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> #Solutions to S-Plus Worksheet 4.
> #Exercise 1
> x <- seq(-3,3,0.01)
> y <- exp(-abs(x))
> plot(x,y,type="l",ylab="f(x)")
> title("Plot of the double exponential function in the range [-3, 3]")
># Exercise 2
> # First save the data PROB3.8.csv to you working directory from Wattle and read in
> #Then read the file into a dataframe
> mussels <- read.csv("PROB3.8.csv",header=F, col.names=c("location","age","weight"))
> attach(mussels)
> # Use logical expressions to subset the vectors
> age.l1 <- age[location==1]</pre>
> weight.l1 <- weight[location==1]
> age.l2 <- age[location==2]
> weight.l2 <- weight[location==2]</pre>
> # create the output file
> plot(age.l2, weight.l2, type="b", pch="2", xlab="Age", ylab="Weight")
> lines(age.l1, weight.l1, type="b", pch="1", lty=2)
> title("Growth Characteristics of Mussels\nSouthwestern Virginia, USA")
> text(c(17,14),c(3.5,11), c("Location 1", "Location 2"))
> # This plots the two sets of points and "joins the dots", which
> # is a sensible approach in this instance, as the data is sorted by age
> # within each location:
> reg.l1 <- lsfit(age.l1,weight.l1)</pre>
> reg.l2 <- lsfit(age.l2,weight.l2)
> plot(age.l2, weight.l2, pch="2", xlab="Age", ylab="Weight")
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> points(age.l1, weight.l1, pch="1")
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- > abline(reg.l1\$coef)
- > abline(reg.l2\$coef,lty=2)
- > title("Growth Characteristics of Mussels\nSouthwestern Virginia, USA")
- > text(c(17,14),c(3.5,11), c("Location 1", "Location 2"))
- > # Both locations show an increasing relationship between weight and age,
- > # ie. mussels increase in weight as they get older. The mussels at
- > # location 2 generally increase in weight faster than at location 1.
- > #Exercise 3
- > x <- rnorm(50)
- > median(x)
- [1] -0.1442079
- > mean(x)
- [1] -0.1839359
- > x[1] < -x[1] + 100
- > median(x)
- [1] -0.06532474
- > mean(x)
- [1] 1.816064
- > # The median is only slightly affected by the addition of such a
- > # distinct outlier, however the mean is definitely affected.
- > # Note the above are only typical results, the results will change
- > # slightly each time you repeat this simulation exercise!
- > means.from.normal <- rep(0, 100)
- > medians.from.normal <- rep(0, 100)
- > means.from.cauchy <- rep(0, 100)
- > medians.from.cauchy <- rep(0, 100)

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> for(i in 1:100) {
+ x <- rnorm(50)
+ y <- rcauchy(50)
+ means.from.normal[i] <- mean(x)
+ medians.from.normal[i] <- median(x)
+ means.from.cauchy[i] <- mean(y)
+ medians.from.cauchy[i] <- median(y)}
> # Generating histograms, means and standard deviations. R makes it easy to combine multiple
#plots into one overall graph, using either the
> #par( ) or layout( ) function. With the par( ) function, you can include the option mfrow=c(nrows,
#ncols) to create a matrix of nrows x ncols plots that are filled in by row:
> par(mfrow=c(2,2))
> hist(means.from.normal)
> hist(medians.from.normal)
> hist(means.from.cauchy)
> hist(medians.from.cauchy)
> mean(means.from.normal)
[1] -0.003407404
> mean(medians.from.normal)
[1] -0.00541422
> mean(means.from.cauchy)
[1] 0.8033338
> mean(medians.from.cauchy)
[1] -0.03417571
> median(means.from.normal)
[1] -0.01204789
> median(medians.from.normal)
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[1] -0.01106449

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> median(means.from.cauchy)
[1] -0.1019886
> median(medians.from.cauchy)
[1] -0.03970603
> sqrt(var(means.from.normal))
[1] 0.1376985
> sqrt(var(medians.from.normal))
[1] 0.1697628
> sqrt(var(means.from.cauchy))
[1] 11.15454
> sqrt(var(medians.from.cauchy))
[1] 0.2190563
> # All the above show that only the means of the samples from the cauchy
> # distribution are affected by the presence of outliers in the cauchy
> # distribution. The median is robust against the presence of these outliers.
> #Exercise 4
> # Using the "betachng()" function which was developed in Worksheet 3:
> betajck <- function(resp,pred) {
+ diff <- rep(0, length(resp))
+ n <- length(resp)
+ for(i in 1:n) {
+ diff[i] <- betachng(resp,pred,i)[2]}
+ (n-1)*mean(diff)}
> # To generalise this function, we would have to allow the user to pass in
> # their estimator, "theta()", as an argument to the function, so the
> # first line of the function would read:
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> jcknfe <- function(data, theta) {
+ ##Also, we would have to replace the line with the "betachng()" function by:
+ diff[i] <- theta(data)-theta(data[-i])
+ ## So, the general jackknife function would look like:
> jcknfe <- function(data,theta) {</pre>
+ diff <- rep(0, length(data))
+ n <- length(data)
+ for(i in 1:n) {
+ diff[i] <- theta(data)-theta(data[-i])}
+ (n-1)*mean(diff)
+ }
#example
x < -c(1,2,3,4)
> theta<-function(x){
+ y=mean(x)
+ y
+ }
> jcknfe(x,theta)
# Of course, this will only work if the input data is a vector. Try and
+ # think how you might modify the function even further to allow for either
+ # vector or matrix data input.
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