

Athletic Software Engineering Education

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1 Introduction

A common form of observational bias is called the “streetlight effect”, named in honor of the following joke:

A drunk loses the keys to his house and is looking for them under a streetlight. A policeman comes over and asks what he’s doing. “I’m looking for my keys” he says. “I lost them over there”. The policeman looks puzzled. “Then why are you looking for them all the way over here?” “Because the light is so much better”.