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## Overview

This is the two part final assignment for Statistical Inference course offered by the Johns Hopkins University on Coursera. The Course is part of the ten course specialization on data science offered by the university.

Part 1: Simulating the exponential distribution in R and then comparing it with the Central Limit Theorem

Part 2: Basic inferential data analysis using the ToothGrowth data in the R datasets package

## Part 1

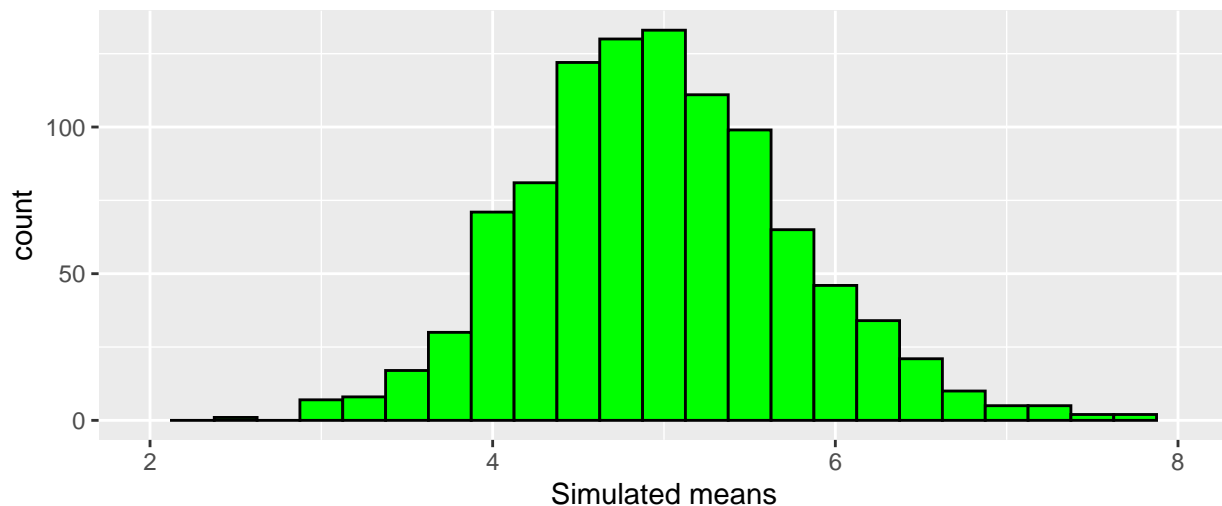
Instructions: The exponential distribution can be simulated in R with `rexp(n, lambda)` where `lambda` is the rate parameter. The mean of exponential distribution is  $1/\lambda$  and the standard deviation is also  $1/\lambda$ . Set `lambda = 0.2` for all of the simulations. You will investigate the distribution of averages of 40 exponentials. Note that you will need to do a thousand simulations.

Running 1000 simulations on distribution averages of 40 exponentials with `lambda = 0.2`

```
n <- 40
set.seed(90)
nosim <- 1000
lambda <- 0.2
sim <- replicate(nosim, rexp(n, lambda))
sim_mean <- apply(sim, 2, mean)
```

```
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```

Distribution of Simulated Means



1. The sample mean and the theoretical mean of the distribution

