

Where's Wally

PostgreSQL/WAL

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WAL files are used for:

Recreation of a consistent state of the database after a system crash

Backup and restore with the technique Continuous archiving

Replication

== Usage ==

Writing to WAL files is very fast as they are written always sequentially. This is particularly true for traditional discs with rotating panes and moving read/write heads. In contrast to WAL files database files are organized in special structures like trees, which possibly must be reorganized during write operations or which contain pointers...

PostgreSQL/Configuration

writer processes. In the WAL section there are definitions for the behaviour of the WAL mechanism. First, you define a WAL level out of the four possibilities

The main configuration file is postgresql.conf. It is divided into several sections according to different tasks. The second important configuration file is pg_hba.conf, where authentication definitions are stored.

Both files reside in the special directory \$PGDATA (Debian/Ubuntu) or in the main directory of the cluster (RedHat).

Some configuration items have a dynamic nature, and will take effect with a simple pg_ctl reload. Others require a restart of the instance pg_ctl restart. The comments in the default configuration files state which of the two actions has to be taken.

== postgresql.conf ==

=== File Locations ===

The value of data_directory defines the location of the cluster's main directory. In the same way the value of hba_file defines the location and the name of the above mentioned...

High School Physics/Momentum

about to collide with the town's mascot, Rubber Wally. Just in the nick of time, the car hits Wally, who is then thrown into a pool. Unfortunately, Joey

"Joey Newtons recently just got his car, the Speeder 3000. On the first day of school, he noticed he was late. Joey Newtons is unwilling to slow down for anybody. Thus he decided to go to school above the speed limit. While driving to school really fast, he notices that a sign says "There are moments when going too fast simply can't stop you... Take Sleepy to make your day better."

With such a distraction, he realises that he is about to collide with the town's mascot, Rubber Wally. Just in the nick of time, the car hits Wally, who is then thrown into a pool. Unfortunately, Joey also hits the town's historic house, Rubber Wall. He said to himself "I didn't know getting distracted for a moment would get my car back to where I live!"

That said, the combination of Mass and Velocity creates...

PostgreSQL/Terms

in time where it is guaranteed that the database files are in a consistent state. At checkpoint time all change records are flushed to the WAL file, all

To promote a consistent use and understanding of important terms we list and define them here. For some terms we include short annotations to give a first introduction to the subject.

== Database Cluster ==

=== Overview ===

=== Server (or Node) ===

A server is some (real or virtual) hardware where PostgreSQL is installed. In this document, the word instance is a different concept from server. See the definition of instance later in this document.

=== Cluster of Nodes ===

A set of nodes, which interchange information via replication.

=== Installation ===

After you have downloaded and installed PostgreSQL, you have a set of programs, scripts, configuration- and other files on a server. This set is called the 'Installation'. It includes all instance programs as well as some client programs like psql....

PostgreSQL/Replication

stored in WAL files anyway. Shipping WAL-File-Shipping Replication (or File-based Replication) denotes the transfer of completely filled WAL files (16

Replication is the process of transferring data changes from one or many databases (master) to one or many other databases (standby) running on one or many other nodes. The purpose of replication is

High Availability: If one node fails, another node replaces him and applications can work continuously.

Scaling: The workload demand may be too high for one single node. Therefore, it is spread over several nodes.

== Concepts ==

PostgreSQL offers a bunch of largely mutually independent concepts for use in replication solutions. They can be picked up and combined - with only few restrictions - depending on the use case.

Events

With Trigger Based Replication a trigger (per table) starts the transfer of changed data. This technique is outdated and not used.

With Log Based Replication such information...

Professionalism/The Dilbert Principle

This is how Wally acts towards the Pointy-Haired Boss, constantly appearing valuable while diligently doing no work. As far as Wally's actions go, then

"In a hierarchy every employee tends to rise to his level of incompetence."

-Laurence J. Peter & Raymond Hull, The Peter Principle: Why Things Always Go Wrong

"The basic concept of the Dilbert Principle is that the most ineffective workers are systematically moved to the place where they can do the least damage: management."

-Scott Adams, The Dilbert Principle

According to Scott Adams, the workplace used to follow the Peter Principle in the 1980s. However, lately, the Peter Principle has given way to the Dilbert Principle. Under the Peter Principle managers make bad decisions, but they are at least informed decisions made from years of experience. However, in the Dilbert Principle employees are promoted to management when they cannot do anything else. This is where they can do the least amount...

PostgreSQL/BackupAndRecovery

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== Overview ==

Creating backups is an essential task for every database administrator. If the hardware crashes or any form of data corruption occurs, the DBA must ensure that a database can be restored with minimal data loss. PostgreSQL offers multiple strategies to support the DBA in achieving this goal.

In principle, backup technology can be divided into two classes: cold backups and hot backups. A cold backup is a backup taken when no database file is open. In the case of PostgreSQL this means that the instance must be stopped during the complete time interval of taking the backup. A hot backup is a backup taken during normal working hours. Clients can perform read and write actions in parallel to this form of backup creation.

PostgreSQL supports different types of backups:

Cold backups...

PostgreSQL/Print version

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= Features =

== An outstanding Goal ==

The very first concept paper - published in 1986 - defines a goal that distinguishes PostgreSQL from many other systems until today: "provide user extendibility for data types, operators, and access methods". This goal is reached. And it is not only available for users, even the internal implementation utilizes those interfaces to create system components.

== Architecture ==

PostgreSQL implements a client/server model. Each client process connects to one backend process at the server site. Such backend processes are part of the instance, a group of many processes which act closely together and handle the data access. PostgreSQL does not use threading in the backend processes or elsewhere.

== Features ==

=== Security ===

Authentication methods: SCRAM-SHA...

Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire/Printable version

a Pokémon. This person is Wally, the kid from next door. Your father lends him a Zigzagoon, and sends you with Wally. Wally catches a Ralts, and then -

= Introduction =

The game is set in the land of Hoenn where you (the main character) embark on a brand new adventure and aim to become the best Pokémon trainer ever.

The goal of all trainers is to defeat all eight of the Gym Leaders and earn the eight badges from each leader. Only then you will have access to the Elite Four, where you can test your skills as a Pokémon trainer.

There are also many objectives standing in your way of fulfilling your goal, including the villains, Team Aqua or Magma (Aqua in Sapphire, Magma in Ruby) who attempt to destroy the world of Pokémon, however, your objective is to stop them and be the hero of the Pokémon world.

At times, like all Pokémon games, you will encounter wild Pokémon (which you can catch), and be battled by other trainers, however, if you train...

Pokémon Emerald/Introduction

and you can enter Wally's house. But there really isn't something obtainable there. You can only talk to his parents finding out Wally is already gone. -

=== The Starting screens ===

==== Starting the game ====

The Logo of the game will show up, and will ask you to press Start.

Press the Start button and a new screen will appear.

If it's your first time playing the game, you will have 2 options:

New Game

Option

Before you can start the game you can go to "Option" and set the text speed, frames and other preferences.

To start the game press "New Game".

==== Character customization =====

Pokemon Emerald doesn't offer much customization except for the gender and name.

Once the "New Game" button is clicked, Professor Birch will start presenting you the world of Pokemon.

After that, he will ask you if you are a boy or a girl.

After that, he will ask you for your name. Unlike the previous Pokemon games, you don't have name choices but you will have to pick your...

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