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High Performance MySQL



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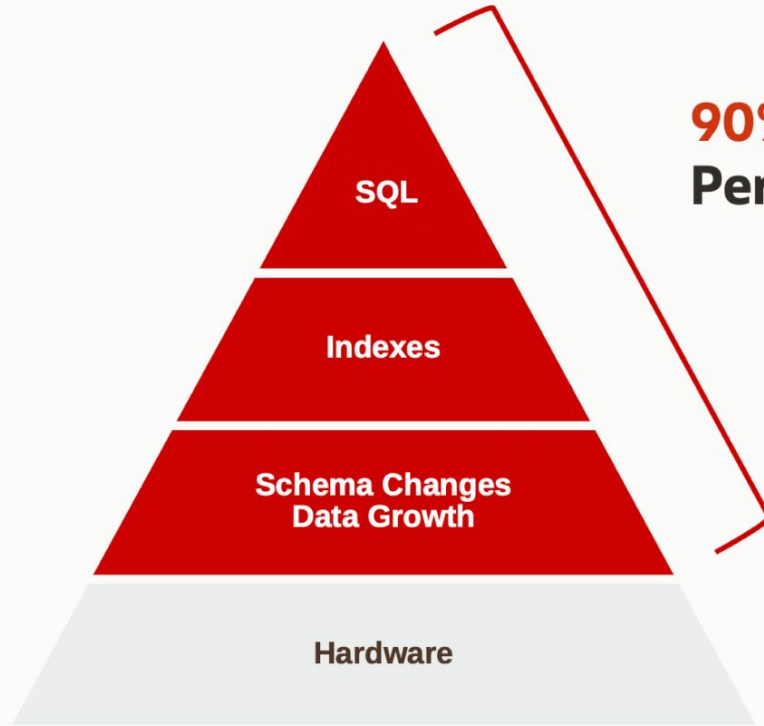
**Slow Query
Response**

**Too Many
Connections**

**100% CPU
Usage!**

**Low Disk
Space**

**Database
Non-Responsive**



**90% of
Performance Problems**

Plan of Attack!



Configuration Tuning

Schema Optimization

Query Performance

Monitoring

Before you start...

- **Monitor** your database performance
- Identify areas of **improvements**
- Make **small changes** at a time
- **Test** your changes before deploying to production



Monitoring

Data Collection

- Slow Query Logs
- Performance Schema
- Application Metrics

Digging Deep

- Manual query execution
- EXPLAIN & ANALYZE
- Network Usage

Tools

- MySQL Enterprise Monitor
- Percona Monitoring and Management (PMM)
- Releem



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All Targets



Refresh

Off

[Overview](#)

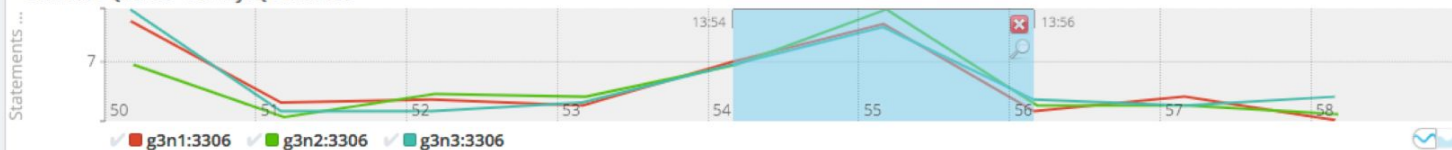
Query Analyzer

All Statements - clone - graph selection*

Configuration View

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Database Queries - Per MySQL Instance



Statements

Total: 32 Statement(s)



```
SELECT `history` . `*` , `threads` . `processlist_user` AS `user` , `threads` . `processlist_host` AS `hostFrom` FROM ( SELECT `...
```

Database: mysql

First Seen: Jan 24, 2019 11:04:09 pm

Latency

Total: 17s 910ms

Execution Counts Total: 6

Rows Total: 245



SHOW GLOBAL VARIABLES

Database: mysql

First Seen: Jan 24, 2019 11:04:08 pm

Latency

Total: 428ms

Execution Counts Total: 20

Rows Total: 10,780



SHOW GLOBAL VARIABLES LIKE ?

