The background image is a scenic landscape. It features rolling green hills under a cloudy sky. In the distance, a small town or village is visible, nestled in a valley. In the foreground, a winding road or path cuts through a dense forest of green trees. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

# Upgrading to elegant and versatile database architecture using PHP5 Data Objects

Sigurd Magnusson, SilverStripe





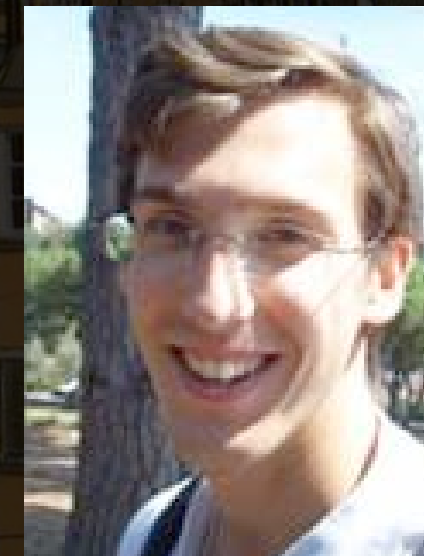
Who's furthest away?

Last year

Launched open source framework and C.M.S

Google S.o.C

Philipp rebuilt: elegance, portability



Philipp Krenn,  
Austria

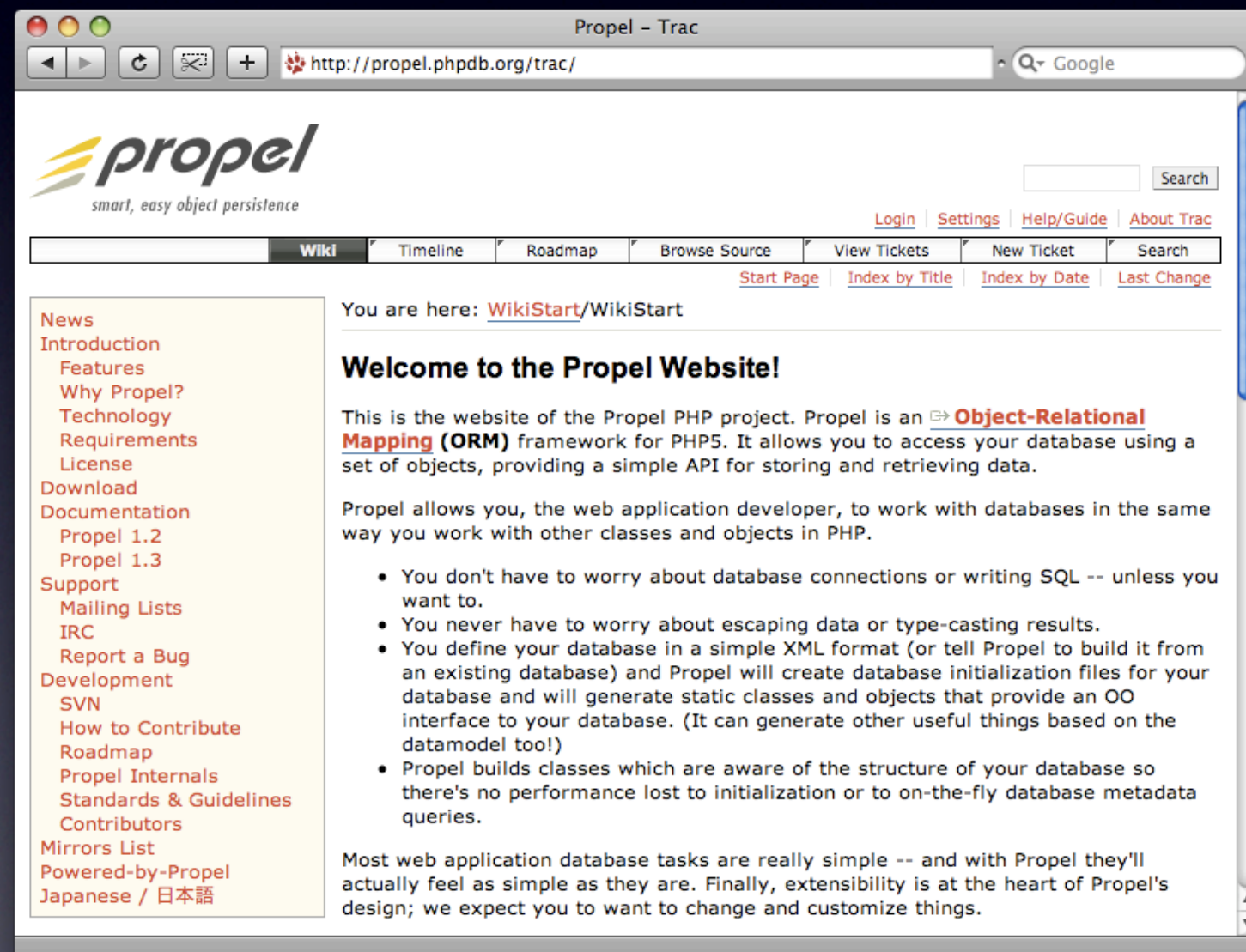




What existed already?



