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Sviluppo di soluzioni Agentic AI con Elastic

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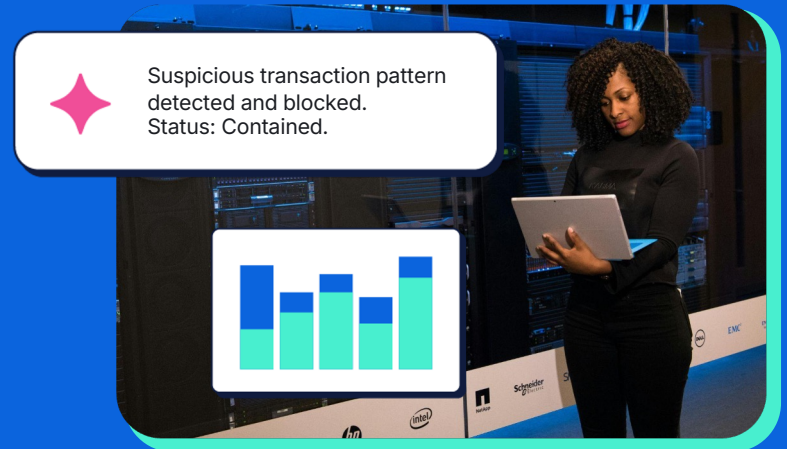


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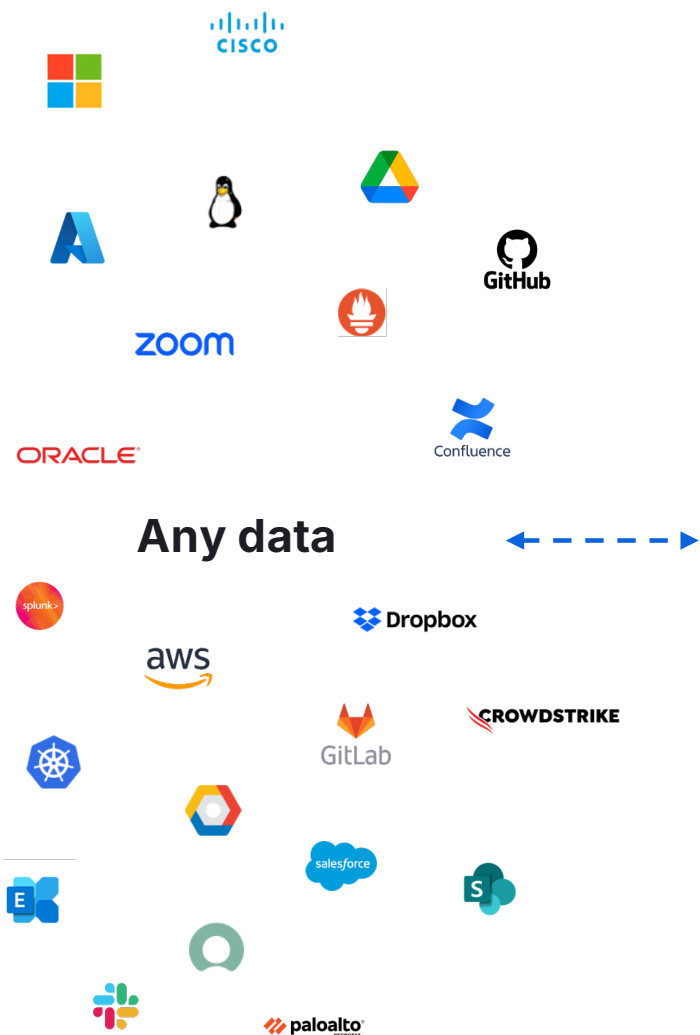
In the workplace, in our personal lives, and more ...



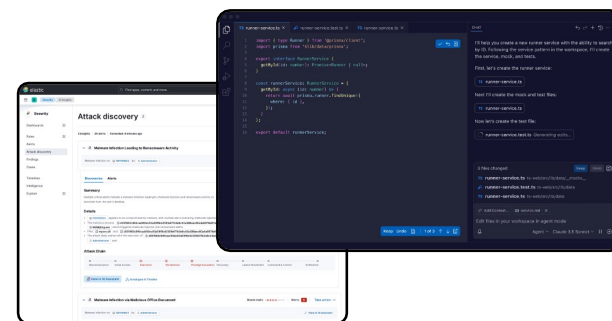
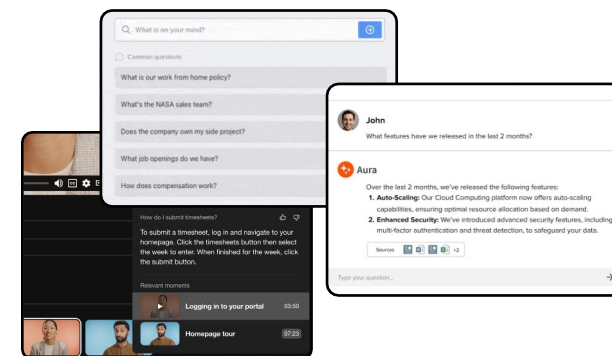
People driving the process with AI as assistants & copilots



