

Scaling Data Science Platform as a Service



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Jobs where you're a top applicant


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Top 10% of 717 applicants




Software Engineer
Modis
San Francisco Bay Area


 12 alumni

1 month ago •  Easy Apply


Top 10% of 327 applicants




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Mumba Technologies, Inc.
San Mateo, California

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Top 10% of 1,300 applicants




Software Engineer, WhatsApp
Intern/Co-op
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
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
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**Ajay Harshavardhan**
Software Engineer at Microsoft
 Esther Kim and 4 others

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 Iman Mandal and 97 others

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 Satwik Panda and 65 others

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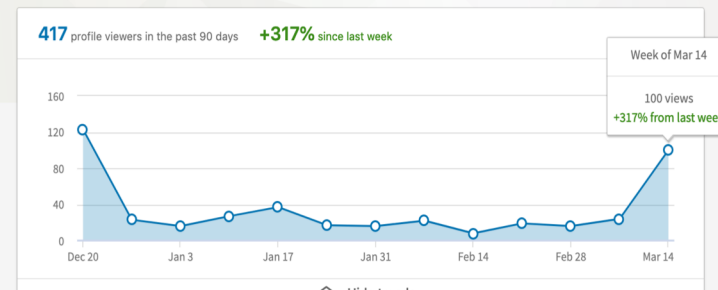
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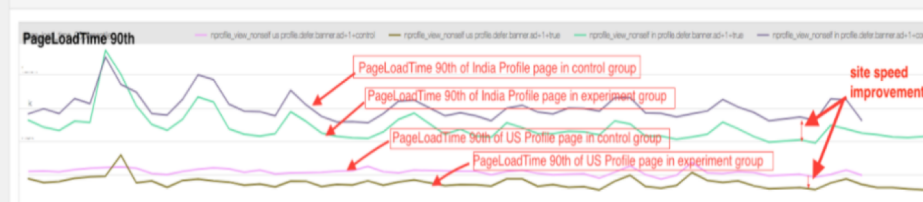
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TALENT INSIGHTS

SHOWING DATA FOR

Product Development

Job title

Location

Industry

Consumer Goods

Talent Pool Report


266,301 Professionals

46,243 Changed jobs

906 Job posts


21,036 Engaged talent

Where is this talent located?



Greater New York City Area
Greater Chicago Area
Greater Los Angeles Area
Indonesia (All regions)
Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul Area

Who is employing this talent?



Top companies
Freshing
Zoomjax
Mintome
Rikix
Tachone

is about Metrics

This Talk

- LinkedIn has a data driven culture
- We measure and monitor everything
- Metrics and how we compute and serve them is at the heart of our data science platform as a service

