

# Algorithms for Hire

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# THE CANDIDATE EXPERIENCE



Application

Resume

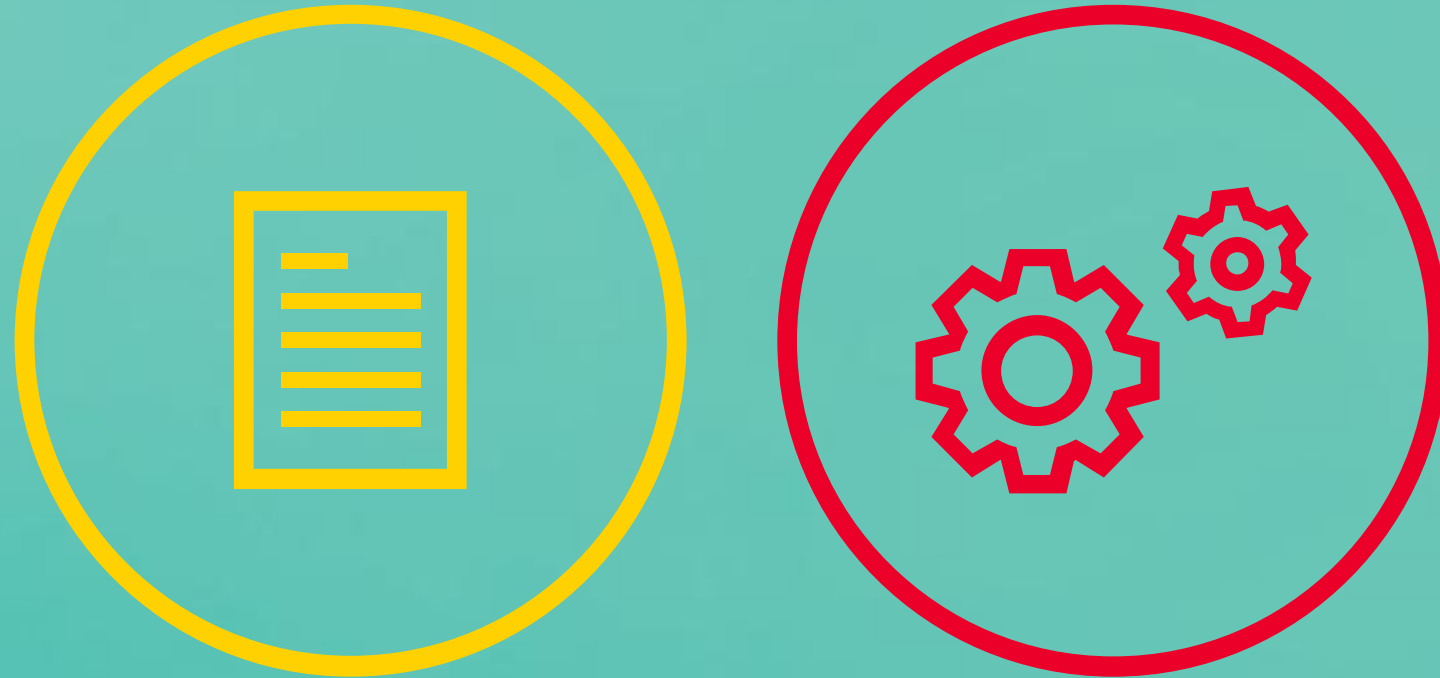
Cover Letter

JESSICA SAMPSON  
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MARKETING MANAGER  
Campaign Development • Product Management • Strategic Planning  
Highly knowledgeable, innovative, and progress-driven marketing professional with proven strengths in creating and driving successful campaigns and business development initiatives. Valued ability to lead multidisciplinary teams, manage multi-million dollar project budgets, and collaborate effectively with staff on all levels. Continually search for ways to improve processes, increase efficiency, cut costs, and expand territories. Identify and capitalize on new growth opportunities through market research and analysis, product expertise, and proven business acumen. Key skills include:  
Project Management, Brand/Identity Development, Resource Allocation, SEO, Outreach & Public Relations  
Multi-channel Marketing, Vendor Relations, Client Satisfaction, Staff Training, Event Planning  
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE  
COMPANY NAME - Boulder, CO 2007 to 2011  
Owner, Marketing Manager  
Built, owned, and operated highly successful athletic events organization company. Employed staff of 6 including Events Director, Office Manager, Bookkeeper, Marketing Coordinator, Volunteer Manager, and Operations Manager; supervised 50+ volunteers. Facilitated total of 25 competitive and non-competitive events with 2.5k participants. Orchestrated all marketing initiatives and managed annual budget of \$50k. Defined metrics to measure plan success and determine best strategy for resource allocation. Sourced and retained sponsors and collaborated with outside graphic designers to produce company collateral, website, email campaigns, logos, and merchandise, ensuring brand and message consistency.  
• Increased revenues and cut costs each year, including 50% reduction in expenses in 3rd year and 30% increase in profitability in 4th year of operation.  
• Identified vendor in China for cycling musette bags, saving 80% over US manufacturers' costs.  
• Built brand and expanded participation in Tour de Boulder event; developed and launched successful merchandise marketing plan resulting in complete sell out of cycling jerseys and t-shirts.  
COMPANY NAME - Boulder, CO 2005 to 2007  
Logistics Manager  
Supervised all logistics and freight operations for manufacturer of fleece clothing and accessories with 75 employees; challenged to turn around struggling department, managed freight budget of \$2M, directing all purchases and shipments; worked closely with 3rd warehouse partner in administering \$3M+ distribution budget. Provided direct internal and external customer service and support. Co-facilitated creation and implementation of Lean manufacturing curriculum and continually identified ways to improve warehouse efficiencies, save costs, and increase accuracy of picking/packing and shipping.  
• Resolved departmental issues and restructured processes and procedures to bring stabilization to logistics and freight operations within 6-month time period.  
• Achieved 99% accurate global pick rate with both national and international vendors.  
• Successfully negotiated lower freight rates, cutting expenses by \$150k in one year.  
• Created new shipping carton that saved \$175k in first year of use, lowered customer shipping costs, and promoted company's sustainability efforts by providing recyclable/reusable option.  
COMPANY NAME - Boulder, CO 2003 to 2005  
Project Manager & Freight/Logistics Manager  
Held dual role for provider of gift card packaging solutions and promotional programs with \$30M in annual revenues and 15 employees. Oversaw production schedules and liaised between in-house staff and vendors in Asia to ensure product quality and process efficiency. Created various systems and programs to improve workflow and save project time and expenses. Developed reverse production schedules to coordinate client and vendor timelines and expectations.  
• Devised and implemented highly effective freight optimization software which was adopted by ABC (Company Name's largest





# RESUME ANALYTICS



Number of jobs

Years experience

University & College

GPA

Jane Smith	
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Career Objective	Administrative Assistant with 6+ years of experience working directly for the President of 3M Inc., a Fortune 500 company. Possesses impeccable written and verbal communication skills and excellent interpersonal skills.
Core Competencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Customer Service</li><li>• Cost Efficient</li><li>• Detailed and Organized</li><li>• Supplier Relationship</li></ul>
Professional Experience	<b>3M INC., New York, NY</b> <i>Administrative Assistant, Apr 2006-present</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read and analyze incoming memos, submissions, and reports to determine their significance and plan their distribution.</li><li>• Conduct Research, compile data, and prepare papers for consideration and presentation by executives, committees and boards of directors.</li><li>• Coordinate and direct office services, such as records, departmental finances, budget preparation, personnel issues, and housekeeping, to aid executives.</li><li>• Prepare invoices, reports, memos, letters, financial statements and other documents, using word processing, spreadsheet, database, or presentation software.</li></ul> <b>FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, ORLANDO, FL</b> <i>Rehabilitation Counselor, Aug 2004-May 2006</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Confer with clients to discuss their options and goals so that rehabilitation programs and plans for accessing needed services can be developed.</li><li>• Prepare and maintain records and case files, including documentation such as clients' personal and eligibility information, services provided, narratives of client contacts, and relevant correspondence.</li><li>• Develop and maintain relationships with community referral sources, such as schools and community groups.</li><li>• Analyze information from interviews, educational and medical records, consultation with other professionals, and diagnostic evaluations to assess clients' abilities, needs, and eligibility for services.</li></ul>
Education	<b>FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, Orlando, FL</b> <i>Bachelor of Science in English, May 2004</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GPA: 3.3/4.0</li><li>• Published in school's newspaper editorial</li><li>• Summer Internship for the New York Times</li></ul>
Additional Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proficient in Microsoft Office and Adobe Illustrator CS5</li><li>• Bilingual in Spanish and English</li><li>• Certified CPR and First Aid</li></ul>
Awards and Honors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Employee of the Month for 3 consecutive months in H&amp;M</li><li>• Won the "Writer's Digest" 2002 Award</li><li>• Awarded an employee travel award due to "Performance Excellence" 2 years in a row through 3M Inc.</li></ul>



