

Statistical Inference Course Project - Part 1

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Overview:

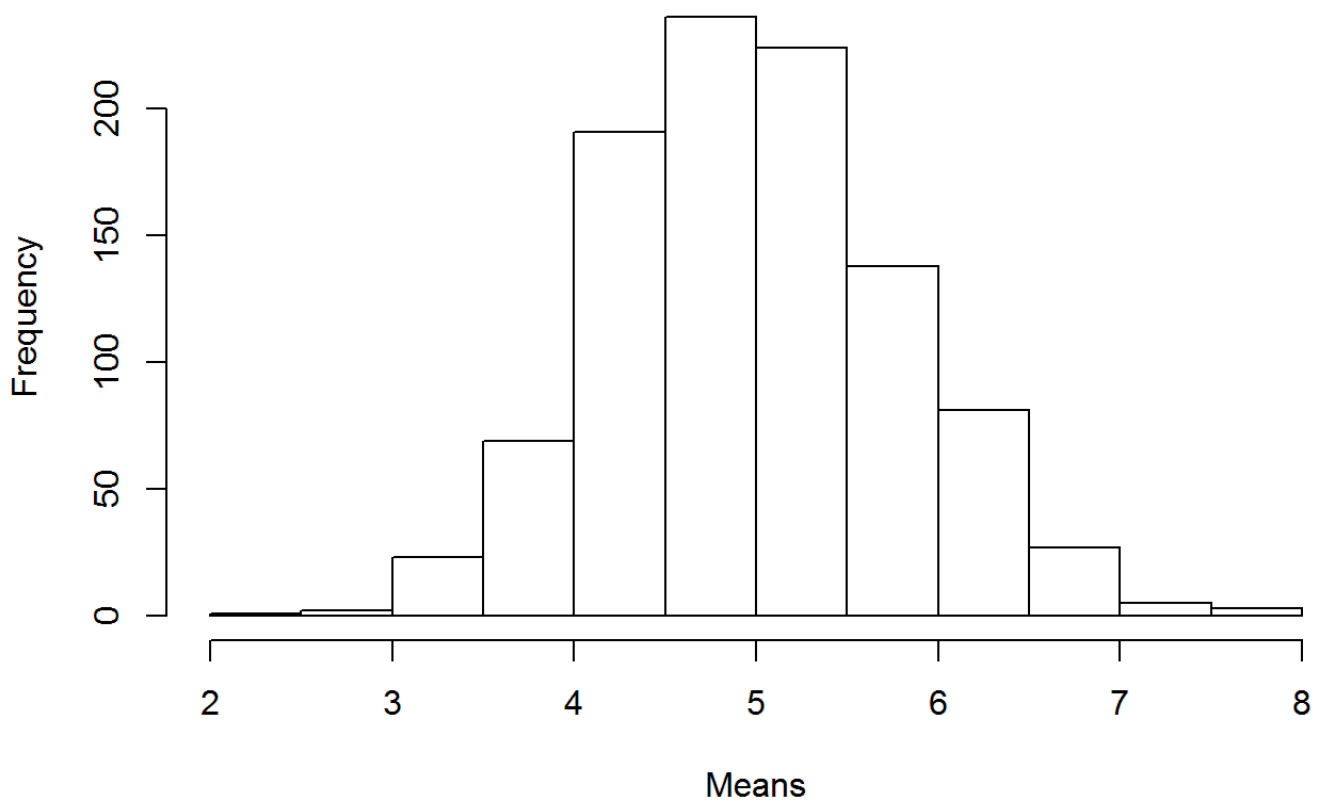
In this project we will investigate the exponential distribution in R and compare it with the Central Limit Theorem. The exponential distribution is simulated with `rexp(n, lambda)` where `lambda` is the rate parameter. Set up `lambda = 0.2` for all of the simulations. We will investigate the distribution of averages of 40 exponentials under a thousand simulations.

Simulations:

This part aims for returning a vector of 1000 mean values corresponding to thousand sample sets (40 element per sample set) of exponential distribution with `lambda = 0.2`. Histogram plot is used for demonstrating the distribution

```
n <- 40          # Number of elements in one sample set
lambda <- 0.2
mns = NULL      # Initialize a vector to store thousand of extracted means
for (i in 1 : 1000) mns = c(mns, mean(rexp(n,lambda)))
hist(mns, main = "Histogram of Means of Exponential Distribution Sample Sets", xlab = "Means")
```

Histogram of Means of Exponential Distribution Sample Sets



Sample Mean versus Theoretical Mean:

Based on the actual values of sample means vector (mns) we can calculate the mean of sample data

```
samp_mean <- mean(mns)    # Sample mean  
samp_mean
```

```
## [1] 4.989461
```

