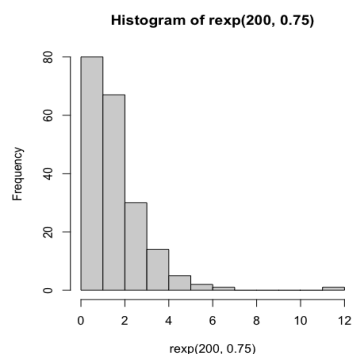


1 Question 1

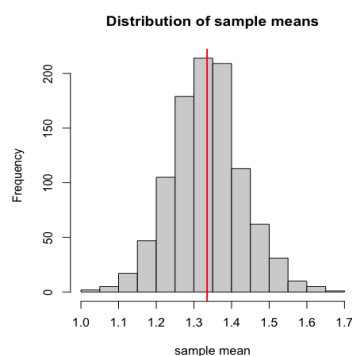
a)

The distribution of the simulated data is right skewed.

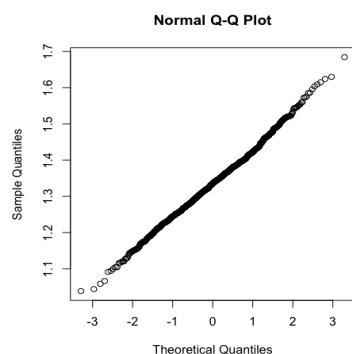


b)

The sample means has mean approximately equals to 1.332473.



c)



d)

Sample of size $n = 200$ from the $\text{Exponential}(3/4)$ distribution has a right skewed distribution diagram. When there is 1000 samples of size $n = 200$ from $\text{Exponential}(3/4)$, the histogram of the sample means is symmetrically bell shaped.

Hence, Central limit theorem ('When independent random variables are added, their properly normalized sum tends toward a normal distribution (informally a bell curve) even if the original variables themselves are not normally distributed.') is verified in this simulation study.

2 Question 2

a)

Given: $f_X(x; \theta) = (\theta + 1)x^\theta$, $0 < x < 1$, $\theta > 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(x) &= \int_0^1 x(\theta + 1)x^\theta dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (\theta + 1)x^{\theta+1} dx \\ &= \frac{\theta + 1}{\theta + 2} [1^{\theta+2} - 0] \\ &= \frac{\theta + 1}{\theta + 2}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{X}_n &= \frac{\tilde{\theta} + 1}{\tilde{\theta} + 2} \\ (\tilde{\theta} + 2)\bar{X}_n &= \tilde{\theta} + 1 \\ \tilde{\theta}\bar{X}_n + 2\bar{X}_n &= \tilde{\theta} + 1 \\ \tilde{\theta}(\bar{X}_n - 1) &= 1 - 2\bar{X}_n \\ \tilde{\theta} &= \frac{1 - 2\bar{X}_n}{\bar{X}_n - 1}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the method of moments estimator $\tilde{\theta}$ of θ is:

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{1 - 2\bar{X}_n}{\bar{X}_n - 1}.$$

b)i)

$$L(\theta : x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\theta + 1)x_i^\theta.$$

$$\begin{aligned}l(\theta : x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \ln[(\theta + 1)x_i^\theta] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n [\ln(\theta + 1) + \ln(x_i^\theta)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(\theta + 1) + \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}l'(\theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta + 1} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) \\ &= \frac{n}{\theta + 1} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}l'' &= \frac{-n}{(\theta + 1)^2} \\ l'' &< 0.\end{aligned}$$

Assume: $l'(\theta) = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{n}{\theta+1} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(xi) &= 0 \\ \frac{n}{\theta+1} &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(xi) \\ \theta+1 &= \left[\frac{-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(xi) \right]^{-1} \\ \theta &= \left[\frac{-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(xi) \right]^{-1} - 1.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \left[\frac{-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(xi) \right]^{-1} - 1$.

b)ii)

Fisher information of $\hat{\theta}$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(\hat{\theta}) &= -\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{-n}{(\theta+1)^2}\right] \\ &= \frac{n}{(\theta+1)^2}.\end{aligned}$$

b)iii)

$$Se(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ln(\hat{\theta})}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{n}{(\theta+1)^2}}} = \frac{\theta+1}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

c)

Given: $y = -\ln(x)$. Hence, for $0 < x < 1$, $x = e^{-y}$.

$$\left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = e^{-y}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f_Y(y) &= f_{-\ln(X)}(y) = f_X(x; \theta) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| \\ &= (\theta+1)x^\theta \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ &= (\theta+1)x^\theta e^{-y} \\ &= (\theta+1)e^{-y\theta} e^{-y} \\ &= (\theta+1)e^{-y(\theta+1)} \quad \text{for } 0 < y < \infty\end{aligned}$$

Hence, probability density function of Y is $(\theta+1)e^{-y(\theta+1)}$, which is same as $\text{Gamma}\left(1, \frac{1}{\theta+1}\right)$.

