



# Optimizing Performance of SQL-on-Anything Engine

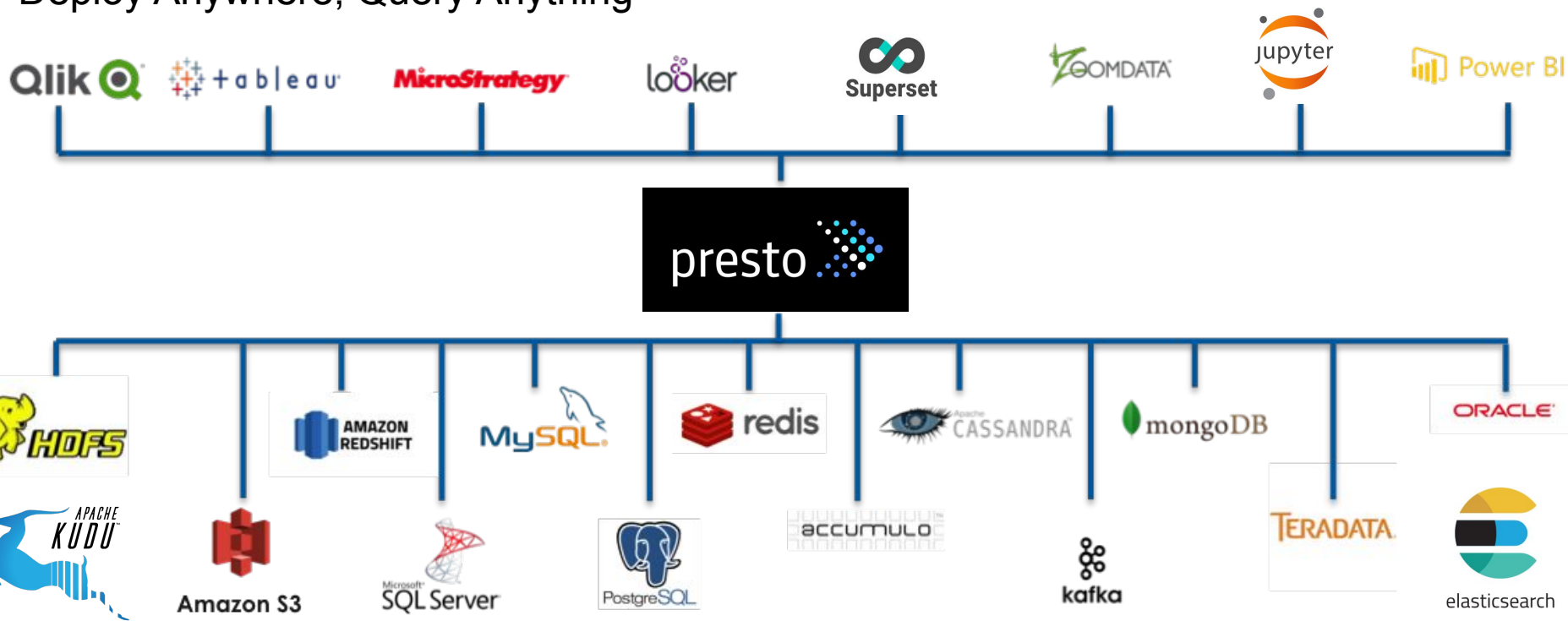


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# Presto: SQL-on-Anything

Deploy Anywhere, Query Anything



# Project History



## FALL 2012

4 developers  
start Presto  
development

## FALL 2013

Facebook open  
sources Presto

## SPRING 2015

Teradata joins the  
community, begins  
investing heavily in  
the project

## SUMMER 2017

180+ Releases  
50+ Contributors  
5000+ Commits

## WINTER 2017

Starburst is founded by  
a team of Presto  
committers, Teradata  
veterans

## WINTER 2019

Presto Software  
Foundation  
established

# Community

See more at [our Wiki](#)



