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Safety II in practice – the positive deviance approach

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Analysis of Safety data can make positive difference in ATM safety

Operational Expertise

Interpret the results
Implement actions

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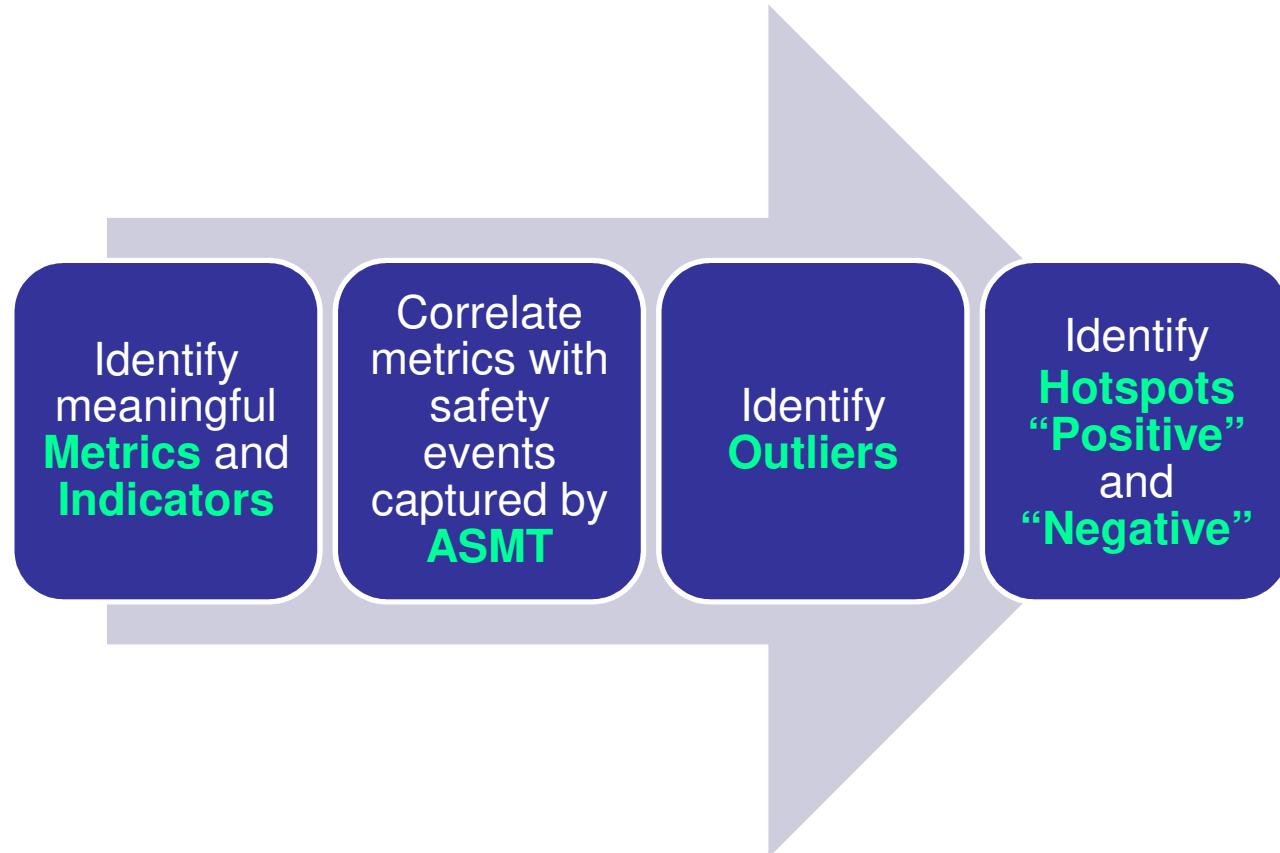
Drawn attention
Drive analysis/questions

Safety Performance Monitoring

- Best practices (Safety II)
- Systemic issues (Safety I)



The Positive Deviance Approach



Step 1 – Identify meaningful metrics and indicators

- What are relevant metrics to measure Safety Performance?
 - Traffic load
 - Vertical movements
 - Workload
 - Complexity
 - Capacity Overload
 - ...

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Step 2 – Collect safety data



- What safety data to analyse?
 - SMI
 - STCA
 - ACAS-RA
 - MSAW
 - ...

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Step 3 – Correlate data and identify outliers



- Which metrics and indicators correlate with the collected safety data?
 - Traffic load vs number of events
 - Vertical movements vs number of events
 - Workload vs number of events
 - Complexity vs location of events
 - ...

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Example



- Correlation between:
 - Traffic load
 - Vertical movements
 - Number of STCA events