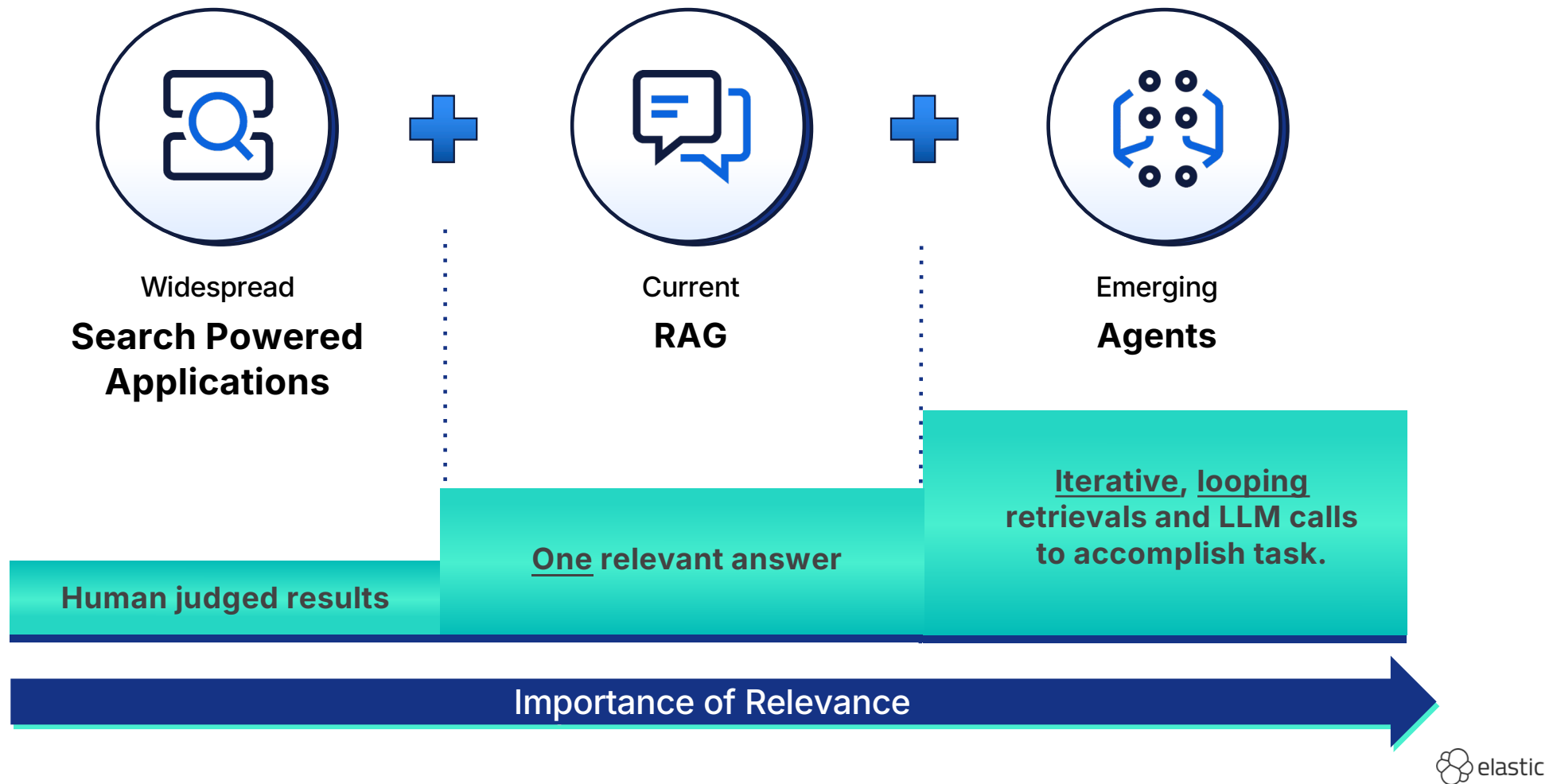
AI agents driving the process with people reviewing



