Are CS Faculty Members Diverse Enough?

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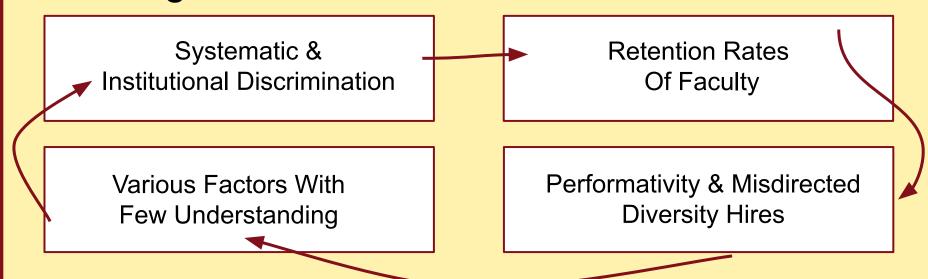


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Problem Statement

Although universities enact various Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs and diversity hires, are CS faculty members increasingly becoming more diverse?

Challenges



Architecture & Overview

UNIVERSITY	FULL NAME	TYPE OF PROFESSOR	*	GEND	ER	RACE	4	IRING YEA	OF PAPER#	OF CITATION
Massachusetts Institute of Tec +	Peter Szolovits	Professor	¥	М	٠	White	٠	1875	313	20291
Massachusetts Institute of Tec +	Gerald Sussman	Professor	¥	М	٠	White	¥	1963	107	7759
Iniversity of California Los An	Leonard Kleinrock	Professor	v	М	۳	White	۳	1963	436	52786
Massachusetts Institute of Tec +	Alan S. Willsky	Professor	۳	М	٠	White	۳	1964	790	54247
Brown University *	Andries van Dam	Professor	۳	F	۳	White	۳	1965	138	11474
Massachusetts Institute of Tec +	David Clark	Dean or Higher	۳	М	٠	White	٠	1966	439	39455
Northwestern University	Arthur Butz	Associate	۳	М	۳	White	۳	1966	49	1113
John Hopkins University +	James H. Martin	Professor	*	М	*	White	*	1967	160	21224
Cornell University *	John E. Hopcroft	Professor	۳	М	٠	White	٧	1967	399	67658
Harvard University *	Harry R. Lewis	Professor	¥	М	۳	White	۳	1968	16	792
Cornell University *	Donald Greenberg	Professor	*	М	۳	White	*	1968	136	10937
Cornell University *	Robert L. Constable	Dean or Higher	¥	М	۳	White	۳	1968	184	3423
Massachusetts Institute of Tec +	Albert Meyer	Professor	¥	М	۳	White	۳	1969	154	6894
Iniversity of California Los An	Judea Pearl	Professor	۳	М	۳	White	٠	1969	717	119204
Columbia University *	Jonathan L. Gross	Professor	v	М	v	White	v	1970	181	9590

1) Data Collection & Analysis

Create a dataset of 1,000 CS faculty members from top 20 universities. Information including University, name, faculty position, hiring year, gender, race, papers published, and number of citations were collected.

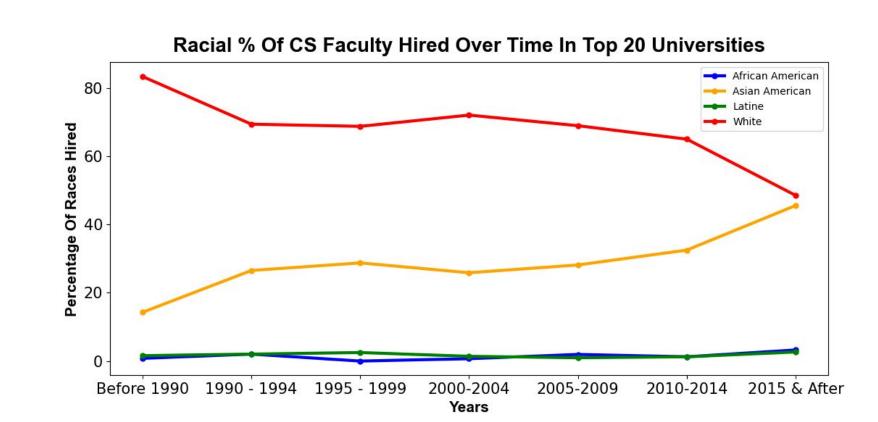
2) Surveying Faculty

Design a questionnaire to gain information from identity groups on importance of problems and possible solutions. *Additional question:* do white males responses differ from minorities?

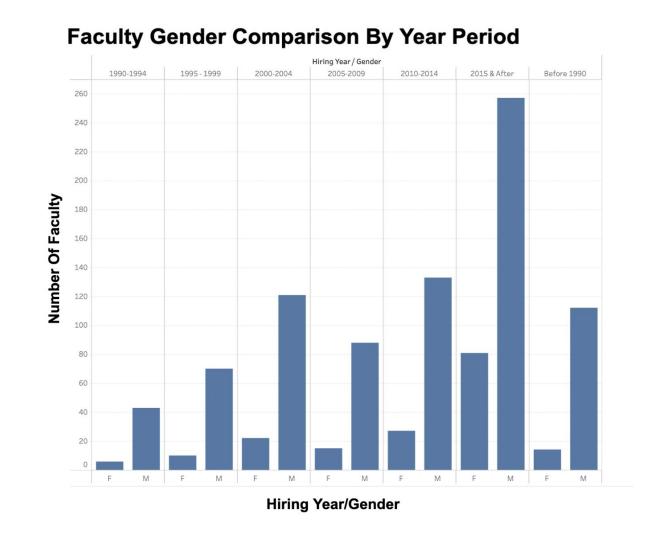
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In Your Opinion, Are University Computer Science Departments Fac Demographics, Diverse Enough? Ves No	ulty	*

3) Recommendations

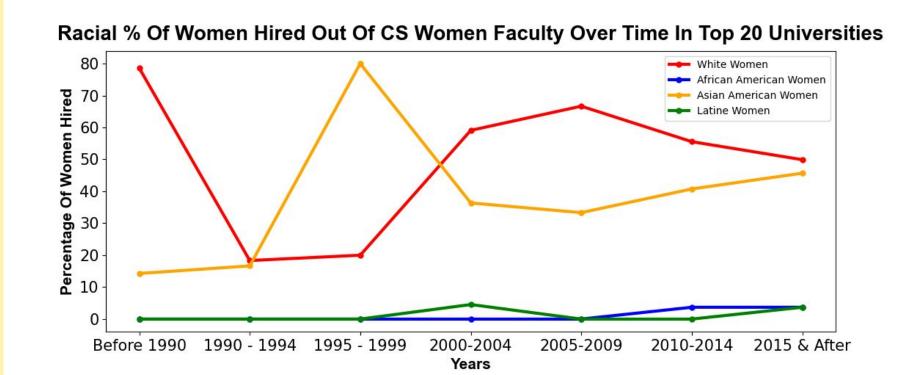
Using data and responses, cultivating recommendation and possible solutions for the problem while considering hiring process, retention, etc.



Takeaway: Compared African Americans and Latine faculty, Asian Americans are hired more often.



Takeaway: While hiring of women has increased, it is no where compared to the amount of males.



Takeaway: White women/Asian women are more likely to be hired than African American/Latine women

Key Insights

- → Hypothesized that Black women would show the least progression in hiring rates, however Latine women also follow a similar hiring trend.
- Compared to other racial minorities, Asian Americans' hiring rates are highest. Brings up the question of the model minority myth and its influences on diversity hiring targets and past surveys of workplace climates.
- → Around 1990s, companies started understanding the importance of diversity. There are still disportionately fewer women, although the amount has increased over the years.

Limitation Of Dataset

- Latine people can identify as White through the US census.
- ☐ Faculty who might be nonbinary or transgender are unknown.

Relevant Papers

Blackwell, Lauren V., Lori A. Snyder, and Catherine Mavriplis. "Diverse Faculty in STEM Fields: Attitudes, Performance, and Fair Treatment." *Journal of Diversity in Higher Education*, vol. 2, no. 4, 2009, pp. 195-205.

<u>Takeaways:</u> Diversity must be continuous; "token diversities" can result in mental health and retention rates decline. In a survey of faculty at public universities, Asian Americans reported the highest positive satisfaction, lowest turnover rates, and lowest discrimination.

Smith, Daryl G, et al. "Interrupting the Usual: Successful Strategies for Hiring Diverse Faculty." *The Journal of Higher Education*, vol. 75 no. 2, 2004, p. 133-160. *Project MUSE*.

<u>Takeaways:</u> Examines the departmental search committee process and those conditions that lead to hiring diverse faculty in terms of race/ethnicity and gender. 5% of regular hires, hires for positions without a diversity indicator and without the use of a special hire, resulted in the hiring of an underrepresented faculty member. 65% of those hired with diversity indicators or special hires were White.

P.G. Devine, P.S. Forscher, W.T. Cox, A. Kaatz, J. Sheridan, M. Carnes. "A gender bias habit-breaking intervention led to increased hiring of female faculty in STEM departments." Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, 73 (2017), pp. 211-215.

<u>Takeaways:</u> Study that provided participants with a test, evidence, case studies, and more information about gender bias in the workplace and encouraged them to keep it in mind in their professional life. A second study with control and intervention group to see who they would hire, more women were hired by participants from the first study in comparison to the second.

Evaluation

The research is currently in phase 2, surveying faculty. We recently finished the IRB approval process and will begin receiving responses on the various questionnaires. After phase 2, we will use the information to compare with frameworks for current interventions and create recommendations or solutions to address the problem statement.