

1. X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample from a distribution having a p.d.f of the form. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda x^{\lambda-1} & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ Find a complete sufficient statistic for λ . Justify your answer

• **Step1: Proof sufficient**

From Fisher–Neyman factorization theorem (2019-2-14p5)

$$f(x|\lambda) = L(\lambda) = \lambda^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\lambda-1} = \lambda^n e^{(\lambda-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i} \cdot 1 = k(t|\lambda)h(\vec{x})$$

$h(\vec{x}) = 1$ is free of λ . So $T = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i$ is a sufficient statistic for λ .

• **Step2: Proof complete**

$f(x|\lambda)$ is a member of the exponential family (2019-2-19p12). By the Theorem of Complete Statistics in the exponential family

$$f(x|\vec{\lambda}) = \lambda^n e^{\sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda-1) \ln x_i} = h(x)c(\vec{\lambda})e^{\sum_{j=1}^k W_j(\vec{\lambda})t_j(x)}$$

For pdf $f(x) > 0$ and $x^{\lambda-1} > 0$, $\lambda > 0$. $\{W_1(\vec{\lambda}), \dots, W_k(\vec{\lambda})\}$ contains an open interval in \mathbb{R} , so $T(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i$ is a complete sufficient statistic for λ .

2. Let Y_n be the n^{th} order statistic of a random sample of size n from the normal distribution $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$. Prove that $Y_n - \bar{Y}$ and \bar{Y} are independent.

• **Step1: θ is a location parameter**

Let $x = y - \theta$. For $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$ is a location family of densities (2018. 11. 20p7),

$$g(y|\theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} = f(x) = f(y - \theta)$$

Thus, θ is a location parameter.

• **Step2: $Y_n - \bar{Y}$ is location invariant**(2019-2-21p4-6)

Let $g = Y_n - \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{(n)} - y_i)$. Consider the group of transformations defined by $\mathcal{G} = \{g_a(y_1, \dots, y_n), -\infty < a < \infty\}$, where $g_a = (y_1 + a, \dots, y_n + a)$. From Definition 6.4.2

$$g_{-a}(g_a) = g_{-a}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_{(n)} - (y_1 + a)]\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_{(n)} - (y_1 + a - a)] = g$$

$$g_{a_2}(g_{a_1}) = g_{a_2}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_{(n)} - (y_1 + a_1)]\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_{(n)} - (y_1 + a_1 + a_2)] = g_{a_1+a_2}$$

Thus, the joint distribution of $Y_n - \bar{Y}$ is in \mathcal{F} and hence \mathcal{F} is location invariant under \mathcal{G} .

• **step3: $Y_n - \bar{Y}$ is ancillary statistic for θ**

$f(y|\theta)$ is a location parameter family with cdf $F(y - \theta)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$. Let $W = Y_n - \bar{Y}$. From Theorem 3.5.6, let Z_n, \bar{Z} iid from $F(y)$ (corresponding to $\theta = 0$ or $f(y|0)$ 2019-2-19p6) with $Y_n = Z_n + \theta, \bar{Y} = \bar{Z} + \theta$. Thus the cdf of the W is

$$F_W(w|\theta) = P_\theta(W \leq w) = P_\theta(Y_n - \bar{Y} \leq w) = P_\theta(Z_n + \theta - (\bar{Z} + \theta) \leq w) = P_\theta(Z_n - \bar{Z} \leq w)$$

The last probability does not depend on θ because the distribution of Z_n, \bar{Z} does not depend on θ . Thus, the cdf of $W = Y_n - \bar{Y}$ does not depend on θ , $W = Y_n - \bar{Y}$ is an ancillary statistic.