```
sam_mean <- mean(sim_mean)
sam_mean
```

```
## [1] 4.977191
```

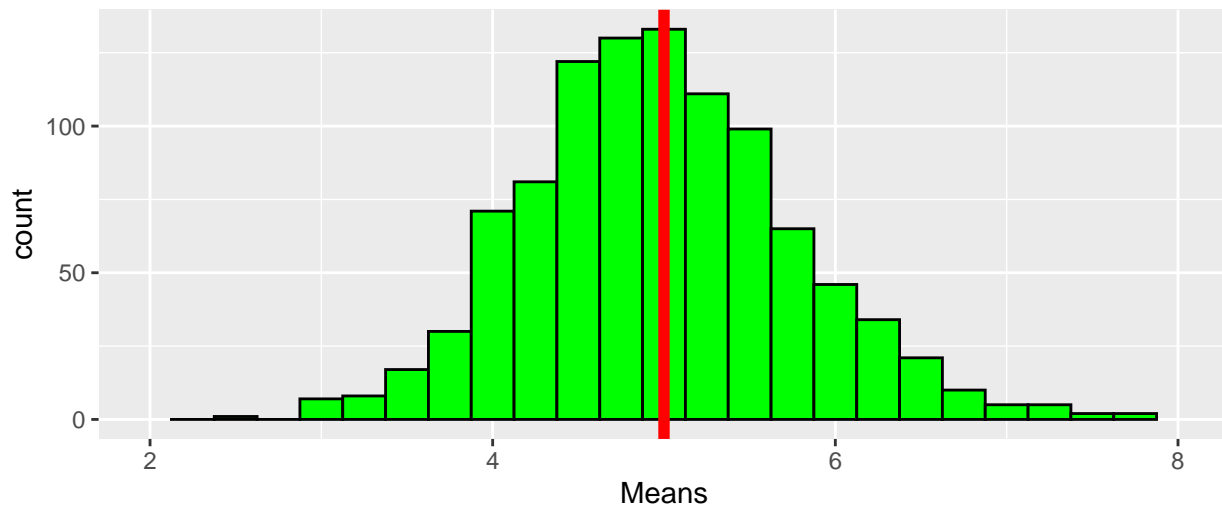
```
theo_mean <- 1/lambda
theo_mean
```

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

Therefore, sample mean = 4.999702 is almost equal to theoretical mean = 5.

```
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```

Sample Mean vs Theoretical Mean



2.The sample variance and the theoretical variance of the distribution

```
sam_var <- var(sim_mean)
sam_var
```

```
## [1] 0.6132061
```

```
sam_sd <- sd(sim_mean)
sam_sd
```

```
## [1] 0.7830748
```

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

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

```
theo_sd <- (1 / lambda)/(sqrt(n))
theo_sd
```

```
## [1] 0.7905694
```

Sample variance = 0.6432422 and sample standard deviation is = 0.8020251. Theoretical variance = 0.625 is closer to the sample variance but slightly smaller. Therefore, the sample displays a comparatively higher variance.

