

Benchmarking GraphDB with SNB & SPB

**The experiences from
passing SNB with a SPARQL engine and
parallelizing SPB workloads at AWS**

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Presentation Outline

- o **Social Network Benchmark**
- o Semantic Publishing Benchmark

Extending SNB compatibility to RDF & SPARQL

- **Implementing SNB Interactive driver**
 - **No imperative language** or stored procedures based query execution
- **GraphDB Path-search extension used for traversal**
 - Graph path search/traversal is very clumsy to implement in vanilla SPARQL
 - GraphDB's Path search extension is **compliant with SPARQL 1.1** syntax, unlike other triplestores
- **Data loading with SNB Hadoop data generator**
 - Audited dataset generator with no modifications to data model

SNB Interactive Challenges

- Complex query plans with multiple JOINS and OPTIONAL clauses required
- Numerous aggregation queries and path traversals
- Multiple-hop queries matched with joins of related metadata
- Frequent data update queries
- Combined complex analytical with lightweight throughput queries

Ontotext's Approach

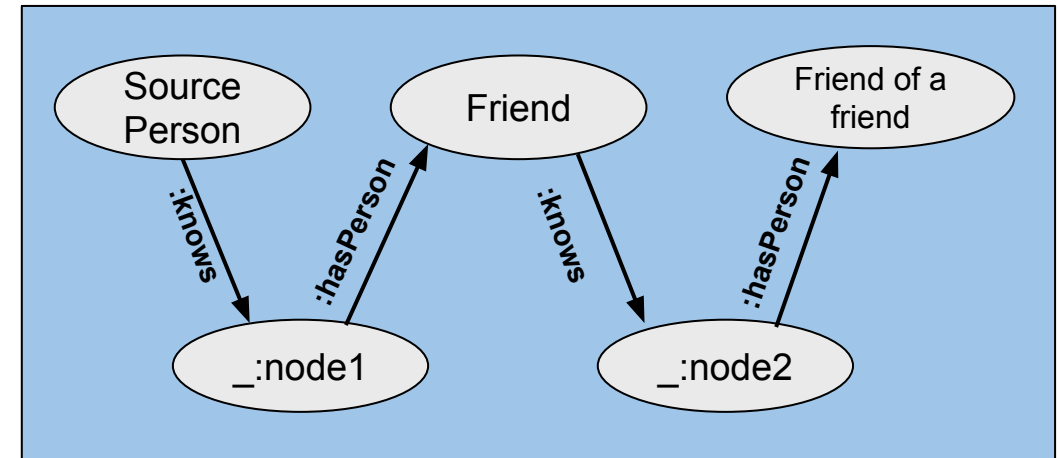
- Optimized All-path traversal memory utilization by leveraging our global entity pool
- Optimized Shortest-path traversal by implementing a greedy approach to iterate adjacency lists
- Used inference to materialize “shortcuts” in the graph

Queries SF10	An LPG engine (ms)	GraphDB (ms)	AVG reads Δ base
6: all path search	4,303.25	1,631.12	-62.1%
14: shortest path + weight	2,037.14	812.40	-60.1%

Optimizing query performance with inference

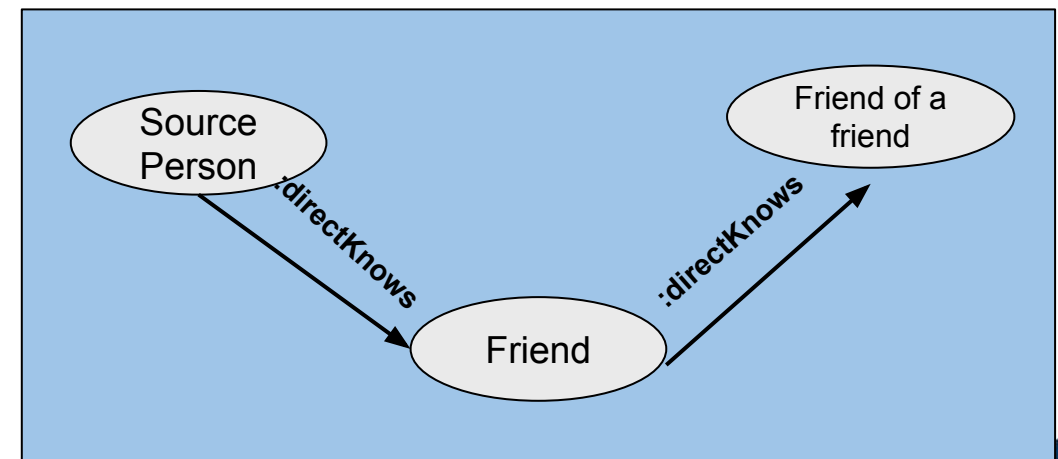
Shortest Path Extract - Q11 without Inference

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SERVICE path:search {  
  <urn:path> path:findPath onto:shortestPath ;  
  path:sourceNode ?source ;  
  path:destinationNode ?destination ;  
  path:maxPathLength 2 ;  
  path:startNode ?start ;  
  path:endNode ?fr .  
  
