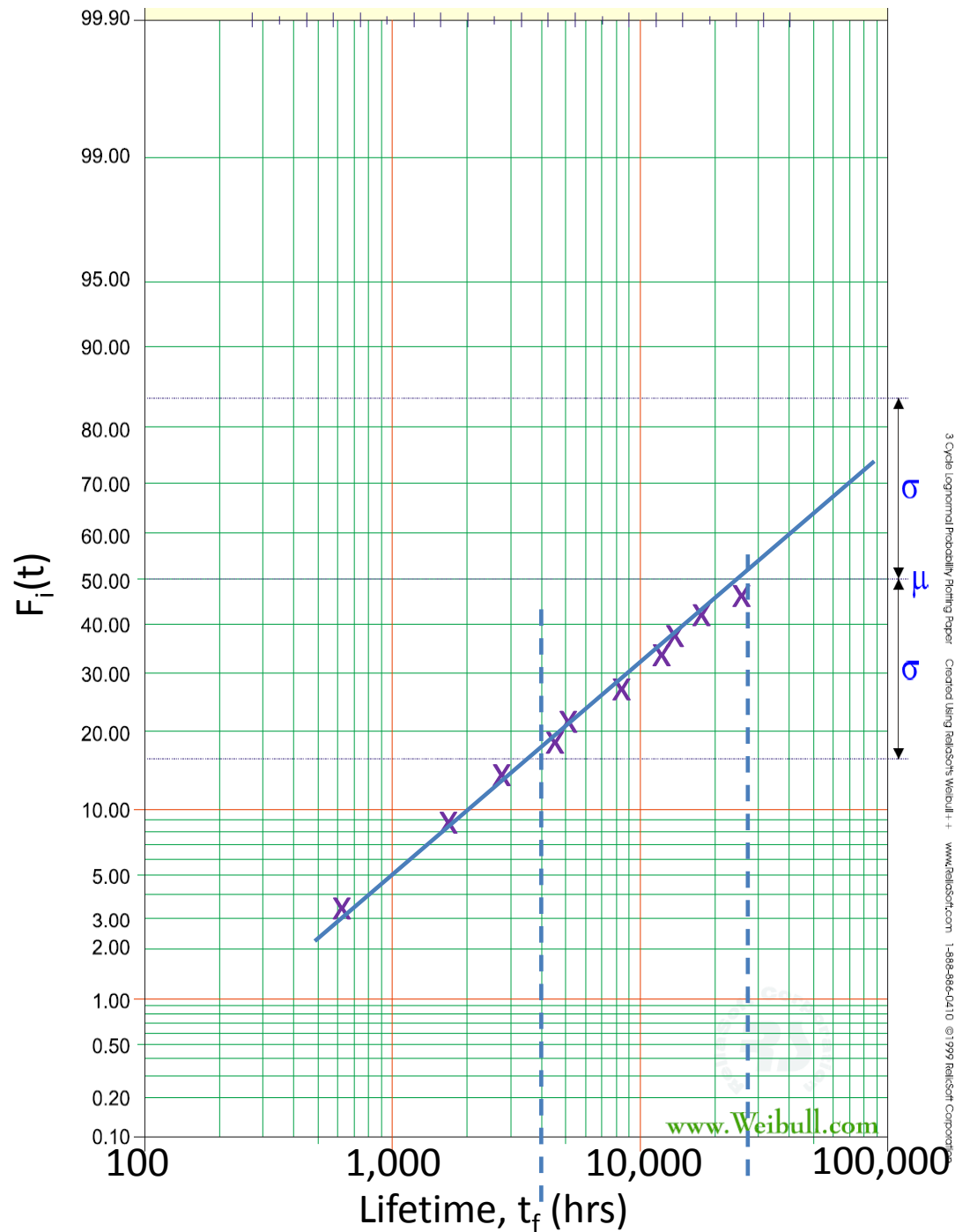


## EEE6008 Problem question solution – Reliability mathematics

1) Rank the data using Bernard's approximation:  $F_i = \frac{i - 0.3}{N + 0.4} \times 100$

Rank, i	$t_f$	$F_i(t)$
1	700	3.431373
2	1900	8.333333
3	3000	13.23529
4	4400	18.13725
5	5500	23.03922
6	9300	27.94118
7	11500	32.84314
8	11900	37.7451
9	16100	42.64706
10	25200	47.54902

