Homework 4

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Problem 4.3 Use any method of your choice to generate $N=10^5$ normally distributed random numbers G_i with given mean $\mu=0$ and variance $\sigma^2=9$.

(1): Sort your G_i numbers generated above in 12 groups $(-\infty, -5], (-5, -4], ..., (5, \infty)$ and count the number of the G_i numbers in each group and record them as $n_1, n_2, ..., n_{12}$ respectively.

(2): Use the numbers obtained in Part 1 to form a table with 12 entries (as suggested below)

x	P(x)
-5.5	n_1
-4.5	n_2
-3.5	n_3
-2.5	n_4
-1.5	n_5
-0.5	n_6
0.5	n_7
1.5	n_8
2.5	n_9
3.5	n_{10}
4.5	n_{11}
5.5	n_{12}

Next, compute $Q(x) = \ln P(x)$ for the 12 values of P(x). Fit the 12 pairs of x vs. Q(x) to a function

$$Q(x) = c_1 + c_2 x^2$$

• A copy of the source code of the program is provided below. To reduce the length, class and method comments are not shown but are in Problem3.java.

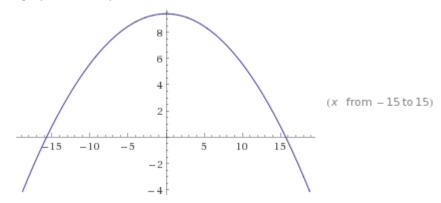
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import java.util.HashMap;
import org.apache.commons.math3.linear.Array2DRowRealMatrix;
import org.apache.commons.math3.linear.LUDecomposition;
import org.apache.commons.math3.linear.RealMatrix;
public class Problem3
       public static final int N = 100000; // GIVEN
       public static void main(String[] args)
               // CREATE A NEW DISTRIBUTION WITH mean = 0 AND variance = 9
               Distribution d = new Distribution (0, 9, N);
               double[] num = d.getValues();
                // USE A HASHTABLE TO COUNT THE NUMBER OF THE G i NUMBERS IN EACH GROUP
               HashMap<Double, Integer> count = new HashMap<Double, Integer>(12);
               // SET THE KEYS OF THE HASHTABLE ALONG WITH A DEFAULT 0 COUNT
               for (double key = -5.5; key <= 5.5; key++)
                       count.put(key, 0);
                // SORT THE G i NUMBERS INTO 12 GROUPS
               for (int i = \overline{0}; i < \text{num.length}; i++)
                       if (num[i] <= -5)
                               count.put(-5.5, count.get(-5.5)+1);
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else if (num[i] <= -4)
                       count.put(-4.5, count.get(-4.5)+1);
               else if (num[i] \le -3)
                       count.put(-3.5, count.get(-3.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= -2)
                       count.put(-2.5, count.get(-2.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= -1)</pre>
                       count.put(-1.5, count.get(-1.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 0)</pre>
                       count.put(-0.5, count.get(-0.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 1)</pre>
                       count.put(0.5, count.get(0.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 2)
                       count.put(1.5, count.get(1.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 3)
                       count.put(2.5, count.get(2.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 4)
                       count.put(3.5, count.get(3.5)+1);
                else if (num[i] <= 5)
                       count.put(4.5, count.get(4.5)+1);
                       count.put(5.5, count.get(5.5)+1);
        }
        // CALCULATE Q(x) = lnP(x)
        double[] q = new double[12];
        q[0] = functionQ(count.get(-5.5));
        q[1] = functionQ(count.get(-4.5));
        q[2] = functionQ(count.get(-3.5));
        q[3] = functionQ(count.get(-2.5));
        q[4] = functionQ(count.qet(-1.5));
        q[5] = functionQ(count.get(-0.5));
        q[6] = functionQ(count.get(0.5));
        q[7] = functionQ(count.get(1.5));