# HUMAN BIAS

## ATTRACTIVENESS



## GENDER



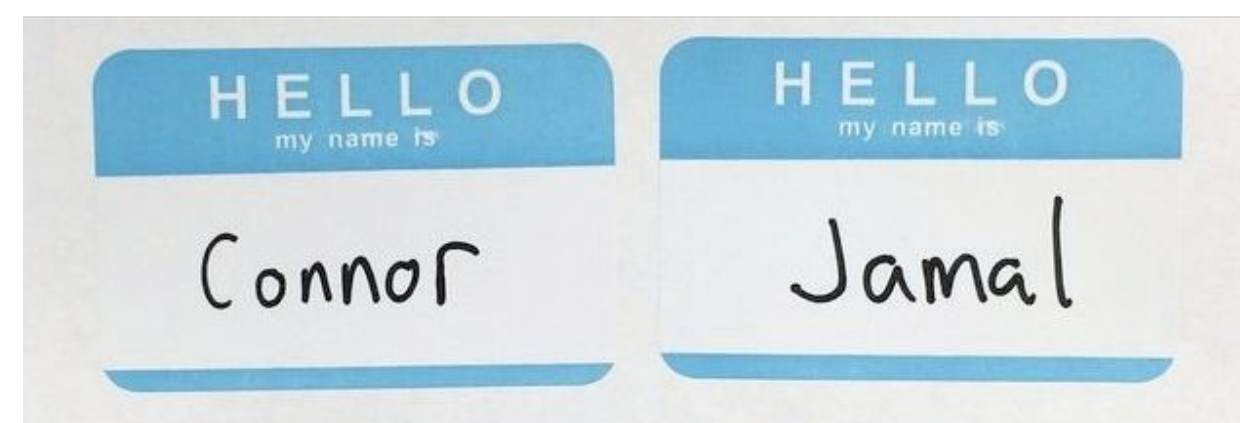
## AGE



## SIMILARITY

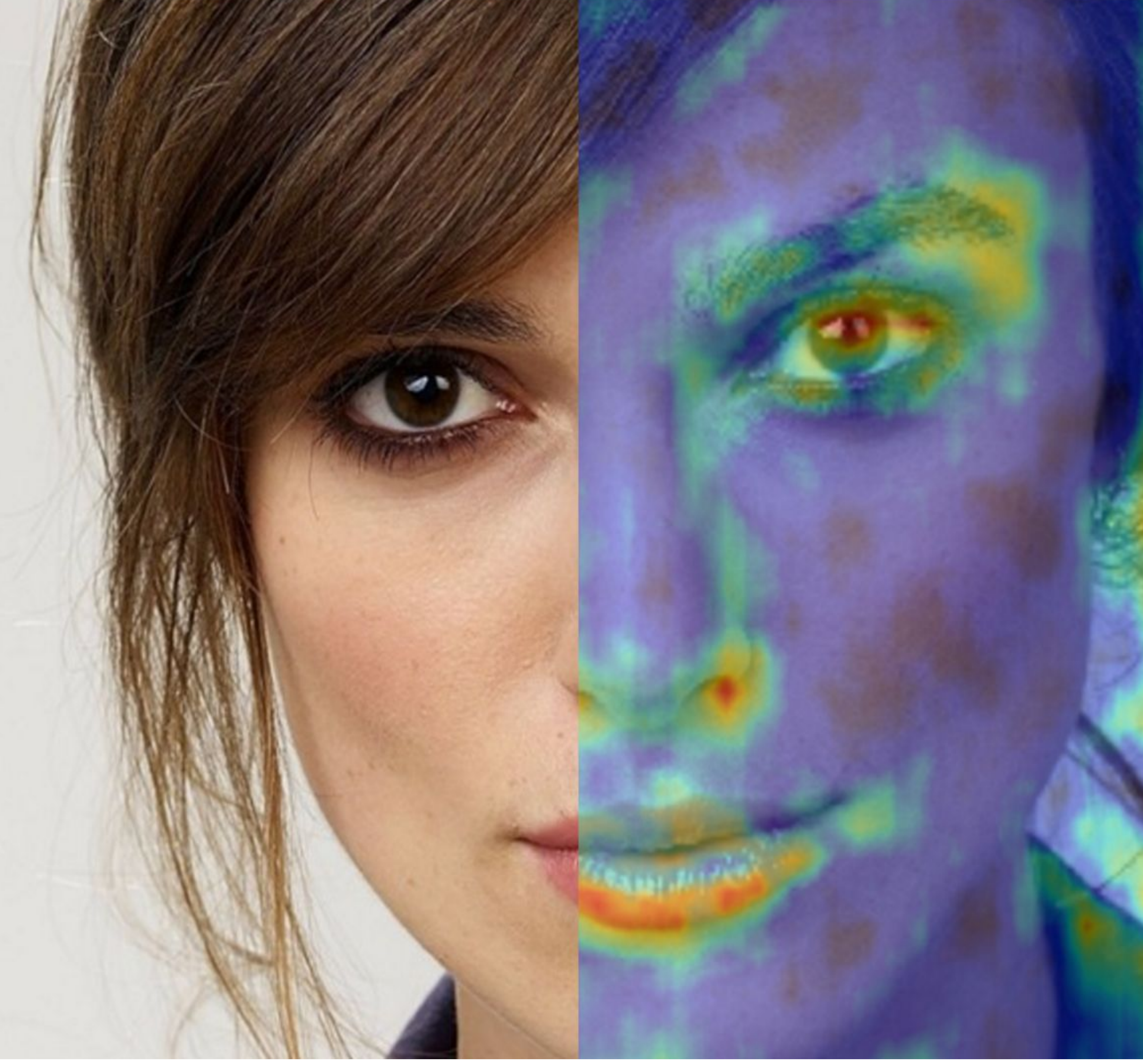


## RACE





# ATTRACTIVENESS BIAS

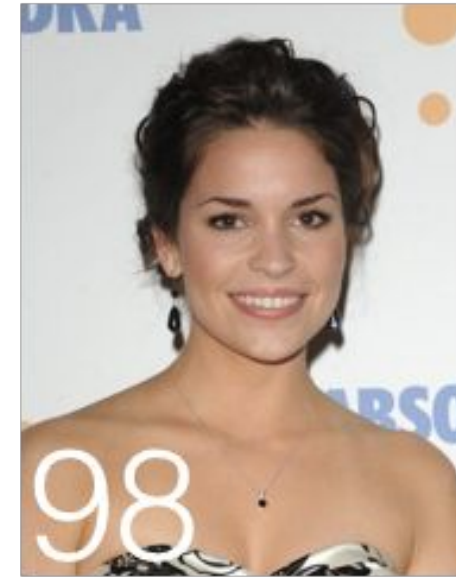




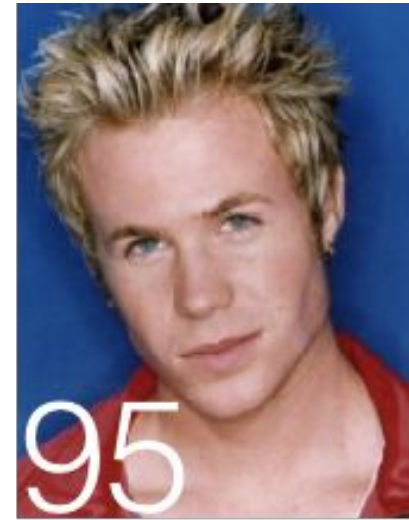
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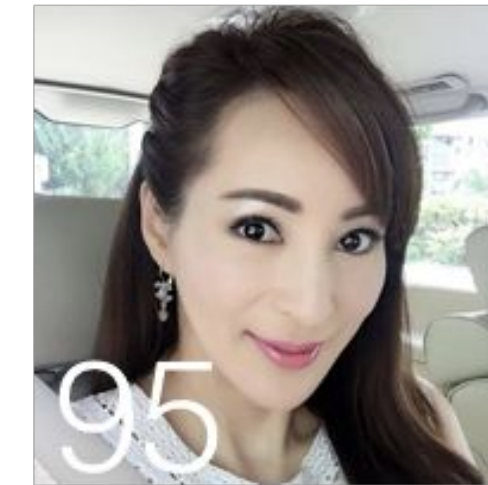
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Mandy Musgrave



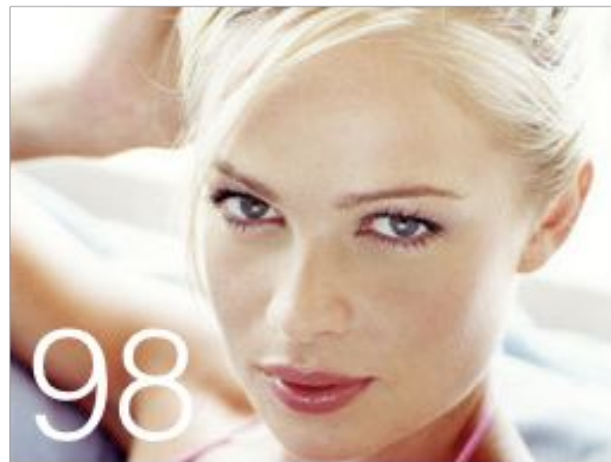
Ashley Parker Angel



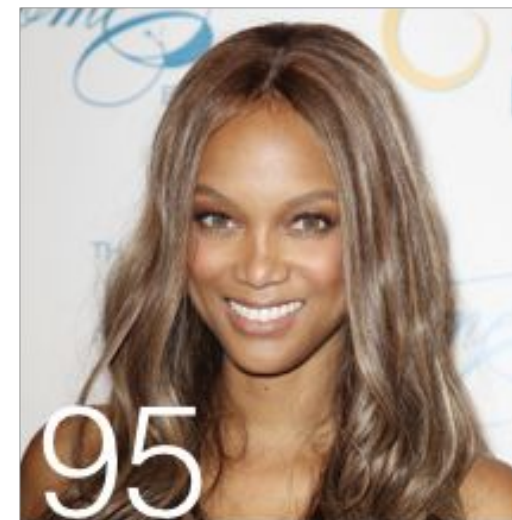
Candy Lo



Joshua Kadison



Imogen Bailey



Tyra Banks



Tyson Ballou



Carlos Bernard



Bev Perdue



Andrei Kirilenko



Sonny Perdue



Margaret Hodge



Chuck Grassley



# ATTRACTIVENESS BIAS

RETAIL ASSOCIATE FOR A  
TRENDY CLOTHING STORE:

CHANCE OF BEING HIRED  
FOR 7/10 IS **2 X** THAN 3/10.





vodafone

IBM Watson

Unilever

UNDER ARMOUR.

dunkin'  
brands.

