Data Observability

Technical Overview

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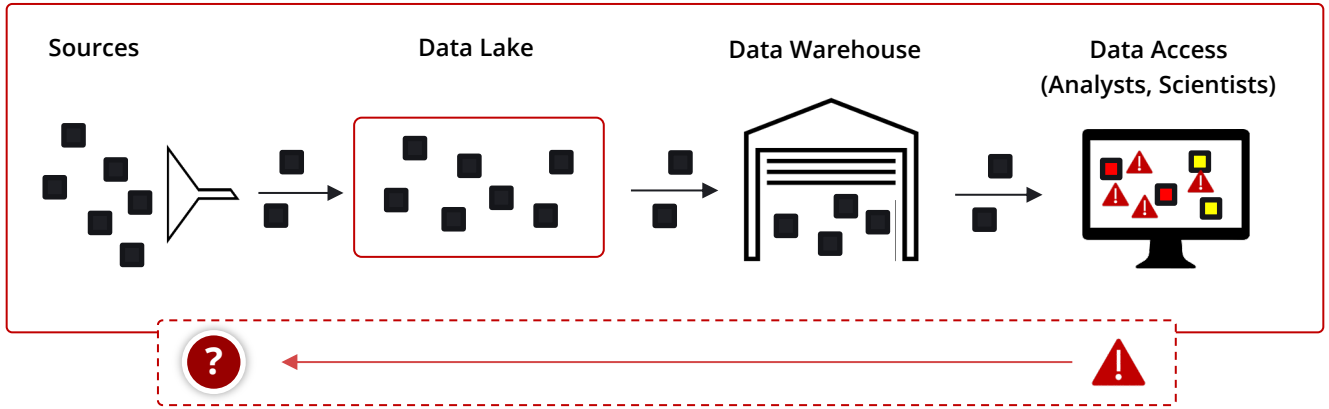
What is Data Observability?

Problem Statement

Data engineers are reactive to data issues



Many data quality issues are **overlooked**

Platform only learns about issues when **reported by data consumers**

After issues are reported, they **are not resolved quickly**

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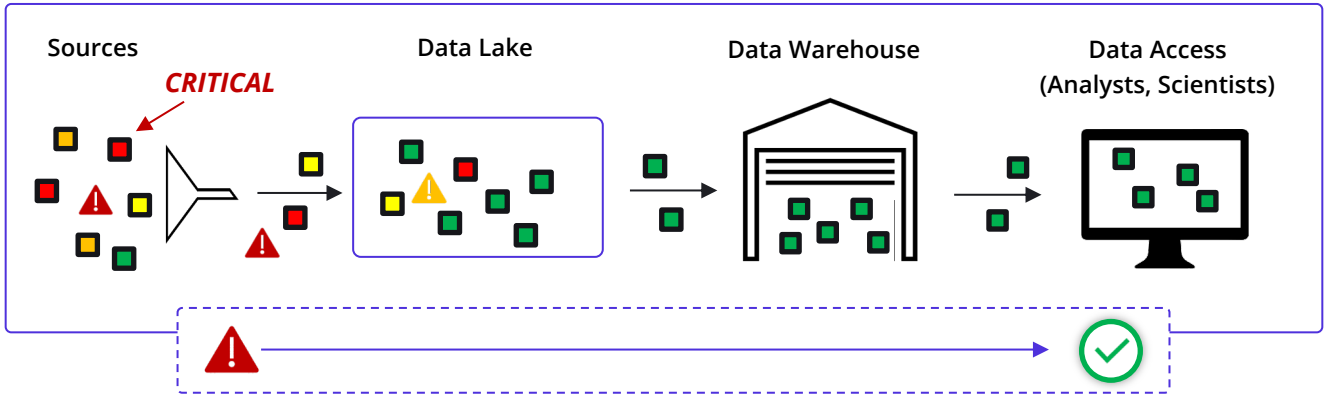
The root causes

- Fragmented toolchain
- Volume of data
- Flooding of noise

Our solution focuses on observing **data in motion**

Solution

Proactive Data Observability: ***Shift left*** *and solve problems at the source*



Improve **MTTD**

Discover issues in real time, early as ingest

Improve **MTTR**

Identify the cause of issues instantly

Improve data product **quality**

Enhance trust and consumer satisfaction

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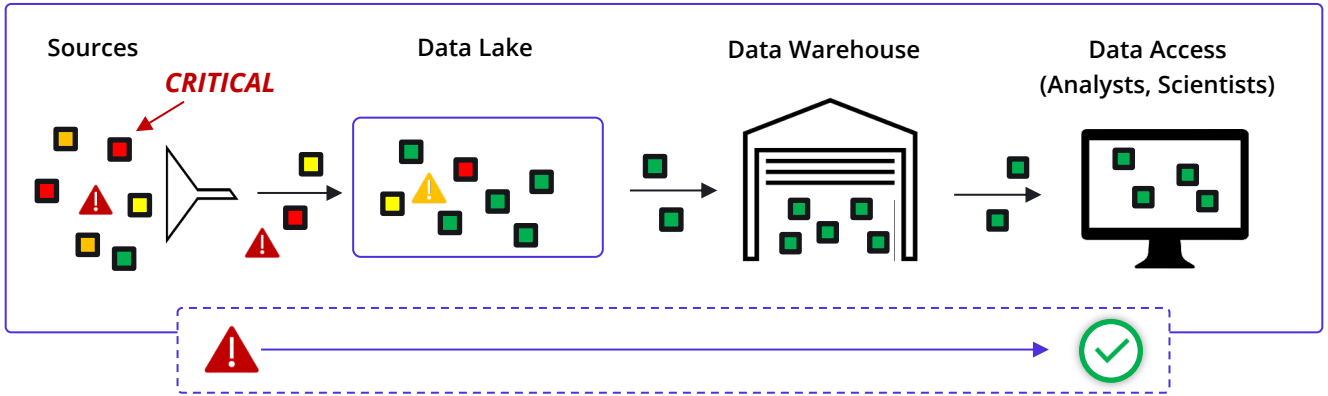


