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MATH 100

Fall 2023

HW 15: Due 12/11

*"If you torture the data long enough, it  
will confess."*

*—Ronald Coase*

**Problem 1.** (10pt) Suppose that the average yearly cost of a private, four-year institution is normally distributed with mean \$26,489 and standard deviation \$3,204. Fahad is hoping to spend between \$15,000 and \$32,000 per year on his education. What percentage of private, four-year institutions meet Fahad's criterion?

**Problem 2.** (10pt) State the Central Limit Theorem. Explain at least two ways in which it is used in Statistics.

**Problem 3.** (10pt) You have purchased a new 3D printer to create small board game pieces for your small business. The product description states that the variation (measured by the standard deviation) in production time for a project of your size should be no more than 1.2 hours. You create use the machine to create 15 sample pieces and find a mean production time of 241.2 minutes.

- (a) Create a 98% confidence interval for the mean production time for your product.
- (b) What does your computation in (a) assume? Explain.

**Problem 4.** (10pt) You and your three friends would like to win a trivia competition to buy paper from your company to meet your quarterly sales targets. To make it to the final rounds, you need to be in the top 10% of teams. This requires team have at least some average number of questions answered correctly. Looking at past data, you see that the average *individual* gets only 64 questions correct with a standard deviation of 7 questions. Assume that the distribution of number of questions answered correctly by individuals is normally distributed.

- (a) What is the probability that you and your friends can average at least 70 correctly answered questions?
- (b) What is the probability that you and your friends will average less than 65 questions answered correctly?
- (c) What is the probability that you and your friends will average between 75 and 70 correctly answered questions?
- (d) What is the probability that *you* answer more than 70 questions correctly?