What is new in PostgreSQL 14

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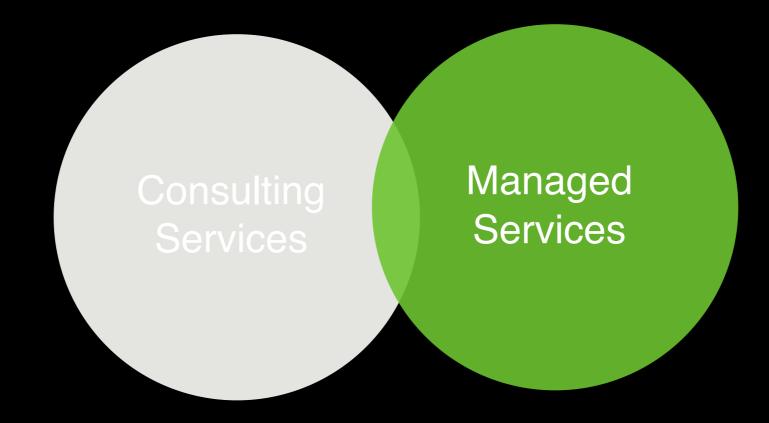


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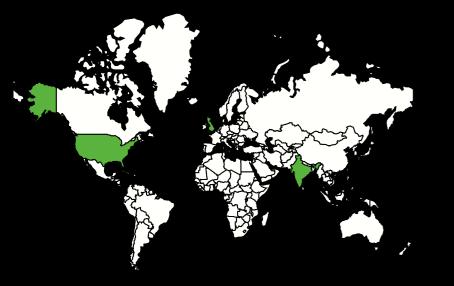








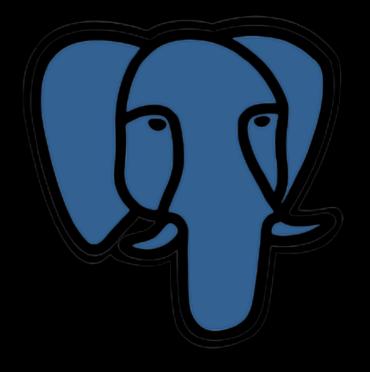








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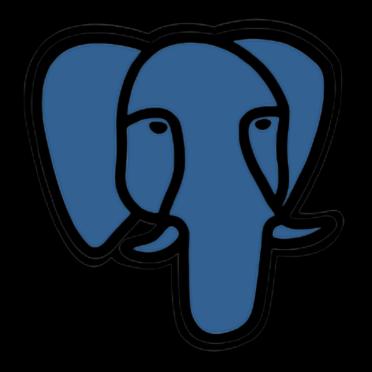


Overview

- Released on September 30, 2021
- With a lot of new features and bug fixed
- Every Quarter Minor Releases
- Every Third Quarter Major Release



New Features





PostgreSQL 14 Features

O1 Server Side Enhancements



02 Improvements to Query Parallelism



03 Security Enhancements



O4 Features for Application Developers





PostgreSQL 14 Features

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Server Side Enhancements



Reducing B Tree Index Bloat



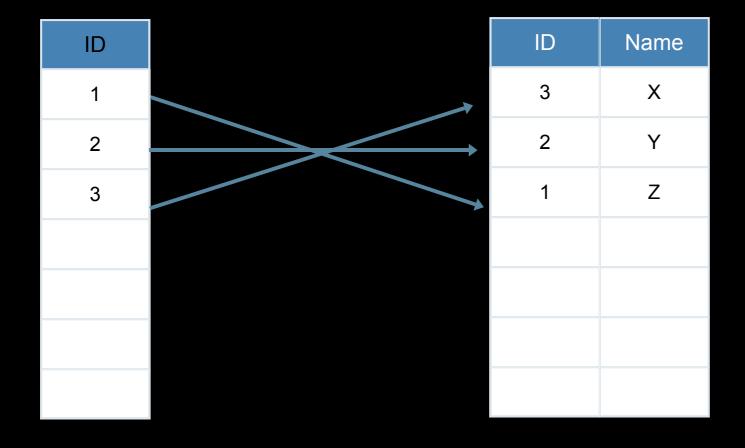
BLOAT

- Dead tuples Bloat
- Vacuum Mark it as Reusable
- Index page scan becomes huge
- Unnecessary pages in RAM

