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Description

Generate fake data based on provided schema specification

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default_simulation_params

Setup default column type parameters

Description

All the parameters (excluding regexp) are attached to column definition when the ones are not specified in configuration YAML file. All the functions are used to specify default configuration (see: default_faker_opts).

Usage

```
opt_default_character(
  regexp = "text|char|factor",
  nchar = 10,
  na_ratio = 0.05,
  not_null = FALSE,
  unique = FALSE,
  default = "",
  levels_ratio = 1,
  ...
)

opt_default_numeric(
  regexp = "^decimal|^numeric|real|double precision",
  na_ratio = 0.05,
  not_null = FALSE,
  unique = FALSE,
  default = 0,
  precision = 7,
  scale = 2,
  levels_ratio = 1,
  ...
)

opt_default_integer(
  regexp = "smallint|integer|bigint|smallserial|serial|bigserial",
  na_ratio = 0.05,
  not_null = FALSE,
  unique = FALSE,
  default = "",
  levels_ratio = 1,
  ...
)

opt_default_logical(
  regexp = "boolean|logical",
  na_ratio = 0.05,
  not_null = FALSE,
  unique = FALSE,
  default = FALSE,
  levels_ratio = 1,
  ...
)

opt_default_date(
  regexp = "date|Date",
  na_ratio = 0.05,
  not_null = FALSE,
```

```
  unique = FALSE,
  default = Sys.Date(),
  format = "%Y-%m-%d",
  min_date = as.Date("1970-01-01"),
  max_date = Sys.Date(),
  levels_ratio = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

regexp	Regular expression that allows mapping YAML configuration column type to desired R class.
nchar	Maximum number of characters when simulating character values. When source column is of type char(n) the parameter is ignored.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values returned in simulated sample.
not_null	Should the column allow to simulate NA values?
unique	Should column values be unique?
default	Default column value. Ignored during simulation.
levels_ratio	Ratio of unique values (in terms of sample length) simulated in the sample.
...	Other default parameters attached to the column definition.
precision	Precision of numeric column value when simulating numeric values. When source column is of type e.g. numeric(precision) the parameter is ignored.
scale	Precision of numeric column value when simulating numeric values. When source column is of type e.g. numeric(precision,scale) the parameter is ignored.
format	Format of date used when simulating Date columns.
min_date, max_date	
	Minimum and maximum date used when simulating Date columns.

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faker_configuration   *Default options for pulling metadata and data simulation*

Description

Generated with the set of configuration functions: default_simulation_params, opt_default_table, special_simulation, restricted_simulation, sourcing_metadata.

Usage

```
default_faker_opts

set_faker_opts(
  opt_pull_character,
  opt_pull_numeric,
  opt_pull_integer,
  opt_pull_logical,
  opt_pull_date,
  opt_pull_table,
  opt_default_character,
  opt_simul_spec_character,
  opt_simul_restricted_character,
  opt_simul_default_fun_character,
  opt_default_numeric,
  opt_simul_spec_numeric,
  opt_simul_restricted_numeric,
  opt_simul_default_fun_numeric,
  opt_default_integer,
  opt_simul_spec_integer,
  opt_simul_restricted_integer,
  opt_simul_default_fun_integer,
  opt_default_logical,
  opt_simul_spec_logical,
  opt_simul_restricted_logical,
  opt_simul_default_fun_logical,
  opt_default_date,
  opt_simul_spec_date,
  opt_simul_restricted_date,
  opt_simul_default_fun_date,
  opt_default_table,
  global = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

opt_pull_character, opt_pull_numeric, opt_pull_integer, opt_pull_logical, opt_pull_date, opt_pull_tabl
Parameters defined in default configuration that can be modified by using set_faker_opts
function. Please make sure each parameter is specified by method designed to
it.

global
If TRUE, default the configuration will be set up globally (no need to pass it as
a faker_opts parameter for schema_source and schema_methods).

Format

An object of class list of length 27.

Details

set_faker_opts allows to overwrite selected options,

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fake_column   *Schema graph_tbl with already faked data (if performed)*

Description

Schema graph_tbl with already faked data (if performed)

Usage

```
fake_column(n, col_def, schema, faker_opts)
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate
col_def	Column definition.
schema	Schema object.
faker_opts	Column simulation faker_opts.

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number_of_rows   *Methods for extracting number of target rows in simulation*

Description

Each method returns function of list of tables. The value of such function is named list being mapping between tables (names of list) and target number of rows (values of list). Such methods can be passed as nrows parameter of opt_default_table.

Usage

