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The SAME Project:

A Cloud Native Approach to Reproducible Machine Learning

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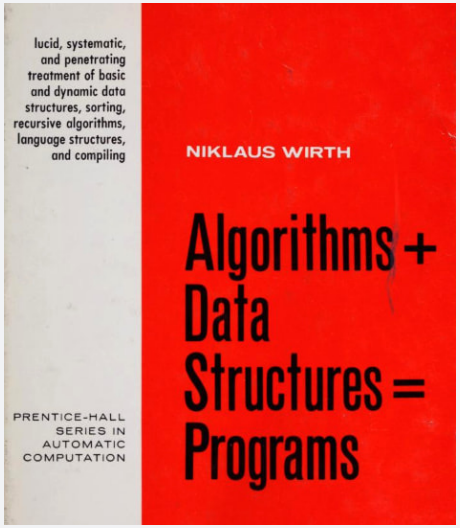
Definitions

- Terms in AI/ML are weird
  - **AI** = Artificial Intelligence
  - **ML** = Machine Learning
  - Experiment, Run, Pipeline, Job all have many varied definition (but often are synonymous)
- For this deck:
  - **Program** == Algorithms + Data Structures + Workflow
  - **Experiment** == Program + parameters for a *specific* execution (an instance of a program)
  - Any other terms are legacy
- I promise you I will get this wrong – feel free to raise your hand if/when I do ☺



ML is great!

PUE

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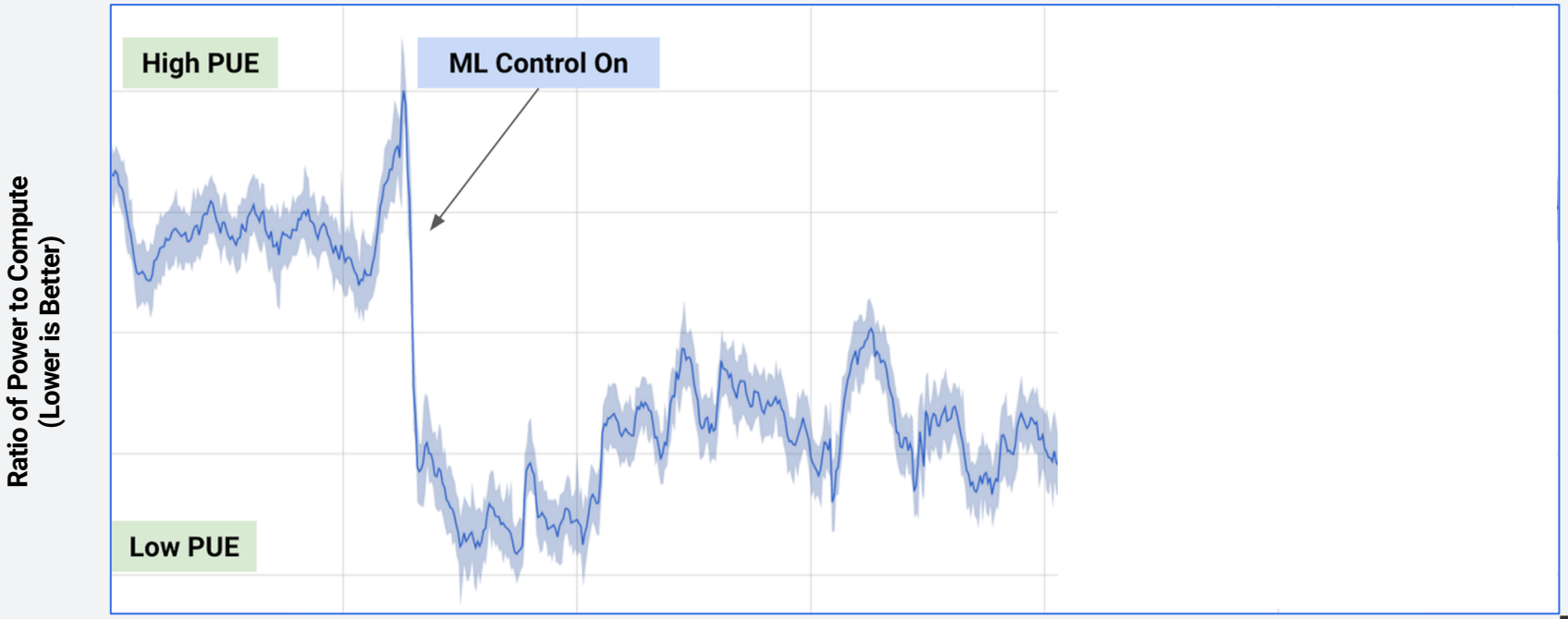

