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Exercise 19

- (a) The point estimate is \overline{x} , which is 13.5.
- (b) The sample size is 36, so there are 35 degrees of freedom. Using the t-table, we 2.042 for 30 degrees of freedom and 2.021 for 40 degrees of freedom. We could use either value or we could interpolate and get 2.031. I'll use 2.031. The 95% confidence interval is

$$\overline{x} \pm z \left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 13.5 \pm 2.031 \left(\frac{1.2}{\sqrt{36}}\right)$$

= 13.5 \pm 0.4062.

(c) If we followed this procedure many times, with many different samples, in the long run 95% of them would contain the true value of μ .