

Assignment23

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1. What is the probability that the first bootstrap observation is not the j th observation from the original sample? Justify your answer.

Say we have n observations, where each observation is drawn randomly with replacement. The probability of selecting the j th observation in a single draw is $1/n$. Thus, the probability of not selecting the j th observation as the first bootstrap observation is $1 - 1/n$.

2. What is the probability that the second bootstrap observation is not the j th observation from the original sample?

When we pick a bootstrap operation, it is independent. Therefore, the second bootstrap observation would have the same probability as the previous one, thus $1 - 1/n$.

3. Argue that the probability that the j th observation is not in the n bootstrap sample is $(1 - 1/n)^n$

Each bootstrap observation is drawn independently. The probability to avoid the j th observation at a single bootstrap observation is $1 - 1/n$. Therefore, to avoid selecting the j th observation in all n draws, we merely just apply the power to the n :

$(1 - 1/n)^n$. This expression gives us the probability that the j th observation is not included in the bootstrap sample size n .

4. When $n = 5$, what is the probability that the j th observation is in the bootstrap sample. We know that to avoid selecting the j th observation in n draws, it is $(1 - 1/n)^n$. Therefore, if we want to know the probability of having the j th observation in $n = 5$ draws, then we just need to do the complement:

$$1 - (1 - 1/5)^5 = 0.67232.$$

5. When $n=100$, what is the probability that the j th observation is in the bootstrap sample? We will do the same logic as before:

$$1 - (1 - 1/100)^{100} = 0.63397$$

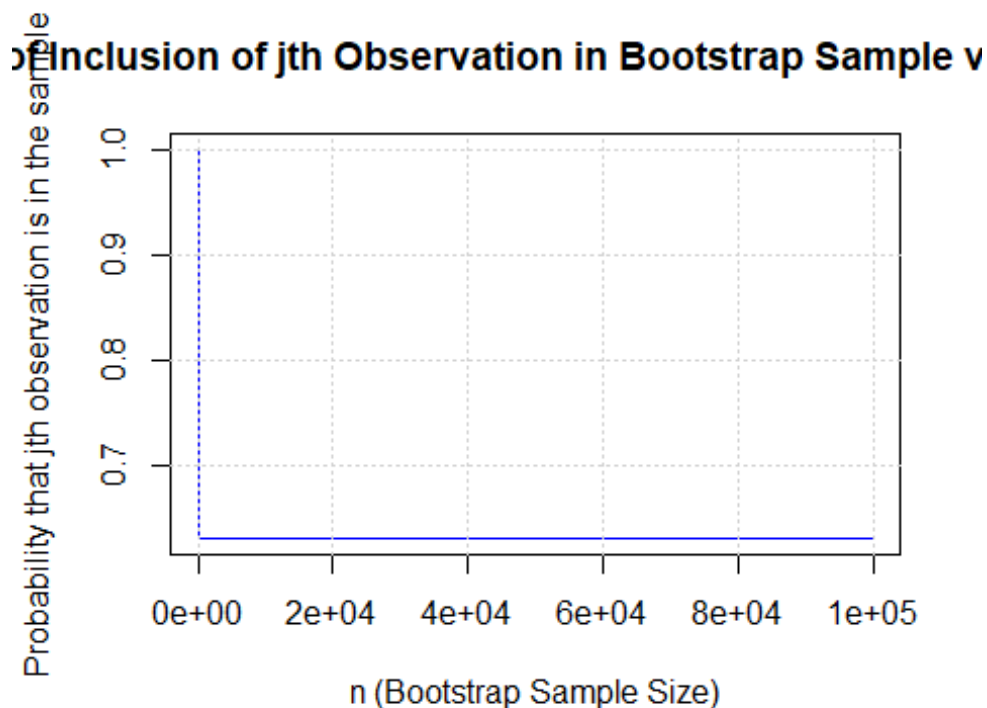
6. When $n=10000$, what is the probability that the j th observation is in the bootstrap sample? Same as before: $1 - (1 - 1/10000)^{10000} = 0.63212$

7. Create a plot that displays, for each integer value of n from 1 to 100000, the probability that the j th observation is in the bootstrap sample. Comment on what you observe

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n_values <- 1:100000
probabilities <- 1 - (1 - 1 / n_values) ^ n_values

plot(n_values, probabilities, type = "l", col = "blue",
     xlab = "n (Bootstrap Sample Size)",
     ylab = "Probability that jth observation is in the sample",
     main = "Probability of Inclusion of jth Observation in Bootstrap Sample
vs Sample Size n")

grid()
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It is interesting, as we start from 1, but it seems that as n approaches 100000, the probability that our j th observation is in the bootstrapped sample converges to a specific number.

We note that we start with the limit:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = e^x$$

$$\text{For } x = -1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\frac{1}{e} \approx 0.368$$

Which means that there is a 0.368 probability that a specific observation is not included in a bootstrap as n grows large. Therefore, a 0.632 probability that a specific observation is included in a bootstrap sample as n grows large.

8. We now investigate numerically the probability that a bootstrap sample of size $n = 100$ contains the j th observation. Here $j = 4$. We repeatedly create bootstrap samples, and each time we record whether or not the fourth observation is contained in the bootstrap sample.

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store=rep(NA, 10000)

for(i in 1:10000) {
  store[i]=sum(sample(1:100, rep=TRUE)==4)>0
}
mean(store)

## [1] 0.6291
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The probability of the 4th observation being included in a bootstrap of sample size $n = 100$ is approximately 0.6282, which is awfully close to our formula's answer:

$$1 - (1 - 1/100)^{100} = 0.632$$