

R-Package surveysd

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Motivation

- EU-SILC and at risk of social exclusion (arose)
- Qualitatively high well-being indicators at national or NUTS1
- Lower NUTS-Levels usually yield poor estimates

Methods

- Small area estimation
- administrative data to impute variable of interest
- pooled data and bootstrap techniques

surveysd

- R-package for variance estimation on regional levels
- Uses multiple (consecutive) waves of EU-SILC
- Variance estimation via bootstrap techniques

Methodology

- Let $\mathbf{X}_{(h,j)}$ be pooled data over $j = 1, \dots, y$ years containing a sample size of n_1, \dots, n_y
- Each year l contains a sample size n_l
- Household ID h is unique throughout the pooled data

Methodology

- Generate B bootstrap replicates without replacement and considering stratification/clustering Preston (2009)
 - $f_{(h,j)}^i$ for household h in year j , $i = 1, \dots, B$
- Bootstrap replicates are assigned for each household
 - stay constant until the household drops out of the sample
 - $f_{(h,k(h))}^i = f_{(h,j)}^i \quad \forall j \in 1, \dots, y, \quad i = 1, \dots, B$
 - with $k(h)$ as the year that household h first comes into SILC

Methodology

- Calculate replicate weights $b_{(h,j)}^i$ by multiplying with original weight $w_{(h,j)}^0$
 - $b_{(h,j)}^i = f_{(h,j)}^i w_{(h,j)}^0$
- Calibrate with iterative proportional updating
 - define margins of sampling design per year
- Calibrated weights are equal in each household

Methodology

- Estimate Variance of point estimate $\theta(\mathbf{X}_j, \mathbf{w}_j^0)$ with \mathbf{X}_j as observations- and \mathbf{w}_j^0 as weight-vector.

- $$sd(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{B-1} \sum_{i=1}^B (\theta(\mathbf{X}^{(j)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,j)}) - \bar{\theta})^2}$$

- Using $\bar{\theta} := \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B \theta(\mathbf{X}^{(j)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,j)})$ as the sample mean and \mathbf{b}_j^i as the i -th vector of bootstrap weights for the year j .

Methodology

- Use data from consecutive years of SILC for regional estimates
- Apply filter to consecutive years using equal filter weights
 - poverty stays quite stable through out consecutive years
- Gain in precision for variance estimation via pooled data

Methodology

$$sd(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{B-1} \sum_{i=1}^B (\theta^{(3)}(\mathbf{X}^{(y)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y)}) - \overline{\theta^{(3)}})^2}$$

with

$$\theta^{(3)}(\mathbf{X}^{(y)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y)}) = \frac{1}{3} (\theta(\mathbf{X}^{(y-1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y-1)}) + \theta(\mathbf{X}^{(y)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y)}) + \theta(\mathbf{X}^{(y+1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y+1)}))$$

and

$$\overline{\theta^{(3)}} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B \theta^{(3)}(\mathbf{X}^{(y)}, \mathbf{b}^{(i,y)}) \quad .$$

Using package surveysd

- Not yet on CRAN but on git
<https://github.com/statistikat/surveysd>
- Contains of 3 major functions
 - `draw.bootstrap`
 - `recalib`
 - `calc.stError`

Using package surveysd

- Data must contain the following variables
 - Household Identifier
 - Sampling weights
 - Column specifying year of sample drawn
 - variables of interest
 - Columns by which sample was stratified
- Each row represents 1 Individual

Using package surveysd

```
library(data.table)
library(surveysd)
library(ggplot2)
dat <- fread("/mnt/obdatenaustausch/NETSILC3/udb_short_new.csv")
dat[,RB050:=gsub(",", "\\.", RB050)]
dat[,RB050:=as.numeric(RB050)]

dat_es <- dat[RB020=="ES"]
dat_es[,.(RB010, RB030, DB040, arose, hsize, HX040, db050)]
```

```
##           RB010      RB030 DB040 arose hsize HX040 db050
##      1:  2013      10001  ES62      0      1      1  1407
##      2:  2014      10001  ES62      0      1      1  1407
##      3:  2015      10001  ES62      0      1      1  1407
##      4:  2016      10001  ES62      1      1      1  1407
##      5:  2016      40001  ES51      0      2      2   907
##      ---
## 310730:  2016 999950003  ES61      1      4      5   106
## 310731:  2015 999950004  ES61      1      4      5   106
## 310732:  2016 999950004  ES61      1      4      5   106
## 310733:  2015 999950005  ES61      1      4      5   106
## 310734:  2016 999950005  ES61      1      4      5   106
```

```
dat_es[agex==100, agex:=80]
```