- **step4: For $Y \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, \bar{Y} is sufficient statistic for θ**

Let $Y = f(y|\theta) \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2)$,

$$f(\bar{y}|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y_i-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) = \frac{1}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-\theta)^2} = \frac{1}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-\bar{y}+\bar{y}-\theta)^2}$$

For $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y}) = 0$, $\sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y} - \theta)^2 = n(\bar{y} - \theta)^2$, the part of exponent is

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n [(y_i - \bar{y})^2 + 2(y_i - \bar{y})(\bar{y} - \theta) + (\bar{y} - \theta)^2] = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 + n(\bar{y} - \theta)^2]$$

Let $\bar{Y} = g(\bar{y}|\theta) \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2/n)$, $g(\bar{y}|\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

$$\frac{f(y|\theta)}{g(\bar{y}|\theta)} = \frac{\frac{1}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-\bar{y})^2 + n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2]}}{\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{n-1}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-\bar{y})^2}$$

which is free of θ (6.2.2). For every \bar{y} in the sample space, the ratio $f(\bar{y}|\theta)/g(\bar{y}|\theta)$ is constant as a function of θ , then \bar{Y} is a sufficient statistic for θ .

- **step5: $\bar{Y} \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2/n)$ is a complete sufficient statistic for θ .**

Method 1: from (2019-2-19p7-9)

For $\bar{Y} \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2/n)$, the family of is $\left\{ \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} : -\infty < \theta < \infty \right\}$ Suppose that $E[g(\bar{Y})] = 0 \forall \theta$

$$\int_0^\infty g(\bar{y}) f(\bar{y}) d\bar{y} = \int_0^\infty g(\bar{y}) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\bar{y} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty g(\bar{y}) e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\bar{y} = 0$$

For $\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \neq 0$, $\frac{d}{dx} \int_v^{u(x)} f(t) dt = u'(x) f[u(x)] - v'(x) f[v(x)]$, then

$$0 = \frac{d}{d\theta} E[g(\bar{Y})] = \frac{d}{d\theta} \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty g(\bar{y}) e^{-\frac{n(\bar{y}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\bar{y} \right] = 0 - \theta' [g(\theta) e^{-\frac{n(\theta-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2}}] = -g(\theta)$$

So $g(\theta) = 0, \forall \theta$, then $P(g(T) = 0) = 1$. Thus, \bar{Y} is a complete statistic.

Method 2: from (2019-2-19p12)

$f(y|\theta)$ is a member of the exponential family,

$$f(y|\vec{\theta}) = \frac{1}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-\theta)^2} = e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2}{2\sigma^2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{n\theta^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{\frac{\theta}{\sigma^2} n\bar{y}} = h(y) c(\vec{\theta}) e^{\sum_{j=1}^k W_j(\vec{\theta}) t_j(y)}$$

For $\{W_1(\vec{\theta}), \dots, W_k(\vec{\theta})\}$ contains an open interval in \mathbb{R} , so $T(\vec{y}) = \bar{y}$ is a complete sufficient statistic.

- **step6: By Basu's theorem, an acillary statistic $Y_n - \bar{Y}$ and a complete sufficient statistic \bar{Y} are independent.** (2019-2-19p10)

3. Suppose that $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \text{i.i.d.}$ $f(x|\theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, x > 0$. Assume that the prior distribution of θ is $\pi(\theta) = \lambda e^{-\lambda \theta}, \theta > 0$

a. Find the posterior distribution $\pi(\theta|\vec{x})$. '2019-2-26p8-9, p11-p13' '2019-2-28p8 Exapmle 2.3.8'

For $L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\theta e^{-\theta x_i}) = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$, $\pi(\theta) = \lambda e^{-\lambda \theta}$,

and the kernel of a function is the main part of the function, the part that remains when constants are disregarded. that is

$$\pi(\theta|\vec{x}) \propto L(\theta)\pi(\theta) = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum x_i} \lambda e^{-\lambda \theta} \propto \theta^{n+1-1} e^{-\theta(\lambda + \sum x_i)}, \quad x > 0, \theta > 0$$

which is $Gamma(\alpha = n + 1, \beta = \frac{1}{\lambda + \sum x_i})$ distribution.

b. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming square-error loss. ‘2019-2-28p1’

Suppose $L_0(\hat{\theta}) = (\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2$. For Gamma distribution, $E[L_0(\hat{\theta})|\vec{x}]$ is minimized when