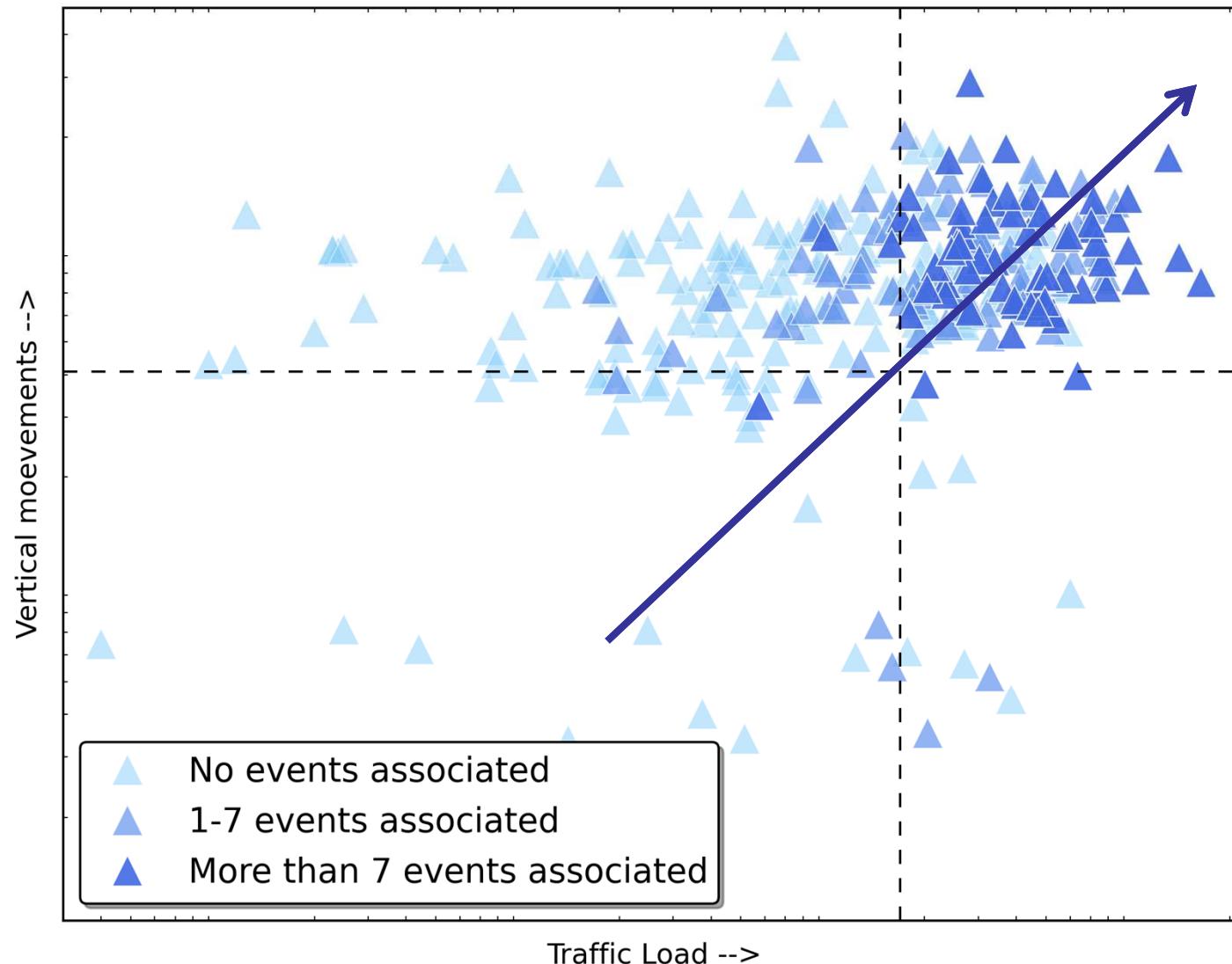
What can we learn from this analysis?



