Homework 1: Confidence Intervals and Bootstrapping

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This assignment is due on Gradescope by **Friday January 31 at 5:00PM**. Your solutions to theoretical questions should be done in Markdown directly below the associated question. Your solutions to computational questions should include any specified R code and results as well as written commentary on your conclusions. Remember that you are encouraged to discuss the problems with your classmates, but **you must write all code and solutions on your own**.

NOTES:

- There are 4 total questions on this assignment.
- If you're not familiar with typesetting math directly into Markdown then by all means, do your work on paper first and then typeset it later. Remember that there is a reference guide linked here. **All** of your written commentary, justifications and mathematical work should be in Markdown.
- Because you can technically evaluate notebook cells in a non-linear order, it's a good idea to do Kernel → Restart & Run All as a check before submitting your solutions. That way if we need to run your code you will know that it will work as expected.
- It is bad form to make your reader interpret numerical output from your code. If a
 question asks you to compute some value from the data you should show your code
 output AND write a summary of the results in Markdown directly below your code.
- This probably goes without saying, but... For any question that asks you to calculate something, you must show all work and justify your answers to receive credit. Sparse or nonexistent work will receive sparse or nonexistent credit.

Problem 1 (20 Points) Net Promoter Scores

Have you ever seen a survey like this?

How likely are you to recommend us to a colleague or a friend?

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Not at all likely OOOOOOOExtremely likely

One of the most widely used customer satisfaction metrics is NPS - Net Promoter Score. It is extremely popular, especially among the executives -- Wikipedia claims that "versions of the NPS are now used by two-thirds of Fortune 1000 companies". But statisically, it is problematic, and it has to be used with care, as you will hopefully see from this problem!

Here's how the NPS is computed from a survey like the one above:

- We call a specific response a "promoter" if the rating given is 9 or 10
- We call a response a "detractor" if the rating given is 6 or below
- We call a response neutral if the rating is 7 or 8

$$NPS = \frac{\text{number of promoters} - \text{number of detractors}}{\text{total number of responses}} * 100$$

So for example if the sample of responses to the survey is

then we have 4 promoters (scores 10, 9, 9, 9) and 3 detractors (scores 5, 6, 2), and 3 neutral responses, therefore

$$NPS = \frac{4-3}{10} * 100 = 10$$

Notice that NPS can range from -100 (all responses are detractors) to 100 (all responses are promoters). Positive NPS generally signifies positive sentiment, and one of the company's objectives can be to maximize it.

NPS is supposed to measure the general customer sentiment and loyalty towards the product, but only a small subset of people usually fill the survey, so we can use **inference techniques** to estimate what the general sentiment is based on the NPS from the sample.

PART 1.A Let's say we have a sample of 10 responses to the NPS survey 10, 9, 5, 6, 7, 9, 9, 7, 2, 8 and we receive another response.

What is the resulting NPS from the 11 responses if the 11th response is:

- a. A promoter
- b. A detractor
- c. Neutral

(a) A Promoter:

Promoters
$$=4+1=5$$

Detractors = 3

Neutral = 3

Total = 11

$$NPS = \frac{5-3}{11} \times 100 = \frac{2}{11} \times 100 \approx 18.18$$

(b) A Detractor:

$$NPS = \frac{4-4}{11} \times 100 = 0$$

(c) A Neutral:

$$NPS = \frac{4-3}{11} \times 100 = \frac{1}{11} \times 100 \approx 9.09$$

PART 1.B

Let's say we have a survey with n responses, and let R_i , $i=1,\ldots,n$ be a discrete random variable that takes value 1 if the response i is a promoter, value 0 if the response is neutral, and -1 if R_i is a detractor.

In other words, R_{i} , i=1,...,n is a random sample of n responses.

If the probability of i'th response being a promoter is p_P , the probability of it being a detractor is p_D , what is the expected value $E[R_i]$ and variance $Var[R_i]$ of R_i ?

