

Hopsworks Feature Store is a data warehouse for your ML features. The Feature Store acts as an API between Data Engineering and Data Science, enabling improved collaboration between Data Engineers, who engineer the features, with Data Scientists, who use the features to train models. The Feature Store enables features to be registered, discovered, and used as part of ML pipelines, thus making it easier to transform and validate the training data that is fed into machine learning systems.

For Data Engineers

Data Engineers typically have responsibility for adding new features. A Feature could be computed by anything from a simple SQL query on an external datastore to complex graph embeddings computed from large amounts of graph data. Features can be created either in notebooks or programs (Python/Scala/ Java APIs) or in the Hopsworks UI (ondemand features using SQL queries on external databases). Hopsworks Feature Store supports access control, and versioning for both features and training datasets. Feature data can be validated before ingestion using our Data Validation API.

For ML Engineers

Hopsworks Feature Store supports time travel queries to lookup the value of a feature at a point in time in the past (used to generate new training data for late observations). Hopsworks Online and Offline Feature Store are both horizontally scalable and highly available. Hopsworks Feature store enables more flexible ML pipelines, breaking them up into feature engineering pipelines that ingest feature data into the Feature Store, and training pipelines after the Feature Store to deploy models into production. Connectors to HDFS, S3, and external databases are supported.

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