

Chapter 7

⑦ Ignoring the finite population correction (makes sense when dealing with big population, like in this case), the formula for estimating standard error of a proportion is: $\hat{S}_p = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$

According to our information $\hat{S}_p = 0.02$ and $p = 0.15$, then

$$0.02 = \sqrt{\frac{0.15(1-0.15)}{n}} \Rightarrow n = 318.75 \approx 319$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(15a)} P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > 200) &= P(-(\bar{X} - \mu) < 200) + P((\bar{X} - \mu) > 200) \\ &= 2P((\bar{X} - \mu) > 200) = 2[1 - P((\bar{X} - \mu) < 200)] = 2[1 - P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} < \frac{200}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right)] \\ &= 2\left[1 - \Phi\left(\frac{200}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right)\right] \quad \text{where } \sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{n-1}{N-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$20 \leq n \leq 100, \quad N = 393 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - \bar{x}^2 = 589.$$

$$\text{b) } P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \Delta) = 2P(\bar{X} - \mu > \Delta) = 2\left[1 - P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} < \frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right)\right]$$

$$= 2\left[1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right)\right]$$

$$P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \Delta) = 0.10 \Leftrightarrow 2\left[1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right)\right] = 0.10$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) = 0.05 \Leftrightarrow \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) = 0.95 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} = 1.645$$

n	$\sigma_{\bar{X}}$	Δ_1	Δ_2
20	128.626	211.6	86.8

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{n-1}{N-1}} = \frac{589.7}{\sqrt{20}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{19}{392}} = 128.626$$

40	88.48	145.6	59.7
80	58.94	96.9	39.8

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 1.645 * 128.626 = 211.590$$

$$P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \Delta) = 0.50 \Leftrightarrow 2 \left[1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) \right] = 0.50$$

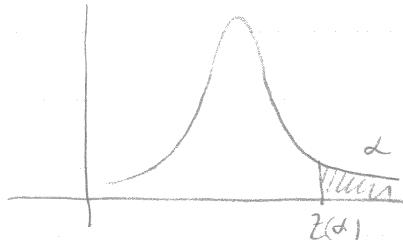
$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) = 0.25 \Leftrightarrow \Phi\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) = 0.75$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\Delta}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} = 0.675 \Leftrightarrow \Delta = 0.675 \times 128.626 = 86.823$$

$\sigma_{\bar{X}}$

⑦ If $N=50$, it means that the probability of the population mean lying within this interval is 0.9, which doesn't imply that 90% of the population lies within this interval.

- The CI is computed from $P\left(-z(\alpha/2) \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} \leq z(\alpha/2)\right) = 1 - \alpha$ where $z(\alpha)$ is the number such that the area under $N(0,1)$ to the right of $z(\alpha)$ is α .



For 100% CI with this confidence level, 95 will contain μ .

⑧ The width of the 95% CI for the mean is $k \sigma_{\bar{X}} = k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ ($k=1.96$). To halve it equal thus to

$\frac{k \sigma_{\bar{X}}}{2} = \frac{k \sigma}{2\sqrt{n}} = \frac{k \sigma}{\sqrt{4n}}$ therefore the sample size should be multiplied by 4.

(31) The 95% CI is formed as $T \pm 1.96 S_T$, so its width is

$3.92 S_T$ and we want $3.92 S_T = 500 \Leftrightarrow S_T = 127.551 \Leftrightarrow$

$$NS_{\hat{p}} = 127.551 \Leftrightarrow S_{\hat{p}} = \frac{127.551}{8000} = 0.0159 \text{ and } S_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})} \sqrt{\frac{1-n}{n}}$$

$$0.0159 = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n-1}} \sqrt{\frac{1-n}{N}} \quad \hat{p} = 0.12 \Rightarrow 0.0159 = \sqrt{\frac{0.12(1-0.12)}{n-1}} \sqrt{\frac{1-n}{8000}}$$

$$0.0159^2 = \frac{0.1056}{n-1} \left(1 - \frac{n}{8000}\right)$$

$$= \frac{0.1056}{n-1} - \frac{0.1056n}{8000(n-1)}$$
$$= \frac{84n.8 - 0.1056n}{8000(n-1)}$$

