Exploratory Data Analysis





Traffic was horrible back then.



- I walked into my DS program with the following
  - One year of stats
  - Math training up to Diff Eq
  - Completed Andrew Ng's and numerous other math dense MOOCs on machine learning
  - Had completely read several other math dense books on machine learning
- YOU DON'T NEED ANY OF THIS ANYMORE!



- Today's data scientist need to understand their tools, but not implementation details.
- Algos need proper care and feeding.
- Algos suffer from the same problem all algos do. GIGO.
  - Garbage in. Garbage out.
- Modern algos correct for things we had to manually deal with just 5 years ago.



# Oh lord. Here we go again.



- We use EDA to understand the data that we're going to analyze.
- This is where you earn your junior P.I. merit badge.



THE FIRST STEP IN EDA IS TO PERFORM A RECORD COUNT!!





Here. You're gonna be a while.



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# Dirt. He means dirt.

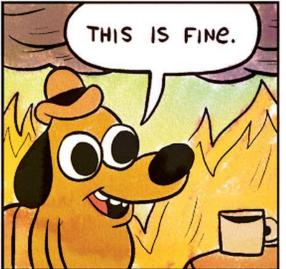


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- When you're crunching numbers, you need to understand how much horsepower is at your disposal.
- Be careful. Some algos explode the dataset and will choke your machine if you're running an analysis on a single box.



The next step in the EDA process....





This is how I roll.



- Do a data summary
- Summaries contain basic statistical information
- You'll need to do some viz because some stats are hard to understand as just numbers.

