

# Preview (not done live in class today)

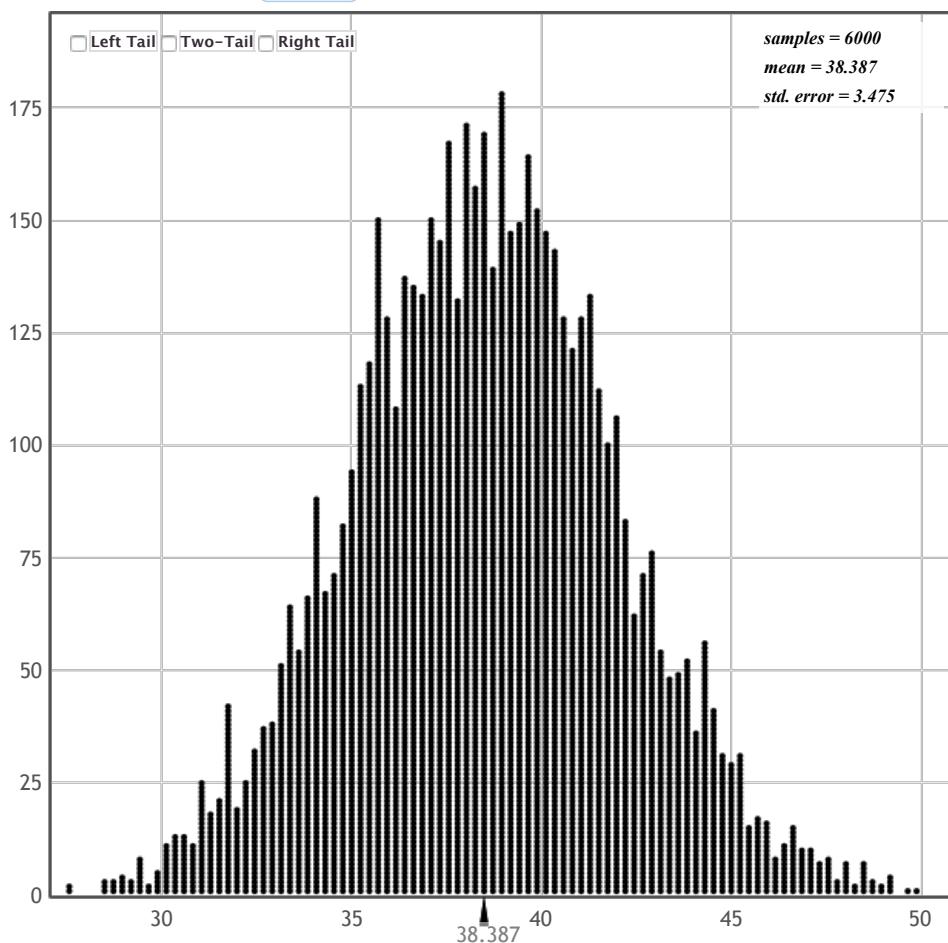
## StatKey Confidence Interval for a Mean, Median, Std. Dev.

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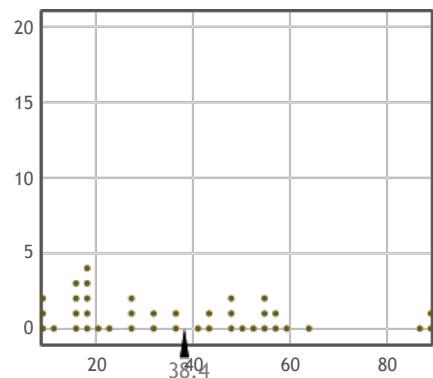
Bootstrap Dotplot of

Mean



### Original Sample

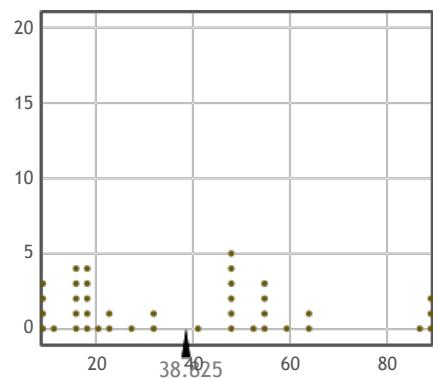
n = 40, mean = 38.4  
median = 34.5, stdev = 22.044



### Bootstrap Sample

[Show Data Table](#)

n = 40, mean = 38.825  
median = 32, stdev = 24.413



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Pictured above is a bootstrap distribution where each dot represents the mean of a bootstrap sample. The original sample appears in the top right panel, is of a quantitative variable with unknown population mean  $\mu$ ; the original sample mean  $\bar{x} = 38.4$ . 6000 bootstrap samples, all of the same size  $n=40$ , were drawn and used to calculate 6000  $\bar{x}$ -values, resulting in the dot plot. The std. deviation of this bootstrap distribution, also called std. error, appears as  $SE_{\bar{x}} = 3.475$ .

