

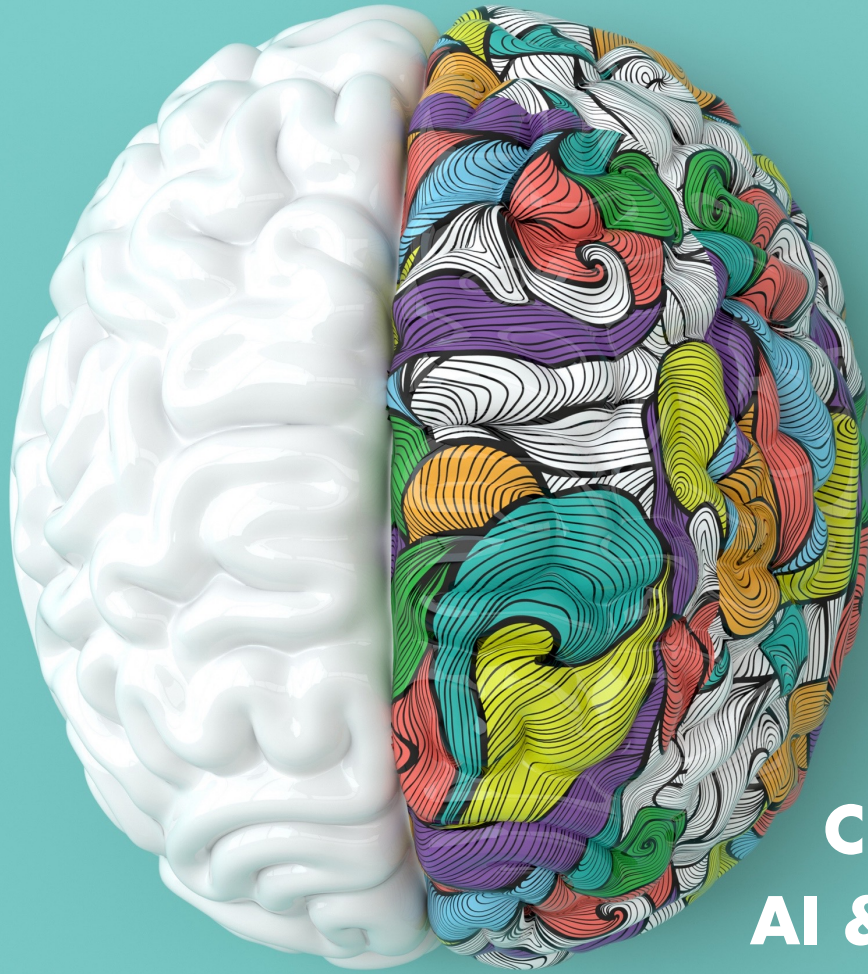


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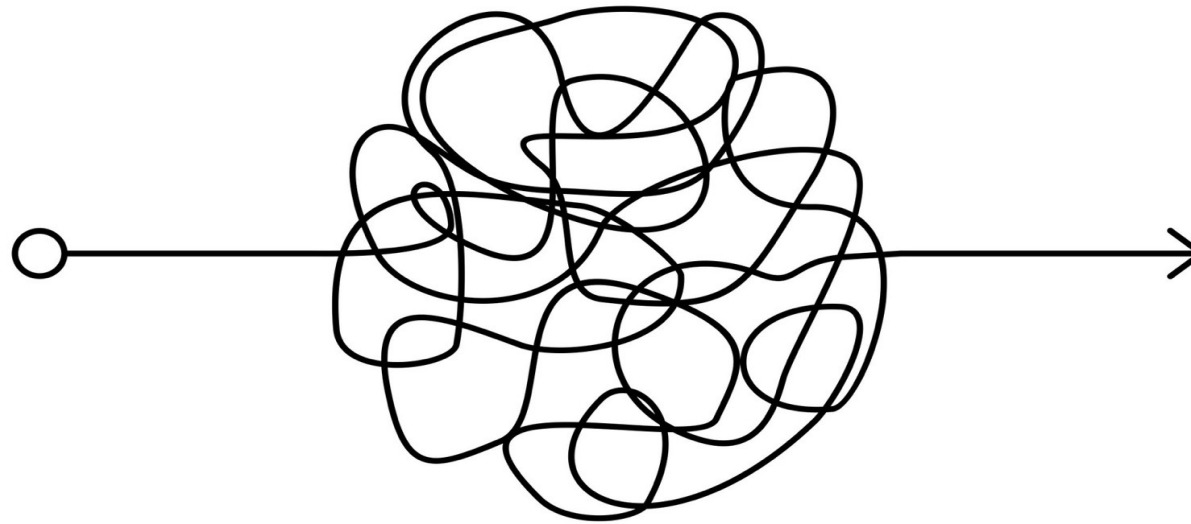




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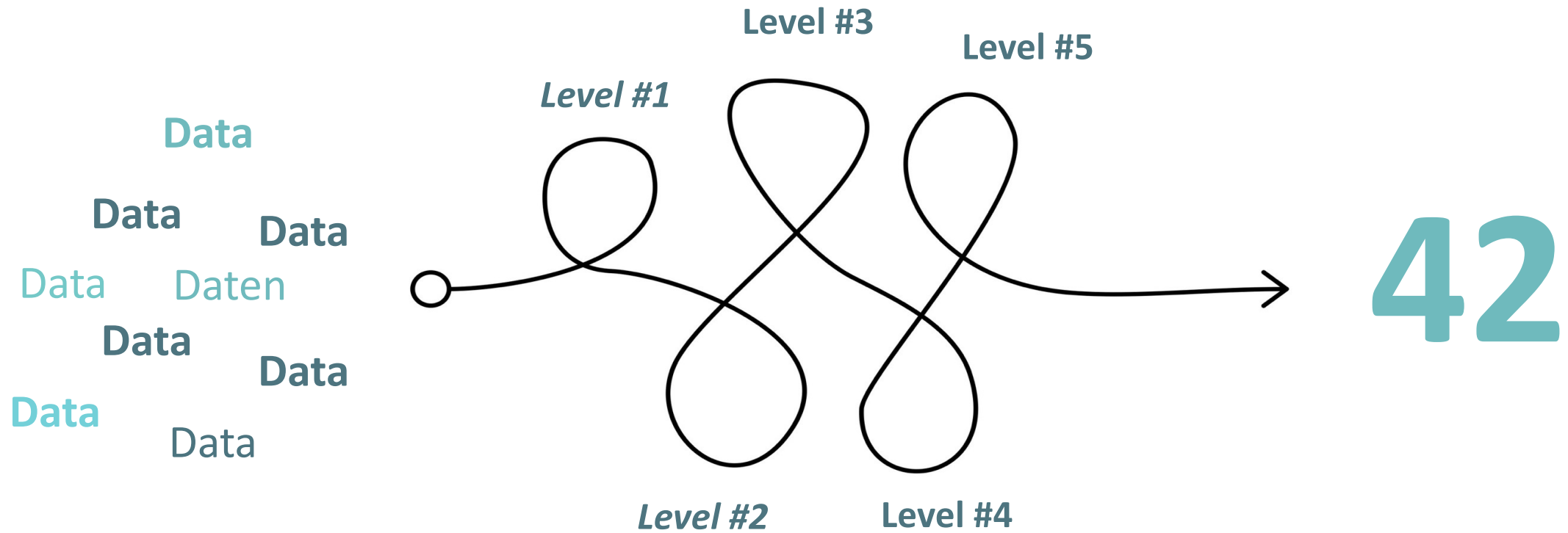
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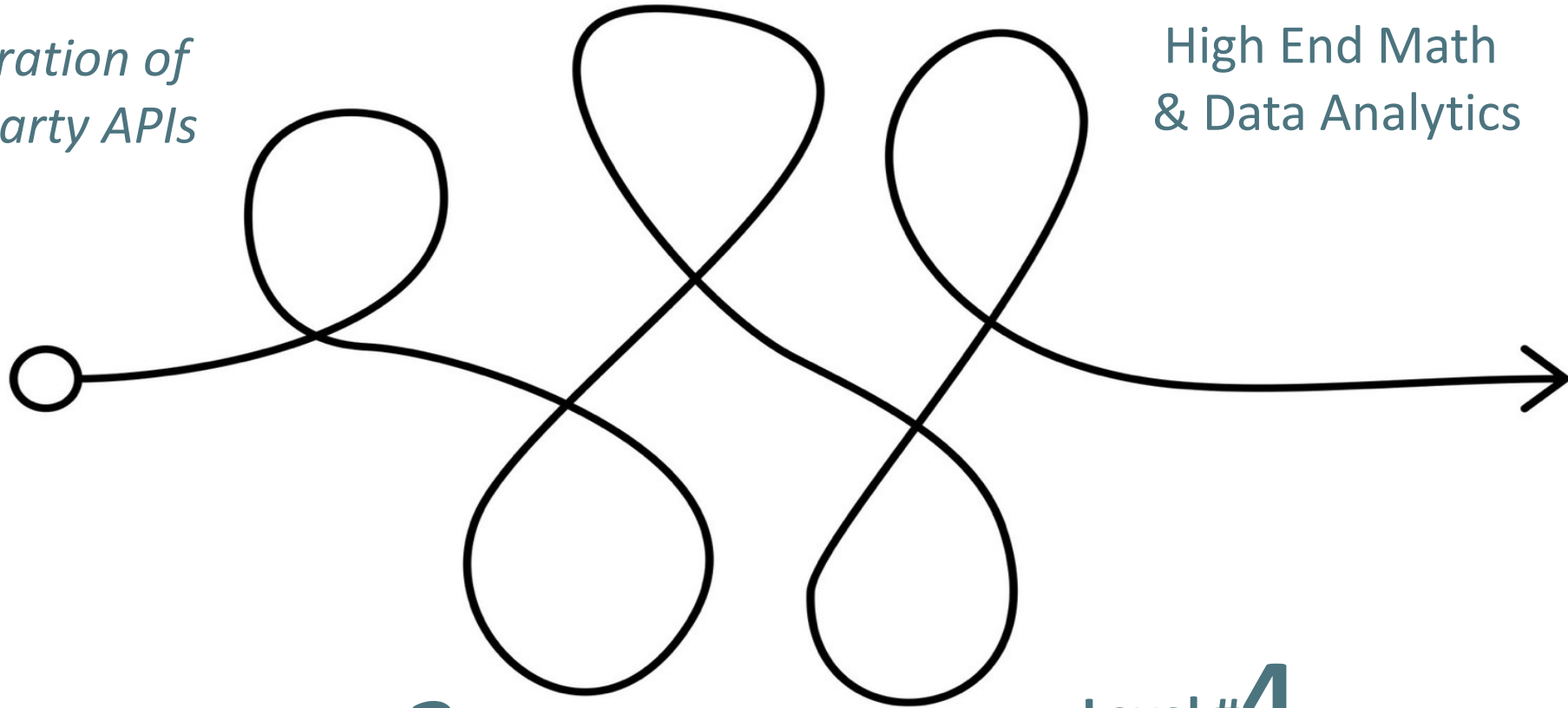
ML Voodoo Maturity Level



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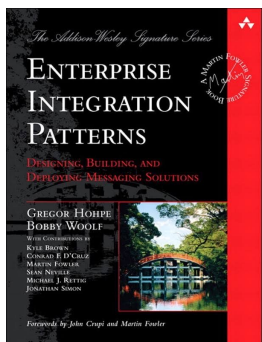


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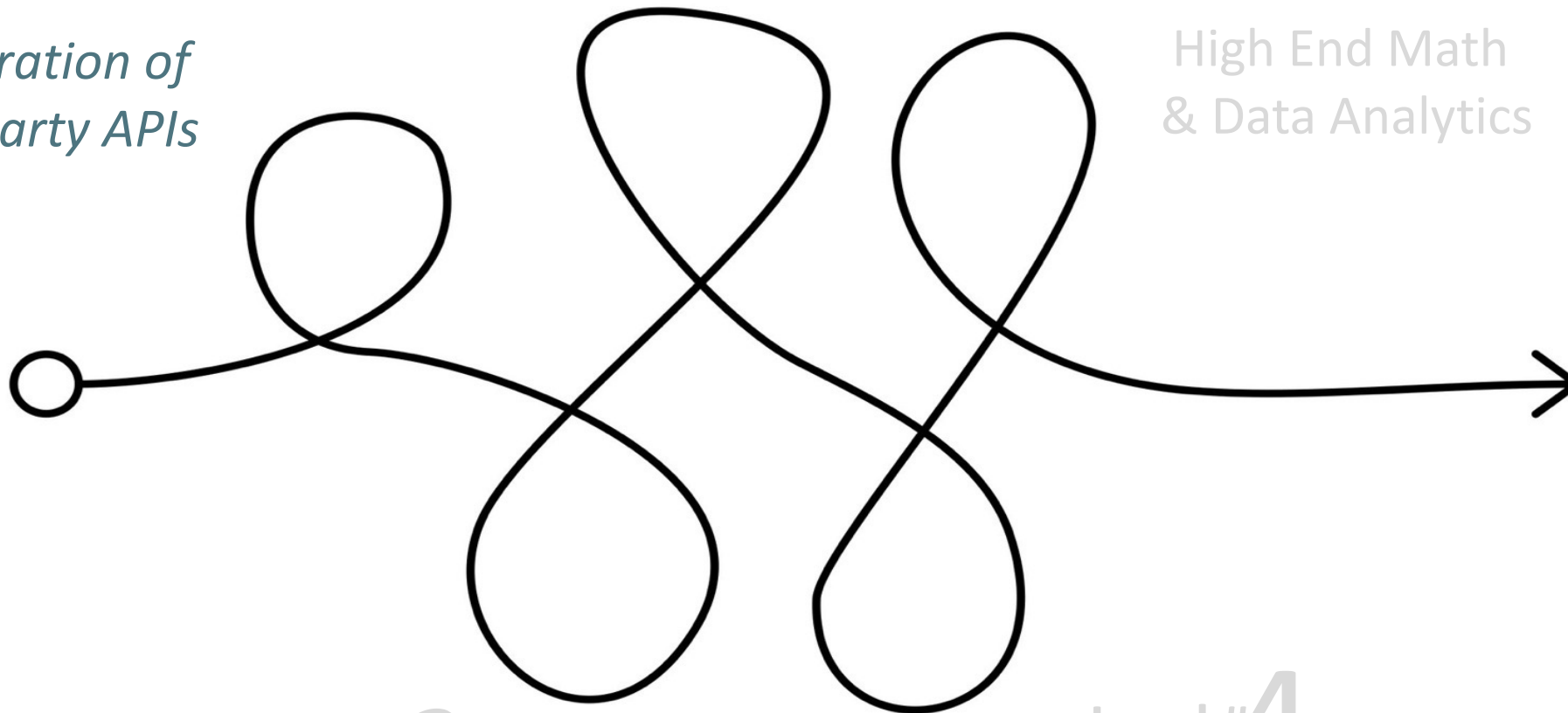
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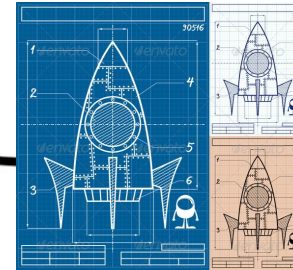
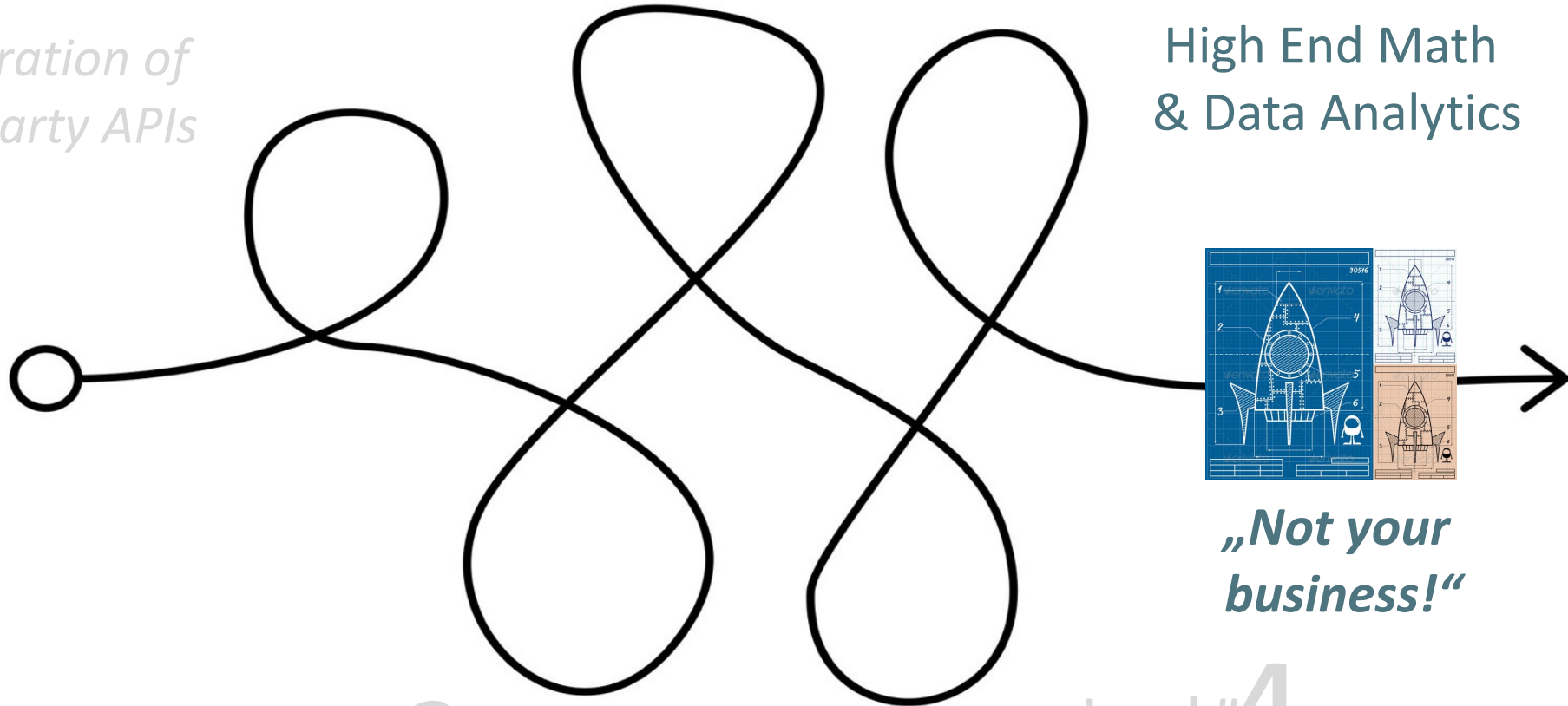
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**„Not your
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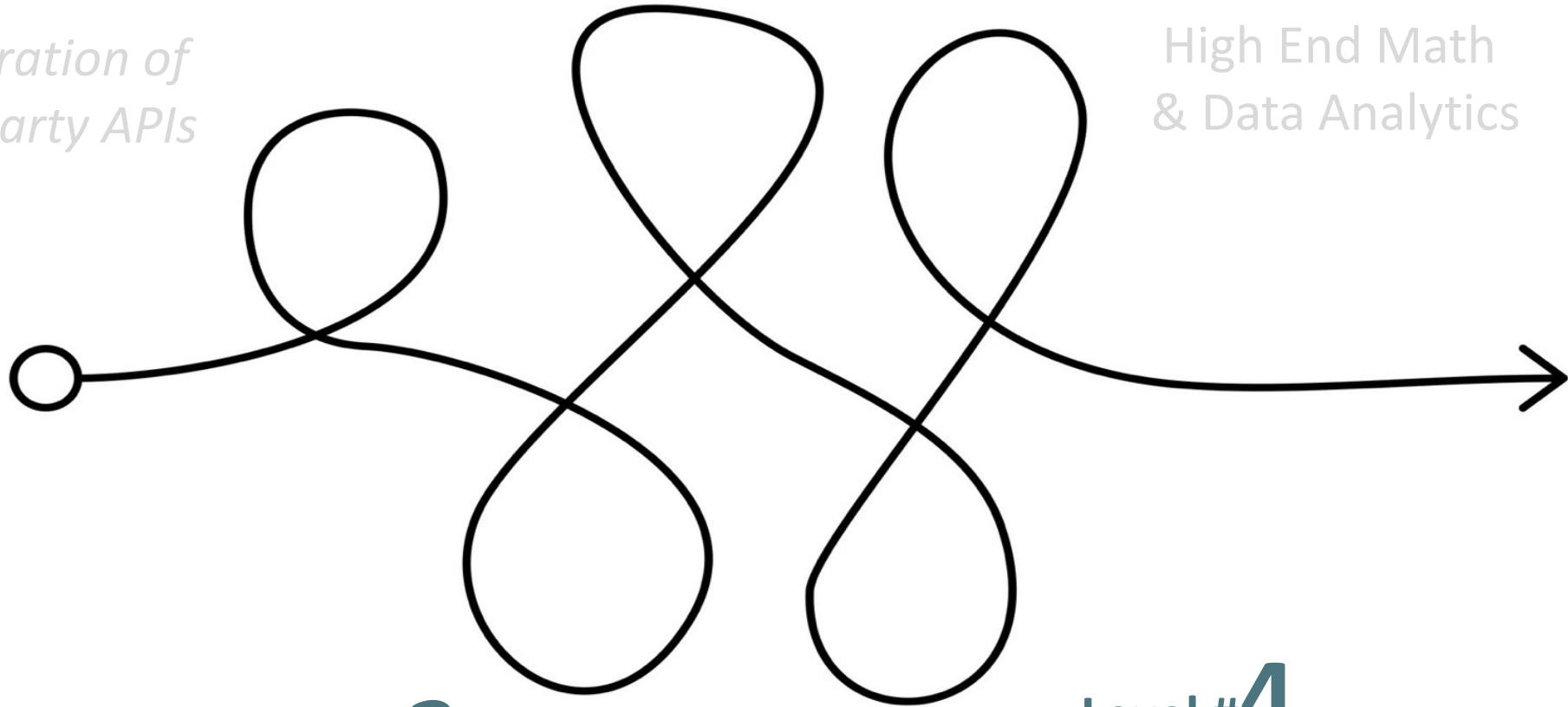
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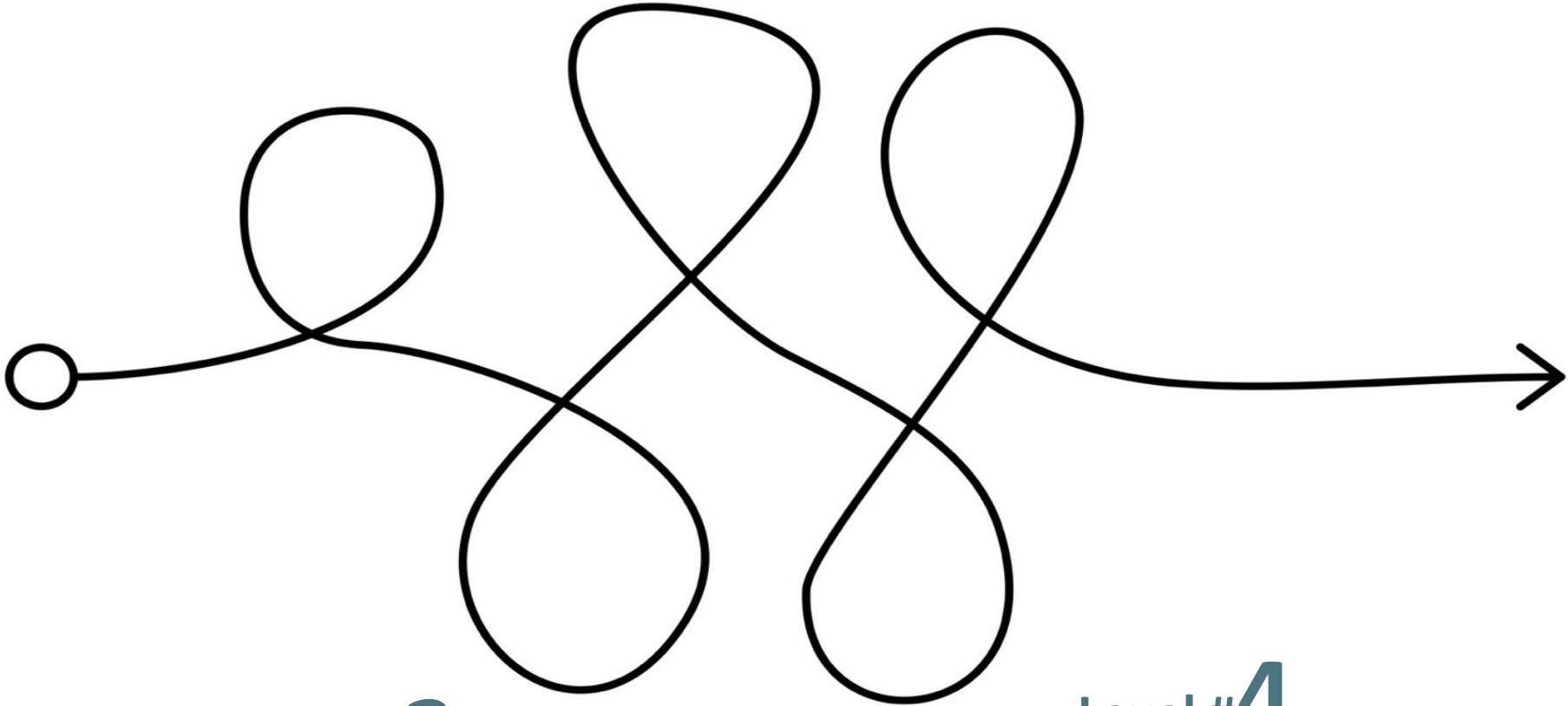
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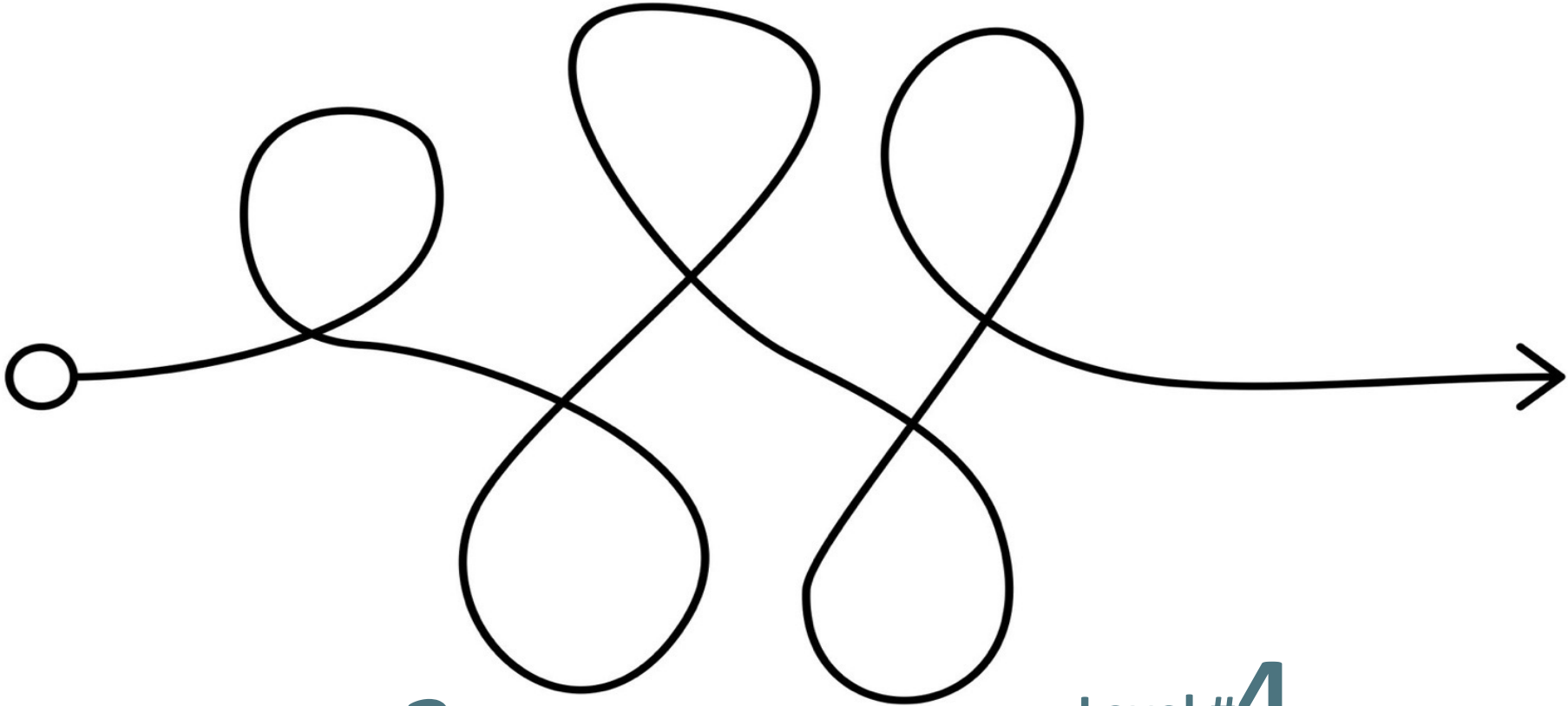
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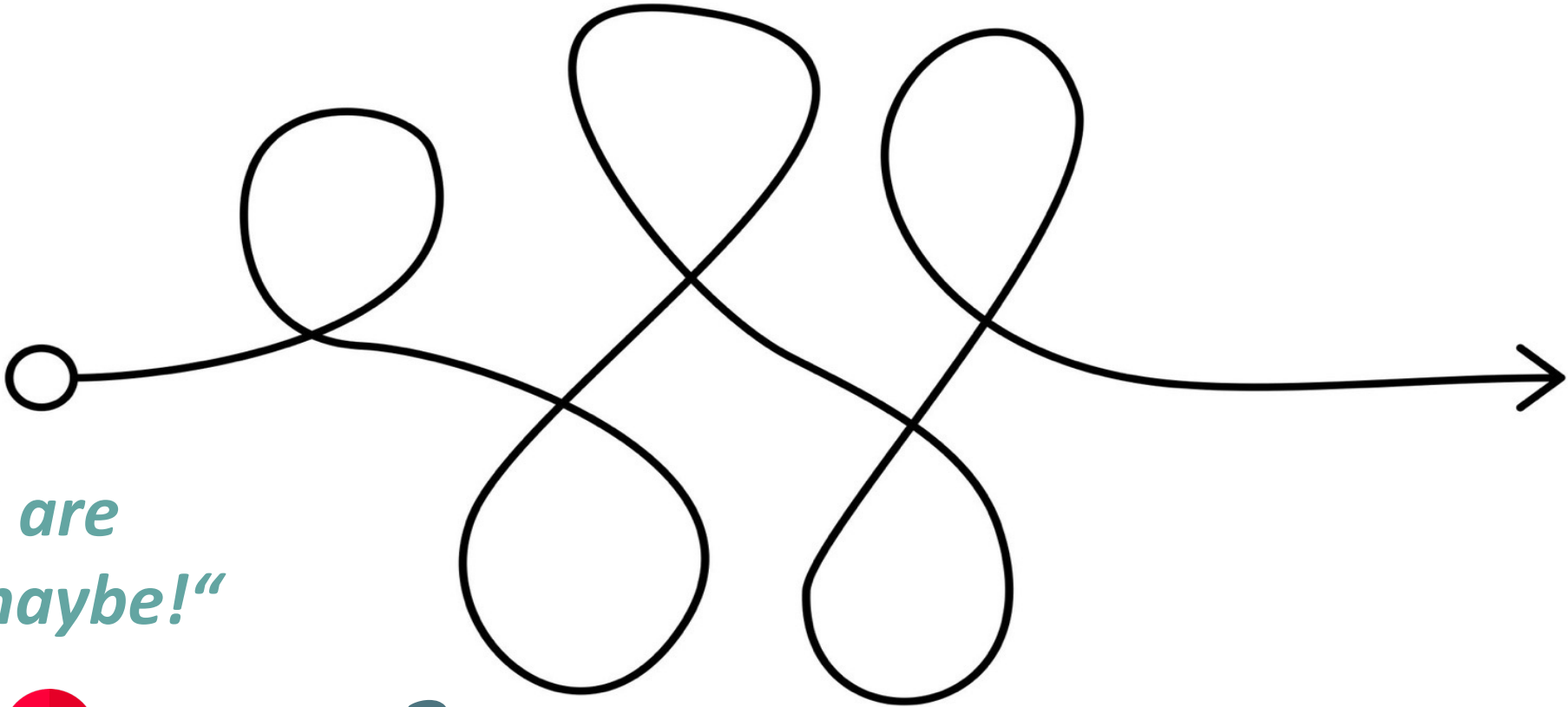
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*„You are
here, maybe!“*



