

How to Build a Complete Security and Governance Solution Using Unity Catalog





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Abstract

Unity Catalog unifies governance and security for Databricks in one place. It can store data classifications and privileges and enforce them.

This talk will go into the details of Unity Catalog and explains the core building blocks in Unity Catalog for Security and Governance. I will also explain how Privacera translates Apache Ranger policies into native policies of Unity Catalogs, audits are collected from Unity Catalog and imported into the centralized Audit Store of Apache Ranger, and Privacera can extend Unity Catalog.



Agenda

- Unity Catalog Overview
 - Foundational capabilities for Enterprise-wide Governance
- Security and Governance for Enterprise
- Best Practices for implementing Access Governance
- Demo



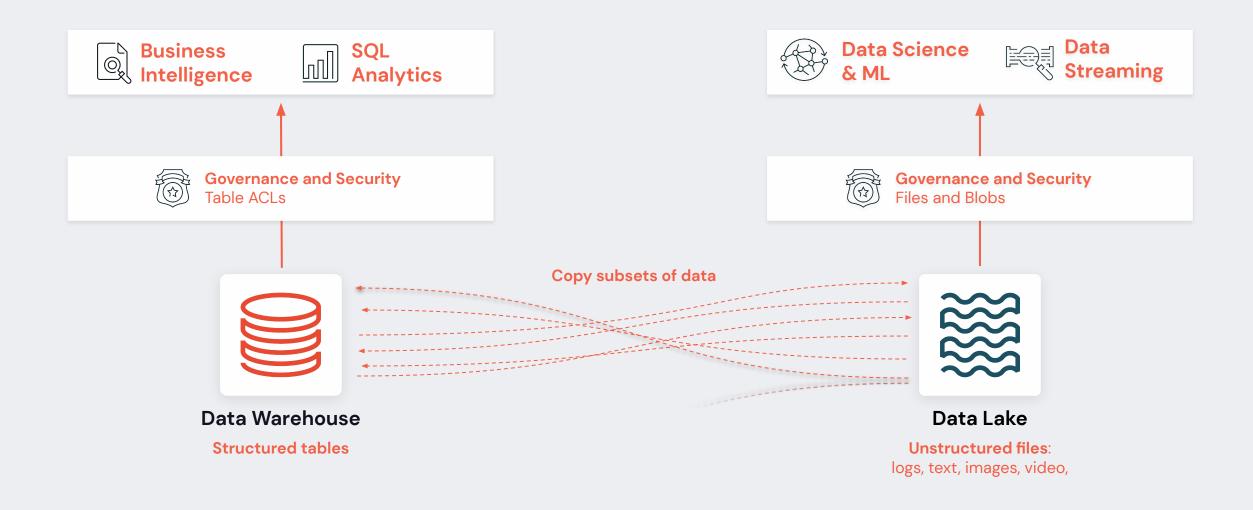
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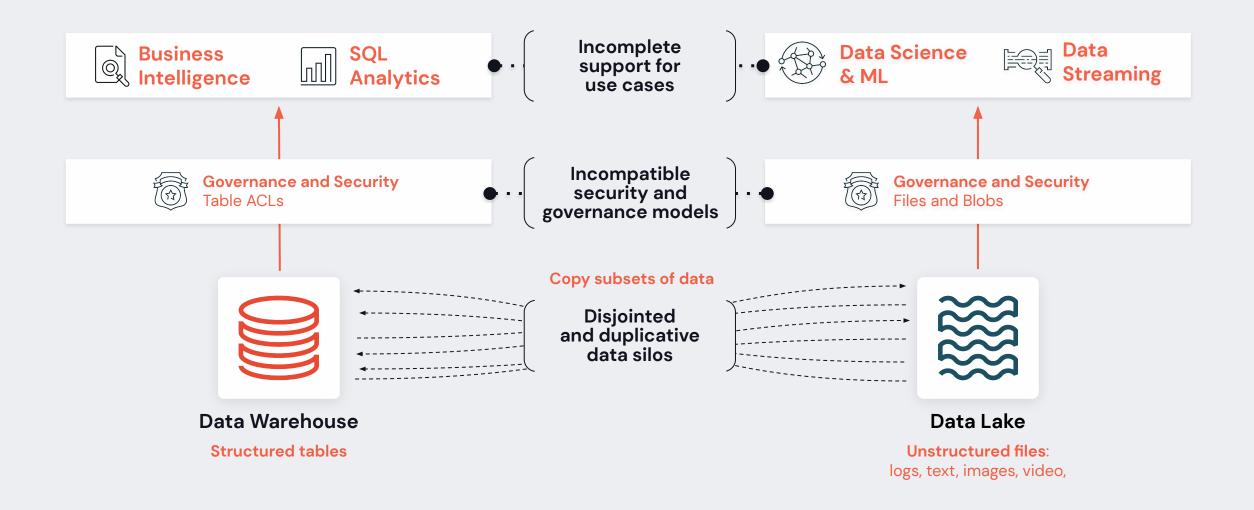
Most enterprises today struggle with data and Al Governance