```
nrows_simul_constant(n, force = FALSE)

nrows_simul_ratio(ratio, total, force = FALSE)
```

Arguments

n	Default number of rows for each table when not defined in configuration file.
force	Should specified parameters overwrite related configuration parameters?
ratio, total	The parameters multiplications results with defining target number of rows for simulated table. See details section.

Details

Currently supported methods are:

- nrows_simul_constant Returns `n` rows for each table when not defined in YAML parameter
  `nrows`

- nrows_simul_ratio Returns `nrows * ratio` when `nrows` defined as YAML parameter and is
  integer. Returns `nrows` when `nrows` defined as YAML parameter and id fraction, Returns `n *`
  `ratio` otherwise.

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opt_default_table   *Configure data simulation options*

Description

The parameters affect high level (not column type related) simulation settings such as target number
of rows for each table. Currently only number of simulated rows is supported.

Usage

```
opt_default_table(nrows = nrows_simul_constant(10))
```

Arguments

nrows   Integer or function. When `nrows` is precised as an integer value, all the ta-
                 bles will have the same number of rows. In case of function, the should take
                 tables configuration (list of tables section from configuration YSML file) and
                 return named list of table with rows values. See `nrows_simul_constant` and
                 `nrows_simul_ratio` for more details.

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restricted_simulation *Simulate data restricted by extra column parameters*

Description

The functions allow to define a set of methods for simulating data using additional column-based
parameters such as range or values.

Usage

```
opt_simul_restricted_character(
  f_key = simul_restricted_character_fkey,
  ...,
  in_set = simul_restricted_character_in_set
)

opt_simul_restricted_numeric(
  f_key = simul_restricted_numeric_fkey,
  ...,
  in_set = simul_restricted_numeric_in_set,
  range = simul_restricted_numeric_range
)

opt_simul_restricted_integer(
  f_key = simul_restricted_integer_fkey,
  ...,
  in_set = simul_restricted_integer_in_set,
  range = simul_restricted_integer_range
)

opt_simul_restricted_logical(f_key = simul_restricted_integer_fkey, ...)

opt_simul_restricted_date(
  f_key = simul_restricted_integer_fkey,
  ...,
  range = simul_restricted_date_range
)
```

Arguments

f_key	Method for simulating foreign key columns. The `values` parameter of the function, receives all the unique values from parent primary key column.
...	Other methods that can be defined to handle extra parameters.
in_set	Method for simulating columns from defined set of values. The `values` parameter of the function, take all the values defined in YAML column definition as `values` parameter.
range	Method for simulating columns fitting inside defined range. It takes special parameter `range` 2-length vector minimum and maximum value for simulated data.

Details

Except for the standard column parameters, that are now:

- type
- unique

- not_null

- default

- nchar

- min_date

- max_date

- precision

- scale

it is also allowed to add custom ones (either directly in YAML configuration file, or in opt_default_<column_type> functions).

In order to respect simulation using such parameters, we may want to define our custom simulation functions.

Such functions should be defined as a parameters of opt_simul_restricted_<column_type> functions, and each of them should take special parameter as its own one.

When the parameter condition is not met (for example the parameter is missing) such function should return NULL value. This allows the simulation workflow to move to the next defined method. The order of methods execution is followed by the order of defined parameters in the below methods.

That means, the highest priority always have f_key - a special method that is used for foreign key columns, and simulates only from values received from parent primary key.

The second priority method for character type columns is in_set, that seeks for values column parameter, and when such exists it simulates the data from defined set of values. See simul_restricted_character_in_set definition to check details.

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sample_modifiers   *Modify sample with desired condition*

Description

The set of function that allows to perform most common operations ion data sample.

Usage

```
unique_sample(sim_expr, ..., unique = TRUE, n_name = "n", n_iter = 10)

na_rand(sample_vec, na_ratio, not_null = FALSE)

levels_rand(sample_vec, levels_ratio, unique)
```

Arguments

`sim_expr`	Expression to be evaluated in order to get column sample.
`...`	Parameters and their values that are used in `sim_expr`.
`unique`	If TRUE the function will try to simulate unique values.
`n_name`	Name of the parameter providing sample length (for example 'n' for `rnorm` and 'size' for `sample`).
`n_iter`	Number of iteration to make to assure the returned values are unique.
`sample_vec`	Vector to which NA values should be injected.
`na_ratio`	Ratio (in terms of column length) of NA values to attach to the sample.
`not_null`	Information whether NA's are allowed.
`levels_ratio`	Ratio of unique levels in terms of whole sample length.

Details

`unique_sample` - takes simulation expression and assures the expression will be executed as many times as needed to return unique result sample. `na_rand` - attaches NA values to the sample according to provided NA's ratio. `levels_rand` - takes provided number of sample levels, and assures the returned sample have as many levels as requested.

Examples

