



TensorFlow

TensorFlow Extended (TFX)

Real World Machine Learning in Production



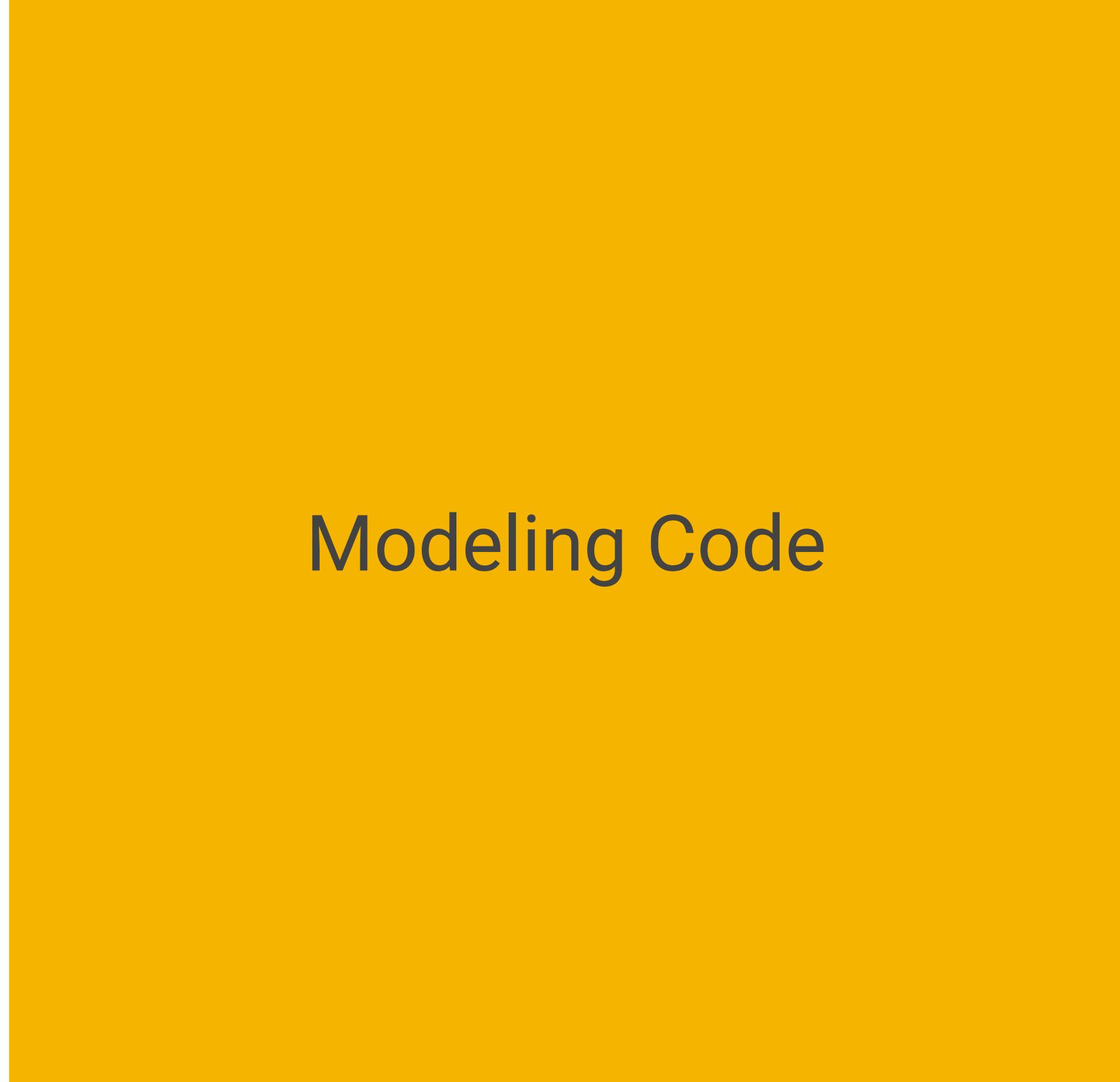
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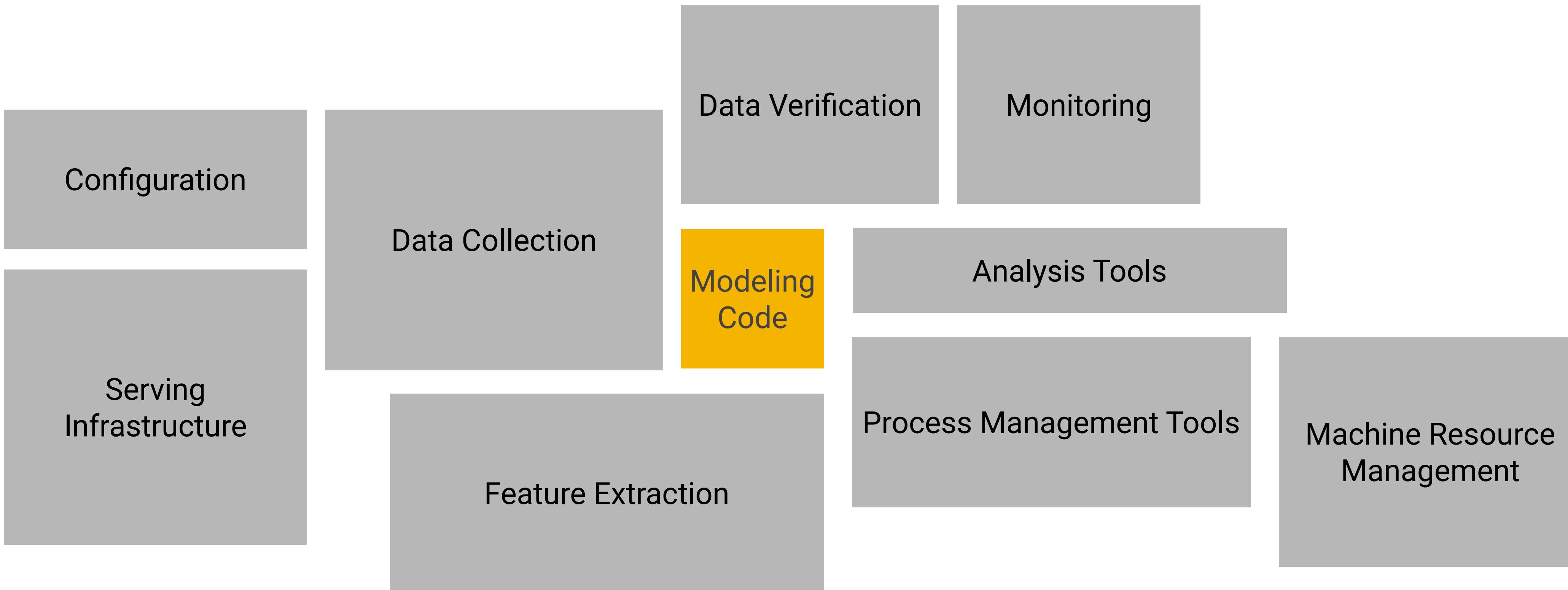


In addition to training an amazing model ...



Modeling Code

... a production solution requires so much more





Tales From The Trenches

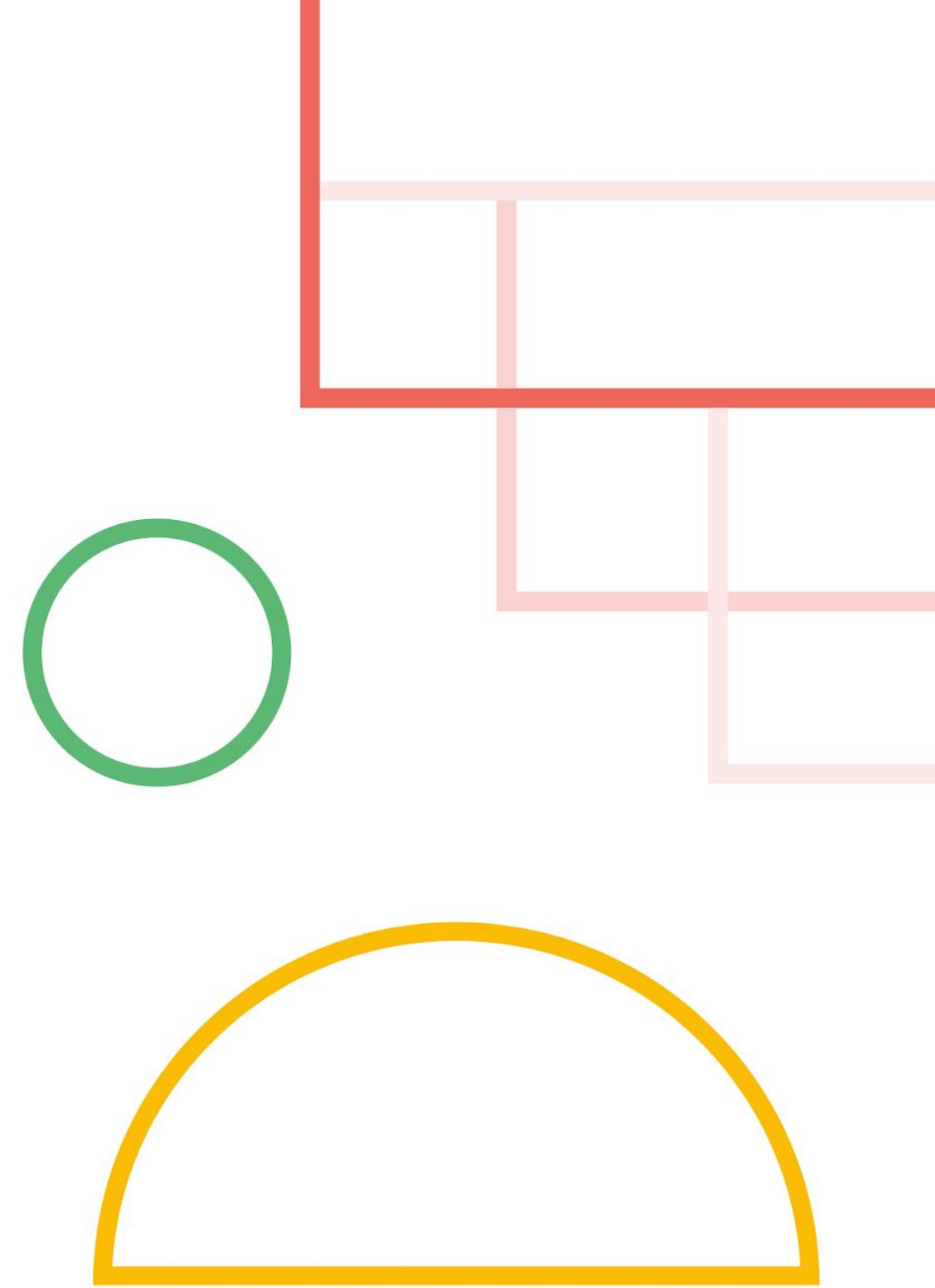
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The story of enterprise Machine Learning: “It took me 3 weeks to develop the model. It’s been >11 months, and it’s still not deployed.”
@DineshNirmalIBM #StrataData #strataconf

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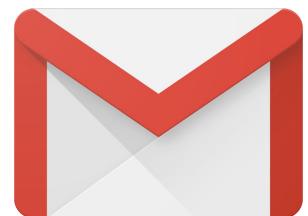
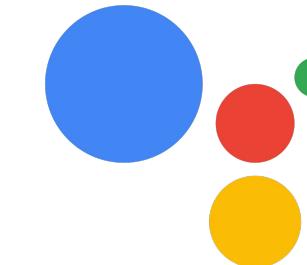
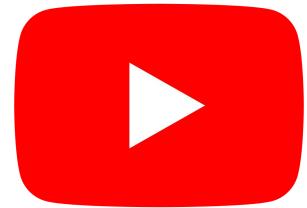
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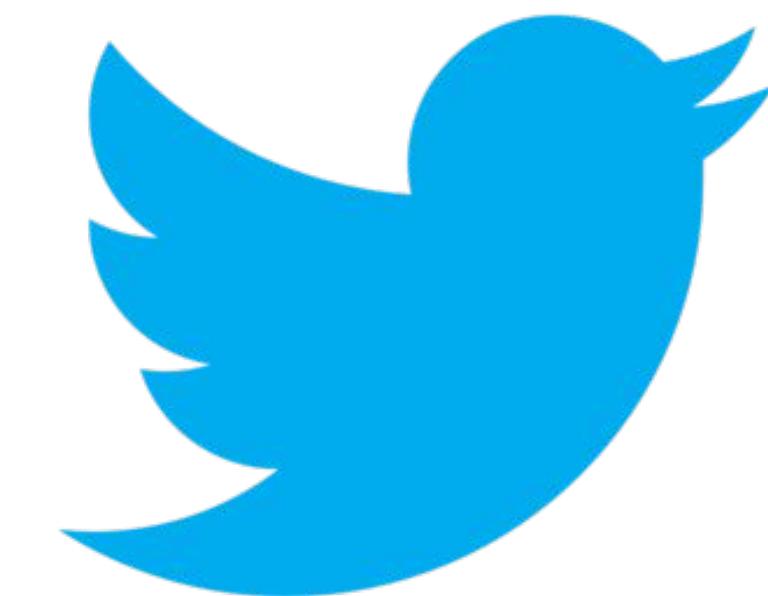
Tensorflow Extended (TFX)

Powers Alphabet's most important bets and products





... and some of our most important partners.



“... we have re-tooled our machine learning platform to use TensorFlow. This yielded significant productivity gains while positioning ourselves to take advantage of the latest industry research.”

Ranking Tweets with TensorFlow - Twitter blog post





Production Machine Learning

Machine Learning Development

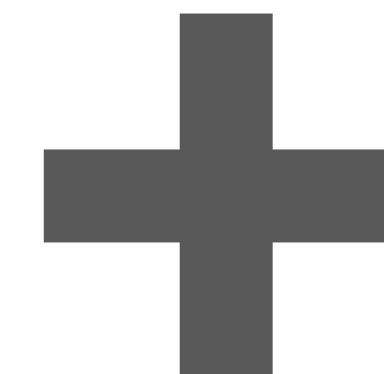
- Labeled data
- Feature space coverage
- Minimal dimensionality
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Modern Software Development

- Scalability
- Extensibility
- Configuration
- Consistency & Reproducibility
- Modularity
- Best Practices
- Testability
- Monitoring
- Safety & Security

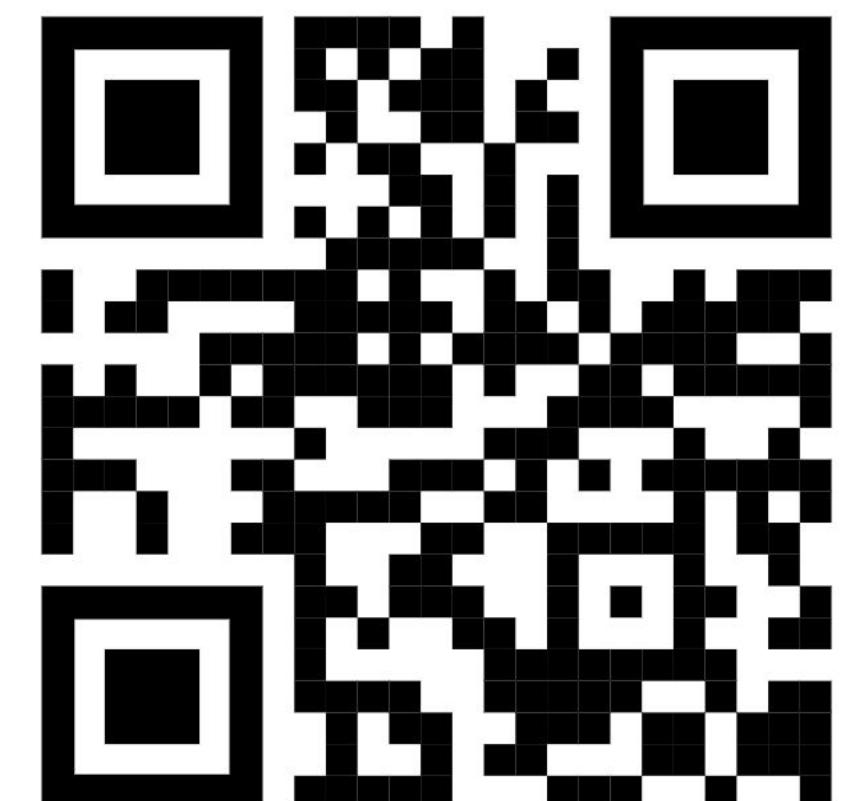


Production Machine Learning

“Hidden Technical Debt in Machine Learning Systems”

