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Data & Al Build a Competitive Moat

Faster Innovation

Higher Merchant ROI

Recurring Platform Fees

Combining these advantages strengthens Shopify's market leadership and merchant loyalty.





Transformative Impact of Real-Time AI



Kafka Streams

5% increase in customer retention, resulting in a ~\$8 million boost annually



Vector-Powered Recommendations

\$4M external revenue



New Revenue Stream

Driving Over 15% EBIT Growth



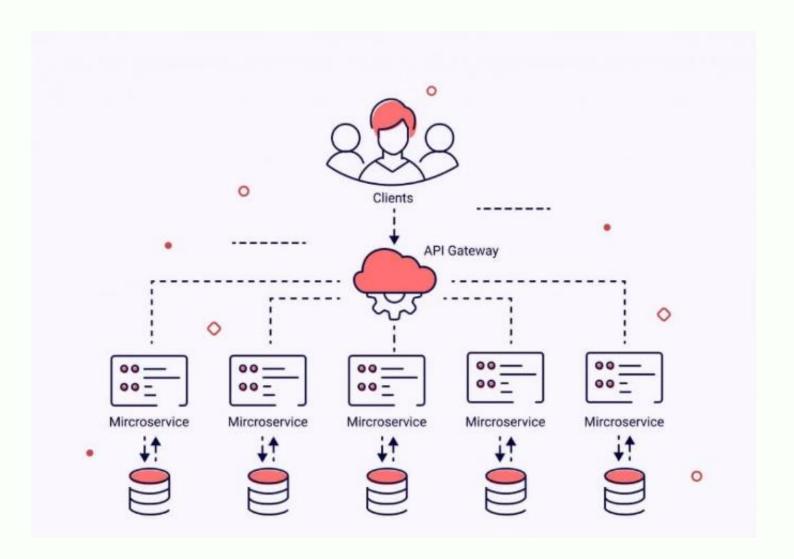
Monolithic Stack to Lakehouse & Feature Store

Current State



- Batch ETL jobs
- No catalog
- No feature store

Target State



- Real-time streams
- Governed lineage
- Consistent ML features



Three High-Impact Pilot Use Cases



Churn Prediction

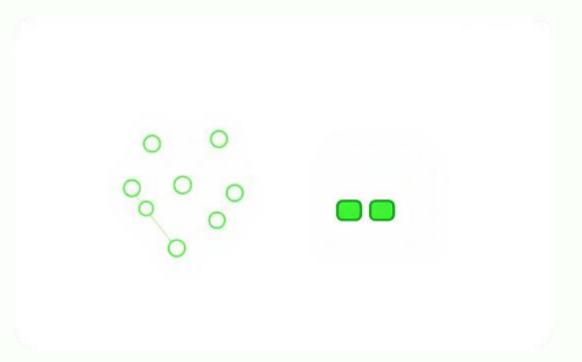
\$8M/yr value, fresh scores boost retention



Self-Service Analytics

\$1.2M savings, sub-second queries for 1000+ users

Unlocking over \$13 million in value!



Commerce Intelligence API

\$4M revenue, stable contracts, fast time-to-market

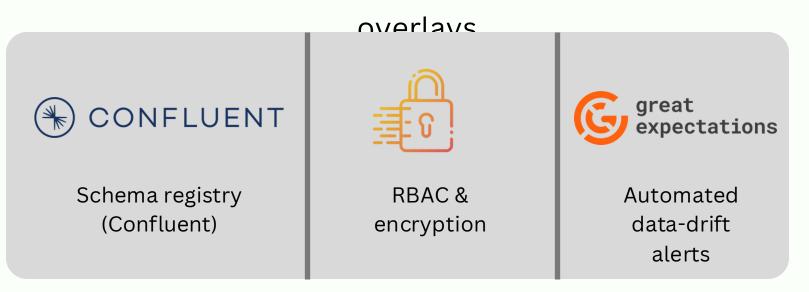


Overview of the Data & AI Foundation of architecture and governance overlays

Architecture tech

stack & kafka Kafka/Kinesis Feature store (Feast/SageMaker) for event ingestion (pub/sub). for consistent model inputs. Data Lakehouse Weaviate (Delta/Snowflake) unifies batch & streaming. Apache Atlas Metadata catalog (Apache Atlas, AWS Glue) with end-to-end lineage.

