

Brie: A Specialized Trie for Concurrent Datalog

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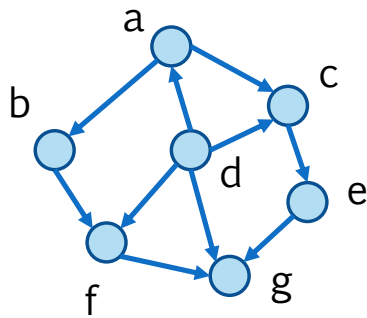


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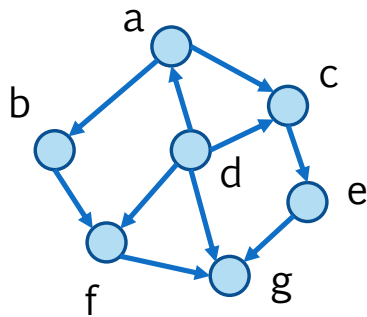
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edge relation

Are there cycles?

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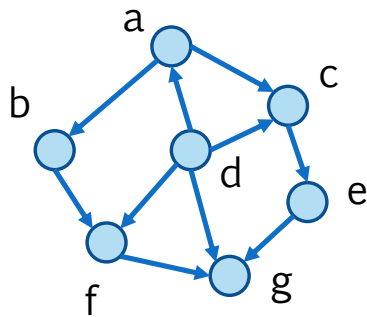
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edge relation

Is the graph
connected?

Datalog (by Example)



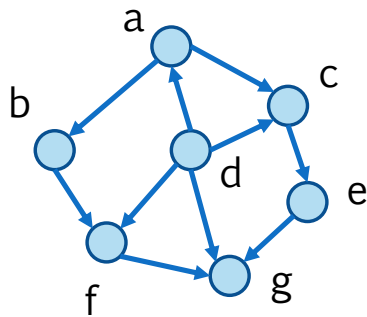
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edge relation

Which nodes
are connected?

Datalog (by Example)



graph

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edge relation

```
path(X,Y) :- edge(X,Y).
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path(X,Z) :- path(X,Y),  
              edge(Y,Z).
```

Datalog
query



Datalog

› Benefits:

- a **concise** formalism for **powerful** data analysis
- lately **major performance improvements** and tool support

› Applications:

- data base queries
- program analysis
- security vulnerability analysis
- network analysis



100s of **relations** and **rules**,
billions of **tuples**,
all **in-memory**

Query Processing

relations



set of integer tuples

rules



sequence of
relational algebra
operations on sets

Example

`path(X,Z) :- path(X,Y), edge(Y,Z).`



delta \leftarrow *path*

while (*delta* $\neq \emptyset$) {

new $\leftarrow \pi(\textit{delta} \bowtie \textit{edge}) \setminus \textit{path}$

path $\leftarrow \textit{path} \cup \textit{new}$

delta $\leftarrow \textit{new}$

}



computational
expensive and
dominating part

Needed

- › efficient data structure for relations
 - maintain set of n-dimensional tuples

- efficient support for

- › insertion,
- › scans,
- › range queries,
- › membership tests,
- › emptiness checks



