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Definitions

Suppose A is a black box unit.

- **Failure density** f_A : distribution of the time T that A fails.
- ▶ **Reliability function** R_A : the probability that A is working at time t, $R_A(t) = 1 F_A(t)$.
- **Hazard rate** ρ_A :

$$\rho_{A}(t) := \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{P[t \le T \le t + \Delta t | t \le T]}{\Delta t}
= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{P[t \le T \le t + \Delta t]}{P[T \ge t] \cdot \Delta t} = \frac{f_{A}(t)}{R_{A}(t)},
R_{A}(t) = e^{-\int_{0}^{t} \rho_{A}(x) dx}.$$

One often has information on ρ_A , but not F_A or R_A .

Series and Parallel Systems

► Series system with *k* components.

$$R_s(t) = \prod_{i=1}^k R_i(t),$$

where R_i is the reliability of the i-th component.

► Parallel system with *k* components.

$$R_p(t) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^k (1 - R_i(t)).$$

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Exponential Distribution

▶ Density function. $\beta > 0$ is a parameter,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \beta e^{-\beta x}, & x > 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

► Mean.

$$\mu = \frac{1}{\beta}.$$

► Variance.

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\beta}$$
.

Reliability features.

$$\rho(t) = \beta$$
, $R(t) = e^{-\beta t}$, $f(t) = \rho(t)R(t) = \beta e^{-\beta t}$.

Weibull Distribution

▶ Density function. $\alpha, \beta > 0$ are parameters,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\alpha x^{\beta}}, & x > 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

► Mean.

$$\mu = \alpha^{-1/\beta} \Gamma(1 + 1/\beta).$$

► Variance.

$$\sigma^2 = \alpha^{-2/\beta} \Gamma(1 + 2/\beta) - \mu^2.$$

Reliability features.

$$\rho(t) = \alpha \beta t^{\beta - 1}, \ R(t) = e^{-\alpha t^{\beta}}, \ f(t) = \rho(t)R(t) = \alpha \beta t^{\beta - 1}e^{-\alpha t^{\beta}}.$$

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Definitions

- Statistics aims to gain information about the parameters of a distribution by conducting experiments.
- Population: a large collection of instances which we want to describe probability.
- ▶ Random sample of size n from distribution of X: a collection of n independent random variables X_1, \ldots, X_n , each with the same distribution as X. ($\Leftrightarrow n$ i.i.d. random variables.)
- ▶ x-th percentiles: d_x such that x% of values in sampled data are less than or equal to d_x . (first, second, third quartile \Rightarrow x = 25, 50, 75.)
- ▶ *Interquartile range*: $IQR = q_3 q_1$, measures the dispersion of the data.
- **Precision**: smallest decimal place of data $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$.
- ▶ Sample range: $\max\{x_i\} \min\{x_i\}$.

Visualization — Histograms

Choose bin width / number of bins.

Sturges's rule.

$$k = \lceil \log_2(n) \rceil + 1, \qquad h = \frac{\max\{x_i\} - \min\{x_i\}}{k},$$

rounding *up* to the precision of the data.

► Freedman-Diaconis rule.

$$h = \frac{2 \cdot \mathsf{IQR}}{\sqrt[3]{n}}.$$

Sketch.

- 1. Choose bin width *h*.
- 2. Find minimum of data min $\{x_i\}$, subtract 1/2 of precision.
- 3. Successively add bin width and categorize all the data.

Visualization — Stem-and-Leaf Diagrams

Steps.

- 1. Choose a convenient number of leading decimal digits to serve as stems.
- 2. Label the rows using the stems.
- 3. For each datum of the random sample, note down the digit following the stem in the corresponding row.
- 4. Turn the graph on its side to get an impression of its distribution.

Visualization — Stem-and-Leaf Diagrams

Visualization — Boxplots

- 1. Calculate q_1, q_2, q_3 and IQR.
- 2. Find *inner fences* and *outer fences* by

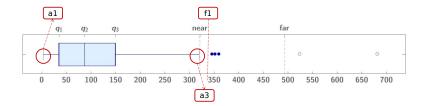
$$f_1 = q_1 - \frac{3}{2}IQR,$$
 $f_3 = q_3 + \frac{3}{2}IQR,$ $F_1 = q_1 - 3IQR,$ $F_3 = q_3 + 3IQR,$

and find adjacent values

$$a_1 = \min \{ x_k : x_k \ge f_1 \}, \qquad a_3 = \max \{ x_k : x_k \le f_3 \}.$$

