Model Lake: a New Alternative for Machine Learning Models Management and Governance

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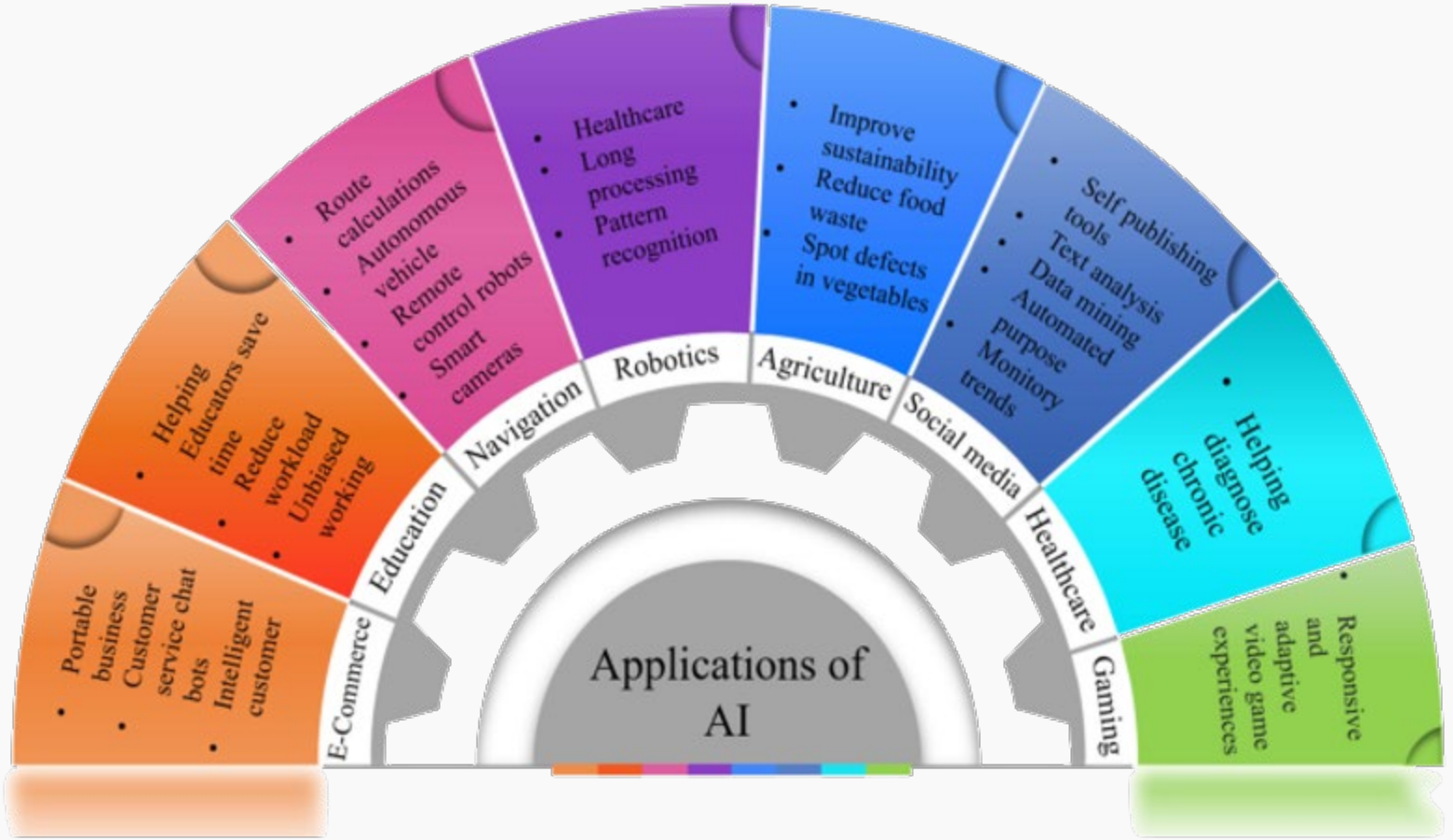
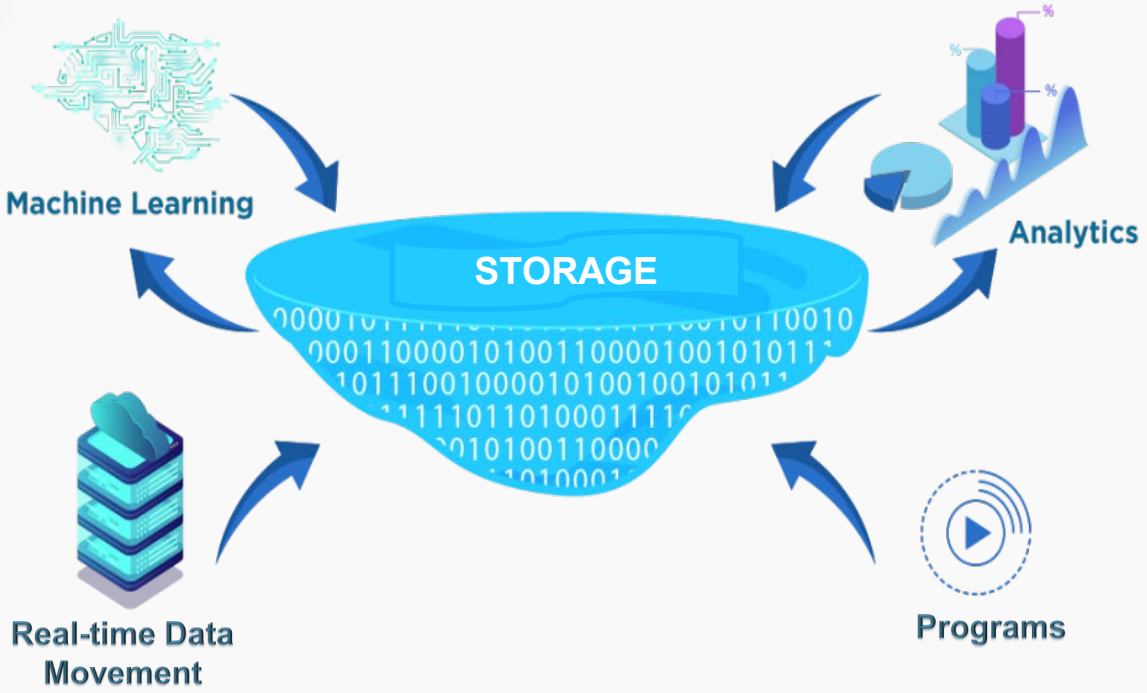
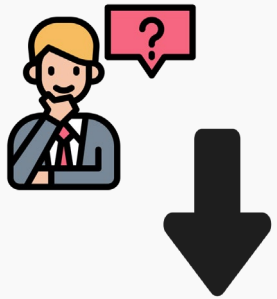
Context: Success of Machine Learning & Deep Learning (1/2)



