



# Predict Backpack Prices

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# Problem Context

**Goal: Predict Prices Given Various Attributes**

**Evaluation: RMSE**

**Regression Model to estimate price of backpacks from dataset**

**Identify interactions, sensitivity and chaos**

**Quality guidelines: Scalability and maintainability**



# System Properties

1

## Homeostasis

In the relationship between the model and market changes that are not in the dataset.

2

## Adaptability

In the way the system can be updated to handle new market conditions.

3

## Resilience

In the robustness of the system against defective data, outliers or noise.

4

## Emergency

In complex relationships between simple variables such as brand, material and size.

# Sensitivity Analysis

1

**Changes to a feature  
generate changes in  
the output.**

2

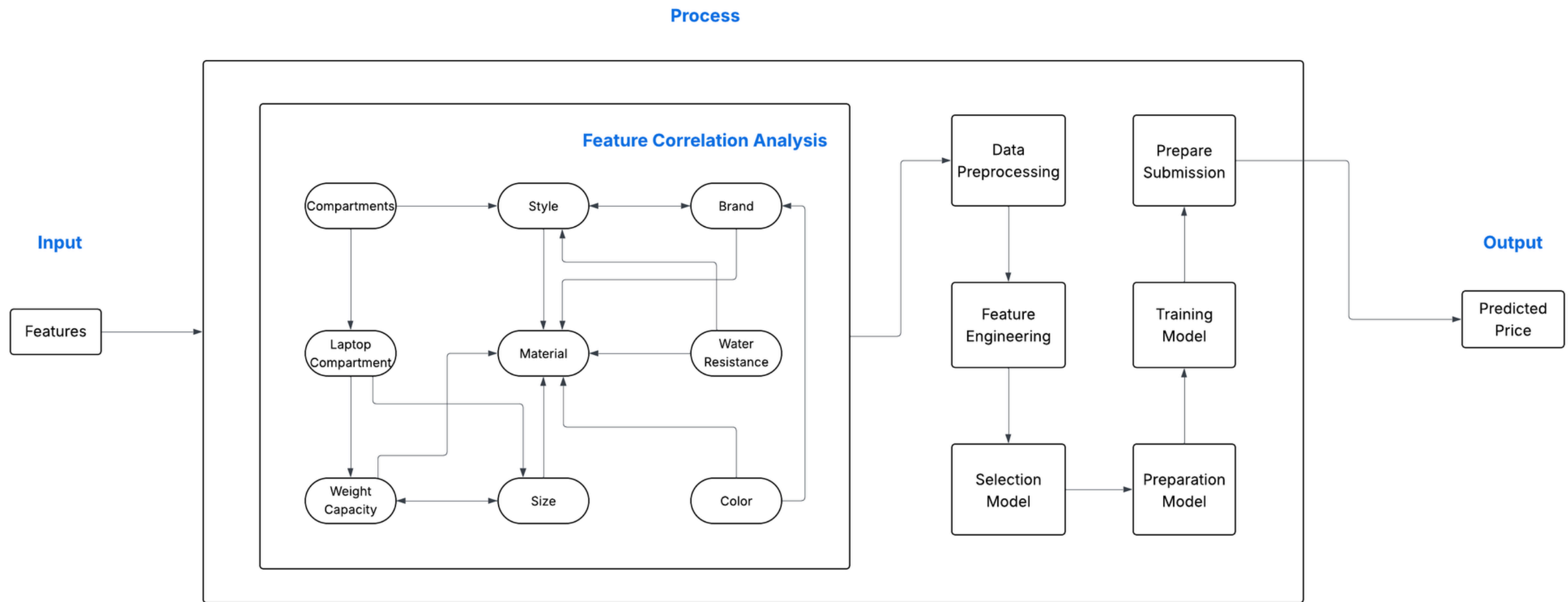
**Hyperparameter  
adjustment**

3

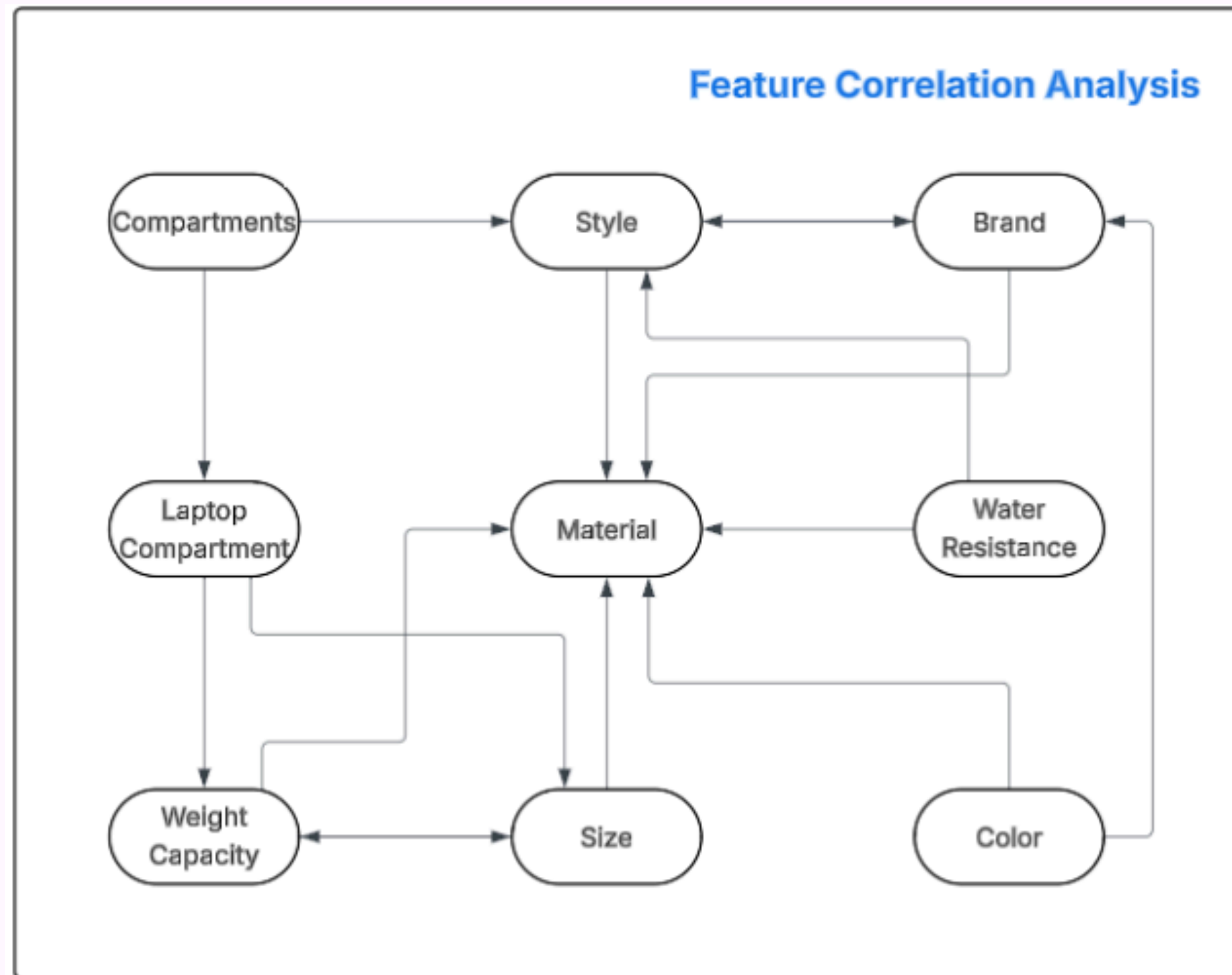
**Comparison  
between models**



# Proposed Solution



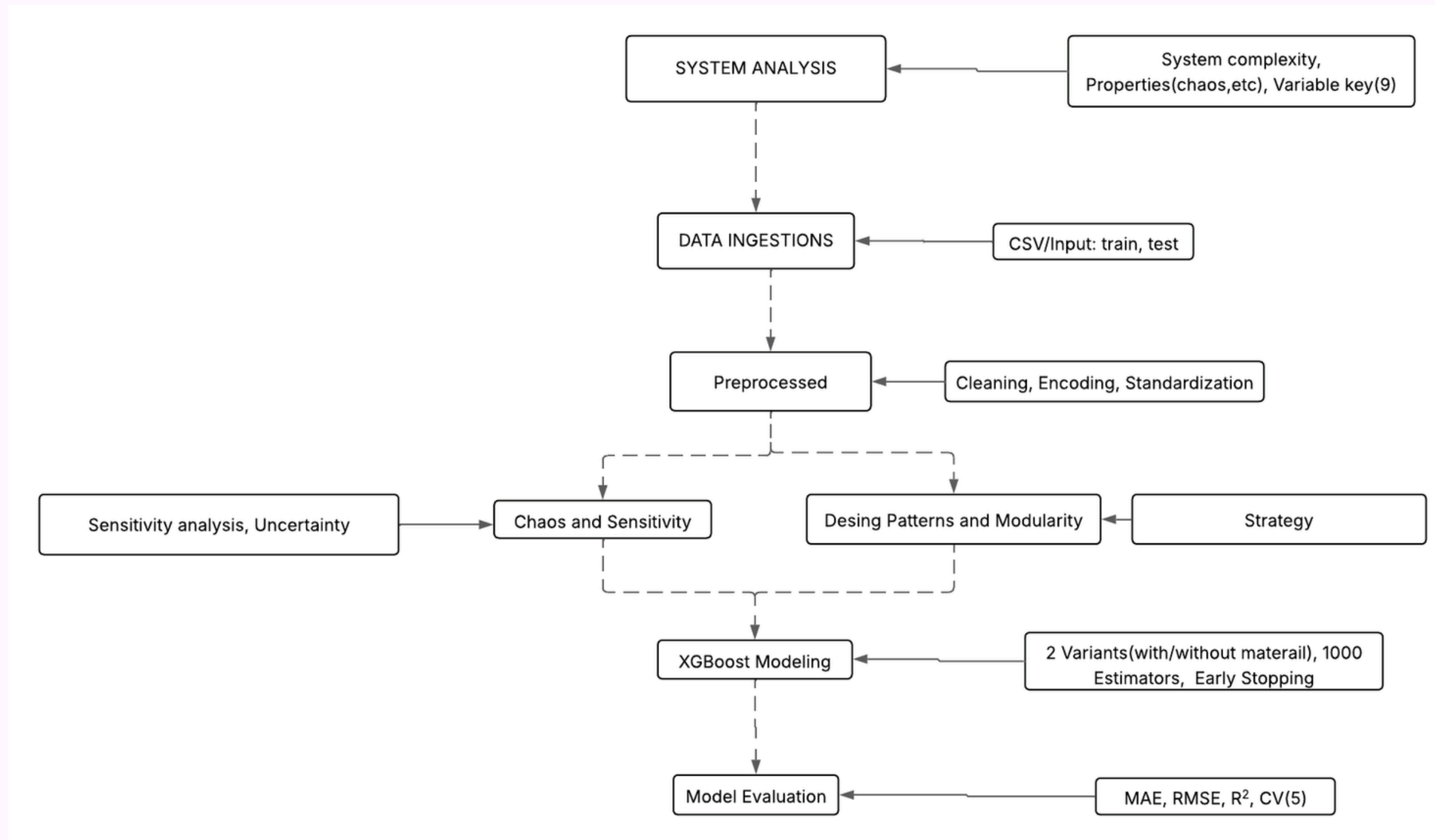
# Feature Analysis



**Material feature exhibits strong correlation**

**Dependency pattern in the model**

# High Level Architecture



# Solution Analysis

1

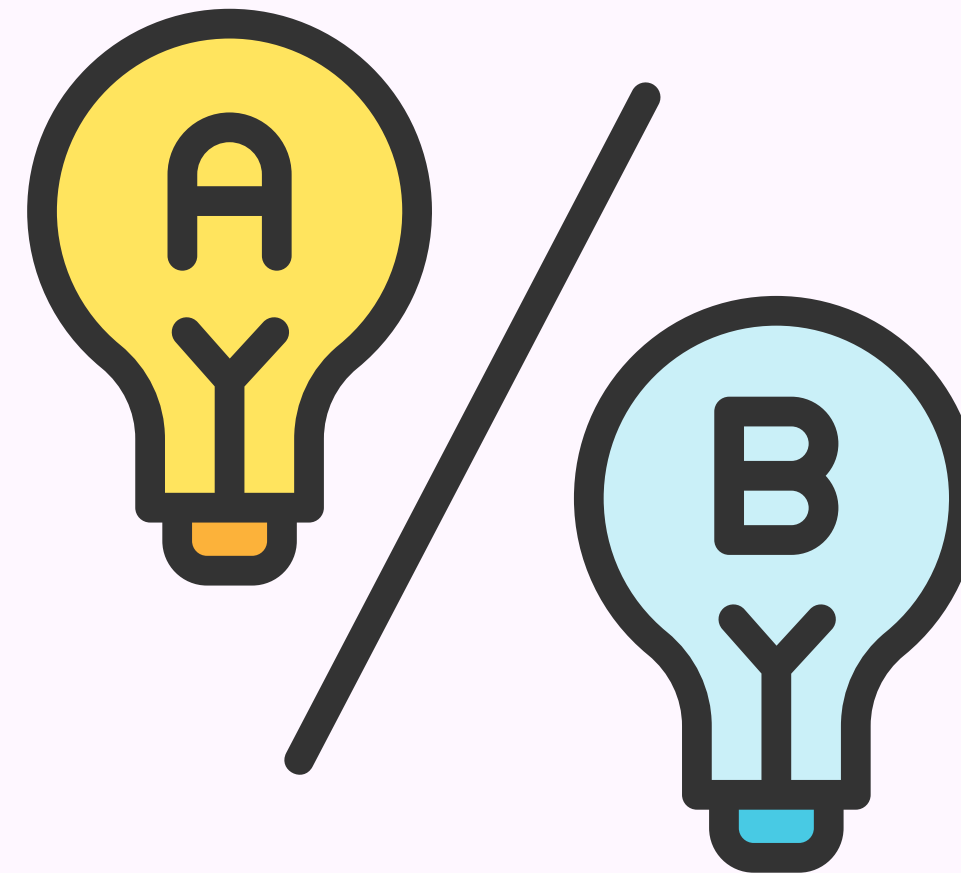
**Adopt XGBoost**

2

**Implements a dual-model  
architecture**

3

**Integrates a robust  
preprocessing pipeline**





# Dataset Preparation



```
def preprocess_data(df, test):  
    # Handle missing values and encode categorical variables  
    test['Size'] = test['Size'].fillna(test['Size'].mode()[0])  
    df.dropna(inplace=True)  
    size_order = ['Small', 'Medium', 'Large']  
    encoder = OrdinalEncoder(categories=[size_order])  
    df['Size'] = encoder.fit_transform(df[['Size']])  
    test['Size'] = encoder.transform(test[['Size']])  
    categorical_cols = ['Brand', 'Laptop Compartment', 'Waterproof',  
                        'Style', 'Color']  
    df = pd.get_dummies(df, columns=categorical_cols)  
    test = pd.get_dummies(test, columns=categorical_cols)  
    return df, test
```

# Dual Model Implementation

```
def prepare_data(self, df, test):
    # Prepare data including the 'Material' column
    df = pd.get_dummies(df, columns=['Material'])
    test = pd.get_dummies(test, columns=['Material'])
    X_train = df.drop(['id', 'Price'], axis=1)
    Y_train = df['Price']
    X_valid = df.drop(['id', 'Price'], axis=1)
    Y_valid = df['Price']
    X_test = test.drop(['id'], axis=1)
    return X_train, Y_train, X_valid, Y_valid, X_test
```

```
def prepare_data(self, df, test):
    # Prepare data excluding the 'Material' column
    X_train = df.drop(['id', 'Price', 'Material'], axis=1)
    Y_train = df['Price']
    X_valid = df.drop(['id', 'Price', 'Material'], axis=1)
    Y_valid = df['Price']
    X_test = test.drop(['id', 'Material'], axis=1)
    return X_train, Y_train, X_valid, Y_valid, X_test
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# Results

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