Skytools 3.0

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PGQ architecture has changed so that the queue themselves can be replicated from a node to another, to allow for online switchover facilities. That comes with 3 node types:

- Root
- Branch
- Leaf





PGQ Nodes

```
Example (qadmin status)
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```
bdd2$ londiste3 demo.ini status
Queue: demo Local node: bdd2
bdd1 (root)
                              Tables: 85/0/0
                              Lag: 3s, Tick: 8706
 +--bdd2 (branch)
                              Tables: 85/0/0
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     +--web1 (leaf)
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Includes failover. When a consumer stops consuming, its current batch gets reassigned to another one after a configurable timeout.



qadmin

qadmin is the new interactive command line, replacing pgqadm and offering a much richer set of commands.

- connect, install
- create queue, alter queue, show ...
- register, unregister
- londiste commands



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debian Packaging

Completely new for skytools3

- skytools3
- python-pgq3
- python-skytools3
- skytools3-walmgr
- skytools3-ticker
- postgresql-8.4-pgq3
- postgresql-9.0-pgq3





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Any question?

Now is a pretty good time to ask!



