

ATSCALE



# AtScale + Snowflake

Bridging Business Intelligence & Data Science in the Data Cloud



# Today's Speakers

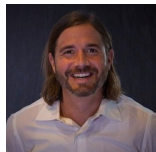


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Simon works in Snowflakes Customer Acceleration Team (SnowCAT), supporting customers to utilise new and advanced product capabilities within Snowflakes Data Cloud to improve the value they derive from their data.

Simon has worked in the field of Advanced Analytics, Data Warehousing, Big Data and Data Science for over 30 years, helping organisations make the transition to data-driven decision making.



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Daniel brings rich experience in technical solutions engineering as well as software engineering to his work with global enterprise organizations.

Prior to joining AtScale to lead the Solutions Engineering team, Daniel spent many years in the analytics space including Hewlett-Packard's Advanced Technology Center, Vertica, and Domino Data Lab.

# SNOWFLAKE PLATFORM



## DATA SOURCES

OLTP DATABASES

ENTERPRISE APPLICATIONS

THIRD-PARTY

WEB/LOG DATA

IoT



## DATA CONSUMERS

DATA MONETIZATION

OPERATIONAL REPORTING

AD HOC ANALYSIS

REAL-TIME ANALYTICS





# DATA SCIENCE WITH SNOWFLAKE




## SNOWFLAKE FEATURES

 **Data Sharing & Data Marketplace** for access to external datasets

 **Schema-on-Read** for semi-structured data (eg. JSON)

 Process streaming data using **Kafka Connector** and **Snowpipe**

 Query cloud storage without loading data using **External Tables**

 Dashboards & visualizations using **Snowsight** & BI partners



Quick & easy feature engineering using **ANSI SQL Views**



Functional data engineering in Scala/Python via **Snowpark\***



Data enrichment & pipeline orchestration via **External Functions**



Transformation using **Streams and Tasks**



Private sandboxes without duplicating data with **Zero-Copy Cloning**

## Extensive Partner Ecosystem



**H2O ai**



**alteryx** The Thrill of Solving



Built-in support for common drivers (ODBC, JDBC, Python, and more)

## Easily Connect Your ML Toolchain



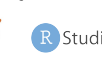
TensorFlow



PyTorch



Keras



## Model Management



**DataRobot** **H2O ai**



**alteryx** The Thrill of Solving



Persist predictions and ground-truth in Snowflake for easy evaluation

## SNOWFLAKE PLATFORM



One platform, one copy of data, many workloads



Secure and governed access to all data



Near-zero maintenance, as a service



Unlimited performance and scale



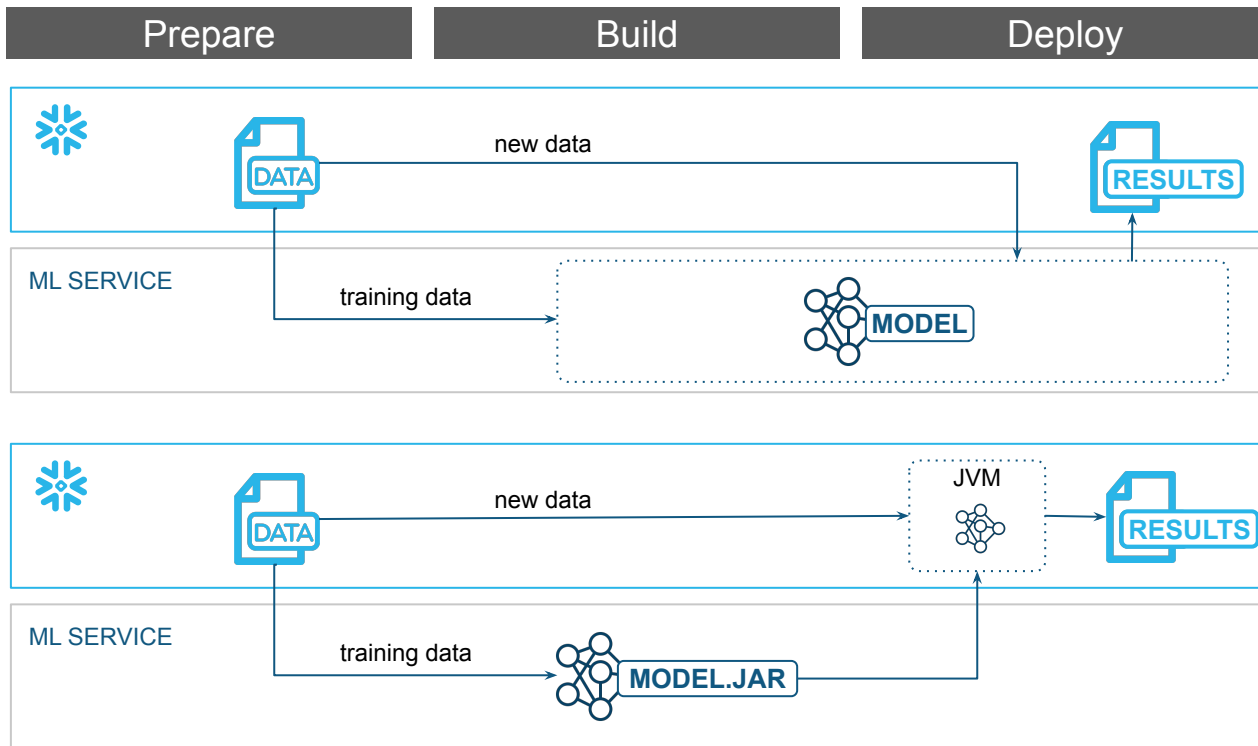
# Model Inference : External Functions or Java UDFs

