

Responsible AI capabilities in SAS Viya

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Why should we care about Responsible AI?

Financial Resources	Insurance, Retail	Criminal Justice	Health Care	HR
				
Who gets approved for a loan?	Who gets the best prices?	Who gets a harsher sentence?	Who gets admitted to a care management program?	Who gets hired?

Considerations for Responsible AI

Privacy

Example:

Manage identification
of individuals
or information

Bias

Example:

Manage bias
in data, models
and decisions

Explainability

Example:

Explain the
reasons behind
analytical decisions

Governance

Example:

Provide oversight for
AI & Analytical
outcomes

Approaches to Responsible AI

People



Process



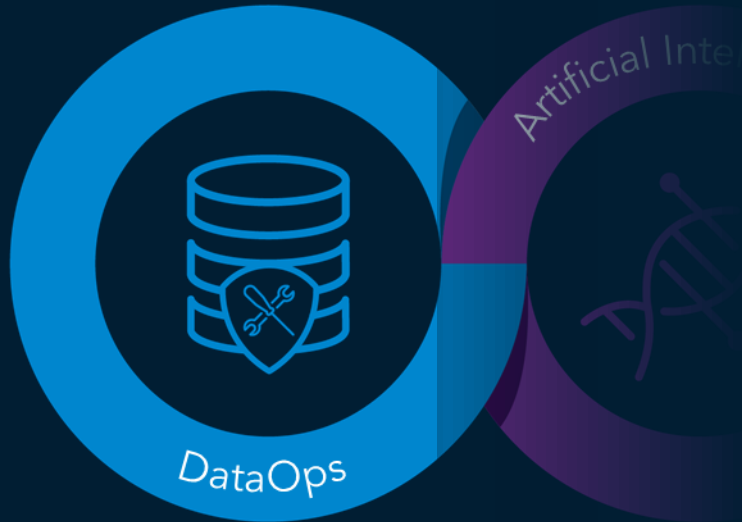
Technology



These approaches span the analytics lifecycle



Responsible AI in DataOps



Privacy & Quality

Automatically find private and sensitive variables to comply with policy

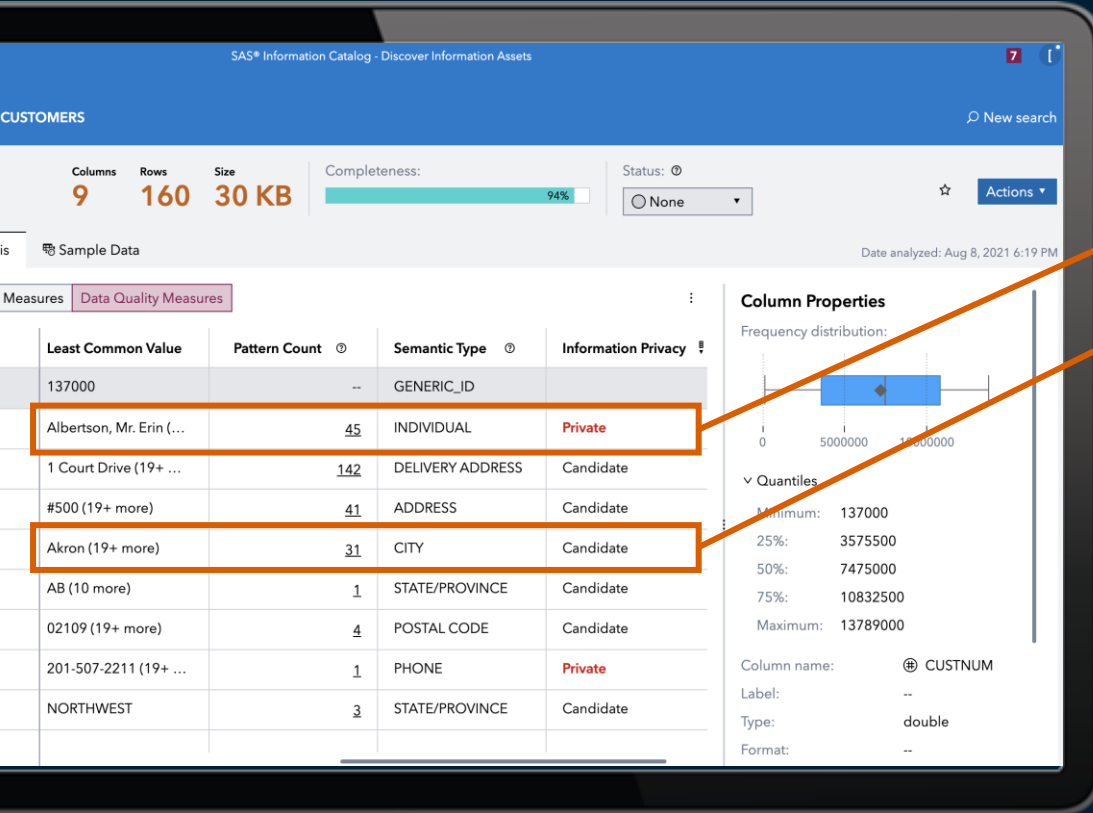
Bias Detection

Profile data to evaluate representation from a diverse population

Privacy & Quality

With SAS Viya

- Centralized data management
- Automatically identify privacy fields
- Automatically identify sensitive fields (age, gender, location, other)
- Apply a consistent privacy policy

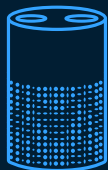


Example: Data on disease trends should not include info that identifies individual patients.