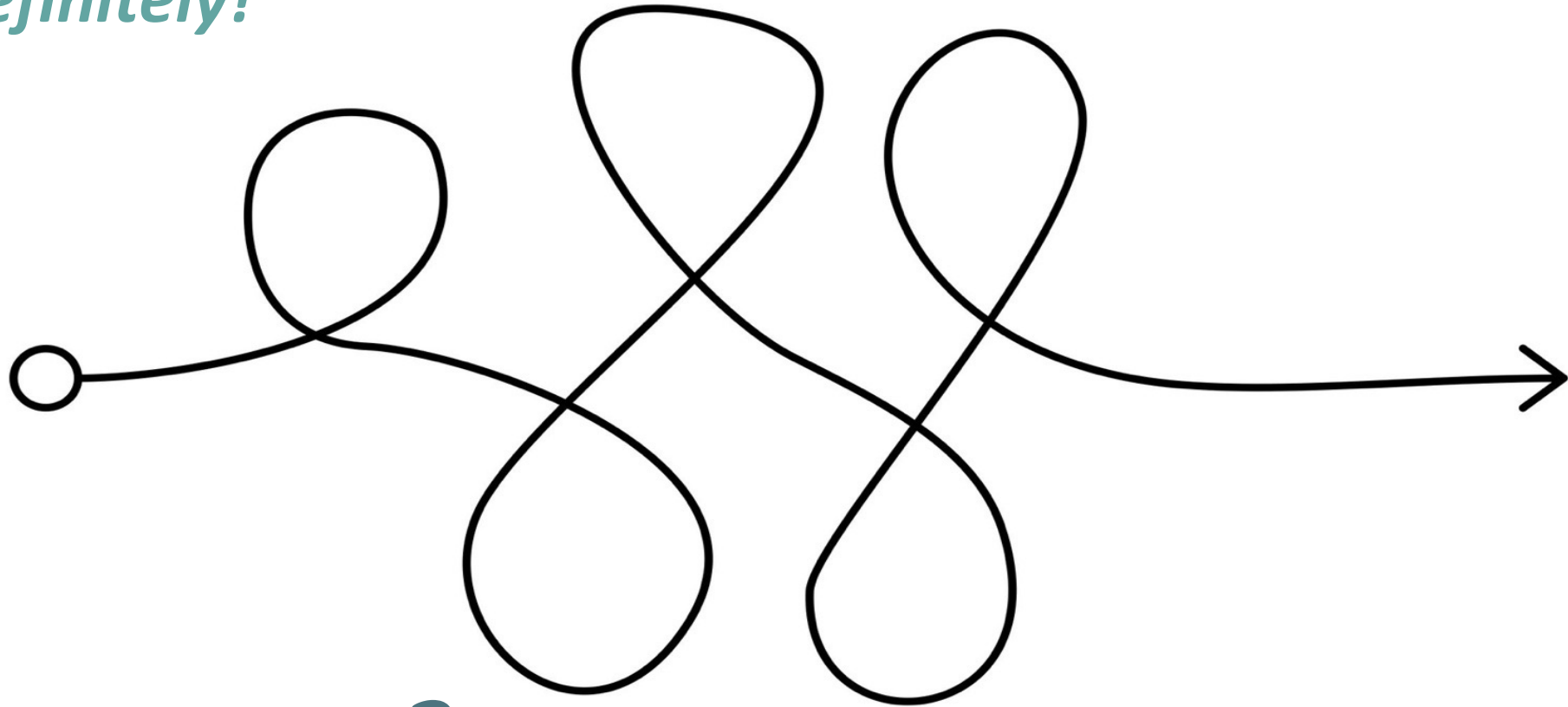
Level #2:
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„But, you want to be here, definitely!“



Level #3:

PRODUCTION



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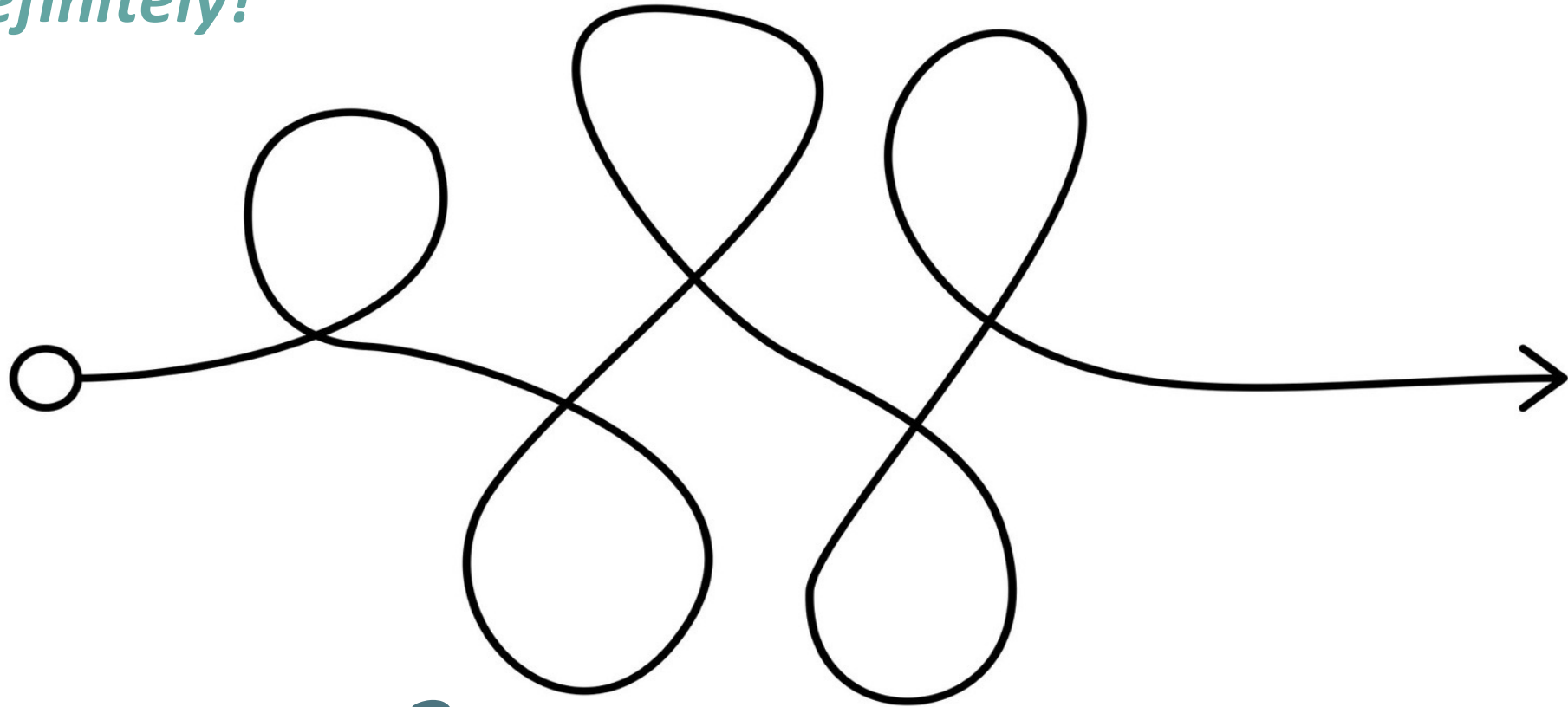
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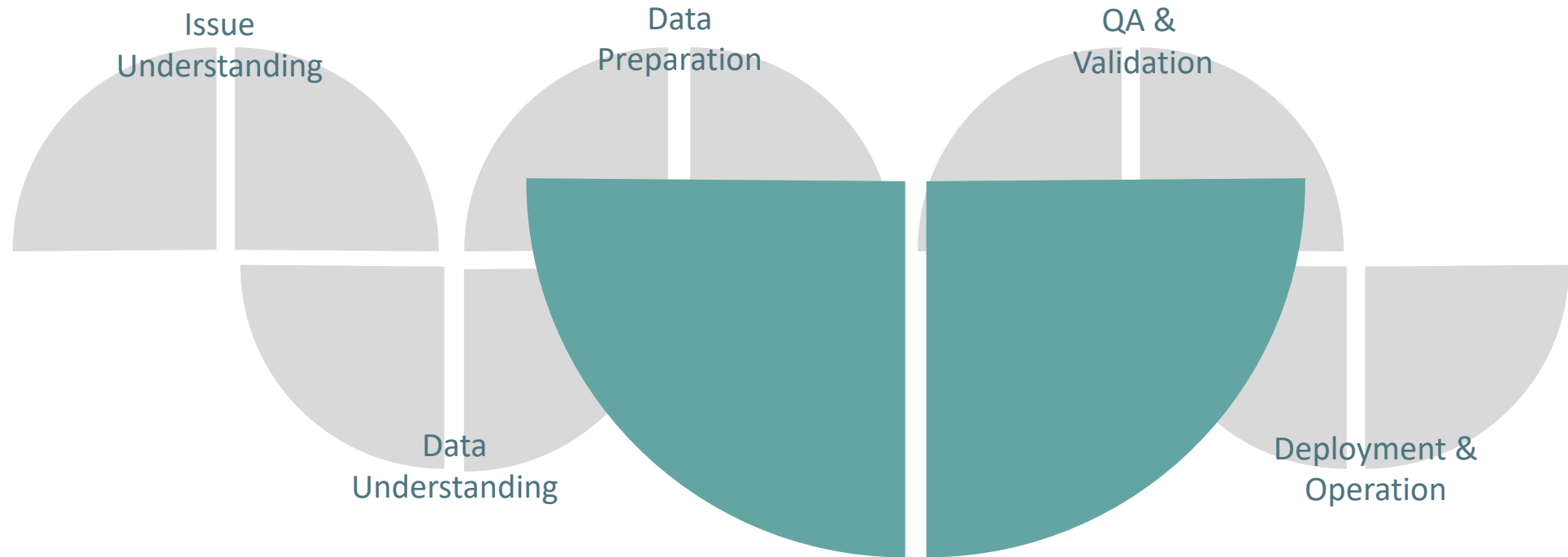
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ML Voodoo Level 2 „only“



Modeling

ML for Production

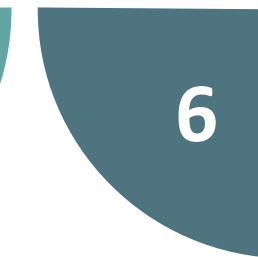
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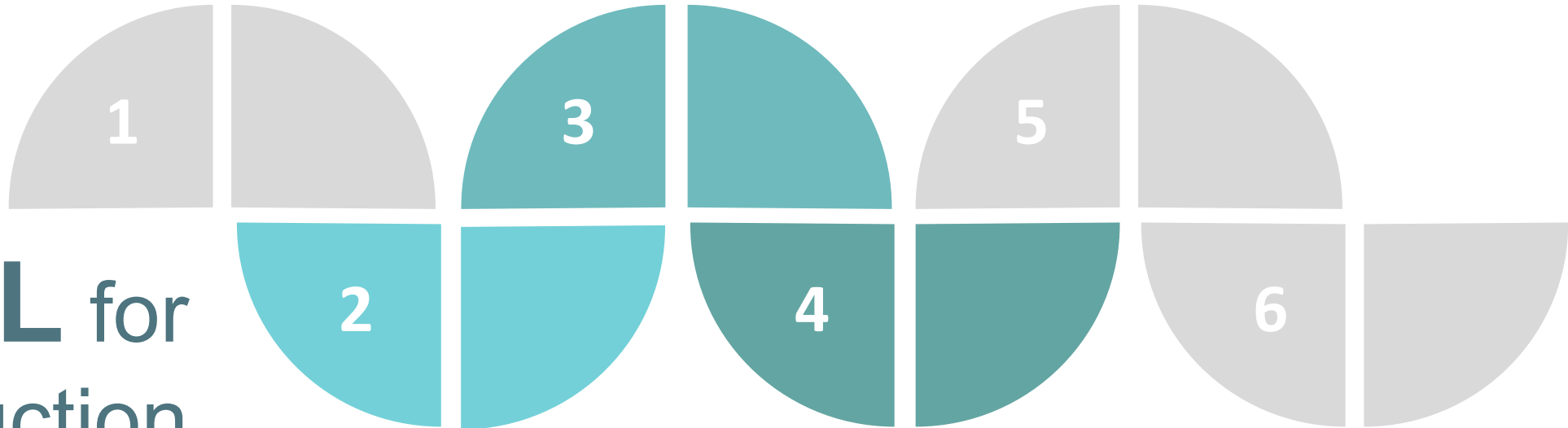
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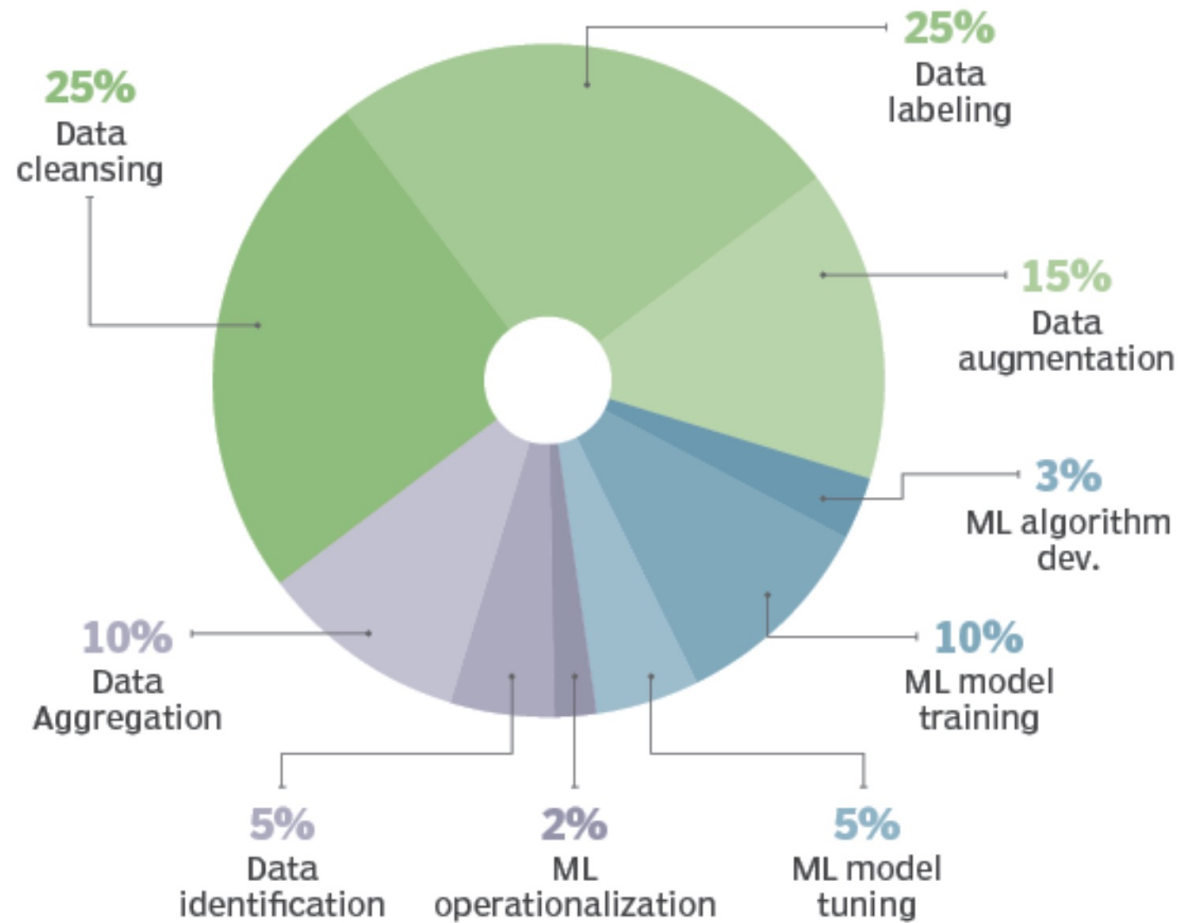
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ML for Production by Example: Sales Forecast*

*Grocery Shopping Chain

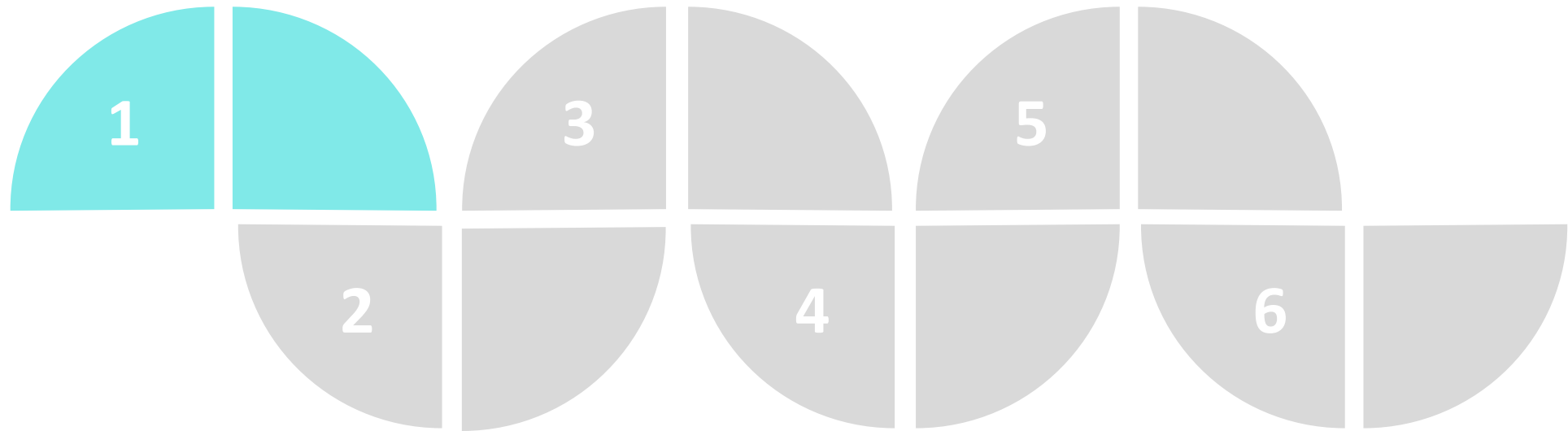


ML for Production by Example ...

SALES FORECAST

Based on **historical data** from several stores, sales figures are to be **predicted for the future**.

