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Demystifying the DB2 Dynamic Statement Cache

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What Will We Talk About?



- > Some SQL Tuning Fundamentals
- > Dynamic SQL in More Detail
- > Introduction to DB2 Statement Caching
- > Mining for Gold in the Global Statement Cache



DB2 Tuning - Where Should You Spend Your Time



> What Can I tune in DB2



- > Where are the biggest problems
 - Purely an estimate and your experience may vary
 - Many tuning efforts combine multiple areas
 - Especially true of SQL and Object Analysis



Solving the Problem SQL Analysis Across the Application Life Cycle





> Focus on individual SQL statements

- Do they meet "best practice" coding standards
- Do they use expected/accepted DB2 access paths
- Do they deliver desired result set in acceptable time with acceptable resource consumption
- > Developed and tested in controlled environment
- > More predictive in nature

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 Focus on workload dynamics

- How does concurrent execution affect response time/resource consumption
- Does this SQL statement/program collide with other transactions
- Same application
 - Other applications in a shared subsystem
- Real world unpredictability comes into play
- More focus on measuring the workload and rapidly reacting



SQL Tuning Fundamentals DB2 Optimizer Determines SQL Performance





SQL Tuning Fundamentals Access Path Selection

Static SQL

- Access path determined at bind time better performance
 - Exceptions to the rule
 - REOPT (VARS) or (ALWAYS)
 - Access path determined at run time for those statements with host variables or parameter markers
 - PREPARE(DEFER)
 - Option useful in distributed environments for reducing message traffic
- > Authorization for execution at the plan/package level
- > Qualifiers passed via host variables
- > SQLJ provides for bound static SQL in Java applications

For Dynamic SQL

- > Access Path Selection determined at execution
 - That's the PREPARE
 - Exceptions to the Rule
 - KEEPDYNAMIC bind option
 - Holds prepared statements across commits to avoid cost of re-preparing statement
 - Global Dynamic Statement Cache
 - Maintains Skeleton of prepared statements
- > Build and execute SQL on the fly
- > User requires authorization to all accessed objects
- > Parameter markers for passing variables







Trends in the Marketplace Static vs. Dynamic SQL



- > Dynamic SQL usage is on the increase
- > What's driving it?
 - Dynamic SQL offers flexibility that can simplify developing complex applications
 - New applications being developed on distributed platforms using connections that only support dynamic SQL
 - DB2 CONNECT, etc.
 - ERP applications implemented with dynamic SQL
 - SAP, PeopleSoft, Siebel
 - New applications being developed on distributed platforms
 - New developers are much more familiar with GUI-based programming environments and don't even sign on to the mainframe
 - –More Java and C++



SQL Fundamentals - Static SQL



- > Data access requirements well defined and predictable
- > Static SQL cursor constructs
 - Define the Cursor





SQL Fundamentals - Dynamic SQL In Practice



SELECT	DISTINCT T_01. "PERNR"
FROM	"PA0001" T_01, "PA0002" T_02
WHERE	(T_02. "MANDT" = ?
AND	T_01. "PERNR" = T_02. "PERNR")
AND	T_01. "MANDT" = ?
AND	T_01. "BEGDA" <= ?
AND	T_01. "ENDDA" >= ?
and	T_01."SPRPS" <> ?
And	T_01."WERKS" = ?
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AND	T_02. "ENDDA" >= ?
AND	T_02. "NACHN" BETWEEN ? AND ?
AND	T_02. "SPRPS" \diamond ?
FOR	FETCH ONLY

- > A Statement from a major ERP application
- > Built on the fly based on search criteria selected
- > A complex statement with unpredictable input
 - Default statement syntax includes minimal number of search criteria
 - More search criteria the statement expands to include those search arguments
 - If using static SQL could require over 100 cursor definitions in the program



Dynamic SQL Operational Considerations



> Sensitive to DB2 statistics

- Dynamic SQL always uses current catalog statistics for access path selection
 - Changes in DB2 statistics can cause unpredictable changes in access paths
- Some DB2 customers collect catalog statistics to drive maintenance processes
 - May cause SQL performance to fluctuate unexpectedly
- > Security is generally more complex with dynamic SQL
 - Application users generally require authorization to the objects being accessed
 - Auditing is also affected because statements are developed on the fly
- > Governor capability may be required
 - Performance characteristics can vary widely for dynamic
 - DB2 Resource Limit Facility may be required
- > Access path analysis difficult because access path is not available prior to execution