        q[8] = functionQ(count.get(2.5));
        q[9] = functionQ(count.get(3.5));
        q[10] = functionQ(count.get(4.5));
        q[11] = functionQ(count.get(5.5));
        // DISPLAY THE TABLE OF VALUES
        display(count, q);
        ^{\prime\prime} INITIALIZE AND DECLARE THE VALUES OF x TO BE USED IN CURVE FITTING
        double[] x = \{-5.5, -4.5, -3.5, -2.5, -1.5, -0.5, 0.5, 1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 5.5\};
        // FIT THE GRAPH INTO Q(x) = c1 + c2x^2
        fit(x, q);
}
public static void fit(double[] x, double[] y)
        // CALCULATE THE 3x3 MATRIX ON THE LHS
        double[][] a = new double[3][3];
        for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)</pre>
               a[0][0] = x.length;
               a[0][1] += x[i];
               a[0][2] += x[i]*x[i];
               a[1][0] += x[i];
               a[1][1] += x[i]*x[i];
               a[1][2] += x[i]*x[i]*x[i];
               a[2][0] += x[i]*x[i];
               a[2][1] += x[i]*x[i]*x[i];
               a[2][2] += x[i]*x[i]*x[i]*x[i];
        }
        // CALCULATE THE RHS
        double[] b = new double[3];
        for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)</pre>
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b[0] += y[i];
               b[1] += x[i]*y[i];
               b[2] += x[i]*x[i]*y[i];
       // TRANSFORM THE SQUARE MATRIX INTO A RealMatrix OBJECT
       RealMatrix m = new Array2DRowRealMatrix(a);
       // INVERT m USING LU DECOMPOSITION
       RealMatrix mInverse = new LUDecomposition(m).getSolver().getInverse();
       // MULTIPLY THIS INVERSE WITH b
       double[] coef = mInverse.preMultiply(b);
       System.out.printf("The equation is Q(x) = %.4f + %.4fx^2.", coef[0], coef[2]);
public static double functionQ(double px)
       return Math.log(px);
public static void display(HashMap<Double, Integer> map, double[] q)
       System.out.println(" x | P(x)
                                            | \text{tQ}(x)");
       System.out.println("-5.5 | " + map.get(-5.5) + "\t| " + q[0]);
       System.out.println("-4.5 | " + map.get(-4.5) + "\t| " + q[1]);
       System.out.println("-3.5
                                  " + map.get(-3.5) + "\t| " + q[2]);
       System.out.println("-2.5 |
                                  " + map.get(-2.5) + "\t| " + q[3]);
       System.out.println("-1.5 | " + map.get(-1.5) + "\t| " + q[4]);
       System.out.println("-0.5 | " + map.get(-0.5) + "\t| " + q[5]);
       System.out.println(" 0.5 |
                                  " + map.get(0.5) + "\t| " + q[6]);
       System.out.println(" 1.5 | " + map.get(1.5) + "\t| " + g[7]);
       System.out.println(" 2.5 | " + map.get(2.5) + "\t| " + q[8]);
       System.out.println(" 3.5 \mid " + map.get(3.5) + "\t| " + q[9]);
       System.out.println(" 4.5 | " + map.get(4.5) + "\t| " + q[10]);
       System.out.println(" 5.5 | " + map.get(5.5) + "\t| " + q[11]);
}
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• When run, the program will produce the following result:

• The graph of the equation is shown below:



• This program uses Apache's math library with linear algebra functions found in http://commons.apache.org/math/download_math.cgi. It was used to fit the points in the equation Q(x). The program also uses the Distribution class which I've created to represent normally distributed n values with the given mean and variance. (So, to create a standard normal distribution, the mean should be 0 and variance 1). I used a hash table to bucket sort the numbers generated by my Distribution class. Fitting the curve into the equation required the use of matrices to implement the least square method.