Database: mysql

First Seen: Jan 24, 2019 11:04:08 pm

Latency

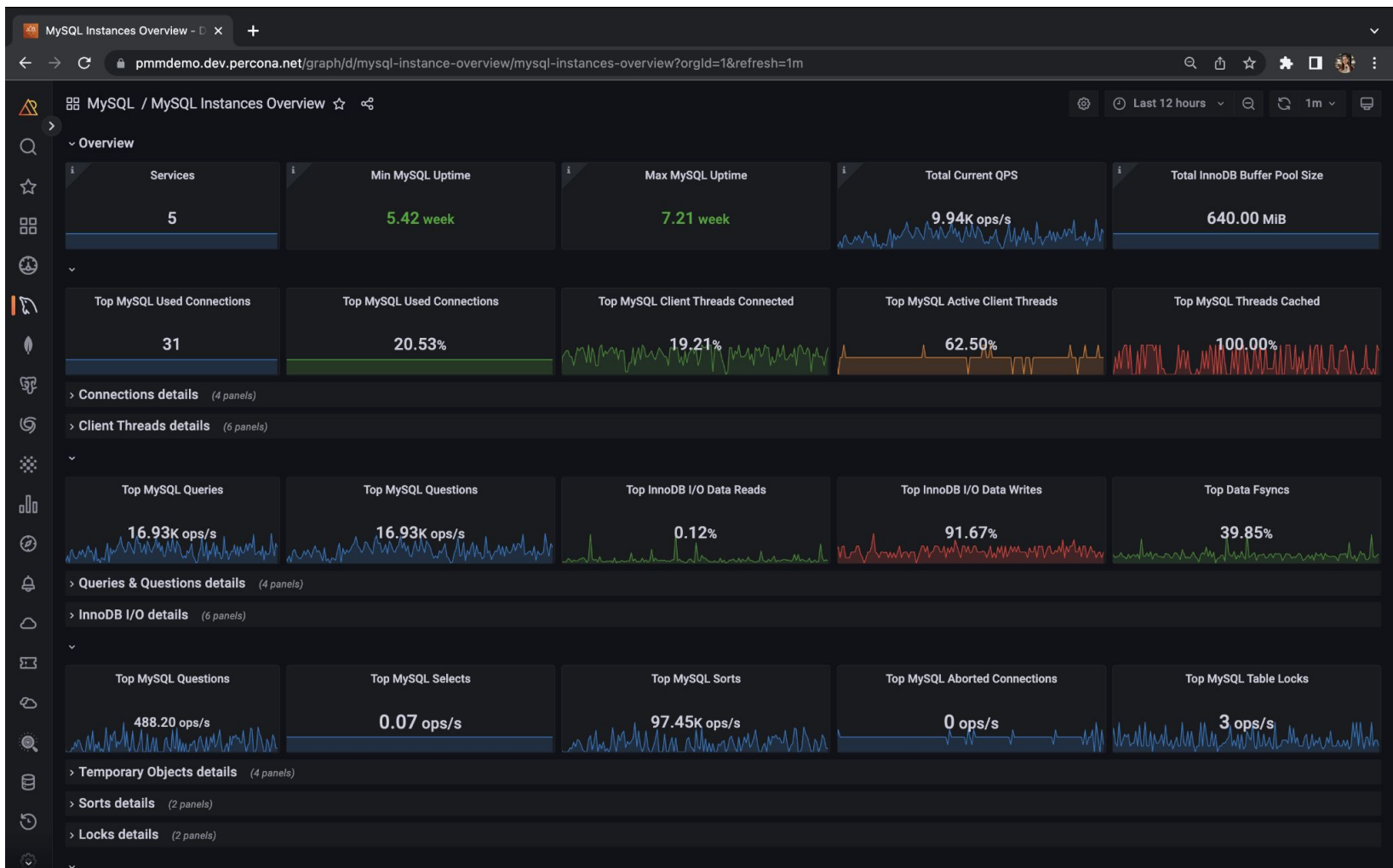
Total: 372ms

Execution Counts Total: 14

Rows Total: 70



SET `autocommit` = ?



Releem Score



● Best ● Average ● Poor

IP Address
192.168.1.54

OS version
Debian

Version
MySQL 5.7

Instance type
AWS RDS

Memory Limit
2048 MB ⓘ

Agent Status
Monitoring

[About Releem Score](#) ⓘ

Recommended Configuration

[Settings](#)

Preparing configuration...

