Bootstrapping a PLS-SEM

Bootstrapping in SEMinR

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PLS model estimation in SEMinR

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Why we bootstrap

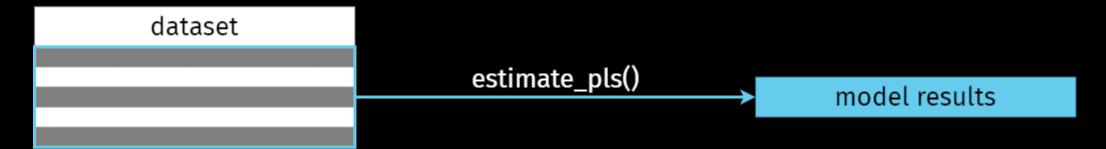
Bootstrapping gives you significance information for

- path coefficients
- weights
- loadings
- HTMT ratios

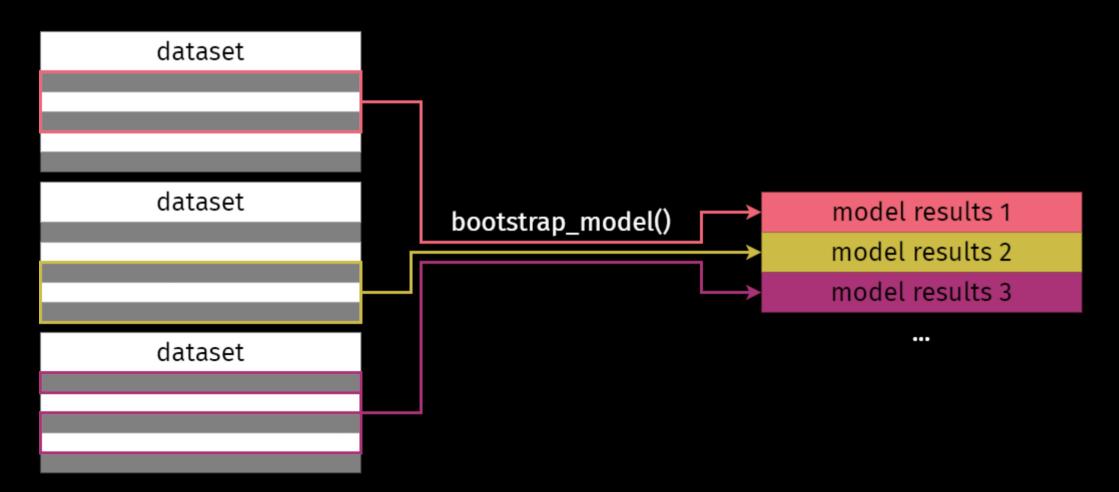
... given your data

How bootstrapping works

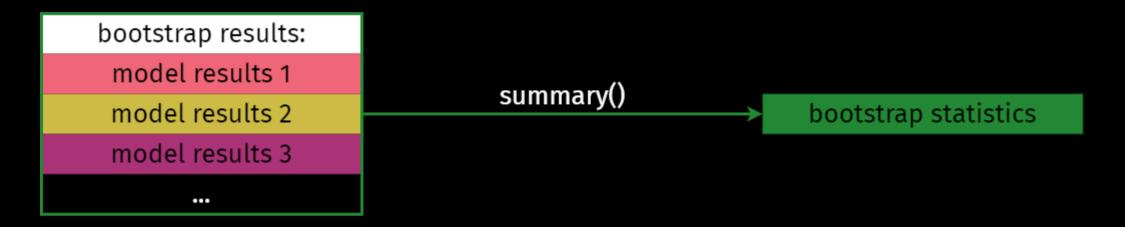
Regular model estimation process:



How bootstrapping works



How bootstrapping works



Statistics include mean, standard deviation and confidence intervals on the basis of the different model results.

Bootstrapping a model - preparation

```
# load seminr library
library(seminr)
# quickly estimate model
model <- estimate pls(</pre>
  data = mobi,
  measurement_model = constructs(
  composite("Reputation", multi_items("IMAG", 1:5)),
  composite("Satisfaction", multi_items("CUSA", 1:3)),
  composite("Loyalty", multi_items("CUSL", 1:3))),
  structural_model = relationships(
  paths(from = "Reputation", to = c("Satisfaction", "Loyalty")),
  paths(from = "Satisfaction", to = "Loyalty"))
```

Generating the seminr model
All 250 observations are valid.