Once Upon a Time

there were great
many metrics
platforms

Experimentation

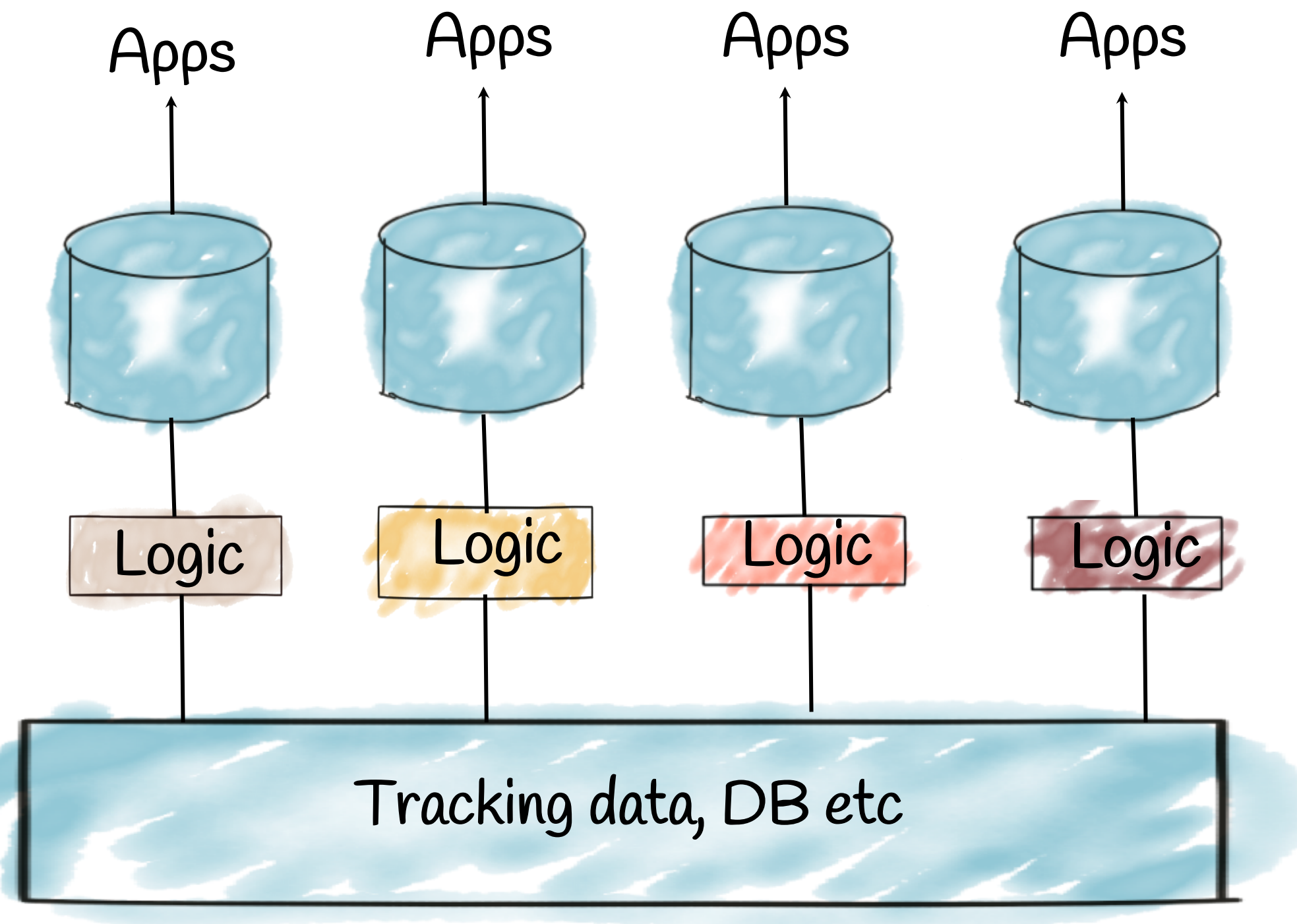
Marketing Metrics

Product Metrics

Executive Metrics

Running on my desktop-for-my-team
metrics

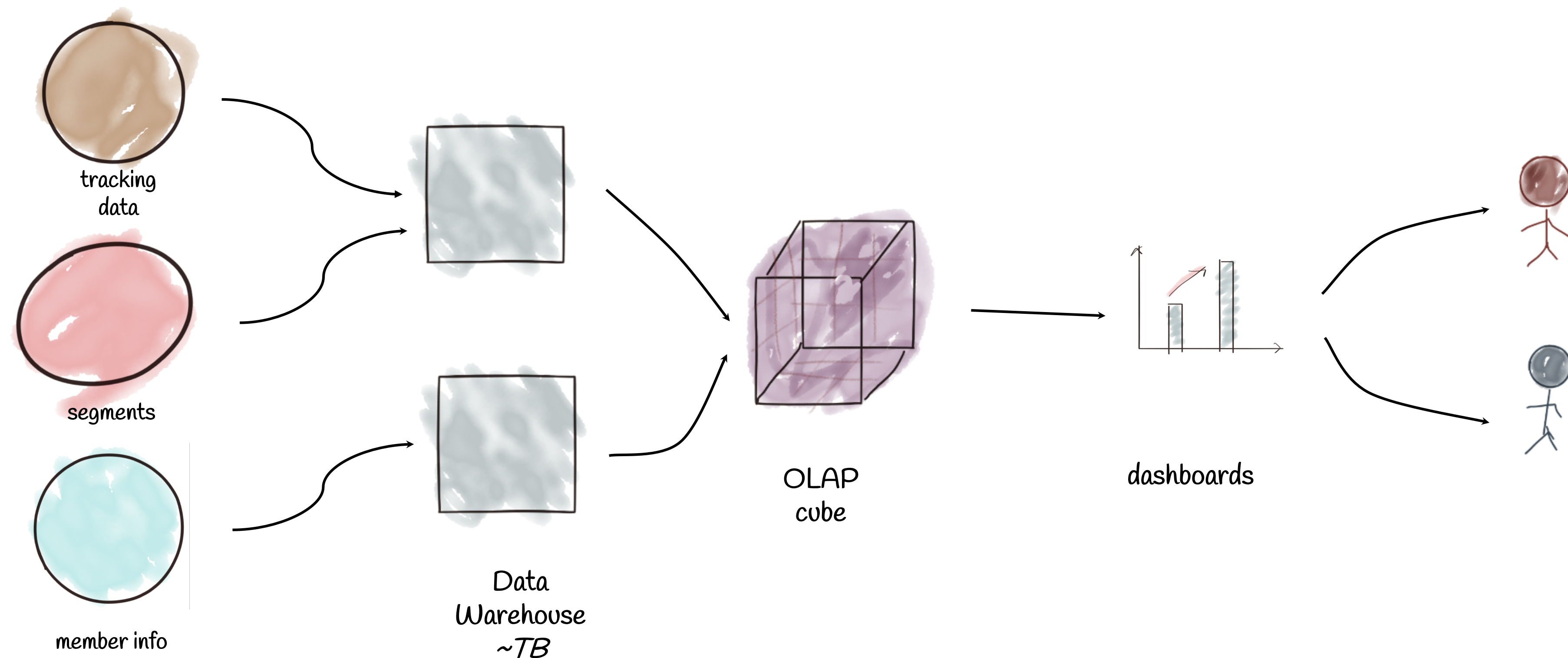
Which was bad



- Inconsistent Data
- Lack of trust
- Closed systems with data and knowledge in silos

