

pymetrics

Lessons in AI deployment in a regulated landscape.

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How Do We Find The Right Person For The Right Job?

The traditional approach:

Cloud Native Infrastructure Engineer / Architect at [REDACTED]

 Post Date: June 27, 2020 Full Time

Required Technical and Professional Expertise

Minimum 12 years' experience in Kubernetes administration and management

Hands-on experience on setting up Kubernetes platform, deploying microservices and other web applications, and managing secure secrets along with container orchestration using Kubernetes

Problem: Kubernetes is 6 years old...

How Do We Find The Right Person For The Right Job?

Data
Quality & Scale

Proprietary and
unique datasets.

Machine
Learning

Algorithmic advances
& computational power

Demonstrated
Business Value

Proven track record
of high lifetime ROI.

How Do We Find The Right Person For The Right Job?

pymetrics: Behavior, Reasoning, and Communication

Behavioral Aptitudes

12 games that measure
cognitive and emotional attributes



Effort



Attention



Focus



Emotion



Fairness



Generosity



Risk
Tolerance



Decision
Making



Learning



Numerical Reasoning

4 games that specifically measure
numerical and logical reasoning



Quantitative
Reasoning



Numerical
Agility



Communication

Communications assessment
that replaces the early phone screen



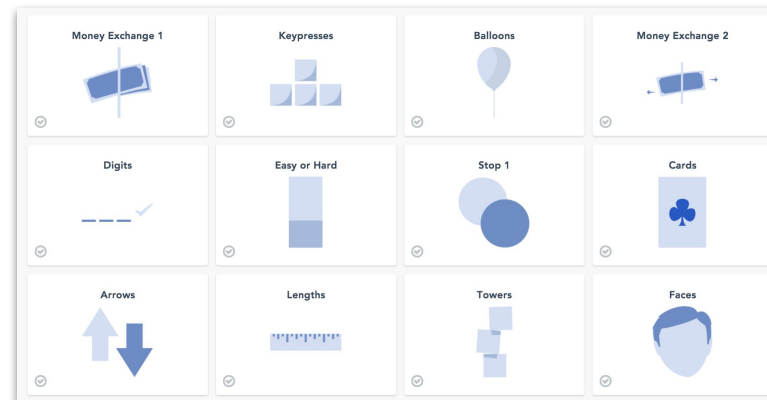
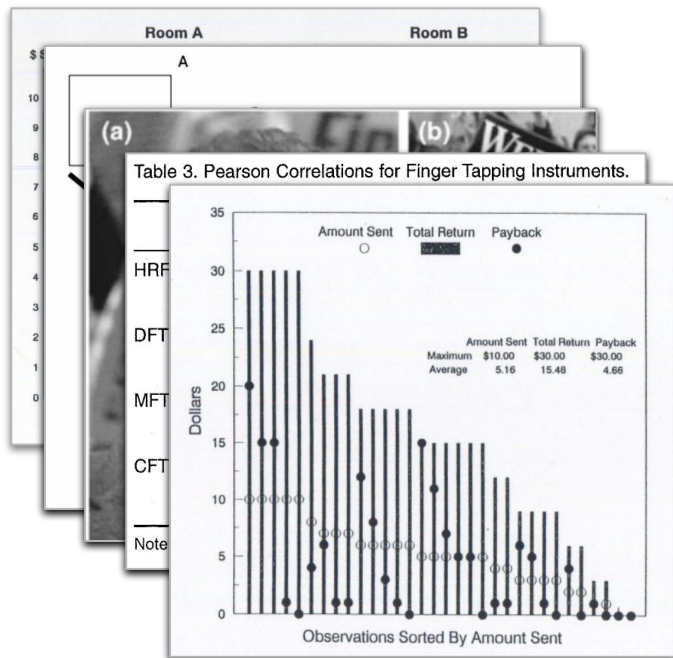
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What people say