## EXTERNAL SERVICE

Data continuously travels to externally hosted model (REST API)  
E.g. AWS Lambda

## WITH JAVA UDF

Model packaged as java file (.jar) runs where data lives



ML partners with .JAR models: DataRobot, Dataiku, H2O or bring your own



# SNOWPARK

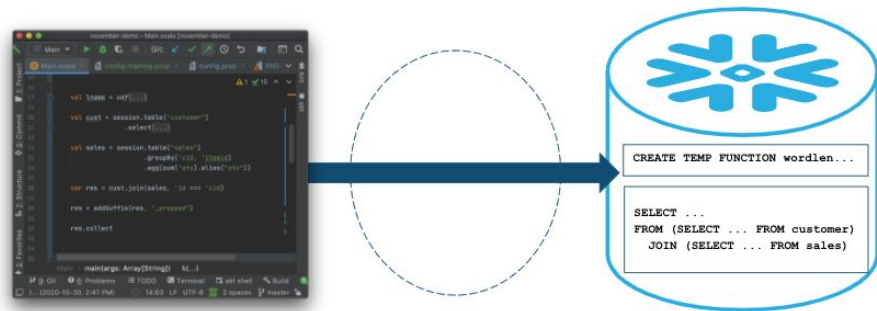
A new developer experience that allows you to write functional code and execute it directly within Snowflake

## Example Use Cases:

- Data transformation
- Data preparation and feature engineering
- ML Scoring / Inference to operationalize ML models in data pipelines
- ELT systems
- Data apps

## Allows coders to:

- Write in their preferred language and tools
- Easily complete and debug data pipelines with familiar constructs such as DataFrames, functions and use third-party libraries.
- Pushes all processing into Snowflake and eliminates the need to have other processing systems



*Snowpark pushes all of its operations directly to Snowflake without the need for Spark or any other intermediary.*



# SNOWFLAKE JAVA FUNCTIONS

Transform and augment your data using custom logic running right next to your data, with no need to manage a separate service.

## Example Scenarios:

- ML Scoring
- Apply custom code
- Use third-party libraries

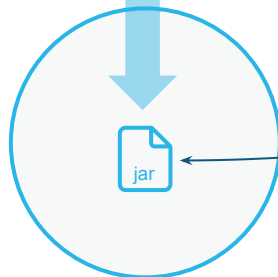
## Benefits:

- Developers can build custom functionality in Snowflake using the JVM languages and popular libraries.
- Snowpark 'publishes' functions developed in Scala as UDFs for execution in Snowflake via SQL or the Snowpark API.
- Users can access this functionality as if it were built in functions in Snowflake.
- Administrators can rest easy: data never leaves Snowflake and access and execution permissions for functions can be controlled.

