

## Lecture 26: Bootstrap III

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Recall

- ▶ One sample sign test, Wilcoxon signed rank test, large-sample approximation, median, Hodges-Lehman estimator, distribution-free confidence interval.
- ▶ Jackknife for bias and standard error of an estimator.
- ▶ Bootstrap samples, bootstrap replicates.
- ▶ Bootstrap standard error of an estimator.
- ▶ Bootstrap percentile confidence interval.
- ▶ Hypothesis testing with the bootstrap (one-sample problem.)
- ▶ Assessing the error in bootstrap estimates.
- ▶ Example: inference on ratio of heart attack rates in the aspirin-intake group to the placebo group.
- ▶ The exhaustive bootstrap distribution.

- ▶ Discrete data problems (one-sample, two-sample proportion tests, test of homogeneity, test of independence).
- ▶ Two-sample problems (location problem - equal variance, unequal variance, exact test or Monte Carlo, large-sample approximation, H-L estimator, dispersion problem, general distribution).
- ▶ Permutation tests (permutation test for continuous data, different test statistic, accuracy of permutation tests).
- ▶ Permutation tests (discrete data problems, exchangeability.)
- ▶ Rank-based correlation analysis (Kendall and Spearman correlation coefficients.)
- ▶ Rank-based regression (straight line, multiple linear regression, statistical inference about the unknown parameters, nonparametric procedures - does not depend on the distribution of error term.)
- ▶ Smoothing (density estimation, bias-variance trade-off, curse of dimensionality)
- ▶ Nonparametric regression (Local averaging, local regression, kernel smoothing, local polynomial, penalized regression)

- ▶ Cross-validation, Variance Estimation, Confidence Bands, Bootstrap Confidence Bands.
- ▶ Wavelets (wavelet representation of a function, coefficient estimation using Discrete wavelet transformation, thresholding - VishuShrink and SureShrink).
- ▶ One-way layout (general alternative (KW test), ordered alternatives), multiple comparison procedure.
- ▶ Two-way layout (complete block design (Friedman test)), multiple comparison procedure, median polish, Tukey additivity plot, profile plots.

Better bootstrap confidence intervals

# Overview

- ▶ We learned
  - ▶ Plug-in principal
  - ▶ Computing standard error of an estimate
  - ▶ Confidence intervals based on bootstrap percentiles
    - ▶ Coverage performance (need to do)
  - ▶ Hypothesis testing using bootstrap
    - ▶ Using bootstrap percentile confidence interval.
    - ▶ Using p-value.
  - ▶ Exhaustive bootstrap.
- ▶ What to cover
  - ▶ bootstrap-t interval
  - ▶ BCa interval and ABC interval.

# Problem

- ▶ Inference on one parameter.
- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \sim F_\theta(\cdot)$ , where  $\theta$  is an unknown parameter.
- ▶ Construct  $1 - 2\alpha$  confidence interval for  $\theta$ .



# Confidence interval

- Suppose

$$\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, \text{se}^2).$$

- Then,

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\text{se}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

- Thus,

$$\text{Prob}_{\theta} \left\{ \theta \in \left[ \hat{\theta} - z^{(1-\alpha)} \text{se}, \hat{\theta} - z^{(\alpha)} \text{se} \right] \right\} = 1 - 2\alpha,$$

where  $\text{Prob}_{\theta}\{\}$  is the probability calculated with the true mean equaling  $\theta$ , so  $\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, \text{se}^2)$ .

# Coverage of confidence interval

- ▶ In the above case,

$$\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, \text{se}^2),$$

the interval

$$\left[ \hat{\theta} - z^{(1-\alpha)} \text{se}, \hat{\theta} - z^{(\alpha)} \text{se} \right]$$

has probability exactly  $1 - 2\alpha$  of containing the true value of  $\theta$ .

