

Bootstrap Hypothesis Tests in Credit Risk

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Bootstrapping in Credit Risk

- Generally underutilized in the credit risk area.
- Bootstrapping finds application across various domains within credit risk modeling.
- Particularly useful for testing metrics where there is little consensus on the standard error of the estimate or when statistical testing procedures are absent.
- Various methods exist for calculating bootstrap confidence intervals and p-values, with the percentile method likely being the most commonly used. Computing the p-value is not always straightforward because bootstrapping does not produce data conforming to the null hypothesis.
- The examples from the following slides demonstrate the percentile method with centered values as: $\text{estimate} - \text{bootstrapped distribution} + \text{null hypothesis value}$ and with the p-value calculated as a percentage of more extreme values than the estimate.
- Advantages:
 - does not rely on any distributional assumption
 - flexible application across a wide range of metrics
 - useful for identifying bias
 - easy to implement.
- Disadvantages:
 - computational intensity
 - assumption of independence (although this can be addressed to a certain extent)
 - accuracy concerns for smaller sample sizes.

Example 1: Population Stability Index (1-sided test)

Dataset:

##	Bin	Base cnt.	Base pct.	Target cnt.	Target pct.	PSI
## 1	1	119	0.22	155	0.35	0.18
## 2	2	130	0.24	139	0.31	0.18
## 3	3	39	0.07	24	0.05	0.18
## 4	4	263	0.48	131	0.29	0.18

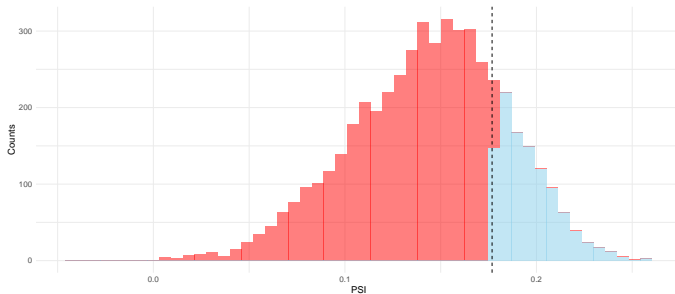
Testing Hypothesis:

$H_0 : PSI \leq 0.15$

Visualization:

Centered Bootstrapped PSI Values

PSI > 0.15 PSI <= 0.15



p-value:

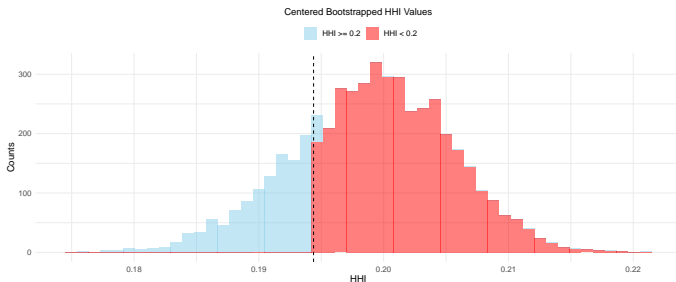
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Example 2: Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (1-sided test)

Dataset:

##	Rating	Grade	# obs.	DR	HHI
## 1	01	(-Inf, 0.0199)	202	0.01	0.194
## 2	02	[0.0199, 0.0263)	54	0.02	0.194
## 3	03	[0.0263, 0.0369)	96	0.03	0.194
## 4	04	[0.0369, 0.0903)	204	0.06	0.194
## 5	05	[0.0903, 0.15)	103	0.11	0.194
## 6	06	[0.15, 0.197)	41	0.12	0.194
## 7	07	[0.197, Inf)	50	0.32	0.194

Visualization:



Testing Hypothesis:

$$H_0 : HHI \geq 0.20$$

p-value:

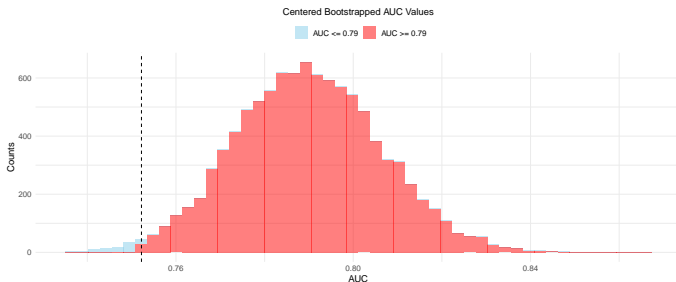
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Example 3: Area Under Curve (2-sided test)

Dataset:

Development sample AUC 79%. Application portfolio AUC 75.2%.

Visualization:



Testing Hypothesis:

$H_0 : AUC = 0.79$

p-value:

$2 * \min(c(\text{left-side p-value}, \text{right-side p-value}))$

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