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Program Agenda

- Introduction to MySQL cost-based optimizer
- Selecting data access method
- Join optimizer
- 4 Sorting
- Tools for monitoring, analyzing, and tuning queries
- Influencing the optimizer





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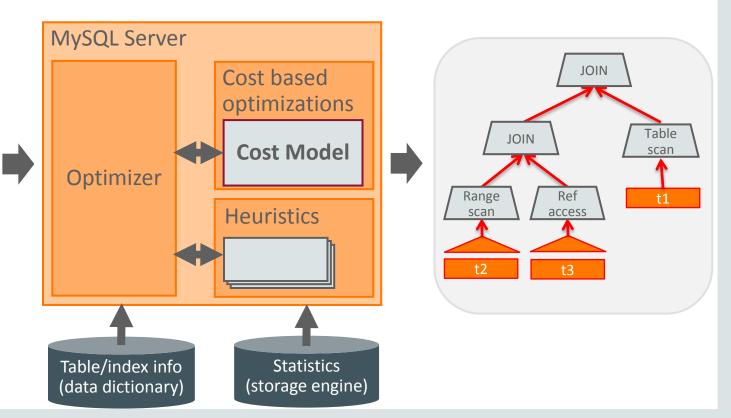
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MySQL Optimizer



SELECT a, b
FROM t1, t2, t3
WHERE t1.a = t2.b
AND t2.b = t3.c
AND t2.d > 20
AND t2.d < 30;

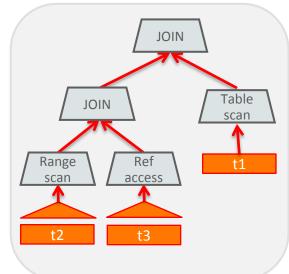




Cost-based Query Optimization General idea

- Assign cost to operations
- Compute cost of partial or alternative plans
- Search for plan with lowest cost

Cost-based optimizations:



Access method

Join order

Subquery strategy



Input to Cost Model

IO-cost:

- Estimates from storage engine based on number of pages to read
- Both index and data pages

Schema:

- Length of records and keys
- Uniqueness for indexes
- Nullability

• Statistics:

- Number of rows in table
- Key distribution/Cardinality:
 - Average number of records per key value
 - Only for indexed columns
 - Maintained by storage engine
- Number of records in an index range



Cost Model Example

SELECT SUM(o_totalprice) FROM orders
WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1994-01-01' AND '1994-12-31';

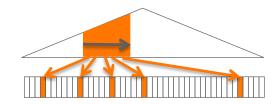
Table scan:

- IO-cost: #pages in table
- CPU cost: #rows * ROW_EVALUATE_COST

Range scan (on secondary index):

- IO-cost: #pages to read from index + #rows_in_range
- CPU cost: #rows_in_range * ROW_EVALUATE_COST







Cost Model

Example

EXPLAIN SELECT SUM(o_totalprice) FROM orders
WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1994-01-01' AND '1994-12-31';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	ALL	i_o_orderdate	NULL	NULL	NULL	15000000	Using where

EXPLAIN SELECT SUM(o_totalprice) FROM orders WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1994-01-01' AND '1994-06-30';

Id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	range	i_o_orderdate	i_o_orderdate	4	NULL	2235118	Using index condition





Cost Model Example: Optimizer Trace

join_optimization / row_estimation / table : orders / range_analysis

```
"table_scan": {
 "rows": 15000000,
 "cost": 3.12e6
}/* table scan */,
"potential range indices": [
  "index": "PRIMARY",
  "usable": false,
  "cause": "not applicable"
  "index": "i o orderdate",
  "usable": true.
  "key parts": ["o orderDATE", "o orderkey"]
]/* potential range indices */,
```

```
"analyzing range alternatives": {
 "range scan alternatives": [
   "index": "i o orderdate",
   "ranges": [ "1994-01-01 <= o orderDATE <= 1994-12-31"
   "index dives for eq ranges": true,
   "rowid ordered": false,
   "using mrr": false,
   "index only": false,
   "rows": 4489990,
   "cost": 5.39e6.
   "chosen": false.
   "cause": "cost"
 /* range scan alternatives */,
}/* analyzing range alternatives */
```



