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### Homework #1

#### Data Set #1

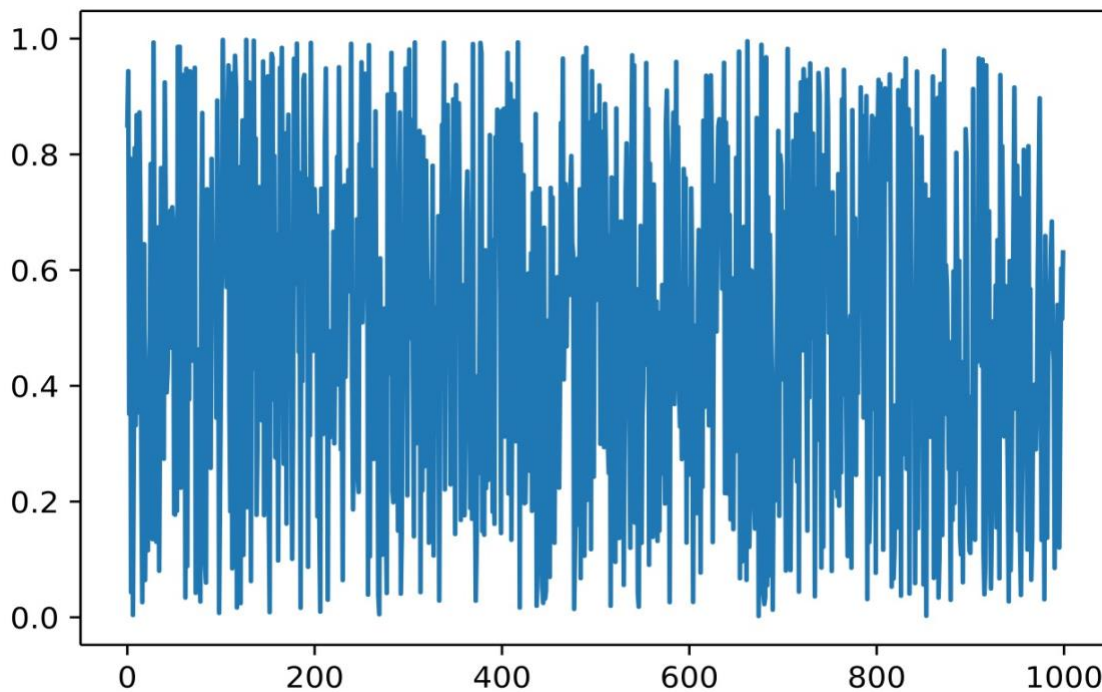


Figure 1. Plot of First Dataset: Time series data of points

By eye, it is hard to estimate an exact value of mean and standard deviation due to the fluctuations of the plotted data. However, based on the graph created, I would have to say that the mean is close to 0.5 as the distribution seems to have a relatively similar number of maximums and minimums with a lot of points generally around the value of 0.5. The standard deviation is also hard to estimate by eye. Using the central limit theorem (since we have a large data set) and what we know about normality, the addition and subtraction of the standard deviation will encapsulate about 68% of the data of the entire data set. As a result, I estimate the standard deviation to be around 0.23.

Mean of data = 0.5008547564015497

Standard Deviation of data = 0.28294102378178476

Comparing the computed standard deviation and mean produced with those that were estimated through eyeballing. The numbers are actually relatively similar to what was calculated indicating that my reasoning to the eyeball estimates based off the graph were relatively effective.