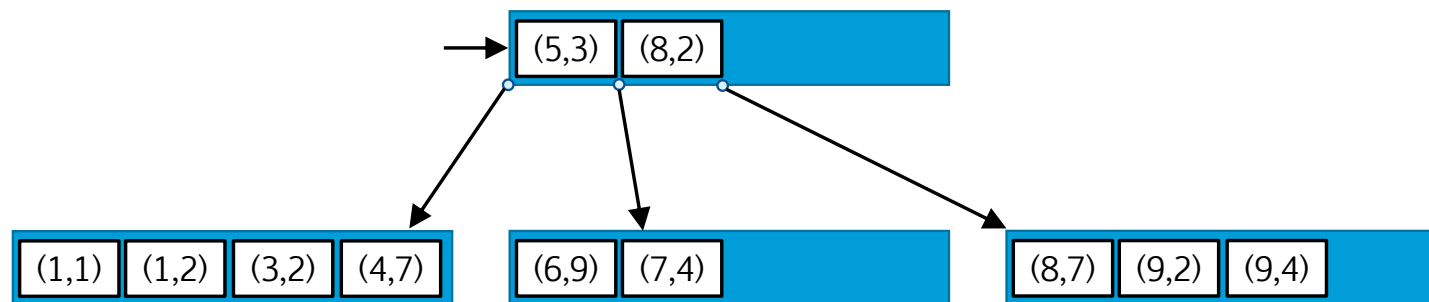
well supported
by **B-trees**

- efficient synchronization of
concurrent inserts



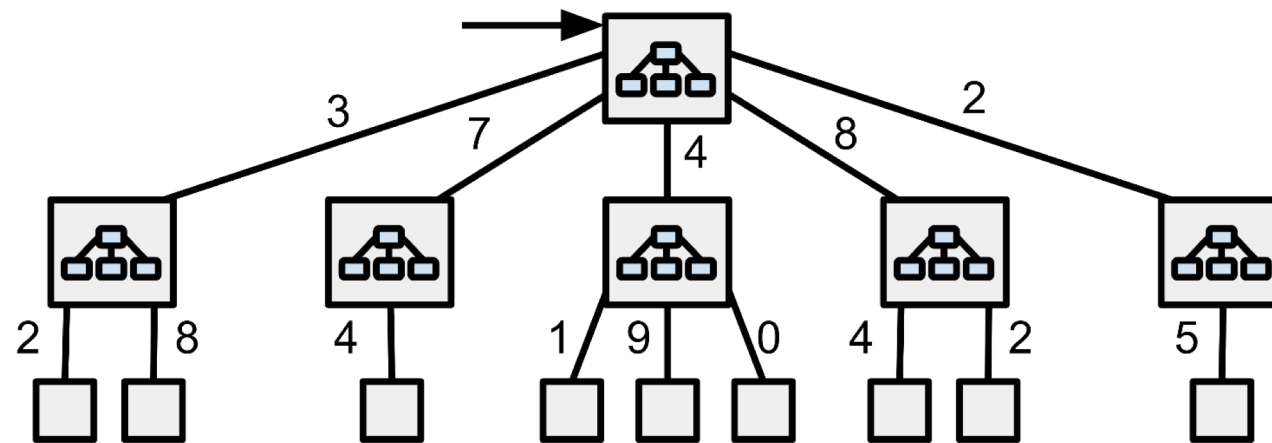
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B-tree Issues

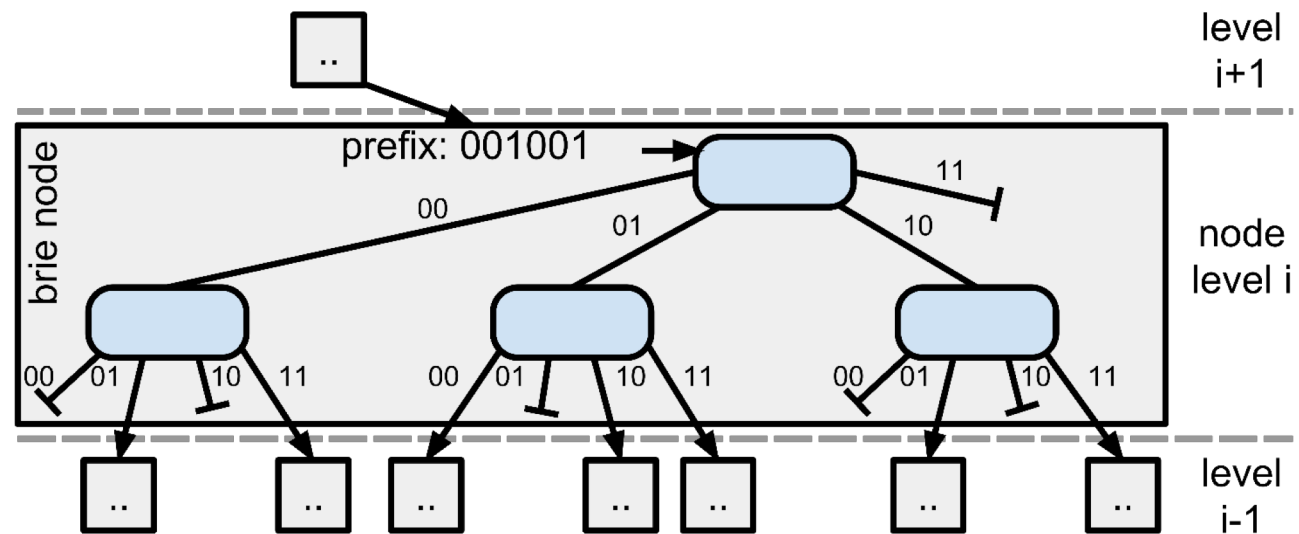


- › Concurrent inserts:
 - require **sophisticated locking** scheme
 - while holding locks, **costly operations** are performed
 - › binary search operations, and inserts in sorted arrays

