Has MIT solved the A² problem? Is it a problem of perception, of reality, or both? There is a preponderance of evidence leading to the conclusion that we have: the income distribution of our undergraduate student body; our high admissions yield across all income ranges; the percent of first-generation and of Pell Grant recipients we enroll; our high retention and graduation rates; and our students’ low reliance on student debts. We may believe that this is compelling information. But access and affordability are “in the eyes of the beholder”. Ultimately, each family must decide for themselves whether MIT is affordable. In the meantime, we will continue to strive to find new and better ways to solve the A² problem.