

Project 2020: Develop a Graph Database on a NoSQL Cloud-Native Database

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Who should read this?

Those interested in learning about designing a NoSQL database application, the performance capabilities of *Dynamodb* and Go programming with particular emphasis on CSP style programming.

Software Stack

Quick review of the technology stack that will be employed.

Component	Provider	Description
Public Cloud	<i>AWS</i>	
Database	<i>Dynamodb</i>	Stores all graph data and provides full load and query support except for full text searching. Can it compete favourably with open-source distributed data stores?
	<i>ElasticSerach</i>	Provides full text searching across all text attributes. Returns a Node UUID which is used to query <i>Dynamodb</i> . While ElasticSearch exists as a cloud-service from a number of cloud vendors including Elastic, AWS, Azure, for the purpose of the exercise I used a single instance running on a small EC2 sourced from a Bitnami AMI (Amazon Machine Image) for development and testing.
Language	<i>Go</i>	A wonderfully pragmatic and productive C-styled language designed by a small team of software luminaries, some of which were responsible for C and Unix, and supported by none other than Google. With a CV like that why would you not use it. It is also one of a very select set of languages that supports <i>Communicating Sequential Processors</i> (CSP) natively, which in the age of increasingly multi, multi-core CPUs is absolutely essential.
Testing	<i>go test command</i>	All testing used Go's command line tool <i>go test</i>
Source Control	<i>Git</i>	

The Project Aims

This project has the following aims.

Aim	Outcome
Another challenging Go program makes for a better Go coder	A rudimentary Graph database with GraphQL* like query language, node cache, concurrent RDF loader.
Is a NoSQL database a suitable Graph database?	Create a Graph Data model in Dynamodb
Incorporate a Type system	Graph schemas defined in the database
Create a concurrent RDF load program	Load the Movie RDF file containing 1.1 million triples
Incorporate full text search capability	Simultaneously load RDF data into Dynamodb and ElasticSearch. Define ElasticSearch query functions.
Non-blocking node cache	API to Fetch Nodes from cache. Locking AP ???? Disable for testing as we are testing Dynamodb fetch performance not the cache performance.
Create a functional test suite of GraphQL queries.	Publish results in this document
Quantify query performance	Run various test queries. Compare performance results with graph database <i>Dgraph</i> .

* Syntax and some functions based on DGraph's GraphQL

Project Results

While all the items discussed in the project aims have been achieved it is more interesting to know how successful was the overall outcome of *Dynamodb* as the data source for a graph database. Ideally it would be useful to compare GoGraph's performance to other graph databases however that is a mini project in itself so I will simply rely on the performance metrics collected from the tests to provide some level of judgement on performance.

Firstly lets acknowledge the most significant design features of GoGraph:

- * **Cluster node data around the nodes unique id (UUID)** up to a threshold size then user overflow blocks to hold rest of data. Each Overflow block has its own UUID.
- * **Partition node data based on sort key** value enabling queries to target a subset of node data
- * **Inbuilt type system**
- * **Duplicate scalar data** (aka scalar propagation) from child to parent node for 1:Many edge relationship and child to grandparent node for 1:1 edge relationship
- * **Incorporating two data stores**, *Dynamodb* for general queries and *ElasticSearch* for full text queries. GoGraph's RDF Loader and Query Engine seamlessly integrates the two.
- * **Million subscriber design** that enables nodes with millions of edges to scale across *Dynamodb* partitions and enable multiple concurrent read processes to query the data. This was not test due to project time constraints.

Secondly, the general performance figures are:

- * the **Dynamodb Query API** for a single node takes between **3.5ms and 4.5ms** for 90% of the queries.
- * Test 11 demonstrates the power of duplicating data for edges with a 1:Many cardinality. Result, 90 nodes can be queried with an **average response of 55 us (microseconds) per node**
- * Test 12 demonstrates the power of duplicating data in parent and grandparent for edges with 1:1 cardinality between child and parent. Result, **1166 nodes can be queried in 122 ms for an average of 104 us (microseconds) per node**.
- * ElasticSearch

What is a Cloud-Native Database?

At a high level a cloud-native NoSQL database must be **elastic, highly resilient and fully managed**. To achieve this it must implement the following:

Feature	Comment
Be Distributed	The database must run across multiple servers. An essential attribute for scaling and resilience
Automatically Scales Horizontally	The database has the ability to automatically add (and remove) compute and storage servers in response to database load and distribute both the data (e.g. table partitions) and the load over the additional resources.*
Runs on elastic infrastructure	The underlying infrastructure must not pose any limits on the resource requirements of the database and its ability to expand and contract any resource on demand.
Replicates Data	For availability and resilience purposes the database must replicate across storage servers and availability zones.

Feature	Comment
Self-Healing	The database cluster should detect failed servers and replace them automatically. The database should also be able to detect table hot spots and automatically implement strategies to reduce its impact.
Detailed Monitoring	The underlying database infrastructure should be monitored with sufficient detail to drive any scaling decisions or assistance with the analysis of a failed operation.
Automatic Backups	The database should be backed up automatically without human intervention
Advanced Security	Data should be encrypted both at rest and in transit. There should be a thorough identity and access management system in place to define and control privileges.
Consistently achieve single-digit millisecond response at any scale	Ultimately most of the above is aimed at providing a foundation for achieving consistently fast query response.
Automatic patching and upgrades	The database software should apply patches automatically without any outages.

* Some cloud-native SQL databases provision a cluster of compute nodes for your database. You will be responsible for adding extra servers to the cluster when load increase. DBaaS database provide a CLI for this purpose.

These features are not necessarily the sole domain of NoSQL databases as some of the latest SQL databases, e.g. Google's Spanner and AWS Aurora, exhibit many, if not all, of the attributes of a cloud-native database.

Cloud-native NoSQL databases are available on all the big three public cloud providers, *Dynamodb* from AWS, *Cosmos DB* on Azure and *Google Cloud Datastore* on GCP (Google Cloud Platform). There are also a number of open-source cloud-native offerings, such as *Datatax Cassandra* and *Mongodb DB Atlas*.

Why Dynamodb?

There is a daunting array of proprietary and open-source NoSQL databases available today with an equally daunting variety of capabilities. *Dynamodb* however, has the considerable advantage that it has been battle tested in what is possibly the worlds biggest shopping site [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), and as a result has received a laser like focus on continual improvements to scalability, raw performance and operational resilience like no other NoSQL database¹. All these improvements are designed to ensure *Dynamodb* can readily cope with the next Black Friday sale.

Because *Dynamodb*'s design is heavily biased towards scalability and raw performance it has had to judiciously sacrifice any feature that would get in the way of that goal². Data consistency has however not been sacrificed and strong consistency can be specified for any query when required, otherwise eventual consistency is available.

So as a cloud-native datastore for a Graph database, *Dynamodb* is at least near or at the top by raw performance metrics. If GoGraph does not perform I cannot blame the datastore.

Finally, I have used *Dynamodb* in previous projects and can attest to its simplicity in development, it's always on availability and its ability to consistently respond to queries with single digit millisecond response times.

GoGraph Limitations

¹ For example, the "adaptive capacity" features is a recent resilience improvement

² While SQL is supported it is part of its code base, rather it is supported via a PartiQL client driver that simply issues standard *Dynamodb* API calls.

As this is a personal exercise I have restricted the features in GoGraph and GraphQL³ to the bare minimum to provide a reasonable test of the effectiveness of *Dynamodb* as a datastore for Graph queries.

GoGraph Feature	Supports	Restrictions
Type System	Node and Edge Facets Nested types Syntax for one to one and one to many edges. Multiple graphs supported	
Concurrent RDF Loader	Configurable degree of parallelism Multiple graphs	File size limited to available memory on server. No support for edge facets.
Graphs	Multiple graphs Graphs consists of nodes and edges (node->child) Each node has a type Unlimited number of nodes supported All scalar attributes are indexed Each node has any number of scalar edges (attributes) Each node has any number of UID predicates (node-node edges) Each UID predicate connects unlimited child nodes Each child node maintains reverse edges	No support for Edge Facets No support for Graph Algorithms
Query Language	GraphQL based on DGraphs (DGraph.io) query language Query applies to a graph nominated at parse time. Root Query with Filter Filter Edge (on child node scalar data) Root & Filter functions: has,gt,lt,eq,le,ge Boolean Filter operators: AND, OR Full Text Search: via ElasticSearch	No support for querying Facets No support for Mutations No support for Transactions Boolean Filter operators: NOT

Code Dependencies

The projects **go.mod** file, (<https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/go.mod>) also shown below, lists GoGraph's dependencies. The only dependency outside of AWS and ElasticSearch is a package, by satori, which is responsible for generating Version 4 UUIDs for GoGraph.

```
module github.com/DynamoGraph

go 1.13

require (
    github.com/aws/aws-sdk-go v1.34.9
    github.com/elastic/go-elasticsearch/v7 v7.9.0
    github.com/satori/go.uuid v1.2.1-0.20180404165556-75cca531ea76
)
```

³ The GraphQL language developed for GoGraph is based on DGraph's ([DGraph.io](https://dgraph.io)) GraphQL language

The Type System

Github: <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/types>

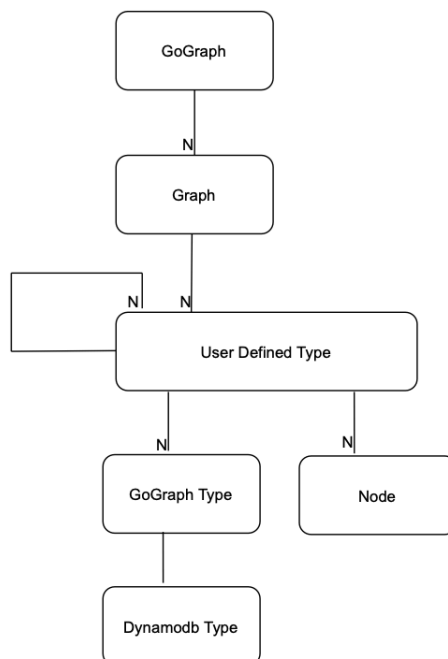
Each node, in GoGraph, is an instance of a single type and each type belongs to a single graph. While a node can have all the attributes of its defined type there is a work-around that enables a node to be effectively a composite of multiple types - more on that later.

A node's data, as defined in the RDF file, is composed of **Scalar-Predicates** and/or **UID-Predicates** (aka Edge-predicates)⁴. *Scalar-predicate* types are the usual *number*, *string*, *binary* types including their *set* counterparts. A *UID-Predicate* type, on the other hand, represents the type of a child node on a parent-child **edge**. Internally a *UID-Predicate* is an array of child node unique identifiers (UID), hence the term UID-Predicate, representing the parent-child edges. The type specification also defines the cardinality of the *UID-Predicate*, that is, whether there is only one parent-child edge or multiple parent-child edges. If the *UID-Predicate* is enclosed in [] it is a 1:Many relationship, if it is not enclosed in [], it represents a 1:1, meaning there is only ever one edge.

The type system is used during parsing of the GraphQL statement to validate each attribute in the statement against its type definition.

To expedite development there is no *type* DDL language, rather a type's definition is stored in a JSON file and loaded directly into a DynamoDB table, following the type data model described below. For an example of a JSON file containing type definitions for the Movie graph, see <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/json/Types.Movie.json>

GoGraph supports multiple independent **graphs**, as depicted in the diagram below. Each graph in turn is defined with one or more **user-defined types**. Types cannot be shared between graphs (although that might be a good idea). A Person type in Graph A is different to a type Person in Graph B.



Each instance of a user-defined *type* is represented by a **node**, which like a *type*, can belong to only one graph. As mentioned previously, a node can only be defined as a single *type*, however, if the node type specification has a nested type (UID-Predicate) with a cardinality of 1:1, then it is possible to emulate a node composed of multiple types.

Schemas

A graph's schema is represented by all the types that have been assigned to the graph.

⁴ the term "Predicate" is derived from the RDF *subject-predicate-object* specification. A predicate name matches a type *attribute* name from the type definition assigned to the node.

RDF to Schema Mapping

When loading a RDF file, GoGraph verifies each predicate in the **subject-predicate-object (s-p-o)** triple, matches an attribute from the node's type definition and that type definition must belong to the graph. *If a predicate p has type T , then for all s-p-o triples with predicate p , the object o is of type T .*

The Type Data Model

All type related data, such as, the *graph name*, the *types* that are associated with each graph and the *type definitions* themselves are stored in single *Dynamodb* table.

The primary key of the table is a composite key consisting of a *partition key* (attribute name: *PKey*) of type *string* and a *Sort Key* (attribute name: *SortK*) of type *string*. The *PKey* value identifies the category of the type data that is defined in the *SortK* and the associated non-key attributes. As detailed in the table below, a *PKey* value of "#Graph" identifies the item as defining a graph's name and its short name equivalent, whereas an item that specifies a **type definition** the *PKey* will be a compound of *graph short name* and *type name*. Example data is provided in *red italics*.

Category	Partition Key format <i>Example</i>	Sort Key format <i>Example</i>	Other Attributes (description) <i>Example</i>
Graph	#Graph	<graph short name>	Name (Graph Name)
	<i>#Graph</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>Movies</i>
Type	#<graph short name>.T	<type short name>	Name (type name)
<i>Defines the subject's type in RDF's "subject-predicate-object"</i>	<i>#m.T</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>Person</i>
Type Attributes	<graph short name>.<type name>	<attribute name>	See table below...
<i>Attribute name must match predicate names in RDF's "subject-predicate-object"</i>	<i>m.Person</i> <i>m.Person</i> <i>m.Person</i>	<i>name</i> <i>director.film</i> <i>performance.actor</i>	<i>Ty: S,...</i> <i>Ty: [Film],...</i> <i>Ty: [Performance],...</i>

The non-key attributes specific to a **Type Attributes** are describe below. The actual data type for an attribute is defined in the *Ty* attribute.

Table Attribute	Attribute	Dynamodb Data type	Nullable	Description
PKey	ID	String	No	Type name e.g. "Person"
F	Facet	String Set	Yes	
C	Short Name	String	No	Keep as short as possible, ideally single character. Is used in SortK attribute in Dynamodb.
N	Nullable	Boolean	No	

Table Attribute	Attribute	Dynamodb Data type	Nullable	Description
Ty	Data type	String	No	<p>Scalar type:</p> <p>“S” String “I” Integer “F” Float “BI” Boolean “DT” DateTime</p> <p>Set type: an unordered collection</p> <p>“SS” String Set “NS” Number Set “BIS” Boolean Set “BS” Binary Set</p> <p>List type: an ordered collection</p> <p>“LS” String List “LN” Number List “LBI” Boolean List “LB” Binary List</p> <p>UID type: denotes a node-node edge</p> <p>For cardinality 1:1 “Type ID” e.g. Person For cardinality 1:M “[Type ID]” e.g. [Person]</p>
P	Partition ID	String	No	<p>Partitions “A” . . “F” are reserved for scalar attributes. Default is “A”. It is good practice to partition the data when there are tens or hundreds of attributes that are not always queried together or an attribute contains a lot more data than others and is rarely queried.</p> <p>Partitions “G” . . “K” are reserved for UID-Predicates. Default is “G”. This allows the designer to group UID-Predicates in queries and eliminate unnecessary data fetches</p>
Pg	Propagate	Boolean	No	Should the attribute value be propagated to its parent. Default is True.
Ix	Index	String	Yes	<p>Extend GoGraph’s default index behaviour which is to automatically add scalar data to a GSI</p> <p>‘X’ - for Set types only. Will add entries in set to GSI</p> <p>‘FT’ - add attribute data to ElasticSearch for full text searching</p> <p>‘FTg’ - add attribute data to GSI and ElasticSearch</p>

The entire *Type* table is scanned into multiple caches (Go maps) during *GoGraph* instantiation. Thereafter, all type data is sourced from the caches.