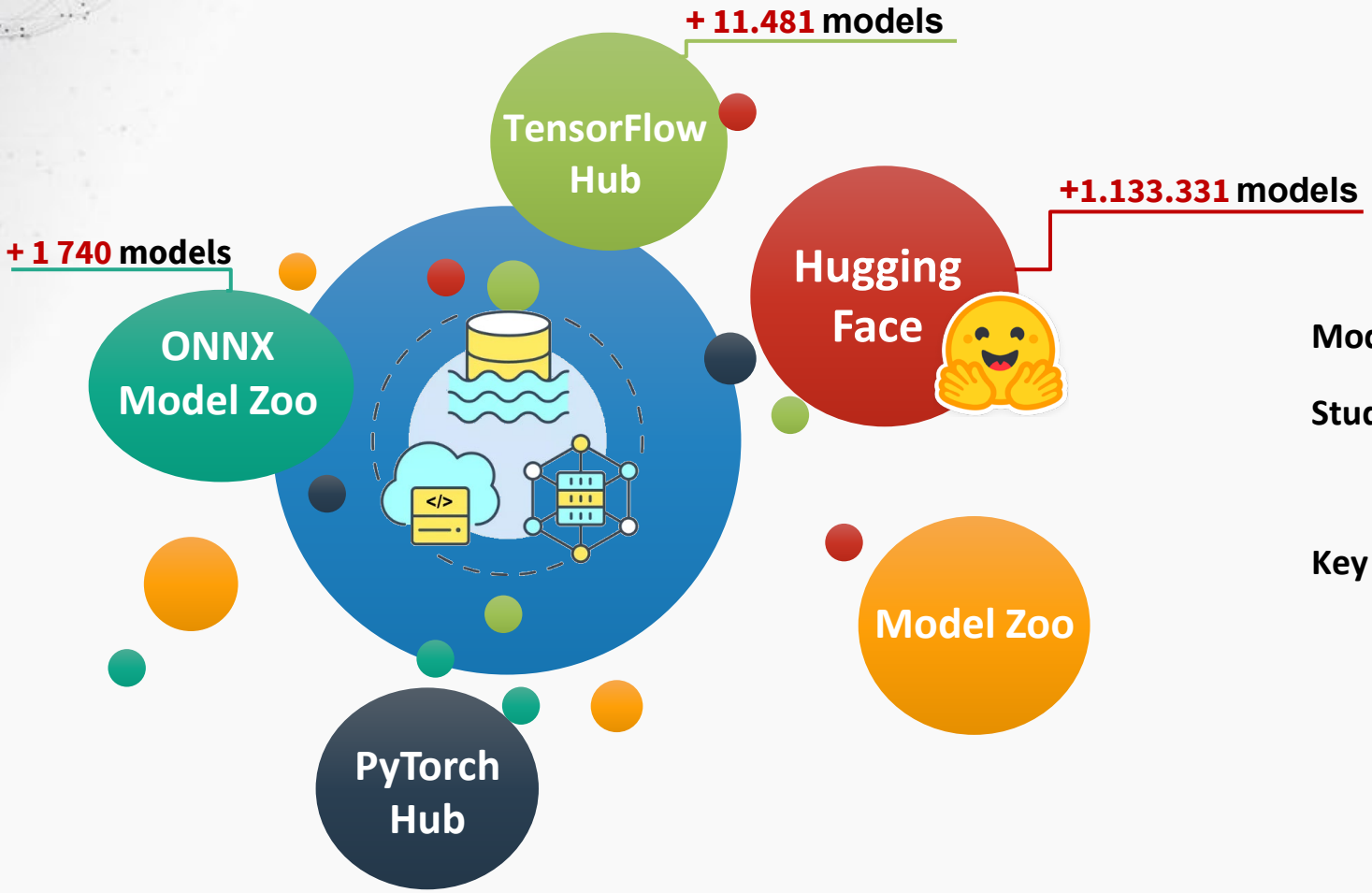
Context: Management problem of ML/DL Models (2/2)





- *How can we manage and understand many available ML models?*
- *How can we know what a model does and how it was trained?*
- *How can we ensure ethical use and trace model lineage?*
- *How can we ensure compliance with regulations?*
- *How can we improve models to avoid mistakes?*

Model Repository, Registry, Zoo, ...