Business Understanding



**„Sorry, what was
the Question?“**

Problem Statement & Target Definition

Business Understanding by Example



Problem Statement - SALES FORECAST

*„ Often there is **too much or too little goods in stock.**“*

*„Lots of perishable **goods are thrown away in the evening.**“*

*„Marketing **campaigns are not effective (enough).**“*

*„Turnover is okay, but it's **not predictable.**“*

*„Staffing is often **less than optimal.**“*

...

Business Understanding by Example



Business Goals- SALES FORECAST

A **sales forecast** is to be created, which supports the **planning of sales per store***, as well as the **planning of marketing campaigns****.

* ... and thus indirectly also procurement and warehousing

** ... such as promotions or introduction of new product

Business Understanding by Example



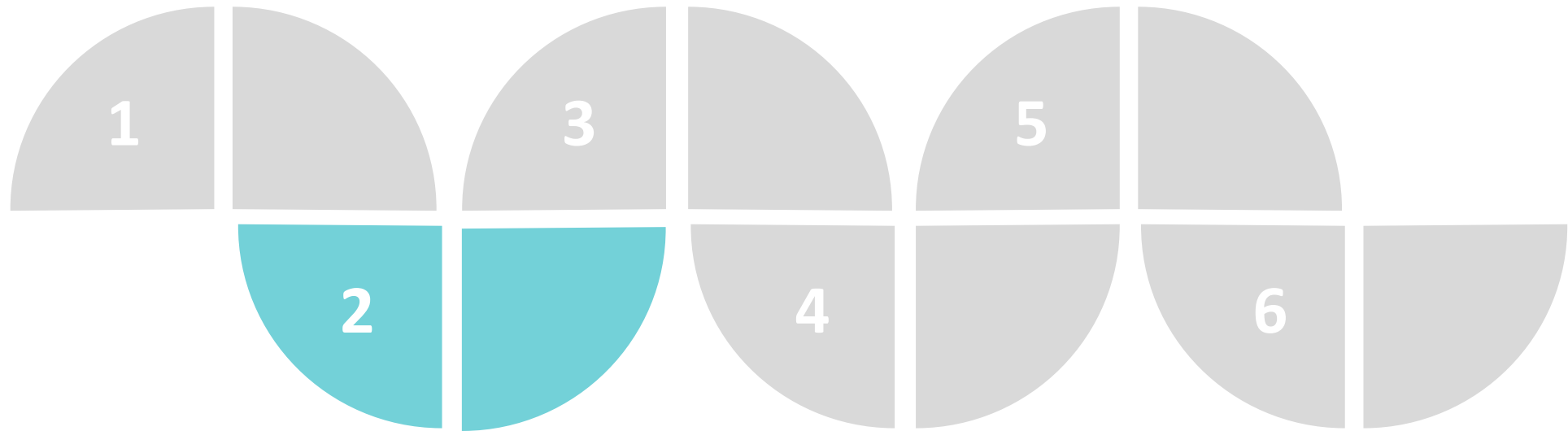
Analytical Goals - SALES FORECAST

A machine learning solution should predict the **sales per store** for the **period of 6 weeks**, with an **accuracy of [X]%**.

ATTENTION:

*A concrete value is important here.
Unfortunately, "as accurate as possible"
is of little help for later validation and
quality analysis of the model!*

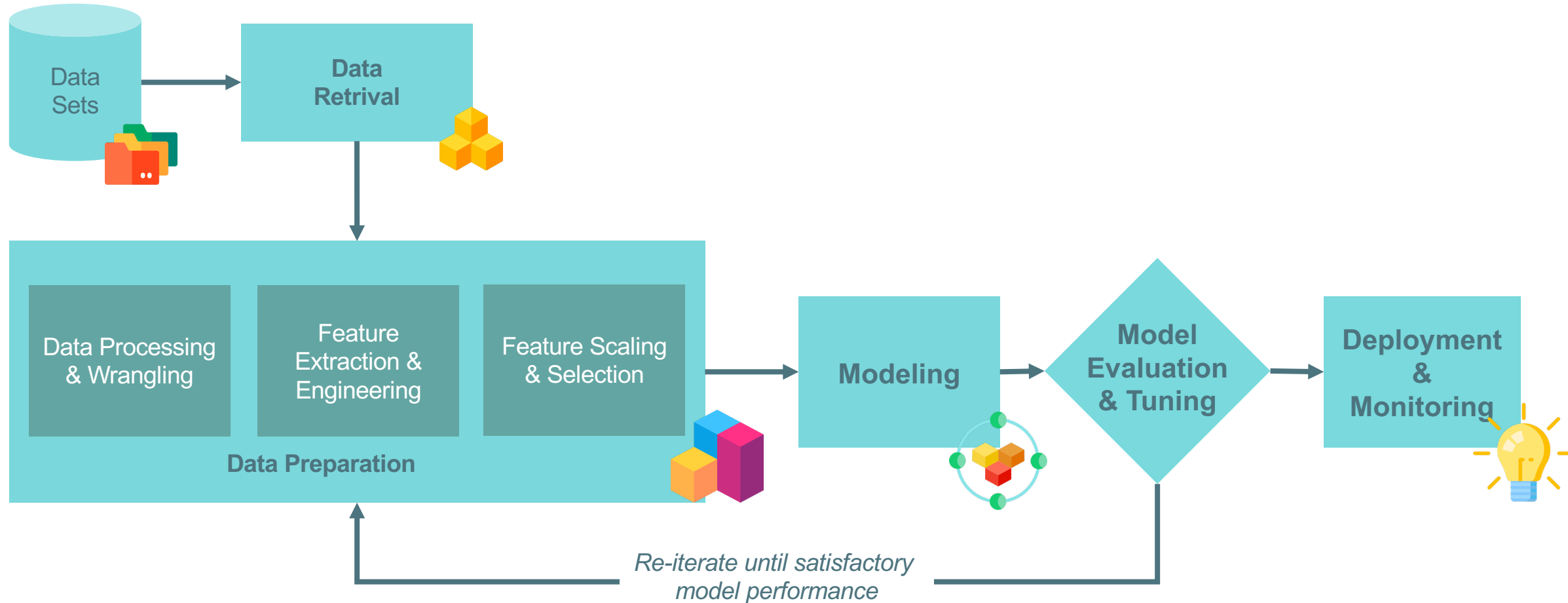
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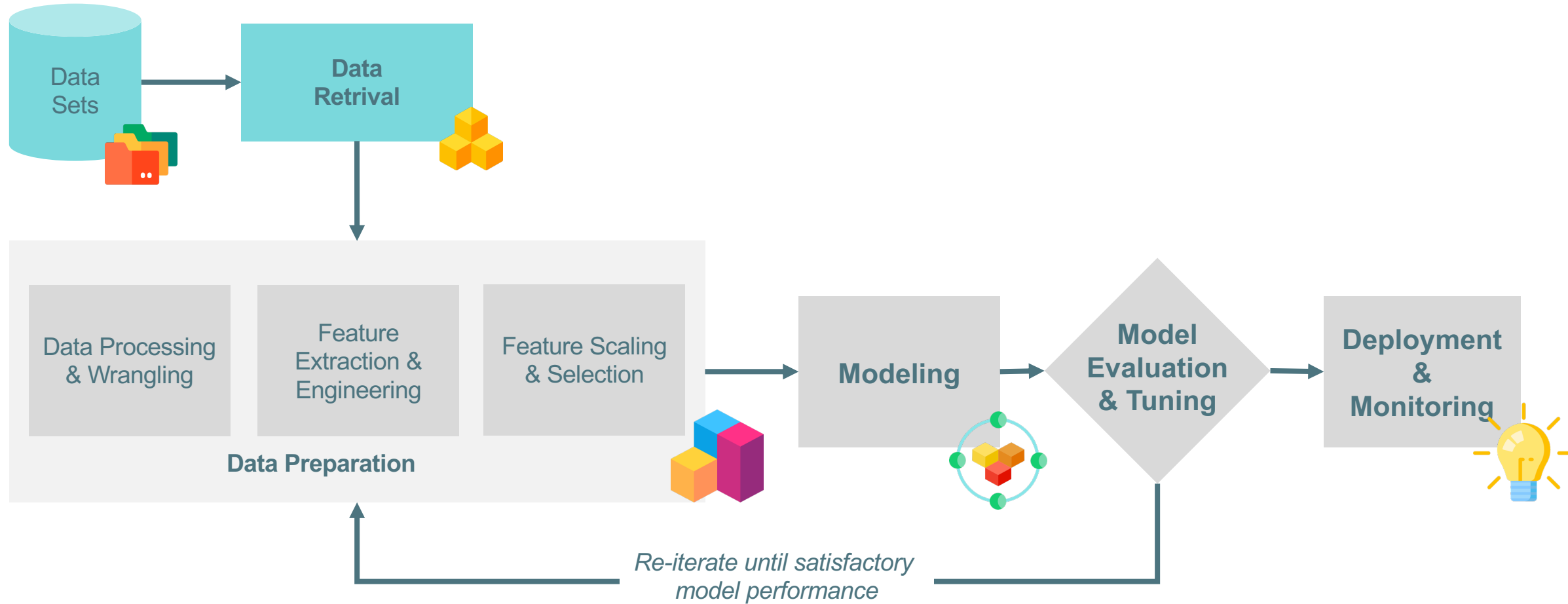
„The Truth is in the Data!“

Collect, examine & evaluate

ML4Prod Process



Data Understanding



Data Understanding by Example



Collect & describe data - SALES FORECAST

Sales reports* and **other data**** on the POS from the last three years serve as the basis for the initial analysis..

* Sales per store per day

** Location, size, employees, distance to competitors, etc.

Data Understanding by Example



Collect & describe data

The sales report and POS data are examined in more detail with the help of an **exploratory data analysis (EDA)**.

The focus is on the question of **which variables have a direct or indirect influence** on sales.

Data Understanding by Example



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Sales Data
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Store Data
(ca. 1100 data records)

Data Understanding by Example



Sales Data (>1 Mio Data Records)

> 1 MIO Data Records
Lots of data! Very nice.

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SALES!
Target variable

INT64?
Which values/ranges
are possible? And what
do they mean??

DATETIME?
For sorting the "Time
Series". But is there
any more info in
there?

OBJECT?
Inconvenient for ML!

Data Understanding by Example



> 1000 DATENSÄTZE
ca 1 Mio of 1000 Stores

Store Data

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STORE!
Merge Reference

COMPETITION?
What semantics?

PROMO2?
What semantics?

NULL?
Why are there no values?

OBJECT?
Inconvenient for ML!

Data Understanding

by Example

Store Data
(ca. 1100 Data Rows)

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The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook environment with the following components:

- Project Structure:** A file explorer on the left shows a project named 'ml-for-production' with subfolders like 'code', 'p0-hands-on', 'p1-exploration', 'p2-professionalisation', 'p3-production', 'playground', 'venv', and 'data'. The 'data' folder contains files like 'store.csv', 'store_states.csv', and 'test.csv'.
- Code Cell:** A code cell with the following Python code:

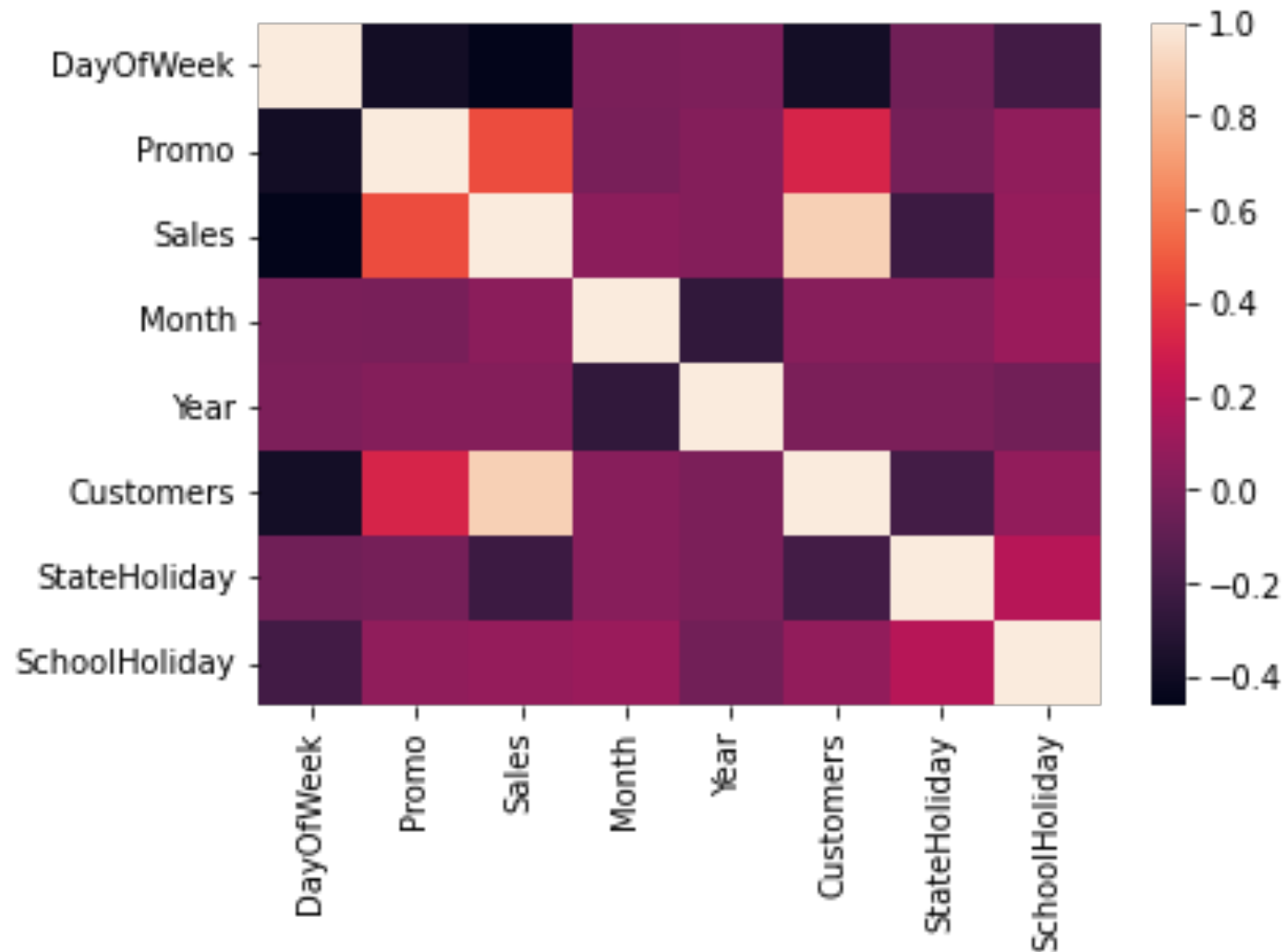
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In 95 1 #visualize correlation using seaborn heatmap (< 1s)
2 sns.heatmap(data = correlation_data)
3 plt.show()
```
- Heatmap:** A heatmap visualization showing the correlation matrix for variables: DayOfWeek, WeekOfYear, Promo, Sales, Month, Year, Customers, and StateHoliday. The color scale ranges from -0.2 (dark purple) to 1.0 (yellow). High positive correlations are visible between 'Sales' and 'Customers', and between 'Sales' and 'StateHoliday'.
- Terminal:** A terminal window at the bottom shows the command: `(anaconda3)larsen@MacBook-Pro-5 deploy-ml-model %`

ENSÄTZE
1000 Stores

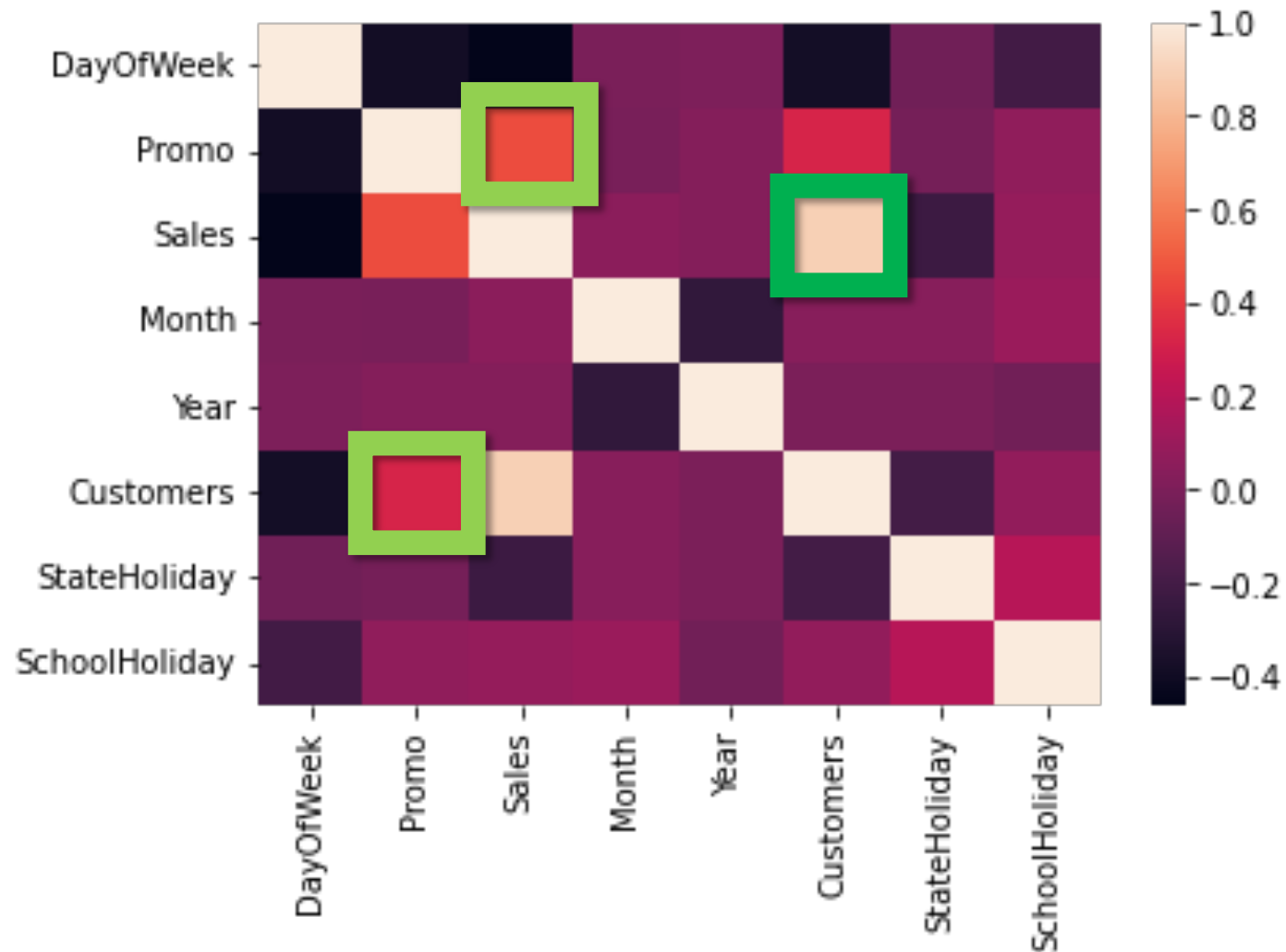
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Product Sales “Correlations”

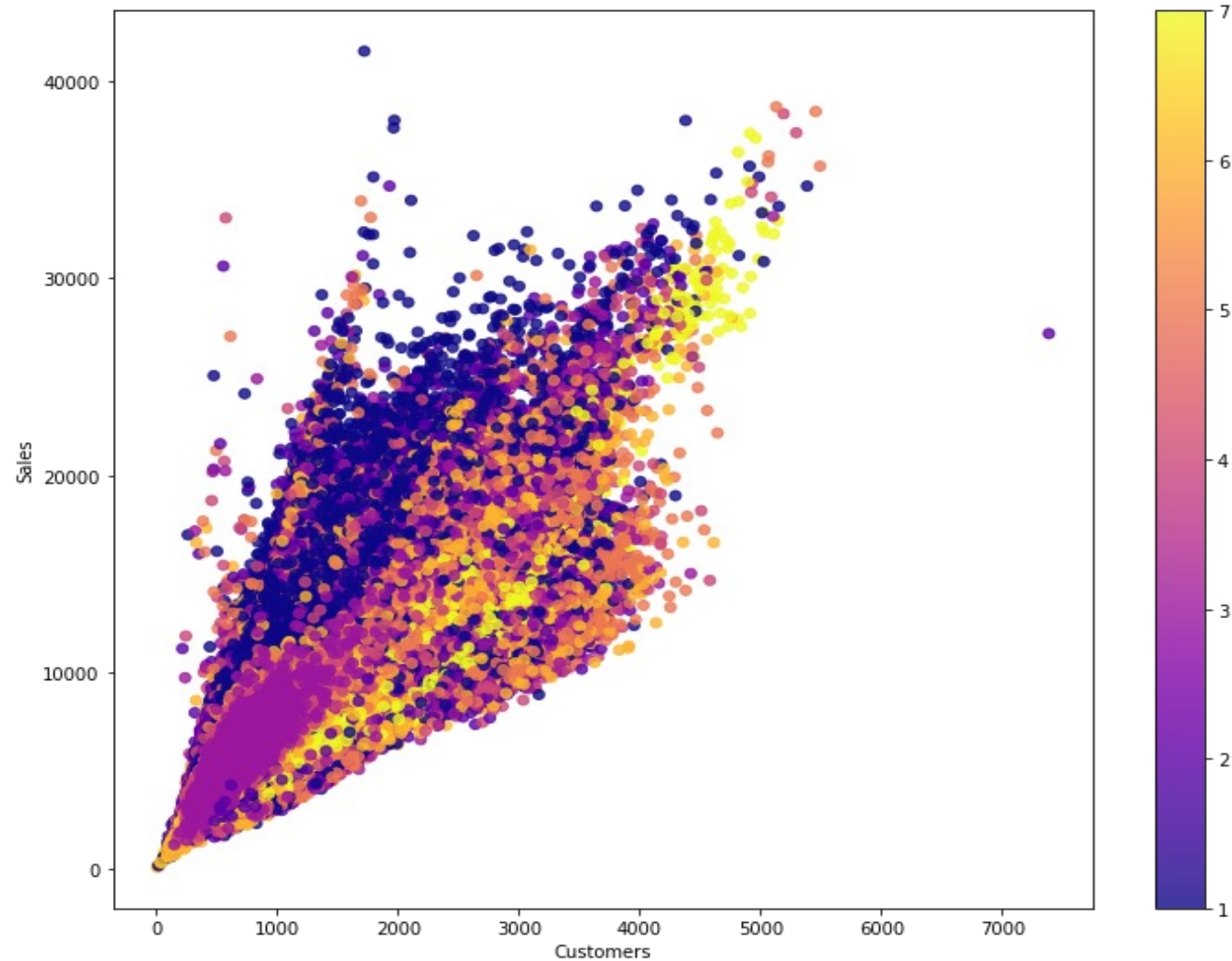


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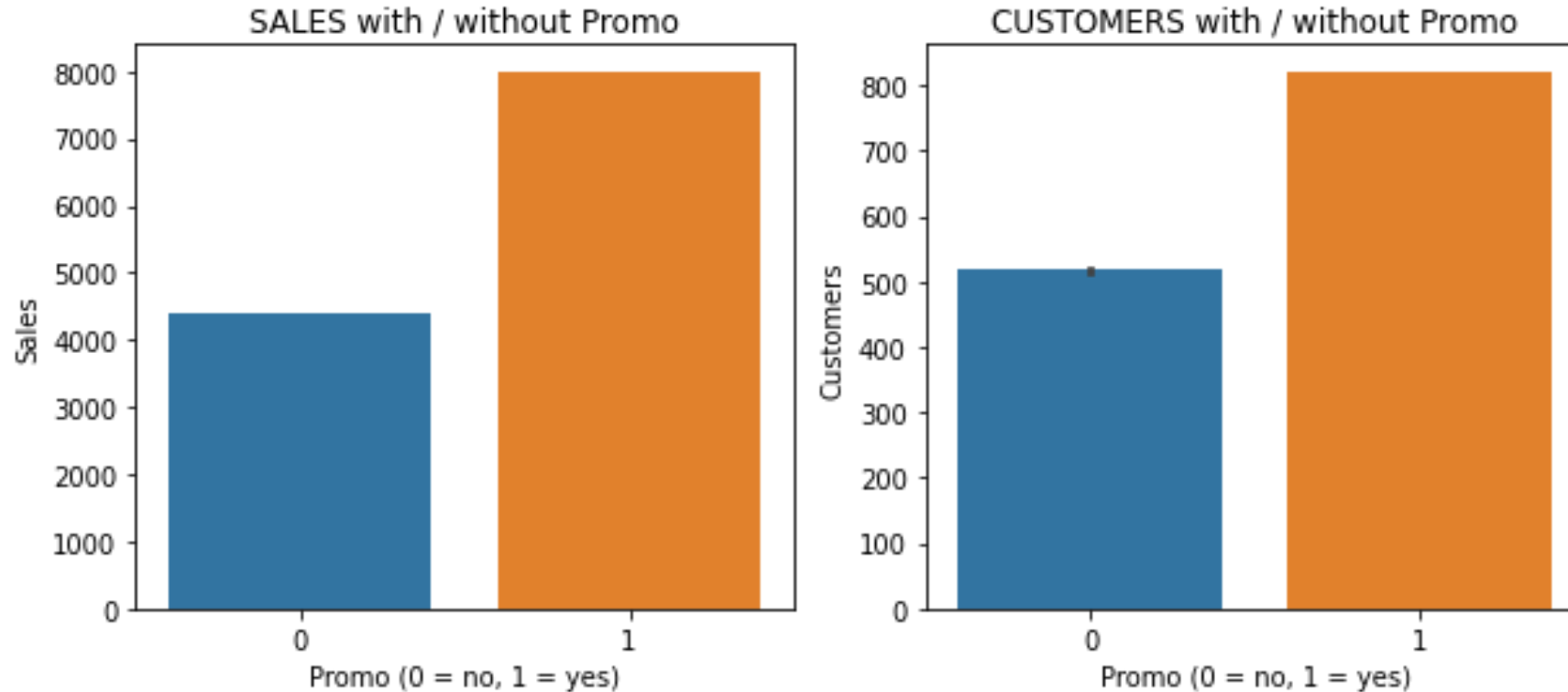


Product Sales “Customer”

As suspected, there is a high correlation between Sales and Customer.

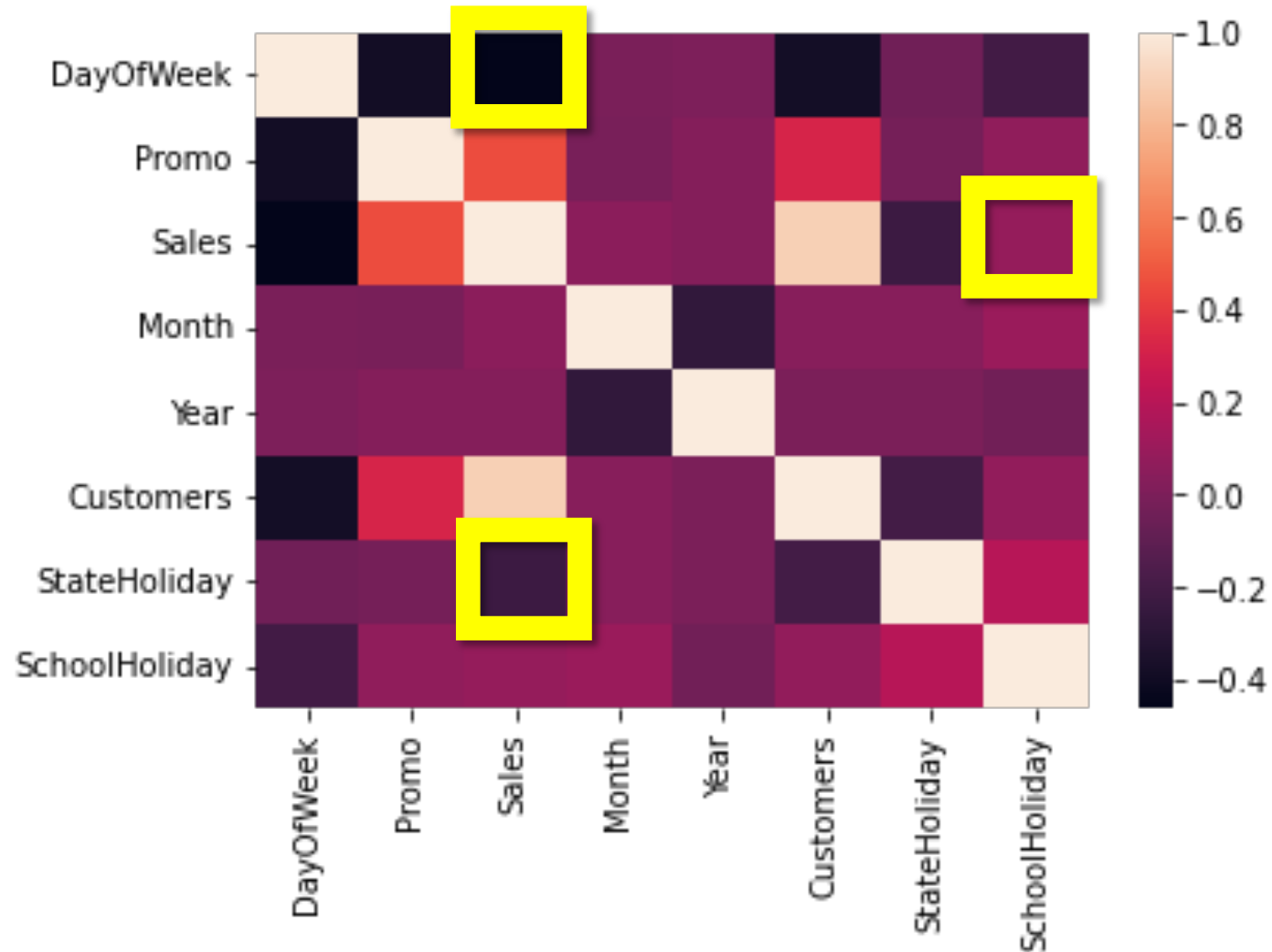


Product Sales “Promo”



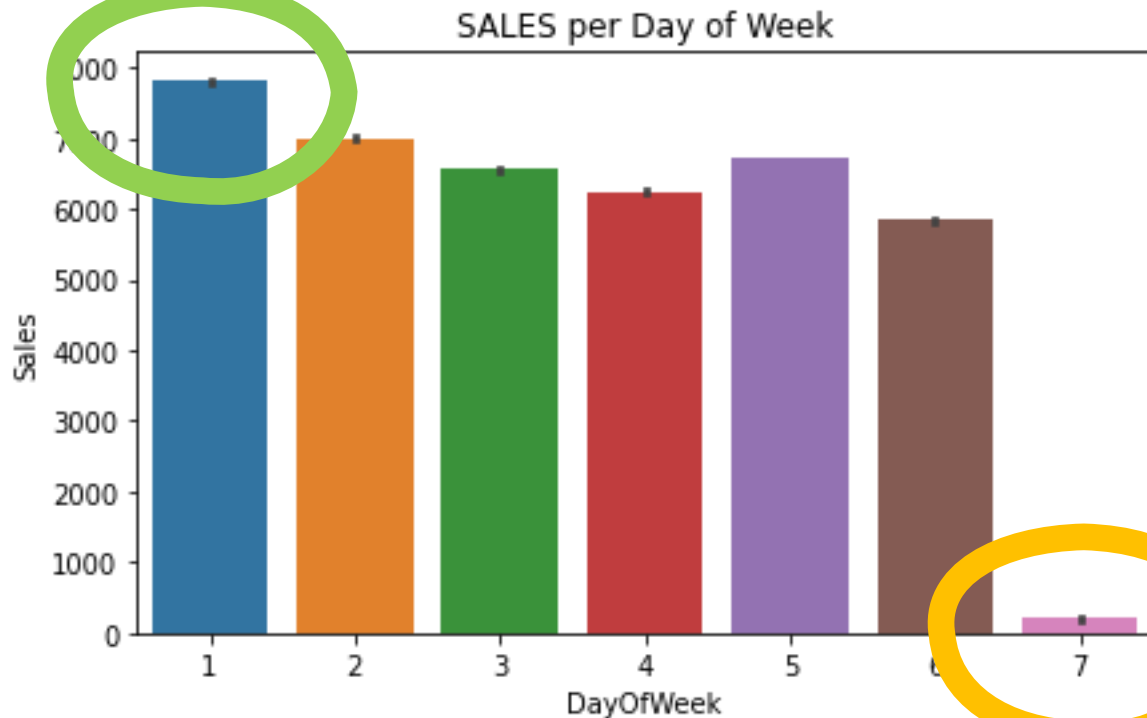
Average value for SALES and CUSTOMERS is significantly higher for PROMO = 1 than for PROMO = 0.

Product Sales “Correlations”



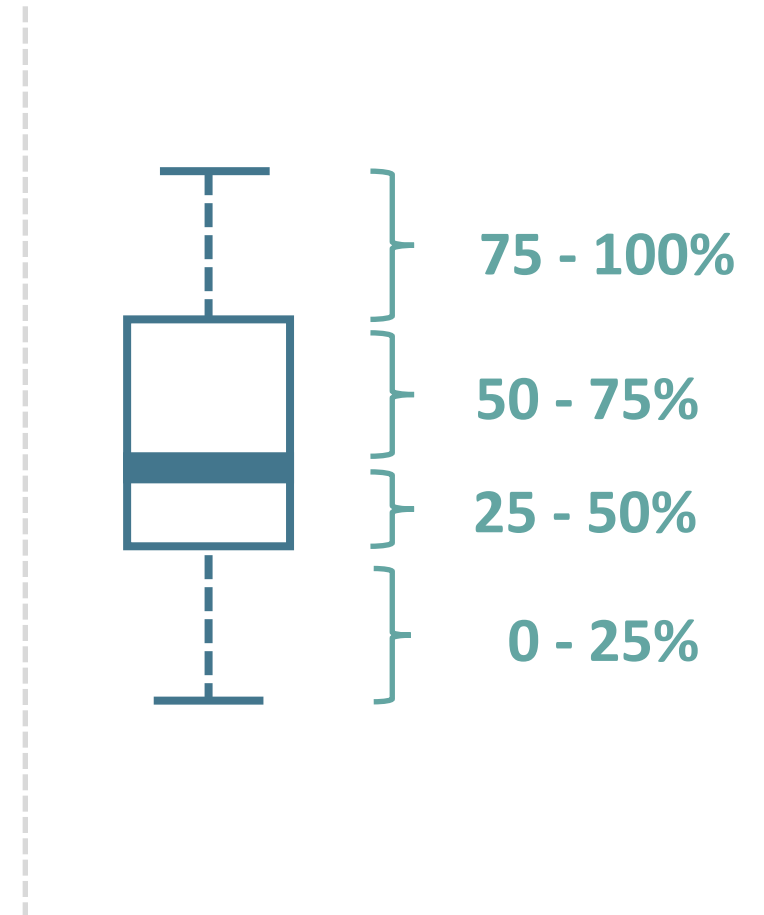
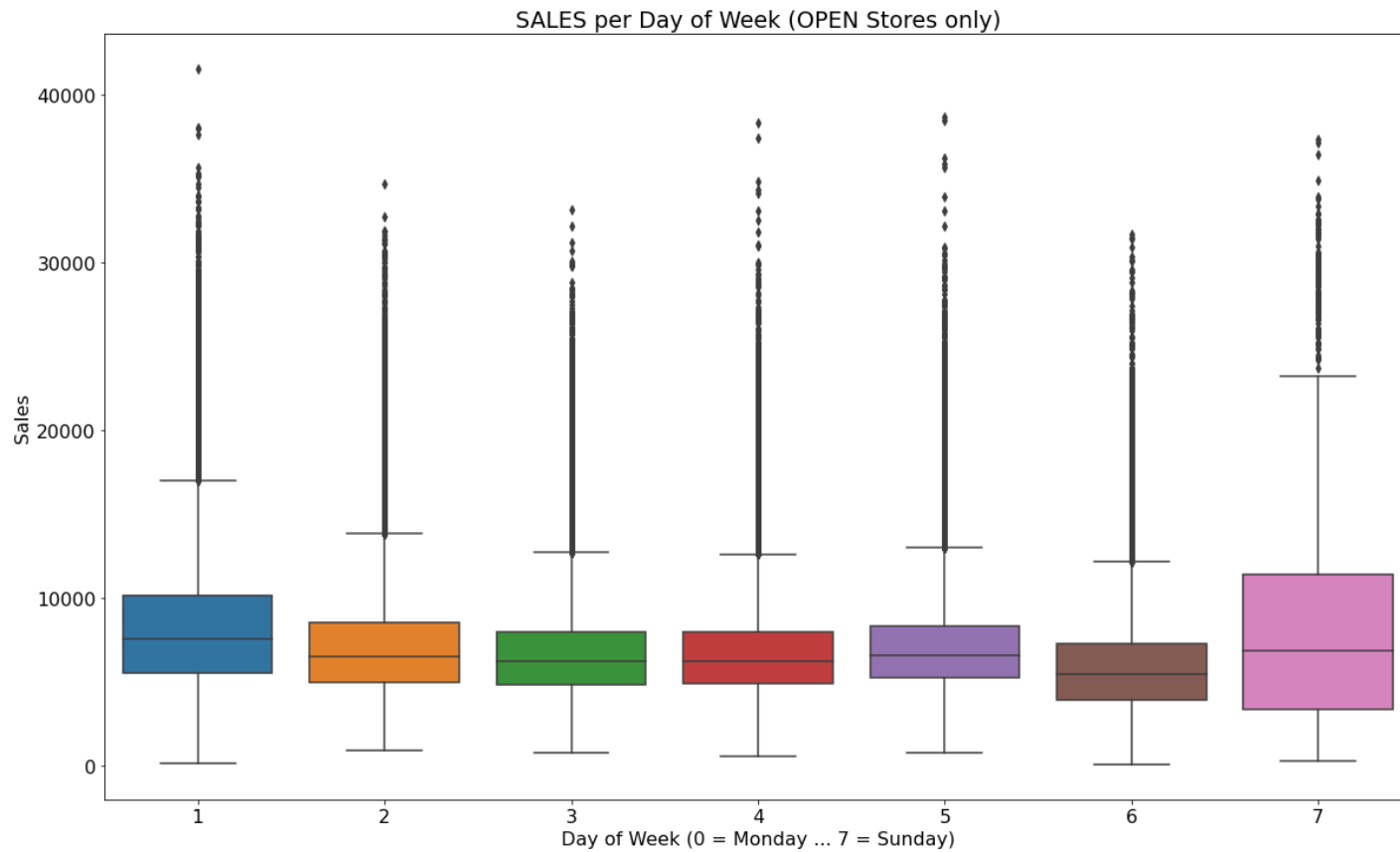
Product Sales “Weekday”

Increased visits / purchases after the weekend

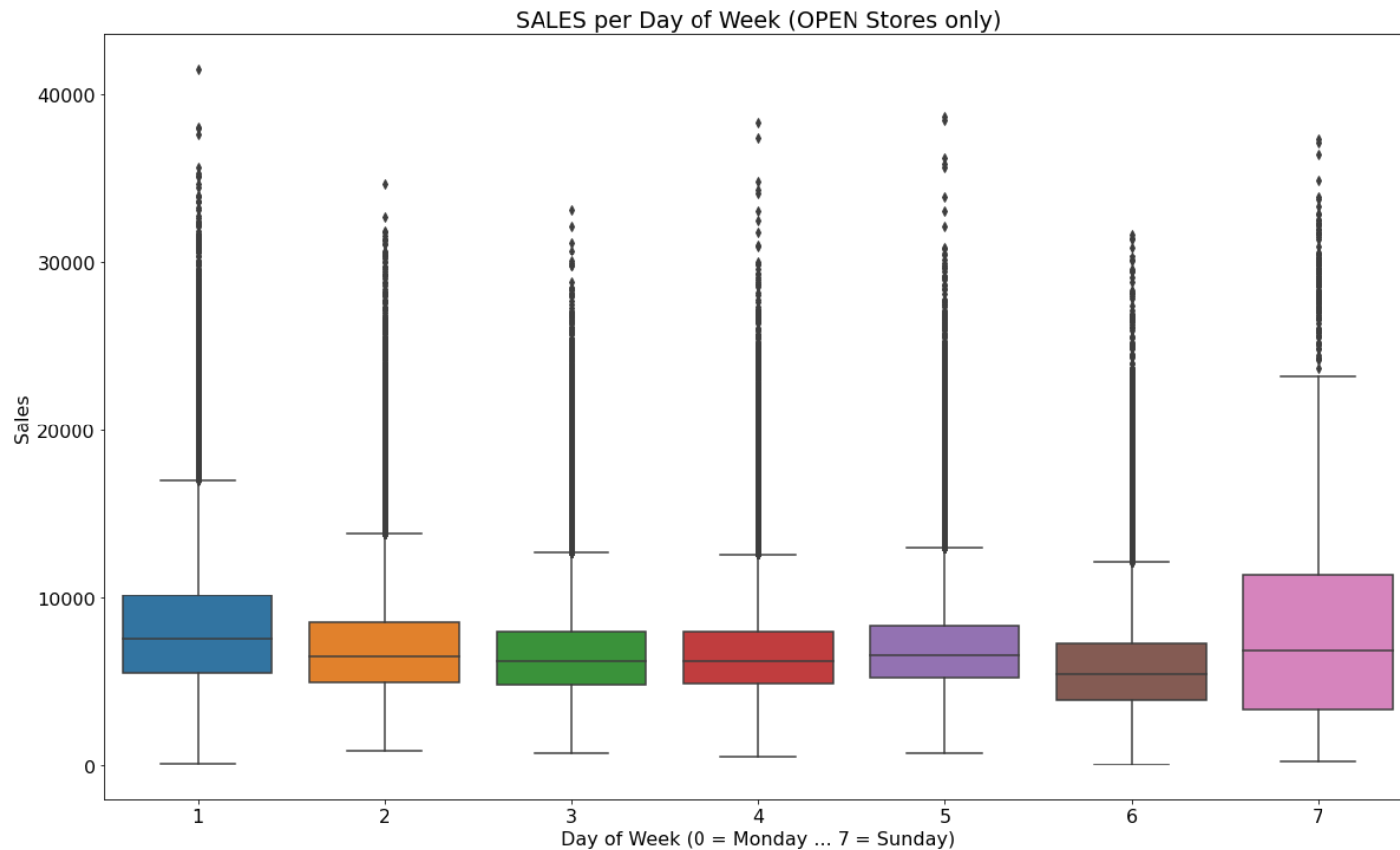


Probably only a few stores are open on Sunday open.

Product Sales “Weekday”



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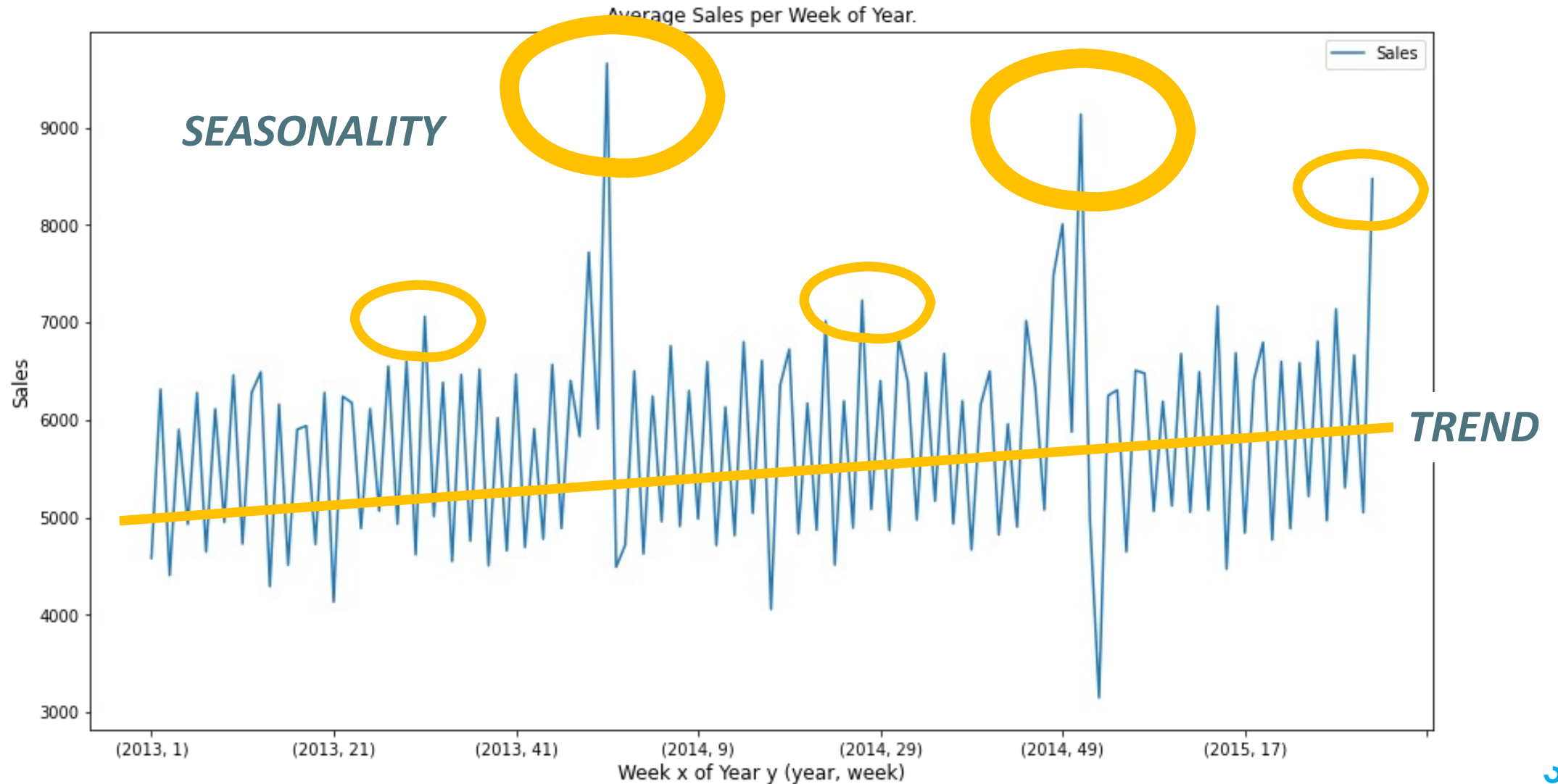


*TUE to FRI
similar pattern*

*SAT, SUN, MON
Individual pattern**

*weekday as own Feature

Product Sales “Seasons”



Data Understanding by Example



Collect & describe data - SALES FORECAST

In addition to **sales reports** from individual POS, there are **numerous other sources** that can be used for ML-based forecasting to paint a more accurate picture.

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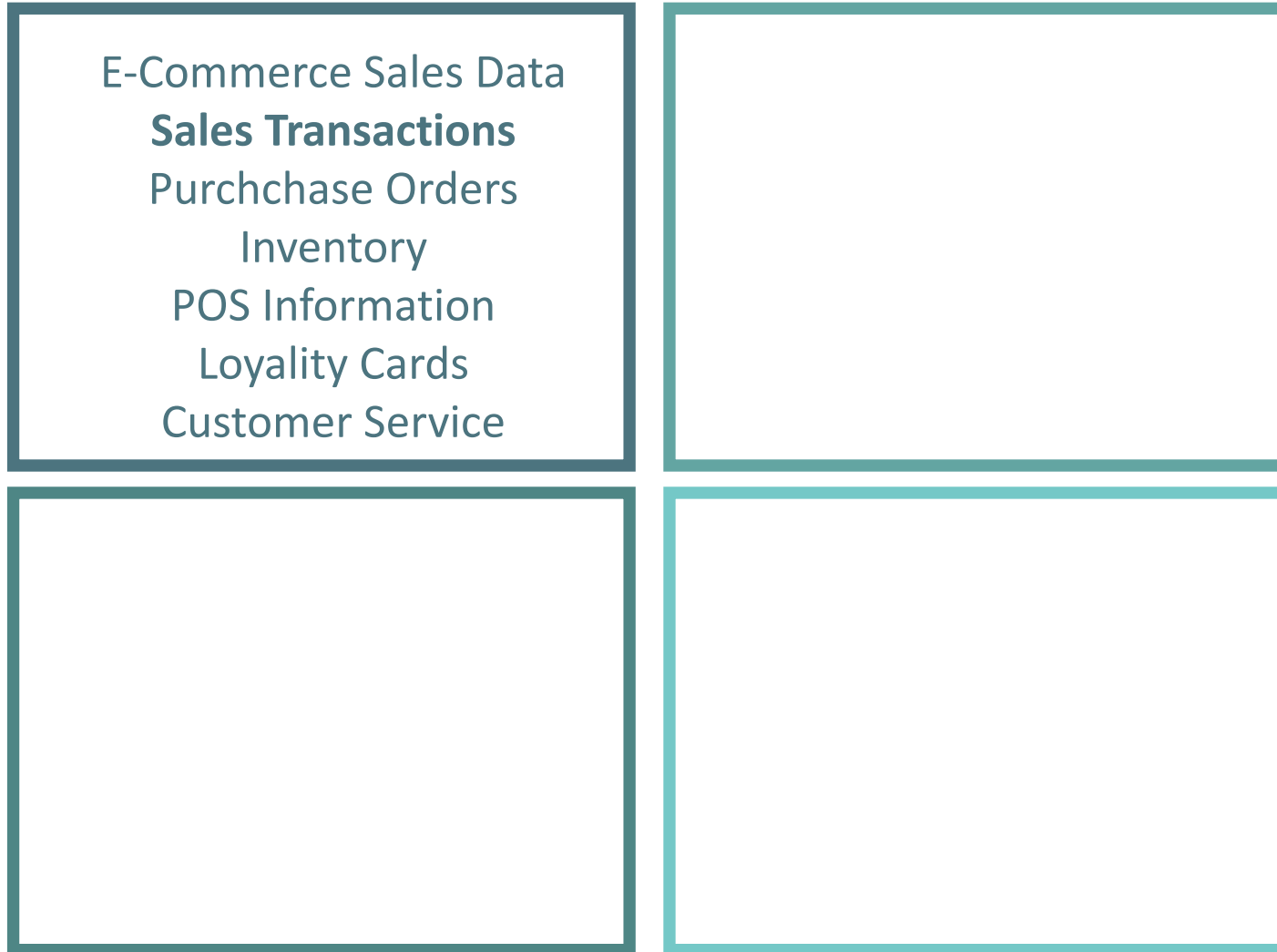