Drawing bootstrap replicates

```
# draw 20 bootstrap replicates with strata
dat_boot_1 <- draw.bootstrap(dat=copy(dat_es), REP=20, hid="db030",
                             weights="RB050", strata="db050",
                             year="RB010")
```

```
colnames(dat_boot_1)
```

```
## [1] "RB010" "RB020" "RB030" "db030" "hid_new" "DB040" "db050"
## [8] "DB060" "DB100" "RB050" "HX080" "HX090" "RB080" "RB090"
## [15] "HX040" "arose" "agex" "hsize" "w1" "w2" "w3"
## [22] "w4" "w5" "w6" "w7" "w8" "w9" "w10"
## [29] "w11" "w12" "w13" "w14" "w15" "w16" "w17"
## [36] "w18" "w19" "w20"
```

Drawing bootstrap replicates

```
# define Number of clusters in in each strata
# as well as number of households in each cluster

# clusters are made up by approx. 400 Households
dat_es[,fpc1:=round(sum(RB050[!duplicated(db030)])/400),by=list(db050,RB010)]

dat_es[,fpc2:=400,by=list(DB060,db050,RB010)]

# supply number of cluster in each Strata
# and households per cluster with parameter 'totals'
dat_boot <- draw.bootstrap(dat=copy(dat_es),REP=20,hid="db030",
                           weights="RB050",strata="db050",cluster="DB060",
                           year="RB010",totals=c("fpc1","fpc2"),boot.names=NULL)
```

Calibrating bootstrap replicates

```
dat_boot_calib_1 <- recalib(dat=copy(dat_boot_1),hid="db030",  
                           weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.rep=paste0("w",1:20),  
                           conP.var=c("RB090"),conH.var = c("DB040"))
```

```
## Convergence reached in 3 steps  
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## Convergence reached in 2 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps
```


Calibrating bootstrap replicates

```
dat_boot_calib <- recalib(dat=copy(dat_boot_1),hid="db030",  
  weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.rep=paste0("w",1:20),  
  conP.var=c("RB090","agex"),conH.var = c("DB040","DB100"))
```

```
## Convergence reached in 4 steps  
## Convergence reached in 6 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 4 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 6 steps  
## Convergence reached in 4 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 6 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps  
## Convergence reached in 4 steps  
## Convergence reached in 4 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps  
## Convergence reached in 5 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps  
## Convergence reached in 3 steps
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

- Calculate variance or distribution of point estimate $\theta(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w})$ using bootstrap and original weights
- Predefined point estimates
 - `weightedRatio` - `weightedRatioNat`
 - `weightedSum`
 - `popSize` - `sampSize`

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

- Point estimates are applied on specified variables using the original and bootstrap weights
- Estimates are calculated per year, but additional subgroups can be defined → regional estimates

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

- Differences of point estimates between years and rolling means over consecutive years can also be applied
- Differences for rolling means is also supported
 - $\theta^{(2014-2016)}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{b}) - \theta^{(2008-2010)}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{b})$

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_boot_calib_1),fun="weightedRatio",
  weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
  var="HX080",cross_var=NULL,year.diff=NULL,year.mean=NULL)
erg
```

```
## Calculated point estimates for variable(s)
##
## HX080
##
## using function weightedRatio
##
## Results hold 9 point estimates for 9 years
```

```
erg$Estimates
```

```
##      RB010 val_HX080 stE_HX080
## 1:  2008  19.83106 0.6665232
## 2:  2009  20.36623 0.5915289
## 3:  2010  20.72276 0.5618657
## 4:  2011  20.64952 0.4714167
## 5:  2012  20.83131 0.4894204
## 6:  2013  20.37943 0.6754405
## 7:  2014  22.22518 0.5520584
## 8:  2015  22.13294 0.4333467
## 9:  2016  22.34648 0.4857942
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
# Estimate mean over 3 consecutive years (-> default)
erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_boot_calib_1),fun="weightedRatio",
                    weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
                    var="HX080",cross_var=NULL,year.diff=NULL,year.mean=3)

erg
```

```
## Calculated point estimates for variable(s)
##
## HX080
##
## using function weightedRatio
##
## Results hold 16 point estimates for 9 years
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
erg$Estimates
```

```
##          RB010 val_HX080 stE_HX080
## 1:          2008  19.83106 0.6665232
## 2: 2008_2009_2010  20.30668 0.5062914
## 3:          2009  20.36623 0.5915289
## 4: 2009_2010_2011  20.57950 0.4346648
## 5:          2010  20.72276 0.5618657
## 6: 2010_2011_2012  20.73453 0.3705039
## 7:          2011  20.64952 0.4714167
## 8: 2011_2012_2013  20.62009 0.4076710
## 9:          2012  20.83131 0.4894204
## 10: 2012_2013_2014  21.14531 0.4912443
## 11:          2013  20.37943 0.6754405
## 12: 2013_2014_2015  21.57918 0.4384756
## 13:          2014  22.22518 0.5520584
## 14: 2014_2015_2016  22.23487 0.2955162
## 15:          2015  22.13294 0.4333467
## 16:          2016  22.34648 0.4857942
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
# define subgroups
# Estimates per DB040 AND DB100 are also calculated
erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_boot_calib_1),fun="weightedRatio",
                    weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
                    var="HX080",cross_var=list("DB100",c("agex","DB100")),year.diff=NULL)

erg
```

```
## Calculated point estimates for variable(s)
##
## HX080
##
## using function weightedRatio
##
## Results hold 304 point estimates for 9 years in 19 subgroups
##
## Estimated standard error exceeds 10 % of the the point estimate in 29 cases
```


Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
erg$cvHigh
```

```
##      RB010 DB100 agex HX080
##  1:  2008      1    0 FALSE
##  2:  2008      1   20 FALSE
##  3:  2008      1   40 FALSE
##  4:  2008      1   60 FALSE
##  5:  2008      1   80  TRUE
##  ---
## 300: 2016      3   40 FALSE
## 301: 2016      3   60 FALSE
## 302: 2016      3   80 FALSE
## 303: 2016      3   NA FALSE
## 304: 2016     NA   NA FALSE
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
# Add estimation of differences between the years 2016 and 2008
erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_boot_calib_1),fun="weightedRatio",
  weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
  var="HX080",cross_var=list("DB100",c("agex","DB100")),
  year.diff=c("2016-2008"))
```

```
## Can not calculate differences between years 2016 and 2008 over 3 years.
```

```
erg
```

```
## Calculated point estimates for variable(s)
##
## HX080
##
## using function weightedRatio
##
## Results hold 323 point estimates for 9 years in 19 subgroups
##
## Estimated standard error exceeds 10 % of the the point estimate in 40 cases
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
# Calculate not only standard Error
# but also .025 and .975 percentile
erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_boot_calib_1),fun="weightedRatio",
                    weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
                    var="HX080",cross_var=list("DB100",c("agex","DB100")),
                    year.diff=c("2016-2008"),p=c(.025,.975))
```

```
## Can not calculate differences between years 2016 and 2008 over 3 years.
```

```
erg$Estimates
```

##		RB010	DB100	agex	val_HX080	stE_HX080	p0.025_HX080	p0.975_HX080
## 1:	2008	1	0	25.171215	1.6216158	22.4147958	27.776771	
## 2:	2008	1	20	14.587201	1.0712621	13.1224750	16.688469	
## 3:	2008	1	40	14.084083	0.9294461	13.1391893	15.750170	
## 4:	2008	1	60	15.825289	1.0585613	13.4570976	17.237957	
## 5:	2008	1	80	22.647548	2.2770126	18.7320050	26.299361	
## ---								
## 319:	2016-2008	3	40	9.901689	1.8317388	6.6112064	12.886983	
## 320:	2016-2008	3	60	-9.457798	1.8286126	-12.3303206	-5.903782	
## 321:	2016-2008	3	80	-17.454288	2.8370711	-22.0215811	-11.842494	
## 322:	2016-2008	3	NA	4.708759	1.3404008	2.8822519	6.994277	
## 323:	2016-2008	NA	NA	2.515426	0.9037091	0.8507179	3.760437	

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
# user-defined function
# take the gini - index
library(laeken)
# simulate income
dat_income <- unique(dat_boot_calib_1,by="db030")
dat_income[,income:=exp(rnorm(.N,mean=10,sd=0.8))-1]

# gini() returns list - calc.stError needs function that returns double or integer
help_gini <- function(x,w){
  return(gini(x,w)$value)
}

erg <- calc.stError(dat=copy(dat_income),fun="help_gini",
  weights="RB050",year="RB010",b.weights=paste0("w",1:20),
  var="HX080",cross_var=list(c("DB040","DB100")),
  year.diff=c("2014-2008"),p=c(.025,.975))
```

```
## For grouping by RB010-DB040-DB100:
## Sample size lower 20 for 34 groups
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