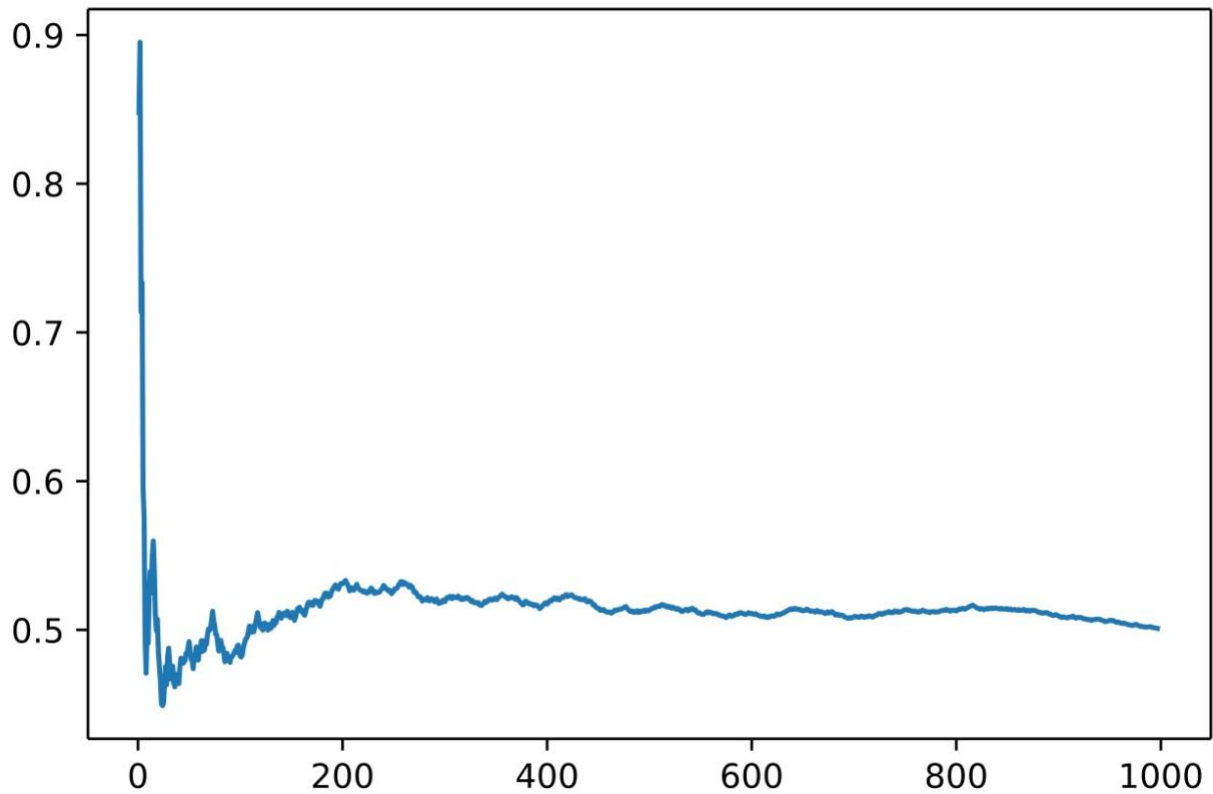


Figure 2. Plot of mean of data set vs cutoff of the number of points

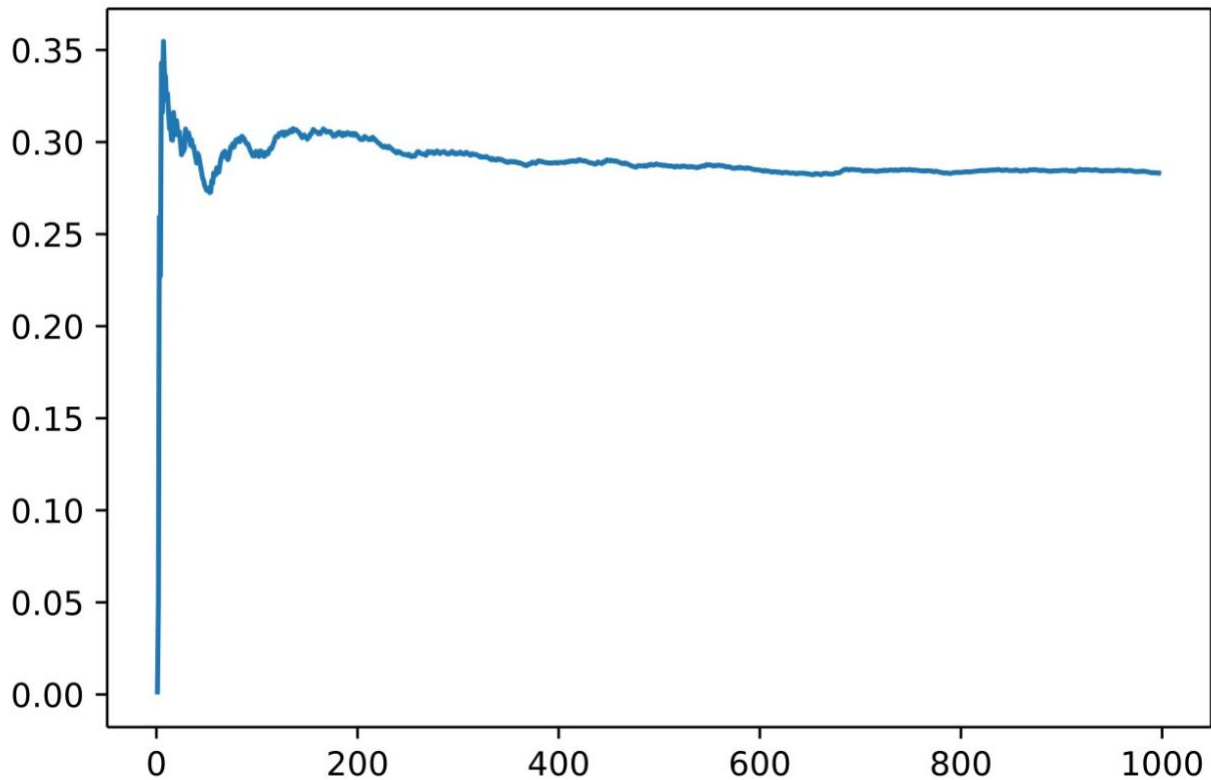


Figure 3. Plot of standard deviation of data set vs the cutoff number of data points used

Based on the graphs, the first 100 points will give a mean of approximately 0.48 and standard deviation of 0.27. As the cutoff of the number of points decrease it becomes apparent that the mean and standard deviation of the data set begins to approach somewhat of a limit with more and more points of data.

