

## HW3: Bootstrap (Due: Thursday, Nov 10, at noon)

The following function simulates data from a bi-variate distribution.

```
simXY=function(n,rho){
  x=scale(rexp(n))
  y=x*rho+rnorm(n,sd=sqrt(1-rho^2))
  return(cbind(x,y))
}

# testing it
tmp=simXY(1e6,.23)
cor(tmp)

##           [,1]      [,2]
## [1,]  1.0000000 0.2305117
## [2,]  0.2305117 1.0000000
```

### 1) SE of the sample correlation and an approximate 95% CI

The following formula is commonly used to approximate the SE of the sample correlation

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{(1 - \rho^2)}{(n - 2)}}$$

**1.1)** Using the following data set report the sample correlation, the SE, and an approximate 95% CI (assuming normality) using the formula presented above.

```
set.seed(195021)
DATA_30=simXY(n=30,rho=.5)
```

**1.2)** Repeat 1.1 using a sample size of 300, comment on the differences in the results

```
set.seed(195021)
DATA_300=simXY(n=300,rho=.5)
```

## 2) Bootstrap CIs (percentile method)

Use 5000 Bootstrap samples to estimate the SE of the sample correlation, and an approximate 95% CI, for each of the data sets simulated above (DATA\_30 and DATA\_300).

To estimate the CI use the percentile method we used in class. That is, report the empirical 2.5% and 97.5% percentiles of the bootstrap estimates.

**Note:** as you implement bootstrap, be sure to save the bootstrap estimates in a vector, you will need those for questions 3 and 4 as well.

## 3) Bootstrap CI: pivotal method

An alternative approach for estimating bootstrap CI is as follows

- Collect bootstrap estimates  $[r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k]$ , here  $r_*$  is a bootstrap estimate of the correlation
- Subtract from the bootstrap estimate the mean of the bootstrap estimates ( $\bar{r}$ ), that is form:  $[\tilde{r}_1 = (r_1 - \bar{r}), \tilde{r}_2 = (r_2 - \bar{r}), \dots, \tilde{r}_k = (r_k - \bar{r})]$
- Compute the relevant percentiles (e.g.,  $q_{0.025}$ , and  $q_{0.975}$ ) of the  $\tilde{r}$ 's
- Use  $CI_{95\%} = [r - q_{0.025} ; r + q_{0.975}]$ , where  $r$  is the sample correlation evaluated in the original data set.

Report 95% pivotal CIs for the DATA\_30 and DATA\_300 using the method described above.

## 4) Bootstrap CI: normal method

If we assume normality, we can compute a Bootstrap CI using  $r \pm 1.96 \times SE$  where  $r$  is the correlation estimated in the original sample, and  $SE$  is a Bootstrap estimate of the SE.

Report 95% CIs for each of the data sets using the normal method.

## 5) Compare all the CIs for each of the data sets