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Q1: Simulate tossing a fair coin (a Bernoulli trial) 50 times. Count the number of heads. Record the longest run of heads. Generate a histogram for the Bernoulli outcomes.

Methods:

- Record the run length:
 - o the goal of the title of statement is to find the consecutive "1". For example: the runs of lengths of 100111001111 is (1,3,4).
 - o Instead of doing loop, my thought to find out and mark the change of digits (1→0 or 0→1) of the array. For example, the mark of change of 100111001111 is 1,4,9 (0→1) and 2,7,13 (1→0). And calculate the length of the "1".
 - o XOR is used to realize the marking. For example, left shift one bit of the original data: 100111001111→[100111001111] and do XOR([100111001111,0],[0, 100111001111]) we will get the mark of (1→0): (1000010000010), then use find command in MATLAB to find the index of 1 (that means the location where 1→0). The same as to obtain index of (0→1).
 - o After that, the index array of (1→0) minus the index array of (0→1) and then we will get the runs length.
- Use max command to get the longest run of heads
- Use histogram to get the figure.

Discussions of the Algorithm:

Compared with the for loop, this Algorithm will save a lot of time since it just does shifting, which is especially fit for the architecture of our computer (CPU).

Codes:

```
%Q1
clear
N=100;
TRIES=1;
THRESHOD=0.5;
for i=1:TRIES
    isHEAD=rand(1,N)>THRESHOD;
    runs=reshape(find(xor([0,isHEAD],[isHEAD,0])==1),2,[]);
    run=runs(2,:)-runs(1,:);
    longest=max(run);
    T(i)=sum(runs(2,:)-runs(1,:));
end
histogram(isHEAD);
title('The Histogram for the Bernoulli Outcomes')
xlabel('Outcomes:HEADS(1)/TAILS(0)');
ylabel('Frequency of the Outcome');
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%disp('The longest run is:')
%disp(longest)

%histogram(T)
%title('The Histogram of Towssing(TRIES:1)')
%xlabel('The Number of Head');
%ylabel('Frequency of the Same Head Number');

histogram(run)
title('The Histogram of Runs Lengths of TOSSING 100 Times')
xlabel('The Frequency of Possible Runs Lengths');
ylabel('The Possible Runs Lengths');

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Results:

```

isHEAD =

Columns 1 through 17

    0     1     0     0     1     1     1     1     1     0     0     1     0     0     1     0     0

Columns 18 through 34

    0     0     1     1     0     0     1     1     0     1     1     1     1     1     1     0     1

Columns 35 through 50

    0     0     1     1     1     1     0     1     1     1     0     1     1     1     0     0

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run =

    1     5     1     1     2     2     6     1     4     3     3

The longest run is:
    6

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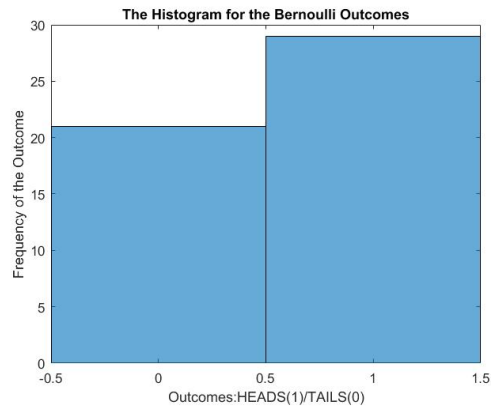


Figure1 : The Histogram for the Bernoulli Outcomes

Q1a: Repeat the above experiment 20,100,200 and 1000 times. Generate a histogram for each showing the number of heads in 50 flips. Comment on the limit of the histogram.

Methods and codes:

The methods and codes are similar with the Q1's. Just revise the parameter: TRIES and the xlabel and ylabel to show the different figure.

Results:

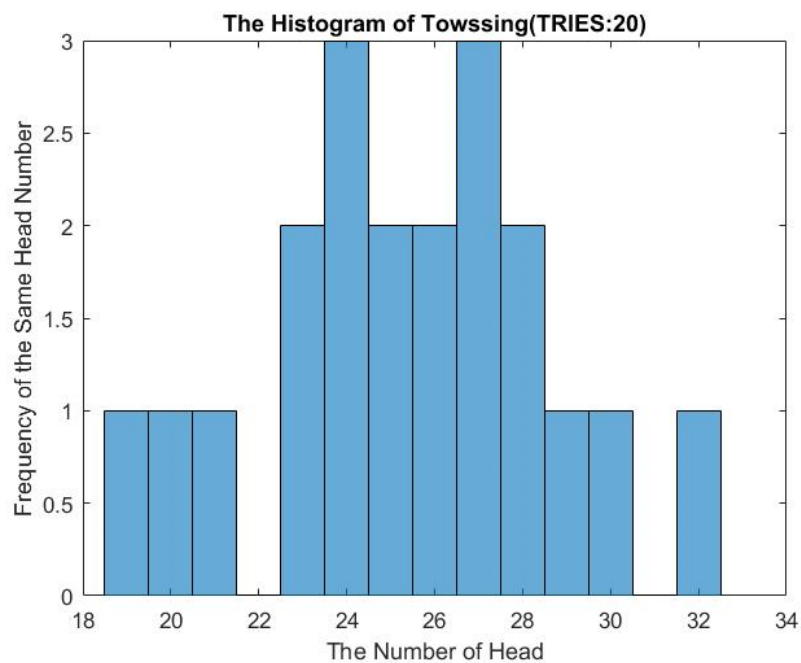


Figure 2: The histogram of Tossing(TRIES:20)