Challenge 1: Data Consistency

Challenge 2: Engineering Productivity & Operations



- Identify data sources

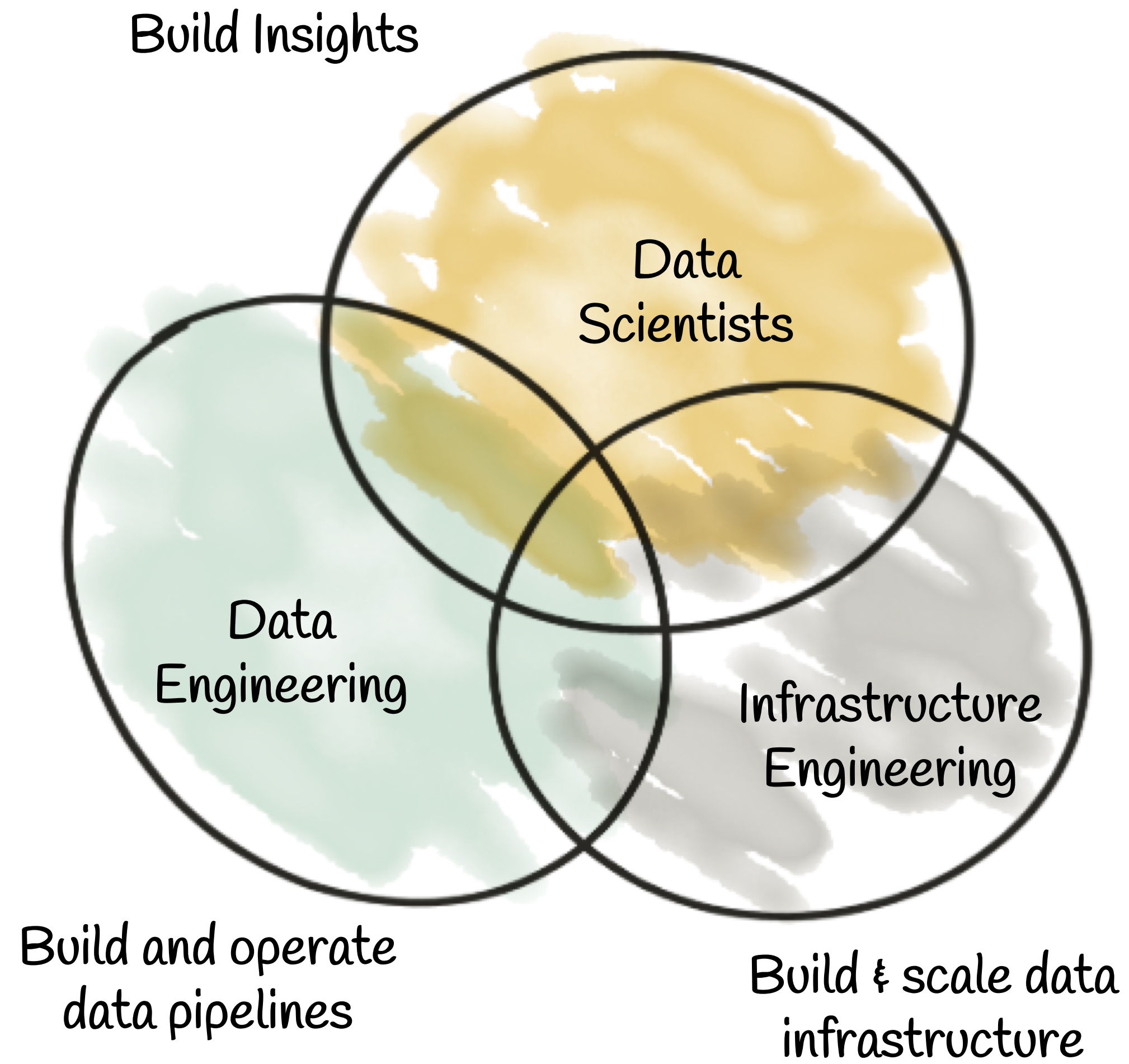
- Build data pipelines

- Data Modeling

- Insights & Analysis

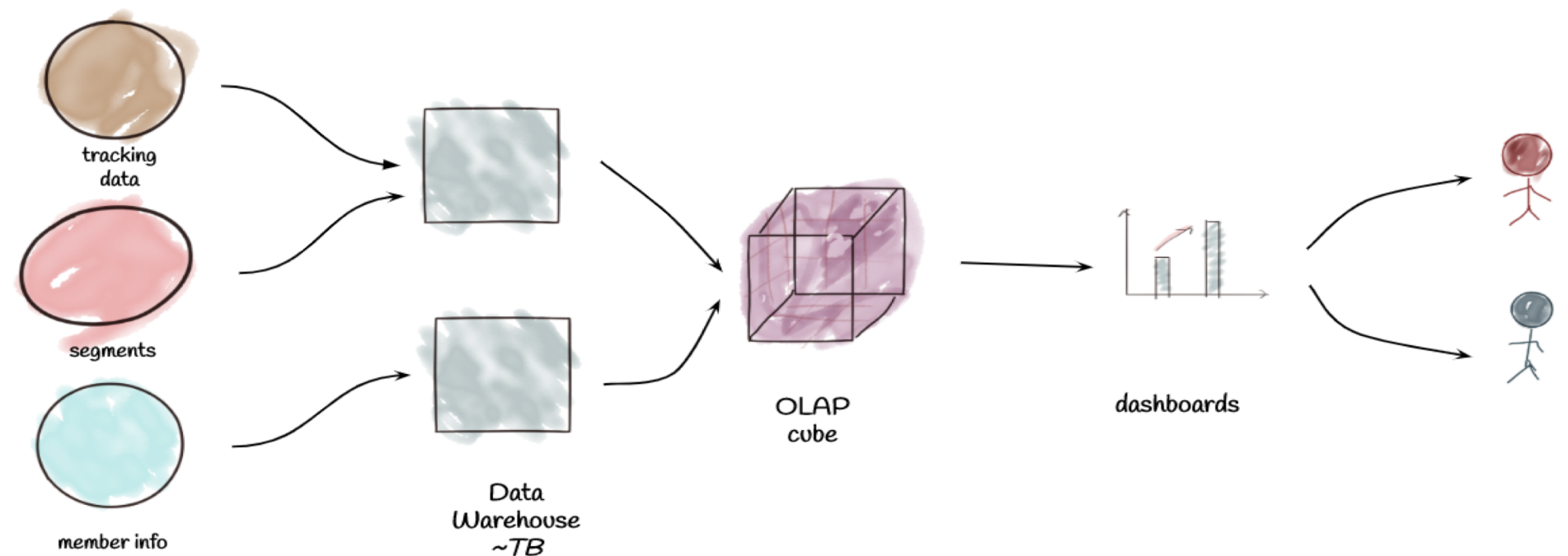
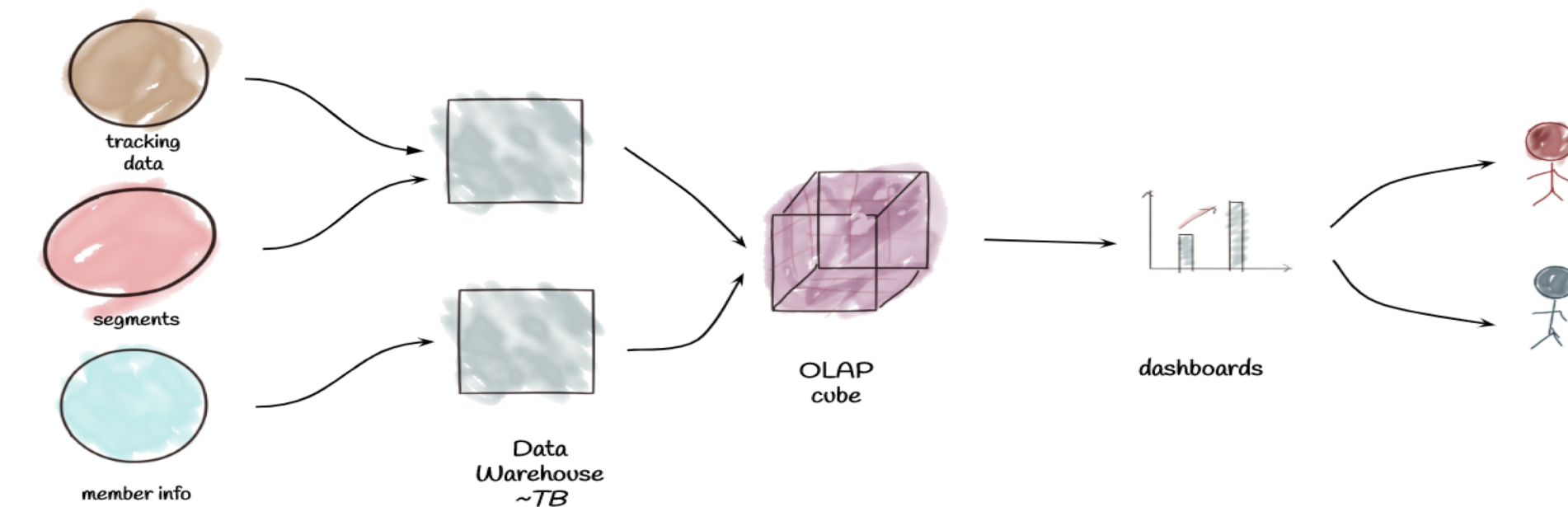
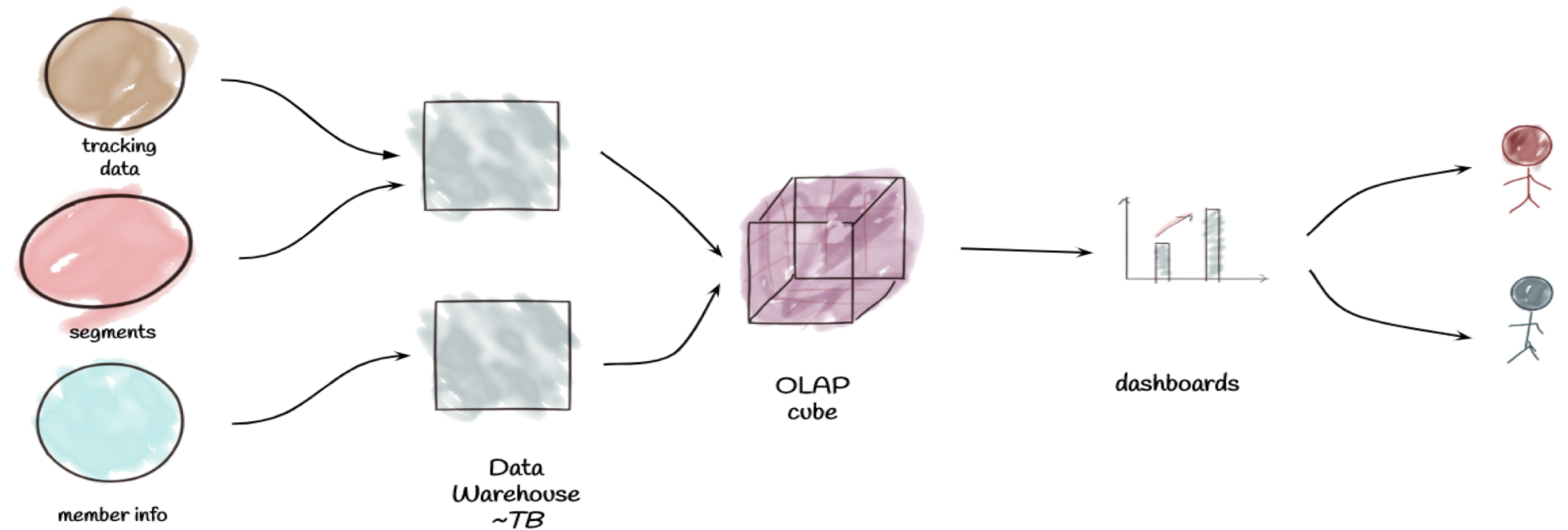
- Data Governance and Access management

Challenges: Engineering Productivity (Contd..)



- Speed can slow down due to multiple teams are involved
- Data scientists productivity declines as they need to be dependent on other teams to build necessary insights

Challenges: Operations (Contd..)



- Building and maintaining thousands of data pipelines is messy
- Consistently maintaining metadata, data lineage, data dependencies, SLA requires specialized systems and needs to be developed across all teams

Solution

Our Approach

“Provide trusted repository of metrics, and build a self-serve platform for sustainable life cycle of metrics”

What did we
want?