- ▶  $\theta$  is a constant.
- ▶ Let  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{lo}} = \hat{\theta} - z^{(1-\alpha)} \text{se}$  and  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{up}} = \hat{\theta} - z^{(\alpha)} \text{se}$ . Then,  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{lo}}$  and  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{up}}$  are random variables.
- ▶ equal-tailed CI: If  $\text{Prob}_{\theta}\{\theta < \hat{\theta}_{\text{lo}}\} = \alpha$  and  $\text{Prob}_{\theta}\{\theta > \hat{\theta}_{\text{up}}\} = \alpha$ , then  $(\hat{\theta}_{\text{lo}}, \hat{\theta}_{\text{up}})$  is an equal-tailed.

# Relationship between confidence intervals and hypothesis tests

- ▶  $1 - 2\alpha$  confidence interval  $(\hat{\theta}_{\text{lo}}, \hat{\theta}_{\text{up}})$  is the set of plausible values of  $\theta$  having observed  $\hat{\theta}$ .
- ▶ Check whether the null value is in the interval.
  - ▶ If the null value of  $\theta$  is not in the interval, reject the null hypothesis.

# Standard confidence interval (procedure)

- ▶ In most cases,

$$\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{se}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

- ▶  $1 - 2\alpha$  standard confidence interval for  $\theta$  is

$$\hat{\theta} \pm z^{(1-\alpha)} \hat{se},$$

where  $z^\alpha$  is the  $100 \cdot \alpha$  percentile point of  $N(0, 1)$ .

```
## z~{.05}  
qnorm(.05)
```

```
## [1] -1.644854
```

```
## z~{.95}  
qnorm(.95)
```

```
## [1] 1.644854
```

## Standard confidence interval (Example)

- ▶ **ET** Table 2.1.
- ▶ 16 mice were randomly assigned to a treatment or a control group.
- ▶ Their survival time in days, following a surgery was recorded.
- ▶ Construct 90% confidence interval for the expectation  $\theta$  of the control group distribution.

```
Table2.1.ET = list(treatment = c(94, 197,  
  16, 38, 99, 141, 23),  
  control = c(52, 104, 146, 10,  
    51, 30, 40, 27, 46))
```

## Standard confidence interval (Example)

$1 - 2\alpha = .9$ . Thus,  $\alpha = .05$ .

```
x = Table2.1.ET$control
n = length(x)
theta.hat = round(mean(x), digits = 2)
theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 56.22
```

```
se.theta.hat = round(sd(x)/sqrt(n), digits = 2)
se.theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 14.16
```

```
##  $z^{1-.05}$ 
z = round(qnorm(.95), digits = 3)
z
```

```
## [1] 1.645
```

## Standard confidence interval (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for the expectation  $\theta$  of the control group distribution is

```
ci.standard = round(theta.hat + c(-1, 1)*z*se.theta.hat,  
  digits = 2); ci.standard
```

```
## [1] 32.93 79.51
```

- ▶ 90% of time, a random interval constructed in this way will contain the true value  $\theta$ .

## Standard confidence interval (Note)

- ▶  $\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{s}\hat{e}} \overset{\sim}{\sim} N(0, 1)$  is valid as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , but is approximation for finite samples.
- ▶ Thus, for the example with  $n = 9$ , actually the standard CI is an approximate CI.
  - ▶ The coverage probability is not exactly  $1 - 2\alpha$ .



## Student's t-interval (procedure)

- ▶ Improve upon the standard confidence interval.

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{\text{se}}} \sim t_{n-1},$$

where  $t_{n-1}$  is the Student's  $t$  distribution on  $n - 1$  degrees of freedom.

- ▶ Student's t-interval is

$$\left[ \hat{\theta} - t_{n-1}^{(1-\alpha)} \hat{\text{se}}, \quad \hat{\theta} - t_{n-1}^{(\alpha)} \hat{\text{se}} \right].$$

## Student's t-interval (Example)

```
## $t^{\{.05\}}$ 
```

```
qt(.05, df = 8)
```

```
## [1] -1.859548
```

```
## $t^{\{.95\}}$ 
```

```
qt(.95, df = 8)
```

```
## [1] 1.859548
```

## Student's t-interval (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for the expectation  $\theta$  of the control group distribution is

```
ci.student.t = round(theta.hat + c(qt(.05, df = 9),  
  qt(.95, df = (length(x)-1)))*se.theta.hat,  
  digits = 2)  
ci.student.t
```

```
## [1] 30.26 82.55
```

- ▶ Student's t-interval is wider than the standard interval

```
ci.standard
```

```
## [1] 32.93 79.51
```

## Student's t-interval (Note)

- ▶ Student's t-interval widening the interval to adjust for the fact that the standard error is unknown.

