

# MySQL Storage Engines Which Do You Use?

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```
mysql> CREATE TABLE plmce(  
    -> id INT NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
    -> name VARCHAR(100)  
    -> ) TYPE = MyISAM;
```

Query OK, 0 rows affected, 1 warning (0.10 sec)

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- Version 5.1 changed everything
  - **Pluggable storage engine API** was introduced



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  - New tablespace format
  - Dynamic loading
  - Online index creation
  - ...
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  - Two versions in 5.1.38 - 5.1.73
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    - PBXT
    - Better BLOB handling technology
    - Engine not supported now



## In the Official Distribution

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- Built-in engines were converted into plugins
- Some old engines were removed
  - BerkeleyDB
  - ISAM

# Community

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- Number of engine grows
- They can
  - Shard: Spider
  - Use any source of data: CONNECT
  - Connect to foreign sources: FederatedX
  - Perform full text search: SphinxSE
  - More
- MariaDB includes most of the engines

# Simple and Complex Engines

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- All engines
  - Store data
  - Retrieve data

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- All engines
- Simple engines
  - Use built-ins for all other job
    - Locking
    - Transactions support
    - Diagnostic

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- All engines
- Simple engines
- Complex engines
  - Implement
    - Own locking model
    - Transactions
    - Diagnostic
    - Log files
    - More

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- All three
  - Transactional
  - Row-level locking
  - MVCC
  - ACID
  - XA
  - Automatic crash recovery

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- InnoDB
  - Universal
  - Default since 5.5.5

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  - Fine compression support
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- MyRocks
  - Write and space optimized
  - Great compression support
  - Best for SSD

# InnoDB

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- B-Tree

- Extremely fast read access
- Needs to be re-balanced on write

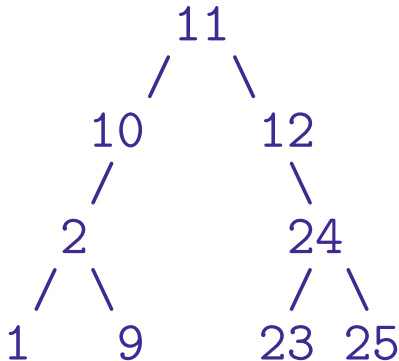
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- B-Tree
- Reach features set
  - Foreign keys
  - Locks at the engine level
    - Row
    - Gap
    - Auto-increment
    - Table
  - Compression
  - Extended crash recovery

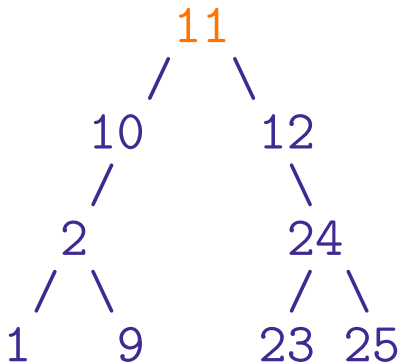
# B-Tree

- Initial Data



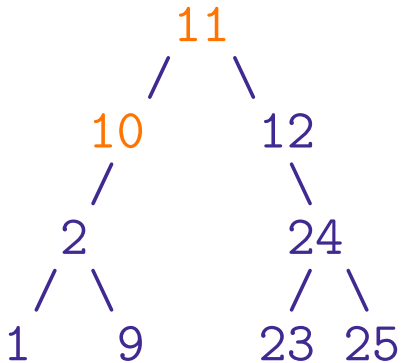
# B-Tree

- SELECT 11



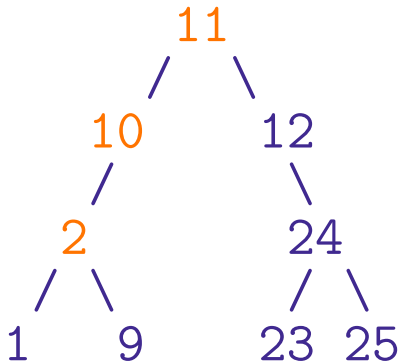
# B-Tree

- SELECT 10



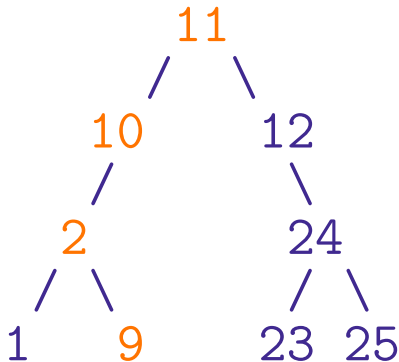
# B-Tree

- SELECT 2



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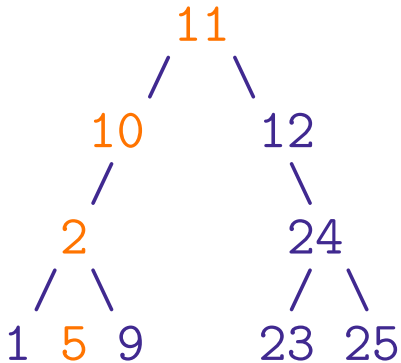
- SELECT 9





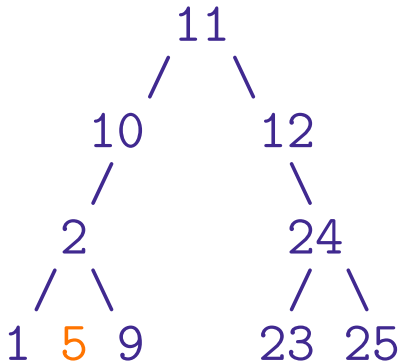
# B-Tree

- INSERT 5



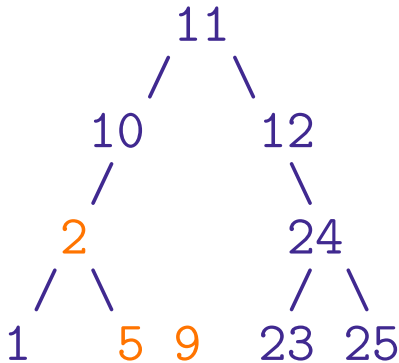
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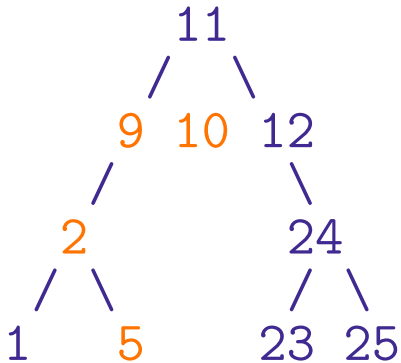
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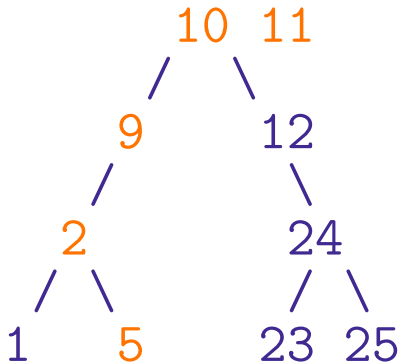
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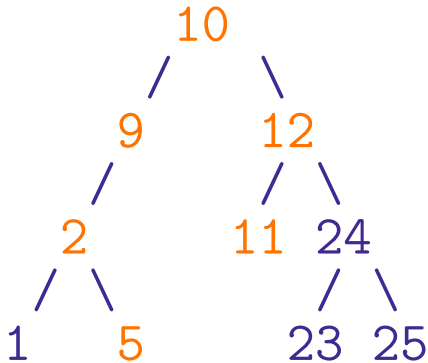
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- Fractal Tree

- Write optimized
- All writes stored in buffers
- Background thread flushes them
- By default reads are slow

# TokuDB

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- Fractal Tree
- Optimizations for reads
  - Secondary Clustered Indexes
  - Read-free replication
  - No index fragmentation



