



ML Fridays

Demystifying MLOps

Automating ML Workflows with Amazon SageMaker

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Agenda

- The current stage of AI/ML practice
- From DevOps to MLOps
- MLOps from 3 different points of view
- Automating ML workflows with Amazon SageMaker
- Demo – Amazon SageMaker Projects and Pipelines
- How Games24x7 is working on MLOps challenges.
- Going forward



Current state of AI/ML

- A decade of ML practices
- Main learnings
- Barriers to AI implementation



State of machine learning

• Today

- 53% of POCs make it into production
- Average 9 months
- Gartner



Last decade

- Focusing mostly on building ML models
- Operationalization was an afterthought

By end of 2024

- 75% of organizations will shift from piloting to operationalizing AI
- Gartner

<https://www.idgconnect.com/article/3583467/gartner-accelerating-ai-deployments-paths-of-least-resistance.html>



Main learnings

- Publishing a ML model is not enough.
- Managing the published ML models is as important as developing them.

*"IT leaders responsible for AI are discovering '**AI pilot paradox**', where launching pilots is deceptively easy but deploying them into production is notoriously challenging."*

Chirag Dekate, Senior Director Analyst,
Gartner

<https://www.gartner.com/smarterwithgartner/gartner-predicts-the-future-of-ai-technologies/>



From DevOps to MLOps

- The ML process
- Challenges with productionizing ML
- What is DevOps
- From DevOps to MLOps
- Why MLOps



Release process stages



Source

- **Check-in source code**
- **Peer review new code**



Build

- **Compile code**
- **Unit tests**
- **Style checkers**
- **Create container images and function deployment packages**



Test

- **Integration testing with other systems**
- **Load testing**
- **UI testing**
- **Security testing**
- **Functional testing**
- **API testing**



Production

- **Deployment to production environments**
- **Monitor in production to quickly detect any issues errors**

Release process automation



Source



Build



Test



Production

Continuous integration (CI)

Continuous delivery (CD)

Manual release

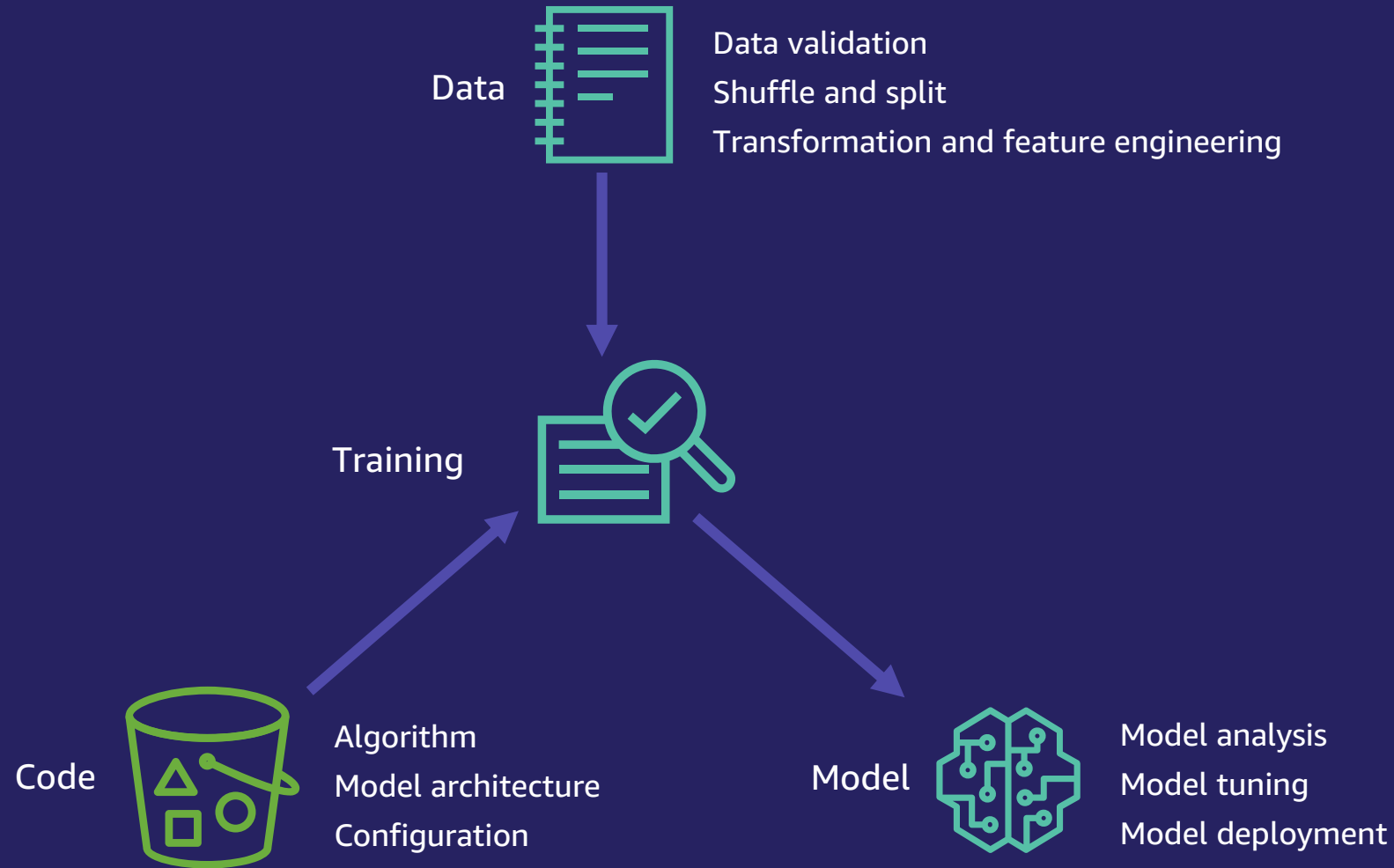


Continuous deployment

CI/CD: Continuous Integration & Continuous Delivery



ML code and data are independent



ML has additional requirements

Consistency

- Minimal variance between environments (i.e. using containers)