# Propel (and Creole)





# Propel and Creole

Write schema.xml files to build database and ORM.

```
<database>
```

```
  <table name="author" description="Author Table">
```

```
    <column name="author_id" type="integer" required="true" primaryKey="true"
      autoIncrement="true" description="Author Id"/>
```

```
    <column name="first_name" type="varchar" size="128" required="true"
      description="First Name"/>
```

```
    <column name="last_name" type="varchar" size="128" required="true"
      description="Last Name"/>
```

```
  </table>
```

```
</database>
```



# Propel and Creole

PHP objects automatically created to manipulate database

```
<?php
// INSERT INTO author (first_name, last_name) VALUES ('Sigurd', 'Magnusson');

// ... initialize Propel ...

$author = new Author();

$author->setFirstName("Sigurd");
$author->setLastName("Magnusson");

$author->save();
?>
```



# Propel and Creole

Gets complex with WHERE, JOIN, GROUP BY, ORDER, etc.

```
<?php
// SELECT * FROM author WHERE first_name = 'Sigurd'
//                                AND last_name <> 'Magnussen';

// ... initialize Propel ...

$c = new Criteria();

$c->add(AuthorPeer::first_name "Sigurd");

$c->add(AuthorPeer::last_name, "Magnussen", Criteria::NOT_EQUAL);

$authors = AuthorPeer::doSelect($c); // returns array of Author objects
?>
```



# Propel for us...

PHP5 only, OO,  
exceptions,  
unit tests...

Docs, Active

LGPL

Abstraction  
(MySQL, Postgres...)

Propel is an ORM  
and we didn't need  
to replace the one  
we already had.



# ADODB, ADODB Lite

ADODB Database Abstraction Library for PHP (and Python, LDAP, Access, VFP, DB2 and many other databases)

http://adodb.sourceforge.net/

## ADODB Database Abstraction Library for PHP (and Python).

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ADODB is a database abstraction library for PHP. There is also a Python version.

The PHP version currently supports an amazing number of databases, than *PostgreSQL, Interbase, Firebird, Informix, Oracle, MS SQL, Foxpro, Access, SQLite, Netezza, LDAP*, and *generic ODBC, ODBTP*. The Sybase, Informix ODBTP drivers are community contributions. Here is the [complete list of supported databases](#).

Many popular web applications such as [ACID](#), [PostNuke](#), [Xaraya](#), [phpWiki](#) and [phpLens App Server](#) are using ADODB as their database abstraction library.

- Designed for **speed**. It is probably the fastest open source database abstraction library. See [benchmarks](#).
- Provides **extensive portability support** such as date and type-handling. See [tips](#).
- Support many **enterprise features** such as database backed sessions generation, pivot tables, SELECT LIMIT emulation for all databases.
- **Easy to learn**, especially if you have Windows programming experience.
- **Extensive QA**, every release is unit-tested on Access, MySQL, PostgreSQL, etc.
- **Mature**, continuously developed since August 2000. Has a **large community**.
- Very **reasonable licensing** terms (BSD). This means that you can incorporate it into your applications **royalty-free** without asking the author's permission, provided you are dual-licensed (Lesser GPL).

**PHP Code Samples**

ADODB Lite

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## ADODB Lite

The Smaller, Faster Alternative

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- **ADODB Lite Version 1.42 - January 11, 2007**

I have added a new **Debug Console** to this version of ADODB Lite to allow any database driver to track execution times and errors for every query executed for any instance of ADODB Lite. Even though this debug console is very simple it is very powerful in locating queries that are taking too long to execute and throwing errors. The debug console is a separate window from your web page and displays all of the executed query information for the displayed web page. For more information on usage and a sample output check the [Debug Console](#) page.

A reference notice error for empty record sets was also fixed in this release for all drivers.
- **ADODB Lite Version 1.40 - December 17, 2006**

This version of ADODB Lite finally adds support for the ADODB Meta Functions though the **meta** module. The meta module has not been fully tested so there may be some issues. For more information check the [Modules](#) page. The **meta** functions that were required by the **Data Dictionary** have been removed from the **Data Dictionary** module and placed in the **meta** module. This will require adding the **meta** module to the modules loaded by the ADODB Connection object.

I would like to thank Daniele (legolas558 at users.sourceforge.net) for supplying the Gladius database driver.

There have been quite a number of changes and fixes in this release.

Added:  
adodb-error.inc.php file for use with meta module error reporting.



# ADODB, ADODB Lite

```
<?php
```

```
$DB = NewADOConnection("mysql://$user:$pwd@$server/$db?persist");
```

```
$row = $DB->GetRow("select col from table where key='John'");
```

```
?>
```



# ADOdb, ADOdb Lite

## Comprehensive

Abstraction ++  
(MySQL, Postgres...)