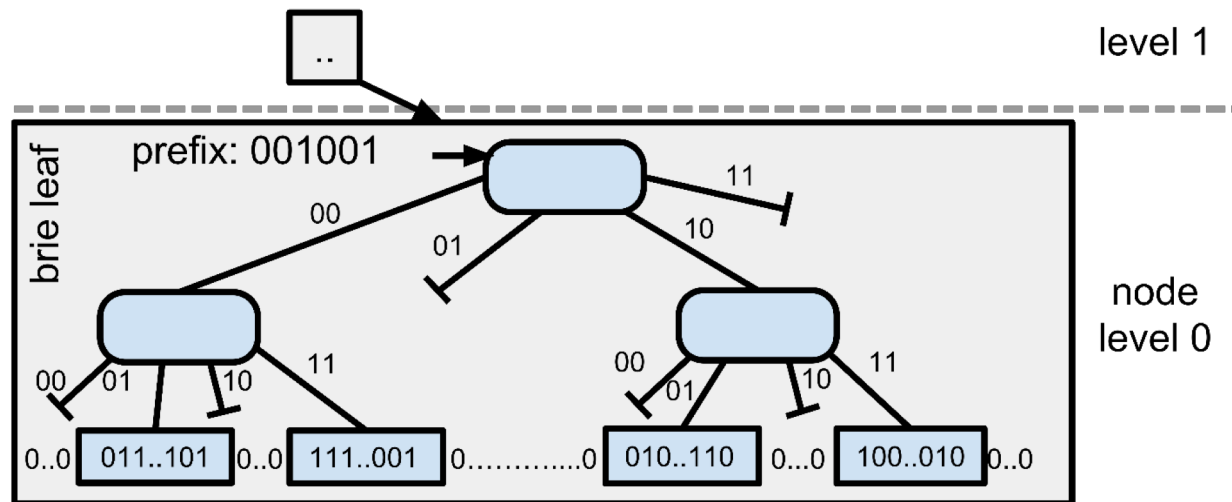
Brie



Brie – Inner Node



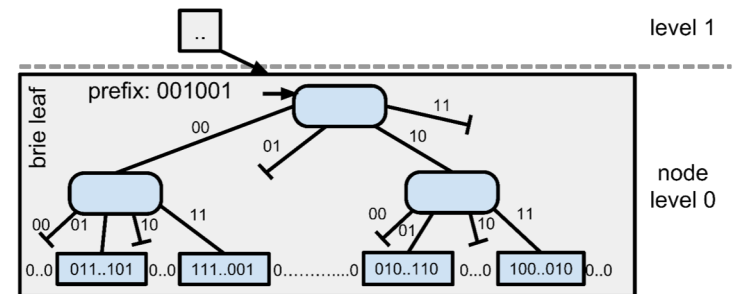
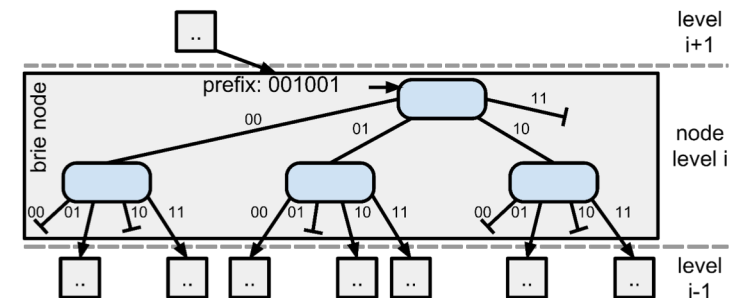
Brie – Leaf Node



Synchronizing Inserts

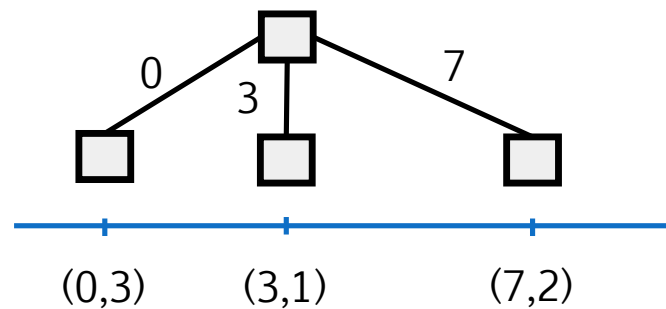
› Insertion

1. navigate down the tree
 - › insert sub-trees on demand using **CAS**
2. If inner node tree needs to grow
 - › introduce new root node using **CAS**
3. add 1-bit to leaf level mask
 - › using **atomic bitwise or**