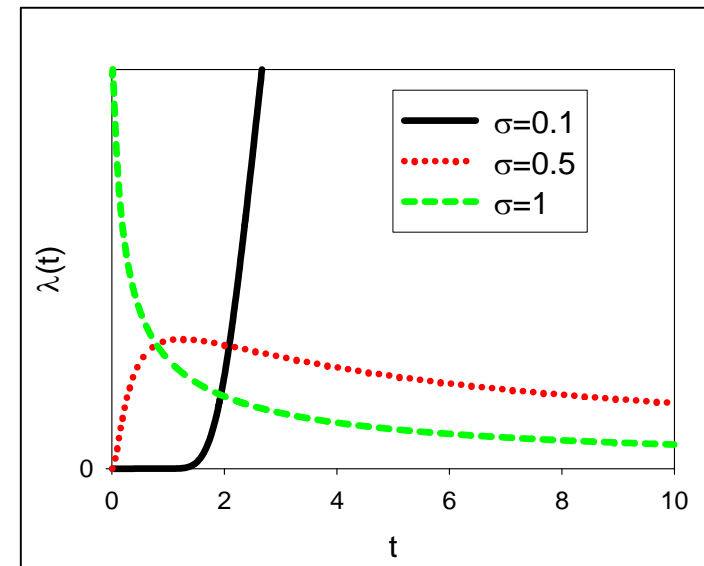


2)

$$\sigma = \ln(25,000) - \ln(4,000) = 1.83$$

Suggests failure rate high at first, then settles to ~constant.

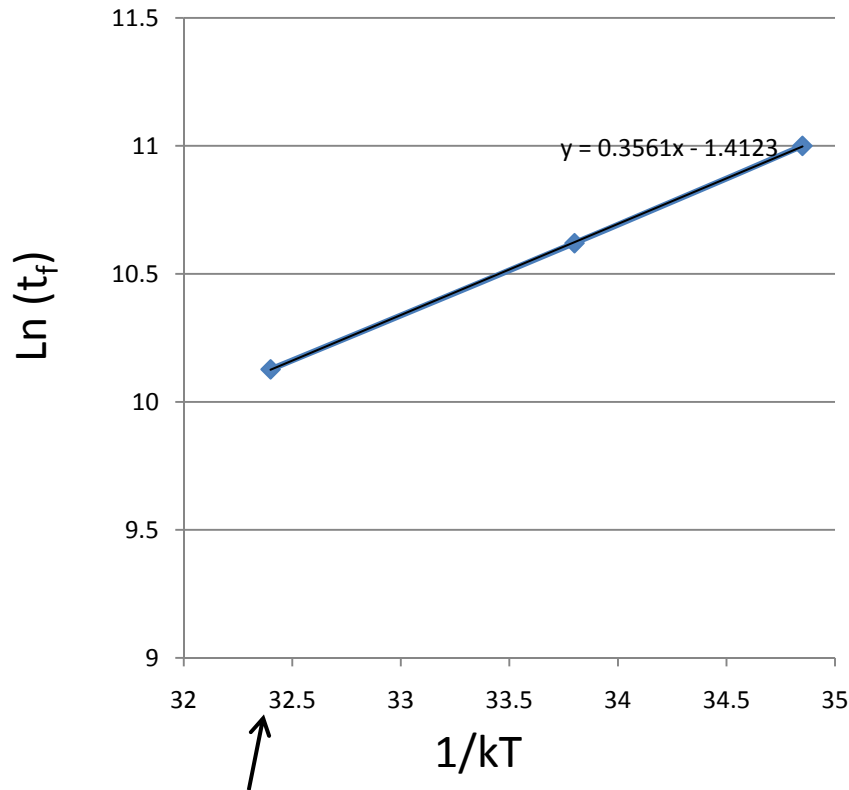
Reminder, from notes:



(On Weibull,  $\beta \sim 0.7$ )

3) MTTF  $\sim 25,000$  hours

#### 4) Arrhenius plot: plot $\ln(t_f)$ as function of $1/kT$



$$E_a = 0.356\text{eV}$$

$$\ln A = -1.4123, \text{ so } A = 0.244$$

85°C =  
358K

$$\begin{aligned}\text{MTTF (20°C)} &= A \exp(E_a/kT) \\ &= 0.244 \exp(0.356/k293) \\ &= 324,200 \text{ hours} \sim 37 \text{ years!}\end{aligned}$$