

ZOMG!!!!!!

**HAPPY
THURSDAY!!**

**WELCOME TO
RubyConf X!**

X-TREME RUBYCONF!!!!!!

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WWFMD?

**ZOMG WHY IS THIS
CODE SO SLOW?**

Performance

ARel

Rails

Prepared Statement Caching

DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING
REQUIRED

**ActiveRecord 5x
slower than Rails
2.3.5**

<http://bit.ly/omgs1ow>

5x Slower?!?

WTF?



Yes, 5x Slower

**What could possibly
go wrong?**

Motivation

**Why do you care
about speed?**

Scaling Ruby

```
query_methods.rb (~/.git/rails/a...lib/active_record/relation) - VIM1

    arel.join(join)
  end

  arel.joins(arel)
end

def build_arel
  arel = table

  arel = build_joins(arel, @joins_values) unless @joins_values.empty?

  (@where_values - []).uniq.each do |where|
    where = Arel.sql(where) if String === where
    arel = arel.where(Arel::Nodes::Grouping.new(where))
  end

  arel = arel.having(*@having_values.uniq.reject{|h| h.blank?}) unless @having_values.empty?

  arel = arel.take(@limit_value) if @limit_value
  arel = arel.skip(@offset_value) if @offset_value

  arel = arel.group(*@group_values.uniq.reject{|g| g.blank?}) unless @group_values.empty?

  arel = arel.order(*@order_values.uniq.reject{|o| o.blank?}) unless @order_values.empty?

  arel = build_select(arel, @select_values.uniq)

  arel = arel.from(@from_value) if @from_value
  arel = arel.lock(@lock_value) if @lock_value

  arel
end

private

query_methods.rb [2] 0-1, 195 of 267, (4572) 71% 0x0 (0)
```



**When should I make
my code faster?**

**When it isn't fast
enough.**

**What is
"fast enough"?**

Do people notice it?

In comparison to?

**Finishes in a
reasonable amount
of time.**

Don't believe me.

Think Critically

For Performance:

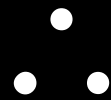
Things To Reduce

- **Method calls**
- **Branching and looping**
- **Objects (memory consumption)**

For Clean Code:

Things To Reduce

- **Method calls**
- **Branching and looping**
- **Objects (memory consumption)**



(therefore)

Clean Code

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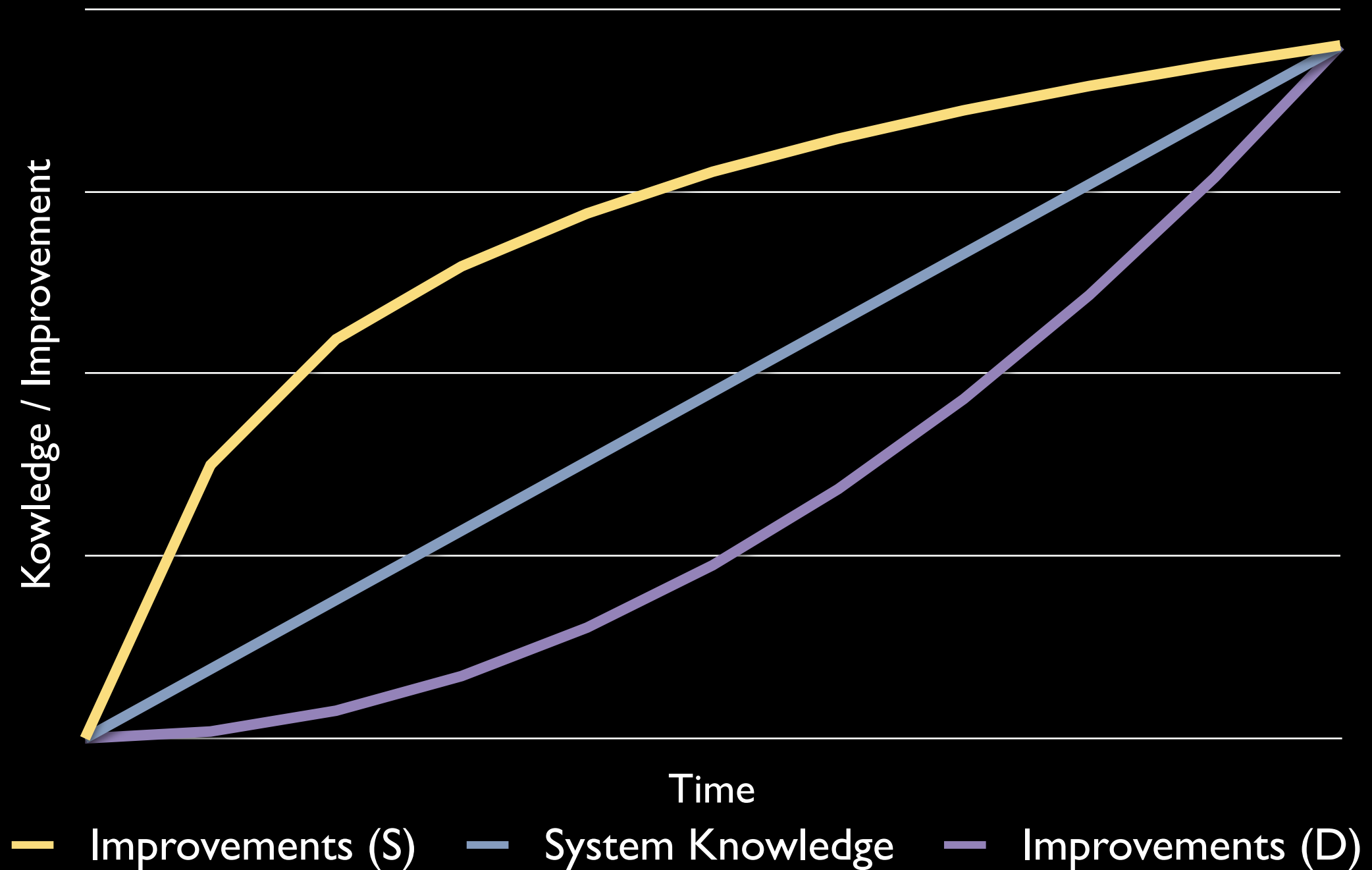
Performant code

Conclusion

AKA:

Things I've Learned

System Impact



When Should I Rewrite?

Rewrite Timeline

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We emphasize
the art
of Code

We should not forget
the Science