

Oracle Performance Tuning Essentials

Practical Steps for Diagnosing and Improving SQL

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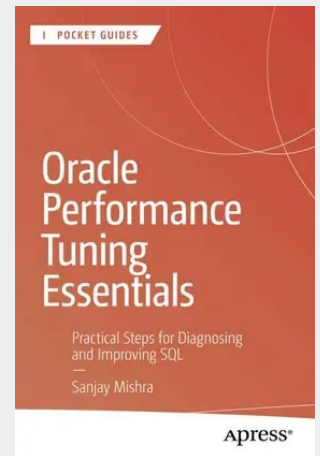
What You Will Learn

- Diagnose slow SQL using a short, repeatable tuning workflow that highlights real bottlenecks
- Read Oracle execution plans with confidence and spot inefficient operations quickly
- Improve access paths through indexing strategy, SQL rewrites, and statistics-aware tuning
- Stabilize execution plans and reduce regressions with practical plan-management techniques
- Address locking, blocking, and concurrency symptoms common in production workloads
- Optimize high-volume and high-frequency query patterns for scalable performance
- Strengthen application-layer and configuration practices that affect SQL performance
- Build proactive tuning habits that support long-term reliability in Oracle-based systems

Who this Book Is For

Developers; data engineers; DBAs; backend and full-stack engineers; technical leads working with Oracle SQL.

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