EXPECTED VALUE

$$E[X] = \sum p(x_i) \cdot x_i$$

$$E[R_i] = \sum_{x} x \cdot P(R_i = x)$$

$$E[R_i] = 1 \cdot p_P + 0 \cdot (1 - p_P - p_D) + (-1) \cdot p_D$$

$$E[R_i] = p_P - p_D$$

VARIANCE

$$\operatorname{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

$$\operatorname{Var}(R_i) = E[R_i^2] - (E[R_i))^2$$

$$\begin{split} E\left[R_{i}^{2}\right] &= \sum_{x} x^{2} \cdot P\left(R_{i} = x\right) \\ E\left[R_{i}^{2}\right] &= 1^{2} \cdot p_{P} + 0^{2} \cdot \left(1 - p_{P} - p_{D}\right) + \left(-1\right)^{2} \cdot p_{D} \\ E\left[R_{i}^{2}\right] &= p_{P} + p_{D} \end{split}$$

Already Known,

$$E[R_{i}] = p_{P} - p_{D}$$

$$Var(R_{i}) = p_{P} + p_{D} - (p_{P} - p_{D})^{2}$$

$$\dot{c} p_{P} + p_{D} - [p_{P}^{2} + p_{D}^{2} - 2 p_{P} p_{D}]$$

$$\dot{c} p_{P} + p_{D} - p_{P}^{2} - p_{D}^{2} + 2 p_{P} p_{D}$$

$$Var(R_{i}) = p_{P}(1 - p_{P}) + p_{D}(1 - p_{D}) + 2 p_{P} p_{D}$$

PART 1.C For the remainder of the problem, let's ignore multiplication by 100 in the NPS computation. It's just rescaling, and doesn't really affect conclusion, but it complicates the computations.

Explain why $NPS = \acute{R}$, where $\acute{R} = \frac{R_1 + ... R_n}{n}$, the sample mean of $R_1, ..., R_n$

WKT
$$NPS = \frac{\text{No. of Promoters - No. of Detractors}}{n}$$

Mean:

$$\acute{R} = R_i + R_{i1} + R_n$$

Here,

$$R_i = 1$$
 (Promoters)

$$R_i = -1$$
 (Detractors)

$$R_i = 0$$
 (Neutrals)

$$\hat{R} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1(R_i = 1) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-1)(R_i = -1) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 0(R_i = 0)$$

$$\hat{R} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1(R_i = 1) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1(R_i = -1)$$

$$\hat{R} = \frac{\text{No. of Promoters - No. of Detractors}}{n}$$

Hence,

$$NPS = R$$

PART 1.D

Considering that NPS can be seen as a sample mean, what is the approximate distribution of NPS for large sample sizes n? Make sure to state the mean and variance of that distribution.

Hint 1. There is a very important, one could even say "central", theorem...

Hint 2. Refer to STAT 5000 to remind yourself what is the mean and variance of a sample mean from an iid sample with population mean μ and variance σ^2

As per the Central Limit Theorem,

$$N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

where

$$\mu$$
= mean

$$\sigma^2$$
 = variance

Here, in this NPS,

$$\mathrm{mean} = p_P - p_D$$

$$\mathrm{variance} = p_P \big(1 - p_P \big) + p_D \big(1 - p_d \big) + 2 \, p_P \, p_D$$

Thus,

$$NPS \sim N \left(p_P - p_D, \frac{p_P (1 - p_P) + p_D (1 - p_D) + 2p_P p_D}{n} \right)$$

PART 1.E

Write down the 95% z confidence interval for NPS.

Note 1: Problem 1.4 is what tells us that we can use the z confidence interval in the first place! Remember that "z" refers to!

Note 2: Feel free to just use 1.96 as the critical value

Significance Value,

$$\alpha = 1 - 0.95 = 0.05$$

$$Z_{\alpha/2} = Z_{0.05/2} = 1.96$$

 $R = Mean = Expected Value = p_P - p_D$

$$(\hat{R} - 1.96 \times \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right), \hat{R} + 1.96 \times \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$p_{P} - p_{D} - 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{P}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{P}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{P} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{D} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{D} - p_{D} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{D} - p_{D} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}}{n}\right)\dot{c}}, p_{D} - p_{D} - p_{D} - p_{D} + 1.96*\sqrt{\left(\dot{c}\frac{p_{D}\left(1 - p_{D}\right) + 2*p_{D}\right)}\dot{c$$

PART 1.F

Let's say that on a survey with 30 responses, the proportion of promoters was 0.5, and proportion of detractors was 0.3.

