

Statistics 1211 Spring 2008 HW 6

Due in class or in my mailbox before class on March. 10

Section 1 (ungraded) out of 40 Adapting the code from HW5, use R to generate 5 uniform random variables on the unit interval, naming the variable

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unif5
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gives the average of the 5 numbers and

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sort(unif5)[4]
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gives the 4th largest value of

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unif5
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- Compare the sample mean and sample median of 5 uniform random numbers from the uniform distribution on $[0, 1]$.
- Compare the sample mean and sample median of 100 uniform random numbers from the uniform distribution on $[0, 1]$.
- Pretend that you did not know the underlying distribution used to generate the random numbers, only that it was uniform on some interval $[0, \theta]$ where θ was unknown. You could use the sample mean and median to estimate θ . State how and comment / describe any differences and or advantages of using the medians and means to estimate θ as well as how these differences depend on $n = 5$ or 100, if at all. (No need to include in hw, but you can think about or experiment with intermediate values of n or even larger values).

Section 2 (graded) from Devore, 7th edition: Exercises

5.3.37, 5.3.38, 5.3.40, 5.4.54, 5.4.49, 5.4.51