

Question2

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Problem 2 : Simulation Study to Understand Sampling Distribution

Part A Suppose $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \sigma)$, with pdf as

$$f(x|\alpha, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} e^{-x/\sigma} x^{\alpha-1}, \quad 0 < x < \infty,$$

The mean and variance are $E(X) = \alpha\sigma$ and $\text{Var}(X) = \alpha\sigma^2$. Note that **shape** = α and **scale** = σ .

1. Write a function in R which will compute the MLE of $\theta = \log(\alpha)$ using **optim** function in R. You can name it **MyMLE**

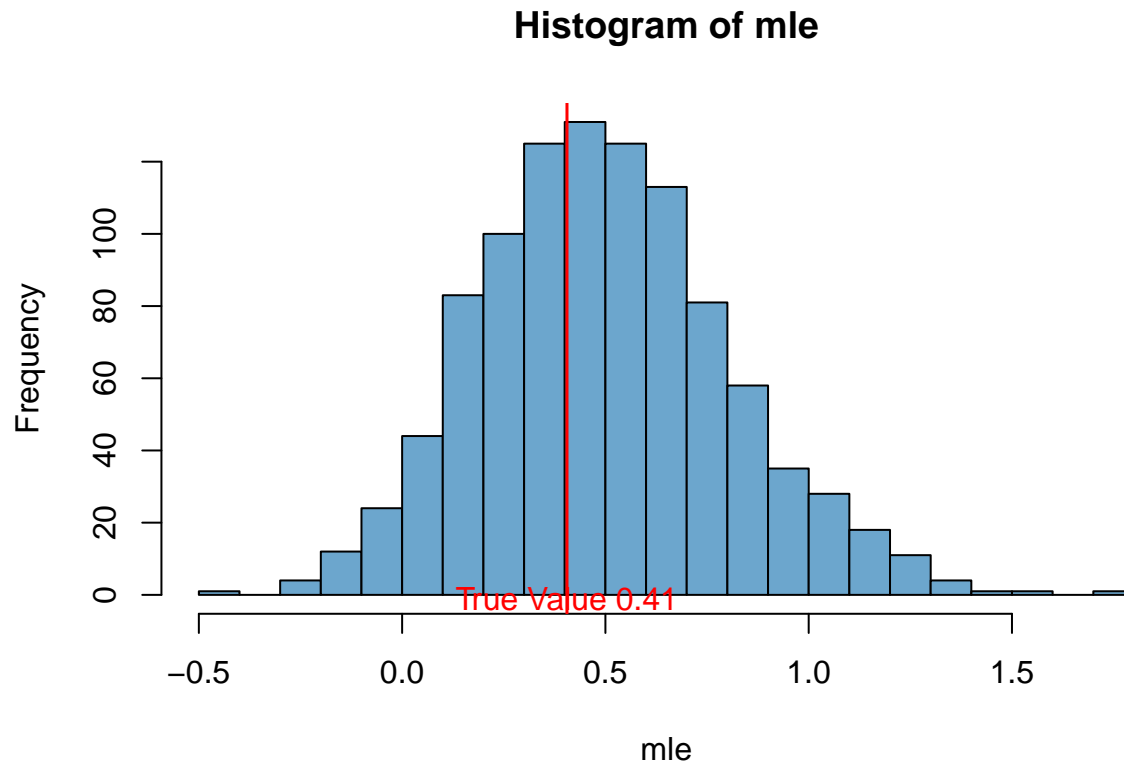
```
MyMLE <- function(x, alfa, beta){  
  est <- function(x1 = x, para){  
    est = -1*sum(dgamma(x1, shape = para[1], scale = para[2], log = T))  
    return(est)  
  }  
  opt <- optim(par = c(alfa, beta), fn = est, x1 = x)  
  return(log(opt$par[1]))  
}
```

```
Q2_1 <- function(n, N, alfa, beta){  
  mle <- c(rep(0, N))  
  for(i in 1:N){  
    x <- rgamma(n, shape = alfa, scale = beta)  
    mle[i] = MyMLE(x, alfa, beta)  
  }  
  q2_5 <- as.character(round(quantile(mle, 0.025), 3))  
  q97_5 <- as.character(round(quantile(mle, 0.975), 3))  
  diff <- as.character(round((quantile(mle, 0.975) - quantile(mle, 0.025)), 3))  
  
  hist(mle, col = 'skyblue3', breaks = 25)  
  abline(v = log(alfa), lwd = 1.5, col = 'red')  
  s1 <- as.character(round(log(alfa), 2))  
  lbl_str <- paste('True Value', s1)  
  text(log(alfa), -1, lbl_str, col = 'red')  
  print(paste('2.5th quantile = ', q2_5))  
  print(paste('97.5th quantile = ', q97_5))  
  print(paste('97.5th qunatile - 2.5th quantile = ', diff))  
  return(round((quantile(mle, 0.975) - quantile(mle, 0.025)), 3))  
}
```

