

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 θ is an unknown parameter.
- ▶ Construct $1 - 2\alpha$ confidence interval for θ .

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 θ , 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 θ .

- ▶ θ 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 θ having observed $\hat{\theta}$.
- ▶ Check whether the null value is in the interval.
 - ▶ If the null value of θ is not in the interval, reject the null hypothesis.

Standard confidence interval (procedure)

- ▶ In most cases,

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

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

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

where z^α 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 θ 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 θ 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 θ .

Standard confidence interval (Note)

- ▶ $\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\hat{s}\hat{e}} \dot{\sim} N(0, 1)$ 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 θ 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

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

- ▶ 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 α 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 θ 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] 1.468585
```

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

```
## [1] -4.267706
```

The bootstrap-t interval (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for the expectation θ of the control group distribution is

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

```
## [1] 35.43 116.65
```

- ▶ 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 θ .
- ▶ 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] 13.24959
```

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] 1.555962
```

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

```
## [1] -4.386964
```

Nested levels of bootstrap sampling (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for θ using nested bootstrap

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

```
## [1] 35.61 114.35
```

- ▶ Similar to bootstrap- t

```
ci.bootstrap.t
```

```
## [1] 35.43 116.65
```

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 θ 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 θ 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] 0.1362079
```

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 θ (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] 5.122292
```

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

```
## [1] -1.336643
```

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] 0.08 0.96
```

Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ without any transformation
- ▶ 98% confidence interval for θ (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] 12.31386
```

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

```
## [1] -2.189701
```

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] -0.90  1.07
```

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 ϕ .
- ▶ Transform the endpoints back with the inverse transformation

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

to obtain better interval for θ .

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


Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- Confidence interval for ϕ .

```
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 ϕ .

```
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 ϕ .

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

```
## [1] 0.3723111
```

```
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 ϕ

```
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] 2.136466
```

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

```
## [1] -1.642458
```

Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for ϕ

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

```
## [1] 0.24 1.65
```

Transformation and bootstrap-t (Example)

- ▶ 90% confidence interval for θ (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] 0.24 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 θ and standard deviation $s(\theta)$.
- ▶ Find a transformation g such that

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

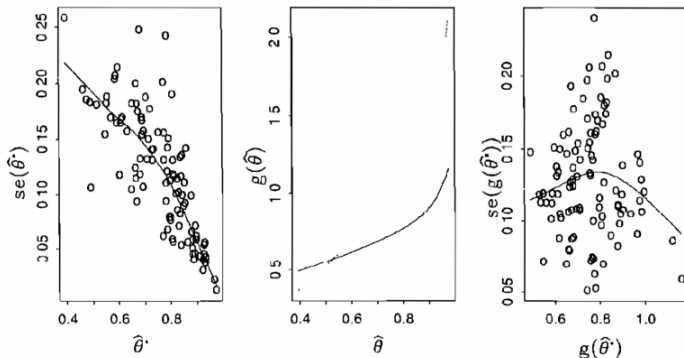
- ▶ Then, variance of $g(X)$ is constant.
- ▶ $s(u)$ is unknown, but we can write $s(u) = \text{se}(\hat{\theta}|\theta = u)$.
 - ▶ Use bootstrap to estimate $\text{se}(\hat{\theta}|\theta = u)$.

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)

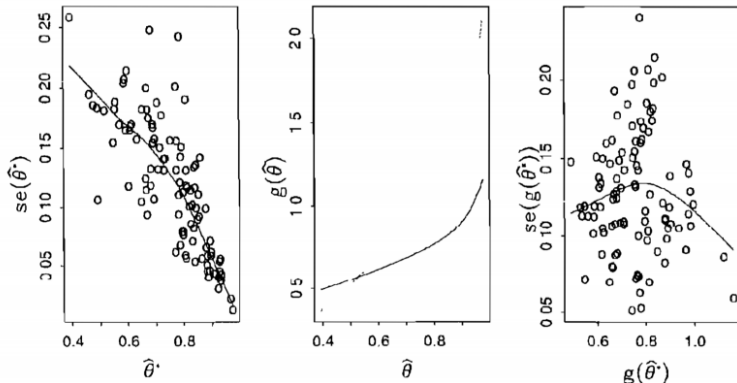
- Fit a curve to the points $\left[\hat{\theta}^*(b), \hat{s}e\left(\hat{\theta}^*(b)\right) \right]$.



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 θ 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] 0.3 0.9
```

► 98% CI

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

```
## [1] 0.10 0.96
```

- 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^α - 100α th percentile point of $N(0, 1)$.
- ▶ $\hat{z}_0 = \Phi^{-1} \left(\frac{\#\{\hat{\theta}^*(b) < \hat{\theta}\}}{B} \right)$,
 - ▶ where Φ^{-1} is the inverse function of the $N(0, 1)$.
- ▶ $\hat{a} = \frac{\sigma_{i=1}^n \left(\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_{(i)} \right)^3}{6 \left\{ \sigma_{i=1}^n \left(\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_{(i)} \right)^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$.
 - ▶ 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
## 0.4096908 0.9176347
```

Comparison of bootstrap intervals (Example)

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

```
## [1] 0.08 0.96
```

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

```
## [1] 0.24 0.93
```

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

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

```
##      0.41      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.