



# Building robust and defensible ML systems in Fincrime



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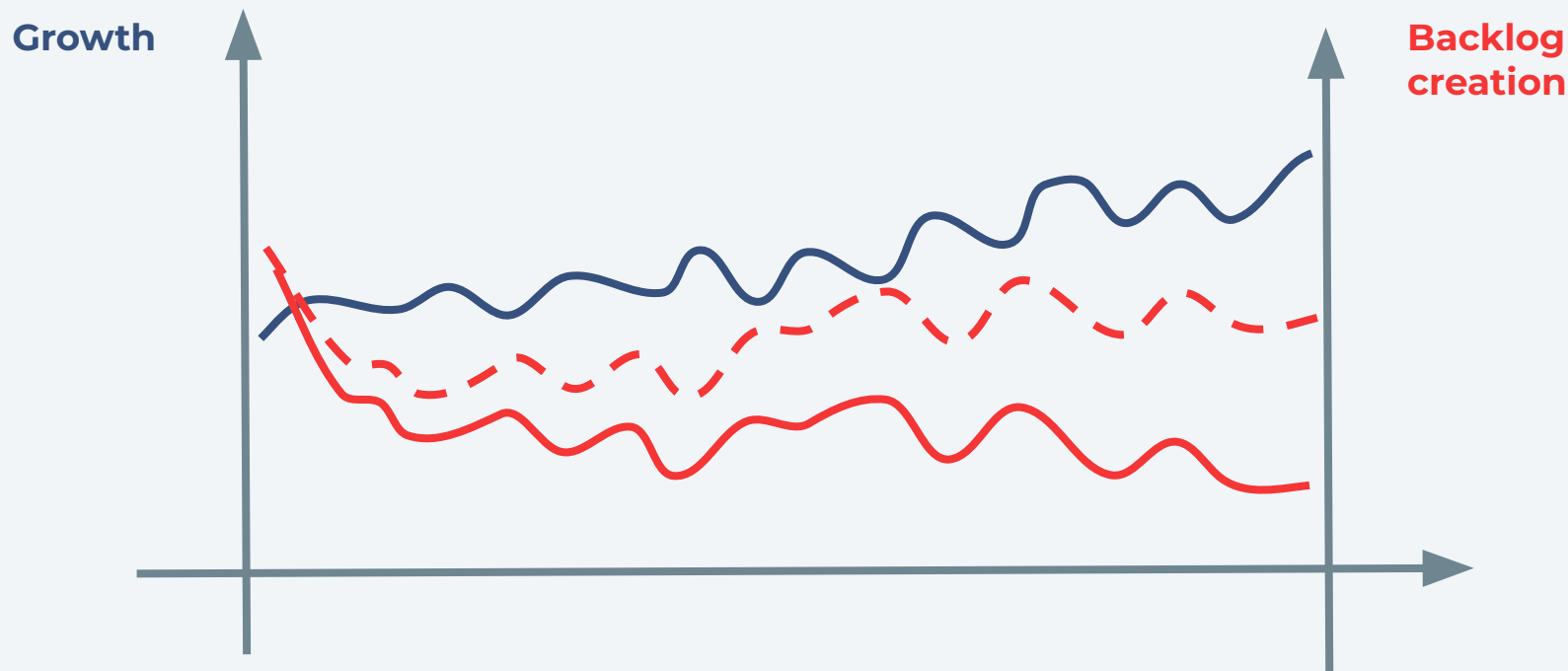
# Why Machine Learning.