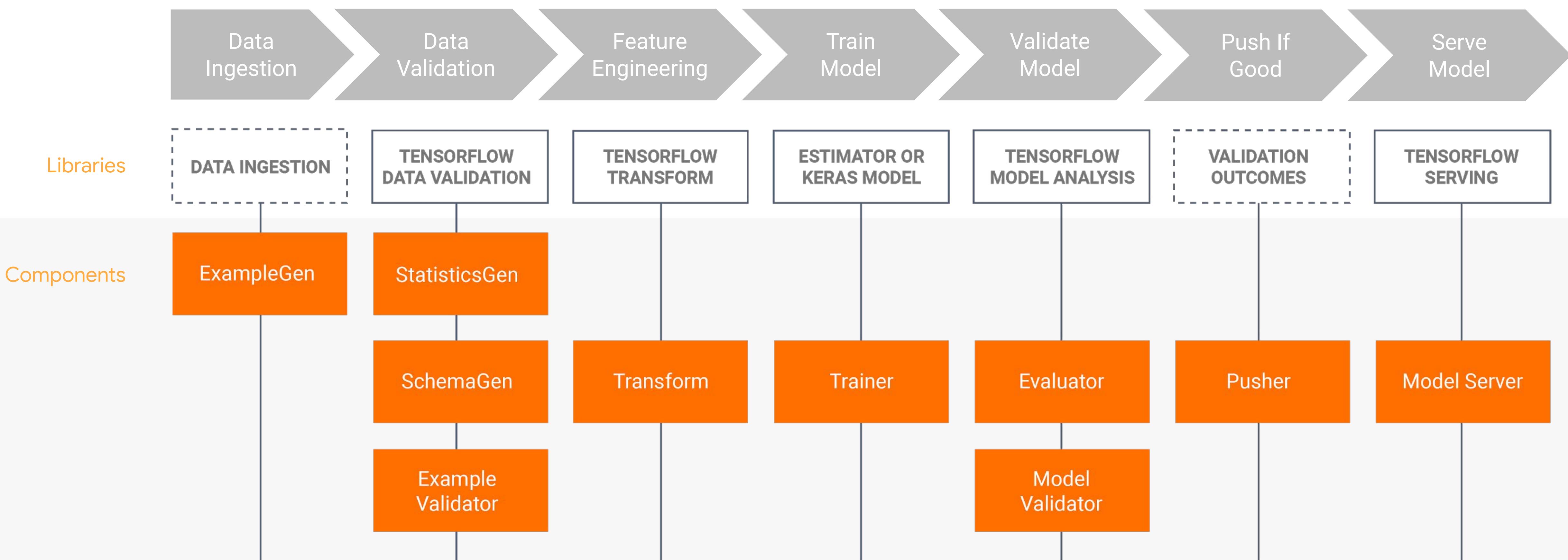
NIPS 2015

<http://bit.ly/ml-techdebt>

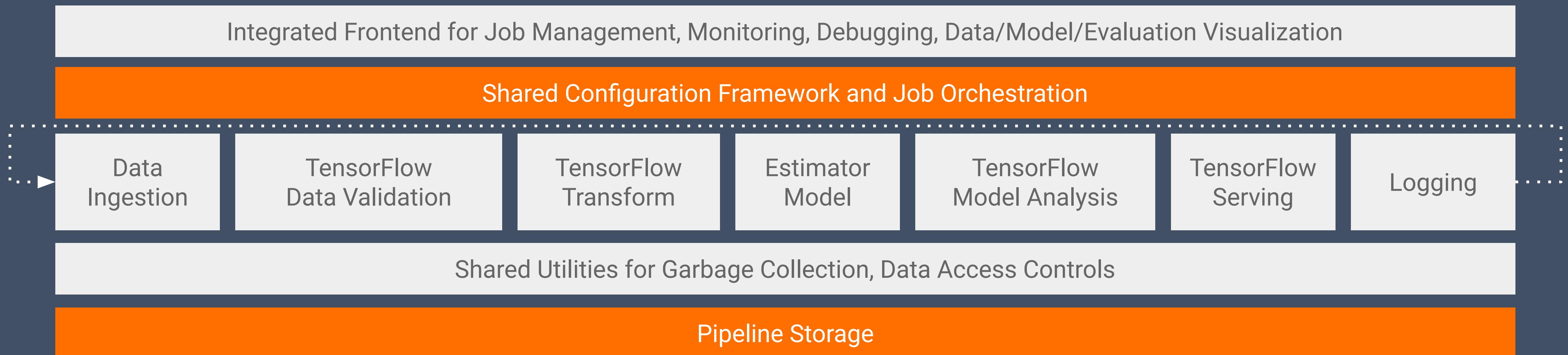


Data Lifecycle

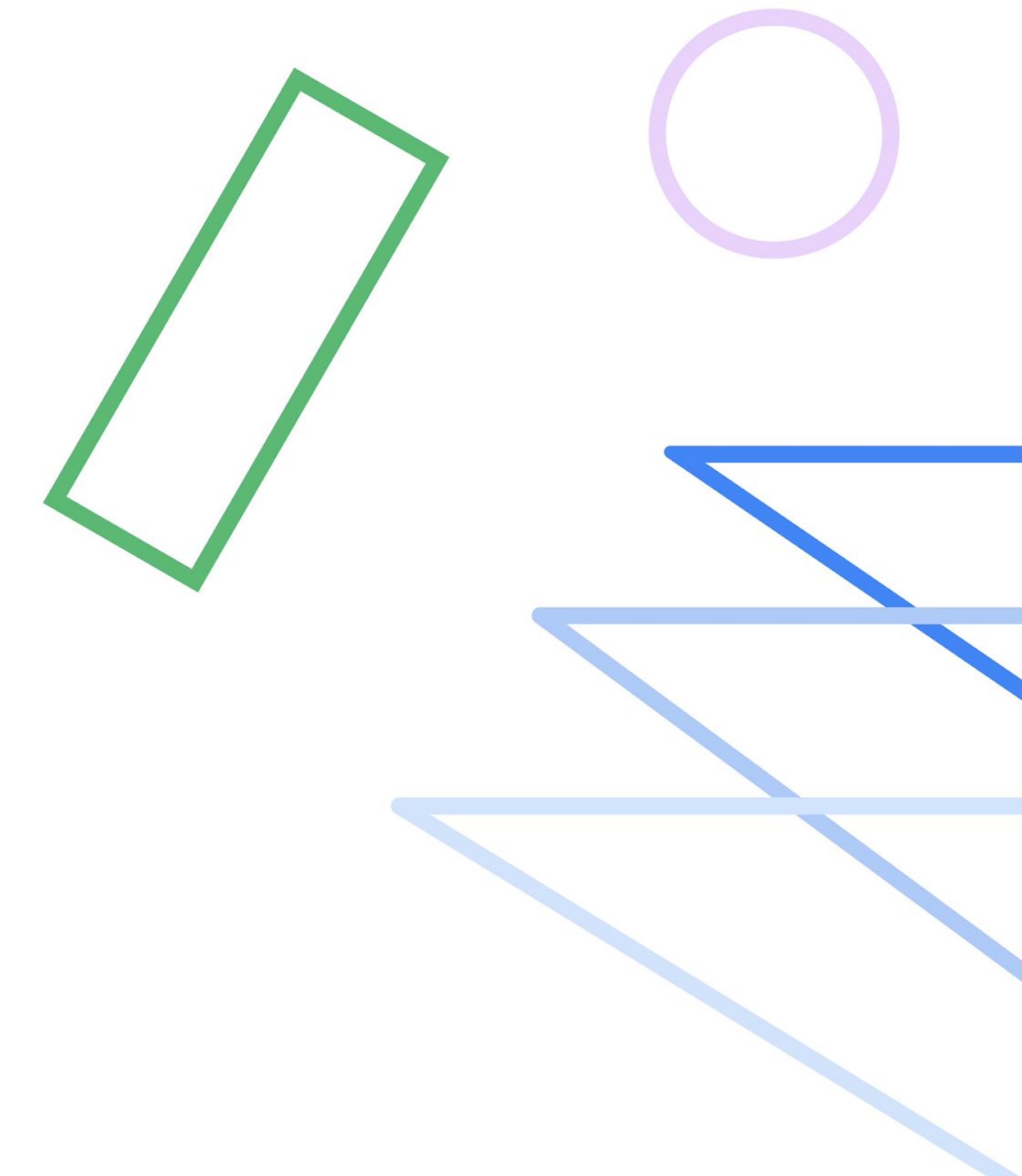
TFX Production Components



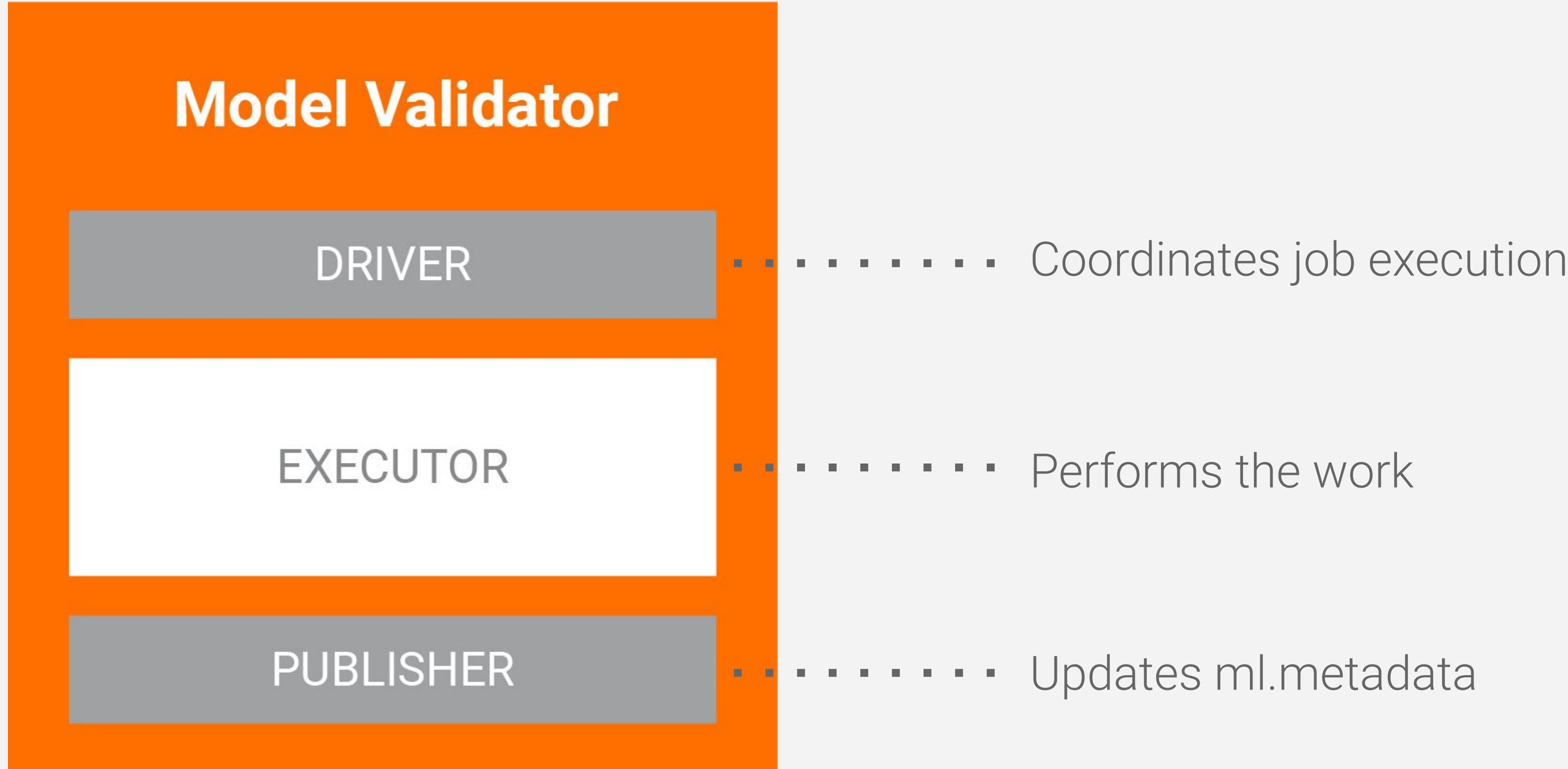
Horizontal Layers Coordinate Components



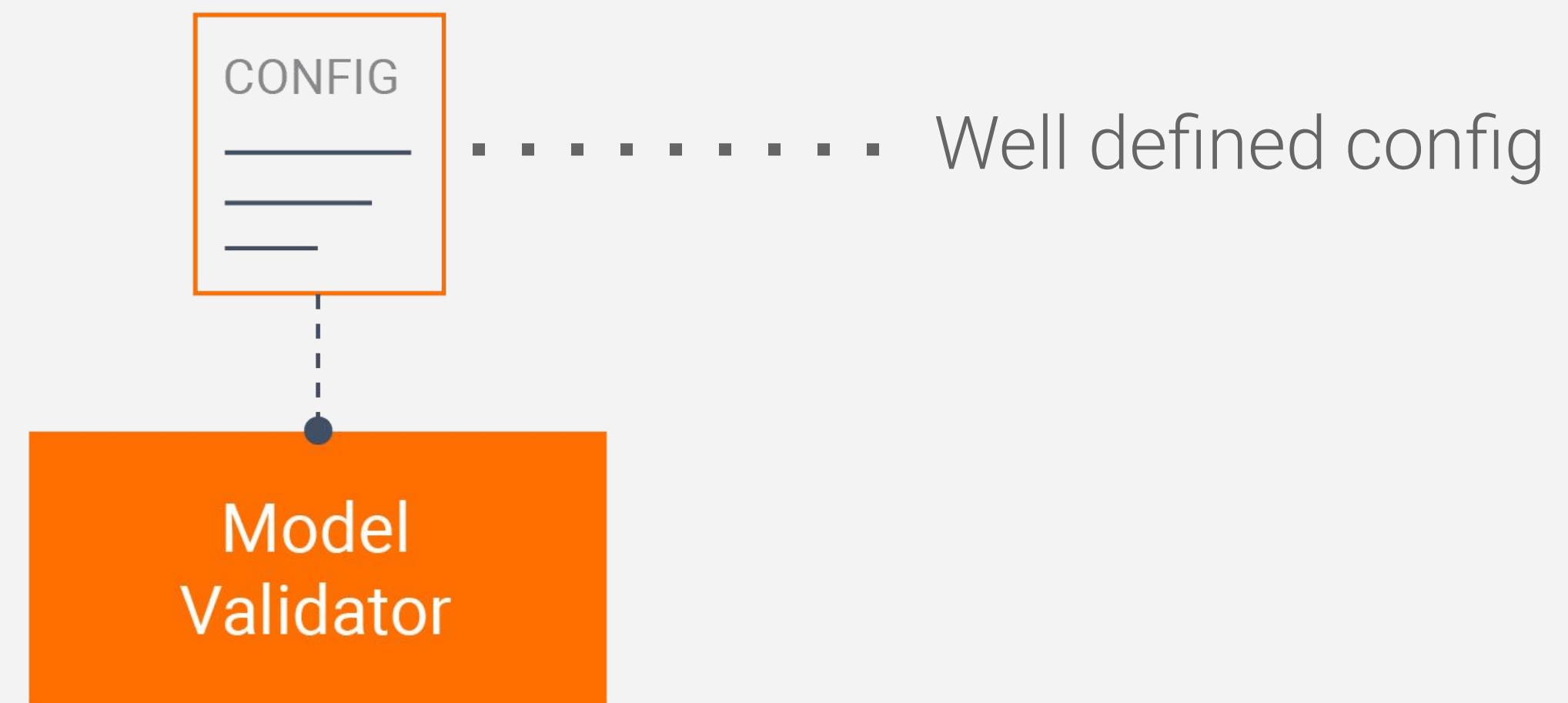
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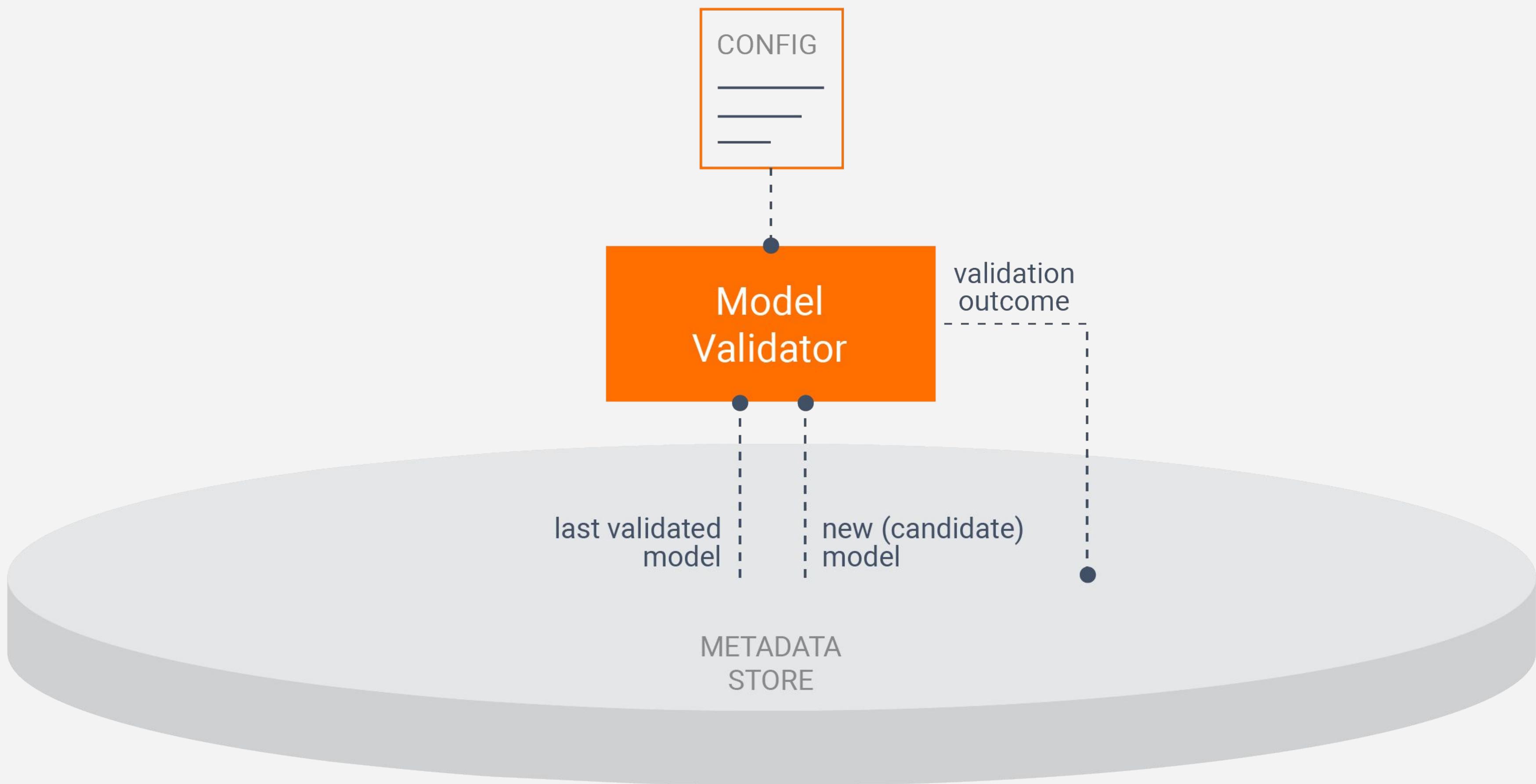
Model Validator



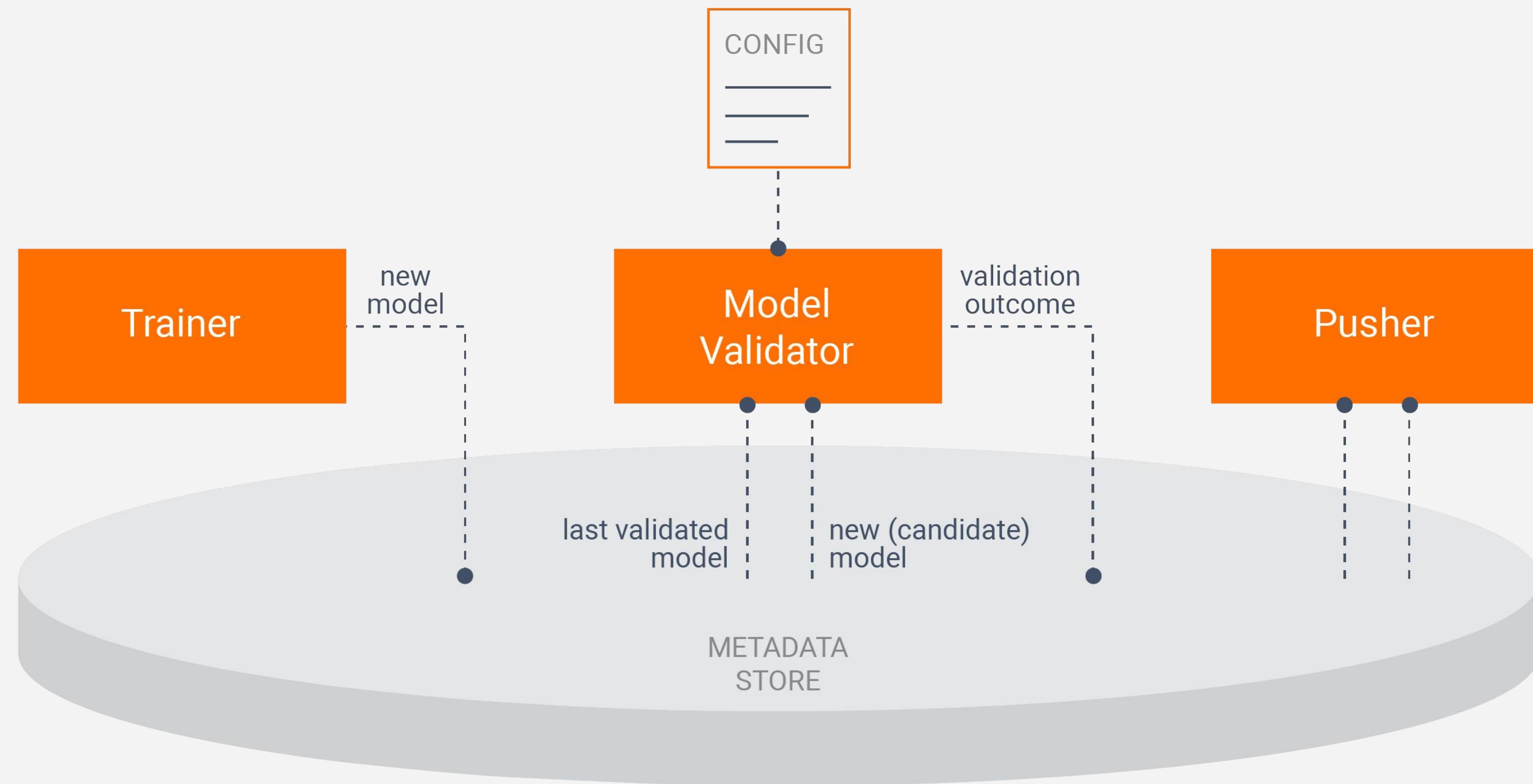
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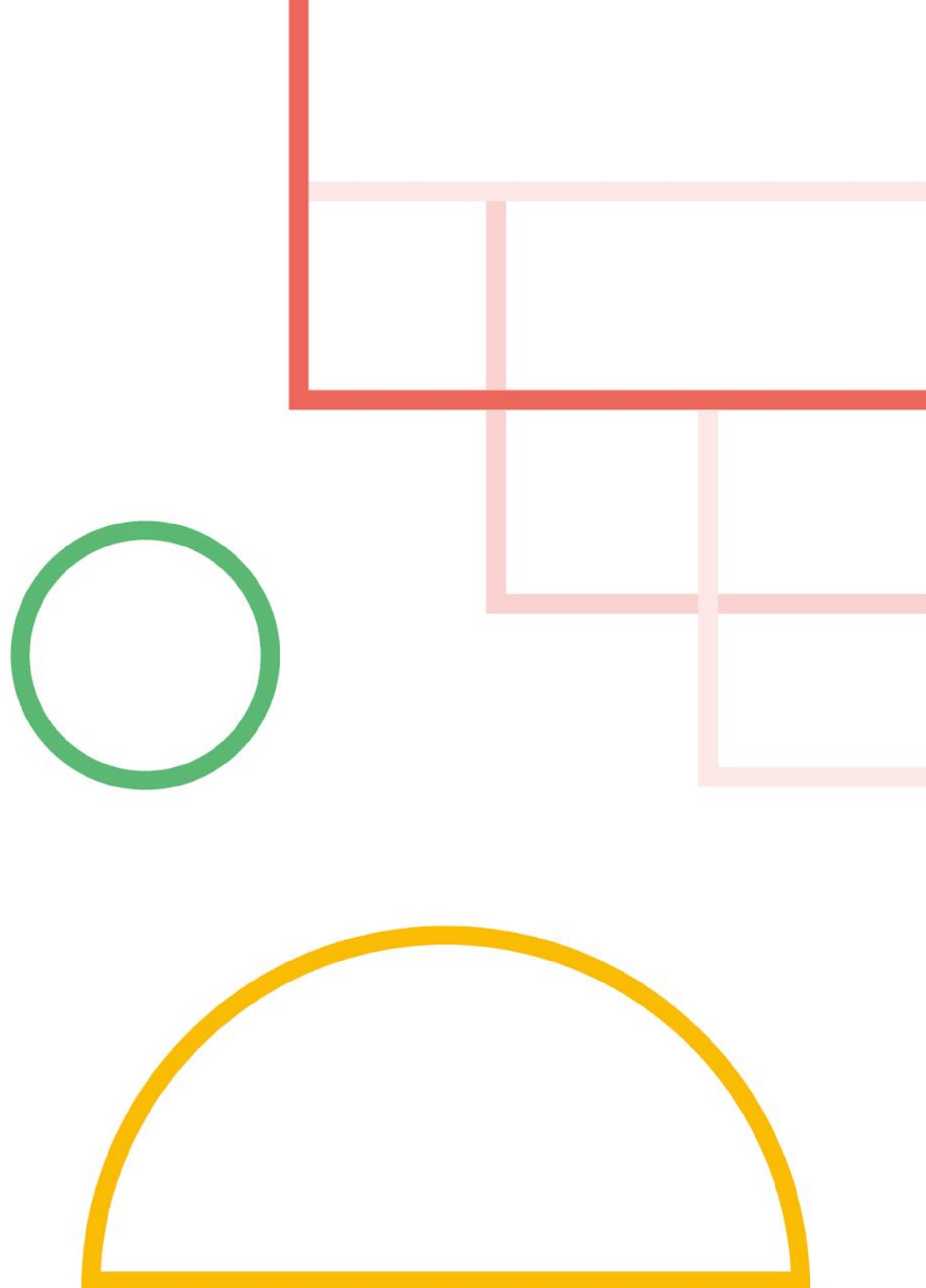


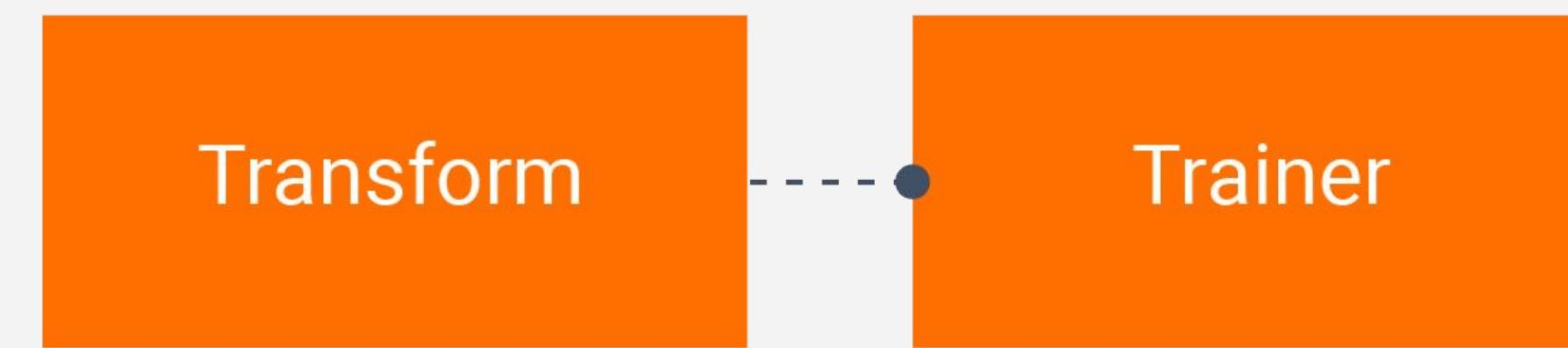
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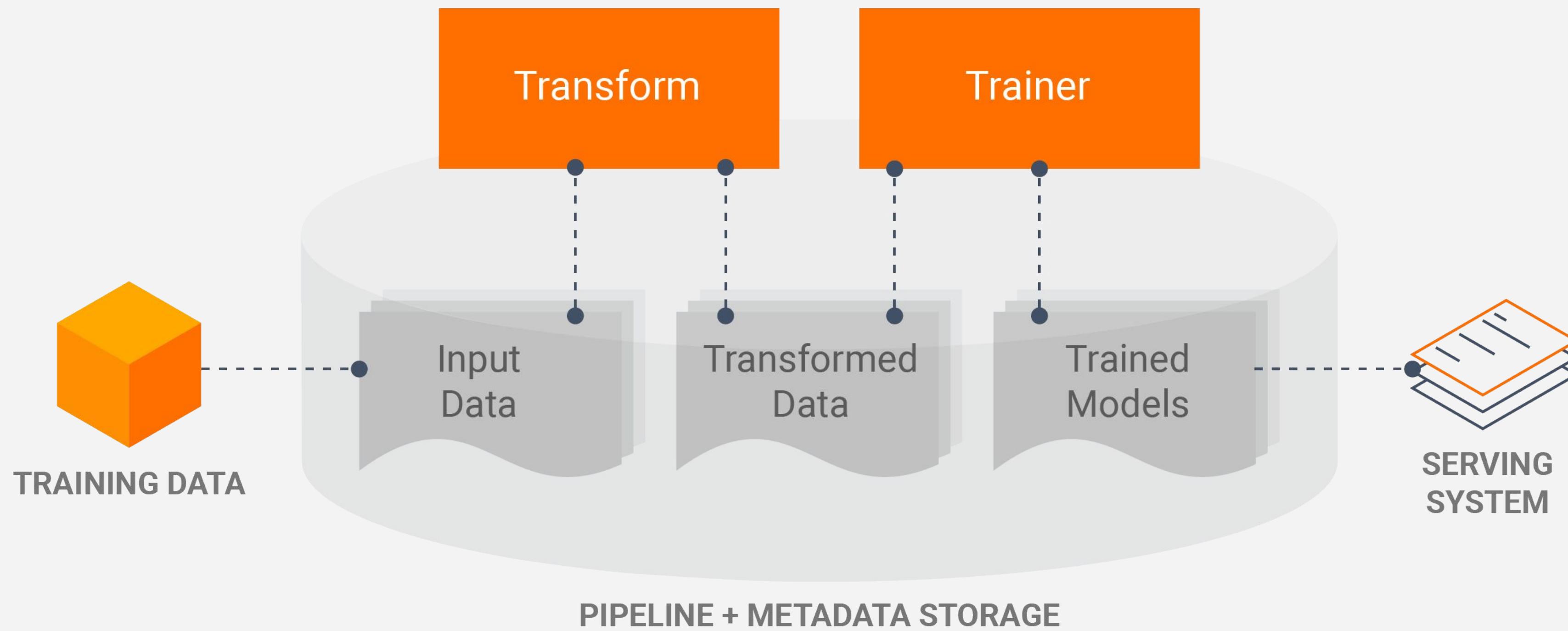
What makes a Component?

Orchestration Styles





Task-Aware Pipelines

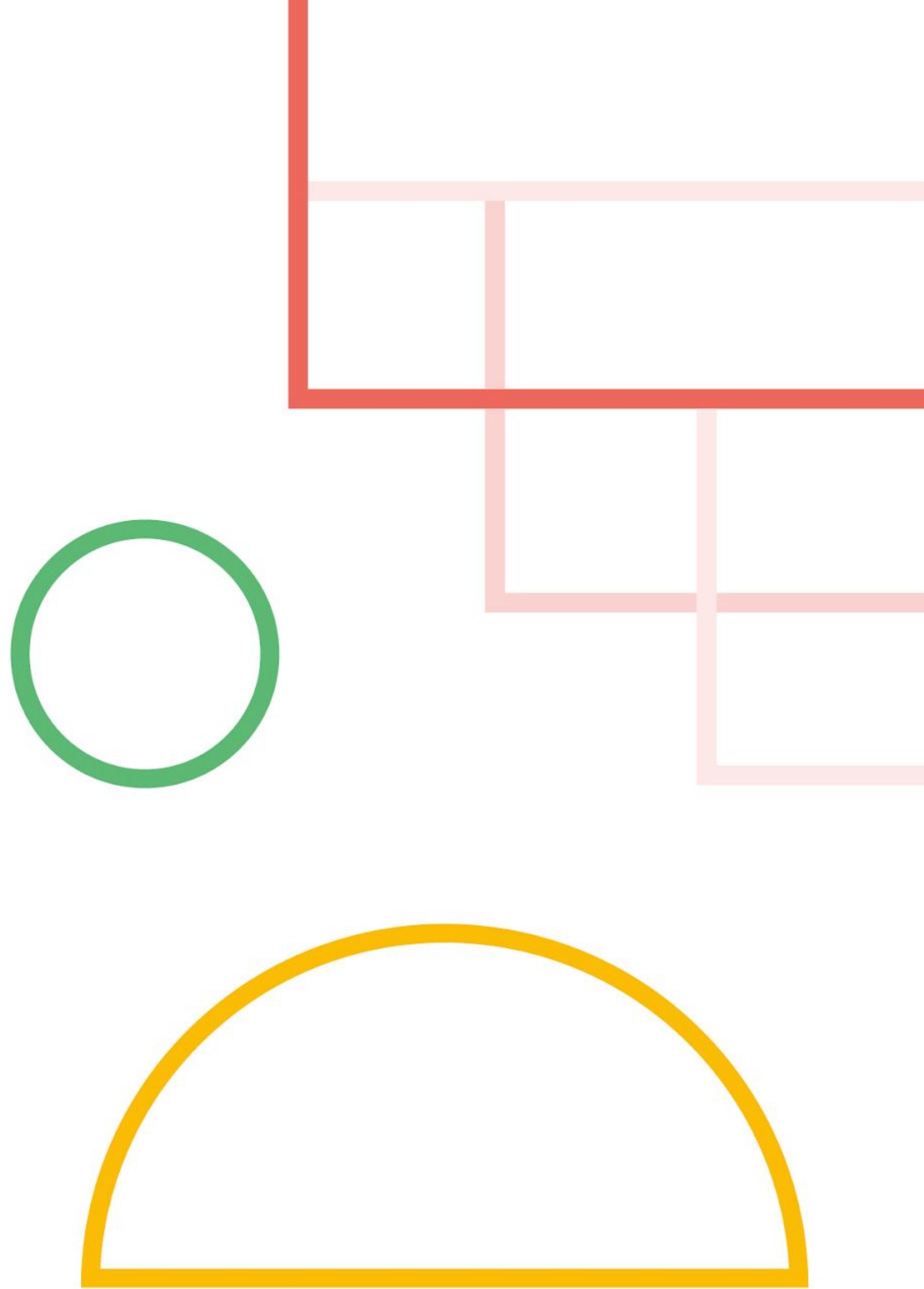


Task- and Data-Aware Pipelines

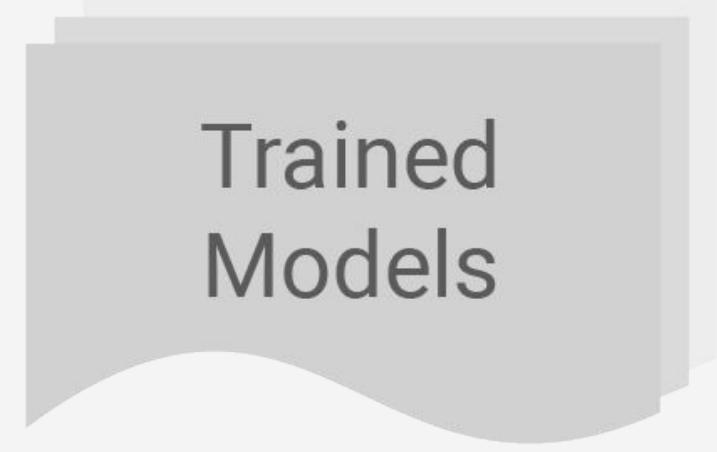
Metadata Store

TFX: Metadata Store

What does it contain?