$$2.0225(n-1) = 84n.8 - 0.1056n$$

$$2.1281n = 846.8225$$

$$n = 397.9247$$

$$n \approx 398$$

(33) We know that $p_1 = p_2 = 0.5$ and we want $S_0 \leq 0.02$, so let

$$\sqrt{\frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n}} = 0.02 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{0.5 \cdot 0.5}{n} + \frac{0.5 \cdot 0.5}{n}} = 0.02 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{0.5}{n}} \geq 0.02 \Leftrightarrow n = 1250$$

$$⑭ \text{ a) } R = \frac{\bar{Y}}{\bar{X}} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i}{\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i} = \frac{\sum Y_i}{\sum X_i} = \frac{10000}{320} = 31.25$$

$$\bar{X} = 3.2$$

$$\bar{Y} = 100$$

$$\text{b) } S_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i^2 - \frac{(\sum x_i)^2}{n} \right] \\ = \frac{1}{99} \left[1250 - \frac{(320)^2}{100} \right] = 2.2828$$

$$S_y^2 = \frac{1}{99} \left[1100000 - \frac{(10000)^2}{100} \right] = 1010.101$$

$$S_{xy} = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i y_i - n \bar{X} \bar{Y} \right] \\ = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i y_i - n \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum y_i \right] \\ = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i y_i - \frac{\sum x_i \sum y_i}{n} \right] \\ = \frac{1}{99} \left[36000 - \frac{320 \cdot 10000}{100} \right] = 40.4040$$

$$S_R^2 = \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{n-1}{N-1} \right) \frac{1}{\bar{X}^2} (R^2 S_x^2 + S_y^2 - 2RS_{xy}) \\ = \frac{1}{99} \left(1 - \frac{99}{99999} \right) \frac{1}{(3.2)^2} (31.25^2 \cdot 2.2828 + 1010.1 - 2 \cdot 31.25 \cdot 40.4040) \\ = 0.839$$

$$90\% \text{ CI: } R \pm z_{\alpha/2} S_R \Leftrightarrow 31.25 \pm 1.96 \cdot 0.839 \Leftrightarrow 31.25 \pm 1.6444$$

$$c) T = \bar{N} = 100000 \cdot 100 = 10^7$$

90% CI: $T \pm z_{\alpha/2} S_T \Leftrightarrow T \pm 2\alpha/2 N S_{\bar{y}}$

$$S_{\bar{y}} = \frac{S_y}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{n}{N}} = \frac{\sqrt{1010.101}}{\sqrt{100}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{100}{100000}} = 3.1766$$

$$10^7 \pm 1.645 \cdot 100000 \cdot 3.1766 \Leftrightarrow 10^7 \pm 522550$$

$$\text{Note: } S_y = 31.7821 \Rightarrow 10^7 \pm 5228153$$

$$* S_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (x_i^2 - 2x_i\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i^2 - 2\bar{x} \sum x_i + \sum \bar{x}^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i^2 - 2\bar{x} n \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{n} \right) + n\bar{x}^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i^2 - 2n\bar{x}^2 + n \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{n} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x_i^2 - \frac{(\sum x_i)^2}{n} \right]$$

Chapter 6

⑤ Show that if $X \sim F_{m,n} \Rightarrow X^{-1} \sim F_{n,m}$

Let $Y = X^{-1}$, then

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^{-1} \leq y) = P(X \geq \frac{1}{y}) = 1 - P(X \leq \frac{1}{y}) = 1 - F_X(\frac{1}{y})$$

$$f_Y(y) = F_Y'(y) = \frac{d}{dy} [1 - F_X(\frac{1}{y})] = -f_X(\frac{1}{y}) \left(-\frac{1}{y^2}\right) = \frac{1}{y^2} f_X(\frac{1}{y})$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+m}{2})}{\Gamma(n)\Gamma(m)} \left(\frac{n}{m}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}x\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{y^2} f_X(\frac{1}{y}) = \frac{1}{y^2} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+m}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})\Gamma(\frac{m}{2})} \left(\frac{n}{m}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{y}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\frac{1}{y}\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{m+n}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \left(\frac{n}{m}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{y}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\frac{1}{y}\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{m+n}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{-\frac{n}{2}} y^{-\frac{n}{2}-1} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\frac{1}{y}\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{m+n}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{-\frac{m}{2}} y^{\frac{m}{2}-1} y^{-\frac{n}{2}-1} y^{-\frac{m+1}{2}} y^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\frac{1}{y}\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{m+n}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}} y^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{-\frac{m}{2}} y^{-\frac{n}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\frac{1}{y}\right)^{-\frac{n+m}{2}} =$$