Compiled add-on

Docs, Active

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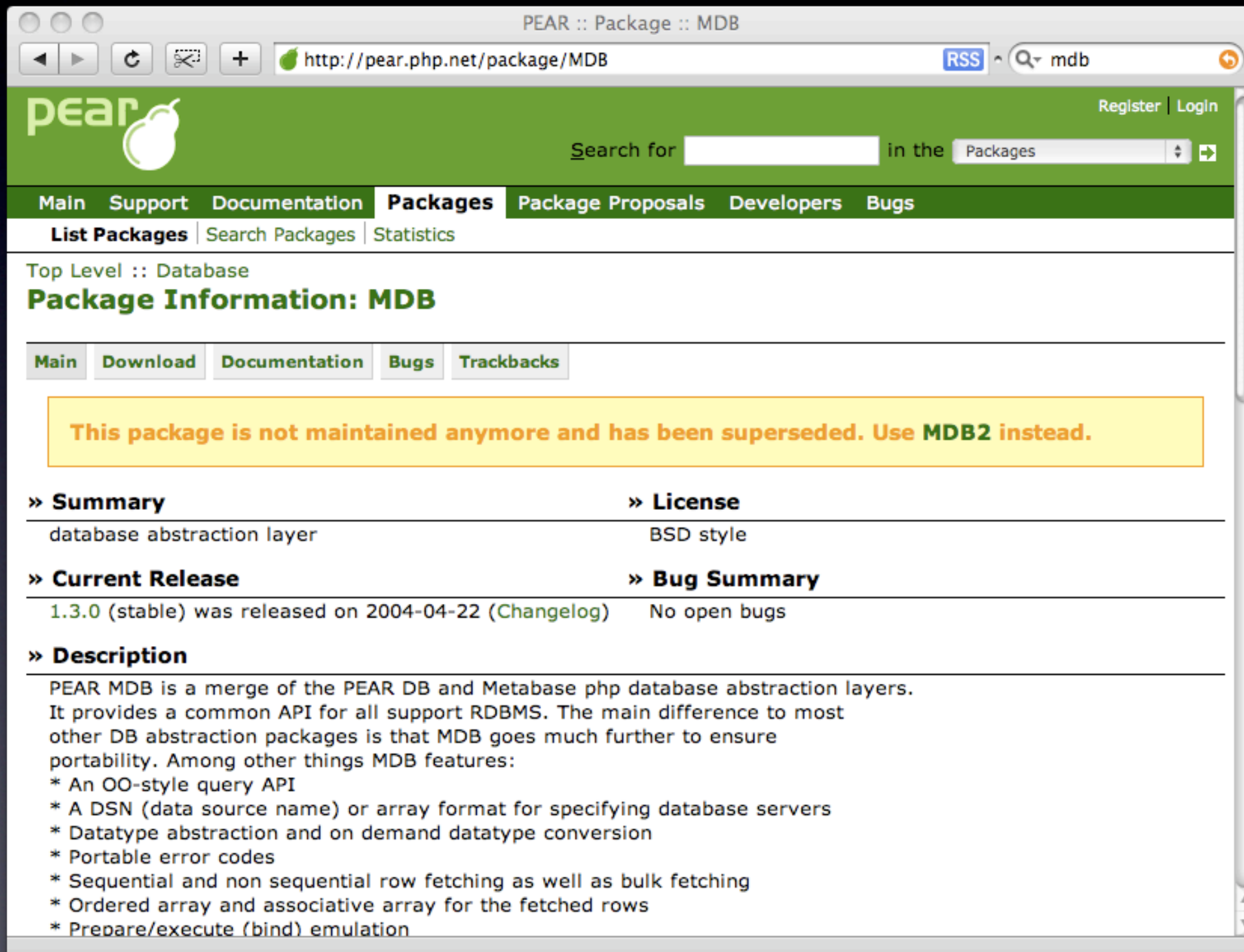
Just. Too. Much.  
... Efficiency?

Hard to engage w/  
our architecture.