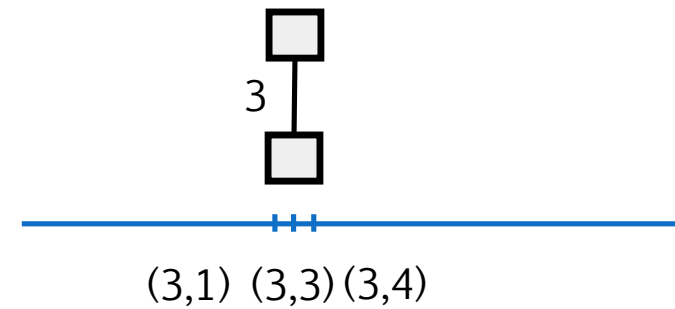


Data Density

Performance is density dependent:



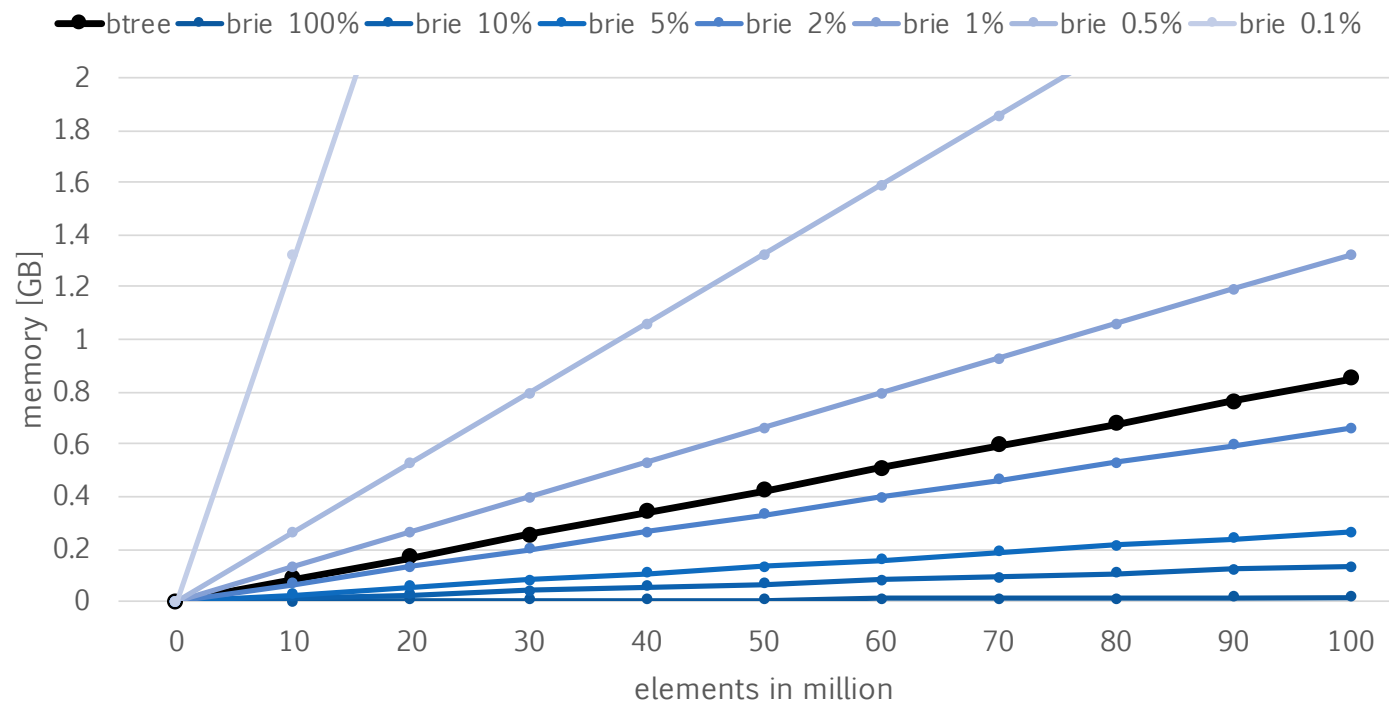
low density



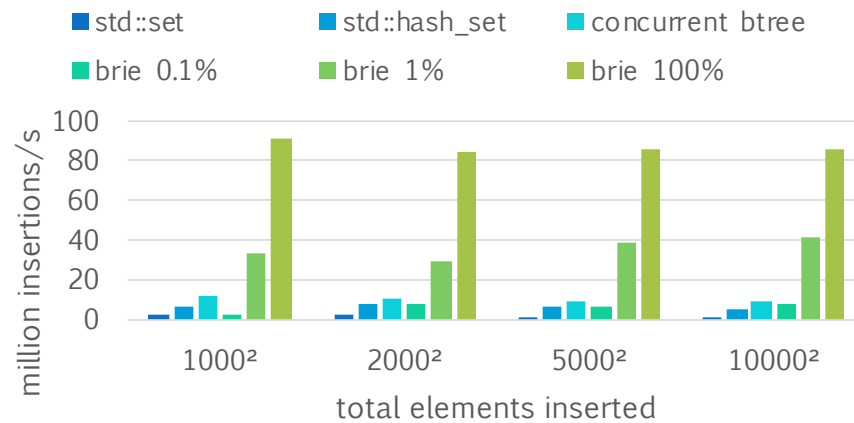
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Density: ratio of included points vs. spanned interval

