

# STAT572 - Homework Assignment 3

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## In-Class Exercises

### Exercise 3: Generate Random Sample Using the Accept-Reject Method

In this exercise we generate the random sample for an rv  $X \sim f(x) = 20x(1-x)^3$ ,  $0 < x < 1$ . The rejection rate for one run to generate a sample size of 1,000 is  $\frac{1,096}{2096} = 0.5229$ , or 52.29%. Which is expected since  $c = 2.1$ .

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gammars.m x csgammp.m x question3pt1.m x ex4_7.m x accept_reject_inclass.m x
1 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
2 % Modified Example 4.4
3 % Computational Statistics Handbook with MATLAB, 2nd Edition
4 % Wendy L. and Angel R. Martinez
5 % In-class Exercise September 18, 2014
6 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
7 c = 2.1; % constant
8 n=1000; % generate 100 rv's
9 % set up the arrays to store variates
10 x = zeros(1,n); % random variates
11 xy = zeros(1,n); % corresponding y values
12 rej = zeros(1,n); % rejected variates
13 rejy = zeros(1,n); % corresponding y values
14 irv=1;
15 irej=1;
16 while irv <= n
17     y = rand(1); % random number from g(y)
18     u = rand(1); % random number for comparison
19     if u <= (20*y*(1-y)^3)/c;
20         x(irv)=y;
21         xy(irv) = u*c;
22         irv=irv+1;
23     else
24         rej(irej)= y;
25         rejy(irej) = u*c; % really comparing u*c<=2*y
26         irej = irej + 1;