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = E[\theta|\vec{x}] = \alpha\beta = \frac{n+1}{\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

which is the posterior mean.

c. writing this estimator as a weighted (arithmetic, geometric, or harmonic) average of the MLE and some prior constant

$$f(\vec{x}|\theta) = L(\theta) = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

$$l(\theta) = n \ln \theta - \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i$$

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}}$$

$$\pi(\theta) = \lambda e^{-\lambda \theta} \sim Expo(\lambda), E[\theta] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Thus, we can write this estimator as

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n+1}(\lambda + n\bar{x})} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n+1}(\frac{1}{1/\lambda} + \frac{n}{1/\bar{x}})}$$

which is the weighted hamonic mean of $1/\lambda$ and $1/\bar{x}$. $1/\lambda$ is the prior mean and $1/\bar{x}$ is the MLE of θ .

d. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming absolute loss. ‘2019-2-28p4,9’

Suppose $L_1(\hat{\theta}) = |\hat{\theta} - \theta|$. $E[|\hat{\theta} - \theta|]$ is minimized when

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = median[\theta|\vec{x}]$$

The posterior median is $\hat{\theta} = F^{-1}(\frac{1}{2})$. $F(x)$ is the $Gamma(\alpha = n + 1, \beta = \frac{1}{\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i})$ cdf. $\hat{\theta}$ doesn't have a closed form.

e. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming binary loss. ‘2019-2-28p5-6’

Suppose $L_0(\hat{\theta}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \hat{\theta} = \theta \\ 1 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$.

$$E[L_0(\hat{\theta})|\vec{x}] = 0 \cdot P[\theta = \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}] + 1 \cdot P[\theta \neq \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}] = P[\theta \neq \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}] = 1 - P[\theta = \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}]$$

To minimize this, maximize $P[\theta = \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}]$

When $\hat{\theta}$ is the posterior mode, it is a Maximum A Posteriori estimator. For the mode of Gamma distribution is $(\alpha - 1)\beta$

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = \text{mode}[\theta|\vec{x}] = (\alpha - 1)\beta = \frac{n}{\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

which is the posterior mode.

4. Redo all of problem 3, using the non-informative prior $\pi(\theta) = 1, \theta > 0$. Note that this is not a valid density function since its integral is infinite, but proceed with it anyway

a. Find the posterior distribution $\pi(\theta|\vec{x})$. '2019-2-26p8-9'

For $\pi(\theta) = 1, \theta > 0, L(\theta) = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum x_i}$, from the kernel of function,

$$\pi(\theta|\vec{x}) \propto L(\theta)\pi(\theta) = \theta^{n+1-1} e^{-\theta \sum x_i} \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = n + 1, \beta = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i})$$

b. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming square-error loss

Suppose $L_0(\hat{\theta}) = (\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2$. $E[L_0(\hat{\theta})|\vec{x}]$ is minimized when

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = E[\theta|\vec{x}] = \alpha\beta = \frac{n + 1}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

which is the posterior mean.

c. writing this estimator as a weighted (arithmetic, geometric, or harmonic) average of the MLE and some prior constant

For $1/\bar{x}$ is the MLE of θ , we can write this estimator as

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n+1}(1 \times 0 + n\bar{x})} = \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n+1}(\frac{1}{c} + \frac{n}{1/\bar{x}})}$$

which is the weighted harmonic mean of c and $1/\bar{x}$. c is the prior constant as $c \rightarrow \infty$, $1/\bar{x}$ is the MLE of θ .

d. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming absolute loss

Suppose $L_1(\hat{\theta}) = |\hat{\theta} - \theta|$. $E[|\hat{\theta} - \theta|]$ is minimized when

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = \text{median}[\theta|\vec{x}]$$

The posterior median is $\hat{\theta} = F^{-1}(\frac{1}{2})$. $F(x)$ is the $\text{Gamma}(\alpha = n + 1, \beta = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i})$ cdf. $\hat{\theta}$ doesn't have a closed form.

