

Notation: here is a brief summary of the notation used in this worksheet.

- $p(X = x)$  is equal to the probability density function;
- Capital letters such as  $X$  stand for the random variable.

## Exercise 1 (Inversion and Rejection)

1. Let  $F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$  and  $U \sim Unif[0, 1]$ :

$$F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda(x-a)} \mathbb{I}_{\{X \geq a\}} = U$$

$$-\ln(1 - U) = \lambda(x - a)$$

$$F_X^{-1}(U) = a - \frac{\ln(1 - U)}{\lambda}$$

To simulate  $X$  from  $U$ , just simulate value from  $U$  and substitute in the formula above.

2. Let  $X = Y \mid a \leq Y \leq b$ . First, let's show that  $X = F_Y^{-1}(F_Y(a)(1 - U) + F_Y(b)U)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) &= \mathbb{P}(F_Y^{-1}(F_Y(a)(1 - U) + F_Y(b)U) \leq x) = \mathbb{P}(F_Y^{-1}(F_Y(a) + U[F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)]) \leq x) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(F_Y(a) + U[F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)] \leq F_Y(x)) = \mathbb{P}\left(U \leq \frac{F_Y(x) - F_Y(a)}{F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)}\right) = \frac{F_Y(x) - F_Y(a)}{F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)} \end{aligned}$$

Note that since  $x \in [a, b]$ :

$$\mathbb{P}(Y \leq x \mid a \leq Y \leq b) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(Y \leq x, a \leq Y \leq b)}{\mathbb{P}(a \leq Y \leq b)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(a \leq Y \leq x)}{F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)} = \frac{F_Y(x) - F_Y(a)}{F_Y(b) - F_Y(a)} = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$$

Now that we proved the above relation, to simulate an exponential conditioned on  $\geq a$ , we first generate  $U \sim Unif[0, 1]$ , then, for  $Y \sim Expo(\lambda)$ :

$$F_Y(y) = 1 - e^{-\lambda y} \therefore F_Y^{-1}(U) = \frac{-\ln(1 - U)}{\lambda}$$

$$X = \frac{-\ln(1 - (1 - U)F_Y(a) + U)}{\lambda} = \frac{-\ln(e^{-\lambda a} + U \cdot e^{-\lambda a})}{\lambda} = a - \frac{\ln(1 - U)}{\lambda}$$

The formula yields the same solution as the one obtained using inversion.

3. Let  $q \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda)$ , and  $\pi(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(x-a)} \mathbb{I}_{x \geq a}$ :

Note that  $M = \max_x \pi(x)/q(x) = e^{\lambda a}$ , since  $\pi(x)/q(x) = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda(x-a)}}{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}} = e^{\lambda a}$

$\therefore$

In the rejection method, we sample  $x_i \sim q$ ,  $u \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$ , then we accept a sample  $x_i$  if  $u_i \leq \frac{\pi(x_i)}{Mq(x_i)}$ .

Hence,

- If  $x \leq a \implies \pi(x) = 0 \implies u \leq 0 \therefore x_i$  is rejected;
- If  $x > a \implies \pi(x) = 1 \implies u \leq 1 \therefore x_i$  is accepted;

Which is the same procedure described in the question, implying that it is equal to the rejection algorithm.

Finally, the expected number of trials is equal to  $M = e^{\lambda a}$ . Therefore, for  $a \gg 1/\lambda$ , the expected number of trials becomes very large (greater computational cost), while this problem doesn't happen with inversion, since every sample is used.

**Exercise 2 (Rejection)**

1. Let  $A$  be the event where the value is accepted at some point, while  $A_b$  is accepted at step (b) and  $A_c$  is accepted at step (c):

In step (b) we have:

$$\mathbb{P}(x \in A_b) = \frac{h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)}$$

In step (c) we have:

$$\mathbb{P}(x \in A_c) = \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x) - h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x) - h(x)}$$

Since step (b) is independent of (c),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(x \in A) &= \mathbb{P}(x \in A_b \cup x \in A_c) = \\ &= \mathbb{P}(x \in A_b) + \mathbb{P}(x \in A_c) - \mathbb{P}(x \in A_b \cap x \in A_c) = \\ &= \frac{h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)} + \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x) - h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x) - h(x)} + \frac{h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)} \cdot \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x) - h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x) - h(x)} = \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)} \end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $B$  be an arbitrary event.

