Connecting the Clouds

Utilizing Service Cloud data in Marketing Cloud

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 - price comparison platform
 - insurance, energy, finance, telco
 - > 50 people and growing
- ~ 15 years in development
- > 2,5 years experience with Service Cloud
- ~ 2 years experience with Marketing Cloud

Agenda

- What is Marketing Cloud?
- Why connect Service and Marketing Cloud?
- Marketing Cloud Connect
- Journey Builder
 - Service Cloud audience selection
 - next level journeys with custom activities
- Marketing Cloud Developer Tools

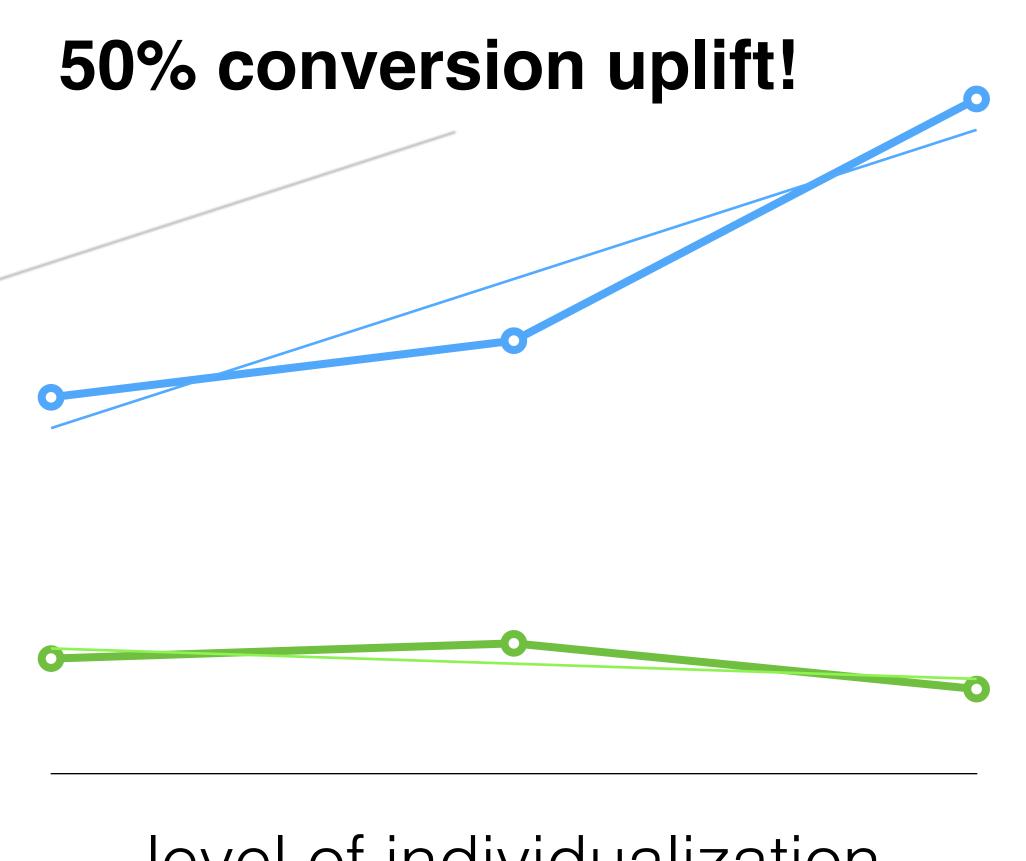
What is Marketing Cloud?

- Marketing Automation tool
 - Email, Social, Mobile, ...
- Focus on B2C
- 2000: ExactTarget
- 2012: Pardot (B2B) bought by ExactTarget
- June 2013: Salesforce acquired ExactTarget

Why connect Service and Marketing Cloud?

- use data you already have
- no redundant data storage and data administration
- better segmentation & personalization
 - more relevant campaigns
 - more relevant content

