

Example 3: Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  represent a random sample taken from a population of values that is modeled by the following cumulative and probability distribution functions:

$$F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}, \quad f_X(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}}{\theta}, \quad x > 0$$

Find the relative efficiency of  $nX_{(1)}$  and  $\bar{X}$ . Interpret the meaning.

$$f_{X_{(1)}} = n[1 - F_X(x)]^{n-1} f_X(x) = n[1 - (1 - e^{-x/\theta})]^{n-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} [e^{-x/\theta}]^n$$

$$= \frac{n}{\theta} e^{-\frac{nx}{\theta}} \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

$$E[X_{(1)}] = \frac{n}{\theta} \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x/(\theta/n)} dx = \frac{n}{\theta} \Gamma(2) \left(\frac{\theta}{n}\right)^2 = \frac{\theta}{n}$$

$$E[nX_{(1)}] = n E[X_{(1)}] = \theta \Rightarrow nX_{(1)} \text{ is unbiased estimator for } \theta$$

$$E[(nX_{(1)})^2] = n^2 E[X_{(1)}^2] = n^2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{n}{\theta} x^2 e^{-x/(\theta/n)} dx = \frac{n^3}{\theta} \Gamma(3) \left(\frac{\theta}{n}\right)^3 = 2\theta^2$$

$$V[nX_{(1)}] = 2\theta^2 - [\theta]^2 = 2\theta^2 - \theta^2 = \theta^2$$

$$f_{\bar{X}}(x) = ? \quad M_{\bar{X}}(t) = E[e^{t\bar{X}}] = E[e^{t/n \sum X_i}] = \dots = \prod_{i=1}^n E[e^{t/n X_i}] = [1 - \theta \frac{t}{n}]^{-n}$$

$$\bar{X} \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = n, \beta = \frac{\theta}{n})$$

$$E[\bar{X}] = \alpha\beta = \frac{n\theta}{n} = \theta, \quad V[\bar{X}] = \alpha\beta^2 = n \frac{\theta^2}{n^2} = \frac{\theta^2}{n}$$

unbiased!

$$RE[nX_{(1)}, \bar{X}] = \frac{MSE[nX_{(1)}]}{MSE[\bar{X}]} = \frac{V[nX_{(1)}] + \beta[nX_{(1)}]^2}{V[\bar{X}] + \beta[\bar{X}]^2} = \frac{\theta^2}{(\theta^2/n)} = n$$

Depending on sample size  $n$ , ( $n > 1$ ),  $\bar{X}$  is an  $n$  times more efficient estimator for  $\theta$ , than is,  $nX_{(1)}$