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in B \mid X \in A) = \mathbb{P}(X \in B \cap X \in A) / \mathbb{P}(X \in A) \therefore$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in B \cap X \in A) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_B(x) \mathbb{I}\left(u \leq \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)}\right) q(x) du dx$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in B \cap X \in A) = \int_B \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)} \tilde{q}(x) \cdot Z_q^{-1} dx$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in B \cap X \in A) = \frac{\pi(B) \cdot Z_\pi}{M \cdot Z_q}$$

Finally,

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in A) = \frac{Z_\pi}{M \cdot Z_q} \therefore \mathbb{P}(X \in B \mid X \in A) = \frac{\pi(B) Z_\pi}{M Z_q} \cdot \frac{M Z_q}{Z_\pi} = \pi(B)$$

3. We want to show that:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{Step (c) is necessary}) = 1 - \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} h(x) dx}{M Z_q}$$

First, note that  $\mathbb{P}(\text{Step (c) is necessary}) = \mathbb{P}(X \text{ not accepted in step(b)})$ , hence:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \text{ not accepted in step(b)}) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X \in A_b) = 1 - \mathbb{P}\left(U \leq \frac{h(X)}{M\tilde{q}(X)}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X \in A_b) &= \mathbb{P}(X \in \mathcal{X} \cap X \in A_b) = \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{X}}(x) \mathbb{I}\left(u \leq \frac{h(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)}\right) du dx = \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{h(x)\tilde{q}(x)}{M\tilde{q}(x)Z_q} dx = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} h(x) dx}{MZ_q} \therefore \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{Step(c) is necessary}) &= 1 - \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} h(x) dx}{MZ_q}\end{aligned}$$

4. We want to calculate the probability of not having to evaluate  $\tilde{p}i(x)$ , which is equal to the probability of accepting the sample in step (b).

First, we know that:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \text{ is accepted in step(b)}) = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} h(x) dx}{MZ_q}$$

Note that  $h(x) \geq 0$ , therefore  $1 - x^2/2 \geq 0 \therefore -\sqrt{2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{2}$ .

Hence,  $h(x) = 0, \forall x \notin [-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} h(x) dx &= \int_{-\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} dx = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x|} dx &= Z_q = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = 2(-[e^{-\infty} - e^0]) = 2\end{aligned}$$

$$M = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x)}{\tilde{q}(x)} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{e^{-|x|}} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} e^{-x^2/2+|x|}$$

For  $x \geq 0$ , we have  $\frac{d}{dx}(x - x^2/2) = 1 - x = 0 \implies x = 1$ .

For  $x < 0$ , we have  $\frac{d}{dx}(-x - x^2/2) = -1 - x = 0 \implies x = -1$ . Hence,  $M = \sqrt{e}$ .

Finally, we have:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \text{ is accepted in step(b)}) = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} h(x) dx}{MZ_q} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot \sqrt{e}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2e^{-1}}}{3}$$

It can be beneficial to use this algorithm instead of the standard rejection sampling procedure because this algorithm can be more computationally efficient.

**Exercise 3 (Transformation)**

1. Let  $V = \arctan(U_2/U_1)$  and  $Y = U_1^2 + U_2^2 \leq 1$ . We want to show that:

$$p_{Y,V}(y, \theta) = \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]}(y) \frac{\mathbb{I}_{[0,2\pi]}(\theta)}{2\pi}$$

First, note that  $p_{Y,V}(y, \theta) = p_{U_1,U_2}(u_1, u_2) \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right|$

$$\left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial u_1} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u_2} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial u_2} \end{array} \right|^{-1} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} 2u_1 & \frac{1}{1+(u_1/u_2)^2} \cdot \frac{-1u_2}{u_1^2} \\ 2u_2 & \frac{1}{1+(u_1/u_2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{u_1} \end{array} \right|^{-1} = \frac{2}{1+(u_2/u_1)^2} + \frac{2(u_2/u_1)^2}{1+(u_2/u_1)^2} =$$

$$= \frac{2}{1+\theta^2} + \frac{2(1+\theta^2)}{1+\theta^2} = 2$$

$$p_{Y,V}(y, \theta) = p_{U_1,U_2}(u_1, u_2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = p_{U_1,U_2}(\sqrt{y}\cos(\theta), \sqrt{y}\sin(\theta)) \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

