



AI TO HIRE

THE IMPACT OF AI ON MERITOCRATIC
RECRUITMENT IN THE WORK PLACE

WHAT IS AI RECRUITMENT?

- Application of artificial intelligence with predictive analysis that helps in recruiting automation.
- Also called smart recruitment as it reduces the workload for recruiters, increases hire quality, avoids repetitive tasks, and uses time effectively.
- Around 42% & more than 5000 companies in the US have shifted to AI recruitment.

TOOLS USED IN AI RECRUITMENT



SCREENING
SOFTWARE

CHAT BOTS

OPTIMISE JOB
DESCRIPTION

DECIDE ON
COMPENSATION

VIDEO
INTERVIEWS

HYPOTHESIS STATEMENT

AI hiring would lead to less bias and more equitable/ inclusive practices in recruiting.

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EDUCATION

Columbia University, MS-PhD Program (Computer Science)

Sept 2009 – present

Brooklyn College, B.S. (Computer and Information Sciences)

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Summa cum laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Spoken Language Processing

I am currently working with Dr. Julia Hirschberg on investigating and modelling entrainment in spoken corpora. Among other topics, I am interested in the identification of the acoustic, prosodic and conversational features on which speakers entrain, at what point conversational partners entrain, and what entrainment can add to our understanding of discourse acts such as turn taking.

HONORS AND AWARDS

• Honorable Mention, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship

2009

• CRA-DREU participant

Summer 2009

• Frank Wertheimer Award

2009

Awarded by the Math Department at Brooklyn College for academic excellence.

• Jack Wolfe Award

2009

Awarded by the Computer Science Department at Brooklyn College for academic excellence.

• Marge Wagner Internship Award

Summer 2008

• National Merit Scholarship Finalist

2007

PROJECTS

Adult Perception of Emotional Speech in Children of Different Ages

For a class project in 2009, I had children from grades 1, 3 and 6 play a simple computer game that I created in Java. There were six rounds to the game, of which they won four rounds and lost two. After each round, they were asked to choose a prize if they had won or give one up if they had lost, providing us with a lexically neutral sample of happy or sad speech. Adults were then asked to rate the children’s speech using a web interface, indicating how old they thought the child was, whether they thought the child had won or lost, and how invested they thought the child was in the game. Examining the acoustic

SCENARIO

01

An illustration of a woman with long dark hair, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and dark pants, sitting on a blue chair and working on a laptop. A man with short dark hair, wearing an orange sweater and dark pants, sits opposite her on another blue chair, gesturing with his hands as if in conversation. They are at a small black table. In the background, there is a potted plant on a side table and a clock on the wall.

SCENARIO

02

An illustration of a woman with short dark hair, wearing a pink sleeveless dress, sitting on a white chair and looking at a computer monitor. The monitor shows a video call with a woman with glasses and dark hair. On the desk, there are some papers and a small plant. The background is a light blue wall with a clock and some papers pinned to it.