# TokuDB

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- Fractal Tree
- Optimizations for reads
- Optimizations for writes
  - Fast inserts
  - Bulk loader
  - Compression

# TokuDB

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- Fractal Tree
- Optimizations for reads
- Optimizations for writes
- Other features and limitations
  - Reach set of locking diagnostic
  - No foreign key support
  - Crash recovery is limited if compare to InnoDB

# MyRocks

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- LSM Tree

- Write and space optimized
- All writes go to MemTable and WAL first
- Data files are immutable
- Compaction
- Designed for small transactions

# MyRocks

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- LSM Tree
- Optimizations for reads
  - Bloom filter
  - ICP
  - No "index dives"
  - Reverse column families
  - Read-free replication

# MyRocks

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- LSM Tree
- Optimizations for reads
- Optimizations for writes
  - Options for bulk operations
  - Compression

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- LSM Tree
- Optimizations for reads
- Optimizations for writes
- Limitations
  - Two transaction isolation levels
    - READ COMMITTED
    - REPEATABLE READ

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  - No gap locking
  - No support for
    - Foreign Keys
    - Full Text Keys
    - Spatial Keys

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    - BINARY
    - Collation latin1\_bin
    - Collation utf8\_bin



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# Three Majors: comparison

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	InnoDB	TokuDB	MyRocks
Reads	Fast	Slow	Slow
Writes	Comparatively Slow	Fast	Fast
Transaction Isolation Levels	4	4	2 (RR, RC)
Foreign Keys	Yes	Not	Not
Space Used	Plenty	Workload-depend	Small
Compression	Yes	Yes	Yes
Crash Recovery	Automatic, Tunable	Automatic	Automatic

# Summary

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- MySQL has many storage engines
- They provide a lot of flexibility
- Many extend server functionality
- Simple and complex engines exist
- InnoDB is feasible for most workloads
- TokuDB and MyRocks are best for write intensive applications

# MySQL Storage Engine Sessions at Percona Live

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- April, 25, 5:15pm, Balroom B
  - MyRocks Engineering: deploying a new MySQL storage engine to production
  - Herman Lee

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- April, 26, 11:10am, Room 203
  - EVCache: Lowering Costs for a Low-Latency Cache with RocksDB
  - Scott Mansfield

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- April, 26, 2:00pm, Balroom C
  - MyRocks: best practice at Alibaba
  - dengcheng he, jiaiyi wang

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  - Six New Important RocksDB Features And Planned Works
  - Siying Dong

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- April, 26, 4:30pm, Ballroom E
  - Using SPIDER for sharding in production
  - Kayoko GOTO, Kentoku SHIBA



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- April, 27, 11:00am, Ballroom E
  - MariaRocks: MyRocks in MariaDB
  - Sergei Petrunia

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- April, 26, 4:30pm, Ballroom E
- April, 27, 11:00am, Ballroom E
- April, 27, 1:50pm, Ballroom A
  - TokuDB vs RocksDB
  - George Lorch, Vladislav Lesin

## More information

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- InnoDB Documentation
- TokuDB Documentation
- MyRocks Wiki
- MySQL User manual on storage engines
- Experts MySQL
- MySQL 5.1 Plugin Development

# Time For Questions

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# Thank you!

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