

# Bootstrap

- *Non-parametric Bootstrap*
- *Parametric Bootstrap*

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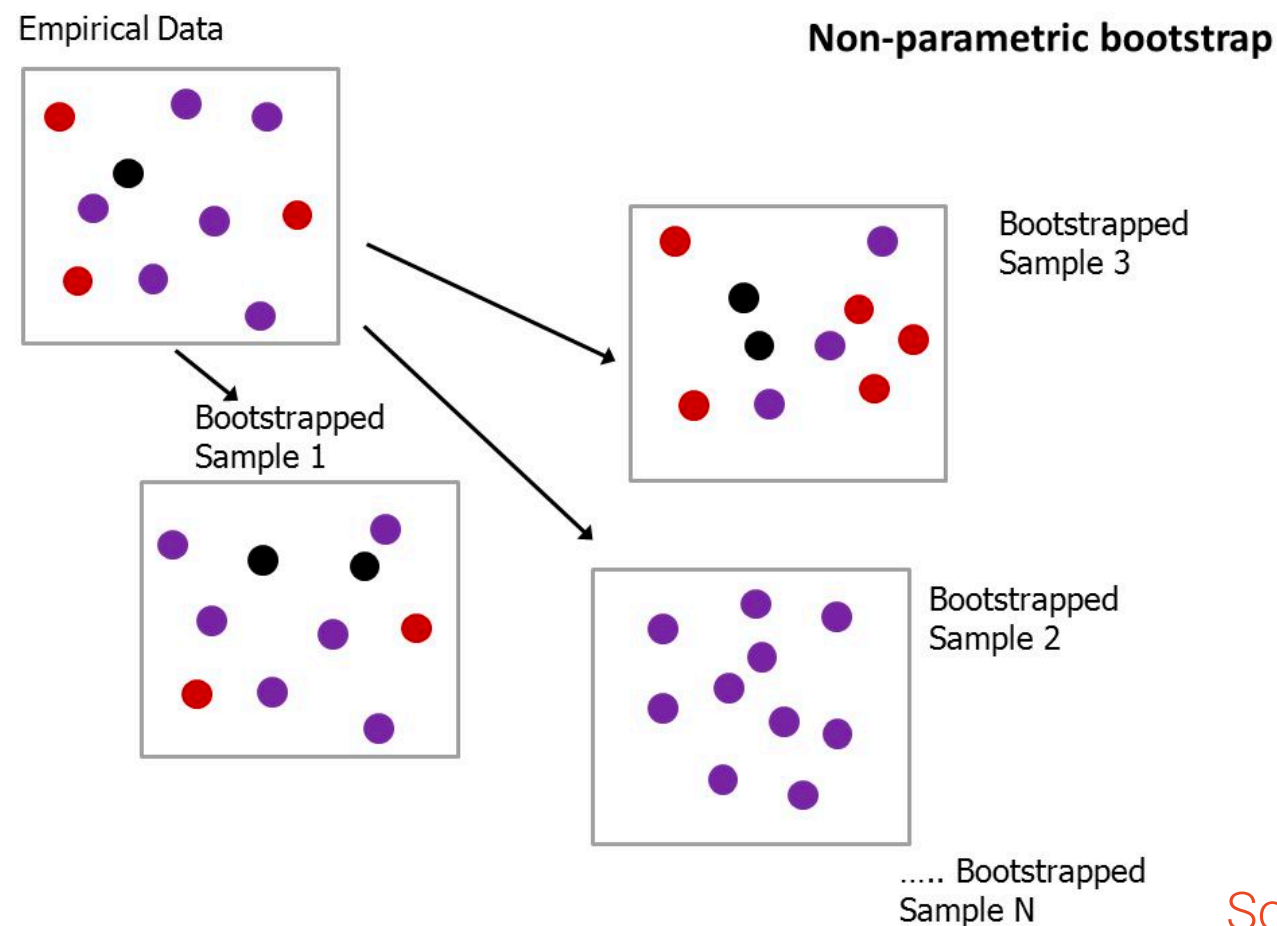
# Lecture Objectives

- **Understanding scenarios** to use bootstrap
- **Importance of resampling** in the bootstrap procedure.
- **Differences** between **parametric** and **non-parametric** bootstrap.
- **Creating** and **interpreting quantile** confidence intervals.

