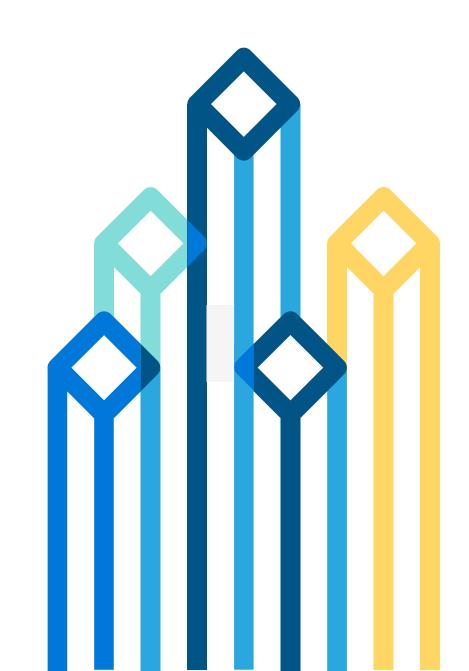
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# Leveraging Predictive Tools to Decrease Resolution Time

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# The Value of Hadoop...

### One place for unlimited data

- All types
- More sources
- Faster, larger ingestion

### Unified, multi-framework data access

- More users
- More tools
- Faster changes

# The Cloudera Value Chain

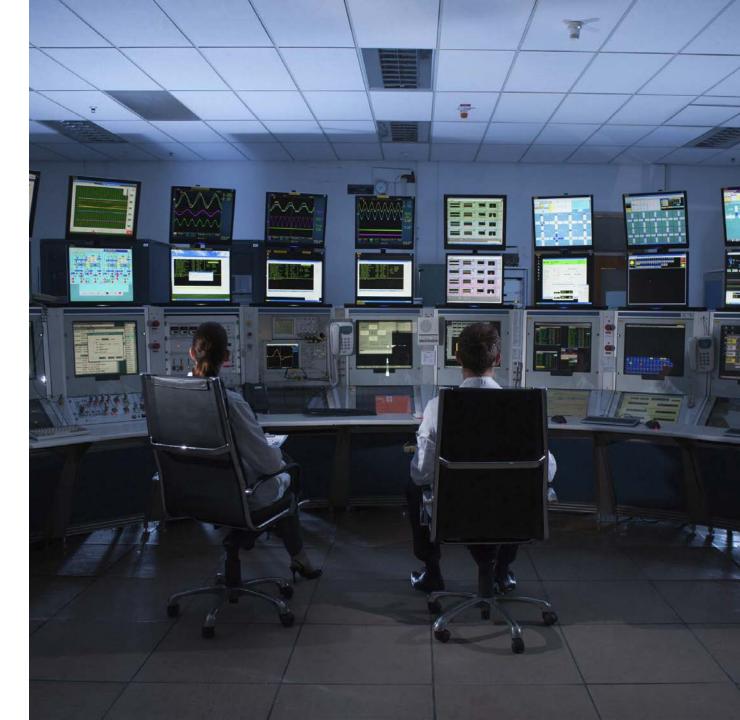


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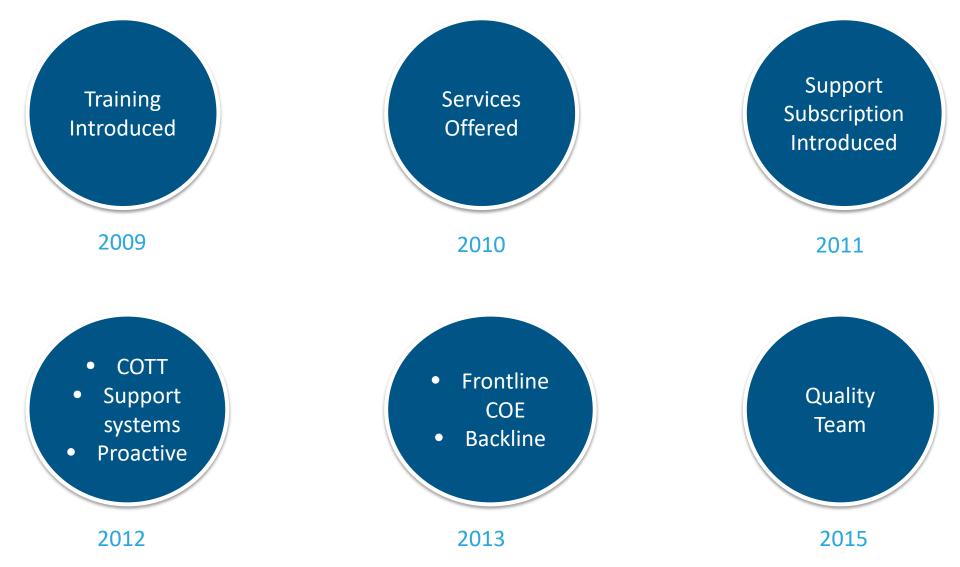
Supporting our product is **complex** 

Issues can be related or root cause might not be the same

Looking for ways to work globally at scale as company continues to grow



### Support Team History



## Enterprise grade customer support





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# Where are we?

#### Global time zone coverage

- EST (Raleigh)
- MST (Denver)
- CST (Austin)
- PST (Phoenix & Palo Alto)
- AEDT (Melbourne)
- IST (Chennai)
- JST (Tokyo)
- CST (Shanghai)
- GMT (London)
- CET (Budapest)



# Structuring Predictive Support

How we integrated predictive support capabilities into our support organization

# The Support Tools Team

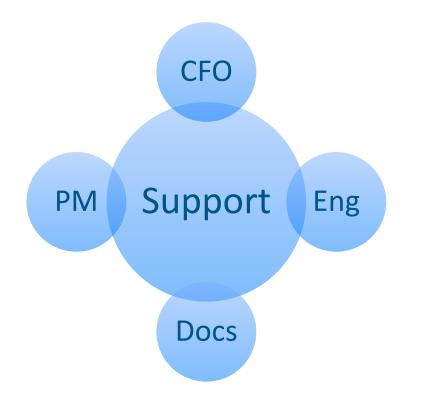
Mission Statement: Build data driven software that reduces our time to solve on support cases while increasing customer satisfaction

### **Key Metrics**

- Decrease Time to Solve
- Increase Support Rep Throughput
- Increase Case Deflection
- Improve Support Margins



# Data Driven Support Changed the Game



Support organizations are one of the largest data drivers in any organization

Support becoming data-driven at Cloudera has been critical to establishing internal credibility at the exec table

# We dogfood



# Diagnostic Tooling – What Does This Buy Us?

### Lowers Time to Resolution

### Improves our relationship with Engineering

Improves moral of Support Engineers



Customer cases leveraging the Cloudera Diagnostic Tools demonstrated an approximate 35% drop in time to resolution.



# **Predictive Support**

Larger gains through case deflection possible with predictive support

Identifying known issues from diagnostic data

Notifying and working with the customer towards a solution to their problem



# **Proactive Support**







#### **Onboard Process**

We start our partnership at the very beginning by walking you through how things work

#### **Predictive Validations**

Powerful predictive alert system creates support tickets on behalf of our customers to help avoid known issues before they happen

#### **Health Check**

An early warning system which looks at key indicators that represents the health of our relationship with each customer