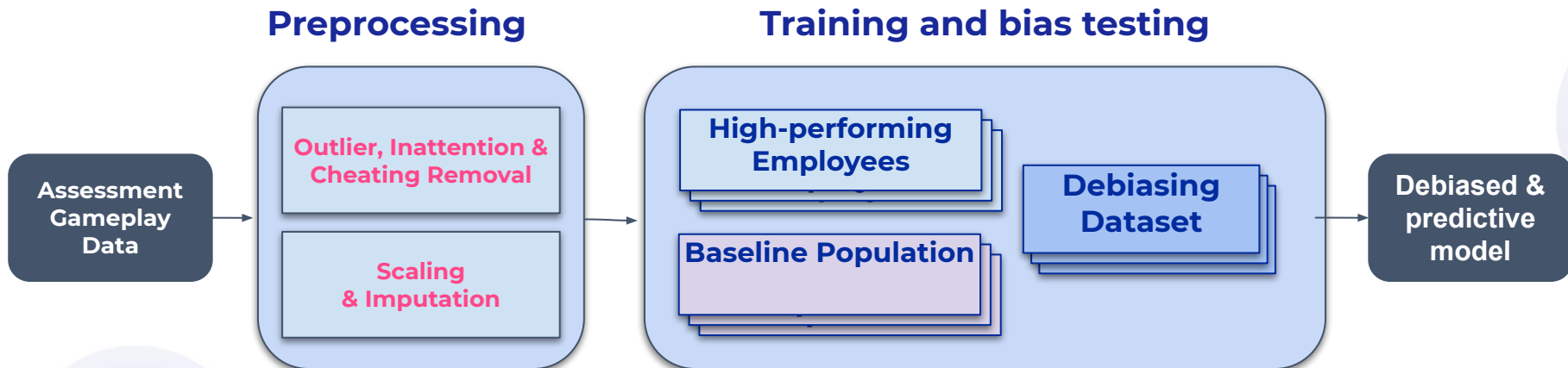
Context
How they say it



pymetrics centers on a set of core assessments rooted in cognitive science



Our algorithmic platform optimizes for performance **and** fairness.



Business value arises from three key features.

PREDICTIVE

Our assessments predict key factors driving performance: **attention, focus, communication** and **numerical skills**.

Our assessments are **continuously tested for predictive value**, before and after deployment.

FAIR

Fairness first approach for all assessments.

For new video assessments we have a special obligation to avoid fairness arising from facial recognition / audio fingerprinting.

EXPLAINABLE

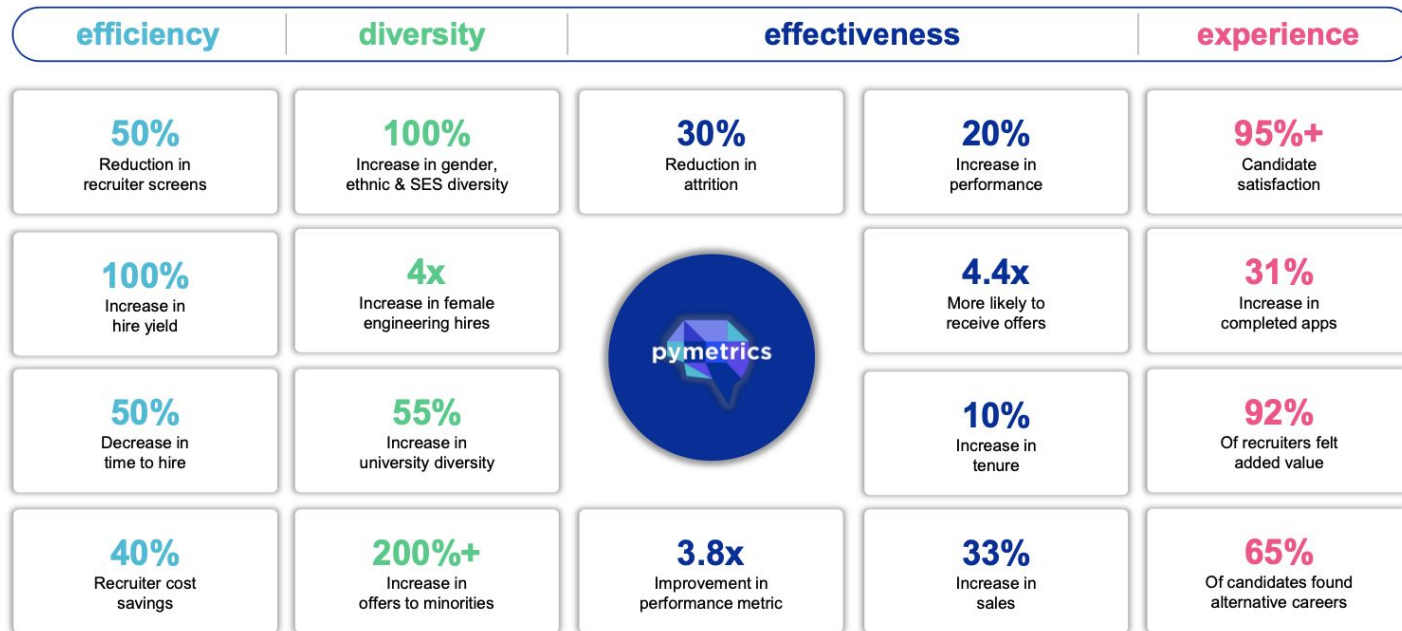
Reports for recruiters **explaining each model** as well as **explaining each decision**.