# Fincrime Team Objectives

- Prevent onboarding of criminals
- Minimizing the impact on good customers



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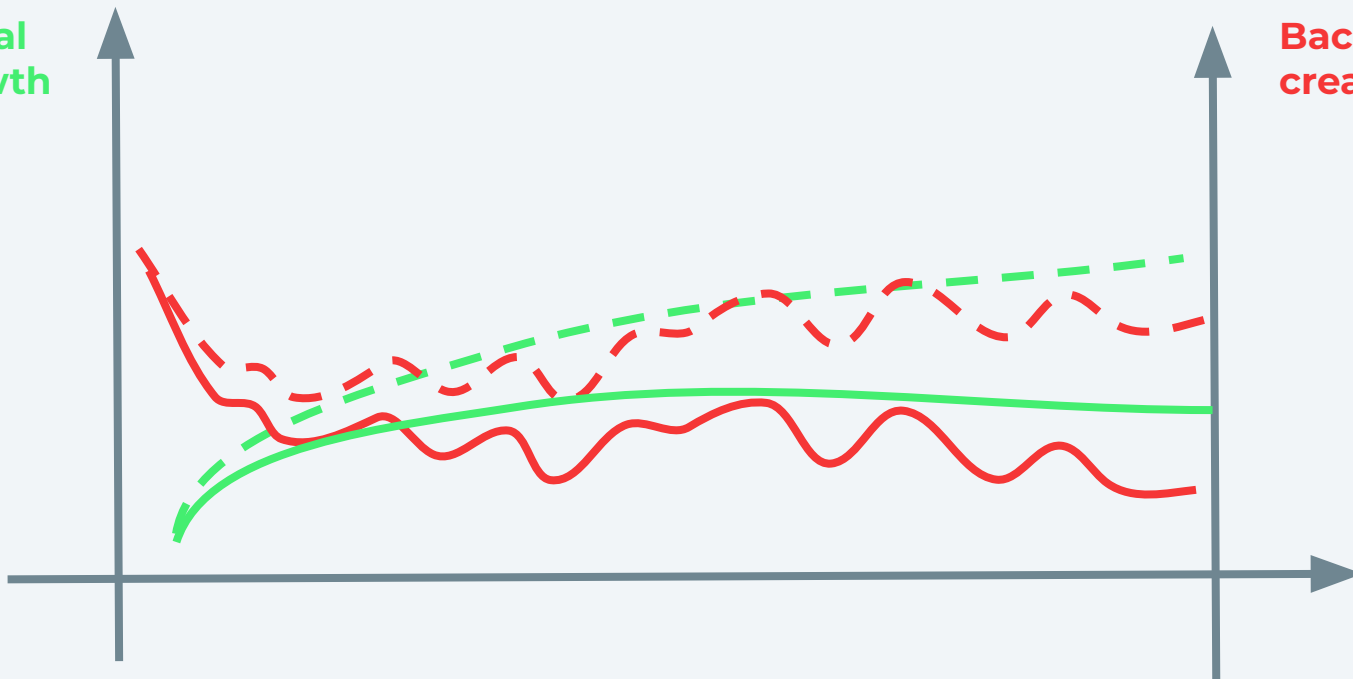


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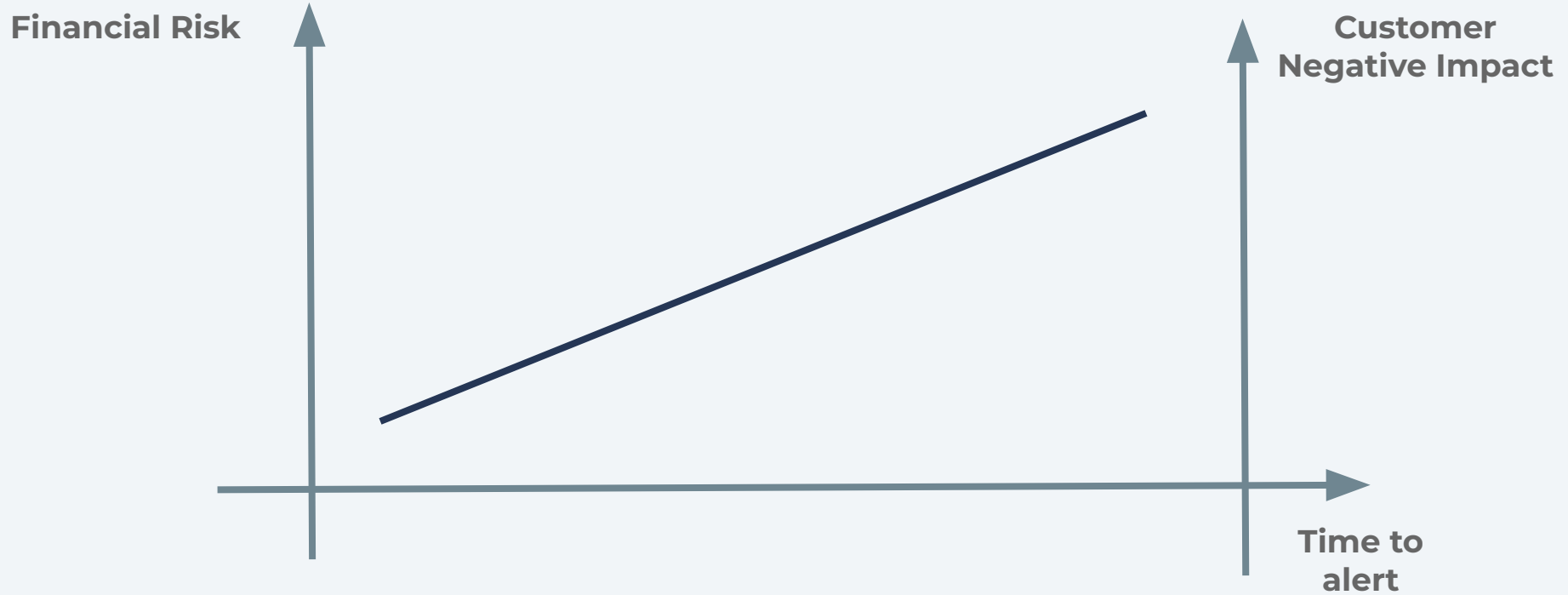
Operational  
team growth

