

Bootstrapping estimators from balance sheet data

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Background

Problems of traditional methods (1)

The two traditional inference methods are **exact statistics** and **asymptotic theory**.

Problems of traditional methods (2)

Pro:

- ▶ Useful for understanding the underlying concepts and theories
- ▶ Working well having a lot of data points

Con:

- ▶ Exact statistics assume a lot of unrealistic and highly restrictive conditions such as homoscedasticity.
- ▶ Asymptotic theory may approximate estimators with uncertain accuracy.
- ▶ Sometimes not applicable if having a small sample size of data

Bootstrapping (1)

A technique developed by Bradley Efron in 1979.

- ▶ Sampling with replacement from given a sample size of $n \rightarrow$ new samples are generated
- ▶ $P(\text{an observation in bootstrap sample}) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow 1 - e^{-1} \approx 0.632$
- ▶ Usually 10000 resampling number is enough

The result is bootstrap sampling distribution of statistic of interest.

Bootstrapping (2)

Advantages:

- ▶ Easy to derive statistics of our interest and confidence intervals.
- ▶ Not much assumption is needed
- ▶ Avoid the cost of repeating the experiment to obtain other groups of sample data

Disadvantages:

- ▶ The result strongly depends on the quality of sample
- ▶ It used to be time-consuming and computationally expensive.

Algorithm 1: Classic Bootstrap Algorithm for estimating a parameter

Input : $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ – a size n original samples

Output: $\hat{\theta}^* = (\theta_1^*, \dots, \theta_n^*)$ – bootstrapped values

Init: B – num of bootstrap repetitions

$r := 1$

$L_{est} := []$ – an (empty) array of parameter estimate ;

T – A function of a statistic ;

while $r < B + 1$ **do**

$S_k :=$ sampling a size n from S by *sampling with replacement*;

$\hat{\theta}_r^* := T(S_k)$;

$L_{est}[r] := \hat{\theta}_r^*$;

$r = r + 1$

end

Application on balance sheet data

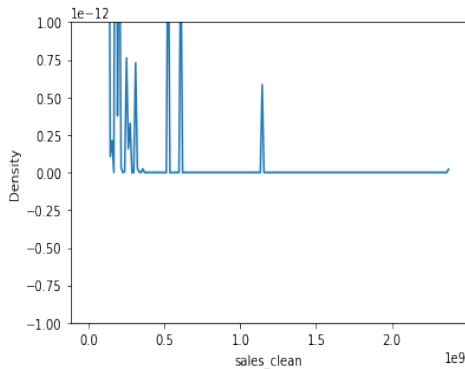
Data exploration – Before data transformation (1)

	sales_clean	tanass_clean	tax
Mean	314854.888	135862.025	1969.049
Std	8137357.078	11129327.382	118160.019
Min	0.537	0	0
25%	4642	70	18
Median	18034.500	1695	114
75%	70810.250	13675.250	576
max	2371623338	6094569000	63639000
<i>RSD</i>	<i>25.845</i>	<i>81.916</i>	<i>60.009</i>

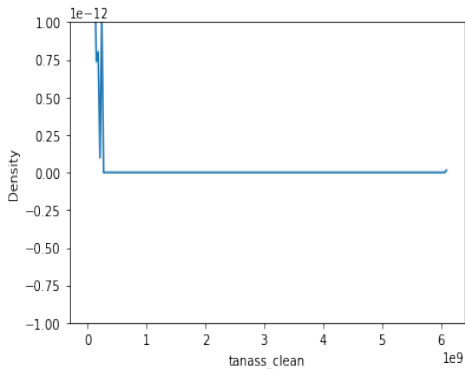
Data exploration – After data transformation (1)

	sales_clean	tanass_clean	tax
Mean	0	0	0
Std	1	1	1
Min	-3.799	-1.492	-1.846
25%	-0.604	-0.643	-0.694
Median	-0.003	0.124	0.037
75%	0.622	0.703	0.710
max	6.070	6.158	6.082

Data exploration – Before data transformation (2)