  SERVICE <urn:path> {  
    ?start snvoc:knows/snvoc:hasPerson ?fr.  
  }  
}
```



Shortest Path Extract - Q11 with Inference (25x times faster)

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  SERVICE <urn:path> {  
    ?start snvoc:directKnows ?fr.  
  }  
}
```



GraphDB: The First RDF Engine to Pass SNB

Audited results:

- Scale factor 30 (SF30) – a graph of 1.5 billion edges
- Workload: Interactive (14 queries)
- Hardware: AWS r6id.8xlarge server (256GiB RAM, Intel Xeon 8375C)
- **12 ops./sec.** on a driver configured with **4 read and 4 write threads**
 - Linear scalability - the result with single agent is 3 ops./sec.

The first audited result for system with declarative query language!

Further reading:

SNB main page: <https://ldbouncil.org/benchmarks/snb/>

Audited results are published at <https://ldbouncil.org/benchmarks/snb-interactive/>

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Semantic Publishing Benchmark

- Replicates BBC's Dynamic **Semantic Publishing approach** through
 - [BBC implemented this first for their FIFA World Cup website in 2010](#)
 - **Large volume of streaming content**, e.g. creative works and media assets
 - **Enriching content with metadata** that describes it and links it to reference knowledge - information about entities: players, teams, groups, matches
 - **Regular updates to the metadata** and less often updates to the reference knowledge
 - Aggregation queries, that retrieve content according to various criteria
- Challenges multiple possible bottlenecks in engine performance (full scans etc.)
- Combines **frequent updates** with **inference**, **geospatial constraints** and **FTS**

GraphDB combines high-availability and scalability on SPB

Audited benchmarks runs:

- Two scale factors:
 - Scale factor 5 (SF5, **SPB 1B**) – a graph of 1.4B edges, after inference materialization
 - Scale factor 3 (**SPB 256M**) - a graph of 400M edges, after inference materialization
- Workload: **Aggregation agents** (12 queries) + **Editorial agents** (2 updates queries)
- Hardware: **AWS r6id.8xlarge** server (256GiB RAM, 32 vCPUs, Intel Xeon 8375C)
- Two configurations: **single server** and high-availability replication **cluster of 3 nodes**

Further reading: SPB main page with audited results: <https://ldbcouncil.org/benchmarks/spb/>

Cloud-ready graph database within minutes

- **Quick & easy to set up and replicate benchmark results**
 - Available helm chart and docker images both for single instance and clustered setups
 - No parameter tunings required to match performance from audited results
- **Scaling performance with cloud hardware**

AWS Cloud Instance	Cost/hour	SPB 1B 16 read agents (QPS)
i4i.4xlarge	\$0.89	72
m6id.8xlarge	\$1.20	104
r6id.8xlarge	\$1.52	130

Notes on the table:

- Unaudited data in the table above
- GraphDB Single instance with 80 GiB heap
- 1Yr Reserved as of June 2023

Read/Write Agents	SPB 256M R/W Ops	SPB 1B R/W Ops
0/4	0/38	0/17
8/4	217/31	69/13
16/4	335/26	106/10
24/0	413/0	158/0

Hardware: r6id.8xlarge

Enterprise grade graph database within minutes

Scaling throughput with # of concurrent users in a cluster

Read/Write agents	SPB 256M QPS (Queries per Second)	SPB 1B QPS (Queries per Second)
16/0	467	181
32/0	755	305
64/0	986	409

* GraphDB 3-node high-availability cluster, r6id.8xlarge instances with 32 vCPUs

- **Serving ~1000 QPS to 64 clients** with high availability cluster
- **Effective query load balancing** across the nodes in the cluster
- Sublinear query performance for growing datasets

Summary of Results & Findings

GraphDB is versatile and capable to handle diverse workloads:

- Transaction and analytical workloads
- Graph-analytics, logical reasoning, FTS, geo-spatial ... all at once
- High-availability and vertical scalability

Social Network Benchmark (SNB):

- **GraphDB is the first RDF engine to pass graph analytics-heavy benchmark**
- **The first audited results for system with declarative query language (not C++)**

Semantic Publishing Benchmark (SPB):

- **Read throughput scales well given stronger AWS instance**
- **Great horizontal scalability in a cluster: over 1000 QPS!**

Thank you!



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