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ABSTRACT

In this paper we describe the formatting requirements for iRODS User Group Meeting (UGM) 2017 Proceedings and offer some writing recommendations. Please review and follow this document even if you have submitted to iRODS meetings before. We have endeavored to select a format that is consistent with the spirit of the iRODS UGM and readable both on the screen and on the printed page. Please note that: (1) papers should be submitted as a single PDF file; (2) papers should be 4-10 pages in length—page count will vary depending on figures, tables, bibliography, etc.; (3) figures may be in color, but should be legible in black and white; and (4) citations should conform to the IEEE numbered citation style. Thank you for submitting to the iRODS User Group Meeting!

Keywords

Guides, instructions, author's kit, meeting publications.

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ReplicateAllFilesWithExtension {
    *Query = SELECT COLL_NAME, DATA_NAME WHERE DATA_NAME LIKE "%.*Extension";
    foreach(*Row in *Query) {
        *SourceFile = *Row.COLL_NAME++/"++*Row.DATA_NAME;
        msiDataObjRepl(*SourceFile,"destRescName=*Resource",*Status);
        writeLine("stdout","Replicated *SourceFile to *Resource");
    }
}
INPUT *Extension="txt", *Resource="backupResc"
OUTPUT ruleExecOut

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As May [2] has shown, design patterns are critical for enabling code re-use.

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CONCLUSION

We have instituted a template for several reasons: we want the proceedings to have a consistent and professional look, and we are applying readability guidelines to dictate some important layout parameters.

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