GiAPA: Automatically Generated Optimization Hints for Programs Across All Jobs

GiAPA by iPerformance

Program Optimization Hint

System: MAINSERV 781X22C LPAR 021

40.8 hours of data collected starting 2022-11-04 at 00:43

Program used GOLCBZG/W9DOWYL

Validate transaction files received

Statement number 8

GiAPA detected API QUSROBJD was the active program in 3008 HotSpots

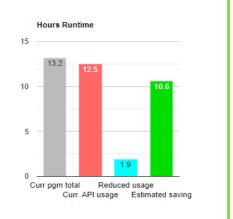
(OUSROBJD = API: RTV OBJ DESCRIPTION)

Job and user NTRDCPN RDCPNDAXBV

O66AKYRBH RDCPNDAXBV O20EBT RDCPNDAXBV

Estimated saving 85 % of QUSROBJD = 639 minutes run time

Effort required Probably between 3 and 6 hours programmer time (excl. test)



Technical explanation

APIs and CL commands provide many utility functions. Some are fairly resource intensive and repeated calls should be avoided.

Tips on how to optimize the performance

It is quite uncommon to see this API or CPP appear as the active program in several GiAPA HotSpots. We recommend investigating whether the call to this function is placed within a loop and accordingly executed e.g. once per record instead of only once in the beginning of the job. Many APIs/CPPs are fairly resource intensive since collection of the requested information requires accessing many objects. If called frequently it might improve performance to test if the API/CPP call parameters are unchanged compared to the previous call, and if so simply reuse the result. Another option is storing the parameters and results in an array so repeated calls can be replaced by a binary table look-up.

GiAPA: File Access Analyzed Across All Jobs Reveals Optimization Potential



File Access Optimization Hint

System: MAINSERV 781X22C LPAR 021

89.7 hours of data collected starting 2022-11-02 at 00:05

File accessed B.DAFAA/LJGW#3

LJGW#3 Product prices and descriptions table

Records in file 6,285

GiAPA detected 652,689,227 repeated reads used for only 5,706 records

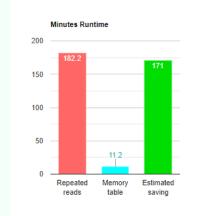
Job and user RPFAPIS KTPMBEDJ (3 jobs)

RPFAPIS KFBVVBXBS (3 jobs) RPFAPIS EJPOW (3 jobs)

(More job info shown by GiAPA Menu option 19, sel. 2)

Estimated saving 171 minutes run time (mainly CPU time)

Effort required Probably between 3 and 5 programmer hours (excl. test)



Technical explanation

Increase performance by avoiding reading the same records repeatedly. Keep such records in program work area or in a user index.

Tips on how to optimize the performance

Some tables/files with relatively few rows/records are used very heavily by several applications reading rows/records for each transactions processed. It is not uncommon to see records/rows being read more than a thousand times each by a job. Although the operating system automatically holds frequently used data in the main storage, quite some overhead remains connected with each access. Reading such records/rows into a program internal array and replacing the read with a binary lookup can provide significant CPU savings. An efficient alternativ is a user index, which also is a permanent object that can be saved. If only very few records are accessed, a simple test may be the solution: skip the reading if the record happens to be the last accessed.

Totals for estimated savings

Potential Savings Found by Automatic Analysis:

8 Improvements of File Access Methods

27 Improvements of program functions 2,435 Minutes

*** Total Potential Run Time Savings 45 Hours 12 Minutes

Data collection uses minimal disk space:

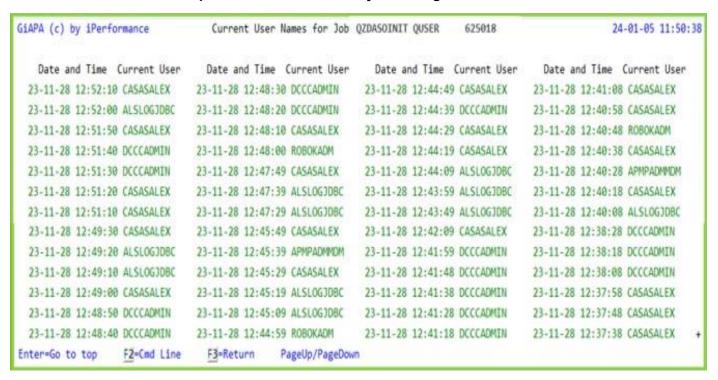
Data is compressed 92%.