27     end
28 end
29 figure(1)
30 plot(x,xy,'o',rej,rejy,'*')
31 axis ([0 1 0 c])
32 title('Accepted/Rejected')
33
34 figure(2)
35 [fr,x]=hist(x);
36 h=x(2)-x(1);
37 bar(x,fr/(n*h),1)
38 title('Frequency Histogram of Random Sample')
39
```

Figure 1: Code of the in-class Accept/Reject random sample exercise.

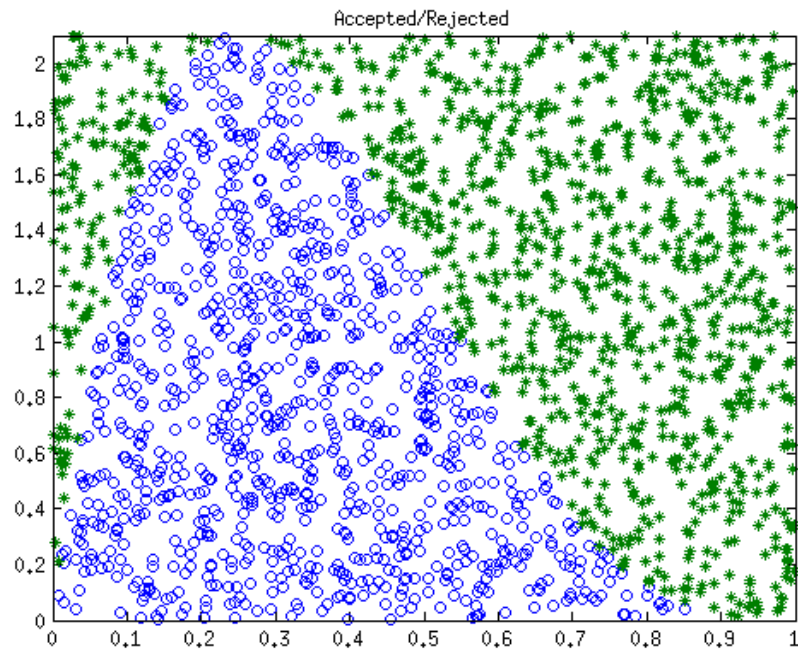


Figure 2: Plot of the in-class Accept/Reject random sample exercise.

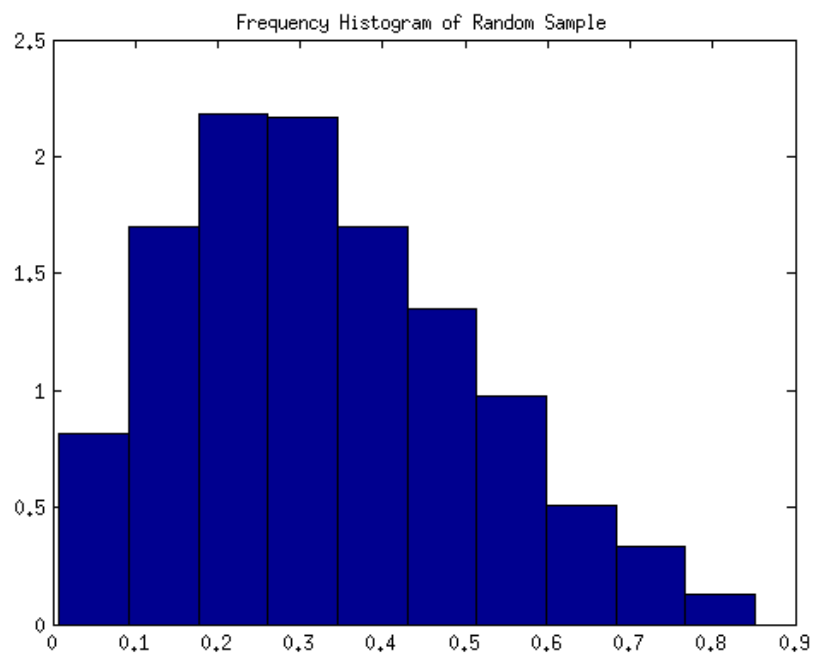
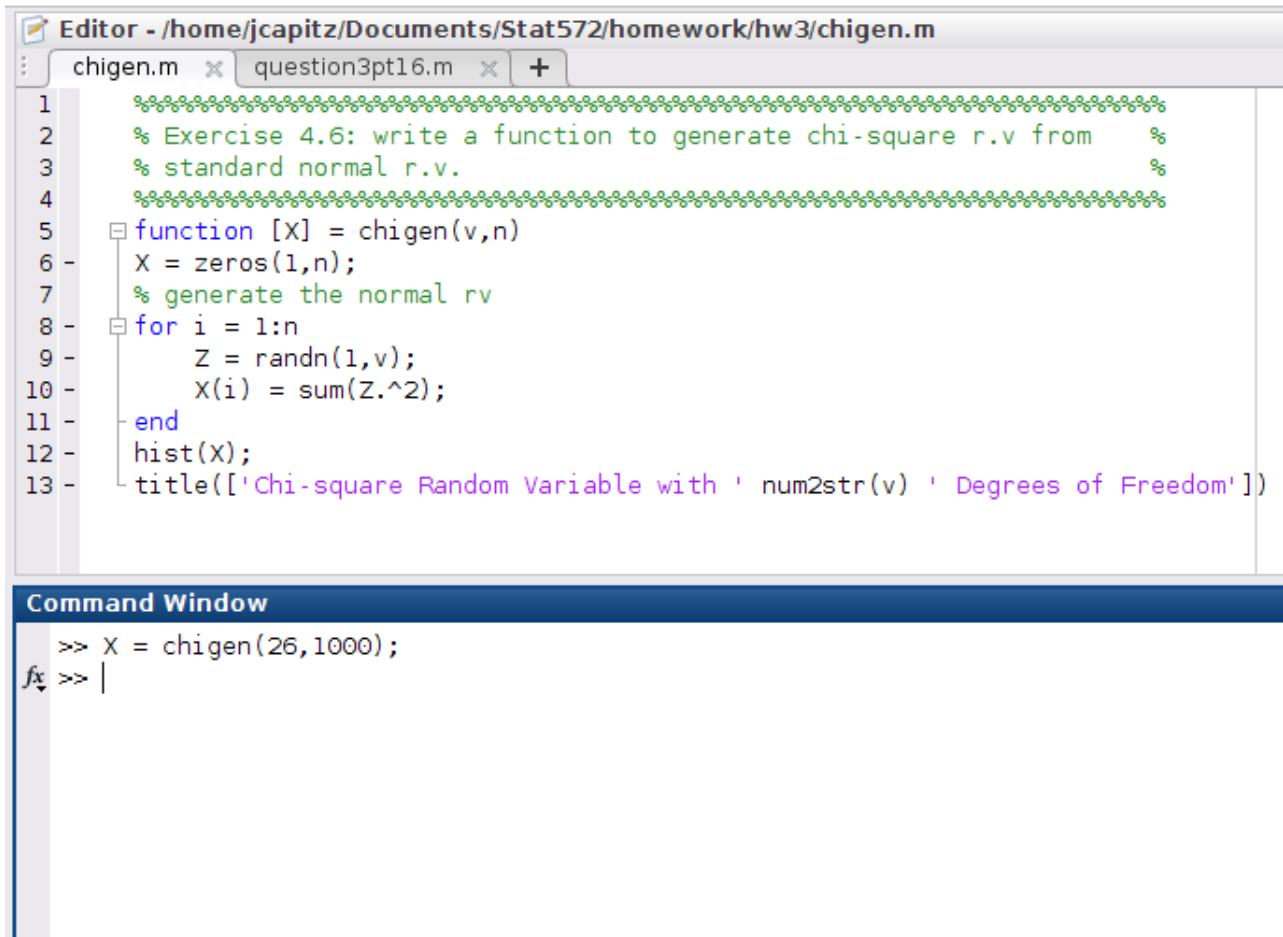


Figure 3: Plot of the in-class Accept/Reject random sample exercise.

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### Exercise 4.6

For this function I defined two input variables:  $\nu$ , which is the desired degrees of freedom for the chi-squared distribution and  $n$ , which is the desired sample size of the chi-square random variable. The simulation below is for  $\nu = 26$  and  $n = 1000$ .



The image shows a MATLAB Editor window with the file `chigen.m` open. The code defines a function `chigen(v,n)` that generates a chi-square random variable. The function initializes `X` as a zero vector of size `1,n`, then enters a loop from `i = 1` to `n`. In each iteration, it generates a standard normal random variable `Z` using `randn(1,v)` and computes `X(i) = sum(Z.^2)`. After the loop, it displays a histogram of `X` using `hist(X)` and titles the plot with `title(['Chi-square Random Variable with ' num2str(v) ' Degrees of Freedom'])`.