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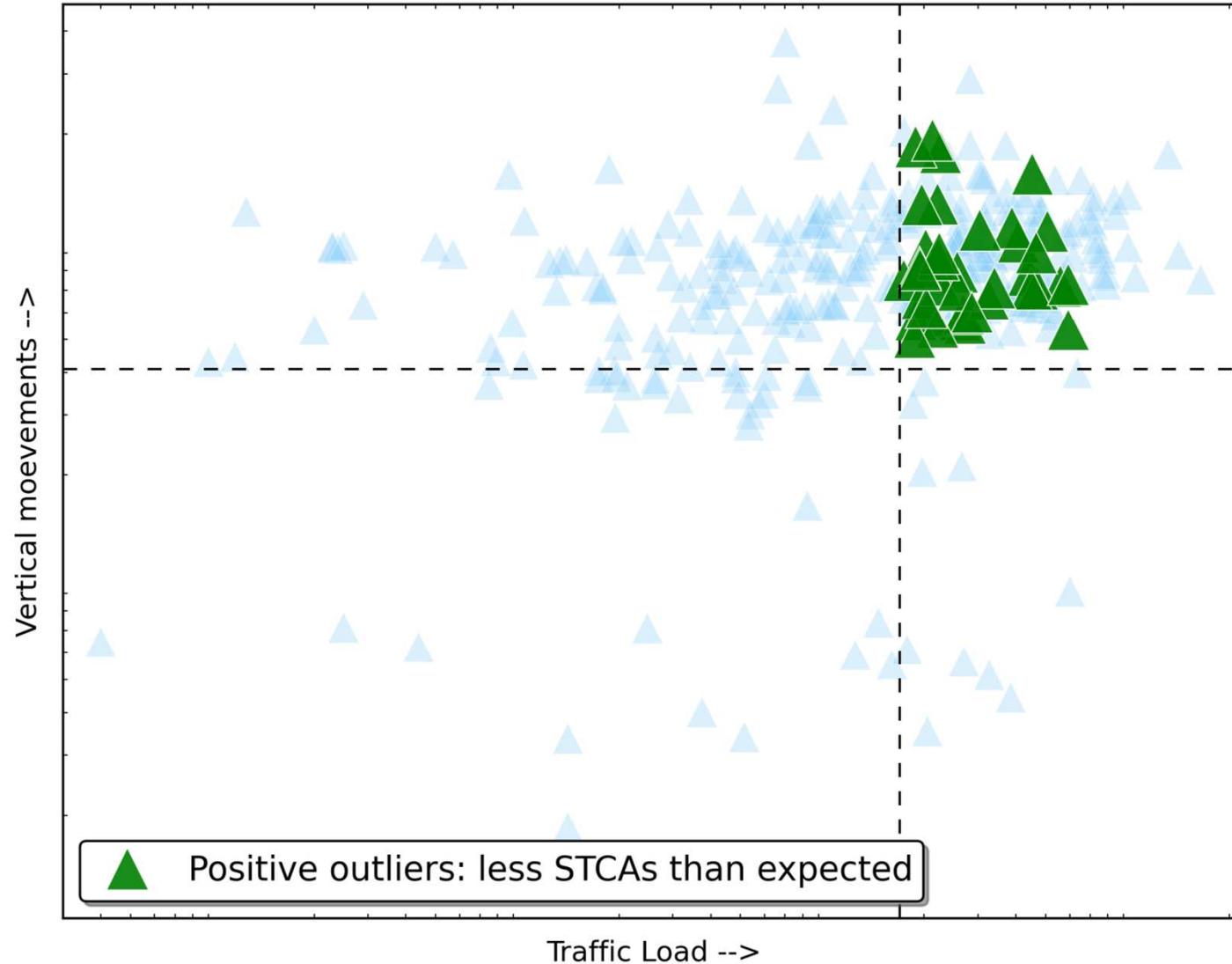
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