Then the NPS (without multiplying by 100) is 0.5 - 0.3 = 0.2. What is the 95% confidence interval for this score?

- NPS = 0.2
- p_P = 0.5
- p_D = 0.3

```
std_err = sqrt((p_P * (1 - p_P) + p_D * (1 - p_D) + 2 * p_P * p_D) /
n)

lower_CI = 0.2 - z * std_err
upper_CI = 0.2 + z * std_err

lower_CI
upper_CI
[1] -0.1119624
[1] 0.5119624
```

NPS is widely used in customer analytics, but it doesn't have built-in procedures in R like t.test for mean or prop.test for proportion, and you might not want to go through the computation above every time you want to report NPS together with the margin of error or its CI. So creating a bootstrap confidence interval can be a good alternative.

Problem 2 (25 Points): Bootstrapping Net Promoter Scores

(For the definition of NPS, see Problem 1)

The code below reads an example dataset of NPS survey responses into the dataframe data. The responses are in the response column.

```
data <- read.csv('/content/nps.csv')
head(data)

response
1 10
2 5
3 8
4 9
5 8
6 10</pre>
```

PART 2.A

Create a function called nps () that takes a vector of survey responses as an argument and returns the NPS based on those responses. Demonstrate the function by calling it on the response column of data.

```
nps = function(response) {
   promoters = sum(response >= 9)
   detractors = sum(response <= 6)
   Nps = (promoters - detractors)/length(response) * 100
   return (Nps)
}

nps_val = nps(data$response)
nps_val
[1] 8.318264</pre>
```

PART 2.B Create one bootstrap sample from the response column of data, and compute the NPS for that boostrap sample.

```
bootstrap_samples =
sample(data$response,size=length(data$response),replace=TRUE)
nps_bootstrap = nps(bootstrap_samples)
nps_bootstrap
[1] 9.2827
```

If you created the bootstrap sample correctly, the NPS should be different from the NPS you computed from data\$responses.

PART 2.C

- 1. Create 30 bootstrap samples of the response column of data. Save them in a variable.
- 2. Compute NPS for each sample
- 3. Plot the distribution of bootstrapped NPS by plotting a normalized histogram of these scores

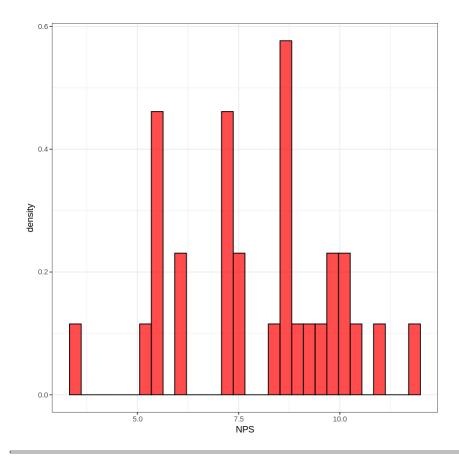
Hint: The function replicate() might be helpful

Note: If you're using ggplot, you can normalize a histogram by specifying y = after stat(density) inside aes in geom histogram()