DISADVANTAGES

ANALYSIS



01 ALGORITHM BIAS

03 REGULATION

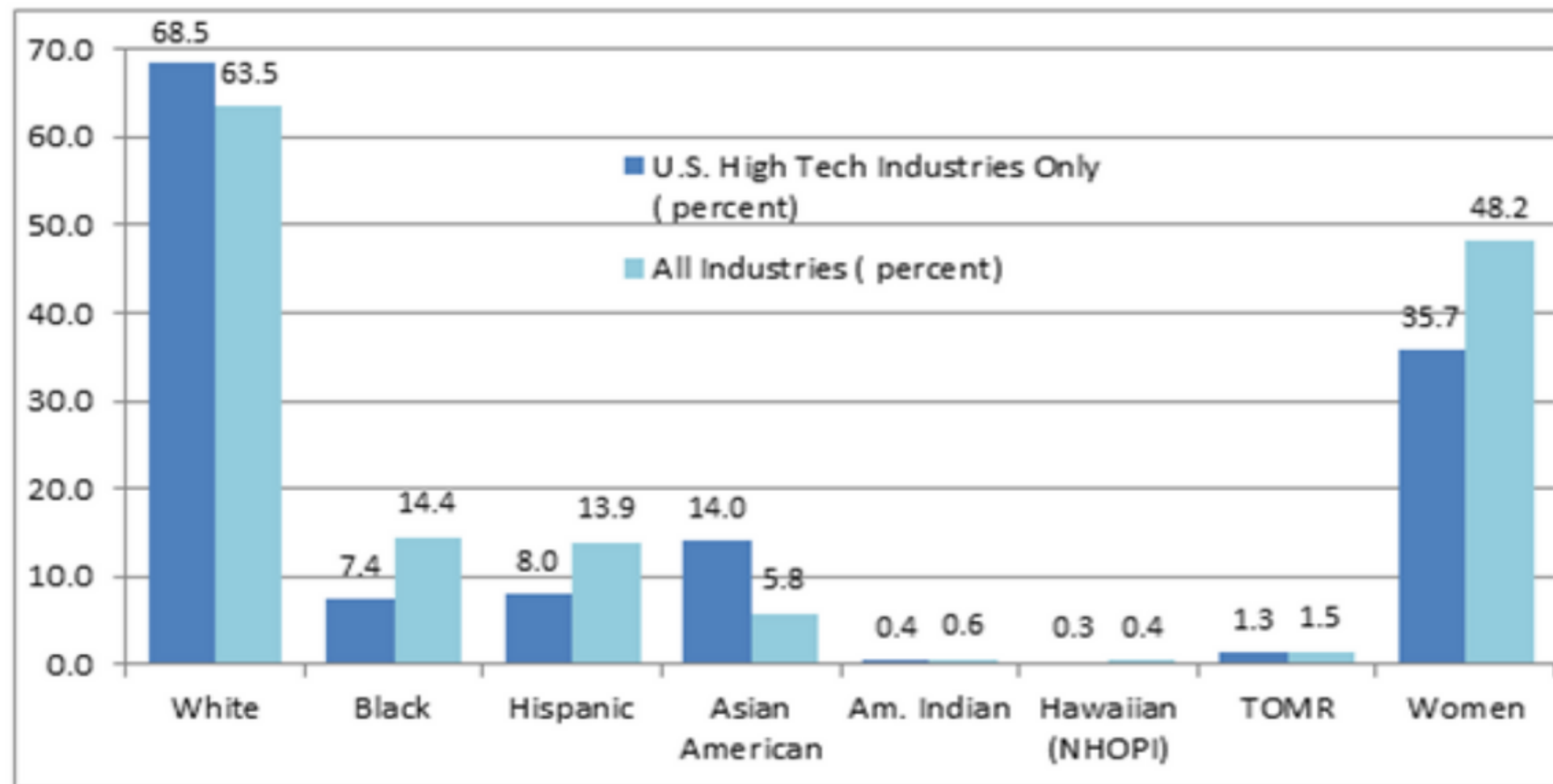
02 DISCRIMINATION



DISADVANTAGES

ALGORITHM BIAS

INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION BY GENDER SEX AND RACE GROUPS
HIGH TECH VS. ALL PRIVATE INDUSTRIES