Backlog  
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# Machine learning system

Gives us :

- ❖ **Stable** backlog creation
- ❖ **Reduce** risk exposure

Needs to be :

- ❖ **Robust** : it adapts to changing conditions
- ❖ **Defensible** : understandable and credible to a third party

**How do we do that ?**



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2. Automatic model retraining (*closed-loop learning*)
3. Model governance
4. Model interpretability

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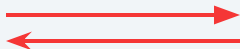
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# Features creation

Feature : The numerical representation of an **observed** behaviour



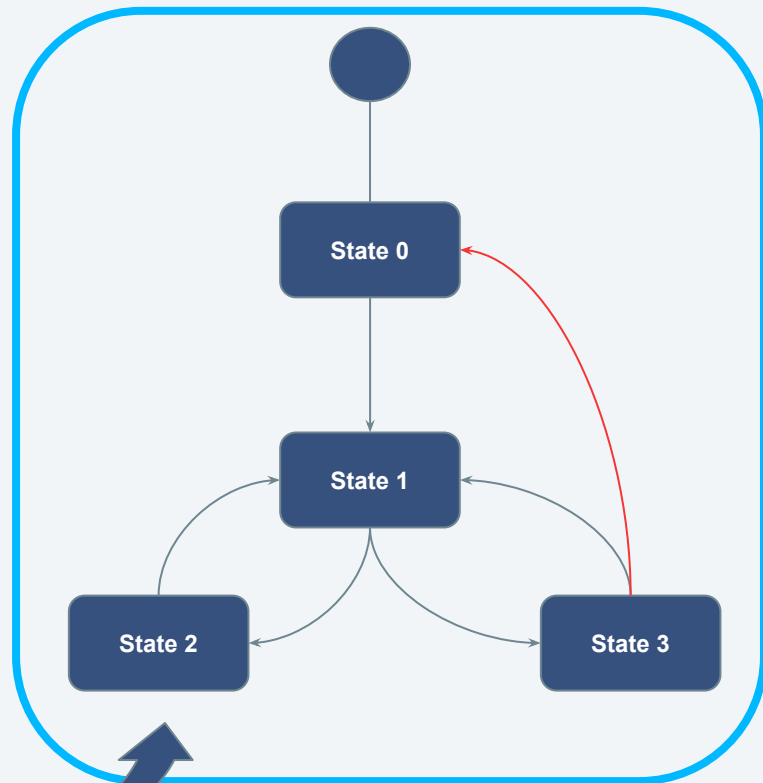
**Defensible :**

If features can be **explained** model results can be better **interpreted / explained**

