

Zeno is a PhD student at the University of Zoxfort and works at the data science department. He works together with his two supervisors, Dr. Turtle and Dr. Crab, who are both experts in their own fields.

Zeno has recently been working closely with Dr. Turtle on their project that concerns predicting consumer behavior for supermarkets. However, recently Zeno has been suspecting that Dr. Turtle is using the data in a way that goes against user privacy laws. Although his supervisor mentioned it was obtained from a questionnaire on the general public that was finished before Zeno worked at Zoxfort, he suspects Dr. Turtle might not tell the whole truth. Although the data is anonymized, Zeno has recognized products on the dataset that only appear at the supermarket chain Zomar and remembered Dr. Turtle has worked for that company before. Now Zeno is worried about the ethical implications of using such data without proper consent.

Although he respects and feels grateful for the mentorship of Dr. Turtle, his previous questions about the origin of the data have been rebuffed. Yet, the potential ethical implications is something he cannot overlook. He considers discussing the issue with Dr. Crab, who is known for her strict ethical stance and transparent research practices. However, Zeno is anxious about the consequences. He fears damaging his relationship with Dr. Turtle or even jeopardizing his own job.

Questions:

1. Should he go to Dr. Crab with his worries and risk a falling out, or should he try talking to Dr. Turtle again, even though it did not work before?
2. How could Dr. Crab have made it easier for Zeno so he would not feel so lost in this situation?