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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024

SECOND YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ACTUARIAL SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN STATISTICS

SMS 3270: STATISTICAL PROGRAMMING I

DATE: APRIL 2024

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) State and briefly explain three properties to consider when generating pseudo random numbers
(6 Marks)
- b) i. Write down appropriate command in R to simulate 1000 variates from an exponential distribution with $\lambda = 3$ and store in an object named B,
(1 Mark)
ii. Write the command in R to compute their sample mean and standard deviation
(2 Marks)
- c) Explain how monte-carlo method can be used to approximate the area of irregular shape.
(4 Marks)
- d) Considering a student who guesses on a multiple choice test question which has five options; the student may guess correctly with probability 0.3 and incorrectly with probability 0.7 Write an appropriate R code using a seed value of 2000 that will help to know how well such a student would do on a multiple choice test consisting of 20 questions.
(4 Marks)
- e) Explain the use of %% and % / % in R and demonstrate their application through examples
(4 Marks)



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- f) Write down appropriate command in R to use in monte Carlo integration based on 50000 uniform pseudorandom numbers to estimate (4 Marks)

$$I = \int_1^4 x^2 dx$$

- ii. Integrate the above equation and calculate the theoretical value (2 Marks)
- g) For a normal random variable X with mean 5 and standard deviation 2, write an R code that will,
- i. compute the probability that X is less than 3 (1 Mark)
 - ii. compute the probability X is greater than 4.5 (1 Mark)
 - iii. Compute the probability X is equal to 2 (1 Mark)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) A forest nature reserve has 13 bird-viewing platforms scattered throughout a large block of land. The naturalists claim that at any point in time, there is a 75 percent chance of seeing birds at each platform. Write appropriate r codes that will calculate the probability;
- i. you see birds at all sites? Compute also theoretical value (3 Marks)
 - ii. you see birds at more than 9 platforms? Compute also the theoretical value (3 Marks)
 - iii. of seeing birds at between 8 and 11 platforms (inclusive)? (3 Marks)
- b) Write an appropriate r code that can approximate the integral $\int_2^5 \sin(x)^{dx}$ and the compute the theoretical values (8 Marks)
- c) Write 3 properties of a Bernoulli distribution (3 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Suppose the proportion defective is 0.15 for a manufacturing operation. Write r code that will
- i. Simulate the number of defectives for each hour of a 24-hour period, assuming 25 units are produced each hour. (2 Marks)
 - ii. Check if the number of defectives ever exceeds 5 (1 Mark)
- b) Define simulation and highlight 5 advantages of simulating data (6 Marks)
- c) Highlight the steps involved in solving the following integrals by monte-carlo (4 Marks)



- i. $\int_0^1 x \, dx$ (4 Marks)
- ii. $\int_1^5 \frac{x^4}{3} \, dx$ (4 Marks)
- d) Highlight steps involved in monte carlo simulation. (5 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the congruential method for generating random numbers. (6 Marks)
- b) State three characteristics of a high-quality Monte Carlo simulation. (3 Marks)
- c) Briefly explain the following terms as used in programming; (3 Marks)
- i. Random seed
 - ii. Simulation
 - iii. Pseudo random numbers
- d) A bank has a single teller who is facing a queue of 10 customers. The time for each customer to be served is exponentially distributed with per minute. Write the R command to simulate the "service times" for the 10 customers and then the total of the "service times" (3 Marks)
- e) Consider an example of blemishes on 1 foot square sheets of metal coming from a production line. Suppose the number of blemishes found is thought to follow a Poisson distribution i.e. $X \sim pois(1.22)$. Write an appropriate R code that does the following;
- i. finds the probability of seeing no blemishes (1 Mark)
 - ii. finds the probability of seeing exactly 4 blemishes (1 Mark)
 - iii. probability of seeing more than five blemishes (1 Mark)
 - iv. probability of seeing less than three blemishes (1 Mark)
 - v. probability of seeing only one blemish (1 Mark)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) highlight 5 advantages of simulating data. (5 Marks)
- b) generate a sequence of 6 integer random number with $a = 19, m = 100, x_0 = 63$ and $c = 1$ (9 Marks)
- c) given the commands below



>x<-c(11,12,13)

>y<-c(14,15,16)

What will be the expected output of the following?

(2 Marks)

i. $x+y$

(2 Marks)

ii. $y*x$

(2 Marks)

iii. $2+x$

(2 Marks)