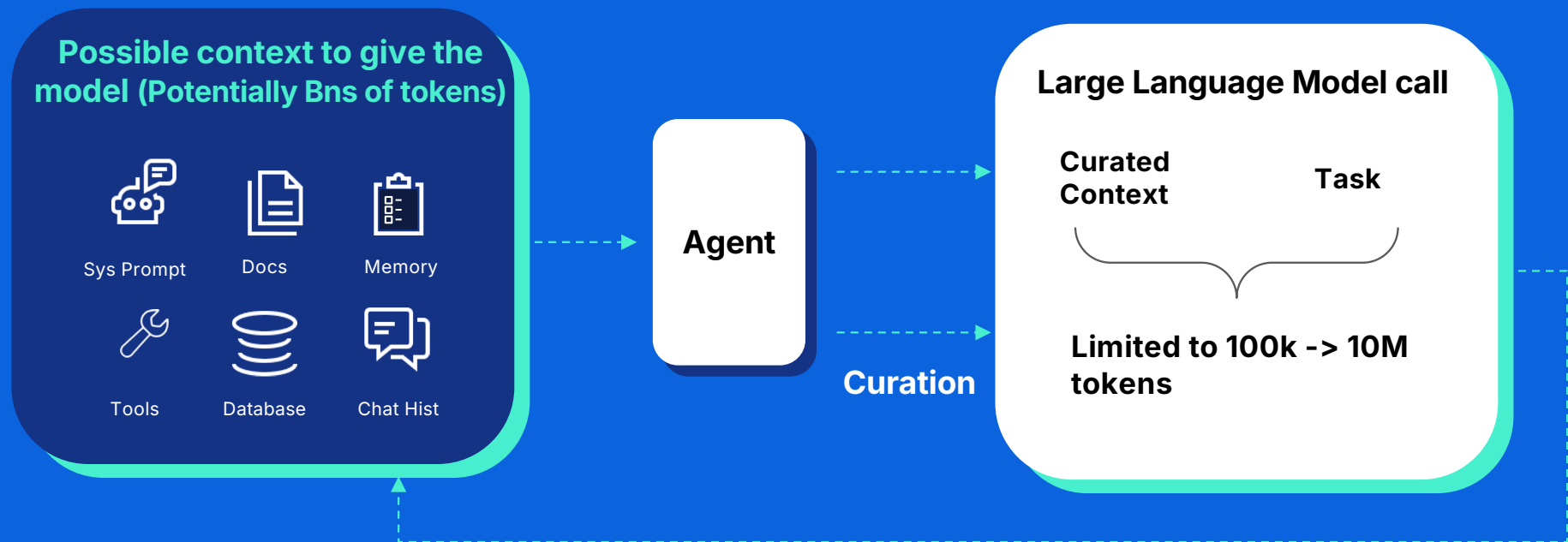
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access to **your data**
and **powerful tools**



Search relevance and context has never been **more important**



Improving Agent outcomes through Context Engineering



AI experiences depend on a limited LLM context window.

Dynamically delivering the right data for the LLM's task is called **Context Engineering**.

Agentic AI

Agentic AI

- **Agentic AI** refers to AI systems that can act autonomously to achieve goals, making decisions and taking actions without direct human intervention
- An **agent** is usually a software that makes decisions and takes actions often by calling tools or APIs in a loop, based on its current understanding of the world and its objective
- Key features of an agent:
 - **Goal-oriented**
 - **Autonomous**
 - **Interactive**
 - **Iterative**: reason → act → observe → repeat
 - **Memory** (optional)

Agent workflow example

- **Goal:** Book a flight to Paris under \$500.
 - **Plan (reason):** "Check available flights."
 - **Act:** Calls `search_flights(to="Paris", max_price=500)`
 - **Observe:** Gets a list of flights.
 - **Reason:** "There's a flight on Tuesday under budget. Book it!"
 - **Act:** Calls `book_flight(flight_id)`
 - **Finish:** Reports the result back to the user.
- The agent monitors its own process, deciding what to do next based on each result

Limitations

- **Execution time:** not really fast since it requires many steps
- **Expensive:** agents typically use about 4x more tokens than chat interactions, multi-agent use about 15x more tokens than chat
- **Complexity:** multi-agent are good with parallel tasks but not so good to manage many dependencies between agents*
- **Unpredictability:** agent interactions can lead to unexpected outcomes. Needs of Guardrail systems.
- **Evaluation:** it's difficult to measure the collective success or alignment of multiple agents

