Postgres Interface Performance

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Motivation

- Answer this question:
 - What is relative performance of ODBC, JDBC, and libpq?
- Specifically:
 - Connection speed
 - Query result retrieval
 - Alternate retrieval methods
 - Materializing to file
- Secondarily:
 - Connection per query versus persistent
 - Set versus singleton operations
 - Local versus remote





Approach

- Seed database
- Launch command line clients
- Vary conditions
- Collect durations
- Analyze results





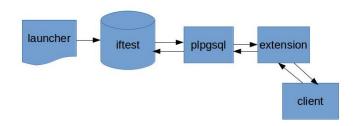
Major Components

- Command line clients
- PG Extension
- Driver, load, and result objects
- Driver function
- Launcher bash script





Flow







Clients

- Individual command line clients
 - Native language for interface
 - libpq C
 - ODBC C
 - JDBC Java
 - As similar as possible source code structure
 - Identical command line arguments
 - Handle variety of test conditions





Extension

- C extension for command execution
 - Simple way to execute commands
 - Complete control over string escaping, etc.
 - Allow entire test to be table driven
 - Easy test result (duration) data collection





Driver Tables

- interfaces ⇒ libpq, ODBC, JDBC
- alternateclientcopy
 - ⇒ acc-n: normal interface
 - ⇒ acc-a: alternate interface
 - ⇒ acc-y: copy interface
- conninfos ⇒ Icl:ipc: local connection, BSD socket
 - \Rightarrow Icl:tcp: local connection, TCP/IP
 - ⇒ rmt:tcp: remote connection, TCP/IP
- printfracdest
 - \Rightarrow p-none:null: No print to file
 - \Rightarrow p-all:null: Print to /dev/null
 - \Rightarrow p-all:file: Print to file





Driver Tables

- sqlstratiter
 - \Rightarrow sql001:0:50k: 1 row, connect each time, run 50k times
 - \Rightarrow sql50k:0:001: 50k rows, connect each time, run 1 time
 - \Rightarrow sql10m:0:001: 10m rows, connect each time, run 1 time
 - \Rightarrow sql001:1:50k: 1 row, connect once, run 50k times
 - \Rightarrow sql50k:1:001: 50k rows, connect once, run 1 time
 - \Rightarrow sql10m:1:001: 10m rows, connect once, run 1 time





Driver View

- testcases
 - Generates all testcases from driver tables
 - Uses both JOIN (inner) and CROSS JOIN (Cartesian product)

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW testcases AS
 FROM interfaces i
 JOIN conninfos c USING (ifname)
 JOIN alternateclientcopy a USING (ifname)
 CROSS JOIN printfracdest
 CROSS JOIN sqlstratiter
  . . . :
SELECT * FROM testcases LIMIT 1;
-[ RECORD 1 ]-----
testcase | ODBC:lcl:ipc:sql001:0:50k:acc-n:p-all:null
       | odbctest -c DSN=pgsql_ipc \
testcmd
                  -s "select * from t50k where x1 = 4242" \
                  -p 1 -k 0 -n 50000 > /dev/null 2>&1
```





Load Tables

• t50k - 50 thousand rows





Load Tables

• t10m - 10 million rows





Results Table

• testresults - aggregate test case representation

```
SELECT * FROM testresults LIMIT 1;
-[ RECORD 1 ]-------
testcase | ODBC:lcl:ipc:sq1001:0:50k:acc-n:p-all:null
iter | 1
ts | 2014-09-06 17:27:11.585011-07
duration | 238.23702
```





Results View

vtestresults - expanded test case representation

