Unlocking the promise of Generative AI for businesses

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Recap

Objectives

- Improve customer/employee experience by delivering better search relevance
- Minimize time to implement and fine tune relevance

Challenges

- Getting the right information to the right audience
- Supporting legacy technology takes away from innovation and strategic impact
- Slow, unreliable search performance

Introduction

Introduction to Elasticsearch and Generative AI

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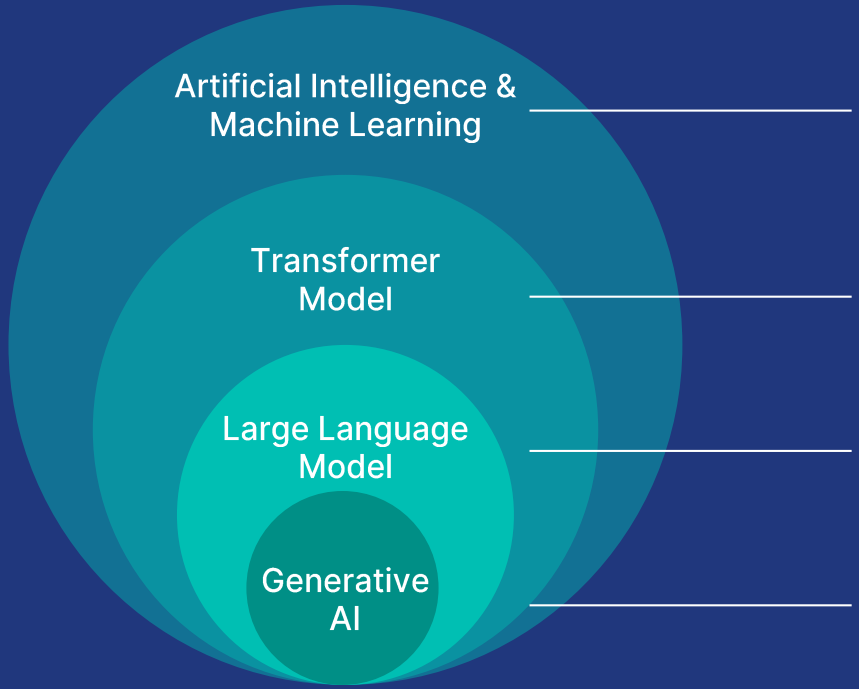
ML, Transformer, and Large Language Model basics



What is it?

The science of teaching computers to think, learn, and improve on their own.

A Neural Network architecture that considers word relationships and context.

An AI model that uses massive data to generate human-like text and perform language tasks exceptionally well

A large language model trained to compose content and responses to human prompts.

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Like any new revolutionary tech, Generative AI comes with a new set of strengths and limitations

Excels at human-like, iterative content creation

Natural language processing of large data sets used for creating human-like conversations, writing content, and providing code examples

Limitations of Large Language Models

- Base models are trained on public data
- Data is frozen in time after training and fine-tuning
- Non-deterministic results and Hallucinations
- Cost & Privacy concerns for large scale use

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A large language model is not a database

Searching YOUR Data

How to search your data:
BM25, Embeddings, Vector Similarity, Retrieval Strategies

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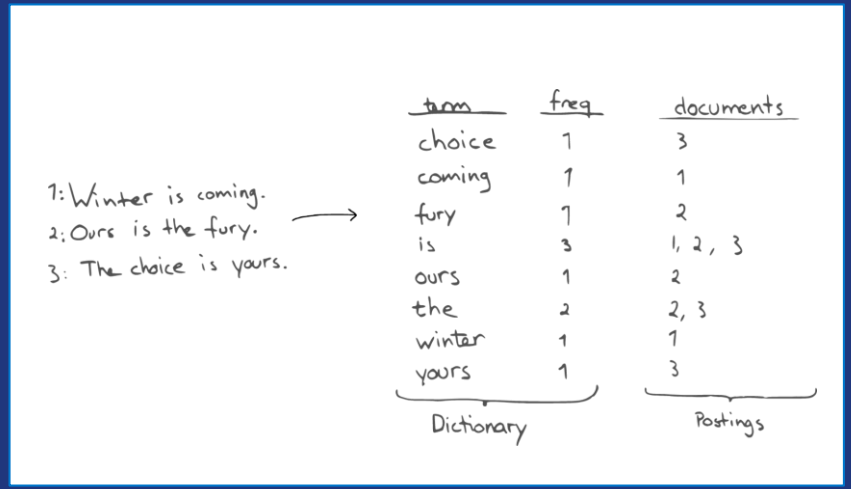
Elasticsearch is a search engine - Inverted indices

Indexing text fields in documents

- **Inverted indices:** tokens, count of frequency, and documents containing them
- **Freq and positions:** frequency and token offset for scoring, phrase queries and more
- **BM25:** A sparse, unsupervised model for lexical search, improvement over TF/IDF
- **Speed and Space Optimizations:** Block Max WAND, query short circuiting, match_only_text, and more!



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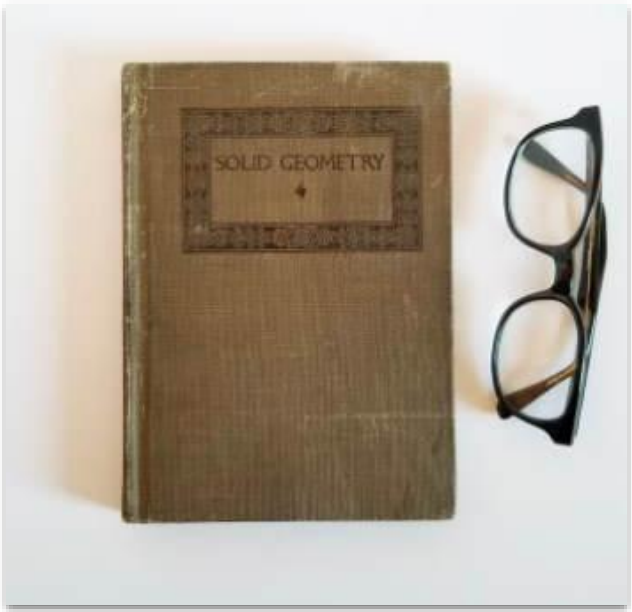
How do we get the most relevant context to answer the user's question, in a natural way?