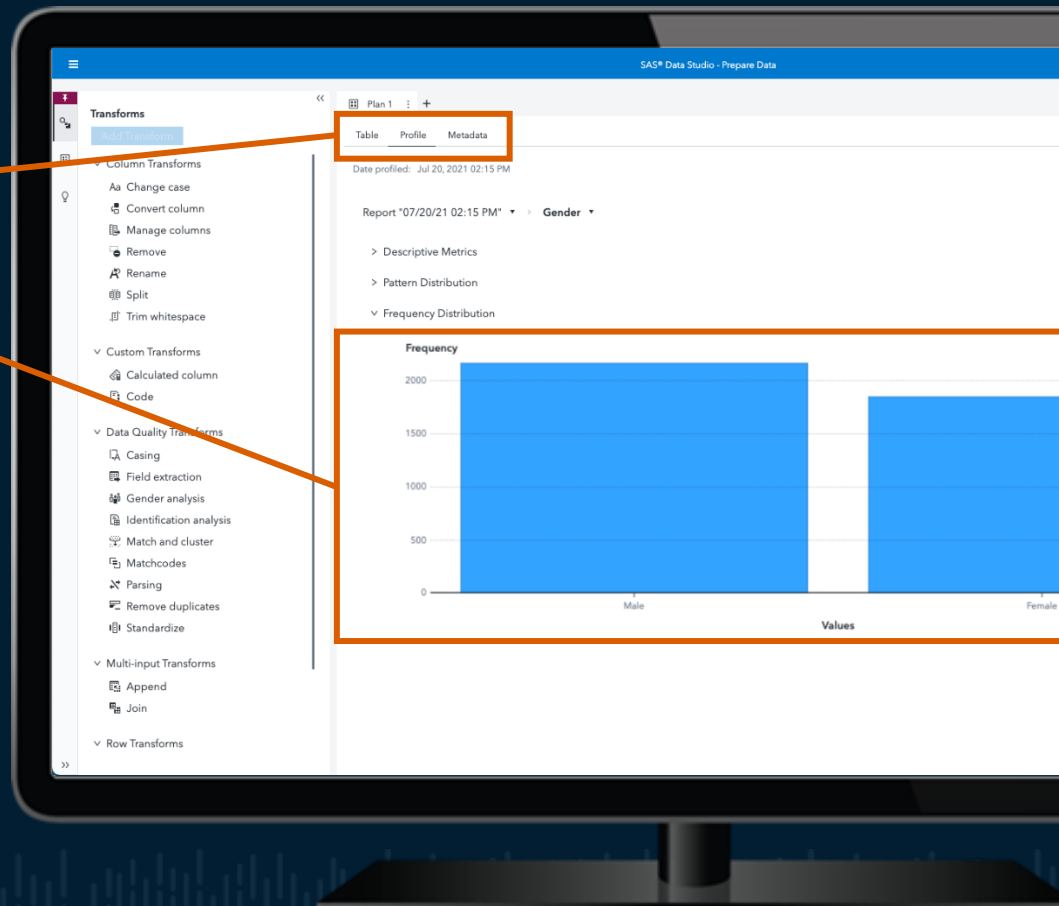
Bias Detection

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- Out-of-the-box Profile capability
- Helps evaluate representation from diverse groups, for example gender, age groups, ethnicity, etc.



Example: Chatbots that are trained to understand a diverse set of languages and accents.



Responsible AI in Artificial Intelligence



Explainability in plain language

Explain the outcomes of a model or decision to auditors or customers

Fairness Assessment

Ensure models provide accurate and positive outcomes fairly across groups for sensitive attributes

Model Lineage & Accountability

Document changes and keep the human element in the loop by creating streamlined processes

