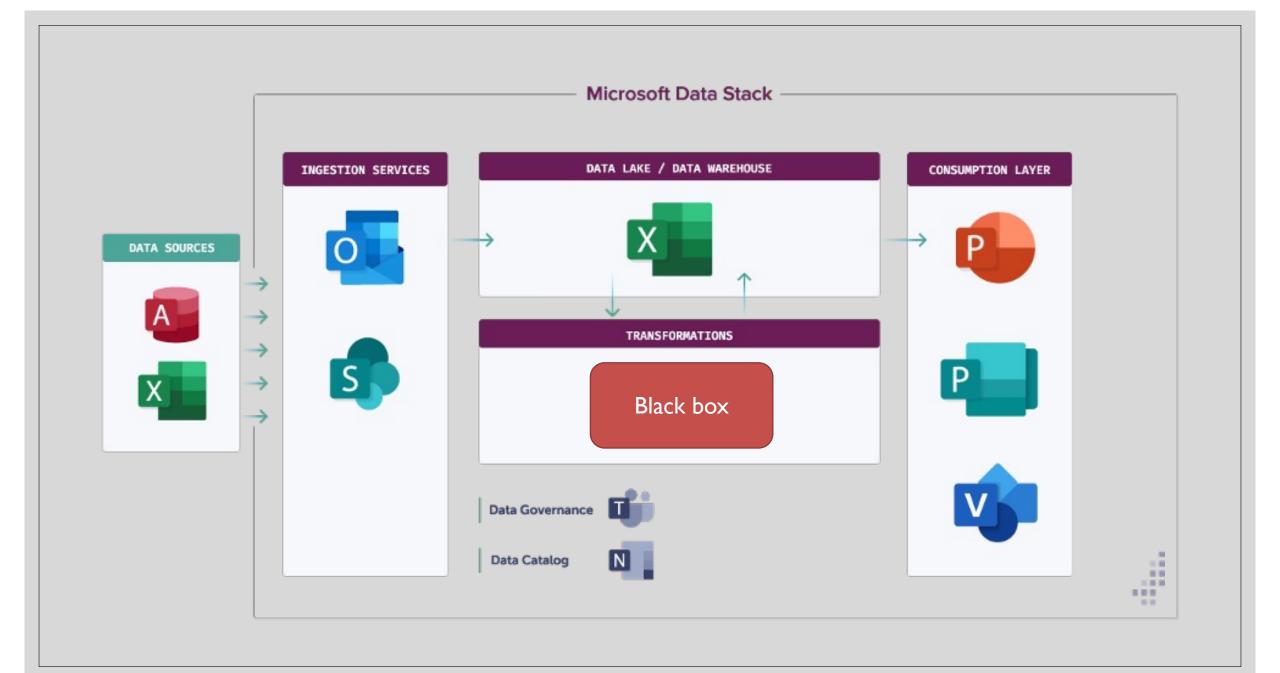
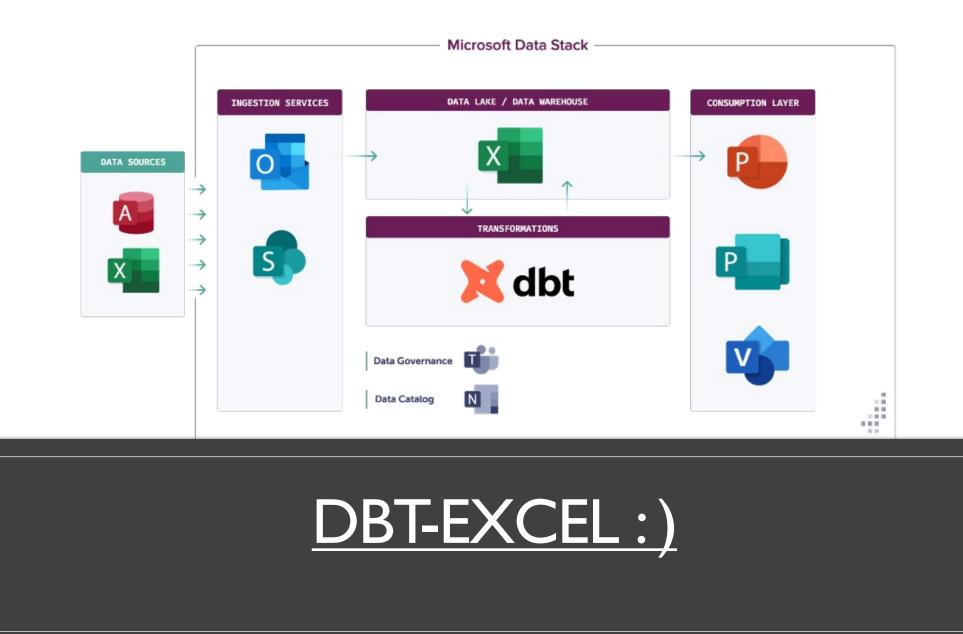
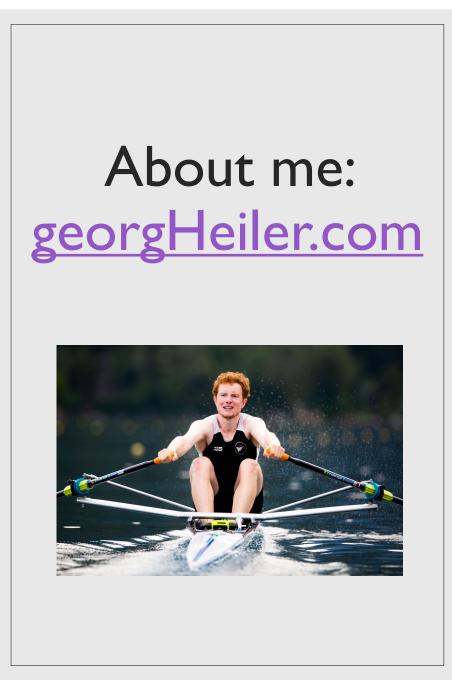
