
Subject: Re: Using SQL databases from IDL?

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On 11/25/2012 06:46 PM, Bogdanovist wrote:

- > Does anyone have experience using SQL databases from IDL? Note that I
- > am referring to vanilla IDL without additional license requirements
- > such as Dataminer. I have found, for instance, a package idl-sql
- > (<http://code.google.com/p/idl-sql/>) that allows SQL queries from IDL,
- > but I also would need to be able to write to the database, as well as
- > read.
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- > I currently use simple CSV files to store data however the kind of
- > data queries I need to do means that I am effectively re-coding a
- > relational database within my IDL project in order to be able to
- > provide myself a simple interface to grab the relevant data at any
- > point that is likely to be distributed across multiple files. Can I
- > use an SQL database to avoid re-engineering that wheel or does IDL
- > not play nice with this?

I've been using `pgsql_query` (https://github.com/segasai/pg_idl) on a Linux box to (mostly) read from a PostgreSQL database and have been very pleased with it.

John
