Yeidy Levels
Week 3 - Data Privacy

Visual Studio Code vs Replit

Descript of VSC from their website: Visual Studio Code is a streamlined code editor with support for development operations like debugging, task running, and version control. It aims to provide just the tools a developer needs for a quick code-build-debug cycle and leaves more complex workflows to fuller featured IDEs

Description of Replit from their website:
Instant IDE. Code from your browser. Start coding instantly, right from your browser. With GitHub integration and support for nearly every major programming language, Replit is the best place to code.

Similarities: Both VSC and Replit collect data to improve their product. VSC refers to it as telemetry and they collect three types of it: crash reports, errors, and usage data. Replit collects cookies, specifically: strictly necessary cookies, functional cookies,, and analytical/performance cookies. The retention policies are also imilar in he sense that the data is not attached to the user. VSC does not require a sign in, so users are not uniquely identified when telemetry is sent. Replit takes measures to delete information or maintain it in a de-identified form when it is no longer needed.

Differences: Since VSC is a local editor, their privacy policy was about a third of the size of Replit's. Replit collects much more personal data, such as email and phone number. Additionally, it will collect data from social media profiles if linked to the account.