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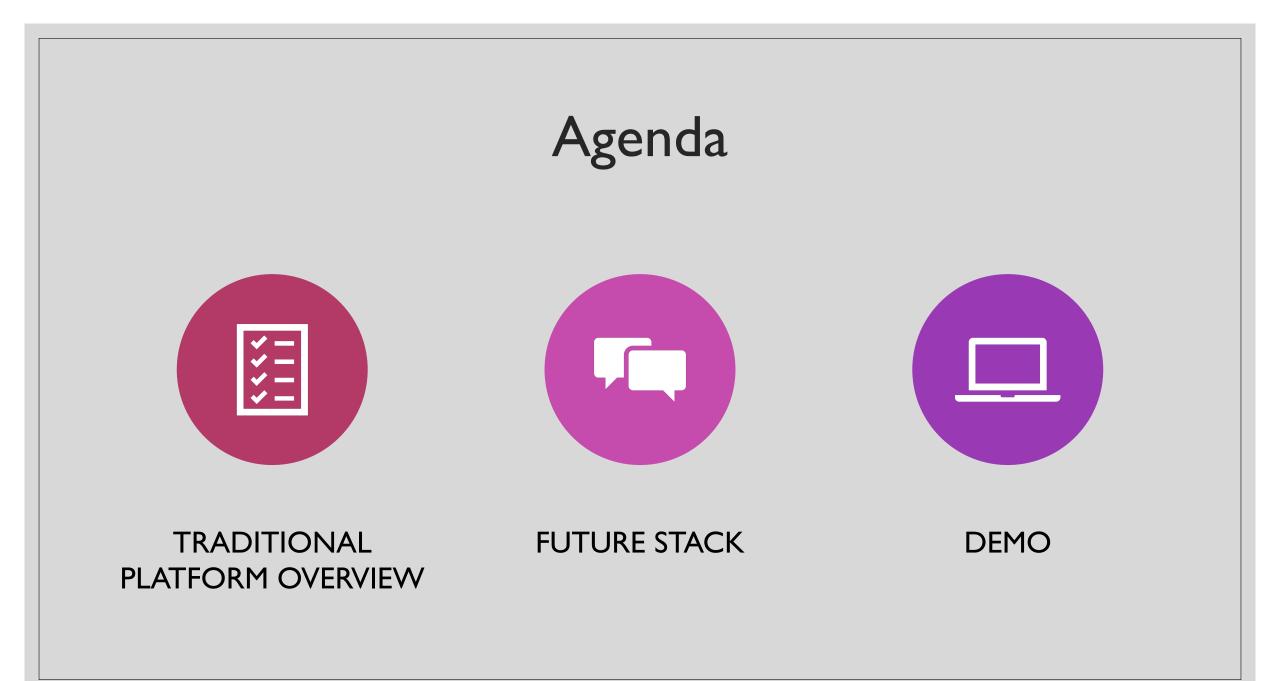
Lecturer, speaker, meetup organizer (VDSG)