```
unique_sample(rnorm(n, mean = my_mean), n = 10, my_mean = 2)
unique_sample(sample(values, size, replace = TRUE), size = 10, values = 1:10, n_name = "size")

## Not run:
  ## In 10 iterations it was not possible to simulate 6 unique values from the vector 1:5
 unique_sample(sample(values, size, replace = TRUE), size = 6, values = 1:5, n_name = "size")

## End(Not run)

na_rand(1:10, na_ratio = 0.5)
```

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schema_methods   *Schema object methods*

Description

The set of methods that can be used on schema object returned by schema_source function.

Usage

```
schema_update_source(
  schema,
  file,
  faker_opts = getOption("dfkr_options", default_faker_opts)
)

schema_get_table(schema, table_name)

schema_plot_deps(schema, table_name)

schema_simulate(schema)
```

Arguments

schema	Schema object keeping table dependency graph.
file	Path to schema configuration yaml file.
faker_opts	Structure sourcing and columns simulation config.
table_name	Name of the table.

Details

The methods are:

- schema_update_source Update schema dependency graph based on provided file.

- schema_simulate Run data simulation process.

- schema_get_table Get simulated table value.

- schema_plot_deps Plot inter or inner table dependecies.

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schema_source   *Source schema file into dependency graph object*

Description

The functions parses table schema (from database) and saves its structure yaml format. The defined structure is then used to prepare schema dependency graph, that is:

- dependencies between tablesBased on foreign key definitions

- inner table column dependenciesBased on defined dependencies by various methods. See `vignette('todo')`.

Usage

```
schema_source(
  source,
  schema = "public",
  file = if (is.character(source)) source else file.path(getwd(), "schema.yml"),
  faker_opts = getOption("dfkr_options", default_faker_opts)
)
```

Arguments

source	Connection to Redshift or Postgres database or path to YAML configuration file from which schema metadata should be sourced. When missing file defined file will be sourced if existing.
schema	Schema name from which the structure should be sourced.
file	Path to yaml file describing database schema, or target file when schema should be saved (when db_conn not mising). See vignette('todo').
faker_opts	Structure sourcing and columns simulation config.

Details

Detected dependencies are then saved in R6Class object that is returned and possible to pass for further methods. See schema_methods.

Keeping the schema as a graph allows to perform simulation process in proper order, preserving table dependencies and constraints.

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simulation_methods_character

Character type simulation methods

Description

Character type simulation methods

Usage

```
simul_spec_character_name(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  spec_params,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)
```

```
simul_default_character(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  nchar,
  type,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_character_in_set(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  nchar,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_character_fkey(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  nchar,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate.
not_null	Should NA values be forbidden?
unique	Should duplicated values be allowed?
default	Default column value.
spec_params	Set of parameters passed to special method.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.

levels_ratio	Fraction of levels (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
...	Other parameters passed to column configuration in YAML file.
nchar	Maximum number of characters for each value.
type	Column raw type (sourced from configuration file).
values	Possible values from which to perform simulation.

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simulation_methods_date

Date type simulation methods

Description

Date type simulation methods

Usage

```
simul_spec_date_distr(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  spec_params,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_default_date(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  min_date,
  max_date,
  format,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_date_range(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
```

```
    type,
    range,
    format,
    na_ratio,
    levels_ratio,
    ...
)

simul_restricted_date_fkey(
    n,
    not_null,
    unique,
    default,
    type,
    values,
    na_ratio,
    levels_ratio,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate.
not_null	Should NA values be forbidden?
unique	Should duplicated values be allowed?
default	Default column value.
spec_params	Set of parameters passed to special method.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
levels_ratio	Fraction of levels (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
...	Other parameters passed to column configuration in YAML file.
type	Column raw type (sourced from configuration file).
format	Date format used to store dates.
range, min_date, max_date	
	Date range or minimum and maximum date from which to simulate data.
values	Possible values from which to perform simulation.

---

simulation_methods_integer

Integer type simulation methods

Description

Integer type simulation methods

Usage

```
simul_spec_integer_distr(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  spec_params,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_default_integer(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_integer_range(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  range,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_integer_in_set(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_integer_fkey(
```

```
    n,
    not_null,
    unique,
    default,
    type,
    values,
    na_ratio,
    levels_ratio,
    ...
  )
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate.
not_null	Should NA values be forbidden?
unique	Should duplicated values be allowed?
default	Default column value.
spec_params	Set of parameters passed to special method.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
levels_ratio	Fraction of levels (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
...	Other parameters passed to column configuration in YAML file.
type	Column raw type (sourced from configuration file).
range	Possible range of values from which to perform simulation.
values	Possible values from which to perform simulation.

```
  simulation_methods_logical
```
Logical type simulation methods