2. Choose $n=20$, and $\alpha=1.5$ and $\sigma=2.2$

- (i) Simulate $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ from `rgamma(n=20, shape=1.5, scale=2.2)`
- (ii) Apply the `MyMLE` to estimate θ and append the value in a vector
- (iii) Repeat the step (i) and (ii) 1000 times
- (iv) Draw histogram of the estimated MLEs of θ .
- (v) Draw a vertical line using `abline` function at the true value of θ .
- (vi) Use `quantile` function on estimated θ 's to find the 2.5 and 97.5-percentile points.

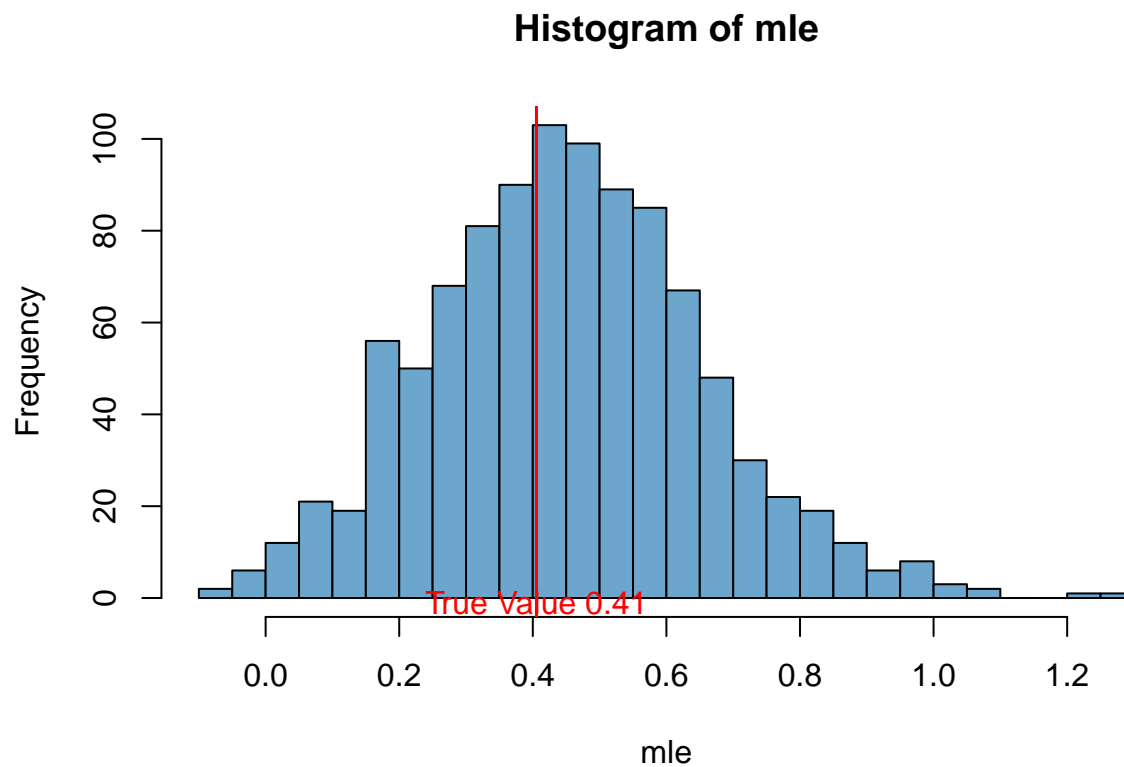
```
q2 <- Q2_1(20,1000,1.5,2.2)
```



```
## [1] "2.5th quantile = -0.052"
## [1] "97.5th quantile = 1.149"
## [1] "97.5th qunatile - 2.5th quantile = 1.2"
```

