

SPARQL Basic Graph Pattern Optimization Using Selectivity Estimation

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The Need for Query Optimization

*„A simple rearrangement of a SPARQL query
leads to an improvement of factor 220”*

Jena Developers Mailing List, March 2006 [1]

*„The [performance] result of the older version
[...] is over a hundred times lower“*

BigOWLIM 0.9.5 vs. 0.9.6, November 2007 [2]



Query performance

matters!

IMPORTANT



Our **FOCUS** is on ...

Selectivity based

Basic Graph Pattern optimization
for *main memory* query engines



... and **not** on

Persistent triple stores
index structures
and performance evaluations

An Example

?x rdf:type uv:Person .

?x uv:socialSecurityNumber „555-05-7880“

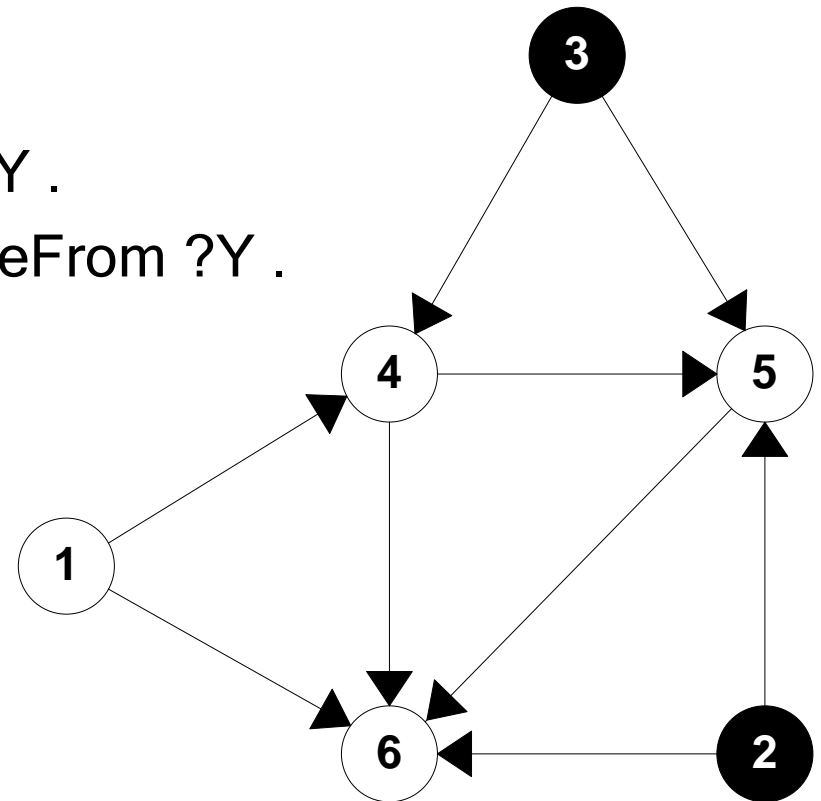


Our Approach

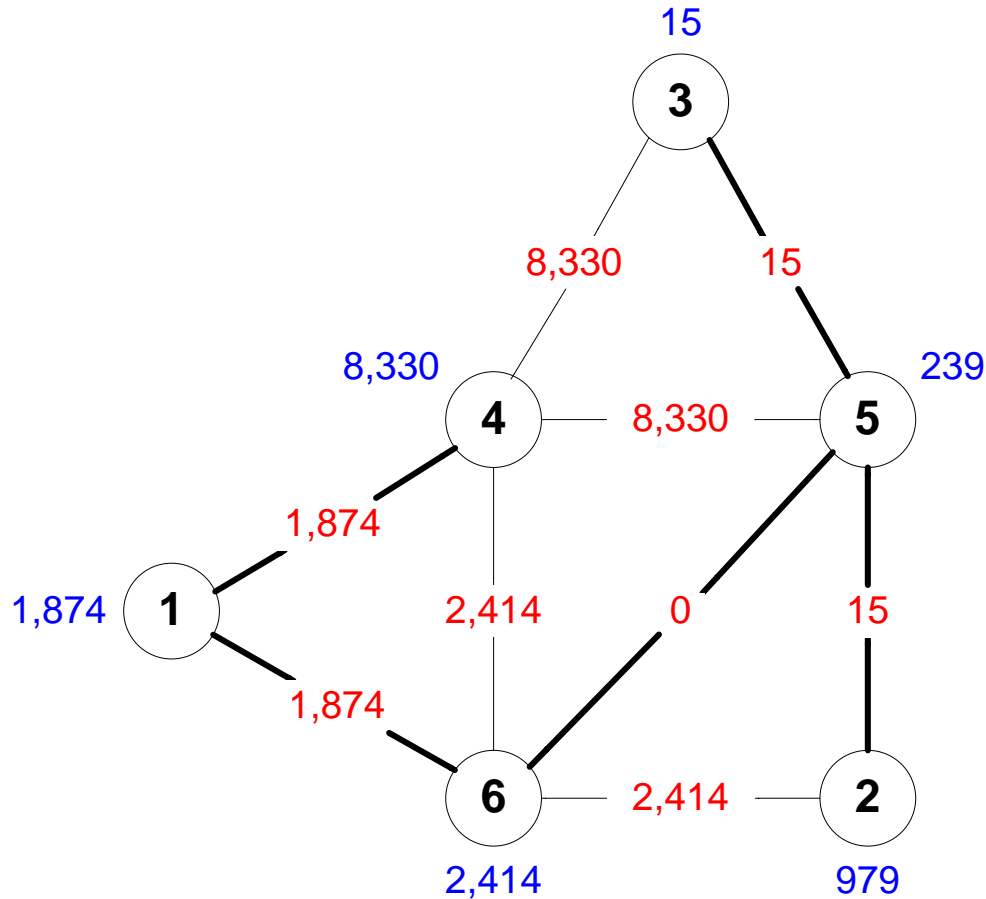
- 1 ?X rdf:type ub:GraduateStudent .
- 2 ?Y rdf:type ub:University .
- 3 ?Z rdf:type ub:Department .
- 4 ?X ub:memberOf ?Z .
- 5 ?Z ub:subOrganizationOf ?Y .
- 6 ?X ub:undergraduateDegreeFrom ?Y .



Original



Our Approach



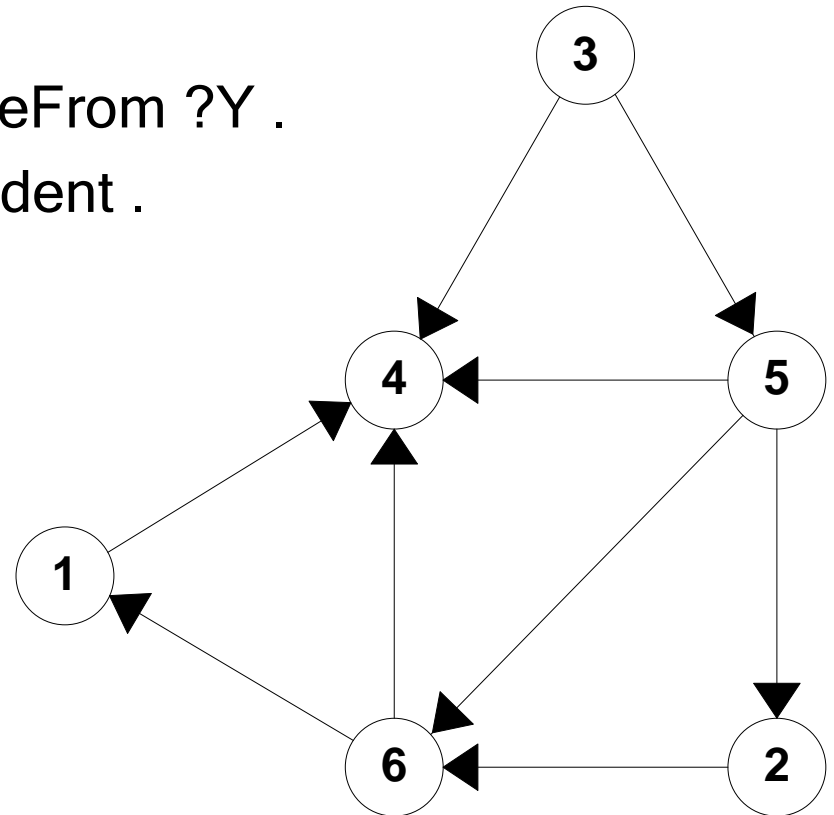
[3, 5, 2, 6, 1, 4]

Our Approach

- 3 ?Z rdf:type ub:Department .
- 5 ?Z ub:subOrganizationOf ?Y .
- 2 ?Y rdf:type ub:University .
- 6 ?X ub:undergraduateDegreeFrom ?Y .
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- 4 ?X ub:memberOf ?Z .