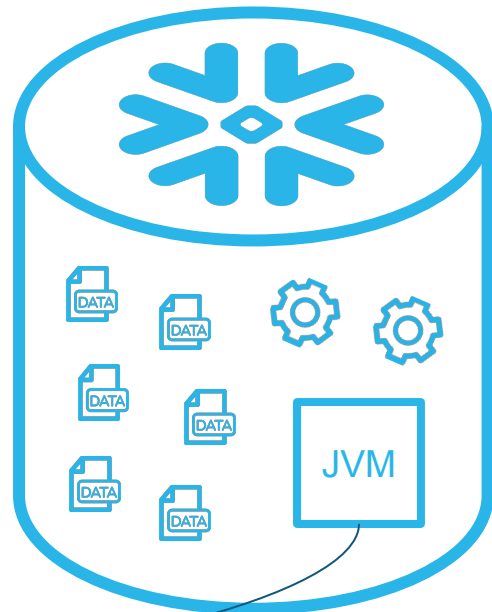
### 1. Build with your tools

```
public class MyClass {
    public static double
    myCustomFunctions (String s)
    {
        /*
         * Let it snow!
         */
        return s.val;
    }
}
```

### 2. Deploy .jar to Snowflake stage



### 3. Bind and use in Snowflake



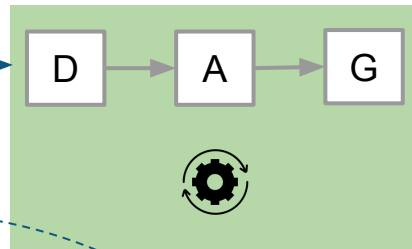
# SNOWPARK + UDFs

## Snowpark (Scala) Client or Scala Stored Procedure

```
val hasPII = udf(<PII detection code>)
```

```
df = session.table("accident_raw")  
  .filter(hasPII("summary"))  
  .select("summary")
```

```
df.show()
```



JAR

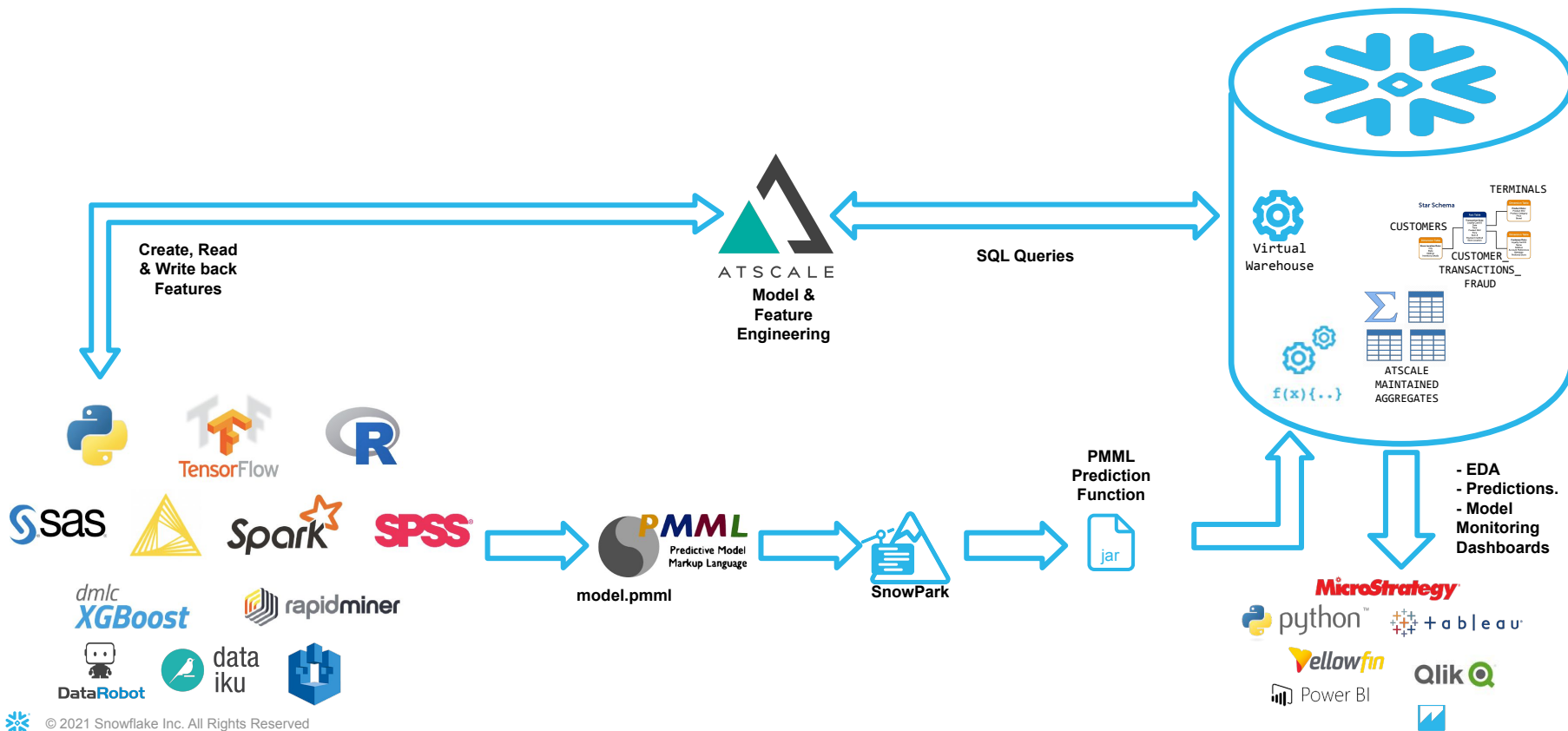
```
CREATE TEMP FUNCTION hasPII...
```

```
SELECT summary  
FROM ( SELECT *  
      FROM ( SELECT * FROM (ACCIDENT_RAW)  
            WHERE haspii("summary")  
            )  
      )  
)
```





