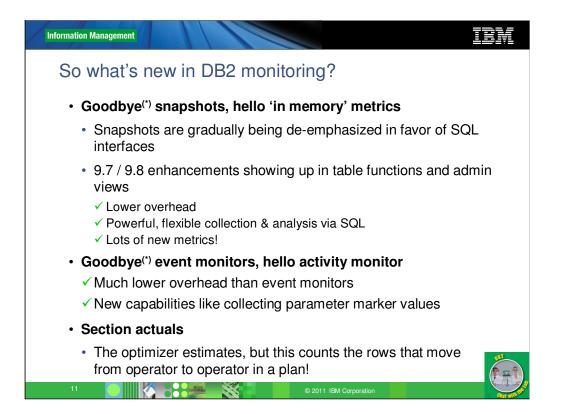
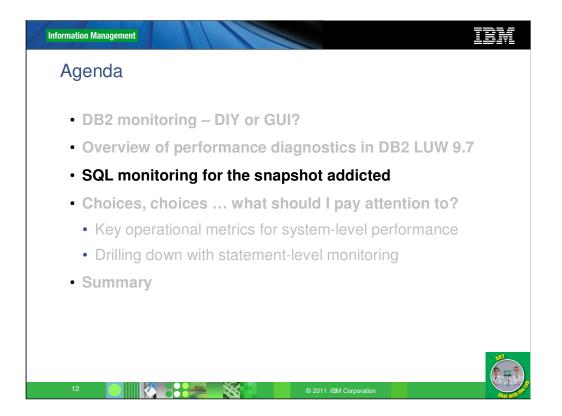
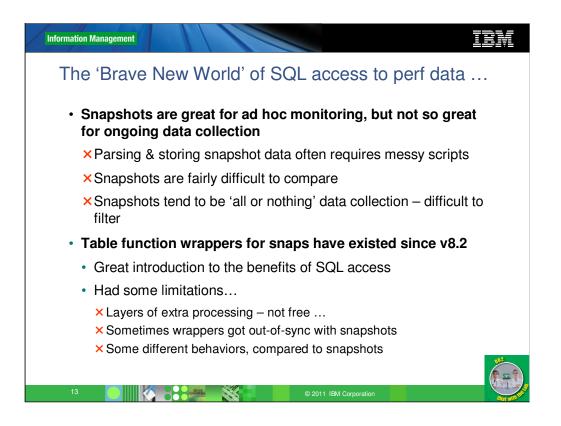


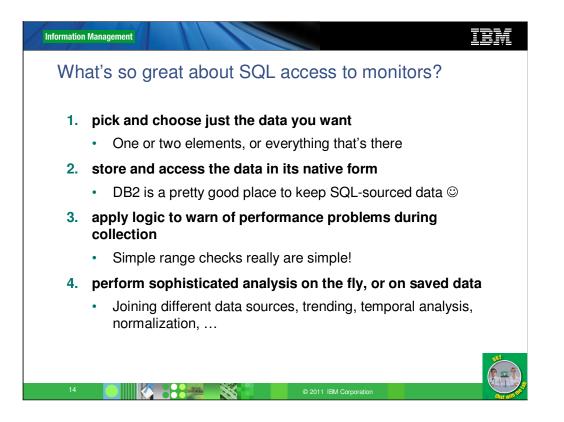
Point-in-time monitoring is the new term for what we used to think of as 'snapshot' monitoring.

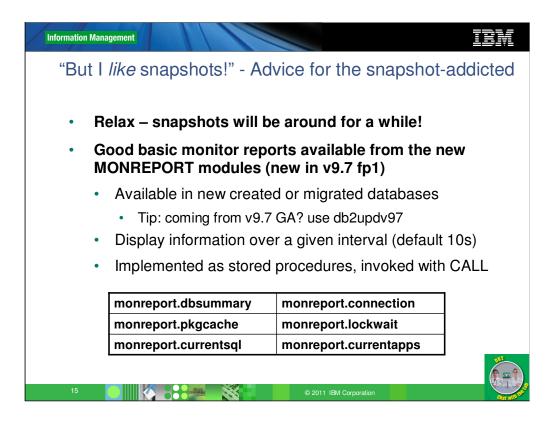


'In-memory' metrics is how many of the new DB2 9.7 monitors are described – meaning that the metrics are retrieved directly & efficiently from in-memory locations, rather than having to be maintained and accessed in more expensive ways – as the snapshots were.









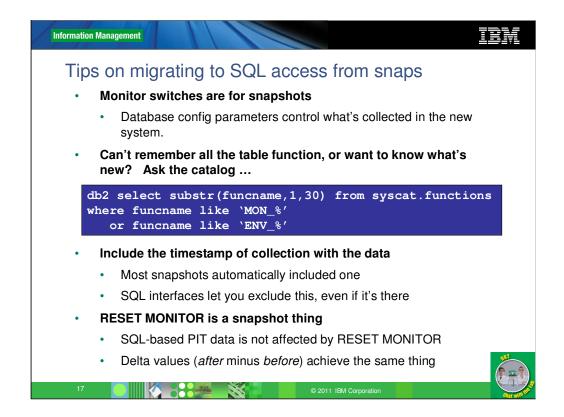
The monreport modules can be a very handy way of getting textbased reports of monitor values

monreport.dbsummary - Commits/s, wait & processing time summary, bufferpool stats, etc.

monreport.pkgcache - Top-10 SQL by CPU, IO, etc.

The others are fairly self-explanatory.

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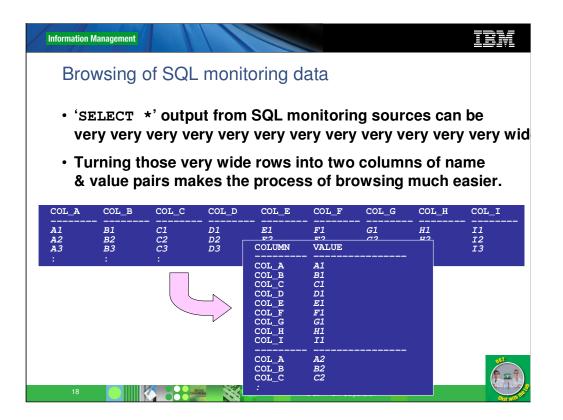


Things like 'update monitor switches', and the settings of instance-level defaults like DFT_MON_BUFFERPOOL, are only for snapshots, and don't effect what's collected in the new PIT monitoring.

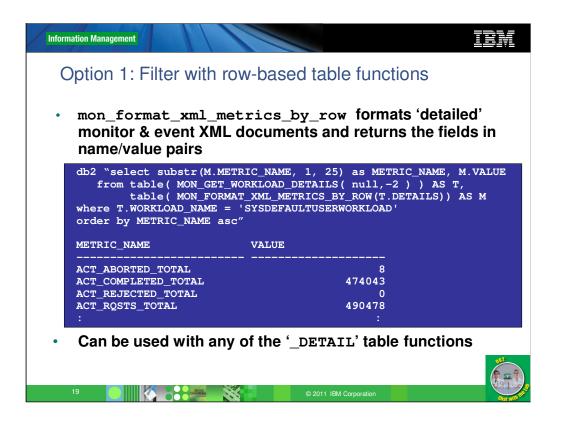
The new PIT monitoring interfaces are controlled by 3 dynamicallychangeable db config switches

Request metrics	(MON_REQ_METRICS) = BASE
Activity metrics	(MON_ACT_METRICS) = BASE
Object metrics	(MON_OBJ_METRICS) = BASE

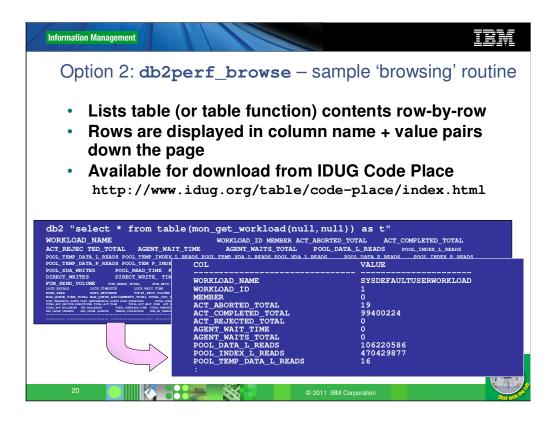
They can be set to NONE – which provides very little data, or BASE, which is the default and is generally adequate.



The sheer width of the new SQL monitoring data can be a little discouraging, if you're used to being able to page down through a snapshot.



MON_GET_CONNECTION_DETAILS MON_GET_SERVICE_SUBCLASS_DETAILS MON_GET_UNIT_OF_WORK_DETAILS MON_GET_WORKLOAD_DETAILS

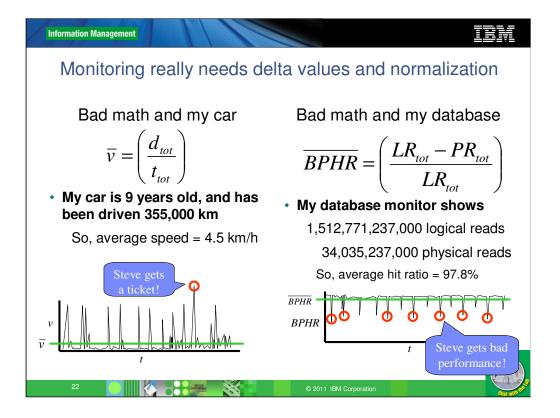


This is a very useful little tool. It comes as a SQL stored procedure which can be downloaded from IDUG Code Place (search for db2perf_browse.)

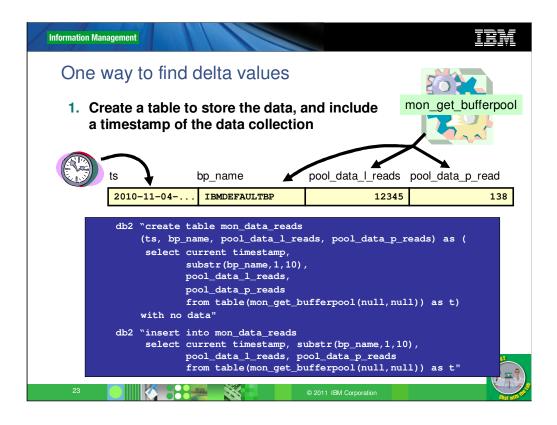
- 1. Run the CLP script to create the stored procedure db2 --td@ -f db2perf_browse.db2
- Call db2perf browse to see column names & values of any table displayed in name/value pairs down the screen e.g. db2 "call db2perf_browse('mon_get_workload(null,-2)')"

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This page just shows what a full-size 'browse' on mon_get_pkg_cache_stmt looks like.



Unless we get 'delta' values when we monitor, we're looking at what could be a very very long average – which might miss all the interesting intermittent stuff!

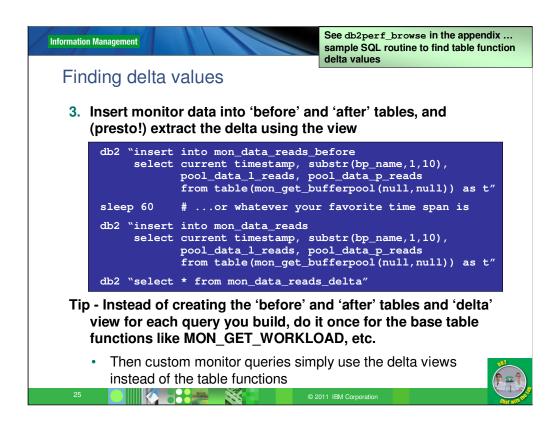


Because we're running in the database itself when we collect data, we can easily take a few steps to collect delta values instead of the usual 'unresettable' values we get from the table functions.