```
SELECT * FROM vtestresults LIMIT 1:
-[ RECORD 1 ]-----
iface
         I JDBC
loc
        1 1c1
        | tcp
comm
        | sql001
sql
connstrat |
numiter
       l 50k
extra
          acc-n
         | p-all
prnt
dest
         | file
iter
        | 2014-09-06 17:27:11.585011-07
ts
duration | 206,280236
```





Driver Function

- exectestcases()
- Arguments
 - path client binary location (command line clients)
 - Idlibpath linked library location (libpq.so)
 - classpath Java class location (JDBC and getopt jar files)
 - outeriter how many times to execute all test cases
- Returns SETOF RECORD
 - iter current outeriter
 - tcase aggregate form test case identifier
 - dur duration of test case run





Launcher script

- Kicks off the entire automated test
 - Sets variables for exectestcases() arguments
 - Calls exectestcases() using psql
 - Currently executes 288 test cases per run
 - Runs for many hours and produces many GB output files





Interface Variations

```
SELECT * FROM interfaces;
ifname | testprog
-----
ODBC | odbctest
libpq | libpqtest
JDBC | java jdbctest
(3 rows)
```





Connection Type Variations

```
SELECT * FROM conninfos:
 conndesc | ifname |
                                         conninfo
 lcl:ipc
            ODBC
                     -c DSN=pgsql_ipc
 lcl:tcp
            ODBC
                     -c DSN=pgsql_lcl
rmt:tcp
            ODBC
                     -c DSN=pgsql_rmt
 lcl:ipc
                     -c postgresql://%2Ftmp/iftest?user=postgres
            libpq
 lcl:tcp
            libpq
                     -c postgresql://localhost/iftest?user=postgres
                     -c postgresql://192.168.1.3/iftest?user=postgres
rmt:tcp
            libpq
 lcl:tcp
            JDBC
                     -c jdbc:postgresql://localhost/iftest?user=postgres
            .IDBC
                     -c jdbc:postgresql://192.168.1.3/iftest?user=postgres
rmt:tcp
(8 rows)
```





Result Size, Conn Count, Num Executions

```
SELECT sqlstratiterdesc as desc,
       sql,
       connstrat as strat,
       numiter
FROM sqlstratiter;
     desc
                                  sql
                                                         | strat | numiter
 sql001:0:50k | -s "select * from t50k where id = 4242" | -k 0 | -n 50000
 sql50k:0:001 | -s "select * from t50k"
                                                           -k 0 | -n 1
 sql10m:0:001 | -s "select * from t10m"
                                                          -k 0 | -n 1
 sql001:1:50k | -s "select * from t50k where id = 4242" | -k 1 | -n 50000
 sq150k:1:001 | -s "select * from t50k"
                                                         | -k 1 | -n 1
 sql10m:1:001 | -s "select * from t10m"
                                                         | -k 1 | -n 1
(6 rows)
```





Materialize (Y/N) and Destination





Use Alternate Fetch or COPY Interface

```
SELECT * FROM alternateclientcopy;
 accdesc | ifname |
 acc-n
           ODBC
         | libpq
 acc-n
 acc-a
         libpq
                    -a
         | libpq
 acc-y
                     -у
           JDBC
 acc-n
           JDBC
 acc-y
                     -y
(6 rows)
```





Results - Interface/Method

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW ifmeth_cat_results AS
SELECT sql || $$:$$ || numiter || $$:$$ || loc || $$:$$ || comm ||
       $$:$$ || connstrat || $$:$$ || prnt || $$:$$ || dest AS testcase
      .iface | | $$:$$ | | extra AS candidate
      ,round(duration::numeric, 5) AS duration
      ,round(drange::numeric, 5) AS drange, grpsz
      .round(((duration - min(duration) OVER w) /
              (max(duration) OVER w - min(duration) OVER w)
             )::numeric, 5) AS nml_dur
      ,round(((drange - min(drange) OVER w) /
              (max(drange) OVER w - min(drange) OVER w)
             )::numeric, 5) AS nml_drng
FROM (SELECT iface,loc,comm,connstrat,sql,numiter,extra,prnt,dest
            ,count(1) as grpsz, avg(duration) AS duration
            ,max(duration) - min(duration) AS drange
      FROM vtestresults GROUP BY 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9) as t
WINDOW w AS (PARTITION BY sql,numiter,loc,comm,connstrat,prnt,dest
             ORDER BY duration
             ROWS BETWEEN UNBOUNDED PRECEDING AND UNBOUNDED FOLLOWING):
```