Two disparate, incompatible data platforms



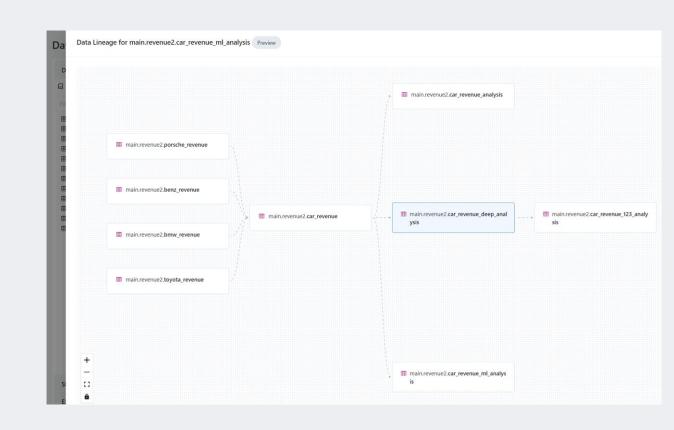
Two disparate, incompatible data platforms



Built-in Data Lineage

End-to-end visibility into how data flows and consumed in your organization

- Auto-capture runtime data lineage on a Databricks cluster or SQL endpoint
- Track lineage down to the table and column level
- Leverage common permission model from Unity Catalog



Governance is also hard to enforce on data lakes

- Lack of fine-grained access controls
- Time consuming data discovery
- Hard to audit
- Non-standard cloud-specific governance model
- No governance support for other asset types –
 ML models, dashboards



Data Lake

Unstructured files: logs, text, images, video,

How Databricks helps

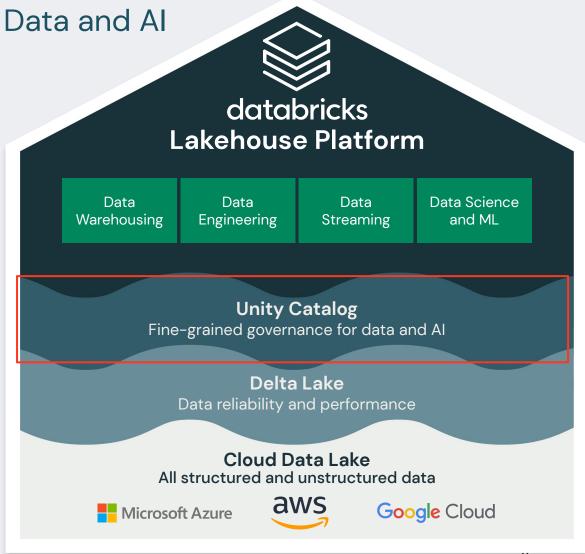


Unity Catalog

Provide the Building Blocks for Governance of Data and Al

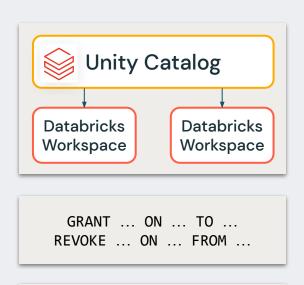
Assets on the Lakehouse Architecture

- Provides foundational, unified metadata and access control for data, analytics and Al across clouds within the Databricks Lakehouse
- Help to meet compliance requirements with Databricks by providing audit functionality
- Provides performant enforcement of access control across all languages and compute types to increase productivity.
- Seamlessly integrates across partner and customer ecosystems.