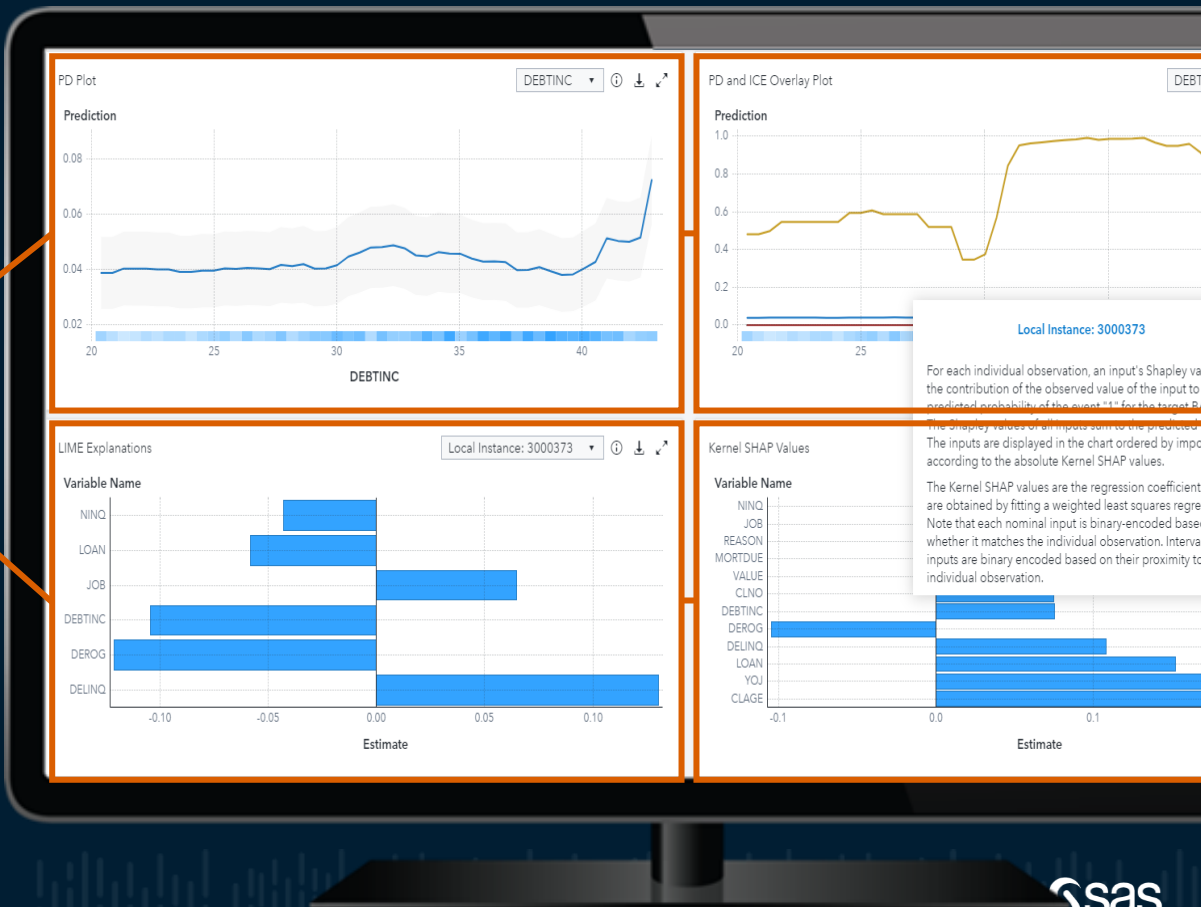
Explainability

With SAS Viya

- Every model provided with explainability
- Explain how a variable impacts model prediction
- Explain why a specific prediction was made



Example: Understanding why a customer was approved or denied a loan.



