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## Security Data Science: From Theory to Reality

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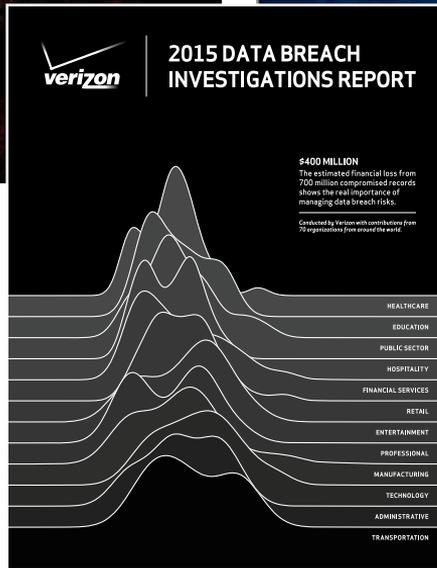
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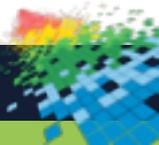
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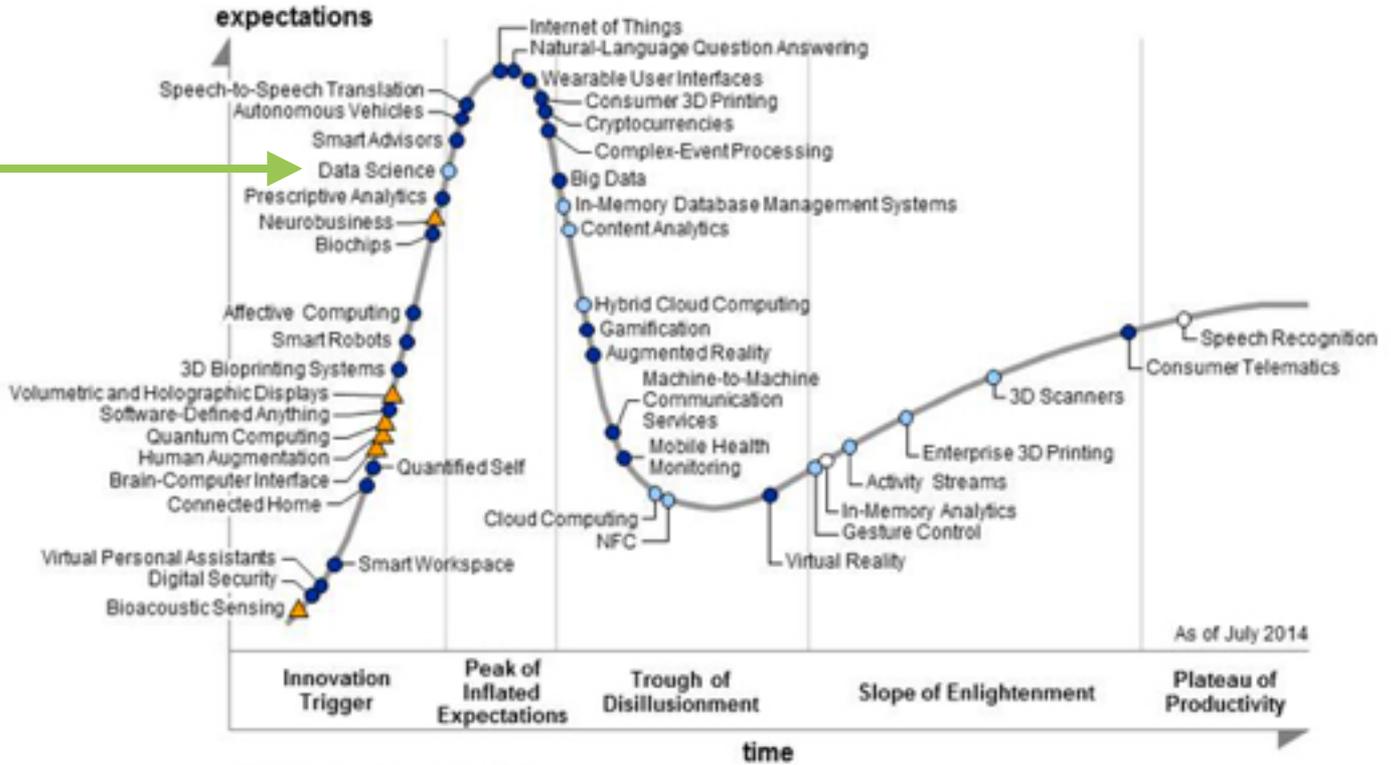
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## [Security] Data Science



We are here



**Plateau will be reached in:**

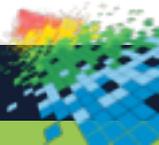
○ less than 2 years    ● 2 to 5 years    ● 5 to 10 years    ▲ more than 10 years    ⊗ obsolete before plateau

SOURCE: Gartner, August 2014



# Data Science is...

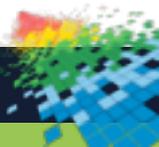
- ◆ "Data scientist is just a sexed up word for statistician." - *Nate Silver*
- ◆ Data Scientist (n.): Person who is better at statistics than any software engineer and better at software engineering than any statistician. - *Josh Wills, Ex-Statistician, Data Scientist at Cloudera*
- ◆ "Data science is the process of formulating a quantitative question that can be answered with data, collecting and cleaning the data, analyzing the data, and communicating the answer to the question to a relevant audience." - *Jeff Leek, JHU/Coursera*

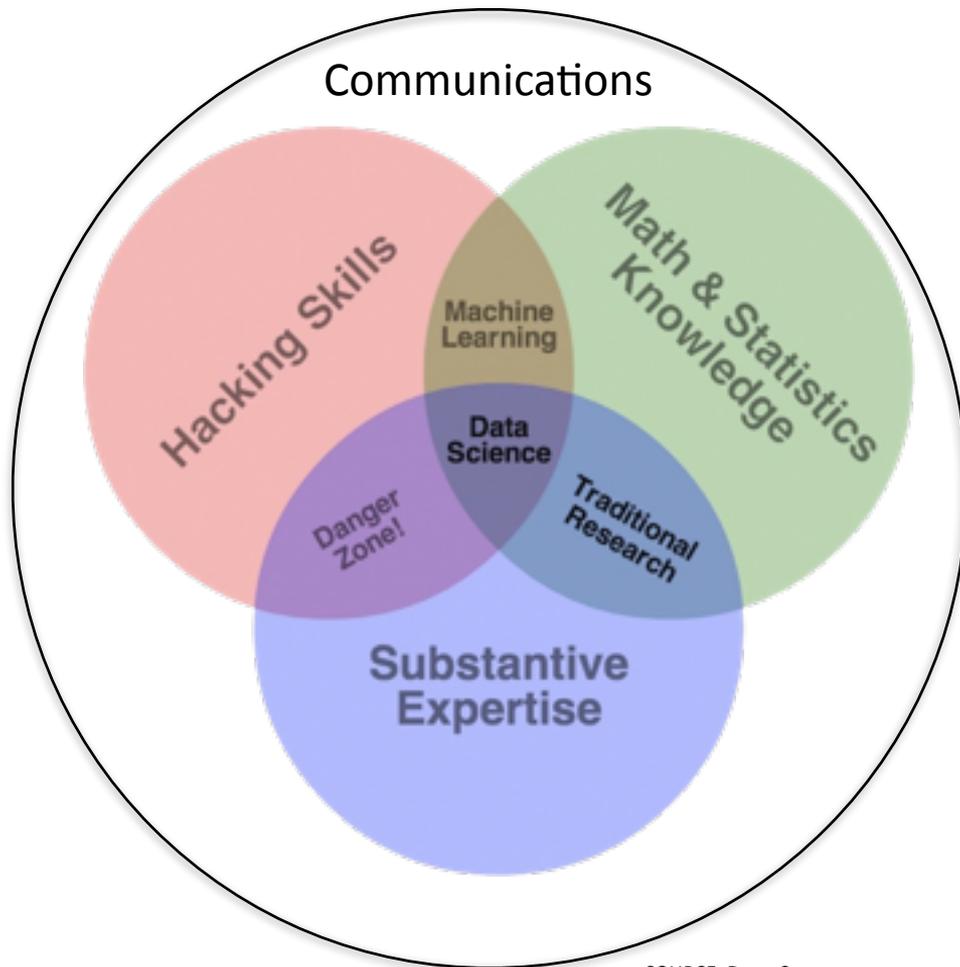


# [Security] Data Science is...

a shift from security as opinions and blind  
“best practice” towards **security as a science**.

- ◆ Are insiders more of a threat than external actors?
- ◆ Should new patches take precedence over old?
- ◆ Where should I invest my security budget?
- ◆ (question the stuff that can actually make a difference)

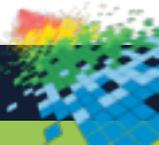


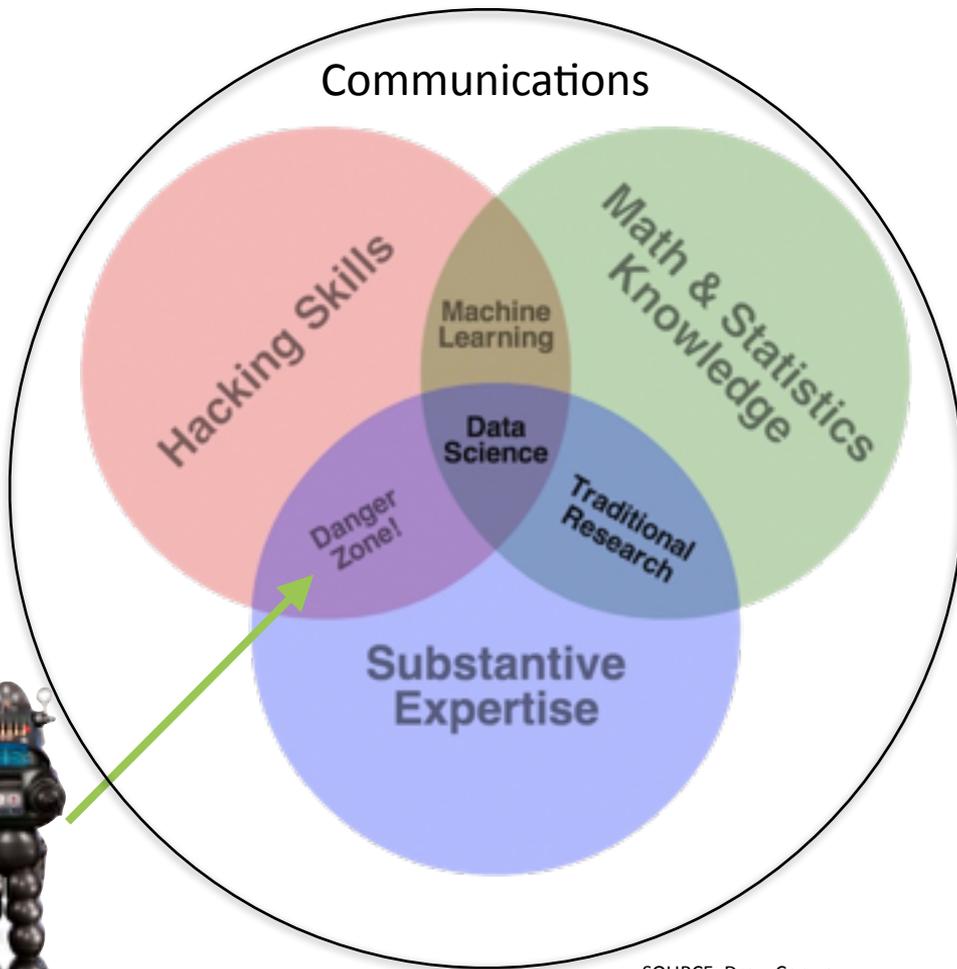


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## Basic Process

- Form a [Research] Question
- Acquire & “clean” data
- Analyze Data
- Examine Outcomes
- Visualize & Communicate Results
- Lather, rinse, repeat

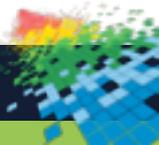




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## Danger Zone Process

- Get some (any/convenient) data
- COUNT ALL THE THINGS
- Make a dashboard / PowerPoint

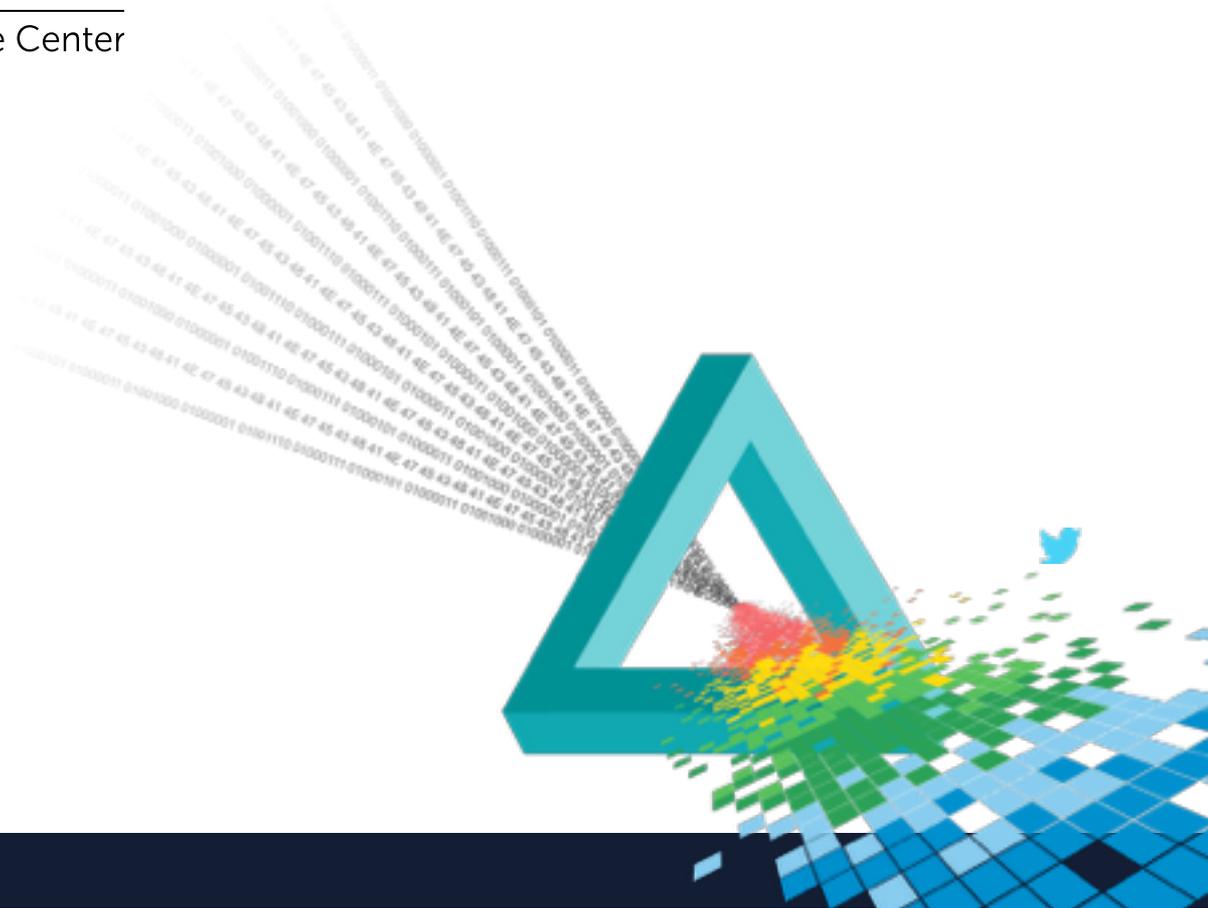


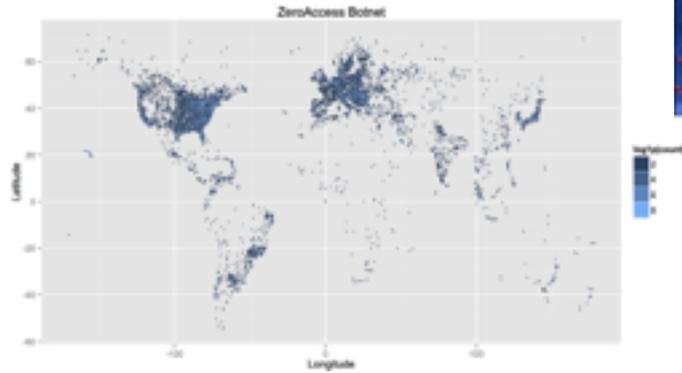
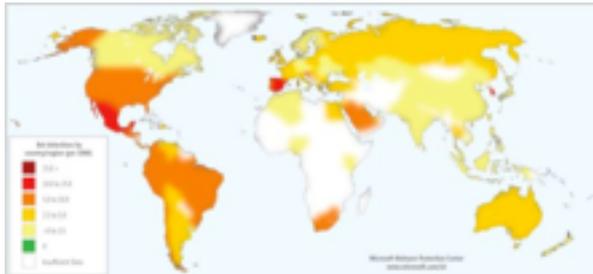
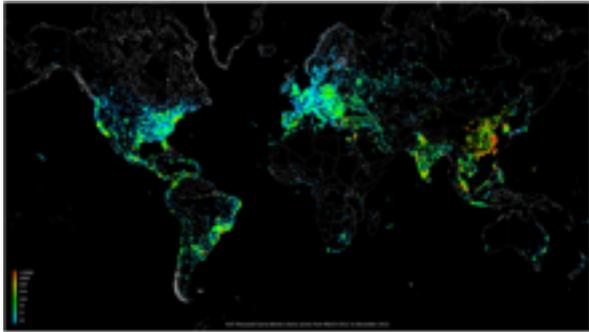
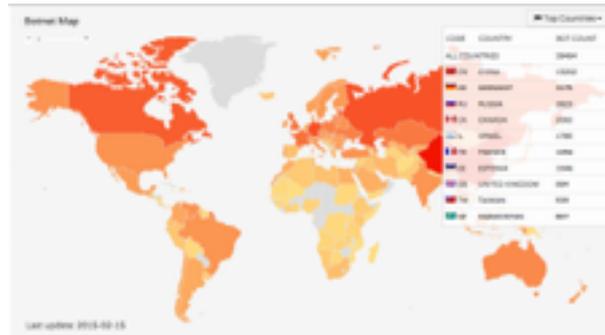
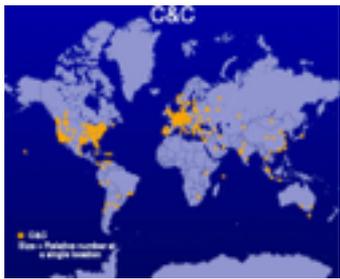
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## Finding Your Way In IPv4 Space