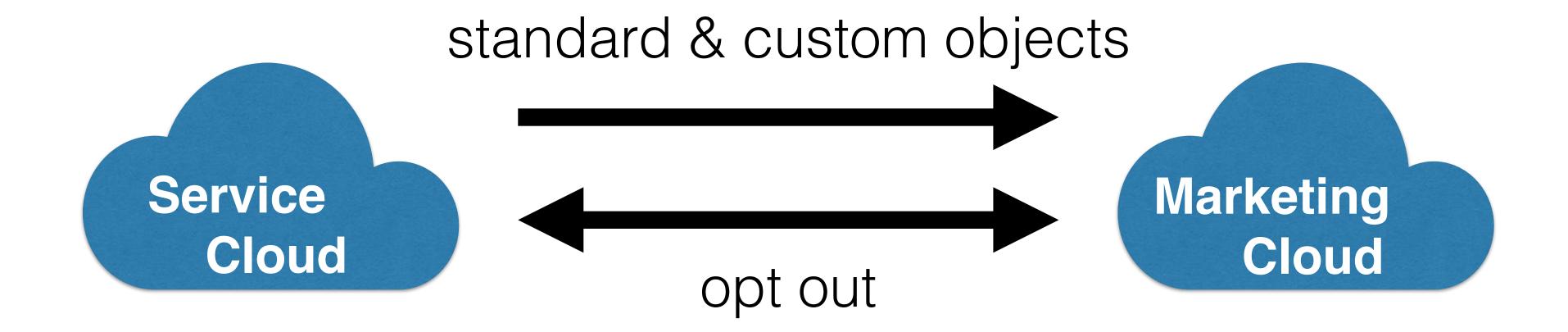
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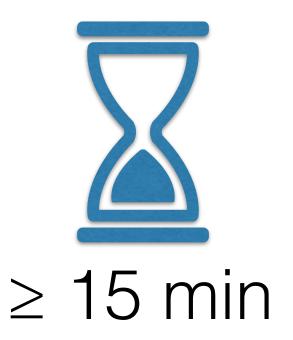


- conversion
- unsubscribe

level of individualization

Marketing Cloud Connect





Problems & pitfalls

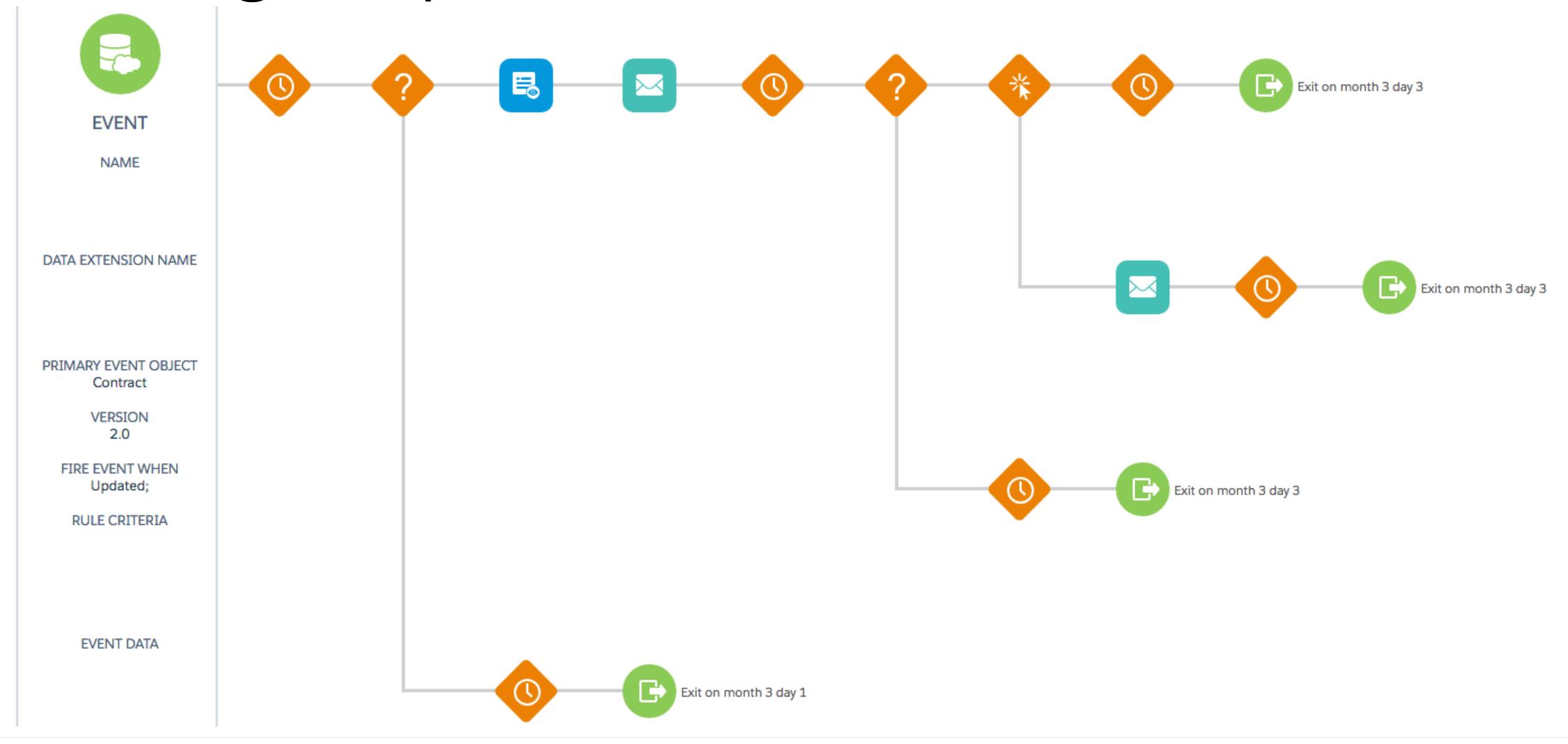
- polling interval >= 15 min
- email address changes in SFDC not effective in SFMC
 - workaround required! (→ markus.codes/email-sync-workaround)
- no blind faith in new features!

