

Sql Server Optimization And Performance Tuning

If you're a SQL Server DBA who wants to get proactive and organized with performance monitoring and tuning, then this book is for you. Written by a widely read DBA and SQL Server internals expert, Robin Schumacher offers real-world advice, an easy to follow performance strategy, and lots of SQL diagnostics scripts in a superb book that shows how to quickly diagnose and optimize SQL Server performance problems. Robin Schumacher has written the internals for some of the world's most powerful SQL Server performance software, and now he shows you how to make your database servers run as fast as possible.

Use this fast and complete guide to optimize the performance of MongoDB databases and the applications that depend on them. You will be able to turbo-charge the performance of your MongoDB applications to provide a better experience for your users, reduce your running costs, and avoid application growing pains. MongoDB is the world's most popular document database and the foundation for thousands of mission-critical applications. This book helps you get the best possible performance from MongoDB. MongoDB Performance Tuning takes a methodical and comprehensive approach to performance tuning that begins with application and schema design and goes on to cover optimization of code at all levels of an application. The book also explains how to configure MongoDB hardware and cluster configuration for optimal performance. The systematic approach in the book helps you treat the true causes of performance issues and get the best return on your tuning investment. Even when you're under pressure and don't know where to begin, simply follow the method in this book to set things right and get your MongoDB performance back on track. What You Will Learn Apply a methodical approach to MongoDB performance tuning Understand how to design an efficient MongoDB application Optimize MongoDB document design and indexing strategies Tune MongoDB queries, aggregation pipelines, and transactions Optimize MongoDB server resources: CPU, memory, disk Configure MongoDB Replica sets and Sharded clusters for optimal performance Who This Book Is For Developers and administrators of high-performance MongoDB applications who want to be sure they are getting the best possible performance from their MongoDB system. For developers who wish to create applications that are fast, scalable, and cost-effective. For administrators who want to optimize their MongoDB server and hardware configuration.

Pro SQL Server 2012 Practices is an anthology of high-end wisdom from a group of accomplished database administrators who are quietly but relentlessly pushing the performance and feature envelope of Microsoft SQL Server 2012. With an emphasis upon performance—but also branching into release management, auditing, and other issues—the book helps you deliver the most value for your company's investment in Microsoft's flagship database system. Goes beyond the manual to cover good techniques and best practices Delivers knowledge usually gained only by hard experience Focuses upon performance, scalability, reliability Helps achieve the predictability needed to be in control at all times

How can you bring out MySQL's full power? With High Performance MySQL, you'll learn advanced techniques for everything from designing schemas, indexes, and queries to tuning your MySQL server, operating system, and hardware to their fullest potential. This guide also teaches you safe and practical ways to scale applications through replication, load balancing, high availability, and failover. Updated to reflect recent advances in MySQL and InnoDB performance, features, and tools, this third edition not only offers specific examples of how MySQL works, it also teaches you why this system works a.

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This is not an ordinary SQL Server Book. SQL Server MVP Deep Dives brings together the world's most highly-regarded SQL Server experts to create a masterful collection of tips, techniques, and experience-driven best practices for SQL Server development and administration. These SQL Server MVPs-53 in all-each selected a topic of great interest to them, and in this unique book, they share their knowledge and passion with you. SQL Server MVP Deep Dives is organized into five parts: Design and Architecture, Development, Administration, Performance Tuning and Optimization, and Business Intelligence. Within each part, you'll find a collection of brilliantly concise and focused chapters that take on key topics like mobile data strategies, Dynamic Management Views, or query performance. The range of subjects covered is comprehensive, from database design tips to data profiling strategies for BI. Additionally, the authors of this book have generously donated 100% of their royalties to support War Child International. War Child International is a network of independent organizations, working across the world to help children affected by war. War Child was founded upon a fundamental goal: to advance the cause of peace through investing hope in the lives of children caught up in the horrors of war. War Child works in many different conflict areas around the world, helping hundreds of thousands of children every year. Visit www.warchild.org for more information. Purchase of the print book comes with an offer of a free PDF, ePub, and Kindle eBook from Manning. Also available is all code from the book.

