

# Method of moments

Say r.v.  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

1<sup>st</sup> population moment:  $E(X) = \mu$

Sample moment (1<sup>st</sup>)  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}$

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X}$$

for  $\sigma^2$

$$\sigma^2 = V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = m_2 - (m_1)^2$$

↑  
sample moment

$$m_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \quad m_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - (\bar{X})^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \cdot n \cdot (\bar{X})^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n(\bar{x})^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n \cdot \bar{x} \cdot \bar{x} \right]$$

$$\bar{x} \cdot n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (x_i - \bar{x}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \right] \quad S^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \left[ \frac{(n-1)}{n} S^2 \right]$$

For any infinite population,

$$E(S^2) = \sigma^2$$

$$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \left[ \frac{(n-1)}{n} \sigma^2 \right] \left( -\frac{\sigma^2}{n} \right) \rightarrow \text{Bias}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(\hat{\sigma}^2) &= E(\hat{\sigma}^2) - \sigma^2 \\
 &= \frac{(n-1)}{n} \sigma^2 - \sigma^2 \\
 &= \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 - \frac{n}{n} \sigma^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{B(\hat{\sigma}^2) = -\frac{1}{n} \sigma^2}$$

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Ex. 22.

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} (\theta+1)x^\theta & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$\theta > -1$

a) 1<sup>st</sup> moment of the sample

$$m_1 = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 0.8$$

$$E(X) = 0.8$$

1<sup>st</sup> population moment

$$= E(X) = \int_{R_X} x \cdot f(x; \theta)$$

$$= \int_0^1 x \cdot (\theta+1) \cdot x^\theta dx = \int_0^1 (\theta+1) x^{\theta+1} dx$$

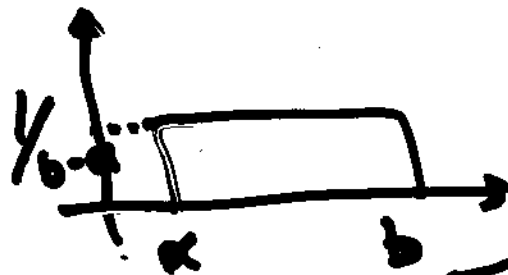
$$= \left( \frac{\theta+1}{\theta+2} \cdot x^{\theta+2} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\theta+1}{\theta+2} - 0$$

$$E(X) = \frac{\theta+1}{\theta+2} = 0.8, \quad \boxed{\theta = 3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x; 3) &= (3+1) x^3 \\ &= \underline{4x^3}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $X \sim U(a, b)$

$$\bar{x} = 50.00$$



$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 \quad \left( \neq \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)} \right)$$

$$= 5.00 \quad \text{Find the estimators for } a \text{ \& } b.$$

$$E(X) \Rightarrow \text{for } U(a, b) \Rightarrow E(X) = \frac{b+a}{2}$$
$$V(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

$$\frac{b+a}{2} = \underbrace{50.00}_{\text{1st moment of sample}}$$

1st moment of population

$$V(X) = \frac{E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2}{\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}} = \underbrace{m_2 - m_1^2}_{5.00}$$