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External Data Sources

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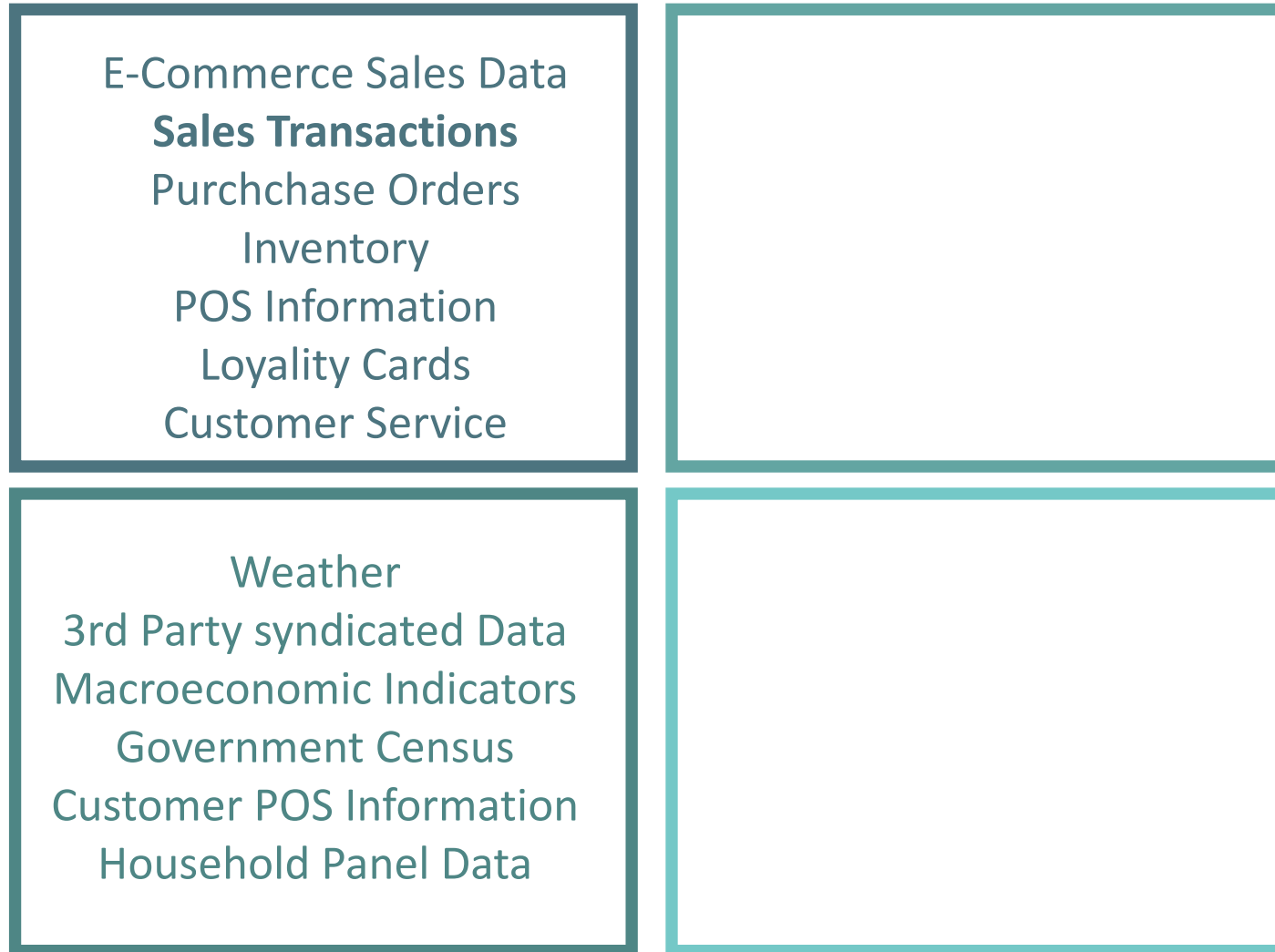


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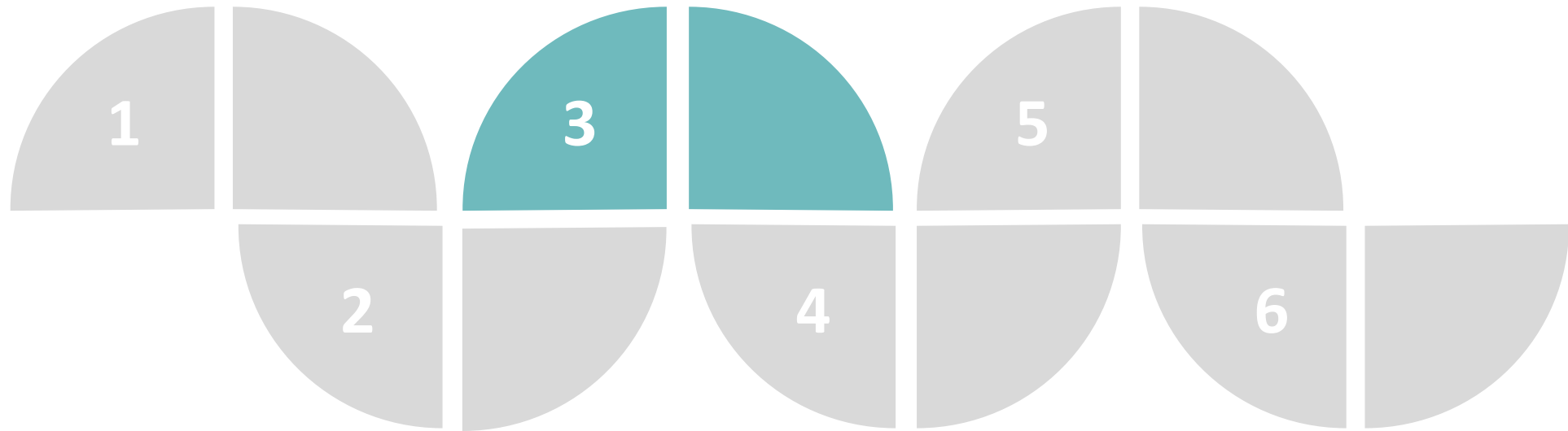


Collect & describe data - SALES FORECAST

The data must be analyzed in advance for many **quality factors**:

**Availability, Completeness, Accuracy,
Validity, Consistency, Relevance,
Granularity, Cost**

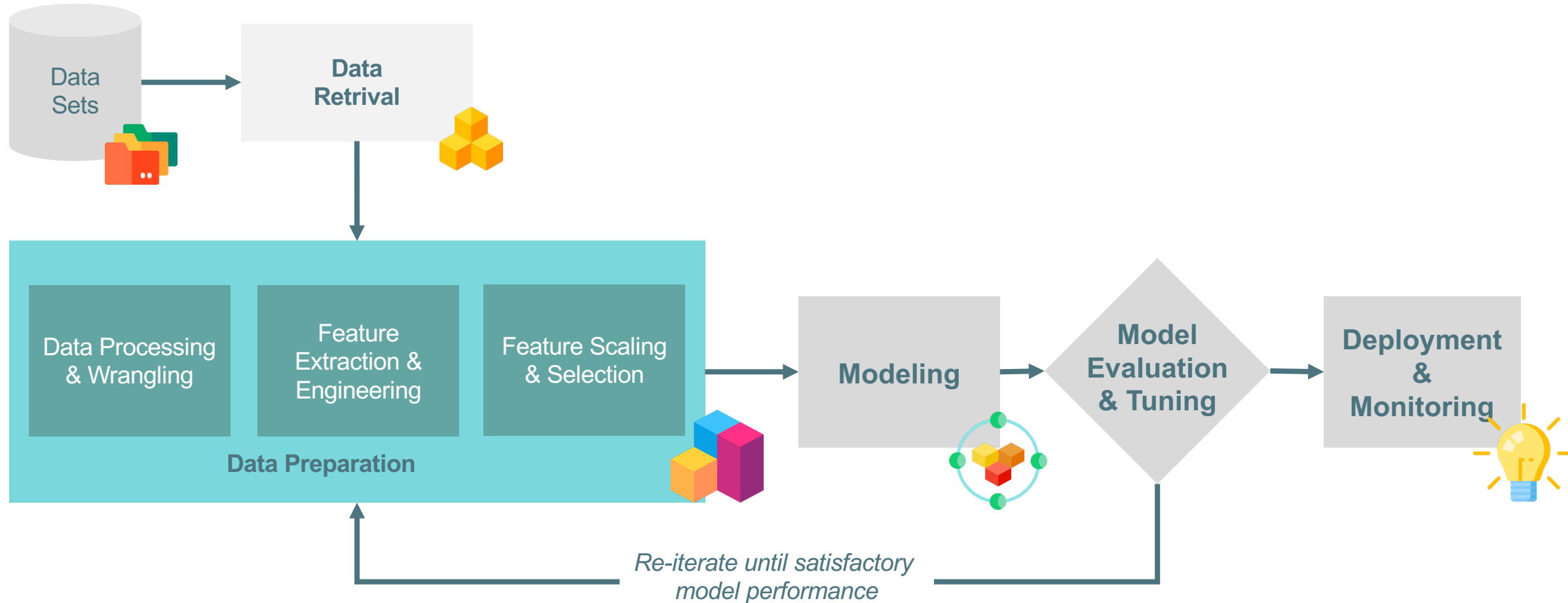
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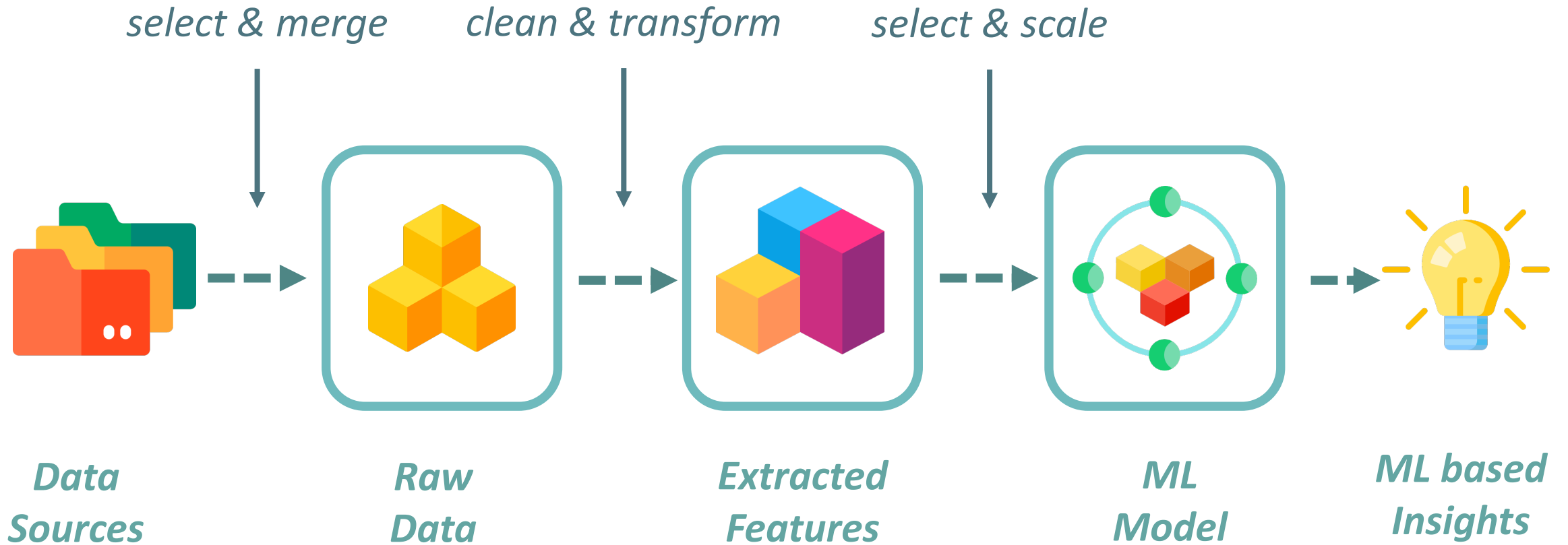
**„ Quantity is not
equal to Quality!“**

Select, transform & clean data

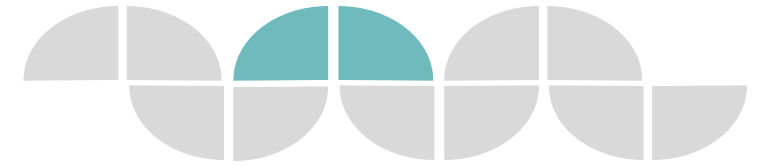
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Data Collection



Data Preprocessing



Data Transformation*

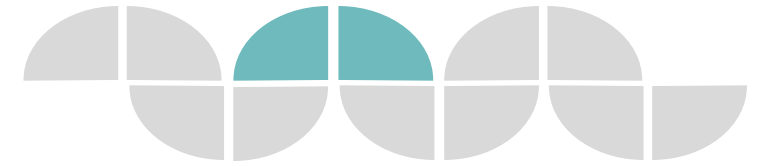
*aka Feature Engineering / Selection

- name problem
- define data
- collect and combine data

- format
- validate
- clean
- sample
- type
- refine

- scale
- normalize
- split
- aggregate
- encode
- ...

Data Preparation



What exactly are these **features**?

What does **Feature Engineering** mean?

And what is the difference to **Feature Selection**?

Data Preparation

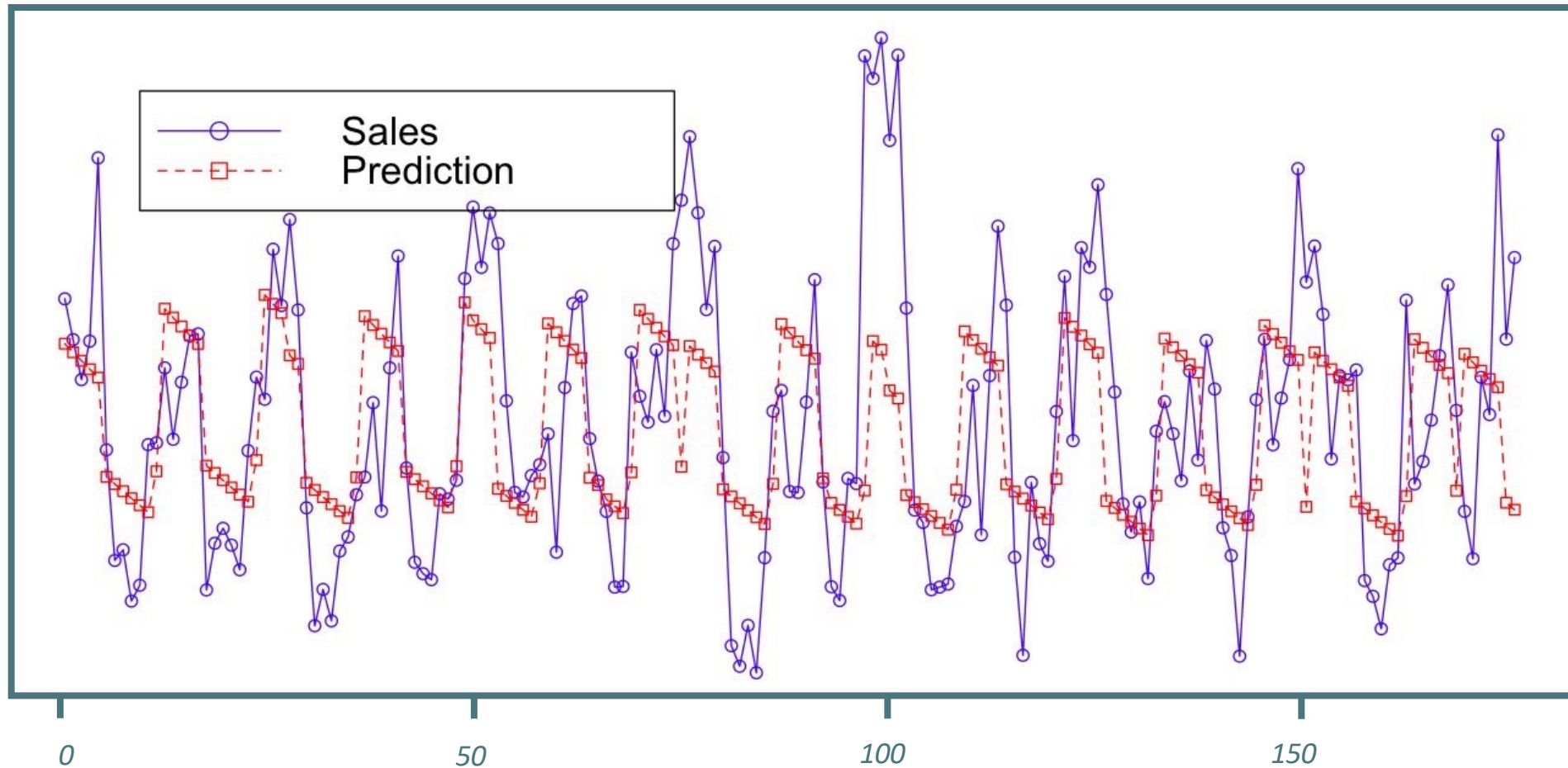


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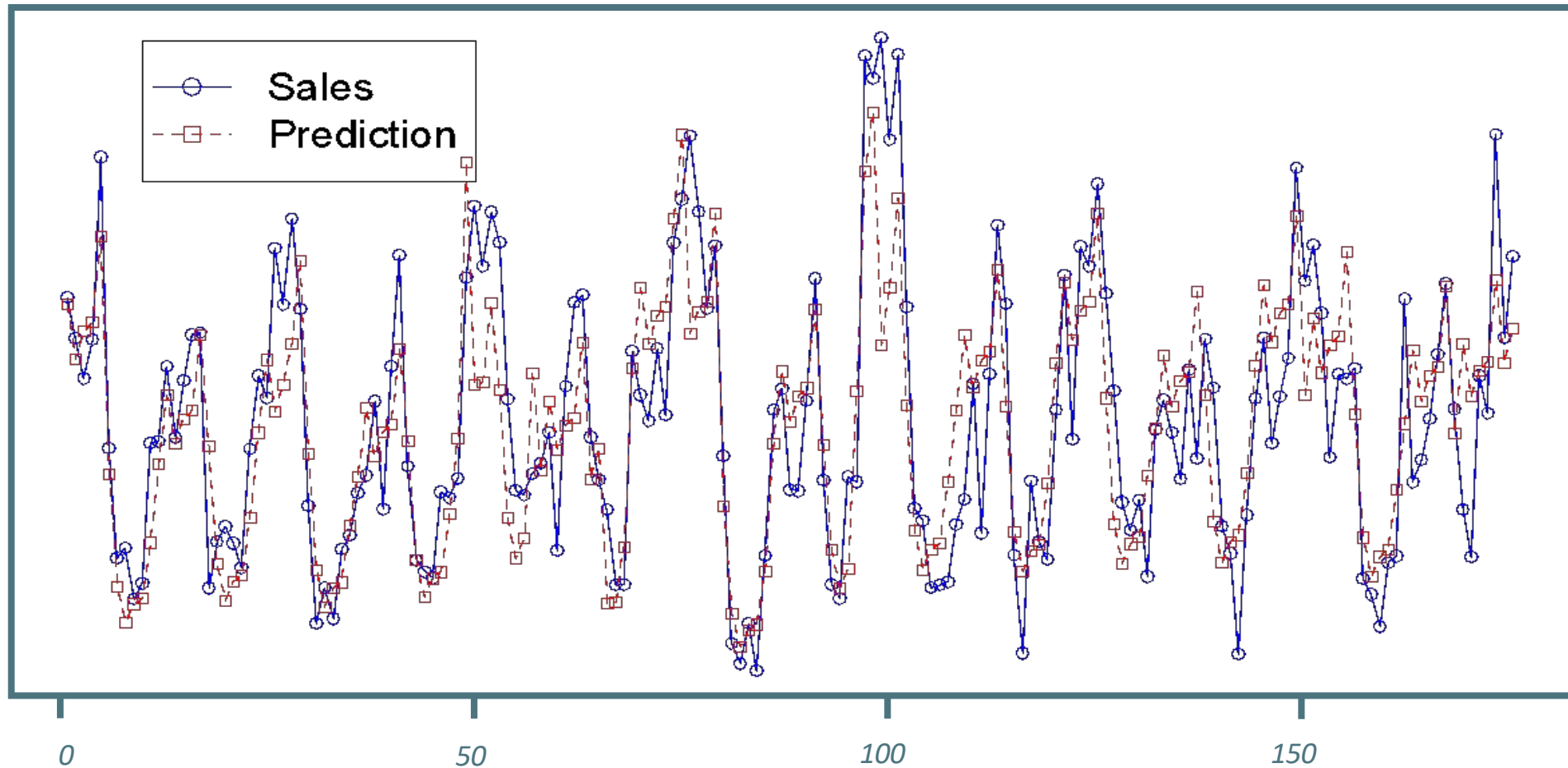
*YOU: "But that sounds **damn elaborate!** Does it have to be? We're dealing with **artificial intelligence**, after all! Surely the model can do that on its own, right?"*

*ME: "YES and NO! Feature Engineering / Selection is an **essential part of the ML4Prod pipeline** to optimize the model. In this way, we give the model hints on what it should pay attention to."*

Sales Prediction without additional Features



Sales Prediction with additional Features



Data Preparation



The Art of Feature Engineering & Selection

„As many as necessary and as few as possible.“

- as many as necessary leads to **good results**
- as few as possible leads to **good performance**

Data Preparation



Feature Selection for everyone?