Parameter: the thing we often want to know

1.  $p$  = proportion

= relative freq. of certain value of categorical variable in population

point estimate:  $\hat{p}$  = proportion in random sample

Know: sampling dist. of  $\hat{p}$  approx. normal if

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} n p \\ n(1-p) \end{array} \right\} \text{both at least 10}$$

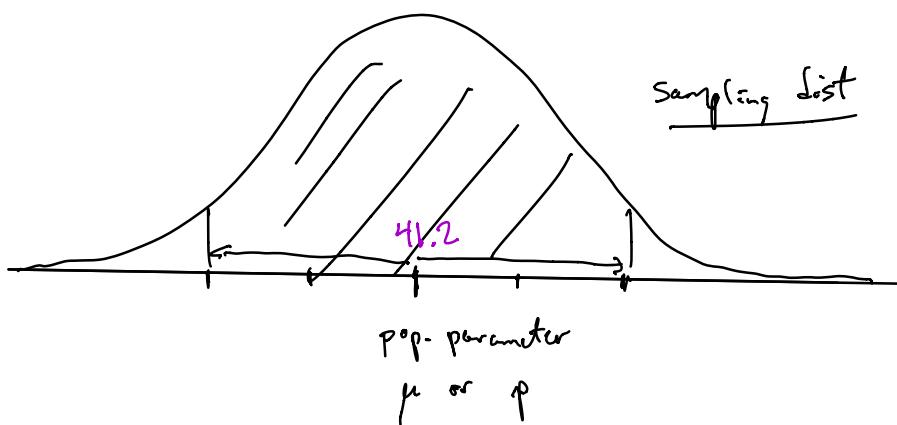
2.  $\mu$  = mean

= avg. of values of quant. variable in a population

point est.  $\bar{x}$  = sample mean

If  $n \geq 30$ ,  $\bar{x}$  will have approx. normal dist.

(sometimes less than 30 works well enough)



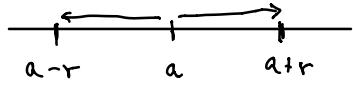
68 - (95) - 99.7% rule

2 std. deviations - more precisely, its 1.96  
std. deviations in each direction

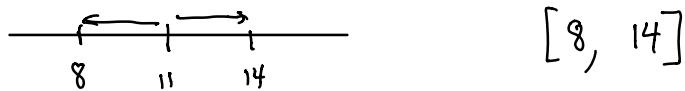
## Building centered intervals

center:  $a$

radius = "margin of error"  $r$



Ex.) Centered interval w/ center = 11, radius = 3



Ex.) Centered interval: center = 17, margin of error = 8.1

$$[8.9, 25.1]$$

↑  
lower bound      ↑  
upper bound

concave  
normal-  
shaped dist.

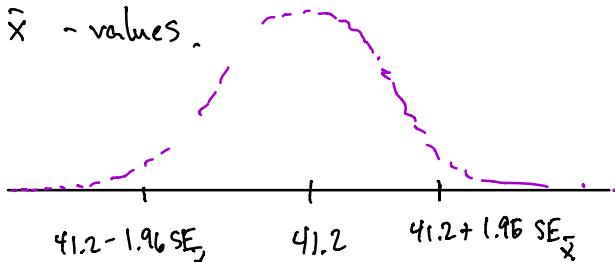
Ex.) Center: population parameter  $\mu = 41.2$

sampling dist. for  $\bar{x}$  (some fixed sample size, say  $n=52$ )

has std. deviation 3.8 ( $SE_{\bar{x}} = 3.8$ )

Want a radius large enough (but no more than needed)

to get a centered interval comprising 95% of  $\bar{x}$ -values.



$$[33.75, 48.65]$$

Putting these ideas to use:

Won't have population parameter ( $\mu$ ,  $p$ , etc. unknown)

Have sample estimate for that parameter:  $\bar{x}$ ,  $\hat{p}$ , etc.

$$(\text{point est.}) \pm \text{margin of error}$$

Confidence Interval for param.

margin of error chosen to comprise certain pctg. of values

Case 95%: margin of error =  $(1.96)(SE)$

90%: " " " =  $(1.645)(SE)$

99%: " " " =  $(2.576)(SE)$

Ex.]