The SQL Server Query Optimizer is perceived by many to be a magic black box, transforming SQL queries into high performance execution plans in the blink of an eye through some unknowable process. The truth is that, while the Query Optimizer is indeed the highly-complex result of decades of research, learning how it works its magic is not only possible, but immensely useful to DBAs and Developers alike. A better understanding of what the Query Optimizer does behind the scenes can help you to improve the performance of your databases and applications, and this book explains the core concepts behind how the SQL Server Query Optimizer works. With this knowledge, you'll be able to write superior queries, provide the Query Optimizer with all the information it needs to produce efficient execution plans, and troubleshoot the cases when the Query

Optimizer is not giving you the best plan possible. With over 15 years of experience in the use of Relational Databases (including SQL Server since version 6.5), Benjamin has watched the SQL Server Query Optimizer grow and evolve. His insight will leave you with an excellent foundation in the practicalities of the Query Optimizer, and everything you need to know to start tuning your queries to perfection.

Apply powerful window functions in T-SQL—and increase the performance and speed of your queries Optimize your queries—and obtain simple and elegant solutions to a variety of problems—using window functions in Transact-SQL. Led by T-SQL expert Itzik Ben-Gan, you'll learn how to apply calculations against sets of rows in a flexible, clear, and efficient manner. Ideal whether you're a database administrator or developer, this practical guide demonstrates ways to use more than a dozen T-SQL querying solutions to address common business tasks. Discover how to: Go beyond traditional query approaches to express set calculations more efficiently Delve into ordered set functions such as rank, distribution, and offset Implement hypothetical set and inverse distribution functions in standard SQL Use strategies for improving sequencing, paging, filtering, and pivoting Increase query speed using partitioning, ordering, and coverage indexing Apply new optimization iterators such as Window Spool Handle common issues such as running totals, intervals, medians, and gaps

Tackle the toughest set-based querying and query tuning problems—guided by an author team with in-depth, inside knowledge of T-SQL. Deepen your understanding of architecture and internals—and gain practical approaches and advanced techniques to optimize your code's performance. Discover how to: Move from procedural programming to the language of sets and logic Optimize query tuning with a top-down methodology Assess algorithmic complexity to predict performance Compare data-aggregation techniques, including new grouping sets Manage data modification—insert, delete, update, merge—for performance Write more efficient queries against partitioned tables Work with graphs, trees, hierarchies, and recursive queries Plus—Use pure-logic puzzles to sharpen your problem-solving skills

Effectively query and modify data using Transact-SQL Master T-SQL fundamentals and write robust code for Microsoft SQL Server and Azure SQL Database. Itzik Ben-Gan explains key T-SQL concepts and helps you apply your knowledge with hands-on exercises. The book first introduces T-SQL's roots and underlying logic. Next, it walks you through core topics such as single-table queries, joins, subqueries, table expressions, and set operators. Then the book covers more-advanced data-query topics such as window functions, pivoting, and grouping sets. The book also explains how to modify data, work with temporal tables, and handle transactions, and provides an overview of programmable objects. Microsoft Data Platform MVP Itzik Ben-Gan shows you how to: Review core SQL concepts and its mathematical roots Create tables and enforce data integrity Perform effective single-table queries by using the SELECT statement Query multiple tables by using joins, subqueries, table expressions, and set operators Use advanced query techniques such as window functions, pivoting, and grouping sets Insert, update, delete, and merge data Use transactions in a concurrent environment Get started with programmable objects—from variables and batches to user-defined functions, stored procedures, triggers, and dynamic SQL