„There is a tool for it ...“

- FeatureTools*
- FeatureSelector**

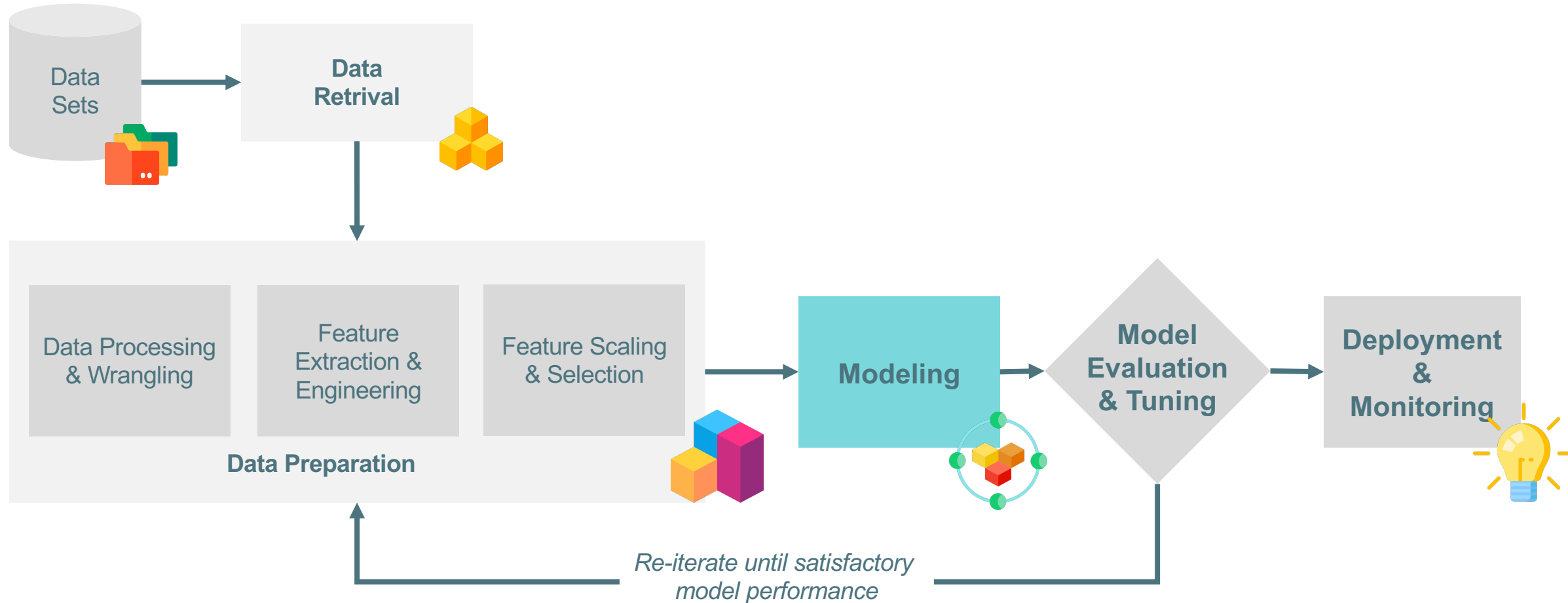
Analysis & Modeling



**„Which model
suits me best?“**

Select, train & evaluate model

Analysis & Modeling



Analysis & Modeling



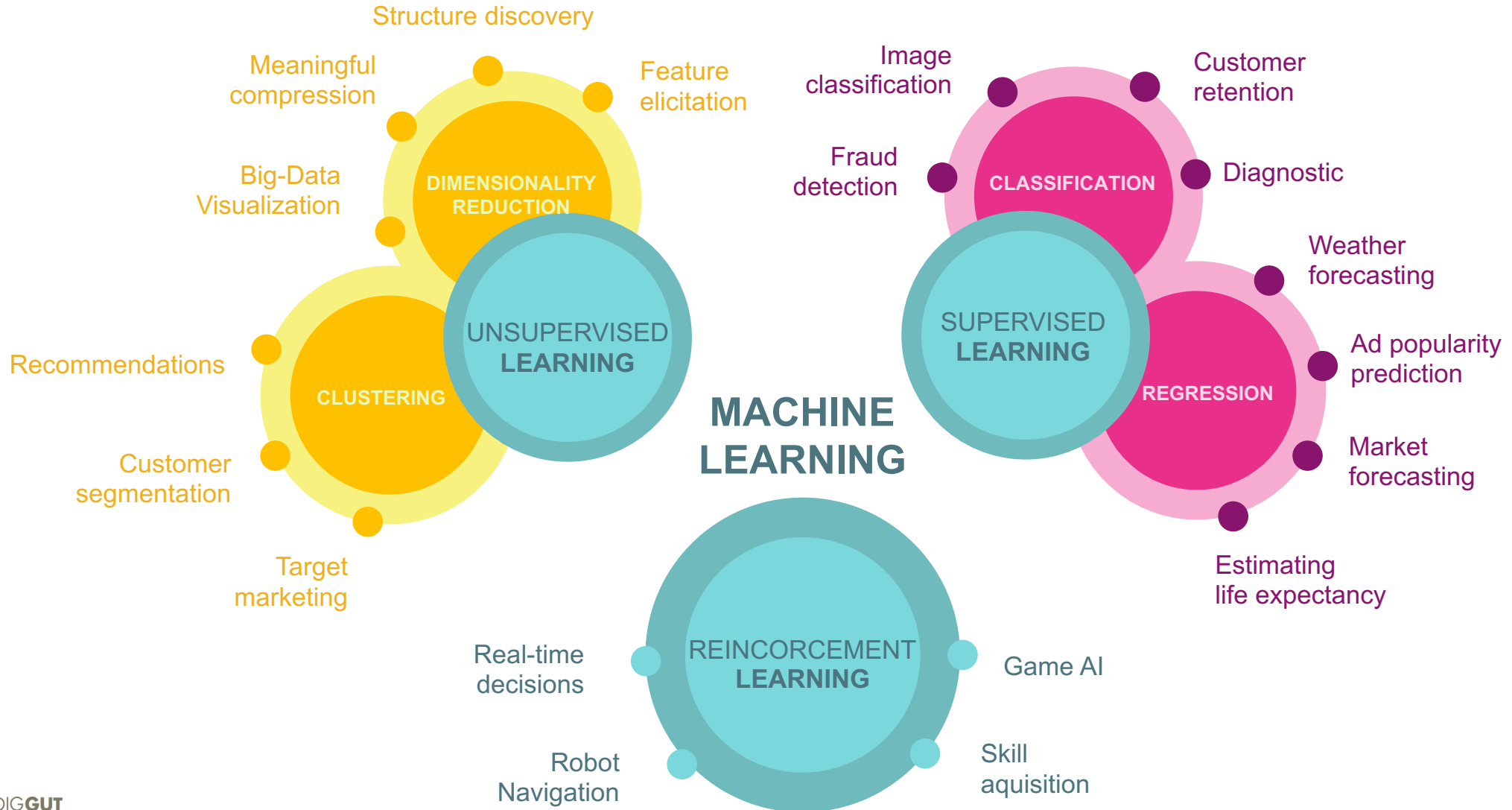
Germany's Next Top Model?

Easier said than done!

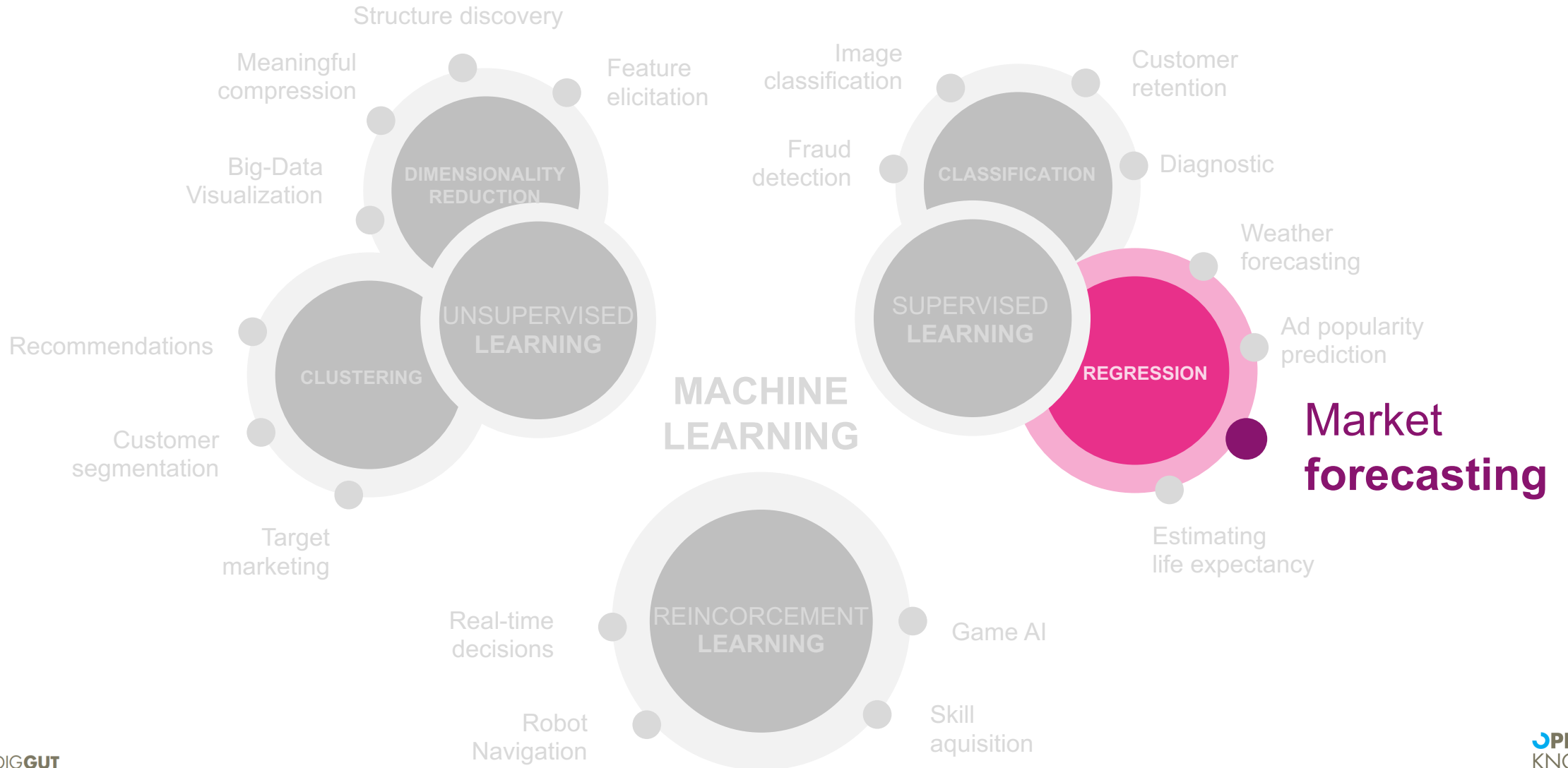
Where is the best place to start?

And how?

Analysis & Modeling



Analysis & Modeling



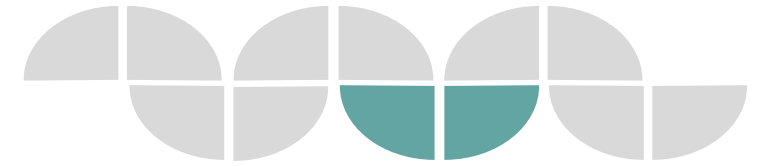
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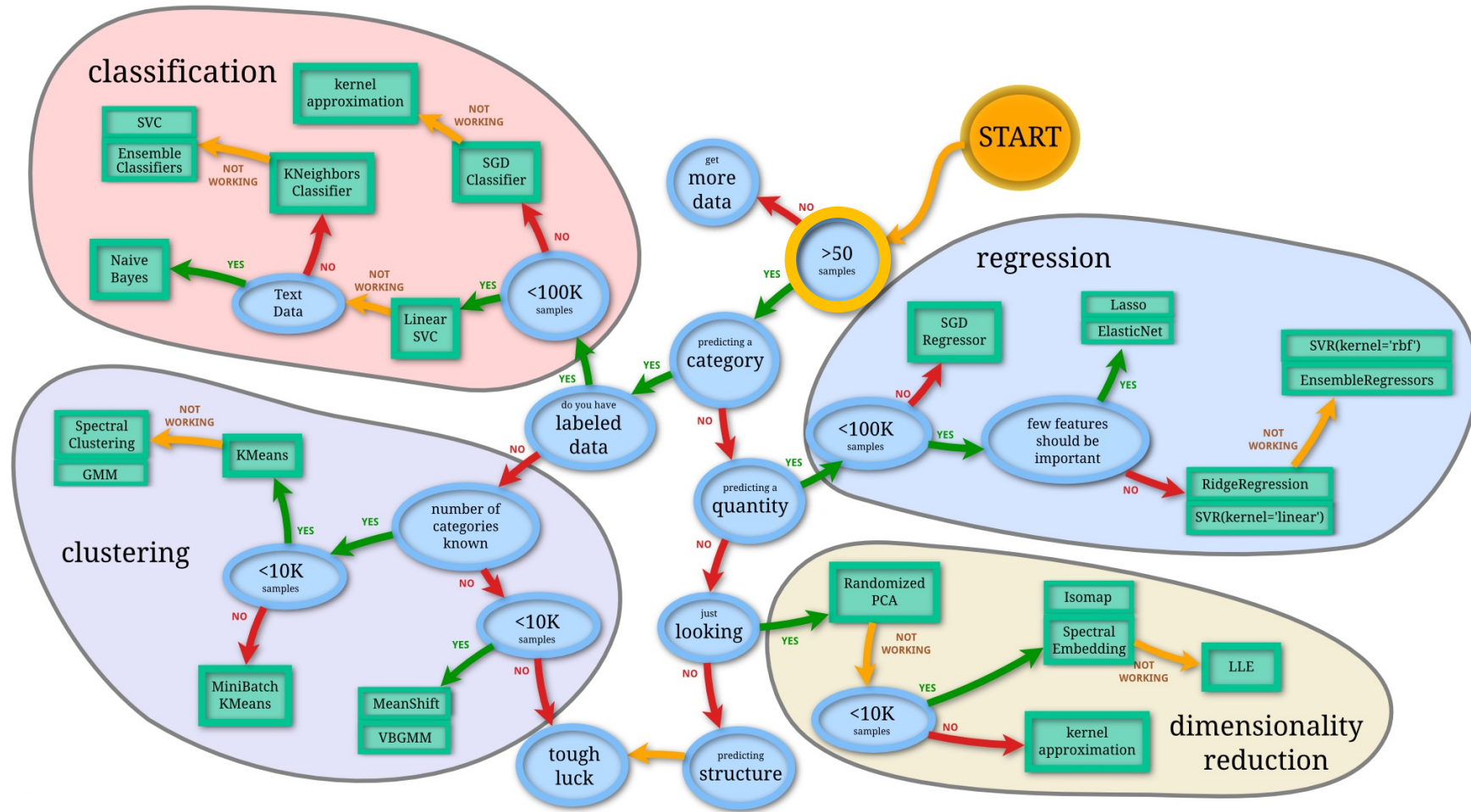
ML Regressors

If **values for the future** are to be predicted on the basis of values from the past, **regression algorithms** are usually used.

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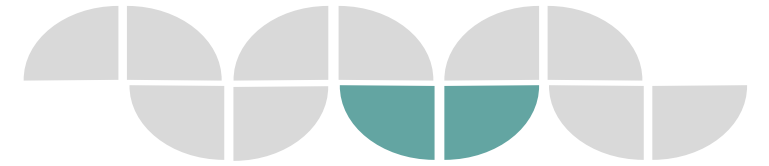


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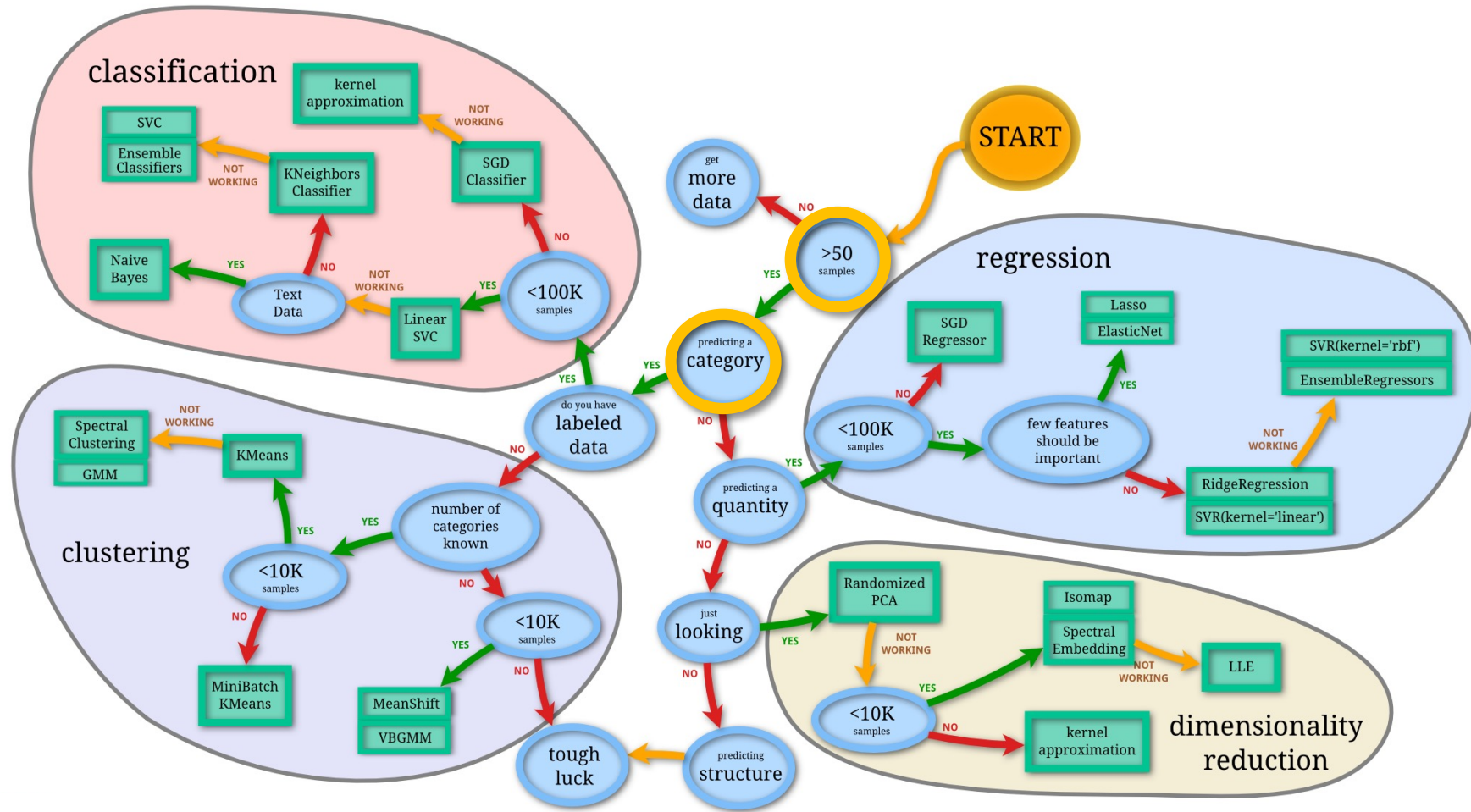


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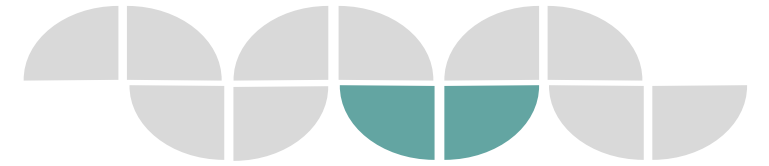


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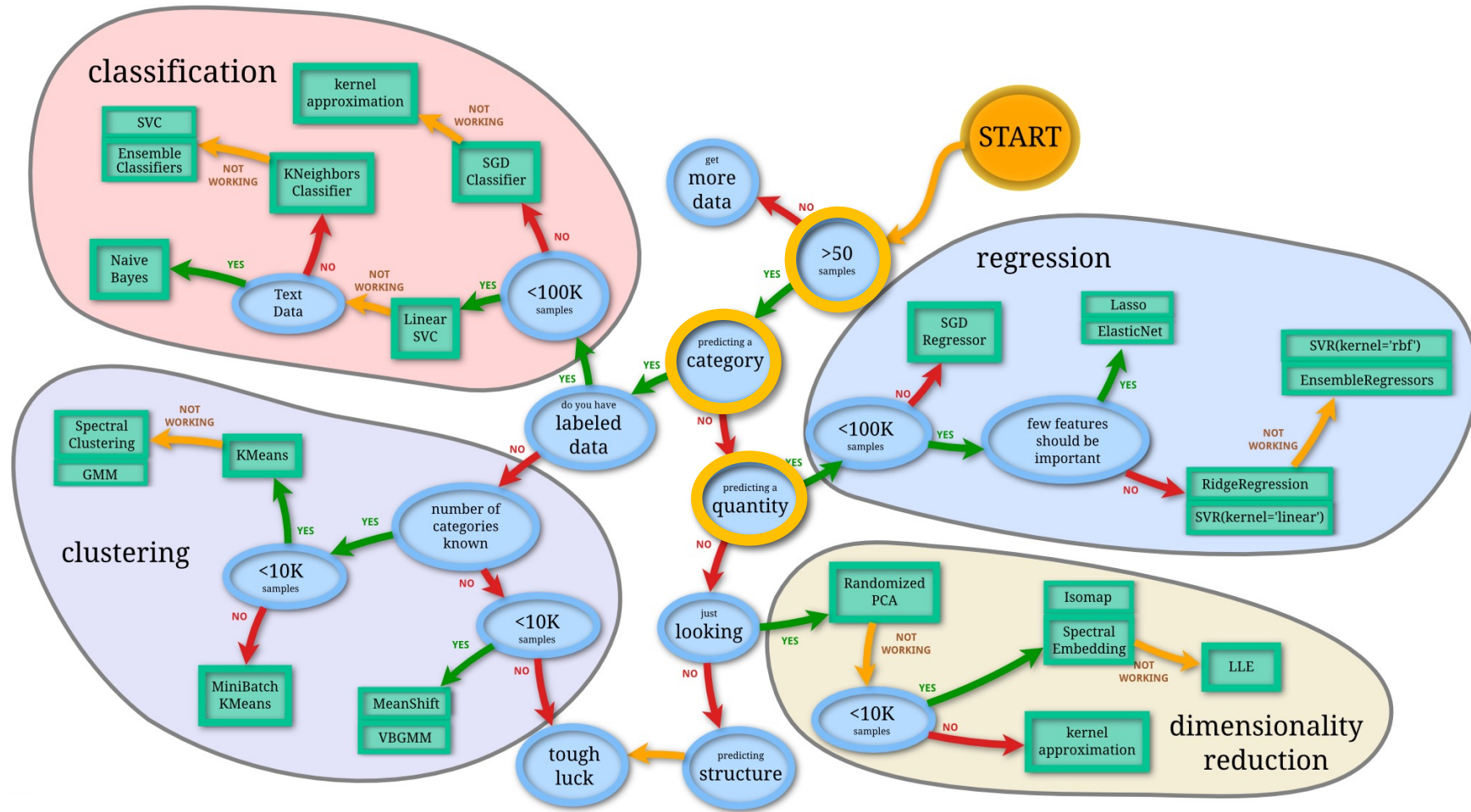


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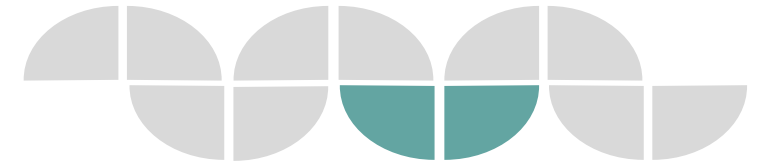


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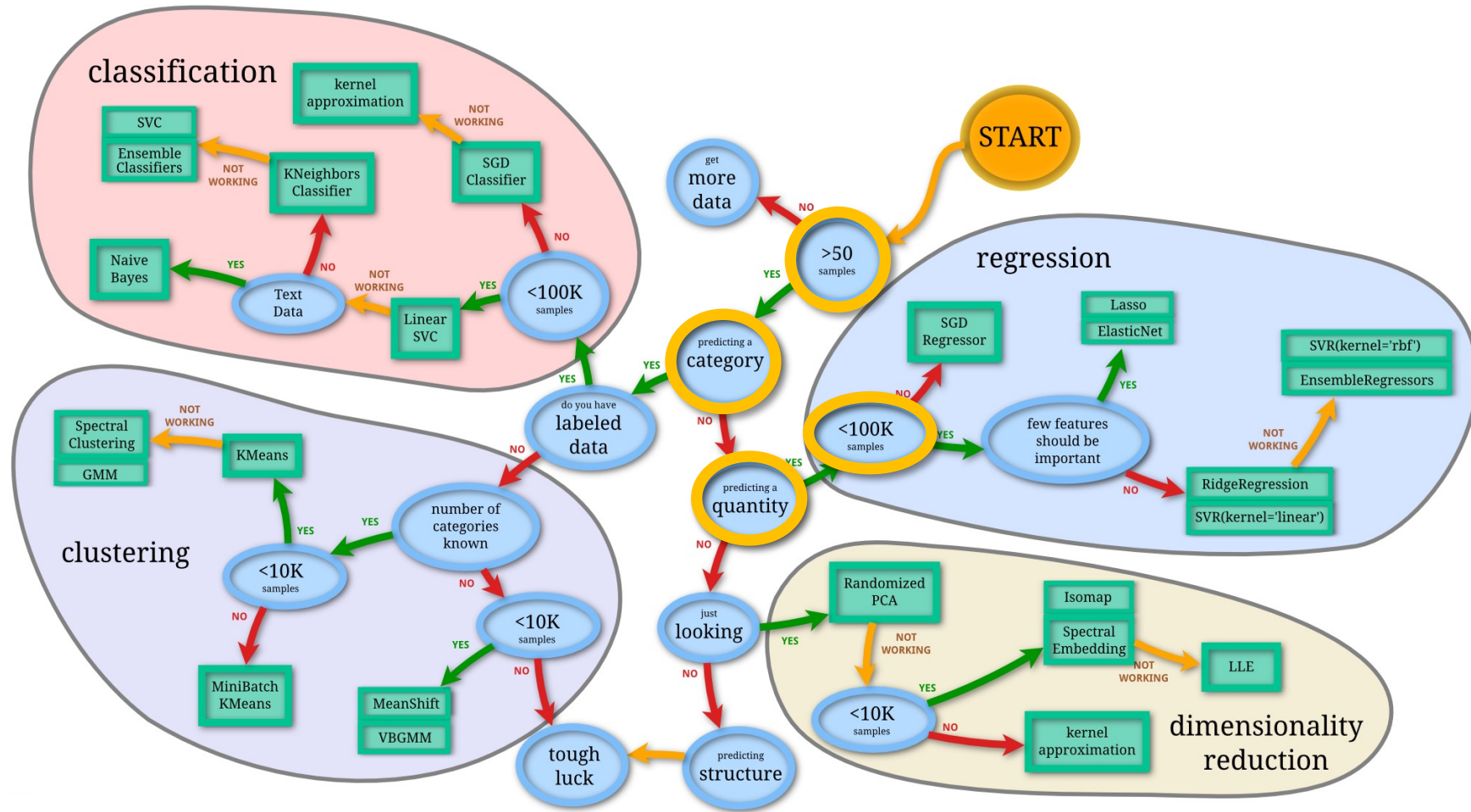


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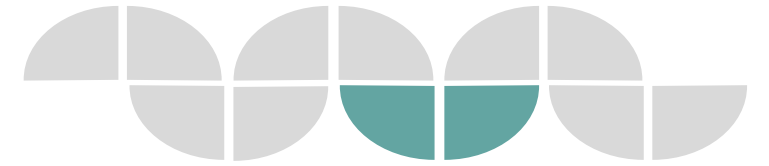


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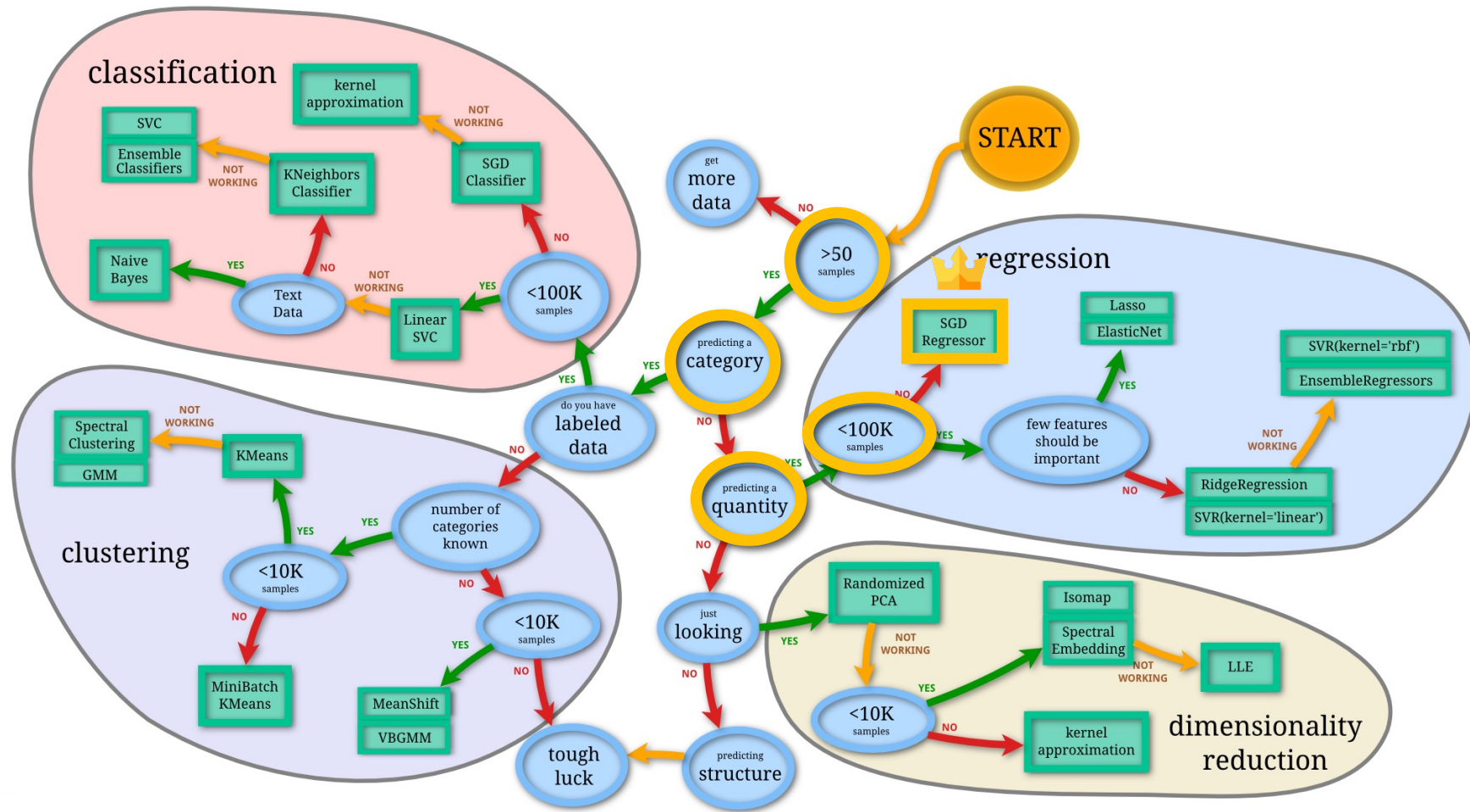


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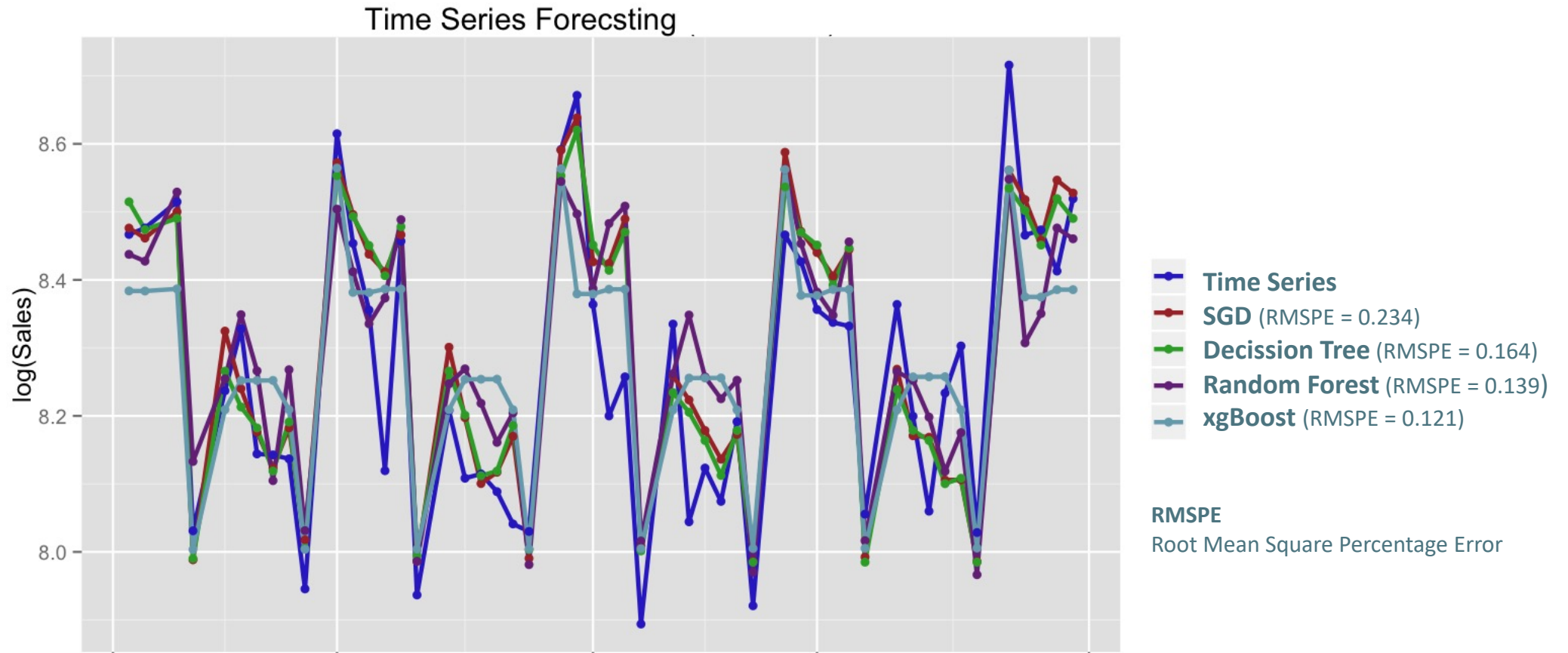
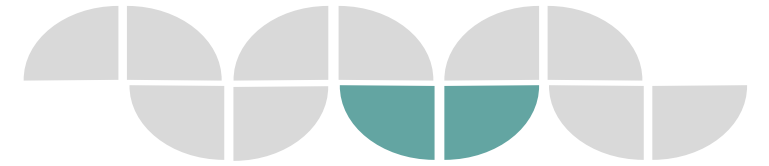
Analysis & Modeling by Example



Models on the shortlist (Regressors)

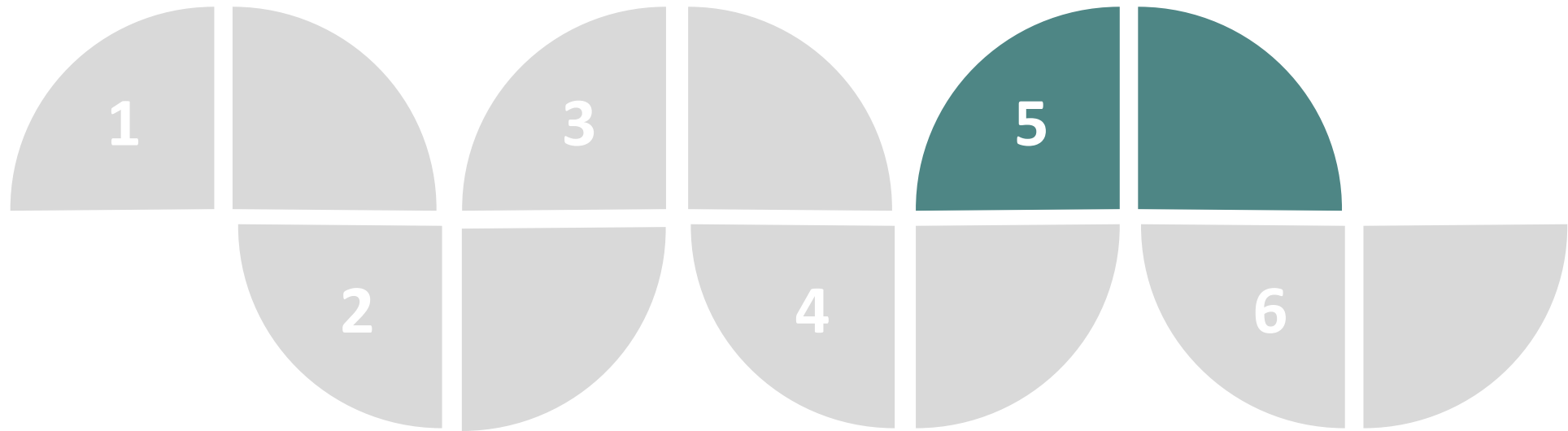
- **SGD Regressor** (linear Regressor)
- **Decision Tree Regressor** (single Decision Tree)
- **Random Forest Regressor** (multiple parallel Decision Trees)
- **xgBoost Regressor** (multiple sequential Decision Trees)

Analysis & Modeling by Example



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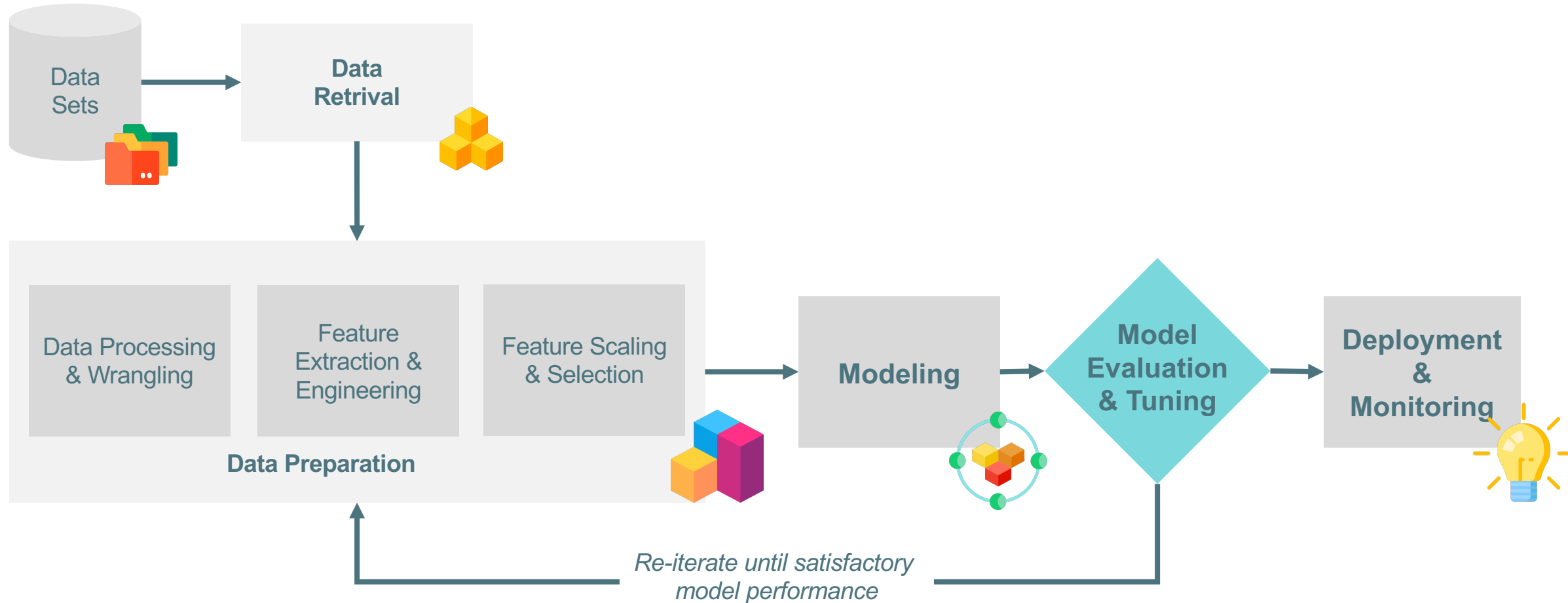