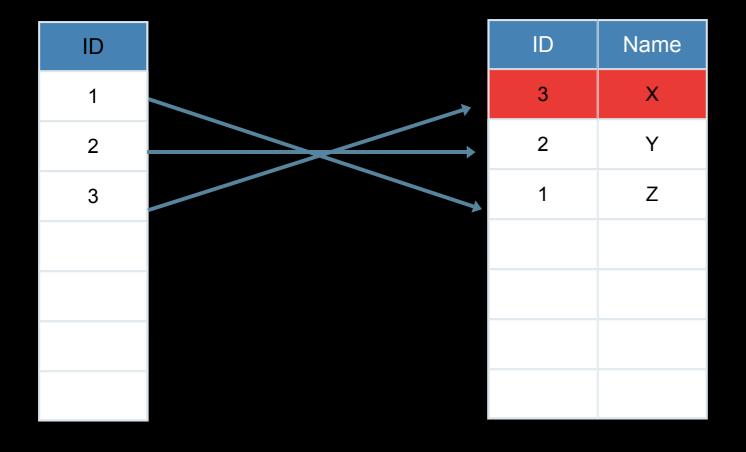


- Version 8.3
- No need to update index

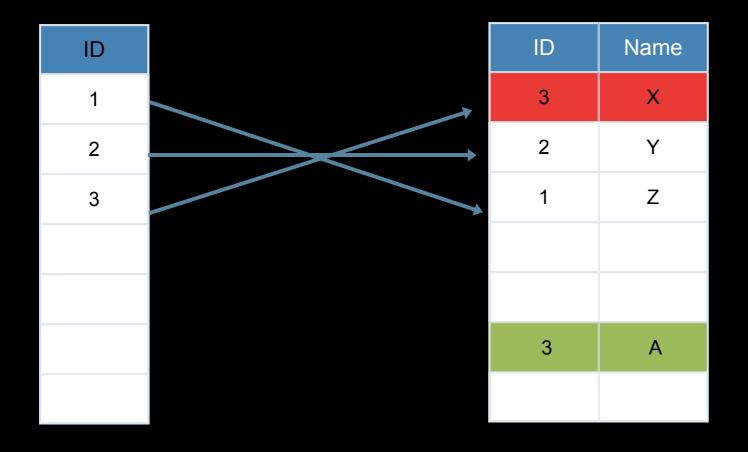




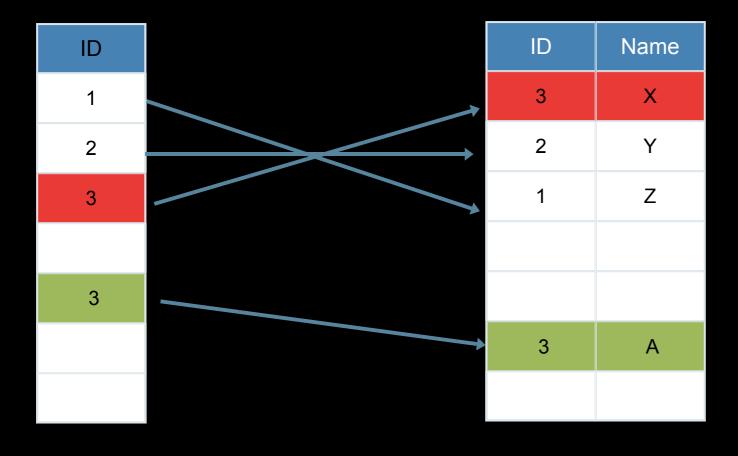




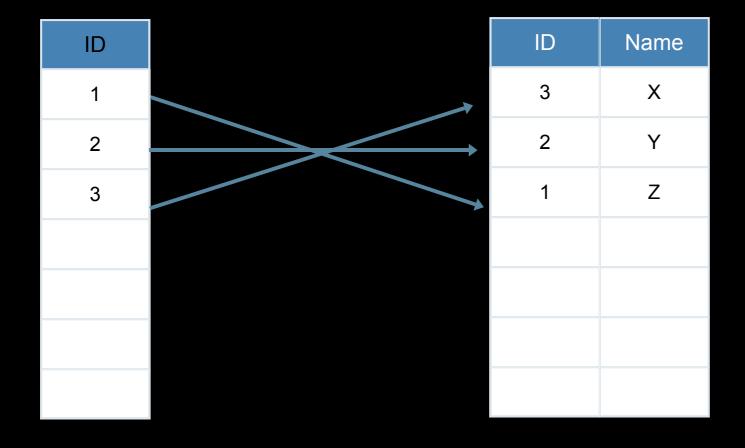




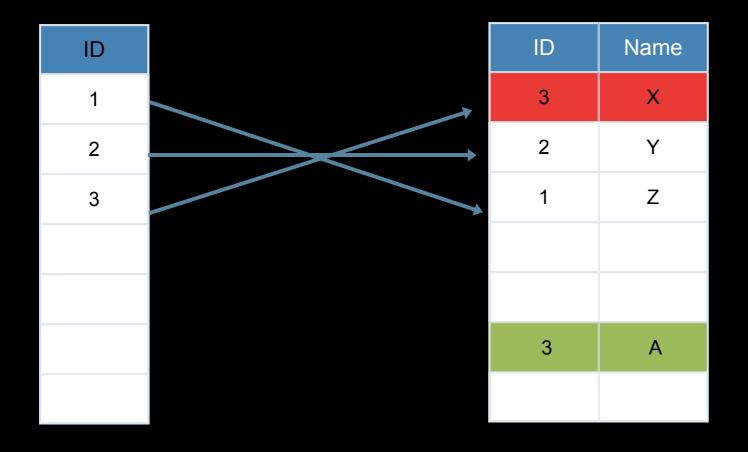




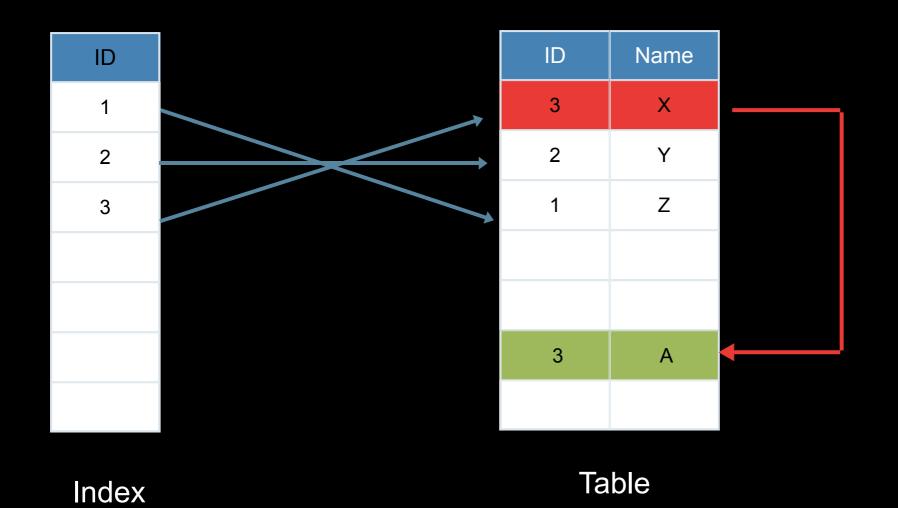














Killed Index Tuples

```
CREATE UNLOGGED TABLE test (
   id integer PRIMARY KEY,
   val text NOT NULL
 WITH (autovacuum enabled = off);
INSERT INTO test SELECT i, 'text number ' || i FROM
generate series(1, 1000000) AS i;
DELETE FROM test WHERE id BETWEEN 501 AND 799500;
Analyze test;
```



Killed Index Tuples

```
test=# EXPLAIN (ANALYZE, BUFFERS, COSTS OFF, TIMING OFF)
SELECT * FROM test WHERE id BETWEEN 1 AND 800000;
                           QUERY PLAN
 Index Scan using test pkey on test (actual rows=1000
loops=1)
   Index Cond: ((id >= 1) AND (id <= 800000))
   Buffers: shared hit=7284
 Planning:
   Buffers: shared hit=25
 Planning Time: 0.204 ms
 Execution Time: 95.223 ms
(7 \text{ rows})
```

Killed Index Tuples

```
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                            QUERY PLAN
 Index Scan using test pkey on test (actual rows=1000
\overline{1}oops=1)
   Index Cond: ((id >= 1) AND (id <= 800000))
   Buffers: shared hit=2196
 Planning:
   Buffers: shared hit=8
 Planning Time: 0.196 ms
 Execution Time: 3.815 ms
(7 \text{ rows})
```