Dynamic SQL Considerations PREPARE Yourself



> Repeated PREPAREs drive up the cost of dynamic SQL

- Prepared statements by default are not persistent across UOWs
- Prepare costs vary widely but are significant
- > Key requirement from anyone developing dynamic SQL applications to reduce or eliminate the cost of preparing dynamic SQL statements
 - Driven initially by SAP and other ERP vendors
 - More in-house dynamic SQL applications drive this requirement
- > Enter Dynamic Statement Caching



Introduction to Dynamic Statement Caching



- > Goal is to reduce or eliminate SQL Prepare operations required for dynamic SQL statements
- > Implementation
 - Four kinds of caching
 - No caching
 - Local Dynamic Statement Caching
 - Global Dynamic Statement Caching
 - Full Caching
 - Cache prepared SQL statement and statement text for dynamic SQL statements in DBM1address space
 - Local Statement Cache
 - Global Dynamic Statement Cache
 - Controlled by various parameters
 - Bind options
 - DSNZPARMs
 - Application constructs



Dynamic Statement Caching No Statement Caching

> Prepared statements do not persist across commits

- Discarded at commit
- Except for statements defined with CURSOR for HOLD
- > Default mode of operation





Dynamic Statement Caching With Local Statement Caching Only



- > Eliminates need for application to do multiple prepares for same statement
 - Implicit prepares done by DB2
- > Enabling Local Statement Caching
 - KEEPDYNAMIC(YES) Bind Parameter
 - MAXKEEPD DSNZPARM controls maximum prepared statements
 - Does not affect statement text which is always kept
- > Differentiation between prepared statement and statement text
- > Minimal benefit if used alone
 - Some reduction in message traffic in a distributed environment is possible



Dynamic Statement Caching Global Statement Caching Only

- > Allows reuse of prepared statements across UOWs
 - Within and across program executions
 - Prepared statement (SKDS) cached in global dynamic statement cache
 - Copied into local storage when possible
 - Short Prepare
- > Enabling global statement caching
 - CACHEDYN=YES DSNZPARM value
 - Storage allocation discussed later
- > Big benefit for applications with frequent reuse of dynamic SQL
 - Benefits with no coding changes required





Dynamic Statement Caching Where Cached Statements can be Reused



Stmt Detail...

SQL Stmt.... Date Cached... 2007-03-08 Time Cached... 09:22:54 Status..... Currently valid Program..... RRS01 line No..... 163THE ULTIMATE APPLIC Tran. Name.... User ID..... RNDWDA SOLID.... RNDWDA Object Qual... RNDWDA Table Qual.... RDHCXC Table Name.... CWC50 SQL Text(1)... DELETE FROM RDHCXC.CWC COL01 = 'AAAAAAAA'SQL Text(2)... Statement ID., 0000025F ID String..... AFDQA SMT_TOKEN

BIND Options ISOLATION.... CURSOR STABILI > Statement text must be 100% the same

 Use parameter markers
 Literals won't work (usually)

 > Additional items must be 100% the same
 or compatible

- Bind rules
- -Special registers
- -Authorizations
- -Others
- You may not get any benefit out of the dynamic statement cache at all
 - Most likely to benefit if you using an ERP or some other application that uses dynamic SQL extensively



Dynamic Statement Caching Full Caching – A Final Flavor



- > Combines benefits of local and global statement caching
 - Ability to completely avoid prepare operations
 - Prepared statement kept in local thread storage and not invalidated across commits
 - <u>Prepare Avoidance</u>
- > Enabling global statement caching
 - CACHEDYN=YES, MAXKEEPD>0, KEEPDYNAMIC(YES)
- > Maximum benefit within an application execution
 - Local thread storage is discarded at thread termination



Dynamic Statement Caching Cost Impacts





Dynamic Statement Caching Impacts on Storage



EDM Pool in DB2 V7



Caches access path & internal structure definitions

>This pool contains

- -DBDs database descriptors
- -Skeleton Package and Cursor Tables (SKPT & SKCT)
- –Package and Cursor Tables (PT/CT)

 Authorization cache block for each plan (optional)

- -SKDS Skeletons of dynamic SQL for CACHE DYNAMIC SQL (optional)
 - ≻ Optionally stored in a dataspace
- -Trigger Packages



Dynamic Statement Caching Impacts on Storage



EDM Pool In DB2 V8

JBM1 - DB2 Database Services



>EDMPOOL now in 3 separate pools

- EDMDBDC DBDs
 - Above the Bar
- EDMSTMTC Dynamic Statements
 - Above the Bar
- EDMPOOL Skeleton Package and Cursor Tables
 - Still below the bar and a potential source of VSC

>No dataspace option for Dynamic Statement Cache

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Dynamic Statement Caching Impacts on Storage





Dynamic SQL Statement Caching DB2 Cache Statistics



			Failures
SQL Cache in Statement Pool		1050	Should be 0
Total Pages	4 04	1250	Increase Statement Pool
Pages_Used	1.84	23	Size if not
Free Pages	98.16	1227	
Global Cache Usage	Interval	Session	
Requests	0	35 G	lobal Cache Hit Ratio
Inserts	0	7	Shoot for 80+%
Found in Cache(Short Prepare)	0	28.0	
Not Found in Cache(Long Prepare)	0		
Global Cache Hit Ratio	0.0	80.0	
Failures - Data Space Full	n/a	n/a	
Failures - Statement Pool Full	0	0	
Local Cache Effectiveness	Interval	Session	and Constructive Dotting
Avoided PREPARE (Match)	0		cal Cache Hit Katio
Implicit PREPARE (No Match)	0	<u> </u>	becific for Applications
Local Cache Hit Ratio	0.0	<u>0.0</u> K	DOUND WITH
Statement Discarded (>MAXKEEPD)	0	0	EEIDINAMIC(1E3)
Statement Purged (Drop/Alter/Revoke)	0	0	
	State	ement Discard	ed
		Shoot for 0	
	Incr	ease MAXKEEP	D

The Global Dynamic Statement Cache What Goes In?



> Dynamic Statements

- If the Global Cache is active (CACHEDYN=YES) and not a REOPT(ALWAYS) application
- Reside in the till they are thrown out
 - DROP or ALTER
 - Authorization Revoked
 - LRU
 - RUNSTATS
 - DB2 is recycled

Unique	Date	Time	Program	User ID	Current	First 60 Bytes of SQL
ID	Cached	Cached			SQLID	-
5	2007-03-11	10:47:28	RRS01	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT * FROM RDHCXC.C
3	2007-03-11	10:47:28	RRS01	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	DELETE FROM RDHCXC.CWC
4	2007-03-11	10:47:28	RRS01	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	INSERT INTO RDHCXC.CWC
1	2007-03-11	10:47:28	RRS01	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	INSERT INTO RDHCXC.CWC
2	2007-03-11	10:47:28	RRS01	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	UPDATE RDHCXC.CWC50 SE
6	2007-03-11	10:51:06	CRBMDPK	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT ORDER_NBR, B.OR
7	2007-03-11	10:51:06	CRBMDPK	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A. PRIMARY_KEY_A
8	2007-03-11	21:22:10	ACSBQTB	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
9	2007-03-11	21:22:15	ACSBQZC	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
A	2007-03-11	21:22:21	ACSBQTS	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT DISTINCT A.* FR
В	2007-03-11	21:22:56	ACSBQTB	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
C	2007-03-11	21:22:56	ACSBQCO	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
D	2007-03-11	21:23:18	ACTQSQLX	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	DELETE FROM RNDWDA.DSN
F	2007-03-11	21:23:34	ACSBQCO	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
E	2007-03-11	21:23:34	ACSBQTB	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB
10	2007-03-11	21:23:48	ACTQSQLX	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	DELETE FROM RNDWDA.PLA
12	2007-03-11	21:24:05	ACSBQCO	RNDWDA	RNDWDA	SELECT A.* FROM "SYSIB

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Retrieving Data From the Global Cache



- > As shown previously
 - Statement caching performance data in DB2 statistics records
 - Metrics show details about cache hit ratios and other useful data points that help you evaluate overall performance of your statement caches
- > For more detail on Global Statement Cache usage the following instrumentation is provided
 - IFCID 316 Provides details on statements in the cache
 - First 60 bytes of SQL text
 - Includes execution statistics (0 if not being collected)
 - IFCID 317 can then be used to retrieve the entire SQL statement from the cache once you have identified the statement of interest
- > EXPLAIN STMTCACHE
 - V8 feature that exports Dynamic Statement Cache information to the DSN_STATEMENT_CACHE_TABLE
 - Nearly identical to the detail in IFCID 316 & 317
 - Multiple options including ALL, stmt-id, and stmt-token



Reviewing Global Statement Cache Information IFCID 316 Results



Stmt Detail	
SQL Stmt	
Date Cached	2007-03-11
Time Cached	10:47:28
Status	Currently valid
Program	RRS01
Line No	181
Tran. Name	< THE ULTIMATE APPLICATION -
User ID	RNDWDA
SQLID	RNDWDA
Object Qual	RNDWDA
Table Qual	RDHCXC
Table Name	CWC50
SQL Text(1)	SELECT * FROM RDHCXC.CLC50 WHE
SQL Text(2)	RE COL $01 = 'AAAAAAAA'$
Statement ID	00000005
ID String	AFDQA SMT_TOKEN