Wish List

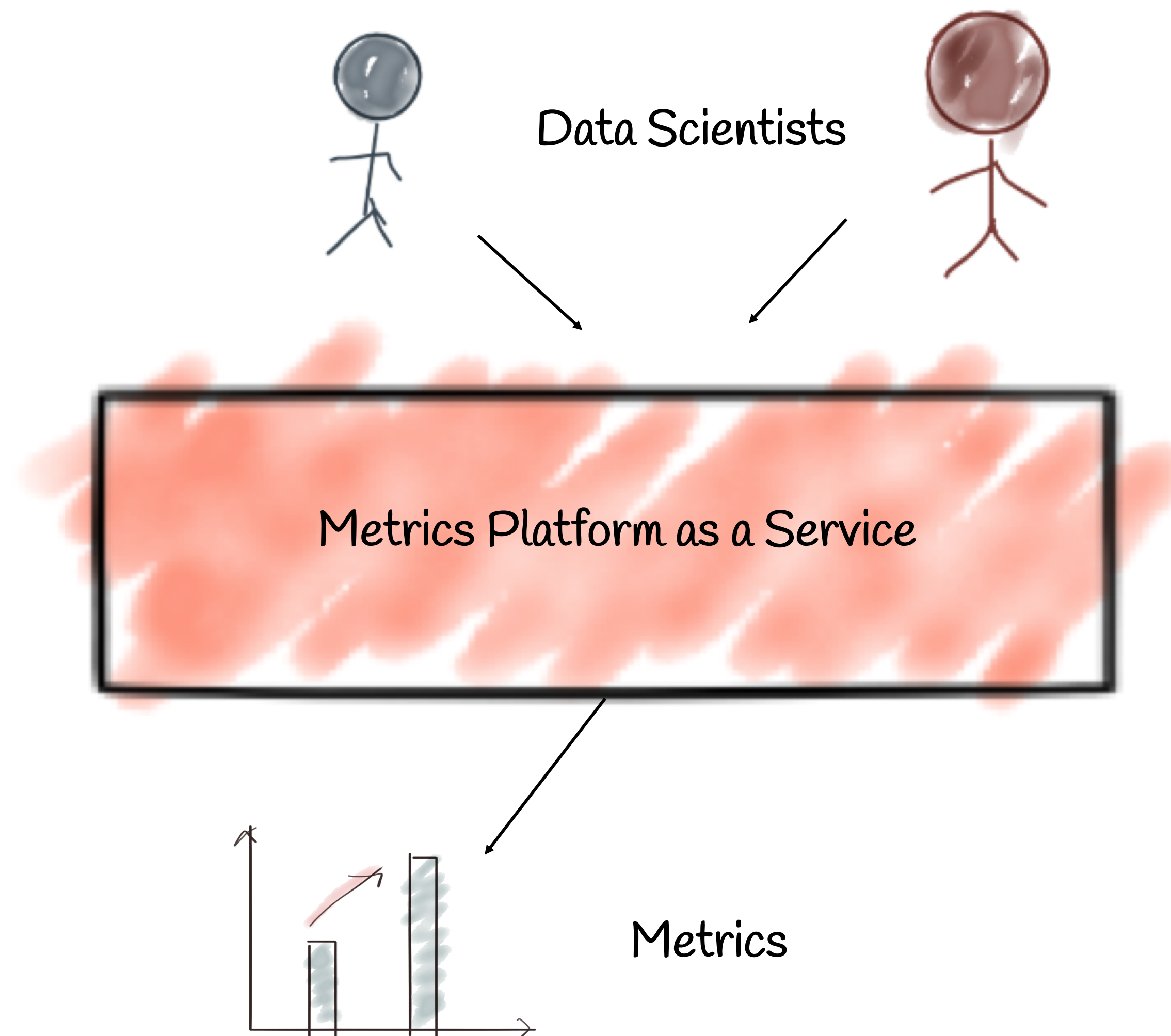
- Same and consistent metrics/ insights in all data applications
- Same metadata everywhere
- Single definition of entity dimensions
- Single definition of event dimensions
- No duplication of metrics
- Allow data scientists to focus on their core skills/ job
- Increase engineering productivity, simplify and optimize operations

