## 14<sup>th</sup> CODH Seminar 100 Recipes for IIIF Curation Platform

# Ideas for Using the IIIF Curation Platform to Bring Out the Full Potential of IIIF



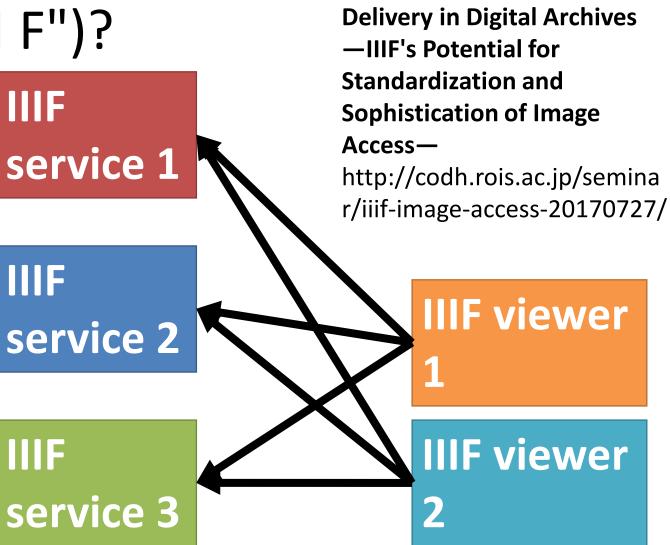
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## Introduction

# 1 ★ What is IIIF ("triple-I F")?

IIIF = International Image Interoperability Framework





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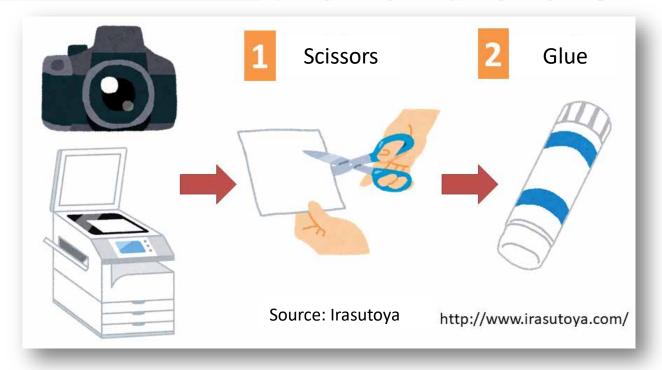
A New Trend on Image

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#### What is curation?

"Curation" is a word that originally means activities at museums such as collecting materials and exhibiting artworks.

- 1. Collect materials under a certain theme.
- 2. Arrange them in an appropriate order (layout).
- 3. Present or share the result as a new material.



## Creation and publication of a curation



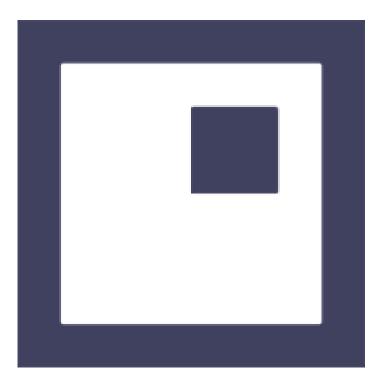
Depiction of a Homely Woman: Suetsumuhana http://codh.rois.ac.jp/pmjt/curation/2/



Facial Expression Data: British portraits http://codh.rois.ac.jp/curation/exhibition/2/

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#### What is the IIIF Curation Platform?

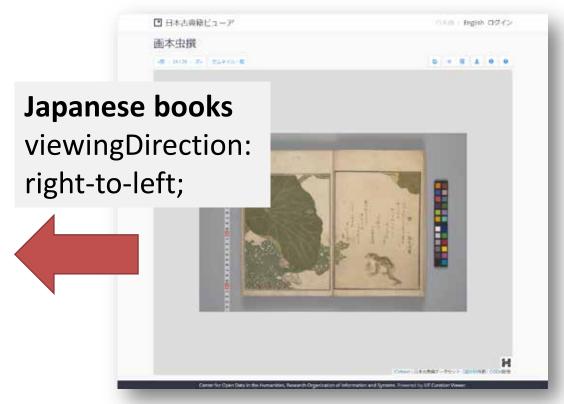


Logo of the IIIF Curation Platform http://codh.rois.ac.jp/icp/

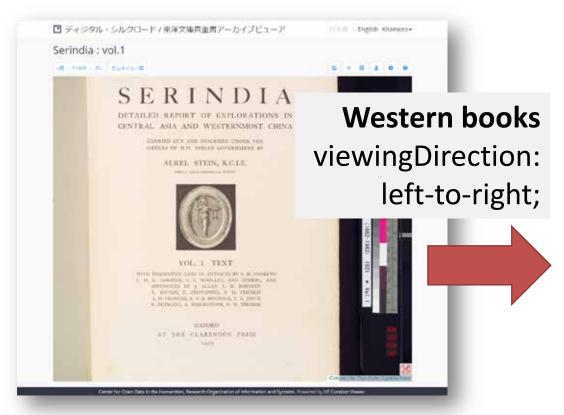
- 1. A software suite for introducing the concept of curation to the world of IIIF.
- 2. There are **7** pieces of software running on a web browser, **1** application designed for a specific purpose, **3** Python programs running on the server side, and **1** Docker setting for supporting installation. All of these are open source.
- 3. It is not for competing with well-known IIIF viewers (e.g., Mirador, Universal Viewer). It is focused on bringing out the full potential of IIIF.