New config will be created in 5 days

All recommendations have been applied

[Configuration](#) ⓘ

[Apply](#)

System

Health status

✓ CPU Utilization	42%
✓ Disk Space Usage	74%
✓ Memory Utilization	75%
✓ Database Connection Usage	19%
✓ Open files Utilization	2%

MyISAM / InnoDB

Health status

✓ MyISAM Cache Hit Rate	100%
✓ MyISAM Key Write Ratio	100%
InnoDB Cache Hit Rate	15%
InnoDB Log File Size	93min
✓ InnoDB Dirty Pages Ratio	0%

Memory

Health status

✓ Database Connection Usage	39%
✓ Thread Cache Hit Rate	100%
✓ Thread Cache Ratio	100%
✓ Table Definition Cache Hit Rate	83%
✓ Table Locking Efficiency	100%

Queries / Logs

Health status

✓ Sort Merge Passes Ratio	0%
✓ Temporary Disk Data	94%
✓ Flushing Logs	0

System Metrics



CPU 4 cores
2%

RAM 8000 GB
4 GB

Swap 100 GB
12 GB

IOPS R/W
0.3/0.5

1D

[1W](#)

[1M](#)

MySQL Metrics

Latency, ms ⓘ

Week avg.: 10 ↓ -10% last week

Queries per Second ⓘ

Week avg.: 1212 ↓ -1% last week

Queries ⓘ

Week avg.: 250 ↑ +3% last week

7

6

5



Configuration Tuning

[mysqld]

GENERAL

```
datadir = /var/lib/mysql
socket  = /var/lib/mysql/mysql.sock
pid file = /var/lib/mysql/mysql.pid
user    = mysql
port    = 3306
```

INNODB

```
innodb_buffer_pool_size = <value>
innodb_file_per_table   = 1
innodb_flush_method     = O_DIRECT
```

LOGGING

```
log_error = /var/lib/mysql/mysql-error.log
log_slow_queries = /var/lib/mysql/mysql-slow.log
```

OTHER

```
tmp_table_size      = 32M
max_heap_table_size = 32M
max_connections     = <value>
thread_cache_size   = <value>
table_open_cache     = <value>
open_files_limit     = 65535
```

A sane, minimal configuration for
MySQL 8.0 to start with.

InnoDB Buffer Pool Size (innodb_buffer_pool_size)

- The single-most **important** configuration to tweak
- Memory area where InnoDB **caches** table and index data
- Optimal size:

Total host memory

(–) memory for OS & other processes

(–) memory required by MySQL other than the InnoDB buffer pool

Auto Configuration (innodb_dedicated_server)

- Only consider if MySQL is running on a **dedicated** server / VM
- Automatic configuration of many InnoDB configuration
- Override is still possible

Maximum Connections (max_connections)

- Maximum permitted number of simultaneous client connections
- Be careful setting this too large as each connection requires memory
- Affect the maximum number of files the server keeps open

(set the correct **ulimits** and **file descriptors** settings in Linux servers)

Schema Optimization

Minimize Space Usage

- Tables should be designed for **minimum** space usage
- Smaller tables require **less memory**
- Smaller indexes can be **processed faster**

Choose Optimal Data Types

- **Smaller** is usually better:

TINYINT vs *MEDIUMINT* vs *INT* vs *BIGINT*

- Pick the **native data type** for their intended purpose

Don't store dates as string, store them using built-in types

- **Avoid NULL** (if possible)

Nullable columns require more space and slows down processing

Primary Keys

- The primary key of a table should be **as short as possible**
- InnoDB duplicates primary key on **secondary indexes**, so it would affect storage space
- Ensure foreign key **matches exactly** with the referring the primary key type, collation and character set



Query Performance Optimization

Slow Query Log

-- Enable

```
SET GLOBAL slow_query_log = 'ON';
```

-- Keeping Slow query log in file or table

```
SET GLOBAL slow_query_log_file = '/tmp/slow_queries.log';
```

```
SET GLOBAL log_output = 'table';
```

-- Additional settings

```
SET GLOBAL log_queries_not_using_indexes = 'ON';
```

```
SET GLOBAL long_query_time = 5;
```

-- Disable

```
SET GLOBAL slow_query_log = 'OFF';
```

Slow Query Log

```
sudo mysqldumpslow /tmp/slow_queries.log
```

```
Reading mysql slow query log from /var/lib/mysql/mysql-slow.log
```

```
Count: 1  Time=2.43s (2s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=16.0 (16), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select year(e.hire_date), max(s.salary) from employees e join salaries s on e.emp_no=s.emp_no group by N
```

```
Count: 1  Time=2.03s (2s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=16.0 (16), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select year(e.hire_date), max(s.salary) from employees e join salaries s on e.emp_no=s.emp_no group by year(e.hire_date)
```

```
Count: 3  Time=0.71s (2s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=94709.0 (284127), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select * from salaries where salary >= N
```

```
Count: 3  Time=0.26s (0s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=95012.7 (285038), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select * from employees e join salaries s on e.emp_no=s.emp_no where year(e.hire_date) = N
```

```
Count: 2  Time=0.18s (0s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=24.0 (48), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select * from titles where title = 'S'
```

```
Count: 1  Time=0.14s (0s)  Lock=0.00s (0s)  Rows=6.0 (6), user1[user1]@localhost  
  select * from employees natural join salaries natural join titles where employees.last_name='S'
```

