

Data Platform Architecture Principles

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AGENDA

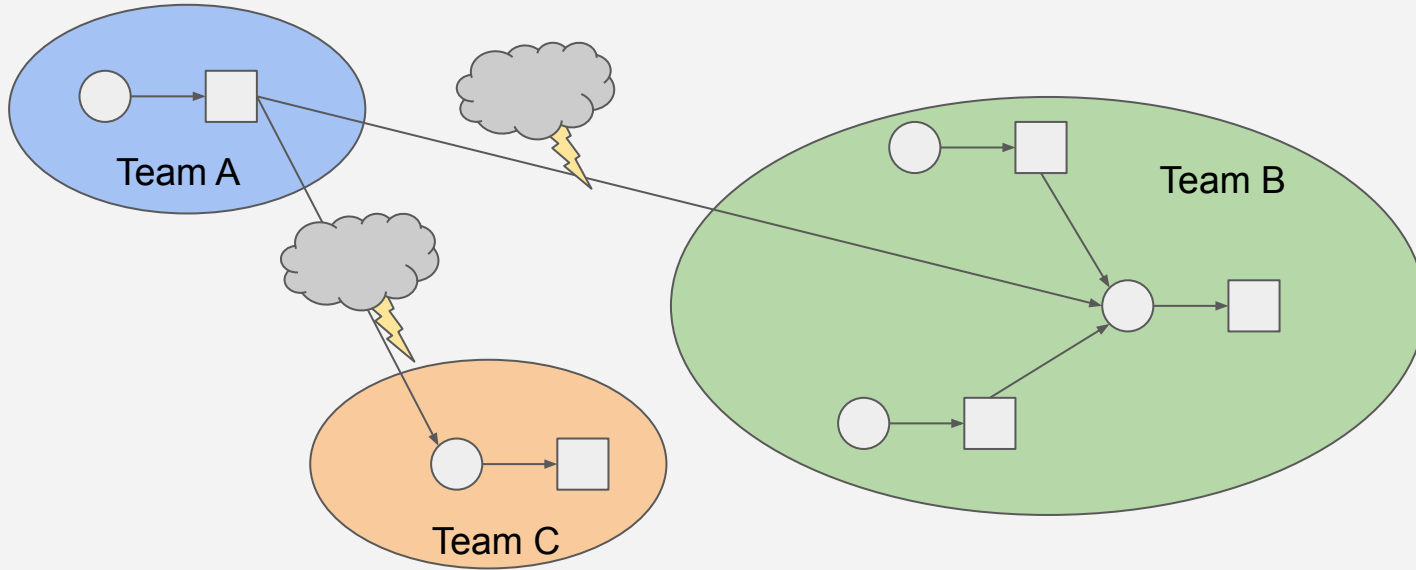
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01 A Healthy Data Ecosystem

Team interdependencies



Explicit contracts

- Schemas
- Shared or Private
- SLA: experimental, production ready

Understanding dependencies

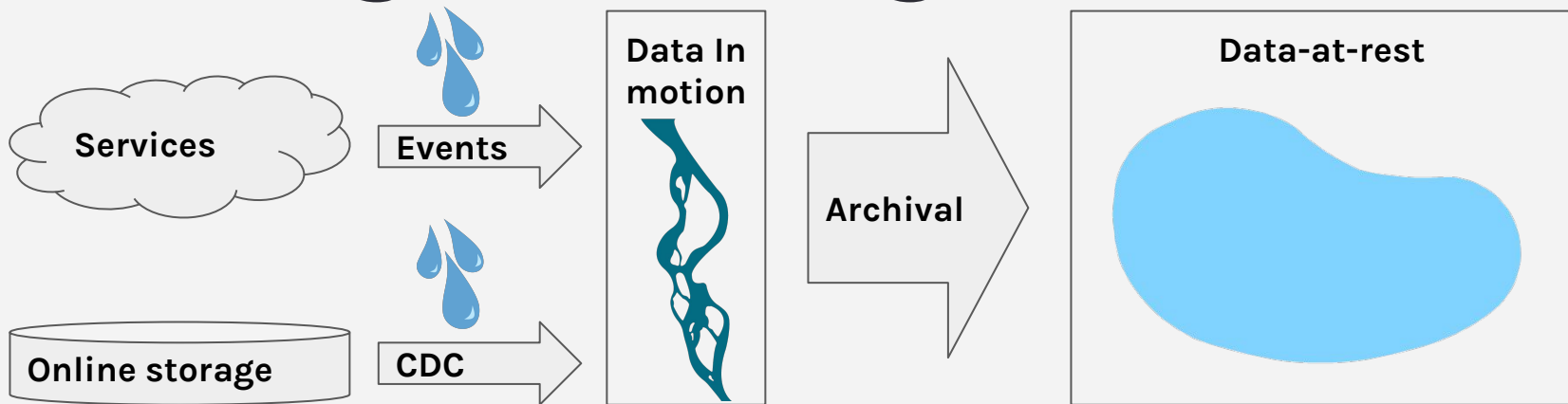
- Who do I depend on?
- Who depends on me?

