



# Why recording No Findings ? A common sample selection bias

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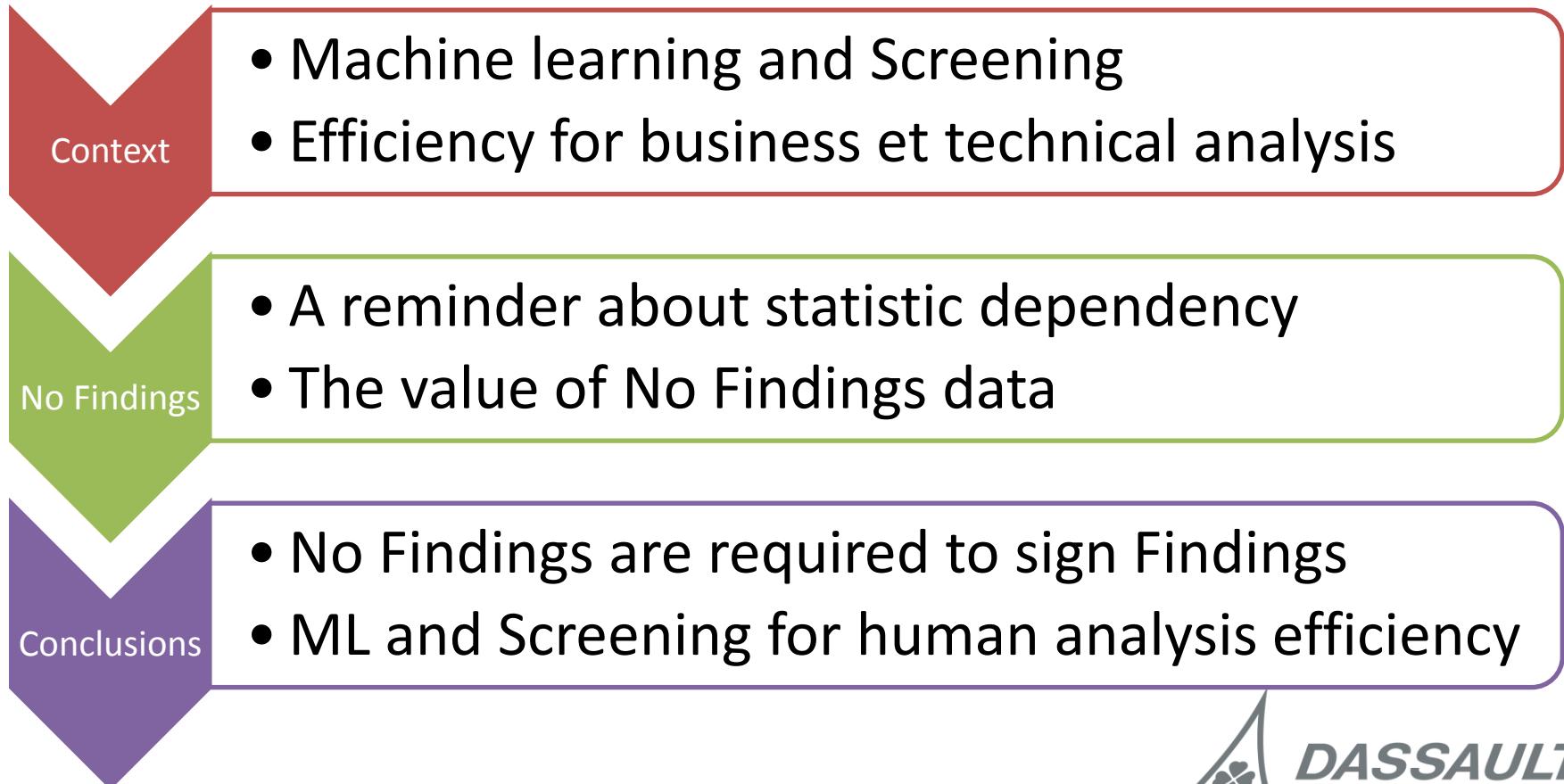
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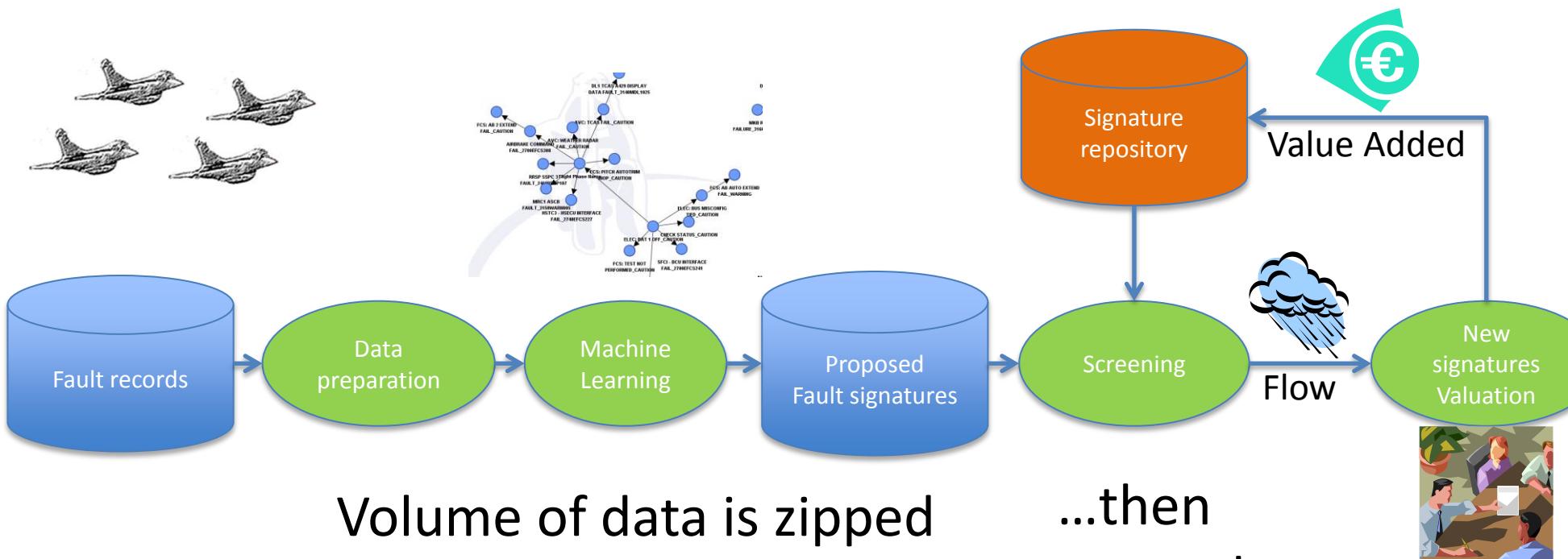