```
1 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
2 % Exercise 4.6: write a function to generate chi-square r.v from      %
3 % standard normal r.v.                                             %
4 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
5 function [X] = chigen(v,n)
6     X = zeros(1,n);
7     % generate the normal rv
8     for i = 1:n
9         Z = randn(1,v);
10        X(i) = sum(Z.^2);
11    end
12    hist(X);
13    title(['Chi-square Random Variable with ' num2str(v) ' Degrees of Freedom'])
```

The Command Window shows the execution of the function:

```
>> X = chigen(26,1000);
fx >> |
```

Figure 4: Code for function `chigen()`. It generates Chi-square sample from standard normal sample.

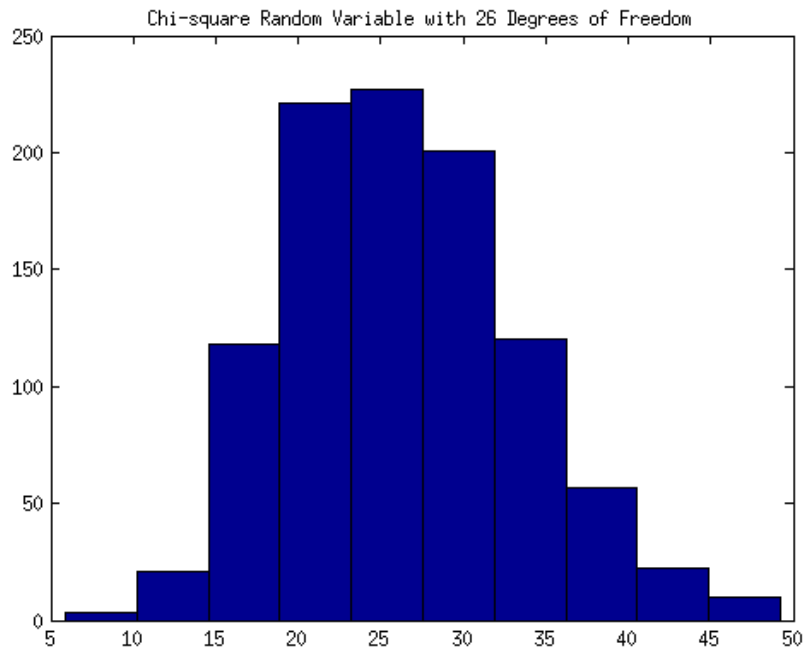


Figure 5: Chi-square random sample histogram, with  $n = 1000$  and 26 degrees of freedom.

### Exercise 4.7

This is an implementation of the algorithm described in exercise 4.7. Figure 6 shows the function I developed to implement the algorithm and generate random samples from the Beta distribution. The user needs to specify the sample size  $n$ , the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . As an example I ran the algorithm with  $n = 10,000$  and  $\alpha = 3$ ,  $\beta = 3$ , see figure 7. I also ran it with  $\alpha = 0.333$ ,  $\beta = 0.333$ , see figure 8. Both histograms show that the random sample comes from a Beta distribution with the given parameters.

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1  %*****
2  % Exercise 4.7: implement the alternative method of generating      %
3  % Beta random variables as described in exercise 4.7 - Martinez    %
4  % This script iterates until a random sample of size n is generated %
5  % User specifies alpha, beta, and the sample size n.                %
6  %*****
7
8  function [X] = betagen(alpha,beta,n)
9  X = [];
10 while length(X) < n
11     for i = length(X)+1:n
12         u1 = rand;
13         u2 = rand;
14         y1 = u1^(1/alpha);
15         y2 = u2^(1/beta);
16         if y1 + y2 <= 1
17             x = y1/(y1 + y2);
18             X = [X,x];
19         end
20     end
21 end
22 figure
23 hist(X)
24 title(['Beta RV with alpha=' num2str(alpha) ' and beta=' num2str(beta)])
25
Command Window
>> betagen(3,3,10000);
>> betagen(1/3,1/3,10000);
fx >>