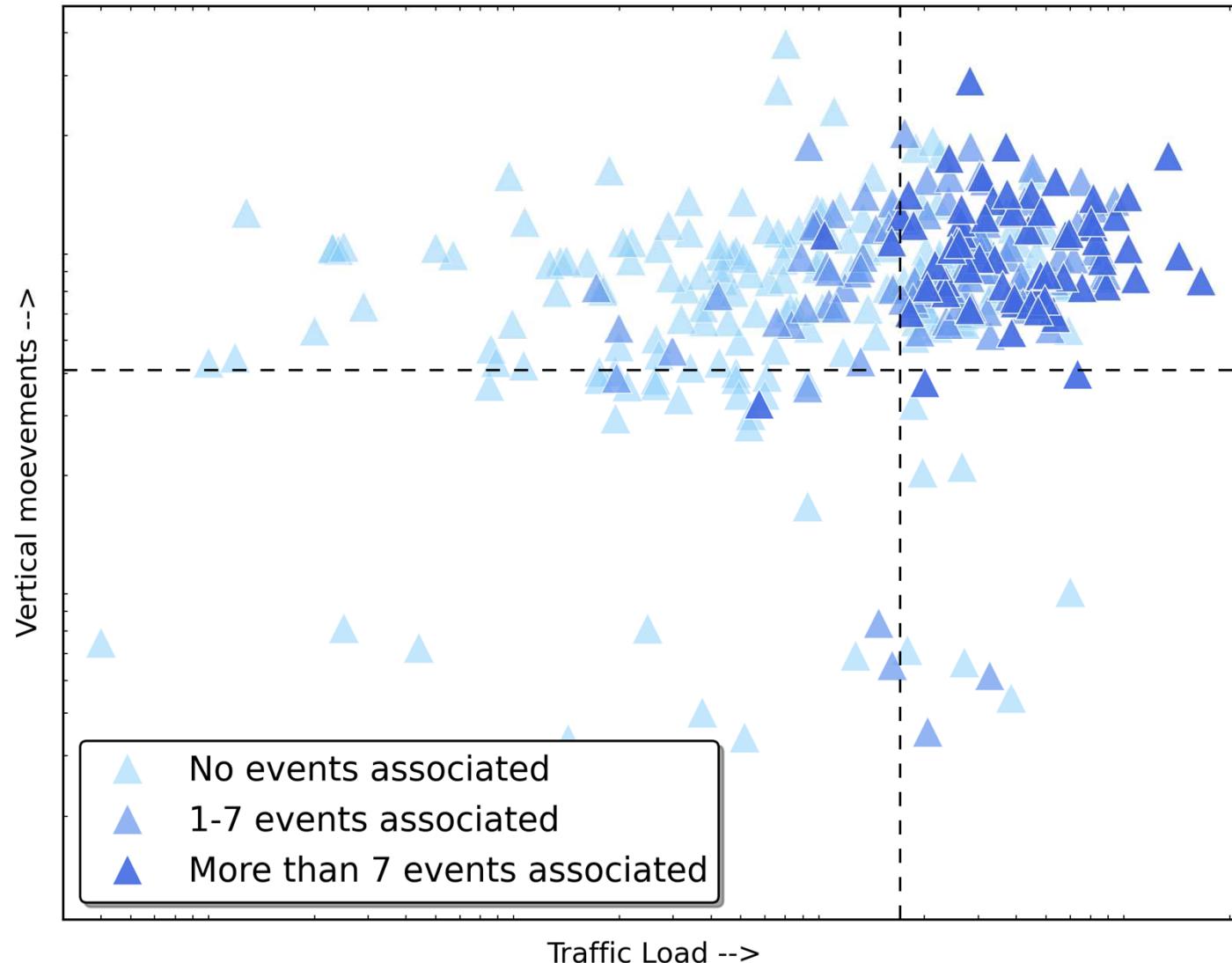
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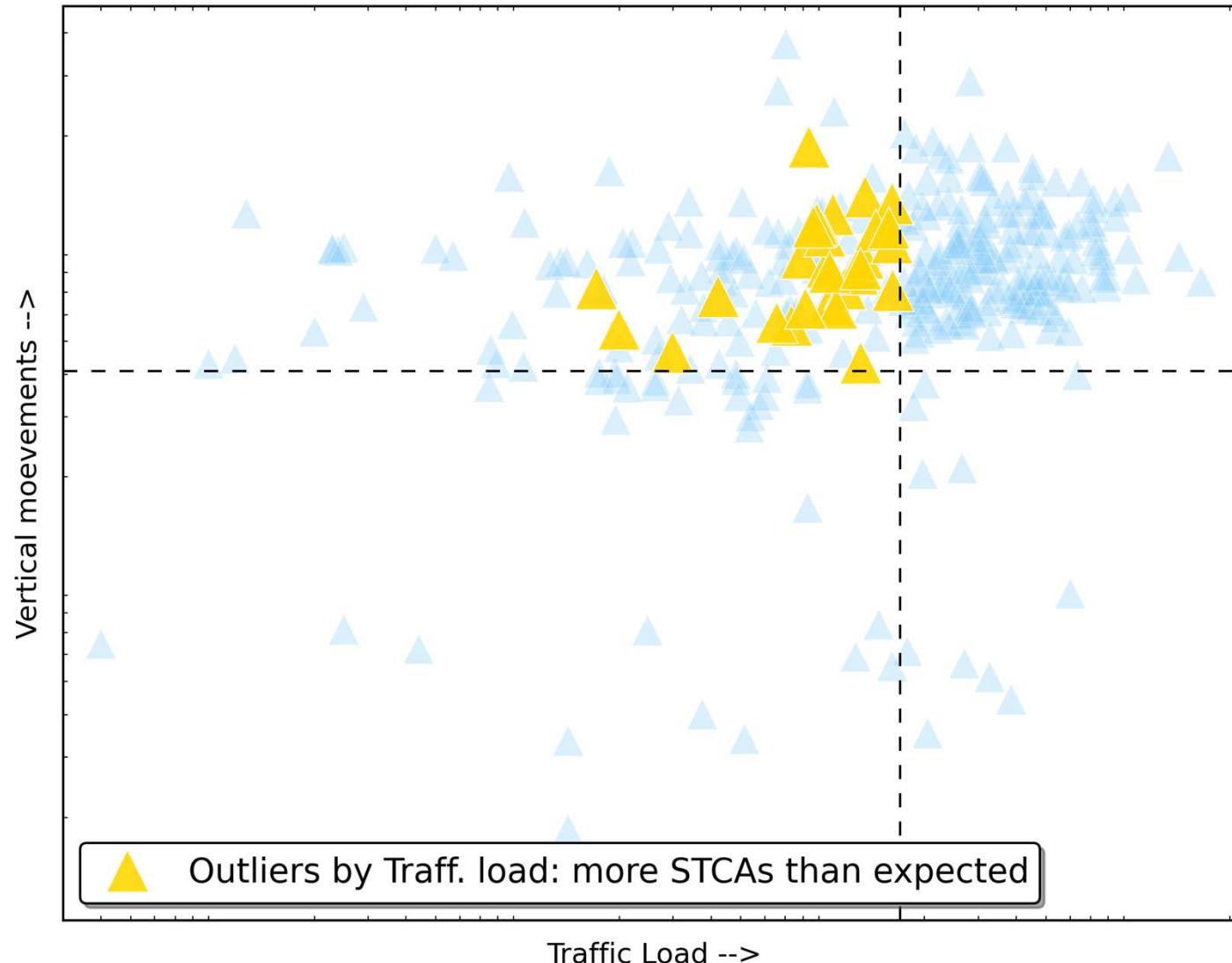
Positive Outliers