Flexibility

- Can accommodate most frameworks

Reproducibility

- Can recreate past experiments/training

Reusability

- Components are reusable across projects

Scalability

- Able to scale resources to efficiently meet demand

Auditability

- Logs, versions and dependencies of artifacts are available

Explainability

- Decision transparency

MLOps = DevOps for ML

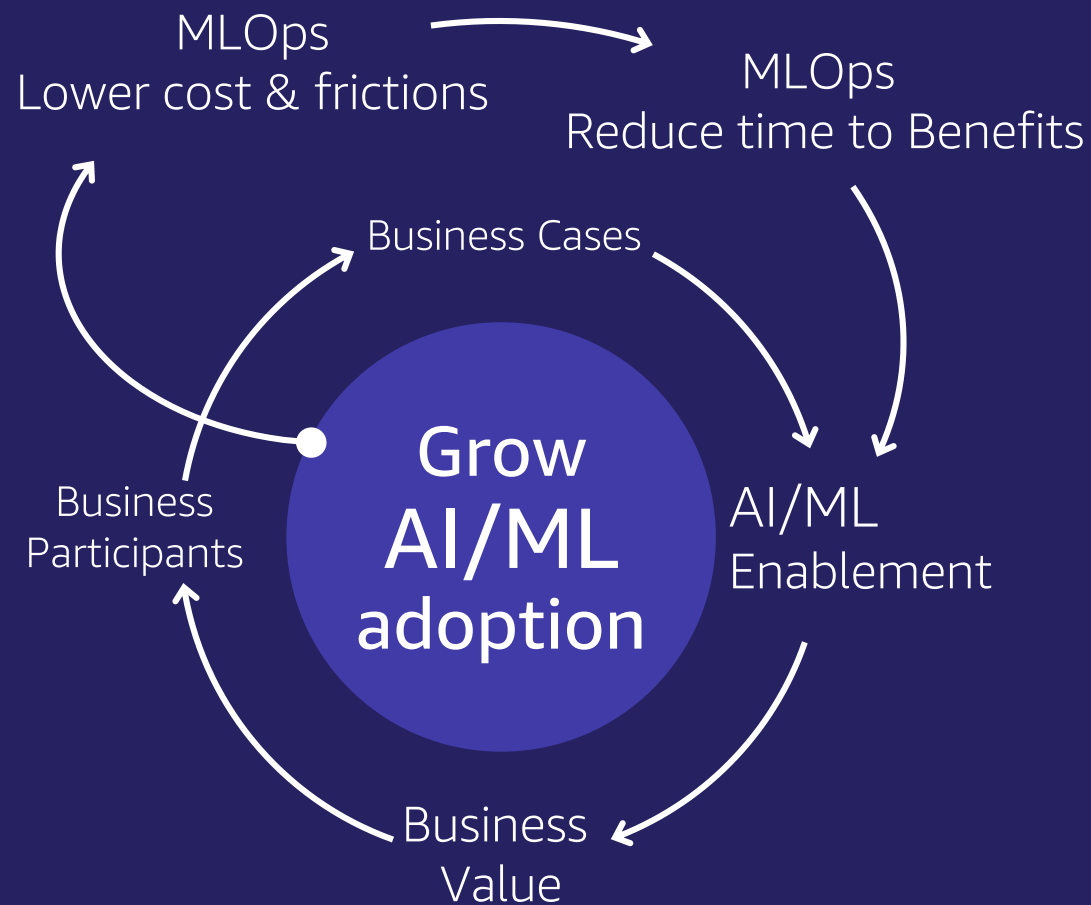
	DevOps	MLOPS
Code versioning	✓	✓
Compute environment	✓	✓
Continuous integration/delivery (CI/CD)	✓	✓
Monitoring in production	✓	✓
Data provenance		✓
Datasets		✓
Models		✓
Hyperparameters		✓
Metrics		✓
Workflows		✓

MLOPS
End-to-end
ML lifecycle
management

<https://medium.com/analytics-vidhya/mlops-the-epoch-of-productionizing-ml-models-4eec06d93623>



Why MLOPS?