```

Figure 6:

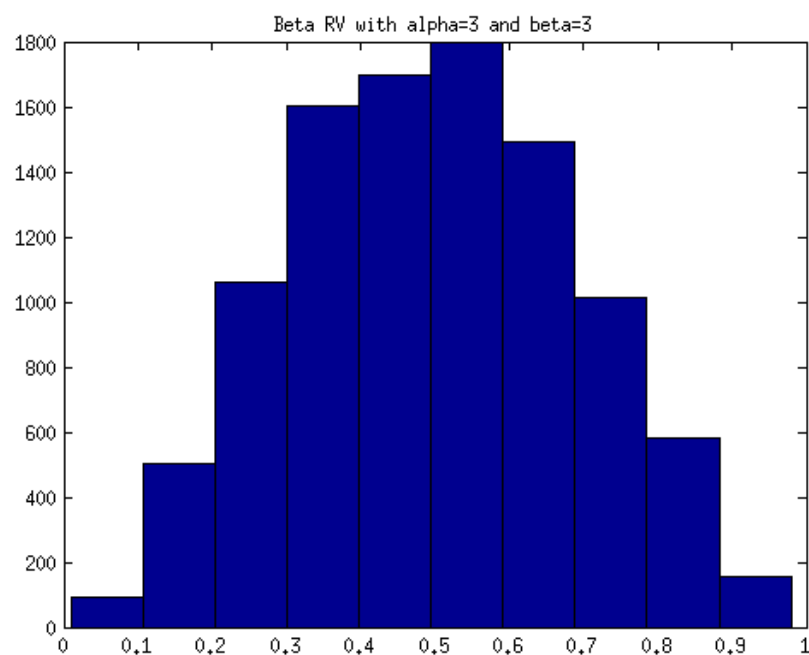


Figure 7: Beta random sample,  $\alpha = 3$ ,  $\beta = 3$ .