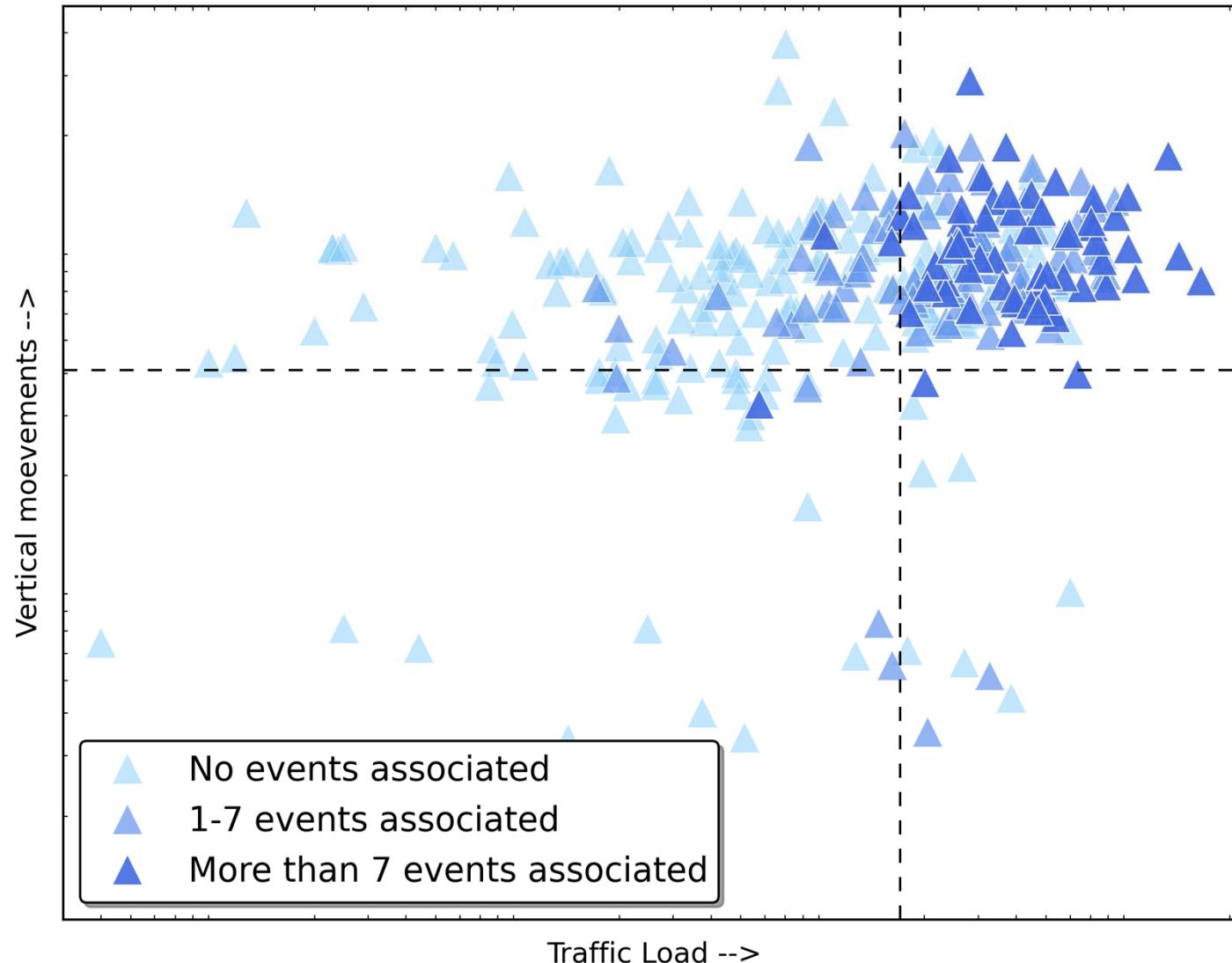
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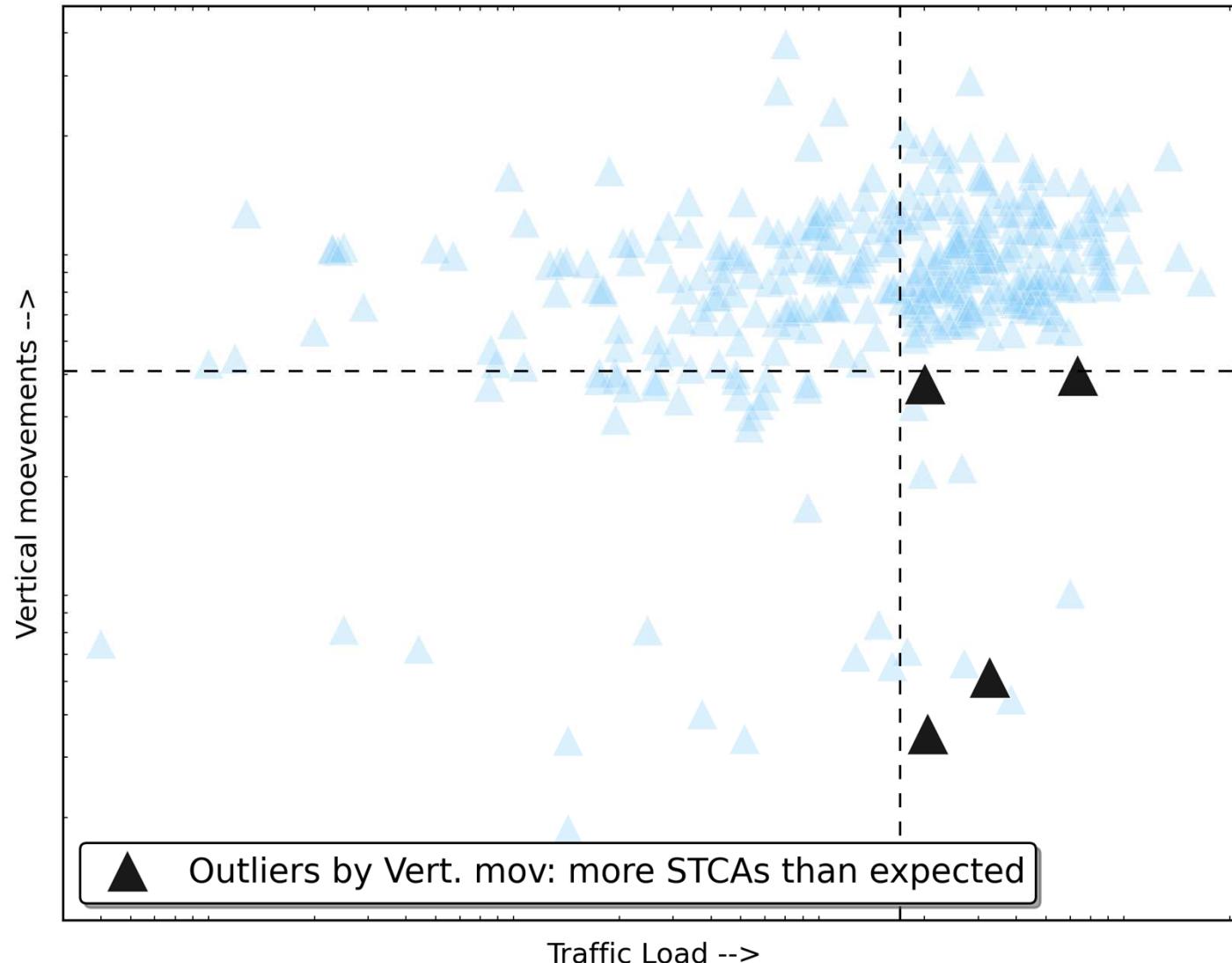
Outliers by Traffic Load



