

# HW1

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In [5]: import numpy as np
        from scipy import stats
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

        np.random.seed(999)
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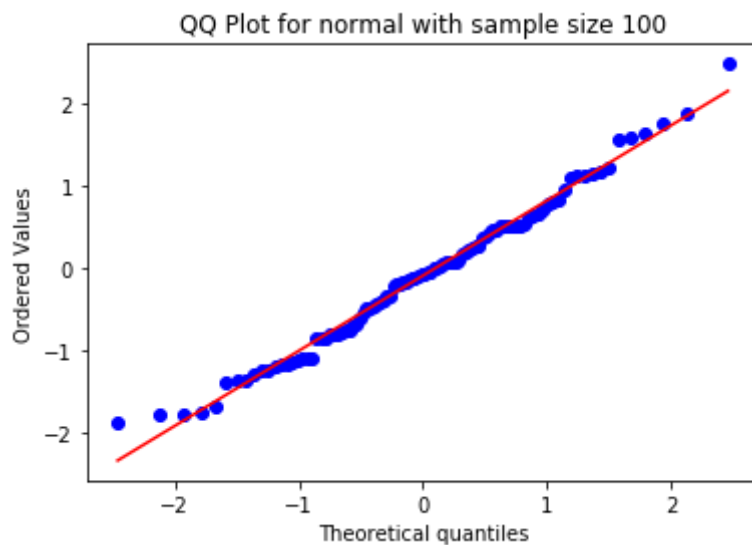
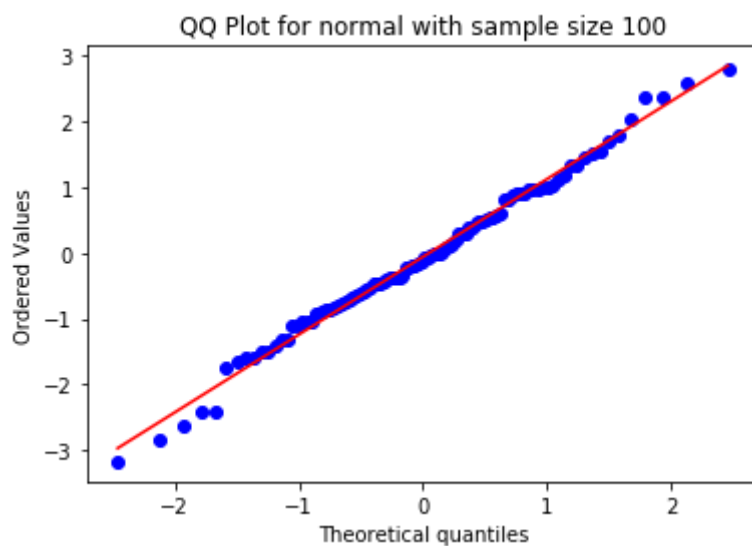
## Q1

From the QQ plot, we can see that with  $n = 100$ , normal random numbers generated via **np.random.rand** are very close to real normal distribution. However, "poor man's generator" performs poorly as the QQ plot deviates significantly from  $y = x$  on two ends of the quantile.

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In [4]: # q1
def normal_qq_plot(n, normal_f):
    rand_nums = normal_f(n)
    fig = plt.figure()
    ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
    res = stats.probplot(rand_nums, plot=ax)
    ax.set_title("QQ Plot for normal with sample size {}".format(n))

def poor_man_normal(n):
    unif_nums = np.random.rand(n, 12)
    return unif_nums.sum(1) - 6.0

normal_qq_plot(100, np.random.randn)
normal_qq_plot(100, poor_man_normal)
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## Q2

We simulate  $n = 10000$  different stock prices at maturity and compute the payoff of the straddle given by  $PayOff = |S_T - K|$ . Price of the straddle is given by  $P = e^{-rT} * 1/n * \sum PayOff_i = 4.646$  and standard deviation is given by  $e^{-rT} * sdv(PayOff_i) / \sqrt{n} = 0.0286$ .

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In [6]: # q2
def sim_straddle(n, S0, K, sigma, r, T):
    sim_S_T = S0 * np.exp((r - sigma**2/2) * T + sigma * sigma**(1/2) * np.r
    sim_disc_pay_off = np.abs(sim_S_T - K) * np.exp(-r * T)
    return sim_disc_pay_off.mean(), sim_disc_pay_off.std() / n**.5

sim_straddle(10000, 100, 100, .1, .05, 1)
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Out[6]: (4.645561394355063, 0.028563921482991143)
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## Q3

We perform the following experiment 100 times: simulate  $n = 10000$  paths of  $N = 52$  weekly stock price and compute the  $Corr(S_T, A)$  and  $Corr(S_T, (A - K)^+)$ . With 100 such observations, we can estimate the standard deviation.

The estimated  $Corr(S_T, A) = 0.871$  with  $sdv = 0.000232$  while the estimated  $Corr(S_T, (A - K)^+) = 0.816$  with  $sdv = 0.0003$ .

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In [12]: # q3
def sim_corr_asian_option(num_experiment, n, N, S0, K, sigma, r, T):
    corr_output_1 = np.zeros(num_experiment)
    corr_output_2 = np.zeros(num_experiment)

    delta_t = T / N
    for i in range(num_experiment):
        rand_nums = np.random.randn(n, N)
        exp_increment = (r - sigma**2/2) * delta_t * np.ones((n, N)) + rand
        exp_cum_sum = np.cumsum(exp_increment, axis=1)
        sim_S_path = S0 * np.exp(exp_cum_sum)
        A = sim_S_path.mean(axis=1)
        corr_output_1[i] = np.corrcoef(A, sim_S_path[:, -1])[0, 1]
        corr_output_2[i] = np.corrcoef(np.maximum(A - K, 0), sim_S_path[:, -1])[0, 1]
    print("Corr(S_T, A), sdv: {}, {}".format(corr_output_1.mean(), corr_output_1.std() / num_experiment**.5))
    print("Corr(S_T, (A-K)+), sdv: {}, {}".format(corr_output_2.mean(), corr_output_2.std() / num_experiment**.5))

sim_corr_asian_option(100, 10000, 52, 100, 100, .1, .05, 1)
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Corr(S_T, A), sdv: 0.871482544349338, 0.00023182912579988645
Corr(S_T, (A-K)+), sdv: 0.815622860771371, 0.00030043264133655797
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## Q4

Q4  
(a)  $F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - (\theta x + 1)^{-1/\theta}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (\theta \geq 0).$

Let  $U = F(x) = 1 - (\theta x + 1)^{-1/\theta}, \quad x \geq 0$

So if generate uniform  $(0,1)$   $U$ , then  $X$  has  $F(x)$  cdf. ( $U \in [0,1]$ )

(b) To ensure  $F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-2x(x-b)/h}, & x \geq \max(0,b) \\ 0, & x < \max(0,b) \end{cases}$  is a valid cdf,

we have  $h > 0$

Let  $U = F(x) = 1 - e^{-2x(x-b)/h}, \quad x \geq \max(0,b)$ , we can solve:

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \left( b + \sqrt{b^2 - 2h \ln(1-U)} \right) \quad (U \in (0,1))$$

when  $b \geq 0, x \geq b$ . when  $b \leq 0$

(c)  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du = \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan x \Big|_{-\infty}^x = \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan(x) + \frac{1}{2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$

Let  $U = F(x) \Rightarrow x = \tan\left((U - \frac{1}{2})\pi\right), \quad U \in (0,1).$