# Viewing IIIF Images

## Viewing books with the IIIF Curation Viewer



Japanese Pre-modern Text Dataset http://codh.rois.ac.jp/pmjt/



"Toyo Bunko Collection" Rare Books Archive http://dsr.nii.ac.jp/toyobunko/

#### **IIIF Curation Viewer Embedded**

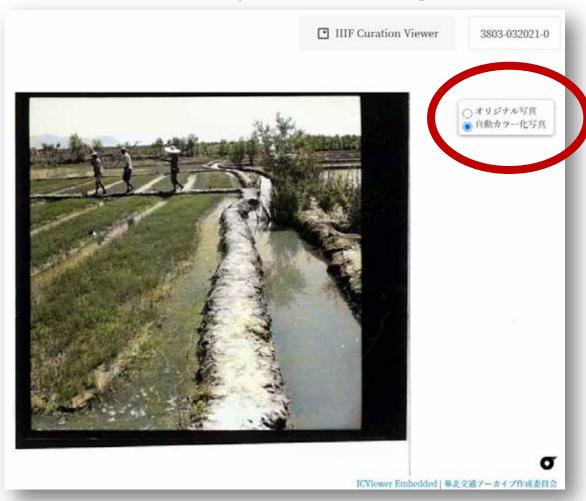


North China Railway Archive http://codh.rois.ac.jp/north-china-railway/

- 1. The standard IIIF Curation Viewer is designed as a full-page tool.
- 2. The IIIF Curation Viewer Embedded is integrated in a web page to combine with other information.
- 3. There are unique functions only in this viewer, while functions not relevant for the embedded version are not implemented.

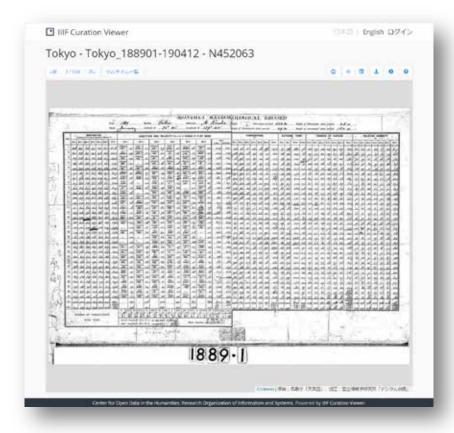
## Switchable display between multiple images





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## Archives of scientific data (ledgers)

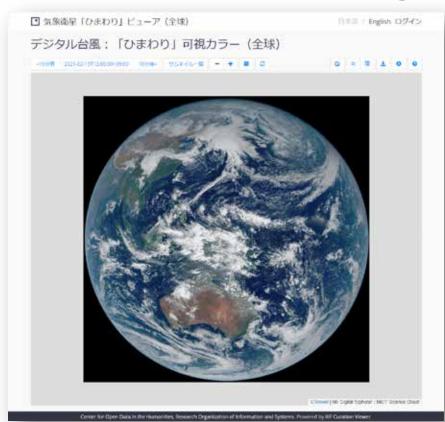


Digital Typhoon: Weather Ledger Archive http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/digital-typhoon/genbo/

- 1. IIIF is also useful for delivering longterm scientific data like the ledgers.
- 2. Images with sequence numbers are converted to Tiled Pyramidal TIFF format, and linked from the IIIF manifest.
- 3. The enlarged region does not change as you turn the page. This is convenient when you want to transcribe a specific section of the ledger.

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## Time series image archives



- 1. Displays high-resolution images (11,000 pixels x 11,000 pixels) observed by the Himawari weather satellite.
- 2. "Prev" and "next" moves along time instead of pages. The date can also be selected from the calendar.
- 3. This use case cannot be properly handled in the current IIIF framework, so we independently extended the Timeline API and Cursor API.

Digital Typhoon: Weather Satellite 'Himawari' Viewer http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/digital-typhoon/himawari-3g/clipping/

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#### IIIF Curation Platform and Curation API

#### **IIIF Curation Platform**

- An open source software suite implementing new specifications such as the Curation API.
- The system works with many tools; not just a viewer, but also data storage, search, etc.
- Digital tools for specific needs have also been developed.