```
erg
```

```
## Calculated point estimates for variable(s)
##
## HX080
##
## using function help_gini from .GlobalEnv
##
## Results hold 1044 point estimates for 9 years in 58 subgroups
##
## 28 subgroups contained less than 20 observations
##
## Point estimates are NAs in 152 cases due to either
## no observations or only NAs for the variable(s) in the corresponding subgroups.
##
## Estimated standard error exceeds 10 % of the the point estimate in 189 cases
```

```
head(erg$smallGroups)
```

```
##      RB010 DB040 DB100  N
## 1:  2010  ES30      3 17
## 2:  2010  ES41      2 11
## 3:  2011  ES13      2  8
## 4:  2011  ES21      3 16
## 5:  2011  ES30      2  9
## 6:  2011  ES41      2 15
```

Calculate Estimates using bootstrap replicates

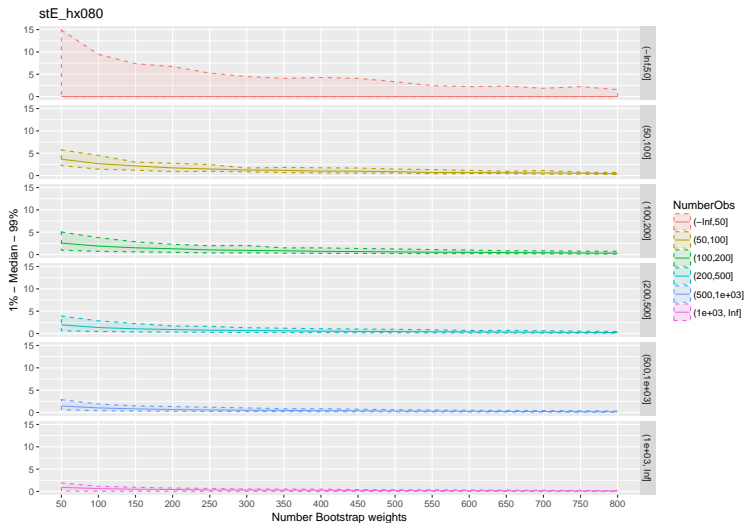
```
erg$cvHigh[HX080==TRUE]
```