RDF Data

Github: <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/data>

The *GoGraph*'s data load program accepts Resource Description Framework (RDF) files only. The maximum size of a file can be up to approximately half the available memory on the server.

RDF Specification

The format for an RDF triple is as follows:

<subject> <predicate> <object> .

Comments may follow the dot (".") in the usual form of // or /* */

RDF Triple Component	Contents	
subject	<p>A <i>blank node id</i> in the form: <code>_:<userDefinedString></code></p> <p><i>userDefinedString</i> should match up with another triple with predicate <code>__type</code> defined.</p>	
predicate	Either a user defined type attribute name or one of the system predicates describe below.	
	System Predicates	Description
	<code>__type "<type name>"</code>	Specifies the Node's Type which must be defined in Type Table.
	<code>__ID <UUID></code>	Explicitly defined node <i>UUID</i> , which is helpful for testing purposes. If not used <i>GoGraph</i> will generate a UUID during load.
object	Either a <i>blank node id</i> in the case of a UID-predicate, or a <i>literal scalar value</i> , when the predicate matches an attribute name from the node's type definition (from type system) that is a scalar type.	

Example of RDF Data: Relationship Graph

The RDF data that was used to populate the Relationship Graph is presented below. Note, there are only five *Person* nodes defined. The limited data set is intentional as its main objective is to validate the functional test cases which is best achieved when the data is simple and well understood.

```
_:abc __type "Person" . /* specify type for blank node */
_:abc __ID "66PNdV1TSK0pDR1071+Aow==" .
_:abc Name "Ross H Fullerton" .
_:abc DOB "13 March 1958" .
_:abc Age "62" .
_:abc Siblings _:b .
_:abc Friends _:d .
_:abc Friends _:c .
_:abc Siblings _:c .
_:abc Cars "Fiat" .
_:abc Cars "Honda" .
_:abc Cars "Alfa" .
_:abc Address "67/55 Fauxvoue St Lombardi, Cuffi, Italy"
_:abc Comment "Another fun video. Loved it my Grandmother was from Passau. Dad was over in Germany but there was something going on over there at the time we
won't discuss right now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend everyone." .
_:abc SalaryLast3Year "112000" .
_:abc SalaryLast3Year "152000" .
_:abc SalaryLast3Year "218000" .

_:b __type "Person" . /* specify type for blank node */
_:b __ID "TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cui3pPeg==" .
_:b Name "John Fullerton" .
_:b DOB "2 June 1960" .
_:b Age "58" .
_:b Siblings _:abc .
_:b Siblings _:c .
_:b Cars "Suzuki" . // specify type for blank node
_:b Cars "Honda" .
_:b Cars "VW Golf" .
_:b Friends _:abc .
_:b Friends _:c .
_:b Comment "A foggy snowy morning lit with sodium lamps is an absolute dream" .
_:b SalaryLast3Year "100000" .
_:b SalaryLast3Year "122000" .
_:b SalaryLast3Year "145000" .

_:c __type "Person" . /* specify type for blank node */
_:c __ID "6KIuWuyTRKSgDqWYAghl7A==" .
_:c Name "Ian Fullerton" .
_:c DOB "29 Jan 1953" .
_:c Age "67" .
_:c Siblings _:abc .
_:c Siblings _:b .
_:c Friends _:abc .
_:c Friends _:b .
_:c Friends _:d .
_:c Cars "VW Passat" .
_:c Cars "Mitsubishi" .
_:c Cars "Ford Laser" .
```

```

_:c Cars "Honda" .
_:c Comment "One of the best cab rides I have seen to date!?" .
_:c SalaryLast3Year "90000" .
_:c SalaryLast3Year "90000" .
_:c SalaryLast3Year "110000" .

_:d __type "Person" . /* specify type for blank Payne node */
_:d __ID "01TBKXemTNWATwDDt6U5/A==" .
_:d Name "Phil Smith" .
_:d Siblings _:e .
_:d Friends _:abc .
_:d Friends _:b .
_:d Friends _:c .
_:d DOB "17 June 1976" .
_:d Age "36" .
_:d Cars "Roll Roycet" .
_:d Cars "Bentley" .
_:d Cars "Honda" .
_:d Cars "VW Golf" .
_:d Comment "It seems to me the camera's Smith focus is better, clearer, thank you for sharing, I think Austria is a beautiful country I'm not surprised that it
produced so many great classical musicians." .

_:e __type "Person" . /* specify type for blank node */
_:e __ID "6nG/Cd+dSoyD48CrXQjrlQ==" .
_:e Name "Jenny Jones" .
_:e Friends _:abc .
_:e Friends _:b .
_:e DOB "17 February 1963" .
_:e Age "59" .
_:e Cars "Renault 302" .
_:e Cars "Zonda" .
_:e Comment "A great video Payne which I have enjoyed watching. It is always very interesting to see such beautiful scenery which I am unable to visit
personally. Thank you." .

```

A Concurrent RDF Loader Design

Github: <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/rdf>

Let's write a Go program to load a RDF file, like the Relationship RDF file in the previous section, into the *Dynamodb* graph table. To make it more challenging, let's presume the RDF file is tens of MBs if not GBs in size⁵. To expedite the load we need the program to consume all of the available compute resources (think cores not servers) and database IO throughput (think distributed database at massive scale e.g. *Dynamodb*).

This leads us to Go's best feature, in the author's humble opinion, which is the adoption of *communicating sequential processors* (CSP) as a model for concurrency⁶. In Go CSP programming is native to the language and consequently is as accessible as any other other language construct providing the ability to scale an application across cores with relative ease. It enables the building of sophisticated infrastructure of communicating processors without undue distraction from the mechanics. There is however one gotcha that needs to be kept in mind - shared variables - which exists between concurrent routines and the potential they present for data corruption due to race conditions. Fortunately the language provides a feature rich API to manage this issue and a toolset to verify your code as "concurrency safe". Once this is understood CSP programming becomes a normal way to design and build your applications rather than as an exception.

At this point if you are unfamiliar or need a quick reminder of the Go CSP constructs and support packages please review Appendix A.

To achieve this scale out capability the program designer first deconstructs the problem into a number of tasks and decides which tasks can run concurrently, either as parallel routines (i.e. as multiple concurrent versions of itself) or as a single asynchronous routine that may be pipelined together with other concurrent tasks.

A quick list of potential candidate concurrent routines are:

Candidate Concurrent Routine
Read RDF file into batches of triples.
Validate RDF tuple
Accumulate Graph Edges
Convert internal IDs to Universal Unique Identifiers (UUIDs)
Error logging
Event and Stats logging
Save each valid RDF triple representation to the database.
Create a graph edge (attach a node to a node) and persist its representation to the database
Manage the instantiation of parallel concurrent routines

Not surprisingl, the concurrent Loader program makes extensive use of CSP. Run the Loader on a CPU with more cores and the Go runtime scheduler will dynamically allocate the concurrent routines to use as many cores possible resulting in a faster load.

The objective is to enable the program to scale so as to reach the limits of the database throughput, which in the case *Dynamodb* can be exceptionally high.

⁵ The limit on file size is approximately half the available memory on the server as the entire file is ingested into Go memory structures during the load and validated in memory

⁶ The author can think of only two other languages that support CSP natively, namely, ES6 and Oracle's PL/SQL via the *dbms_alert* package. Python probably has a library that achieves some level of CSP programming but that is not native to the language.

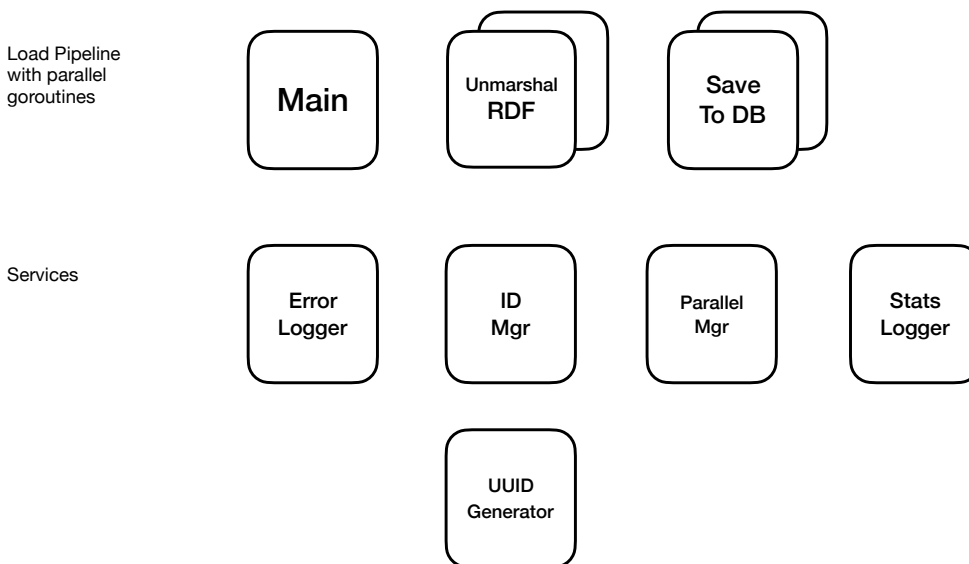
Concurrent routines fall into two types. A concurrent routine may exist to provide a long running *service* to the main program (aka “*main goroutine*”) or to other *goroutines*. A *service* performs a relatively simple task asynchronously responding to and communicating with other *goroutines* via *channels*. *Services* are typically started by the main program and are shutdown when the main program terminates. For example the *Error logging* and *UUID Generator* routines would each run as a *service*. Other *goroutines* are designed to run in parallel, usually performing heavy workloads that require some scale out capability. Routines *Validate-RDF-triple* and *Save-RDF-triple* would be prime candidates to run as parallel *goroutines*. To support the instantiation of parallel routines the Loader makes use of a *service* that manages the instantiation of these parallel routines, called the *Parallel Manager Service*.

Finally, *goroutines* can be assembled into **pipelines**, where they are chained together and the output of one *goroutine* becomes the the input to the next *goroutine* in the chain. Channels are used to synchronise and pass information between the routines. The Loader program has chained the following *goroutines* together into a pipeline for end-to-end processing of RDF triples, from input file to database.

Main⁷(read RDF input) | *UnmarshalRDF* | *Save-to-DB*

The Unix pipe symbol | represents Go *channels*.

From the list of candidate concurrent routines we can allocate them as follows:



Not shown in the above diagram are the associated *channels* that connect the *goroutines* together, either to exchange data and/or synchronise with one another.

The *Save-to-DB goroutine* first saves all the node data to the database and then runs the Attach-Node operation which logically attaches a child node to a parent node, for each edge defined in the RDF data. The attach-node is itself run as two concurrent *goroutines*. One routine reads the parent node data from the database (a multi-millisecond operation), concurrently with another *goroutine* that reads the child node data (another multi-millisecond operation) and then connects the child to the parent node by adding the associated “connect” items to the database under the parent node UUID. Information is exchanged via a single channel while the two *goroutines* are synchronised at various points using both a *channel* and the *sync package* (ie. *methods on type Waitgroup*).

Load Performance

To process 1.1 million triples in the Movie.rdf file took 1hr 18min for a concurrent setting of 16 on a *m5.large* EC2 instance (2 vCUPs, 8MB). This is much slower than expected. The cause was identified as a design fault with regard to a node’s *Reverse Edge* attribute. The design uses a Binary Set datatype to store the reverse edge data for each edge, which consists of a parent node’s UUID and its Edge Predicate’s short name, to which the child node is attached. In the case of the genre node, which can be attached to thousands of parent nodes, this presents a couple of problems. The first problem is data size, as the 400KB item size limit will ultimately be reached on a large graph with “type” nodes (like Genre). The other problem is adding a new reverse edge to a Binary Set progressively slows as the Binary Set grows in

⁷ The main *goroutine* has several responsibilities but as far as the pipeline is concerned it reads RDF tuples into batches, writes a reference to the batch to a channel which is then read by the next routine in the pipeline.

size, to the point where it is taking around 2 seconds to update a reverse edge for some Genres, like “Drama”, which is a very popular genre. While the solution exists in *GoGraph* to fix both problems it was not applied to Reverse Edge attributes only to Edge Predicates (to fix the million subscriber problem). This was a complete oversight on my behalf. I expect that if it had been applied to the Reverse Edge attribute then the load time would be slashed by around 60% or more.

Why didn't I fix the Reverse Edge attribute issue and reload the data? GoGraph development had reached its end time. It is a personal project, not a product that I expect people to use, although I build it with that in mind. I have identified the problem, I have a solution that is working on another attribute, that is sufficient. Time to move onto the next project.

Storage Hierarchy

An understanding of the storage components will help in piecing together the constraints on the physical design imposed by Dynamodb and how they have influenced the design of the GoGraph *Block* component.

The top component is not surprisingly a *Dynamodb table*. All graph data is stored in one table. The table's primary key is a composite of a binary type partition key and a string type sort key. A table is split into separate **storage partitions** (SP), each allocated to a different server as a way to spread the data and database load over multiple compute resources. The number of SPs is determined by the table's read and write capacity where each SP is constrained to a maximum of 3000 RCUs and 1000 WCUs.

The partition key stores the UUID of either node block or overflow block. A **block⁸** is an ordered collection, based on a sort key value, of related Dynamodb **items**, which can be accessed in one API call. A node block can be partitioned into smaller collections and queried separately for more efficient reading by eliminating unnecessary data. See Section ? For details on how to partition a block. A block is accessed via the Dynamodb Query API.

The table below summarizes the storage hierarchy.