Model Reuse in the Hugging Face Registry (W. Jiang et al.):

Study Approach:

- Interviews with 12 practitioners to identify challenges.
- Analysis of 63,182 models in the registry.

Key Challenges:

- Missing attributes: model lineage, training data.
- Disparities in claimed vs. actual performance.
- Privacy and ethical concerns due to opaque data lineage.

W. Jiang et al. An Empirical Study of Pre-Trained Model Reuse in the Hugging Face Deep Learning Model Registry. 2023. arXiv: 2303.02552.

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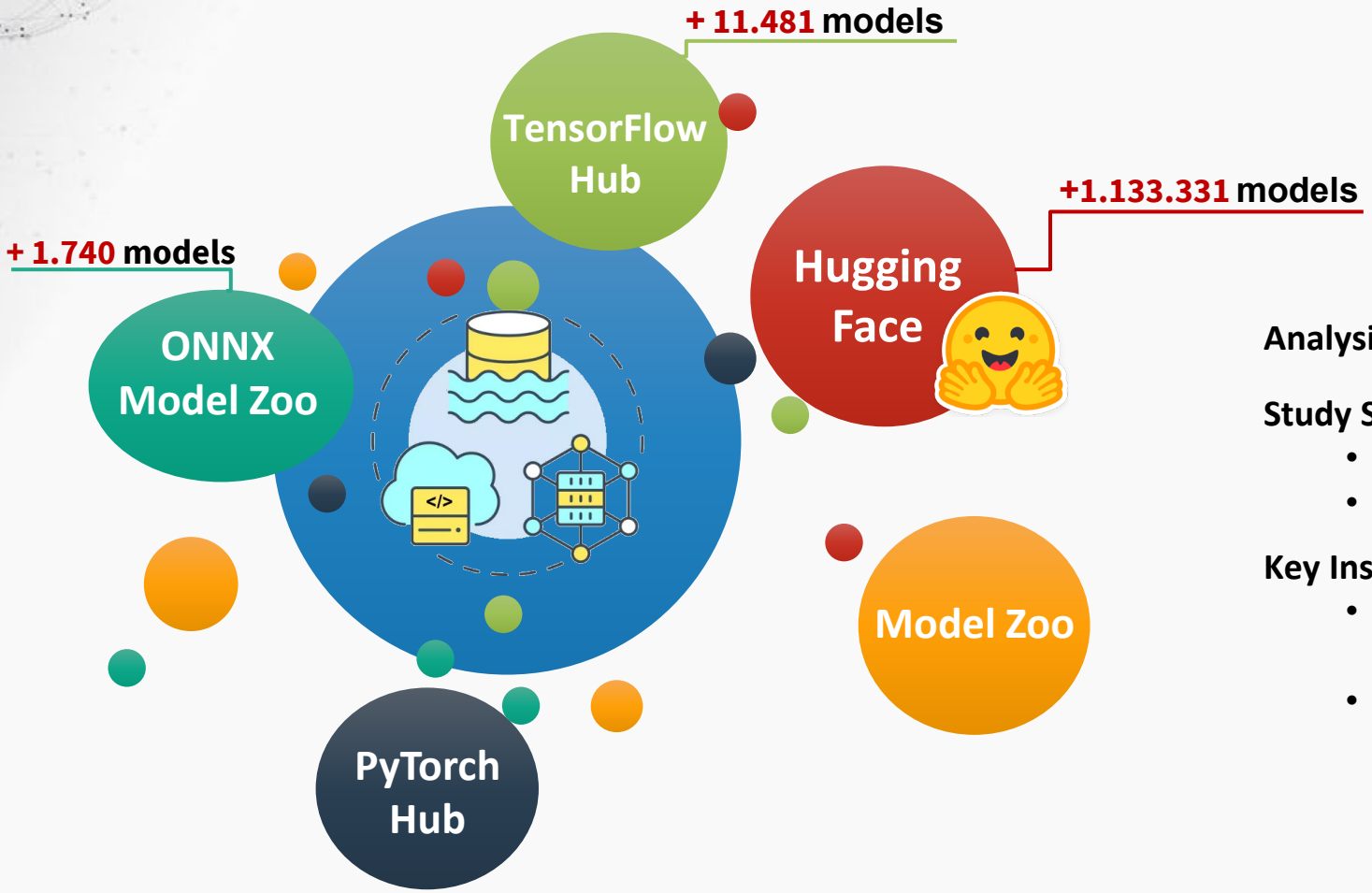


Analysis of Hugging Face Model Cards (W. Liang et al.):

Study Scope:

- Analyzed 74.970 model repositories from 20.455 user accounts.
- Found only 32.111 repositories (44.2%) include model cards.