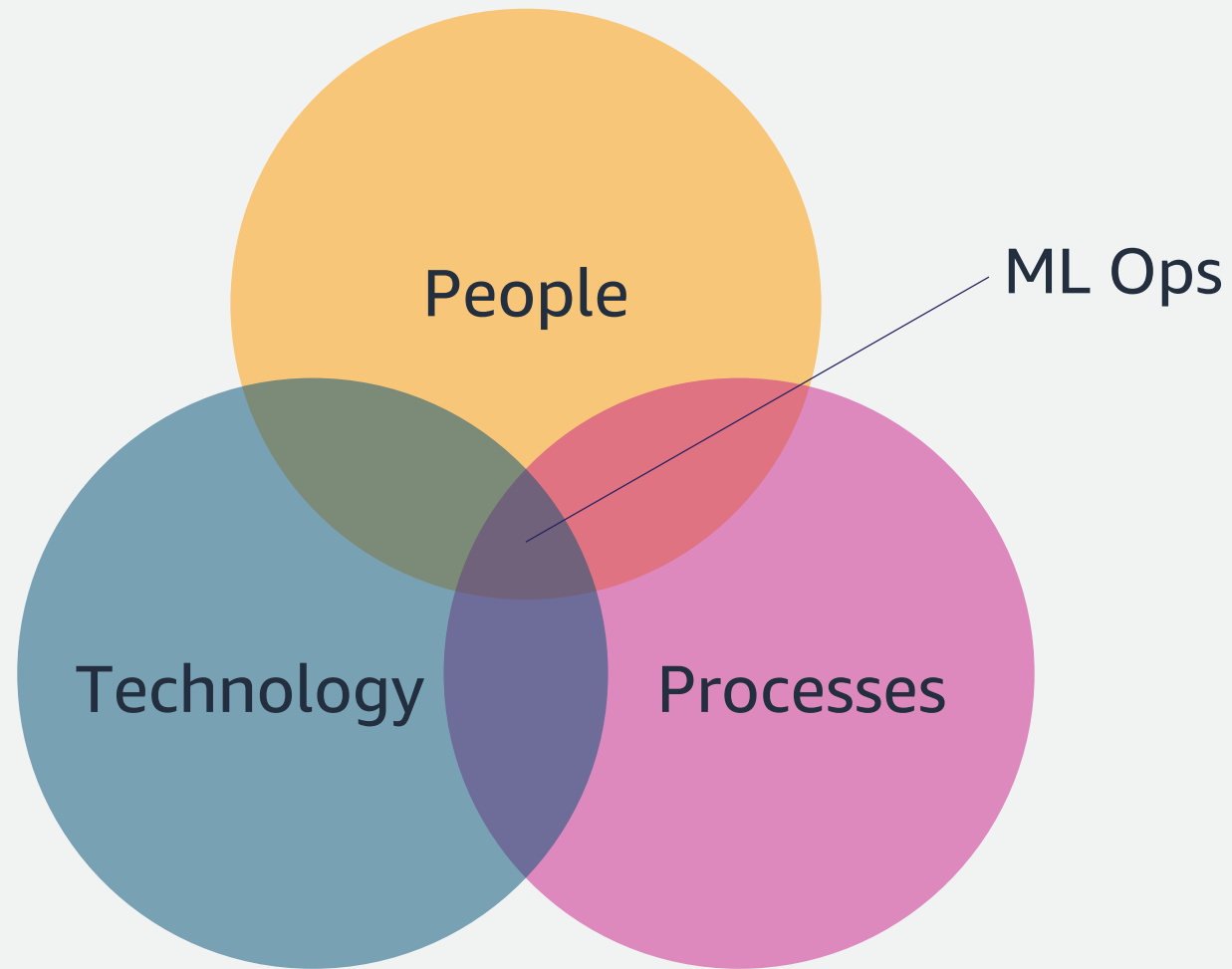


The 3 dimensions of MLOps

- Processes
- Personas
- Technology

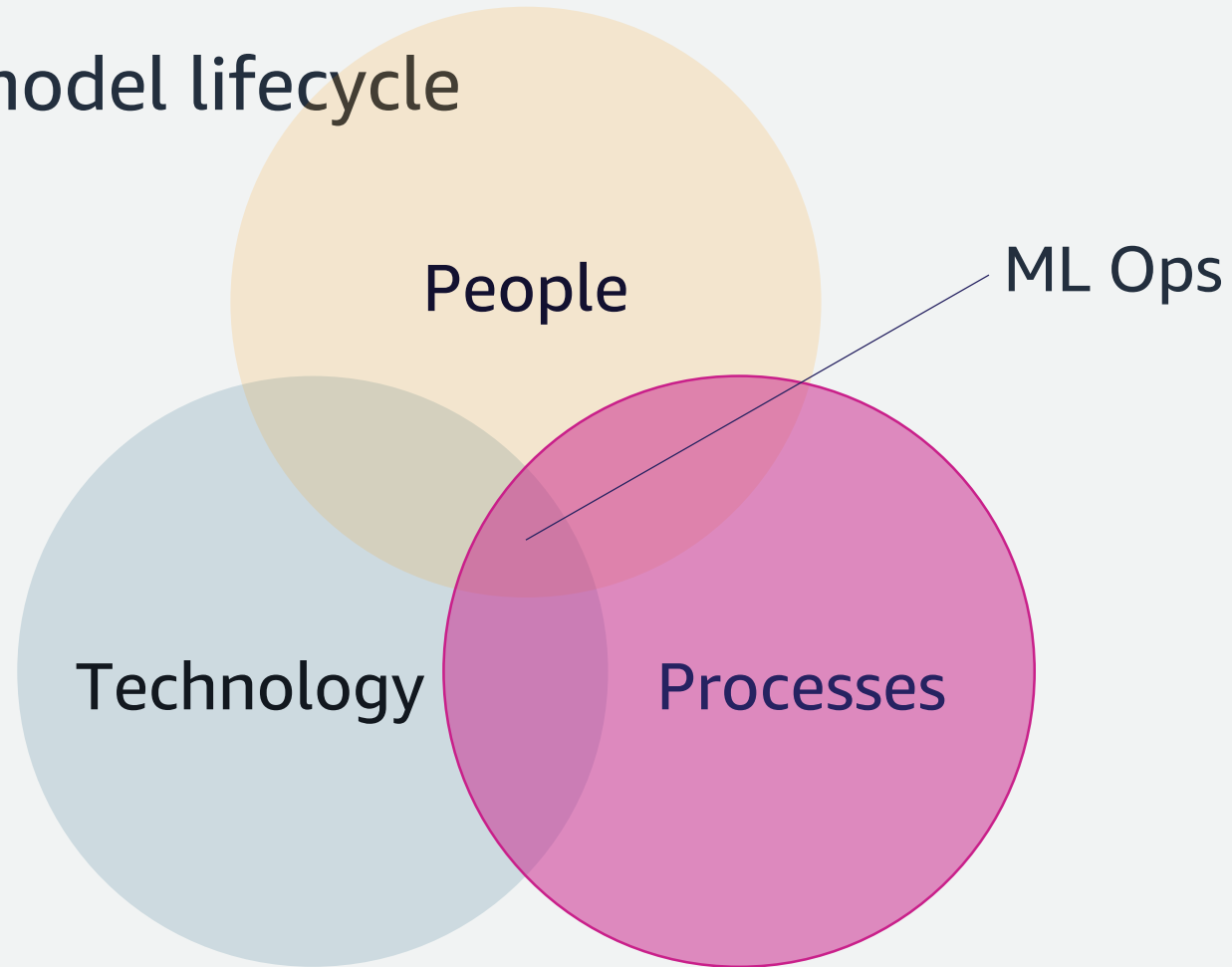


MLOps: Intersection between People, Technology, Process

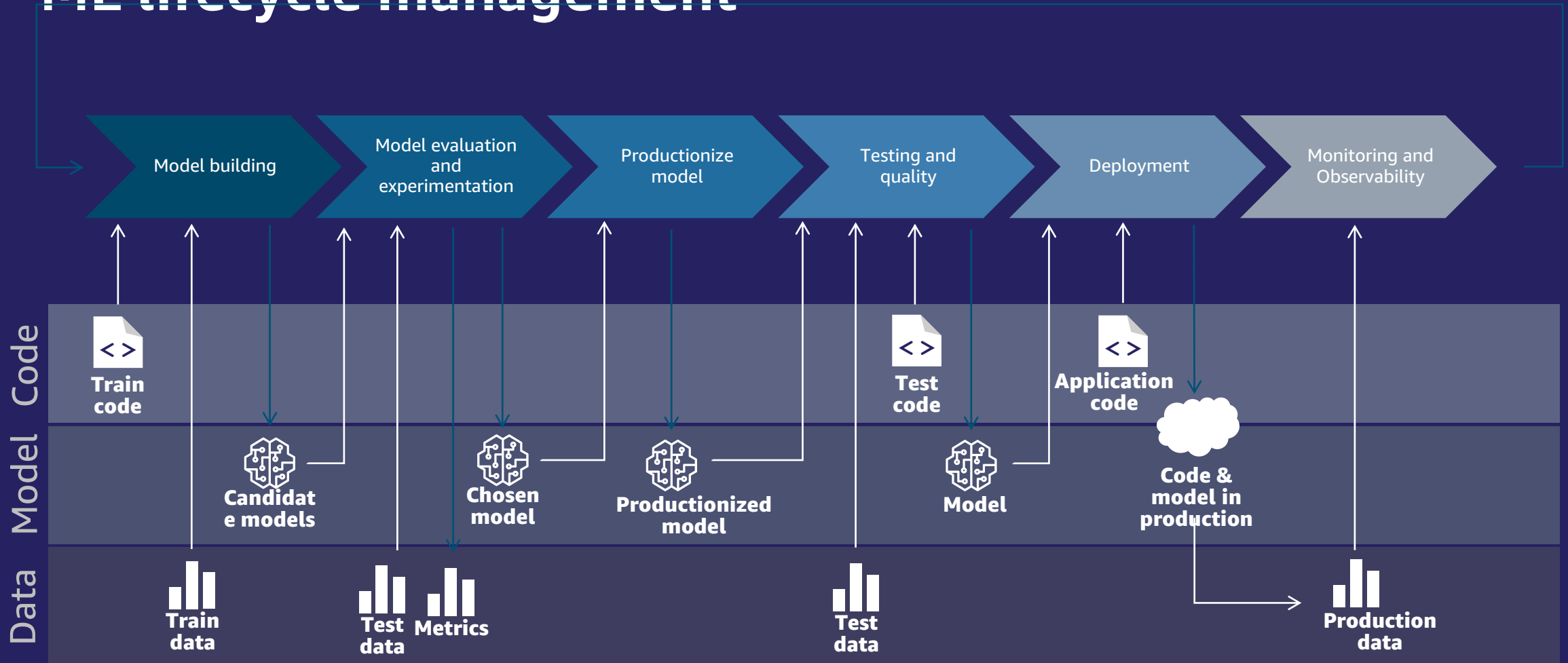