Notice that 30 is the number of bootstrap samples, not the size of them! The size of any bootstrap sample is just the size of the dataset, because the dataset is the sample.

```
library(ggplot2)
bootstrap_samples = replicate(30, sample(data$response,
length(data$response), replace=TRUE))
bootstrap_nps = numeric(ncol(bootstrap_samples))
```

```
for(i in 1:ncol(bootstrap samples)){
  sample data = bootstrap samples[,i]
  bootstrap_nps[i] = nps(sample_data)
}
bootstrap nps df = data.frame(NPS = bootstrap nps)
bootstrap_nps_df
ggplot(data = bootstrap nps df) +
 geom_histogram(aes(x = NPS, y = after_stat(density)),
                 alpha = 0.7, color = "black", fill = "red") +
 theme bw()
  NPS
1
   8.800482
    5.967450
3
   3.435805
4
   7.112719
5
    9.885473
6
    8.860759
7
    5.605787
8
   8.800482
9
    6.027728
10 5.424955
11 8.559373
12 8.679928
13 7.293550
14 10.186860
15 10.126582
16 10.367691
17 7.233273
18 9.523810
19 5.123568
20 11.814346
21 11.030741
22 5.424955
23 8.378541
24 8.679928
25 9.764919
26 5.424955
27 7.414105
28 7.353828
29 9.222423
30 7.655214
`stat bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



It's very difficult to understand the distribution of scores from this histogram. For example, what is the variance of this distribution? How likely are the numbers around 8.31 (the NPS for the original data) to appear?.. To answer questions like this, we need to take more bootstrap samples to get a "smoother" distribution.

PART 2.D

- 1. Repeat the process in the previous question, but generate 3000 samples this time. Save the 3000 NPS results in a variable -- you'll use them in the next question.
- 2. Plot the normalized histogram of the 3000 samples, and a density plot in a different color.
- 3. Also, add a vertical line at the NPS value for the original dataset (in a third color)

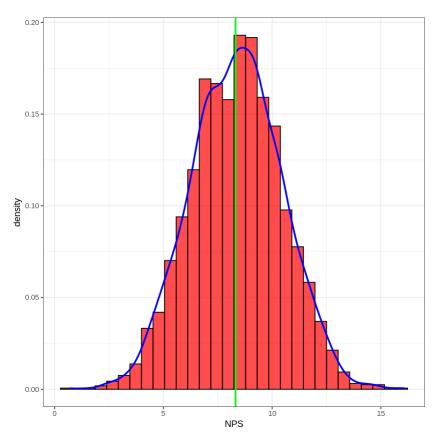
The distribution should look much smoother now. What can you say about the shape of the bootstrap distribution, and the role of the NPS of the original dataset in it?

```
bootstrap_samples = replicate(3000, sample(data$response,
length(data$response), replace=TRUE))
bootstrap_nps = numeric(ncol(bootstrap_samples))
for(i in 1:ncol(bootstrap_samples)){
```

```
sample_data = bootstrap_samples[,i]
bootstrap_nps[i] = nps(sample_data)
}
bootstrap_nps_df = data.frame(NPS = bootstrap_nps)
nps_data = nps(data$response)

ggplot(data = bootstrap_nps_df, aes(x=NPS))+
geom_histogram(aes(y =
after_stat(density)),alpha=0.7,color="black",fill="Red")+
geom_density(color = "blue", size = 1)+
geom_vline(aes(xintercept = nps_data), color = "green", size = 1) +
theme_bw()

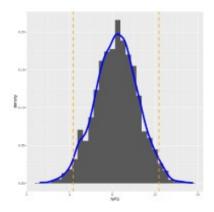
Warning message:
"Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
i Please use `linewidth` instead."
`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



When reporting business metrics (like NPS scores) that are based on samples, it's a good idea to also specify the margin of error or the the confidence interval, so that the audience of the report understands how to interpret the metric. For example, it can look something like 20.3 ± 3.56 , or [52.4,61.3]

Given the bootstrap distribution that you just obtained, we'll compute the 95% confidence interval for the NPS of the original dataset.

There are multiple methods of obtaining CIs from bootstrap samples. We'll use a method called **percentile bootstrap**: to determine the 95% CI, we'll find such values that 95% of the bootstrap distribution lies within those values:



For this symmetric distribution, this means we need to find one value such that 2.5% (half of 5%) of the bootstrap distribution is to the left of it, and another value such that 2.5% of the distribution is to the right.

PART 2.E

Use the built in quantile() function to find the lower and upper limits of the 95% confidence interval for the bootstrap distribution that you created in 2.4.

```
lower_CI = quantile(bootstrap_nps_df$NPS,0.025)
upper_CI = quantile(bootstrap_nps_df$NPS,0.975)

lower_CI
upper_CI
2.5%
4.400241
97.5%
12.35684
```

PART 2.F

Compute the differences between the original sample NPS and the lower/upper limits for the confidence interval.

Are they equal? Should we expect them to be? Why or why not?

Hint: is the distribution *perfectly, completely symmetric*?

```
lower_limit_difference = nps_data - lower_CI
upper_limit_difference = upper_CI - nps_data
cat("Difference")
lower_limit_difference
upper_limit_difference

Difference

2.5%
3.918023

97.5%
4.038577
```

- No they are not equal
- We should not expect them to be equal because the bootstrap distribution is not always perfectly completely symmetric because there'll be variability in samples, due to data skewness
- Small sample sizes and the outliers in the data may lead to create the asymmetry and if
 the distribution is not symmetric then the original sample NPS and LowerCI and Upper CI
 differences won't be equal

Problem 3 (25 Points): How old are cats in animal shelters?