# Presentation Plan



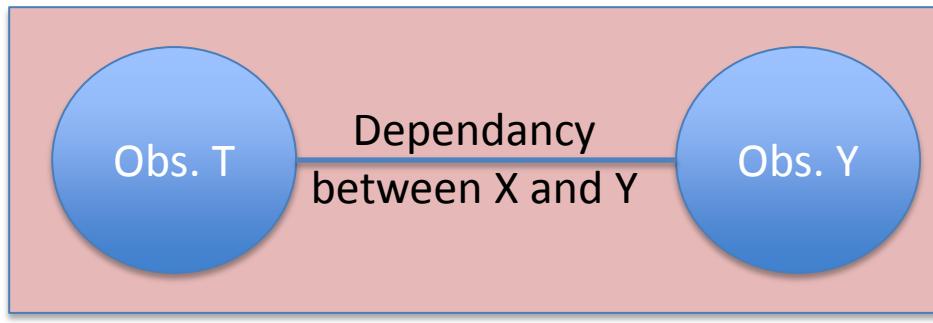
- Machine learning and Screening
- Efficiency for business et technical analysis

# Machine learning and screening

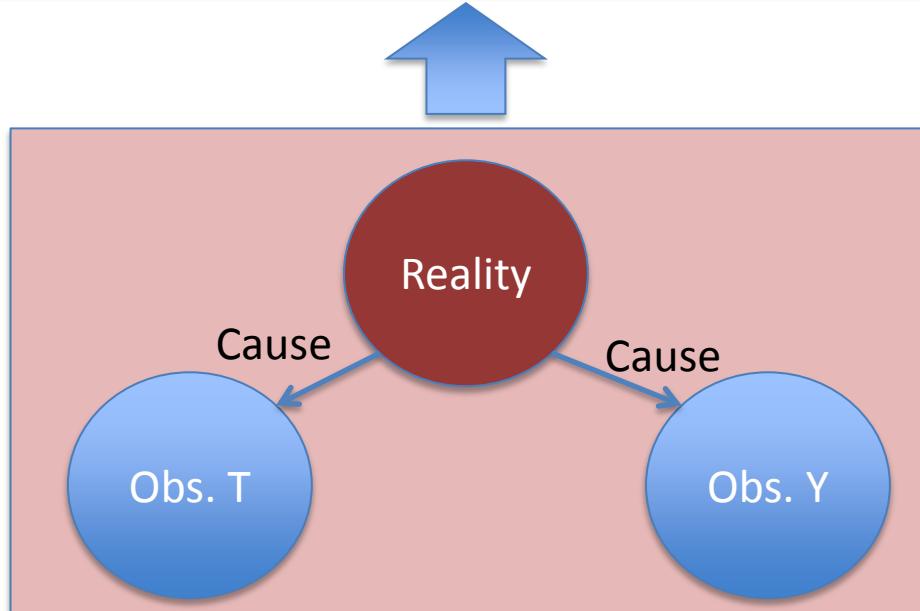


- A reminder about statistic dependency
- The value of No Findings data

# Phenomenons as sign of an ultimate reality



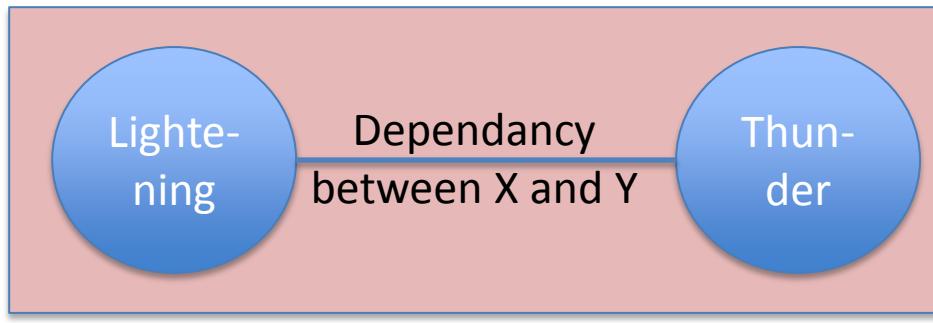
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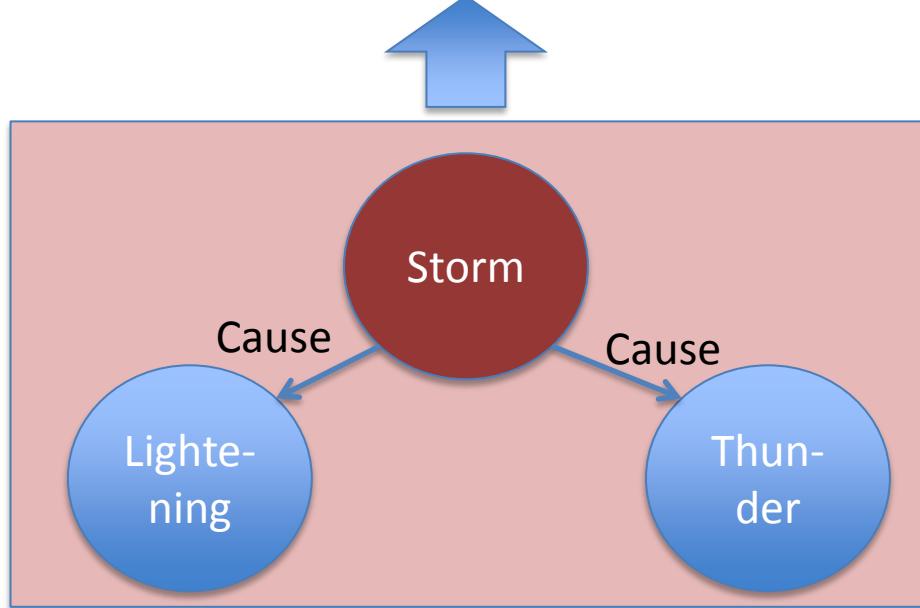
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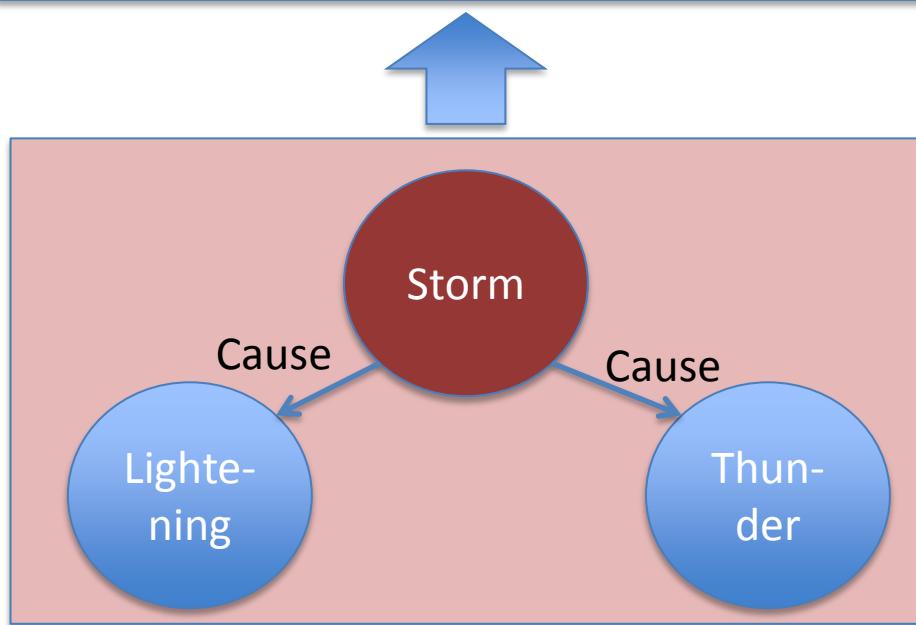