## Student's t-interval (Note)

- Increase  $n(\geq 20)$ , percentiles of  $t_n$  distribution don't differ much from the standard normal  $N(0, 1)$ .

```
##(t^{.05}, t^{.95})  
c(qt(.05, df = 50), qt(.95, df = 50))
```

```
## [1] -1.675905  1.675905
```

```
## (z^{.05}, z^{.95})  
c(qnorm(.05), qnorm(.95))
```

```
## [1] -1.644854  1.644854
```

## Student's $t$ -interval (Note)

- ▶ The use of the  $t$  distribution doesn't adjust the CI to account for skewness in the underlying population or other errors when  $\hat{\theta}$  is not the sample mean (for example, bias of an estimate).

# The bootstrap-t interval (overview)

- ▶ Adjust for the above errors.
- ▶ Construct CI without having

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{\text{se}}} \sim N(0, 1) \quad \text{or} \quad Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{\text{se}}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

- ▶ Estimate the distribution of  $Z$  directly from the data.

# The bootstrap- $t$ interval (procedure)

- ▶ The bootstrap- $t$  method

- ▶ Generate  $B$  bootstrap samples  $\mathbf{x}^{*1}, \mathbf{x}^{*2}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{*B}$ .

- ▶ For each compute

$$Z^*(b) = \frac{\hat{\theta}^* - \hat{\theta}}{\hat{\text{se}}^*(b)},$$

where

- ▶  $\hat{\theta}^*$  is the value of  $\hat{\theta}$  for the bootstrap sample  $\mathbf{x}^{*b}$

- ▶  $\hat{\text{se}}^*(b)$  is the estimated standard error of  $\hat{\theta}^*$ .

- ▶ Let  $k$  be the largest integer less than or equal to  $(B + 1)\alpha$ .

- ▶  $\hat{t}^{(1-\alpha)}$  - the empirical  $\alpha$  quantile is the  $k$ -th largest value of  $Z^*(b)$ .

- ▶  $\hat{t}^{(\alpha)}$  - the empirical  $1 - \alpha$  quantile is the  $(B + 1 - k)$ -th largest value of  $Z^*(b)$ .

- ▶ The bootstrap- $t$  confidence interval is

$$\left[ \hat{\theta} - \hat{t}^{(1-\alpha)} \hat{\text{se}}, \quad \hat{\theta} - \hat{t}^{(\alpha)} \hat{\text{se}} \right].$$



## The bootstrap-t interval (Example)

- ▶ 90% Bootstrap-t interval for the expectation  $\theta$  of the control group.
- ▶  $\alpha = .05$ .

```
B = 1000  
n = length(x)  
theta.hat = mean(x); theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 56.22222
```

```
se.theta.hat = sd(x)/sqrt(n); se.theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 14.1586
```

## The bootstrap-t interval (Example)

```
z.star = function(x){  
  n = length(x)  
  x.star = sample(x, size = n,  
    replace = TRUE)  
  theta.hat.star = mean(x.star)  
  se.theta.hat.star = sd(x.star)/sqrt(n)  
  z.star.b = (theta.hat.star -  
    theta.hat)/(se.theta.hat.star)  
  return(z.star.b)  
}  
z.star.B = replicate(B, z.star(x))
```

## The bootstrap-t interval (Example)

```
#k is the largest integer less than  
#or equal to (B+1) * alpha.  
alpha = .05  
k = ceiling((B+1)*alpha)  
t.hat.one.minus.alpha = sort(z.star.B,  
    decreasing = TRUE)[k]  
t1 = t.hat.one.minus.alpha; t1
```

```
## [1] 1.487483
```

```
k.u = B+1-k  
t.hat.alpha = sort(z.star.B,  
    decreasing = TRUE)[k.u]  
t2 = t.hat.alpha; t2
```

```
## [1] -4.213987
```