Service Cloud audience selection

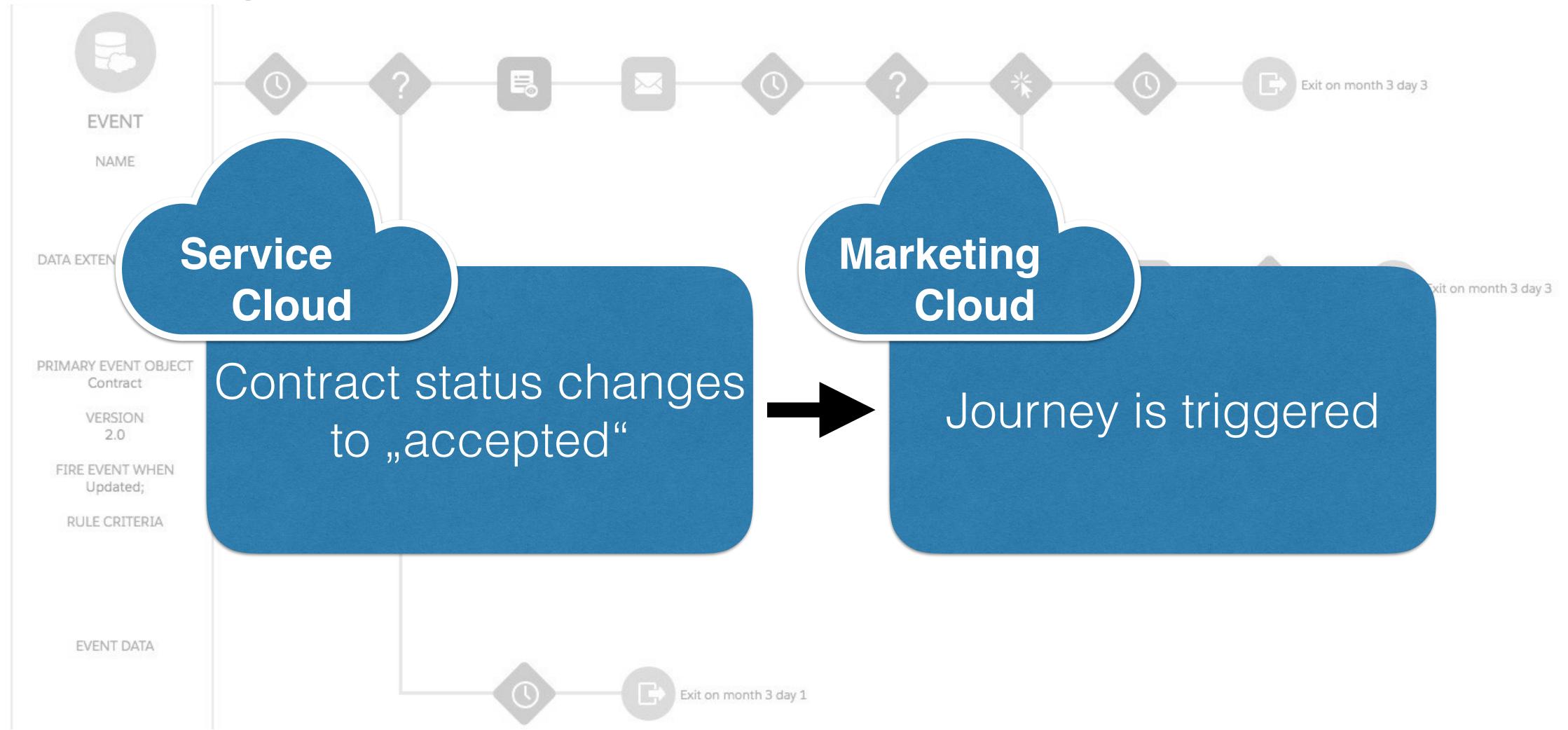
- Salesforce Data Event
- synchronized data extensions
 - + filtered data extension
 - + SQL activity (more flexibility)
- report-based

