Homework #1 (Due September 10, 3:30 p.m.)

STAT-UB.0003: Regression and Forecasting Models

For this assignment, you will need to use a z table and a t table. These are available in Appendix D of your textbook, as Tables 2 and 3.

- 1. McClave, Benson, & Sincich (MBS), Ex. 5.26
- 2. MBS, Ex. 5.32.
- 3. MBS, Ex. 6.12.
- 4. MBS, Ex. 6.27, parts (a–b). You can use Minitab, Excel, or a calculator to compute the mean and standard deviation.
- 5. Obtain the "NormTemp" dataset from the course website. This gives data on body temperatures for 130 randomly selected human subjects.
 - (a) What is a reasonable population for this dataset?
 - (b) Using Minitab, get a confidence interval for the population mean temperature. To do this, first read the data set into Minitab, and then use

 $Stat \Rightarrow Basic Statistics \Rightarrow 1$ -Sample t

The variable you need to use is *Temp*. Ask for a confidence interval with level 95.0. Copy and paste the Minitab output.

- (c) What assumptions do you need for the confidence interval to be valid?
- (d) Are the results of the confidence interval surprising, in view of the fact that the population mean temperature is supposed to be 98.6 degrees?