ATLAS Online Software

Conditions DB MySQL Backend Implementation

PROGRESS INDICATOR

API layered structure

Upper layer: set of virtual classes imposed by the interface specification

Middle layer: implementation specific concrete classes, derived from the interface classes.

Bottom layer (NEW): mySQL tight connected classes (replacing the old implementation's wrapper functions)

?? Data Constraints ??

Upper layer: the overall database structure is a guarantied at this level

Middle layer: specific topics like the "time validity range", the "insertion time", the correctness of folderset/folder hierarchy are assured by this layer.

Bottom layer: Time partitioning policies and correctness

MySQL level: define default values... what else?

Why the additional bottom layer

Not quite a new layer, but a replacement for a set of wrapper C like functions.

Allows one to plug/unplug/replace new features not forseen in the interface:

Time partitioning managment.

Clearer code interfaces:

Code is easier to maintain or extend;

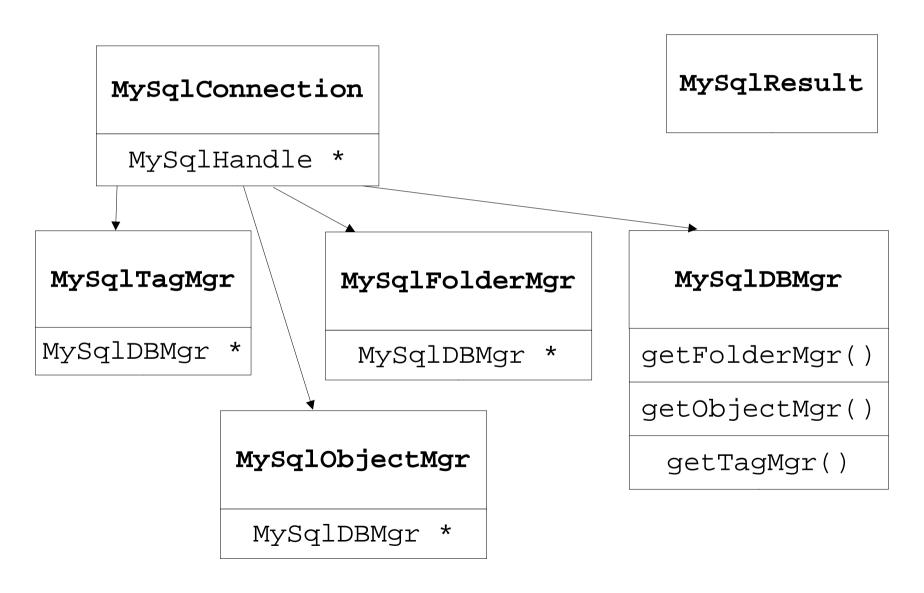
improved robustness.

Painless integration with the rest of the code and possibly more efficient coding (and code).

PRE-RELEASE NOTES

- Use LIMIT SQL keyword to retrieve only the desired rows instead of using mysql_use_result() to avoid retrieving a large number of rows.
- The mysql_use_result() as many drawbacks in the implementation when compared to mysql_store_result().
- Use of strstreams to build up the querys and the mysql_real_query(), instead of mysql_query(), provide a more efficient approach specially when dealing with large querys.

Bottom layer snapshot



Architecture