Table A single key-value store for all graph data <i>Max Size: unlimited</i>			
	Storage Partitions Internal to Dynamodb and a fundamental IO scaling component. Dynamodb partitions a table into one or more SPs the number of which is based on the table's IO capacity. Items are assigned to SP hashed on <i>partition</i> key value. Dynamodb replicates each SP across multiple Availability Zones for redundancy which can also aid in faster query response. <i>Max Size: 10GB</i> <i>Number: dynamic</i>	Blocks See Section: GoGraph Block Types Data is grouped in "blocks" based on its <i>partition</i> key value. Items in a block are stored in <i>sort</i> key order. The data for each node is stored in its own block. Optionally it may also use a number of UID Overflow blocks. A block is assigned to one SP, whereas any Overflow Blocks will be allocated to different partition to balance the load across partitions SPs. Access by API Query. <i>Max Size: 10GB</i> <i>Number: unlimited</i>	Items Each <i>node</i> or <i>overflow block</i> contains one or more Dynamodb items. Access by API <i>GetItem</i> . <i>Max Size: 400K</i> <i>Number: unlimited</i>

Block Types

A GoGraph *block* is a minor abstraction on the *Dynamodb's item*. A *block* represents a sorted collection of related *Dynamodb* items with the same UUID *partition* key value. A block represents the basic read unit of a GoGraph query and is the only storage component that the graph designer can tune in any way. For example, the designer can partition the data within a block into small sorted groupings that can be read as a single unit rather than having to read the complete block or large portions of it each time. This may save considerable Dynamodb RCUs and hasten the response when a query requires only a small subset of a block's data. By default GoGraph divides a block into three partitions, one partition for scalar data, another for all UID-Predicates (containing child node UUIDs) and Reverse edge UUID data.

As detailed in the table below there are two types of blocks, Node and Overflow.

Block Type	Description
Node	Contains the data related to a node. Every node contains the same data elements, albeit some may not be present in some nodes depending on its type, as describe in the list below;

⁸ a block is a term I borrowed from Oracle, which in some ways is not entirely appropriate since Oracle uses a fixed block size (4KB, 8KB etc) and the block in GoGraph is variable, however when Dynamodb is factored in, where it reads in units of 4KB, it makes more sense. Some may prefer the term "collection" instead.

Block Type	Description	
	Node Element	Description
	Node Type	User-defined type
	Scalar Data	(Optional) As defined in the user-defined type for the node type. Scalar data is represented by a user-defined types scalar predicates.
	Edge Data	(Optional) Edge data denotes the collection of node-node edges for a particular <i>UID Predicate</i> . Each <i>UID Predicate</i> (1) has its own edge data which internally is represented by a <i>Dynamodb List</i> data type constrained to hold <i>UUIDs only</i> .
	Propagated Child's Scalar data	(Optional) For each UID type in the nodes user-defined type there will be data elements for the each child node's scalar data (if defined).
	Propagated Grandchild's Scalar data	(Optional) For each UID type in the nodes user-defined type there will be data elements for the each grandchild node's scalar data (if defined). This is only applicable when the grandchild has a 1:1 cardinality with its parent type.
	Reverse edges	While a graph's edge is unidirectional (parent->child) it is useful to store the reverse edge (child->parent).
Overflow	<p>After a configured number of child nodes for a parent node's <i>UID Type</i> are attached, future attached nodes will have the child node's <i>UUID</i> and <i>scalar data</i> no longer is written to the parent's <i>node block</i>, but instead will be written to separate <i>Overflow</i> blocks, one for the UID data and one for all the child's scalar attributes. The purpose of overflow blocks is to spread node related data over multiple storage partitions to reduce IO contention.</p> <p>See Section ? For further details.</p>	

NoSQL vs SQL Databases

NoSQL databases are perceived to be cheaper, faster and scale significantly better than their fancier feature rich SQL cousins. Some of the justification for this view is supported by AWS's NoSQL offering, *Dynamodb* who's *raison d'être* was the failure of traditional SQL databases, notably Oracle, to scale to the extreme loads of [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), causing several unplanned outages. *Dynamodb* was created to specifically process the queries at scale, that Amazon claims, Oracle could not⁹. So in this section I attempt to explain why NoSQL databases have the edge on speed and scalability compared to SQL databases.

However it is not all upside for NoSQL databases as they are also perceived to have a narrower range of use cases compared to their SQL counterparts which offer the very popular relational modelling view of the world, a SQL interface and data consistency as their big drawcards and for a lot of use cases that is still an absolute requirement when ultimate scalability is not.

The driving forces for NoSQL databases was also radically different to the ones that drove traditional SQL database development over fifty years ago. Principal drivers for NoSQL is scalability to global internet scale, low cost, high availability and resilience, all an impossible combination to satisfy during the days of SQL development when only large expensive SMP servers were the norm.

Over the intervening period, small commodity servers where increasing in power sufficient to take on more of the enterprise workloads and universities where frantically publishing research papers describing how to cluster commodity servers into extremely large, powerful, highly available and resilient systems to build vast distributed storage systems, HPC and large batch processing systems. In response commercial and open source software architected their products as distributed systems as data centres started filling up with hundreds of thousands these commodity servers with fast low latency networks and SSDs. This was a match made in heaven for the NoSQL database designer.

Software designers knew each database feature, while useful, came at a measurable cost to scalability¹⁰ due to the increase in "shared resources" such as caches and mutex's, required to implement each feature and the potential for the mutex (gatekeeper to resource) waits to increase dramatically under load¹¹. The clue to NoSQL database designers was to be judicious with features. So the "No" in NoSQL not only means no SQL, it also means no Query Optimiser, no Node Cache (yes, every read is a physical read), no Schemas, no Data Relationships, no Sequencers, that is, no to almost anything that must be shared between database sessions. The result was a large reduction in the number of speed reducing "shared resources". For this reason NoSQL is synonymous with bare bone databases designed to be fast because of what they don't do.

In the case of *Dynamodb*, and I presume other NoSQL's databases, the faster response can also be attributed to the use of the **index organised table** (IOT) structure for tables. IOTs have the benefit that all key and non-key data is clustered together enabling all related data to be accessed in one read request. SQL databases on the other hand use a heap structure for table data with separate index structures for each lookup key. As a result fetching from a SQL table requires two read operations unless the index also includes all the required non-key data. Consequently what is performed in one physical read operation of a NoSQL database typically requires two physical reads in a SQL database¹². Note: some SQL databases do offer an IOT as an alternative to the heap table, and in the authors opinion, are not used enough.

Finally, the **schemaless** nature of a NoSQL database means all related data, of different types, can be clustered together under the same partition key value in a single table. The immediate advantage is all

⁹ To quantify *Dynamodb* performance, it peaked at 45 million requests a second during Amazon Prime day in 2019.

¹⁰ See Appendix C for a explanation and example

¹¹ See Appendix C for further explanation and real world example of severe mutex waits

¹² Of course some of those reads may be from the data cache that SQL databases use. Depending on the type of application (OLTP for example) the cache may be beneficial for other applications (batch processing, analytics) it may add little to no benefit and may in fact slow the overall response because of the mutexes associated with the data cache.

related non-key data can be loaded into application memory in a single database read request¹³. This compares to the “normalised” SQL database design which allocates a table for each data type, requiring one more IO reads per table to orchestrate the data into program memory. Some SQL database’s offer a “clustered table” as a design option which attempts to emulate NoSQL’s schemaless design advantage by physically pre-joining table data at the storage block level. However, there are so many constraints on its implementation clustered tables are rarely used in my experience, at least with Oracle.

Research has found the most significant factor in determining a database’s query response is the degree to which data is clustered at the storage level. The clustering benefits of both *IOTs* and *schemaless* design combined with NoSQL shorter code paths and lack of mutex’s all combine to put it ahead of SQL databases in maintaining faster query response under sever load.

Documented below are the design features in GoGraph’s that designed to increase the data clustering and thereby its query performance. have have improved the degree of data clustering. Broadly they can be categorised as **Dynamodb design** features, **data replication** (propagating child data to parent) and **compressing** sort key data.

Design Feature	Clustering Benefit
<i>Single Table</i>	All graph data is stored in a single table. There are separate tables for <i>type</i> data and logging.
<i>Composite Primary Key</i>	The single graph table has a composite primary key. This forces clustering of data around the <i>partition key</i> value and guarantees the data is sorted within the partition key based on the <i>sort key</i> value. The data can be further partitioned within a partition key using an appropriate sort key design. See <i>Sort Key Design</i>
<i>Node’s UUID as the partition key</i>	Using a node’s <i>UUID</i> as the <i>partition key</i> means a node’s <i>scalar</i> data and other node related data (<i>UUID predicates</i> , <i>propagated</i> data etc) is clustered under the one index entry and can therefore be accessed via a single read operation using the <i>Dynamodb Query</i> API. The data indexed under a node’s <i>UUID</i> is referred to as a node block .
<i>Use of Overflow blocks</i>	Having all the node’s data stored under one <i>partition key</i> value means scalable read options are limited as it will ultimately lead to IO contention on the associated storage partition. To circumvent this it is possible to configure a node to have overflow blocks which extends the node data across multiple partition keys when a configured data size is reached. While the data is still clustered within each partition key, multiple partitions means the option of concurrent reads without risk of IO contention is now possible. See Section ?.
<i>Sort Key Design</i>	A thoughtful <i>sort key</i> design enables partitioning of a node’s data into commonly accessed items e.g. <i>scalar</i> data, <i>propagated scalar</i> for each <i>UUID predicate</i> or <i>all the node data</i> . By specifying the appropriate <i>sort key</i> string a query has some control over just what is returned to the application potentially saving significant number of RCUs. See Section ?
<i>Compress the Sort Key</i>	To increase the clustering factor any attribute name referenced in the <i>sort key</i> uses the attribute’s short name. Note: <i>as part of a type definition each attribute is assigned a short name which is typically one character. An attribute’s short name must be unique to the type in which the attribute belongs.</i> Given some sort keys refer to multiple attribute names this can save considerable storage and reduce the amount of data returned to the application which may result in less database calls.
<i>Partitioning of node data</i>	As discussed in the Sort Key design section, the data designer can partition a nodes data for optimise a Dynamodb read and minimise the <i>read capacity units</i> .

¹³ depending on the amount of data returned their maybe multiple Read Capacity Units consumed.

Design Feature	Clustering Benefit
<i>Duplicate node scalar data to parent node</i>	A major design decision to increase data clustering within a <i>node block</i> is to replicate a child nodes scalar data into its parents <i>node blocks</i> . When this happens a node's scalar data is said to be propagated . Consequently, not only is a node's scalar data clustered into one <i>node block</i> , so is the scalar data for each child node across all <i>UID predicates</i> . The immediate benefit is that a single <i>DynamoDB</i> read operation can potentially access not only all the node's scalar data but also all of the scalar data of its children. This effectively reduces the query depth of a graph from n to $n-1$. See Sort Key design to see how to query individual <i>UID predicate</i> 's propagated data. <i>The obvious cost to incorporate this design is handling updates to scalar data. This is conveniently out of scope for this exercise, however, it maybe a good use of Dynamodb streams to asynchronously update all instances of propagated data after a node scalar update.</i>
<i>List data types contains data for each duplicated scalar attribute</i>	Each scalar attribute, for a child node, is propagated to a <i>Dynamodb</i> item in the associated parent's <i>node block</i> where it is appended to a <i>List</i> data type containing all the other child node's values. From the parent node's perspective there is an item for each <i>UID Predicate</i> and an item for each of the associated scalar attributes. Each of these items contains a <i>List</i> attribute that holds the associated scalar attribute value from all the child nodes. This representation means all child node data is clustered into a set of <i>List</i> data types (one for each scalar attribute) enabling quick in memory scanning.
<i>Duplicate node scalar data to grandparent node</i>	For the particular edge case where a type's <i>UID predicate</i> has a 1:1 relationship with its nested type the above two design components can be extended to the grandchildren. In this case the query depth of a graph for this path can be reduce to $n-2$, saving a significant number of node read operations.

The Million Subscribers Problem

Storing all the data for a node under the one partition key value will present a read scalability issue for nodes that have a large amount of data. The *million subscribers problem* demonstrates this issue. For a real world example of a million subscribers you have to look no further than *YouTube*, where the popular content producers will have multiple millions of subscribers. In such a graph the subscriber might be of type "person", the content producer of type "producer". The quantity of data held for a "person" node would be relatively small, maybe less than 5K, for example it might contain name of person, last 40 views, subscriptions, payment option. For the "producer", however, the associated node would need to hold the unique identifiers of all its subscribers which will consume orders of magnitude more storage and consequently order of magnitude slower to process than a "person" node.

Another example is any node that represents "type" data. For example, in the Movie database a node that represents genre type like "Drama" may reference many thousands of movies. In such a case a genre node's reverse edge attribute will exhibit the same scalability issue as the "subscribers".

Why is there a problem?

As the volume of a node's data grows to megabytes the ability for the application to scale the read to cope with increasing data volumes is non-existent. Given a node's data is currently constrained to a single storage partition the single read thread will eventually lead to unacceptable query times. Any attempt to parallelise the read will ultimately lead to IO contention on the storage partition which *Dynamodb* might well throttle, severely limiting the read performance and scalability.

There is a maximum of 3000 RCU for a single partition.

What is the scale of the problem?

In the case of the million subscribers the UUID of each subscriber is stored in the "subscribers" *UID Predicate*. Given a *UUID* is 16 bytes in length, the "subscribers" *UID Predicate* will consume approximately 16MB of storage¹⁴. To read the

¹⁴ Given a *Dynamodb* item can only store up to 400KB, the "subscribers" data would need to be split across many items.

UUID of all subscribers will consume 4000 RCUs or RRUs (presuming full consistency reads). Presuming around 3ms read times it will take in the order of 10-15 seconds for a single read thread to load the data into memory.

How to fix it.

Using the nodes's UUID value as the table's *partition key* has substantial clustering benefits and does not need to change. However as the volume of data grows and reaches a particular threshold, the design needs to be flexible enough to redirect the new data into other storage partitions which necessarily means assigning different partition keys to some of the node data as it grows in size.

To see how this works let's use the *UUID Predicate attribute "subscribers"* we referred to earlier. The revised design introduces a new *GoGraph* block type, called a *UUID Overflow Block (UOB)*. The UOB is assigned its own partition key value which effectively provides the level of redirection we are after. When a node's data volume reaches a configurable threshold *GoGraph* will create a batch of *UOBs* and assigns each *UOBs UUID* to "subscribers". After that no more *UUIDs* will be added to the "subscribers" *UUID List* and all future child nodes that are attached will have their *UUID* added to one of the *UOB's instead*.

Once this design modification is implemented the programmer is free to scale the reads by assigning concurrent read threads for each partition key value. For example, if the 16MB of *UUID* data is spread over 10 partition key values, and presuming the programs assigns 10 concurrent read threads it will take around 1.2 seconds to load into memory.

More about the UOB

In the revised design the "subscribers" *UUID Predicate* contains a list of *UUIDs* for either a **node block** or a **UOB**. *GoGraph* maintains a separate integer List (attribute *XF* in the same item) to distinguish between these block types. The integer list has a 1:1 association with the the *UUID Predicate's* list. If the integer value is 1 the associated *UUID* is the identifier for a node block, while a value of 3 means the associated *UUID* is the identifier for a node that has been detached or deleted, and a value of 4 means the *UUID* is the identifier for a *UOB*. For example if index entry 124 in the *XF attribute* list has a value 1, *GoGraph* knows entry 124 in the "subscribers" *UUID predicate* list points to a node block. Similarly if the entry 538 in the *XF List* is 3, *GoGraph* knows entry 538 in the "subscribers" *List* points to a *UOB*.