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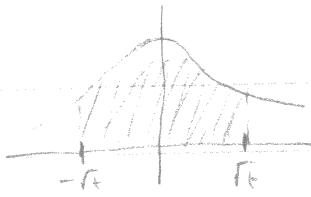
$$\Rightarrow Y \sim F_{n,m}$$

• Short version. Definition: If $U \sim \chi^2_m$ and $V \sim \chi^2_{n-1}$ are independent
then $X = \frac{U/n}{V/m} \sim F_{m,n}$. In this case $X^{-1} = \frac{V/m}{U/n} \sim F_{n,m}$

• Another version. General formula for quotient transformations

$$Z = \frac{Y}{X} \Rightarrow f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f_X(x) f_Y(xz) dx$$

⑥ Show that if $T \sim t_n$ then $T^2 \sim F_{1,n}$



$$F_{T^2}(t) = P(T^2 \leq t) = P(T \leq t^{\frac{1}{2}}) = P(-t^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq T \leq t^{\frac{1}{2}}) = 1 - 2P(T \leq -t^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$f_{T^2}(t) = F'_{T^2}(t) = -2F'(-t^{\frac{1}{2}})\left(\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{t}}\right) = \frac{1}{t} f_T(t^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$f_T(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}{\sqrt{n\pi} \Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{n}\right)^{-\frac{n+1}{2}}$$

$$t^{\frac{1}{2}} f_T(-t^{\frac{1}{2}}) = t^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}{\sqrt{n\pi} \Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left[1 + \frac{1}{n} (-t^{\frac{1}{2}})^2\right]^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} t^{\frac{1}{2}-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} t\right)^{-\frac{1+n}{2}}$$

$$\text{Note: } \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

- Short version. Definitions: If $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and $U_i \sim \chi^2_1$ are independent

then $T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/n}}$. In this case $T^2 = Z^2 = \frac{U}{n}$, where

$U \sim \chi^2_{n-1}$ then $T^2 \sim F_{1,n}$

(Chapter 8)

①	n	Observed
0		5267
1		4436
2		1800
3		534
4		111
5+		21
		<u>12169</u>

We first estimate the parameter λ of the Poisson distribution as the observed mean emission rate (total number of emission divided by total time) $\Rightarrow \bar{x} = 0.8392$

$$\pi_n = P(X=n) = \frac{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!} \quad \text{pn: probability of falling in cell n}$$

$$P_5 = P(X \geq 5) = 1 - P(X < 5) = 1 - (\pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 + \pi_4)$$

Pn	Expected
0.4321	5258
0.3626	4413
0.1521	1851
0.0426	518
0.0089	108
0.0017	21

Under the assumption $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{1269}$ are independent Poisson random variables, the number of observations falling in a given cell follows a binomial distribution with mean $12169 p_n$.

So they qualitatively match the observed counts.

- ⑤ X has distribution $P(X=1)=\theta, P(X=2)=1-\theta$

Sample: $x_1=1, x_2=2, x_3=2$

- a) Find the method of moments estimate of θ

$$E(X) = \sum_i x_i P(X=x) = 1\theta + 2(1-\theta) = \theta + 2 - 2\theta = 2 - \theta$$

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{1}{3} (1+2+2) = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Method of moments: } E(X) = \hat{\mu} \Rightarrow 2 - \theta = \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = 2 - \frac{5}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

- b) Likelihood function: $\text{lik}(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) = \theta (1-\theta)^2$

- c) MLE of θ $L(\theta) = \log(\theta) + 2 \log(1-\theta)$

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{2}{1-\theta}$$

$$l'(\theta) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{2}{1-\theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{2}{1-\theta}$$

$$1-\theta = 2\theta$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{3}$$

d) Posterior density of Likelihood \times Prior density

$$f_{\theta|x}(\theta|x) \propto \theta(1-\theta)^2 \cdot 1 = \theta^{2-1}(1-\theta)^{3-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\theta|x}(\theta|x) = \frac{1}{B(2,3)} \theta(1-\theta)^2 \rightarrow \text{Beta}(2,3)$$

$$E(\theta) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} = \frac{2}{2+3} = \frac{2}{5}$$

