Day 05 - Exercise 01 - Inference and Predictions

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Preamble

The exercises here are taken from the inferences-vs-predictions.R file in the scripts/day_05 directory. In order to be able to run the code in here, you need to run the following:

```
## Installing packages
install.packages('caret')
install.packages('fGarch')
install.packages('boot')

## Loading packages
library('caret')
library('fGarch')
library('boot')
```

These packages are needed in order to run some of the commands.

We can now **load** the necessary libraries:

Model assumptions

Exercise 01

Redo the simulations above. Instead of heteroscedastic errors, let the errors have a skewed normal distribution (use 'fGarch::rsnorm').

Exercise 02

Redo the simulations above. Instead of heteroscedastic errors, let the errors have a normal distribution. But, assume that 'y' is also related to a second factor 'z' that is negatively correlated with 'x', and that 'z' is unmeasured (can't be used for inference/prediction). 'z' is an unmeasured confounder.

Bootstrap

Exercise 03

Rerun the simulations above under the unmeasured confounding scenario (question 2 in the modeling assumptions lab). Does the bootstrap interval have better coverage than the Wald interval?

Sample bias

Exercise 04

Redo the simulation above. Does the bootstrap interval have better actual coverage than the Wald interval under sample bias?