#### Data set #2

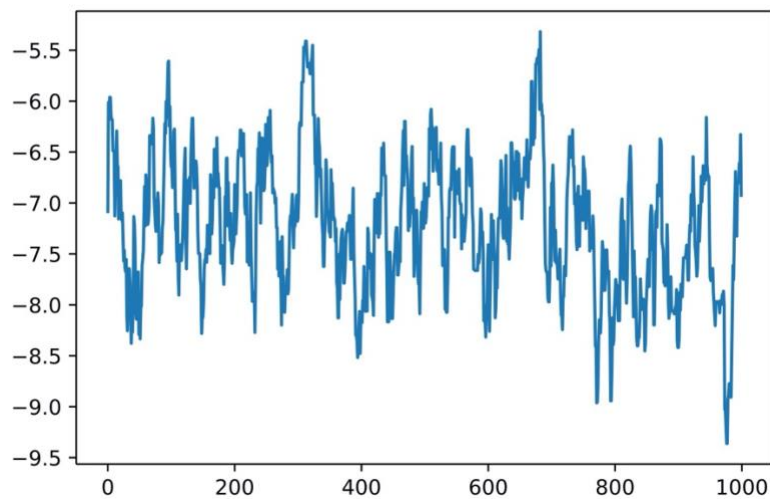


Figure 4. Plot of Time series data given by data set #2

Based on the graph above, the estimated correlation was 14 and the calculated value was 17.530834318271747 which indicates a percent error of ... between the values.

Accounted correlation mean error = 0.021359134950472643

Unaccounted correlation mean error = 0.08943035451115007

Based on the values calculated above the mean error is larger when the correlation is not accounted

