




Required capabilities for enterprise-scale data quality and observability




Data teams are often constrained by manual rule writing and management, with limited data coverage and a siloed view of data quality. To make things worse, data producers and data consumers often operate in silos and are unable to identify the opportunities to improve data quality in a business context. As a result, organizations lack an enterprise data quality foundation to respond to regulatory, analytics and AI demands in a scalable and cost-efficient way. Organizations need an enterprise-scale data quality and observability solution that:


- Auto-discovers issues in data without requiring domain experts and rule writers
- Scales data quality across large and diverse databases, files, and streaming data
- Automatically uncovers data drift, outliers, patterns and schema changes
- Reduces the risk and cost of data migrations via robust data reconciliation
- Puts business users at the forefront of building data trust via self-service data quality
- Traces data movement and helps data quality teams narrow the focus of root cause investigations
- Initiates remediation workflows with the right data owners and data stewards
- Focuses data quality efforts on business-critical data for maximum impact

Required capabilities	Features	Collibra	Other vendors
 <p>Auto discovery to figure out issues in your data without requiring domain experts and rule writers</p>	Associative ML-driven, autogenerated, SQL-based, non-proprietary, explainable and adaptive data quality rules	● Yes	● No
	Automatically put all or select columns under quality control including null checks, empty checks, statistical profiles, variance analysis and sketches	● Yes	● No
	Automated rules engine to design, create and deploy business rules for specific data values both in batch or real-time mode	● Yes	● No
	Automated rule inference and generation for a single attribute, for example, inferring that a social security number is always numeric and has nine digits	● Yes	● No
	Automated rule inference and generation for multiple attributes, for example, inferring that a start date occurs before the end date	● Yes	● No
	Utilize machine learning to automatically find exact and similar matches in data records	● Yes	● Yes
	Configure and customize the algorithms for matching, merging, linking and de-duplication	● Limited	● Yes
	Ability to write custom rules for simple and complex scenarios	● Yes	● Yes

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 <p data-bbox="126 443 350 541">Horizontal and vertical scalability for establishing enterprise-wide trust in data</p>	Scan large and diverse databases, files and streaming data with Spark-based parallel processing	● Yes	● Limited
	Native connectors to a vast variety of data sources and systems for easy data source registration and metadata ingestion	● Yes	● Yes
	Deliver suitable throughput and response times to satisfy performance SLAs in both batch and real-time modes	● Yes	● Limited
	Scan data where it resides (at the edge site), without needing to move or extract the data	● Yes	● Limited
	Profile data outside of data sources by extracting and importing the data into the data quality solution or third-party repositories such as Hadoop	● Yes	● Yes
	Connect to the existing stack quickly (REST APIs) with no need to modify pipelines or write new code	● Yes	● Limited
	Apply data quality functions against real-time data streams (e.g., securities trading data and telematics)	● Yes	● Limited
 <p data-bbox="126 1146 363 1245">Time series anomaly detection for end-to-end data observability across pipelines</p>	Automatically detect behaviors (drift and shift) i.e. if any column, schema or cell value has suddenly broken its past trend	● Yes	● Limited
	Automatically detect numeric/categorical outliers and patterns such as cross-column correlations and anomalies	● Yes	● Limited
	Automatic schema change detection i.e. if data fields, columns and data types are added, removed or changed	● Yes	● Limited
	Profile data sets and provide metrics on actual and inferred data types, minimum and maximum values, value frequencies, null value counts and unique values	● Yes	● Yes
	Profiling to provide descriptive statistics about the current run overlaid with the past runs for trend analysis	● Yes	● Limited
	Unsupervised anomaly detection model for datasets without any predefined normalcy values	● Yes	● No

