

Upcoming PostgreSQL Features

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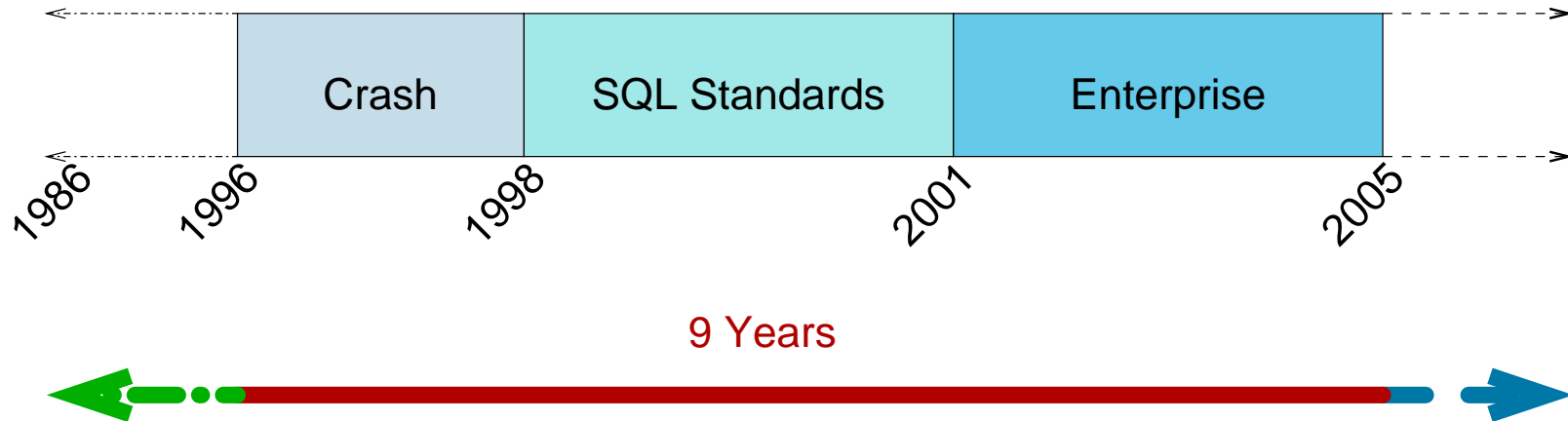
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Abstract

This outlines the upcoming features of PostgreSQL 8.1.

