

IN THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA

LOCAL RULE VI

IN RE: SELECTION OF JURORS BY COMPUTER IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the present method of selecting jurors can be expedited without additional expense or loss of the sanctity of random selection by the use of the electronic computer available for use by Charlotte County, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Florida Statute § 40.011, the source of such selection is from the data base of names from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles which is in computer compatible form and in the custody and control of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Florida Statute § 40.011, the source of selection is also from the list of those whose names do not appear on the Department data base, but who have filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court an affidavit prescribed in the cited statute, it is therefore,

RESOLVED, that the Rules of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit for procedure in all courts of Charlotte County in which jury trials are held shall be amended to include this additional Rule adopting the following alternative plan for the selection of persons for grand or petit jury service:

1. EQUIPMENT:

(a) The equipment used in jury selection is a Pentium 300 computer located in the secured computer room of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Charlotte County.

2. ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF SELECTING VENIRE:

(a) The source from which names shall be taken is the same as that which is described above in accordance with Florida Statutes § 40.011. In every year hereafter, by the

first week of January, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall obtain a computerized listing of names from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. The Clerk of the Circuit Court will protect the listing and tapes and keep them securely stored.

(b) The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Charlotte County is designated the official custodian of the computer records of the lists to be used in jury selection and shall ensure that they are not accessible to anyone other than those directly involved in selection of venires, as herein provided. Functions of the Clerk of the Circuit Court may be performed by her deputies.

(c) The entire list of driver's license holders, identification card holders, and those who have filed affidavits pursuant to Florida Statute § 40.011 (hereinafter "eligible jurors") may comprise the master jury list from which venires will be selected according to the provisions of Section 2(d) below. Alternatively, the Chief Judge or his designated representative, with the aid and assistance of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, may select the master jury list for the year by lot and at random from the entire list of eligible jurors using the method described in Attachment "A".

(d) The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall cause jury venires to be selected from the final jury list programmed into the Charlotte County computer using the method described in Attachment "A" in accordance with directions received from the Chief Judge or his designated representative.

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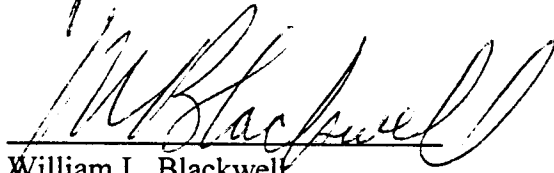
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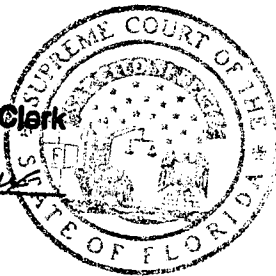
CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY certify that, pursuant to Florida Statute § 40.225, a majority of judges authorized to conduct jury trials in Charlotte County, Florida, have consented to the use of the electronic system which is described in an attachment hereto, and requests the approval of the Supreme Court of Florida for the use of such system in Charlotte County, Florida.

DATED the 23<sup>d</sup> day of Sept., 1999.

  
William L. Blackwell  
Chief Circuit Judge  
Twentieth Judicial Circuit

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Attest:  
DEBBIE CAUSSEAU, Acting Clerk  
Supreme Court of Florida  
By Debbie Causseau  
Deputy Clerk



APPROVED BY THE  
SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA  
October 12, 1999  
SID J. WHITE  
CLERK SUPREME COURT

## ATTACHMENT "A"

The method used to randomly select jurors is the Universal Random Number Generator provided by the Office of the State Courts Administrator (appended hereto) and programmed by the staff of the Information System Division of the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court.

This article describes an approach toward a random number generator that passes all of the stringent tests for randomness we have put to it, and that is able to produce exactly the same sequence of uniform random variables in a wide variety of computers, ranging from TRS80, Apple, Macintosh, Commodore, Kaypro, IBM PC, AT, PC and AT clones, Vax, IBM 360/370, 3090, Amdahl and CDC Cyber to 205 and Cray supercomputers.

An essential property of a random number generator is that it produces a satisfactorily random sequence of numbers. Increasingly sophisticated uses have raised questions about the suitability of many of the commonly available generators—see, for example, reference [1]. Another shortcoming in many, indeed most, random number generators is the ability to produce the same sequence of variables in a wide variety of computers, an essential requirement for an experimental science that lacks standardized equipment for verifying results.