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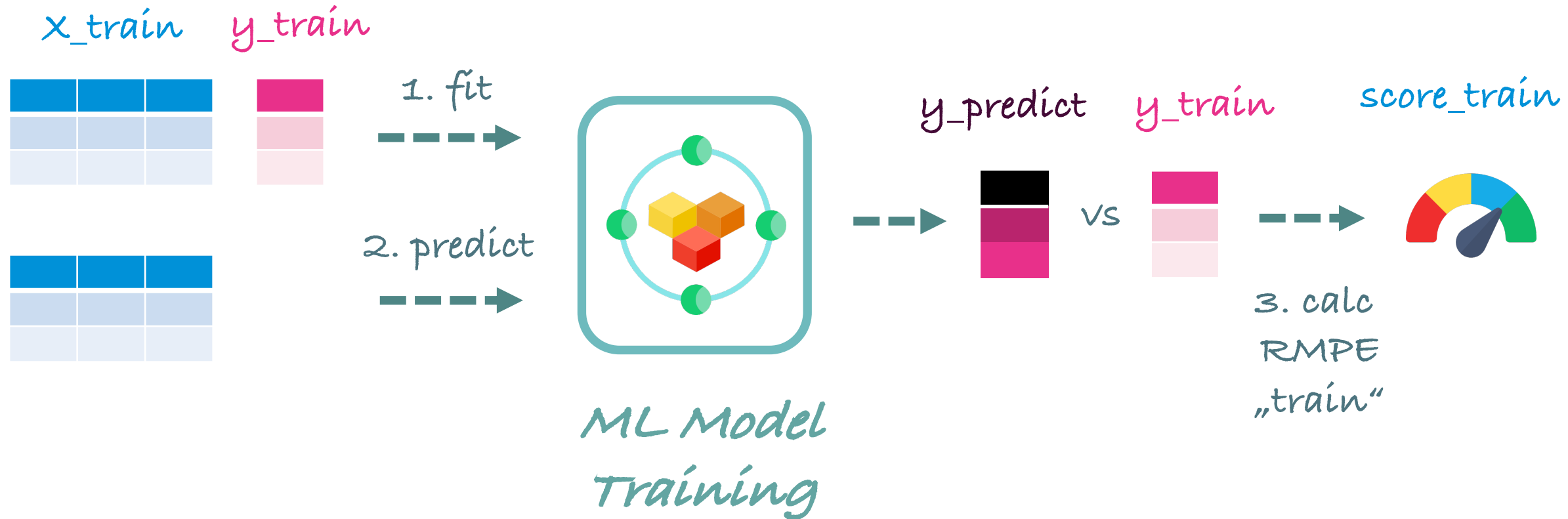
**„ Is GOOD also
GOOD enough?“**

Model Quality vs. Project Goal

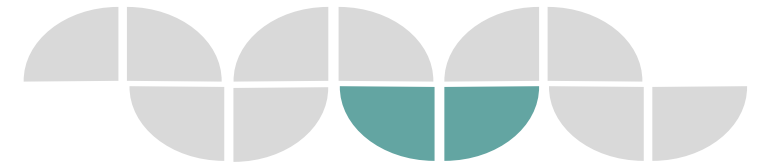
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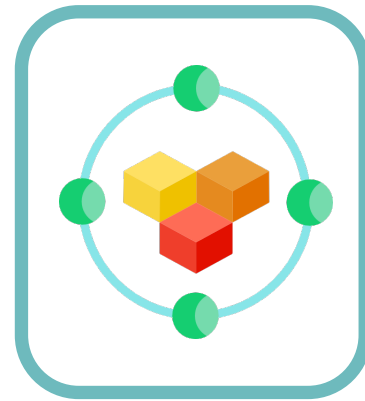
QA & Validation by Example



QA & Validation by Example



4. predict
→



ML Model
Training



5. calc
RMPE
„test“



QA & Validation by Example



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QA & Validation by Example



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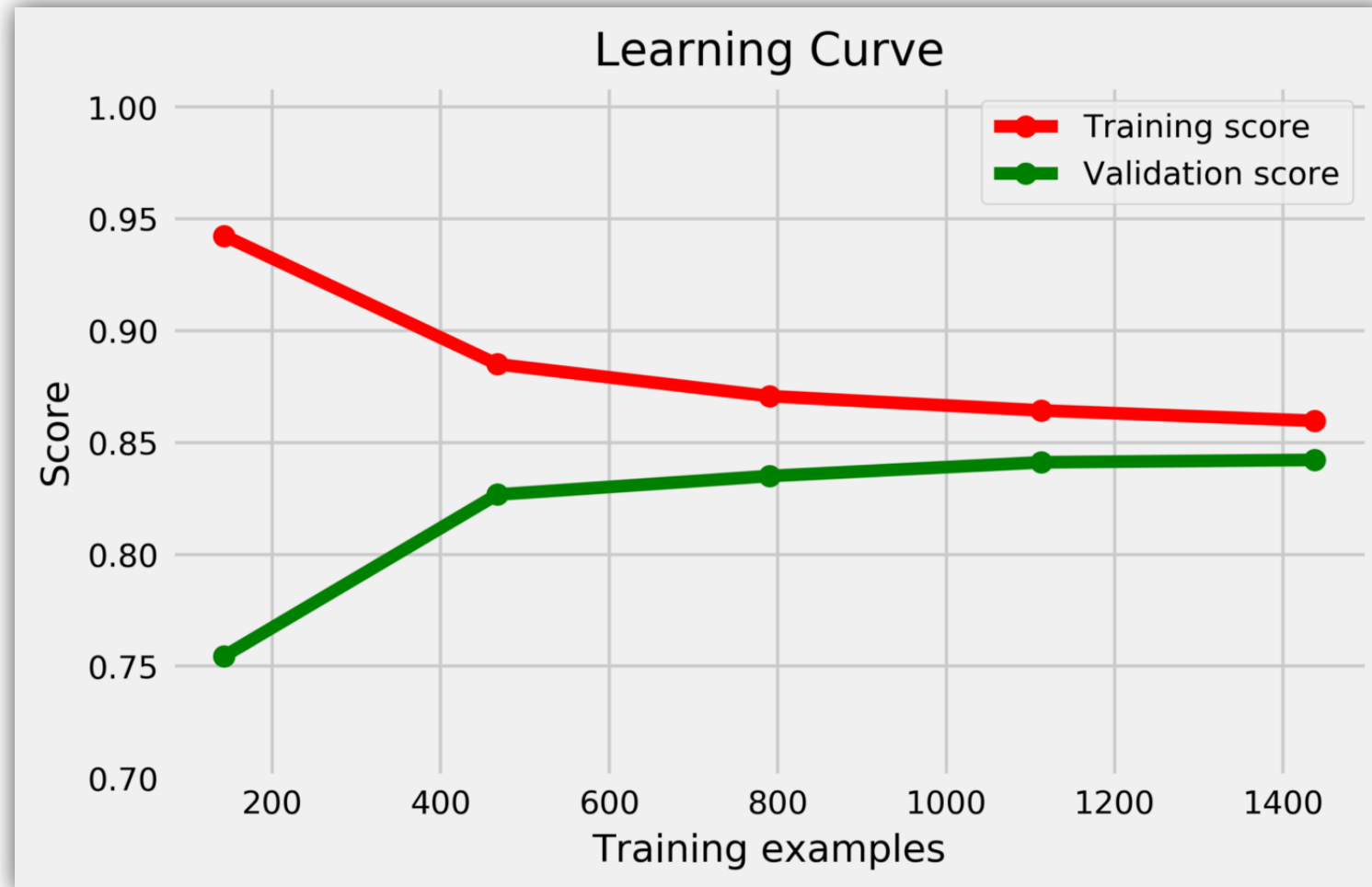
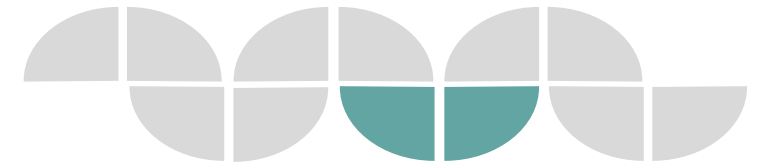
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analytisches Ziel

"A machine learning solution should predict sales per store for the period of 6 weeks, with an accuracy of [X]%"

QA & Validation



QA & Validation



Challenge of the "right" data split

To **evaluate the prediction quality** (aka performance) of the trained model, the training score and the test score are compared.

To ensure that the selected data split did not lead to a good result by accident, several **cross-validations** are performed.

QA & Validation



Cross-Validation

Testing the ML model performance with different splits :

- Hold-out
- K-folds*
- Leave-x-out**
- Time Series CV

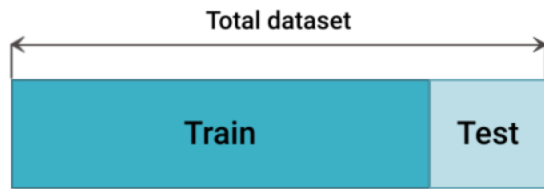
* x = „one“ oder „p“

** x = „Stratified ...“, „Repeated ...“ oder „Nested...“

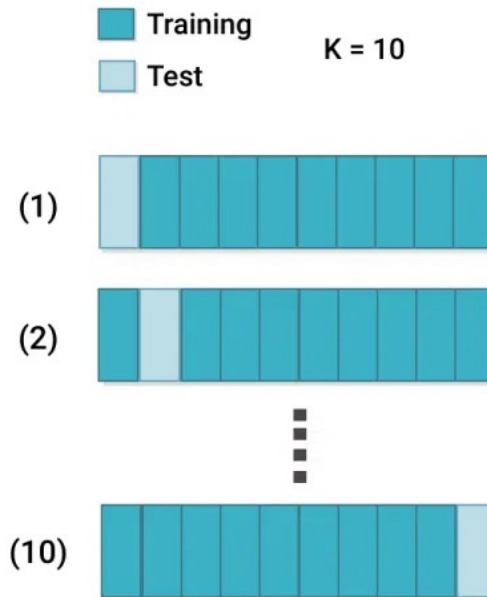
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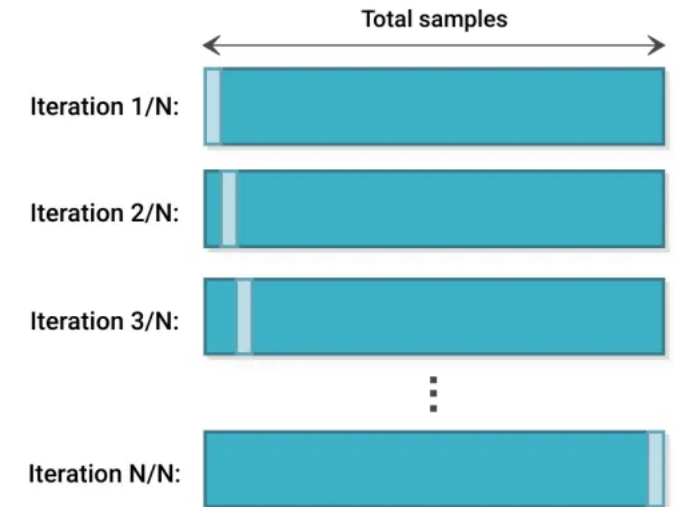
Cross-Validation



Hold-out



K-Folds



Leave-out

QA & Validation by Example



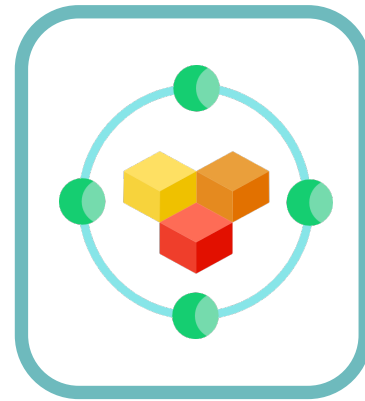
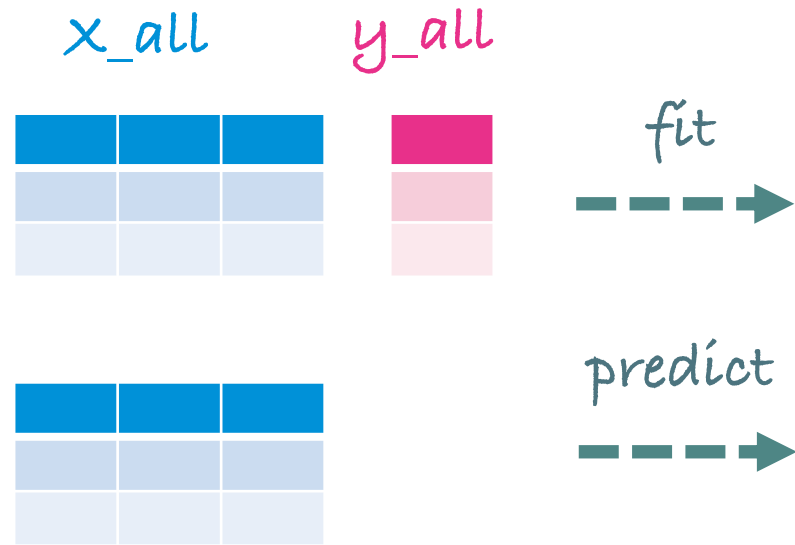
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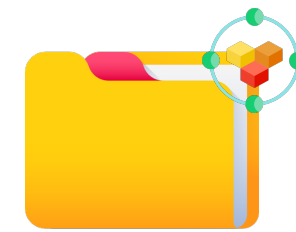


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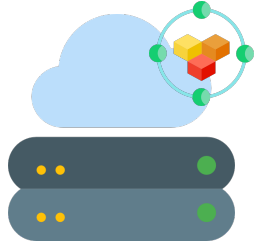


*ML Model
Training*

store
Model

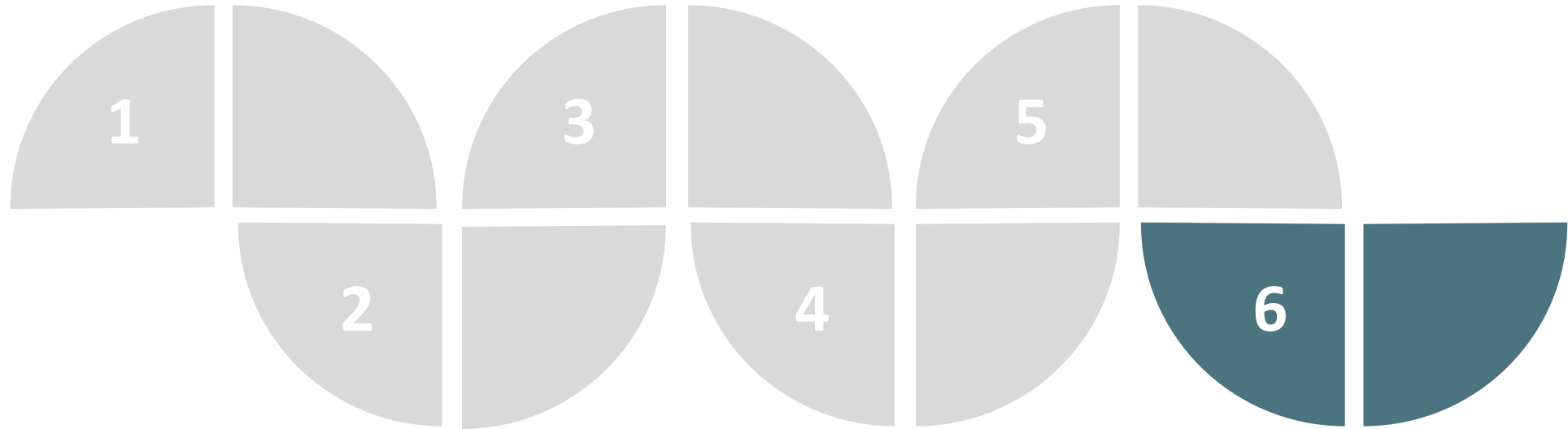


deploy
Model



*ML Model
Deployment*

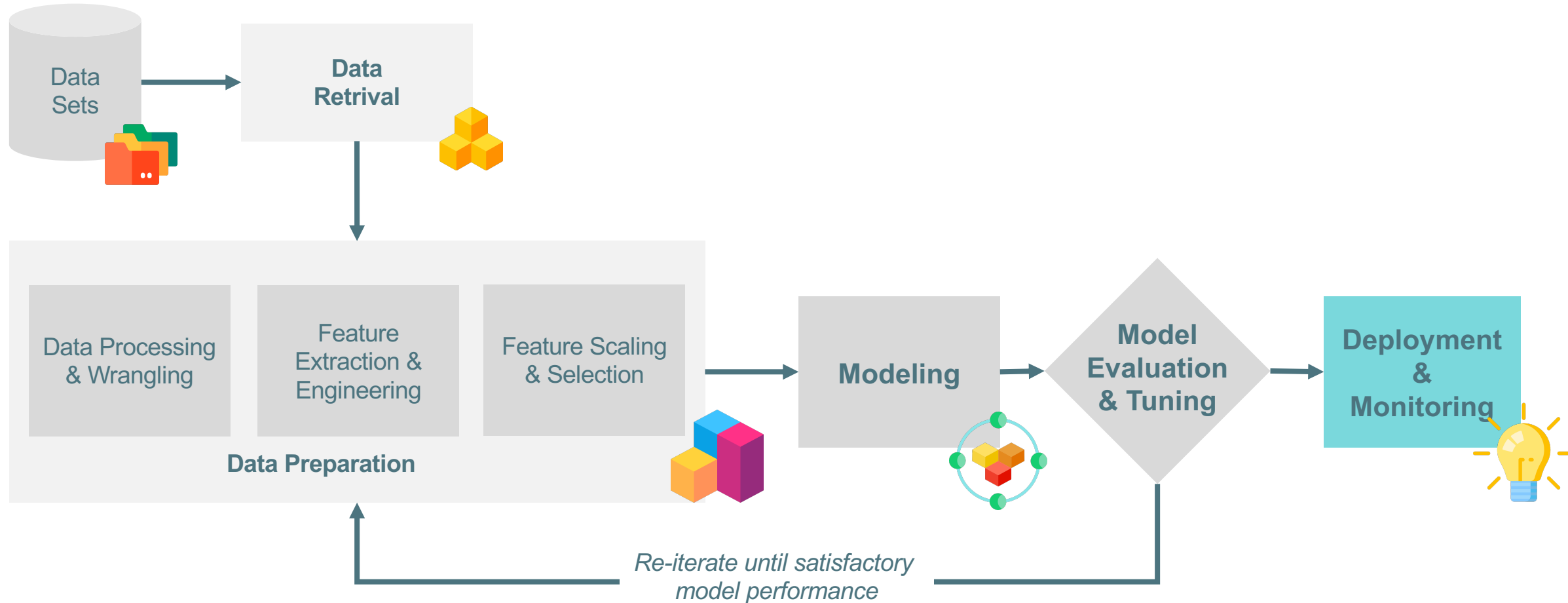
Deployment & Operation



**„ ATTENTION!
This is not an exercise!“**

