Statistics 211 In-Class Assessments

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Consider the following sample of n=5 observations from some population with mean μ and variance σ^2 : -1.55, 0.08, -0.87, -0.09, -0.90.

- 1. Which one of the following is *not* a possible bootstrap sample?
 - (a) -1.55, -1.55, -1.55, -1.55, -0.90
 - (b) -1.55, 0.08, -0.87, -0.90, -1.55
 - (c) -0.09, -0.09, -0.09, 0.08, -1.55
 - (d) -0.87, 3.00, -0.09, -0.09, -0.09
- 2. Suppose we create B = 500 bootstrap samples and compute the sample mean \bar{x} each time. If we drew a histogram of the B sample means, we would be looking at an approximation of which one of the following?
 - (a) The sampling distribution of \bar{X} .
 - (b) The population distribution.
 - (c) The distribution of μ .
 - (d) The distribution of σ^2 .
- 3. Suppose we compute a 95% confidence interval of [-1.49, 0.16].
 - (a) Which of the following are correct statements about this interval? Select all correct answers.
 - i. The probability that μ is between -1.49 and 0.16 is 0.95.
 - ii. We are 95% confident that μ is in this interval.
 - iii. If we were to repeat this experiment many times, 95% of all intervals constructed in this way could be expected to contain μ .
 - iv. While we are confident in the interval estimate, we can not know for certain whether μ is actually contained in it.
 - (b) If we decreased our confidence level, what would happen to the interval?
 - i. The interval would get wider.
 - ii. The interval would get narrower.
 - (c) If we *increased* the sample size, what would happen to the interval?
 - i. The interval would get wider.
 - ii. The interval would get narrower.