# Model-Portability standards enable model inference & MLOps in Snowflake



# DATA SCIENCE WITH SNOWFLAKE

## BEST PRACTICES



Enrich datasets using **Data Marketplace** for improved model accuracy



Use **Streams & Tasks** to build end-to-end ML pipelines



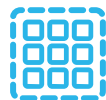
Create datasets without loading data into Snowflake via **External Tables**



Leverage **External & JAVA Functions** for training or to get predictions



Use **Zero-Copy Clones** for training snapshots



Use regular or Materialized **Views** to create repository of ML features used for training and prediction



Optimize training instance memory usage by using **Snowflake SQL** for aggregation & sampling



Use **SnowPark** for functional programming with **dataframes** running in Snowflake



# SUMMARY

- ❑ AtScale enables data, features and relationships to be modelled over Snowflake tables.
- ❑ Native Data Frame support via Snowpark enables Data Engineers and Scientists to build data engineering pipelines and execute models.
- ❑ Model storage/persistence and interoperability via PMML (and other) open model format.
- ❑ Java UDF allows fast compiled custom code execution within Snowflake.
- ❑ Access to Java based languages and libraries directly in Snowflake.

# What is AtScale?



AtScale is a **semantic layer** for business intelligence and data science programs pushing all compute down to data in Snowflake.