*(ADOdb lite dead?)*



# MDB



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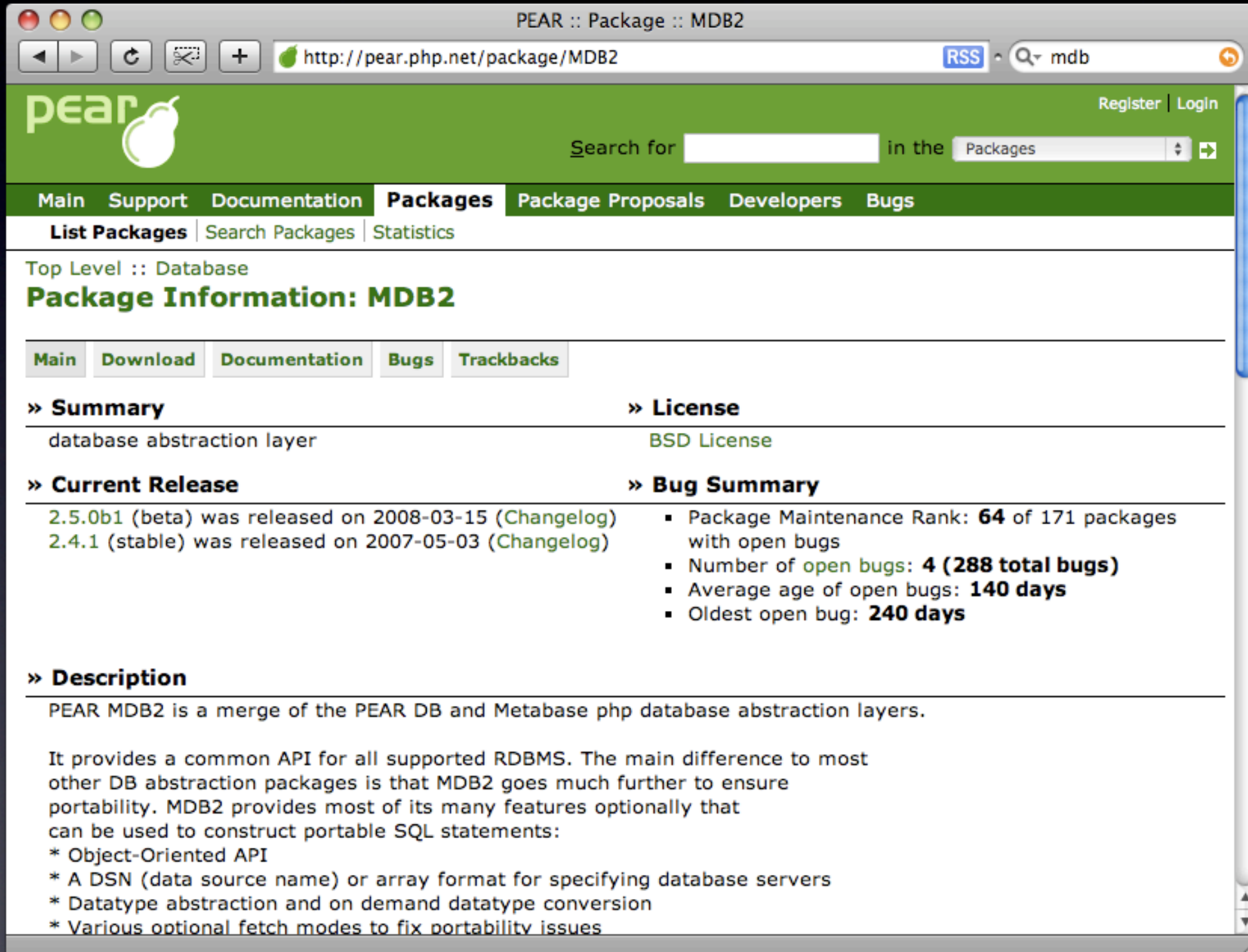
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**This package is not maintained anymore and has been superseded. Use MDB2 instead.**

» <b>Summary</b>	» <b>License</b>
database abstraction layer	BSD style
» <b>Current Release</b>	» <b>Bug Summary</b>
1.3.0 (stable) was released on 2004-04-22 ( <a href="#">Changelog</a> )	No open bugs
» <b>Description</b>	
<p>PEAR MDB is a merge of the PEAR DB and Metabase php database abstraction layers. It provides a common API for all support RDBMS. The main difference to most other DB abstraction packages is that MDB goes much further to ensure portability. Among other things MDB features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* An OO-style query API</li><li>* A DSN (data source name) or array format for specifying database servers</li><li>* Datatype abstraction and on demand datatype conversion</li><li>* Portable error codes</li><li>* Sequential and non sequential row fetching as well as bulk fetching</li><li>* Ordered array and associative array for the fetched rows</li><li>* Prepare/execute (bind) emulation</li></ul>	



# MDB2



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "PEAR :: Package :: MDB2". The address bar displays "http://pear.php.net/package/MDB2". The page features the PEAR logo and a search bar. The main navigation menu includes "Main", "Support", "Documentation", "Packages" (highlighted), "Package Proposals", "Developers", and "Bugs". Below this, there are links for "List Packages", "Search Packages", and "Statistics". The page content is titled "Top Level :: Database" and "Package Information: MDB2". It includes tabs for "Main", "Download", "Documentation", "Bugs", and "Trackbacks". The "Main" tab is active, showing sections for "Summary", "License", "Current Release", "Bug Summary", and "Description".