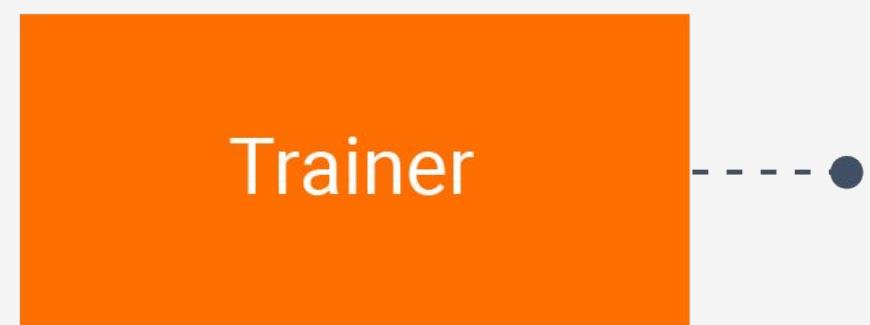
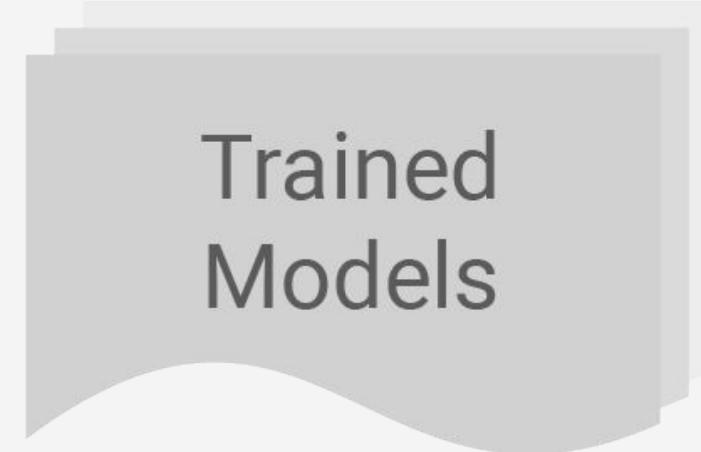
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Trained
Models

Type definitions of Artifacts and their Properties

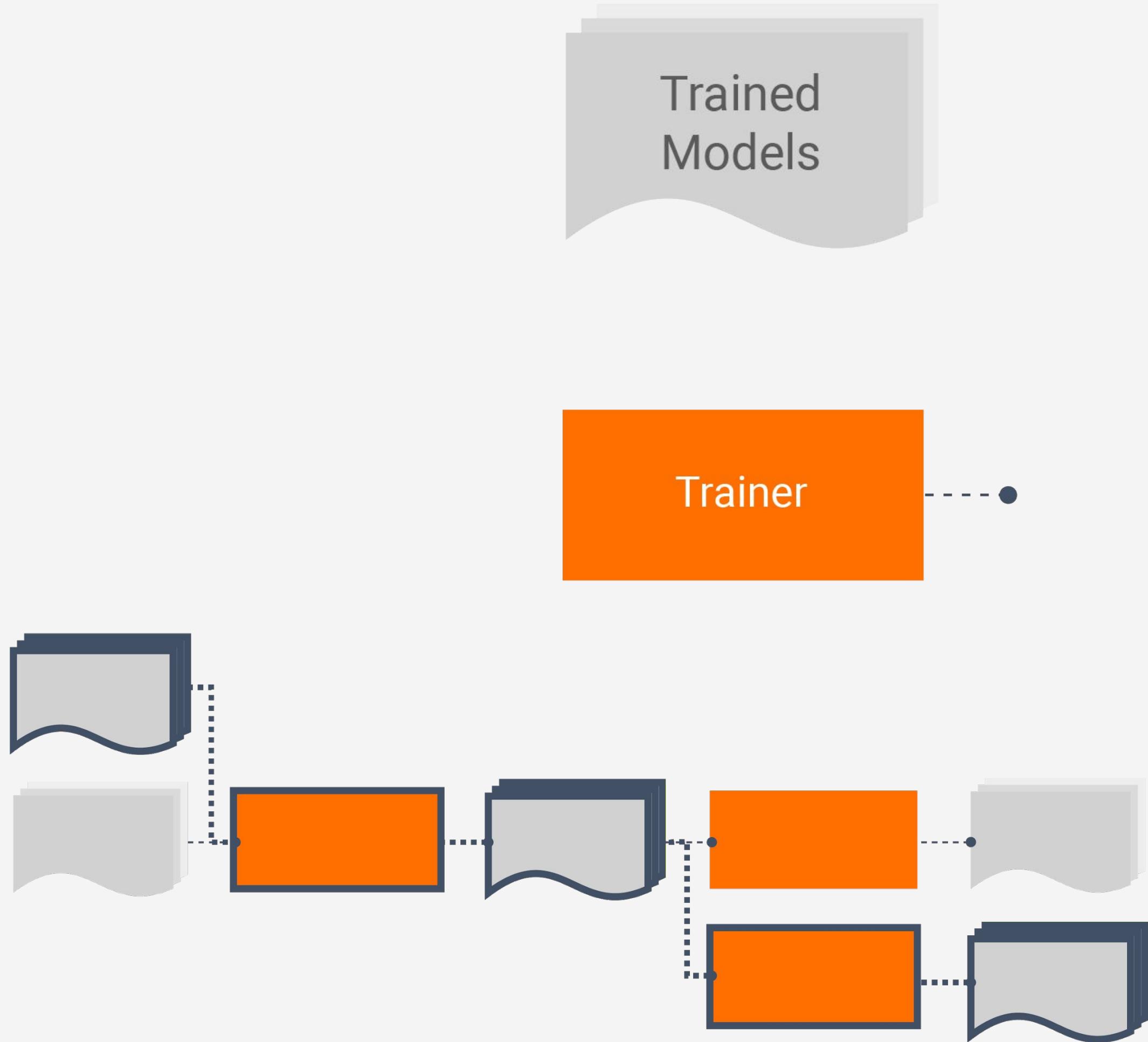
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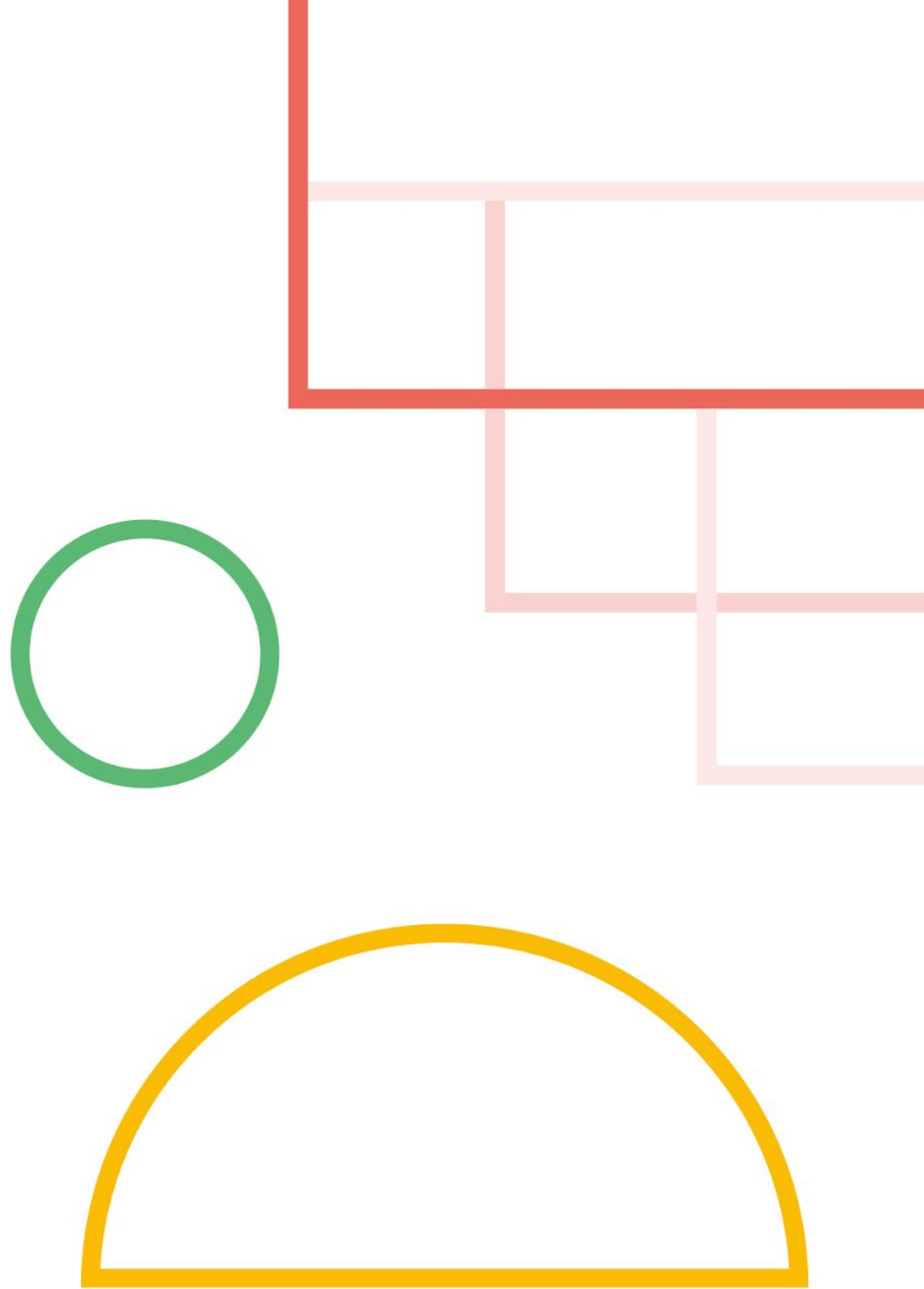


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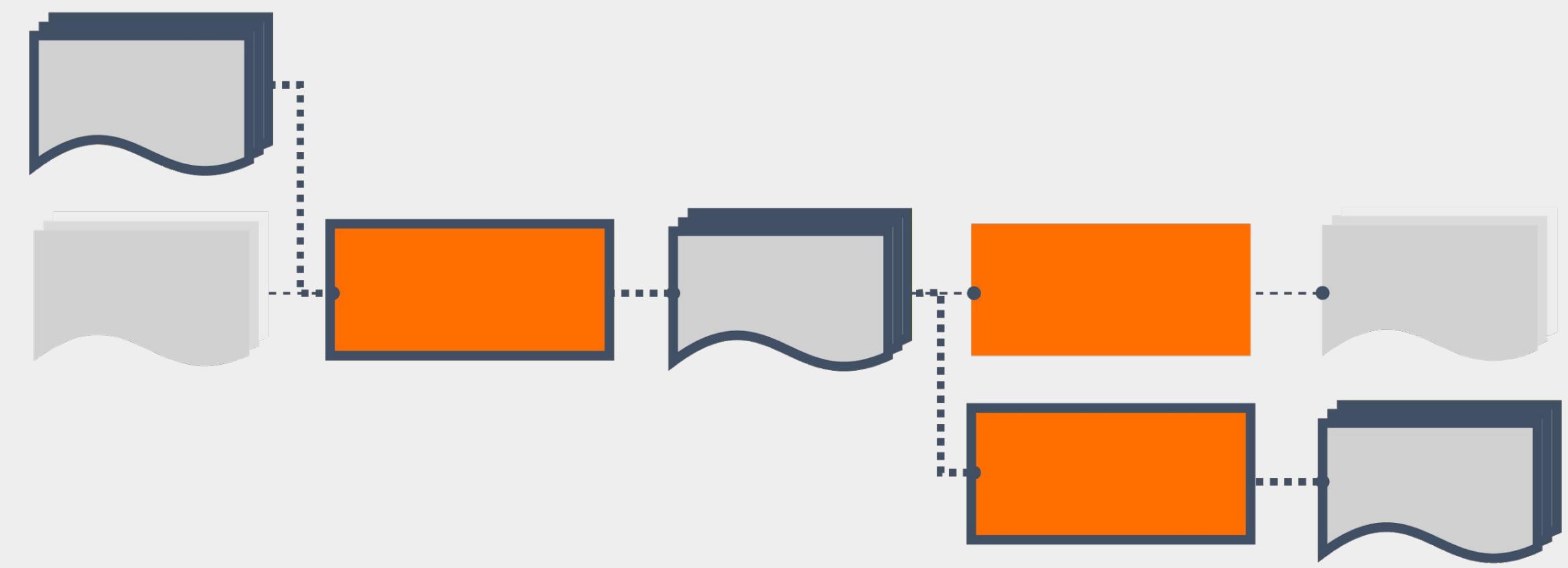
Data Provenance Across All Executions

Metadata-Powered Functionality



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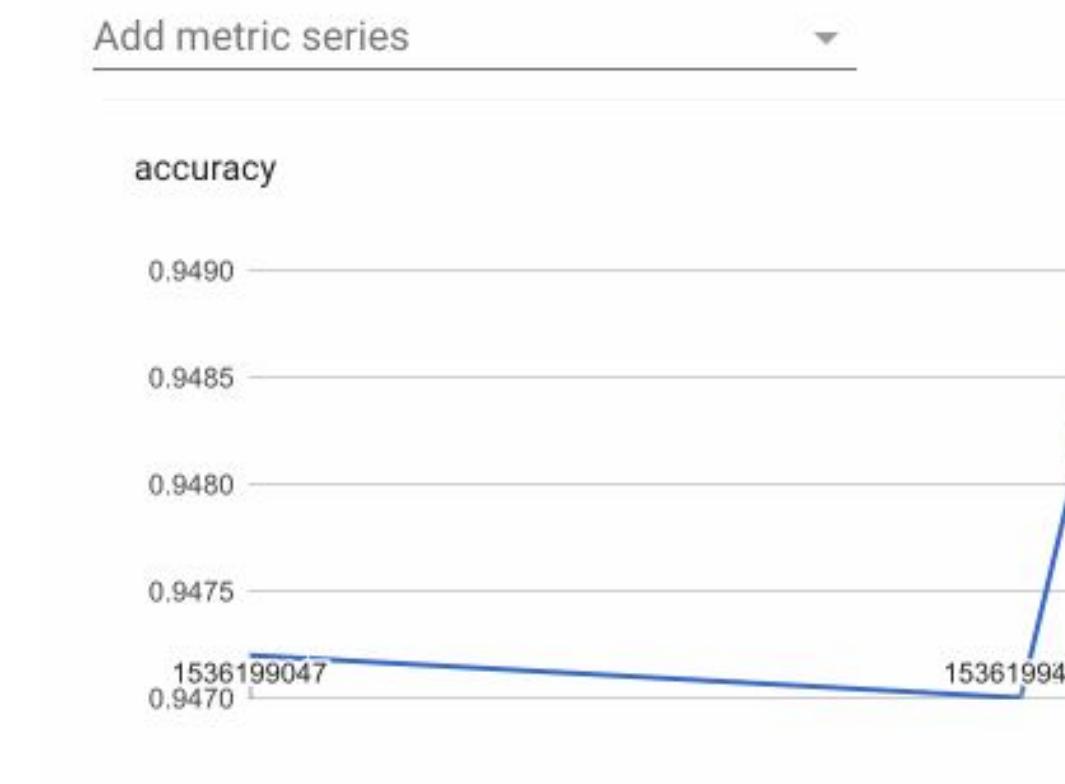
Find out which data a model
was trained on



Metadata-Powered Functionality

Compare previous model runs

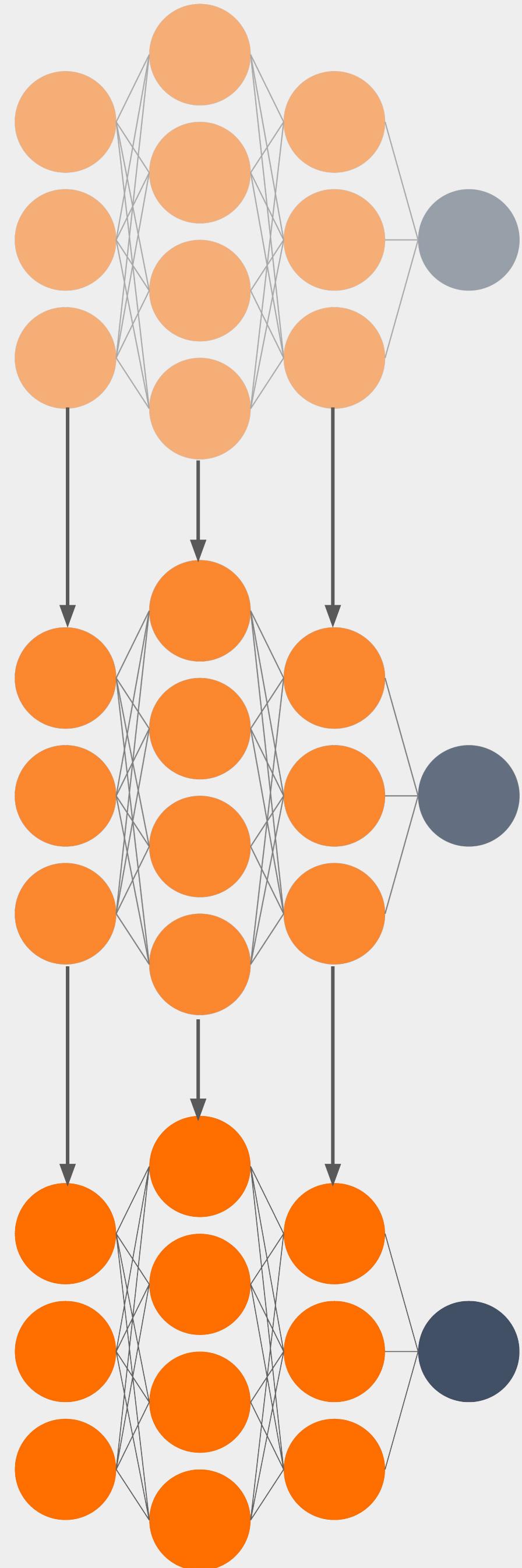
```
eval_results = tfma.make_eval_results([tfma_result_1, tfma_result_2, tfma_result_3],  
                                     tfma.constants.MODEL_CENTRIC_MODE)  
tfma.view.render_time_series(eval_results, OVERALL_SLICE_SPEC)
```



Model	Data	accuracy	accuracy_baseline	auc	auc_precision_recall	average_loss	label/mean	pos
1536199479	data.csv	0.94880	0.94220	0.93168	0.98516	0.13980	0.94220	
1536199433	data.csv	0.94700	0.94220	0.93165	0.98170	0.13979	0.94220	
1536199047	data.csv	0.94720	0.94220	0.92914	0.99480	0.14103	0.94220	

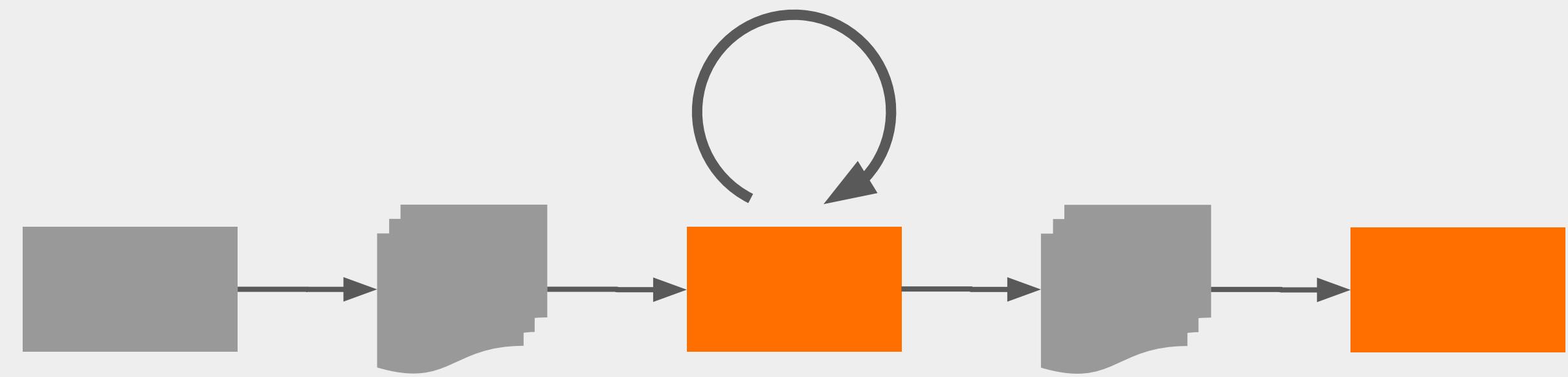
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Carry-over state from previous
model runs

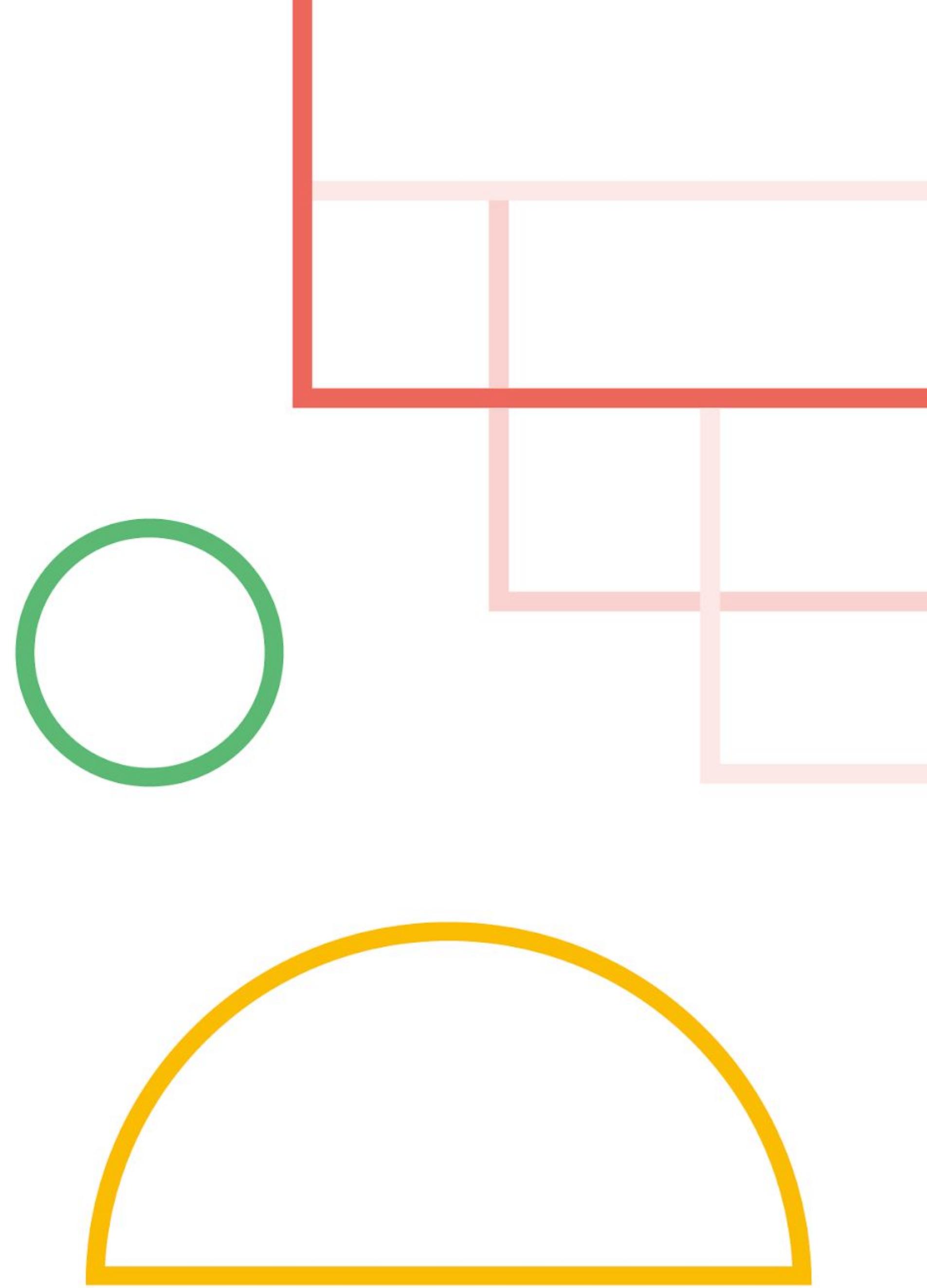


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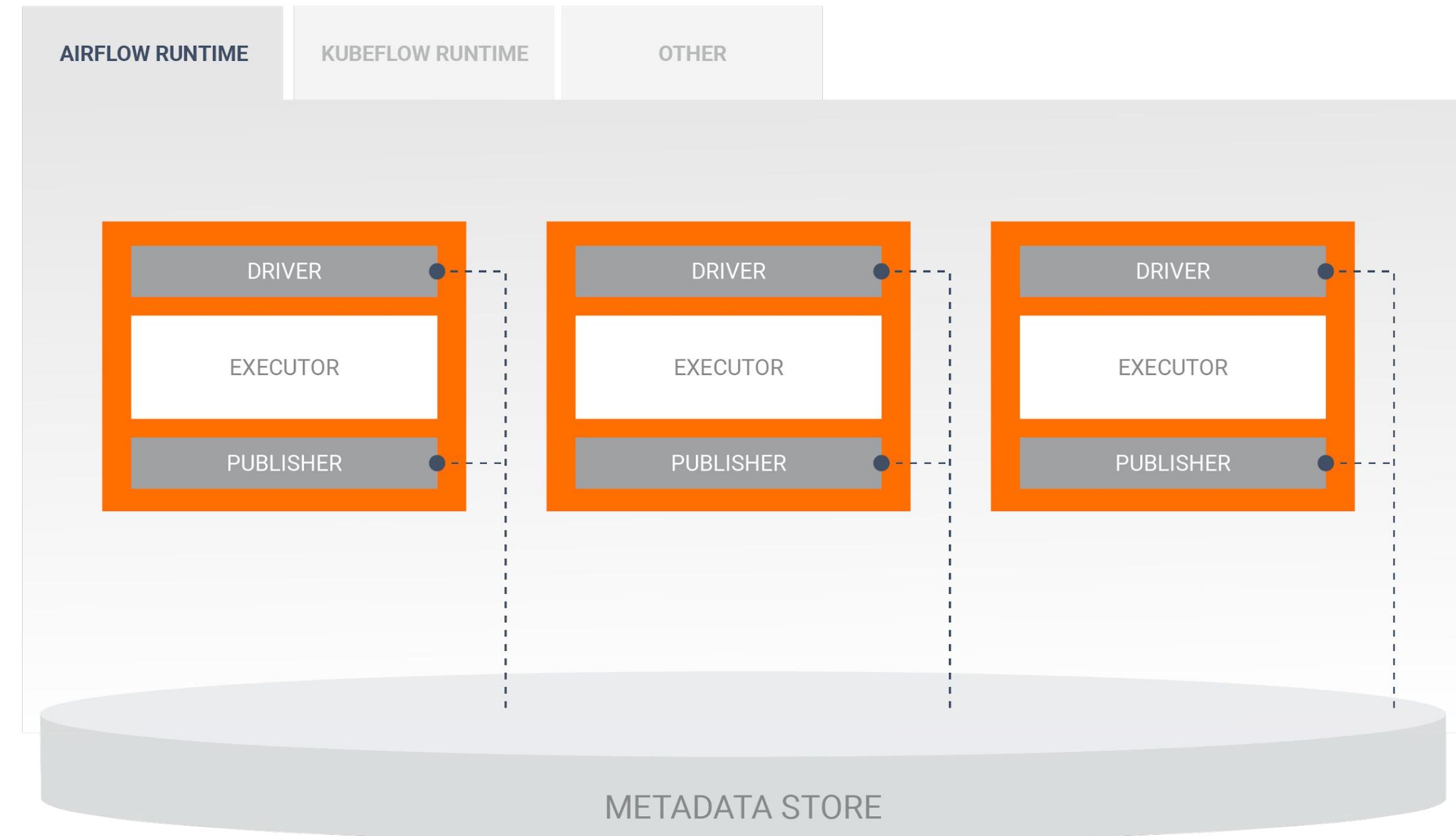
Re-use previously computed outputs