Bottom-Up Index Tuple Deletion

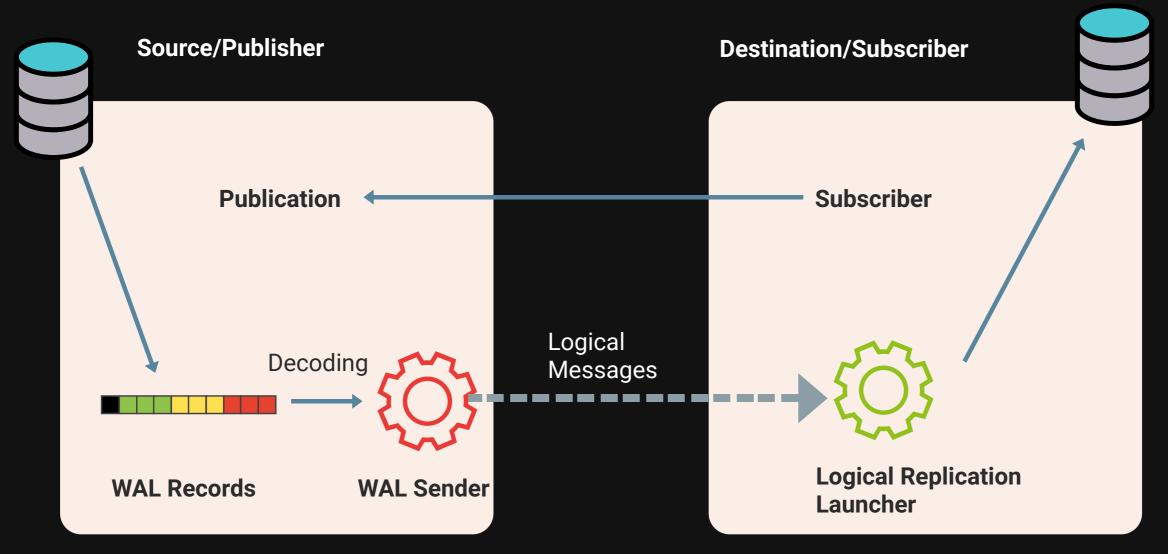
- Introduced in Version 14
- Delete Index Entries pointed to dead tuples
- Performing the operation of the VACUUM



