# Bootstrap for mortality projections on dependent data

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#### **AGENDA**

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#### **Motivation**

Because of the nonlinear nature of the quantities of interest, such as life expectancy, annuity premiums and so on, an analytic approach to the calculation of prediction intervals is intractable, so that it is necessary to resort to a *simulation* approach.

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The presence of *dependence* across time leads to systematic over-estimation or underestimation of uncertainty in the mortality estimates, caused by whether negative or positive dependence dominates.

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The correlation structure between the residuals has to be tackled. Otherwise prediction intervals for projections underestimate the actual longevity risk.

In other words, it is necessary to assess a significant and further source of risk: a sort of *dependency risk*.

#### The Lee Carter model

Lee and Carter (1992) suggested a log-bilinear form for the force of mortality:

$$m_{xt} = \exp(\alpha_x + \beta_x k_t + u_{xt})$$

$$\ln(m_{xt}) = \alpha_x + \beta_x k_t + u_{xt}$$

$$\sum_{t} k_{t} = 0 \qquad \qquad \sum_{x} \beta_{x} = 1$$

In the literature, there is more than one **bootstrap** method for **dependent data** as for example block, local, wild, Markov bootstrap, sub-sampling and **sieve**.

Choi and Hall (2000) show that the sieve bootstrap has substantial advantages over blocking methods, to such an extent that block—based methods are not really competitive. In particular, other authors show that the sieve bootstrap outperforms the block bootstrap (Hardle et al. 2003).

#### Notation:

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u_{xt} error term \mathcal{E}_{xt} innovation term r_{xt} estimated innovation or residual \overline{r}_{xt} mean value of the residuals r_{xt} - \overline{r}_{xt} centred residuals \hat{F}_{r} ecdf of residuals u_{xt}^* bootstrap error \mathcal{E}_{xt}^* IID term from \hat{F}_{r}
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#### The Scheme:

The error term is approximated by an  $AR(\infty)$  representation:

$$u_{xt} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j u_{xt-j} + \varepsilon_{xt}$$
  $x = 1, 2, ..., m$ 

The Steps:

1. Fit the model and obtain the OLS estimates:

$$\hat{u}_{xt} = \sum_{j=1}^{\hat{p}(n)} \varphi_j \hat{u}_{xt-j} + \varepsilon_{xt}$$
  $x = 1, 2, ..., m$ 

#### The Steps:

2. Specify the lag length  $\hat{p}(n)$  by BIC, AIC, etc

The Steps:

3. <u>Calculate the autoregressive coefficients</u> by the Ordinary Least Squares or by using the Yule-Walker method

$$\hat{\phi}_j$$
,  $j=1,...,\hat{p}(n)$ 

#### The Steps:

4. <u>Calculate the residuals (or estimated innovations)</u> associated with  $\hat{\phi}_i$  according the following formula:

$$r_{xt} = \hat{u}_{xt} - \sum_{j=1}^{\hat{p}(n)} \hat{\phi}_j \hat{u}_{xt-j}$$
  $x = 1, 2, ..., m$ 

$$t = \hat{p}(n) + 1, \dots, n$$

The Steps:

5. Calculate the centred residuals

$$\tilde{r}_{xt} = r_{xt} - \overline{r}_{xt}$$

The Steps:

6. <u>Define the empirical distribution function</u> of the centred residuals

$$\hat{F}_{xr}(y) = \frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{t=p+1}^{n} 1_{\{\tilde{r}_{xt} \le y\}}$$

The Steps:

7. <u>Draw</u>  $\varepsilon_x^*$  <u>IID terms from</u>  $\hat{F}_{xr}$  <u>with replacement</u>

#### The Steps:

8. <u>Bootstrap</u>  $u_{xt}^*$  <u>are simulated</u> by recursion according to the bootstrap regression model:

$$u_{xt}^* = \sum_{j=1}^{\hat{p}(n)} \hat{\varphi}_j u_{xt-y}^* + \varepsilon_{xt}^* \qquad x = 1, 2, ..., m$$

#### Summary:

In other words, the values of  $\mathcal{E}_{xt}^*$  are obtained by randomly sampling with replacement from  $\hat{F}_{xr}$  and consequently the simulated  $u_{xt}^*$  are computed and the  $m_{xt}^*$  are mapped. Finally the estimates  $\hat{\alpha}_x^*$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_x^*$ ,  $\hat{\kappa}_t^*$  are obtained by fitting the logbilinear structure to the  $m_{xt}^*$ 

#### Application scheme:

- -Model Fitting
- -Analysis of residuals
- -Simulation algorithm
- -Comparison of the results

#### Dataset:

The population data is composed by the Italian male from 1980 up to 2006 from 0 up to 100 years, collected from Human Mortality Database. The death rates above age 100 have been aggregated in an open age group 100+.