3.To show that the distribution is approximately normal

```
library(ggplot2)
histdata <- data.frame(sim_mean)
g <- ggplot(histdata,aes(x=sim_mean) ) +
  geom_histogram(aes(y= ..density..), color="black" , fill = "yellow", alpha= 0.65 ) + xlim(c(1,9))
```

```

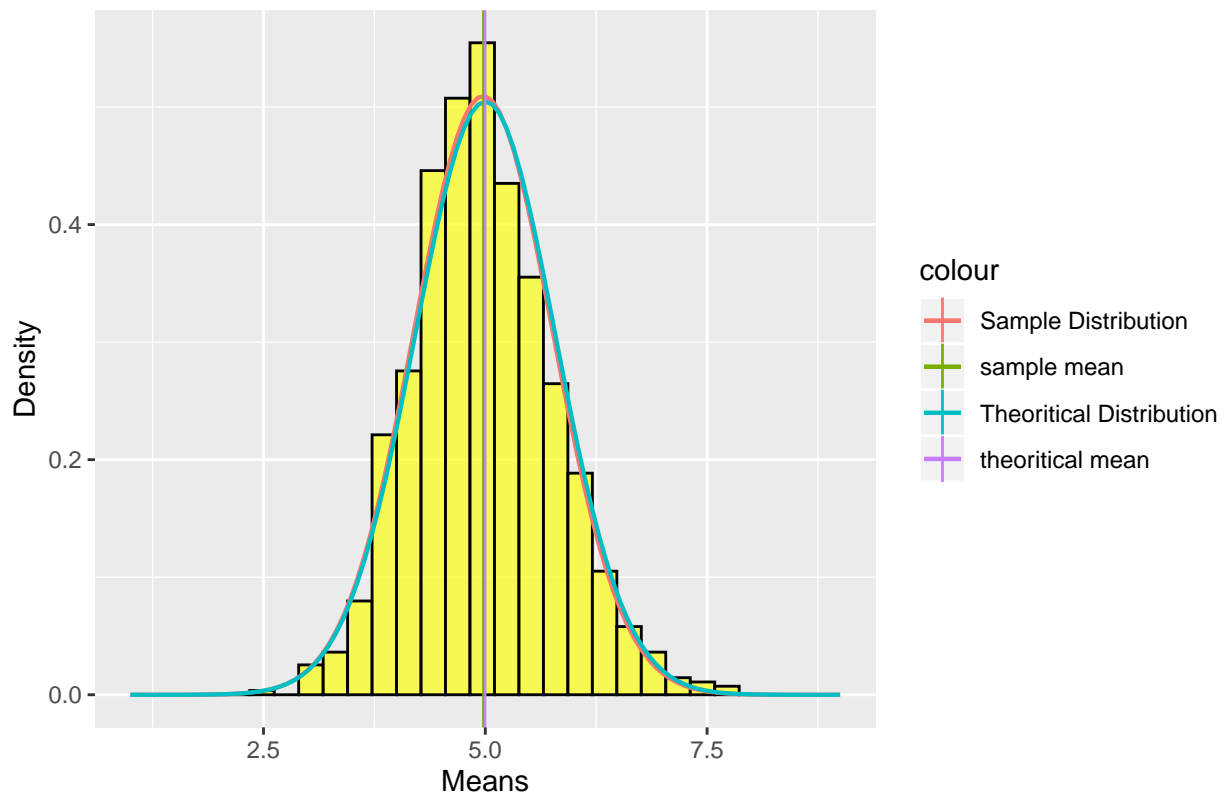
g <- g + labs( title = "Distribution of the Simulated Sample", x= "Means", y= "Density")
g <- g + stat_function(fun = dnorm, args = list(mean = sam_mean, sd = sam_sd), aes(color = "Sample Distribution"))
g <- g + stat_function(fun = dnorm, args = list(mean = theo_mean, sd = theo_sd), aes(color = "Theoretical Distribution"))
g <- g + geom_vline(aes(xintercept = sam_mean, color= "sample mean"), size = 0.40)
g <- g + geom_vline(aes(xintercept = theo_mean, color= "theoretical mean"), size = 0.40)
g

```

```
## `stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```

```
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```

### Distribution of the Simulated Sample



As shown by the diagram, the distribution of the simulated sample follows an approximately normal distribution, and is very similar to the theoretical distribution. The mean of the sample and the theoretical distributions lie closer together, at the approximate midpoint of the distribution. Therefore, the distribution of the mean of 40 exponentials, simulated 1000 times is approximately normal for the given lambda, in line with the Central Limit Theorem which states that “distribution of averages of normalized iid variables becomes that of a standard normal as the sample size increases.”

##Part 2

1. Load the ToothGrowth data, perform some basic exploratory data analyses and provides a basic summary of the data.

Tooth growth data set provides “the length of odontoblasts (teeth) in each of 10 guinea pigs at each of three dose levels of Vitamin C (0.5, 1, and 2 mg) with each of two delivery methods (orange juice or ascorbic acid)” to measure the effect of vitamin C on the toothgrowth of guinea pigs.

```

data(ToothGrowth)
head(ToothGrowth)

