

Aktuárská věda vs. moderní data science - možné synergie a vzájemná inspirace

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Můj životní příběh a úhel pohledu



Matematické modelování



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Data science architekt a zakladatel

Parciální diferenciální rovnice

Numerika Fraktály MATLAB

Trojúhelníky Áčka Úmrtnost

Stochastické metody

ALM Interní modely

Prophet Simulace

Solvency II

Master data DWH

Reporting ETL Cross-sell/up.sell

CRM Fraud CLV

Strojové učení AI

Digital Cloud

Big data technologie

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3 roky

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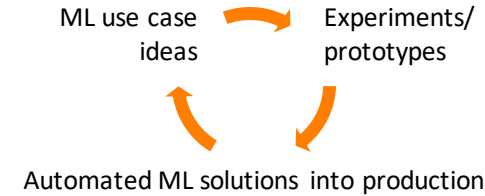
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How We Work

Data science
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(incl. NLP, image, graphs...)
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specialized on AI

Key Industry Focus



Financial Services



Retail/FMCG and ecommerce/digital

Key References



Main Solutions

Customer Engagement 360°

Combining digital and offline behavioral data
and machine learning to personalize the
customer experience

Fraud / AML / Risk

Using advanced methods such
as NLP and graph analytics to
identify anomalies, etc.

Contact center

Using NLP for automatic
routing of emails/request,
topic detection, etc.

Shelf Inspector

Computer-vision-based AI solution for
automatically analyzing the quality of
placement of my products in a store shelf

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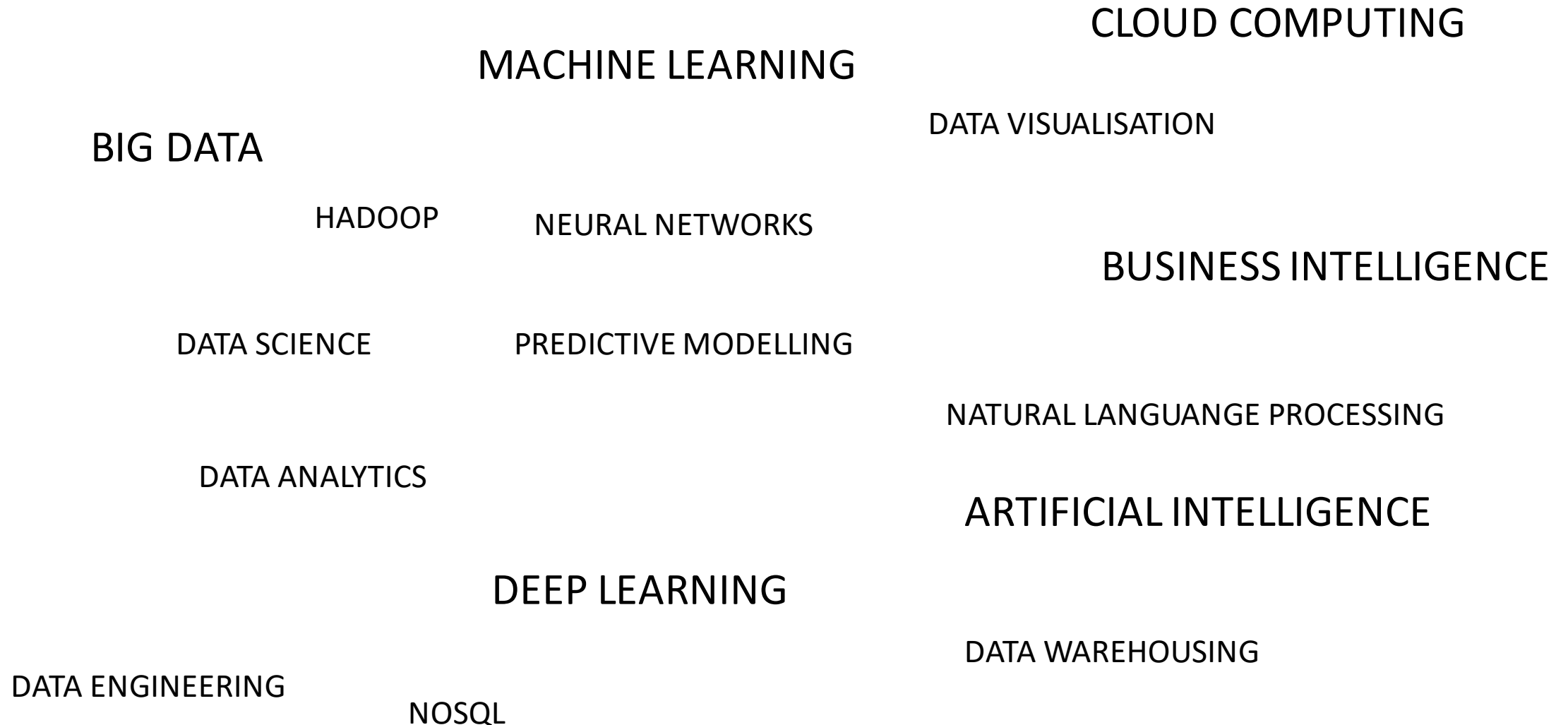
Infrastructure, Scalability and
Automation



- A Fully Open Data Platform for ML Use Cases in Production, Automation + CI/CD
- Best Practice Lambda Architecture Using Standard Cloud Components
- Deployed to Your Own Cloud Environment

0. Data science – co tím vlastně myslím

Data analytics hype-word ecosystem



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DATA SCIENCE DATA ANALYTICS

Improve something in your business by using a combination of data + data analytics method (with more or less mathematics) + data technology

DATA ANALYTICS USE CASE

What business problem we want to tackle (improve success rates of follow-up calls, improve efficiency of marketing spend, ...) + input data + methods used + outputs + how exactly will the outputs be used (ideally automatically – e.g. call centre agents will be calling the clients with the highest score first)

Mathematics light -> Business intelligence

Mathematics heavy -> Data science

DATA ANALYTICS METHOD

BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

DATA VISUALISATION

MACHINE LEARNING

NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

DASHBOARDING/REPORTING/KPIs

PREDICTIVE MODELLING

NEURAL NETWORKS

DEEP LEARNING

DATA TECHNOLOGY

DATA WAREHOUSING

DATA ENGINEERING

BI TOOLS

BIG DATA

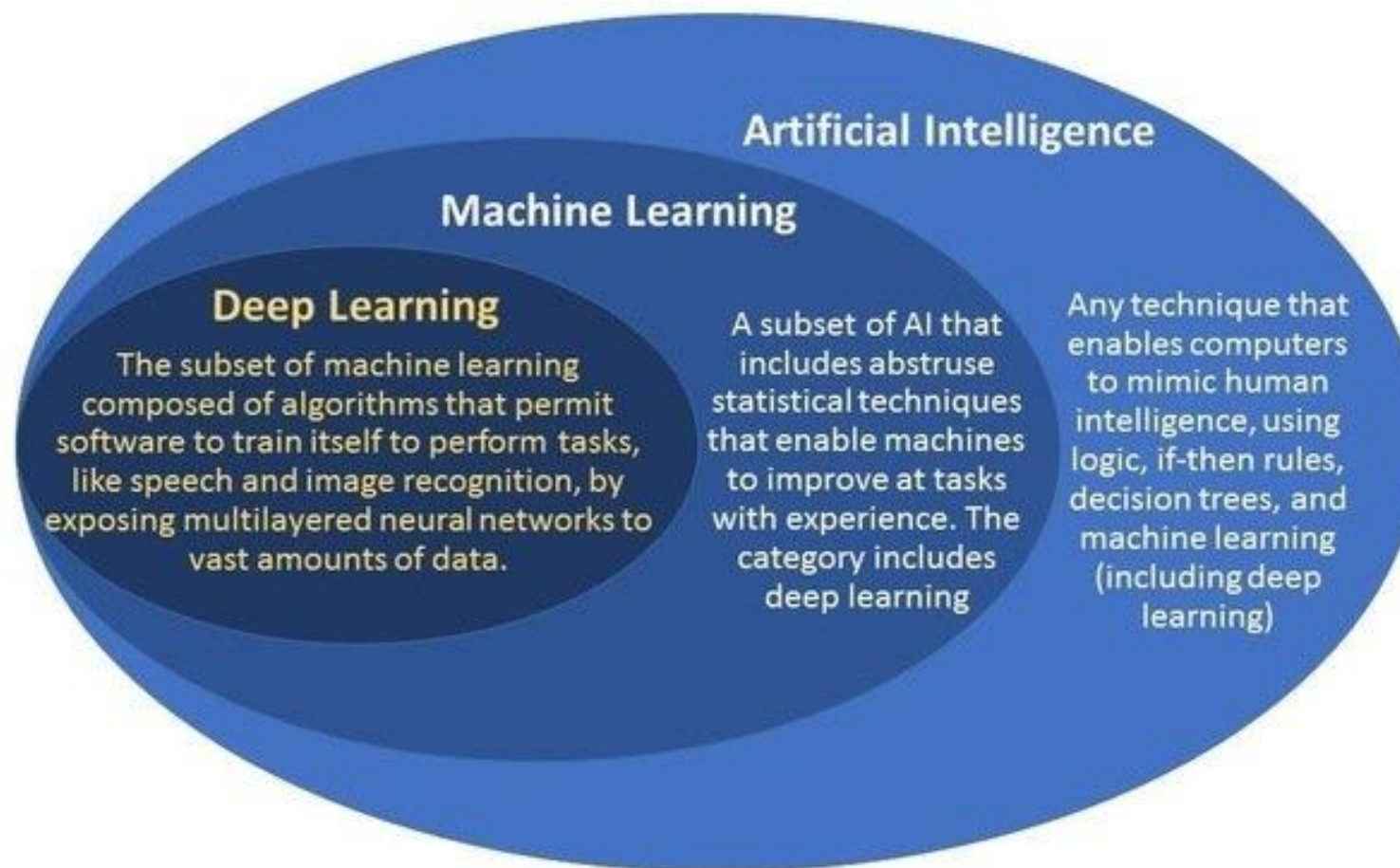
HADOOP

NOSQL

CLOUD COMPUTING

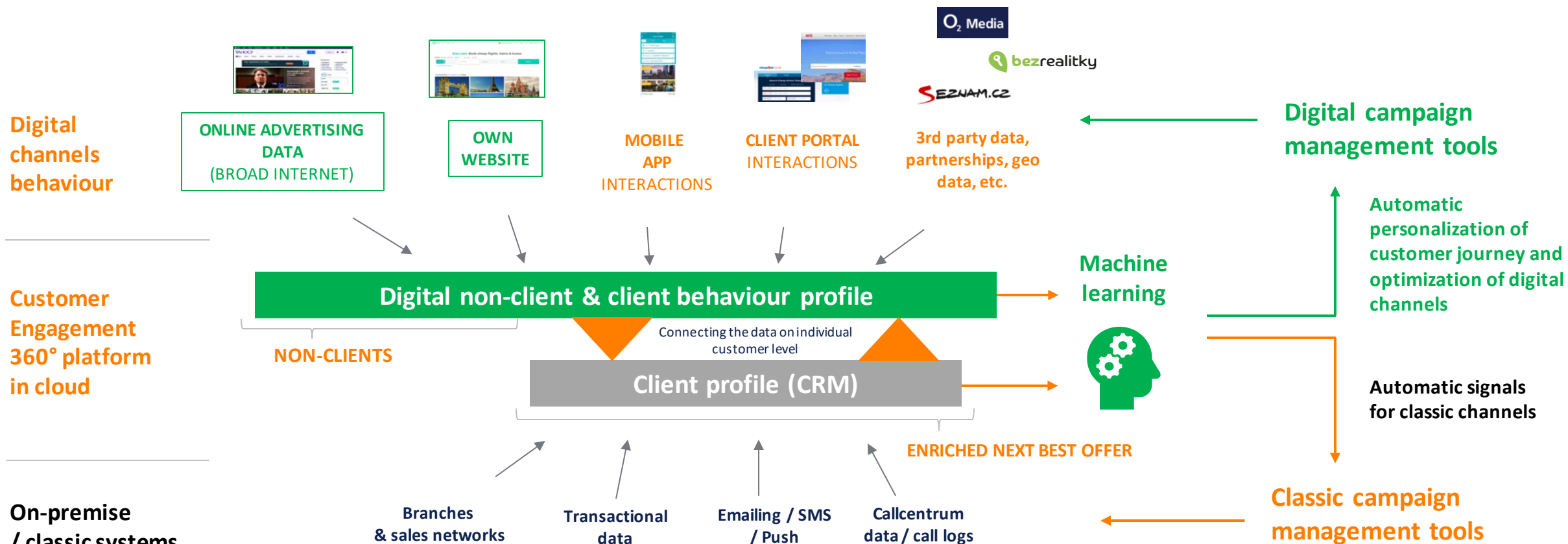
DATA SCIENCE TOOLS

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Display ad purchasing optimization

Get more leads (serious interest in product) from RTB campaigns with the same budget (or the same amount of leads for less)



Display ad purchasing pipeline

- 1) Download data from ad system every day – currently working with 1,5 billion impressions
- 2) We see what person (anonymous but individual) visited, which sites / what articles he read, etc.:

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-9213710615765419756	https://www.lide.cz/ https://www.lide.cz/ https://www.lide.cz/
-9201554805977552101	https://www.novinky.cz/komentare/490653-komentar-milos-zeman-je-pry-arjlec-jiri-pehe.html https://www.csfd.cz/film/297835-un-mari-de-trop/prehled/ https://www.csfd.cz/tvurce/2009-alain-delon/ https://www.csfd.cz/film/32506-zlocin/prehled/ https://www.csfd.cz/film/24978-stir/gale https://www.csfd.cz/film/32492-v-plnem-slunci/prehled/ r2b2.cz https://www.csfd.cz/tvurce/2008-jean-paul-belmondo/ https://www.csfd.cz/tvurce/2009-alain-delon/ r2b2.cz https://technet.idnes.cz/ https://www.csfd.cz/televize https://www.csfd.cz/film/32561-druhy-dech/prehled/ https://www.csfd.cz/film/159899-utajeny/prehled/ https://www.csfd.cz/film/32563-doterny-chlap/prehled/ https://www.csfd.cz/ r2b2.cz https://b.cplex.cz/01 r2b2.cz
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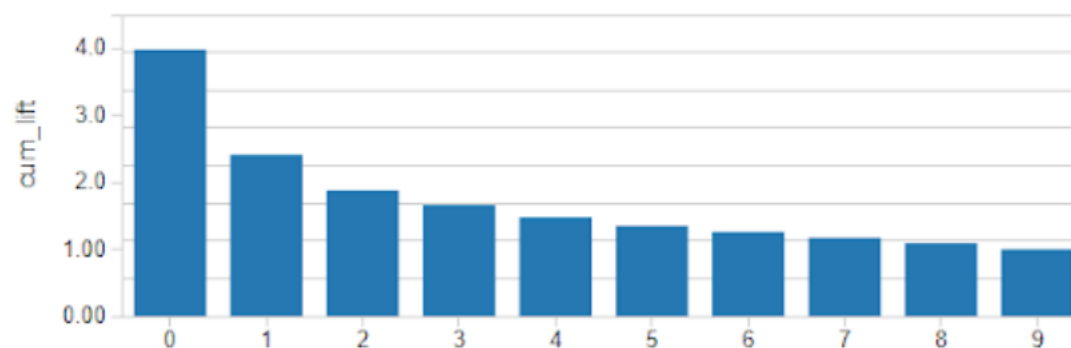
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- 3) For each person we identify interests/topics based

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-8718405020472090768	▶ ["idnes", "revue", "spolecnost", "petr", "vancura", "jan", "cina", "jsou", "par", "lidicky"]

4) Predictive model correlating desired behaviour (serious interest in product on website) with broad internet behaviour and interests/topics – using NLP methods (TF-IDF, LDA, word2vec, supervised learning)

List of cookies IDs (audience) with high probability of interest in product
Top 10% of people based on model have a 4x serious interest in product



5) Predictive model to rate quality of ad space (visibility time, visibility quality, robots, ...)

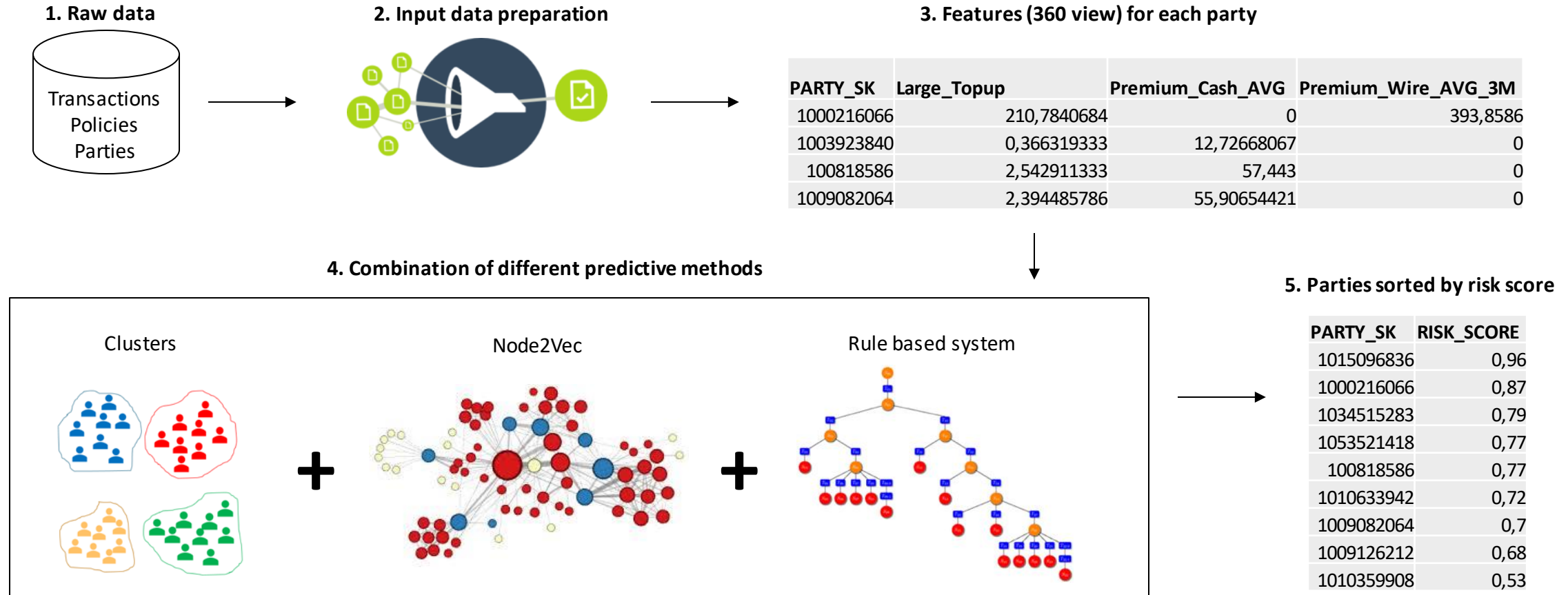
Whitelist of domain with coefficients describing quality

6) Campaigns automatically defined in display ad system every day = audience (who to target) + domain whitelist (where)

Actual A/B test results very close to theoretical model lift

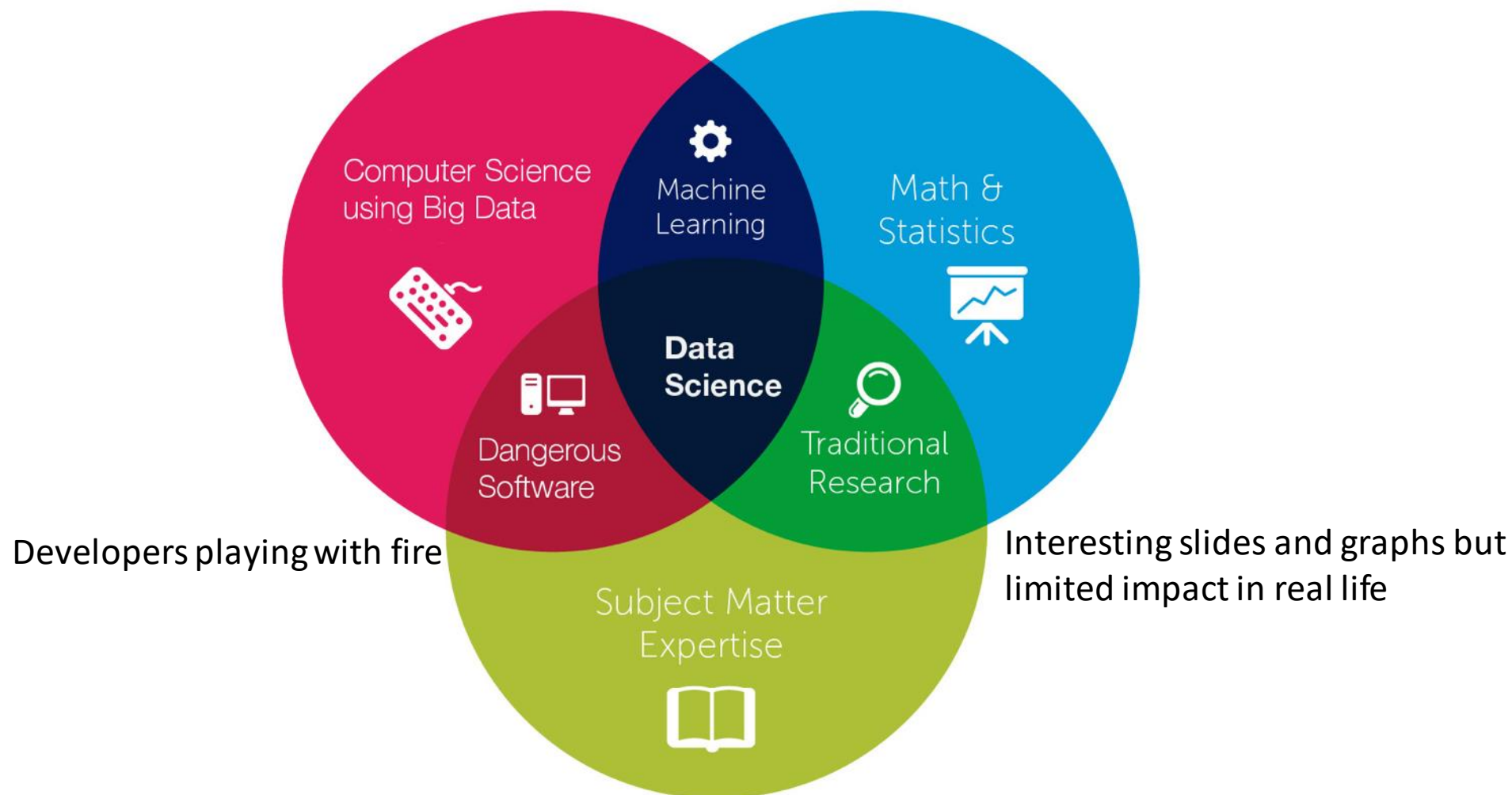
Fraud/AML checker

Typical traditional fraud and AML solutions are based on expert rules and are difficult to tweak/maintain (react to changes in fraudster behavior, etc.) and do not scale well in case of increase complexity. Our solution enriches the traditional rule based approach by combining it with machine learning based algorithms (anomaly detection using clustering and graph methods + auto-weighting of rules) and thus giving a more reliable and accurate engine for detecting suspicious cases. All of this is powered by Spark making it easily scalable.



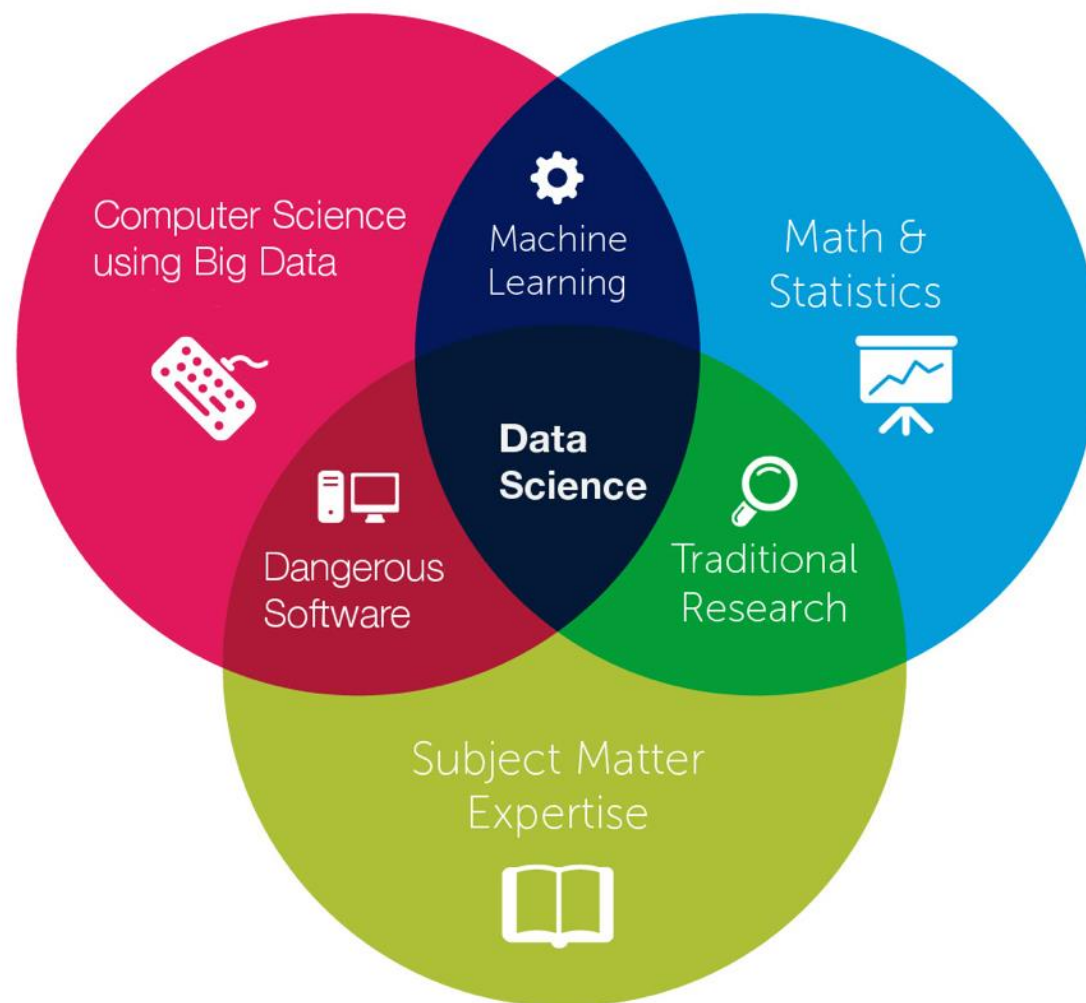
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Tech demos with limited real impact



Aktuárská věda x data science?

- Profese s dlouhou historií – „původní data scientisti v pojišťovnách“
- Když vznikala, tak Computer Science a Big Data ještě neexistovaly
- Když vznikala, tak hlavní datové problémy v pojišťovnách byly kolem rezerv a pricingu – jiné věci pomocí dat moc nešly řešit (obchod, marketing, fraud, likvidace, ...)
- Toto zaměření ale do velké míry přetrvalo
- Proto se profese data science a aktuárů začaly oddělovat / vzdalovat



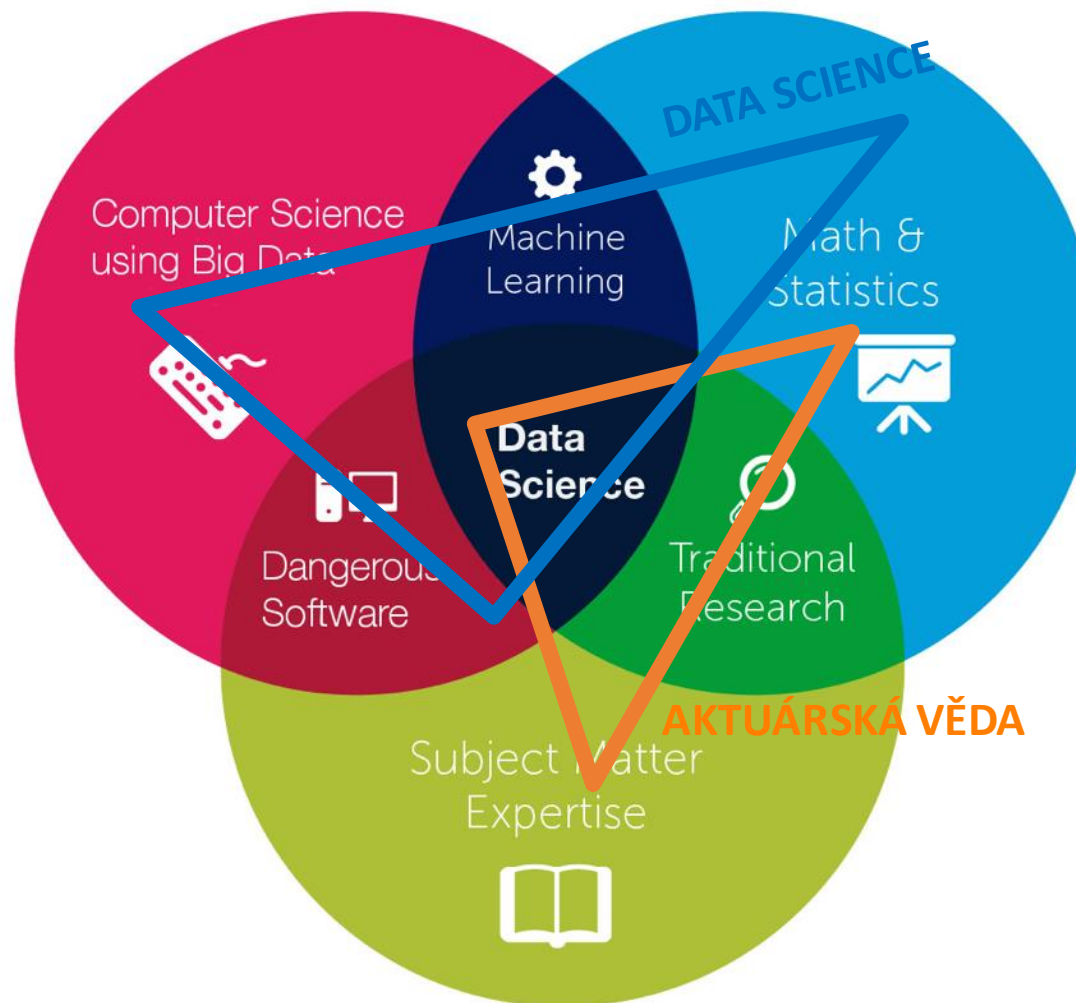
Aktuárská věda x data science?

Věřím, že se aktuáři mohou v některých věcech inspirovat

Aktuárská věda zde často nedává velký důraz

Omezení plynoucí z typických technologií v aktuárské oblasti

Velká závislost a těžká spolupráce s IT – manuální procesy, nekvalitní data, vzájemné nepochopení a frustrace...



Je hodně moderních matematických metod, které jsou nyní dostupné díky technologiím (pokročilejší modely, neuronky, ...) – aktuárská věda na ně nedává velký důraz

Nové metody z oblastí strojového učení a AI pronikají do aktuárské vědy velmi pomalu – tradiční metody jsou málo kdy vyzývané

V rámci pojišťoven je hodně data-driven procesů, na které aktuárská věda nedává velký důraz (obchod, marketing, likvidace, fraud, ...)