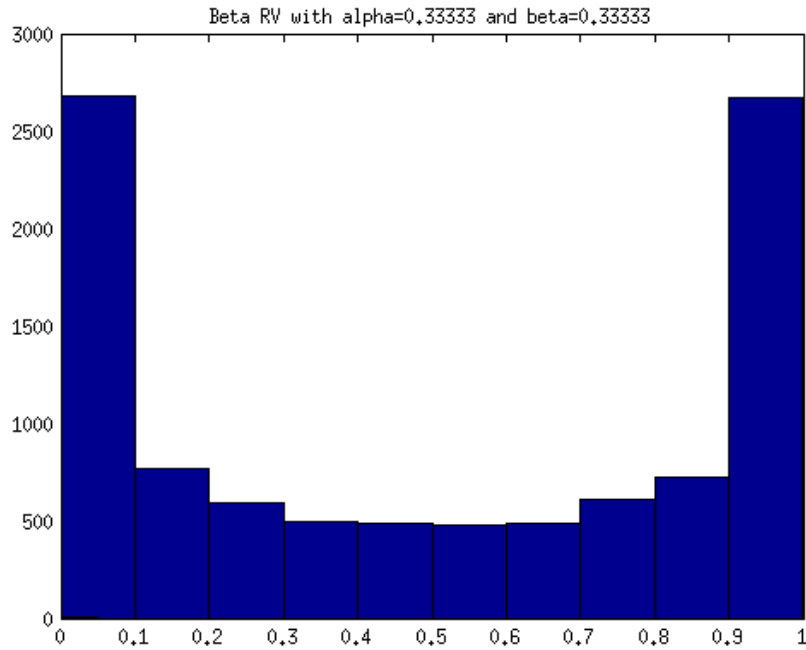
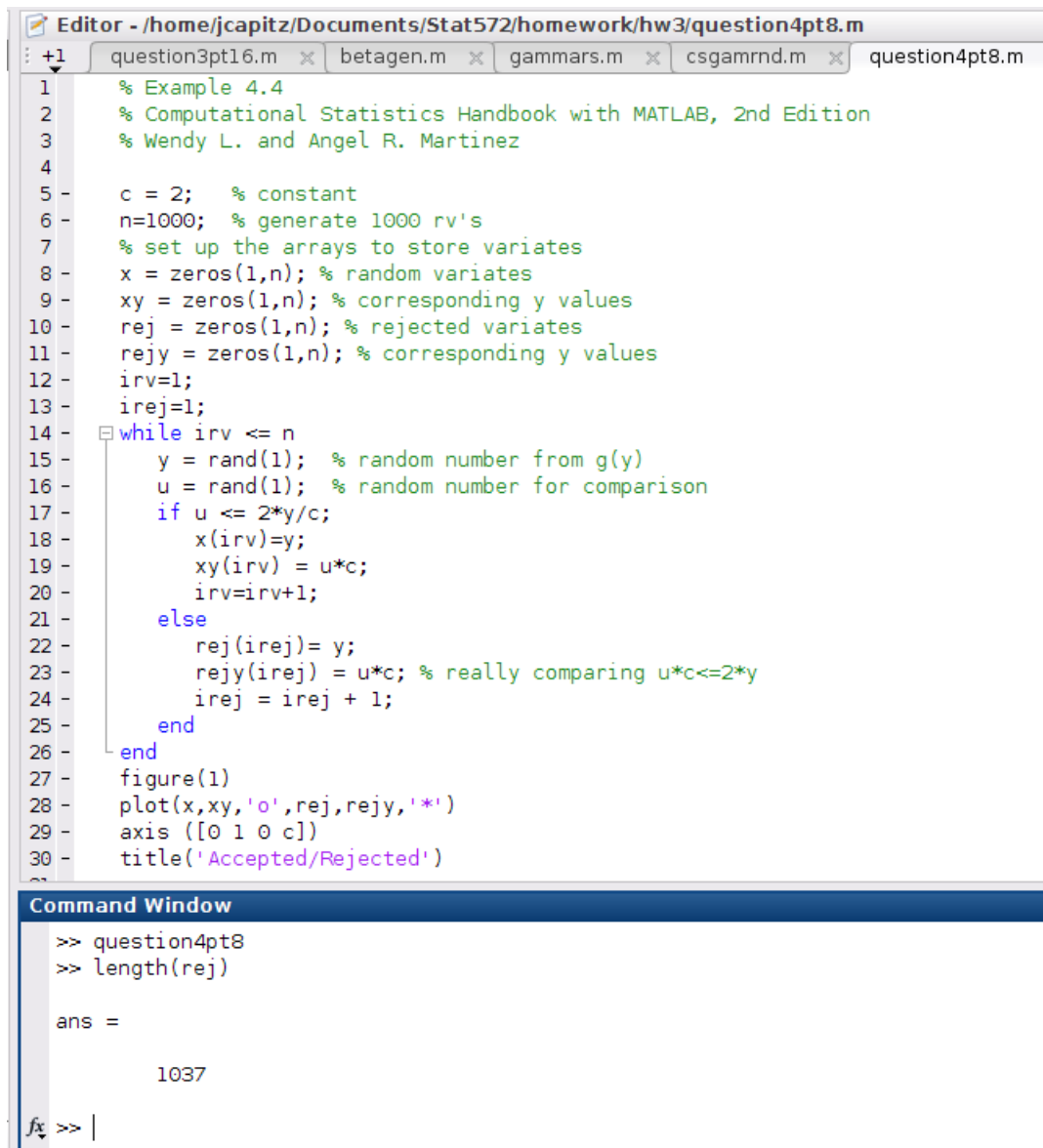


Figure 8: Beta random sample,  $\alpha = 0.333$ ,  $\beta = 0.333$ .