Solution

Metrics Platform
as Service

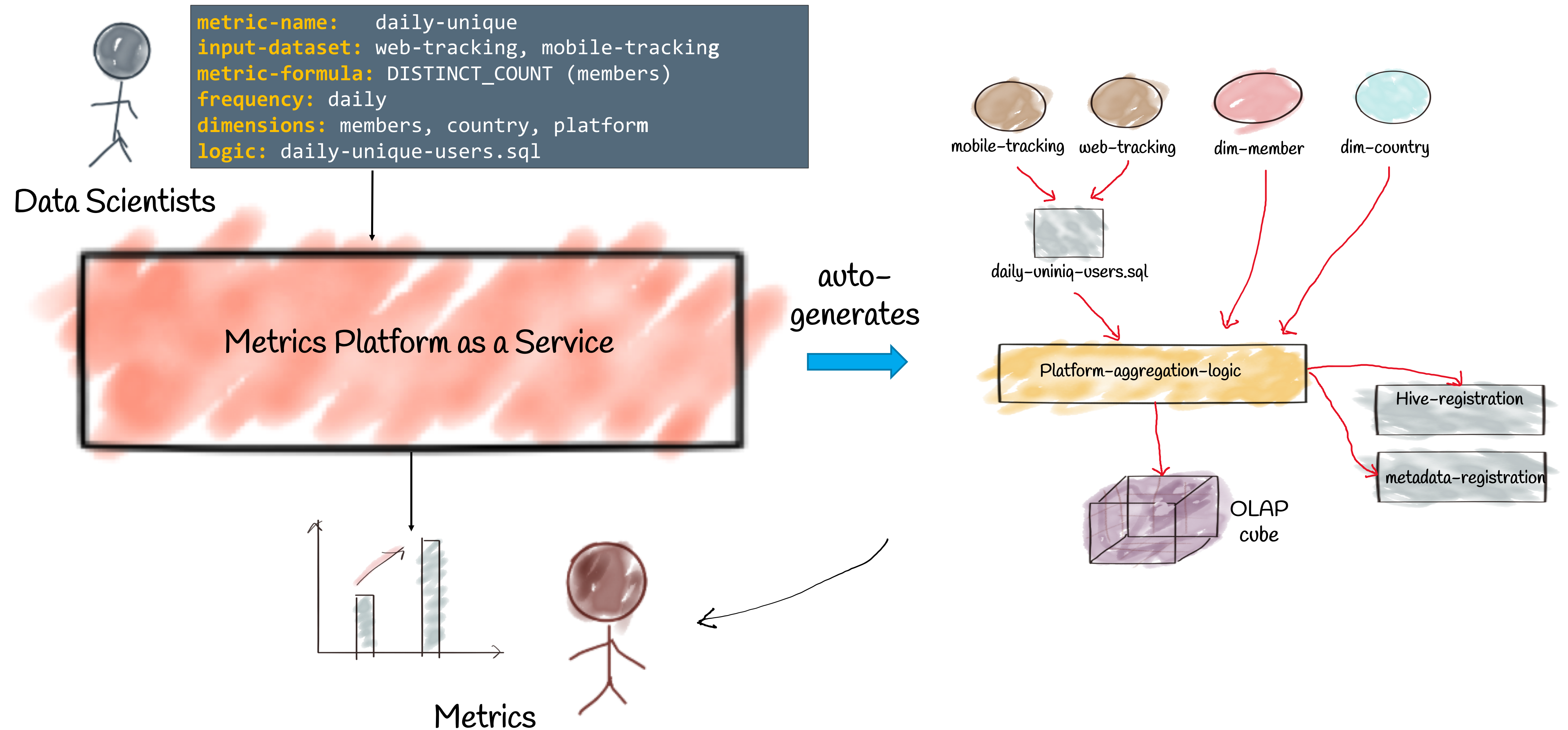
“Platform that builds, manages and scales all metrics across all applications at LinkedIn”

Metrics Platform as a Service



- Data scientists build metrics logic (config + code) into the central platform
- Platform automatically generates necessary data pipelines and centrally operate
- Platform computes and publishes metrics results into dashboard/ downstream apps