Semantic Search

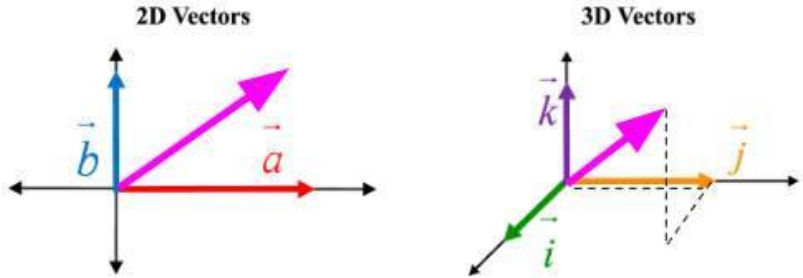
Representing and finding the meaning of information

Vector Embeddings & Vector Databases

Remember Vectors?



What math textbooks looked like before common core (US centric joke, sorry)

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You likely learned the math for 3D vectors.

Some may have learned the math for n-dimensional vectors later in school.

NLP uses vectors with hundreds to thousands of dimensions (not pictured)

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Meaning can be encoded as a high dimensional Vector

Text Embedding Model

Chunking -> Transformer or LLM -> vector

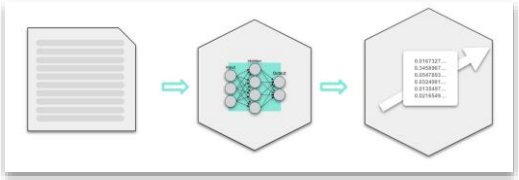
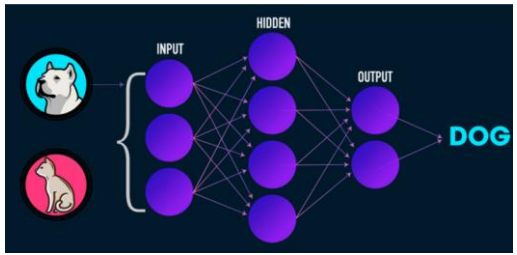


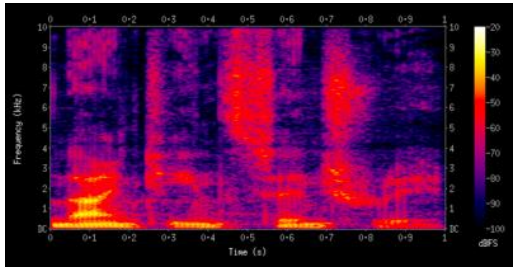
Image Classification (i.e. Google image search)

Convolutional Neural Network -> Trained model -> vector



Soundwave Classification

FFT + time -> Spectrograph -> Image (see above)



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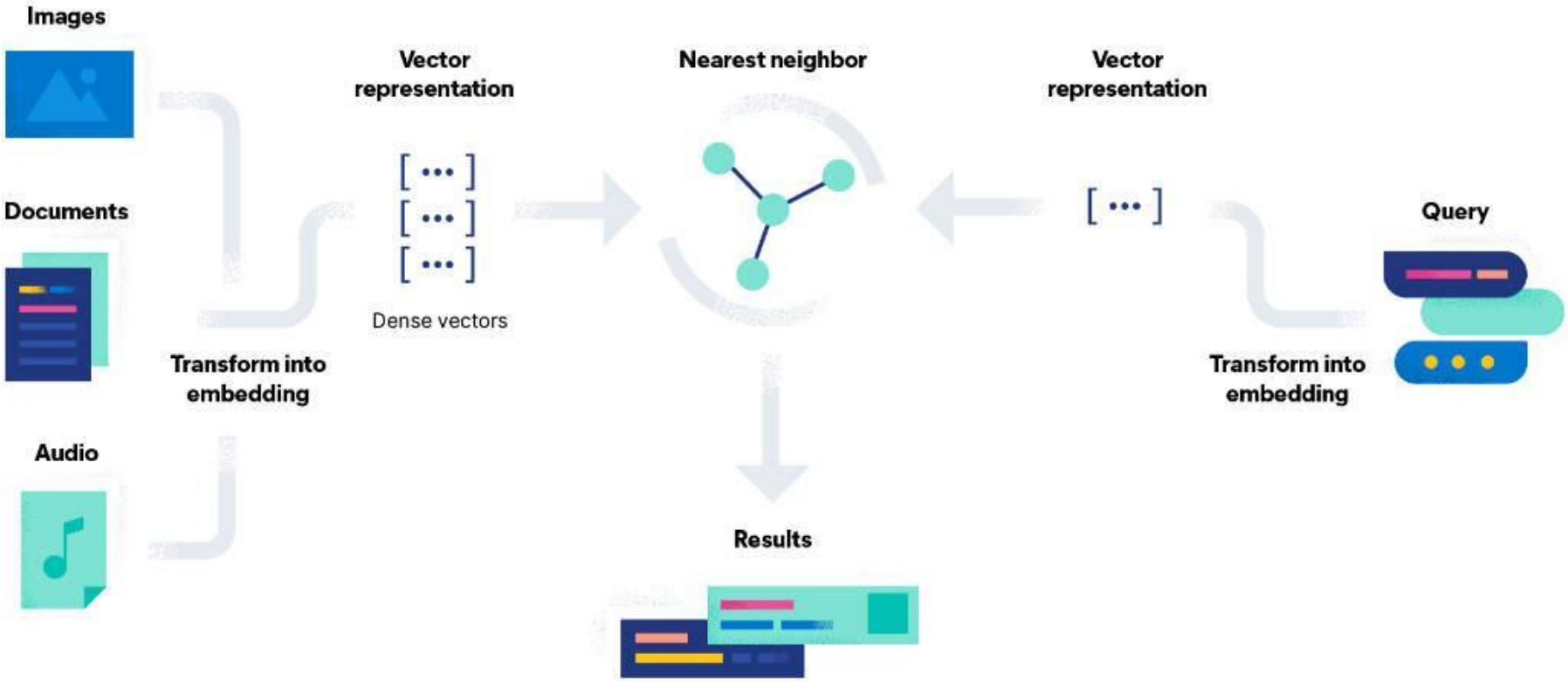
Vector search conceptual architecture

