

Please give numerical answers in *decimal* form (to at least 4 significant digits).

1. Consider a sequence generated by

$$x_{n+1} = a \cdot x_n \quad \text{mod} \quad m$$

where  $x_0 = 1111111111$ ,  $m = 20751953125$ , and  $a$  is a positive integer less than  $m$ .

What is the longest possible cycle we can generate (by a proper choice of  $a$ ), how many such values of  $a$  are there (which will generate the longest cycle), and what set of sufficient and necessary conditions must each such  $a$  meet?

2. Consider a RIS of size  $n$  from a distribution with the following pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(x) & 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find an  $\frac{1}{n}$ -accurate approximation to the pdf of

$$Z_n = \frac{\sin \bar{X} - \mathbb{E}(\sin \bar{X})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\sin \bar{X})}}$$

including (of course) the corresponding expansions of both  $\mathbb{E}(\sin \bar{X})$  and  $\text{Var}(\sin \bar{X})$ .

- (b) Apply the result to accurately estimate the probability of  $0.8 < \sin \bar{X} < 0.9$ , when  $n = 10$ .

3. Consider the MLE of  $\omega > 0$ , based on a RIS of size  $n$  from a Cauchy distribution with the following pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\omega}{\omega^2 + x^2} \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

- (a) We know that the sampling distribution of this estimator is approximately Normal (when  $n$  is large). To a sufficient (basic-Normal) accuracy, find the corresponding mean and variance.
- (b) Using this approximation, and assuming that  $\omega = 10$  and  $n = 50$ , estimate the probability that the resulting ML estimator will have a value between 11 and 14.

4. Consider a bivariate distribution with the following joint pdf

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x + y + 1 & x > 0, \quad y > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x + y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Describe how to generate a RIS from this distribution, based on independent random variables of the  $\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$  type (i.e. how do we *transform*  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  into  $X$  and  $Y$ ).

5. Find the basic Normal approximation for the distribution of

$$T \equiv \frac{1}{1 + \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y}}$$

assuming that  $(X_i, Y_i)$ , where  $i$  goes from 1 to  $n$ , is a RIS from the bivariate distribution of the *previous question* (and  $\bar{X}$  and  $\bar{Y}$  are the corresponding sample means).

Based on this approximation, estimate  $\text{Pr}(0.87 < T < 0.91)$  when  $n = 35$ .

6. This is a continuation of the previous question. If we now define

$$U = \exp(\bar{X} - \bar{Y})$$

find the basic (bivariate) Normal approximation to the distribution of  $T$  and  $U$ .

Also: Transform  $T$  and  $U$  into standardized and *independent* (at this level of accuracy)  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ .