

Predicting the number of mistakes in chess games based on the chosen opening, time control and ranking difference

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1. Problem formulation.

a) Problem

The impact of the chess opening on the outcome of a game is a captivating subject that garners the attention of both professional players and enthusiasts of this noble game. Choosing the right opening can be crucial to the course of the entire game, affecting the number of errors made and, consequently, the chances of winning or even achieving an easy draw.

The chess opening refers to the initial moves made by each player on the board. There is an immense number of different openings, each with its unique characteristics and strategies. Some openings focus on rapid pawn development, while others emphasize control of central squares or the deployment of pieces. The choice of a specific opening may stem from a player's preferences but also from the analysis and knowledge of various variations.

The objective of this project is to examine the impact of a specific opening on the number of errors committed during a chess game. By analyzing the results of conducted matches, we will be able to assess whether there is a correlation between the chosen opening and subsequent mistakes. Do certain openings lead to a higher number of blunders, while others facilitate a more stable and controlled game?

Investigating such a relationship can contribute to the refinement of chess-playing strategies for both professional players and amateurs. Understanding which openings are riskier or safer can influence tactical choices during gameplay. Furthermore, analyzing the impact of the opening on the game's outcome can provide valuable insights for predicting errors and making appropriate decisions.

In the further stages of the project, we will delve into various chess openings and analyze game results, focusing on identifying patterns and trends. Through this study, we aim to answer the question of whether the choice of opening can indeed influence the course and outcome of a chess game.

b) Use Cases

This project aims to analyze the influence of different chess openings on the number of errors committed during a game. By studying the data and conducting statistical analyses, we can

uncover patterns and trends regarding the impact of specific openings on gameplay accuracy. Such insights can have practical applications in several use cases, including:

- **Chess Training and Coaching:** Understanding the relationship between openings and errors can aid chess trainers and coaches in developing more effective training programs. By identifying openings that tend to lead to higher error rates, trainers can focus on addressing specific weaknesses in their students' gameplay and provide targeted guidance.
- **Game Strategy Development:** The analysis of opening choices and their impact on errors can assist chess players in refining their game strategies. Players can leverage this knowledge to select openings that align with their playing style and minimize the likelihood of making mistakes, thereby enhancing their overall performance.
- **Opening Repertoire Selection:** For both amateur and professional players, the choice of opening repertoire is a crucial decision. The analysis conducted in this project can provide valuable insights into the relative strengths and weaknesses of different openings, allowing players to construct a well-rounded repertoire tailored to their individual preferences and objectives.
- **Opponent Analysis:** Examining the relationship between openings and errors can also be useful for analyzing opponents' gameplay tendencies. By understanding the typical errors associated with certain openings, players can anticipate their opponents' moves and capitalize on potential weaknesses.

c) Data origin

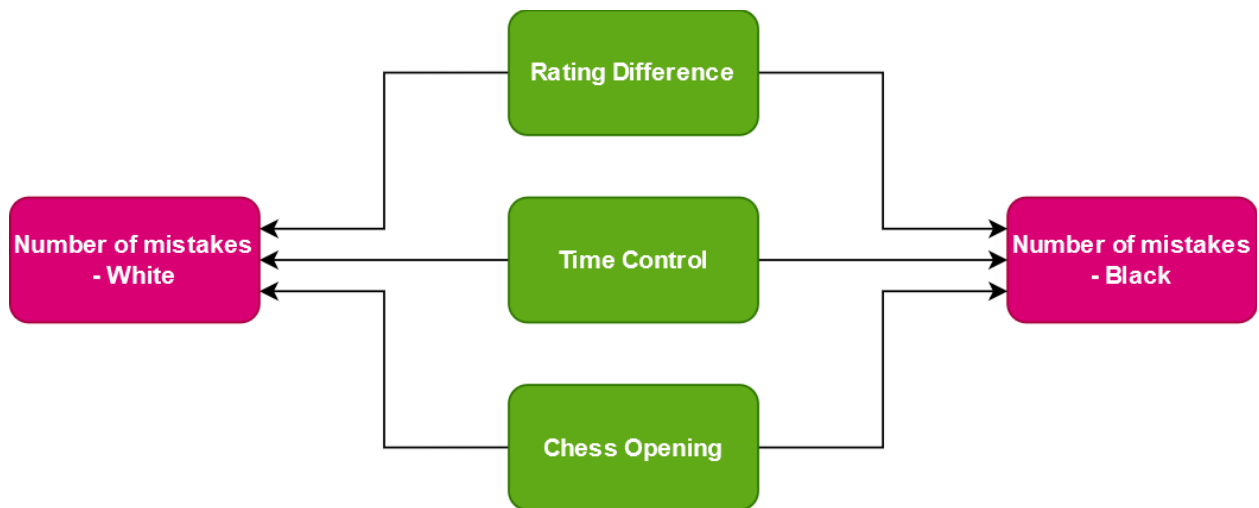
The dataset used in the project comes from the Kaggle platform and is called "Lichess Chess Game Dataset". It can be found at the following link:

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/asrinyigit/lichess-chess-game-dataset> or in a csv file: lichess_games_dataset.csv

This dataset was collected from the Lichess platform, which is a popular chess game website. It contains an extensive collection of recorded chess games that have been played on this platform.

The dataset contains a variety of information about the games played, such as the moves made by players, the time taken to make a move, the ranking of players, the result of the game and much more. The available data allows us to conduct detailed analyses on strategy, tactics, game results and other aspects related to the game of chess.

d) DAG



e) Confoundings

Confoundings is a phenomenon in which the influence of one variable on the outcome variable is distorted by the presence of another variable, known as a confounding factor. In the considered model, there are two types of confounding:

- Pipe: "Time Control" can have an influence on the "Chess Opening", creating a relationship between these two factors. It is important to account for this relationship in the model to avoid potential confounding and to assess the associations between variables more accurately.
- Collider: The variables "Number of mistakes - White" and "Number of mistakes - Black" are colliders because they are directly dependent on different factors, such as "Time Control", "Chess Opening" and "Rating Difference." The presence of a collider can lead to erroneous conclusions about the relationship between mistakes made by white and black players.

Program

Importing necessary libraries.

```
from cmdstanpy import CmdStanModel
import seaborn as sns

import arviz as az
import numpy as np
import scipy.stats as stats

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd

from copy import deepcopy
```

```
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")

/usr/local/lib/python3.9/site-packages/tqdm/auto.py:22: TqdmWarning:
IPProgress not found. Please update jupyter and ipywidgets. See
https://ipywidgets.readthedocs.io/en/stable/user_install.html
  from .autonotebook import tqdm as notebook_tqdm
```

2. Data preprocessing

a) Data loading

There are two csv files needed:

- "lichess_games_dataset.csv" - file with chess games data
- "chess_openings.csv" - file with chess openings names used in ECO (opening code) to opening name decoding.

```
df_games = pd.read_csv('lichess_games_dataset.csv', usecols=["Time
Control", "White Rating", "Black Rating", "Opening ECO", "White's
Number of Mistakes", "White's Number of Blunders",
                                                             "Black's
Number of Mistakes", "Black's Number of Blunders", "Winner"])
df_openings = pd.read_csv('chess_openings.csv')
```

```
df_games.head()
```

	Time Control	White Rating	Black Rating	Opening ECO	\
0	10 + 0	1441	1559	C20	
1	10 + 15	1258	1567	C46	
2	60 + 10	1697	1712	C68	
3	10 + 0	1978	1868	D31	
4	10 + 0	2073	1816	A01	

	White's Number of Mistakes	White's Number of Blunders	\
0	2	0	
1	0	1	
2	0	0	
3	0	0	
4	2	0	

	Black's Number of Mistakes	Black's Number of Blunders	Winner
0	4	1	White
1	0	0	Black
2	0	2	White
3	0	1	White
4	3	0	White

```
df_openings.head()
```

	ECO	name	moves
0	A00	Anderssen's Opening	1.a3
1	A00	Polish Gambit, Anderssen's Opening	1.a3 a5 2.b4
2	A00	Creepy Crawly Formation	1.a3 e5 2.h3 d5
3	A00	Andersspike	1.a3 g6 2.g4
4	A00	Ware; Meadow Hay; Crab	1.a4

b) Opening ECO mapping to name

Mapping is done using chess_openings dataset ("chess_openings.csv").

```
def map_ECO_to_name(ECO):
    mapped_ECO = list(df_openings.loc[df_openings["ECO"] == ECO]
["name"])[0]
    try:
        i = 1
        while mapped_ECO == ECO:
            mapped_ECO = list(df_openings.loc[df_openings["ECO"] ==
ECO]["name"])[i]
            i += 1
    except IndexError:
        return None
    if ";" in mapped_ECO:
        mapped_ECO = mapped_ECO.split(";")[0] if ECO not in
mapped_ECO.split(";")[0] else mapped_ECO.split(";")[1]
    if "," in mapped_ECO:
        mapped_ECO = mapped_ECO.split(",")[0] if ECO not in
mapped_ECO.split(",")[0] else mapped_ECO.split(",")[1]
    return mapped_ECO

ECOs = list(df_games["Opening ECO"])
ECOs_names = [map_ECO_to_name(ECO) for ECO in ECOs]
df_games.insert(4, "Opening Name", ECOs_names)
```

c) Selecting four openings and coding them.

```
number_of_records = {}

for n, record in df_games.iterrows():
    opening = record['Opening Name']

    try:
        number_of_records[opening]
    except KeyError:
        number_of_records[opening] = 1
        continue
    number_of_records[opening] += 1

selected_openings = {}
```

```

for op, num in number_of_records.items():
    if num <= 300:
        continue
    print(f'{op}:\t{num}')
    selected_openings[op] = num

```

```

King Pawn Game: 306
Italian Game: 555
Franco-Sicilian Defense: 637
Center Counter: 630
Queen Pawn Game: 678
Indian Defense: 381
Petroff Defense: 308
Ware Defense: 563
Caro-Kann Defense: 324
Philidor Defense: 496
Hartlaub Gambit: 511
Anderssen's Opening: 635
Sicilian Defense: 486
Zukertort Variation: 348

```

Chosen openings are Petroff Defense, Sicilian Defense, Queen Pawn Game, Italian Game. Those openings were chosen because of two main reasons:

- for each of them there is at least 300 records (it is enough number to get reasonable results),
- One of them (Petroff Defense) is considered debut of a more tranquil kind. We therefore expect these games to be characterized by fewer errors. Another one (Sicilian Defense), on the other hand, is considered aggressive debut, leading to more dynamic and therefore less accurate play. The last two openings (Queen Pawn Game, Italian Game) can (depending on the variant) lead to both calmer and more complicated play, and thus the number of errors can vary quite a bit.

```

df_games = df_games.loc[(df_games["Opening Name"] == 'Sicilian
Defense') | (df_games["Opening Name"] == 'Petroff Defense') |
                        (df_games["Opening Name"] == 'Queen Pawn
Game') | (df_games["Opening Name"] == 'Italian Game')]

```

```

df_games.insert(loc=5, column="Opening Name Mapped", value='')

```

```

df_games["Opening Name Mapped"].mask(df_games["Opening Name"] ==
'Sicilian Defense', 1, inplace=True)
df_games["Opening Name Mapped"].mask(df_games["Opening Name"] ==
'Petroff Defense', 2, inplace=True)
df_games["Opening Name Mapped"].mask(df_games["Opening Name"] ==
'Queen Pawn Game', 3, inplace=True)
df_games["Opening Name Mapped"].mask(df_games["Opening Name"] ==
'Italian Game', 4, inplace=True)

```

Coding opening names to integers is needed needed for use them in the model.

d) Merging mistakes with blunders

Blunders in chess are just "more serious mistakes". That's why they can be added to make the total number of mistakes (of all weights) done by players.

```
df_games['White\'s Number of Mistakes'] = df_games['White\'s Number of Mistakes'] + df_games['White\'s Number of Blunders']
df_games['Black\'s Number of Mistakes'] = df_games['Black\'s Number of Mistakes'] + df_games['Black\'s Number of Blunders']
df_games.drop(columns=['White\'s Number of Blunders', 'Black\'s Number of Blunders'], inplace=True)
df_games.head()
```

	Time Control	White Rating	Black Rating	Opening ECO	Oppening
Name \					
6	15 + 0	1500	2058	C50	Italian
Game					
26	3 + 0	1883	1899	C50	Italian
Game					
28	10 + 15	1595	1483	D00	Queen Pawn
Game					
36	60 + 10	2005	1986	C42	Petroff
Defense					
37	5 + 5	2038	1996	D00	Queen Pawn
Game					

	Opening Name Mapped	White's Number of Mistakes	\
6	4	2	
26	4	4	
28	3	2	
36	2	0	
37	3	4	

	Black's Number of Mistakes	Winner
6	4	White
26	8	White
28	1	Black
36	4	White
37	6	White

e) Time Control mapping to name and coding

Mapping helps to create three main groups used in chess (Classic, Rapid and Blitz) from many time cotrol values. Coding time control to integers is needed needed for use them in the model.

```
df_games["Time Control"].unique()
```

```

array(['15 + 0', '3 + 0', '10 + 15', '60 + 10', '5 + 5', '3 + 2',
      '30 + 25', '60 + 0', '10 + 0', '5 + 0', '30 + 0'],
dtype=object)

df_games.insert(loc=1, column="Time Control Name", value='')
df_games["Time Control Name"].mask((df_games["Time Control"] == '3 + 2') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '5 + 5') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '5 + 0') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '3 + 0')), 'Blitz', inplace=True)
df_games["Time Control Name"].mask((df_games["Time Control"] == '10 + 0') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '10 + 15') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '15 + 0')), 'Rapid', inplace=True)
df_games["Time Control Name"].mask((df_games["Time Control"] == '60 + 10') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '60 + 0') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '30 + 0') | (df_games["Time Control"] == '30 + 25')), 'Classic', inplace=True)

df_games.insert(loc=2, column="Time Control Mapped", value='')
df_games["Time Control Mapped"].mask((df_games["Time Control Name"] == 'Blitz'), 1, inplace=True)
df_games["Time Control Mapped"].mask((df_games["Time Control Name"] == 'Rapid'), 2, inplace=True)
df_games["Time Control Mapped"].mask((df_games["Time Control Name"] == 'Classic'), 3, inplace=True)

```

f) Calculating rating difference

```

df_games.insert(loc=3, column="Rating Difference", value='')
df_games['Rating Difference'] = df_games['White Rating'] - df_games['Black Rating']
df_games.drop(columns=['White Rating', 'Black Rating'], inplace=True)
df_games.head()

```

	Time Control	Time Control Name	Time Control Mapped	Rating Difference \
6	15 + 0	Rapid	2	-
558				
26	3 + 0	Blitz	1	-
16				
28	10 + 15	Rapid	2	
112				
36	60 + 10	Classic	3	
19				
37	5 + 5	Blitz	1	
42				

	Opening ECO	Opening Name	Opening Name Mapped \
6	C50	Italian Game	4
26	C50	Italian Game	4
28	D00	Queen Pawn Game	3

36	C42	Petroff Defense	2
37	D00	Queen Pawn Game	3

	White's Number of Mistakes	Black's Number of Mistakes	Winner
6	2	4	White
26	4	8	White
28	2	1	Black
36	0	4	White
37	4	6	White

g) Removing rows with NaN values

```
df_games.dropna()
```

	Time Control	Time Control	Name	Time Control	Mapped	Rating
Difference \						
6	15 + 0		Rapid		2	
-558						
26	3 + 0		Blitz		1	
-16						
28	10 + 15		Rapid		2	
112						
36	60 + 10		Classic		3	
19						
37	5 + 5		Blitz		1	
42						
...	
...						
18374	5 + 0		Blitz		1	
-125						
18380	10 + 0		Rapid		2	
24						
18404	5 + 5		Blitz		1	
13						
18424	15 + 0		Rapid		2	
-4						
18454	30 + 0		Classic		3	
342						

	Opening	ECO	Oppening Name	Opening Name	Mapped	\
6		C50	Italian Game		4	
26		C50	Italian Game		4	
28		D00	Queen Pawn Game		3	
36		C42	Petroff Defense		2	
37		D00	Queen Pawn Game		3	
...		
18374		B20	Sicilian Defense		1	
18380		C50	Italian Game		4	
18404		C42	Petroff Defense		2	
18424		D00	Queen Pawn Game		3	

18454	B20	Sicilian Defense	1	
	White's Number of Mistakes	Black's Number of Mistakes	Winner	
6	2	4	White	
26	4	8	White	
28	2	1	Black	
36	0	4	White	
37	4	6	White	
...
18374	4	6	White	
18380	2	3	White	
18404	3	3	Black	
18424	2	4	White	
18454	1	0	Black	

[2027 rows x 10 columns]

h) Saving data to csv

```
df_games.to_csv('Chess_data_after_preprocessing.csv')
```

3. Model

a) Models specification

- Model 1 - it takes into account time control and ranking difference. This model is designed to analyze the effect of time control and ranking difference on the number of errors of each party. The model takes into account two independent variables: "time_control" (representing the type of time controlled) and "rating_difference" (representing the ranking difference between players). By appropriately assigning coefficients (e.g. gamma_white), the model estimates the effect of these variables on the number of player errors. Analysis of this model will allow us to assess how time control and ranking difference affect the quality of the game.
- Model 2 - This model extends the "Model 1" by also considering the "opening" variable, which represents the choice of opening in the game. We assume that "opening" can affect game performance, regardless of time control and ranking difference. In the model, we include factors such as "time_control," "rating_difference" and "opening" that affect the outcome variable "mistakes." By estimating the relevant coefficients, the model will allow us to assess the impact of these variables on the number of player mistakes.

b) Difference between models

In "Model 1", we analyze the effect of time control and ranking difference on game performance. We assume that the number of player errors depends only on these two variables. In "Model 2", we extend the analysis by additionally considering the "opening" variable, which represents the choice of opening in the game. Both models allow us to evaluate the impact of these variables on game performance, but the second model additionally includes the choice of opening as a factor affecting player errors.

c) Models difference justification

Such different models will be the best for studying the effect of chess opening on the number of errors made by players (which is the goal of this project), since the only difference between them is precisely the fact of taking into account or not taking into account the chosen debit.

d) Models description

Common elements of the models (formulas and parameters that fulfill the same roles, differing at most in values between models):

- Inputs include information about the number of samples (N), the difference in ranking (rating_difference), time control (time_control), and the number of mistakes of the white player (mistakes_white_model) and the black player (mistakes_black_model).
- Model parameters include "gamma_white" and "gamma_black" (influence of ranking) and "time_controll_coeff_blitz", "time_controll_coeff_rapid" and "time_controll_coeff_classic" (influence of type of time controlled).

Elements included in "Model 2" only:

- The variables "opening_coeff_sicilian", "opening_coeff_petroff", "opening_coeff_queen_pawn" and "opening_coeff_italian" (influence of opening choice) were added to the model parameters.

In the model section, calculations are made for the number of player errors based on the parameters and input data. The poisson_log function is used, which operates on the logarithms of the expected number of events to account for the positivity condition of the lambda parameter in the Poisson distribution. The logarithmic transformation allows modeling the value of λ in terms of the whole real number, which is important because of the positivity requirement for λ in a Poisson distribution. The poisson_log function generates a Poisson distribution based on the logarithm of the expected number of events, and the poisson_log_rng function generates random values from this distribution. Using the poisson_log function allows you to take into account the fact that the lambda parameter must be add.

$$\log \lambda_{color} = \gamma_{color} * rating_difference + time_control_coeff + (opening_coeff)$$

$$mistakes_{color} \sim Poisson(\lambda_{color})$$

4. Priors

Data loading

```
df = pd.read_csv('Chess_data_after_preprocessing.csv')
df.drop(columns=['Unnamed: 0'], inplace=True)
df
```

Time Control	Time Control	Name	Time Control	Mapped	Rating
Difference \					
0	15 + 0	Rapid		2	
-558					

1	3 + 0	Blitz	1
-16			
2	10 + 15	Rapid	2
112			
3	60 + 10	Classic	3
19			
4	5 + 5	Blitz	1
42			
...
...			
2022	5 + 0	Blitz	1
-125			
2023	10 + 0	Rapid	2
24			
2024	5 + 5	Blitz	1
13			
2025	15 + 0	Rapid	2
-4			
2026	30 + 0	Classic	3
342			

	Opening	ECO	Oppening Name	Opening Name Mapped	\
0		C50	Italian Game	4	
1		C50	Italian Game	4	
2		D00	Queen Pawn Game	3	
3		C42	Petroff Defense	2	
4		D00	Queen Pawn Game	3	
...		
2022		B20	Sicilian Defense	1	
2023		C50	Italian Game	4	
2024		C42	Petroff Defense	2	
2025		D00	Queen Pawn Game	3	
2026		B20	Sicilian Defense	1	

	White's Number of Mistakes	Black's Number of Mistakes	Winner
0	2	4	White
1	4	8	White
2	2	1	Black
3	0	4	White
4	4	6	White
...
2022	4	6	White
2023	2	3	White
2024	3	3	Black
2025	2	4	White
2026	1	0	Black

[2027 rows x 10 columns]

Setting values for constants

```

N = df.shape[0]
time_control_list = list(df['Time Control Mapped'])
opening_list = list(df['Opening Name Mapped'])
rating_difference_list = list(df['Rating Difference'])
mistakes_white_list = list(df['White\'s Number of Mistakes'])
mistakes_black_list = list(df['Black\'s Number of Mistakes'])

R = 100

```

Model 1 - prior

a) Prior parameters values with explanation:

- $\gamma_{\text{white}} = \text{normal_rng}(-0.0015, 0.0001)$ - γ_{white} is a coefficient that determines the effect of the ranking difference (rating_difference) on the number of mistakes made by a player playing with the white color (mistakes_white). The value of μ is negative, because a positive rating difference means an advantage for the white color (we assume that less mistakes are made when playing with a weaker player).
- $\gamma_{\text{black}} = \text{normal_rng}(0.0015, 0.0001)$ - γ_{black} is a coefficient that determines the effect of the ranking difference (rating_difference) on the number of mistakes made by a player playing with the white black (mistakes_black). The value of μ is positive, because a positive rating difference means an advantage for the white color (we assume that more mistakes are made when playing with a stronger player).
- $\text{time_controll_coeff}$ - $\text{time_controll_coeff}$ is a vector of coefficients that determine the effect of the time controll (time_controll) on the number of mistakes made by both players (mistakes_white & mistakes_black). The assumption is that the faster game is the more mistakes are done.
 - $\text{time_controll_coeff}[1] = \text{normal_rng}(1.3, 0.1)$ - coefficient for blitz games (μ is the greatest among $\text{time_controll_coeff}$ s)
 - $\text{time_controll_coeff}[2] = \text{normal_rng}(0.8, 0.1)$ - coefficient for rapid games (μ is greater than for classics but lower than for blitz)
 - $\text{time_controll_coeff}[3] = \text{normal_rng}(0.4, 0.1)$ - coefficient for classic games (μ is the lowest among $\text{time_controll_coeff}$ s)

```

model_1_ppc = CmdStanModel(stan_file='stan_files/model_1_ppc.stan')

model_1_prior = model_1_ppc.sample(
    data={
        'rating_difference': rating_difference_list,
        'N': len(time_control_list),
        'time_control': time_control_list,
    },
    seed=19042023,
    fixed_param=True,
    iter_sampling=R,
    iter_warmup=0,
    chains=1
)

```

```

model_1_prior_df = model_1_prior.draws_pd()
model_1_prior_df.head()

INFO:cmdstanpy:found newer exe file, not recompiling
INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan start processing
chain 1 | ██████████ | 00:00 Sampling completed

```

```

INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan done processing.

```

	lp__	accept_stat__	gamma_white	gamma_black
time_controll_coeff[1]	\			
0	0.0	0.0	-0.001521	0.001432
1.17601				
1	0.0	0.0	-0.001620	0.001312
1.33492				
2	0.0	0.0	-0.001435	0.001665
1.37245				
3	0.0	0.0	-0.001355	0.001473
1.11763				
4	0.0	0.0	-0.001683	0.001416
1.40823				

	time_controll_coeff[2]	time_controll_coeff[3]
mistakes_white[1]	\	
0	0.811876	0.472156
1	0.662482	0.349655
2	0.737271	0.286275
3	0.726541	0.287589
4	0.743485	0.290130

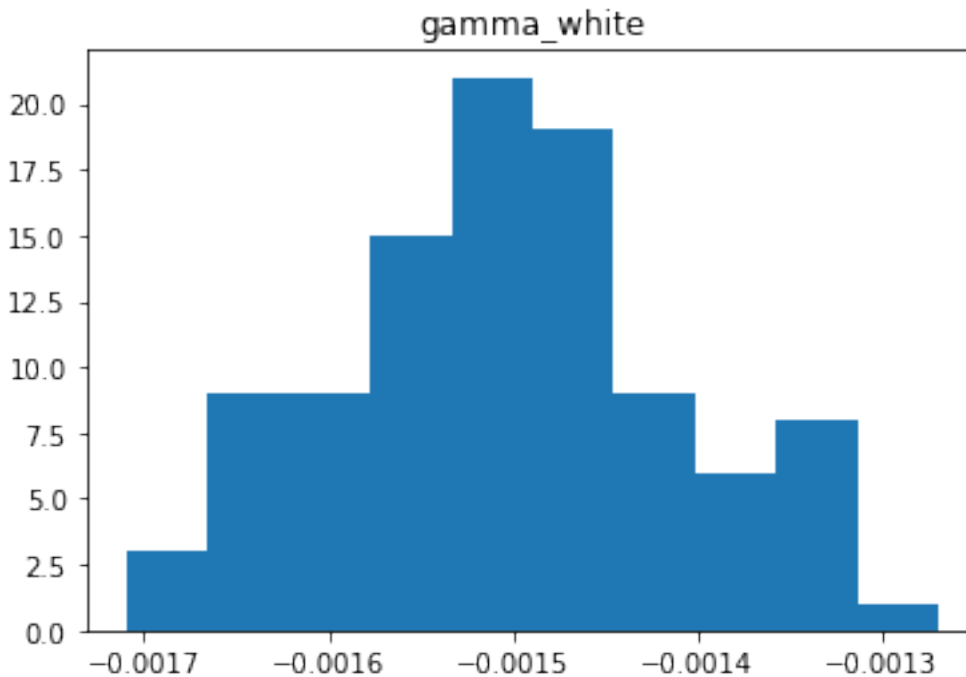
	mistakes_white[2]	mistakes_white[3]	...	mistakes_black[2018]	\
0	1.0	0.0	...	3.0	
1	3.0	1.0	...	1.0	
2	5.0	3.0	...	3.0	
3	1.0	1.0	...	1.0	
4	4.0	1.0	...	1.0	

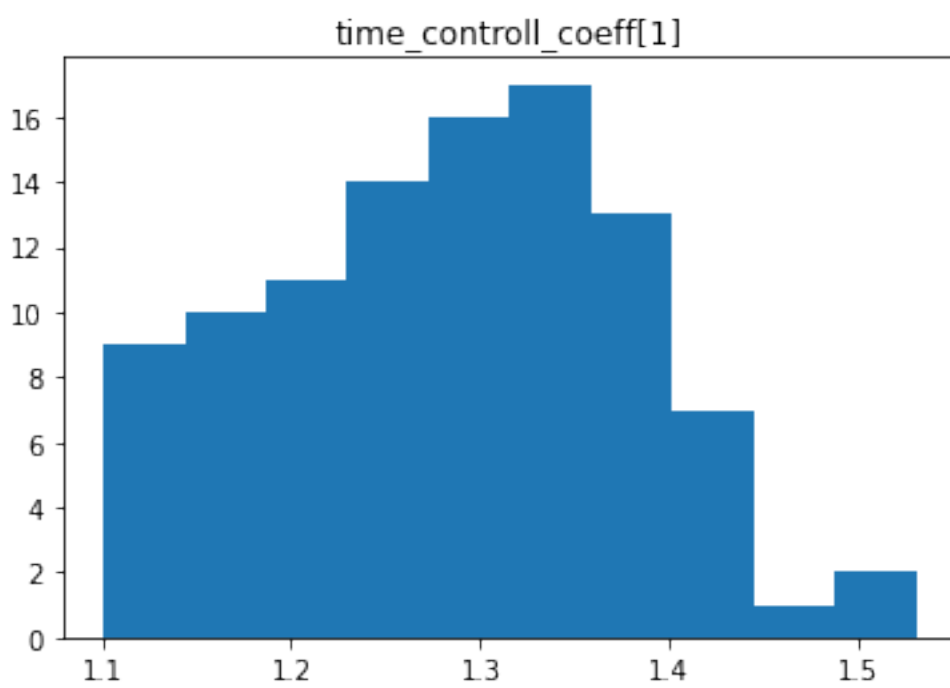
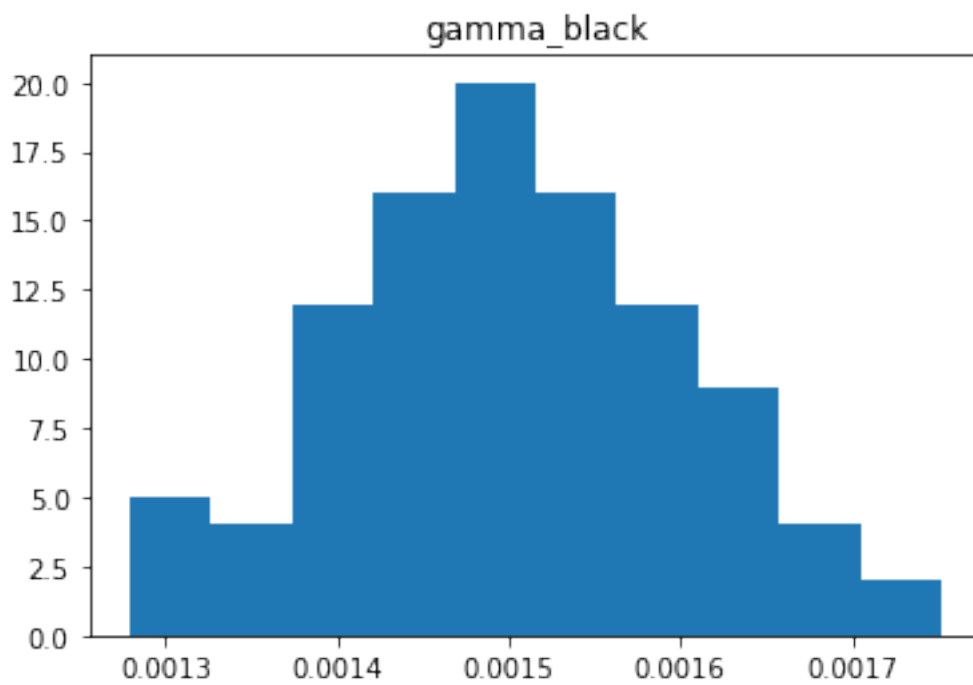
	mistakes_black[2019]	mistakes_black[2020]	mistakes_black[2021]	\
0	1.0	2.0	2.0	
1	0.0	3.0	5.0	
2	4.0	5.0	4.0	

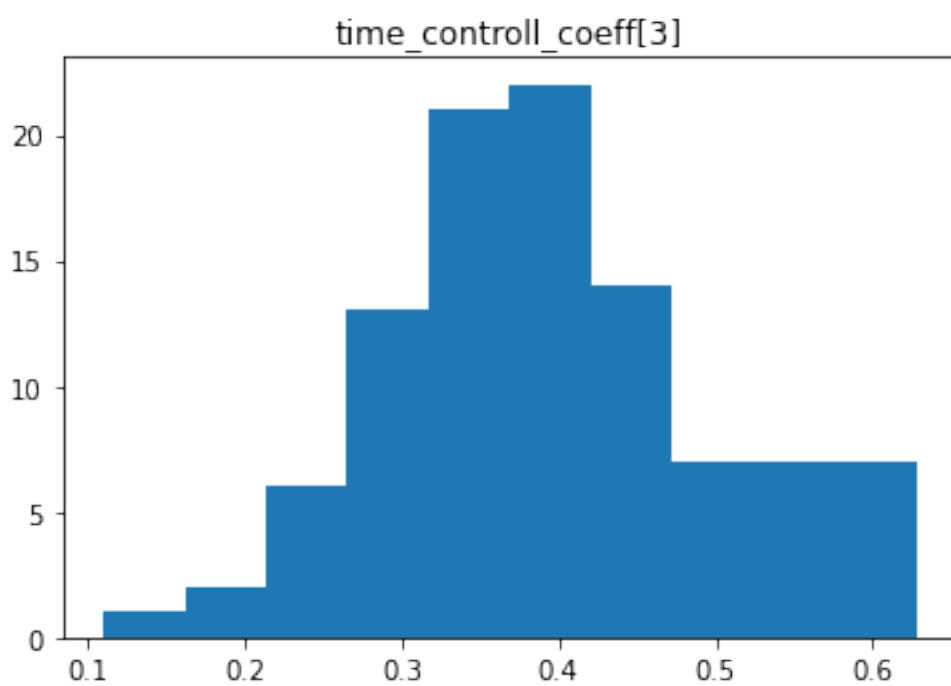
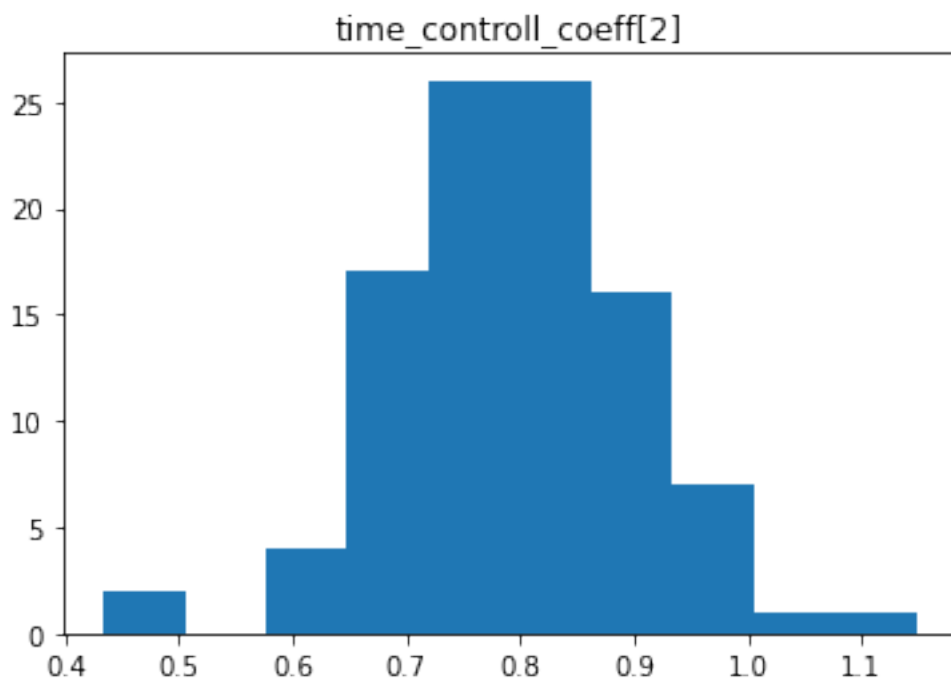
3	3.0	3.0	4.0
4	2.0	5.0	2.0
	mistakes_black[2022]	mistakes_black[2023]	mistakes_black[2024] \
0	2.0	1.0	3.0
1	3.0	5.0	3.0
2	4.0	3.0	3.0
3	3.0	4.0	4.0
4	3.0	7.0	4.0
	mistakes_black[2025]	mistakes_black[2026]	mistakes_black[2027]
0	3.0	3.0	3.0
1	8.0	1.0	0.0
2	1.0	0.0	0.0
3	4.0	1.0	2.0
4	6.0	2.0	1.0
[5 rows x 4061 columns]			

b) Prior predictive checks for parameters

```
for parameter in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',
                  'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',
                  'time_controll_coeff[3]']:
    plt.hist(model_1_prior_df[parameter])
    plt.title(parameter)
    plt.show()
```







Parameters simulated from priors meet our expectations.

c) Prior predictive checks for measurements

```
mistakes_by_time_control = {  
    'Classic': {'Black': [], 'White': []},  
    'Rapid': {'Black': [], 'White': []},  
    'Blitz': {'Black': [], 'White': []}
```

```

}

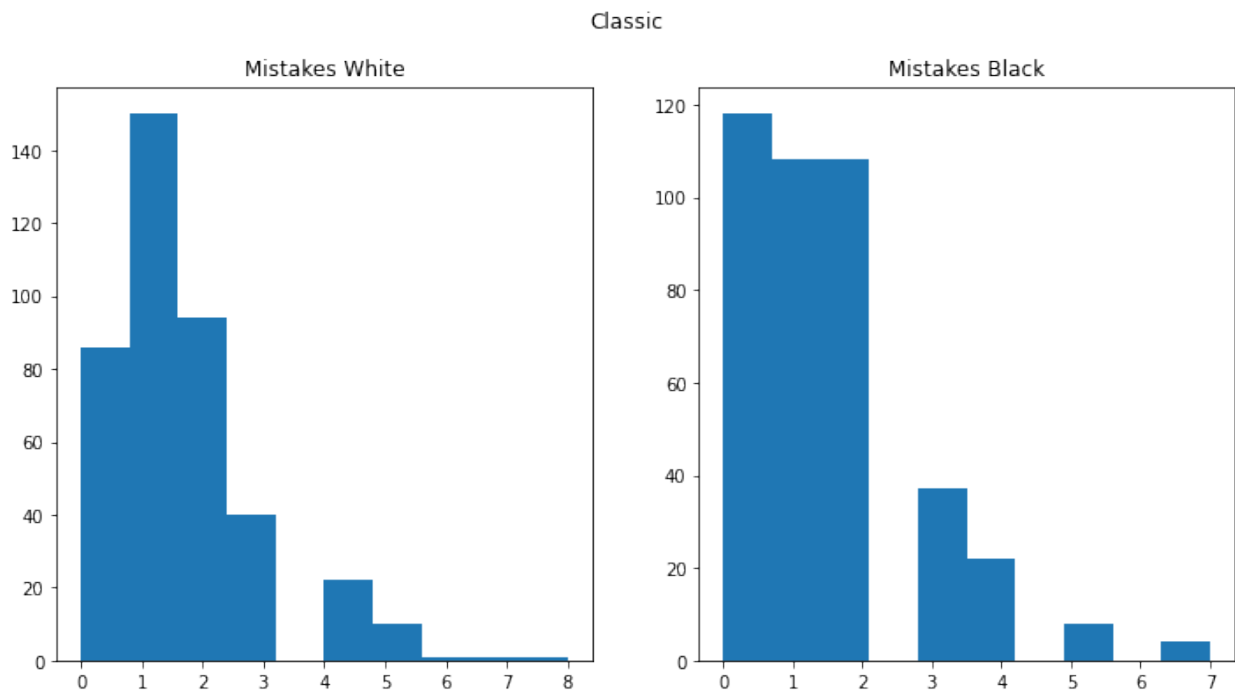
time_control_mapping = {
    3: 'Classic',
    2: 'Rapid',
    1: 'Blitz'
}

for i in range(N):
    tc = time_control_mapping[time_control_list[i]]
    for color in ['Black', 'White']:
        mistakes_by_time_control[tc][color].append(model_1_prior_df[f'mistakes_{color.lower()}[{i+1}]'].values[59])

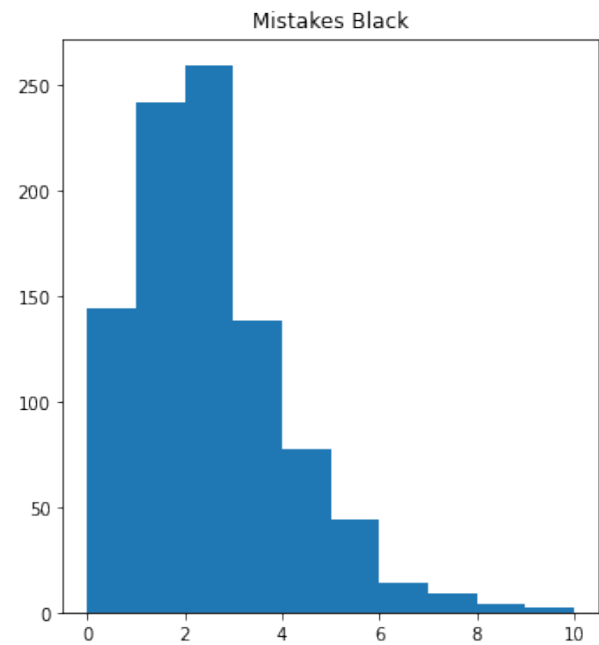
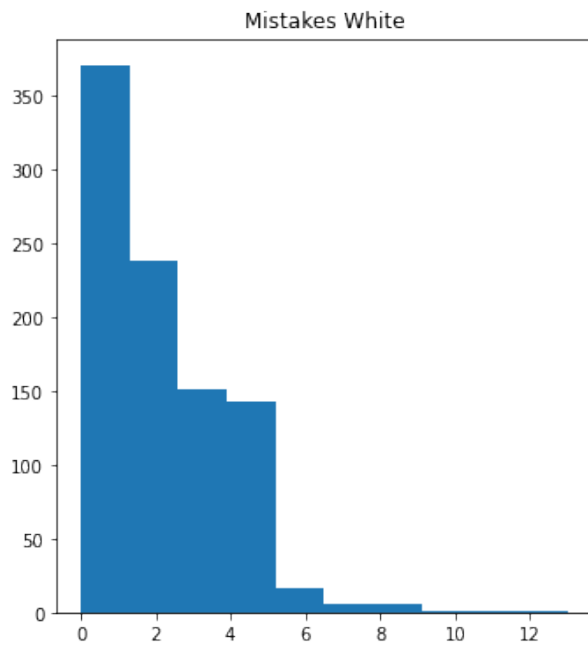
for tc in mistakes_by_time_control.keys():
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
    fig.suptitle(tc)
    for c_i, color in enumerate(['White', 'Black']):
        axs[c_i].hist(mistakes_by_time_control[tc][color])
        axs[c_i].set_title(f'Mistakes {color}')

plt.show()

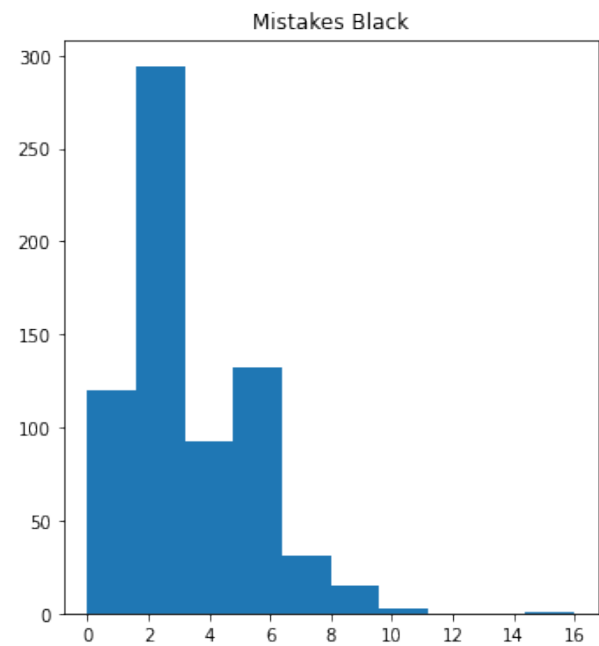
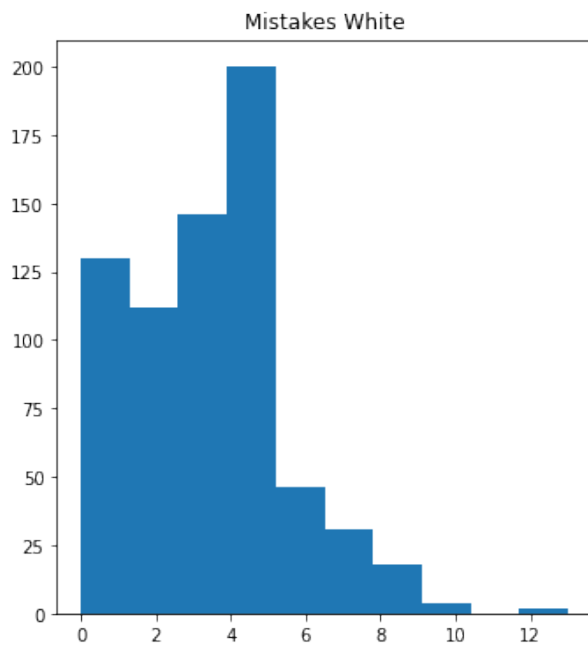
```



Rapid



Blitz



Measurements simulated from priors meet our expectations - as the time available for moves decreases, the number of errors increases

d) Prior parameters selection.

As prior parameters were selected those values for which the model results were most similar to the actual data

```

best_matching = -1
best_matching_ind = -1

for row_index, row in model_1_prior_df.iterrows():
    tmp_mistakes_white = []
    tmp_mistakes_black = []

    for i in range(N):
        tmp_mistakes_white.append(row[f'mistakes_white[{i+1}]'])
        tmp_mistakes_black.append(row[f'mistakes_black[{i+1}]'])

    number_of_matched_white = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_white, mistakes_white_list) if x == y)
    number_of_matched_black = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_black, mistakes_black_list) if x == y)
    acceptance_percent = (number_of_matched_white +
number_of_matched_black) / (len(mistakes_white_list) +
len(mistakes_black_list)) * 100

    if acceptance_percent > best_matching:
        best_matching = acceptance_percent
        best_matching_ind = row_index

chosen_row_in_prior_model_1 = best_matching_ind
prior_parameters_model_1 = {}

print('Prior parameters for Model 1:')
for col_name in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',
'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',
'time_controll_coeff[3]']:
    prior_parameters_model_1[col_name] =
model_1_prior_df.loc[chosen_row_in_prior_model_1, col_name]
    print(f"\t{col_name} =
{model_1_prior_df.loc[chosen_row_in_prior_model_1, col_name]}")

Prior parameters for Model 1:
gamma_white = -0.00144638
gamma_black = 0.00137461
time_controll_coeff[1] = 1.23487
time_controll_coeff[2] = 0.836987
time_controll_coeff[3] = 0.295052

```

Model 2 - prior

a) Prior parameters values with explanation:

- $\gamma_{\text{white}} = \text{normal_rng}(-0.0015, 0.0001)$ - γ_{white} is a coefficient that determines the effect of the ranking difference (rating_difference) on the number of mistakes made by a player playing with the white color (mistakes_white). The value of μ is negative, because a positive rating difference means an advantage for the white color (we assume that less mistakes are made when playing with a weaker player).

- `gamma_black = normal_rng(0.0015, 0.0001)` - `gamma_black` is a coefficient that determines the effect of the ranking difference (`rating_difference`) on the number of mistakes made by a player playing with the white/black (mistakes_black). The value of μ is positive, because a positive rating difference means an advantage for the white color (we assume that more mistakes are made when playing with a stronger player).
- `time_controll_coeff` - `time_controll_coeff` is a vector of coefficients that determine the effect of the time controll (`time_controll`) on the number of mistakes made by both players (`mistakes_white` & `mistakes_black`). The assumption is that the faster game is the more mistakes are done.
 - `time_controll_coeff[1] = normal_rng(1.3, 0.1)` - coefficient for blitz games (μ is the greatest among `time_controll_coefficients`)
 - `time_controll_coeff[2] = normal_rng(0.8, 0.1)` - coefficient for rapid games (μ is greater than for classics but lower than for blitz)
 - `time_controll_coeff[3] = normal_rng(0.4, 0.1)` - coefficient for classic games (μ is the lowest among `time_controll_coefficients`)
- `opening_coeff` - `opening_coeff` is a vector of coefficients that determine the effect of the chosen opening on the number of mistakes made by both players (`mistakes_white` & `mistakes_black`). In a more aggressive opening, more mistakes will be made, while in a calm, tie-biased opening number of mistakes will be fewer.
 - `opening_coeff[1] = normal_rng(0.6, 0.05)` - coefficient for Sicilian opening (μ is the greatest among `opening_coefficients`)
 - `opening_coeff[2] = normal_rng(0.25, 0.05)` - coefficient for Petroff Defense opening (μ is the lowest among `opening_coefficients`)
 - `opening_coeff[3] = normal_rng(0.35, 0.05)` - coefficient for Queen Pawn opening (μ is greater than for Petroff Defense but lower than for Sicilian)
 - `opening_coeff[4] = normal_rng(0.35, 0.05)` - coefficient for Italian opening (μ is greater than for Petroff Defense but lower than for Sicilian)

```
model_2_ppc = CmdStanModel(stan_file='stan_files/model_2_ppc.stan')

model_2_prior = model_2_ppc.sample(
  data={
    'rating_difference': rating_difference_list,
    'N': len(time_control_list),
    'time_control': time_control_list,
    'opening': opening_list
  },
  seed=19042023,
  fixed_param=True,
  iter_sampling=R,
  iter_warmup=0,
  chains=1
)

model_2_prior_df = model_2_prior.draws_pd()
model_2_prior_df.head()
```

```
INFO:cmdstanpy:found newer exe file, not recompiling
INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan start processing
chain 1 | ██████████ | 00:00 Sampling completed
```

```
INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan done processing.
```

	lp__	accept_stat__	gamma_white	gamma_black
time_controll_coeff[1]	\			
0	0.0	0.0	-0.001521	0.001432
1.17601				
1	0.0	0.0	-0.001424	0.001625
1.17026				
2	0.0	0.0	-0.001515	0.001430
1.22963				
3	0.0	0.0	-0.001307	0.001676
1.24910				
4	0.0	0.0	-0.001488	0.001531
1.14947				

	time_controll_coeff[2]	time_controll_coeff[3]	opening_coeff[1]	\
0	0.811876	0.472156	0.630683	
1	0.821946	0.465057	0.648372	
2	0.726746	0.449813	0.662715	
3	0.803572	0.090108	0.592138	
4	0.830487	0.169930	0.680737	

	opening_coeff[2]	opening_coeff[3]	...	mistakes_black[2018]	\
0	0.305196	0.272360	...	9.0	
1	0.320042	0.354479	...	5.0	
2	0.260256	0.326709	...	2.0	
3	0.322077	0.397858	...	2.0	
4	0.239092	0.391354	...	7.0	

	mistakes_black[2019]	mistakes_black[2020]	mistakes_black[2021]	\
0	2.0	15.0	6.0	
1	3.0	6.0	2.0	
2	5.0	7.0	4.0	
3	3.0	6.0	11.0	
4	3.0	16.0	4.0	

	mistakes_black[2022]	mistakes_black[2023]	mistakes_black[2024]	\
0	3.0	3.0	5.0	
1	7.0	4.0	3.0	
2	7.0	6.0	5.0	
3	2.0	10.0	1.0	
4	5.0	5.0	3.0	

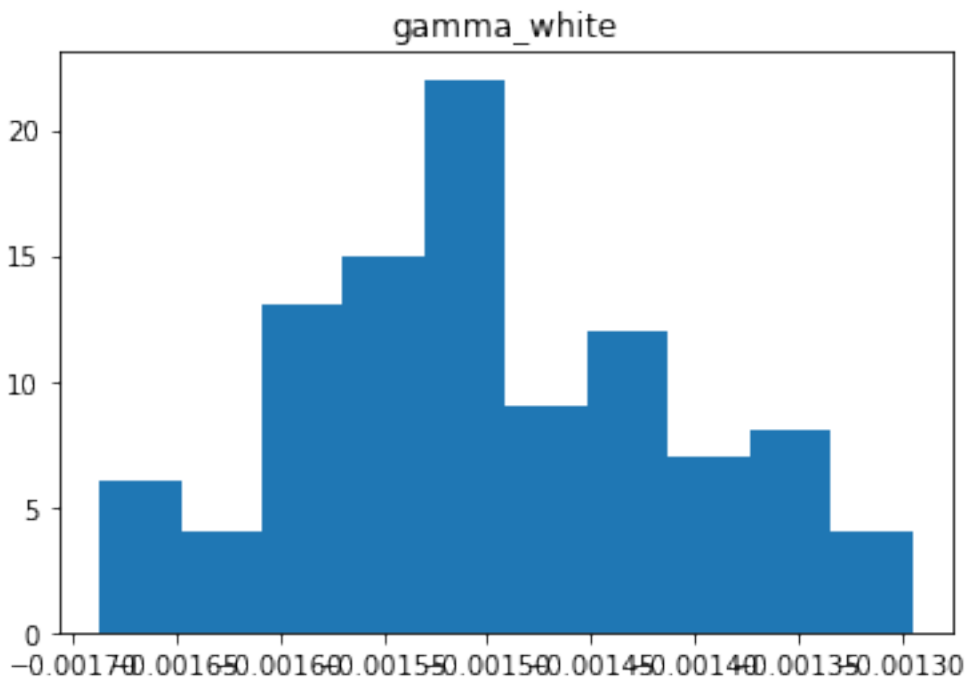
	mistakes_black[2025]	mistakes_black[2026]	mistakes_black[2027]
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1	2.0	4.0	4.0
2	4.0	6.0	2.0
3	7.0	6.0	3.0
4	3.0	3.0	3.0

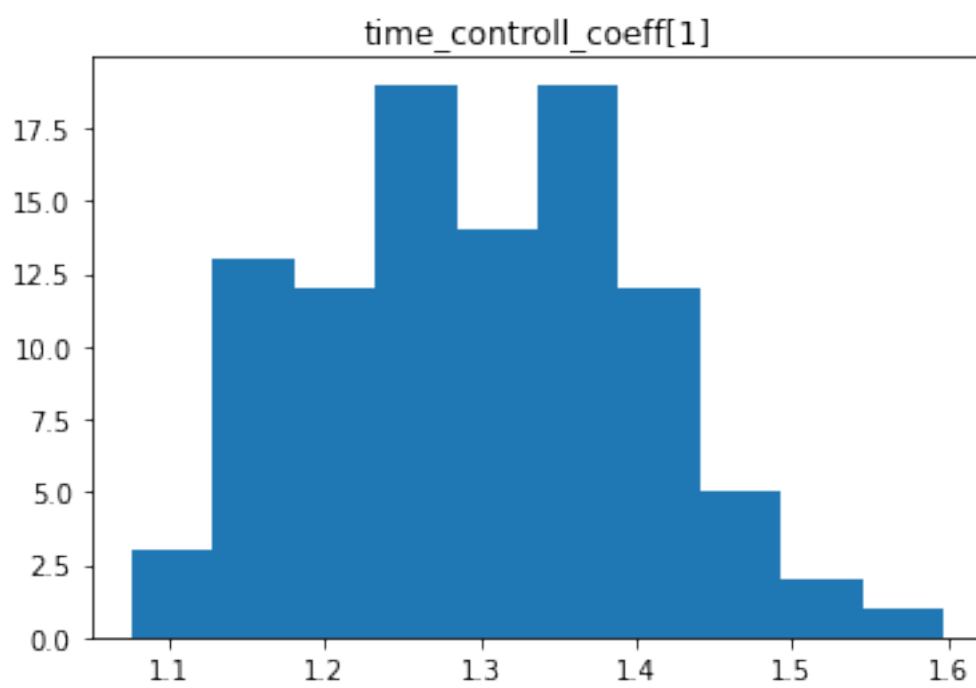
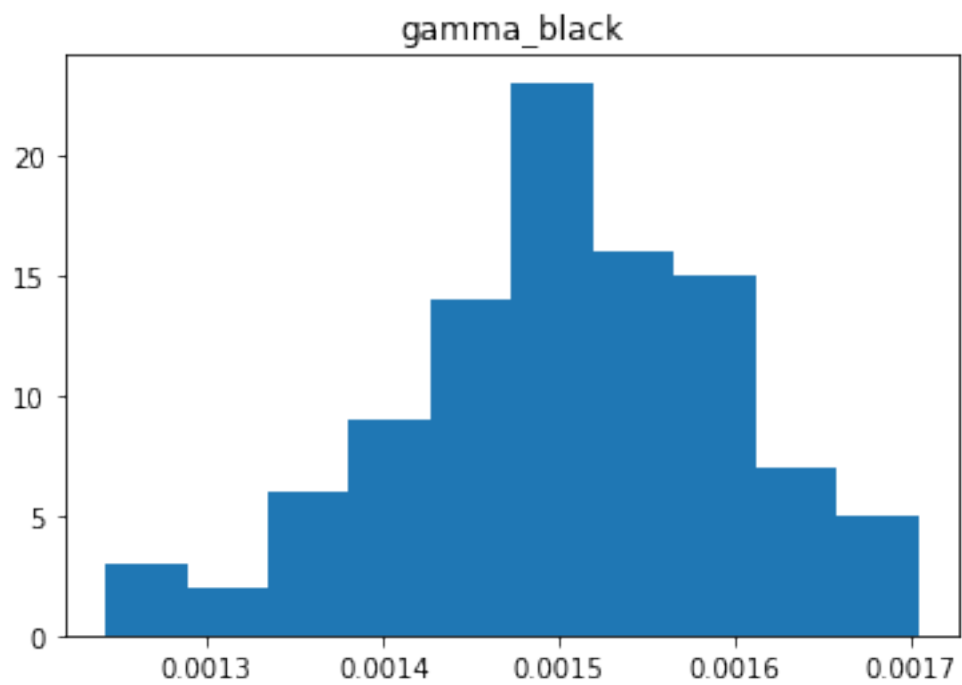
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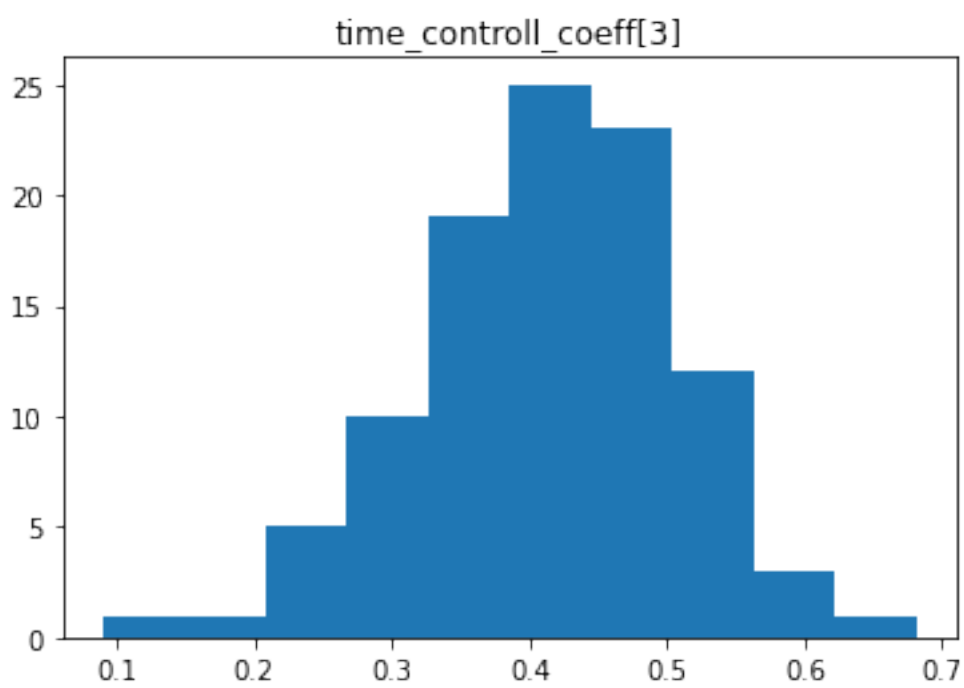
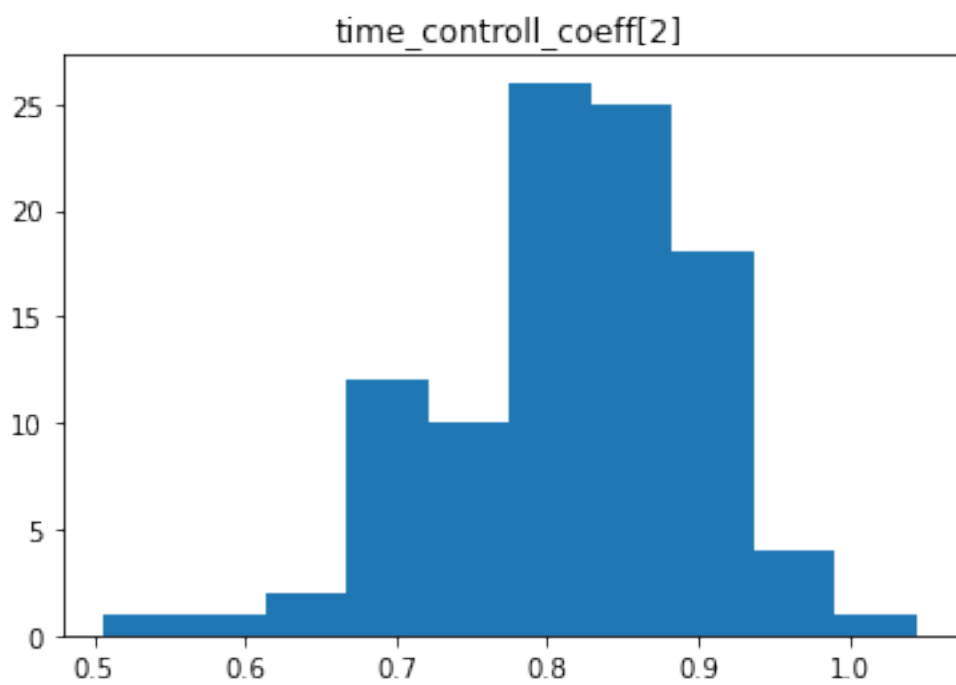
b) Prior predictive checks for parameters

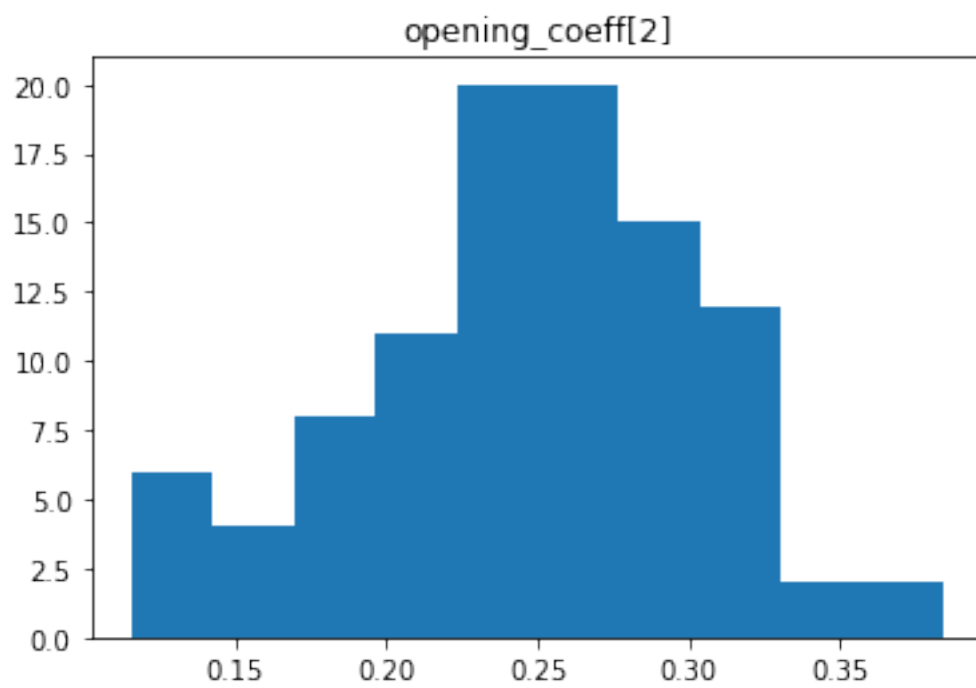
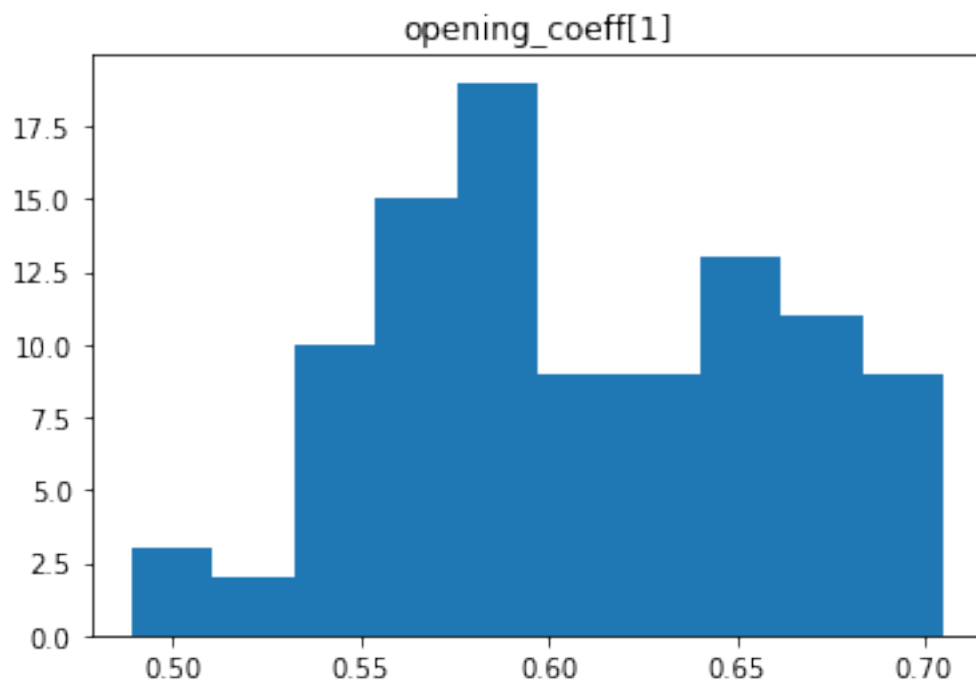
```
for parameter in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',
                  'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',
                  'time_controll_coeff[3]', 'opening_coeff[1]', 'opening_coeff[2]',
                  'opening_coeff[3]', 'opening_coeff[4]']:

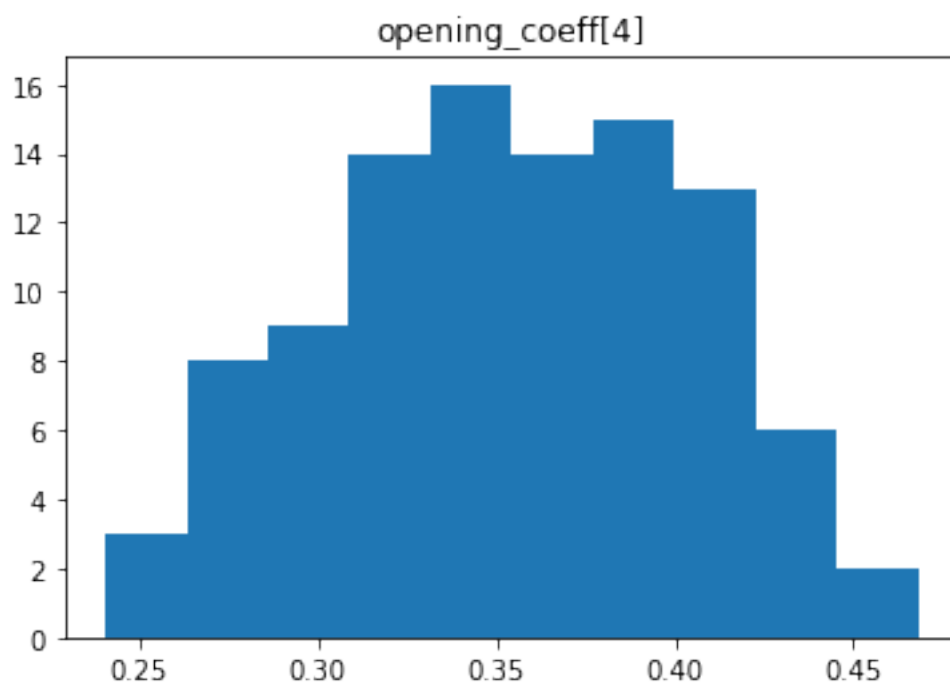
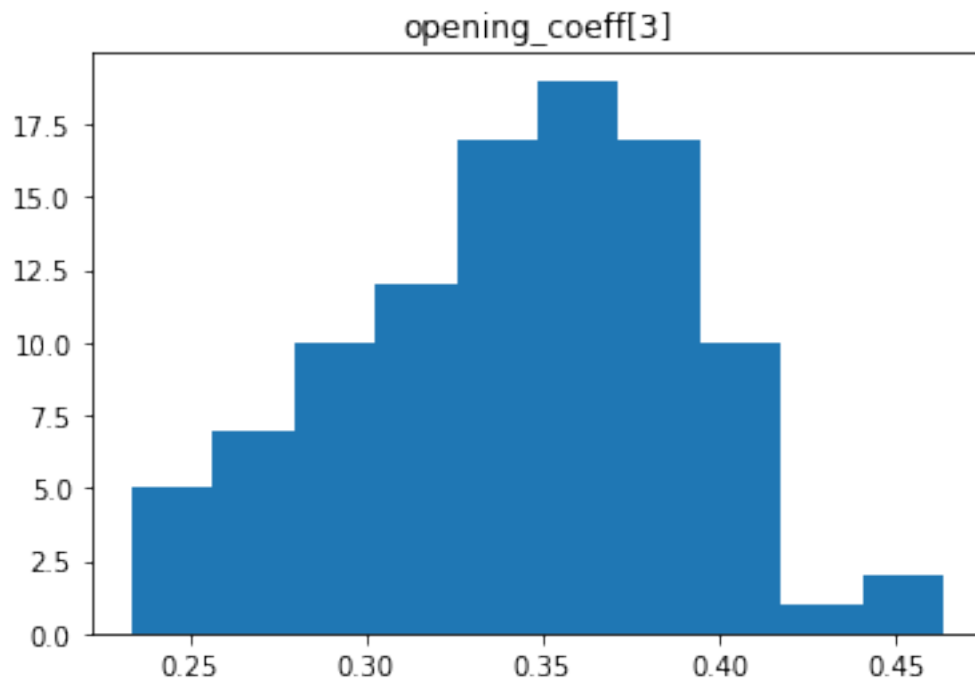
plt.hist(model_2_prior_df[parameter].loc[model_2_prior_df[parameter] != 0])
plt.title(parameter)
plt.show()
```











Parameters simulated from priors meet our expectations.

c) Prior predictive checks for measurements

```
mistakes_by_time_control = {  
    'Classic': {'Black': [], 'White': []},  
    'Rapid': {'Black': [], 'White': []},  
    'Blitz': {'Black': [], 'White': []}
```

```

}

mistakes_by_opening = {
    'Italian Game': {'Black': [], 'White': []},
    'Queen Pawn Game': {'Black': [], 'White': []},
    'Petroff Defense': {'Black': [], 'White': []},
    'Sicilian Defense': {'Black': [], 'White': []}
}

mistakes_by_tc_and_opening = {
    'Italian Game': deepcopy(mistakes_by_time_control),
    'Queen Pawn Game': deepcopy(mistakes_by_time_control),
    'Petroff Defense': deepcopy(mistakes_by_time_control),
    'Sicilian Defense': deepcopy(mistakes_by_time_control)
}

time_control_mapping = {
    3: 'Classic',
    2: 'Rapid',
    1: 'Blitz'
}

opening_mapping = {
    4: 'Italian Game',
    3: 'Queen Pawn Game',
    2: 'Petroff Defense',
    1: 'Sicilian Defense'
}

for i in range(N):
    tc = time_control_mapping[time_control_list[i]]
    op = opening_mapping[opening_list[i]]

    for color in ['Black', 'White']:
        mistakes_by_time_control[tc]
        [color].append(model_2_prior_df[f'mistakes_{color.lower()}
        [{i+1}]'].values[19])
        mistakes_by_opening[op]
        [color].append(model_2_prior_df[f'mistakes_{color.lower()}
        [{i+1}]'].values[19])
        mistakes_by_tc_and_opening[op][tc]
        [color].append(model_2_prior_df[f'mistakes_{color.lower()}
        [{i+1}]'].values[19])

for tc in mistakes_by_time_control.keys():
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
    fig.suptitle(tc)
    for c_i, color in enumerate(['White', 'Black']):
        axs[c_i].hist(mistakes_by_time_control[tc][color])
        axs[c_i].set_title(f'Mistakes {color}')

```

```

plt.show()

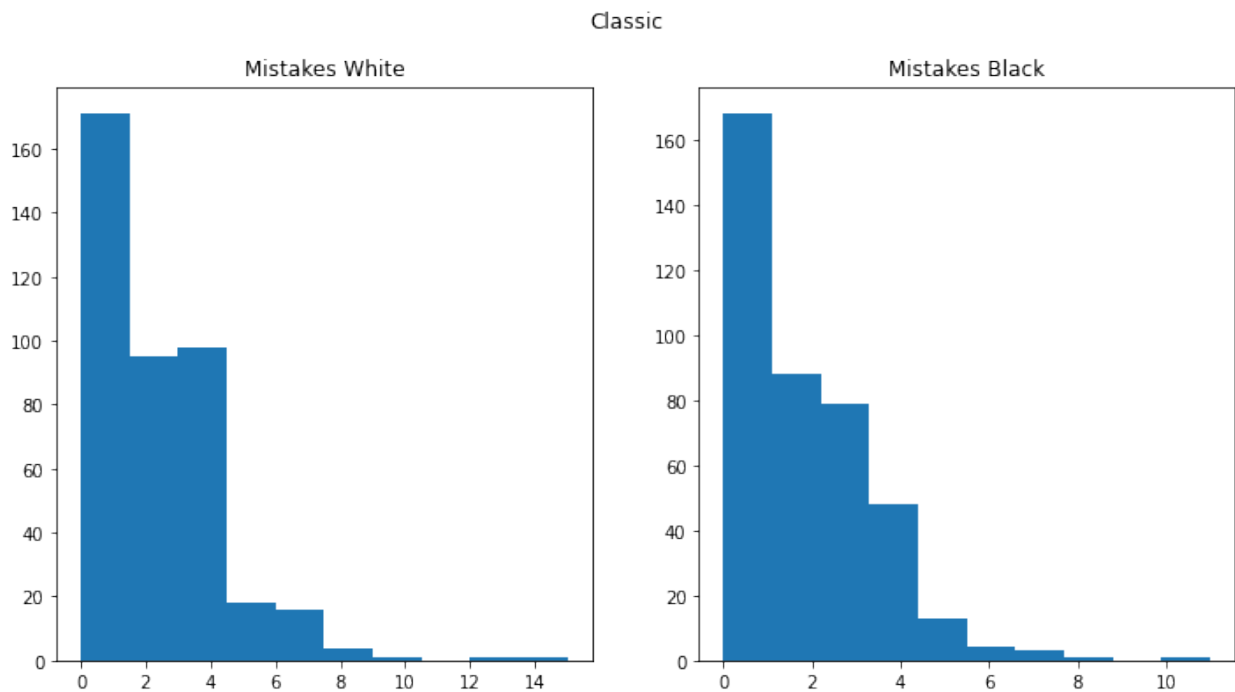
for op in mistakes_by_opening.keys():
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
    fig.suptitle(op)
    for c_i, color in enumerate(['White', 'Black']):
        axs[c_i].hist(mistakes_by_opening[op][color])
        axs[c_i].set_title(f'Mistakes {color}')

plt.show()

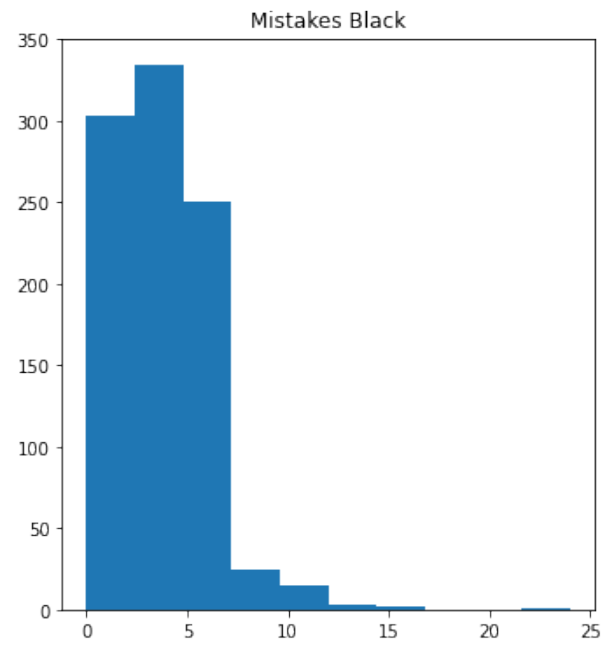
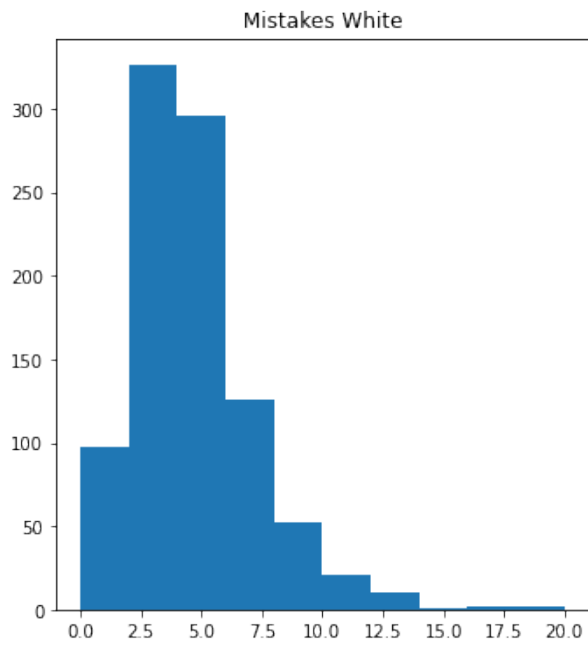
for op in mistakes_by_opening.keys():
    for tc in mistakes_by_time_control.keys():
        fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
        fig.suptitle(f'{op} - {tc}')
        for c_i, color in enumerate(['White', 'Black']):
            axs[c_i].hist(mistakes_by_tc_and_opening[op][tc][color])
            axs[c_i].set_title(f'Mistakes {color}')

plt.show()

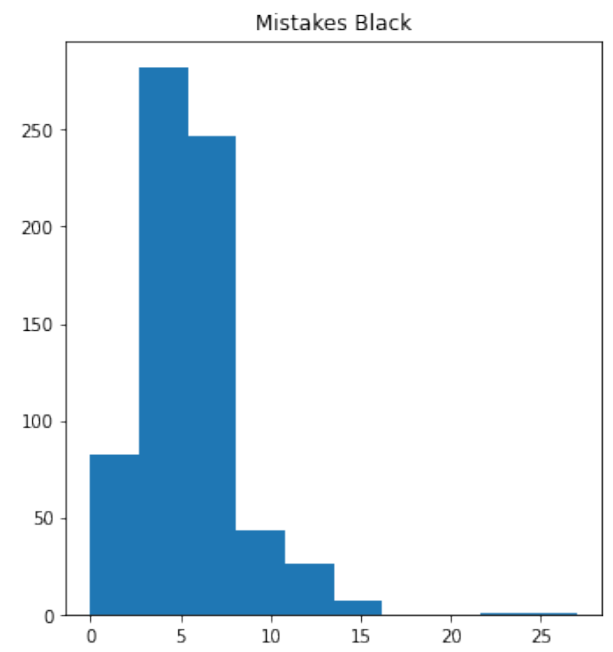
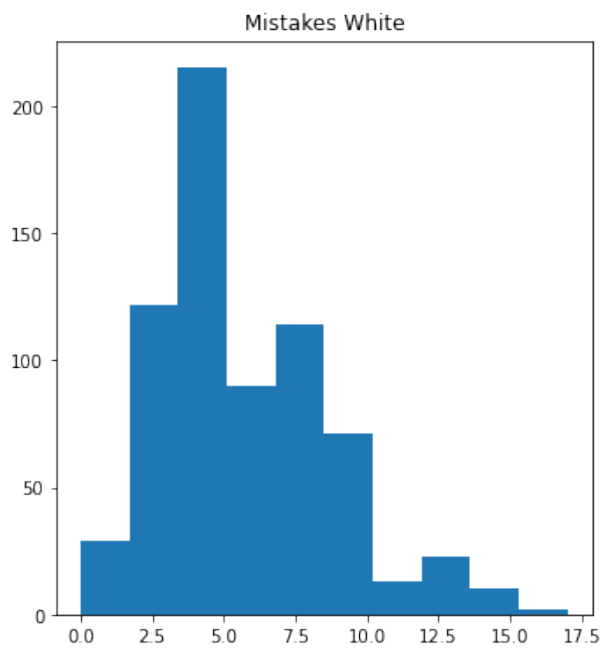
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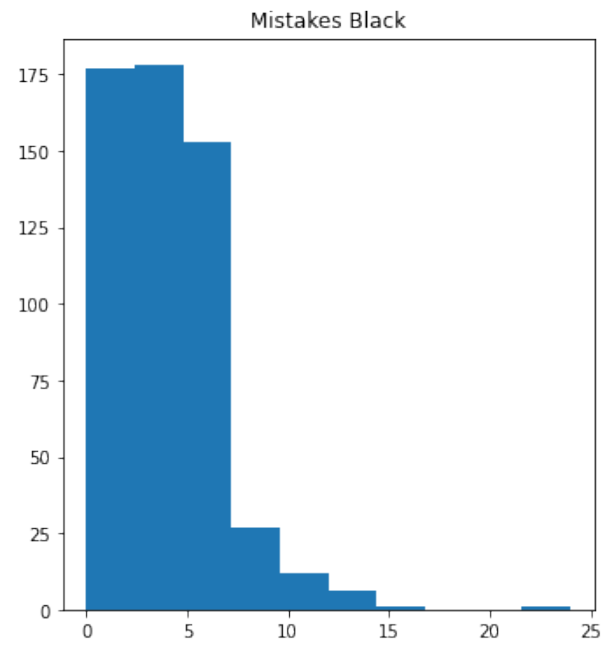
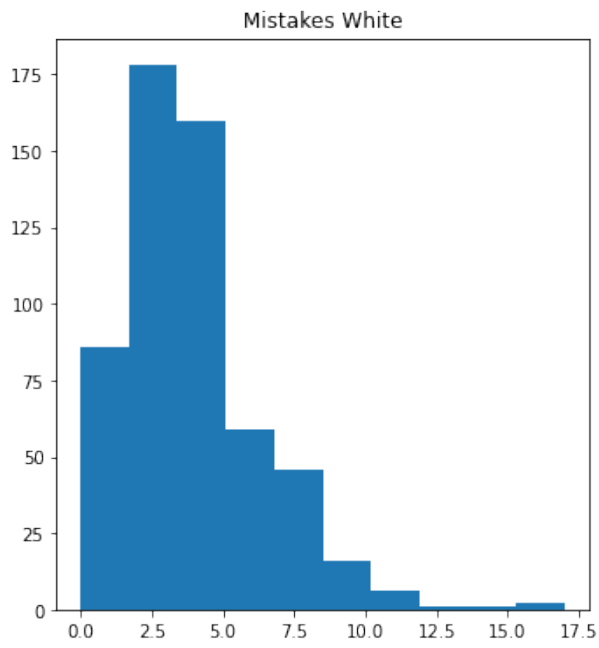
Rapid



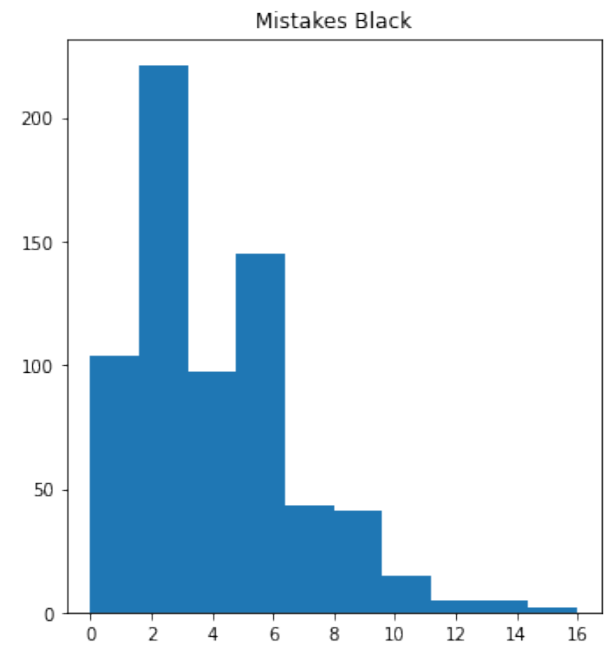
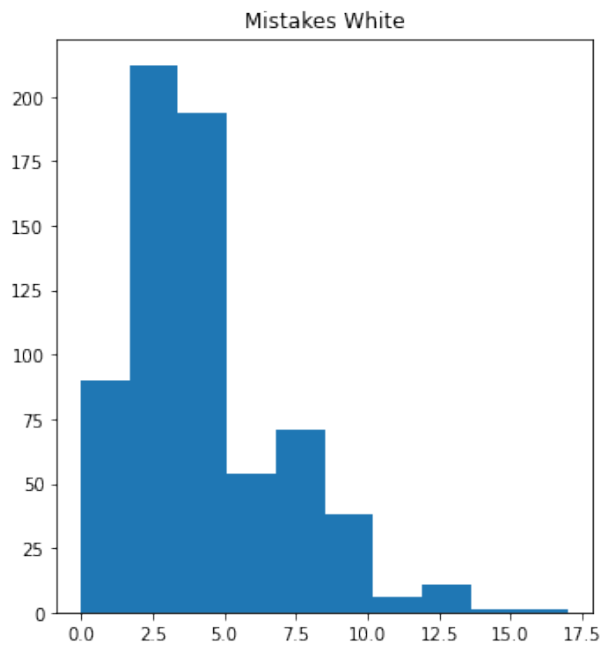
Blitz



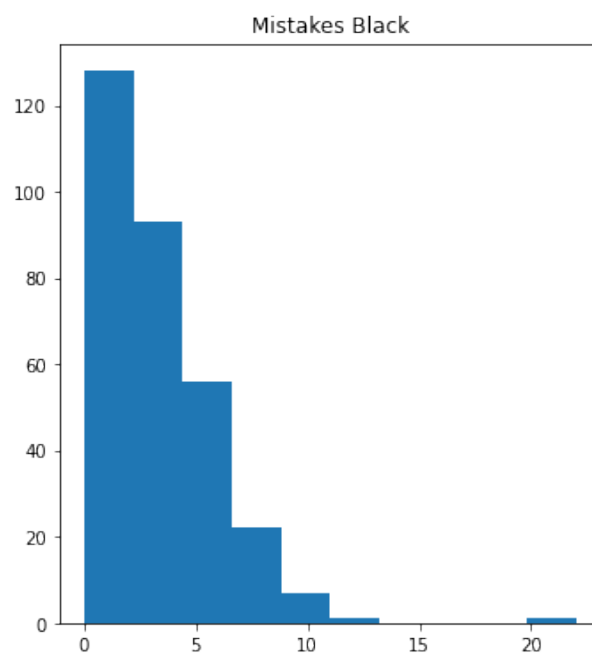
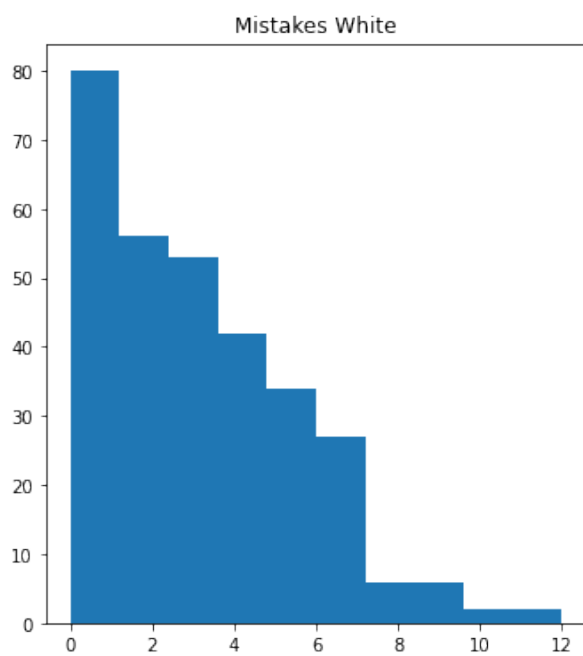
Italian Game



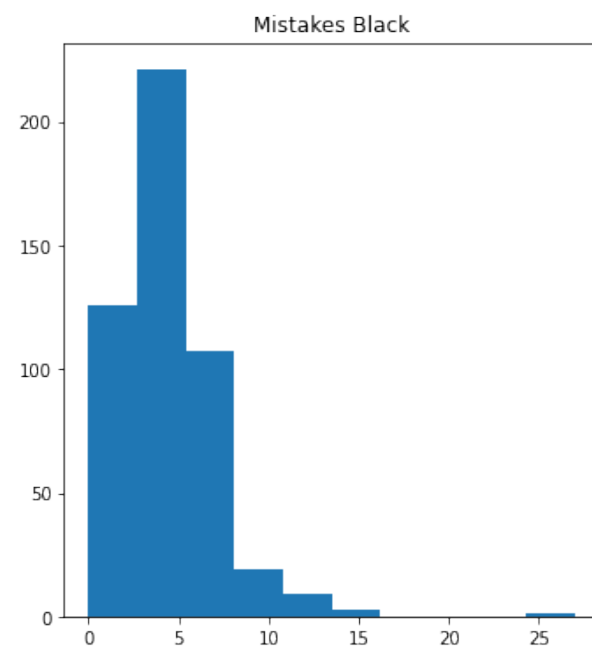
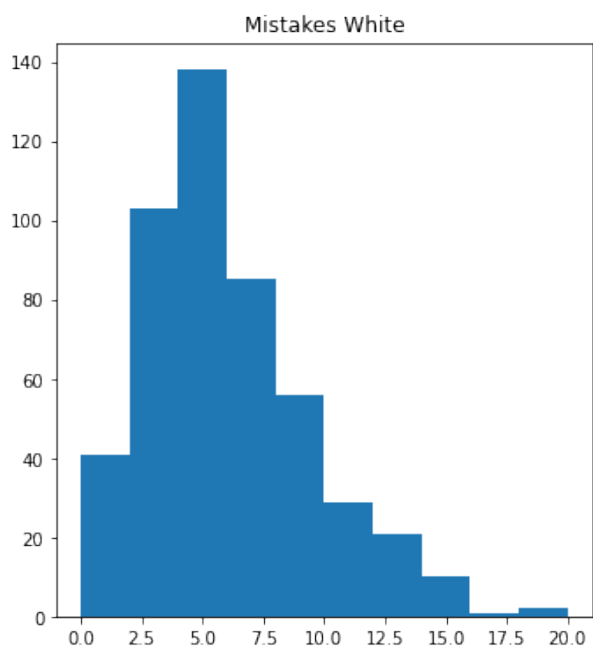
Queen Pawn Game



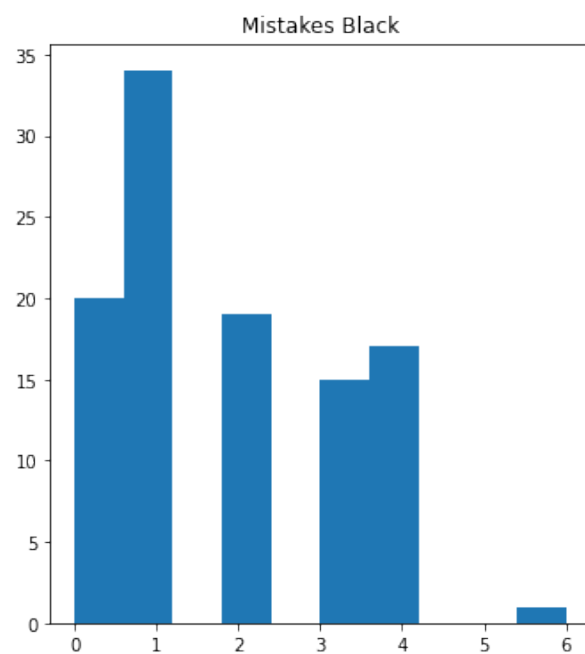
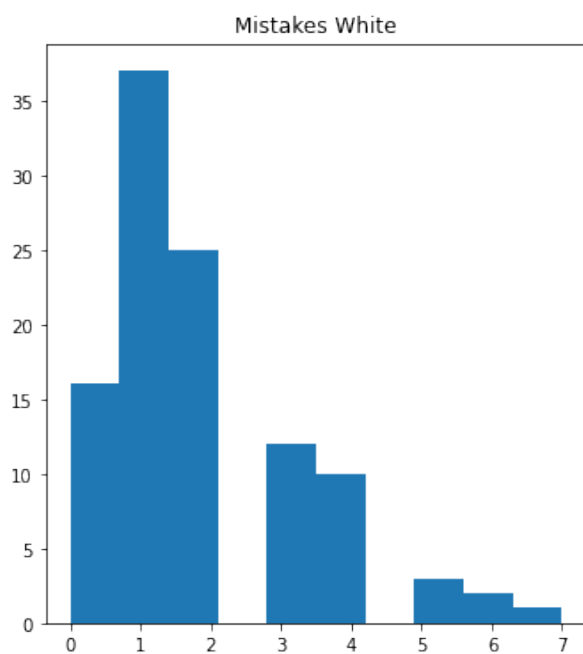
Petroff Defense



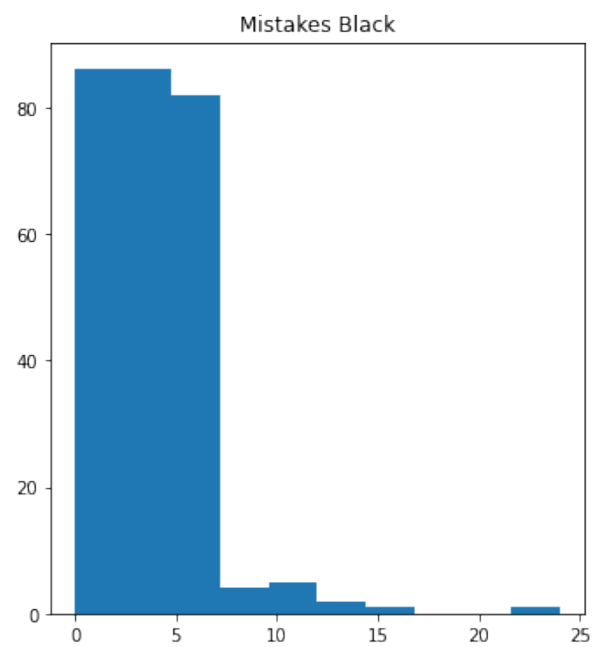
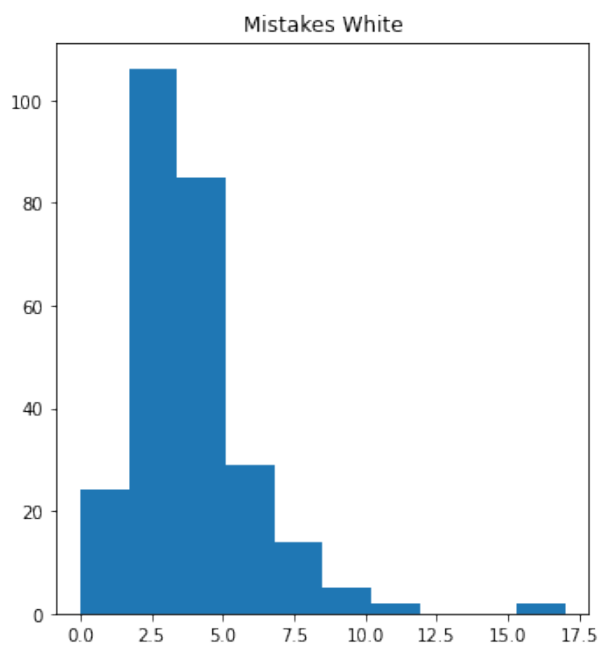
Sicilian Defense



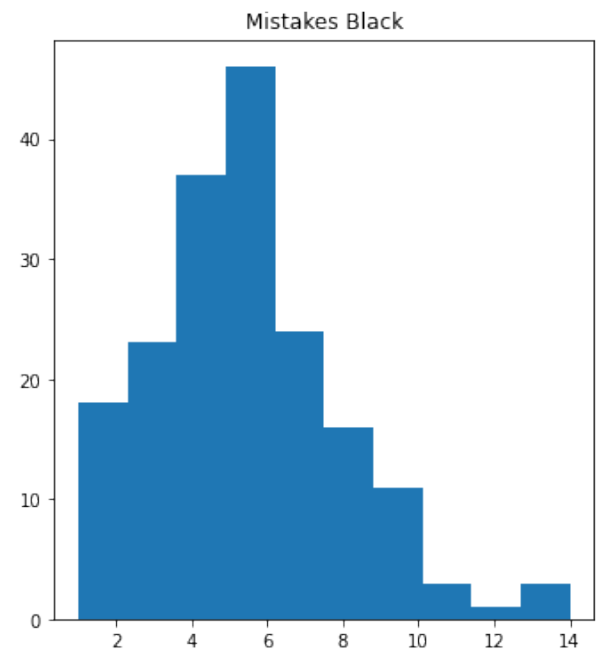
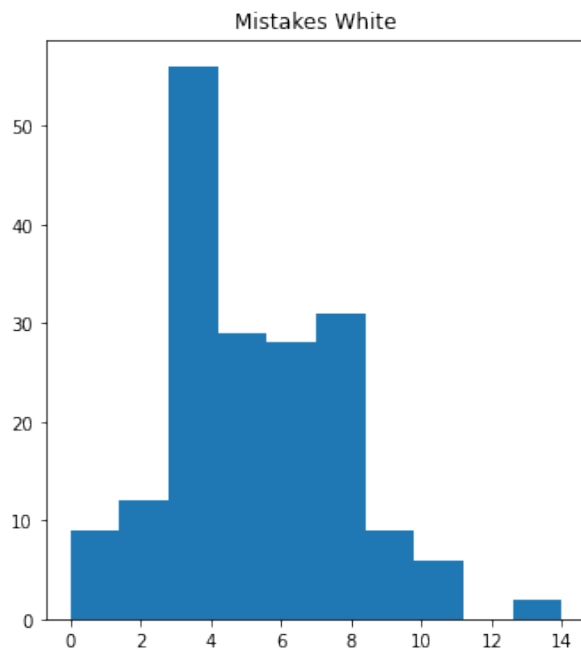
Italian Game - Classic



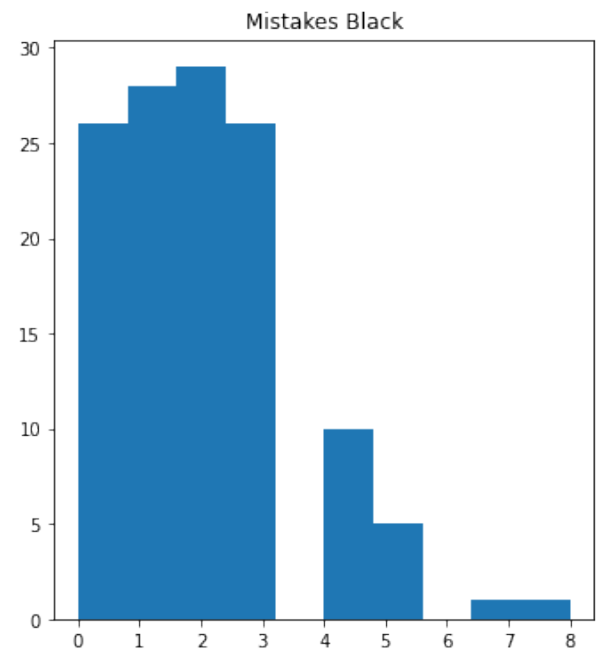
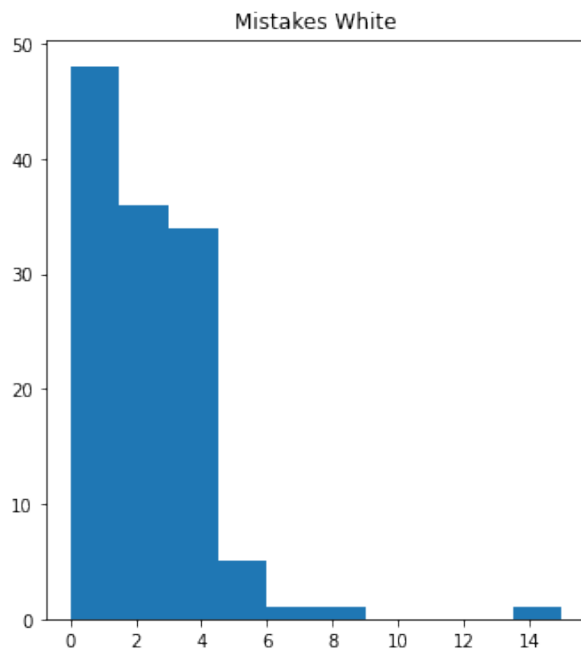
Italian Game - Rapid



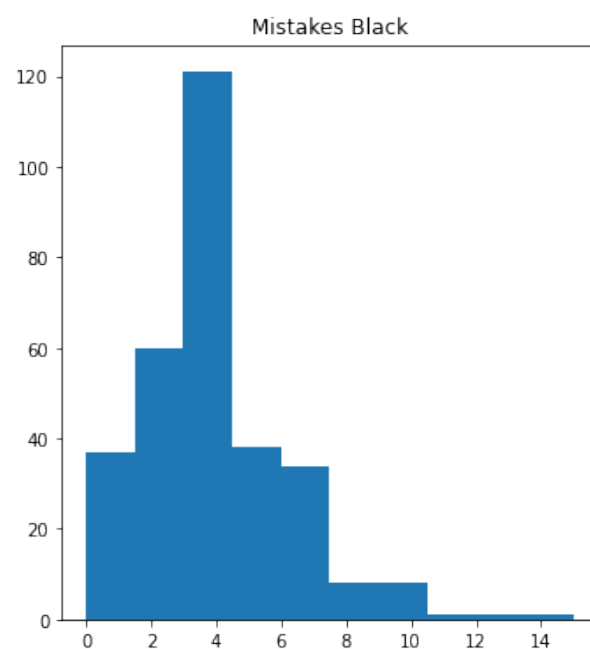
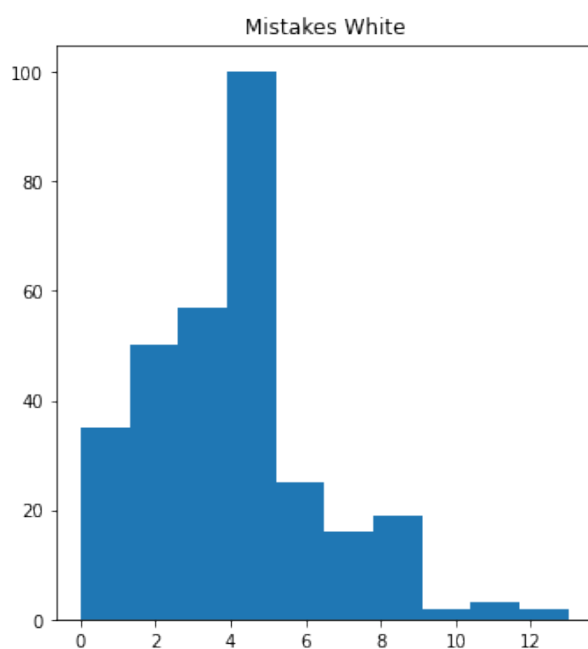
Italian Game - Blitz



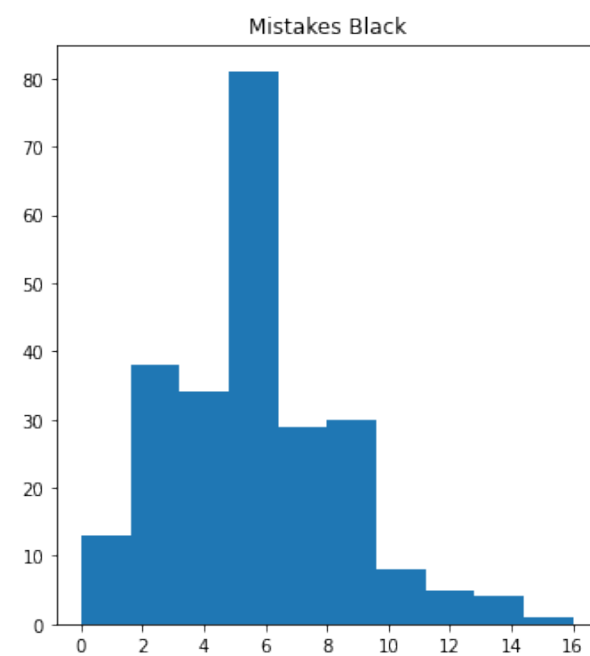
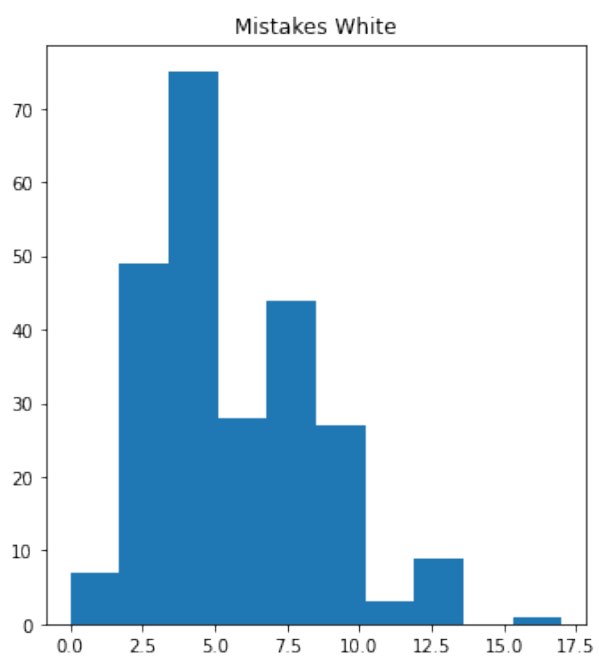
Queen Pawn Game - Classic



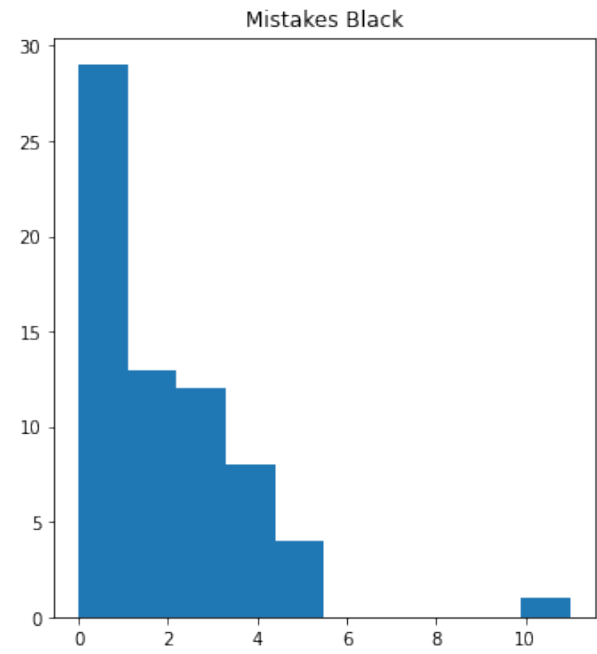
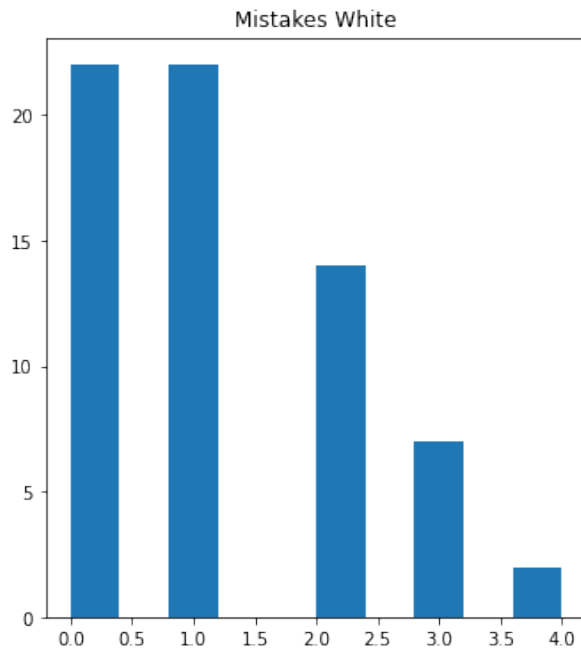
Queen Pawn Game - Rapid



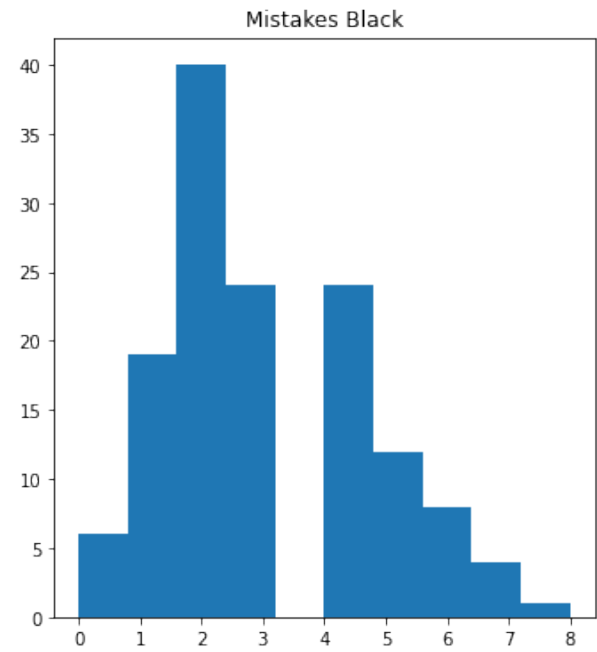
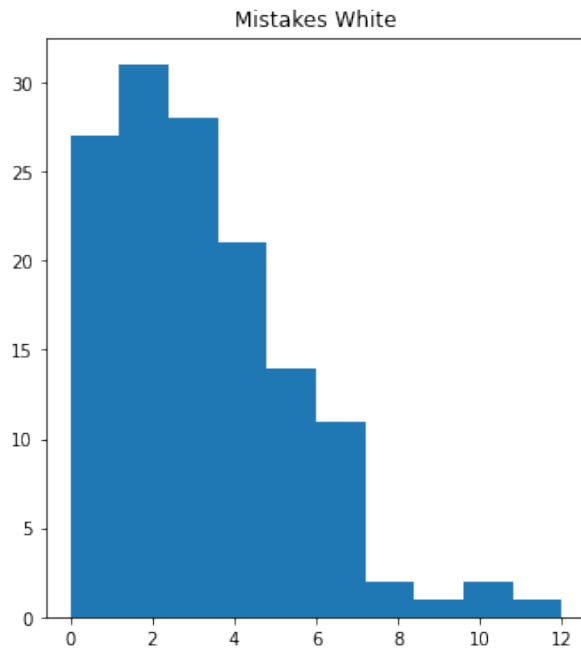
Queen Pawn Game - Blitz



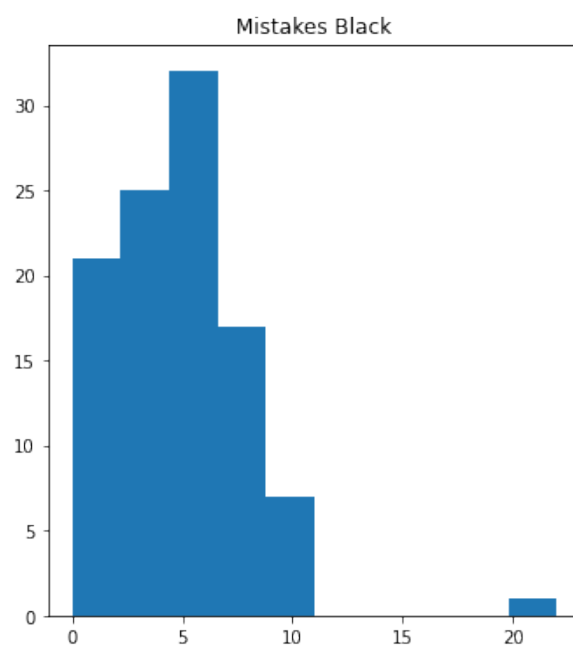
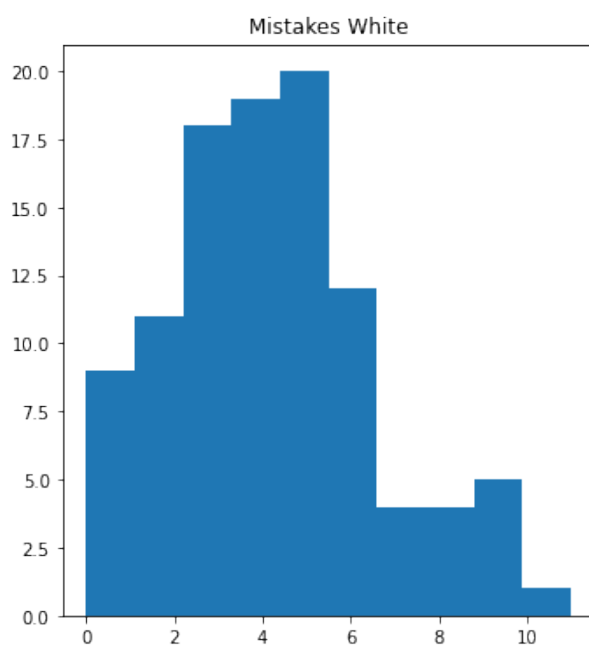
Petroff Defense - Classic



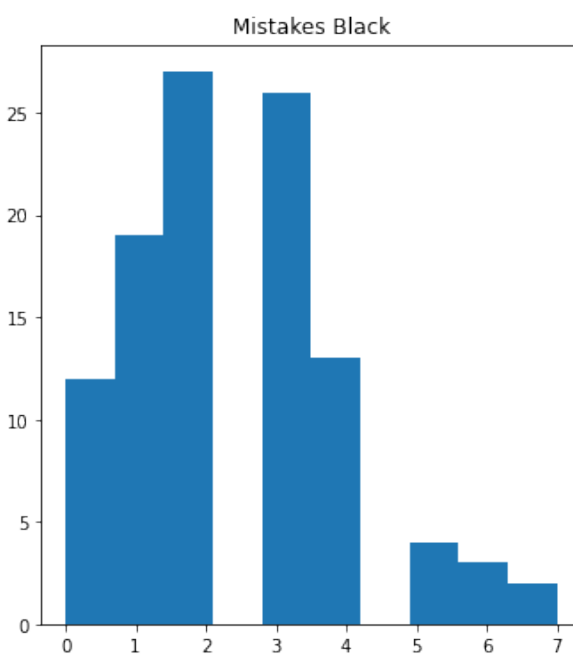
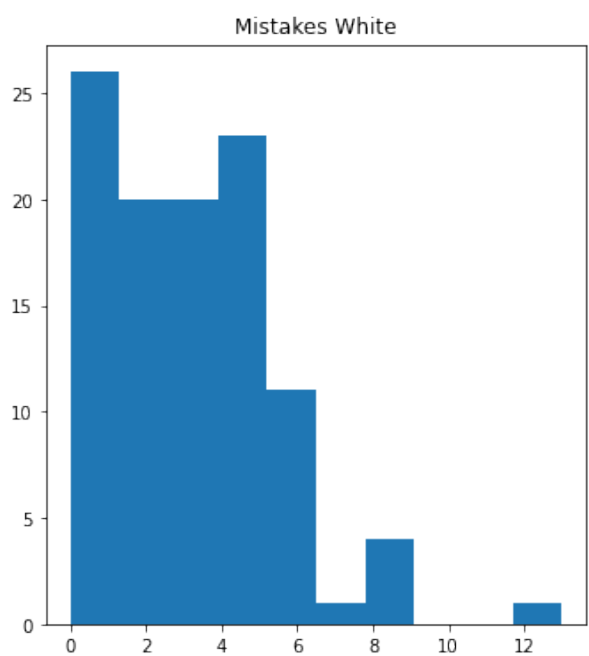
Petroff Defense - Rapid



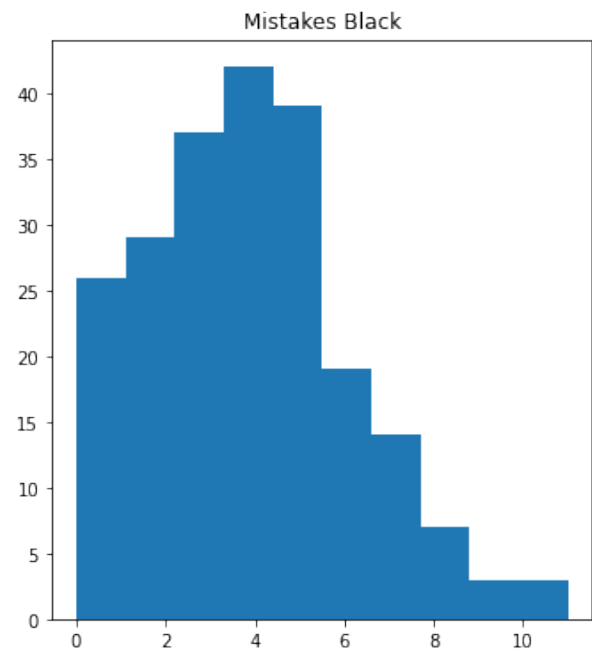
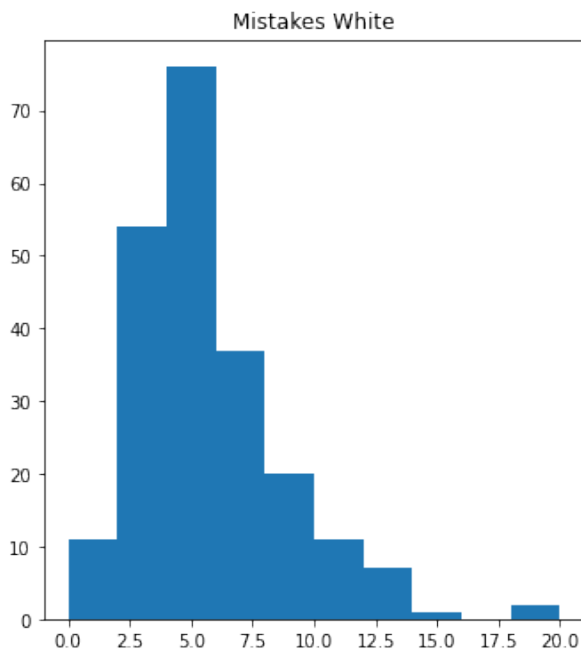
Petroff Defense - Blitz



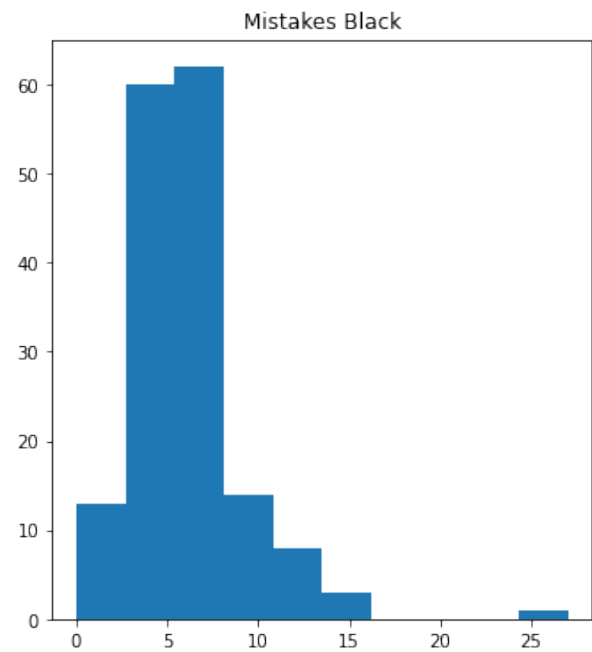
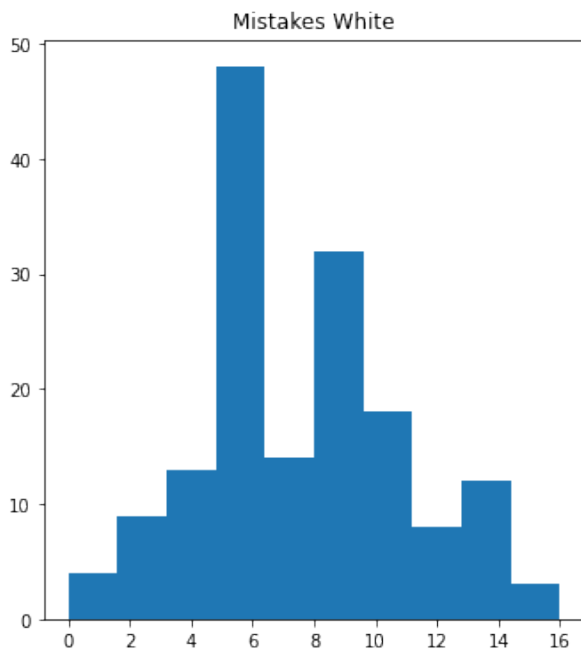
Sicilian Defense - Classic



Sicilian Defense - Rapid



Sicilian Defense - Blitz



Measurements simulated from priors meet our expectations, because:

- as the time available for moves decreases, the number of errors increases,
- openings considered as more aggressive lead to higher number of mistakes.

d) Prior parameters selection.

As prior parameters were selected those values for which the model results were most similar to the actual data

```
best_matching = -1
best_matching_ind = -1

for row_index, row in model_2_prior_df.iterrows():
    tmp_mistakes_white = []
    tmp_mistakes_black = []

    for i in range(N):
        tmp_mistakes_white.append(row[f'mistakes_white[{i+1}]'])
        tmp_mistakes_black.append(row[f'mistakes_black[{i+1}]'])

    number_of_matched_white = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_white, mistakes_white_list) if x == y)
    number_of_matched_black = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_black, mistakes_black_list) if x == y)
    acceptance_percent = ((number_of_matched_white +
number_of_matched_black) / (len(mistakes_white_list) +
len(mistakes_black_list))) * 100

    if acceptance_percent > best_matching:
        best_matching = acceptance_percent
        best_matching_ind = row_index

chosen_row_in_prior_model_2 = best_matching_ind
prior_parameters_model_2 = {}

print('Prior parameters for Model 2:')
for col_name in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',
'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',
'time_controll_coeff[3]',
                'opening_coeff[1]', 'opening_coeff[2]',
'opening_coeff[3]', 'opening_coeff[4]']:
    prior_parameters_model_2[col_name] =
model_2_prior_df.loc[chosen_row_in_prior_model_2, col_name]
    print(f"\t{col_name} =
{model_2_prior_df.loc[chosen_row_in_prior_model_2, col_name]}")

Prior parameters for Model 2:
gamma_white = -0.00141787
gamma_black = 0.00154708
time_controll_coeff[1] = 1.28198
time_controll_coeff[2] = 0.840261
time_controll_coeff[3] = 0.269627
opening_coeff[1] = 0.675352
opening_coeff[2] = 0.305338
```

```
opening_coeff[3] = 0.389296
opening_coeff[4] = 0.288916
```

5. Posterior analysis (Model 1)

Parameters chosen in prior

```
prior_parameters_model_1
{'gamma_white': -0.00144638,
 'gamma_black': 0.00137461,
 'time_control_coeff[1]': 1.23487,
 'time_control_coeff[2]': 0.836987,
 'time_control_coeff[3]': 0.295052}
```

a) Model training and sampling

```
mistakes_white_model = deepcopy(mistakes_white_list)
mistakes_black_model = deepcopy(mistakes_black_list)

model_1_posterior =
CmdStanModel(stan_file='stan_files/model_1_fit.stan')

model_1_fit = model_1_posterior.sample(
    data={
        'rating_difference': rating_difference_list,
        'N': len(time_control_list),
        'time_control': time_control_list,
        'mistakes_white_model': mistakes_white_model,
        'mistakes_black_model': mistakes_black_model
    }
)

INFO:cmdstanpy:compiling stan file
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.stan to exe file
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit
INFO:cmdstanpy:compiled model executable:
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit
WARNING:cmdstanpy:Stan compiler has produced 9 warnings:
WARNING:cmdstanpy:
--- Translating Stan model to C++ code ---
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/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.stan
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    2.32.0. Use // to begin line comments; this can be done
    automatically
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--- Compiling, linking C++ code ---

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g++ -std=c++1y -pthread -D_REENTRANT -Wno-sign-compare -Wno-ignored-  
attributes -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb_2020.3/include -O3 -I  
src -I stan/src -I lib/rapidjson_1.1.0/ -I lib/CLI11-1.9.1/ -I  
stan/lib/stan_math/ -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/eigen_3.3.9 -I  
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/boost_1.75.0 -I  
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/include -I  
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/src/sundials -  
DBOOST_DISABLE_ASSERTS -c -Wno-ignored-attributes -x c++ -o  
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.o  
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.hpp
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stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/include -I  
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/src/sundials -  
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-Wl,-rpath,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"  
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.o src/cmdstan/main.o -Wl,-  
L,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"  
-Wl,-rpath,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"
```

```

stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_nvecserial.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_cvodes.a
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stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_kinsol.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb/libtbb.so.2 -o
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit
rm -f /home/projekt/stan_files/model_1_fit.o

INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan start processing
chain 1 | | 00:00 Status
| | 00:00 Status
chain 1 | | 00:00 Iteration: 500 / 2000 [ 25%] (Warmup)
| | 00:00 Iteration: 1001 / 2000 [ 50%] (Sampling)
| | 00:05 Iteration: 1300 / 2000 [ 65%] (Sampling)
chain 1 | | 00:06 Iteration: 1500 / 2000 [ 75%] (Sampling)
| | 00:07 Iteration: 1600 / 2000 [ 80%] (Sampling)
| | 00:07 Iteration: 1700 / 2000 [ 85%] (Sampling)
chain 1 | | 00:08 Iteration: 1800 / 2000 [ 90%] (Sampling)
| | 00:08 Iteration: 1900 / 2000 [ 95%] (Sampling)
chain 1 | | 00:09 Sampling completed
chain 2 | | 00:09 Sampling completed
chain 3 | | 00:09 Sampling completed
chain 4 | | 00:09 Sampling completed

INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan done processing.

```

There were no issues with the sampling.

b) Analysis of samples obtained from the predictive distribution.

Model summary:

```

summary = model_1_fit.summary()
summary.head(6)

```

	Mean	MCSE	StdDev	
5% \				
name				
lp__	4600.0000	4.700000e-02	1.800000	
4600.0000				
gamma_white	-0.0014	9.300000e-08	0.000006	-

0.0014				
gamma_black	0.0014	8.900000e-08	0.000006	
0.0014				
time_controll_coeff_blitz	1.1000	3.100000e-06	0.000220	
1.1000				
time_controll_coeff_rapid	0.7800	2.400000e-05	0.001700	
0.7700				
time_controll_coeff_classic	0.2100	7.600000e-05	0.005200	
0.2000				
	50%	95%	N_Eff	N_Eff/s
R_hat				
name				
lp__	4600.0000	4600.0000	1400.0	24.0
1.0				
gamma_white	-0.0014	-0.0014	4500.0	74.0
1.0				
gamma_black	0.0014	0.0014	4700.0	77.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_blitz	1.1000	1.1000	4900.0	81.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_rapid	0.7800	0.7800	4800.0	79.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_classic	0.2100	0.2200	4700.0	77.0
1.0				

Parameters values are similiar to those from priors but not the same.

```
model_1_fit_df = model_1_fit.draws_pd()
model_1_fit_df.head()
```

	lp__	accept_stat__	stepsize__	treedepth__	n_leapfrog__
divergent__					
0	4569.74	0.814108	0.458273	3.0	7.0
0.0					
1	4571.23	0.996769	0.458273	3.0	7.0
0.0					
2	4570.93	0.896218	0.458273	3.0	7.0
0.0					
3	4571.74	0.985942	0.458273	3.0	7.0
0.0					
4	4568.84	0.771899	0.458273	3.0	7.0
0.0					
	energy__	gamma_white	gamma_black	time_controll_coeff_blitz	...
\					
0	-4566.99	-0.001413	0.001402	1.13997	...
1	-4569.26	-0.001402	0.001405	1.13966	...

2	-4569.24	-0.001406	0.001405	1.13997	...
3	-4570.28	-0.001407	0.001405	1.13958	...
4	-4567.99	-0.001406	0.001407	1.13996	...

	mistakes_black_pred[2018]	mistakes_black_pred[2019]	\
0	3.0	2.0	
1	3.0	1.0	
2	3.0	1.0	
3	0.0	3.0	
4	2.0	1.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2020]	mistakes_black_pred[2021]	\
0	2.0	1.0	
1	1.0	6.0	
2	2.0	3.0	
3	2.0	2.0	
4	5.0	1.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2022]	mistakes_black_pred[2023]	\
0	1.0	3.0	
1	1.0	1.0	
2	4.0	1.0	
3	5.0	3.0	
4	3.0	5.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2024]	mistakes_black_pred[2025]	\
0	2.0	3.0	
1	2.0	4.0	
2	1.0	4.0	
3	3.0	2.0	
4	5.0	4.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2026]	mistakes_black_pred[2027]
0	4.0	3.0
1	4.0	1.0
2	3.0	2.0
3	1.0	4.0
4	3.0	2.0

[5 rows x 4071 columns]

Choosing sample with best matching to reality.

```
best_matching = -1
best_matching_ind = -1
```

```

for row_index, row in model_1_fit_df.iterrows():
    tmp_mistakes_white = []
    tmp_mistakes_black = []

    for i in range(N):
        tmp_mistakes_white.append(row[f'mistakes_white_pred[{i+1}]'])
        tmp_mistakes_black.append(row[f'mistakes_black_pred[{i+1}]'])

    number_of_matched_white = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_white, mistakes_white_list) if x == y)
    number_of_matched_black = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_black, mistakes_black_list) if x == y)
    acceptance_percent = ((number_of_matched_white +
number_of_matched_black) / (len(mistakes_white_list) +
len(mistakes_black_list))) * 100

    if acceptance_percent > best_matching:
        best_matching = acceptance_percent
        best_matching_ind = row_index

chosen_row_in_posterior_model_1 = best_matching_ind

```

Creating pandas DataFrame with chosen posterior predictive samples

```

mistakes_white_pred = []
mistakes_black_pred = []

for i in range(N):
    mistakes_white_pred.append(model_1_fit_df[f'mistakes_white_pred[{i+1}]']
.values[chosen_row_in_posterior_model_1])
    mistakes_black_pred.append(model_1_fit_df[f'mistakes_black_pred[{i+1}]']
.values[chosen_row_in_posterior_model_1])

df_model_1_fit_transposed = pd.DataFrame({'mistakes_white_pred':
mistakes_white_pred, 'mistakes_black_pred': mistakes_black_pred})
df_model_1_fit_transposed

```

	mistakes_white_pred	mistakes_black_pred
0	2.0	1.0
1	4.0	6.0
2	3.0	2.0
3	2.0	0.0
4	3.0	0.0
...
2022	2.0	4.0
2023	2.0	2.0
2024	6.0	3.0
2025	3.0	0.0

2026

1.0

3.0

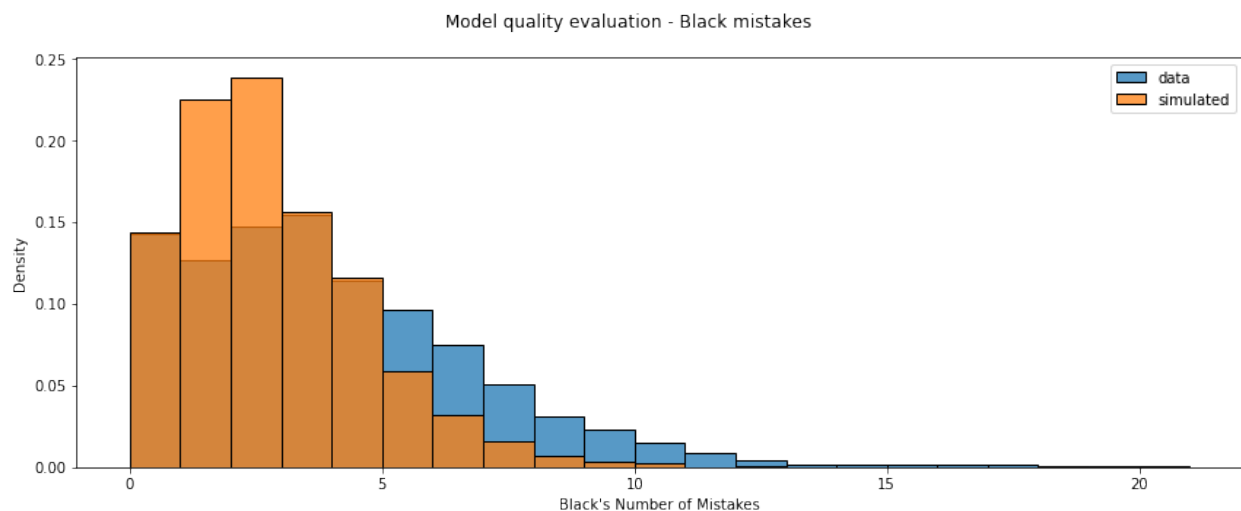
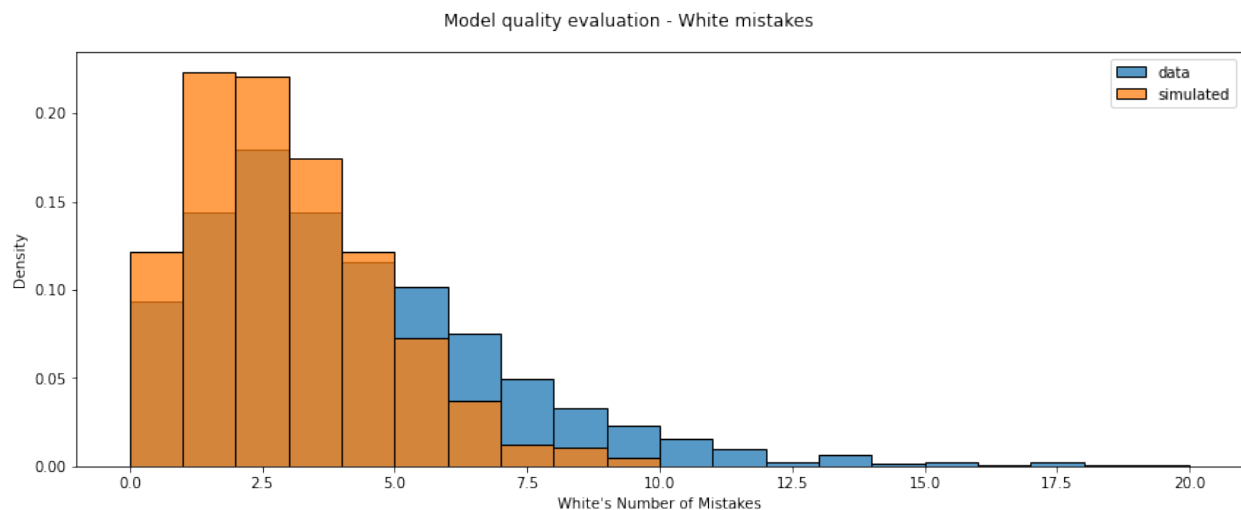
[2027 rows x 2 columns]

c) Analysis of posterior predictive samples

```

for color in ['White', 'Black']:
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,5))
    fig.suptitle(f"Model quality evaluation - {color} mistakes")
    sns.histplot(data=df, x=f"{color}'s Number of Mistakes",
    binwidth=1, stat="density", ax=ax, label='data')
    sns.histplot(data=df_model_1_fit_transposed,
    x=f"mistakes_{color.lower()}_pred", binwidth=1, stat="density", ax=ax,
    label='simulated')
    plt.legend()
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.plot()
    plt.show()

```



Posterior predictive samples are more or less consistent with the data. This is the result of the first (simpler) model, so we expect these results to improve in the second (more complex) model. Nevertheless, the results returned by the model considering only time control and rating difference are very satisfactory. Below we calculated overlap of posterior predictive samples and data.

```
def calculate_hist_overlap(df_data, df_fit):
    for color in ['White', 'Black']:
        overlap_coefficient = 0
        hist_data = []
        hist_fit = []
        for n in range(int(max(df_data[f"{color}'s Number of
Mistakes"].max(), df_fit[f"mistakes_{color.lower()}_pred"].max()))):
            bar_data = np.count_nonzero(np.array(df_data[f"{color}'s
Number of Mistakes"]) == n)
            bar_fit =
np.count_nonzero(np.array(df_fit[f"mistakes_{color.lower()}_pred"]) ==
n)

            hist_data.append(bar_data)
            hist_fit.append(bar_fit)

        overlap_coefficient = np.minimum(hist_data, hist_fit).sum() /
np.maximum(hist_data, hist_fit).sum()

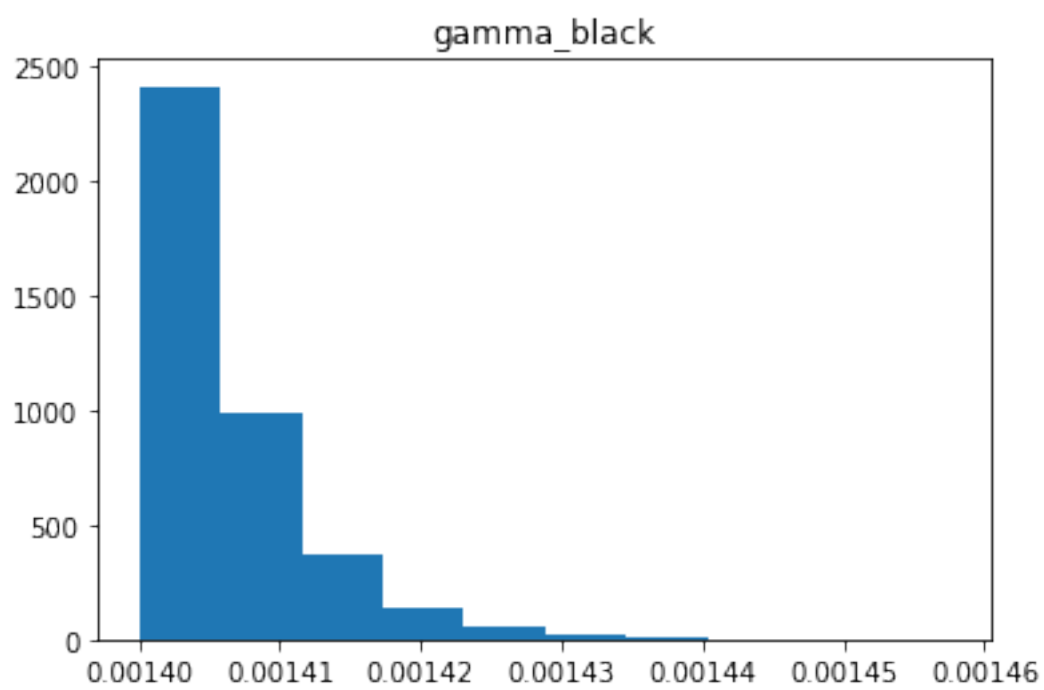
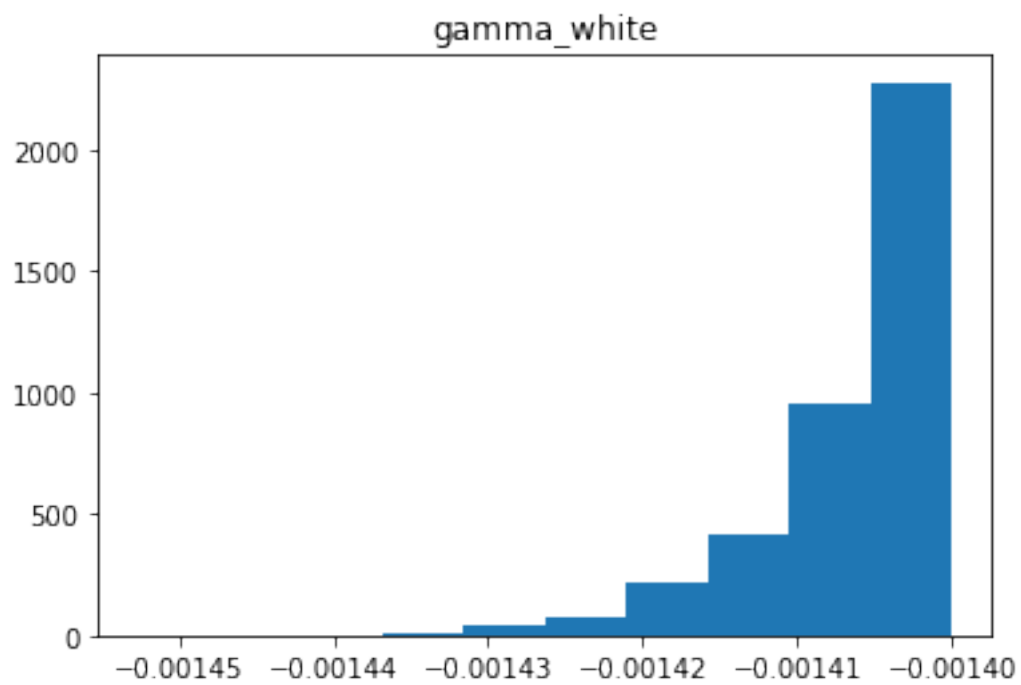
        print(f"Overlap of posterior predictive samples and data for
mistakes {color.lower()} : \t{np.round(100 * overlap_coefficient, 2)}
%")

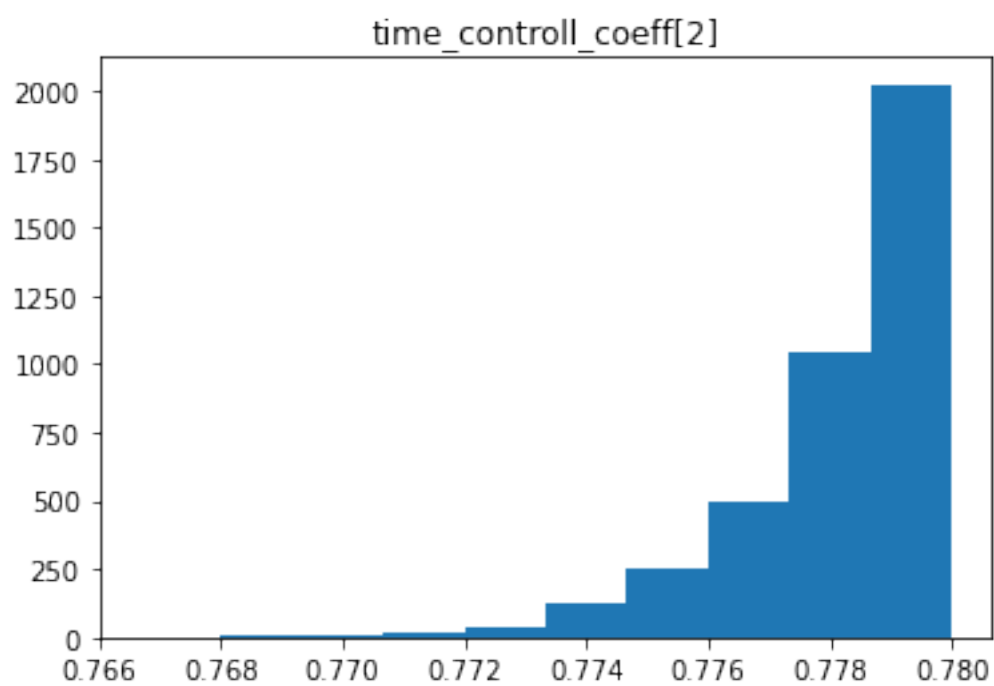
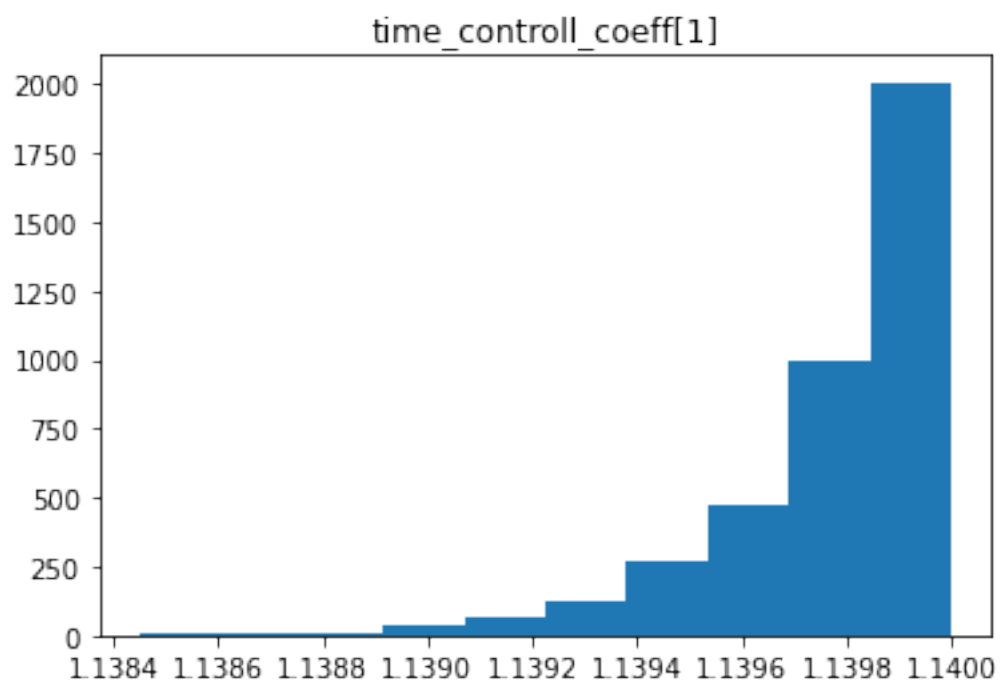
calculate_hist_overlap(df, df_model_1_fit_transposed)

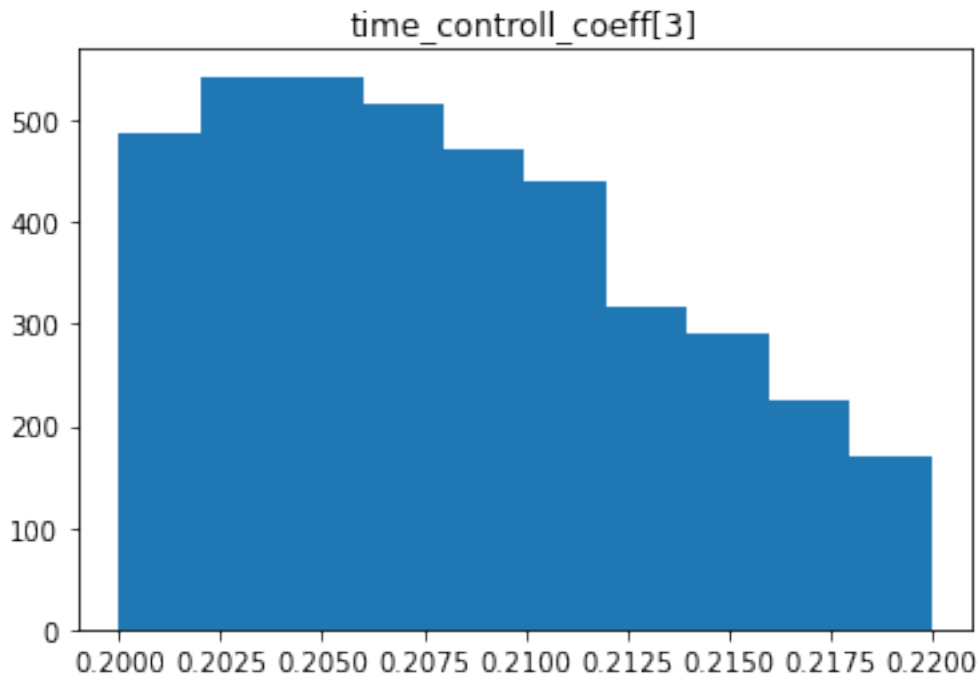
Overlap of posterior predictive samples and data for mistakes white :
68.66%
Overlap of posterior predictive samples and data for mistakes black :
67.48%
```

d) Analysis of parameter marginal distributions

```
for parameter in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',
'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',
'time_controll_coeff[3]']:
    plt.hist(model_1_fit_df[parameter])
    plt.title(parameter)
    plt.show()
```





Comment: The parameter values are concentrated and quite close to those obtained by prior analysis.

6. Posterior analysis (Model 2)

Parameters chosen in prior

```
prior_parameters_model_2
{'gamma_white': -0.00141787,
 'gamma_black': 0.00154708,
 'time_controll_coeff[1]': 1.28198,
 'time_controll_coeff[2]': 0.840261,
 'time_controll_coeff[3]': 0.269627,
 'opening_coeff[1]': 0.675352,
 'opening_coeff[2]': 0.305338,
 'opening_coeff[3]': 0.389296,
 'opening_coeff[4]': 0.288916}
```

a) Model training and sampling

```
mistakes_white_model = deepcopy(mistakes_white_list)
mistakes_black_model = deepcopy(mistakes_black_list)

model_2_posterior =
CmdStanModel(stan_file='stan_files/model_2_fit.stan')

model_2_fit = model_2_posterior.sample(
    data={
```

```

    'rating_difference': rating_difference_list,
    'N': len(time_control_list),
    'time_control': time_control_list,
    'mistakes_white_model': mistakes_white_model,
    'mistakes_black_model': mistakes_black_model,
    'opening': opening_list
  }
)

```

```

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Warning in '/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.stan', line 7, column
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  of arrays by placing brackets after a variable name is deprecated
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  will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
before the
  type. This can be changed automatically using the auto-format flag
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  stanc
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column 4: Declaration
  of arrays by placing brackets after a variable name is deprecated
and
  will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
before the
  type. This can be changed automatically using the auto-format flag
to
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Warning in '/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.stan', line 26,
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and
  will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
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  type. This can be changed automatically using the auto-format flag
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  will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
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  type. This can be changed automatically using the auto-format flag
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Warning in '/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.stan', line 66,
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will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
before the
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of arrays by placing brackets after a variable name is deprecated
and
will be removed in Stan 2.32.0. Instead use the array keyword
before the
type. This can be changed automatically using the auto-format flag
to
stanc

```
--- Compiling, linking C++ code ---
g++ -std=c++1y -pthread -D_REENTRANT -Wno-sign-compare -Wno-ignored-
attributes -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb_2020.3/include -O3 -I
src -I stan/src -I lib/rapidjson_1.1.0/ -I lib/CLI11-1.9.1/ -I
stan/lib/stan_math/ -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/eigen_3.3.9 -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/boost_1.75.0 -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/include -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/src/sundials -
DBOOST_DISABLE_ASSERTS -c -Wno-ignored-attributes -x c++ -o
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.o
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.hpp
g++ -std=c++1y -pthread -D_REENTRANT -Wno-sign-compare -Wno-ignored-
attributes -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb_2020.3/include -O3 -I
src -I stan/src -I lib/rapidjson_1.1.0/ -I lib/CLI11-1.9.1/ -I
stan/lib/stan_math/ -I stan/lib/stan_math/lib/eigen_3.3.9 -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/boost_1.75.0 -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/include -I
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/src/sundials -
DBOOST_DISABLE_ASSERTS
-Wl,-L,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"
-Wl,-rpath,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.o src/cmdstan/main.o -Wl,-
L,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"
-Wl,-rpath,"/opt/cmdstan-2.29.0/stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb"
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_nvecserial.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_cvodes.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_idas.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/sundials_6.0.0/lib/libsundials_kinsol.a
stan/lib/stan_math/lib/tbb/libtbb.so.2 -o
/home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit
rm -f /home/projekt/stan_files/model_2_fit.o
```

```

INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan start processing
chain 1 | | 00:00 Status
| | 00:00 Status
chain 1 | | 00:00 Iteration: 1 / 2000 [ 0%] (Warmup)
| | 00:00 Iteration: 300 / 2000 [ 15%] (Warmup)
| | 00:00 Iteration: 500 / 2000 [ 25%] (Warmup)
| | 00:01 Iteration: 1001 / 2000 [ 50%] (Sampling)
| | 00:03 Iteration: 1300 / 2000 [ 65%] (Sampling)
| | 00:04 Iteration: 1500 / 2000 [ 75%] (Sampling)
| | 00:05 Iteration: 1600 / 2000 [ 80%] (Sampling)
| | 00:06 Iteration: 1700 / 2000 [ 85%] (Sampling)
| | 00:06 Iteration: 1800 / 2000 [ 90%] (Sampling)
| | 00:07 Iteration: 1900 / 2000 [ 95%] (Sampling)
chain 1 | | 00:07 Sampling completed
chain 2 | | 00:07 Sampling completed
chain 3 | | 00:07 Sampling completed
chain 4 | | 00:07 Sampling completed

```

```

INFO:cmdstanpy:CmdStan done processing.

```

There were no issues with the sampling.

b) Analysis of samples obtained from the predictive distribution.

Model summary:

```

summary = model_2_fit.summary()
summary.head(10)

```

	Mean	MCSE	StdDev
5% \			
name			
lp__	5300.0000	7.400000e-02	2.500000
5300.0000			
gamma_white	-0.0013	5.100000e-08	0.000004
0.0013			
gamma_black	0.0013	7.000000e-08	0.000005
0.0013			

time_controll_coeff_blitz	1.3000	3.600000e-05	0.002600	
1.3000				
time_controll_coeff_rapid	0.4800	4.100000e-06	0.000310	
0.4800				
time_controll_coeff_classic	0.3500	6.200000e-06	0.000440	
0.3500				
opening_coeff_sicilian	0.5700	2.600000e-05	0.001900	
0.5700				
opening_coeff_petroff	0.3600	7.400000e-05	0.005500	
0.3500				
opening_coeff_queen_pawn	0.3400	2.000000e-05	0.001500	
0.3300				
opening_coeff_italian	0.3400	2.700000e-05	0.002000	
0.3300				
	50%	95%	N_Eff	N_Eff/s
R_hat				
name				
lp__	5300.0000	5300.0000	1100.0	23.0
1.0				
gamma_white	-0.0013	-0.0013	5600.0	110.0
1.0				
gamma_black	0.0013	0.0013	5200.0	110.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_blitz	1.3000	1.3000	5300.0	110.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_rapid	0.4800	0.4800	5700.0	120.0
1.0				
time_controll_coeff_classic	0.3500	0.3500	5100.0	100.0
1.0				
opening_coeff_sicilian	0.5700	0.5800	5800.0	120.0
1.0				
opening_coeff_petroff	0.3600	0.3700	5500.0	110.0
1.0				
opening_coeff_queen_pawn	0.3400	0.3400	5700.0	120.0
1.0				
opening_coeff_italian	0.3400	0.3400	5700.0	120.0
1.0				

Parameters values are similiar to those from priors but not the same.

```
model_2_fit_df = model_2_fit.draws_pd()
model_2_fit_df.head()
```

	lp__	accept_stat__	stepsize__	treedepth__	n_leapfrog__
divergent__	\				
0	5292.56	0.876941	0.455339	3.0	7.0
0.0					

1	5290.63	0.804896	0.455339	3.0	7.0
0.0					
2	5288.97	0.884348	0.455339	3.0	7.0
0.0					
3	5284.28	0.941027	0.455339	3.0	7.0
0.0					
4	5290.04	0.997787	0.455339	3.0	7.0
0.0					

	energy__	gamma_white	gamma_black	time_controll_coeff_blitz	...
\					
0	-5288.18	-0.001301	0.001302	1.26627	...
1	-5285.84	-0.001313	0.001311	1.26986	...
2	-5287.30	-0.001300	0.001301	1.26060	...
3	-5280.57	-0.001302	0.001300	1.26007	...
4	-5281.52	-0.001302	0.001300	1.26841	...

	mistakes_black_pred[2018]	mistakes_black_pred[2019]	\
0	1.0	1.0	
1	3.0	1.0	
2	2.0	0.0	
3	2.0	1.0	
4	4.0	2.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2020]	mistakes_black_pred[2021]	\
0	8.0	3.0	
1	7.0	2.0	
2	5.0	3.0	
3	7.0	4.0	
4	7.0	3.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2022]	mistakes_black_pred[2023]	\
0	1.0	5.0	
1	3.0	6.0	
2	8.0	8.0	
3	8.0	6.0	
4	3.0	6.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2024]	mistakes_black_pred[2025]	\
0	3.0	1.0	
1	0.0	4.0	
2	3.0	7.0	
3	2.0	8.0	
4	2.0	5.0	

	mistakes_black_pred[2026]	mistakes_black_pred[2027]
0	1.0	1.0
1	1.0	3.0
2	1.0	6.0
3	2.0	3.0
4	3.0	8.0

[5 rows x 4079 columns]

Choosing sample with best matching to reality.

```
best_matching = -1
best_matching_ind = -1

for row_index, row in model_2_fit_df.iterrows():
    tmp_mistakes_white = []
    tmp_mistakes_black = []

    for i in range(N):
        tmp_mistakes_white.append(row[f'mistakes_white_pred[{i+1}]'])
        tmp_mistakes_black.append(row[f'mistakes_black_pred[{i+1}]'])

    number_of_matched_white = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_white, mistakes_white_list) if x == y)
    number_of_matched_black = sum(1 for x, y in
zip(tmp_mistakes_black, mistakes_black_list) if x == y)
    acceptance_percent = ((number_of_matched_white +
number_of_matched_black) / (len(mistakes_white_list) +
len(mistakes_black_list))) * 100

    if acceptance_percent > best_matching:
        best_matching = acceptance_percent
        best_matching_ind = row_index

chosen_row_in_posterior_model_2 = best_matching_ind
```

Creating pandas DataFrame with chosen posterior predictive samples

```
mistakes_white_pred = []
mistakes_black_pred = []

for i in range(N):
    mistakes_white_pred.append(model_2_fit_df[f'mistakes_white_pred[{i+1}]']
.values[chosen_row_in_posterior_model_2])

    mistakes_black_pred.append(model_2_fit_df[f'mistakes_black_pred[{i+1}]']
.values[chosen_row_in_posterior_model_2])

df_model_2_fit_transposed = pd.DataFrame({'mistakes_white_pred':
```

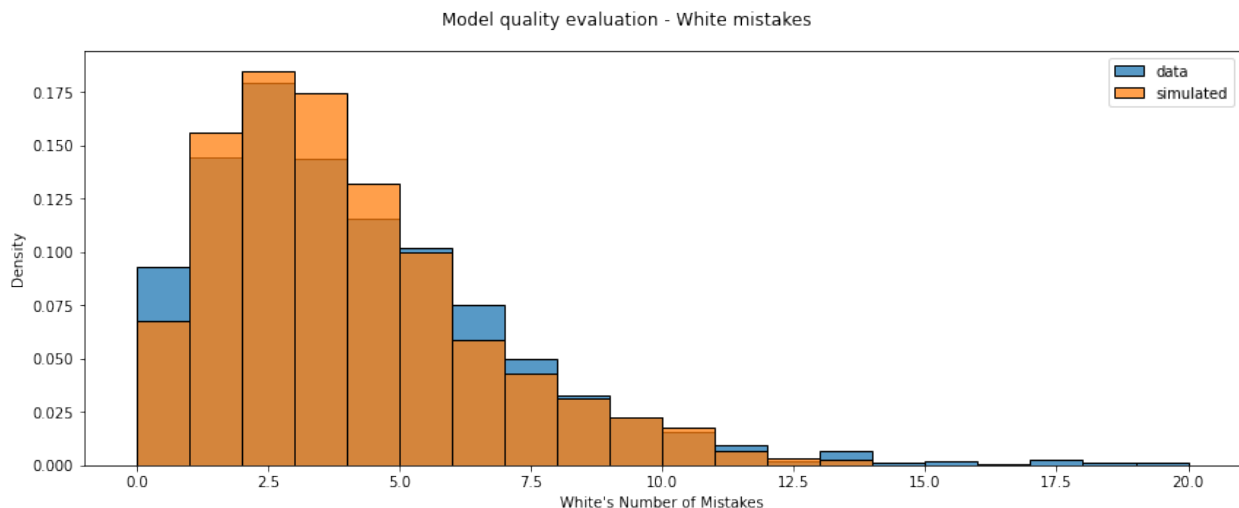
```
mistakes_white_pred, 'mistakes_black_pred': mistakes_black_pred})
df_model_2_fit_transposed
```

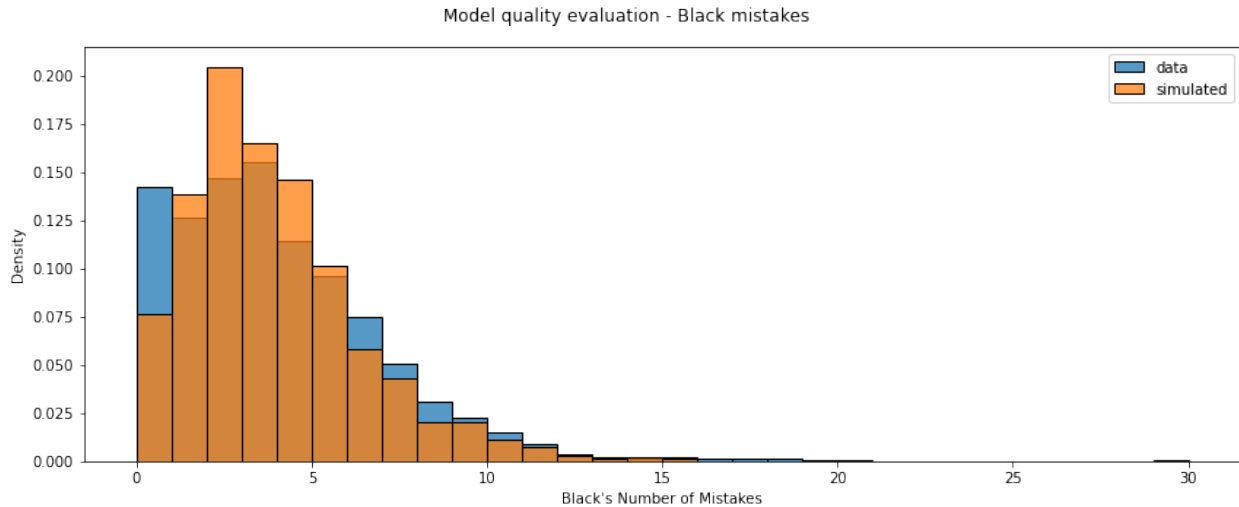
	mistakes_white_pred	mistakes_black_pred
0	5.0	2.0
1	6.0	4.0
2	2.0	2.0
3	2.0	2.0
4	3.0	3.0
...
2022	7.0	8.0
2023	2.0	5.0
2024	2.0	4.0
2025	2.0	3.0
2026	2.0	5.0

[2027 rows x 2 columns]

c) Analysis of posterior predictive samples

```
for color in ['White', 'Black']:
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,5))
    fig.suptitle(f"Model quality evaluation - {color} mistakes")
    sns.histplot(data=df, x=f"{color}'s Number of Mistakes",
    binwidth=1, stat="density", ax=ax, label='data')
    sns.histplot(data=df_model_2_fit_transposed,
    x=f"mistakes_{color.lower()}_pred", binwidth=1, stat="density", ax=ax,
    label='simulated')
    plt.legend()
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.plot()
    plt.show()
```





Posterior predictive samples are consistent with the data. This is the result of the second (more complex) model and (as we expected) it is better than result from first (simpler) model. The results returned by the model considering time control, rating difference and chosen opening are very satisfactory. Below we calculated overlap of posterior predictive samples and data.

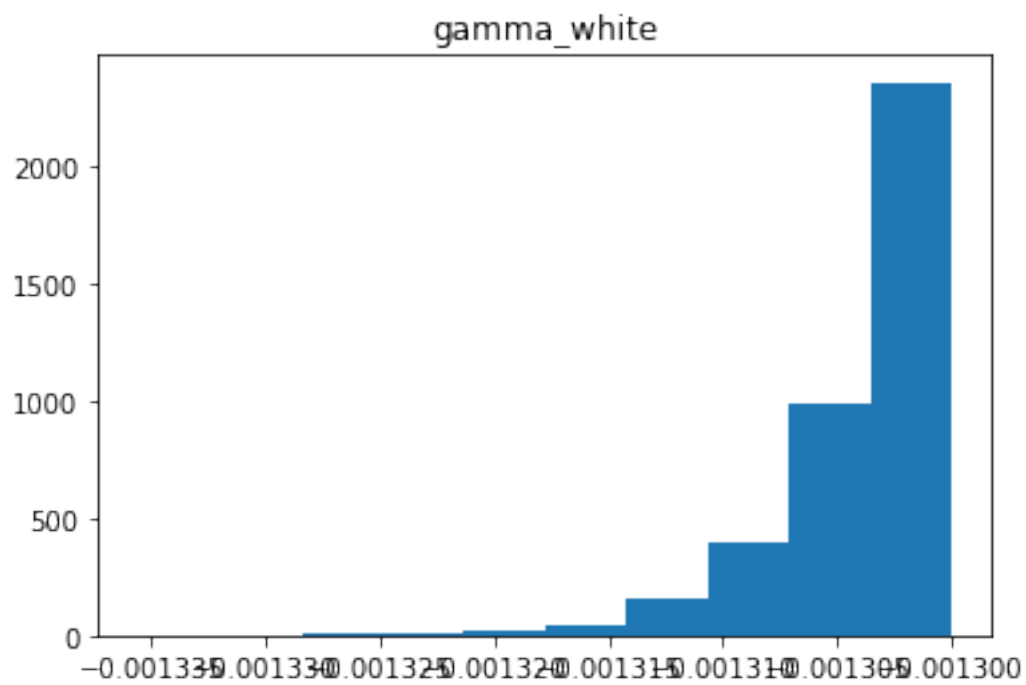
```
calculate_hist_overlap(df, df_model_2_fit_transposed)
```

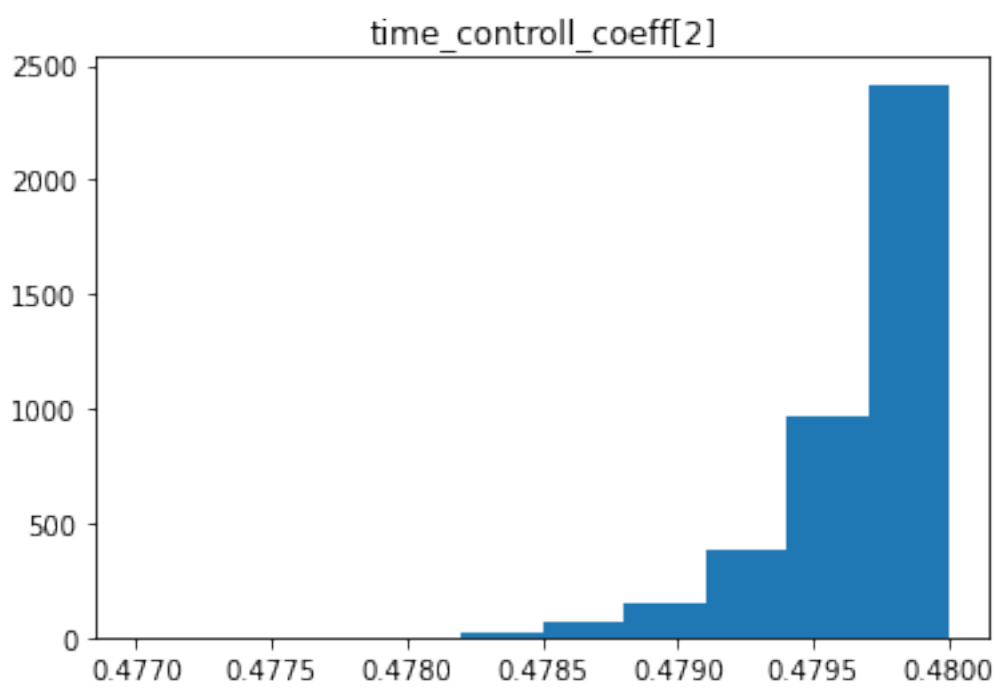
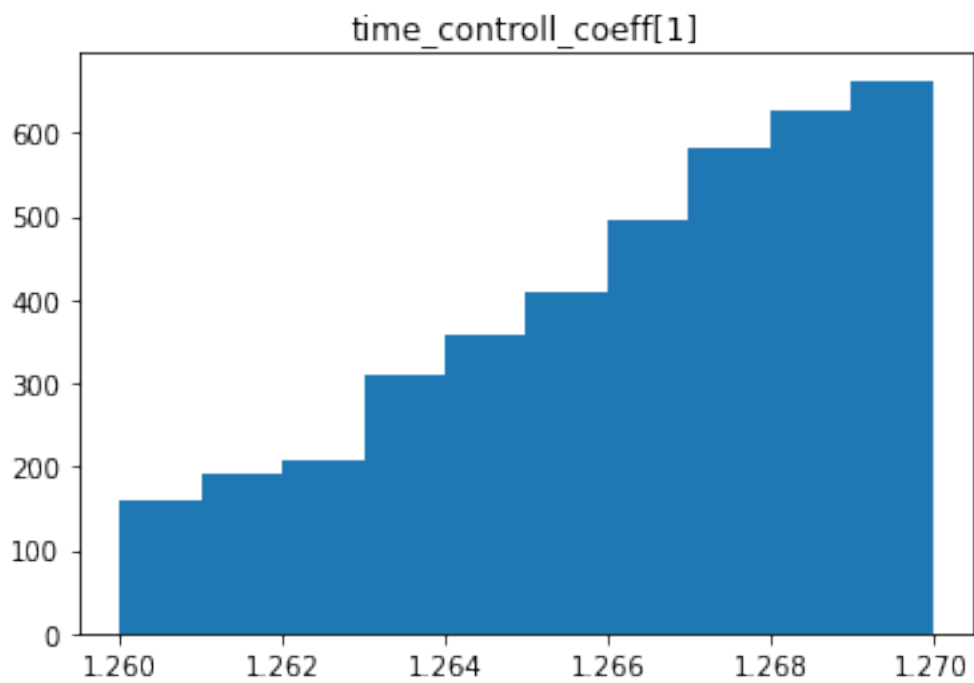
```
Overlap of posterior predictive samples and data for mistakes white :  
87.29%
```

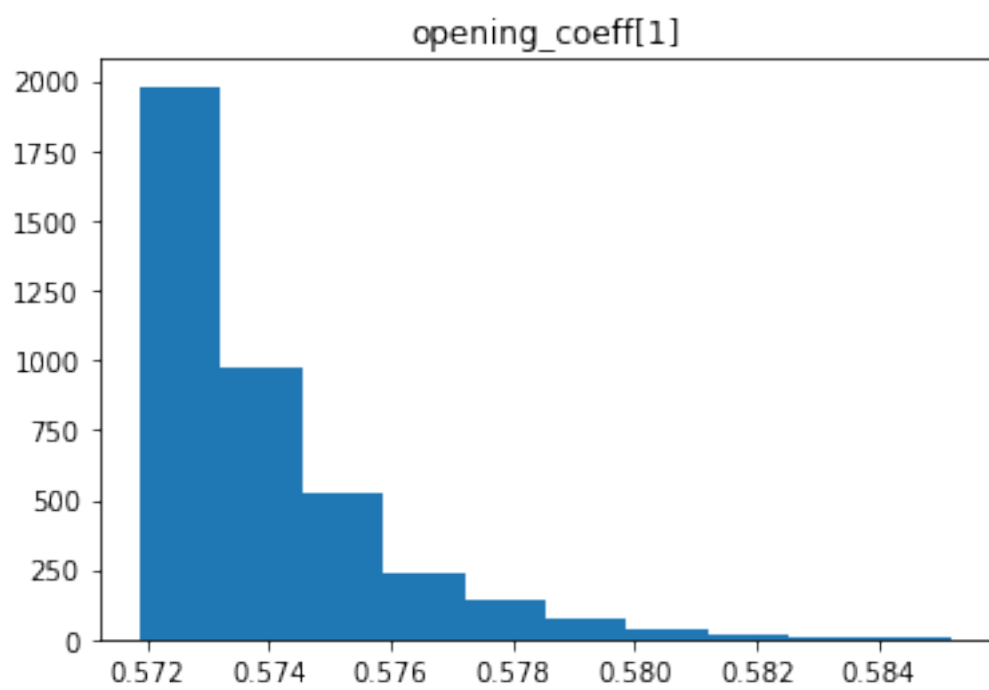
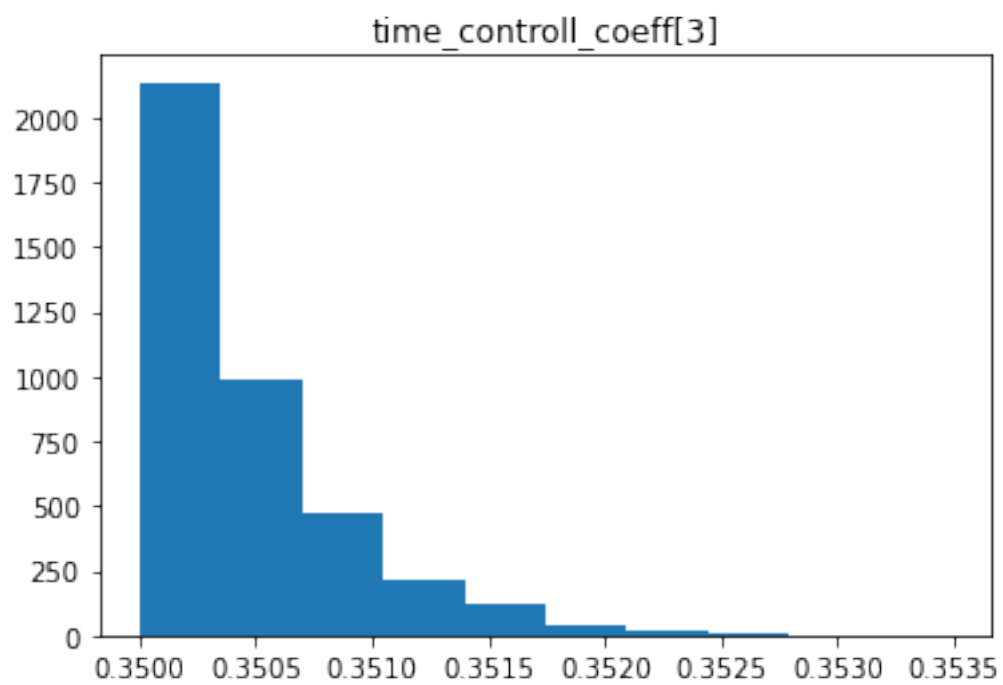
```
Overlap of posterior predictive samples and data for mistakes black :  
79.02%
```

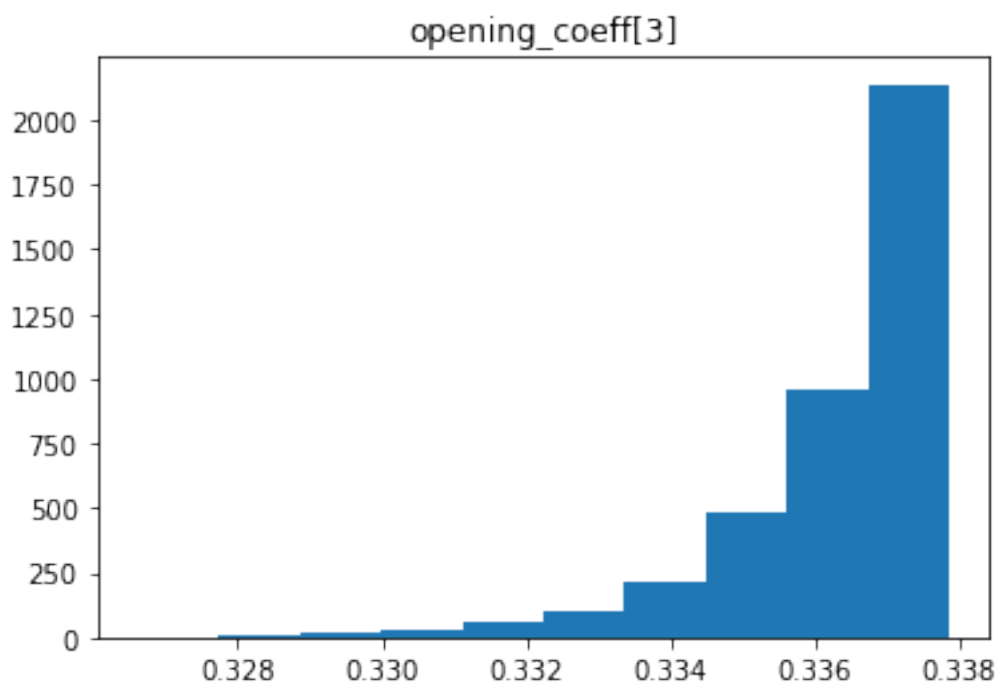
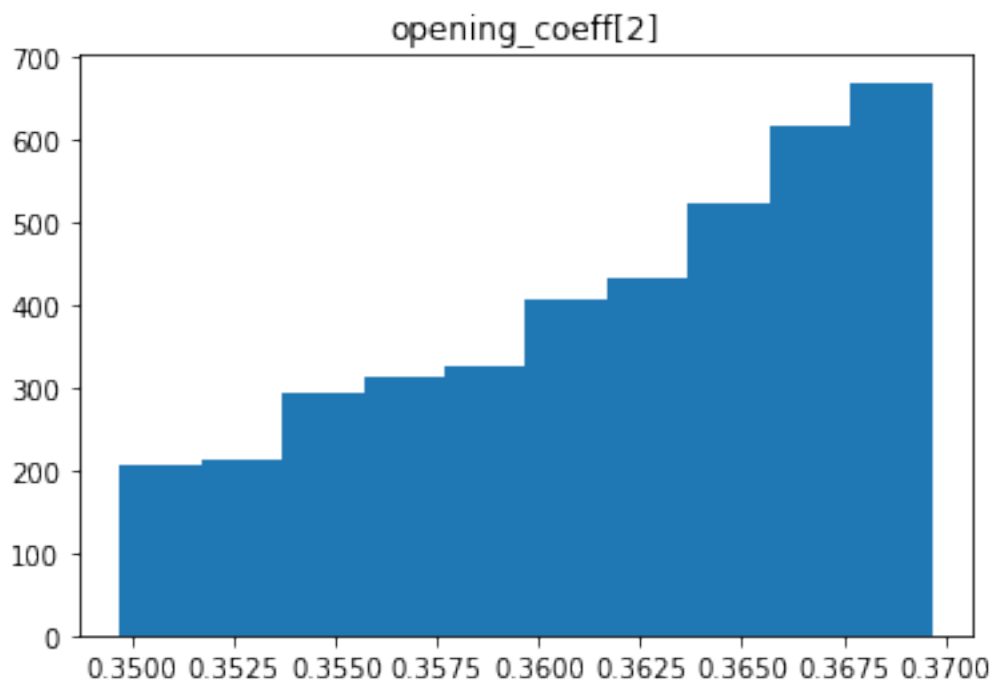
d) Analysis of parameter marginal distributions

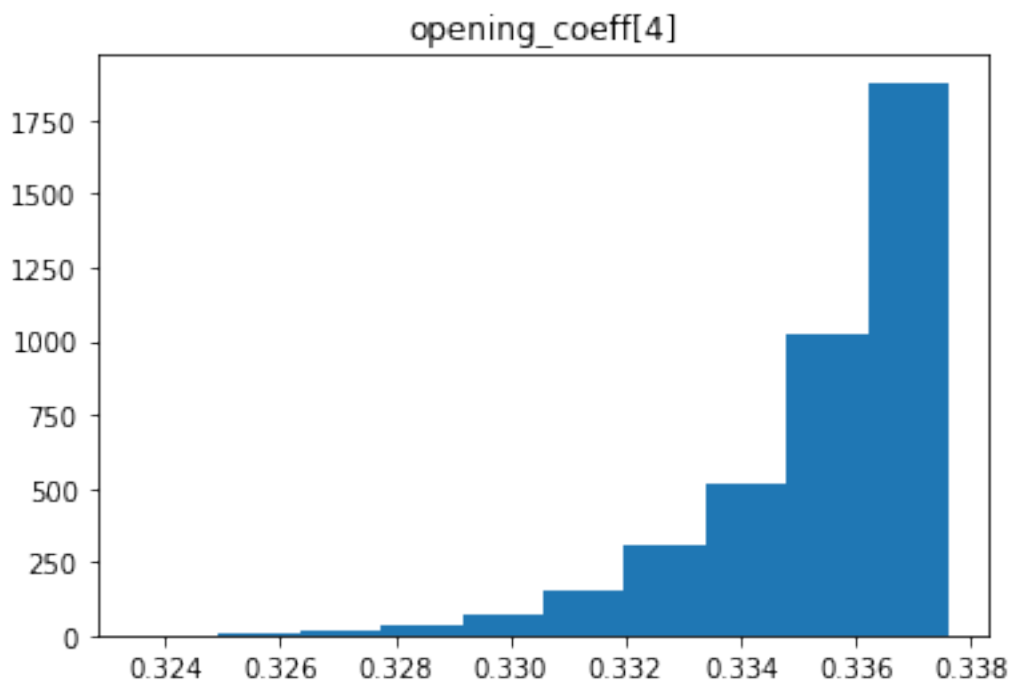
```
for parameter in ['gamma_white', 'gamma_black',  
'time_controll_coeff[1]', 'time_controll_coeff[2]',  
'time_controll_coeff[3]',  
                  'opening_coeff[1]', 'opening_coeff[2]',  
'opening_coeff[3]', 'opening_coeff[4]']:  
    plt.hist(model_2_fit_df[parameter])  
    plt.title(parameter)  
    plt.show()
```











Comment: The parameter values are concentrated and quite close to those obtained by prior analysis.

7. Model comparison

a) Comparison using information criteria

```
compare_dict = {
    "Model 1": az.from_cmdstanpy(posterior=model_1_fit),
    "Model 2": az.from_cmdstanpy(posterior=model_2_fit)
}

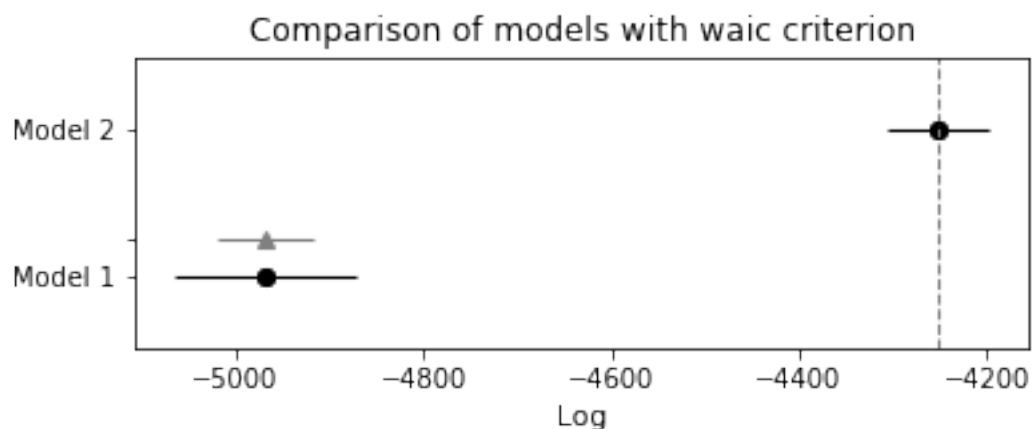
for information_criteria in ["waic", "loo"]:
    diff = az.compare(compare_dict=compare_dict,
                      ic=information_criteria)
    print(f"{information_criteria.upper()}")
    print("="*100)
    display(diff)
    ax = az.plot_compare(diff)
    ax.set_title(f"Comparison of models with {information_criteria}
criterion")
    plt.show()
    print("="*100)
    if information_criteria == "waic":
        print('\n\n')
```

WAIC

```
=====
=====
```

	rank	waic	p_waic	d_waic	weight	se
\ Model 2	0	-4252.434847	0.129815	0.000000	0.974588	54.040376
Model 1	1	-4968.331503	0.044622	715.896655	0.025412	95.905208

	dse	warning	waic_scale
Model 2	0.000000	False	log
Model 1	51.299359	False	log



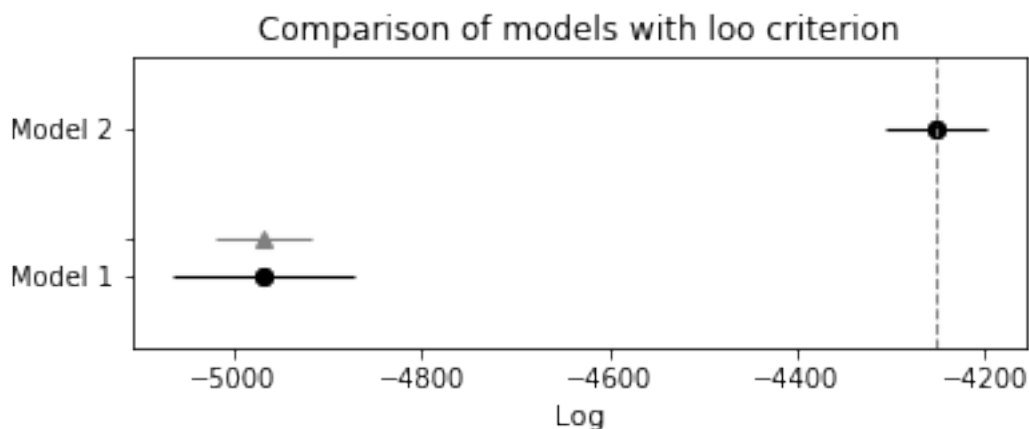
```
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```

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```
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```

	rank	loo	p_loo	d_loo	weight	se
\ Model 2	0	-4252.434849	0.129816	0.000000	0.974588	54.040376
Model 1	1	-4968.331510	0.044628	715.896661	0.025412	95.905209

	dse	warning	loo_scale
Model 2	0.000000	False	log
Model 1	51.29936	True	log



b) Conclusions and comments drawn from the result for WAIC

The results obtained for the Watanabe-Akaike Information Criterion (WAIC) ratio allow comparing the "Model 1" and "Model 2" models on the basis of predictive evaluation.

- Model 2 has a "rank" of 0, indicating that it is better than Model 1, which has a rank of 1.
- "waic" refers to the Watanabe-Akaike Information Criterion (WAIC) value for each model. Model 2 has a WAIC value of -4252.434847, while Model 1 has a WAIC value of -4968.331503.
- "p_waic" represents the estimated value of the WAIC estimate along with the standard error. For Model 2, it is 0.129815, and for Model 1, it is 0.044622.
- "d_waic" shows the difference in WAIC between Model 2 and Model 1. In this case, it is 715.896655, indicating that Model 2 has a lower WAIC by that amount compared to Model 1.
- "weight" represents the weight assigned to each model based on WAIC comparisons. For Model 2, the weight is 0.974588, and for Model 1, it is 0.025412. A higher weight implies a higher probability that the model is well-fitted to the data.
- "se" indicates the standard error for the model weights. For Model 2, it is 54.040376, and for Model 1, it is 95.905208.
- "dse" represents the standard error for the difference in WAIC between the models. For Model 2, it is 0.000000, and for Model 1, it is 51.299359.
- "warning" indicates whether any warnings occurred during the calculations. Both models have a value of False, suggesting that no warnings were raised.
- "waic_scale" specifies the scale used for WAIC calculation. In this case, it is "log" for both models.

In summary, based on the results from the `az.compare` function, it can be concluded that Model 2 has a lower WAIC, lower standard error, higher weight, and no warnings compared to Model 1. This suggests that Model 2 is better fitted to the data and more reliable according to the Watanabe-Akaike Information Criterion.

c) Conclusions and comments drawn from the result for LOO

The results obtained for the Leave-One-Out (LOO) ratio allow comparing the "Model 1" and "Model 2" models on the basis of predictive evaluation.

- Model 2 has a "rank" of 0, which means it is better than Model 1, which has a rank of 1.
- "loo" refers to the Leave-One-Out (LOO) value for each model. Model 2 has a LOO value of -4252.434849, while Model 1 has a LOO value of -4968.331510.
- "p_loo" represents the estimated value of the LOO estimate along with the standard error. For Model 2, it is 0.129816, and for Model 1, it is 0.044628.
- "d_loo" shows the difference in LOO between Model 2 and Model 1. In this case, it is 715.896661, indicating that Model 2 has a lower LOO by that amount compared to Model 1.
- "weight" represents the weight assigned to each model based on LOO comparisons. For Model 2, the weight is 0.974588, and for Model 1, it is 0.025412. A higher weight implies a higher probability that the model is well-fitted to the data.
- "se" indicates the standard error for the model weights. For Model 2, it is 54.040376, and for Model 1, it is 95.905209.
- "dse" represents the standard error for the difference in LOO between the models. For Model 2, it is 0.00000, and for Model 1, it is 51.29936.
- "warning" indicates whether any warnings occurred during the calculations. For Model 2, the value is False, and for Model 1, it is True.
- "loo_scale" specifies the scale used for LOO estimation. In this case, it is "log" for both models.

In summary - Model 2 has a lower LOO, lower standard error, higher weight, and no warning compared to Model 1. This suggests that Model 2 is better fitted to the data and more reliable.

d) Final conclusions

The comparison made above using information criteria confirmed our earlier conclusions. Model 2 proved to be significantly better, showing that the impact of chess opening selection on the course of the game is significant. As chess players, we predicted that we would get such results after comparing these models.