Use EXPLAIN

EXPLAIN

```
SELECT first_name, last_name, city, country
FROM customer
INNER JOIN address USING(address_id)
INNER JOIN city USING(city_id)
INNER JOIN country USING(country_id);
```

id	select_type	table	partition	type	possible_keys	key	key_len	ref	rows	filtered	Extra
1	SIMPLE	country		ALL	PRIMARY				109	100.00	
1	SIMPLE	city		ref	PRIMARY,idx_fk_country_id	idx_fk_country_id	2	sakila.country.country_id	5	100.00	
1	SIMPLE	address		ref	PRIMARY,idx_fk_city_id	idx_fk_city_id	2	sakila.city.city_id	1	100.00	Using index
1	SIMPLE	customer		ref	idx_fk_address_id	idx_fk_address_id	2	sakila.address.address_id	1	100.00	

Use EXPLAIN

Indexes from which MySQL could choose

The length of the index chosen by MySQL

Indexes MySQL actually used

The number of rows accessed by the query

id	select_type	table	partition	type	possible_keys	key	key_len	ref	rows	filtered	Extra
1	SIMPLE	country		ALL	PRIMARY				109	100.00	
1	SIMPLE	city		ref	PRIMARY,idx_fk_country_id	idx_fk_country_id	2	sakila.country.country_id	5	100.00	
1	SIMPLE	address		ref	PRIMARY,idx_fk_city_id	idx_fk_city_id	2	sakila.city.city_id	1	100.00	Using index
1	SIMPLE	customer		ref	idx_fk_address_id	idx_fk_address_id	2	sakila.address.address_id	1	100.00	

Retrieve Data Selectively

- Only retrieve the columns you need, instead of `SELECT *`
- Limit the number of rows (if possible)



`SELECT * FROM customer;`



`SELECT id, first_name, last_name FROM customer;`

Use proper INDEX

- Add indexes for columns used in **WHERE** clause
- Add indexes for columns used in **GROUP BY** clause
- Add indexes for columns used in **ORDER BY** clause
- Use composite indexes whenever possible
- Indexing has cost on **INSERT/UPDATE**, so don't add too many of them

Optimize JOINS

- Use `INNER JOIN` and `LEFT JOIN`
- Ensure the columns used in JOINS are indexed
- Use `EXPLAIN` to verify the right indexes are being used
- The order of joining matters, so start with the smallest result set

Miscellaneous

- Use **materialized views** for statistical data
- Use **replication/InnoDB Clusters** to split read/write operations
- Use fast enough **SSD or NVMe** disks
- Use the most optimal **storage engine** for the task
- Avoid **long-running** transactions