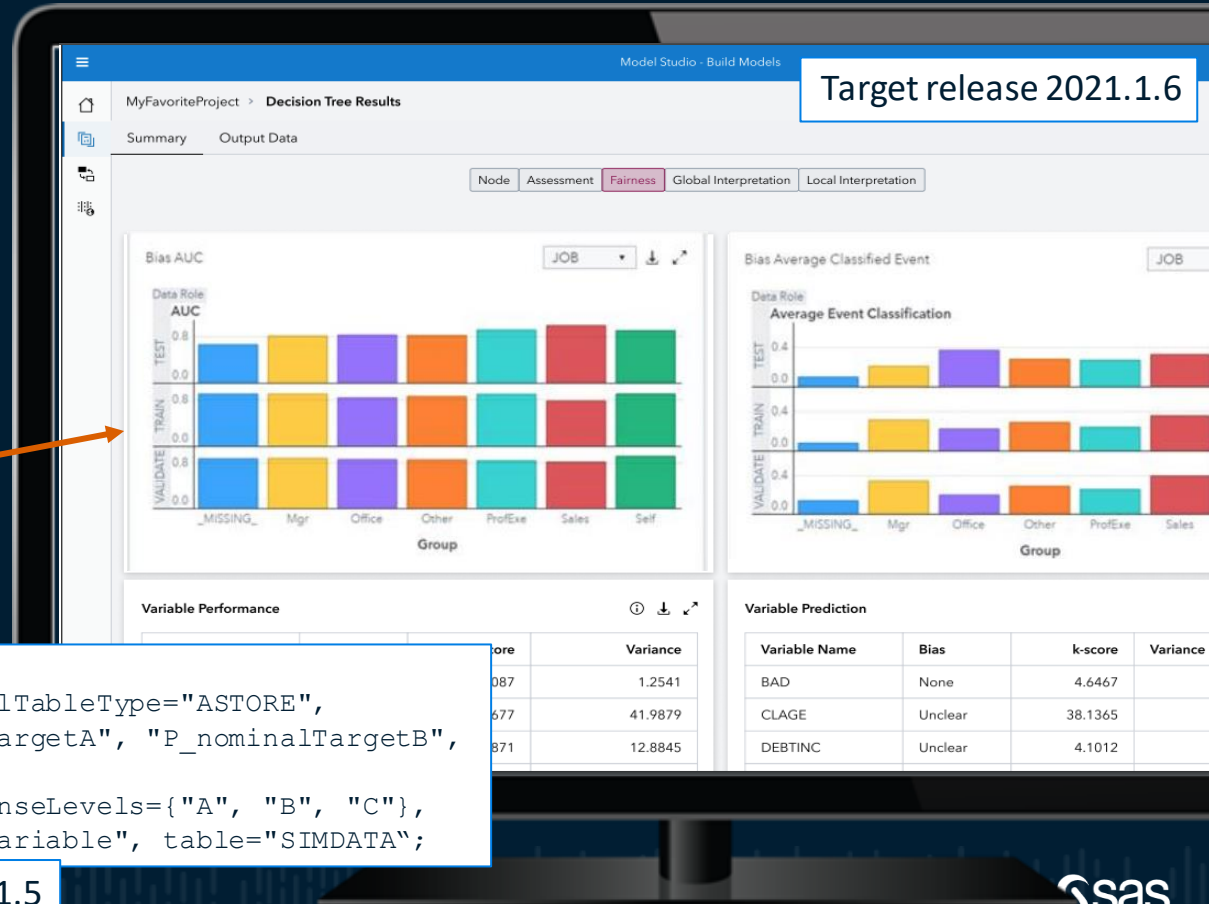
Fairness

WITH SAS Viya

- Assess whether models favor one group over another
- Programmatic action provided for assessing bias
- Dedicated “Fairness” assessment in Model Studio

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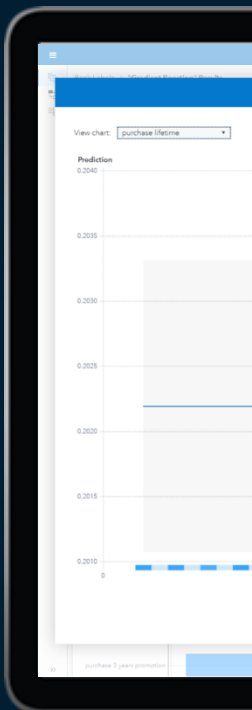
Target release 2021.1.5



Explainability & Fairness in Plain Language

With SAS Viya

- Explainability for data scientists and citizen data scientists
- Inclusive so all can understand impact of decisions



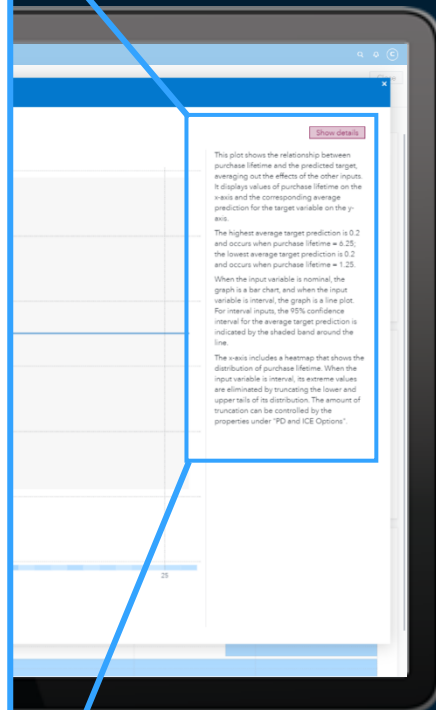
Show details

This plot shows the relationship between purchase lifetime and the predicted target, averaging out the effects of the other inputs. It displays values of purchase lifetime on the x-axis and the corresponding average prediction for the target variable on the y-axis.

The highest average target prediction is 0.2 and occurs when purchase lifetime = 6.25; the lowest average target prediction is 0.2 and occurs when purchase lifetime = 1.25.

When the input variable is nominal, the graph is a bar chart, and when the input variable is interval, the graph is a line plot. For interval inputs, the 95% confidence interval for the average target prediction is indicated by the shaded band around the line.