⑦ $X \sim \text{Geo}(p) \Rightarrow f(x) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$ Assume an iid sample of size n

a) Find the method of moments estimate of p

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{p} \quad \hat{p} = \bar{x}$$

$$\text{MOM: } \frac{1}{p} = \bar{x} \Rightarrow p = 1/\bar{x}$$

b) Find the MLE of p

$$\text{lik}(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(1-p)^{x_i-1} = p^n (1-p)^{\sum x_i - n}$$

$$l(\theta) = n \log(p) + (\sum x_i - n) \log(1-p)$$

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{n}{p} - \frac{\sum x_i - n}{1-p} \quad l'(\theta) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{p} - \frac{\sum x_i - n}{1-p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\frac{n}{p} = \frac{\sum x_i - n}{1-p} \Leftrightarrow n(1-p) = (\sum x_i - n)p \Leftrightarrow n = \sum x_i p \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{n}{\sum x_i} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}}$$

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c) The large sample distribution of the MLE is approximately $N(\theta_0, 1/nI(\theta_0))$ where $I(\theta) = -E\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log L(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\right]$ and θ_0 is the true value of θ . Thus, the asymptotic variance is (here $\theta_0 = p$)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{nI(\theta_0)} &= -\frac{1}{nE\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial p^2} \log L(p|1-p)^{x_i}\right]} = -\frac{1}{nE\left[-\frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{x_i-1}{(1-p)^2}\right]} = \\ \frac{1}{\frac{n}{p^2} + \frac{n}{(1-p)^2} \left[-\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) - 1 \right]} &= \frac{1}{\frac{n}{p^2} + \frac{n}{p(1-p)^2} - \frac{n}{(1-p)^2}} = \\ \frac{1}{\frac{n(1-p)^2 + np - np^2}{p^2(1-p)^2}} &= \frac{p^2(1-p)^2}{n+2np+np^2+n-p^2} = \frac{p^2(1-p)^2}{n-np} = \\ \frac{p^2(1-p)^2}{n(1-p)} &= \frac{p^2(1-p)}{n}\end{aligned}$$

d) Posterior & Likelihood · Prior

$$f_{\text{Post}}(\mathbf{x}|p, \alpha, \beta) \propto p^n (1-p)^{\sum x_i - n} \cdot 1 \Rightarrow f_{\text{Post}}(\mathbf{x}|p, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{p^{(n+1)-1} (1-p)^{(\sum x_i - n+1)-1}}{B(n+1, \sum x_i - n+1)}$$

$$E(p) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} = \frac{n+1}{n+1 + \sum x_i - n+1} = \frac{n+1}{\sum x_i + 1}$$

⑨ Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

a) If μ is known, what is the MLE of σ ?

From the log likelihood function we obtain the following partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_i (X_i - \mu) \quad \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \sigma} = -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \sigma^{-3} \sum_i (X_i - \mu)^2$$

Setting the second one equal to zero we obtain: $0 = -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \sigma^{-3} \sum_i (X_i - \mu)^2 \Leftrightarrow$

$$-n = \sigma^{-2} \sum_i (X_i - \mu)^2 \Leftrightarrow \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (X_i - \mu)^2}{n} \Leftrightarrow \hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \mu)^2}$$

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b) If σ is known what is the MLE for μ ?

Now setting the first partial derivative to zero we obtain

$$\partial = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu) \Leftrightarrow \sigma = \sum x_i - n\mu \Leftrightarrow \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i = \bar{x}$$

c) In the case σ known, does any other unbiased estimate of μ have smaller variance?

According to the Cramér-Rao inequality, for an estimate $\hat{\mu}$ of μ

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) \geq \frac{1}{n I(\mu)}$$

$$\log f(x|\mu) = -\log \sigma - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x-\mu)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \log f(x|\mu)}{\partial \mu} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} 2 (x-\mu) + 1 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (x-\mu)$$

$$I(\mu) = E \left[\left(\frac{\partial \log f(x|\mu)}{\partial \mu} \right)^2 \right] = E \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} (x-\mu) \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} E[(x-\mu)^2] = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^4} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\text{Thus } \text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) \geq \frac{1}{n I(\mu)} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

$$\text{But } \text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) = \text{Var}(\bar{x}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum x_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum \text{Var}(x_i) = \frac{1}{n^2} n \sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

So $\hat{\mu}$ reaches the Cramér-Rao lower bound, therefore there's no other estimate with smaller variance.