Processes

- End-to-end ML model lifecycle



ML lifecycle management

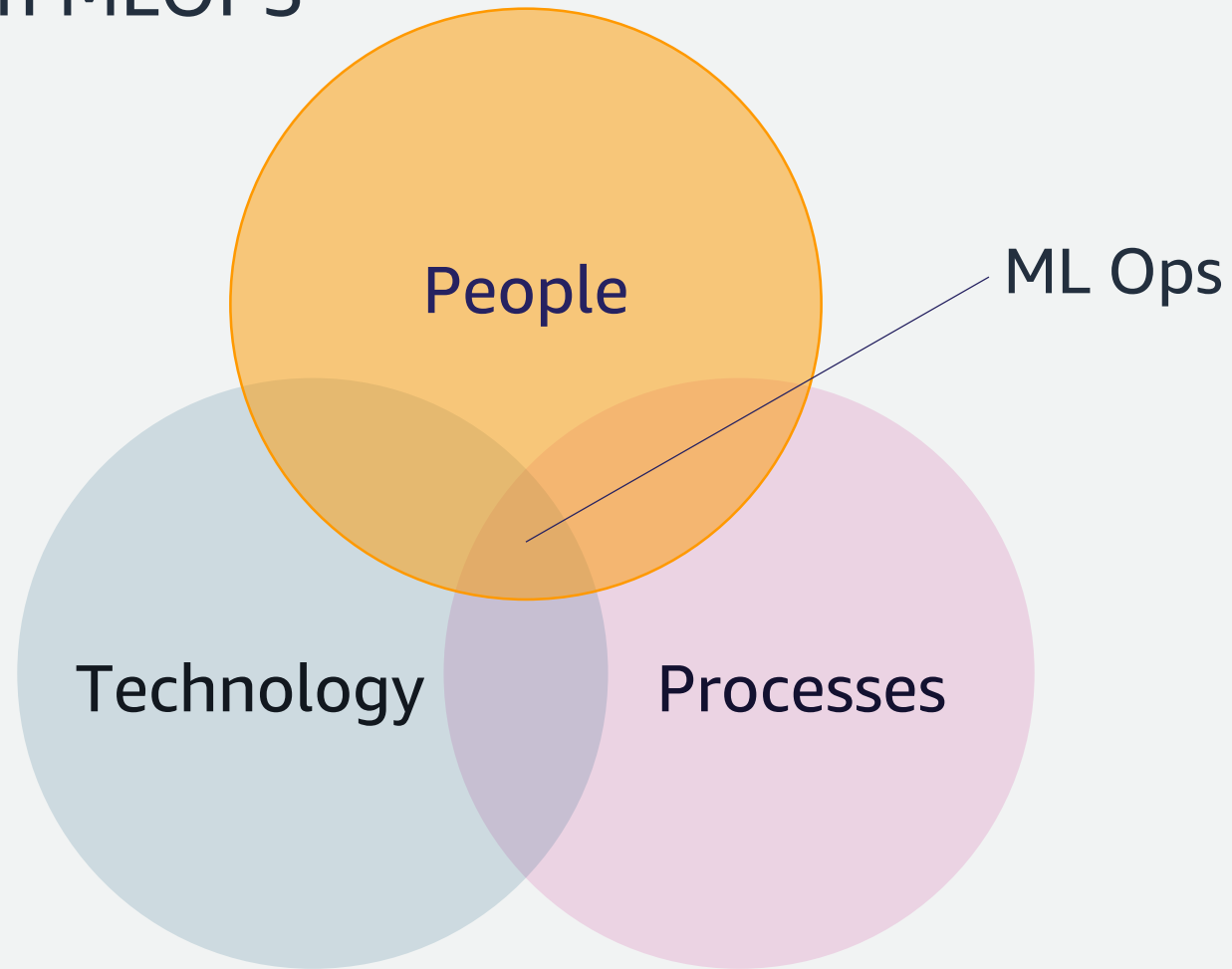


AWS MLOPS whitepaper: <https://d1.awsstatic.com/whitepapers/mlops-continuous-delivery-machine-learning-on-aws.pdf>



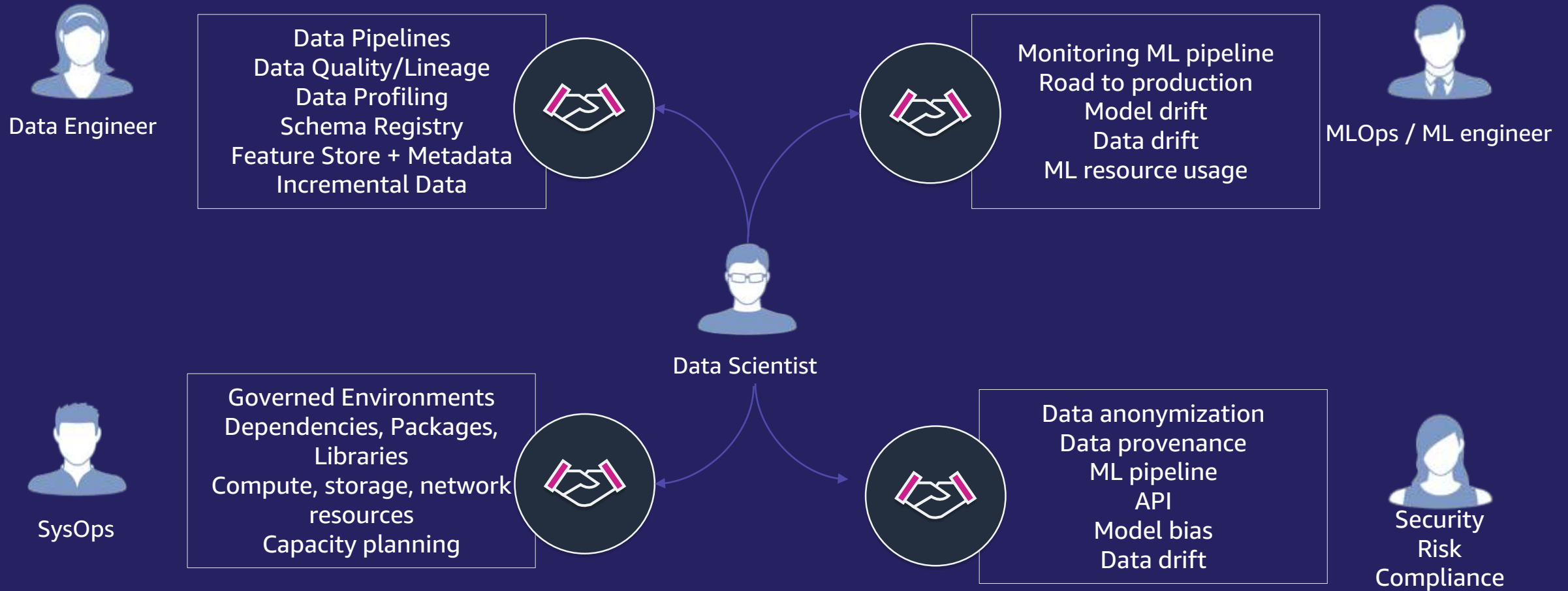
People

Personas involved in MLOPS



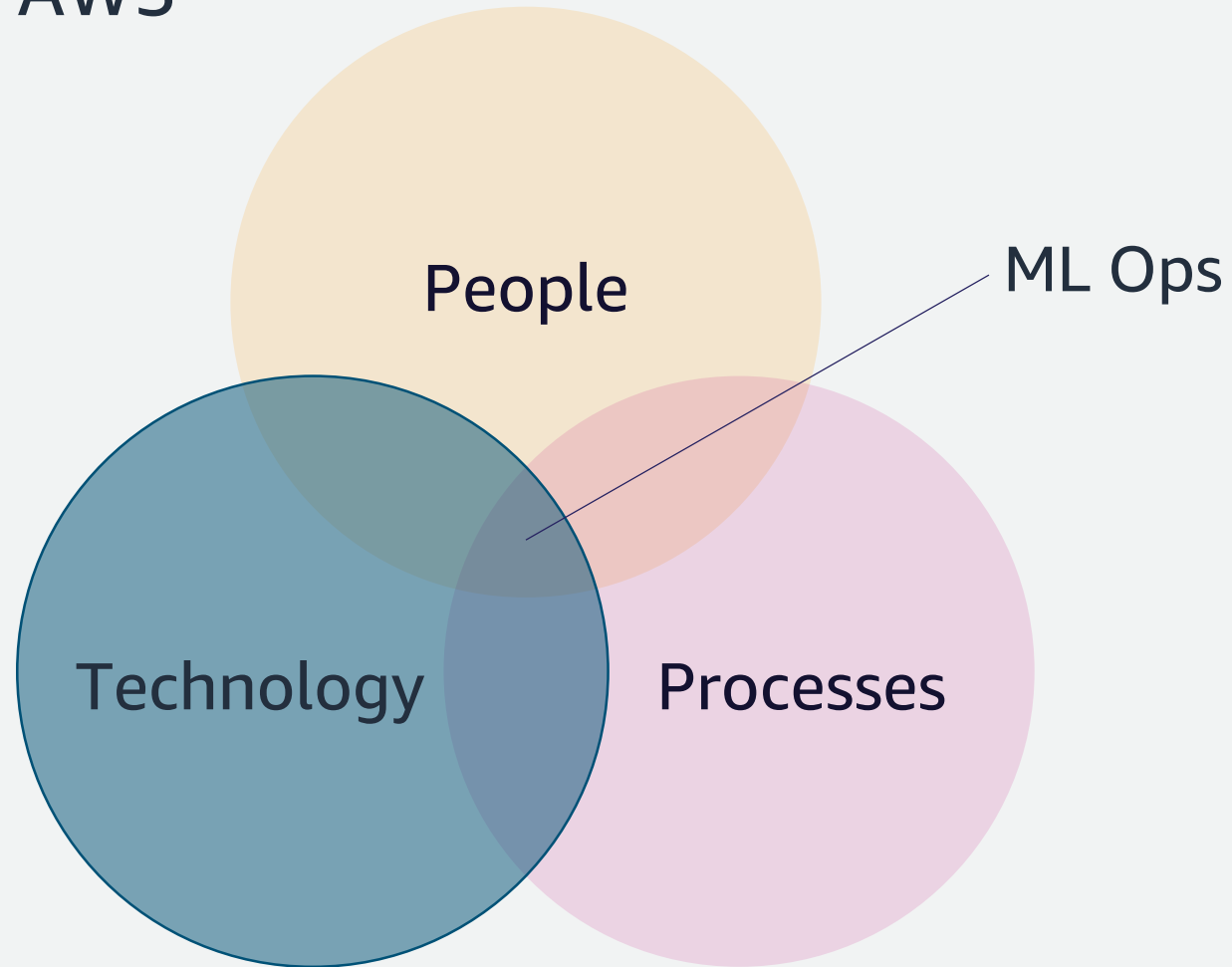
ROLE	PRIORITIES	NEEDS
 Data Scientist	Makes sense of data, generates and communicates insights to improve or create business processes, creates predictive ML models to support them	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data access • ML compute environments • Robust ML tools
 Data Engineer	Builds scalable pipelines, transforms and loads data into structures complete with metadata that can be readily consumed by the Data Scientist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ad hoc querying • Quick visualization
 Security	Risk and Compliance across the enterprise. Prevent data leakages. Audit user activity. Detect model bias.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alerts – data leakages, breaches • Reports – data, user activities
 MLOps / ML Engineer	Monitoring for reliability, quickly diagnose deployment or availability issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data drift, Model drift • Dashboards
 SysOps Engineer	Provision the right infrastructure for the right team without incurring idle resources expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity planning • Resource usage • Governance at scale
 Business Sponsor	Vetting the prioritization and ROI, funding projects, providing ongoing feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting • Results • Dashboards

ML Road to Production - Collaboration



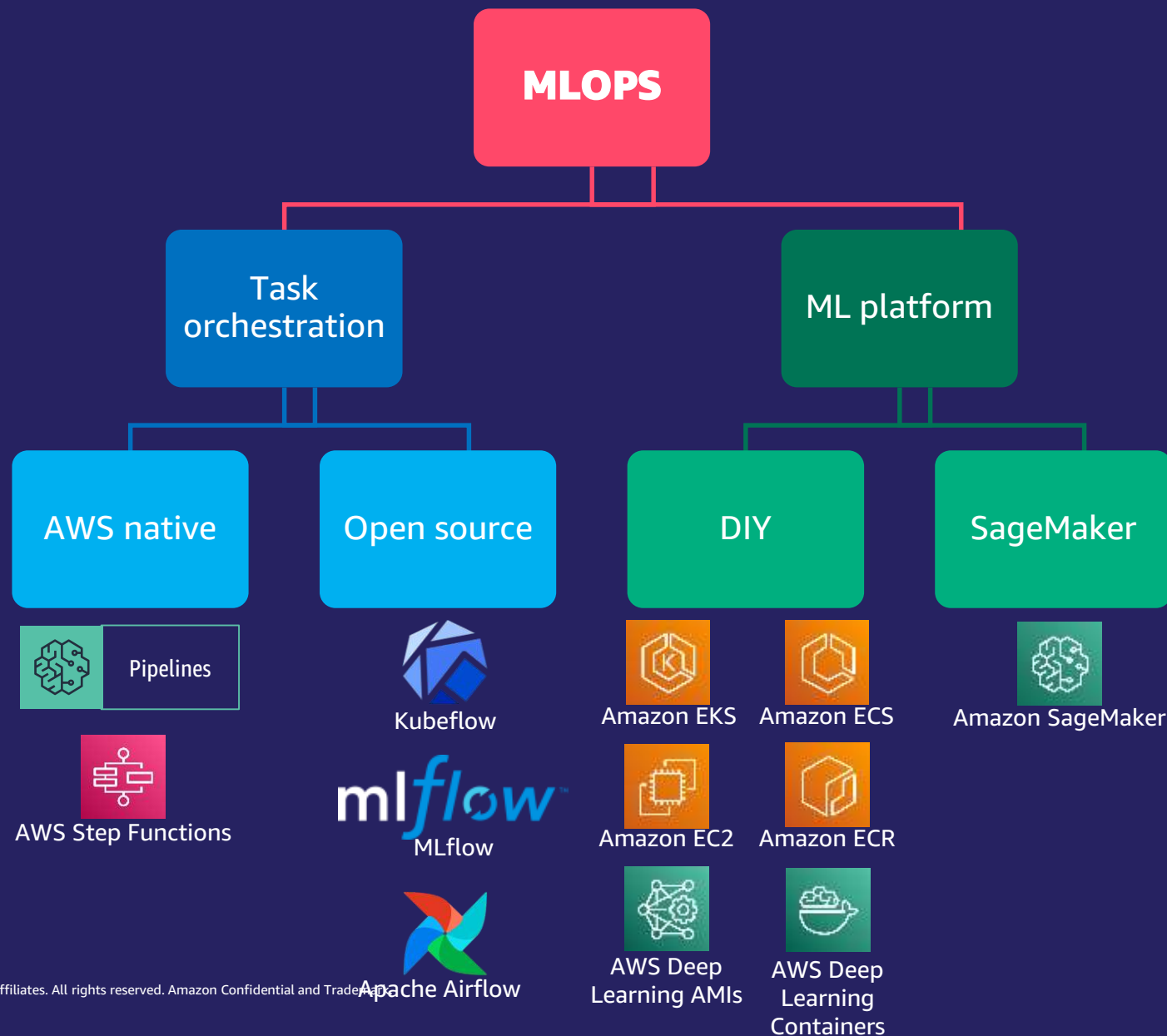
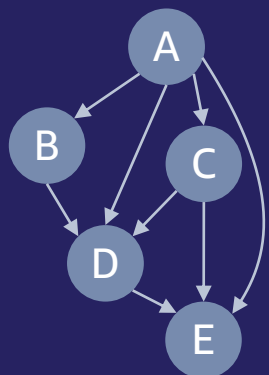
Technology

Tools for MLOPS in AWS



Technology components in MLOps

- Create and manage workflows
- Automate ML steps & pipelines
- Implement CI/CD
- Form a Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)



- ML development, experimentation, collaboration
- Compute/training environment
- Model registry
- Feature store
- Model deployment
- Monitoring in production
- Hyperparameter optimization
- Dataset management

Task orchestration options

Open source 3rd party options



MLflow

Open source platform for the ML lifecycle



Apache Airflow

Platform to author, schedule and monitor workflows



Kubeflow

ML toolkit for Kubernetes

Native AWS options



AWS Step Functions

Serverless pipeline orchestration



Amazon SageMaker Pipelines

Managed ML pipelines in SageMaker Studio

Native integration with SageMaker

Apache Airflow

- SageMaker Operators in Apache Airflow (managed Airflow service)



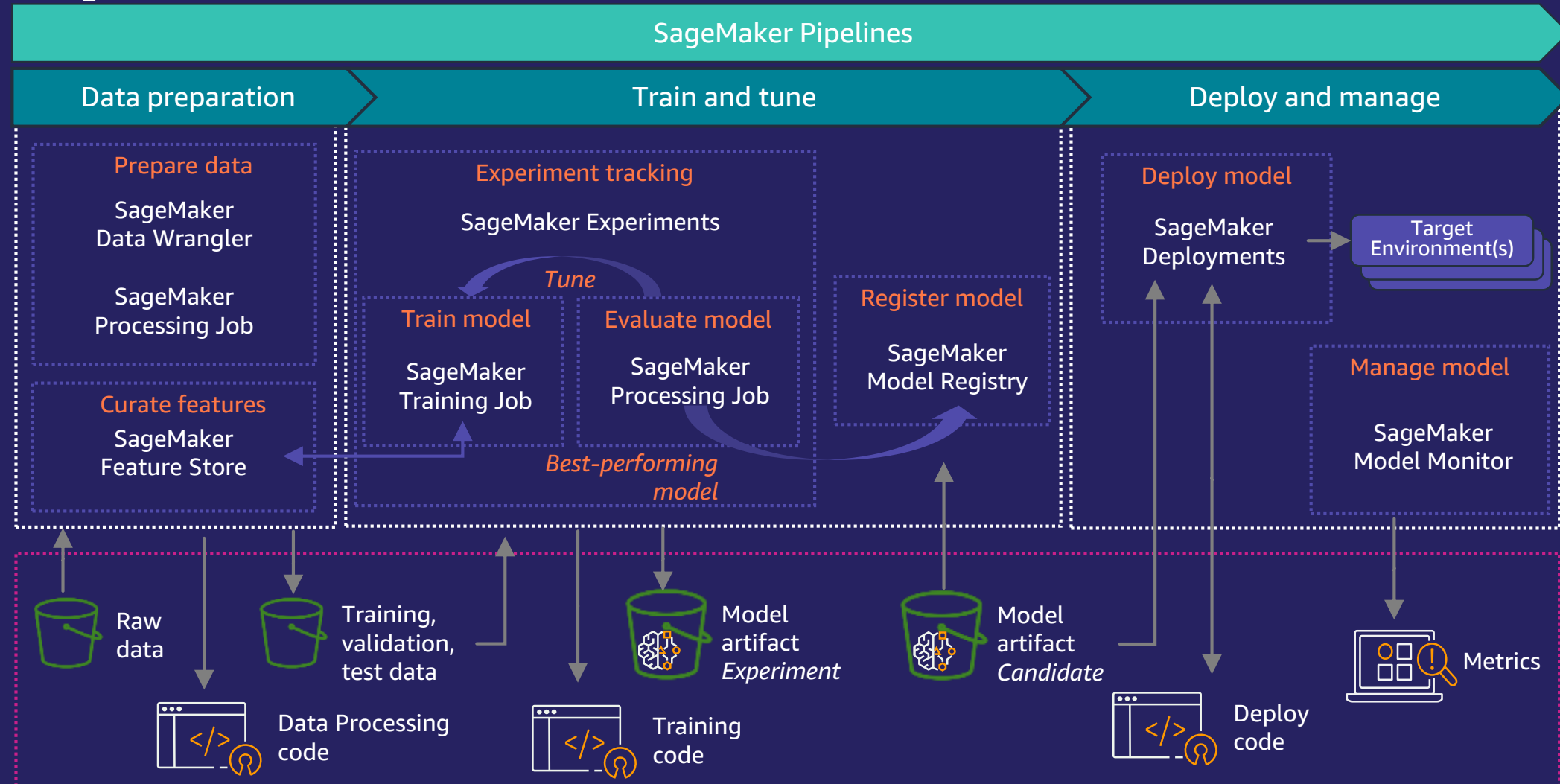
Amazon Managed Workflows for Apache Airflow

Kubeflow & Kubernetes

- SageMaker Components for Kubeflow Pipelines
- SageMaker Operators for Kubernetes



Amazon SageMaker MLOps-ready features and capabilities



SageMaker Pipelines



Python SDK for quickly
and easily building ML
workflows

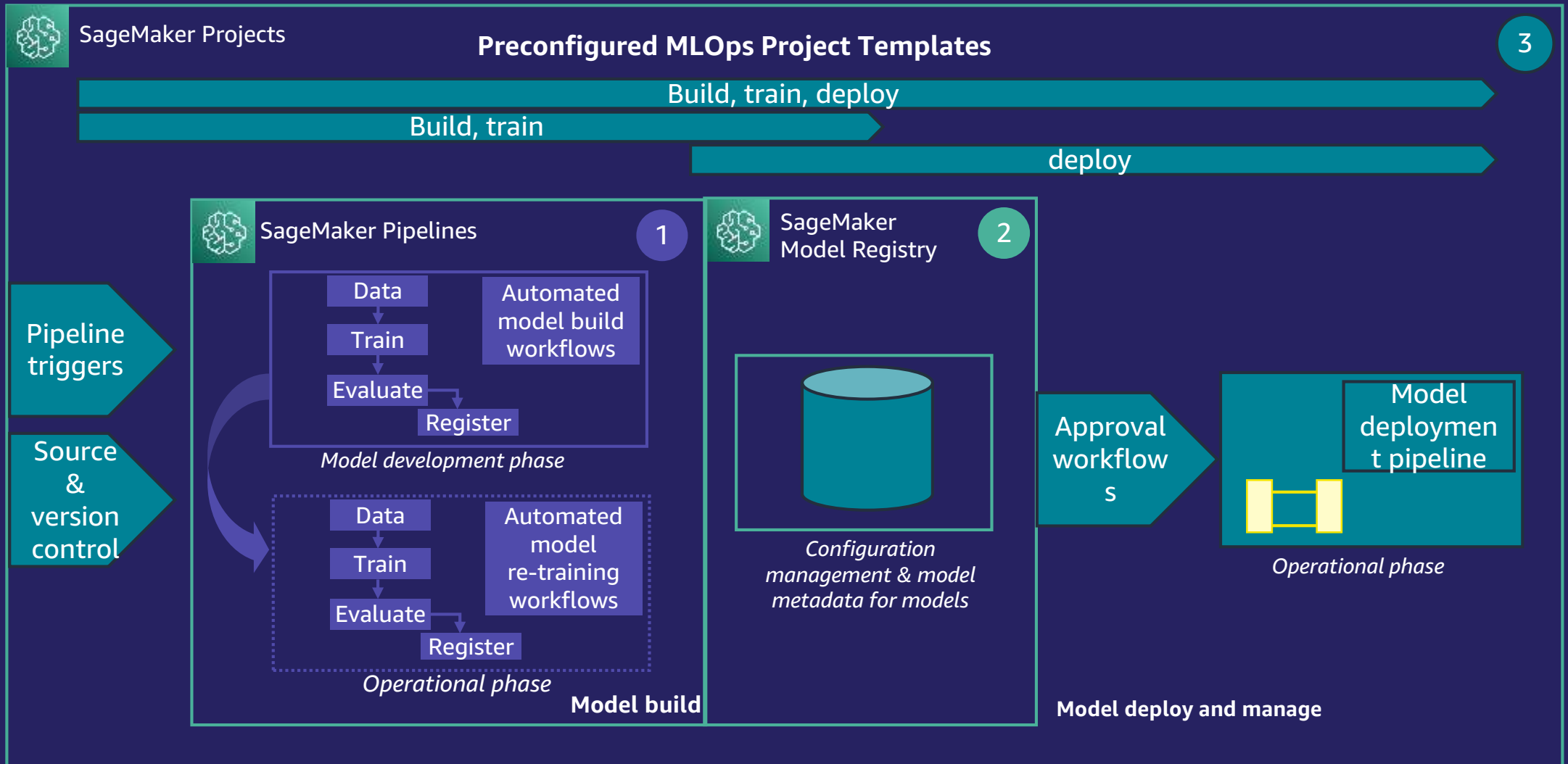


Catalog models to
manage models at
scale and trigger
automated
deployment workflows



Built-in support for
CI/CD and end-to-end
lineage tracking

SageMaker Pipelines: components



Demo – Amazon SageMaker: Projects and Pipelines



Games24x7 Introduction



Games24x7 Challenges

- Loss of productivity due to overhead of managing the ML platform.
- Too many tools and interfaces to process data for Machine learning.
- Difficult and slow collaboration between different teams.
- The scale at which models are experimented and deployed by each Data Scientist.
- Tracking multiple models in production and routinely monitor their performance.
- No automation to understand data drift or model drift and re-training of the model is not deterministic.

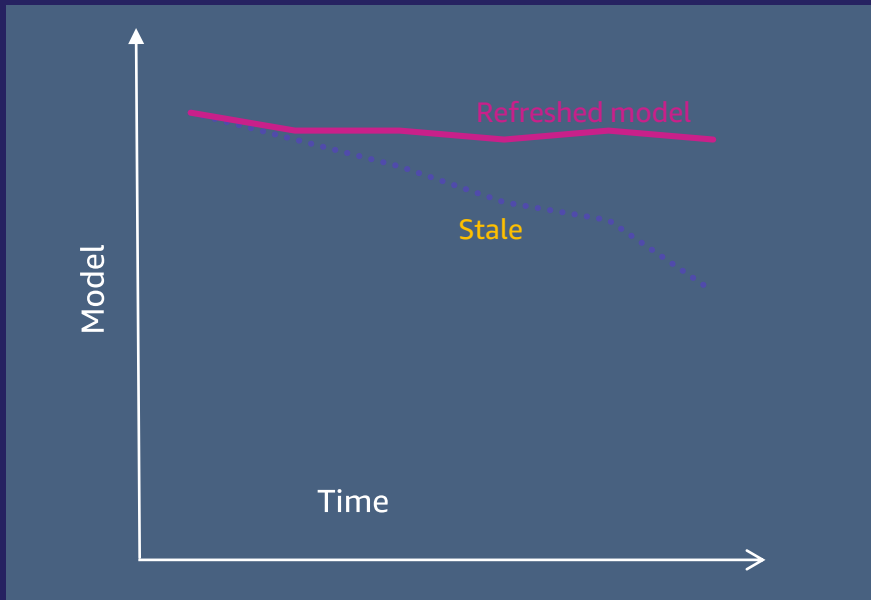


Operationalizing Model Monitoring with Amazon SageMaker Model Monitor



What happens after the model deployment ?

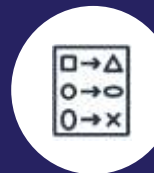
Deploying a model is not the end. You need to continuously monitor models in production and iterate.



Model accuracy
degrade over time



Bias/change in feature
attributions



Concept drift due to
divergence of data

Amazon SageMaker Model Monitor

Continuous monitoring of models in production



Automatic data collection

Data collected from endpoints is stored in Amazon S3



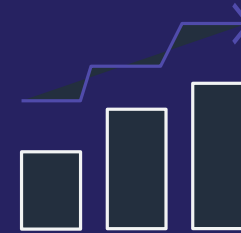
Continuous monitoring

Define a monitoring schedule and detect changes in quality against a pre-defined baseline



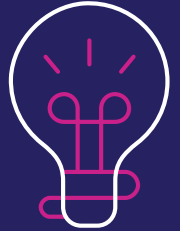
Flexible Monitoring Rules

Use built-in rules to detect drift or write your own rules for custom analysis



Visual data analysis

See monitoring results, data statistics, and violation reports in Amazon SageMaker Studio; Analyze in Notebooks



CloudWatch integration

Metrics emitted to Amazon CloudWatch make it easy to alarm and automate corrective actions



Monitoring Types Supported

- Model Monitor supports monitoring and detection of following types of drift

Data Quality

- **Detect divergence in data**
 - Real time data capture from endpoints
 - Define Baseline
 - Pre-built container for analysis
 - Support custom analysis
 - Type, Num Present, Num Missing
 - Mean, Sum, Std_Dev
 - KLL Sketch

Model Quality

- **Detect quality degradation over time**
 - Merge predictions with ground truth
 - Compare predictions to ground truth
 - Generate reports and violations
 - MAE, RMSE, F1

Model Bias

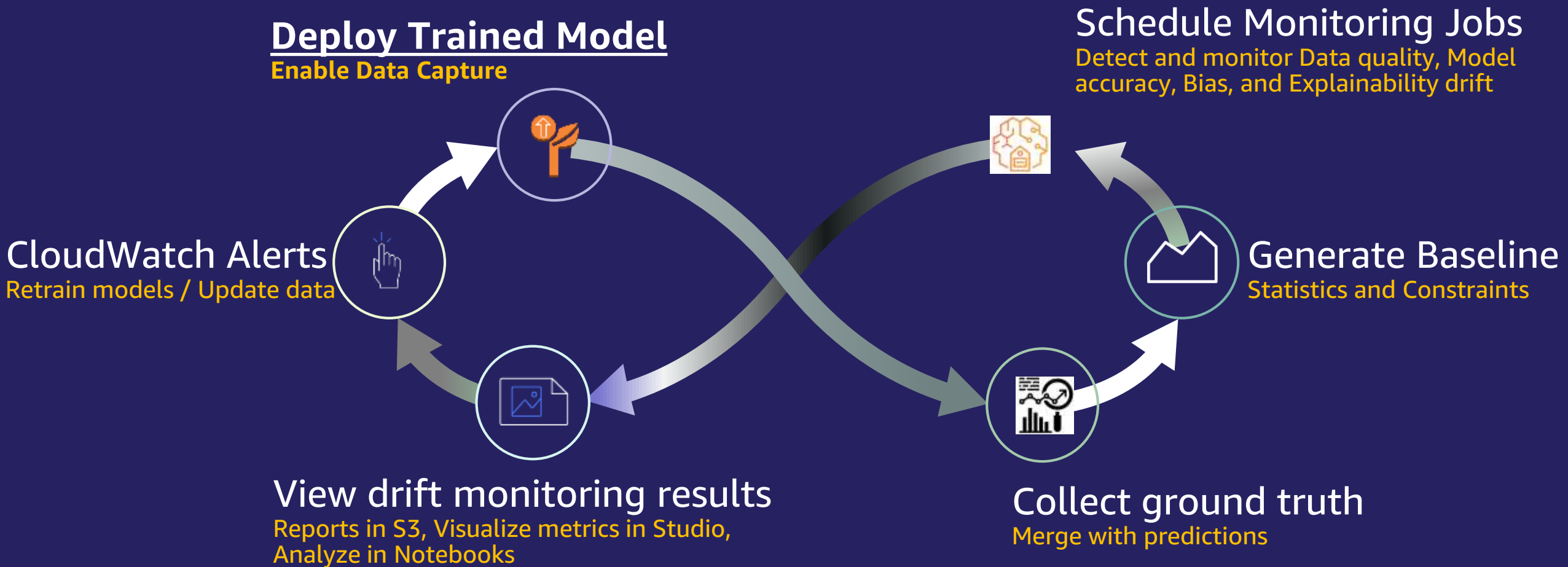
- **Feature Attribution**
 - How much each feature contributed to predictions
 - Shapley Values

Model Explainability

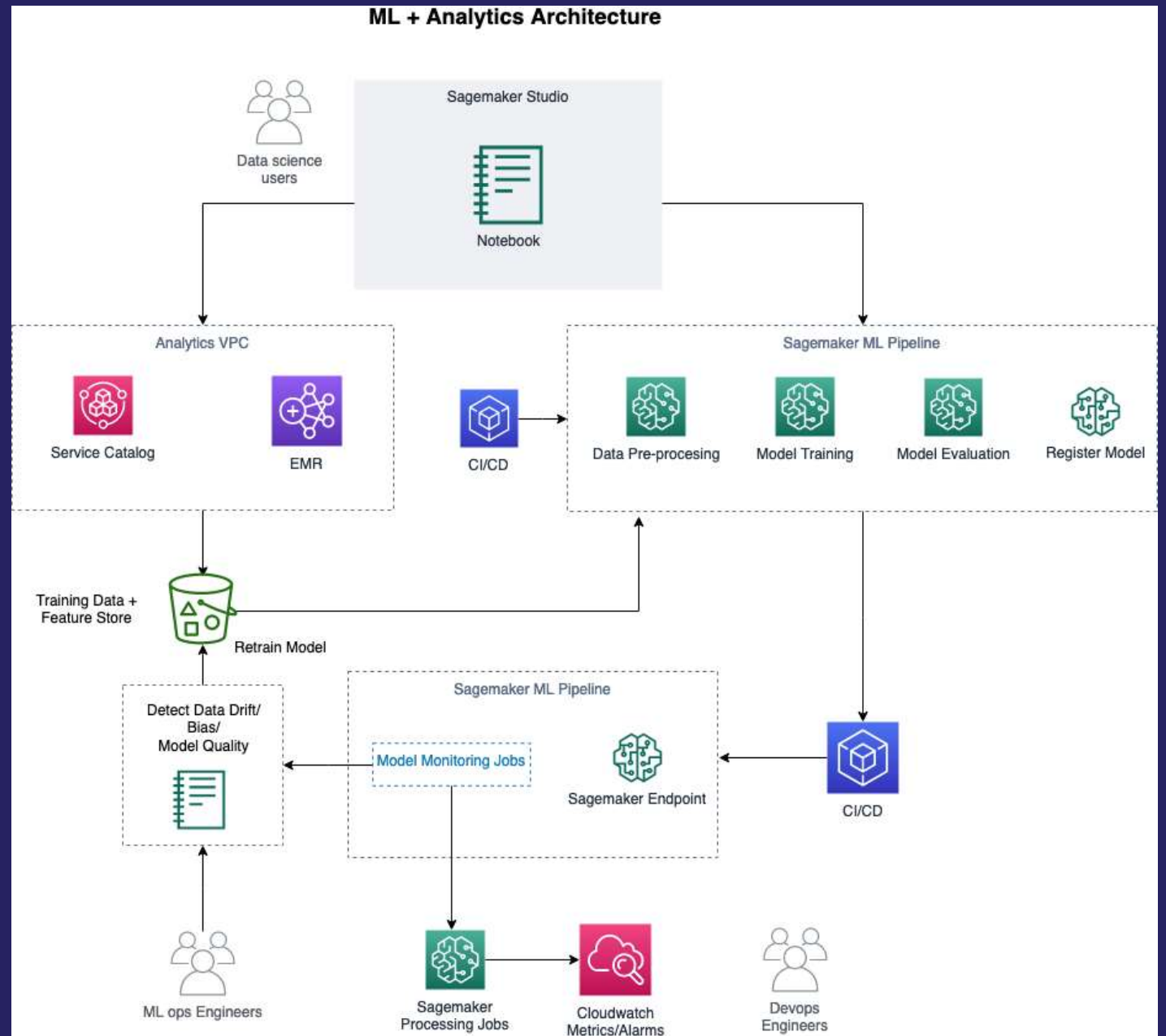
- **Track model balance**
 - Overfitting
 - Underfitting
 - Class Imbalance
 - DPL
 - KL Divergence
 - LP-Norm



Model Monitor – how it works



ML Platform architecture – In progress



Way Forward

- Self service platform for model/notebook as a service with EMR/Spark/Hive/Presto using SageMaker Studio.
- Monitoring and detecting drift in our models using SageMaker Studio.
- Standardize MLOps practices as we scale.



Further resources



Further resources

AWS White papers

- AWS MLOPS: <https://d1.awsstatic.com/whitepapers/mlops-continuous-delivery-machine-learning-on-aws.pdf>
- AWS Well-Architected Framework for Machine Learning: <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/wellarchitected/latest/machine-learning-lens/wellarchitected-machine-learning-lens.pdf>
- SageMaker Workshop: <https://catalog.us-east-1.prod.workshops.aws/workshops/63069e26-921c-4ce1-9cc7-dd882ff62575/en-US/>
- Deep Learning on AWS: https://d1.awsstatic.com/whitepapers/Deep_Learning_on_AWS.pdf
- Amazon SageMaker Total Cost of Ownership: https://pages.awscloud.com/rs/112-TZM-766/images/Amazon_SageMaker_TCO_uf.pdf

AWS MLOPS Framework

<https://aws.amazon.com/solutions/implementations/aws-mlops-framework/>



Further resources

Self-paced workshops & repositories

- MLOPS across 4 personas: <https://github.com/imyoungyang/myAWSStudyBlog/tree/master/ml-ops-poc>
- Data Science on AWS (ML end-to-end pipeline): <https://github.com/data-science-on-aws/workshop>
- Amazon SageMaker MLOps, with classic CI/CD tools: <https://github.com/awslabs/amazon-sagemaker-mlops-workshop>
- Basic SageMaker MLOps: <https://github.com/aws-samples/mlops-amazon-sagemaker-devops-with-ml>
- Serverless ML pipeline: <https://github.com/dylan-tong-aws/aws-serverless-ml-pipeline>
- Operationalizing the ML pipeline: <https://operational-machine-learning-pipeline.workshop.aws/>
- Safe MLOps deployment pipeline: <https://mlops-safe-deployment-pipeline.workshop.aws/>
- MLOps and integrations: <https://mlops-and-integrations.workshop.aws/>





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