Design and configure SQL Server instances and databases in support of high-throughput, mission-critical applications providing consistent response times in the face of variations in numbers of users and query volumes. In this new edition, with over 100 pages of additional content, every original chapter has been updated for SQL Server 2019, and the book also includes two new chapters covering SQL Server on Linux and Intelligent Query Processing. This book shows you how to configure SQL Server and design your databases to support a given instance and workload. You will learn advanced configuration options, in-memory technologies, storage and disk configuration, and more, all aimed toward enabling your desired application performance and throughput. Configuration doesn't stop with implementation. Workloads change over time, and other impediments can arise to thwart desired performance. High Performance SQL Server covers monitoring and troubleshooting to aid you in detecting and fixing production performance problems and minimizing application outages. You will learn about a variety of tools, ranging from the traditional wait analysis methodology to the query store or indexing, and you will learn how improving performance is an iterative process. This book is an excellent complement to query performance tuning books and provides the other half of what you need to know by focusing on configuring the instances on which mission-critical queries are executed. What You Will Learn Understand SQL Server's database engine and how it processes queries Configure instances in support of high-throughput applications Provide consistent response times to varying user numbers and query volumes Design databases for high-throughput applications with focus on performance Record performance baselines and monitor SQL Server instances against them Troubleshoot and fix performance problems Who This Book Is For SQL Server database administrators, developers, and data architects. The book is also of use to system administrators who are managing and are responsible for the physical servers on which SQL Server instances are run.

Beginning SQL Server 2012 Administration provides the essential skills and knowledge needed to begin a successful career as an SQL Server database administrator. It's an ideal book for those new to database administration, as well for those moving to SQL Server from other database brands such as Oracle and IBM DB2. SQL Server is more than just a database. It's situated within a larger context that includes solutions for reporting, for integrating data from other systems, for business intelligence and analysis, and more. Beginning SQL Server 2012

Administration paints the big picture to help you understand SQL Server's place in the grand scheme. Then you'll move into the nuts and bolts of installing the product, learning the management tools at your disposal, creating your first database, and maintaining that database in an ongoing state of readiness. Beginning SQL Server 2012 Administration goes beyond teaching just the core competencies of effective database administration. You will also learn the latest trends in SQL Server such as virtualizing and consolidating of servers, and using SQL Server in the cloud as a service. Administrators experienced on other platforms will find insight from comparisons of key features between SQL Server and other platforms. Beginning SQL Server 2012 Administration lays an excellent foundation for success as an SQL Server database administrator. Provides the essentials of successful SQL Server administration Covers the latest trends such as virtualization and cloud computing Paints the big picture of Microsoft's data platform

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performance problems. The book is revised to cover the very latest in performance optimization features and techniques. It is current with SQL Server 2012. It provides the tools you need to approach your queries with performance in mind. SQL Server 2012 Query Performance Tuning leads you through understanding the causes of poor performance, how to identify them, and how to fix them. You'll learn to be proactive in establishing performance baselines using tools like Performance Monitor and Extended Events. You'll learn to recognize bottlenecks and defuse them before the phone rings. You'll learn some quick solutions too, but emphasis is on designing for performance and getting it right, and upon heading off trouble before it occurs. Delight your users. Silence that ringing phone. Put the principles and lessons from SQL Server 2012 Query Performance Tuning into practice today. Establish performance baselines and monitor against them Troubleshoot and eliminate bottlenecks that frustrate users Plan ahead to achieve the right level of performance