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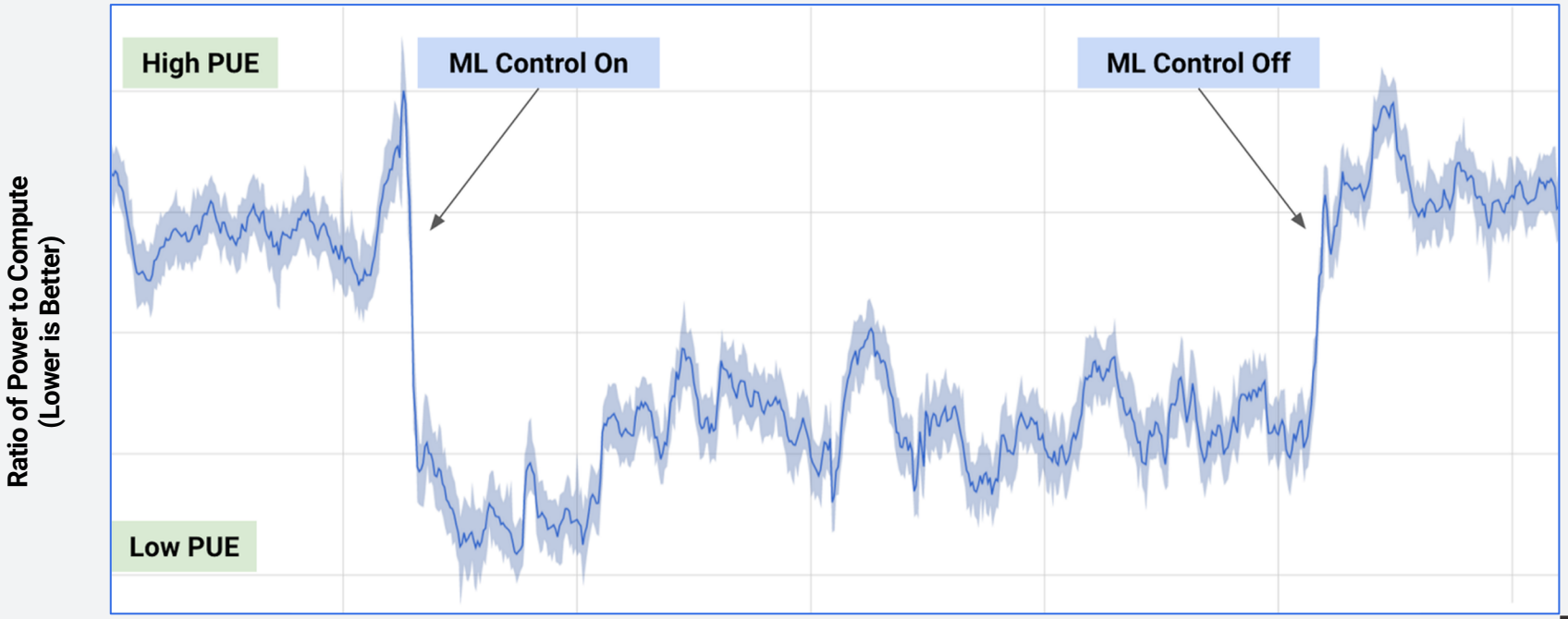
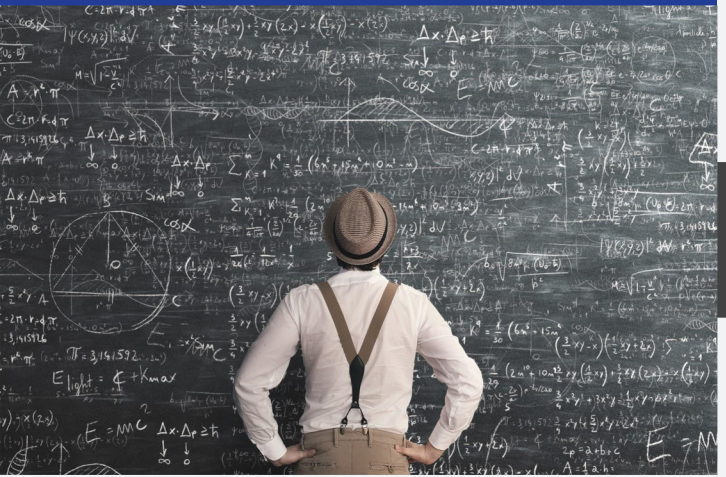


ML is hard!

Most folks



Lots of pain

Magical AI goodness

Feature Stores for ML

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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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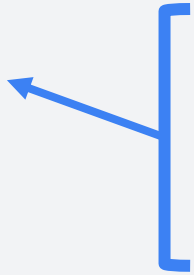
Users Have Two Options

DIY

- Set up from scratch
- Integrate with existing legacy systems
- Eventual need to migrate based on business needs

Proprietary Solution

- First 5 minutes? **YES**.
- **Next 5 years** …
  - Set it up from scratch
  - Integrate with legacy
  - Migrate based on business needs
- … plus lock-in!



Haven’t we heard this story before?

Containers & Kubernetes

Cloud Native Apps

So…

We Need
Cloud Native ML!

We Need Cloud Native ML?

Composability

Portability

Scalability

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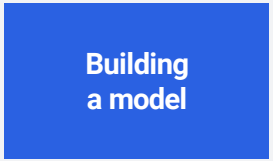
Composability

Building a model

Composability



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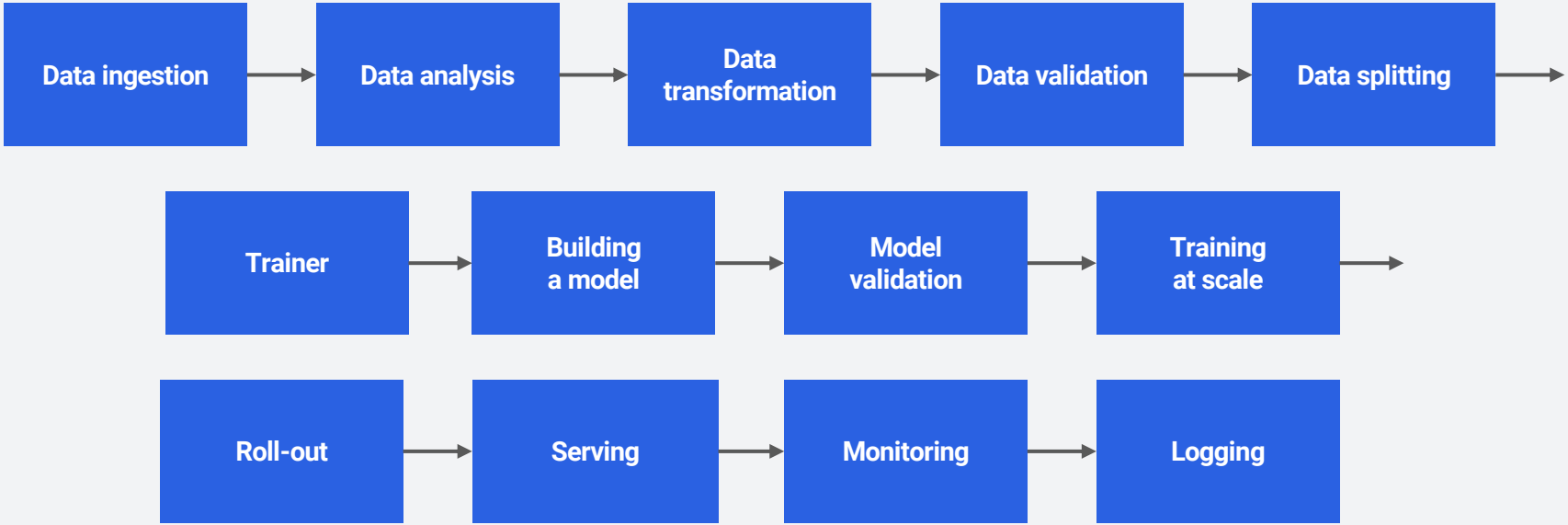