Cost Model vs Real World

Measured Execution Times

	Data in Memory	Data on Disk	Data on SSD
Table scan	6.8 seconds	36 seconds	15 seconds
Index scan	5.2 seconds	2.5 hours	30 minutes

Force Index Range Scan:

SELECT SUM(o_totalprice)

FROM orders FORCE INDEX (i_o_orderdate)

WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1994-01-01' AND '1994-12-31';





Performance Schema Disk I/O

SELECT event_name, count_read, avg_timer_read/1000000000.0 "Avg Read Time (ms)", sum_number_of_bytes_read "Bytes Read"
FROM performance_schema.file_summary_by_event_name
WHERE event_name='wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file';

Table Scan

event_name	count_read	Avg Read Time (ms)	Bytes Read
wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file	115769	0.0342	1896759296

Index Range Scan

event_name	count_read	Avg Read Time (ms)	Bytes Read
wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file	2188853	4.2094	35862167552







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Selecting Access Method

Finding the optimal method to read data from storage engine

- For each table, find the best access method:
 - Check if the access method is useful
 - Estimate cost of using access method
 - Select the cheapest to be used
- Choice of access method is cost based

Main access methods:

- Table scan
- Index scan
- Ref access
- Range scan
- Index merge
- Loose index scan





Ref Access

Single Table Queries

EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM customer WHERE c_custkey = 570887;

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	customer	const	PRIMARY	PRIMARY	4	const	1	NULL

EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_orderdate = '1992-09-12';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	ref	i_o_orderdate	i_o_orderdate	4	const	6271	NULL





Ref Access

Join Queries

EXPLAIN SELECT *
FROM orders JOIN customer ON c_custkey = o_custkey
WHERE o_orderdate = '1992-09-12';

ld	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	ref	i_o_orderdate, i_o_custkey	i_o_orderdate	4	const	6271	Using where
1	SIMPLE	customer	eq_ref	PRIMARY	PRIMARY	4	dbt3.orders. o_custkey	1	NULL



Ref Access

Join Queries, continued

EXPLAIN SELECT *
FROM orders JOIN customer ON c_custkey = o_custkey
WHERE c_acctbal < -1000;

Id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	customer	ALL	PRIMARY	NULL	NULL	NULL	1500000	Using where
1	SIMPLE	orders	ref	i_o_custkey	i_o_custkey	5	dbt3.customer. c_custkey	7	NULL





Range Optimizer

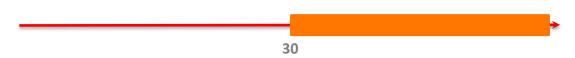
- Goal: find the "minimal" ranges for each index that needs to be read
- Example:

SELECT * FROM t1 WHERE (key1 > 10 AND key1 < 20) AND key2 > 30

Range scan using INDEX(key1):



Range scan using INDEX(key2):



Range Optimizer Optimizer Trace show ranges

SELECT a, b FROM t1

WHERE a > 10

AND a < 25

AND a NOT IN (11, 19))

AND (b < 5 OR b > 10);

```
"analyzing range alternatives": {
  "range scan alternatives": [
      "index": "i a",
      "ranges": [
        "10 < a < 11",
        "11 < a < 19",
        "19 < a < 25"
      "index dives for eq ranges": true,
      "rowid ordered": false,
      "using mrr": false,
      "index only": false,
      "rows": 3,
      "cost": 6.61,
      "chosen": true
      "index": "i b",
      "ranges": [
        "NULL < b < 5",
        "10 < b"
      "index dives for eq ranges": true,
      "rowid ordered": false,
```



Range Optimizer: Case Study

Why table scan?