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» **Summary**

database abstraction layer

» **License**

BSD License

» **Current Release**

2.5.0b1 (beta) was released on 2008-03-15 ([Changelog](#))  
2.4.1 (stable) was released on 2007-05-03 ([Changelog](#))

» **Bug Summary**

- Package Maintenance Rank: **64** of 171 packages with open bugs
- Number of open bugs: **4 (288 total bugs)**
- Average age of open bugs: **140 days**
- Oldest open bug: **240 days**

» **Description**

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It provides a common API for all supported RDBMS. The main difference to most other DB abstraction packages is that MDB2 goes much further to ensure portability. MDB2 provides most of its many features optionally that can be used to construct portable SQL statements:

- \* Object-Oriented API
- \* A DSN (data source name) or array format for specifying database servers
- \* Datatype abstraction and on demand datatype conversion
- \* Various optional fetch modes to fix portability issues



# MDB 2

```
<?php
require_once 'MDB2.php';

$mdb2 =& MDB2::connect('mysql://usr:pw@localhost/dbname');
if (PEAR::isError($mdb2)) die($mdb2->getMessage());

$res =& $mdb2->query('SELECT * FROM clients');
if (PEAR::isError($res)) { die($res->getMessage());

...

?>
```



# MDB 2

Abstraction  
(MySQL, Postgres...)

Similar to ADOdb  
but less ambitious

PEAR (*Conventions*)

Docs, Active?

BSD

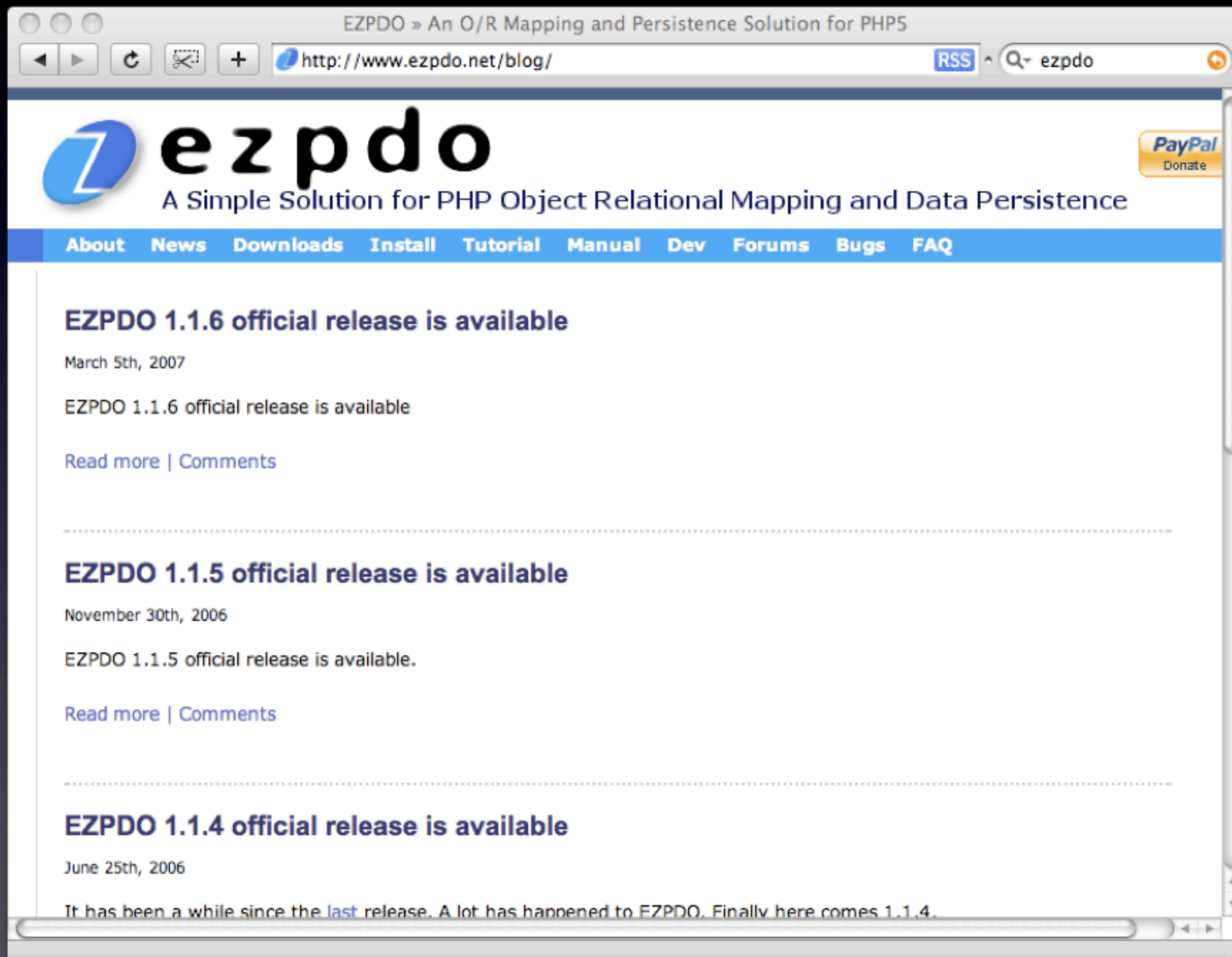
Didn't engage with  
our architecture.  
(PHP4 compatible).