Zajetí regulatorních problémů a fakt, že aktuárská práce a výstupy nemají vždy takový dopad na život firmy a užitek, jaký by mohly

Pravděpodobností modelování dlouhodobého cash-flow

CLV model – Mana



- Performance of acq. cohorts in months
- **Consumption approach with no cancelation**

Akt. tydeni spotreba	Hodnota	Leden	Unor	Brezen	Duben	Kveten	Cerven	Cervenec	Srpen	Zari	Rijen	Listopad	Prosinec
do 1	0,5	0	36	62	83	99	113	125	136	145	153	160	167
do 2	1,5	0	25	50	75	100	124	147	168	188	206	223	238
do 4	3	0	43	88	126	156	177	191	199	204	205	204	202
do 10	7	0	194	277	305	307	297	283	268	253	240	229	218
nad 10	12	1000	703	523	411	338	289	255	229	211	196	184	175

Inputs:

- Relevant segmentation rule
- Relevant timeframe
- Product (SKU) transitions
- Margin
- ...

	X12d	X35p	X24.96d	X70p	X108d	X140p
12d	27.7%	34.2%	25.6%	7.6%	2.3%	2.6%
35p	4.7%	70.6%	9.2%	7.4%	5.3%	2.8%
24-96d	2.9%	2.9%	54.9%	30.8%	0.1%	8.4%
70p	1.9%	3%	13.8%	67.1%	0.3%	13.9%
108d	2.8%	11.5%	2.4%	3.6%	72.6%	7.1%
140p	1.5%	1.8%	5.9%	11%	1.2%	78.6%

Pravděpodobností modelování dlouhodobého cash-flow

Koncept předpokladů – kombinace historických dat a expertního úsudku, backtesting

Koncept best estimate / očekávané hodnoty a distribuce výsledků / kapitálu – scénáře, jejich pravděpodobnosti, riziko

Možná inspirace pro aktuáry

Moderní data science přístup a způsob práce

0. Data science: co tím vlastně myslím

1. Přístup: agilita a proces standardizace

Od explorace problému, přes prototyp k udržitelnému produkčnímu řešení

2. Tým: struktura data science týmu

Nastavení role vůči IT, jak dosáhnout větší nezávislosti a spolehlivosti

3. Technologie: jak mohou pomoci

Open source, big data, cloud, vizualizace, continuous integration, ...

4. Data science metody: využití v aktuárských problémech

Prediktivní modely, clustering, analýza textu, ...

Shift in data science happening...

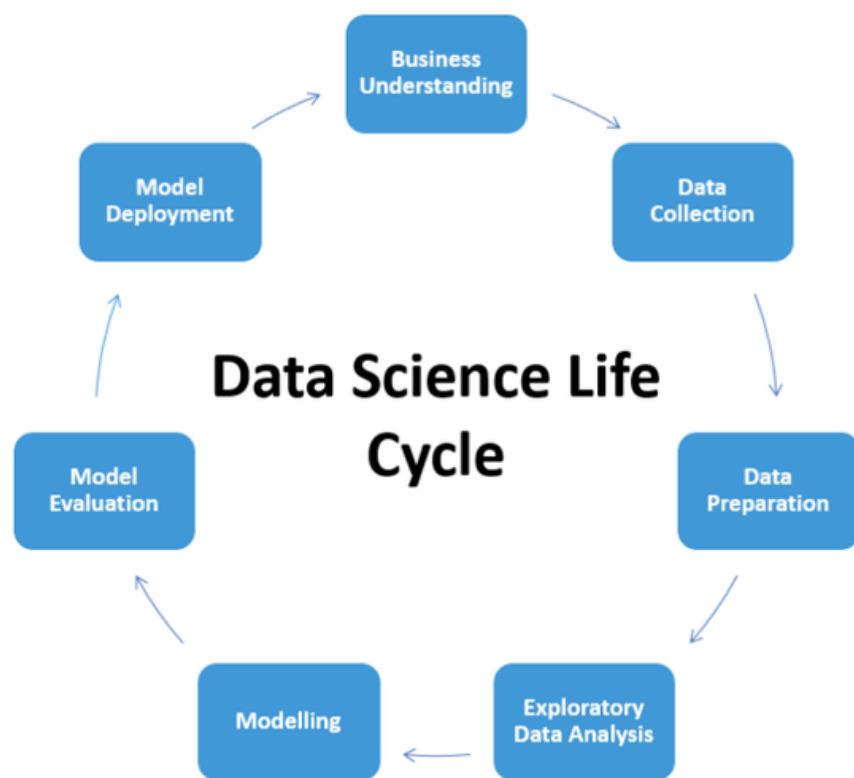


	Oldschool data analytics	Modern data science
Approach	Large projects with uncertain business value Black-box solutions Ends with a presentation and dashboards	Agile experimentation , fail fast, exploration Focus on owning the know-how, gradual improvement Automated data solution in production
Team	Siloes teams across business, IT, data mining Don't talk to each other, difficult coordination	Small cross-functional teams – data strike team concept
Data	100MBs, Manual extracts Mostly internal Monthly calculations	GBs – TBs, Automated data pipelines Internal and external/online Real-time / daily
Methods	Business intelligence Basic predictive analytics	Automated decision-making Advanced machine learning
Tools	Proprietary and closed Expensive Siloed	<u>Open-source based</u> Inexpensive Integrations first
Infrastructure	On-premises – in-flexible and expensive On your notebook – difficult collaboration Large servers – limited/expensive	<u>In the cloud – scaleable and cost-efficient</u> Notebook as a terminal Distributed computing – scaleable/cheaper

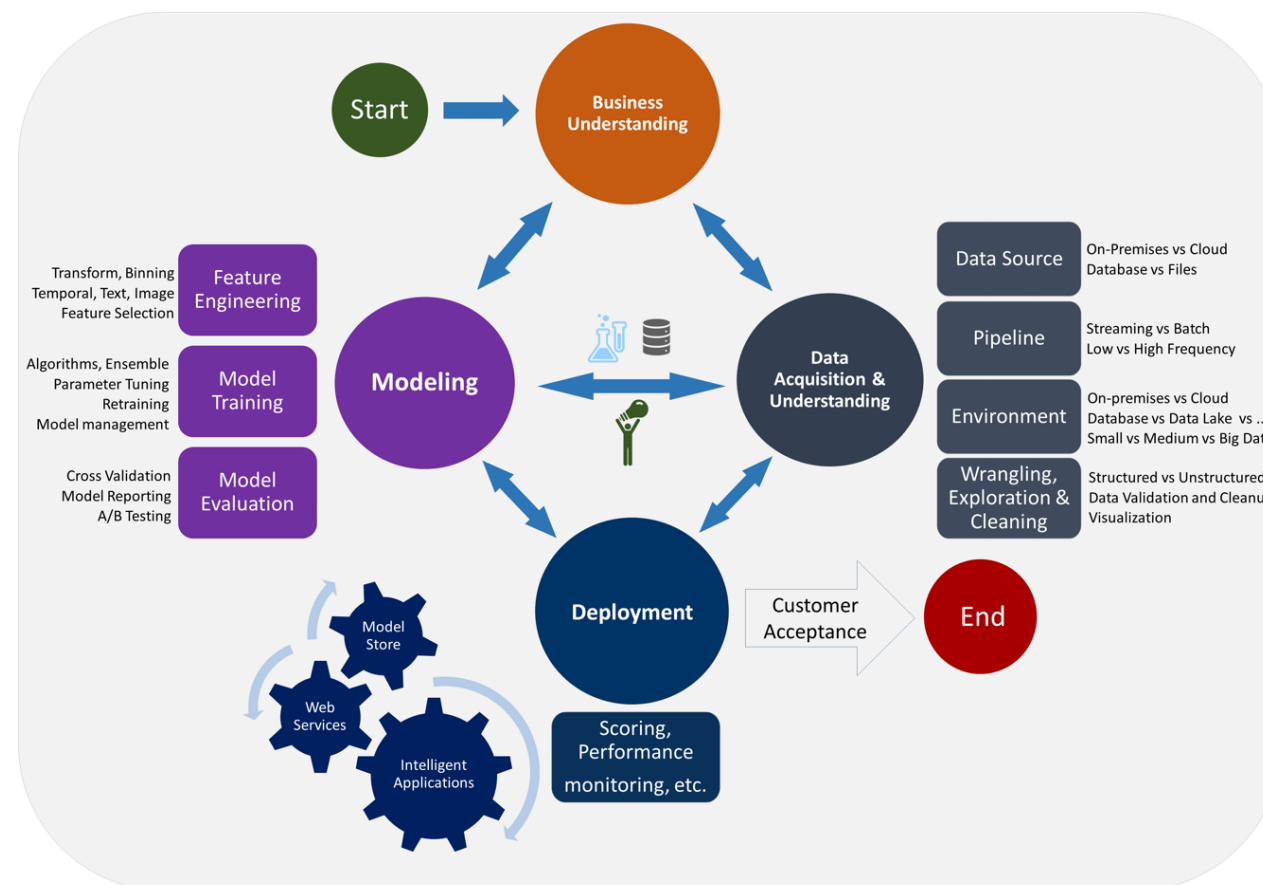
1. Přístup: agilita a proces standardizace

Data science process

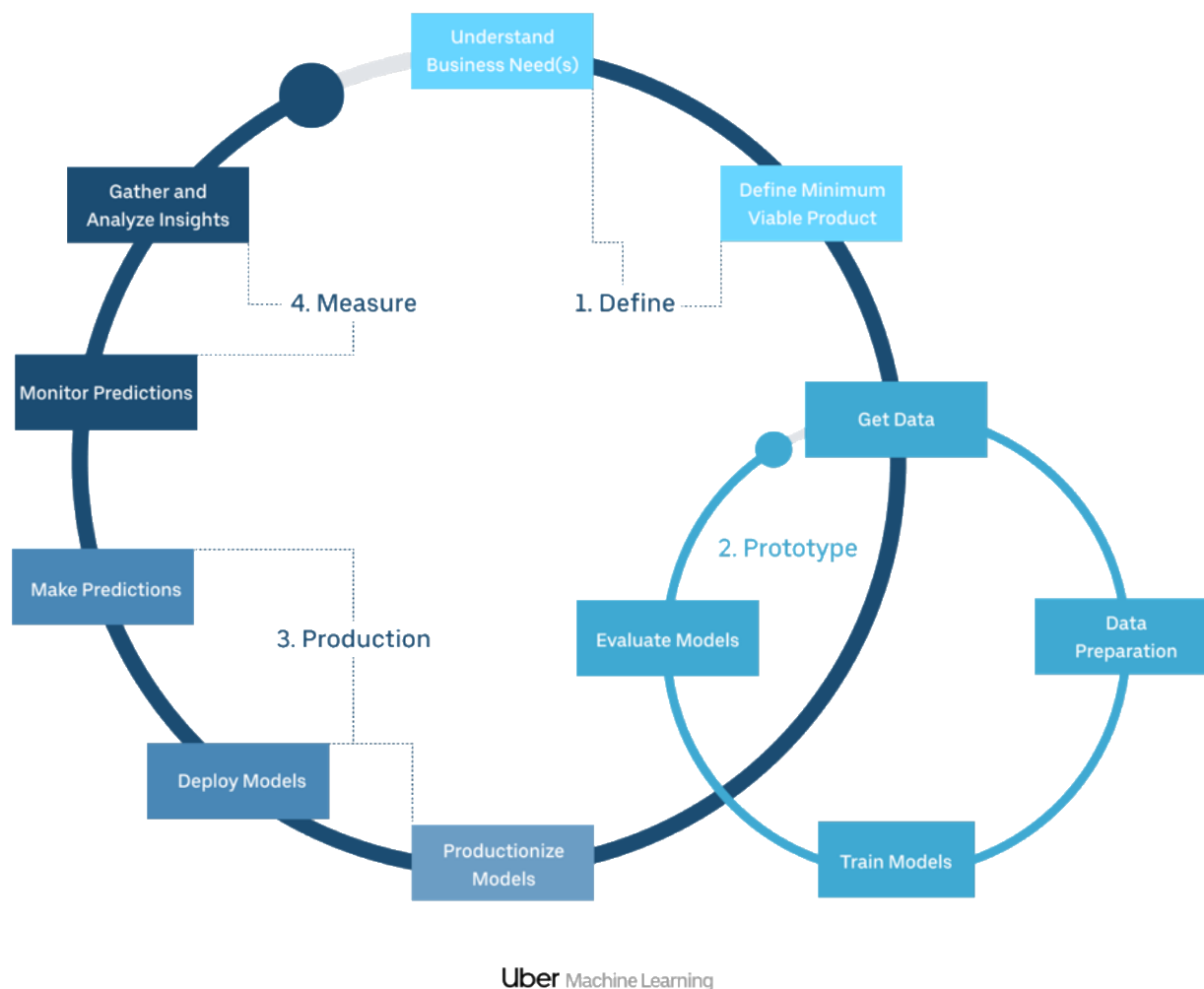
Textbook approach = linear



Reality = back and forth



Data science best practice process – agile/iterative



Example (1 month iterations):

Iteration 1: Pilot / PoC / Prototype / Experiment

Iteration 2: MVP (Minimum viable product) in light automation mode

Iteration 3: Key improvements to algorithm based on feedback from live runs

Iteration 4: Productionalization

Iteration 5: More advanced improvements

Data science best practice process – agile/iterative

Iteration 1 Prototype	Iteration 2 MVP	Iteration 3 Version 2.0	Iteration 4 Robust	Iteration 5 Version 2.5
Ad purchasing – test if url history predicts click using simple linear regression model	Simple automation – download data, score model predictions, send top 20% to ad system	Clicks are not a good target -> use offline purchase data as new target for model	Standardize code, implement logging and model performance monitoring, ...	Improve model performance by using model advanced model (xgboost)
Backlog: • identify topics from urls • download actual pages and analyze content • detect sex and age from type of content • ...			Benefits: • At the start I only needed to invest into Iteration 1 • Already from point 2 I am getting business value • I didn't know what the most important thing for iteration 3 to improve will be at the start • I didn't know if the invest into Iteration 4 makes sense	

Balance of business/algorithm vs. technical effort

In 1st step (DEFINE & PROTOTYPE)

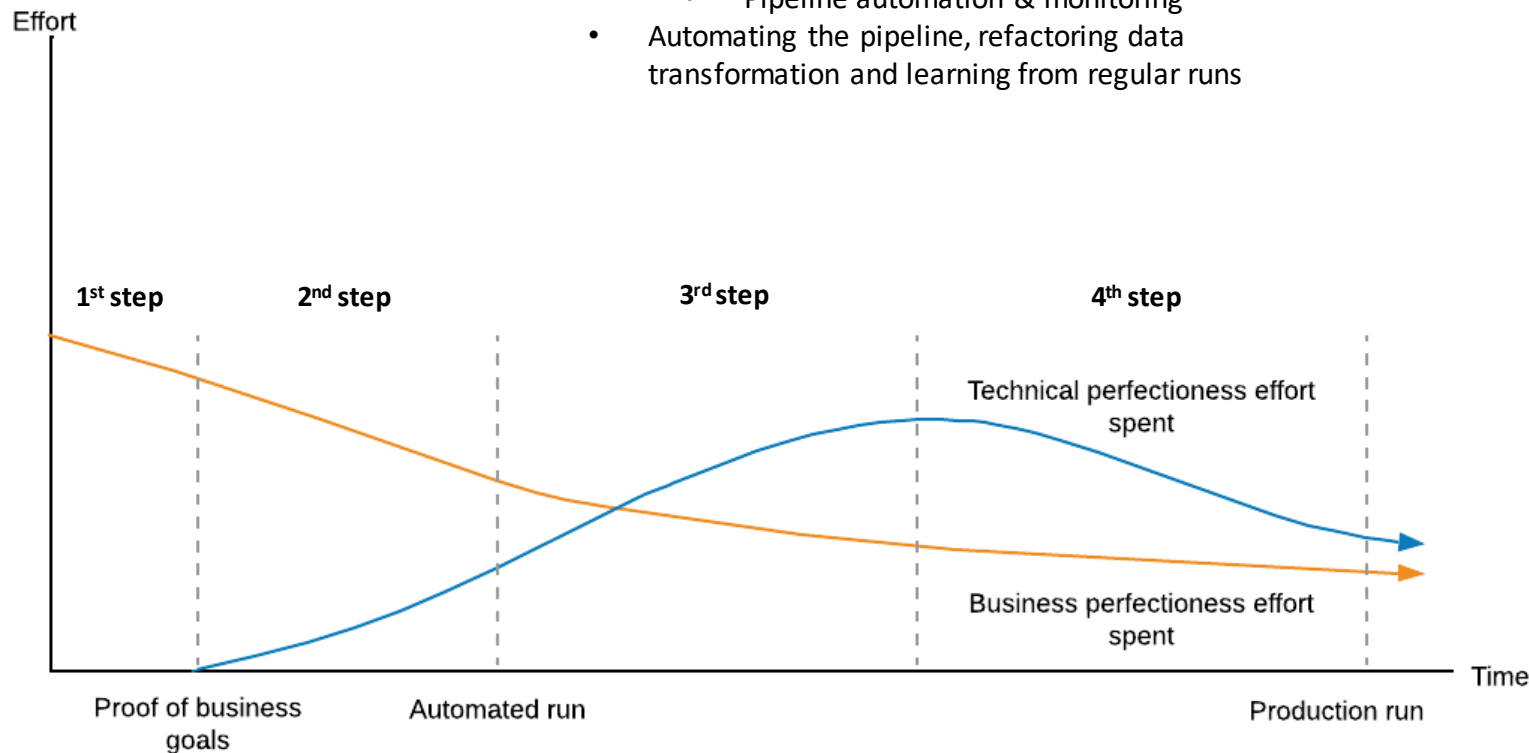
- Meeting business goals
- Gathering data
- Basic environment setup

