

# Metrics Forecasting

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# METRICS FORECASTING

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1. Predict future metrics based only on historical data — time series forecasting
2. Forecasts for metrics like dead tuple percentage — can be used to intelligently schedule table vacuuming.
3. Different from MB2 — does not rely on an additional workload forecasting step.
4. Currently tracked metrics: dead tuple count and table growth.

# Scope

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Adds a new module `metrics_forecaster`

Inputs:

1. Historical metrics data (timeseries, one set per table)
2. Required granularity of predictions (e.g. 5s, 20s)
3. Required forecast length (how far into the future?)

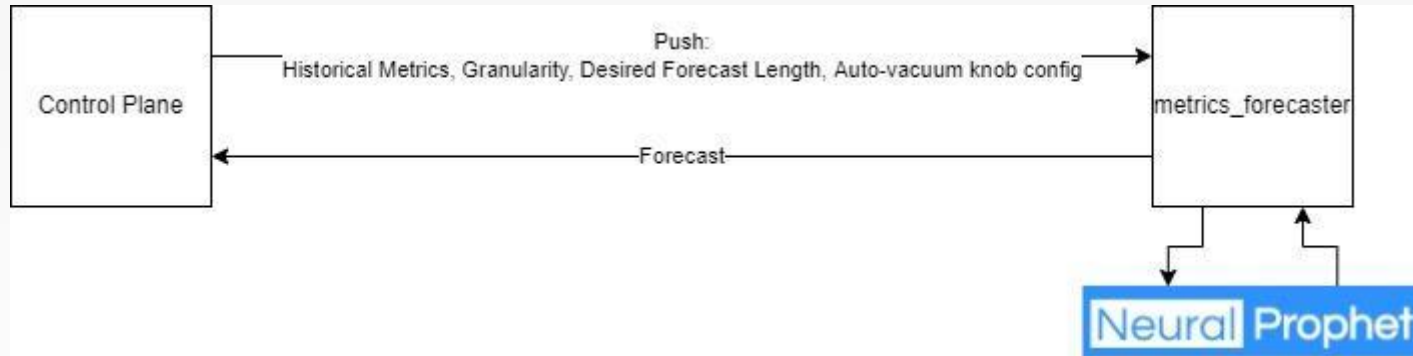
Outputs:

1. Predicted metric values based on the historical data

Currently supported metrics: `table_size`, dead tuple count

# Architectural Design

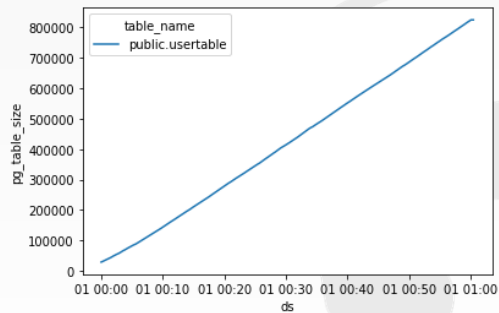
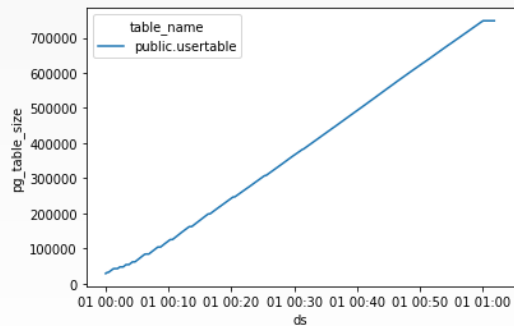
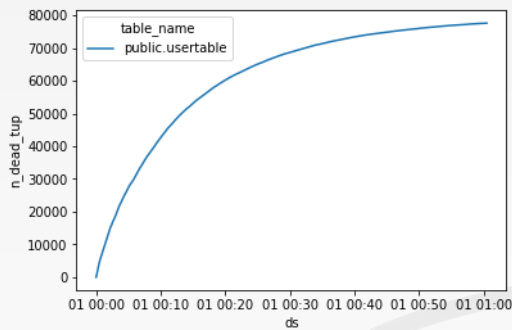
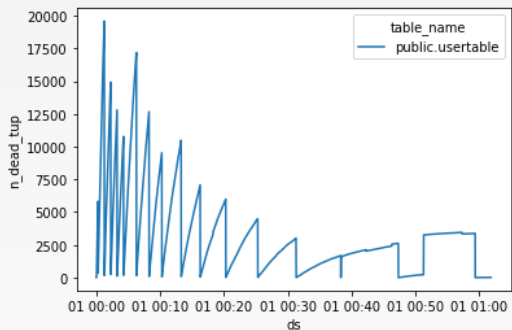
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# Data Collected

