

Part 2

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1. Using EXPLAIN ANALYZE, record the number of tuples that postgres estimates each query will return and the actual number of tuples returned.

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EXPLAIN ANALYZE select * from productions where year > 1994 and year <= 1996 and productiontype = 'short';
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Gather  (cost=1000.00..150028.02 rows=13366 width=72) (actual
time=0.433..344.389 rows=5327 loops=1)
  Workers Planned: 2
  Workers Launched: 2
    -> Parallel Seq Scan on productions  (cost=0.00..147691.42
rows=5569 width=72) (actual time=0.580..333.838 rows=1776 loops=3)
      Filter: ((year > 1994) AND (year <= 1996) AND (productiontype
= 'short'::text))
      Rows Removed by Filter: 2563151
Planning time: 0.152 ms
Execution time: 344.642 ms
(8 rows)
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2. Using only the information in pg_stats and pg_class compute the selectivity of the WHERE clause of this query

Obtain histogram fraction from null_frac and most common frequency sum

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SELECT 1-null_frac-mcfs_sum AS hist_sum, null_frac, mcfs_sum
FROM (SELECT
      (SELECT CAST(null_frac AS float) FROM pg_stats AS pgs WHERE
pgs.tablename = 'productions' AND attname = 'year') AS null_frac,
      SUM(mcfs) AS mcfs_sum FROM
      (SELECT UNNEST(most_common_freqs) AS mcfs
FROM pg_stats WHERE tablename = 'productions' AND attname =
'year') as t) as p;
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hist_sum		null_frac		mcfs_sum
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0.192266747355461		0.111733332276344		0.695999997667968

Null frac and histogram were not populated for 'productiontype', therefore just using MCF values.

Obtain most common frequencies for productiontype and year

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SELECT most_common_vals, most_common_freqs FROM pg_stats WHERE
tablename = 'productions' AND attname = 'productiontype';
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{tvEpisode,short,movie,video,tvSeries,tvMovie,tvMiniSeries,tvSpecial,v
ideoGame,tvShort}
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{0.736133,0.105767,0.0713667,0.0292667,0.0271333,0.0165333,0.00476667,
0.0045,0.0034,0.00113333}
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SELECT most_common_vals, most_common_freqs FROM pg_stats WHERE
tablename = 'productions' AND attname = 'year';
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most_common_vals

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{2017,2018,2016,2019,2015,2020,2014,2013,2012,2011,2010,2009,2008,2007
,2006,2005,2021,2004,2003,2002,2001,2000,1999,1998,1997,1995}
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most_common_freqs

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{0.0501,0.0489333,0.0479333,0.0473333,0.0453667,0.0423,0.0422333,0.039
5667,0.0369667,0.032,0.0276,0.0268,0.0237333,0.0235667,0.0206,0.0189,0
.0179333,0.0154333,0.0137333,0.0129333,0.0127667,0.0117,0.01,0.0095,0.
00933333,0.00873333}
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Obtain histogram_bounds for year

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SELECT histogram_bounds FROM pg_stats WHERE tablename = 'productions'
and attname = 'year';
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histogram_bounds

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{1896,1905,1910,1912,1913,1915,1916,1920,1924,1929,
1934,1939,1944,1948,1951,1952,1954,1955,1956,1957,
1959,1960,1961,1962,1963,1964,1964,1965,1966,1966,
1967,1967,1968,1968,1969,1969,1970,1971,1971,1972,
1972,1973,1973,1974,1974,1975,1976,1976,1977,1977,
1978,1978,1979,1979,1980,1980,1981,1981,1981,1982,
1982,1983,1983,1984,1984,1984,1985,1985,1986,1986,
1986,1987,1987,1987,1988,1988,1989,1989,1989,1990,
1990,1990,1991,1991,1991,1992,1992,1992,1993,1993,
1993,1993,1994,1994,1994,1994,1994,1994,1996,1996,1996,1996,1996,2023}
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Calculating Specificity

> 1994 AND <= 1996 is values for 1995 and 1996.

- This is 4 buckets in histogram, with histogram representing 0.192266747355461 of the tuples
- MCF for 1995 is 0.008733333, with no MCF for 1996

productiontype='short'

- MCF is 0.105767 with no histogram_bounds, and null_frac = 0 (null)

Therefore the formula is:

$((4/100) * 0.192266747355461 + 0.008733333) * 0.105767 = \mathbf{0.001737118}$

The specificity of this query is **0.001737118**

3. using this selectivity, compute the expected number of matching tuples of this query.

Obtain number of tuples

SELECT reltuples FROM pg_class WHERE relname = 'productions';

reltuples

7.6944e+06

(1 row)

7694400 tuples in the relation

$0.001737118 * 7694400 = \mathbf{13366.07700059}$

Rounded: **13366**

Gather (cost=1000.00..150028.02 rows=**13366** width=72) (actual time=0.433..344.389 rows=5327 loops=1)

Calculation matches that calculated by PSQL ANALYZE