```

```
##      len supp dose
## 1  4.2   VC  0.5
## 2 11.5   VC  0.5
## 3  7.3   VC  0.5
## 4  5.8   VC  0.5
## 5  6.4   VC  0.5
## 6 10.0   VC  0.5
```

```
summary(ToothGrowth)
```

```
##           len           supp           dose
## Min.      : 4.20      OJ:30      Min.      :0.500
## 1st Qu.:13.07      VC:30      1st Qu.:0.500
## Median :19.25                        Median :1.000
## Mean    :18.81                        Mean    :1.167
## 3rd Qu.:25.27                        3rd Qu.:2.000
## Max.    :33.90                        Max.    :2.000
```

```
nrow(ToothGrowth)
```

```
## [1] 60
```

```
ncol(ToothGrowth)
```

```
## [1] 3
```

```
str(ToothGrowth)
```

```
## 'data.frame':   60 obs. of  3 variables:
## $ len : num  4.2 11.5 7.3 5.8 6.4 10 11.2 11.2 5.2 7 ...
## $ supp: Factor w/ 2 levels "OJ","VC": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ dose: num  0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 ...
```

The data set has three variables len(mean length of tooth growth), supp(type of suppliment) and dose(dosage of each suppliment). The data set has 60 observations, 60 rows and 3 columns.

```
#convert dose into a factor variable
```

```
ToothGrowth$dose <- as.factor(ToothGrowth$dose)
```

```
#boxplot indicating mean length of tooth growth vs dosage for different suppliment methods
```

```
library(ggplot2)
```

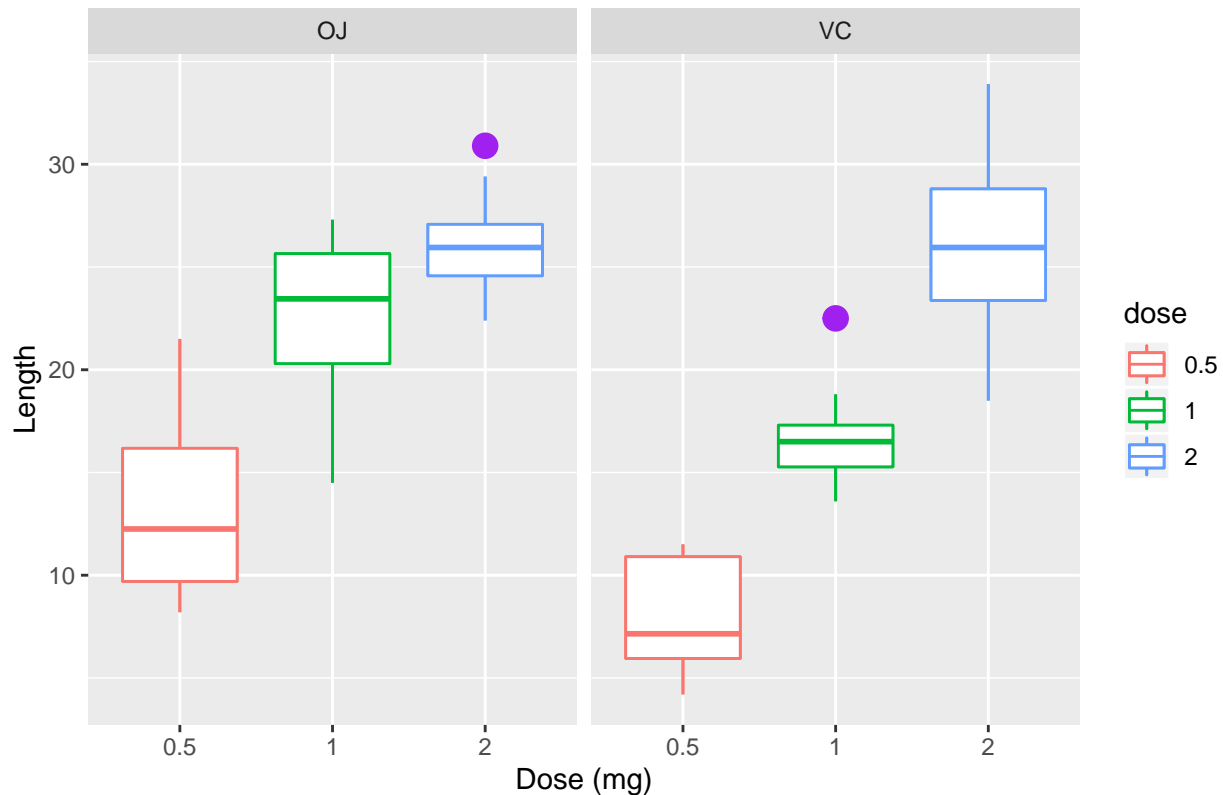
```
g <- ggplot(ToothGrowth, aes(x=dose, y=len, color =dose))+ geom_boxplot(aes(fill = dose))
```

```
g <- g + geom_boxplot(outlier.colour="purple",outlier.size=4) + facet_wrap(~ supp)
```

```
g <- g + labs(title="Toothgrowth data by dosage and suppliment method",x="Dose (mg)", y = "Length")
```

```
g
```