Build smarter and efficient database application systems for your organization with SQL Server 2017 Key Features Build database applications by using the development features of SQL Server 2017 Work with temporal tables to get information stored in a table at any time Use adaptive querying to enhance the performance of your queries Book Description Microsoft SQL Server 2017 is the next big step in the data platform history of Microsoft as it brings in the power of R and Python for machine learning and containerization-based deployment on Windows and Linux. Compared to its predecessor, SQL Server 2017 has evolved into Machine Learning with R services for statistical analysis and Python packages for analytical processing. This book prepares you for more advanced topics by starting with a quick introduction to SQL Server 2017's new features and a recapitulation of the possibilities you may have already explored with previous versions of SQL Server. The next part introduces you to enhancements in the Transact-SQL language and new database engine capabilities and then switches to a completely new technology inside SQL Server: JSON support. We also take a look at the Stretch database, security enhancements, and temporal tables. Furthermore, the book focuses on implementing advanced topics, including Query Store, columnstore indexes, and In-Memory OLTP. Towards the end of the book, you'll be introduced to R and how to use the R language with Transact-SQL for data exploration and analysis. You'll also learn to integrate Python code in SQL Server and graph database implementations along with deployment options on Linux and SQL Server in containers for development and testing. By the end of this book, you will have the required information to design efficient, high-performance database applications without any hassle. What you will learn Explore the new development features introduced in SQL Server 2017 Identify opportunities for In-Memory OLTP technology Use columnstore indexes to get storage and performance improvements Exchange JSON data between applications and SQL Server Use the new security features to encrypt or mask the data Control the access to the data on the row levels Discover the potential of R and Python integration Model complex relationships with the graph databases in SQL Server 2017 Who this book is for Database developers and solution architects looking to design efficient database applications using SQL Server 2017 will find this book very useful. In addition, this book will be valuable to advanced analysis practitioners and business intelligence developers. Database consultants dealing with performance tuning will get a lot of useful information from this book as well. Some basic understanding of database concepts and T-SQL is required to get the best out of this book.

Over 80 recipes to help you tune SQL Server 2012 and achieve optimal performance.

Offers tips for improving the performance of any SQL database, no matter what the platform. Written for experienced database administrators familiar with SQL, the book identifies the similarities and differences of eight DBMSs, including Oracle 9i, IBM DB2 7.2, and Microsoft SQL server 2000. It provides strategies for refining sorts, subqueries, columns, tables, indexes, constraints, and locks. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

* A completely revised edition of a book that is highly-regarded in the community (as evidenced by Amazon reviews and other customer feedback). * The only comprehensive, practical guide to performance optimization techniques for SQL Server applications. * Essential reading for any DBA or developer responsible for the eprformance of an exisiting SQL Server system, or the design of a new one.

This new edition of the bestselling guide to a critical SQL server task teaches tools, techniques, and best practices readers can use to tune SQL Server 2000's configuration and operation, and learn how to enhance performance through good physical design, effective internal storage structures, and controlling SQL Server's new query optimizer.

SQL Server 2008 Query Performance Tuning Distilled presents a direct trouble-shooting methodology for identifying poorly-performing stored procedures and queries, isolating the causes of that poor performance, and fixing the underlying problems. Each chapter is dedicated to one of the top causes of poorly performing queries and shows methods for identifying and dealing with the problems in that chapter's domain. Emphasis is always put upon or placed upon practical methods that you can put to immediate use in your day-to-day work. SQL Server 2008 functionality, tips, and tricks are emphasized in each subject area. Emphasizes the practical. Does not bury readers in theory. Gives readers practical techniques to immediately apply in their daily work. Dedicates a chapter to each of the most common, performance-related problem areas.

The purpose of this book is to make aware about what probable causes are & how to troubleshoot when we face any kind of SQL Server database performance issues.

Performance tuning means to optimize the performance of SQL Server/ database/ instance by adjusting/ identifying the various bottlenecks causing degradation in database. If SQL Server instance/ database is not properly tuned or optimized, obviously we will face issues like slowness, bad performance of database which relatively affect performance of related application as well. So it's quite mandatory to have your database or SQL Server instance properly tuned to perform optimally. Whenever there is any database/ SQL Server performance issues, there might be various parameters/ factors included which might cause database/ SQL Server performance degradation.

SQL in a Nutshell applies the eminently useful "Nutshell" format to Structured Query Language (SQL), the elegant--but complex--descriptive language that is used to create and manipulate large stores of data. For SQL programmers, analysts, and database administrators, the new second edition of SQL in a Nutshell is the essential date language reference for the world's top SQL database products. SQL in a Nutshell is a lean, focused, and thoroughly comprehensive reference for those who live in a deadline-driven world. This invaluable desktop quick reference drills down and documents every SQL command and how to use it in both commercial (Oracle, DB2, and Microsoft SQL Server)

and open source implementations (PostgreSQL, and MySQL). It describes every command and reference and includes the command syntax (by vendor, if the syntax differs across implementations), a clear description, and practical examples that illustrate important concepts and uses. And it also explains how the leading commercial and open sources database product implement SQL. This wealth of information is packed into a succinct, comprehensive, and extraordinarily easy-to-use format that covers the SQL syntax of no less than 4 different databases. When you need fast, accurate, detailed, and up-to-date SQL information, SQL in a Nutshell, Second Edition will be the quick reference you'll reach for every time. SQL in a Nutshell is small enough to keep by your keyboard, and concise (as well as clearly organized) enough that you can look up the syntax you need quickly without having to wade through a lot of useless fluff. You won't want to work on a project involving SQL without it.

