# **DSI: Project 1**Unstandardized Ourselves

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**Position in project:** Representative of student body,

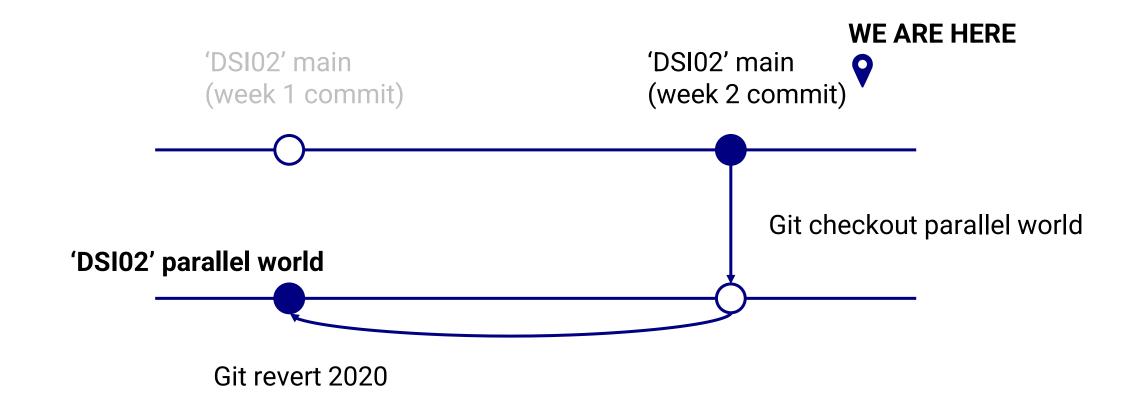
proposing for the extension of 'oneyear test optional' college admission

policy to University/College

admission board members, in order to ensure fairness of opportunity for

students all over the world

#### **Project Background**



#### **Problem Statement**

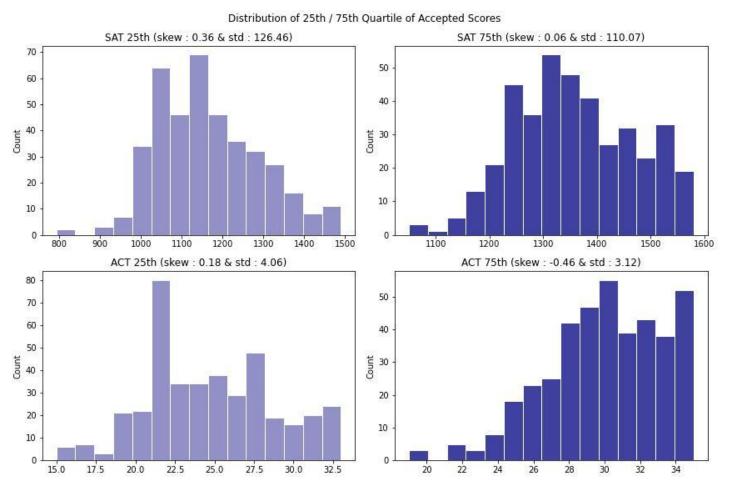
Standardized test is an unreliable measurement of student's potential

- Standardized tests originates back thousands of years ago
- Measuring tool for human potential all over the world pro athletes, primary school students, corporate employees, and university application
- As the technology progresses and human skillset diversify, certain generic standardize tests (such as SAT and ACT) become more and more unreliable

"The one-year policy of 'Test Optional' for the SAT / ACT should be extended and expanded throughout the US"

#### SAT/ACT is differently over simplified

Over 1,800 college majors and only 3-4 subjects in SAT / ACT



 College majors added every year with new skillsets becoming more and more important (e.g. Data literacy)

"SAT/ACT does not measure new skillsets well"

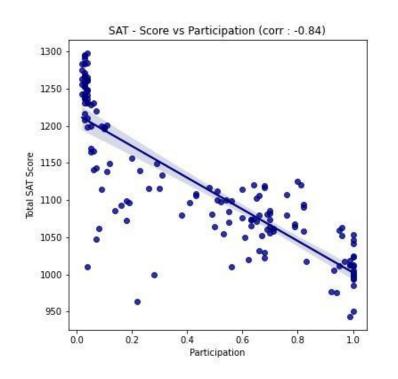
• 25<sup>th</sup> quartile and 75<sup>th</sup> quartile distributed differently

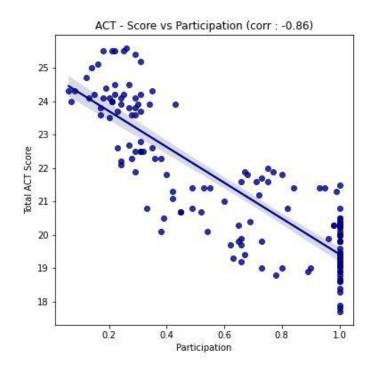
"Suggests differences in difficulty"

Source: 2019 SAT and ACT Policies and Score Ranges for Popular Colleges and Universities

#### **SAT/ACT** favors people with choices

Different individuals do better in one test over the other



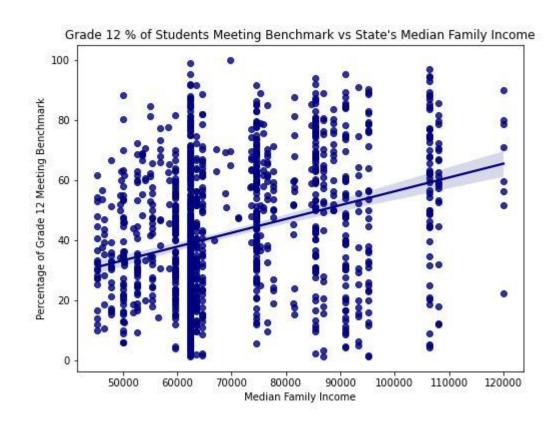


 States with low participation rate tends to do better – consist of students who chose to do those exams

"Not everybody has the luxury of choosing"

Source: 2017-2019 SAT & ACT scores by state

## SAT/ACT favors people with time and money County with higher median family income perform better

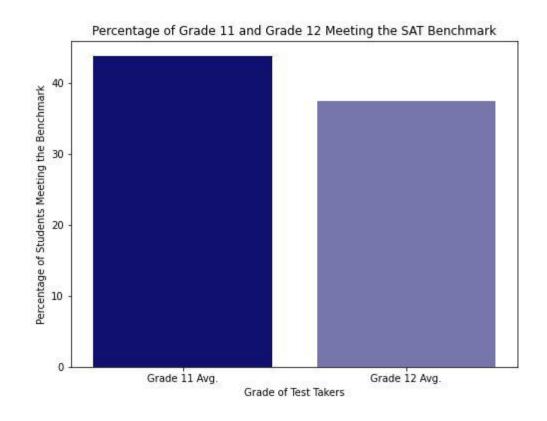


- 'Median Family Income' represents how wealthy families in certain counties are
- Percentage of students meeting the SAT benchmark correlates positively with the state's 'Median Family Income'
- Time, private tutoring, etc.

"Students from wealthier background tends to do better"

#### **SAT/ACT** favors people with more tries

Financial advantages allow some people to gets more tries than others



- SAT can be taken as many times as we want, at the cost of a registration fee (Note: ACT up to 12 times)
- More practice in exam condition reduces stress and anxiety
- Family sponsored students who are not financially comfortable will be at a great disadvantage

"Students can take many tries and select only their highest score"

#### Let's stop favoring certain groups of people

- Over simplified
- Differences in difficulty level
- Favors students with choices
- Favors students with time and money
- Favors students with more trials

"It's time for universities and colleges to focus on who students can become, not who they are"

### Thank you for listening