3. Identify *near outliers* and *far outliers*.

Visualization — Boxplots



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Definitions

- **Statistic**: a <u>random variable</u> that is derived from X_1, \ldots, X_n .
- Estimator: a statistic that is used to estimate a population parameter.
- **Point estimate**: a <u>value</u> of the estimator.
- ▶ **Unbiased**: expectation of an estimator $\widehat{\theta}$ is equal to the true parameter.

$$\mathsf{E}[\widehat{\theta}] = \theta, \qquad \mathsf{bias} = \theta - \mathsf{E}[\widehat{\theta}].$$

Mean square error.

$$MSE(\widehat{\theta}) = E[(\widehat{\theta} - \theta)^{2}]$$

$$= E[(\widehat{\theta} - E[\widehat{\theta}])^{2}] + (\theta - E[\widehat{\theta}])^{2}$$

$$= Var[\widehat{\theta}] + (bias)^{2}.$$

Estimating Parameters — The Method of Moments

Method of moments. Given a random sample X_1, \ldots, X_n of a random variable X, for any integer $k \ge 1$,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{E}[X^k]} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k$$

is an unbiased estimator for the kth moment of X.

Proof. Denote $\mu_k = E[X^k]$, then

$$E\left[\widehat{\mu_k}\right] = E\left[\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i^k] = \frac{1}{n} \cdot n\mu_k = \mu_k.$$

Estimating Parameters — Method of Maximum Likelihood

Method of maximum likelihood. Given a random sample X_1, \ldots, X_n of a random variable X with parameter θ and density f_X , the *likelihood function* is given by

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_X(x_i).$$

The maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of θ is given by

$$\widehat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{arg max}} L(\theta).$$

In most of the cases, we equivalently maximize the log-likelihood

$$\ell(\theta) = \ln L(\theta), \qquad \widehat{\theta} = \arg\max_{\theta} \ell(\theta).$$

Estimating Mean

Method of moments.

ightharpoonup Estimating mean μ .

$$\widehat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i.$$

Biasness. As we have noted earlier,

$$\mathsf{E}\left[\widehat{\mu}\right] = \mu.$$

Estimating Mean

Maximum likelihood estimate. Suppose X follows a normal distribution with <u>unknown</u> mean μ and <u>known</u> variance σ^2 , and we wish to estimate mean μ .

ightharpoonup Estimating mean μ .

$$\begin{split} L(\mu) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}\sigma^n} \exp\left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + n\mu^2\right)\right]. \\ \widehat{\mu} &= \arg\max_{\mu} \left\{-\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + n\mu^2\right)\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i. \end{split}$$

Biasness. As seen earlier, the estimator is unbiased.

Estimating Variance

Method of moments.

Estimating variance σ^2 .

$$\widehat{\sigma^2} = \widehat{\mathsf{E}[X^2]} - \widehat{\mathsf{E}[X]}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)^2.$$

Biasness. This estimator is not unbiased since

$$E[X_i^2] = Var[X_i] + E[X_i]^2 = \sigma^2 + \mu^2,$$

$$E[\overline{X}^2] = Var[\overline{X}] + E[\overline{X}]^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2,$$

and thus

$$\mathsf{E}[\widehat{\sigma^2}] = \sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{n} - \mu^2 = \frac{n-1}{n}\sigma^2 \neq \sigma^2.$$

Estimating Variance

Maximum likelihood estimate. Suppose X follows a Poisson distribution with parameter k, and we wish to estimate variance k (since both mean and variance of Poisson distribution are k).

 \triangleright Estimating variance k. We know from lecture slides that

$$L(k) = e^{-nk} \frac{k^{\sum X_i}}{\prod X_i!},$$

$$\widehat{k} = \arg\max_{k} \left\{ -nk + \ln k \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i - \ln \prod_{i=1}^{n} X_i \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i.$$

▶ <u>Biasness</u>. Although both the MLE estimate for mean and variance are sample mean, the estimators are unbiased.