Italy: male death rates (1980-2006)

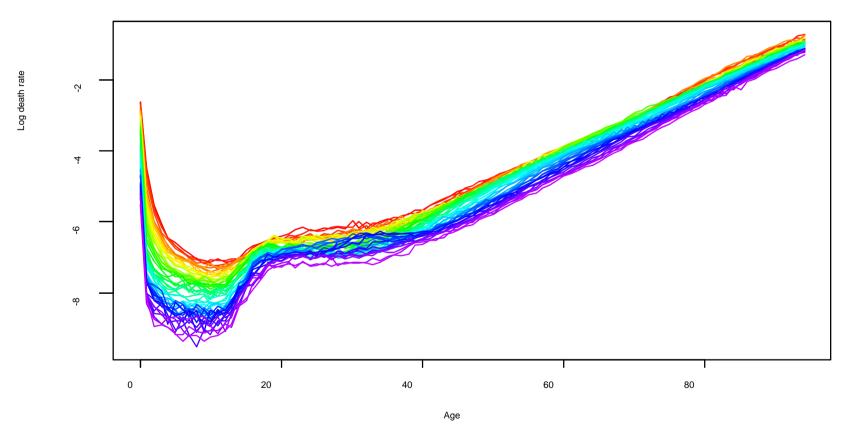


Figure 1- log death rates - Italian male population, age from 0 to 100

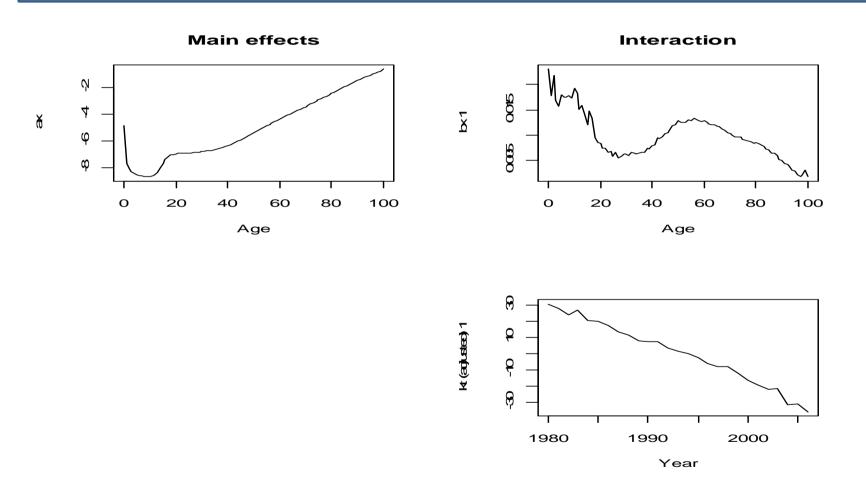


Figure 2- ax, bx, kt, basic LC model - Italian male population, age from 0 to 100

ERROR MEASURES BASED ON MORTALITY RATES							
Averages across ages:							
ME	MSE	MPE	MAPE				
Mean error	<b>Mean Squared</b>	Mean Percentage	Mean Absolute				
	Error	Error	Percentage Error				
-0.00008	0.00028	0.01102	0.08361				
Averages across years:							
IE	ISE	IPE	IAPE				
Integrated Error	Integrated	Integrated	Integrated				
	<b>Squared Error</b>	Percentage Error	Absolute				
			Percentage Error				
-0.00455	0.01930	1.10273	8.19838				

ERROR MEASURES BASED ON LOG MORTALITY RATES							
Averages across ages:							
ME	MSE	MPE	MAPE				
Mean error	Mean Squared	Mean Percentage	Mean Absolute				
	Error	Error	Percentage Error				
0.00367	0.01487	-0.01132	0.03596				
Averages across years:							
IE	ISE	IPE	IAPE				
Integrated Error	Integrated	Integrated	Integrated				
	<b>Squared Error</b>	Percentage Error	Absolute				
			Percentage Error				
0.36583	1.43059	-1.00498	3.40482				

#### Fitted vs residuals, fixing t=2006

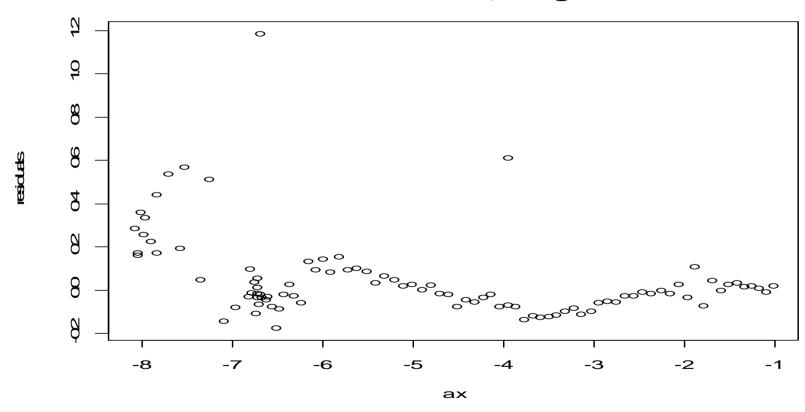


Figure 3 - Fitted ax vs residuals

#### Fitted vs residuals, fixing t=2006

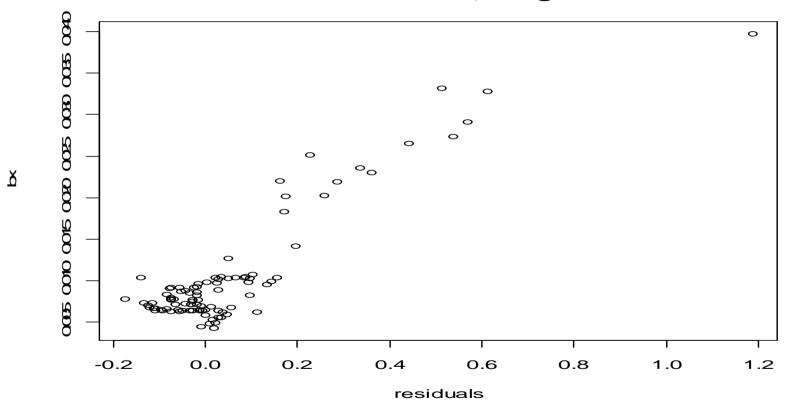


Figure 4 - Fitted bx vs residuals

#### Fitted vs Residuals, age=65

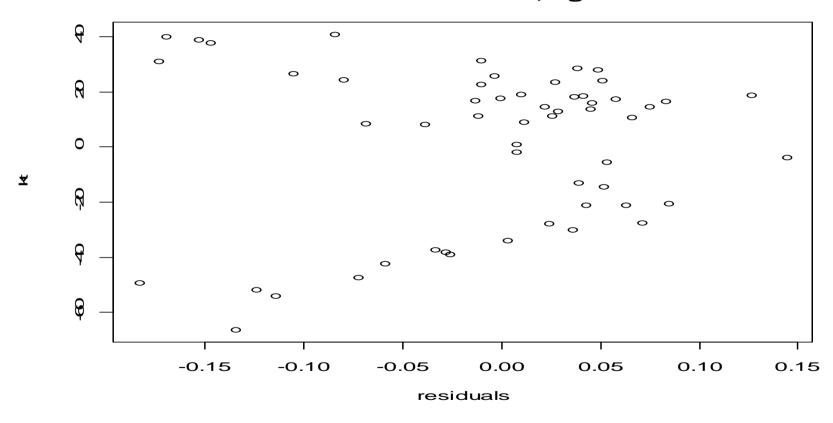


Figure 5 - Fitted kt vs residuals

Residuals for Italian male, basic Lee Carter

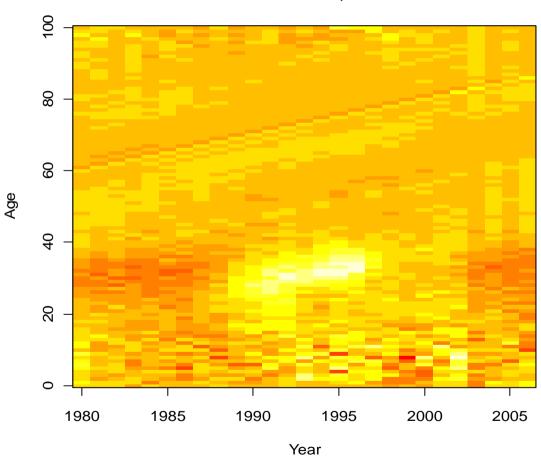


Figure 6 – Residuals years vs age – basic LC on Italian (

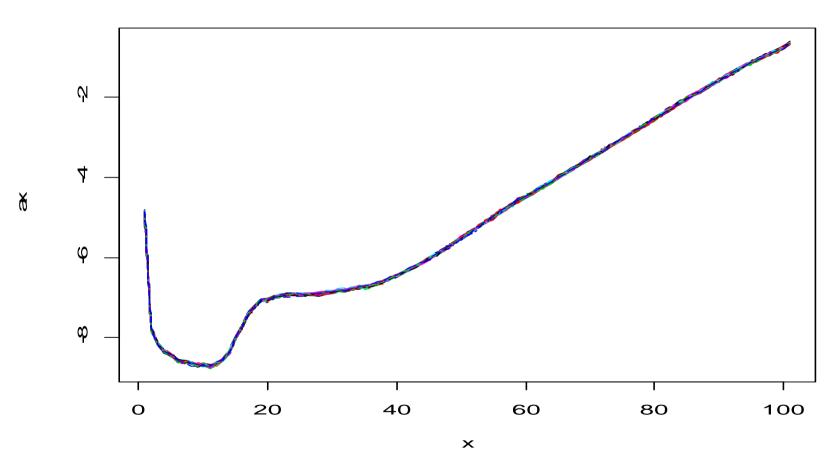


Figure 7 – Paths for ax – Sieve Bootstrap

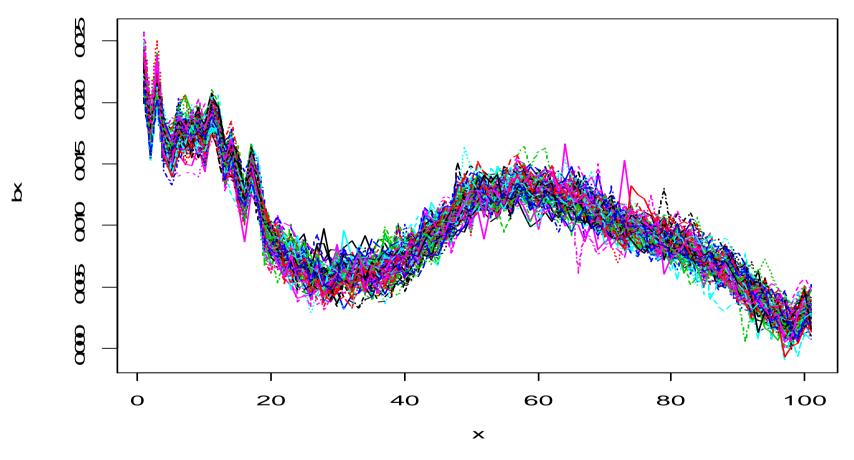


Figure 8 - Simulated paths for bx – Sieve Bootstrap

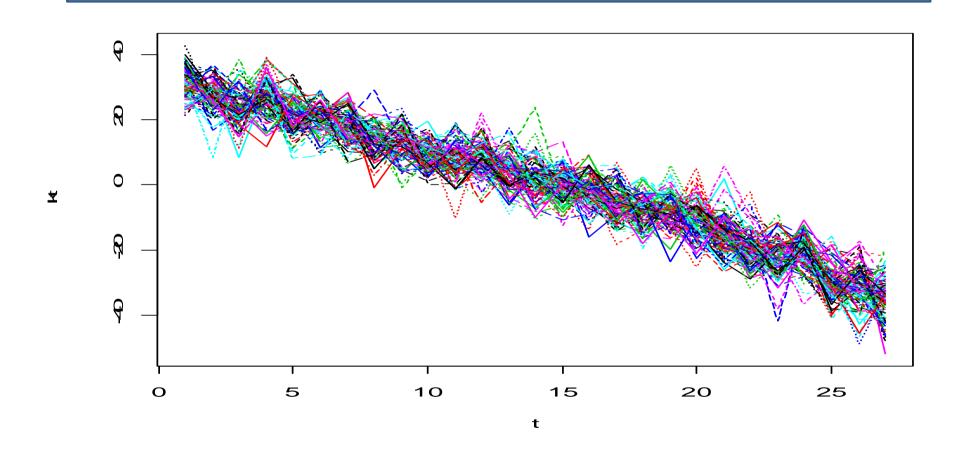


Figure 9 - Simulated paths for kt – Sieve Bootstrap

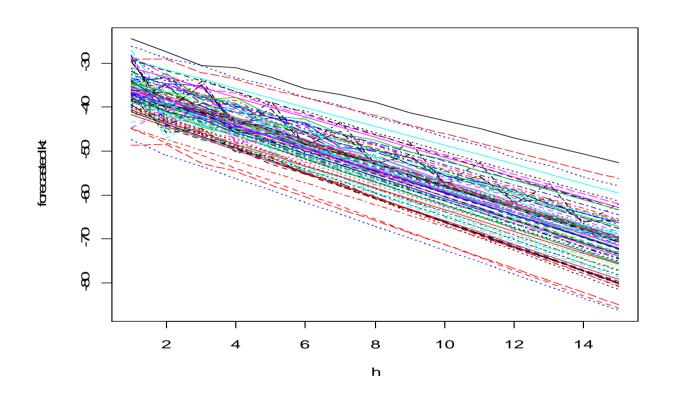


Figure 10 - Forecasted kt – Sieve Bootstrap

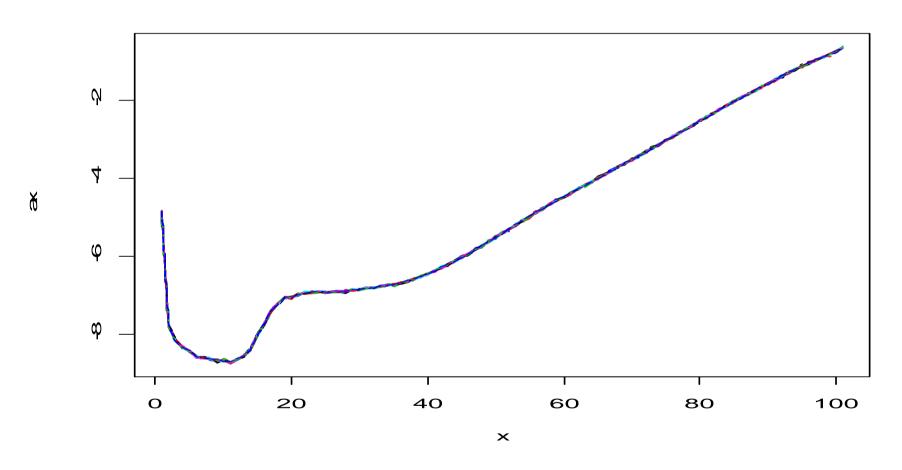


Figure 11 – Paths for ax – Residual standard bootstrap

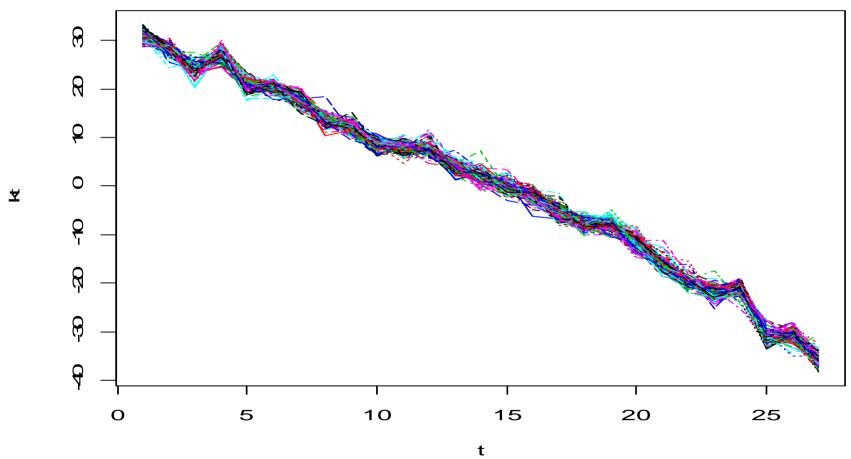


Figure 12 - Simulated paths for bx – Residual standard bootstrap

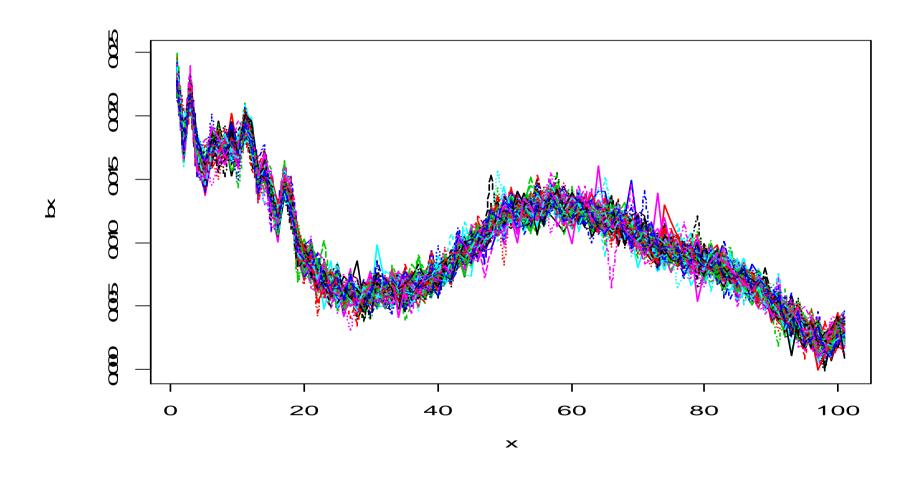


Figure 13 - Forecasted kt – Residual standard bootstrap

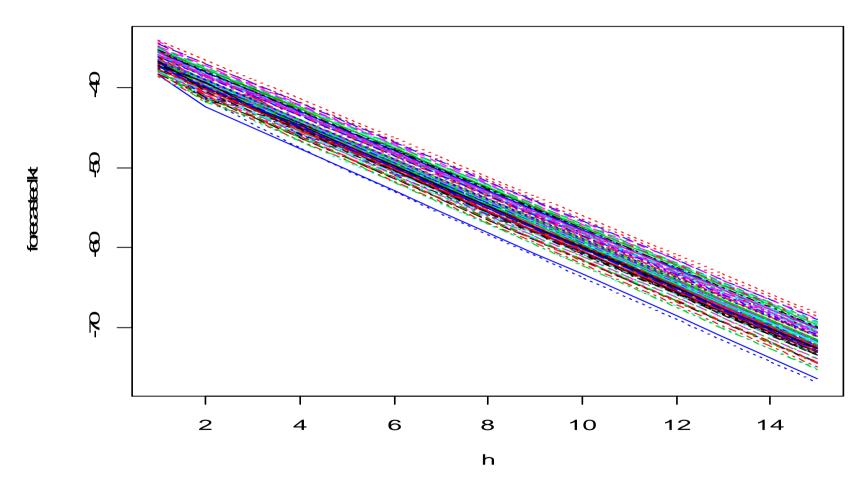


Figure 14 - Forecasted kt – Residual standard bootstrap