In 2nd step (LIGHT-AUTOMATION)

- Setting up automation tools and minimalistic governance based on our best practise (MVP)
 - Data lake & Databricks automation
 - Security
 - Pipeline automation & monitoring
- Automating the pipeline, refactoring data transformation and learning from regular runs

In 3rd step (IMPROVING BUSINESS OUTCOME)

- Automating the pipeline based on learnings from regular runs
- Customizing/Improving the governance & toolset based on actual priorities
- Creating a backlog for further development

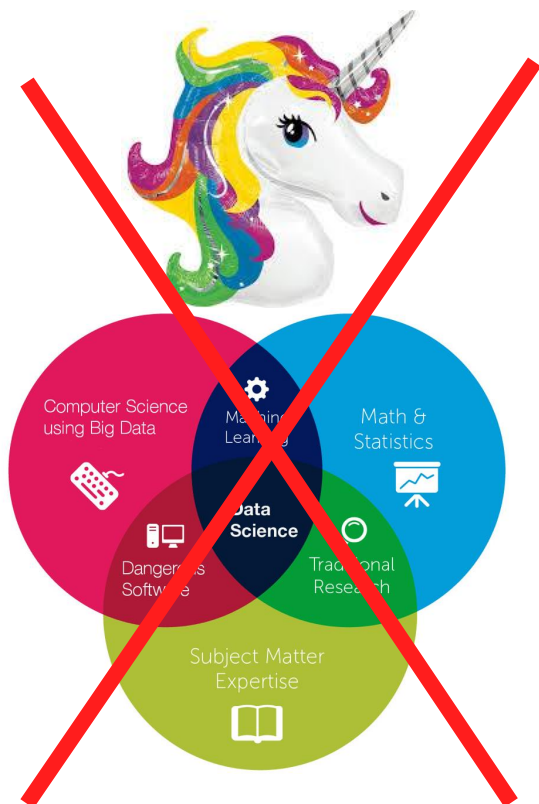


In 4th step (PRODUCTION)

- Stabilizing business outcomes
- Agreeing on minimal production run requirements and meeting them
 - Security/privacy
 - Operation/Documentation
- Issuing/Improving standards for similar use cases
 - Including scaling up in terms of pipelines and business criticality
- Setting up basic operation process

2. Tým: struktura data science týmu

Rozbití mýtů – ideální data scientist



Ideální data scientist:

- Je geniální matematik
- Umí perfektně programovat a zná všechny nejnovější technologie
- Chápe do detailu byznysové fungování firmy
- Umí výborně komunikovat a prezentovat

NEEXISTUJE! (prakticky)

Rozbití mýtů – tradiční struktura

Příklad situace: *Digitální kampaň mířící na potenciální klienty podobní současným klientům s vysokou hodnotou*



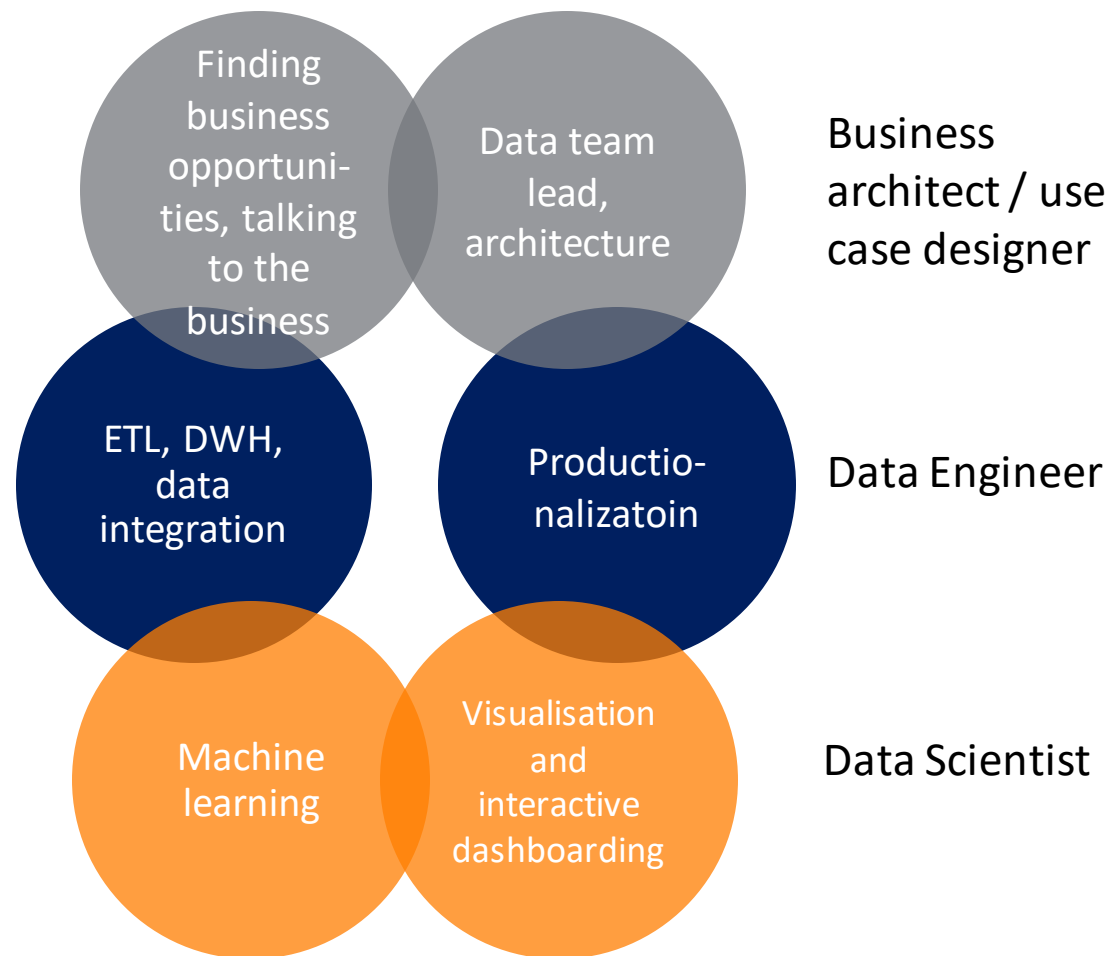
Ve firmě existují experti, kteří by to byli schopní udělat

Málokdy se jim to podaří, protože každý podléhá jiným šéfům s jinými KPI a budgety - **sila**

Když po sobě něco chtějí musí si předem dát jasné zadání, obhájit byznys case, sehnat budget -> to se vyplatí jen u velkých projektů s jistým výsledkem

Takto ale nejde dělat agilní experimenty s nejistým postupem a výsledkem

Co s tím? Data Strike Team koncept



Kombinovaný (cross-funkční) tým

- Nemusí být unicorn – lze pokrýt týmem
- Všechny klíčové kompetence v jednom týmu – sedí vedle sebe a konstantě kolaborují
- Takovýto tým může většinu témat posouvat vpřed nezávisle na součinnosti s jinými týmy (kapacity IT/DWH, ...)

Klíčový je vztah k IT/DWH/data týmu

- Centrální IT tým pouze poskytuje platformu (sadu technologií a workflow) a definuje mantinely
- Implementaci samotného obsahu (konkrétní use case, projekt, model) už si ale zajišťuje data science tým sám, protože má silné technické kompetence
- Centrální tým jen pomáhá s komplexní produkcionalizací/standardizací a podporuje přepoužitelnost napříč týmy

3. Technologie: jak mohou pomoci

Na jakých technologických konceptech stavět agilní data science

Uživatelské rozhraní

1. Open-source datové platformy



2. Kolaborativní prostředí pro data science exploraci a prototypování



3. Vizualizace dat



Infrastruktura na pozadí

4. Data lake přístup a paralelizace



5. Cloud a PaaS



Přístup a podpůrné nástroje

6. Data engineering a automatizace



7. Verzování a CI/CD



1. Advantages of open-source data science tools

Traditional tools in actuarial space



Great for fast and simple things
Crazy for more complex and production things



More powerful analytics
Not so cheap, not open, limitations in algorithms, data integration, ...

Specialized tools

Prophet
TW Radar
Remetrica

Closed / black box
Not that easy to integrate or scale

Open-source tools

- They are free
- Full-fledged programming languages – ideal for automation, data integration and more complex logic/algorithms
- The system is open – you can see exactly what's going on and modify it if needed
- Fast new development – the community is constantly developing new algorithms and methods for you to use – there is a library for everything
- It is more popular (easier to hire) – students at school use it, etc.
- It's code – much easier to version control, collaborate on, continuously integrate/deploy
- Cloud friendly, easier to scale
- You look much more cool!



2. TYPICAL COLLABORATIVE DATA SCIENCE ENVIRONMENT – e.g. Databricks

**No infrastructure maintenance
(managing clusters)**

GET STARTED IN SECONDS
Single click to launch your new
R/Python/Spark environment

Automatically manage clusters in the
background

TEAM COLLABORATION

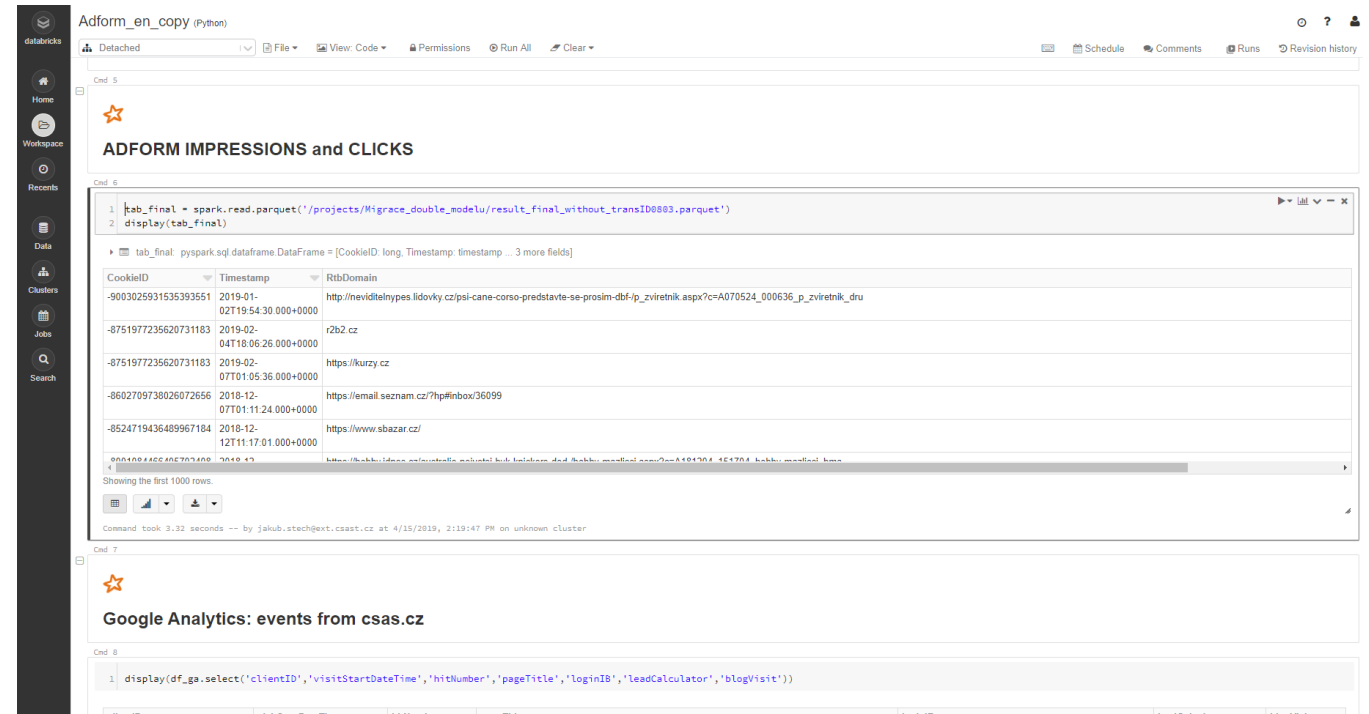
Projects, common data, work on the same
notebook in real-time while tracking
changes with detailed revision history

INTERACTIVE EXPLORATION

Explore data using interactive notebooks
with support for multiple programming
languages including R, Python, Scala, and
SQL

Deploy Production Jobs & Workflows

Execute jobs for production pipelines on a specific
schedule, ...



Adform_en_copy (Python)

Detached File View: Code Permissions Run All Clear

Schedule Comments Runs Revision History

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ADFORM IMPRESSIONS and CLICKS

Cell 6

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1 tab_final = spark.read.parquet('/projects/Migrate_double_modelu/result_final_without_transID8883.parquet')
2 display(tab_final)
```

tab_final: pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame = [CookieID: long, Timestamp: timestamp ... 3 more fields]

CookieID	Timestamp	RtbDomain
-9003025931535393551	2019-01-02T19:54:30.000+0000	http://neviditelnyes.lidovsky.cz/psi-cane-corso-predstavte-se-prosim-dbf-ip_zviretnik.aspx?c=A070524_000636_p_zviretnik_dru
-8751977235620731183	2019-02-04T18:06:26.000+0000	r2b2.cz
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Google Analytics: events from csas.cz

Cell 8

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1 display(df_ga.select('clientId', 'visitStartDateTime', 'hitNumber', 'pageTitle', 'loginID', 'leadCalculator', 'blogVisit'))
```

3. Using modern visualization tools

- Traditional tools do not offer any dynamic and interactive visualization platform:

Interactive:

If I want to explore just some data / filter them (time window, just one product, just some age etc.), I just click a button and everything is recalculated and redrawn.