Use vector nearest neighbor to generate a search ranking



Data Ingestion and Embedding Generation

Source data

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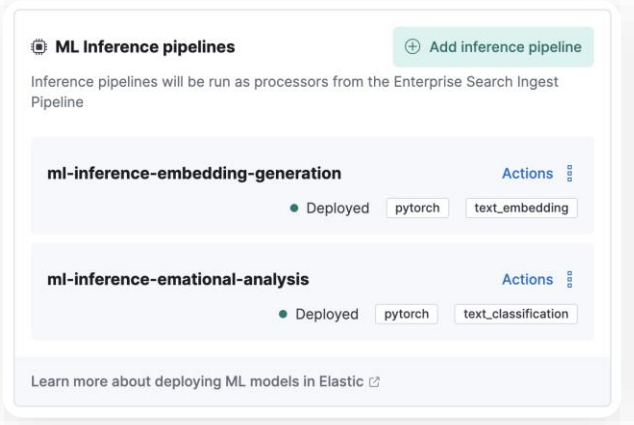

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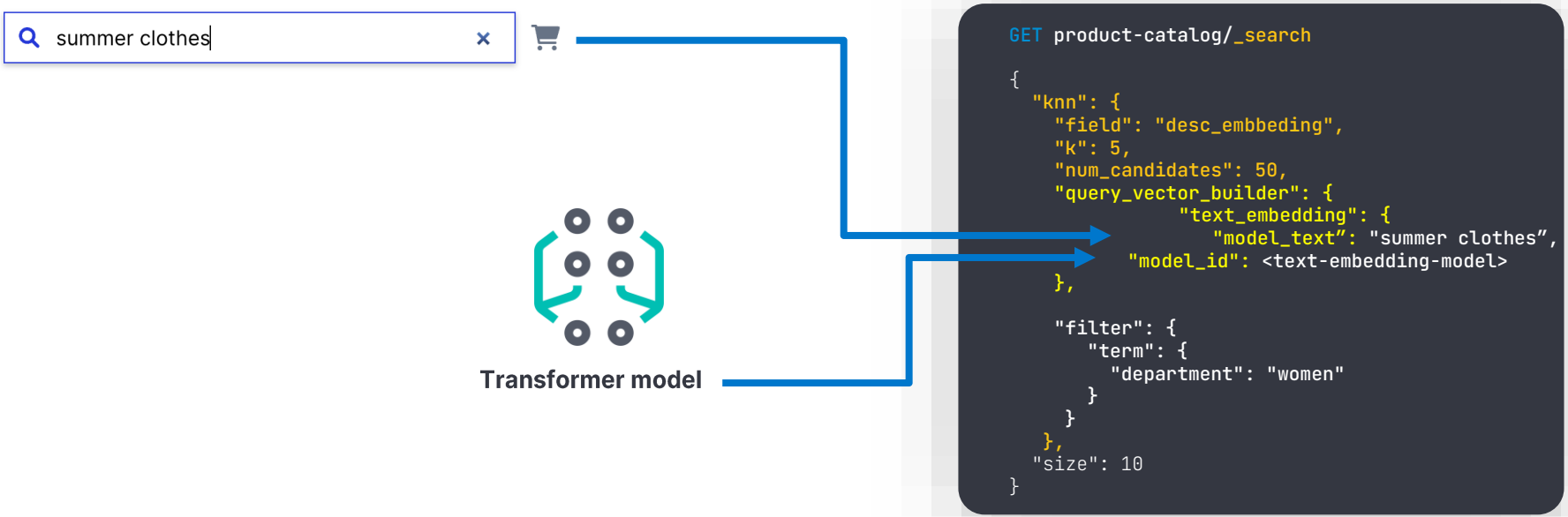
Vector Query



