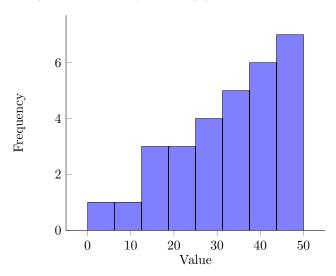
Math 343 - Homework 2

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Question 1

Data with a rightward skew would produce a normal probability plot with a positive curvature. Below is an example of a histogram that would produce a positively curved normal probability plot.



Question 2

Question 3

a)

Test

Null hypothesis H_0 : $\sigma_1 / \sigma_2 = 1$ Alternative hypothesis H_1 : $\sigma_1 / \sigma_2 \neq 1$ Significance level $\alpha = 0.05$

Figure 1: The output of the test for two variances from Minitab.

Since the P-value $> \alpha$ we can conclude the following. There is enough statistical evidence to support the hypothesis that both of the variances are equal.

b)

Test

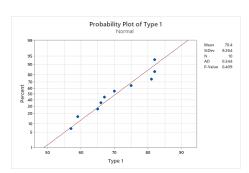
 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Null hypothesis} & \mbox{H}_0\colon \mu_1 - \mu_2 \, = \, 0 \\ \mbox{Alternative hypothesis} & \mbox{H}_1\colon \mu_1 - \mu_2 \, \neq \, 0 \end{array}$

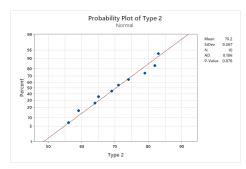
T-Value DF P-Value 0.05 18 0.962

Figure 2: The output of the two sample t test from Minitab. Assuming equal variances.

Since the P-value = $0.962 > \alpha$ we can conclude the following. There is enogh statistical evidence to support the hypothesis that the two means are equal.

c)





- (a) Minitab output showing the probability plot of type 1.
- (b) Minitab output showing the probability plot of type 2.

Note that for both Type 1 and Type 2, the hypothesis we will test is as follows,

 H_0 : The data are drawn from a normal distribution.

 H_a : The data are not drawn from a normal distribution.

Type 1 Since the P-value = $0.409 > \alpha$ we can conclude the following. The evidence of the data is consistent with the hypothesis that the data are drawn from a normal distribution.

Type 2 Similarly, since the P-value = $0.876 > \alpha$ we can conclude the following. The evidence of the data is consistent with the hypothesis that the data are drawn from a normal distribution.

Question 4

Question 5

Question 6

Question 7

Question 8