This text offers a detailed look at Sybase SQL Server Performance Tuning and a sneak peek at Sybase System 11 performance features. It compares and contrasts all recent major releases of Sybase SQL Server

Design and write simple and efficient T-SQL code in SQL Server 2019 and beyond. Writing T-SQL that pulls back correct results can be challenging. This book provides the help you need in writing T-SQL that performs fast and is easy to maintain. You also will learn how to implement version control, testing, and deployment strategies. Hands-on examples show modern T-SQL practices and provide straightforward explanations. Attention is given to selecting the right data types and objects when designing T-SQL solutions. Author Elizabeth Noble teaches you how to improve your T-SQL performance through good design practices that benefit programmers and ultimately the users of the applications. You will know the common pitfalls of writing T-SQL and how to avoid those pitfalls going forward. What You Will Learn Choose correct data types and database objects when designing T-SQL Write T-SQL that searches data efficiently and uses hardware effectively Implement source control and testing methods to streamline the deployment process Design T-SQL that can be enhanced or modified with less effort Plan for long-term data management and storage Who This Book Is For Database developers who want to improve the efficiency of their applications, and developers who want to solve complex query and data problems more easily by writing T-SQL that performs well, brings back correct results, and is easy for other developers to understand and maintain

Execution plans show you what's going on behind the scenes in SQL Server. They can provide you with a wealth of information on how your queries are being executed by SQL Server, including: Which indexes are being used, and where no indexes are being used at all. How the data is being retrieved, and joined, from the tables defined in your query. How aggregations in GROUP BY queries are put together. The anticipated load and the estimated cost that all these operations place upon the system. Grant Fritchey's book is the only in-depth look at how to improve your SQL query performance through careful design of execution plans. Sample chapters of the ebook have garnered stunning reviews, such as: "All I can say is WOW. This has to be the best reference I have ever seen on Execution Plans in SQL Server. My hats off to Grant Fritchey" Jonathan Kehayias.

High Performance MySQL is the definitive guide to building fast, reliable systems with MySQL. Written by noted experts with years of real-world experience building very large systems, this book covers every aspect of MySQL performance in detail, and focuses on robustness, security, and data integrity. High Performance MySQL teaches you advanced techniques in depth so you can bring out MySQL's full power. Learn how to design schemas, indexes, queries and advanced MySQL features for maximum performance, and get detailed guidance for tuning your MySQL server, operating system, and hardware to their fullest potential. You'll also learn practical, safe, high-performance ways to scale your applications with replication, load balancing, high availability, and failover. This second edition is completely revised and greatly expanded, with deeper coverage in all areas. Major additions include: Emphasis throughout on both performance and reliability Thorough coverage of storage engines, including in-depth tuning and optimizations for the InnoDB storage engine Effects of new features in MySQL 5.0 and 5.1, including stored procedures, partitioned databases, triggers, and views A detailed discussion on how to build very large, highly scalable systems with MySQL New options for backups and replication Optimization of advanced querying features, such as full-text searches Four new appendices The book also includes chapters on benchmarking, profiling, backups, security, and tools and techniques to help you measure, monitor, and manage your MySQL installations.