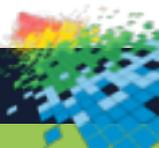


# Representation of IPv4 Space

- ◆ IPv4 address
  - ◆ 32-bit integer canonically represented by 4 octets (“10.20.30.40”)
  - ◆ Fits inside a subnet (“10.20.30.0/24”) which is nothing more than a range of 32-bit integers
  - ◆ **We can use this to come up with a better way of assigning “latitude” and “longitude”**
- ◆ On the internet, IPv4 blocks are allocated to regional registries, grouped into Autonomous System (AS) numbers
  - ◆ These registries then assign AS numbers to organizations
  - ◆ **We can use this instead of (or along with) “country” & “city”**



*But first, we need some old-school math*

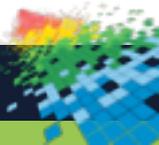


# Visual Representation of IPv4 Space

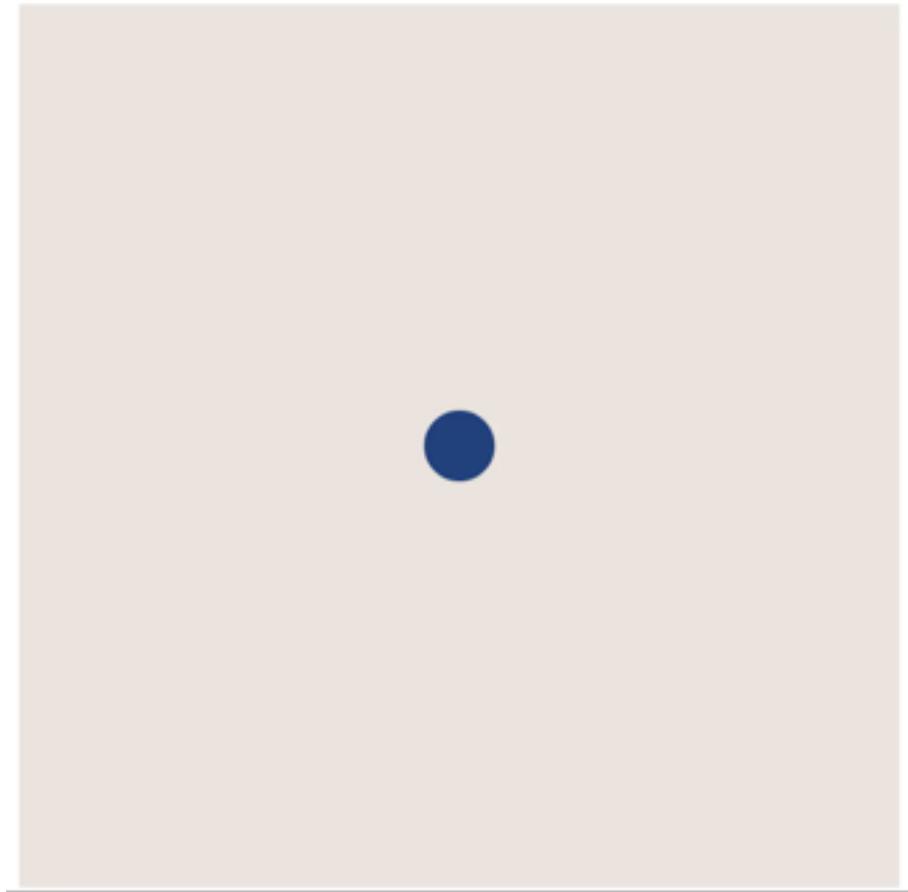
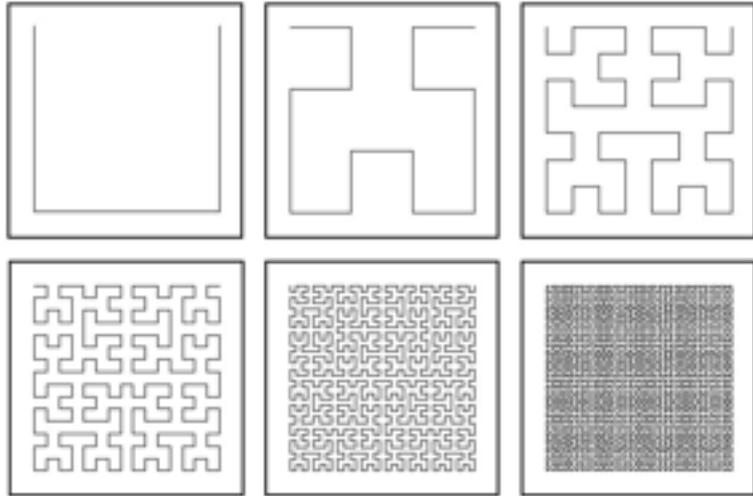
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David Hilbert



# Hilbert Curves



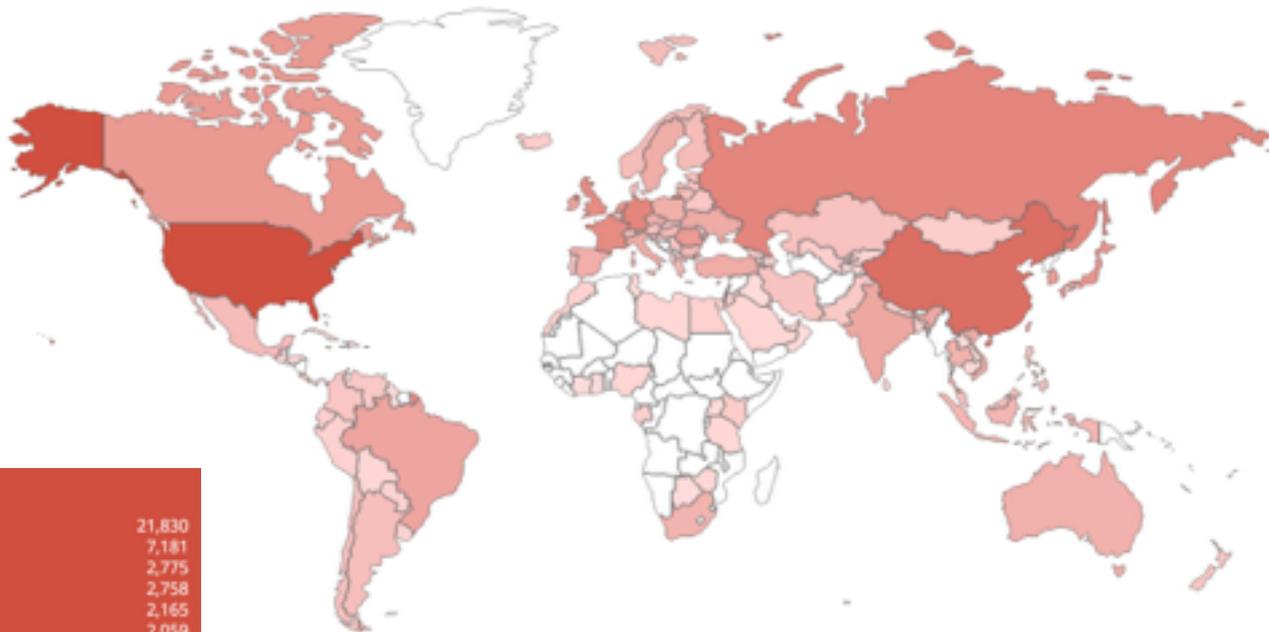
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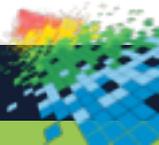
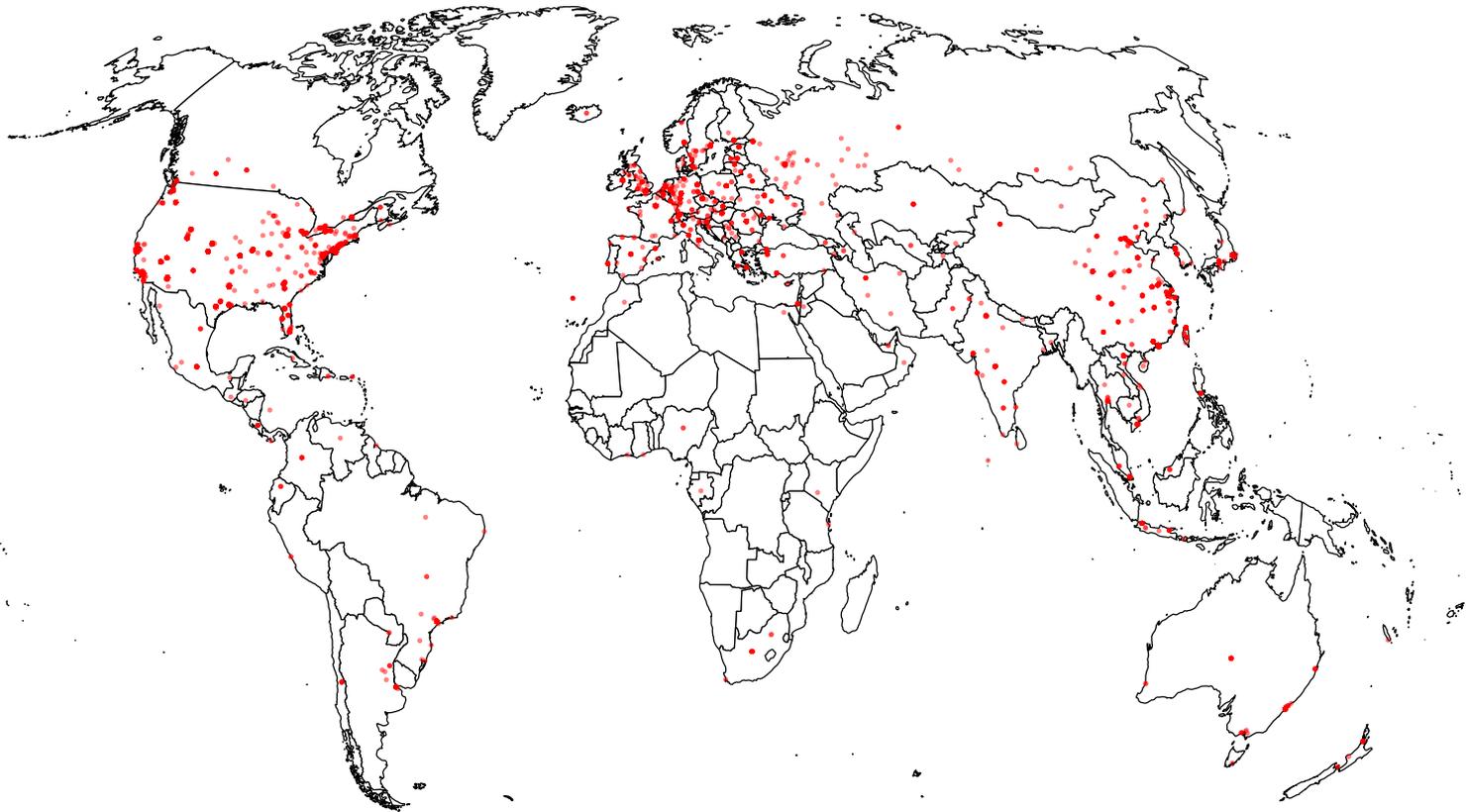


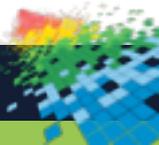
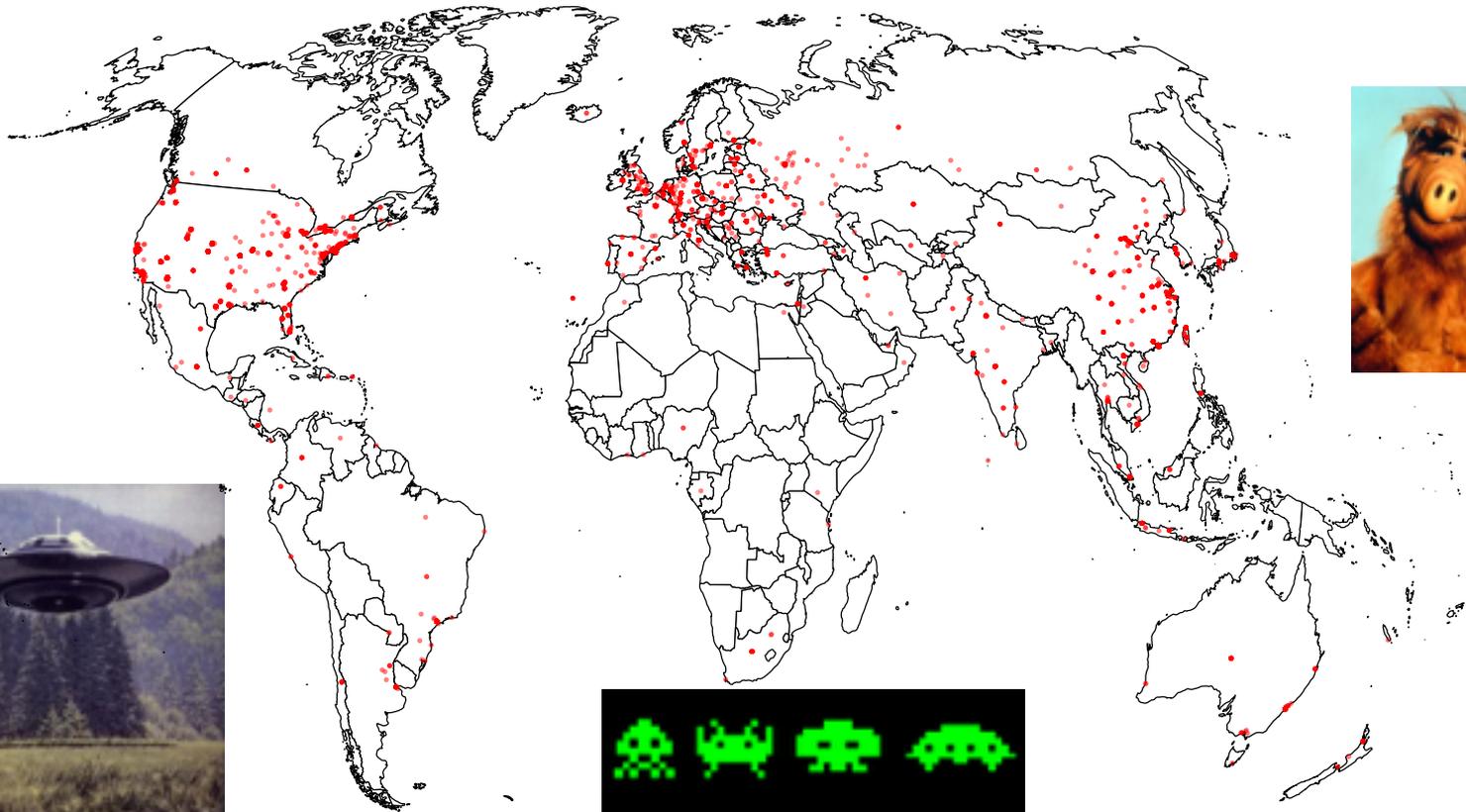
**Top Countries**