Quick iterations

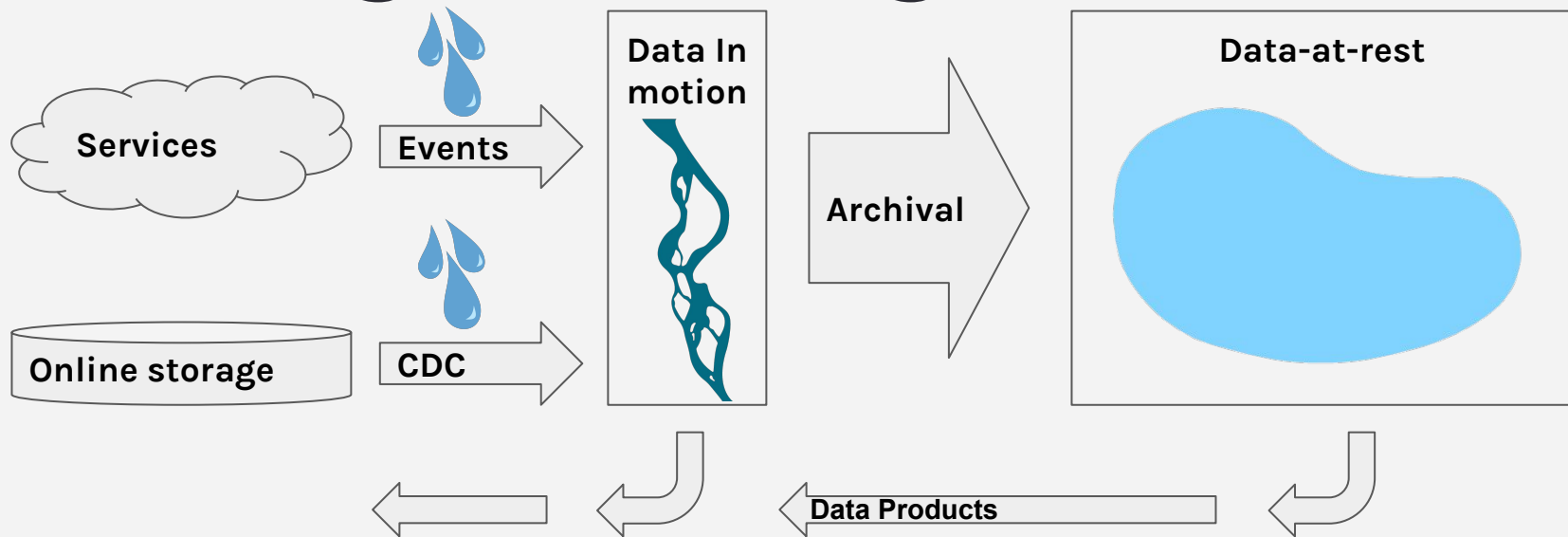
- **Fail safe environment: Easy to undo**
- **Quick troubleshooting**
- **Quick feedback**