Requires PEAR

Slowish dev?



# EZPDO





# EZPDO

**Code comments build database, and define ORM.**

```
<?php
/**
 * Class of a book
 * @orm mysql://username:password@localhost/ezpdo
 */

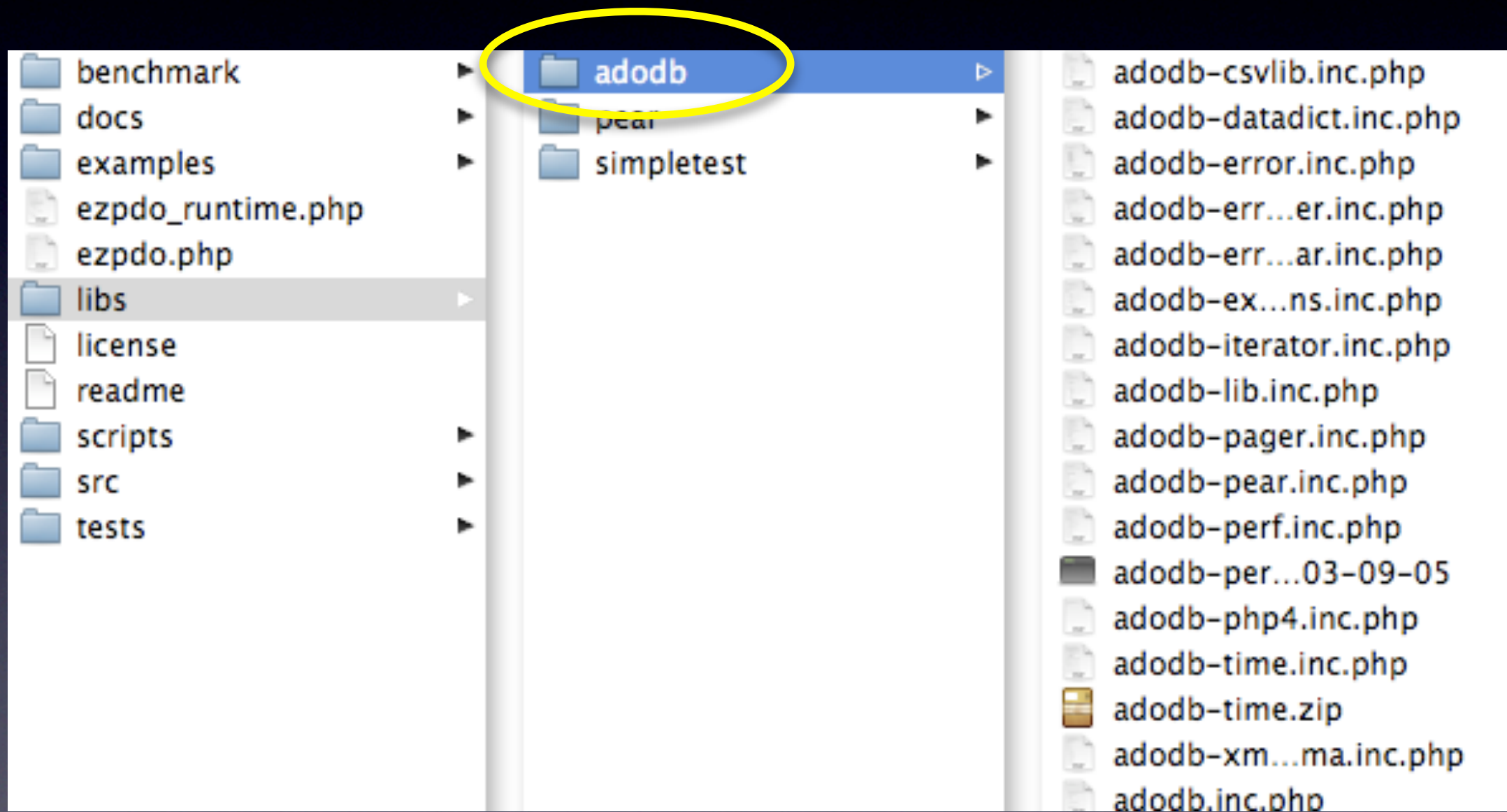
class Book {
    /**
     * @orm char(64)
     */
    public $title;

    /**
     * @orm char(32)
     */
    public $author;

    // Your regular code for the class here.
}
?>
```



# EZPDO





# EZPDO

PHP5 ORM

Very easy to learn

Sits on top of  
ADODb or other  
abstraction layers

BSD

Provides an ORM  
and we didn't need  
to replace the one  
we already had.

Comments as code?

Slow development?





# PHP Data Objects...



# What is PDO?

- Data *access* abstraction layer.
- Consistently named functions across different database drivers.
- Object oriented. PHP language clean-up.
- Tidier code through exceptions.
- Faster safer SQL with prepared stmts.