Metrics Platform as a Service



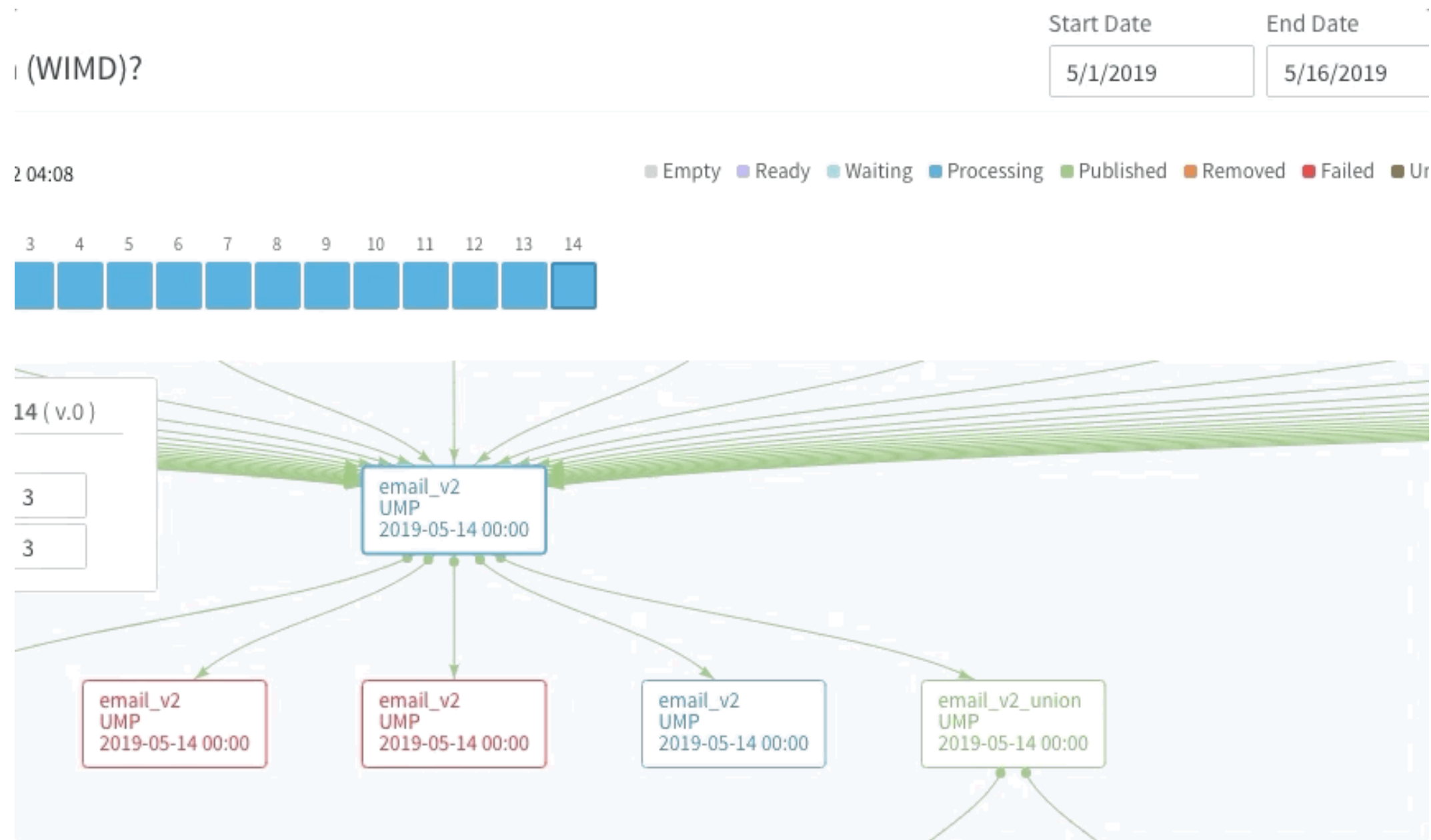
Scaling Metrics Platform

Our journey in evolving our platforms as a de-facto metrics platform for the entire company

Scaling Governance
is not Easy

metric-defs

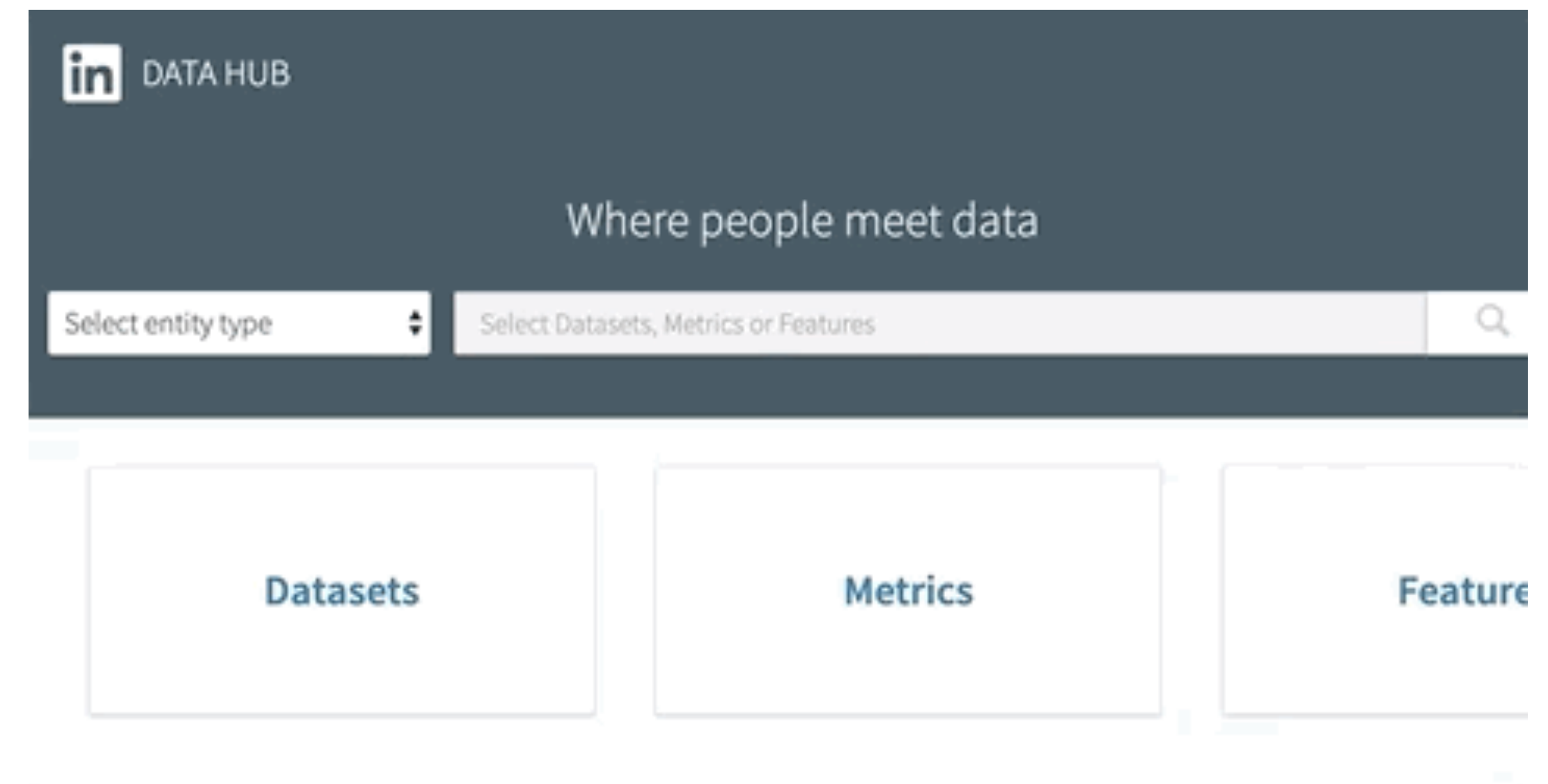
Single source/repository for all metrics



Tools for data lineage

ACL's

ACL Management by Subject Matter Expertise



Search & Discovery experience for your datasets and metrics

Lessons along the way

Implementing default use cases should be simple, but more complex use cases possible

1. Added support for various compute engines: Pig, Hive, Spark, Spark SQL, Presto
2. Templatize common patterns such as cubing, multi datacenter availability, percentile support
3. Build downstream integrations
4. Explore plug-in architecture to avoid making platform team a bottleneck