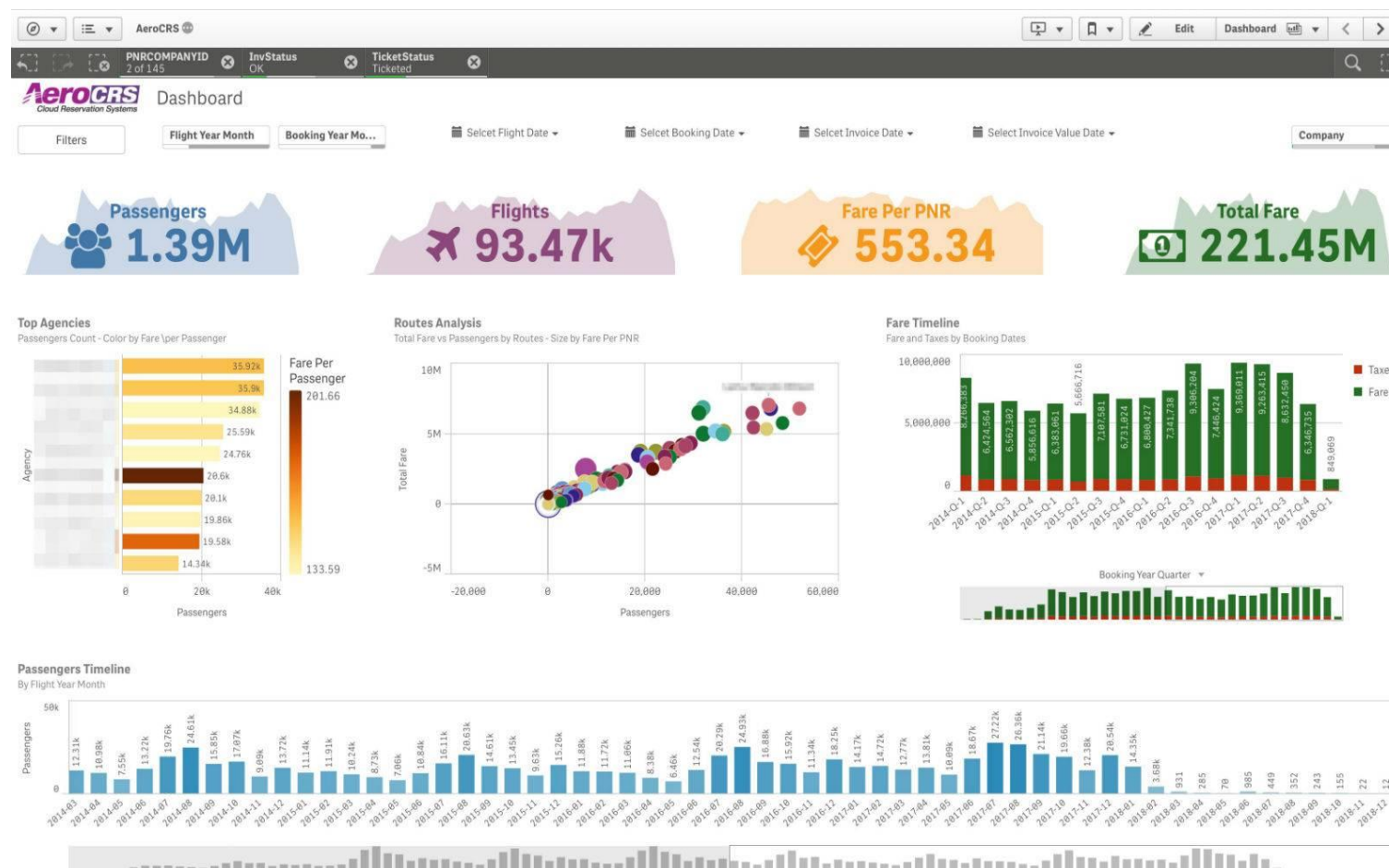
Dynamic (some of them):

Visualiziton of the data is live.

Easy to use:

Predefined charts, nice user interface, no need to write any code.

Can handle quite big data, can run in cloud.



4. Data lake approach

Classical way – ETL + DWH:

- Load all data into a database – first step of standardization
- Normalize the data - dimensional data models, etc. – high quality data but slow process and not friendly to changes
- A central team prepares data for business users / limited sandbox capability
- Access to raw data only for selected few
- Enterprise data warehouse – need for always-on expensive infrastructure
- SQL as main language

...



Flat-file approach - more friendly for data science

Ingest new data much faster

Have the full granularity of data -> do your own preparation

Data lake centric approach:

- Just store the data as it is in files (csv, txt, json, ...) – storage is cheap
- Perform basic standardization (schema, etc.) using for example Parquet or Avro file formats
- Send only selected data in DWH/database
- Give access to the data to all
- Separation of compute and storage
- Distributed computing -> scalability but also complexity
- Wider use of languages – R, Python, Spark, Java, ...

Storage



Compute



Real-time streaming

- Special set of tools for real-time
- Ingestion and processing

...



Orchestration

- Scheduling
- Monitoring
- Right order



Downloading external/online data

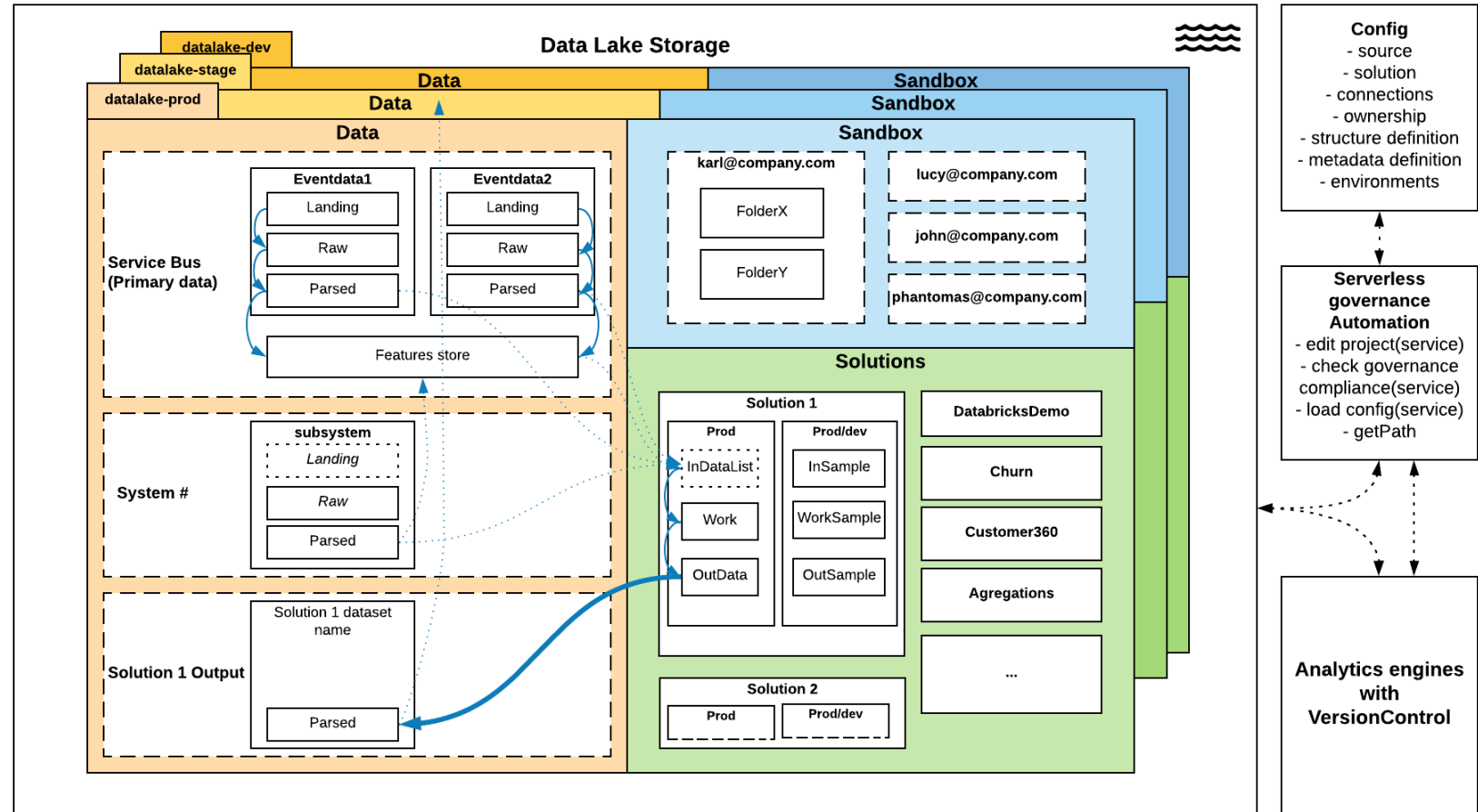
- Calling APIs
- Downloading files
- ...



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Data Lake structure

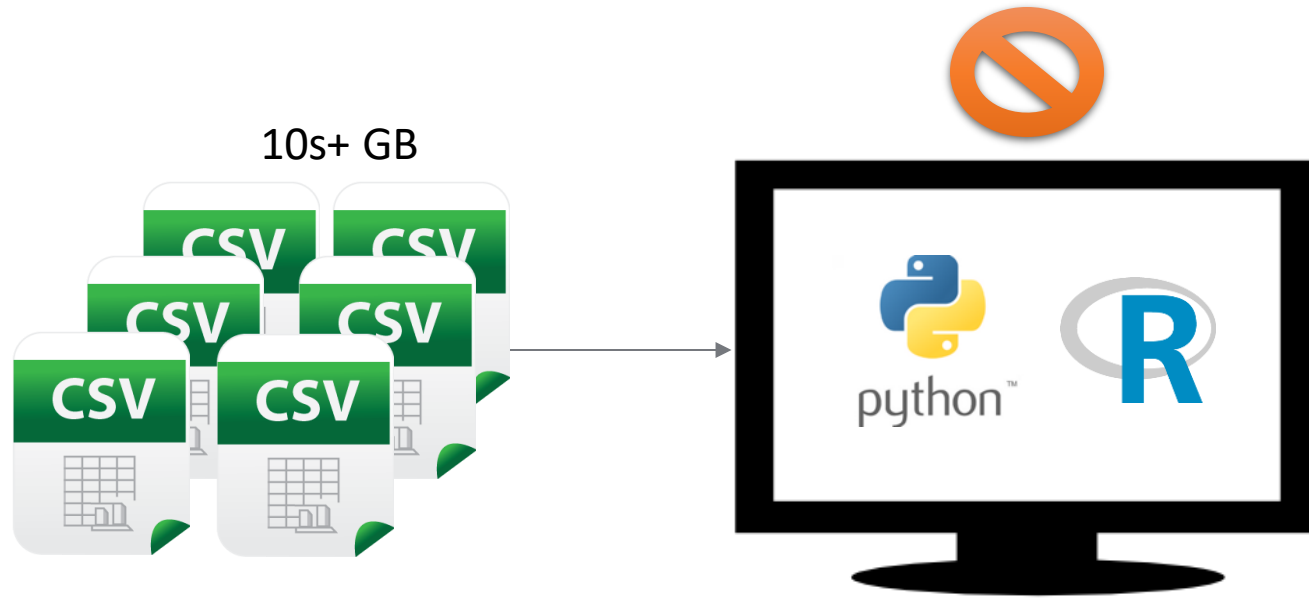
- Automatically generated and checked data structure
- Automated CI/CD
- Config library
- Versioning



