

# Metadata Abattoir

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# Indexing

HUH! What is it good for?

um ... well ... quite a lot, actually

# Out of the box...

- MODS-based
- Various title fields
- Some author-ish fields, and other stuff
- ALL THE SUBJECTS
- One (count 'em, one) series field
- Identifier-ish fields
- The BLOB(TM)

Dipping a toe in the water

Make titles matter

# Dipping a toe in the water

```
INSERT INTO config.metabib_field (  
    field_class, name, label, weight, browse_field, xpath  
) VALUES (  
    'keyword', 'titleproperkw', 'Title Proper kw', 25, FALSE,  
    '//mods32:mods/mods32:titleNonfiling[mods32:title and not (@type)]'  
);
```

Tech track, code slide required.

Say, that's great!

Now we will kill the BLOB!!!!!!

# Faceting for a better tomorrow

Harry, why do you have a tail?

<a href="#">Harry Potter series</a>	(2)
<a href="#">Harry Potter series : 4</a>	(2)
<a href="#">Harry Potter series : 5</a>	(2)
<a href="#">Harry Potter series : 6</a>	(2)

# Faceting for a better tomorrow

Here, let me trim that for you...

```
INSERT INTO config.index_normalizer (name, func, param_count)
```

```
VALUES ('Replace by regular expression', 'regexp_replace', 2);
```

```
INSERT INTO config.metabib_field_index_norm_map (field, norm, params, pos)
```

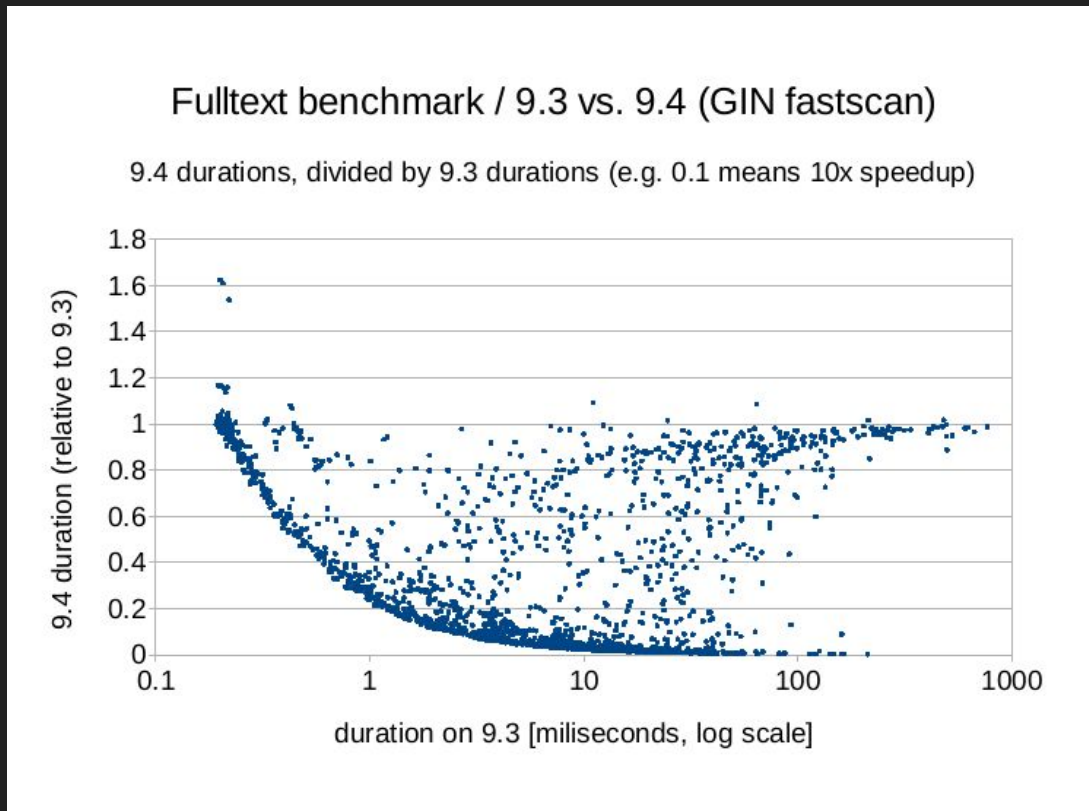
```
VALUES (1, CURRVAL('config.index_normalizer_id_seq'), '[';.*', ']', -1);
```