02 Data Platform Abstractions and Services

Storage and ingestion



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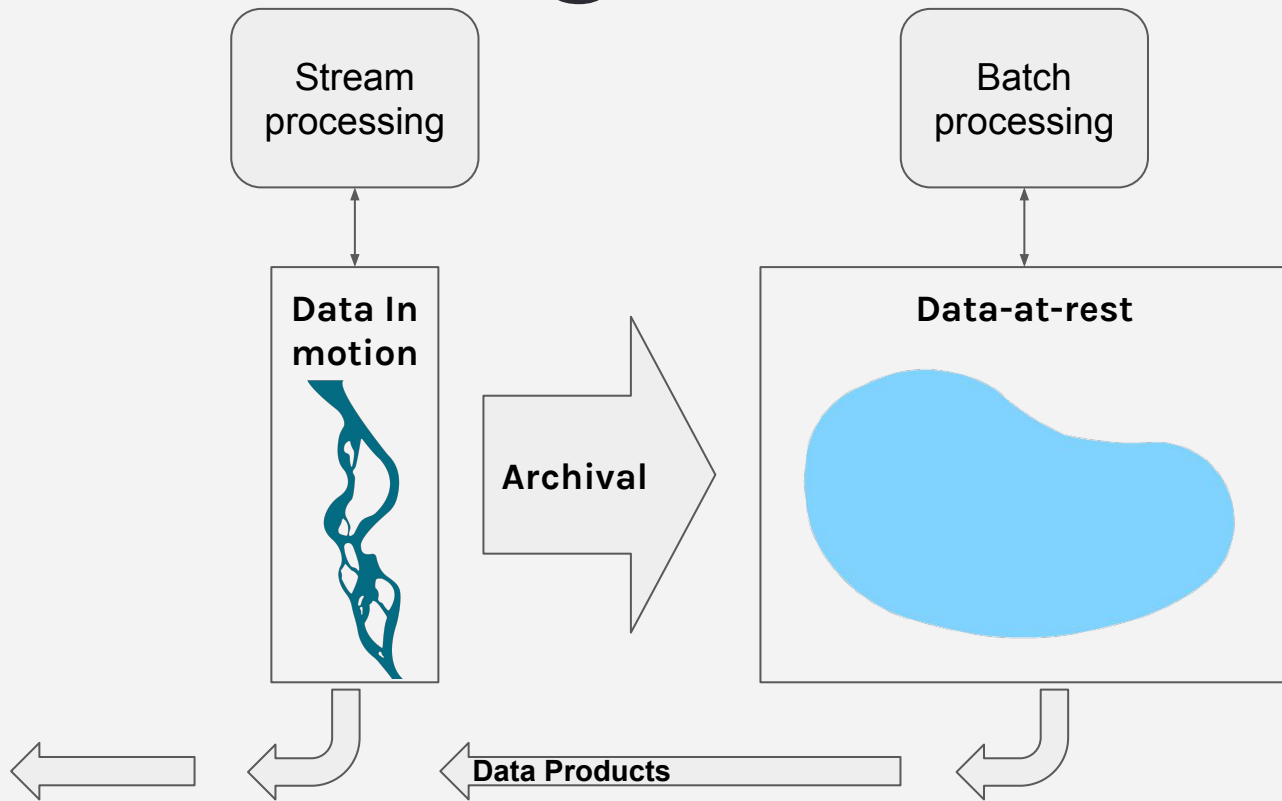
Data-in-motion

- Schema registry
- Keyed for CDC
- Horizontally scalable
 - Partitioning
- Candidates: Kafka, Pulsar, ...

Data-at-rest

- **Table abstraction:**
 - **Snapshot Isolation**
 - **Time travel: can roll back a change**
 - **Schema evolution**
 - **Partitioning decoupled from job**
- **Candidates:**
 - **Iceberg,**
 - **Deltalake over cloud blob storage**

Processing



Stream processing

- **Anti-pattern:**
 - **Dependencies outside the streaming bubble:**
 - **Synchronous service calls**
 - **Database lookup**
 - **Ingest that data instead (CDC / Domain events)**
 - **kafka.KTable, flink.DynamicTable**
- **Candidates:**
 - **Flink, Spark Streaming, Kafka Streams**