## The bootstrap-t interval (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for the expectation  $\theta$  of the control group distribution is

```
ci.bootstrap.t = round(theta.hat -  
  c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat, digits = 2)  
ci.bootstrap.t
```

```
## [1] 35.16 115.89
```

- ▶ The lower end point is close to the standard interval,

```
ci.standard
```

```
## [1] 32.93 79.51
```

- but upper end point is much greater (reflect the two very

## The bootstrap- $t$ interval (Note)

- ▶ For large samples, the coverage of the bootstrap- $t$  interval tends to be closer to the desired interval than the coverage of the standard and Student- $t$  intervals.
- ▶ The bootstrap- $t$  table applies only to the given sample.
- ▶ Standard and Student- $t$  distributions are symmetric about zero, thus, the CIs are symmetric about  $\hat{\theta}$ .
- ▶ The bootstrap- $t$  percentiles can be asymmetric about 0, so CI can be longer on the left or right.
  - ▶ This property improves the coverage of the bootstrap- $t$  CI.

# Pivotal statistic

- ▶ If

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{\text{se}}}$$

is called an approximate pivot.

- ▶ The distribution of  $Z$  is approximately the same for each value of  $\theta$ .
- ▶ If  $Z$  is a pivotal statistic, then the distribution of  $Z$  does not depend on any unknown parameters.

# The bootstrap-t interval (Note)

- ▶ Bootstrap- $t$  particularly applicable to location statistics (sample mean, median, trimmed mean, sample percentile)
  - ▶ location statistic: increasing data value  $x_i$  by a constant  $c$  increases the statistic by  $c$ .
- ▶ Bootstrap- $t$  may not have the correct coverage with its simple form.
  - ▶ For example, CI for correlation coefficient.
- ▶ We require computing  $\hat{se}^*(b)$  using bootstrap or jackknife for which there is no simple standard error formula.
  - ▶ For the example, where  $\hat{\theta}$  is the sample mean, we use the plug-in estimate of  $\hat{se}^*(b)$  for each bootstrap sample  $\mathbf{x}^{*b}$ .

## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

- ▶ Use bootstrap estimate of standard error for each bootstrap sample (two nested levels of bootstrap sampling).
  - ▶ Let's choose  $B = 25$  to estimate standard error.



## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

```
library(magrittr)
B = 1000; B2 = 25
n = length(x); theta.hat = mean(x)
#se.theta.hat = sd(x)/sqrt(n)
bootstrap.results = lapply(as.list(1:B), function(b){
  x.star = sample(x, size = n, replace = TRUE)
  theta.hat.star = mean(x.star)
  theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(as.list(1:B2),
    function(bb){
      x.star.star = sample(x.star,
        size = n, replace = TRUE)
      theta.hat.star.star = mean(x.star.star)
      return(theta.hat.star.star)
    }) %>% unlist
  return(list(theta.hat.star, theta.hat.star.star.B2))
})
```

## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

$\hat{\theta}^{*b}, b = 1, 2, \dots, 1000$  and compute  $\hat{se}(\hat{\theta})$ .

```
theta.hat.star = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 1) %>% unlist  
se.theta.hat = sd(theta.hat.star)  
se.theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 13.58795
```

## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

- For each  $b = 1, 2, \dots, 1000$ , compute  $\hat{s}^*(b)$  using  $\hat{\theta}^{**b2}$ ,  $b2 = 1, 2, \dots, 25$ .

```
theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 2)  
se.theta.hat.star = lapply(theta.hat.star.star.B2,  
  sd) %>% unlist  
z.star.B = (theta.hat.star  
  - theta.hat)/se.theta.hat.star
```

## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

```
alpha = .05
k = ceiling((B+1)*alpha)
t.hat.one.minus.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k]
t1 = t.hat.one.minus.alpha; t1
```

```
## [1] 1.5098
```

```
k.u = B+1-k
t.hat.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k.u]
t2 = t.hat.alpha; t2
```

```
## [1] -4.846767
```

## Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for  $\theta$  using nested bootstrap

```
ci.bootstrap.t.nested = round(theta.hat -  
  c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
  digits = 2)  
ci.bootstrap.t.nested
```

```
## [1] 35.71 122.08
```

- ▶ Similar to bootstrap- $t$

```
ci.bootstrap.t
```

```
## [1] 35.16 115.89
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (overview)

- ▶ Use transformation to overcome issues in bootstrap-t interval in small-sample, nonparametric setting.
- ▶ Example of Law school data.
  - ▶ Parameter of interest is on correlation coefficient  $\theta$  of LSAT and GPA.

