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| Question: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Total |
| Points: | 5 | 10 | 5 | 40 | 60 |
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1. (5 points) You selected Monte Carlo method to calculate a 7-dimensional integral. You generated $N = 10^6$ random points per each of $m = 128$ runs of your algorithm and found the result with the standard deviation of 1.28×10^{-2} . However, you'd like to achieve the standard deviation of the result of order 1.0×10^{-3} , i.e. about 10 times smaller. What do you need to do?
- ☐ Increase the number of runs, m , by a factor ~ 10
 - ☐ Increase the number of runs, m , by a factor $\sim 10^2$
 - ☐ Increase the number of random points per run, N , by a factor ~ 10
 - ☐ Increase the number of random points per run, N , by a factor $\sim 10^2$
 - ☐ increase the number of the dimensions in the integrand to 10 by introducing three "dummy" dimensions
 - ☐ All of the above
 - ☐ None of the above

Please explain:

2. (10 points) You need to design a linear congruential random number generator that is supposed to produce unsigned random integers on a microchip that uses 10 bit integers. What is the largest possible period of your generator?

Please explain:

3. (5 points) What are some of desired properties of a random number generator?
- ☐ High performance
 - ☐ Long period
 - ☐ Repeatability
 - ☐ Secrecy of the algorithm
 - ☐ All of the above
 - ☐ None of the above
4. (40 points) Use Monte Carlo integration to calculate the volume of n-dimensional sphere of unit radius, V_n , for $n = 10, 12, 14$, and 16 . Compare your results with the analytic expression for the volume:

$$V_n = \frac{\pi^{(\frac{n}{2})}}{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)!} \quad (\text{for even } n). \quad (1)$$

Hint 1: n-dimensional sphere of unit radius is the set of points which are at distance less than one from a central point. The unit sphere centered at the origin is described by the following relation:

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \leq 1$$

Hint 2: generate at least 10^8 n-dimensional random points.

Hint 3: Use functions `pow(x, n)` defined in `math.h` and `gsl_sf_fact(i)` defined in `gsl_sf_gamma.h` to calculate Eq. (1).

Provide printouts of your (formatted) C code, your makefile, and (nicely formatted) output of your program.