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1. Data Sources

Table 1: Access Date for Data Sources

Iteration/Phase	Scope	Access date of data sources used
Conceptual-to-empirical phase (C2E)	19 sources for four cases used in all three C2E iterations (C2E-1 to	May 12 2025
	C2E-3)	
Empirical-to-conceptual phase (E2C)	117 sources for 16 cases used in all four E2C iterations (E2C-1 to	May 20 2025
	E2C-4)	
Taxonomy analysis	42 sources for four cases used in Taxonomy Analysis phase	June 30 2025

Table 2: Overview of data sources for sampled cases

Iteration	Platform (Case ID)	Data Source Type	Data Source	Data Source
				(ID)
C2E-1/ C2E-2/	Superb Al	website	https://superb-ai.com/	2a
C2E-3	Suite		https://superb-ai.com/en/pricing	2b
		case studies	https://superb-ai.com/en/resources/blog/ktwiz	2c
		external	https://aimresearch.co/market-industry/superb-ai-secures-10-2m-funding-to-realize-their-vision-	2d
		publications	of-transforming-data-labeling-for-ai	
	HyperSens	website	https://hypersense.subex.com/ai-orchestration-platform/	8a
е	е		https://hypersense.subex.com/ai-resource-center/	8b
		case studies	Not relevant sources found	
		external	Not relevant sources found	
		publications		
	Snowflake	website	https://www.snowflake.com/	13a
			https://www.snowflake.com/en/pricing-options/	13b
			https://www.snowflake.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/The-Simple-Guide-to-Snowflake-	13c
			Pricing.pdf	13d
			https://other-docs.snowflake.com/en/collaboration/consumer-listings-paying	13e
			https://www.snowflake.com/use-cases/modern-data-sharing/data-sharing-rebate-program/	
		case studies	https://www.snowflake.com/thankyou/the-essential-guide-to-cloud-ai-and-data-platforms/	13f

		external publications	https://www.forbes.com/sites/kolawolesamueladebayo/2025/04/16/snowflake-ceo-says-ai-roi-starts-with-getting-the-data-right/	13g
	IBM	website	https://www.ibm.com/products/watsonx-ai/	20a
	Watson		https://www.ibm.com/new/announcements/ibm-named-a-leader-in-the-2024-gartner-magic-	20b
Studio			quadrant-for-data-and-analytics-governance-platforms	
		case studies	https://www.ibm.com/case-studies/natwest-group-watson	20c
		external	https://www.forbes.com/sites/moorinsights/2025/05/07/ibm-think-2025-showcases-	20d
		publications	watsonxdatas-role-in-generative-ai/	
			https://www.gartner.com/reviews/market/data-science-and-machine-learning-	20e
			platforms/vendor/ibm/product/ibm-watsonx	
			https://www.altexsoft.com/blog/comparing-machine-learning-as-a-service-amazon-microsoft-	20f
			azure-google-cloud-ai-ibm-watson/	
E2C-1	Barbara	website	https://www.barbara.tech/	1a
			https://www.barbara.tech/find-a-system-integrator	1b
			https://www.barbara.tech/edge-ai-platform	1c
			https://www.barbara.tech/technology	1d
			https://www.barbara.tech/pricing	1e
		case studies	https://www.barbara.tech/ebooks	1f
		external	https://gohub.vc/barbara-raises-funding/	1g
		publications	https://www.einpresswire.com/article/752842235/barbara-to-equip-iberdrola-with-edge-	1h
			computing-firmware-for-secondary-substation	
	Amazon	website	https://aws.amazon.com/sagemaker/pricing/	10a
	SageMaker		https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/	10b
			https://aws.amazon.com/sagemaker/	10c
			https://docs.aws.amazon.com/sagemaker/	10d
		case studies	https://pages.awscloud.com/rs/112-TZM-766/images/Amazon_SageMaker_TCO_uf.pdf	10e
		external	https://www.forbes.com/sites/janakirammsv/2024/12/16/aws-reinvent-2024-balancing-cloud-	10f
		publications	infrastructure-and-ai-ambitions/	
	Domino	website	https://domino.ai/	14a
	Data Lab		https://domino.ai/platform	14b
			https://domino.ai/pricing	14c
			https://university.domino.ai/	14d
		case studies	Not relevant sources found	

		external publications	https://blogs.vultr.com/vultr-domino-data-lab-partnership	14e
	Dataiku	website	https://www.dataiku.com/product/	18a
			https://www.dataiku.com/partners/	18b
			https://www.dataiku.com/product/key-capabilities/	18c
			https://www.dataiku.com/product/plugins/	18d
			https://pages.dataiku.com/dataiku-data-sheet	18e
		case studies	Not relevant sources found	
		external	https://www.forbes.com/sites/kenrickcai/2020/08/24/dataiku-ai-enablement-for-enterprises-	18f
		publications	startup-raises-100-million-series-d/	
E2C-2	Modular	website	https://www.modular.com/	3a
			https://docs.modular.com/	3b
			https://builds.modular.com/	3c
			https://www.modular.com/blog	3d
			https://www.modular.com/community	3e
		case studies	Not relevant sources found	
		external	Not relevant sources found	
		publications		
	codeocean	website	https://codeocean.com/product	9a
			https://codeocean.com/solutions	9b
			https://docs.codeocean.com/	9c
			https://codeocean.com/explore?page=1&filter=all	9d
		case studies	https://codeocean.com/resources#widget_1711448700536case-study	9e
		external	https://librarytechnology.org/pr/29449	9f
		publications	https://techcrunch.com/2021/05/17/with-21m-in-funding-code-ocean-aims-to-help-researchers-	9g
			replicate-data-heavy-science/	
	Databricks	website	https://www.databricks.com/	17a
	Mosaic Al		https://www.databricks.com/product/pricing	17b
			https://www.databricks.com/company/partners	17c
		case studies	https://www.chaossearch.io/blog/mosaic-ai-use-cases	17d
		external publications	https://the-ml-engineer-guy.medium.com/databricks-mosaic-ai-building-genai-solutions-with-databricks-3da19fab2527	17e

	ZAM	website	https://www.zams.com/pricing	24a
			https://www.zams.com/product	24b
			https://www.zams.com/integrations	24c
		case studies	https://www.zams.com/customers/intouchcx-reduced-employee-churn-by-15-with-zams	24d
		external	https://serp.ai/products/obviously.ai/reviews/	24f
		publications		
E2C-3	dataloop	website	https://dataloop.ai/	4a
			https://dataloop.ai/platform/	4b
			https://dataloop.ai/partners/	4c
			https://docs.dataloop.ai/docs	4d
			https://github.com/dataloop-ai-apps	4e
		case studies	https://dataloop.ai/case-studies/dataloop-enhances-anomaly-detection-with-flexible-data-	4f
			pipelines-odysight-case-study/	
		external	https://techcrunch.com/2022/11/03/dataloop-secures-cash-infusion-to-expand-its-data-	4g
		publications	annotation-toolset/	
	Iguazio	website	https://www.iguazio.com/	16a
			https://www.iguazio.com/platform/	16b
			https://www.iguazio.com/open-source/	16c
			https://www.iguazio.com/partners/	16d
		case studies	https://go.iguazio.com/hubfs/AzureML%20+%20Iguazio%20FS.pdf	16e
		external	https://techcrunch.com/2023/01/23/mckinsey-eyeing-the-mlops-space-buys-tel-aviv-based-	16f
		publications	iguazio/	
	Google	website	https://cloud.google.com/ai	19a
	Vertex AI		https://cloud.google.com/vertex-ai	19b
			https://cloud.google.com/vertex-ai/docs	19c
			https://cloud.google.com/vertex-ai/pricing	19d
			https://cloud.google.com/marketplace	19e
			https://cloud.google.com/partners	19f
			https://cloud.google.com/learn/certification	19g
			https://cloud.google.com/free	19h
			https://cloud.google.com/partners	19i
		case studies	https://cloud.google.com/transform/101-real-world-generative-ai-use-cases-from-industry-leaders	19j

		external	https://techcrunch.com/2025/03/17/google-adds-its-hd-voice-model-chirp-3-to-its-vertex-ai-	19k
		publications	platform/	
PrimeHub		website	https://www.primehub.io/	7a
			https://www.primehub.io/primehub-ai-platform	7b
			https://www.primehub.io/partners	7c
			https://www.primehub.io/community	7d
		case studies	Not relevant sources found	
		external	https://techcrunch.com/2021/04/05/taiwan-based-mlops-startup-infuseai-raises-4-3m-series-a-	7e
		publications	led-by-wistron-corporation/	
E2C-4	BigML	website	https://bigml.com/	5a
			https://bigml.com/features	5b
			https://bigml.com/certifications	5c
			https://bigml.com/pricing	5d
			https://bigml.com/education/	5e
			https://support.bigml.com/hc/en-us	5f
			https://bigml.com/gallery/	5g
			https://bigml.com/partners/	5h
			https://bigml.com/customers/	5i
		case studies	https://medium.com/@daksharora771/getting-a-deep-dive-into-bigml-99a8c83cf420	5j
			https://machinelearningmastery.com/bigml-review-discover-the-clever-features-in-this-machine-	5k
			learning-as-a-service-platform/	
		external	https://www.cbinsights.com/company/bigml	51
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	Azure Al		https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/pricing/	11b
			https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/marketplace/	11c
			https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/partners/	11d
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			https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/resources/developers/	11f
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			studies-No2	
			https://www.proserveit.com/blog/microsoft-ai-artificial-intelligence-solutions	11h