Model Deployment & Performance Monitoring

Deployment & Operation



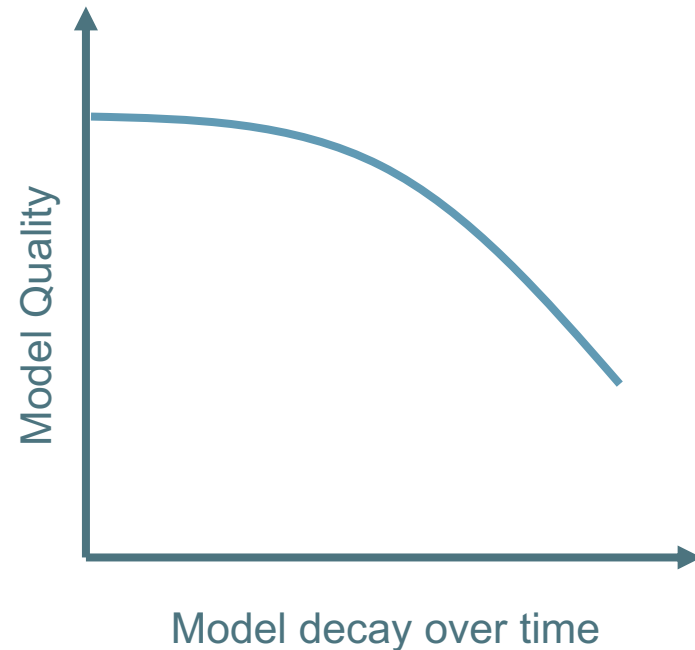
*“Change is the
only constant in life.”*

Heraclitus, Greek philosopher

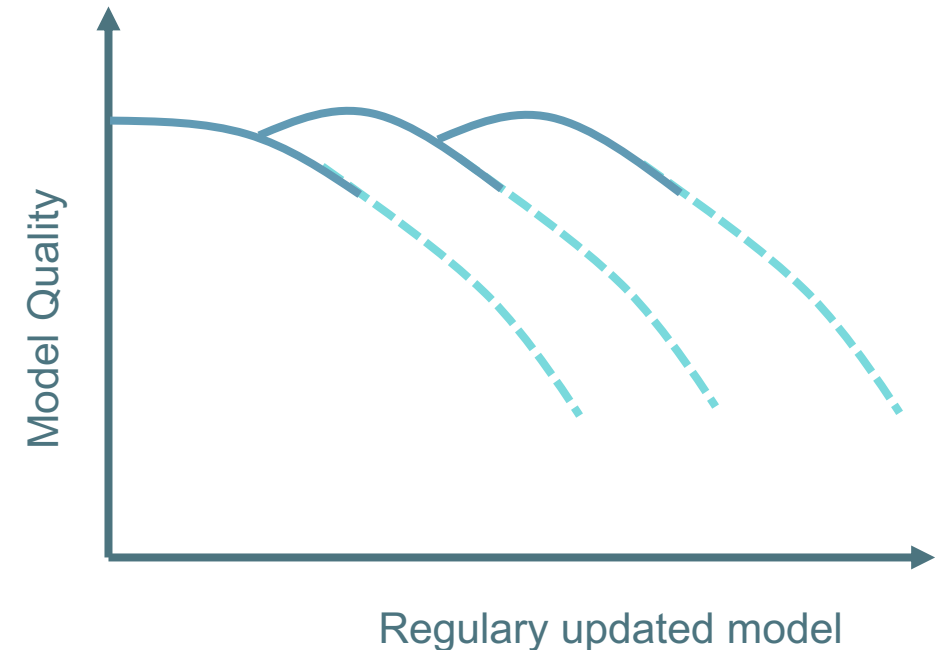
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Static Model



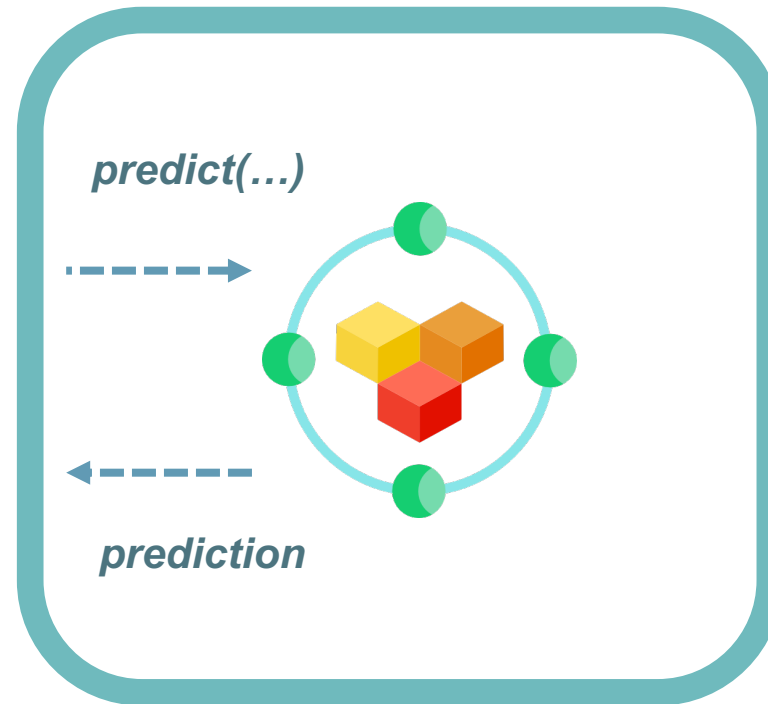
Refreshed Model



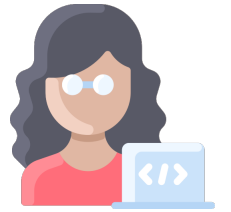
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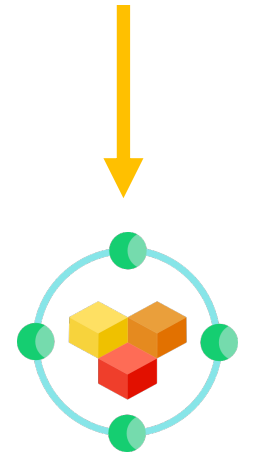
4. call WS



ML based Web Service



1. train



2. validate

3. deploy



CONTINUOUS DELIVERY

*“...the ability to **get changes of all types** — including new features, configuration changes, bug fixes, and experiments — **into production**, or into the hands of users, safely and quickly in a sustainable way.”*

Jez Humble & Dave Farley

Deployment & Operation by Example



MLops aka CI / CD Pipeline for Changes

Data

Schema
Sampling over Time
Volume

Model

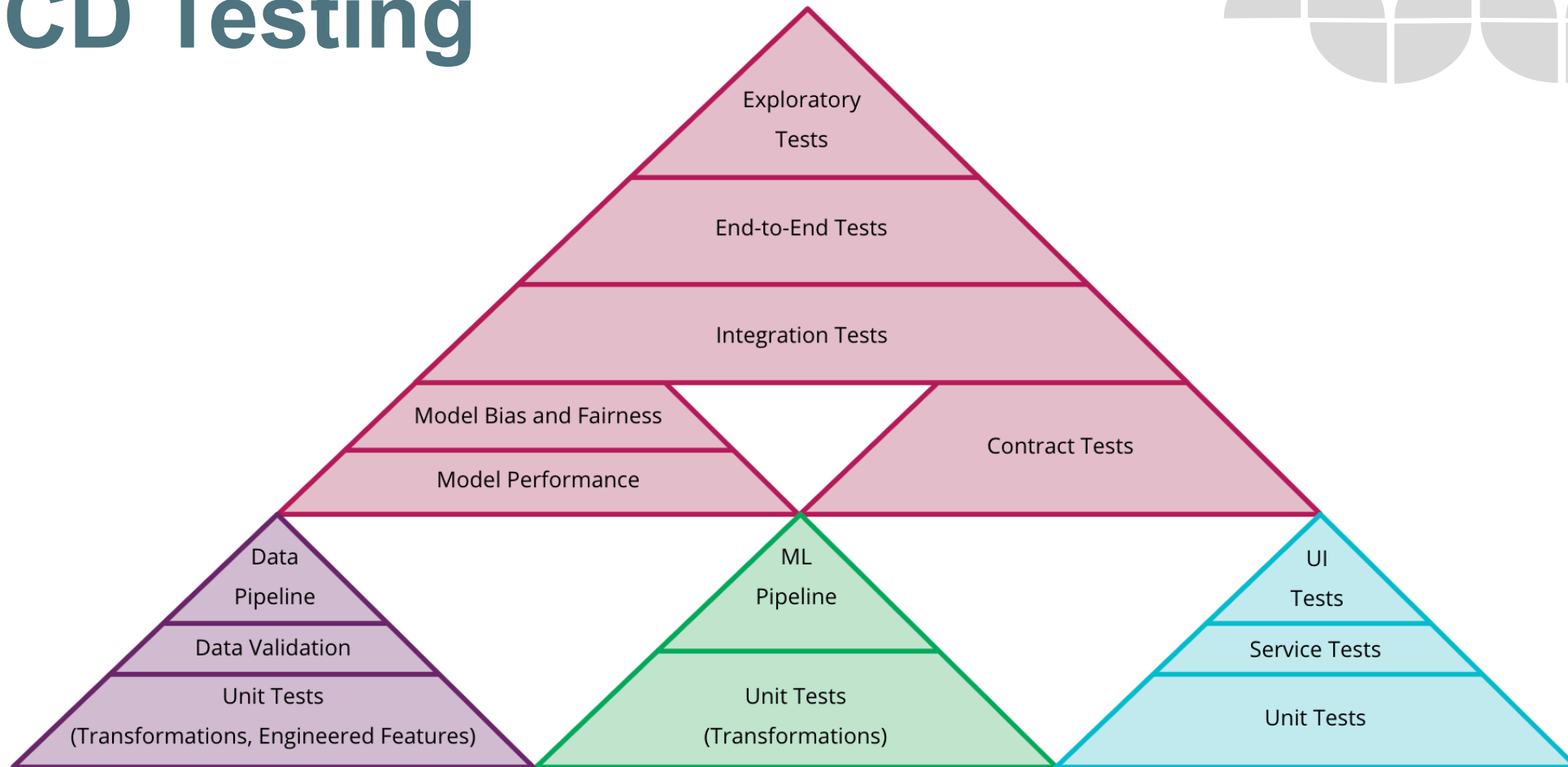
Algorithms
More Training
Experiments

Code

Business Needs
Bug Fixes
Configuration

The 3 axis of change in ML apps – data, model, and code – and a few reasons for them to change.

CI/CD Testing



Stack of Test Pyramids

Example of how to combine different test pyramids for data, model, and code in CD4ML

Deployment & Operation by Example



Monitoring the Model

Model Performance

Model Input/Output Distribution

Model Learning Curves

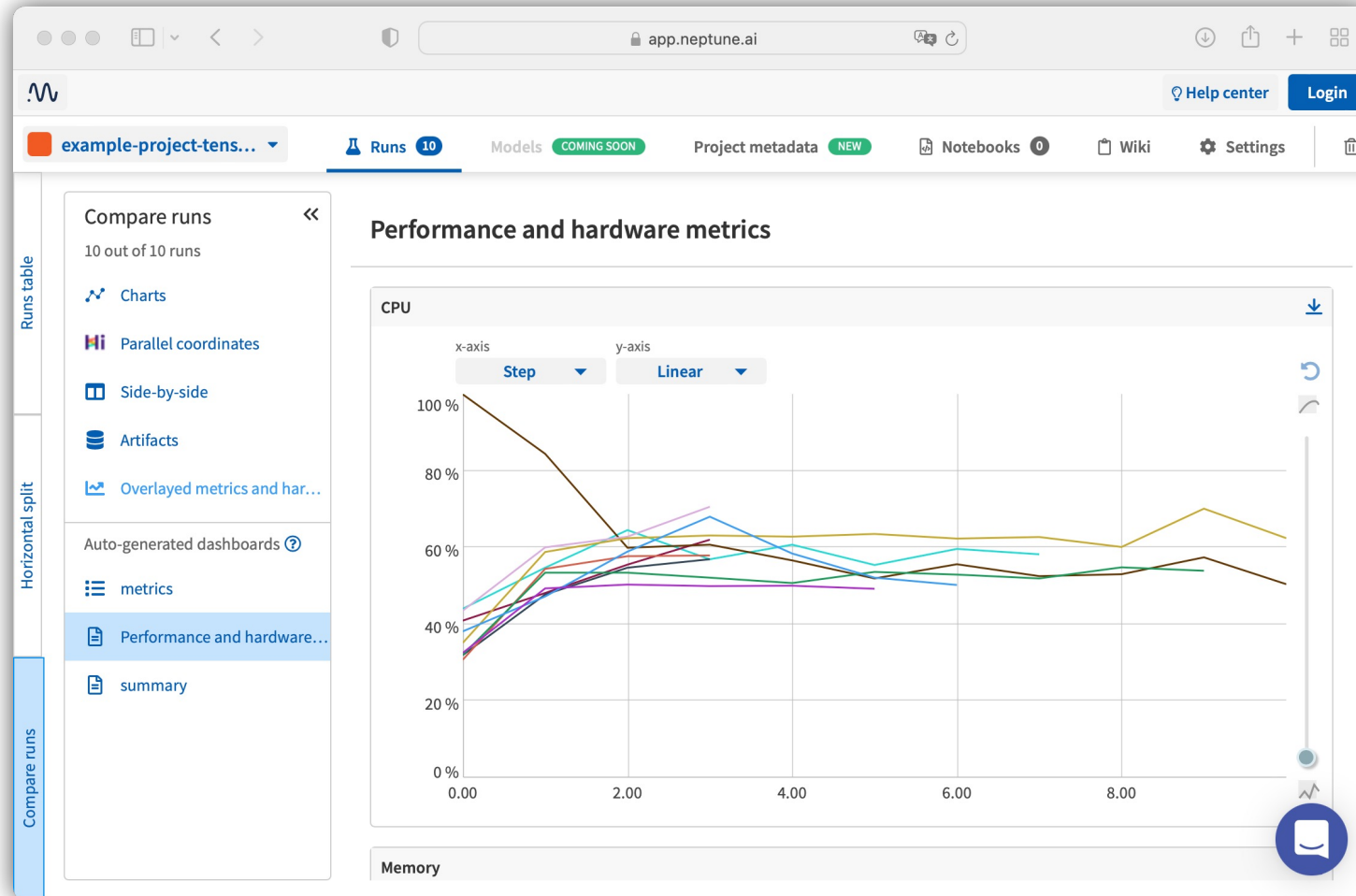
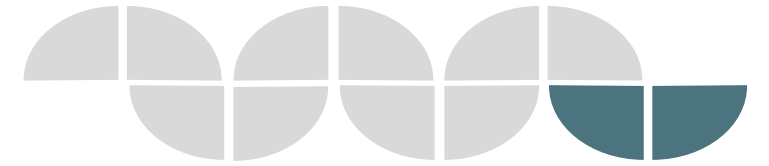
Model Evaluation Metrics

Model QA Results

Hardware Metrics

CI/CD Pipeline for ML

ML Monitoring





Take
aways!

ML for Production

Business Understanding



Data Preparation



QA & Validation



Data Understanding

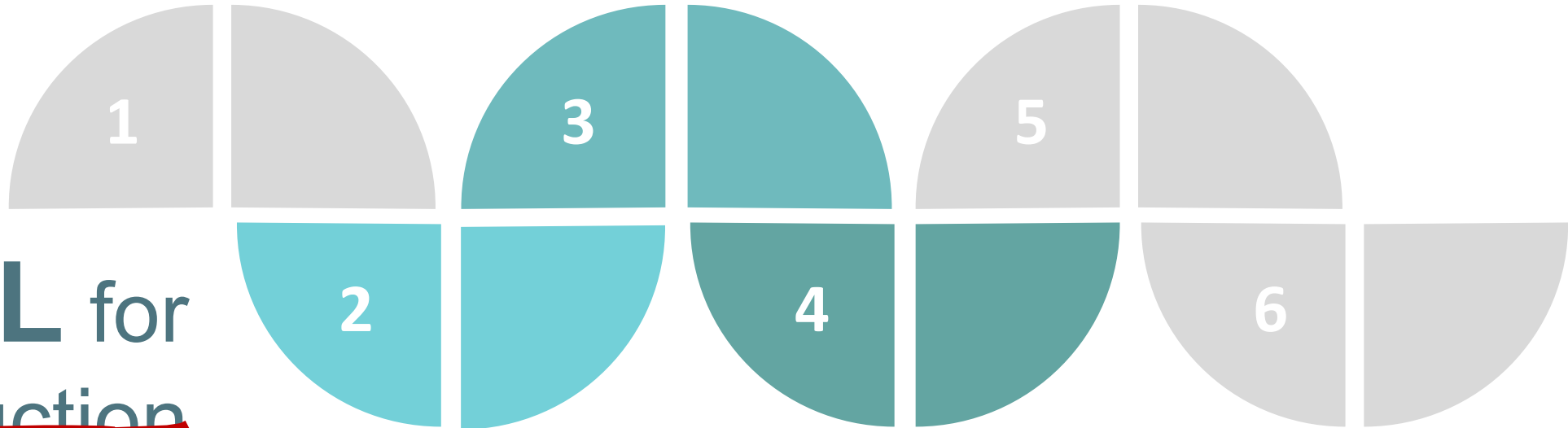
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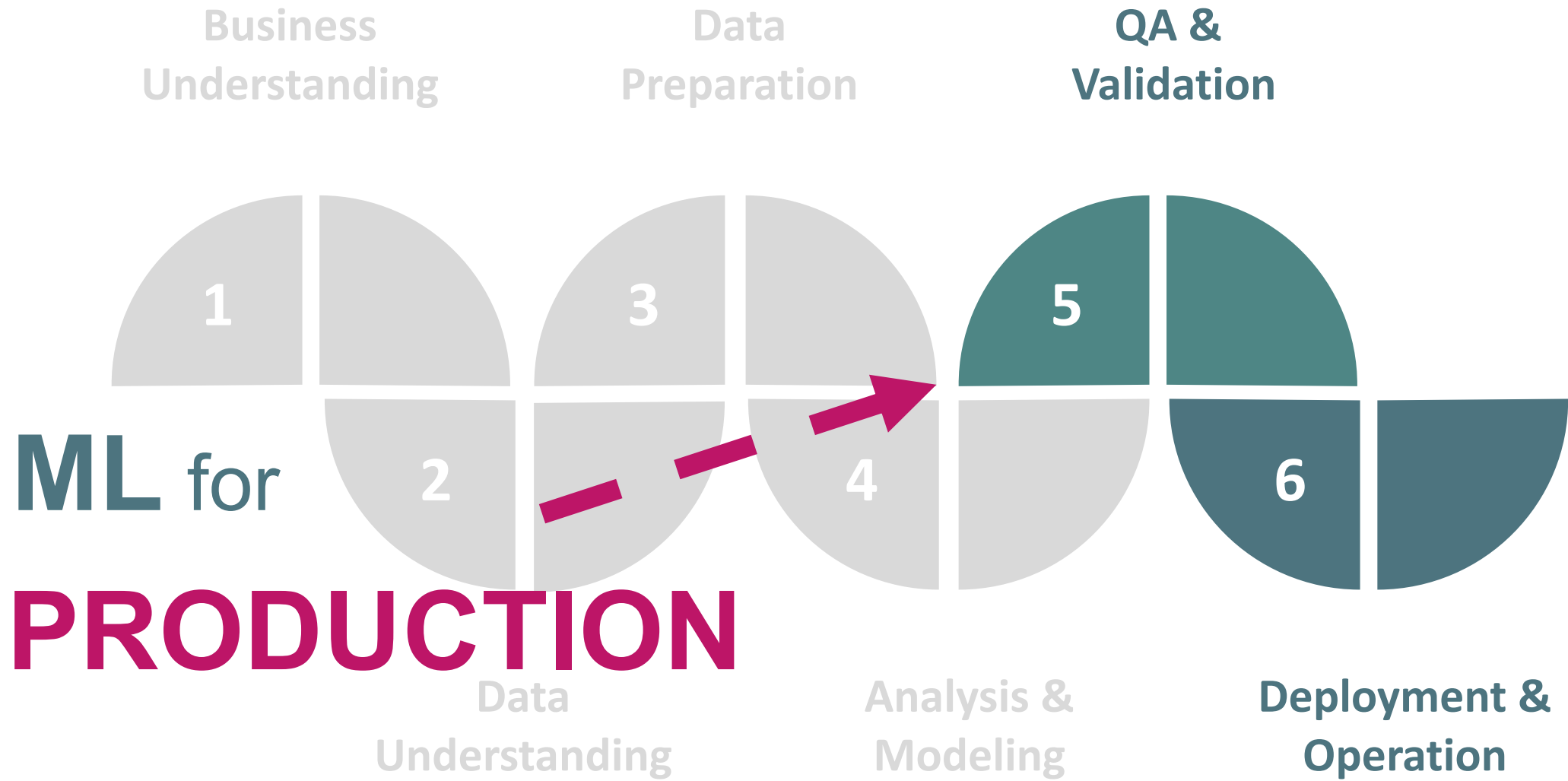


Data
Understanding

Analysis &
Modeling

Deployment &
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ML for
~~Production~~
Exploration





Time for
Questions?
YES!



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