

MTH208 End-Semester Examination

Instructions

1. **Seating:** Sit according to the seating plan. Please arrive at the lab by **4:40 PM** to allow enough time to locate your assigned seat.
2. **Template & naming**
 - Download the template file **es_template.R** and the data files, if any, from the helloIITK exam page. These will be available five minutes before the exam begins.
 - Rename it to **es_<ROLL>.R**, where <ROLL> is your roll number (e.g., **es_230123.R**).
 - Work only in this renamed file.
3. **What to edit**
 - Follow the instructions for each question **exactly**.
 - **Only** edit the lines marked with dashes ----- or comments **# your code here**.
 - **Do not** change function or object names required by the grader.
 - **Do not** add `rm(list = ls())`, `setwd()`, or absolute paths.
4. **Libraries**
 - You should need only `ggplot2` and Base R.
5. **I/O and paths**
 - Your script must run in a fresh R session with the working directory set to the folder containing your files.
6. **Submission**
 - Submit **only one file**: your renamed script **es_<ROLL>.R**.
 - Upload it on the **helloIITK** End Sem Exam page. Submissions by email or any other method will **not** be accepted.
7. **Grading run**
 - Your script **must run end-to-end** on the grader's machine with

```
source("es_<ROLL>.R")
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without manual edits, assuming the provided data and template structure.
8. **Evaluation data:** Please avoid hard-coding values or assumptions beyond what's specified.

Consider the integral

$$I(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

where, for simplicity, $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$. We study the estimation of $I(f)$ using three methods, while addressing numerical stability and evaluating performance.

Method A: Draw N samples $x_1, \dots, x_N \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$ and estimate the integral as

$$I(f) \approx I_N^A(f) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i)$$

Method B: Draw N samples $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)$ where $x_i \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$ and $y_i \sim \text{Uniform}(0, M)$ with

$$M \geq \max_{x \in [0, 1]} f(x).$$

The integral is estimated as

$$I(f) \approx I_N^B(f) = \frac{|\{(x_i, y_i) : y_i \leq f(x_i)\}|}{N} M$$

where $|S|$ denotes the number of elements in the set S .

Method C: Estimate the integral as

$$I(f) \approx I_N^C(f) = \frac{1}{N-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} f(0) + \sum_{j=2}^{N-1} f\left(\frac{j-1}{N-1}\right) + \frac{1}{2} f(1) \right)$$