If a set of *UOBs* exists for "subscribers", when a child node is attached, *GoGraph* will select a *UOB* at random and append the newly attached node's *UUID* to its *UUID list*. Remember the reason for a *UOB's* existence is to enable a level of redirection that will spread the data across multiple *partition keys*. In this case each child's *UUIDs*, which may number in the millions, will be spread over multiple *UOBs* and consequently multiple storage partition.

Each *UOB* has an attribute of a *UUID List type* to store the child node's *UUID*. Since a *Dynamodb item* has a maximum size of 400 KB the theoretical limit of *UUIDs* in a *UUID List* is approximately 22,000. Appending to a *UUID List type* with this many *UUIDs*, however, consumes a prodigious number of RCUs (or RRUs) as the entire list must be read each time a *UUID* is appended. As a result *GoGraph* will limit the number of *UUIDs* in the *List* to a maximum of 500. The item itself is known as a *UUID batch*. A *UOB* will contain multiple *UUID batches*, each batch being identified with a batch id integer, starting at 1, appended to the sort key value.

The number of *UUIDs* that can be assigned to each edge predicate is constrained to a *Dynamodb* imposed limit of 10GB, which equates to around 670 million. As all edge predicates have a configurable number of *UOBs* there is effectively no limit to *UUIDs* that can be stored.

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GoGraph's Physical Design

GoGraph stores all graph data, comprising a node's scalar and facet data¹⁵, edge *UUID* data plus all propagated child data in a single *Dynamodb* table. There is no limit to the number of nodes and edges a graph can contain and no limit to the number of graphs.

Composite Primary Key

¹⁵ Facets have not been implemented in current version of *GoGraph*

The graph table uses a composite primary key design, comprising a *partition key* and *sort key*. *DynamoDB* uses the *partition key* value as input to an internal hash function which determines the partition where the associated data will be stored. All items with the same *partition key* value are stored together, in *sort key* order.

The graph table has the following composite key specification:

Key	GoGraph Type	Dynamodb Attribute	Dynamodb Type	Go Type	Size	Description
Partition Key	UUID (1)	PKey	Binary	[]byte	16 bytes	Contains only UUIDs assigned to node blocks or overflow blocks.
Sort Key	String	SortK	String	string	Typical range: 2-12 bytes	Value determines what non-key attributes will be populated. See Sort Key Specification.

1. Universally Unique Identifier (UUID) is a 128-bit number used to identify information in computer systems. GoGraph uses the Satori package to generate version 4 UUIDs.

Sort Key Specification

The *Sort Key* value follows a well defined specification that enables a *GraphQL* query to address individual parts of a node's data using a combination of *DynamoDB's Query API* and the function *BeginsWith* which accepts a leading portion of a *sort key* value as an argument. For example, GoGraph can fetch all the node data or all or some of the scalar data or all or some of the edge data or all or some of the propagated child data, depending on the query requirements and how the node's data has been partitioned. The ability to target how much data is read by *DynamoDB* in a single API read enables GoGraph to minimise the *read capacity units* consumed by a query.

The following components work together to execute *GraphQL* queries with the lowest AWS cost possible:

Component	Description
<i>Query Statement</i>	Defines the predicates that need to be fetched. Each predicate is matched against an identically named attribute in the type system.
<i>Type definition</i>	Each attribute in the type system has a node partition value defined. The default partition is "A" for scalar predicates and "G" for UID predicates. A <i>UID predicate</i> contains edge data in the form of the UUIDs of each of the child nodes.
<i>Sort Key Value</i>	Based on the query predicates and their associated partition values, GoGraph will generate a sort key value that targets one or more of the node's data partitions, with the aim of minimising the consumption of read capacity units.
<i>Query() API</i>	The <i>DynamoDB Query API</i> is used to fetch all or a subset of data within a node block using a generated leading portion of a sort key value which targets a specific partition. Data within a node block is sorted into partitions which the Query can target to optimise read costs. The Query function accepts a <i>partition key</i> value and a comparison function, <i>BeginsWith()</i> in the second argument, into which is passed the leading <i>sort key</i> value.

The table below describes the three types of partitions used in node data.

Node Partitions	Permitted Value(s)	Default Partition	Description
systemPartition	A	A	Internally GoGraph uses this value to separate node data from system generated data for a node. Value A is the only user value supported currently.
scalarPartition	A..F	A	User defined value to separate scalar predicates into different partitions if it makes sense to do so. For example if there are tens of scalar predicates then it may make sense to group them into a few partitions based on predicates that are commonly queried together.

Node Partitions	Permitted Value(s)	Default Partition	Description
UIDPartition	G..K	G	The node's edge data (parent to child nodes for each edge predicate) can be separated into five partitions. (Currently only one partition, G, is supported)

The *sort key* specification is defined in the table below. To keep the sort key as short as possible only short names are used for all references to predicate names. A predicate's short name is defined in its associated type definition (where predicate name matches the type name). The specification also references the node partitions described in the table above.

Node Data	Sort Key Specification
Scalar predicates	<systemPartition>#<ScalarPartition>#:<predicateShortName>
UID predicates	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>
Promoted child node scalar predicates	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#:<predicateShortName> <systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#:<predicateShortName>#<UOBbatchId>
Promoted grandchild node edge data	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>
UOB variant	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#<UOBbatchID>
Promoted grandchild node scalar predicates (for 1:1 cardinality only)	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#<UIDPartition>#:<grandchildUIDpredicateShortName>#:<childPredicateShortName>
UOB variant	<systemPartition>#<UIDPartition>#:<UIDpredicateShortName>#<UIDPartition>#:<grandchildUIDpredicateShortName>#:<childPredicateShortName>#<UOBbatchID>

For an example of *sort key* usage see the graph data from the Movie database at the end of the next section.

The table below lists the system generated data for each node. show the system Sort Key values that are generated for each node.

Generated Node Data	Sort Key
Node Type	A#A#T
Reverse Edge	R#

GoGraph Data Model

The Graph Data Model detailed in the table below, shows the available *GoGraph* types and their mappings to *Dynamodb*'s table *attributes* and their associated *Dynamodb* types and internal *Go* Types for the seven categories of node data. While most need no explanation the use of *Dynamodb* **List** type for the *Edge Predicates* (aka *UID Predicates*) and corresponding *propagated scalar predicates* does require some explanation.

Internally *GoGraph* makes extensive use of the *Dynamodb* **List** data type, because unlike *Dynamodb*'s **Set** data type, the order of the elements in a List is fixed. *GoGraph* can use this fact to maintain a relationship between the same index entry in each List type attribute.

For example, each *UID Predicate* (an edge predicate) exists as a *Dynamodb* item with three attributes, **Nd**, **Xf** and **Id**, which are all List types. Please confirm from the table below. When a child node is attached to a parent node, *GoGraph* will append the child node's UUID to the **Nd** attribute in the parent node block. It will also append to the **Xf** attribute an integer which identifies whether the UUID is a node block or a UOB. Finally, it appends to the **Id** attribute a value of 0 for a node block and a value of 1..n for a UOB representing a batch id. Because the order in the List type is maintained and the attach-node operation is atomic, *GoGraph* knows that the same index entry in each List attribute represents different aspects of the same object. *If you are familiar with Columnar tables in most RDBMS this is essentially the equivalent. GoGraph has taken three distinct pieces of meta data from each child node and appended them to three distinct "columns", represented by List types, Nd, Xf and Id in the parent node. Like Columnvar database it is far quicker to scan a List than it is to scan a lot of child nodes for the same data.*

Similarly, each scalar attribute for a child node when propagated to the parent node is appended to an associated List attribute in a *Dynamodb* item in the parent's node block. See the table below under "Propagated Scalar Data" for the attribute names associated with each List data type.

For example, if a parent node's *UID Predicate* type has a "Name" attribute of type string then the propagation routine, which executes as part of the attach-node operation, will append the "Name" value from the child node to attribute **LS** (List for Strings) and append the boolean value "false" to the **XBI** attribute as "Name" exists in the child node. If the "Name" did not exist in the child node the value "true" would be appended to **XBI** and the value "_NULL_" to the **LS** attribute¹⁶. Note, both **LS** and **XBI** attribute exist in the same *Dynamodb* item in the parent node block which is identified by a sort key value which contains the short names of the *UID Predicate* and the "Name" attribute type, separated by "#: " e.g. "A#G#:D#:N". This means *GoGraph* can address a specific propagated scalar attribute or as is the usual case can address all propagated scalar attribute in a single API call passing in the string "A#G#:D#".

Node Data	GoGraph Type	Dynamodb Attribute	Dynamodb Type	Go Type	Description
Composite Key	Binary	PKey	Binary	[]byte	Partition key
	String	SortK	String	string	Sort Key
Node Type	String	Ty	String	string	User defined type (short name)
Scalar Data	String	S	String	string	
	Int	I	Number	int64	
	Float	F	Number	float64	
	Binary	B	Binary	[]byte	
	Boolean	BI	Boolean	bool	
	DateTime	DT	String	string	

¹⁶ A null value entry is required because the child node's UUID has already been appended to the **Nd** attribute and so all propagated scalar attribute Lists must have an associated index entry to maintain the index entry relationship.

Node Data	GoGraph Type	Dynamodb Attribute	Dynamodb Type	Go Type	Description
	String	P	String	string	When populated with the attribute long name the associated scalar value will be indexed into the appropriate GSI. The GSI is used for root queries.
	String	Ix	String	string	When populated with "x" the Ty attribute will be entered into a GSI. Used in root search to find nodes of a particular Type, or filter to check type of node.
Set Scalar	Number Set	NS	Number Set	[]float64	Set of numbers
	String Set	SS	String Set	[]string	set of strings
	Binary Set	BS	Binary Set	[]byte	Set of binary
	<i>Binary Set</i>	<i>PBS*</i>	<i>Binary Set</i>	<i>[]byte</i>	<i>Set of binary</i>
List Scalar	Number List	LN	List	[]int	List constrained to number
	String List	LS	List	[]string	List constrained to string
	Binary List	LB	List	[]byte	List constrained to binary
	Boolean List	LBI	List	[]bool	List constrained to boolean
UID Predicate	List of UID	Nd	List	[]byte	Ordered list of Binary (child node UUIDs)
	Int	XF	List	[]int	UID flag: 1 - <i>child UUID</i> 2 - <i>Node Deleted</i> 3 - <i>Child UUID Overflow</i> 4 - <i>Overflow Block Full</i>
	Int	Id	List	[]int	Relevant for Overflow UUIDs only. Overflow batch ID
Propagated Scalar Data	Number List	LN	List	[]int	List constrained to number
	String List	LS	List	[]string	List constrained to string
	Binary List	LB	List	[]byte	List constrained to binary
	Boolean List	XBI	List	[]bool	List constrained to boolean: TRUE means associated scalar list data is NULL ie. not defined

* internal to GoGraph - do not use

Data Example: Movie Graph

Types

Review the following type definitions from the Movie database.

Type	Attribute (The predicate in S-P-O)	Attribute Short Name	GoGraph Type
Film	title	N	String
	init_release_date	R	DT

Type	Attribute (The predicate in S-P-O)	Attribute Short Name	GoGraph Type
	film.performance	P	[Performance] Note: [] so cardinality 1:M
	film.director	D	[Person] Note: [] so cardinality 1:M
	film.genre	G	[Genre] Note: [] so cardinality 1:M
Genre	name	N	String
Person	name	N	String
	actor.performance	A	[Performance] Note: [] so cardinality 1:M
	director.film	D	[Film] Note: [] so cardinality 1:M
Character	name	N	String
Performance	performance.character	C	Character Note: no [] so cardinality 1:1
	performance.actor	A	Person Note: no [] so cardinality 1:1
	performance.film	F	Film Note: no [] so cardinality 1:1

Graph Data for a Person Node

Instance of **Person** scalar item. Please review the SortK Specification on page 17 for an explanation of the SortK values.

PKey	SortK	Non-Key Data: Attribute - Value
7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA==	A#A#:N [name]	P - name S - "Stanley Kubrick"

Instances of Person **UID Predicates** (edges), *Actor:Performance* and *Director:Film*.

PKey	SortK	Non-Key Data: Attribute - Value
7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA==	A#G#:A [actor.performance]	Nd - [ZILM/pmeTTKf1oahnGYgiA== OdRS8o9eRdKnKVUA9KHStw==] XF - [1 , 1] Id - [0 , 0]
	A#G#:D [director.film]	Nd - [3WdQPRAiRG29iGuGHKuLMA== ymanEWWqSFSml9xvZK9tsA== ... QZTfWCUWSr++82yW2QaoBQ== ...] XF - [1 , 1 , ..., 1 , ...] Id - [0 , 0 , ..., 0 , ...]

Instances of Person, **propagated child scalar** Items for UID Predicate, *Director:Film*.

PKey	SortK	Non-Key Data: Attribute - Value
	A#G#:D#:R [initial_release_date]	LS - ["1968-04-02T00:00:00Z" "1964-01-29T00:00:00Z" ... "1999-07-13T00:00:00Z" ...] XBI - [False, False, ..., False,...]

Instances of Person, **propagated grandchild scalar** Items for UID Predicate, *Actor.Performance*

PKey	SortK	Non-Key Data: Attribute - Value
7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA==	A#G#:A#G#:A [performance]	Nd - [7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA== 7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA==] XF - [1 , 1] Id - [0 , 0]
	A#G#:A#G#:A#:N [performance.actor]	LS - ["Stanley Kubrick" "Stanley Kubrick"] XBI - [False, False]
	A#G#:A#G#:C [performance.character]	Nd - [HmarwkocQkeBsMfQaAr5xg== tZJl2ecaTDon0NYPHcudGA==] XF - [1 , 1] Id - [0 , 0]
	A#G#:A#G#:C#:N [name]	LS - ["Murphy" "Bearded Cafe Patron"] XBI - [False, False]
	A#G#:A#G#:F [performance.film]	Nd - [iTjslAP3SimyDhKzQ4HZ0A== OL1MDBTnR3qltV5RCJCHuQ==] XF - [1 , 1] Id - [0 , 0]
	A#G#:A#G#:F#:N [name]	LS - ["Full Metal Jacket" "Eyes Wide Shut"] XBI - [False, False]
	A#G#:A#G#:F#:R [initial_release_date]	LS - ["1987-06-17T00:00:00Z" "1999-07-13T00:00:00Z"] XBI - [False, False] Id - [0 , 0]

Finally, the system generated Sort Keys

PKey	SortK	Non-Key Data: Attribute - Value
7kRfp8KyQ/erDWfM15ZnwA==	A#A#T	Ty - "P" (type short name) Ix - "Y"
	R#	BS - [AJchPqDKT+a+wfnqQI9eAACXIT6gyk/mvsH56kCPXgBEIzA= OL1MDBTnR3qltV5RCJCHuTi9TAwU50d6pbVeUQiQh7IEIzA= ... 92A+y9KHS8ePq00cUfo/zvdgPsvSh0vHj6tNHFH6P85ElzA=] PBS - [AJchPqDKT+a+wfnqQI9eAEQ= OL1MDBTnR3qltV5RCJCHuUQ= ... 92A+y9KHS8ePq00cUfo/zkQ=]

Query Performance

The following performance test cases are taken from the GoGraph's test function suite. The first lot of tests demonstrate some of the implemented functions and the latter tests demonstrate query performance against the Movie database.