Lessons along the way

Leverage economies of scale of being the central platform

Simplified Compliance

- Platform managed compliance
- Data Retention and cleanup
- Data Quality Checks

Self-Serve & Operational Tooling

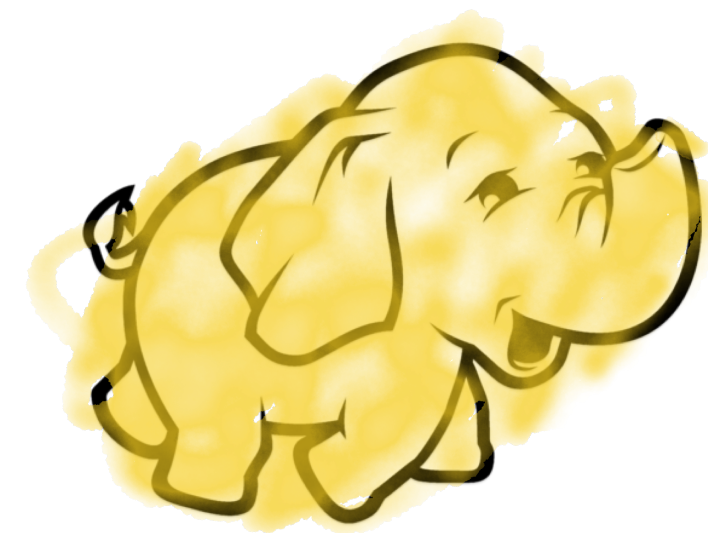
- Flow Management
- Backfills Portal
- Self-heal

Lessons along the way

Innovations are a lot more impactful with platforms

Batch -> Realtime Convergence

- Automatic Hadoop MR -> Kafka/Samza convergence via apache calcite



Hadoop
Offline Metrics



kafka/ samza
Real TimeMetrics

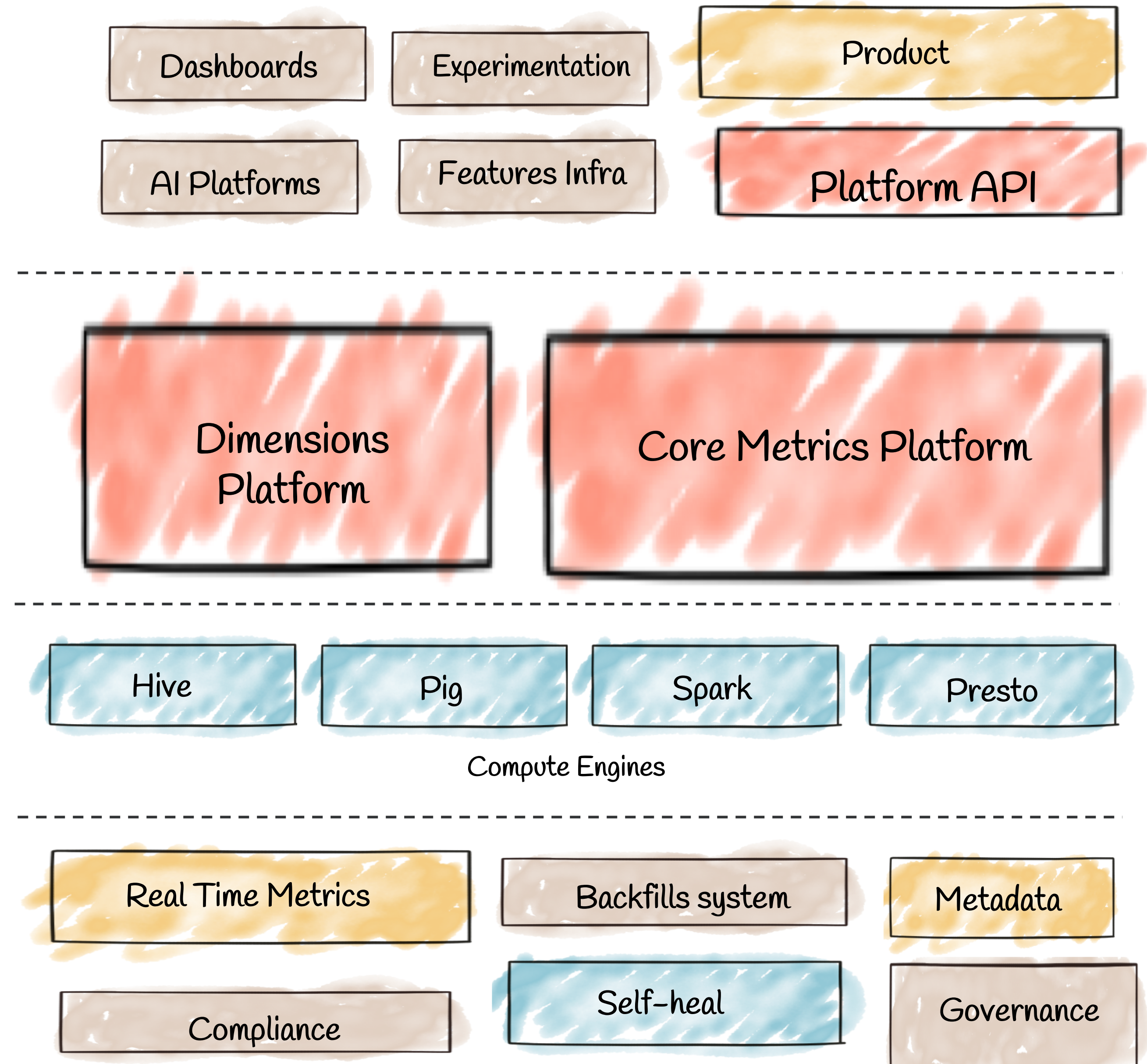
Invest in scaling
governance

Build for
customizations

Leverage economies
of scale

Evolve and
Innovate

Metrics Platform as Service Ecosystem



Thank you

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