

# Part 1: Simulation Exercise Instructions

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## Overview

This project is to investigate the exponential distribution in R and compare it with the Central Limit Theorem.

## Simulations

In this part we will set random seed and prepared parameters. After that we simulate exponential random variables 1000 times. Then we get 1000 results for this simulation.

```
set.seed(2018)

lambda <- 0.2
n <- 40
num <- 1000

simulation_result <- matrix(rexp(n = n*num, rate = lambda), nrow = num)
```

## Mean

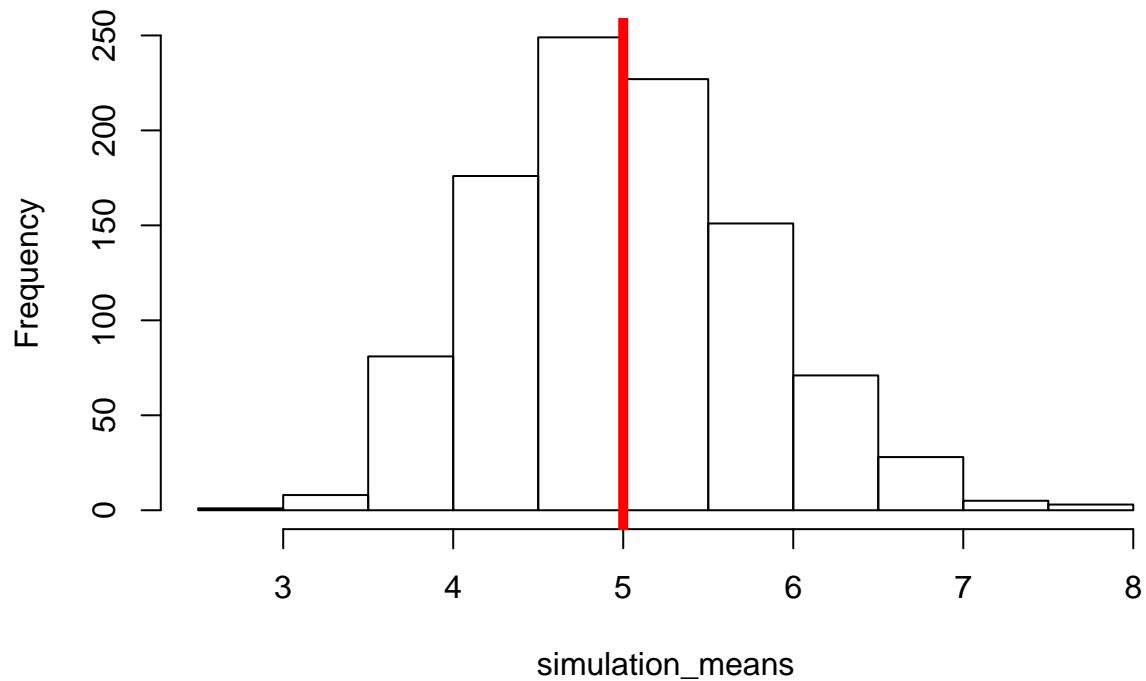
We calculate the mean for each row:

```
simulation_means <- rowMeans(simulation_result)
```

Now we can draw a histogram plot for our simulation means and compare it to the theoretical mean of the distribution( $1/\lambda$ ) which is drawn by a red line:

```
hist(simulation_means)
abline(v = (1/lambda), col = 'red', lwd = 5)
```

## Histogram of simulation\_means

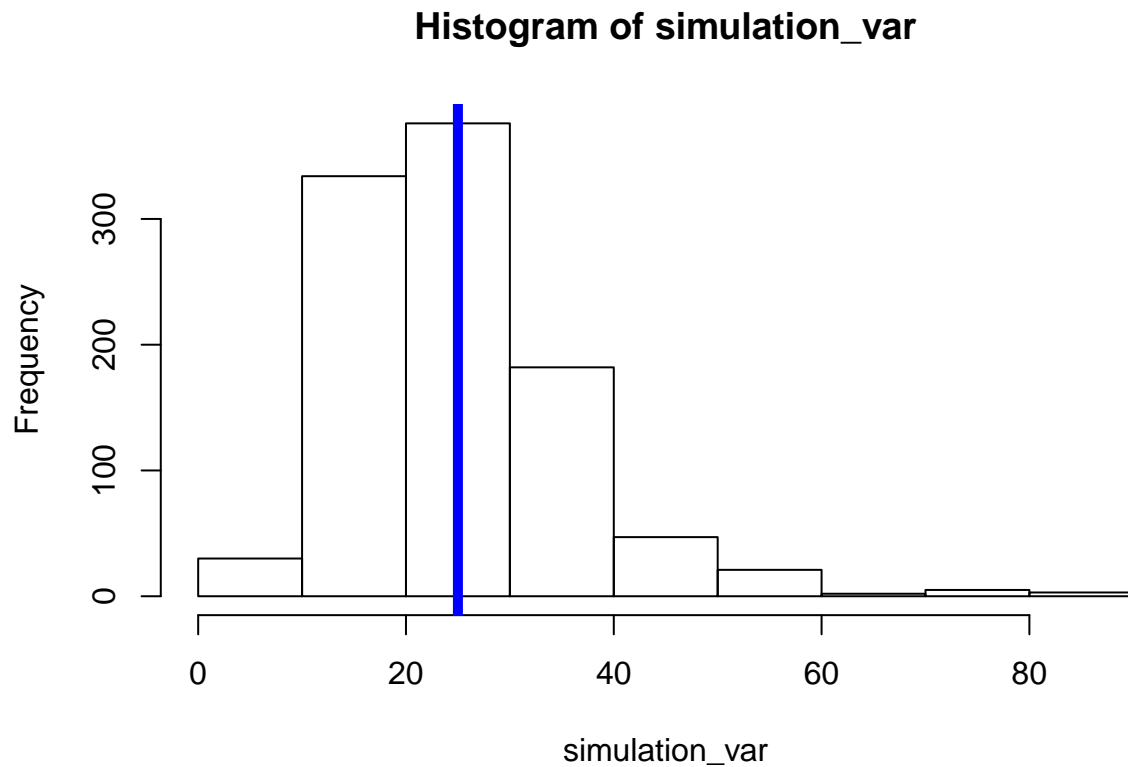


From the plot we can see that the center of simulation means is very close to the theoretical means.

### Variance

Then we calculate the variance and draw histogram to compare the simulation and true variance:

```
simulation_var <- c()
for(i in 1:nrow(simulation_result)){
  s_var <- var(simulation_result[i,])
  simulation_var <- append(simulation_var, s_var)
}
hist(simulation_var)
abline(v = (1/lambda)^2, col = 'blue', lwd = 5)
```



