



# Query Performance for Data Engineers



**SmartData**

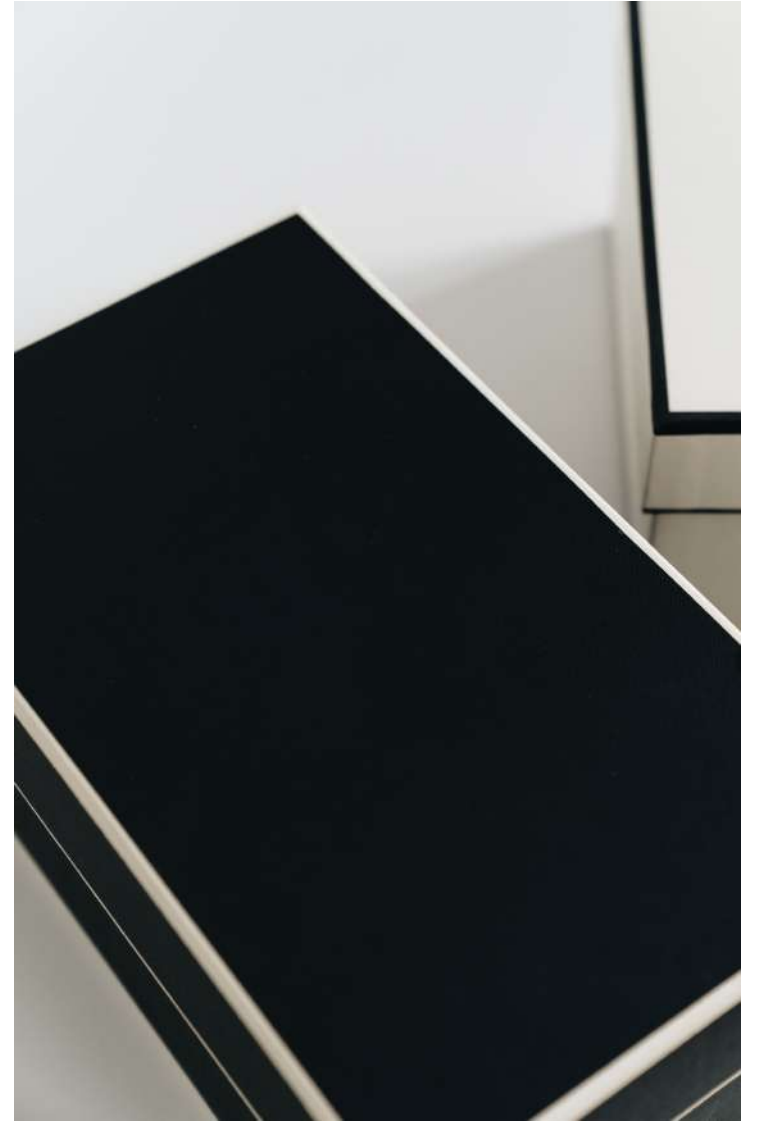
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# Database is a Black Box





**You can connect to the Database Service Point, Quickly**



**Run Queries you need to run**

**Meaning**

# Queries

1

**Run them  
without  
errors**

2

**Run them  
with correct  
results**

3

**Run them  
with required  
response  
time**



# Performance

**Performance is about Response Time  
you get for your Queries**

# Response Time - Database View

**"I see database responds to  
queries in 5ms in average"**



# Response Time – Business View

**All Users have outstanding  
performance experience with all their  
application interactions**





# Downtime

**Very Bad Performance is  
indistinguishable from downtime**

# Over Time



LOOK AT RESPONSE TIME  
TRENDS OVER TIME



MINOR SLOWDOWN OFTEN  
HAPPENS BEFORE POOR  
PERFORMANCE  
“DOWNTIME”



PERFORMANCE CAN BE  
WORSE AT CERTAIN TIMES –  
BACKUPS, BATCH JOBS,  
MAINTENANCE



# What Drives Performance ?

Performance  
Depends on

**Amount of data which  
needs to be processed**

**Processing Speed**

**Logical** –  
Actually needed  
to deliver result

**Physical** – Which  
end up needing  
to be processed

Amount of Data

# Impacting Logical Data Size



**Schema**



**Query Plan**



**Summarized, Pre-  
Generated Data**



**Caching**

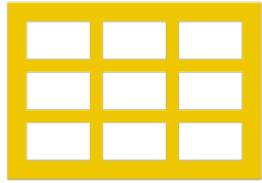
# Impacting Physical Data Size

**Row store vs Column Store**

**Normalization and De-Normalization**

**Compression, Dictionaries**

**“Indexes”**



Sort Index , Multiple  
Sorting



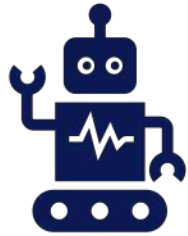
Skip Indexes (ie  
Min/Max Value based)



Bloom Filters

## Indexes – Beyond BTree





**Algorithms**



**Hardware**



**Resource Sharing**

**Processing Speed**

# Algorithms



**Most Advanced Algorithms**



**High Level and Low Level Optimization**



**Lots of innovation constantly happening**

# Hardware

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Processor speed

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GPU Speed And Capabilities

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Vectorized Execution Capability

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Memory amount and Bandwidth

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Network Bandwidth

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Storage Bandwidth

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Number of CPU Cores/Threads

Execution

**Vectorized Execution**

**Parallelized Execution**

**Distributed Execution**

# Data Storage

**In Memory**

**On Disk**

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# Fixed Resources

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# Dynamic Resources

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# Mixed (Dynamic Storage)

Analytical Use  
Case

Sustained

Periodic

# Performance and Cost

## **Cost Per Environment vs Cost Per Execution**



# Architecture Trends



**Serverless**



**Separation of Storage and Compute**



**Cloud Native**

# Tradeoffs

**No Perfect Solution, All about finding optimal tradeoffs**



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