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# Improving Hypothesis Testing - Quiz

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## **Question 1**

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Suppose you want to measure how Twitter sentiment predict upcoming political protests, preprocessing the data with machine learning would:

- a. Analyze the effects of protests on political instability
- b. Learn from sentiment in tweets and a dataset of protests, on the probability of protests.
- c. Perform sentiment analysis on tweets
- d. Web crawl Twitter to gather data

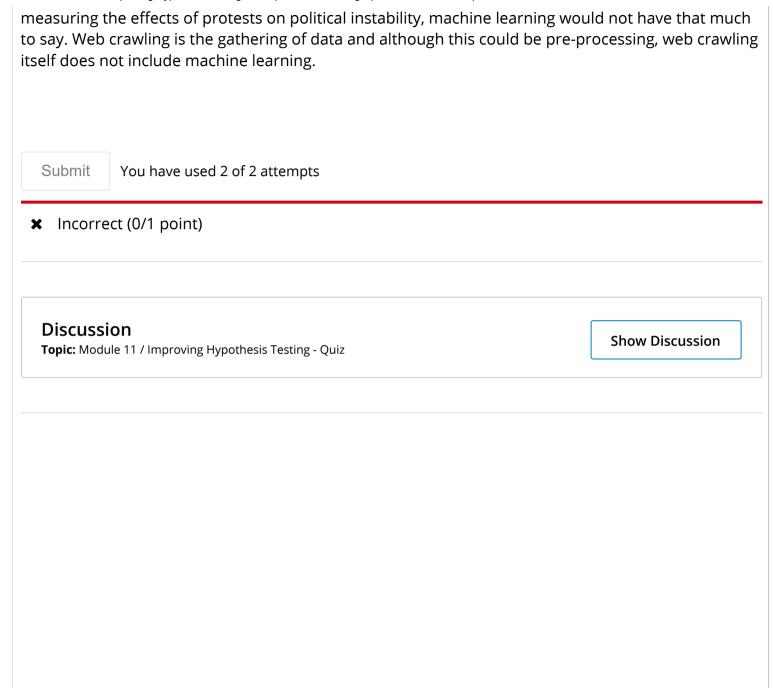
## **Explanation**

The pre-processing of data with machine learning, in this case, involves being able to extract the features that you want from data, or in other words, getting sentiment from tweets. The processing of data as described by Prof. Mullainathan would be actually performing the learning in the economically meaningful units you want to analyze, in this case number or intensity of protests. For

<u>Functions of Random</u> Variable

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#### **Machine Learning I**

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