Automation Tools In Support of Assessments: Intro to TADA



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TADA Vision (Revisited)

To develop a Tools for Automated Data Assessment (TADA) as an R package and user-friendly web-based interface (R Shiny)

- To save time, improve efficiency and accuracy in water quality assessments
- Using an open-source approach to both requirements gathering and development
- Standardized but flexible
- Community driven requirements



R Package

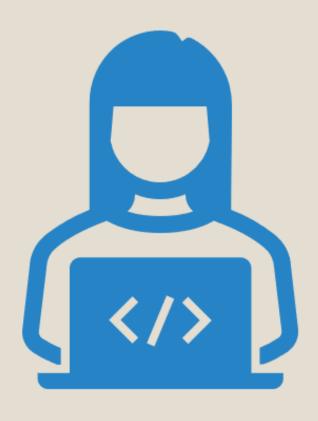


Data downloads
Data cleaning
Filtering
Normalizing

Analysis algorithms

- Focus on algorithms specific to WQP data
- Data is flagged but not automatically removed or modified
- Can be easily incorporated into existing tools or data processing methods
- Highly customizable
- Companion to dataRetrieval package

R Shiny User Interface



- Makes use of R package
- Developed independently
- Guides user through process
- Interactive
 - data exploring
 - · cleaning
 - graphing
 - o etc.
- Web based
- EPA Shiny hosting options

Requirements Gathering

- Extensive discussions and follow ups with stakeholders
- Documented requirements
- Will revisit periodically
- Built a community
- User stories





Technical expertise

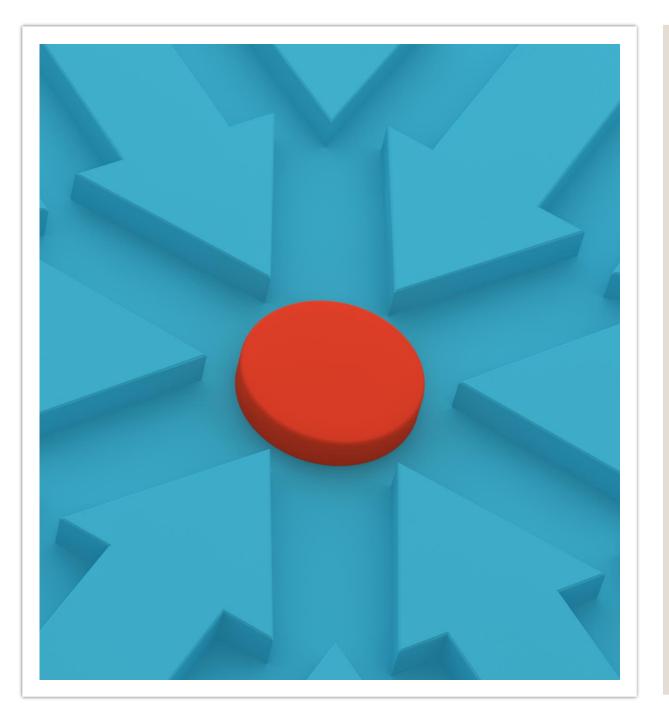
Contractor Support



Guidance through development process



Mock-ups



GitHub Activities

- New EPA GitHub environment
 - Enterprise license
 - Standards and governance policies
- Brand new EPA/TADA team
 - 2 public repositories*
 - Can serve as community forum/hub

Community Development

- Community can be anyone
- Contract to support subject experts with varying R skills
- EPA/ORISE initial development
- Github: setting stage for community participation
- Personnel changes

