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AI in Data Engineering & Pipelines Orchestration Playbook

Using AI to accelerate pipeline development without losing track of what each pipeline actually does

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Overview

A framework for using AI in data engineering and pipeline orchestration — AI-assisted pipeline code generation, automated data quality monitoring, and intelligent orchestration — that maintains genuine pipeline documentation and understanding even as AI accelerates development, avoiding the accumulation of AI-generated pipeline complexity no one fully understands.

Does AI-assisted pipeline development risk creating maintenance

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