# Labelling



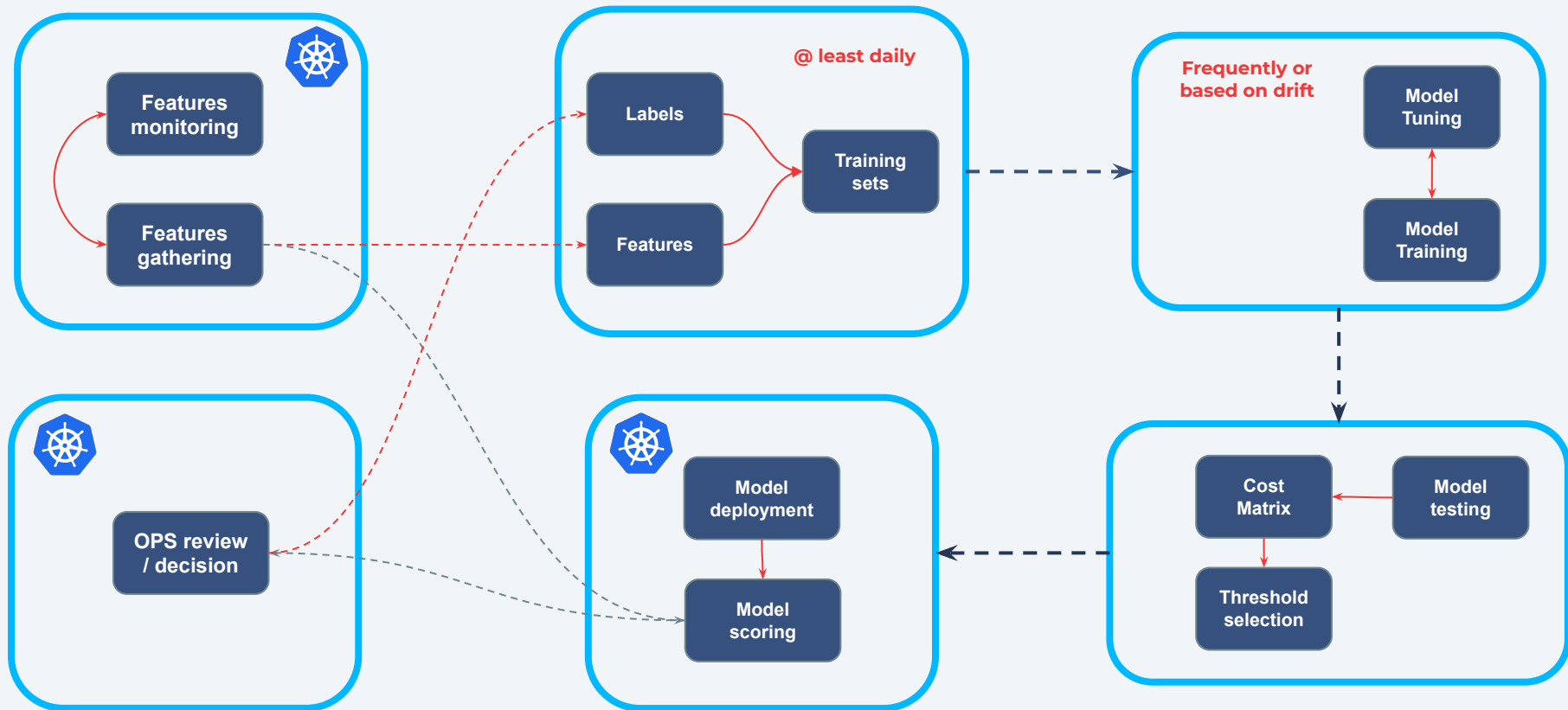
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