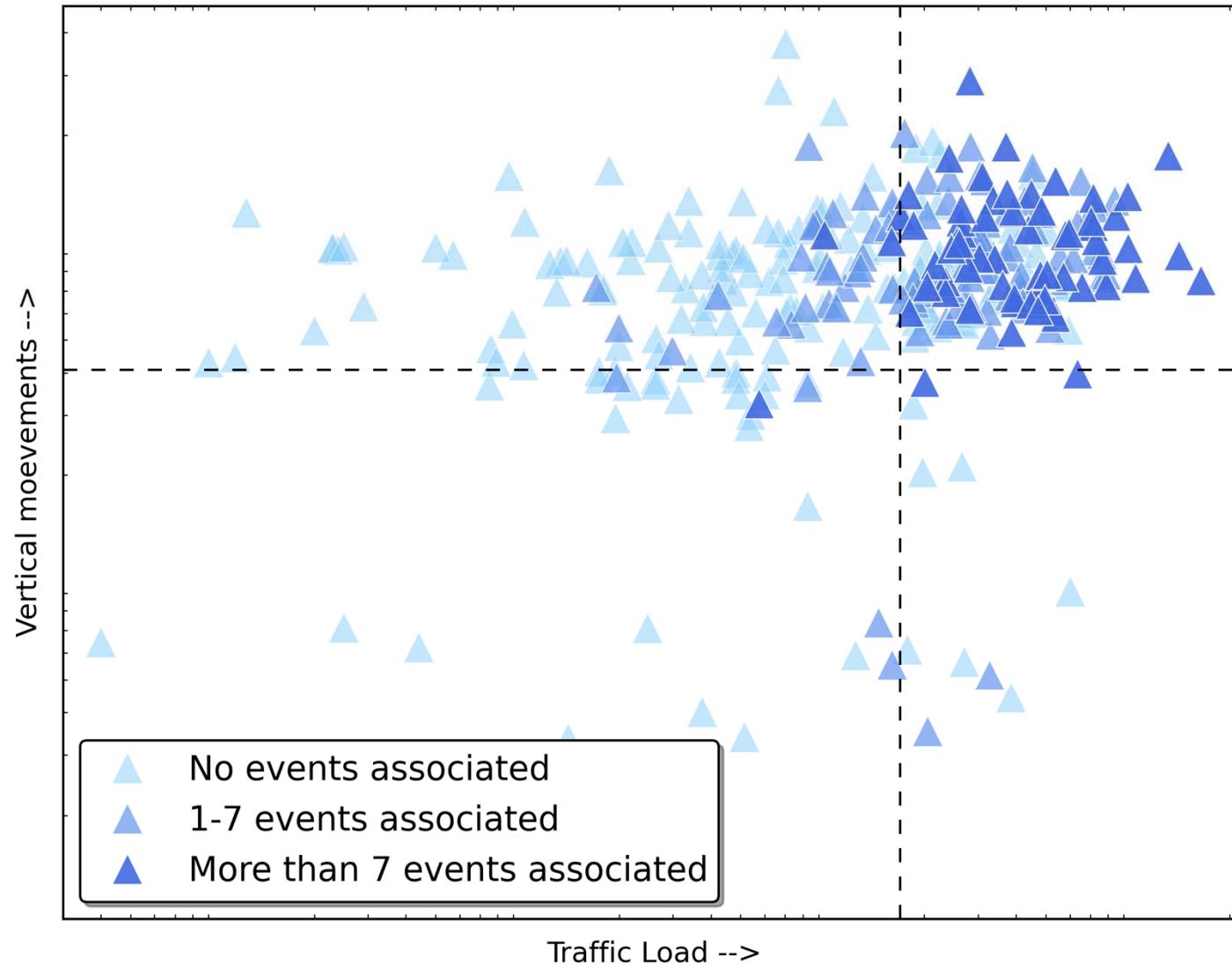
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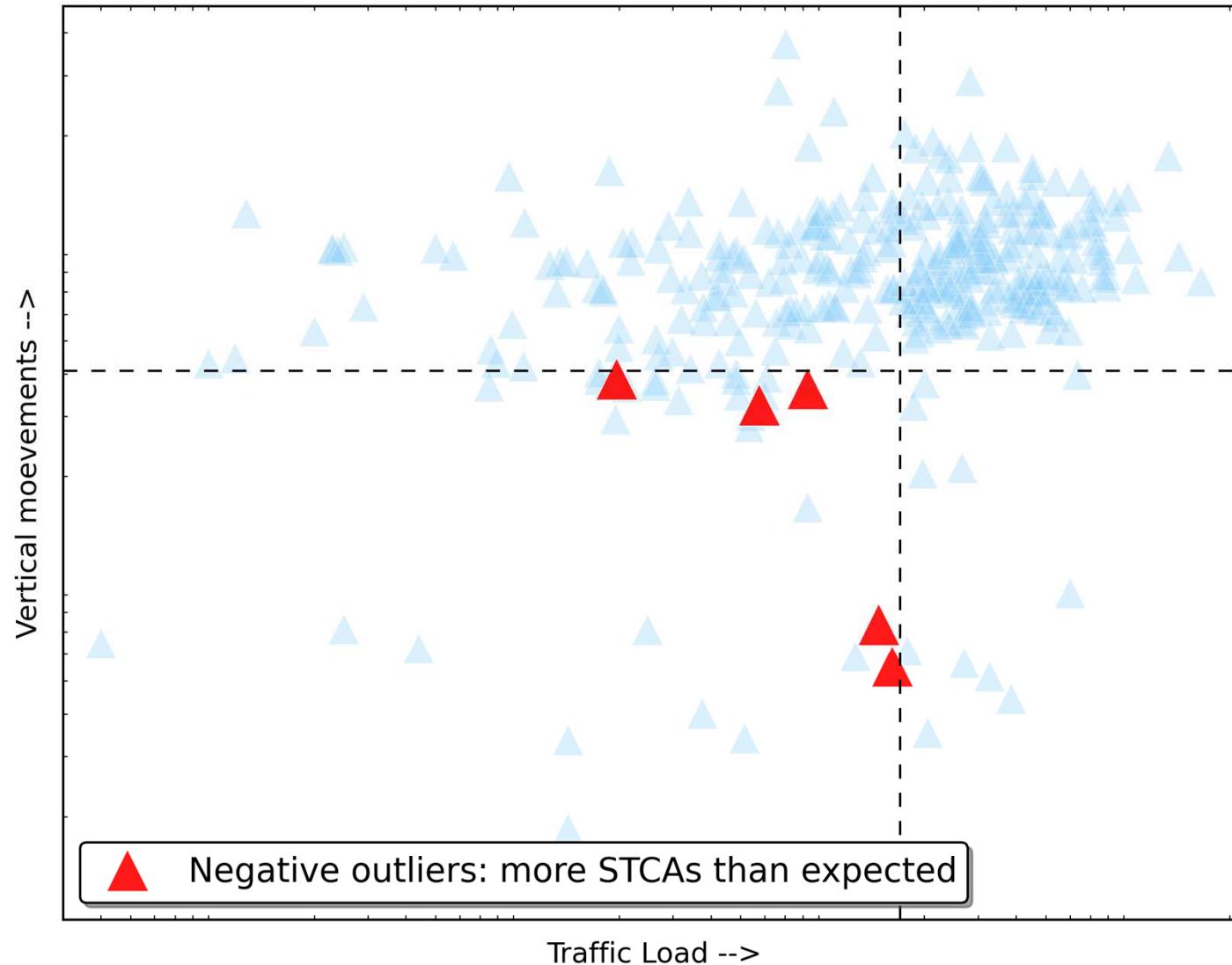
Outliers by Vertical movements