<u>Problem 4.4 Mr. R. N. Stupid bought \$20,000 worth of LousyCompany.com's stocks precisely one year ago.</u> Assume he has gone through 52 weeks of trading with exactly five trading days each. Therefore, he has gone through 260 trading days. The change rate of Mr. Stupid's stock from the previous day for the entire year follows a Normal Distribution with values with mean $\mu = -1\%$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 1.04\%$. The Normal distribution formula is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \times e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Please do the following:

- (1). Compute Mr. Stupid's stock value at the end of each of the 260 trading days. Show the results in a table and a graph;
- (2). Do the same as in (1) if the stock varies from the previous day with the same variance as in (1) and $\mu = -2\%$;
- (3). Do the same as in (1) if the stock changes from the previous day with the same variance as in (1) and $\mu = 1\%$;
- (4). Show the results in a table and a graph. The table may look like the following and putting three curves in one graph is a neat idea:

Day	Stock Value for	Stock Value for	Stock Value for
	Scheme 1	Scheme 2	Scheme 3
1			
2			
260			

(5) Repeat (1)-(4) above if the variance is $\sigma^2=0.114\%$.

• The source code of the driver class is below and can be found in Problem4.java.

```
* This program prints 260 stock-day values in different schemes. Each scheme
 * varies in mean and variance. The stock values are determined using a
 * normally distributed stock exchange rate.
 * @author Dinia Gepte
 * Homework 4, AMS 326, Fall 2012
public class Problem4
       public static final int N = 260;
                                          // NUMBER OF DAYS
       public static final int initStock = 20000; // INITIAL STOCK
       public static void main(String[] args)
               double[] scheme1 = scheme(-0.01, 0.0104);
               double[] scheme2 = scheme(-0.02, 0.0104);
               double[] scheme3 = scheme(0.01, 0.0104);
               double[] scheme4 = scheme(-0.01, 0.0114);
               double[] scheme5 = scheme(-0.02, 0.0114);
               double[] scheme6 = scheme(0.01, 0.0114);
               System.out.println("Day | Scheme 1 | Scheme 2 | Scheme 3 | Scheme 4 | Scheme 5 |
Scheme 6");
               for (int i = 1; i < scheme1.length; i++)</pre>
                       System.out.printf("%d | %.2f | %.2f | %.2f | %.2f | %.2f | %.2f \n", i,
                                       scheme1[i], scheme2[i], scheme3[i],
                                       scheme4[i], scheme5[i], scheme6[i]);
        }
         * Returns a listing of N stock values following a normal distribution
         * with the given mean and variance.
         * @param mean - mean of the normal distribution
         * @param var - variance of the normal distribution
         * @return the listing of N stock values
       public static double[] scheme(double mean, double var)
                // CREATE A Distribution CLASS WHICH CREATES 260 NORMALLY DISTRIBUTED VALUES
               Distribution d = new Distribution (mean, var, N);
                // RATE PER DAY
               double[] rate = new double[N+1];
rate[0] = 1;  // INITIAL RATE
               for (int i = 1; i < rate.length; i++)</pre>
                       rate[i] = rate[i-1] * (1 + d.getGaussRanVar());
               // STOCK VALUE PER DAY
               double[] stockValue = new double[N+1];
               stockValue[0] = initStock; // INITIAL STOCK VALUE
               for (int i = 1; i < stockValue.length; i++)</pre>
                       stockValue[i] = stockValue[i-1]*Math.pow(1+rate[i], 1.0/N);
               return stockValue;
        }
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• A sample output of the program is displayed below where each scheme is based on when they appeared in the problem.

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20192.76 |
                            20206.37 | 20248.49 |
                                                  20220.38
      20200.45
     20256.16 | 20240.79 | 20260.39 | 20305.59 | 20280.10 | 20265.62
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     20316.13 | 20293.39 | 20317.33 | 20360.56 | 20343.49 | 20315.77
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     20384.92 | 20346.89 | 20382.08 | 20406.39 | 20414.58 | 20369.23