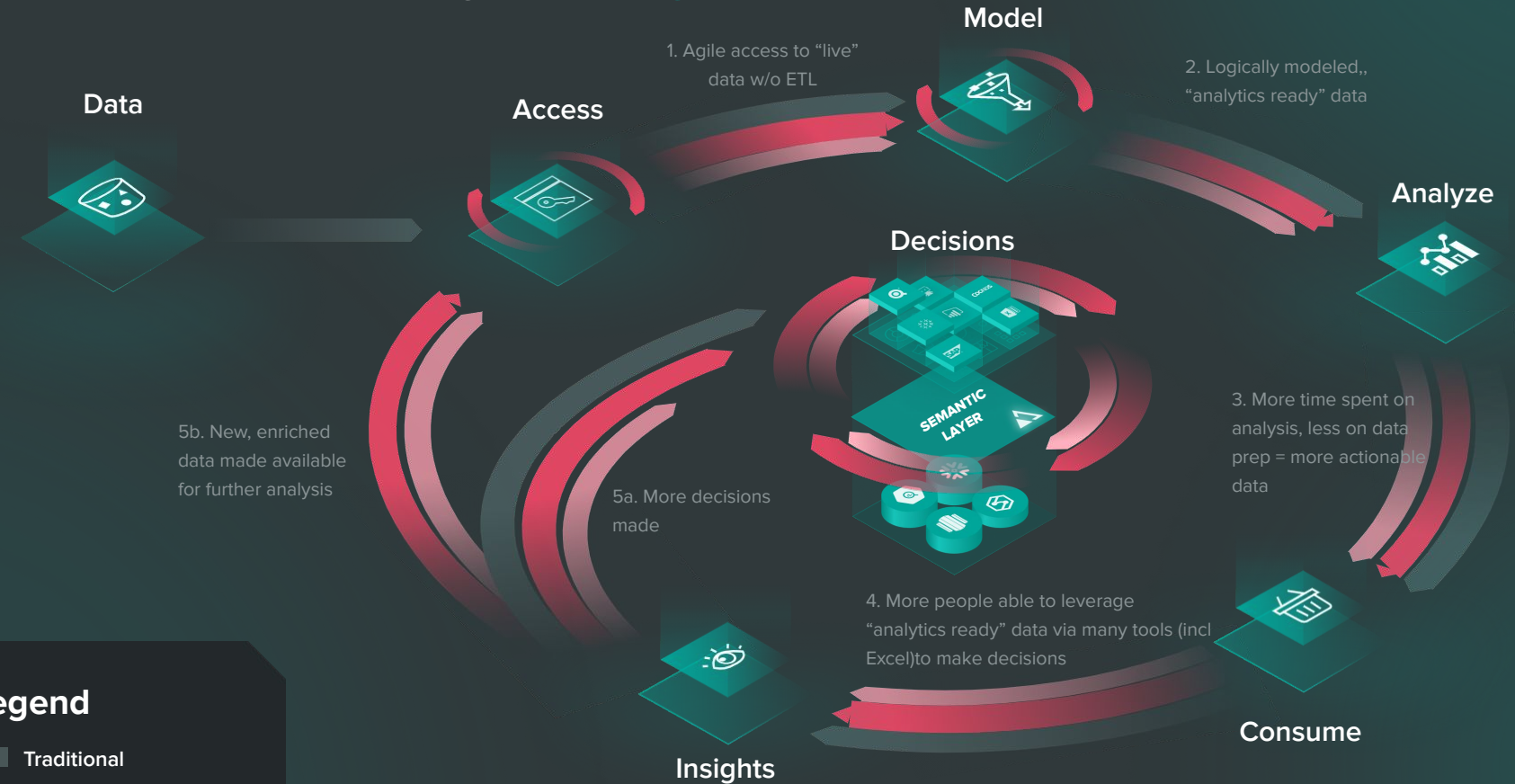
Presents a **consistent set of business metrics** for BI and Data Science teams to consume from with **tools of their choice**.

Establishes an integration layer within the enterprise data fabric to support **analytics discoverability, governance, and security**.

Accelerates end-to-end query **performance** while **pushing down compute** to Snowflake.



# The Data & Analytics Flywheel



## Legend

- Traditional
- w/ Semantic Layer

# Bridging Data Science and Business Intelligence

## Business Intelligence Teams

- KPIs used by the business
- Data dimensionality (e.g. time, geography, product, customer, etc.)
- Hierarchical definition (i.e. time series analytics, drill into data for granular analysis)



## Data Science Teams

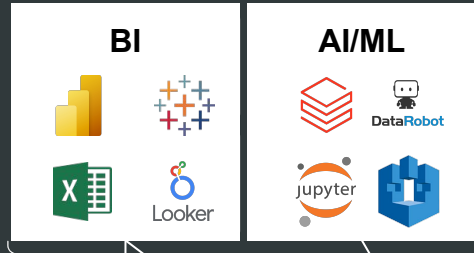
- Domain specific features
- Predictive models based on features
- Time series predictions
- Explain predictive model outcomes
- Understand model drift



# AtScale Keeps BI & AI Workloads on Snowflake



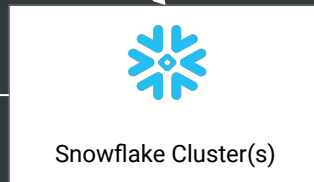
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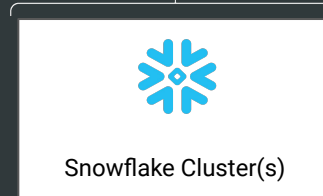
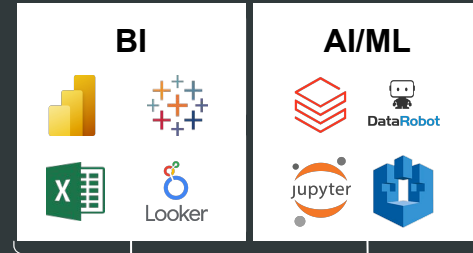
BI Workloads  
Runs  
Elsewhere

