsideCircle/NumberOfTrials
# and then do the math to produce you estimate of pi - yours to write
MyPi<-4*ProportionOfPointsInCircle
# Stop the clock
proc.time() - ptm
# Here's another way -is it quicker than the other version?
# Start the clock
ptm <- proc.time()</pre>
AllXCoordinate<-runif(NumberOfTrials,-CircleRadius,CircleRadius)
AllYCoordinate<-runif(NumberOfTrials,-CircleRadius,CircleRadius)
# Now check what proportion of these points fall within the circle - yours to write
# and then do the math to produce you estimate of pi - yours to write
# create a vector of TRUE and FALSE variables of whether each (X,Y) coordinate falls
within the circle
MyTruthTable<-sqrt(AllXCoordinate^2 + AllYCoordinate^2) <= CircleRadius
# calculate the proportion
ProportionOfPointsInCircle<-length(MyTruthTable[MyTruthTable==TRUE])/NumberOfTrials
MyPi<-4*ProportionOfPointsInCircle
# Stop the clock
proc.time() - ptm
# if you are feeling fancy, write some code to plot your points and the circle and
square, or your estimate of pi as you perofrm the iterations
# Now you will need to write some code to repeat the above for different sizes of circle
(i.e. different values of CircleRadius)
# this will be easiest if you turn the above into functions
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