Hadoop Inspector

The Problem

- Data Science has a low-tolerance for data quality problems
- Data Science has a high frequency of data quality problems
- Hadoop administration continues to be difficult, expensive, and error prone

The Consequences

• Loss of credibility

prod>Databases

- Loss of algorithmic accuracy
- Loss of data scientist and analyst productivity
- Irreproducible findings
- Project failure or cancellation

The Solution: Hadoop Inspector

- Low-barrier-entry to writing tests
- Tests can be written in shell scripts, python, ruby, java
- Tests can include SQL, MapReduce, Spark
- Tests can integrate with ETL logs, external systems

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Sample Check Types

• Data Quality Checks:

- check uniqueness
- check foreign key reference
- check case
- check min and max value
- check min and max length
- check accessibility
- check type
- check required fields
- check unknown value
- check enumerated value
- check start_timestamp
- < stop_timestamp</pre>

• Data Consistency Checks

- check base vs summary table
- check peer tables
- check target vs source

• Data Management Checks:

- check statistics age
- check retention age
- check access
- check blocksize
- check file formats

Architecture

- Reusable and Flexible Plug-in Architecture
 - Phase One: Universal Plug-ins
 - checks are written in any language
 - runner passes run-time info to checks via env vars
 - checks pass results back to runner via stdout
 - Phase Two: SQL Plug-ins
 - checks are written as SQL
 - checks are a template that is filled-in by runner
 - Phase Three: Native Plug-ins
 - checks are written as Python modules
 - checks inherit from one another
 - runner imports plug-ins, has tight exception handling, logging, etc
- Check Results Database to support historical forensics and data annotation.
- Both rule and profiling checks
- Version-control-compatible checks and registry allowing test code to be managed with DDL.

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Roadmap

- 2015-10-01: Initial Release
- Runner: initial release
- Web Server: initial release
- 2015-11-01: Solidification
- 2015-12-01: Functionality
- Support for native-SQL checks
- Future

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