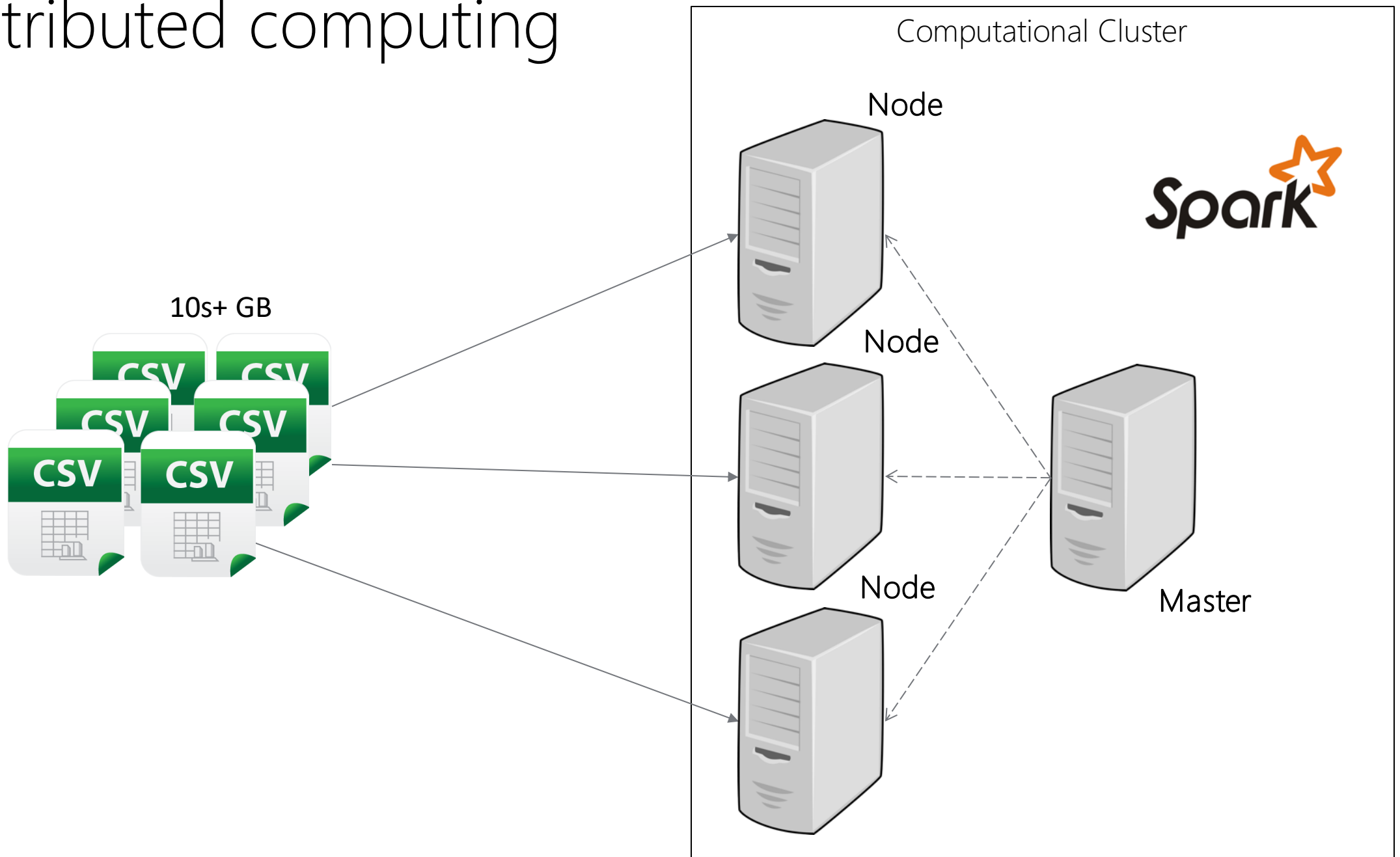
Non-Distributed computing



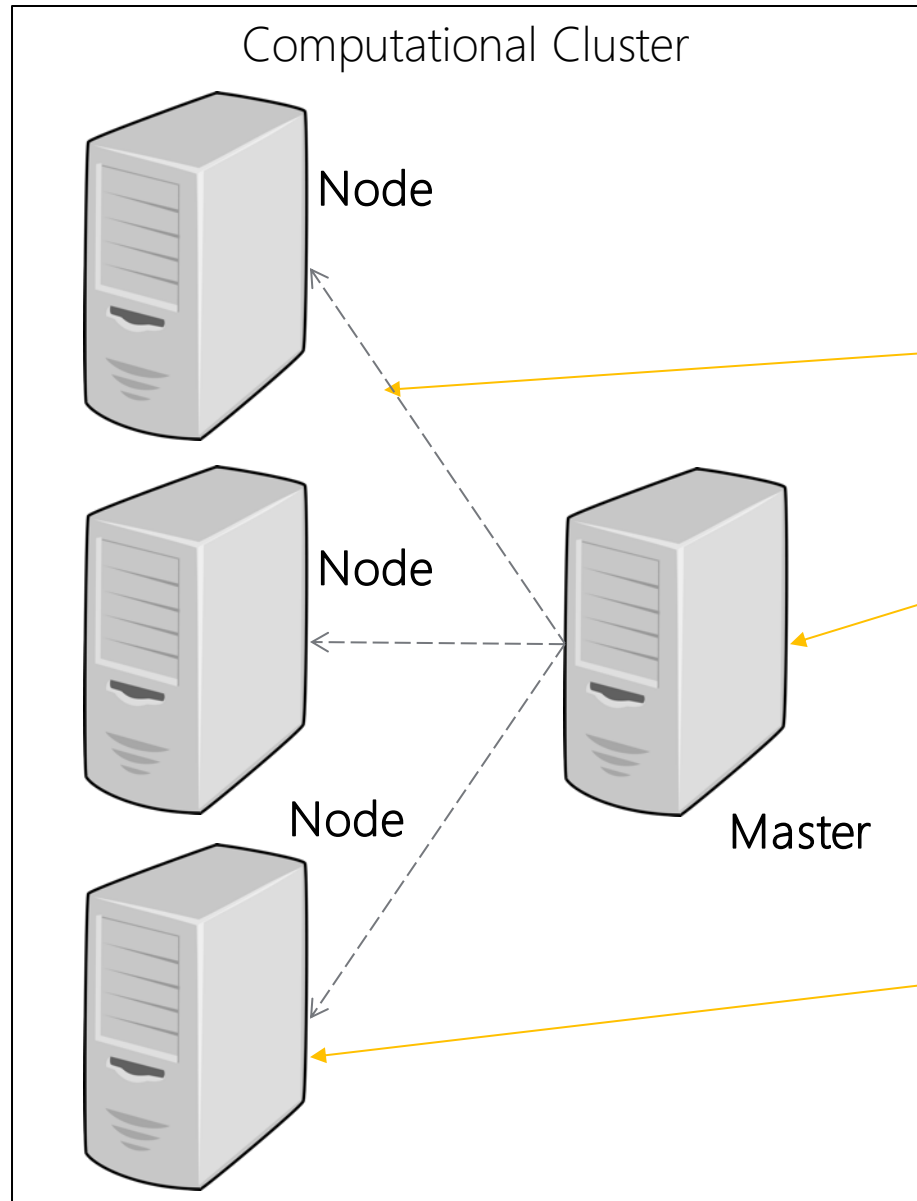
Non-Distributed computing



Distributed computing



Distributed computing – not an easy task



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import requests
import csv

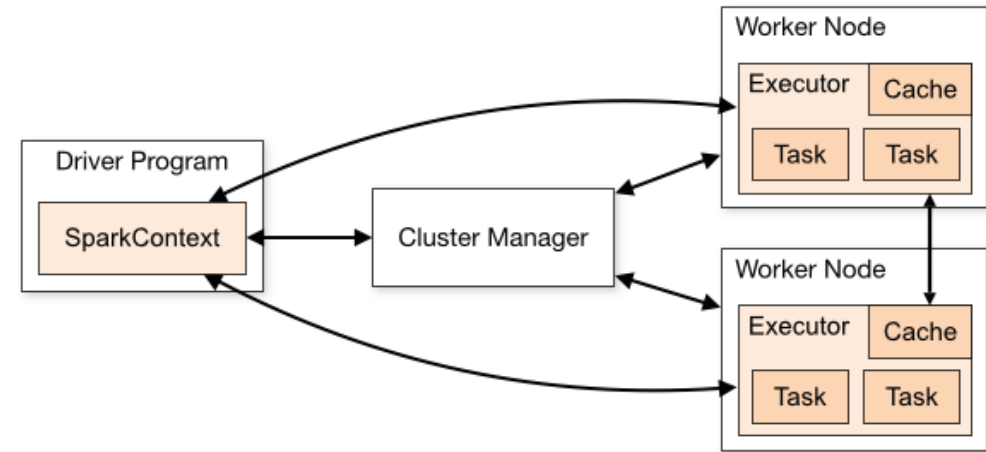
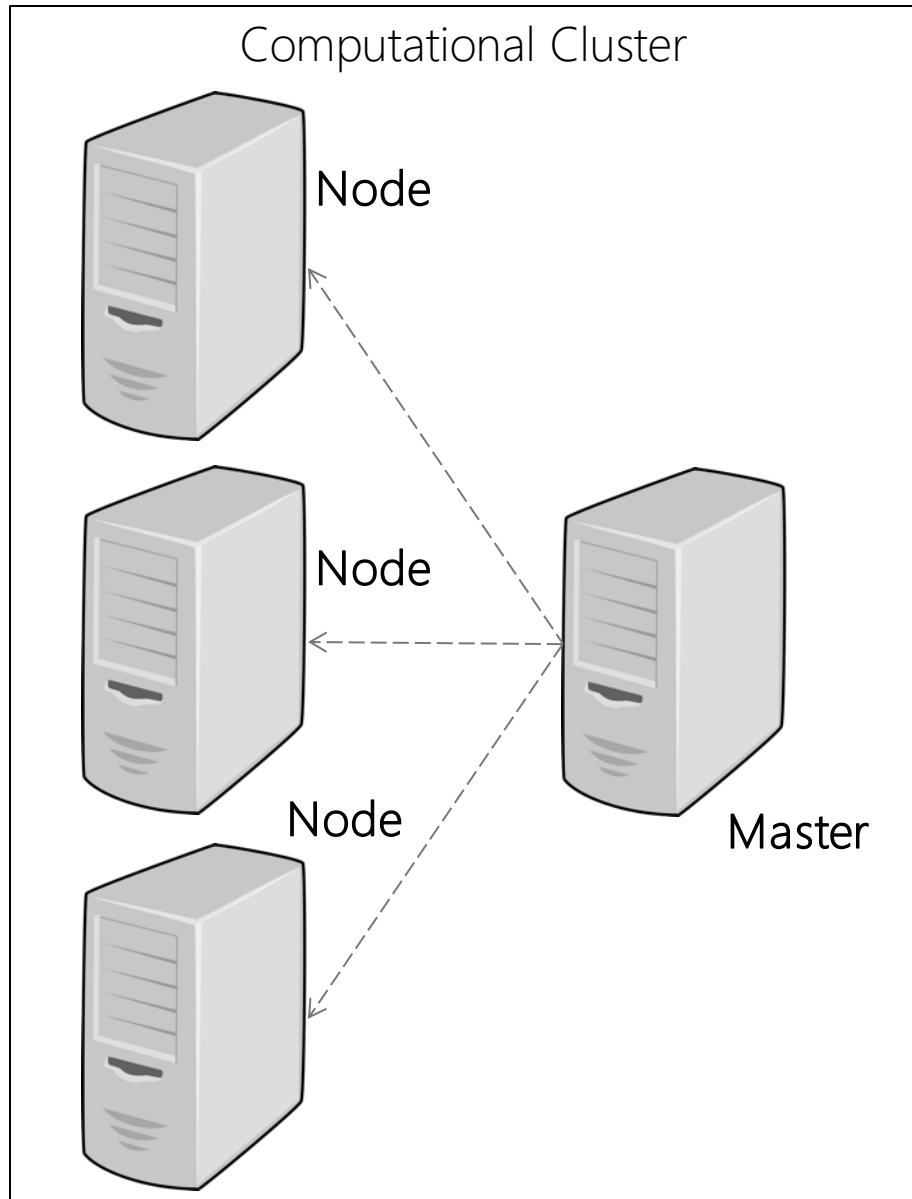
ip_addresses = {
    'node1': 127.0.0.5,
    'node2': 127.0.0.6,
    'node3': 127.0.0.7,
    'node4': 127.0.0.8
    ...}

