Mind the Supply Gap









- non-profit organization
- public school teachers propose classroom projects
- you choose which project to donate to





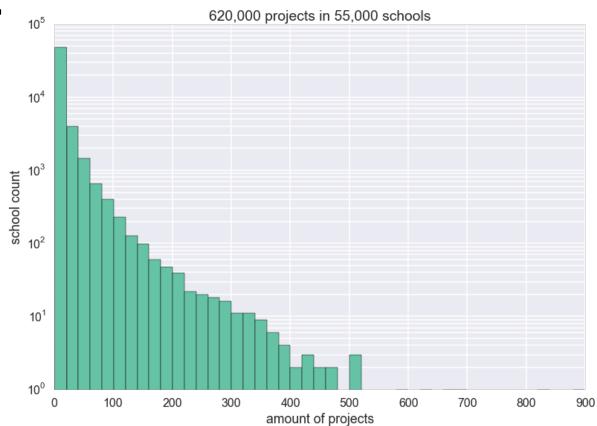
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find schools who would benefit most from DonorsChoose.org





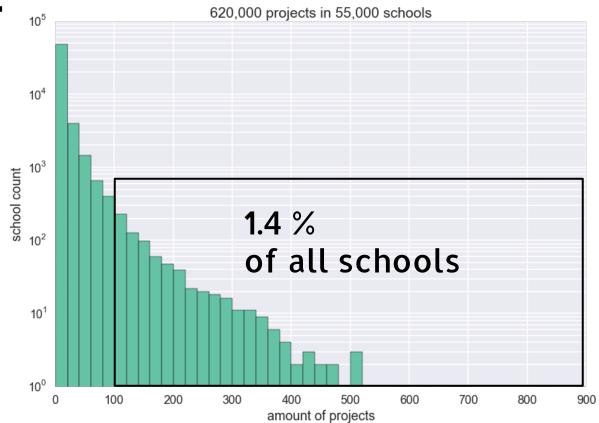
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specific goals

- characterize schools
 - leverage demographic and education statistics
- find defining characteristics of active schools
- recommend schools to DonorsChoose.org
- discover insights for their data science team





data

- DonorsChoose.org project data
- National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)
 - school demographics
 - o district local, state, and federal revenue
 - district expenditures
- US Census
 - economics and demographics by district





methods

- cluster similar schools
 - cosine similarity
 - clustering techniques
 - feature importance
- recommend schools to DonorsChoose.org
 - recommender system
 - flask app





results

useful insights for:



and a data product: schools like you!





thanks!

code available on: github.com/abshinn



