

# Day 12: MLflow Basics

From Experiment Tracking to Model Registry

14 DAYS AI CHALLENGE

Tracking the Invisible

# The Mission Objectives

In this session, we will execute a complete MLflow lifecycle run within a Databricks environment. Success is defined by four key milestones.



## 1. Train

Build a simple regression model using Scikit-Learn.



## 2. Log

Capture parameters, metrics, and model artifacts.



## 3. View

Verify the experiment results in the MLflow UI.



## 4. Compare

Analyze run performance and run history.

# The Toolkit

Initializing the necessary libraries for tracking and modeling.

```
import mlflow
import mlflow.sklearn
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

## Lifecycle Management

The core library that handles the tracking server and experiment organization.

## Autologging Flavor

Specialized utilities to bridge Scikit-Learn models with MLflow artifacts.

## The Estimator

Standard OLS regression algorithm from Scikit-Learn.

# Data Preparation: The Micro-Batch

```
sample_data = pd.DataFrame({  
    'views': [1, 2],  
    'cart_adds': [0, 1],  
    'purchases': [0, 1]  
})  
df = spark.createDataFrame(sample_data)  
df = df.toPandas()
```

*Note: We are intentionally creating a tiny 2-row dataset for demonstration mechanics.*

pandas DataFrame

views	cart_adds	purchases
1	0	0
2	1	1

Total Size:  
2 Rows

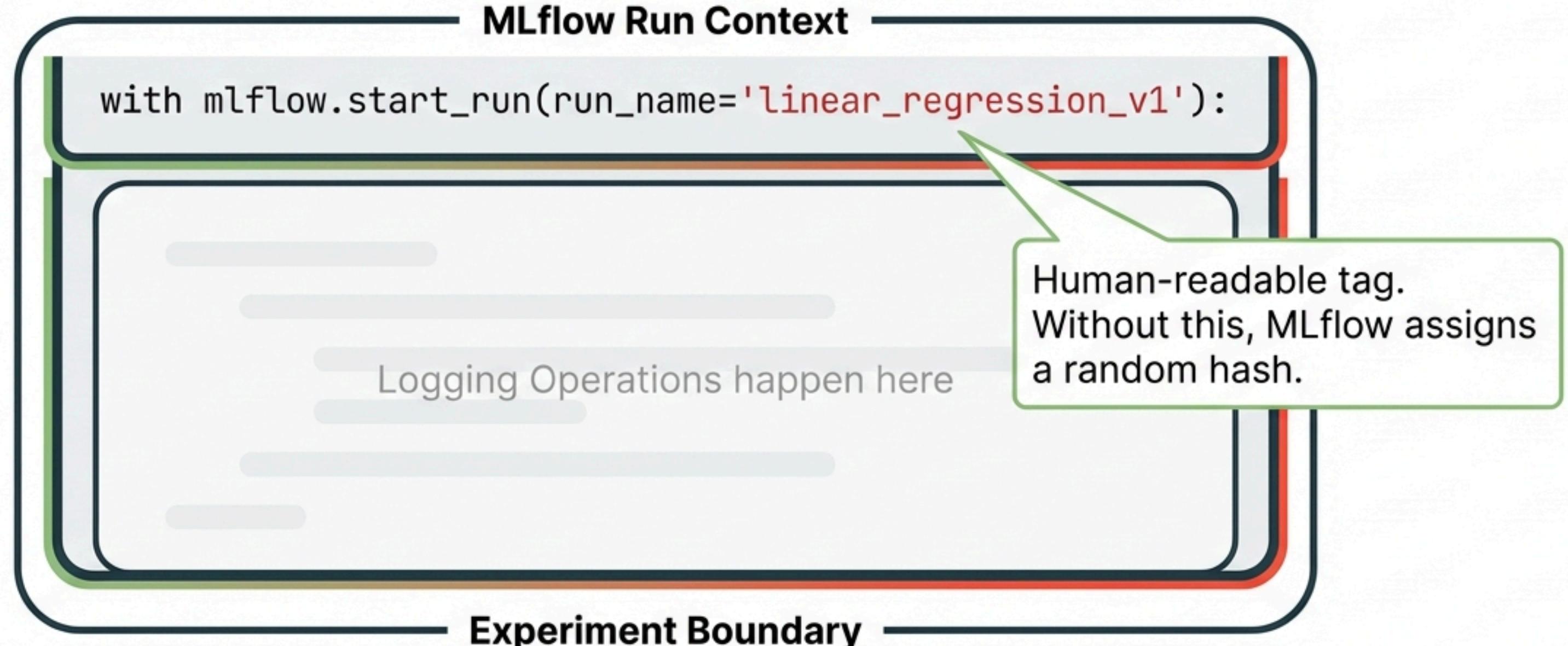
# Defining the Training Ground

