

## Bootstrap Principle

- Approximate  $F$  with  $\hat{F}$  and use resampling techniques for inference
- We can use this method to build CI's for  $\theta$

$$\left( \hat{\theta}_{(\alpha/2)}^*, \hat{\theta}_{(1-\alpha/2)}^* \right) \text{ Percentile C.I.}$$

Why is this correct?

Consider  $\phi$  monotone increasing and  $H$  cdf continuous and symmetric about 0. such that

$$\phi(\hat{\theta}) - \phi(\theta) \sim H$$

Then

$$\mathbb{P}(H_{\alpha/2} \leq \phi(\hat{\theta}) - \phi(\theta) \leq H_{1-\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\phi(\hat{\theta}) - H_{1-\alpha/2} \leq \phi(\theta) \leq \phi(\hat{\theta}) - H_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\phi^{-1}(\phi(\theta) - H_{1-\alpha/2}) \leq \theta \leq \phi^{-1}(\phi(\theta) - H_{\alpha/2})) = 1 - \alpha$$

But since  $[\phi(\hat{\theta})]_{\alpha} = H_{\alpha} + \phi(\theta)$

B.P.  
 $\Rightarrow$   $[\phi(\hat{\theta}^*)]_{\alpha} \simeq H_{\alpha} + \phi(\theta)$

Big idea

Then

$$\phi^{-1}(\phi(\hat{\theta}) + H_{\alpha}) \simeq \phi^{-1}([\phi(\hat{\theta}^*)]_{\alpha})$$

$$\simeq \phi^{-1}(\phi(\hat{\theta}^*)) = \hat{\theta}^*$$

Hence

$$P(\hat{\theta}_{\alpha/2}^* \leq \theta \leq \hat{\theta}_{(1-\alpha/2)}^*) = 1 - \alpha$$

The percentile method can be extended to account for bias and variances depending on  $\phi(\theta)$

Adjustment is called

"Bias-Corrected and Accelerated" BAC CI

Assume  $H = \mathbb{R}$  and constraints

$z_0, a$ , such that

$$\frac{\phi(\hat{\theta}) - \phi(\theta)}{1 + a \phi(\theta)} + z_0 \sim N(0, 1)$$

We then follow a similar argument

to build the C.I.

$$\mathbb{P}\left(z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\phi(\hat{\theta}) - \phi(\theta)}{1 + a\phi(\theta)} + z_0 \leq z_{1-\alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\dots \leq \phi(\theta) \leq \phi(\hat{\theta}) + \frac{z_0 - z_{\alpha/2}}{1 - a(z_0 - z_{\alpha/2})} [1 + a\phi(\hat{\theta})]\right)$$

Notice as well that

$$\phi(\hat{\theta}) \sim N\left(\phi(\theta) - z_0(1 + a\phi(\theta)), (1 + a\phi(\theta))^2\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\phi(\hat{\theta})]_{\alpha} &= \phi(\theta) - z_0(1 + a\phi(\theta)) \\ &\quad + z_{\alpha}(1 + a\phi(\theta)) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \phi(\theta) + (z_{\alpha} - z_0)(1 + a\phi(\theta))$$

Thus

$$\phi(\theta) \leq \phi(\hat{\theta}) + (z_{\alpha_2} - z_0) (1 + a \phi(\hat{\theta}))$$

such that

$$z_{\alpha_2} - z_0 = \frac{z_0 - z_{\alpha/2}}{1 - a(z_0 - z_{\alpha/2})}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha/2 = \Phi^{-1} \left( z_0 + \frac{z_0 + z_{1-\alpha/2}}{1 - a(z_0 + z_{1-\alpha/2})} \right)$$

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$$\boxed{\text{B.P.} \Rightarrow [\phi(\hat{\theta}^*)]_{\alpha/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \leq \hat{\theta}^*(\alpha_2)$$

By symmetry find

$$\alpha_1 = \Phi^{-1} \left[ z_0 + z_0 + z_{\alpha/2} \right] \quad 7$$

$$1 - \left[ \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha (z_0 + z_{\alpha/2})} \right]$$

Hence

$$P(\hat{\theta}_{(\alpha/2)}^* \leq \theta \leq \hat{\theta}_{(\alpha/2)}^*) = 1 - \alpha$$

Remark: Estimate  $z_0$  using bootstrap  
and  $\alpha$  using variance.