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- Multivariate Uniform and Normal Distributions

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Note: The n -dim case is: $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim Unif(D)$, for $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, if the Joint PDF of \mathbf{X} is

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{Volume(D)}, & \mathbf{x} \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

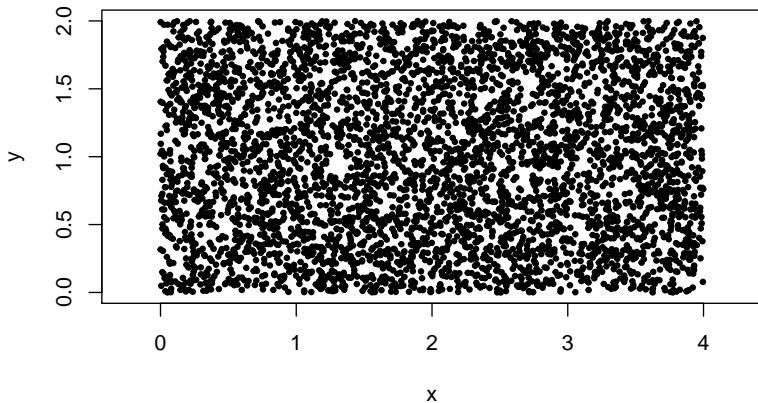


Figure: Random points (x,y) generated from $Unif([0, 4] \times [0, 2])$

R Code

```
#Generating and drawing n points from Unif[0,4]x[0,2]
n = 4500
x <- runif(n, min = 0, max = 4)
y <- runif(n, min = 0, max = 2)
plot(x,y,pch=20,xlim=c(0,4),ylim=c(0,2),asp=1,cex=0.8)
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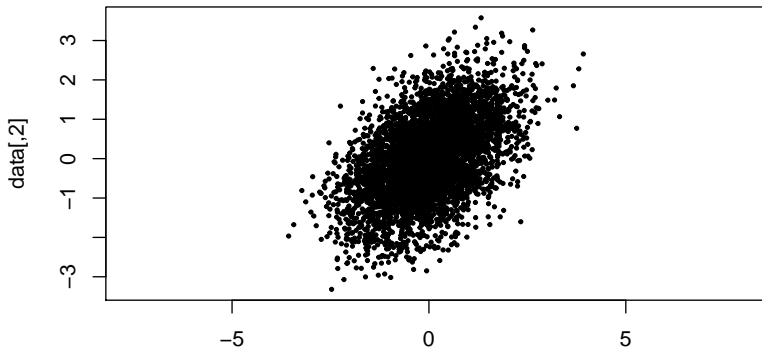
Exercise: (Not an easy one) Can you write a computer code to generate Uniform Random Numbers in the given (regular) Domains, say, in Triangles, Circles, Ellipses,... .

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$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(2\pi\Sigma)}} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^T \cdot \Sigma^{-1} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mu) \right\},$$

for any $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Example:

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$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Check that Σ is PD (Positive Definite);
- Write the Joint PDF of a r.vector $(X, Y) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$;
- Calculate the Probability $\mathbb{P}(X \in [-1, 3], Y > 2)$.

R Code for Bivariate Normal

```
mu <- c(0,0) # The Mean
Sigma <- matrix(c(1, .5, .5, 1), nrow = 2) #Cov Matrix
#Version 1
library(MASS)
data <- mvrnorm(5000, mu = mu, Sigma = Sigma )
plot(data, pch = 20, asp = 1, cex = 0.6)
#Version 2
#install.packages("mvtnorm")
library(mvtnorm)
data <- rmvnorm(1000, mean = mu, sigma = Sigma)
plot(data, pch = 20, asp = 1, xlim = c(-3,3))
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Also, an extract from a lecture on Machine Learning by Andrew Ng, co-founder of Google Brain and Coursera (Stanford University):

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JjB58InuTqM>