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RAG Applications

RAG = Retrieval Augmented Generation

Developing AI Applications with Context

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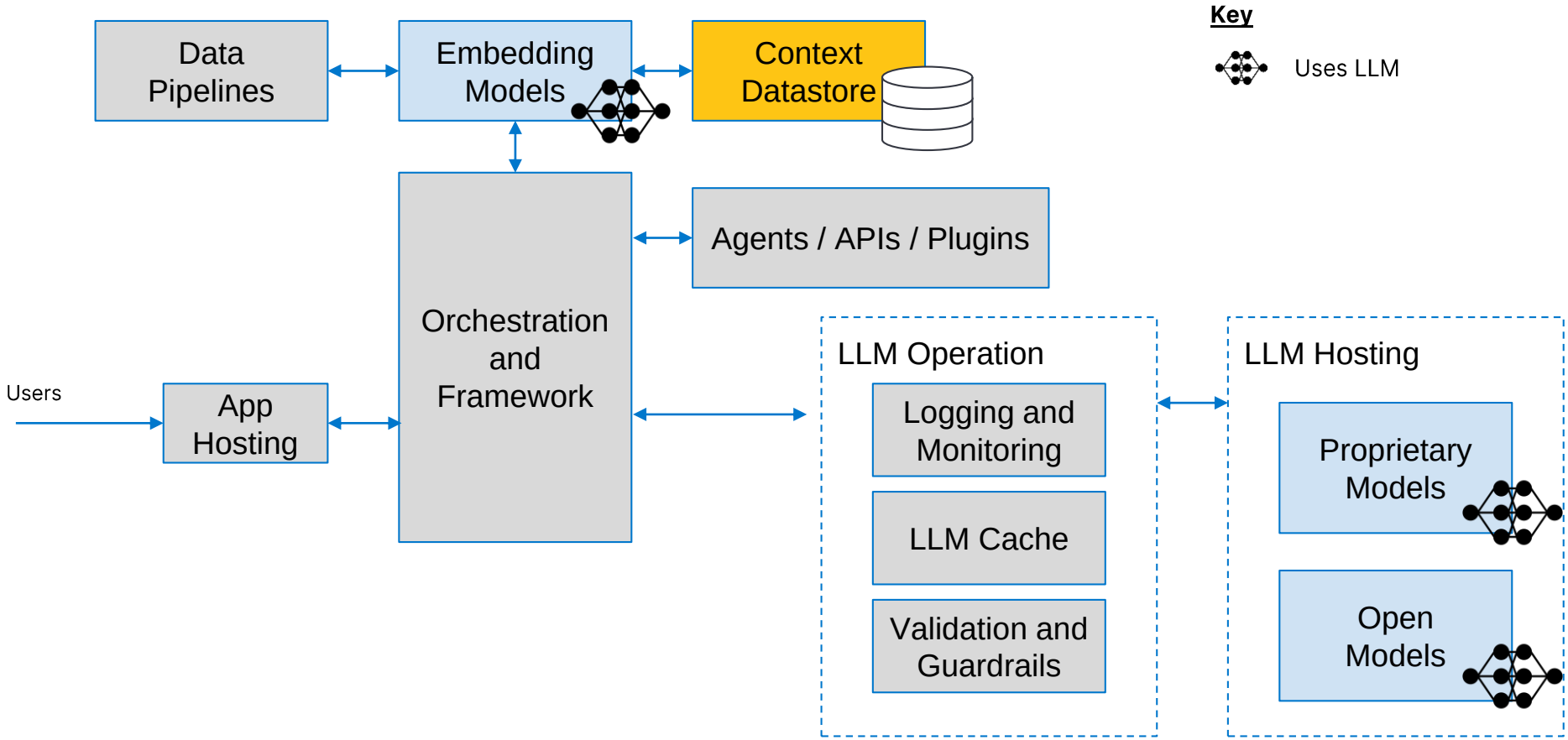
Emerging Generative AI App Architecture



The 3 ways LLMs get ‘smart’

Pre-training

Foundational or *Base* model training costs tens to hundreds of millions of $USD. LLMs learn **language** and **knowledge** from massive public data sets.

Fine-tuning

- **Task specific training** (classification, etc)
- Improve **quality of responses** in a domain
- Add **knowledge** from a specific data source
- **Alignment** with safeguards and ethical limits

In-Context Learning (Prompt)

- **Prompt engineering** techniques
  - **In-context learning and instruction**
- **Retrieval Augmented Generation**
  - Include **knowledge** in prompt

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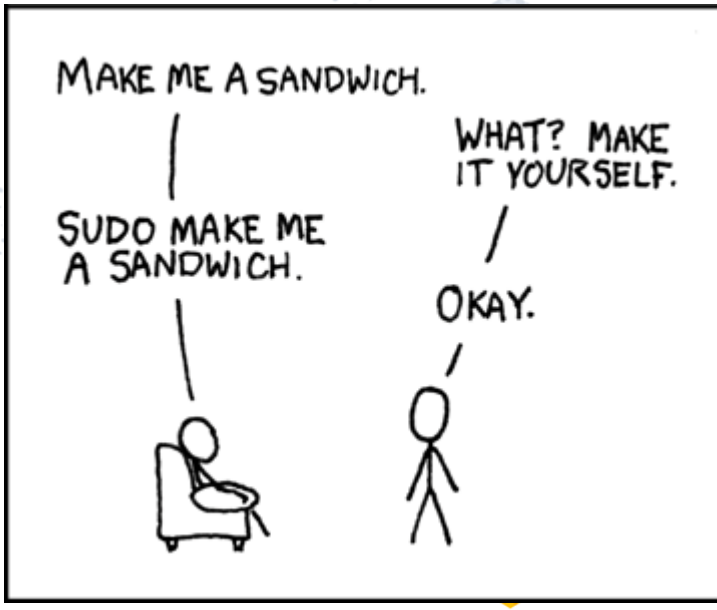
'Prompt Engineering'

Prompt Engineering is the art and science of designing effective prompts to guide the responses of Large Language Models.

a.k.a. Coding in ‘Natural Language”

Prompts can ask the LLM to:

- Complete a task like summarization
- Follow provided context
- Make step by step plans or instructions
- Format output in specific useful ways



