

2. Use MC methods to compute the following

- a) the AREA trapped by $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ using the rectangular dartboard described in class
- b) the AREA trapped by $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ using a trapezoid instead of a rectangle for your dartboard
- c) Compare your results from a) and b) to the results you get with Calculus

a)

Let the range of the area trapped from $x=0$ to $x=4$

So the maximum of $f(x)$ is $4^2 + 2 = 18$, and minimum of $f(x)$ is 0.

step 1: initialize count=0

step 2: loop from 1 to n

step 3: generate random num $x: 0 \leq x \leq 4$,

$y: 0 \leq y \leq 18$

step 4: calculate $fx = x^2 + 2$

step 5: if $y \leq fx$ increase count by 1. Otherwise goes to step 3

step 6: $area = 4 \cdot 18 \cdot count / n$

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clear
%step 1 initial count=0
count = 0;
num = 10000;%set n=10000

for j = 1:num
    %step 2 loop from 1 to n
    x = 4*rand;%step 3 generate random number of x from 0 to 4
    y = 18*rand;%generate random number of y from 0 to 18
    fx = x^2+2;%step 4: calculate fx
    if y <= fx
        %test if y is less than fx
        count = count + 1;%count increase by 1
    end
end
%step 6
AreaFx=18*4*(count/num)
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AreaFx = 29.4552

So as result the area under $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ by using MC method is around 29

b)

Since $f_x = x^2 + 2$ is curve up so the trapezoid created by (0,0),(4,0),(0,2),(4,18)

The line of (0,2),(4,18) is

$$y = 4x + 2$$

So in step 3 generate random number of y $0 \leq y \leq 4x + 2$

The area of trapezoid is $(2+18)*4/2=40$

And in step 6: $\text{area}=40*\text{count}/n$

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numt = 10000;
countt = 0;
for jt = 1:num
    xt = 4*rand;
    yt = (4*xt + 2)*rand;%modified step 3
    fxt = xt^2+2;
    if yt <= fxt
        countt = countt+1;
    end
end

AreaFxt=40*(countt/numt)
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AreaFxt = 27.4240
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So as result the area under $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ by using MC method with trapezoid is around 27

c)

$$\int_0^4 x^2 + 2 = \left(\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 2x \right)_0^4 = \frac{1}{3}4^3 + 8 = 29.33$$

So the true value of the area is 29.33, which means that the normal MC has more accuracy.