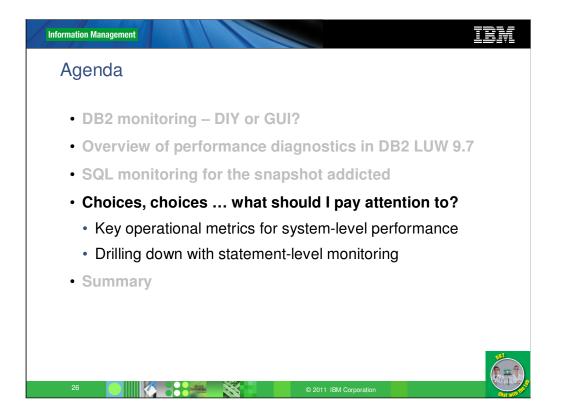
Basically, the idea is to bring samples of the monitor data into two tables. Note that we use CREATE .. AS to get the template table definition, and we include CURRENT TIMESTAMP to be able to tell when the data was collected

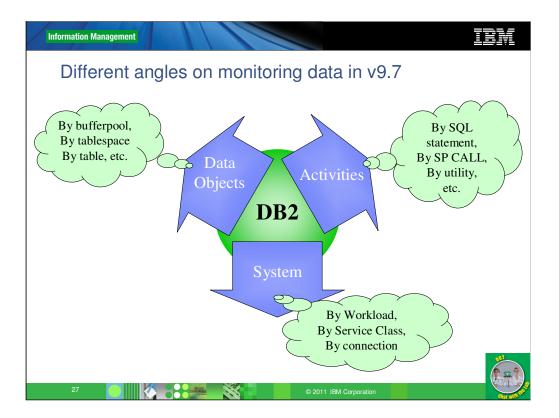
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Finding delta values					
 Use a view defined over 'before' and 'after' tables to find the delta between collections 					
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Before:	33.17.020	IBMDEFAULTBP	12345	138	
сору	gives	gives	gives	gives	
Delta: .34.19.10	62.08	IBMDEFAULTBP	5544	64	
<pre>db2 "create table mon_data_reads_before like mon_data_reads" db2 "create view mon_data_reads_delta as select after.ts as time, after.ts - before.ts as delta, after.bp_name as bp_name, after.pool_data_l_reads - before.pool_data_l_reads as pool_data_l_reads as after, mon_data_reads_before as before, where after.bp_name = before.bp_name"</pre>					
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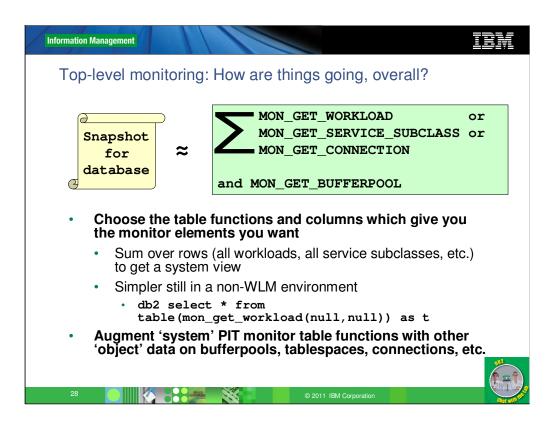
The basic principle here is that for numeric columns, we subtract the 'Before' values from the 'After' values – based on the assumption that numerics are generally counters or times that increase in most cases. Even if they stay the same or decrease, it's still reasonable to calculate a delta in this way. For non-numeric columns, we simply use the 'After' value, to show the latest data.



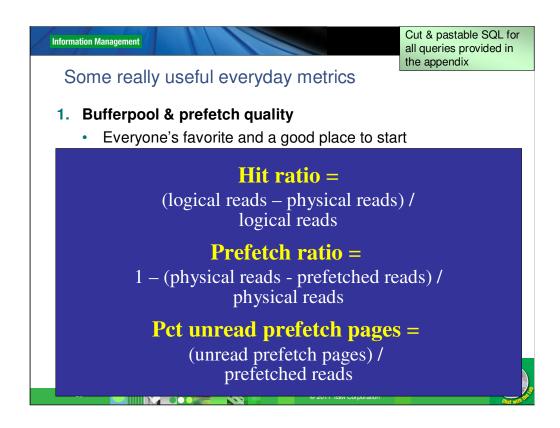
Once we have the view over 'After' minus 'Before', all we need to do is insert data into them (with an appropriate delay between), and we automatically get the delta.

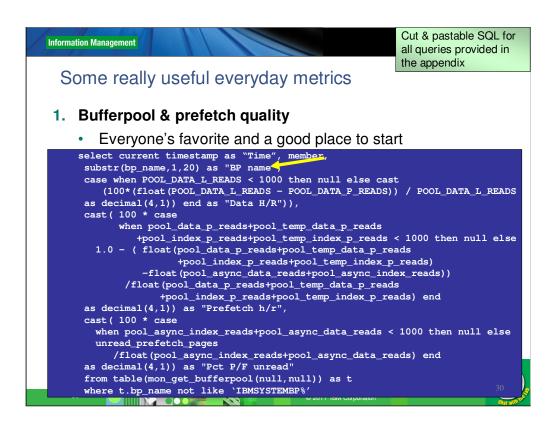






If you're used to something like a 'Snapshot for database' in previous levels of DB2, you can obtain the same information by aggregating over the rows in *either* mon_get_workload *or* mon_get_service_subclass, *or* mon_get_connection. Plus ... mon_get_bufferpool, which provides the remaining few bits of information that you could get from a snapshot.