# What is PDO?

Does small number of things really well

Didn't overlap our code

Fast (*PHP5, compiled*)

Official, evangelized

Modern architecture

Lacks SQL syntax compatibility filter

Lacks rich set of methods (e.g. *inspect/modify schema*)

Slow PHP5 adoption hurts




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## PDO Functions

### Introduction

The PHP Data Objects (PDO) extension defines a lightweight, consistent interface for accessing databases in PHP. Each database driver that implements the PDO interface can expose database-specific features as regular extension functions. Note that you cannot perform any database functions using the PDO extension by itself; you must use a [database-specific PDO driver](#) to access a database server.

PDO provides a **data-access** abstraction layer, which means that, regardless of which database you're using, you use the same functions to issue queries and fetch data. PDO does **not** provide a **database** abstraction; it doesn't rewrite SQL or emulate missing features. You should use a full-blown abstraction layer if you need that facility.

PDO ships with PHP 5.1, and is available as a PECL extension for PHP 5.0; PDO requires the new OO features in the core of PHP 5, and so will not run with earlier versions of PHP.

### Installation

#### PHP 5.1 and up on Unix systems

- If you're running a PHP 5.1 release, PDO and [PDO\\_SQLITE](#) is included in the



# Old school

- `mysql_connect($host, $user, $password);`  
`mysql_select_db($db);`
- `sqlite_open($db, 0666);`
- `pg_connect("host=$host dbname=$db`  
`user=$user password=$password");`



# New school

```
$dsn = "sqlite:/var/mydata.db";
```

```
$user = "siggy";
```

```
$pwd = "qwertyuiop";
```

```
$conn = new PDO("$dsn", $user, $pwd);
```



# Easy to switch...

```
$make = "Ford";
```

```
$make = "Ford; DROP DATABASE users;"; // exploit
```

```
$m = mysql_real_escape_string($make);
```

```
$m = $conn->quote($make);
```

```
$q = mysql_query("SELECT sum(price) FROM cars WHERE make='$m'");
```

```
$q = $conn->query("SELECT sum(price) FROM cars WHERE make='$m'");
```

```
while($r = mysql_fetch_assoc($q)) { echo $r['make']; }
```

```
while($r = $q->fetch(PDO::FETCH_ASSOC)) { echo $r['make']; }
```

```
mysql_close();
```

```
$conn = null;
```



# Prepared statements

```
$authors = array( ... ); // imagine 100 records each with several fields
```

```
foreach ($authors as $person)
{
    $conn->query("INSERT INTO authors(firstname, surname, email, phone)
                VALUES ( " . $conn->quote($staff[firstname]) . "," .
                        $conn->quote($staff[surname]) . "," .
                        ... .. " )");
}
```

```
// or, with the Scout's motto...
```

```
$stmt = $conn->prepare('INSERT INTO authors(firstname, surname, email, phone)
                    VALUES(?, ?, ?,?)');

foreach($authors as $person)
{
    $stmt->execute( $person['firstname'], $author['surname'], $author['email'], ... );
}
```

```
// Second example executes quicker, is safer, and has clearer code...
```



# Exceptions & Transactions

```
$conn->beginTransaction();
```

```
try
```

```
{
```

```
    $conn->query("UPDATE accounts SET balance=balance-100 WHERE id=$me");
```

```
    $conn->query("UPDATE accounts SET balance=balance+100 WHERE id=$you");
```

```
    $conn->commit();
```

```
    echo "Funds transferred.";
```

```
}
```

```
catch(PDOException $e)
```

```
{
```

