

Q. In Cat exam, the population standard deviation is known to be 100. A sample of 25 test takers has a mean of 520. Construct a 80% C.I. about mean.

Sol. $\sigma = 100, n = 25, \bar{x} = 520, \text{C.I.} = 80\%$

as population std. dev. is given, we will use Z-test

$$\alpha = 1 - .80 = 0.20, \quad \alpha/2 = 0.10, \quad z_{\alpha/2} = 1.28$$

$$\text{Lower fence} = \bar{x} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = 520 - 1.28 \times \frac{100}{\sqrt{25}} = 494.4$$

$$\text{Upper fence} = 520 + 1.28 \times \frac{100}{\sqrt{25}} = 545.6$$

for 80% C.I.