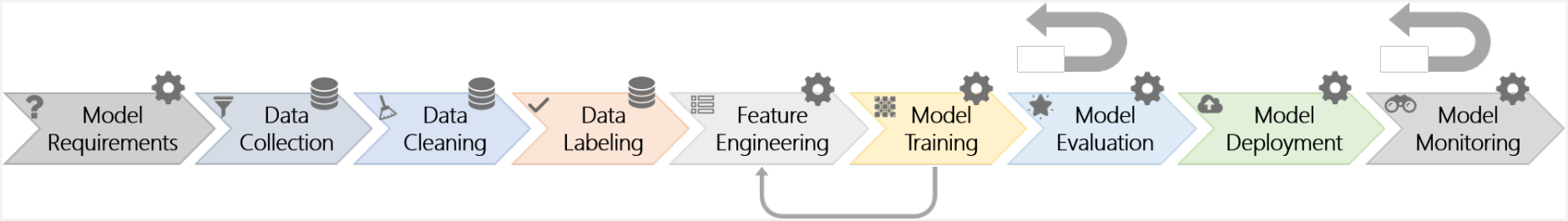

Number of unique tools reported per activity

18	44	35	9	34	58	24	48	13
OneNote (7)	Cosmos (15)	Python (14)	Custom (11)	Python (14)	TLC (17)	TLC (6)	Custom (6)	Custom (6)
Word (7)	Custom (8)	R (11)	UHRS (7)	R (9)	Python (14)	Aether (5)	AzureML (6)	AzureML (1)
PowerPoint (3)	Kusto (7)	Cosmos (10)	Excel (6)	AzureML (5)	CNTK (11)	Python (4)	Azure (4)	Docker (1)
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Jupyter (2)	Python (2)	Custom (3)	Cosmos (1)	C# (3)	Custom (8)	R (2)	TLC (3)	Cosmos (1)
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CNTK (1)	SSIS (2)	Kusto (2)		VSO (2)	R (4)	Jupyter (1)	QAS (3)	PowerBI (1)

2018 MSR Fragmentation Study: 159 Unique Tools

Portability

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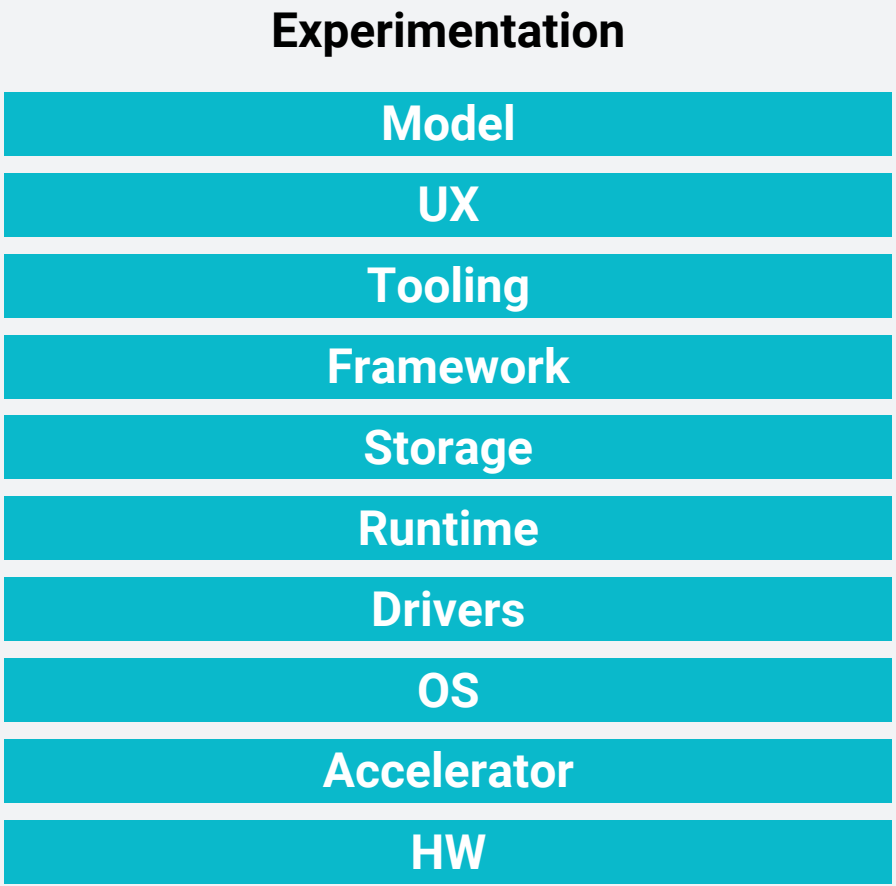

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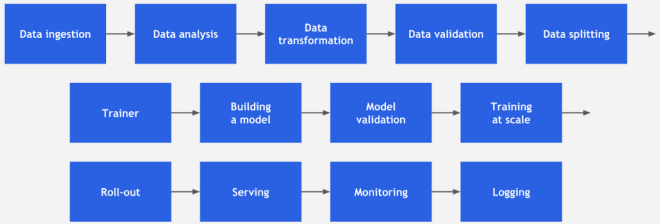

Experimentation

- Model
- UX
- Tooling
- Framework
- Storage
- Runtime
- Drivers
- OS
- Accelerator
- HW

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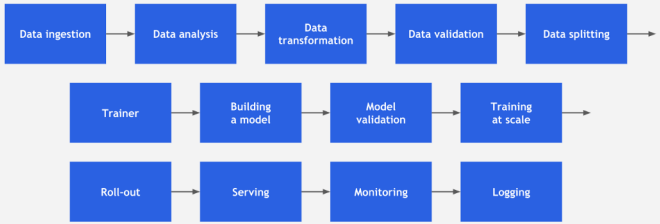