```
##          RB010 DB040 DB100 HX080
##  1:         2008  ES22     2  TRUE
##  2:         2008  ES30     2  TRUE
##  3:         2008  ES63     1  TRUE
##  4: 2008_2009_2010 ES53     2  TRUE
##  5:         2009  ES12     3  TRUE
##  ---
## 185:         2016  ES62     2  TRUE
## 186:         2016  ES63     1  TRUE
## 187:         2016  ES64     1  TRUE
## 188:         2016  ES70     1  TRUE
## 189:         2016  ES70     3  TRUE
```

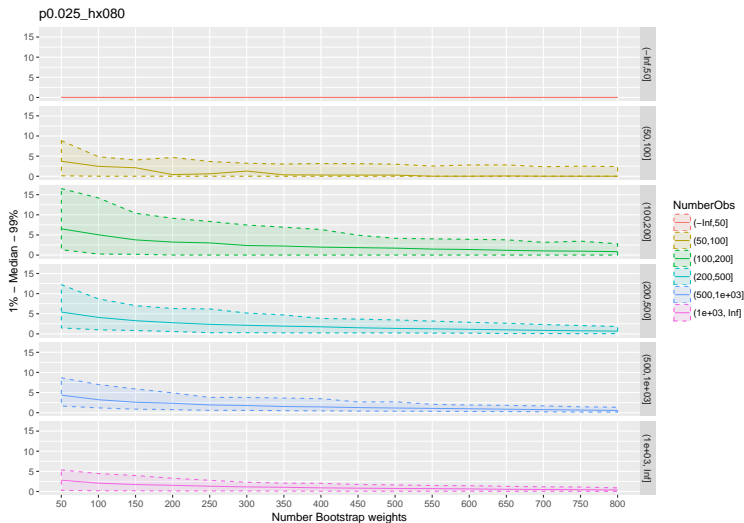
Suggested Number of bootstrap replicates

- Current Population Survey (<https://cps.ipums.org/cps/>) suggest 150 replicates
 - use Jackknife resampling technique
- Depending on size of subgroup different number of bootstrap replicates might be usefull
- In general we suggest 250 bootstrap replicates

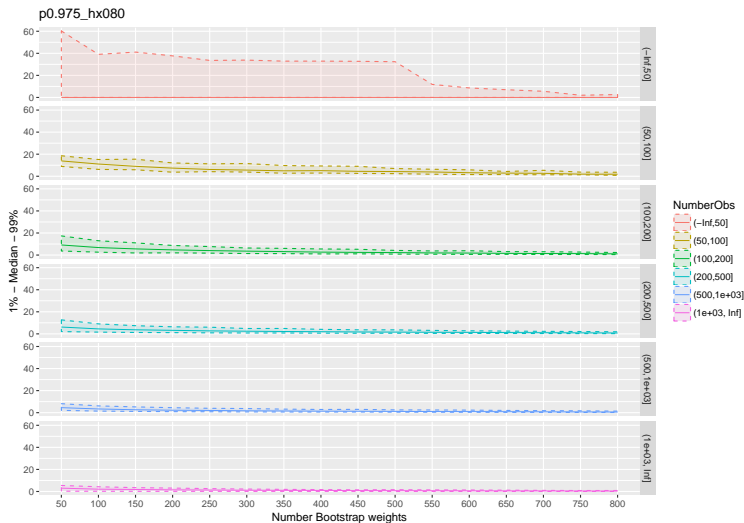
Suggested Number of bootstrap replicates



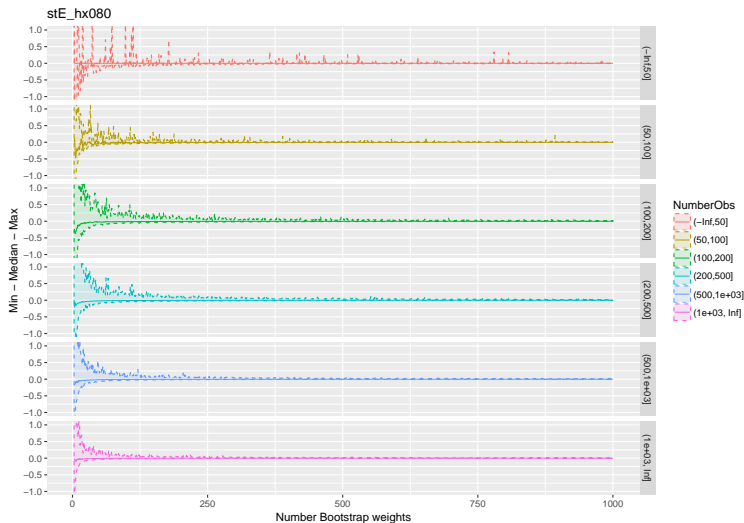
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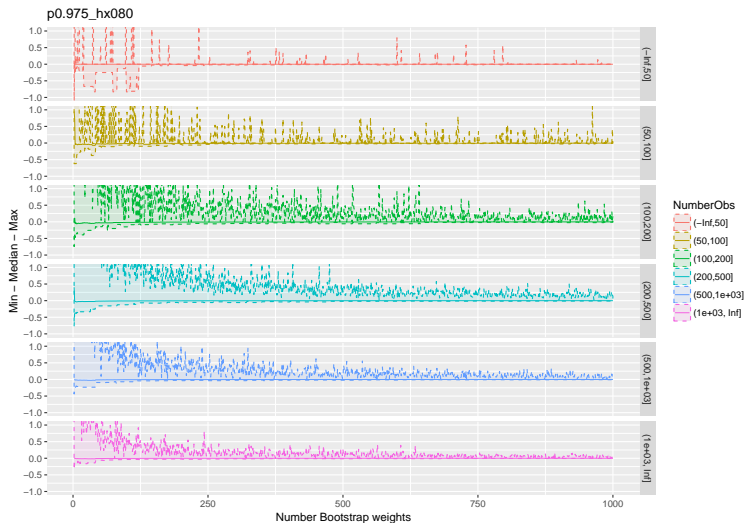
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