# Non-parametric Bootstrap

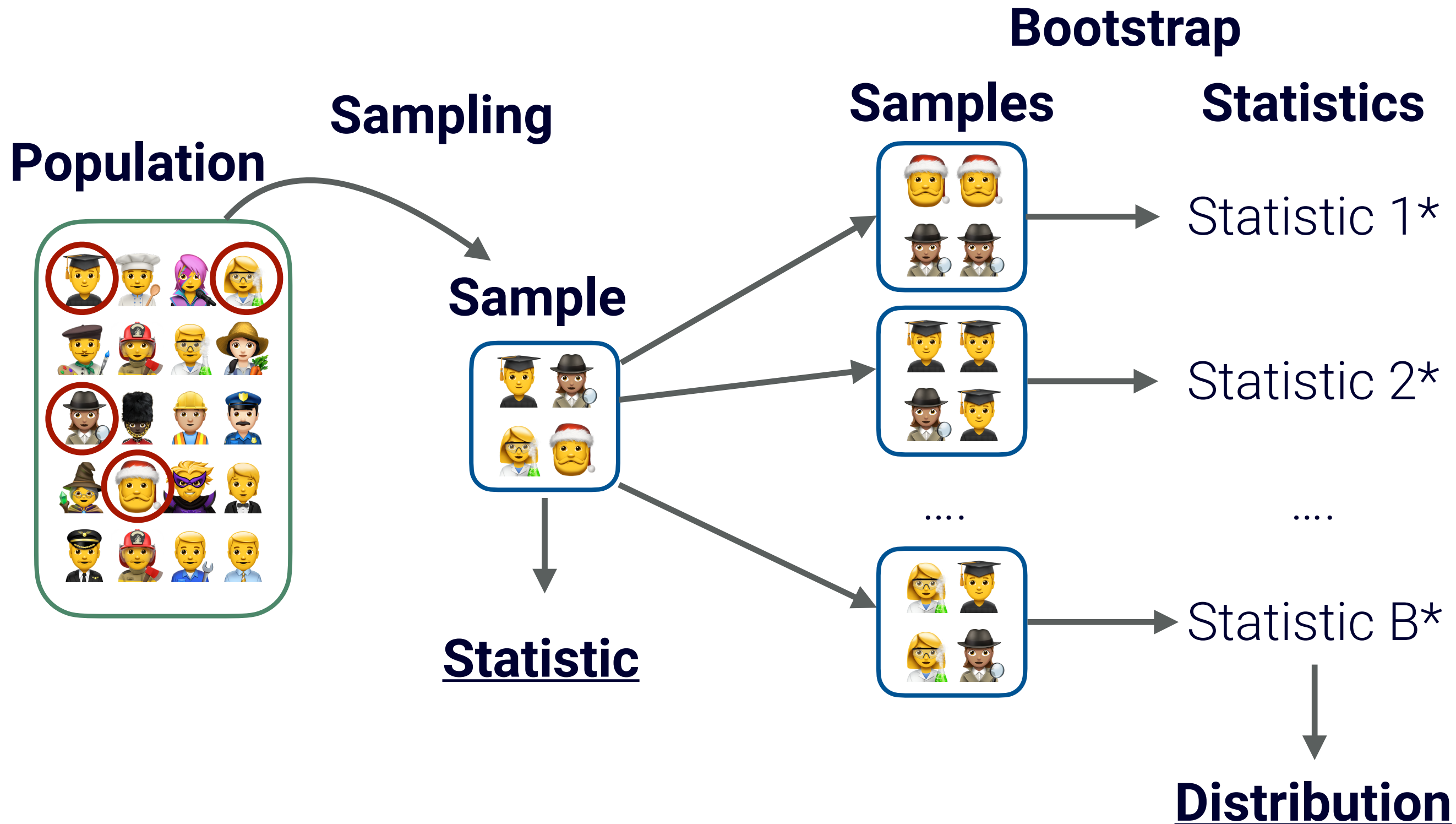
## Definition:

*Non-parametric Bootstrap* seeks to estimate an underlying probability distribution by resampling observed values.