Unity Catalog - Foundational Capabilities

- Centralized metadata and user management Preview
- Centralized data access controls Preview
- Data lineage Private Preview
- Data access auditing Preview
- Data search and discovery Private Preview
- Secure data sharing with Delta Sharing Preview



Catalogs, Databases (schemas), Tables, Views, Storage credentials, External locations

Centralized Metadata and User Management

Create a unified view of your data estate

Without Unity Catalog

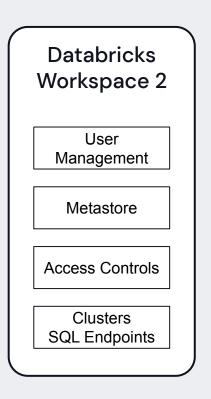
Databricks
Workspace 1

User
Management

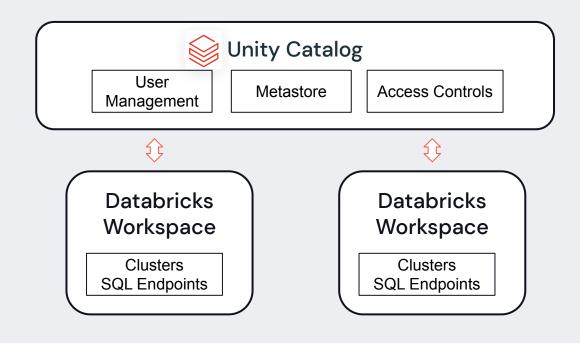
Metastore

Access Controls

Clusters
SQL Endpoints



With Unity Catalog



Centralized Access Controls

Centrally grant and manage access permissions across workloads

Using ANSI SQL DCL

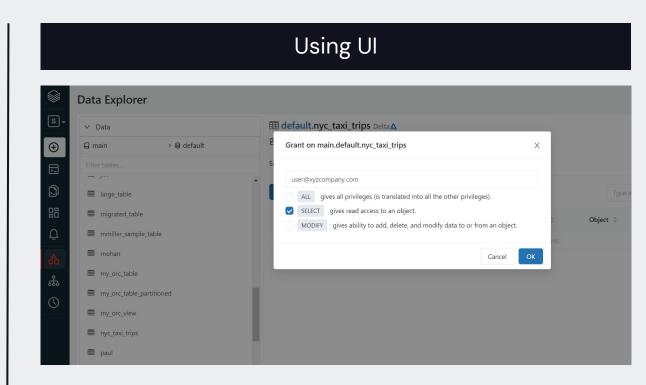
GRANT <privilege> ON <securable_type>
<securable_name> TO `<principal>`