Senior software engineer with a specialization in data



PhD in informatics (TU Wien, CSH)

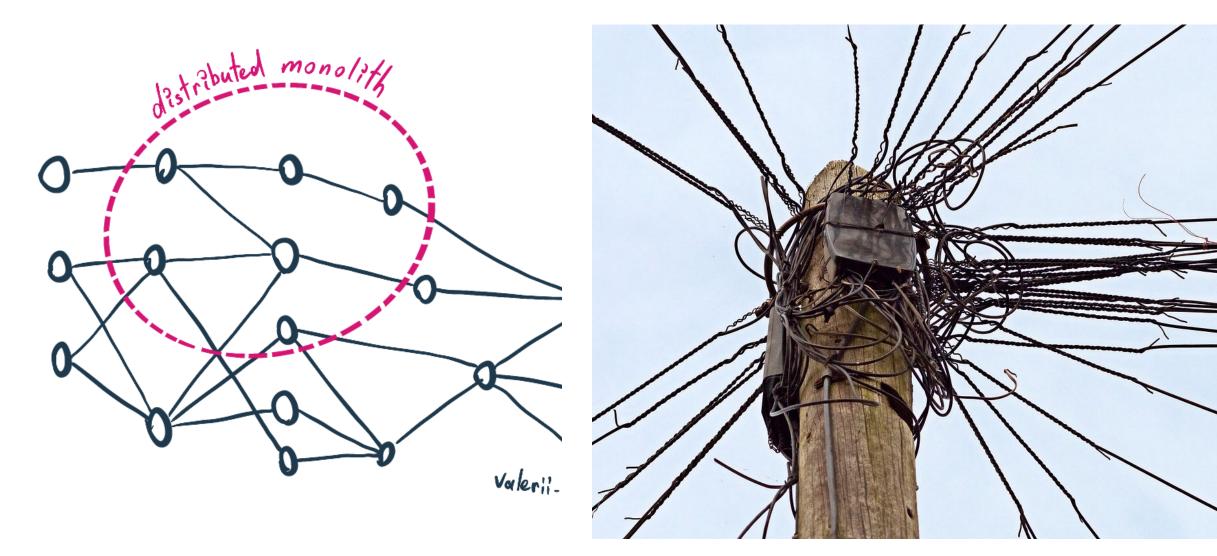


Traditional data stack (ETL)

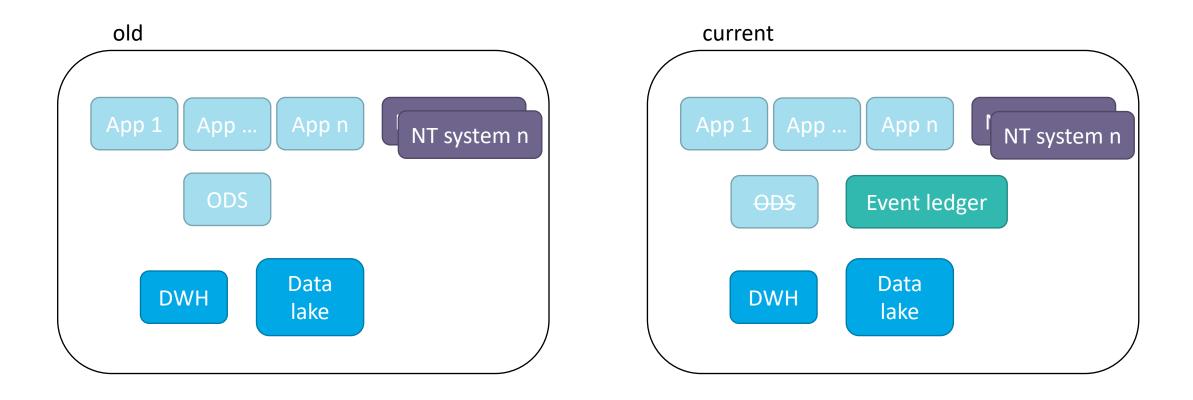
- (Often) custom ingestion processes
- $^\circ\,$ Data warehouse transformations with proprietary tools (Informatica, Talend, plsql, $\ldots)$
 - Not a single source of truth
 - Not a single E2E lineage
 - Multiple separate transformation tools (used by various departments)
 - No central scheduler
- No clear separation of layers and domains
- Layer over layer starving in abstractions
- Data mart presentation layer consumed by tools like Tableau, Qlick, ...
- Way too often (hot) fixes are deployed in analytical systems
- Tools chosen where some other joinable data resides (not DDD)

