

New Feature Grand Prix

START YOUR ENGINES!

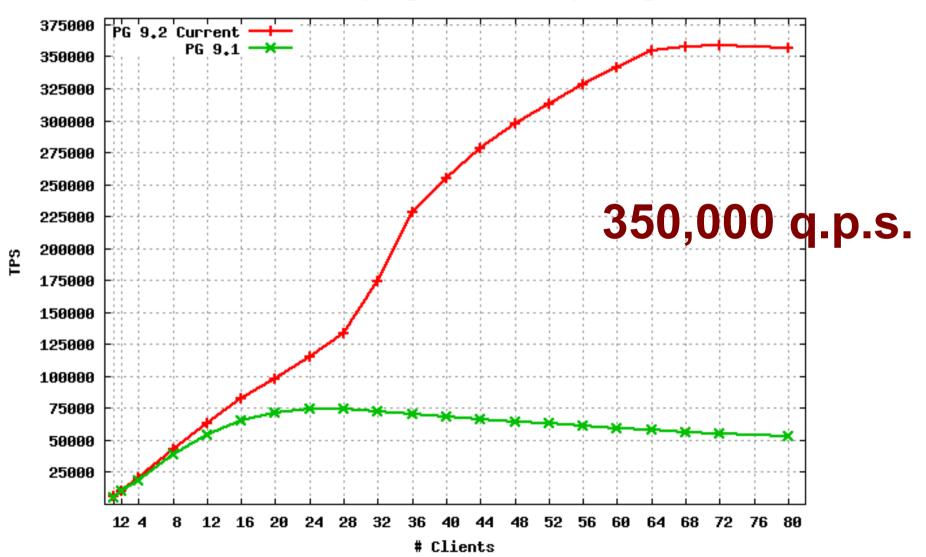


Read Scalability

- fast path sorting
- reduced overhead frequent table locks
- prproc shared memory optimization
- laxy vxid locks
- heap hot search buffer

Read Scalability

pgbench -S, PG 9.2devel as of commit d5881c03 8 x 8-core AMD 6272 Processors median of 3 5-minute runs, max_connections = 100, shared_buffers = 8GB

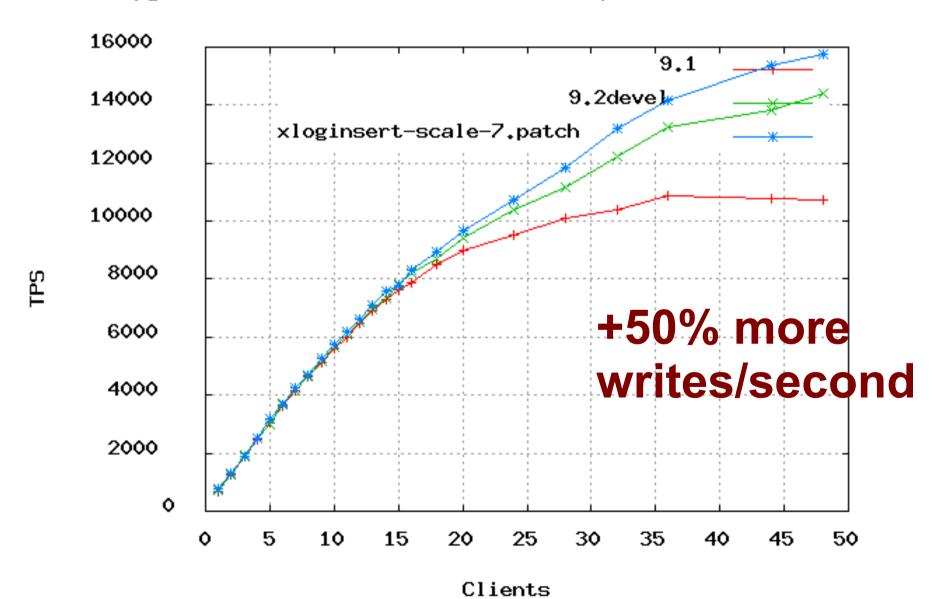


Write Performance

- better group commit
- reduce WallnsertLock contention
- batch tuple copy
- reduced checkpoint activity