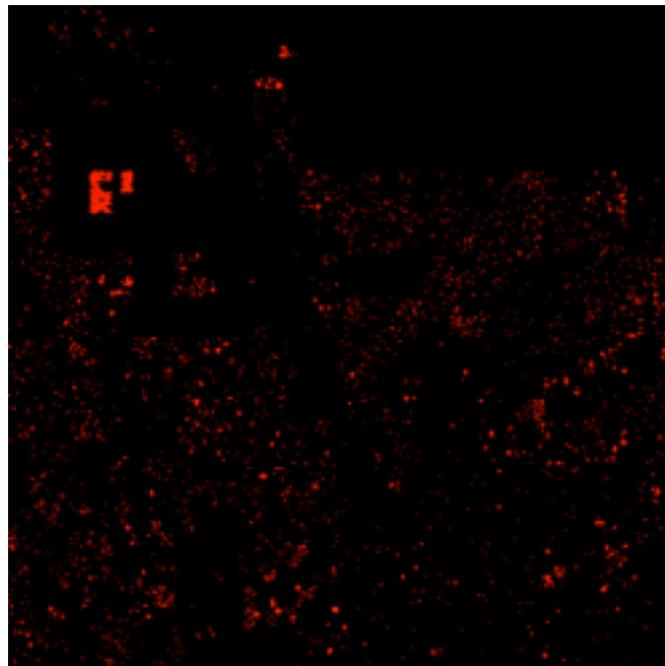
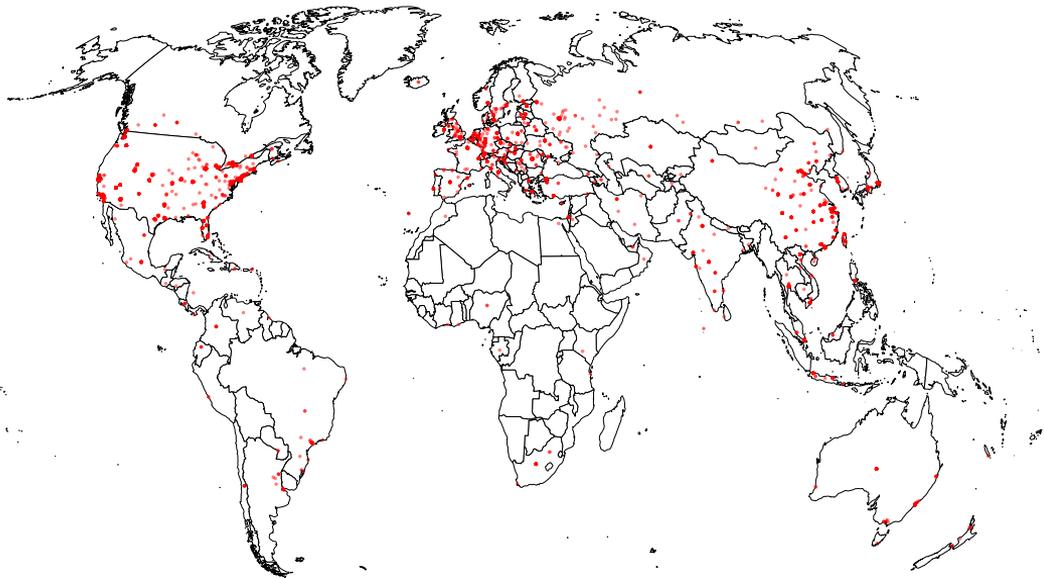
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2. China	7,181
3. Russian Federation	2,775
4. Germany	2,758
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8. Netherlands	1,304
9. Canada	997
10. Romania	920

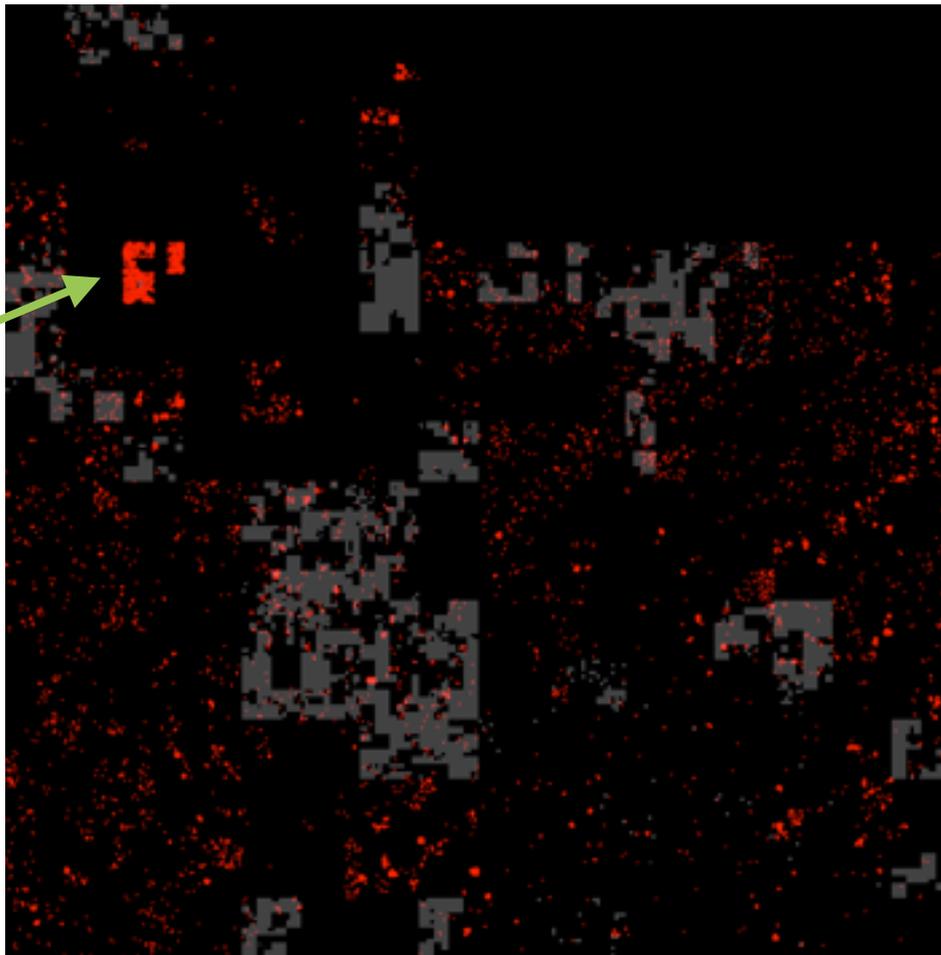
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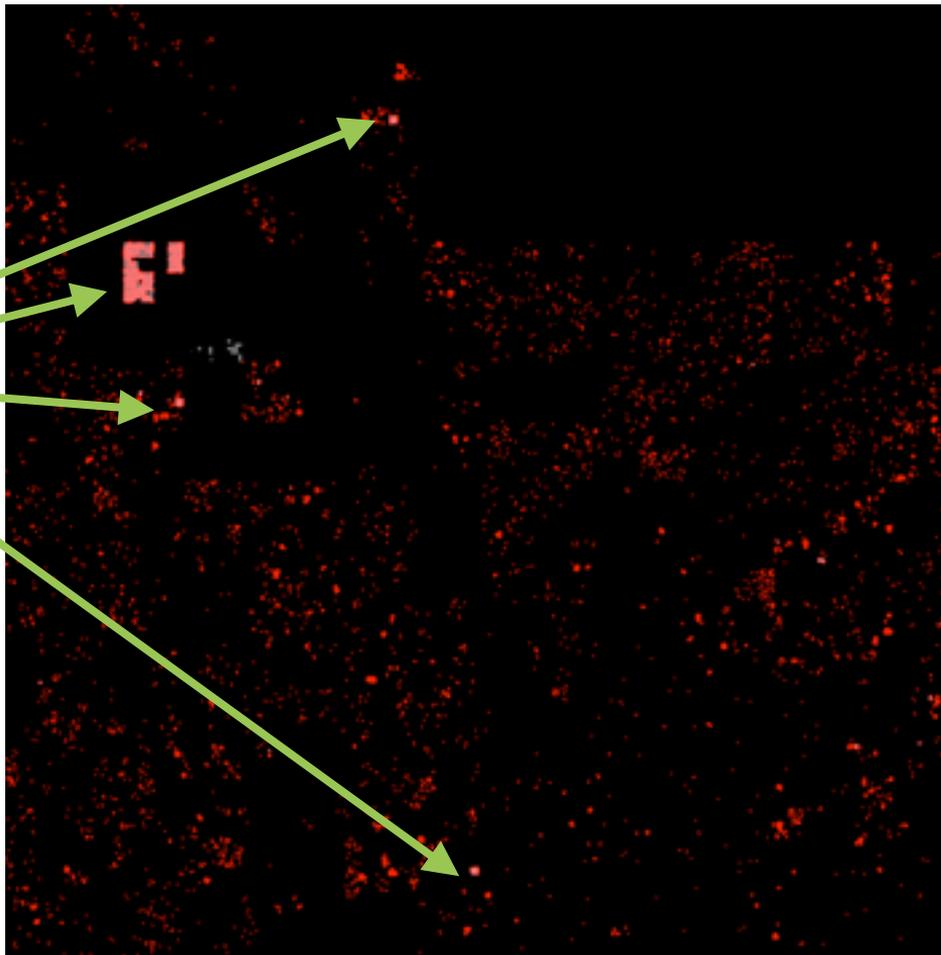