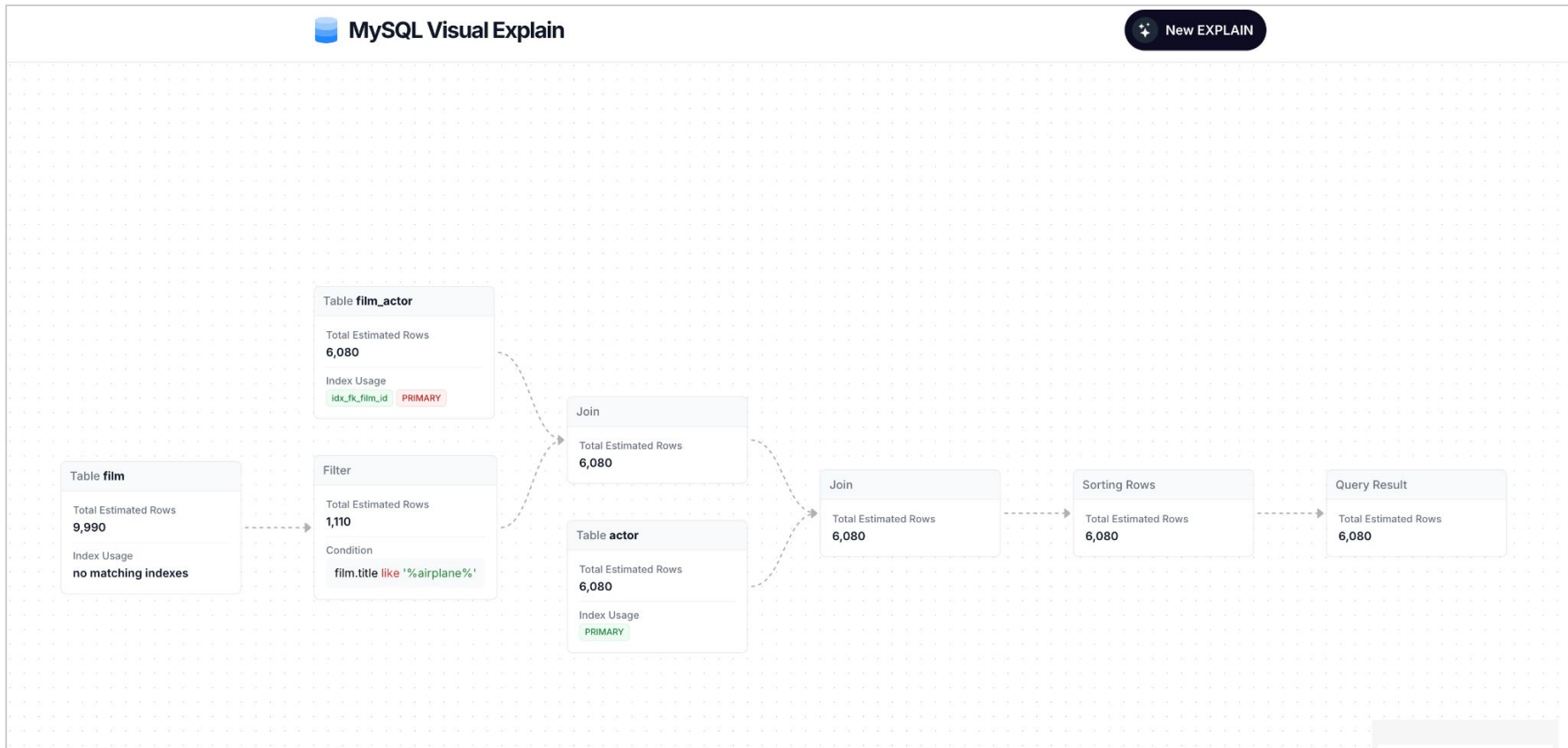
MySQL Tuner

```
----- Performance Metrics -----
[ ] Up for: 1d 9h 9m 8s (27K q [0.228 qps], 9K conn, TX: 3M, RX: 4M)
[ ] Reads / Writes: 100% / 0%
[ ] Binary logging is disabled
[ ] Total buffers: 169.0M global + 1.1M per thread (151 max threads)
[OK] Maximum reached memory usage: 170.1M (17.13% of installed RAM)
[OK] Maximum possible memory usage: 338.9M (34.11% of installed RAM)
[OK] Slow queries: 0% (0/27K)
[OK] Highest usage of available connections: 0% (1/151)
[OK] Aborted connections: 0.24% (22/9085)
[!] Query cache is disabled
[OK] Sorts requiring temporary tables: 0% (0 temp sorts / 60 sorts)
[OK] Temporary tables created on disk: 5% (1K on disk / 24K total)
[OK] Thread cache hit rate: 99% (1 created / 9K connections)
[OK] Table cache hit rate: 29% (2K open / 6K opened)
[OK] Open file limit used: 2% (139/5K)
[OK] Table locks acquired immediately: 100% (9K immediate / 9K locks)

----- MyISAM Metrics -----
[!] Key buffer used: 18.3% (1M used / 8M cache)
[OK] Key buffer size / total MyISAM indexes: 8.0M/41.0K
[OK] Read Key buffer hit rate: 99.7% (2K cached / 7 reads)

----- InnoDB Metrics -----
[ ] InnoDB is enabled.
[OK] InnoDB buffer pool / data size: 128.0M/16.0K
[OK] InnoDB buffer pool instances: 1
[!] InnoDB Used buffer: 3.91% (320 used/ 8192 total)
[OK] InnoDB Read buffer efficiency: 99.04% (29436 hits/ 29720 total)
[!] InnoDB Write buffer efficiency: 0.00% (0 hits/ 1 total)
[OK] InnoDB log waits: 0.00% (0 waits / 2 writes)
```

MySQL Visual Explain



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A decorative graphic in the top right corner consisting of several overlapping squares and triangles in two shades of pink: a light pink and a darker, more muted pink. The shapes are arranged in a way that creates a sense of depth and geometric complexity.

Thank you!