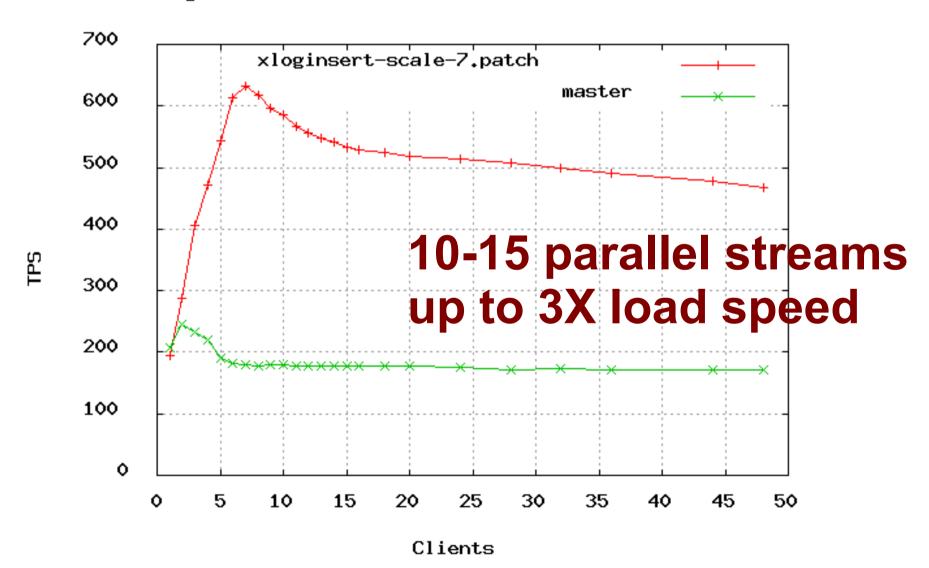
Write Scalability

pgbench transactions/sec (no branch update)

