

Homework 6

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KEY

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Exercises

1.

a. Find the values for \bar{x} , \bar{y} , σ_1 and σ_2 .

```
n1 <- 25
n2 <- 36

xbar <- (1.37 + 1.53)/2
ybar <- (1.17 + 1.29)/2

sigma1 <- sqrt(n1)*((1.53-1.37)/2)/qnorm(p=0.975)
sigma2 <- sqrt(n2)*((1.29 - 1.17)/2)/qnorm(p=0.975)

cat("xbar:", xbar, "ybar:", ybar, "sigma1", round(sigma1,4), "sigma2", round(sigma2,4) )

## xbar: 1.45 ybar: 1.23 sigma1 0.2041 sigma2 0.1837
```

b. The expected value and variance of $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$ is shown below:

$$\begin{aligned} E[\bar{X} - \bar{Y}] &= E[\bar{X}] - E[\bar{Y}], \\ &= \mu_1 - \mu_2. \\ \text{Var}[\bar{X} - \bar{Y}] &= \text{Var}[\bar{X}] + \text{Var}[\bar{Y}] \quad \text{independence} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_1^2}{25} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{36} \\ SD(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{25} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{36}} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \approx \text{Norm}\left(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{25} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{36}}\right)$$

c. Just as we did with a single mean, we can use the distribution of $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$ to construct a confidence interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$. We simply consider the probability lying under this distribution between -1.96 and

1.96. Specifically

$$P\left(-1.96 \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \leq 1.96\right) = 0.95.$$

We then invert the event inside the probability to keep $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ in the middle of the inequalities. In other words:

$$P\left(\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - 1.96 \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}} \leq (\mu_1 - \mu_2) \leq (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + 1.96 \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}\right) = 0.95.$$

Therefore a 95% confidence interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ is

$$\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}.$$

For this data, we can use the answers from part a to get the interval.}

```
xbar - ybar + c(-1,1)*1.96*sqrt(sigma1^2/n1 + sigma2^2/n2)
```

```
## [1] 0.1199982 0.3200018
```

2. A large sample $100(1 - \alpha/2)\%$ confidence interval estimator for π_0 is given by

$$\hat{\pi}_0 \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\pi}_0 \times (1 - \hat{\pi}_0)}{n}}$$

where $z_{\alpha/2}$ is the critical value which will ensure the desired level of confidence. For a 90% confidence interval, $z_{\alpha/2} = 1.645$.

For this data, we have $\hat{\pi}_0 = \frac{54}{83}$. The interval is calculated below.

```
n <- 83
pihat <- (23+15+6+8)/n

ci <- pihat + c(-1,1)*1.645*sqrt( pihat*(1-pihat)/n)
```

With 90% confidence, the probability that X exceeds 2 is in the range 0.539, 0.714

3. The formula for a large sample $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval for π_0 is

$$\hat{\pi}_0 \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\pi}_0 \times (1 - \hat{\pi}_0)}{n}}$$

where $z_{\alpha/2}$ is the number such that there is an area of $1 - \alpha$ between $\pm z_{\alpha/2}$.

For a 96% confidence interval, $\alpha = 0.04$ and therefore $z_{\alpha/2} = qnorm(p = 0.02) = -2.0537$.

In order to ensure with 96% confidence that $\hat{\pi}_0$ is no further from π_0 than 0.05, we need

$$n \geq \frac{2.0537^2 \times \frac{1}{4}}{0.05^2} = 422$$

Similarly, we can show that in order to ensure with 92% confidence that $\hat{\pi}_0$ is no further from π_0 than 0.04, we need

$$n \geq \frac{1.7507^2 \times \frac{1}{4}}{0.04^2} = 479$$

Therefore, we need a larger sample size for requiring 92% confidence that $\hat{\pi}_0$ is no further from π_0 than 0.04.

4.