Austin city government regularly publishes data about animals in the city-run animal shelter. The code below loads information about a *sample* of cats from that shelter into the variable cats:

```
cats <- read.csv('/content/cats.csv')</pre>
head(cats)
                        outcome type animal type breed
 X animal id name
1 1 A846341
                                                  Domestic Shorthair
                        Adoption
                                      Cat
2 2 A772759
              *Bella
                                                  Domestic Medium Hair
                        Adoption
                                      Cat
Mix
3 3 A666893
                                                  Domestic Shorthair Mix
              Pristy
                        Transfer
                                      Cat
              *Mooney Adoption
                                                  Domestic Shorthair Mix
4 4 A753626
                                      Cat
5 5 A747591
                        Transfer
                                      Cat
                                                  Domestic Longhair Mix
6 6 A703272
              *Catelyn Adoption
                                      Cat
                                                  Domestic Shorthair Mix
  color
                     age days
                       55
1 Blue Tabby
2 Blue
                       63
3 Black
                     2237
4 Black
                       92
```

```
5 Brown Tabby 369
6 Cream Tabby/White 88
```

This data contains information about each cat, like their name, age and breed, as well as the outcome for them (e.g. "Adoption").

In this problem, we'll be working with age_days column, which contains the estimated age of the cat (at the moment of the outcome, so e.g. at the moment of adoption).

This granularity - days instead of for example years - is important, as we'll see shortly.

PART 3.A

Do you think most of the cats in the shelter are kittens? Adults? Seniors? Everyone in equal measure?

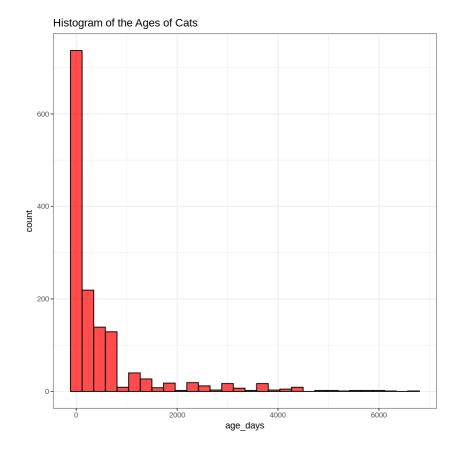
You don't need to analyze data, and there's no incorrect answer to this question. Just write what your intuition tells you!

I think most of the cats in the shelter are kittens(younger ones).

PART 3.B

Plot the histogram of the ages of the cats in this sample (the age_days column).

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(cats)+
geom_histogram(aes(x=age_days), alpha = 0.7,color="black",fill="red")+
labs(title = "Histogram of the Ages of Cats")+
theme_bw()
`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



PART 3.C

Compute the mean and the median of cat ages in the cats sample.

```
mean_cat_ages = mean(cats$age_days, na.rm = TRUE)
median_cat_ages = median(cats$age_days, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_cat_ages
median_cat_ages
[1] 518.7756
[1] 110
```

PART 3.D

Considering the shape of the distribution that you plotted in 3.2, which of the two measures - mean or median - is a more meaningful measure of "centrality" for this data? Why?

- Here from the shape of the distribution, the histogram is right skewed.
- Usually mean will be affected if more number of outliers are present in the dataset.
- Median is the great measure of 'centrality' for this data because median won't be affected by the outliers in data.