We address these deficiencies here, suggesting a combination generator tailored particularly for reproducibility in all CPU's with at least 16 bit integer arithmetic. The random numbers themselves are reals with 24-bit fractions, uniform on  $[0, 1)$ . We provide a suggested Fortran implementation of this "universal" generator, together with suggested sample output with which one may verify that a particular computer produces exactly the same bit patterns as the computers enumerated above. The Fortran code is so straightforward that versions may be readily written for other languages; so far, students have written and confirmed results for Basic, Pascal and Modula II versions. I have not tried the Pascal version myself, as I use with reluctance a language so poorly designed that the most frequently used symbol takes three keystrokes.

A list of desirable properties for a random number generator might include:

1. *Randomness.* Provides a sequence of independent uniform random variables suitable for all reasonable applications. In particular, passes all the latest tests for randomness and independence.
2. *Long Period.* Able to produce, without repeating the initial sequence, all of the random variables for the huge samples that current computer speeds make possible.
3. *Efficiency.* Execution is rapid, with modest memory requirements.
4. *Repeatability.* Initial conditions (seed values) completely determine the resulting sequence of random variables.
5. *Portability.* Identical sequences of random variables may be produced in a wide variety of computers, for given starting values.
6. *Homogeneity.* All subsets of bits of the numbers must be random, from the most- to the least-significant bits.

#### Choice of the Method

Our choice of a generator that goes to meet these criteria is a combination generator, in which the principal, long period, component is based on the binary operation  $\oplus \cdot y$  on reals  $z$  and  $y$  defined by

$$z \oplus y = \{ \text{if } z \geq y \text{ then } z - y, \text{ else } z - y + 1 \}$$

require a sequence of reals on  $[0, 1)$ :  $U_1, U_2, U_3, \dots$ , each with a 24-bit fraction. We chose 24 bits because it is the most common fraction size for single-precision reals and because the operation  $\oplus \cdot y$  can be carried out exactly, with no loss of bits, in most computers—those with reals having fractions of 24 or more bits.

This choice allows us to use a lagged-Fibonacci generator, designated  $F(r, s, \oplus)$ , as the basic component of our universal generator, providing a sequence of reals by means of the operation  $\oplus \cdot y$ :

$$z_n = z_{n-r} \oplus z_{n-s} \quad \text{with } z_n = z_{n-r} \oplus z_{n-s}$$

where lags  $r$  and  $s$  are chosen so that the sequence is satisfactorily random and has a very long period. If initial, seed values,  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r$  are each 24-bit fractions,  $z_i = I_i/2^{24}$ , then the resulting sequence, generated by  $z_n = z_{n-r} \oplus z_{n-s}$ , will produce a sequence with period and structure identical to that of the corresponding sequence of integers

$$I_1, I_2, I_3, \dots \quad \text{with } I_n = I_{n-r} - I_{n-s} \pmod{2^{24}}$$

For suitable choices of the lags  $r$  and  $s$  the period of the sequence is  $(2^{24} - 1) \times 2^{r-1}$ . The need to choose  $r$  large for long period and randomness must be balanced with the resulting memory costs: a table of the  $r$  most recent  $=$  values must be stored. We have chosen  $r = 97, s = 33$ . The resulting cost of 97 memory locations for the circular list needed to implement the generator seems reasonable. A few hundred memory locations more or less is no longer the problem it used to be. The period of the resulting generator is  $(2^{24} - 1) \times 2^{96}$ , about  $2^{120}$ , which we boost to  $2^{144}$  by the other part of the combination generator, described below. Methods for establishing periods for  $F(r,s,-\text{mod } 2^k)$  generators are given in reference [2].