$$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12} = 5.00$$

$$\frac{b+a}{2} = 50.00$$

$$(b-a)^2 = 60$$

$$b-a = 7.746$$

$$b+a = 100.00$$

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$$2b = 107.746$$

$$b = 53.87$$

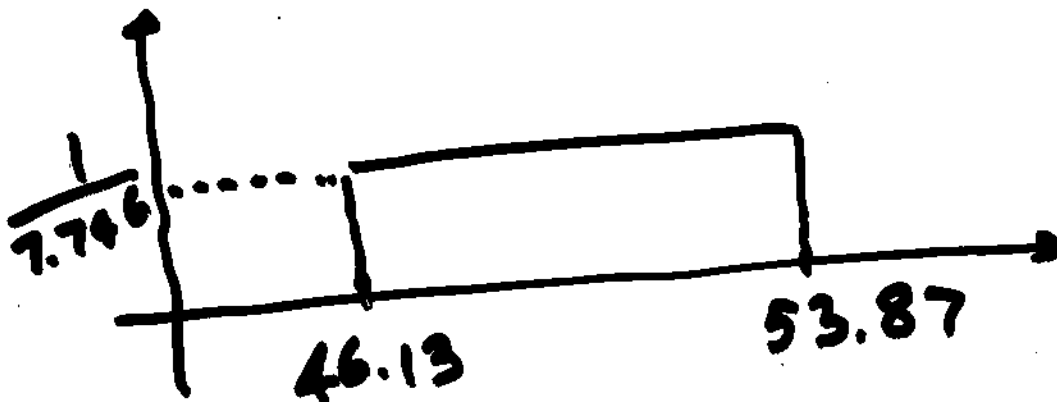
$$b-a = 7.746$$

$$53.87 - a = 7.746$$

$$X \sim U(46.13, 53.87)$$

$$a = 46.124$$

$$a = 46.13$$



For  $U(a,b)$

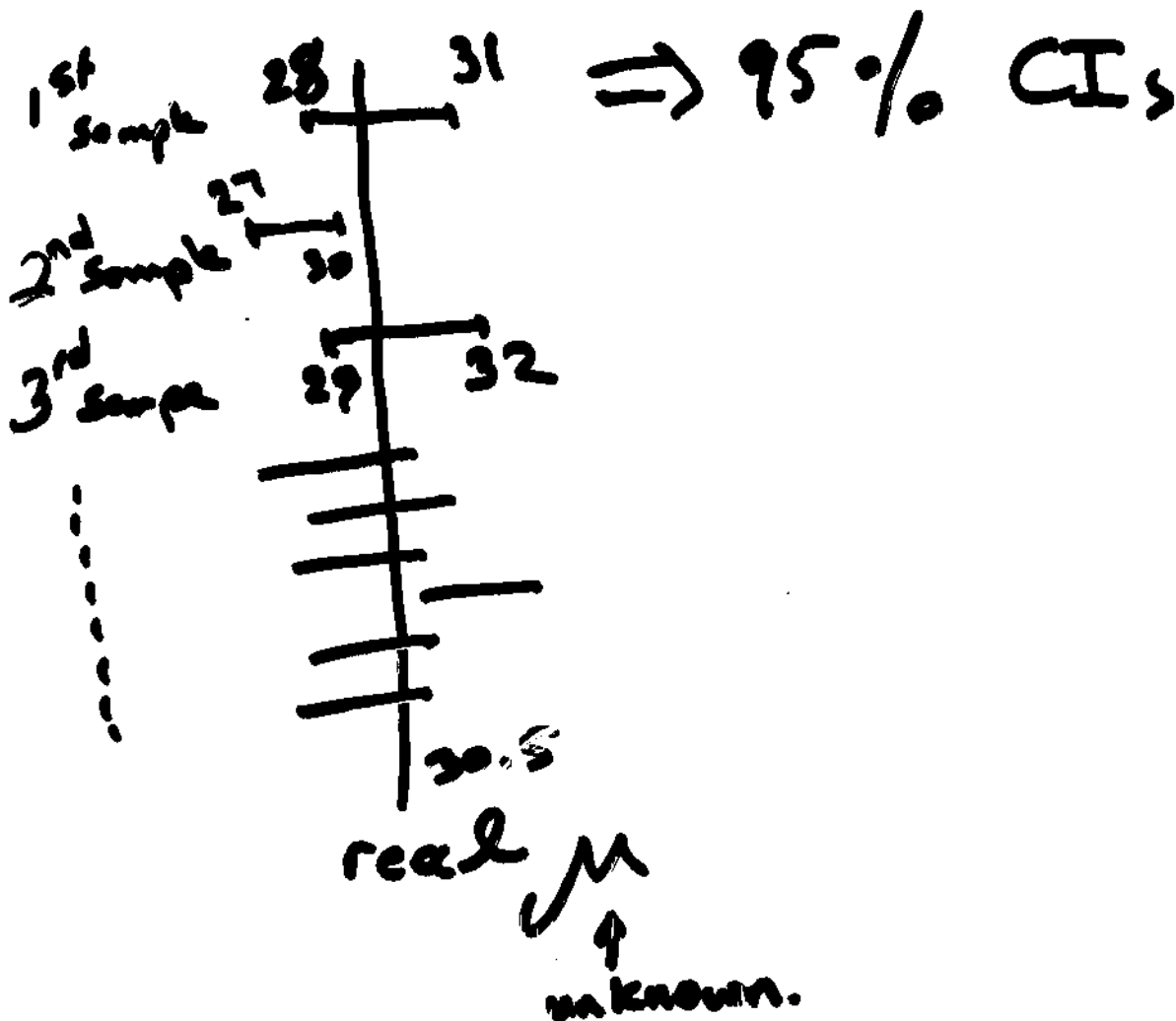
$$V(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

$$= \underbrace{E(X^2)} - [E(X)]^2$$

$$\int_a^b x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} - \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2$$