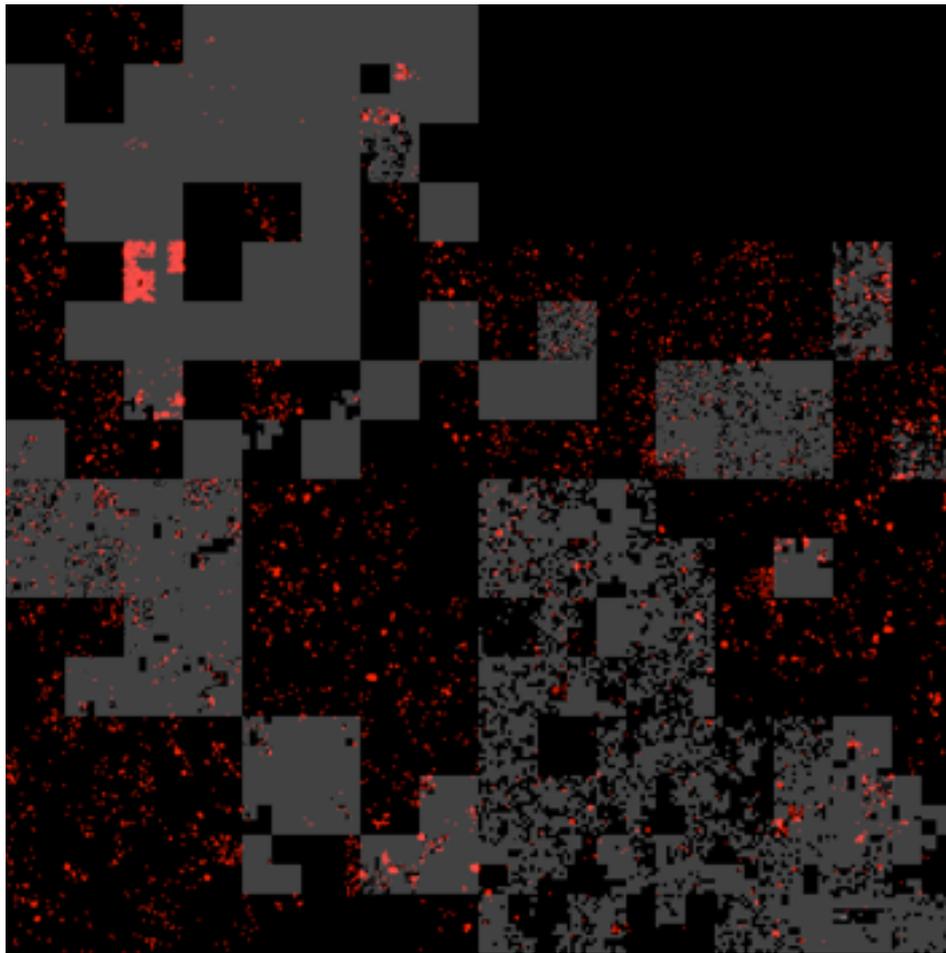


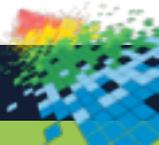
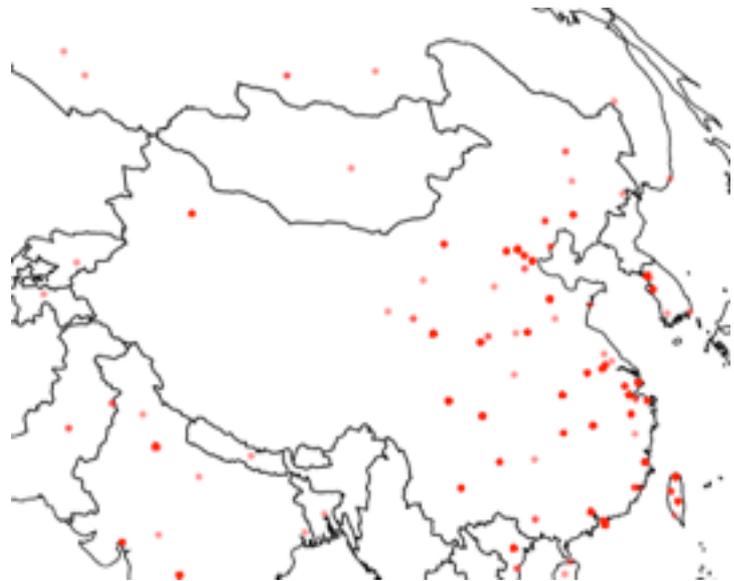
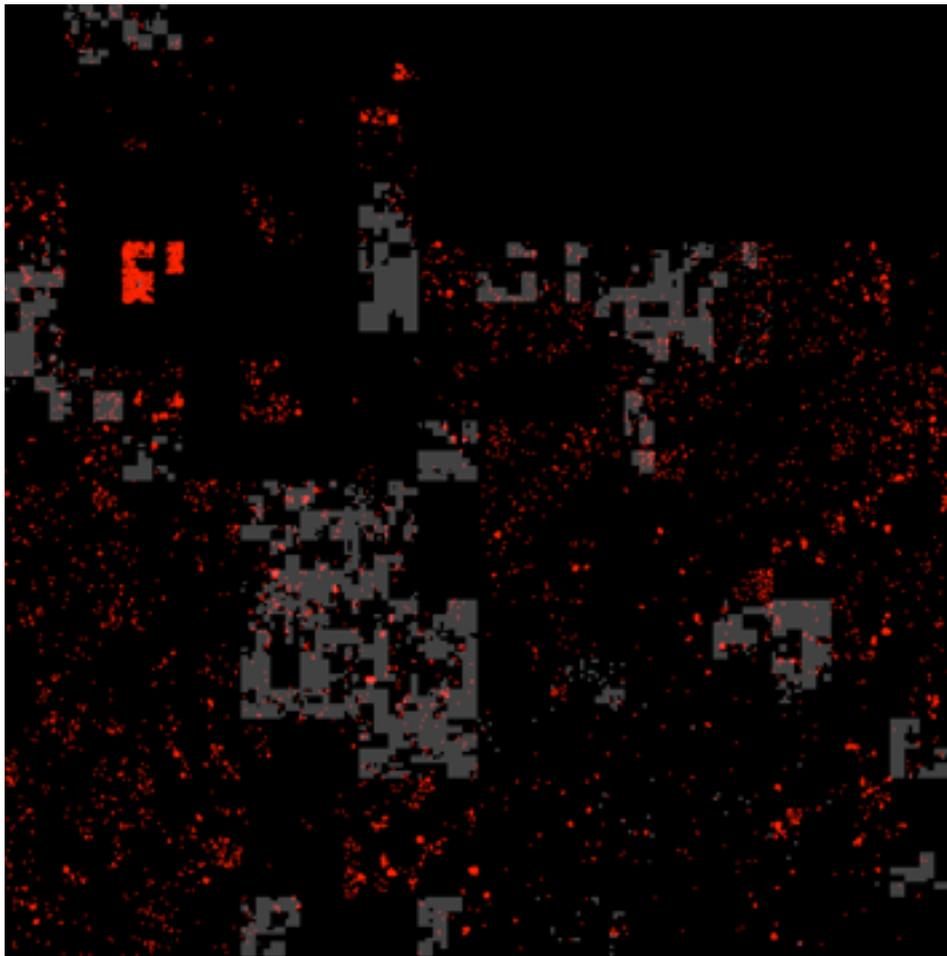
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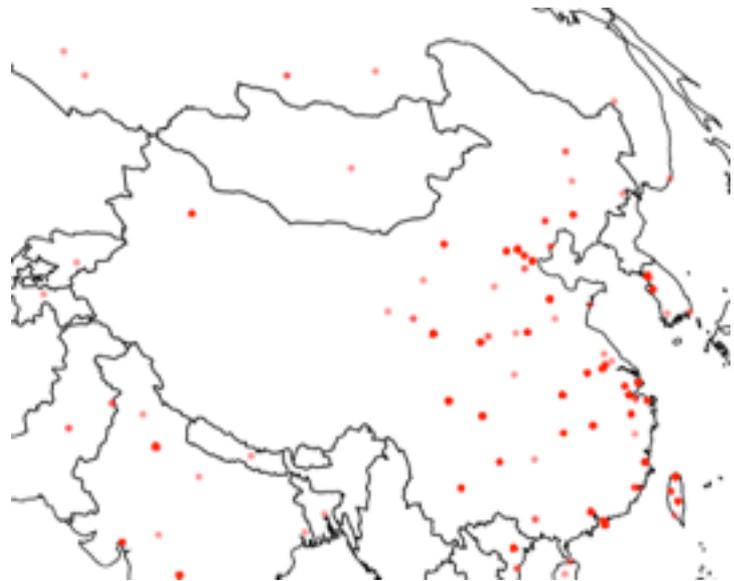
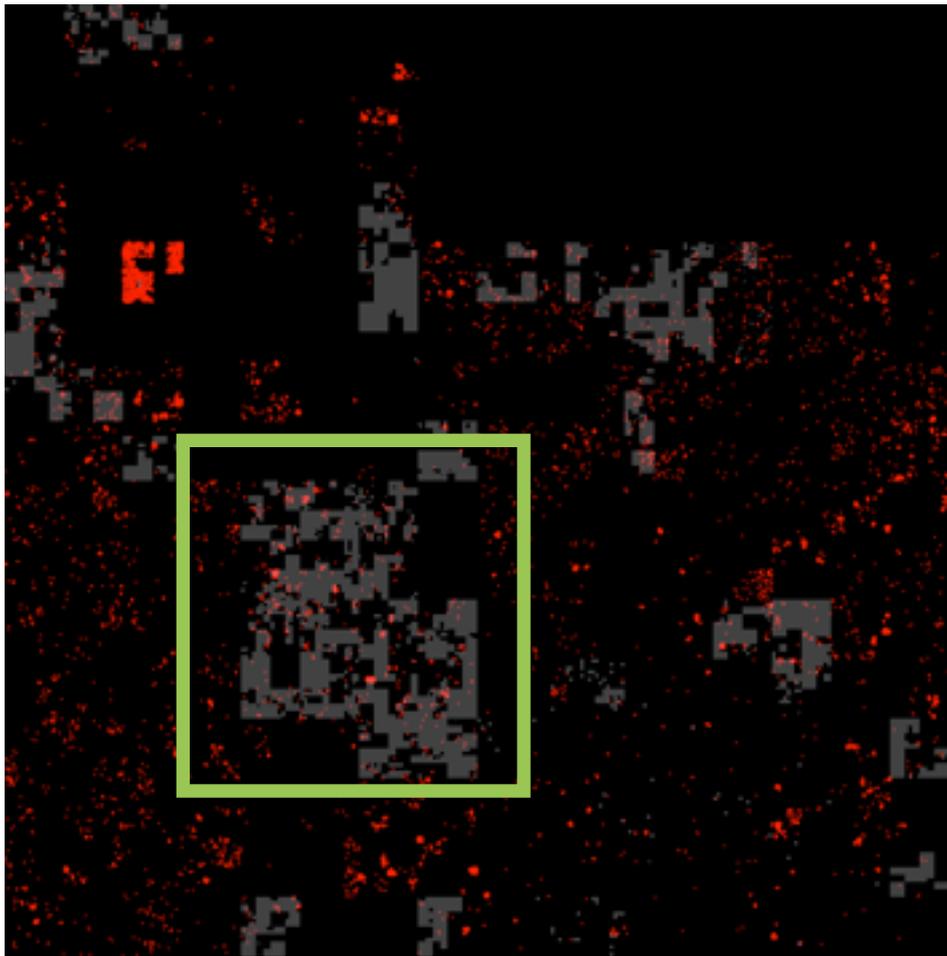


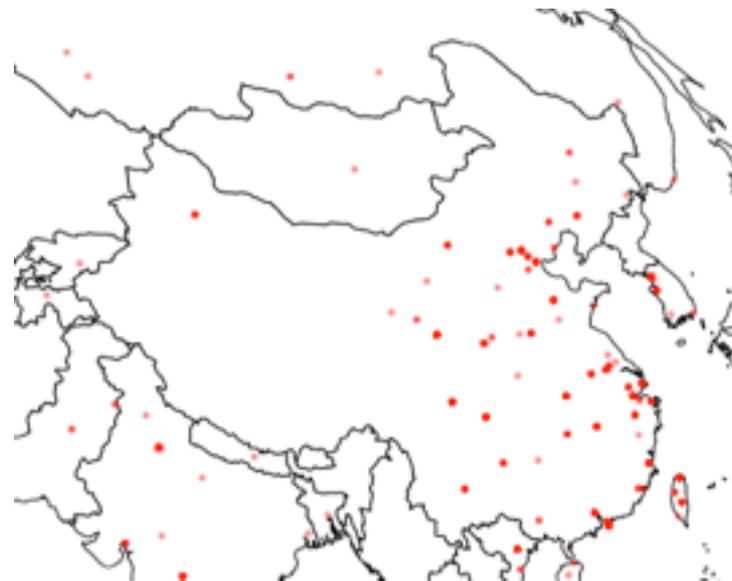
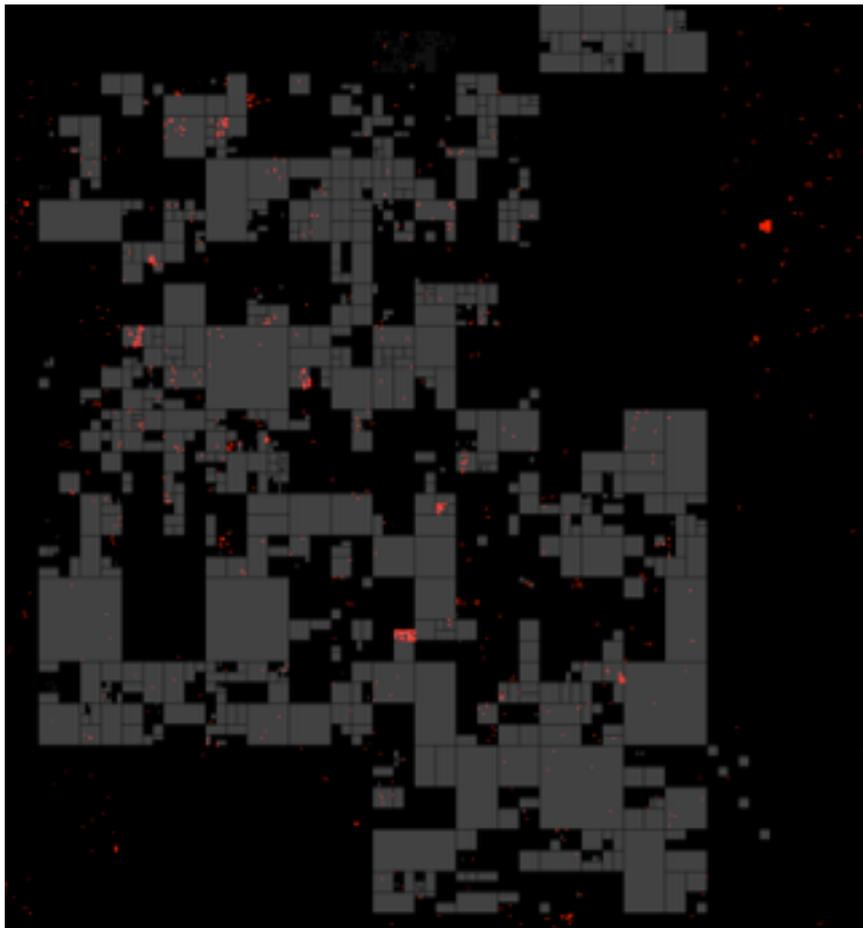


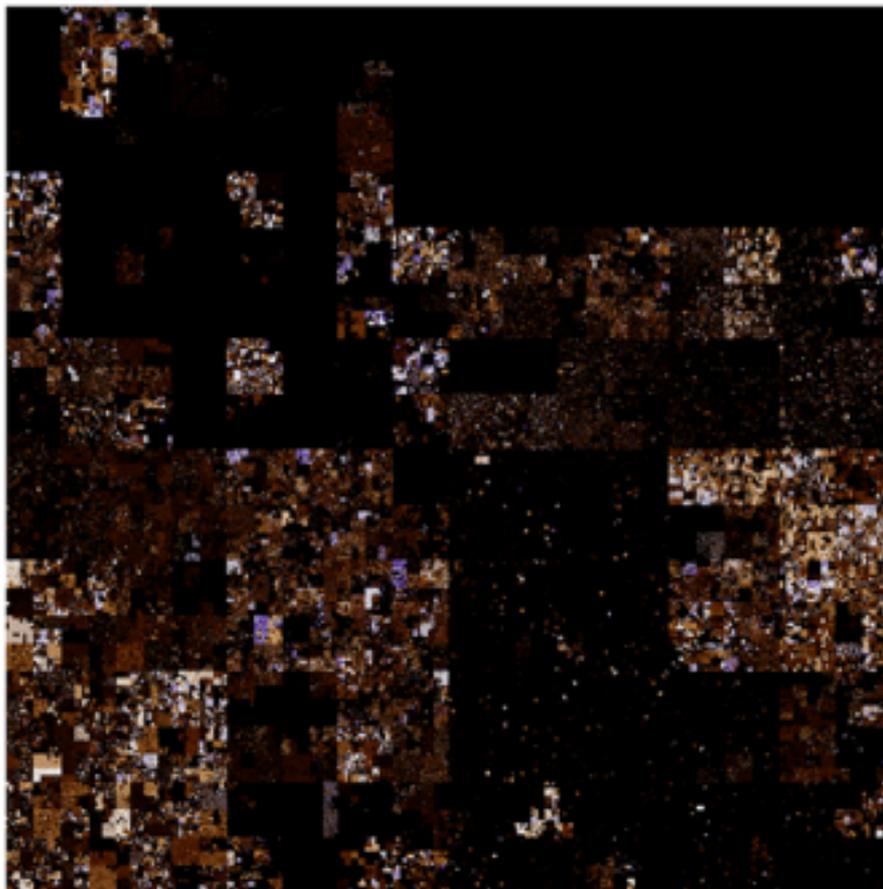




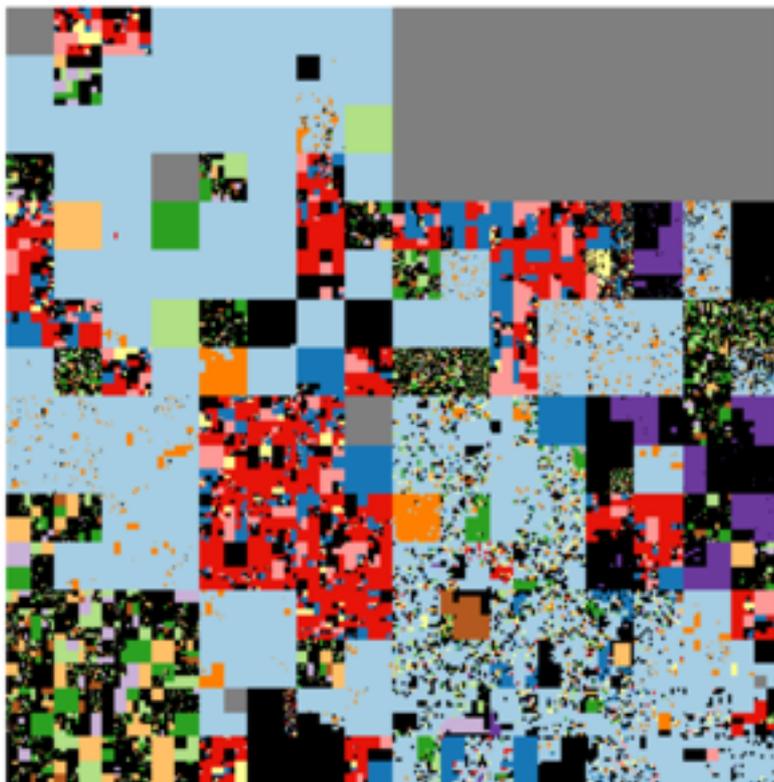








## Top 12 Countries of the Internet



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Mousewheel up/down over the canvas  
to zoom in to/out from that location.

Select country to remove it from the Hilbert map

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Country CIDR data sourced from

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Hilbert IPv4 heatmap generated in R

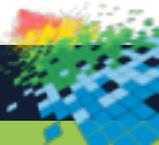
with [ip4heatmap](#) package.A [primer on Hilbert IPv4 maps](#)<http://bit.ly/ipv4hilvis>

# So What?

- ◆ Visual cue for unusual hotspots
- ◆ Get a handle on the home front
- ◆ Impress your colleagues by saying “12th-order Hilbert curve”

## TRY THIS AT HOME!

- ◆ <https://github.com/vz-risk/ipv4heatmap>
- ◆ <http://maps.measurement-factory.com/software/ipv4-heatmap.1.html>



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## Insight from Regression



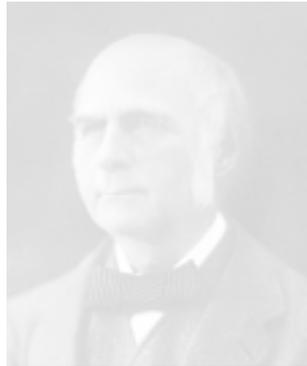
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Carl Frederic  
Gauss (1809)