AI/ML Workloads  
(inconsistent data)

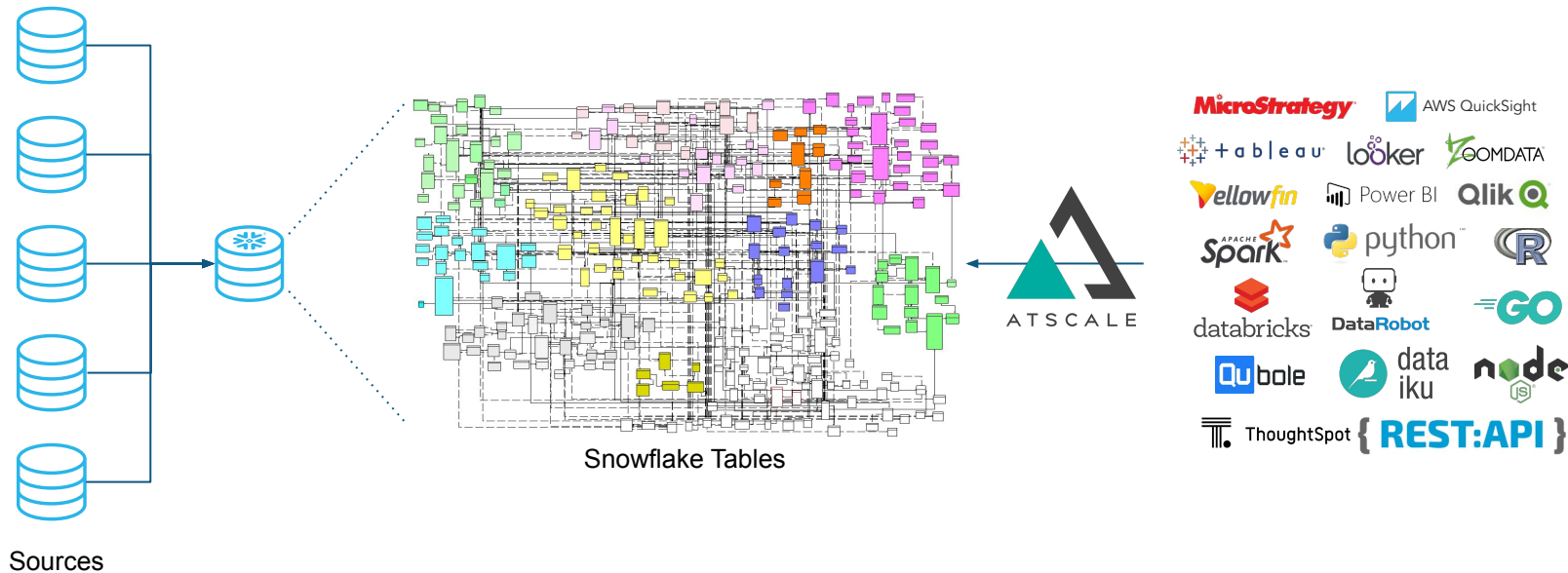
Data Loads/Cube Builds  
(latent, stale data)



After



# BUSINESS ALIGNMENT ACROSS CONSUMPTION LAYERS IS HARD





# Credit Card Fraud Detection Demo

Data Engineer

## Data Collection

Data Ingestion loaded into Snowflake with Snowpark

- 00 - Snowpark - Data Engineering pipeline to Load Data.  
**Snowpark (Scala)**  
{ this Step run pre-demo }

Data Engineer/Scientist

## Feature Engineering

Model data and Features in AtScale. Computation in Snowflake, via Python CLI

Data Scientist

## Model Training

Train Model (SciKit Learn) and Create PMML model file

Data Engineer

## Model Deployment

Deploy PMML model as Prediction function using Java UDF, and use for operational insights

- 03 - Snowpark - Deploy Model & Score.  
**Snowpark (Scala)**

- Snf-ds-webinar  
**Python + Atscale**