#### **Curation API**

- Proposed as API specifications that extend official IIIF specifications.
- The API itself can also be used with other tools. The IIIF Curation Platform is a reference implementation of the API.
- The official IIIF specifications are from the provider perspective. Curation, on the other hand, is from the user perspective.

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## Non-standard APIs for extending IIIF

#### Curation API

• Enables cross-manifest grouping, taking a rectangular region contained in a canvas as the minimum granularity.

#### Timeline API

 Enables viewing of materials for which a one-dimensional sequence can be defined, using time as a unit instead of a page.

#### Cursor API

• Enables cutting out a part of the list of canvases, when the list in a manifest is very long (e.g. Timeline).

Case Studies of IIIF-Based Delivery and Use of High-Quality/High-Definition Images, http://codh.rois.ac.jp/iiif/

# 12 ★ Login to the IIIF Curation Platform



There is a login function at the upper right of the IIIF Curation Viewer screen



- Uses Firebase authentication from Google.
- Login is not necessary, but if you login, you can take advantage of authorization management for ICP.
- Some ICP services (kuzushiji recognition, etc.) require login, but services are basically free of charge.

# IIIF Image Curation

## Image curation

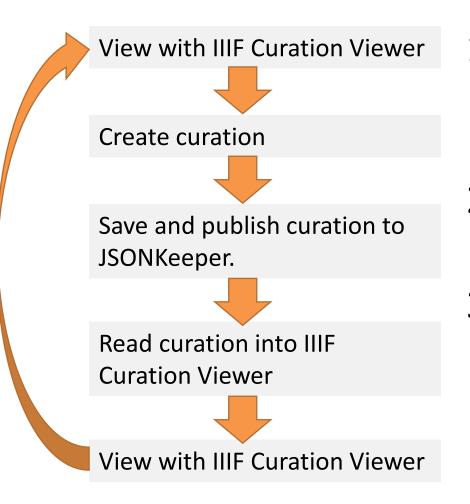


### Saving a curation



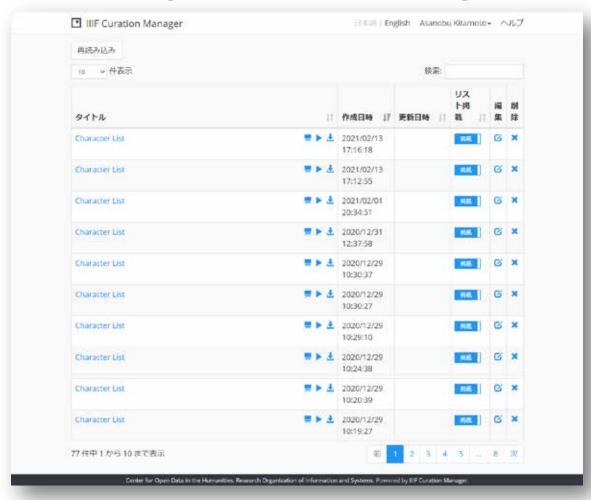
- Curations created can be downloaded locally, but it is convenient to export and save them on our service (JSONkeeper).
- 2. Saving a curation normally means creating a new one, but overwriting the existing one (update) is also possible.
- 3. Curation exported with login information can prevent being updated by other people.

#### Publication of curation



- 1. Curations saved on our service (JSONkeeper) can be shared with others by its unique URL.
- 2. Saved curations can be viewed again with the IIIF Curation Viewer.
- 3. Curations cannot be searched. Search requires other tools such as the IIIF Curation Finder (to be introduced in the next presentation).

## Management using the IIIF Curation Manager



- Curations exported after login can be listed on the IIIF Curation Manager.
- Curations can be edited and deleted.
- Curations can be viewed from the IIIF Curation Player and the IIIF Curation Board.

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## Editing using the IIIF Curation Editor

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- A curation data in the JSON format can be edited using the JSON editor.
- You can also add or change metadata.
- This may not be useful for a large-scale editing work.

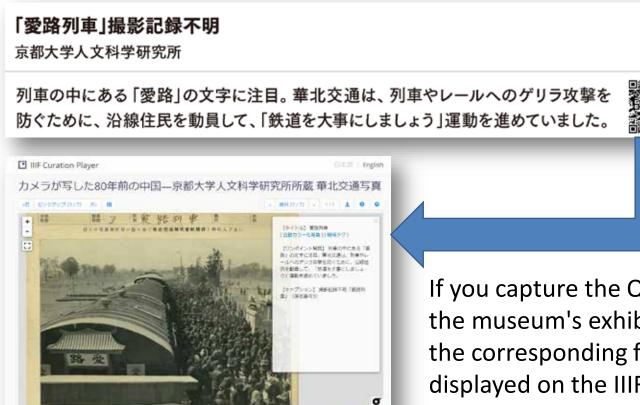
## Exhibition using the IIIF Curation Player



- 1. Functions for "exhibiting" curations are implemented.
- 2. Curation metadata can be displayed as an overlay on the image.
- 3. The slide show function allows the automatic playback of frames.