Optimized



Q1 LUBM

Original

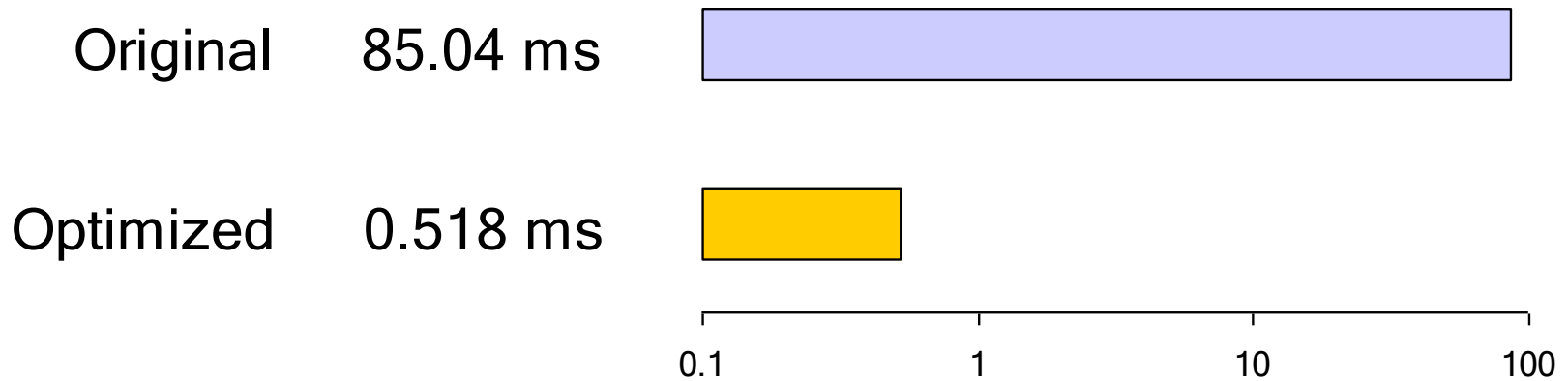
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?X rdf:type          ub:GraduateStudent .  
?X ub:takesCourse  ub:GraduateCourse0
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Optimized

