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Directions: Frequently save your work to **handin** and your USB key! No quizzes accepted with timestamp past 5:05 p.m. Submit a **.tar** file (even though just one file will be in it) with naming convention as in the homework (but with only names of those present).

**Assumptions:** In all problems, we are working with electronic components with lifetime  $L$ , whose population distribution is assumed to be exponential with some unknown population value  $\lambda$ . We test a random sample of  $n$  components, finding their lifetimes to be  $L_1, \dots, L_n$ .

Place your answer to Problem  $i$  in a file **Probi.R**.

1. (35) Write a function with call form

```
lmbdci(lvec)
```

where the argument **lvec** is the vector  $(L_1, \dots, L_n)'$ , as above, returning a two-component vector representing the endpoints of an approximate 95% confidence interval  $E(L)$ .

Feel free to call R's **mean()**, **var()** and/or **sd()** functions. However, for full credit, do not use the usual  $s^2$ ; instead, use a quantity that exploits the fact that we are assuming an exponential distribution.

2. (35) Write a function with call form

```
estcdf(lvec, t)
```

which returns the estimated value of  $F_L(t)$ , where  $t$  is a number between  $-\infty$  and  $\infty$ .

3. (30) Write a function with call form

```
plotestcdf(lvec, ubound)
```

uses **ggplot2** to plot the function in Problem 2, from 0 to **ubound**.

**Solutions:**

1. From the text, we know that

$$\text{Var}(L) = 1/\lambda^2 \tag{1}$$

So, instead of  $s$  use  $1/\hat{\lambda} = \bar{L}$ . The CI is then

$$\bar{L} \pm 1.96\bar{L}/\sqrt{n} \tag{2}$$

2.

```
estcdf <- function(lvec, t) {  
  lambdahat <- 1 / mean(lvec)  
  1 - exp(lambdahat * t)  
}
```