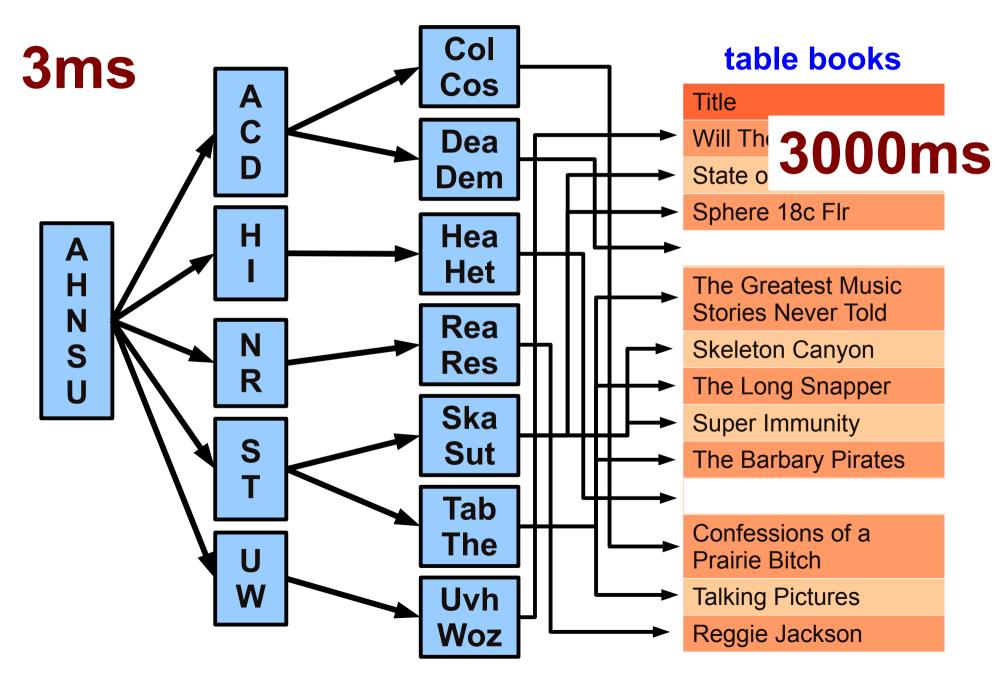


Parallel Bulk Load

large 1000 row INSERT transactions/sec

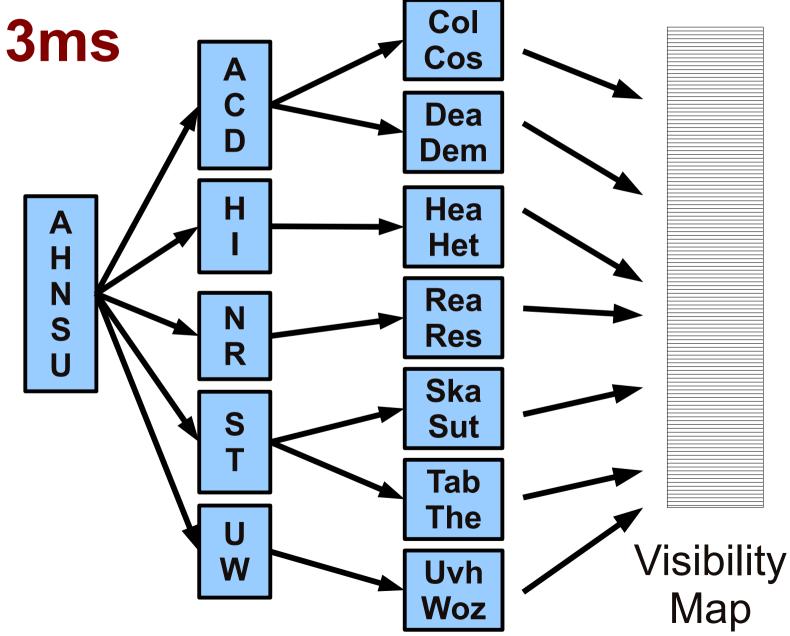


Index-Only Scans



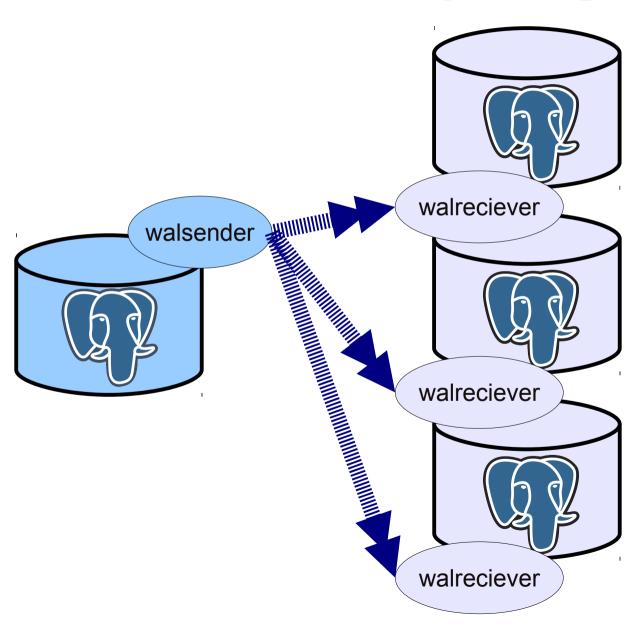
"count(*) is slow in postgres"