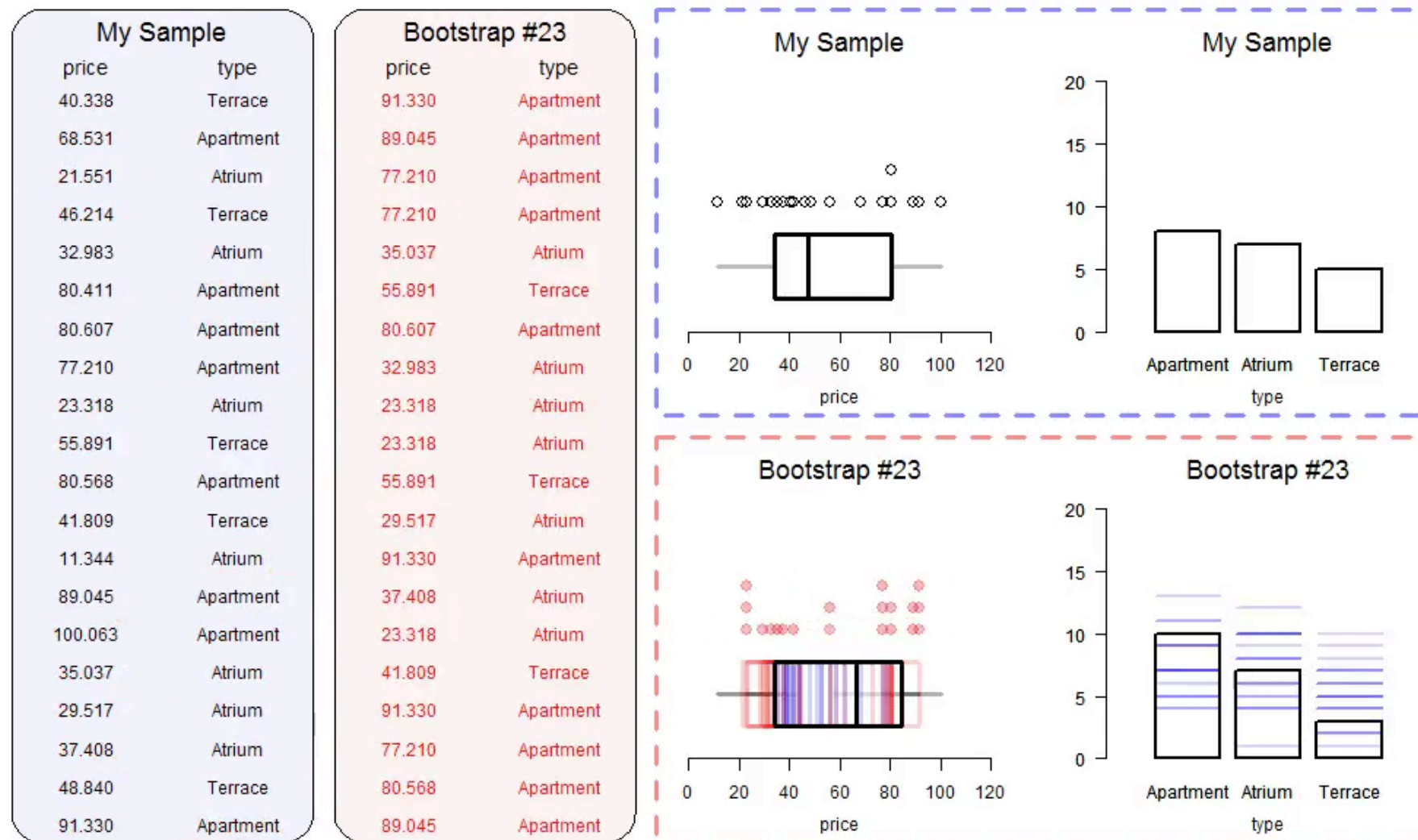
# Bootstrap Idea

... in a scene ...



# In Action

... what's happening ...



Source

# Why Bootstrap?

... where's the infinite data ???

1

- Sampling data takes both **time** and **money**

2

- No ability to make an assumption about the sample's underlying distribution...

3

- Inference done with asymptotic theory on samples may not make sense **if values have a restriction.**  
(e.g. height cannot be negative or zero)

# Bootstrap Terms

... describing non-parametric bootstrap statistically ...

## Real World

Unknown  
Distribution

Observed  
Values

$$F \rightarrow X = (X_1, \dots, X_{\boxed{n}})$$

$$\hat{\theta} = s(X)$$

Statistic on  
**Observed** Values

## Bootstrap World

Empirical  
Distribution

Bootstrap  
Sample

$$\hat{F}_n \rightarrow X^{*,i} = (X_1^{*,i}, \dots, X_{\boxed{n}}^{*,i})$$

$$\hat{\theta}^{*,i} = s(X^{*,i})$$

Statistic on  
**Bootstrapped** Values



$\hat{\theta}^*$

to

$\hat{\theta}$

is like

$\hat{\theta}$

to

$\theta$

Statistic on  
**Observed** Values



Statistic on  
**Bootstrapped** Values

Population Statistic

# Resampling

generating fictional data from real data ...

## Original Data

$$F \rightarrow X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

	id	sex	height
$X_1$	1	M	6.1
$X_2$	2	F	5.5
$X_3$	3	F	5.2
$X_4$	4	M	5.6
$X_5$	5	M	5.9

## Resampled Data

$$\hat{F}_n \rightarrow X^* = (X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*)$$

id	sex	height
2	F	5.5
3	F	5.2
3	F	5.2
1	M	6.1
4	M	5.6

$X_1^{*,1}$   
 $X_2^{*,1}$   
 $X_3^{*,1}$   
 $X_4^{*,1}$   
 $X_5^{*,1}$

...  
...