3 Question 3

Let X have a geometric distribution with parameter p ,

a)

$$X \sim \text{Geometric}(p),$$

$$f_X(x; p) = p(1 - p)^{x-1}, \text{ when } x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x; p) &= \mathbb{P}(X = 1) + \mathbb{P}(X = 2) + \dots + \mathbb{P}(X = x) \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} f_X(x; p) \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} p(1 - p)^{x-1} \\ &= p + p(1 - p) + p(1 - p)^2 + \dots + p(1 - p)^{x-1} \\ &= p[1 + (1 - p) + (1 - p)^2 + \dots + (1 - p)^{x-1}] \\ &= p \frac{[(1 - p)^x - 1]}{(1 - p) - 1} \\ &= -[(1 - p)^x - 1] \\ &= 1 - (1 - p)^x, \quad \text{when } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

b)

Because, $f_X(x; p) = p(1 - p)^{x-1}$, when $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

Therefore, $\mathbb{P}(X > s) = (1 - p)^s$, when $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X > s + t | X > s) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > s + t, X > s)}{\mathbb{P}(X > s)} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > s + t)}{\mathbb{P}(X > s)} \\ &= \frac{(1 - p)^{s+t}}{(1 - p)^s} \\ &= (1 - p)^t. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, X has the lack of memory property.

c)

Given X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from a geometric distribution with parameter $p = 0.6$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{M}_X(u) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{ux}) \\
&= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{ux} p(1-p)^{x-1} \\
&= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{ux} p(1-p)^x \\
&= p \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{ux} (1-p)^x \\
&= p \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (e^u(1-p))^x \\
&= \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^u} \quad , \quad \text{when } u < -\ln(1-p) .
\end{aligned}$$

Since, $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_n$,

$$M_y(u) = \left(\frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^u} \right)^n .$$

Given, $p = 0.6$,

$$M_Y(u) = \left(\frac{0.6}{1 - 0.4e^u} \right)^n, \text{ for } u < -\ln(1-p) .$$

4 Question 4

a) The two properties of a density function are as follows:

1. $f(x) \geq 0$, for all x .
2. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = 1$.

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
f_Y(y) &= \pi f_{Y_1}(y) + (1-\pi) f_{Y_2}(y) \\
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Y(y) dy &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\pi f_{Y_1}(y) + (1-\pi) f_{Y_2}(y)) dy \\
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Y(y) dy &= \pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y_1}(y) dy + (1-\pi) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y_2}(y) dy \\
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Y(y) dy &= \pi \times 1 + (1-\pi) \times 1 \\
&= \pi + (1-\pi) = 1.
\end{aligned}$$

This result satisfies both properties of a density function, thus, $f_Y(y)$ is a density function too.

5 Question 5

Given: $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, variance $\sigma^2 < \infty$, mean = μ .

When $n > 3$, $\widetilde{X}_n = \frac{3X_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} X_i}{n}$.

a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[\tilde{X}_n] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{3X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{n-2}}{n}\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n}(3\mu + (n-3)\mu) \\
&= \frac{1}{n}(n\mu) \\
&= \mu, \\
bias(\tilde{X}_n) &= \mathbb{E}[\tilde{X}_n] - \mu \\
&= \mu - \mu \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, \tilde{X}_n is an unbiased estimator of μ .

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
Var[\tilde{X}_n] &= Var\left[\frac{3X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{n-2}}{n}\right] \\
&= Var\left[\frac{3X_1}{n} + \frac{X_2 + X_3 + \cdots + X_{n-2}}{n}\right] \\
&= \frac{9\sigma^2}{n^2} + \frac{(n-3)\sigma^2}{n^2} \\
&= \frac{6\sigma^2 + n\sigma^2}{n^2} \\
&= (6+n)\frac{\sigma^2}{n^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
MSE(\tilde{X}_n) &= [E][(\tilde{X}_n - \mu)^2] \\
&= [bias(\tilde{X}_n)]^2 + [Se(\tilde{X}_n)]^2 \\
&= 0 + Var(\tilde{X}_n) \\
&= (6+n)\frac{\sigma^2}{n^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (6+n)\frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} &= \sigma^2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6+n}{n^2} \\
&= \sigma^2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{6}{n^2} + \frac{n}{n^2}\right] \\
&= \sigma^2 \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{n^2} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}\right] \\
&= \sigma^2(0+0) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} MSE(\tilde{X}_n) = 0$.

d)

Because both \tilde{X}_n and \bar{X}_n are unbiased estimators for μ with equal sample sizes.

If: $Var(\tilde{X}_n) < Var(\bar{X}_n)$, \tilde{X}_n is a better estimator of μ than \bar{X}_n .

Given variable X has variance σ^2 .

$$Var(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$
$$Var(\tilde{X}_n) = \frac{6\sigma^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n}.$$

Since $n > 3$ and $\sigma \geq 0$, $\frac{6\sigma^2}{n} \geq 0$.

When $\sigma > 0$, $\frac{6\sigma^2}{n} > 0$,

$$Var(\bar{X}_n) < Var(\tilde{X}_n)$$

When $\sigma = 0$, $\frac{6\sigma^2}{n} = 0$,

$$Var(\bar{X}_n) = Var(\tilde{X}_n)$$

Therefore, $Var(\bar{X}_n) \leq Var(\tilde{X}_n)$.

Hence, \bar{X}_n is uniformly a better estimator of μ than \tilde{X}_n .