Benchmark	Benchmark Time (s)	Scale Factor	Auto-vacuum settings	Data Collected	Additional config
SmallBank	3600	50/100	on/off	table size, n_dead_tuples	
TPCC	3600, 7200	50/100	on/off	table size, n_dead_tuples	
YCSB	3600, 7200	50/100	on/off	table size, n_dead_tuples	DeleteRecord weight set to 25
TATP	3600	50/100	on/off	table size, n_dead_tuples	

# AutoVacuum vs No AutoVacuum (YCSB)



3600 second run with a sampling rate of once per second; scale factor = 50

# YCSB (Prediction 10s into the future)

Dead tuples

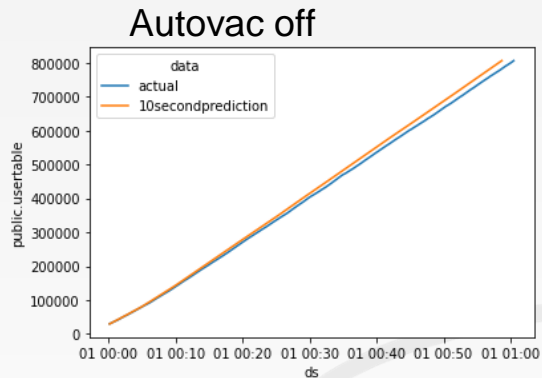
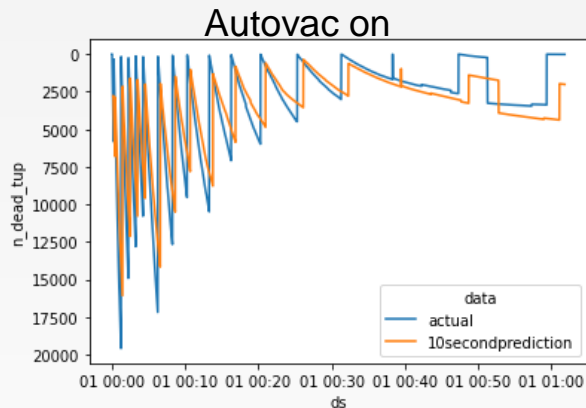
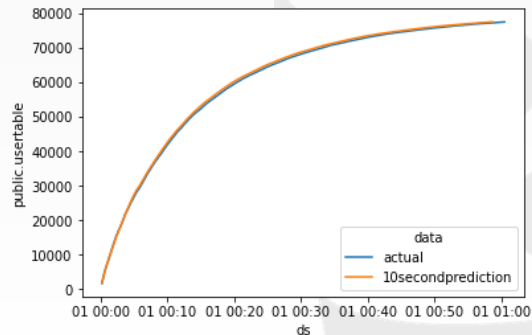
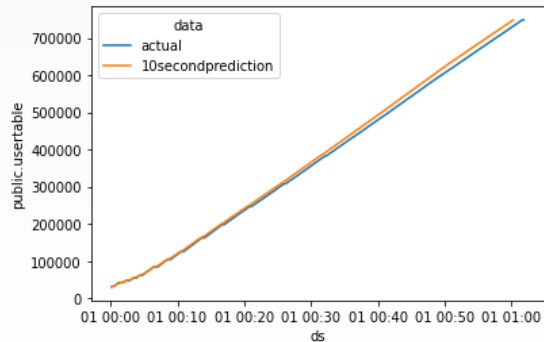
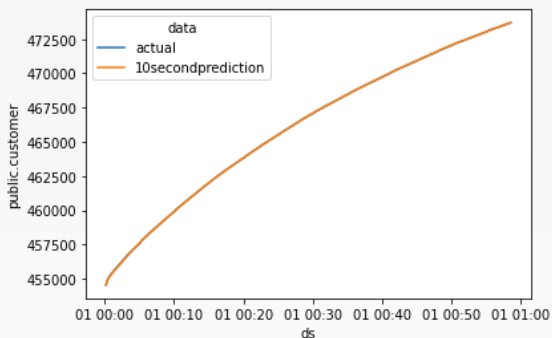