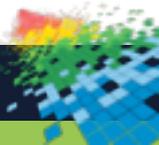
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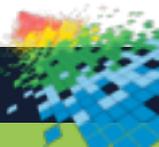
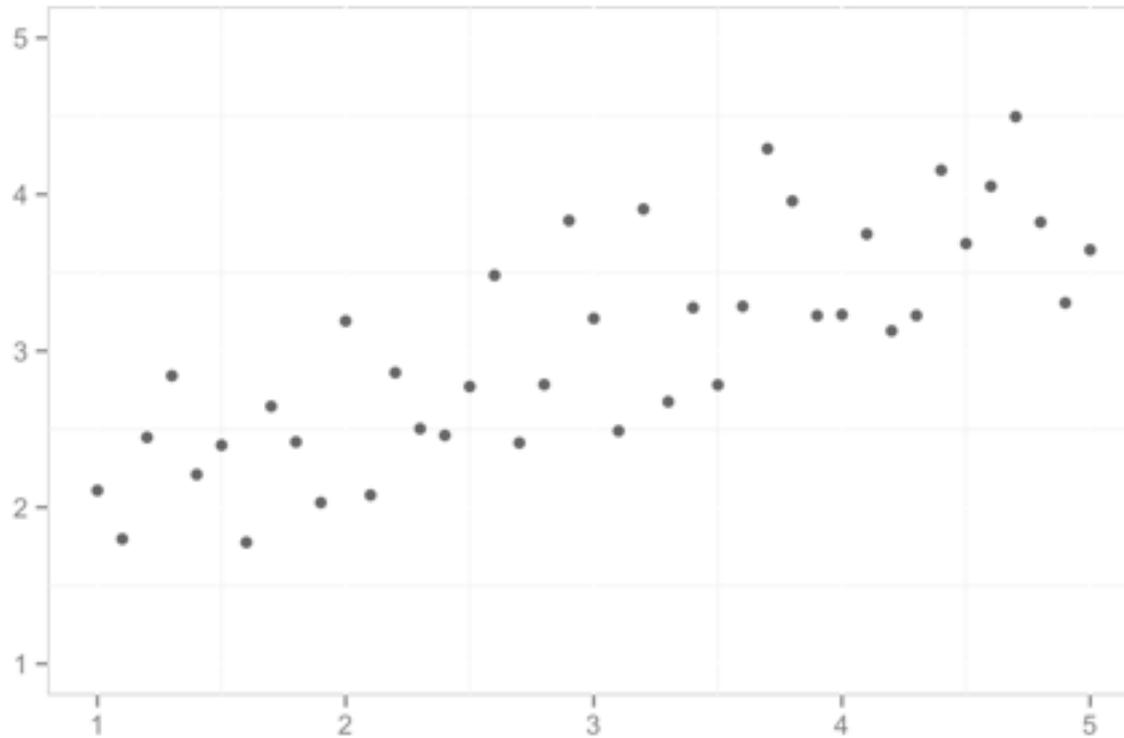
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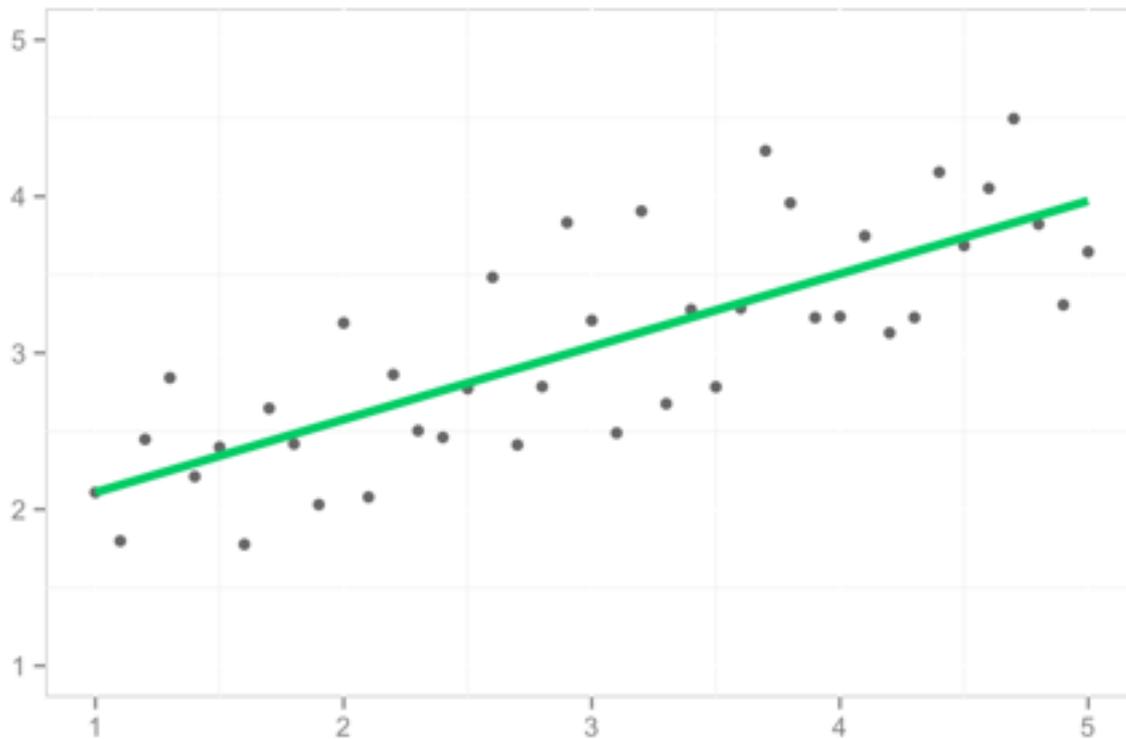
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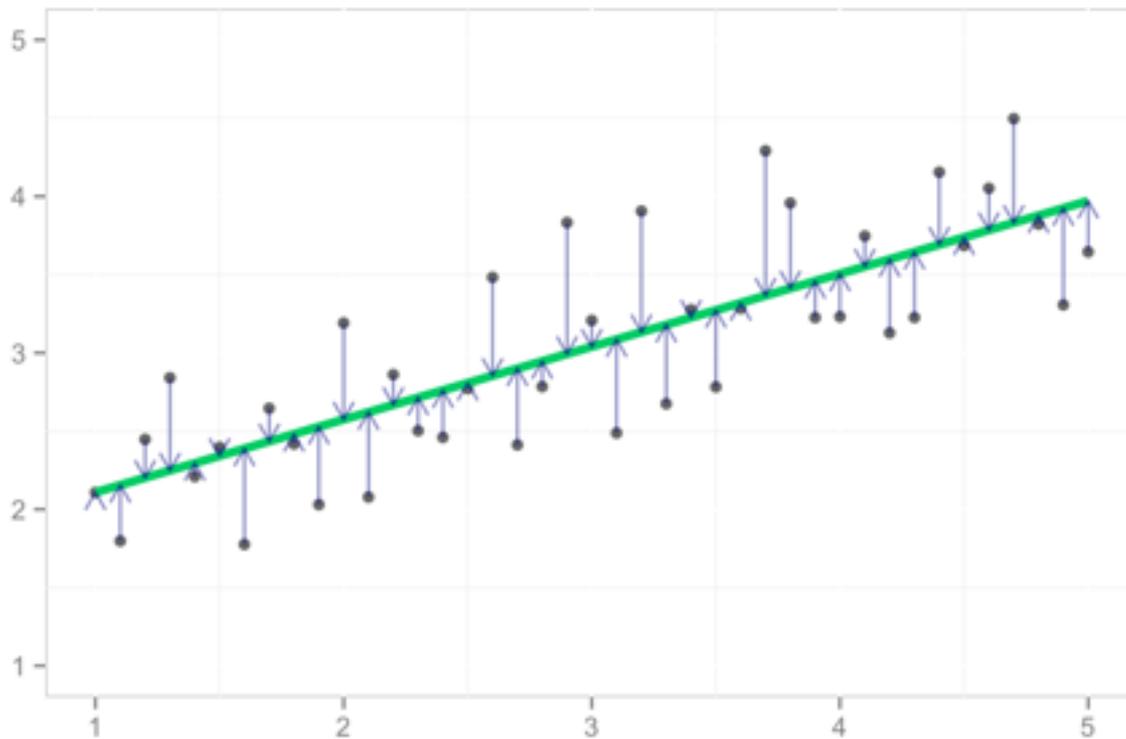
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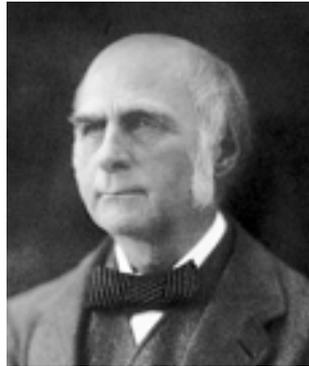
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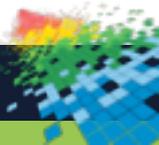
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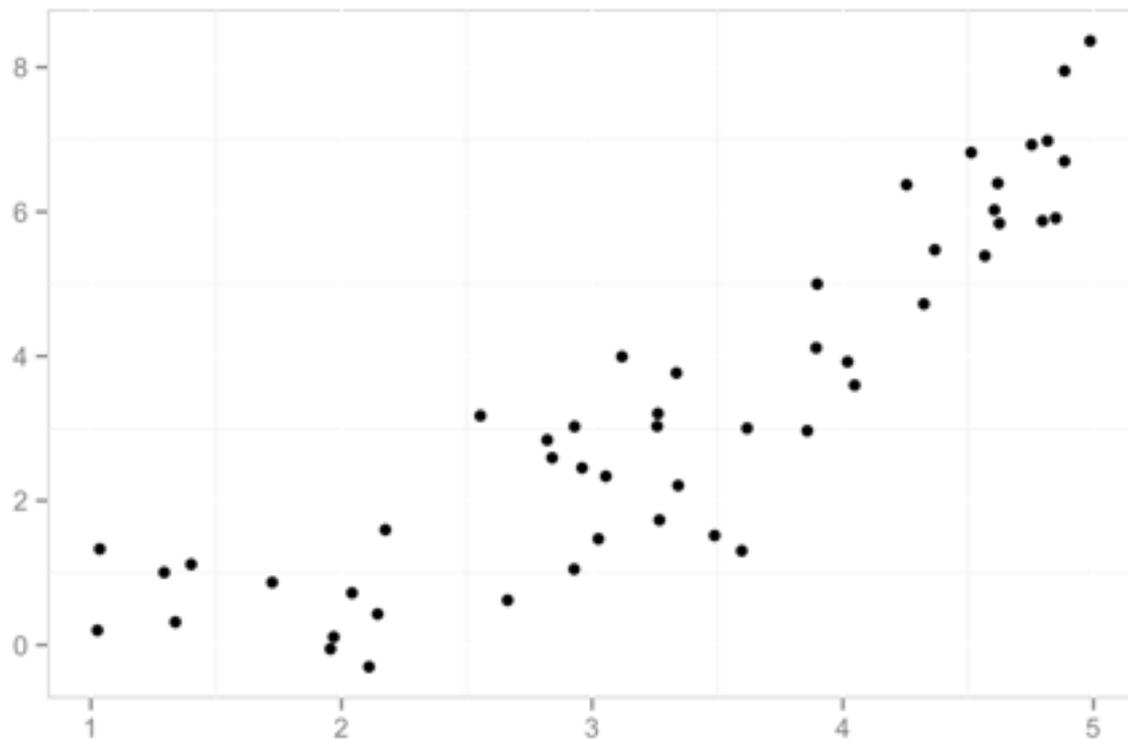
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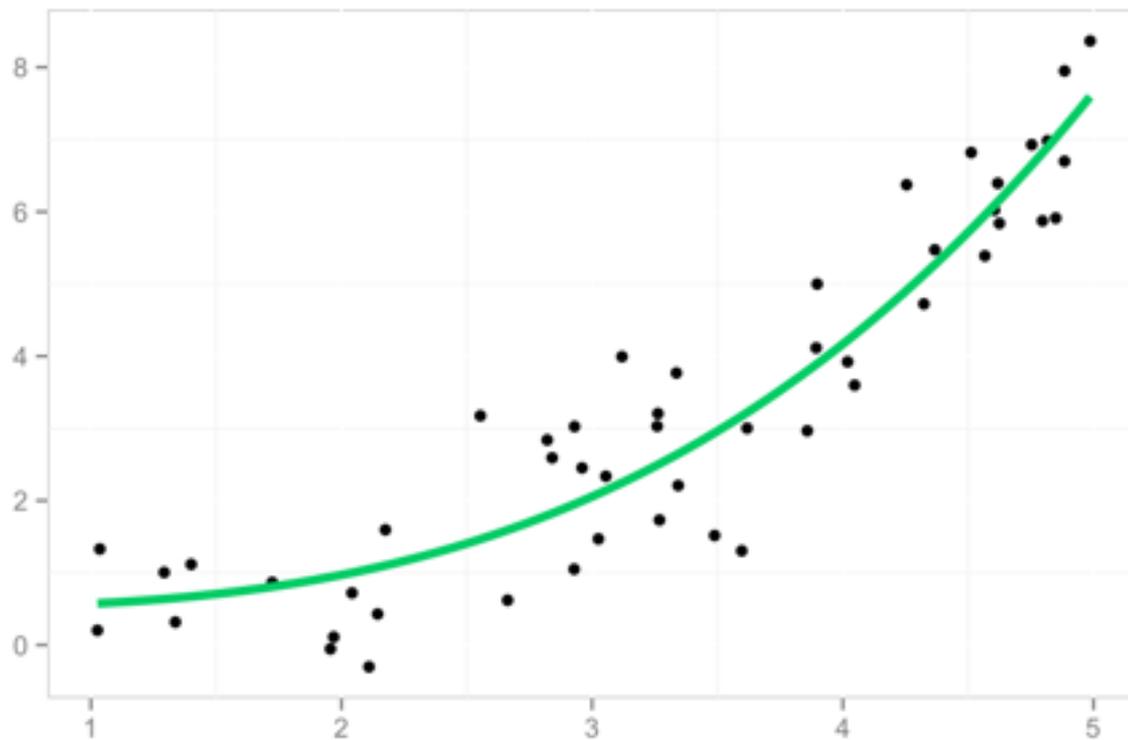
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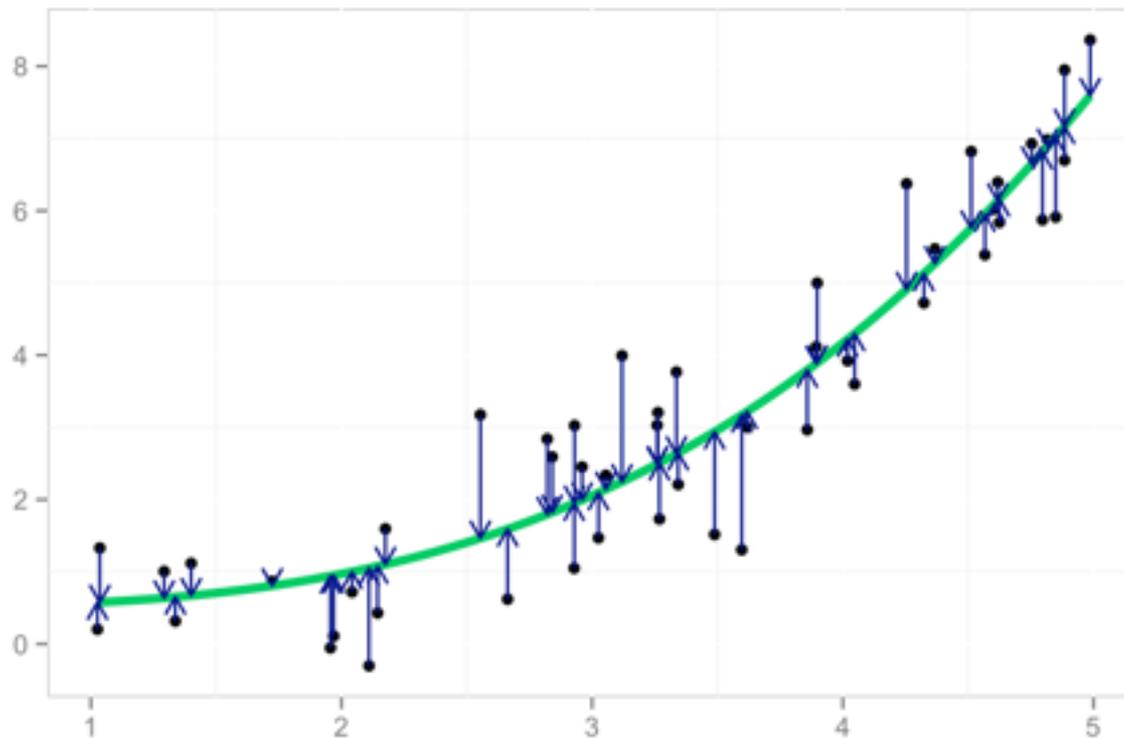
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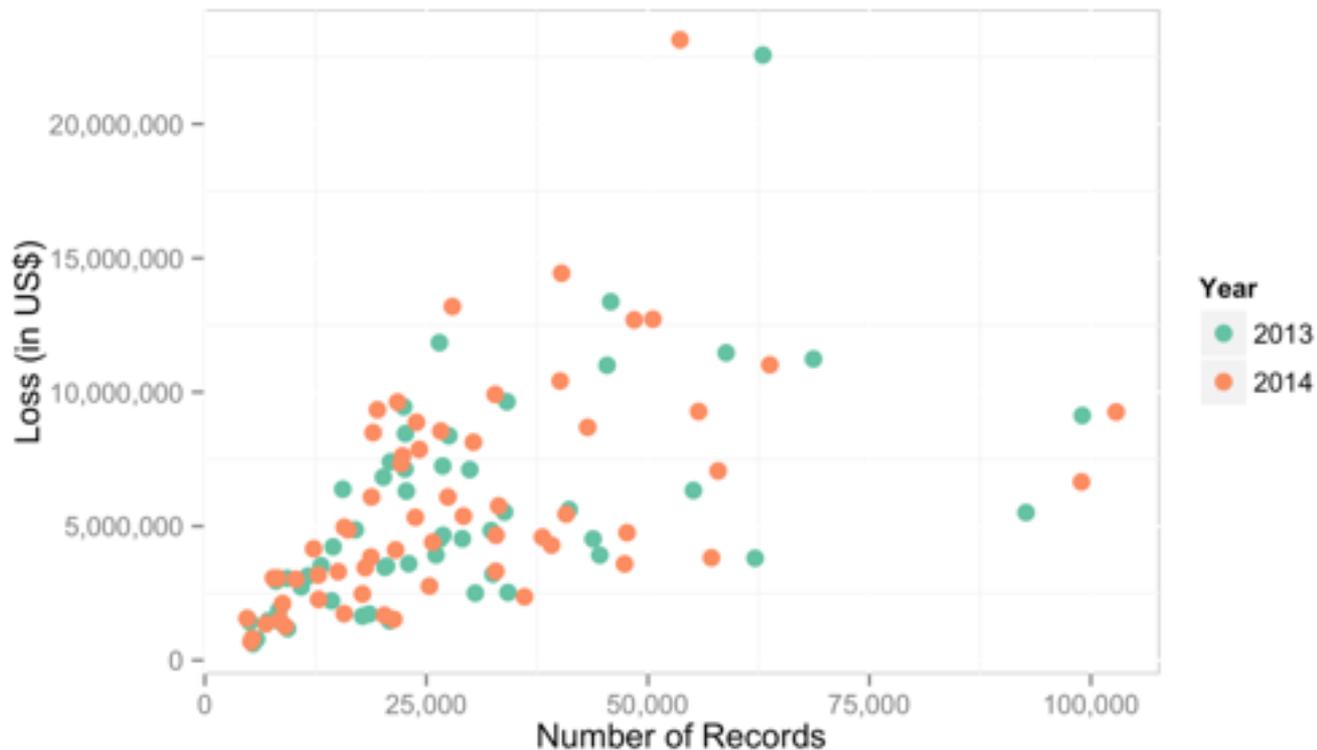
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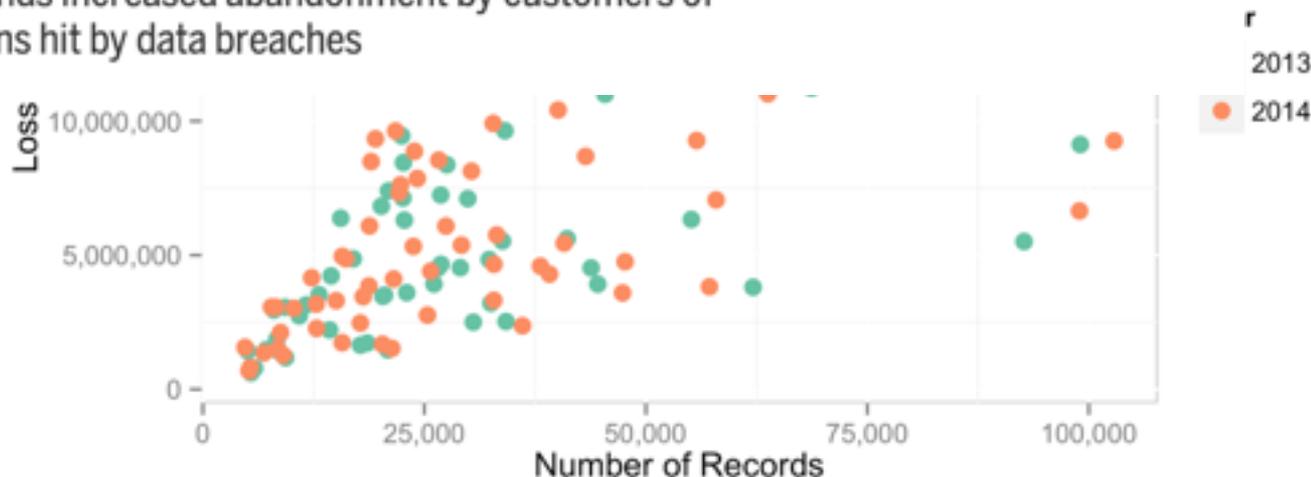