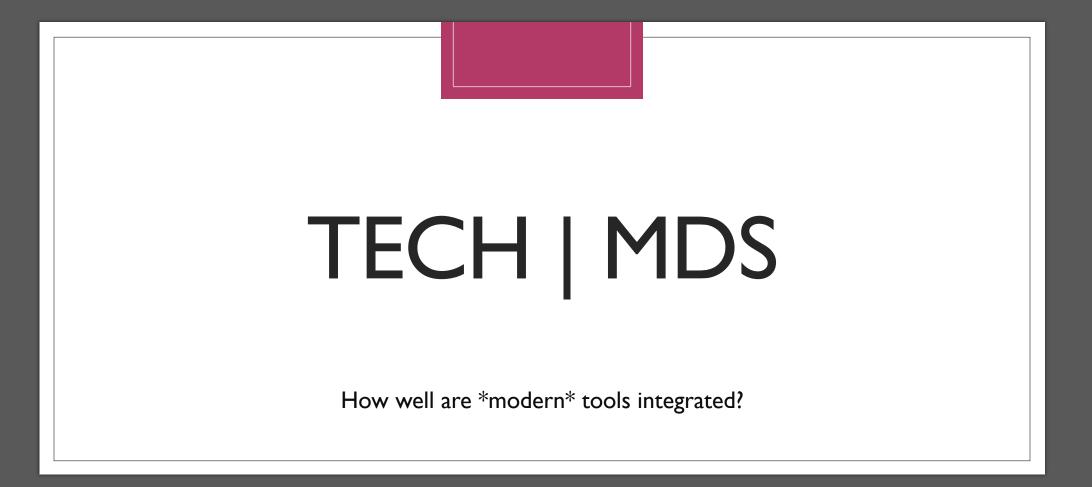


Distributed (data) monolith

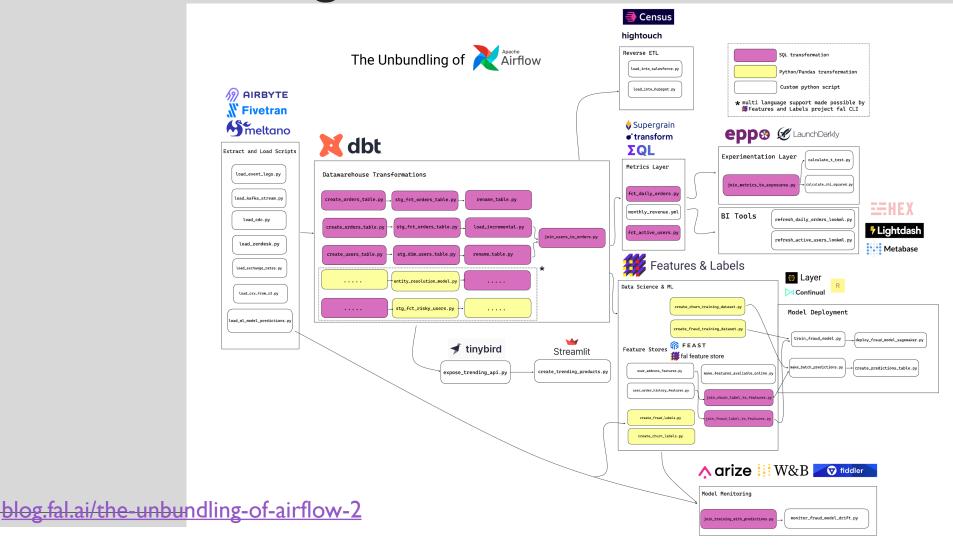


Data platform



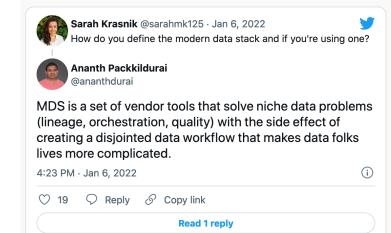


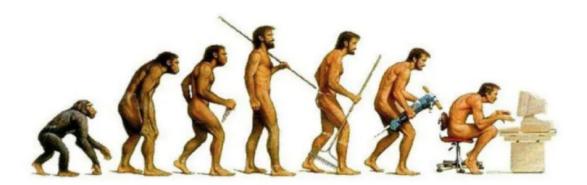
Unbundling Airflow: Silos? Orchestration?