Key Insights:

- Over 56% of models lack proper documentation, reducing reliability.
- **Highlights the need for data-centric approaches to improve model quality and support responsible AI development.**

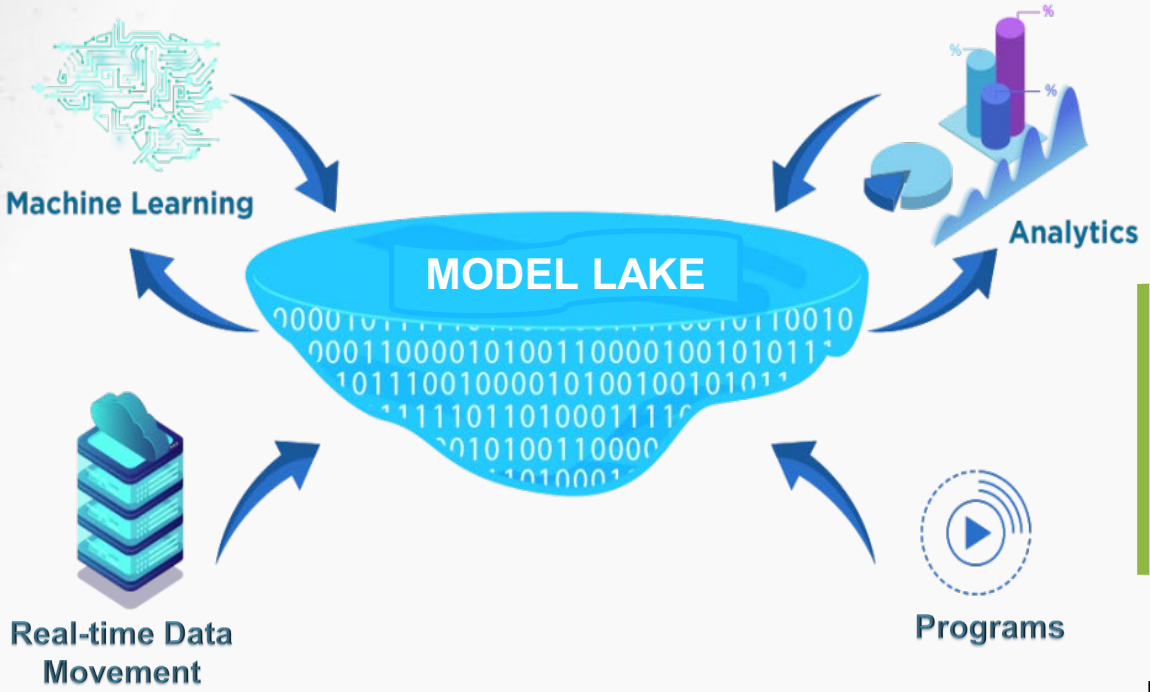
W. Liang et al. What's documented in AI? Systematic Analysis of 32K AIModel Cards. 2024. arXiv: 2402.05160.

Model Lake

- Data Lake efficiency

Model Lake

❑ Model Lake Definition



Definition. Model Lake stands as an integrated ecosystem encompassing respectively the input, process, output and governance aspects of both mined data and developed models. It acts as a centralized hub and management system accommodating diverse data and model types, meeting the requirements of various stakeholders including data engineers, data scientists, data analysts, and business intelligence professionals.

Key Functionalities:

- Raw data ingestion, processing, storage, and governance.
- Model training, fine-tuning, review, and monitoring.
- Data, model, and code provenance, management, and governance.