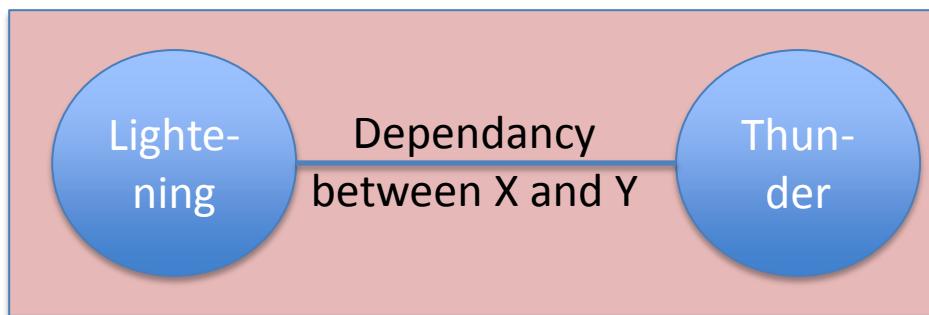
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# Let model a storm and its phenomena



`IF(ALEA()>0,99;« Lightening»;"")`

- Lightening is observed on 1%

`IF(B2=" Lightening  
";IF(ALEA()>0,95;"";« Thunder»);  
IF(ALEA()>0,99;« Thunder»;""))`

- If Lightening then Thunder appears on 95%.
- And if no Lightening, Thunder appears 1%

Let add independant observations :

`IF(ALEA()>0,5;« Day »;« Night »)`

- And its daylight 50%

`IF(ALEA()>0,8;« Sea »;« Land »)`

- 80% of experiments are on sea.