### Data set #3

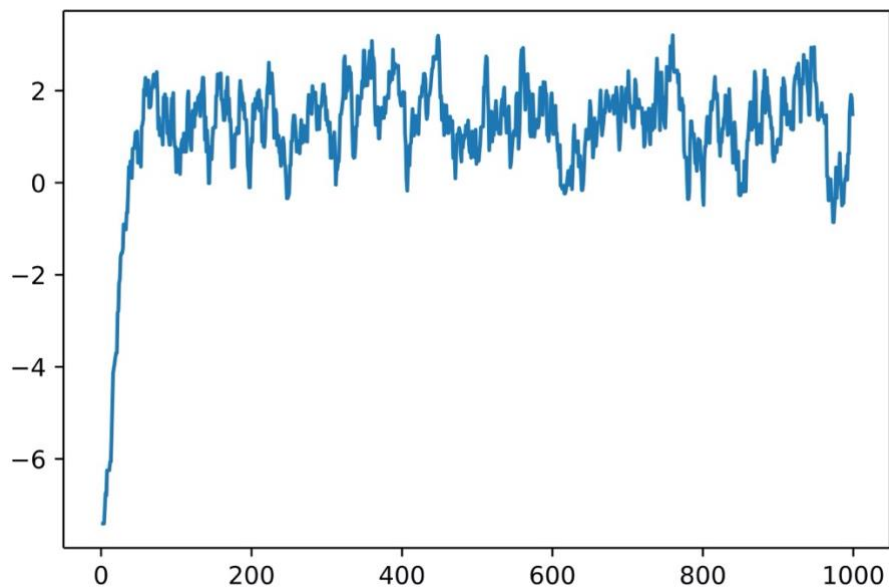


Figure 5. Plot of Time series data given by data set 3

#### **Without Cutoff**

Mean = 1.1445021326705114

Standard Error of the mean = 0.22031785960176142

Based on the graph, the initial cutoff should be around 60 points in order to get rid of outliers.

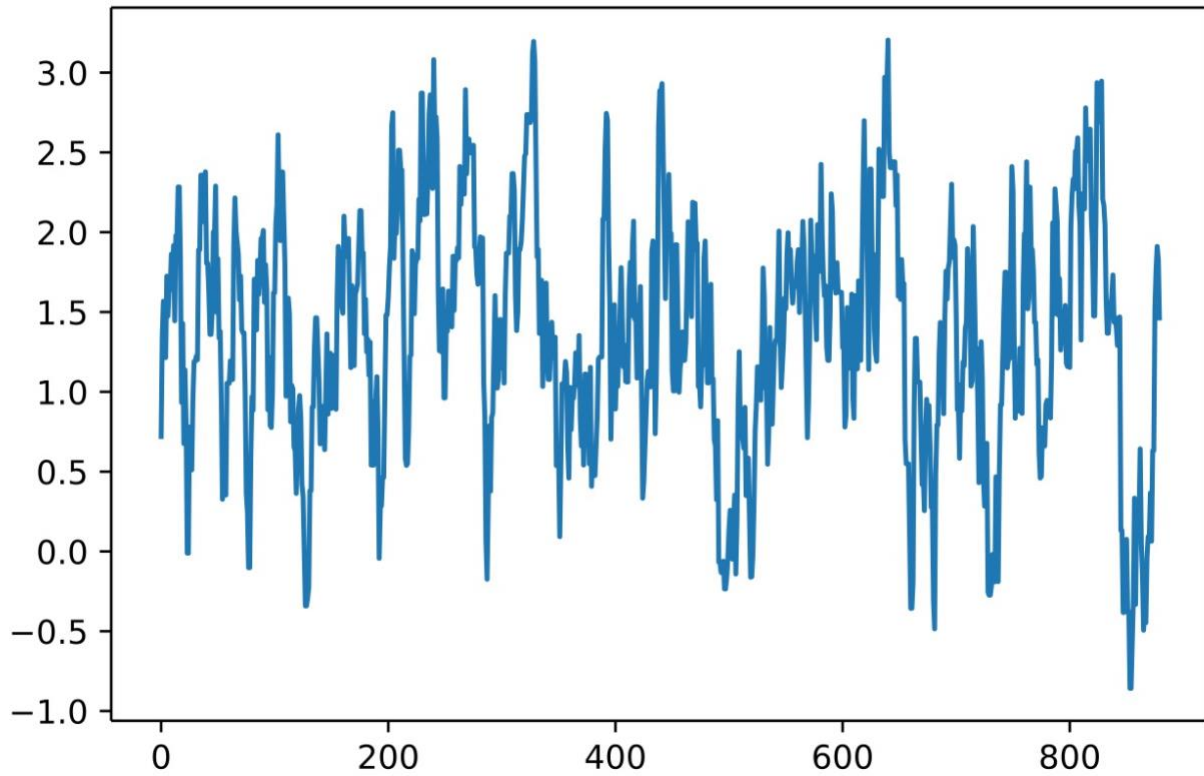


Figure 6. Plot of Revised data

By cutting off the initial outlier from the data the new mean and mean error was found to be 1.3545941304427673 and 0.09766396407896263 for mean and mean error respectively.