STANCE 

overstock.

HILTON  
WORLDWIDE

HBO

ORACLE

Honeywell

Carnival

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 | DOW JONES

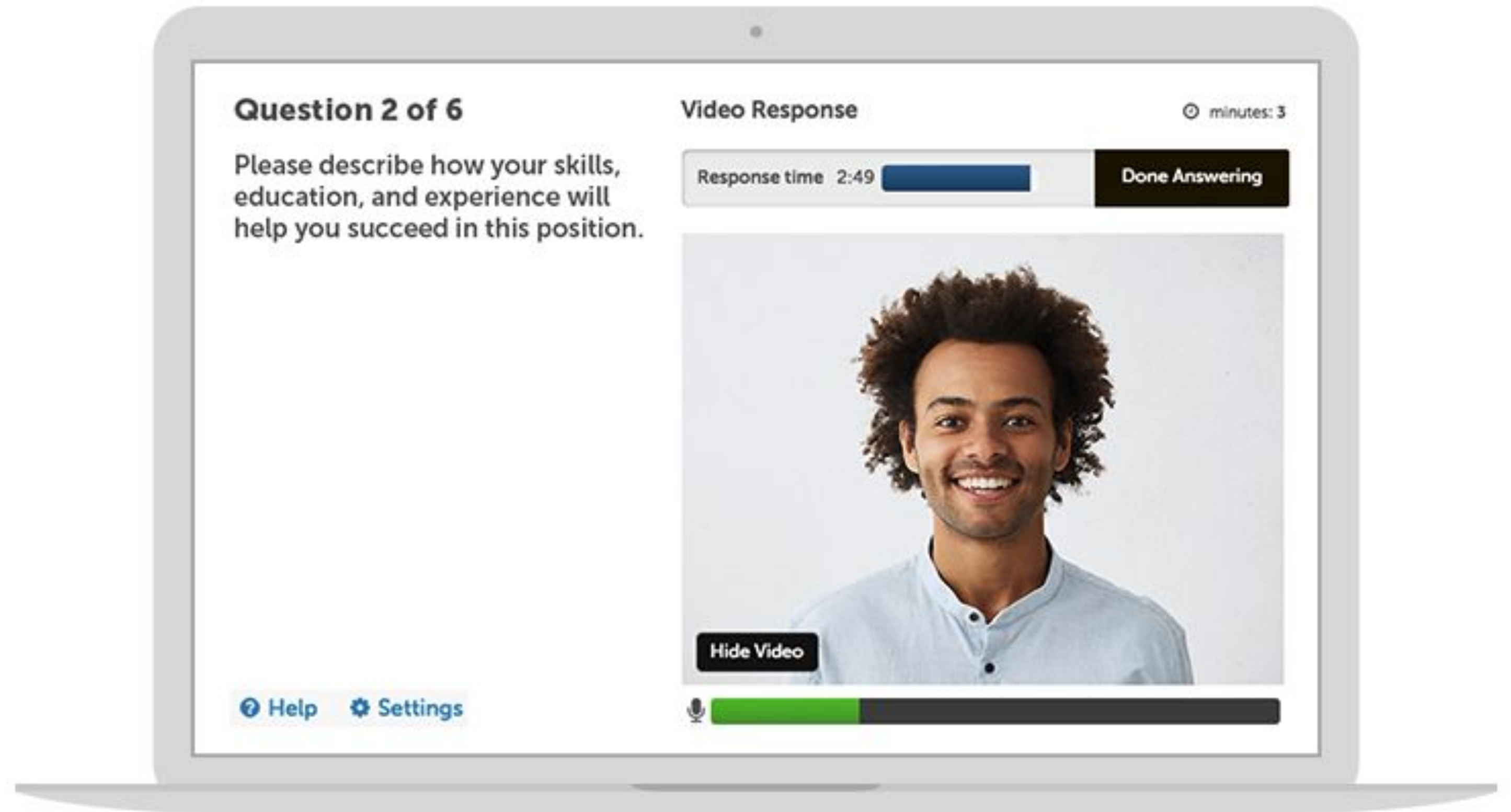


URBAN OUTFITTERS





# ON DEMAND VIDEO INTERVIEWS





# CODING CHALLENGES



Evaluating candidates for Java Software Engineer

Filter candidates

Sort by Random

Jessica Landon

★★★★★

Undecided

Laura Pinnacle

★★★★★

Undecided

Adam Hilger

★★★★★

Yes

Amanda Chen

★★★★★

Undecided

John Ekling

★★★★★

Yes

Calvin Hopkins

★★★☆☆

No

Bianca Ortega

★★★★★

Undecided

Samson Fleckler

★★★★★

Undecided

Jessica Landon

Profile

Tags

Evaluators +

Average Rating  
(1 of 6 responses rated)

Average CodeVue Score

My Recommendation

★★★★★

58%

Undecided

Question

Tests

C++

Score: 100%

Add Number Series

Difficulty: Easy

Time Limit: No limit

Description

Write a program that, given an integer, sums all the numbers from 1 through that integer (both inclusive). Do not include in your sum any of the intermediate numbers (1 and n inclusive) that are divisible by 5 or 7.

Input

Your program should read lines from standard input. Each line contains a positive integer.

Output

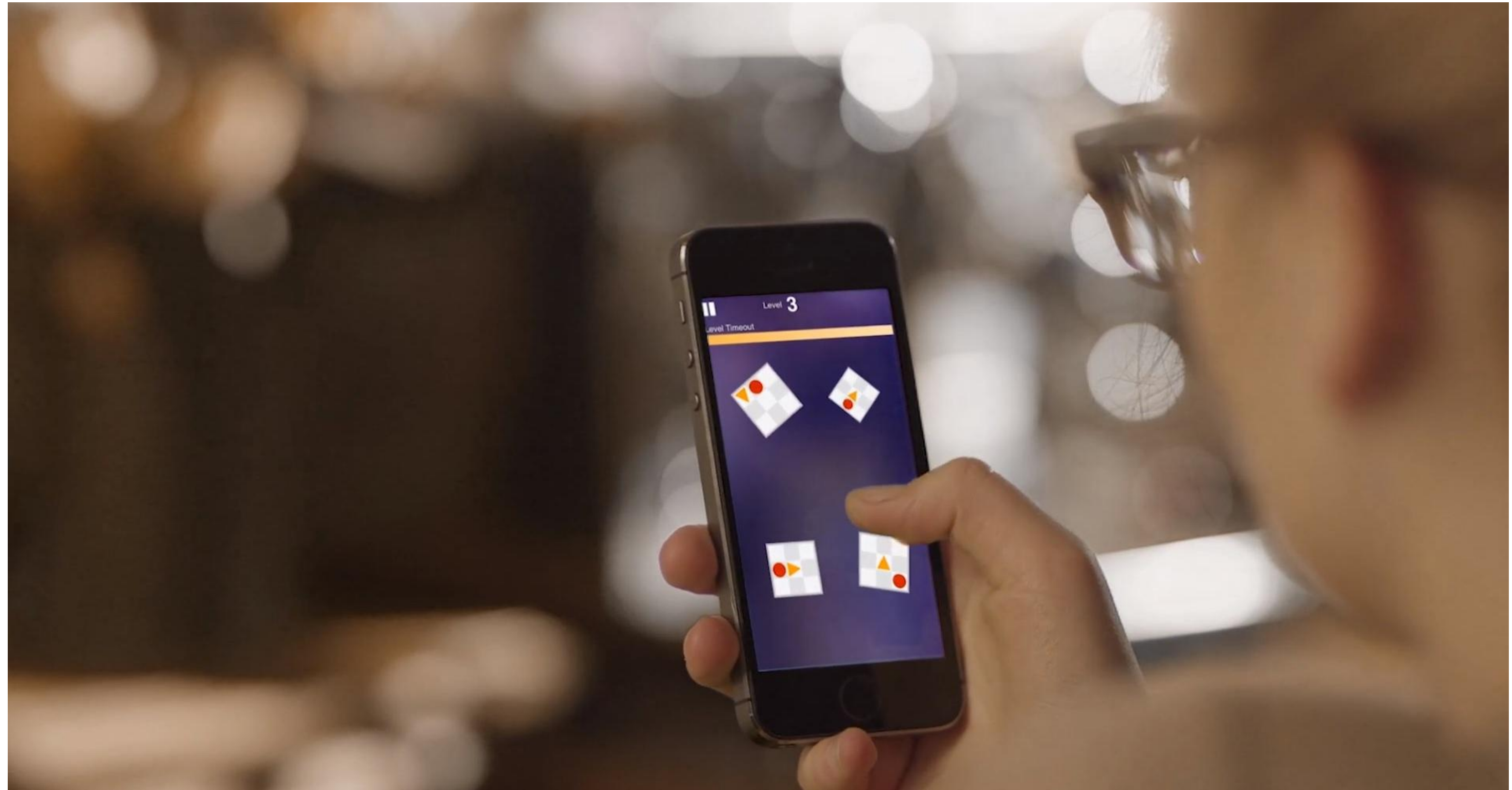
For each line of input, print to standard output the sum of the numbers from 1 through n, disregarding those divisible by 5 and 7. Print out