SELECT * FROM orders
WHERE YEAR(o_orderdate) = 1997 AND MONTH(o_orderdate) = 5
AND o_clerk = 'Clerk#000001866';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	ALL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	15000000	Using where

Index not considered

mysql> SELECT * FROM orders WHERE year(o_orderdate) = 1997 AND MONTH(...
...
15 rows in set (8.91 sec)



Some Reasons Why Index can not be Used

- Indexed column is used as argument to function
 YEAR(o orderdate) = 1997
- Looking for a suffix:name LIKE '%son'
- First column(s) of compound index NOT used
 b = 10 when index defined over (a, b)
- Type mismatchmy_string = 10
- Character set / collation mismatch
 t1 LEFT JOIN t2 ON t1.utf8_string = t2. latin1_string



Range Optimizer: Case Study

Rewrite query to avoid functions on indexed columns

SELECT * FROM orders
WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND '1997-05-31'
AND o_clerk = 'Clerk#000001866';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	range	i_o_orderdate	i_o_orderdate	4	NULL	376352	Using index condition; Using where

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND ...
15 rows in set (0.91 sec)
```





Range Optimizer: Case Study

Adding another index

CREATE INDEX i_o_clerk ON orders(o_clerk);

SELECT * FROM orders
WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND '1997-05-31'
AND o_clerk = 'Clerk#000001866';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	range	i_o_orderdate, i_o_clerk	i_o_clerk	16	NULL	1504	Using index condition; Using where

mysql> SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND ...

15 rows in set (0.01 sec)





Range Access for Multi-Column Index

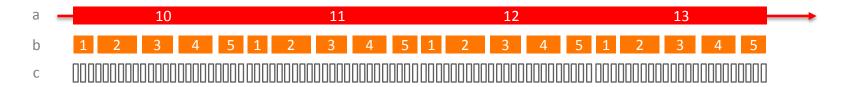
Example table with multi-column index

• Table:



INDEX idx(a, b, c);

Logical storage layout of index:





Range Optimizer: Case Study

Create multi-column index

CREATE INDEX i_o_clerk_date ON orders(o_clerk, o_orderdate);

SELECT * FROM orders
WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND '1997-05-31'
AND o_clerk = 'Clerk#000001866';

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	row s	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	range	i_o_orderdate, i_o_clerk, i_o_clerk_date	i_o_clerk_date	20	NULL	14	Using index condition

mysql> SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_orderdate BETWEEN '1997-05-01' AND \dots

. . .

15 rows in set (0.00 sec)





Performance Schema: Query History

UPDATE performance_schema.setup_consumers
SET enabled='YES' WHERE name = 'events_statements_history';

MySQL 5.7: Enabled by default



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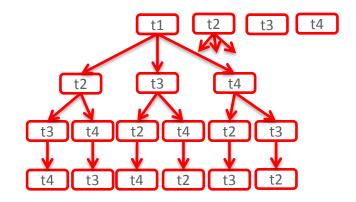
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Join Optimizer

"Greedy search strategy"

- Goal: Given a JOIN of N tables, find the best JOIN ordering
- Strategy:
 - Start with all 1-table plans
 - Expand each plan with remaining tables
 - Depth-first
 - If "cost of partial plan" > "cost of best plan":
 - "prune" plan
 - Heuristic pruning:
 - Prune less promising partial plans
 - May in rare cases miss most optimal plan (turn off with set optimizer_prune_level = 0)



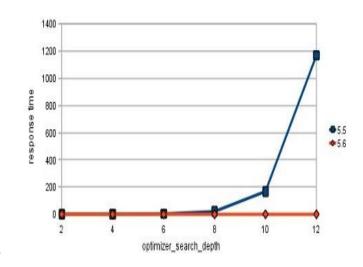


Complexity and Cost of Join Optimizer

Join of N tables: N! possible plans to evaluate

Heuristics to reduce the number of plans to evaluate:

- Use optimizer_search_depth to limit the number of tables to consider
- Pre-sort tables on size and key dependency order (Improved in MySQL 5.6)
- When adding the next table to a partial plan, add all tables that it has an equality reference to (New in MySQL 5.6)





Join Optimizer: Case study

DBT-3 Query 8: National Market Share Query

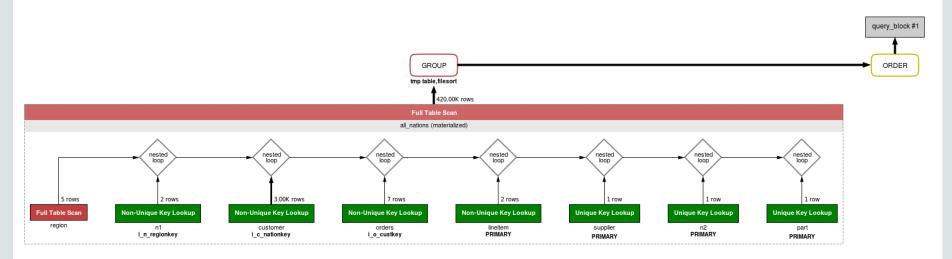