Databand focuses on observing **data in motion**

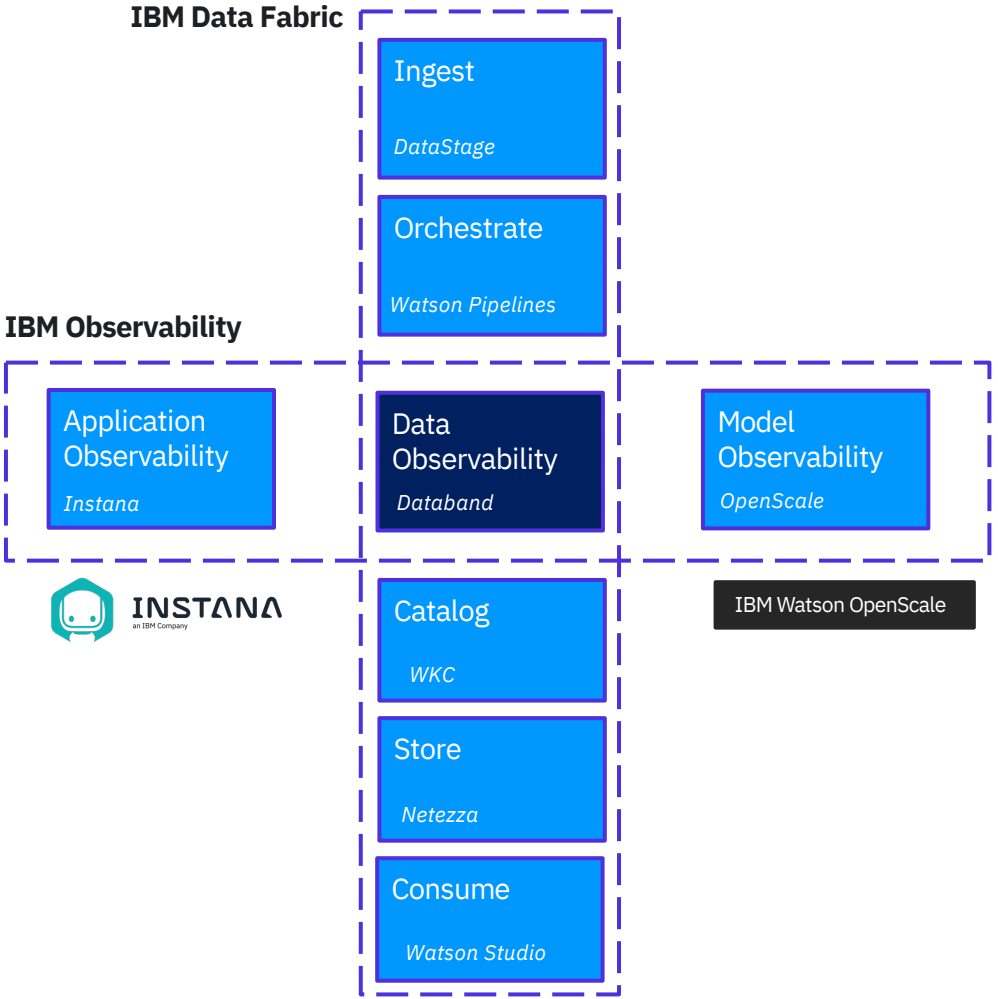
Observe data pipeline **process quality**
- Status
- Performance
- Latency

Observe **data quality and reliability**
- *Schema changes*
- *Data shape*
- *Data freshness*

Supported **data pipelines** and **workflow managers**
- *Airflow*: Python, Spark, dbt, SQL and other operators

The Databand bridges **two** of IBM's strategic directions, **IBM Data Fabric** and **IBM Observability**.

Bridging these strategies unlocks powerful new use cases for customers and growth for IBM.



Databand integration

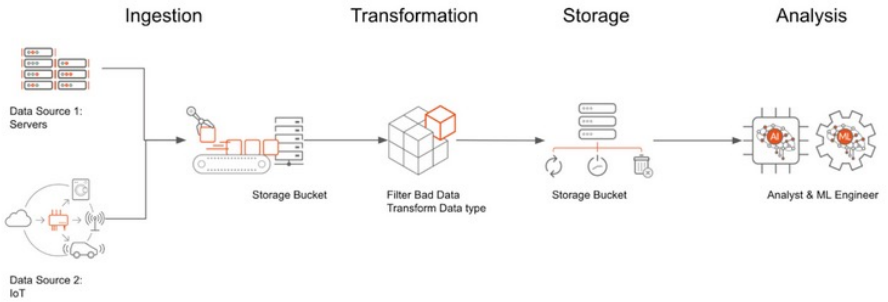
Pipeline implementation and deployment	Databand integration	Additional details
Spark	No code, optional SDK	Configuration in a Spark cluster – Databand provides a listener
Airflow (all pipelines)	No code for pipeline status, SDK for dataset monitoring	
Python, PySpark, Java, Scala without an workflow engine	SDK for pipeline status and dataset monitoring	
dbt	No code, optional SDK	Syncer for dbt Cloud for a no-code integration. Python SDK can be used to retrieve information about a specific job run
DataStage * (Q4)	No code	Supported for *DataStage Next Gen*

