

Re: Access to AS/400 data

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Gary Schmidt <Gary.Schmidt@oz.quest.com> wrote:

GS> Nicholas Dronen wrote:

>> VinceM <vincem@nospam.com> wrote:

>> V> "VinceM" <vincem@nospam.com> wrote in message

>> V> news:1061937555.897558@nnrp2.phx1.gblx.net...

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>>>> Does anyone know of any techniques/products which would allow access to

>>>> AS/400 database files from AIX?

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>> V> Specifically what I would like to do is an SQL join between an Oracle table

>> V> on AIX and a DB2 table on an AS/400.

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>> This has very little to do with AIX. You should be looking at an

>> ODBC-based gateway that you can access from with Oracle. If you

>> don't want to shell out the money, you'll have to roll your own

>> method using perhaps a shell script that calls a command-line client.

GS> Nicholas, why do you insist it must be done using ODBC? Accessing a DB2

GS> database on any machine from AIX is simply a matter of connecting to

GS> it, which the DB2 CLI API does very well.

I don't *insist* he must use ODBC. Since he wants to do a JOIN with

SQL, he's going to have to use a gateway *or* a protocol translator

built into his RDMBS. I believe, with Oracle, you can plug ODBC

drivers into the RDMBS, and voila!, you have connectivity to another

RDMBS. That's probably a hell of a lot cheaper than buying a

gateway. That's why I mentioned ODBC. He's using Oracle already.

I might be wrong about Oracle's support for this, but if not, buy

an ODBC driver, close case.

GS> That said, as the OP wants a join between two totally disparate

GS> tables/machines/databases they may have to look at some sort of

GS> middleware product that does the join itself.

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GS> I did something similar many years ago using a product from the company

GS> now known as <http://www.datadirect-technologies.com> back when they were

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GS> known as Intersolv.

Between Intersolv and DataDirect, they were Merant until Merant spun them off. I was a developer for a RDBMS gateway that translated TDS to D