# Over 15% of support cases are deflected by Cloudera Support's predictive support system.



# Building Predictive Support

Step 1: Team Building



# **Team building**

# Create a clear and measurable mission statement

Hire 2-3 qualified engineers to prove the concept

Understand your customer – in this case, that's the supporters

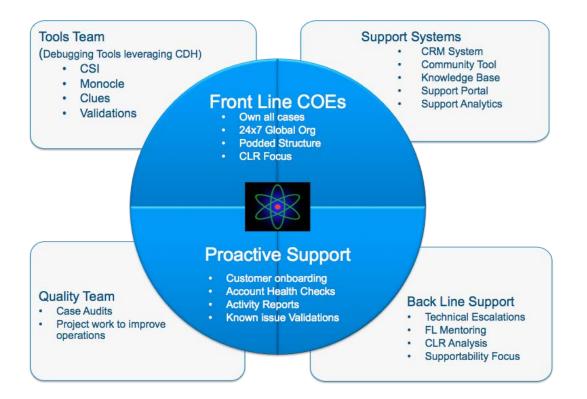


# Keeping the Tools Team close

The tools team was kept close to the full time support engineers

Support engineers provide the feedback loop that allows us to build these applications

Looking for ways to work **at scale** as company continues to grow



# Building Predictive Support

Step 2: Data Collection



# Collect all the data



Support case interactions generates valuable support information

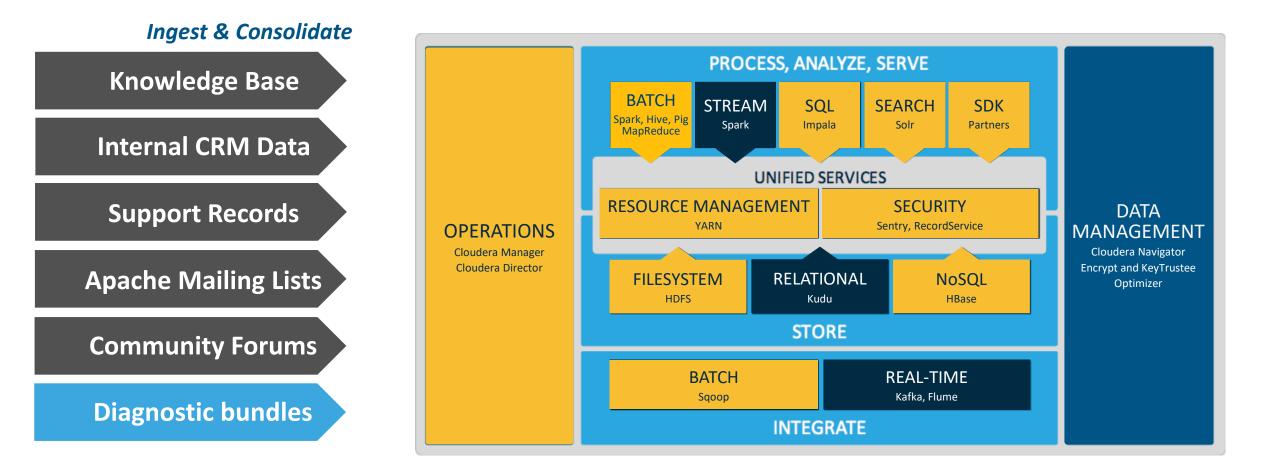


Troubleshooting sessions generate information about data relevant to solving a specific issue



Customer installs generate diagnostic data critical to support

## Data sources we collect



# **Data Collection Best Practices**

Shadow Support Engineers to identify data and information they regularly use in a case lifecycle

Use support systems that are easy to extract data from

Store that data in a central data repository



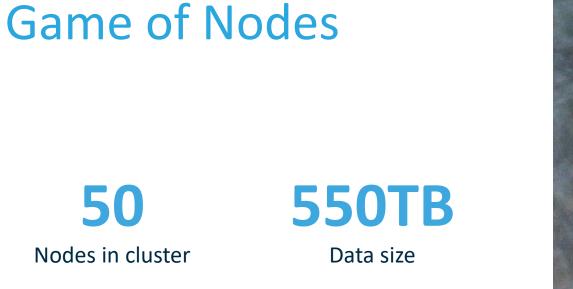
**3TB** 

New data per day

**50** 

Nodes in cluster







# **Building Predictive Support**

Step 3: Visualize



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# Customer Support Interface (CSI)

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Custome

Cluster:

#### **Data Ingestion**

Our internal EDH ingests 10 support specific data sources. We have access to over 500TB of data and it is growing each month.

