

HW02 Hints

1. (Exercise plan) As part of your New Year's resolution, you came up with the following exercise plan:

- Monday through Friday: light 1-mile jog
- Saturday: 3-mile run
 - except for every 4th Saturday on which you go for 5-mile run;
 - except for every 12th Saturday on which you rest to avoid overtraining.
- Sunday: rest

Write an app (i.e., a MATLAB script) which tells you what to do given a day of the year.

Note. For simplicity:

- Denote days of the year using an integer between 1 and 365 (no leap year).
 - The first day of the year is Monday.
2. (Angle finder) Re-do Exercise 3 in Lecture 3, now for $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$. Write two versions, one using `atan` and the other using `atan2`.
 3. (Guess-the-number) Write the following game in which a user is to guess the integer randomly generated by the computer. In the program:
 - User inputs the lower and the upper bounds of the range.
 - The program generates a random integer within the specified range and stores it in a variable.
 - Use a `while`-loop for repeated guessing.
 - If the user guessed a number larger than the generated number, print out “Your guess is too high. Try again!”.
 - If the user guessed a number smaller than the generated number, print out “Your guess is too low. Try again!”.
 - If the user guessed the number correctly, print out “Congratulations!” and terminate the program.

Below is an example run of the program.

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>> guess
Enter the lower bound: 1
Enter the upper bound: 100
Guess a number: 50
Your guess is too low. Try again!
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Guess a number: 75
Your guess is too low. Try again!
Guess a number: 87
Your guess is too high. Try again!
Guess a number: 81
Your guess is too low. Try again!
Guess a number: 84
Your guess is too high. Try again!
Guess a number: 82
Congratulations!

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4. (Biased dice) Simulate the rolling of a *biased* dice whose probability profile is given by

number	1	2	3	4	5	6
probability	1/12	1/6	1/4	1/4	1/6	1/12

Then simulate the rolling of two such dice until the sum is 7. Print out the number of rolls needed. Then use a for-loop to repeat the simulation 10 times.

5. (Approximating π) For large n ,

$$R_n = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \cdots - \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n-1} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2k-1} \approx \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$T_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n^2} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2} \approx \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

$$U_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2^4} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n^4} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^4} \approx \frac{\pi^4}{90},$$

giving three different ways to estimate π :

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_n &= 4R_n \\ \tau_n &= \sqrt{6T_n} \\ \mu_n &= \sqrt[4]{90U_n}.\end{aligned}$$

Write a script that displays the value of $|\pi - \rho_n|$, $|\pi - \tau_n|$, and $|\pi - \mu_n|$ for $n = 100, 200, 300, \dots, 1000$.