# 2. Confindence Intervals with

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# 0.1 2. Confidence Intervals with the Bootstrap

In the second lecture we learned that the bootstrap can be used to create asymptotically valid confidence intervals for the parameter  $\theta$  by

$$C_n = \left(q_{boot}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right), q_{boot}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\right),$$

where  $q_{boot}(\beta)$  is the  $\beta$ -sample quantile of the bootstrapped estimators  $\hat{\theta}^{(1)}, ..., \hat{\theta}^{(B)}$ .

In this exercise we are interested in constructing confidence intervals for the population median, i.e.,  $\theta = \text{median}(X)$ , based on an i.i.d. sample  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ .

### 1. Implementation of Bootstrapped Confidence Intervals

- a) Write down the idea behind the bootstrap in your own words.
- b) Implement the bootstrapped confidence intervals as defined above in a function bootstrap\_ci. In your implementation use the following arguments:
  - X: A pandas DataFrame containing the sample  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ .
  - alpha: Significance level
  - B: Number of Bootstrap repetitions

The function should return a bootstrapped  $(1-\alpha)$ -confidence interval as a numpy.ndarray.

- 2. Simulation Study for Bootstrapped Confidence Intervals Set up a simulation study that illustrates the asymptotic validity of the bootstrap-based confidence intervals. Implement the following setting in your simulation: Let  $X_i, \ldots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $\mu = 10$  and  $\sigma^2 = 5$ .
  - a) Generate the data set according to this setting with a sample of size n=200 and demonstrate that your implementation of bootstrap\_ci provides a  $(1-\alpha)$ -confidence interval. Set  $\alpha=0.1$  and B=500. Does the confidence interval cover the true median? (Set np.random.seed(1234))
  - b) Repeat your calculation in part a) 100 times and count in how many cases your confidence interval covers the true median. Does the confidence interval maintain the coverage probability  $1-\alpha$ ?
  - c) Run your simulation from part b) for different sample sizes, i.e., for n = 40 and n = 100. Summarize your findings on the coverage of the confidence intervals. How does the average

length of the confidence intervals change if n is increased by a factor of 2.5, and 5, respectively? (*Hint*: Calculate the average length as the mean of the length of the confidence intervals over all repetitions)

- **3. Application to Oregon Health Experiment** Load the Data from the Oregon Health Experiment (Oregon.csv) and use your bootstrap based estimator for the confidence intervals to answer the following questions:
  - a) Set up a 0.90-confidence interval for the median of the variable hhinc\_pctfpl\_12m.
  - b) Can you reject the hypothesis that the median of the variable hhinc\_pctfpl\_12m is equal to 72 at a significance level  $\alpha = 0.05$ ?

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[131]: #a explain idea behind bootstrap
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Bootstrapping is a statistic method for resempling data. The main aspect of bootstrapping is to repeat statistics based on one sample. It is used when f. e. if the theoretical distribution of the statistics is not known. The sample function is calculated repeatedly on the basis of the sub-samples drawn and the distribution properties of a sample are examined on the basis of these results.

The following code shows the implementation with the difinition of the bootstrap under certain arguments like x as the data frame that includes the observation, B as the number of times for a bootstrap to repeat, alpha as the likelihood that the true parameter lies outside the confidence interval.

#### 0.1.1 Set up Data

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[132]: #a) set up sample with seed

import numpy as np
import scipy.stats as stats
import pandas as pd

def generate_data(N):  #data set size "N", not to be confused
    with sample size "n"
    mu = 10
    sigma = 5
    data = np.random.normal(mu, sigma, N)
    data = pd.DataFrame(data = data)
    return data
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## 0.1.2 Implementation of Bootstrapped Confidence Intervals