TFX Orchestration



TFX CONFIG

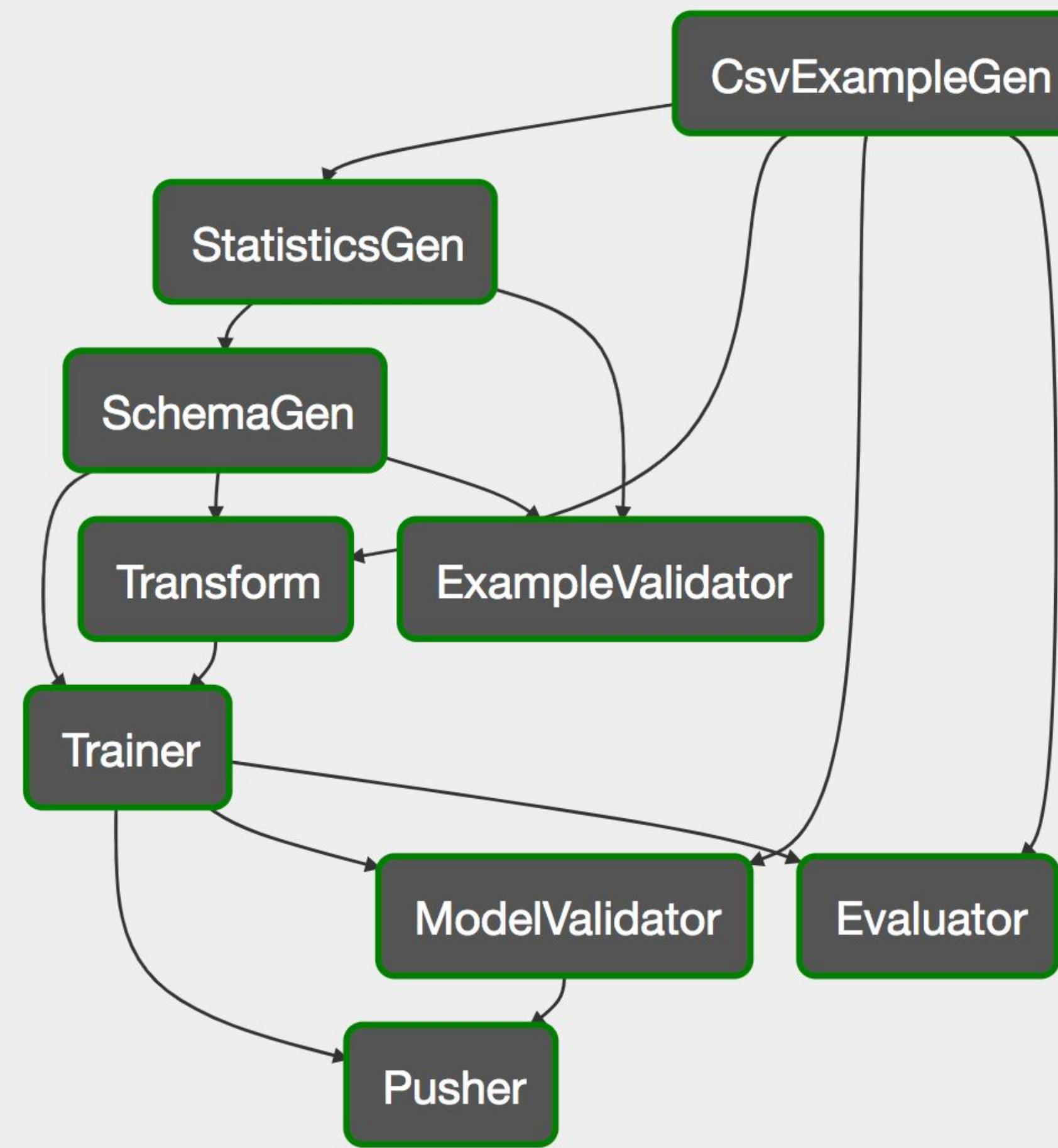


Bring your own Orchestrator

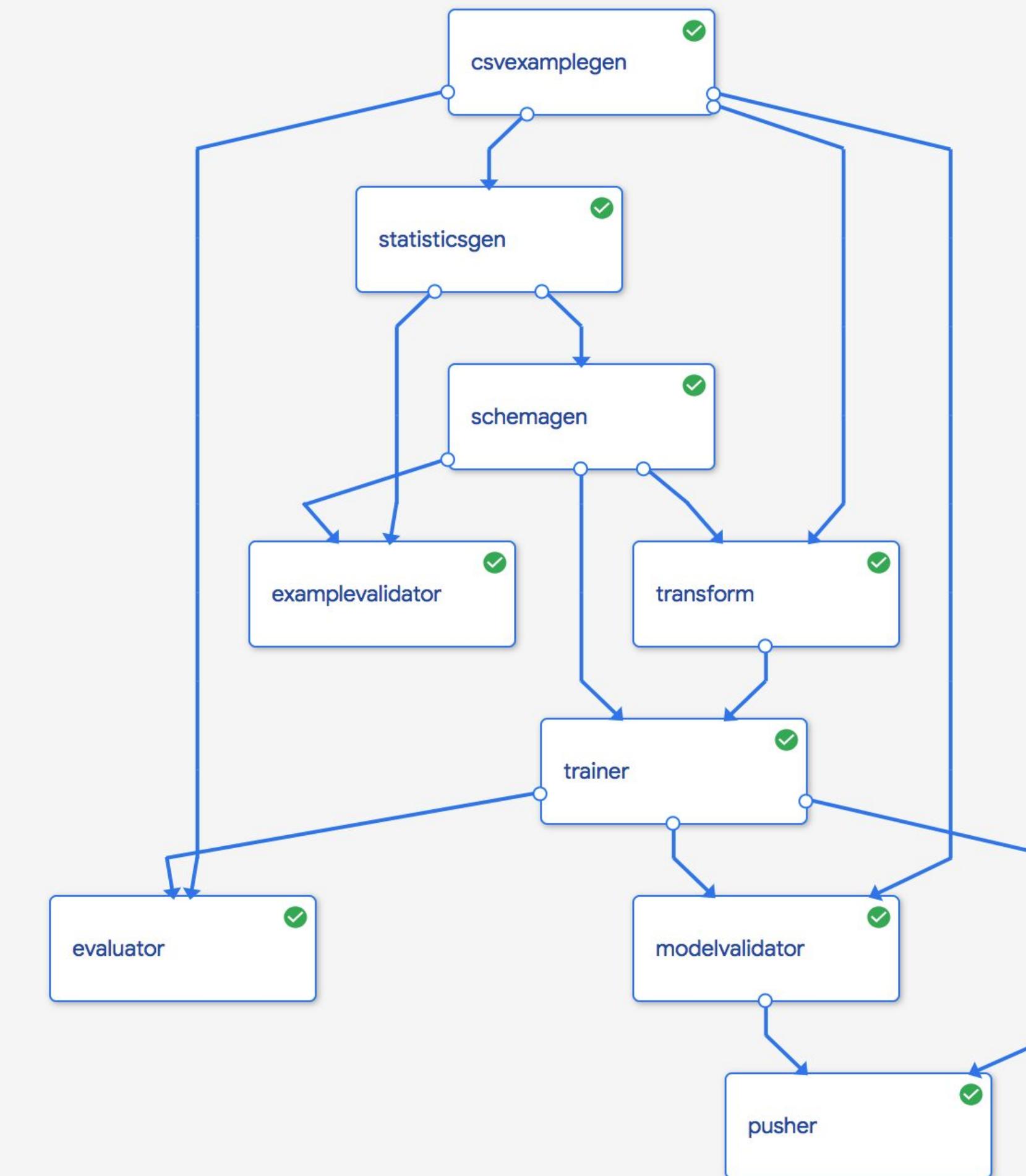
Flexible runtimes run components in the proper order using orchestration systems such as Airflow or Kubeflow

Orchestrators and DAGs

Airflow



Kubeflow Pipelines





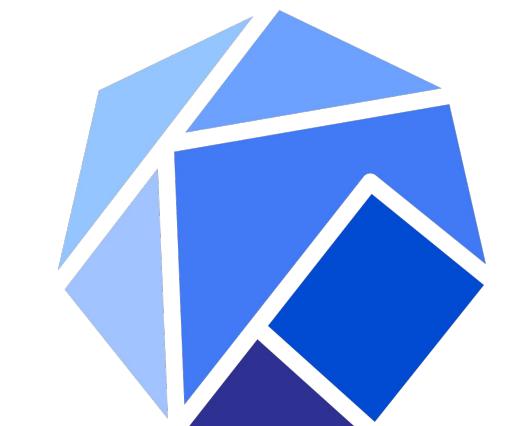
TFX and Kubeflow

TensorFlow Extended (TFX)

- Open-source version of what Google uses internally for Production ML
- Currently supported orchestrators:
 - Kubeflow
 - Apache Airflow
 - Apache Beam
 - We're adding more
 - You can add more

Kubeflow

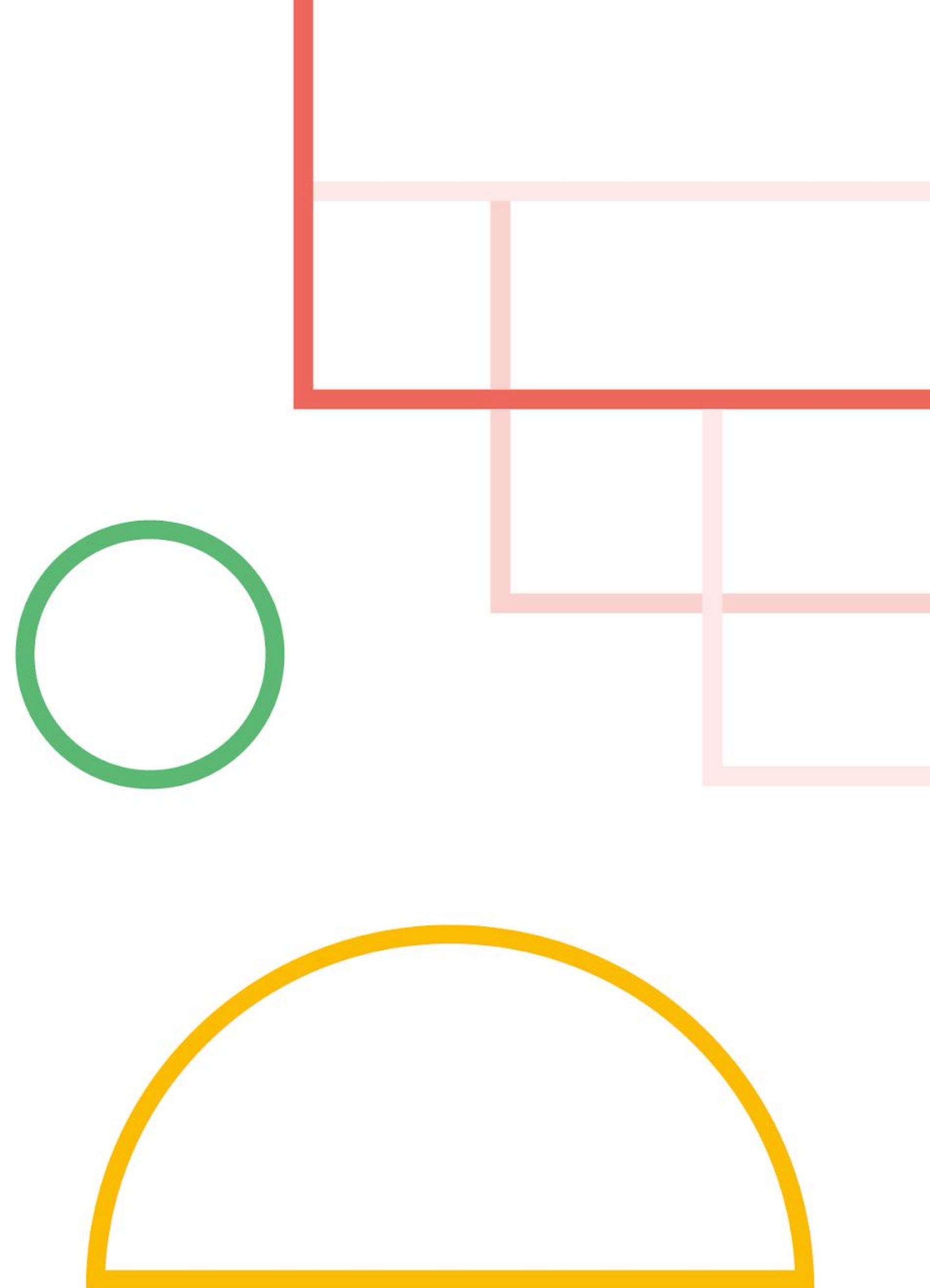
- Open-source Production ML on Kubernetes
- Includes TFX
- Container set
- Management
- Monitoring
- Not just ML



Kubeflow

Distributed Pipeline Processing:

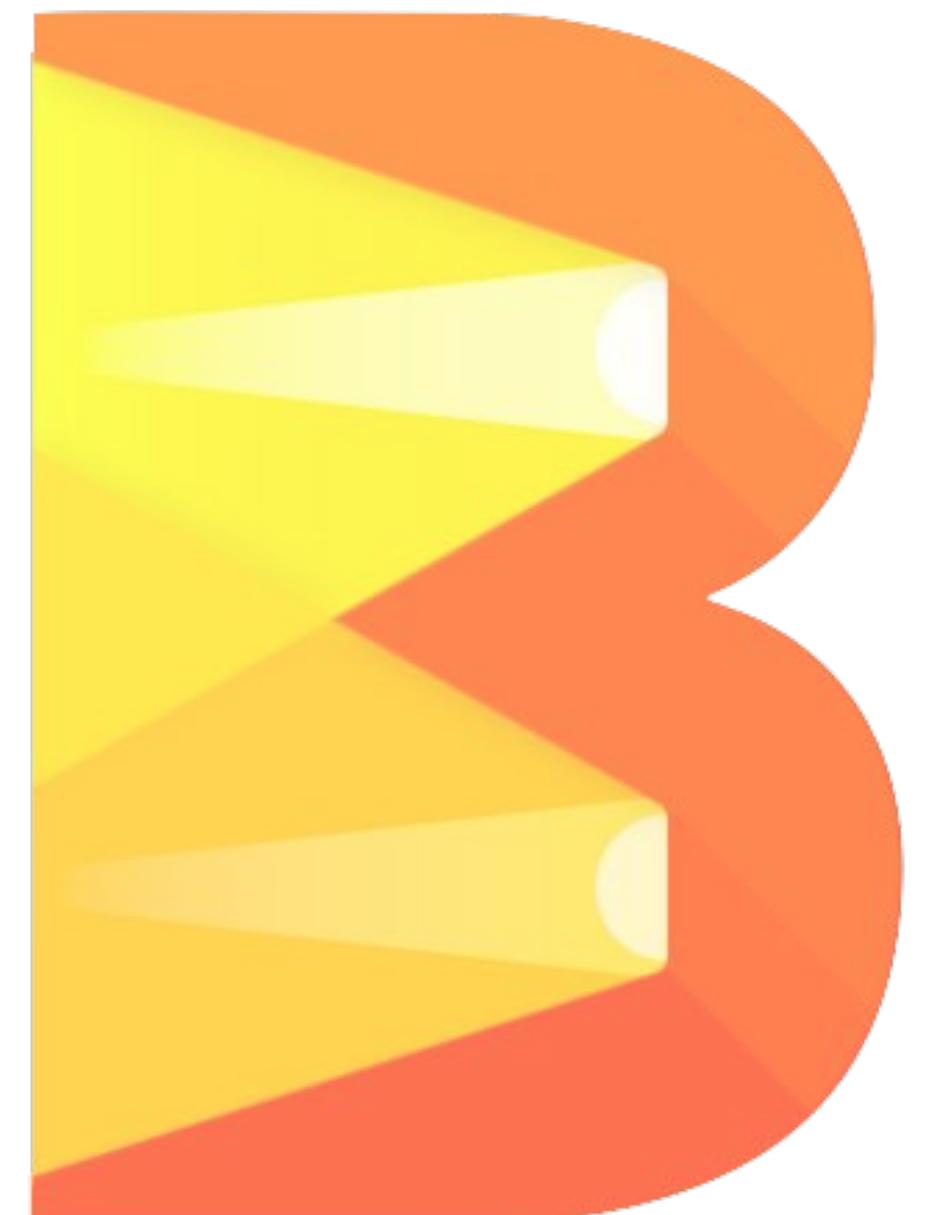
Apache Beam





What is Apache Beam?

- A unified **batch** and stream distributed processing API
- A set of **SDK frontends**: Java, **Python**, Go, Scala, SQL
- A set of **Runners** which can execute Beam jobs into various backends: **Local**, **Apache Flink**, Apache Spark, Apache Gearpump, Apache Samza, Apache Hadoop, **Google Cloud Dataflow**, ...



Apache Beam

Java

```
input.apply(  
    Sum.integersPerKey())
```

Python

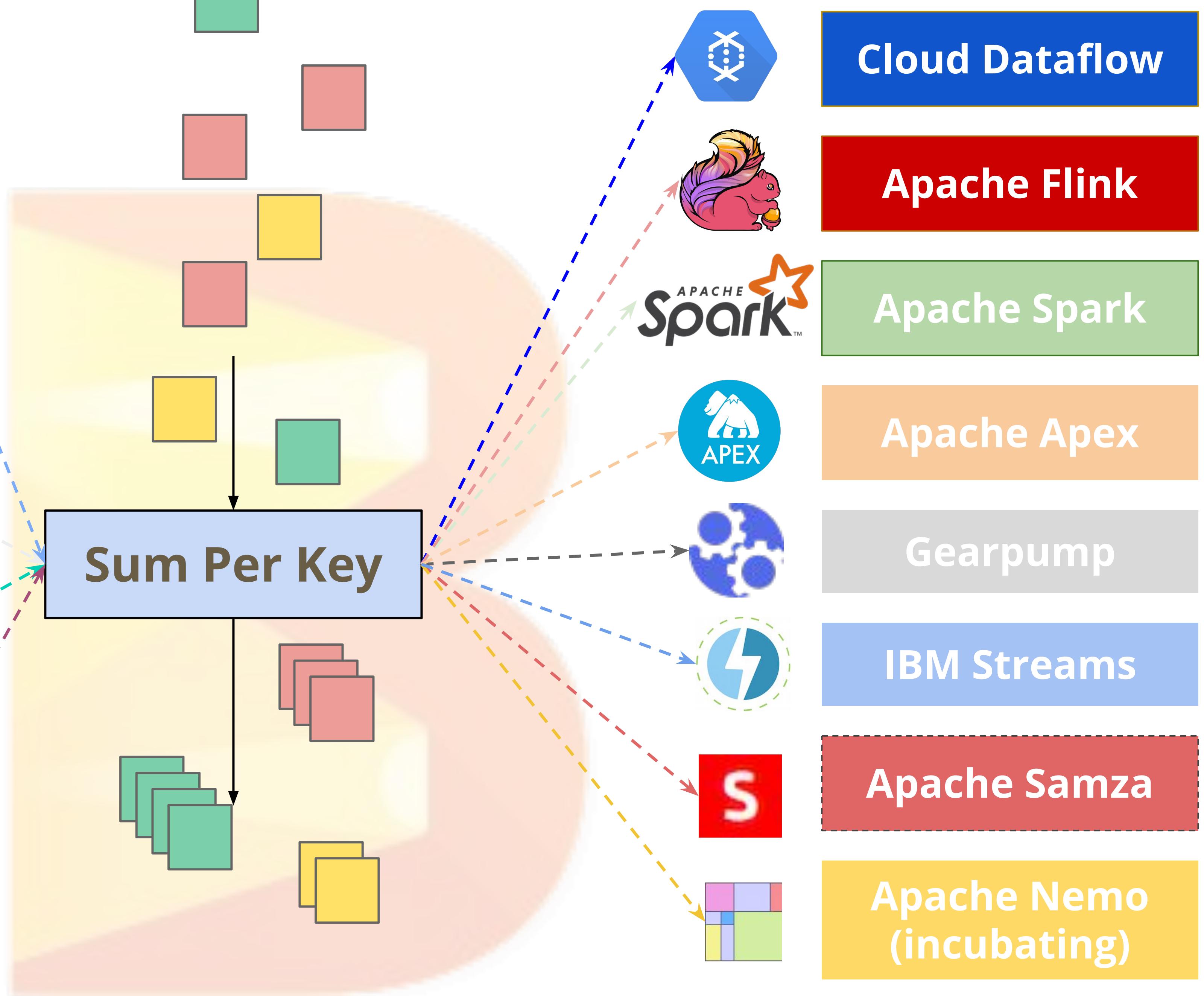
```
input | Sum.PerKey()
```

Go

```
stats.Sum(s, input)
```

SQL

```
SELECT key, SUM(value)  
FROM input GROUP BY key
```



Beam Portability Framework



- Currently most runners support the Java SDK only
- Portability framework aims to provide full interoperability across the Beam ecosystem
- Portability API
 - Protobufs and gRPC for broad language support
 - Job submission and management: The Runner API
 - Job execution: The SDK harness
- Python Flink and Spark runners use Portability Framework

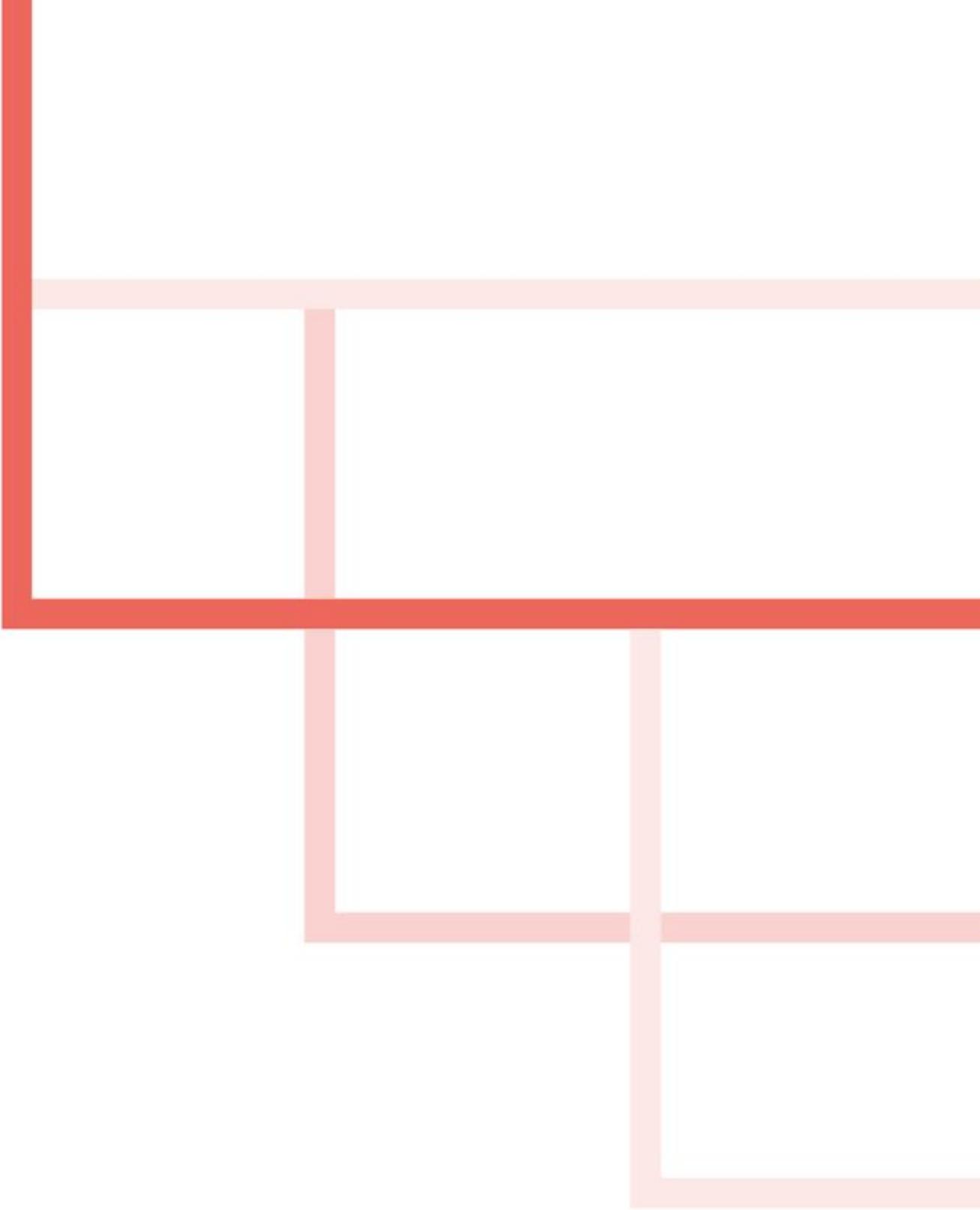
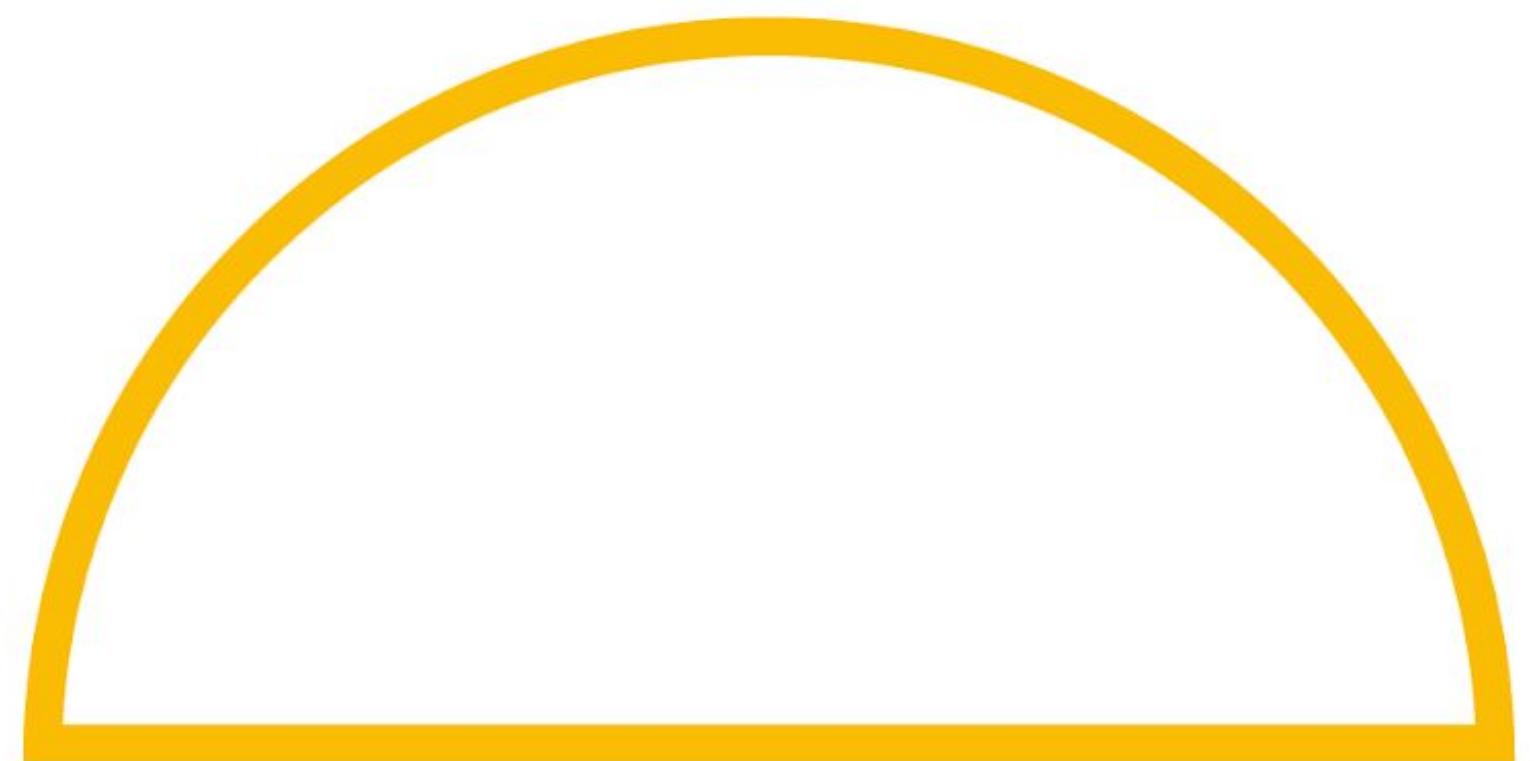
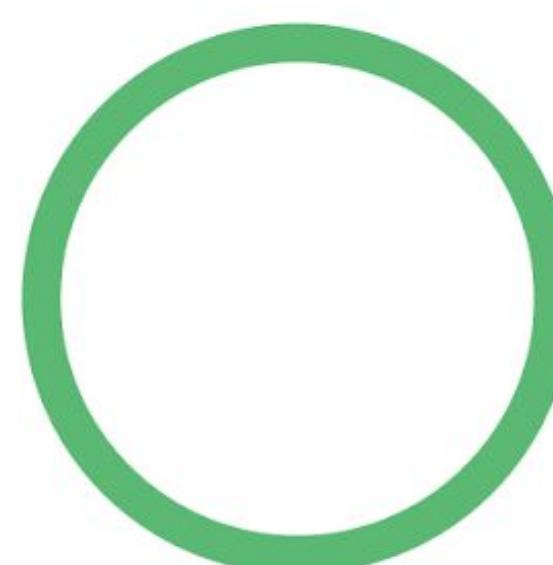
Beam Portability Support Matrix

Apache Beam Portability Support Matrix			https://s.apache.org/apache-beam-portability-support-table				
FEATURE	Flink (master)		Spark (master)		Dataflow		
	Python	Batch	Python	Batch	Streaming	Python	
Impulse							
ParDo							
	<i>w/ side input</i>						
	<i>w/ multiple output</i>						
	<i>w/ user state</i>						BEAM-2902
	<i>w/ user timers</i>						BEAM-2902
	<i>w/ user metrics</i>						
Flatten							
	<i>w/ explicit flatten</i>						
Combine							
	<i>w/ first-class rep</i>						
	<i>w/ lifting</i>						
SDF							
	<i>w/ liquid sharding</i>						
GBK							
CoGBK							
WindowInto							
	<i>w/ sessions</i>						
	<i>w/ custom windowfn</i>						
Legend							
	Works, based on manual verification. Test desirable.						
BEAM-xxx	Partially works. Cell should contain JIRA.						
BEAM-xxx	Does not work. Cell should contain JIRA.						
	No information. To be evaluated.						



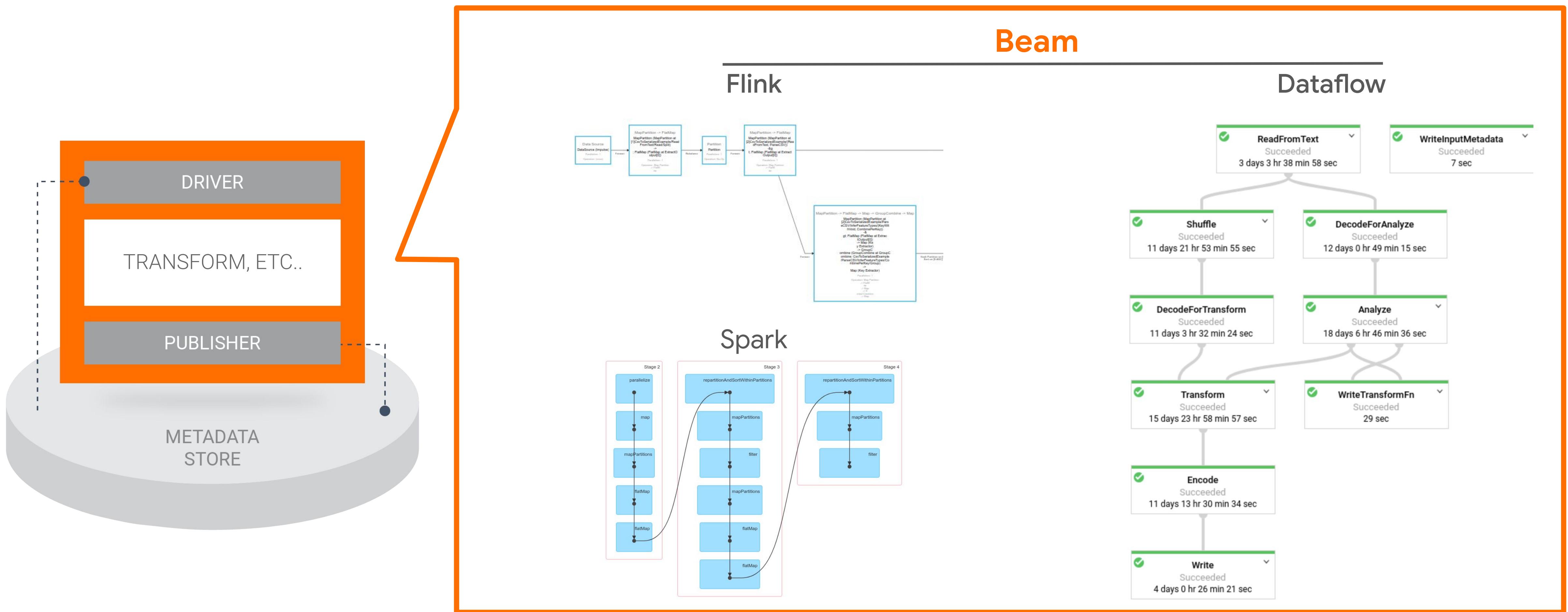
TFX Components:

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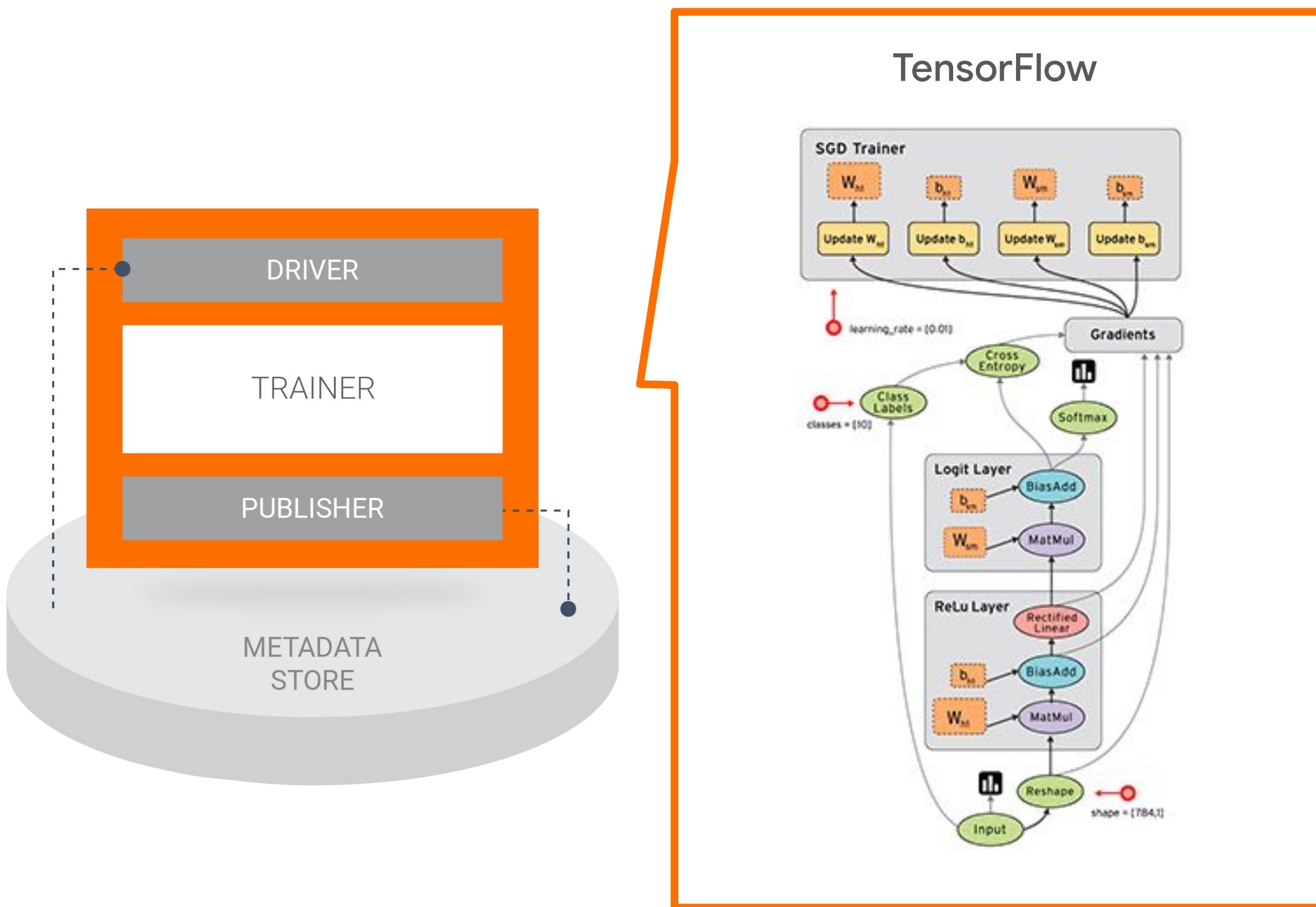


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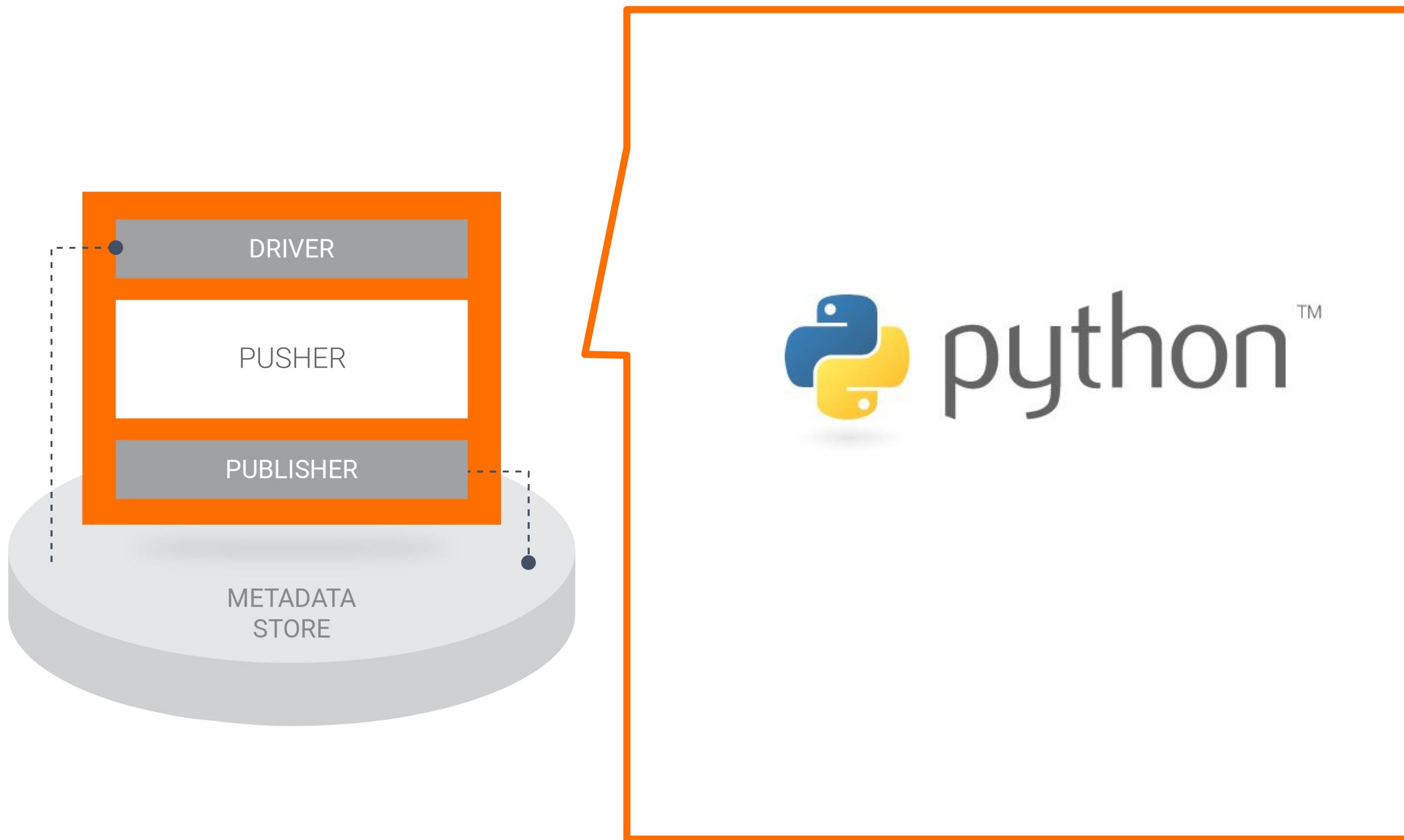




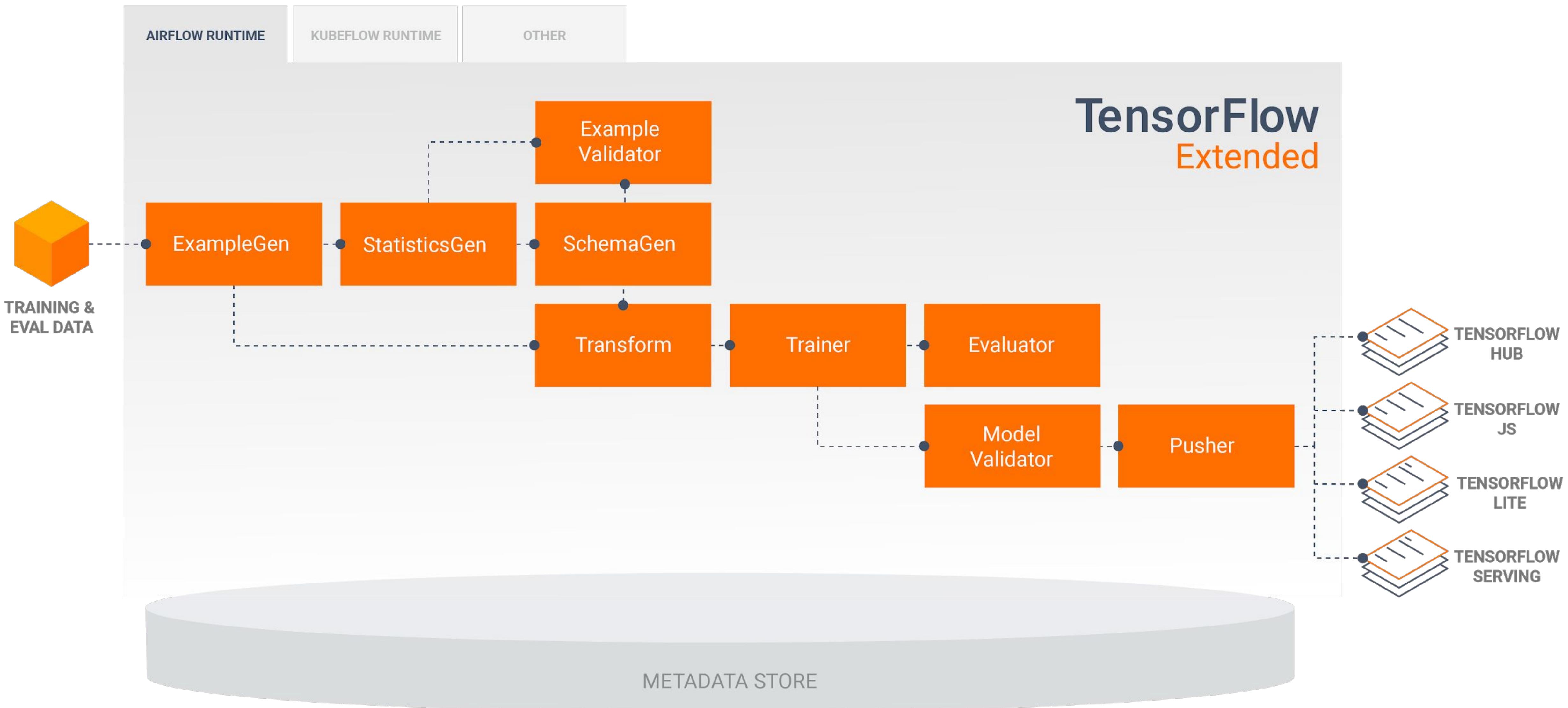
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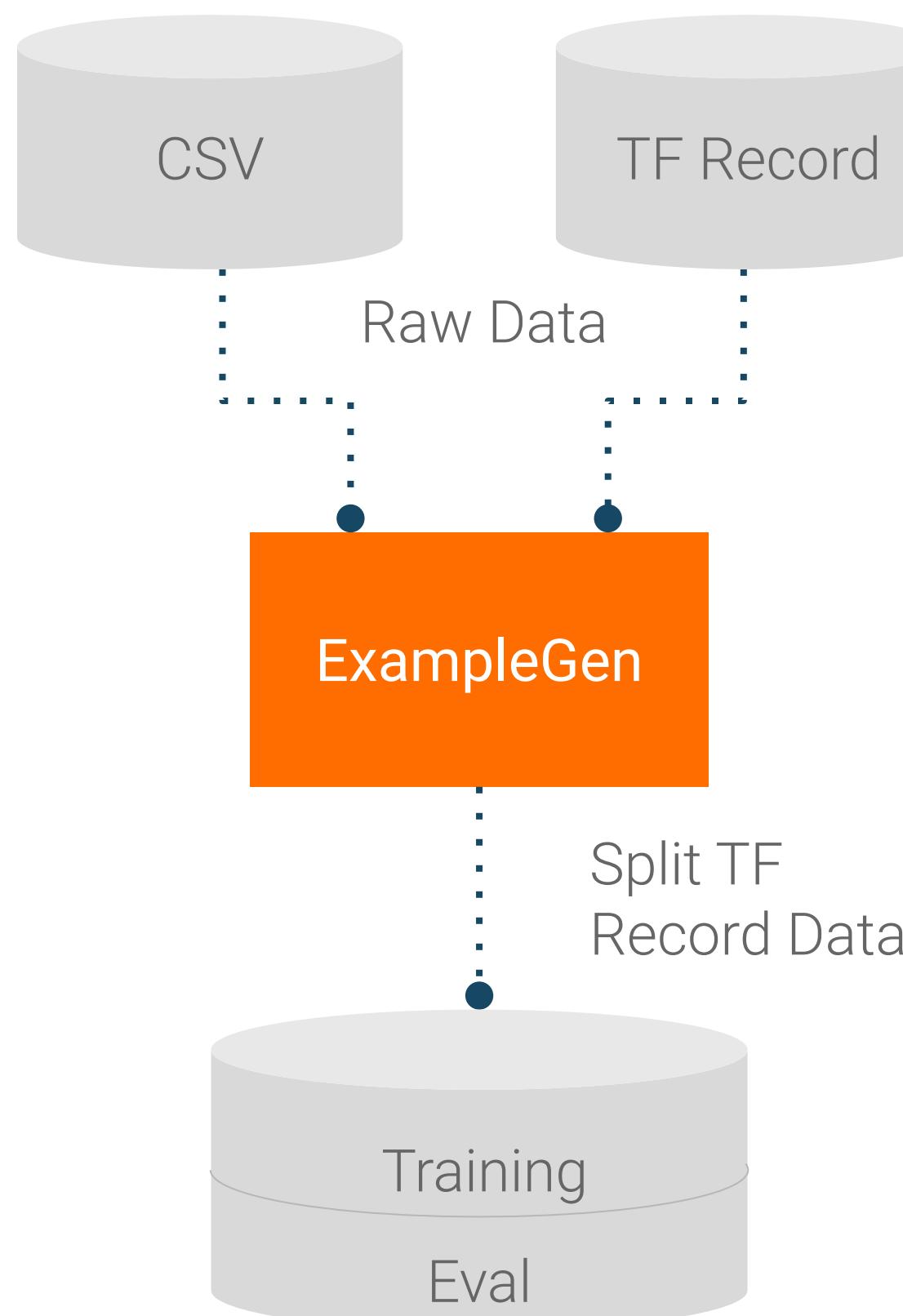
TFX CONFIG





Component: ExampleGen

Inputs and Outputs



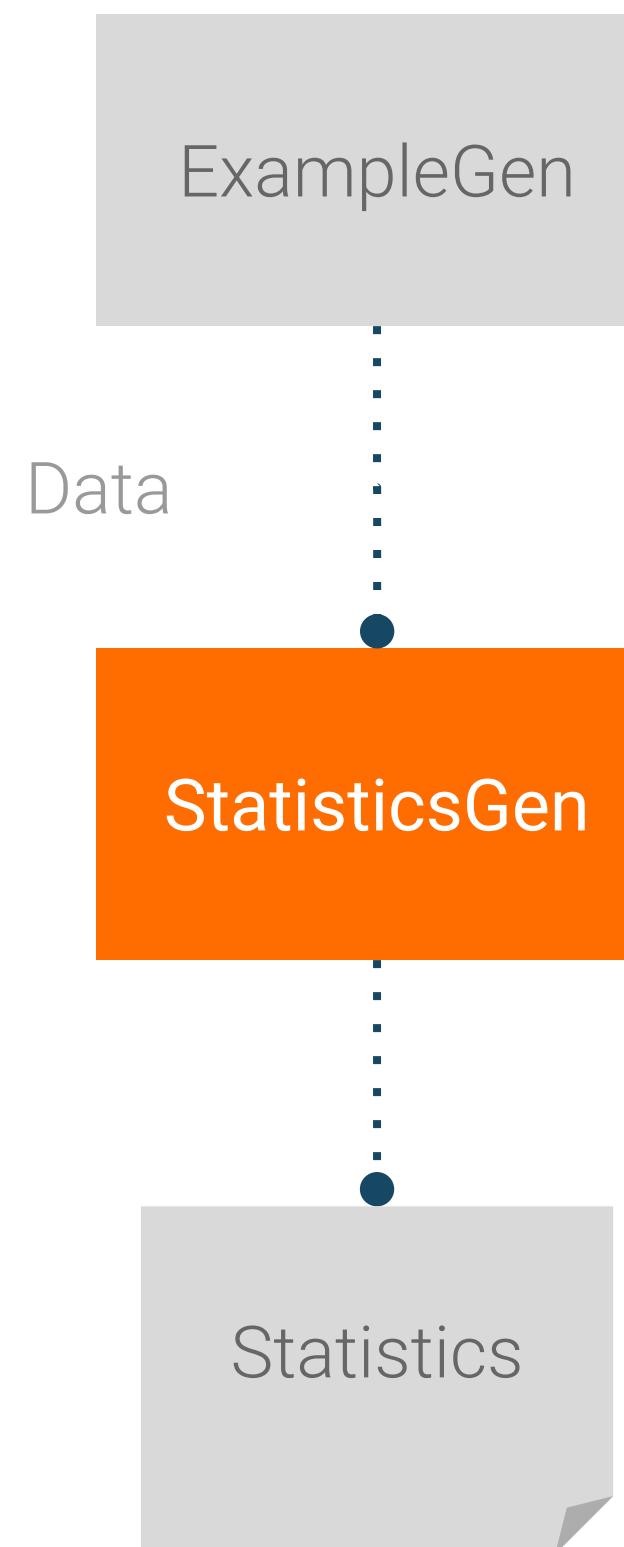
Configuration

```
examples = csv_input(os.path.join(data_root, 'simple'))  
example_gen = CsvExampleGen(input_base=examples)
```



Component: StatisticsGen

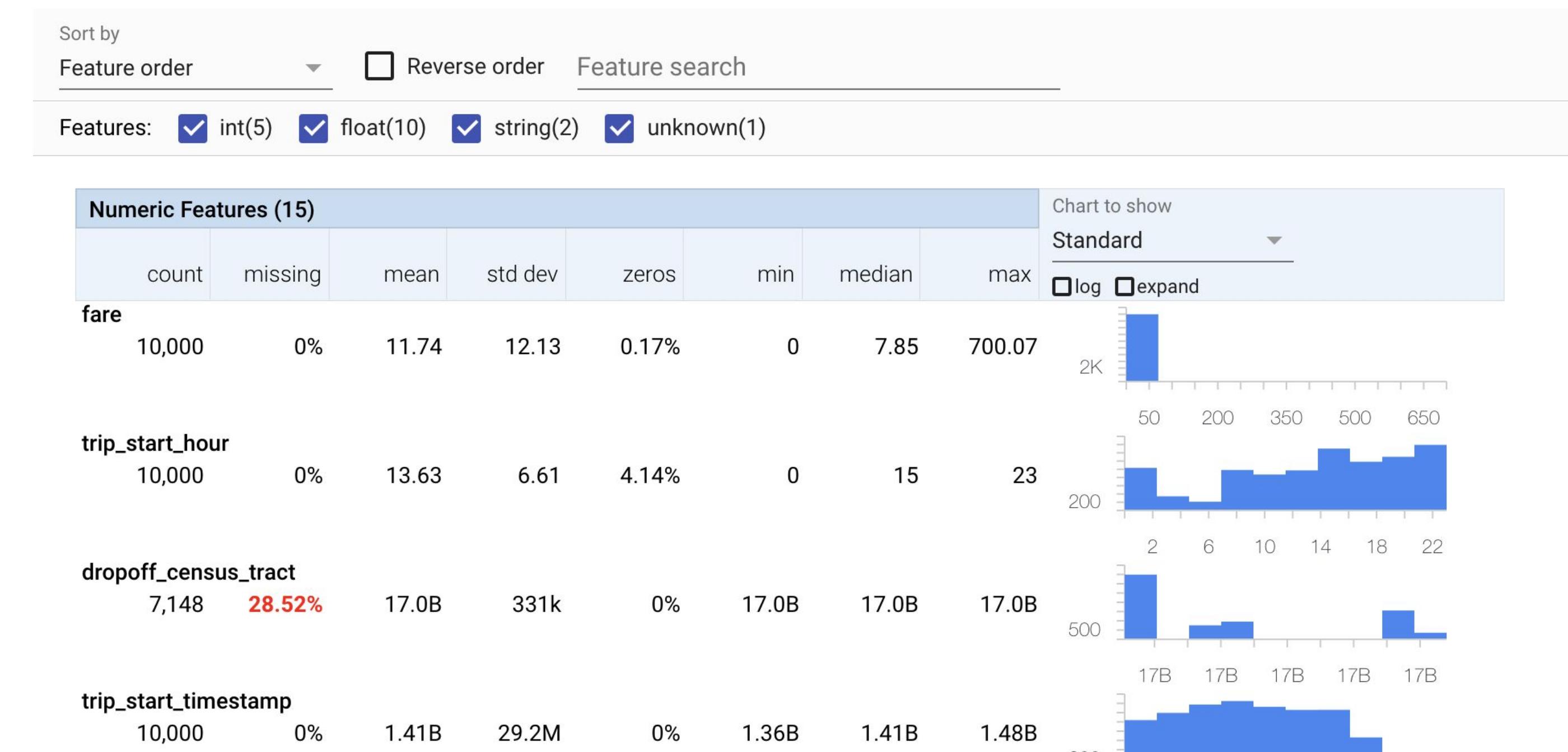
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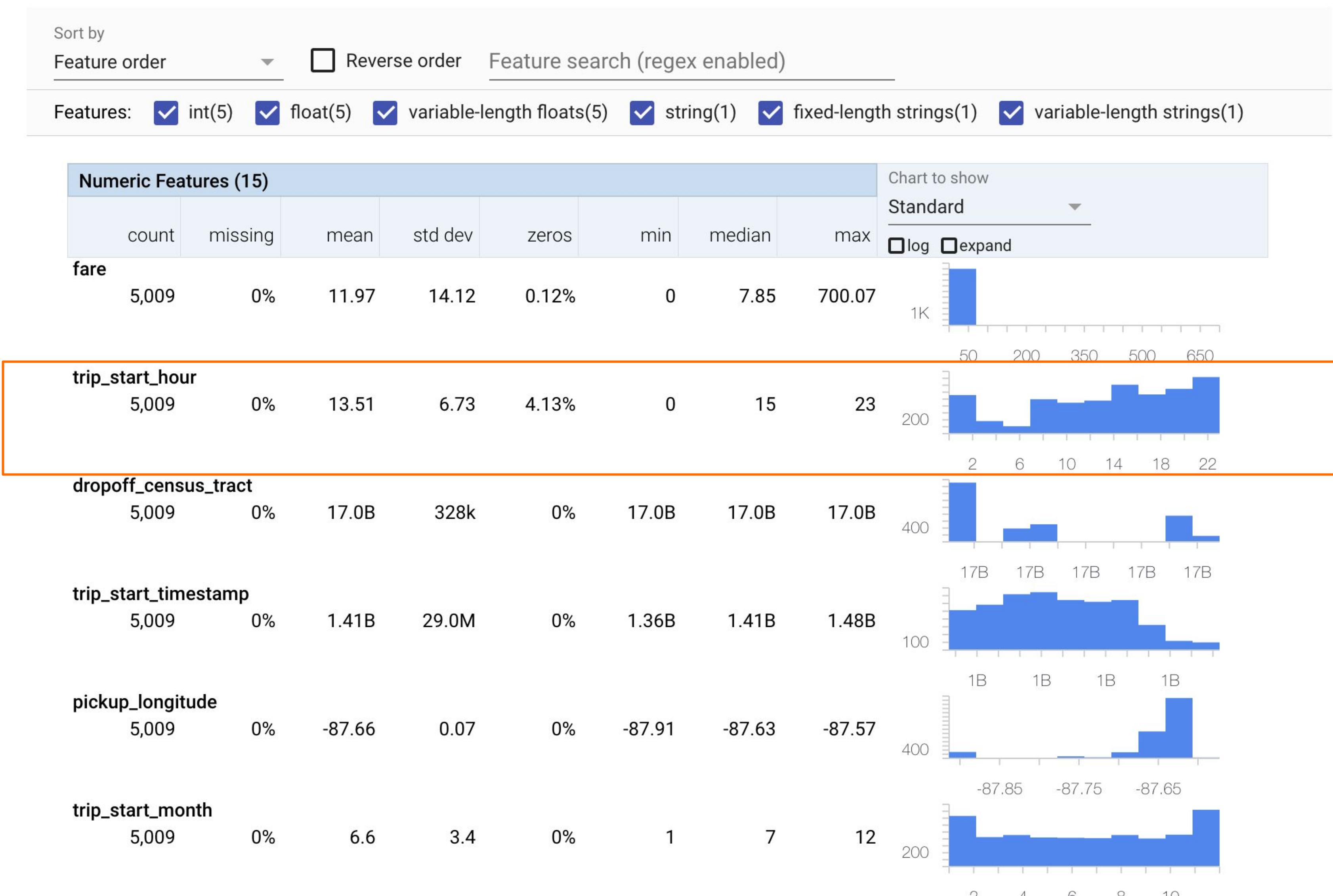
```
statistics_gen =  
    StatisticsGen(input_data=example_gen.outputs.examples)
```

Visualization





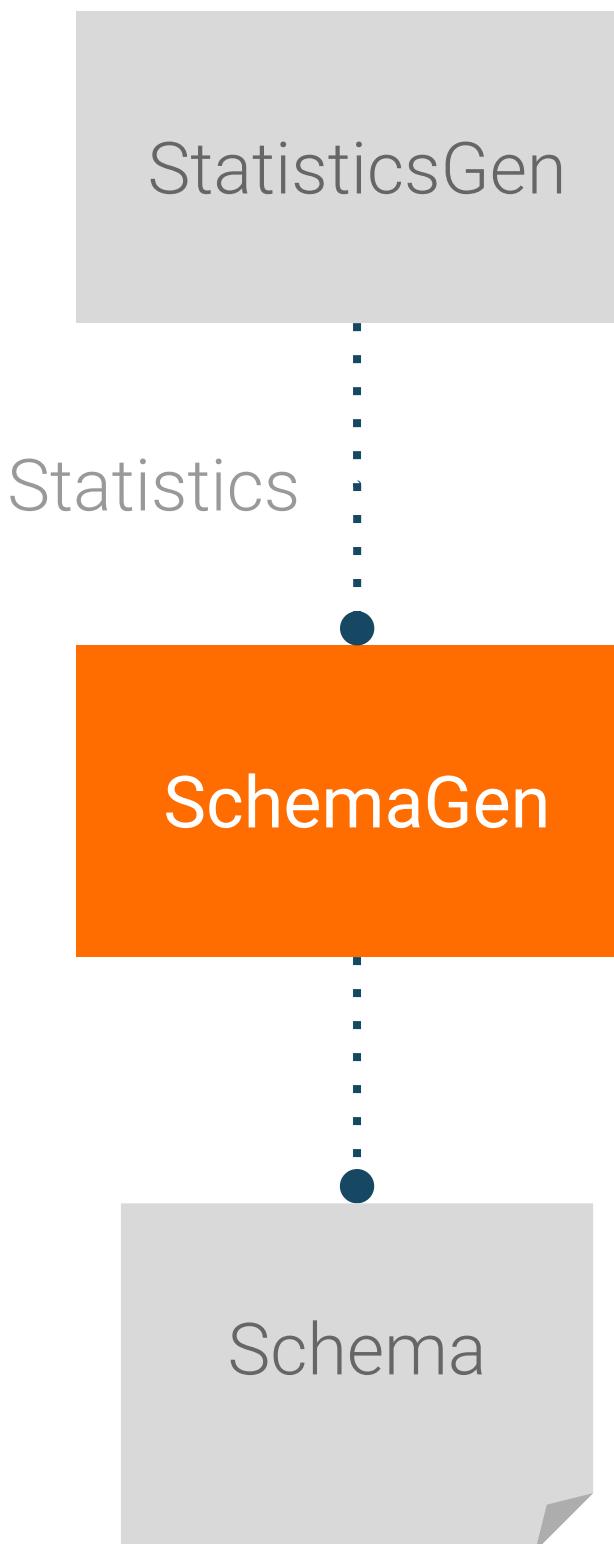
Analyzing Data with TensorFlow Data Validation





Component: SchemaGen

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
infer_schema = SchemaGen(stats=statistics_gen.outputs.output)
```

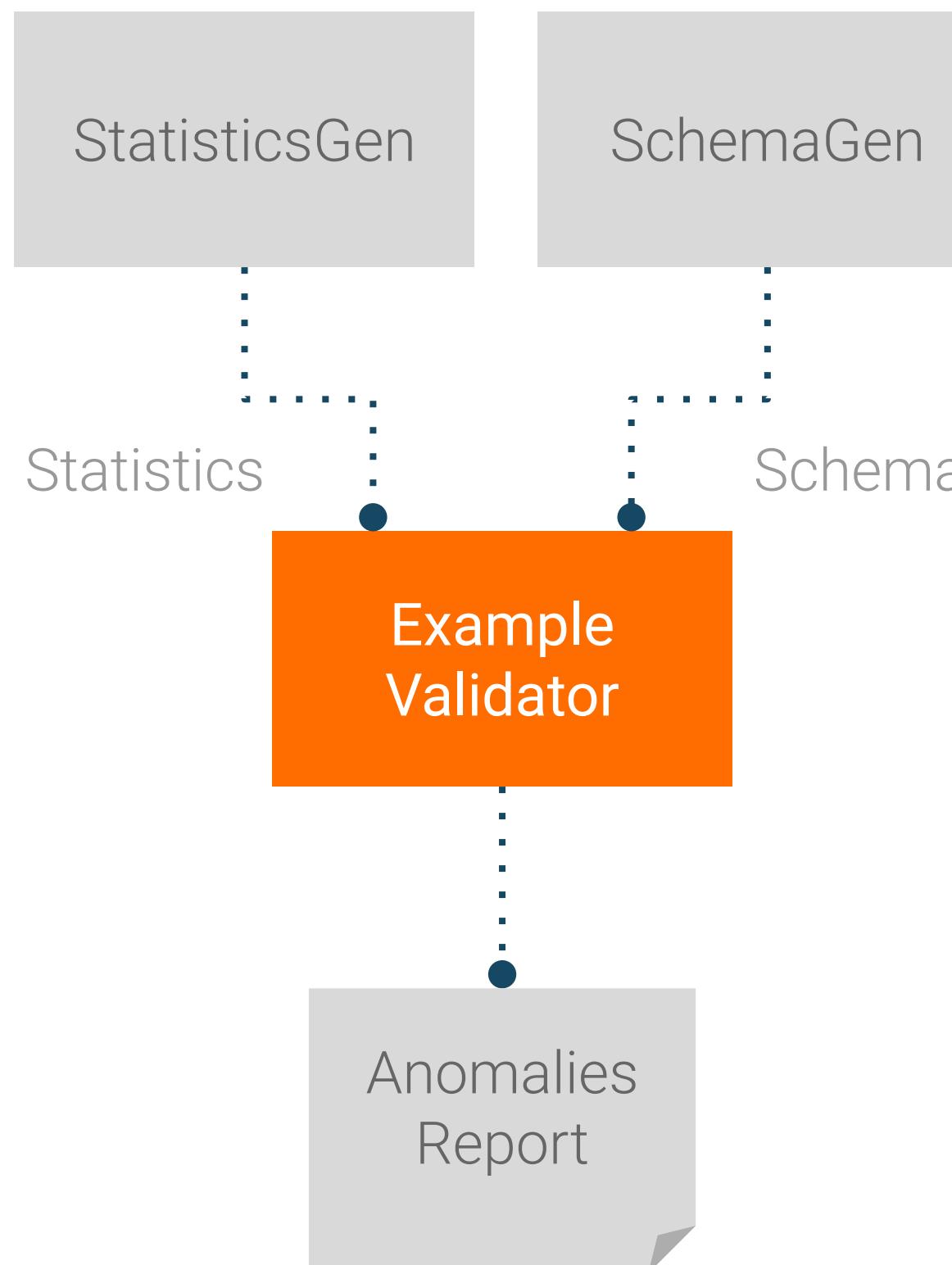
Visualization

Feature name	Type	Presence	Valency	Domain
'fare'	FLOAT	required	single	-
'trip_start_hour'	INT	required	single	-
'pickup_census_tract'	BYTES	optional	-	-
'dropoff_census_tract'	FLOAT	optional	single	-
'company'	STRING	optional	single	'company'



Component: ExampleValidator

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
validate_stats = ExampleValidator(  
    stats=statistics_gen.outputs.output,  
    schema=infer_schema.outputs.output)
```

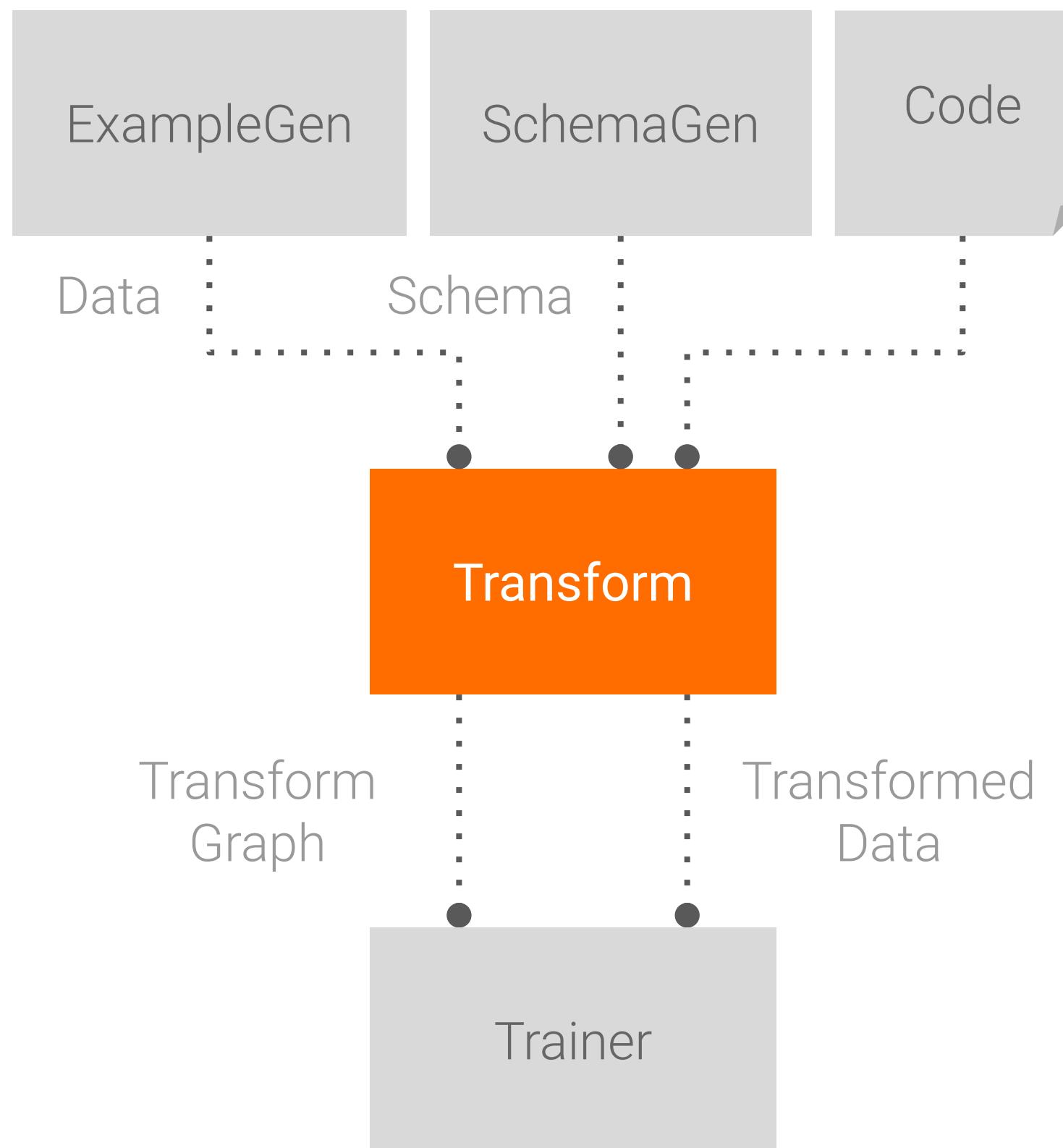
Visualization

Feature name	Anomaly short description	Anomaly long description
'payment_type'	Unexpected string values	Examples contain values missing from the schema: Prcard (<1%).
'company'	Unexpected string values	Examples contain values missing from the schema: 2092 - 61288 Sbeih company (<1%), 2192 - 73487 Zeymane Corp (<1%), 2192 - Zeymane Corp (<1%), 2823 - 73307 Seung Lee (<1%), 3094 - 24059 G.L.B. Cab Co (<1%), 3319 - CD Cab Co (<1%), 3385 - Eman Cab (<1%), 3897 - 57856 Ilie Malec (<1%), 4053 - 40193 Adwar H. Nikola (<1%), 4197 - Royal Star (<1%), 585 - 88805 Valley Cab Co (<1%), 5874 - Sergey Cab Corp. (<1%), 6057 - 24657 Richard Addo (<1%), 6574 - Babylon Express Inc. (<1%), 6742 - 83735 Tasha ride inc (<1%).



Component: Transform

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
transform = Transform(  
    input_data=example_gen.outputs.examples,  
    schema=infer_schema.outputs.output,  
    module_file=taxi_module_file)
```

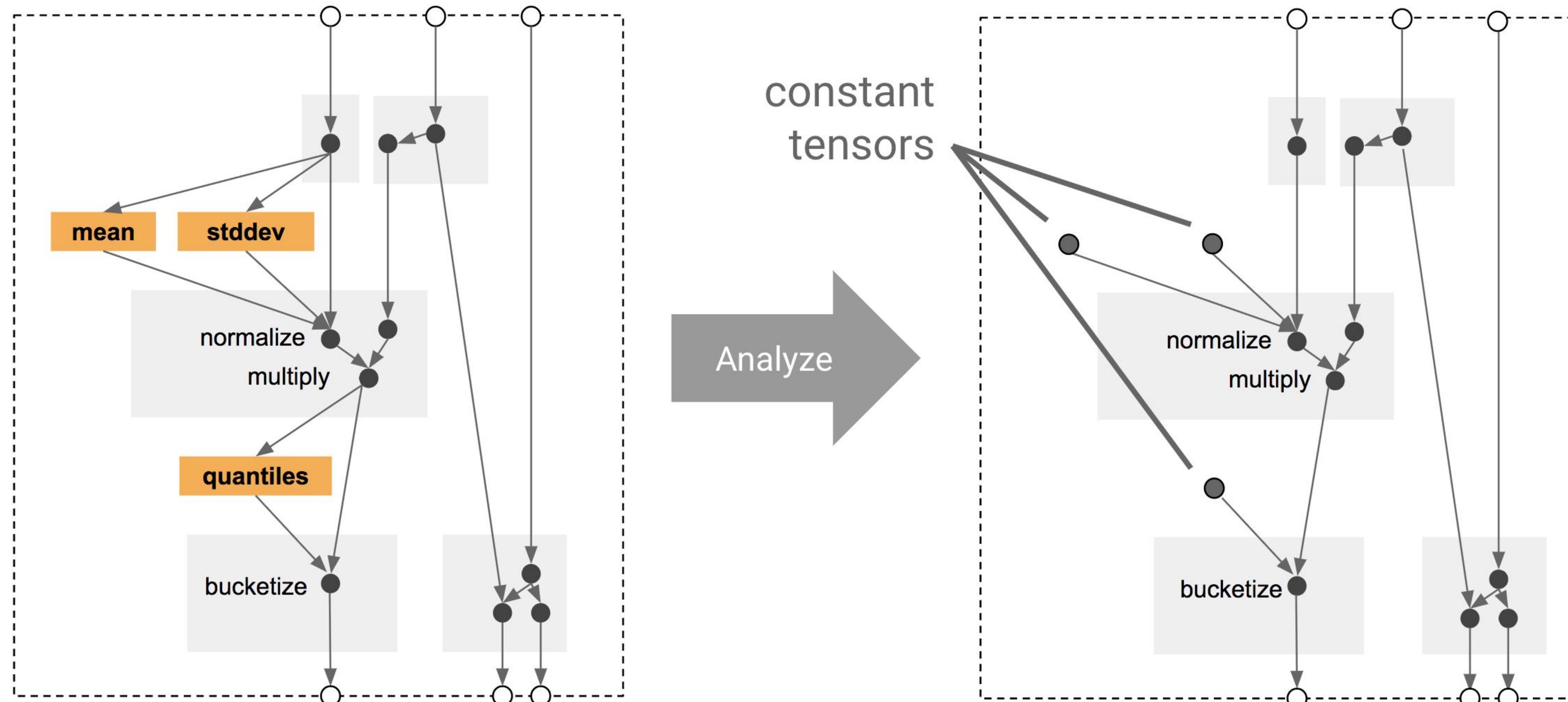
Code

```
for key in _DENSE_FLOAT_FEATURE_KEYS:  
    outputs[_transformed_name(key)] = transform.scale_to_z_score(  
        _fill_in_missing(inputs[key]))  
    # ...  
  
outputs[_transformed_name(_LABEL_KEY)] = tf.where(  
    tf.is_nan(taxi_fare),  
    tf.cast(tf.zeros_like(taxi_fare), tf.int64),  
    # Test if the tip was > 20% of the fare.  
    tf.cast(  
        tf.greater(tips, tf.multiply(taxi_fare, tf.constant(0.2))), tf.int64))  
    # ...
```



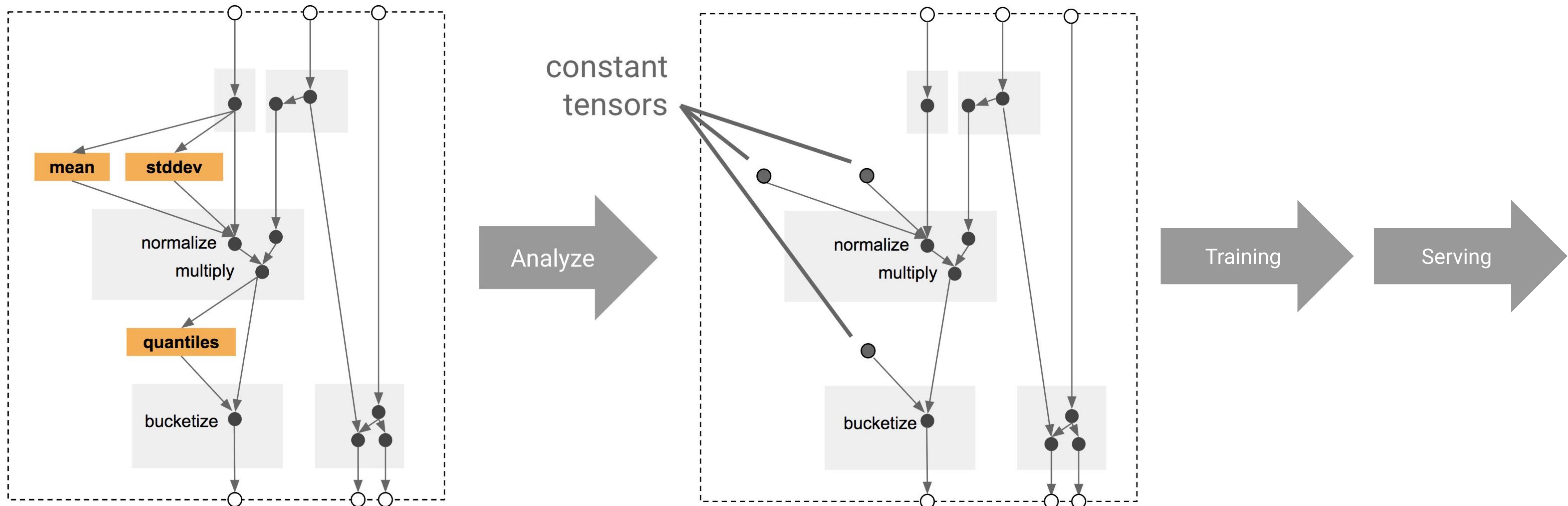


Using TensorFlow Transform for Feature Engineering





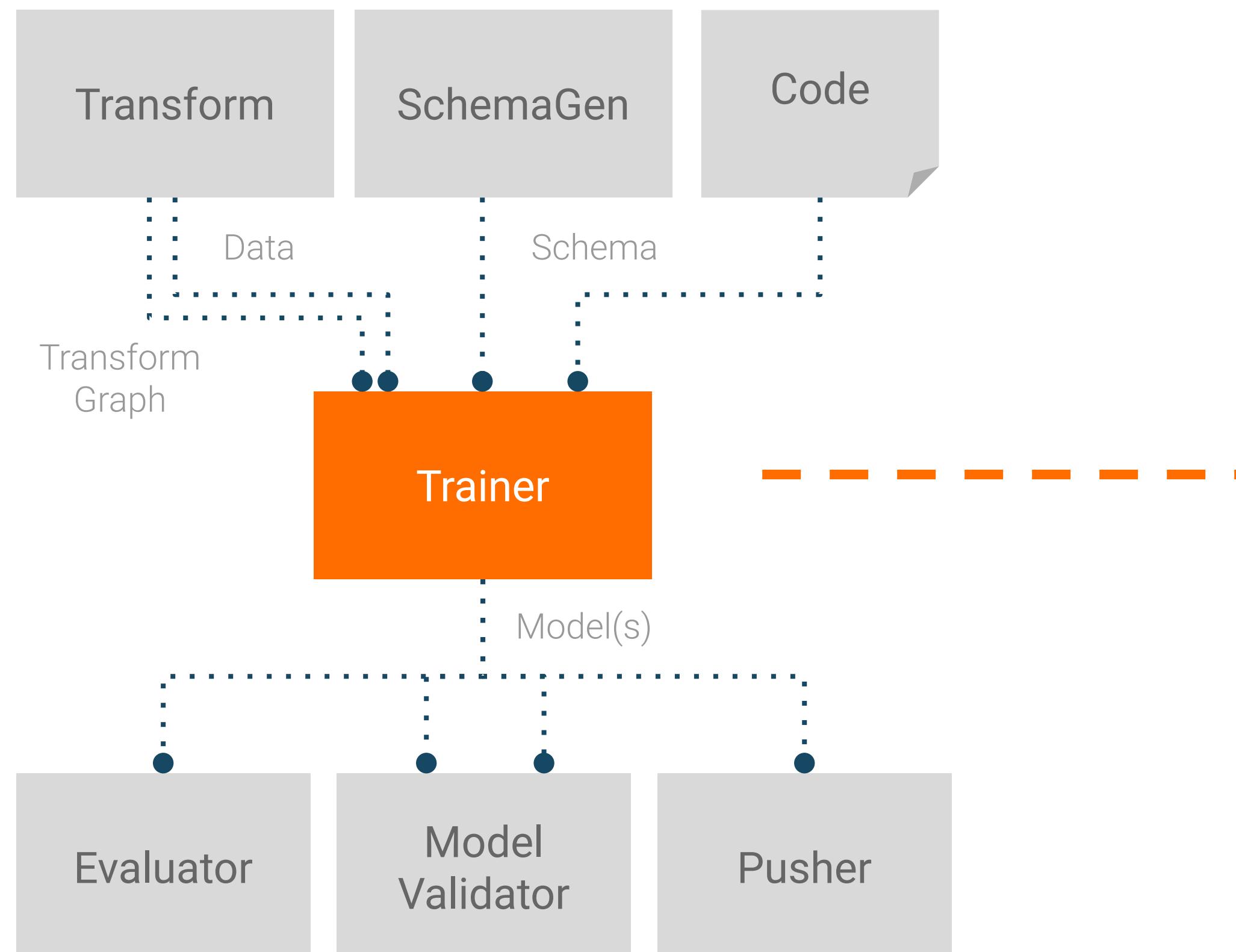
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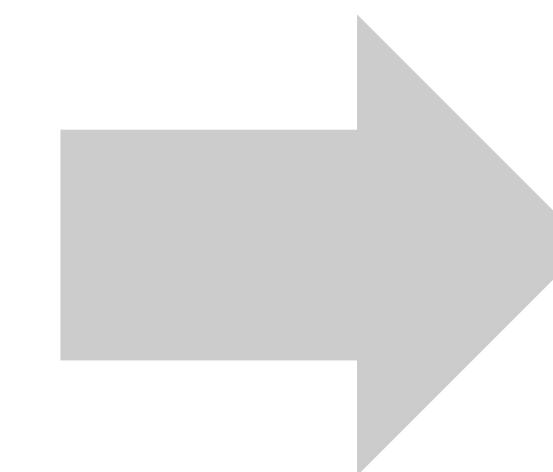
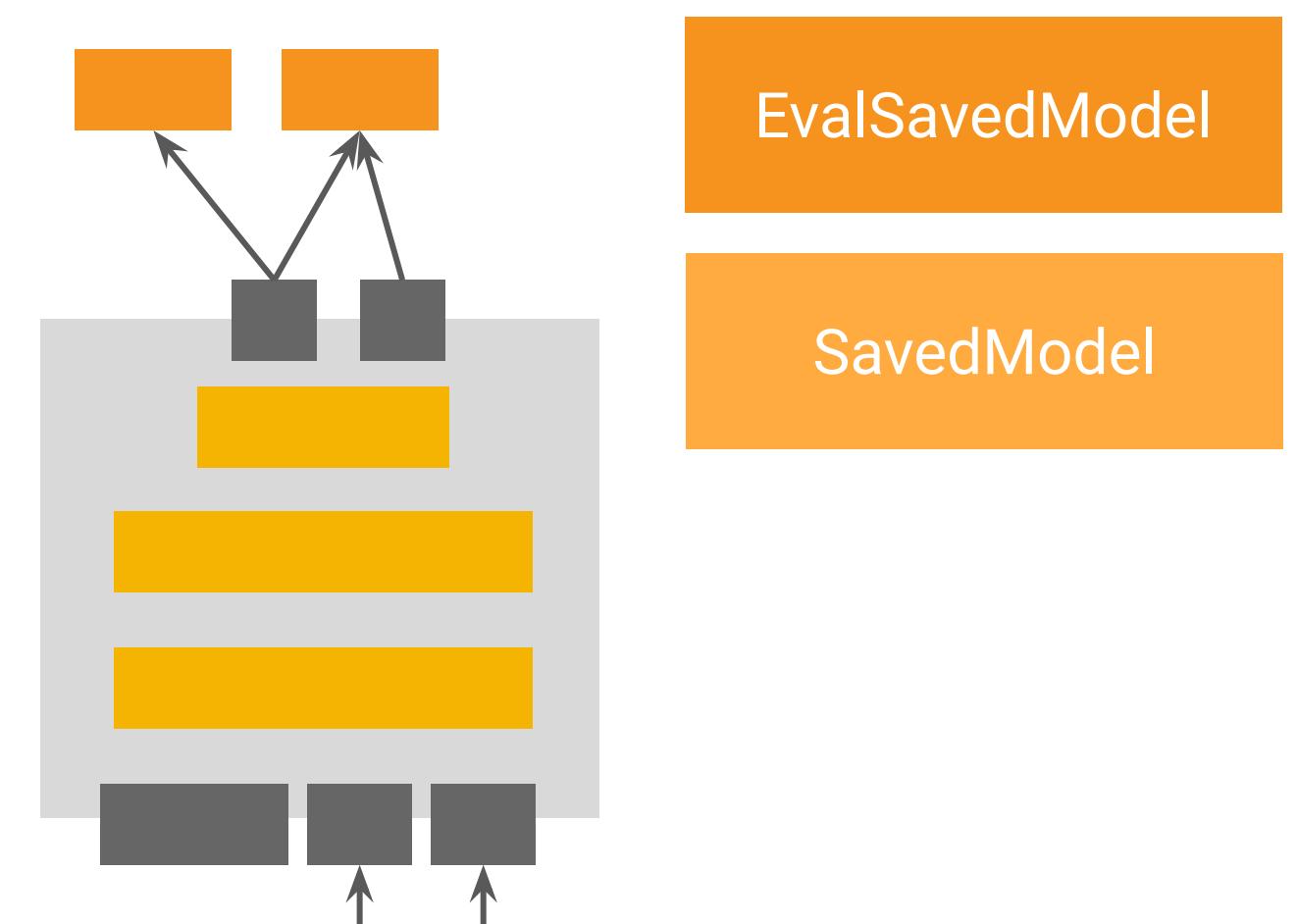
Component: Trainer

Inputs and Outputs



Highlight: SavedModel Format

Train, Eval, and Inference Graphs



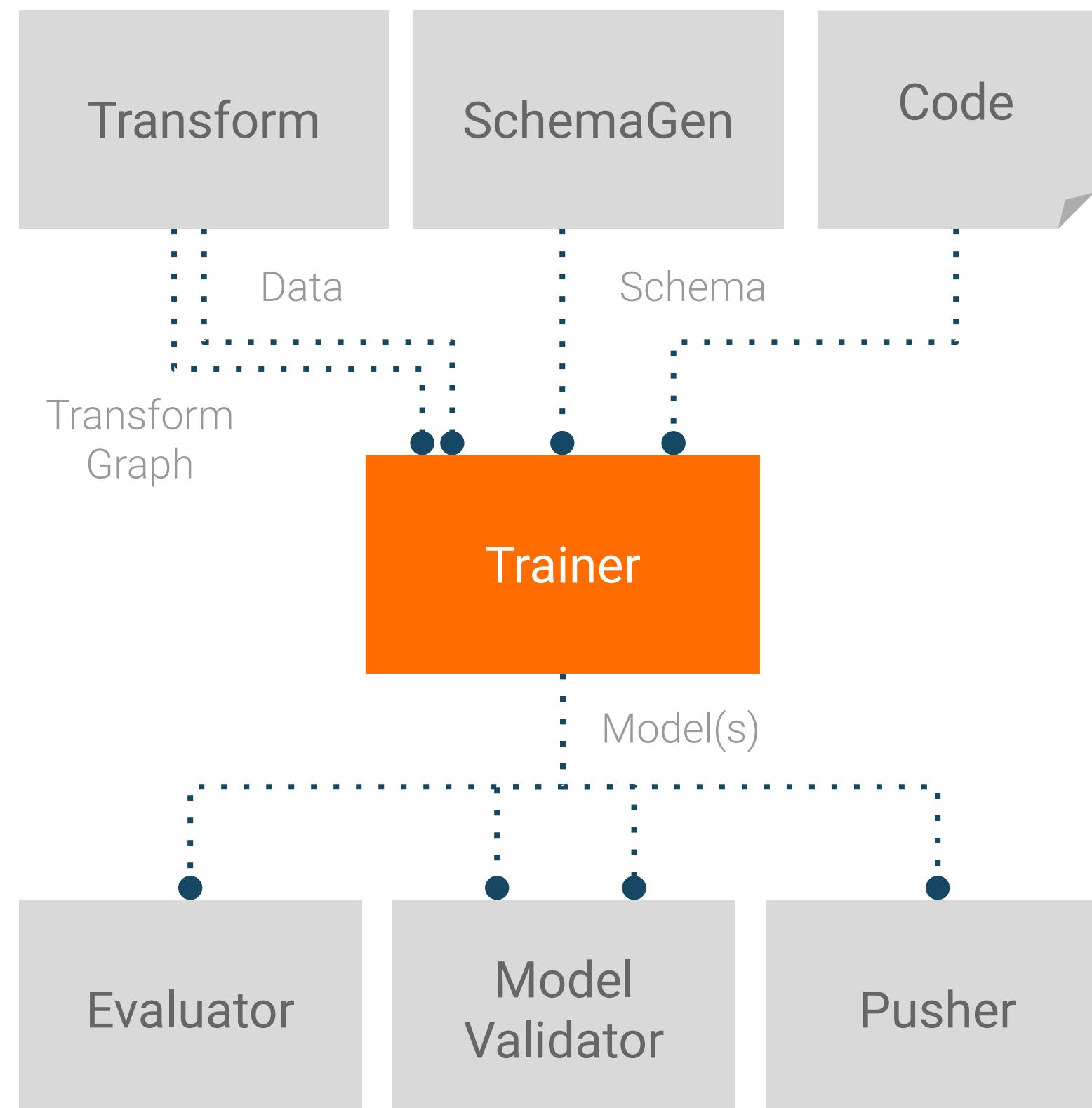
TensorFlow
Model Analysis

TensorFlow
Serving



Component: Trainer

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
trainer = Trainer(  
    module_file=taxi_module_file,  
    transformed_examples=transform.outputs.transformed_examples,  
    schema=infer_schema.outputs.output,  
    transform_output=transform.outputs.transform_output,  
    train_steps=10000,  
    eval_steps=5000,  
    warm_starting=True)
```

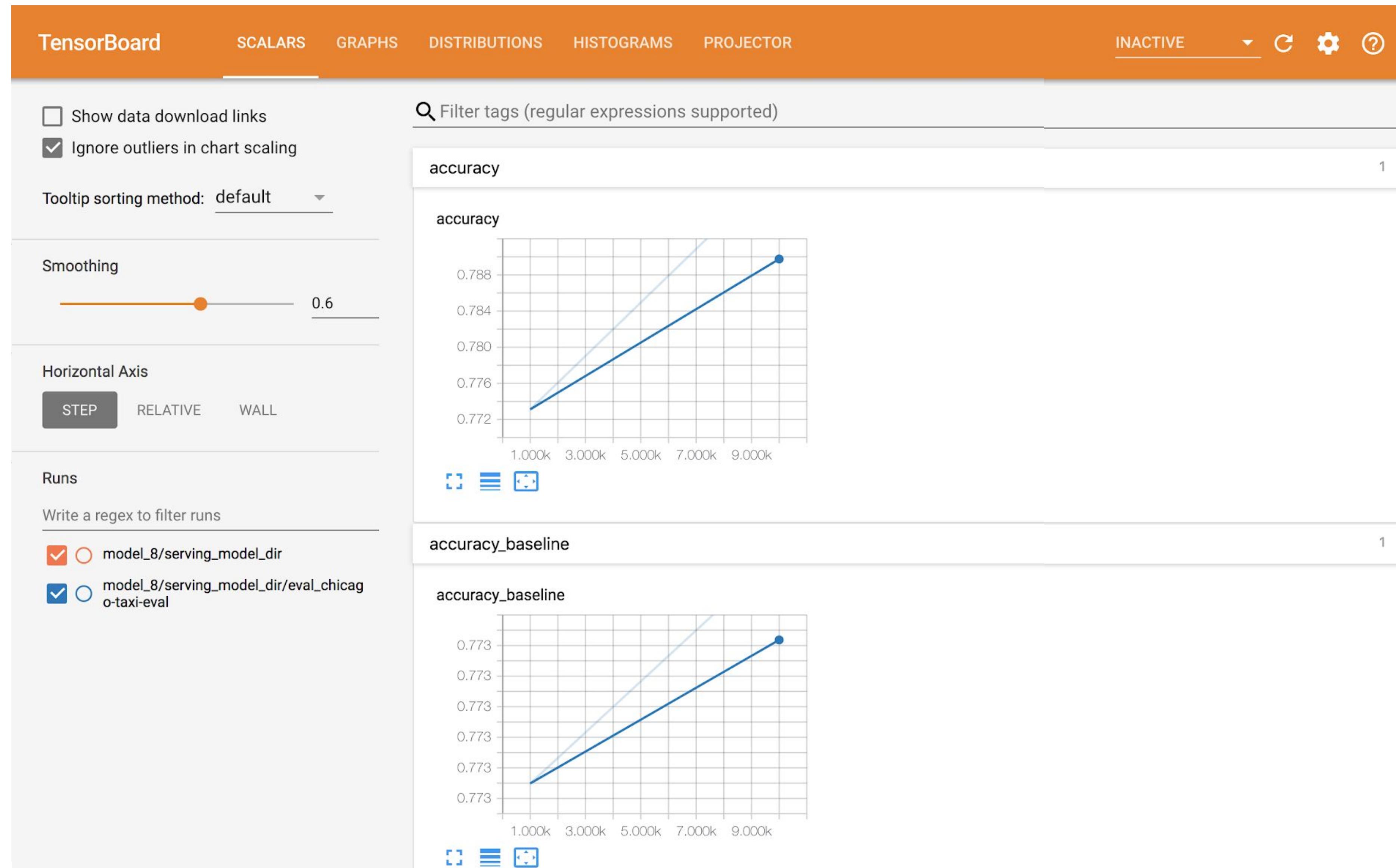
Code

Just TensorFlow :)



```
# Open up Tensorboard for model_id.  
print(display_tensorboard(model_id))
```

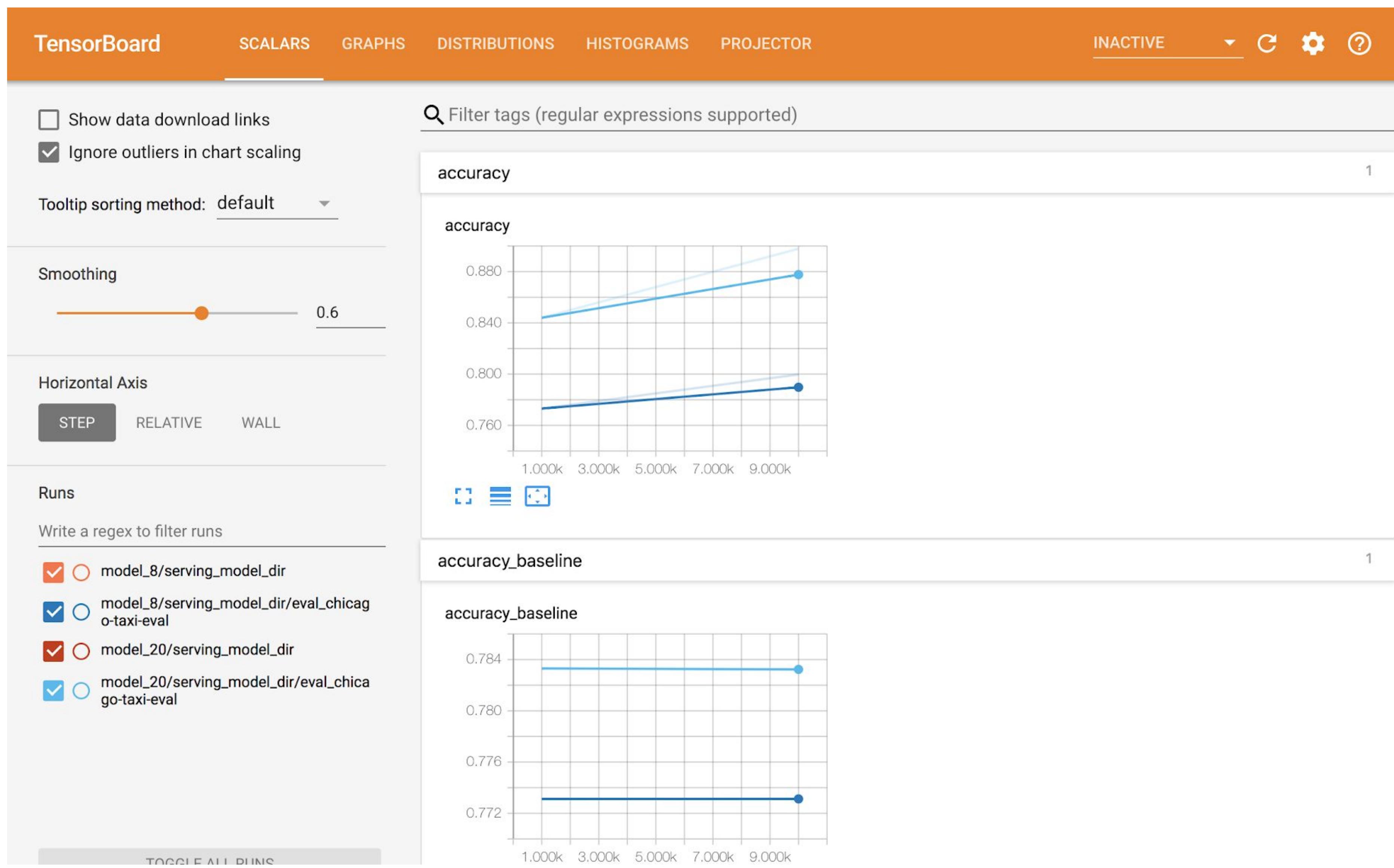
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```
# Compare Tensorboard metrics for different models.  
if num_models > 1:  
    print(display_tensorboard(model_id, other_model_id=other_model_id))
```

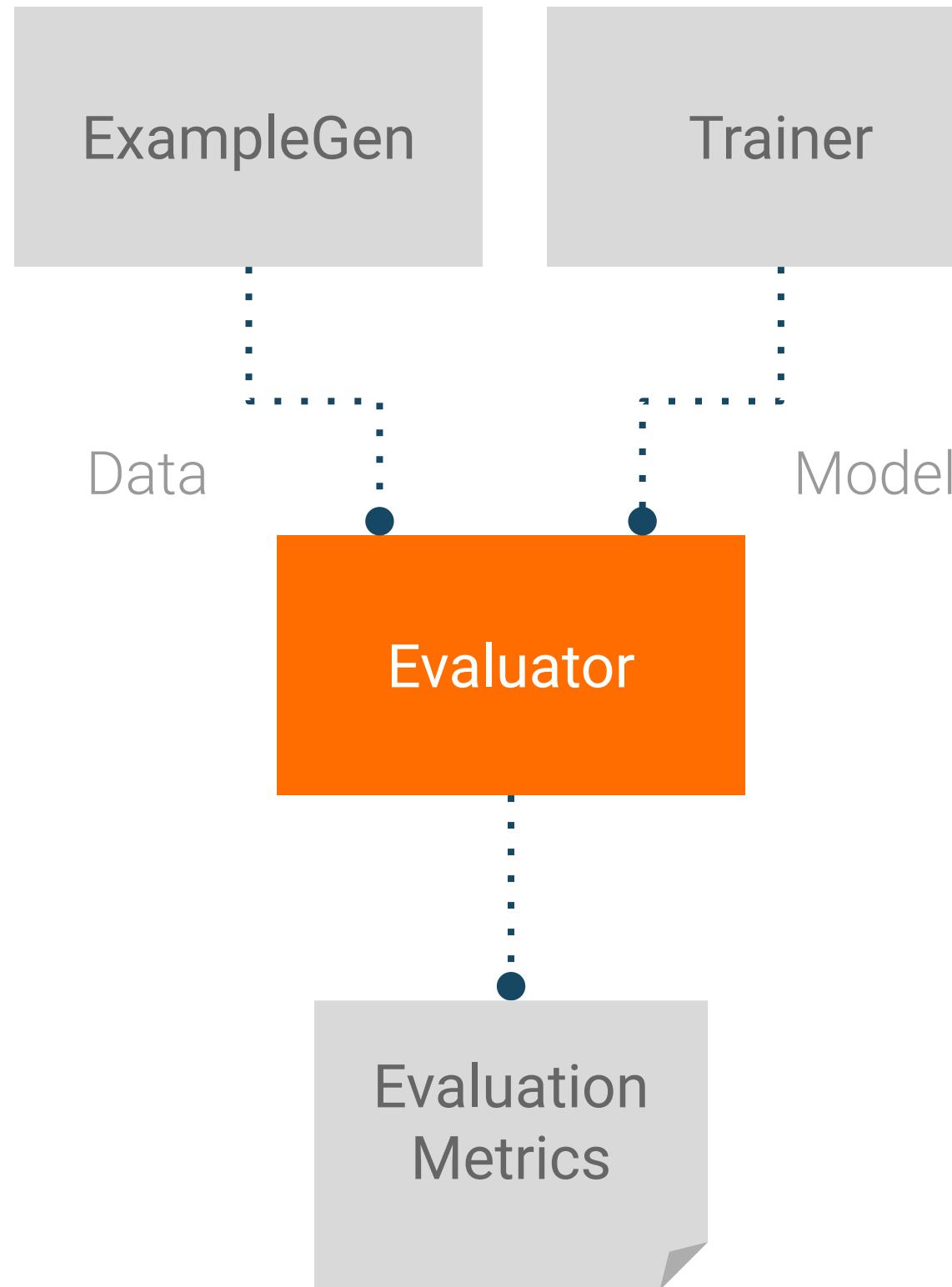
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Component: Evaluator

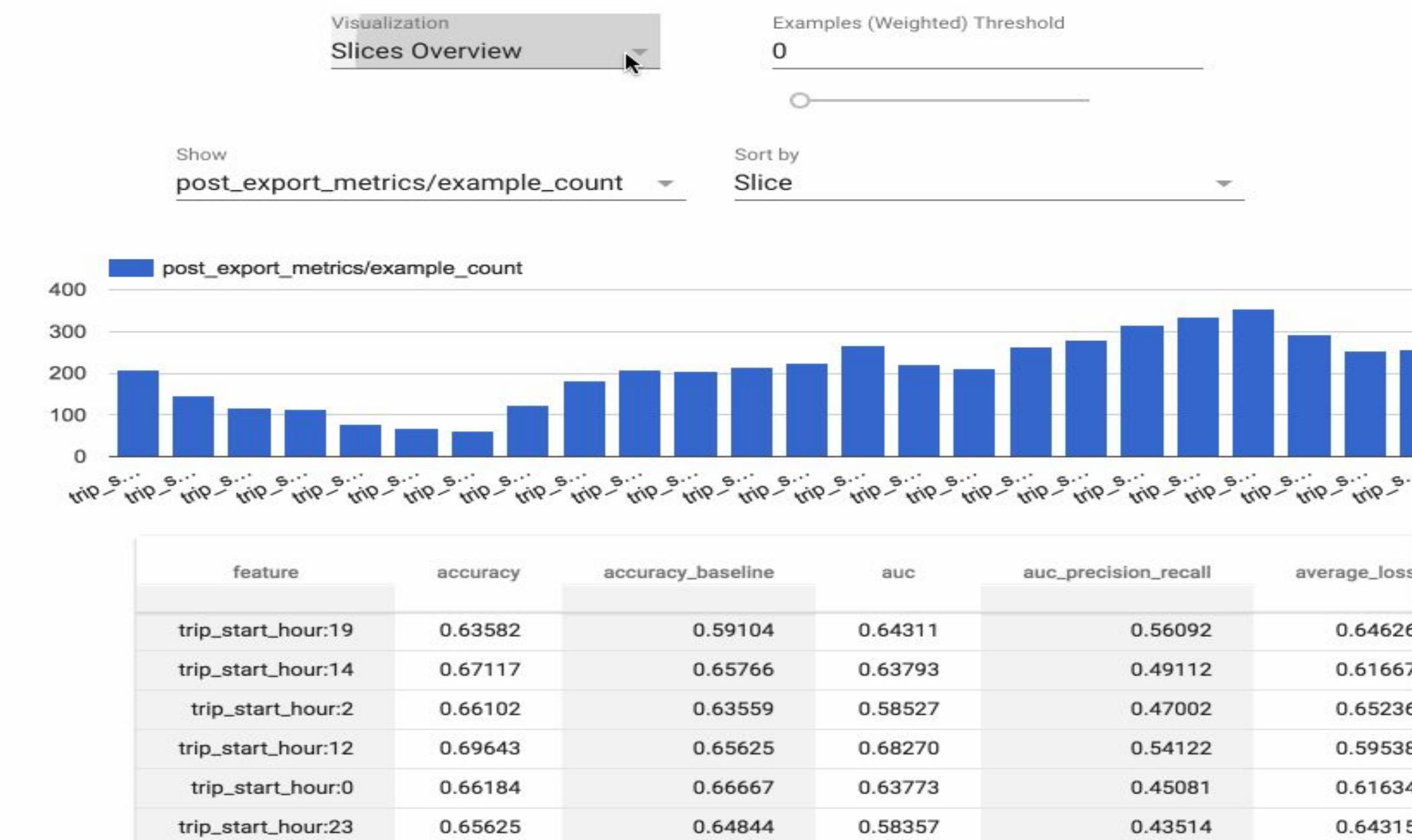
Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
model_analyzer = Evaluator(  
    examples=examples_gen.outputs.output,  
    eval_spec=taxi_eval_spec,  
    model_exports=trainer.outputs.output)
```

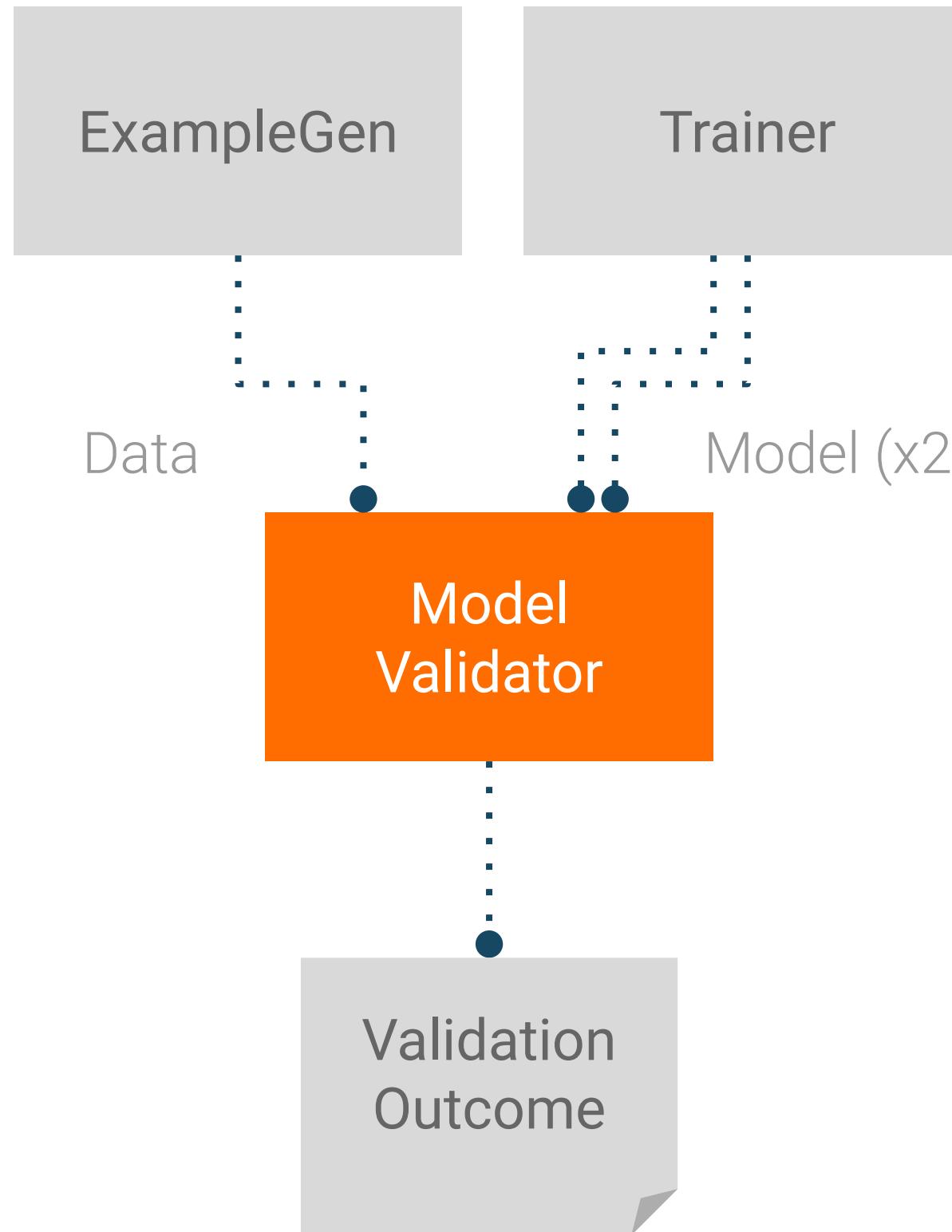
Visualization





Component: ModelValidator

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

```
model_validator = ModelValidator(  
    examples=examples_gen.outputs.output,  
    model=trainer.outputs.output,  
    eval_spec=taxi_mv_spec)
```

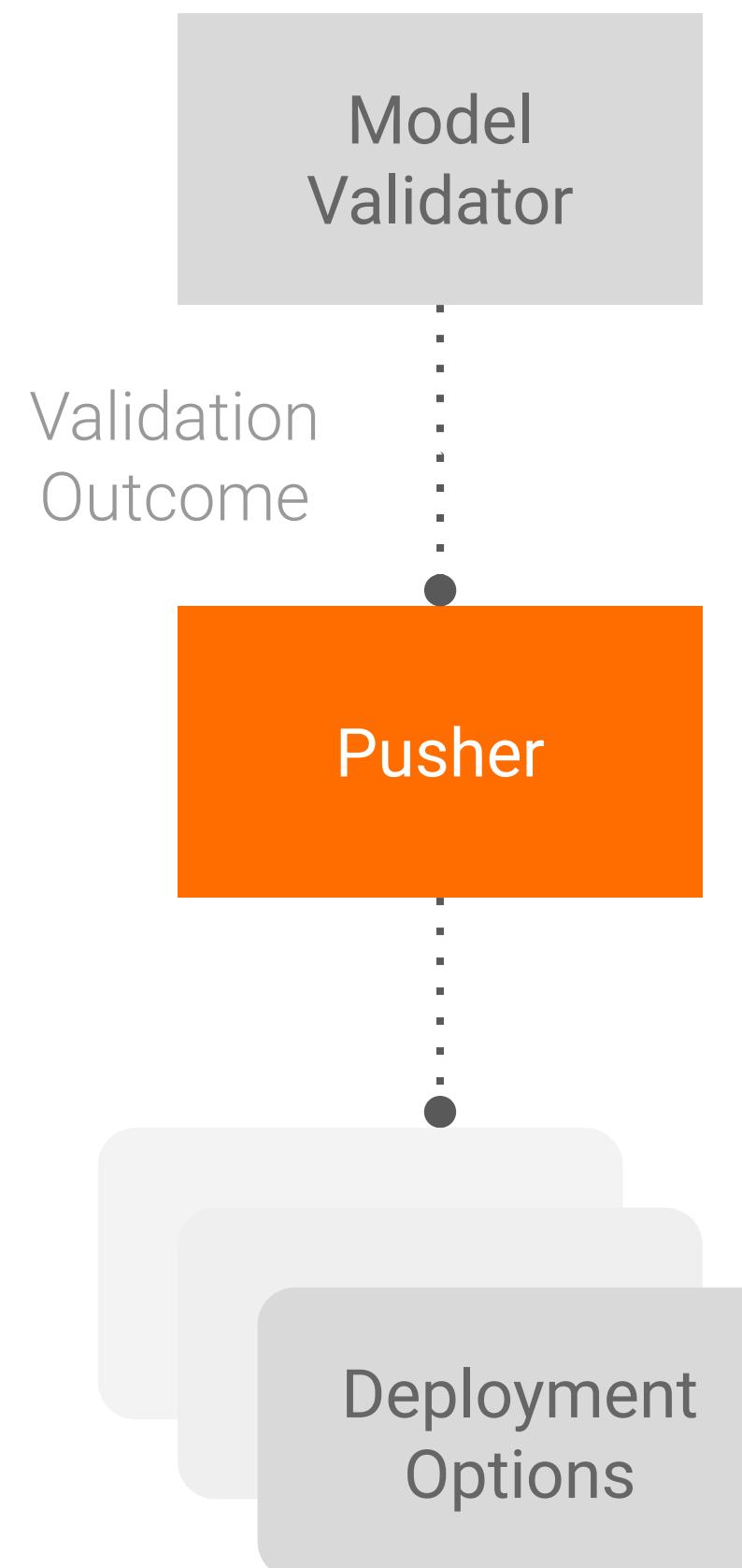
Configuration Options

- Validate using current eval data
- “Next-day eval”, validate using unseen data



Component: Pusher

Inputs and Outputs



Configuration

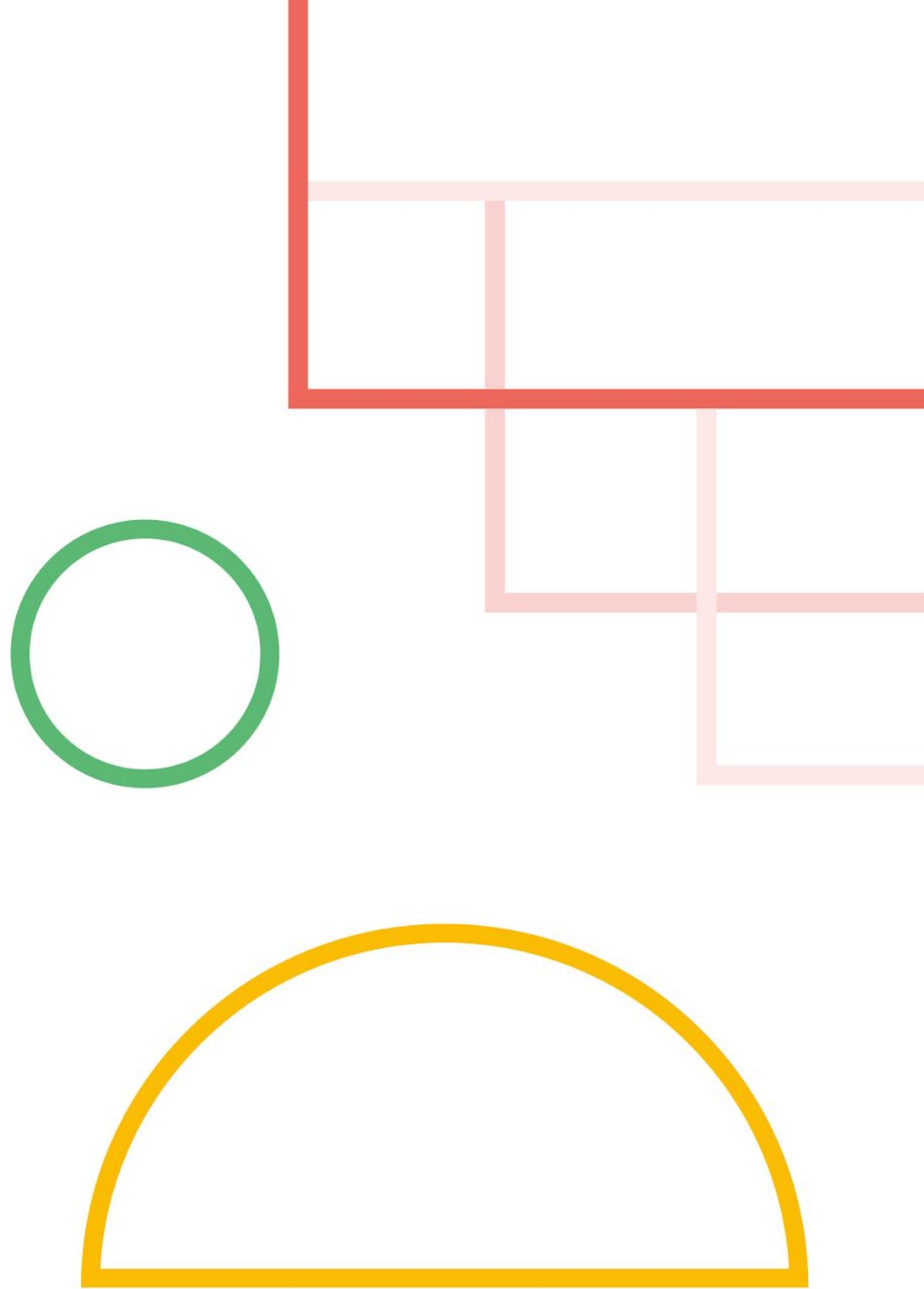
```
pusher = Pusher(  
    model_export=trainer.outputs.output,  
    model_blessing=model_validator.outputs.blessing,  
    serving_model_dir=serving_model_dir)
```

Block push on validation outcome

Push destinations supported today

- Filesystem (TensorFlow Lite, TensorFlow JS)
- TensorFlow Serving

Model Understanding



Online Retailer Selling Shoes ...

Your model predicts
click-through rates (CTR),
helping you decide how much
inventory to order.





When all-of-a-sudden!

You discover that AUC and prediction accuracy have dropped on men's dress shoes!





Why “Understand” the model?

Mispredictions do not have uniform **cost** to your business.

The **data you have** is rarely the data you wish you had.

Model objective is nearly always a **proxy** for your business objectives

The real world **doesn't stand still**.



ML Insights Triangle



ML Insights Triangle

Some **assumption** was violated, but which one?

Business Realities Changed?



Business Realities Changed?



Bad Data?

Business Realities Changed?





First Things First

Check your data with the ExampleValidator component and the tools in TensorFlow Data Validation:

- No outliers
- No missing features
- Minimal distribution shift

Sort by

Feature order



Reverse order

Feature search

Features: int(5) float(10) string(2) unknown(1)

Numeric Features (15)

count	missing	mean	std dev	zeros	min	median	max	Chart to show
10,000	0%	11.74	12.13	0.17%	0	7.85	700.07	Standard

price

10,000

0%

11.74

12.13

0.17%

0

7.85

700.07

2K



shoe_size

10,000

0%

13.63

6.61

4.14%

0

15

23

200

50 200 350

2 6 10 14



Feature Attributions

Query for other examples by matching on those important features

- Maybe the model overgeneralized from too few examples with this particular feature combo?
- Add features to help create distinctions you'd like the model to make.
- Collect more examples with that feature combo if possible!





Analyze and Compare

Check your model performance with the built-in TF Model Analysis component:

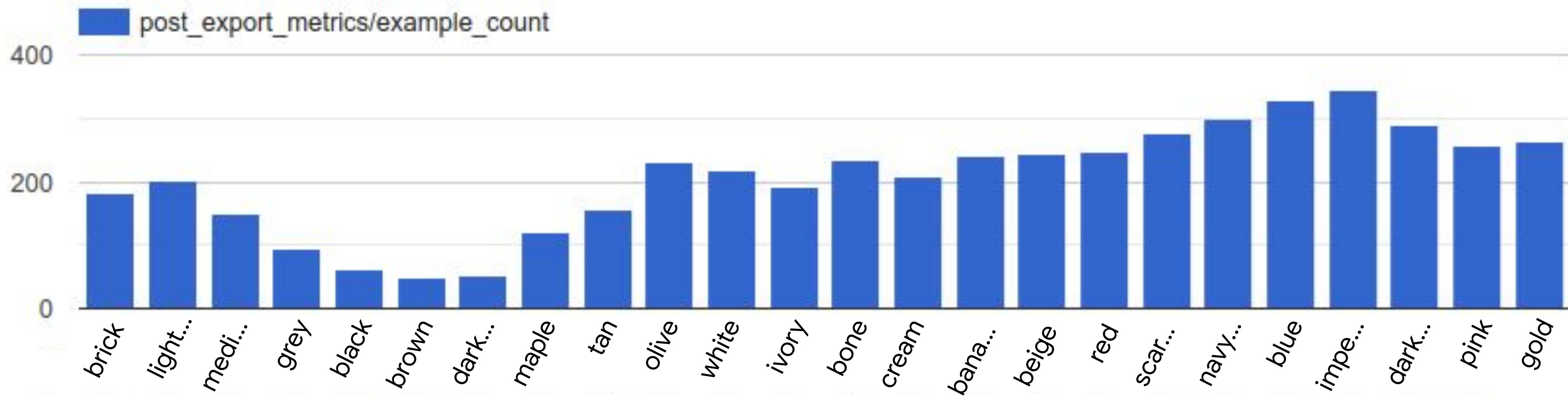
- How does the model perform on different slices of data?
- How does the current model performance compare to previous versions?

Show

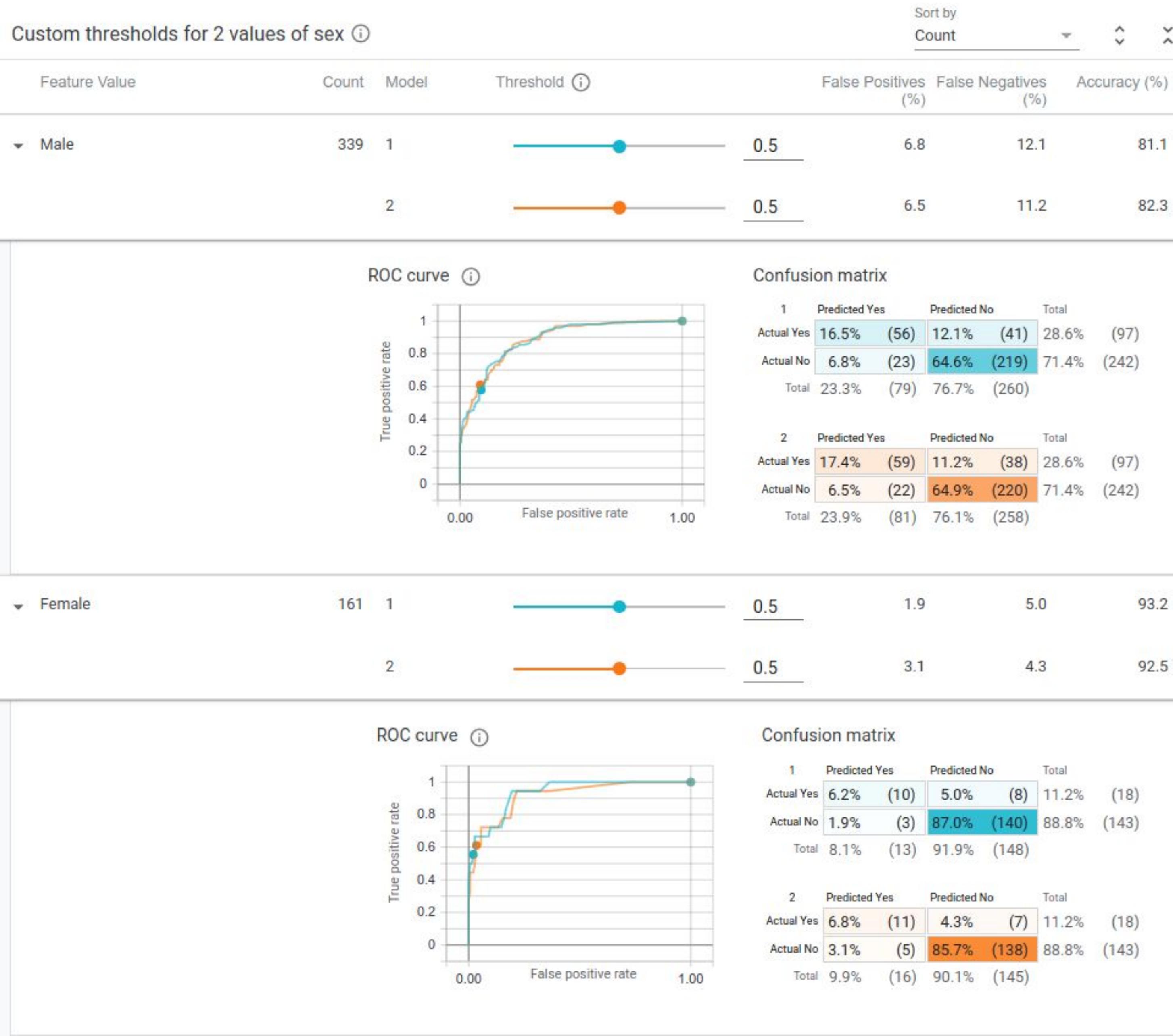
post_export_metrics/example_count

Sort by

Slice



feature	accuracy	accuracy_baseline	auc	auc_precision_recall	average_ll
brick	0.74586	0.74033	0.95943	0.80808	0.358
light grey	0.79310	0.78325	0.95648	0.74818	0.324



Explore your model and data

What-if tool

Understand the input your model is receiving

Ask and answer “what-if” questions about your model’s output

Compare model performance across different slices of your data

Compare performance across multiple models



Quantify the Cost

Remember, **CTR is just the model's proxy objective!**

- Your actual business objectives depend on: revenue, cost, your supply, etc.
- To analyze **misprediction cost**, join your model's predictions with the rest of your business data

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