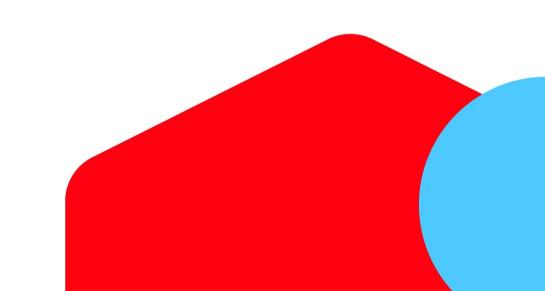
Bridging Company Data and Research

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Research for

Design
Development
Deployment
Disruption

株式会社メルカリが2017年12月に設立した、社会実装を目的とする研究開発組織

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Introduction

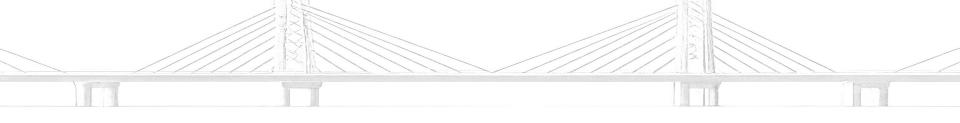
Providing data to researchers helps us to achieve our company's mission.

Circulate all forms of value to unleash the potential in all people.



How to build better bridges?

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- **03** Learning Researcher's Needs





Explaining Privacy Considerations

How Do We Protect Our Customer's Privacy

- We need to avoid personally identifiable information (PII).
- We need to make it difficult to use aggregate data to identify individuals.
- We need to abide by follow our Terms of Service with our customers.
- We need to follow legal rules, like Japan's Act on the Protection of Personal Information.



Explaining Privacy Considerations

Conclusion

We need to follow our corporate, legal, and ethical rules.



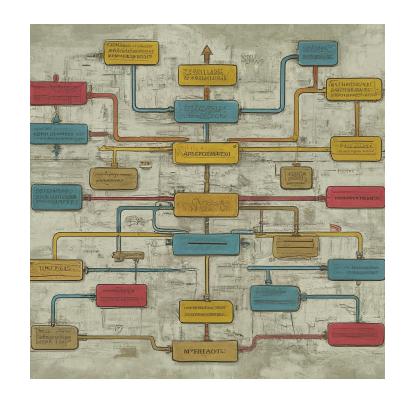
Dataset are not always easy to assemble

- The way that the data is organized in the company does not always make it easy to make a dataset.
- Data is more complicated to assemble at a large scale.



Related might not be together in the company's backend.

- Legal and compliance
- Merging systems (for example, from an acquisition)
- Consequences of past decisions
- Team structures





1 image

• Timeframe: <1 second

• Error: almost

• Storage: 1 computer

1 million images

• Timeframe: ~6 hours

• Error: ~1 time

• Storage: 1 computer

100 million images

• Timeframe: 25 days

• Error: Every time

• Storage: >1 computer

At large sizes:

- We are guaranteed to have an error.
- We can't restart from the beginning. We need to save our progress.
- The amount of code and complexity of the task increases.



Conclusion

Companies make decisions about how to prioritize time.



Learning Researchers' Needs

We need more information about what researchers' want

- There are many researchers working in different fields.
 - Different types of research may require different data.
- Researchers are using different tools.
- Researchers may want different formats.



Learning Researchers' Needs

Things I don't know:

- Which software is the used the most by researchers?
- Which data would be the most useful to most researchers?
- What is the most difficult point in using our dataset?





Learning Researchers' Needs

Conclusion

Understanding researcher's needs helps us to know how to prioritize our time.



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