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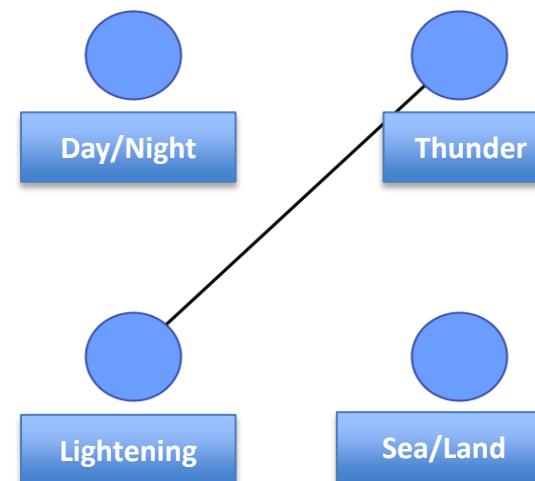
# True dependancies are found and no False dependancies appear

Day/Night	Lightening	Thunder	Sea/Land
Jour	-	Tonnerre	Mer
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Findings  
11 lignes

« No Findings »  
352 lignes



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# But without « No Findings » :

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Dependancy between Lightening and Thunder is lost

Findings  
11 lignes



No dependency including by increasing the number of Findings

« No Findings » are removed





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# Findings have value...

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...only with « No Findings »

«  $\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$  » is equivalent to «  $p \Rightarrow q$  »

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then no  $p \Rightarrow q$





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# The Raven paradox

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World's Greatest  
1000 Creation Scientists  
2000

## SIR FRANCIS BACON

1561 - 1626

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- Credited for formulating the “scientific method”
  - Induction
  - Experimentation
  - Interpretation of data
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# The 3 tables for Induction

According to Bacon, the search for forms must continue investigating all known instances

- Presence (Presencia) = where are recorded all instances in which the phenomenon occurs.
- Absence (Absencia) = where some of the cases related to previous but where the phenomenon does not occur.
- Gradi (RANK) = in which are recorded all the cases or instances in which the phenomenon presents itself according to a greater or lesser intensity.

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# A common sample bias

## Challenger disaster

### To ignore « No Findings »

Seal Failure	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Cold Weather			Warm Weather			

There are the same number of seal in fault when the weather is cold then when the weather is warm. So ?

The Flight director concluded that weather has no link with seal fault.



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# « No Findings » are required

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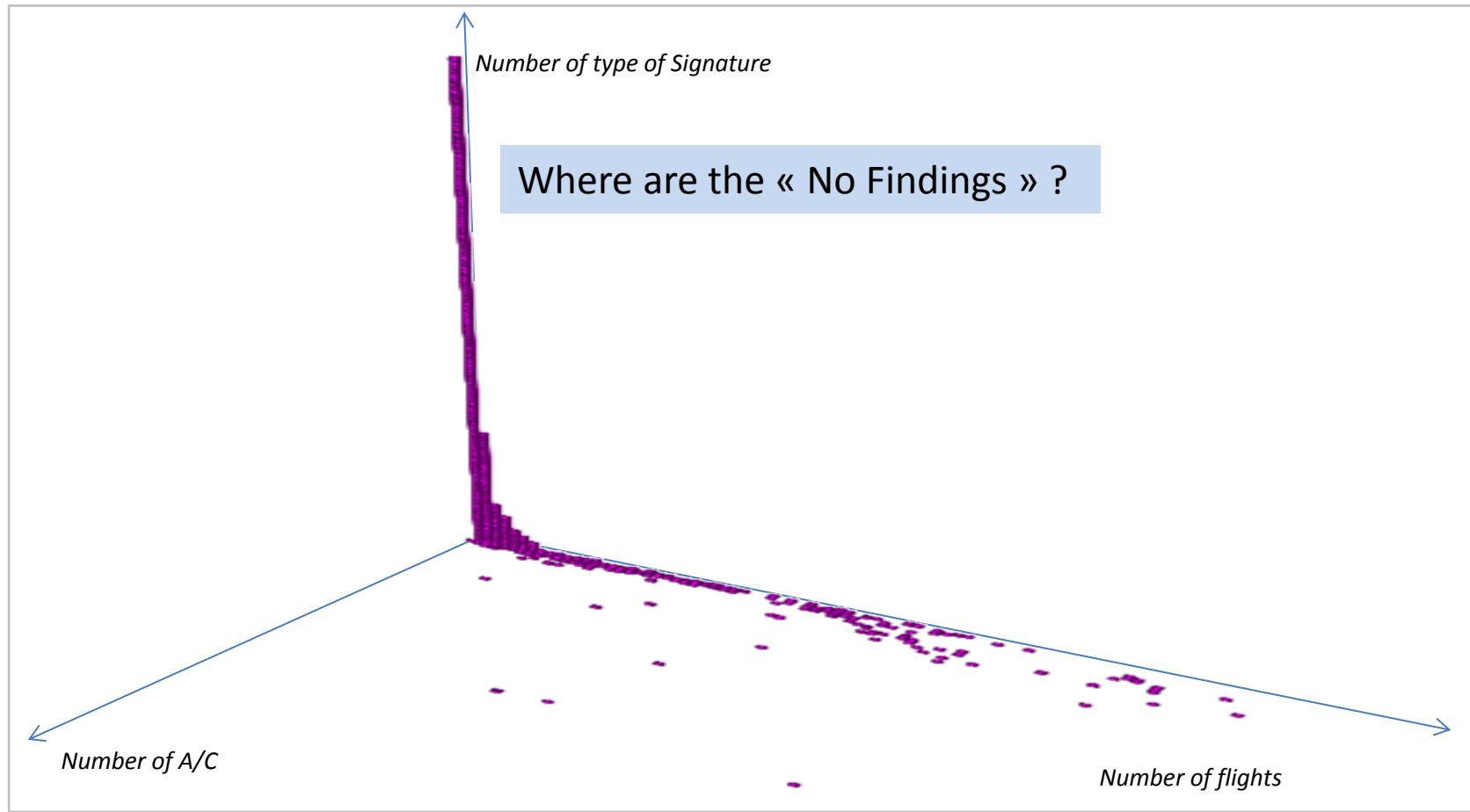
# We add the « No Findings »