New  
Samples

id	sex	height
4	M	5.6
4	M	5.6
2	F	5.5
1	M	6.1
2	F	5.5

$X_1^{*,n}$   
 $X_2^{*,n}$   
 $X_3^{*,n}$   
 $X_4^{*,n}$   
 $X_5^{*,n}$

Sample with Replacement

# Your Turn

Consider the following **sample** taken from a population:

**Red, Green, Blue, Orange**

Would the following be considered a **valid bootstrap sample**?

**Red, Green, Green, Purple**

# Strategy

... how to roll a **non-parametric** bootstrap ...

**Step 1:** Obtain a sample of the population

**Step 2:** Using resampling technique, construct

$$\hat{F}_n^{iid} \sim X^{*,i} = \left( X_1^{*,i}, X_2^{*,i}, \dots, X_n^{*,i} \right)$$

that contains the same number of observations as

$$F^{iid} \sim X = \left( X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \right)$$

**Step 3:** Compute a statistic on the resampled data as  $\hat{\theta}^* = s(X^{*,i})$

**Step 4:** Repeat **Steps 2 - 3** until  $i$  matches required number of iterations.

# Overall Procedure

Statistic

Resampled Data

$$\hat{F}_n \rightarrow X^* = (X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*)$$

$$\hat{\theta}^*$$

Original Data

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$X_1^*$

$X_1^{*,1}$

$X_2^{*,1}$

$X_3^{*,1}$

$X_4^{*,1}$

$X_5^{*,1}$

id	sex	height
2	F	5.5
3	F	5.2
3	F	5.2
1	M	6.1
4	M	5.6

...

...

$X_n^*$

$X_1^{*,n}$

$X_2^{*,n}$

$X_3^{*,n}$

$X_4^{*,n}$

$X_5^{*,n}$

id	sex	height
4	M	5.6
4	M	5.6
2	F	5.5
1	M	6.1
2	F	5.5

$$\hat{\theta}^{*,1}$$

$$\dots$$

$$\dots$$

$$\hat{\theta}^{*,n}$$

Sample **with** Replacement

# Your Turn

Consider a sample of **size 40** ( $n = 40$ )...

If we generated **10,000 bootstrap** replications:

- How many observations will be present for *each* bootstrap replication?
- What is the number of bootstrap statistics that will be created?

