# Spring Internship Outcomes

# THE TEAM

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# **Project Objective**

Understand the crowdsourced data collection process and its application.

Learn about strategies

- Test and ensure data quality
- Select quality workers
  - Simulate the experience of MTurk workers
  - Analyze data from real MTurk workers which helps to evaluate the quality of their work.

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#### **Introduction to Mturk**

Mechanical Turk (MTurk) is a crowdsourcing marketplace that makes it easier for individuals and businesses to outsource their processes and jobs to a distributed workforce that can perform these tasks virtually.

MTurk enables companies to harness the collective intelligence, skills, and insights from a global workforce.

- To streamline business processes
- Increase the process of data collection and analysis
- Accelerate machine learning development

#### Benefits -

Reduce cost

By leveraging the skills of distributed Workers on a pay-per-task model, you can significantly lower costs while achieving results that might not have been possible with just a dedicated team.

• Optimize efficiency

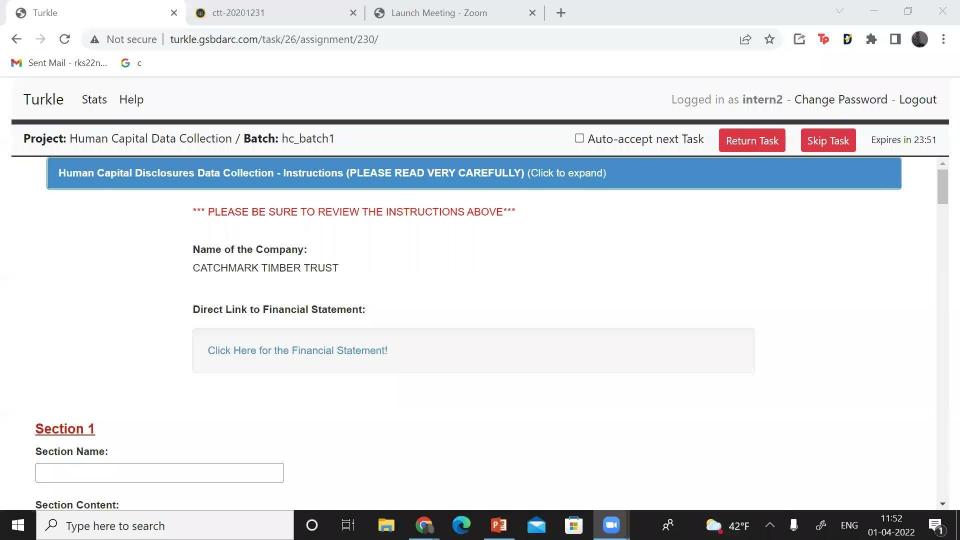
Using MTurk to outsource micro-tasks ensures that work gets done quickly, while freeing up time and resources for the company – so internal staff can focus on higher value activities.

Increase flexibility

With access to a global, on-demand, 24x7 workforce, MTurk enables businesses and organizations to get work done easily and quickly when they need it.

#### **Data Collection**

- Manual data collection is a standard operating procedure when you are collecting a new measure.
- We use the Crowdsourced data collection to collect data from SEC as it offers several benefits including access to a large pool of workers and reduced data collection cost.
- Traditionally, tasks like this have been accomplished by hiring a large temporary workforce, which is time-consuming, expensive, difficult to scale, or have gone undone. Crowdsourcing is a good way to break down a manual, time-consuming project into smaller, more manageable tasks to be completed by distributed workers over the Internet.
- Collecting data for the Human Capital Section in SEC Form 10K's on Turkle to support a faculty project.
- This data collection process closely resembles what real MTurk workers have done to collect data.
- And it is used to label data when building machine learning models that often require a large amount of labeled training data.