Non-Concurrent Execution Engine

Git reference: <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/gql/ast/execute.go>

Unlike the RDF Loader the query execution engine is not a concurrent design. Some additional work will be required to achieve that status mostly around shared variable management. Consequently executing a query involves firstly executing the root query and for each node returned sequentially navigate the graph starting at that node and node apply filters as necessary.

A Word About The Data

Two graphs are used for testing. The *Relationship Graph* (<https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/data/person.rdf>) was handcrafted specifically for functional testing. It contains only a handful of nodes populated with familiar data and explicitly defined UUIDs to aid in the verification of the test results. *Note: because this graph is aimed at functional testing the query response times are unrealistic due to the limited number of nodes in the graph and internal caching in the query execution engine.*

The *Movie Graph*, on the other hand, is sourced from the internet (<https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/data/million.rdf>) and is large enough for performance testing. The internet file is however not in the appropriate format for the concurrent Loader and must be run through the migrate program to regenerate and reorder the RDF tuples it into an acceptable format for the Loader. The migration code is available here: <https://github.com/rosshpayne/GoGraph/rdfm>

The *Movie Graph* has the following stats.

- RDF Triples: 1153863
- 947 director nodes
- 70780 actor nodes
- 283 genre nodes
- 6356 film nodes
- 119258 character nodes
- 119258 performance nodes
- 7389 film-director edges
- 119258 film-performance edges
- 119258 performance-actor edges
- 119258 performance-film edges
- 119258 performance-character edges
- 23679 film-genre edges

Test 1: UID Predicate Filter with Boolean expression

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	20
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	15
Nodes at each depth	{ 3, 7, 10 }
Nodes Displayed at each Depth (after Filtering)	{ 3, 2, 10 }
Reduction in DB requests *	50%
Database requests	1 root request 4 node requests **
Query Elapsed Time (estimated) ***	52 ms
Average Node query time (estimated)	5.2 ms

* as a result of propagating scalar data from child to parent node
** limitation of test data. More realistic graph data would require 10 requests
*** based on 10 nodes queried, none cached.

Comment

This test highlights the use of a boolean expression inside an edge predicate filter.
See comments in red for further explanation.

Test Function

```
func TestUPredFilter4ab(t *testing.T) {                                <= Go Test function
    input := `{                                                         <= GraphQL statement
        directors(func: eq(count(Siblings), 2) ) {                     <= Root expression. Find persons with 2 siblings.
            Age
            Name
            Friends @filter( (le(Age,40) or eq(Name,"Ian Payne")) and ge(Age,62)) { <= Boolean expression Filter
                Age
                Name
                Comment
                Friends {
                    Name
                    Age
                }
                Siblings {
                    Age
                    Name
                    Comment
                }
            }
        }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{3, 2, 10}                                <= meta data to validate response. Nodes queried at each depth
    expectedTouchNodes = 15

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)                             <= Graph to query. Parse and Execute.
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()                                         <= Generate JSON output of response
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
    Shutdown()
}

$ go test -run=TestUPredFilter4ab -v

Duration: Parse 87.646126ms Execute: 27.420353ms                      <= Parse and Execute times
```

```

{
  data: [
    {
      Age : 62,
      Name : "Ross Payne",
      Friends : [
        {
          Age: 67,
          Name: "Ian Payne",
          Comment: "One of the best cab rides I have Payne seen to date! Anyone know how fast the train was going
around 20 mins in?",
          Friends : [
            {
              Name: "Phil Smith",
              Age: 36,
            },
            {
              Name: "Ross Payne",
              Age: 62,
            },
            {
              Name: "Paul Payne",
              Age: 58,
            },
          ],
          Siblings : [
            {
              Age: 58,
              Name: "Paul Payne",
              Comment: "A foggy snowy morning lit with Smith sodium lamps is an absolute dream",
            },
            {
              Age: 62,
              Name: "Ross Payne",
              Comment: "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from Passau. Dad was over in Germany
but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend
everyone.",
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      Age : 67,
      Name : "Ian Payne",
      Friends : [
        {
          Age: 58,
          Name : "Paul Payne",
          Friends : [
            {
              Age: 67,
              Name: "Ian Payne",
              Comment: "One of the best cab rides I have Payne seen to date! Anyone know how fast the train was going
around 20 mins in?",
              Friends : [
                {
                  Name: "Phil Smith",
                  Age: 36,
                },
                {
                  Name: "Ross Payne",
                  Age: 62,
                },
                {
                  Name: "Paul Payne",
                  Age: 58,
                },
              ],
              Siblings : [
                {
                  Age: 58,
                  Name: "Paul Payne",
                  Comment: "A foggy snowy morning lit with Smith sodium lamps is an absolute dream",
                },
                {
                  Age: 62,
                  Name: "Ross Payne",
                  Comment: "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from Passau. Dad was over in Germany
but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend
everyone.",
                },
              ],
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
}
]
}

in comparStat [3 2 10]
--- PASS: TestUPredFilter4ab (2.13s)
PASS
ok      github.com/DynamoGraph/gql      2.170s

```

```

DB:2021/03/27 06:54:42 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger =====
gqlES: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.181911 Client: 7.9.0      <= Version: Elasticsearch client and server
gqlES: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.181938 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.181951 Startup...
monitor: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.182082 Powering on...    <= Start required services: monitor, grmgr
grmgr: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.182099 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.182110 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.182467 db.getGraphId     <= Load GraphId, Type data into application
TypesDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.248367 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 65.822007ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.248506 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.251117 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 2.568258ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.254925 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 3.72274ms
gqlDB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.276772 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 6.638312ms      <= 3 nodes satisfy root query
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.276875 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A# <= Node Query: SortKey beginsWith "A#"
DB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.282036 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}                                     <= Query API
                                     <= strongly consistent read (configured)
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 5.104856ms      <= all node data fetched. 19 items
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.282643 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#G# <= read propagated items only
DB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.288979 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.28986ms      <= 12 items read into execution cache
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.289150 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#
grmgr: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.289192 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.293341 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 20 Duration: 4.14494ms
grmgr: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.293645 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.293659 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A# <= read scalar and propagated items
DB: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.297268 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 3.570927ms
gql: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.297492 Duration: Parse 87.646126ms Execute: 27.420353ms <= Elapsed times: query parse, query execution
grmgr: 2021/03/27 06:54:42.297502 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -2
monitor: 2021/03/27 07:00:57.929751 monitor: []interface {}{3, 3, 15, []int{3, 2, 10}, 4, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0004c14c0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:4, CapacityUnits:4, Items:70, Duration:20530844}
gql: 2021/03/27 06:54:44.297627 Shutdown commenced... <= Shutdown services: monitor, grmgr
grmgr: 2021/03/27 06:54:44.297682 Powering down...
monitor: 2021/03/27 06:54:44.297692 Powering down...
gql: 2021/03/27 06:54:44.297701 Shutdown Completed

```


Test 2: Full Text Searching and Root Filter Expression

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	13
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	12
Nodes at each depth	{ 2, 2, 3, 6 }
Nodes Displayed at each Depth (after Filtering)	{ 1, 2, 3, 6 }
Reduction in DB requests *	46%
Database requests	1 ElasticSearch request 7 Dynamodb requests
Query Elapsed Time	44.5 ms
Average Node query time	2.8 ms (44.5-7.79)/13

* as a result of propagating scalar data from child to parent node

Comment

This test demonstrates uses two data sources to resolve the query. The root query uses the full text search function, *anyofterms*, to query **ElasticSearch**, which returns with the node UUIDs that satisfy the function. For each UUID GoGraph then searches **Dynamodb** to resolve the filter function. Those nodes that satisfy the filter are then passed through the rest of the GraphQL query.

Test Function

```
func TestRootQueryAnyPlusFilter2(t *testing.T) {
    // Friends {
    //     Age
    // }
    input := `{
    directors(func: anyofterms(Comment,"sodium Germany Chris")) @filter(gt(Age,60)){ <= ElasticSearch query + filter
expression
    Age
    Name
    Comment
    Friends {
        Name
        Age
        Siblings {
            Name
            Friends {
                Name
                Age
                Comment
            }
        }
    }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 2, 3, 6}
    expectedTouchNodes = 12

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestRootQueryAnyPlusFilter2 -v
```

gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.220263 Duration: Parse 76.1568ms Execute: 44.521291ms

monitor: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.220698 monitor: []interface {}{2, 1, 13, []int{2, 2, 3, 6}, 12, []int{1, 2, 3, 6}, 7, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0004b1140), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:7, CapacityUnits:7, Items:94, Duration:32610743}

data: [

```

    {
      Age : 62,
      Name : "Ross Payne",
      Comment : "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from Passau. Dad was over in
Germany but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right now. Thanks for posting it.
Have a great weekend everyone.",
      Friends : [
        {
          Name: "Phil Smith",
          Age: 36,
          Siblings : [
            {
              Name: "Jenny Jones",
              Friends : [
                {
                  Name: "Ross Payne",
                  Age: 62,
                  Comment: "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from
Passau. Dad was over in Germany but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right
now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend everyone.",
                },
                {
                  Name: "Paul Payne",
                  Age: 58,
                  Comment: "A foggy snowy morning lit with Smith sodium lamps is an absolute
dream",
                },
              ],
            },
          ],
        },
        {
          Name: "Ian Payne",
          Age: 67,
          Siblings : [
            {
              Name: "Paul Payne",
              Friends : [
                {
                  Name: "Ross Payne",
                  Age: 62,
                  Comment: "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from
Passau. Dad was over in Germany but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right
now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend everyone.",
                },
                {
                  Name: "Ian Payne",
                  Age: 67,
                  Comment: "One of the best cab rides I have Payne seen to date! Anyone know
how fast the train was going around 20 mins in?",
                },
              ],
            },
          ],
        },
        {
          Name: "Ross Payne",
          Friends : [
            {
              Name: "Phil Smith",
              Age: 36,
              Comment: "It seems to me the camera's Smith focus is better, clearer,
thank you for sharing, I think Austria is a beautiful country I'm not surprised that it produced so many great
classical musicians.",
            },
            {
              Name: "Ian Payne",
              Age: 67,
              Comment: "One of the best cab rides I have Payne seen to date! Anyone know
how fast the train was going around 20 mins in?",
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    }
  ]
}
```

Log Output

DB:2021/03/30 03:29:55 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098713 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098739 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098755 Startup...

```

monitor: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098803 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098832 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.098844 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.099570 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.166821 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 67.163807ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.166958 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.169869 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 2.871743ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.173918 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 3.953619ms
gqlES: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.183507 ES Search duration: 7.79105ms
entry
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.185477 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.192306 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 6.682568ms
grmgr: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.192459 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.192490 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.198446 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 20 Duration: 5.918953ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.198616 node: 0lTBKXemTNWAtwDDt6U5/A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.203035 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 4.378531ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.203210 node: 6nG/Cd+dSoyD48CrXQjrlQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.206455 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.204773ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.206625 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.211914 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 5.249466ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.212071 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.215904 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.796902ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.216088 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.219507 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.37955ms
grmgr: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.220246 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1
gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:55.220263 Duration: Parse 76.1568ms Execute: 44.521291ms
monitor: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.220698 monitor: []interface {}{2, 1, 13, []int{2, 2, 3, 6}, 12, []int{1, 2, 3, 6}, 7,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0004b1140), interface {}{nil}, interface {}{nil}} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:7, CapacityUnits:7,
Items:94, Duration:32610743}
DB: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.228503 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 4,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 7.498688ms
gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.228554 Shutdown commenced...
monitor: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.228570 Powering down...
monitor: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.228571 Powering down...
gql: 2021/03/30 03:29:57.228583 Shutdown Completed

```

<= ElasticSearch log

Test 3: Generate a Graph of Depth 5

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	145
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	145
Nodes at each depth	{ 3, 7, 30, 32, 73 }
Reduction in DB requests *	50%
Database requests	1 Root request 15 Node requests **
Query Elapsed Time	78 ms 340 ms ***
Average Node query time	4.7 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

** Due to internal caches in the execution engine only 15 nodes are fetched from Dynamodb. For more realistic data 72 nodes would be fetched.

*** When extrapolated to 72 nodes.

Comment

This query demonstrates generating a graph of depth 5. The root query uses the equality function, `eq`, to find the nodes that have exactly two siblings.

Test Function

```
func TestRootQuery1f(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
    directors(func: eq(count(Siblings), 2)) {
      Age
      Name
      Friends {
        Age
        Name
        Friends {
          Name
          Age
          Siblings {
            Name
            Age
            Friends {
              Name
              Age
              DOB
            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{3, 7, 30, 32, 73}
    expectedTouchNodes = 145

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
    Shutdown()
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestRootQuery1f -v
```

Duration: Parse 85.067525ms Execute: 78.326803ms

```
monitor: []interface {}{3, 3, 145, []int{3, 7, 30, 32, 73}, 145, []int{3, 7, 30, 32, 73}, 15, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0000f4b20),
interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      Age : 62,
      Name : "Ross Payne",
      Friends : [
        {
          Age: 36,
          Name: "Phil Smith",
          Friends : [
            {
              Name: "Paul Payne",
              Age: 58,
              Siblings : [
                {
                  Name: "Ross Payne",
                  Age: 62,
                  Friends : [
                    {
                      Name: "Phil Smith",
                      Age: 36,
                      DOB: "17 June 1976",
                    },
                    {
                      Name: "Ian Payne",
                      Age: 67,
                      DOB: "29 Jan 1953",
                    },
                  ],
                },
                {
                  Name: "Ian Payne",
                  Age: 67,
                  Friends : [
                    {
                      Name: "Phil Smith",
                      Age: 36,
                      DOB: "17 June 1976",
                    },
                    {
                      Name: "Ross Payne",
                      Age: 62,
                      DOB: "13 March 1958",
                    },
                    {
                      Name: "Paul Payne",
                      Age: 58,
                      DOB: "2 June 1960",
                    },
                  ],
                },
              ],
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    },
    . . . .
    {
      Name: "Ian Payne",
      Age: 67,
      Friends : [
        {
          Name: "Phil Smith",
          Age: 36,
          DOB: "17 June 1976",
        },
        {
          Name: "Ross Payne",
          Age: 62,
          DOB: "13 March 1958",
        },
        {
          Name: "Paul Payne",
          Age: 58,
          DOB: "2 June 1960",
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
  Siblings : [
    {
      Name: "Paul Payne",
    },
    {
      Name: "Ross Payne",
    },
  ],
}
}
```

Log Output

DB:2021/03/31 09:03:18 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger

```

gqlES: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669729 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669749 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669760 Startup...
monitor: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669800 Powering on...
monitor: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669800 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669826 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.669969 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.736810 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 66.755535ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.736875 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.740159 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 3.242505ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.744088 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 3.842719ms
gqlDB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.762227 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 7.148268ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.762331 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.769233 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 6.848353ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.769934 node: 66PNdV1TSKOpDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.773936 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.954668ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.774061 node: 0lTBKXemTNWATwDDt6U5/A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.780447 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.341387ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.780697 node: 6nG/Cd+dSoyD48CrXQjrLQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.788195 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 7.428827ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.788311 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.792966 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 4.605103ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.793090 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.796306 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.174697ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.796415 node: 66PNdV1TSKOpDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.799894 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.437771ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.800165 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.803994 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.783304ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.804140 node: 66PNdV1TSKOpDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.807903 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.725294ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.808030 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.811703 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.633049ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.811831 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.815188 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.317495ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.815325 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.815352 node: 66PNdV1TSKOpDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.819317 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 20 Duration: 3.91359ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.821221 node: 0lTBKXemTNWATwDDt6U5/A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.825456 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 4.183986ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.825589 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1

```

```
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.825700 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.829595 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 3.849564ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.829751 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.833218 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.428239ms
gql: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.833344 Duration: Parse 85.067525ms Execute: 78.326803ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 09:03:18.833353 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -2
monitor: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.836150 monitor: []interface {}{3, 3, 145, []int{3, 7, 30, 32, 73}, 145, []int{3, 7, 30, 32, 73}, 15, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0000fe260), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:15, CapacityUnits:15, Items:197, Duration:65625327}
DB: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.853483 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 12,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 17.1962ms
gql: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.853519 Shutdown commenced...
grmgr: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.853533 Powering down...
monitor: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.853542 Powering down...
gql: 2021/03/31 09:03:20.853547 Shutdown Completed
```

Test 4: Has Function in Filter

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	5
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	3
Nodes at each depth	{3, 2}
Nodes at each depthFiltered	{1, 2}
Reduction in DB requests *	40%
Database requests	1 Root request 3 Node requests
Query Elapsed Time	27.5 ms
Average Node query time for 5 nodes **	5.5 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

** 3 nodes were fetched from database containing data for 5 nodes because of data propagation from child to parent

Comment

The *has* function checks each node for the existence of a particular attribute. In this example it filters any nodes returned from the root query that do not have an "Address" attribute.