Batch processing

- **Your job as a function: inputs and outputs are parameters.**
 - **Testable transformation:**
 - **Multiple instances in parallel**
- **Atomic runs:**
 - **output is complete or not visible**
- **Understand dependencies**
 - **Jobs depend on their inputs**

Interactive

- **Notebooks:**
 - **Source control for saving state**
 - **Repeatable environments: docker images**
- **Warehouse technology:**
 - **Decoupled storage and compute**
 - **Interconnection with data storage**

03 Observability for data pipelines

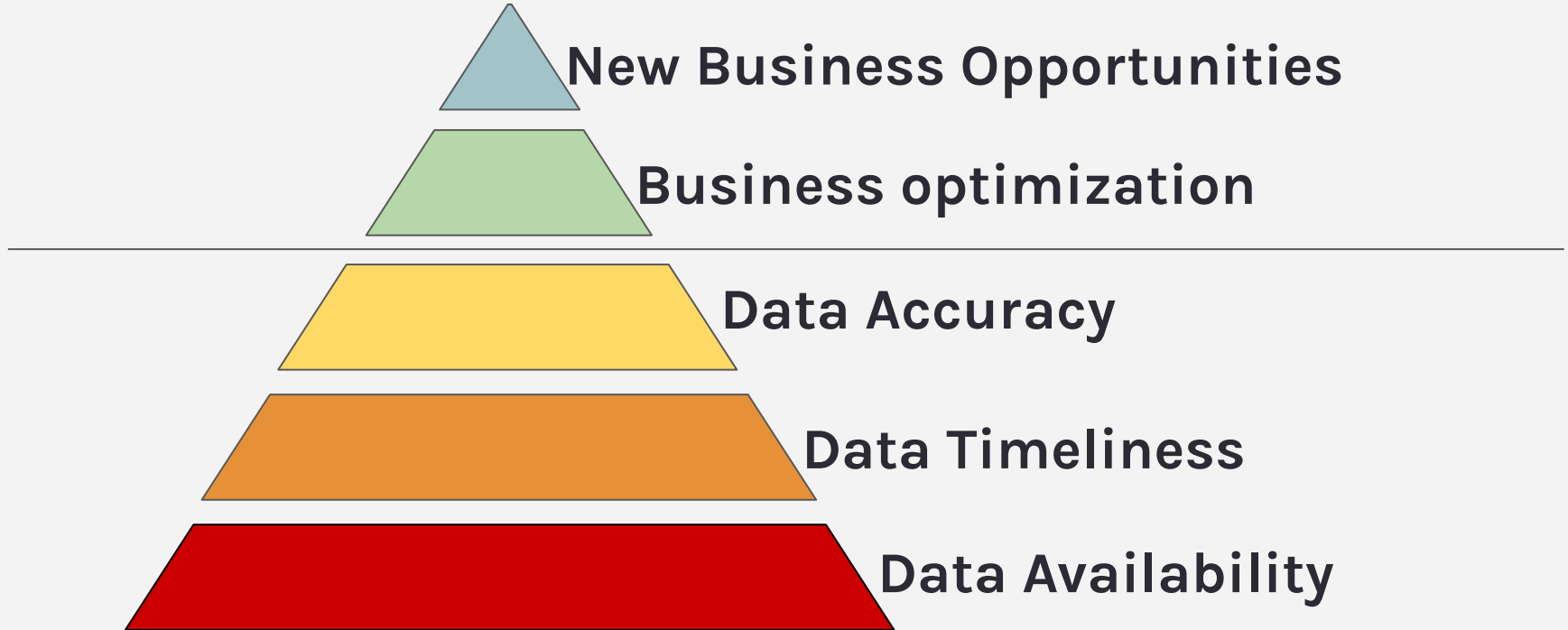
Today: Limited context



DATA

- What is the data source?
- What is the schema?
- Who is the owner?
- How often is it updated?
- Where is it coming from?
- Who is using the data?
- What has changed?