Data Pipelines and Workflow managers

Internal enablement

Data pipelines

- ***Data pipeline*** is a generic term that describes the process of moving data between data sources
    - While in most cases data pipelines performing ETL tasks, a data pipelines can move data without transformations
- Data pipelines can be implemented in a variety of programing languages, technologies, and tools
    1. Languages: *Python, Java, Scala, SQL*
    2. Technologies: *Spark*
    3. Tools: *dbt, DataStage, Azure Data Factory, AWS Data Pipeline, and others*



Workflow engines

- *Workflow* engines are used to orchestrate execution of tasks
  - Many types of workflows are supported by generic *operators*, not just ETL
    - Examples of workflows: ETL, MLOps, DevOps
- Examples of workflow engines
  - *Airflow, Azkaban, MLFlow, Kubeflow, Luigi,* and others
  - *Airflow* is one of the first and one of the most generic workflow engines

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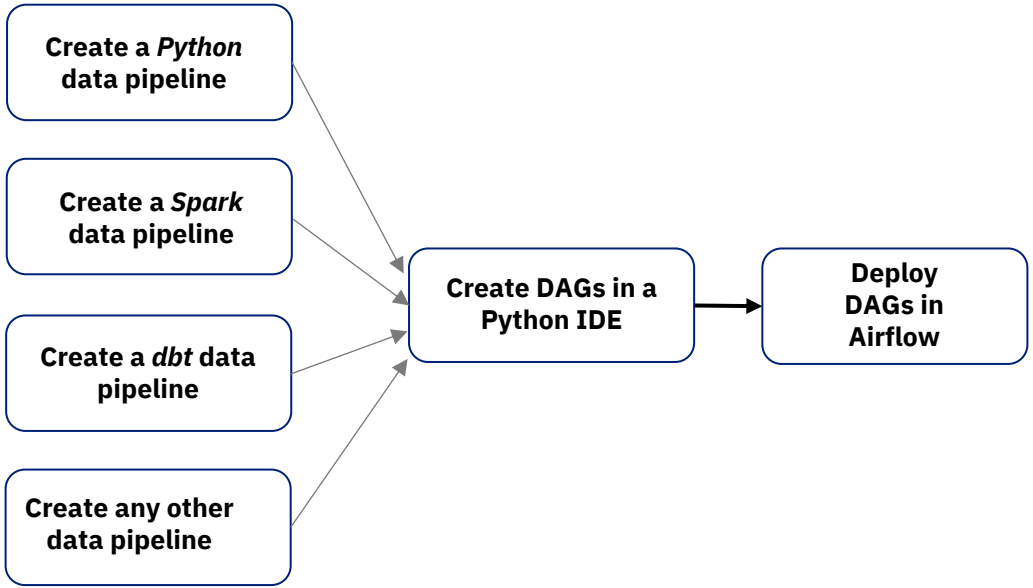
Apache Airflow

- Important concepts
  - *DAGs (*Directed Acyclic Graph)
    - A collection of the tasks in a job with relationships and dependencies
    - A DAG is defined in a Python script
  - *Operators*
    - Pre-built functions for frequently used tasks: Python, bash, SQL, and others
  - *Admin console*
    - Understand the features of the admin console

For Databand integration, all DAGS that we are discussing contain are ***data pipelines*** *(and not other types of pipelines)*

Development and deployment of data pipelines



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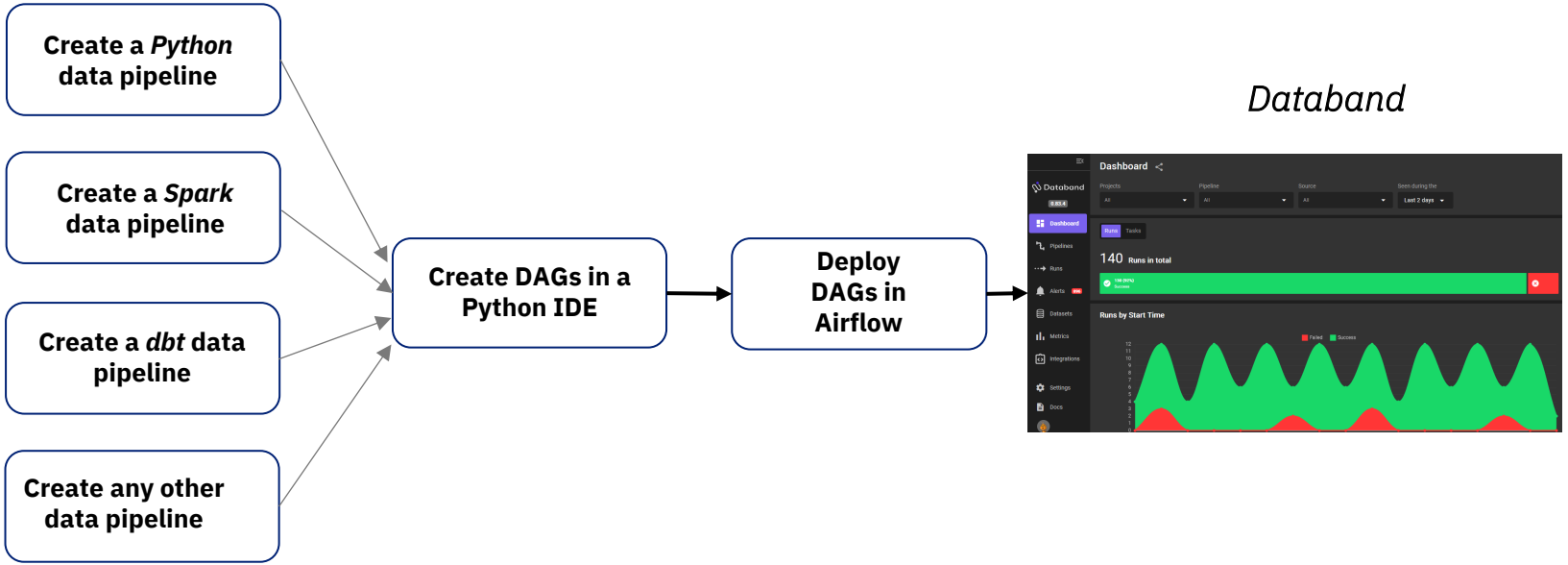