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## Confidence Interval



95% CIs

A lower 1-sided CI  $[\theta_L, \infty]$

upper 1-sided CI  $[-\infty, \theta_U]$

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$$LSL = 1200 \text{ psi}$$

$n = 25$   
sample size

$$\sum_{i=1}^{25} x_i = 31,500 \text{ psi.}$$

The real variance of the process  $\sigma^2$  is assumed to be known.

$$\sigma^2 = 625$$

$X \rightarrow$  breaking strength  $\rightarrow$  LTB

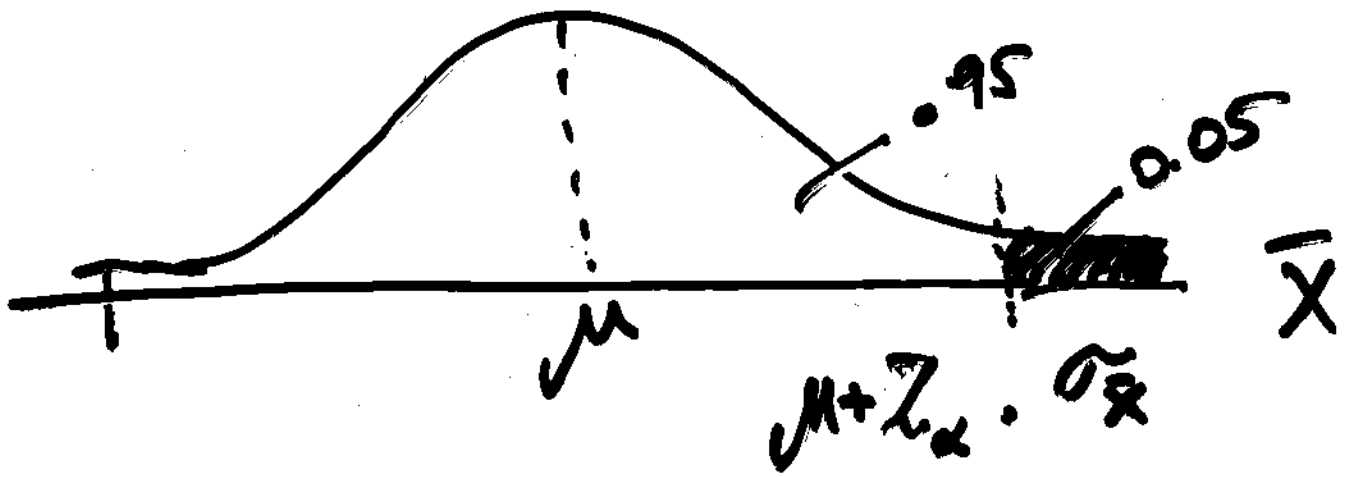
Lower 1-sided CI for the population mean,  $\mu$ .

$$1 - \alpha = 0.95$$
$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$N(\mu, 625 \text{ psi}^2)$$

$$\bar{x} = 1260 \text{ psi.}$$

$$\bar{x} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{625}{25}\right)$$



$$P(\bar{x} \leq \mu + z_{\alpha} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{x}}) = 0.95$$

$$P\left(\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{x}}} \leq z_{\alpha=0.05}\right) = 0.95$$

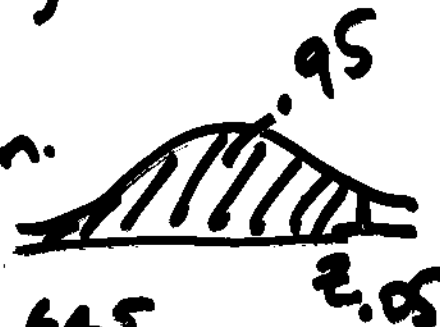
$$\bar{x} - \mu \leq z_{.05} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{x}}$$

$$\rightarrow P(\bar{x} - z_{.05} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{x}} \leq \mu) = 0.95$$

$$P(\mu \geq \bar{x} - z_{.05} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{x}}) = 0.95$$

From the sample.      From table      known.