Data set #4

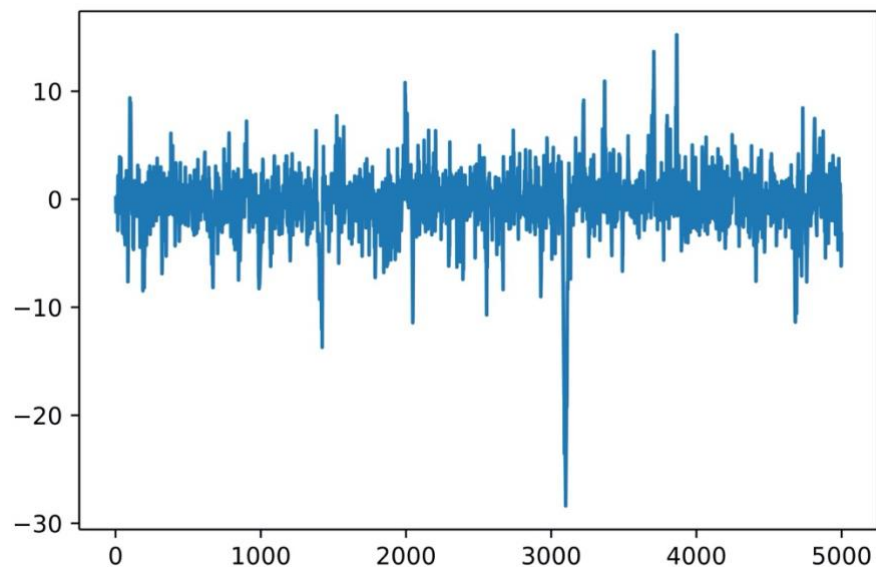


Figure 7. Plot of Times Series data given by data set 4

Based on the graph above the and the analytical expression shown, I expect the mean to reside around -5. This should also be influenced by the large negative outliers. At large  $x$ , values the variance is expected to decrease considering the equation given should converge.

