

Baseball History Meets Modern Visualization

One of baseball's greatest assets is its annual pennant races, with every team entering a new season with a fresh start and high hopes for the coming year. Six months later, a single team emerges after a long, hard-fought season that is frequently not decided until the final days of the campaign. This book provides a unique new way for viewing every pennant race from 1901 to 1968 for both the American and National Leagues, using an array of visualizations that provide a fresh outlook into this seminal baseball tradition.

Discover the world of pennant races through the innovative use of horizon charts, dotplots, box plots, sparklines, and heatmaps as Cherven takes you on a visual journey through 68 seasons of classic pennant chases, ranging from Ty Cobb's Tigers through Bob Gibson and the 1968 Cardinals. Here's your opportunity to see just how dominant the Yankees of the 1940s and 1950s truly were, as clearly illustrated by the multiple visuals for each season. Or you can see how truly dismal the Phillies teams of the 1920s and '30s were, and decide which edition was the absolute worst.

Above all, see the possibilities in how visualization can be used to enhance and expand our understanding of both the pennant races and the underlying statistical data that determines each year's pennant winners.

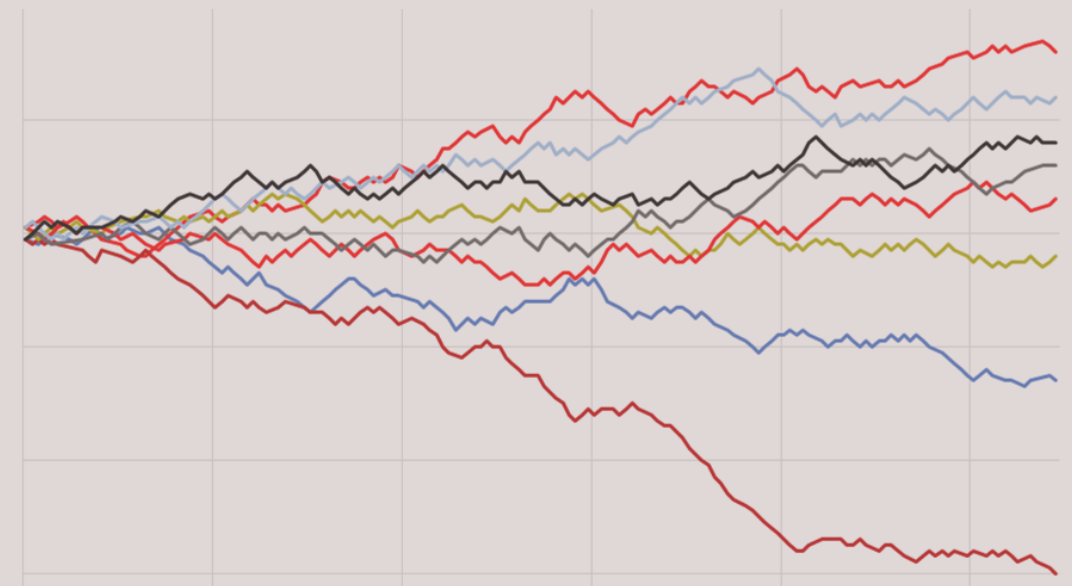
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