Toothgrowth data by dosage and supplement method



The boxplot shows that as the dosage increases, the mean tooth growth increases. At lower doses, orange juice appears to be a more effective supplement, while at higher dose =2, vitamin C appears to be more effective.

3. Use confidence intervals and/or hypothesis tests to compare tooth growth by supplement and dose.

Hypothesis testing will be used to determine whether the difference between mean tooth growth based on supplement type and dosage is statistically significant.

#### Hypothesis test to compare mean tooth growth by supplement type (orange juice/vitamin C)

Ho: The difference in means equals zero vs HA: The difference in means is not equal to zero.

```
t.test(len~supp, data=ToothGrowth, paired=FALSE)
```

```
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: len by supp
## t = 1.9153, df = 55.309, p-value = 0.06063
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.1710156 7.5710156
## sample estimates:
## mean in group OJ mean in group VC
## 20.66333 16.96333
```

Since p value is greater than 0.05, do not reject the null hypothesis.

## Hypothesis test to compare tooth growth by dose

Difference in mean tooth growth is compared between maximum and minimum doses. From the summary data, it can be seen that the maximum dosage = 2, and minimum dosage = 0.5

Ho: The difference in means equals zero vs HA: The difference in means is not equal to zero.

```
max_dose <- subset(ToothGrowth, ToothGrowth$dose == 02)
min_dose <- subset(ToothGrowth, ToothGrowth$dose == 0.5)
t.test(max_dose$len, min_dose$len, paired = FALSE)

##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: max_dose$len and min_dose$len
## t = 11.799, df = 36.883, p-value = 4.398e-14
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 12.83383 18.15617
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 26.100 10.605
```

Since P value is lower than 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis.

4.State your conclusions and the assumptions needed for your conclusions.

## conclusion

Therefore, as a result of the two hypothesis tests performed, we can conclude that there is no significant difference in tooth growth based on the method of supplement (orange juice or vitamin C). However, there is a significant difference between the mean tooth length based on the dose used.

## Assumptions

The tooth growth data has a continuous, normal distribution, the two samples (for both the supplement methods, and high/low dosages) are independent, random samples.

# Appendix

## Part 1

Code for plot displaying distribution of simulated sample

```
library(ggplot2)
histdata <- data.frame(sim_mean)
g <- ggplot(histdata, aes(x=sim_mean)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = .25, color="black", fill = "green")
g <- g + labs(title = "Distribution of Simulated Means", x = "Simulated means") + xlim(c(2,8))
g
```

Code for plot displaying sample mean Vs theoretical mean

```
library(ggplot2)
histdata <- data.frame(sim_mean)
g <- ggplot(histdata, aes(x=sim_mean)) +
```

```
      geom_histogram( binwidth = .25,color="black" , fill = "green" )  
g <- g + labs( title = "Sample Mean vs Theoritical Mean", x= "Means")+ xlim(c(2,8)) + geom_vline(xinter  
g
```