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		publications	Readiness/docs/The_Total_Economic_Impact_Of_Migrating_To_Microsoft_Azure_For_Al-	
			Readiness.pdf	
	DataRobot	website	https://www.datarobot.com/	22a
			https://www.datarobot.com/product/predictive-ai/	22b
			https://www.datarobot.com/product/generative-ai/	22c
			https://www.datarobot.com/product/covalent/	22d
			https://www.datarobot.com/integrations/	22e
			https://www.datarobot.com/trial/	22f
			https://www.datarobot.com/partner-finder/	22g
			https://docs.datarobot.com/en/docs/index.html	22h
			https://learn.datarobot.com/	22i
		case studies	https://bbi.ai/unlocking-the-power-of-automated-machine-learning-supercharging-business-	22j
			insights-with-datarobot/	
			https://www.datarobot.com/resources/ml-model-monitoring-with-datarobot-and-aws/	22k
		external	https://www.datarobot.com/newsroom/press/datarobot-named-a-leader-in-ai-ml-platforms-by-	221
		publications	independent-research-firm/	
	VESSL AI	website	https://vessl.ai/	23a
			https://vessl.ai/pricing	23b
			https://vesslai.notion.site/VESSL-for-Academics-fa47bf5e69b44e92b5daaead758cb057	23c
			https://docs.vessl.ai/guides/resources/pricing	23d
			https://app.vessl.ai/hub	23e
		case studies	https://cloud.google.com/blog/topics/startups/how-vessl-ai-accelerates-mlops-transformation-with-google-cloud/	23f
			https://cerebralvalley.ai/blog/vessl-ai-building-the-future-of-ai-agents-and-scalable-mlops-6WgZXy97qniPciCoVObx8b	23g
		external	https://techcrunch.com/2024/10/07/vessl-ai-secures-12m-for-its-mlops-platform/	23h
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Analysis	platform for		https://www.alibabacloud.com/help/en/pai/	6b
ohase	Al		https://www.alibabacloud.com/help/en/pai/ai-computing-resource-billing-	6c
			description?spm=a2c63.p38356.help-menu-30347.d 1 0.452c1482LPe8VR	
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		Php	6f
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		7417edki8Php	6g
		https://edu.alibabacloud.com/training?spm=a3c0i.22937016.4363105600.4.5b7417edki8Php	6h
		https://marketplace.alibabacloud.com/?spm=a2796.11222794.9135018350.22.2b0727a2J5LaTF	
	case studies	https://docs-aliyun.cn-hangzhou.oss.aliyun-inc.com/pdf/machine-learning-Introduction_intl_eng-	6i
		intl-en-2019-04-24.pdf	
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	publications	202504080300DGAPASPRcorporate_2112986_en-1	
Jfrog ML	website	https://jfrog.com/jfrog-ml/	12a
		https://jfrog.com/pricing/	12b
		https://jfrog.com/jfrog-ml/mlops/	12c
		https://jfrog.com/partners/	12d
		https://jfrog.com/integrations/	12e
		https://jfrog.com/resource-center/?solution=all	12f
		https://jfrog.com/certification/	12g
		https://jfrog.com/webinar/	12h
	case studies	https://jfrog.com/blog/get-to-know-jfrog-ml/	12i
	external	https://www.sdxcentral.com/news/jfrog-introduces-jfrog-ml-an-mlops-solution-for-ai-application-	12j
	publications	delivery/	
		https://finance.yahoo.com/news/jfrog-partners-nvidia-accelerate-agentic-060000371.html	12k
H2O.ai	website	https://h2o.ai/	15a
		https://h2o.ai/platform/why-h2o/	15b
		https://h2o.ai/platform/ai-cloud/	15c
		https://h2o.ai/platform/llm-studio/	15d
		https://h2o.ai/platform/ai-cloud/operate/h2o-mlops/	15e
		https://h2o.ai/platform/ai-cloud/key-features-datasheet/#innovate	15f
		https://h2o.ai/solutions/use-case/	15g
		https://h2o.ai/partner-network/#become-a-partner	15h
		https://h2o.ai/university/	15i
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	case studies	No relevant sources found	
	external	https://venturebeat.com/ai/h19-ai-improves-ai-agent-accuracy-with-predictive-models/	15j
	publications		
Cloudera	Al website	https://www.cloudera.com/products/machine-learning.html	21a
		https://cloudera.github.io/Applied-ML-Prototypes/#/cloudera	21b
		https://www.cloudera.com/services-and-support/training/certification.html	21c
		https://www.cloudera.com/partners/partners-listing.html	21d
		https://www.cloudera.com/services-and-support/training.html	21e
		https://www.cloudera.com/products/cloudera-public-cloud-trial.html	21f
		https://docs.cloudera.com/machine-learning/cloud/index.html	21g
		https://www.cloudera.com/resources.html	21h
		https://www.cloudera.com/services-and-support/professional-services.html	21i
		https://www.cloudera.com/why-cloudera/enterprise-ai.html	21j
	case	https://www.cloudera.com/content/dam/www/marketing/resources/ebooks/reaching-the-full-	21k
	studies/whitepa	potential-of-production-machine-learning.pdf?daqp=true	
	per		
	external	No relevant sources found	
	publications		

2. Case Codebooks

2.1 Evaluation of conceptual-to-empirical iterations (C2E-1, C2E-2, C2E-3)

2.1.1 Superb Al Suite's Codebook

Table 3: Superb Al Suite's codebook

Dimension	Axial Codes	Open codes
complementary resources	tools	productivity tools/ Multi-factor authentication (MFA)/ IP-whitelisting tool/ AI project execution & operation/ synthesize data
complementary services	consultation	consulting/ vulnerability assessment/ data migration services/ hardware setup/ collaboration
	model customization	custom model/ project design and model development to full-scale deployment
core VP	customizability	a custom model
	optimization	reduced by 76%/ shortened by 64%
	automation	automatically curate data/ automated data labelling
	insight generation	automatically classify defects in pipe welding
	continuous learning	iterative retraining
costs	tangible	Al experts
customer relationships	customer support	customer support
customer Segments	B2B	industry specific
data strategy	customer-supplied (on- demand)	process and search massive volumes of field data
	customer-supplied (continuous)	live field data/ real-time video streams
data type	numeric/sensor data	point cloud data
	visual data	image and videos
industry focus	industry specific	industry specific
interface	graphical	with a few clicks
ML hosting	cloud	cloud/ superb cloud/ integrate cloud environment with platform seamlessly
	edge	real-time AI processing in production lines & industrial sites/ superb edge/ offline environment or high security settings/ no power supply
	on-premise	on premise/ various environments such as air- gapped networks/ private cloud (VPC)

ML lifecycle activities	data processing	data cleaning/ curation/ labelling
ML scope	context changing	detect defects
ML service	model development,	end-to-end services/ everything from project
model	deployment and ready to	design and model development to full-scale
	use services	deployment/ Train, diagnose, deploy Al models
partnerships	technology partners	NVIDIA
	investors	backed by Ycombinator
pricing model	free of charge	start for free
revenue	operation outsourcing	execution of operations
streams	education	Al capability building/ workshops/ training

2.1.2 HyperSense's Codebook

Table 4: HyperSense's codebook

Dimension	Axial Codes	Open Codes
assets	computing architecture	distributed computing
complementary	ML operations	ML operation/model management/ model
resources		explainability
complementary services	governance/collaboration	governance/ collaboration
core VP	automation	autoML/ automate
	adaptability	large datasets that are changing
	cost saving	high cost
costs	computing architecture	distributed computing
	specialized expertise	Al experts
customer relationships	portals	Al resource center
data strategy	streaming data	batches/ microbatches data
	real-time streaming data	real time/ streaming data
data type	textual data	binary/ ascii/ CSV/ ASN.1/ and JSON data.
industry focus	industry specific	banking/ insurance/ telco
infrastructure support	hybrid cloud	hybrid (public/private cloud)
interface	graphical	360 degree view/ no-code
	API	API
ML lifecycle activities	data processing	Collect data/ structure data/ prepare data/ Integrate multiple data formats
	model building	build Al model
	model training	iterative machine learning lifecycles
	model testing	testing/ iterative machine learning lifecycles/ Identify bias in machine learning models
	monitoring	ML operations
	retraining	relearn model/ iterative machine learning lifecycles

partnerships	technology partners	jio platform limited/ snowflake
pricing model	free trial	try for free
revenue stream	education	certification

2.1.3 Snowflake's Codebook

Table 5: Snowflake's codebook

Dimension	Axial Codes	Open Codes
assets	infrastructure	database/ interoperable storage/
		data/content
complementary	marketplace/copilot	model repository/ Snowflake Marketplace/
resources		copilot/ cloud services (governance/ security/
		maintenance)
complementary	consulting/automation	consultation/ machine learning automation
services		
core VP	simplification	easy to use
	optimization	Improve performance and scalability/
		distributed hyperparameter optimization.
	automation	automate performance and maintenance
		tuning
	insight generation	continuous/ automated refreshes on batch or
		streaming data
	adaptability	launch projects and products faster/ scalable
	cost saving	cost savings gained/ cost effective
	continuous learning	continuous/ automated refreshes on batch or
		streaming data
costs	infrastructure costs	compute and storage resources/ data center
		architecture/ hardware/infrastructure costs
customer	portals	online knowledge base
relationships	communities	snowflake community
	customer support	premier support
customer	B2B	all organizations
segments		
data strategy	third party	third party data
	on demand	continuous micro-batch loading
	streaming/continous	streaming data
data type	textural/ document data	delimited flat files (CSV/ TSV/ etc.)/ semi-
		structured data files (JSON/ Avro/ ORC/
		Parquet/ and XML).
	mixed	structured & unstructured data
industry focus	industry unspecific	all customers/ all organizations across
-		industries and regions
infrastructure	compute	elastic compute/ multi-cluster compute
	private connectivity	access to private connectivity
	backup and disaster	failover and failback
	recovery	
Infrastructure	cloud	Google Cloud/ MS Azure/ Amazon AWS
support		
support		

integrated complementor	selected complementors	Google Cloud/ MS Azure/ Amazon AWS	
interface	graphical	centralized UI.	
	code-based	notebook	
	API	Python APIs	
ML lifecycle	data processing	bulk loading	
activities	model building	develop models/ model development and	
		inference	
	model training	train models/ feature engineering/ model	
		training	
	model validation	model analysis	
	model monitoring	monitor performance metrics	
ML scope	predictive ML	generating predictions	
	generative ML	generating content/ LLMs	
ML service	model development &	popular machine learning frameworks/ LLMs	
model	deployment with ready to	via APIs/	
	use services		
partnerships	technology partners	Google Cloud/ MS Azure/ Amazon AWS	
	OEM partners	openAl	
	software vendors	3rd-party tools and technologies/ SaaS	
		providers	
	data broker	data provider/ data marketplace	
	system integrators	solution partnerts/ Certified partners/ partner network	
pricing model	consumption-based pricing	pay as you go pricing/ flexible usage-based	
		monetization models	
	regularly based on fixed rates	lower software licensing fees	
revenue	subscription	lower software licensing fees/ subscription-	
streams		based monetization models.	
	transaction	pay as you go pricing	
	advertising	pay for listing	
	cloud infrastructure	on-demand storage/ security/ governance/	
	consumption		
	education	bootcamp/ academy/ builder education	
	profit-sharing	credit rebate/ rebate programe with data	
		sharing	

2.1.4 IBM Watsonx.ai's Codebook

Table 6: IBM Watsonx.ai's codebook

Dimension	Axial Codes	Open Codes
assets	expertise/vision/roadmap	services expertise/ Product roadmap and
		future vision
complementary	marketplace Foundation Models library /find a partn	
resources	models/governance	built in models/ data governance
complementary consulting/ enabling		collaboratively work/ consulting service/
services	collaboration/ model	Evaluate model output/ model explainability
	evaluation	

core VP	simplification	in an easy way/ Streamline
	customizability	customize them / custom machine learning models
	optimization	advanced tuning methods
	automation	automating tasks/ Refined IBM AutoAl
	insight generation	data analysis and prediction/ cognitive service
	adaptability	scale-out systems
	cost saving	Reduce time to market
costs	acquisition cost	acquisition/ purchasing several startup
customer	communities	user community
relationships	customer support	tech support/ chatbot
data strategy	third party sources	third-party data services
	customer data	their data
	customer streaming data	the flowing data/
data type	textural/ document data	unstructured data
	natural language data	natural language processing
	visual data	video content analysis capabilities/ visual recognition/
industry focus	all industries	cross industry
infrastructure	private connectivity	securely connect to their data/ connect to array of data sources
Infrastructure	cloud	Cloud/ cloud solutions
support	on-premise	in SaaS and on-premises configurations/ private cloud solutions/ data onpremise
	hybrid configuration	on-premises/ offline or in the cloud/ hybrid cloud platform
integrated selected vendors/ partners complementor		selected vendors/ partners
interface	graphical	Clean interface/ user-friendly interfaces
	SDKs	industry-standard SDKs.
	APIs	API key/ industry-standard APIs
ML lifecycle activities	data processing	Data preparation/ data preprocessing/ data security
	model building	building AI models
	model training	training AI models
	model monitoring	profiling/ cleansing and monitoring
ML scope	predictive	video content analysis capabilities/ cognitive service
	text generation	generate/ summarize/ and extract meaning
ML service model	model development & deployment with ready to use services	Build machine learning models/ develop foundation models / manage the Al lifecycle to train/ validate and deploy Al models
partnerships	technology partners	innovative companies and strategic partners/ hugging face/ technology partnres
	model providers	Deepseek/ model providers/ meta

	software vendors	solutions partner/vector databases / embedding services
	data broker	third-party data services
	academic/research institutions	MIT-IBM Watson Al Lab
	system integrators	ISV/ leading ISV offerings/
pricing model	consumption-based pricing	Pay-as-you-go/ Model hosting/Deploy on demand Per hour
	regularly based on variable	model hosting/ deploy/ token based/ credit/
	rates free trial	Use case specific pricing start your free trial
revenue streams	subscription	Starting at USD 1050/month*
	transaction	pay as you go
	partnership programs	partner plus/find a partner
	cloud infrastructure consumption	Model hosting/Deploy on demand
	education	courses