```
SELECT o year, SUM(CASE WHEN nation = 'FRANCE' THEN volume ELSE 0 END) / SUM(volume) AS
       mkt share
FROM (
       SELECT EXTRACT(YEAR FROM o_orderdate) AS o_year,
I_extendedprice * (1 - I_discount) AS volume, n2.n_name AS nation
       FROM part
         JOIN lineitem ON p_partkey = l_partkey
JOIN supplier ON s_suppkey = l_suppkey
JOIN orders ON l_orderkey = o_orderkey
         JOIN customer ON o_custkey = c_custkey
         JOIN nation n1 ON c_nationkey = n1.n_nationkey
       JOIN region ON n1.n_regionkey = r_regionkey
JOIN nation n2 ON s_nationkey = n2.n_nationkey
WHERE r_name = 'EUROPE' AND o_orderdate BETWEEN '1995-01-01' AND '1996-12-31'
            AND p type = 'PROMO BRUSHED STEEL'
 ) AS all_nations GROUP BY o_year ORDER BY o_year;
```



Join Optimizer: Case Study

MySQL Workbench: Visual EXPLAIN

Execution time: 3 min. 28 sec.







Join Optimizer: Case Study

Force early processing of high selectivity predicates

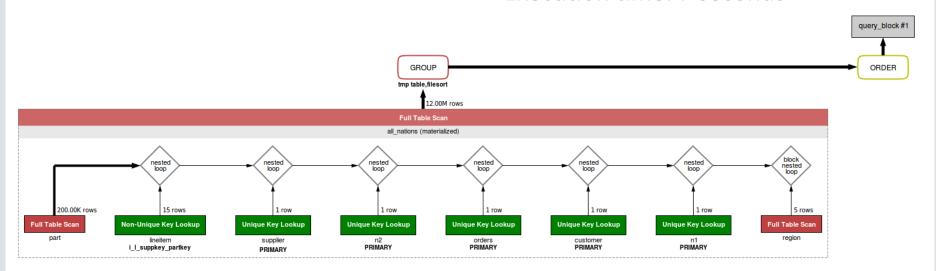
```
SELECT o year, SUM(CASE WHEN nation = 'FRANCE' THEN volume ELSE 0 END) / SUM(volume) AS
       mkt share
                                                                                         part before lineitem
FROM (
       SELECT EXTRACT(YEAR FROM o orderdate) AS o year, I extendedprice * (1 - I discount) AS volume, n2.n name AS nation
       FROM part \angle
         STRAIGHT_JOIN lineitem ON p_partkey = l_partkey JOIN supplier ON s_suppkey = l_suppkey JOIN orders ON l_orderkey = o_orderkey
         JOIN customer ON o_custkey = c_custkey
         JOIN nation n1 ON c_nationkey = n1.n_nationkey
       JOIN region ON n1.n_regionkey = r_regionkey
JOIN nation n2 ON s_nationkey = n2.n_nationkey
WHERE r_name = 'EUROPE' AND o_orderdate BETWEEN '1995-01-01' AND '1996-12-31'
           AND p_type = 'PROMO BRUSHED STEEL' _
                                                                                                    Highest selectivity
) AS all_nations GROUP BY o_year ORDER BY o_year;
```



Join Optimizer: Case Study

Improved join order

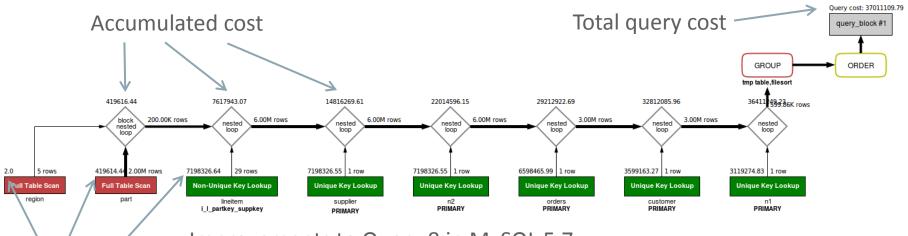
Execution time: 7 seconds







MySQL 5.7: Cost Information in Structured EXPLAIN



- Improvements to Query 8 in MySQL 5.7:
- Filtering on non-indexed columns are taken into account
 - No need for hint to force part table to be processed early
- Merge derived tables into outer query
 - No temporary table



Cost per table





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ORDER BY Optimizations

- General solution; "Filesort":
 - Store query result in temporary table before sorting
 - If data volume is large, may need to sort in several passes with intermediate storage on disk
- Optimizations:
 - Take advantage of index to generate query result in sorted order
 - For "LIMIT n" queries, maintain priority queue of n top items in memory instead of filesort. (New in MySQL 5.6)



Filesort

SELECT * FROM orders ORDER BY o_totalprice;

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	orders	ALL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	15000000	Using filesort

SELECT c_name, o_orderkey, o_totalprice FROM orders JOIN customer ON c_custkey = o_custkey WHERE c_acctbal < -1000 ORDER BY o_totalprice;

id	select type	table	type	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	SIMPLE	customer	ALL	PRIMARY	NULL	NULL	NULL	1500000	Using where; Using temporary; Using filesort
1	SIMPLE	orders	ref	i_o_custkey	i_o_custkey	5		7	NULL



Filesort

Status variables

Status variables related to sorting:

Number of rows sorted



Filesort

Performance Schema

Sorting status per statement available from Performance Schema

	sort_merge_passes		sort_rows	sort_scan
SELECT	1	0	136170	1



