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Postgres Weekly

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PostgreSQL 9.4.1, 9.3.6, 9.2.10, 9.1.15 & 9.0.19 Released

Not feature releases, but important updates with fixes for multiple security issues.

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Modern SQL in PostgreSQL

SQL gets a lot of flack for not being new and updated and, well, fun. But the truth is it's come a long way from what it was decades ago. Here's a great deck which highlights some of the new and awesome things in the SQL standard.

MARKUS WINAND

Realtime Updates From PostgreSQL to Elasticsearch

A quick explanation of how to perform event-driven updates from a PostgreSQL instance to Elasticsearch, the search index server.

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Performance Tuning – A Methodical Approach for the Multi-Tasker



Knowing you have wide range of skill demands in your role as a Postgres DBA, it pays to invest some time in learning effective techniques for performance tuning, an essential task that arises time and time again.

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Some Notes on The Update Releases

Last Thursday there were new releases of Postgres (above) addressing a few security issues among other items. Here's a rundown of what's included in the release which should help you know whether to update or not, though as always it's a good practice to do.

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The Awesome PostgreSQL 9.4 / SQL:2003 FILTER Clause for Aggregate Functions

Turns out Postgres 9.4 supports a clause from SQL:2003 that not even Oracle does yet.

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Counting Comma-Delimited Values in Postgres, MySQL, Amazon Redshift and MS SQL Server

If you've got data you want to count but it's formatted as CSV, there's a few ways to do it. PERISCOPE #TUTORIAL

Query JSON with Postgres 9.4 and Rails 4.2

ROBERT BEENE #TUTORIAL

Basic PostgreSQL Backup and Restore

Here's a quick quide along with a video walk through of the basics of backing up and restoring your PG database. And pro-tip: as is always the case with backups, unless you test them by restoring them then you shouldn't rely on your backups.

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django-watson: Full-text Multi-table Search App for Django

If you want to add full text search without having to roll something else into your Django application, Djangowatson is a full-text multi-table search application.

DAVE HALL #CODE

A Writable Foreign Data Wrapper for Redis

Foreign data wrappers provide the powerful ability for you to query to something else from within your Postgres database. Here's a newer one that not only lets you query to Redis from inside Postgres, but also write data out to it.

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pgopher: A Static Binary to Run Postgres Commands

Don't want to have psql installed on a certain system? pgopher uses the pure Go Postgres driver to let you issue commands directly.

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