Summary

Unbiased estimator for mean and variance.

$$\widehat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i, \qquad \widehat{\sigma^2} = S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \overline{X})^2.$$

Unbiased estimator for moments.

$$\widehat{\mathsf{E}[X^k]} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k.$$

MLE estimator for parameters.

$$\widehat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \ L(\theta) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \ \ell(\theta) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln f_X(x_i).$$

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Confidence Intervals

Definition. Let $0 \le \alpha \le 1$. A $100(1-\alpha)\%$ (two-sided) confidence interval for a parameter θ is an interval $[L_1, L_2]$ such that

$$P[L_1 \le \theta \le L_2] = 1 - \alpha.$$

In most cases, we use centered confidence interval with

$$P[\theta < L_1] = P[\theta > L_2] = \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

The $100(1-\alpha)\%$ upper confidence bound and lower confidence bound for θ are given by L_u , L_l such that

$$P[\theta \le L_u] = 1 - \alpha, \qquad P[L_l \le \theta] = 1 - \alpha.$$

Standard normal distribution.

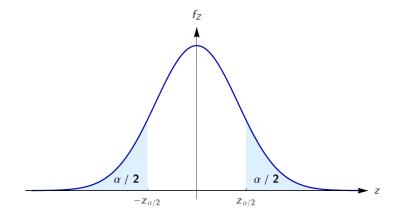
Density function.

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{z^2/2}, \qquad z \in \mathbb{R}.$$

▶ Statistical values. Command for x such that $P[X \ge x] = p$: InverseCDF [NormalDistribution[0, 1], 1-p].

$$\alpha = 0.05 \quad \Rightarrow \quad z_{\alpha} = 1.64485, \quad z_{\alpha/2} = 1.95996.$$

Standard normal distribution.



Chi-squared distribution.

▶ Origin. $Z_1, ..., Z_n$ are i.i.d. random variables.

$$Z_i \sim \mathsf{Normal}(0,1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi_n^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 \sim \mathsf{ChiSquared}(n).$$

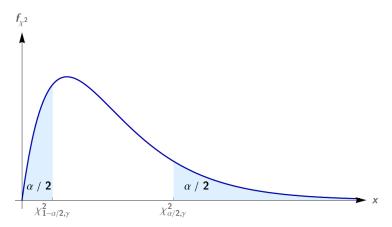
▶ Density function. $f_{\chi_n^2}(x) = 0$ for x < 0 and

$$f_{\chi_n^2}(x) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)} x^{n/2-1} e^{-x/2}, \qquad x \ge 0,$$

where n is the degree of freedom.

▶ Statistical values. Command for x such that $P[X \ge x] = p$: InverseCDF[ChiSquareDistribution[n], 1-p].

Chi-squared distribution.



Chi distribution.

▶ Origin. $Z_1, ..., Z_n$ are i.i.d. random variables.

$$Z_i \sim \mathsf{Normal}(0,1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi_n = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2} \sim \mathsf{Chi}(n).$$

▶ Density function. $f_{\chi_n}(x) = 0$ for x < 0 and

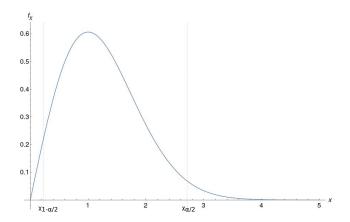
$$f_{\chi_n}(x) = \frac{2}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)}x^{n-1}e^{-x^2/2}, \qquad x \ge 0,$$

where n is the degree of freedom.

▶ Statistical values. Command for x such that $P[X \ge x] = p$: InverseCDF [ChiDistribution[n], 1-p].



Chi distribution.



Student T-distribution.

• Origin. Z, χ^2_{γ} are i.i.d. random variables such that

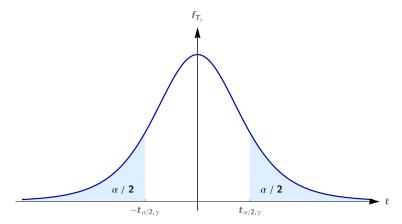
$$Z \sim \mathsf{Normal}(0,1), \qquad \chi_{\gamma}^2 \sim \mathsf{ChiSquared}(\gamma),$$
 $\Rightarrow \qquad T_{\gamma} = rac{Z}{\sqrt{\chi_{\gamma}^2/\gamma}} \sim \mathsf{StudentT}(\gamma).$

Density function.

$$f_{\mathcal{T}_{\gamma}}(t) = rac{\Gamma((\gamma+1)/2)}{\Gamma(\gamma/2)\sqrt{\pi\gamma}} \left(1 + rac{t^2}{\gamma}
ight)^{-rac{\gamma+1}{2}}, \qquad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

▶ Statistical values. Command for x such that $P[X \ge x] = p$: InverseCDF [StudentTDistribution[n], 1-p].