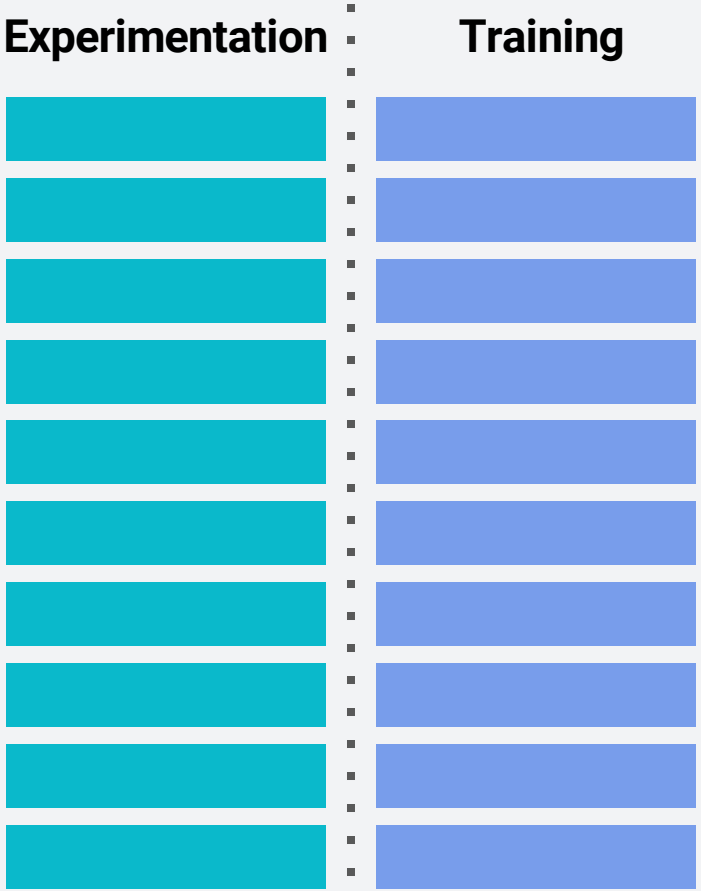

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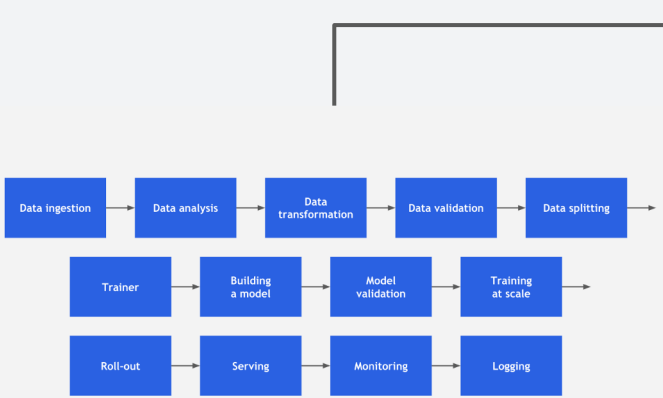
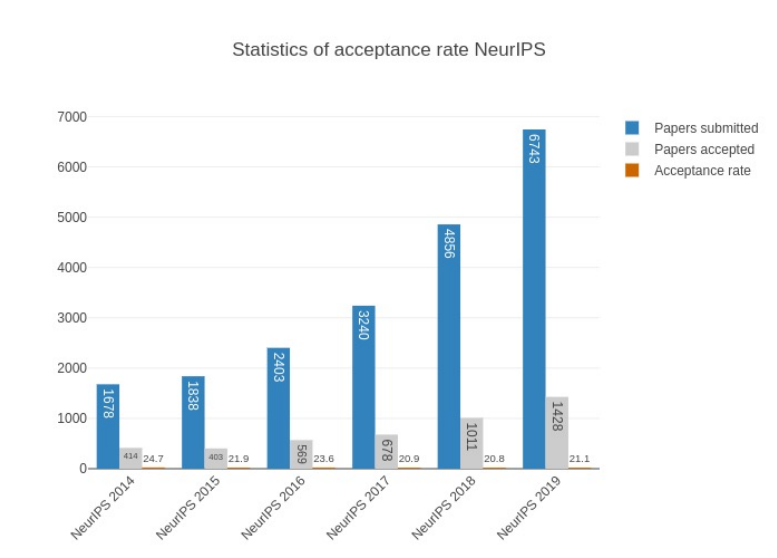


Scalability

- More infrastructure
  - Accelerators (GPU, TPU)
  - Cores/CPUs
  - Disk/networking
- More programs
  - 1000s+ of programs run simultaneously
  - 1000s+ historical runs to compare
  - 1Ms+ of papers published
- More collaboration
  - Skillsets (SWEs, data scientists)
  - Teams
  - Organizations



More programs, faster

Feature Stores for ML

Composability

Portability

Scalability

Feature Stores for ML

You know what's really good at composability, portability, and scalability?

Containers & Kubernetes

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except...

Oh, You Want to Use ML?

First, become an expert in:

- Containers
- Packaging
- Kubernetes service endpoints
- Persistent volumes
- Scaling
- Immutable deployments
- Service meshes
- GPUs, Drivers & the GPL
- Cloud APIs
- DevOps
- ...

Let's Build Something To Give Everyone Cloud Native ML

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Self Assembling
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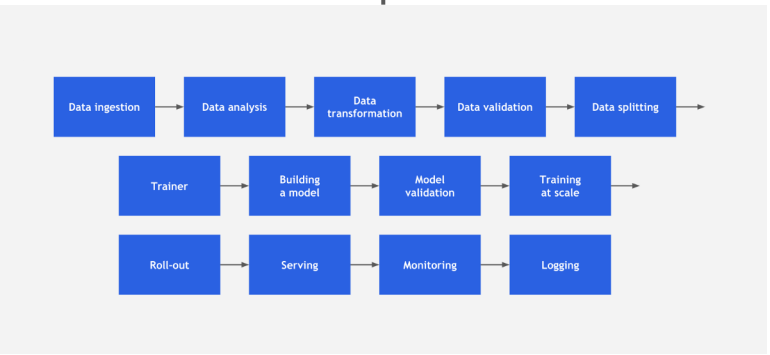
Experimentation
Training
Cloud
Data ingestion
Data analysis
Data transformation
Data validation
Data splitting
Trainer
Building a model
Model validation
Training at scale
Roll-out
Serving
Monitoring
Logging