Description

Logical type simulation methods

Usage

```
simul_spec_logical_distr(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  spec_params,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
```

```
)

simul_default_logical(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_logical_fkey(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate.
not_null	Should NA values be forbidden?
unique	Should duplicated values be allowed?
default	Default column value.
spec_params	Set of parameters passed to special method.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
levels_ratio	Fraction of levels (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
...	Other parameters passed to column configuration in YAML file.
type	Column raw type (sourced from configuration file).
values	Possible values from which to perform simulation.

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simulation_methods_numeric
                              Numeric type simulation methods

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Description

Numeric type simulation methods

Usage

```
simul_spec_numeric_distr(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  spec_params,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_default_numeric(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_numeric_range(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  range,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_numeric_in_set(
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)

simul_restricted_numeric_fkey(
```

```
  n,
  not_null,
  unique,
  default,
  type,
  values,
  na_ratio,
  levels_ratio,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

n	Number of values to simulate.
not_null	Should NA values be forbidden?
unique	Should duplicated values be allowed?
default	Default column value.
spec_params	Set of parameters passed to special method.
na_ratio	Ratio of NA values (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
levels_ratio	Fraction of levels (in terms of sample length) the sample should have.
...	Other parameters passed to column configuration in YAML file.
type	Column raw type (sourced from configuration file).
range	Possible range of values from which to perform simulation.
values	Possible values from which to perform simulation.

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sourcing_metadata	*Specify YAML configuration options while pulling the schema from DB*

Description

The set of function allows to configure which data information should be saved to configuration
YAML file when such configuration is sourced directly from database schema.

Usage

```
opt_pull_character(
  values = TRUE,
  max_uniq_to_pull = 10,
  nchar = TRUE,
  na_ratio = TRUE,
  levels_ratio = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

```
opt_pull_numeric(
  values = TRUE,
  max_uniq_to_pull = 10,
  range = TRUE,
  precision = TRUE,
  scale = TRUE,
  na_ratio = TRUE,
  levels_ratio = FALSE,
  ...
)

opt_pull_integer(
  values = TRUE,
  max_uniq_to_pull = 10,
  range = TRUE,
  na_ratio = TRUE,
  levels_ratio = FALSE,
  ...
)

opt_pull_date(range = TRUE, na_ratio = TRUE, levels_ratio = FALSE, ...)

opt_pull_logical(na_ratio = TRUE, levels_ratio = FALSE, ...)

opt_pull_table(nrows = "exact", ...)
```

Arguments

values	Should column unique values be sourced? If so the ones are stored as an array withing `values` parameter.
max_uniq_to_pull	
	Pull unique values only when the distinct number of them is less than provided value. The parameter prevents for sourcing large amount of values to configuration file for example when dealing with ids column.
nchar	Should maximum number of characters in column be pulled? Is so stored as `nchar` parameter in configuration YAML file.
na_ratio	Should ratio of NA values existing in column be sourced?
levels_ratio	Should ratio of unique column values be sourced?
...	Other parameters defining column metadata source. Currently unsupported.
range	Should column range be sourced? Is so stored as `range` parameter in configuration YAML file.
precision	Currently unused.
scale	Currently unused.
nrows	Should number of original columns be sourced? When 'exact' stored as a `nrows` parameter for each table in YAML configuration file. When 'ratio' stored as a fraction of original columns (based on all tables) and saved as `nrows` configuration parameter. When 'none' tables rows information will not be saved.

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special_simulation   *Set of functions defining special simulation methods for column and
                       its type*

Description

Whenever there's a need to simulate column using specific function (as a spec parameter in YAML
configuration file), such method should be defined in one of opt_simul_spec_<column_type>
functions.

Usage

```
opt_simul_spec_character(name = simul_spec_character_name, ...)

opt_simul_spec_numeric(distr = simul_spec_numeric_distr, ...)

opt_simul_spec_integer(distr = simul_spec_integer_distr, ...)

opt_simul_spec_logical(distr = simul_spec_logical_distr, ...)

opt_simul_spec_date(distr = simul_spec_date_distr, ...)
```

Arguments

name	Function for simulating personal names.
...	Other custom special methods.
distr	Function for simulating data from desired distribution.

Details

Currently defined special methods are:

- name For character column, that allows to simulate character reflecting real names and sur-
  names
- distr For all the remaining column types. The method allows to simulate data with specified
  distribution generator, such as rnorm, rbinom etc.

Each 'spec' method receives n parameter (the desired number of rows to simulate), all the default
column-based parameters (type, unique, not_null, etc.) but also a special one named spec_params
that are applied to selected distribution simulation method.

See for example simul_spec_character_name definition.

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