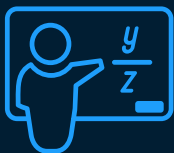
The x-axis includes a heatmap that shows the distribution of purchase lifetime. When the input variable is interval, its extreme values are eliminated by truncating the lower and upper tails of its distribution. The amount of truncation can be controlled by the properties under "PD and ICE Options".



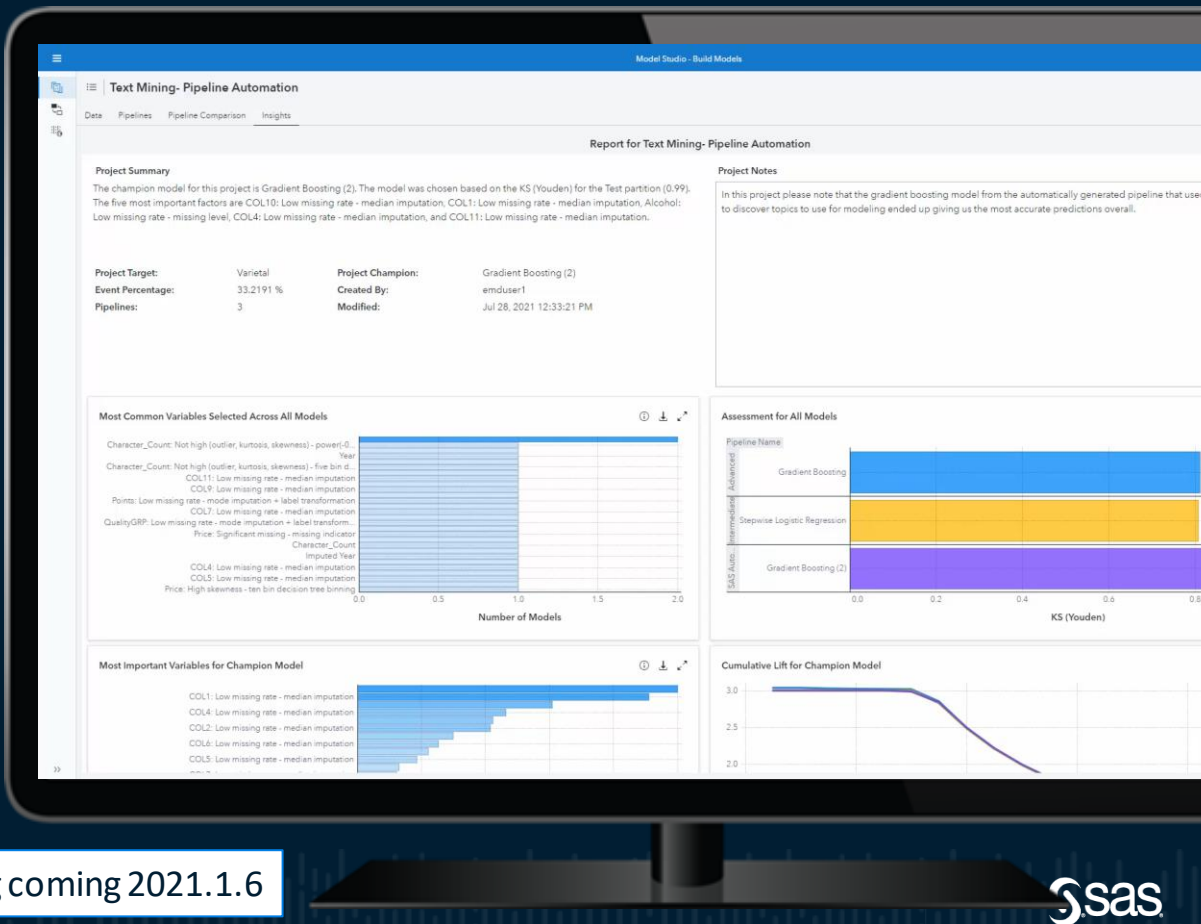
Model Development Report

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- Detailed and easily shared outside of data science team



Example: Explain how a model was developed and what its relevant characteristics are