GRANT SELECT ON iot.events TO engineers

Choose / permission level

'Table'= collection of files in S3/ADLS

Sync groups from your identity provider

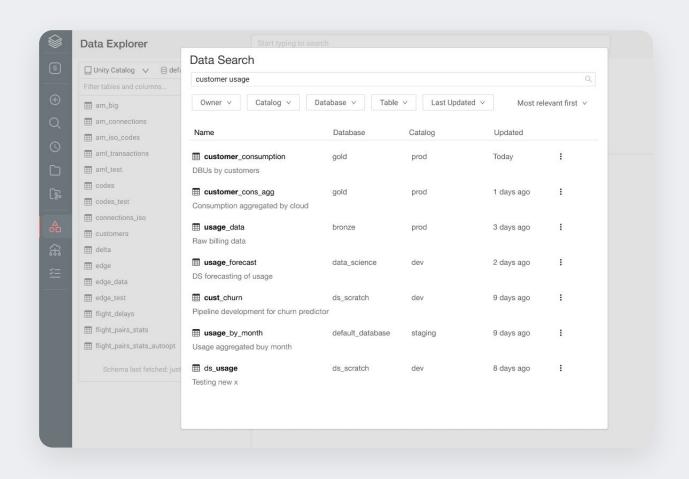




Data Discovery

Accelerate time to value with low latency data discovery

- UI to search for data assets stored in Unity Catalog
- Unified UI across DSML + DBSQL
- Leverage common permission model from Unity Catalog





What's next for Unity Catalog?



Attribute-based access control

Apply tags to any data asset

Create policies on tags

Simplify access control at scale

```
CREATE TAG finance_data

APPLY TAG finance_data TO TABLE global_sales

APPLY TAG finance_data TO SCHEMA cost_of_goods

GRANT SELECT ON TAG finance_data TO finance_group
```

Row filtering and column masking

Use SQL functions to create row filters and column masks

Apply to existing tables

```
CREATE FUNCTION us(region STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
  RETURN if(is_member('admin'), true, region='US')
```

ALTER TABLE sales SET ROW FILTER us ON (region)

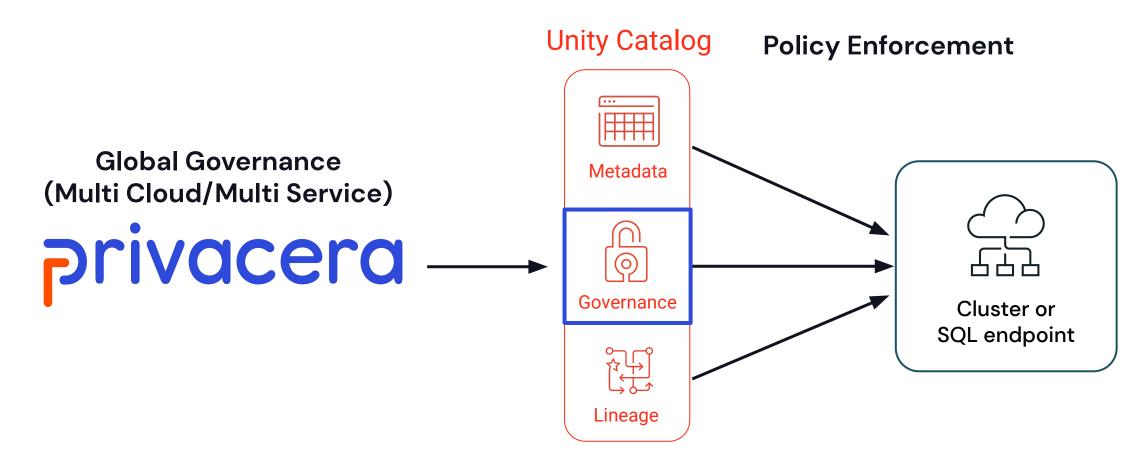
```
CREATE FUNCTION mask(ssn STRING) RETURNS STRING
  RETURN if(is_member('admin'), ssn, '****')
```