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    | 20451.42 | 20403.78 | 20443.25 | 20461.50 | 20475.04 | 20418.02
    | 20518.95 | 20467.90 | 20495.54 | 20516.03 | 20538.45 | 20470.61
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     | 20586.23 | 20527.01 | 20549.21 | 20574.53 | 20604.34 | 20522.03
      20653.03 | 20586.15 | 20602.40 | 20631.94 | 20660.06 | 20574.51
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      20781.42 | 20696.64 | 20717.03 | 20756.45 | 20764.68 | 20689.99
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     | 20846.02 | 20755.07 | 20779.34 | 20821.57 | 20812.30 | 20751.98
     | 20912.15 | 20811.81 | 20847.07 | 20881.08 | 20860.99 | 20820.35
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     | 20977.03 | 20872.92 | 20912.27 | 20935.42 | 20902.93 | 20888.82
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     | 21033.44 | 20932.58 | 20984.96 | 20983.68 | 20946.37 | 20961.45
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     | 21247.44 | 21156.82 | 21299.44 | 21171.87 | 21079.38 | 21227.75
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     | 21293.57 | 21209.77 | 21385.98 | 21219.49 | 21109.36 | 21295.14
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     | 21340.36 | 21267.21 | 21459.42 | 21271.78 | 21138.18 | 21361.17
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      21378.87 | 21325.14 | 21531.38 | 21332.04 | 21168.22 | 21429.35
     21412.04 | 21375.64 | 21601.02 | 21392.27 | 21198.28 | 21495.15
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     | 21518.70 | 21491.66 | 21797.47 | 21540.08 | 21297.84 | 21671.11
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     | 21588.98 | 21567.08 | 21933.94 | 21634.73 | 21365.21 | 21803.90
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      22566.37 | 22551.46 | 23857.77 | 22985.07 | 21980.12 | 24521.72
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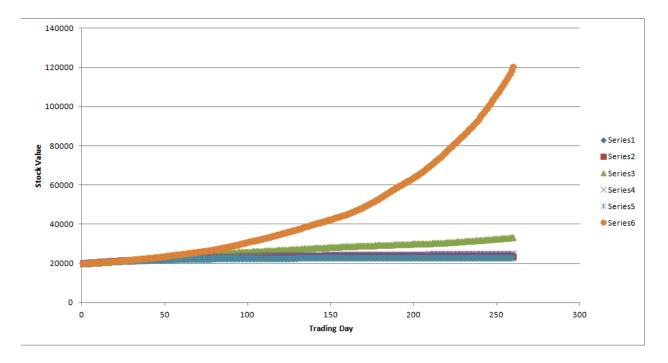
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     | 22808.24 | 22725.41 | 24280.13 | 23170.22 | 22098.03 | 25280.70
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     | 23254.64 | 22956.96 | 25175.37 | 23422.76 | 22311.72 | 26994.30
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     | 23387.95 | 22999.37 | 25432.18 | 23498.04 | 22374.22 | 27829.90
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     | 23416.93 | 23012.56 | 25514.96 | 23536.40 | 22394.01 | 28189.70
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     | 23430.53 | 23018.88 | 25556.51 | 23560.22 | 22401.82 | 28361.10
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     | 23575.98 | 23089.71 | 25969.60 | 23812.16 | 22486.50 | 30436.07
     | 23587.36 | 23097.01 | 26009.58 | 23837.75 | 22495.02 | 30651.13
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      | 23600.25 | 23104.04 | 26050.78 | 23860.91 | 22503.88 | 30860.74
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        23731.09 | 23171.11 | 26482.92 | 24087.85 | 22559.49 | 32596.39
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        23745.58 | 23179.73 | 26520.99 | 24105.94 | 22564.50 | 32810.74
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        23760.33 | 23188.44 | 26563.70 | 24122.07 | 22569.72 | 33016.29
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• The plot of the data points above is shown below. MS Excel was used to graph the points. The legend corresponds to the schemes (e.g. Series1 = Scheme1). Due to the relatively big number of points, the points themselves display the trend line of the graph. Series 1 to 5 may seem like straight lines but in a closer inspection, they follow a logarithmic pattern because of the distribution function.



- Multiple runs of the program generate different numerical results because the rate in each day depends on the randomly generated z-value. Also, this program uses the Distribution class I created specifically for this homework.
- The Distribution class generates N normally distributed values with the given mean and variance that are accepted during initialization. I found this to be the simplest way to be able to have distribution values with different means and variances. The class also has a method getGaussRanVar() which selects a random value in the distribution. This was used for the next day stock rate exchange.