Experimentation

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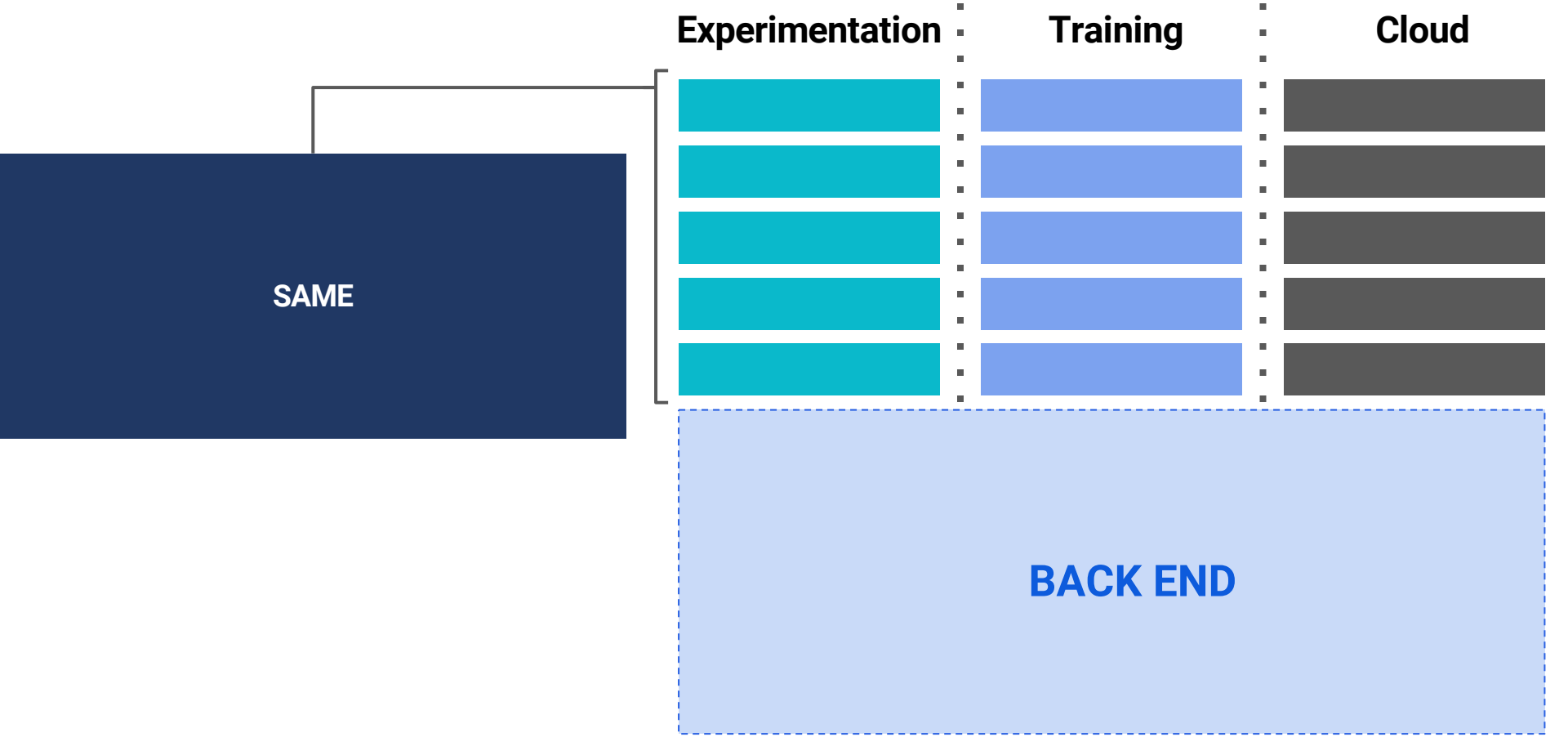
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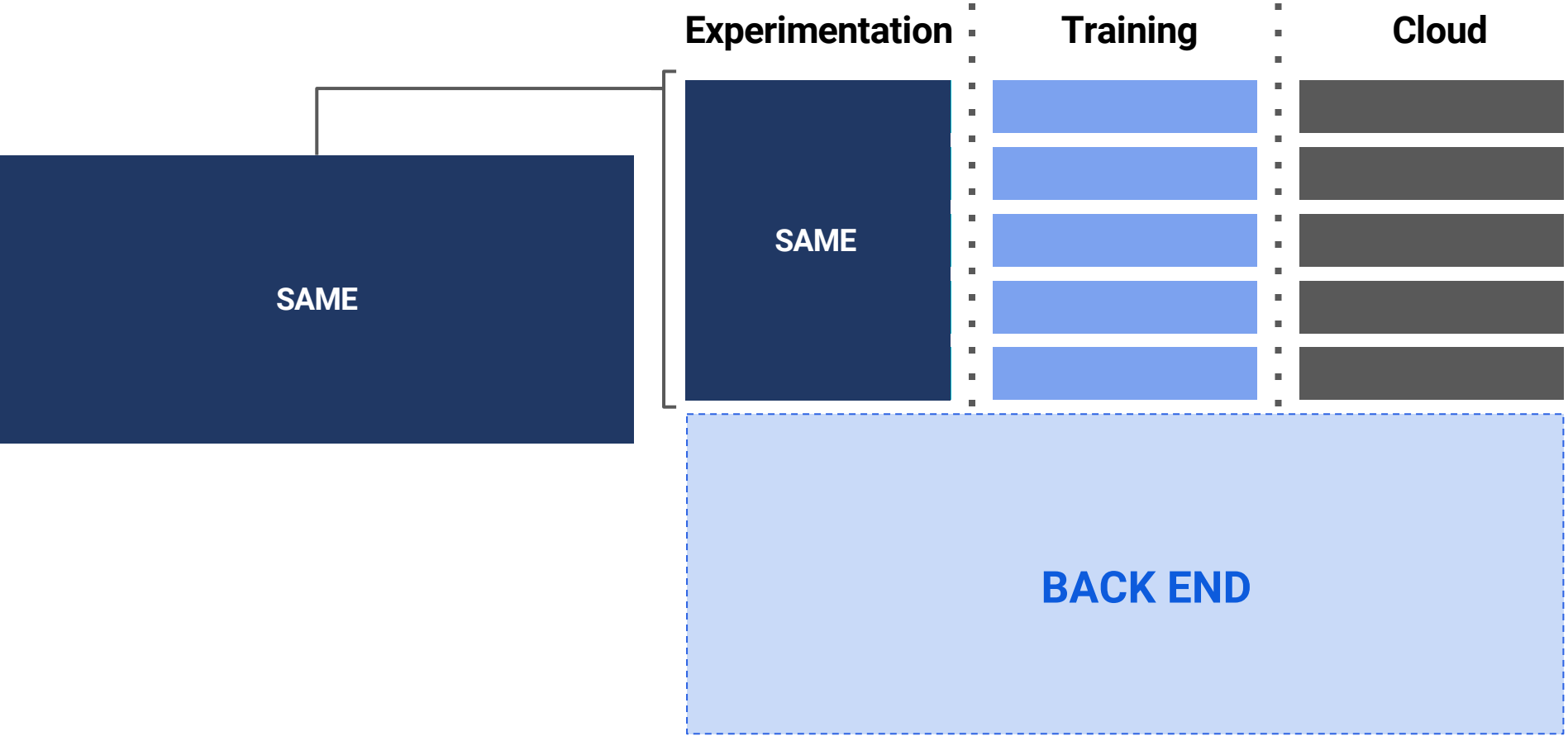
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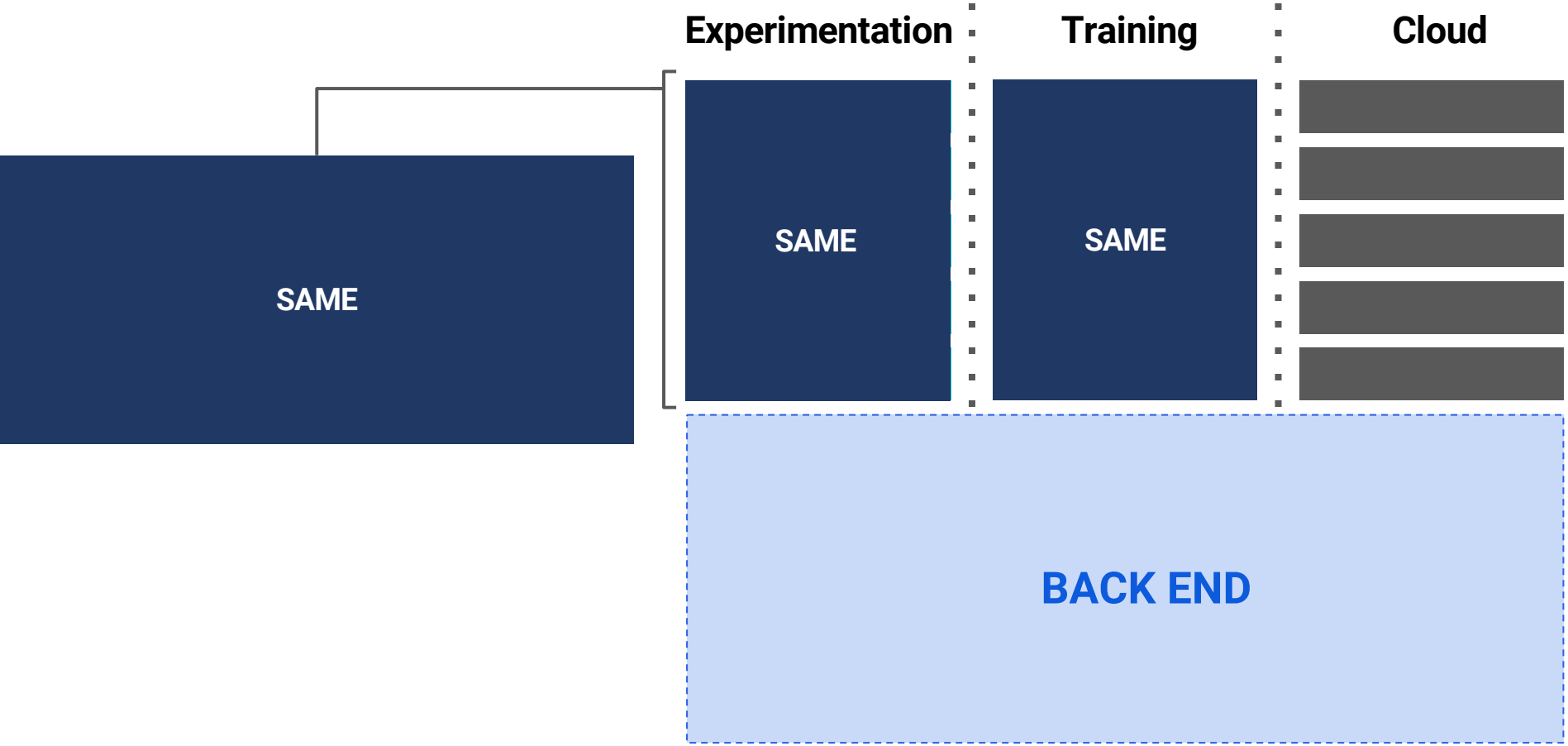