Bootstrapping a model - the fundamentals

```
# bootstrap the model
bootstrapmodel <- bootstrap_model(
    seminr_model = model, # a pls model
    nboot = 500, # the number of bootstrap iterations
    cores = NULL,
    seed = NULL
)</pre>
```

Bootstrapping a model - cores and seed

```
# bootstrap the model
bootstrapmodel <- bootstrap_model(
   seminr_model = model,
   nboot = 500,
   cores = NULL,  # the maximum number of cores to use
   seed = NULL  # the random seed
)</pre>
```

Bootstrapping a model

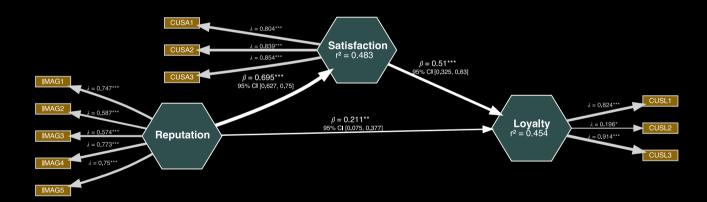
```
# bootstrap the model
bootstrapmodel <- bootstrap_model(
   seminr_model = model,
   nboot = 100
  )

## Bootstrapping model using seminr...</pre>
```

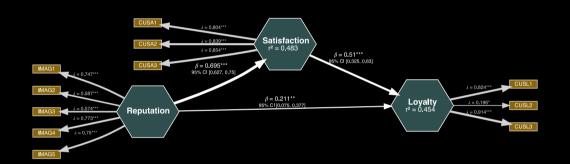
SEMinR Model successfully bootstrapped

The SEMinR bootstrap model object - plot

plot(bootstrapmodel)



The SEMinR bootstrap model object - plot



$$p < .001$$
, ** $p < .01$, * $p < .05$

95% CI[lower bound, upper bound]

The SEMinR bootstrap model object - subobjects

```
> bootstrapmodel$
```

bootstrapmodel\$boot_paths

```
##
##
##
                Reputation Satisfaction
                                           Lovalty
  Reputation
                               0.6975628 0.1547664
  Satisfaction
                               0.0000000 0.5838384
  Loyalty
                               0.000000 0.0000000
##
##
##
                Reputation Satisfaction
                                           Loyalty
```

The SEMinR bootstrap model object - summary

```
# print summary of the bootstrapped model
summary(bootstrapmodel)
```

```
##
  Results from Bootstrap resamples:
                                    100
##
  Bootstrapped Structural Paths:
##
                              Original Est. Bootstrap Mean Bootstrap SD T Stat.
  Reputation -> Satisfaction
                                                                 0.033
                                                                        20.926
                                      0.695
                                                    0.697
  Reputation -> Loyalty
                                      0.211
                                                    0.218
                                                                 0.076
                                                                        2.763
  Satisfaction -> Loyalty
                                      0.510
                                                    0.501
                                                                 0.086
                                                                         5.904
##
  Bootstrapped Weights:
                         Original Est. Bootstrap Mean Bootstrap SD T Stat. 2.5%
##
                                                            0.024 12.726^{14}
                                 0.305
                                                0.306
  IMAG1 -> Reputation
```

The SEMinR model object - summary subobjects

```
# save summary of the bootstrapped model
summarybootmodel <- summary(bootstrapmodel)</pre>
```

```
# number of bootstrap iterations
summarybootmodel$nboot
```

```
## [1] 100
```

The SEMinR model object - summary subobjects

```
# bootstrapped paths
summarybootmodel$bootstrapped_paths
```

```
Original Est. Bootstrap Mean Bootstrap SD T Stat.
##
  Reputation
                                                                       20.926
              -> Satisfaction
                                     0.695
                                                    0.697
                                                                0.033
  Reputation -> Loyalty
                                     0.211
                                                    0.218
                                                                0.076
                                                                        2.763
  Satisfaction -> Loyalty
                                     0.510
                                                                0.086
                                                                        5,904
                                                    0.501
```

The SEMinR model object - summary subobjects

```
# bootstrapped weights
summarybootmodel$bootstrapped_weights
# bootstrapped loadings
summarybootmodel$bootstrapped_loadings
# bootstrapped HTMT
summarybootmodel$bootstrapped_HTMT
```

bootstrapped total paths - includes mediated influence
summarybootmodel\$bootstrapped_total_paths

```
##
                              Original Est. Bootstrap Mean Bootstrap SD T Stat.
  Reputation -> Satisfaction
                                                                      20.926
                                     0.695
                                                   0.697
                                                               0.033
  Reputation -> Loyalty
                                     0.565
                                                   0.568
                                                               0.054
                                                                      10.468
  Satisfaction
               -> Lovalty
                                     0.510
                                                   0.501
                                                                0.086
                                                                       57. 9094
```

Summary

- Why we bootstrap
- How bootstrapping works
- Model bootstrapping with bootstrap_model()
- Bootstrapped model object and bootstrapped model summary object

Sources for this video

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