Development and deployment of data pipelines

Development and deployment of data pipelines

1

Create a *Python* data pipeline

Create a *Spark* data pipeline

Create a *dbt* data pipeline

Create any other data pipeline

Develop

2

Create DAGs in a Python IDE → Deploy DAGs in Airflow

and/or

Add Databand API

Develop

3

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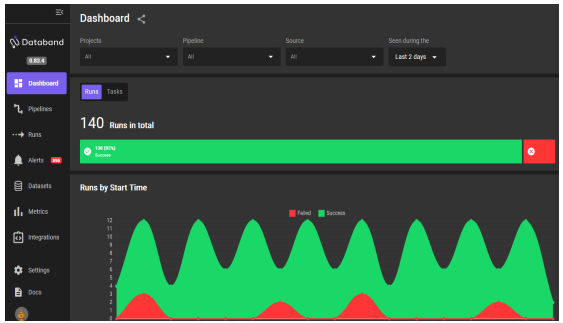

Monitor

The Databand.ai solution

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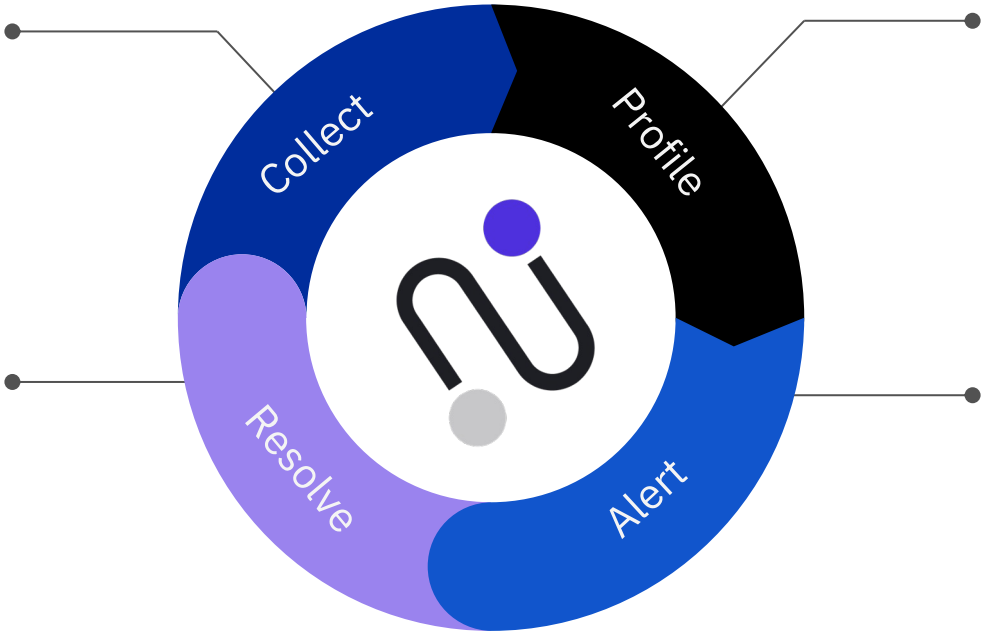
Automatically collect metadata
From key solutions in the modern data stack.



2
Build historical baseline
Based on common data pipeline behavior.

3
Alert on anomalies and rules
Based on deviations or breaches.

4
Resolve through automation
Create smart workflows to remediate data quality issues and keep SLAs on track.

Dashboard | Databand

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Incognito

Dashboard

Projects: All | Pipeline: All | Source: All | Seen during the: Last 2 days

98 Runs in total

90 (91%) Success

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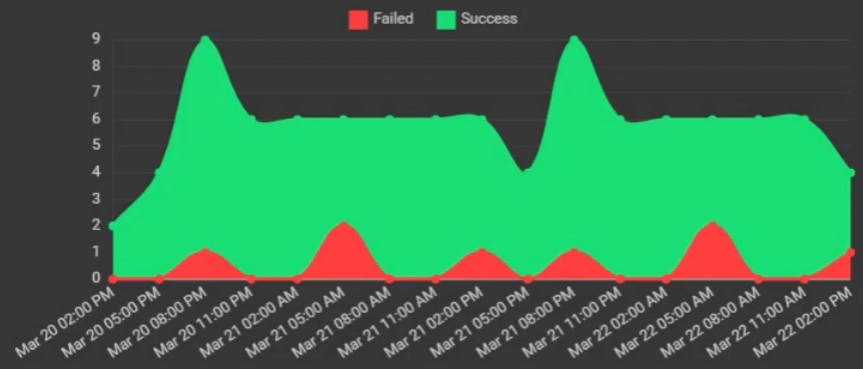
296 Task Runs

268 (90%) Success

Runs by Start Time



Tasks by Start Time

Top Errors

Reliability Dashboard

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Book a Demo!