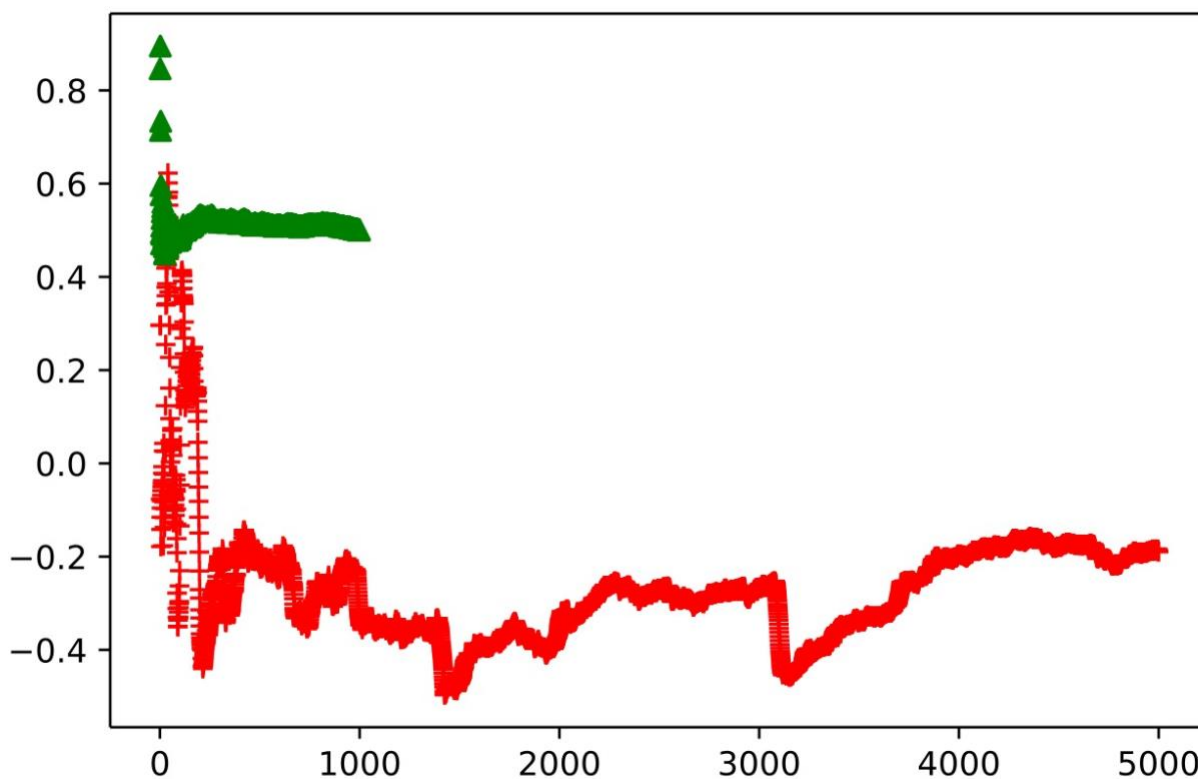
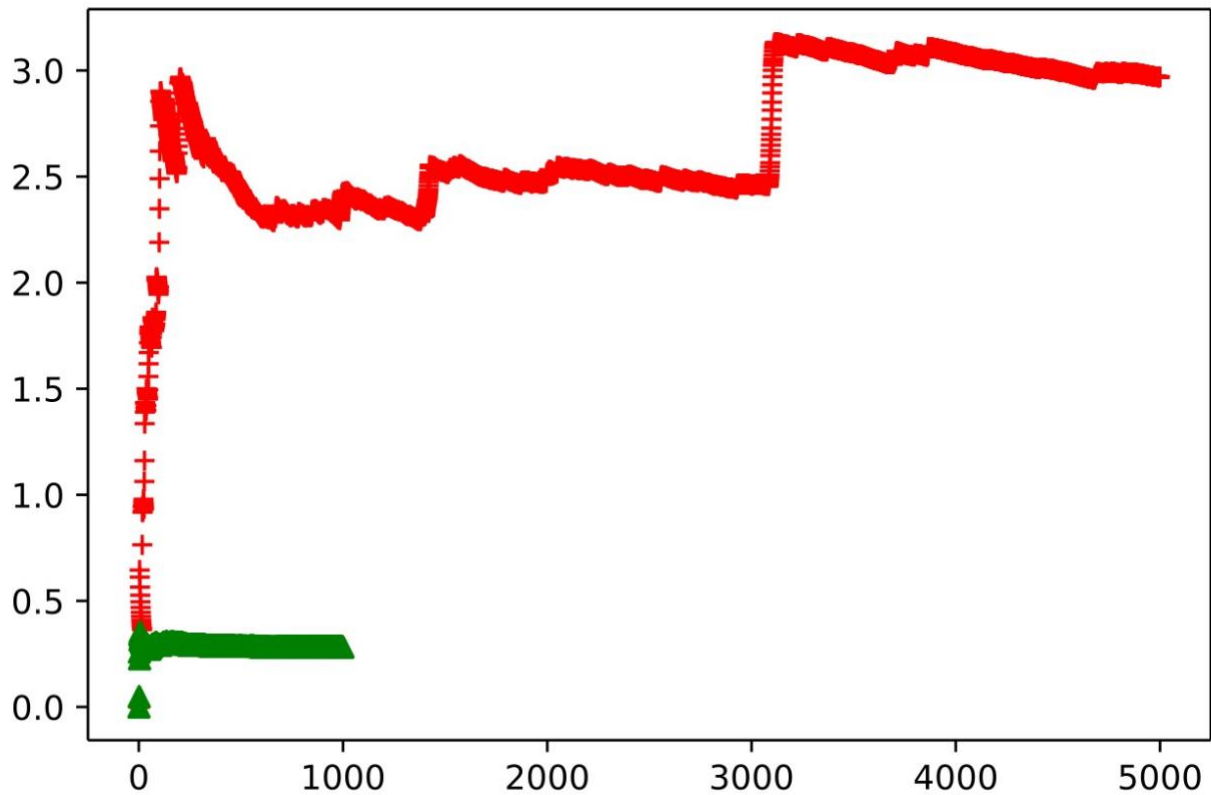


Figure 8. Mean vs cutoff for dataset #1(green triangles) and dataset #2(red plus)



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#estimate of the difference
C = abs(statistics.mean(B) - statistics.mean(A))
print(C)
#estimate of the error of the difference
D = math.sqrt((my_stderr(A)**2) + (my_stderr(B)**2))
print(D)
print(C/D)
#The t-statistic ----> 1.0550190358247307
#Normal Probability is 71% meaning tail ends are the wanted 29%
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Performing the calculations stated by the homework provides us with a t statistic of 1.0550190358247307 this can then be used to find the probability distribution from the normal curve which is 71%. However, due to the nature of this question, we are interested in the tails and thus  $1 - 0.71 = 0.29$  or 29% of data coming from the same population.