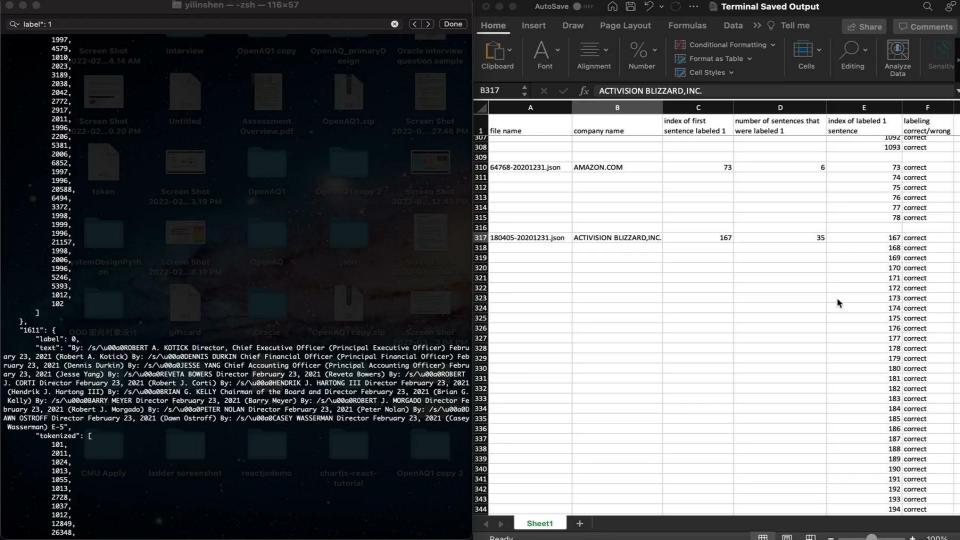


### Potential issues with manual data extraction

- Manual data entry is expensive and time-consuming.
- Human error leads to inaccurate information.
- Manual data entry creates disengaged employees.
- Manual data entry creates potential financial issues.
- Manual data entry could lead to potential compliance issues.
- No backup records in case of loss or damage.

# **Analyzing the data**

- Shift our focus to evaluating the quality of data collected by MTurk workers, as well as their characteristics (e.g., speed, accuracy).
- Checking data uses a deep learning model. The learning model is not perfect. We need to check how much accuracy it can achieve.
- We reviewed the Human Capital Data in JSON format to detect anomalies in the result testing data.



# **Ideas: data cleaning**

# Ways to remove Unicode Characters

- Using encode() and decode() method
- Using replace() method to remove
   Unicode characters
- Using ord() method and for loop to remove Unicode characters

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### How can we figure out the ideal workers for our projects?

#### We care about data accuracy

Do workers collect data correctly?



#### We prefer to have a larger data library

Which worker is more efficient?



# Accuracy is essential for us

We need the half of data to train the model and the other half to test the model.

- Check if there is some data missing
- Check if there are duplications in

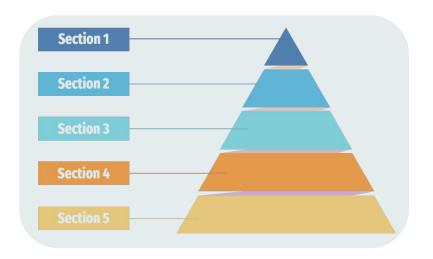
the collected data





### Tasks are different

- A short task takes about 30s to fetch
- A long task is time-consuming



#### **Business Seasonality and Product Introductions**

The Company has historically experienced higher net sales in its first quarter compared to other quarters in its fiscal year due in part to seasonal holiday demand. Additionally, new product and service introductions can significantly impact net sales, cost of sales and operating expenses. The timing of product introductions can also impact the Company's net sales to its indirect distribution channels are filled with new inventory following a product launch, and channel inventory of an older product often declines as the launch of a newer product approaches. Net sales can also be affected when consumers and distributors anticipate a product introduction.

#### Employees

As of September 26, 2020, the Company had approximately 147,000 full-time equivalent employees.

#### **Available Information**

The Company's Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to reports filed pursuant to Sections 13(a) and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Such reports and other information filed by the Company with the SEC are available free of charge at investor-relations/sec-filings/default.aspx when such reports are available on the SEC's website. The Company periodically provides other information for investors on its corporate website, www.apple.com, and its investor relations website, investor.apple.com. This includes press releases and other information about financial performance, information on corporate governance and details related to the Company's annual meeting of shareholders. The information contained on the websites referenced in this Form 10-K is not incorporated by references into this filing. Further, the Company's references to website URLs are intended to be inactive textual references only.



We believe that our continued success and growth is directly related to our ability to attract, retain, and develop top talent. As of December 31, 2020, Activision Blizzard had approximately 9,500 employees, with approximately 65% in North America proximately 30% in the Europe, Middle East, and Africa ("EMEA") region, and approximately 5% in the Asia Pacific region. Of these employees, approximately 61% are personnel whose primary focus is on game and technology development, which represents an approximate three percentage point increase from 2019. Activision Blizzard takes an active role in the entirety of the employee lifecycle, from candidates to alumni. Recognizing that ours is a rapidly changing industry with constant technological innovation, we main focused on attracting, recruiting, enabling, developing, and retaining a diverse and innovative employee population.