# Implementation

... of **non**-parametric bootstrap ...

```
sample_data = ???                                # Step 1: Obtain samples from population
theta_hat = mean(sample_data$var)                # Compute the mean for the data
n_obs = nrow(sample_data)                        # Length of data
boot_iter = 250L                                # Number of bootstrap iterations
theta_star = rep(NA, boot_iter)                  # Bootstrapped estimate of theta

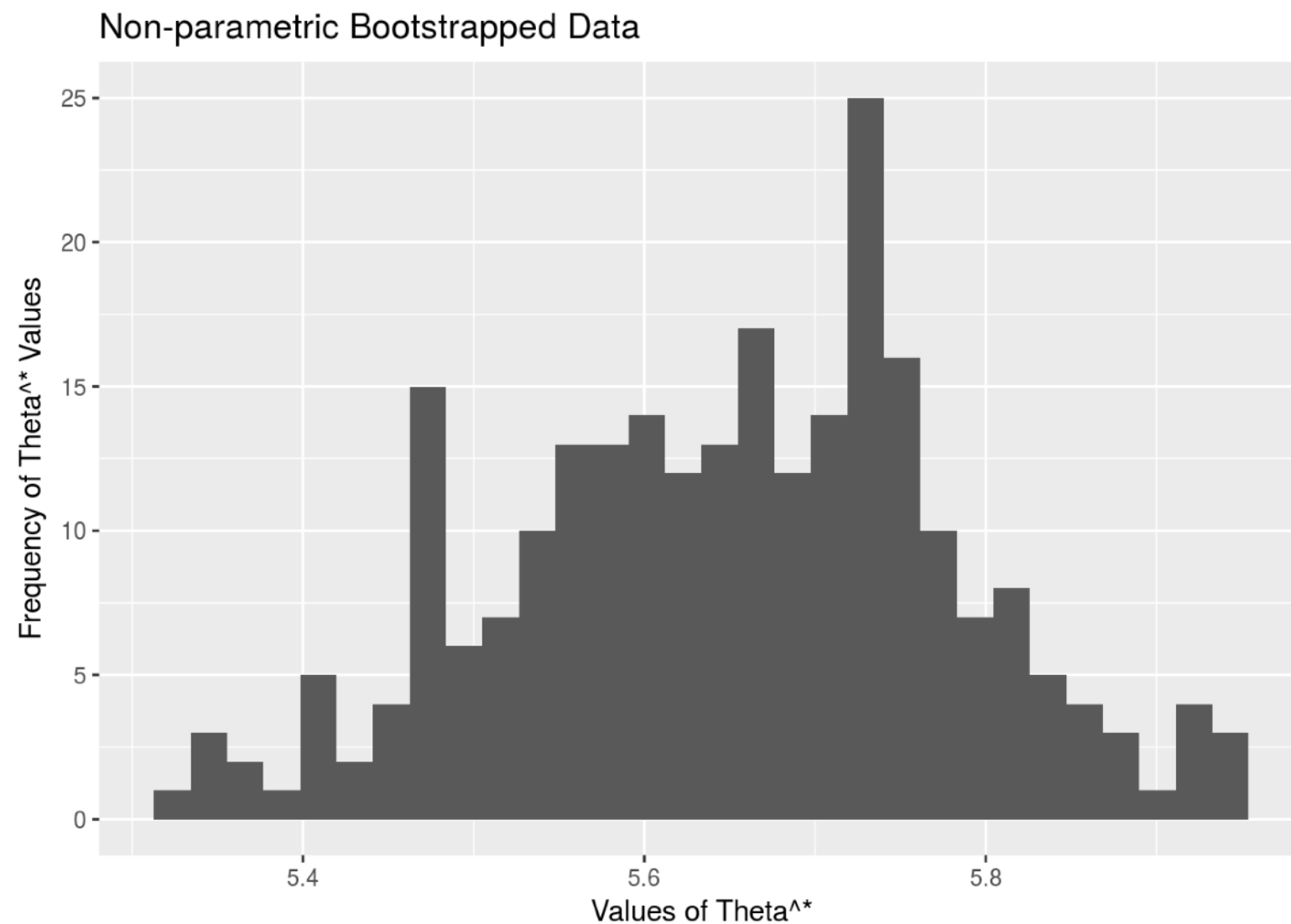
for (i in seq_len(boot_iter)) {
  set.seed(11882 + i)                            # Set seed for reproducibility
  # Step 2: Randomly sample observations positions from 1 to n_obs
  indexes = sample(n_obs, n_obs, replace = TRUE)

  # Extract out the observation positions
  sample_data_star = sample_data[indexes,, drop = FALSE]

  # Step 3: Compute the desired statistic on the bootstrapped values
  theta_star[i] = mean(sample_data_star$var)
} # Step 4: Repeat until i matches boot_iter
```

# Bootstrapped Distribution

... values of bootstrapped statistic ...





# Your Turn

Modify the bootstrap so that it computes the **standard deviation** of **Sepal.Width** in the **iris** data set.

