

**TOPIC**

Engineering Probability and Statistics – Section II – Question 7

**QUESTION**

We wish to estimate the mean  $\mu$  of a population by the sample mean,  $\bar{x}$ , drawn from the population. Let  $n$  and  $s$  be the sample size and sample standard deviation, respectively. The probable accuracy of the estimate improves with an increase in

- (A)  $\mu$
- (B)  $s$
- (C)  $n$
- (D)  $\mu+s$

**HINT**

The simple sample average is an unbiased point estimate for  $\mu$ , and the standard error of this estimator is  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ .