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5.5.R1

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If we have n data points, what is the probability that a given data point does not appear in a bootstrap sample?

$(1-1/n)^n$

✓ Answer: $(1-1/n)^n$

$(1 - \frac{1}{n})^n$

Explanation

To construct a bootstrap sample, we repeatedly draw a single data point from a sample of size n , n times. Any given data point has a $1-1/n$ chance of not being selected in each draw. Hence, the chance of not being selected in any of the n draws is $(1-1/n)^n$

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<https://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/88980/why-on-average-does-each-bootstrap-sample-contain-roughly-two-thirds-of-observat>

$(1-1/n)^n \sim 1/e \sim 1/3$ as n goes to infinity \Rightarrow the chance of not being selected $\sim 1/3$
 \Rightarrow About two-thirds of the original data points appear in each bootstrap sample.