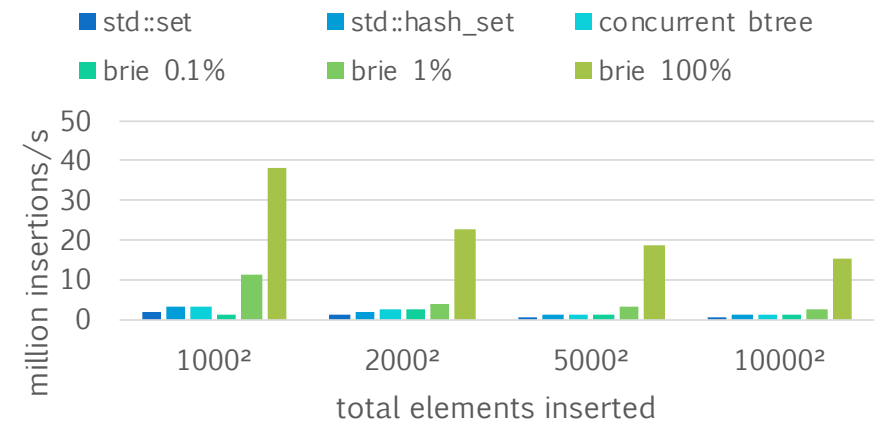
Memory Usage



Sequential Performance

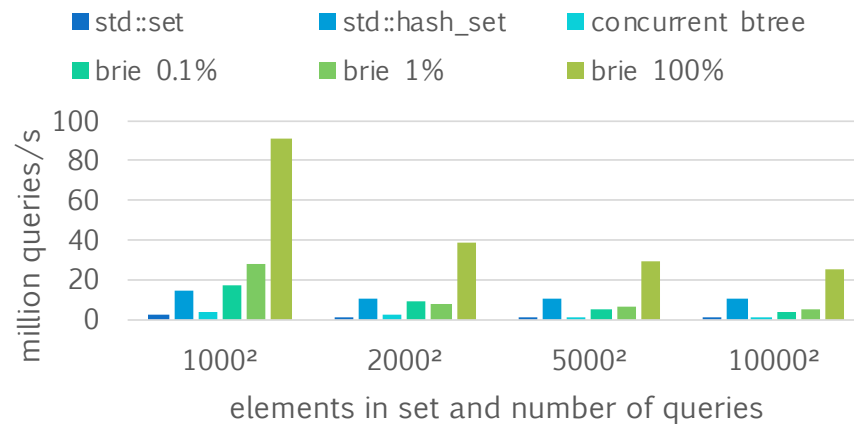


ordered insertion

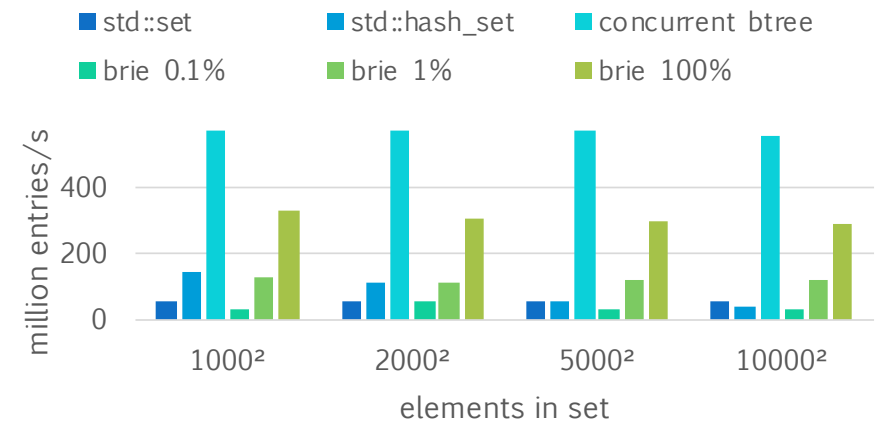


random order insertion

Sequential Performance (2)