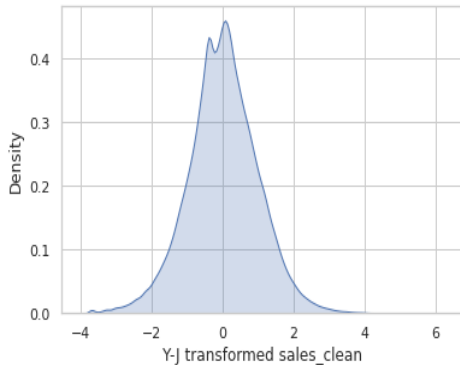


(a) sales_clean

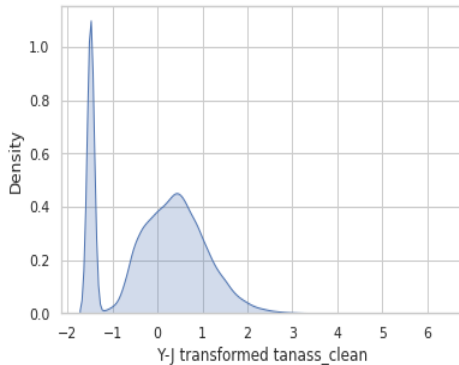


(b) tanass_clean

Data exploration – After data transformation (2)



(a) Y-J sales_clean



(b) Y-J tanass_clean

Data exploration – Yeo-Johnson data transformation

$$\psi^{\mathbf{YJ}}(\lambda, x_i) = \begin{cases} ((x_i + 1)^\lambda - 1)/\lambda & \text{if } \lambda \neq 0, x_i \geq 0, \\ \log(x_i + 1) & \text{if } \lambda = 0, x_i \geq 0, \\ -[(-x_i + 1)^{2-\lambda} - 1]/(2 - \lambda) & \text{if } \lambda \neq 2, x_i < 0, \\ -\log(-x_i + 1) & \text{if } \lambda = 2, x_i < 0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where x_i is the data point in our data set for all i , and λ is the parameter approximated by the *Maximum Likelihood Estimation*.

Sampling distributions of bootstrapped statistics (1)

- ▶ *xbar_sales*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of sales mean
- ▶ *std_sales*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of sales standard deviation
- ▶ *median_sales*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of sales median
- ▶ *corr_sales_tanass*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of corr. bw. sales and tanass
- ▶ *corr_sales_tax*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of corr. bw. sales and tax
- ▶ *corr_tanass_tax*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of corr. bw tanass and tax
- ▶ *ols_tanass*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of tanass parameter in OLS
- ▶ *ols_tax*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of tax parameter in OLS
- ▶ *ols_r2*: bootstrapped sampling distribution of r-squared in OLS

Sampling distributions of bootstrapped statistics (2)

The plot of:

- ▶ *xbar_sales*
- ▶ *std_sales*
- ▶ *ols_r2*

Bootstrapped OLS parameters (1)

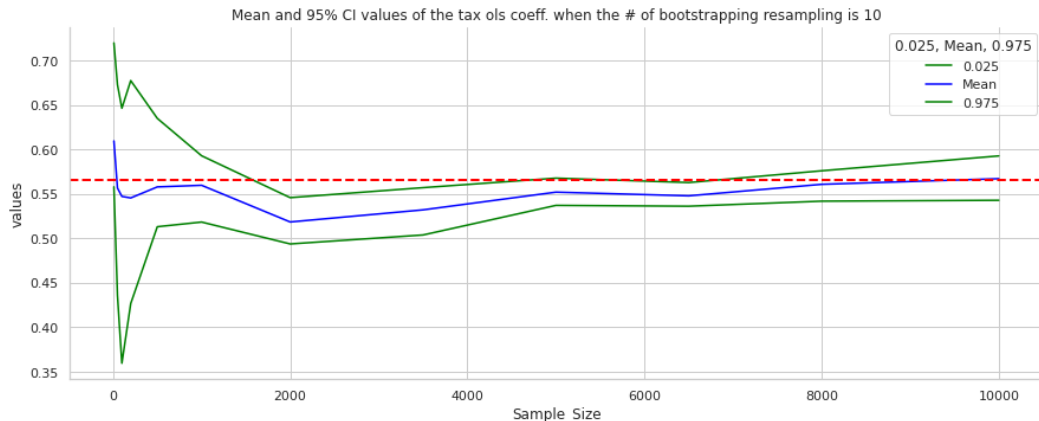


Figure: Mean and 95% CI of Bootstrapped tax OLS when the # of bootstrap resampling is 10

Bootstrapped OLS parameters (2)