Note that  $p_{U_1,U_2}(\sqrt{y}\cos(\theta), \sqrt{y}\sin(\theta))$  is a uniform distribution over a circle of radius  $\sqrt{y} \leq 1$ , therefore, it's normalizing constant is equal to  $\pi y$ , which is the area of the circle of radius  $\sqrt{y}$ . With that we can write:

$$p_{Y,V}(y, \theta) = \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]}(y) \frac{\mathbb{I}_{[0,2\pi]}(\theta)}{2\pi}$$

2. We have shown that  $p_{Y,V}(y, \theta) = \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]}(y) \frac{\mathbb{I}_{[0,2\pi]}(\theta)}{2\pi}$ . Since we can factor the functions of  $Y$  and  $V$ , this means that they are independent and that  $Y \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$ ,  $V \sim \text{Unif}[0, 2\pi]$ .

Note that for  $Z = \sqrt{-2\log(Y)}$ :

$$X_1 = Z \frac{U_1}{\sqrt{Y}} = Z \cos(V), X_2 = Z \frac{U_2}{\sqrt{Y}} = Z \sin(V)$$

Therefore, we get the Box-Muller algorithm, hence the proof proceeds accordingly to show that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent standard normal distributions.

3. In this approach it is not necessary to calculate the trigonometric functions (cosine and sine) which are computationally expensive.

**Exercise 4 (Transformation)**

1. Let
- $W = V/U$
- .

$$p_{W,U}(w, u) = p_{U,V}(u, v) \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial u}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial u} \end{array} \right|$$

$$p_{U,V}(u, v) \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{-u}{w} & 1 \\ u & w \end{array} \right| = p_{W,U}(w, u) = p_{U,V}(u, v) \cdot 2u$$

$$p_W(w) = \int_{\mathbb{U}} p_{W,U}(w, u) du = 2 \int_{\mathbb{U}} u \cdot p_{U,V}(u, v) du$$

Note that  $p_{U,V}(u, v) = \frac{\mathbb{I}_G(u, v)}{Z_G}$ , hence:

$$p_W(w) = \frac{2}{Z_G} \int_{\mathbb{U}} u \cdot \mathbb{I}_G(u, v) du = \frac{2}{Z_G} \int_0^{\sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(w)}} u du = \frac{2}{Z_G} [u^2/2]_0^{\sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(w)}} = \frac{\tilde{\pi}(w)}{Z_G} = \frac{\tilde{\pi}(w)}{Z_{\pi}}$$

2. Let
- $R = \left( \left[ 0, \sup_x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)} \right], \left[ \inf_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}, \sup_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)} \right] \right)$
- .

Since  $G = \{(u, v) \mid 0 \leq u \leq \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(v/u)}\}$ , it's evident that

$$\inf_G u = 0, \sup_G u = \sup_x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)} \implies u \in [0, \sup_x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}]$$

Note that, for  $x = v/u$ :

$$0 \leq u \leq \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(v/u)} \implies 0 \leq v/x \leq \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(v/u)} \therefore 0 \leq v \leq x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(v/u)}, \forall x \neq 0$$

Then, similarly to  $u$ , we have:

$$\inf_G v = \inf_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}, \sup_G v = \sup_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)} \implies v \in [\inf_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}, \sup_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}]$$

We conclude that  $G \subset R$ .

To sample uniformly in  $G$ , first:

- Generate  $u_i \sim \text{Unif}[0, \sup_x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}]$  and
- Generate  $v_i \sim \text{Unif}[\inf_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}, \sup_x x \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(x)}]$

Then, accept  $(u_i, v_i)$  if  $0 \leq u_i \leq \sqrt{\tilde{\pi}(v_i/u_i)}$ , where  $\tilde{\pi}(x)$  is a probability density function.

3. Let  $\tilde{\pi}(x) = \exp(-x^2/2)$ .

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \exp(-x^2/2) = \exp(0) = 1$$

$$\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} x \sqrt{\exp(-x^2/2)} = 0$$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} x \sqrt{\exp(-x^2/2)} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} x \cdot \exp(-x^2/4)$$

Note that:

$$\frac{d}{dx} x \cdot \exp(-x^2/4) = \exp(-x^2/4) - \frac{x^2}{2} \exp(-x^2/4) = 0 \implies x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} x \sqrt{\exp(-x^2/2)} = \sqrt{2 \exp(-2/2)} = \sqrt{2 \exp(-1)}$$

$$U \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1], V \sim \text{Unif}[0, \sqrt{2 \exp(-1)}]$$

Therefore, generate samples from  $U$  and  $V$ . For the sample  $(u, v)$ , if  $0 \leq u \leq \sqrt{2 \cdot \exp(-v^2/u^2)}$ , then accept  $x = v/u$ , which will be a sample from  $\tilde{\pi}(x)$ .