a.

```
#create airbnb_3bed

airbnb <- read_csv("listings.csv")
airbnb_3bed <- airbnb %>% filter(property_type == "House",
                                room_type == "Entire home/apt",
                                bedrooms >= 3) %>%
  mutate(price = parse_number(price)) %>%
  select(price)

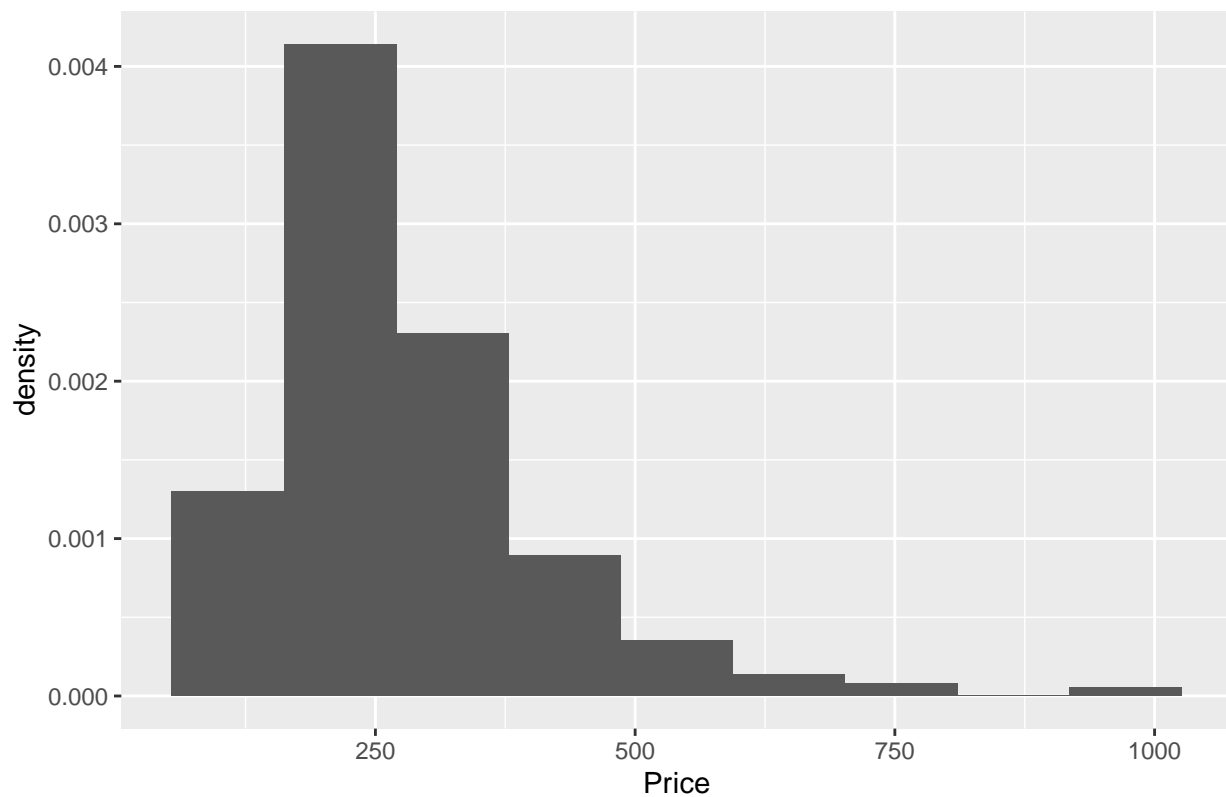
# glimpse
airbnb_3bed %>% glimpse()
```

```
## Rows: 342
## Columns: 1
## $ price <dbl> 975, 450, 461, 700, 450, 600, 450, 325, 175, 222, 348, 400, 170, ~
```

b.

```
#make histogram of price
ggplot(data=airbnb_3bed,
       mapping = aes(x=price,
                     y=after_stat(density)))+
  #binwidth ~ diff(range(x))/log2(nrow(airbnb_new))
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 108)+
  labs(title = "Histogram of Prices: Filtered Airbnb Dataset",
       x = 'Price',
       y = 'density')
```

Histogram of Prices: Filtered Airbnb Dataset



```
#calculate median price

airbnb_3bed %>%
  summarise(pop_median = median(price))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##   pop_median
##   <dbl>
## 1      250
```

The shape of the population distribution of price is skewed to the right. The median price in the population is \$250