* [How we built our multi-agent research system](#), Anthropic

Tool calling

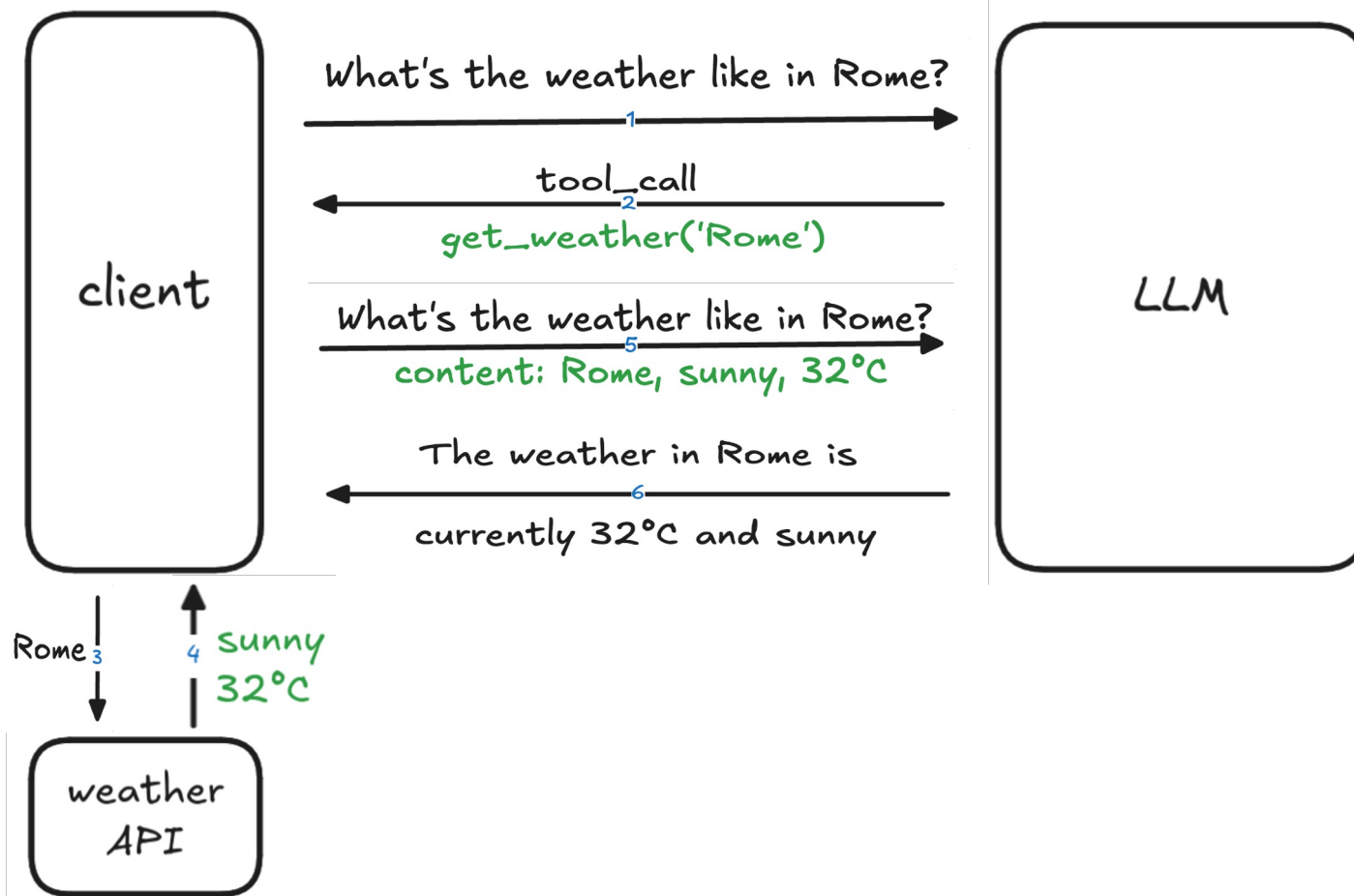
History of tool calling

- **Tool calling** (or function calling) is an emerging property in LLM
- Relevant papers that investigated the topic:
 - Nakano et al., [WebGPT: Browser-assisted question-answering with human feedback](#), OpenAI, 2022
 - Timo Schick et al., [Toolformer: Language Models Can Teach Themselves to Use Tools](#), Meta AI Research, 2023
 - [Function calling and other API updates, OpenAI](#), June 13, 2023

Tool calling (or Function calling)

- Tool calling is the ability of LLM to recognize the need to execute external functions (tools) as part of its reasoning process
- The LLM recognizes when it needs of additional information or actions and request the usage of tools (preparing the generation a function call in JSON function)
- The client is responsible for executing the function call (not the LLM) and this step is usually monitored by a human

A diagram of Tool calling



Tool calling in OpenAI

POST <https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions>

```
{
  "model": "gpt-4.1",
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    {
      "role": "user",
      "content": "What is the weather like in Rome today?"
    }
  ],
  "tools": [
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        "description": "Get current temperature for a given location.",
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            }
          },
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            "location"
          ]
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        "additionalProperties": false
      }
    }
  ],
  "strict": true
}
```



Response

```
[{
  "id": "call_12345xyz",
  "type": "function",
  "function": {
    "name": "get_weather",
    "arguments": "{\"location\":\"Rome, Italy\"}"
  }
}]
```

