



# Cloud, On-Prem, and People

A Practical Guide to Advanced Analytics and ML Adoption

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# By way of Introduction

- **Vertica is 11+ years and growing**
  - I've been with Vertica 7+ years
- **We sit between data sources, orchestration tools, and consumers**
  - Storing, Organizing, Transforming, and providing Offload
  - Some of the biggest, but also many small, including OEM/Embedded
  - Many User Stories to share
- **Varying Objectives and Maturity**
  - But everybody wants to leverage what they have and gain flexibility

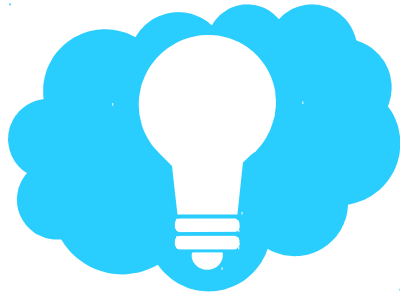
## 4 Common Needs

### Data Discovery Projects



Understand value  
before committing  
big \$\$\$

### Unlocking “Dark” Data



Reduce Barriers to  
Leveraging  
Underutilized Data

### Performance at Scale



Cost Effective,  
Elastic, Capable

### Overcoming Silos



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  - Prices start as low as 50 cents per hour

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- **Self-Service means knowing the answer during a meeting**

- Why follow up when you can do it live
- Individual Discovery becomes Company Culture

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- **Spark, Python are Hot**
  - Practices are becoming established and people are growing their skills

# Vertica Machine Learning Process Flow



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- **Elastic Consumption is a Given, even On-Prem**

- There are cost savings to buying in bulk, but purchasing ahead of demand is becoming the exception rather than the norm

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- **Cloud-Native Databases can, but can get expensive**

- \$10,000 for a query is what one customer shared with me ...we can do better
- Our Vision: highly leveraged tables in-database, everything else as external tables in cheap object storage

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- **Dependency Graphs and Access Counters**

- Who depends on data produced by Group A, and how leveraged is that data

# Thank You