Lab 7 – Random Variables, Simulation

7.1 Random walks

a) Compute the approximate probability that a random walk, where steps forward and backwards have equal probability, reaches position d before n steps.

b) What is the likely position of the walk after **n** steps (try different values of n).

b) Assume now that steps forward are twice as probable as steps backwards. How does the probability change.

7.1 Surface Area

a) Compute the approximate area under function $f(x) = x^2 e^{-x}$ in the interval X = [0..10]