```
mysql> FLUSH STATUS;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)
mysql> SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (
 SELECT * FROM orders
   ORDER BY totalprice DESC
   LIMIT 100000) td;
 AVG(o_totalprice)
  398185.986158
1 row in set (24.65 sec)
```

Unnecessary large data volume!

```
mysql> SHOW STATUS LIKE 'Sort%';
| Variable name
                    | Value
  Sort_merge_passes | 1432
  Sort range
  Sort rows
                  1 100,000
  Sort scan
4 rows in set (0.00 \text{ seq})
```

Many intermediate sorting steps!



Reduce amount of data to be sorted

```
mysql> SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o totalprice FROM orders ORDER BY
 o totalprice DESC LIMIT 100000) td;
 AVG(o_totalprice) |
 398185.986158
1 row in set (8.18 sec)
mysql> SELECT sql text, sort merge passes FROM performance schema.
 events statements history ORDER BY timer start DESC LIMIT 1;
         ______
 sql text
                                                  | sort_merge_passes |
 SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o_totalprice |
```



Increase sort buffer (1 MB)

```
mysql> SET sort buffer size = 1024*1024;
mysql> SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o totalprice FROM orders ORDER BY
 o totalprice DESC LIMIT 100000) td;
 AVG(o totalprice) |
 398185.986158
1 row in set (7.24 sec)
mysql> SELECT sql text, sort merge passes FROM performance schema.
  events statements history ORDER BY timer start DESC LIMIT 1;
  sql text
                                                       | sort_merge_passes
  SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o totalprice |
```

Default is 256 kB



Increase sort buffer even more (8 MB)

```
mysql> SET sort buffer size = 8*1024*1024;
mysql> SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o totalprice FROM orders ORDER BY
 o totalprice DESC LIMIT 100000) td;
| AVG(o totalprice) |
 398185.986158
1 row in set (6.30 \text{ sec})
mysql> SELECT sql text, sort merge passes FROM performance schema.
  events statements history ORDER BY timer start DESC LIMIT 1;
  sql text
                                                        | sort_merge_passes
  SELECT AVG(o totalprice) FROM (SELECT o totalprice |
```



Use Index to Avoid Sorting

CREATE INDEX i_o_totalprice ON orders(o_totalprice);

SELECT AVG(o_totalprice) FROM

(SELECT o_totalprice FROM orders ORDER BY o_totalprice DESC LIMIT 100000) td;

id	select type	table	Туре	possible keys	key	key len	ref	rows	extra
1	PRIMARY	<derived2></derived2>	ALL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	100000	NULL
2	DERIVED	orders	index	NULL	i_o_totalprice	6	NULL	15000000	Using index

