Problem Set 4

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Question 1

Part (a)

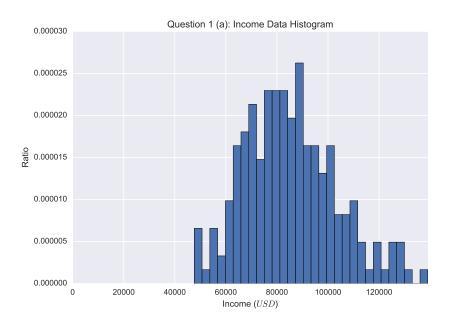


Figure 1: Question 1 (a) histogram

Part (b)

The result of LN_pdf() being run on the test array, with mu = 5, sigma = 1, is:

0.001908 0.001235

0.002175 0.001965

Part (c)

The the two moments, one step SMM estimate of mu = 11.33 and sigma = 0.21, has a criterion function value of 9.83e-14. This gives a very good fit, with moments:

Source	mean	std
data	85276.824	17993
one step	85276.817	17993

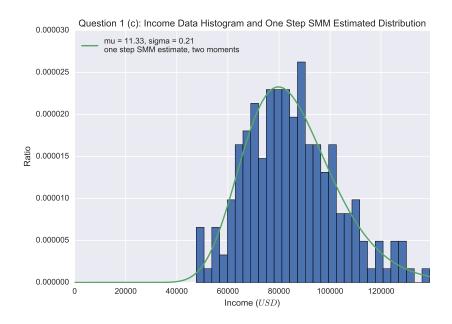


Figure 2: Question 1 (c) plot

Part (d)

The the two moments, two step SMM estimate of mu=11.29 and sigma=0.22, has a criterion function value of 4.26e-02. This gives a worse fit than the first, with moments:

Source	mean	std
data one step two step	85276.824 85276.817 82346.146	17993 17993 18142

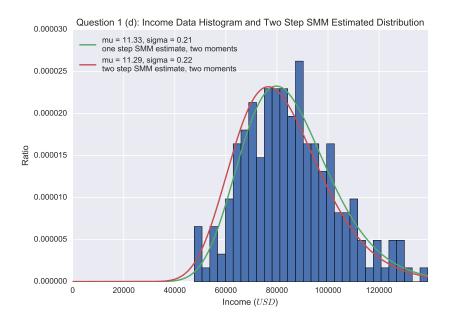


Figure 3: Question 1 (d) plot