Student T-distribution.



Summary

Suppose X_1, \ldots, X_n are samples from a population X, where X follows normal distribution with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

► Normal distribution.

$$Z = rac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim \mathsf{Normal}\left(0,1
ight).$$

Chi-squared distribution.

$$\chi_{n-1}^2 = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \text{ChiSquared}(n-1).$$

► Chi distribution.

$$\chi_{n-1} = \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}} \sim \operatorname{Chi}(n-1).$$

► Student T-distribution.

$$T_{n-1} = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim \text{StudentT}(n-1).$$

Interval Estimation for Mean (Variance Known)

Mean. Suppose we have a random sample of size n from a normal population with *unknown* mean μ and *known* variance σ^2 .

Statistic and distribution.

$$Z = rac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim \mathsf{Normal}\left(0,1
ight).$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ two-sided confidence interval for μ .

$$\overline{X} \pm \frac{z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$
.

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ one-sided interval for μ .

$$L_u = \overline{X} + \frac{z_{\alpha} \cdot \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \qquad L_I = \overline{X} - \frac{z_{\alpha} \cdot \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}.$$



Interval Estimation for Mean (Variance Unknown)

Mean. Suppose we have a random sample of size n from a normal population with *unknown* mean μ and *unknown* variance σ^2 .

► Statistic and distribution.

$$T_{n-1} = rac{\overline{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim \mathsf{StudentT}(n-1).$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ two-sided confidence interval for μ .

$$\overline{X}\pm \frac{t_{\alpha/2,n-1}S}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ one-sided interval for σ^2 .

$$L_u = \overline{X} + \frac{t_{\alpha,n-1}S}{\sqrt{n}}, \qquad L_I = \overline{X} - \frac{t_{\alpha,n-1}S}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Interval Estimation for Variance

Variance. Suppose we have a random sample of size n from a normal population with unknown mean μ and unknown variance σ^2 .

Statistic and distribution.

$$\chi^2_{n-1} = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \text{ChiSquared}(n-1).$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ two-sided confidence interval for σ^2 .

$$\left[\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha/2,n-1}},\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2,n-1}}\right].$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ one-sided interval for σ^2 .

$$L_u = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha,n-1}}, \qquad L_I = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha,n-1}}.$$

Interval Estimation for Standard Deviation

Std. Deviation. Suppose we have a random sample of size n from a normal population with unknown mean μ and unknown variance σ^2 .

Statistic and distribution.

$$\chi_{n-1} = \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}} \sim \operatorname{Chi}(n-1).$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ two-sided confidence interval for σ^2 .

$$\left\lceil \frac{\sqrt{(n-1)S^2}}{\chi_{\alpha/2,n-1}}, \frac{\sqrt{(n-1)S^2}}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2,n-1}} \right\rceil.$$

▶ $100(1-\alpha)\%$ one-sided interval for σ^2 .

$$L_u = \frac{\sqrt{(n-1)S^2}}{\chi_{1-\alpha,n-1}}, \qquad L_l = \frac{\sqrt{(n-1)S^2}}{\chi_{\alpha,n-1}}.$$

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Suppose we obtain n = 70 sample points from simulation.

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M_{2} = 1.67 = Round[RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[4.5, 2], 76], 0.01]

M_{2} = 1.67, 3.6, 2.67, 11.3, 3.86, 2.67, 4.43, 5.86, 3.12, 2.86, 7.24, 3.31, 4.98, 6.68, 3.27, 6.32,

3.94, 4.14, 4.9, 1.98, 7.27, 5.84, 1.33, 7.86, 4.12, 2.39, 9., 5.03, 6.03, 7.85, 1.94, 3.52, 5.49, 6.57,

8.9, 7.73, 5.18, 4.3, 7.37, 5.02, 6.82, 1.24, 3.66, 0.94, 2.22, 5.37, 3.13, 2.44, 3.43, 3.89, 4.53, 1.37,

4.88, 3.15, 1.63, 0.62, 3.49, 3.06, 2.76, 5.47, 3.26, 5.77, 6.64, 5.74, 2.19, 1.42, 3.82, 2.76, 2.29, 6.93
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We would like to:

- 1. visualize these data points,
- obtain point estimates for mean and variance (suppose they are unknown), and
- 3. obtain interval estimates for
 - 3.1 mean when variance is known,
 - 3.2 mean and variance when variance is unknown.