<b>Seal Failure</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Seal OK</b>					XXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXXX
		<b>Cold Weather</b>					<b>Warm Weather</b>	

There is a seal failure for all cold weather flights  
4 flights on 20 have seal failures when the  
weather is warm

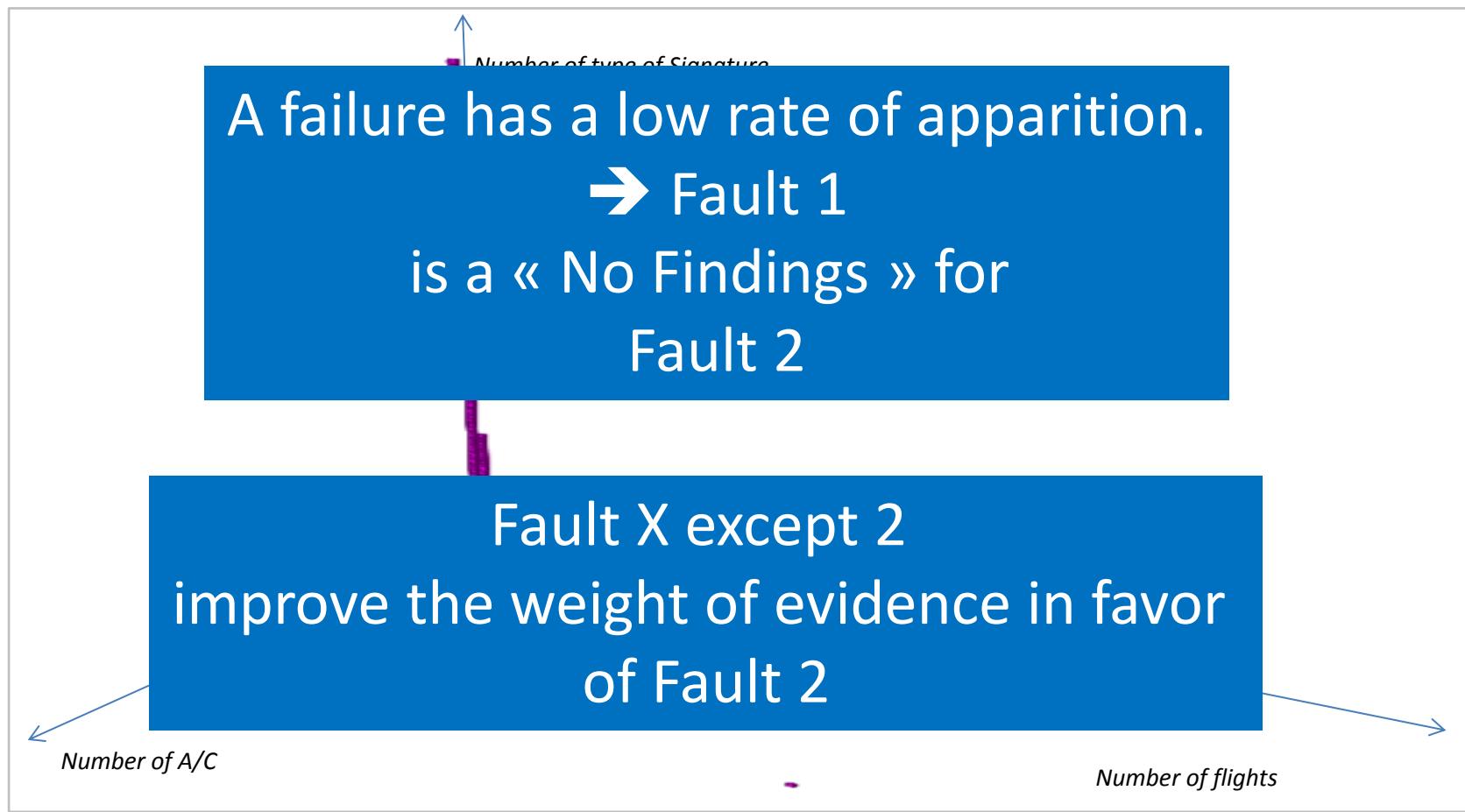
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# Mainly failures with low rate of apparition...