	Residual Bootstrap		Sieve Bootstrap	
h	5%	95%	5%	95%
1	-38.10	-34.81	-41.75	-28.37
2	-41.45	-37.53	-45.66	-32.52
3	-43.66	-39.89	-47.82	-34.01
4	-46.30	-42.34	-49.82	-37.49
5	-48.82	-44.78	-52.95	-40.37
6	-51.40	-47.22	-55.07	-41.89
7	-53.95	-49.67	-57.69	-43.44
8	-56.52	-52.13	-61.43	-47.03
9	-59.08	-54.60	-63.52	-50.13
10	-61.66	-57.07	-66.63	-51.33
11	-59.55	-64.23	-68.97	-53.24
12	-62.02	-66.80	-72.17	-55.72
13	-69.37	-64.47	-74.42	-57.84
14	-71.94	-66.91	-77.69	-60.33
15	-74.50	-69.36	-80.27	-62.98

Table 3- Non parametric standard bootstrap and Sieve bootstrap 5% and 95% Confidence Intervals for  $k_{t+h}$ 

### **Concluding Remarks**

Our research proposes a particular bootstrap methodology, the LC Sieve Bootstrap, for capturing the *dependence* in deriving *prediction intervals*, thus avoiding a systematic over-estimation or underestimation of the amount of uncertainty in the parameter estimates, respectively if negative or positive dependence dominates.

#### **Concluding Remarks**

• The *standard residual bootstrap* procedure does not preserve the correlation structure in the data.

 The sieve bootstrap, on the other hand, captures the dependency structure, leading to more reliable uncertainty measurement

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