If a query is performing poorly, and you can't understand why, then that query's execution plan will tell you not only what data set is coming back, but also what SQL Server did, and in what order, to get that data. It will reveal how the data was retrieved, and from which tables and indexes, what types of joins were used, at what point filtering, sorting and aggregation occurred, and a whole lot more. These details will often highlight the likely source of any problem. I wrote this book with the singular goal of teaching you how to read SQL Server Execution plans It will explain, among many other things, the following: How to capture execution plans using manual and automatic methods A documented method for reading and interpreting execution plans How common SQL Server objects, such as indexes, views, stored procedures, and so on, appear in execution plans How to control execution plans with hints and plan guides, and why this is a double-edged sword How the Query Store works with, and collects data on, execution plans With this knowledge, you'll have everything you need to read the execution plan, for any query of your own, regardless of complexity, and understand what it does and what is causing the bad performance. It is still your job to work out how best to fix it, but your new understanding of execution plans will give a much better chance of success!

Optimize Microsoft SQL Server 2014 queries and applications Microsoft SQL Server 2014 Query Tuning & Optimization is filled with ready-to-use techniques for creating high-performance queries and applications. The book describes the inner workings of the query processor so you can write better queries and provide the query processor with the quality information it needs to produce efficient execution plans. You'll also get tips for troubleshooting underperforming queries. In-Memory OLTP (Hekaton), a key new feature

of SQL Server 2014, is fully covered in this practical guide. Understand how the query optimizer works Troubleshoot queries using extended events, SQL trace, dynamic management views (DMVs), the data collector, and other tools Work with query operators for data access, joins, aggregations, parallelism, and updates Speed up queries and dramatically improve application performance by creating the right indexes Understand statistics and how to detect and fix cardinality estimation errors Maximize OLTP query performance using In-Memory OLTP (Hekaton) features, including memory-optimized tables and natively compiled stored procedures Monitor and promote plan caching and reuse to improve application performance Improve the performance of data warehouse queries using columnstore indexes Handle query processor limitations with hints and other methods

Database professionals will find that this new edition aids in mastering the latest version of Microsoft's SQL Server. Developers and database administrators (DBAs) use SQL on a daily basis in application development and the subsequent problem solving and fine tuning. Answers to SQL issues can be quickly located helping the DBA or developer optimize and tune a database to maximum efficiency. Basic questions are easily located on the topics of filtering, sorting, operators, conditionals, pseudo columns, single row functions, joins, grouping functions, sub queries, composite queries, hierarchies, flashback queries, parallel queries, expressions and regular expressions. Assistance on DML, data types (including collections), XML, DDL for basic database objects such as tables, views and indexes, partitioning, and security is also considered. * Identifies and discusses the most common issues database administrators (DBAs) face day-to-day *Provides DBAs with solutions actually used by the authors in enterprise environments *Explores new features which add more control but reduce performance

Reflecting the latest trends and developments from the information security field, best-selling Security+ Guide to Network Security Fundamentals, Fourth Edition, provides a complete introduction to practical network and computer security and maps to the CompTIA Security+ SY0-301 Certification Exam. The text covers the fundamentals of network security, including compliance and operational security; threats and vulnerabilities; application, data, and host security; access control and identity management; and cryptography. The updated edition includes new topics, such as psychological approaches to social engineering attacks, Web application attacks, penetration testing, data loss prevention, cloud computing security, and application programming development security. The new edition features activities that link to the Information Security Community Site, which offers video lectures, podcats, discussion boards, additional hands-on activities and more to provide a wealth of resources and up-to-the minute information. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Gain an in depth view of optimizing the performance of BizTalk Server. This book provides best practices and techniques for improving development of high mission critical solutions. You'll see how the BizTalk Server engine works and how to proactively detect and remedy potential bottlenecks before they occur. The book starts with an overview of the BizTalk Server internal mechanisms that will help you understand the optimizations detailed throughout the book. You'll then see how the mechanisms can be applied to a BizTalk Server environment to improve low and high latency throughput scenarios. A section on testing BizTalk server solutions will guide you through the most frequently adopted techniques used to develop solutions such as performance and unit testing as part of the development cycle. With BizTalk Server 2016 you'll see how to apply side-by-side versioning to your solutions to reduce the chances of downtime, You'll also review instrumentation techniques using Event Traces for windows and business activity monitoring (BAM). While the book is focused on the latest version of BizTalk Server, most of the topics discussed will also work with BizTalk Server 2013R2. What You'll Learn Review BizTalk Server internals and how the message engine works Understand BizTalk Server architecture Gather and analyze BizTalk Server performance data Develop BizTalk Server performance solutions Use advanced troubleshooting tools to help diagnose your platform Who This Book Is For Those who have strong BizTalk and .NET Framework knowledge and want to get their BizTalk Server knowledge to the next level