WHAT MANAGESTHE MANAGED SERVICE?

Ananth Packkildurai, the author of the Data Engineering Weekly newsletter, summarizes this state of affairs well:





Overlapping Crons Workflow Engines

Overlapping Crons in MDS

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UNBUNDLING AIRFLOW:

SILOS? ORCHESTRATION?



Dagster: Overall orchestration

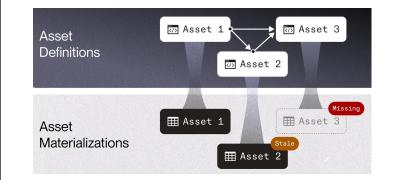
- Alleviate Airflow`s problems
 - Testability first (resources allow for separation of business logic and IO, cloud services, APIs)
 - Increase developer productivity (i.e. locally E2E DEV-test the pipeline with local resources
 - Native data dependencies
 - E2E orchestration (ingest, transform, ML)
 - $\circ~$ Lineage first improve governance
- Assets: Turning the pipeline inside out → Rebundling

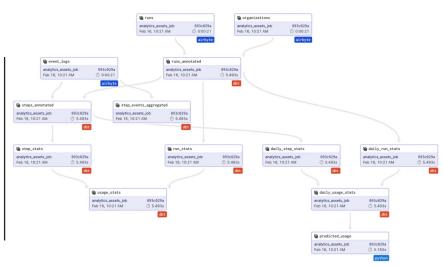
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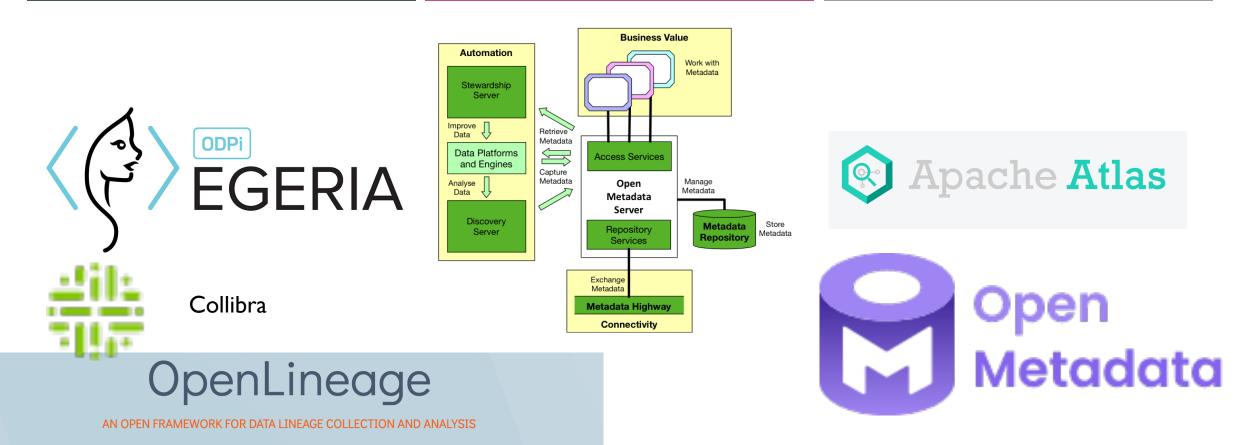
REBUNDLING WITH DAGSTER