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <stdlib.h>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    string line;
    while (getline(cin, line)) {
        int n = atoi(line.c_str());
        int sum = 0;
        for(int x = 1; x<=n ; x++) {
            if (x % 5 == 0 || x % 7 == 0) {
                continue;
            }
            sum += x;
        }
        cout << sum << endl;
    }
}
```



# COGNITIVE & SOCIAL GAMES









# HIREVUE SCIENCE TEAM

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## IO PSYCHOLOGISTS

Global Team, Customer Facing,  
Assessment Design, Validation, Legal  
Defensibility

- 5 Ph.D. IO Psychologists
- 8 Master's Degrees in IO Psychology

## DATA SCIENTISTS

AI Research, AI Development, Analytics

- 4 Ph.D. Data Scientists (Physics, Bioengineering, Mathematics)
- 3 Master's Degrees (Computer Science, Image Analysis, Economics, etc.)

## PRODUCT TEAM

Product Strategy, Design, Development

- Ph.D. and Master's Degree in Software Development and Video Analytics

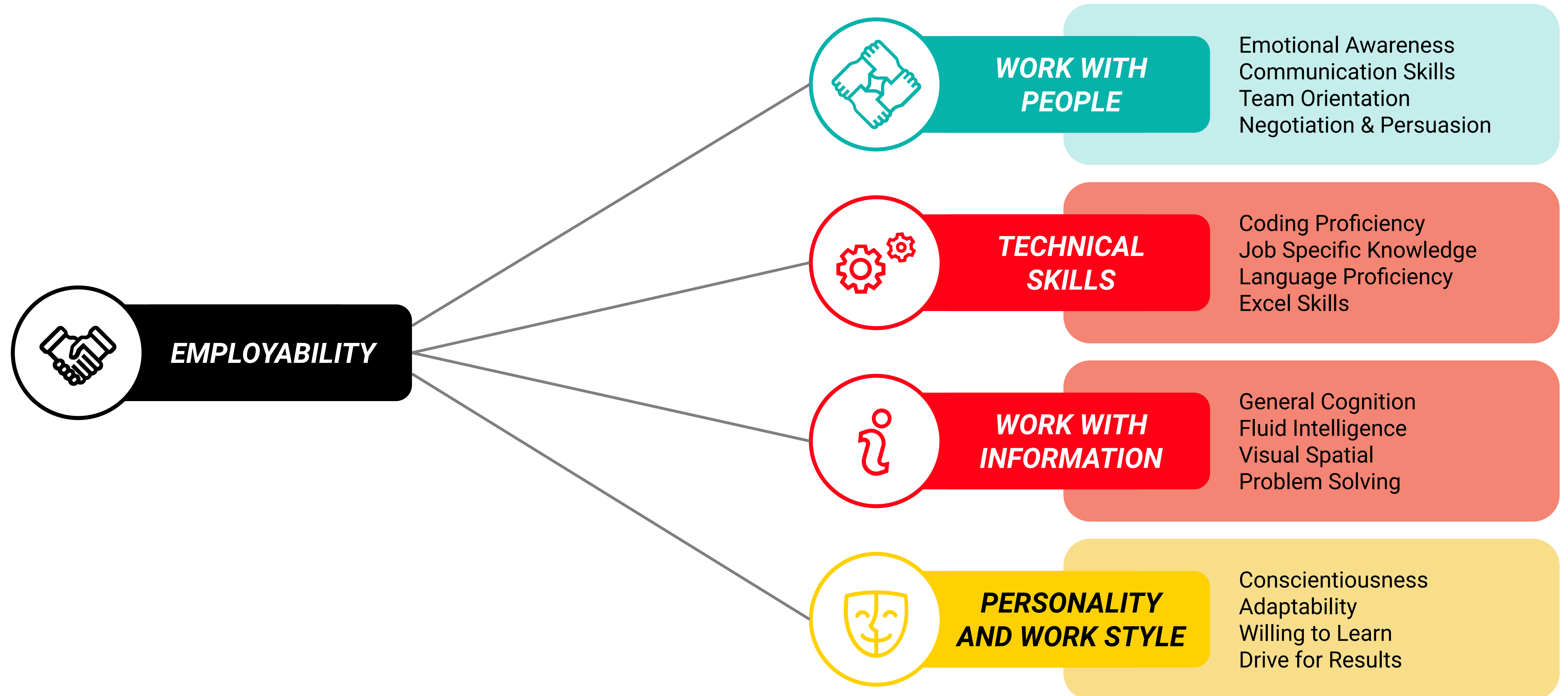
## EXPERT ADVISORY BOARD

Leading Experts in IO Psychology, Data Security and Privacy, Algorithmic Fairness, and Deep Learning applications



# COMPETENCY-BASED MODEL

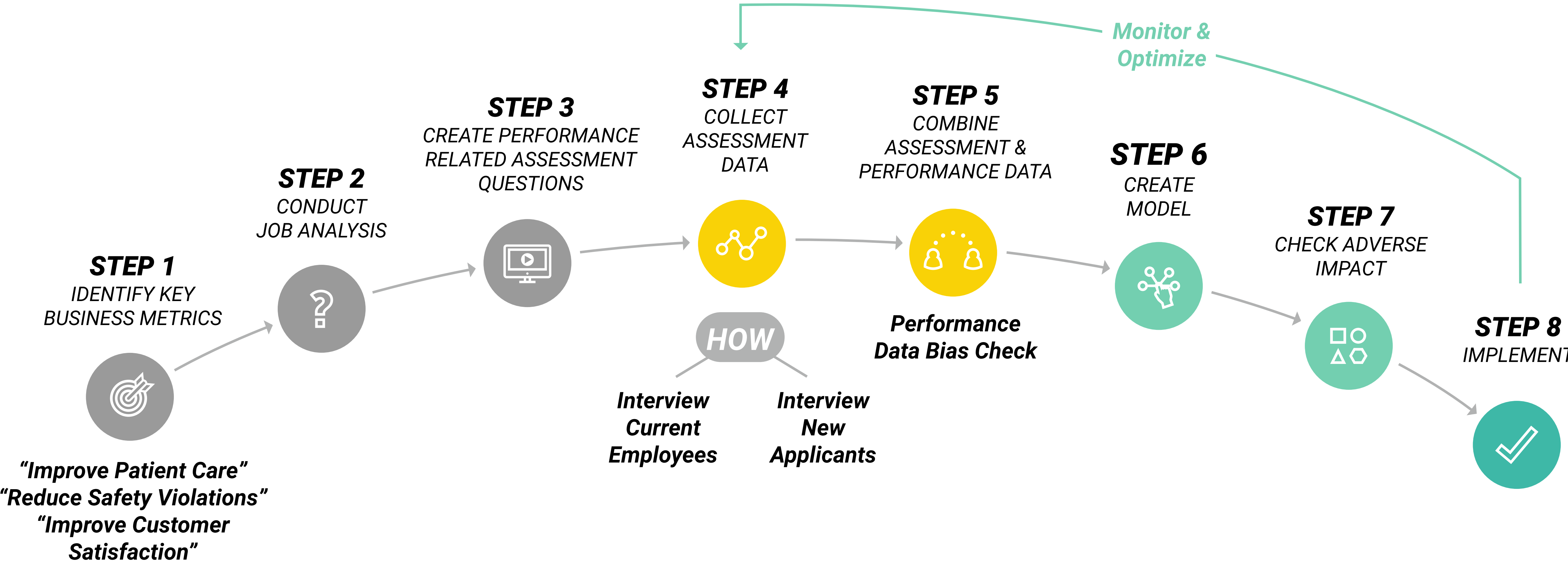
Measure competencies most relevant to job-specific performance





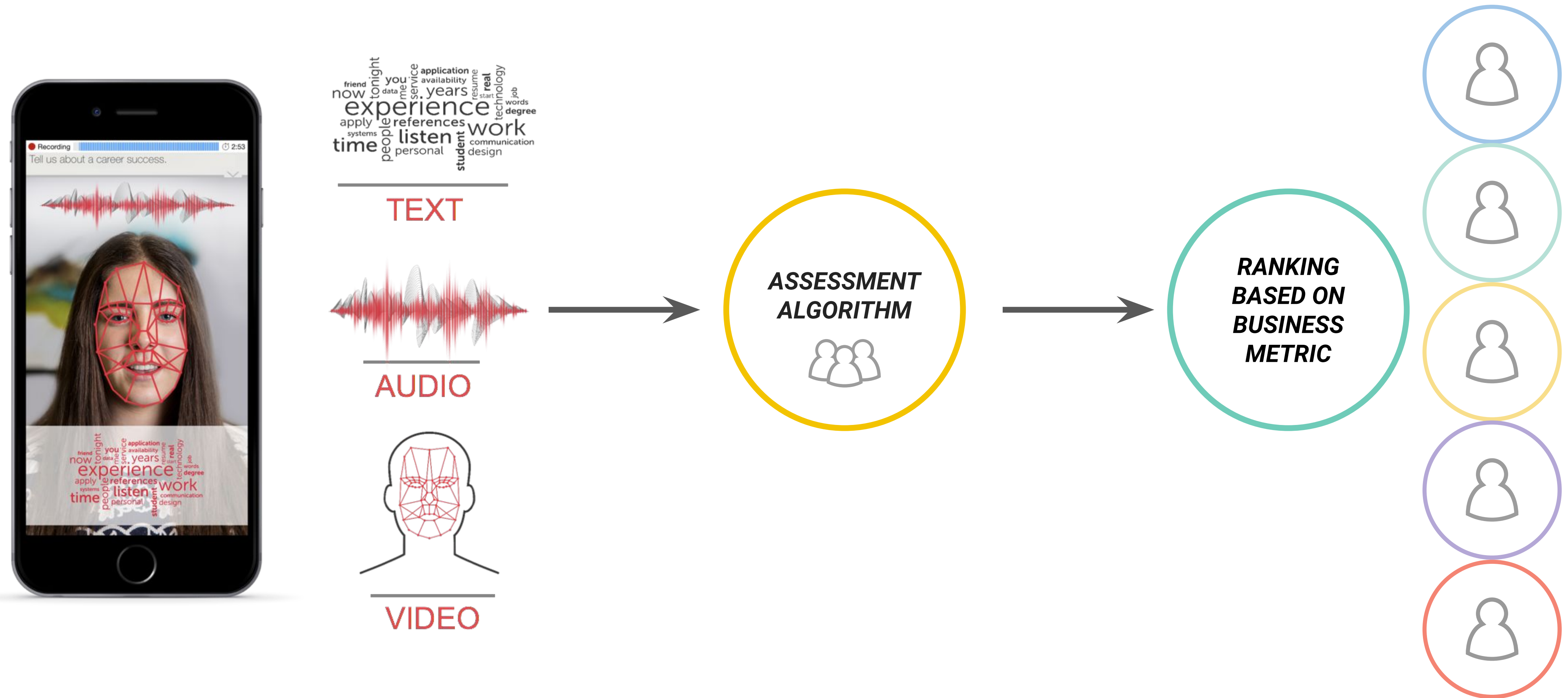
# HIREVUE ASSESSMENTS

BUILD PROCESS AND STRATEGY





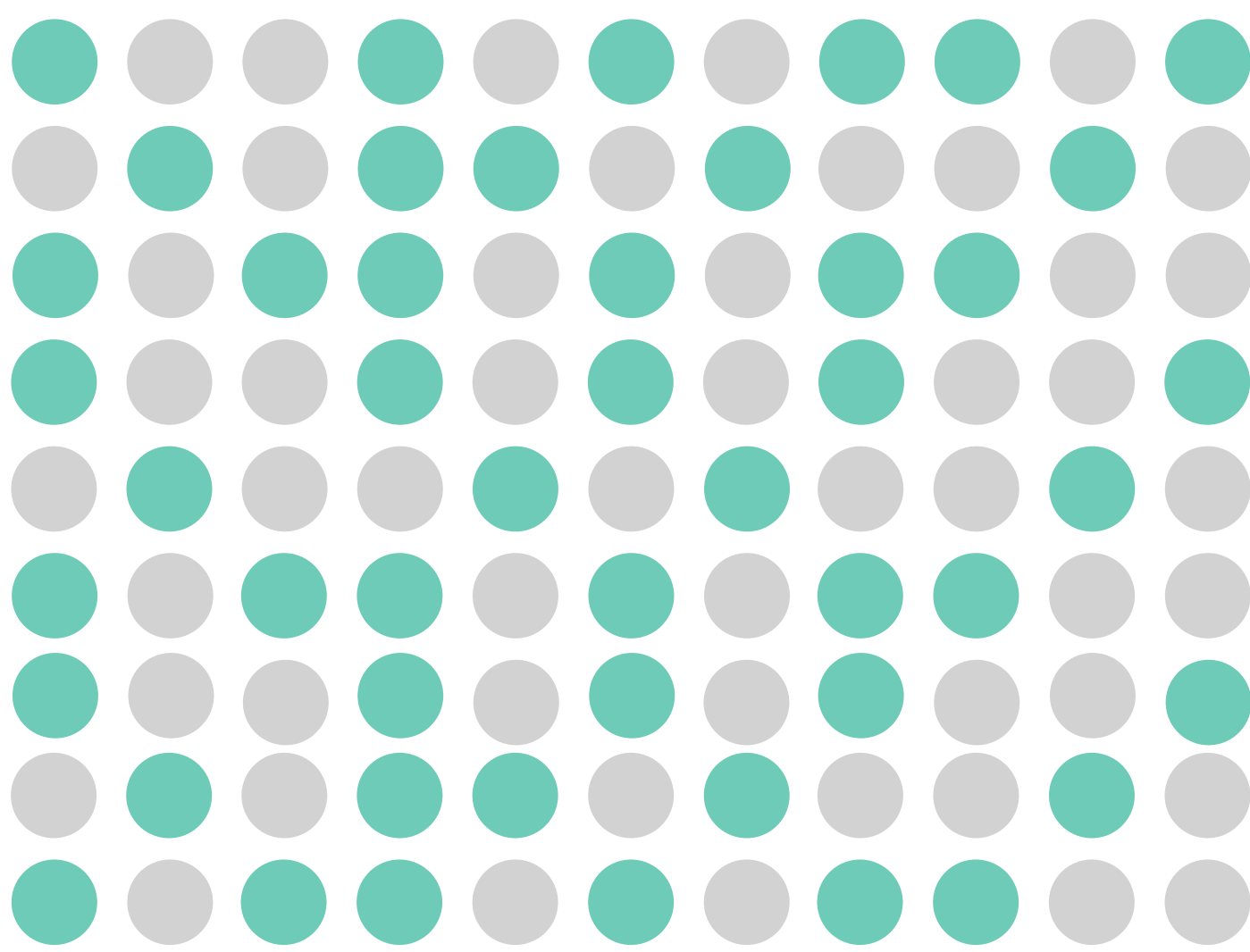
# DIGITAL ASSESSMENTS



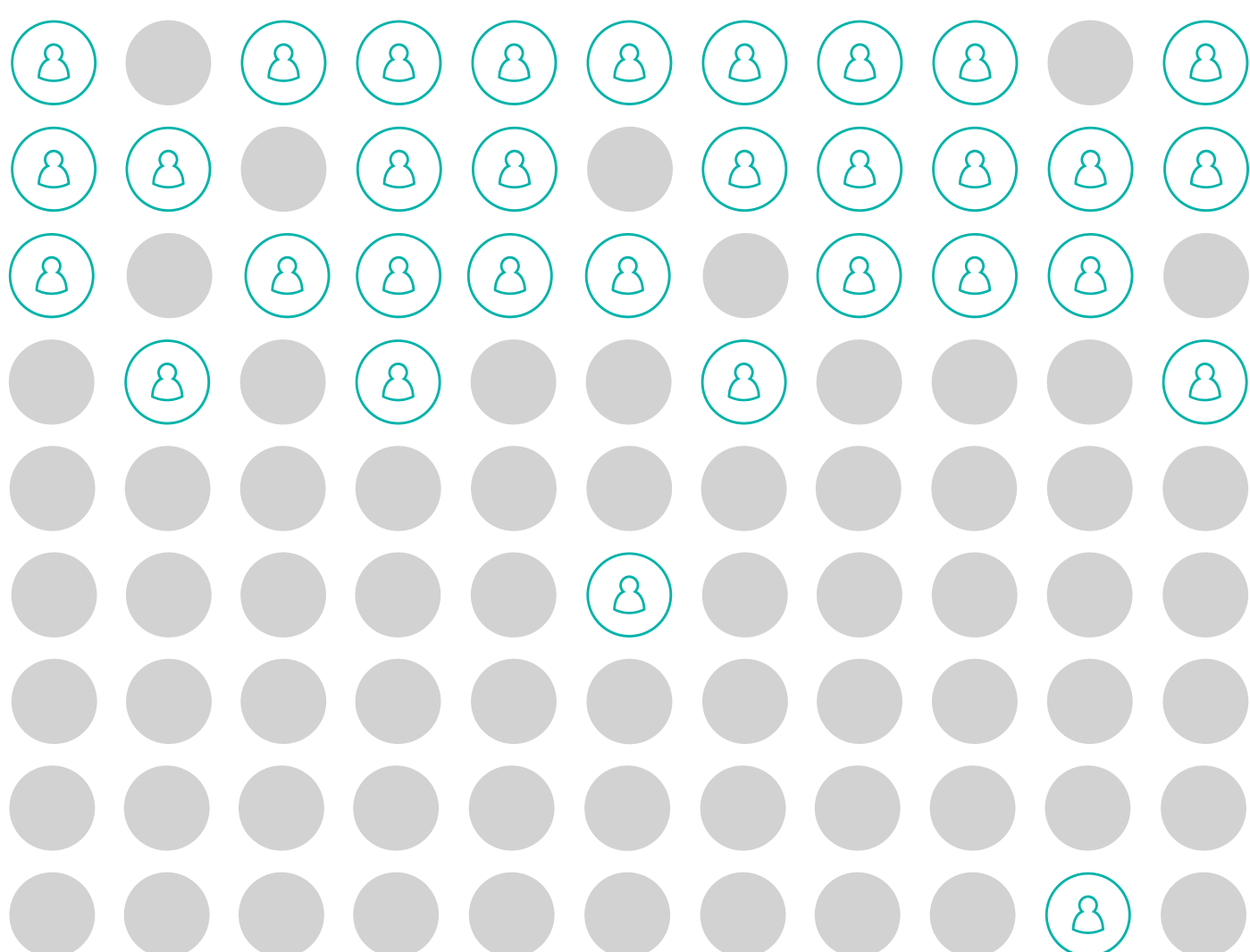


# DIGITAL ASSESSMENTS

*TOP CANDIDATE DISTRIBUTION WITHOUT ASSESSMENTS*



*TOP CANDIDATE DISTRIBUTION WITH ASSESSMENTS*



*Out of the people hired, humans have a 0.55 AUC at predicting top performers, our models have a 0.66 AUC.*