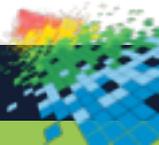
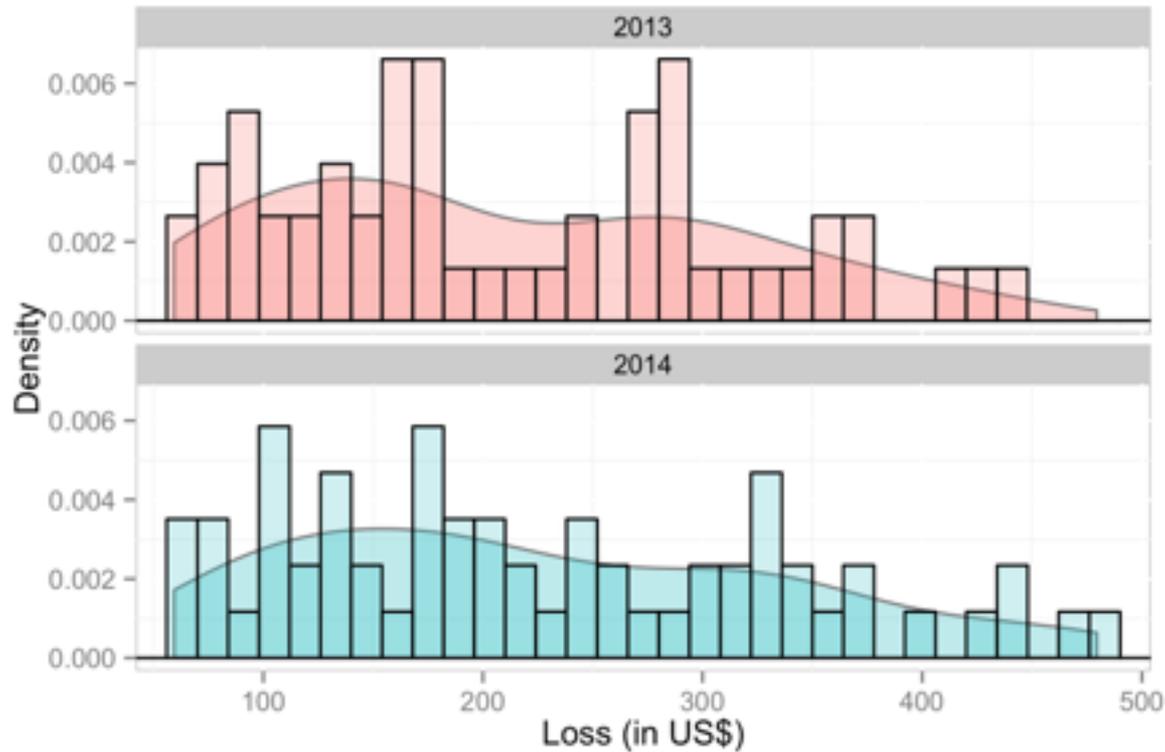
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## Data breaches 9% more costly in 2013 than year before

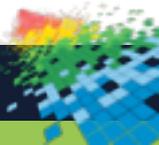
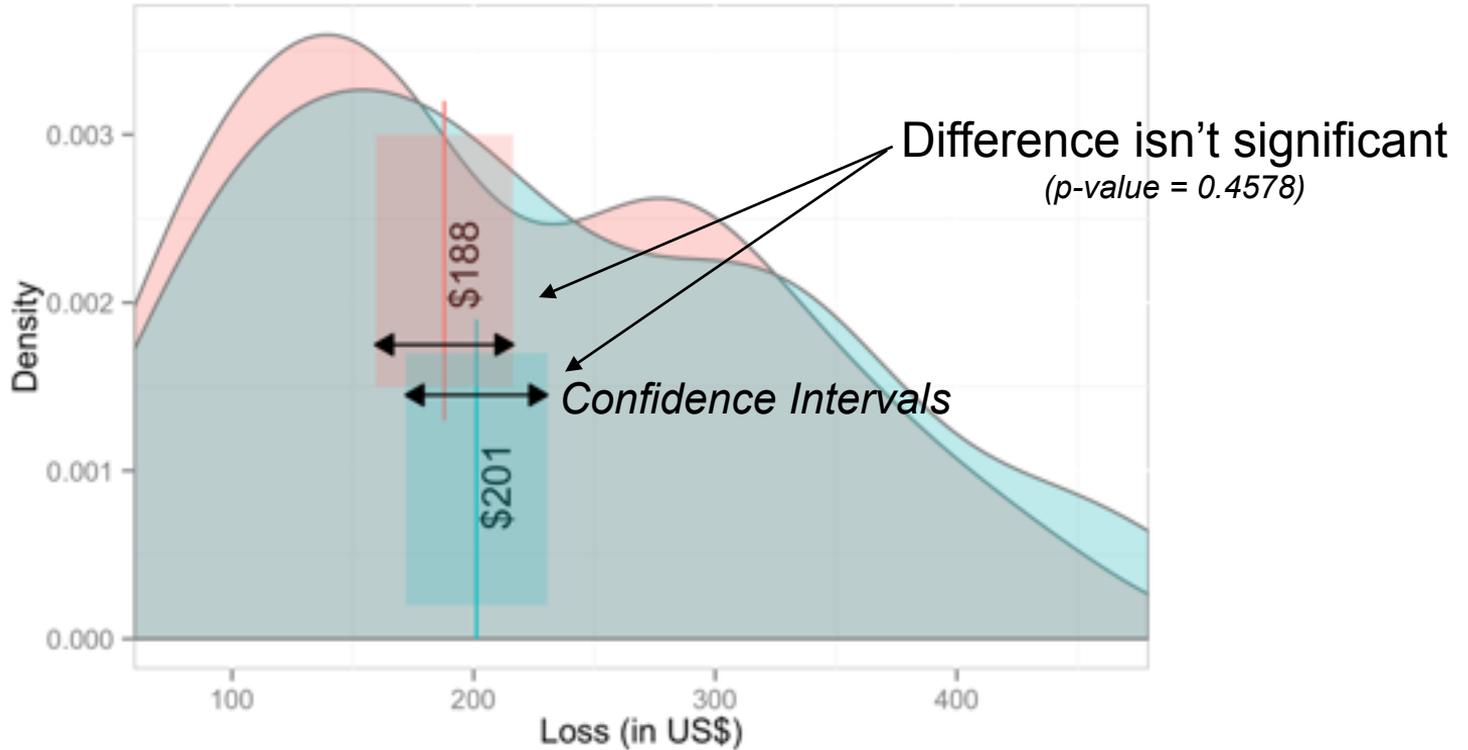
Ponemon finds increased abandonment by customers of organizations hit by data breaches