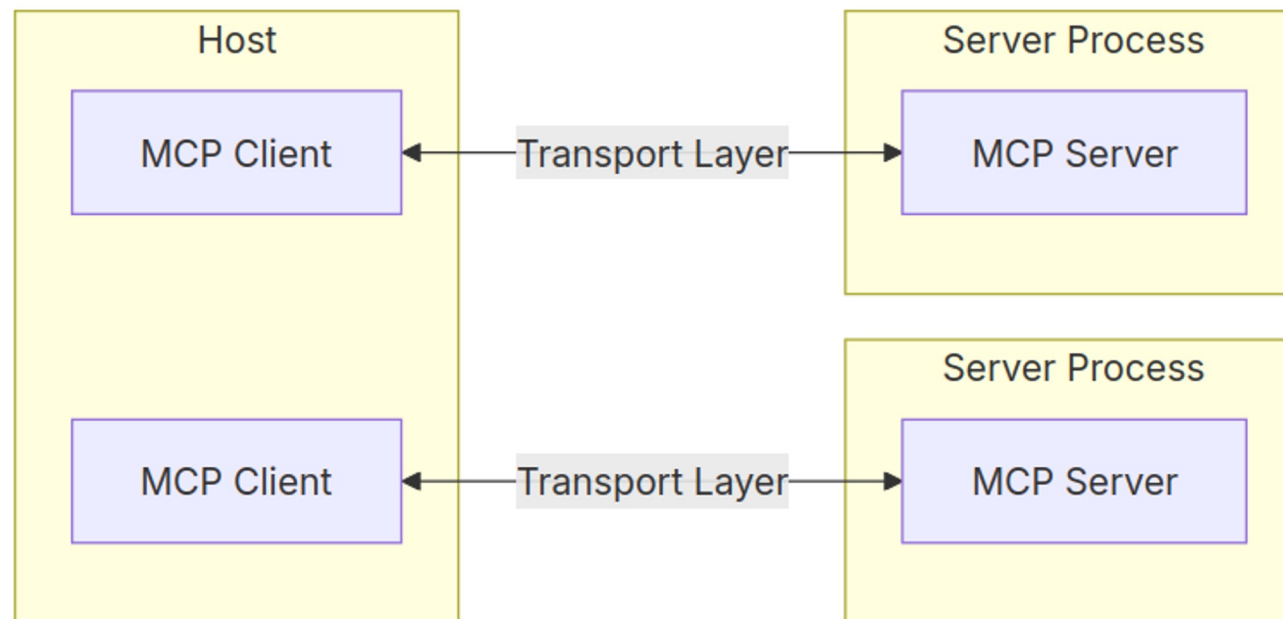
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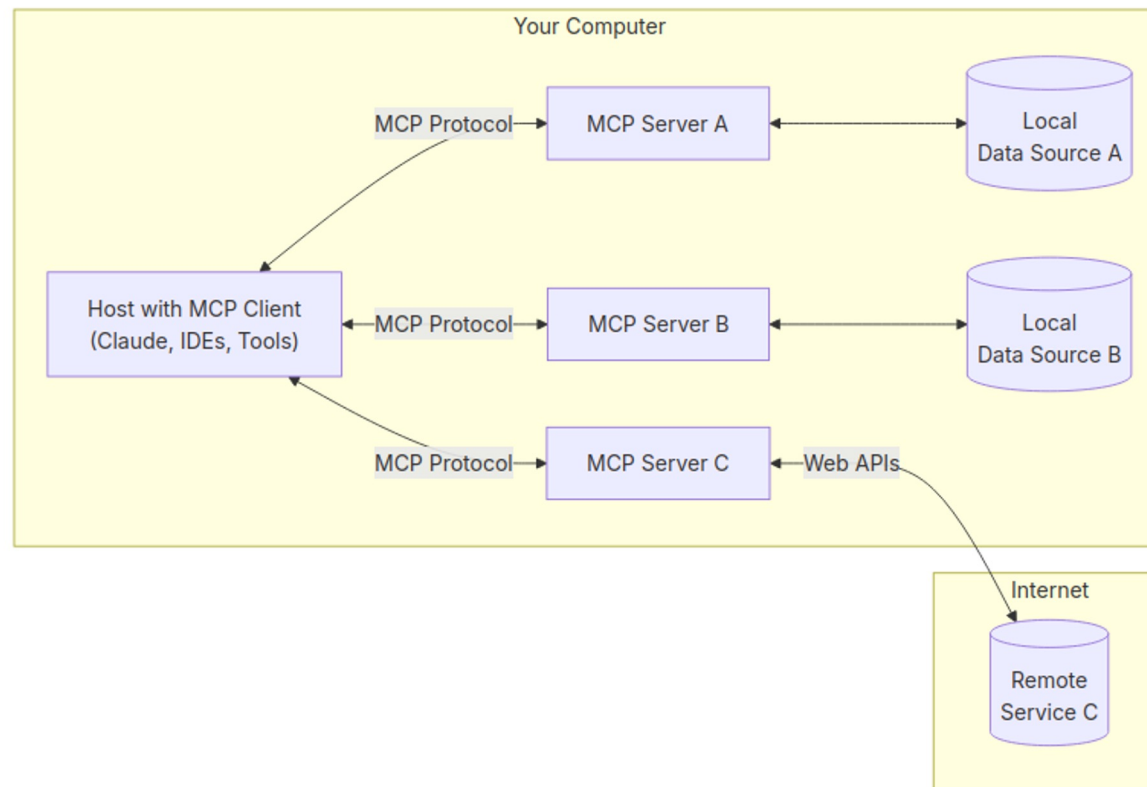
- Model Context Protocol (MCP) is an open protocol that standardizes how applications provide context to LLMs
- MCP provides a standardized way to connect AI models to different data sources and tools
- Client/server architecture