2.2 First empirical-to-conceptual iteration (E2C-1)

2.2.1 Barbara

Table 7: Barbara's codebook

Dimension	Characteristic	Axial Codes	Open Codes
Complementary	Ecosystem	Pre-built app library/	Marketplace partners/ iot platform
resources		partner integrations	connectivity
Complementary	Governance &	Embedded security/	Cybersecure edge platform/ ISO
services	compliance	regulatory adherence	27001 certification
	Specialized	Legacy system	IT/OT convergence out-of-the-box/
	expertise	integration/ protocol	industrial connectors (OPC UA/
		support	Lorawan)
Core VP	Efficiency	Cost savings/ rapid	From poc to prod in few clicks/ reduce
		scaling	operating costs via real-time
			automation
Costs	Intangible	Compliance upkeep/	Cybersecurity R&D/ EU Horizon 2020
		grant-funded innovation	funding
Customer	Customer	Onboarding education/	Academy (quickstart/deep dive)/
relationships	support	enterprise slas	dedicated experts
	Communities	Peer validation/ vertical	Testimonials (EDP/Acciona)/ success
		case studies	stories
Data strategy	Customer-	Streaming analytics/	Real-time data processing/ smart grid
	supplied	legacy data ingestion	asset digitization
	(continuous)		
Industry focus	Industry-	Utilities focus/ industrial	Smart grid/ water management/ energy
	specific	IoT (IIoT)	(Solarig/Iberdrola)
Infrastructure	Hybrid	Cross-platform	ARM/Intel/GPU support/
		compatibility/ hybrid	heterogeneous device management
		infrastructure	

	Compute	Ai-optimized hardware/	GPU-enabled AloT/ distributed
		multi-layered	edge/cloud nodes/data processing
		deployment/edge-cloud	(edge/cloud hybrid)/ AWS/Azure
		split/ multi-cloud support	compatibility
Interface	Graphical	Unified dashboard/ bulk	Single-screen management/ batch
		automation	operations UI
	APIs	Branding flexibility/	Rest api for business integration/
		ERP/CRM integration	white-labeling
	Marketplace	Revenue sharing/	Industry-certified apps (e.g., iec 104)/
		premium certified	marketplace partnerships
		solutions	
ML lifecycle	Monitoring	Predictive maintenance/	Real-time asset monitoring/ telemetry
activities		anomaly detection	& analytics
	Validation	Third-party validation/	Certified edge apps/ industry-approved
		reduced customization	solutions (e.g./ IEC 104)
ML service	Model	Edge-native	Deploy ai models Effortlessly/
model	deployment	deployment/ mass	orchestrate edge apps at scale
	service	scalability	
Partnerships	Research	Collaborative R&D/	EU Horizon 2020/ Basque country
	institutions	open innovation	funding
	Technology	Co-branded solutions	AWS/Azure
	partners		
	Independent	Ecosystem expansion	Global Omnium/ Ormazabal
	software		
	vendors		
Pricing model	Tiered pricing	Subscription tiers/	Edge-as-a-service/ enterprise demo
		custom quotes	requests

2.2.2 Amazon Sagemaker

Table 8: Amazon Sagemaker's codebook

Dimension	Characteristi	Axial Codes	Open Codes
	cs		
Complement	Integrated AI	Al-driven productivity	Amazon Q Developer for generative Al
ary	Assistant	tools embedded in	assistance
Resources		workflows	
	Tools/	Pre-trained models/	SageMaker JumpStart/ Apache
	Ecosystem/	open-source	Iceberg-compatible tools
	Prebuilt	integrations/ developer	
	Models	tools	
Complement	Automation/	Automated pipelines/	Automate machine learning workflows/
ary Services	Governance &	built-in	End-to-end data and Al governance
	Compliance	security/compliance	
		controls	
Core VP	Efficiency/	Streamlined workflows/	Accelerate analytics and Al innovation/
	Adaptability/	unified data access/ Al-	Unified access to all your data
	Accessibility	assisted development	
Costs	Tangible	Infrastructure and	Trainium chip costs/ S3 storage fees
	(compute/stor	operational expenses	
	age)		

Customer	Communities/	Al-driven support/	AWS re:Post forums/ Amazon Q
Relationships	Customer	community-driven	Developer assistant
	Support	knowledge sharing	·
Data	Customer-	Continuous data	Unify data access across S3/ Redshift/
Strategy	supplied	ingestion with zero-ETL	third-party sources
	(continuous)	integrations	
Industry	Industry-	Cross-industry	Retail/ healthcare/ automotive use
Focus	unspecific	applicability	cases
Infrastructure	Compute/	Custom silicon for Al/	Trainium 2 chips/ Amazon S3 storage
	Cloud Storage	scalable cloud storage	
Interface	Graphical/	Unified IDE/ multi-	SageMaker Studio UI/ AWS SDK for
	APIs/ SDKs	language SDK support	Python
ML Lifecycle	Data	End-to-end lifecycle	Data preparation/ Model training/ Model
Activities	processing/	support from data prep	monitoring
	Training/	to production	
	Monitoring	monitoring	
ML Scope	Content	Dynamic model	Train recommendation engines/ Al
	changing	adaptation for diverse	chatbots
		data inputs	
ML Service	Model	Integrated end-to-end	Build/ train/ and deploy machine
Model	development	machine learning	learning and FMs with fully managed
	& deployment	lifecycle management	infrastructure/ tools/ and workflows
	service with	with pre-built solutions	
	ready-to-use		
	services		
Model	Cloud	Fully cloud-based	Fully managed infrastructure/ Deploy
Hosting		hosting with scalable	machine learning models for inference
		infrastructure	
Partnerships	Technology	Ecosystem	Hugging Face collaboration/ Salesforce
	Partners/ ISVs	partnerships for	integrations
		model/library	
		integrations	
Pricing	Usage-based	Flexible pricing with	Pay-as-you-go/ 4/000 free API requests
Model	pricing/ Tiered	free tier for	
	pricing/ Free	experimentation	
	Tier		
Revenue	Subscription/	Recurring revenue via	Monthly compute/storage charges/
Streams	Cloud	infrastructure/feature	Amazon Q Developer per-user pricing
	Infrastructure	consumption	
	Services		

2.2.3 Domino Data Lab

Table 9: Domino Data Lab's codebook

Dimension	Characteristic	Axial Code	Open Codes
Assets	Intangible	Software platform/ MLOps infrastructure	Domino's Enterprise Al Platform/ Integrated Coding Assistants
Channels	direct sales	Purchasing flexibility	Direct enterprise sales/ Multi-channel sales access/ Self-service purchase option/ B2B sales enablement

	marketplace	Cloud-Native	Cloud marketplace availability/SaaS
	markotpiaco	Distribution	procurement via marketplaces (e.g./
			AWS/ GCP)
Complementary	Tools	Open-source and	Access the broadest ecosystem of open
Resources		commercial tools	source and commercial tools
	Ecosystem	Templates/	Project templates from Domino and
		partnerships/	partners like NVIDIA/ AWS/ Open and
		integrations	extensible integrates with your stack
	Prebuilt	Templates/ model	Pre-built solutions for AI and GenAI use
	Models	registry	cases/ Model Registry offers a central
			repository
	Data Assets	Feature Store	Domino Feature Store/ reuse features
Complementary	Automation	AutoML/ CI/CD	Automate training and tuning/ Integrate
Services		integrations	with existing CI/CD pipelines
	Governance &	Al governance/ policy	Make governance automated and
	Compliance	enforcement	actionable/ Transform governance into a
			swift and dependable process
	Specialized	Coding assistants/	Coding assistants like Jupyter AI and
	Expertise	experiment manager	GitHub Copilot/ Domino's scalable
			experiment management
Core VP	Accessibility	Access to tools/	Easily access any tool/ data/ and
	_	infrastructure/ and	infrastructure/ on-demand/ Domino
		compute	offers one-click access to your preferred
			tools
	Adaptability	Customization/ modular	Deploy models to any endpoint/ Run Al
		deployment	workloads anywhere — hybrid cloud/
			multiple clouds
	Efficiency	Resource optimization/	Reduce AI costs and complexity/
		cost reduction	Optimize and lower costs with proactive
_	0	A1	FinOps
	Governance &	Al governance registry/	Dataiku Govern/ block deployment
	Compliance	sign-off process/ PII	without proper compliance/ Safe Guard and Cost Guard for PII screening and
		protection	content moderation
 	collaboration	Project collaboration	Invite collaborators/ built-in git
	oonaboration	1 Tojoot oollaboration	integration/ single definition of truth/
			projects for collaboration
-	Tailored	Fine-tuning/ AutoML/	Fine-tune foundation models quickly/
	intelligence	Model tuning	AutoML to quickly find best-performing
	J	.	models at the lowest cost
Costs	Tangible	Compute/ infrastructure	Cloud and IT expenses/ CPUs and GPUs
H	Intangible	Development/	Domino platform/ AutoML/ Coding
	mangible	collaboration software	Assistants
	Customer	Contact support	Contact the Domino account team to
1			request a quote
	Support		request a quote
	Support Customer-	Data pipelines/ real-time	Monitor your models wherever they run/
Data Strategy		Data pipelines/ real-time deployment	· ·

Data Type	Mixed Data	Structured and	Work with structured or unstructured
		unstructured support	data/ Train predictive and generative AI
Industry Focus	Industry specific	Finance/ Life Sciences/ Manufacturing	Life Sciences Finance Retail Manufacturing
Infrastructure	Compute	Distributed clusters/	Self-serve infrastructure/ distributed
	·	scalable infrastructure	compute clusters/ CPUs/ and GPUs
	Cloud Storage	Cloud-native deployment	Run Domino in your private/ or public or hybrid cloud infrastructure
	Private Connectivity	VPC deployment options	Deploy in a VPC — Azure/ AWS/ Google Cloud
	Disaster Recovery	Auditability/ redundancy	Track all your models get complete lineage tracking for auditability/ new proposal — disaster recovery and model lineage linked to compliance
Interface	Graphical	UI tools like Jupyter/ VSCode	Development environments such as Jupyter/ JupyterLab/ RStudio/ SAS/ VSCode
	APIs	Integration layer	Domino's API framework delivers full extensibility
ML Lifecycle	Data	Data preparation/	Explore/ analyze/ and transform data/
Activities	Processing	cleansing/ transformation	Apply transformations such as filter/ join/ group
	Training	AutoML/ hyperparameter tuning	Train predictive models/ Automate hyperparameter tuning at scale
	Validation	Model registry/ experiment tracking	Validate and review models with custom approval workflows/ Compare models
	Monitoring	Drift detection/ metrics tracking	Track data drift and model quality degradation automatically/ Continuously monitor accuracy metrics
	Retraining	Iterative improvement	Retrain to reduce risk and ensure business value/ automate monitoring for continuous improvement
ML Scope	Content Changing	Custom AI models/ GenAI tuning	Fine-tune foundation models quickly/ Move GenAl from pilot to production
ML Service Model	Model development & deployment service	Unified platform/ MLOps/ Model Registry	Domino's Enterprise AI Platform provides an integrated experience encompassing model development/ MLOps/ collaboration/ and governance.
ML Service Model	Model development & deployment + ready-to-use	Al Hub/ Project Templates	Pre-built solutions for AI and GenAI use cases/ AI Hub accelerates AI applications from project templates - prebuilt solutions curated from the best open source.
Model Hosting	Hybrid	On-prem/ cloud/ and multi-cloud	Run Al workloads anywhere — on- premises/ hybrid/ any cloud or multicloud
	Cloud	SaaS and cloud-native	Domino Cloud / Fully-managed in the cloud/ SaaS / Fully managed for you