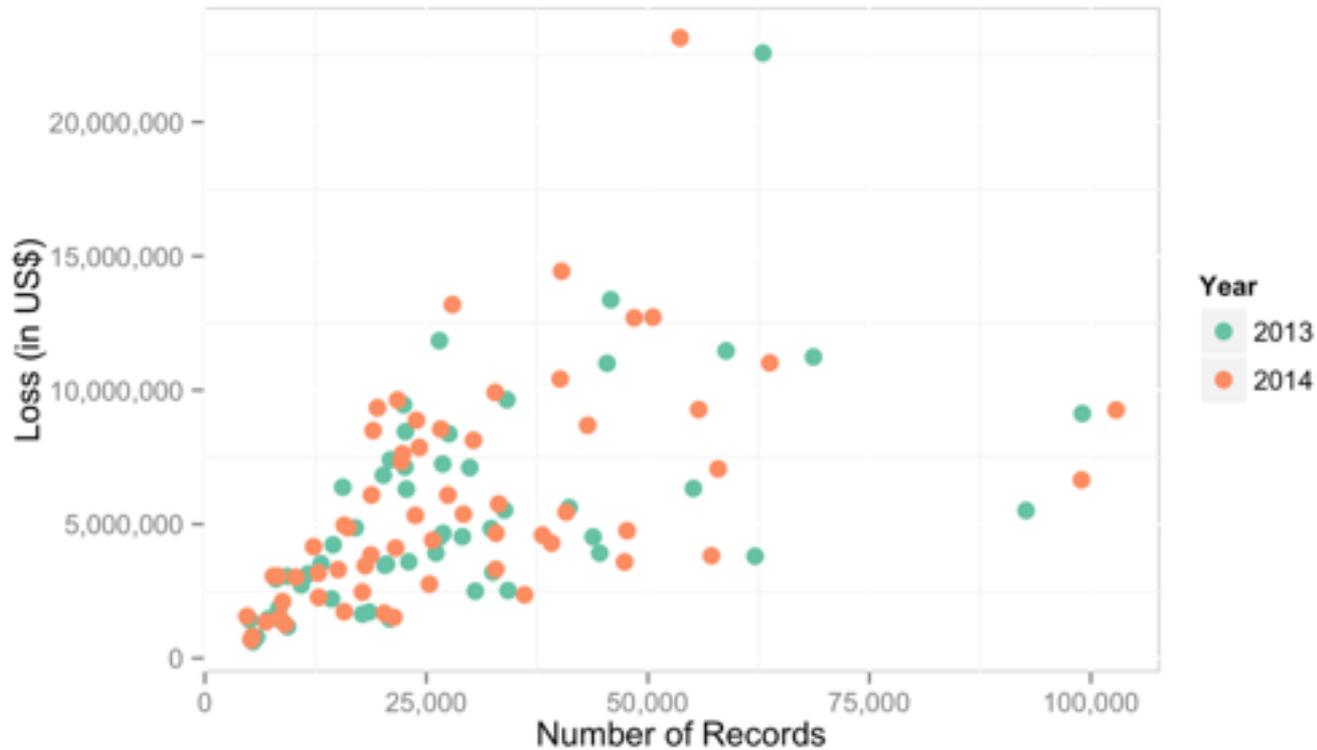
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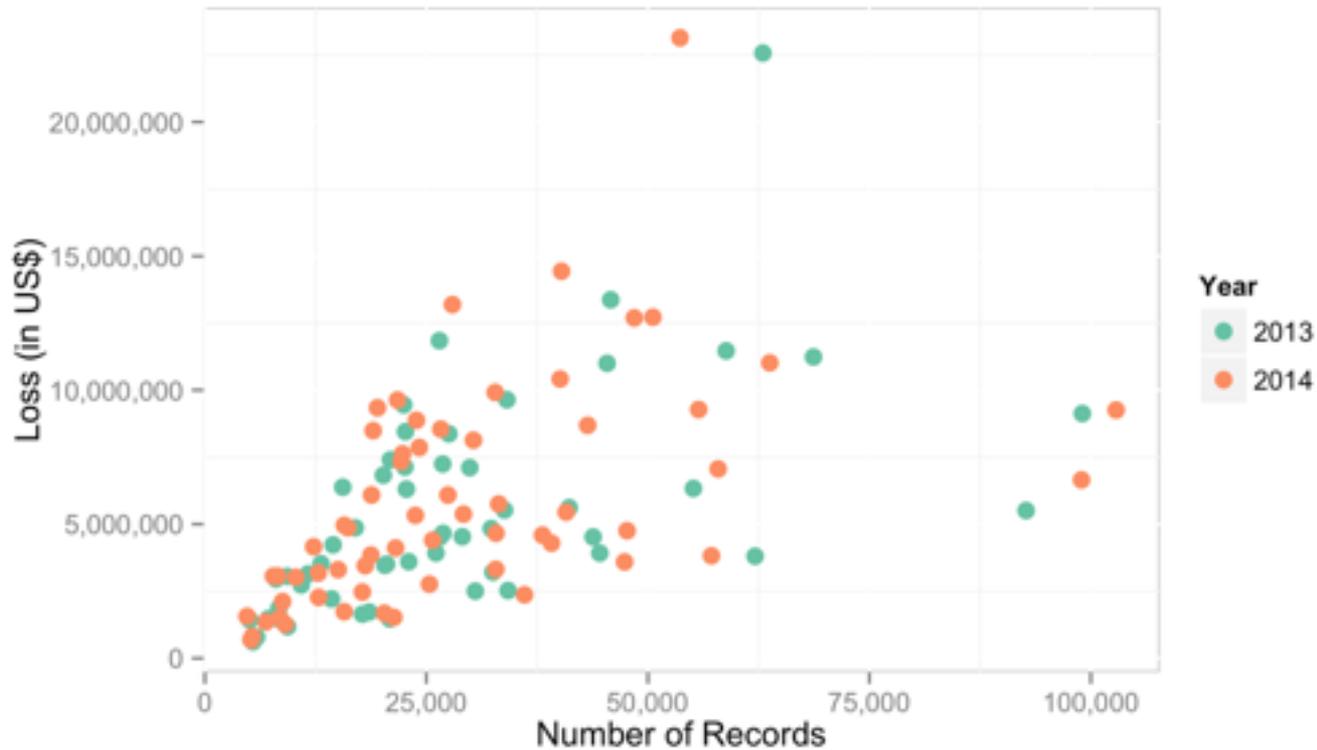
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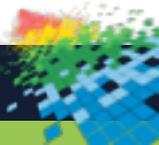
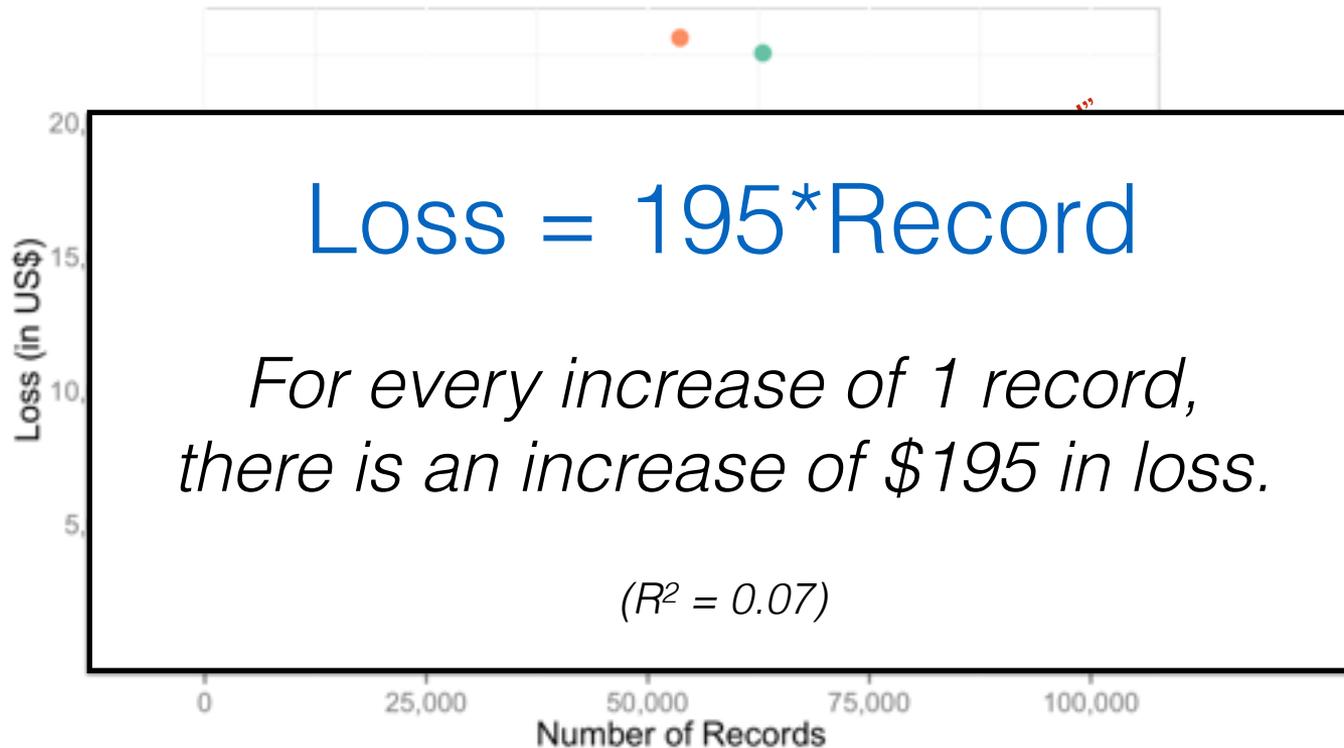
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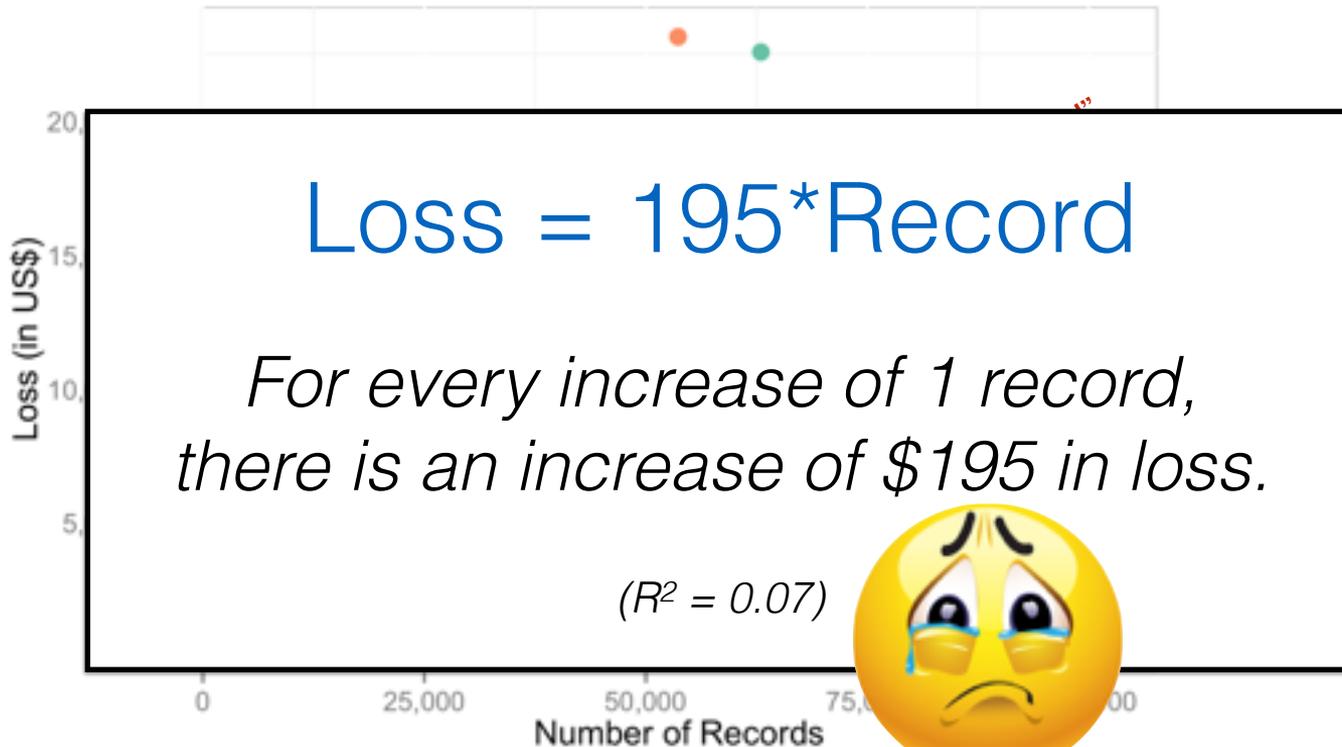
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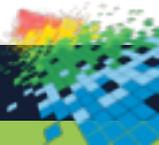
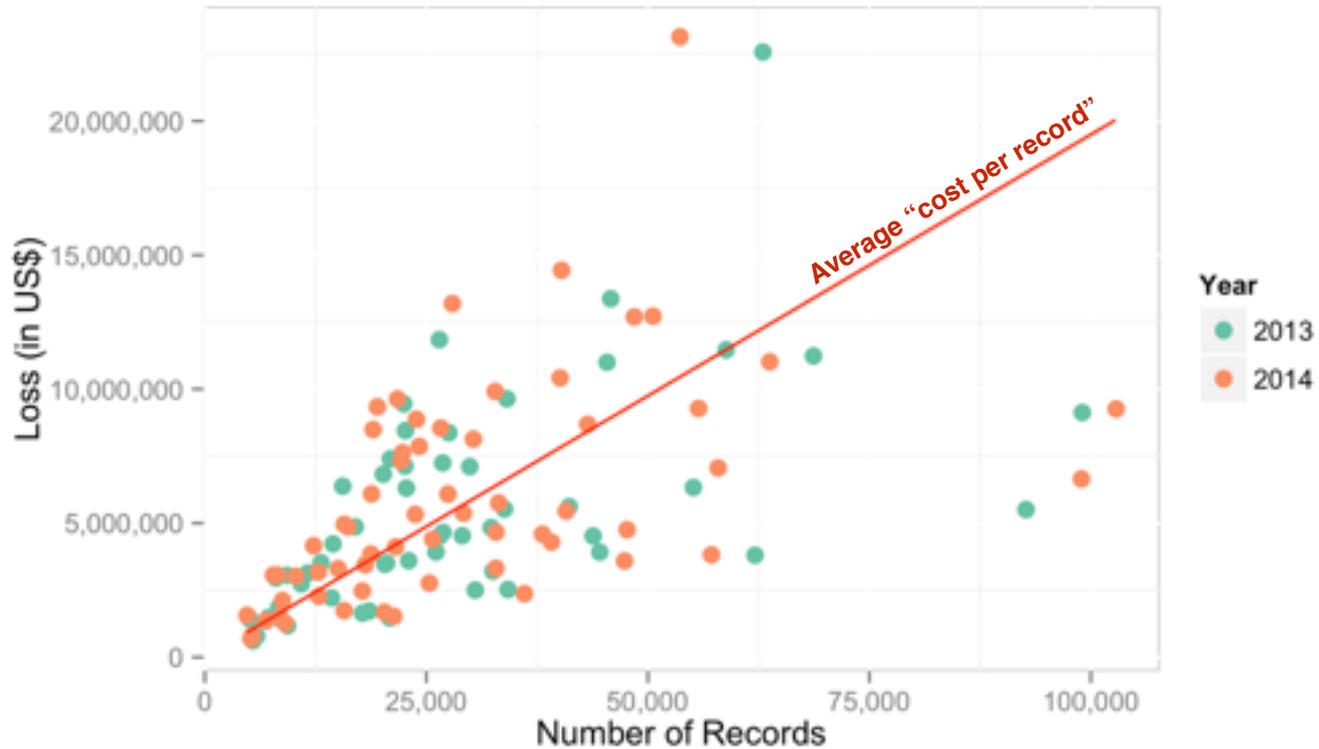
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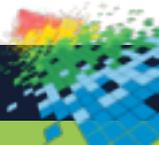
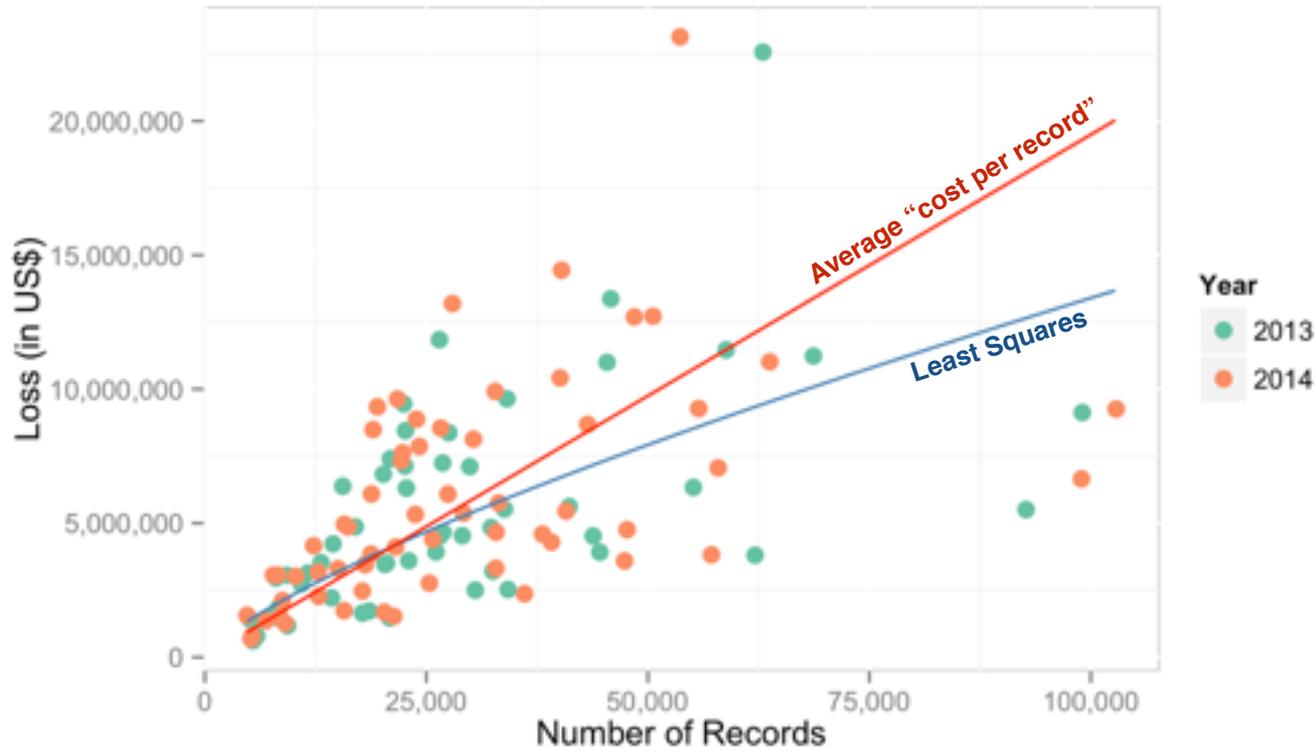
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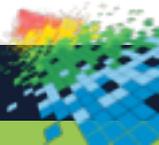
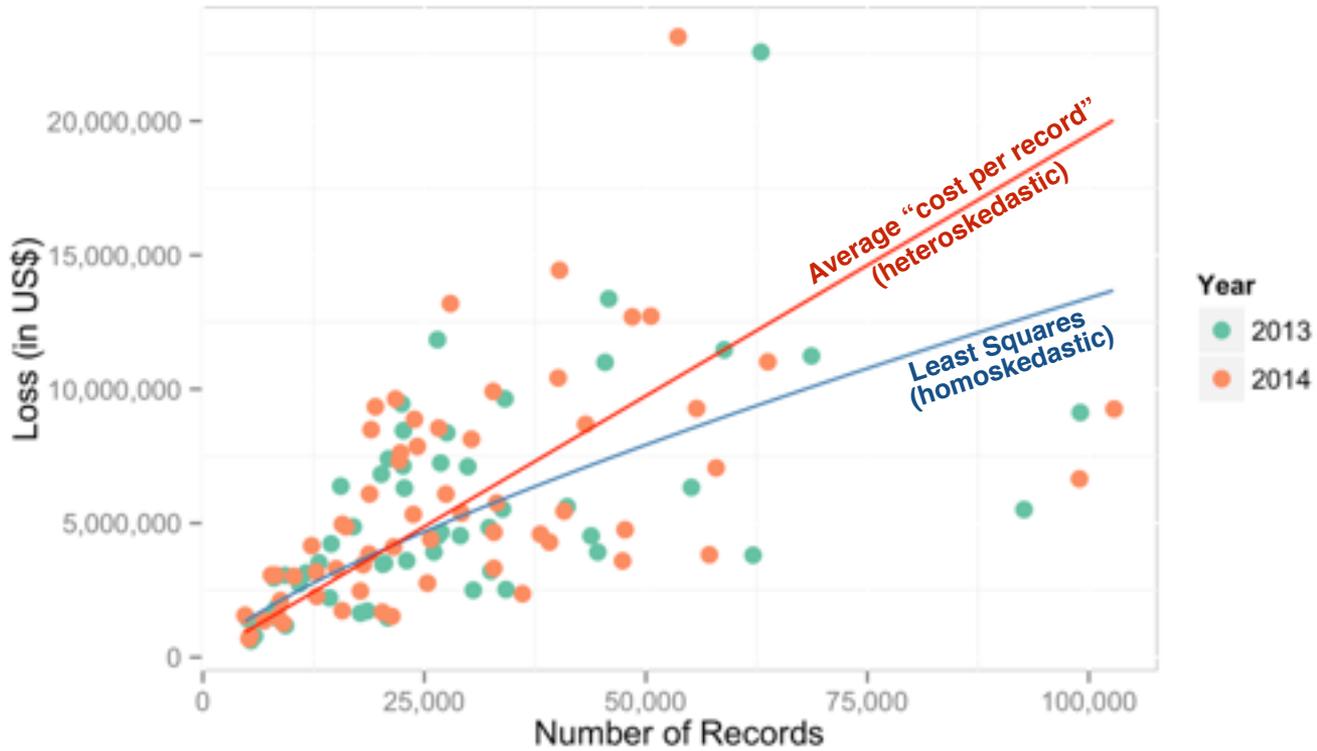
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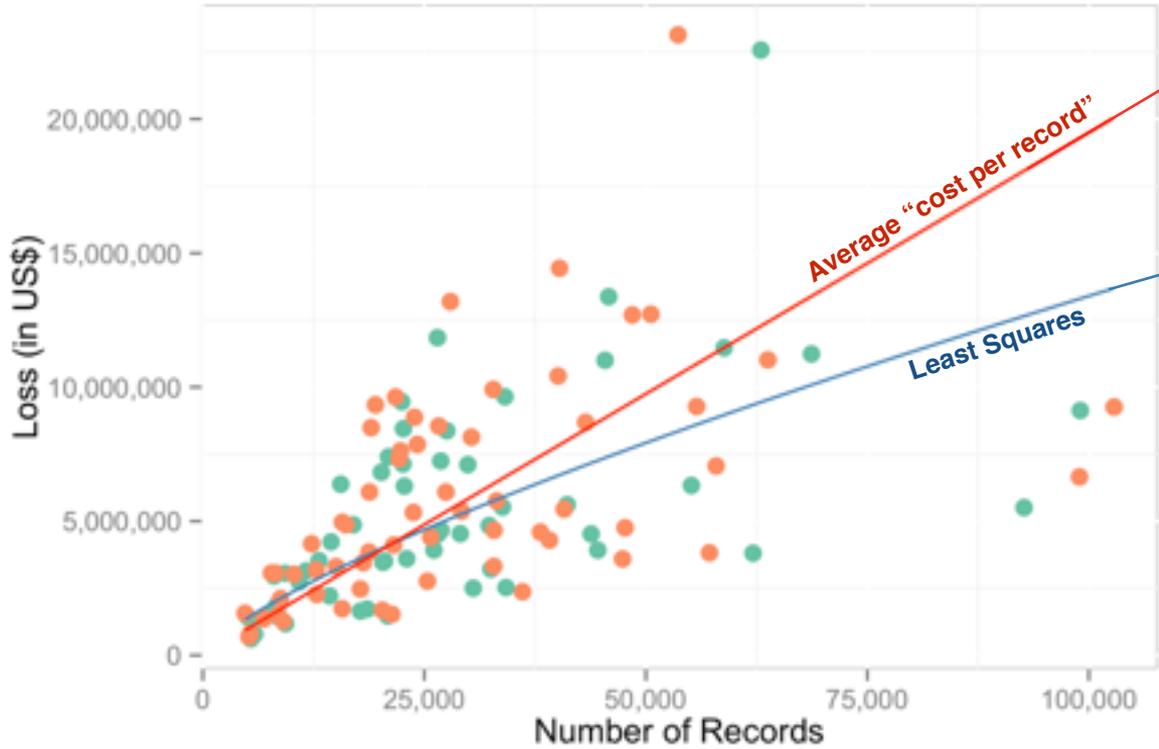
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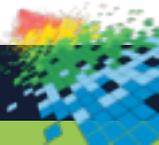
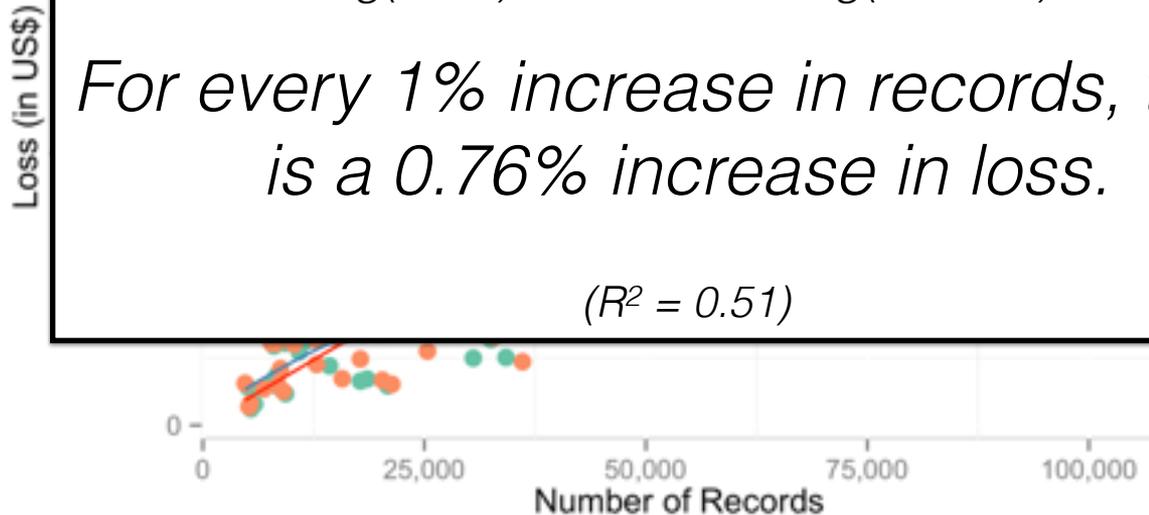
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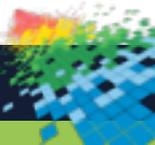
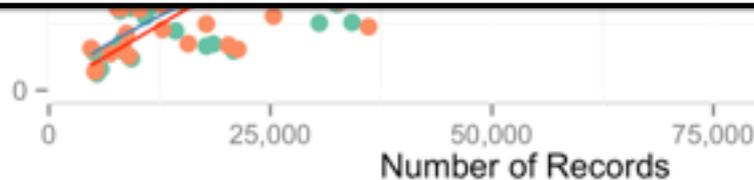
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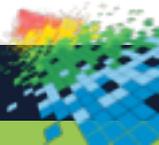