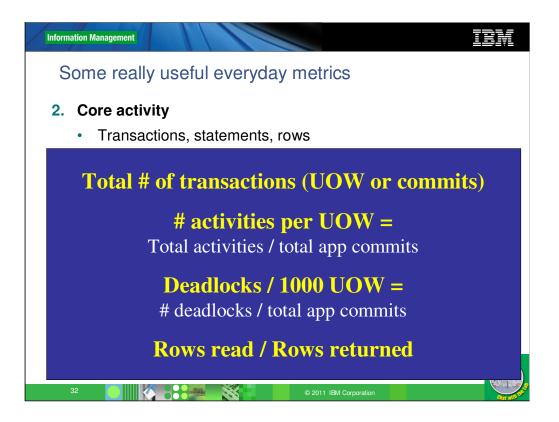


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Some really useful everyday metrics					
1. Bufferpool & prefetch quality cont'd					
Query notes					
 Tip - timestamp included in each record CASE used to avoid divide-by-zero, and filter out trivial cases Index, temp and XML data for hit ratios also available (full SQL in the appendix) We exclude IBMSYSTEMBP bufferpools to reduce clutter Many of the same elements available in MON_GET_TABLESPACE ('object' dimension) and MON_GET_WORKLOAD ('system' dimension) 					
Desired ranges					
Transactional systems	Complex query systems				
Data HR: 75-90% good; 90%+ great	Temp Data HR: 70-90% good; 90%+ great				
Index HR: 80-95% good; 95%+ great	Temp Index HR: 80-90% good; 90%+ great				
Prefetch ratio: expect to be very low	Prefetch ratio: 85-95% good; 95%+ great				
Unread prefetch: N/A	Unread prefetch: 3-5% or less				
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Regarding trivial cases – it makes sense to avoid reporting calculated hit ratios, etc., when the numbers involved are too low to be significant. For example, with 4 logical reads and 2 physical reads, we have a hit ratio of 50%. This is low! But do we panic? No! Because the amount of expensive physical reads here is too low to be a problem.

Note that we make a distinction for transaction & complex query systems. Transactional systems can potentially have very good hit ratios, so on that side we're looking for high regular data & index hit ratios. Complex query systems often have poor hit ratios, because the data is moving through the bufferpool & may not be reread. Likewise for index pages (although they're somewhat less likely to be only read once & then leave the bufferpool.) More interesting on the complex query side is the hit ratio on temporary data and index, so we set our targets on that instead.

Note that these are just guidelines. Many systems exhibit aspects of both transaction & complex query behavior, and so we might have to blend the targets accordingly.

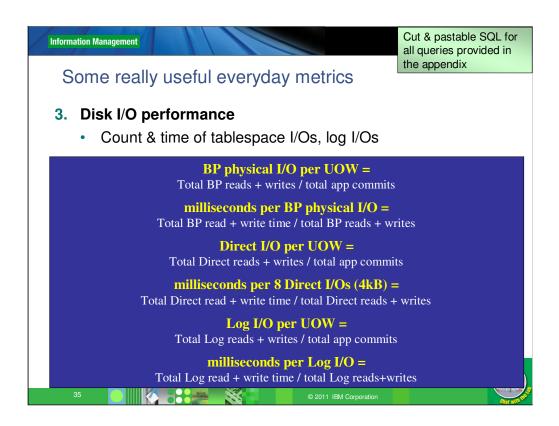


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Some really useful everyday metrics
2. Core activity
Transactions, statements, rows
<pre>select current timestamp as "Timestamp", substr(workload_name,1,32) as "Workload", sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) as "Total app. commits", sum(ACT_COMPLETED_TOTAL) as "Total activities", case when sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) < 100 then null else cast(sum(ACT_COMPLETED_TOTAL) / sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) as decimal(6,1)) end as "Activities / UOW", case when sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) = 0 then null else cast(1000.0 * sum(DEADLOCKS) / sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) as decimal(8,3)) end as "Deadlocks / 1000 UOW", case when sum(ROWS_RETURNED) < 1000 then null else sum(ROWS_READ)/sum(ROWS_RETURNED) end as "Rows read/Rows ret", case when sum(ROWS_READ+ROWS_MODIFIED) < 1000 then null else cast(100.0 * sum(ROWS_READ+ROWS_MODIFIED) < 1000 then null else cast(100.0 * sum(ROWS_READ)/sum(ROWS_READ+ROWS_MODIFIED) as decimal(4,1)) end as "Pct read act. by rows" from table(mon_get_workload(null,-2)) as t group by rollup (substr(workload_name,1,32));</pre>
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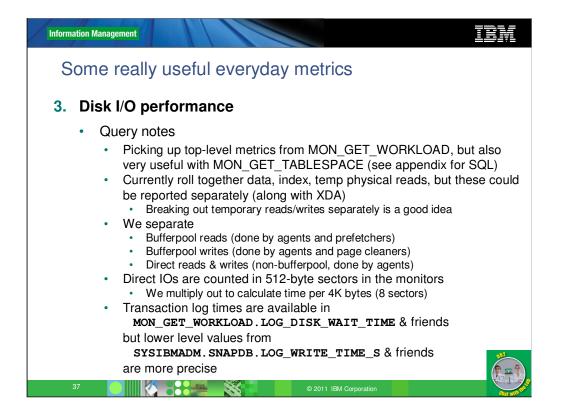
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S	Some really useful everyday metrics						
2.	2. Core activity						
	 Query notes Picking up top-level metrics from MON_GET_WORKLOAD, but also works withSERVICE_SUBCLASS andCONNECTION Use ROLLUP to get per-workload stats, plus at overall system level Deadlocks don't usually happen much, so we normalize to 1000 UOW Rows read / rows returned gives a feel of whether scans or index accesses dominate Desired ranges 						
		Transactional systems	Complex query systems				
	Total Transactions	Depends on the system					
	Activities per UOW	Typically 5-25 Beware 1 per UOW!	Low – typically 1-5				
	Deadlocks per 1000 UOW	Less then 5 good, under 1 great	Should be less than 1				
	Rows read / rows selected	5-20 good, 1-5 great, showing good use of indexes	Usually quite high due to use of scans				

Rollup is handy here as a powerful & simple GROUP BY – it gives us information per workload, plus 'rolled up' to the overall total.

