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Using AWS AI & ML services to solve e-commerce problems for the next billion users of India

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Meesho: Making e-commerce affordable and accessible

#1 Shopping App by MAU in 2022



> 140 Million Transacting Users in 2022



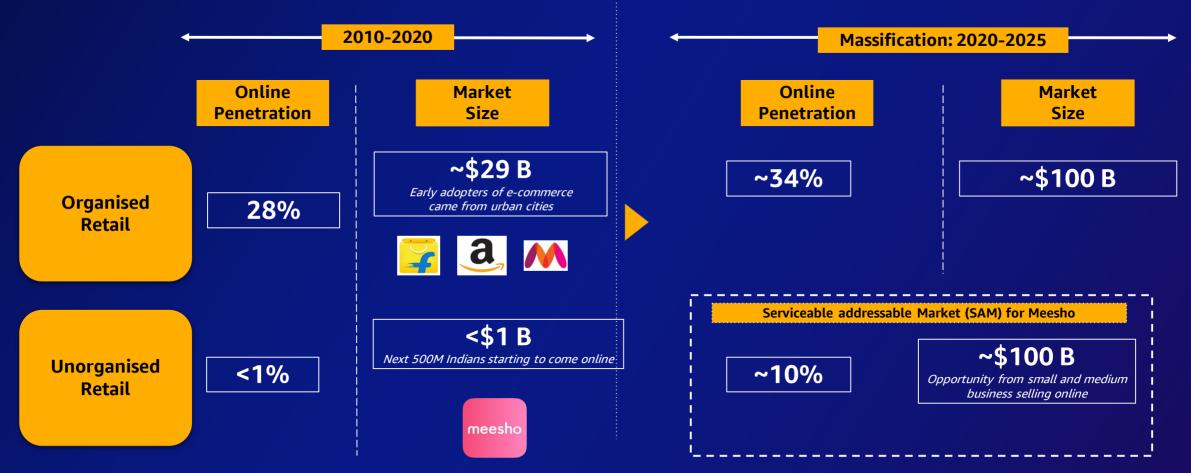
> 1 Million Registered Sellers

>80% of orders come from tier 2+ markets





Unorganised retail market in India is ~7x of organised retail - majorly offline!





Zero inventory, zero commission e-commerce model





Challenges





Seller Persona: Small business owners - selling unbranded selection at low margins, often selling online for the first time

63%
work with < 5
employees

€₹2.6L
Monthly turnover of 50% of our sellers

60%
products under
INR 300

97%
products are unbranded





*Source: Meesho Internal Data; Meesho Seller Survey | turnover: total sales value (in INR)



Meesho is a gateway for unbranded sellers to achieve scale

Challenges faced by unbranded sellers

Offline Shops: *Footfall limited* to location



Store Rent



Warehousing space



Investment in footfall



Inventory purchase



Branding expenses

Large E-com players in India: *Majority users shop for brands*



Expensive catalogue photoshoot



Competition from established brands



Commission



Competition from inhouse brands



High Shipping costs

How is Meesho solving these?



Easy product listing



Low guardrails for product photos



Guided pricing



Self serve



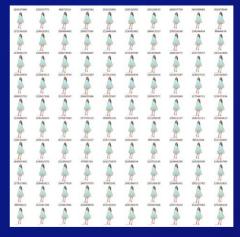
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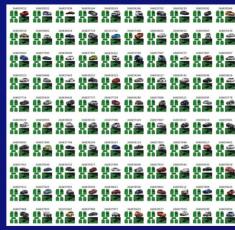


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Examples of groups of duplicate products



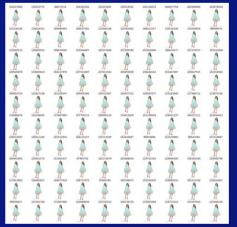


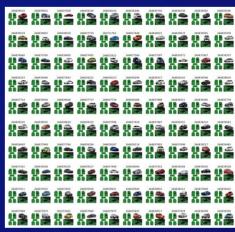


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- > Representations are trained with triplet loss
 - Positives: Image and text augmentation on the same product
 - Negatives: Images from a different product from the same category

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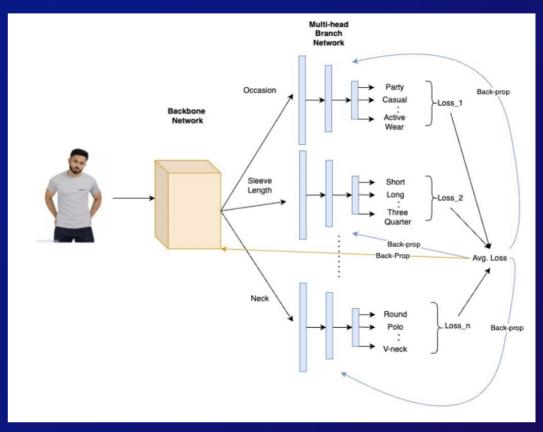