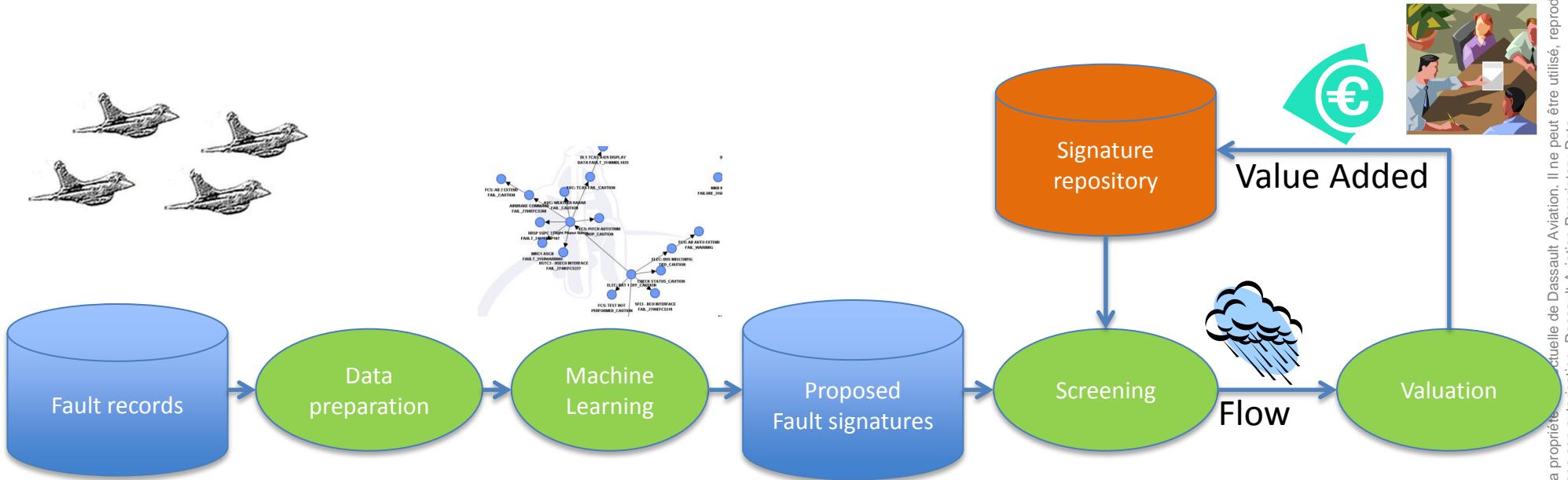
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# ...which are also « No Findings » for the other faults.



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# Data reduction is for human analysis



Volume of data is zipped  
(machine learning)...

...then  
screened



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Context

- Machine learning and Screening
- Efficiency for business et technical analysis

No Findings

- A reminder about statistic dependency
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Conclusions

- No Findings are required to sign Findings
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