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❑ Model Lake Architecture

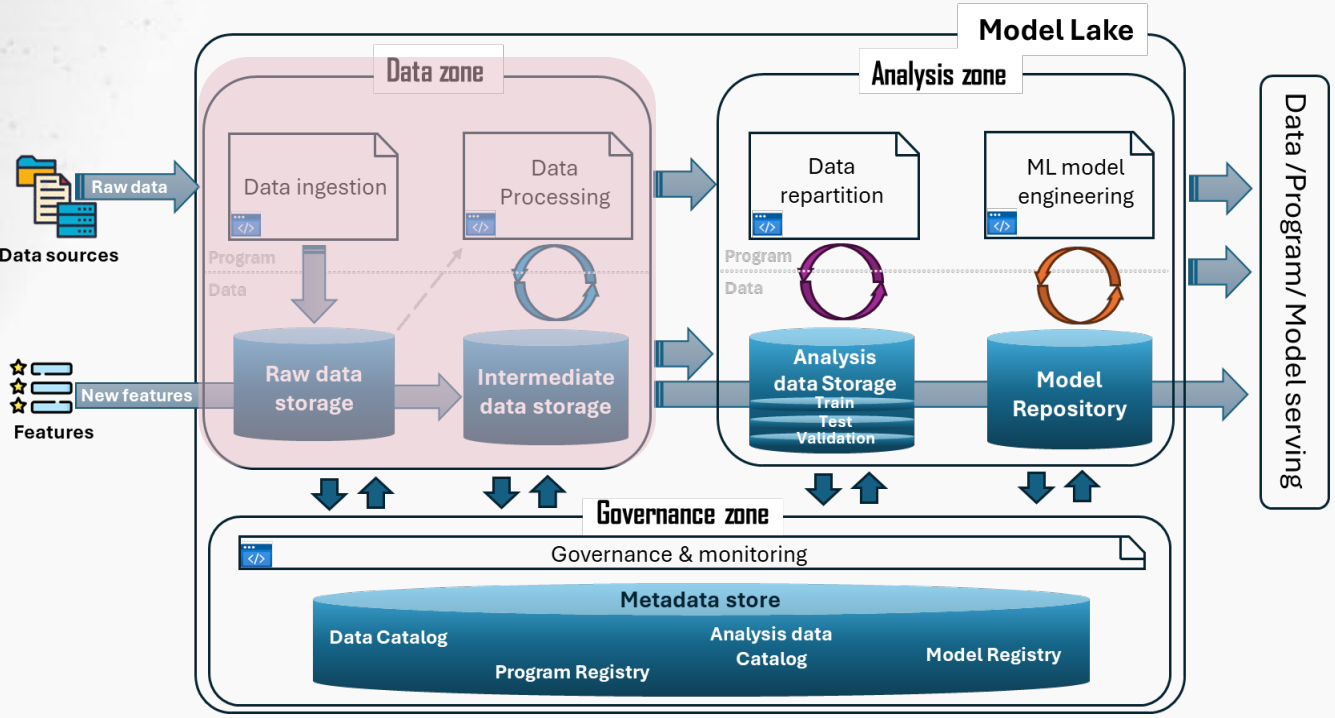

Fig. 1. The proposed Model Lake architecture.

Data Zone :

❑ **Purpose**: Manages data ingestion, processing, and intermediate storage.

- **Ingestion**: Connects to data sources for extraction and change tracking.
- **Processing**: Standardizes raw data with operations like integration, cleaning, transformation, and reduction.
- **Intermediate Storage**: Saves processed data and metadata for lineage tracking.

❑ **Key Role**: Prepares data for analysis.

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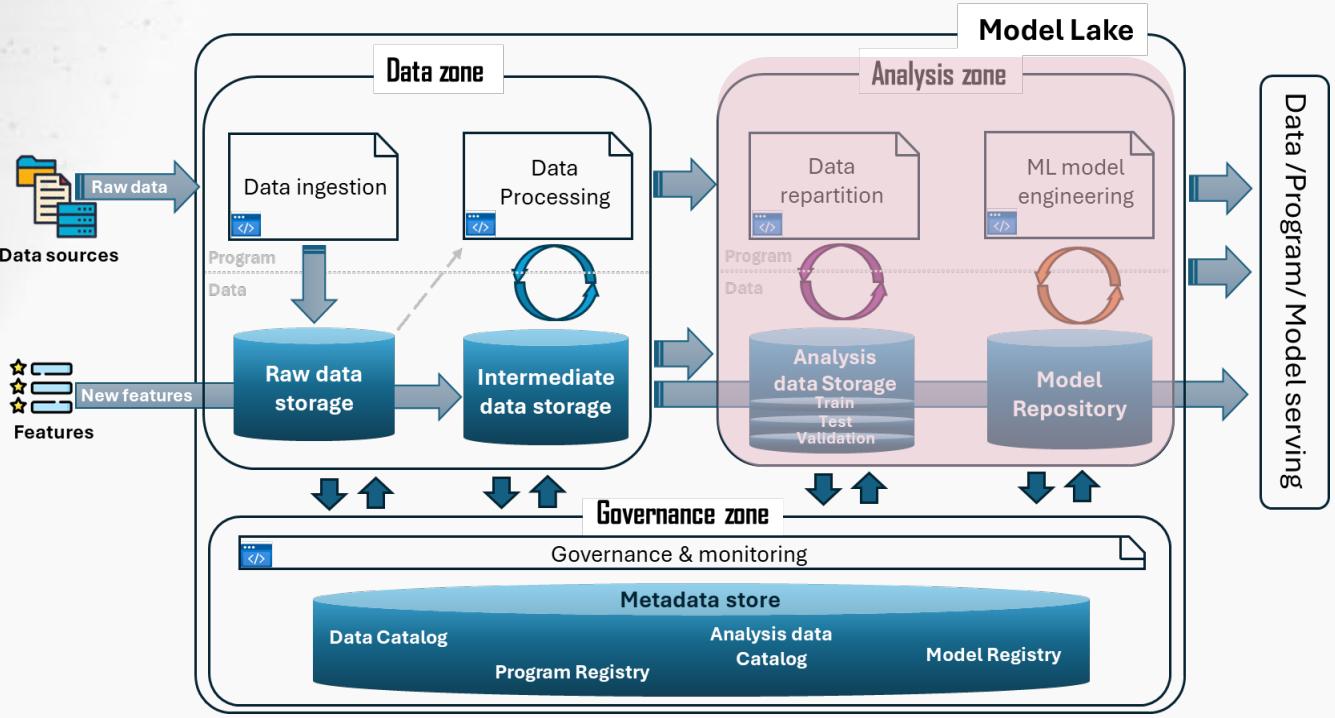

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Analysis Zone :

- **Purpose**: Central hub for data exploration and ML model development.
- **Key Features:**
  - •Advanced data exploration (meta-features, attributes, transformations).
  - •ML model development and evaluation.
  - •Model storage for production.
- **Additional Capabilities:**
  - •Continuous monitoring and feedback for performance and reliability.
  - •Lineage tracking, model comparison, auditing, and compliance.