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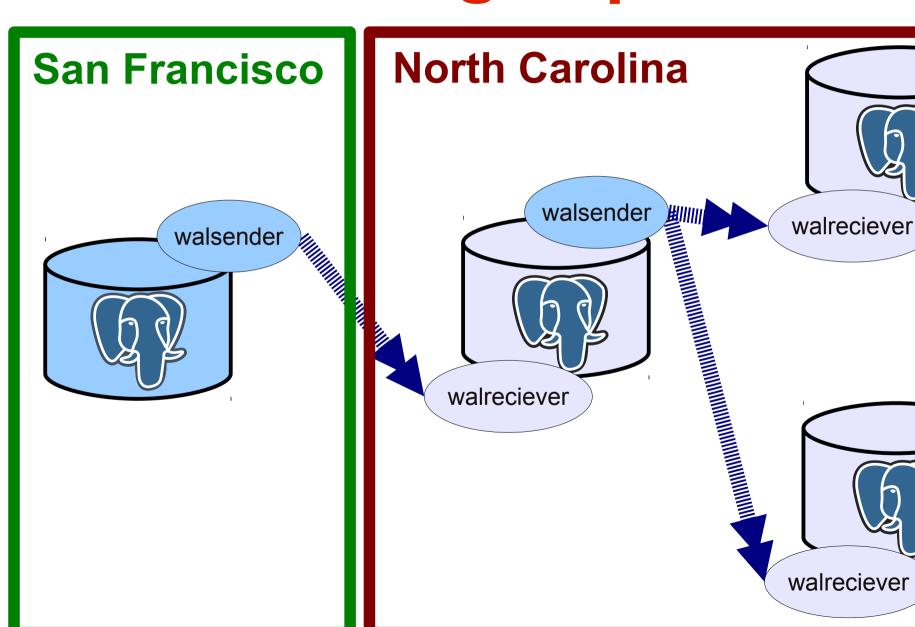


30ms

Cascading Replication



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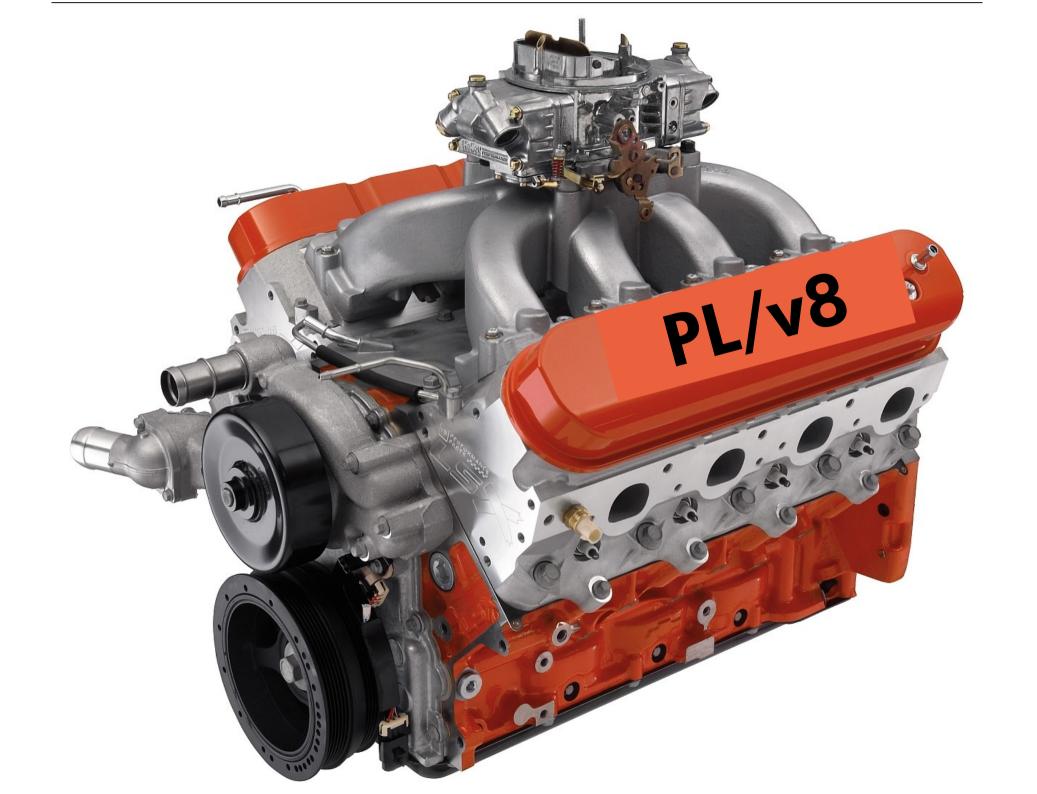