```
mysql> SELECT AVG(o_totalprice) FROM (
    SELECT o_totalprice FROM orders
    ORDER BY o_totalprice DESC LIMIT 100000) td;
...
1 row in set (0.06 sec)
```





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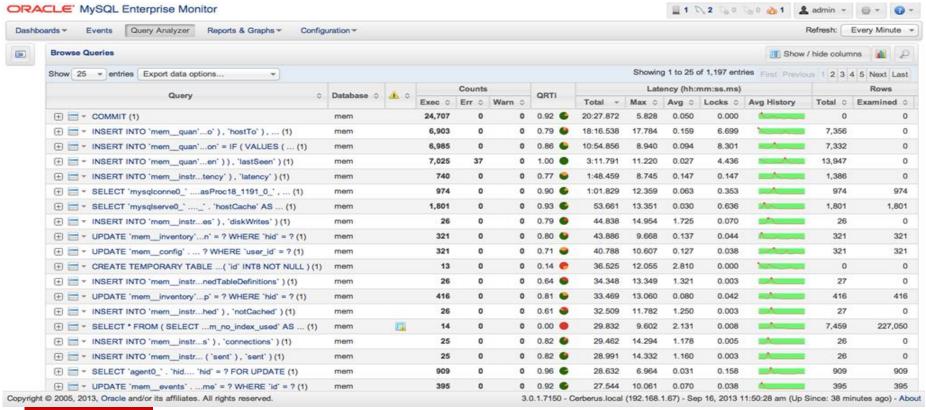
Useful tools

- MySQL Enterprise Monitor (MEM), Query Analyzer
 - Commercial product
- Performance schema, MySQL SYS schema
- EXPLAIN
- Structured EXPLAIN (FORMAT=JSON)
- Visual EXPLAIN (MySQL Workbench)
- Optimizer trace
- Slow log
- Status variables (SHOW STATUS LIKE 'Sort%')



MySQL Enterprise Monitor, Query Analyzer







Query Analyzer Query Details







Performance Schema

Some useful tables

- events_statements_history_long
 - Most recent statements executed
- events_statements_summary_by_digest
 - Summary for similar statements (same statement digest)
- file_summary_by_event_name
 - Interesting event: wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file
- table_io_waits_summary_by_table
 table_io_waits_summary_by_index_usage
 - Statistics on storage engine access per table and index





Performance Schema

Statement digest

• Normalization of queries to group statements that are similar to be grouped and summarized:

```
SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_custkey=10 AND o_totalprice>20
SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_custkey = 20 AND o_totalprice > 100
```

- SELECT * FROM orders WHERE o_custkey = ? AND o_totalprice > ?
- events statements summary by digest

```
DIGEST, DIGEST_TEXT, COUNT_STAR, SUM_TIMER_WAIT, MIN_TIMER_WAIT, AVG_TIMER_WAIT, MAX_TIMER_WAIT, SUM_LOCK_TIME, SUM_ERRORS, SUM_WARNINGS, SUM_ROWS_AFFECTED, SUM_ROWS_SENT, SUM_ROWS_EXAMINED, SUM_CREATED_TMP_DISK_TABLES, SUM_CREATED_TMP_TABLES, SUM_SELECT_FULL_JOIN, SUM_SELECT_FULL_RANGE_JOIN, SUM_SELECT_RANGE, SUM_SELECT_RANGE_CHECK, SUM_SELECT_SCAN, SUM_SORT_MERGE_PASSES, SUM_SORT_RANGE, SUM_SORT_ROWS, SUM_SORT_SCAN, SUM_NO_INDEX_USED, SUM_NO_GOOD_INDEX_USED, FIRST_SEEN, LAST_SEEN
```



Performance Schema

Statement events

• Tables:

```
events_statements_current (Current statement for each thread)
events_statements_history (10 most recent statements per thread)
events_statements_history_long (10000 most recent statements)
```

Columns:

THREAD_ID, EVENT_ID, END_EVENT_ID, EVENT_NAME, SOURCE, TIMER_START, TIMER_END, TIMER_WAIT, LOCK_TIME, SQL_TEXT, DIGEST, DIGEST_TEXT, CURRENT_SCHEMA, OBJECT_TYPE, OBJECT_SCHEMA, OBJECT_NAME, OBJECT_INSTANCE_BEGIN, MYSQL_ERRNO, RETURNED_SQLSTATE, MESSAGE_TEXT, ERRORS, WARNINGS, ROWS_AFFECTED, ROWS_SENT, ROWS_EXAMINED, CREATED_TMP_DISK_TABLES, CREATED_TMP_TABLES, SELECT_FULL_JOIN, SELECT_FULL_RANGE_JOIN, SELECT_RANGE, SELECT_RANGE, SELECT_RANGE_CHECK, SELECT_SCAN, SORT_MERGE_PASSES, SORT_RANGE, SORT_ROWS, SORT_SCAN, NO_INDEX_USED, NO_GOOD_INDEX_USED, NESTING_EVENT_ID, NESTING_EVENT_TYPE



MySQL SYS Schema / ps_helper

- Started as a collection of views, procedures and functions, designed to make reading raw Performance Schema data easier
- Implements many common DBA and Developer use cases
- MySQL 5.7.7: Included by default
- Bundled within MySQL Workbench
- Also available on GitHub
 - https://github.com/MarkLeith/mysql-sys
- Examples of very useful functions:
 - format time() , format bytes(), format statement()



MySQL SYS Schema

Example

statement_analysis: Lists a normalized statement view with aggregated statistics, mimics the MySQL Enterprise Monitor Query Analysis view, ordered by the total execution time per normalized statement

```
mysql> select * from statement_analysis limit 1\G

*********************************

query: INSERT INTO `mem__quan` . `nor ... nDuration` = IF ( VALUES ( ... db: mem

full_scan:
    exec_count: 1110067
    err_count: 0
    warn_count: 0
    total_latency: 1.93h
    max_latency: 5.03 s
    avg latency: 6.27 ms
```

```
lock_latency: 00:18:29.18

rows_sent: 0

rows_sent_avg: 0

rows_examined: 0

rows_examined_avg: 0

tmp_tables: 0

tmp_disk_tables: 0

rows_sorted: 0

sort_merge_passes: 0

digest: d48316a218e95b1b8b72db5e6b177788!
```

first seen: 2014-05-20 10:42:17

Structured EXPLAIN FORMAT=JSON

ORDER BY I returnflag, I linestatus;

```
EXPLAIN FORMAT=JSON

SELECT I_returnflag, I_linestatus, SUM(I_quantity)

FROM lineitem

WHERE I_shipdate <=

DATE_SUB('1998-12-01', INTERVAL '118' DAY)

GROUP BY I_returnflag, I_linestatus
```

EXPLAIN

```
{ "query block": {
   "select id": 1,
   "ordering operation": {
    "using filesort": false,
    "grouping operation": {
      "using temporary table": true,
      "using filesort": true,
      "table": {
       "table name": "lineitem",
       "access type": "ALL",
       "possible keys": [
         "i I shipdate"
       "rows": 2829575,
       "filtered": 50,
       "attached condition":
          "(`dbt3`.`lineitem`.`l shipDATE` <=
          <cache>(('1998-12-01' - interval '118' day)))"
      } /* table */
    } /* grouping operation */
   }/*ordering operation */
}/*query block */ }
```



Structured EXPLAIN

Additional information compared to traditional EXPLAIN

- attached_condition
 "attached_condition": "(`test`.`t1`.`b` <> 30)"
 index_condition
 "index_condition": "(`test`.`t1`.`c` = 10)"
- used_key_parts"used_key_parts": ["o_clerk","o_orderDATE"],
- rows_examined_per_join (5.7) "rows_examined_per_scan": 1, "rows produced per join": 3,