	On Premise	Self-managed environment	Self-managed in any environment / on- premises/ private/ public or hybrid cloud
			infrastructure.
Partnerships	Technology	NVIDIA/ AWS/	Partners like NVIDIA/ AWS/ and more
	Partners	Snowflake	
	Investors	Sequoia Capital/ Coatue	Domino backed by Sequoia Capital/ Coatue Management
Pricing Model	Usage-based pricing	Cost tracking/ FinOps	Optimize and reduce IT and cloud expenses by maximizing resource efficiency/ granular billing reports
	seat-based pricing		Predictable subscription units based on the platform you choose and number of users
Revenue	Subscription	Platform-based	Domino Cloud / Fully-managed in the
Streams=		recurring revenue	cloud implies a SaaS model
	Integrated Partner Services	Revenue sharing	Vultr joint offering with fast GPU access
	cloud infrastructure services	Infrastructure-related monetization	Fully-managed cloud service/ in your VPC — Azure/ AWS

2.2.4 Dataiku

Table 10: Dataiku's codebook

Dimension	Characteristic	Axial Codes	Open Codes
Assets	Tangible	SaaS subscriptions/	Dataiku Cloud/ Elastic compute with
		infrastructure	Kubernetes on cloud of choice
	Intangible	Platform IP/ LLM	LLM Mesh/ Dataiku Govern/ Safe
		orchestration frameworks	Guard/ Cost Guard
Complementary	Tools	VS Code/ Jupyter/ Prompt	VS Code and Jupyter Notebooks/
Resources		Studio	Prompt Studios/ capture MLFlow experiments
	Prebuilt models	AutoML templates/ visual	visual machine learning capabilities/
		recipes/ pre-built GenAl	Dataiku Answers/ code-free GenAl-
		assistants	powered recipes
	Ecosystem	Plugins/ connectors/ APIs	Plugins and Connectors/ TitanML/
			Hugging Face/ NVIDIA NIM integrations
	Data Assets	Feature stores/ data	Dataiku's central feature store/ data
		catalogs	catalog with trusted datasets
Complementary	Specialized	Explainability/ bias analysis/	white-box explainability/ Model Fairness
Services	Expertise	fairness reporting	Report/ explanation reports
	Automation	Code automation/ visual	GenAl powered assistants to generate
		workflows/ pipelines	and explain code/ automated drift
			monitoring/ deployment automation
	Governance &	Al governance registry/	Dataiku Govern/ block deployment
	Compliance	sign-off process/ PII	without proper compliance/ Safe Guard
		protection	and Cost Guard for PII screening and
			content moderation
Core VP	Accessibility	Visual + code/ no-code	code-free or full-code development
		agents/ GenAl assistants	tools/ Al-powered assistants/ visual data
			pipelines

	Efficiency	Unified platform/ reduction	70% reduction in time spent on data
		in time spent/ rapid	analysis/ AutoML/ deploy secure GenAl
		prototyping	apps in days/ not months
	Tailored	Prompt engineering/ LLM	Prompt Studios/ compare performance
	Intelligence	optimization/ explainability	and cost across models/ white-box
			explainability
	Adaptability	Plugin marketplace/ feature	central feature store/ develop models in
		store/ hybrid model	MLFlow and import into Dataiku/ Dataiku
		input/output	Plugins to extend capabilities
Costs	Tangible	Compute/ infrastructure/	pre-configured clusters/ GPU resources/
		personnel	support contracts
	Intangible	R&D/ governance	Dataiku Govern/ LLM Mesh
		frameworks/ integrations	infrastructure/ Safe Guard/ Prompt
			Studios development
Customer	Communities /	Trials/ forums/ conferences	14-day free trial/ Everyday Al
Relationships	Self-service		Conference/ Dataiku Blog
	portal		
	Customer	Product documentation/	Dataiku End-to-End Demo/ Al
	Support	webinars/ training	Governance Series/ Prompt Studios
			walkthrough
Data Strategy	Customer-	Integration with live and	connect to approved LLMs and vector
	supplied (on-	stored data sources	stores/ connectors to dozens of on-
	demand &		premises and cloud sources
	continuous)		
Data Type	Mixed data	Text/ structured/ image/	text summarization/ image classification/
		geospatial	geospatial joins/ structured sign-off
Industry Focus	Industry specific	Retail/ pharma/	Retailers to forecast demand/ Pharma
ilidusily Focus	industry specific	manufacturing/ banking	teams to speed up R&D/ FSI institutions
		mandiacturing/ banking	to manage risk/ Manufacturers to reduce
			downtime
Infrastructure	Compute	Kubernetes/ Spark/ GPUs	elastic and highly scalable compute/
		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	pre-configured and fully managed
			clusters/ GPU for deep learning
	Cloud Storage	Multicloud object stores	Amazon S3/ Azure Blob/ Google Cloud
		,	Storage support
	Private	Corporate LDAP/ enterprise	connect to leading data sources/ hosted
	Connectivity	plugins/ hybrid infrastructure	or self-hosted deployments/ plugin for
			Collibra export
Interface	Graphical	Visual recipes/ flows/	Visual data pipelines/ drag and drop
		dashboards	interface/ dashboarding and reporting
	APIs	REST APIs/ SDK/ plugin	Expose functions via REST/
		endpoints	programmatically develop models with
			SDK
	SDKs	Python SDK/ Plugin SDK	Dataiku Python SDK/ Plugin recipes and
			processors
ML Lifecycle	Data processing	Visual and programmatic	prepare data 10x faster/ prompt-driven
Activities		pipelines/ assistants	data prep steps/ 100+ built-in
			transformers
	Training	AutoML/ Deep learning/	AutoML with explainability/ deep
		MLFlow integration	learning with Keras/TensorFlow/ import
			models developed with MLFlow
	Validation	Explainability/ audit trails/	fairness analysis/ what-if analysis/ stress
		stress testing	tests/ audit of entire application flows
	Monitoria	Drift dataction/ dashbass-1-/	outomated drift monitoring/ structure
	Monitoring	Drift detection/ dashboards/	automated drift monitoring/ structured
		alerts	sign-off mechanisms/ performance and
		1	cost tracking

	Retraining	Recalibration/ flexible retrain triggers	retrain models in case of drift/ custom retraining strategies/ Auto-Recalibration
ML Scope	Context changing	Dynamic pipelines/ multi- agent orchestration	orchestrating multiple agents and tools/ flexible LLM prompt management/ performance and cost tracking
	Content changing	GenAl/NLP/text prep/ RAG/ embeddings	RAG techniques/ entity extraction/ sentiment analysis/ text summarization/ classification/ LLM-powered NLP
ML Service Model	Model development & deployment with ready-to-use service	End-to-end platform/ prebuilt recipes/ agents/ GenAl apps	From data access and preparation through modeling/ app development/ production deployment/one-stop shop/ build agents and generative AI applications at scale/ deploy machine learning and GenAI projects with structured governance and oversight
Model Hosting	Cloud/ On- premise/ Hybrid	SaaS and downloadable/ managed or self-hosted	fully managed by Dataiku on our secure servers/ install Dataiku on your infrastructure
Partnerships	Technology Partners	Cloud and Al vendors/ plugin creators	Hugging Face/ OpenAl/ Amazon Transcribe/ DeepL/ TitanML Takeoff/ Snowflake plugin
Pricing Model	Tiered Pricing	Free/ trial/ enterprise plans	Free Edition/ Free Trial/ Paid Editions/ Compare Plans
Revenue Streams	Subscription	Enterprise licensing/ cloud SaaS	Paid Editions hosted by Dataiku or self-hosted/ ROI of 413%
	Cloud Infrastructure Services	Consumption-based compute plans	elastic resources powered by Spark and Kubernetes on your cloud of choice

2.3 Second empirical-to-conceptual iteration (E2C-2)

2.3.1 Modular

Table 11: Modular's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
complementary	tools	sandbox and workflows	GPU puzzle/ mojo playground/ recipes
resources	marketplace	model library	hugging face model hub
	prebuilt models	model options	500+ models/ open models/ supported models/ recipes/
core VP	efficiency	performance optimization	speed-of-light inference/ state-of-the-art performance/ unlock performance
	accessibility	environment accessibility	multi-hardware support/multi-cloud deployment
	adaptability	hardware/model flexibility	multi-hardware support/ write once deploy anywhere/ hardware agnostic/customizable
Costs	Intangible	Community contributions	contribute code/ build amazing things/ open-source community
	tangible	growth investment	product expansion/ hardware support/ the expansion of Modular's programming language/ Mojo
Customer Relationships	communities	Community license support	community license/ license FAQ/ device definition

	communities	active forums & discord	developer community/ connect on Discord/ chat in forum/ community highlights
	self-service portal	documents & tutorials	get the docs/ read the docs/ step-by-step guides
	customer support	free & paid support options	dedicated enterprise support/ community support
Data Strategy	Customer- Supplied (on- demand)	Self-service data	deploy yourself/ retrieve up-to-date data/ fetch data
Data Type	Textual/Natural Language Data	LLMs, Chatbots	LLMs/ chatbots/ conversations
	Mixed Data	Multi-modal tasks	agent workflows/ batch processing/ code generation
industry focus	industry unspecific	broad applicability	build Al apps/ any use case/ general purpose
infrastructure	specialized hardware support	GPU support	GPU performance/ CPU+GPU/ NVIDIA support/Apple GPUs/ any CPUs/ GPU kernel tuning
interface	APIs	integration methods	REST API/ Python integration/ Access API
	SDKs	Mojo tools	Mojo playground/ GPU puzzles/ Mojo SDK
ML lifecycle activities	deploying	Flexible deployment	deploy yourself/ docker container/ OpenAl-compatible endpoint
	retraining	tuning	customize the model/ tune GPU kernel/ extensibility
	validation	Workflow testing	Mojo playground/
	building/training	development environment	Mojo language/ GPU code library/ kernel development
ML scope	generative	LLM & GenAl support	GenAl models/ LLM orchestration/ Al inference/GenAl model/ LLMs/ code generation
model hosting	hybrid	deployment options	multi-cloud deployment/ Kubernetes- native control/ scale across GPUs
partnerships	technology partners	integration partners	Hugging Face/ OpenAl endpoint/ Docker image
	investors	venture capitalists	general catalyst/ GV (Google Ventures)/ SV Angel/ Greylock and Factory
	research institution	community R&D	open source code/ GitHub repository/ developer community/ 300 open-source projects/ contribute code/ model development
pricing model	freemium	free to use with premium upgrade	free forever
	usaged based pricing	pay per GPU	Per GPU Pricing
	tiered pricing	scaling options	modular community tier/ self-hosted enterprise
revenue stream	subscription	enterprise version	enterprise-grade deployments/ self- hosted enterprise/ scale with us