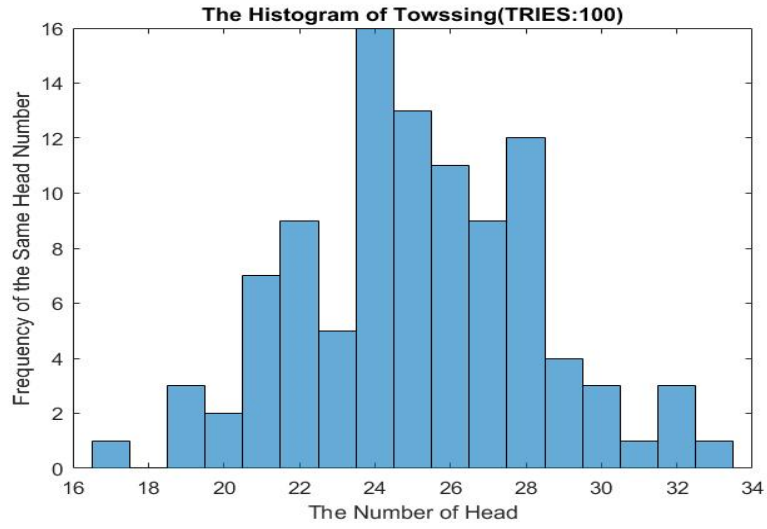


Figure 4: The historam of Towssing(TRIES:200)

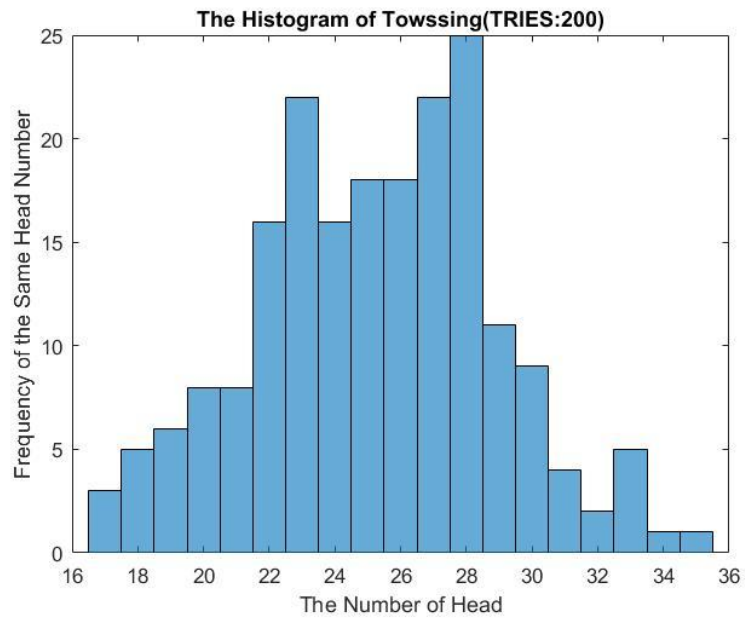


Figure 4: The historam of Towssing(TRIES:200)

Discussions:

- The disadvantages of histogram is that we cannot get a smooth curve from the figure, which will result in some inaccuracy especially when the **quantity of the data is small**.

Q2 : Simulate tossing a biased coin 200 times where $P[\text{HEAD}] = 0.8$. Count the number of heads. Record the longest run of heads. Generate a histogram for the Bernoulli outcomes.

Methods:

The method is the same as the Q1's. Set TRRIES=1, THRESHOD=0.2 and N=200.