### The Second Part of the Combination

We now turn to choice of a generator to combine with the  $F(97,33,*)$  chosen above. We are not content with that generator alone, even though it has an extremely long period and appears to be suitably random from the stringent tests we have applied to it. But it fails one of the tests: the Birthday-Spacings Test. This test goes as follows: let each of the generated values  $=_1, =_2, \dots$  represent a "birthday" in a "year" of  $2^{24}$  days. Choose, say,  $m = 512$  birthdays,  $=_1, =_2, \dots, =_m$ . Sort these to get  $=_{(1)} \leq =_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq =_{(m)}$ . Form spacings  $y_1 = =_{(1)}$ ;  $y_2 = =_{(2)} - =_{(1)}$ ;  $y_3 = =_{(3)} - =_{(2)}$ ;  $\dots$ ;  $y_m = =_{(m)} - =_{(m-1)}$ . Sort the spacings, getting  $y_{(1)} \leq y_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq y_{(m)}$ . The test statistic is  $J$ , the number of duplicate values in the sorted spacings. i.e., initialize  $J = 0$  then for  $i = 2$  to  $m$ , put  $J = J + 1$  if  $y_{(i)} = y_{(i-1)}$ . The resulting  $J$  should have a Poisson distribution with mean  $\lambda = m^2 / (4n) = m^2 / 2^{24}$ . Lagged-Fibonacci generators  $F(r,s,*)$  fail this test, unless the lag  $r$  is more than 500 or the binary operation  $\circ$  is, say, multiplication for odd integers mod  $2^k$ .

In order to get a generator that passes all the stringent tests we have applied, we have resorted to combining the  $F(97,33,*)$  generator with a second generator. Combining different generators has strong theoretical support; see [1]. Our choice of the second generator is a simple arithmetic sequence for the prime modulus  $2^{24} - 3 = 16777213$ . For an initial integer  $I$ , subsequent integers are  $I - k, I - 2k, I - 3k, \dots$  mod  $16777216$ . This may be implemented in 24-bit reals, again with no bits lost, by letting the initial value be, say  $c = 362436/17666216$ , then forming successive 24-bit reals by the operation  $c \circ d$ , defined as  $c \circ d = \{\text{if } c \geq d \text{ then } c - d, \text{ else } c - d + 16777213/16777216\}$ . Here  $d$  is some convenient 24-bit rational,  $d = 7654321/16777216$ . The resulting sequence has period  $2^{24} - 3$ , and while it is far too regular for one, it serves, when combined by means of the  $\circ$  operation with the  $F(97,33,*)$  sequence, to provide a composite sequence that meets all of the criteria mentioned in the introduction, except for simplicity. All of the operations in the combination generator are simple, and the generation part is quite simple, but the setup procedure, setting the initial 97  $=$  values, is more complicated than the generating procedure. We now turn to details of implementation.

### Implementation

We have two binary operations, each able to produce exact arithmetic on reals with 24-bit fractions:

$$\circ y = \{\text{if } = \geq y \text{ then } = - y, \text{ else } = - y + 1\} \quad \text{cod} = \{\text{if } c \geq d \text{ then } c - d; \text{ else } c - d + 16777213/16777216\}.$$

We require computer instructions that will generate two sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} =_1, =_2, =_3, \dots, =_{97}, =_{98}, \dots & \quad \text{with } =_n = =_{n-97} \circ =_{n-33}, \\ c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots & \quad \text{with } c_n = c_{n-1} \circ (7654321/16777216). \end{aligned}$$

then produce the combined sequence

$$U_1, U_2, U_3, \dots \quad \text{with } U_n = =_n \circ c_n.$$

The  $c$  sequence requires only one initial value, which we arbitrarily set to  $c_1 = 362436/16777216$ . The  $=$  sequence requires 97 initial, seed, values, each a real of the form  $I/16777216$ , with  $0 \leq I \leq 16777215$ . The main problem in implementing the universal generator is in finding a suitable way to set the 97 initial values, a way that is both random and consistent from one computer to another. The  $F(97,33,-\text{mod } 1)$  generator is quite robust, in that it gives good results even for bad initial values. Nonetheless, we feel that the initial table should itself be filled by means of a good generator, one that need not be fast because it is used only for the setup. Of course, we might ask that the user provide 97 seed values, each with an exact

24-bit fraction, but that seems too great a burden. After considerable experimentation, we recommend the following procedure: assign values bit-by-bit to the initial table  $U(1), U(2), \dots, U(97)$  with a sequence of bits  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots$ . Thus  $U(1) = .b_1 b_2 \dots b_{24}$ ,  $U(2) = .b_{25} b_{26} \dots b_{48}$  and so on. The sequence of bits is generated by combining two different generators, each suitable for exact implementation in any computer: one a 3-lag Fibonacci generator, the other an ordinary congruential generator for modulus 169.