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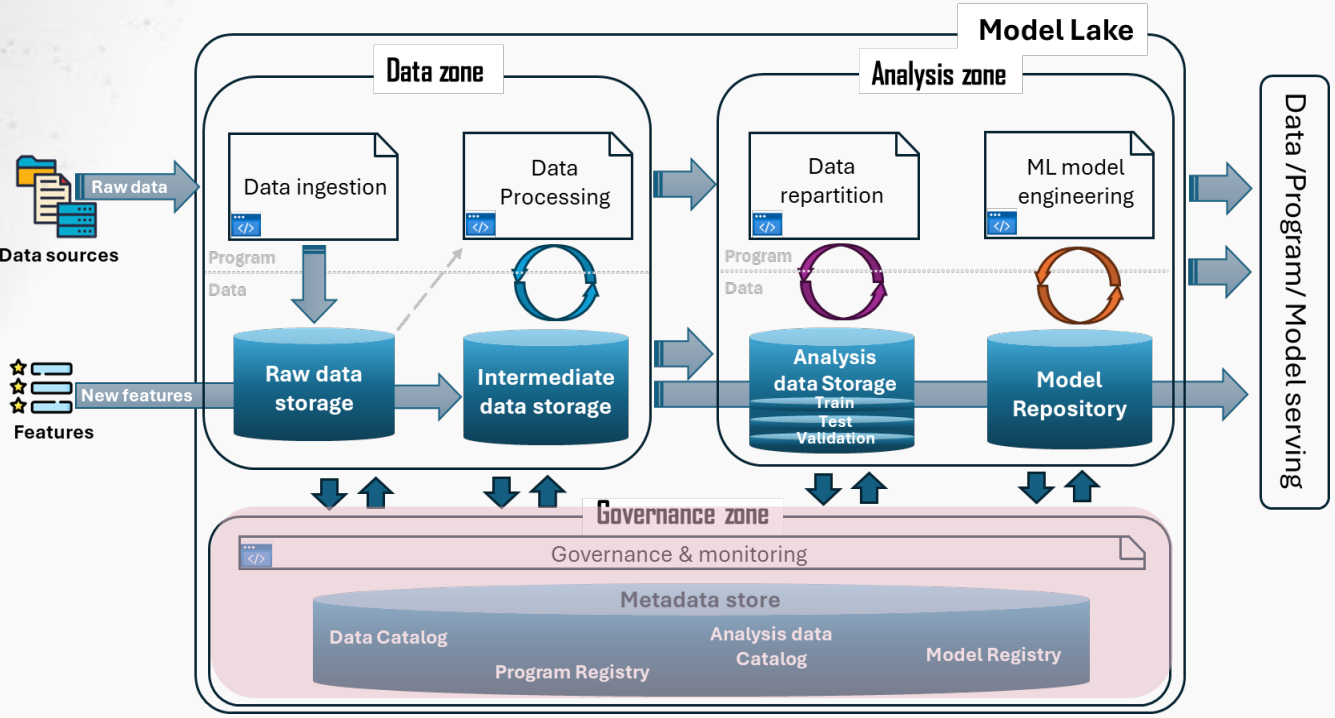

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Governance and Management Zone:

- **Purpose**: ensure Data, Program, Model security, lifecycle management, access, and metadata management.
- **Preventing Model Swamp**:
  - Maintains accessibility and usability of the Model Lake.
- **Metadata Store**:
  - Records metadata for all ML workflow tasks and iterations.
  - Tracks job details (e.g., training date, artifact sources).
- **Model Lineage**:
  - Combines data, model, and code lineage.
  - Tracks metadata like feature data sources, parameters, and performance metrics.
  - Ensures full traceability for each registered model.

Model Lake Metadata Management

❑ Metadata Model on Data zone

We adopt the 5W1H (What, Who, Where, When, why, how) method to facilitate a systematic understanding of data ingestion and processing. This method prompts the following inquiries:

– **What**: Identifying external data sources and the nature of ingestion activities (ingested datasets, their quality, security level, and interrelations).
– **Who**: Determining ownership of the source data, as well as the individuals responsible for data ingestion and processing.
– **Where**: Locating the storage sites for ingested and processed datasets and associated data ingestion/processing code.
– **When**: Establishing timelines for the ingestion and processing of datasets.
– **Why**: Understanding the purpose behind the data processing activities.
– **How**: Understanding the ingestion and processing operations.