ALTER TABLE users ALTER COLUMN ssn SET MASK mask



Unity Catalog and Governance Partners

Better together





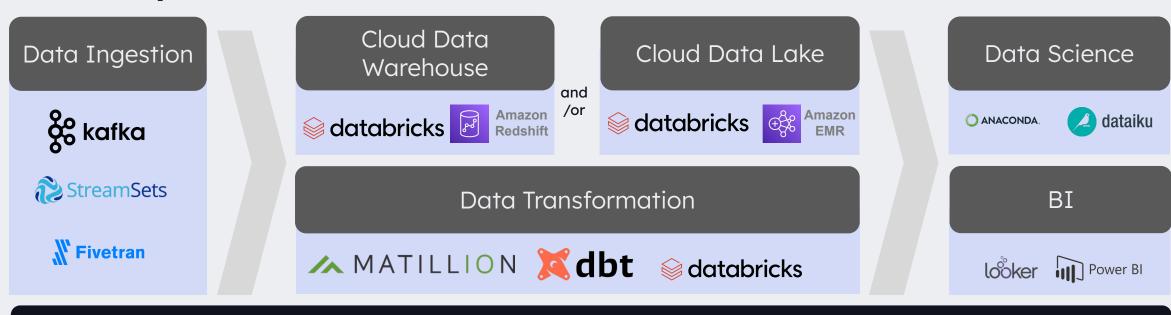
Extending Unity Catalog

Why extend Unity Catalog?

To address compliance and privacy requirements, **Data Governance** should be consistent across **all** of your **data** services, tools and access patterns

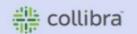


Multiple Data Services, Tools and Access Patterns

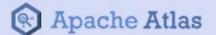


Enterprise Data Governance

Global Data Catalog



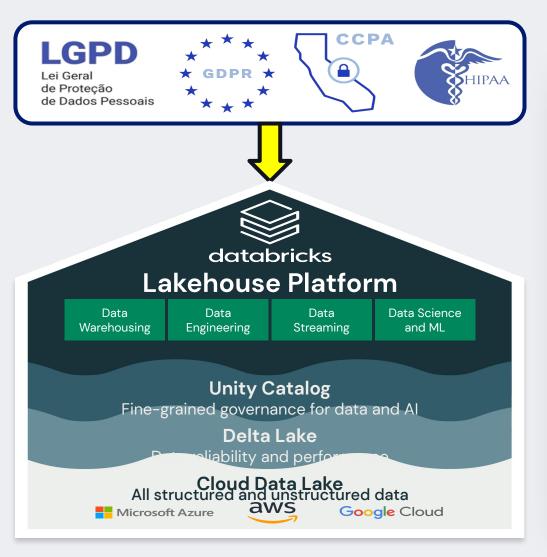




Centralized Data Privacy, Access Control, and Security



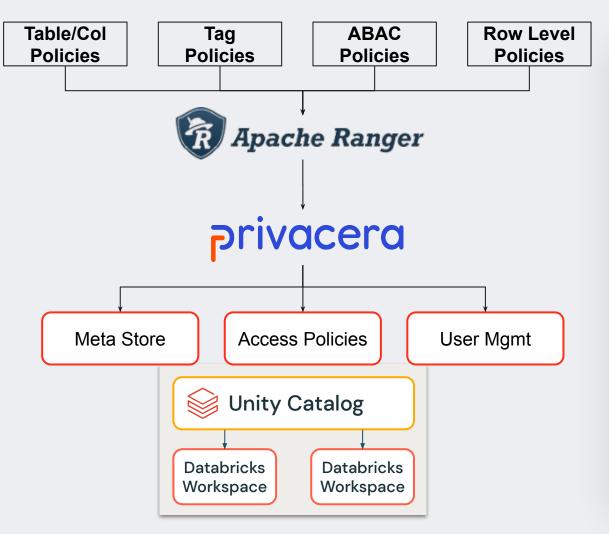
Compliance and Governance Requirements



Extend Unity Catalog to ...

- Holistically apply compliance and privacy policies
- Integrate with central access management tools
- Integrate with external consent management systems
- Integrate with home grown entitlement systems

How does Unity Catalog Help?



Unity Catalog - Foundational Capabilities

- REST APIs v/s GRANT/REVOKE
- Centralized metadata and user management for Databricks workspaces
- Centralized data access controls for Databricks workspaces
- Central access auditing for all workspaces

Apache Ranger

Centralized Access Management and Auditing Framework

- Used by 3000+ enterprises around the world
- Supporting plugins
 - AWS EMR, GCP Dataproc, Azure HDInsight
 - Dremio, Starburst, Trino, PrestoDB
 - Apache Submarine
 - Privacera -> Most Cloud Data
 Sources
- Centralized Auditing