Node-level reporting coming 2021.1.6

Demonstration

Model Studio

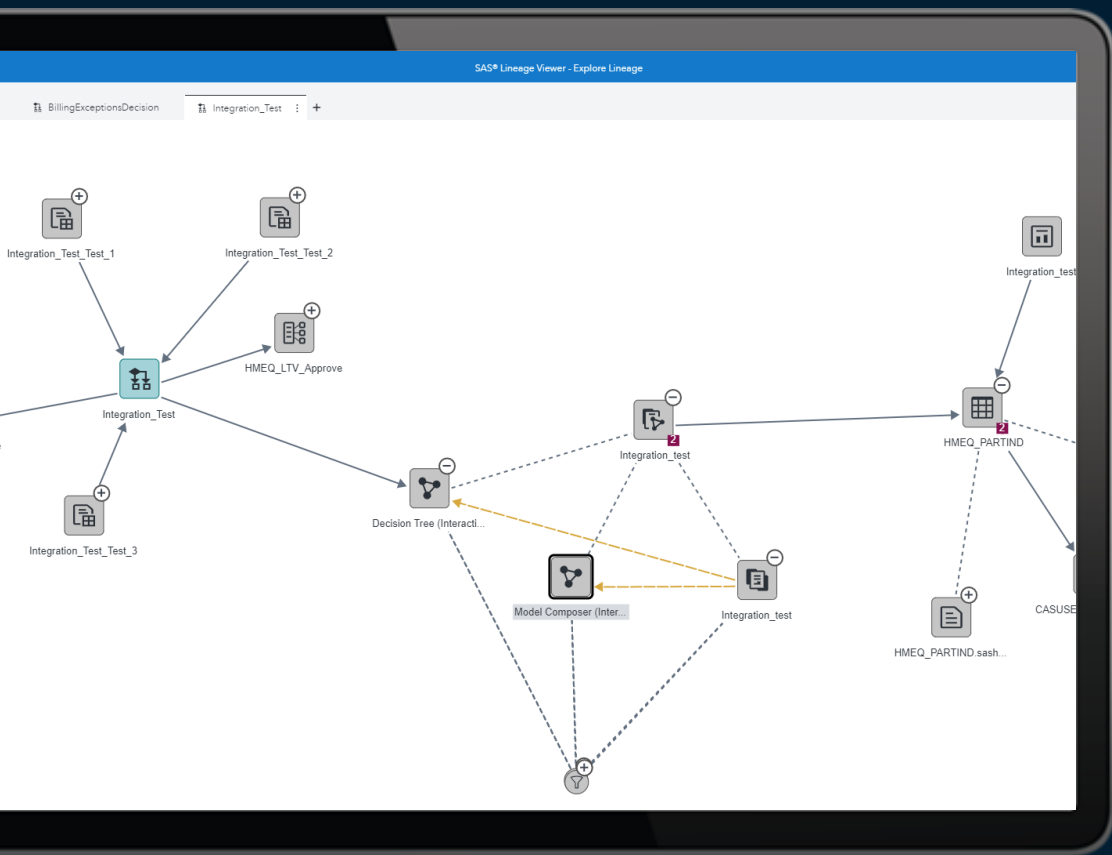
Lineage

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- Document for auditability the lineage of data ingestion and preparation, modeling, reports, and decisions
- Document and understand relationships between involved steps and impact of changes



Example: Banks must show automatic lineage data to comply with regulations such as BCBS-239^{*}