Automated cataloging: Visual attribute extraction

- Multi-label classification on a catalog image to understand visual attributes (e.g., neck, pattern, sleeve)
- Thousands of product categories, hundreds of attributes and values - single model vs many models?
- Build category-specific models that help in learning patterns common across attributes in that category
- Address challenges w.r.t a sparse attribute space

Architecture for Visual Attribute Extraction









Reduced delay in product listing

Automated cataloging: Compliance on policies & guidelines

- Automated Compliance Checks with object detection and image classification models
- Generated synthetic labelled data with Dall-E, Stable Diffusion since many such classes are quite rare



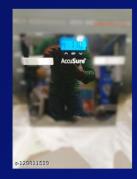




Fake Brand Logos



Obscenity



Blurry image



Price on image



Watermarks





Unauthorised Products: Guns, Alcohol



User persona

80%
live in Tier
2+ towns

30-40% First Time Internet Users

Shop on Meesho for Low Prices & Large Selection

Brows
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Search

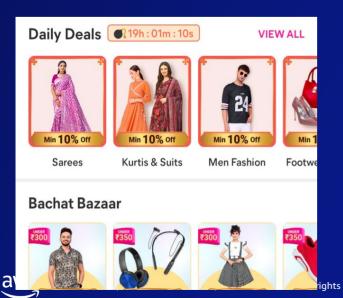


Recommendations at every touch point

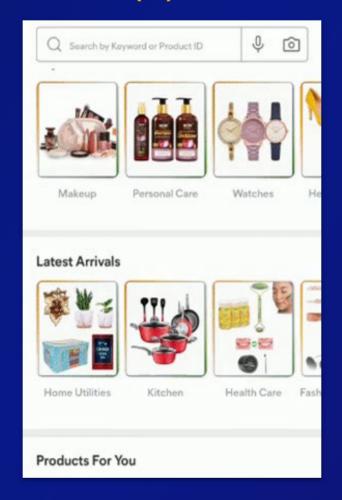
Personalised Notifications



Home Page widgets



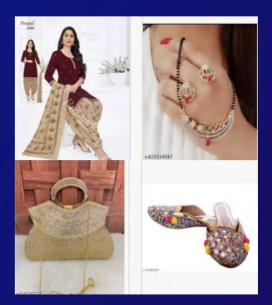
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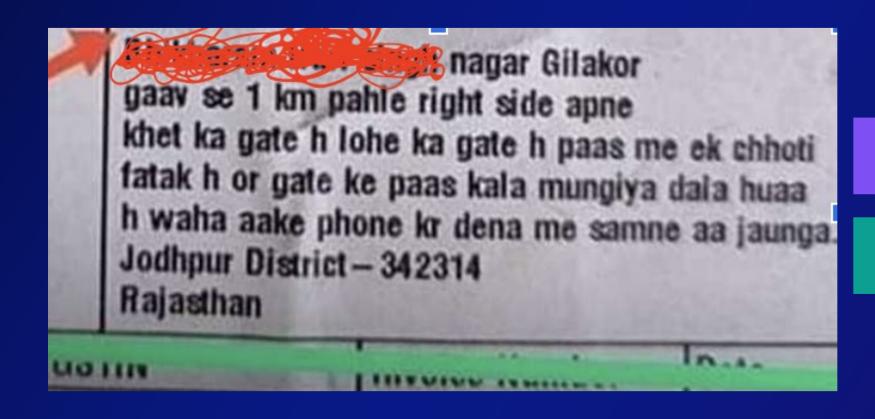
Substitute Recommendations on PDP



Complementary Product Recos



Bringing efficiency in fulfilment: Address resolution



Resolve to a known location

Real time feedback to improve Address Quality



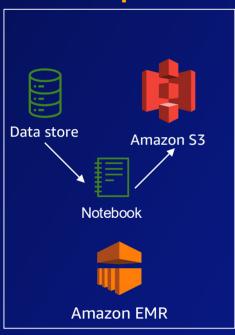
Bringing efficiency in fulfilment: Fraud detection system

Thousands of features on: User Location Supplier Product **Delivery Partner** And their interactions. **RTO Fraud** Return Claim Fraud



ML Stack

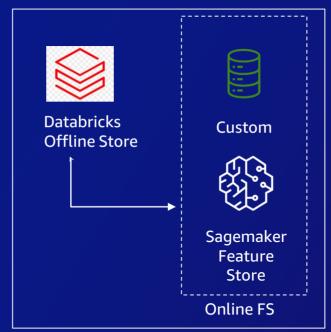
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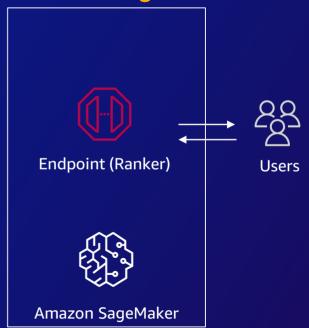
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Feature Platform



Serving







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