Part 4 - Reflection & Workflow Diagram

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The most challenging part of the AI development workflow is typically the Data Preprocessing stage. This is because:

- **Data Quality Issues**: Real-world data is often messy, incomplete, or inconsistent, requiring extensive cleaning and validation
- Feature Engineering: Determining which features to extract, transform, or create requires domain expertise and experimentation
- Scale and Complexity: Processing large datasets efficiently while maintaining data integrity can be computationally intensive
- **Domain-Specific Requirements**: Different AI applications (NLP, computer vision, time series) require specialized preprocessing techniques

Q2: How would you improve your approach with more time/resources?

With additional time and resources, I would improve the approach by:

- 1. **Automated Data Pipeline**: Implement automated data validation and preprocessing pipelines using tools like Apache Airflow or Prefect
- 2. **A/B Testing Framework**: Set up systematic experimentation to compare different preprocessing techniques and model architectures
- 3. **MLOps Integration**: Implement comprehensive model versioning, monitoring, and automated retraining using MLflow or Weights & Biases
- 4. **Cross-functional Collaboration**: Involve domain experts earlier in the process for better feature engineering and validation
- 5. **Scalable Infrastructure**: Utilize cloud-native solutions (Azure ML, AWS SageMaker) for distributed training and deployment

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