# Presto in Production

**Facebook:** 10,000+ of nodes, HDFS (ORC, RCFile), sharded MySQL, 1000s of users

**Uber:** 2,000+ nodes (several clusters on premises) with 160K+ queries daily over HDFS (Parquet/ORC)

**Twitter:** 2,000+ nodes (several clusters on premises and GCP), 20K+ queries daily (Parquet)

**LinkedIn:** 500+ nodes, 200K+ queries daily over HDFS (ORC), and ~1000 users

**Lyft:** 400+ nodes in AWS, 100K+ queries daily, 20+ PBs in S3 (Parquet)

**Netflix:** 300+ nodes in AWS, 100+ PB in S3 (Parquet)

**Yahoo! Japan:** 200+ nodes for HDFS (ORC), and ObjectStore

**FINRA:** 120+ nodes in AWS, 4PB in S3 (ORC), 200+ users

# Why Presto?



Community-driven  
open source project



High performance ANSI SQL engine

- New Cost-Based Query Optimizer
- Proven scalability
- High concurrency



Separation of compute  
and storage

- Scale storage and compute independently
- No ETL or data integration necessary to get to insights
- SQL-on-anything



No vendor lock-in

- No Hadoop distro vendor lock-in
- No storage engine vendor lock-in
- No cloud vendor lock-in

# Beyond ANSI SQL

Presto offers a wide variety of built-in functions including:

- regular expression functions
- lambda expressions and functions
- geospatial functions

Complex data types:

- JSON
- ARRAY
- MAP
- ROW / STRUCT

```
SELECT regexp_extract_all('1a 2b 14m', '\d+'); -- [1, 2, 14]
SELECT filter(ARRAY [5, -6, NULL, 7], x -> x > 0); -- [5, 7]
SELECT transform(ARRAY [5, 6], x -> x + 1); -- [6, 7]
```

```
SELECT c.city_id, count(*) as trip_count
FROM trips_table as t
JOIN city_table as c
ON st_contains(c.geo_shape,
              st_point(t.dest_lng, t.dest_lat))
WHERE t.trip_date = '2018-05-01'
GROUP BY 1;
```

# Tools, bindings, extensibility



JDBC / ODBC drivers for BI/SQL tools

C/C++, Go, Java, Node.js, Python, PHP, R and Ruby on Rails

UDFs, UDAFs, Connector SPI



# More connectors

<https://www.starburstdata.com/technical-blog/starburst-presto-databricks-delta-lake-support/>



<https://streaml.io/blog/querying-data-streams-with-apache-pulsar-sql>



<http://iceberg.incubator.apache.org/>



<https://eng.uber.com/apache-hudi/>



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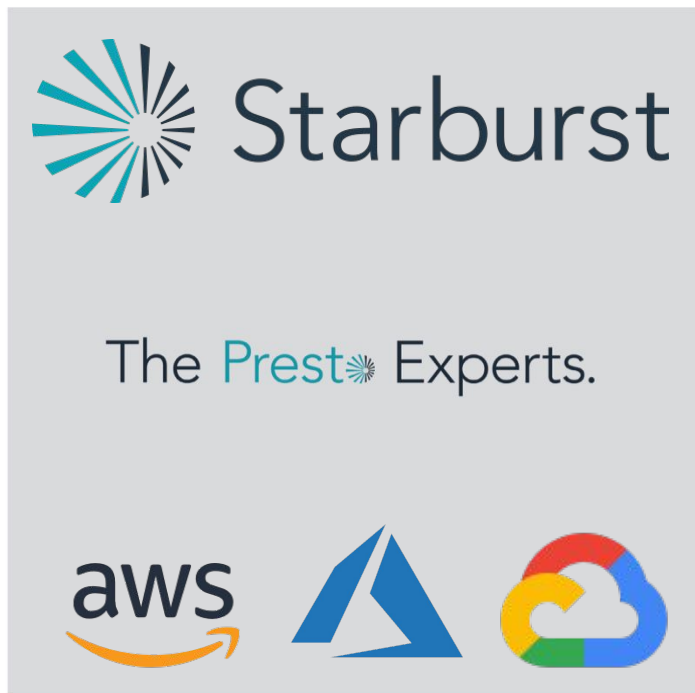


<https://engineering.grab.com/big-data-real-time-presto-talariadb>



<https://blog.yugabyte.com/presto-on-yugabyte-db-interactive-olap-sql-queries-made-easy-facebook/>

# Enterprise edition



Founded by Presto committers:

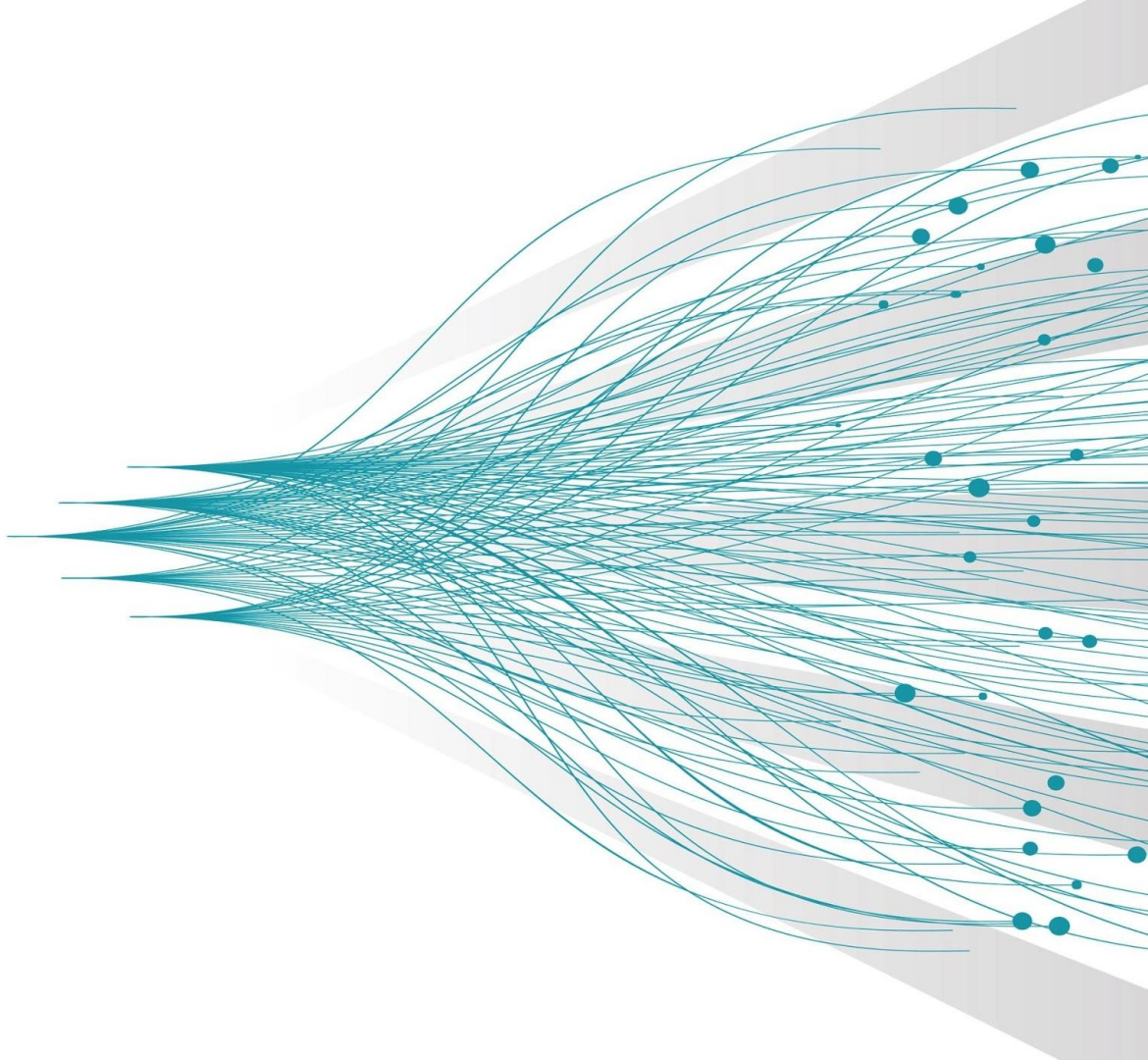
- Over 4 years of contributions to Presto
- Presto distro for on-prem and cloud env
- Supporting large customers in production
- Enterprise subscription add-ons (ODBC, Ranger, Sentry, Oracle, Teradata, K8S)

Notable features contributed:

- ANSI SQL syntax enhancements
- Execution engine improvements
- Security integrations
- Spill to disk
- Cost-Based Optimizer

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# Performance



# Built for Performance

Query Execution Engine:

- MPP-style **pipelined** in-memory execution
- **Columnar** and **vectorized** data processing
- Runtime query **bytecode compilation**
- Memory **efficient** data structures
- Multi-threaded multi-core execution
- Optimized readers for **columnar formats** (ORC and Parquet)
- Predicate and column projection **pushdown**
- Now also **Cost-Based Optimizer**

# CBO in a nutshell

Presto Cost-Based Optimizer includes:

- support for **statistics** stored in Hive Metastore
- **join reordering** based on selectivity estimates and cost
- automatic **join type** selection (repartitioned vs broadcast)
- automatic left/right side selection for joined tables

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# Statistics & Cost

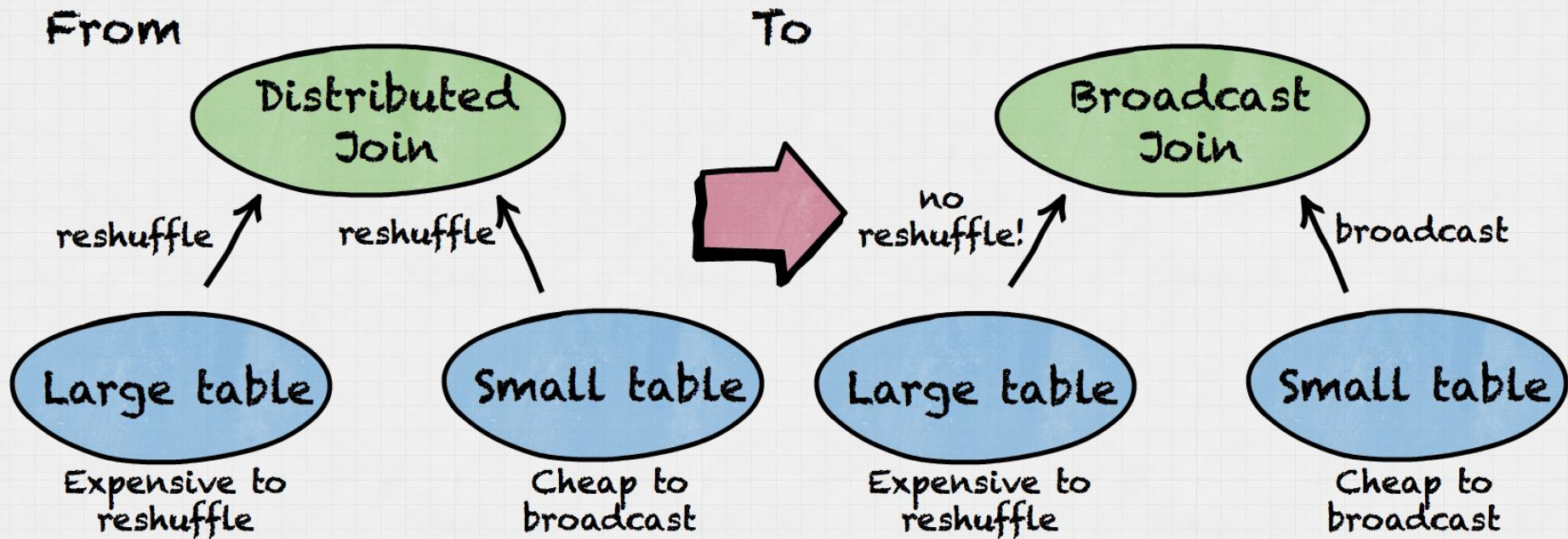
Hive Metastore statistics:

- number of rows in a table
- number of distinct values in a column
- fraction of NULL values in a column
- minimum/maximum value in a column
- average data size for a column

Cost calculation includes:

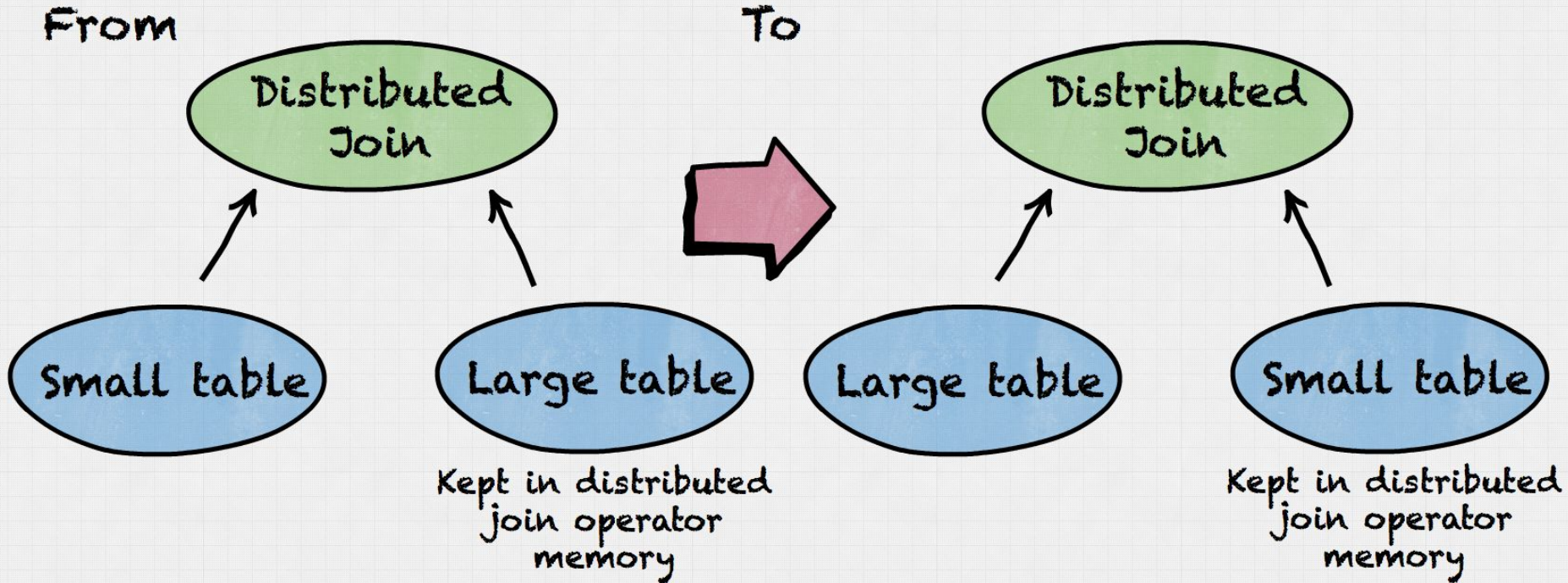
- CPU
- Memory
- Network I/O

# Join type selection



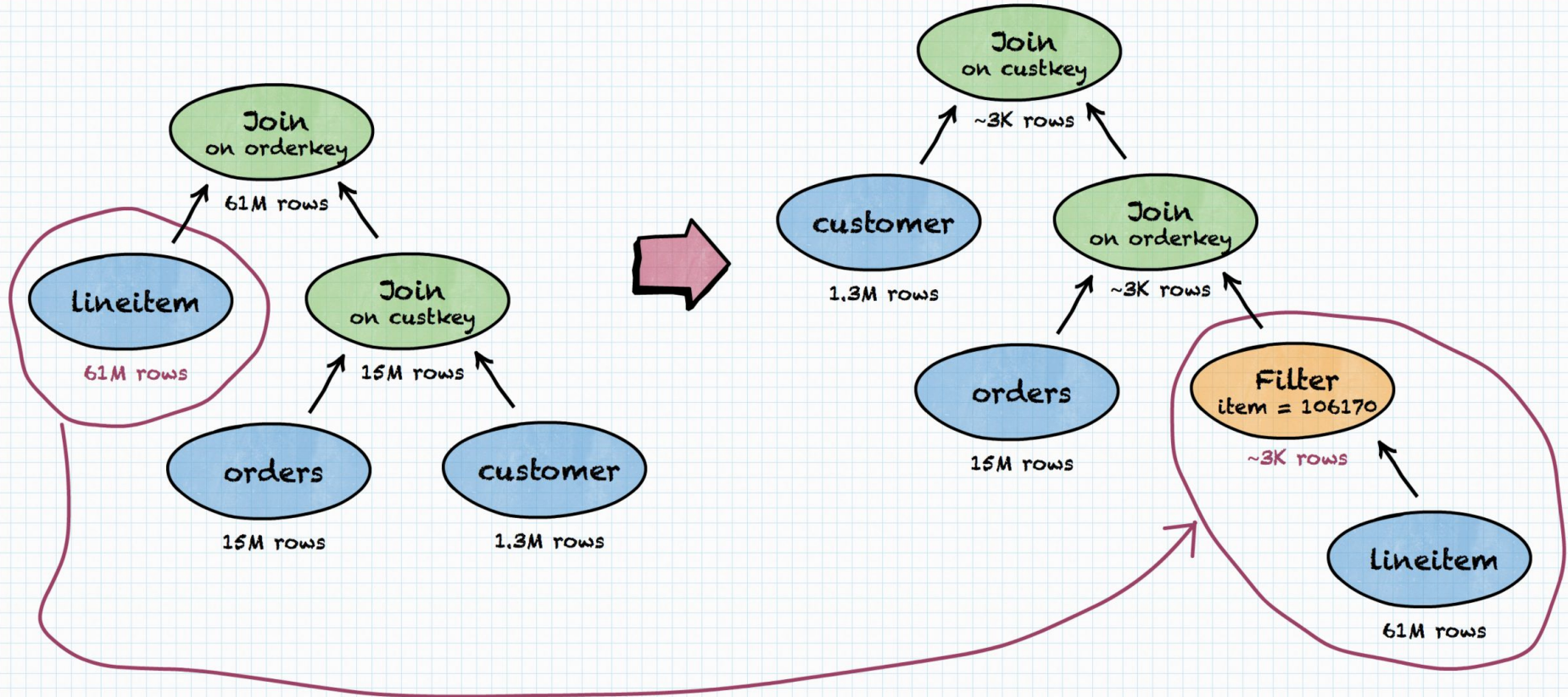


# Join left/right side decision



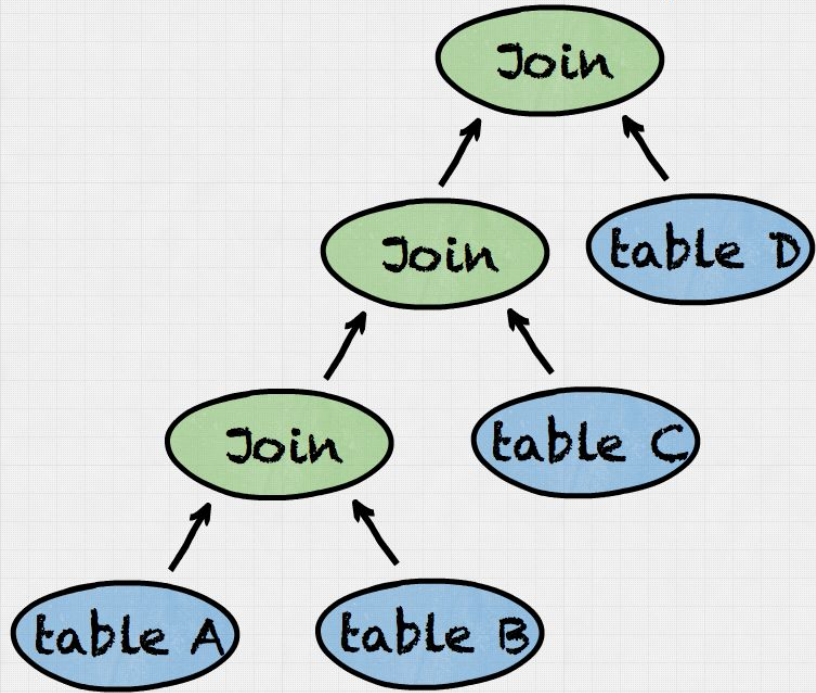


# Join reordering with filter

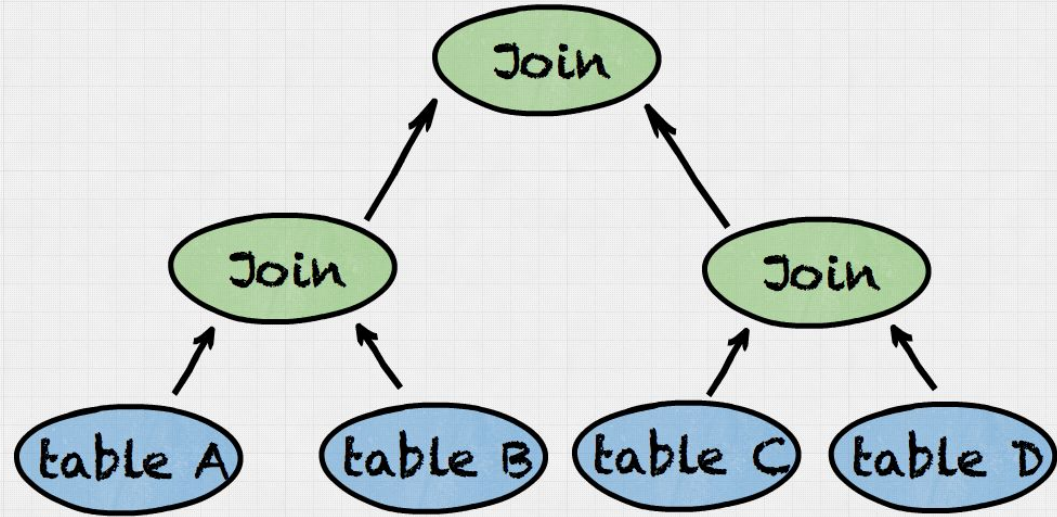


# Join tree shapes

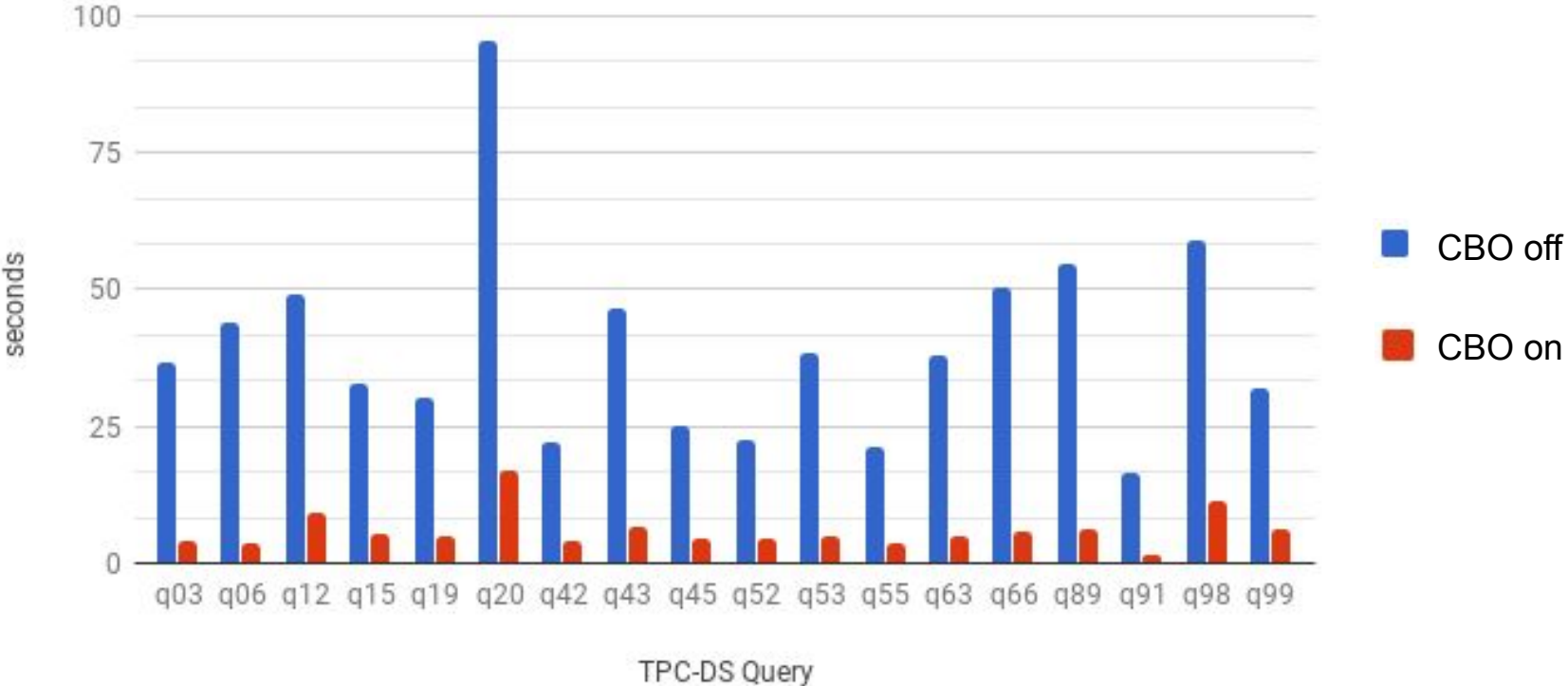
Left deep



Bushy tree



# Benchmark results

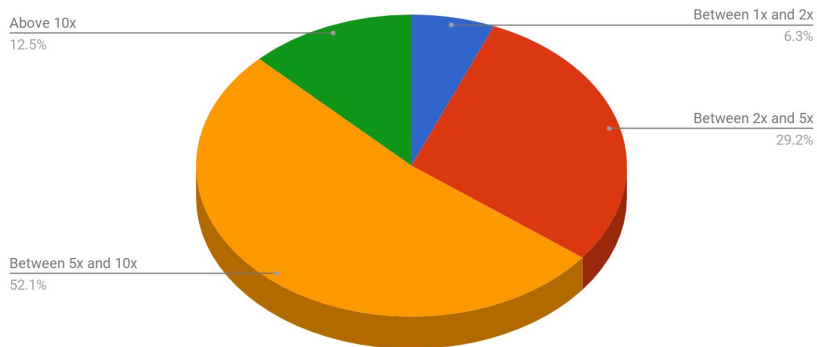