Reports for candidates explaining what **makes them unique and how to improve**

Demonstrated ROI for pymetrics clients.

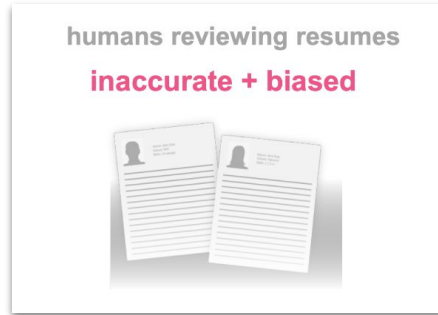
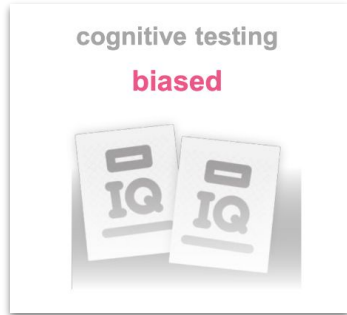
Proven and quantifiably better outcomes for clients, candidates, and the world

Selection of real results from pymetrics customer engagements

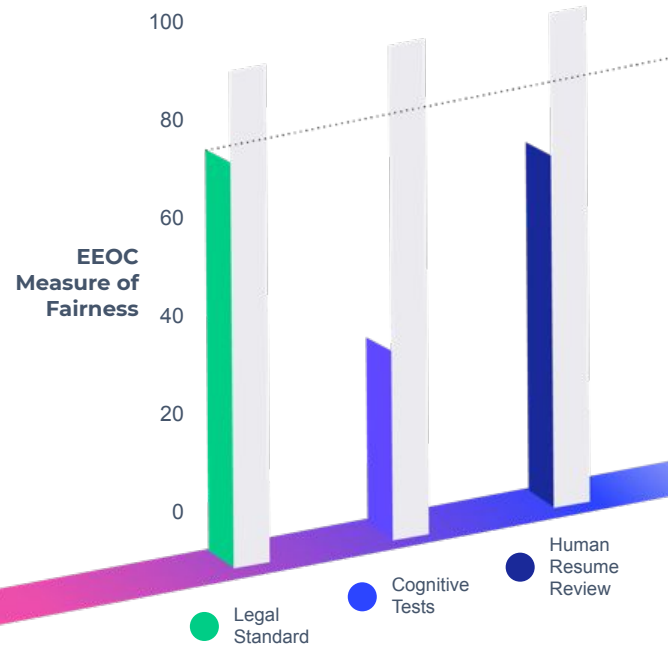


Three short lessons from the **pymetrics** journey.

1. Fairness is a performance criterion.



EEOC regulations require that all assessments used in hiring be fair within an 80% margin.



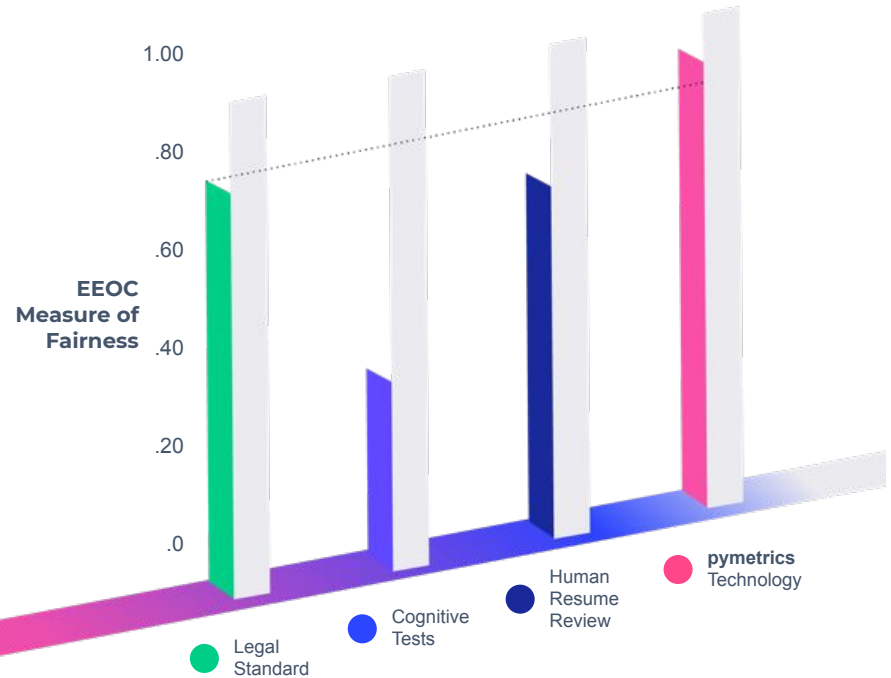
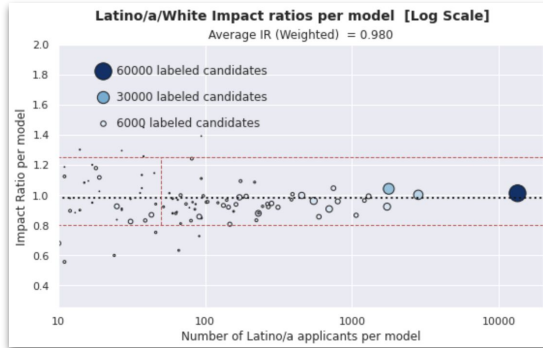
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pymetrics Audited AI passes the EEOC 80% rule.

EEOC standard
Impact Ratio: 0.8

Gender
Average > .95

Race/Ethnicity
Average > .92



2. Transparency is a collaborative process.



Auditing the Pymetrics Model Generation Process

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Research team from Northeastern University published results from an
independent third-party audit

Correctness: Does pymetrics' source code implement the four-fifths rule via the minimum bias ratio metric, using the process described in their documentation?



No Direct Discrimination: Do models trained using the pymetrics source code directly incorporate demographic features, and/or do the models take demographic features as direct input?



Debiasing Circumvention: Is there a way to manipulate the input data to the pymetrics source code in such a way that the fairness checks are circumvented?



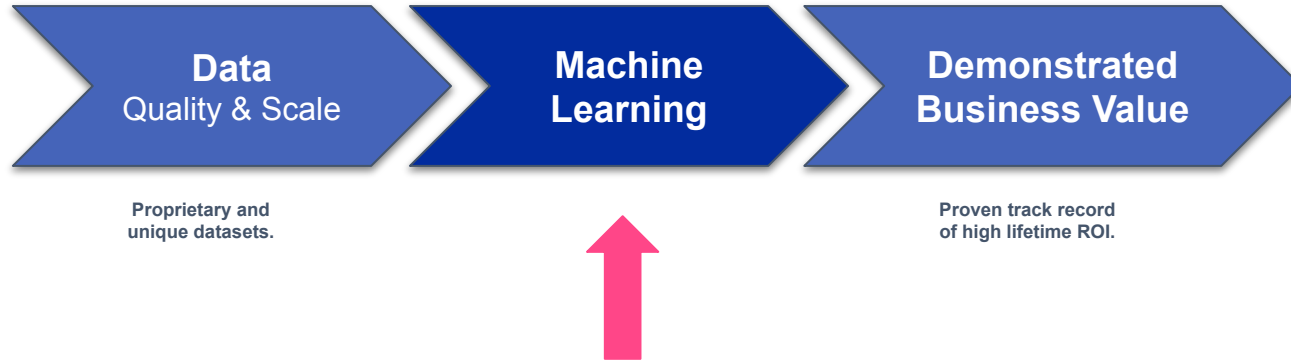
Deployment of AI in regulated spaces can accelerate the ethics life-cycle.

- Regulatory compliance is the first step, but not the last.
- There is a clear need for public-facing audits alongside traditional regulatory compliance.
- **Key learning:** trust is your most valuable asset, and transparency is the most powerful tool to build trust.

3. The life cycle of AI deployment at a societal scale is complex.

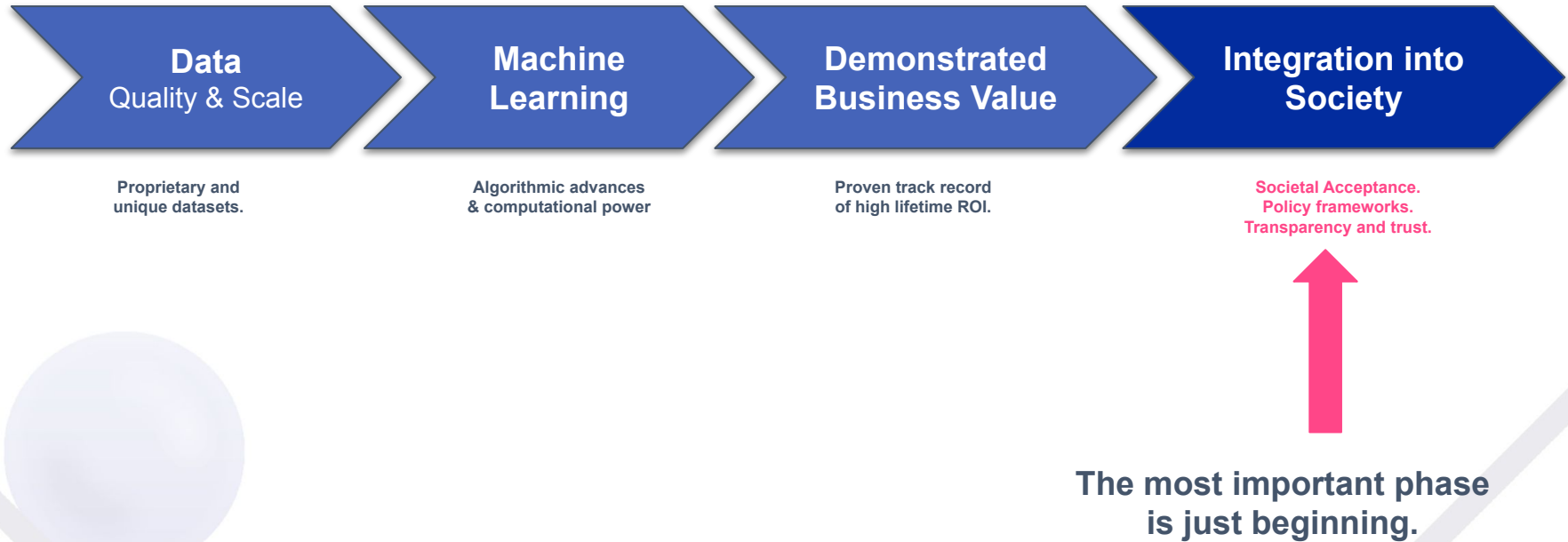


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Only one piece of the AI life-cycle has been (or can be) meaningfully commoditized.

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Thanks!

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