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How to unify business intelligence & data science with a semantic layer







A conversation with



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Poll #1:

Are you familiar with the concept of a "**semantic layer**"? (1= Low and 5= High) A semantic layer provides the agility, consistency, and control needed to scale enterprise BI and AI



Where does a semantic layer fit in the stack?



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Poll #2:

Are you using a **cloud data platform**?

CLOUD ANALYTICS OPTIMIZATION Speed of thought analytics on live

cloud data, agile data integration with minimal data movement.



ENTERPRISE CLOUD METRICS STORE

Single source of governed enterprise metrics that can be self-served from any AI/BI tool.

BRIDGING AI AND BI

Common view of data assets and platform for publishing Al-generated insights to decision makers.



OLAP MODERNIZATION

Migrate legacy OLAP (e.g. SSAS) models to modern cloud-first infrastructure.

How is a semantic layer used in cloud architectures?



MLOps - Sample Use Case Architecture

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Custom Cloud AI Solution Pipeline





Poll #3:

Are your BI decisions being **informed by AI**?

Common Pain Points Among Data Analytics Teams

Creating Applied AI Still Requires Deep Expertise

Even with AutoML and MLOps tools, a well-baked understanding of data and model training is required to generate performant model output. Cultural Adoption and Application of ML Models is an Inhibitor to Success

Earning trust and confidence in ML modelling initiatives requires input from multiple personas.

Deploying Production-Ready ML Models is difficult

Data scientists are encumbered by a proliferation of tool preference and different views (and interpretations) of data.

What are some solutions?

Manage Definition Alignment

Making sure business analysts, data engineers, and data scientists are sharing knowledge is crucial to tie the context and data of a business together

Foster Experimentation

Encourage controlled experimentation in sandbox environments so different data personas can manifest shared empathy for opportunities to address skill gap friction

Make Objectives Transparent

Different data, IT, and business personas need to have the same understanding of the goal from the initiative

Develop a Narrative from your Data

Capturing lineage of decisions is crucial to telling a good story about the model development process

Leave Data Where It Is

Share a common view of what data will be used for analytics workloads

Consistency is Key

Solidify common practices, repositories, and languages are used and shared

Live Audience Q&A

Example: AtScale logical view



See AtScale in Action

https://www.atscale.com/demo/