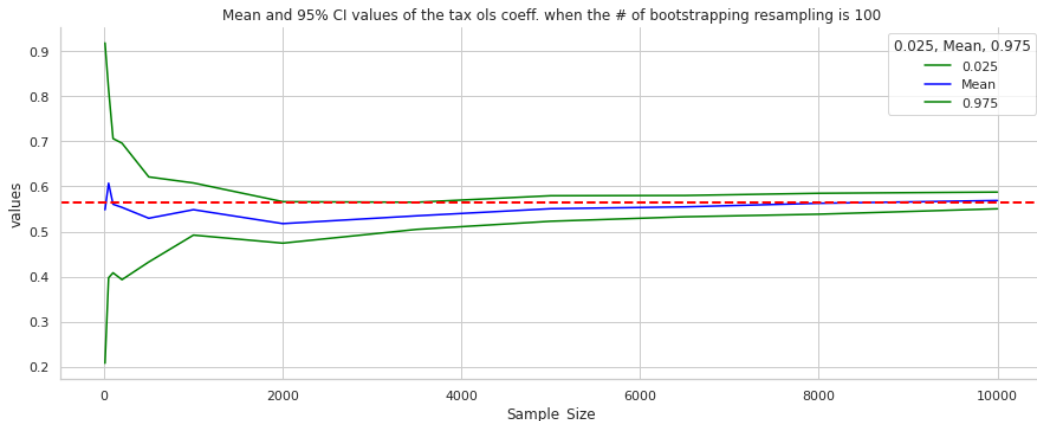


Figure: Mean and 95% CI of Bootstrapped tax OLS when the # of bootstrap resampling is 100

Bootstrapped OLS parameters (3)

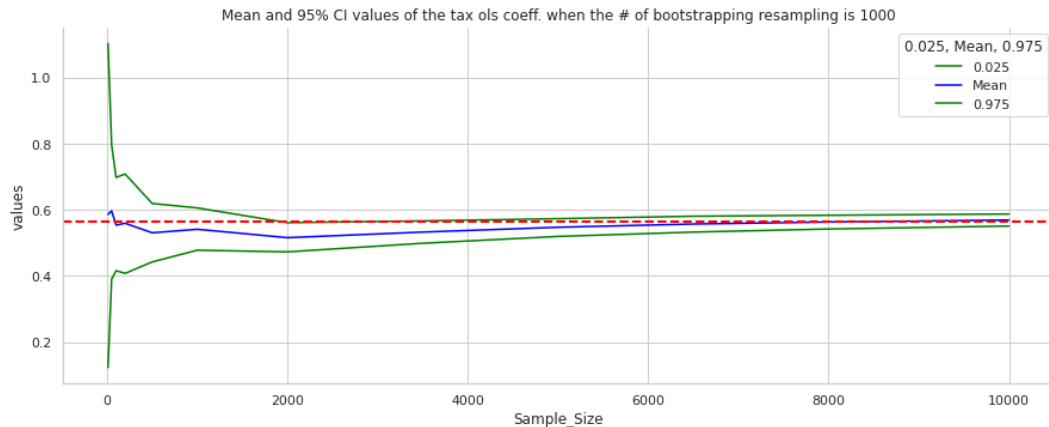


Figure: Mean and 95% CI of Bootstrapped tax OLS when the # of bootstrap resampling is 1000

Bootstrapped OLS parameters (4)