Test Function

```
func TestRootFilterHas1(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
        me(func: eq(count(Siblings),2)) @filter(has(Address)) { <= find all nodes with 2 siblings that have an
address
            Name
            Address
            Age
            Siblings {
                Name
                Age
            }
        }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 2}
    expectedTouchNodes = 3

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestRootFilterHas1 -v
```

Duration: Parse 102.856088ms Execute: 27.534578ms

monitor: []interface {}{3, 1, 5, []int{3, 2}, 3, []int{1, 2}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00030a160), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}

```
{
  data: [
    {
      Name: "Ross Payne",
```



```

    Address : "55 Fredrick St Helensville, QLD, Australia",
    Age : 62,
    Siblings : [
      {
        Name: "Paul Payne",
        Age: 58,
      },
      {
        Name: "Ian Payne",
        Age: 67,
      }
    ]
  }
}
]
}

```

Log Output

```

DB:2021/03/31 03:35:33 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692714 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692744 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692759 Startup...
monitor: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692803 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692817 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.692829 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.693018 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.772950 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 79.843545ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.773099 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.775855 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 2.71016ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.785338 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 9.392268ms
gqlDB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.802703 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 6.539166ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.802831 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.811000 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 8.10721ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.811292 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.811316 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.815989 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 20 Duration: 4.630716ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.816146 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#
grmgr: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.816176 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1
DB: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.823228 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 7.036968ms
gql: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.823396 Duration: Parse 102.856088ms Execute: 27.534578ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 03:35:33.823510 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -2
monitor: 2021/03/31 03:35:35.823802 monitor: []interface {}{3, 1, 5, []int{3, 2}, 3, []int{1, 2}, 3,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00030a160), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:3, CapacityUnits:3,
Items:58, Duration:19774894}
DB: 2021/03/31 03:35:35.832098 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 8.089336ms

```

Test 5: *Has* function in Root Filter and Edge Predicate

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	9
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	5
Nodes at each depth	{3, 6}
Nodes at each depthFiltered	{3, 2}
Reduction in DB requests *	66%
Database requests	1 Root request 3 Node requests
Query Elapsed Time	24.6 ms
Average Node query time for 9 nodes **	1.9 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

** 3 nodes were fetched from database containing data for 9 nodes because of data propagation from child to parent

Comment

Test Function

```
func TestUIdPredFilterHasScalar(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
        me(func: eq(count(Siblings),2)) @filter(has(Friends)) {
            Name
            Address
            Age
            Siblings @filter(has(Address)) {
                Name
                Age
            }
        }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{3, 2}
    expectedTouchNodes = 5

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())
    validate(t, result)
}
```

Test Function

```
$ go test -run=TestUIdPredFilterHasScalar -v
```

```
Duration: Parse 77.336338ms Execute: 24.630652ms
```

```
monitor: []interface {}{3, 3, 9, []int{3, 6}, 5, []int{3, 2}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc000562aa0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      Name : "Ross Payne",
      Address : "67/55 Burkitt St Page, ACT, Australia",
      Age : 62,
```

```

    Siblings : [
    ]
  },
  {
    Name : "Ian Payne",
    Address : <nil>,
    Age : 67,
    Siblings : [
      {
        Name: "Ross Payne",
        Age: 62,
      }
    ]
  },
  {
    Name : "Paul Payne",
    Address : <nil>,
    Age : 58,
    Siblings : [
      {
        Name: "Ross Payne",
        Age: 62,
      }
    ]
  }
]
}

```

```

DB:2021/03/31 04:52:40 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651728 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651748 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651759 Startup...
grmgr: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651810 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651810 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.651853 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.652055 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.720110 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 67.963248ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.720251 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.723177 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 2.882168ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.727393 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 4.111155ms
gqlDB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.736516 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 7.086526ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.736617 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.742904 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 6.240674ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.743327 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#
grmgr: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.743364 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.747538 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 20 Duration: 4.134888ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.747704 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.747713 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.753837 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 19 Duration: 6.082396ms
gql: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.753992 Duration: Parse 77.336338ms Execute: 24.630652ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 04:52:40.754002 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -2
monitor: 2021/03/31 04:52:42.754314 monitor: [interface {}]{3, 3, 9, [int{3, 6}, 5, [int{3, 2}, 3,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc000562aa0), interface {}{nil}, interface {}{nil}] monitor.Fetch{Fetches:3, CapacityUnits:3,
Items:58, Duration:16958}
DB: 2021/03/31 04:52:42.762577 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 8.036407ms

```

Test 6: *AnyOfTerms* function in Root Filter

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	3
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	2
Nodes at each depth	{ 3 }
Nodes at each depthFiltered	{ 2 }
Reduction in DB requests *	0%
Database requests	1 Root request 3 Node requests

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

Comment

Demonstrates the use of the *anyofterms* in a root filter. While the root query is resolved in Dynamodb the filter function is implemented in GoGraph.

Test Function

```
func TestRootFilteranyofterms1(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
        me(func: eq(count(Siblings),2)) @filter( anyofterms(Comment,"sodium Germany Chris") ) {
            Name
            Comment
        }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{2}
    expectedTouchNodes = 2

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestRootFilteranyofterms1 -v
```

Duration: Parse 75.978328ms Execute: 21.894101ms

```
monitor: []interface {}{3, 2, 3, []int{3}, 2, []int{2}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00020c2a0), interface {}{nil}, interface {}{nil}}
in comparStat [2]
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      Name: "Ross Payne",
      Comment: "Another fun video. Loved it my Payne Grandmother was from Passau. Dad was over in Germany but there was something going on over there at the time we won't discuss right now. Thanks for posting it. Have a great weekend everyone.",
    },
    {
      Name: "Paul Payne",
      Comment: "A foggy snowy morning lit with Smith sodium lamps is an absolute dream",
    }
  ]
}
```

```

DB:2021/03/31 05:43:33 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319823 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319843 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319851 Startup...
monitor: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319889 Powering on...
monitor: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319889 Powering on...
gql: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.319918 services started
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.320116 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.387590 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 67.398378ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.387852 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.391090 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 3.195452ms
TypesDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.394467 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 3.282593ms
gqlDB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.402388 GISIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 6.281371ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.402457 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#A
DB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.408876 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 6.384021ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.409059 node: 66PNdV1TSKOpDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#A
grmgr: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.409302 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = 0
DB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.413977 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 8 Duration: 4.858527ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.414086 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#A
grmgr: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.414161 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -1
DB: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.417852 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.72264ms
gql: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.417945 Duration: Parse 75.978328ms Execute: 21.894101ms
grmgr: 2021/03/31 05:43:33.417954 EndCh received for execute. rCnt = -2
monitor: 2021/03/31 05:43:35.418815 monitor: []interface {}{3, 2, 3, []int{3}, 2, []int{2}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)
(0xc00020c2a0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:3, CapacityUnits:3, Items:22,
Duration:14965188}
DB: 2021/03/31 05:43:35.427508 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 8.282496ms

```

Test 8: *AllOfTerms* function in Root Filter

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Relationship
Nodes Queried	3
Nodes Displayed (after filtering)	1
Nodes at each depth	{ 3 }
Nodes at each depthFiltered	{ 1 }
Reduction in DB requests *	0%
Database requests	1 Root request 3 Node requests

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

Comment

Demonstrates the use of the *allofterms* in a root filter. While the root query is resolved in *Dynamodb* the filter function is implemented in *GoGraph*.

Test Function

```
func TestRootFilterallofterms1c(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
        me(func: eq(count(Siblings),2)) @filter( allofterms(Comment,"sodium Germany Chris") or eq(Name,"Ian Payne")) {
            Name
        }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1}
    expectedTouchNodes = 1

    stmt := Execute("Relationship", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestRootFilterallofterms1c -v
```

```
Duration: Parse 96.683441ms Execute: 24.462418ms
```

```
monitor: []interface {}{3, 1, 3, []int{3}, 1, []int{1}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00002c540), interface {}(nil),
interface {}(nil)}
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      Name : "Ian Payne",
    }
  ]
}
```

Log Output

```
DB:2021/04/01 04:20:03 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427602 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427632 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427646 Startup...
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427688 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427703 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.427714 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.428375 db.getGraphId
```

```

TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.504709 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 76.1864ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.504779 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.508742 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 3.913565ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.514310 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 10 Duration: 5.057964ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.530796 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 3 Duration: 5.830418ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.530891 node: TsI2Qay8T2Sxn0cuI3pPeg== subKey: A#A
DB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.535560 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.61992ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.536514 node: 66PNdV1TSK0pDRl071+Aow== subKey: A#A
DB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.543867 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 8 Duration: 7.227218ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.544370 node: 6KIuWuyTRKSgDqwYAghl7A== subKey: A#A
DB: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.549178 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.748581ms
gql: 2021/04/01 04:20:03.549368 Duration: Parse 96.683441ms Execute: 24.462418ms
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:20:05.549638 monitor: []interface {}{3, 1, 3, []int{3}, 1, []int{1}, 3, (*monitor.Fetch)
(0xc000292ba0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:3, CapacityUnits:3, Items:22,
Duration:16595719}
DB: 2021/04/01 04:20:05.561143 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 11.347616ms

```

Test 9: Equality Expression in Root Query

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Movies
Nodes Queried	8
Nodes at each depth	{1, 7}
Database requests	1 Root request 1 Node requests
Reduction in DB requests *	87.5%
Query Elapsed Time	12.5 ms
DB Average Request time for 1 node	5.2 ms
Average query time for 8 nodes	0.74 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

Comment

The test demonstrates the use of the equality function `eq` in the root query.

It is also worthwhile mentioning the affect of data duplication (propagating child scalar data to parent) in this test. One node is returned from the root query but embedded in the response is the scalar data of the 7 child “genre” nodes, for a reduction in database query calls of 87.5%.

Test Function

```
func TestMovieEq(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
        me(func:eq(title, "Poison")) {
            title
            film.genre {
                name
            }
        }
    }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 7}
    expectedTouchNodes = 8

    stmt := Execute("Movies", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestMovieEq -v
```

```
Duration: Parse 85.993172ms Execute: 17.19818ms
monitor: []interface {}{1, 1, 8, []int{1, 7}, 8, []int{1, 7}, 1, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0003364c0),
interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      title: "Poison",
      film.genre: [
        {
          name: "Satire",
        },
        {
          name: "LGBT",
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
}
```



```

        {
            name: "Indie film",
        },
        {
            name: "Science Fiction",
        },
        {
            name: "Drama",
        },
        {
            name: "Experimental film",
        },
        {
            name: "Horror",
        }
    ]
}
}
}

```

Log Output

```

DB:2021/04/01 04:31:04 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434237 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434267 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434281 Startup...
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434330 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434344 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434354 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.434971 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.504133 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
    CapacityUnits: 0.5,
    TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 69.074044ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.504277 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.508164 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
    CapacityUnits: 0.5,
    TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 5 Duration: 3.832432ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.512256 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
    CapacityUnits: 0.5,
    TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 16 Duration: 3.508138ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.521130 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
    CapacityUnits: 0.5,
    TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 1 Duration: 6.969338ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.521205 node: sHow3PRSQUuYvKC+FwcAHg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.526427 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
    CapacityUnits: 1,
    TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 5.165045ms
gql: 2021/04/01 04:31:04.526621 Duration: Parse 79.214802ms Execute: 12.498567ms
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:31:06.527012 monitor: []interface {}{1, 1, 8, []int{1, 7}, 8, []int{1, 7}, 1,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0004e73e0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:1, CapacityUnits:1,
Items:15, Duration:5165045}
DB: 2021/04/01 04:31:06.535189 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
    CapacityUnits: 2,
    TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 7.902135ms

```

Test 10: AnyOfTerms Function used in Edge Predicate Filter

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Movies
Nodes Queried	31 (27 filtered out)
Nodes at each depth	{1, 30}
DB Requests	1 Root request 1 Node requests
Reduction in DB requests *	96.7%
Query Elapsed Time	15.9 ms
DB Request time for 1 node	8 ms
Average Node query time for 31 nodes	0.26 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

Comment

Function *AnyOfTerms* is implemented in GoGraph not *Dynamodb*. In this example, all film titles are checked for the words “War” or “Minority”.

The test is also another example of the power of duplicating child scale data in its parent node. In this example 1 node is fetched from the database but embedded in the response is the scalar data of 30 child nodes, reducing database calls query calls by 96.7%.