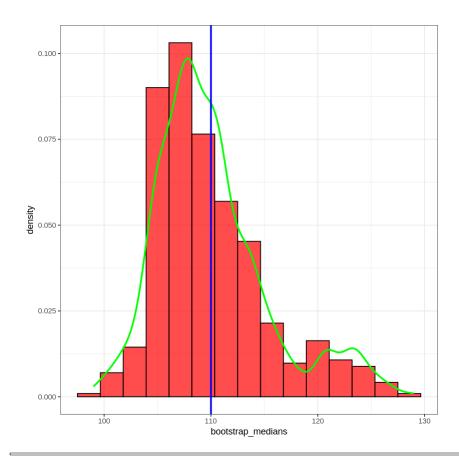
PART 3.E

- 1. Generate 1000 bootstrap samples of cat ages, and compute the median for each sample
- 2. Plot the histogram and density plot (in different colors) of the distribution of the 1000 bootstrapped medians
- 3. Add a vertical line (in a different color) at the value of the sample median of cats\$age days

```
set.seed(99)
library(ggplot2)
bootstrap medians = replicate(1000, {
  sample median = median(sample(cats$age days, size = nrow(cats),
replace = TRUE), na.rm = TRUE)
  sample median
})
bootstrap_medians
bootstrap medians df = data.frame(bootstrap medians =
bootstrap medians)
ggplot(bootstrap medians df)+
geom histogram(aes(x=bootstrap medians,y = after stat(density)),
bins=15, alpha = 0.7, color="black", fill="red")+
geom density(aes(x=bootstrap medians), color="green", size =1)+
geom vline(aes(xintercept = median cat ages), color = "blue", size =
1) +
theme bw()
   [1] 105 112 111 105 108 110 110 107 115 105 106 107 111 113 110 106
110 102
  [19] 121 108 108 106 107 116 110 110 121 125 107 110 108 107 121 108
108 120
  [37] 102 107 110 108 116 113 121 116 104 106 111 107 102 120 106 111
113 111
  [55] 105 104 105 102 108 110 108 108 107 107 124 103 103 114 123 111
112 104
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PART 3.F

Do you think this distribution is well approximated by a normal distribution? What deviations from normality can you detect, if any?

Make sure your reasoning is consistent with your plot.

This distribution is not well approximated by normal distribution.

• The deviation from normality that I can detect is that there is skewness in the right due to the presence of outliers so it contains a comparably heavier tails.

We'll use **percentile bootstrap** to compute the 95% confidence interval: we'll find the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the bootstrap distribution, which will determine the lower and upper limits of the CI. This way, 95% of the distribution will be within the confidence interval.

PART 3.G

Take a look at the density plot of bootstrapped medians that you created before. Do you think the percentile bootstrap CI will be symmetric around the median of the original sample? Which of the lower/upper limits do you think will be closer to the sample median, and why?

Note: the answer completely depends on your specific bootstrap samples! It's can be different for different people, and even for different executions of the same code.

Don't forget to justify your answer! You can use the density plot you generated before to eyeball where the percentiles will be, based on the "mass" of the distribution.

- I don't think the percentile bootstrap CI will be symmetric around the median of the original sample.
- The lower CI will be closer to the sample median because it is right skewed which leads to a greater spread of the data with higher values (outliers) present in the right tail so the Upper CI won't be closer to Median.

PART 3.H

Compute the lower and upper limits of the 95% bootstrap confidence interval using the percentile method. Additionally, compute the difference of both lower and upper limits of the CI with the sample median

```
lower CI = quantile(bootstrap medians df$bootstrap medians, 0.025)
upper CI = quantile(bootstrap medians df$bootstrap medians, 0.975)
lower CI
upper CI
cat("Difference")
lower limit difference = median cat ages - lower CI
upper limit difference = upper CI - median cat ages
lower_limit_difference
upper limit difference
2.5%
102
97.5%
 124
Difference
2.5%
   8
97.5%
   14
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PART 3.I

Please note that this problem part is OPTIONAL for STAT 4010 students and is REQUIRED for STAT 5010 students.

If you want a better idea about the distribution of bootstrap statistics, you need more bootstrap samples. Now imagine if your dataset is huge -- hundreds of millions of records, and to generate even one bootstrap sample, you'll need to sample those hundreds of millions of records with replacement.

If you want to generate a million bootstrap samples, you need to sample hundreds of millions of records a million times. You can see how this can get computationally prohibitive very guick!

There are many methods to make the bootstrap more computationally efficient. One of them was developed at Spotify. The linked article proposes a fast bootstrap algorithm for computing quantiles (like a median). It also gives Python code examples of applying that algorithm to simulated data.

Your task in this question is to reimplement the algorithm in R, and apply it to the dataset you've been working with to compute the 95% bootstrap confidence for the median of cat ages, using 500 000 bootstrap samples.

