
Subject: Re: sec : U Re: travelling idl license
Posted by [Dave Greenwood](#) on Wed, 25 Sep 2002 19:54:10 GMT
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In a previous article, "Rick Towler" <rtowler@u.washington.edu> wrote:

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> "Randall Skelton" <rskelto@atm.ox.ac.uk> wrote >
[snip]
>> Second, it is impossible to have IDL for *nix and Windows on the
>> same physical disk with the license tied to the VSN because
>> provision for including it are not made by other file systems
>> (ext2, xfs, ufs, hfs, hfs+, etc).
>
> Your points are valid, assuming that the FlexLM system uses the 4 byte VSN.
> From what I can tell it *does* which makes it pretty much useless. So yes,

??? From what I can tell, FlexLM uses only the MAC address and *not* the VSN.
Do you have some evidence otherwise?

> I agree that HASP and MAC addresses are probably the most robust. And all
> of this is academic since RSI is only using the MAC address when generating
> licenses anyway.

If RSI only uses the MAC address when generating licenses then FlexLM must
only use the MAC address since RSI uses FlexLM for licensing.

Actually, I don't much like the use of MAC addresses for licensing
purposes - ethernet cards do break. Fortunately RSI has always been
quick to respond when I've needed to move a license server to another
MAC address.

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