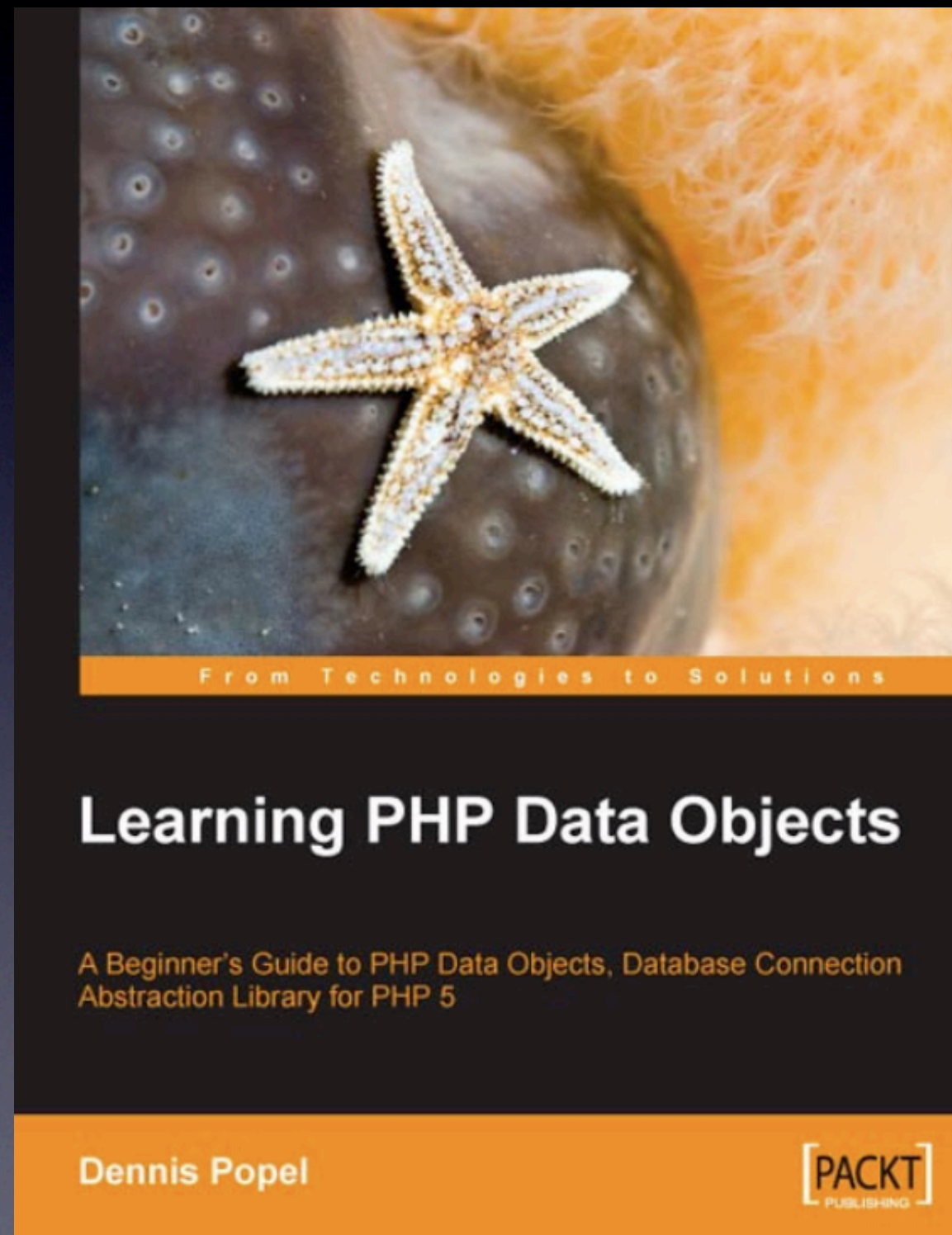
```
    $conn->rollBack();
```

```
    throw $e;
```

```
}
```



# Learn more...





A large flock of birds, likely geese, is captured in flight against a dramatic, cloudy sky. The birds are arranged in a classic V-formation, with several smaller groups scattered throughout the frame. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the clouds and the silhouettes of the birds.

# Migrating to PDO



# Migrating safely

- Consider adding PDO support while keeping mysql\_\* support for compatibility.
- Unit tests.
- Check databases mirror.



# Pretty, Versatile SQL

```
select *
```

```
select *
```

```
select *
```



postgres is "

create table with "cars"  
must select as "cars"

```
SELECT
`Authors`.`Firstname`,
`Authors`.`Surname`
FROM
`Database`.`Authors`
WHERE `` ORDER ``
```



INSERT INTO  
CUSTOMERS

~~SET X=1,Y=2~~

(X,Y)

VALUES (1, 2)









# Dealing with differences



# The Norm.

```
if ( mysql_version > 5.2.88.28.8 {  
    $sql = "INSERT INTO table SET a=1";  
}  
  
elseif ( $mysql_version < 5.2.88.22.8 &&  
        $mysql_version > 4.0.23 {  
    $sql = "INSERT INTO table";  
}  
  
else  
{  
    $sql = "INSER";  
}
```



# Better?

```
$query = array(  
    "mysql" => array(  
        "6.0.0" => "SELECT * from cutting_edge",  
        "5.0.15" => ..., //MySQL 5.0.15 <= x < 6  
        "default" => ... //Older...  
    ),  
  
    "pgsql" => "SELECT ...", // Any version  
    "mssql" => ...  
);
```

```
DB::switched_query($query);
```



# Better?

```
$query = array(  
    "mysql" => array(  
        "6.0.0" => ..., //MySQL alpha release  
"5.0.15" => ..., //MySQL 5.0.15 and newer  
"default" => ... //Older...  
    ),  
  
    "pgsql" => "SELECT ...", // Any version  
    "mssql" => ...  
);
```

```
DB::switched_query($query);
```





WILL END IN SADNESS



```
class database {  
    function query()  
    function num_rows()
```

```
class mysql {  
    function connect()  
    function insert_row()  
    function build_table()  
}
```

```
class pgsql {  
    function connect()  
    function insert_row()  
    function build_table()  
    function num_rows()  
}
```

```
}
```

```
$db = new mysql/pgsql(); //use factory class  
$db->query("SELECT * FROM table");  
print_r( $db->getrow() );  
$db->insertRow();
```



# Thanks!

Slides, links, resources at  
[silverstripe.com/pdo-talk](http://silverstripe.com/pdo-talk)

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