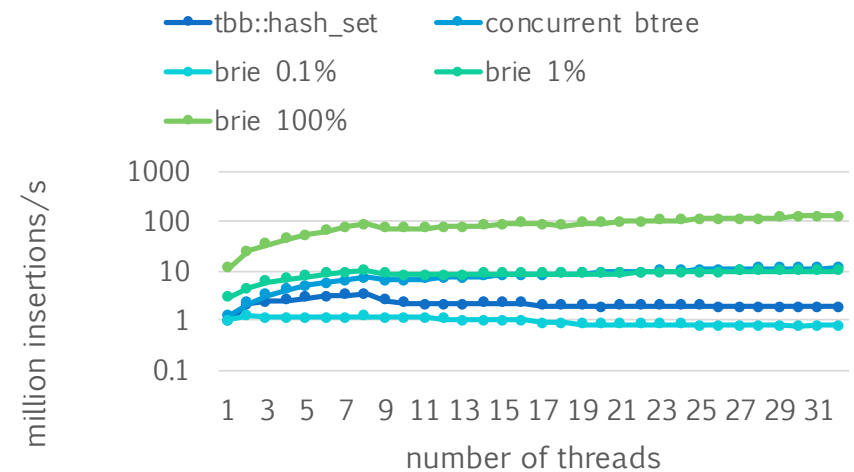
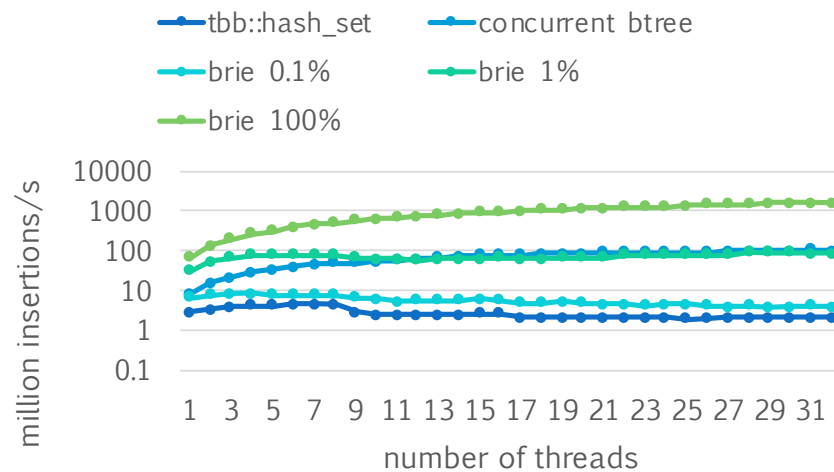


membership test (random order)