#### **Data Visualization**

Our goal is to visualize all data that is useful to a support engineer in a useful way. CSI is a java web application that sits on top of the EDH

#### **Tools exist within CSI**

#### All support tools exist as a function or feature

within CSI. This includes all the tools we are about to go over (e.g. Diagnostic Bundles, *Validations*, *Monocle*, and *Clues*)

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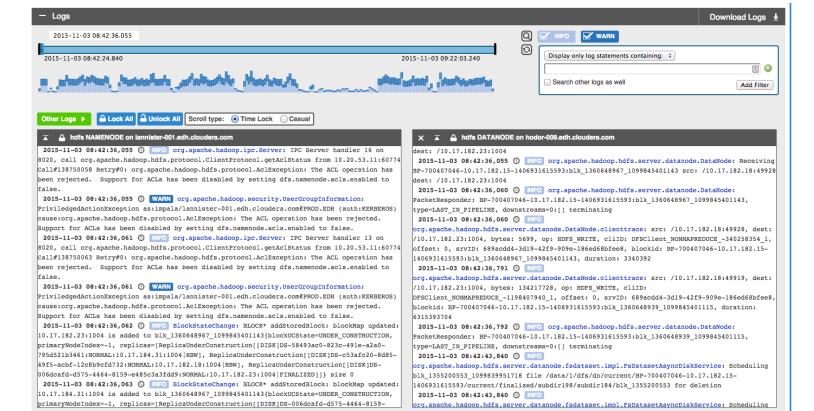
# **Diagnostic Bundles**

#### **Cloudera Manager**

One of the original problems in supporting Hadoop was seeing into the customer environment. Cloudera Manager has the ability to send a snapshot using diagnostic bundles.

#### What are they used for

Support engineers are able to dive into these bundles to get a granular view of the scenario and quickly solve issues using our tools.



# Monocle

Making specialized knowledge searchable Searching all of the data sources within CSI we are able to create a single index of both internal and open source knowledge for a one stop Hadoop engine.

#### What is it used for

No longer making support engineers have to "Google" for information. Our internal search platform is the most powerful Hadoop support engine for all their needs.

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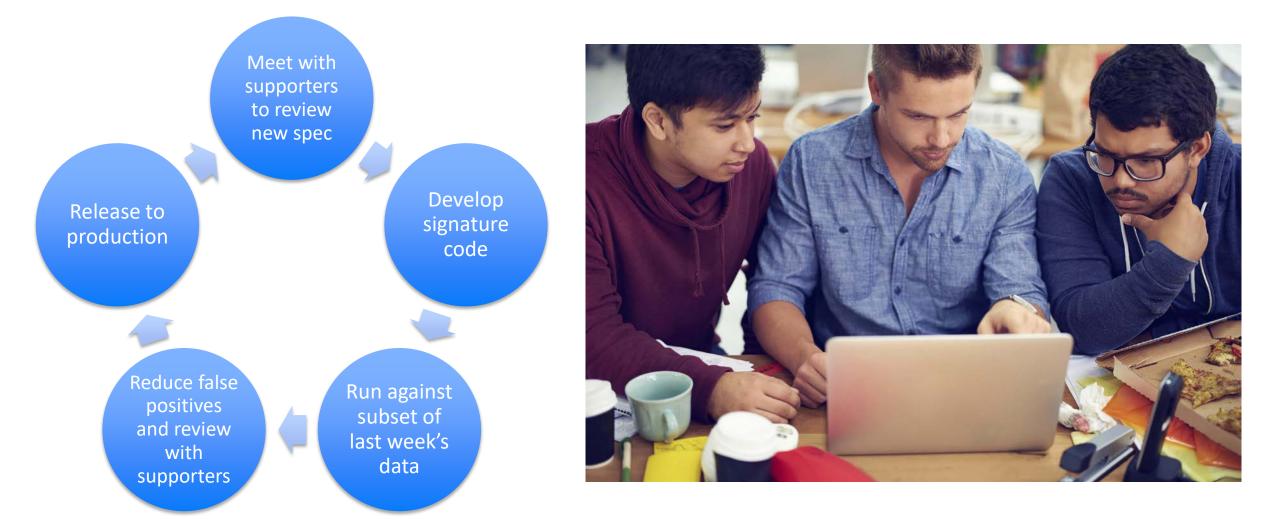
Step 4: Signature Identification