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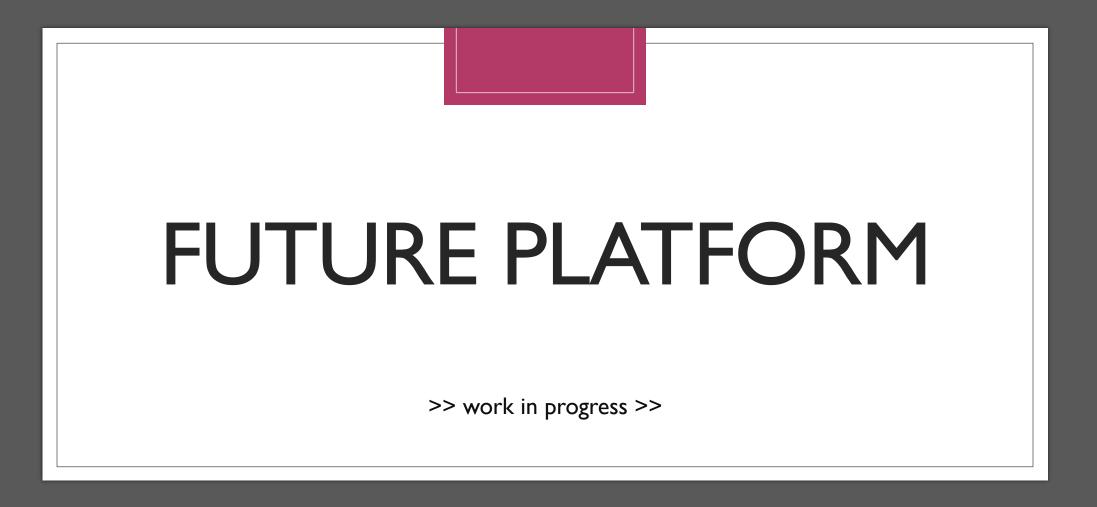
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Data lineage is the foundation for a new generation of powerful, context-aware data tools and best practices. OpenLineage enables consistent collection of lineage metadata, creating a deeper understanding of how data is produced and used.



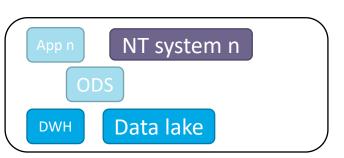
- Simple: write documentation into a file <u>Intake</u>
- Comlex (distributed, enterprise) EGERIA
- MDS? → Open Metadata

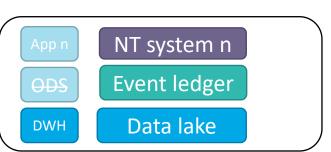


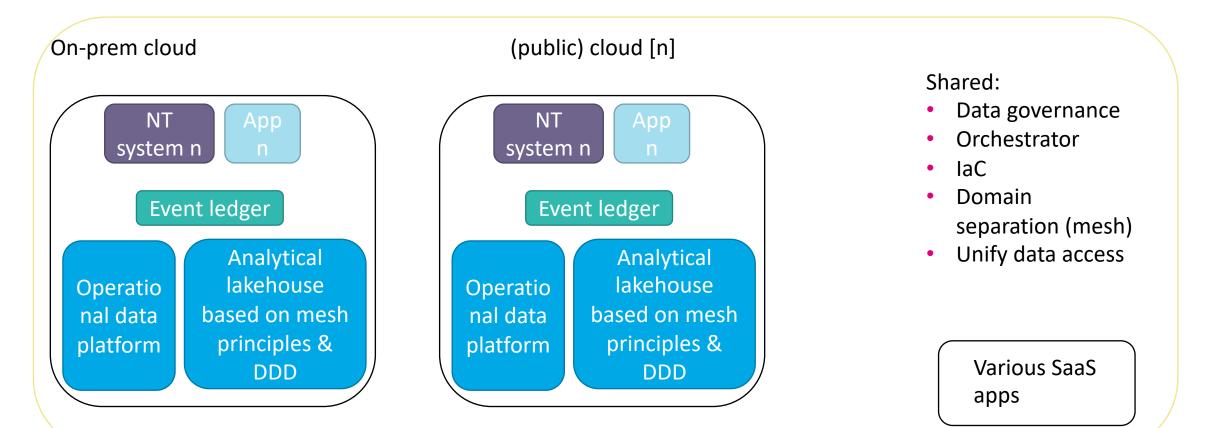
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Future data platform







DEMO EXAMPLES

Dagster, DBT, OpenMetadata + various storage/compute engines (duckdb and more)