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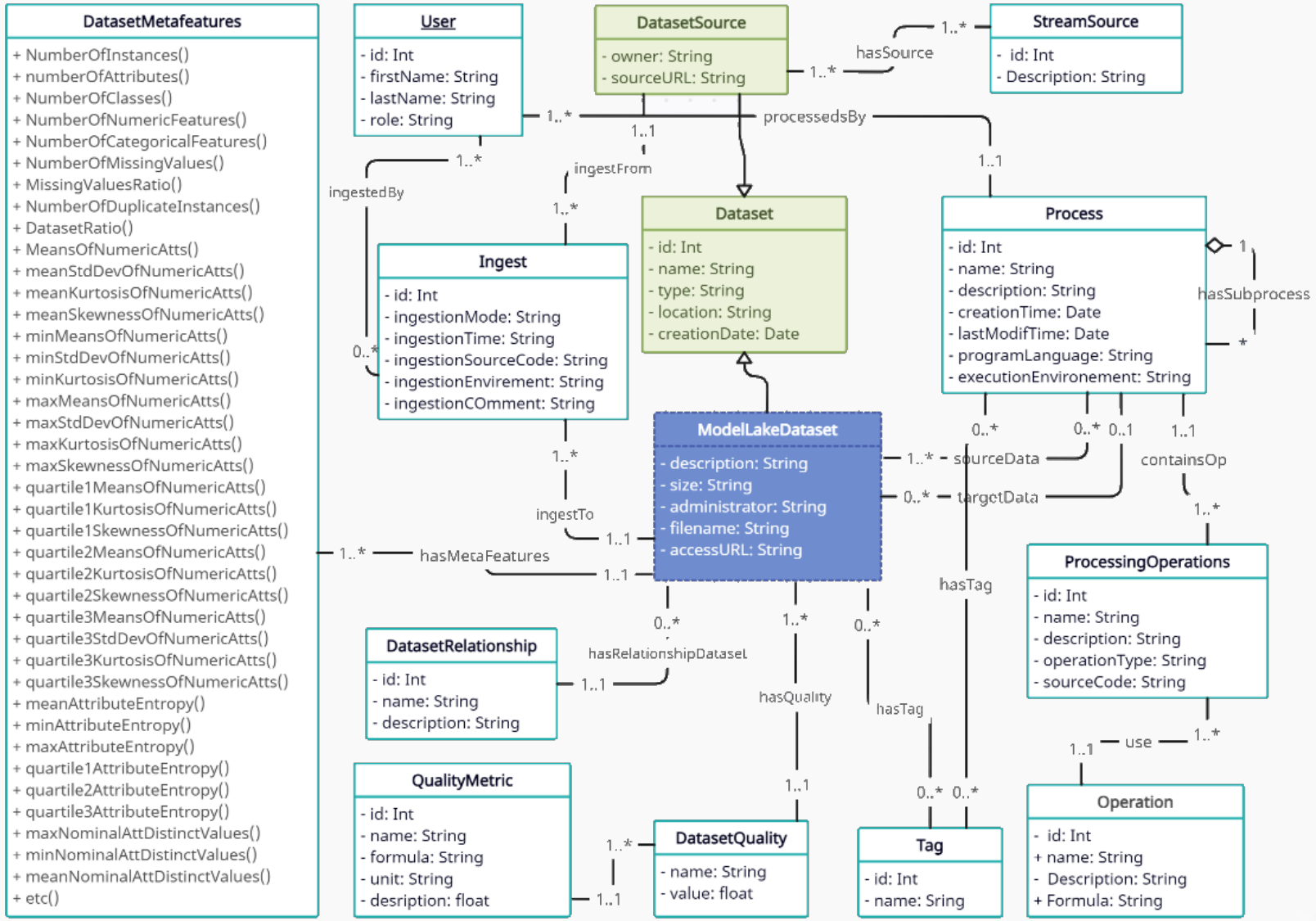

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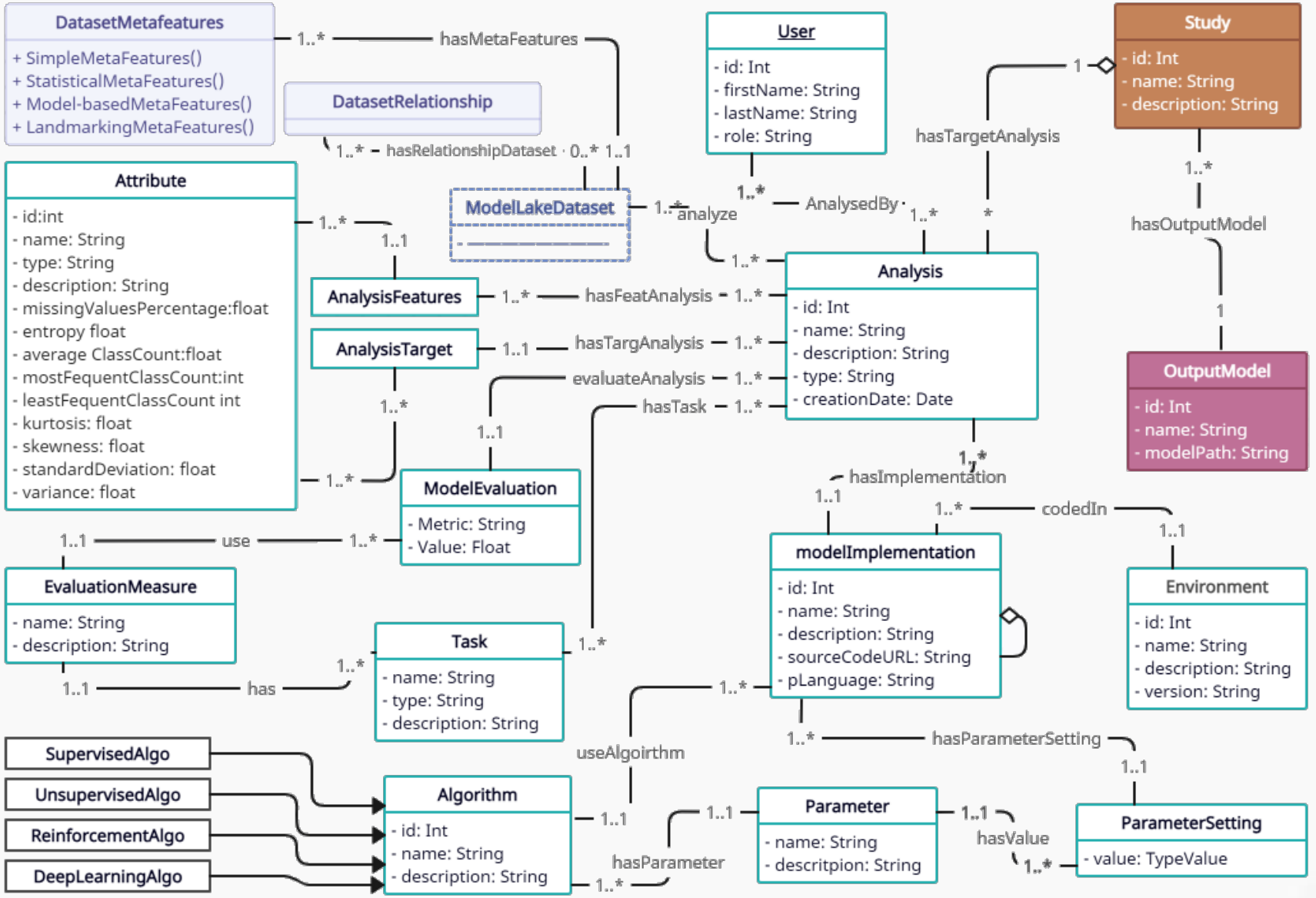
❑ Metadata Model on Data Analysis