Normalization is important, since it removes the need to make sure all our monitoring intervals are exactly the same. Sometimes we normalize 'per transaction' – but for rare things like deadlocks, we normalize by longer term things, like 'per 1000 transactions'

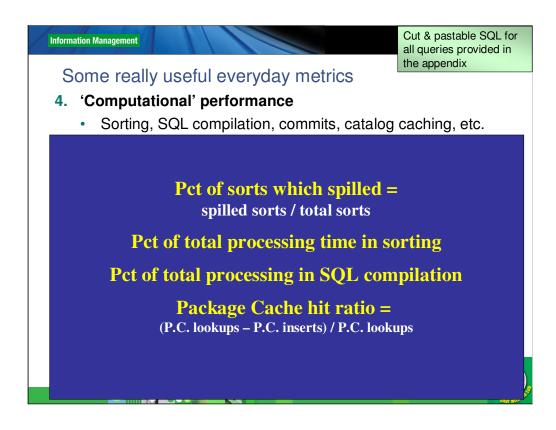


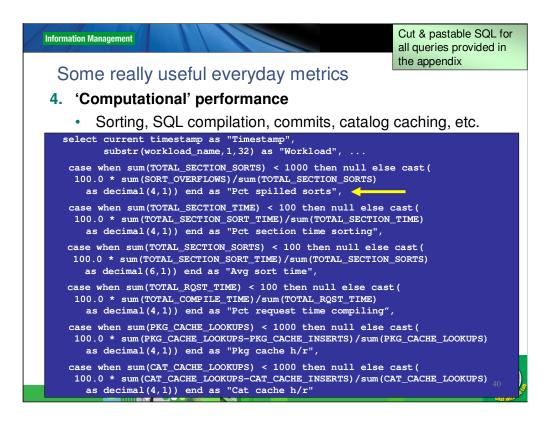
Information Management Some really useful everyday metrics	Cut & pastable SQL for all queries provided in the appendix				
 3. Disk I/O performance Count & time of tablespace I/Os, log I/Os 					
<pre>select current timestamp, substr(workload_name,1,24) as "Workload", case when sum(TOTAL_APP_COMMITS) < 100 then null else cast(float(sum(POOL_DATA_P_READS+POOL_INDEX_P_READS+ POOL_TEMP_DATA_P_READS+POOL_TEMP_INDEX_P_READS))</pre>					
<pre>select current timestamp, case when COMMIT_SQL_STMTS < 100 then null else cast(float(LOG_WRITES) / COMMIT_SQL_STMTS as decimal(6,1)) end as "Log wrts / UOW", : from sysibmadm.snapdb; Waterment </pre>					
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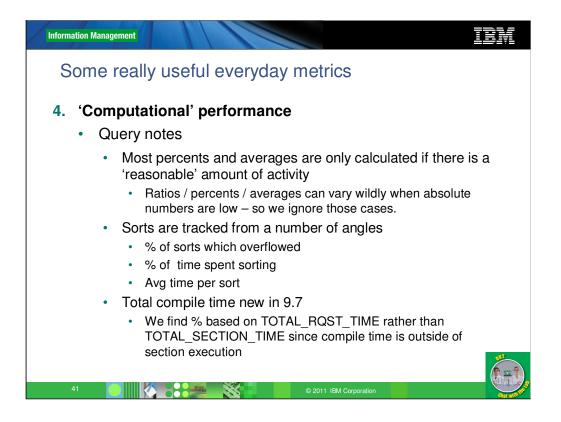


The LOG_DISK_WAIT_TIME metric in MON_GET_WORKLOAD measures some additional pathlength, etc. – more than just the IO. In the current level, SNAPDB.LOG_WRITE_TIME is generally more accurate.

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3.	3. Disk I/O performance			
	Desired / typical ranges			
		Transactional systems	Complex query systems	
	Physical IO per UOW	Typically quite small e.g. less than 5 but depends on the system	Async data & index reads, especially from temp, are generally very high	
	ms per bufferpool read	Random: under 10 ms good, under 5ms great	Sequential: under 5 ms good, under 2 ms great	
	ms per bufferpool write	Random: under 8 ms good, under 3 ms great	Sequential temps: under 6 ms good, under 3 ms great	
	ms per 4KB of direct I/O	Direct I/Os are typically in much larger chunks than 4KB Reads: under 2 ms good, under 1 ms great Writes: under 4 ms good, under 2 ms great		
	ms per log write	Typically: under 6 ms good, under 3 ms great		
	Large log operations (e.g. bulk inserts, etc.) can take longer			
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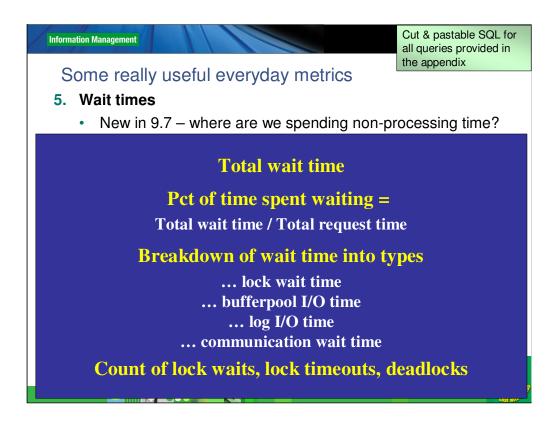
Compile time is a great new metric in 9.7. Previously, it was quite difficult to find out how much time was being spent in statement compilation. Note that with the new metrics, statement compilation comes outside of section execution (must compile before we execute!), so in terms of finding a percent of time, we use TOTAL_RQST_TIME rather than TOTAL_SECTION_TIME instead. The DB2 Information Center has a good description of the hierarchy of timing elements here -