Replicating in-progress Transactions

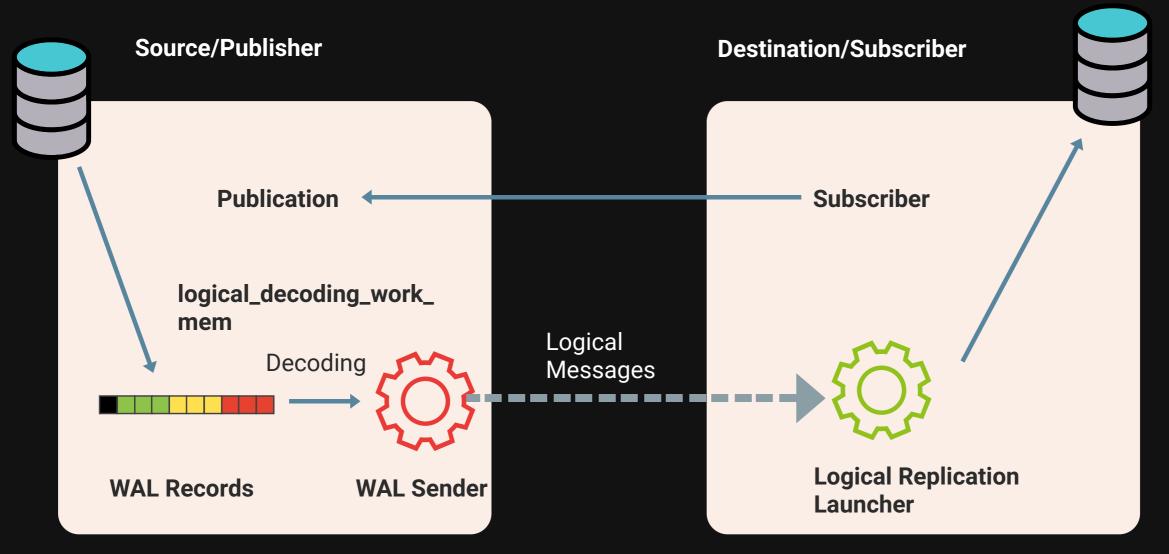


Logical Replication - Publisher/Subscriber Model



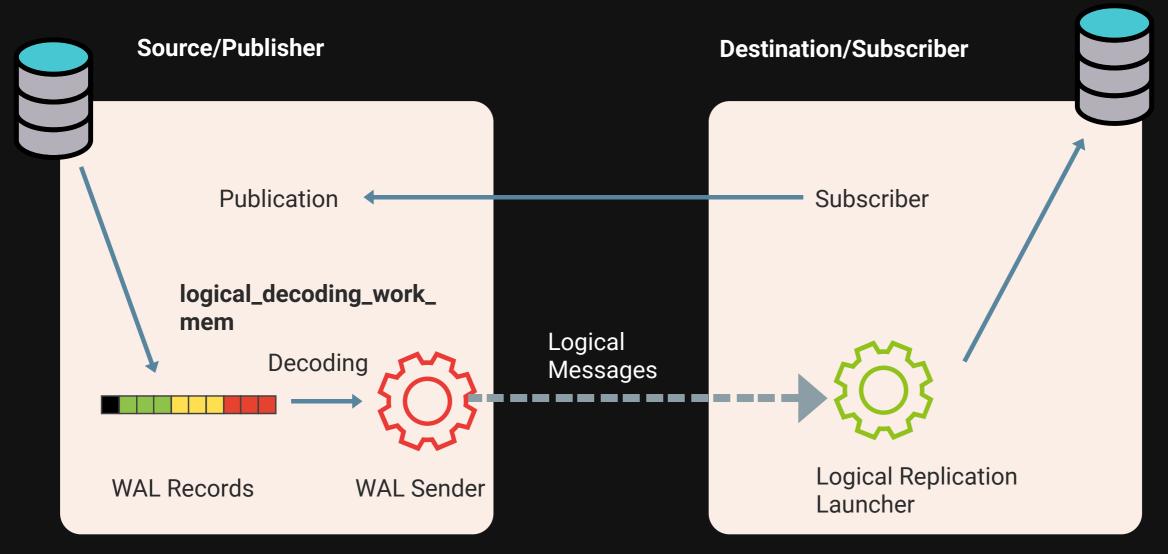


logical_decoding_work_mem - PostgreSQL 13

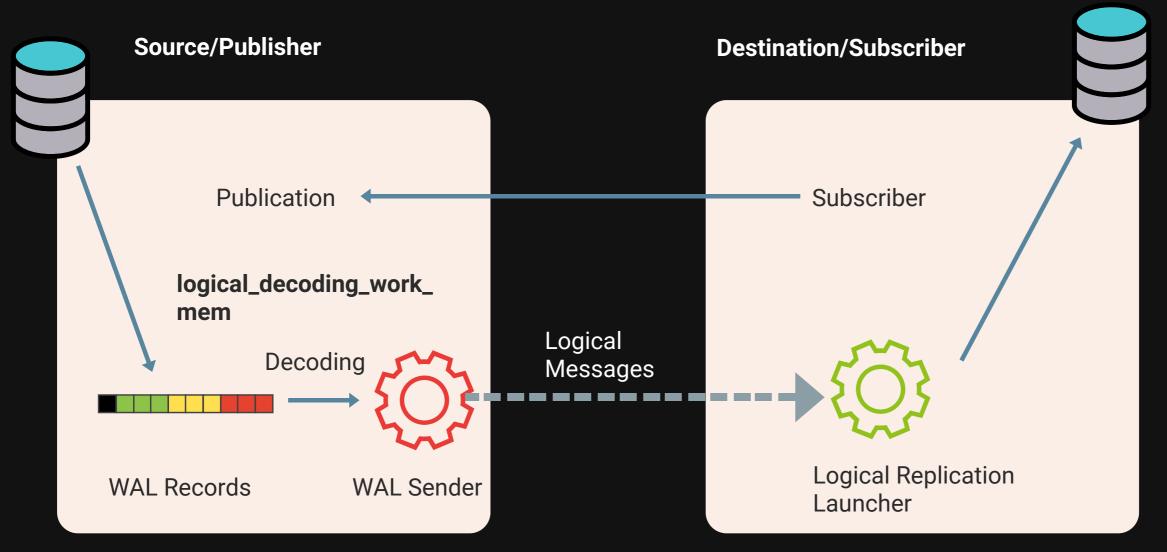




Logical Decode Work Mem - PostgreSQL 13









```
[publisher configurations]:
wal_level = logical
synchronous_standby_names = '*'
logical decoding work mem=1MB
```



```
[publisher setup]

CREATE TABLE test(id int ,name text);
CREATE PUBLICATION test_pub FOR TABLE test;
[subscription setup]

CREATE TABLE test(id int ,name text);
CREATE SUBSCRIPTION test_sub CONNECTION 'host=127.0.0.1
port=5432 dbname=postgres' PUBLICATION test pub;
```



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```



```
INSERT INTO test SELECT i, REPEAT('x', 10) FROM
generate_series(1,5000000) AS i;
Time Taken for Commit : 6.7 Secs
```



```
ALTER SUBSCRIPTION test_sub SET(STREAMING = ON)

INSERT INTO test SELECT i, REPEAT('x', 10) FROM generate_series(1,5000000) AS i;

Time taken for COMMIT: 3.5 secs
```