```
library(bootstrap)
data(law)
t(law)
```

```
##           1         2         3         4         5         6         7         8
## LSAT 576.00 635.0 558.00 578.00 666.00 580.00 555 661.00
## GPA   3.39   3.3   2.81   3.03   3.44   3.07   3   3.43
##           11        12        13        14        15
## LSAT 653.00 575.00 545.00 572.00 594.00
## GPA   3.12   2.74   2.76   2.88   2.96
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ Construct CI for  $\theta$  without any transformation.
- ▶ Use two nested levels bootstrap.

```
B = 1000
B2 = 25
n = dim(law)[1]
theta.hat = cor(law$LSAT, law$GPA)
theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 0.7763745
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

```
bootstrap.results = lapply(as.list(1:B), function(b){  
  x = law  
  x.star = x[sample(1:n, size = n,  
    replace = TRUE),]  
  theta.hat.star = cor(x.star$LSAT,  
    x.star$GPA)  
  theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(as.list(1:B2),  
    function(bb){  
      x.star.star = x.star[sample(1:n, size = n,  
        replace = TRUE),]  
      theta.hat.star.star = cor(x.star.star$LSAT,  
        x.star.star$GPA)  
      return(theta.hat.star.star)  
    }) %>% unlist  
  return(list(theta.hat.star,  
    theta.hat.star.star.B2))  
})
```



# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation

```
theta.hat.star = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 1) %>% unlist  
se.theta.hat = sd(theta.hat.star)  
se.theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 0.1313166
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation

```
theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 2)  
se.theta.hat.star = lapply(theta.hat.star.star.B2,  
  sd) %>% unlist  
z.star.B = (theta.hat.star -  
  theta.hat)/se.theta.hat.star
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation
- ▶ 90% confidence interval for  $\theta$  (correlation coefficient)

```
alpha = .05  
k = ceiling((B+1)*alpha)  
t.hat.one.minus.alpha = sort(z.star.B,  
    decreasing = TRUE)[k]  
t1 = t.hat.one.minus.alpha; t1
```

```
## [1] 5.92029
```

```
k.u = B+1-k  
t.hat.alpha = sort(z.star.B,  
    decreasing = TRUE)[k.u]  
t2 = t.hat.alpha; t2
```

```
## [1] -1.312781
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation

```
corr.ci.boot.t.no.tran.90 = round(theta.hat -  
    c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
    digits = 2)  
corr.ci.boot.t.no.tran.90
```

```
## [1] 0.00 0.95
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation
- ▶ 98% confidence interval for  $\theta$  (correlation coefficient)

```
alpha = .01
k = ceiling((B+1)*alpha)
t.hat.one.minus.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k]
t1 = t.hat.one.minus.alpha; t1
```

```
## [1] 16.9732
```

```
k.u = B+1-k
t.hat.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k.u]
t2 = t.hat.alpha; t2
```

```
## [1] -1.90492
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation

```
corr.ci.boot.t.no.tran.98 = round(theta.hat -  
    c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
    digits = 2)  
corr.ci.boot.t.no.tran.98
```

```
## [1] -1.45  1.03
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t

- ▶ **Untransformed bootstrap- $t$**  procedure may lead intervals which are often too wide and fall outside of allowable range for a parameter.

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ Let

$$\phi = .5\log\left(\frac{1+\theta}{1-\theta}\right).$$

- ▶ Construct CI for  $\phi$ .
- ▶ Transform the endpoints back with the inverse transformation

$$\frac{e^{2\phi} - 1}{e^{2\phi} + 1}$$

to obtain better interval for  $\theta$ .

```
phi = function(cor.coeff){  
  .5*(log(1 + cor.coeff) - log(1 - cor.coeff))  
}
```



# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- Confidence interval for  $\phi$ .

