Data Science 1

STAT/CS 287

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LECTURE 02

Announcement

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Help with questions and will hold office hours (Tuesdays 2–3pm)

Today’s Schedule

Intro/Review of probability and statistics

Reading assignment:

Review the rest of today's lecture notes when posted (including properties of expectation, variance)

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During WW2: help planes survive combat
→ ***Where* to put bulletproof armor?**

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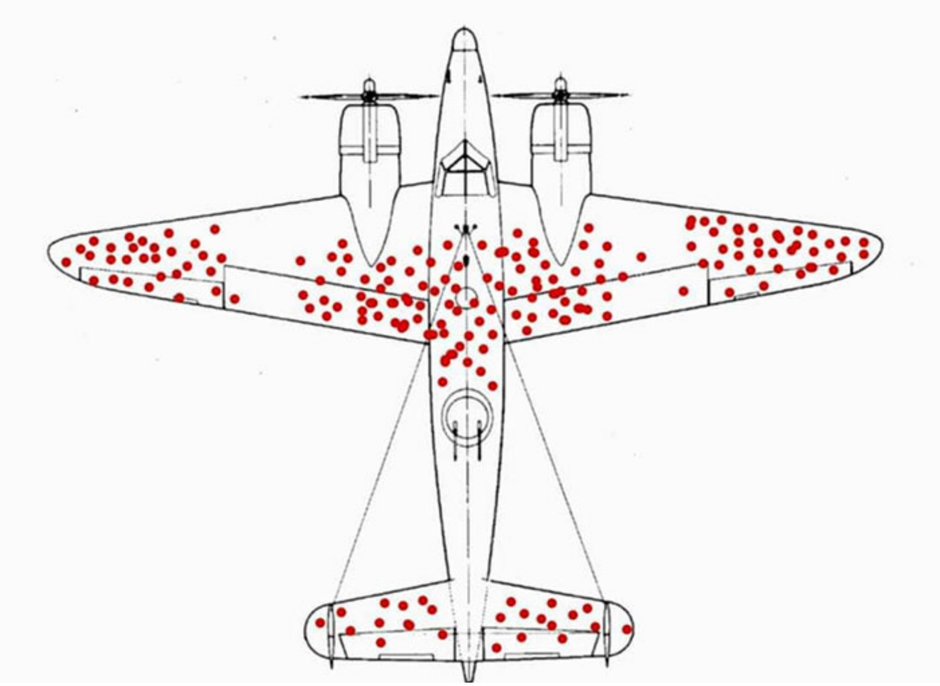

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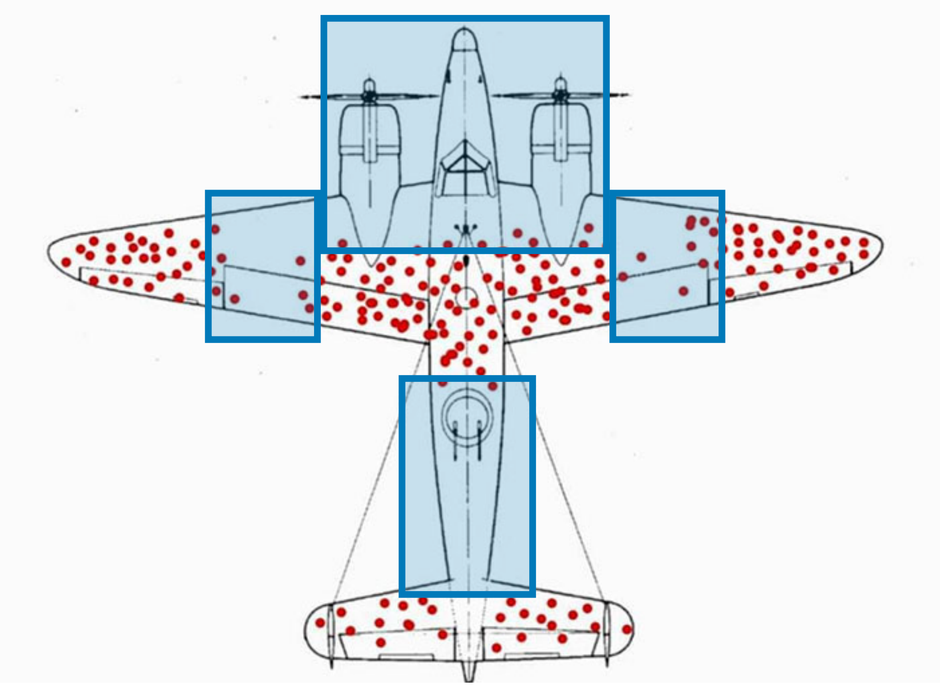

