

APPENDIX: A-3.

Algorithm:

(1) Input values of Theta and Time(t).

(2) Compute the reliability,

$$R(t) = \exp(-t/\Theta).$$

(3) Print the values of Theta, t and R(t).

(4) Let width of confidence interval(D) = 0.2.

(5) Initialize with zero E(N), Var(N), E(R(t)), sum(S) and k=5.

(6) Generate a random sample of size k, from exponential distribution with mean Theta.

$$X_i = -\Theta \cdot \log(U), i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

Where U denotes U(0,1) random numbers.

$$(7) S = S + X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

(8) Compute estimate of R(t),

$$RTE = \exp(-T/M), \text{ Where } M=S/k.$$

(9) Check whether,

$$k \geq \frac{T^2 a_k^2}{M^2 e^{(2T/M)} d^2}, \text{ where } a_k \rightarrow a \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } a \text{ is } 100(\alpha/2)\% \text{ point}$$

of standard normal distribution.

If the condition is satisfied, k is required sample size and RTE is the estimate of R(t).

(10) If condition is not satisfied, Generate a random observation  $X(k+1)$  from exponential distribution with mean Theta.

$S = S + X(k+1)$  and goto step (8).

(11) Repeat the steps (5-10) 500-times and at each stage compute  
 $E(N)=E(N)+k$ ,  $\text{Var}(N)=\text{Var}(N)+k*k$  and  $E(R(t))=E(R(t))+RTE$ .

(12) Compute

$E(N)=E(N)/500$ ,  $\text{Var}(N)=\text{Var}(N)/500-E^2(N)$  and  $E(R(t))=E(R(t))/500$ .

(13) Print values of  $E(N)$ ,  $\text{Var}(N)$ ,  $E(R(t))$ .

(14) Let  $D=D-0.02$ , if  $D \geq 0.06$  goto step (5) otherwise goto next  
step.

(15) Stop.