

# AUA CS108, Statistics, Fall 2020

## Lecture 13

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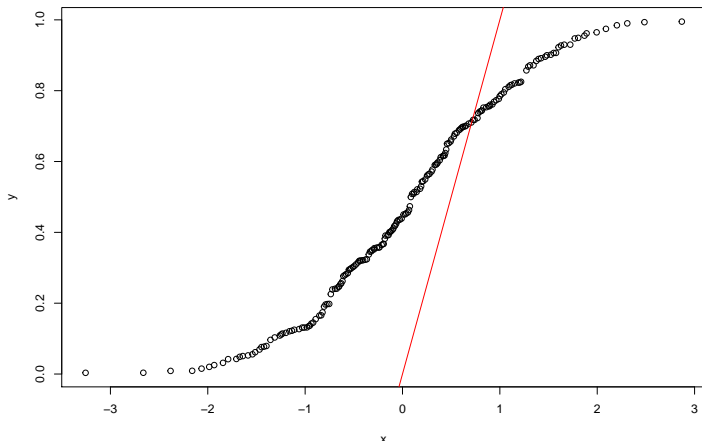
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**Idea:** If  $x$  and  $y$  are coming from the same Distribution, then the Quantiles of  $x$  and  $y$  need to be approximately the same,  $q_\alpha^x \approx q_\alpha^y$ , so geometrically, the points  $(q_\alpha^x, q_\alpha^y)$  need to be close to the bisector line.

## Example, Q-Q Plots, Data vs Data

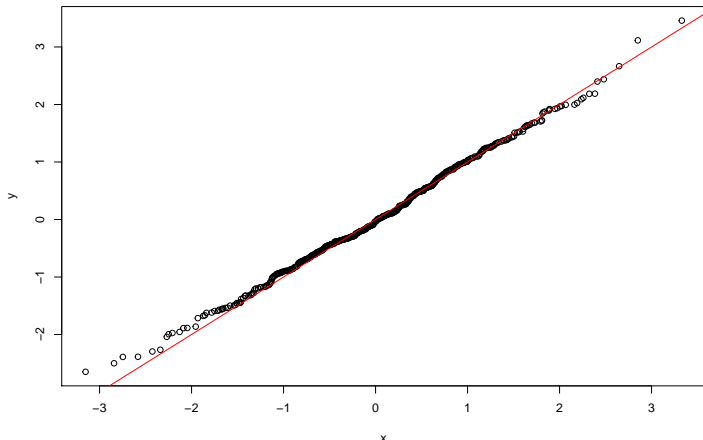
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```
x <- rnorm(1000)
y <- rnorm(500)
qqplot(x,y)
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## Example, Q-Q Plot by Hands, Data vs Data

**Example:** Assume

$$x : -1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1 \quad y : 0, 3, 4, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2$$

Draw the Q-Q Plot for  $x$  and  $y$ .