Identify and fix causes of poor performance. You will learn Query Store, adaptive execution plans, and automated tuning on the Microsoft Azure SQL Database platform. Anyone responsible for writing or creating T-SQL queries will find valuable the insight into bottlenecks, including how to recognize them and eliminate them. This book covers the latest in performance optimization features and techniques and is current with SQL Server 2017. If your queries are not running fast enough and you're tired of phone calls from frustrated users, then this book is the answer to your performance problems. SQL Server 2017 Query Performance Tuning is about more than quick tips and fixes. You'll learn to be proactive in establishing performance baselines using tools such as Performance Monitor and Extended Events. You'll recognize bottlenecks and defuse them before the phone rings. You'll learn some quick solutions too, but emphasis is on designing for performance and getting it right. The goal is to head off trouble before it occurs. What You'll Learn Use Query Store to understand and easily change query performance Recognize and eliminate bottlenecks leading to slow performance Deploy quick fixes when needed, following up with long-term solutions Implement best practices in T-SQL to minimize performance risk Design in the performance that you need through careful query and index design Utilize the latest performance optimization features in SQL Server 2017 Protect query performance during upgrades to the newer versions of SQL Server Who This Book Is For Developers and database administrators with responsibility for application performance in SQL Server environments. Anyone responsible for writing or creating T-SQL queries will find valuable the insight into bottlenecks, including how to recognize them and eliminate them.

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T-SQL insiders help you tackle your toughest queries and query-tuning problems Squeeze maximum performance and efficiency from every T-SQL query you write or tune. Four leading experts take an in-depth look at T-SQL's internal architecture and offer advanced practical techniques for optimizing response time and resource usage. Emphasizing a correct understanding of the language and its foundations, the authors present unique solutions they have spent years developing and refining. All code and techniques are fully updated to reflect new T-SQL enhancements in Microsoft SQL Server 2014 and SQL Server 2012. Write faster, more efficient T-SQL code: Move from procedural programming to the language of sets and logic Master an efficient top-down tuning methodology Assess algorithmic complexity to predict performance Compare data aggregation techniques, including new grouping sets Efficiently perform data-analysis calculations Make the most of T-SQL's optimized bulk import tools Avoid date/time pitfalls that lead to buggy, poorly performing code Create optimized BI statistical queries without additional software Use programmable objects to accelerate queries Unlock major performance improvements with In-Memory OLTP Master useful and elegant approaches to manipulating graphs About This Book For experienced T-SQL practitioners Includes coverage updated from Inside Microsoft SQL Server 2008 T-SQL Querying and Inside Microsoft SQL Server 2008 T-SQL Programming Valuable to developers, DBAs, BI professionals, and data scientists Covers many MCSE 70-464 and MCSA/MCSE 70-461 exam topics

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"Congratulations! You are going to WIN your next SQL Server interview. "SQL The One" book can guide you to achieve the success in your next interview. This book covers Microsoft SQL Server interview experiences, questions and answers for a range of SQL DBA's and SQL Server Professionals. All of these questions have been collected from the people who attended interviews at various multinational companies across the world. It also covers "How to prepare for a SQL DBA interview?" and "How to become an expert in your career?" Salient Features of Book All interview questions are asked in various MNC Covers 1090 real time questions and answers 254 questions on SQL Server Performance Tuning Covers all SQL Server HA & DR features 316 questions on SQL Server HA & DR features Lots of scenario based questions Covers SQL Server 2005, 2008, 2008 R2, 2012, 2014 and 2016 Questions are categorized In-depth explanations An Interview Experience with Microsoft Useful as a reference guide for SQL DBA Interview preparation

