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Business Analytics

Week 6
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Resampling methods

Resampling methods are used in

- validating models by using (random) subsets of the data (e.g cross validation and bootstrapping),
- estimating uncertainty in sample statistics by drawing randomly with replacement from the data set (e.g. bootstrapping),
- performing (non-parametric) significance tests (permutation tests).

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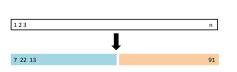
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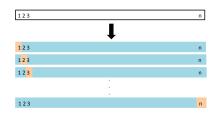
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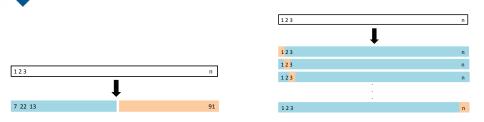
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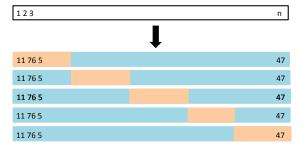




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Cross-validation





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k-fold Cross-validation

- Divide the data set into *k* different parts.
- Remove one part, fit the model on the remaining k-1 parts, and compute the MSE on the omitted part.
- Repeat k times taking out a different part each time

By averaging the k MSEs we get an estimated validation (test) error rate for new observations.

$$CV_{(k)} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} MSE_i$$

LOOCV is a special case where k = n.

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k-fold Cross-validation

- Each training set is only (k-1)/k as big as the original data set. So the estimates of prediction error will be biased upwards.
- Bias minimized when k = n (LOOCV).
- But variance increases with k (as there are overlapping observations in each part).
- k = 5 or k = 10 provide a good compromise for this bias-variance tradeoff.

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Pull yourself up by your bootstraps





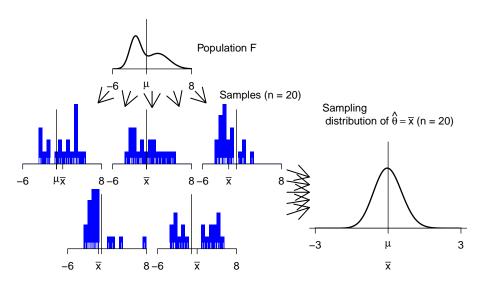
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What is the bootstrap?

The bootstrap is a flexible statistical tool to **quantify the uncertainty** associated with a *given* estimator or statistical learning method.

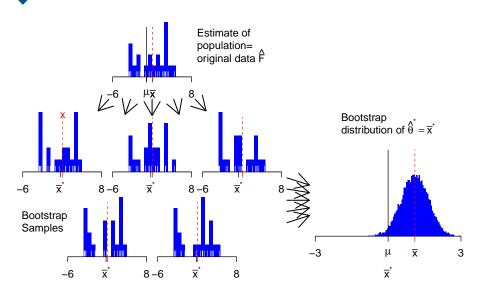
- The bootstrap allows us to use a computer to mimic the process of obtaining new data sets, so that we can estimate the variability of our estimate without generating additional samples
- We obtain distinct data sets (with the same size as our original dataset) by repeatedly sampling observations from the original data set with replacement (nonparametric) or from an estimated model (parametric).

Bootstrapping: Ideal world



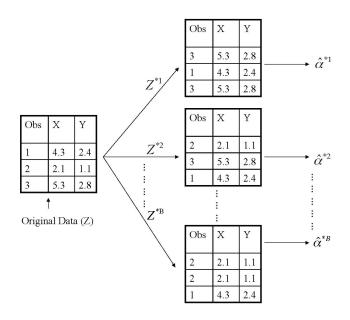
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Bootstrapping: Bootstrap world



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Illustration of the bootstrap



The bootstrap procedure

- Find a good estimate \hat{P} of P
 - Parametric bootstrap
 - Nonparametric bootstrap
- Draw *B* independent bootstrap samples $X^{*(1)}, \ldots, X^{*(B)}$ from \hat{P} :

$$X_1^{*(b)}, \ldots, X_n^{*(b)} \sim \hat{P} \quad b = 1, \ldots, B.$$

Evaluate the bootstrap replications:

$$\hat{\theta}^{*(b)} = s(X^{*(b)}) \quad b = 1, \dots, B.$$

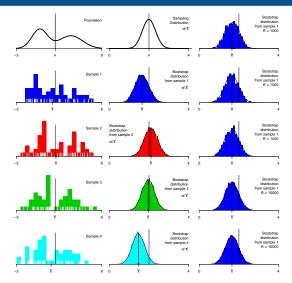
■ Estimate the quantity of interest from the distribution of the $\hat{\theta}^{*(b)}$

Examples

What is the standard error of $\hat{\theta}$ (i.e., the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of $\hat{\theta}$)?

- $\hat{\theta}=$ sample mean
- $\hat{\theta} = \text{sample median}$
- $\hat{\theta}=$ expected shortfall at 5%
- $\hat{\theta} = \log 1$ autocorrelation.

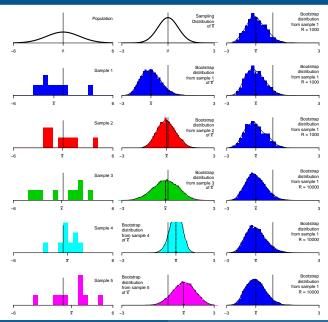
Sample mean: n = 50



■ Two types of random variation

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Sample mean: n = 9



Fit the model on a set of bootstrap samples, and then keep track of how well it predicts the original dataset

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Each of these bootstrap data sets is created by sampling with replacement, and is the same size as our original dataset. As a result some observations may appear more than once in a given bootstrap data set and some not at all.

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$$=1-(1-rac{1}{n})^n$$
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 $=0.632$

Remember that cross-validation uses

non-overlapping data for the training and

validation samples

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Better bootstrap version: we only keep track of predictions from bootstrap samples not containing that observation. The leave-one-out bootstrap estimate of prediction error can be defined as

$$\mathsf{Err}_{\mathsf{loo-boot}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{|C^{-i}|} \sum_{b \in C^{-i}} L(y_i, \hat{f}^{*b}(x_i))$$

where C^{-i} is the set of indices of the bootstrap samples b that do not contain observation i. Problem of overfitting with Err_{boot} solved but training-set-size bias as with cross-validation.

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