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[133]: #a) set up boostrap function

import math
import statistics as st
import pandas as pd
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B=500
       alpha = 0.1
       def boostrap_ci(X, alpha, B):
                                                       #sample drawn from data set need_
        → to be incoprorate into boostrap_ci
           sample medians = []
           for s in range(B):
               sample = X.sample(n=len(X), replace=True)
                                                                       #draw sample_
        → from generated data 500 times
               sample_median = np.median(sample)
                                                                   #find median of that
        \hookrightarrow sample
               sample_medians.append(sample_median)
                                                                   #include that median
        \rightarrow to the median list
           var_boot_sample = np.var(sample_medians)*1/(500-1) #find variance of_
        \rightarrowmedian list
           std_boot_sample = math.sqrt(var_boot_sample) #convert variance to__
        \hookrightarrow standart deviation
           quantile_left = np.quantile(sample_medians, q = alpha/2)
        →#calculate left quantile
           quantile_right = np.quantile(sample_medians, q = 1-alpha/2)
        \rightarrow#calculate right quantile
           confidence_interval2 = (quantile_left, quantile_right)
        →#calcualte confidence interval
           return confidence_interval2
[112]: np.random.seed(1234)
       X = generate_data(200)
       boostrap_ci(X, alpha, B)
[112]: (9.590264740866674, 11.076342904847216)
[113]: data_median = np.median(generate_data(200))
[114]: data_median
[114]: 9.982856837523084
      0.1.3 Simulation Study for Bootstrapped Confidence Intervals
[115]: #b) set up sample without seed to repeat 100 times
       def repeat_boostrap_ci(n):
           #set up repeat
           k = 100
                                #times to repeat
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intervals =[]
for i in range(k):

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X = generate_data(n)
                                                                  #a new sample generated_
        \rightarrow 100 times
               confidence_interval2 = boostrap_ci(X, alpha, B)
               intervals.append(confidence_interval2)
           return intervals
[116]: intervals_200 = repeat_boostrap_ci(200)
[117]: def covers median(intervals):
           #check if confidence interval covers true median
           count = 0
           for i in intervals:
               if i[0] < data_median and i[1] > data_median:
                    count +=1
           print("it covers the true median", count, "percent of the time")
           return count
[118]: coverage_200 = covers_median(intervals_200)
       coverage_200
      it covers the true median 93 percent of the time
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      the coverage probability has decreased from (1-alpha) 90% to see above
[119]: \#c) run simulation for different samples sizes and determine average length of
        \hookrightarrow ci
       def mean_ci_length(intervals):
           #calculate average length of confidence interval
           for i in intervals:
               all ci lengths = []
               ci_length = i[1]-i[0]
               all_ci_lengths.append(ci_length)
           mean_ci_length = st.mean(all_ci_lengths)
           print("mean interval length is", mean_ci_length)
           return mean_ci_length
[120]: mean_200 = mean_ci_length(intervals_200)
       mean_200
      mean interval length is 1.3839659853014261
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[121]: #c simulation for different samples sizes
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       intervals_40 = repeat_boostrap_ci(40)
       coverage_40 = covers_median(intervals_40)
       mean_40 = mean_ci_length(intervals_40)
      it covers the true median 88 percent of the time
      mean interval length is 4.600910797240228
[123]: #100 (increase by a factor of 2.5)
       intervals_100 = repeat_boostrap_ci(100)
       coverage_100 = covers_median(intervals_100)
       mean_100 = mean_ci_length(intervals_100)
      it covers the true median 92 percent of the time
      mean interval length is 1.8833411249316665
[127]: #simulation summary
       print("Sample size:", 40, 100, 200)
       print("Coverage:", coverage 40, coverage 100, coverage 200)
       print("average interval length:", round(mean_40,2), round(mean_100, 2), u
        →round(mean 200, 2))
      Sample size: 40 100 200
      Coverage: 88 92 93
      average interval length: 4.6 1.88 1.38
      0.1.4 Application to Oregon Health Experiment
 []: Need Data Set
[140]: from numpy import genfromtxt
       #my_data = genfromtxt('Oregon.csv', delimiter=',')
[141]: | #data = pd.read_csv('Oregon.csv', header=None)
       values = data.values
              NameError
                                                         Traceback (most recent call
       →last)
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NameError: name 'data' is not defined

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