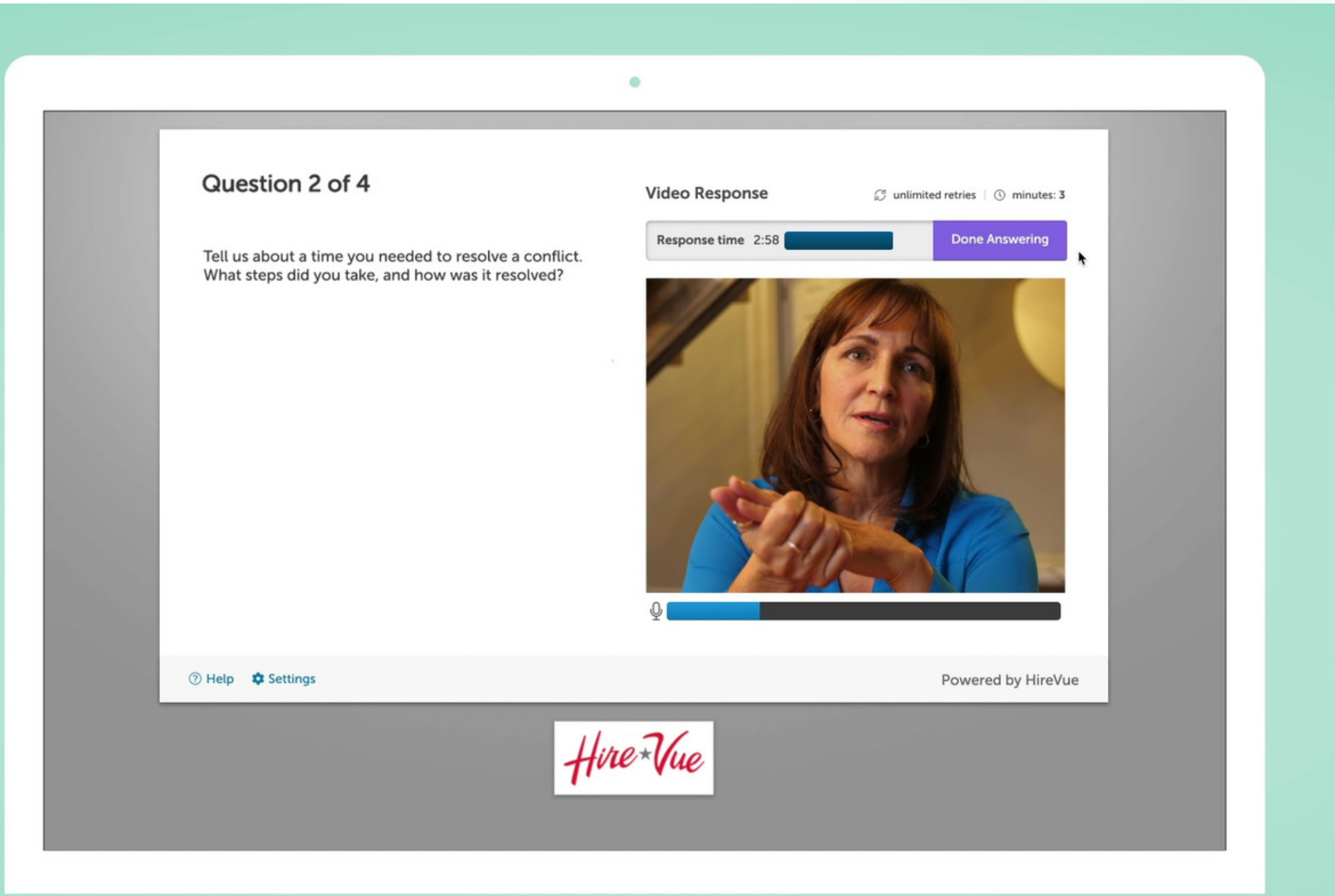


- AI Companies argue that their algorithms can determine a good employ from a bad one
 - Objective and Subjective data
 - 500,000 data points total
- Amazon's automated hiring tool
 - Due to Amazon's algorithm criteria, male resumes were favored over female resumes
 - 28 incorrect matches
- "How to Ace HireVue Interview"
 - Eye contact
 - Attire
 - enunciation
 - Sounding natural

DISADVANTAGES

DELIBRATE DISCRIMINATION

- The misconception is that the systems get rid of human bias, however, it just masks it under software and code.
- Data used to assess interviews are never made public
- Companies can hide their discrimination behind these AI's and wipe their hands clean in the eyes of the public.
- HireVue Class action lawsuit
 - They illegally collected biometric data from candidates without consent