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## Linkage with museum exhibitions



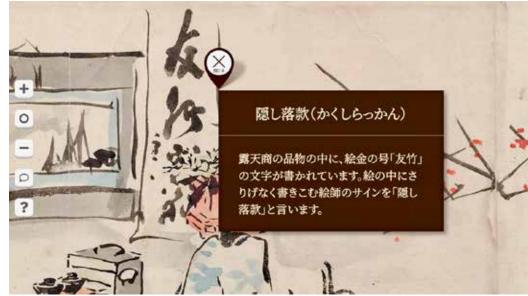
- If you capture the QR code of the museum's exhibition room. the corresponding frame is displayed on the IIIF Curation Player.
- For the North China Railway Archive, linking is done using a QR code between a museum exhibition (offline) and an ICP exhibition (online).
- A smartphone can be used as a simple exhibition guide.
- This also enables longterm archiving of exhibition content.

AI/Technology: North China Railway Archive, http://codh.rois.ac.jp/north-china-railway/technology/

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#### Development of a viewer for museum exhibitions





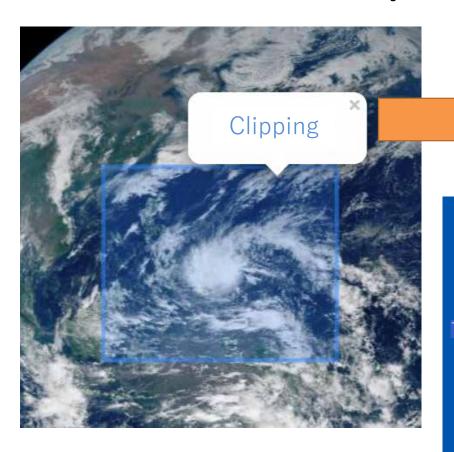
A viewer built by Association Press displays data in an ICP Docker version for a "Yoshitoshi" exhibition at the Museum of Art, Kochi.

- 1. The curation function of the IIIF Curation Viewer is used to attach annotations to images (region designation and metadata input).
- 2. Curations saved on the CODH server are displayed during the exhibition.

# **Exporting IIIF Images**

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## Function for exporting a selected region



A URL indicating the selected region can be sent to an external service

http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/cgibin/iiif/clipping.pl?image=http%3A%2F%2Fagor a.ex.nii.ac.jp%2Fdigitaltyphoon%2Fiiif%2F2021%2F02%2F17%2F20210 217041000.tif%2F2822%2C3082%2C3408%2C2 832%2Ffull%2F0%2Fdefault.jpg&lang=ja

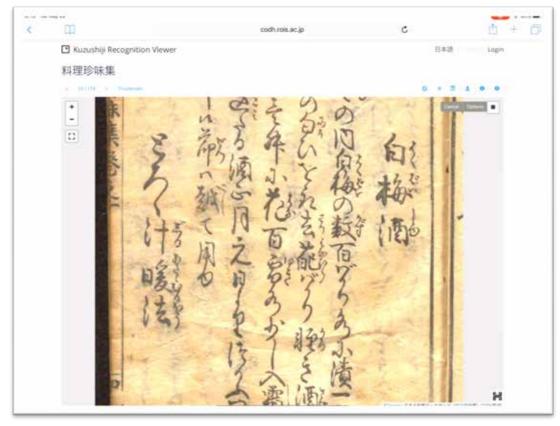


/digital-typhoon/iiif/2021/02/17/20210217041000.tif/2822,3082,3408,2832/full/0/default.jpg resolution

Full

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## KogumaNet kuzushiji recognition service

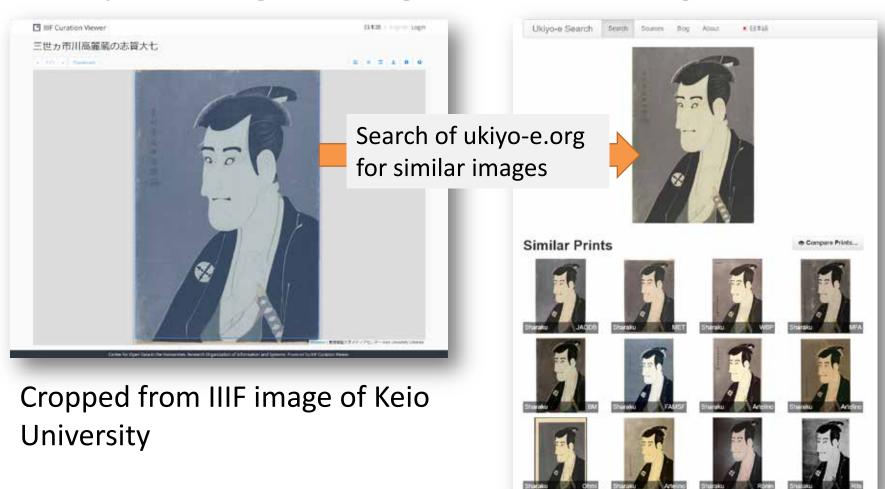


KogumaNet Kuzushiji Recognition Service http://codh.rois.ac.jp/char-shape/app/single-mobilenet/