```
• Cost (5.7)
   "query block": {
      "select id": 1,
     "cost info": {
        "query cost": "6.41"
      } /* cost info */,
    "table": { ...
       "cost info": {
         "read cost": "3.00",
         "eval cost": "0.60",
         "prefix cost": "6.41",
         "data read per join": "24"
       } /* cost info */,
```



Optimizer Trace: Query Plan Debugging

- EXPLAIN shows the selected plan
- TRACE shows WHY the plan was selected:
 - Alternative plans
 - Estimated costs
 - Decisions made
- JSON format





Optimizer Trace: Example

```
SET optimizer_trace= "enabled=on", end_markers_in_json=on;
SELECT * FROM t1, t2 WHERE f1=1 AND f1=f2 AND f2>0;
SELECT trace INTO DUMPFILE <filename>
    FROM information_schema.optimizer_trace;
SET optimizer_trace="enabled=off";
```

QUERY	SELECT * FROM t1,t2 WHERE f1=1 AND f1=f2 AND f2>0;
TRACE	"steps": [{ "join_preparation": { "select#": 1, } }]
MISSING_BYTES_BEYOND_MAX_MEM_SIZE	0
INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGES	0



Program Agenda

- 1 Introduction to MySQL optimizer
- Selecting data access method
- Join optimizer
- 4 Sorting
- Tools for monitoring, analyzing, and tuning queries
- Influencing the optimizer





Influencing the Optimizer

When the optimizer does not do what you want

- Add indexes
- Force use of specific indexes:
 - USE INDEX, FORCE INDEX, IGNORE INDEX
- Force specific join order:
 - STRAIGHT JOIN
- Adjust session variables
 - optimizer_switch flags: set optimizer_switch="index_merge=off"
 - Buffer sizes: set sort buffer=8*1024*1024;
 - Other variables: set optimizer_prune_level = 0;



MySQL 5.7: New Optimizer Hints

- Ny hint syntax:
 - SELECT /*+ HINT1(args) HINT2(args) */ ... FROM ...
- New hints:
 - BKA(tables)/NO_BKA(tables)
 - BNL(tables)/NO_BNL(tables)
 - MRR(table indexes)/NO_MRR(table indexes)
 - NO ICP(table indexes)
 - NO_RANGE_OPTIMIZATION(table indexes)
 - -QB NAME(name)
- Finer granularilty than optimizer_switch session variable



Optimizer Hints

Future hints

Hints for subquery / semi-join execution:

```
SELECT /*+ SEMIJOIN(@subq1 LOOSESCAN)

NO_SEMIJOIN(@subq2 DUPSWEEDOUT) */ a, b FROM t1

WHERE a IN (SELECT /*+ QB_NAME(subq1) c FROM t2 WHERE d > 10)

AND b IN (SELECT /*+ QB_NAME(subq2) e FROM t3);
```

- Other hints to consider
 - Enable/disable merge of views and derived tables
 - Force/ignore index_merge alternatives
 - − Join order: LEADING(t1 t2 ...)
- Plan to reimplement existing hints in new syntax



MySQL 5.7: Query Rewrite Plugin

- Rewrite problematic queries without the need to make application changes
 - Add hints
 - Modify join order
 - Much more ...
- Add rewrite rules to table:

```
INSERT INTO query_rewrite.rewrite_rules (pattern, replacement ) VALUES ("SELECT * FROM t1 WHERE a > ? AND b = ?",
"SELECT * FROM t1 FORCE INDEX (a_idx) WHERE a > ? AND b = ?");
```

- New pre and post parse query rewrite APIs
 - Users can write their own plug-ins



More information

- My blog:
 - http://oysteing.blogspot.com/
- Optimizer team blog:
 - http://mysqloptimizerteam.blogspot.com/
- MySQL Server Team blog
 - http://mysqlserverteam.com/
- MySQL forums:
 - Optimizer & Parser: http://forums.mysql.com/list.php?115
 - Performance: http://forums.mysql.com/list.php?24