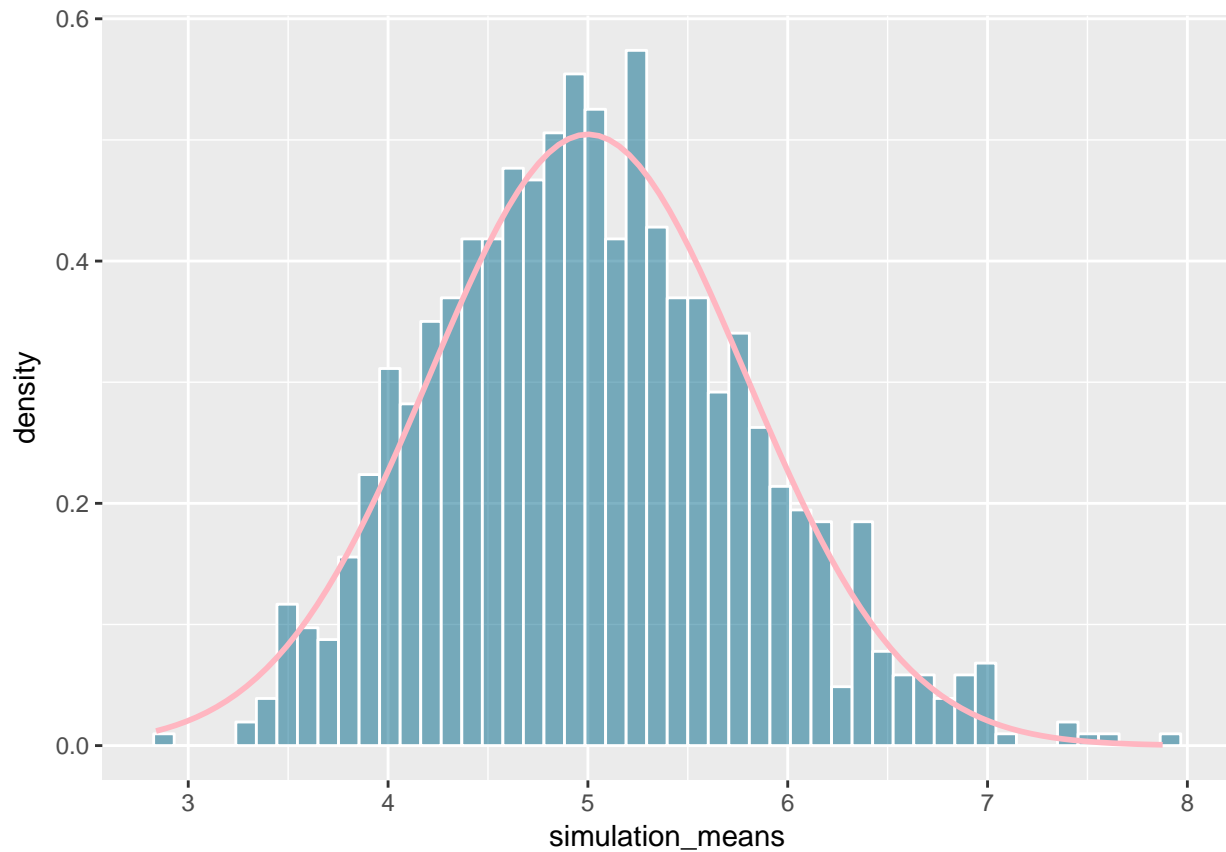
It's obvious to see that the true variance is located in the center of our simulation vars.

### Normality

Now we try to explore whether the mean of simulation is close to normal distribution. First, we draw a histogram plot for simulation means. Then we add a normal distribution which mean is  $1/\lambda$  and standard deviation is  $1/\lambda/\sqrt{n}$ .

```
library(ggplot2)
mean_data <- as.data.frame(simulation_means)

ggplot(data = mean_data, aes(x = simulation_means)) +
  geom_histogram(aes(y = ..density..),
    bins = 50,
    color = 'white',
    alpha = 0.5,
    fill = 'deepskyblue4') +
  stat_function(fun = dnorm,
    args = list(mean = 1/lambda,
      sd = (1/lambda)/sqrt(40)),
    color = 'lightpink',
    size = 1)
```



It's easy to see the distribution of simulate means is very close to theoretical normal distribution from CLT. But we cannot get a precise conclusion. We choose Kolmogorov-Smirnov test for testing the distribution of simulation means and normal distribution:

```
## standard normalize
normal_sim_means <- (simulation_means - mean(simulation_means))/sd(simulation_means)

## KS test
ks.test(normal_sim_means, 'pnorm')

##
## One-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test
##
## data: normal_sim_means
## D = 0.034677, p-value = 0.1804
## alternative hypothesis: two-sided
```

p value is bigger than 0.05, so we cannot reject the  $H_0$  hypothesis: simulation means is normaly. Now we can say this simulate distribution is approximately normal.