# WHAT ABOUT BIAS?





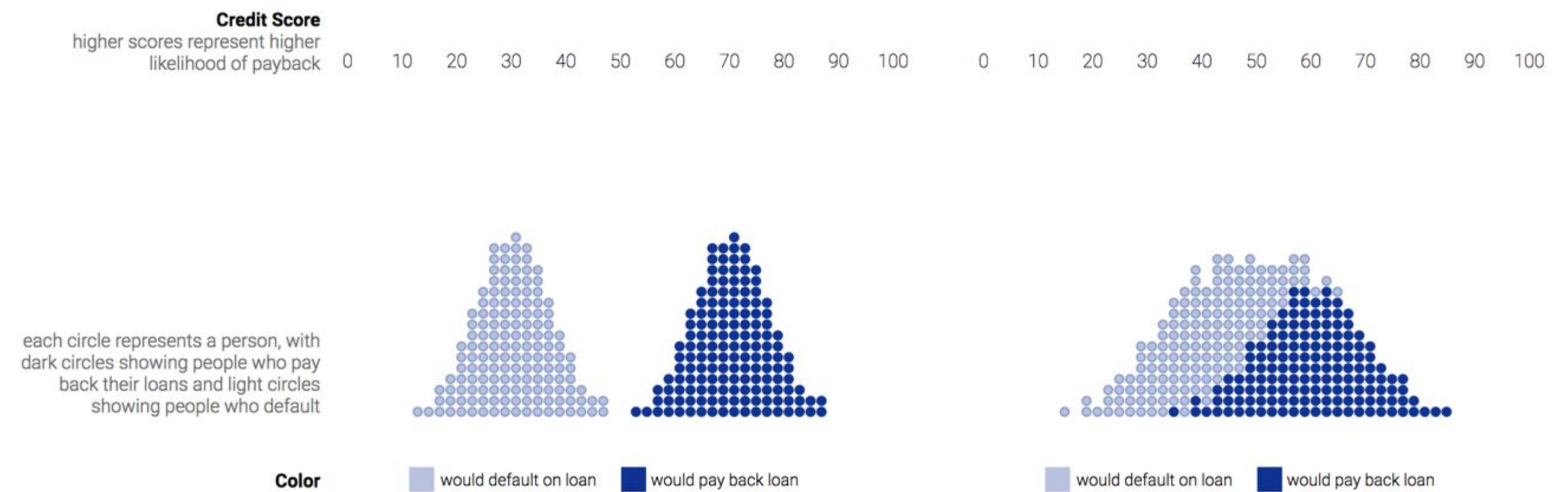
# FAIRNESS

## Attacking discrimination with smarter machine learning

Loan applicants: two scenarios

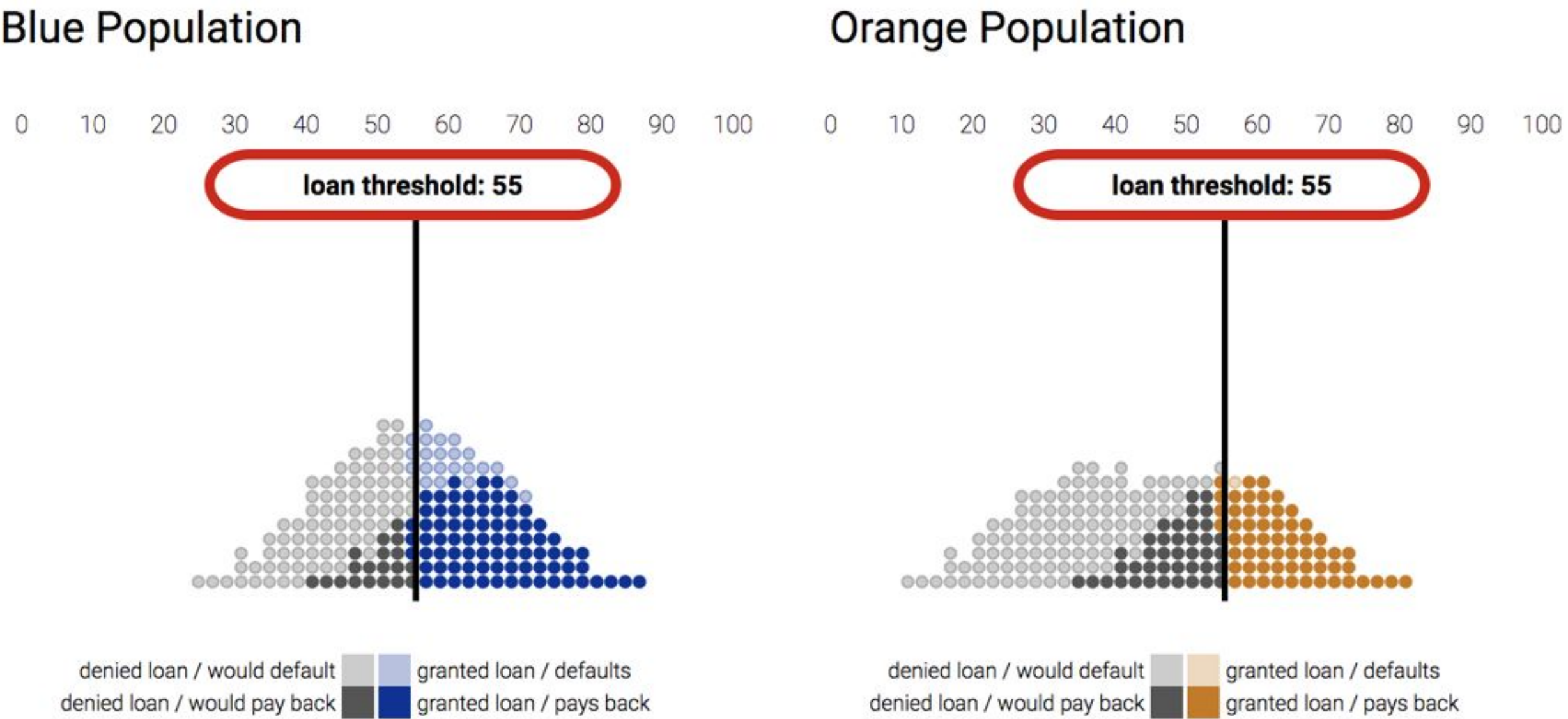
A. Clean separation

B. Overlapping categories

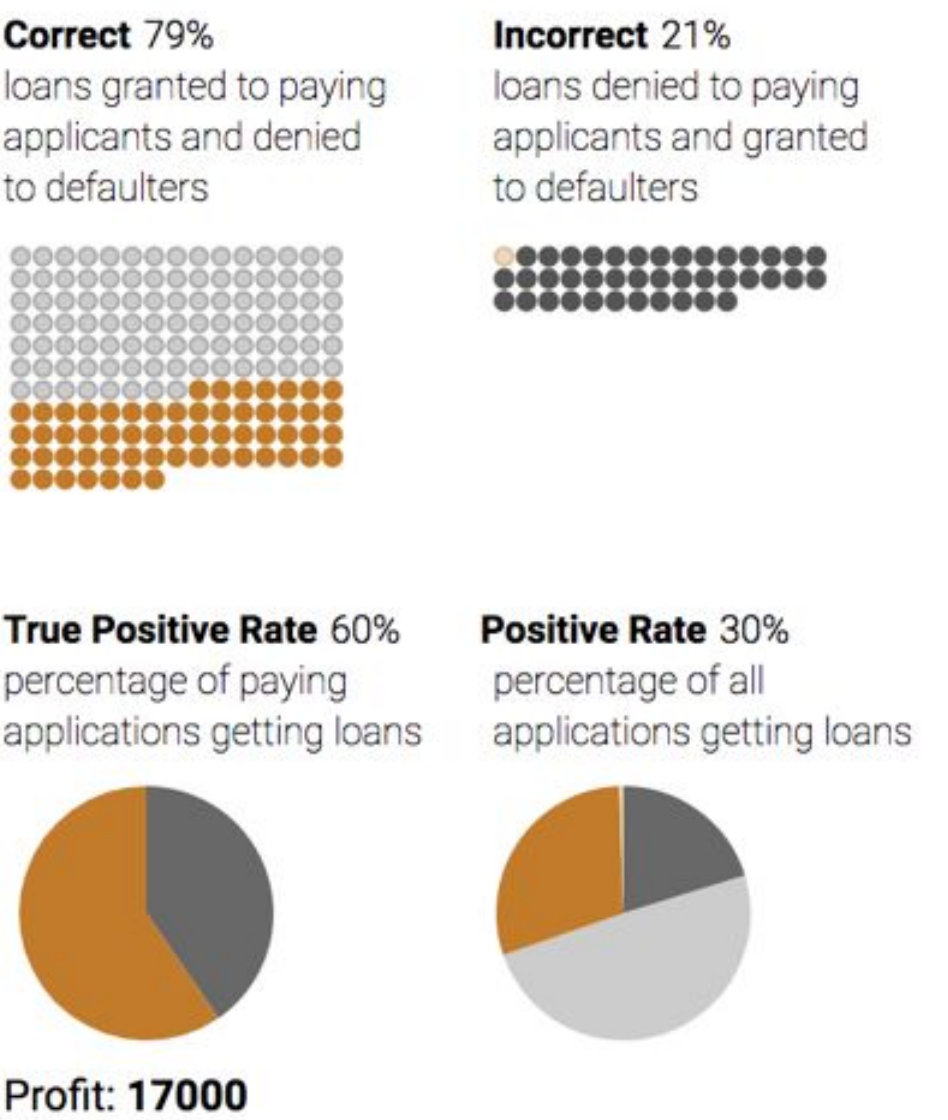
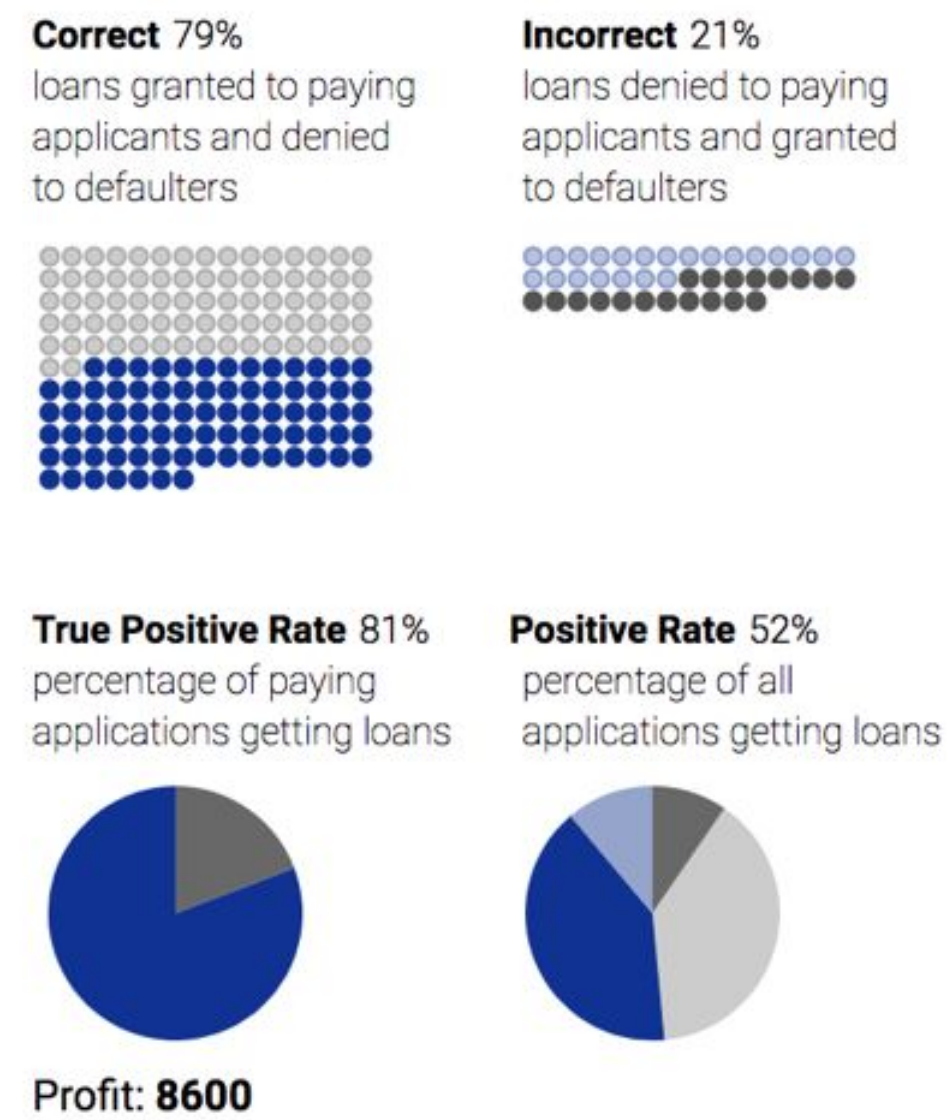




# FAIRNESS



Total profit = 25600



# HIRING





# JOB ASSESSMENTS

## AVOIDING ADVERSE IMPACT:

### “THE 4/5<sup>THS</sup> RULE”

~~—*DEMOGRAPHIC PARITY:  $P(Y=1|C_1) = P(Y=1|C_2)$* —~~

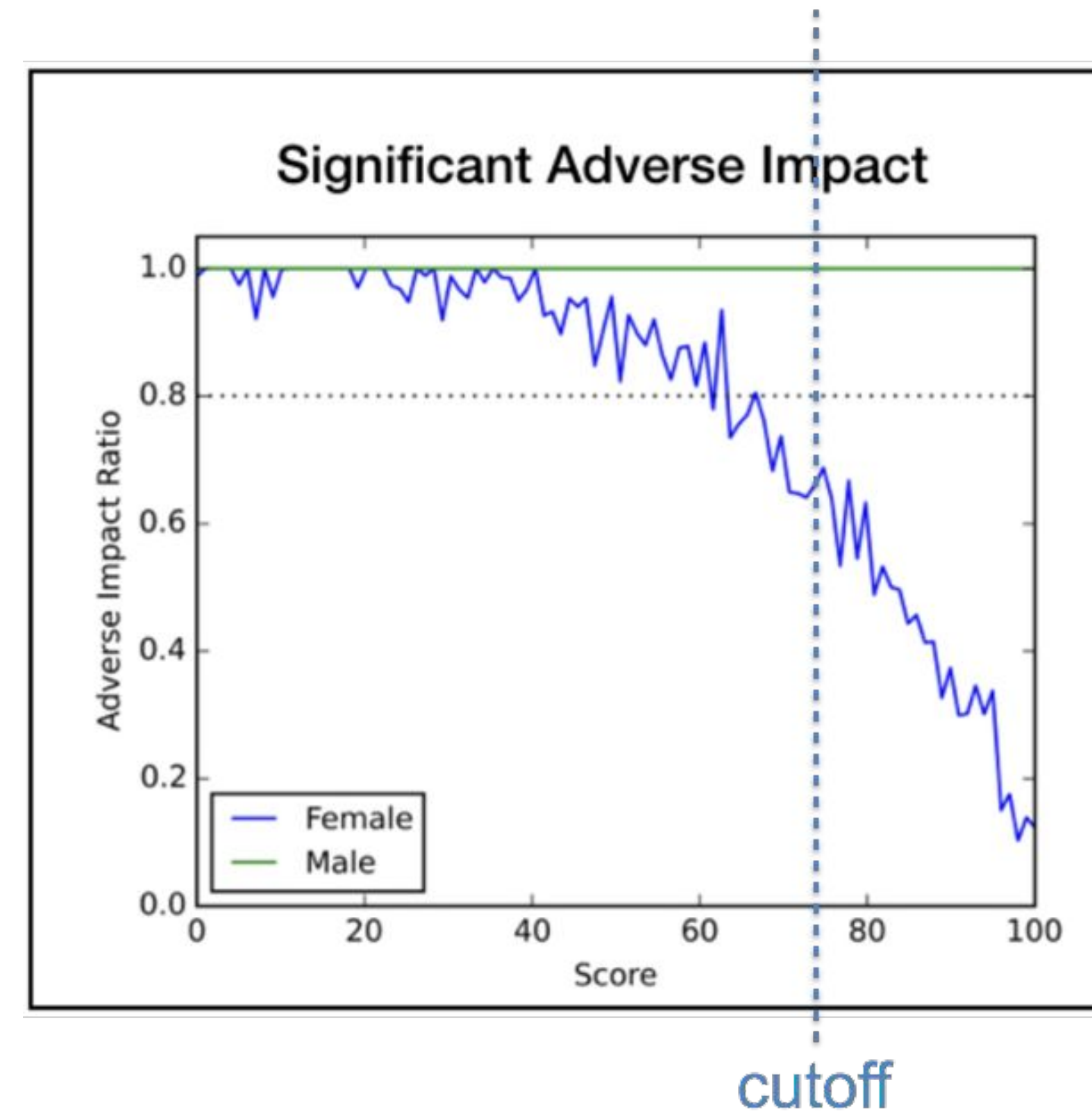
“The passing rate for any group should not be less than 80% (or 4/5<sup>ths</sup>) of the highest scoring group.”

$$P(Y=1|C_1) > 0.8 \times P(Y=1|C_2)$$

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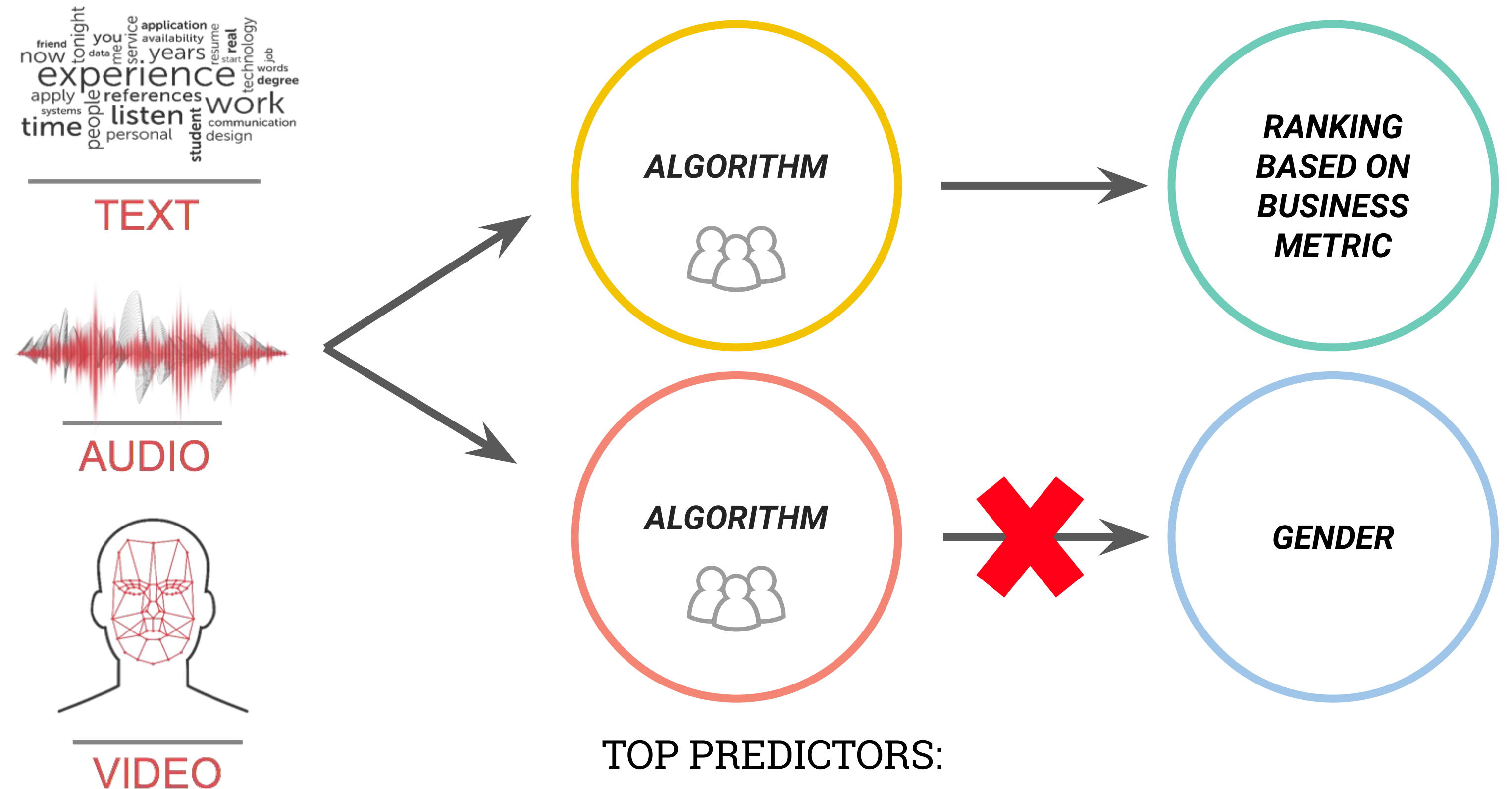




# JOB ASSESSMENTS

AVOIDING  