**Exercise 5 (Rejection and Importance Sampling)**

1. Let  $A = \text{sample is accepted in step (a)}$ .

$$q^*(x) = p(X = x \mid X \in A) = \frac{P(X \in A \mid X = x)p(X = x)}{p(X \in A)} = \frac{P(U \leq \min\{1, \frac{\pi(x)}{q(x) \cdot c}\} \mid X = x)q(x)}{P(X \in A)}$$

$$P(X \in A) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} P(X \in A \mid X = x)q(x)dx = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \min\{1, \frac{\pi(x)}{q(x) \cdot c}\}q(x)dx = Z_c$$

Hence,

$$q^*(x) = \frac{\min\{1, \frac{\pi(x)}{q(x) \cdot c}\}q(x)}{Z_c} = \frac{\left(P(U \leq 1) \cdot \mathbb{I}_{\{\frac{w(x)}{c} \geq 1\}}(x) + \frac{\pi(x)}{q(x)c} \mathbb{I}_{\{\frac{w(x)}{c} < 1\}}(x)\right)q(x)}{Z_c}$$

$$q^*(x) = \frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{\frac{w(x)}{c} \geq 1\}}(x) \cdot q(x) + \frac{\pi(x)}{c} \mathbb{I}_{\{\frac{w(x)}{c} < 1\}}(x)}{Z_c}$$

2. For  $w^*(x) = \pi(x)/q^*(x)$ , we want to show that:

$$E_{q^*}([w^*(X)]^2) = Z_c E_q(\max\{w(X), c\}w(X))$$

First:

$$E_{q^*}([w^*(X)]^2) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} w(x)^2 \cdot q^*(x)dx = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{\pi(x)^2}{q^*(x)}dx = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{\pi(x)w(x)Z_c}{\min\{1, w(x)/c\}}dx$$

$$E_q(\max\{w(X), c\}w(X)) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} w(x)q(x)\max\{w(X), c\}dx = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \pi(x)\max\{w(X), c\}dx$$

Now, note that:

- If  $w(x)/c < 1 \therefore w(x)/\min\{1, w(x)/c\} = w(x)c/w(x) = c \therefore \max\{w(X), c\} = c$
- If  $w(x)/c \geq 1 \therefore w(x)/\min\{1, w(x)/c\} = w(x) \cdot 1 = w(x) \therefore \max\{w(X), c\} = w(x)$

Hence,

$$w(x)/\min\{1, w(x)/c\} = \max\{w(X), c\}$$

With that, we conclude:

$$E_{q^*}([w^*(X)]^2) = Z_c \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{\pi(x)w(x)}{\min\{1, w(x)/c\}}dx = Z_c \int_{\mathcal{X}} \pi(x)\max\{w(X), c\}dx$$

$$E_{q^*}([w^*(X)]^2) = Z_c E_q(\max\{w(X), c\}w(X))$$



3. Couldn't solve.

4. We want to show that  $\mathbb{V}_{q^*}(w^*(X)) \leq \mathbb{V}_q(w(X))$ .

We will use the results from items (2) and (3), even though item (3) was not properly proven.

First, using (3) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} E_q(w(X)^2) &= \frac{1}{c} E_q(w(X)^2 \cdot c) \geq \frac{1}{c} E_q(\max\{w(X), c\} w(X)) E_q(\min\{w(x), c\}) \\ E_q(w(X)^2) &\geq \frac{1}{c} \frac{E_{q^*}(w(X)^2) E_q(\min\{w(x), c\})}{Z_c} \end{aligned}$$

Note that:

- If  $w(X) > c$ , then  $\min\{w(X), c\}/c = w(X)/c$ ;
- If  $w(X) \leq c$ , then  $\min\{w(X), c\}/c = 1$ .