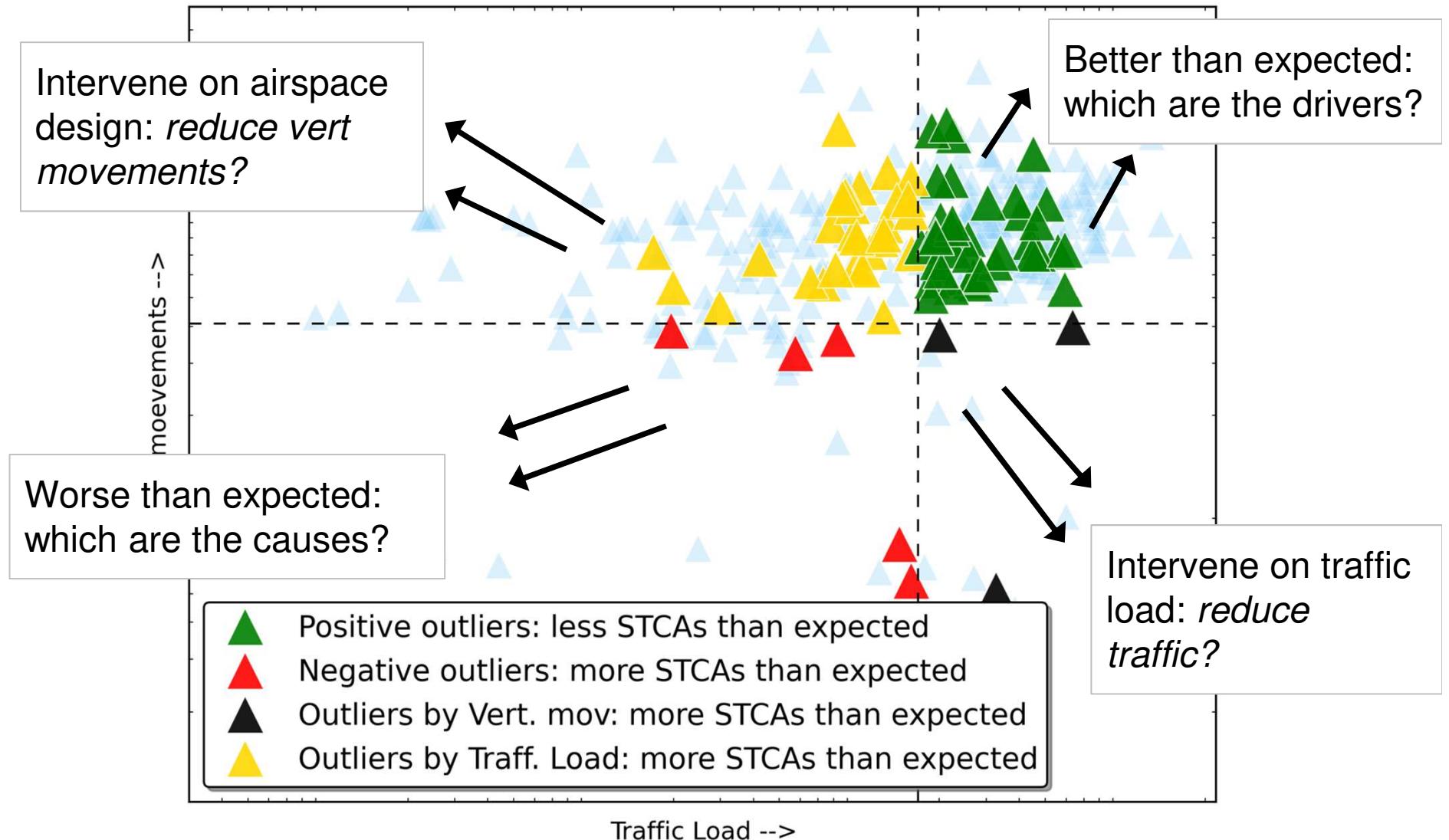
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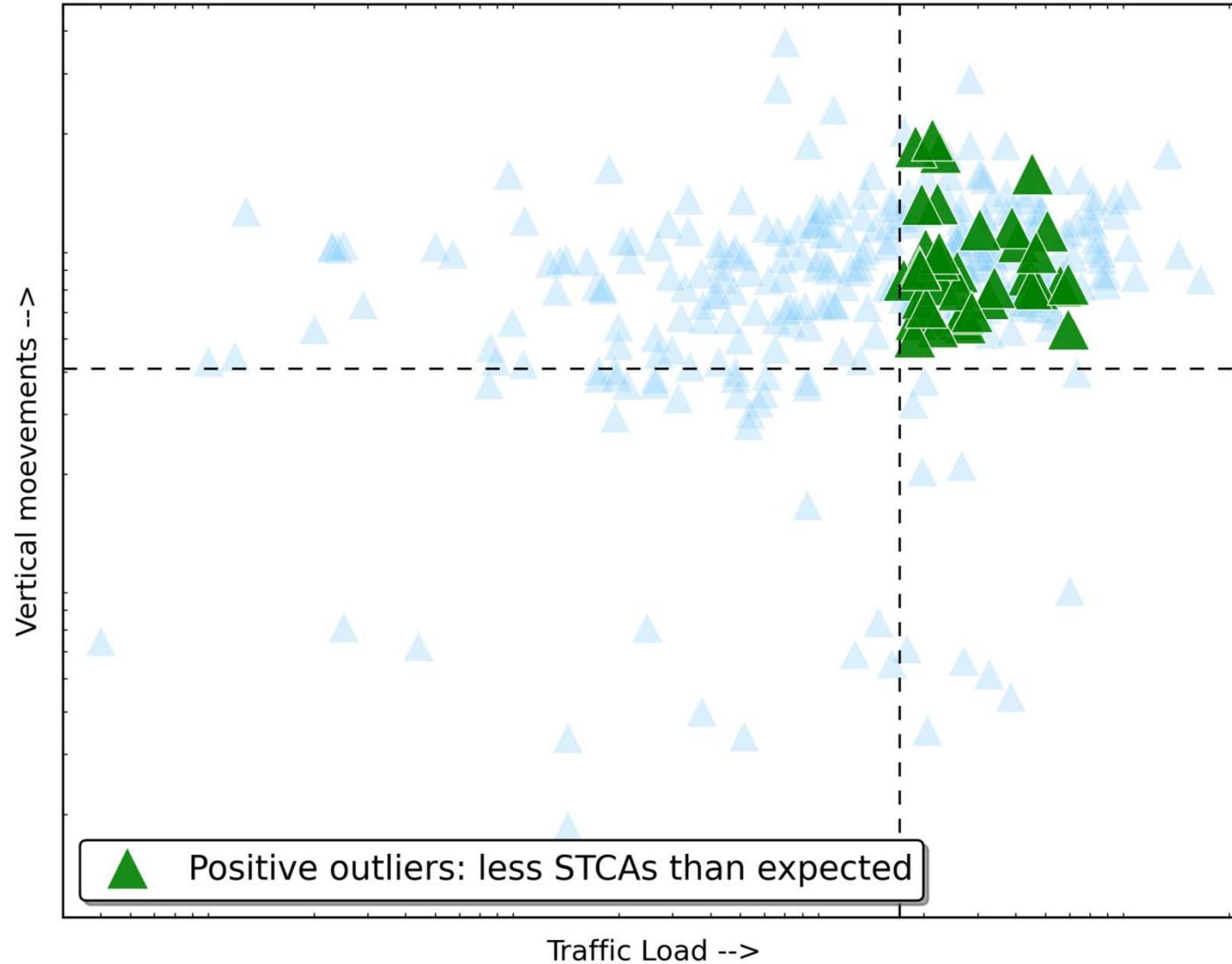
Negative Outliers