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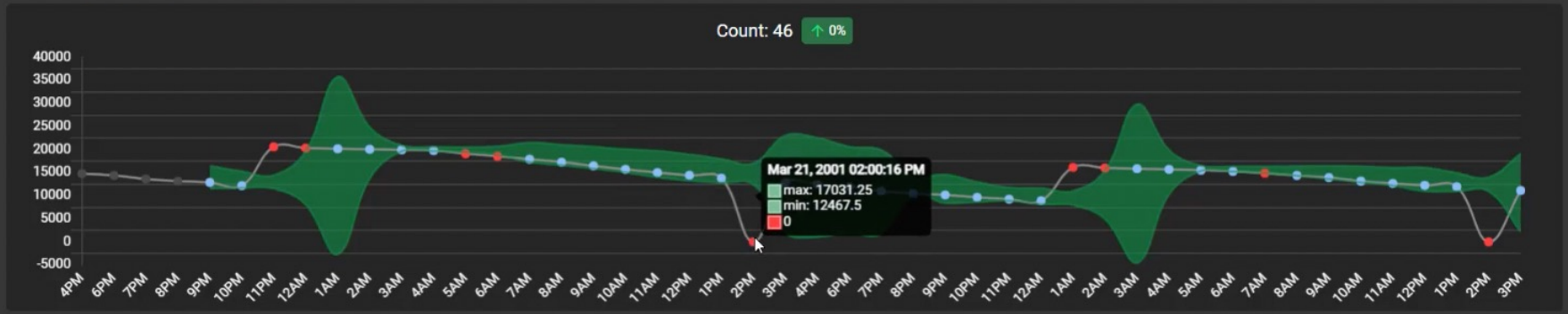
Metrics

Add New Metric

NYC 311 API_read_rows (get_hourly_data)

