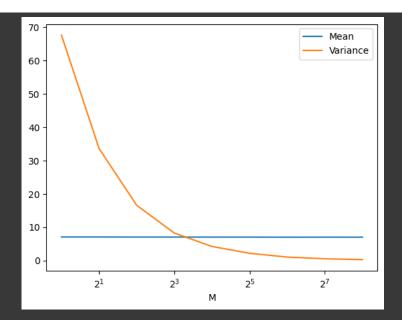
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1 import numpy as np
3 def monte_carlo_approximation(M):
      # Define the function f(x)
      def f(x):
          return 1 + 2*x + x**2
       # Generate M samples from the normal distribution with mean 1 and variance 3
       samples = np.random.normal(loc=1, scale=np.sqrt(3), size=M)
       # Evaluate f(x) for each sample
      evaluations = f(samples)
      \# Take the average of all evaluations to approximate the expected value of f(X)
      expected_value_approximation = np.mean(evaluations)
       return expected_value_approximation
1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 def monte_carlo_simulation(N):
      \# Define the function f(x)
      def f(x):
          return 1 + 2*x + x**2
      # Initialize lists to store the results
      M_values = []
      means = []
      variances = []
       # Iterate over values of M
       for M in [2**i for i in range(9)]:
           # Initialize a list to store the results of N simulations
          fM_values = []
          # Perform N simulations
           for _ in range(N):
              # Generate M samples from the normal distribution with mean 1 and variance 3
              samples = np.random.normal(loc=1, scale=np.sqrt(3), size=M)
              # Evaluate f(x) for each sample
              evaluations = f(samples)
              \# Take the average of all evaluations to approximate the expected value of f(X)
              expected_value_approximation = np.mean(evaluations)
              # Store the result of this simulation
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              fM_values.append(expected_value_approximation)
          # Calculate the mean and variance of fM over N rounds
          mean = np.mean(fM_values)
          variance = np.var(fM_values)
          # Store the results
          M values.append(M)
          means.append(mean)
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          variances.append(variance)
       # Visualize the results
       plt.plot(M_values, means, label="Mean")
       plt.plot(M_values, variances, label="Variance")
      plt.xscale("log", base=2)
      plt.xlabel("M")
      plt.legend()
      plt.show()
50 # Run the simulation with N=10000
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51 monte_carlo_simulation(10000)



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