Results:

```
run =  
  
Columns 1 through 17  
    5    7    8    2    5    9    1    2    8 | 7    1    5    3    4    11    1    4  
  
Columns 18 through 32  
    7    4    1    3    2    9    12    2    3    1    1    1    9    1    20  
  
The longest run is:  
20
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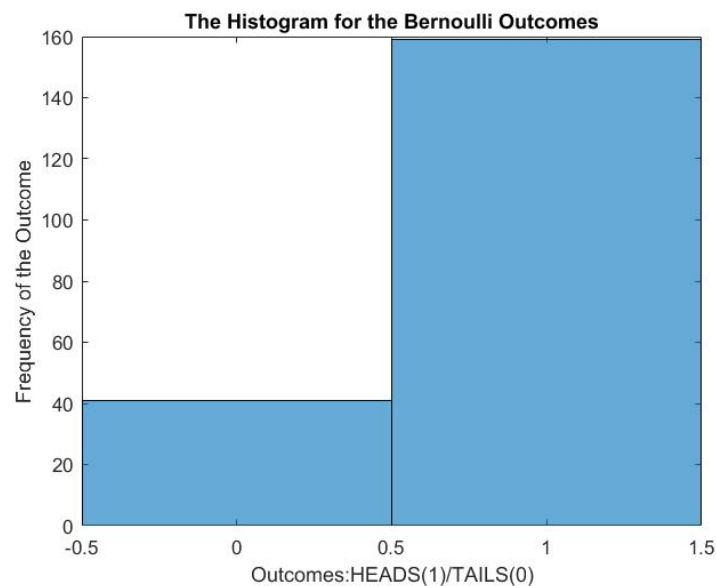


Figure 5: The histogram for the Bernoulli outcomes for $P[\text{HEAD}] = 0.8$

Q3: Simulate tossing a fair coin 100 times. Generate a histogram showing the heads run lengths.

Method: The methods used here is the same as the Q1. Based on Q3, set THRESHOD=0.5 and N=100.

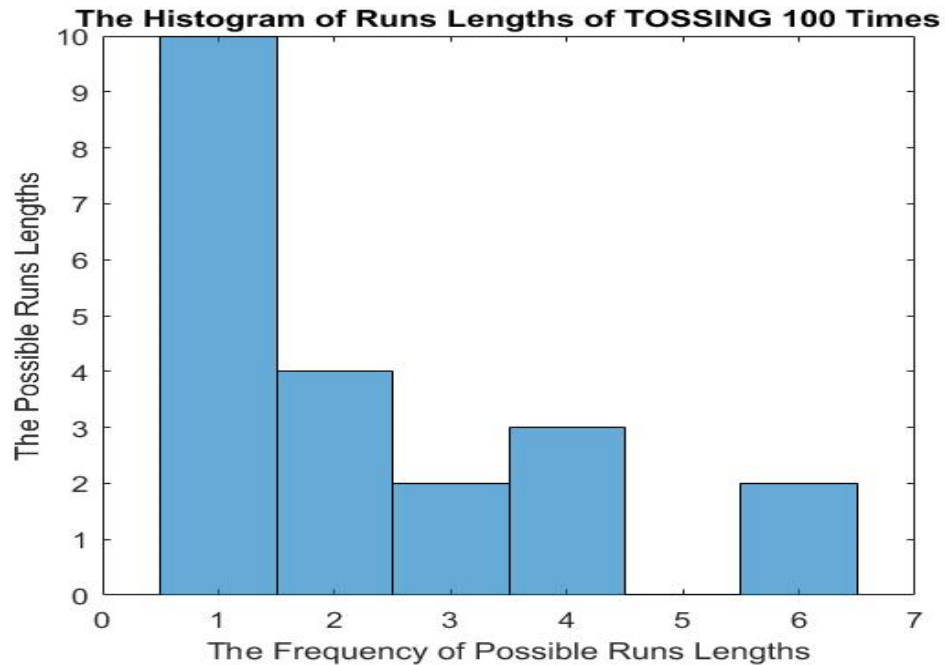


Figure 6: The Histogram of Runs lengths of tossing 100 times.

Discussion:

we can find in the figure that the frequency of the run of 1 is the largest since the propability to gain head is $\frac{1}{2}$. So it is more likely to get one TAIL and one HEAD.

Q4 : Simulate tossing a fair coin and count the number of tosses until reaching a user-specified positive number heads.

Methods: Our goal is to obtain the times you need to toss when the number of heads reach to the set number. So we just do a loop and until the HEAD number reach the to the one we set: x. The code is as the following shows.

```
%4
clear
x=input('The number of heads:')
TRIES=1;
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THRESHOD=0.5;
Count=0;
HEAD=0;
    while (HEAD<x)
        HEAD=HEAD+ (rand(1)<THRESHOD) ;
        Count=Count+1;
    end
disp('You need to toss:')
disp(Count)
disp('times')

```

Results:

<pre> x = 1 You need to toss: 4 </pre>	<pre> x = 100 You need to toss: 190 </pre>	<pre> x = 1000 You need to toss: 1996 </pre>
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Discussion:

After several experiments we find that :

- If you want to get 1 head, the propability will always greater than 2.
- The more times you toss, the more closer that the propability reach to ½.

In order to get the more stable results, we improve the trials time and take the average times.

```

%4
clear
x=input('The number of heads:')
TRIES=1;
THRESHOD=0.5;
Count=0;
for i=1:100
    HEAD=0;
    while (HEAD<x)
        HEAD=HEAD+ (rand(1)<THRESHOD) ;
        Count=Count+1;
    end
end
disp('You need to toss average:')
disp(Count/100)

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```
disp('times')
```

Results(Average times):

```
x =
```

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1000
```

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You need to toss average:
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2.0028e+03
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```
x =
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100
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You need to toss average:
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200.9500
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x =
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1
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```
You need to toss average:
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```
2.2000
```

Discussion:

This will be more perfect to show the discussions above.