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Permanents

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What is randomness?

Not all generators are equal

Philosophy: why do we believe that

00101011111010100010111

may produced by a fair coin, but do not believe that 0101010101010101010101010

Mathematics: how can we define formally the notion of a random sequence (finite or infinite): Mises, Church, Kolmogorov, Levin, Martin-Löf, Chaitin, Schnorr, etc.



Practice: we need random bits for cryptography, randomized algorithms, games, lotteries, etc. How can we reliably generate them? How can we test the generators?

Random bit generators



DIY approach









Certificates?



Entropy = 7.999997 bits per byte.

Optimum compression would reduce the size of this 102400000 byte file by 0 percent.

Chi square distribution for 102400000 samples is 484.39, and randomly would exceed this value less than 0.01 percent of the times.

Arithmetic mean value of data bytes is 127.5025 (127.5 = random). Monte Carlo value for Pi is 3.141912310 (error 0.01 percent). Serial correlation coefficient is 0.000126 (totally uncorrelated = 0.0).

- It has been type-tested in conformance with the certificate

It has been / not been type-tested in conformance with the AIS 31 methodology.







Project goals

- Use theoretical background to study the state of the art for
 - hardware ("non-deterministic") random bit generators
 - tests suites for testing randomness
 - standards for generators and tests
 - ▷ tools for "randomness extraction" (conditioning)
- Finding deficiencies and flaws in the existing techniques, tools, standards
- Corrections of the flaws found
- Trying new kinds of tests and randomness extraction methods
- Recommendations for making a hardware RNG