

Random Forest

how to evaluate RF

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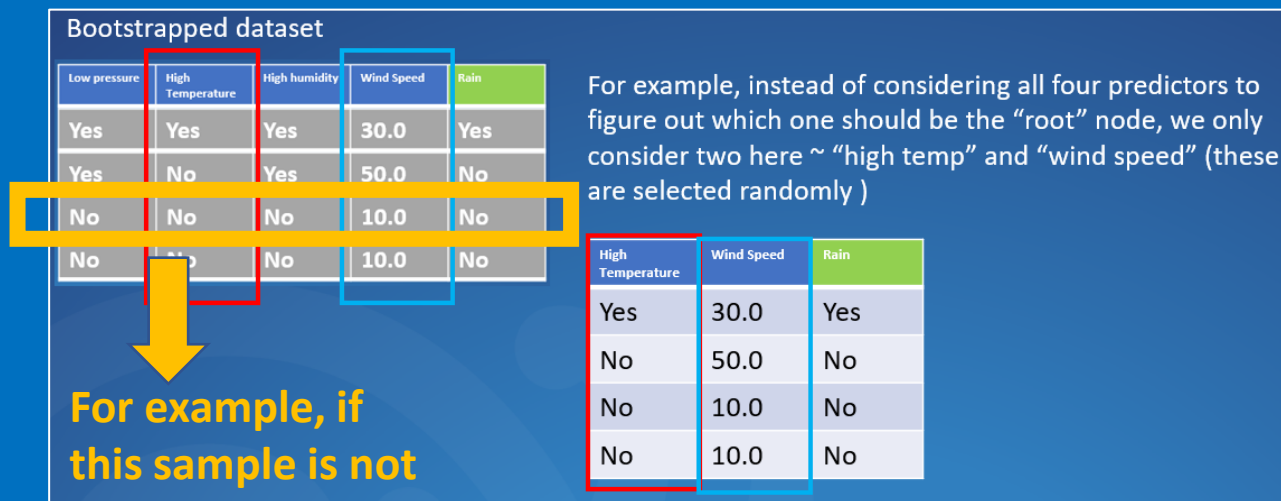
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Ultimately, we can measure how accurate the RF is based on the proportion of how many "out-of-bag" dataset gets the correct prediction

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