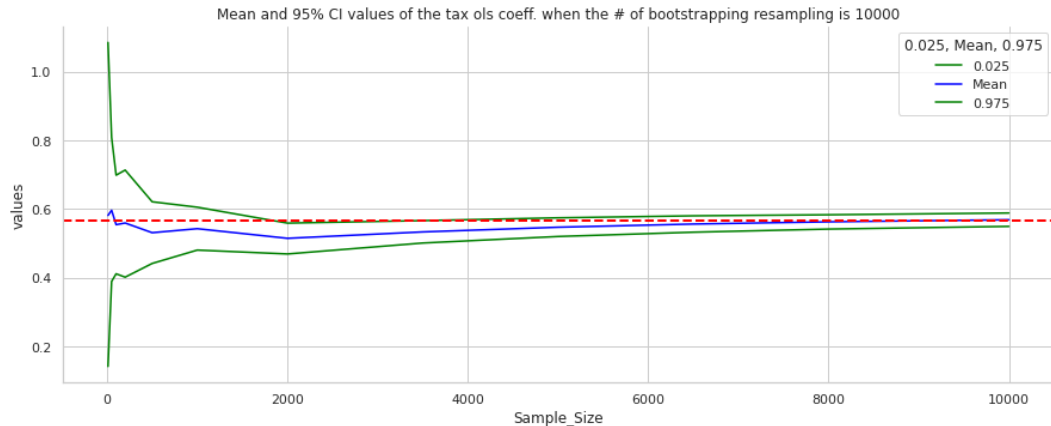
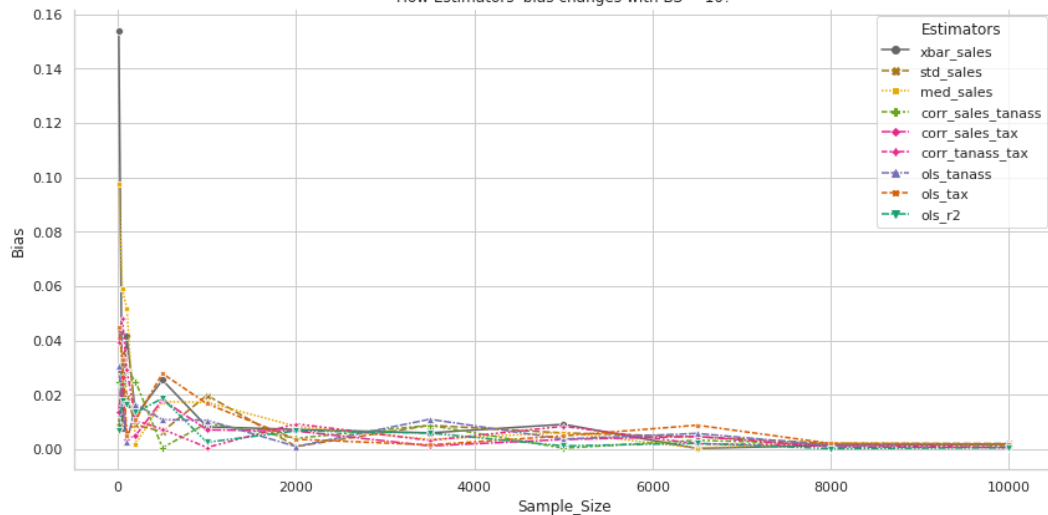


Figure: Mean and 95% CI of Bootstrapped tax OLS when the # of bootstrap resampling is 10000

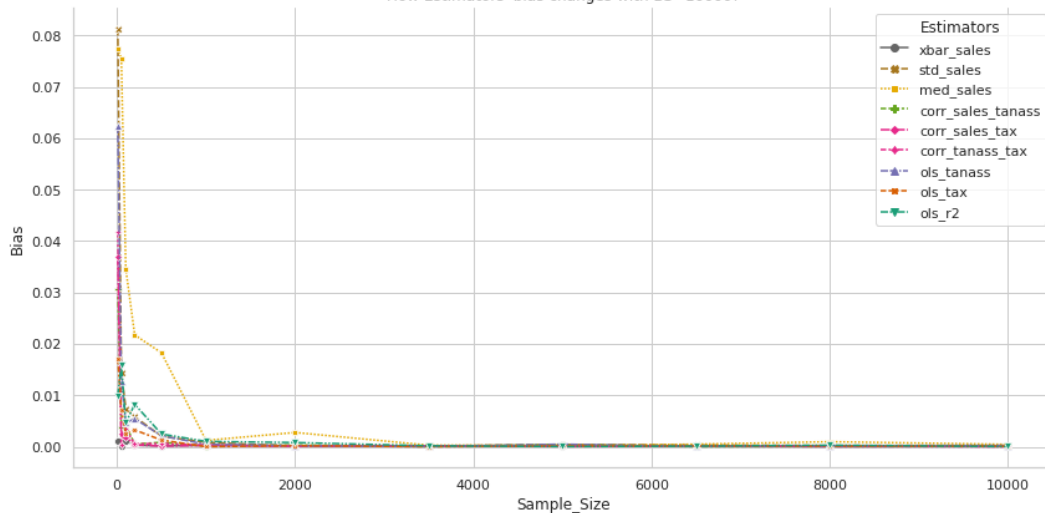
Bias of the bootstrapped estimators (1)

How Estimators' bias changes with BS = 10?



Bias of the bootstrapped estimators (2)

How Estimators' bias changes with BS=10000?








Source code





The Python source code for this project can be found [here](#).

Thank you very much for your attention!

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