DISADVANTAGES

LACK OF REGULATION AND
GOVERNANCE



**U.S. Equal Employment
Opportunity Commission**



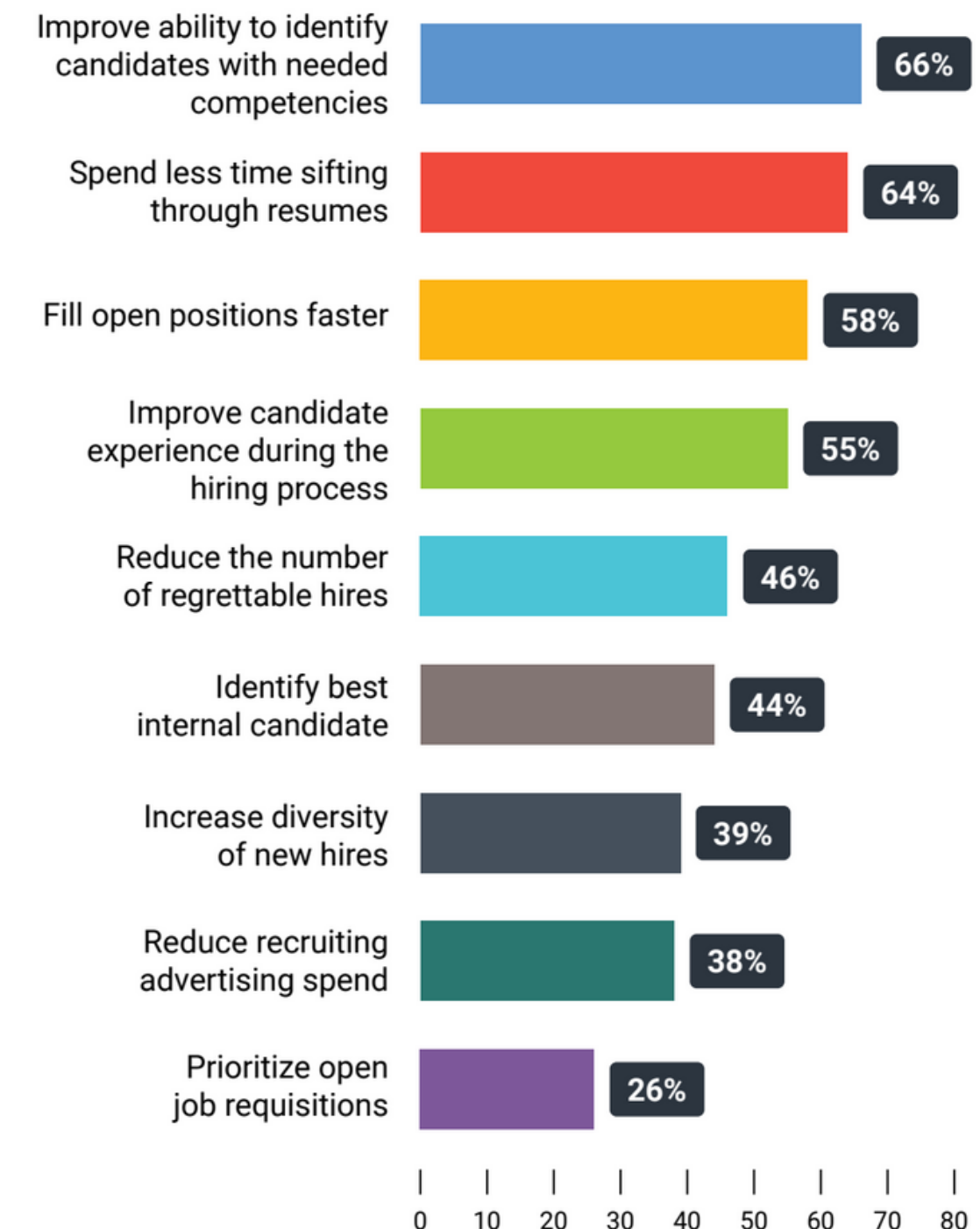
- The Americans with Disabilities Act and the Use of AI in Recruitment Guidelines
- Artificial Intelligence and Algorithmic Fairness Initiative
- 2019 Illinois “The Artificial Intelligence Video Interview Act”
- 2020 Blue Print for an AI Bill of Rights

ADVANTAGES

01 REDUCES HUMAN BIAS

- Well-trained data-centric models of AI can objectively assess candidates and eliminate traditional human bias; Contingent on data quality and scalability.
- Data = Increased transparency in the hiring process leads to more organizational accountability.
- Bias in algorithms can be corrected once recognized
 - Open AI
 - Future of Life Institute
 - Microsoft:Responsible AI Playbook