Core architecture

- MCP follows client-server architecture
- Transport layer: Stdio, Streamable HTTP
- All transport use JSON-RPC 2.0 to exchange messages



Example: multiple MCP servers

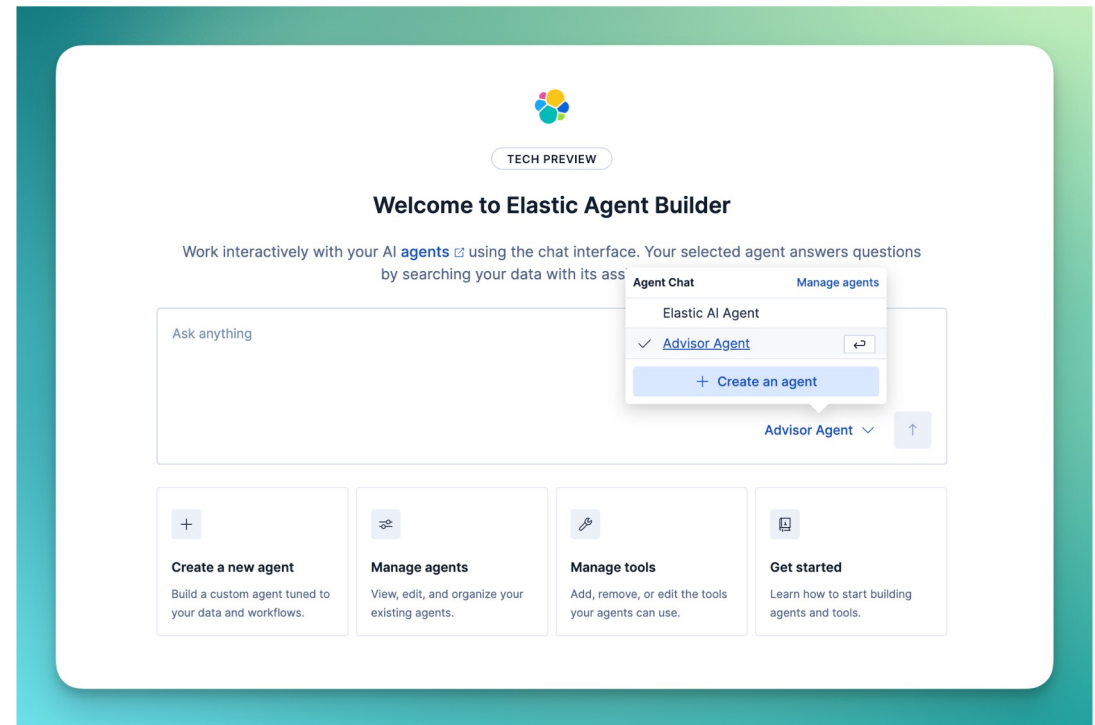


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- **Create powerful tools:** Give your agent new powers. Build custom tools with the full power of ES|QL for fine-grained control over data, relevance, and security.
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Conversational chat can help you ...



Improve technical support resolution times with Agents to aid investigations



Improve sales reporting and analysis with Agents to summarize and deliver insights



Understand and create policies (e.g. HR, IT, Legal) based on existing and usage (e.g. past searches/conversations)



Investigate purchase and product trends to make better recommendations



Create intelligent product or content recommendations based on catalog and past searches, interactions



Any other internal knowledge worker use case...



Ensure compliance across unstructured/structured data sources (e.g. KYC)