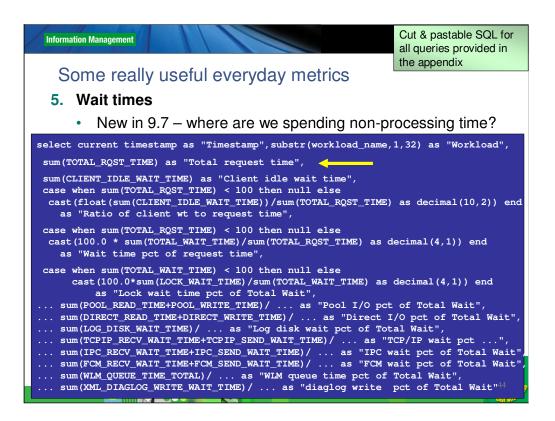
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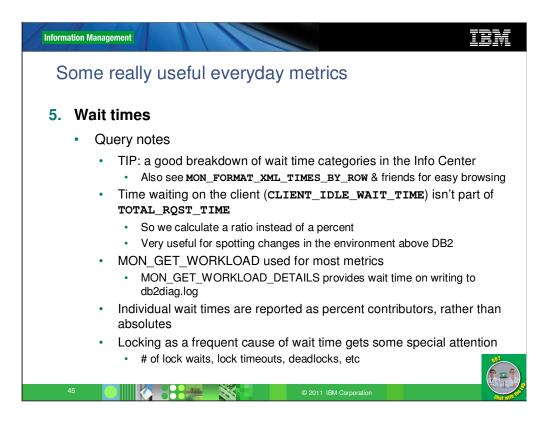
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Some really u	iseful everyday metri	CS	
4. 'Computational' performance			
 Desired / typical ranges 			
	Transactional systems	Complex query systems	
Percent of sorts spilled	Usually low, but high % not a worry unless sort time is high too	Large sorts typically spill, so fraction could be 50% or more	
Percent of time spent sorting	Usually < 5%. More than that? look at indexing	Usually < 25%. More than that? Look at join types & indexing	
Average sort time Needs to be less than desired tx response time / query it time. Drill down by statement		x response time / query response	
Percent of time spent compiling	< 1% - expect few compiles, and simple ones when they occur	< 10% - very complex queries & high optimization can drive this up, but still not dominating. Much higher than 10? Maybe optlevel is too high?	
Pkg cache hit ratio	> 98%	Can be very low (e.g. < 25%)	
Cat cache hit ratio	> 95%	> 90%	

A high percentage of spilled sorts isn't necessarily something to worry about, unless we're spending a lot of time doing it.

Regarding compilation & package cache hits, it's generally the case that transactional systems generally do less on-the-fly compilation than complex query systems, so we tend to have more aggressive goals about the amount of time we spend compiling, etc. Compilation drives the greater activity we see in the package cache & catalog cache, which tends to drive down the hit ratios there.







Great breakdown of wait time in the Info Center at

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/db2luw/v9r7/index.jsp?topic=/com.ib m.db2.luw.admin.mon.doc/doc/c0055434.html

Why is client_idle_wait_time used in a ratio instead of a percent? Because it's not contained within total_rqst_time (rather, it's between requests.) So we still do basically the same calculation (finding a quotient), except that it can be greater than 100% or 1x.

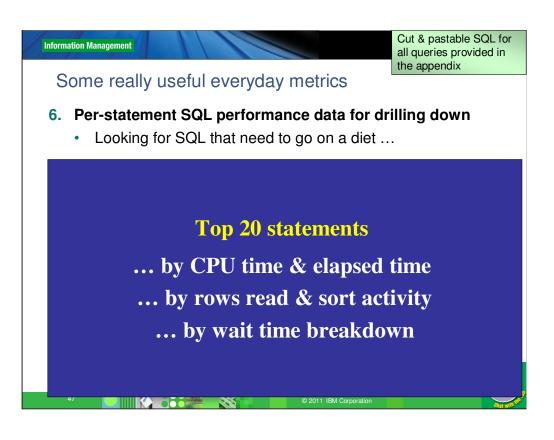
One interesting new metric comes from

MON_GET_WORKLOAD_DETAILS, which provides time spent writing to db2diag.log. This is rarely a problem, but it's a good thing to keep track of, in case issues crop up which start causing lots of writes there.

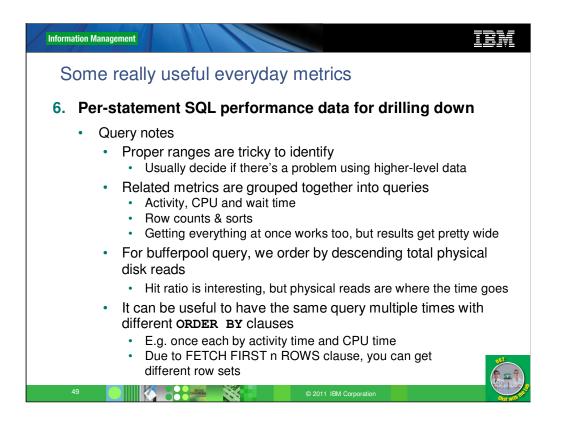
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5.	Wait times		
	 Desired / typi 	cal ranges	
		Transactional systems	Complex query systems
	Ratio of client idle time to request time	Highly variable, but can be quite high (2-10x) depending on layers above DB2	Generally quite low on a heavily loaded system
	Wait time pct of request time	Typically 10-30%, depending on system load & tuning	Typically 20-40% depending on system load & tuning
	Disk I/O time pct of total wait time	60-80% - usually quite high if c wait are reasonably under con	
	Lock wait time pct of total wait time	10% or less; if higher than 20-30%, look into CURRENTLY COMMITTED & friends	Typically very low
	Log disk wait pct of total wait time	Low-med – if above 20%, tuning logs is required	Very low – less than 5%
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Client idle time is likely to be higher if there are real end-users attached to the system. However, if application servers are used, the connections tend to drive the database much more constantly, and thereby keep the idle time lower.

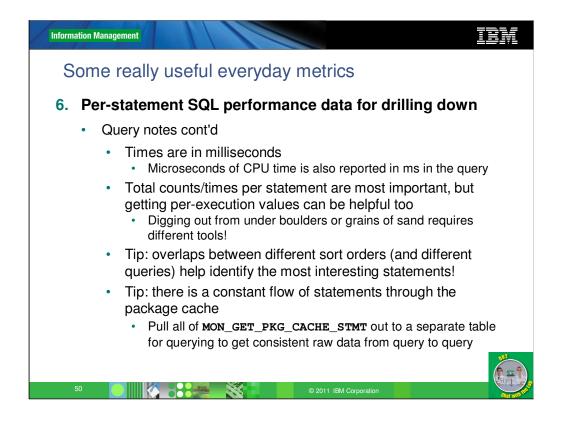
Note that the last 3 - disk I/O wait time, lock wait time & log disk wait time, are reported as a percent of **total wait time** – <u>not</u> of total request time. So we could have only 10% wait time, but 80% (0.8, or 8% in absolute terms) of that might be disk IO wait.