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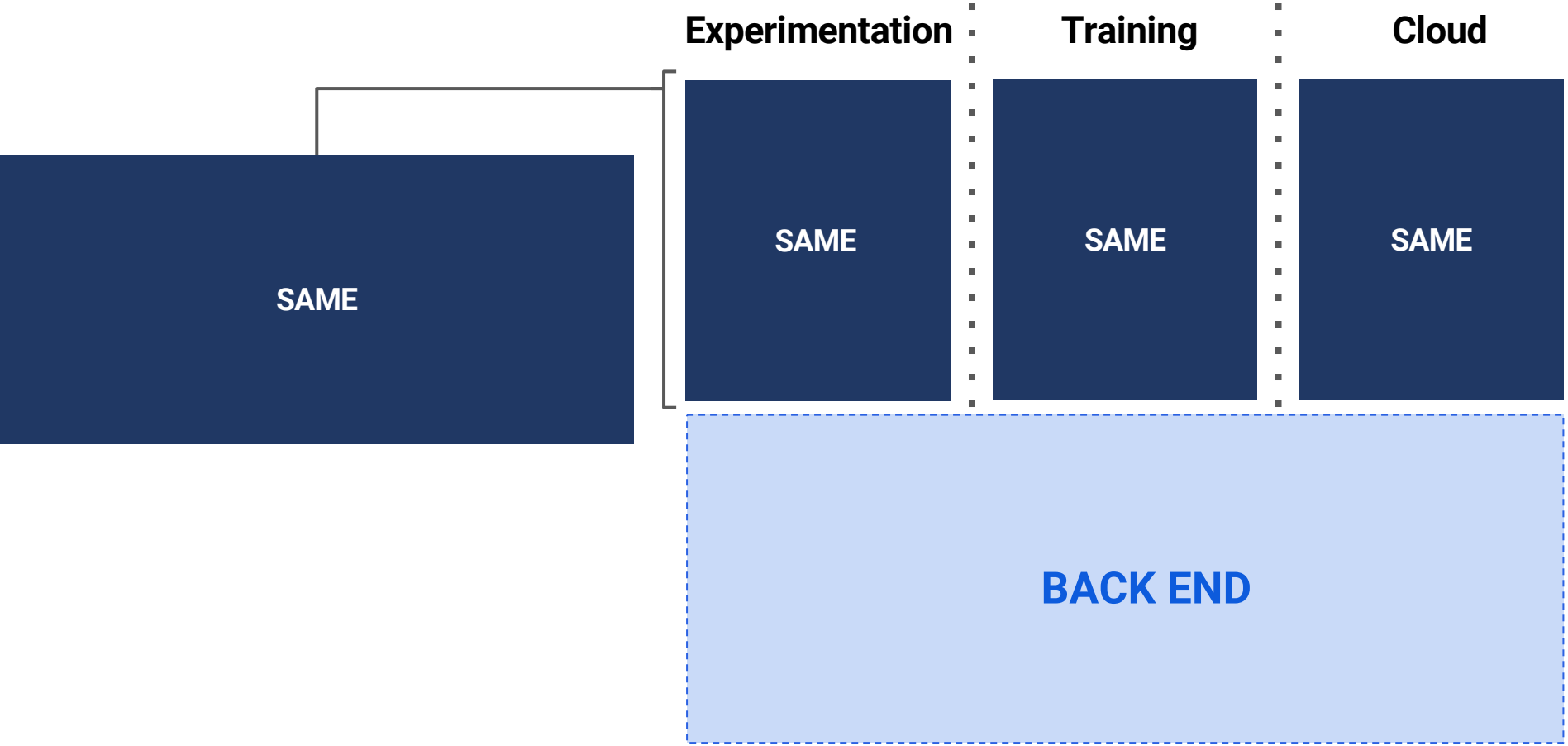
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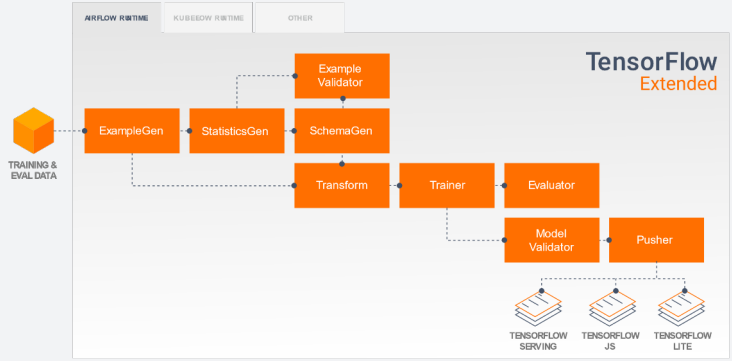
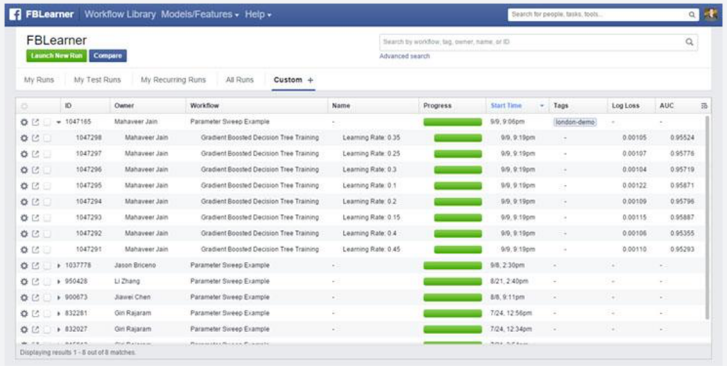
How Big Companies Solve This… Sort Of