e. Find the Bayes estimator of θ , assuming binary loss

Suppose $L_0(\hat{\theta}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \hat{\theta} = \theta \\ 1 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$. $E[L_0(\hat{\theta})|\vec{x}] = 1 - P[\theta = \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}]$ To minimize this, maximize $P[\theta = \hat{\theta}|\vec{x}]$

When $\hat{\theta}$ is the posterior mode, it is a Maximum A Posteriori estimator. For the mode of Gamma distribution is $(\alpha - 1)\beta$

$$\hat{\theta}_{Bayes} = \text{mode}[\theta|\vec{x}] = (\alpha - 1)\beta = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}}$$

which is the posterior mode.

5. Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \text{iid}$. $f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{-\theta-1}$, $x_i > 1, \theta > 2$.

a. Find $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$, the maximum likelihood estimator of θ . '2019-2-2p12'

$$f(\vec{x}|\theta) = L(\theta) = \theta^n (\prod_{i=1}^n x_i)^{-\theta-1} = \theta^n e^{(-\theta-1)\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i} \quad l(\theta) = n \ln \theta - (\theta + 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \quad l'(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i}$$

b. Find the expected value of $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$.

- Method 1

Let $Y_i = \ln x_i$, then $X = e^y$, $\frac{dx}{dy} = e^y$ $g(Y) = \theta(e^y)^{-\theta-1}e^y = \theta e^{-y\theta}$, $y > 0$

So $Y_i = \ln x_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = n, \beta = \frac{1}{\theta})$

We know if $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, then $E[Y^k] = \frac{\beta^k \Gamma(\alpha+k)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$, then

$$E[\hat{\theta}] = nE[Y^{-1}] = n \frac{\beta^{-1} \Gamma(\alpha-1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \frac{n\theta \Gamma(n-1)}{\Gamma(n)} = \frac{n\theta(n-2)!}{(n-1)!} = \frac{n\theta}{n-1}$$

- Method 2

By 2.1.10 Probability integral transformation, let $U_i = F_X(x|\theta) = \int_{-\infty}^x \theta x^{-\theta-1} dx = 1 - \int_1^x \theta x^{-\theta-1} dx = 1 - (-x^{-\theta}) \Big|_1^x = x^{-\theta} \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$,

By 5.6.3 the exponential-uniform transformation, $\sum_{i=1}^n \ln X = -\frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln U_i \sim \text{Gamma}(n, \frac{1}{\theta})$; $(\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i)^{-1} \sim \text{Inv-Gamma}(n, \frac{1}{\theta})$.

For a $\text{Inv-Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, $f_X(x) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{-\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{\beta}{x}}$, $x > 0$, $E[x^n] = \frac{\beta^n}{(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-n)}$.

Thus,

$$E[\hat{\theta}] = E\left[\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i}\right] = nE\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i\right)^{-1}\right] = \frac{n\theta}{n-1}$$

c. Find the variance of $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$.

From method 1,

$$E[\hat{\theta}^2] = n^2 E[Y^{-2}] = n^2 \frac{\beta^{-2} \Gamma(-2 + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \frac{n^2 \theta^2 \Gamma(n-2)}{\Gamma(n)} = \frac{n^2 \theta^2 (n-3)!}{(n-1)!} = \frac{n^2 \theta^2}{(n-1)(n-2)}$$

From method 2,

For Inv-Gamma(α, β), $E[x^n] = \frac{\beta^n}{(\alpha-1) \cdots (\alpha-n)}$, then

$$E[\hat{\theta}^2] = E \left[\frac{n^2}{(\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i)^2} \right] = n^2 E \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \right)^{-2} \right] = \frac{n^2 \theta^2}{(n-1)(n-2)}$$

Therefore,

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

d. Using $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$, create an unbiased estimator $\hat{\theta}_U$.

$E[\hat{\theta}] = \frac{n\theta}{n-1}$ is a biased estimator.