Here are some pointers:

- You'll need the single-sample bootstrap example, which is the first code sample in the article. You'll need to figure out what each line of code does, and apply it to your case. (But please read the rest of the article too, to understand what's happening! The most exciting contribution of the article is actually the second example).
- Note that the code sample uses simulated data from a normal distribution! You'll need to change it to use the data from cats\$age_days instead. In particular, the sample_size will be determined by the data.
- The code uses 1 000 000 bootstrap samples. You'll need to change that. (What other parts of the code will you need to change, if any?)
- You'll need to expore what the Python function binom.ppf() does. The function qbinom() in R accomplishes something similar, but make sure you read the documentation for both to see how they compare.
- Depending on your prior knowledge, you might also need to do some additional research to see how to do some array operations in R. This is part of the assignment!
- Python uses 0-based indexing, but R uses 1-based indexing of arrays! FYI Julia also uses 1-based indexing (there's a link to Julia code later in the article).

Note 1: Most of you should be familiar with Python by now, and should be able to read the code in the linked article. If you are not familiar with Python, you can try one of the followifing options: (1) read through the algorithm description and just implement the code yourself, (2) click on the link in the article that leads to a repository containing Julia code and try to read the Julia code instead (Julia is often much more user-friendly for novices), or (3) ask a classmate or a Course Assistant for help.

Note 2: Implementing new algorithms from papers that use a different programming language, and applying these new algorithms to your data, is something that you are very likely going to be doing in your professional day-to-day life very often. This specific problem is good practice for

such workflow because the algorithm is very simple, and the code snipped provided by authors is short but complete. Many methods that you'll work with will have such simple setup, unfortunately.