```
B = 1000
B2 = 25
n = dim(law)[1]
theta.hat = phi(cor(law$LSAT, law$GPA))
theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 1.036178
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- Confidence interval for  $\phi$ .

```
bootstrap.results = lapply(as.list(1:B), function(b){
  x = law
  x.star = x[sample(1:n, size = n,
    replace = TRUE),]
  theta.hat.star = phi(cor(x.star$LSAT,
    x.star$GPA))
  theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(as.list(1:B2),
    function(bb){
      x.star.star = x.star[sample(1:n, size = n,
        replace = TRUE),]
      theta.hat.star.star = phi(cor(x.star.star$LSAT, x.star.star$GPA))
      return(theta.hat.star.star)
    }) %>% unlist
  return(list(theta.hat.star,
    theta.hat.star.star.B2))
})
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- Confidence interval for  $\phi$ .

```
theta.hat.star = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 1) %>% unlist  
se.theta.hat = sd(theta.hat.star)  
se.theta.hat
```

```
## [1] 0.3764645
```

```
theta.hat.star.star.B2 = lapply(bootstrap.results,  
  '[[', 2)  
se.theta.hat.star = lapply(theta.hat.star.star.B2,  
  sd) %>% unlist  
z.star.B = (theta.hat.star -  
  theta.hat)/se.theta.hat.star
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for  $\phi$

```
alpha = .05
k = ceiling((B+1)*alpha)
t.hat.one.minus.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k]
t1 = t.hat.one.minus.alpha; t1
```

```
## [1] 2.377449
```

```
k.u = B+1-k
t.hat.alpha = sort(z.star.B,
    decreasing = TRUE)[k.u]
t2 = t.hat.alpha; t2
```

```
## [1] -1.565993
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for  $\phi$

```
ci.phi.bootstrap.t = round(theta.hat -  
    c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
    digits = 2)  
ci.phi.bootstrap.t
```

```
## [1] 0.14 1.63
```

## Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for  $\theta$  (correlation coefficient)

```
l.phi = round(theta.hat -  
              c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
              digits = 2)[1]  
u.phi = round(theta.hat -  
              c(t1, t2)*se.theta.hat,  
              digits = 2)[2]  
corr.ci.boot.t.tran.90 = round(c((exp(2*l.phi)-1)/(exp(2*l.  
              (exp(2*u.phi)-1)/(exp(2*u.phi)+1))), digits = 2)  
corr.ci.boot.t.tran.90  
  
## [1] 0.14 0.93
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Note)

- ▶ bootstrap- $t$  depends on the scale - some scales better than others.



$$\phi = .5\log\left(\frac{1+\theta}{1-\theta}\right)$$

is appropriate when  $(X, Y)$  are bivariate normal.

- ▶ What transformation to use?
  - ▶ Use bootstrap to estimate the appropriate transformation.
  - ▶ We need to variance stabilize the estimate  $\hat{\theta}$ .
    - ▶ Make variance of  $\hat{\theta}$  is approximately constant.

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Choosing the transformation)

- ▶  $X$  is a random variable with mean  $\theta$  and standard deviation  $s(\theta)$ .
- ▶ Find a transformation  $g$  such that

$$g'(x) = \int^x \frac{1}{s(u)} du.$$

- ▶ Then, variance of  $g(X)$  is constant.
- ▶  $s(u)$  is unknown, but we can write  $s(u) = \text{se}(\hat{\theta}|\theta = u)$ .
  - ▶ Use bootstrap to estimate  $\text{se}(\hat{\theta}|\theta = u)$ .