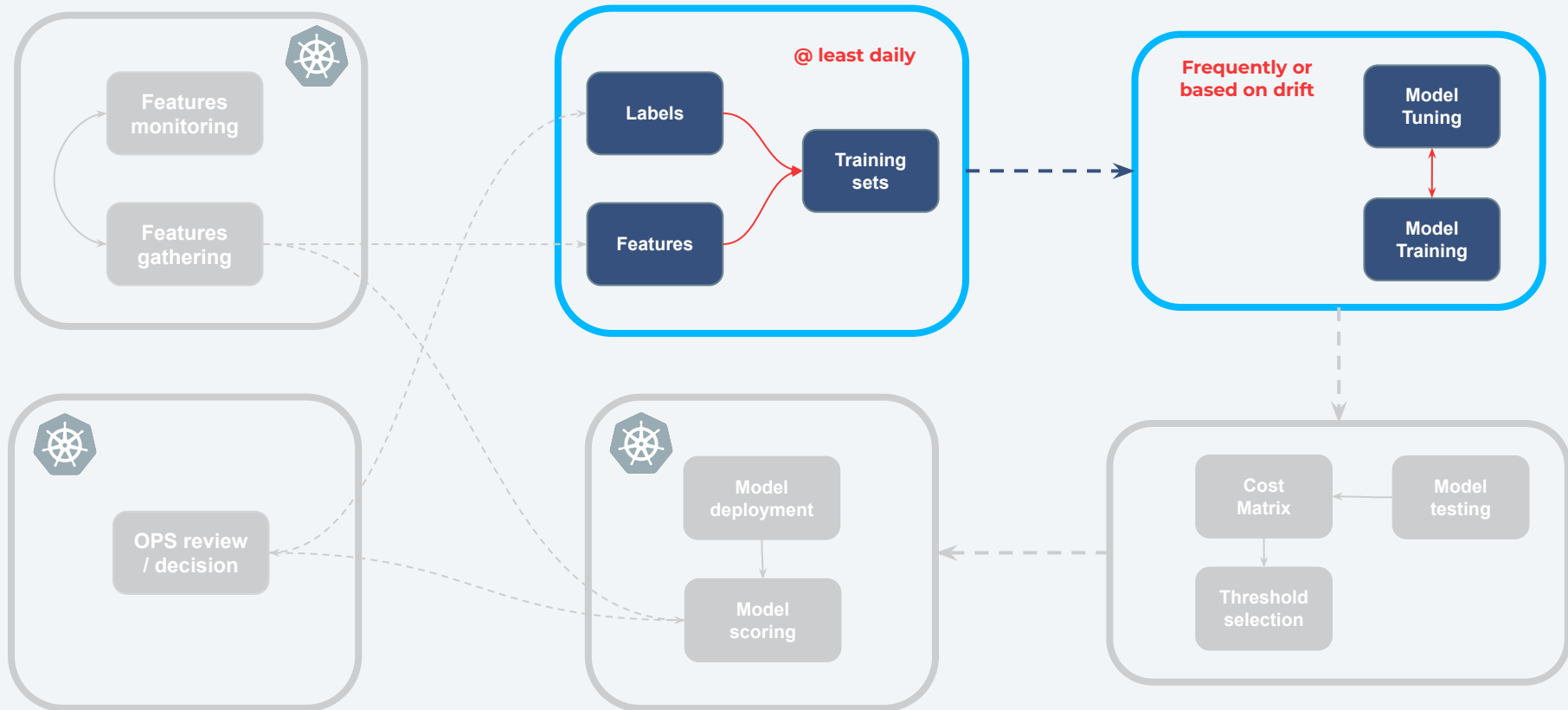
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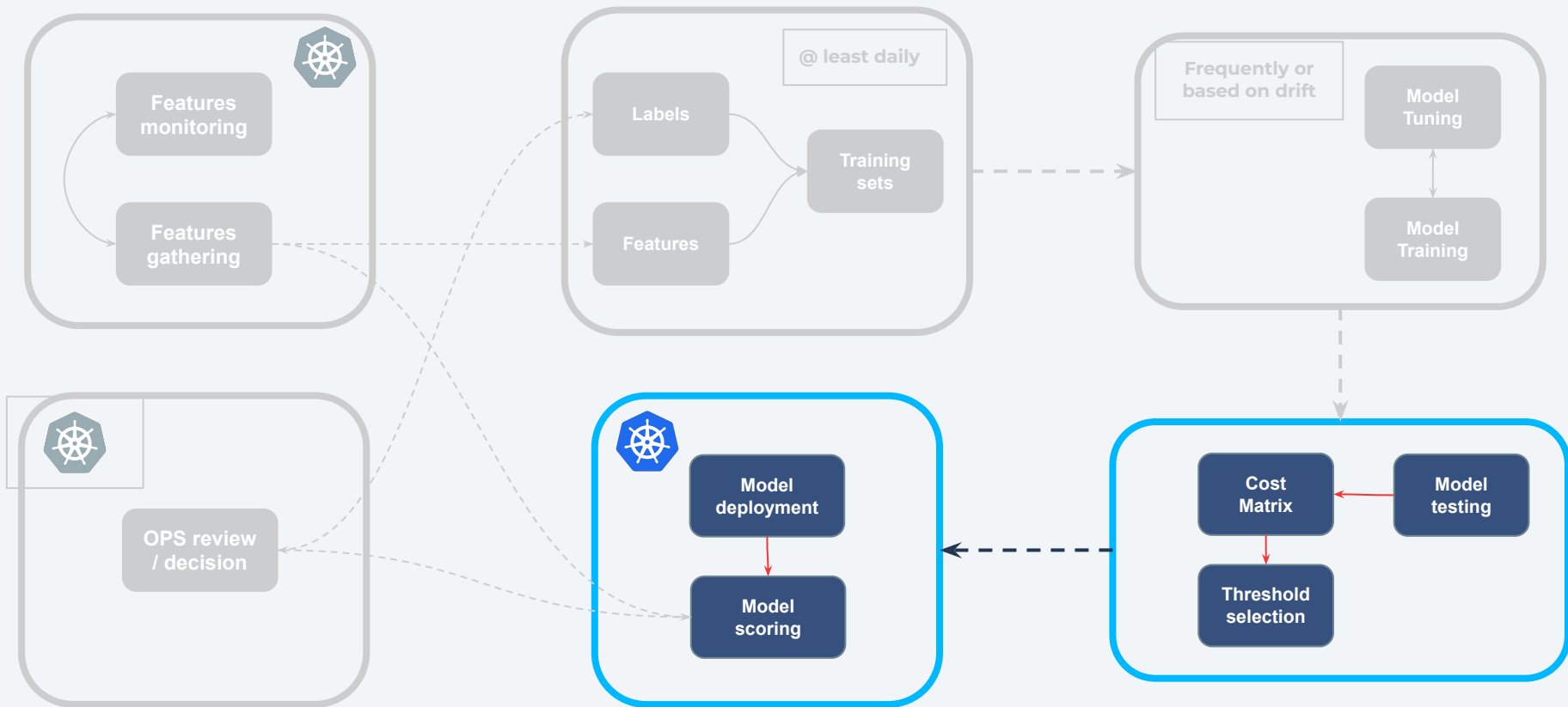
