

Assignment 6



Due: 1 April.

1 Pseudorandom number generators with linear structures

(30 Points) Visit <http://random.mat.sbg.ac.at/results/karl/server/>, choose one linear pseudorandom number generator and implement your own version of it in Python. Describe, briefly, its properties.

2 LCG Full Period Condition

(20 Points) Use the following theorem

Theorem 1. *An LCG has full period if and only if the following three conditions hold:*

1. *The only positive integer that (exactly) divides both m and c is 1 (i.e., c and m have no common factors other than 1).*
2. *If q is a prime number that divides m then q should divide $(a - 1)$ (i.e., $(a - 1)$ is a multiple of every prime number that divides m).*
3. *If 4 divides m , then 4 should divide $(a - 1)$ (i.e., $(a - 1)$ is a multiple of 4 if m is a multiple of 4).*

to check if the following LCGs

- $(m = 9, a = 3, c = 2, x_0 = 1)$
- $(m = 8, a = 5, c = 1, x_0 = 5)$

reaches its full period.