Test Function

Query: show all films by Steven Spielberg with “War” or “Minority” in the title

```
func TestMovie1b(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
    me(func: eq(name, "Steven Spielberg")) @filter(has(director.film)) {
      name
      director.film @filter(anyofterms(title,"War Minority") {
        title
      })
    }
  }`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 3}
    expectedTouchNodes = 4

    stmt := Execute("Movies", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

\$ go test -run=TestMovie1b -v

Duration: Parse 90.957263ms Execute: 15.889374ms

monitor: [interface {}{1, 1, 31, []int{1, 30}, 4, []int{1, 3}, 1, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc000205d40), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}]

```
{
  data: [
    {
      name: "Steven Spielberg",
      director.film: [
        {
          title: "War of the Worlds",
```

```

    },
    {
      title: "Minority Report",
    },
    {
      title: "War Horse",
    },
  ]
}
}
}

```

Log Output

```

DB:2021/04/01 04:49:42 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748304 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748337 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748356 Startup...
grmgr: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748400 Powering on...
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748412 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.748427 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.749136 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.819382 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 70.151441ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.819441 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.824586 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 5 Duration: 5.097431ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.829502 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 16 Duration: 4.754526ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.847841 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {  <= index read for root query
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,                                                         <= <4KB read (eventual consistency)
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}, ItemCount 1 Duration: 7.73318ms                                           <= 1 item fetched
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.847917 node: Yw9EZVUiS6K4yCd+41frbQ== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.855442 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {      <= node query
  CapacityUnits: 1,                                                         <= <8KB read (eventual consistency)
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}, ItemCount 13 Duration: 7.481137ms                                         <= 13 items fetched
gql: 2021/04/01 04:49:42.856061 Duration: Parse 90.957263ms Execute: 15.889374ms
monitor: 2021/04/01 04:49:44.856554 monitor: []interface {}{1, 1, 31, []int{1, 30}, 4, []int{1, 3}, 1,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc000205d40), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:1, CapacityUnits:1,
Items:13, Duration:7481137}
DB: 2021/04/01 04:49:44.867515 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 10.792321ms

```

Test 11: Propagating Child Scalar Data to Parent

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Movies
Nodes Queried	90
Nodes at each depth	{ 6, 84 }
Reduction in DB requests *	93%
Database requests	1 Root request 6 Node requests
Query Elapsed Time	64.6 ms
Average Node request time for 6 nodes	7.9 ms
Average Node request time for 90 nodes	0.55 ms

* as a result of propagating a child node's scalar data to the parent node

Comment

This test demonstrates the power of duplicating data (propagating scalar data from child node to parent node). Retrieve 6 nodes from *Dynamodb* and 84 child nodes will be included in the result because of data duplication in the parent nodes. So, query 6 and get 90 nodes back which represents a 93% reduction in database requests.

Test Function

Query: show the directors name and genre names of any Movie with 13 genre associated with it.

```
func TestMovie1e(t *testing.T) {
```

```
    input := `{
  me(func: eq(count(film.genre), 13)) {
    title
    film.director {
      name
    }
    film.genre {
      name
    }
  }
}`
```

```
    expectedTouchLvl = []int{6, 84}
    expectedTouchNodes = 90
```

```
    stmt := Execute("Movies", input)
    t.Log(stmt.String())
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())
```

```
    validate(t, result)
```

```
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestMovie1e -v
```

```
Duration: Parse 80.3016ms Execute: 64.568085ms
```

```
monitor: []interface {}{6, 6, 90, []int{6, 84}, 90, []int{6, 84}, 6, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00025a000), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
```

```
{
  data: [
    {
      title : "South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut",
      film.director : [
        {
          name: "Trey Parker",
```

```

    }
    film.genre : [
      {
        name: "War film",
      },
      {
        name: "Black comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Musical comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Animation",
      },
      {
        name: "Animated Musical",
      },
      {
        name: "Parody",
      },
      {
        name: "Gross out",
      },
      {
        name: "Satire",
      },
      {
        name: "Absurdism",
      },
      {
        name: "Comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Political cinema",
      },
      {
        name: "Political satire",
      },
      {
        name: "Backstage Musical",
      }
    ]
  },
  {
    title : "Stay Tuned",
    film.director : [
      {
        name: "Chuck Jones",
      }
    ],
    film.genre : [
      {
        name: "Black comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Parody",
      },
      {
        name: "Musical comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Satire",
      },
      {
        name: "Horror comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Fantasy",
      },
      {
        name: "Family",
      },
      {
        name: "Adventure Film",
      },
      {
        name: "Science Fiction",
      },
      {
        name: "Horror",
      },
      {
        name: "Thriller",
      },
      {
        name: "Comedy",
      },
      {
        name: "Backstage Musical",
      }
    ]
  },
  {
    title : "Even Cowgirls Get the Blues",
    film.director : [
      {
        name: "Gus Van Sant",
      }
    ],
    film.genre : [
      {
        name: "Feminist Film",
      },
      {
        name: "Romantic comedy",
      },
    ]
  }

```

```

{
  name: "Comedy Western",
},
{
  name: "Absurdism",
},
{
  name: "Comedy-drama",
},
{
  name: "Fantasy",
},
. . . .

```

Log Output

```

DB:2021/04/01 05:22:33 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463289 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463310 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463320 Startup...
monitor: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463359 Powering on...
monitor: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463362 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463389 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.463571 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.532893 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 69.197451ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.532958 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.536267 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 5 Duration: 3.272282ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.542444 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 16 Duration: 6.056022ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.558967 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 6 Duration: 15.073845ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.559058 node: S40/D0LkRWuqjvPnr\lFNWw== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.565499 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 6.394954ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.565718 node: u5vWespTQSigEJqIBwBUFA== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.575954 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 3,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 10.197994ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.576371 node: 98wbbFQmTcqXUzx0wv0Vzg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.588027 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 3,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 11.60112ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.588310 node: djTkRRQUS5Gfuz0vdSLxFQ== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.593769 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 5.415528ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.594029 node: MB70yljLTj0sh+tfQIx0NQ== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.598939 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 4.868996ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.599091 node: axtdNL3WT3mshCK8EUAXzg== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.608154 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
}. ItemCount 15 Duration: 9.028703ms
gql: 2021/04/01 05:22:33.608421 Duration: Parse 80.3016ms Execute: 64.568085ms
monitor: 2021/04/01 05:22:35.611330 monitor: []interface {}{6, 6, 90, []int{6, 84}, 90, []int{6, 84}, 6,
(*monitor.Fetch)(0xc00025a000), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)} monitor.Fetch{Fetches:6, CapacityUnits:12,
Items:90, Duration:47507295}
DB: 2021/04/01 05:22:35.619636 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 5,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}. Duration: 8.156251ms

```

Test 12: Propagate scalar data to grandparent for 1:1 relationship

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Movies
Nodes Touched	1166
Nodes at each depth	{ 1, 15, 15, 391, 744 }
Database requests	1 Root request 14 Node requests
Reduction in DB requests *	99.1%
Query Elapsed Time	122 ms
Average DB Request time	6.6 ms
Average Node Request time	0.10 ms
Read Capacity Units	23

* as a result of propagating scalar data from child to grandparent node

**

Comment

Examine the GraphQL query below and you will see the resulting graph output will have a depth of 5. The three paths in the output graph are shown below:

Depth 4: person->performance->film->director(name)

Depth 5: person->performance->film->performance->person(name)

Depth 5: person->performance->film->performance->character(name)

The following edges, *performance->film*, *performance->actor* and *performance->character* all have a 1:1 relationship (see type definition for Movie). For a 1:1 relationship GoGraph can propagate the child scale data all the way up to the grandparent node which in this case would be *film*. This means the execution algorithm does not need to follow the path from *film* nodes to its leaf nodes as all the intervening data has been duplicated in the *film* node. This will naturally benefit the response time as 391+744+14 nodes have had their scalar data duplicated into 14 film nodes and do not need to be queried. The result is that all 1166 nodes can be queried in around 122ms because 99.1% of nodes do not need to be queried from the database.

To help quantify the advantage of propagating to the grandparent in the case of 1:1 relationships, the next example performs the same query but has disabled child to grandparent propagation for 1:1 and instead implements the normal child to parent node propagation. In this case the query response took 1.61s which is over **13 times slower**. The other significant factor is a huge reduction in consumed *Dynamodb* read-capacity-units, 23 compared to 359 (see monitor output at end of log output in bold red), that is a **93.6% reduction in AWS costs**, when child-grandparent propagation is enabled for 1:1 relationships.

Test Function

Query: Find all the films Peter Sellers performed in along with the director's name and list all the actors and their character they played in each film

```
func TestMoviePS3a(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
  me(func: eq(name,"Peter Sellers")) {
    name
    actor.performance {
      performance.film {
        title
        film.director {
          name
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
    film.performance {
      performance.actor {
        name
      }
      performance.character {
        name
      }
    }
  }
}
}
}

expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}
expectedTouchNodes = 1166

stmt := Execute("Movies", input)
result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
t.Log(stmt.String())

validate(t, result)

}

```

\$ go test -run=TestMoviePS3a -v

```

{
  data: [
    {
      name: "Peter Sellers",
      actor.performance: [
        {
          performance.film: [
            {
              title: "Where Does It Hurt?",
              film.director: [
                {
                  name: "Rod Amateau",
                },
              ],
              film.performance: [
                {
                  performance.actor: [
                    {
                      name: "Harold Gould",
                    },
                  ],
                  performance.character: [
                    {
                      name: "Dr. Zerny",
                    },
                  ],
                },
                {
                  performance.actor: [
                    {
                      name: "Rick Lenz",
                    },
                  ],
                  performance.character: [
                    {
                      name: "Lester Hammond",
                    },
                  ],
                },
                {
                  performance.actor: [
                    {
                      name: "Keith Allison",
                    },
                  ],
                  performance.character: [
                    {
                      name: "Hinkley",
                    },
                  ],
                },
                {
                  performance.actor: [
                    {
                      name: "Hope Summers",
                    },
                  ],
                  performance.character: [
                    {
                      name: "Nurse Throttle",
                    },
                  ],
                },
                {
                  performance.actor: [
                    {
                      name: "Jo Ann Pflug",
                    },
                  ],
                  performance.character: [
                    {
                      name: "Alice Gilligan",
                    },
                  ],
                },
              ],
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
}

```



```

    ],
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Paul Lambert",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Dr. Pinikhes",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Peter Sellers",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Dr. Albert T. Hopfnagel",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Pat Morita",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Nishimoto",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Eve Bruce",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Lamarr",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Norman Alden",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Katzen",
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
},
{
  performance.film : [
    {
      title: "Revenge of the Pink Panther",
      film.director : [
        {
          name: "Blake Edwards",
        },
      ],
      film.performance : [
        {
          performance.actor : [
            {
              name: "Keen Jing",
            },
          ],
          performance.character : [
            {
              name: "Assistant Manager",
            },
          ],
        },
        {
          performance.actor : [
            {
              name: "Tony Beckley",
            },
          ],
          performance.character : [
            {
              name: "Guy Algo",
            },
          ],
        },
      ],
    },
    . . . . .
  ],
},
{

```

```

performance.film : [
  {
    title: "Never Let Go",
    film.director : [
      {
        name: "John Guillermin",
      },
    ],
  },
  film.performance : [
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Noel Willman",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Inspector Thomas",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "John Bailey",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Mckinnon",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Mignon O'Doherty",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Manageress",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Charles Houston",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Cyril Spink",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Mervyn Johns",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Alfie Barnes",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Adam Faith",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Tommy Towers",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Nigel Stock",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Regan",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Elizabeth Sellars",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Anne Cummings",
        },
      ],
    },
  ]
]

```

```

    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "John Le Mesurier",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Pennington",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Peter Jones",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Alec Berger",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Cyril Shaps",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Cypriot",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "David Lodge",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Cliff",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Richard Todd",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "John Cummings",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Peter Sellers",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Lionel Meadows",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "Carol White",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Jackie",
        },
      ],
    },
    {
      performance.actor : [
        {
          name: "John Dunbar",
        },
      ],
      performance.character : [
        {
          name: "Station Sergeant",
        },
      ],
    },
  ],
},
]
}
]

```

}

Log Output

```

DB:2021/04/01 22:00:47 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490432 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490461 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490475 Startup...
grmgr: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490578 Powering on...
monitor: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490593 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.490606 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.491164 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.562158 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 70.870534ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.562230 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.565497 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 5 Duration: 3.229603ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.569504 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 16 Duration: 3.877985ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.587483 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 1 Duration: 7.043006ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.587556 node: eneJBCenT1qrdnv4X//RLw== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.595070 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 11 Duration: 6.982168ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.595294 node: FZB1ld6RSuGcDFlf4khLZQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.602002 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.357901ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.602358 node: k/4DFiGiQL21KIN++n5ApQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.612529 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 4,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 10.119915ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.616133 node: ymanEWwqSFSml9xvZK9tsA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.623994 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}                                     <= less than 8KB read
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 7.79995ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.624582 node: 4+rG5lQbQKuoSF0sMLeQhQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.630979 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}                                     <= less than 4KB read
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.353675ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.631389 node: Nid9drj0Q/eCEHzR3aT1Yg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.638431 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}                                     <= 12 items read in 6.35 ms
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.993284ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.643496 node: 52APy4uhSpCp8DhmNt8jaA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.652697 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 9.147216ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.656289 node: yDbavHDSgmDjvUaBGasCA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.663093 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.721617ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.665111 node: ERxPeI++RN01JXUksF0flQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.669605 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 4.441593ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.670316 node: VUgeuT2YQbataNKyUzww== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.677663 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 7.291921ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.678734 node: eZTcsNshQ7+/mBTKi7RH/w== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.685135 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}. ItemCount 12 Duration: 6.353274ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.685742 node: uzlXBfnlSuWrhpE/ynkC5Q== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.691773 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 2,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D2"
}

```

```
} . ItemCount 12 Duration: 5.981037ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.692367 node: ocpPHhtCTZ2AMy/XBPe1tw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.696371 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
} . ItemCount 12 Duration: 3.961547ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.696814 node: CS65MuW+Rgqc0nqKwbWlfw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.701538 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD2"
} . ItemCount 12 Duration: 4.686253ms
gql: 2021/04/01 22:00:47.702873 Duration: Parse 89.276114ms Execute: 122.473852ms
monitor: 2021/04/01 22:00:50.372524 monitor: []interface {}{1, 1, 1166, []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}, 1166, []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}, 14, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0004cc400), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
monitor.Fetch{Fetches:14, CapacityUnits:23, Items:167, Duration:93191351}
DB: 2021/04/01 22:00:50.403159 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 102,
  TableName: "TestLog"
} . Duration: 30.456313m
```

Test 13: Disabled child-to-grandparent propagation for 1:1 relationship.

Query Metrics

Metric	Value
Graph	Movies
Nodes Queried	1166
Nodes at each depth	{ 1, 15, 15, 391, 744 }
Database requests	1 Root request 359 Node requests
Reduction in DB requests *	65%
Query Elapsed Time	1.61 s
Average DB Request time	4.48 ms
Average Node Request time	1.38 ms
Read Capacity Units	359

* as a result of propagating scalar data from child to parent node

Comment

This example is used to quantify the performance advantage of child to grandparent propagation for 1:1 edge relationships when it is disabled and normal child to parent propagation is in effect. The previous test showed that when enabled the query response was 122ms compared with 1.61s in this test. Please review the previous test results on page 54.

Test Function

Query: Find all the films Peter Sellers performed in along with the director's name and list all the actors and the character they played in each film