TensorFlow Extended



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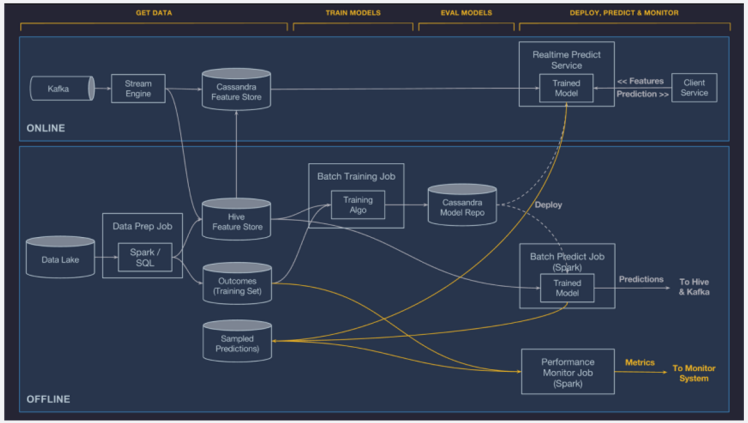

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Let's Solve It For Everyone!

Let's Up the Level of Difficulty

The Growth of Jupyter Notebooks

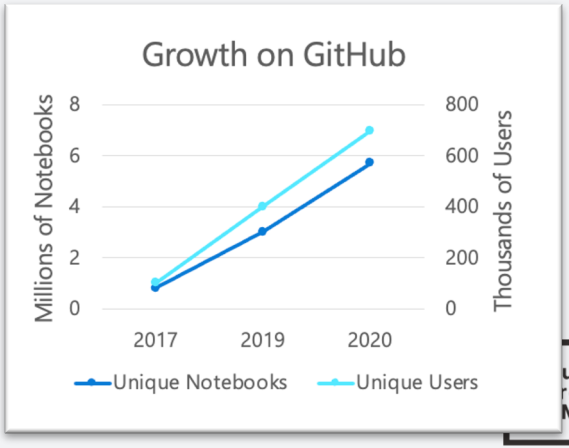
- Increasingly popular and broadly adopted tool for building applications

- Made up of:
  - A file format
  - An IDE
  - An execution kernel
  - An ecosystem of associated tools

- Significant growth and footprint
  - Initial opportunity: ~75% of ~6M "simple" notebooks written by ~700k+ users on GitHub
  - Next opportunity: ~2.1M data scientists and ML engineers

Why Jupyter is data scientists' computational notebook of choice

An improved architecture and enthusiastic user base are driving uptake of the open-source web tool.



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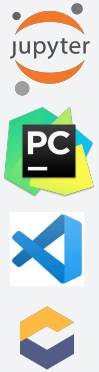

Data Scientist

Developer

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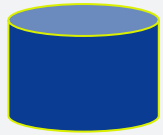

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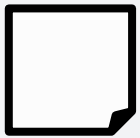

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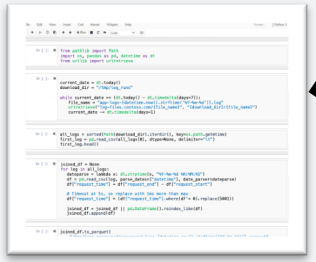

Hosting Platform

SAME Vision

Make is easy for notebook developers to build reliable workflow applications that can be developed locally and continuously deployed to production

Pillars

Make Notebooks Portable

Enable **environment portability** by serializing requirements and capturing environment details.

Support **platform portability** from laptop to hosted with adapters for popular backends.

Accelerated Path to Production via an SDK

Reduce boiler plate code reducing errors and improving performance

Simplify using **best practices** and **improve coding** for notebook developers.

Improve Pipeline Execution

Provide **declarative setup and execution** of end-to-end pipeline.

Deliver low dependency tooling that enable **continuous deployment.**

Leverage **managed services** when for cloud deployments.

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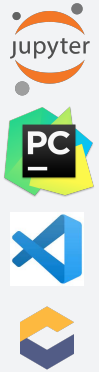

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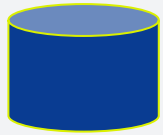

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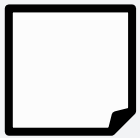

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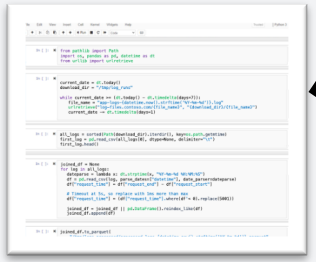

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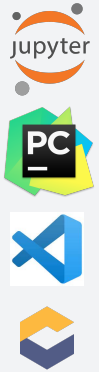
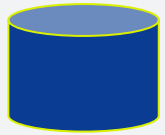


Data Scientist

- Faster inner loop
- Less boiler plate
- Simplified best practices

- Limiting manual rewrites
- Captures data scientist intent
- Higher velocity deployment

- One toolchain for multiple platforms
- Native 12-factor app support
- Immutable deployments enable security/cost controls



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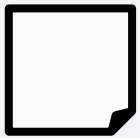

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DEMO

Demo Summary

Make Notebooks Portable

- Prevented missing packages & errors
- Serialized environment
- Captured settings which are not included in any existing package solution

Accelerated Path to Production via an SDK

- Declarative configuration checked in with code
- No complicated (and hard to debug) control flow
- Dependency-less CLI that can be installed and used in any DevOps platform

Improve Pipeline Execution

- Simplified monolithic breakup enabling caching and individual resource requests
- Use pre-built environments without dealing with Dockerfiles
- Portable fan-out/fan-in without dealing with futures/concurrency

Sample SAME Manifest

```yaml
apiVersion: projectsame.io/v1alpha1
metadata:
    name: TacosvBurritos
    sha: ac99ce598c5ede9129e43435cd23c914990e
    version: 1.0.4
base:
    - base
envfiles:
    - .env
resources:
    disks:
    - name: data_disk
      size: 10Gi
      volumeMount:
        mountPath: "/mnt/data_disk"
        name: volume
    - name: model_disk
      size: 10Gi
      volumeMount:
        mountPath: "/mnt/model_disk"
        name: volume
```

```yaml
workflow:
  kubeflowVersion: 1.2
  services:
    - tensorflow:2.1
    - pytorch:1.8
    - katib:3.1
pipeline:
    name: "TvB_pipeline"
    package: "/src/work/tvb.py"
datasets:
    - name: "Survival_Data"
      url: "https://data.contoso.com/datasets/titanic.csv"
      sha: a4e2347c16c327c20bf4841eb517f455
    - name: "UserInfo"
      url: mysql://mysql.contoso.com:3306
      table: user_info
      sha: 35c13b44095ca916f33ef846eb32d4eb
run:
    name: "My Run"
    sha: b26eb0f00afa81c435a1e0535e5b401c
    parameters:
        epochs: 300
        batch_size: 100
```

Feature Stores for ML

Customer Feedback

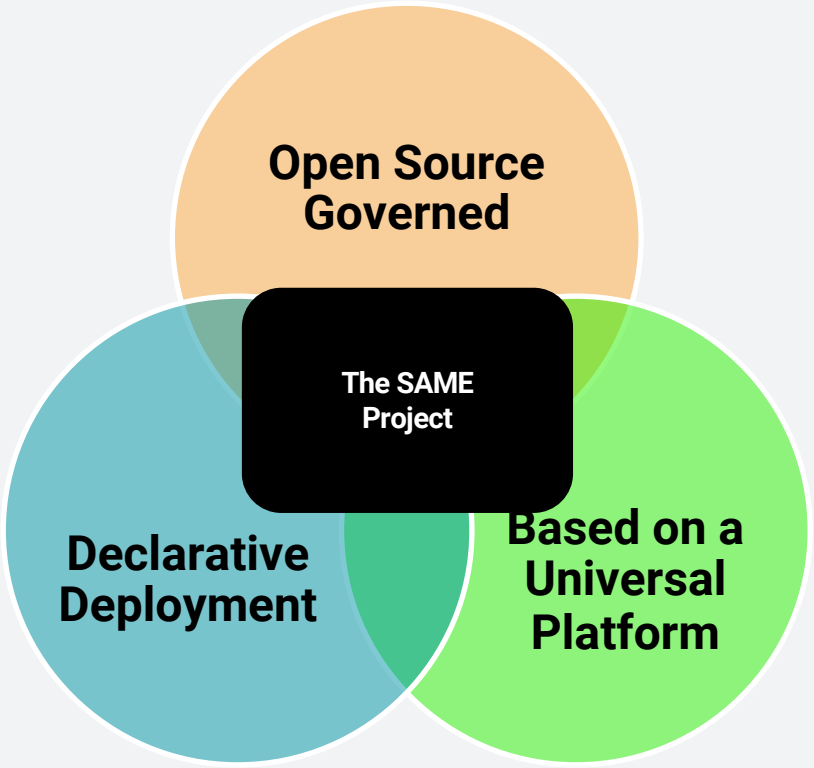
- "We still have to do a lot of work to stitch together all of the artifacts that make up that point in time version of the model (raw data, annotated data, python libraries and versions, training parameters, training metrics, model binaries, etc.)." – **Head of ML at Large Consulting Company**

- "SAME isn't just useful across organizations, it's useful INSIDE an organization for tracking over time" – **SWE, Cloud Engineering**

- "We're looking for reusable experiments; infrastructure and workflows as code. We'll build it ourselves, but we don't want to." – **Head of ML, Retail**

- "I don't want the data scientist to think about infrastructure or platforms. Based on the experiment, everything should automatically provision" – **ML Lead, Storage Infra Co**

Center of the Venn Diagram



What YOU Can Do

1. Come join our community
   - Website – https://sameproject.org (or https://s9t.io if you're lazy)
   - Mail - https://aka.ms/same-group
   - Slack - https://aka.ms/SAMEProjectSlack
2. Come talk to us about YOUR needs
   - We're looking for key folks to co-develop this with
   - It's not going to be production ready for O(months), but the underlying components ARE production ready
   - Just gathering info helps too!
3. Come join our repo!
   - https://github.com/same-project/same-cli
   - Try it out (build instructions included)
   - Complain about missing features
   - EXPERTS ONLY: Add your own

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Thank you!

Do you have any questions?

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