Results - Interface/Method Summarized

```
SELECT candidate
     ,round(AVG(grpsz),1) AS avg_grpsz
     ,round(AVG(nml_dur),3) AS avg_nml_dur
     ,round(AVG(nml_drng),3) AS avg_nml_drng
FROM ifmeth cat results
GROUP BY candidate
ORDER BY 3,4,1;
 candidate | avg_grpsz | avg_nml_dur | avg_nml_drng
libpq:acc-a |
                 9.0 | 0.008 |
                                      0.285
libpq:acc-n | 9.0 | 0.055 |
                                     0.224
libpq:acc-y |
            9.0 | 0.097 | 0.416
              9.0 | 0.231 |
JDBC:acc-y |
                                      0.279
ODBC:acc-n
            9.0 | 0.748 | 0.523
JDBC:acc-n |
                 9.0 I
                          0.851 l
                                      0.600
(6 rows)
```





Results - Location/Transport

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW loccomm_cat_results AS
SELECT iface || $$:$$ || extra || $$:$$ || sql || $$:$$ || numiter ||
       $$:$$ || connstrat || $$:$$ || prnt || $$:$$ || dest AS testcase
      ,loc || $$:$$ || comm AS candidate
      .round(duration::numeric, 5) AS duration
      ,round(drange::numeric, 5) AS drange, grpsz
      .round(((duration - min(duration) OVER w) /
              (max(duration) OVER w - min(duration) OVER w)
             )::numeric, 5) AS nml_dur
      ,round(((drange - min(drange) OVER w) /
              (max(drange) OVER w - min(drange) OVER w)
             )::numeric, 5) AS nml_drng
FROM (SELECT iface,loc,comm,connstrat,sql,numiter,extra,prnt,dest
            ,count(1) as grpsz, avg(duration) AS duration
            ,max(duration) - min(duration) AS drange
      FROM vtestresults GROUP BY 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9) as t
WINDOW w AS (PARTITION BY sql,numiter, iface, extra, connstrat, prnt, dest
             ORDER BY duration
             ROWS BETWEEN UNBOUNDED PRECEDING AND UNBOUNDED FOLLOWING):
```



Results - Location/Transport Summarized

```
SELECT candidate
      ,round(AVG(grpsz),1) AS avg_grpsz
      ,round(AVG(nml_dur),3) AS avg_nml_dur
      ,round(AVG(nml_drng),3) AS avg_nml_drng
FROM loccomm cat results
GROUP BY candidate
ORDER BY 3,4,1;
 candidate | avg_grpsz | avg_nml_dur | avg_nml_drng
 lcl:ipc
                   9.0 I
                               0.001 l
                                              0.398
 lcl:tcp
                  9.0 l
                              0.108 l
                                              0.484
 rmt:tcp
                   9.0 I
                             1.000 l
                                              0.538
(3 rows)
```





Results - Query/Connect Strategy Summarized

```
SELECT testcase, round(avg(duration),3) AS avg_dur
FROM ifmeth cat results
WHERE testcase IN (
    'sql50k:001:lcl:ipc:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sql50k:001:lcl:ipc:1:p-all:file'
   ,'sql50k:001:lcl:tcp:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sql50k:001:lcl:tcp:1:p-all:file'
   ,'sql50k:001:rmt:tcp:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sql50k:001:rmt:tcp:1:p-all:file'
   ,'sql001:50k:lcl:ipc:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sql001:50k:lcl:ipc:1:p-all:file'
   ,'sq1001:50k:lcl:tcp:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sq1001:50k:lcl:tcp:1:p-all:file'
   ,'sql001:50k:rmt:tcp:0:p-all:file'
   ,'sql001:50k:rmt:tcp:1:p-all:file'
GROUP BY testcase
ORDER BY 2:
```





Results - Query/Connect Strategy Summarized