$$z_{.05} = 1.645$$



$$P(\mu \geq \bar{x} - (1.645) \left(\sqrt{\frac{625}{25}}\right))$$

$$P(\mu \geq \bar{x} - (1.645)(5)) = 0.95$$

$$P(\mu \geq \bar{x} - 8.225) = 0.95$$

For the given sample,

$$P(\mu \geq 1260 - 8.225)$$

$$P(\mu \geq 1251.775) = 0.95$$

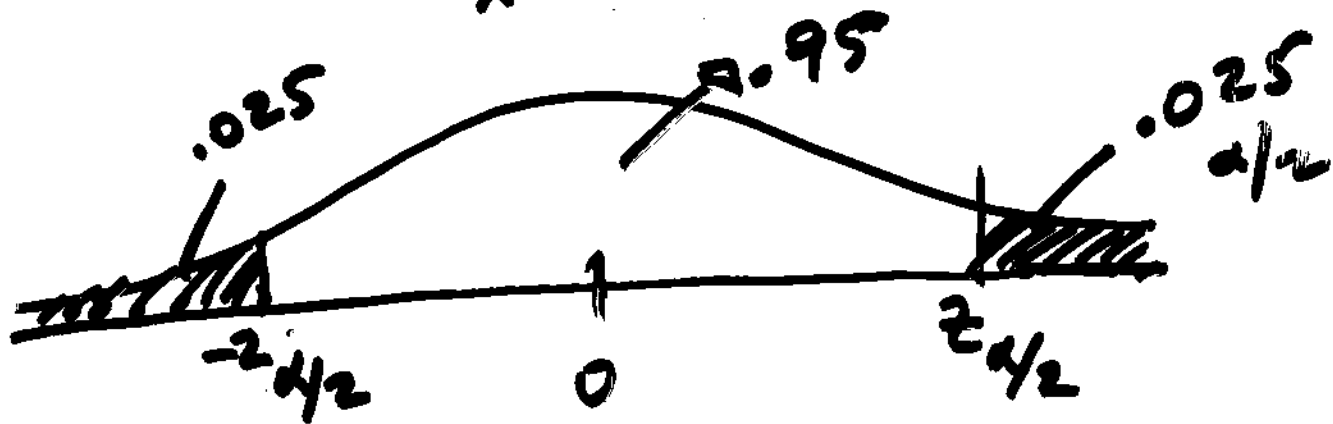
Lets take the same sample, and

assume  $X$  is NTB

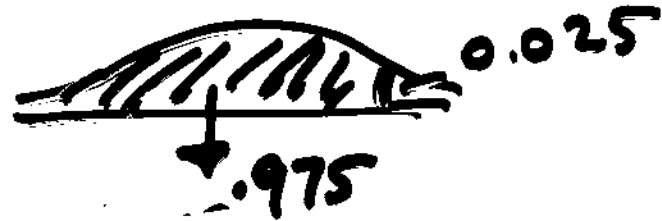
$\Rightarrow$  a 2-sided CI is needed for the mean  $\mu$ .

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$P(-z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq z_{\alpha/2})$$



$$Z_{.025} = 1.96$$



$$P(-1.96 \leq \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{x}}} \leq 1.96) = 0.95$$

$$P(-1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}} - \bar{x} \leq -\mu \leq 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}} - \bar{x})$$

$$P(1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}} + \bar{x} \geq \mu \geq -1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}} + \bar{x})$$

$$P(\underbrace{-1.96}_{Z_{\alpha/2}} \sigma_{\bar{x}} + \bar{x} \leq \mu \leq \underbrace{1.96}_{Z_{\alpha/2}} \sigma_{\bar{x}} + \bar{x})$$

The probability = 0.95

A two-sided CI for  $\mu$ :

$$(\bar{x} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{x}})$$

For our example:

$$\bar{x} = 1260, \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}} = 5$$

A 95% two-sided CI for  $\mu$

$$1260 \pm z_{.025} \cdot 5$$

$$1250.2 \leq \mu \leq 1269.8$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$1260 - z_{.025} \cdot 5$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$1260 + z_{.025} \cdot 5$$

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if we don't know the population  $\sigma^2$  we estimate by  $S^2 = \frac{CSS}{(n-1)}$

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$n > 40$$

$\Rightarrow$  for  $n > 40$   
still practically  
equal to standard  
normal.

if  $n < 40$

$$T = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}$$

if  $n < 40$ , has  
the  $t$  distribution  
with  $\nu = n - 1$   
degrees of freedom.