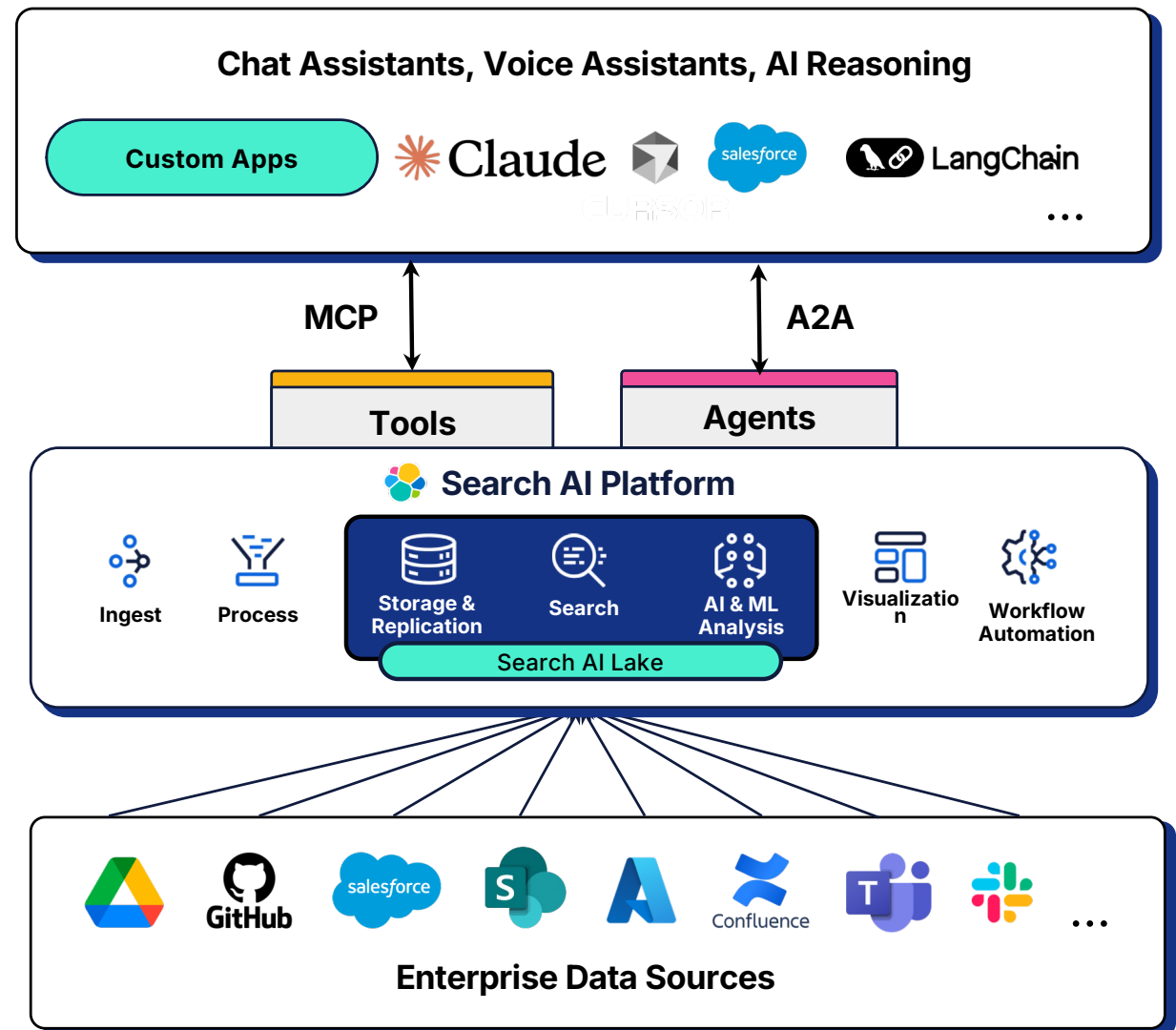
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**AI Native
Experiences**

Powered by...
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Enabled by...
The Platform

Built on...
Enterprise Data



Quickly build custom agents that utilize all your data powered by Elasticsearch context



Build on the best
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technology

*Speed, Scale,
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Data Relevance built to
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users