### Exercise 4.8

Rejected is the number of elements in the MATLAB vector *rej*. The number is 1,037. As a percentage, the number of rejected is  $\frac{1,037}{2,037} = 0.5091$ , or 50.91%. The probability that any value is accepted is given by  $\sum_j P(j \text{ is accepted and } y = j) = \sum_j \frac{p_j}{c} = \frac{1}{c}$ . Therefore, on average we need to generate  $c$  values for  $y$  before one is accepted. In this example  $c = 2$  and we observe an acceptance rate of about 50%, which is what would expect based on the theoretical probability of  $\frac{1}{c}$ . Figures 9 and 10 show code implementation and graphical results.



The image shows a MATLAB Editor window with a script titled 'question4pt8.m'. The script implements a rejection sampling algorithm. It sets a constant  $c = 2$  and generates  $n = 1000$  random variates. It then enters a while loop that continues until  $irv \leq n$ . Inside the loop, it generates a random number  $y$  from  $g(y)$  and a random number  $u$  for comparison. If  $u \leq 2y/c$ , it accepts the variate  $y$  and increments  $irv$ . Otherwise, it rejects the variate  $y$  and increments  $irej$ . The script then plots the accepted variates  $x$  and rejected variates  $rej$  on a plot titled 'Accepted/Rejected'.

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3 % Wendy L. and Angel R. Martinez
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6 n=1000; % generate 1000 rv's
7 % set up the arrays to store variates
8 x = zeros(1,n); % random variates
9 xy = zeros(1,n); % corresponding y values
10 rej = zeros(1,n); % rejected variates
11 rejy = zeros(1,n); % corresponding y values
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14 while irv <= n
15     y = rand(1); % random number from g(y)
16     u = rand(1); % random number for comparison
17     if u <= 2*y/c;
18         x(irv)=y;
19         xy(irv) = u*c;
20         irv=irv+1;
21     else
22         rej(irej)= y;
23         rejy(irej) = u*c; % really comparing u*c<=2*y
24         irej = irej + 1;
25     end
26 end
27 figure(1)
28 plot(x,xy,'o',rej,rejy,'*')
29 axis ([0 1 0 c])
30 title('Accepted/Rejected')
```

The Command Window shows the execution of the script:

```
>> question4pt8
>> length(rej)