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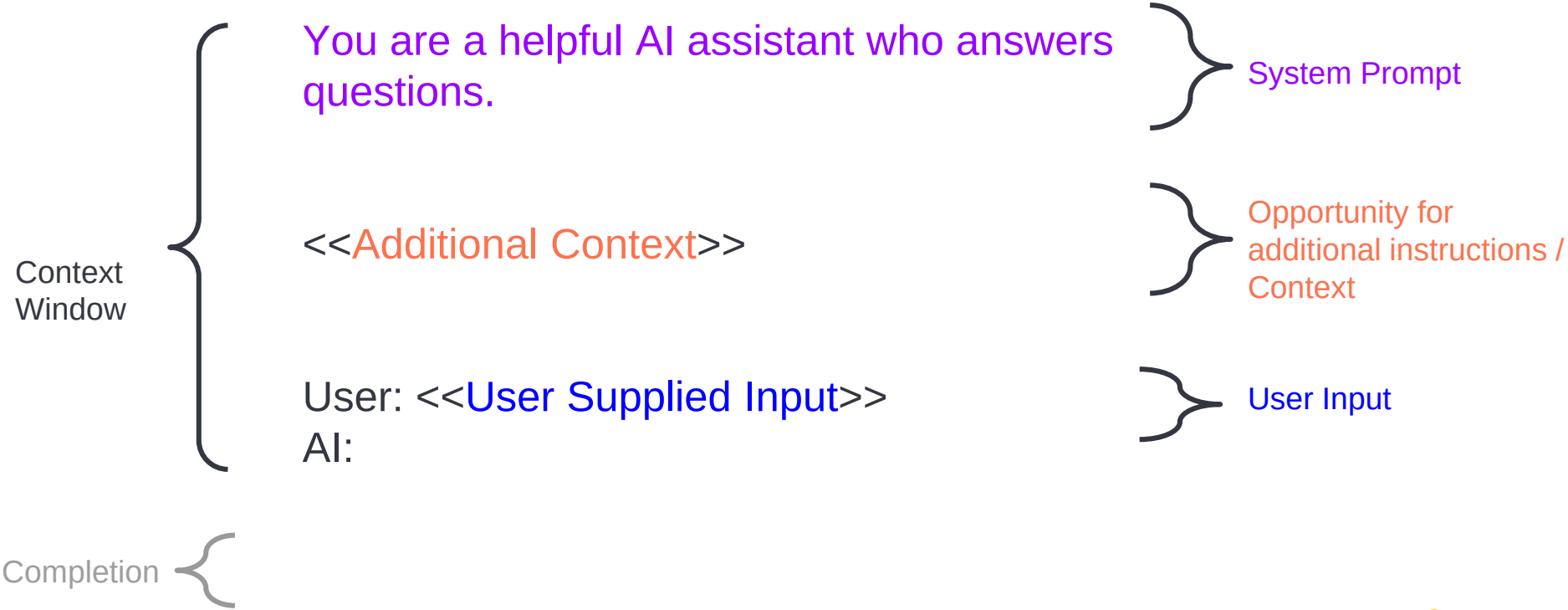
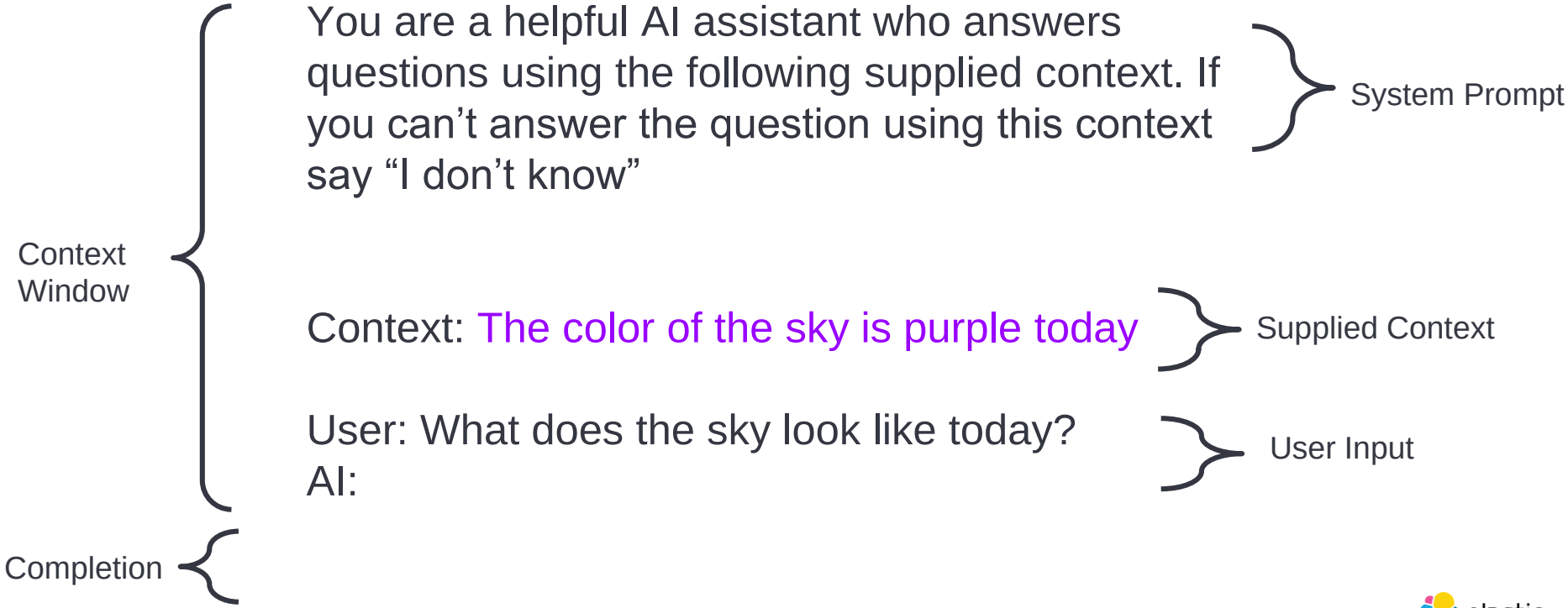
Anatomy of a Prompt



Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG)



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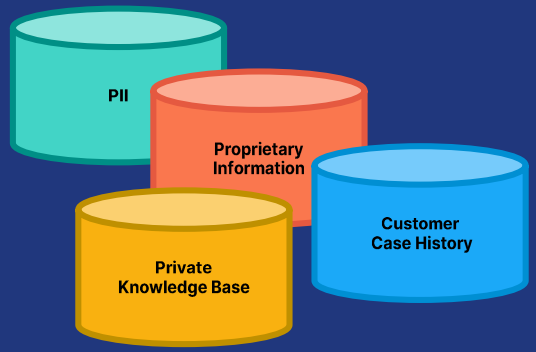
RAG uses semantic search techniques like those in Elasticsearch to act as the bridge between private data and Generative AI



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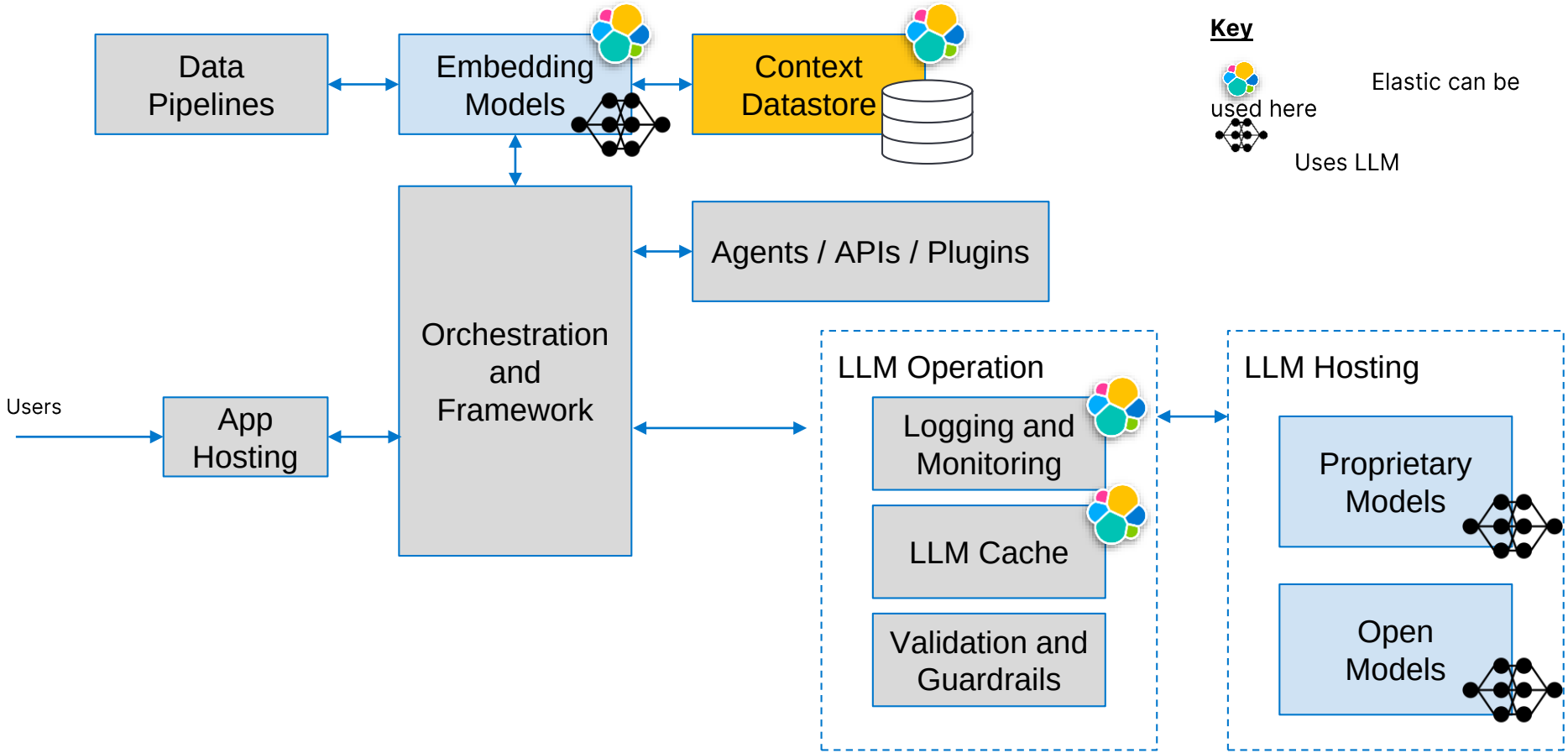
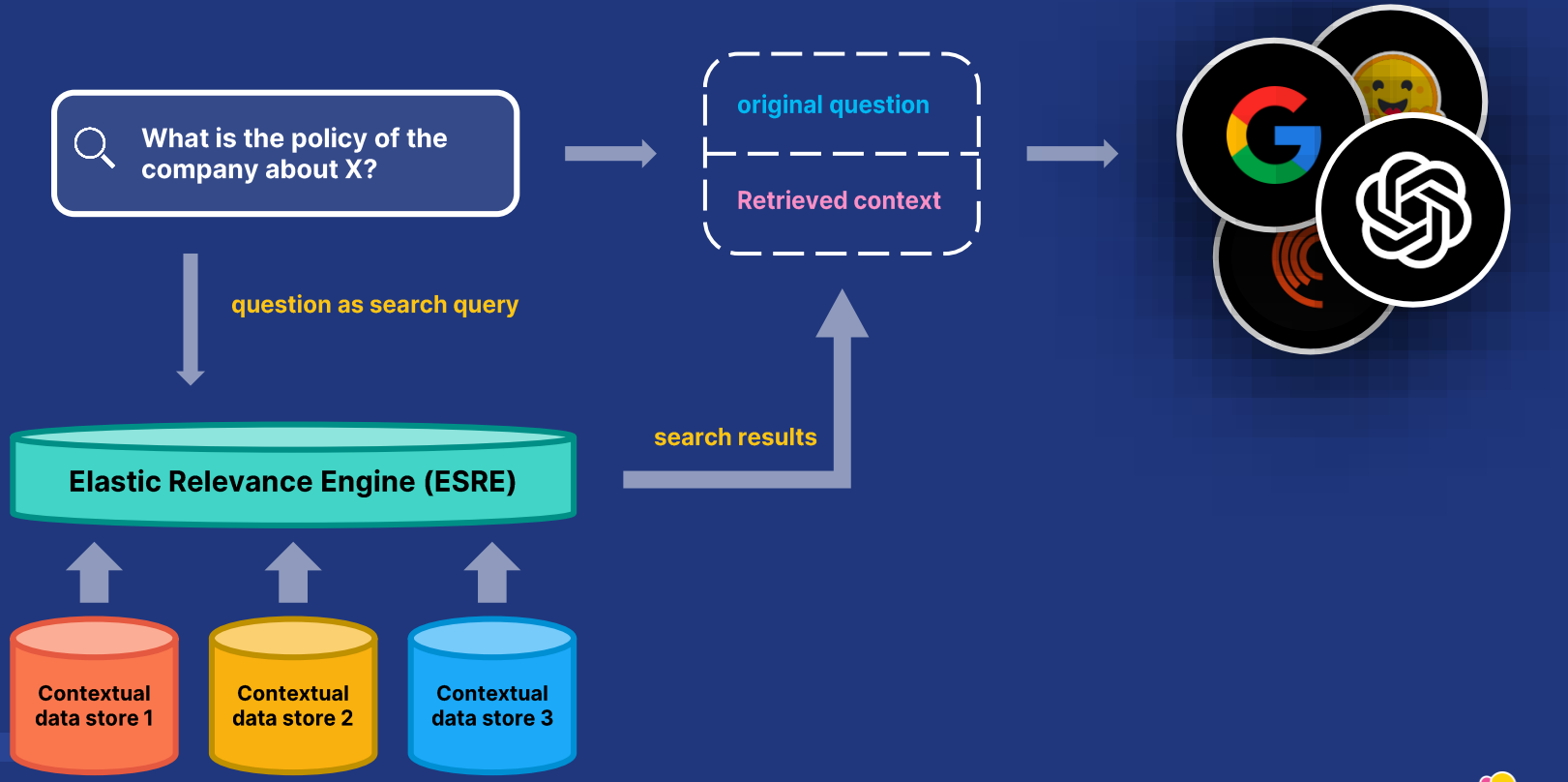