Table growth



# TPC-C Table Growth Forecasting

Autovacuum ON  
customer



Autovacuum OFF  
customer

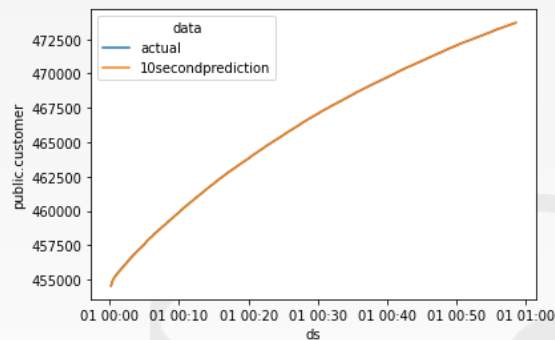
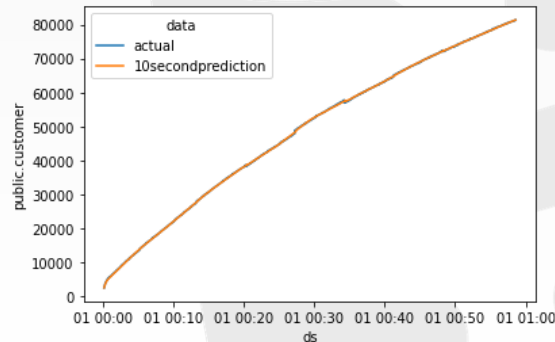
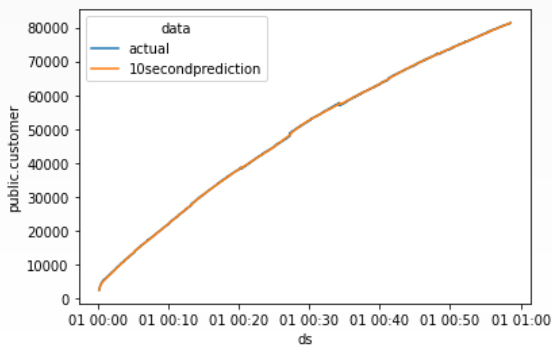


Table size

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Dead tuples

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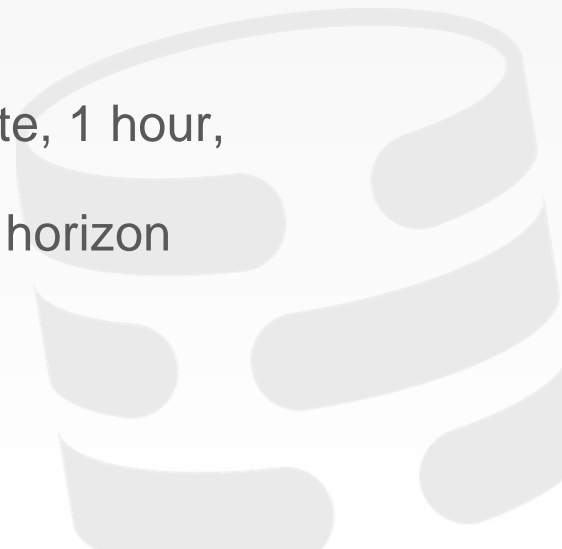
# Results

	YCSB	TPCC_customer
	MAE	MAE
Table Growth Vacuum ON	59.3	11.0
Table Growth Vacuum OFF	39.9	10.8
Dead Tuple Count Vacuum ON	79.2	84.9
Dead Tuple Count Vacuum OFF	64.4	49.4

# Testing Plan

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1. Store metric traces for all benchmarks in Benchbase with deletes
2. Test for training time on each benchmark:
  - a. With normal trace with a 50:50 train-test split
  - b. Artificially inflated trace just for test time
3. Test for correctness (MAE, RMSE):
  - a. With a 50:50 split
  - b. For data binned at granularity levels: 1 minute, 1 hour, 1 day, 1 week
4. Continuously log correctness metrics values per horizon evaluated



# Trade-offs and Potential Problems

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1. Neural prophet simply creates a linear projection for the future when predicting far into the future
2. Neural prophet takes around 13s to fit on 3600 samples of data — need to test for very large samples
3. Design does not take transferability into account. Needs to be trained from scratch on each database.



# Future Work

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1. Real/Longer workload traces (week, month)
2. Address the cold start problem (map to previously seen workloads?)
  1. Account for different auto-vacuum configurations
  2. Test other models: ARIMA, FBProphet, LSTMs

# QUESTIONS

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