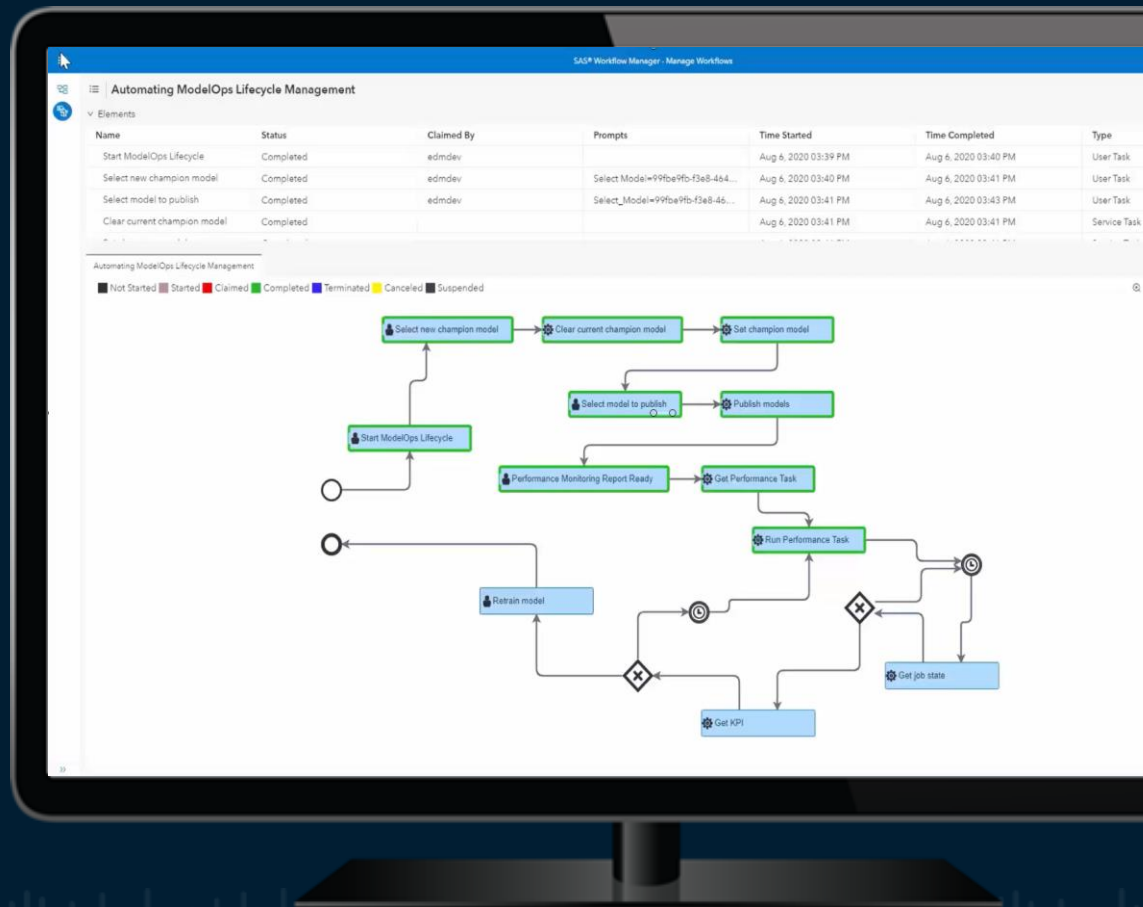
Model Accountability

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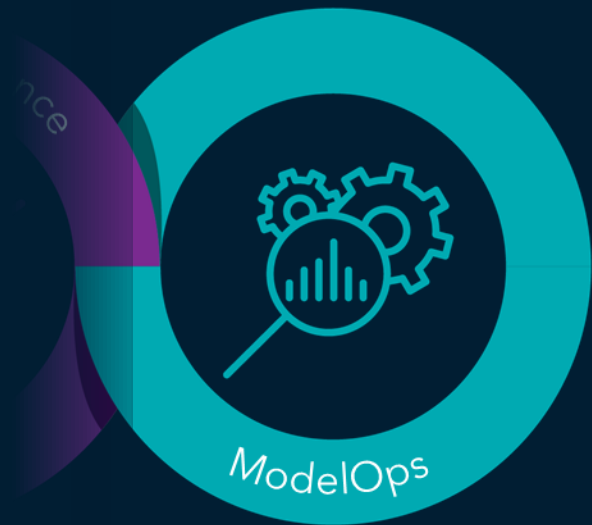
- Implement workflows for clearly defined AI process steps
- Accountable process steps owners
- Maintain audit trail for use with compliance and audit teams



Example: Automation of Business Process Management for the Model Life Cycle



Responsible AI in ModelOps



Model Monitoring

Actively monitor models for change over time in variable relationships

Model Governance

Provide oversight over a population of models and decisions being made

Decision Auditability

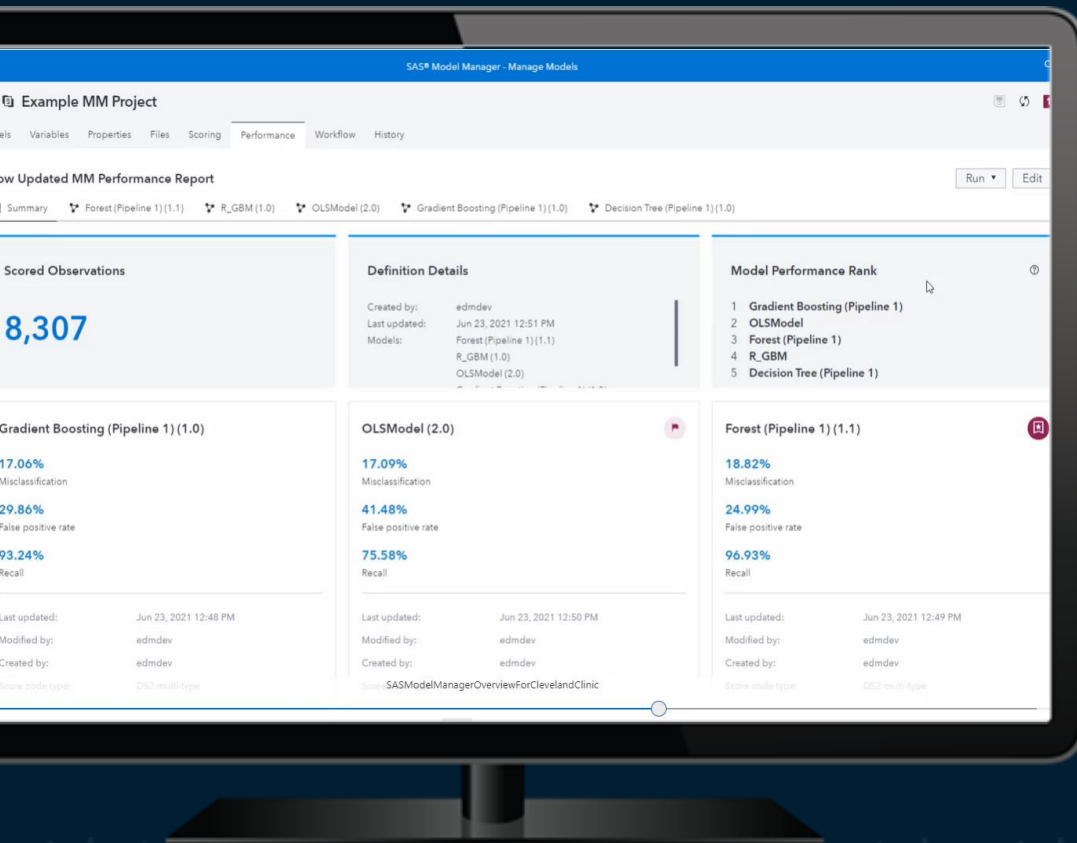
Profile decisions to better enable compliance and responsibility