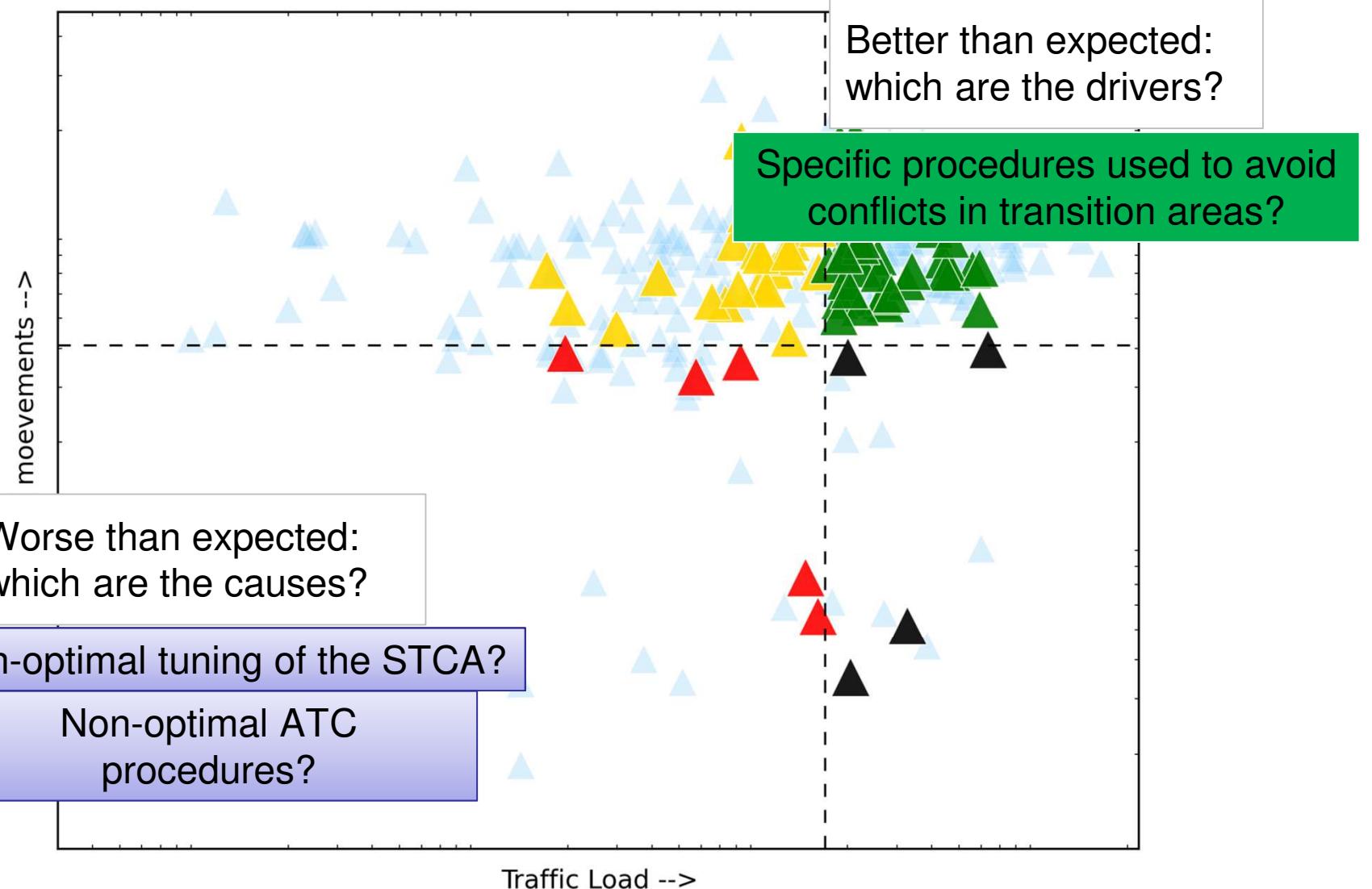
Outliers overview



Positive Outliers



Analysis of outliers: what can we learn?



Conclusions

- The Positive Deviance Approach relies on operational data and use of ASMT to perform Outliers analysis and make difference in:
 - Understanding how operations work as a whole
 - Measuring and assessing the presence of safety, performing better or worse than the average:
 - **capture best practices** to reproduce (Safety II), as opposed to
 - **identify systemic issues** to be mitigated (Safety I)
- The one presented is an example – more analyses are possible:
 - What metrics and indicators should be considered?
 - What are the **operational issues** to tackle?
 - And the **best practices** to identify?