service_311_get_data > Service 311 databand-internal-sa-demo-af



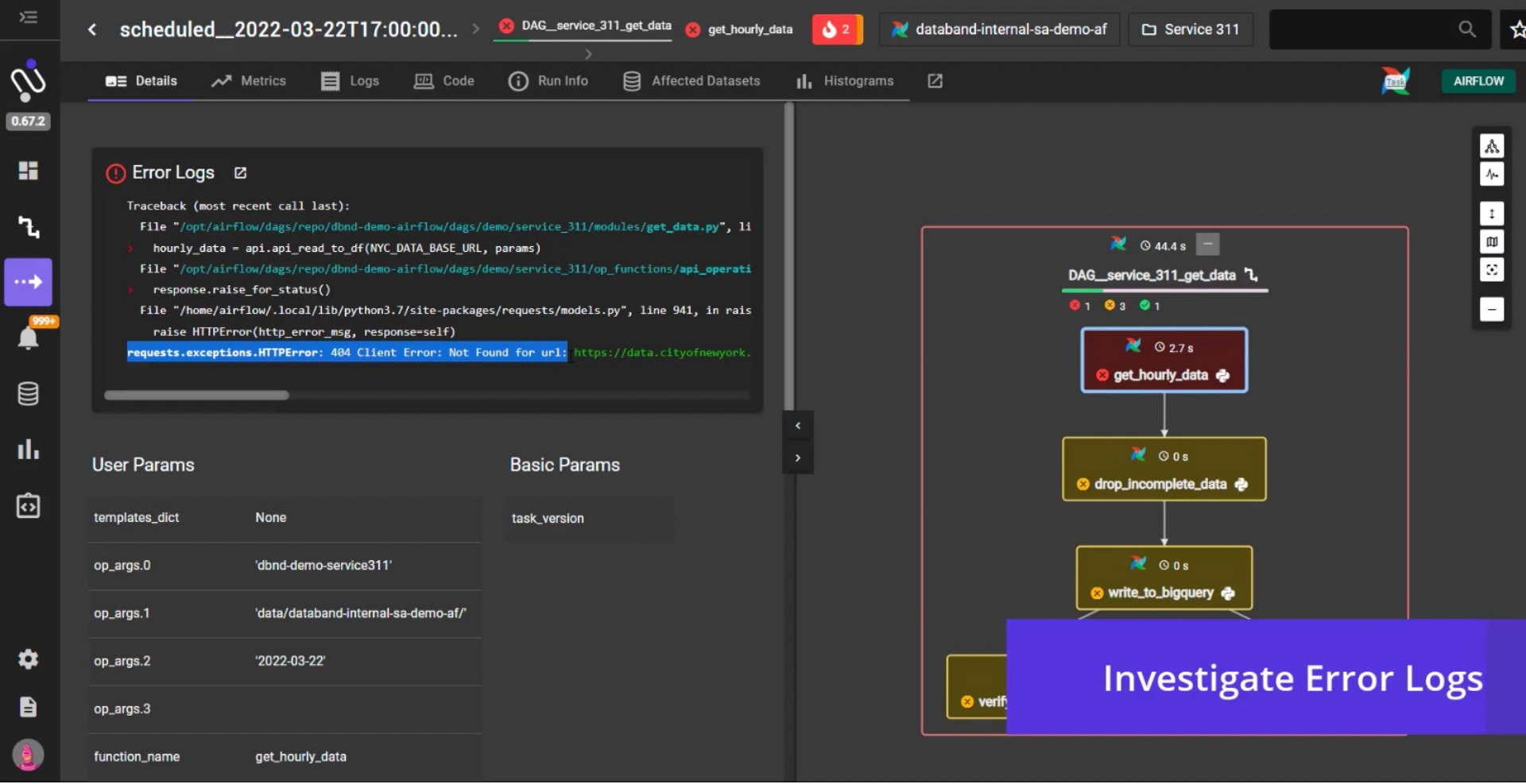
Last Active

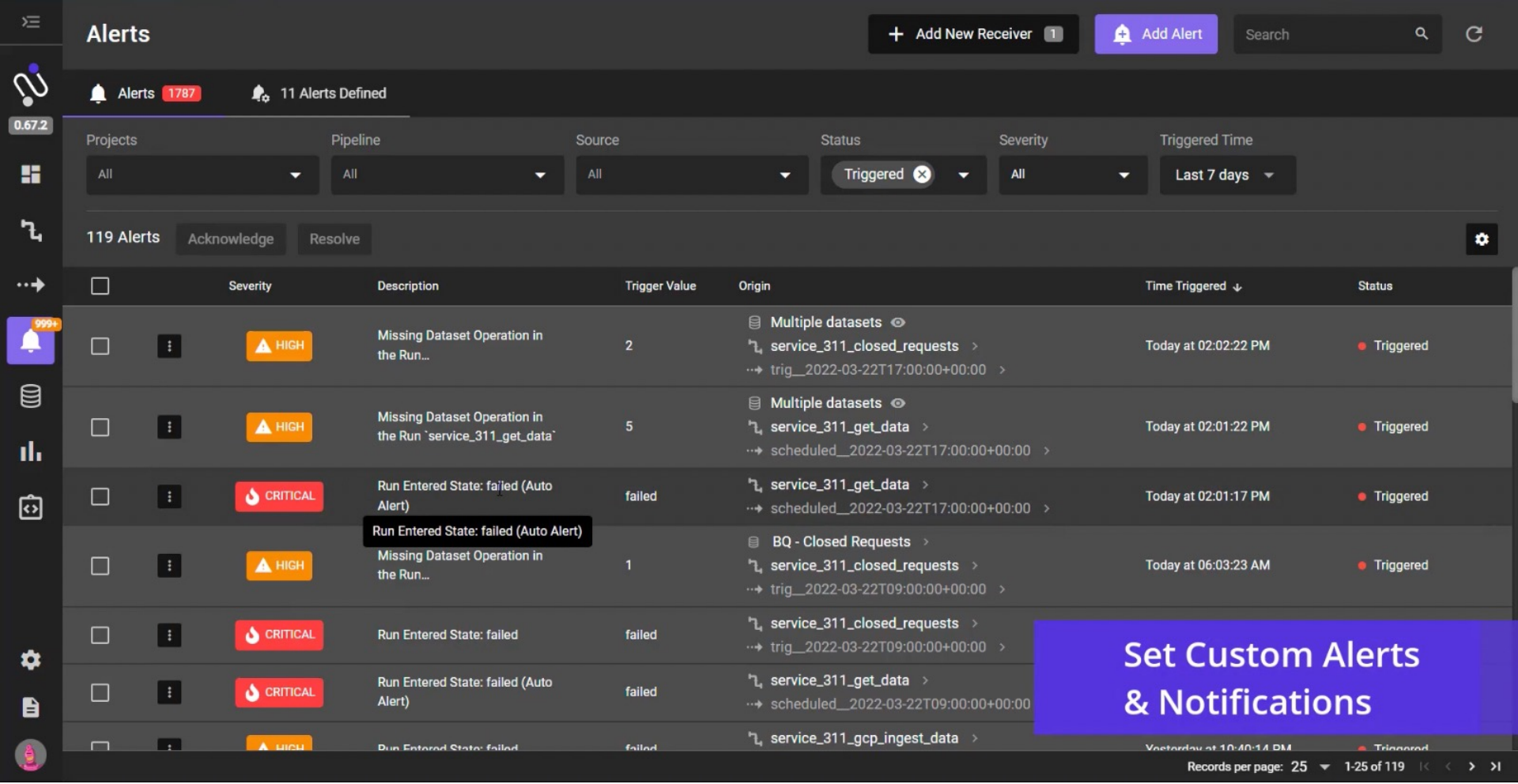
Runs Tasks

All runs

Status	Run name	Pipeline	Source	Project			
✓	trig__2022-03-22T18:00:00+00:00	service_311_closed_requests	Airflow	Service 311			
✓	scheduled__2022-03-22T18:00:00+00:00	service_311_get_data	Airflow	Service 311	1 m, 43 s	6	Today at 02:00:00 PM

Detect Data Anomalies


scheduled__2022-03-22T17:00:00...
DAG__service_311_get_data
get_hourly_data
2
databand-internal-sa-demo-af
Service 311
Details
Metrics
Logs
Code
Run Info
Affected Datasets
Histograms
AIRFLOW
0.67.2
999+
Error Logs
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "/opt/airflow/dags/repo/dbnd-demo-airflow/dags/demo/service_311/modules/get_data.py", li
hourly_data = api.api_read_to_df(NYC_DATA_BASE_URL, params)
File "/opt/airflow/dags/repo/dbnd-demo-airflow/dags/demo/service_311/op_functions/api_operati
response.raise_for_status()
File "/home/airflow/.local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/requests/models.py", line 941, in rais
raise HTTPError(http_error_msg, response=self)
requests.exceptions.HTTPError: 404 Client Error: Not Found for url: https://data.cityofnewyork.
User Params
templates_dict None
op_args.0 'dbnd-demo-service311'
op_args.1 'data/databand-internal-sa-demo-af/'
op_args.2 '2022-03-22'
op_args.3
function_name get_hourly_data
Basic Params
task_version
44.4 s
DAG__service_311_get_data
1 3 1
2.7 s
get_hourly_data
0 s
drop_incomplete_data
0 s
write_to_bigquery
Investigate Error Logs


