Bootstrapping example on the titanic dataset

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```
library("readr") #For read_csv
library("dplyr")
library("knitr") # For kable
library("coxed")

data <- read_csv(("TitanicFull.csv"))
data<-as.data.frame(data)</pre>
```

Hopefully anyone reading this will have seen the titanic dataset before, For some introduction and background to the dataset, please see https://www.kaggle.com/competitions/titanic/overview

In this experiment we are interested in studying the average age of adult passengers on the titanic. We will apply bootstrapping techniques on a random sample of the population. Then we will filter the data to survivors and separate by sex.

head(data)

```
##
     PassengerId Survived Pclass
## 1
                         0
                1
## 2
               2
                         1
## 3
               3
                         1
                                 3
## 4
               4
               5
                         0
                                 3
## 5
## 6
                                 3
##
                                                                Sex Age SibSp Parch
                                                       Name
## 1
                                   Braund, Mr. Owen Harris
                                                               male
## 2 Cumings, Mrs. John Bradley (Florence Briggs Thayer) female
                                                                                   0
## 3
                                    Heikkinen, Miss. Laina female
                                                                     26
                                                                                   0
            Futrelle, Mrs. Jacques Heath (Lily May Peel) female
                                                                                   0
## 4
                                                                                   0
## 5
                                  Allen, Mr. William Henry
                                                                     35
                                                               male
                                          Moran, Mr. James
                                                                                   0
## 6
                                                               male
                                                                     NA
##
                Ticket
                          Fare Cabin Embarked
## 1
            A/5 21171
                          7.25
                                 <NA>
                                             S
## 2
             PC 17599 71.2833
                                  C85
                                             C
## 3 STON/02. 3101282
                         7.925
                                 <NA>
                                             S
                                             S
## 4
                113803
                          53.1
                                C123
## 5
                373450
                          8.05
                                 <NA>
                                             S
## 6
               330877 8.4583
                                 <NA>
                                             Q
data <- subset(data, data$Age >= 18)
age_data <- data$Age
```

We know the true mean of the data. For our bootstrapping experiment, we will take a random sample of "n" values from the population.

```
n <- 50
sample_age <- sample(age_data, n, replace = FALSE)
c("Sample mean", mean(sample_age))</pre>
```

```
## [1] "Sample mean" "35.47"
```

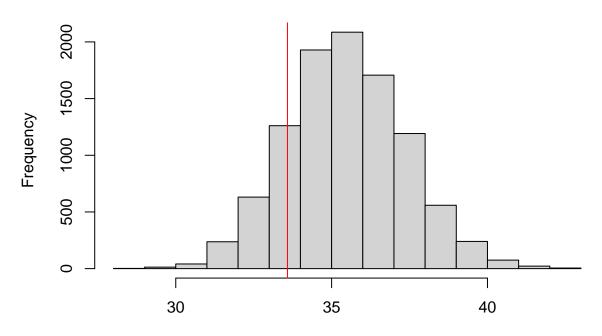
Now from this sample, we can subsample with replacement n values, known as bootstrapping. R has a built in function for this, known as boot(), We can also use sample() with replace set to true,

```
bootstrap <- function(sample_age, mean_subsamples){
   subsample <- sample(sample_age, n, replace = TRUE)
   mean_subsamples <- append(mean_subsamples, mean(subsample))
   return(mean_subsamples)
}

iterations <- 10000
bootstrap_means <- c()
for(i in 1:iterations){
   bootstrap_means <- bootstrap(sample_age, bootstrap_means)
}

hist(bootstrap_means, breaks = 20, xlab = "Mean of bootstrapped subsamples", ylab = "Frequency", main = abline(v = mean(age_data), col = "red")
#text(locator(), labels = "True pop mean")
coords <- locator()</pre>
```

Bootstrapped Means



Mean of bootstrapped subsamples

```
c("The True population mean is", mean(age_data))

## [1] "The True population mean is" "33.5831946755408"

c("Our bootstrapped estimate of the population mean from a random sample is", mean(bootstrap_means))

## [1] "Our bootstrapped estimate of the population mean from a random sample is"

## [2] "35.468619"

CI <- 0.95
orderedmean <- sort(bootstrap_means)
lower <- orderedmean[iterations*((1-CI)/2)]
upper <- orderedmean[iterations - (iterations*(1-CI)/2)]
c("Percentile CI", lower, upper)

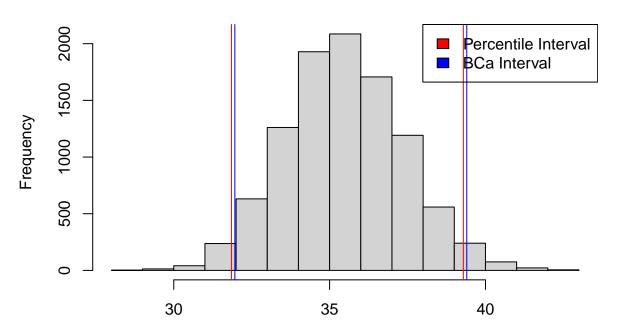
## [1] "Percentile CI" "31.85" "39.29"

bca <- bca(bootstrap_means, CI)
c("BCa CI", bca)

## [1] "BCa CI" "31.96" "39.4"</pre>
```

```
hist(bootstrap_means, breaks = 20, xlab = "Mean of bootstrapped subsamples", ylab = "Frequency", main =
abline(v = lower, col = "red")
abline(v = upper, col = "red")
abline(v = bca[1], col = "blue")
abline(v = bca[2], col = "blue")
legend("topright",c("Percentile Interval", "BCa Interval"), fill = c("red","blue"))
```

Confidence intervals (n=50)



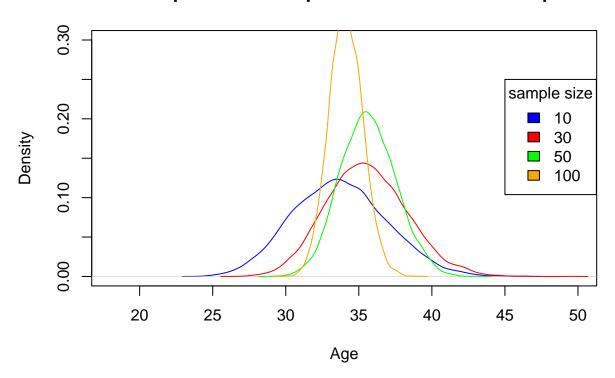
Mean of bootstrapped subsamples

lets experiment with the size of the sample from the dataset.