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	ent SQL performance dates for SQL that need to go on	•
(TOTAL_CPU_TIME TOTAL_SECTION_S NUM_EXEC_WITH_M from table(mon_	OTAL_ACT_TIME, TOTAL_CPU_TIME, E+500)/1000 as "TOTAL_CPU_TIME SORT_PROC_TIME, METRICS, substr(STMT_TEXT,1,40) _get_pkg_cache_stmt(null,null,n _CPU_TIME desc fetch first 20 r	as stmt_text ull,-2)) as t
else ROWS_REA TOTAL_SECTION_S case when TOTAL else TOTAL_SE	<pre>, ROWS_RETURNED, _RETURNED = 0 then null AD / ROWS_RETURNED end as "Read SORTS, SORT_OVERFLOWS, TOTAL_SE L_SECTION_SORTS = 0 then null ECTION_SORT_TIME / TOTAL_SECTIO , substr(STMT_TEXT,1,40) as stm</pre>	CTION_SORT_TIME, N_SORTS end as "Time / sort",
FCM_SEND_WAIT_ LOCK_TIMEOUTS, TOTAL_SECTION_S	_TIME, TOTAL_ACT_WAIT_TIME, LOC TIME+FCM_RECV_WAIT_TIME as "FCM LOG_BUFFER_WAIT_TIME, LOG_DISK SORT_TIME-TOTAL_SECTION_SORT_PR , substr(STMT_TEXT,1,40) as stm	wait time", _WAIT_TIME, OC_TIME as "Sort wait time",
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With most of the previous PIT metrics, we've been looking at a high level. Here, generally after we've found a problem at a higher level, we drill down to the statement level, looking for which statements have similar symptoms. So we basically look at the same queries as for the system level.



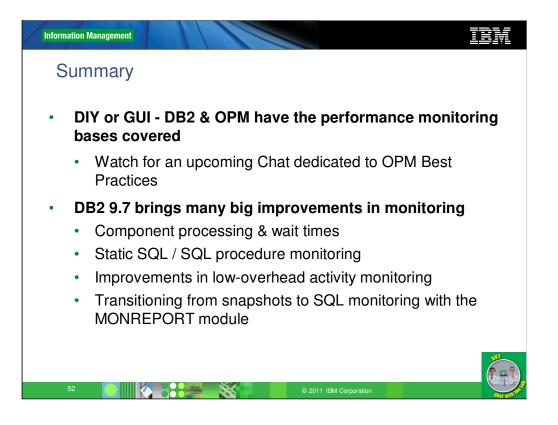
Almost all the times we collect are in milliseconds – except CPU time, which is in microseconds. So just to be consistent, we report CPU in ms too.

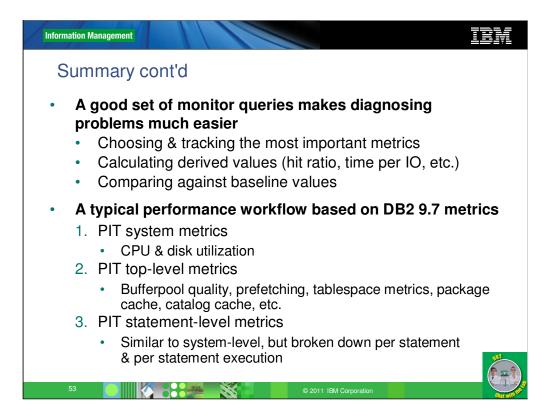
It's can be useful to look at both total metrics (for all executions), and for individual executions, depending on the situation. We report both, just to cover all the bases.

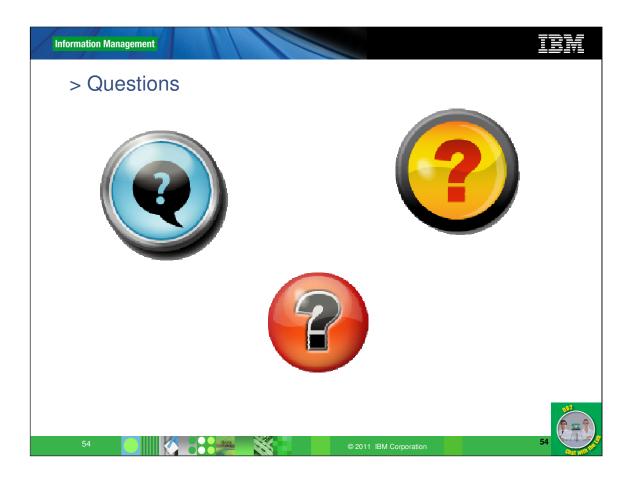
We have multiple statements AND multiple sort orders. The most interesting statements tend to be the ones which come near the top of the list in multiple queries – e.g. longest running AND most physical IO, etc.

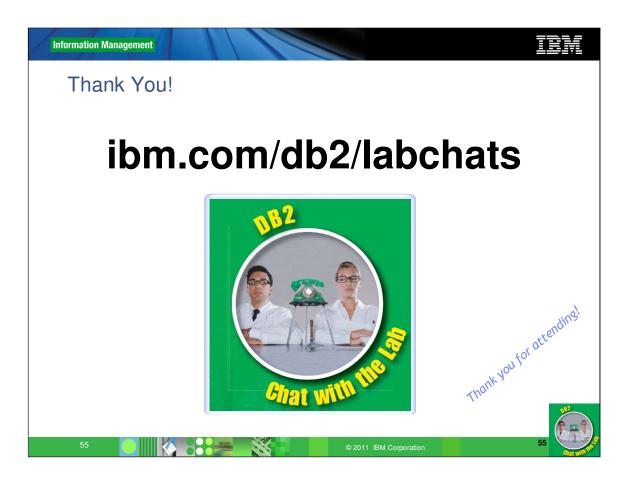
Because the queries we use are based on MON_GET_PKG_CACHE_STMT, which gets its information from the package cache, we have to pay attention to the possibility that interesting statements might flow out of the package cache before we see them. Two ways to guard against this – larger package cache, and fairly frequent querying, pulling records out of the table function and storing them in a table for ongoing analysis.