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Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion ("DE&I"): We believe that a culture of inclusion and diversity enables us to create, develop, and fully leverage the strengths of our workforce to exceed players' and fans' expectations and meet our growth objectives. We remain

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ommitted to building and sustaining a culture of belonging, built on equitable processes and systems, where everyone thrives. By embedding DE&I practices and programs in the full employee lifecycle, we work to recruit, attract, retain, and grow world-class tal nt. Dur employee resource groups play an active role in our DE&I efforts by building community and awareness. We also offer leadership and management development opportunities on the topics of unconscious bias and inclusive leadership and train our recruiting workforce in diverse sourcing strategies.

Our Corporate Governance Principles and Policies provide that the initial list from which any new independent director nominee is chosen includes qualified female and racially/ethnically diverse candidates and, similarly, if we conduct an external search for new CEO, that the initial list of external candidates includes qualified female and racially/ethnically diverse candidates. As of December 31, 2020, two of our ten directors were women.

Additionally, we have been recognized for our efforts to create an inclusive workplace, including receiving the distinction for two consecutive years as a "Best Place to Work for LGBTQ Equality" by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Corporate

Equality Index. We are proud of these accolades because we believe that the most innovative work comes from a culture in which all employees can be, and bring, their authentic and best selves.

\*\*Compensation and Benefits\*\*

The main objective of our compensation program is to provide a compensation package that attracts, retains, motivates, and rewards top-performing employees that operate in a highly competitive and technologically challenging.

environment. We seek to do this by linking compensation (including annual changes in compensation) to overall Company and business unit performance, as well as each individual's contribution to the results achieved. The emphasis on overall Company performance is intended to align our employee's financial interests with the interests of our shareholders. We also seek fairness in total compensation by reference to external comparisons, internal comparisons, and the relationship between development and non-development, as well as management and non-management, remuneration. We believe in equal pay for equal work, and we continue to make efforts across our global organization to promote equal pay practices.

We are committed to providing comprehensive benefit options, and it is our intention to offer benefits that allow our employees and their families to live healthier and more secure lives. Some examples of our wide-ranging benefits offered are: medical incurance, prescription drug benefits, dental insurance, vision insurance, socident insurance, accident insurance, critical illness insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, health savings accounts, and flexible spending accounts. We frequently upgrade our benefit portfolio by seeking out pioneer partners that give our employees modern benefit experiences. As an example, at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic when traditional medical services became under huge demand, in order to help ensure that our employees and their families had access to medical advice, we created an enterprise-wide global network of physicians.

Talent Assessment and Development. Recognizing that ours is a rapidly changing industry with constant innovation, developing our diverse and innovative talent base is paramount, imperative, and vital to our business. We intend for our employees to have a clear understanding of their strengths and development opportunities, while fostering a collaborative and productive relationship between employees and their managers. Talent assessment and development are therefore critical aspects of our human capital programs. We employ a broad range of talent processies—for example, talent assessment, succession planning, and performance management. Our performance management process includes the establishment of goals (the beginning of they ear), and throughout the year we courage regular check-ins on progress and performance so that employees have a clear understanding of their strengths and areas for improvement. We regularly assess employee contributions to our Company results and culture so that we can appropriately regular cognize and reward performance. Additionally, on an annual basis, we conduct an organizational and performance review process with our CEO and all segment, business unit, and function leaders, focusing on our high-performing and high-potential talent, diver each of the performance and succession for our most critical roles.

Employee Experience: We capture and act on the voice of our employees through regular company-wide pulse surveys. We emphasize to employees that this is their chance to "provide honest, candid feedback about their experience working for the company" pur survey participation rates (regularly 75% or higher) demonstrate our collective commitment that Activision Blizzard remains a great place to work. The survey—and other forms of employee feedback—result in actionable steps that lead to positive improved ents to the employee experience at the company-wide, business unit, and team levels. Our employee feedback is dynamic and relevant to our employees' immediate needs. For example, most recent surveys focused on whether our employees felt supported as they worked from home during the COVID-19 pandemic, and expectations of the employee population as we anticipate a return to the office.

