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- $1\ 00:00:01.883 \longrightarrow 00:00:02.883 < v \longrightarrow All\ right. </v>$
- $2\ 00:00:04.054$ --> 00:00:08.160 In the interest of time, let's go ahead and get started.
- 3 00:00:08.160 --> 00:00:08.993 Hey everybody,
- 4~00:00:08.993 --> 00:00:13.710 thank you so much for coming today and this week seminar.
- $5~00:00:13.710 \longrightarrow 00:00:16.350$ It's my pleasure to introduce Stephen Larsson
- 6~00:00:16.350 --> 00:00:19.023 and Adria Haimann from Metacell.
- $7\ 00:00:20.160 --> 00:00:23.730$ This is a few words of context here.
- 8 00:00:23.730 --> 00:00:25.740 We've talked about, we've had people,
- 9 00:00:25.740 --> 00:00:28.140 we started this semester with somebody from the hospital.
- 10 00:00:28.140 --> 00:00:30.120 We've had people from academia,
- $11\ 00:00:30.120 --> 00:00:32.940$ we've had people from pharmaceutical companies.
- $12\ 00{:}00{:}32.940 \dashrightarrow 00{:}00{:}36.750$ And so very excited to present something different.
- $13\ 00:00:36.750 \longrightarrow 00:00:40.320$ So Metacell is a company that works
- $14\ 00:00:40.320 \longrightarrow 00:00:42.657$ in sort of the research space.
- $15\ 00:00:42.657 \longrightarrow 00:00:44.160$ Near and dear to my heart.
- $16~00:00:44.160 \longrightarrow 00:00:46.410$ They've been, from their beginning, I think,
- $17\ 00{:}00{:}46.410 \dashrightarrow 00{:}00{:}49.923$ very active in the computational neuroscience community.
- 18~00:00:52.044 --> 00:00:56.010 We both contributed to a project called Net-PyNE
- $19\ 00:00:56.010 \longrightarrow 00:00:59.763$ for building models of computational neurons.
- $20\ 00:01:00.810 \longrightarrow 00:01:04.200$ But more broadly, they work in the greater
- $21\ 00:01:04.200 \longrightarrow 00:01:06.381$ health informatics space.
- $22\ 00:01:06.381 \longrightarrow 00:01:09.570$ And they're going to tell us a little bit
- $23\ 00:01:09.570 \longrightarrow 00:01:11.670$ about how we can enhance biostatistics
- 24 00:01:11.670 --> 00:01:12.750 and health informatics research

- $25\ 00:01:12.750 --> 00:01:15.960$ through collaborative cloud-based data science tools.
- $26\ 00:01:15.960 \longrightarrow 00:01:17.403$ So let's welcome them.
- 27 00:01:19.500 --> 00:01:21.870 <-> Thank you very much. Good afternoon everyone.</v>
- 28 00:01:21.870 --> 00:01:23.700 I can see some of the back of your heads,
- 29 00:01:23.700 --> 00:01:25.650 so I can imagine that I'm also, you know,
- $30\ 00:01:25.650 \longrightarrow 00:01:27.250$ virtually looking at your faces.
- $31\ 00:01:28.200 \longrightarrow 00:01:29.580$ Thanks so much for having us.
- $32\ 00{:}01{:}29.580$ --> $00{:}01{:}32.940$ I'm Adria Haimann and I work alongside Stephen at MetaCell.
- $33\ 00:01:32.940 \dashrightarrow 00:01:35.370$ And as already mentioned, today we're gonna share with you
- $34\ 00{:}01{:}35.370 \dashrightarrow 00{:}01{:}39.060$ some insights into how a cademics are using cloud-based
- $35~00:01:39.060 \longrightarrow 00:01:41.610$ collaboration tools to enhance their research.
- 36 00:01:41.610 --> 00:01:43.230 But before I kind of begin with this,
- 37 00:01:43.230 --> 00:01:45.240 I wanna provide you with some context.
- 38 00:01:45.240 --> 00:01:48.390 So, 10 years ago I was in your position,
- $39\ 00:01:48.390 --> 00:01:50.310\ I$ was studying health economics
- 40 00:01:50.310 --> 00:01:51.690 at the London School of Economics,
- $41~00{:}01{:}51.690 \dashrightarrow 00{:}01{:}53.730$ and I had joined a research team
- $42\ 00{:}01{:}53.730 \dashrightarrow 00{:}01{:}55.560$ at the European Observatory for Health.
- 43 00:01:55.560 --> 00:01:57.210 And I was relatively new to this field
- 44 00:01:57.210 --> 00:01:59.730 and kind of found myself in a Catch 22
- $45\ 00:01:59.730 \longrightarrow 00:02:01.590$ that maybe you can relate to.
- $46~00{:}02{:}01.590 \dashrightarrow 00{:}02{:}04.920$ So I wanted to know how can someone or a student or postdoc
- $47\ 00:02:04.920 --> 00:02:07.710$ or researcher discover the best way to collaborate
- $48\ 00:02:07.710 \longrightarrow 00:02:09.630$ on their research and use new tools
- 49 00:02:09.630 --> 00:02:11.790 if you have fairly minimal experience,
- 50 00:02:11.790 --> 00:02:14.340 neither academia or in industry.

- $51\ 00:02:14.340 \longrightarrow 00:02:17.100$ So that's essentially what we want to show you today
- 52 00:02:17.100 --> 00:02:19.320 and what we'd love to share with you,
- 53 00:02:19.320 --> 00:02:20.880 if you could go to the next slide,
- $54\ 00:02:20.880 \longrightarrow 00:02:23.940$ which is kind of a collection of key topics
- 55 00:02:23.940 --> 00:02:27.000 of how researchers are doing just that,
- $56~00:02:27.000 \dashrightarrow 00:02:29.220$ while also getting the most out of their data.
- 57 00:02:29.220 --> 00:02:30.690 So during this seminar,
- $58~00:02:30.690 \dashrightarrow 00:02:32.880$ we're gonna cover different methods that you can share
- 59~00:02:32.880 --> 00:02:36.480 data analysis and introduce you to a specific cloud-based
- 60 00:02:36.480 --> 00:02:37.750 collaboration platform
- $61\ 00:02:37.750 \longrightarrow 00:02:40.710$ that we've created called Cloud Workspaces.
- $62\ 00:02:40.710 \longrightarrow 00:02:42.750$ And then we'll run you through some examples
- 63 00:02:42.750 --> 00:02:45.030 of how researchers are using this platform,
- $64\ 00:02:45.030 \dashrightarrow 00:02:48.060$ as well as how we've formed an industry partnership.
- $65~00{:}02{:}48.060 \dashrightarrow 00{:}02{:}50.190$ And then lastly, we wanna show you kind of other ways
- $66\ 00:02:50.190 \longrightarrow 00:02:52.800$ that this tool can be used in academic settings.
- $67\ 00{:}02{:}52.800 \to 00{:}02{:}55.470$ And then of course, we'll open it up to you guys
- $68\ 00:02:55.470 \longrightarrow 00:02:57.180$ and encourage you to ask us questions
- $69\ 00:02:57.180 \longrightarrow 00:02:59.100$ on any of these topics.
- $70\ 00:02:59.100 \longrightarrow 00:03:02.010$ So I'll hand over to Stephen now.
- 71 00:03:02.010 --> 00:03:03.900 <v ->Thanks Adria for that great introduction.</v>
- $72\ 00:03:03.900 \longrightarrow 00:03:05.523$ And hello to all of you.
- 73 00:03:06.530 --> 00:03:11.530 I currently see you as tiny, tiny pixels on my screen
- $74\ 00:03:12.150 \longrightarrow 00:03:13.410$ because of the way this is viewed.
- $75\ 00:03:13.410 \longrightarrow 00:03:16.140$ So as much as I'd love to be there in person

- $76\ 00:03:16.140 --> 00:03:17.460$ and looking into the whites of your eyes,
- $77\ 00:03:17.460 --> 00:03:18.390$ I'm not gonna get that chance.
- $78~00:03:18.390 \ensuremath{\,\text{-->}\,} 00:03:22.677$ But, I think we have a really good robust discussion
- $79~00:03:22.677 \dashrightarrow 00:03:26.283$ for you guys that I hope you'll find very interesting.
- 80~00:03:27.420 --> 00:03:30.390 And thank you very much again to Robert for the invitation.
- 81 00:03:30.390 --> 00:03:33.603 So similar backstory on myself,
- $82\ 00:03:34.830 \longrightarrow 00:03:39.830$ I went through undergraduate training at MIT
- 83 00:03:39.930 --> 00:03:43.050 in computer science, did a master's in AI
- $84\ 00:03:43.050 \longrightarrow 00:03:44.850$ before it was cool again,
- $85\ 00:03:44.850 \longrightarrow 00:03:49.850$ and then shipped off to UCSD for a PhD
- $86\ 00{:}03{:}50.760 \dashrightarrow 00{:}03{:}54.090$ in neuroscience with a computational specialization.
- $87\ 00:03:54.090 --> 00:03:59.090$ So very much familiar with the academic experience
- $88\ 00:03:59.420 \longrightarrow 00:04:04.420$ and I'm really excited to share with you
- $89\ 00:04:05.640 \longrightarrow 00:04:08.746$ some of the things that I've learned since leaving academia.
- 90 00:04:08.746 --> 00:04:10.020 And one of those things
- 91 00:04:10.020 --> 00:04:13.589 has been to start this company, MetaCell,
- 92 00:04:13.589 --> 00:04:16.110 which I basically started as I was wrapping up my PhD
- 93 00:04:16.110 \rightarrow 00:04:21.110 and I kind of realized that I wanted to serve science
- 94 00:04:21.510 \rightarrow 00:04:25.210 in a different way than was gonna be possible
- 95 00:04:26.710 --> 00:04:29.130 just within the confines of academia
- 96 00:04:29.130 \rightarrow 00:04:31.493 because I realized that I was a builder
- 97 00:04:31.493 --> 00:04:36.240 and to build software that could,
- 98 $00:04:36.240 \longrightarrow 00:04:40.170$ software tools that could be useful to, you know,
- $99\ 00:04:40.170 \longrightarrow 00:04:43.260$ tools that I would wanted to have had as myself,
- $100\ 00:04:43.260 --> 00:04:44.190$ a graduate student.

- $101\ 00:04:44.190$ --> 00:04:47.520 I would need to kind of put a professional team of folks
- $102\ 00{:}04{:}47.520 \dashrightarrow 00{:}04{:}50.842$ together that, you know, really came out taindustry
- $103\ 00:04:50.842 --> 00:04:54.210$ and that are kind of high hard to higher end academia.
- $104\ 00:04:54.210 \longrightarrow 00:04:57.660$ So the story of this slide is, since then,
- $105\ 00:04:57.660 \longrightarrow 00:04:59.160$ all the different great groups
- 106 00:04:59.160 --> 00:05:00.900 that we've had a chance to work with,
- $107\ 00{:}05{:}00.900 \dashrightarrow 00{:}05{:}04.934$ and you'll see a really kind of motley crew of logos
- 108 00:05:04.934 --> 00:05:08.040 that are present here from, you know,
- 109 00:05:08.040 --> 00:05:09.880 really, really big pharma companies
- 110 00:05:12.180 --> 00:05:13.920 like Yale, you guys are on here,
- $111\ 00:05:13.920 \longrightarrow 00:05:17.820$ other universities that we've had the chance to work with,
- 112 00:05:17.820 --> 00:05:21.030 and then biotech companies,
- $113\ 00:05:21.030 \longrightarrow 00:05:24.810$ med device companies that we work with some,
- $114\ 00:05:24.810 \longrightarrow 00:05:27.543$ some of the US lots internationally.
- 115 00:05:29.310 --> 00:05:31.140 And realizing that, you know,
- $116\ 00:05:31.140 --> 00:05:33.690$ the core thing that unifies all the work
- $117\ 00:05:33.690 \longrightarrow 00:05:36.308$ that we've been doing over time is the way
- 118 00:05:36.308 --> 00:05:39.840 that sort of math and computation can help us
- $119\ 00:05:39.840 \longrightarrow 00:05:41.340$ understand the life sciences.
- $120\ 00{:}05{:}41.340 \dashrightarrow 00{:}05{:}45.600$ So hence I come to you today in a biostatistics seminar
- 121 00:05:45.600 --> 00:05:46.860 to talk about, you know,
- $122\ 00:05:46.860 \longrightarrow 00:05:50.081$ some of the other pieces of the puzzle
- $123\ 00:05:50.081$ --> 00:05:55.081 that go into advancing the life sciences in that way.
- $124\ 00{:}05{:}55{.}993$ --> $00{:}06{:}00{.}993$ So, let's start with a really simple, simple example, right?

- 125 00:06:03.780 --> 00:06:07.860 So let's say you're doing some kind of analysis
- 126 00:06:07.860 --> 00:06:11.433 on some kind of bio data, okay?
- $127\ 00:06:13.020 --> 00:06:15.670$ Perhaps in the statistics context, you're using SaaS.
- 128 00:06:16.980 --> 00:06:19.800 In a computational neuroscience context,
- $129\ 00:06:19.800 \longrightarrow 00:06:24.213$ you may be using Python and the Python suite of tools.
- $130\ 00:06:25.560 \longrightarrow 00:06:28.860$ Some in the statistics field are using R open source,
- 131 00:06:28.860 --> 00:06:30.330 you know, statistics packages.
- $132\ 00:06:30.330 --> 00:06:33.210$ Whatever it is, you've got some data, you know,
- $133\ 00:06:33.210 --> 00:06:35.070$ maybe you're analyzing it on behalf of yourself,
- 134 00:06:35.070 --> 00:06:36.816 maybe you're analyzing on behalf of your lab,
- $135\ 00:06:36.816 --> 00:06:38.340$ the group that you're working with.
- $136\ 00:06:38.340 \longrightarrow 00:06:40.710$ Maybe you're analyzing it in terms of a company.
- 137 00:06:40.710 --> 00:06:41.760 Whatever it is,
- $138\ 00:06:41.760 \longrightarrow 00:06:44.384$ you wanna share that data analysis with somebody else.
- 139 00:06:44.384 --> 00:06:46.530 You're probably gonna have to gather
- $140\ 00:06:46.530 --> 00:06:49.710$ some history of those commands together.
- 141 00:06:49.710 --> 00:06:52.650 Maybe it's packaged up as a script, maybe not.
- 142 00:06:52.650 --> 00:06:54.420 You're gonna send that file
- $143\ 00:06:54.420 \longrightarrow 00:06:56.640$ to somebody else very often.
- $144\ 00:06:56.640 \longrightarrow 00:06:58.860$ And then you're also gonna wanna somehow
- 145 00:06:58.860 --> 00:07:00.540 collect the outputs of that, right?
- $146\ 00{:}07{:}00.540 \dashrightarrow 00{:}07{:}04.984$ The figures, the diagrams, the summary statistics,
- 147 00:07:04.984 --> 00:07:07.950 the result of T-tests, you know,
- 148 00:07:07.950 --> 00:07:09.210 things like this, right?
- 149 00:07:09.210 --> 00:07:12.240 And send that output somewhere, right?

- $150\ 00:07:12.240 --> 00:07:16.050$ So, you know, that is a problem time immemorial.
- 151 00:07:16.050 --> 00:07:20.145 And you know, as long as I've been, you know,
- 152 00:07:20.145 --> 00:07:23.400 working in this space still, you know,
- $153\ 00:07:23.400 \longrightarrow 00:07:25.140$ it's very common to just do this
- 154 00:07:25.140 --> 00:07:28.920 and it's maybe send this over email, right?
- $155\ 00:07:28.920 --> 00:07:31.530$ It's still a practice that I'm sure you know, happens.
- $156\ 00:07:31.530 --> 00:07:34.528$ And so, and that's probably just fine, you know,
- $157\ 00:07:34.528 \longrightarrow 00:07:37.380$ in many small circumstances.
- $158\ 00:07:37.380 \longrightarrow 00:07:41.403$ But as that scales up, there's problems of reproducibility,
- 159 00:07:42.330 --> 00:07:44.400 there's problems of, you know,
- $160\ 00:07:44.400 --> 00:07:46.110$ keeping track of who sent what.
- 161 00:07:46.110 --> 00:07:48.360 Email is not a great file management system.
- $162\ 00{:}07{:}48.360 \dashrightarrow 00{:}07{:}53.360$ So we've been thinking a lot over the course of our company,
- $163\ 00:07:54.750 \longrightarrow 00:07:56.137$ which is, we've been around now,
- 164 00:07:56.137 --> 00:07:59.790 this is our 13th year about how, you know,
- $165\ 00{:}07{:}59.790 \dashrightarrow 00{:}08{:}02.130$ the cloud and the internet basically can come into that
- 166 00:08:02.130 --> 00:08:04.980 in any better way than sending email along.
- 167 00:08:04.980 --> 00:08:08.010 And so we've thought a lot about, you know,
- $168\ 00:08:08.010 \dashrightarrow 00:08:10.980$ what starts to happen when there's a computer that lives
- $169\ 00:08:10.980 \longrightarrow 00:08:14.940$ in the cloud that multiple people can jump into and join.
- $170\ 00{:}08{:}14.940 \dashrightarrow 00{:}08{:}17.640$ And what is, you know, how does that work in general?
- $171\ 00:08:17.640 \longrightarrow 00:08:22.470$ It's something that we're not only just us doing, right?
- $172\ 00:08:22.470 \longrightarrow 00:08:24.420$ This is an idea that's been there for a while.

 $173\ 00:08:24.420 \longrightarrow 00:08:27.210$ Anybody familiar with like, say Python Notebooks, right,

 $174\ 00:08:27.210 \longrightarrow 00:08:28.770$ are aware of this idea.

175 00:08:28.770 --> 00:08:30.503 There's tools like Google Colab.

 $176\ 00:08:31.356 \longrightarrow 00:08:34.200$ and then we've even been talking to major universities,

177 00:08:34.200 --> 00:08:35.370 like we've been having a conversation

178 00:08:35.370 --> 00:08:36.930 with Harvard Medical School,

 $179\ 00{:}08{:}36.930 {\:\hbox{--}}{>}\ 00{:}08{:}39.211$ where they've been working collaboration with Amazon

 $180\ 00{:}08{:}39.211 \dashrightarrow 00{:}08{:}42.845$ to kind of work together with them to set up computers

 $181\ 00:08:42.845 \longrightarrow 00:08:44.310$ that are in the cloud.

 $182\ 00:08:44.310 \longrightarrow 00:08:48.990$ Similarly, of course, there's gonna be what happens with,

 $183\ 00:08:48.990 --> 00:08:50.310$ at like, at your local university

 $184\ 00:08:50.310 \longrightarrow 00:08:52.230$ with your local computing infrastructure.

 $185\ 00:08:52.230 \dashrightarrow 00:08:55.740$ Typically that's based around supercomputers that are there

 $186\ 00:08:55.740 --> 00:08:58.980$ for doing like really powerful computations or calculations.

 $187\ 00:08:58.980 \longrightarrow 00:09:00.600$ Things that are very data intensive.

 $188\ 00:09:00.600 \longrightarrow 00:09:02.370$ A workspace in the cloud is sort of in between.

189 00:09:02.370 --> 00:09:05.194 So it's kind of like, you know,

190 00:09:05.194 --> 00:09:08.580 just a laptop that isn't your physical laptop,

 $191\ 00{:}09{:}08.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}09{:}11.010$ but it's like a laptop that's somewhere else in the cloud

 $192\ 00:09:11.010 --> 00:09:13.770$ that you can log into and do some analysis with.

 $193\ 00{:}09{:}13.770 --> 00{:}09{:}16.380$ And it basically lives as long as you wanna do that analysis

 $194\ 00:09:16.380 \longrightarrow 00:09:17.700$ and then it goes away

195~00:09:17.700 --> 00:09:19.770 if you don't need that analysis anymore

 $196\ 00:09:19.770 \longrightarrow 00:09:22.200$ or it can stay there as long as your lab is around, right?

197 00:09:22.200 --> 00:09:24.840 And then go away if you don't need it anymore.

 $198\ 00:09:24.840 \longrightarrow 00:09:27.300$ So the idea is then in this story,

 $199\ 00:09:27.300 \longrightarrow 00:09:29.100$ instead of just gathering the history of commands,

 $200\ 00:09:29.100 \longrightarrow 00:09:31.228$ sending the file and sending the output of the file,

 $201\ 00:09:31.228 --> 00:09:34.470$ what if, right you could do all that in the context

202 00:09:34.470 --> 00:09:36.753 of a computer that multiple people

203 00:09:36.753 --> 00:09:38.940 can join and look at, right?

 $204\ 00:09:38.940 \longrightarrow 00:09:40.380$ Work in that same environment.

205 00:09:40.380 --> 00:09:41.213 When you log out,

206 00:09:41.213 --> 00:09:43.203 it's exactly where you left it, right?

 $207\ 00:09:43.203 \longrightarrow 00:09:46.680$ Like if you know your computer gets misplaced

 $208\ 00{:}09{:}46.680 \dashrightarrow 00{:}09{:}49.905$ or you drop it, you know, off a bridge into a river,

209 00:09:49.905 --> 00:09:51.450 like, doesn't matter 'cause

210 00:09:51.450 --> 00:09:53.520 all this stuff is preserved, right?

211 00:09:53.520 --> 00:09:57.312 So, how does that idea start to change the basic practice

212 00:09:57.312 --> 00:10:01.560 of interacting with data and doing analysis like this

213 00:10:01.560 --> 00:10:05.400 if you were to change that one variable okay?

 $214~00:10:05.400 \dashrightarrow 00:10:08.820$ So that's sort of the starting premise for our chat today.

215~00:10:08.820 --> 00:10:13.260 So, you know, what that might look like is, you know,

 $216\ 00{:}10{:}13.260 \dashrightarrow 00{:}10{:}15.996$ a session one-on-one or two-on-one with multiple people

 $217\ 00:10:15.996$ --> 00:10:20.996 where you get, you know, perhaps one of you in the future.

- $218\ 00:10:21.964 --> 00:10:24.176$ In the case that we've been doing in our company,
- 219 00:10:24.176 --> 00:10:28.230 one of our staff members, who has experience
- $220\ 00:10:28.230 \longrightarrow 00:10:31.810$ in doing a different kind of data analysis.
- 221 00:10:31.810 --> 00:10:35.970 In our case, we work on a variety of problems,
- $222\ 00:10:35.970 \longrightarrow 00:10:37.260$ but one of the major ones we worked on
- 223 00:10:37.260 --> 00:10:39.437 is like the imaging of calcium signals
- 224 00:10:42.284 --> 00:10:44.573 in neural tissue okay?
- $225\ 00:10:44.573 --> 00:10:48.780$ But you know, you might be on a call like this one and just
- $226\ 00{:}10{:}48.780 \dashrightarrow 00{:}10{:}50.430$ the same way that you might meet with your lab members on a
- 227 00:10:50.430 --> 00:10:53.580 Zoom call, you might meet with someone
- $228\ 00{:}10{:}53.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}10{:}55.590$ with experience in data analysis or biostatistics
- $229\ 00:10:55.590 \longrightarrow 00:11:00.590$ that is not in your lab or not in your even organization.
- 230 00:11:00.960 --> 00:11:02.040 It might be somewhere remote,
- 231 00:11:02.040 \rightarrow 00:11:06.499 maybe at another university or in a company like ours.
- $232\ 00{:}11{:}06.499 \dashrightarrow 00{:}11{:}11.499$ But what they might get as the experience of that is
- $233\ 00{:}11{:}13.026 \dashrightarrow 00{:}11{:}16.770$ jointly logging into this work space that lives in the cloud.
- 234 00:11:16.770 --> 00:11:19.890 And if SaaS is the thing you wanna use,
- 235 00:11:19.890 --> 00:11:22.320 you might find a whole SaaS instance there
- $236\ 00:11:22.320 \longrightarrow 00:11:24.570$ in a desktop that you can log into.
- $237\ 00{:}11{:}24.570 \dashrightarrow 00{:}11{:}27.330$ But the point being that multiple people now can type on it
- 238 00:11:27.330 --> 00:11:30.060 as opposed to like physically handing your laptop around
- 239 00:11:30.060 --> 00:11:33.240 in the lab or even just screen sharing it
- 240 00:11:33.240 --> 00:11:35.310 in some kind of a lab meeting, right?

- $241\ 00{:}11{:}35.310 \dashrightarrow 00{:}11{:}37.590$ It's actually allowing for people to jump into the same
- 242 00:11:37.590 --> 00:11:40.096 application and literally like trade off
- 243 00:11:40.096 --> 00:11:42.570 on like typing commands into it.
- $244\ 00{:}11{:}42.570 \dashrightarrow 00{:}11{:}45.720$ Kind of like what you get with a Google Document
- 245 00:11:45.720 --> 00:11:47.580 or a Google Spreadsheet, right?
- 246 00:11:47.580 --> 00:11:48.990 That real-time collaboration,
- $247\ 00:11:48.990 --> 00:11:50.790$ but now for any kind of application.
- $248\ 00:11:51.630 \longrightarrow 00:11:54.390$ So that's one experience you might have.
- 249 00:11:54.390 --> 00:11:55.530 Not just SaaS, right?
- 250 00:11:55.530 --> 00:11:57.600 So a Jupyter Notebook, as I mentioned before,
- $251\ 00:11:57.600 \longrightarrow 00:11:58.890$ is another thing that you can use.
- 252 00:11:58.890 --> 00:12:00.660 And those of you who might be using,
- $253\ 00:12:00.660 \longrightarrow 00:12:02.979$ again, the more open source technologies,
- $254~00{:}12{:}02.979 \dashrightarrow 00{:}12{:}05.490$ if you might be using R Statistics or using Python
- 255 00:12:05.490 --> 00:12:08.070 or whatnot, you'd be familiar with, you know,
- 256 00:12:08.070 --> 00:12:10.729 a Jupyter Notebook.
- 257 00:12:10.729 --> 00:12:13.050 So it's based around, you know,
- 258 00:12:13.050 --> 00:12:16.350 this idea of putting a computer in the cloud,
- 259 00:12:16.350 --> 00:12:18.300 multiple folks logging into it,
- 260 00:12:18.300 --> 00:12:21.390 and then being able to sort of transport
- 261 00:12:21.390 --> 00:12:24.600 your expertise around the world.
- $262\ 00{:}12{:}24.600 {\:{\mbox{--}}}{>}\ 00{:}12{:}29.600$ Because in addition to the knowledge of doing analysis
- $263\ 00:12:30.540 \longrightarrow 00:12:31.593$ being shipped around,
- $264\ 00:12:32.460 --> 00:12:34.470$ data can also come into this workspace
- $265\ 00:12:34.470 \longrightarrow 00:12:37.923$ as an intermediate space that's private to a given lab,
- $266~00{:}12{:}39.210 \dashrightarrow 00{:}12{:}43.041$ but allows for a different kind of model on sharing data

 $267\ 00:12:43.041 \longrightarrow 00:12:46.740$ where it sort of stays under the control of the lab,

 $268\ 00:12:46.740 --> 00:12:48.745$ you know, whoever puts it there can take it back,

269 00:12:48.745 --> 00:12:50.520 that kind of thing.

270 00:12:50.520 --> 00:12:53.730 Okay so we've been exploring this model

 $271\ 00{:}12{:}53.730 \dashrightarrow 00{:}12{:}57.300$ and we've also been talking to other organizations

 $272\ 00{:}12{:}57.300 \dashrightarrow 00{:}13{:}00.030$ and universities about this model and how to use it,

273 00:13:00.030 --> 00:13:01.680 how to implement it, right?

 $274~00{:}13{:}01.680 --> 00{:}13{:}05.081$ As I mentioned, we've been talking to folks like

 $275\ 00:13:05.081$ --> 00:13:07.740 at Harvard Medical School that partner with Amazon

276 00:13:07.740 --> 00:13:10.890 to bring these sorts of instances into their

 $277\ 00:13:10.890 \longrightarrow 00:13:12.570$ labs and what can be done with it.

278 00:13:12.570 --> 00:13:14.010 So I'm gonna wanna talk a little bit

279 00:13:14.010 --> 00:13:16.410 about like some of those details,

 $280\ 00{:}13{:}16.410 \dashrightarrow 00{:}13{:}19.410$ and I'm saying it here in the context of our product,

281 00:13:19.410 --> 00:13:20.400 but I'm not trying to sell you anything.

 $282\ 00:13:20.400 --> 00:13:21.300$ I'm really trying to talk about it

 $283\ 00:13:21.300 \longrightarrow 00:13:23.880$ more in the context of what can be done.

284 00:13:23.880 --> 00:13:26.763 So thinking about it, like,

 $285\ 00:13:27.900 \longrightarrow 00:13:29.340$ so I mentioned SaaS as an example.

286 00:13:29.340 --> 00:13:31.170 I mentioned Jupyter Notebooks as an example,

 $287\ 00:13:31.170 --> 00:13:33.525$ but there might be other kinds of software

 $288\ 00:13:33.525 --> 00:13:35.583$ that are more particular to a use case,

 $289\ 00{:}13{:}35.583 \dashrightarrow 00{:}13{:}38.010$ like MATLAB's another one that could be installed.

 $290\ 00:13:38.010 --> 00:13:39.898$ But there might be even more specific software

291 00:13:39.898 --> 00:13:43.680 that might need to be set up or run.

- 292 00:13:43.680 --> 00:13:46.599 Sometimes, for example, survey software
- $293\ 00{:}13{:}46.599 \dashrightarrow 00{:}13{:}50.650$ where you might collect data from a very particular kind of
- $294~00{:}13{:}51.540 --> 00{:}13{:}53.820$ survey system and you need something to work with it.
- 295 00:13:53.820 --> 00:13:55.260 So imagine that,
- $296\ 00:13:55.260 --> 00:13:57.561$ like for the use case that you might have, right,
- 297 00:13:57.561 --> 00:14:01.500 you could have a workspace that is set up
- $298~00{:}14{:}01.500 \dashrightarrow 00{:}14{:}03.330$ so that all that software comes pre-built
- 299 00:14:03.330 --> 00:14:04.280 once you set it up.
- 300 00:14:05.208 --> 00:14:07.410 Much like, you know, having laptops
- $301\ 00:14:07.410 \longrightarrow 00:14:10.200$ that have come pre-configured with a certain set of tools,
- 302 00:14:10.200 --> 00:14:11.790 but instead of handing out physical laptops,
- $303\ 00:14:11.790 \longrightarrow 00:14:13.980$ it's on the cloud.
- 304 00:14:13.980 --> 00:14:14.850 The virtual collaboration,
- $305~00{:}14{:}14.850 \dashrightarrow 00{:}14{:}18.180$ I think I've gone through a lot, the multiple workspace,
- 306 00:14:18.180 --> 00:14:20.340 I think I mentioned also.
- 307 00:14:20.340 --> 00:14:23.220 Data security I kinda mentioned, you know,
- $308\ 00:14:23.220 --> 00:14:25.530$ anybody who's doing data analysis
- 309 00:14:25.530 --> 00:14:28.710 with anybody who has, you know,
- $310\ 00{:}14{:}28.710 \dashrightarrow 00{:}14{:}30.120$ talking to somebody that they weren't the ones
- 311 00:14:30.120 --> 00:14:32.370 to collect it, I'm sure has run into challenges
- $312\ 00{:}14{:}32.370 \dashrightarrow 00{:}14{:}36.690$ where folks are reticent to, you know, share data.
- $313\ 00:14:36.690 \longrightarrow 00:14:38.430$ So that's why in this context,
- $314\ 00:14:38.430 --> 00:14:40.830$ it's really important to note that like, you know,
- $315\ 00:14:40.830 --> 00:14:42.360$ we can lock that environment down
- $316~00{:}14{:}42.360 \dashrightarrow 00{:}14{:}44.310$ and make sure that only the people that can log into it

- $317\ 00:14:44.310 \longrightarrow 00:14:47.400$ have access to it, that's a really important point.
- $318\ 00:14:47.400 \longrightarrow 00:14:49.140$ So it's not really like the data
- $319\ 00:14:49.140 \longrightarrow 00:14:50.520$ are going out of somebody's control.
- 320 00:14:50.520 --> 00:14:51.540 Again, they're kept in a place
- $321\ 00:14:51.540 \longrightarrow 00:14:53.490$ where anybody who wants to can remove
- $322\ 00:14:53.490 \longrightarrow 00:14:55.563$ that data again and delete it.
- $323\ 00{:}14{:}56.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}15{:}00.664$ And then if there were to be very computationally aggressive
- $324\ 00:15:00.664 \longrightarrow 00:15:04.353$ things to do, it's very easy to scale it up.
- $325\ 00:15:05.360 \longrightarrow 00:15:09.510$ And that's something that folks also like.
- $326\ 00{:}15{:}09.510 \dashrightarrow 00{:}15{:}13.710$ So how, you know, how are ways that this kind of workspace
- 327 00:15:13.710 --> 00:15:16.680 can support biostatistics research
- $328\ 00:15:16.680 \longrightarrow 00:15:18.270$ and data analysis in general.
- $329~00:15:18.270 \longrightarrow 00:15:20.280$ So I mentioned data science as a service
- $330\ 00:15:20.280 \longrightarrow 00:15:21.990$ a little bit in this example.
- 331 00:15:21.990 --> 00:15:25.547 So this would be the case where any organization
- $332\ 00:15:25.547 --> 00:15:28.880$ who say doesn't have biostatistics
- $333\ 00:15:28.880 \longrightarrow 00:15:32.082$ or data science expertise local to them
- $334\ 00:15:32.082 \longrightarrow 00:15:36.090$ might be interested in sort of renting time
- $335\ 00:15:36.090 \longrightarrow 00:15:40.020$ or having some part-time person come in to help with that.
- $336\ 00:15:40.020 \longrightarrow 00:15:42.401$ And that's a model that we've seen work well
- $337\ 00:15:42.401 \longrightarrow 00:15:44.250$ both for labs and for companies.
- $338\ 00:15:44.250 --> 00:15:48.510$ One way in which labs really like it is new PIs
- 339 00:15:48.510 --> 00:15:51.150 with a startup package that just, you know,
- 340 00:15:51.150 --> 00:15:53.970 first few weeks into their appointment
- $341\ 00:15:53.970 \longrightarrow 00:15:56.760$ with an R one, right, no staff yet.
- $342\ 00{:}15{:}56.760 --> 00{:}16{:}01.323$ Nobody, but they're coming in with data from their previous,
- 343 00:16:03.182 --> 00:16:05.744 you know, from their postdoc basically.

- 344 00:16:05.744 --> 00:16:07.020 And what do they do, right?
- $345\ 00:16:07.020 \longrightarrow 00:16:10.350$ They need to write grants, they need to like hire staff.
- $346\ 00:16:10.350 \longrightarrow 00:16:11.610$ they need to do all these things.
- 347 00:16:11.610 --> 00:16:15.330 So we've actually found labs are very happy
- $348\ 00:16:15.330 \longrightarrow 00:16:18.660$ in that circumstance just to get going, you know,
- 349 00:16:18.660 --> 00:16:20.100 to be like, "Hey, I have this data,
- $350\ 00:16:20.100 \longrightarrow 00:16:21.300$ I haven't analyzed it yet.
- $351\ 00{:}16{:}21.300 \dashrightarrow 00{:}16{:}22.707$ I really wanna put in my grant proposals.
- $352\ 00{:}16{:}22.707 \dashrightarrow 00{:}16{:}26.662$ I just need somebody to kind of sit with me virtually
- 353 00:16:26.662 --> 00:16:30.449 and run through this data,
- $354\ 00:16:30.449 \longrightarrow 00:16:32.850$ so that I can get these figures
- 355 00:16:32.850 --> 00:16:34.260 made and get my grant out, right?"
- 356 00:16:34.260 --> 00:16:35.880 And I just don't have time
- $357\ 00:16:35.880 \longrightarrow 00:16:37.200$ to bring on a full person to do that.
- $358\ 00{:}16{:}37.200 {\:\hbox{--}}{>}\ 00{:}16{:}40.290$ So data sciences service can be very useful for that.
- $359\ 00:16:40.290 --> 00:16:42.240$ Data standardization and sharing as a service.
- $360~00{:}16{:}42.240 \dashrightarrow 00{:}16{:}45.750$ So, you know, I'm not sure how much it's affecting folks
- 361 00:16:45.750 --> 00:16:48.287 in the room, but the NIIH over time
- $362\ 00{:}16{:}48.287 --> 00{:}16{:}53.287$ has gotten increasingly serious about making data sharing
- 363 00:16:54.720 --> 00:16:56.175 happen for real for real,
- $364\ 00:16:56.175 \longrightarrow 00:16:58.260$ and not for fake for real, right?
- $365\ 00:16:58.260 --> 00:17:00.570$ And so this year in particular,
- $366~00:17:00.570 \dashrightarrow 00:17:04.680$ a new policy from NIIH has come out, DMS policy,
- $367\ 00{:}17{:}04.680 --> 00{:}17{:}08.610$ where they're really, really asking for even, you know,
- $368~00{:}17{:}08.610 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}10.860$ grant proposals to have a whole data management

- 369 00:17:10.860 --> 00:17:14.880 strategy figured out upon submission.
- $370\ 00{:}17{:}14.880 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}19.320$ And even, you know, saying you need to set aside
- $371\ 00:17:19.320 \longrightarrow 00:17:20.153$ some budget for that
- $372\ 00{:}17{:}20.153 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}22.440$ 'cause it turns out data sharing doesn't happen for free,
- 373 00:17:22.440 --> 00:17:24.060 doesn't happen for free, you know,
- 374 00:17:24.060 --> 00:17:25.817 for PIs for their time, right?
- $375\ 00:17:25.817 --> 00:17:29.190$ So that's also something where, okay,
- $376\ 00:17:29.190 --> 00:17:30.420\ I$ don't have the expertise to figure out
- 377 00:17:30.420 --> 00:17:34.110 which of the billion databases I might share my data in.
- 378 00:17:34.110 --> 00:17:35.880 Could somebody come in and help do that?
- $379\ 00:17:35.880 \longrightarrow 00:17:36.990$ Well how do you do that?
- $380\ 00:17:36.990 --> 00:17:41.220$ You know, when I did work in the neuroinformatics
- $381\ 00:17:41.220 --> 00:17:43.170$ space as a graduate student
- $382\ 00{:}17{:}43.170 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}46.530$ and I was trying to help figure out for neuroscientists
- $383\ 00{:}17{:}46.530 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}50.100$ how to get data that they had, you know, collected
- $384\ 00{:}17{:}50.100 \dashrightarrow 00{:}17{:}54.600$ in a very laborious process of experimental collection,
- $385\ 00:17:54.600 --> 00:17:56.880$ was trying to help them share their data
- $386\ 00:17:56.880 --> 00:17:59.489$ 'cause they wanted to comply with these policies
- $387\ 00:17:59.489 \dots > 00:18:04.290$ even back then, you know, very frequently I would
- 388 00:18:04.290 --> 00:18:05.407 get the challenge of like,
- 389 00:18:05.407 --> 00:18:08.040 "Yeah, it's in a hard drive under my desk, right?
- 390~00:18:08.040 --> 00:18:10.080 Physical hard drive sitting under my desk, right?"
- 391 00:18:10.080 --> 00:18:14.310 Like, okay, so you can go pick it up and like take it away

- $392\ 00:18:14.310 \longrightarrow 00:18:15.330$ and do something with it.
- $393~00:18:15.330 \longrightarrow 00:18:18.960$ But you know, they don't have the expertise, you know,
- 394 00:18:18.960 --> 00:18:22.200 locally to even know, okay, now we're gonna plug it in
- $395\ 00:18:22.200 \longrightarrow 00:18:23.250$ and we gotta look through it
- $396\ 00:18:23.250 \longrightarrow 00:18:26.520$ and like, oh, the PhD student is left three years ago.
- 397 00:18:26.520 --> 00:18:27.353 And like, how do I do that?
- 39800:18:27.353 --> 00:18:31.200 So the idea of, okay, if all we can do is like take that
- 399 00:18:31.200 --> 00:18:32.580 hard drive from under the desk
- $400\ 00:18:32.580$ --> 00:18:37.320 and like plug it in the cloud, share it on Dropbox,
- 401 00:18:37.320 --> 00:18:38.643 okay, something like this or you know,
- 402 00:18:38.643 --> 00:18:40.813 have a conduit to get it to the cloud,
- $403\ 00:18:40.813 --> 00:18:43.385$ share that folder in a workspace online
- $404~00{:}18{:}43.385 \dashrightarrow 00{:}18{:}47.220$ and then have some body else that does this all the time
- $405\ 00:18:47.220 \longrightarrow 00:18:49.320$ like go through all that and do their best to start,
- $406\ 00:18:49.320 --> 00:18:50.940$ you know, documenting what they find,
- $407~00{:}18{:}50.940 \dashrightarrow 00{:}18{:}54.120$ maybe raising questions that they might find, you know,
- $408\ 00:18:54.120 \longrightarrow 00:18:55.357$ to present to the PI,
- $409\ 00:18:55.357 --> 00:18:57.900$ "Hey, I know your PhD student left three years ago,
- $410\ 00:18:57.900 --> 00:18:59.160$ but you know, can you tell me a little bit
- 411 00:18:59.160 --> 00:19:00.840 about this experimental methodology?"
- 412 00:19:00.840 --> 00:19:03.390 There's now at least a hope that you can start,
- 413 00:19:03.390 --> 00:19:04.650 you know, standardizing that data,
- $414\ 00:19:04.650 \longrightarrow 00:19:05.971$ sharing it in a better way,
- $415\ 00{:}19{:}05.971 \dashrightarrow 00{:}19{:}09.097$ making the NIIH not come kick down your door

- $416\ 00:19:09.097 \longrightarrow 00:19:11.040$ with the data sharing police force
- 417 00:19:11.040 --> 00:19:13.680 that I'm sure they're setting up now.
- 418 00:19:13.680 --> 00:19:14.580 Okay probably not.
- 419 00:19:15.519 --> 00:19:20.519 Okay a third way is through workshops.
- 420 00:19:20.700 --> 00:19:22.920 And I'll have some specific examples
- 421 00:19:22.920 --> 00:19:24.780 a little bit later about this one.
- 422 00:19:24.780 --> 00:19:26.520 But if you think about, you know,
- 423 00:19:26.520 --> 00:19:29.670 the experience of either physically traveling
- 424 00:19:29.670 --> 00:19:31.440 or doing what we're doing here
- 425 00:19:31.440 --> 00:19:35.760 and then being exposed to software, right?
- $426\ 00:19:35.760 \longrightarrow 00:19:37.230$ It's one thing to have slides show
- $427\ 00{:}19{:}37.230 \dashrightarrow 00{:}19{:}39.060$ you pretty pictures of what software looks like.
- 428 00:19:39.060 --> 00:19:42.787 And it's another thing to say basically like,
- $429\ 00:19:42.787 --> 00:19:47.120$ "Hey, log into, like go right now on your laptops
- $430\ 00:19:47.120 \longrightarrow 00:19:49.740$ and go hit this address"
- 431 00:19:49.740 --> 00:19:52.860 and like, here's your login and like while I'm explaining it
- 432 00:19:52.860 --> 00:19:56.569 to you, check it out, play with it, right?
- $433\ 00:19:56.569 --> 00:20:00.450$ So we've actually found that also to be a really valuable
- $434\ 00:20:00.450 \longrightarrow 00:20:05.450$ way to do an extra level of education and demonstration,
- 435 00:20:05.460 --> 00:20:08.790 especially for tools built in academia,
- $436\ 00{:}20{:}08.790 \dashrightarrow 00{:}20{:}10.920$ which generally have a pretty small audience, right?
- 437 00:20:10.920 --> 00:20:14.010 Not a lot of people use them maybe necessarily,
- 438 00:20:14.010 --> 00:20:15.780 or it's like a very niche community.
- $439\ 00:20:15.780 \longrightarrow 00:20:17.700$ So the total number of humans is not great.
- $440\ 00{:}20{:}17.700 \dashrightarrow 00{:}20{:}21.000$ So to have the ability right now in a live session

- 441 00:20:21.000 --> 00:20:23.820 to be like, let me show you this software you log in right
- $442\ 00:20:23.820 \longrightarrow 00:20:27.030$ now, play with it can move the needle a lot on getting folks
- $443\ 00:20:27.030 \longrightarrow 00:20:30.600$ to use stuff that that there will really be tools
- $444\ 00:20:30.600 \longrightarrow 00:20:32.910$ that they will actually help them a lot.
- 445 00:20:32.910 --> 00:20:34.500 And then lastly, you know,
- 446 00:20:34.500 --> 00:20:37.710 collaborations between labs, right?
- 447 00:20:37.710 --> 00:20:39.690 Hey, we just set up a consortia,
- 448 00:20:39.690 --> 00:20:41.160 it's a five lab consortia
- 449 00:20:41.160 --> 00:20:43.770 and we're all studying this thing, right?
- $450\ 00:20:43.770 \longrightarrow 00:20:46.080$ It's a collaboration between the folks that are generating
- 451 00:20:46.080 \rightarrow 00:20:47.580 the data and the folks are gonna analyze the data.
- $452\ 00{:}20{:}47.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}20{:}49.973$ Okay, great, we got this really smart set of mathematicians
- $453\ 00{:}20{:}49.973 \dashrightarrow 00{:}20{:}53.004$ who are gonna do all these great statistics, awe some.
- $454\ 00:20:53.004 --> 00:20:55.170$ How do you get the data from point A to point B?
- 455 00:20:55.170 --> 00:20:57.826 Well email, right?
- 456 00:20:57.826 --> 00:21:00.720 So what if you can improve that, right?
- 457 00:21:00.720 --> 00:21:04.200 Or you know, the context of, you know,
- $458\ 00:21:04.200 --> 00:21:06.360$ we also find companies wanna collaborate with each other's
- $459\ 00{:}21{:}06.360 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}08.160$ and then universities and companies wanna collaborate
- $460\ 00:21:08.160 \longrightarrow 00:21:09.630$ with each other also, right?
- 461 00:21:09.630 --> 00:21:13.089 So in ways that I haven't already listed,
- 462 00:21:13.089 --> 00:21:16.860 but just collaborations of whatever variety.
- 463 00:21:16.860 --> 00:21:19.467 So when it comes down to those things, right,
- $464~00{:}21{:}19.467 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}22.350$ it's one step better than just sharing on Dropbox

- $465\ 00{:}21{:}22.350 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}24.240$ and being like, here are the data, go check it out
- $466\ 00{:}21{:}24.240 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}28.233$ 'cause you're keeping the analysis all together, right?
- 467 00:21:29.220 --> 00:21:31.170 It adds a layer of reproducibility
- 468 00:21:31.170 --> 00:21:32.430 to those kinds of collaborations,
- $469\ 00:21:32.430 \longrightarrow 00:21:36.330$ which are hard to match in addition to all the other things,
- $470\ 00:21:36.330 \longrightarrow 00:21:39.303$ all the great best practices for reproducibility.
- $471\ 00{:}21{:}40.140 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}42.840$ Okay so that's four ways to use cloud workspaces
- 472 00:21:42.840 --> 00:21:44.390 support biostatistics research.
- $473\ 00{:}21{:}46.890 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}50.640$ So let's, you know, I think I've kind of walked through this
- 474 00:21:50.640 --> 00:21:51.960 example already verbally,
- $475\ 00:21:51.960 --> 00:21:53.884$ but I did have a slide specifically for it.
- $476\ 00:21:53.884 \longrightarrow 00:21:57.090$ So like this happens in research all the time.
- $477\ 00{:}21{:}57.090 \dashrightarrow 00{:}21{:}59.550$ There's a lab that needs a particular analysis completed
- $478\ 00:21:59.550 --> 00:22:01.290$ and they don't have the expertise in lab.
- $479\ 00:22:01.290 \longrightarrow 00:22:02.130$ What can be done?
- 480 00:22:02.130 --> 00:22:04.290 So typically the alternatives are, you know,
- $481\ 00{:}22{:}04.290 \dashrightarrow 00{:}22{:}06.780$ bring in some student or a postdoc or collaborate
- $482\ 00{:}22{:}06.780 {\: --> \:} 00{:}22{:}09.480$ with a lab that has some mathematical expertise
- $483\ 00:22:09.480 \longrightarrow 00:22:10.800$ to perform analysis.
- $484\ 00:22:10.800 --> 00:22:13.410$ But that can be quite time consuming, you know,
- $485\ 00{:}22{:}13.410 --> 00{:}22{:}16.350$ that might not deliver the results you're looking for.
- 486 00:22:16.350 --> 00:22:20.040 Secondly, right for folks who might, you know,
- 487 00:22:20.040 --> 00:22:21.450 be in a position, like I mentioned
- 488 00:22:21.450 --> 00:22:25.200 with early lab set up, right?

- $489\ 00:22:25.200 --> 00:22:27.265$ Engaging some part-time data scientists from industry
- $490\ 00{:}22{:}27.265 \dashrightarrow 00{:}22{:}30.840$ could help work on particular problems as needed.
- 491 00:22:30.840 --> 00:22:32.892 And that's interesting both perhaps
- 492 00:22:32.892 --> 00:22:34.920 from the perspective of me as a company,
- $493\ 00:22:34.920 \longrightarrow 00:22:38.370$ but also maybe interesting for yourselves
- 494 00:22:38.370 --> 00:22:41.001 thinking about a path through industry
- $495\ 00:22:41.001 --> 00:22:44.580$ where you might be able to do biostatistics
- $496\ 00{:}22{:}44.580 \to 00{:}22{:}48.813$ for multiple organizations at once, not just one at a time.
- 497 00:22:49.890 --> 00:22:50.850 And then it's also interesting,
- $498\ 00:22:50.850 -> 00:22:52.980$ as I mentioned from the perspective folks
- $499\ 00:22:52.980 \longrightarrow 00:22:55.613$ that have the problem that need to get the analysis done.
- 500 00:22:57.300 --> 00:23:02.300 Okay so some case studies, does this happen?
- 501 00:23:02.520 --> 00:23:05.340 I sort of mentioned abstractly, it does,
- $502\ 00:23:05.340 \longrightarrow 00:23:10.340$ but these are five cases that we've worked on in our company
- 503 00:23:10.410 --> 00:23:14.070 and they are, many of them have a,
- $504\ 00:23:14.070 \longrightarrow 00:23:15.150$ well they all have the theme
- 50500:23:15.150 --> 00:23:17.670 of being calcium imaging data, okay?
- $506~00:23:17.670 \longrightarrow 00:23:20.370$ So here, you know, swap out biostatistics
- $507~00{:}23{:}20.370 \dashrightarrow 00{:}23{:}23.102$ for looking at data that comes from a microscope.
- $508\ 00:23:23.102 \longrightarrow 00:23:25.050$ But at the end of the day,
- $509\ 00{:}23{:}25.050 \dashrightarrow 00{:}23{:}29.283$ that data from a microscope is basically a video stream,
- 510 00:23:31.470 --> 00:23:33.360 generally black and white images
- $511\ 00:23:33.360 \longrightarrow 00:23:35.790$ that then have to be post-processed.
- $512~00{:}23{:}35.790 \dashrightarrow 00{:}23{:}38.926$ And from that video stream there's a spatial component
- $513~00{:}23{:}38.926 \dashrightarrow 00{:}23{:}42.970$ of looking at a field of neurons under a microscope

- $514\ 00:23:44.250 \longrightarrow 00:23:45.393$ and a time component.
- 515 00:23:46.303 --> 00:23:48.960 Like how did those, you know,
- 516 00:23:48.960 --> 00:23:51.360 neurons activity change over time.
- $517\ 00:23:51.360 \longrightarrow 00:23:54.000$ But there's a lot of like statistical challenges
- $518\ 00:23:54.000 \longrightarrow 00:23:55.016$ that have to go into that.
- $519\ 00:23:55.016$ --> 00:23:58.020 You need to separate the neurons out from each other, okay?
- $520\ 00:23:58.020 --> 00:24:00.090$ They kind of overlapped on each other.
- $521\ 00:24:00.090 --> 00:24:04.080$ So looking at a video stream, you're not always sure, right?
- $522\ 00:24:04.080 --> 00:24:06.240$ If I'm looking at one neuron or two neurons.
- 523 00:24:06.240 --> 00:24:07.710 So you have to do some spatial analysis
- $524\ 00:24:07.710 \longrightarrow 00:24:09.450$ to separate those out.
- $525\ 00:24:09.450 \longrightarrow 00:24:12.930$ And then you wanna do some sort of peak finding over time.
- $526~00{:}24{:}12.930 \dashrightarrow 00{:}24{:}15.240$ What you kind of wanna extract out is a time series
- 527 00:24:15.240 --> 00:24:16.860 of however many neurons you've detected
- 528 00:24:16.860 --> 00:24:18.870 in your field of view
- $529\ 00:24:18.870 --> 00:24:21.450$ and then start to do some additional analysis.
- $530\ 00:24:21.450 \longrightarrow 00:24:24.240$ And that additional analysis will be based on
- $531\ 00:24:24.240 --> 00:24:26.040$ the specifics of the experimental setup
- $532\ 00{:}24{:}26.040 \dashrightarrow 00{:}24{:}29.253$ and like, you know, what part of brain were you looking at?
- $533\ 00:24:30.390 \longrightarrow 00:24:33.189$ What was your protocol that you applied
- $534\ 00:24:33.189 \longrightarrow 00:24:36.690$ and what kind of expectations
- $535\ 00{:}24{:}36.690 \rightarrow 00{:}24{:}40.113$ do you have about the time series that you extracted?
- $536\ 00:24:41.220 \longrightarrow 00:24:45.150$ So these organizations that we work with, I guess, you know,
- $537\ 00:24:45.150 \longrightarrow 00:24:47.580$ four out of five are universities.
- $538~00{:}24{:}47.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}24{:}50.820$ So DGIST is Institute of Science and Technology

539 00:24:50.820 --> 00:24:55.820 in South Korea, McGill University in Canada,

 $540~00{:}24{:}58.140 \dashrightarrow 00{:}25{:}03.140$ University of Penn, UPenn and University of Alabama.

541~00:25:03.589 --> 00:25:08.589 And then Maze, which is a small pharma company

 $542\ 00:25:09.360 --> 00:25:13.590$ in San Francisco and they're all doing calcium imaging work.

 $543~00{:}25{:}13.590 \dashrightarrow 00{:}25{:}17.850$ And I think we served all of these organizations

 $544\ 00:25:17.850 \longrightarrow 00:25:20.643$ within the same span of about six months.

 $545\ 00:25:21.568 --> 00:25:26.501$ Each one of them had brought different data to the table.

 $546~00{:}25{:}26.501 \dashrightarrow 00{:}25{:}29.160$ They're all generally in this form of video data

 $547\ 00:25:29.160 --> 00:25:32.223$ with the calcium imaging to extract.

548 00:25:33.060 --> 00:25:33.930 All five of them were served

549 00:25:33.930 --> 00:25:37.530 by the same data scientist on our side,

 $550~00{:}25{:}37.530 \dashrightarrow 00{:}25{:}39.480$ gentleman whose picture you saw earlier

 $551\ 00:25:41.100 --> 00:25:43.620$ but they had very different scientific protocols, right?

 $552\ 00{:}25{:}43.620 {\: \hbox{\scriptsize -->}}\ 00{:}25{:}47.010$ So it wasn't necessary that one person full-time

 $553\ 00:25:47.010 --> 00:25:49.560$ over six months worked on each of these projects, right?

554 00:25:49.560 --> 00:25:51.786 Instead we have one individual,

555 00:25:51.786 --> 00:25:54.300 who's able to jump from project to project

556~00:25:54.300 --> 00:25:59.300 and check back in with multiple PIs/business leaders,

 $557~00{:}26{:}01.410 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}04.980$ managers to check in on the results of that, right?

558 00:26:04.980 --> 00:26:07.593 And that person never left their home, right?

 $559~00{:}26{:}08.490 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}13.170$ So our company is also fully remote, which is nice.

560~00:26:13.170 --> 00:26:16.620 And so I think that's a really powerful demonstration

- 561 00:26:16.620 --> 00:26:19.363 of what's possible for this kind of analysis,
- 562 00:26:19.363 --> 00:26:24.363 whereby, you know, essentially organizations
- $563\ 00:26:25.260 --> 00:26:26.970$ in multiple different countries
- 564 00:26:26.970 --> 00:26:29.370 and different continent in one case, right,
- $565~00{:}26{:}29.370 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}32.539$ can all be served by the same person doing roughly
- $566~00{:}26{:}32.539 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}36.021$ having roughly the same skill set of data analysis
- $567\ 00{:}26{:}36.021 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}40.230$ but working on data that addresses very different scientific
- $568\ 00:26:40.230 \longrightarrow 00:26:43.140$ questions all at the same time.
- 569 00:26:43.140 --> 00:26:46.590 Okay, so that's a thing.
- 570 00:26:46.590 --> 00:26:49.080 And, in each one of these, I should say
- $571~00{:}26{:}49.080 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}51.450$ been done in this collaboration model that I mentioned
- $572~00{:}26{:}51.450 \dashrightarrow 00{:}26{:}56.450$ where there's one workspace per organization, right?
- 573 00:26:56.670 --> 00:26:59.340 So each organization has their own workspace,
- $574\ 00:26:59.340 \longrightarrow 00:27:01.380$ they log into it, they can see the results
- $575\ 00:27:01.380 \longrightarrow 00:27:04.200$ of the data science work that happens.
- 576 00:27:04.200 --> 00:27:06.240 They have all in one way or the other,
- $577\ 00:27:06.240 --> 00:27:09.325$ put data into the workspace, right?
- $578~00{:}27{:}09.325 \dashrightarrow 00{:}27{:}12.840$ And, they've all sort of been able to pull figures back out
- $579~00{:}27{:}12.840 \to 00{:}27{:}17.840$ again and direct the flow of analysis in the direction
- 580 00:27:18.810 --> 00:27:21.630 that they wanted through Zoom calls,
- 581 00:27:21.630 --> 00:27:23.340 like the one that I mentioned
- $582\ 00:27:23.340 \longrightarrow 00:27:24.810$ generally on like a weekly basis
- $583\ 00:27:24.810 --> 00:27:26.823$ or every couple weeks check in.
- $584~00{:}27{:}28.159 \dashrightarrow 00{:}27{:}33.159$ So yeah, a little bit more about the team behind that
- 585 00:27:33.930 --> 00:27:35.490 in terms of thinking about like what it takes

- $586\ 00:27:35.490 \longrightarrow 00:27:36.490$ to make that happen.
- $587~00:27:37.410 \dashrightarrow 00:27:39.360$ While there is a little bit of like finding those labs
- 588 00:27:39.360 --> 00:27:41.423 and figuring out that they have that problem,
- $589\ 00:27:42.390 \longrightarrow 00:27:44.790$ which are not taken care of
- $590\ 00:27:44.790 \longrightarrow 00:27:46.200$ by the individuals on this screen.
- 591 00:27:46.200 --> 00:27:50.040 But I mentioned, I mentioned Phil, the PhD;
- 592 00:27:50.040 --> 00:27:52.140 another PhD, who's worked with us
- $593\ 00:27:52.140 \longrightarrow 00:27:54.570$ as data scientist is Marcus.
- $594~00{:}27{:}54.570 \dashrightarrow 00{:}27{:}56.790$ And then kind of orchestrating behind the scenes,
- $595\ 00:27:56.790 --> 00:27:59.306$ the standing up of these workspaces
- 596 00:27:59.306 --> 00:28:02.133 is a software architect, Zoran.
- 597~00:28:04.380 --> 00:28:06.960 Phil in the New York area, New York City area.
- $598~00{:}28{:}06.960 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}11.960$ Marcus is in China and Zoran is in the Netherlands.
- $599~00{:}28{:}12.720 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}16.230$ So again, interesting to think about the different
- $600\ 00{:}28{:}16.230 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}19.170$ geographies where folks come from being able to serve people
- 601 00:28:19.170 --> 00:28:20.730 in different geographies,
- 602 00:28:20.730 --> 00:28:23.010 but all of them when it comes to a project,
- $603\ 00:28:23.010 --> 00:28:27.180$ like the center organizing node is a workspace.
- $604\ 00:28:27.180 \longrightarrow 00:28:28.410$ That is the thing that helps
- $605\ 00:28:28.410 \longrightarrow 00:28:30.851$ coordinate a lot of this together.
- $606\ 00:28:30.851 \longrightarrow 00:28:33.101$ There are a few other technologies that help.
- $607~00{:}28{:}34.190 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}36.570$ Those of you familiar with like a Kanban board
- 608 00:28:36.570 --> 00:28:39.247 or just really any kind of task driven software,
- 609 00:28:39.247 --> 00:28:41.580 you know, you can bring that to bear as well.
- $610~00{:}28{:}41.580 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}44.070$ So one of the ways you can organize work a little bit better

- $611\ 00:28:44.070 --> 00:28:46.440$ than just sending emails back and forth
- $612\ 00:28:46.440 \longrightarrow 00:28:49.830$ is to encapsulate each task,
- $613\ 00{:}28{:}49.830 \dashrightarrow 00{:}28{:}52.974$ break each task down into a card on a Kanban board.
- $614\ 00:28:52.974 \longrightarrow 00:28:55.693$ We like the tool called Trello,
- $615\ 00:28:55.693 \longrightarrow 00:28:57.690$ but there's lots of them out there
- $616\ 00:28:57.690 \longrightarrow 00:28:59.550$ that can be used for such things.
- 617 00:28:59.550 --> 00:29:01.800 And then, you know, one card per task
- $618\ 00:29:01.800 \longrightarrow 00:29:03.870$ is a nice way to organize things.
- $619\ 00{:}29{:}03.870 \dashrightarrow 00{:}29{:}06.810$ And then using a practice from software engineering,
- 620 00:29:06.810 --> 00:29:09.480 you can actually sort of estimate
- 621 00:29:09.480 --> 00:29:11.807 in roughly how many hours, you know,
- $622\ 00:29:11.807 \longrightarrow 00:29:14.610$ the data scientists might think it would take
- $623\ 00:29:14.610 \longrightarrow 00:29:16.380$ to do a given task
- $624\ 00:29:16.380 \longrightarrow 00:29:18.240$ and then use that as a way to figure out
- $625\ 00:29:18.240 \longrightarrow 00:29:19.560$ like how long it's gonna take
- $626\ 00:29:19.560 \longrightarrow 00:29:21.480$ to do a certain kind of analysis.
- 627 00:29:21.480 --> 00:29:23.130 This is a practice that we actually use
- 628 00:29:23.130 --> 00:29:24.900 across my company for all sorts of tasks,
- 629 00:29:24.900 --> 00:29:26.250 not just data science,
- $630~00{:}29{:}26.250 \dashrightarrow 00{:}29{:}28.410$ really organizing kind of everything that we do
- $631\ 00:29:28.410 \longrightarrow 00:29:30.900$ on the basis of making cards like this
- $632\ 00:29:30.900 \longrightarrow 00:29:31.770$ and moving things across.
- 633 00:29:31.770 --> 00:29:32.670 And I'm still surprised
- $634\ 00:29:32.670 \longrightarrow 00:29:35.043$ how many organizations don't use this.
- $635\ 00:29:36.001 --> 00:29:37.590$ I have lots of friends in academia
- $636\ 00:29:37.590 \longrightarrow 00:29:38.640$ that do this just for their labs.
- $637~00{:}29{:}38.640 \dashrightarrow 00{:}29{:}39.919$ You guys might do this in your labs, I don't know.
- 638 00:29:39.919 --> 00:29:43.560 But for organizing oneself,

- 639 00:29:43.560 --> 00:29:45.690 even if you do meet in person,
- $640\ 00:29:45.690 --> 00:29:47.875$ having this sort of set up in the cloud
- 641 00:29:47.875 --> 00:29:50.943 can be very helpful for organizing work.
- $642\ 00:29:51.840 --> 00:29:53.610$ Not sure how new or not new this is
- $643\ 00:29:53.610 --> 00:29:57.300$ to those of you in the room, but something we use.
- 644 00:29:57.300 --> 00:29:58.440 And then of course there's Slack,
- 645 00:29:58.440 --> 00:30:01.743 which I think has pretty good adoption amongst academia.
- $646\ 00:30:03.360 \longrightarrow 00:30:06.219$ We do find almost every lab that we talk to
- $647\ 00:30:06.219 \longrightarrow 00:30:08.883$ pretty much is on Slack or some version of it.
- 648 00:30:09.780 --> 00:30:12.210 Companies are using Microsoft Teams,
- 649 00:30:12.210 --> 00:30:13.470 which I personally like less,
- $650\ 00:30:13.470 \longrightarrow 00:30:16.620$ but you know, but we use that too.
- 651 00:30:16.620 --> 00:30:18.123 But basically, you know,
- $652\ 00{:}30{:}20.430 \dashrightarrow 00{:}30{:}23.490$ one thing that we do that maybe others don't do
- $653\ 00:30:23.490 \longrightarrow 00:30:25.800$ is to connect a Kanban board like
- $654\ 00:30:25.800 \longrightarrow 00:30:28.410$ the one that you saw to spit out notifications
- $655\ 00:30:28.410 \longrightarrow 00:30:31.020$ in a Slack channel at the same time,
- $656\ 00{:}30{:}31.020 \dashrightarrow 00{:}30{:}33.850$ which can be really nice if you are a Slack based person
- $657\ 00:30:34.740 --> 00:30:37.260$ to just like be able to see how tasks are changing
- $658\ 00:30:37.260 \longrightarrow 00:30:39.600$ and evolving in the feed,
- $659\ 00{:}30{:}39.600 \dashrightarrow 00{:}30{:}41.880$ which then doesn't require an extra conversation, right?
- $660~00{:}30{:}41.880 \dashrightarrow 00{:}30{:}45.210$ Like "Hey, so we agreed on Monday that you were gonna,
- 661 00:30:45.210 --> 00:30:50.210 you know, do that t-test on this survey data,
- 662 00:30:50.430 --> 00:30:52.410 how's that going right?"
- 663 00:30:52.410 --> 00:30:54.960 Well if they've moved that card,

- 664~00:30:54.960 --> 00:30:58.110 which was like T-test on survey data from the to-do column
- $665\ 00:30:58.110 \longrightarrow 00:30:59.280$ to the doing column,
- 666 00:30:59.280 --> 00:31:01.560 a little notification's gonna pop up in Slack.
- $667\ 00:31:01.560 \longrightarrow 00:31:03.930$ And then when they write a comment like, "Yep, you know,
- $668~00{:}31{:}03.930 \dashrightarrow 00{:}31{:}06.750~I$ ran the test and wasn't statistically significant,"
- $669\ 00:31:06.750 \longrightarrow 00:31:09.210$ then that's gonna pop up also.
- $670\ 00:31:09.210 --> 00:31:11.460$ That comment will then be relayed into Slack.
- $671\ 00:31:11.460 \longrightarrow 00:31:12.600$ So then when you go back to check in,
- 672 00:31:12.600 --> 00:31:13.470 you don't have to ask that question.
- 673 00:31:13.470 --> 00:31:15.360 It's like, "Yep, I saw that it happened
- $674~00:31:15.360 \longrightarrow 00:31:18.090$ and by the way I saw that it happened on Tuesday,
- $675\ 00:31:18.090 --> 00:31:20.060$ you know, now it's Wednesday, you know.
- 676 00:31:20.060 --> 00:31:22.530 I forgot to check back in with you about it."
- 677 00:31:22.530 --> 00:31:24.933 So like that idea of asynchronous work can happen
- 678 00:31:24.933 --> 00:31:28.728 in this cloud-based context also, which again,
- $679\ 00:31:28.728 \longrightarrow 00:31:31.380$ like we use also in all other parts
- $680~00{:}31{:}31{.}380 \dashrightarrow 00{:}31{:}33{.}327$ of our company can be really helpful
- 681 00:31:33.327 --> 00:31:35.943 for moving projects along in lots of ways.
- $682\ 00:31:37.410 \longrightarrow 00:31:41.850$ So yeah I've told you a lot
- $683\ 00:31:41.850 \longrightarrow 00:31:44.370$ about a particular example then of doing work.
- 684 00:31:44.370 --> 00:31:46.667 I wanna call Adria back in here
- $685~00{:}31{:}46.667 {\:{\mbox{--}}\!>} 00{:}31{:}51.667$ to extend a little bit more in a partnership example
- $686\ 00:31:51.870 \longrightarrow 00:31:53.490$ that we've had some experience with.
- $687\ 00:31:53.490 \longrightarrow 00:31:55.163$ So back to you Adria.
- 688 00:31:55.163 --> 00:31:58.080 <v ->Thanks, so one thing that Stephen mentioned was, you know,</v>

- $689\ 00:31:58.080 \longrightarrow 00:31:59.670$ another challenge we might face is,
- $690~00{:}31{:}59.670 \dashrightarrow 00{:}32{:}02.850$ okay, where do we go find people who have data that
- $691\ 00:32:02.850 \longrightarrow 00:32:03.930$ they might need help with?
- $692\ 00{:}32{:}03.930 \dashrightarrow > 00{:}32{:}08.280$ And we were thinking about where does data come from, right?
- $693\ 00:32:08.280 \longrightarrow 00:32:11.640$ And so one area that data's generated
- $694\ 00:32:11.640 \longrightarrow 00:32:14.735$ from is through devices and manufacturers
- $695\ 00:32:14.735 --> 00:32:17.190$ make devices that are sitting in labs.
- $696~00{:}32{:}17.190 \dashrightarrow 00{:}32{:}19.770$ So we thought of the idea of let's have discussions
- $697\ 00:32:19.770 \longrightarrow 00:32:21.090$ with these manufacturers
- $698\ 00{:}32{:}21.090 \dashrightarrow 00{:}32{:}23.640$ and see if we could form some sort of partnership.
- $699\ 00:32:23.640 --> 00:32:26.820$ Now when you're forming a partnership in industry,
- 700~00:32:26.820 --> $00:32:29.370~\mathrm{you}$ need to think about why that would benefit both sides
- 701 00:32:29.370 --> 00:32:32.550 in order to kind of engage your perspective partner
- $702\ 00:32:32.550 \longrightarrow 00:32:34.140$ as to why they should talk to you right?
- $703\ 00:32:34.140 \longrightarrow 00:32:36.810$ So one thing that we identified was that
- $704\ 00:32:36.810 --> 00:32:38.640$ a key aim of manufacturers
- 705 00:32:38.640 --> 00:32:40.920 is to provide additional support
- $706\ 00:32:40.920 \longrightarrow 00:32:42.861$ to their customers or make sure,
- $707\ 00:32:42.861 \longrightarrow 00:32:45.210$ hey, I have a customer or a lab that has data
- 708 00:32:45.210 --> 00:32:48.450 and then what if there's an aspect of their data
- $709\ 00:32:48.450 \longrightarrow 00:32:50.640$ they don't know how to do something
- 710 00:32:50.640 --> 00:32:51.990 or they don't know what to do,
- 711 00:32:51.990 --> 00:32:53.976 maybe they'll stop using my device down the line
- 712 00:32:53.976 --> 00:32:57.390 because the data's just not useful to them at this point

- 713 00:32:57.390 --> 00:32:58.950 'cause they're lacking a skillset.
- $714\ 00:32:58.950 \longrightarrow 00:33:00.900$ So we thought of an idea whereby
- $715\ 00:33:00.900 --> 00:33:03.150$ we could approach device manufacturers
- $716\ 00:33:03.150 \longrightarrow 00:33:05.130$ and kind of explain what Stephen explained
- $717\ 00:33:05.130 \longrightarrow 00:33:08.827$ about our data science as a service offering and say,
- 718 00:33:08.827 --> 00:33:11.490 "Hey look, we could form a partnership with you,
- $719\ 00:33:11.490 --> 00:33:15.180$ whereby as an offering, in addition to extending a warranty
- $720\ 00{:}33{:}15.180 \dots > 00{:}33{:}19.020$ on your device, you could offer custom analysis support
- $721\ 00:33:19.020 \longrightarrow 00:33:22.140$ or data science support to any interested customers,
- $722\ 00:33:22.140 --> 00:33:24.180$ whereby they could use cloud workspaces
- $723\ 00:33:24.180 \longrightarrow 00:33:25.860$ to put their data that they're collecting
- $724~00{:}33{:}25.860 \dashrightarrow 00{:}33{:}27.628$ and then they could work with someone like Phil
- 725 00:33:27.628 --> 00:33:30.870 to solve a challenge that they might have."
- 726 00:33:30.870 --> 00:33:33.000 And so we actually successfully
- 727 00:33:33.000 --> 00:33:36.150 did form such a partnership quite recently.
- 728 00:33:36.150 --> 00:33:38.190 And if you go to the next slide,
- $729\ 00:33:38.190 --> 00:33:40.153$ you'll see, so we are now working
- $730\ 00:33:40.153 --> 00:33:42.780$ with a company called Neurophotometrics.
- $731\ 00:33:42.780 \longrightarrow 00:33:45.990$ They produce a device that does the imaging
- $732\ 00:33:45.990 --> 00:33:48.064$ that Stephen previously described.
- $733\ 00{:}33{:}48.064 \dashrightarrow 00{:}33{:}52.800$ And what our partnership involves is we essentially offer
- $734\ 00:33:52.800 \longrightarrow 00:33:56.280$ cloud workspaces as a solution to their customers,
- $735\ 00:33:56.280 \longrightarrow 00:33:58.680$ whereby when they collect their data,
- $736~00{:}33{:}58.680 \dashrightarrow 00{:}34{:}01.590$ they can then work on our cloud workspaces alongside Phil
- $737\ 00:34:01.590 --> 00:34:03.187$ or ourselves and we can work with them

- $738\ 00:34:03.187 \longrightarrow 00:34:05.850$ to solve any challenges they might need.
- $739\ 00:34:05.850 --> 00:34:08.403$ Now who are these customers of Neurophotometrics?
- 740 00:34:08.403 --> 00:34:10.530 They are a bunch of different labs kind of
- $741\ 00:34:10.530 \longrightarrow 00:34:11.675$ all over the world as well.
- 742 00:34:11.675 --> 00:34:14.070 Mostly academics, some in industry as well.
- $743\ 00:34:14.070 --> 00:34:17.105$ And so it's that way for us as an organization
- 744 00:34:17.105 --> 00:34:19.740 to kind of find potential labs
- $745\ 00:34:19.740 \longrightarrow 00:34:21.840$ we didn't even know had the challenge.
- $746\ 00:34:21.840 \longrightarrow 00:34:24.510$ And then it's also solving the problem
- 747 00:34:24.510 --> 00:34:26.340 for NeuroPhotometrics of how do you keep your
- 748 00:34:26.340 --> 00:34:29.010 customers happy if you don't really offer a service
- 749 00:34:29.010 --> 00:34:30.750 they're already kind of asking of you
- $750\ 00:34:30.750 \longrightarrow 00:34:32.790$ as a follow-on for providing this device.
- $751\ 00:34:32.790 \longrightarrow 00:34:36.909$ So, so far the partnership is fairly new.
- $752\ 00:34:36.909 --> 00:34:39.630$ It seems to be working quite well so far
- $753\ 00:34:39.630 \longrightarrow 00:34:40.650$ and we're meeting new people
- 754 00:34:40.650 --> 00:34:42.510 and already getting kind of more projects
- $755\ 00:34:42.510 \longrightarrow 00:34:44.677$ like Stephen described for Phil to work on.
- 756 00:34:44.677 --> 00:34:46.020 So we'll see how it goes.
- 757 00:34:46.020 --> 00:34:47.490 But this is just one way to show you
- 758 00:34:47.490 --> 00:34:49.440 that it's not just about kind
- 759 00:34:49.440 --> 00:34:50.970 of solving a problem for a customer,
- $760\ 00:34:50.970 --> 00:34:52.710$ it's about where do you find your customers
- 761 00:34:52.710 --> 00:34:55.623 and that could be through an industry partnership.
- 762 00:34:57.341 --> 00:35:00.543 < v -> Awesome, thanks for that < / v >
- $763~00:35:01.500 --> 00:35:06.500~{\rm So~I}$ mentioned one other model earlier, which is workshops.
- 764 00:35:08.220 --> 00:35:10.920 I think I talked about that example for a bit.

765~00:35:10.920 --> 00:35:15.920 And we have done a few of them actually as well

 $766\ 00:35:17.040 \longrightarrow 00:35:18.450$ in the computational neuroscience space.

 $767\ 00:35:18.450 \longrightarrow 00:35:20.610$ So now the space near and dear

 $768\ 00:35:20.610 \longrightarrow 00:35:23.823$ to our work with Robert.

 $769\ 00:35:25.050 \longrightarrow 00:35:28.137$ So one of those projects was a collaboration

770 00:35:28.137 --> 00:35:30.510 actually Brown University on something

 $771\ 00:35:30.510 \longrightarrow 00:35:32.733$ called the Human Neocortical Neurosolver.

 $772\ 00:35:34.170 \longrightarrow 00:35:37.620$ We have kind of a neuroscience bias in the company.

 $773\ 00:35:37.620 \longrightarrow 00:35:39.240$ We like doing those sorts of things.

 $774\ 00:35:39.240 \longrightarrow 00:35:42.753$ So we did a workshop also.

 $775\ 00:35:44.070 --> 00:35:46.165$ We helped facilitate a workshop

 $776\ 00:35:46.165 --> 00:35:49.200$ that allowed a software tool

777 00:35:49.200 --> 00:35:54.200 that came out of this particular collaboration to be shown.

 $778\ 00:35:56.190 --> 00:36:00.240$ And, let me show you a little bit more.

779 00:36:00.240 --> 00:36:03.510 So in this case, I'm actually gonna switch

 $780\ 00:36:03.510 \longrightarrow 00:36:05.037$ away from the Human Neocortical Neurosolver

781 00:36:05.037 --> 00:36:07.470 and also show you an example with NetPyNE,

 $782\ 00{:}36{:}07.470 \dashrightarrow 00{:}36{:}09.490$ which is the thing that Robert mentioned earlier

 $783\ 00:36:09.490 \longrightarrow 00:36:11.280$ that we work with as well.

784 00:36:11.280 --> 00:36:12.750 It's similar to HNN.

 $785\ 00:36:12.750 \longrightarrow 00:36:15.270$ In both cases there's a computational model

 $786\ 00:36:15.270 \longrightarrow 00:36:16.230$ of a neuron, okay?

787 00:36:16.230 --> 00:36:18.120 Just think of like, you know,

 $788~00{:}36{:}18.120 \dashrightarrow 00{:}36{:}21.990$ a spatial model of a neuron that has a cell body

 $789\ 00:36:21.990 \longrightarrow 00:36:25.053$ and has an axon and dendrite, that kind of thing.

790 00:36:25.053 --> 00:36:27.995 And you wanna simulate something about it.

 $791\ 00:36:27.995 \longrightarrow 00:36:32.995$ And so you have a specialized piece of software

 $792\ 00:36:34.410 --> 00:36:38.190$ that knows how to look at the model of a neuron,

 $793\ 00:36:38.190 \longrightarrow 00:36:39.570$ the way that it's shaped

 $794\ 00:36:39.570 --> 00:36:44.340$ and how to get signals out of it basically, right?

 $795~00{:}36{:}44{.}340 \dashrightarrow 00{:}36{:}48.747$ So in collaboration with NetPyNE also a software platform

796 00:36:50.070 --> 00:36:51.663 called Open Source Brain at UCL

 $797\ 00:36:51.663 --> 00:36:54.150$ that we've been partnering with for a while.

 $798\ 00:36:54.150 \longrightarrow 00:36:57.847$ You might have something that looks like this.

 $799\ 00:36:57.847 \longrightarrow 00:37:01.930$ So what you can do in a workshop context

 $800\ 00:37:02.850 \longrightarrow 00:37:05.310$ with something like a workspace that's really exciting,

 $801\ 00:37:05.310 --> 00:37:07.050$ as I mentioned to you before is have people

 $802\ 00:37:07.050 \longrightarrow 00:37:09.270$ put hands on with the software itself.

 $803\ 00:37:09.270 \longrightarrow 00:37:10.980$ And this is one of those pictures

 $804\ 00:37:10.980 \longrightarrow 00:37:13.530$ from one of those workshop that we did,

 $805~00:37:13.530 \longrightarrow 00:37:15.660$ I think this one was specifically NetPyNE

 $806\ 00:37:15.660 \longrightarrow 00:37:17.610$ where you can kind of see what everybody's looking at.

807 00:37:17.610 --> 00:37:20.160 So everybody brought laptops in, right?

 $808\ 00:37:20.160 --> 00:37:22.920$ And they're able to launch in this case

809 00:37:22.920 --> 00:37:24.663 they're literally, you can see several of 'em,

 $810\ 00:37:24.663 --> 00:37:27.150$ like this one up in front and this one over here,

 $811\ 00:37:27.150 \longrightarrow 00:37:28.952$ they literally have exactly the same screen up

 $812\ 00:37:28.952 \longrightarrow 00:37:32.910$ that is being shown, you know, in the screen share,

 $813\ 00:37:32.910 \longrightarrow 00:37:34.260$ not because they're logged into a Zoom,

 $814\ 00{:}37{:}34.260 \dashrightarrow 00{:}37{:}36.960$ but 'cause they're actually logged into essentially

 $815\ 00:37:36.960 --> 00:37:40.050$ a work space environment where they can also like, you know,

 $816\ 00:37:40.050 \longrightarrow 00:37:41.070$ change parameters around.

- $817\ 00:37:41.070 --> 00:37:43.466$ So you can get this hands-on tutorial effect
- $818\ 00:37:43.466 \longrightarrow 00:37:46.438$ in a workshop, in this context.
- $819\ 00:37:46.438 \longrightarrow 00:37:50.220$ That is kind of hard to do any other way
- $820\ 00:37:50.220 \longrightarrow 00:37:51.453$ if you don't have that.
- 821 00:37:52.710 --> 00:37:54.900 If it's deployed as web-based software,
- $822\ 00:37:54.900 \longrightarrow 00:37:56.250$ that makes it a little bit easier.
- 823 00:37:56.250 --> 00:37:57.260 But if it's not, you know,
- $824\ 00:37:57.260 \longrightarrow 00:37:58.620$ if it's something that's traditionally supposed
- $825\ 00:37:58.620 \longrightarrow 00:37:59.453$ to be on a desktop,
- $826\ 00:37:59.453 \longrightarrow 00:38:03.180$ then this is kind of the only way to do something like that.
- 827 00:38:03.180 --> 00:38:06.300 And this was at a academic conference,
- $828\ 00:38:06.300 \longrightarrow 00:38:08.373$ I think CNS that gets held.
- $829\ 00:38:09.330 \longrightarrow 00:38:14.330$ So yeah, from all that today then
- 830 00:38:14.970 --> 00:38:17.430 kind of wrapping up the part where I just,
- $831\ 00:38:17.430 \longrightarrow 00:38:19.860$ we just talk at you and I hope those questions
- $832\ 00{:}38{:}19.860 --> 00{:}38{:}23.130$ that you guys have, what do we sort of talk about today?
- 833 00:38:23.130 --> 00:38:26.280 Like how can some cloud-based data science tools
- 834 00:38:26.280 --> 00:38:29.220 help enhance the ability to do biostatistics
- $835\ 00:38:29.220 \longrightarrow 00:38:30.780$ health informatics research?
- $836\ 00:38:30.780 \longrightarrow 00:38:32.460$ I've been, you know, leaning on some examples
- $837\ 00:38:32.460 \longrightarrow 00:38:33.630$ that are heavily neuroscience based,
- 838 00:38:33.630 --> 00:38:35.820 but we kind of think that that's not the thing
- 839 00:38:35.820 --> 00:38:37.110 that's particular to this, right?
- $840\ 00{:}38{:}37.110 \dashrightarrow 00{:}38{:}39.900$ It's still, you know, as I started at the beginning,
- 841 00:38:39.900 --> 00:38:42.330 you know, doing some analysis, you know,
- $842\ 00:38:42.330 \longrightarrow 00:38:45.180$ sharing the results of the commands
- $843\ 00:38:45.180 \longrightarrow 00:38:47.040$ that we're using in the analysis

 $844\ 00{:}38{:}47.040 \dashrightarrow 00{:}38{:}48.185$ and then sharing the output of that analysis, right?

 $845\ 00:38:48.185 \longrightarrow 00:38:49.500$ Like that's where we began.

846 00:38:49.500 --> 00:38:51.390 I think that's common to every technique.

 $847\ 00:38:51.390 --> 00:38:52.770$ We're bringing some kind of science and math

848 00:38:52.770 --> 00:38:54.780 to bear on some data, right?

 $849\ 00:38:54.780 \longrightarrow 00:38:56.640$ So what we're finding is that, you know,

 $850\ 00:38:56.640 --> 00:38:58.793$ by using cloud-based platforms

 $851\ 00:38:58.793 \longrightarrow 00:39:01.702$ really can help us facilitate collaborative research,

 $852\ 00{:}39{:}01.702 \dashrightarrow 00{:}39{:}04.916$ allowing colleagues to share data and work together.

853 00:39:04.916 --> 00:39:07.710 You can help labs efficiently gain access

 $854\ 00{:}39{:}07.710 \dashrightarrow 00{:}39{:}10.489$ to additional data science support if that's desirable.

 $855\ 00:39:10.489 --> 00:39:13.530$ That they, you know, otherwise might struggle to get

 $856\ 00:39:13.530 \longrightarrow 00:39:15.150$ or is just kind of unaffordable.

857 00:39:15.150 --> 00:39:18.558 Doesn't make sense 'cause there's too much of a person.

858 00:39:18.558 --> 00:39:21.330 And then finally in the last example, right,

859 00:39:21.330 --> 00:39:22.650 you can facilitate, you know,

 $860\ 00:39:22.650$ --> 00:39:25.620 distance workshops that allow much more immediate

 $861\ 00:39:25.620 \longrightarrow 00:39:28.473$ hands-on experience with certain software.

 $862\ 00:39:29.340$ --> 00:39:34.340 So with all that, I will thank you all for listening

 $863\ 00:39:35.610 \longrightarrow 00:39:37.890$ to us for a full 40 minutes

 $864\ 00{:}39{:}37.890 \dashrightarrow 00{:}39{:}41.070$ and happy to take any questions that you have on this

 $865\ 00:39:41.070 \longrightarrow 00:39:43.530$ or any other thing I can help directly.

866 00:39:43.530 --> 00:39:44.530 Thank you very much.

867 00:39:46.243 --> 00:39:47.910 <v ->Thank you so much.</v>

 $868\ 00:39:49.620 \longrightarrow 00:39:53.193$ Does anybody have any questions for our presenters?

 $869\ 00:39:57.060 \longrightarrow 00:39:59.853$ I'll start if there's no questions.

 $870\ 00:40:01.080 \longrightarrow 00:40:05.253$ So data science is a service growth industry.

871 $00:40:06.990 \longrightarrow 00:40:08.193$ People want jobs.

872 00:40:10.350 --> 00:40:12.400 What's your take on the industry on that?

873 00:40:13.320 --> 00:40:18.320 <v -> We are about 18 months into our exploration of the market. </v>

 $874\ 00:40:21.660 \longrightarrow 00:40:24.003$ We have seen growth so far.

 $875\ 00:40:25.140 --> 00:40:27.183$ We think there's more to go.

876 00:40:28.380 --> 00:40:29.940 I showed you those five labs,

 $877\ 00:40:29.940 \longrightarrow 00:40:34.500\ I$ think in total maybe served certainly more than a dozen,

878 00:40:34.500 --> 00:40:38.490 I wanna say maybe like 15 and like labs plus companies or so

879 00:40:38.490 --> 00:40:41.253 15, 16, in those 18 months.

880 00:40:42.534 \rightarrow 00:40:45.330 We had to figure out lots of other stuff along the way.

 $881\ 00:40:45:330 --> 00:40:50.260$ But we think there's a need, you know, like I mentioned

882 00:40:52.110 --> 00:40:56.160 and folks that have the skillset to, you know,

883 00:40:56.160 --> 00:40:57.510 provide that data science service

 $884\ 00:40:57.510 \longrightarrow 00:40:59.223$ that are continually in demand.

885 00:41:00.390 --> 00:41:03.063 So I'm gonna say yes, it's growing.

886 $00:41:03.990 \longrightarrow 00:41:07.606$ We're always wondering in industry how fast, you know,

 $887\ 00:41:07.606 \longrightarrow 00:41:09.510$ that's always the question,

888 00:41:09.510 --> 00:41:11.223 but it's definitely not shrinking.

889 00:41:13.050 --> 00:41:15.350 <-> Robert>Alright, that's an exciting option.</r>

890 00:41:17.956 --> 00:41:19.710 <v Participant>Yeah just really quick,</v>

891 00:41:19.710 --> 00:41:22.140 what happens with authorship?

 $892\ 00:41:22.140 --> 00:41:26.370$ If you work with the lab very closely on a project,

- $893\ 00:41:26.370 --> 00:41:29.253$ they come out with a really good publication.
- 894 00:41:31.350 --> 00:41:35.790 How do you deal with that in this industry?
- $895\ 00:41:35.790 --> 00:41:38.673 < v -> Yeah, great question. Thank you. < / v >$
- $896\ 00:41:40.320 \longrightarrow 00:41:42.933$ So as a company,
- 897 00:41:44.040 --> 00:41:49.040 we don't require to have our data scientists listed
- $898\ 00:41:51.390 \longrightarrow 00:41:53.823$ as co-authors on papers.
- $899\ 00:41:55.200 --> 00:42:00.100 I$ think from an ethical perspective
- 900 00:42:02.250 --> 00:42:04.620 in the case where the contribution that the data scientist
- 901 00:42:04.620 --> 00:42:06.850 has made are very significant
- $902\ 00{:}42{:}09.150 \dashrightarrow 00{:}42{:}13.290$ you know, sometimes PIs have asked the question to us,
- $903\ 00:42:13.290 --> 00:42:15.150$ you know, what sort of acknowledgement
- 904 00:42:15.150 --> 00:42:17.910 would you like of the data scientist?
- 905 00:42:17.910 --> 00:42:20.730 And if the PI feels that, say, you know,
- $906\ 00:42:20.730 --> 00:42:22.800$ someone who has a PhD who works with us
- 907 00:42:22.800 --> 00:42:25.623 has done enough work that it merits authorship,
- $908\ 00:42:26.730 \longrightarrow 00:42:28.320$ they're free to add that person.
- 909 $00:42:28.320 \longrightarrow 00:42:29.700$ We don't require that.
- 910 00:42:29.700 --> 00:42:33.390 Otherwise, you know, an acknowledgements nice always right?
- 911 00:42:33.390 --> 00:42:35.493 But also not required.
- 912 00:42:37.140 --> 00:42:39.750 I think, you know, sometimes the nature
- 913 00:42:39.750 --> 00:42:41.970 of the contribution really matters.
- 914 00:42:41.970 --> 00:42:46.860 So, you know, as a company it's a little bit
- $915\ 00:42:46.860 --> 00:42:49.050$ like how much do you acknowledge
- 916 00:42:49.050 --> 00:42:52.730 the vendor of your microscope, right?
- 917 00:42:52.730 --> 00:42:55.830 You might say, okay, I did this on a Nikon microscope
- 918 00:42:55.830 --> 00:42:58.080 or you know, but you might write that more
- $919\ 00:42:58.080 \longrightarrow 00:42:58.913$ as a method section.

- 920 00:42:58.913 --> 00:43:00.027 And then if like a technician came out
- 921 00:43:00.027 --> 00:43:01.890 and like helped you calibrate it,
- 922 00:43:01.890 --> 00:43:02.723 you're probably not gonna give
- 923 00:43:02.723 --> 00:43:04.524 that person an authorship either.
- 924 00:43:04.524 --> 00:43:06.990 But you might acknowledge them if they did extensive help
- $925\ 00:43:06.990 \longrightarrow 00:43:09.840$ that like led to some novel process.
- 926 00:43:09.840 --> 00:43:13.300 So on the whole, it's a case by case conversation
- $927\ 00:43:14.640 \longrightarrow 00:43:17.100$ that scales based on the level of the contribution,
- $928\ 00:43:17.100 \longrightarrow 00:43:18.780$ but it's not the first thing that we think of.
- 929 00:43:18.780 --> 00:43:21.258 It's not like, "Hey, because we did anything for you,
- 930 00:43:21.258 --> 00:43:23.220 please put us on a paper."
- 931 00:43:23.220 --> 00:43:24.240 Definitely don't do it that way.
- 932 00:43:24.240 --> 00:43:26.970 It's more the opposite, which is like, you know,
- 933 00:43:26.970 --> 00:43:27.990 we're gonna do a thing for you.
- 934 00:43:27.990 --> 00:43:30.256 Probably, you don't need to cite us.
- 935 00:43:30.256 --> 00:43:32.640 But if it gets up to a certain point
- 936 00:43:32.640 --> 00:43:34.770 and we kind of mutually agree that that's appropriate,
- $937\ 00:43:34.770 \longrightarrow 00:43:36.513$ then we're happy to discuss that.
- 938 00:43:41.190 --> 00:43:42.390 <v -> Thank you for sharing Stephen.</v>
- 939 $00:43:42.390 \longrightarrow 00:43:44.010$ So I have a quick question too.
- 940 00:43:44.010 --> 00:43:46.323 So if you're running on data sets,
- 941 00:43:47.400 --> 00:43:50.040 one cell may take really long time to run,
- 942 00:43:50.040 --> 00:43:52.620 then how do you solve the concurrency issue?
- 943 00:43:52.620 --> 00:43:56.130 Let's say there's multiple people collaborating online
- 944 00:43:56.130 --> 00:44:00.060 that when the cell is running,
- $945\ 00{:}44{:}00.060 \dashrightarrow 00{:}44{:}04.470$ what if some other, another party just clicked stop

- 946 00:44:04.470 --> 00:44:05.610 or doing something random?
- 947 00:44:05.610 --> 00:44:08.463 How do you solve the issue that people are on the same page
- $948\ 00:44:08.463 \longrightarrow 00:44:11.433$ when something takes really long time to run?
- 949 00:44:12.510 --> 00:44:13.980 <v -> Yeah, great question.</v>
- $950\ 00:44:13.980 \longrightarrow 00:44:17.550$ So a few ways,
- 951 00:44:17.550 --> 00:44:21.870 one nice thing about a cloud workspace is that
- $952\ 00:44:21.870 \longrightarrow 00:44:25.350$ we can expand the number of processors
- 953 00:44:25.350 --> 00:44:27.960 and the amount of memory kind of
- $954\ 00:44:27.960 \longrightarrow 00:44:30.620$ behind the scenes transparently.
- 955 00:44:30.620 --> 00:44:34.860 So basically you can like log out of the workspace
- $956\ 00:44:34.860 \longrightarrow 00:44:37.890$ and in five minutes log back into the workspace
- 957 00:44:37.890 --> 00:44:39.600 and we've like doubled the processing speed
- $958\ 00:44:39.600 \longrightarrow 00:44:41.730$ and like doubled the memory.
- $959\ 00:44:41.730 \longrightarrow 00:44:44.804$ So we tend to keep our default instance
- $960\ 00:44:44.804 \longrightarrow 00:44:47.460$ at like a reasonable like laptop,
- 961 00:44:47.460 --> 00:44:48.930 like probably not a high end.
- 962 00:44:48.930 --> 00:44:52.350 And then when we discover cases like what you're talking
- 963 00:44:52.350 --> 00:44:55.500 about where like, yeah, no, that cell requires a lot
- 964 00:44:55.500 --> 00:44:56.850 and we kind of know a little bit in advance,
- 965 00:44:56.850 --> 00:44:59.490 like we're gonna wanna run that a lot, right?
- $966\ 00:44:59.490 \longrightarrow 00:45:00.930$ We might do this, which was we might
- $967\ 00:45:00.930 \longrightarrow 00:45:02.520$ like just beef it up, right?
- $968\ 00:45:02.520 \longrightarrow 00:45:06.505$ And that's cool that we can do that.
- 969 00:45:06.505 --> 00:45:09.720 And then the question becomes like,
- $970\ 00:45:09.720 \longrightarrow 00:45:11.940$ does that need to run, you know, 24/7,
- 971 00:45:11.940 --> 00:45:13.170 does it need to run every day,
- 972 00:45:13.170 --> 00:45:14.970 every week, every month right?

 $973\ 00:45:14.970 \longrightarrow 00:45:16.050$ We think a little bit about that

974 00:45:16.050 --> 00:45:18.390 because then there's some additional costs on our side.

 $975\ 00:45:18.390 --> 00:45:20.220$ If you're gonna do it for like an afternoon,

976 00:45:20.220 --> 00:45:23.930 it's like really not, it's not worth making any additional,

977 00:45:23.930 --> 00:45:26.700 you know, requests of somebody.

978 00:45:26.700 --> 00:45:28.140 But there's another part of your question I wanna get at

979 00:45:28.140 --> 00:45:33.120 too, which is like maybe overriding each other, right?

 $980\ 00:45:33.120 \longrightarrow 00:45:34.170$ So that can happen.

981 $00:45:34.170 \longrightarrow 00:45:37.710$ And that's a little bit like software specific.

982 00:45:37.710 --> 00:45:42.690 So like in a Jupyter Notebook, you could,

983 00:45:42.690 \rightarrow 00:45:45.180 if you don't coordinate a little bit with your lab member,

984 00:45:45.180 \rightarrow 00:45:48.810 like overwrite something in one cell at one time, right?

 $985\ 00:45:48.810 \longrightarrow 00:45:50.010$ The other person didn't notice.

986 00:45:50.010 --> 00:45:53.163 So for that, we have some best practices, you know.

987 00:45:54.480 --> 00:45:58.770 By far the most common, you know, example that we see is,

988 00:45:58.770 --> 00:46:01.140 is like two or fewer people collaborating,

989 00:46:01.140 --> 00:46:02.550 but if it were three or four,

 $990~00{:}46{:}02.550 \dashrightarrow 00{:}46{:}04.860$ we'd probably recommend that they do a best practice

991 00:46:04.860 --> 00:46:08.070 of like, you know, while you're doing work that's separate

992 00:46:08.070 --> 00:46:10.350 and you're not like talking to each other,

993 00:46:10.350 --> 00:46:12.645 do work on separate copies of the thing, right?

994 00:46:12.645 --> 00:46:14.940 And then come together in a meeting

995 00:46:14.940 --> 00:46:17.220 and like put it back together, right?

996 00:46:17.220 --> 00:46:19.980 Usually is the better practice if you're say,

- 997 00:46:19.980 --> 00:46:22.211 working on a Jupyter Notebook,
- 998 00:46:22.211 --> 00:46:24.716 and you know, communicate, you know,
- 999 00:46:24.716 --> 00:46:28.140 using some other method like a meeting like this.
- $1000\ 00:46:28.140 \longrightarrow 00:46:29.670$ So yeah so those are the two aspects.
- $1001\ 00{:}46{:}29.670 {\:{\mbox{--}}}{>}\ 00{:}46{:}31.830$ On the one side, if it's computation intensive,
- $1002\ 00:46:31.830 \longrightarrow 00:46:33.210$ we can make it bigger.
- $1003\ 00:46:33.210$ --> 00:46:34.824 If it's actually about people writing each other,
- $1004\ 00:46:34.824 --> 00:46:36.720$ we recommend some best practices
- $1005\ 00:46:36.720 \longrightarrow 00:46:38.870$ for communicating outside of the workspace.
- $1006\ 00:46:42.090 \longrightarrow 00:46:42.993 < v \longrightarrow Other questions? < / v >$
- $1007\ 00:46:47.310 --> 00:46:49.830$ All right, I have one more question.
- $1008\ 00:46:49.830 \longrightarrow 00:46:53.400$ So like in the old days,
- $1009\ 00{:}46{:}53.400 \dashrightarrow 00{:}46{:}56.904$ people would buy a nice computer for their lab or maybe a
- $1010\ 00{:}46{:}56.904 {\:{\mbox{--}}}{>}\ 00{:}47{:}00.150$ couple of nice computers and like then every body
- $1011\ 00:47:00.150 \longrightarrow 00:47:04.798$ would log in at that and it was a one-time cost, right?
- 1012 00:47:04.798 --> 00:47:08.940 And so how have you found, I don't know,
- $1013\ 00:47:08.940 \longrightarrow 00:47:13.940\ I$ mean, so it's a very different model for
- $1014~00{:}47{:}14.057 \dashrightarrow 00{:}47{:}17.970$ both academia industry, wherever that's trying
- $1015\ 00:47:17.970 \longrightarrow 00:47:21.480$ to transition from this one time cost
- $1016~00{:}47{:}21.480$ --> $00{:}47{:}24.480$ where now, you know, you might still be using this computer
- $1017\ 00:47:24.480 \longrightarrow 00:47:27.430\ 10$ years later for good and ill
- $1018\ 00:47:29.070 \longrightarrow 00:47:34.070$ versus sort of this continuous cloud-based thing.
- 1019 00:47:34.080 --> 00:47:34.913 I don't know,
- $1020\ 00{:}47{:}34.913 \longrightarrow 00{:}47{:}38.613$ do you have any words of wisdom on this transition?
- $1021\ 00:47:39.480 --> 00:47:42.090$ Because it seems like, you know, you pay

- $1022\ 00:47:42.090 \longrightarrow 00:47:46.050$ for a cloud computer and if it's on constantly,
- $1023\ 00:47:46.050 \longrightarrow 00:47:48.150$ it eats up a lot of money.
- $1024\ 00:47:48.150 --> 00:47:49.110 < v -> Yeah, yeah. < / v >$
- $1025\ 00:47:49.110 \longrightarrow 00:47:50.853$ So really good question.
- 1026 00:47:53.370 --> 00:47:54.203 So I think and-
- 1027 00:47:54.203 --> 00:47:57.900 <v -> Lose control of your data also, which to some extent, </v>
- $1028\ 00:47:57.900 --> 00:48:00.480$ like somebody else has your data.
- $1029\ 00:48:00.480 \longrightarrow 00:48:01.740 < v \longrightarrow In theory, yes. < / v >$
- $1030~00{:}48{:}01.740 --> 00{:}48{:}05.910$ But you know, I think some of this is just like a journey
- $1031\ 00{:}48{:}05.910 \dashrightarrow 00{:}48{:}09.120$ and a transition that, you know, scientists are making.
- 1032 00:48:09.120 --> 00:48:11.070 Those of us, like yourself,
- $1033\ 00:48:11.070 --> 00:48:13.050$ we're more software engineer minded,
- $1034\ 00:48:13.050 \longrightarrow 00:48:15.930$ have been comfortable with the idea of say, you know,
- 1035 00:48:15.930 --> 00:48:18.090 like all of our company's data, for example,
- 1036 00:48:18.090 --> 00:48:20.550 is kind of in Google's clouds,
- 1037 00:48:20.550 --> 00:48:22.320 Google's workspace technically.
- 1038 00:48:22.320 --> 00:48:24.900 None of it is sitting under my desk, right?
- $1039\ 00{:}48{:}24{.}900 \dashrightarrow 00{:}48{:}28{.}170$ But we've gotten a level of comfort about data ownership
- $1040\ 00:48:28.170 \longrightarrow 00:48:31.830$ based on essentially trust and agreements
- $1041\ 00{:}48{:}31.830 \dashrightarrow 00{:}48{:}34.440$ and our understanding of how certain sections
- $1042\ 00{:}48{:}34.440 \dashrightarrow 00{:}48{:}37.860$ of disk are like cord oned off, you know, for ourselves
- 1043 00:48:37.860 --> 00:48:40.110 and lying on some of those best practices.
- 1044 00:48:40.110 --> 00:48:42.933 But to get to the heart of your question,
- $1045\ 00:48:43.920 \longrightarrow 00:48:45.300\ I$ think the best metaphor is like
- $1046~00{:}48{:}45.300 \dashrightarrow 00{:}48{:}48.330$ buying a house versus renting an apartment, right?

- 1047 00:48:48.330 --> 00:48:50.847 So, you know, going down to Apple
- $1048\ 00:48:50.847 \longrightarrow 00:48:54.510$ and picking up a laptop or Dell or whatever you wanna use,
- 1049 00:48:54.510 --> 00:48:56.130 right, is that's the buy model.
- $1050\ 00:48:56.130 \longrightarrow 00:48:57.870$ And we're super comfortable with that.
- $1051\ 00{:}48{:}57.870 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}00.630$ The cloud model is more the like renting the apartment.
- 1052 00:49:00.630 --> 00:49:03.270 And certainly people make the choice,
- $1053\ 00:49:03.270 --> 00:49:04.800$ you know, not to rent sometimes
- $1054\ 00{:}49{:}04.800 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}06.783$ because it's like, doesn't work out economically, right?
- 1055 00:49:06.783 --> 00:49:09.120 It's like, "Hey, I'm throwing money away."
- 1056 00:49:09.120 --> 00:49:10.650 Sometimes people throw, right?
- 1057 00:49:10.650 --> 00:49:12.630 But what is the advantage of renting, right?
- 1058 00:49:12.630 --> 00:49:15.510 The advantage of renting is, you know,
- 1059 00:49:15.510 --> 00:49:17.190 if a thing breaks in your rented apartment,
- $1060\ 00{:}49{:}17.190 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}19.740$ it's not on you to go pay extra money to go fix it.
- 1061 00:49:19.740 --> 00:49:21.090 That's on the person who owns it.
- $1062\ 00:49:21.090 --> 00:49:23.857$ Similarly, if something breaks with your cloud workspace,
- $1063\ 00:49:23.857 --> 00:49:25.987$ you know, you call us and you're like,
- 1064 00:49:25.987 --> 00:49:27.450 "Hey, this thing didn't work,
- 1065 00:49:27.450 --> 00:49:29.010 please fix it, right?"
- $1066\ 00:49:29.010 \longrightarrow 00:49:30.510$ And then there's this scaling thing, right?
- $1067\ 00{:}49{:}30.510 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}32.167$ Which is like, if you go back to Apple and you're like,
- 106800:49:32.167 --> 00:49:37.167 "Actually can you add like double the CPU
- 1069 00:49:37.440 --> 00:49:38.880 and double the memory?"
- 1070 00:49:38.880 --> 00:49:41.040 They'll be like, yes, you can pay us for that,
- 1071 00:49:41.040 --> 00:49:42.840 but it's gonna take a while, right?
- $1072\ 00{:}49{:}42.840 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}44.490$ And it's not gonna happen flexibly and scalably.

1073 00:49:44.490 --> 00:49:48.241 So I think it fits into a different space, right?

1074 00:49:48.241 --> 00:49:49.710 Obviously these two come together,

 $1075\ 00:49:49.710 \longrightarrow 00:49:52.470$ I'm talking to you on a physical laptop that I own, right?

 $1076~00{:}49{:}52.470 \dashrightarrow 00{:}49{:}55.612$ But I'm also using cloud instances to do things.

 $1077\ 00:49:55.612 --> 00:49:59.850$ So I think it's like, it fits into this niche where like,

 $1078\ 00:49:59.850 \longrightarrow 00:50:02.910$ actually the most useful computer for this purpose,

1079 00:50:02.910 --> 00:50:05.130 this collaborative purpose

 $1080\ 00:50:05.130$ --> 00:50:08.070 is a rented one, right rather than an owned one.

 $1081\ 00:50:08.070 \longrightarrow 00:50:10.560$ And you know, maybe that means when I'm not using it,

1082 00:50:10.560 --> 00:50:13.110 I'm not paying for it at all, basically, right?

1083 00:50:13.110 --> 00:50:14.910 Like, if I'm like paused on this collaboration,

1084 00:50:14.910 --> 00:50:16.680 then I'm like actually not paying for it at all,

 $1085\ 00:50:16.680 --> 00:50:18.420$ but then I can bring 'em back and six months and start

 $1086\ 00:50:18.420 \longrightarrow 00:50:19.530$ paying for it again.

 $1087\ 00{:}50{:}19.530 \dashrightarrow 00{:}50{:}22.410$ So this is what I hope that folks take away is like,

1088 00:50:22.410 --> 00:50:24.300 it opens up a lot of new possibilities.

 $1089\ 00:50:24.300 \longrightarrow 00:50:25.800$ And the ones that we've gotten

 $1090\ 00:50:25.800 \longrightarrow 00:50:26.940$ are certainly not the only ones.

 $1091\ 00:50:26.940 --> 00:50:28.410$ There's just like lots more

 $1092\ 00:50:28.410 --> 00:50:30.063$ that you can imagine or envision.

1093 00:50:31.620 --> 00:50:34.679 But, but yeah, it's a mindset change

1094 00:50:34.679 --> 00:50:36.840 and it's one that I think, you know,

1095 00:50:36.840 --> 00:50:40.293 requires some adapting, yeah.

 $1096\ 00:50:42.030 --> 00:50:43.860 < v -> All\ right.$ Thank you so much. $<\!/v>$

 $1097\ 00:50:43.860 --> 00:50:45.390 < v -> I$ have a question for you guys</v>

- $1098\ 00:50:45.390 \longrightarrow 00:50:48.427$ if there's not another question for me.
- $1099\ 00:50:48.427 \longrightarrow 00:50:51.420 < v \rightarrow There's a question on the screen. < / v >$
- $1100\ 00:50:51.420 \longrightarrow 00:50:52.770 < v \longrightarrow Sorry$, I have a question.
- 1101 00:50:53.760 --> 00:50:56.763 I think piggy-backing off of that question-
- $1102\ 00:50:57.930 \longrightarrow 00:50:59.550 < v \longrightarrow Hi hello. Hi Noelle. </v>$
- 1103 00:50:59.550 --> 00:51:00.753 <v -> Actually Hi.</v>
- $1104~00:51:01.890 \longrightarrow 00:51:06.890$ I used to like physical like pieces of data
- 1105 00:51:08.280 --> 00:51:10.470 and like having physical hard drives.
- $1106\ 00:51:10.470 \longrightarrow 00:51:15.470$ So like what is the security for data that's on the cloud?
- $1107\ 00:51:16.410 \longrightarrow 00:51:18.680 < v \longrightarrow Yeah$, so folks like, </v>
- $1108\ 00:51:24.270 \longrightarrow 00:51:29.270$ we ourselves build these cloud instances
- $1109\ 00:51:29.700 \longrightarrow 00:51:32.460$ on the back of three major providers,
- 1110 00:51:32.460 --> 00:51:33.420 whose names you'll recognize,
- 1111 00:51:33.420 --> 00:51:37.200 Amazon, Google, and Microsoft okay?
- 1112 00:51:37.200 --> 00:51:39.660 Those are the big three cloud providers
- $1113\ 00:51:39.660 \longrightarrow 00:51:42.990$ and they make a guarantee to us
- $1114\ 00{:}51{:}42.990 \dashrightarrow 00{:}51{:}45.570$ and then we make a guarantee to our customers
- $1115\ 00:51:45.570 \longrightarrow 00:51:46.920$ about the data protection.
- $1116\ 00:51:46.920 --> 00:51:48.690$ So it's kind of like a layer cake.
- $1117\ 00:51:48.690 \longrightarrow 00:51:51.780$ And the foundation of it begins with, do you trust Amazon?
- $1118\ 00{:}51{:}51.780 --> 00{:}51{:}53.220$ Do you trust Google? Do you trust Microsoft?
- $1119\ 00:51:53.220 --> 00:51:55.564$ Some people say yes, some people say no,
- $1120\ 00{:}51{:}55.564 \rightarrow 00{:}51{:}58.950$ but fundamentally they are the ones that, you know,
- 1121 00:51:58.950 --> 00:52:03.600 build data centers, right where the physical aspect
- $1122\ 00:52:03.600 \longrightarrow 00:52:05.250$ of these computers actually live.
- 1123 00:52:05.250 --> 00:52:07.222 So, you know, this virtual computer,
- 1124 00:52:07.222 --> 00:52:09.337 maybe if you go and like,

- $1125\ 00:52:09.337 --> 00:52:12.180$ "Hey, show me the hard drive where this lives."
- 1126 00:52:12.180 --> 00:52:13.590 You're gonna go out to like, I don't know,
- $1127\ 00:52:13.590 \longrightarrow 00:52:17.850$ Washington State near some power plant basically,
- $1128\ 00:52:17.850 \dashrightarrow 00:52:20.700$ where it's very economical to set this up, right?
- 1129 00:52:20.700 --> 00:52:24.690 So they then guarantee like,
- 1130 00:52:24.690 --> 00:52:26.850 how do you know that that's safe, right?
- 1131 00:52:26.850 --> 00:52:30.375 Well they guarantee that they're following industry
- $1132\ 00:52:30.375 \longrightarrow 00:52:35.370$ standards to secure those facilities, to lock them down,
- $1133\ 00:52:35.370 --> 00:52:40.370$ to like continually maintain and manage the networks
- $1134\ 00:52:40.830 \longrightarrow 00:52:43.560$ that are there to patch the servers
- $1135\ 00:52:43.560 \longrightarrow 00:52:46.950$ that they're using to keep ahead of any security faults.
- $1136\ 00:52:46.950 \longrightarrow 00:52:48.840$ So there's one layer of this
- $1137\ 00:52:48.840 \longrightarrow 00:52:52.170$ where we rely on these big providers to do their jobs.
- 1138 00:52:52.170 --> 00:52:57.150 And despite the last 15, 20 years of like hacks
- $1139\ 00:52:57.150 --> 00:52:59.760$ that you've heard about what not that happened in industry,
- $1140\ 00{:}52{:}59.760 {\: -->\:} 00{:}53{:}03.142$ these three providers so far have managed to avoid
- 1141 00:53:03.142 --> 00:53:05.220 being hacked in any major way.
- $1142\ 00:53:05.220 --> 00:53:07.680$ Like you've not heard of like Amazon getting hacked,
- $1143\ 00:53:07.680$ --> 00:53:09.600 Google getting hacked, Microsoft getting hacked.
- 1144 00:53:09.600 --> 00:53:12.930 If tomorrow Amazon gets hacked, then yeah,
- $1145\ 00:53:12.930 \longrightarrow 00:53:14.250$ we're all worried okay?
- $1146\ 00:53:14.250 \longrightarrow 00:53:16.260$ And then we probably would need to shift around.

- $1147\ 00:53:16.260 --> 00:53:18.630$ But so there's a fundamental guarantee
- $1148\ 00:53:18.630 \longrightarrow 00:53:20.940$ that like all cloud kind of relies on
- $1149\ 00:53:20.940 \longrightarrow 00:53:22.500$ and it's like good to talk about it
- $1150\ 00:53:22.500 \longrightarrow 00:53:26.850$ because like we all have to kind of trust these,
- 1151 00:53:26.850 --> 00:53:28.860 you know, these large providers.
- 1152 00:53:28.860 --> 00:53:31.380 But they also invest,
- $1153\ 00{:}53{:}31.380 \dashrightarrow 00{:}53{:}34.230$ I'd say millions or hundreds of millions of dollars
- $1154\ 00:53:34.230 \longrightarrow 00:53:35.490$ in computer security.
- 1155 00:53:35.490 --> 00:53:38.160 Like if you're in the field of computer security,
- $1156~00{:}53{:}38.160 \dashrightarrow 00{:}53{:}40.860$ like, you know these guys because they are sort
- $1157\ 00:53:40.860 \longrightarrow 00:53:43.602$ of world leaders in this sort of thing.
- $1158\ 00{:}53{:}43.602 --> 00{:}53{:}47.610$ Microsoft, you know, notably was involved in doing some
- $1159\ 00{:}53{:}47.610 \dashrightarrow 00{:}53{:}51.510$ for ensic analysis on like Russian hacking back in 2016.
- $1160\ 00{:}53{:}51.510 \dashrightarrow 00{:}53{:}54.600$ Like they were some of the first people to notice
- $1161\ 00{:}53{:}54.600 {\: -->\:} 00{:}53{:}57.930$ that a state actor like Russia was on the scene
- $1162\ 00{:}53{:}57.930 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}00.480$ doing the various things, taking over computers.
- $1163\ 00{:}54{:}00.480 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}04.500$ So generally the community of software engineers
- 1164 00:54:04.500 --> 00:54:07.145 that do cloud work know these things
- $1165~00{:}54{:}07.145 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}11.070$ and kind of rely on Google, Amazon, and Microsoft
- $1166\ 00{:}54{:}11.070 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}14.430$ to like make these investments in computer security.
- 1167 00:54:14.430 --> 00:54:18.446 And notably like, I don't go like set up my own data center
- $1168~00{:}54{:}18.446 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}20.550$ because I know that I would have to invest millions

- $1169\ 00:54:20.550 \longrightarrow 00:54:24.930$ of dollars in having an equivalently good computer security
- $1170\ 00:54:24.930 --> 00:54:27.343$ team to like watch out for Russia,
- $1171\ 00:54:27.343$ --> 00:54:30.030 who by the way also invests hundreds of millions of dollars
- $1172\ 00:54:30.030 \longrightarrow 00:54:30.990$ to try to hack these things.
- $1173\ 00:54:30.990 \dashrightarrow 00:54:34.530$ So, the world of computer security is a problem.
- $1174\ 00:54:34.530 \longrightarrow 00:54:36.600$ So there's that level of trust, okay?
- $1175\ 00:54:36.600 --> 00:54:39.390$ And then on top of that, you have to trust one more level,
- $1176\ 00:54:39.390 \longrightarrow 00:54:41.120$ which is the group that like sets up the workspace.
- $1177\ 00:54:41.120 --> 00:54:42.840$ So you kind a have to trust, like if it's from us,
- $1178\ 00:54:42.840 \longrightarrow 00:54:45.330$ you have to kind of trust us that we're not screwing
- $1179\ 00{:}54{:}45.330 \dashrightarrow 00{:}54{:}48.300$ something up on top of all of those protections
- $1180\ 00:54:48.300 --> 00:54:51.240$ 'cause it is possible to do that at the level of like,
- $1181\ 00:54:51.240 --> 00:54:55.110$ you know, Jupyter Notebook that our logins are well used.
- $1182\ 00:54:55.110 --> 00:54:58.663$ So we also invest in using industry standard
- $1183\ 00:54:58.663 --> 00:55:01.770$ like login protocols, so that only the people that we say
- $1184\ 00:55:01.770 \longrightarrow 00:55:03.955$ can log in can log in, right?
- $1185\ 00:55:03.955 --> 00:55:07.440$ There's a layer of software security there that, you know,
- $1186\ 00:55:07.440 \longrightarrow 00:55:11.190$ we have to be on top of patching at one level also.
- $1187\ 00:55:11.190 \longrightarrow 00:55:13.170$ So these are all the things that make that secure.
- $1188\ 00:55:13.170 \longrightarrow 00:55:14.760$ And the last thing would be like,
- 1189 00:55:14.760 --> 00:55:18.391 do you or don't you trust us to like not to,

- $1190\ 00:55:18.391 \longrightarrow 00:55:21.330$ to not go in and do something nefarious with your data
- $1191\ 00:55:21.330 --> 00:55:23.490$ even though we're the only ones that can control it.
- $1192\ 00{:}55{:}23.490 \dashrightarrow 00{:}55{:}25.080$ So you trust that no body else can get into it.
- 1193 00:55:25.080 --> 00:55:25.913 but do you trust us?
- 1194 00:55:25.913 --> 00:55:27.180 And then that becomes,
- 1195 00:55:27.180 --> 00:55:29.015 yeah a question of like, you know,
- $1196\ 00:55:29.015 --> 00:55:32.070$ going back and checking your references, you know,
- $1197\ 00:55:32.070 --> 00:55:34.800$ talking to other PIs, making sure that something nefarious
- 1198 00:55:34.800 --> 00:55:36.990 hasn't happened, you know, there.
- $1199\ 00:55:36.990$ --> 00:55:39.150 And you probably wanna gain some confidence on that.
- 1200 00:55:39.150 --> 00:55:41.580 But what we've found is that organizations
- $1201\ 00:55:41.580 --> 00:55:43.170$ are getting more and more comfortable with that.
- 1202 00:55:43.170 --> 00:55:46.470 Dropbox is a publicly traded company,
- 1203 00:55:46.470 --> 00:55:47.940 lots of people put stuff on Dropbox.
- 1204 00:55:47.940 --> 00:55:48.930 When you put something on Dropbox,
- 1205 00:55:48.930 --> 00:55:51.000 you're essentially trusting Dropbox.
- 1206 00:55:51.000 --> 00:55:52.920 Dropbox is also built on one of these
- 1207 00:55:52.920 --> 00:55:55.314 three providers same way, right?
- $1208\ 00:55:55.314 \longrightarrow 00:55:57.349$ So it's that kind of idea
- $1209\ 00:55:57.349 \to 00:56:00.762$ that takes some getting used to but you know,
- $1210\ 00:56:00.762 \dashrightarrow 00:56:04.590$ becomes increasingly useful to do this kind of work on.
- $1211\ 00{:}56{:}04.590 \dashrightarrow 00{:}56{:}07.289$ And we see large banks and large pharma companies
- $1212\ 00:56:07.289 --> 00:56:10.374$ having taken their time to also adopt cloud
- $1213\ 00:56:10.374 \longrightarrow 00:56:12.510$ large financial institutions.

- $1214\ 00:56:12.510 \longrightarrow 00:56:14.640$ But over time there's been increasing comfort
- $1215\ 00:56:14.640 \longrightarrow 00:56:17.370$ as some of these security questions
- $1216~00{:}56{:}17.370 \dashrightarrow 00{:}56{:}19.503$ have been, you know, asked and answered.
- 1217 00:56:20.460 --> 00:56:21.960 So bit of a long answer,
- $1218\ 00:56:21.960 --> 00:56:25.143$ but thank you for the question 'cause it's important.
- 1219 00:56:26.610 --> 00:56:27.630 <v -> Alright, thanks so much.</v>
- 1220 00:56:27.630 --> 00:56:28.770 In the interest of time,
- $1221\ 00{:}56{:}28.770 \dashrightarrow 00{:}56{:}31.942$ I think we're gonna have to stop it here, thanks again.
- 1222 00:56:31.942 --> 00:56:36.942 Really appreciate. (audio garbles)
- 1223 00:56:36.960 --> 00:56:39.690 <
v ->Thank you guys. Thank you all for your time.
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- 1224 00:56:39.690 --> 00:56:40.640 <v -> Have a great day.</v>