

# Statistical Computing HW 1

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```
## Set seed  
set.seed(1234)
```

## Problem 3.2)

### Question

If  $x_0 = 3$  and

$$x_n = (5x_{n-1} + 7) \bmod 200$$

find  $x_1, \dots, x_{10}$ .

### Answer

The code below finds  $x_1, \dots, x_{10}$ :

```
# Create a dataframe to store the values  
df2 <- data.frame(x_i=c(0:10), equals=rep(0,11))  
  
# Initialize x0 = 3  
df2[1,2] = 3  
  
# Loop for x1 to x10  
for (i in 1:10){  
  df2[i+1, 2] = (5*df2[i, 2]+7) %% 200  
}
```

```
# Print results  
kable(df2)
```

x_i	equals
0	3
1	22
2	117
3	192
4	167
5	42
6	17
7	92
8	67
9	142
10	117

## Problem 3.5)

### Question

Use simulation to approximate

$$\int_{-2}^2 e^{x+x^2} dx$$

Compare answer with the exact answer if known.

### Answer

#### 1) Derivation

A change of variables is needed. Let:

$$y = \frac{x+2}{4}$$

This is a one to one (increasing) function that maps the interval  $(-2, 2)$  to  $(0, 1)$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 4y - 2 \\ dx &= 4 dy \end{aligned}$$

Substituting these values in the integral we get:

$$\int_{-2}^2 e^{x+x^2} dx = \int_0^1 e^{4y-2+(4y-2)^2} (4) dy$$

Let:

$$h(y) = e^{4y-2+(4y-2)^2} (4) dy$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 e^{4y-2+(4y-2)^2} (4) dy &= \int_0^1 h(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 h(y)(1) dy \\ &= E(h(y)), \quad Y \sim U(0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

The final integral is then the expected value of  $h(y)$ , where  $Y$  is a standard uniform random variable.

#### 2) Algorithm

- 1) Generate  $y$  from  $U(0, 1)$
- 2) Evaluate  $h(y)$ , store value
- 3) Repeat (1) and (2) 100000 times
- 4) Find the average of the 100000 values

### 3) Simulation

```
# initialize a vector of length 10000
vector <- rep(0, 100000)

# loop to generate y values and evaluate h(y)
for(i in 1:100000){
  # generate random number from U(0,1)
  y <- runif(1)
  # evaluate and store h(y)
  vector[i] <- exp(4*y-2+(4*y-2)^2)*4
}

# compute the average
average <- mean(vector)
average
```

```
## [1] 93.49606
```

The average value of the 100000  $h(y)$  values is 93.4960624.

### 4) Analytical Result

To my knowledge, there is no simple way to integrate this function. WolframAlpha provides an estimate of 93.1628 however.

## Problem 3.6)

### Question

Use simulation to approximate

$$\int_0^{\infty} x(1+x^2)^{-2} dx$$

Compare answer with the exact answer if known.

### Answer

#### 1) Derivation

First, it worthwhile to check that this integral converges. This will be done in Part 4 of the answer, and it will be shown that it does in fact converge. To use simulation, a change of variables is needed. Let:

$$y = \frac{x}{x+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{x+1}$$

This is a one to one (increasing) function that maps the interval  $(0, \infty)$  to  $(0, 1)$ . Then:

$$x = \frac{y}{1-y}$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{(1-y)^2} dy$$

Then making the change of variables, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty x(1+x^2)^{-2} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{y}{1-y} \left( 1 + \left( \frac{y}{1-y} \right)^2 \right)^{-2} \frac{1}{(1-y)^2} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y}{(1-y)^3 (1 + (\frac{y}{1-y})^2)^2} dy \end{aligned}$$

Then let:

$$h(y) = \frac{y}{(1-y)^3 (1 + (\frac{y}{1-y})^2)^2}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{y}{(1-y)^3 (1 + (\frac{y}{1-y})^2)^2} dy &= \int_0^1 h(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 h(y)(1) dy \\ &= E(h(y)), \quad Y \sim U(0,1) \end{aligned}$$

The final integral is then the expected value of  $h(y)$ , where  $Y$  is a standard uniform random variable.

## 2) Algorithm

- 1) Generate  $y$  from  $U(0,1)$
- 2) Evaluate  $h(y)$ , store value
- 3) Repeat (1) and (2) 100000 times
- 4) Find the average of the 100000 values

## 3) Simulation

```
# initialize a vector of length 10000
vector <- rep(0, 100000)

# loop to generate y values and evaluate h(y)
for(i in 1:100000){
  # generate random number from U(0,1)
  y <- runif(1)
  # evaluate and store h(y)
  vector[i] <- y / ((1-y)^3 * (1+(y/(1-y))^2)^2)
}
```

```
# compute the average
average <- mean(vector)
average
```

```
## [1] 0.4998166
```

The average value of the 100000  $h(y)$  values is 0.4998166.

#### 4) Analytical Result

The exact value of the integral can be found (using a change of variable:  $y = x^2$ ,  $dy = 2x \, dx$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^\infty x(1+x^2)^{-2}dx &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2}dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{2x}{(1+x^2)^2}dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1+y)^2}dy \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{1+y} \right]_0^\infty \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(0-1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

The exact value of the integral is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .