

**Niemand macht  
gerne Data  
Governance - lassen  
wir es doch die AI  
machen**



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I am Jochen

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- 💪 *Software Engineering*
- 👍 *Data Mesh & Data Contracts*
- 😄 *Data-driven Decisions*



# Agenda

1. Classic Data Governance
2. Morden Data Governance
3. Demo: AI-based Data Governance
4. Technical Details: Spring AI

Disclaimer:

For demonstrations, will work with Data Mesh Manager



# Data Governance



# What is Data Governance

**Means**

**People**

**Processes**

**Tools**

**Ensure**

**Integrity**

**Quality**

**Security**

**Usability**

**Goal**

**Trust in Data**

# The Reality



# Canonical Data Modeling

- Wish to have one enterprise-wide valid data model
- Business knowledge & details gets lost
- Disconnected Ownership
- Hard to change / slow

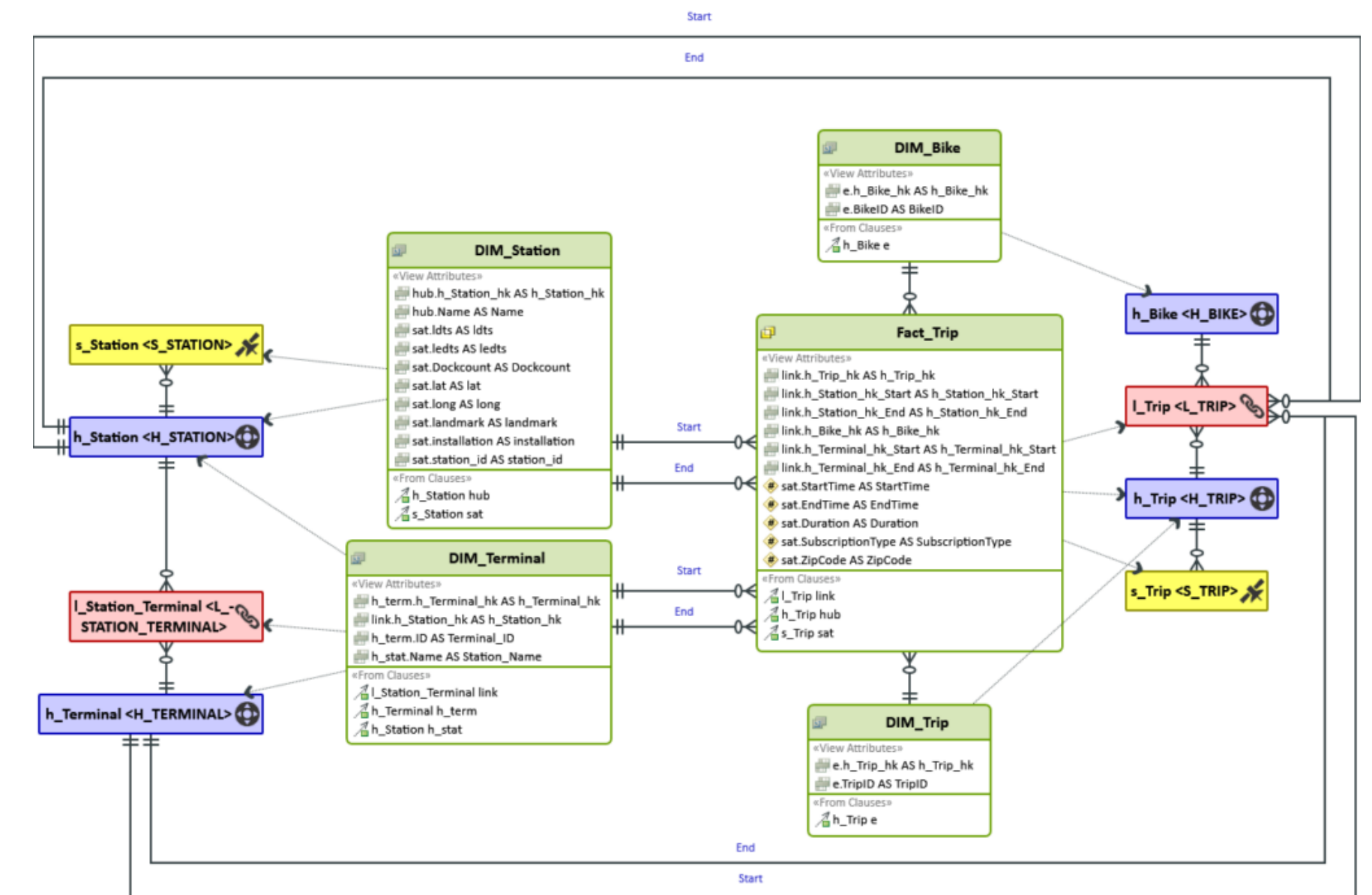


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**Data Governance got lost in data modeling,  
but got disconnected from business and IT teams**

# Bureaucracy

- Lots of policies in Word documents, not using the language of business, nor developers
- Forms and JIRA Tickets
- Manual Processes
- Manual Approvals

DATA ACCESS REQUEST FORM	
<b>REQUESTER INFORMATION</b>	
Name:	
Organization/ Company:	
Department/ Unit:	
Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
<b>DATA ACCESS DETAILS</b>	
Type of Data Requested:	
Purpose of Data Access:	
<b>SCOPE OF ACCESS</b>	
Select One: <input type="checkbox"/> Full Access <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Access (Please Specify Restrictions): _____	
<b>DATA SENSITIVITY</b>	
Select One: <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Sensitive	
<b>JUSTIFICATION FOR ACCESS</b>	
<b>DURATION OF ACCESS</b>	
Start Date:	
End Date:	
<b>Approval:</b> I hereby request access to the specified data as outlined above.	
Requester's Name: _____	
Signature: _____ Date: _____	
<b>Note:</b> Please submit this form to the appropriate data management or IT department within your organization for review and approval. Once approved, you will be granted access to the requested data according to the specified terms and conditions.	

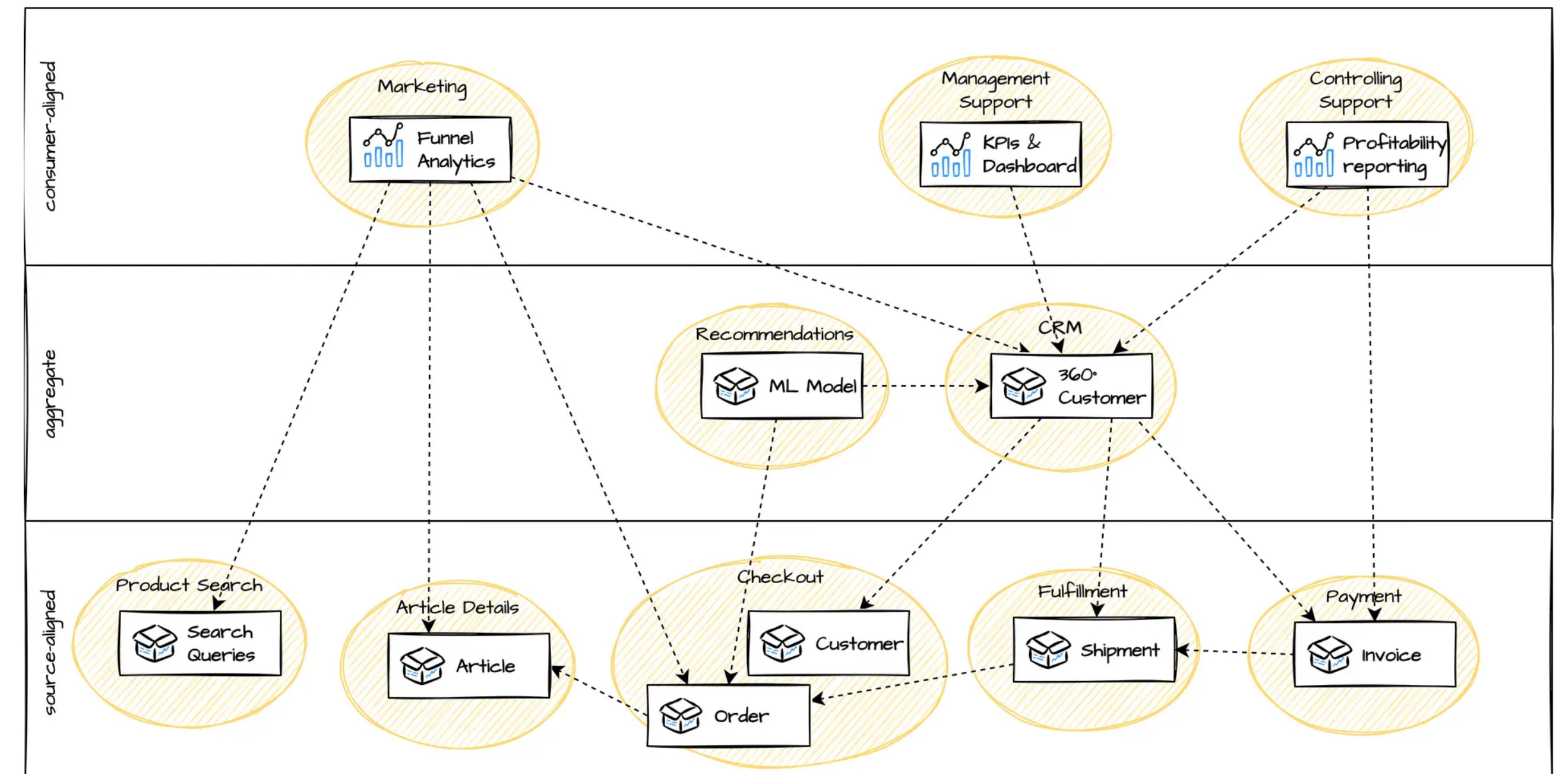
**Data Governance became a bottleneck (not enabler),  
with rather negative reputation**



# New Challenges

# New Challenges

- **Decentralization (Product Teams, Data Mesh, ...)**
  - Ownership & teams
  - Systems & technologies
  - Data models in bounded contexts
- **The Raise of AI**
  - Engine for innovations



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**Data is exchanged across business & IT teams**



# Modern Data Governance

# Federated Computational Data Governance

## Responsibility

### Data Product Owner

Data is owned decentralized by business & IT experts where data is generated  
Product owners are responsible for what happens with their data

## Concepts

### Data Contracts

Define the syntax, semantics, quality, and terms of use as YAML

### Data Marketplace

Data discovery with a self-service access request workflow

### Global Policies

The conventions and rules of play for data on the data platform

## Automation

### Contract Enforcement

Test that data products correctly implement the data contract

### Automated Permission Granting

Give table access based on access request approvals

### AI-based Policy Checking

Check that policies are correctly adopted by data product owners



# Data Contracts

# Data Contract: Schema + Semantics + Quality

```
dataContractSpecification: 0.9.1
id: web-orders-with-consent-v1
info:
  title: Web Orders With Consent V1
  version: 1.0.0
  description: "All orders made through the web channel.\r\nFiltered for orders where customers have expressed consent for analytical use."
  owner: checkout
  contact:
    url: https://teams.example.com/datacontracts/web-orders-with-consent-v1
terms:
  usage: "The data can be used for analytical and data science use cases, as the customer has expressed their consent."
  limitations: "As the dataset is filtered, these data set cannot be used to aggregate financial KPIs.\r\nNot suited for real-time use cases."
  billing: $1000 per month
  noticePeriod: P3M
models:
  orders:
    type: table
    description: A successful sale in the web shop
    fields:
      order_id:
        type: string
        description: Primary key of the order
      billing_customer_id:
        type: string
        description: Customer ID of the billing customer
      shipment_customer_id:
        type: string
        description: Customer ID of customer to ship the order to
      sold_timestamp:
        type: timestamp_tz
        description: The timestamp of the final confirmation step in the web form.
      total_amount:
        type: bigint
        description: The total order amount in the smallest unit of the currency (such as Eurocents)
```

- API for Datasets
- Written by domain experts
- Made implicit knowledge explicit
- Machine-readable

# Data Model

```
models:
  orders:
    description: One record per order. Includes cancelled and deleted orders.
    type: table
    fields:
      order_id:
        title: Order ID
        type: text
        format: uuid
        description: An internal ID that identifies an order in the online shop.
        example: 243c25e5-a081-43a9-aeab-6d5d5b6cb5e2
        pii: true
        classification: restricted
        required: true
        unique: true
        primary: true
      order_timestamp:
        description: The business timestamp in UTC when payment was successful.
        type: timestamp
        required: true
        example: "2024-09-09T08:30:00Z"
      order_total:
        description: Total amount the smallest monetary unit (e.g., cents).
        type: long
```



# Quality

order\_total:

description: Total amount the smallest monetary unit (e.g., cents).

type: long

required: true

examples:

- 9999

quality:

- type: text

- description: 95% of all order total values are expected to be between 10 and 499 EUR.

# Quality

order\_total:

description: Total amount the smallest monetary unit (e.g., cents).

type: long

required: true

examples:

- 9999

quality:

- type: sql

description: 95% of all order total values are expected to be between 10 and 499 EUR.

query: |

SELECT quantile\_cont(order\_total, 0.95) AS percentile\_95

FROM orders

mustBeBetween: [1000, 49900]

# Lineage

```
customer_email_address:
  description: The email address, as entered by the customer.
  type: text
  format: email
  required: true
  pii: true
  classification: sensitive
  quality:
    - type: text
      description: The email address is not verified and may be invalid.
  lineage:
    inputFields:
      - namespace: com.example.service.checkout
        name: checkout_db.orders
        field: email_address
```



# Terms & Conditions

terms:

usage: "The data can be used for analytical and data science use cases, as the customer has expressed their consent."

limitations: |

As the dataset is filtered, these data set cannot be used to aggregate financial KPIs.

Not suited for real-time use cases.

billing: \$1000 per month

noticePeriod: P3M

# Service Levels

```
servicelevels:  
  availability:  
    description: The server is available during support hours  
    percentage: 99.9%  
  retention:  
    description: Data is retained for one year  
    period: P1Y  
    unlimited: false  
  frequency:  
    description: Data is delivered once a day  
    type: batch  
    cron: 0 0 * * *  
  support:  
    description: The data is available during typical business hours at headquarters  
    time: 9am to 5pm in EST on business days  
    responseTime: 1h  
  backup:  
    description: Data is backed up once a week, every Sunday at 0:00 UTC.  
    interval: weekly  
    cron: 0 0 * * 0  
    recoveryTime: 24 hours  
    recoveryPoint: 1 week
```

# Servers (Physical Endpoints)

```
servers:  
  production:  
    type: BigQuery  
    project: acme_sales_prod  
    dataset: orders_latest_pii_v1
```



# Contract Testing

```
$ datacontract test datacontract.yaml
```

# Data Contract CLI



import

```
dataContractSpecification: 0.9.3
id: urn:datacontract:orders-latest
info:
  title: Orders Latest
  version: 1.0.0
models:
  orders:
    type: table
    fields:
      order_id:
        type: text
        format: uuid
```

datacontract.yaml



diff

export



test



# Data Contract Testing

jochen — -zsh

[jochen@Jochens-MacBook-Pro-2 ~ % datacontract test https://datacontract.com/examples/orders-latest/datacontract.yaml  
Testing <https://datacontract.com/examples/orders-latest/datacontract.yaml>

Result	Check	Field	Details
passed	Check that JSON has valid schema	orders	All JSON entries are valid.
passed	Check that JSON has valid schema	line_items	All JSON entries are valid.
passed	Check that field order_id is present	orders	
passed	Check that field order_timestamp is present	orders	
passed	Check that field order_total is present	orders	
passed	Check that field customer_id is present	orders	
passed	Check that field customer_email_address is present	orders	
passed	Check that field processed_timestamp is present	orders	
passed	row_count >= 5	orders	
passed	Check that required field order_id has no null values	orders.order_id	
passed	Check that unique field order_id has no duplicate values	orders.order_id	
passed	duplicate_count(order_id) = 0	orders.order_id	
passed	Check that required field order_timestamp has no null values	orders.order_timestamp	
passed	Check that required field order_total has no null values	orders.order_total	
passed	Check that required field customer_email_address has no null values	orders.customer_email_address	
passed	Check that required field processed_timestamp has no null values	orders.processed_timestamp	
passed	Check that field lines_item_id is present	line_items	
passed	Check that field order_id is present	line_items	
passed	Check that field sku is present	line_items	
passed	values in (order_id) must exist in orders (order_id)	line_items.order_id	
passed	row_count >= 5	line_items	
passed	Check that required field lines_item_id has no null values	line_items.lines_item_id	
passed	Check that unique field lines_item_id has no duplicate values	line_items.lines_item_id	

data contract is valid. Run 23 checks. Took 6.776398 seconds.

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✖ Change column name #11

🏠 Summary

Jobs

✖ checkBreakingChanges

Run details

🕒 Usage

📄 Workflow file

checkBreakingChanges

failed 5 days ago in 7s

🔍 Search logs



- > ✓ Set up job1s
- > ✓ Run actions/checkout@v41s
- > ✓ Get CLI0s
- ▾ ✖ Check backwards compatibility0s

```
1 ▶ Run ./datacontract breaking --with https://raw.githubusercontent.com/datacontract/cli-
  examples/main/datacontract.yaml
4 Found 1 differences between the data contracts!
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6 ● Difference 1:
7 Description: field 'my_table.my_column' was removed
8 Type:       field-removed
9 Severity:   breaking
10 Level:     field
11 Model:     my_table
12 Field:     my_column
13 Exiting application with error: found breaking differences between the data contracts
14 Error: Process completed with exit code 1.
```



# Data Contracts Cover Governance Aspects

- **Ownership** Who is responsible for providing data? **Ownership (Info)**
- **Quality** What quality do we provide? **Quality Attributes & Contract Testing**
- **Compliance** What are we allowed to do with data? **Terms and Conditions**
- **Legal** In which region may data be stored? **Terms and Conditions**
- **Privacy** What is personal (PII) data? **Data Model Attribute**
- **Classification** What sensitivity level has my data? **Data Model Attributes**
- **Security** Who has access to which data and why? --> **Access Requests**

# Data Marketplace

# Decentralized Approval Process

- Data Marketplace: Central registry for data products
- Self-service Data Access Requests
- Data Product Owners approve Access Requests
- Permissions to actual data are automated by the data platform

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Add Data Contract

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Owner

Data Product

Tag

Sort

Articles

Internal

👤 Products

Passed

1 consumer

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Current state of all articles

Articles History

Internal

👤 Products

Passed

2 consumers

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All article snapshots since 2020

Customer Cohorts

Restricted

👤 Marketing

1 consumer

📄

A table with customer cohorts and their properties

Customers History

PII

Sensitive

👤 Payments Team

📄

All customer states, updated on every modifying event. PII included.

Customers History NPII

Restricted

👤 Payments Team

Passed

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All customer states, updated on every modifying event. PII removed.

Customers Latest

PII

Sensitive

👤 Payments Team

Passed

1 consumer

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All customers in their latest state, PII included.

Customers Latest NPII

Restricted

👤 Payments Team

Passed

📄

All customers in their latest state, PII removed.

Orders

PII

Restricted

👤 Payments Team

Passed

1 consumer

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All order-created events, with PII.

Orders NPII

Sensitive

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Passed

2 consumers

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All order-created events, PII removed.



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Orders

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1.0.0

Export

Edit YAML

Edit

Request Access

👤 Payments Team

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Data Contract Specification 1.1.0

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orders

ORDER\_ID

string

PREVIOUS\_ORDER\_ID

string

CUSTOMER\_ID

string

EMAIL

string

PHONE\_NUMBER

text

INVOICE\_ADDRESS

object

L, ADDRESS\_LINE

text

L, CITY\_LINE

text

ORDER\_DATE

timestamp

ORDER\_TOTAL

decimal

line\_items

LINE\_ITEM\_ID

string

ORDER\_ID

string

ARTICLE\_SKU

string

React Flow

Info

Information about the data contract

Title

Orders

Version

1.0.0

Description

All order-created events, with PII.

Owner

Payments Team

Contact

Scarlett Layton

Data Product

The data product providing this data contract

Orders

Output Port: snowflake\_orders\_pii\_v2

Passed

Passed 5 checks

3 hours ago

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# Request Access

You are requesting access to the data product **Orders** on output port **snowflake\_orders\_pii\_v2** .  
The system will create an access request for the team **Payments Team** to approve.

Consumer

Required

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Data Product

Request access for one of your data products.

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Team

Request access for everybody in your team.

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User

Request access for yourself.

Consumer Data Product

Required

Realtime User Classification (Team Search)

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Select your data product that needs to access and use the provided data.

⚠️

The requested output port contains **PII** data. Formulate your purpose accordingly!

Purpose

Required

Use historical orders for ML model training to perform real-time user classification.  
PII data is required (custom\_id, email address) for customer cohort detection.

✓

Why do you want access and what do you want to do with the data?

Cancel

Customize

Request access

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# Access

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Show specification

Edit

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Inactive

## Approve Access Request

Team **Search** requests access to data product **Orders**.

As data product owner, you can approve or reject this request to grant access to your data product.

Approve

Reject

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DATA PRODUCT

Orders

Payments Team

DATA PRODUCT

Realtime User Classification

Search

React Flow

### Info

Purpose and Lifecycle information

#### Purpose

Use historical orders for ML model training to perform real-time user classification.  
PII data is required (custom\_id, email address) for customer cohort detection.

Start Date

2024-12-05

End Date

No end date

### Data Contract

Defines the syntax, semantics, and quality

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**Orders**  
All order-created events, with PII.

✓ Passed

Passed 5 checks  
3 hours ago

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Max. 10x queries per day

Not suitable for real-time use cases

Billing

\$1000 / month

Notice Period

3 months

Data Platform

Status of the data platform integration

Status

✓

Permissions granted

Updated

1 minutes ago

Role

agreement\_3ZxBOWwhg0mFhkhcC1IE4j\_role

Agent

Data Mesh Manager Platform Agent v0.1

Details

CREATE ROLE agreement\_3ZxBOWwhg0mFhkhcC1IE4j\_role;  
GRANT ROLE op\_orders\_snowflake\_orders\_pii\_v2\_role TO ROLE agreement\_3ZxBOWwhg0mFhkhcC1IE4j\_role;  
GRANT ROLE agreement\_3ZxBOWwhg0mFhkhcC1IE4j\_role TO ROLE dp\_realtime\_user\_classification\_role;

Audit Trail

The audit trail lists all changes that have been performed on this access.

Access activated

moments ago by System

Status changed

requested -> approved  
moments ago by demo.user@demogHMPk0JAXVGdFBYBzzF9o.datamesh-manager.com

Access created

1 minute ago by demo.user@demogHMPk0JAXVGdFBYBzzF9o.datamesh-manager.com

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# Know Your Consumers (KYC)

The screenshot displays the 'Data Contract Manager' web application. The browser tab is 'Data Contract Manager' and the address bar shows 'localhost:8080/demo129500424135/dataproducts/orders'. The navigation bar includes 'Search', 'Data Contracts', 'Data Products' (active), 'Data Governance AI', and 'More'. The user profile 'ACME' is visible. The main content area is titled 'Orders' with a breadcrumb 'Data Products > Orders'. It features a 'Checkout' icon, 'source-aligned', 'active', 'managed', and 'demo' tags. Action buttons include 'Edit YAML', 'Edit', and 'Request Access'. A diagram shows the 'Orders' data product (Checkout) connected to a 'Source System' (Order Service, Checkout) via a 'Kafka Topic'. It also shows connections to three data products: 'Monthly Target Performance Report' (Controlling Team), 'Search' (TEAM), and 'Funnel Analytics' (Marketing). Below the diagram is a 'React Flow' label. The 'Info' section provides details about the data product: Name 'Orders', ID 'orders', Description 'Successful customer orders in the webshop. All orders since 2020-01-01.', and platformRole. The 'Data Product Controlling' section monitors business value, costs, and compliance, showing 3 Consumers and Costs of \$6,700.00.

**Orders**  
orders

Checkout source-aligned active managed demo

Order Service Checkout

Kafka Topic

Orders Checkout

DATA PRODUCT Monthly Target Performance Report Controlling Team

TEAM Search

DATA PRODUCT Funnel Analytics Marketing

DATA PRODUCT Recommendations ML Model Recommendations

React Flow

**Info**  
Information about the data product

Name	ID
Orders	orders

Description  
Successful customer orders in the webshop. All orders since 2020-01-01.

platformRole

**Data Product Controlling**  
Monitor business value, costs, and compliance

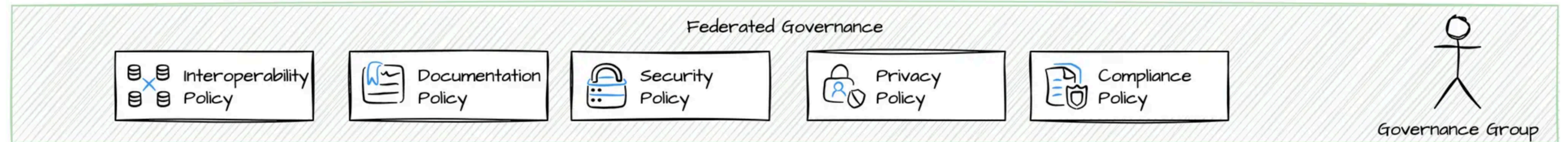
Consumers	3
Costs	\$6,700.00

- Data product owners **know their consumers**
- **Access** is fully automated
- **Life-Cycle Management:** Access can be cancelled by consumer or providers
- Important for data product **evolution** (e.g. breaking changes)

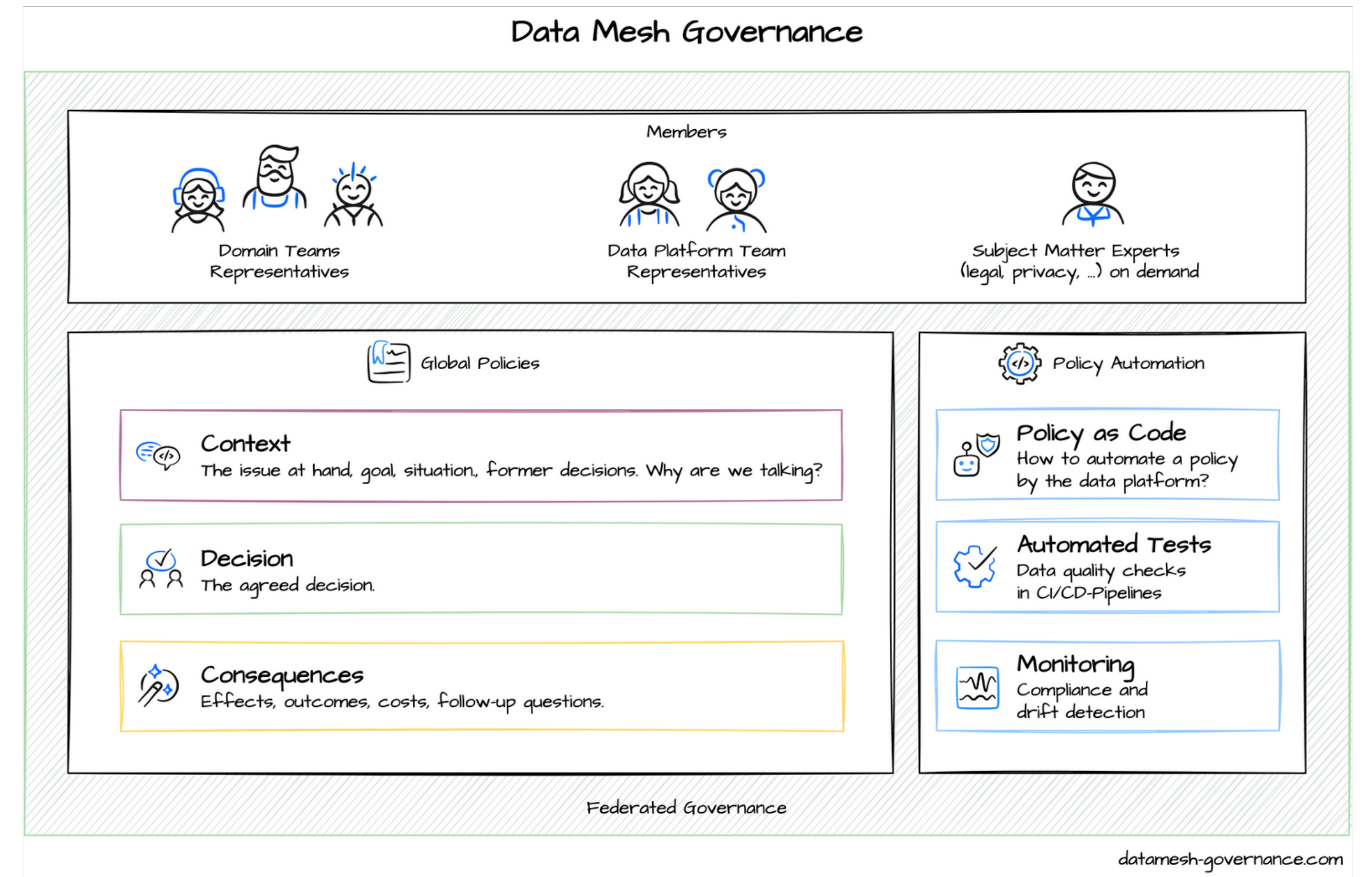
# Global Policies



# Global Policies



- Agree on common standards for data products and data contracts
- Deciders: Data Product Owners (supported by SME)
- Responsibility: Data Product Owners
- Automated by: Data Platform





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Parquet File Format

Category: Interoperability

Platform: Databricks, Azure Synapse Analytics, Generic Data Lake

Context

Data products are stored as files on Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2 ([Data Product Storage](#)).

To ensure interoperability and consistent usage patterns, we want to agree on a common file format.

We assume that data products frequently will be combined across domains.

Decision

We use Apache Parquet for data products.

Consequences

- Low storage and IO costs
- Fast querying and processing
- Software engineers need to learn Parquet file format.
- Append only
- binary -> efficient storage -> IO optimized
- column-oriented -> efficient JOIN operations

Automation

- All major data platforms come with Parquet support out of the box
- Automated testing: Query all data products periodically and try to deserialize latest file



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# Retire unused data products after 6 months

Category: Quality  
Platform: BigQuery

## Context

Unused data products create no value. They require effort to maintain.

## Decision

We retire data products that are unused for 6 months.  
  
We warn the team, if a data product is unused for 5 months.


## Consequences

- Data catalog contains only high-valued data products
- Data Access audit logs (Cloud Audit Logs) must be enabled (enabled by default)

## Automation

We do not want automated retirement.  
  
The platform should add a tag for unsued data products and send emails to the ownership team.

# Data Classification

# GLOBAL-2    Accepted

A classification can be defined on field-level in a data contract.

We use four classifications:

Classification	Data Classes	Access Control
sensitive	PII, Personal Data, Public Health Information	No access for analytical use. May be made available as <i>restricted</i> or <i>internal</i> after applying de-identification methods such as aggregation, masking, or differential privacy.
restricted	Financial data, contracts, customer communication, HR	Access upon request for specific analytical use cases
internal	Business transactions, master data	Access for everyone in the organization
public	Public available data, external	Access for everyone in the organization

Classifications are optional.

# Snowflake Naming Conventions

# GLOBAL-4  Accepted

For data contracts that have a server with type "snowflake", we want to have these naming conventions:

- We use UPPER\_SNAKE\_CASE for database, schemas, tables, and columns.
- Avoid Reserved Words: Do not use SQL reserved words as object names.
- Avoid Abbreviations: Use abbreviations only if they are well-known and universally understood.
  - Examples: ID is acceptable, QTY for quantity is acceptable. C\_NO (for customer number) is not acceptable.

# Data Transfer Policy (EU)

# GLOBAL-7  Accepted

All personal data collected or processed within the European Union (EU) must remain within the EU.

No data may be transferred, stored, or processed outside of the EU without explicit approval from legal and compliance teams.

Transfers are only permissible under strict adherence to EU data protection laws, including GDPR.

Any exceptions must ensure an adequate level of protection for data subjects' rights.



# Data Governance ✨



# File Format

# GLOBAL-4  Interoperability  Accepted

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## Context

Data products are stored as files on S3 ([AWS S3 as Storage for Data Products](#)).

To ensure interoperability and consistent usage patterns, we want to agree on a common file format.

We assume that data products frequently will be combined across domains.

## Decision

We use Apache Parquet for data products.

## Consequences





- Low storage and IO costs
- Fast querying and processing
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- binary -> efficient storage -> IO optimized

## Adoption

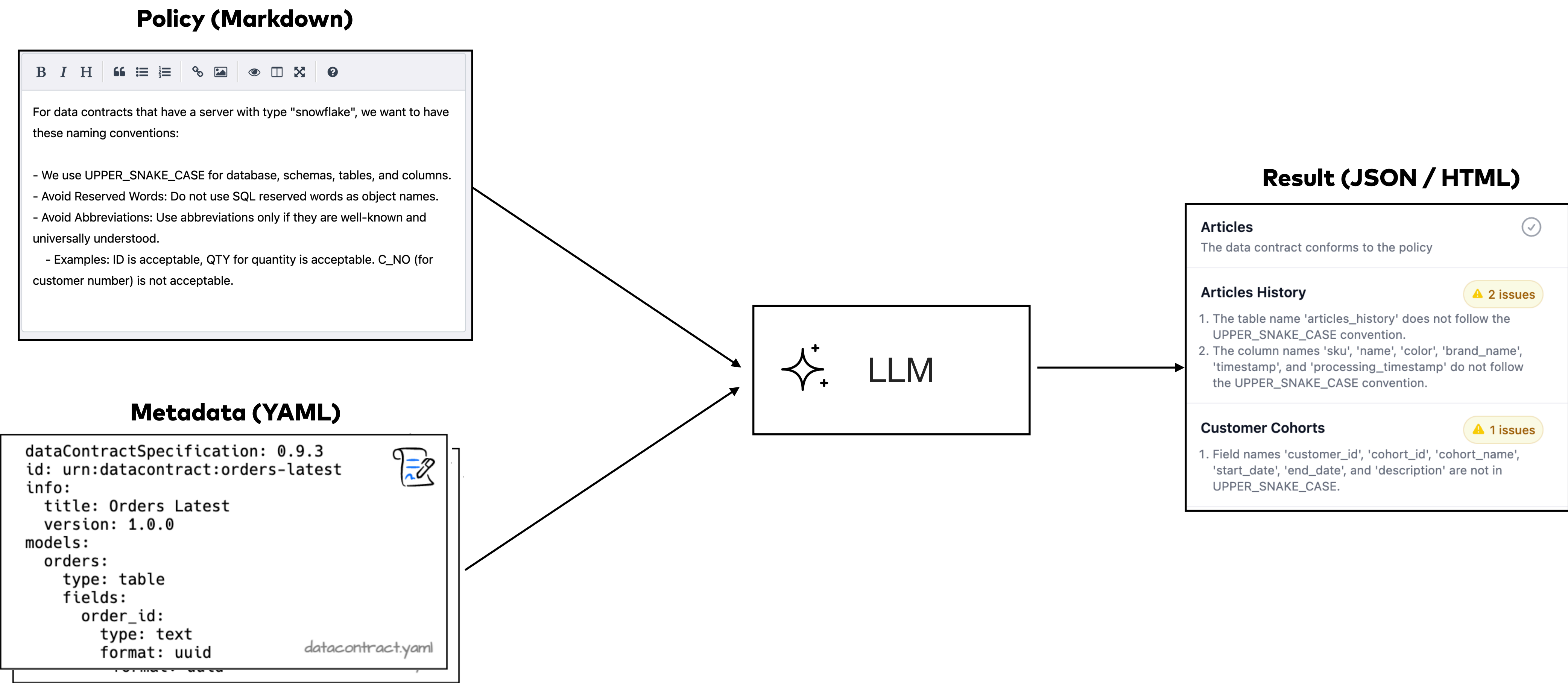
Domain Teams that adopted this policy 

- ☒ Checkout
- ☒ Controlling
- ☐ Fulfillment
- ☐ Marketing
- ☒ Products
- ☐ Search

## Audit Trail

-  **Policy updated**  
moments ago by Demo User
-  **Option selected**  
Selected Option Parquet File Format  
moments ago by Demo User
-  **Status changed**  
Draft -> Accepted  
57 seconds ago by Demo User
-  **Option selected**  
Selected Option Delta File Format

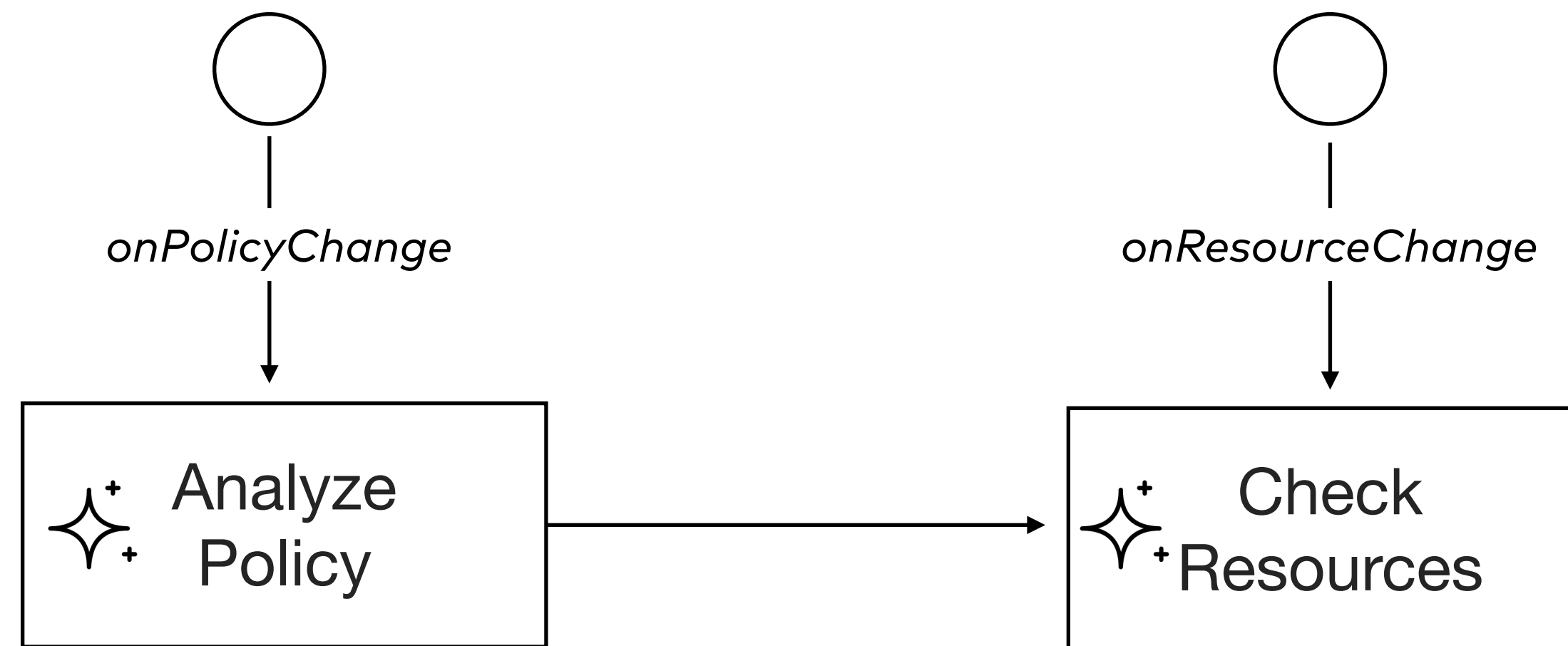
# Data Governance AI



# Demo



# Data Governance AI



**B I H** [Icons]

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```
dataContractSpecification: 0.9.3
id: urn:datacontract:orders-latest
info:
  title: Orders Latest
  version: 1.0.0
models:
  orders:
    type: table
    fields:
      order_id:
        type: text
        format: uuid
```

datacontract.yaml

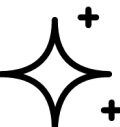
# Step 1: Analyze Policy

```
You are a data governance engine.  
Governance rules are defined as policies.  
  
A policy can refer to  
- general rules for the mesh, not specific to any resources  
- data products (then type should be "dataproduct")  
- data contracts (then type should be "datacontract")  
- semantic definitions (then classify as "definition")  
- teams (then classify as "team")  
- tags (then classify as "tag")  
- other (then classify as "other"),  
  
Your task is to determine the type of resources that a given
```

System Prompt

Global Policy  
(Markdown)

User Prompt  
(templated)



ChatGPT-4o

Structured  
Output (JSON)

Result

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Determine the type of this policy:  
  
{policy}

```
data class PolicyTypeResponse(  
    var type: String?,  
    var reason: String?,  
)
```

# Step 2: Check Metadata

For Each Resource  
by Resource Type:

You are a data governance engine.  
Governance rules are defined as Policies.  
You check data products.  
A data product is a logical unit that contains all  
components to process domain data and provide data  
sets via output ports.  
First, check, if the policy is applicable for the  
data products (applicable = true/false).  
Then check if the data product conforms to the  
policy correctly (conform = true/false).  
Be relaxed, rules with "should" or "can" should not  
be reported as issues.

System Prompt

Load metadata  
YAML

User Prompt  
(templated)

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Structured  
Output (JSON)

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datacontract.yaml

```
OrganizationId: {organizationId}

This is the Policy:

{policyTitle}

{policyContent}

This is the data product to check:

...
{dataProductYaml}
...
```

Function Calls

```
.functions(
  FUNCTION_DATA_CONTRACT_JSON_SCHEMA,
  FUNCTION_DATA_PRODUCT_JSON_SCHEMA,
  FUNCTION_DEFINITION_YAML,
)
```

```
data class PolicyCheckResponse(
  var applicable: Boolean?,
  var applicableReason: String?,
  var conform: Boolean?,
  var issues: List<Issue>? = mutableListOf(),
) {
  data class Issue(
    var description: String?,
    var recommendation: String?,
  )
}
```



## Data Governance AI

## Automated policy checks

## Ownership

The data contract conforms to the policy



## Data Classification

1. No data classification provided for any fields.



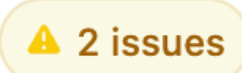
### Mandatory fields

The data contract conforms to the policy



## Snowflake Naming Conventions

1. The table name 'articles\_history' does not follow the UPPER\_SNAKE\_CASE convention.
2. The column names 'sku', 'name', 'color', 'brand\_name', 'timestamp', and 'processing\_timestamp' do not follow the UPPER\_SNAKE\_CASE convention.



### Personal Identifiable Information (PII)

1. The 'name' field does not have a pii flag set.
2. The 'brand\_name' field does not have a pii flag set.



## Run Checks

AI can make mistakes. Check important results. Data is not used to train models.



## Data Governance AI

## Policy Check

## Policy

## Snowflake Naming Conventions

Created At

2024-06-12T03:25:09.078187Z

## Status

completed

## Rerun

Applicable

true (The policy is applicable to this data contract.)

Adopted

false

## Issues

The table name 'articles\_history' does not follow the UPPER\_SNAKE\_CASE convention.

*Recommendation: Rename the table to 'ARTICLES\_HISTORY'.*

Ignore

The column names 'sku', 'name', 'color', 'brand\_name', 'timestamp', and 'processing\_timestamp' do not follow the UPPER\_SNAKE\_CASE convention.

*Recommendation: Rename the columns to 'SKU', 'NAME', 'COLOR', 'BRAND\_NAME', 'TIMESTAMP', and 'PROCESSING\_TIMESTAMP'.*

**Ignore**





# Support Owners in Access Approval Process


🏠 > Access Management > 37FwFdNTalUPfI4yZUVEXE

## Access

37FwFdNTalUPfI4yZUVEXE

[Show specification](#) **Edit**

🚩 requested

 Inactive

## Approve Access Request

Team **Marketing** requests access to data product **Customers**.

As data product owner, you can approve or reject this request to grant access to your data product.

 **Attention needed**

Data Governance AI checked this access request with your data governance policies and found these potential policy violations:

- **PII Processing:** The data set contains PII, but the purpose of the access request does not explain why PII fields are needed.
- **Data Transfer Policy (EU):** The data set contains personal data and the request is for analyzing international customer cohorts, which may involve data transfer outside the EU.

AI can make mistakes. Check important info.

**Approve**

## Reject

# BYI AI Model

## AI Settings

Enable, manage and configure AI models and features.



**Disabled**

Disable AI features



**Managed Model** Managed

Use our pre-configured and managed model. Runs on Azure OpenAI service, hosted in Sweden (EU).

Your data will not be used for model training.



**Azure OpenAI** Bring Your Own

Deploy a model in your own Azure OpenAI environment.

**API Key**

1234567890abcdef1234567890abcdef

**Endpoint**

https://my-openai-service-name.openai.azure.com/

**Chat Deployment Name**

gpt-4o

**Embedding Deployment Name**

text-embedding-ada-002



**Ollama** Bring Your Own

Run advanced models on your own server

**Endpoint**

http://localhost:11434

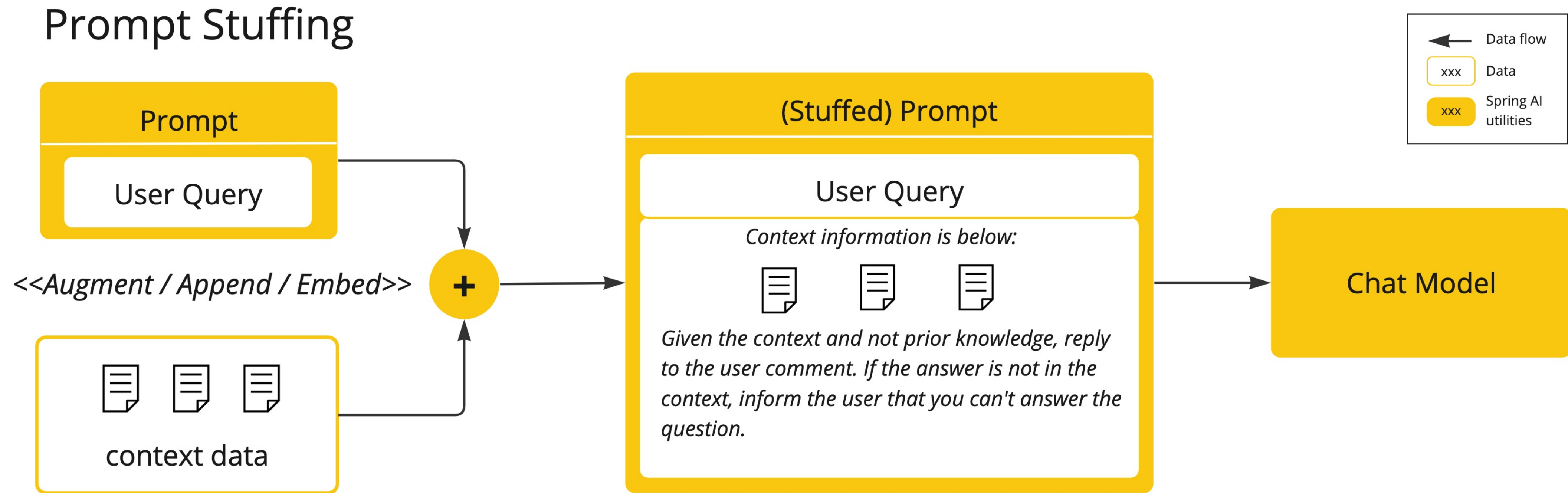
```

fun getPolicyType(organization: Organization, policy: String): PolicyTypeResponse? {
    val response = chatClient.prompt()
        .functions(FUNCTION_DATA_CONTRACT_JSON_SCHEMA, FUNCTION_DATA_PRODUCT_JSON_SCHEMA)
        .system { s -> s.text("""
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            – data contracts (then type should be "datacontract")
            – other (then classify as "other"),
            Your task is to determine the type of resources that a given policy regulates.
            """).trimIndent() })
        .user { u -> u.text("""
            OrganizationId: {organizationId}
            Determine the type of this policy:
            {policy}
            """).trimIndent() })
            .param("organizationId", organization.organizationId.toString())
            .param("policy", policy)
        }
        .call()
        .entity(BeanOutputConverter(PolicyTypeResponse::class.java, objectMapper))
    return response
}

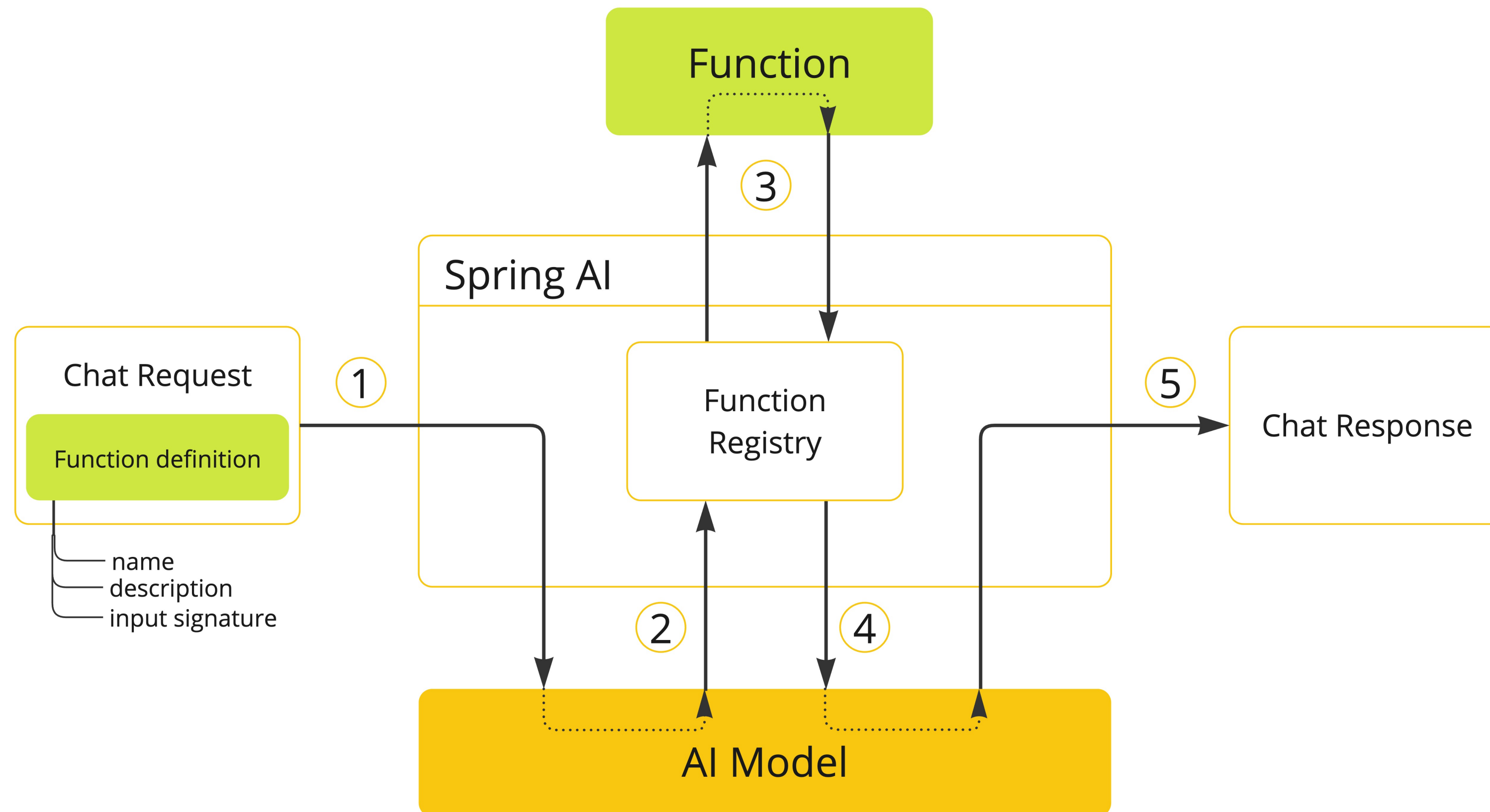
```



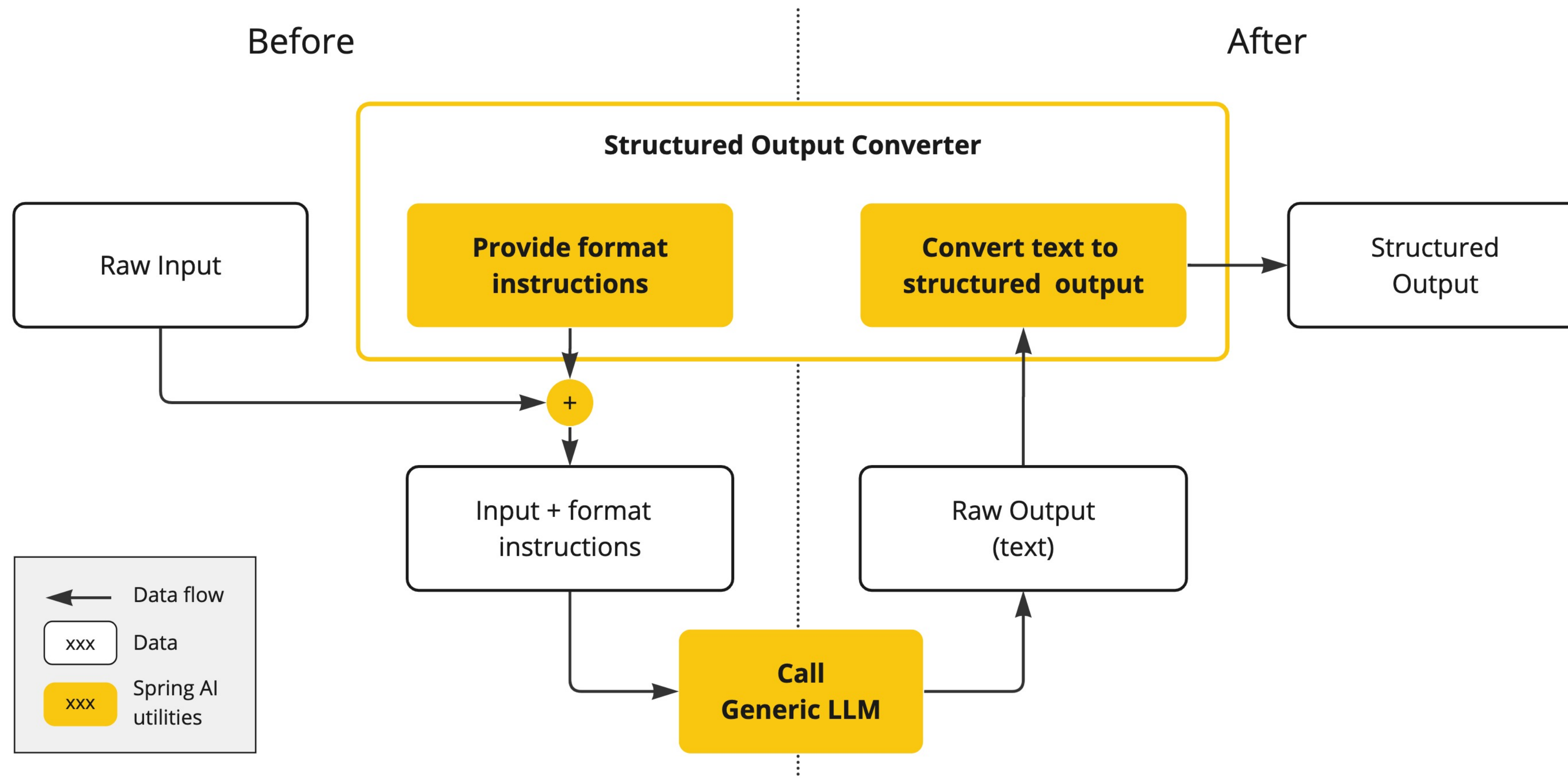
# Spring AI: Prompt Stuffing (RAG)



# Spring AI: Function Calling



# Spring AI: Structured Output



# Learnings



# Learnings: Modern Data Governance

- Data Contracts are the elementary for modern data governance
- Ownership for governance shifts left to product owners
- Decentralized architectures need a central repository
- Automate as much as possible

# Learnings: AI Engineering

- LLMs are another (powerful) tool in software architecture
- Invest in prompt engineering
- Testing is more complex (and costly)
- AI makes mistakes:
  - Use AI to detect issues
  - Ultimately, humans are responsible
  - Incorporate user feedback
- AI can't solve everything

# Links

## Open Source

- [datacontract.com](https://datacontract.com)
- [cli.datacontract.com](https://cli.datacontract.com)
- [editor.datacontract.com](https://editor.datacontract.com)

## Commercial

- [datamesh-manager.com](https://datamesh-manager.com)



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Governance - lassen  
wir es doch die AI  
machen**



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