

# Midterm Computer Assignment

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1.

$$\int_0^1 (3 - x^7)^{\frac{3}{2}} dx$$

Simulating in Rust using the Monte Carlo method with a uniform proposal distribution:

```
fn integral_1a(n: usize) -> f64 {
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();
    let integrand = |x: f64| -> f64 { (3. - x.powi(7)).powf(1.5) };
    (0..n).map(|_| integrand(rng.gen())).sum::<f64>() / n as f64
}
```

For  $n := 100, 1000, 10000$ , we get [4.8564](#), [4.9158](#), [4.894423](#), respectively, which approximately agrees with WolframAlpha's evaluation as 4.88643.

$$\int_0^\infty x(2 + x^5)^{-4} dx$$

Let's use ... say,  $\text{Pareto}(x_m = 1, \alpha = 5)$  shifted by 1? (Eyeballing the graph from WolframAlpha, I think I want my proposal distribution to be a little thicker than the actual tail.)

$$(y-1)(2+(y-1)^5)^{-4} \cdot \frac{\frac{5}{y^6}}{\frac{5}{y^6}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{5} y^6 (y-1)(2+(y-1)^5)^{-4}}_{\text{importance weight}} \times \underbrace{\frac{5}{y^6}}_{\text{proposal PDF}}$$

We have the code:

```
fn integral_1b(n: usize) -> f64 {
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();
    let proposal_distribution = Pareto::new(1., 5.).expect("valid Pareto distribution");
    let importance_weight =
        |y: f64| -> f64 { 0.2 * y.powi(6) * (y - 1.) * (2. + (y - 1.).powi(5)).powi(-4) };
    (0..n)
        .map(|_| importance_weight(proposal_distribution.sample(&mut rng)))
        .sum::<f64>()
        / n as f64
}
```

Our  $n := 100, 1000, 10000$  estimates are [0.03287](#), [0.0204](#), [0.022726](#), respectively.

Oddly, WolframAlpha claims “(integral does not converge)”, but I think that might be a bug on their part. (It also says “Standard computation time exceeded”, so maybe it's a timeout rather than the integral really being crazy.) Let's switch to SciPy:

```
In [1]: import scipy.integrate
...:
...: def f(x):
...:     return x * (2 + x**5)**-4
...:
...: scipy.integrate.quad(f, 0, 5)
Out[1]: (0.02266516521006867, 1.803236715980025e-09)
```

So SciPy thinks I'm right.

$$\int_{0.5}^{\infty} 4x(2+2x^3)^{-4} dx$$

Let's go with  $\text{Pareto}(x_m = 0.5, \alpha = 5)$  for our proposal distribution. (It's nice that the lower limit of integration isn't zero, so that we don't have to transform-shift to use the polynomial-tailed Pareto distribution, which demands a positive shape parameter.) That's  $\frac{\alpha x_m^\alpha}{x^{\alpha+1}} = \frac{5 \cdot (0.5)^5}{x^6} = \frac{5}{32} x^{-6}$ .

$$4x(2+2x^3)^{-4} \cdot \frac{\frac{5}{32}x^{-6}}{\frac{5}{32}x^{-6}} = \frac{32 \cdot 4}{5} x^7 (2+2x^3)^{-4} = \underbrace{\frac{128}{5} x^7 (2+2x^3)^{-4}}_{\text{importance weight}} \times \underbrace{\frac{5}{32} x^{-6}}_{\text{proposal PDF}}$$

And then the inevitable code (between homework #10 and this, I'm starting to get bored, and I bet the grader is, too; hi, Daniil) is:

```
fn integral_1c(n: usize) -> f64 {
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();
    let proposal_distribution = Pareto::new(0.5, 5.).expect("valid Pareto distribution");
    let importance_weight = |x: f64| -> f64 {
        (128./5.) * x.powi(7) * (2. + 2. * x.powi(3)).powi(-4)
    };
    (0..n)
        .map(|_| importance_weight(proposal_distribution.sample(&mut rng)))
        .sum::<f64>()
    / n as f64
}
```

which gives us **0.02606**, **0.02596**, **0.026225** for our  $n := 100, 1000, 10000$ , respectively. And SciPy says it's 0.02621, so we're good.

2. a.  $X$  has a binomial distribution with  $p = 0.03$  and  $n = 100$ ,  $f_X(k) = \binom{100}{k} (0.03)^k (0.97)^{100-k}$ .  
 $Y$  has a binomial distribution with  $p = 0.05$  and  $n = 100$ ,  $f_Y(k) = \binom{100}{k} (0.05)^k (0.95)^{100-k}$ .
- b. The following Rust function generates 1000 samples from each distribution.

```
use rand::distributions::Distribution;
use rand_distr::Binomial;

fn question_2b() -> (Vec<u64>, Vec<u64>) {
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();
    let x = Binomial::new(100, 0.03).expect("valid binomial distribution");
    let y = Binomial::new(100, 0.05).expect("valid binomial distribution");
    let xs = (0..1000).map(|_| x.sample(&mut rng)).collect::<Vec<_>>();
    let ys = (0..1000).map(|_| y.sample(&mut rng)).collect::<Vec<_>>();
    (xs, ys)
}
```

- c. The following Rust function (with the same 'use' statements as above) empirically estimates the probability that a batch of 100 parts from each supplier has less than 10 defectives. A typical run of this program might report that, say,  $P(X < 10) \approx 0.998$  and  $P(Y < 10) \approx 0.978$ . (Exact values vary due to the pseudorandom nature of the query.)

```
fn question_2c() -> (f64, f64) {
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();
    let x = Binomial::new(100, 0.03).expect("valid binomial distribution");
    let y = Binomial::new(100, 0.05).expect("valid binomial distribution");
    let xs_less_than_10 = (0..1000).map(|_| x.sample(&mut rng)).filter(|n| *n < 10).count() as f64;
    let ys_less_than_10 = (0..1000).map(|_| y.sample(&mut rng)).filter(|n| *n < 10).count() as f64;
    (xs_less_than_10 / 1000., ys_less_than_10 / 1000.)
}
```

- d. The following Rust function estimates that  $P(X < Y) \approx 0.186$ .

```
fn question_2d() -> f64 {  
    let mut rng = rand::thread_rng();  
    let x = Binomial::new(100, 0.03).expect("valid binomial distribution");  
    let y = Binomial::new(100, 0.05).expect("valid binomial distribution");  
    let a_more_defective = (0..1000)  
        .map(|_| x.sample(&mut rng) > y.sample(&mut rng))  
        .filter(|p| *p)  
        .count() as f64;  
    a_more_defective / 1000.  
}
```