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# SmartAppraise AI: Predicting Employee Performance Using SMART Data and Non-Linear Feature Analysis

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Performance Plan							Review of the Actual Results			
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			Base (3)	Exceed (4)	Stretch (5)					
1. Grow Business Sustainably	Report Enhancements	a. Explore SDMA with advanced technique by using tools provided in SDMA such as scripting, union, sql, modelling etc. (Benchmark report is Crystal Report in SAQD) b. To develop SDMA report for Procurement : i) PO GRN invoice ii) PO Dashboard iii) PO good not yet received c. To develop SDMA report for purchase request d. Found another important solution which ERP team able to converted all the key X3 tables into pipeline but still need to learn from ZAPI team for advance integration table matching parameters ( Vertical and horizontal relationships )	Completed implementation on agreed timeline	Users use the system effectively ie min 90% utilisation	Automation works efficient and effective manner ie zero defect	20.0%	a. Establish few reports of SDMA for MECAS Sales, GRN-PO, Inventory b. Develop few tabulated summary linkage of drill - through c. Established PO-GRIN-PIN SDMA report using attribute filter functions ( by dept, Project, Vendors, Companies, etc ) Others areas planned	1. Completed SDMA Report : PO GRN Invoice, PO dashboard and PO good not yet received with no cost. 2. End users able to establish the report themselves without having dependency on ZAPI team.	4.50	0.90
		To Enhance SDMA report for each process flow and to explore tables to create better data for user to analyse	Completed implementation on agreed timeline	Users use the system effectively ie min 90% utilisation	Automation works efficient and effective manner ie zero defect	20.0%	a. Starts to use the system as per requirement by users b. Purchase requisition listing 1 ( created by hanzman and illi ) c. Purchase requisition listing 2 ( modified for hanzman and illi ) d. Purchase order listing 1 ( created by shankar ) e. Purchase order listing 2 ( modified for hanzman and illi )	1. Purchase requisition listing established and authorised as no fund available category however stretchable payment plan without any interest.		
		Establish SDMA implementation and reports.	No significant issues from audit	Minimal issues from audit	No issues from audit	11.0%	a. Get familiarized with user requirement b. Create SDMA pipeline c. Relationship which similar as SQL Table mapping via training videos by ZAPI Consultants. d. Work with Process owner to confirm the concept ( k. amalina, Maria )	1. Documentation and reports for users to view. 2. Users able to do analysis with given information in the reports.		
		Treat SDMA as SQL report and SDMA report enhancement and modification based on user's request and requirement. b. ....	Completed implementation on agreed timeline	Users use the system effectively ie min 90% utilisation	Automation works efficient and effective manner ie zero defect	10.0%	Established Pipeline to enable banks and Filter by company or projects	1. Project Completed but no enhancement from treasurer team.		
2. Ensure Sufficient Funds for Operations and Growth	Increase the timeliness, completeness and accuracy of data used for decision making	a. To establish relevance pipelines for different modules b. To enhanced SDMA pipeline in terms on relationship to enhance data accuracy;	T + 15	T + 10	T + 7	10.0%	1. Completed SDMA Procurement for invoicing elements 2. Each screen module with enhanced filtered functions. Data deployed for SDMA	1. Completed established several pipeline for different modules. Some modules can't be constructed because of data restriction and the	3.70	0.37

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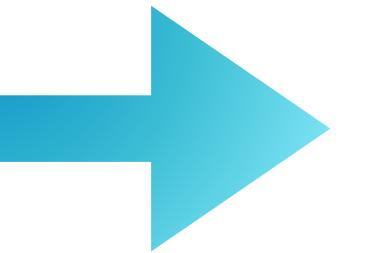
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	Report Enhancements	To Create SDMA report for each process and category to create better data for user to analyse and take decision	Completed implementation on agreed timeline	Users use the system effectively ie min 90% utilisation	Automation works efficient and effective manner ie zero defect	10.0%		a. Purchase requisition utilized by users to generate purchase order b. Purchase requisition utilized by users to generate purchase order c. Open purchase order d. Purchase order modified for payment plan e. Purchase order modified for payment plan f. Purchase order listing 1 (created by shankar) g. Purchase order listing 2 (modified for shankar)	1. Purchase requisition utilized by users to generate purchase order 2. Purchase requisition utilized by users to generate purchase order 3. Open purchase order 4. Purchase order modified for payment plan 5. Purchase order modified for payment plan 6. Purchase order listing 1 (created by shankar) 7. Purchase order listing 2 (modified for shankar)	4.00	0.44
	Documentation	SDMA documentation to implement SDMA implementation and reports.	No significant issues from audit	Minimal issues from audit	No issues from audit	11.0%		a. Get familiarized with SDMA system b. SDMA system usage c. SDMA system usage d. SDMA system usage e. SDMA system usage f. SDMA system usage g. SDMA system usage	1. SDMA system usage 2. SDMA system usage 3. SDMA system usage 4. SDMA system usage 5. SDMA system usage 6. SDMA system usage 7. SDMA system usage	4.00	0.44
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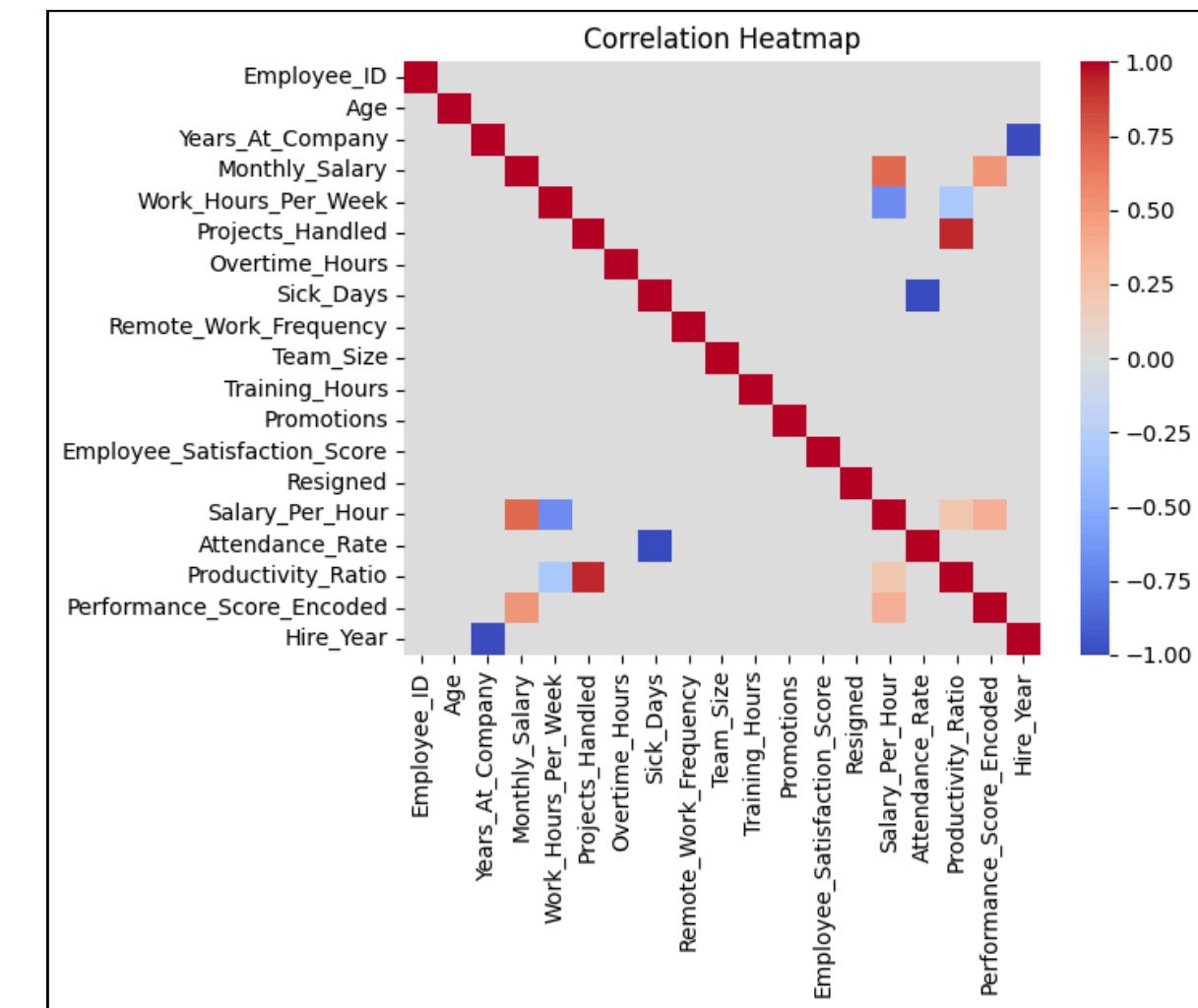
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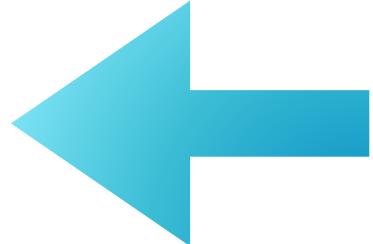
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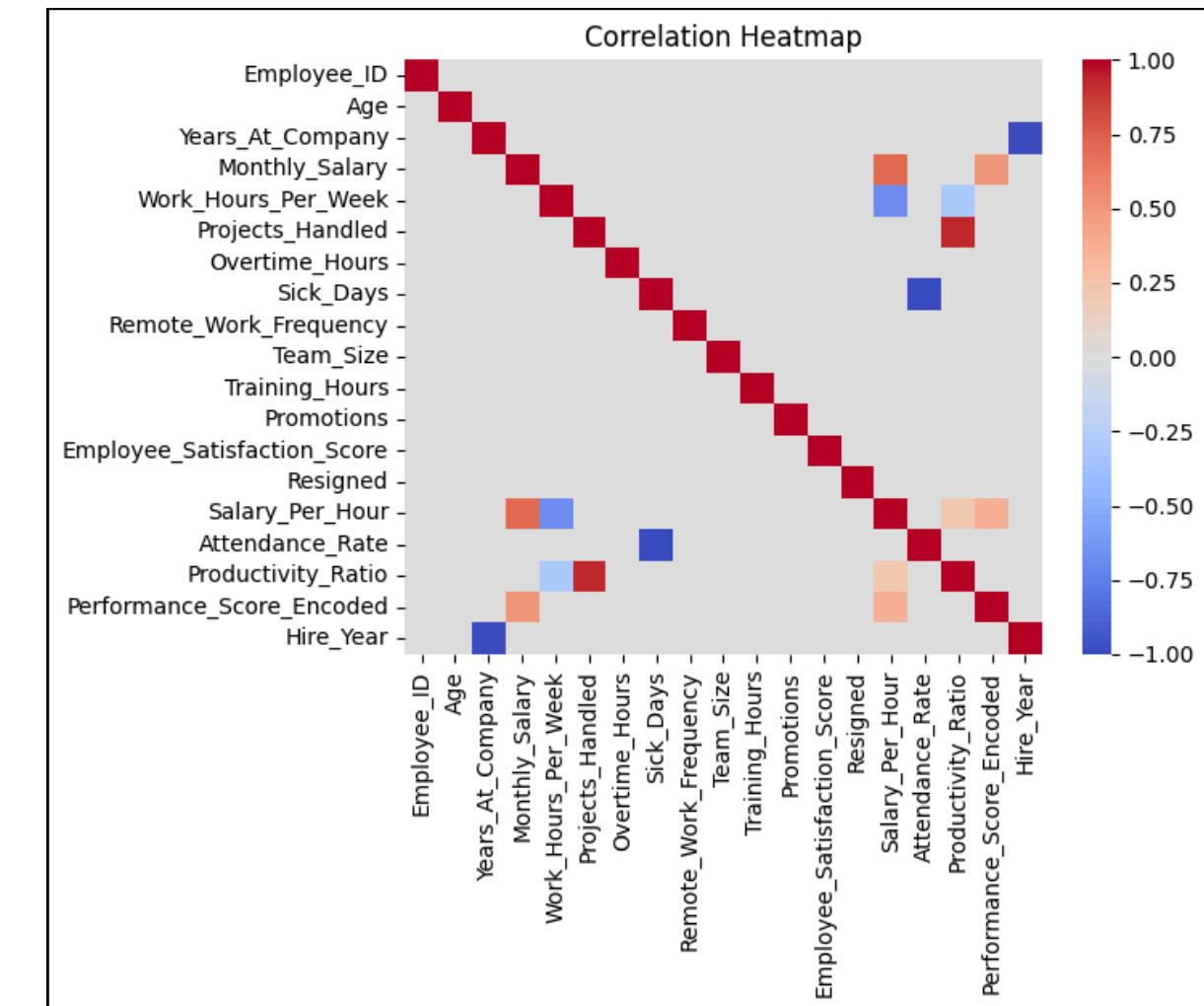


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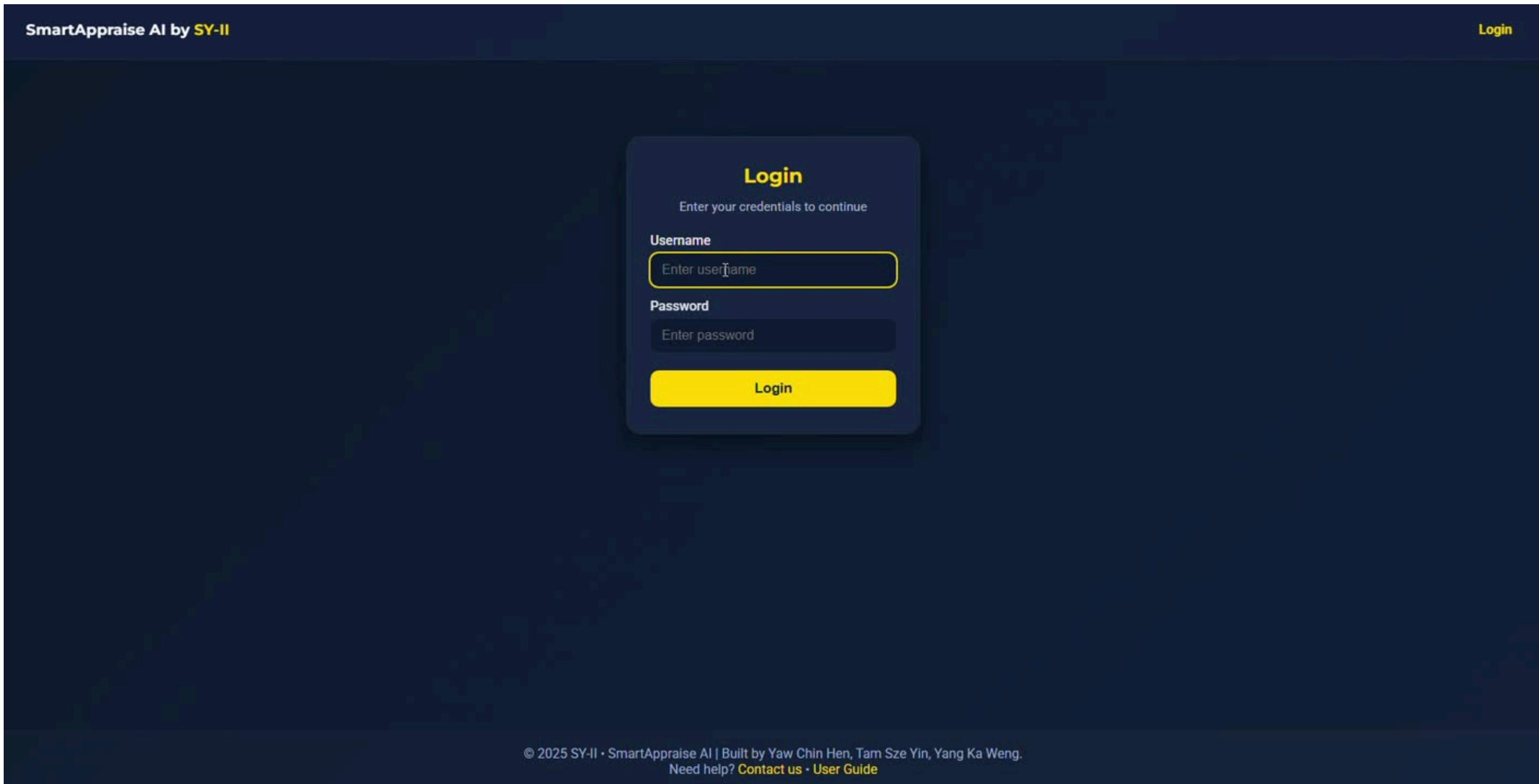
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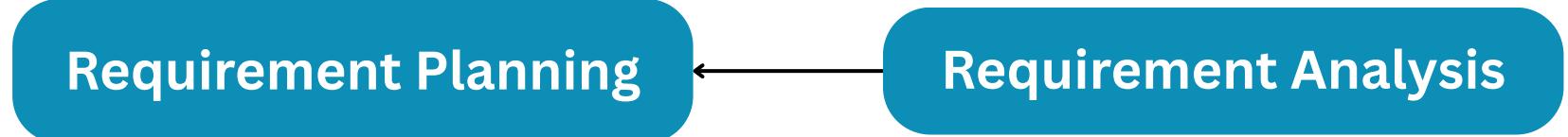


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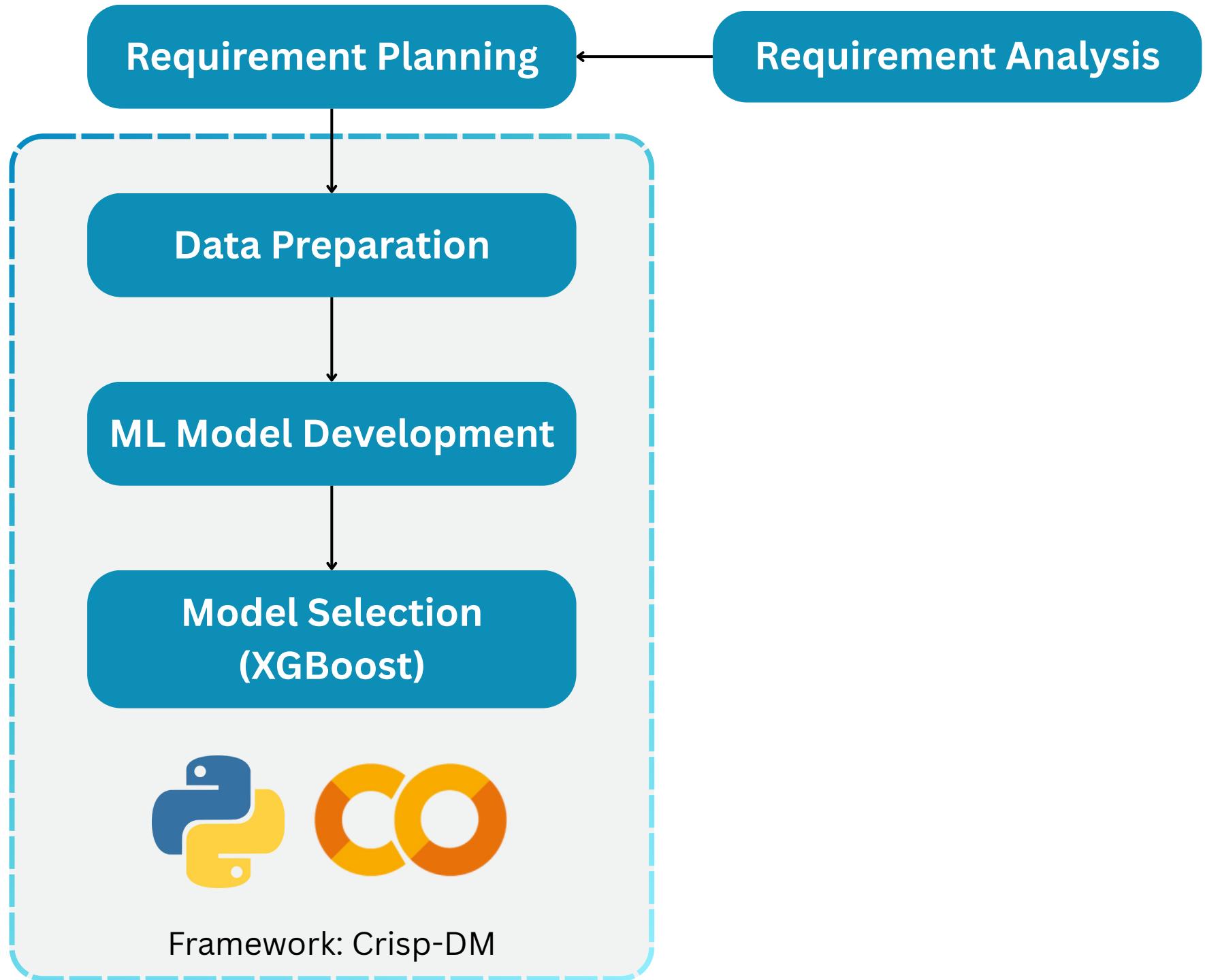
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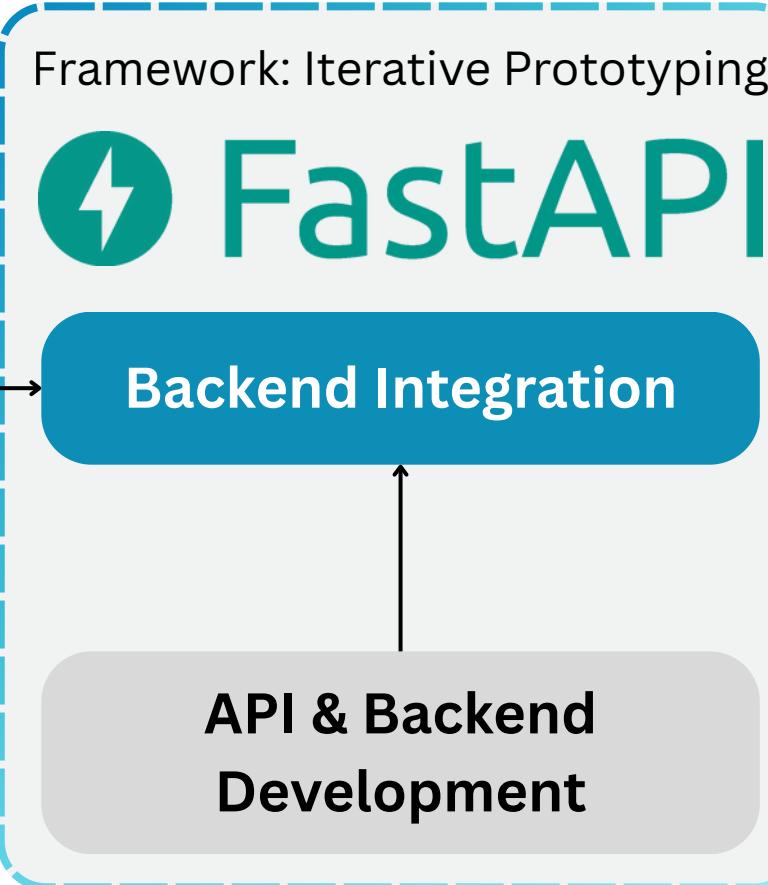
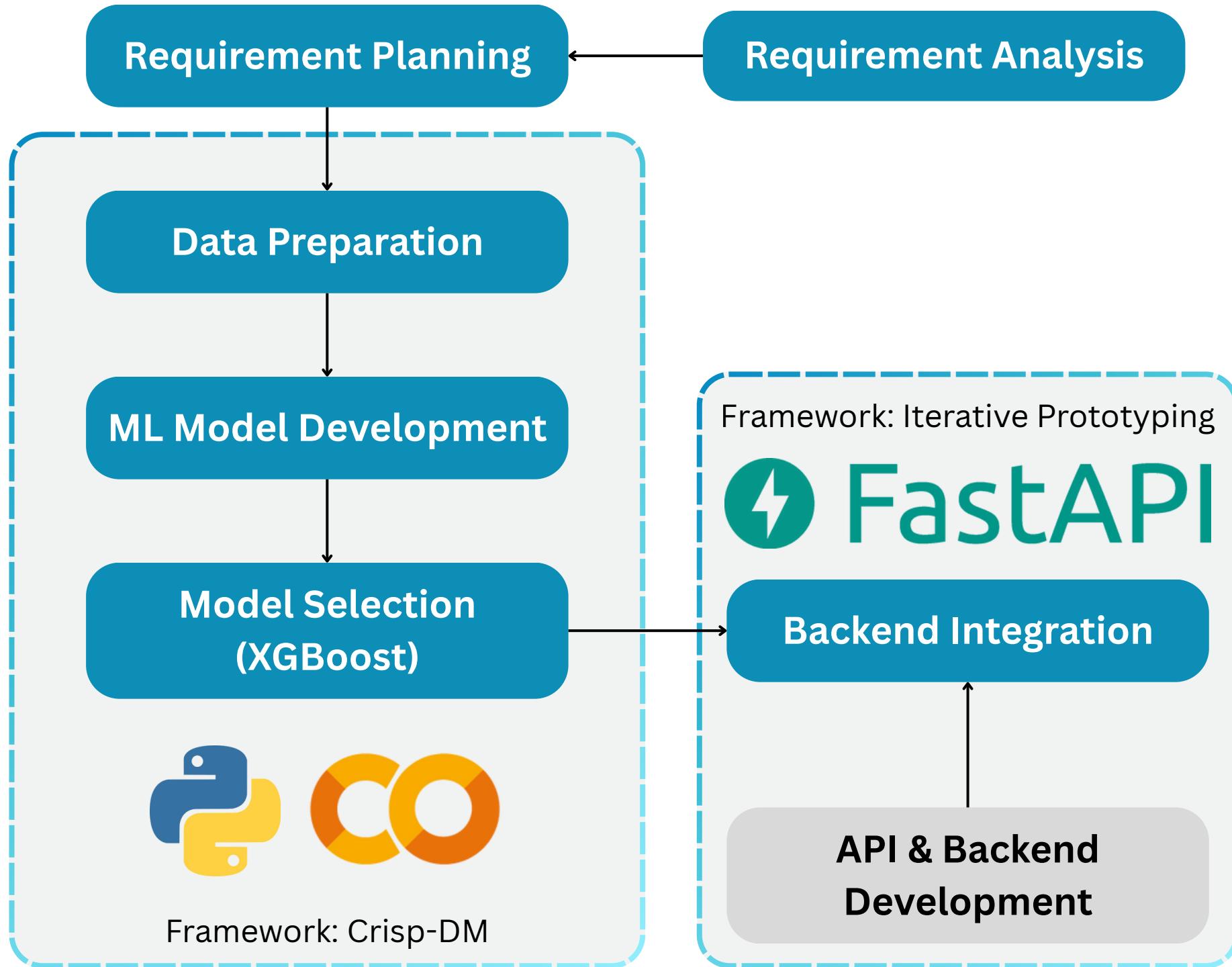
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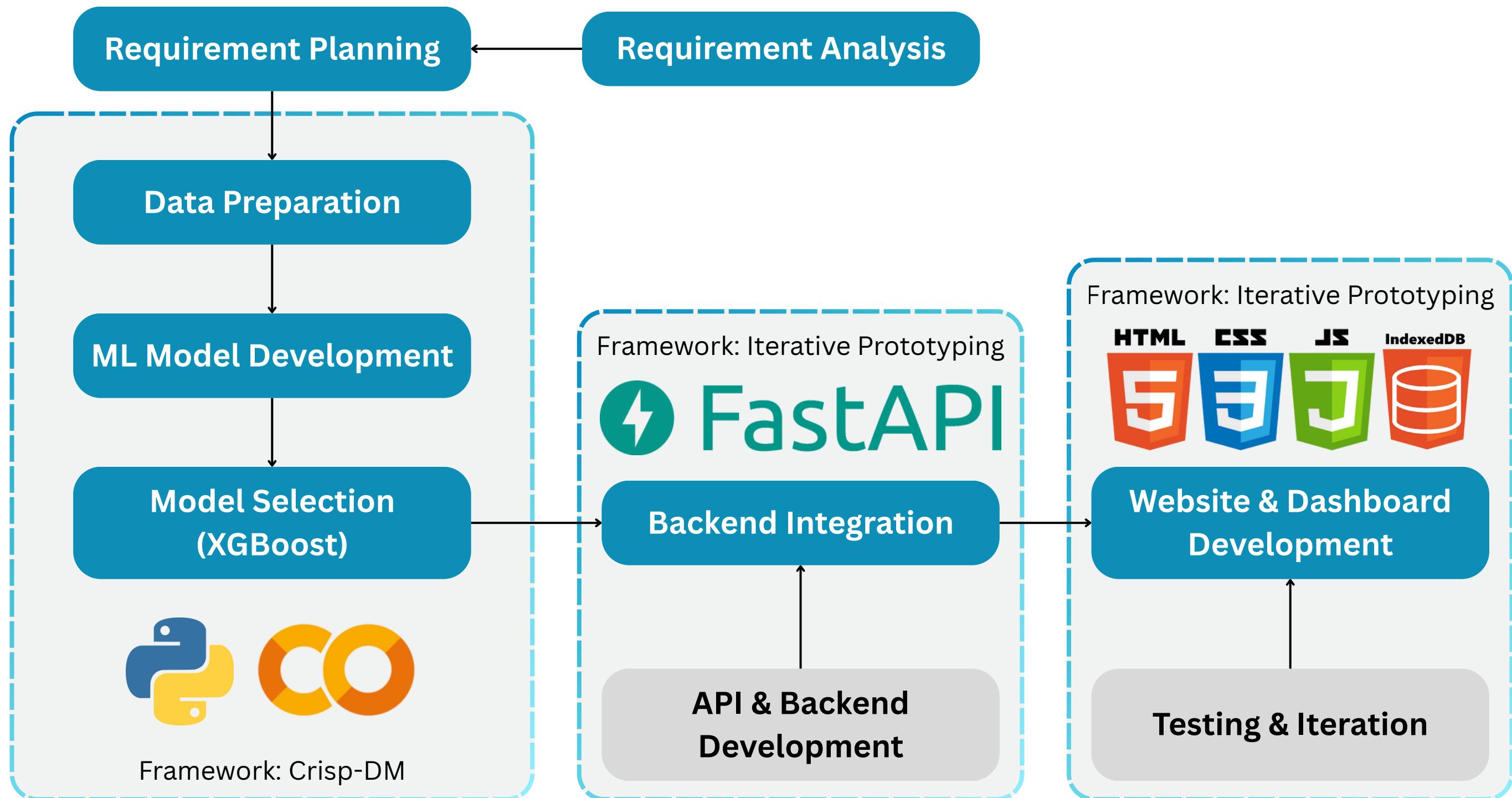
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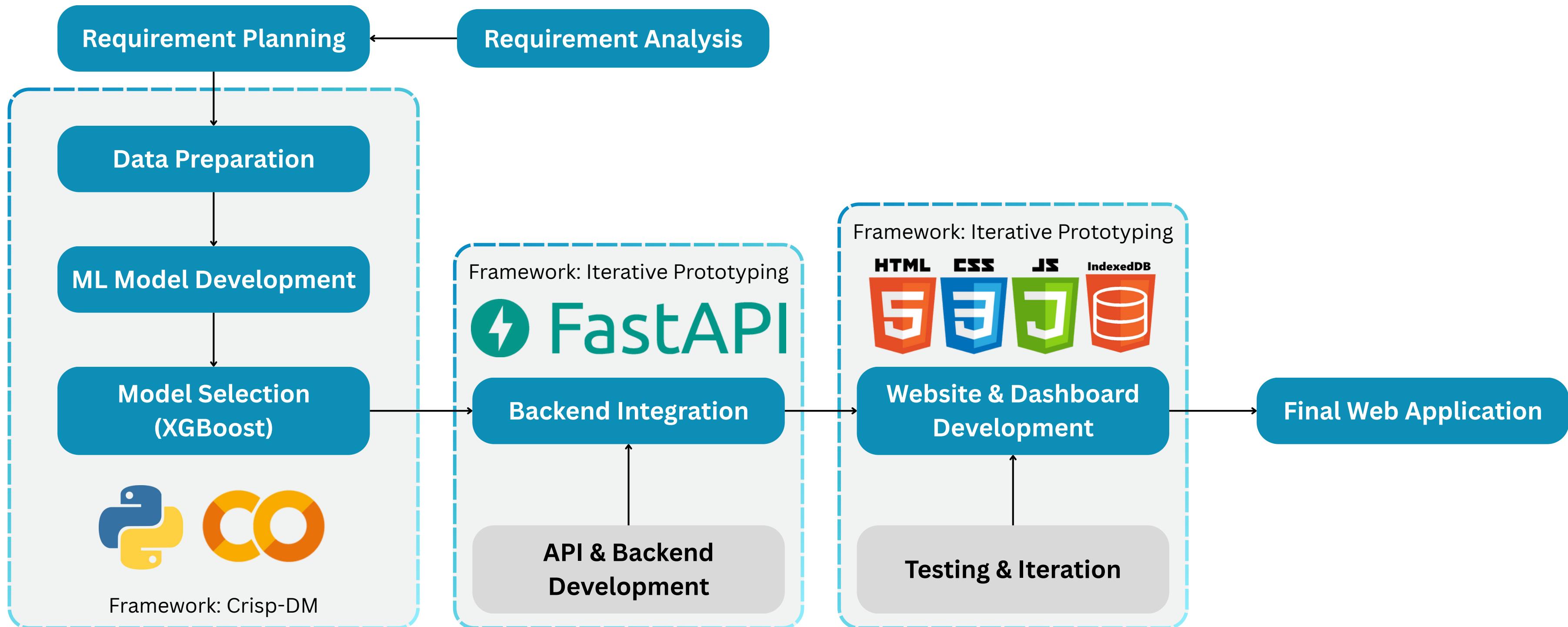
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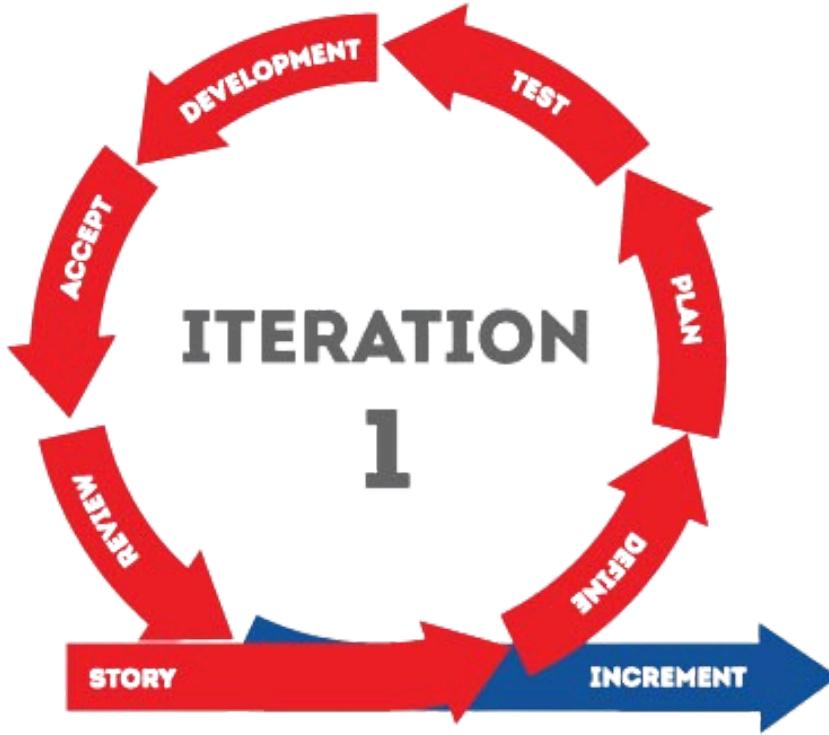
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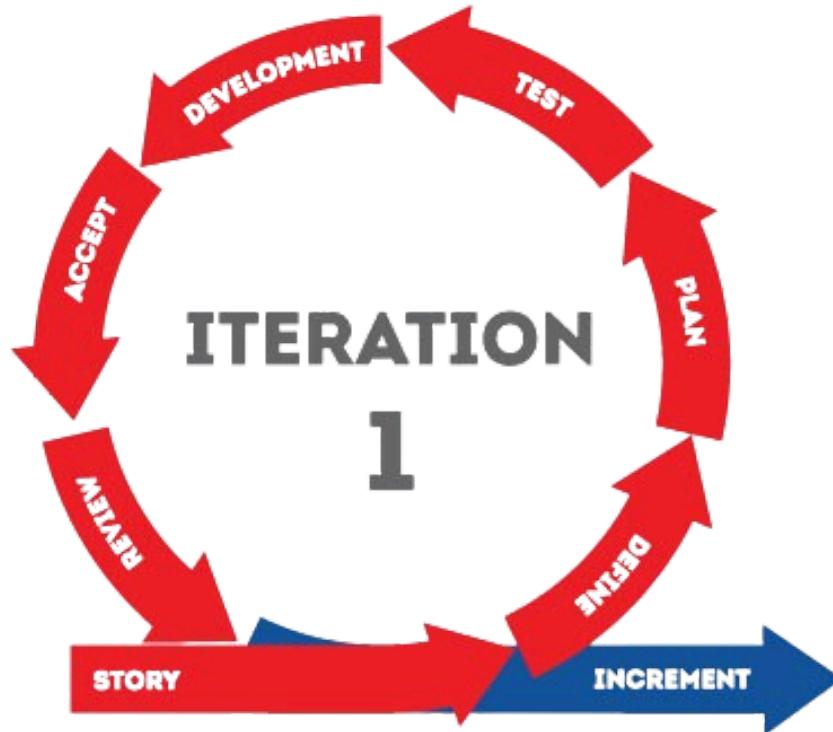
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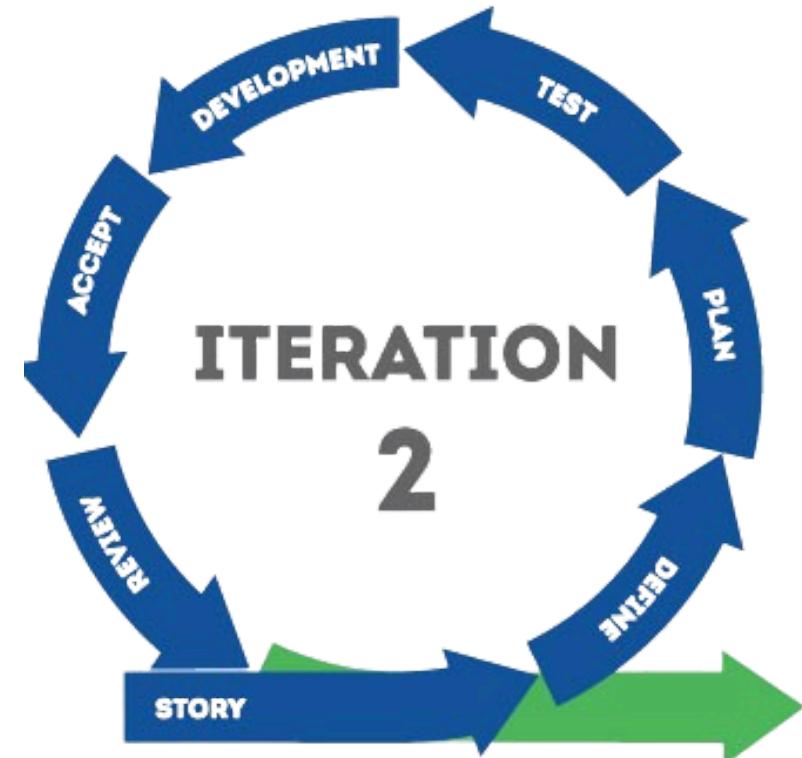


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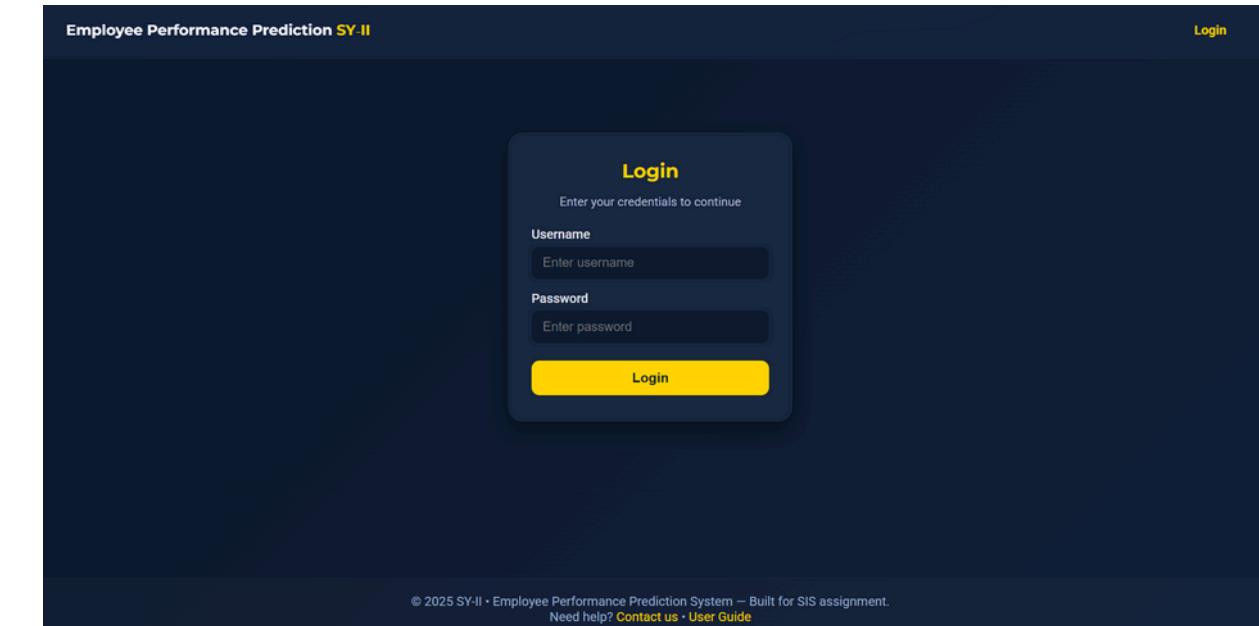


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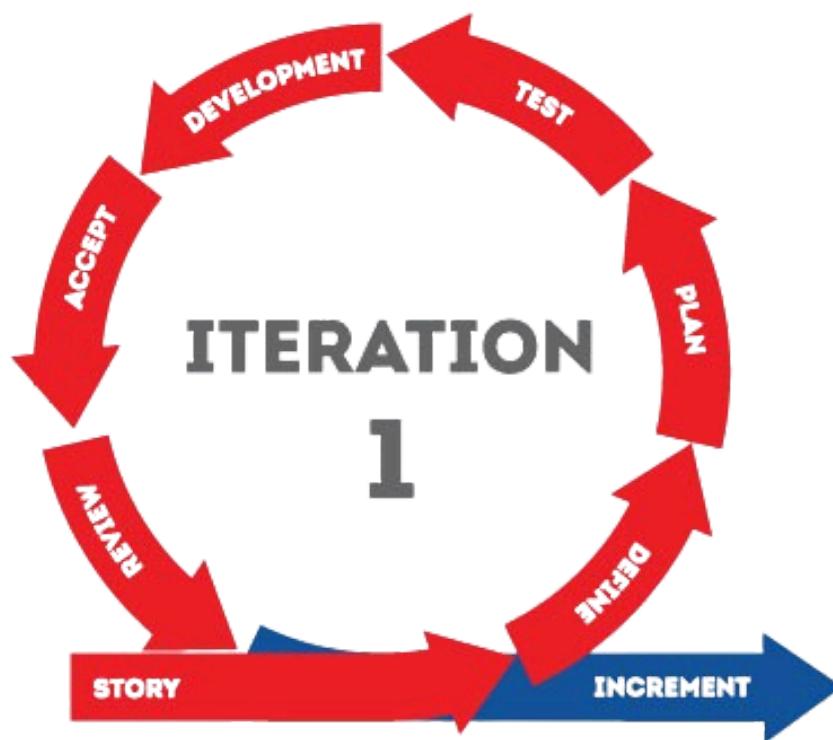
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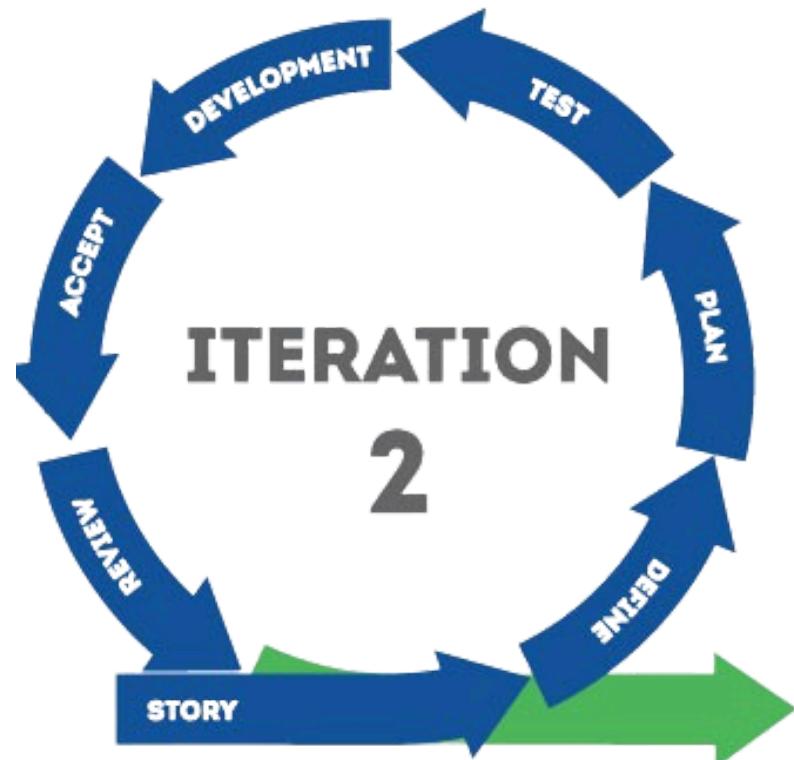


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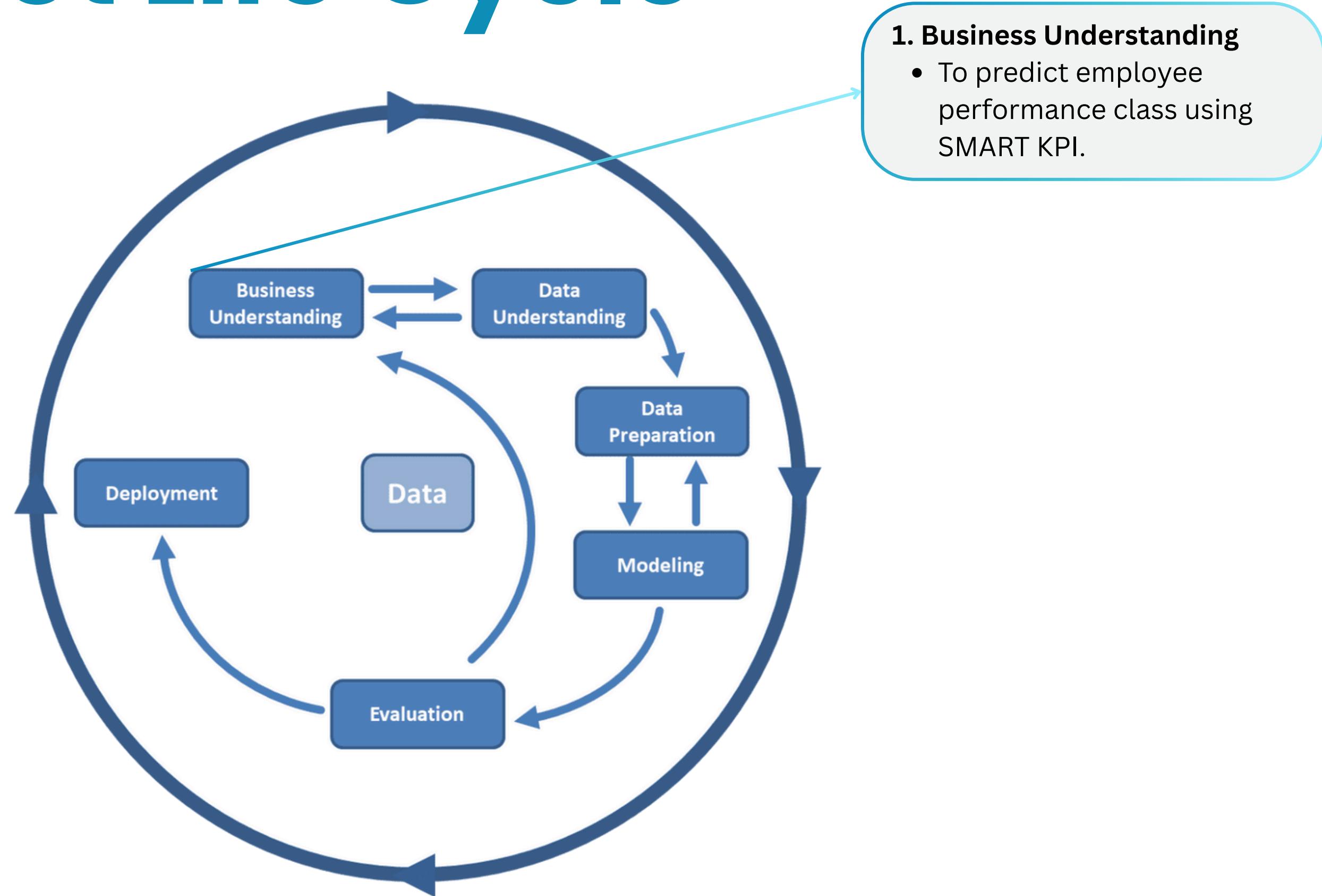
**Iteration 3:** Refinement

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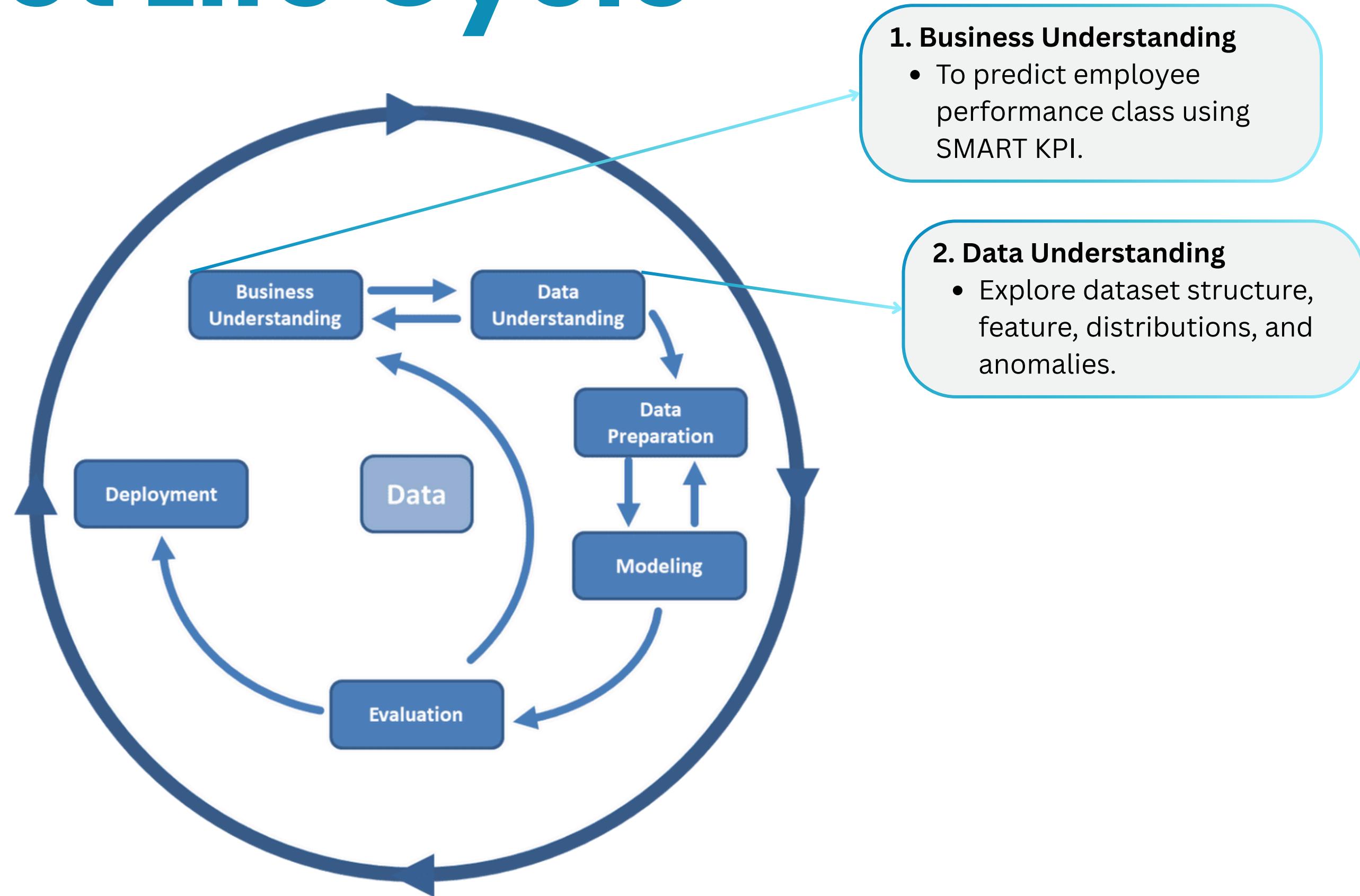
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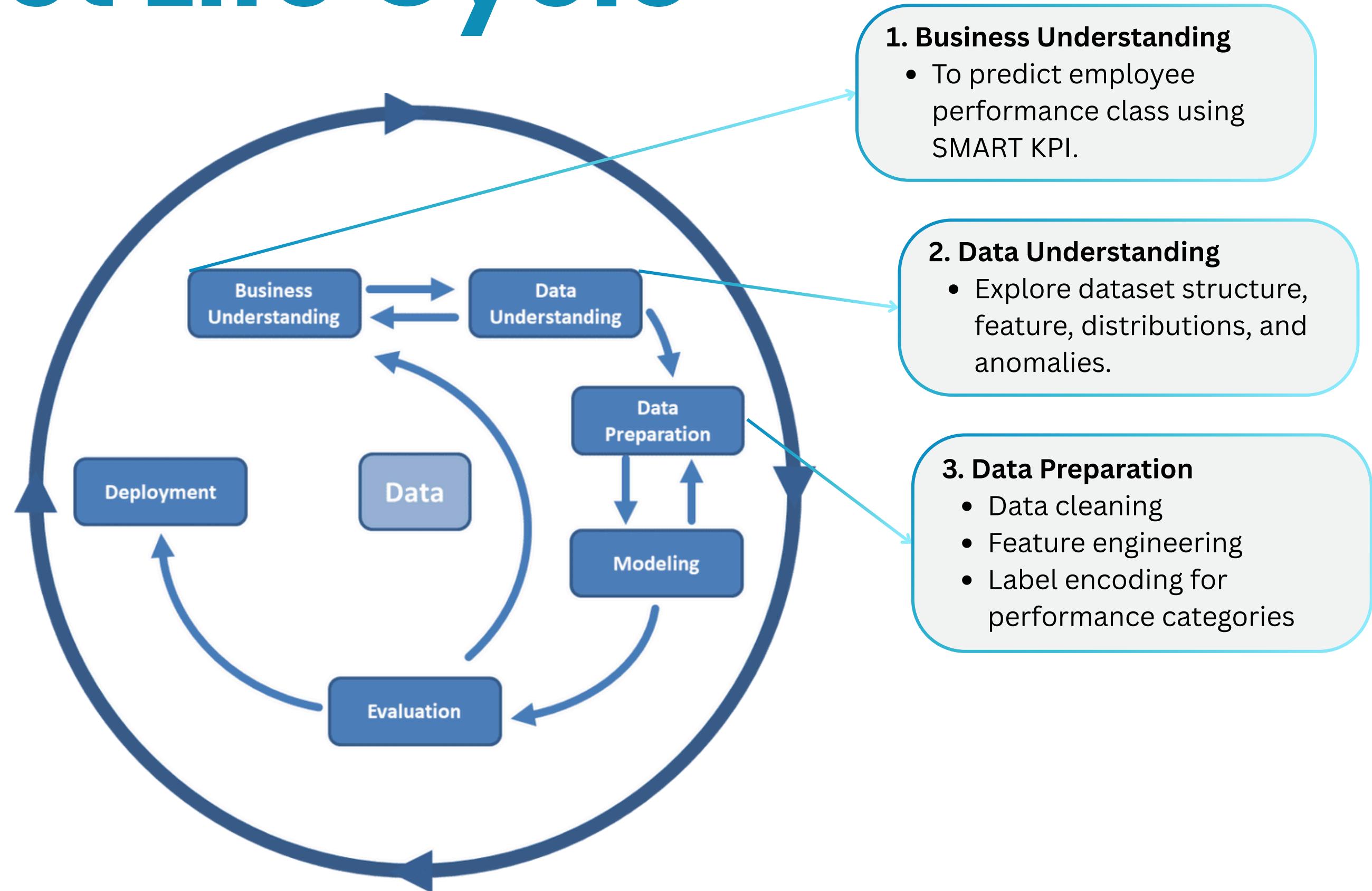
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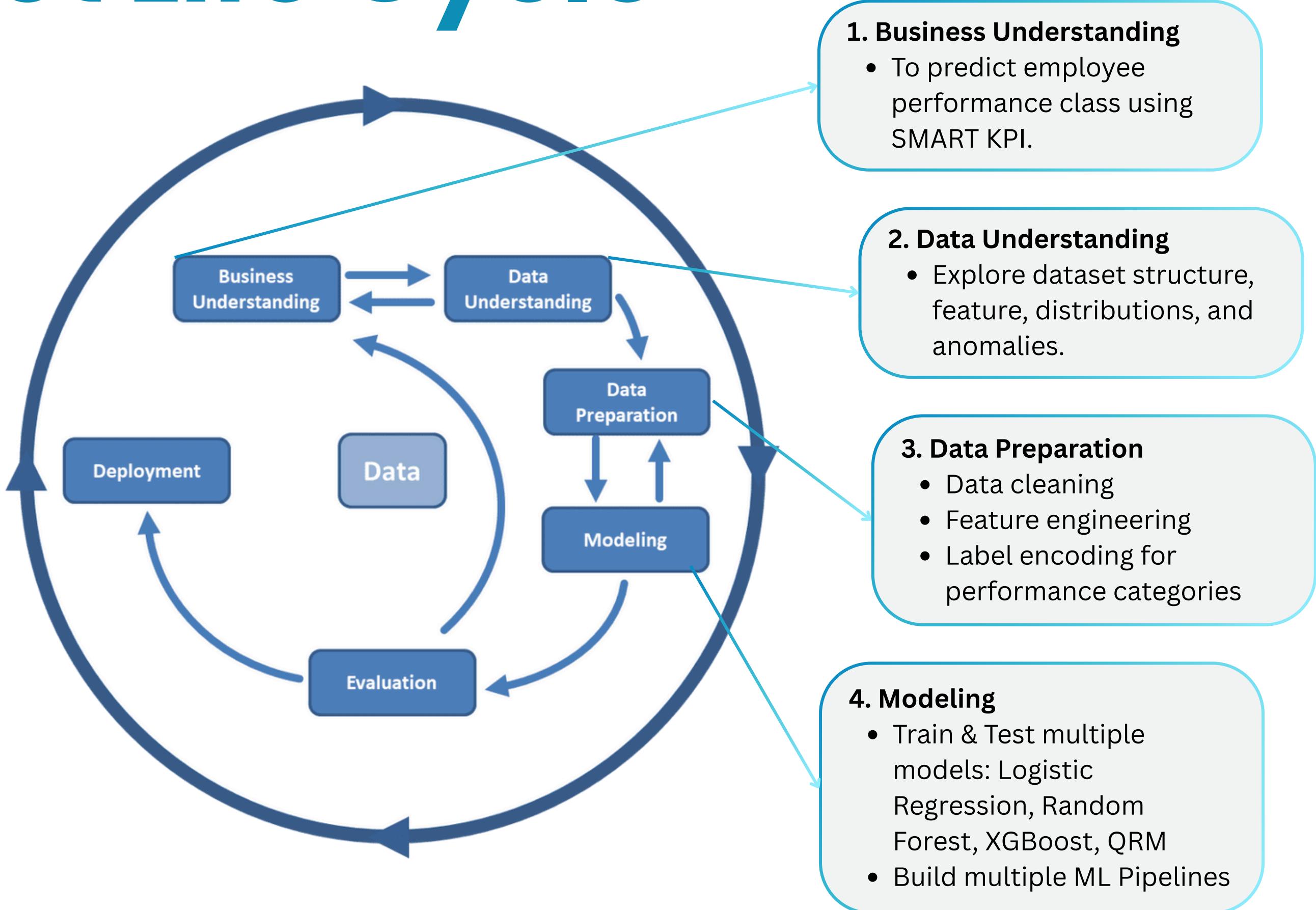
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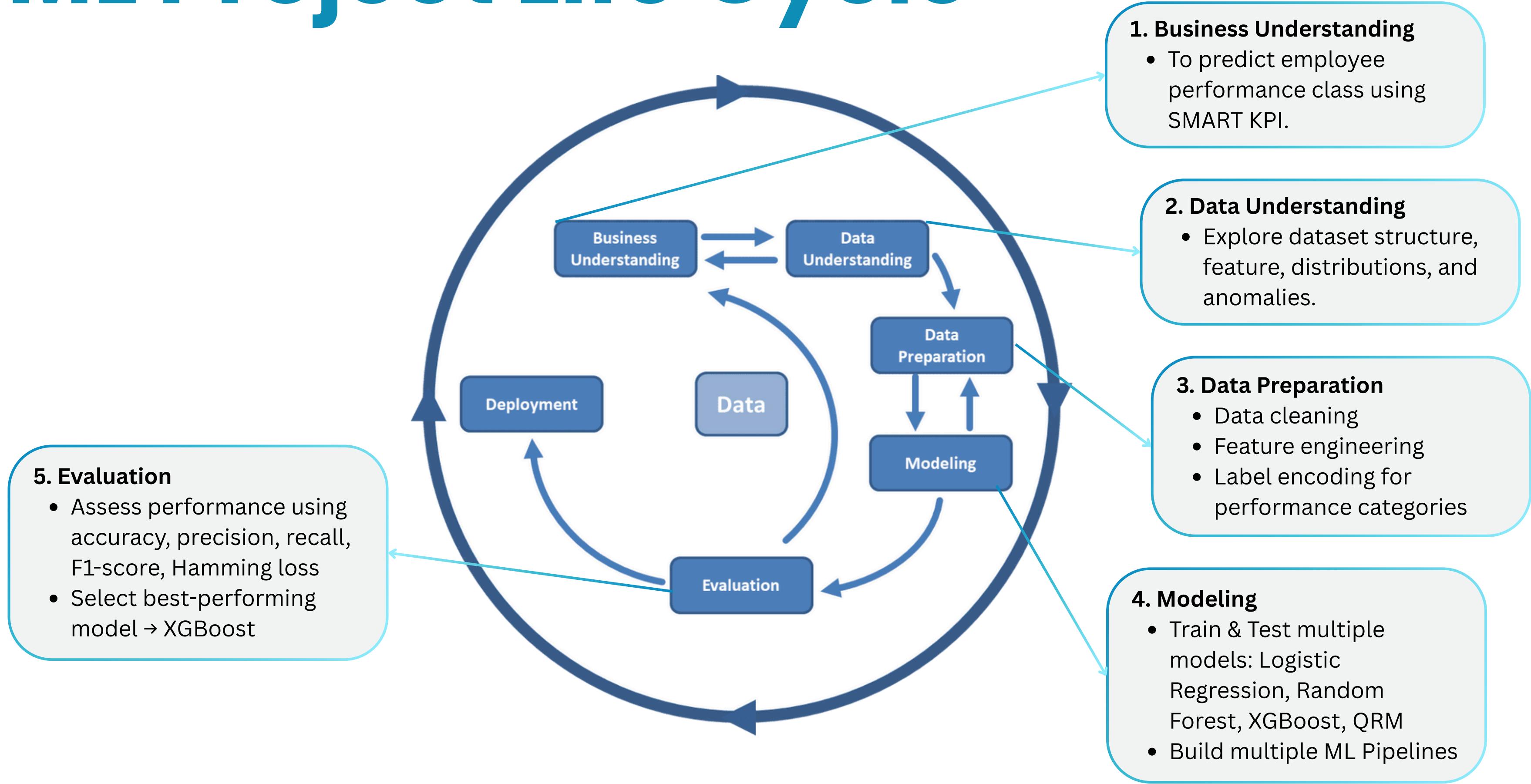
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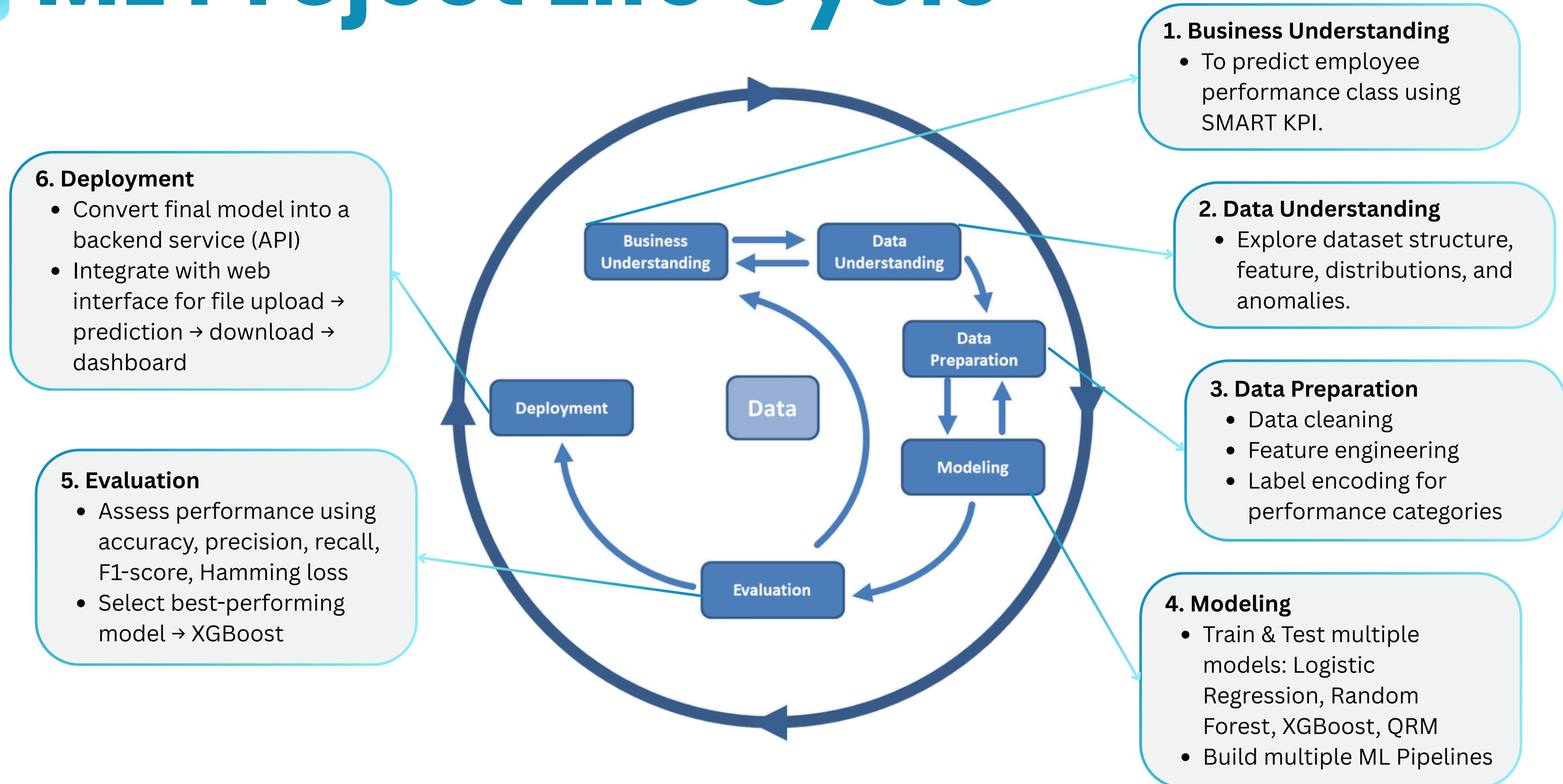
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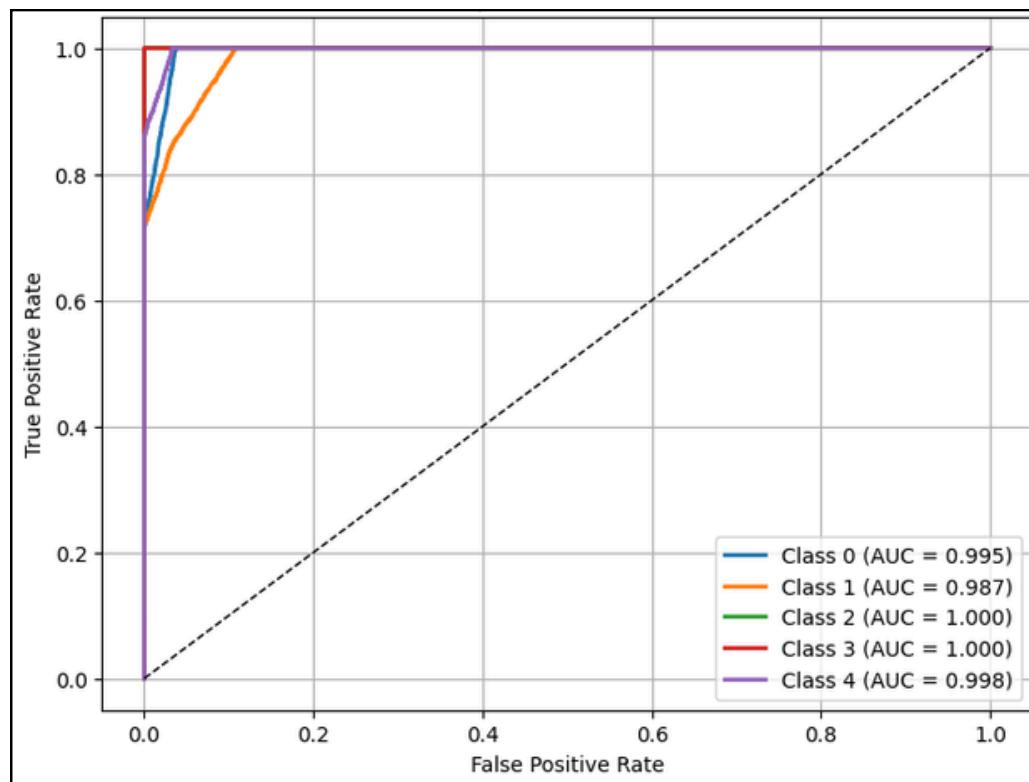
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# Why we Choose XGBoost?

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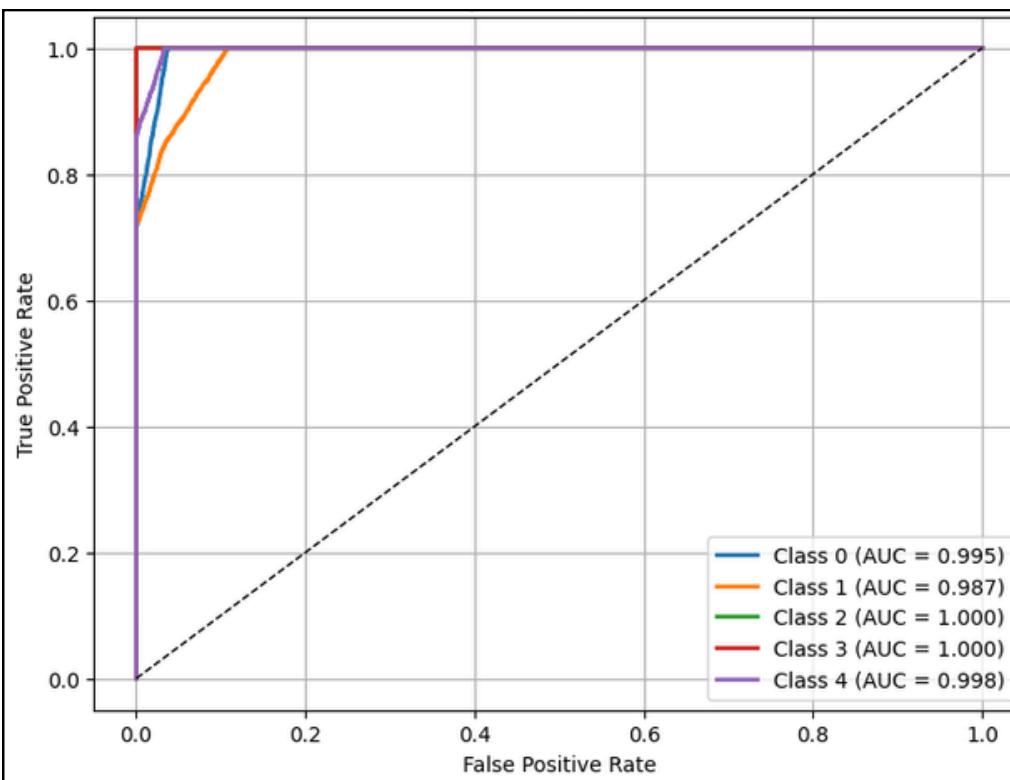
- Accuracy: 94.41%
- Very few misclassifications occur between adjacent performance levels
- Severe errors (e.g., Low → High) are minimal or absent

Actual label	0	1	2	3	4
0	4024	0	0	0	0
1	592	3146	0	0	265
2	0	0	4000	0	0
3	0	0	0	3938	0
4	0	290	0	0	3695
	0	1	2	3	4

Classification Report:				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.87	1.00	0.93	4024
1	0.92	0.79	0.85	4003
2	1.00	1.00	1.00	4000
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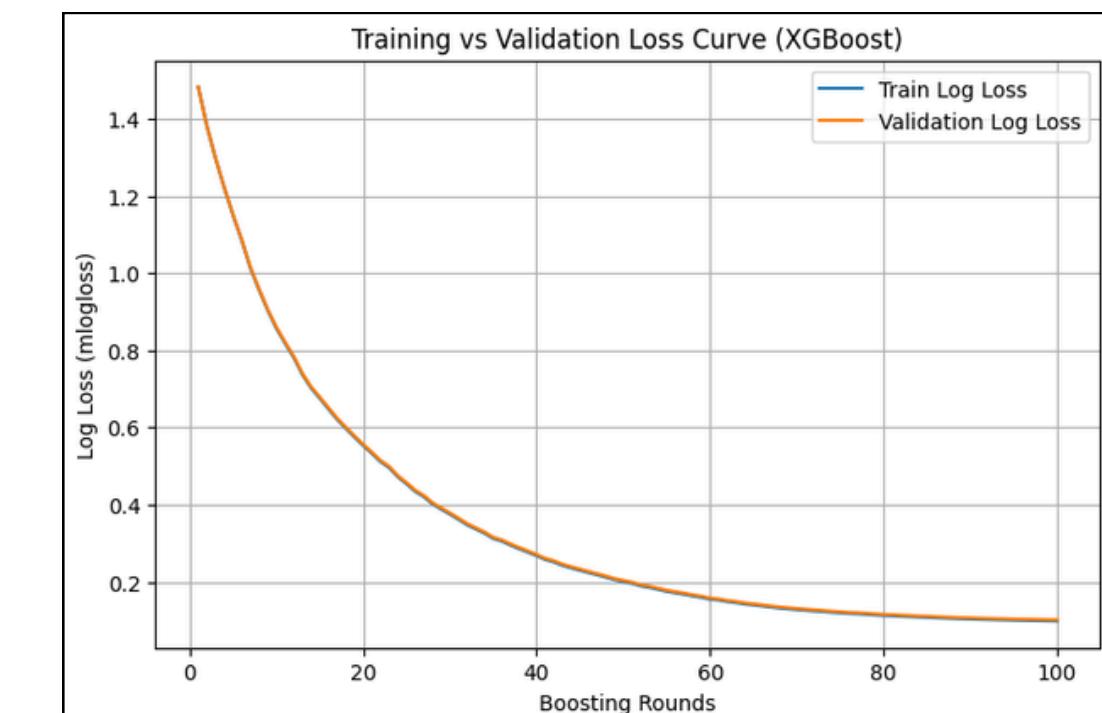
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## 3. Training vs Validation Loss (Model Stability)

- Training loss and validation loss decrease consistently over boosting rounds
- Both curves overlap closely, indicating:
  - No overfitting
  - No underfitting



XGBoost was selected because it achieves **near-perfect ROC-AUC scores**, **strong confusion matrix performance**, and **stable training-validation loss** behavior, ensuring **accurate and reliable performance prediction**.

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### Example:

#### Sheldon Cooper

- Projects\_Handled: 35
- Overtime\_Hours: 33
- Sick\_Days: 4
- Training\_Hours: 55
- Employee\_Satisfaction\_Score: 5
- Work\_Hours\_Per\_Week: 48
- Monthly\_Salary: RM6300

- Outputs five probabilities, one for each class.
- Class with the highest probability becomes the predicted performance rating.

Class	Probability
Low	0.02
Below Average	0.05
Average	0.05
Above Average	0.80 ← highest
High	0.08

Predicted Performance Class = “Above Average”

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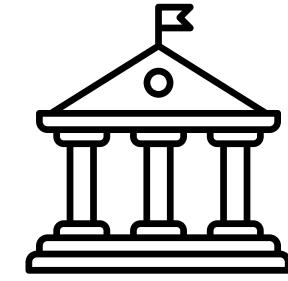


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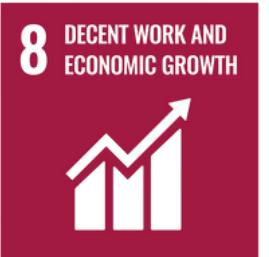


**Governance (G)**  
Transparent metrics and dashboard support accountable decision-making



## Social (S)

Objective ML-based performance evaluation reduces bias and improves fairness



A blurred background image shows several people in an office environment. In the foreground, a man in a light-colored shirt is looking down at his laptop. Behind him, two women are seated at their desks, also focused on their work. The office has a modern feel with large windows and a clean, organized layout.

# Thank You for Your Attention!