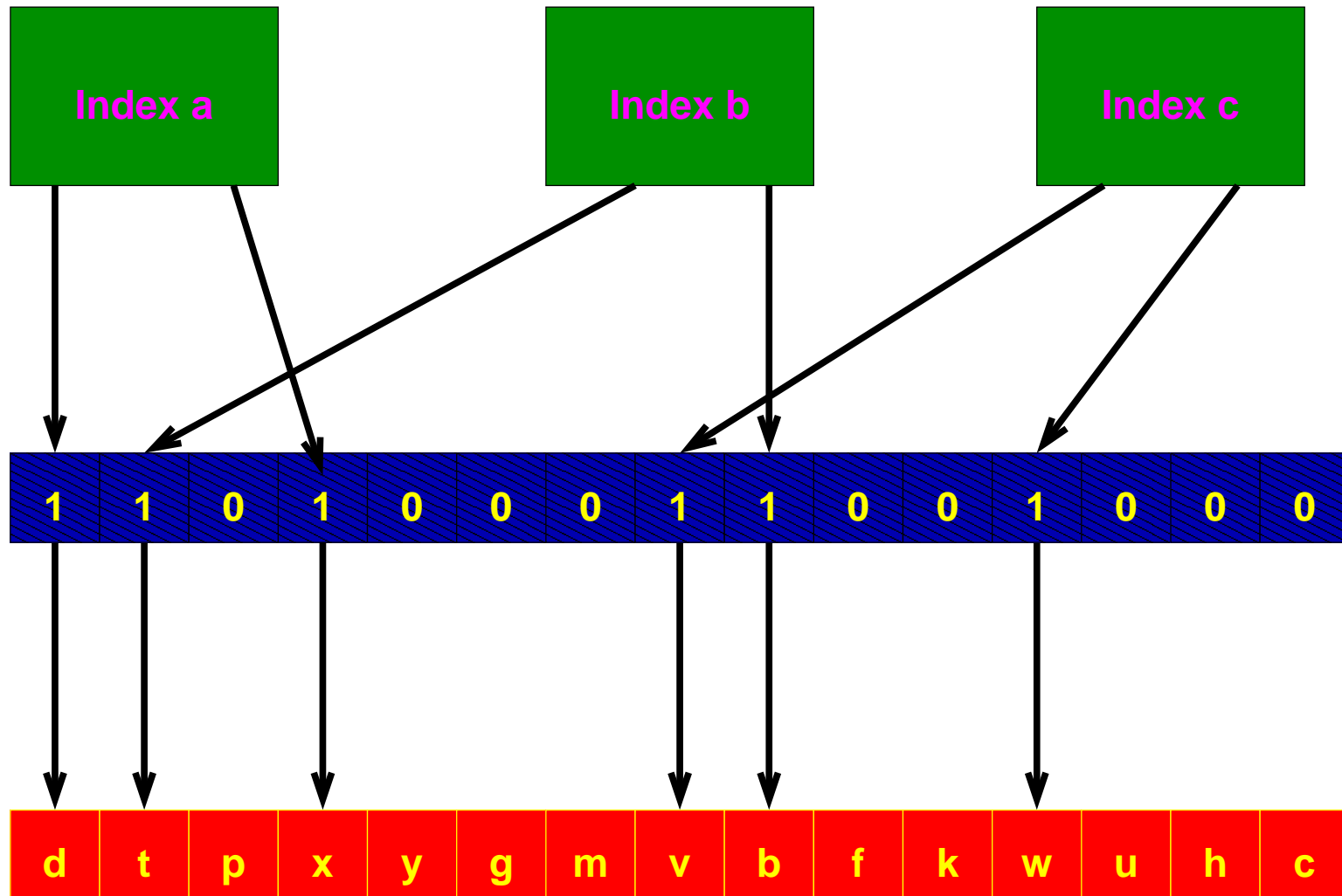
PostgreSQL Evolution



Enterprise features include:

- Improved Performance
- Simplified Maintenance and Administration
- Efficient 24/7 Operation

Indexes Combined Using Bitmaps



Two-phase Commit

Session 1	Session 2
BEGIN WORK	BEGIN WORK
UPDATE acct SET balance = balance - 100;	
	UPDATE acct SET balance = balance + 100;
PREPARE TRANSACTION 'balance1';	
	PREPARE TRANSACTION 'balance2';
COMMIT PREPARED 'balance1';	
	COMMIT PREPARED 'balance2';

Major Code Improvements

- Automatic vacuum moved from /contrib to the main server
- Global shared buffer lock removed, improves SMP performance

Functions Returning Multiple Out Parameters

```
CREATE FUNCTION f1(IN i INT, OUT j INT, OUT k TEXT) AS $$  
BEGIN  
  j := i+1;  
  k := 'foo';  
END$$  
LANGUAGE plpgsql;  
SELECT f1(42);  
f1  
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(43,foo)  
(1 row)  
SELECT * FROM f1(42);  
j   | k  
----+-----  
43  | foo  
(1 row)
```

INOUT parameters are also supported. Use RETURN NEXT to return multiple rows.

Shared Row Locks

```
SELECT *  
FROM accounts  
WHERE accno = 7823231  
FOR SHARE;
```

The PostgreSQL Universe

- New companies in the USA since last year — Pervasive, Green Plum, EnterpriseDB, *Unisys*
- 1.5 million downloads of 8.0.X
- New users

Questions?