Hence,  $\min\{w(X), c\}/c = \min\{1, w(x)/c\}$ , which implies:

$$\frac{E_q(\min\{w(x), c\})}{c} = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \min\{w(x), c\} \cdot \frac{q(x)}{c} dx = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \min\{1, w(x)/c\} \cdot q(x) dx = Z_c$$

Therefore:

$$E_q(w(X)^2) \geq E_{q^*}(w(X)^2)$$

**Exercise 6 (Rejection and Importance Sampling)**

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\pi}_X(x) &= \int_0^1 \tilde{\pi}_{X,U}(x, u) p_U(u) du = \int_0^1 \tilde{\pi}_{X,U}(x, u) du = \\
&= \int_0^1 (\mathbb{I}_{[0, w(x)/M]}(u) \cdot Mq(x) + \mathbb{I}_{[w(x)/M, 1]}(u) \cdot 0) du = \int_0^{w(x)/M} Mq(x) du = \\
&= Mq(x) \cdot w(x)/M = \pi(x)
\end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $\hat{I}_n$  be the estimate using important sampling, and  $\hat{I}_r$  be the one using rejection sampling.

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_0^1 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \tilde{\pi}_{X,U}(x, u) dx du = \frac{\int_0^1 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \tilde{\pi}_{X,U}(x, u) dx du}{\int_0^1 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \tilde{w}(x, u) \tilde{q}(x, u) dx du} = \frac{E_q[\phi(x) \tilde{w}(x, u)]}{E_{\tilde{q}}[\tilde{w}(x, u)]} \implies \\
\hat{I}_n &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(x_i) \tilde{w}(x_i, u_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{w}(x_i, u_i)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(x_i) \tilde{\pi}(x_i, u_i) / \tilde{q}(x_i, u_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\pi}(x_i, u_i) / \tilde{q}(x_i, u_i)} =
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $n$  be the number of trials in the simulation,  $n_a$  be the number of accepted samples from these trials, and  $x^{(a)}$  the accepted samples.

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(x_i) \cdot \mathbb{I}(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]} \cdot Mq(x) / (q(x) \cdot \mathbb{I}(u)_{[0, 1]})}{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]} \frac{Mq(x)}{q(x) \mathbb{I}(u)_{[0, 1]}}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(x_i) I(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]}}{\sum_{i=1}^n I(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]}}$$

In the rejection sampling we have:

$$\hat{I}_r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_a} \phi(x_i^{(a)})}{n_a}$$

Finally, note that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n I(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]} &= n_a \\
\sum_{i=1}^n \phi(x_i) I(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_a} \phi(x_i^{(a)})
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\hat{I}_n = \hat{I}_r$ .

3. We want to show that  $\mathbb{V}_q(w(X)) \leq \mathbb{V}_{\tilde{q}_{X,U}}(\tilde{w}(X, U))$ .

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned} E_q[w(X)] &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \pi(x)q(x)/q(x)dx = 1 \therefore \\ V_q(w(X)) &= E_q[w(X)^2] - E_q[w(X)]^2 = E_q[w(X)^2] - 1 \\ E_{\tilde{q}}[\tilde{w}(X, U)] &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} \int_0^1 \tilde{\pi}(x, u)\tilde{q}(x, u)/\tilde{q}(x, u)dudx = 1 \therefore \\ V_{\tilde{q}}(\tilde{w}(X, U)) &= E_{\tilde{q}}[\tilde{w}(X, U)^2] - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we only need to show that  $E_q[w(X)^2] \leq E_{\tilde{q}}[\tilde{w}(X, U)^2]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\tilde{q}}[\tilde{w}(X, U)^2] &= \int_0^1 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{\tilde{\pi}(x, u)^2}{\tilde{q}(x, u)} dx du = \int_0^1 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{M^2 q(x)^2 \mathbb{I}(u)_{[0, w(x)/M]} dx du}{q(x)} dx du = \\ &= M^2 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \int_0^{w(x)/M} q(x) du dx = M^2 \int_{\mathcal{X}} \frac{w(x)q(x)}{M} dx = M \cdot E_q[w(X)] = M \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using rejection we know that:

$$Mq(x) \geq \pi(x) \implies Mq(x)w(x) \geq \pi(x)w(x) \implies M \int_{\mathcal{X}} q(x)w(x)dx \geq \int_{\mathcal{X}} \pi(x)w(x)dx$$

Which means that  $\mathbb{V}_q(w(X)) \leq \mathbb{V}_{\tilde{q}_{X,U}}(\tilde{w}(X, U))$ .

4. Couldn't solve.