Salesforce Data Event

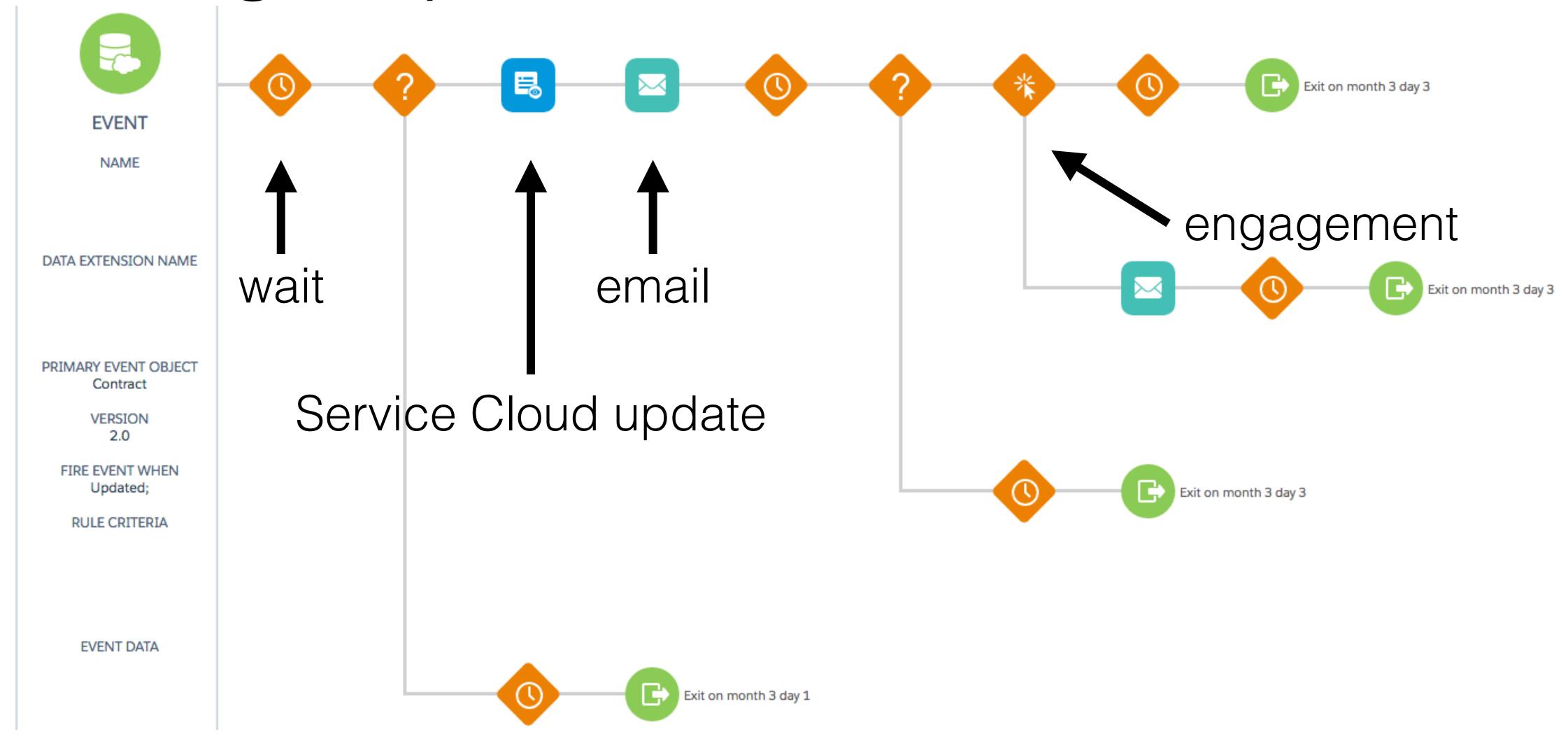
- trigger journey on change in Service Cloud
- no sync gap for event data!
- possible use cases include
 - welcome journey
 - survey after closed customer service case