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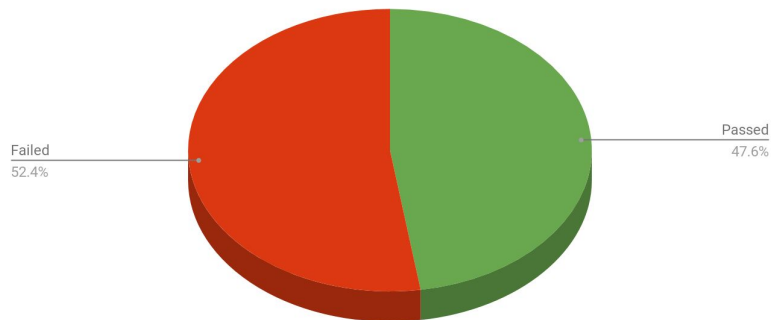
# Benchmark results

- on average 7x improvement vs EMR Presto
- EMR Presto cannot execute many TPC-DS queries
- All TPC-DS queries pass on Starburst Presto

Starburst Presto (CBO) vs EMR Presto speedup



EMR Presto TPC-DS passed queries %



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# Recent CBO enhancements

- Deciding on semi-join distribution type based on cost
- Capping a broadcasted table size
- Various minor fixes in cardinality estimation
- ANALYZE table (native in Presto)
- Stats for AWS Glue Catalog
- Enabling DBMS federation use cases



# What's next for Optimizer

- Enhanced stats support
  - Improved stats for Hive
  - Stats for more DBMS and NoSQL connectors
  - Tolerate missing / incomplete stats
- Core CBO improvements
  - Cost more operators
  - Adjust cost model weights based on the hardware
  - Adaptive optimizations
  - Introduce Traits
- Involve connectors in optimizations

# Further reading

<https://www.prestosql.io>

<https://www.starburstdata.com>

<https://fivetran.com/blog/warehouse-benchmark>

<https://www.concurrencylabs.com/blog/starburst-presto-vs-aws-emr-sql/>

<http://bytes.schibsted.com/bigdata-sql-query-engine-benchmark/>

<https://virtuslab.com/blog/benchmarking-spark-sql-presto-hive-bi-processing-googles-cloud-dataproc/>



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