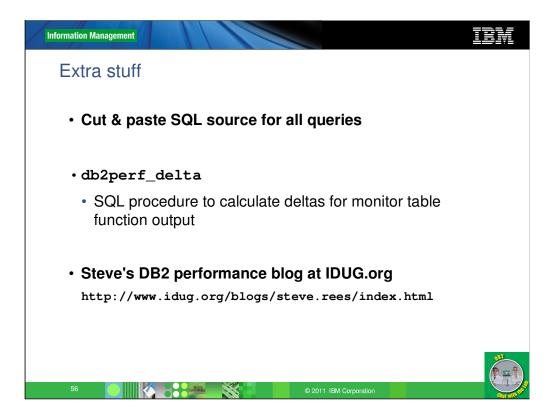
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PIT information summ	arized with monitor views		
•	 DB2 9.7 provides several administrative views which pull summary & highlight information from the monitor table functions 		
 Good for quick command-line queries No parameters to pass Basic derived metrics (e.g. hit ratio, I/O time, wait time percentages) already provided Tip: for best accuracy, use delta monitor values & calculate derived metrics in your queries 			
Admin view - sysibmadm.xxx	Short description		
MON_DB_SUMMARY	Overall database activity; detailed wait time breakdown; total BP hit ratio		
MON_CURRENT_SQL	CPU & activity stats for all currently executing SQL		
MON_LOCKWAITS	List of details on current lock waits – item being locked, participants, statements, etc.		
MON_BP_UTILIZATION	I/O stats including hit ratio, etc., for all bufferpools		
MON_PKG_CACHE_SUMMARY	Per-statement information, mostly in terms of averages vs. totals;		
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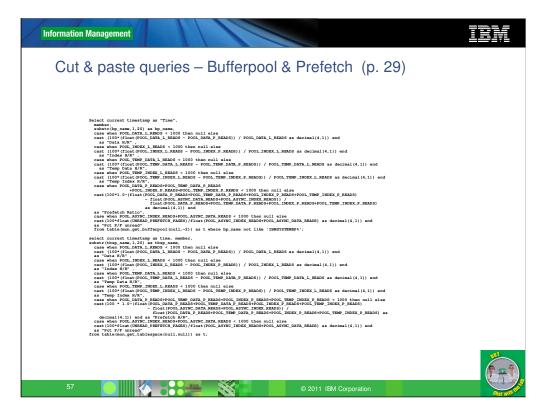






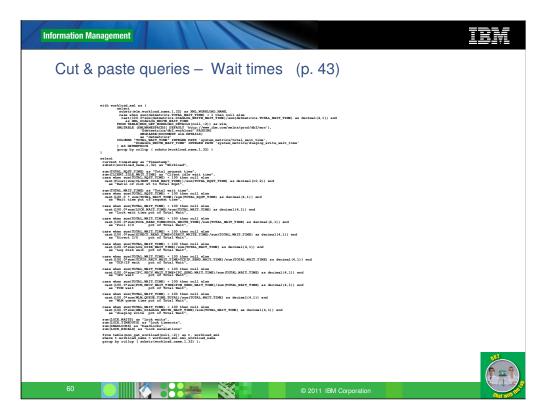


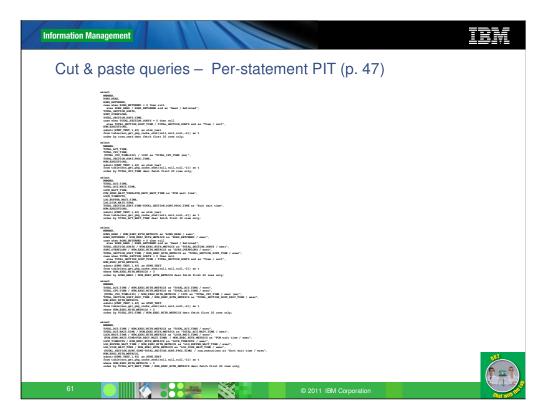


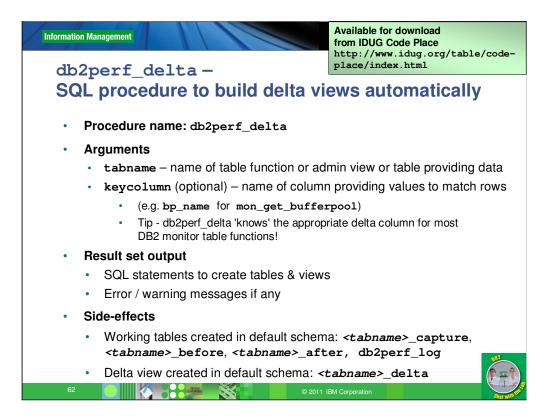


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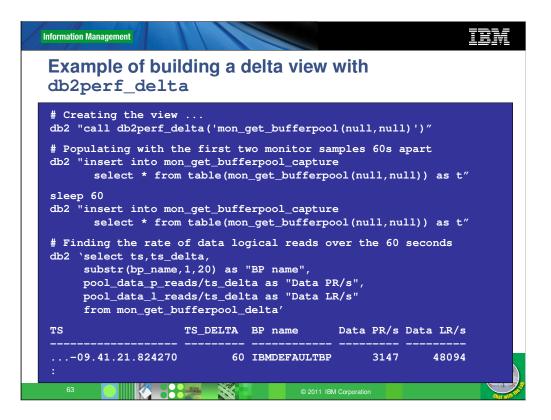






Because this is a fairly common requirement, I wrote a SQL stored procedure to produce the required 'Before' and 'After' tables, and the 'Delta' view, given any input table or table function.

It can be downloaded with instructions from IDUG Code Place at http://www.idug.org/table/code-place/index.html



Note that once we have the delta view, we can select it all, or parts of it, or join it with some other table(s), etc.