2.3.2 CodeOcean

Table 12: CodeOcean's codebook

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	Cloud Storage	Scalable storage	S3/EFS integration/ Hybrid cloud
			architecture
Interface	Graphical	Low-code/No-	Visual Pipeline builder/ Admin
		code tools	Panel/any IDEs
	APIs	API triggers	Trigger API events
	SDKs	Developer	Python SDK
		integration	
ML Lifecycle	Training/Validation	End-to-end	ML model tracking/ Parameter
		MLops	management
Model Hosting	hybrid	cloud and other	AWS integration/in the cloud/from any
		courses	other source
Partnerships	Research	Academic	Allen Institute/ Nature collaborations/
	Institutions	alliances	University research labs
	Investors	Venture	Battery Ventures/ Digitalis Ventures/
		Capitalists	EBSCO and Vaal Partners
	Technology	Cloud/ML	AWS integration/ MLFlow
	Partners	ecosystem	
Pricing Model	Tiered pricing	Tiered pricing	Enterprise licensing/ Academic
			support add-ons
	Freemium	Freemium	Free Open Science Library/
		strategy	Community-tier access/ Self-service
			academic offering

2.3.3 Databricks

Table 13:Databricks' codebook

Dimension	Characteristic	Axial Codes	Open Codes
Complementary Resources	Marketplace	Marketplace	open marketplace for data/ analytics and Al/ Access more than just data sets/ including machine learning models/notebooks/marketplace for data products
	tools	tools	Al gateway, vector search/agent framework/databricks notebook
	Prebuilt models	Foundation models	DBRX/ a general purpose large language model/Foundation Model APIs
Complementary Services	Automation	AutoML	Databricks AutoML is a solution that provides a low-code approach
	Governance & compliance	Built-in governance	Unity Catalog for governance/ Centralized discovery/ management/ and governance/Maintain data security with end-to-end governance/ Enforce guardrails for all of your models
Core VP	Efficiency	cost/time savings	improvement in accuracy/productivity gains/accuracy of responses/reduction in cost
	tailored intelligence	customizability	Custom evaluation/customize your AI models

	Adaptability	Multi-model/modal support	Use any model/ from classical machine learning to GenAl/Supports any Al model//ingest any data type
Customer Relationships	Communities	community building strategy	Databricks Community Edition/community/community events
	customer support	tiered support policy	business/enhanced/production/mission critical
	self-help portal	self-help	documentation/resource center/demo center
Data Strategy	third party	data from marketplace	files/komodo/trademo/delta sharing protocol/data recipient
	Customer- supplied (continuous)	Real-time data sync	Real-time syncing of source data/ Automatically updating the corresponding vector index/share live data
Data Type	textual/natural language data	text	document
	visual data	visual data	image/video data
Industry focus	industry unspecific	cross-industry	across every industry
Infrastructure	cloud storage	lakehouse storage	open table formats/analytics data/lakehouse storage/lakehouse federation
	Compute	Serverless compute	Serverless Data Engineering in the Age of Al/ Run on clusters to get access to scale
Interface	graphical	unified platform	IDE integrations
	APIs	REST APIs	Mosaic AI Gateway supports any model endpoint/ Access models through API endpoints
ML Lifecycle Activities	Monitoring	Lakehouse Monitoring	Monitor your entire AI workflow/ Lakehouse Monitoring provides comprehensive insights
	Retraining	Model fine-tuning	Fine-tune open source LLMs/ Mosaic Al Model Training - fine-tuning
ML Scope	Predictive	ML applications	ML applications/predictive models
	Generative	genAl applications and Al agents	genAl agents/build agents/deploy agents/evaluate agents/govern agents/custom LLMs
Model Hosting	Cloud	Cloud infrastructure	Databricks on AWS/ Azure/ GCP/ Run on clusters to get access to scale for large data applications
Partnerships	Technology partners	cloud providers/technology partners	aws/azure/gcp/sap
	research institutions	university	university alliance
	data brokers	data providers	komodo/trademo/data partners

	System	system	System integrators/consulting
	integrators	integrations/consulting	partners/design data transformation
		firms	strategy/adaltas/accenture
	Independent	Partner Connect	connect tools to lakehouse// Fivetran/
	software		dbt/ Alation integrations/SDK providers
	vendors		
Pricing Model	Usage-based	Pay-as-you-go	Pay as you go with no up-front costs/
	pricing		Per-second granularity/price list for
			different features
	free trial	free to try	try databricks for free/free serverless
			credits
	Tiered pricing	tiered pricing for	tiered partner program/ platform
		partner program and	tiers/add ons for premium and
		add-ons	enterprise tiers
Revenue	Transaction	by usage	per transacted unit when used/when
Streams			feature is used
	Certification	Certification programs	Databricks Certification and Badging
	Training	training academy	Free GenAl Training/ Databricks
			Academy/paid events/summits/data
			intelligence days/university alliance
	Cloud	cloud services	different pricing for different cloud
	infrastructure		services
	services		
	Partnership	tiered partner program	elite/select/validated/registered/by
			invitation only//sales inventives

2.3.4 ZAM

Table 14: ZAM's codebook

Dimension	Characteristic	Axial Codes	Open Codes
Complementary	prebuilt models	Ready-to-use models	Extensive Algorithm Library/
Resources			Classification/Regression/Time Series
			Models
	integrated Al	Al agents	knowledge agents/process
	assistance		agents/reasoning
			agents/apps/chatbots/workflows & agents
	tools	sandbox for trials	test drive agents
	ecosystem	ecosystem with	Integrations with Airtable, Salesforce etc
		compatible	
		integrations	
	data assets	data space	organized contextual data for agents
Complementary	governance &	governance and	audit trails, SOC2
services	compliance	security	compliance/GDPR/HIPAA/
	automation	workflow automation	automating contract workflows/automate
			RDQ and quote flow
	specialized	specialist support	Dedicated Data Scientist/ Solutions
	expertise		Architect

Core VP	Efficiency	Fast deployment	Deploy AI models in 2 days/ No coding
			required/without increasing headcount
	Adaptability	Self-improving models	Continuous model monitoring/ Automated retraining
	Tailored Intelligence	tailored Al	agents tailored to data and flows
Costs	Tangible Costs	HR & compliance costs	Data scientist team/ Security certifications
Customer Relationships	customer support	expert led support	Dedicated Data Scientist/ Solutions Architect/Al chat support/dedicated slack channel/white glove setup/dedicated account manager
	self service portal	document repositories	API docs/change log/status page/ZAMs enterprise dashboard
Data Strategy	customer- supplied(on- demand)	customer's data source	vectorizable data from customer's database
Data Type	mixed data	unstructured data	database/quickbook/spreadsheets/contract data
Industry Focus	Industry Specific	Domain-specific	Loan underwriting automation/ Maritime procurement optimization
Infrastructure	Cloud Storage	Scalable infrastructure	Up to 10 GB of Files/ Private Cloud Setup
Interface	Graphical	User-friendly UI	Clean and clear UI/ No-code platform// AI models for tabular data in clicks/dashboard
	APIs	API integrations	REST API integration/ Webhooks/API documentation
ML Lifecycle	Monitoring	Performance tracking	Model Monitoring/ Logging & Audit Trails
Activities	Retraining	Model optimization	Automated retraining cycles
ML Scope	generative	Al agents	Al agents/workflow automation/action generation/powered by language/LLM- powered agents
Partnerships	Technology partners	integrations partner	Zapier/ HubSpot/ Salesforce integrations/Microsoft
	Other	brand partners	ZAM brand partners
Pricing Model	Tiered Pricing	three-tiers	Startup Plan/ SMB Plan/ Enterprise Plan
	Free trial	guided trial	guided trial/support-involved trial setup/request early access to platform
Revenue Streams	Subscription	Recurring revenue	monthly payments

2.4 Third empirical-to-conceptual iteration (E2C-3)

2.4.1 Dataloop

Table 15: Databloop's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
core VP customizability	ouotomizobility	flexible	pipeline templates/ model
	configuration	flexibility	

	efficiency	reduced setup time	faster deployment/ time saving/ workflow automation
	adaptability	modular design	modular platform
machine learning focus	generative	model retraining	model retraining/ annotation updates/ AI iteration
model hosting	public cloud	integrated cloud	cloud-native tools/ multi-cloud compute/ cloud ingest
	automation	auto- preprocessing	label automation/ auto- preprocessing/ model-based QA
complementary resources	governance & compliance	audit trail/taxonomy governance	GDPR compliant/ audit logs/ access control/ labeling ontology/ annotation quality/ taxonomy rules
	data preparation	data preparation	data cleaning/ versioning tools/ routing engine
machine	ML development & deployment	model training	model tuning/ training optimization
learning lifecycle activities	ML operation	model monitoring & retraining	feedback loop/ quality control/ RLHF validation/ progress tracking/ work analytics/ usage alerts/ auto retrain/ error detection/ learning management
	tools	developer's SDK	SDK tools/ debugging logs/ UI pipelines
complementary resources	ecosystem	ecosystem	tool ecosystem/ integrations list
resources	marketplace	marketplace	model marketplace/
	prebuilt models	reusable models	off-the-shelf models/ model swapping/ reusable models
data source	customer-supplied (continuous)	user-uploaded data	dataset sync/ user data/ ongoing upload
data tuna	textual/natural language data	documents / natural language data	audio labeling/ GenAl tasks/ natural language input/document annotation/ PDF labeling/ NLP forms
data type	visual data	image/video data	image support/ video support/ lidar support
	mixed data	multi-modal support	multi-modal data/ JSON support/ GIS support
infrastructure	compute	scalable compute	auto-scalers/ serverless compute/ debug to scale
iiii asii aoiai e	cloud storage	cloud storage	cloud sync/ cloud storage/ data ingestion
partnerships	technology partners	cloud vendors	compute partner/ cloud vendors

	investors	investor	investor funding/ capital infusion/ Series B round
customer relationships	self-service portal	support resources	support docs/ live alerts/ SDK help/ customer portal/ UI analytics/ usage insights
industry focus	Industry unspecific	general purpose use case	general AI use/ multi-domain support/ universal tool
	graphical	visual builder	graphical UI/ drag builder/ visual workflow
interface	API	integration	API access/ developer tools
	SDKs	code integration	Python SDK/ CLI tools/ dev integration/ SDK integration/
pricing model	usage-based pricing	compute-based usage	usage tracking/ compute hours/ data metrics
pricing model	tiered pricing	subscription tiers	billing tier/ quota alerts/ subscription plan
revenue streams	subscription	monthly usage	subscription plan/ license model/ usage pricing
	cloud infrastructure services	compute budget	compute budget/ billing integration/ cloud cost

2.4.2 Prime Hub

Table 16: Prime Hub's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
core VP	accessibility	User-friendly	One-click Jupyter/ Visualize
		interface	progress/ Easy monitoring
	customizability	Tailored	Custom hardware specs/ Multiple
		environments	frameworks/ Co-existence versions
	efficiency	Streamlined	One-click install/ Rapid
		deployment	construction/ Automated pipelines
ML scope	predictive	predictive	data scientists/machine
			learning/ML pipelines
mode hosting	private on-premise	On-premises	on-premise cluster/ Kubernetes
	cloud	installation	cluster/ single-node install
	hybrid	Flexible deployment	On-premises cluster/ Kubernetes
			cluster/ Single-node option/ AWS
			one-click
complementary	specialized	expert consultation	consultation services
services	expertise		
	automation	Workflow	Submit scheduled jobs/ Automatic
		automation	data mounting
	governance &	Security & auditing	2-factor authentication/ Internal
	compliance		auditing/ Single sign-on
	data preparation	data preparation	prepare data

ML lifecycle activities	ML development & deployment	End-to-end MLOps	Train/deploy models/ Versioned models/ Model monitoring
	ML operation	MLOps	MLOps feature set
complementary resources	tools	Integrated platforms	JupyterLab/ Kubernetes/ Grafana dashboard
	ecosystem	Third-party integrations	3rd-party apps/ Label Studio/ MLflow integration
data source	customer-supplied (on-demand)	on-demand data	upload datasets/ shared resources/ group datasets
data type	mixed data	mixed	natural language models/training data mounting/ sensor data pipelines
infrastructure	compute	compute	Kubernetes cluster/ cloud-native/ container orchestration
	cloud storage	data storage	shared datasets/ group folders/ persistent data stores
	others	hardware configuration	custom hardware specs/ VM configurations/ on-premises installations
partnerships	technology partners	Ecosystem expansion	AWS/GKE/EKS integration/ Label Studio
	system integrators	System integrators	System integrators
	academic/research institutions	open source Collaborations	Taiwan Al Academy/ Open-source contributors/ Katacoda
customer	self-service portal		user portal/admin portal
relationships	communities	community engagement	Discord community/ Open-source contributors/ Documentation
	customer support	Tailored solutions	Customize solution/ Expert consultation
Industry focus	Industry specific	Vertical solutions	Healthcare/ Finance/ Manufacturing (E.SUN Bank/ Chimei Medical)
interface	graphical	Interactive UI	Admin Portal/ User Portal/ Job stats panel
	API	Developer access	SSH remote access/ Notebook extension/ Katacoda scenarios
pricing model	tiered pricing	Product tiers	PrimeHub Community/Enterprise
	free trial	Entry-level access	Free trial/ Community Edition/ Enterprise trial
revenue	subscription	Recurring revenue	Enterprise license
streams	transaction	one-off	consultation services

2.4.3 Iguazio

Table 17: Iguazio's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes

core VP	accessibility	Democratized AI	self-service orchestration/ multi-
		access	cloud support/ cross-company
			strategy
	customizability	Flexible	customize LLMs
		customization	
	efficiency	Operational scaling	reduce time/ optimize resources/
			scale deployments/80x Faster/25%
			Reduction/60% Faults prevented
	adaptability	open-source compatibility	open-source orchestration
machine	generative	generative	Gen Al orchestration/ LLM
learning scope			customization/ chatbot automation
model hosting	hybrid	Flexible	multi-cloud/ on-premises/ hybrid
		infrastructure	environments
complementary	specialized	Enterprise	Al experts/ McKinsey acquisition/
services	expertise	consulting	data science services
	automation	MLOps automation	pipeline orchestration/ automated
			scaling/ Al automation
	governance &	Risk mitigation	compliance tooling/ guardrails/
	compliance	tools	monitor applications
	other	hardware/cloud	GPU management/ data storage/
		capability	FSx ONTAP support/ optimize
			compute/ serverless execution
ML lifecycle	data preparation	Real-time ingestion	data ingestion/ transform data/
activities			ensure data quality
	ML development &	End-to-end Al	development to production/ entire
	deployment	lifecycle	Al pipeline/ CI/CD for ML/build
			pipelines/ feature engineering/ fine-
			tune models/ optimize training/
			model tuning/real-time inference
	ML operation	Automated MLOps	prebuilt MLOps tools/monitor live
		tooling	models/ GPU management/
			runtime scaling
complementary	tools	Integrated tools	MLRun/ serverless technology/
resources			CI/CD tools
	ecosystem	Ecosystem	Snowflake partnership/ MongoDB
		integration	collaboration/ NetApp integration
	prebuilt models	Ready components	open-source LLMs/ chatbot
			automation/ feature store
data source	customer-supplied	Continuous Al	real-time data/ live operations/ data
	(continuous)	integration	versioning/Real-time data ingestion
data type	textual/natural	natural	natural language/ textual data/
	language data	language/textual data	chatbot queries
partnerships	technology	Strategic tech	Snowflake partnership/ MongoDB
	partners	alliances	collaboration/ NetApp integration/
			OEM partners/ tech partners
	system integrators	Implementation	McKinsey/ cross-company strategy/
		partners	deployment support/ system
			integrators/ added value resellers

customer	communities	Open-source	open-source tools/ MLRun
relationships		community	community/ ecosystem feedback
	customer support	support services	support services/ customer
			success/Al specialists/ Enterprise
			support
Industry focus	Industry specific	Industry-tailored	Financial
			services/Manufacturing/Healthcare
	API	Programmatic	APIs/ feature store API/Real-time
		control	APIs/Jupyter integration
	SDKs	SDKs	SDKs/
pricing model	usage-based	Elastic scaling	scale resources
	pricing		
	free trial	Free trial	Free trial
revenue	subscription	Platform licensing	ML platform/ subscription model/
streams			enterprise access
	partnership	partner program	Partner programs/Platform
			licensing
	cloud infrastructure	Infra-based	multi-cloud/ hybrid deployment/
	services	monetization	FSx ONTAP
	training	training	Training services

2.4.4 Google Vertex Al

Table 18:Google Vertex Al's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
core VP	accessibility	available to developers	try prompts/ get credits/ available
			access
	customizability	customizable	Hyperparameter tuning for custom
		model/data/workflow	models/Bring your own
			containers/custom feature
			engineering/Custom prediction
			routines
	efficiency	faster development	accelerate development/ innovate
			faster/ test & tune
	adaptability	multimodal input	text input/ image input/ code input
ML scope	predictive	traditional machine	autoML models/Custom
		learning	training/Scikit-
			learn/XGBoost/TensorFlow/PyTorch/
			Pipelines for ML workflows/Feature
			Store, Model Monitoring, Explainable
			Al
	generative	generative capabilities	build generative apps/ generative models/ generate output/advanced

			reasoning/ state-of-art generation/ Gemini models
google vertex Al	public cloud	hosted on cloud	Google Cloud/ Vertex Al/ fully- managed
complement ary services	specialized expertise	Specialized expertise	MLOps tools/prebuilt solutions/reference architectures
•	automation	autoML models	AutoML models
	governance &	Governance &	embedded compliance/model
	compliance	compliance	monitoring/explainable Al
ML lifecycle activities	data preparation	data preparation	data processing/preparation for tabular data
	ML development & deployment	model development	build apps/ develop models/ try prompts generate answers/ process input/ multimodal output test models/ tune models/ evaluate output
	ML operation	Model operation	Model Registry/Feature Store/pipeline orchestration
complement ary resources	tools	tools	Vertex AI Studio/ Gemini API/ Agent Builder/prompt testing/ sample prompts/ output evaluation/ model triggers/trigger actions/ retrieve info/ image-to-JSON
	ecosystem	model ecosystem/cloud infrastructure	integrated Google Cloud products/ Model Garden/ extensions/Google Cloud/ fully-managed/ unified platform
	marketplace	model access	200+ models/ sample prompts/ Model Garden/ first-party models/ third-party models
	prebuilt models	prebuilt models	200+ foundation models/ Gemini 1.5 Pro/ Imagen/Chirp/Veo
	integrated AI	Al assistant	Agent Builder/Vertex AI
	asistant		Studio/prompt design tools
data source	customer- supplied (on- demand)	prompt-based input	try prompts/ upload images/ test prompts
	customer- supplied (continuous)	continuous customer data	BigQuery streaming/Feature Store/data labeling
data type	mixed data	multimodal support	text/ images/ code/ video/multimodal Gemini/text+image+video/speech-to- text
infrastructure	compute	compute customization	Ray on Vertex AI/TPU v5e/NVIDIA Tesla T4/V100/per GPU/hour (A100, H100, etc.)/pipeline run/Compute Engine
	cloud storage	storage options	Cloud Storage buckets/bigtable storage/ metadata storage/ storage of Tensor Board experiement logs

	others	ancillary infrastructure services	pipelines/ vector search/labeling/monitoring
partnerships	technology partners	third-party model developer	Anthropic Claude/ open models/ extensions
	system integrators	system integrators	google cloud marketplace/ google cloud partner/ consulting partners/ reselling partner solutions
customer relationships	self-service portal	try it yourself	sample prompts/ get credits/ try platform/ View documentation/ help pages/ platform guides
	customer support	customer support	Cloud support
	Industry unspecific	general platform	cross-industry/enterprise-ready Al/any industry/wide variety of use cases
interface	graphical	interface studio	Vertex Al Studio/ Agent Builder/ documentation/ Cloud Console/pipeline visualizer
	API	API access	Gemini API/ use extensions/ model triggers
pricing model	usage-based pricing	model usage	consumption-based pricing/per node hour/per 1K characters/per vCPU- hour/per 1000 characters for Gemini API/ per image generation (Imagen)/per node-hour pricing /per GB pricing for data analysis
	seat-based		paid per user/month/Vertex AI
	pricing		Workbench
	freemium	trial credits	\$300 credits/ new customers/ try Vertex
revenue streams	subscription	monthly payment	managed notebook service with recurring billing/paid per user/month/Colab Enterprise
	transaction	revenue per transaction	per 1000 characters for Gemini API/ per image generation (Imagen)/per node-hour pricing /per GB pricing for data analysis
	certification	certification revenue	Google Cloud certification programs/register for certifications/ premium features for certified users
	cloud infrastructure services	Google Cloud services	Google Cloud/ infrastructure/ AI products/Compute Engine storage fees

2.5 Taxonomy Evaluation

2.5.1 BigML

Table 19:BigML's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes

On-premises/Self- ual private cloud ccess/Multi-tenant e/pre-configured irst/Modular omation/1-click lows/Parameter ive trees/Exportable Certifications/24x7
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predictions/batch
iML
ML/1-click
odels/Exportable
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	Communities	Knowledge sharing	Public gallery/User feedback/Webinars
	Customer support	Assisted services	24/7 support/ Personalized training/
			Dedicated chat/ Enterprise SLAs/
			Onboarding
Industry	Industry	Cross-sector use	Education/Healthcare/Finance/Telecom/R
Focus	unspecific		etail/Energy & commodities/
			Industries/Technologies
Interface	Both	GUI &	Web interface/REST API/SDKs
		programmatic	
Pricing	Consumption-	Pay-as-you-go	Pay-per-prediction/Task credits/Auto-
Model	based		scaling costs
	Tiered pricing	Subscription plans	Free tier/Prime accounts/Enterprise
			plans/Student discounts
	Free trial	Limited access	14-day trial/Unlimited models/No credit
			card
Revenue	Direct sales	Platform	Prime accounts/Enterprise
Streams		subscriptions/setup	licenses/Customized
		fees	assistance/Dedicated chat/Architect
			services/setup fees
	Ancillary services	training &	online workshops/ certification
		certification	programs/professional training/in-situ
			training/consulting services

2.5.2 Microsoft Azure Al

Table 20:Microsoft Azure Al's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial codes	Open codes
deployment flexibility	pre-configured	Cloud-based Al services	Azure Al Foundry/pre-built models/Azure OpenAl/built-in tools/managed cloud services
user control	Configurable modular components	Customizable AI workflows	customize models/agent toolchain/fine-tune models/unified API/GenAIOps tools
	Full control on ML lifecycle	End-to-end Al lifecycle	full generative AI lifecycle/evaluate, customize, safeguard, operationalize/model retraining
machine learning scope	predictive	Traditional ML use cases	predictive maintenance/anomaly detection/customer behavior analysis/fraud detection
	generative	Advanced generative models	GPT-4 series/generative AI apps/RAG (Retrieval Augmented Generation)/Phi open models/multimodal AI
model deployment	hybrid	Multi-environment deployment	public cloud/edge Al/hybrid cloud/Azure Arc/on-premises integration
complementary services	yes	Integrated AI solutions	Azure Al Search/Azure Al Content Safety/Azure Bot Service/Immersive Reader/Metrics Advisor

supported activities	development & operational focus	Full Al lifecycle support	develop, train, deploy/monitor performance/govern resources/optimize AI apps/scale AI
Integrated resources	prebuilt models	prebuilt models	Al foundry/ foundational models
	tools	Generative Al studio	Al foundry
	Al assistant	Al assistance	Al chat/ Al agent/Azure container agent
	Managed cloud services	Automated Al infrastructure services	Azure Kubernetes Service/serverless functions/auto- scaling/Azure SQL Database/solution architects
External Resources	marketplace	Third-party AI solutions	Azure Marketplace/Hugging Face integration
	partner ecosystem	partner programs	partner solutions, ISV Success,
Data source	mixed	Multi-source data ingestion	customer data/third-party datasets/public datasets/enterprise data/real-time streams
data flow	continuous	Real-time Al processing	live data ingestion/stream analytics/real-time RAG/continuous monitoring
Data type	mixed data	Multi-modal AI support	text data/image data/sensor data/tabular data/speech data
key partners	technology partners	Al ecosystem collaborations	OpenAl/Hugging Face/Meta/Cohere/NVIDIA
	system integrators	integrated service vendors	partner solutions/ ISV Success/Managed Services Provider (MSPs)
customer engagement	self-service portal	DIY AI development	Azure AI Studio/pricing calculator/free trial/documentation/developer resources
	communities	Enterprise assistance	technical support/Azure Advisor/FinOps guidance/migration assistance/private offers
	customer support	Enterprise assistance	technical support/Azure Advisor/FinOps guidance/migration assistance/private offers
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Cross-domain Al applications	healthcare Al/retail Al/financial services Al/manufacturing Al/telecom Al
interface	both	GUI + API access	Azure Portal/REST APIs/Python SDK/CLI tools/VS Code integration
pricing model	consumption- based	Pay-as-you-go Al	pay per API call/compute-hour billing/data egress pricing/reserved capacity discounts
	freemium	freemium	30-day free trial/Azure credits/limited free tier/student discounts

revenue	direct sales	Enterprise licensing	enterprise agreements/private
streams			offers/Azure reservations/volume
			discounts/custom model
			training/premium support/migration
			services
	indirect sales	partner programs	become a partner
	ancillary services	Value-added Al services	Al consulting

2.5.3 DataRobot

Table 21:DataRobot's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
deployment flexibility	both	Hybrid deployment options	Run anywhere (Covalent), on-prem support (Nutanix), multi-cloud (AWS/GCP/Azure)
user control	Configurable modular components	Customizable workflows	customize components/mix-and- match models/edit feature engineering
	Full control on ML lifecycle	End-to-end pipeline control	Python-defined DAGs/manual hyperparameter tuning/model hot-swapping
	Full control on ML lifecycle with optional AutoML	AutoML + manual override	automated feature engineering/manual model selection/algorithm benchmarking
machine learning scope	predictive	Traditional ML use cases	time series forecasting/anomaly detection/classification models
	generative	LLM-based workflows	RAG systems/LLM fine-tuning/prompt engineering/chatbots/content generation
model deployment	hybrid	Multi-environment support	public cloud + on-prem/NVIDIA NeMo guards/hybrid workflows
complementary services	yes	Value-added services	Al governance/compliance checks/model monitoring/LLM guards/human feedback tools
supported activities	development & operational focus	Full lifecycle management	model training → deployment → monitoring/CI/CD integration/version control
Integrated Resources	tools	Built-in development tools	GUI app builder/notebooks/feature engineering blueprints
	prebuilt models	Pretrained model library	NVIDIA NeMo models/LLM templates/time series recipes
	managed cloud services	Infrastructure management	auto-scaling GPUs/hosted embeddings/NVIDIA NIM integration
	mixed	Built-in development tools/ Pretrained model library/ Infrastructure management	GUI app builder/notebooks/feature engineering blueprints NVIDIA NeMo models/LLM templates/time series recipes auto-scaling GPUs/hosted embeddings/NVIDIA NIM integration

External Resources	marketplace	Third-party integrations	Hugging Face models/Slack chatbots/Salesforce apps/Databricks connectors
	partner ecosystem	Strategic alliances	NVIDIA co-engineering/SAP partnerships/AWS Bedrock integration
data source	both	Hybrid data ingestion	customer data/ synthetic data/vector DBs/external APIs
Data Flow	continuous	Real-time processing	live model monitoring/streaming predictions/dynamic retraining
data type	mixed data	Multimodal support	tabular + images + text/geospatial coordinates/time-series sensors
key partners	technology partners	Infrastructure providers	NVIDIA/AWS/GCP/Azure/Snowflake
	system integrators	Enterprise solutions	SAP/Tableau/Salesforce
customer engagement	self-service portal	DIY tools	GUI app builder/trial access/interactive dashboards
	customer support	Enterprise services	compliance documentation/governance guardrails/SLAs
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	vertical solutions	healthcare Al/financial forecasting/manufacturing yield optimization
interface	both	Dual access modes	APIs/SDKs/drag-and-drop UI/Streamlit/Shiny apps
pricing model	consumption- based	Pay-per-use	GPU cost tracking/token-based LLM billing
	tiered	Feature-based plans	enterprise vs. starter tiers/custom metrics pricing
	freemium	Freemium offering	14-day trial/open-source Covalent
revenue streams	direct sales	Platform subscriptions	enterprise licensing/annual contracts
	indirect sales	partner revenue	partner programs/partner certifications
	ancillary services	Professional services	compliance consulting/custom app development

2.5.4 VESSL AI

Table 22:VESSL Al's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
deployment flexibility	self-managed	Managed infrastructure	fully managed cloud/pre-defined resources/managed AWS/managed storage/out-of-the-box

user control	Full control on ML	Customizable	YAML interface/CLI commands/web
	lifecycle	workflows	interface/custom resource specs/priority
			scheduling
machine	predictive	LLM focus	Llama fine-tuning/Stable Diffusion/chatbot
learning scope	prodictivo	ELIVI 10000	deployment/text-to-image/RAG workflows
model	hybrid	Multi-cloud	any cloud/on-prem clusters/OCI
deployment	Tryona	support	cluster/AWS/Google Cloud/spot instances
complementary	yes	Integrated	Vertex Al integration/Slurm
services	yes	tools	alternative/NVIDIA NIM/Hugging
301 11003		10013	Face/LangChain/Pinecone
supported	development &	End-to-end	training to deployment/CI/CD pipelines/model
activities	operational focus	MLOps	monitoring/auto-scaling/data preprocessing
Integrated	mixed	Prebuilt	VESSL Hub models/Hugging Face
Resources		assets	datasets/NVIDIA NeMo/pre-configured
	1. ()		YAMLs/Stable Diffusion templates
External	marketplace	Model hub	VESSL Hub/open-source models/Hugging
Resources			Face/community templates/third-party
			integrations
data source	mixed	Hybrid data	GitHub code/S3 datasets/user-provided
			data/Hugging Face/on-prem storage
Data Flow	on-demand	Dynamic	instant HPC access/mount datasets/export
		access	artifacts/real-time monitoring/on-demand
			scaling
data type	mixed data	Multimodal	text/natural language/visual data/time-
		support	series/speech (Whisper)/sensor data
key partners	technology	Cloud/GPU	Google Cloud/NVIDIA/Oracle/AWS/Lambda
	partners	providers	
	academic/research	free for	VESSL AI for Academics/free academic
	institutions	academic	program/KAIST/McGill/MIT
customer	self-service portal	Developer	web console/CLI/YAML config/free academic
engagement		tools	
		10010	plan/community docs
	communities	communities	slack channel/community
Industry focus	communities Industry unspecific		· ·
Industry focus		communities	slack channel/community
Industry focus		communities Cross-	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous
Industry focus		communities Cross-	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative Al
,	Industry unspecific	communities Cross- domain	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI
,	Industry unspecific	communities Cross- domain Unified	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST
interface	Industry unspecific	communities Cross- domain Unified interfaces	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands
interface	Industry unspecific both consumption-	communities Cross- domain Unified interfaces consumption	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands
interface	Industry unspecific both consumption- based	Cross-domain Unified interfaces consumption based	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands reserved instances, credits/hour,
interface	Industry unspecific both consumption- based	Cross-domain Unified interfaces consumption based paid and free	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands reserved instances, credits/hour, pay-as-you-go/free academic plan/reserved
interface	Industry unspecific both consumption- based tiered	communities Cross- domain Unified interfaces consumption based paid and free tier	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands reserved instances, credits/hour, pay-as-you-go/free academic plan/reserved instances/credits/hour/custom invoicing VESSL AI for Academics/free academic
interface	Industry unspecific both consumption- based tiered	communities Cross- domain Unified interfaces consumption based paid and free tier free for academic	slack channel/community academic research/autonomous driving/healthcare/generative AI startups/enterprise AI web dashboard/Python SDK/REST APIs/YAML definitions/CLI commands reserved instances, credits/hour, pay-as-you-go/free academic plan/reserved instances/credits/hour/custom invoicing VESSL AI for Academics/free academic program/KAIST/McGill/MIT
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2.6 Taxonomy Analysis

2.6.1 Alibaba ML Platform for Al

Table 23: Alibaba ML Platform for Al's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
deployment	self-managed	Hybrid deployment options	Cloud-native platform/Elastic scaling/On-premises integration
flexibility	pre-configured	Ready-to-use templates	Model Gallery/Prebuilt templates/Drag- and-drop components
	Configurable modular components	Customizable workflows	Custom labeling templates/Adjustable parameters/Modular algorithm components
user control	Full control on ML lifecycle	End-to-end pipeline control	Whole-process AI engineering/Manual model tuning/Workflow customization
	Full control on ML lifecycle with optional AutoML	Automated + manual options	AutoML components/Predefined algorithms/Custom frameworks
	predictive	Traditional ML use cases	Regression models/Classification/Risk control
machine learning scope	generative	Generative AI capabilities	Stable Diffusion/LLM deployment/Image generation
	both public/private cloud	Cloud + edge options	Public cloud deployment/Edge optimization/Hybrid resource scheduling
complementary services	yes	Additional support/services	1-on-1 presale consultation/24/7 technical support/Managed labeling services
supported	development and	Full lifecycle	Model training/Inference
activities	operational focus	management	deployment/Data labeling
	tools	Built-in development tools	PAI-Designer/PAI-DSW/Jupyter Notebook
Integrated Resources	prebuilt models	Model repository	Qwen models/Wan series/140+ built-in algorithms
	managed cloud services	Cloud-native infrastructure	PAI-EAS/PAI-DLC/Elastic Algorithm Service
	marketplace	Third-party integrations	Al Marketplace, Model Gallery/Cisco Meraki vMX/Fortinet integrations, Marketplace onboarding
External Resources	partner ecosystem	Partner ecosystem,	ISV solutions/Alibaba Cloud Al Alliance/Nexus Partner Program/ISV Go-To-Market/Co-Sell agreements/Reseller partnerships/Private deployment options/Custom SaaS solutions/Branded integrations
data source	mixed	Customer + third- party data	Enterprise knowledge base/Custom datasets/Public datasets
Data Flow	continuous	Real-time processing	Online inference/Streaming data/Real-time monitoring

data type	mixed data	Multimodal support	Text/image/video/Sensor data/Structured/unstructured
key partners	technology partners	Integrations with tech providers	Cisco Meraki/Palo Alto Networks/Red Hat
key partilers	academic/research institutions	Collaborations	Research partnerships/Open-source contributions
	self-service portal	console and portals	PAI Console/API documentation/Billing dashboard
customer	communities	community forum	Developer forums/Learning Path courses/Certification programs
engagement	customer support	sales and assistance	1-on-1 presale consultation/Submit a ticket/18-hour response SLA/Dedicated technical experts/24/7 partner support/Solution validation
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Cross-industry applications	E- commerce/Finance/Healthcare/Gaming
interface	both	GUI + programmatic access	Graphical Designer/REST APIs/Python SDK
pricing model	consumption-based	Pay-as-you-go	Per-hour billing/Resource-based pricing/Inference duration fees
pricing model	tiered	Subscription plans	Free tier/Enterprise plans/Volume discounts
revenue	direct sales	Platform subscriptions	PAI-EAS pricing/DSW hourly rates/DLC job costs
streams	ancillary services	Value-added services	Outsourced labeling/Premium support/Training certification

2.6.2 Jfrog ML

Table 24: Jfrog ML's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
deployment	self-managed	Infrastructure control	your own infrastructure/multi-cloud support/hybrid deployments/self-hosted option/streaming feature store
flexibility	pre-configured	Out-of-box solutions	out-of-box approach/unified solution/prebuilt integrations/native support/one-click deployment
	Configurable modular components	Customizable workflows	feature lifecycle management/prompt engineering/model fine-tuning/API endpoints/A/B testing
user control	Full control on ML lifecycle	End-to-end management	model training/deployment monitoring/feature engineering/batch inference/experiment tracking
	Full control on ML lifecycle with optional AutoML	Automated optimization	AutoML integrations/scalable serving/model registry/automated scans/vector store
machine learning scope	predictive	Traditional ML	classic ML/feature store/model testing/batch inference/numeric data

			LLM applications/generative Al/prompt
	generative	Advanced Al	management/embedding
		support	models/NVIDIA NIM
		Multi-	multi-cloud deployments/edge
model	both public/private	environment	nodes/hybrid infrastructure/AWS/GCP
deployment	cloud	support	native/private CDN
			Gold Support/Platinum
complementary	yes	Enhanced	Support/consulting services/training
services	,	support/services	programs/community forum
			build to monitor/DevSecOps
supported	development and	Lifecycle	integration/model lifecycle/secure
activities	operational focus	coverage	SDLC/production monitoring
		Ü	experiment tracking tools.CLI
			plugins/API endpoints/
	tools		DevOps Integration/ DevSecOps tools/
		development	CI/CD pipelines/Artifactory
		tools	integration/Security Scanners
		10010	NVIDIA NIM models/Hugging Face
Integrated			LLMs/open-source embeddings/Custom
Resources	prebuilt models	third party	Model Hub/fine-tuned models/enterprise
Resources		models	embeddings/versioned binaries
		models	AWS/GCP native/multi-cloud
			serving/Kubernetes orchestration/
	managed cloud		_
	services	managed sloud	Infrastructure Handling/scalable
		managed cloud	inference/private CDN/edge node
		services	support
External		0-11-1	technology partners/NVIDIA
Resources	partner ecosystem	Collaboration	integration/cloud partners/consulting
		networks	partners/GitHub integration
1.1.			customer data/third-party
data source	mixed		models/NVIDIA datasets/open-source
		Dual sourcing	components/feature store inputs
5 / 5			streaming features/real-time
Data Flow	continuous	Real-time	metrics/continuous deployment/live
		processing	monitoring/API serving
data type	mixed data	Multi-format	textual prompts/numeric metrics/visual
		support	embeddings/sensor data/model binaries
	technology partners	Strategic	NVIDIA Enterprise/AWS/GCP/Hugging
	teermeregy pararere	alliances	Face/GitHub/Kubernetes
key partners			consulting partners/channel
	system integrators	Implementation	partners/DevOps integrators/cloud
		support	providers/enterprise architects
customer engagement	self-service portal		developer portal/community
	John John Moo Portai	DIY tools	resources/API/SDK docs/free courses
			24/7 SLA/ticket portal/professional
	customer support	Premium	services/on-site engagements/help
		assistance	center
			Fortune 100 customers/multi-
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Broad	Fortune 100 customers/multi- industry/enterprise-scale/global
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Broad applicability	
Industry focus	Industry unspecific		industry/enterprise-scale/global

pricing model	tiered	Scalable plans	Pro/Enterprise tiers/annual contracts/custom pricing/add-ons/free trial
revenue streams	direct sales	B2B monetization	subscription plans/enterprise licenses,
	indirect sales		
	ancillary services	complementary services	premium support/training fees/consulting revenue

2.6.3 H2O.ai

Table 25: H2O.ai's codebook

Dimension	Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
deployment flexibility	self-managed	Hybrid deployment options	Hybrid cloud/On-premises/Air- gapped/Customer VPC/Kubernetes
	pre-configured	Managed cloud services	Fully managed/SOC2 compliant/Single- tenant/Multi-layer security/Automated scaling
user control	Configurable modular components	Customizable Al apps	Low-code Python/Auto-generated code/Tailored apps/API integrations/Modular workflows
	Full control on ML lifecycle	End-to-end lineage	Experiment tracking/Model registry/Deployment logs/Metadata retention/Reproducibility
	Full control on ML lifecycle with optional AutoML	Automated feature engineering	Driverless Al/AutoML/Hyperparameter tuning/Model validation/Automatic selection
machine learning scope	predictive	Industry- specific analytics	Fraud detection/ Risk assessment/ Credit scoring/ Churn prediction/ Demand forecasting
	generative	Multimodal Al	Document AI/ Text generation/ Image RAG/ Code assistant/ JSON generation
model deployment	Hybrid	Multi- environment support	Cloud VPC/On-premises/Air- gapped/Kubernetes clusters/Edge compatibility
complementary services	yes	Professional services	Consulting/Custom AI solutions/Training programs/Support services/Implementation guides
supported activities	development and operational focus	MLOps integration	Model monitoring/ Drift detection/ Bias alerts/ High availability/ Real-time scoring
Integrated Resources	tools	AutoML platforms	H2O-3/Driverless Al/Feature Store/LLM Studio/Document Al
	prebuilt models	Fine-tuned SLMs	H2O Danube/Mississippi-2B/Kaggle models/Open-source LLMs/Distilled models
	managed cloud services	Fully hosted solutions	SOC2 compliance/HIPAA adherence/Encryption/Dedicated environment/Automated updates
External Resources	marketplace	Al app store	GenAl apps/Fraud detection/Complaint summarizer/Procurement GPT/Custom apps

	partner ecosystem	Technology integrations	AWS EKS/Azure AKS/Google GKS/Red Hat OpenShift/HPE Ezmeral
data source	customer	Enterprise data usage	User-provided datasets/Financial history/Patient records/Transaction logs/CRM data
	both	Hybrid data ingestion	Third-party APIs/Open-source datasets/Partner data/Public benchmarks/Synthetic data
Data Flow	continuous	Real-time processing	Live scoring/Streaming analytics/Dynamic updates/API calls/Event-driven pipelines
data type	mixed data	Multimodal inputs	Text/Images/Tabular data/Time-series/Audio transcripts
	technology partners	Cloud providers	AWS/Azure/GCP/NVIDIA/Apache Spark
key partners	system integrators	Enterprise solutions	Accenture/Deloitte/HPE/Red Hat/Kubernetes experts
	academic/research institutions	Kaggle collaborations	20+ Grandmasters/Research papers/Open- source contributions/Hackathons/University programs
customer engagement	self-service portal	Al Cloud access	Documentation/Tutorials/Sandbox environment
	communities	Open-source forums	GitHub/Gitter/LinkedIn groups/User meetups/Webinars
	customer support	Dedicated assistance	24/7 support/Success programs/Proactive outreach/Multi-channel (email/chat/phone)/SLAs
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Cross- industry solutions	Banking/Healthcare/Telecom/Retail/Insurance
interface	both	GUI and APIs	No-code UI/Python SDK/REST APIs/CLI tools/Dashboard visualizations
	consumption- based	Pay-per-use options	Token pricing/GPU-hour billing/Query costs/Dynamic scaling/Cloud credits
pricing model	tiered	Enterprise subscriptions	Premium features/Dedicated support/Custom SLAs/Advanced security/Compliance packages
	freemium	Open-source tier	H2O-3 free/Community edition/Limited features/Trial licenses/Sample datasets
revenue streams	direct sales	Enterprise licenses	Driverless AI subscriptions/Cloud hosting fees/Per-seat pricing/Add-ons/Custom deployments
	ancillary services	Training and consulting	Certification programs/Workshops/Implementation services/Audit support/MRM (Model Risk Mgmt)

2.6.4 Cloudera Al

Table 26: Cloudera Al's codebook

Dimension Characteristics	Axial Codes	Open Codes
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deployment flexibility	self-managed	On-premises deployment	Cloudera AI on premises/ Operates inside data center/ Red Hat OpenShift integration
	pre-configured	Cloud-native service	Cloud-native portable experience/ Multi-cloud ready/ AWS/ Azure/ GCP managed
	Configurable modular components	Modular Al tools	Containerized workspaces/ RAG Studio/ Fine-tuning studio
user control	Full control on ML lifecycle with optional AutoML	Customizable workflows/Automated pipelines	End-to-end ML lifecycle/ Model governance/ Track model-data lineage/ Accelerators for ML Projects/ Automated model retraining/ Pre-built AMPs
machine learning scope	predictive	Traditional ML	Churn modeling/ Anomaly detection/ Flight cancellation prediction
	generative	LLM support	GenAl applications/ RAG workflows/ Synthetic data generation
model deployment	hybrid	Multi-cloud + on-prem	True hybrid architecture/ Data anywhere/ Portable workloads/Multi-cloud ready/ AWS/ Azure/ GCP managed
complementary services	yes	Integrated tools	Cloudera Data Warehouse/ SDX for models/ Unified governance
supported activities	development operational focus	MLOps integration	Model monitoring/ Continuous metrics/ Production-grade serving
	tools	End-to-end toolkit	Spark-on-Kubernetes/ SQL editor/ Drag-and-drop visualization
Integrated Resources	prebuilt models	AMPs (Accelerators)	One-click AMPs/ Pre-built reference examples/ Knowledge distillation
	managed cloud services	Cloud-native infra	Elastic autoscaling/ Kubernetes orchestration/ EKS/ AKS/ GKE support
External Resources	partner ecosystem	Technology integrations	NVIDIA NIM/ HuggingFace Spaces/ Amazon Bedrock
data source	both	Hybrid data access	Proprietary data/ Enterprise data lake/ Third-party vector DBs
Data Flow	continuous	Real-time pipelines	Streaming data distribution/ Real-time inference/ Event- driven workflows
data type	mixed data	Multi-modal support	Text summarization/ Image analysis/ Video classification
key partners	technology partners	Vendor integrations	NVIDIA/ Apache Iceberg/ Pinecone

	system integrators	Implementation support	Professional Services/ Resident Solutions Architect/ SmartPrivate deployment
customer engagement	self-service portal	User-friendly UI	User onboarding/ Documentation/ guides/ AMP documentation/ Getting started/ Browse catalog/ On-demand webinars/ Watch video
	communities	community events	Cloudera Community/ Gartner PeerInsights/ Partner showcase/ ClouderaNOW event
	customer support	dedicated assistance	Contact sales/ Professional Services/ Resident Architect
Industry focus	Industry unspecific	Domain wide use cases	Banking/ Healthcare/ Retail/ Telecom
interface	both	GUI + APIs	Interactive applications/ Point- and-click interface/ Graphical dashboards/ REST endpoints/ SDK/ API access
pricing model	consumption- based	Pay-as-you-go	Scale dynamically/ Pay for compute used/ Elastic pricing
	freemium	Limited access	5-day free trial/ Use case pilots/ No-cost onboarding
revenue streams	direct sales	Enterprise subscriptions	Contact sales/ Enterprise plans/ Managed services
	ancillary services	Training/certification	Certification exams/ Professional Services/ Resident Architect