

**Exercise 1**

Consider the class

```
com.andreamazzon.session3.encapsulation.lazyinitialization.LinearCongruentialGenerator
```

of the Java course project. We saw that due to overflows, the number

```
long congruence = (a * randomNumbers[indexOfInteger] + c) % modulus
```

can be negative, and to fix this problem we increment it by `modulus`. However, even if this still produce a (pseudo) random natural number smaller than `modulus`, this is not mathematically completely correct. To better understand the problem, consider 4 bits, giving 16 integers from  $-8$  to  $+7$ . Take the modulus equal to 3. Here  $8 \% 3 = 2$ . But 8 corresponds to  $-8$  due to the overflow,  $(-8) \% 3 = -(8 \% 3) = -2$  and  $-2 + 3 = 1$ . So our method does not give what we would expect. Indeed, the operations *overflow* and `%` do not commute, and one has first to fix the overflow and then to apply the operation `%`.

Think about a good way to do this in the case when

$$\text{Long.MAX\_VALUE} < a \cdot \text{modulus} + c + < 2 \cdot \text{Long.MAX\_VALUE},$$

and correct the method `generate()` written in `LinearCongruentialGenerator` accordingly, changing the values of `modulus` and `a` so that the above condition holds. You can first copy and paste the class `LinearCongruentialGenerator` in your exercise project, and test it as in

```
com.andreamazzon.session3.encapsulation.lazyinitialization.PseudoRandomNumbersTesting.
```

Check, for example by Mathematica, that the natural number you get in the presence of an overflow (i.e., in the case when you would get a negative number if the overflow was not handled at all) is indeed

$$(a * \text{previousRandomNumber} + c) \% \text{modulus}$$

where `previousRandomNumber` is the previous number in the list.

**Note:** possible values are `a = 6553590L`, `modulus = 2814749767110L`. Choosing `seed = 2814749763100L` in the test class, the value of the first random natural number must be `2788469871221`.

**Exercise 2**

This exercise gives an example of the computations of prices of options via Monte-Carlo. The idea is that, exploiting the results you have seen in the lecture, one can approximate the price of an option as

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i,$$

where  $p_i = p(\omega_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  for large  $n$ , are different realizations of the payoff of the option.

Write a class `DigitalOption` implementing the interface

```
com.andreamazzon.handout2.EuropeanTypeOptionMonteCarlo.
```

There you find two methods, i.e., `getPayoff(StochasticProcessSimulatorInterface underlyingProcess)` and `getPrice(StochasticProcessSimulatorInterface underlyingProcess)`, whose description you find in the interface, that return the realizations of the payoff at maturity time and the Monte-Carlo price (i.e., the average of the payoff realizations), respectively, of an European option whose underlying is described by the object `underlyingProcess`.

Note that `StochasticProcessSimulatorInterface` is the interface you can find in the Java course project in the package

`com.andreamazzon.exercises.simulators.`

You have here to implement these two methods for a digital option, i.e., an option that for an underlying  $S$  at maturity time  $i$  has payoff 1 if  $S(i) - K > 0$  and 0 vice versa, where  $K > 0$  is a given strike.

Test your code by creating an object of this class with maturity 7 and strike 100, and let it call the method `getPrice` by giving it an object of type

`com.andreamazzon.handout2.BinomialModelSimulator,`

with initial value 100,  $u = 1.5$ ,  $d = 0.5$ , interest rate 0, final time 7, number of simulations 100000 and seed of your choice. The price you get should be approximately equal to 0.22.

**Hint:** what you can do to implement `getPayoff` is basically to see which method(s) of the interface `StochasticProcessSimulatorInterface` might help you, and make `underlyingProcess` call it/them. Remember that, due to polymorphism, `underlyingProcess` can be of whatever class implementing `StochasticProcessSimulatorInterface`. The method `getPrice` might rely on the call of `getPayoff`.