Governance





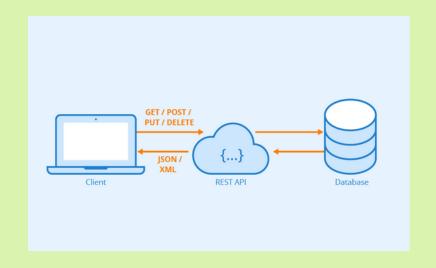
A governed Lakehouse fosters trustteams spin up new analytics products without lengthy vetting.



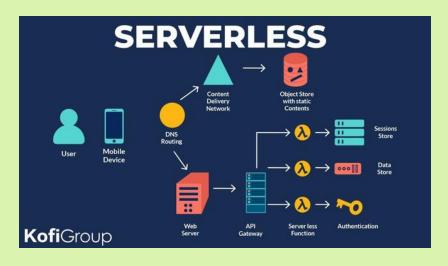
Feature store + drift detectioncuts model breakage by 70 %, preserving ROI on AI investments.



We proposed these **Product Portfolio & Packaging,** and governance, value to our end-users



REST-ful API gateway (Kong/Apigee) for controlled external access.



Serverless functions (AWS Lambda) for event-driven alert generation.



Embeddable UI components (React + shadcn/ui) for consistent dashboards.

Governance &

Value

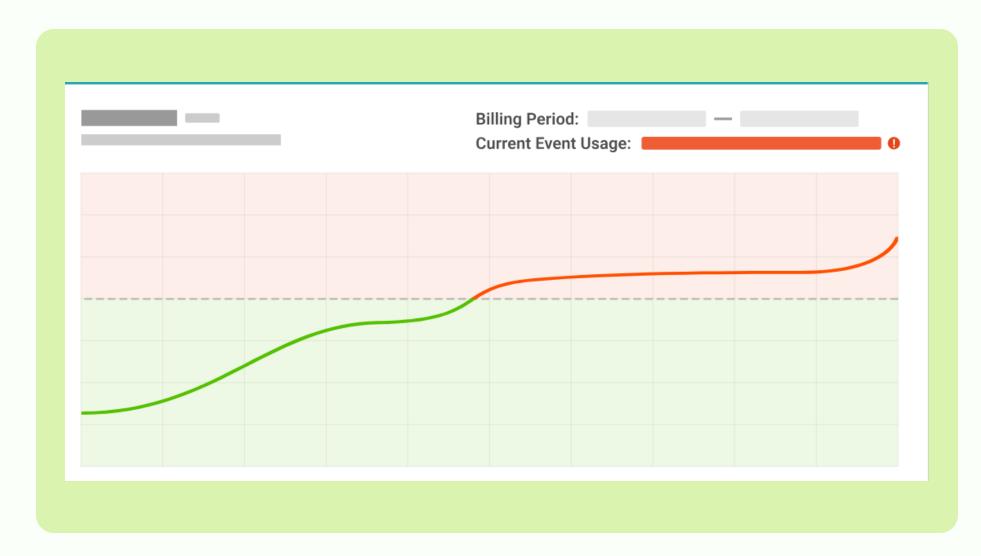
API gateway enforces quotas, rate limits, and request-level auditing (security/compliance)

Serverless alerts scale to zero when idle (cost-efficient, measurable ROI)

Shared UI components give consistent UX and reduce dev effort by 30 %.



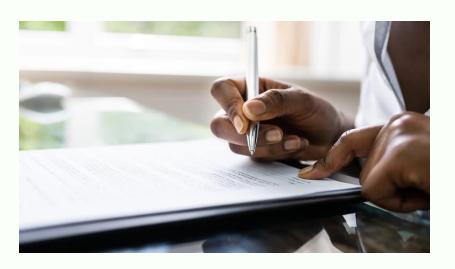
API billings allow us to **monetize** value from endusers



- Usage-based billing:
 via Stripe metered billing integration on API calls
- Tiered compute: charge more for real-time streaming access vs. daily batch exports.



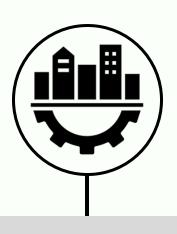
Metering requires precise event logging and audit trails (data governance must track every API call).



Data lineage ensures you can trace paid outputs back to compliant data sources—critical for external SLAs.



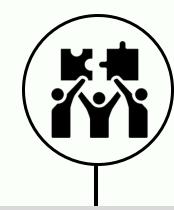
Having the right foundations and processes will **mitigate potential challenges** and **secure continuous value** creation from **Data and AI**



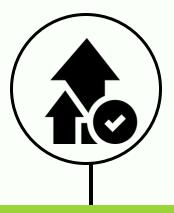
Smart Tech Infrastructure



Agile Management Processes



Implementing
Scalable Culture



Continious Business Value

- Pipelines continuously update ML models
- Use GitOps to track every change and version
- Prometheus and Grafana for dashboards and alerts of health system.

- Cross-functional agile teams
- Quarterly retrospective reports
- Mandatory data literacy training
- KPIs that promote data stewardship and accoutnability

- 80% reduction in model drift
- Faster incident response
- Decentralized ownership that facilitate data as a product



The proper AI Strategy can uplift an accelerate most parts of business operations



Time-to-Insight:

70% faster reporting (48 hrs - 6hrs)



Decison Agillity

30% quicker management reactions



Data TrustGDPR and CCPA complaince



Productivit

30% less development time engineering new tools



Adoption

80% business users certified in year 1



Innvoation

Velocity Exponential increase in complementary new product



Shopify's AI straetgy will achieve an 800% return on its Data and Al investment

API Subscriptions

\$181M/

year

Premium Analytics

\$91M/

year

Chrun reduction

\$362M/ year by 5% reduction

Analytics Efficiency

\$54M/ year through 20% productiviyt gains

Serverless Scaling

\$22M/ year

Implementaion Cost: \$90M

\$740M **Annual Value**





Q&A

Appendix

Revenue Uplift Assumption

Research Basis:

- Personalization Lift: McKinsey finds that personalization most often drives 10–15 % revenue uplift (company-specific spans 5–25 %) McKinsey & CompanyBusiness Chief.
- Omnichannel Personalization: McKinsey's "Next in Personalization" report observes 5–15 % lifts in revenue and 10–30 % marketing-spend efficiency McKinsey & Company.
- E-commerce Benchmarks: Fast-growing e-tailers report up to 40 % more revenue from personalization contentful.com.
- Process
- Surveyed leading research (McKinsey, industry blogs) on revenue uplift ranges.
- Averaged the mid-points of 10–15 % (≈12.5 %), then selected a slightly conservative 6 % adoption-adjusted uplift to account for staggered roll-out and learning curves.
- Formula

Revenue Uplift = Base Revenue \times Uplift $\% = \$8,880 \,\mathrm{M} \times 6\% = \$532.8 \,\mathrm{M}$

(Base Revenue: Shopify FY 2024 revenue of \$8.88B)



Cost Savings Assumption

Research Basis:

- Generative AI Productivity: McKinsey estimates generative AI can boost sales productivity by 3–5 % of sales expenditures McKinsey & Company.
- Serverless Efficiency: AWS + Deloitte find serverless provisioning time is 68 % faster, cutting upfront and monthly costs by up to 68 % per application Amazon Web Services, Inc..
- Compute Savings Plans: AWS Lambda Savings Plans can save up to 17 % on compute costs Amazon Web Services, Inc..
- Marketing-Spend Efficiency: Personalization can lift marketing ROI by 10–30 %, freeing budget for other uses McKinsey & Company.
- Process
- Combined projected gains from AI-driven productivity, serverless cost reductions, and analytics efficiency.
- Weighted each source conservatively (e.g., taking lower bounds) and settled on a 2 % total cost-savings of revenue.
- Formula

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Cost Savings = Base Revenue \times Savings % = $8,880 M \times 2% = $177.6 M
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(Base Revenue: Shopify FY 2024 revenue of \$8.88B)

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\begin{aligned} \text{Total Impact} &= \text{Revenue Uplift} + \text{Cost Savings} \\ &= \$532.8\,\text{M} + \$177.6\,\text{M} \\ &= \$710.4\,\text{M} \end{aligned}
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Non-Monetary Benefits (Context for Assumptions)

- Time-to-Insight: 70 % faster report cycles (48 hr→<6 hr) contentful.com
- Developer Productivity: 30 % effort reduction with feature stores & shared UI libs
- Model Reliability: Drift detection cuts breakages by 70 % McKinsey & Company
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