

STAT 445 Lab 4
ASSIGNMENT # 4
Due: Lab 5 (at the end)

Question 1. Copy the file ‘`/home/grad/jafar/stat445/assign4.dat`’. The file is also on the course website. It has 500 observations on a single variable ‘*change*’.

- (a) Construct a suitable histogram of *change*.
- (b) Overlay the standard normal density and the t_5 density (with different line types) on the histogram above.
- (c) Construct qqplots of *change* for both normal and t_5 distributions on a single page.
- (d) Which of the two distributions appear to provide a better fit to *change*? Base your comments on both (b) and (c).

Question 2.

- (a) Generate a random sample of size 200 from exponential distribution with population mean 5 (let us call the variable *expon*). Show R codes only.
- (b) Construct a boxplot and a stem-and-leaf plot of *expon*.
- (c) Take a random sample of size 100 with replacement from *expon* (show R codes only). Repeat (b) on the subsample.
- (d) Which do you prefer for describing the distribution of a set of data: a boxplot or a stem-and-leaf plot? Why?