Introduction to R — Fall 2007 Homework Set # 4

Begin the homework session by executing the following command in *R*:

source("http://www.nd.edu/~steve/Rcourse/hmwrkData/hmwrk4Data.R")

This will define the variables x1, x2, x3, z1, z2.

Exer. 4.1. Test the null hypothesis that x_1 and x_2 have the same mean. Use a test that is appropriate for the distributions and variances of the two variables. I do not expect you to submit any graphics you produce, however you must show that you generated them.

Exer. 4.2. Same as above but use x3 and x2. In addition, what does the t test estimate as the mean of x3?

Exer. 4.3. Repeat for z1, z2.

Exer. 4.4. Write a function that, given a vector v computes the product of all the entries in v. (There is a function in *R* that does this, but I want you to write one yourself.)

Exer. 4.5. Write a function that, given a list L, each of whose components is a vector, returns an integer vector len, such that for each i, len[i] is the length of L[[i]].

Exer. 4.6. Write a function in one variable n that randomly samples n numbers from a normal distribution with mean 2 and standard deviation 2.