We can set $\frac{n-1}{n} E[\hat{\theta}] = E[\frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \frac{n\theta}{n-1}] = \theta$

Therefore, $E[\hat{\theta}_U] = E[\frac{n-1}{n} E[\hat{\theta}]] = \theta$

$$\hat{\theta}_U = \frac{n-1}{n} \hat{\theta}_{MLE} \text{ is an unbiased estimator.}$$

e. Find the variance of $\hat{\theta}_U$. '2019-3-5p12'

$$Var[\hat{\theta}_U] = Var\left[\frac{n-1}{n} \hat{\theta}_{MLE}\right] = \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^2 \frac{n^2 \theta^2}{(n-1)^2 (n-2)} = \frac{\theta^2}{n-2}$$

6. Refer to problem 5.

a. Find $\hat{\theta}_{MOM}$, the method of moments estimator of θ . '2019-2-21p8 7.2.1'

$$EX = \mu = \int_1^\infty x \theta x^{-\theta-1} dx = \theta \frac{1}{-\theta+1} x^{-\theta+1} \Big|_1^\infty = \frac{\theta}{\theta-1}$$

$$\text{Set } \bar{X} = \frac{\theta}{\theta-1} \implies \theta \bar{X} - \bar{X} = \theta \implies \theta(\bar{X} - 1) = \bar{X},$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MOM} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{x} - 1}$$

b. Using the delta method to approximate the expected value of $\hat{\theta}_{MOM}$. '2019-3-5p1, 2019-3-12'

For $EX = \mu = \frac{\theta}{\theta-1}$

$$E[X^2] = \int_1^\infty x^2 \theta x^{-\theta-1} dx = \theta \frac{1}{-\theta+2} x^{-\theta+2} \Big|_1^\infty = \frac{\theta}{\theta-2}$$

$$Var[X] = \sigma^2 = E[X^2] - E[X]^2 = \frac{\theta}{\theta-2} - \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{\theta(\theta-1)^2 - \theta^2(\theta-2)}{(\theta-1)^2(\theta-2)} = \frac{\theta^3 - 2\theta^2 + \theta - \theta^3 + 2\theta^2}{(\theta-1)^2(\theta-2)} = \frac{\theta}{(\theta-1)^2(\theta-2)}$$

Use a 2nd order Taylor series

$$g(x) = g(x_0) + g'(x_0)(x - x_0) + g''(x_0)\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{2} + R$$

Consider $g(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$, $g'(x) = \frac{(x-1) \times 1 - x \times 1}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{-1}{(x-1)^2}$, $g''(x) = \frac{2}{(x-1)^3}$

Choose $x_0 = EX = \mu$

$$g(x) = \frac{x}{x-1} \approx \frac{\mu}{\mu-1} + \frac{-1}{(\mu-1)^2}(x - \mu) + \frac{2}{(\mu-1)^3}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MOM} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{x}-1} \approx \frac{\mu}{\mu-1} + \frac{-1}{(\mu-1)^2}(\bar{x} - \mu) + \frac{1}{(\mu-1)^3}(\bar{x} - \mu)^2$$

$$E[\hat{\theta}_{MOM}] \approx \frac{\mu}{\mu-1} + 0 + \frac{1}{(\mu-1)^3} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \frac{\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}}{\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}-1} + \frac{1}{(\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}-1)^3} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{\theta}{(\theta-1)^2(\theta-2)} = \theta + \frac{\theta(\theta-1)}{n(\theta-2)}$$

c. Using the delta method to approximate the variance of $\hat{\theta}_{MOM}$. '2019-3-5p3'

$$Var[\hat{\theta}_{MOM}] \approx Var[g(x_0) + g'(x_0)(x - x_0)] = Var\left[\frac{\mu}{\mu-1} + \frac{1}{(\mu-1)^2}(\bar{x} - \mu)\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\mu-1)^4} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \frac{1}{(\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}-1)^4} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{\theta}{(\theta-1)^2(\theta-2)} = \frac{\theta(\theta-1)^2}{n(\theta-2)}$$