Replication Improvements

- pg_receivexlog an xlog stream reader
- standby-only backup
 no more snapshotting the master
- recv vs. write modes for synchronous replication

JSON

- JSON data type
- array-to-json, row-to-json functions
- get query results as JSON!

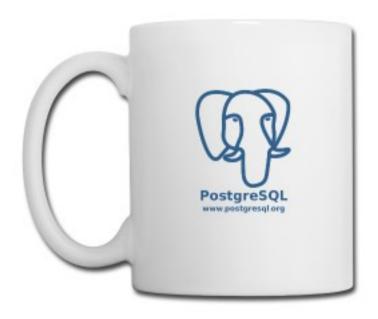


PL/v8

- Based on Google's v8 JS engine
- write fast stored procedures in JavaScript
- create ad-hoc attribute indexes on JSON data

A data type and PL made for each other!

pl/coffee

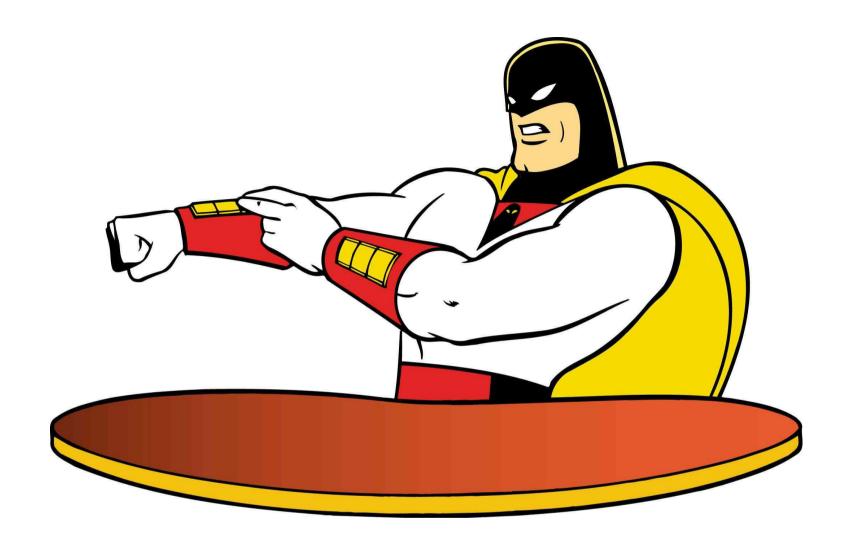


PL/coffee

```
=# CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION
public.fibonacci(n integer)
 RETURNS integer LANGUAGE plcoffee
IMMUTABLE STRICT
AS $function$
fibonacci = (x) \rightarrow
  return 0 if x == 0
  return 1 if x == 1
  return fibonacci(x-1) + fibonacci(x-2)
return fibonacci n
$function$;
CREATE FUNCTION
```

Indexing

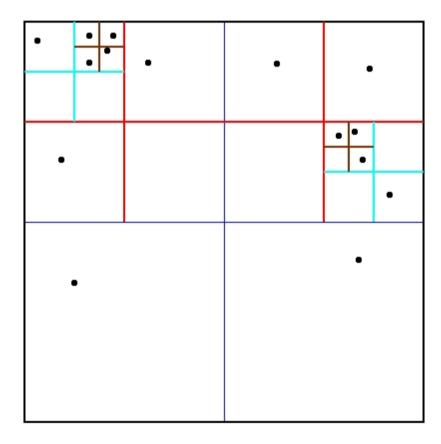
- 7.1: Generalized Search Tree (GiST)
- 8.1: Generalized Inverted Index (GIN)
- 9.1: K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN)



9.2: Space-GiST

SP-GiST

- Based on "Space-Partitioning Trees"
- Faster to read, faster to update than GiST
 - Will cause PostGIS 2.1!