3. Choose $n=40$, and $\alpha=1.5$ and repeat the (2).

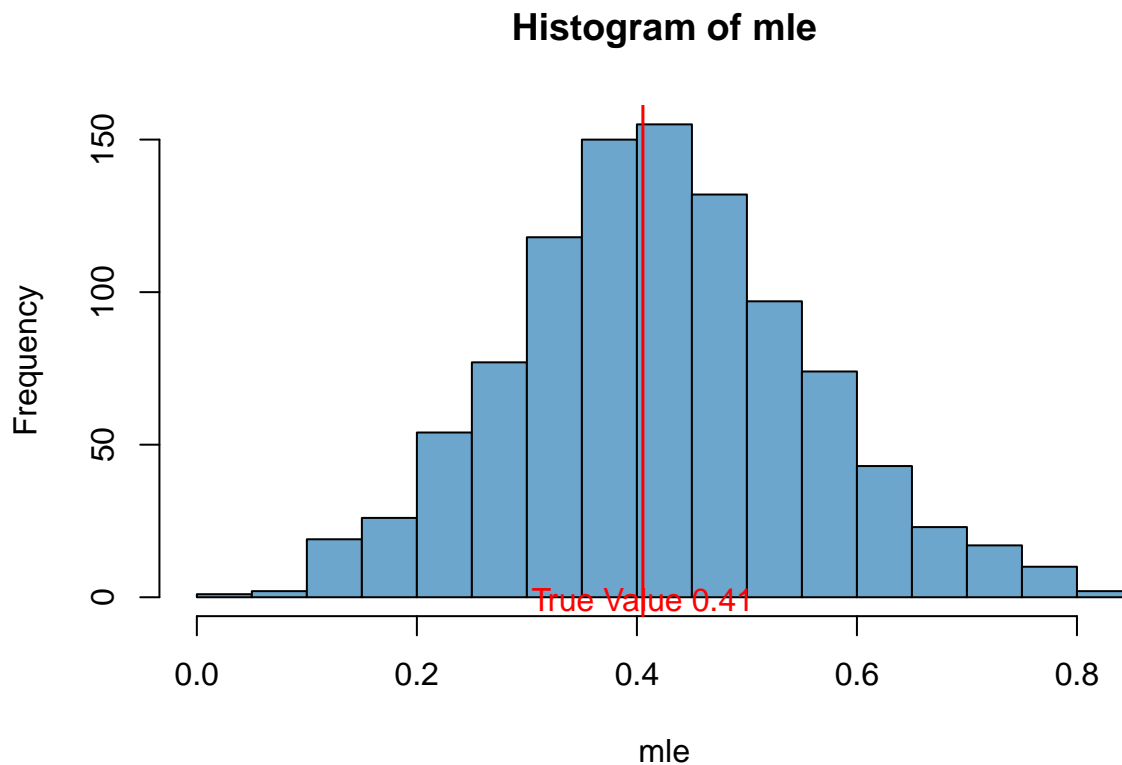
```
q3 <- Q2_1(40,1000,1.5,2.2)
```



```
## [1] "2.5th quantile = 0.076"  
## [1] "97.5th quantile = 0.875"  
## [1] "97.5th qunatile - 2.5th quantile = 0.799"
```

4. Choose $n=100$, and $\alpha=1.5$ and repeat the (2).

```
q4 <- Q2_1(100,1000,1.5,2.2)
```



```
## [1] "2.5th quantile = 0.163"
## [1] "97.5th quantile = 0.712"
## [1] "97.5th qunatile - 2.5th quantile = 0.549"
```

5. Check if the gap between 2.5 and 97.5-percentile points are shrinking as sample size n is increasing?

```
print(q2>q3 && q3>q4)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

Hence we can see that the gap between 2.5 and 97.5-percentile points are shrinking as sample size n is increasing.

Hint: Perhaps you should think of writing a single function where you will provide the values of n , sim_size , α and σ ; and it will return the desired output.