Alerts
Add New Receiver 1
Add Alert
Search
Alerts 1787
11 Alerts Defined
Projects
All
Pipeline
All
Source
All
Status
Triggered
Severity
All
Triggered Time
Last 7 days
119 Alerts
Acknowledge
Resolve
Severity
Description
Trigger Value
Origin
Time Triggered
Status
HIGH
Missing Dataset Operation in the Run...
2
Multiple datasets
service_311_closed_requests
trig__2022-03-22T17:00:00+00:00
Today at 02:02:22 PM
Triggered
HIGH
Missing Dataset Operation in the Run `service_311_get_data`
5
Multiple datasets
service_311_get_data
scheduled__2022-03-22T17:00:00+00:00
Today at 02:01:22 PM
Triggered
CRITICAL
Run Entered State: failed (Auto Alert)
failed
service_311_get_data
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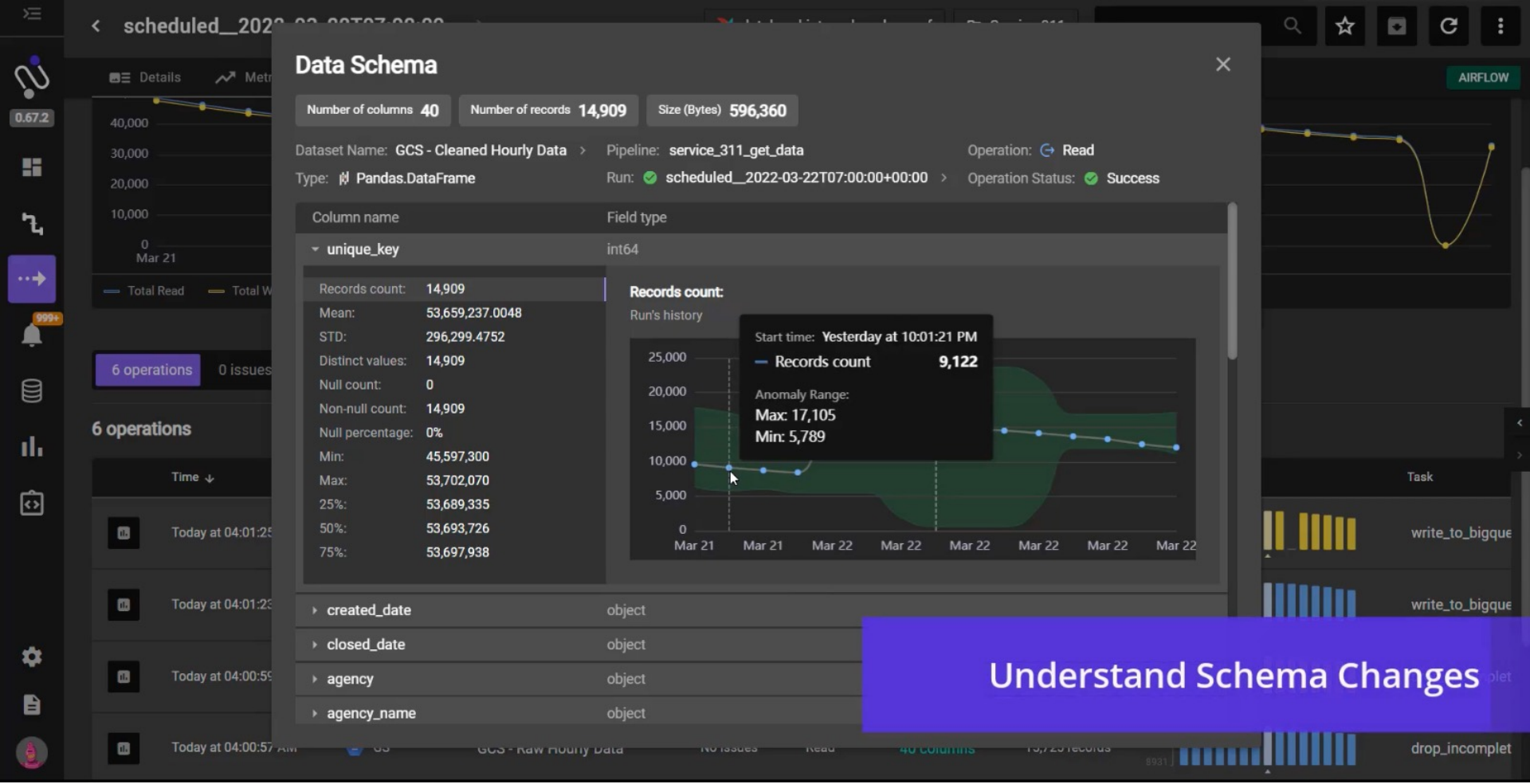
Today at 02:01:17 PM
Triggered
Run Entered State: failed (Auto Alert)
HIGH
Missing Dataset Operation in the Run...
1
BQ - Closed Requests
service_311_closed_requests
trig__2022-03-22T09:00:00+00:00
Today at 06:03:23 AM
Triggered
CRITICAL
Run Entered State: failed
failed
service_311_closed_requests
trig__2022-03-22T09:00:00+00:00
CRITICAL
Run Entered State: failed (Auto Alert)
failed
service_311_get_data
scheduled__2022-03-22T09:00:00+00:00
service_311_gcp_ingest_data
Records per page: 25
1-25 of 119
Set Custom Alerts & Notifications


