



# **Data Platform Architectures**



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#### **Overview**

- Data platforms our understanding
- Data Warehouse  $\rightarrow$  Data Lake  $\rightarrow$  Data Lakehouse  $\rightarrow$  Data Mesh
- Data Lakes
  - Architecture framework
  - Zone reference model
  - Zone implementation patterns
- Data Lakehouse (Jan)
- Data Mesh (Laura)



# Background

Data Platforms

- Data-driven analysis techniques allow enterprises to optimize their business processes
- Need for collecting, storing, organizing and processing huge amounts of data



Data Platform: Platform for managing data and metadata for analytical purposes
 → foundation for data collection, data processing and analytics applications

#### **Data Warehouse**

- Mature data platform
- Challenges
  - data volume
  - heterogeneous data sources
  - advanced analytics
  - need to define analytic use cases in advance



#### **Data Warehouses & Data Lakes**



Property	Data Warehouse	Data Lake	
Workloads:	Reporting, OLAP	Advanced analytics	
Users:	Business users, data analysts	Data scientists	
Data Access:	Query language, data export	Direct access on storage	
Guarantees:	ACID	Weak	
Schema:	On-write	On-read	
Data type:	Mainly structured	All types	
Addressing:	Relational	Via metadata	
Data granularity:	Aggregated	Raw and aggregated	
Data Storage:	RDBMS	Polyglot	
Flexibility:	Low	High	
Mgt. features:	Advanced	Rudimentary	

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#### **Data Lake**



- Data lake as supplement to data warehouses
  - fexible analytics without predefined use cases
  - heterogeneous data in raw format
- How to build a data lake?
  - vague, abstract and inconsistent literature
  - only few best practices

#### **Data Lake Architecture Framework**



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#### **Zone Architectures for Data Lakes**

- Motivation for zone models
  - need to organize raw data and preprocessed data
  - organize data by its characteristics
    - degree of processing, degree of applied governance, ...
  - reuse of data integration, data transformation, data models, and more across use cases
- Challenges
  - many proposals for zone architectures
  - no guidance for their implementation



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#### **Zone Reference Model**



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# **Zone Reference Model**

	Landing	Raw	Harmonized	Distilled	Explorative	Delivery
Granularity (Raw – Aggregated)	Raw	Raw	Raw	Aggregated	Any	Any
Schema (Any – Consolidated)	Any	Any	Consolidated	Consolidated, enriched	Any	Any
Syntax (Unchanged – Consolidated)	Basic transformations	Basic transformations	Consolidated	Consolidated	Any	Any
Semantics (Unchanged – Processed)	Mostly unchanged, unless needed for compliance	Mostly unchanged, unless needed for compliance	Mostly unchanged, unless needed for compliance	Complex processing	Any	Any
Properties	Governed, non-historized, non-persistent, protected part, use case independent	Governed, historized, persistent, protected part, use case independent	Governed, historized, persistent, protected part, use case independent	Governed, historized, persistent, protected part, use case dependent	Not governed, non-persistent, protected part, use case dependent	Governed, persistent, protected part, use case dependent
User Groups	Systems, processes	Data scientists, systems, processes	Data scientists, systems, processes	Data scientists, domain experts, systems, processes	Data scientists	Any human users, systems, processes
Modeling Approach	Any	Any	Standardized	Standardized	Any	Any

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# **Zone Implementation Patterns**

# **Categories of Patterns**



- How is the zone model represented in the Data Lake?
- How does one know which data belong to which zone?
- How are zones separated from each other?
- How do zones refer to the underlying storage?
- What kinds of storage systems are used?
- How do storage systems interact within the zone model?
- How are streaming data handled in the zone model?
- What zones apply to streaming data?
- How does streaming data interact with batch data?

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# **Zone Implementation Patterns**







	Intermediate Results Available	Complexity	Latency
Streaming Zone	0	Ð	Ð
Zone-Based Architecture for Streaming	Ð	0	0



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#### Motivation

- Data platforms and how they should scale
  - volume of data
  - volume/complexity of data processing
  - changes in the data landscape
  - · proliferation of sources of data
  - · diversity of data use cases and users
  - speed of response to change
- Goal: support continuous change and scalability



# Principle I: Domain Orientation

- Decompose and decentralize the components of the data ecosystem
- Domains own operational IT systems, analytical IT systems and their data
- Domains provide endpoints for
  - analytical data
  - operational capabilities
- Dependencies between domains
- Decomposition approaches
  - organizational units, business functions, source oriented, consumer oriented



Dehghani (2020): Data Mesh Principles and Logical Architecture, https://martinfowler.com/articles/data-mesh-principles.html

#### Principle II: Data Products

- Components of a data product: data and metadata, code, infrastructure
- Data and metadata
  - data served as graph, batch file, relational table, ... (depending on domain)
  - metadata e.g. on sytax and semantics, data quality, access contol, ...
- Code comprises
  - code for data pipelines
  - code for data and metadata access
  - code for enforcing properties
- Infrastructure to build, deploy and run the code



 Additional role in domains: data product developer

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# Principle III: Self-Service Platform

- Should support domain data product developers in creating, maintaining and running data products
- Domains are less relying on central IT
  → supports domain autonomy
- Groups of related capabilities based on profile of users (planes)
  - data infrastructure
  - data product developer experience
  - data mesh supervision



# Principle IV: Federated Governance

- Independent data products need to interoperate
- Governance model needs to support
  - · decentralization and domain self-sovereignty
  - interoperability through global standardization
  - dynamic topology
  - automated execution of decisions
- Decision model has to consider
  - autonomy of domain data product owners and data platform product owners
  - set of global rules applied to all data products and their interfaces
    - $\rightarrow$  ensure a healthy and interoperable

ecosystem



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