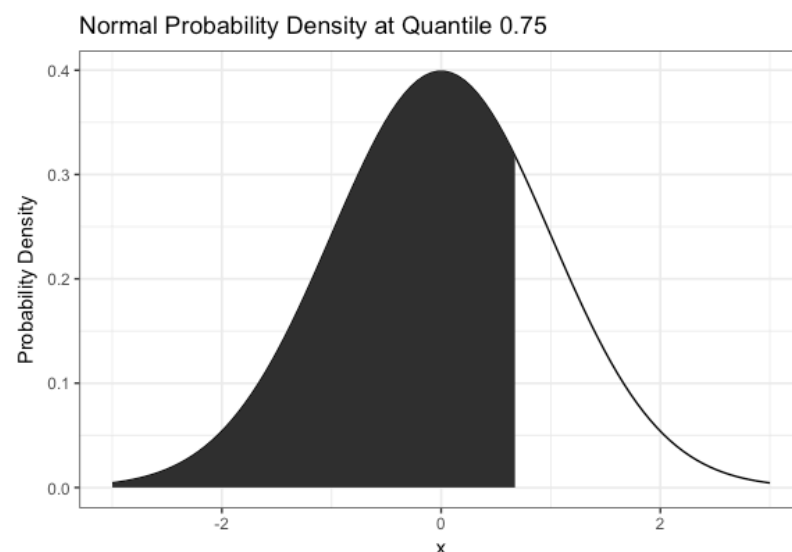
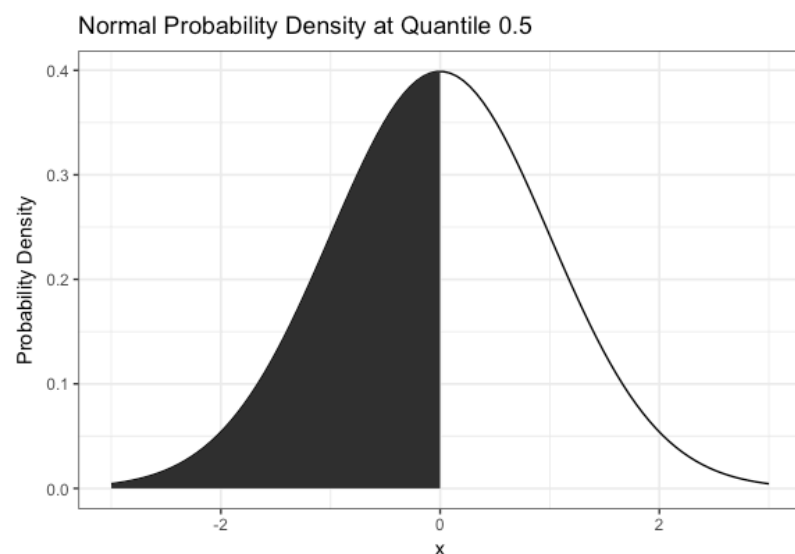
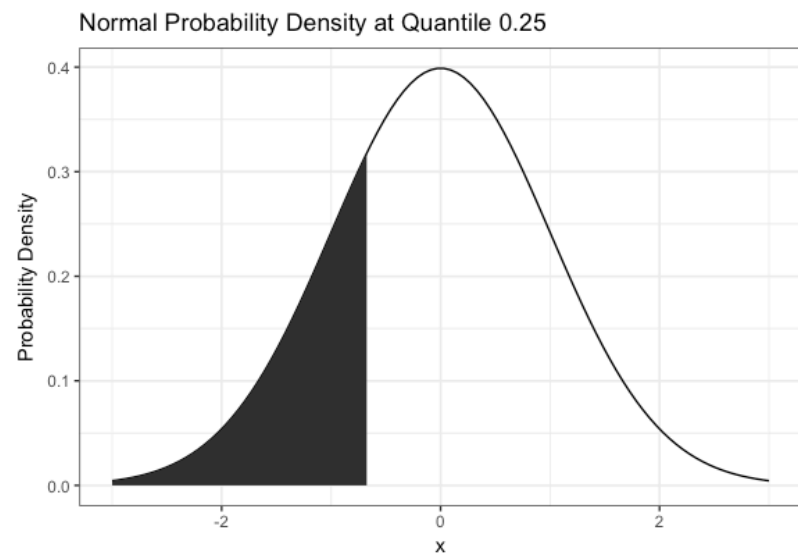
*Recall:* The **sd()** function provides the standard deviation

$$\sigma = sd(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$\bar{x} = mean(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

# Quantiles / Percentiles

... value of the distribution at  $p$ -th location ...



```
# Sample Data
```

```
x = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)
```

```
# Value at ordered point in  
# distribution
```

```
quantile(x,  
  probs = c(0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1)  
)
```

```
# 25% 50% 75% 100%
```

```
# 2.25 3.50 4.75 6.00
```

```
# Median is the 50% quantile
```

```
median(x)
```

```
# [1] 3.5
```