Histogram. Using Freedman-Diaconis Rule,

$$q_1 = 2.76$$
, $q_3 = 5.84$ \Rightarrow IQR = $q_3 - q_1 = 3.08$,

and

$$h = \frac{2IQR}{\sqrt{n}} = 0.736261 \approx 0.74$$
 (rounding up).

Then the lower bound of the first bin is

$$\min\{x_i\} - \text{pre.}/2 = 0.62 - 0.005 = 0.615.$$

Histogram.

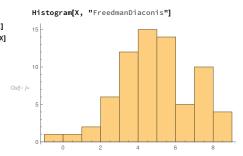
hn(+)= {q1, q2, q3} = Quartiles[X]
iqr = InterquartileRange[X]
h = 2 iqr / Sqrt[70]
Min[X] = 0.005

Out[*]= {2.76, 3.915, 5.84}

Out[-]= 3.08

Out[-]= 0.736261

Out[-]= 0.615



Stem-and-leaf diagram. We use stem units as 1.

m[*]:= Needs["StatisticalPlots"]StemLeafPlot[Floor[X, 0.1], IncludeEmptyStems \rightarrow True]

	Stem	Leaves
Out[\circ]=	0	69
	1	23346699
	2	1223466778
	3	0111223445668889
	4	11345899
	5	0013447788
	6	0356689
	7	223788
	8	9
	9	0
	10	
	11	3

Stem units: 1

Boxplots. The inner fences and outer fences are determined as

$$f_1 = q_1 - \frac{3}{2}IQR = -1.86,$$
 $f_3 = q_3 + \frac{3}{2}IQR = 10.46,$ $F_1 = q_1 - 3IQR = -6.48,$ $F_3 = q_3 + 3IQR = 15.08,$

and adjacent values

$$a_1 = \min\{x_k : x_k \ge f_1\}, \qquad a_3 = \max\{x_k : x_k \le f_3\}.$$

$$\text{Mathematica commands} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = a_1 - a_2 + a_1 \\ a_2 = a_1 + a_2 + a_2 \\ a_3 = a_3 + a_3 + a_2 \\ a_4 = a_1 + a_2 \\ a_5 = a_2 + a_3 + a_3 \end{cases}$$

$$a_1 = \min\{x_k : x_k \le f_3\}.$$

Boxplots.

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BoxWhiskerChart[
       X, {"Outliers", {"Outliers", Blue}, {"FarOutliers", Red}},
       AspectRatio → 1/7, BarOrigin → Left,
       GridLines → {{{a3, Dashed}}, {F3, Dashed}}, None}, ImageSize → Large, FrameTicks → {
         {None, None},
         {Range[Min[Floor[X, 0.1]], Max[Ceiling[X, 0.1]]],
          {{q1, "q1"}, {q2, "q2"}, {q3, "q3"}, {a3, "near"}, {F3, "far"}}}}
                                                                   near
Out[ o ]=
            0.6
                   1.6
                         2.6
                                3.6
                                      4.6
                                             5.6
                                                   6.6
                                                          7.6
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                                                                       9.6
                                                                             10.6
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Point estimate for mean and variance. We use unbiased estimators for mean and variance.

Mean.

$$\widehat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i = 4.38.$$

Variance.

$$\widehat{\sigma^2} = S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \overline{X})^2 = 4.90.$$

Interval estimate for mean and variance.

▶ Mean. (Variance $\sigma^2 = 4$.) A 95% two-sided confidence interval for mean μ is given by

$$CI = \left[\overline{X} - \frac{z_{\alpha/2}\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \overline{X} + \frac{z_{\alpha/2}\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right] = [3.91, 4.85].$$

▶ Mean. (Variance unknown.) A 95% two-sided confidence interval for mean μ is given by

$$CI = \left[\overline{X} - \frac{t_{\alpha/2, n-1}S}{\sqrt{n}}, \overline{X} + \frac{t_{\alpha/2, n-1}S}{\sqrt{n}} \right] = [3.21, 5.55].$$

ightharpoonup Variance. A 95% two-sided confidence interval for variance $σ^2$ is given by

$$CI = \left[\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha/2, n-1}}, \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2, n-1}} \right] = [3.60, 7.05].$$



Thanks for your attention!