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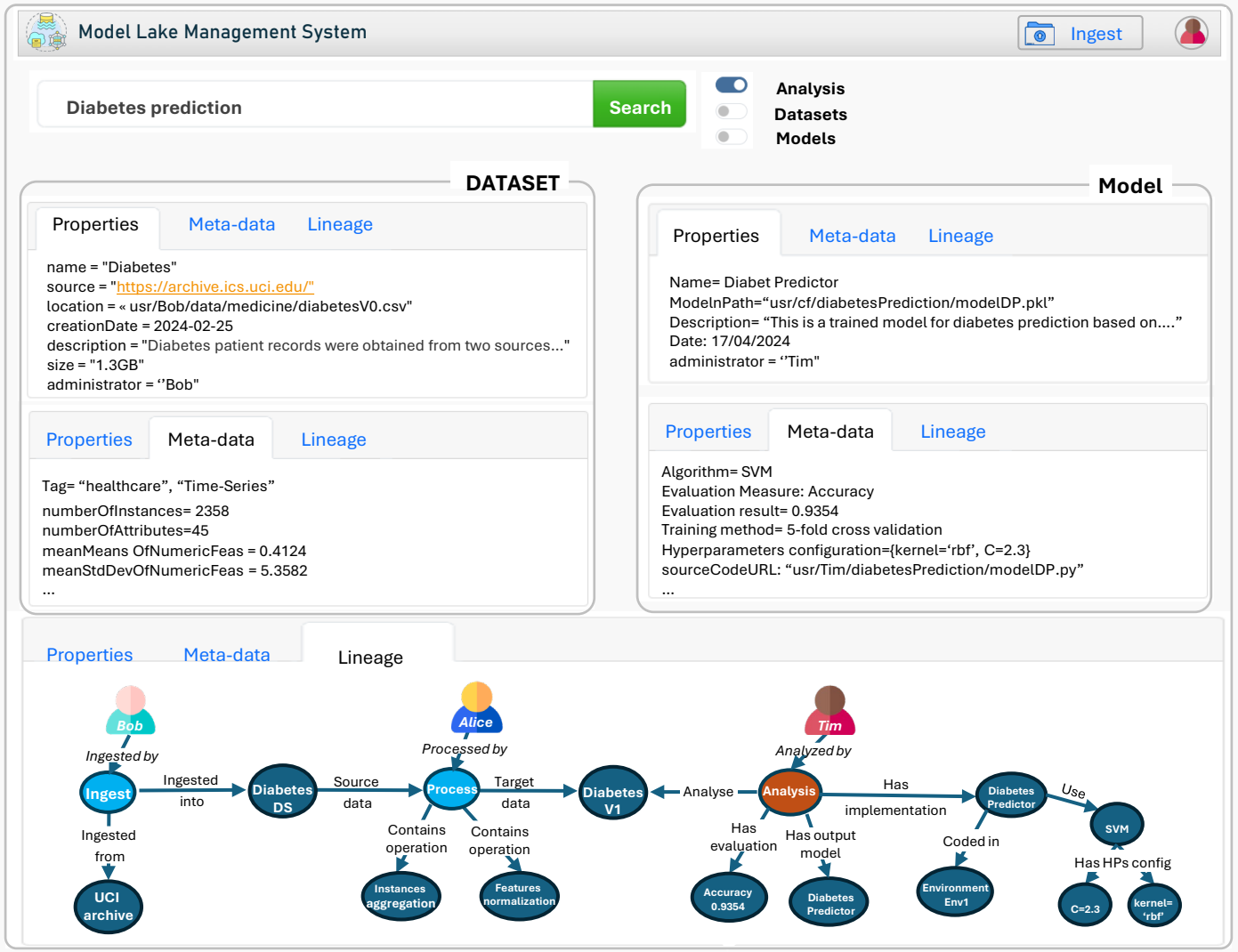

Conclusion & Perspectives

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- Rapid ML model growth presents both opportunities and challenges,
- Lack of standardized management risks limiting their full potential.
- **Model Lakes**: A promising solution for centralized, scalable model management.
- Success requires collaboration across the ecosystem and commitment to responsible AI.

Perspectives

- Expand model lake system to include additional analysis types and ML pipeline artifacts.
- Develop a **recommender system** to enhance data and model search and discovery.

THANK YOU!

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