LZ4 Toast Compression



TOAST

- Mechanism used to avoid exceeding the size of data block
- Try Compress
- Wider field values into a smaller pieces
- Default, this is 2KB
- Every table will have its own toast table



New Compression Configuration

- pglz in built compression
- Iz4 New compression method added
- New Configuration Variable default_toast_compression
- --with-lz4



Idle Session Timeout



Idle_session_timeout

- New variable
- Almost the same purpose of idle_in_transaction_session_timeout



idle_in_transaction_session_timeout

- Available since PostgreSQL 9.6
- Maximum allowed idle time between queries, when in transaction



idle_in_transaction_session_timeout

Opened a new session

```
postgres=# set idle_in_transaction_session_timeout=2000;
SET
postgres=#
```

Started a new transaction

idle_in_transaction_session_timeout

```
postgres=# start transaction;
START TRANSACTION
postgres=*# select name, setting from pg settings where name =
'idle in transaction session timeout' \sqrt{gx}
-[RE\overline{C}OR\overline{D} 1]-----
name | idle in transaction session timeout
setting | 2000
postgres=*# select name, setting from pg settings where name =
'idle in transaction session timeout' \sqrt{gx}
FATAL: Terminating connection due to idle-in-transaction timeout
server closed the connection unexpectedly
        This probably means the server terminated abnormally
        before or while processing the request.
The connection to the server was lost. Attempting reset:
Succeeded.
postgres=#
```



Idle_session_timeout

Maximum idle time between the queries, when not in a transaction

```
postgres=# set Idle session timeout = 5000;
SET
postgres=# select name, setting from pg settings where name =
'idle in transaction session timeout' \gx
-[ RECORD 1 ]---------
name | idle in transaction session timeout
setting | 0
postgres=# select name, setting from pg settings where name =
'idle in transaction session timeout' \gx
FATAL: terminating connection due to idle-session timeout
server closed the connection unexpectedly
       This probably means the server terminated abnormally
       before or while processing the request.
The connection to the server was lost. Attempting reset
Succeeded.
```

Idle_session_timeout

- Helps to handle idle connections
- Apply only for the upcoming connections
- Should have higher value than application timeout



Improvement to Query Parallelism





- Database Object
- Stores only the result of the query
- Refresh needs to be done



Loaded data in PostgreSQL 13

```
(postgres13) => CREATE TABLE table test (grp int, data numeric);
CREATE TABLE
Time: 3.282 ms
(postgres13) =>
(postgres13) => INSERT INTO table test SELECT 100, random() FROM
generate series(1, 5000000);
INSERT 0 500000
Time: 8064.350 ms (00:08.064)
(postgres13) =>
(postgres13) => INSERT INTO table test SELECT 200, random() FROM
generate series(1, 5000000);
INSERT 0 5000000
Time: 9250.536 ms (00:09.251)
(postgres13) =>
```

Loaded data in PostgreSQL 14

```
(postgres14) => CREATE TABLE table test (grp int, data numeric);
CREATE TABLE
Time: 13.577 ms
(postgres14) =>
(postgres14) => INSERT INTO table test SELECT 100, random() FROM
generate series(1, 5000000);
INSERT 0 5000000
Time: 7204.919 ms (00:07.205)
(postgres14) =>
(postgres14) => INSERT INTO table test SELECT 200, random() FROM
generate series(1, 5000000);
INSERT 0 5000000
Time: 8618.068 ms (00:08.618)
```

Time: 965.867 ms

Executing a query on both version

```
(postgres13) => SELECT grp, avg(data), count(*) FROM table test
GROUP BY 1;
                                 count
grp | avg
100 | 0.499979689549607876793 | 5000000
200 | 0.500123546167930387393 | 5000000
(2 \text{ rows})
Time: 960.802 ms
(postgres14) => SELECT grp, avg(data), count(*) FROM table test
GROUP BY 1;
grp avg
                                 count
100 | 0.500173019196875804072 | 5000000
200 | 0.500065682335289928739 | 5000000
(2 \text{ rows})
```

Creating materialized view for the static table

```
(postgres13) => CREATE MATERIALIZED VIEW test_view AS SELECT grp,
avg(data), count(*) FROM table_test GROUP BY 1;
SELECT 2
Time: 983.138 ms

(postgres14) => CREATE MATERIALIZED VIEW test_view AS SELECT grp,
avg(data), count(*) FROM table_test GROUP BY 1;
SELECT 2
Time: 978.225 ms
(postgres14) =>
```