# connect to the worker
try:
    r=requests.post('..')
except:
    ...

# read csv
with file('csv1') open as f:
    ...

# calculate sum
len(csv)
...
```

Distributed computing → use framework



Spark



```
df = spark.read.csv('test.csv')  
df.count()
```

Open-source framework wars

Data Engineering

Data Science

Data Manipulation, ETL

Machine Learning



Streaming

Graph Operations

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Unified & unifying Spark

Data Engineer



- ETL
- Data Integration
- Deployment of models
- Scala, Java, Python, SQL



Data Scientist



- Data Analyses
- ML models
- Notebooks
- Python, R

5. Where to Build This – On-Premise vs Cloud



Feature	On-Premise	Cloud VM	Cloud Serverless
Control over underlying hardware	Yes	No	No
Control over underlying software	Yes	Yes	No
Software (typically)	Proprietary / open-source	Open-source / proprietary	Cloud services
Maintenance requirements	High	Medium	Almost none
Scaling	Difficult (+costly)	Medium	Seamless
Cost (depends)	Usually high	Medium	Low

Why the Public Cloud Serverless is cost efficient

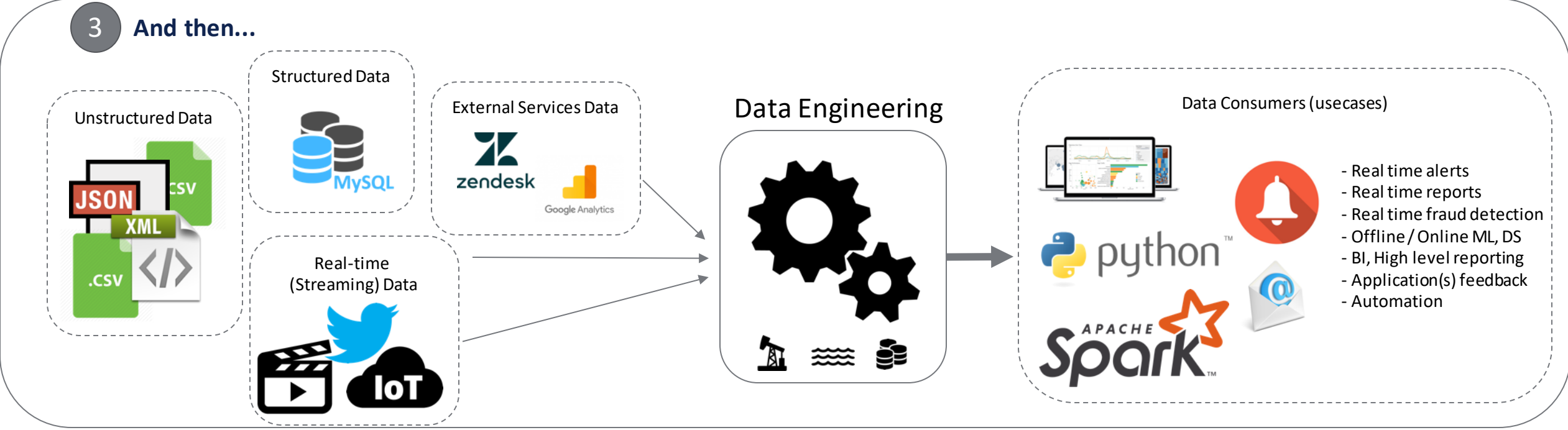
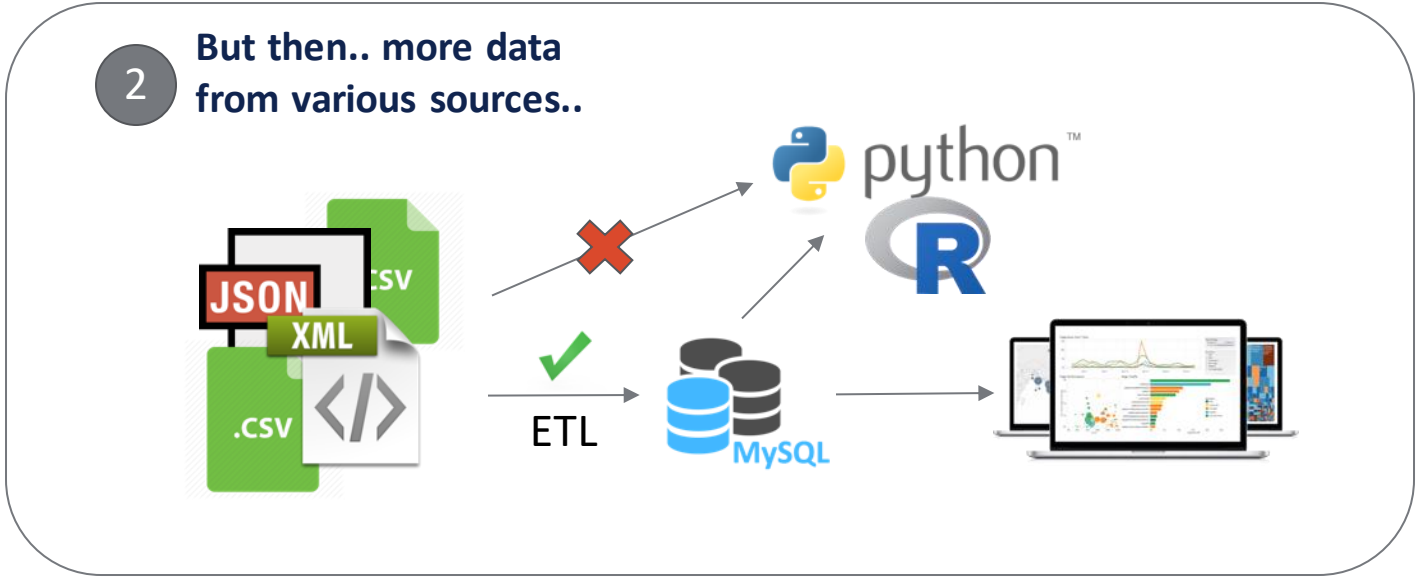
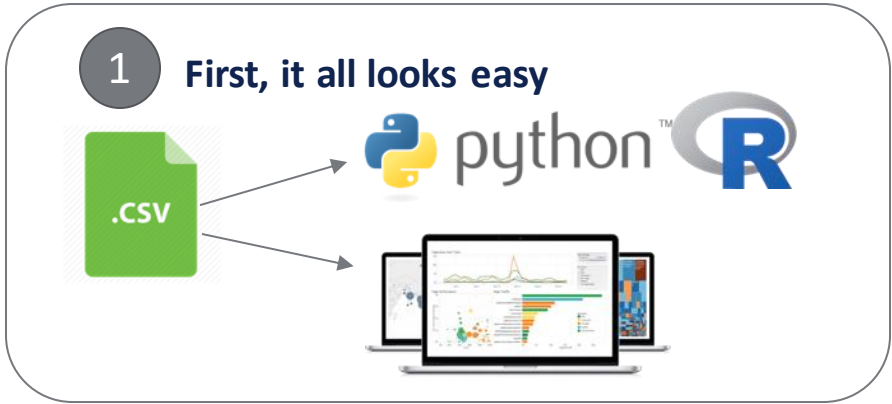
- Data science / data analytics workloads are typically **very irregular and spread in time**
 - When I am training a deep learning network I need a lot of performance
 - But I only do this for example once a month/week
 - Similarly with recalculation of the DWH/datamarts/data cleansing/unification/etc.
 - A lot more reports are generated towards the end of the month / end of the year
 - A lot more performance needed during the day than during the night, etc.
- **On-prem dilemma** of whether to buy a lot of machines to cover peaks but then have them standing idle or to sacrifice peak performance to lower idle time
- In cloud serverless there is no such dilemma – you just pay for the actual needed performance at the given time, adapts automatically at a seconds notice



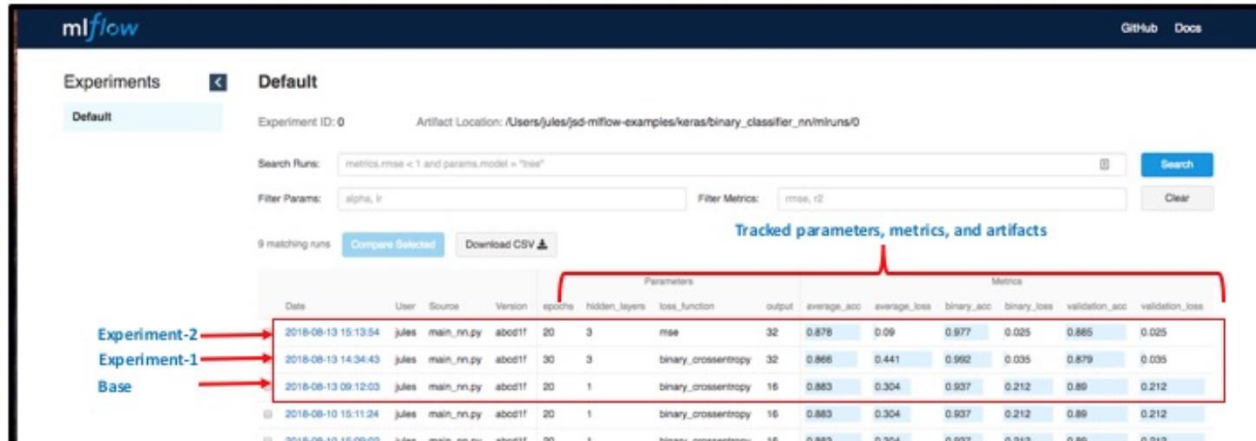
Public cloud – pay for actual computing you used (blue)

Private cloud – the majority of the time you have more than you need and in the peaks (typically the most important times) you have less power than you need. Applies to both hardware and software (typically node based licencing).

6. Data engineering – why?

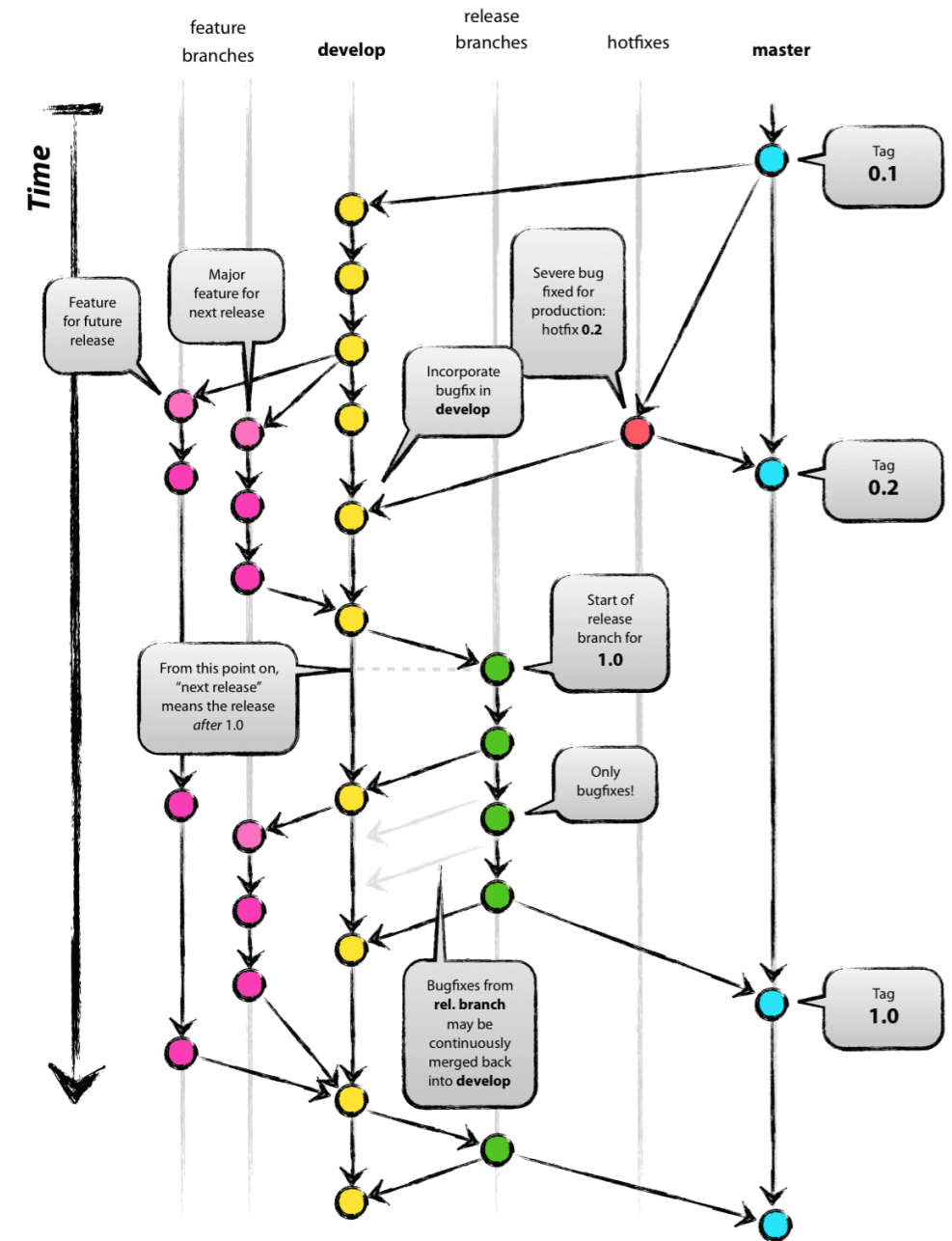
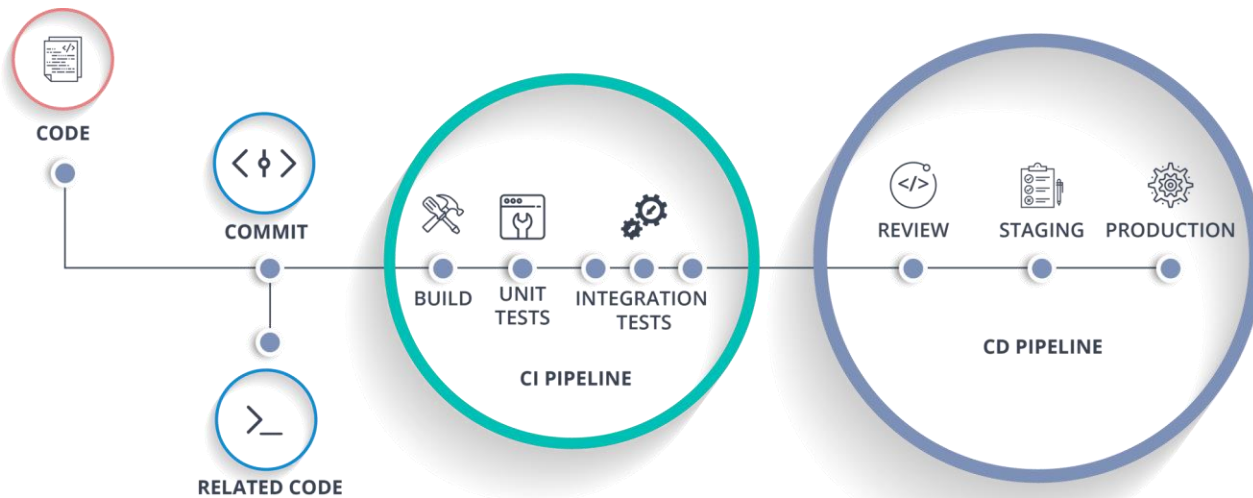


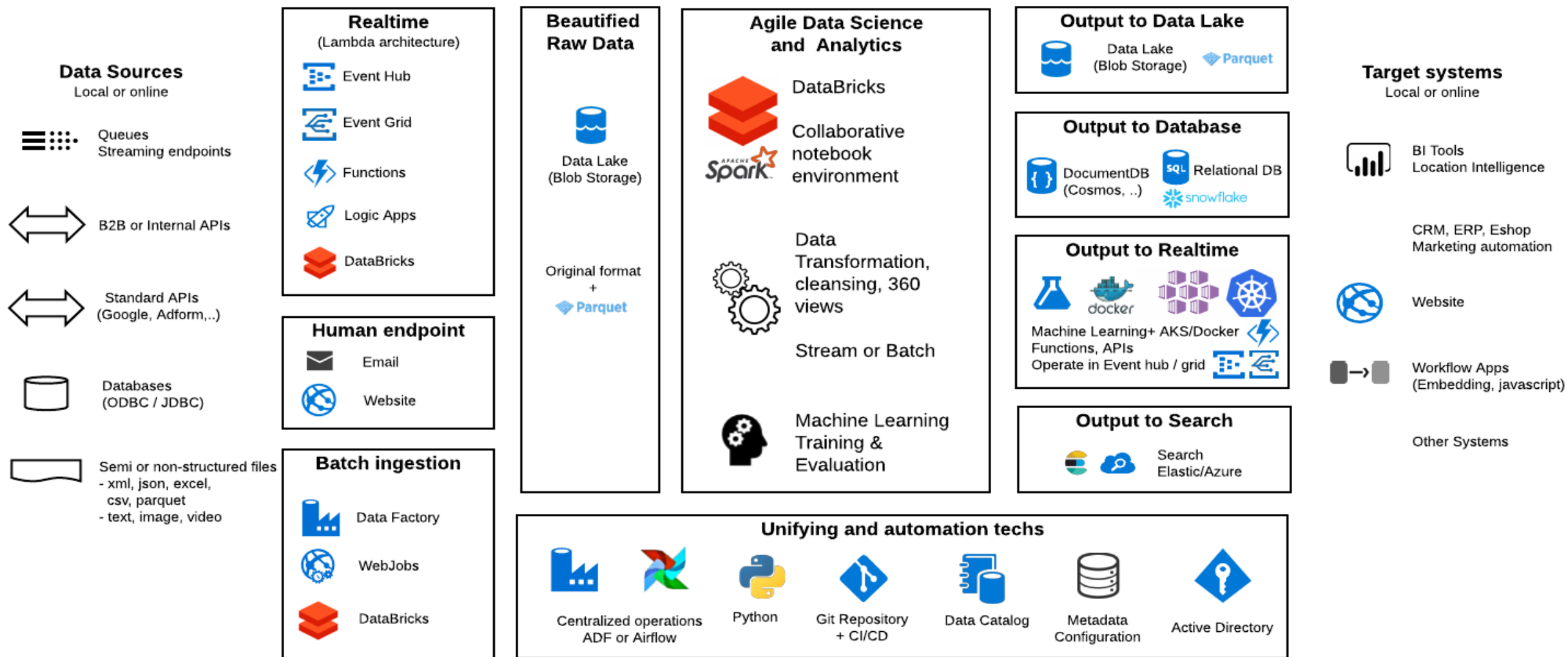
7. Versioning and CI/CD



The screenshot shows the mlflow web interface with a table of experiment runs. The table has columns for Date, User, Source, Version, epochs, hidden_layers, loss_function, output, average_acc, average_loss, binary_acc, binary_loss, validation_acc, and validation_loss. Three runs are highlighted with red arrows and labels: Experiment-2, Experiment-1, and Base.

Date	User	Source	Version	epochs	hidden_layers	loss_function	output	average_acc	average_loss	binary_acc	binary_loss	validation_acc	validation_loss
2018-08-13 15:13:54	jules	main_nn.py	abcd1f	20	3	mse	32	0.878	0.09	0.977	0.025	0.865	0.025
2018-08-13 14:34:43	jules	main_nn.py	abcd1f	30	3	binary_crossentropy	32	0.866	0.441	0.992	0.035	0.879	0.035
2018-08-13 09:12:03	jules	main_nn.py	abcd1f	20	1	binary_crossentropy	16	0.883	0.304	0.937	0.212	0.89	0.212
2018-08-10 15:11:24	jules	main_nn.py	abcd1f	20	1	binary_crossentropy	16	0.883	0.304	0.937	0.212	0.89	0.212
2018-08-10 15:10:05	jules	main_nn.py	abcd1f	20	1	binary_crossentropy	16	0.885	0.304	0.937	0.212	0.89	0.212





Similarly also on AWS

4. Data science metody: využití v aktuárských problémech

Příležitosti

O technologiích / přístupu

- Python/R jako silnější a udržitelnější řešení než Excel
- Příprava dat vlastním a agilnějším způsobem, ale pořád s dobrou štábní kulturou a úrovní automatizace a robustnosti
- Paralelizace a efektivnější masivní výpočty – stochastické ALM modely, apod.
- Použití vizualizace a dashboardů pro monitoring a vyhodnocování výsledků modelů, analýza změny, apod.
- Automatizovanější a udržitelnější procesy, rychlejší schopnost experimentů a změn

Použití pokročilých data science metod

- Příprava personalizovaných předpokladů pro cash-flow modely – úmrtnost, stornovost, náklady, škodovost, ...
- Využití cash-flow a CLV modelů pro řízení marketingu / hledání optimální nabídky
- Pricing pomocí pokročilejších metod (random forest, xgboost, ...)
- Využití online dat (kotace, prohlížení webu, ...) a externích dat (scrapping, apod.) pro získání informací o poptávce a nabídce v závislosti na vlastnostech klienta/předmětu pojištění -> obohacení rizikového pricingu o tržní pohled / elasticitu, apod.

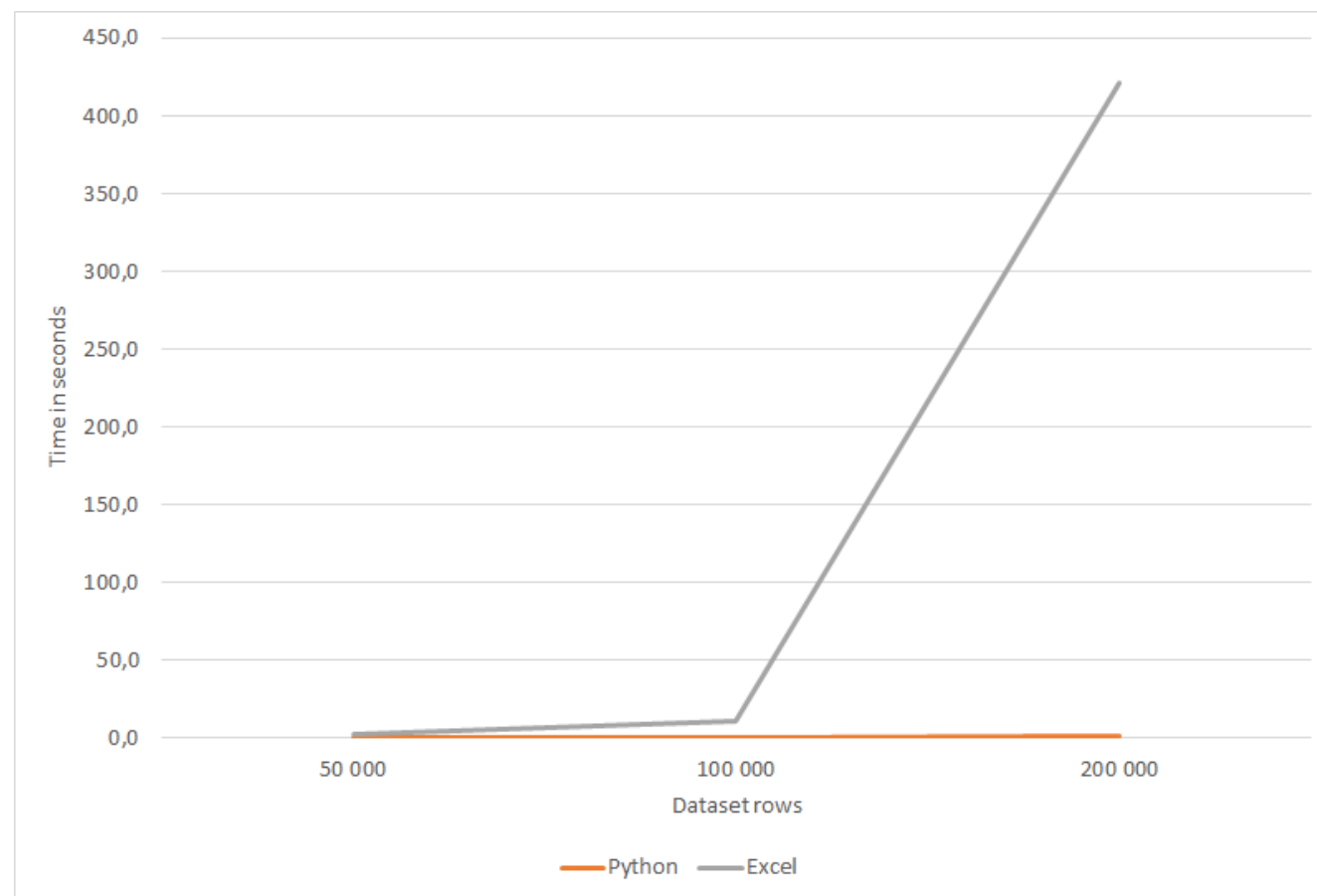
Back down to earth (Excel)

- **Use case: Assume that you have dataset and you have to prepare it for pricing**
 - You have following data about cell phones:
The goal is to standardize Brand names and calculate Sum of Brutto Premium for each brand

ID	Brand	Price	Sold	Insured	Brutto	Commission
1	Smasung	12876	01.02.2010	01.02.2010	149	52
2	Samsung	24652	14.08.2010	14.08.2010	259	91
3	huwei	33027	01.06.2010	01.06.2010	259	91
4	Samsung	23449	19.08.2010	19.08.2010	259	91
5	bb	3923	19.11.2010	19.11.2010	99	35
6	apple	20999	09.09.2010	09.09.2010	259	91
7	samsung	3483	12.09.2010	12.09.2010	99	35
8	HTC	20954	26.11.2010	26.11.2010	259	91
9	sams	28704	20.09.2010	20.09.2010	259	91
10	smasung	7151	20.09.2010	20.09.2010	129	45
11	BlackBerry	23790	17.01.2010	17.01.2010	259	91
12	HTC	23183	06.09.2010	06.09.2010	259	91
13	iphone	24543	28.12.2010	28.12.2010	259	91
14	Huawei	21631	30.01.2010	30.01.2010	259	91
15	huawei	30146	29.10.2010	29.10.2010	259	91
16	Smasung	27286	20.04.2010	20.04.2010	259	91
17	Motorola	19081	27.07.2010	27.07.2010	159	56
18	huavei	24294	23.05.2010	23.05.2010	259	91
19	sms	10147	19.11.2010	19.11.2010	149	52
20	Nokia	12821	22.08.2010	22.08.2010	149	52
21	smasung	13426	11.04.2010	11.04.2010	149	52

Excel vs Python

- Assume that you have 50.000, 100.000 and 200.000 rows of such dataset
- To standardize the brand names you need to use something like Levenshtein distance
 - In Excel -> there is no package / library to do this. You need to use multiple text functions or write VBA script (60 rows of code)
 - In Python -> there is library to do the trick for you (10 lines)
- To calculate Sum of Brutto per Brand
 - In Excel -> Sumifs functions will do that
 - In Python -> GroupBy and Sum function
- The graph demonstrates efficiency of both approaches:
*(for python it is time including loading data)



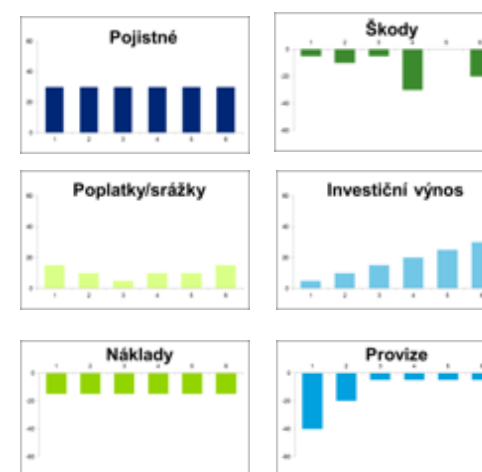
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 Nainstalovaná paměť: 8,00 GB (použitelné: 7,73 GB)

CLV model – life insurance company example

- Each month events can happen: death, claim, policy cancellation, up-sell of new risk, top-up into investment fund
- Inputs: contract details of given customer, age, sex, acquisition distribution channel
- Lapse rate: depends on length of history with insurer and distribution channel, Death: age and sex, Claims: age and sex, number of claims in past, Up-sell: age, sex, region, distribution channel, contract configuration, family

	2017	Further years			
		2018	2019	2020	
Premium	90	80	70	60	
Commissions	-2	-2	-2	-2	
Claims	-45	-55	-20	-20	
Charges	8	8	8	8	
Expenses	-4	-4	-3	-3	
Change of fund	-20	-20	-30	-30	
Investment income	5	5	7	7	
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Profit	32	12	30	20	

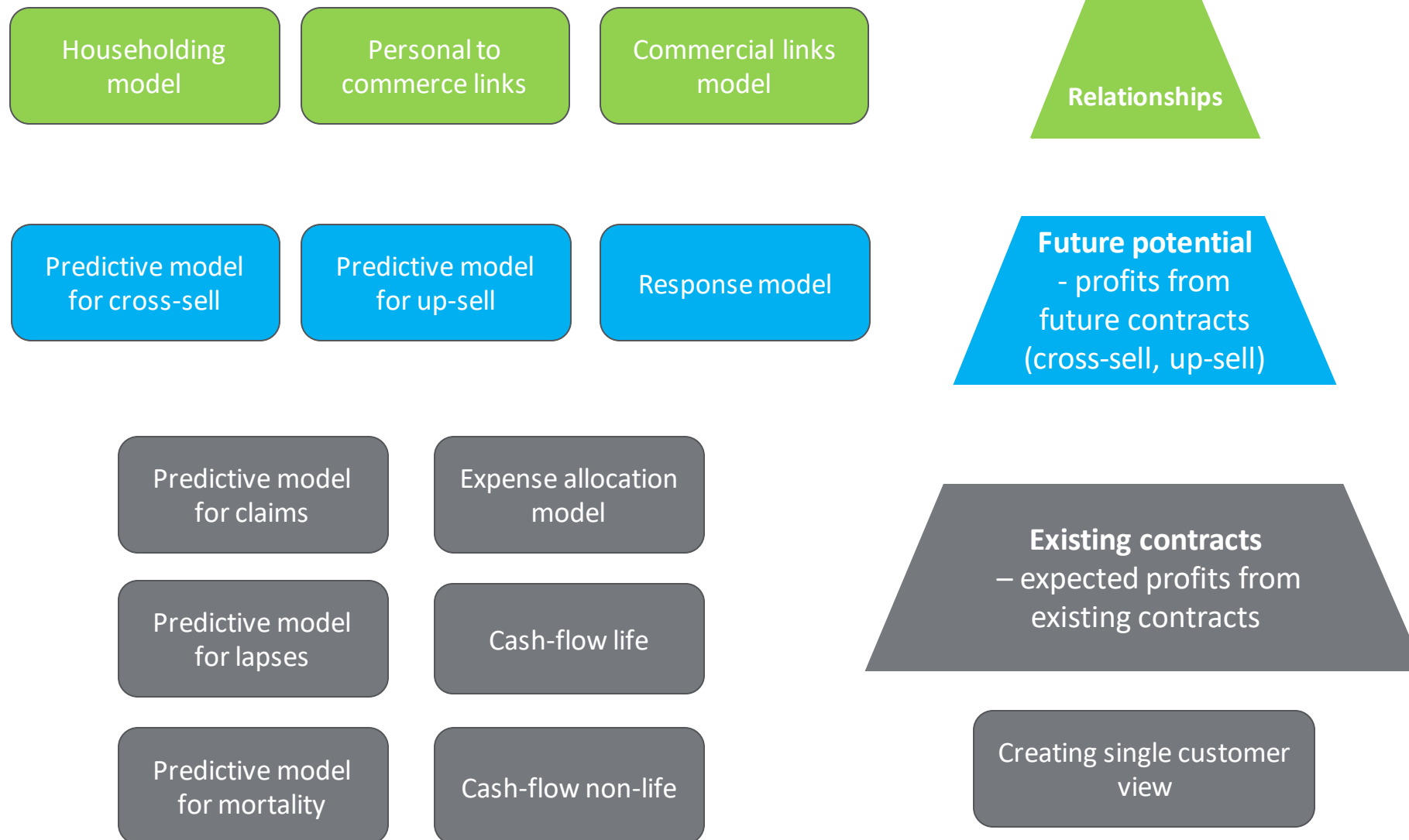
Discounting = taking into account time value of money (interest rates)



Discounting

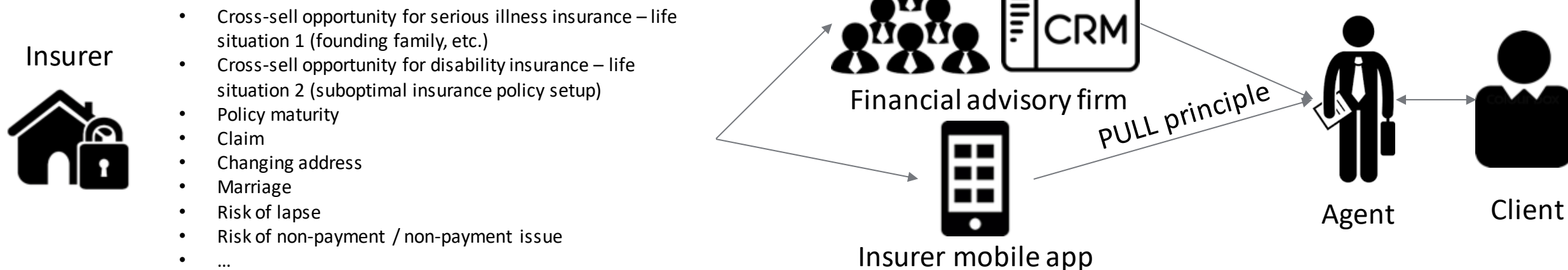
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CLV model – life insurance example



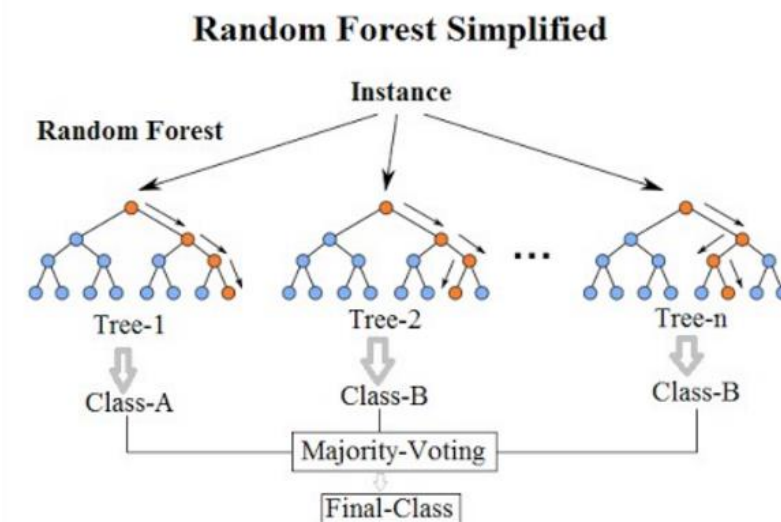
Subscribe/up/cross-sell – life insurance example

- **Use case: Sales signals (opportunities and threats) for physical sales agent network**
 - Life insurance is a **complex product** for solving complex needs (family, health, financial security)
 - **Importance of human touch** - up to this day the role of physical agents is still pivotal to explain to clients how things work and how to setup a contract
 - **Centrally organized push campaigns** based on analytics have **never really worked** in this area – resistance from network
 - **Pull principle is more successful** – provide agents with signals (based on analytics) with which they can work according to their own judgement – sales signal model:
 - Inputs: customer 360 view (contract history, contract events, interaction history, household information, demo and regional info, sales partner info, etc.)
 - Method: predictive model for each opportunity/threat (xgBoost) + clustering to create stories/life situations
 - Output: most relevant stories/life situations for given client



Retention process in car insurance

- **Use case: How big discount to offer in order to prevent client from cancelling contracts.**
- Car insurance is usually a fixed-term contract
- Before the insurance end a renewal contract is offered (usually with higher price – the car gets older) and the client can cancel it. If he fulfils certain conditions, he is being offered some discount (it can get up to 30 % in some cases).
- Every year 25% of contracts are cancelled (but - includes also car selling).
- Huge opportunity
- Typically a single decision tree with few criteria is fitted (nr. of claims during some time period, insured amount, type of product, ...)
- Potential to use random forests – repeatedly fitted trees.
- Then modus returned as the output.
- Potential to use A/B testing – validation of the models outcomes.
 - Quick results given the amount of contracts.

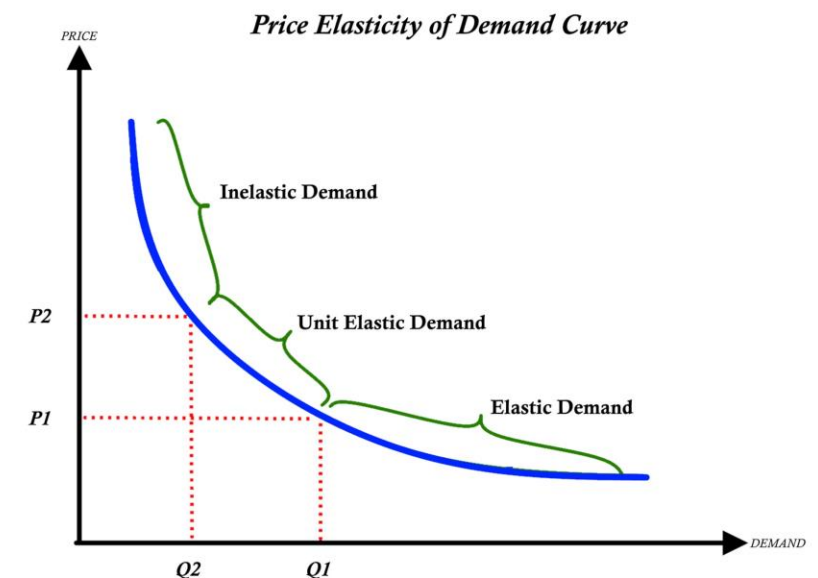


Automatization of key models

- **Use case: Most of the insurance models are refitted manually on a monthly basis – it takes a lot of time and lot of effort just rerunning existing code.**
- Using platforms such as Databricks allows key models to be run daily/weekly - cloud allows orchestration (running automatically at certain time).
- Because of the bigger computing power, "old" and "new" model can be run parallel, the results as well as the data can be stored.
- It is necessary to check the stability of the models.
- Advantages:
 - Human needed only when something goes wrong.
 - Automatic control on the input data – if they do not differ too much
 - Typically reveals changes in DWH etc.
 - Automatic control on the coefficients changes
 - Early warning on the structural changes for example in clients behavior.
 - Automatic control on the model performance metrics (fit or prediction)

Usage of online data – personalized offers, discounts

- **Use case: Online data is the ultimate way of understanding the demand for the insurance product and its relation to the price.**
- What information can we gain from online data:
 - What insurance the client is and is not interested in
 - If we knew he is interested mainly in disability insurance and less in death insurance, we can offer a discount for the death insurance.
 - We can have a model determining clients probability of conversion as a function of the insurance price – we can find optimal discount maximizing profit.
 - This is closely related to the law of demand
 - Price elasticity of demand
 - Instead of Quantity demanded by a population, we can work equivalently with the conversion probability (when we fix population size).
 - A parametric model is already described and explored – we can just fit the parameters.



- Online motor insurance sales -> **leads** (filled data and received quote but did not buy on web – i.e. similar to abandoned cart) -> **call-centre is performing follow-up calls**
- **Propensity-to-buy model**:
 - Inputs: driver (age, sex, region), car (brand, age, value, ...), quoted insurance configuration, quote interaction behaviour (modified default packages, etc.), channel
 - Method: predictive model (regression + random forest)
 - Output: probability that the given customer will buy motor insurance after follow-up call
- CLV model:
 - Some types of contracts/drivers/cars are more profitable for the company than other
- **Use case 1: Call-centre prioritization** – use propensity-to-buy * CLV as a measure of priority for follow-up calls = call first/most tries/biggest discount/etc. to customers with highest combination of propensity-to-buy and CLV
 - additional problem: probability of a fake number input – neural network returning probability
- **Use case 2: Marketing targeting** - Use PtB*CLV as measure of priority for purchasing online advertisement – invest more marketing budget into segments with higher PtB*CLV

Master pricing model – relation to the cancellation

- **Use case: Pricing is usually done using only claim model. But the CLV of a client does not depend only on claims – what about cancellation?**
- For example in life insurance, there are plenty of expenses for the insurance company on the beginning of the contract (administration costs, agent provisions). By unit-link life insurance, there are cancellation fees in the first years to cover them (client has some capital the insurer can take). By term-insurance, there is no such option. The initial costs are somehow transmitted to the tariffs, but even though clients who cancel quickly never pay for the expenses they brought to the insurer.
- As term-insurance is becoming more and more popular, clients features to the odds of cancellation is becoming an important factor that should be taken into account when offering the price for the insurance.



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