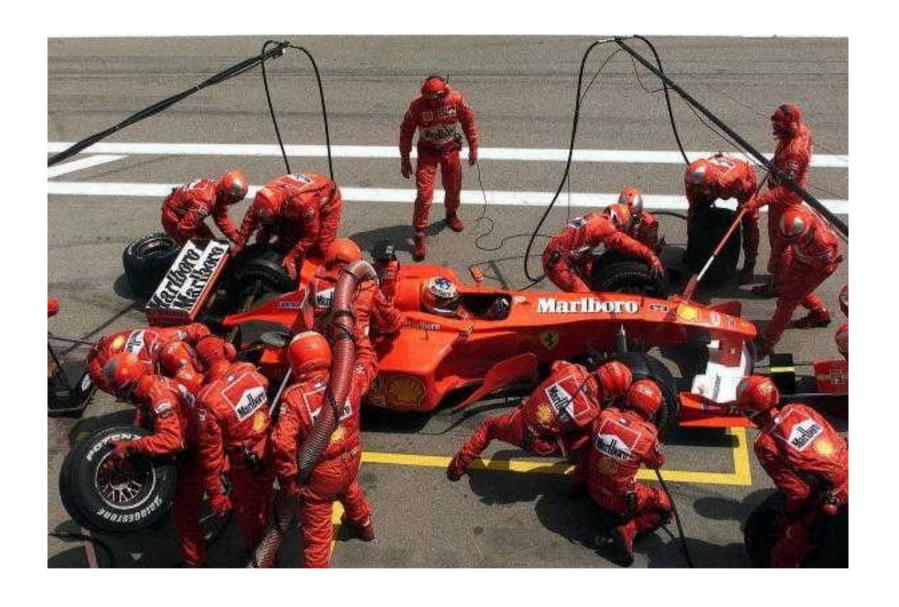


SP-GiST

```
knn=# create index pt gist idx on geo
using gist (point);
CREATE INDEX
Time: 36672.283 ms
Size: 153,124,864
knn=# create index pt spgist idx on geo
using spgist(point);
CREATE INDEX
Time: 12805.530 ms ~ 3 times faster!
Size: 153,788,416 \sim \text{the same size}
```

Range Types

- Temporal range:
 [2012-04-10, 2012-04-12)
- Alpha Index: (Abbe, Babel]
- Linear distance:
 (375.453, 374.441)



DDL pit stop

runtime DDL made easy

- DROP INDEX CONCURRENTLY
- NOT VALID CHECK constraints
- less rewriting for ALTER TABLE
- ALTER IF EXISTS
- RENAME domains, FDWs
- vacuum skips locked pages



Instrumentation

better monitoring

- new pg_stat_statements
- more autovacuum logging
- track_io_timing
- deadlock, temp file counters
- checkpoint timing in pg_stat_bgwriter

better EXPLAIN

- track buffers dirtied/written
- report filtered-out rows
- no-TIMING option

W-w-w-iiiiiiiipeout!



didn't make it

- FK locks optimization
- data page checksums
- regexp indexing
- command triggers
- pgsql_fdw data federation
- parallel pg_dump

Other Features

- lower CPU wakeups (power saving)
- more sepgsql security
- optimizer improvements
- pg_hba.conf fixes
- XML improvements
- exportable snapshots

Other Features

- more pg_dump/pg_restore options
- more psql features
- more pg_upgrade fixes, improvements
- dropped support for antiques
 - dgux, nextstep, sunos4, svr4, ultrix4, univel, bsdi



More Information

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- Events
 - S.E.L.F., OpenDBCon: June 7-11, Charlotte
 - pgOpen: Chicago, Sept. 14-17



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