ans =

    1037
```

The Command Window prompt is `fx >> |`.

Figure 9:

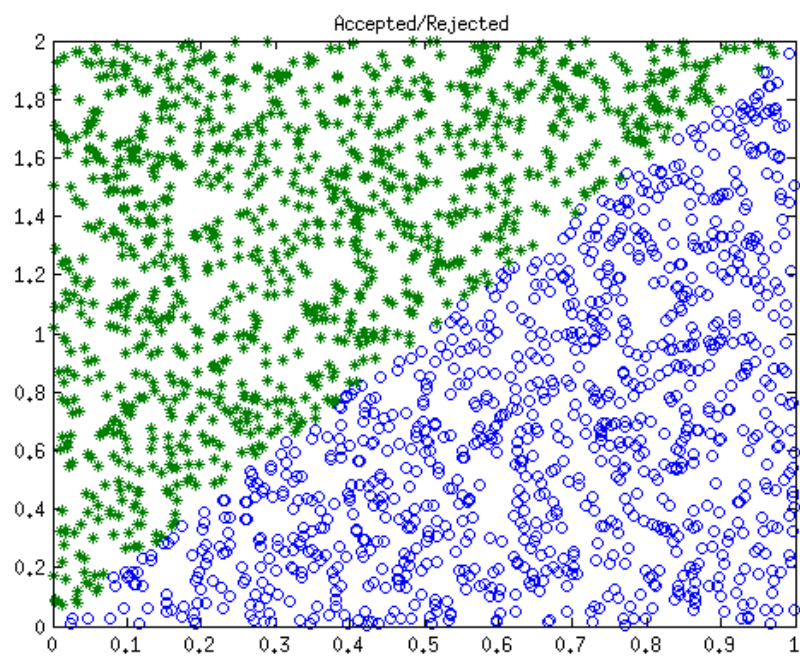


Figure 10:



## Exercise 4.9

In this exercise we generate a random sample of size  $n = 100$  from the probability mass function:

$$p(y) = \begin{cases} 0.15, & \text{if } Y = 1 \\ 0.22 & \text{if } Y = 2 \\ 0.33 & \text{if } Y = 3 \\ 0.10 & \text{if } Y = 4 \\ 0.20 & \text{if } Y = 5 \end{cases}$$

Figure 11 shows the empirical results  $f$  and the theoretical values  $p$ . We see that the distribution of the random