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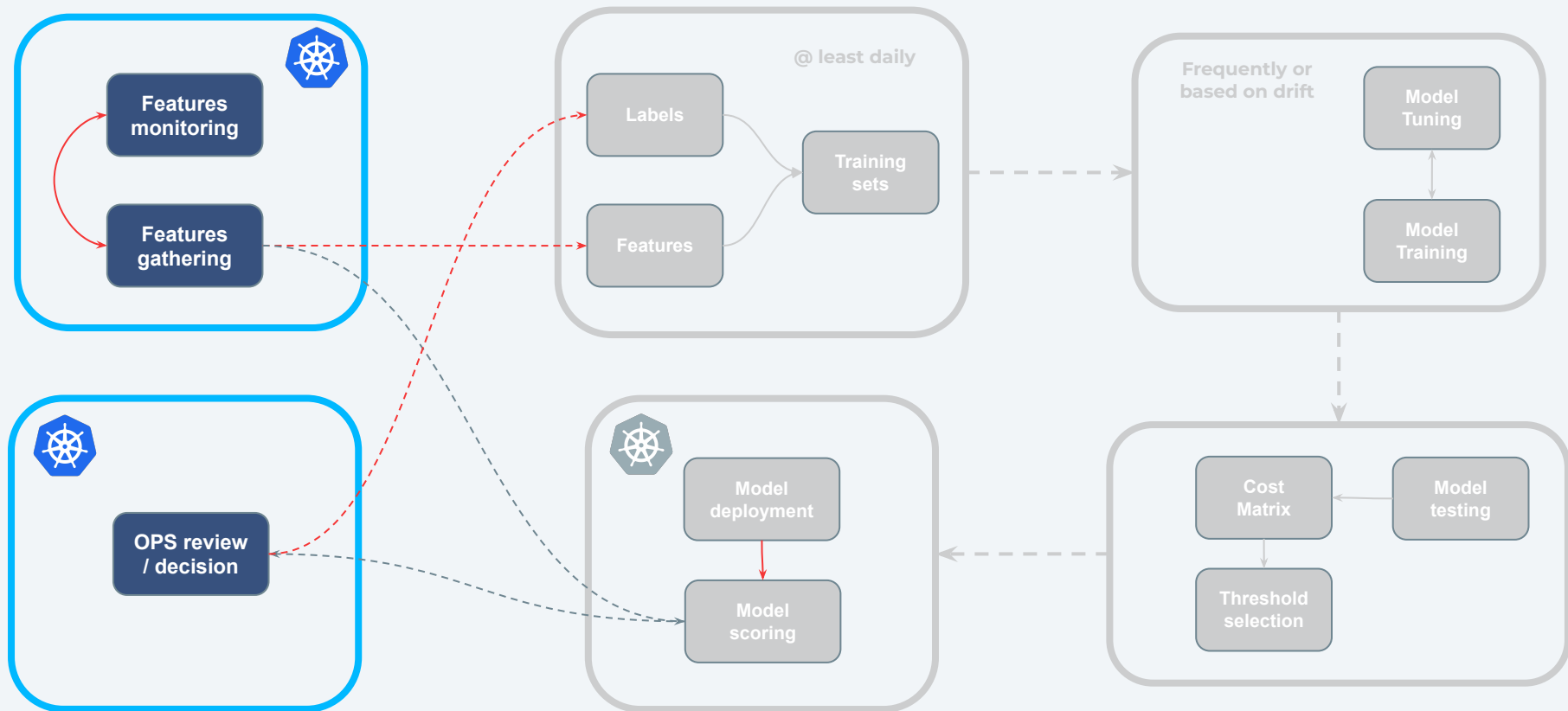