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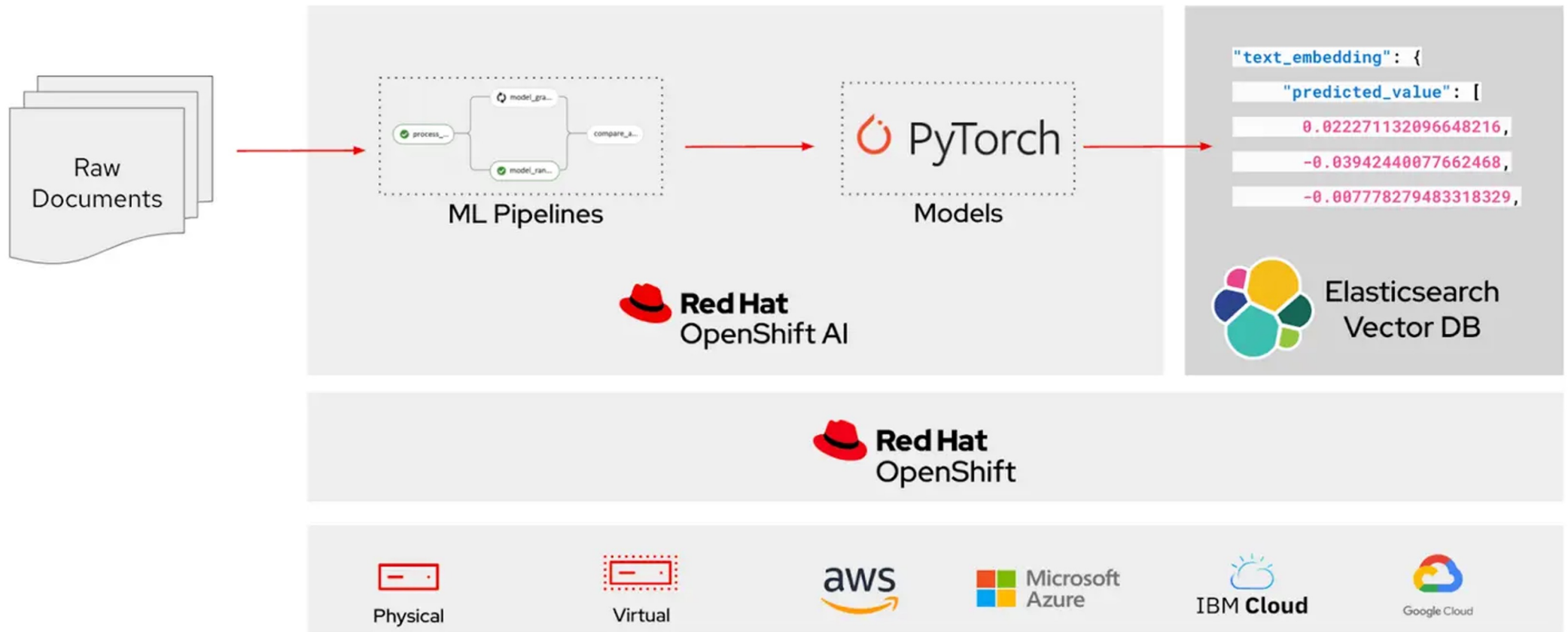
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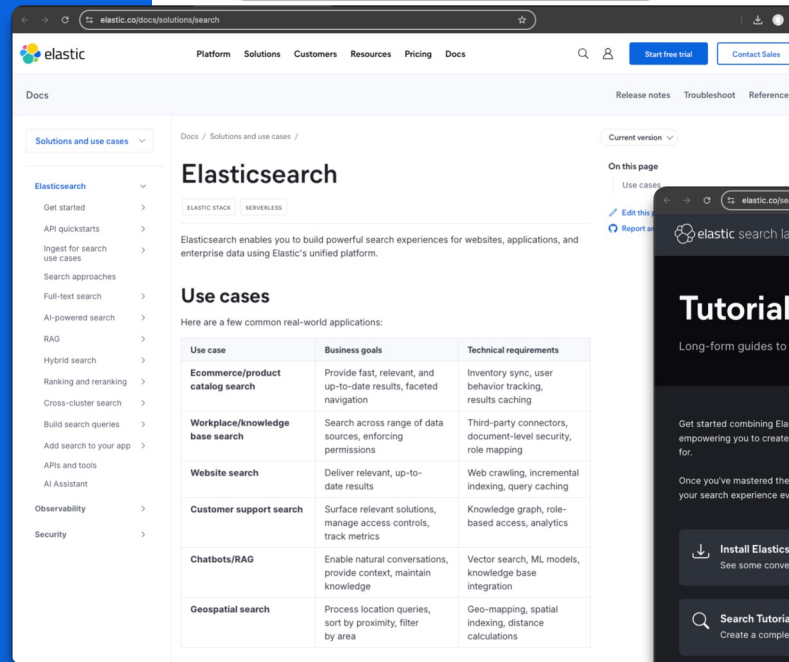
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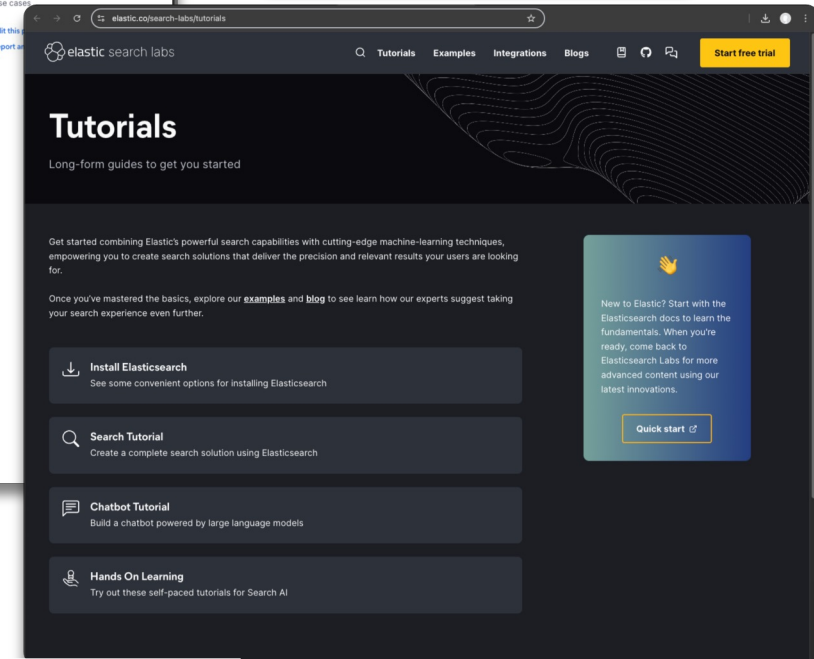


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