```
testcase
                                   avg_dur
sq150k:001:lcl:ipc:0:p-all:file |
                                     0.293
sq150k:001:lcl:ipc:1:p-all:file
                                      0.299
sq150k:001:lcl:tcp:0:p-all:file
                                     0.758
sql50k:001:lcl:tcp:1:p-all:file
                                     0.784
sq150k:001:rmt:tcp:0:p-all:file
                                      1.036
sql50k:001:rmt:tcp:1:p-all:file |
                                     1.038
sql001:50k:lcl:ipc:1:p-all:file
                                     10.245
sql001:50k:lcl:tcp:1:p-all:file
                                     15.586
                                    40.944
sql001:50k:rmt:tcp:1:p-all:file
sql001:50k:lcl:ipc:0:p-all:file
                                    186,176
sql001:50k:lcl:tcp:0:p-all:file
                                   203.528
sql001:50k:rmt:tcp:0:p-all:file
                                   428.544
(12 rows)
```





sql001:50k:lcl:ipc:0:p-all:file

- $sql001:50k \Rightarrow Query 1 row, 50k times$
- Icl:ipc ⇒ Local host via IPC connection
- 0 ⇒ Connect every query
- p-all:file ⇒ print every row to file





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sql001:50k:lcl:tcp:0:p-all:file

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- Icl:tcp ⇒ Local host via TCP/IP connection
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- p-all:file ⇒ print every row to file





sql10m:001:rmt:tcp:1:p-all:file

- $sql10m:001 \Rightarrow Query 10m rows, 1 time$
- rmt:tcp ⇒ Remote host via TCP/IP connection
- $1 \Rightarrow$ Connect once
- p-all:file ⇒ print every row to file





sql10m:001:lcl:tcp:1:p-all:file

- $sql10m:001 \Rightarrow Query 10m rows, 1 time$
- Icl:tcp ⇒ Local host via TCP/IP connection
- $1 \Rightarrow$ Connect once
- p-all:file ⇒ print every row to file





sql10m:001:lcl:ipc:1:p-all:file

- $sql10m:001 \Rightarrow Query 10m rows, 1 time$
- Icl:ipc ⇒ Local host via IPC connection
- $1 \Rightarrow \mathsf{Connect}$ once
- p-all:file ⇒ print every row to file





all:acc-n:sql50k:001:all:p-all:file

- all:acc-n ⇒ All interfaces, normal method
- $sql50k:001 \Rightarrow 50k$ rows, one time
- ullet p-all:file \Rightarrow print every row to file

```
SELECT testcase, candidate, duration
FROM loccomm_cat_results
WHERE testcase LIKE '%:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file'
ORDER BY 1, 3, 2:
                                       candidate | duration
              testcase
 libpg:acc-n:sgl50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                                     0.21962
                                       lcl:ipc
 libpg:acc-n:sgl50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                       lcl:tcp
                                                     0.32501
 libpg:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                       rmt:tcp
                                                     0.60207
 ODBC:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                       lcl:ipc
                                                     0.56753
 ODBC:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                                     0.70518
                                       lcl:tcp
 ODBC:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                                     0.94350
                                       rmt:tcp
 JDBC:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                       lcl:tcp
                                                     2,72273
 JDBC:acc-n:sql50k:001:1:p-all:file
                                       rmt:tcp
                                                     3.00985
(8 rows)
```





Future Work

- Additional interfaces
 - Different versions of JDBC library
 - Alternate JDBC library
 - npgsql (.Net data provider)
 - py-postgresql (native python interface)
- Additional alternate fetch strategies
 - Prepared statements
 - Server-side COPY with client-side file fetch
- Cost of SSL connection





Questions?

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