In this context, perform the following tasks by completing the code given in the template file.

Tasks

1. (1 point) Compute the exact value of $I(f)$ when $f(x) = x \exp(-x^2)$.
2. Write an R code to estimate the integral using **Method A** when $f(x) = x \exp(-x^2)$.
Note: 1 point for this task will be given based on the correct column output in task 6.
3. Write an R code to estimate the integral using **Method B** when $f(x) = x \exp(-x^2)$.
Note: 1 point for this task will be based on the correct column output in task 6.
4. Write an R code to estimate the integral using **Method C** when $f(x) = x \exp(-x^2)$.
Note: 1 point for this task will be based on the correct column output in task 6.
5. For performance comparison, write an R function that computes **runtime** for a function in seconds (using `proc.time()`).
Note: 1 point for this task will be based on the correct column output in task 6.

6. (2+1+2+2+1+1+2+0+1=12 points) Run both methods for the following values of N :

$$N \in \{4^k : k = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

For each method and each value of N , using **50 independent repetitions** of the estimators,

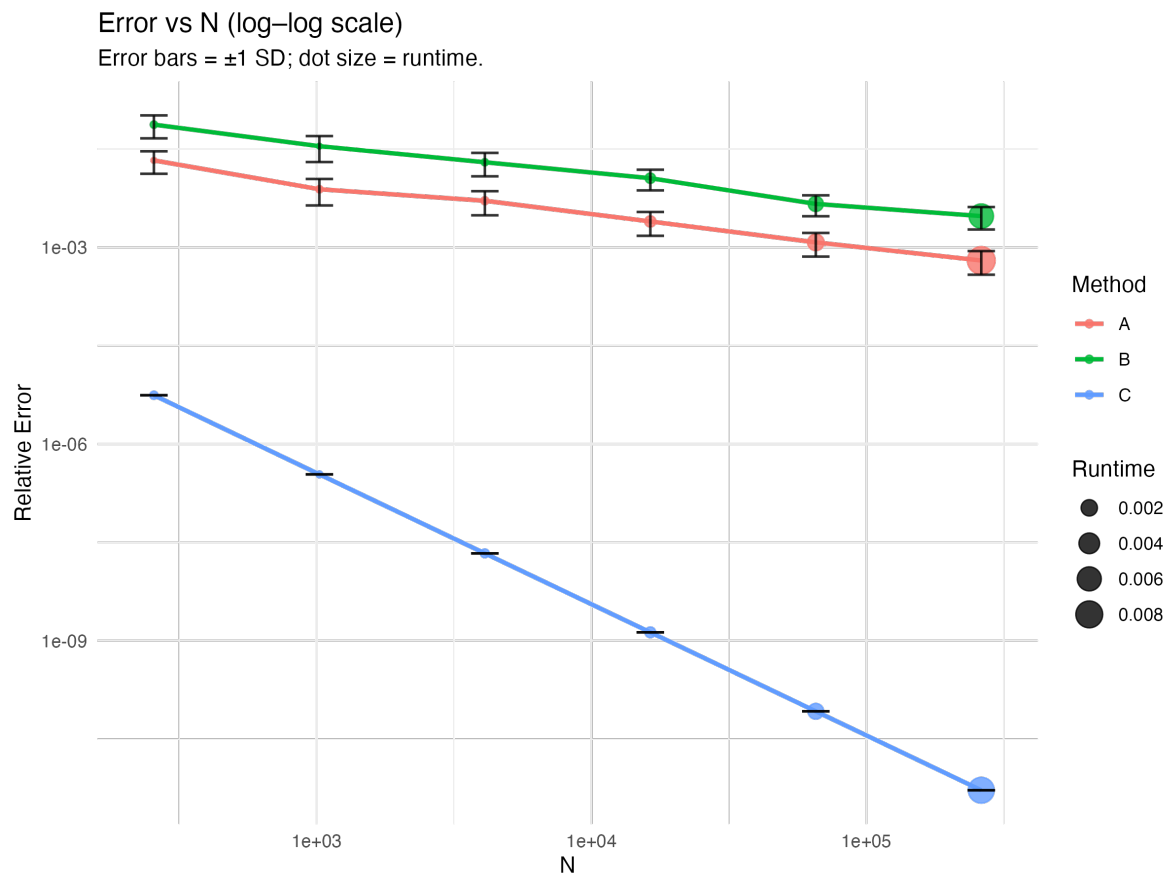
- Compute the mean error using methods A, B and C, that is, the mean of $|I_N^A(f) - I(f)|/|I(f)|$, $|I_N^B(f) - I(f)|/|I(f)|$ and $|I_N^C(f) - I(f)|/|I(f)|$, reported as ErrA, ErrB and ErrC respectively in the table below.
- Compute **variance** of the three estimators, that is, the variance of $I_N^A(f)$, $I_N^B(f)$ and $I_N^C(f)$, reported as VarA, VarB and VarC respectively in the table below.
- Compute the mean of the **runtime** obtained using the **runtime** function written in task 5 for the three estimators, reported as TimeA, TimeB, and TimeC respectively in the table below.

Create a table (an R `data.frame`) of the form

N	ErrA	VarA	TimeA	ErrB	VarB	TimeB	ErrC	VarC	TimeC
256
1024
4096
16384
65536
262144

and name it `comparison_table`.

7. (5 points) Using the data in `comparison_table`, create the ggplot called `performance_plot` that displays mean errors against N on the log-log scale along with the runtime (as size of point) and standard deviation (as errorbar – `?geom_errorbar`), closely resembling the example plot shown below:



8. (1 point) Compute the exact value of $I(f_\epsilon)$ when $f_\epsilon(x) = \log(\exp(50x) - \exp(50x - \epsilon))$.
9. (1 point) Write an R code to approximate the integral $I(f_\epsilon)$ using Method A when $f_\epsilon(x) = \log(\exp(50x) - \exp(50x - \epsilon))$.