

EECS 863 HW 7 6'08.

$$1. \hat{\sigma}^2(n) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[x_i^2 - \frac{2}{n} x_i \sum_{k=1}^n x_k + \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right)^2 \right]$$

If $\{x_i\}_n$ are iid, $E[x_i x_j] = E[x_i] E[x_j] = \mu^2$ $i \neq j$

and $E[x_i x_i] = E[x_i^2] = E[x^2] \quad \forall i$

$$E[\hat{\sigma}^2(n)] = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[E[x^2] - \frac{2}{n} (E[x^2] + (n-1)\mu^2) + \frac{1}{n^2} [n E[x^2] + (n^2 - n)\mu^2] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} (n) \left[\frac{n-2+1}{n} E[x^2] + \frac{-2n+2+n-1}{n} \mu^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} [(n-1) E[x^2] - (n-1) \mu^2]$$

$$= [E[x^2] - \mu^2] = \sigma^2 \quad \text{Done.}$$

2.

Sample of $\hat{\mu}(n)$

Sample of $\hat{\sigma}^2(n)$.

100 runs

0.6012

0.0477

40 runs

0.6258

0.0168

need $z_{99, 1-\alpha/2}$ and $z_{99, 1-\alpha/2}$: approx with $z_{100, 1-\alpha/2}$ and $z_{40, 1-\alpha/2}$

90% CI (use $t_{n-1, 0.95}$)

95% CI (use $t_{n-1, 0.975}$)

100 runs. 0.6012 ± 0.0363

0.6012 ± 0.0433

40 runs. 0.6258 ± 0.0345

0.6258 ± 0.0414

smaller C.I. width
→ slightly better estimate