Querying the materialized view instead of table

```
(postgres13) => select * from test view;
                                    count
 grp
                 avq
      0.499979689549607876793 | 5000000
 100 |
    0.500123546167930387393 | 5000000
(2 rows)
Time: 0.561 ms
(postgres14) => select * from test view;
                                    count
 grp
                 avq
 100 | 0.500173019196875804072 | 5000000
 200 | 0.500065682335289928739 | 5000000
(2 \text{ rows})
Time: 0.540 ms
```



Refreshing the materialized view to get the updated result

```
(postgres13) => refresh materialized view test_view;
REFRESH MATERIALIZED VIEW
Time: 2027.911 ms (00:02.028)
(postgres13) =>
(postgres14) => refresh materialized view test_view;
REFRESH MATERIALIZED VIEW
Time: 961.503 ms
```



Time: 0.438 ms

Explain plan with parallel workers

```
(postgres14) => explain SELECT grp, avg(data), count(*) FROM
table test GROUP BY 1;
                                              OUERY PLAN
 Finalize GroupAggregate (cost=127997.34..127997.87 rows=2
width=44)
   Group Key: grp
   -> Gather Merge (cost=127997.34..127997.81 rows=4 width=44)
         Workers Planned: 2
         -> Sort (cost=126997.32..126997.32 rows=2 width=44)
               Sort Key: grp
             ..... on table test (cost=0.00...95747.02)
rows=4166702 width=15)
(9 rows)
```

- Other than refresh, remaining use parallelism
- For version < 14, it is better to recreate it than refresh
- During refresh, it will lock the content
- Concurrent option, but PK is mandatory



Return Query



Security Improvements



Default Authentication Method



Default Authentication Method - scram-sha-256

- Previously MD5 hashing method
- Easy to reconstruct
- Expensive Hash Function
- Introduced in V10, now made it as default
- Client needs to support it

authentication method 10 not supported



Predefined Roles



Predefined Roles - pg_read_all_data or pg_write_all_data

- Be a superuser
- Provide access to the complete database



Predefined Roles - pg_read_all_data

- Read all data(Tables, views and sequences)
- Select access on objects and usage access on schemas



Predefined Roles - pg_write_all_data

- Write all data(Tables, views and sequences)
- Insert, Update, Delete access on objects and usage access on schemas



Predefined Roles - pg_read_all_data or pg_write_all_data

```
(postgres14) => create user testing;
CREATE ROLE
Time: 5.468 ms
(postgres14) => set role to 'testing';
SET
Time: 0.392 ms
(postgres14) => SELECT grp, avg(data), count(*) FROM table_test
GROUP BY 1;
ERROR: permission denied for table table_test
Time: 2.010 ms
(postgres14) =>
```



Predefined Roles - pg_read_all_data or pg_write_all_data

```
(postgres14) => reset role;
RESET
Time: 0.189 ms
(postgres14) => grant pg read all data to testing;
GRANT ROLE
Time: 4.202 ms
(postgres14)=>
(postgres14) => set role to 'testing';
SET
Time: 0.148 ms
(postgres14) => SELECT grp, avg(data), count(*) FROM table test
GROUP BY 1;
                                   count
 grp |
                 avq
 100 | 0.500173019196875804072 | 5000000
 200 | 0.500065682335289928739 | 5000000
(2 rows)
```

Features for Application Developers



New JSON Syntax



New JSON Syntax

- Since PostgreSQL 9.2
- Had unique syntax

Old Syntax:

```
where (jsonb_column->>'name')::varchar = 'Aakash:
DBRE(2021)';
```

New Syntax:

```
where jsonb column['name'] = '"Aakash: DBRE(2021)"';
```



Multirange Datatypes



Range

- Beginning and End value
- Datetime or Integer
- This train is running between X and Y



Range - Classic SQL

```
create table track activity (
id serial primary key,
appname varchar(100),
start ts timestamp,
end ts timestamp
);
insert into track activity (appname, start ts, end ts) values
('Whatapp', '2021\overline{-}10-01 4:00', '2021-10-0\overline{1} 7:00'\overline{1};
insert into track activity (appname, start ts, end ts) values
('Facebook', '202\overline{1}-10-01 \overline{7}:00', '202\overline{1}-10-\overline{0}1 11:0\overline{0}');
insert into track activity (appname, start ts, end ts) values
('Whatsapp', '202\overline{1}-10-01 \overline{1}1:0\overline{0}', '2021-10\overline{-0}1 21:\overline{0}0');
insert into track activity (appname, start ts, end ts) values
('Instagram', '20\overline{2}1-10-01^{\overline{2}}22:\overline{00}', '2021-1\overline{0}-01 23\overline{:}00');
```