~~Maslow's~~ Data hierarchy of needs



Observability for data

- **Dependencies: Lineage**
- **availability, timeliness, accuracy**
- **Change management**
 - **Schema**
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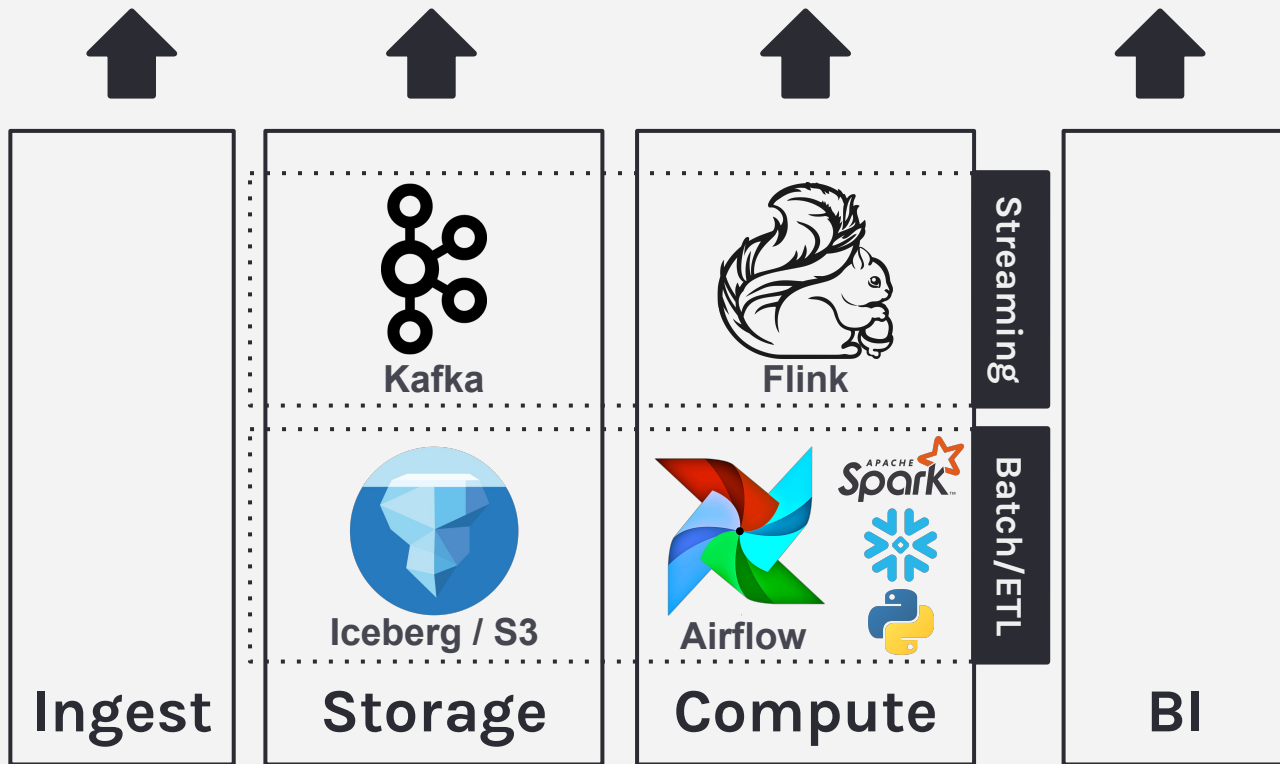