Question Answering + Context Retrieval Workflow



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Use Cases

AI Assistant for Observability

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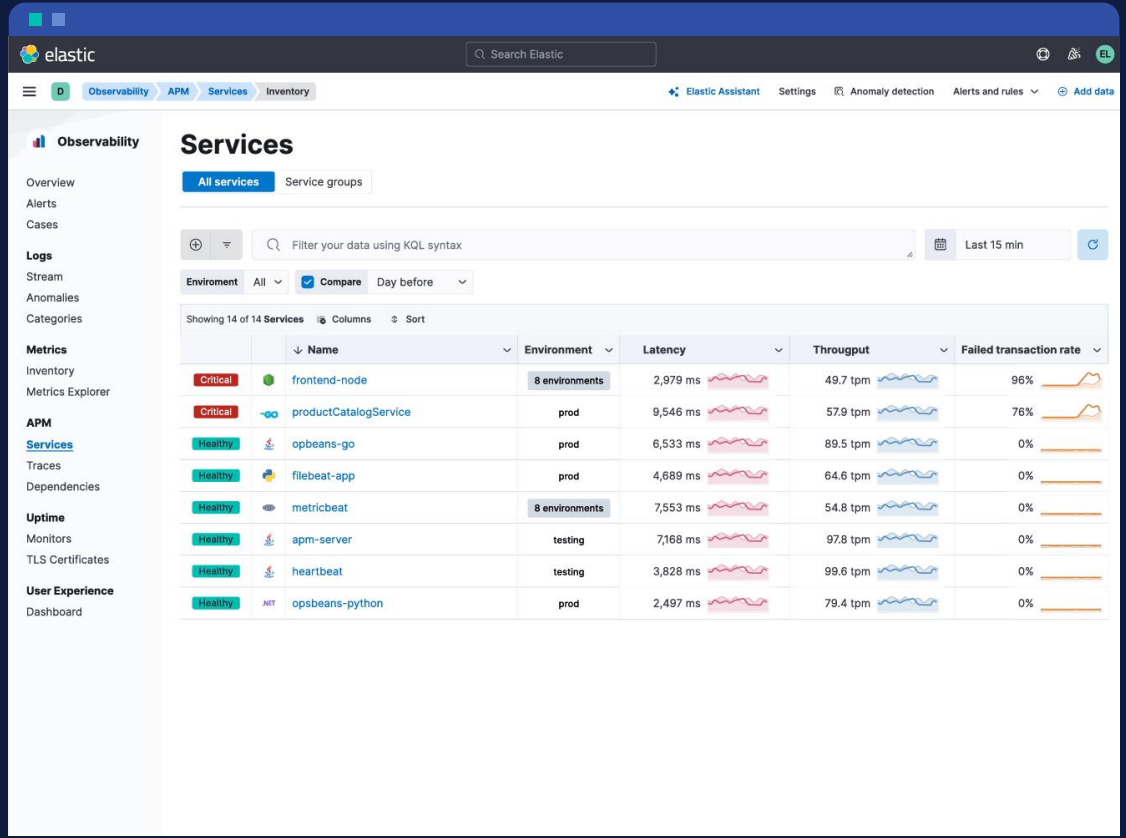
- Accelerate incident management and root cause analysis
- Interactively explore problems and execute remedies with generative AI
- Context-aware, business-specific output you can trust
- Based on your proprietary data and runbooks