# So What

- ◆ Regression (least squares) is the work horse of data analysis.
- ◆ Obvious and intuitive does not necessary mean it's right.
- ◆ Useful for quantitative variables... Collect data!

## TRY THIS AT HOME!

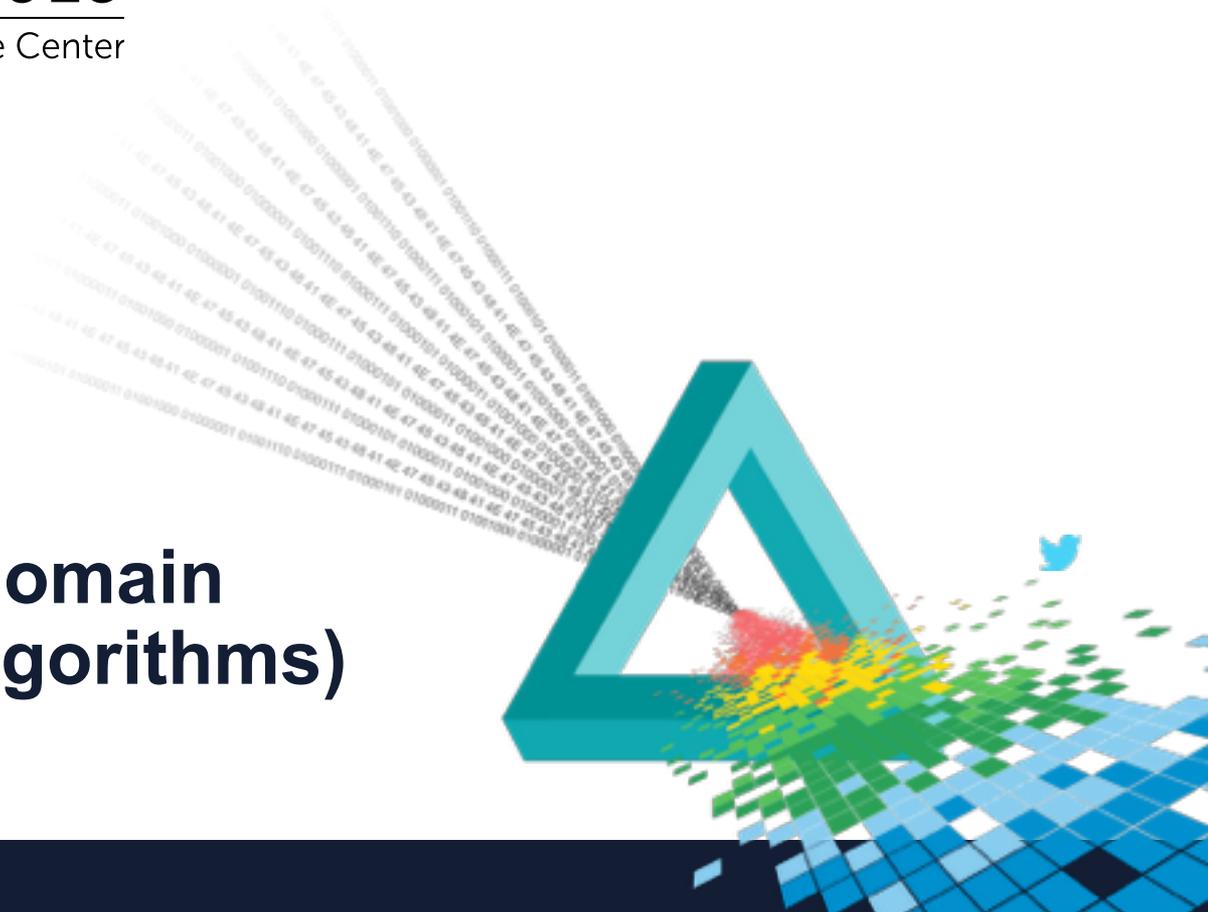
- ◆ See DBIR for more detailed impact analysis
- ◆ See blog post for more Ponemon analysis – <http://l.dds.ec/1CQHUA1>



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## Talkin' 'bout my Domain GGGeneration (Algorithms)



# Domain Generating Algorithms (DGA)

Algorithms that generate pseudo-random domain names. Used by malware to (typically) communicate with a controlling hub.

## Cryptolocker

etledwndgunmrt  
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bugvesrwqxdjoa  
qxavdikemhepxk  
ohgnphscwbyvuse  
fbveqghechlth  
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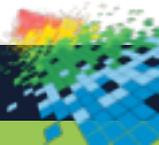
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## NewGoz

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# Classification...

... is this one domain malicious?

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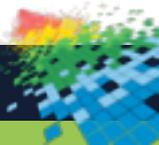
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# Statistical Modeling: The Two Cultures



Leo Breiman  
1928-2005



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# Features (machine learning)

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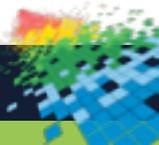
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- ◆ Length
- ◆ Entropy
- ◆ letter sequences (n-grams)
- ◆ Others?

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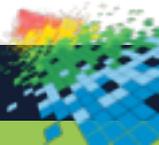
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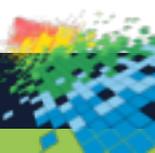
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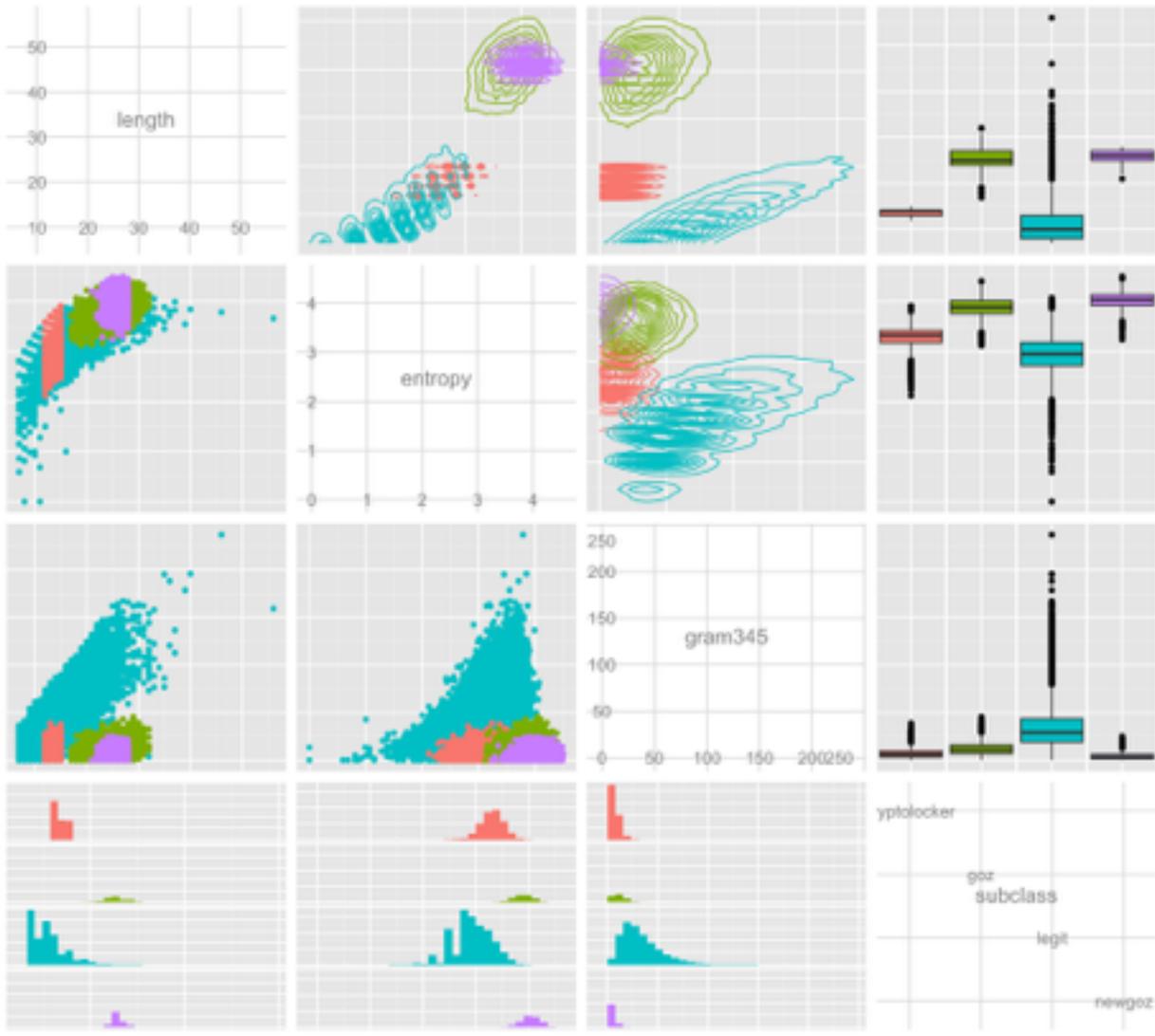


# The Features (what they look like)

	domain	class	length	entropy	onegram	threegram	fourgram	fivegram	gram345
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	google-analytics	legit	16	3.500000	74.47313	32.33994	16.50915	11.601353	60.45045
	akamaihd	legit	8	2.405639	37.22381	11.01290	1.50515	0.000000	12.51805
	facebook	legit	8	2.750000	36.93176	15.66067	10.39223	6.844194	32.89709
	microsoft	legit	9	2.947703	42.15909	17.11639	11.39665	7.493930	36.00697
	googletagservices	legit	17	3.292770	79.98536	36.45091	23.18288	12.778621	72.41240
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	exotugfsphafhxt	dga	15	3.373557	67.02298	8.673246	0	0	8.673246
	civtuqeeoqeg	dga	13	3.026987	57.67474	8.827826	0	0	8.827826
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	qixyfrsfiyied	dga	13	3.026987	57.37876	9.761103	0	0	9.761103
	ptyjwsefmslk	dga	13	3.392747	58.05692	4.670913	0	0	4.670913
	hvuwoxwkfpbwy	dga	13	3.334679	55.16979	0.000000	0	0	0.000000



Comparing all the Features...



# The Results

	dga	legit	domain		dga	legit	domain
2	0.000	1.000	doubleclick	138957	1.000	0.000	7sy3v81toy7vim3br0410212pg
5	0.000	1.000	googlesyndication	138958	1.000	0.000	i8hkuf1wwfc8w1g25u0110vx6w3
6	0.000	1.000	googleapis	138959	1.000	0.000	etvp9c12ixta51jko7ba18xgd3
7	0.000	1.000	googleadservices	138961	1.000	0.000	bw25th1nsiukt1344bchl1gwgrlh
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48	0.008	0.992	crwdcntrl	138982	1.000	0.000	naihsdncxgv8e3eivnx2qmg0

# The Results (in the gray area)

	dga	legit	domain
96375	0.532	0.468	muskelschmiede
96739	0.492	0.508	cendrawasih11
97182	0.506	0.494	empayar-pemuda
97824	0.506	0.494	avto-flagman
26011	0.534	0.466	semilukskaya-crb
25273	0.502	0.498	amovpnforoosh11
27955	0.482	0.518	fairheadkenya
3356	0.536	0.464	m3mieszkania
35484	0.524	0.476	stukadoorsbedrijfvannoord
3876	0.504	0.496	pik-equipment
41173	0.520	0.480	<b>oxfordlawtrove</b> ←
71022	0.546	0.454	inezandvinoohd
72228	0.528	0.472	<b>voiceofdaegu</b> ←
99001	0.536	0.464	sacdokulmesi-tr
878461	0.452	0.548	viokbmsinerce
878951	0.512	0.488	hebsphsplitih
886501	0.504	0.496	hotodfonwpougi
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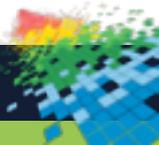
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Prediction	dga	legit
dga	39292	282
legit	206	64458

Accuracy : 0.9953  
95% CI : (0.9949, 0.9957)  
No Information Rate : 0.6211  
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16

Kappa : 0.9869  
Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 0.0006861

Sensitivity : 0.9948  
Specificity : 0.9956  
Pos Pred Value : 0.9929  
Neg Pred Value : 0.9968  
Prevalence : 0.3789  
Detection Rate : 0.3769  
Detection Prevalence : 0.3797  
Balanced Accuracy : 0.9952

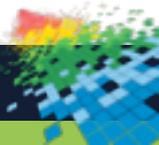


# So What

- ◆ DNS is a rich source of data in your enterprise (and it's FREE)
- ◆ Can collect it from logs, sniffed off wire, even retrieved from latest netflow standard
- ◆ Can potentially give you a leg up on targeted attacks specific to only your org

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- ◆ See blog post(s) for more DGA analysis





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## Questions?