In the **services** world it's called **traces**

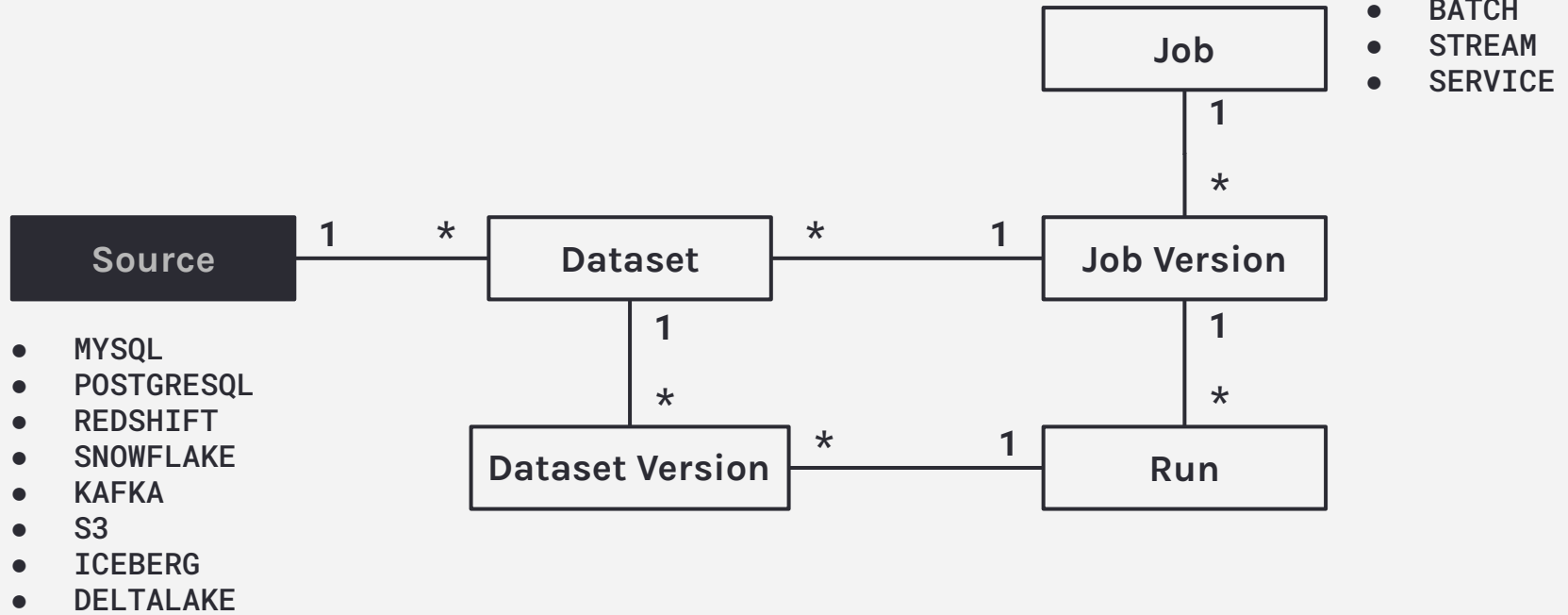
Metadata:  MARQUEZ

- Data Platform built around Observability

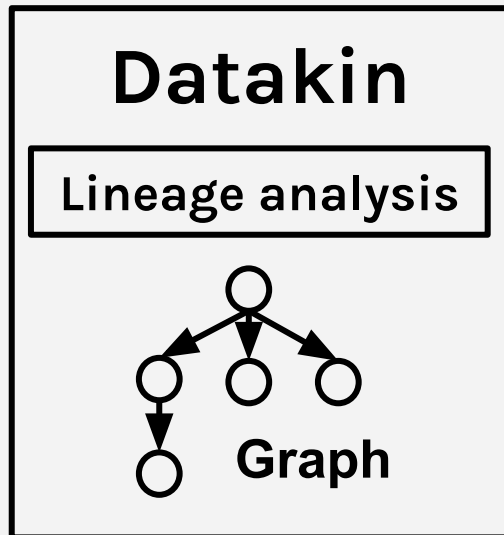
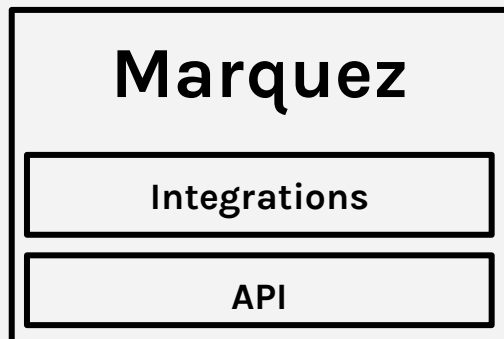
- Integrations
 - Ingest
 - Storage
 - Compute
 - BI dashboards



Marquez: Data model



Datakin leverages Marquez metadata



- **Marquez standardizes metadata collection**
 - Job runs
 - parameters
 - version
 - inputs / outputs
- **Datakin enables**
 - Understanding operational dependencies
 - Impact analysis
 - Troubleshooting: What has changed since the last time it worked?

Thanks! <o/

Questions?