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AI Assistant for Security

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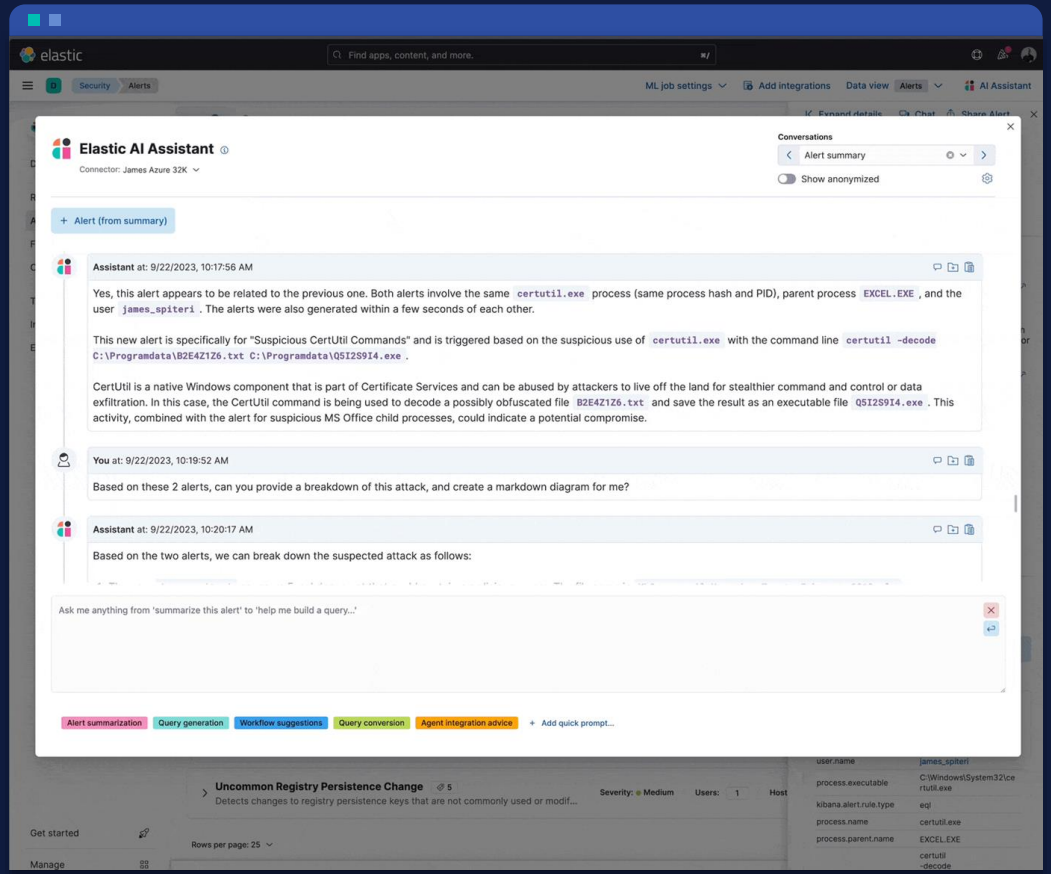
- Accelerate incident management and threat detection
- Get expert assistance during any investigation
- Gain industry insight into attack patterns
- Incorporate into existing incident response workflows



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Generative AI is evolving within enterprises: HR

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401K policy

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What are key aspects of the company's 401k policy for an employee in my location and how do I enroll?

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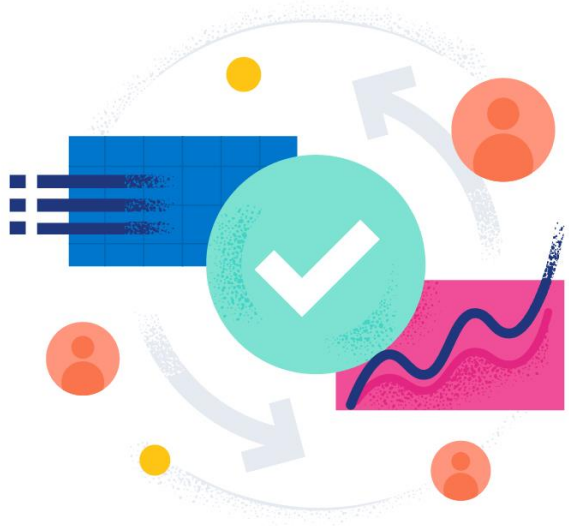
Generative AI is evolving within enterprises: Legal



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Work contract for California

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What are the main labor and employment law requirements at our California office?

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Generative AI is evolving within enterprises: Customer Success

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Customer shopping locations

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Are my customers in Dallas buying products at locations most convenient for them, and with the deepest discounts?

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