# Check if there is some data missing

```
def accuracyTotal(df):
  strName = 'Answer.sectionname '
 strContect = 'Answer.sectioncontent '
 n = 0
  for x in range(2,13):
    strSectionName = strName + str(x)
    strSectionContect = strContect + str(x)
    if df[strSectionName].count() != df[strSectionContect].count():
      #print(df[strSectionName].count(),df[strSectionContect].count())
      n += abs(df[strSectionName].count() - df[strSectionContect].count())
      print(f'Section Name/contect {x} probably missing data.')
  if n != 0:
    right = df['HITId'].count() - 1
    rate = right/df['HITId'].count()
    print(f'the accuracy rate is {rate* 100:.2f} %')
accuracyTotal(df)
Section Name/contect 5 probably missing data.
the accuracy rate is 99.90 %
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Answer.sectioncontent 1
                              898 non-null
                                             object
Answer.sectioncontent 10
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Answer.sectioncontent 11
                                             object
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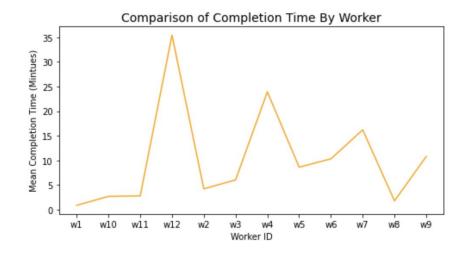
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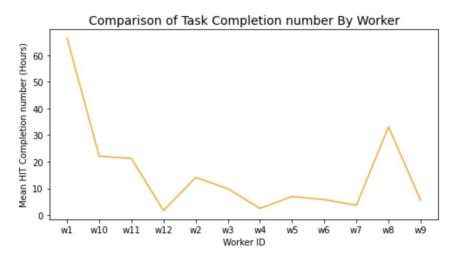
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strContect = 'Answer.sectioncontent '
                                                                   Within the United States, approximately 650 were hourly-rated, union
                                                                   11
for x in range(2,13):
                                                                   nan
                                                                   As of December 31, 2020, we employed approximately 57,900 people in
  strSectionContect1 = strContect + str(x)
  for y in range(0,1000):
                                                                   broad-based development and mentorship opportunities, recognize and
                                                                   The health and safety of our employees is one of our highest priorit
    strSectionContect2 = strContect + str(x - 1)
                                                                   As of December 31, 2020, we had approximately 2,600 full-time, part-
    if df[strSectionContect1][y]!= df[strSectionContect2]
       print(df[strSectionContect1][y])
                                                                   nan
      print("//")
                                                                   The number of Company employees represented by unions, and solely wi
      print(df[strSectionContect2][y])
      print("----")
                                                                   *Stewardship: provide safe, reliable and environmentally sound opera
                                                                   Each employee at SunCoke is part of our collaborative and compliment
                                                                   nan
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                                                                   None of our employees is represented by a labor union or covered by
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# We pay them hourly, efficiency matters as well!

Mean Completion Time per task

Mean Completion Number per hour





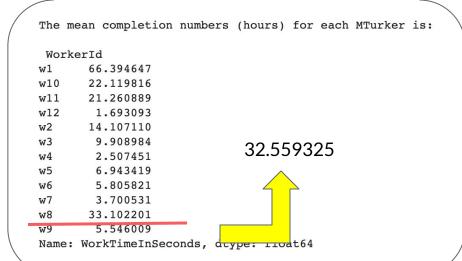
#### The workers that we like

Accuracy times efficiency

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98%
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Section Name/contect 5 probably missing data.
made by worker 3
                       w8
10
       w8
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34
57
935
       w8
948
980
       w8
982
       w8
990
Name: WorkerId, Length: 61, dtype: object
the accuracy rate is 98.36 %
```





# Averages are more valuable if they are stable

- We can also check the time variance of each HIT by worker
- I feel this can also tell who is the "smart worker"

```
# Check the time variance of each HIT by worker
completion_time_variance = df.groupby('WorkerId')['WorkTimeInSeconds'].var()
#df.WorkTimeInSeconds.var()
print(f'The mean completion time (minutes) for each MTurker is:\n\n {completion_time_variance/60}\n\n'+ '-'*70)
```

WΙ	24.9683/3
w10	131.108333
WII	2112.3900/3
w12	72120.715278
w2	229.674365
w3	39192.050286
w4	35244.360658
w5	1959.751172
w6	3877.447335
w7	93323.710300

24 060272

WorkerId

w8

Name: WorkTimeInSeconds, dtype: float64



#### What we need to do next

- Compare the average section length of the tasks did by each worker
- Use completion time/ section numbers



# Thank you!