Say want a 90% confidence interval for  $\mu$

having  $\bar{x} = 119.5$  from sample of size  $n=80$

and  $SE_{\bar{x}} = 2.3$

$z^*$

Ans. lower bound =  $119.5 - (1.645)(2.3) = 115.7$

upper bound =  $119.5 + (1.645)(2.3) = 123.3$

or  $[115.7, 123.3]$ .

Lingering question: How to approximate SE?

Answer: (Only possible in recent/computing times)

Bootstrapping.

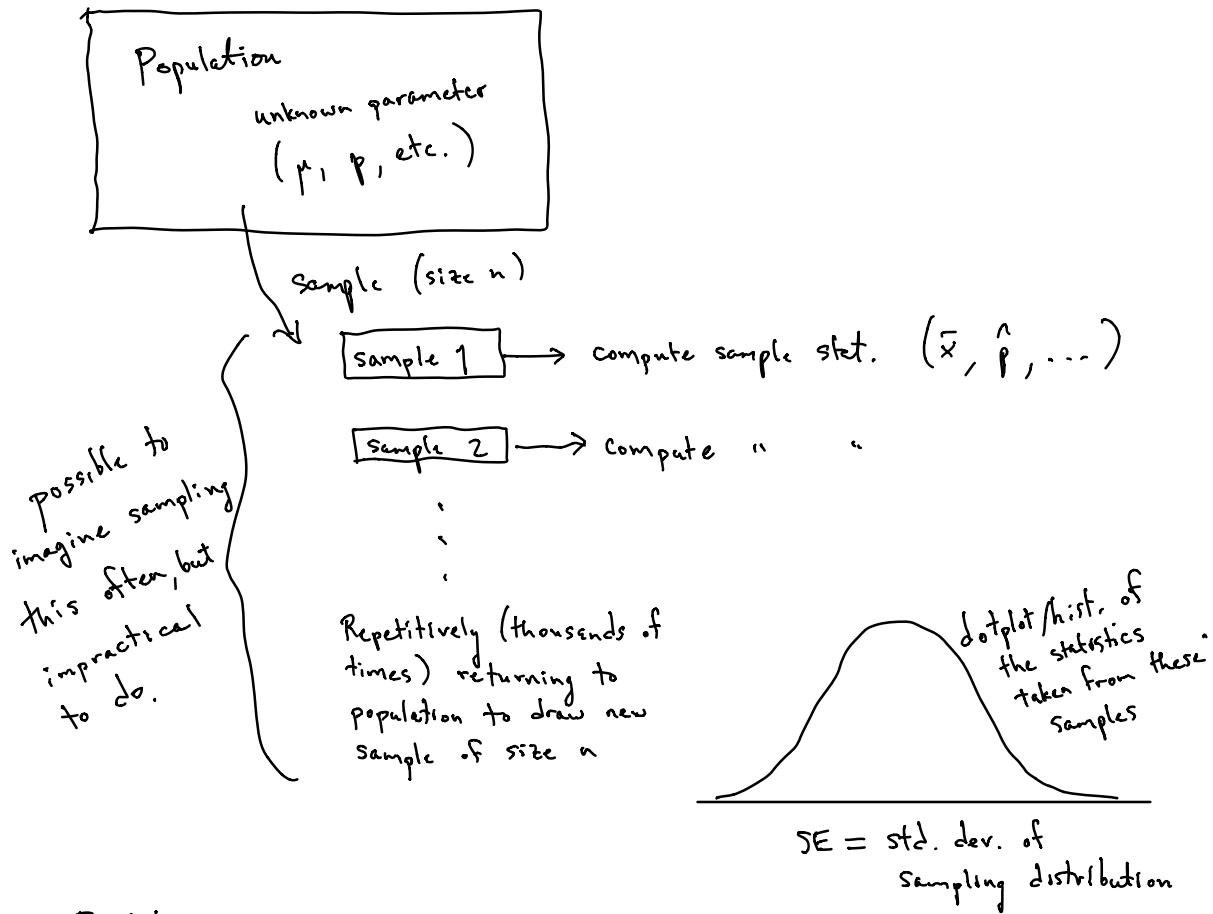
Want SE

Q: What is it?

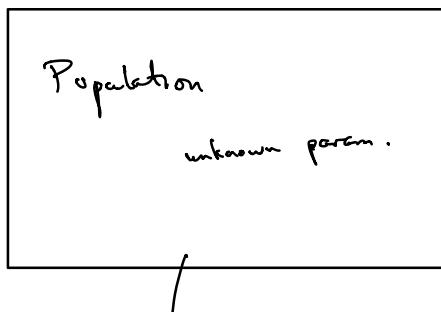
A: Std. dev. of sampling dist.