full range scan

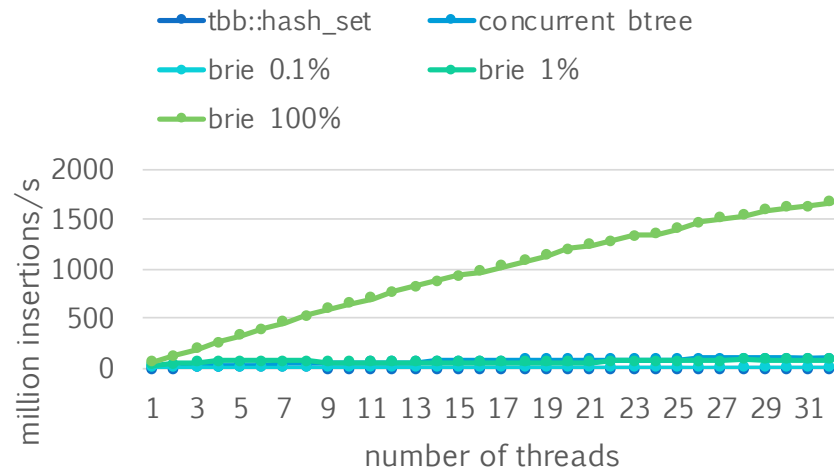
Parallel Performance



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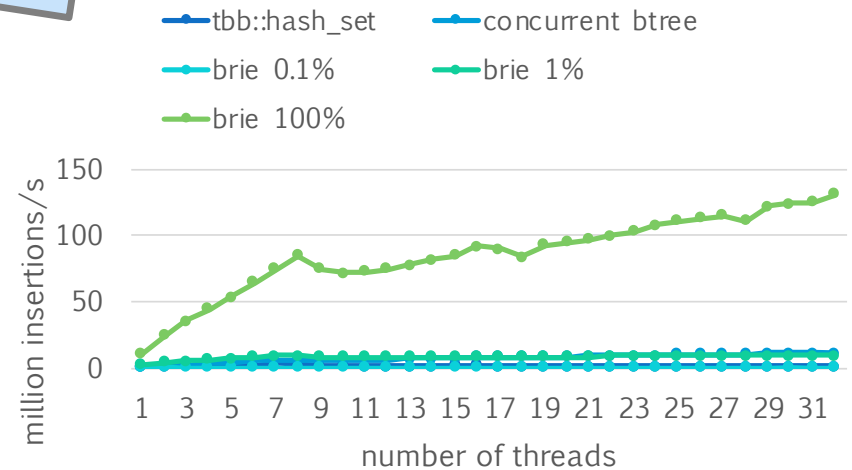
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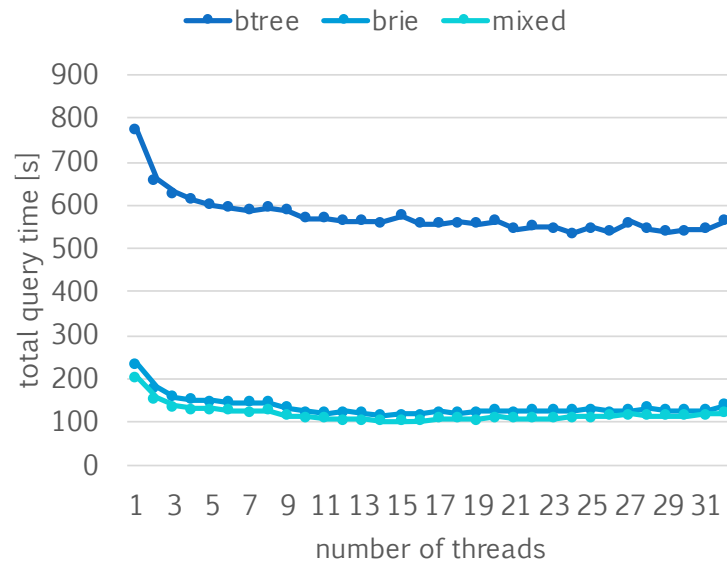
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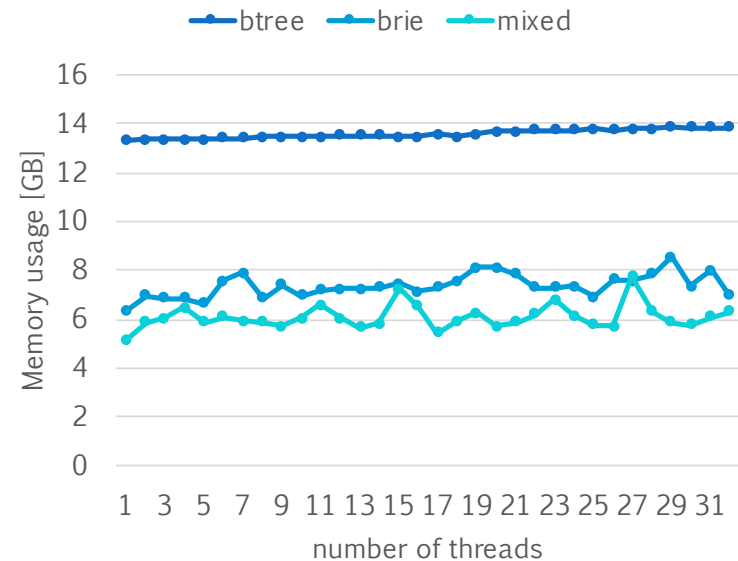


Datalog Query Processing

~4x faster



-50% memory



context sensitive
var-points-to analysis



Conclusion

- › Developed concurrent set for Datalog relations:
 - Trie derived structure + blocked nodes
 - › enables **fast** relational operations
 - Low overhead synchronization
 - › **atomic operation** based synchronization sufficient
- › Results:
 - up to **5-17x** faster for sequential insert and query operations
 - up to **15x** faster for parallel insertion operations
 - up to **4x** faster and **50%** less memory for real-world **query processing**
- › Future work:
 - investigate other data structures for specialized use cases