BIND Options	
ISOLATION	CURSOR STABILITY
CURRENTDATA	YES
DYNAMICRULES	RUN
CURRENT DEGREE	1
CURRENT RULES.	DB2
CUR. PRECISION	DEC15
CURSOR HOLD	NOT HELD CURSOR

First 60 Bytes of SQL Text
>IFCID 317 gives full text
Bind Options
Statement Statistics (more later)

Statistics	Southers -
Executions	17
Synch Bfr Reads	0
Getpages	54
Rows Examined	18
Rows Processed	18
Sorts Performed	0
Index Scans	18
Tablespace Scans	0
Parallel Groups	Õ
Synch Bfr Writes	Ō
RTD Fail-Limit	ŏ
RTD Fail-Storage	ŏ
Wait Totals	
Synch T/0	00:00:00.00
Lock/Latch	00:00:00 00
Unit Switch	00:00:00 00
Global Lock	00:00:00 00
Other Read	00:00:00 00
Other Write	00:00:00.00
CDIL Timo	00:00:00.00
Total Elancod Timo	00:00:00.00
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Mining the Dynamic Statement Cache **EXPLAIN STMTCACHE ALL**



- Extracts all statements from the global cache
 Inserts one row for each entry in the global DSC

 Populates DSN_STATEMNT_CACHE_TABLE only
 STMT_ID column matches the Unique ID in the global statement cache
 Nearly exact match to the DSC with a few additional columns
 STMT_TEXT is a 2M CLOB so be careful with that

 - COLLID set to DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE

ST	MT_ID STMT_TOKEN	COLLID	PROGRAM_NAME	
	1 AFDQA SMT_TOKEN 2 AFDQA SMT_TOKEN 3 AFDQA SMT_TOKEN 4 AFDQA SMT_TOKEN 5 AFDQA SMT_TOKEN 6	DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE DSNDYNAMICSQLCACHE	RRS01 RRS01 RRS01 RRS01 RRS01 CRBMDPK	••••



DSN STATEMENT CACHE TABLE



Mining the Dynamic Statement Cache EXPLAIN STMTCACHE STMT_ID



- > Extracts a single statement from the global DSC
 - Populates PLAN, DSN_DYNAMIC_STATEMNT, DSN_STATEMENT, and DSN_FUNCTION tables if they exist
 - Access path is current access path for statement in the cache
 - Numeric literal or host variable from program
 - 248 SQL Return Code back to program is STMT_ID not found



Mining the Dynamic Statement Cache EXPLAIN STMTCACHE STMTTOKEN



> Extracts a group of statements from the global DSC

- Populates PLAN, DSN_DYNAMIC_STATEMNT, DSN_STATEMENT, and DSN_FUNCTION tables if they exist
- Access path is current access path for statement in the cache
- Based on STMT_TOKEN value in the cache
- Alphanumeric literal or host variable in program
- -248 SQL Return Code returned if no qualifying entries found in cache





Mining the Dynamic Statement Cache More on the STMT_TOKEN in the Cache



- > Provides a method for grouping similar SQL statements
- > STMTTOKEN values set using RRSAF or sqleseti functions
- > Similar to Client special registers implemented in DB2 v8
- > PL/1 RRSAF Example



Reviewing Global Statement Cache Information IFCID 318



- Execution statistics for dynamic SQL statements
- > Turn on collection with Monitor trace IFCID 318
 - Begins collecting statistics and accumulates them for the length of time the monitor trace is on
 - Stop Monitor trace resets all statistics
 - 2-4% overhead per dynamic SQL statement stored in the cache
- > Recommended approach
 - Run the trace only when actively monitoring the cache
- > Use EXPLAIN STMTCACHE to externalize data for evaluation

Statistics	
Executions	17
Synch Bfr Reads	0
Getpages	54
Rows Examined	18
Rows Processed	18
Sorts Derformed	10
Index Scane	18
Tablaspaca Scans	10
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RID Fall-Limit	U U
RID Fail-Storage	O ther
Wait Totals	
Synch I/0	00:00:00.00
Lock/Latch	00:00:00.00
Unit Switch	00:00:00.00
Global Lock	00:00:00.00
Other Read	00:00:00.00
Other Write	00:00:00.00
CPU Time	00:00:00.00
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 - DB2 UDB for z/OS V8: Through the Looking Glass and What SAP Found There



Summary



- > Dynamic SQL is growing in usage
 - ERP Vendors
 - Distributed applications
- > DB2 offers multiple options for reducing the overhead traditionally associated with dynamic SQL
- > These options include multiple types of statement caching
 - Local statement caching
 - Global statement caching
 - Full statement caching
- > DB2 9 will see big changes in the way the SQL statement execution statistics discussed in this session will be used captured and used

