

# Bootstrapping Efficient Portfolios

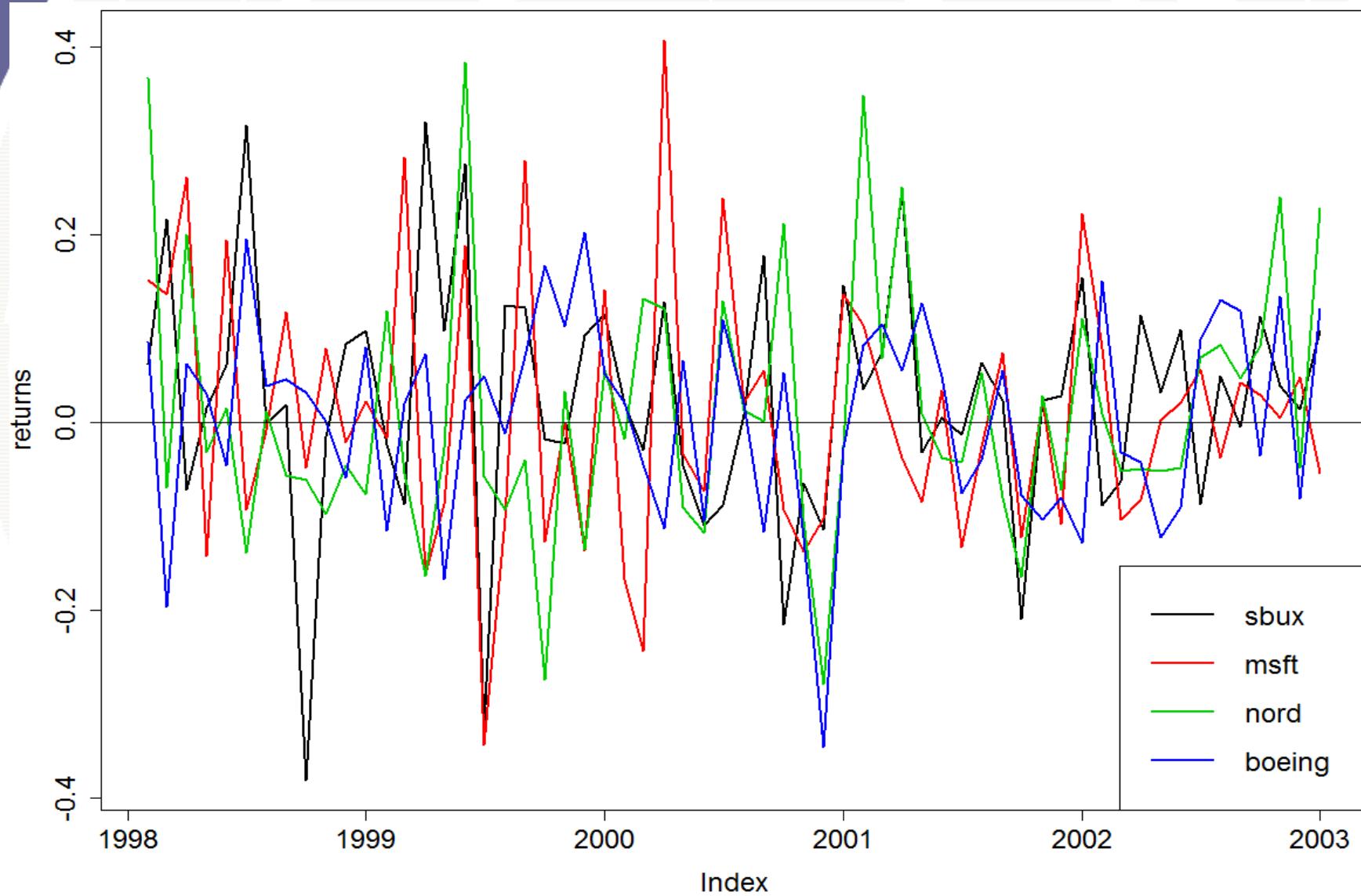
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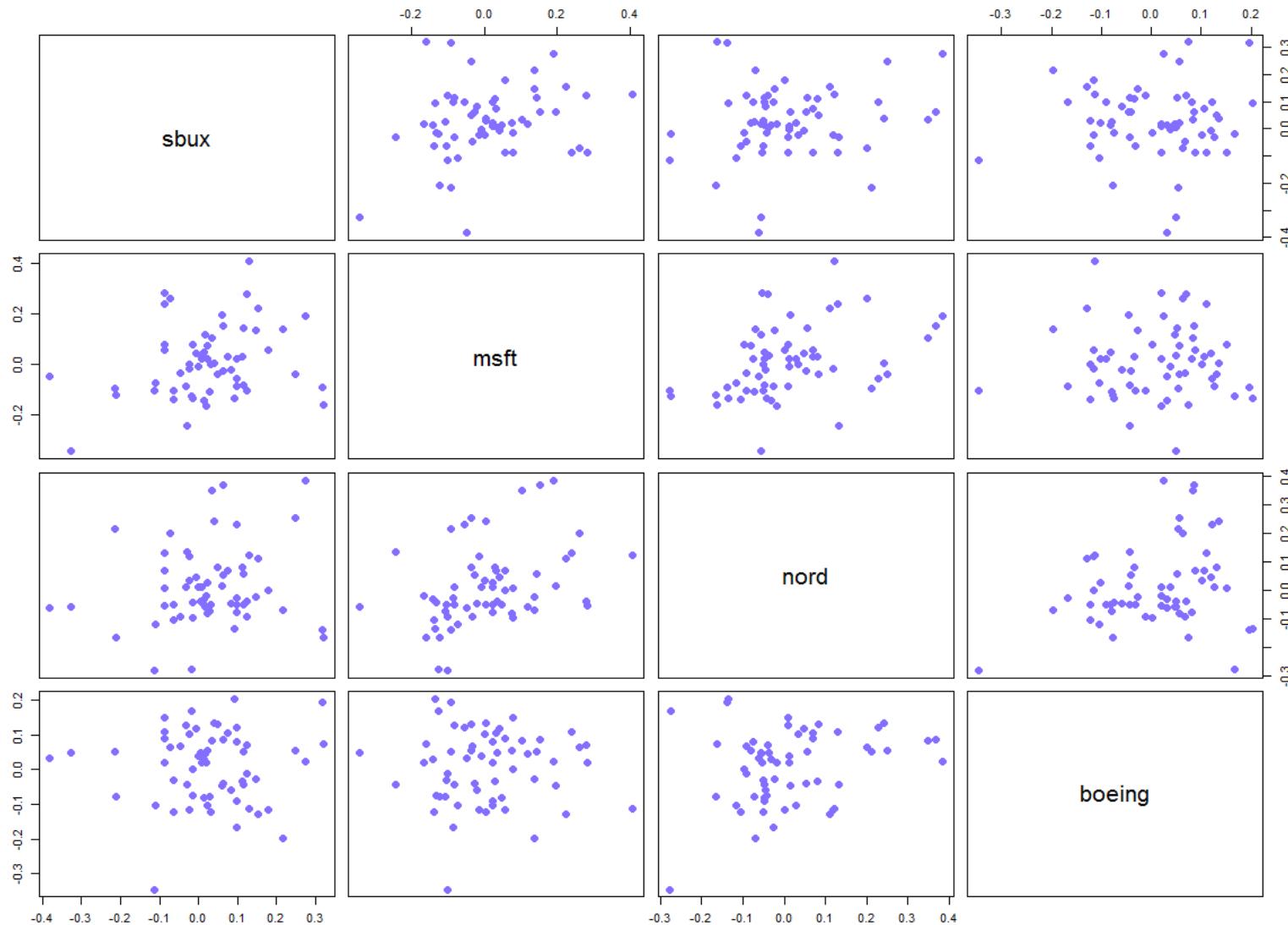
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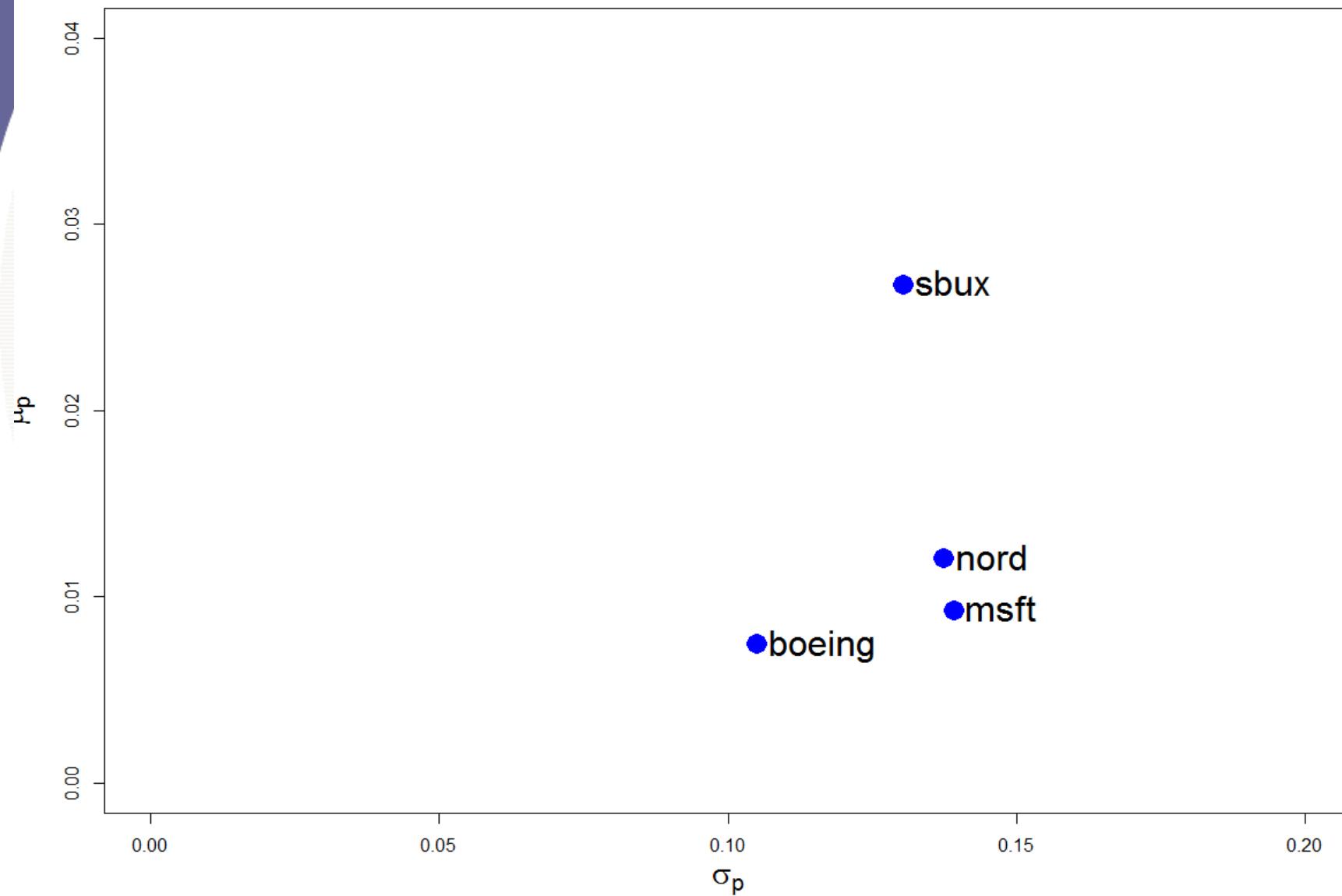
# Estimated Inputs

```
# estimated means
> mu.hat
  sbux      msft      nord   boeing
0.026753 0.009256 0.012024 0.007423

# estimated sds
> sd.hat
  sbux      msft      nord   boeing
0.1305 0.1391 0.1375 0.1051

# estimated correlations
> cor.hat
            sbux      msft      nord   boeing
sbux  1.00000  0.253079  0.1533  0.016126
msft  0.25308  1.000000  0.3775 -0.006234
nord  0.15327  0.377483  1.0000  0.233900
boeing 0.01613 -0.006234  0.2339  1.000000
```

# Estimated Risk Return Tradeoffs



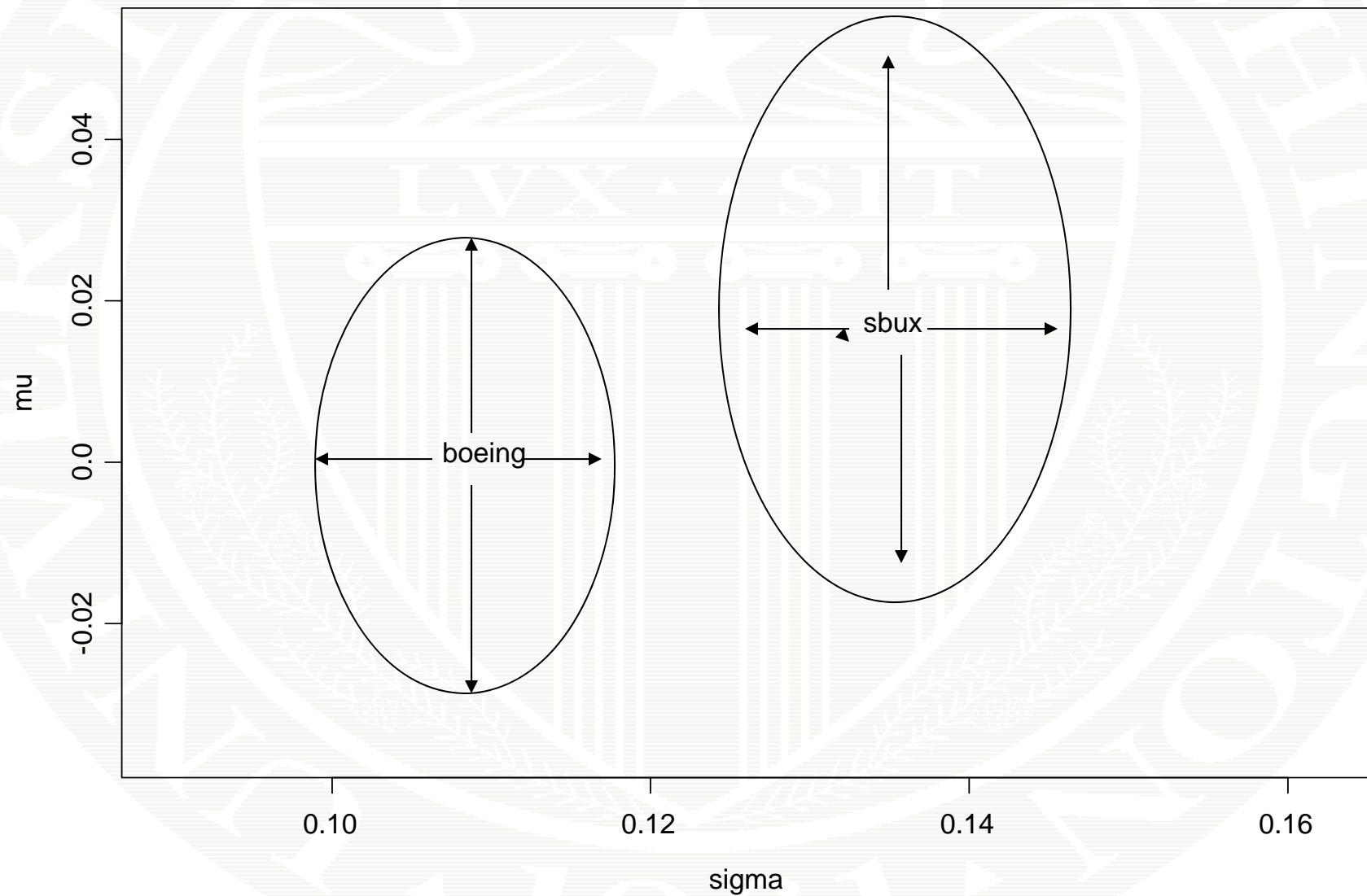
# Estimation Error in Inputs

```
# Estimated means with std errors
> rbind(mu.hat, se.mu.hat)
      sbux     msft     nord   boeing
mu.hat  0.02675 0.009256 0.01202 0.007423
se.mu.hat 0.01685 0.017961 0.01775 0.013570

# Estimated sds with std errors
> rbind(sd.hat, se.sd.hat)
      sbux     msft     nord   boeing
sd.hat   0.13052 0.1391 0.13752 0.105111
se.sd.hat 0.01192 0.0127 0.01255 0.009595
```

1. Means *are not* estimated precisely
2. Standard deviations are estimated precisely

## 95% Confidence Ellipses for $\mu$ and $\sigma$

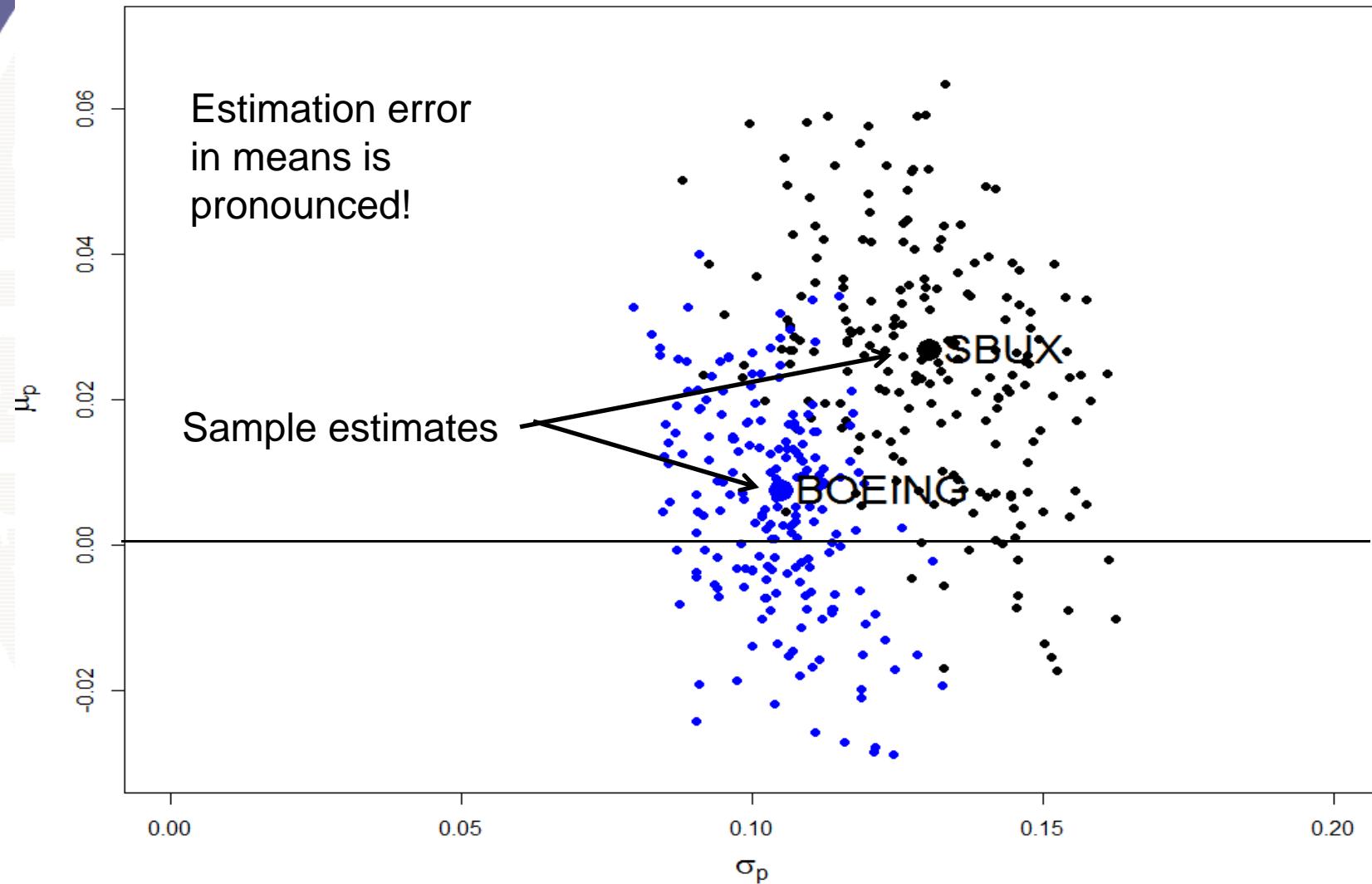


# Bootstrapping Means and SD values

```
# re-sample means and sd values
n.boot = 200
mu.boot = matrix(0, n.boot, ncol(ret.mat))
sd.boot = matrix(0, n.boot, ncol(ret.mat))
colnames(mu.boot) = colnames(sd.boot) =
colnames(ret.mat)

set.seed(123)
for (i in 1:n.boot) {
  boot.idx = sample(n.obs, replace=TRUE)
  ret.boot = ret.mat[boot.idx, ]
  mu.boot[i, ] = colMeans(ret.boot)
  sd.boot[i, ] = apply(ret.boot, 2, sd)
}
```

# Bootsrapped Means and SD values

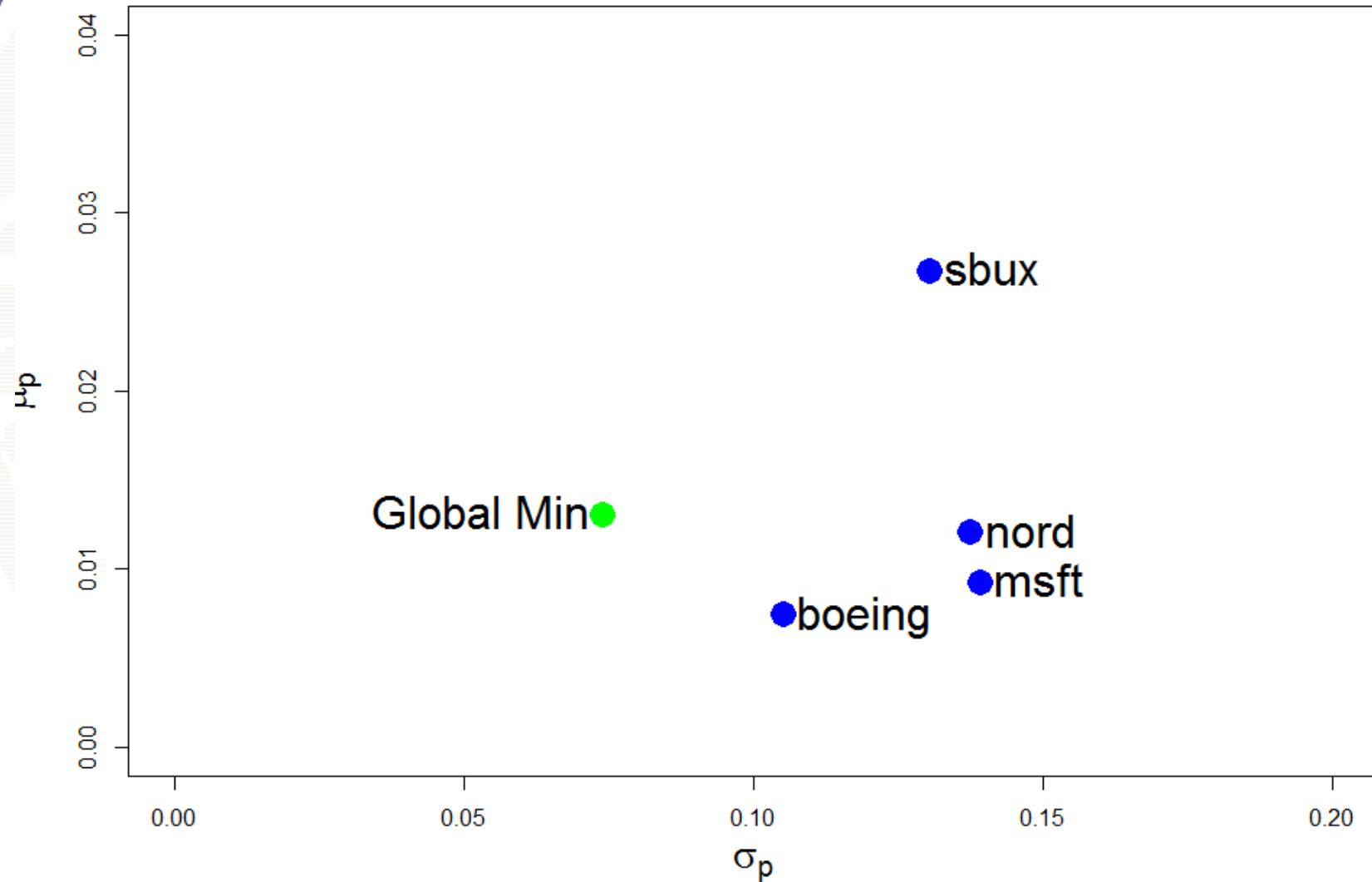


# Global Minimum Variance Portfolio

```
> gmin.port = globalMin.portfolio(mu.hat, cov.hat)
> gmin.port
Call:
globalMin.portfolio(er = mu.hat, cov.mat = cov.hat)

Portfolio expected return: 0.01303
Portfolio standard deviation: 0.07406
Portfolio weights:
  sbux   msft   nord boeing
0.2489 0.1897 0.0987 0.4628
```

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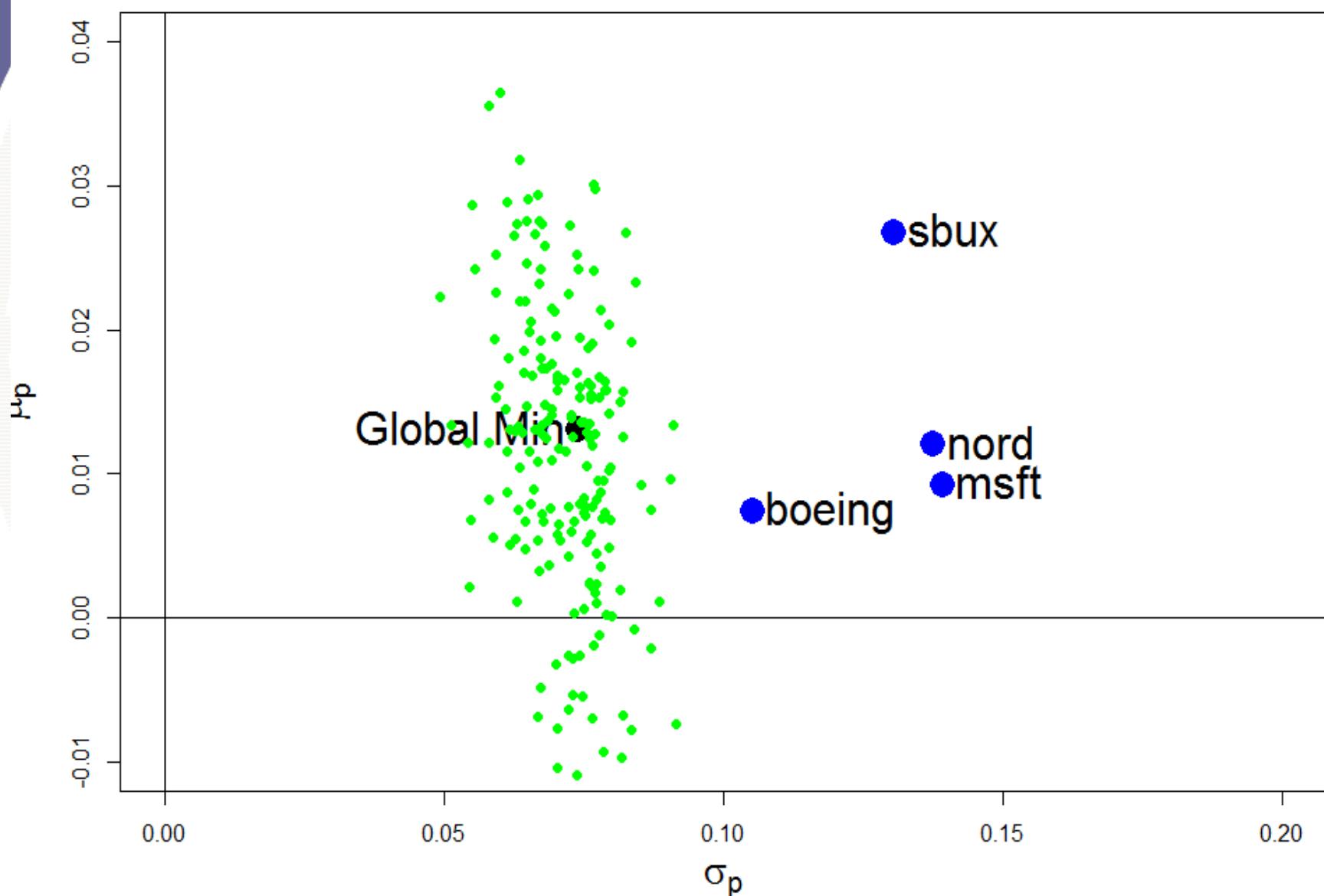


# Bootstrapping Global Min Var Portfolio

```
mu.gmin.boot = matrix(0, n.boot, 1)
sd.gmin.boot = matrix(0, n.boot, 1)
w.gmin.boot = matrix(0, n.boot, 4)
colnames(mu.gmin.boot) = colnames(sd.gmin.boot) =
"global.min"
colnames(w.gmin.boot) = names(mu.hat)

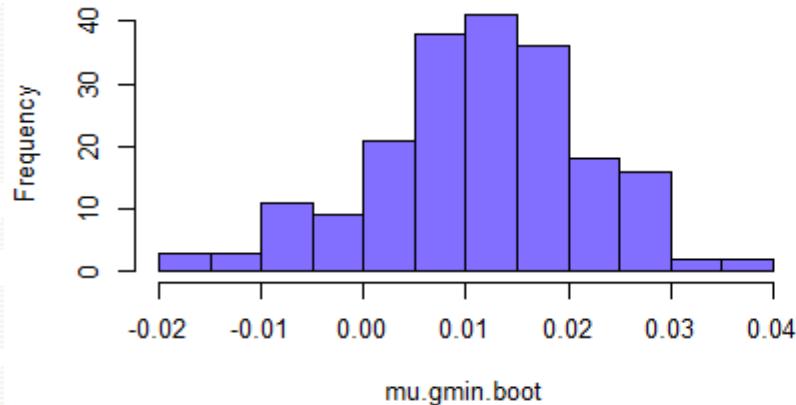
set.seed(123)
for (i in 1:n.boot) {
  boot.idx = sample(n.obs, replace=TRUE)
  ret.boot = ret.mat[boot.idx, ]
  mu.boot = colMeans(ret.boot)
  cov.boot = cov(ret.boot)
  gmin.boot = globalMin.portfolio(mu.boot, cov.boot)
  mu.gmin.boot[i, ] = gmin.boot$er
  sd.gmin.boot[i, ] = gmin.boot$sd
  w.gmin.boot[i, ] = gmin.boot$weights
}
```

# Bootstrapping Global Min Var Portfolio

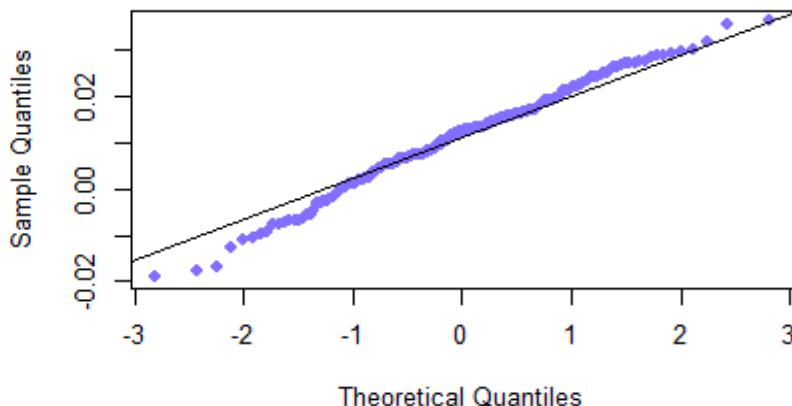


# Bootstrap Distribution of Mean and SD

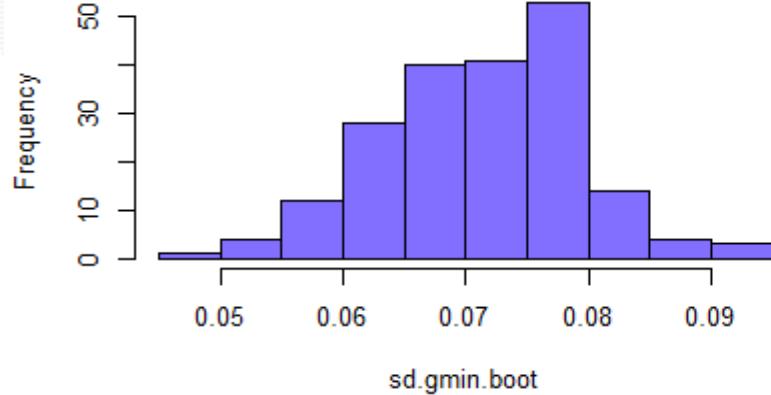
Histogram of mu.gmin.boot



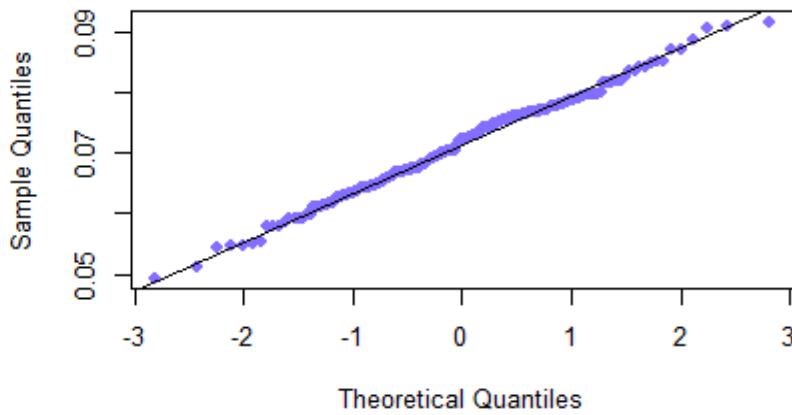
Normal Q-Q Plot



Histogram of sd.gmin.boot



Normal Q-Q Plot



# Bootstrap Bias, SE and 95% CI

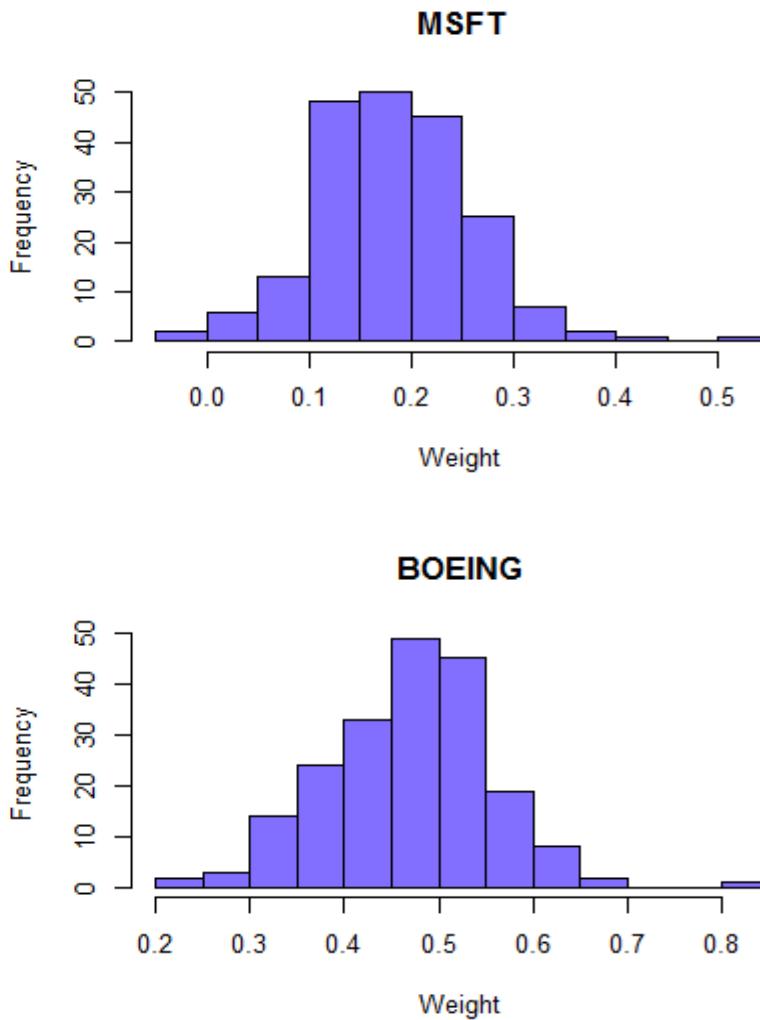
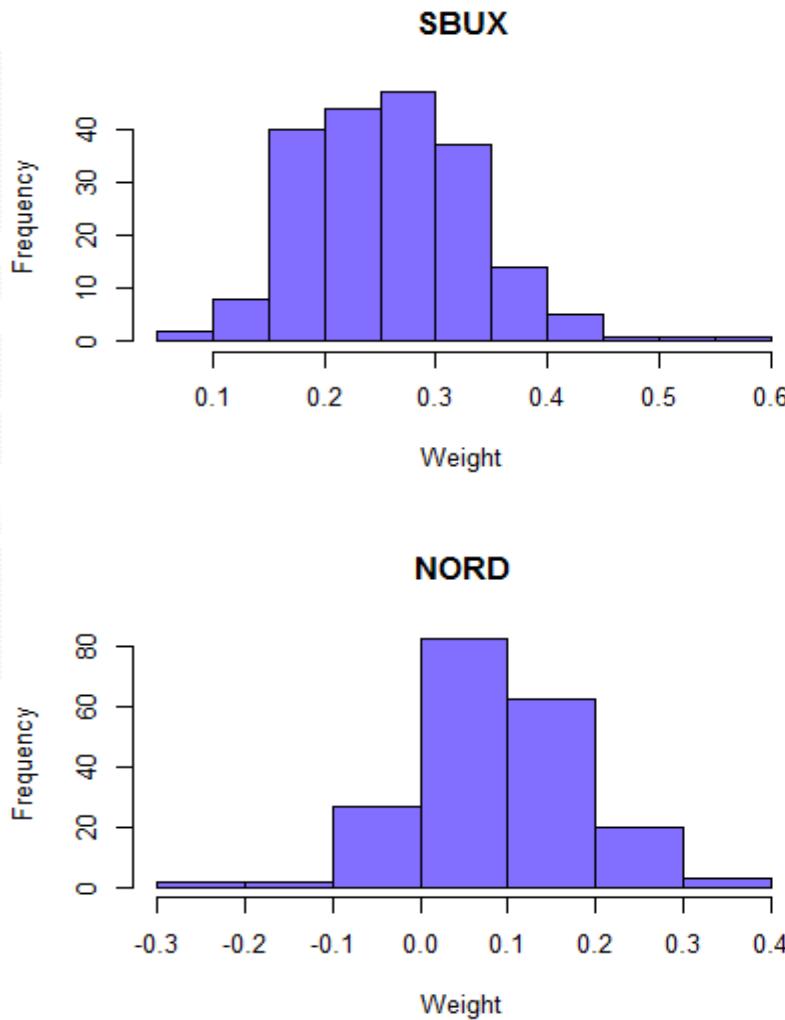
```
> bias.mu.gmin = mean(mu.gmin.boot) - gmin.port$er
> se.mu.gmin = sd(mu.gmin.boot)
> ci.mu.gmin.95 = c(gmin.port$er-2*se.mu.gmin,
+                     gmin.port$er+2*se.mu.gmin)
> bias.mu.gmin
[1] -0.001774
> se.mu.gmin
[1] 0.01051
> ci.mu.gmin.95
[1] -0.007986  0.034056
```

Very wide 95% CI for  $\mu_{gmin}$

```
> bias.sd.gmin = mean(sd.gmin.boot) - gmin.port$sd
> se.sd.gmin = sd(sd.gmin.boot)
> ci.sd.gmin.95 = c(gmin.port$sd-2*se.sd.gmin,
+                     gmin.port$sd+2*se.sd.gmin)
> bias.sd.gmin
[1] -0.002672
> se.sd.gmin
[1] 0.007905
> ci.sd.gmin.95
[1] 0.05825  0.08987
```

Not so wide 95% CI for  $\sigma_{gmin}$

# Bootstrap Weights in Min Var Portfolio



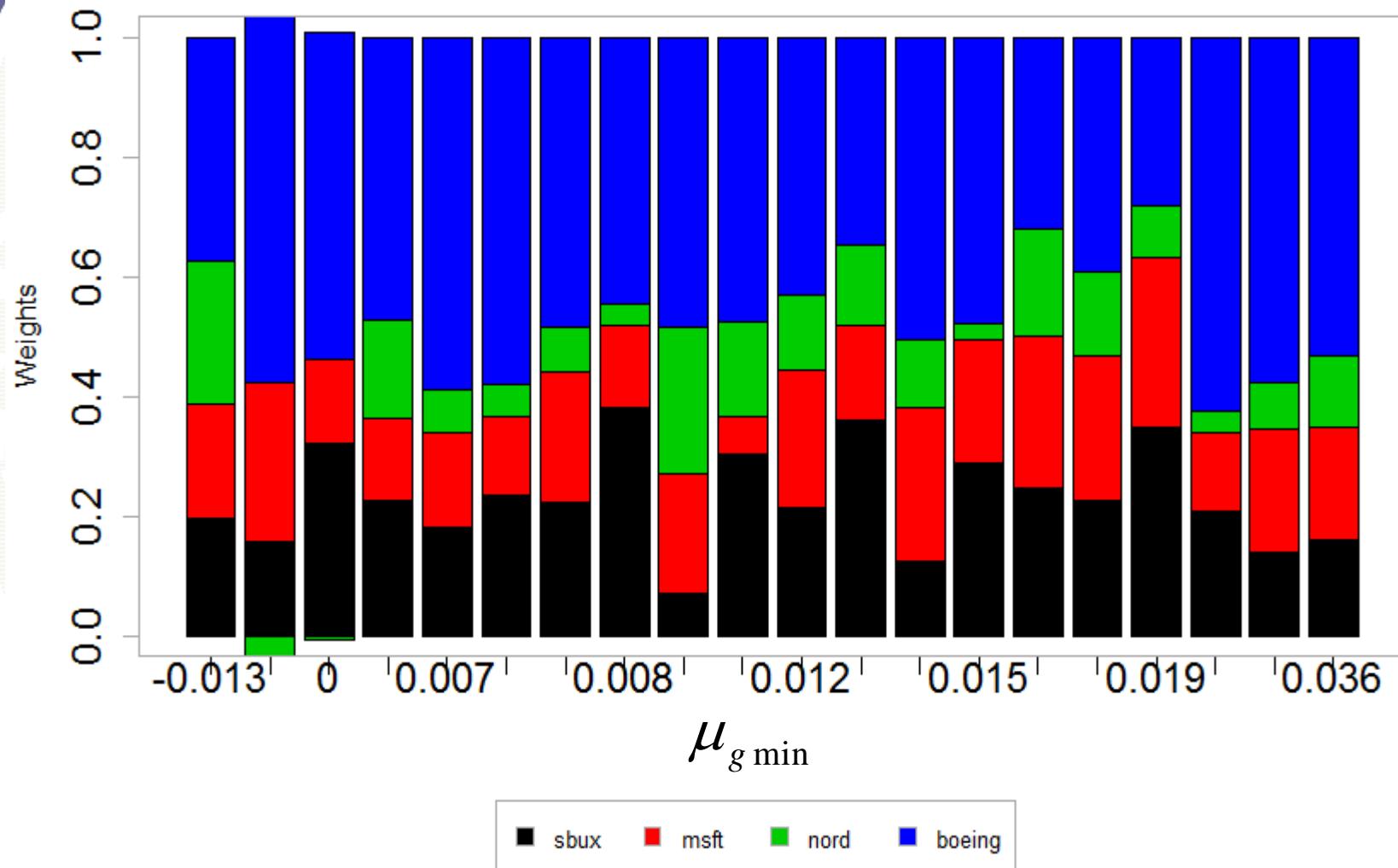
# Bias, SE and 95% CI for Weights

```
> bias.w.gmin = colMeans(w.gmin.boot) - gmin.port$weights
> se.w.gmin = apply(w.gmin.boot, 2, sd)
> ci.w.gmin.95 = rbind(gmin.port$weights-2*se.w.gmin,
+                      gmin.port$weights+2*se.w.gmin)
> rownames(ci.w.gmin.95) = c("lower", "upper")
> bias.w.gmin
      sbux      msft      nord      boeing
0.011067 -0.006630 -0.010480  0.006043

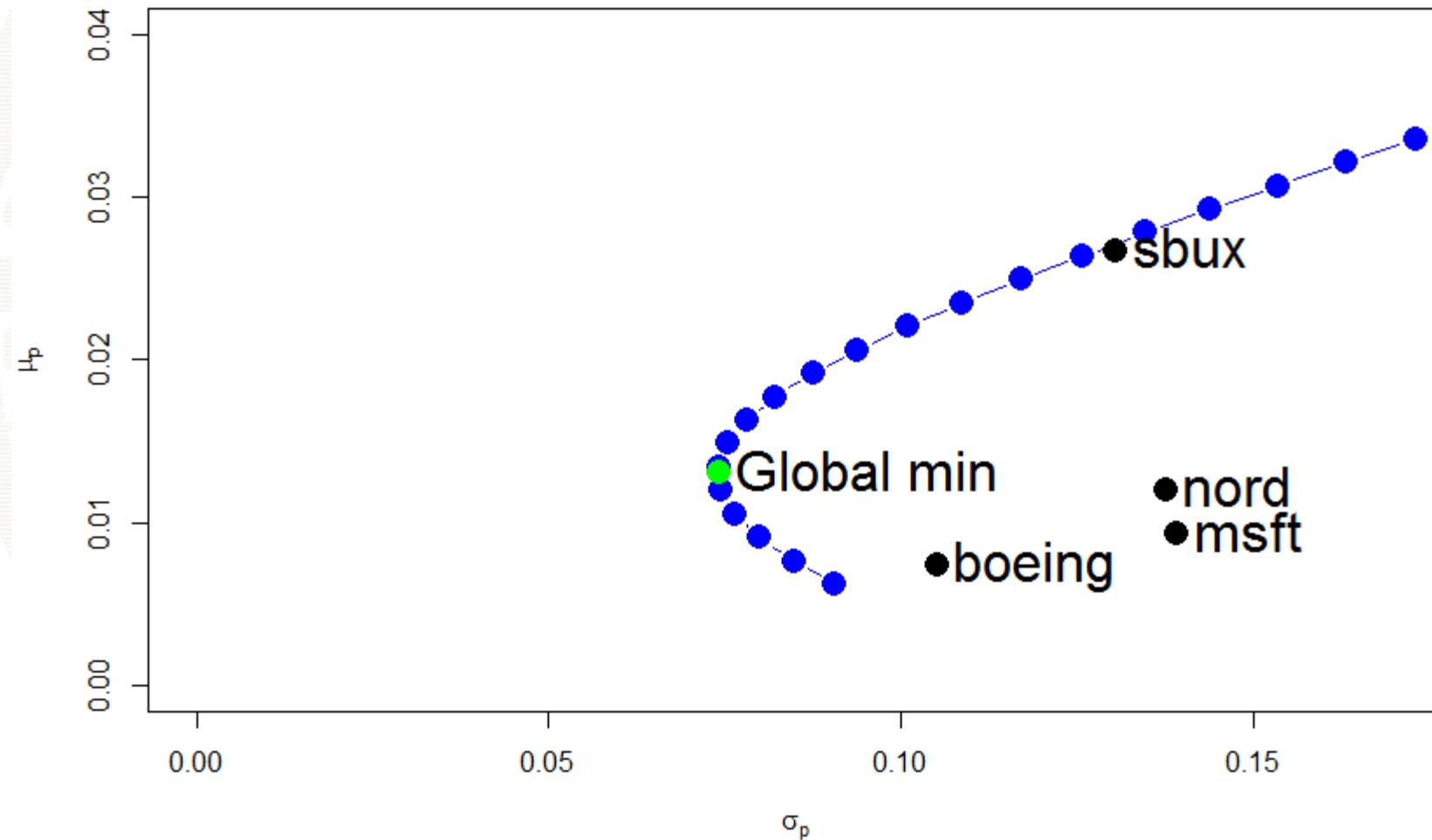
> se.w.gmin
      sbux      msft      nord      boeing
0.07741  0.07742  0.09784  0.08686

> ci.w.gmin.95
      sbux      msft      nord      boeing
lower 0.09403  0.03481 -0.09703  0.2891
upper 0.40367  0.34450  0.29433  0.6366
```

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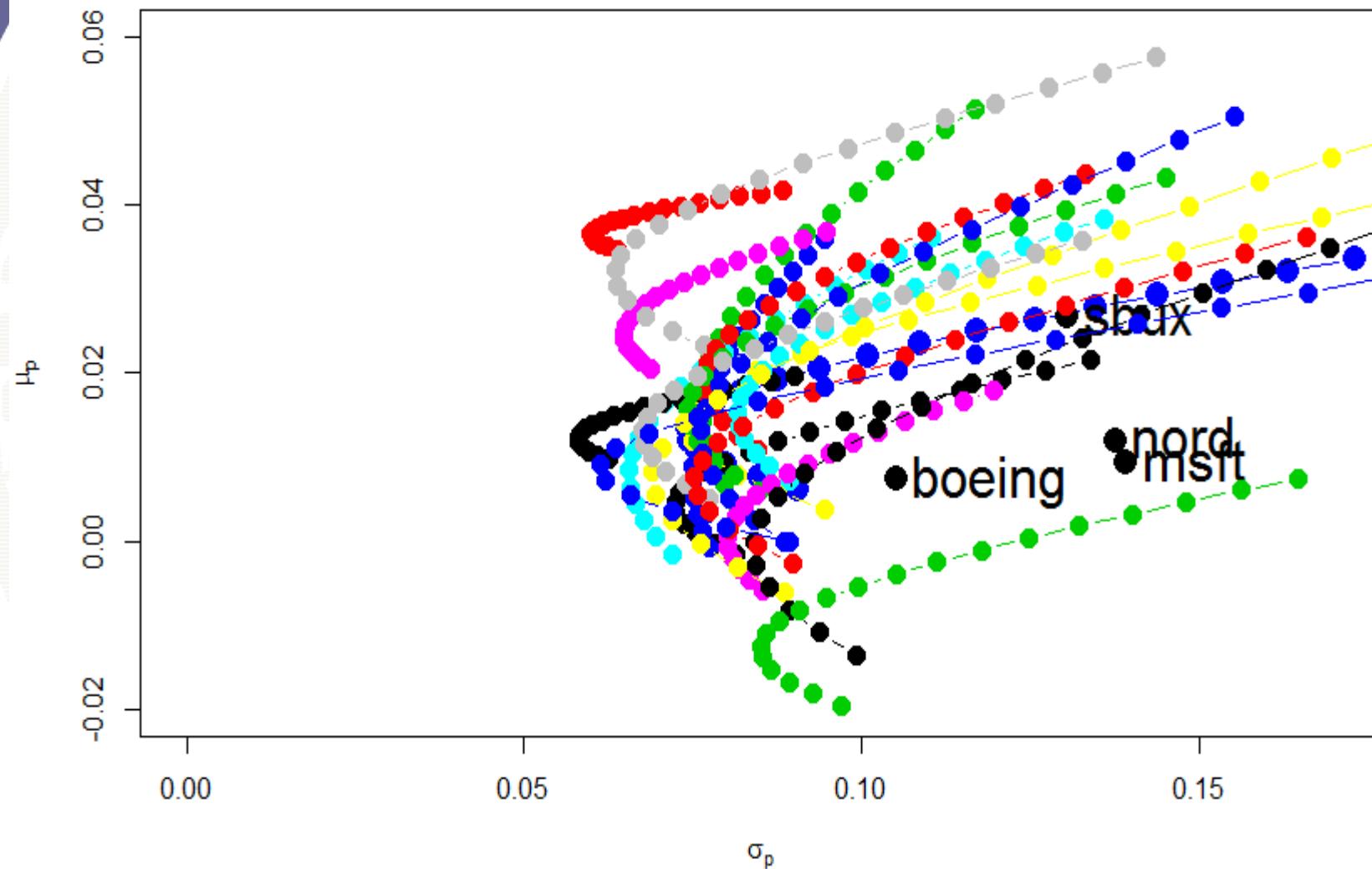
# Efficient Frontier of Risky Assets



# Bootstrapping the Efficient Frontier

```
# initialize empty list to hold results
> ef.list = list()
> set.seed(123)
> for (i in 1:n.boot) {
+   boot.idx = sample(n.obs, replace=TRUE)
+   ret.boot = ret.mat[boot.idx, ]
+   mu.boot = colMeans(ret.boot)
+   cov.boot = cov(ret.boot)
+   ef.boot = efficient.frontier(mu.boot, cov.boot)
+   ef.list[[i]] = ef.boot
}
```

# Bootstrap Efficient Frontiers



# Impacts of Estimation Error in Inputs to Portfolio Theory

- Large estimation errors in means of individual assets causes large estimation errors in means of efficient portfolios
- Small estimation errors in standard deviations and correlations does not cause large estimation errors in weights for global minimum variance portfolio
- Large estimation errors in means of individual assets causes large estimation errors in location of efficient frontier of risky assets