# **Closed Loop Review - Linear Process Flow**

Goal: To drive supportability in the Cloudera Platform to improve the customer experience

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	
Support Front Line fills out "Closed Loop" data when the case is closed	Support Back Line owns analysis of Trends in customer reported issues	Input into Releases and Validations	

# Issue signature creation – a collaborative process



# **Building Predictive Support**

Step 5: Delivering Predictive Support

# **Proactive Validations**

Automatic support case creation on critical issue detection

Drive engagement with customer through known issue resolution channel

Leverage known troubleshooting mechanism and best practices

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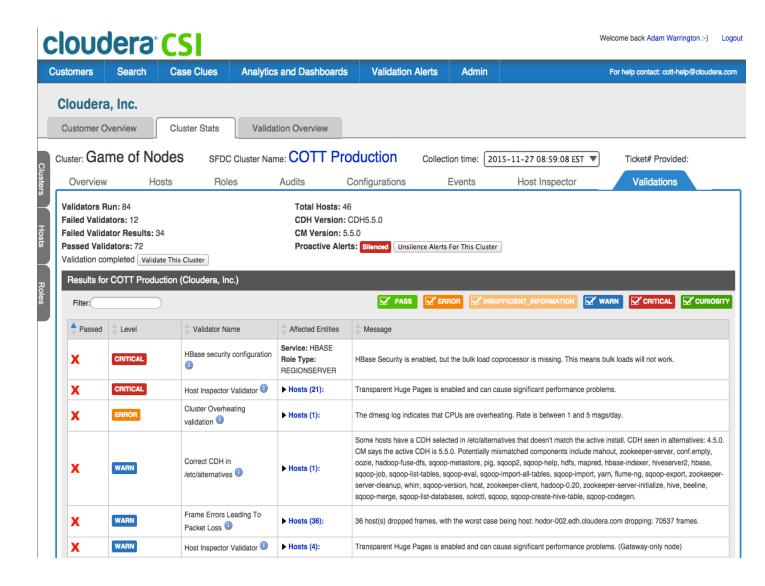
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# **Reactive Validations**

Reactive support greatly benefits from validations

Able to show validations that might have a higher false positive rate

Able to show validations that have lower criticality, but might relate to ongoing support cases



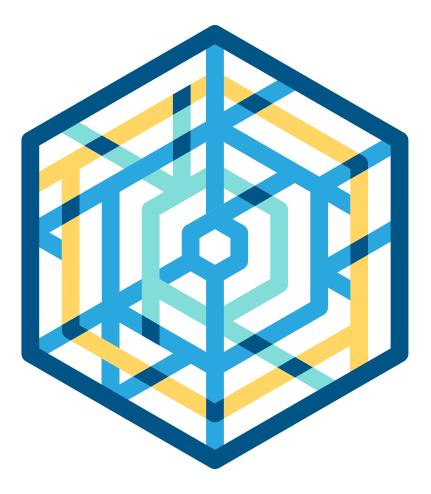
# **Basic Cluster Checklist**

Run the predictive support validations at the start of a customer's contract

Getting in front of issues early saves money and increases customer satisfaction

Targeting types customers or environments that are high cost to support can improve chances of success





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