The theoretical expected value of an exponentially distributed random variable X with rate parameter λ is given by $1/\lambda$

```
theo_mean <- 1/lambda     # Theoretical mean  
theo_mean
```

```
## [1] 5
```

The difference between actual and theoretical means is -0.0105

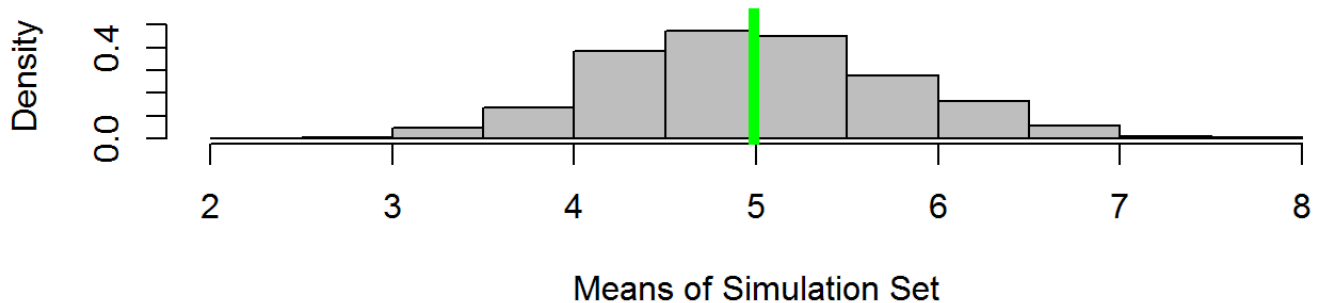
Visualization of Sample Mean versus Theoretical Mean

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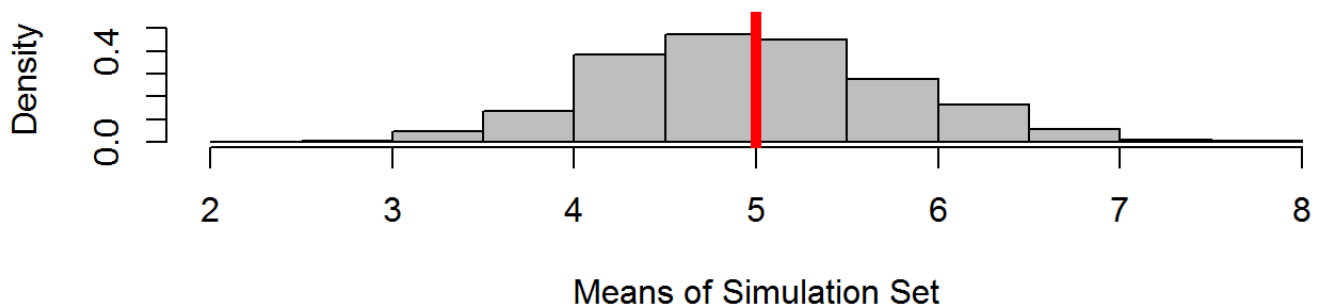
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
hist(mns,probability=T,main=paste('Actual Mean is ',format(round(samp_mean,2),nsmall=2)),ylim=c(0,0.55),col='gray',xlab='Means of Simulation Set')
abline(v=samp_mean,col='green',lwd=5)
hist(mns,probability=T,main=paste('Theoretical Mean is ',format(round(theo_mean,2),nsmall=2)),ylim=c(0,0.55),col='gray',xlab='Means of Simulation Set')
abline(v=theo_mean,col='red',lwd=5)

```

Actual Mean is 4.99



Theoretical Mean is 5.00



Sample Variance versus Theoretical Variance:

Based on the actual values of sample means vector (mns) we can calculate the variance of sample data

```

samp_var<-var(mns)           # Sample variance
samp_var

```

```
## [1] 0.643202
```

The theoretical variance value of an exponentially distributed random variable X with rate parameter λ is given by $((1/\lambda)^2)/n$

```
theo_var<-((1/lambda)^2)/n      # Theoretical variance
theo_var
```

```
## [1] 0.625
```

The difference between actual and theoretical variances is 0.0182

Distribution:

The actual distribution of the sample sets (blue line) is really close to the Normal Standard Distribution (red line)

```
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
hist(scale(mns),probability=T,main='',ylim=c(0,0.5),xlab='')
curve(dnorm(x,0,1),-3,3, col='red',add=T) # Normal distribution with mu = 0 and sd = 1
lines(density(scale(mns)),col='blue')      # Actual distribution
legend(2,0.4,c('Normal','Actual'),cex=0.8,col=c('red','blue'),lty=1)
```