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# Closed-loop learning

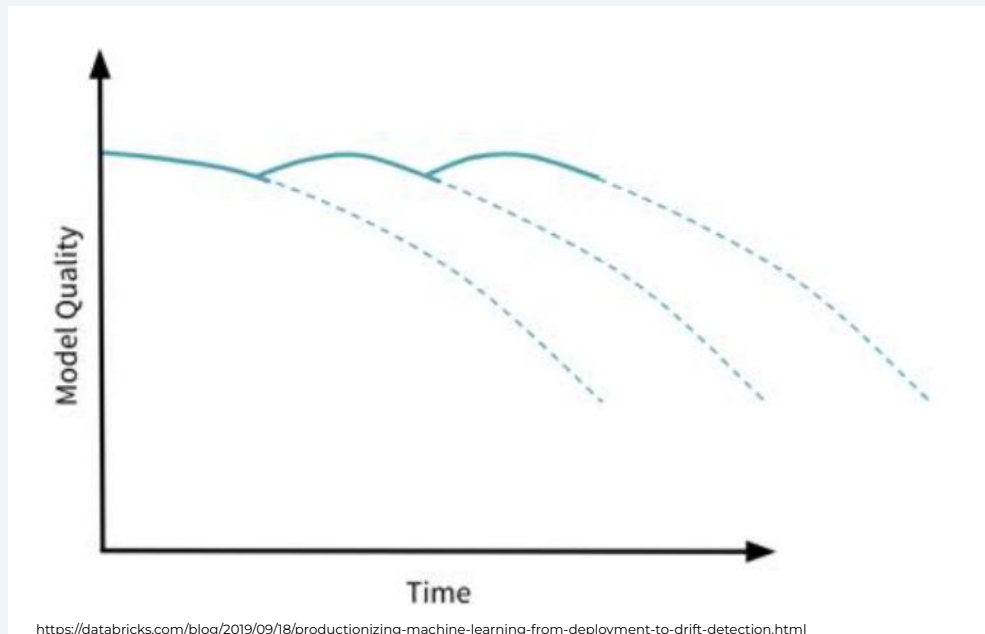


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# Model governance

- ❖ Product coverage
- ❖ Risk typology coverage
- ❖ Data always up-to-date
- ❖ Update models frequently (no **do-and-forget** attitude)
- ❖ Tracking all important model metrics (in prod)
- ❖ Features & labels quality monitoring



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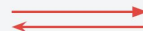
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**Features** linked to a specific pattern or behaviour - easier to **interpret / explain** the model decision

**Current challenges .**

# Challenges

1. **Scaling of ML infrastructure (with growth)**
2. **Features group interpretability (generating narratives)**
3. **Enhancing features and labels quality monitoring**



 **Thank you!**