```
x = df[['views', 'cart_adds']]  
y = df['purchases']  
  
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.2)
```



Reference the `train_test_split` code line.

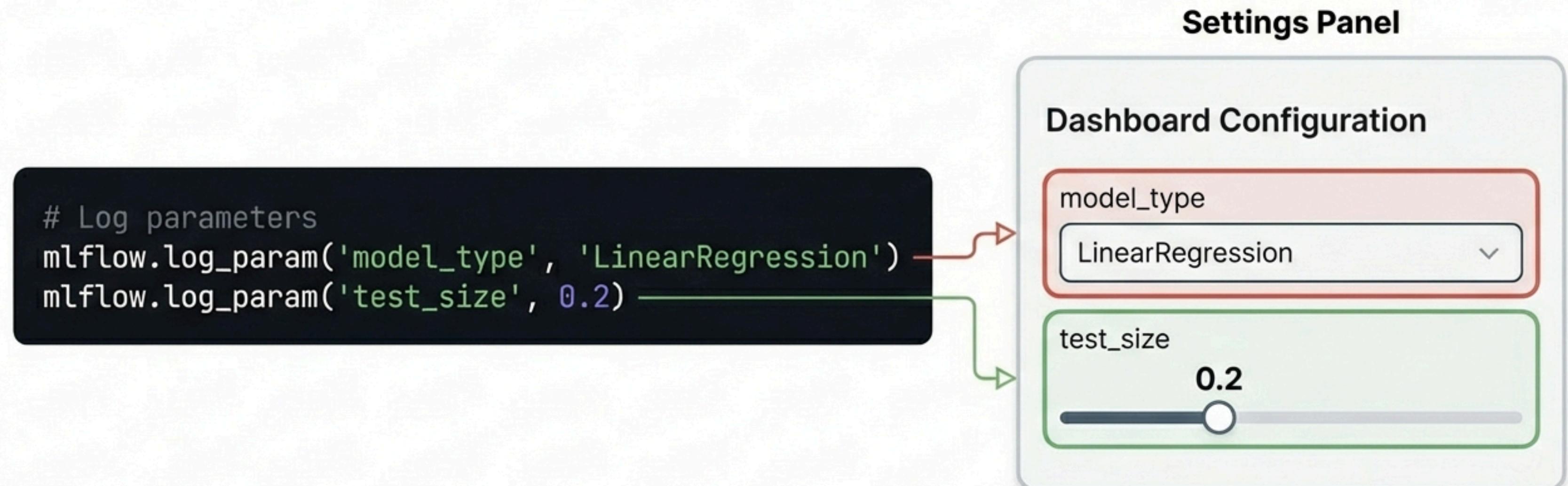
# Initiating the Run



Reference the **start\_run** code block.

# Step 1: Logging Parameters

Tracking the inputs configuration.



# The Training Loop

Standard Scikit-Learn execution flow