```
n <- c(10,30,50,100)
colours <- c("blue", "red", "green", "orange", "pink")
for (j in 1:length(n)){
    sample_age <- sample(age_data, n[j], replace = FALSE)
    bootstrap <- function(sample_age, mean_subsamples){
        subsample <- sample(sample_age, n[j], replace = TRUE)
        mean_subsamples <- append(mean_subsamples, mean(subsample))
        return(mean_subsamples)
    }
    iterations <- 10000
    bootstrap_means <- c()
    for(i in 1:iterations){
        bootstrap_means <- bootstrap(sample_age, bootstrap_means)
}
if(j == 1){
    plot(density(bootstrap_means), xlab = "Age", xlim = c(18,50),ylim = c(0,0.3), col=colours[j], main = c(18,50),ylim = c(0,0.3), col=colours[j], main = c(18,50)</pre>
```

```
}else{
    lines(density(bootstrap_means), col=colours[j])
}
legend(45, 0.25, legend = n, fill = colours, title = "sample size")
```

comparison of sample sizes used for bootstrap



The results here are as expected. This shows the real world issue of choosing the right sample size to give a meaningful confidence interval when weighed up to cost and feasability - we will almost never have access to a whole population dataset.

Now we filter by survived and split the data by sex

```
survived_M <- subset(data, data$Survived == "1" & data$Sex == "male" & data$Age >= 18)
surv_data_M <- survived_M$Age
surv_data_M <- surv_data_M[!is.na(surv_data_M)]

survived_F <- subset(data, data$Survived == "1" & data$Sex == "female" & data$Age >= 18)
surv_data_F <- survived_F$Age
surv_data_F <- surv_data_F[!is.na(surv_data_F)]

n <- 50
sample_age_M <- sample(surv_data_M, n, replace = FALSE)
sample_age_F <- sample(surv_data_F, n, replace = FALSE)

#c("Sample mean", mean(sample_age_M))

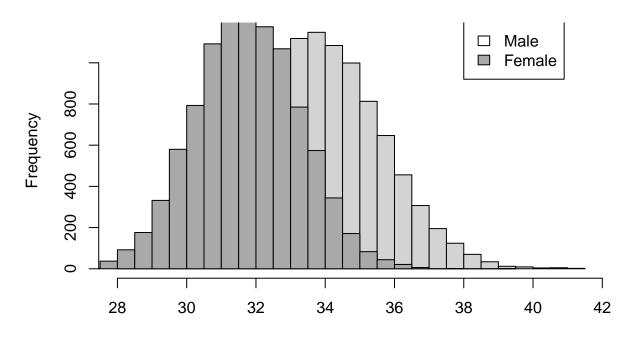
bootstrap <- function(sample_age, mean_subsamples){</pre>
```

```
subsample <- sample(sample_age, n, replace = TRUE)
mean_subsamples <- append(mean_subsamples, mean(subsample))
return(mean_subsamples)
}

iterations <- 10000
bootstrap_means_M <- c()
bootstrap_means_F <- c()
for(i in 1:iterations){
   bootstrap_means_M <- bootstrap(sample_age_M, bootstrap_means_M)
   bootstrap_means_F <- bootstrap(sample_age_F, bootstrap_means_F)
}

hist(bootstrap_means_M, breaks = 20, xlab = "Mean of bootstrapped subsamples (age)", ylab = "Frequency"
hist(bootstrap_means_F, breaks = 20, add = TRUE, col = "dark grey")
legend(38, 1200, legend = c("Male", "Female"), fill = c("white", "dark grey"))</pre>
```

Bootstrapped Means

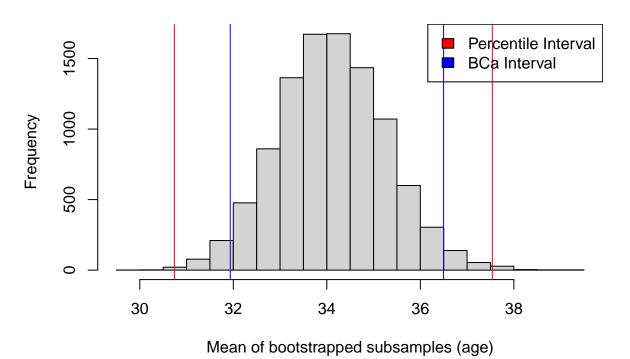


CI <- 0.95
orderedmean <- sort(bootstrap_means_M)
lower <- orderedmean[iterations*((1-CI)/2)]
upper <- orderedmean[iterations - (iterations*(1-CI)/2)]
c("Percentile CI",lower,upper)</pre>

Mean of bootstrapped subsamples (age)

```
## [1] "Percentile CI" "30.74" "37.54"
```

CI bootstrapped subsamples for Male survivor data (n=50)



There appears to be a large difference in the BCa and percentile intervals. This may indicate bias and/or skewness in the data. More research into the bias and skewness should be conducted.