A poorly performing database application not only costs users time, but also has an impact on other applications running on the same computer or the same network. SQL Tuning provides an essential next step for SQL developers and database administrators who want to extend their SQL tuning expertise and get the most from their database applications. There are two basic issues to focus on when tuning SQL: how to find and interpret the execution plan of an SQL statement and how to change SQL to get a specific alternate execution plan. SQL Tuning provides answers to these questions and addresses a third issue that's even more important: how to find the optimal execution plan for the query to use. Author Dan Tow outlines a timesaving method he's developed for finding the optimum execution plan--rapidly and systematically--regardless of the complexity of the SQL or the database platform being used. You'll learn how to understand and control SQL execution plans and how to diagram SQL queries to deduce the best execution plan

for a query. Key chapters in the book include exercises to reinforce the concepts you've learned. SQL Tuning concludes by addressing special concerns and unique solutions to "unsolvable problems." Whether you are a programmer who develops SQL-based applications or a database administrator or other who troubleshoots poorly tuned applications, SQL Tuning will arm you with a reliable and deterministic method for tuning your SQL queries to gain optimal performance.

This book is a deep dive into perhaps the single-most important facet of good performance: indexes, and how to best use them. The book begins in the shallow waters with explanations of the types of indexes and how they are stored in databases. Moving deeper into the topic, and further into the book, you will look at the statistics that are accumulated both by indexes and on indexes. You'll better understand what indexes are doing in the database and what can be done to mitigate and improve their effect on performance. The final destination is a guided tour through a number of real life scenarios showing approaches you can take to investigate, mitigate, and improve the performance of your database. Defines the types of indexes and their implementation options Provides use cases and common patterns in applying indexing Describes and explain the index metadata and statistics Provides a framework of strategies and approaches for indexing databases

Dynamic Management Views (DMVs) are a significant and valuable addition to the DBA's troubleshooting armory, laying bare previously unavailable information regarding the under-the-covers activity of your database sessions and transactions. Why, then, aren't all DBAs using them? Why do many DBAs continue to ignore them in favour of "tried and trusted" tools such as sp_who2, DBCC OPENTRAN, and so on, or make do with the "ready made" reports built into SSMS? Why do even those that do use the DMVs speak wistfully about "good old sysprocesses"? There seem to be two main factors at work. Firstly, some DBAs are simply unaware of the depth and breadth of the information that is available from the DMVs, or how it might help them troubleshoot common issues. This book investigates all of the DMVs that are most frequently useful to the DBA in investigating query execution, index usage, session and transaction activity, disk IO, and how SQL Server is using or abusing the operating system. Secondly, the DMVs have a reputation of being difficult to use. In the process of exposing as much useful data as possible, sysprocesses has been de-normalized, and many new views and columns have been added. This fact, coupled with the initially-baffling choices of what columns will be exposed where, has lead to some DBAs to liken querying DMVs to "collecting mystic spells." In fact, however, once you start to write your own scripts, you'll see the same tricks, and similar join patterns, being used time and again. As such, a relatively small core set of scripts can be readily adapted to suit any requirement. This book is here to de-mystify the process of collecting the information you need to troubleshoot SQL Server problems. It will highlight the core techniques and "patterns" that you need to master, and will provide a core set of scripts that you can use and adapt for your own systems, including how to: * Root out the queries that are causing memory or CPU pressure on your system * Investigate caching, and query plan reuse * Identify index usage patterns * Track fragmentation in clustered indexes and heaps * Get full details on blocking and blocked transactions, including the exact commands being executed, and by whom. * Find out where SQL Server is spending time waiting for resources to be released, before proceeding * Monitor usage and growth of tempdb The DMVs don't make existing, built-in, performance tools obsolete. On the contrary, they complement these tools, and offer a flexibility, richness and granularity that are simply not available elsewhere. Furthermore, you don't need to master a new GUI, or a new language in order to use them; it's all done in a language all DBAs know and mostly love: T-SQL.

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