Data Schema
Number of columns 40
Number of records 14,909
Size (Bytes) 596,360
Dataset Name: GCS - Cleaned Hourly Data
Pipeline: service_311_get_data
Operation: Read
Type: Pandas.DataFrame
Run: scheduled__2022-03-22T07:00:00+00:00
Operation Status: Success
Column name
Field type
unique_key
int64
Records count: 14,909
Mean: 53,659,237.0048
STD: 296,299.4752
Distinct values: 14,909
Null count: 0
Non-null count: 14,909
Null percentage: 0%
Min: 45,597,300
Max: 53,702,070
25%: 53,689,335
50%: 53,693,726
75%: 53,697,938
Records count:
Run's history
Start time: Yesterday at 10:01:21 PM
Records count 9,122
Anomaly Range:
Max: 17,105
Min: 5,789
created_date
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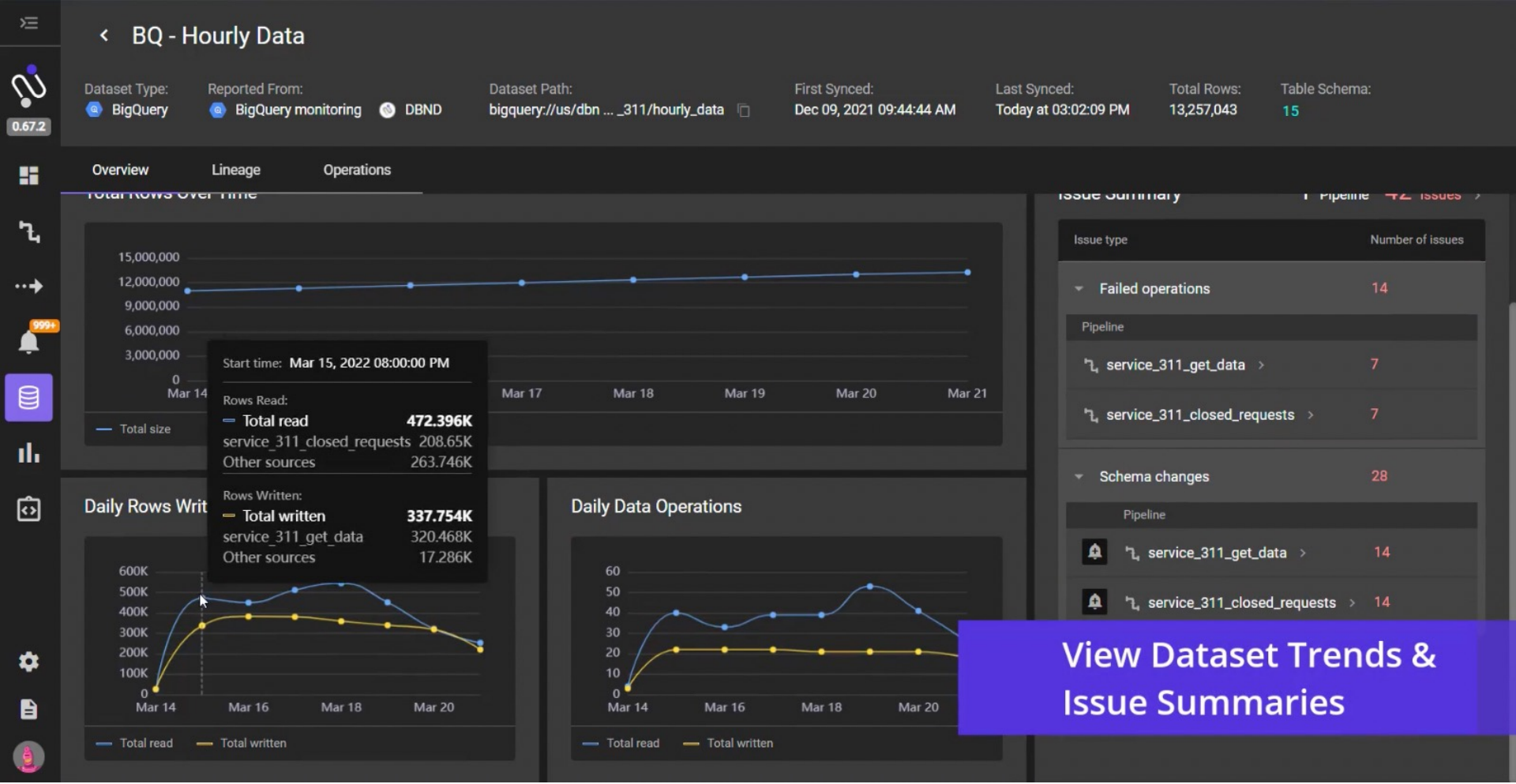
Understand Schema Changes


BQ - Hourly Data
Dataset Type: BigQuery
Reported From: BigQuery monitoring DBND
Dataset Path: bigquery://us/dbn ... _311/hourly_data
First Synced: Dec 09, 2021 09:44:44 AM
Last Synced: Today at 03:02:09 PM
Total Rows: 13,257,043
Table Schema: 15
Overview
Lineage
Operations
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3,000,000
0
Mar 14
Mar 17
Mar 18
Mar 19
Mar 20
Mar 21
Total size
Start time: Mar 15, 2022 08:00:00 PM
Rows Read:
Total read 472.396K
service_311_closed_requests 208.65K
Other sources 263.746K
Rows Written:
Total written 337.754K
service_311_get_data 320.468K
Other sources 17.286K
Daily Rows Writ
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Issue Summary
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Issue type
Number of issues
Failed operations 14
Pipeline
service_311_get_data 7
service_311_closed_requests 7
Schema changes 28
Pipeline
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service_311_closed_requests 14
View Dataset Trends & Issue Summaries