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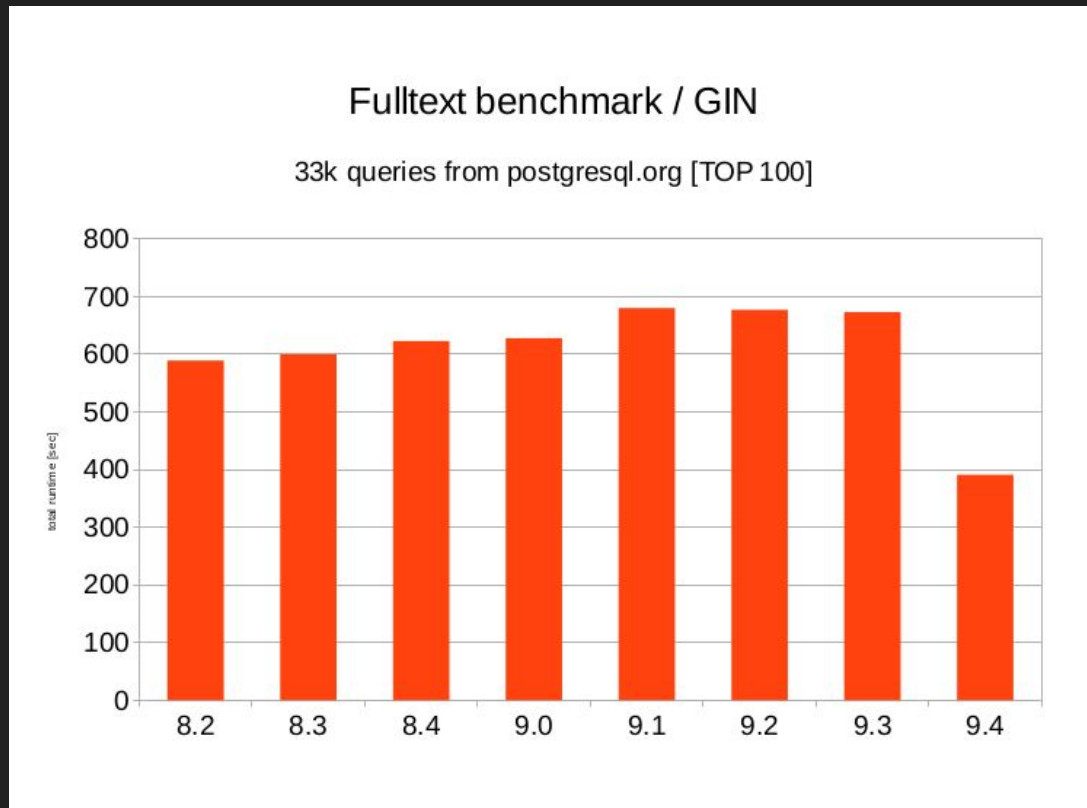
# The future is ... soon, I hope

Here's a graph full of dots:



# The future is ... soon, I hope

Ahhhh, that's better!



# Elbow grease required

- Similarity search
  - Available now, but tests full indexed string
  - Good for short tags; subject or short-title matching
- Word similarity
  - In 9.6, so, the future
  - Finds best match for substrings based on the query
  - Good for any indexed string length!
- FTS Phrase search
  - In 9.6 ... more future
  - Allows one `ts_query` for phrase matching, much faster than today's method
  - Less complex search == faster search

# !!! BREAKING NEWS !!!

## Let's slay superpages!

- Superpage pros:
  - Searches start faster today
- Superpage cons:
  - Small datasets can hide in the weeds
  - Hit counts start as an estimate for large result sets

Thanks! Now, let's chat.

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