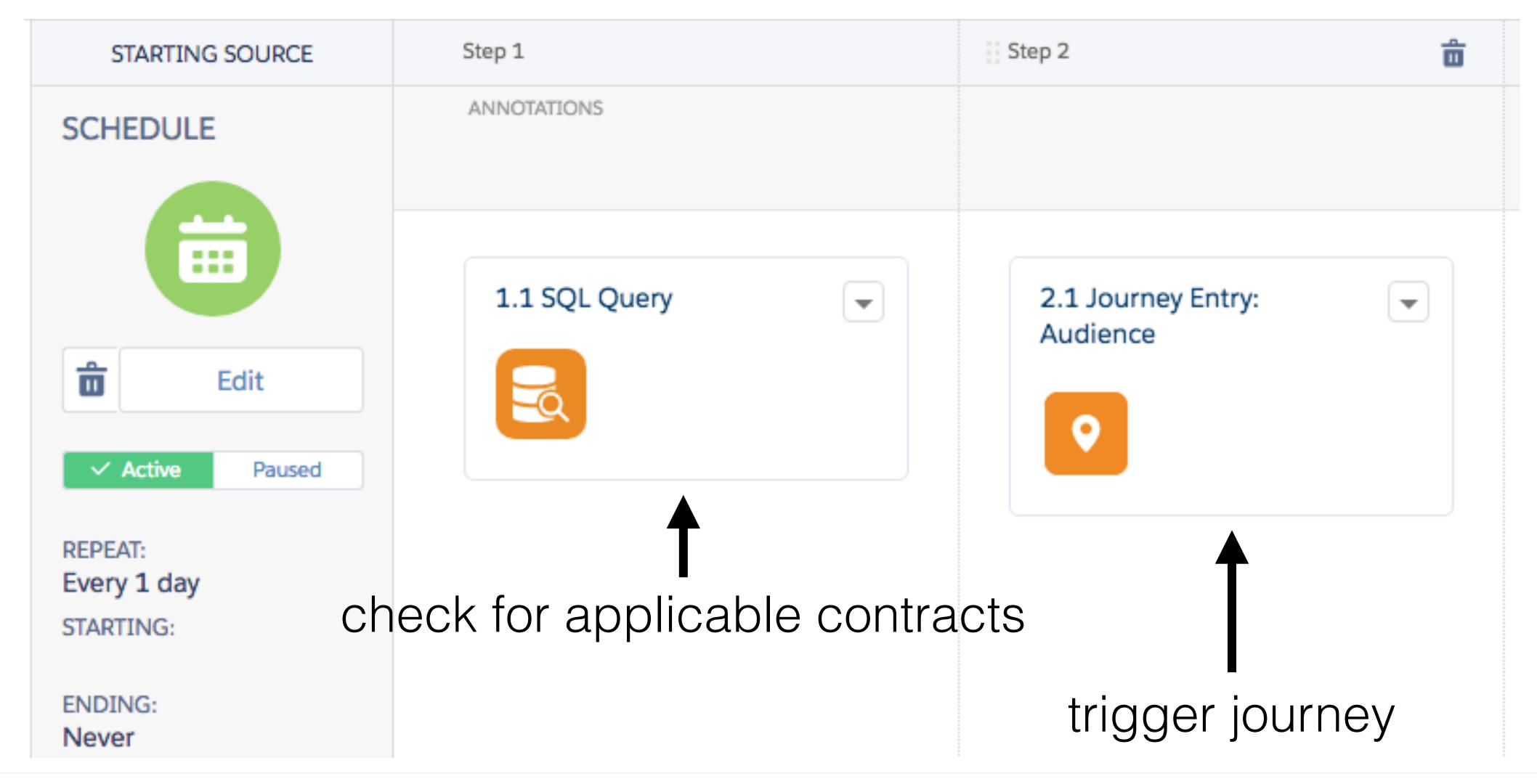
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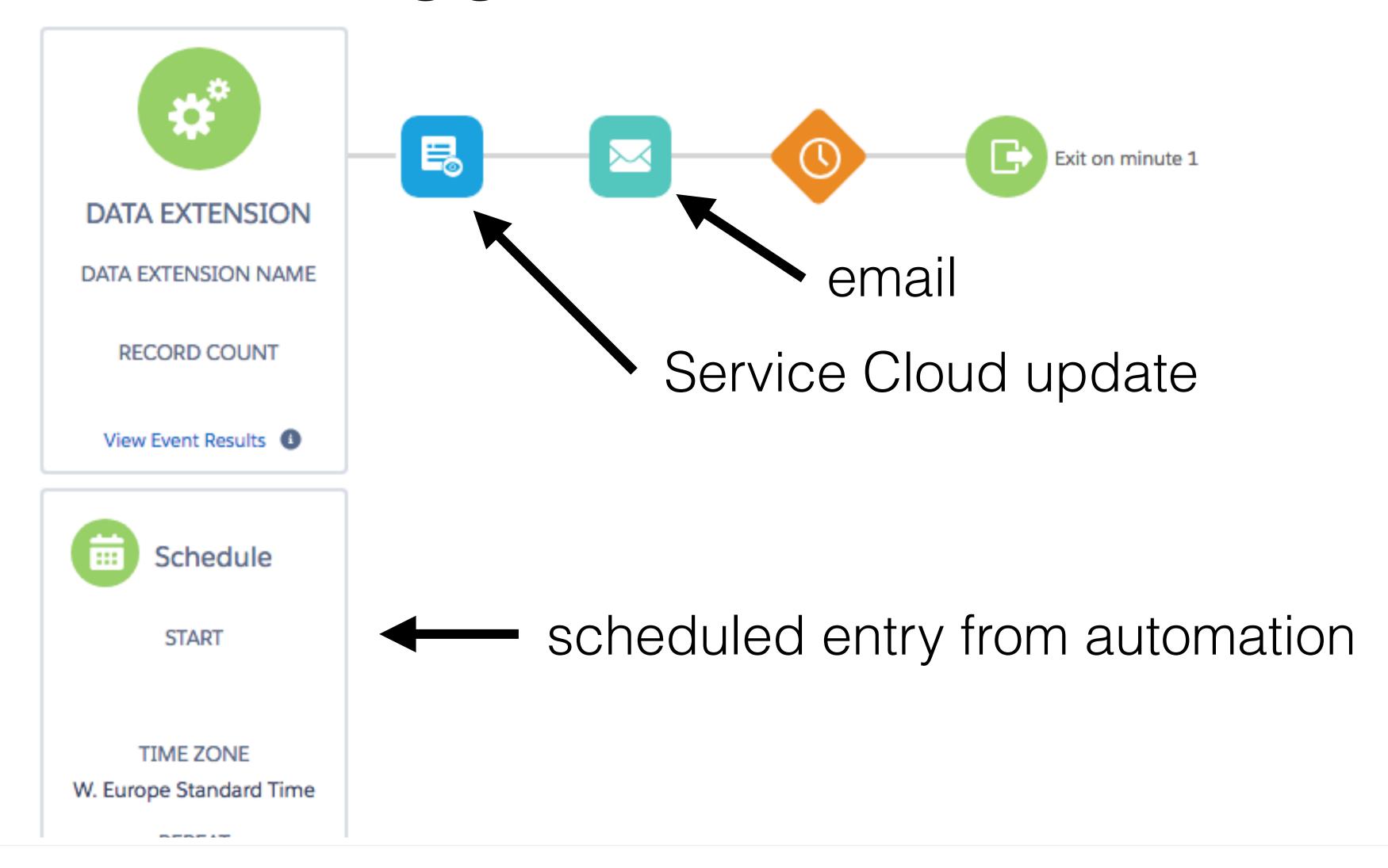
Automation Studio triggered Journey