```
func TestMoviePS3a(t *testing.T) {
    input := `{
  me(func: eq(name,"Peter Sellers")) {
    name
    actor.performance {
      performance.film {
        title
        film.director {
          name
        }
        film.performance {
          performance.actor {
            name
          }
          performance.character {
            name
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}`

    expectedTouchLvl = []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}
    expectedTouchNodes = 1166

    stmt := Execute("Movies", input)
    result := stmt.MarshalJSON()
    t.Log(stmt.String())

    validate(t, result)
}
```

```
$ go test -run=TestMoviePS3a -v
```

```
gql: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.368051 Duration: Parse 83.421952ms Execute: 1.610042469s
```

See JSON output in previous test

Log Output

```
DB:2021/04/05 22:31:45 log.go:89: ===== SetLogger
gqlES: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.673948 Client: 7.9.0
gqlES: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.673977 Server: 7.8.1
gql: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.673991 Startup...
monitor: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.674035 Powering on...
grmgr: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.674049 Powering on...
gql: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.674060 services started
TypesDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.674650 db.getGraphId
TypesDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.743634 getGraphId: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 1 Duration: 68.891098ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.743693 db.loadTypeShortNames
TypesDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.747590 loadTypeShortNames: consumed capacity for Query: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 5 Duration: 3.836628ms
TypesDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.752694 LoadDataDictionary: consumed capacity for Scan: {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "GoGraphSS"
}, Item Count: 15 Duration: 4.603517ms
gqlDB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.766675 GSIS:consumed capacity for Query index P_S, {
  CapacityUnits: 0.5,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 1 Duration: 8.619904ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.766771 node: eneJBCenT1qrdnv4X//RLw== subKey: A#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.772582 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query { <= Node Query
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 4 Duration: 5.761901ms <= 4 items fetched in 5.76 ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.772930 node: BnzFhcj1TheM1+qX3qUlrw== subKey: A#G# <= Propagated data only
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.779757 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 6.777053ms <= 7 propagated items fetched in 6.77 ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.779891 node: FZBl1d6RSuGcDFlf4khLZQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.785687 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 5 Duration: 5.749351ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.785795 node: imUjsX0TQza3kZAEqn88g== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.792246 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 6.411359ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.792382 node: BhP8DItdQR0Qp8euYg7eMw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.796782 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.351894ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.796910 node: 76k8rK8WR2qiKxaKaXARg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.801587 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.60524ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.801772 node: Pdnun4yURwabuYON0emKCw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.806297 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.45094ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.806520 node: 9VF0b6nIRsab6lRmgz5DEA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.811010 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.438765ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.811269 node: fQ04rnM9TjmLVu+KUUrrow== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.815853 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.531328ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.815994 node: BnzFhcj1TheM1+qX3qUlrw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.819420 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.380928ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.819565 node: dEXNfXIqQqCYjGAtbjYF/Q== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.824946 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
```

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    TableName: "DyGraph0D"
  }. ItemCount 7 Duration: 5.332675ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.825196 node: DPVhzClfReGftE5z/mY6Sw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.831113 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 5.861799ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.831419 node: owlXqxNITf6PeDwNkmAi2A== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.837304 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 5.811945ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.837519 node: YW0EQhLoRlKWwTHARTqejQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.842090 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.49117ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.842227 node: k/4DFiGiQl21KIN++n5ApQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.847458 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 5 Duration: 5.175955ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.847655 node: q4ud/3P0QBivuGKeVuvEXA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.851123 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.420601ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.851248 node: LTGTzyBBSKin2KUPCGTRPQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.855850 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.558105ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.855984 node: e83avEkoQFiZo1fWVKUqTA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.860046 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.011843ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.860489 node: Aj0BJ9xlRRyDrBzRyMy+Xg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.864930 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.394858ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.865036 node: 66sNzWLqQaCJkw029mlqRQ== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.870679 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 5.600753ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.870784 node: BXfnHue0T/6UVY3DeBDMHA== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.874238 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.407276ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.874483 node: 00iknU6VQfqAxqkUz+Y3vw== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.877697 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.162906ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.877824 node: Ul+IxXnHTsavwUKRH9PEvg== subKey: A#G#
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.536243ms
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DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:45.886219 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
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  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.63708ms
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  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.919437ms
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  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.329915ms
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  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.303241ms
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  TableName: "DyGraph0D"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.431739ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:46.192623 node: 0l3jc2RfRUaIEHX85bmGpQ== subKey: A#G#

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DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:46.196830 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.16039ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.358192ms
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.449152ms
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.116352ms
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.866351ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.447009ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.408951ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.58917ms
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.735487ms
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DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.338794 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.976725ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.766058ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.342952 node: SjqmkLYPQseA64rf51EuNA== subKey: A#G#
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.286883ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 4.491374ms
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DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.354917 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
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  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.757904ms
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  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.55996ms
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DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.363957 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 5.041792ms
DB FetchNode: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.364091 node: JbRGsVEIR/u+ogbgSTx7Zg== subKey: A#G#
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.367937 FetchNode:consumed capacity for Query {
  CapacityUnits: 1,
  TableName: "DyGraphOD"
}. ItemCount 7 Duration: 3.7967ms
gql: 2021/04/05 22:31:47.368051 Duration: Parse 83.421952ms Execute: 1.610042469s
monitor: 2021/04/05 22:31:49.373512 monitor: []interface {}{1, 1, 1166, []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}, 1166, []int{1, 15, 15, 391, 744}, 359, (*monitor.Fetch)(0xc0002faba0), interface {}(nil), interface {}(nil)}
monitor.Fetch{Fetches:359, CapacityUnits:359, Items:2484, Duration:1507493914}
DB: 2021/04/05 22:31:49.444505 TestLog: consumed capacity for PutItem {
  CapacityUnits: 68,
  TableName: "TestLog"
}

```


Appendix A : CSP Programming in Go

To write a CSP (Communicating Sequential Process's) program in Go you need to be aware of these key concepts:

goroutines

Goroutines are normal functions that are made to run asynchronously to the calling routine be it the main program (aka the *main goroutine*) or another *goroutine*, by prefixing its instantiation with the “go” keyword. For example, to run function *foo(bar)* or a function literal, synchronously and asynchronously with the main routine:

```
func main() {
    var x int
    var y string
    Var. c bool = true
    ...
    // call foo synchronously

    foo(bar)
    ...
    // call foo asynchronously

    go foo(bar)

    // call a function literal asynchronously

    go func() {...}()

    // pass in arguments to a goroutine

    go func(a int, b string) {...}(x, y )
```

The first instantiation of *foo* will run serially with the main program, whereas the second instantiation, prefixed with “go”, will run *foo* asynchronously with the main program. Both *foo* instantiations will have access to *boolean c* as they are closures (all Go functions are closures), however as *c* is a shared variable and if either *main* or *foo* modifies *c*, extra precautions will need to be made describe in the “shared variables” section below.

While *goroutines* provide a computing component they are useless unless they can communicate their output to other computing components. Channels are the mechanism *goroutines* use go pass data and synchronise events between other *goroutines*. Channels are the subject of the next section.

channels

While *goroutines* represent the SP (sequential processes) in CSP, channels represent the mechanism for the C (communicating). Channels are the way we link producers of data (SP) to consumers of the data. The producer writes some data onto the channel and the consumer reads that data from the channel using the syntax that is describe below. Channels are also used to synchronise events between produces and consumers. How do they do that? The write to a channel will always block if no consumer is listening on the channel. Similarly the consumer will always block when listening on the channel if no producer has written to the channel. Consequently when a producer writes to a channel without blocking we know that the produce and consumer are synchronised at that point in the code. Channels can also be defined with a buffer of any size, which will delay the synchronisation behaviour until the buffer has been filled.

To give you a feel for the elegant syntax that is Go channels, the following examples provide a basic overview, however there is more to Channels than presented here.

To define a channel called *myChan* that can accept integer data, declare the following:

```
var myChan int 5

// must make a channel before using it.
// second argument is the channel buffer value, yes a channel can b a queue
```

```
myChan = make(chan int, 0)
```

Channels can pass almost any data, *scalar* values, *slices*, *arrays*, *structs*, *pointers*, *channel* values, *function* values.

To write and read to a channel we use the symbol “<-” placed on the right or left of the channel variable respectively.

Lets write the value 5 to the channel:

```
a:=5

myChan <- a    // goroutine will wait here until the receiving goroutine reads from the channel
               // alternatively, writing to the channel will unblock a waiting reading goroutine
```

Another *goroutine* can read from the channel using either of the following syntax:

```
for b := range myChan {...}    // often used in pipelined goroutines
```

or

```
b := <- myChan                // common way to synchronise and pass data
```

or

```
<- myChan                    // ignore data and synchronise goroutines instead
```

The `myChan` value, for the reading *goroutine*, might be passed in as an argument or passed via a channel.

Traditional system programming languages like *C* and *Java* use shared memory, provided by the OS, to facilitate data sharing and communication between concurrent programs. *Go* on the other hand, uses channels to pass data and synchronisation events between *goroutines*. This leads to one of *Go*’s principal mantra’s that I should mention at this point “*don’t communicate by sharing memory, share memory by communicating*”.

Don’t be afraid to be generous with the use of channels. Channels are light weight components. Many applications require each instance of data in an array or slices to have its own channel for example.

shared variables

goroutines, like all *Go* functions, are closures.

Variables created within a function are necessarily private to the function, variables declared outside the function represent *shared data* that can be accessed by other concurrent *goroutines* that have the same data scope. If the shared data is only ever read by the concurrent *goroutines* there will be no concurrency issues that can cause data corruption. However, if the shared data is modified by one or more concurrent *goroutine* special precautions need to be made, as concurrent read and update operations on the same data can lead to data corruption. If such precautions have been made the associated package that instantiates the concurrent *goroutines* is said to be *concurrency safe*.

Go provides two approaches to achieving *concurrency safe* programs.

One approach uses the *sync package API* (e.g. `Lock()` & `Unlock()`) to synchronise access to shared data provided all functions that access the data use the API.

Another approach encloses the shared data in its own *gofunction*. Any function requiring access to the data (both read or update) is forced to use a public accessibly channel to do so. In this way channels are used to serialise access.

To validate your *goroutines* are **concurrency safe** add the `-race` option when testing your code, e.g:

```
go test -run=parallelLoad -race -v
```

This will fail the test if an unsafe operation occurs on any shared data at runtime along with detailed diagnostic output. The `-race` option is not foolproof, however, as it will only fail a test if an actual race condition occurs, and by definition race conditions don’t always occur. Consequently you need to run your tests multiple times if there is a chance it may experience a race condition, and even then unsafe code may not be caught during testing.

If you don’t specify the `-race` option *Go* will PASS a test even if a race condition occurred. There’s an overhead to using the option so only use it when your using concurrent routines that perform update and reads on the some shared data.s

Sync Package

I refer you to the WaitGroup type in the Go package documentation: <https://golang.org/pkg/sync>

Appendix B - How AWS Charges for Dynamodb?

For the best description of what factors affect the costs of using Dynamodb I cannot do better than the AWS documentation.

Read Consistency

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amazondynamodb/latest/developerguide/HowItWorks.ReadConsistency.html>

Read Write Capacity Units

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amazondynamodb/latest/developerguide/HowItWorks.ReadWriteCapacityMode.html>

Appendix C - Scalability and shared resources

Following on the from discussion on SQL vs NoSQL,

Any in-memory resource, be it a cache of any sort, a list structure of any sort, or just a single variable, that is accessible by two or more concurrent processors, must be protected against one process mutating the resource while another process reads it. Why does it need to be protected? Because a reading process is likely to get corrupted data while the resource is being mutated. To prevent the potential for corrupted reads all access to a shared resource must be serialised.

To serialise access to a shared resource there is an in-memory object called a **mutex** which acts as a kind of gatekeeper to the resource. Any process requesting to read or update a shared resource must first make a request to the mutex for access. The mutex will either grant access or block the requestor forcing it to wait (measured in microseconds) before it can try again, and therein lies a potential scalability issue. Increase the frequency of the requests and the waits on the requesting processes will increase.

So any **shared** resource that can be mutated has the potential to be a scalability issue. The factors that determine the potential are:

- * how often is the resource accessed in the code
- * is the access required in all, or often executed, code paths?
- * the number of concurrent processors requesting access
- * the frequency of that access from the database session

So to highlight this issue with a real world Oracle database scenario I will refer you to a Telco Billing product I was associated with many years ago. It was entirely written in Oracle's PL/SQL and at the time ran in a single Oracle instance on small to large SMP servers with 4 or more CPUs. The Rating Engines (RE) component would process hundreds of millions of Call Data Records (CDRs) a day and the server would usually be allocated a RE per CPU. However, as the number of REs increased beyond 4 there would be a measurable degradation in CDR throughput per RE. For the larger servers with up to 30 cpus, the degradation would continue to the point where adding an RE would make no difference to the overall CDR throughput.

Enter, Oracle's comprehensive and exquisitely detailed instrumentation of the database and the STATSPACK utility that aggregates this data by discrete time intervals (aka snapshots) and allows the user to generate a very detailed "stats report" between any two snapshots. One of the top level reports listed the top five "event waits" in database experienced for that interval. In a properly running database all the top five "events" would be related to some type of physical IO event, such as a "log sync", "sequential read", "scattered read" etc. However, when the REs were running one of the top five events was related to a mutex wait on the library cache. The "library cache" is a shared resource that maintains the parsed information of each SQL statement. So it was a surprise to see a mutex wait in the top five and even more of a surprise to find it consumed 24% of the overall event waits in the database. Why?

The problem was the REs. Each RE issued about 20 to 30 different SQL statements to the database on a continual basis. Each Oracle background process associated with an RE, would first generate a hash on the SQL statement and check if it existed in the library cache. So in answer to the four factors listed above to determine the potential for a scalability issue it it rates very high to extreme

- * how often is the resource accessed in the code. **For every SQL statement issued to database.**
- * is the access required in all, or often executed, code paths? **All**
- * the number of concurrent processors requesting access. **Same as number of REs (CPUs)**
- * the frequency of that access from the database session. **Extremely high - CPU speed**

The most significant of these is the last factor. REs generate SQL calls at CPU speed rather than the usual OLTP speeds of human operators. Consequently the pressure on the library cache mutex is extremely high to the point that each concurrent Oracle process is waiting hundreds of milliseconds to access the library cache rather than the usual tens to hundreds of microseconds of an OLTP application. As a result of these

mutex waits the REs where effectively throttled by 24% and the waits would only increase as more REs were added.

How did we resolve this disastrous scalability issue. There were two solutions. Either make the RE architecture distributed so there would be multiple Oracle instances with 2 to 4 REs per instance. This put less pressure on the mutex in each instance. The second solution relied upon the fact that the RE data was static when the REs was running. Updates to the data would only occur when the REs were shutdown. So instead of relying upon the Oracle data cache, each RE would load the static data (across perhaps 25 tables) into local memory (a PL/SQL table for each physical table) during startup. The downside of this solution was it took a long time to load some PL/SQL tables which seriously impacted startup times and PL/SQL tables are very very memory hungry. The final solutions was a merging of both. Make RE a distributed database application using commodity based servers and for heavily accessed tables cache them in application memory. Scalability issue resolved and performance was outstanding.