- In this kuzushiji (cursive character) recognition service, Al recognizes a character in the selected region, and displays an ordered list of character candidates.
- The service runs in a browser using Tensorflow.js.
- It uses the image export function of the ICViewer.

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## Exporting to a general image service



- Work with web services that takes an image as input and returns processed results as output.
- It is also possible to start up an API on one's own.

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## Cropped image export plugin



ICP Service Repository
http://codh.rois.ac.jp/icp/service-repository/



- 1. Create a JSON file describing the endpoint setting.
- 2. You can change the export endpoint of the ICViewer by a drag & drop of this JSON.

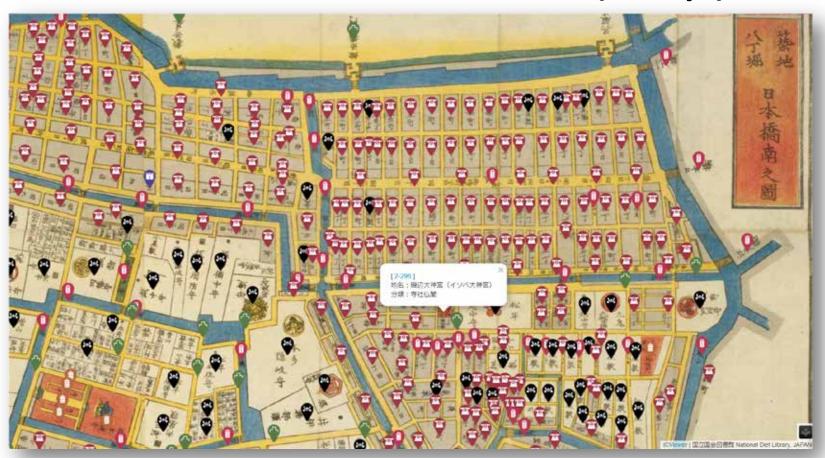
# IIIF Image Annotation

#### Curations and annotations



- Curation: Selecting and collecting a part of images (defined in the Curation API).
- 2. Annotation: Adding and displaying annotations for images (defined in the Curation API)
- 3. This is different from annotation in the IIIF Presentation API (However, the two are mostly interoperable).

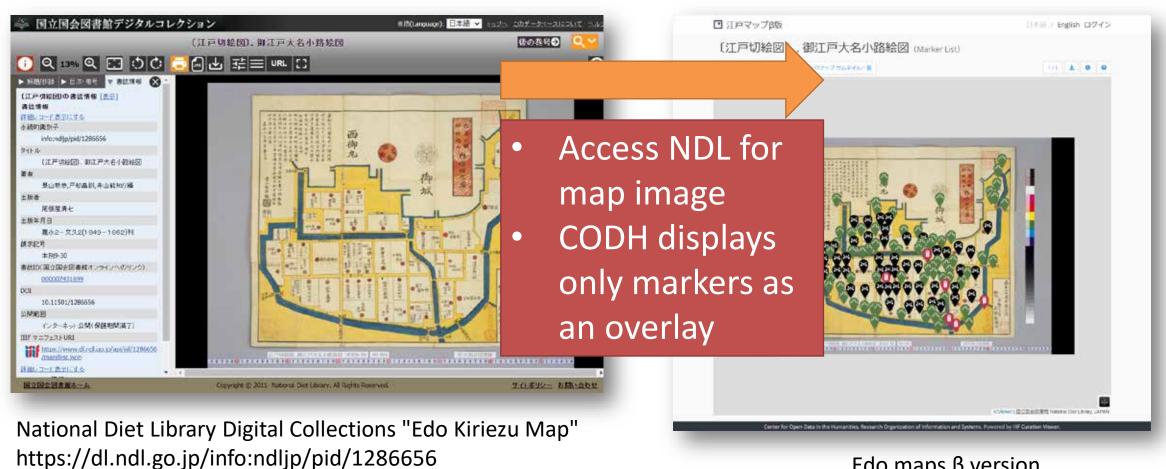
## Annotation view mode (map)



- Annotations can be displayed as an overlay on the image.
- By using the marker and info window, it is possible to offer user experience similar to using a Web-based map.