# # Percentile CIs

# Computes a custom confidence interval with data...

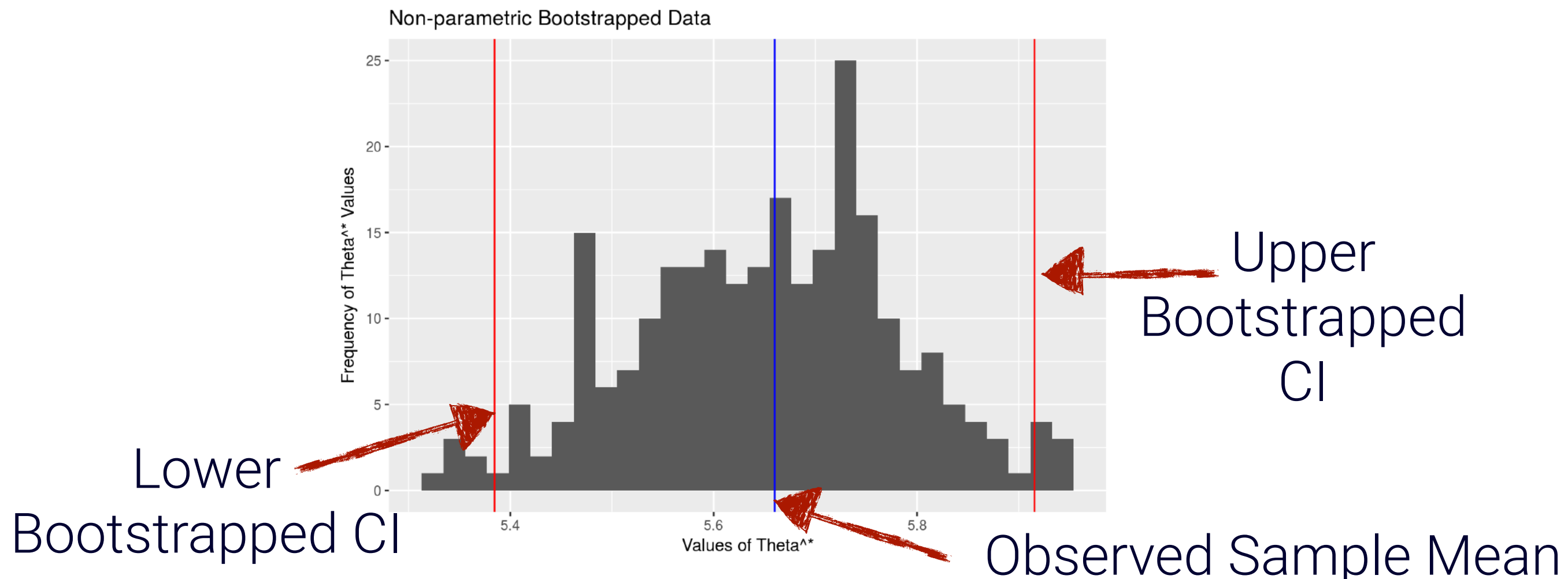
# Significance level

alpha = 0.05

# Under alpha = 0.05, we are retrieving quantiles for 0.025 and 0.975

```
ci_range = quantile(theta_star, probs = c(alpha / 2, 1 - alpha / 2))
```

# [1] low high



# Your Turn

How does changing the **alpha value / significance level** used to construct the percentile confidence interval affect the length of the interval?

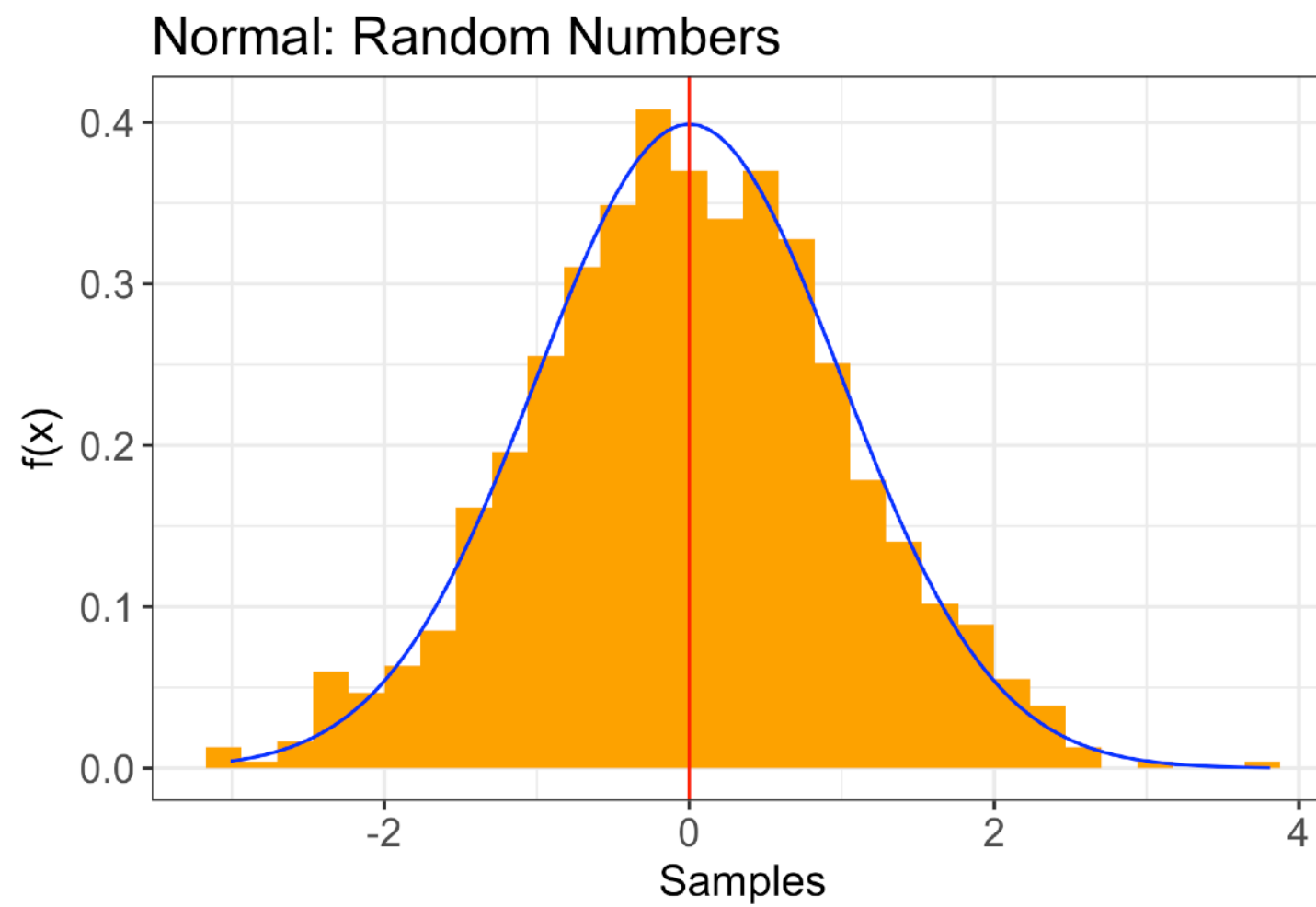
Consider two cases:

- 95%  $\rightarrow$  90%
- 95%  $\rightarrow$  97%

# Parametric Bootstrap

## Definition:

*Parametric Bootstrap* seeks to estimate parameters under the assumption they belong to a specific family of probability distributions.



# Strategy

... how to roll a **parametric** bootstrap ...

**Step 1:** Sample model data under a known distribution with unknown parameters  $\theta$ .

$$F_{\theta} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

**Step 2:** Compute the statistic under the known distribution  $\hat{\theta} = s(X)$

**Step 3:** Sample model under  $F_{\hat{\theta}} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} X^{*,i} = (X_1^{*,i}, X_2^{*,i}, \dots, X_n^{*,i})$   
via  $\hat{\theta} = s(X)$

**Step 4:** Calculate the bootstrapped statistic  $\hat{\theta}^{*,i} = s(X^{*,i})$

**Step 5:** Repeat **Steps 3 - 4** until  $i$  matches required number of iterations.

# Implementation

... of **parametric** bootstrap ...

```
sample_values = rnorm(100)
```

```
# Step 1: Obtain samples from known  
# population distribution.
```

```
theta_mean_hat = mean(sample_values)  
theta_sd_hat = sd(sample_values)
```

```
# Step 2: Obtain statistics  
# Compute sample mean  
# Compute sample standard deviation
```

```
n_obs = length(sample_values)  
boot_iter = 250L  
theta_mean_star = rep(NA, boot_iter)  
theta_sd_star = rep(NA, boot_iter)
```

```
# Length of data  
# Number of bootstrap iterations  
# Bootstrapped estimate of mean  
# Bootstrapped estimate of standard dev
```



# Implementation

... of **parametric** bootstrap ...

# See previous slide for setup details...

```
for (i in seq_len(boot_iter)) {  
  set.seed(385 + i)                # Set seed for reproducibility  
  
  # Step 3: Randomly generate observations under distribution  
  sample_values_star = rnorm(n_obs, mean = theta_mean_hat, sd = theta_sd_hat )  
  
  # Step 4: Compute the desired statistic on the bootstrapped values  
  theta_mean_star[i] = mean(sample_values_star )  
  theta_sd_star[i] = sd(sample_values_star )  
  
} # Step 5: Repeat until i matches boot_iter
```

# Parametric vs. Nonparametric

... what's the difference ???

Type	Distribution	Parameter
Non-parametric	<i>Unknown</i>	Unknown
Parametric	<i>Known</i>	Unknown

# Redux

... highlighting the **difference** ...

## ## Nonparametric

# Unknown distribution. Sample values from observed distribution

indexes = **sample**(n\_obs, n\_obs, replace = TRUE)

# Extract out the observation positions

sample\_data\_star = sample\_data[indexes,, drop = FALSE]

## ## Parametric

# Known distribution. Sample values underneath estimated parameters.

sample\_values\_star = **rnorm**(n\_obs, mean = theta\_mean\_hat, sd = theta\_sd\_hat)

# Your Turn

Implement a **parametric** bootstrap that determines the **mean**, **standard deviation**, and **median** of a Poisson distribution with

$$\lambda = 3$$

(lambda)

# Recap

- **Non-parametric Bootstrap**

- Resampling from a sample of the population to obtain an empirical distribution.

- **Parametric Bootstrap**

- Sampling under a known probability distribution with estimated values of the initial sample.

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