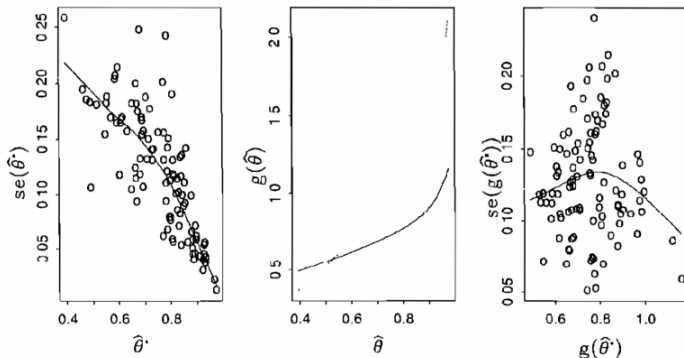


# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Choosing the transformation)

- ▶ Generate  $B = 100$  of  $x^{*b}$ , compute  $\hat{\theta}^*(b)$ .
  - ▶ Sample from  $x^{*b}$ :  $R = 25$  bootstrap samples of  $x^{**r}$ .
  - ▶ Compute  $\hat{\theta}^{**}(r)$  and  $\widehat{\text{se}}(\hat{\theta}^*(b))$ .

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Choosing the transformation)

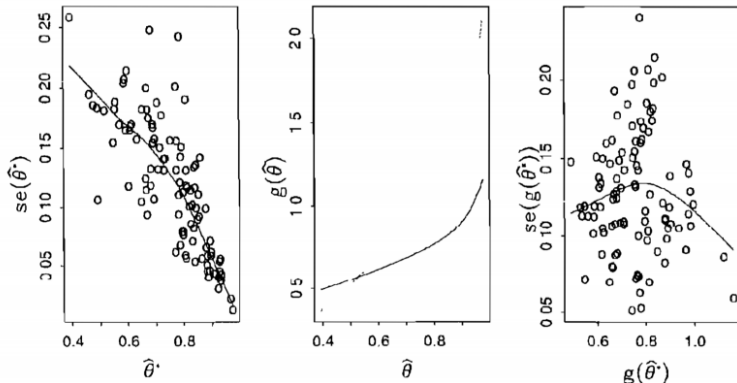
- Fit a curve to the points  $\left[ \hat{\theta}^*(b), \hat{s}e(\hat{\theta}^*(b)) \right]$ .



Source: Efron and Tibshirani (1994)

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Choosing the transformation)

- ▶ Estimate the variance stabilizing transformation  $g(\hat{\theta})$  - use numerical integration.



Source: Efron and Tibshirani (1994)

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (procedure)

- ▶ Use  $B = 1000$  bootstrap samples to construct CI for  $\phi = g(\theta)$ 
  - ▶ set the denominator in  $\frac{g(\hat{\theta}^*) - g(\hat{\theta})}{\hat{se}^*}$  to 1.

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ Law school data.
- ▶ CI for correlation coefficient  $\theta$  between LSAT and GPA.

```
xdata = law %>% as.matrix
n = dim(xdata)[1]
theta = function(x, xdata){
  cor(xdata[x,1], xdata[x,2])
}
results = boott(1:n,theta, xdata,
  VS = TRUE, perc = c(.01, .05, .95, .99))
```

# Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

## ► 90% CI

```
round(c(results$confpoints[2],  
        results$confpoints[3]), digits = 2)
```

```
## [1] 0.17 0.90
```

## ► 98% CI

```
round(c(results$confpoints[1],  
        results$confpoints[4]), digits = 2)
```

```
## [1] 0.06 0.93
```

- bootstrap- $t$  intervals with transformation are shorter than those without transformation.
- CIs are within the permissible values.
- No need to do nested bootstrap sampling.
- Next, we will work directly with the bootstrap distribution of  $\hat{\theta}$  and derive a transformation-respecting confidence interval

# Bias-corrected and accelerated bootstrap - BCa (Overview)

- ▶ BCa interval endpoints are also given by percentile distribution after correction for bias and skewness.
- ▶ Recall: percentile method
  - ▶ Bootstrap replicates  $\hat{\theta}^*(1), \hat{\theta}^*(2), \dots, \hat{\theta}^*(B)$ .
  - ▶ The percentile interval

$$\left( \hat{\theta}_{lo}, \hat{\theta}_{up} \right) = \left( \hat{\theta}^{(\alpha)}, \hat{\theta}^{(1-\alpha)} \right),$$

where  $\hat{\theta}^{(\alpha)}$  is the  $100 \cdot \alpha$ th percentile of  $B$  bootstrap replicates.