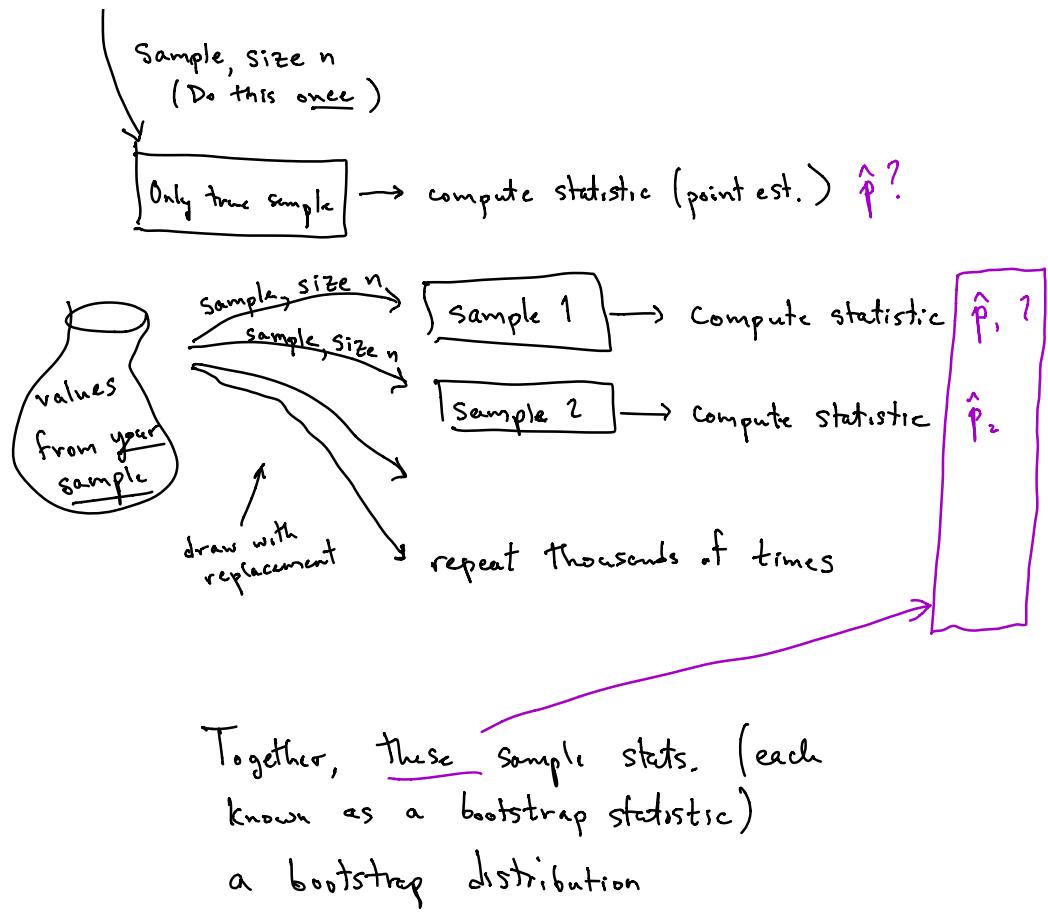
Q: How do you get a sampling dist? (fixed  $n$ )

Schematic for simulating a sampling distribution of a statistic



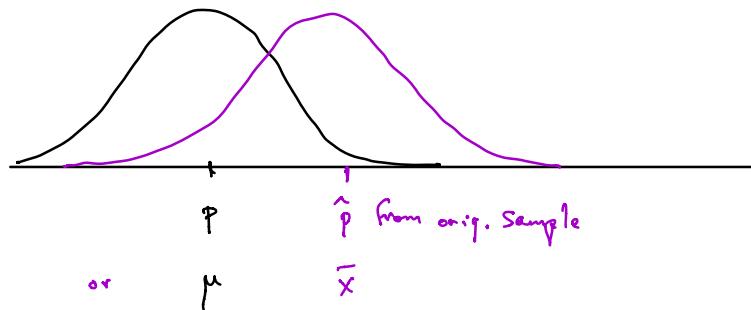
Bootstrapping





Two important facts:

- Sampling distribution centered at population parameter  
but bootstrap distribution centered at sample statistic  
of original sample



- But, std. deviation of bootstrap dist.  $\approx$  std. dev. of sampling dist., so the std. dev. of the bootstrap

distribution can be used to approximate SE.