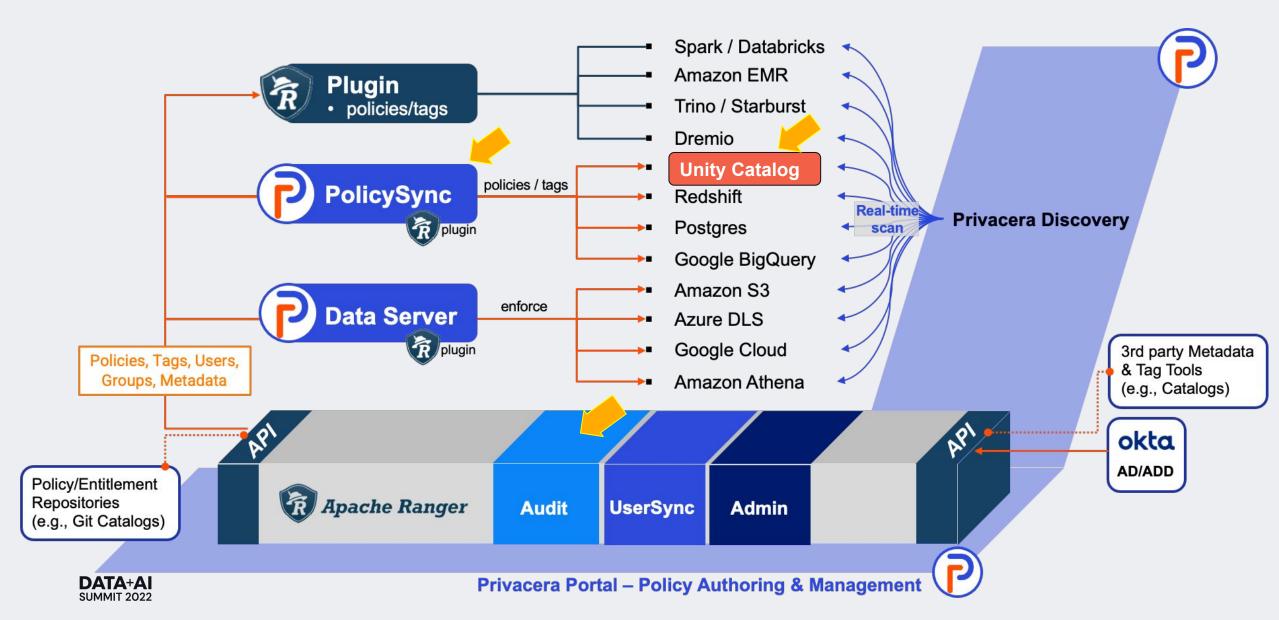
Apache Ranger at a Glance	
Number of Releases (Major & Minor)	17
Number of Committers & Contributors	71
Formation of Apache Ranger as an incubator Project	2014
Recognition of Apache Ranger as a Top-Level Project (TLP)	2017
Lines of Code in the Latest Apache Ranger Release	389,000
Estimated Number of Companies Using Apache Ranger	3000+