# BCa bootstrap procedure

- ▶ Assume that there is a monotone increasing transformation  $g$  such that

$$\phi = g(\theta) \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\phi} = g(\hat{\theta}).$$

- ▶ The BCa bootstrap bootstrap is based on the following model

$$\frac{\hat{\phi} - \phi}{\sigma_{\phi}} \sim N(-z_0, 1) \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma_{\phi} = 1 + a\phi.$$

- ▶ This is a generalization of the usual normal approximation

$$\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\text{se}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

- ▶ generalization: transformation  $g(\cdot)$ , the bias correction  $z_0$ , and the acceleration  $a$ .



# BCa bootstrap procedure

- ▶ The BCa interval of intended coverage  $1 - 2\alpha$ , is given by

$$\left(\hat{\theta}_{lo}, \hat{\theta}_{up}\right) = \left(\hat{\theta}^{*(\alpha_1)}, \hat{\theta}^{*(\alpha_2)}\right),$$

$$\alpha_1 = \Phi \left( \hat{z}_0 + \frac{\hat{z}_0 + z^\alpha}{1 - \hat{a}(\hat{z}_0 + z^\alpha)} \right)$$

$$\alpha_2 = \Phi \left( \hat{z}_0 + \frac{\hat{z}_0 + z^{1-\alpha}}{1 - \hat{a}(\hat{z}_0 + z^{1-\alpha})} \right)$$

# BCa bootstrap procedure

- ▶ and  $\Phi(\cdot)$  is the standard normal cumulative distribution function
- ▶  $z^\alpha$  -  $100\alpha$ th percentile point of  $N(0, 1)$ .
- ▶  $\hat{z}_0 = \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{\#\{\hat{\theta}^*(b) < \hat{\theta}\}}{B} \right)$ ,
  - ▶ where  $\Phi^{-1}$  is the inverse function of the  $N(0, 1)$ .
- ▶  $\hat{a} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_{(i)})^3}{6 \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_{(i)})^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$ .
  - ▶ Compute the estimate by deleting  $i$ -th observation,  $\hat{\theta}_{(i)}$ .
  - ▶  $\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\theta}_{(i)}}{n}$ .

## BCa bootstrap (Example)

- ▶ 90% CI for correlation between LSAT and GPA (law school data)

```
library(bootstrap)
xdata = law %>% as.matrix()
n = dim(xdata)[1]
theta = function(x, xdata){
  cor(xdata[x,1], xdata[x,2])
}
results = bcanon(1:n, 100, theta, xdata)
corr.ci.bca.90 = c(results$confpoints[2,2],
  results$confpoints[7,2]);
corr.ci.bca.90
```

```
## bca point bca point
## 0.3263436 0.9166239
```

## Comparison of bootstrap intervals (Example)

```
corr.ci.boot.t.no.tran.90
```

```
## [1] 0.00 0.95
```

```
corr.ci.boot.t.tran.90
```

```
## [1] 0.14 0.93
```

```
round(corr.ci.bca.90, digits = 2)
```

```
## bca point bca point
```

```
##      0.33      0.92
```

## BCa bootstrap(Note)

- ▶ The bootstrap-t method is second-order accurate, but not transformation respecting.
- ▶ The percentile method is transformation respecting but not second-order accurate.
- ▶ BCa is second-order accurate and transformation respecting.
- ▶ We can reduce the computation cost for BCa for **smooth estimates**.

# The ABC method (Overview)

- ▶ The approximate bootstrap confidence intervals
- ▶ Approximating the BCa interval endpoints analytically - no need Monte Carlo replications.

## The ABC method (Example)

- ▶ 90% CI for correlation between LSAT and GPA (law school data)

```
x = law %>% as.matrix()
theta = function(p, x){
  x1m = sum(p*x[, 1])/sum(p)
  x2m = sum(p*x[, 2])/sum(p)
  numerator = sum(p*(x[, 1] - x1m)*(x[, 2] - x2m))
  denominator = sqrt(sum(p*(x[, 1] - x1m)^2)*sum(p*(x[, 2] - x2m)^2))
  return(numerator/denominator)
}

results = abcnon(x, theta)
round(c(results$limits[2,2], results$limits[7,2]), 2)

## abc abc
## 0.44 0.92
```

## References for this lecture

*ET* Chapter 12.