ADVERSE IMPACT:

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TOP PREDICTORS:

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~~Feature222~~

~~Feature978~~

~~Feature8931~~

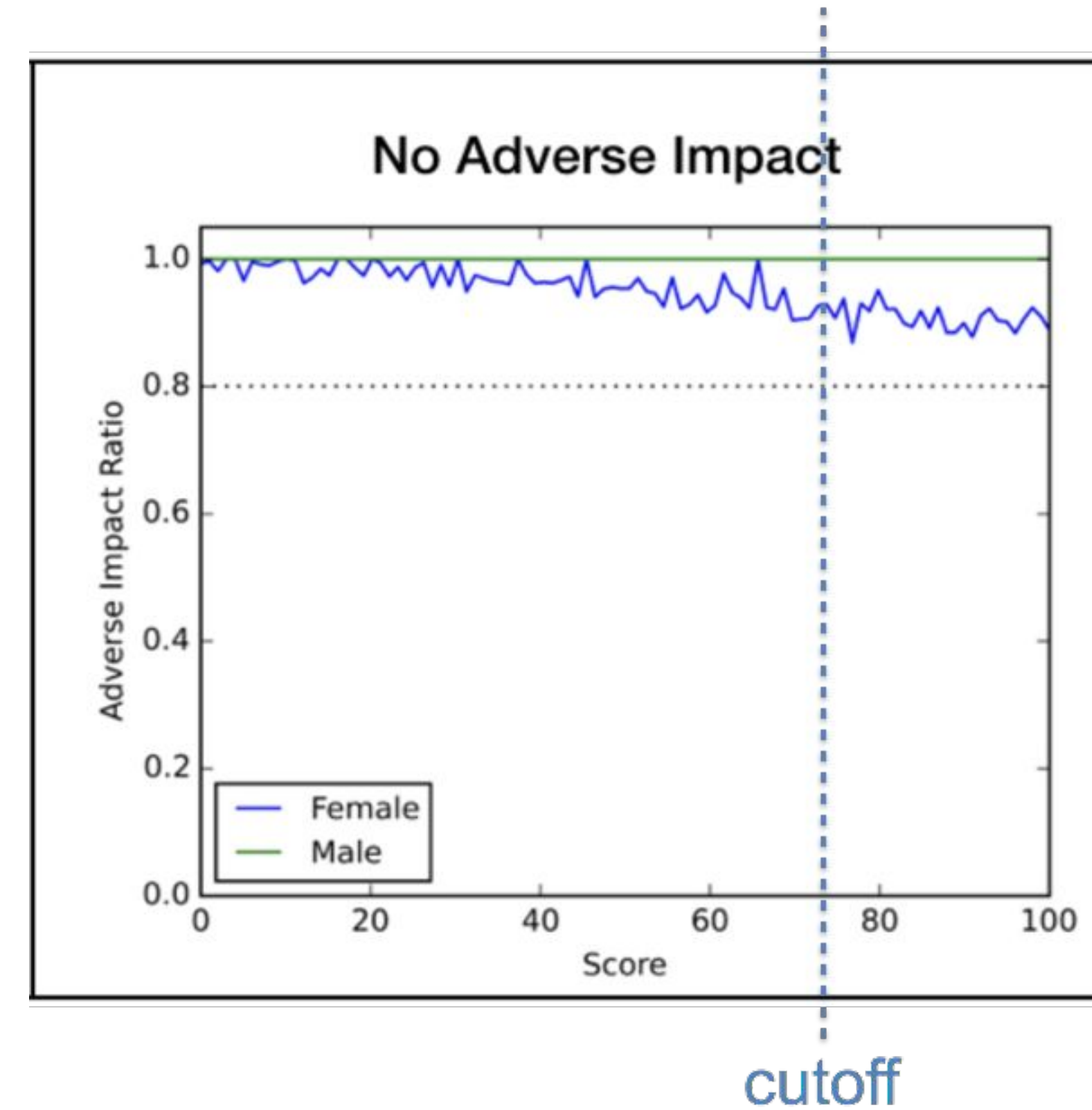
Feature1244

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# JOB ASSESSMENTS

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# AI FOR HIRING



## BEST PRACTICES:

- ❖ Understand and control what features go into the model.
- ❖ Strive to use features that are not tightly tied to class.
- ❖ Strive to make the algorithm blind to age, race, and gender.
- ❖ Validate and test continuously.

# AI FOR HIRING



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# BEYOND THE 4/5THS RULE

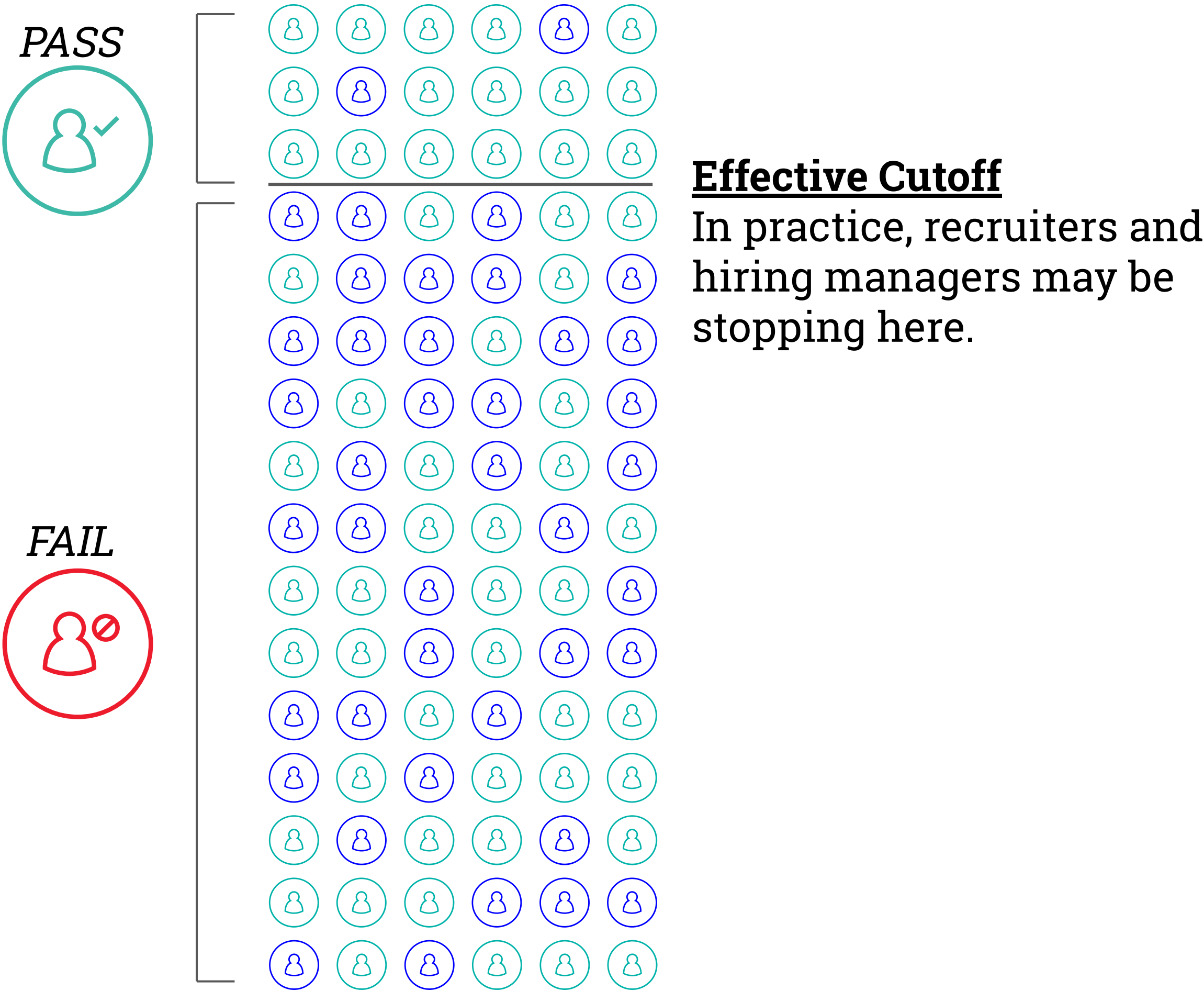
- ❖ **Equalized Odds: We can satisfy the 4/5ths Rule at the cost/benefit of certain groups.**
- ❖ **In-class AUC**
- ❖ **Group Distribution in the Ranking:  
Proportion of in-group/out-group pairs where the in-group example is ranked higher.**



# ADVERSE IMPACT IN RANKING SCHEMES



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# AI FOR HIRING



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  - Evaluator Assignment
  - How do we understand and explain human decisions?

# FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- ❖ Working fairness into model optimization at training time
- ❖ More powerful algorithms that are explainable
- ❖ Matching - More candidate-centric view
- ❖ Diversity of teams
- ❖ The rest of the hiring funnel - sourcing, recruiting, etc.



# AI FOR HIRING



## BIAS, AI ETHICS, AND THE HIREVUE APPROACH

<https://www.hirevue.com/why-hirevue/ethical-ai>

### HIREVUE EXPERT ADVISORY BOARD

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**Thank you**