

2) Consistency: Show  $\bar{Z}_n$  is consistent estimator for  $\mu$

Prove  $\bar{Z}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$

Using Theorem of Converge in probability

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bar{Z}_n \in [\mu - \varepsilon, \mu + \varepsilon]) = 1$$

Let  $\mu$  be the value  $Z_n$  converges to

Let  $\varepsilon$  be some arbitrary small window

$\Rightarrow$  expanding the Probability

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{Z}_n \in [\mu - \varepsilon, \mu + \varepsilon]) &= P(\mu - \varepsilon \leq \bar{Z}_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon) \\ &= P(\bar{Z}_n \geq \mu - \varepsilon \cup \bar{Z}_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon) \\ &= P(\bar{Z}_n \geq \mu - \varepsilon) + P(\bar{Z}_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Here we Note that  $P(Z_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon)$  is just the cdf!

$\Rightarrow$  Following that each  $Z_i$  is independent

$$P(\bar{Z}_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(\bar{Z}_i \leq \mu + \varepsilon) = P(\bar{Z}_i \leq \mu + \varepsilon)^n$$

Using Probability axioms:

$$P(\bar{Z}_n \geq \mu - \varepsilon) = 1 - P(\bar{Z}_n \leq \mu - \varepsilon)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Thus plugging into

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{Z}_n \in \{\mu - \varepsilon, \mu + \varepsilon\}) &= P(\bar{Z}_n \leq \mu + \varepsilon) + P(\bar{Z}_n \geq \mu - \varepsilon) \\ &= P(\bar{Z}_i \leq \mu + \varepsilon)^n + \\ &\quad (1 - P(\bar{Z}_i \leq \mu + \varepsilon))^n \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

takes the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bar{Z}_n \in \{\mu - \varepsilon, \mu + \varepsilon\}) = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$$

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Hence  $\bar{Z}_n$  converge in probability to  $\mu$

2)

\* Easier prove: Since I prove that  $\bar{Z}_n$  is unbiased!  
and the problem give  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 = 0$

I want to show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V[\hat{\theta}] = 0$

From property of variance of an estimator

$$\begin{aligned} V[\bar{Z}_n] &= V\left[\frac{1}{n} (Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots + Z_n)\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} V[Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots + Z_n] \end{aligned}$$

$$V[\bar{Z}_n] = \frac{1}{n} V[Z_i] = \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n}$$

Plug it into

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V[\bar{Z}_n] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2}_{\text{given}} = 0$$

$$\text{so } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V[\bar{Z}_n] = 0 \quad \therefore \bar{Z}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$$