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?X ub:takesCourse  ub:GraduateCourse0 .  
?X rdf:type        ub:GraduateStudent
```



Two Orders of Magnitude



164x

Q9 LUBM

Original

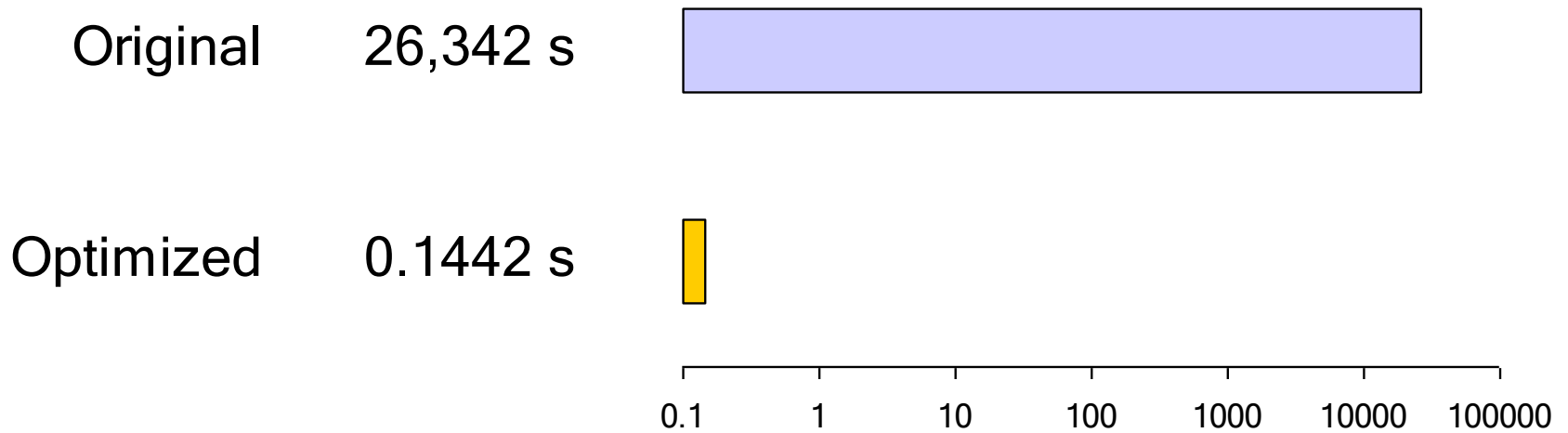
?X	rdf:type	ub:Student .
?Y	rdf:type	ub:Faculty .
?Z	rdf:type	ub:Course .
?X	ub:advisor	?Y .
?Y	ub:teacherOf	?Z .
?X	ub:takesCourse	?Z

Optimized

?Y	rdf:type	ub:Faculty .
?Y	ub:teacherOf	?Z .
?Z	rdf:type	ub:Course .
?X	ub:advisor	?Y .
?X	rdf:type	ub:Student .
?X	ub:takesCourse	?Z



Five Orders of Magnitude

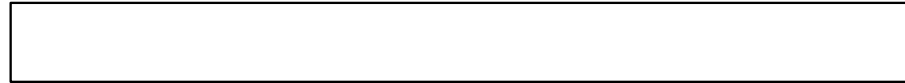


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Q2 LUBM Plan Space

Worst

720th



1,532,992 ms

Original

672nd



225,796 ms

Optimized

6th



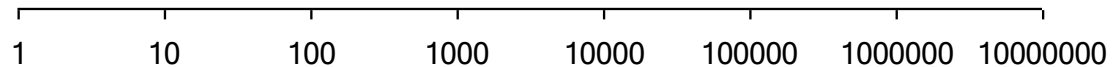
1.95 ms

Best

1st

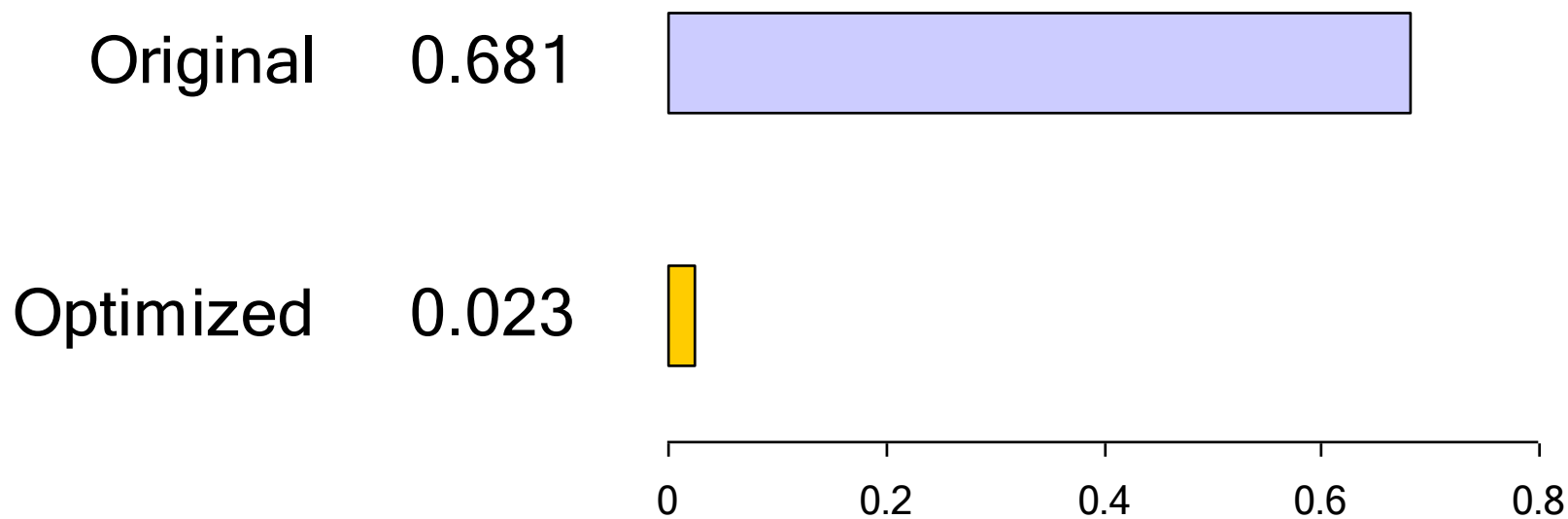


1.88 ms



672nd vs. 6th

Plan Distance



833 vs. 14

Limitations and Conclusions

Scaling, SPARQL syntax, Synthetic dataset

Near optimal plan

Thank you
Questions?



References

- [1] <http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/jena-dev/message/21436>
- [2] A. Kiryakov et al. Measurable Targets for Scalable Reasoning. Technical Report. Ontotext Lab, Sirma Group Corp. November 2007