closely matches said pmf. I also calculated the number of rejected vs accepted. Generated 191 variables and rejected 91, for a rejection ratio of 47.64%, which makes sense because  $c = 1.65$ , so we expect to reject less than half. Figures 12 and 13 show the graphical results.

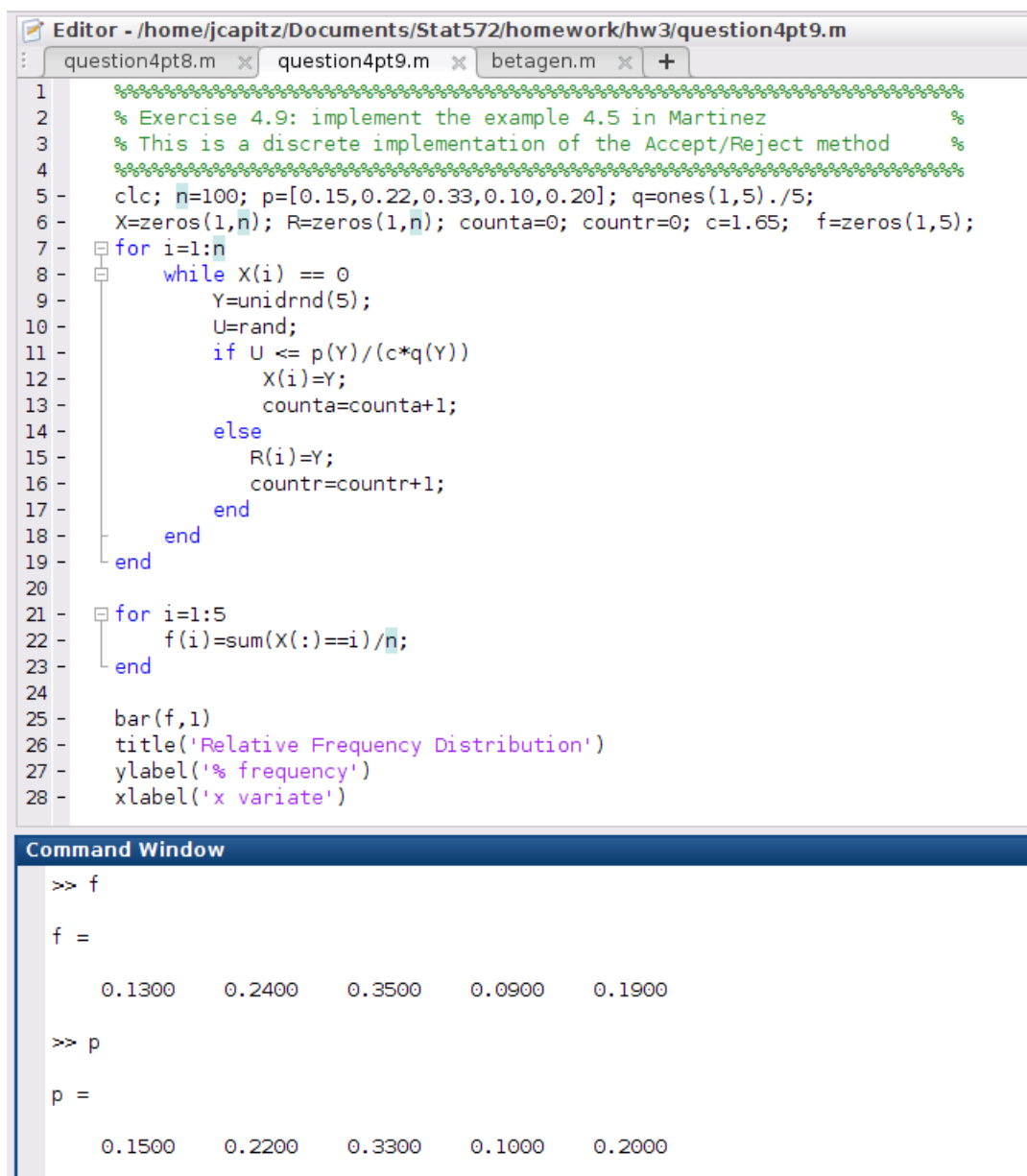


Figure 11:

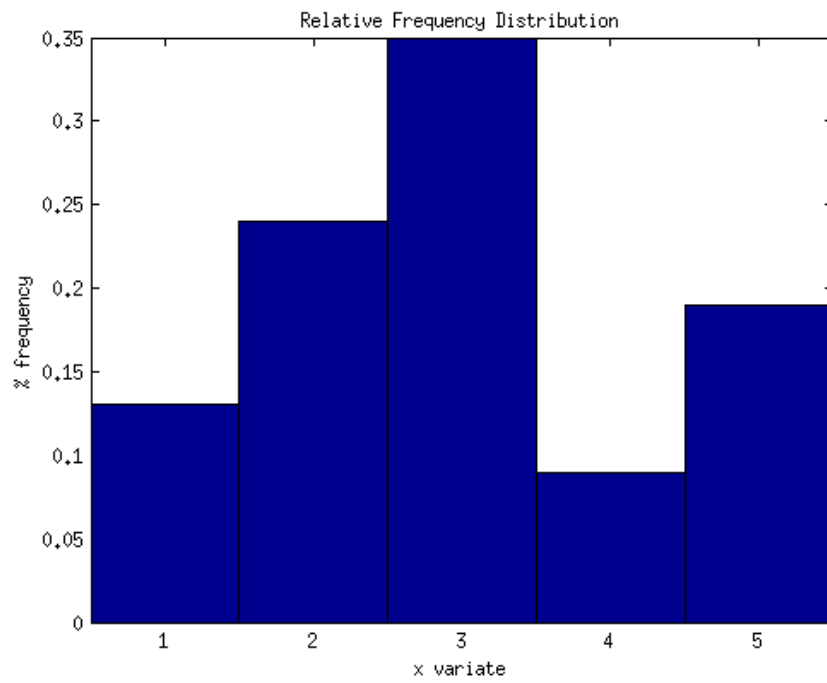


Figure 12: Empirical results of generating a discrete random sample from  $p(y)$ .

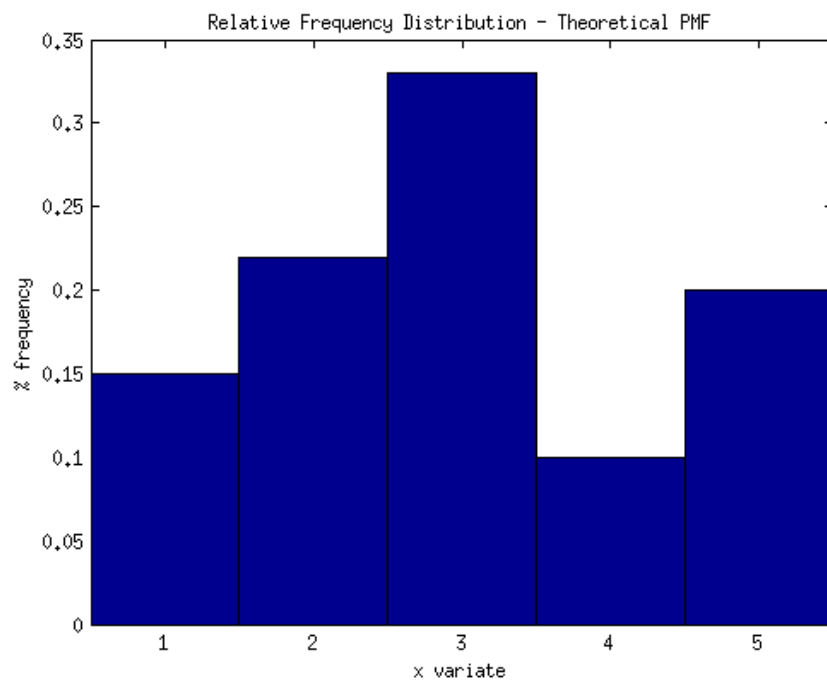


Figure 13: Theoretical frequency of  $p(y)$