```
model = LinearRegression()
```

Initialization



```
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
```



Fitting / Learning

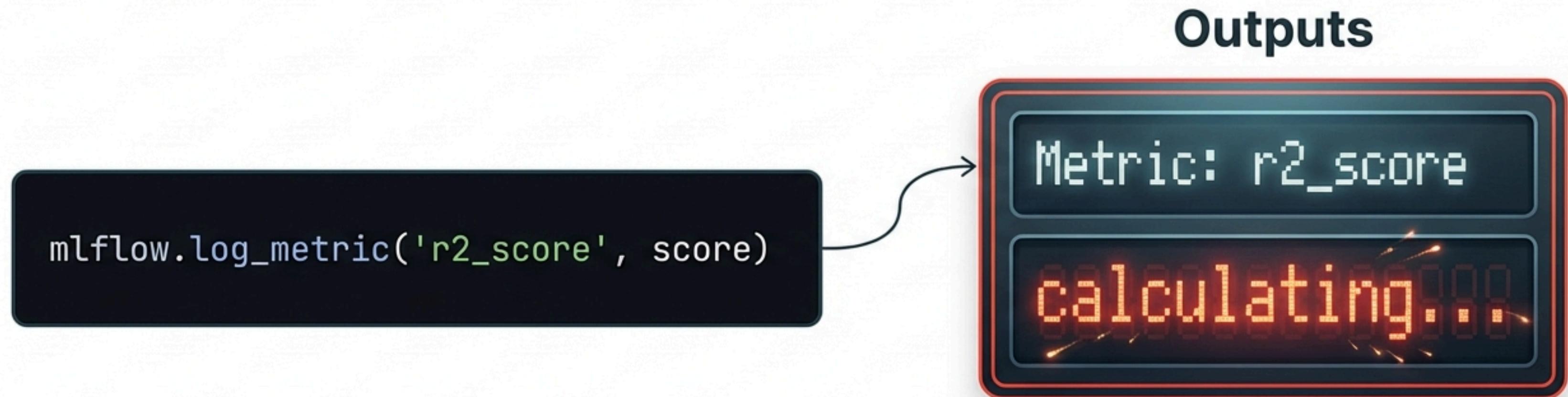


```
score = model.score(X_test, y_test)
```

Evaluation

# Step 2: Logging Metrics

Tracking the performance outputs.



Metrics are **quantitative** measures (Accuracy, MSE, R2) produced **AFTER** training.

# Reality Check: The Data Warning

## Incident

### WARNING

UndefinedMetricWarning: R^2 score is not well-defined with less than two samples.

R^2 Score: nan

## The Explanation

1. Dataset Size: 2 Rows



2. Test Split (20%): < 1 Row



3. Variance Calculation: Requires  
>= 2 samples. Result = Undefined.

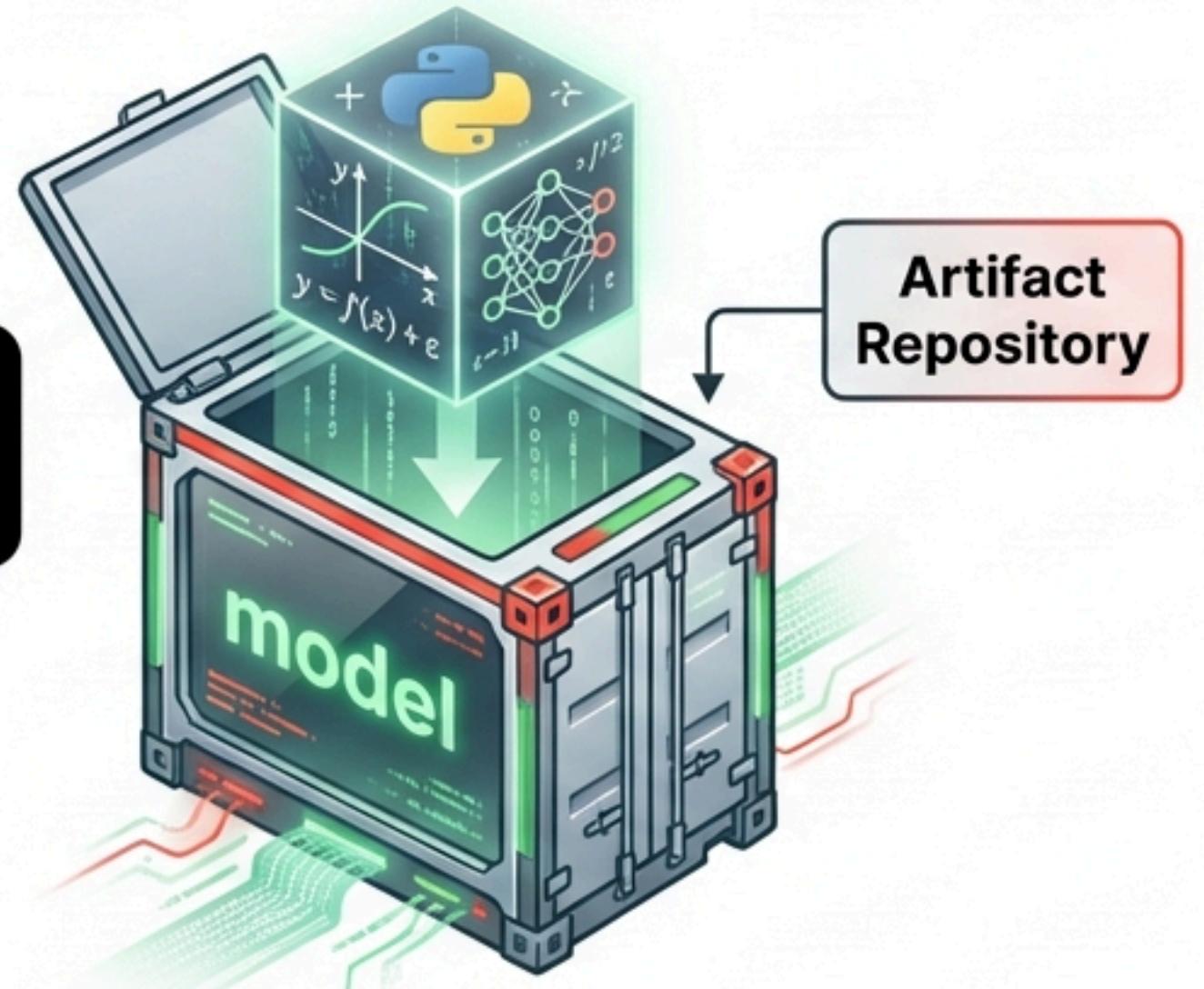
## takeaway

The code logic is correct, but the data volume is **insufficient**. This results in 'Not a Number' metric.

# Step 3: Immortalizing the Model

Saving the artifact for future inference.

```
mlflow.sklearn.log_model(model, 'model')
```



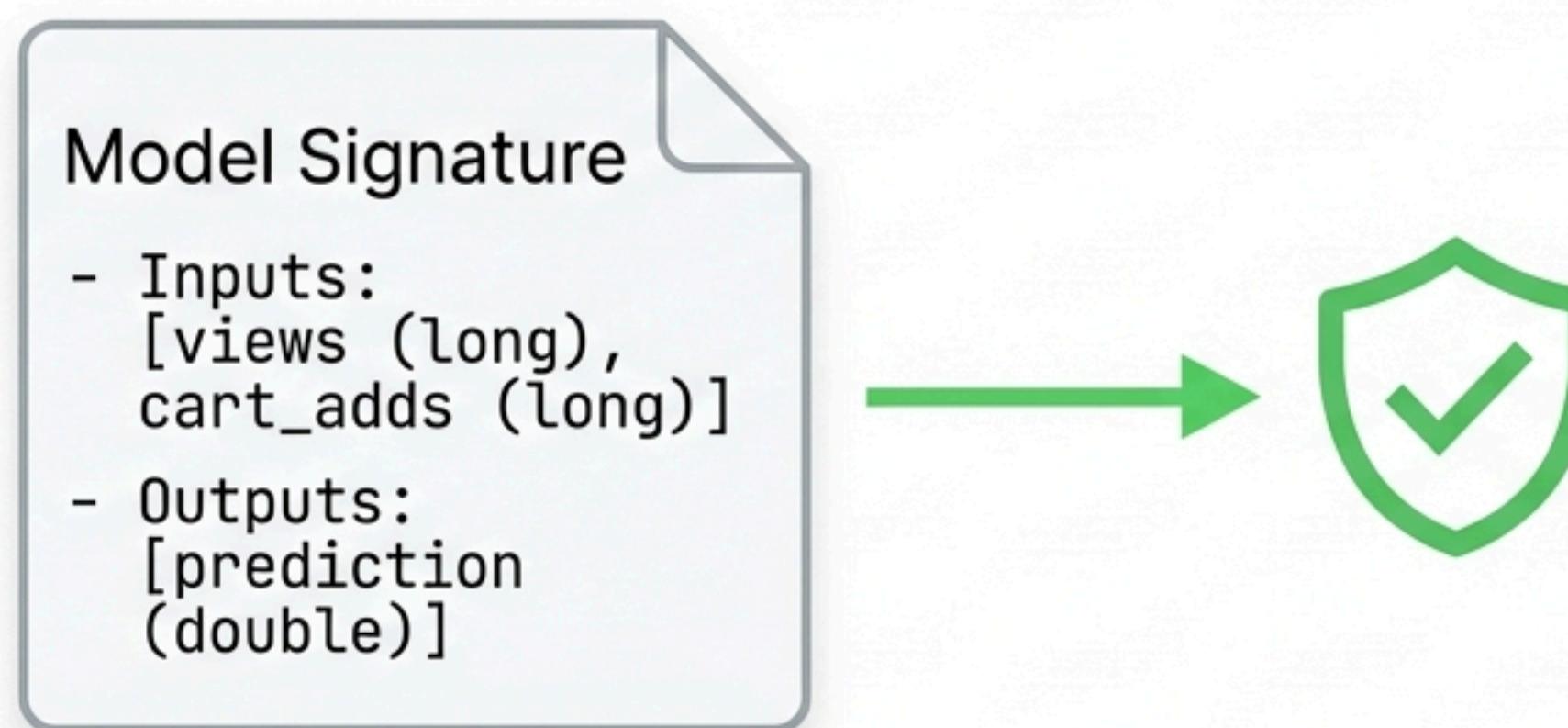
This step **serializes the model object**. It can now be loaded from the MLflow UI or API for prediction in any other environment.

# Pro-Tip: Model Signatures

## The Warning

**WARNING:** Model logged without a signature and input example. Please set 'input\_example' parameter when logging the model to auto infer the model signature.

## The Solution



Signatures define the expected input schema. This prevents downstream errors when serving the model to production API endpoints.

# The MLflow UI View

## Visualizing the Experiment Run

Run Name   Date	Date	Source	Parameters	Metrics	Artifacts
linear_regression_v1	Just now	Notebook	<b>model_type:</b> LinearRegression <b>test_size:</b> 0.2	<b>r2_score:</b> nan	

Result of "Logged 1 run" in notebook

# Mission Debrief

Train simple regression model

[COMPLETED]

Log parameters & metrics

[COMPLETED]

Log model artifacts

[COMPLETED]

Compare runs

[PARTIAL - DATA LIMIT]

The pipeline is functional. The mechanics of MLflow are verified.

# Next Steps

## Scale Up



Swap the dummy data for a real dataset (e.g., Boston Housing) to fix the variance issue.

## Verify



Re-run the notebook and observe a valid 'r2\_score' in the logs.

## Explore



Add the 'input\_example' parameter to your `log_model` call to fix the signature warning.

## Day 12 Complete