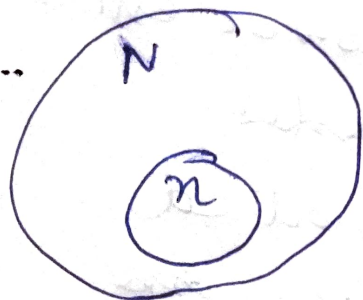


$(n-1)$  degrees of freedom for sample

variance



mean of population = parameter  $(\mu) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N}$

mean of sample = statistic  $(\bar{x}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$

$$\text{variance} = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}$$

(how much  
datapoints

vary from the mean)

$$\text{biased } S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

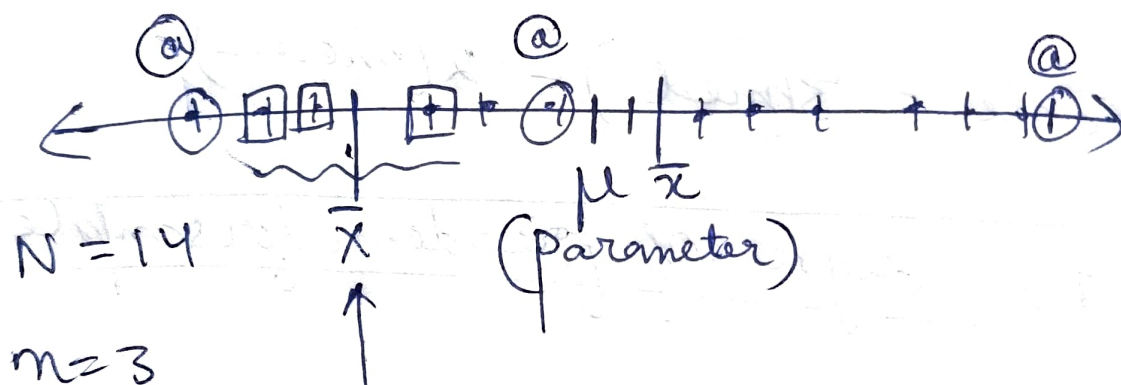
Unbiased estimate

$$S_{n-1}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)}$$

then we will get a larger value.

why  $S_n^2$  biased &  $S_{n-1}^2$  unbiased?

@  $\rightarrow$  1st distrib<sup>n</sup>  $\rightarrow$  where sample mean  $\bar{x}$  is very close to the  $\mu$  population mean.



$\square\square\square \rightarrow$  sample mean is not closed to the population mean. (much lower estimate than actual mean)

here  $S_n^2$  will be under estimated and smaller sample variances.

but  $S_{n-1}^2$  will be comparatively larger sample variances.