Model Monitoring

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- Evaluates how input variables affect predictive score over time
- Out of the Box Performance Reports
- Alert when prediction exceed acceptable tolerance
 - Today with Workflow Manager
 - Future with Custom KPIs for tolerance

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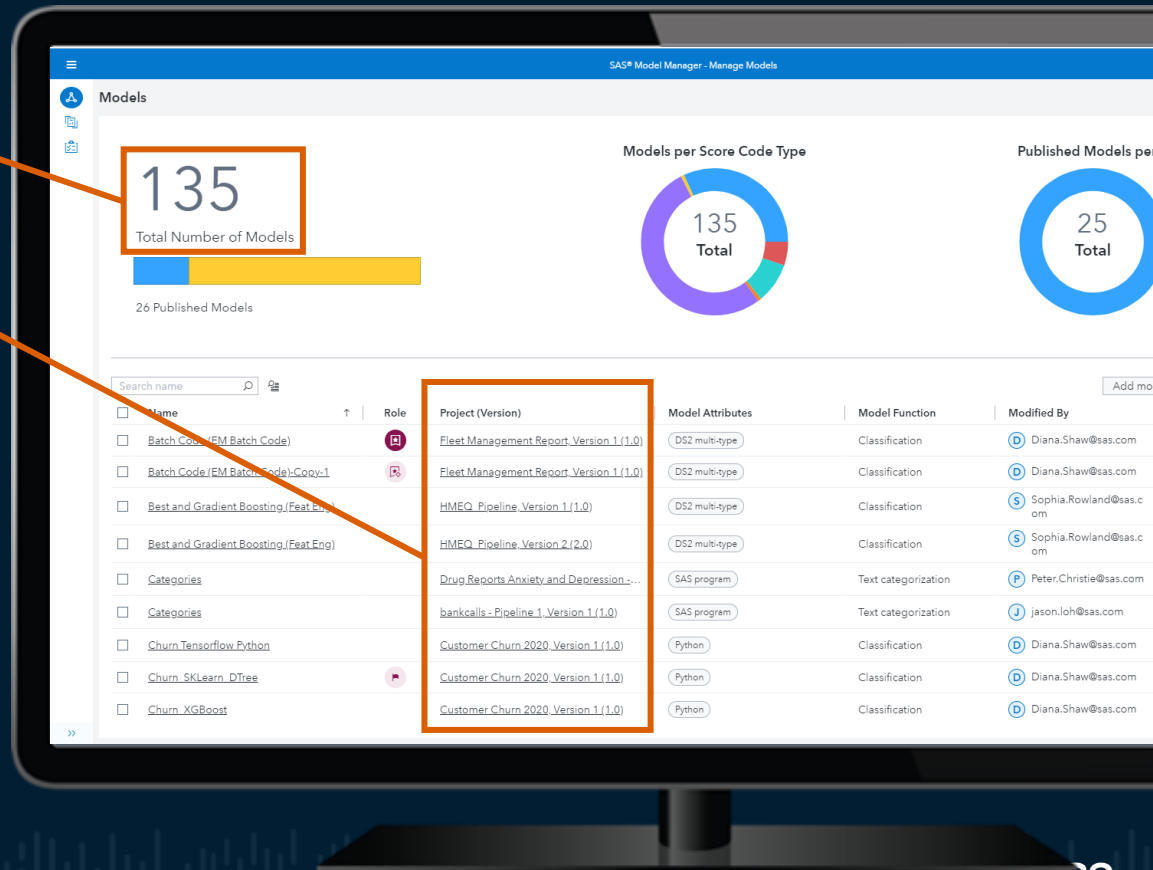


Model Governance

- Have visibility to all models and decisions you are making
- Simplify model management with life cycle templates and version control



Example: Regulated industries



Demonstration

Model Manager

Decision Auditability

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- Investigate how decisions impact different groups such as gender, age, location



Example: How are transaction decisions handled by State?



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Thanks!



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