- audience selection via scheduled SQL activity
- result of activity injected to journey
- possible use cases
 - scheduled reminders
 - specific info only relevant if some conditions are met

Improvement suggestion for active contract

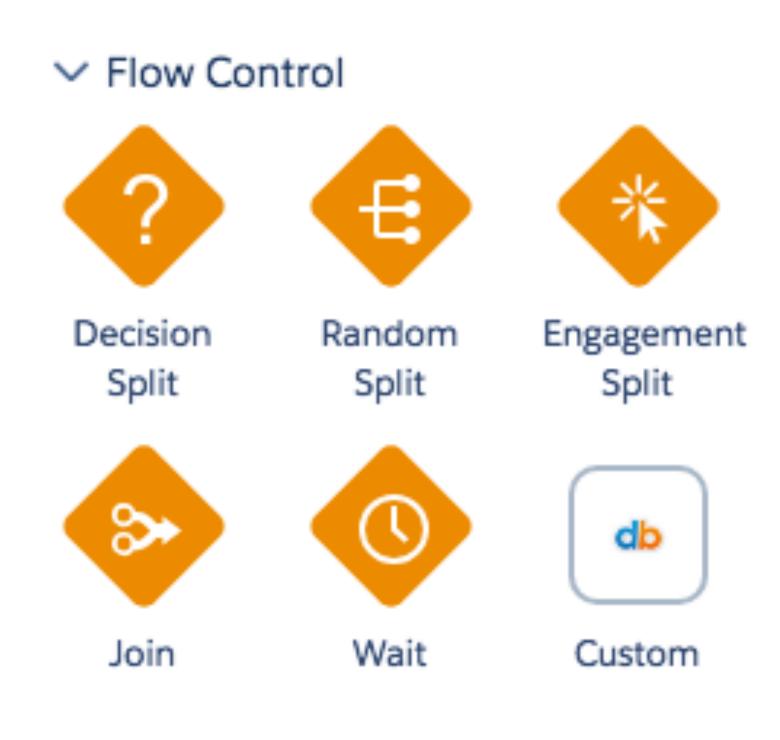


Improvement suggestion for active contract



Build next level journeys with custom activities

- more complex actions possible
- use external services (APIs)
- downsides
 - self-hosted
 - limited error handling & logging
 - limited documentation
- → github.com/mslabina/sfmcservicecloud-customsplit



