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CS350 hw3

problem 4

$n=40$
sd error = 0.4

a. standard deviation:
z-score: -2.05, +2.05 (according to the z table)

formula: $2.05 * sd = 0.4$
 $sd = 0.4/2.05$
 $sd = \sigma / \sqrt{N} = 0.4/2.05$
 $\sigma = 0.4 / 2.05 * \sqrt{40}$

$\sigma = 1.234$

b. for 99% confidence interval
z score: -2.57, +2.57
 $sd = 0.4/2.05$
standard error = $z * sd = 2.57 * 0.4 / 2.05$
= 0.501

confidence interval:

(3-0.5, 3+0.5)

c. sd error = $z * sd = 0.1$
 $sd = 0.1/z = 0.1/2.05$
 $sd = \sigma / \sqrt{N} = 1.234/\sqrt{N} = 0.1/2.05$
 $\sqrt{N} = 1.234 * 2.05 / 0.1 = 25.297$
 $N = 640$

we have 40 right now, so we need 600 more

we need 600 more samples

