Statistical Methods in Particle Physics

Quiz on chapter 4: Monte Carlo Methods

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The name "Monte Carlo method" refers to

- 1. the inventor Carlo Montego
- 2. a conference which took place in Monte Carlo



- 3. the Monte Carlo Casino in Monaco
- 4. to the formula one race in Monte Carlo

Random numbers generated on a Computer are called pseudo-random numbers because

1. of the limited precision of floating point numbers



- 2. they result from deterministic algorithms
- 3. they are only generated in the interval [0,1]
- 4. they are taken from big look-up tables obtained from throwing real dice

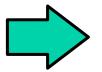
In the inverse transform method to get random numbers from a distribution f(x) one needs to calculate the inverse of

- **1.** f(x)
- 2. 1/f(x)
- 3. the first derivative of f(x)



4. the CDF of f(x)

Let r be a random variable uniformly distributed in [0, 1]. To draw random numbers from the PDF f(x) = 2x one can transform r as



- 1. \sqrt{r}
- 2. r²
- 3. In r
- **4.** r⁴

To obtain random points uniformly distributed on the surface of a sphere one needs to uniformly distribute

- **1.** ϕ and θ
- 2. $\sin \varphi$ and θ



- 3. ϕ and $\cos \theta$
- **4.** ϕ^2 and θ

Monte Carlo integration outperforms other numerical methods in case of



- 1. multi-dimensional integrals
- 2. Gaussian integrals
- 3. positive integrands
- 4. periodic integrands