Custom activity components

activity backend routes

save

publish

validate

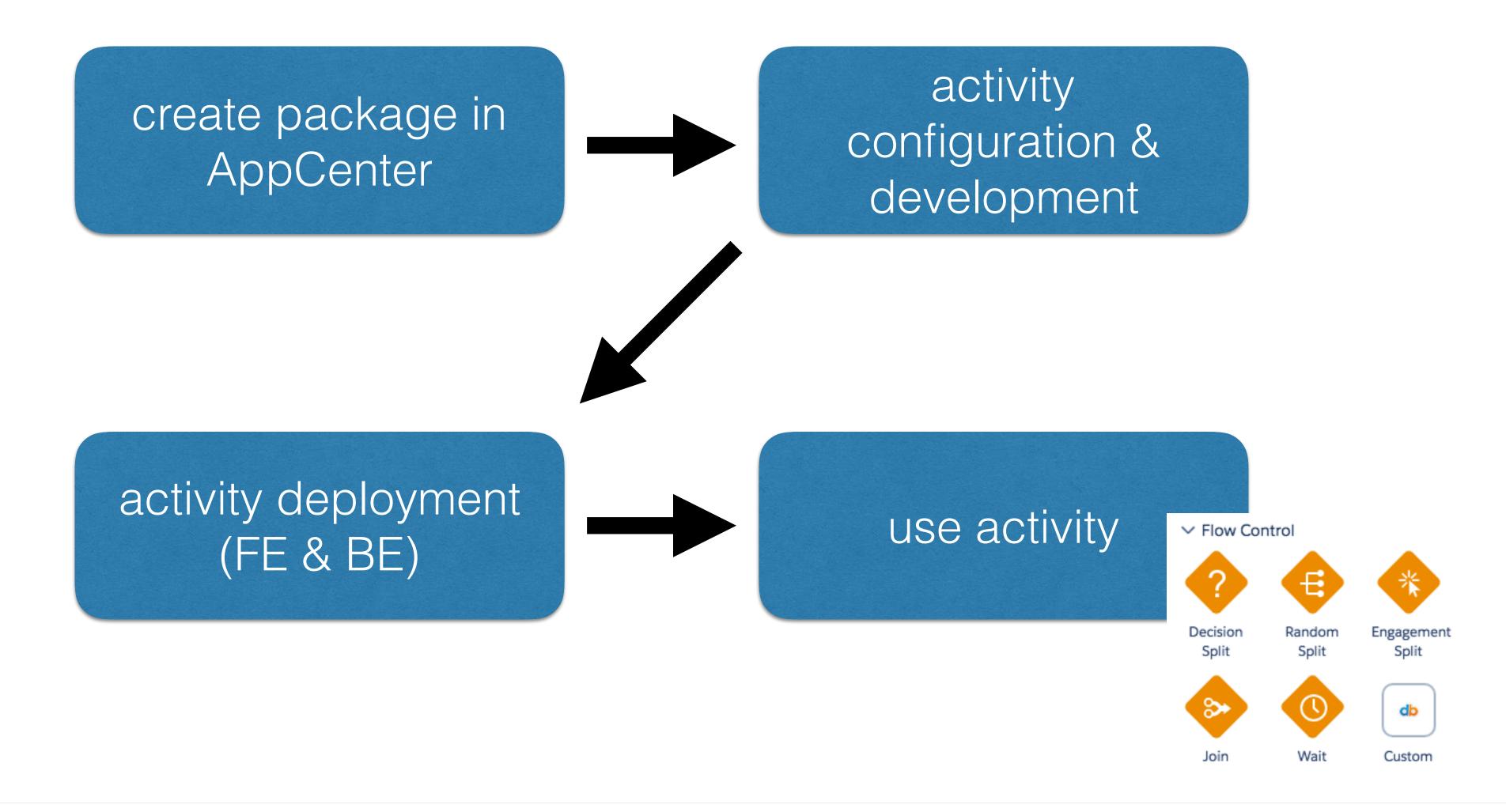
execute

configuration dialog (FE)

configuration file (JSON)

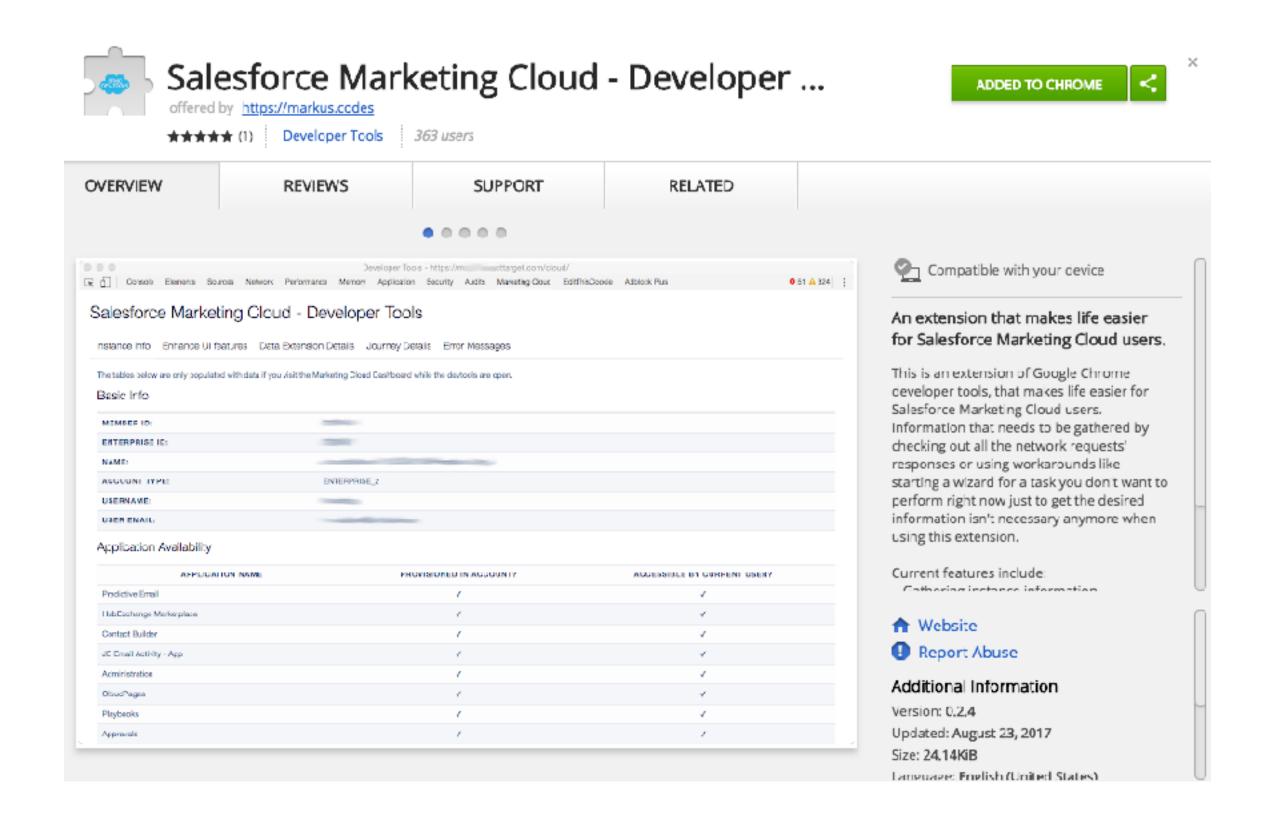
AppCenter package

Custom activity development



Salesforce Marketing Cloud Developer Tools

- free Google Chrome extension
- exposes hidden data
 - detailed error messages
 - publication list ids
 - journey details
 - data extension details
- recommended by MVPs
- markus.codes/sfmc-chrome-devtools



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