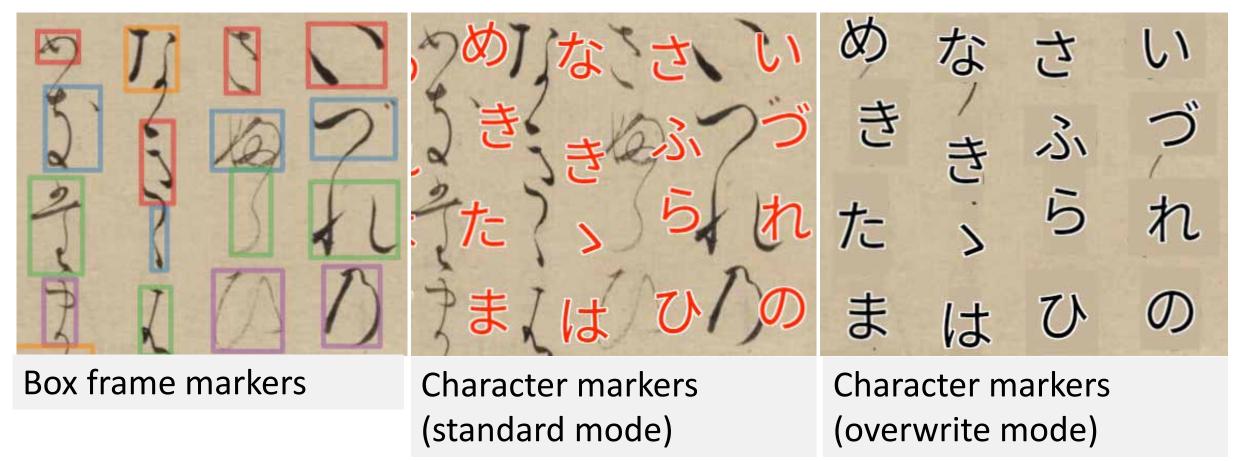
Edo maps β version, http://codh.rois.ac.jp/edo-maps/

## Building cross-institutional digital archives



Edo maps β version

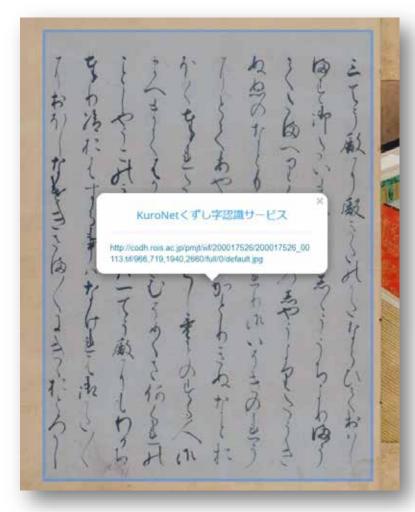
## Annotation view mode (characters)



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The Tale of Genji (Collection of the National Institute of Japanese Literature)

## KuroNet kuzushiji recognition service

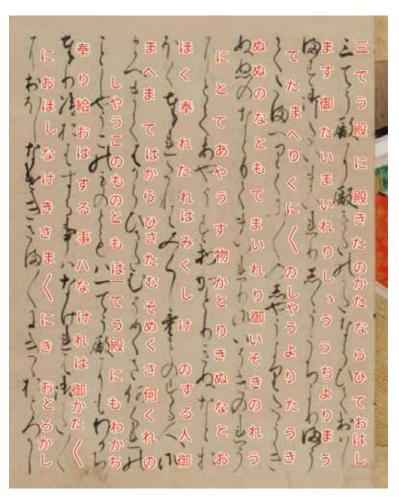




KuroNet Kuzushiji Recognition Service http://codh.rois.ac.jp/kuronet/

- Kuzushiji multicharacter recognition service recognizes all cursive characters in an exported image.
- It takes about 1–3 seconds for the recognition of a single image.

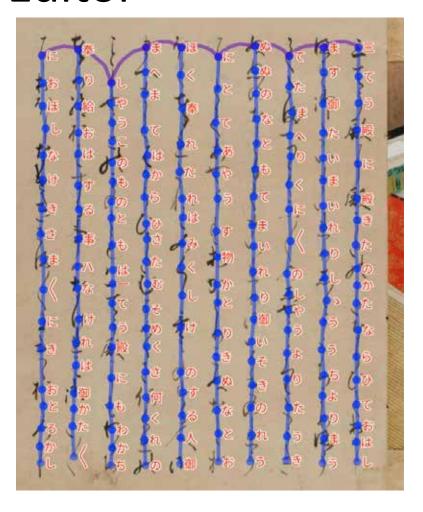
## Displaying results of kuzushiji recognition



- It is possible to display character markers on the IIIF Curation Viewer, and read them while comparing with characters in the background image.
- If you click on a character, its Unicode is displayed with a link to the web page showing other kuzushiji examples with the same Unicode.
- Settings like transparency, display position, and size of characters can be changed to allow users select a display setting for their convenience.