277 Minutes

GiAPA: SQL Plan Cache data for user selected jobs is collected and pre-analyzed

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GiAPA (c) by
                                       Plan Cache Snapshots of SQL Access Plan Data
                                                                                                                 24-03-22
                         Selections specified: Job: TSTJOIN*
iPerformance
                                                                Start date/time: 24-03-21 00:00
                                                                                                                 09:54:58
                                               User: *ALL
                                                                End date/time: 99-12-31 23:59
Job Name User Name, JobNbr Run Date QRO(Hex) Nbr of SQL stmts SQL-Statement Library/SourceFile(Member)
TSTJOIN01 KAARE
                    126523 2024-03-21 A8D77AD7 2 SQL-stmt(s) from GIAPA SQL/QRPGLESRC(TSTSQLJOIR)
                                                                                                   213 bytes total length
  42 bytes: FETCH CURSOR1 INTO: H,: H,: H,: H
 171 bytes: DECLARE CURSOR1 CURSOR FOR SELECT LNNAME , CSJNAM , CSJSTA , CSTSTA FROM GIAPALIB . GIAPA143P5 , GIAPALIB . GIAPALIB . GIAPALIB .
WHERE GIAPA143P5 . LNRRN = GIAPA143P2 .
                                    CSACTPCKEY
                                     Text explaining Plan Cache
 Dumps available,
                                     "Access Plan Reason Code"
 last 3 are shown
▶11 Dumps
           2024-03-21 03:01 GIAPA_SQL/QZG0001464
                                                2024-03-21 02:51 GIAPA_SQL/QZG0001463
                                                                                      2024-03-21 02:41 GIAPA_SQL/QZG0001462
PlanNbr 274
               Table or member recreated.◀
                                                                                            Number and names of Plan
2 Table Scan
                1 AcPlan Rebuilt 1 Optim.Timeout
                                                    1 Generic Info
                                                                      1 Tmp.HashTabCrt◀
                                                                                            Cache records, indicating the
                                                                                            Optimizer's "considerations"
                                                                                            for selecting the access plan
  Alternative Access Plan(s) recorded for this QRO
  2 Dumps 2024-03-21 01:09 GIAPA SQL/QZG0001453
                                                2024-03-21 00:28 GIAPA SQL/QZG0001449
PlanNbr 1806
               Access plan was built to use a reusable Open Data Path (ODP) and optimizer chose a non-reusable ODP for this call
                                  2 Temp. Table
1 Index Used
                 3 Index Created
                                                    1 Table Locked
                                                                      1 AcPlan Rebuilt 1 Array HostVar
                                                                                                         1 Generic Info
3 Distin.Process 2 Grouping
                                  1 Recurs. TabExpr
  1 Dumps 2024-03-21 00:18 GIAPA_SQL/QZG0001448
PlanNbr 32551
               None of the 25 defined specific reasons for choice of access method apply in this case.
2 Table Scan
                 1 AcPlan Rebuilt 1 Optim.Timeout
                                                   1 Generic Info
                                                                      1 Tmp.HashTabCrt
                 Please observe that the results shown here only are random examples of texts that may appear.
Enter=Go to top
                                         F6=Show Current Users
                                                                PageUp/PageDown
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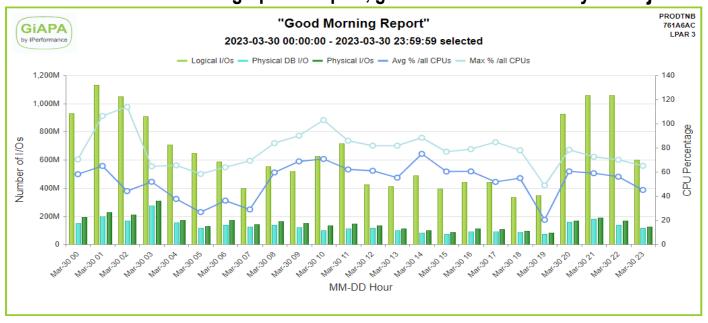
Shows Location of snapshots needed for analysis using IBM's SQL Performance Center

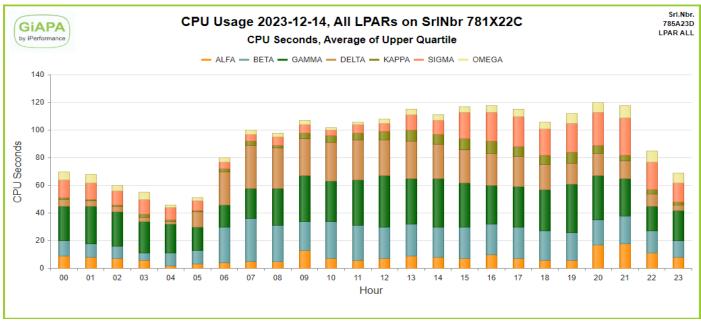


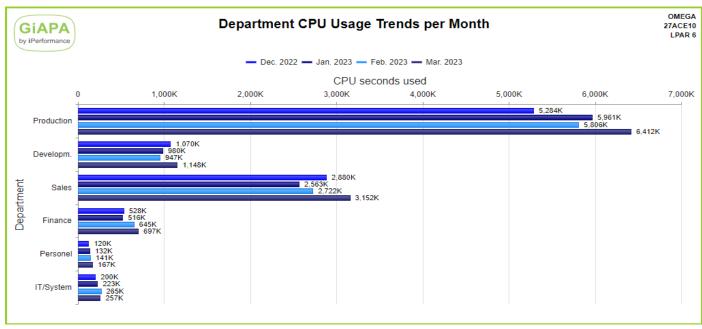
Current user names are valuable information when analyzing data base host server jobs

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Standard or user defined graph examples, generated and emailed by batch jobs







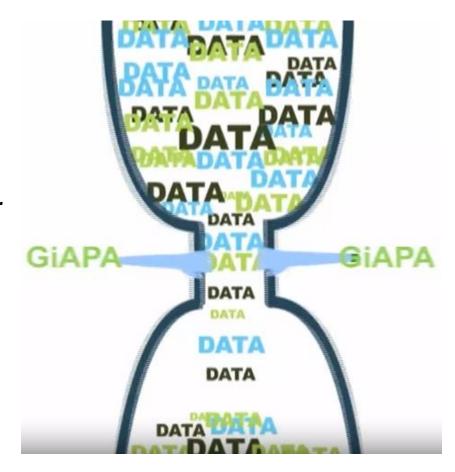
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GiAPA uses < 0.1 % CPU while collecting resource data for all jobs running – customers run GiAPA 24/7.

It will analyze all your applications, locate the bottlenecks, and show modifications needed to improve performance.



GiAPA typically detects substantial saving potentials in applications believed to run efficiently, because programs producing the correct results within a reasonable time never were performance analyzed.