Range - Classic SQL

```
(postgres14) => select * from track activity;
                       start ts
                                               end ts
id
      appname
                                         2021-10-20 07:00:00
                  2021-10-20 04:00:00
    Whatapp
                  2021-10-20 07:00:00
     Facebook
                                         2021-10-20 11:00:00
     Whatsapp
                  2021-10-20 11:00:00
                                         2021-10-20 21:00:00
                  2021-10-20 22:00:00
                                         2021-10-20 23:00:00
     Instagram
(4 \text{ rows})
```



Range - Classic SQL



Range - Classic SQL



```
create table track activity_range (
id serial primary key,
appname varchar(100),
time_ts tsrange
);

insert into track activity_range (appname, time_ts) values
('Whatapp', '[2021-10-20 4:00, 2021-10-20 7:00]');
insert into track activity range (appname, time_ts) values
('Facebook', '[2021-10-20 7:00, 2021-10-20 11:00]');
insert into track activity_range (appname, time_ts) values
('Whatsapp', '[2021-10-20 I1:00, 2021-10-20 21:00]');
insert into track activity_range (appname, time_ts) values
('Instagram', '[2021-10-20 22:00, 2021-10-20 23:00]');
```





```
(postgres14) => select * from track activity range where id=3;
      appname
 id
                                            time ts
       Whatsapp | ["2021-10-20 11:00:00", "2021-10-20 21:00:00"]
(1 \text{ row})
(postgres14) => update track activity range set time_ts = time_ts - '[2021-10-20 11:00,2021-10-20 11:30] where id = 3;
UPDATE 1
(postgres14) => select * from track activity range where id=3;
                                            time ts
       appname
      Whatsapp | ("2021-10-20 11:30:00","2021-10-20 21:00:00"]
(1 \text{ row})
```

```
(postgres14) => update track activity range set time_ts = time_ts -
'[2021-10-20 12:00,2021-10-20 12:30] where id = 3;
ERROR: result of range difference would not be contiguous
Time: 0.594 ms
(postgres14) =>
```



```
create table track_activity_multirange (
id serial primary key,
appname varchar(100),
time_ts tsmultirange
);

insert into track activity multirange (appname, time_ts) values
('Whatapp', '{[2021-10-20 4:00, 2021-10-20 7:00]}');
insert into track activity multirange (appname, time_ts) values
('Facebook', '{[2021-10-20 7:00, 2021-10-20 11:00]}');
insert into track activity multirange (appname, time_ts) values
('Whatsapp', '{[2021-10-20 11:00, 2021-10-20 21:00]}');
insert into track activity multirange (appname, time_ts) values
('Instagram', '{[2021-10-20 22:00, 2021-10-20 23:00]}');
```







OUT Parameter for Stored Procedure



Out Parameter for Stored Procedure

- Only function has been supported
- Stored Procedure since V11
- Only supports IN, INOUT parameters
- More compatible with Oracle's Implementation of procedures



Enhancements in Monitoring





Reporting progress of COPY commands



Session 1 - Load CSV with 10M records

```
postgres=# \copy ( select i, now() - random() * '2
years'::interval, random()
    from generate_series(1,10000000) i) to /dev/null;
```



Session 2 - Monitoring pg_stat_progress_copy table continuously



```
datname | command | tuples processed
postgres | COPY TO |
(1 \text{ row})
  Tue Oct 19 13:37:24 2021 (every 1s)
          | command | tuples processed
 datname
postgres | COPY TO | 704370
(1 \text{ row})
  Tue Oct 19 13:37:25 2021 (every 1s)
          | command | tuples processed
 datname
postgres | COPY TO | 1612781
(1 \text{ row})
```



```
postgres=# \copy ( select i, now() - random() * '2
years'::interval, random()
    from generate series(1,10000000) i) to /dev/null;
COPY 1000000
postgres=#
 datname | command | tuples processed
(0 rows)
 Tue Oct 19 13:40:26 2021 (every 1s)
 datname | command | tuples processed
(0 \text{ rows})
```





pg_stat_statements

- Very useful extension
- Tracking execution statistics of all SQL statements
- Inexpensive
- Supports in all infra
- Load this data in grafana
- Stores the hash value



pg_stat_statements



pg_stat_statements

- When the given queries happened
- Queries with exact values



- System View pg_stat_statements_info
- Shows since the query stats are available



- New log prefix added %Q
- Also store the query id in the log file as well



- New column added rows
- No of rows processed



Planning for Upgrade

- Logical / Physical Upgrade
- Perform dry-run if possible
- Version < 12 requires reindexing.
- Analyze needs to be performed
- Perform functional testing of application



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