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## Designating the reading order using the KuroNet Text Editor

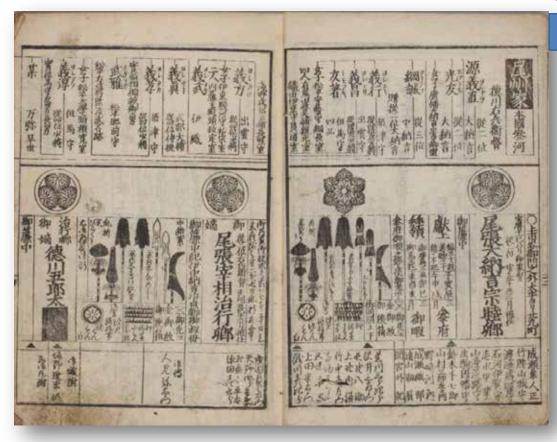


- 1. The character reading order for the result of KuroNet recognition can be automatically inferred or manually designated.
- 2. The sequence within and between lines can be manually designated using the KuroNet Text Editor.
- 3. The character reading order can also be made visible with the KuroNet Text Editor.
- 4. Functions specially required by a domainspecific application can be added to the IIIF Curation Viewer.

## Sophisticated Use of ICP

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#### Use in data structuring



Bukan Complete Collection http://codh.rois.ac.jp/bukan/

Adding metadata by selecting a partial region of an image has a wide range of applications.

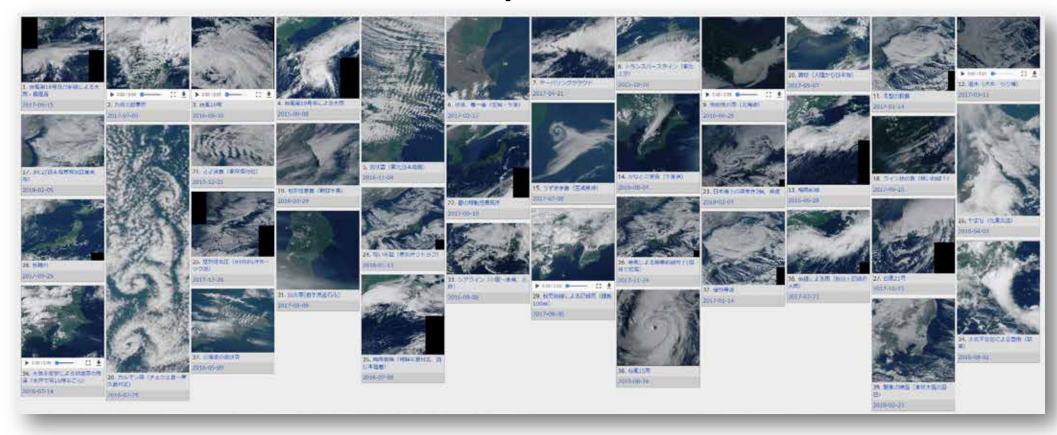


#### Building a digital archive using ICP



- Curation URLs are made into a list, and a program reads that out from JSONkeeper, and converts to a format suited to an external system.
- Building a digital archive with a help of the IIIF Curation Platform.

#### Creation of an online pictorial collection

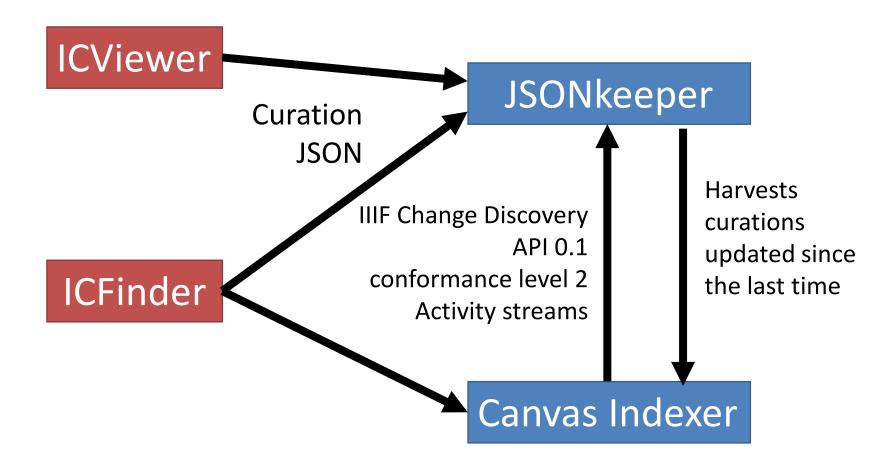


Digital Typhoon: Weather Satellite 'Himawari' Pictorial Collection http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/digital-typhoon/contribution/gallery/