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 <p>Robust data reconciliation to reduce the risk and cost of data migrations</p>	Automatically validate the source and target dataset in timeline snapshots	● Yes	● Limited
	Data profiling and cataloging on the source systems to understand the quality of data on the source system	● Yes	● Yes
	Continuously monitor data movement and automate data quality checks at every point in the DataOps journey to build high quality data pipelines and data products	● Yes	● Limited
	Identify missing records, values and broken relationships across tables or systems as you move data	● Yes	● Limited
	Reconcile data between two data objects on a record by record and attribute by attribute basis to validate that data has been replicated accurately	● Yes	● Limited
 <p>Self-service data quality to put business users at the forefront of building data trust</p>	A unified DQ scoring system across files, databases, data warehouses and data lakes, providing a single pane of glass for DQ across all data sources	● Yes	● No
	Personal alerts to proactively identify and assign the data quality issues, putting business users in charge of data quality	● Yes	● Limited
	Democratize data quality for all technical and business users to proactively identify and assign the data quality issues	● Yes	● Limited
	Out-of-the-box and customizable reporting templates and dashboards (by industry, business lines, and users) to gain insight into data quality	● Yes	● Yes
	Interactive reports, scorecards and dashboards to help business and IT users identify, understand and monitor data quality issues	● Yes	● Limited
 <p>Enterprise data governance to build trust and compliance</p>	Certification of any data assets, such as data sets, reports, tables, columns and policies, to establish trust and confidence	● Yes	● No
	Business glossaries for standardized definitions of business terms, rules and regulations, linked to technical metadata	● Yes	● Limited
	Capture, reconcile and interoperate metadata relating to the data quality processes to unite data creators and data consumers	● Yes	● Yes
	Centralized policy management to create, maintain and implement policies and compliance across the enterprise	● Yes	● Limited
	Reference data management to reconcile data between systems for more accurate analysis and reporting	● Yes	● Yes
	Share data quality metrics with governance and analytics applications through direct integration or APIs	● Yes	● Yes

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 <p>Business-driven, collaborative workflows to resolve data quality issues faster</p>	Rate and comment on any data asset to provide crowdsourced context and feedback	● Yes	● Limited
	Collaboration for end-users to down-train, annotate and audit each DQ item	● Yes	● Limited
	Continuously monitor data objects for violations of business rules, generate alerts and initiate remediation workflows with the right data owners	● Yes	● Limited
	Platform extensions (including mobile and desktop applications) to drive adoption by delivering approved content to users where and when they need it most	● Yes	● Limited
	Enable business users to easily identify, quarantine, assign, escalate and resolve data quality issues	● Yes	● Limited
	Conditional execution of profiles for root cause analysis, for example, a profile on a production table is only run when a data quality issue is detected while loading a data warehouse	● Limited	● Limited
 <p>End-to-end data lineage to prioritize data quality issues by business impact</p>	Native, automated and detailed technical lineage at the table, column, transformation and SQL query level	● Yes	● No
	Auto-linking of technical metadata, business terms and concepts, policies and processes to add business context at scale	● Yes	● Limited
	End-to-end business lineage to trace data flows from source to report, helping teams narrow the focus of root cause investigations	● Yes	● Limited
	Capture data lineage to allow business and IT users to view changes made to data using data quality processes, for example, which upstream sources and downstream assets were impacted	● Yes	● Limited
 <p>Enterprise data catalog to focus data quality efforts on business-critical data</p>	Automatically classify physical data and add business context at scale	● Yes	● No
	Detect sensitive information (including PII, PHI) automatically across the data landscape	● Yes	● Limited
	Gain visibility into all data assets with full business context, helping business users to easily discover and understand data	● Yes	● Limited
	Data profiling statistics displayed for each data set, table and column, along with relationships	● Yes	● Yes
	Connect business context of critical data elements with data quality issues	● Yes	● Limited

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 <p>Architected for secure, enterprise-wide adoption to implement a robust data strategy</p>	Federated, flexible operating model that adapts the data strategy to meet the unique needs of any department or business	● Yes	● No
	Role-based permissioning to control users' access to data assets, resources and capabilities	● Yes	● Yes
	Multi-tenancy security, compliance and privacy approaches with enterprise-level standards, such as SAML single sign-on, LDAP integration and role-based access management and encryption	● Yes	● Yes
	SaaS cloud offering for a scalable, accessible and resilient solution	● Yes	● Yes
	FedRamp authorized for secure cloud deployment at government agencies	● Yes	● Limited
	One single platform to enable a robust data strategy	● Yes	● Limited
	Certified APIs to allow interoperability of data quality processes or tasks with other data management tools or applications	● Yes	● Yes

Data quality is core to data intelligence

