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### Initial Class Exercise

#### QSCI 482: Hypothesis Testing & Estimation for Ecologists & Resource Managers

1. Often, a data set is described symbolically as  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ . Using the following data set: 10, 5, 15, 5 ( $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$  respectively), compute:

[a]  $\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i = 10 + 5 + 15 = 30$     [b]  $\sum_{i=2}^4 X_i = 5 + 15 + 5 = 25$     [c]  $\sum X = 10 + 5 + 15 + 5 = 35$

2. What information is provided in a confidence interval for the mean?

A confidence interval provides a range of likely values for the population mean.

3. The figure below shows the distribution for a particular value measured on individuals from a particular population. Sketch in what the distribution of the mean of samples of size  $n$  would like. Be sure to label the dispersion or variation of this distribution of the sample means. (If you need  $n$  to be a number, just say it's 10.)