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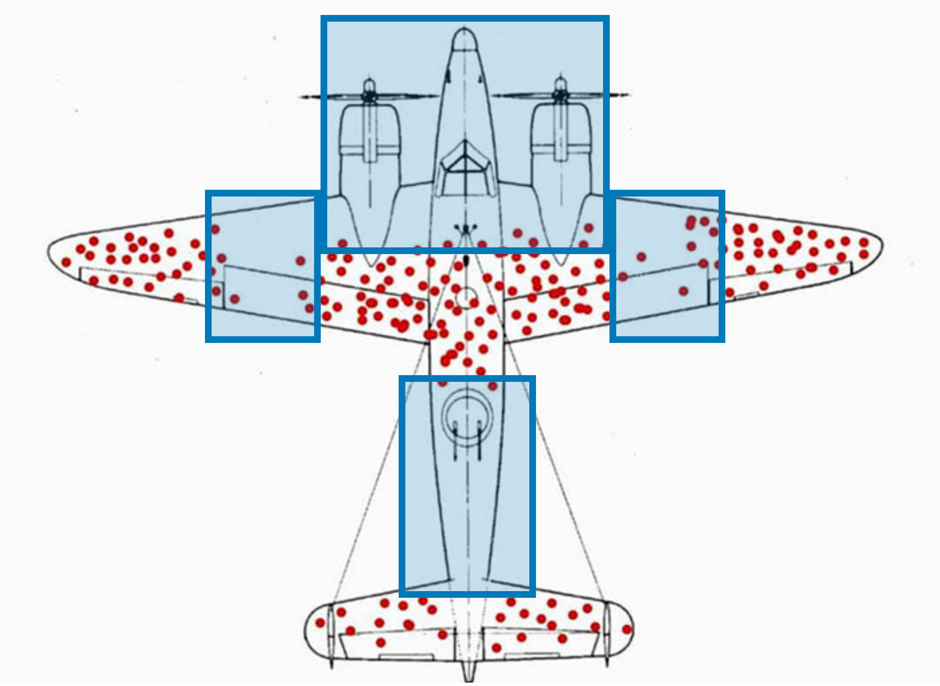

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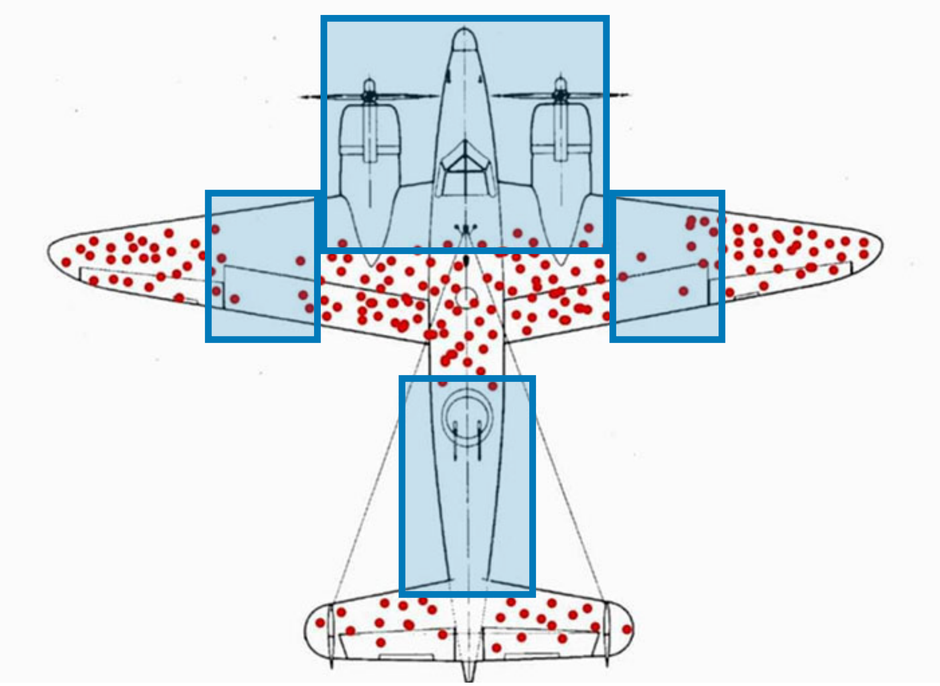

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As data scientists, we should always be reasoning about the *greater context* of the data at hand.
→ Helped by a good grounding of (*conditional*) *probability*

Let's switch to the board