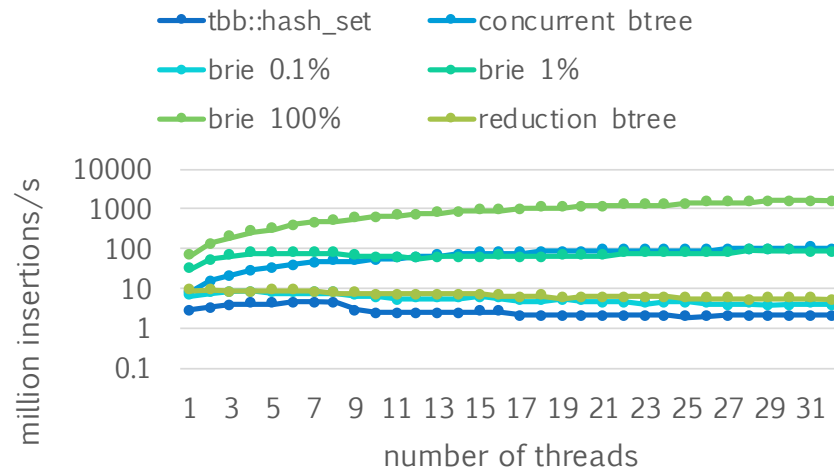
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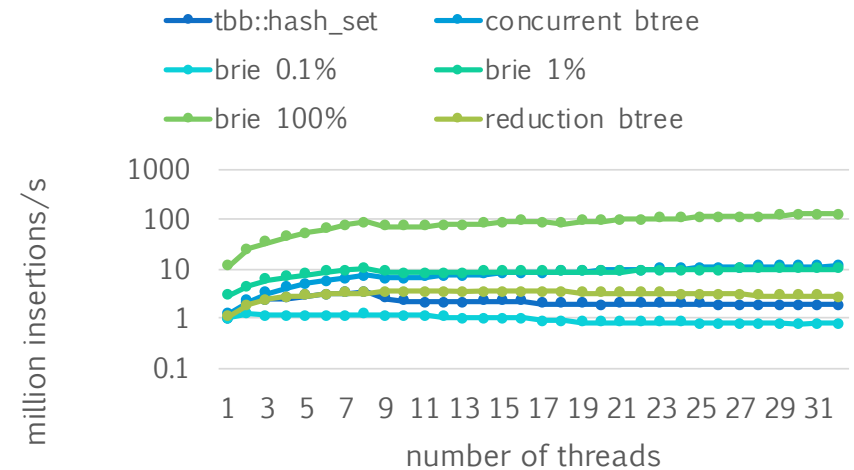
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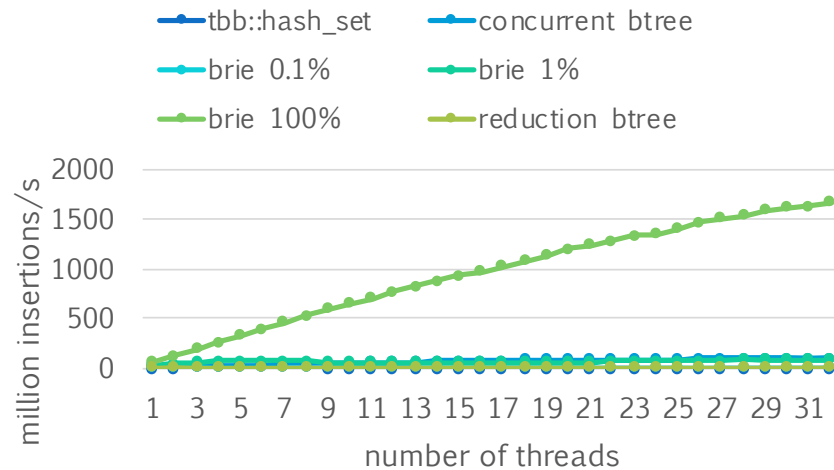


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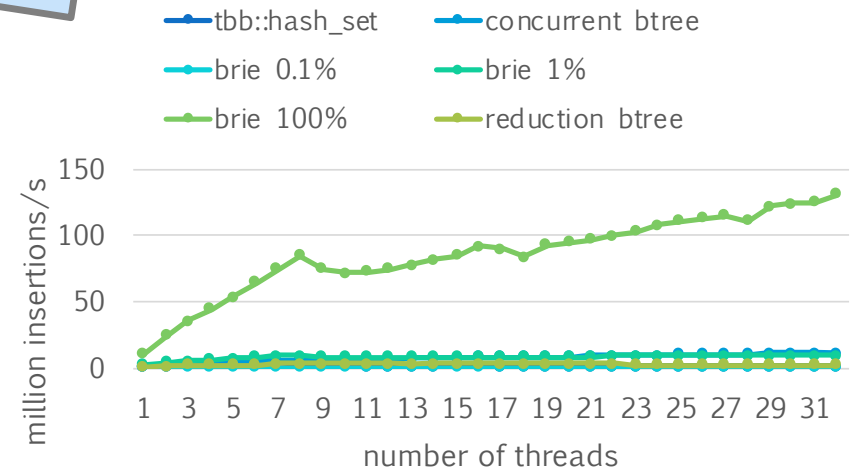
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Example

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```
delta ← path
while ( delta ≠ ∅ ) {
    new ← π(delta ⋈ edge) \ path
    path ← path ∪ new
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}
```