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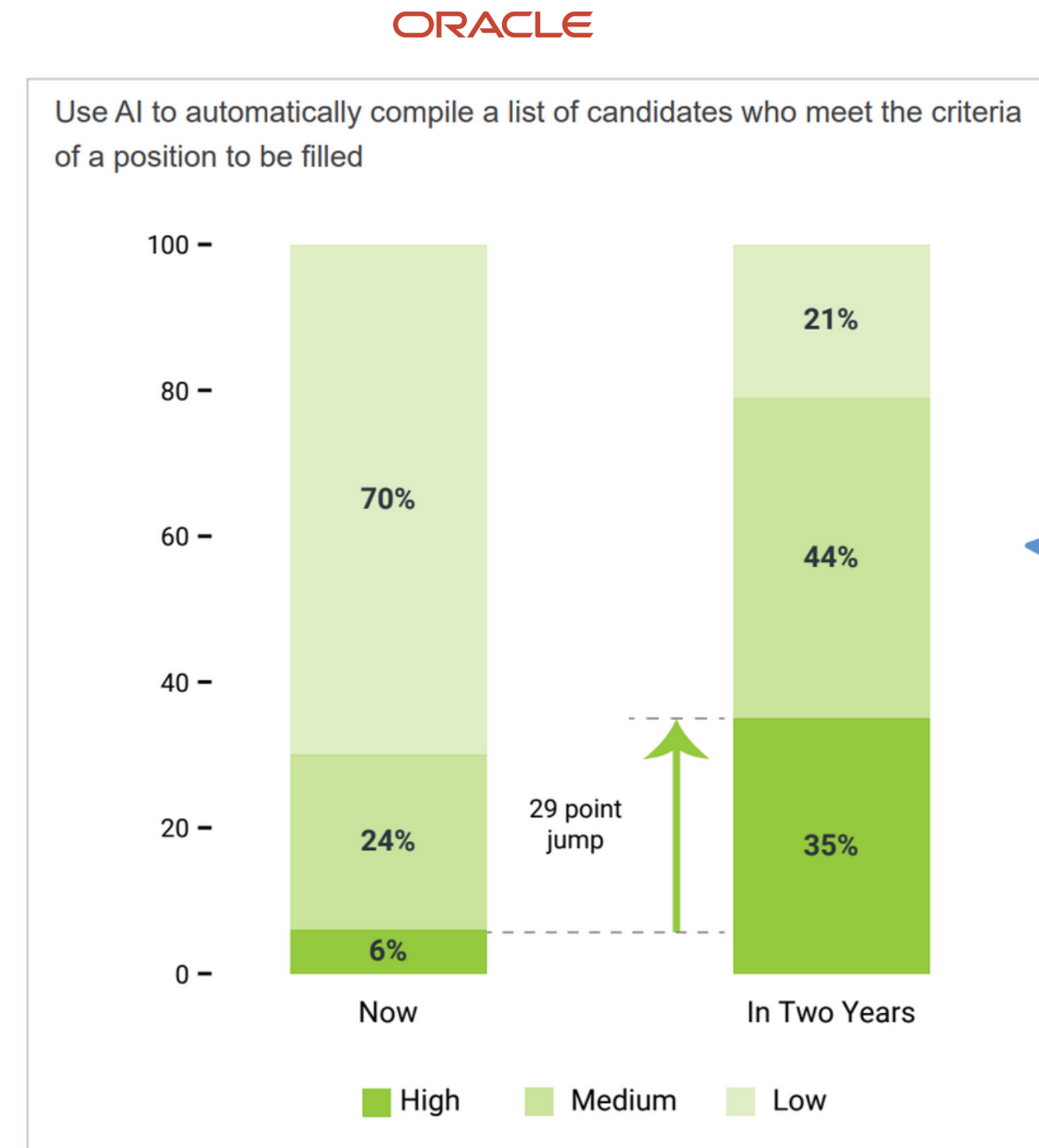


ADVANTAGES

02 PROVIDES ACCESS TO MORE QUALIFIED CANDIDATES



- Increased ability to access a larger pool of candidates. AI can assess the **entire candidate pool** without omitting qualified individuals due to time constraints.
- Streamlines and standardizes the recruitment process.
- Identifies candidates through a modern approach based on logical reasoning, probability, mathematics,
 - The usage of AI in the initial stages of recruitment yields a candidate pool that is **14% more likely to receive the job offer** and **18% more likely to accept the offer**.
(Cowgill, Columbia University)



Seventy-nine percent predict that within two years their organizations will, at least to a medium degree, use AI to automatically compile lists of likely candidates

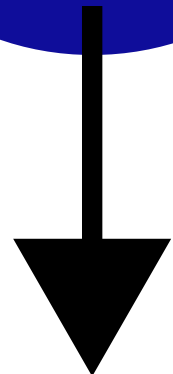


INITIATIVE

- Unilever has found huge success using their AI in recruitment in hiring experiencing a significant increase in hiring of non-white candidates and in universities represented.

Unilever

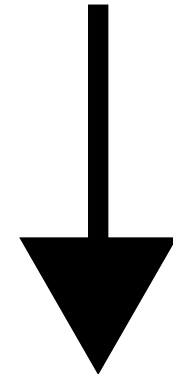
840
non-white
applicants



2600
non-white
applicants

HireVue

70,000 person-hours of interviewing
and assessing candidates had been
cut



In one day Unilever is able to select
800 candidates from a group of 3500
applicants through the use of
proprietary technology



Effectiveness of the process

First, Candidates are playing a selection of
games that test attributes useful for the role,
instead of having CVS analyzed stories of past
internships/ experiences told.

In the second stage, the candidate submitted a
video interview that look for cues in their
behavior that help the company to find a
candidate who will fit in Unilever.

The rate of offers to candidates who made it to the final round increased to 80%
from 63%, and the acceptance rate of these offers increased to 82% from 64%.

CONCULSIONS IMPLICATIONS

AI Needs to be Improved to promote DEI in recruitment

Unilever v. Amazon : What went right? What went wrong?

Key Takeaways to Improve On

- More Transparency About the Process
- More Regulation with tangible Policy Applications
- Diverse Teams to Construct and Monitor Algorithms

**THANK
YOU**

FOR YOUR ATTENTION!
QUESTIONS?

CITATIONS

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