- The bootstrapping which we usually do with resampling the data works well when it comes to computing a statistical measure which is mean and median but when it comes to predicting a statistical measure which related to Quantile it won't perform well and also it is computationally expensive to do it since it requires a large number of iterations when the sample size is really big.
- So a new algorithm called the bootstrapping without resampling is introduced.
- What this algorithm does is it uses the binomial distribution order statistics instead of again and again drawing the samples. The method of computing the ordered indices in which the quantiles are selected by using a Binomial(N+1,q) distribution.
- This algorithm is fast and also it reduces the computational complexity.

```
alpha = 0.05
quantile of interest = 0.5
sample size = length(cats$age_days)
num bootstrap samples = 500000
ordered data = sort(cats$age days)
CI indices = qbinom(c(alpha/2, 1-alpha/2), sample size+1,
quantile of interest)
bootstrap CI = ordered data[c(CI indices[1], CI indices[2])]
ci indexes
cat("The original median")
median cat ages
cat("95% Bootstrap Confidence Interval for the Median:", "(",
    round(bootstrap_CI[1], 2), ",", round(bootstrap_CI[2], 2), ")")
[1] 681 755
The original median
[1] 110
95% Bootstrap Confidence Interval for the Median: ( 102 , 124 )
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Problem 4 (30 Points): Hypothesis Testing with Randomization

For this problem, we will be performing a hypothesis test with randomization.

The Stanford University Heart Transplant Study was conducted to determine whether an experimental heart transplant program increased lifespan. Each patient entering the program was designated an official heart transplant candidate, meaning that they were gravely ill and would most likely benefit from a new heart. Some patients got a transplant and some did not. The variable transplant indicates which group the patients were in; patients in the treatment group got a transplant and those in the control group did not. Of the 34 patients in the control group, 30 died. Of the 69 people in the treatment group, 45 died. Another variable called survived was used to indicate whether or not the patient was alive at the end of the study. transplant_study.png

Part 4.A: Does the stacked bar plot indicate that survival is independent of whether or not the patient got a transplant? Explain your reasoning?

No, the survival is dependent of whether or not the patient got a transplant because,

- The number of people who survived in Treatment group is $(24/69 \sim 0.35)$ who all took the treatment but the no. of people who survived in the control group is just $(4/34 \sim 0.11)$ who did not take any treatment.
- This indicated that the people who took the transplant have higher chances of survival compared to the people who did't do transplant so 'transplant' played a role in the patient's survival.
- But inorder to confirm whether it played a significant role in deciding the patient 'death/survived' need to do some statistical tests to confirm it.

Part 4.B: What do the box plots above suggest about the efficacy (effectiveness) of the heart transplant treatment?

- Patients in the treatment group lived longer days after taking a heart transplant and the patients in control group lived very few days (survival time) as per the box plot.
- The spread of data with a large IQR also an evidence for the people who did transplant lived more days compared to the people who did not.
- Also in the Treatment group there are people (outliers) who survived longer than usual
 which indicates that the heart transplant played a significant role in deciding the patient
 'death/survive'

Part 4.C: What proportion of patients in the treatment group and what proportion of patients in the control group died?

% of Patients died in control group:

$$\frac{30}{34}$$
 = 0.88 = 88 %

% of Patients died in treatment group:

$$\frac{45}{69}$$
 = 0.65 = 65 %

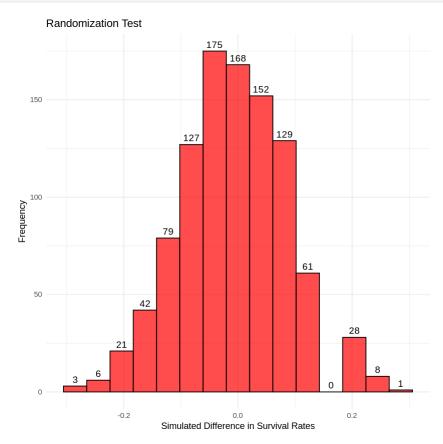
Part 4.D: Now we will perform a hypothesis test using randomization. State the null and alternative hypotheses for the test.

- H_0 : Survival of patient is independent of whether or not receiving a heart transplant.
- H1: Survival of patient is dependent of whether or not receiving a heart transplant.

Part 4.E: Run 1000 simulations for a randomization test and compile the results in a histogram. Display your histogram below. Please see pages 215-216 in "Introduction to Modern Statistics" as a reference for this. Note that this problem is taken directly from the textbook. We are trying to see if we can replicate the results. Due to random sampling, it is expected that your histograms should be slightly different from the textbook and from each other.

Note, you will need to create synthetic data. There were 34+69=103 Total people in this study. You will need to create a process for labeling the data points as "survivor" or "non-survivor" and making random draws from this labeled data. Hint: You could make a list or a csv file with this data and then sample it randomly. Or you could compute the rate of survivors vs non-survivors within these 103 data values and simulate the data using the survival rate as a probability distribution. Or you could come up with your own process. The first way I described it a bit closer to the classic set up we have been discussing in class. But I think the second way is a reasonable approximation. Either is fine for the sake of this homework assignment.

```
set.seed(47)
patient outcomes = c(rep(0, 28), rep(1, 75))
num simulations = 1000
simulated differences = numeric(num simulations)
for (i in seq len(num simulations)) {
  control indices = sample(seq along(patient outcomes), size = 34,
replace = FALSE)
  control group = patient outcomes[control indices]
  remaining patients = patient outcomes[-control indices]
  treatment indices = sample(seq along(remaining patients), size = 69,
replace = FALSE)
  treatment group = remaining patients[treatment indices]
  control survival rate = sum(control group) / 34
  treatment survival_rate = sum(treatment_group) / 69
  simulated differences[i] = control survival rate -
treatment survival rate
}
simulated df = data.frame(diff = simulated differences)
head(simulated diff df)
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(simulated df, aes(x = diff)) +
 geom histogram(bins = 15, fill = "red", color = "black", alpha =
0.7) +
  geom_text(stat = "bin", bins = 15, aes(label = after_stat(count), y
```



Part F: What is your conclusion and why? (In other words, will you reject your null hypothesis or fail to reject your null hypothesis?)

```
simulated_differences <- simulated_df$diff
observed_difference = 0.23
p_value = mean(abs(simulated_differences) >= abs(observed_difference))
print(paste("P-value:", round(p_value, 4)))
[1] "P-value: 0.018"
```

- THe p-value is 0.018 which clearly shows that approximately just 18/1000 points are above 0.23 observed difference. So we reject $H_{\rm 0}$
- Survival of patient is dependent of whether or not receiving a heart transplant and it is not due to randomness.
- Heart transplant plays a significant role in the survival of a patient.