c.

```
set.seed(1512974)

airbnb_3bed_sample <- airbnb_3bed %>% slice_sample(n=50)

obs_median <- airbnb_3bed_sample %>%
  summarise(muhat =median(price)) %>% pull()

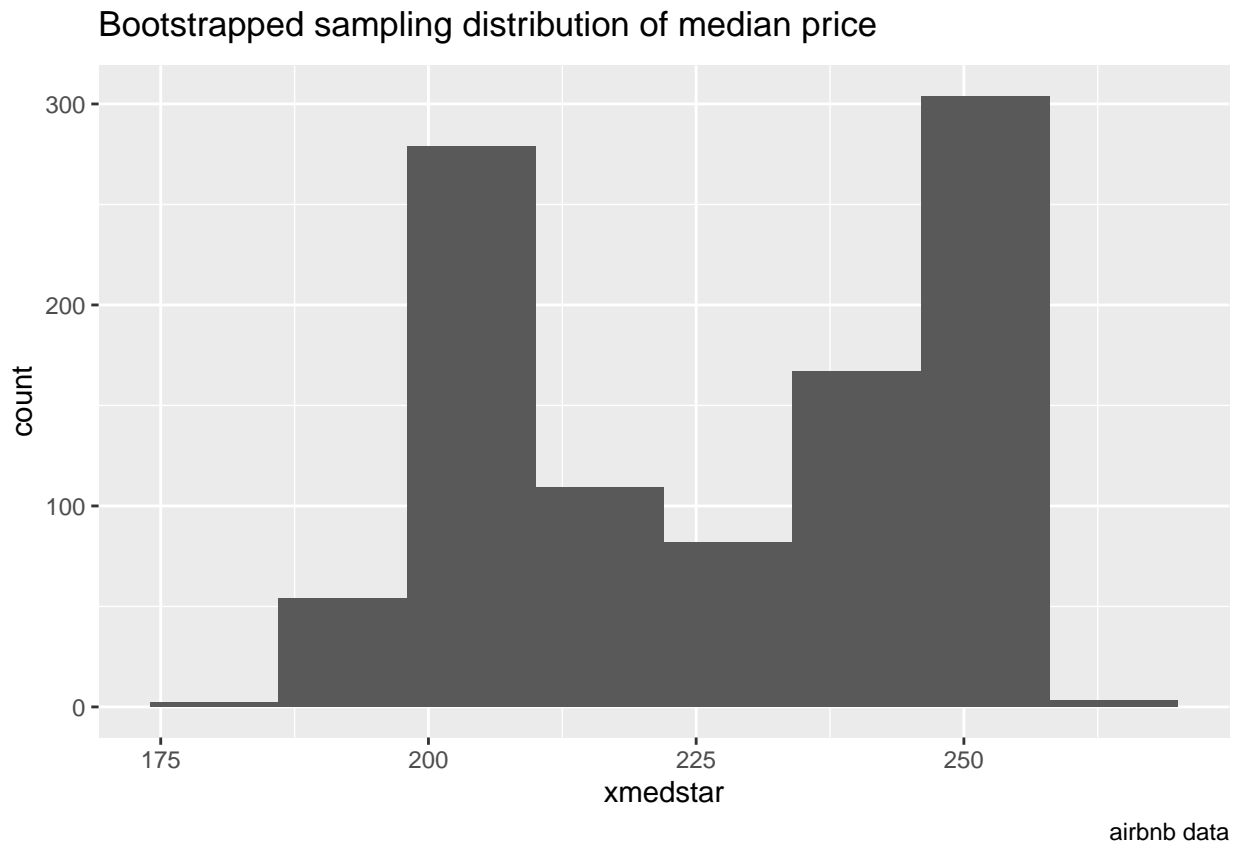
cat("Median price in sample", obs_median)
```

```
## Median price in sample 230
```

The median price in the sample is \$230

d.

```
#generate sample of n = 50 from airbnb_3bed_sample  
#with replacement and then calculate median.  
#Repeat B times  
  
set.seed(14141)  
B = 1000  
  
boot_df <- tibble(  
  xmedstar = replicate(n = B,  
                        expr = median(sample(  
                          x =airbnb_3bed_sample$price,  
                          size = nrow(airbnb_3bed_sample),  
                          replace = TRUE))))  
  
#make a histogram of the bootstrap estimates  
  
ggplot(data = boot_df,  
        mapping = aes(x = xmedstar) ) +  
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 12) +  
  labs(title = expression(paste("Bootstrapped sampling distribution of median price" )),  
        caption="airbnb data")
```



The bootstrapped sampling distribution of the median of price appears bi-modal. But we must keep in mind that this is only based on $B = 1,000$ replications.

#calculated bias-corrected point estimate and 95% percentile-based confidence interval

```
boot_results <- boot_df %>%
  summarise( boot_mean = mean(xmedstar),
             boot_se = sd(xmedstar),
             bias = boot_mean - obs_median,
             bias_corrected_est = obs_median - bias,
             lower = quantile(xmedstar, 0.01),
             upper = quantile(xmedstar, 0.99))
```

boot_results

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 6
##   boot_mean boot_se    bias bias_corrected_est lower upper
##   <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>         <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1   225.258  21.5102  -4.74250         234.742   195   250
```

The bias corrected estimate and lower and upper limits of the 98% bootstrap percentile interval is shown above. I chose the percentile-based interval since the sampling distribution is not symmetric.

In one sentence, the (bias-corrected) estimate of the population median price based on the sample of 50 listings is \$234.7425. With 98% confidence, the smallest the population median price can be is \$195 and the

largest it can be \$250