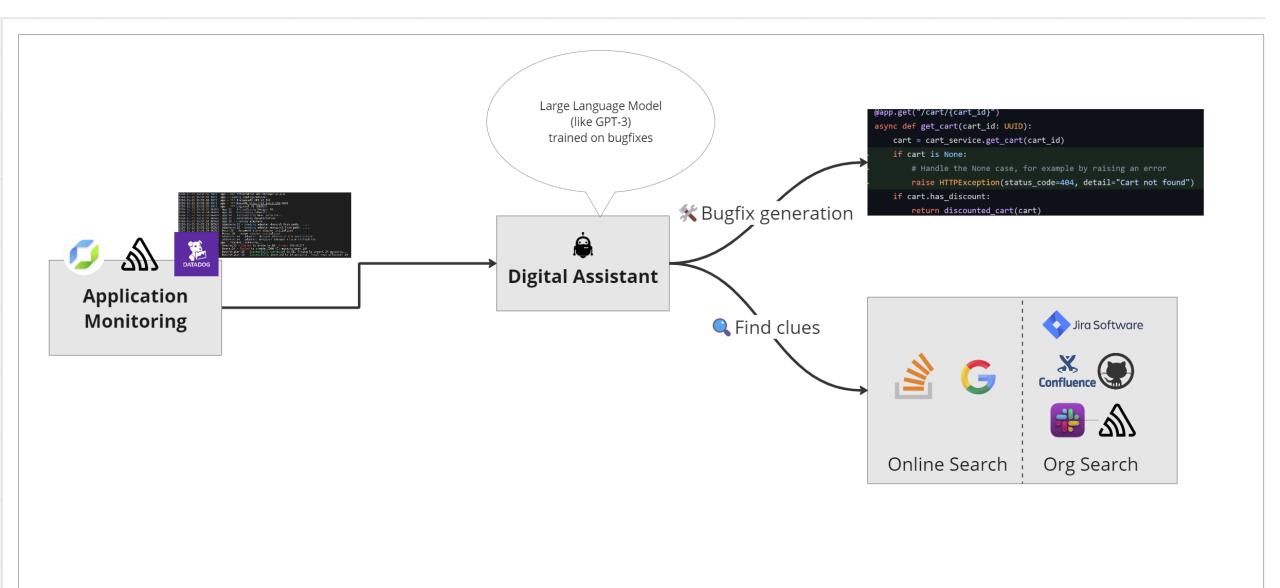
Bugbusters.ai

AI-Assisted bug fixing

Eliminating bug fixing pain



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- Bugbusters AI "Digital assistant, powered by an LLM, capable of generating bugfixes and finding solutions."
- Eliminating pain and challenges involved by delegating tasks associated with fixing bugs to the assistant.
- Think ChatGPT, optimized for bug fix generation and equipped with internal data

Challenges

- Lots of different monitoring systems (Kibana, Sentry, Datadog) to support
- Differently trained models per customer, i.e. different data pipeline per customers
- Unified way to address data extraction and workflow
- -> dagster

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Findings

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DDD

- Clear data contracts
- Domain based data ownership
- E2E ownership Reorganization (data product)

02

Foundational pillars

- Data governance
- Central data orchestration tool with support for lazy coupling of domains
- Revival of SQL

03

Enablement

- Hybrid cloud setup (new types of hardware, faster provisioning)
- Use established SaaS tools (less build your own)
- Invest in tooling data engineers love for easier hiring

Foundational principles to help Magenta become more data driven.



Dagster vs. Airflow resources

Responsible for delivering **advanced analytics & machine learning** solutions.

Data Science team currently consists of 6 people, Data & Insights in total is ~35 internals + ~15 externals.

Central team providing DS solutions to stakeholders across the company.

Topics include:

- Airflow's operational complexity: Blogpost outlining many of the reasons Airflow is hard to run at scale in production due to architecture limitations. <u>https://dagster.io/blog/dagster-airflow</u>
- Airflow's developer pain (esp with local testing): Group 1001 testimonial <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kf0iURfebdA</u>
- Benefits of declarative scheduling for large, multi-team projects: Whatnot testimonial <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZZO33MEvF4</u>
- Overview D-A comparison <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TM-</u> <u>DrqCnMv6QK3jw710GhPU0UP9NQhws/edit#gid=492840621</u> (request access required)

Dagster resources

- https://github.com/dagster-io/hooli-data-eng-pipelines/tree/master
- https://github.com/slopp/dagteam
- <u>https://stkbailey.substack.com/p/orchestration-isnt-going-anywhere</u>