The two sequences that are combined to produce bits  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots$  are:

$$y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, \dots \quad \text{with} \quad y_n = y_{n-3} \times y_{n-2} \times y_{n-1} \pmod{179}.$$

$$z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4, \dots \quad \text{with} \quad z_n = 53z_{n-1} \pmod{169}.$$

Then  $b_i$  in the sequence of bits is formed as the sixth bit of the product  $y_i z_i$ , using operations which may be carried out in most programming languages:  $b_i = \{ \text{if } y_i z_i \pmod{64} < 32 \text{ then } 0, \text{ else } 1 \}$ .

Choosing the small moduli 179 and 169 ensures that arithmetic will be exact in all computers, after which combining the two generators by multiplication and bit extraction stays within the range of 16-bit integer arithmetic. The result is a sequence of bits that passes extensive tests for randomness, and thus seems well suited for initializing a universal generator.

The user's burden is reduced to providing three seed values for the 3-lag Fibonacci sequence, and one seed value for the congruential sequence  $z_n = 53z_{n-1} \pmod{169}$ . For Fortran implementations of the universal generator, we recommend that a table  $U(1), \dots, U(97)$  be shared, in (labelled) COMMON, with a setup routine, say `ESTART(I, J, K, L)`, and the function subprogram, `UNI()`, that returns the required uniform variate. An alternative approach is to have a single subprogram that includes an entry for the setup procedure, but not all Fortran compilers allow multiple entries to a subprogram. The initial, seed values for the setup are I, J, K, and L. Here I, J, K must be in the range 1 to 178, and not all 1, while L may be any integer from 0 to 168. If (positive) integer values are assigned to I, J, K, L outside the specified ranges, the generator will still be satisfactory, but may not produce exactly the same bit patterns in different computers, because of uncertainties when integer operations involve more than 15 bits.

To use the generator, one must first `CALL ESTART(I, J, K, L)` to set up the table in labelled common, then get subsequent uniform random variables by using `UNI()` in an expression, — as, for example, in `X=UNI()` or `Z=UNI()-ALOG(UNI())`, etc.

#### FORTRAN SUBPROGRAMS FOR INITIALIZING AND CALLING UNI

```
SUBROUTINE ESTART(I, J, K, L)
```

```
REAL U(97)
```

```
COMMON /SET1/ U, C, CD, CX
```

```
DO 2 II=1,97
```

```
S=0.
```

```
T=.5
```

```
DO 3 JJ=1,24
```

```
K=MOD(MOD(I*J, 179)*K, 179)
```

```
I=J
```

```
J=K
```

```
K=L
```

```
L=MOD(53*L+1, 169)
```

```
IF(MOD(L*K, 64) .GE. 32) S=S+T
```

```
T=.5*T
```

```
3
```

```
2
```

```
U(II)=S
```

```
C=362436./16777216.
```

```
CD=7654321./16777216.
```

```
CX=16777213./16777216.
```

```
RETURN
```

```
END
```

```
FUNCTION UNI()
```

```
REAL U(97)
```

```
COMMON /SET1/ U, C, CD, CX
```

```
DATA I, J/97, 33/
```

```
UNI=U(I)-U(J)
```

```
IF(UNI.LT.0.) UNI=UNI+1.
```

```
U(I)=UNI
```

```
I=I-1
```

```
IF(I.EQ.0) I=97
```

```
J=J-1
```

```
IF(J.EQ.0) J=97
```

```
C=C-CD
```

```
IF(C.LT.0.) C=C+CX
```

```
UNI=UNI-C
```

```
IF(UNI.LT.0.) UNI=UNI+1.
```

```
RETURN
```

```
END
```

## Verifying the Universality

We now suggest a short Fortran program for verifying that the universal generator will produce exactly the same 24-bit reals that other computers produce. Conversion to an equivalent Basic, Pascal or other program should be transparent. Assume then that you have implemented the UNI routine with its RSTART setup procedure in your computer. Running this short program or an equivalent:

```
CALL RSTART(12,34,56,78)
DO 2 I=1,20000
2 X=UNI()
PRINT 3, (4096.*(4096.*UNI()),I-1,6)
3 FORMAT(6F12.1)
END
```

should produce this output:

6533392.0 14220222.0 7275067.0 6172232.0 8354458.0 10633180.0

If it does, you will almost certainly have a universal random number generator that passes all the standard tests, and all the latest—more stringent—tests for randomness, has an incredibly long period, about  $2^{144}$ , and, for given RSTART values I,J,K,L, produces the same sequence of 24-bit reals as do almost all other commonly-used computers.

Good Luck

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