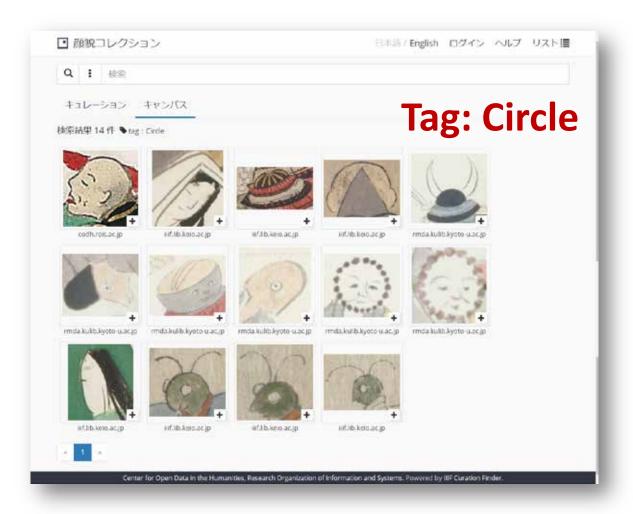
# 35 ★ ★ ★ ★ Linkage of JSONkeeper and Canvas Indexer

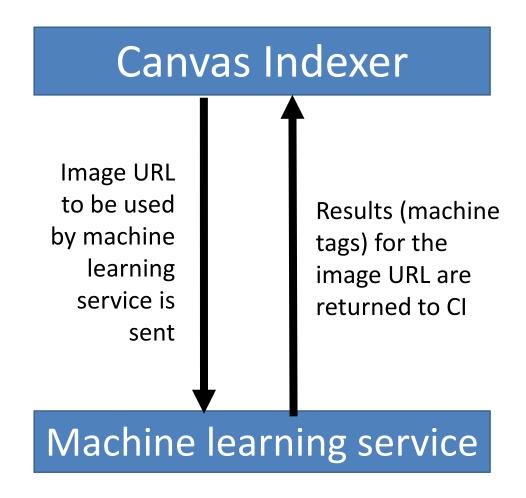
- JSONkeeper:

   Service for saving and delivering data in JSON format.
- Canvas Indexer:
   Service for crawling
   JSONkeeper data,
   breaking down into
   canvas units, and
   enabling searching.



#### Linkage of Canvas Indexer and machine learning





#### Curation search using Canvas Indexer

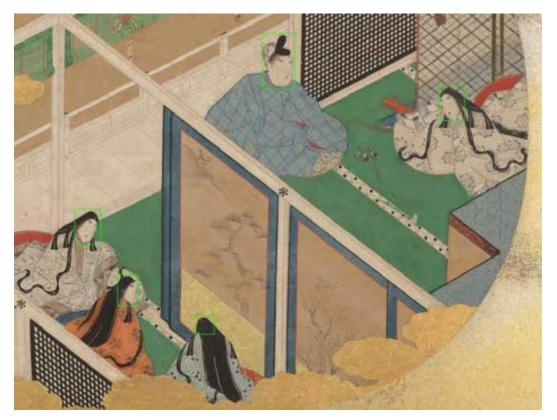


Collection of Facial Expressions http://codh.rois.ac.jp/face/iiif-curation-finder/

- A system for breaking down data gathered in curation units into canvas units, and rearranging in metadata units.
- We are planning to use it from other systems than the IIIF Curation Finder, e.g. Omeka S.

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#### Curation search using Curation Tracer



Curation Tracer http://codh.rois.ac.jp/curation/tracer/

- Regions used in curations can be visualized for each canvas or for each manifest.
- This enables analysis of which part of an image people focusing on.
- In the future, it may become the analytics for a region of interest?

### Conclusion

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#### Interoperability of IIIF

- 1. IIIF has rapidly spread throughout the world because it meets the common needs of image providers.
- 2. By delivering data in a common format (ensuring interoperability), IIIF has made it possible to access images all over the world using the same tools.
- 3. As various tools adopt IIIF as a premise, archives not supporting IIIF are seen as inconvenient.
- 4. There is heightened "fear of missing out."

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#### Unique features of the IIIF Curation Platform

- 1. It enables **users** to create and publish **original** image collections based on different themes.
- 2. It enables **users** to call and use **original** image services delivered from service providers other than the image provider.
- 3. It enables **users** to provide an overlay display of **original** annotation information.
- 4. As a platform supporting the entire workflow of users freely collecting, processing, and publishing images, ICP is playing a role in pioneering new uses of IIIF images.

IIIF Curation Platform Cultivating the Usage of Images in the Open World, Current Awareness, No. E2301, No.398, 2020.09.17, https://current.ndl.go.jp/e2301/

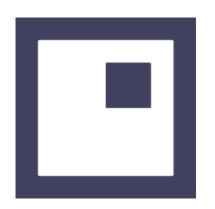
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