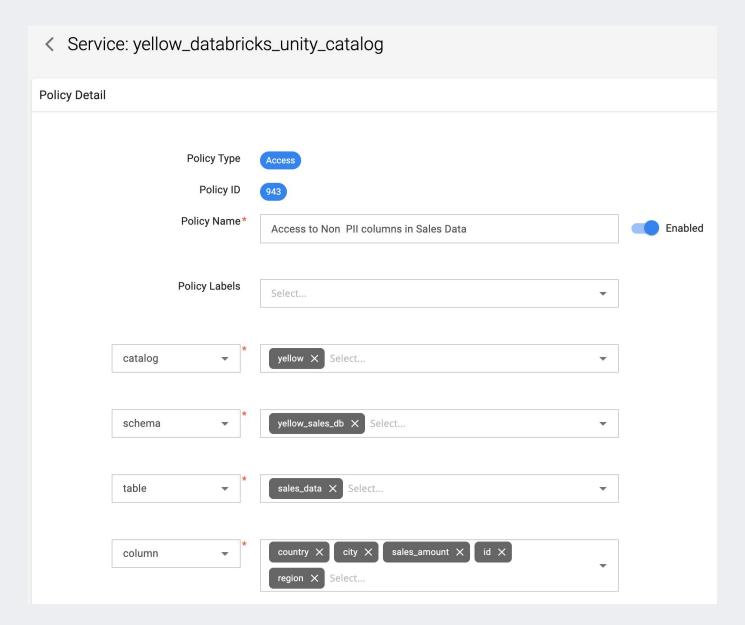




Apache Ranger - Centralized Governance Framework



Apache Ranger Service Definition for Unity Catalog





Fine Grained Authorization

Translate Ranger Policy from YAML format to Unity Catalog JSON format



```
https://your-uc-workspace.cloud.databr
icks.com/api/2.0/unity-catalog//permis
sions/table/sales_catalog.sales_schema
.sales_table
   "privilege_assignments": [
          "principal": "emily.hope@acme.com",
          "privileges": [
              "SELECT"
```

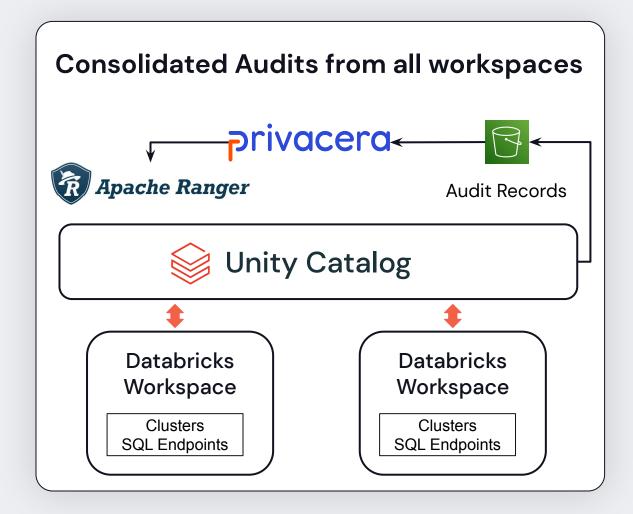
Unity Catalog

Centralized Auditing

Synchronize Audits from Unity Catalog to Apache Ranger

Steps

- Unity Catalog consolidates audits from workspace and stores in object store (S3/GCS/ADLS)
- Audits can be access using SQL table over the audit storage location
- Privacera pulls the audits by Unity
 Catalog and stores in Apache Ranger
- Consolidated audits from all services can be accessed from Apache Ranger



Simplifying Access Governance Implementation

3 Stages of Data Life Cylce and Personas



IAM Perm

/Encrypt





Coarse Grained Perm



Data Engineer "Rick" will perform the following actions from multiple tools



Fine Grained Perm



Data Analyst "Emily" runs queries on Databricks SQL table





Centralized audits for all data sources and tools

Data Ingest



Using service users and IAM roles automatically scan and tag/encrypt PII & sensitive data

[Future] Push these tags to Unity Catalog

Data **Engineering**



Privacera S3 Browser:

Visually check the files in S3

Databricks Cluster:

- Process the files using PySpark
- **Databricks Cluster:**

Create tables from the files

Data Warehouse



Audit

Redact all columns which are tagged as PII. e.g. PERSON_NAME

- Anonymize sensitive fields.
- E.g Tag is "EMAIL"
- Apply dynamic row level filtering using ABAC policies to show data for customers from US

















Demo



Privacera and Unity Catalog together

Brings simpler governance across any data, any cloud

Privacera + Unity Catalog

- ✓ Data Governance across hybrid and multi-cloud
- Sensitive Data discovery, fine grained access management and encryption across any data
- Automated workflows to reduce data and user onboarding time
- Centralized auditing and canned reports for security and compliance

Unity Catalog

- Metadata and user management for lakehouse
- Access control and auditing for the lakehouse
- APIs to integrate with partner solutions

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