

FileTek's Database Interconnect

Providing Universal Connectivity Between StorHouse and Client Applications

StorHouse Business Benefits

■ 360° Enterprise View

By archiving all enterprise relational data at its most granular level, enterprises never lose important information that fuels future business decisions.

■ Support for Business-Critical Initiatives

StorHouse with Database Interconnect provides access to, and management of, data critical for generating CRM analytics, ERP initiatives, data warehousing projects, and clickstream analysis.

■ Rapid Information Access

StorHouse-managed data is kept near-line and available to front-end applications via Database Interconnect. StorHouse provides data availability without the delays typically associated with offline storage.

■ Reduced IT Costs

StorHouse extends the capability of operational databases to significantly reduce storage, storage management, and systems and database administration costs.

Available on request, FileTek's Database Interconnect enables connectivity between StorHouse and the most widely used databases and analytical tools. Database Interconnect permits analytical, reporting, and other applications using ODBC, ADO, or JDBC to access StorHouse relational database management systems. It also allows database federators, such as Oracle Heterogeneous Services (HS) and Microsoft SQL Server, to process complex queries that reference tables in StorHouse and other databases.

FileTek's Database Interconnect consists of universal, thin-client components (ODBC, JDBC, or ADO) and the Database Interconnect Server. The Database Interconnect client component is available for all industry-leading relational data stores including Sybase, Oracle, Informix, Microsoft SQL Server, CA-OpenIngres, VSAM, IMS/DB, and IBM DB2 (including DB2 for OS/390 and AS/400 as well as the IBM DB2 family for NT and AIX). With Database Interconnect, StorHouse provides unprecedented scalability to existing relational databases, enhancing their performance by off-loading historical data to a near-line archive.

The Power of StorHouse

StorHouse manages historical enterprise data assets. In addition, StorHouse supports direct, row-level access to relational data located on any media in the storage architecture, including tape. Its flexible architecture brings cost-effective media (e.g., tape) near-line, while also managing disk and optical systems.

As data volumes increase exponentially over time, the sheer volume of information to be stored and accessed can degrade database performance. StorHouse eliminates this problem by serving as an active archive for historical data that can be easily accessed through Database Interconnect. With historical data on StorHouse, front-end databases are free to process active data at peak performance levels.

The Power of Universal Connectivity

Database Interconnect is a customized adaptation of DataDirect Technologies' (formerly MERANT) DataDirect SequeLink® Server, designed especially for StorHouse. Database Interconnect provides a client/server solution for database access, including value-added features above and beyond typical networking middleware from database vendors. These include a single universal standards-based client for accessing all databases, performance optimizations, data and user security, simplified administration facilities, and robust database functionality.

StorHouse Technical Benefits

- **Investment Protection**
With StorHouse and Database Interconnect, there is no need to spend valuable resources on new hardware, software, additional DBA staff, or training in new database coding languages. All existing systems and support stay intact, with the benefit of increased power and functionality.
- **Database Performance**
By off-loading historical data to StorHouse for safekeeping, management, and access, front-end databases can process more manageable volumes of data at higher speeds. Existing database performance is markedly increased.
- **Reduced Backup Windows**
The volume of data managed on the front-end database can be reduced to minimize database backup windows. StorHouse automatically creates its own backups.
- **Network Performance**
Applications selectively access only the data required to satisfy a request, not whole files of extraneous information. Less data is moved around corporate networks.

StorHouse with Database Interconnect is the best choice for enterprises seeking to maximize their current database performance without compromising the integrity of their data. It offers an easy, cost-effective, proven data management solution.

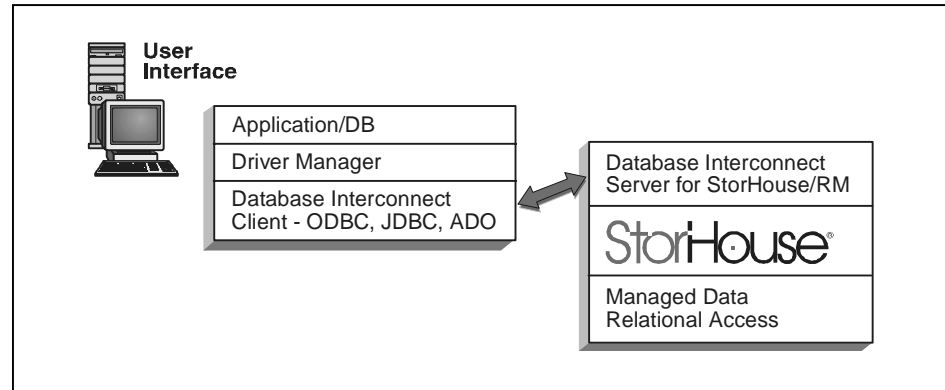


Figure 1: StorHouse with Database Interconnect

Client Requirements

Platforms Supported: Windows 3.1+, 95, 98, NT, and 2000, Sun Solaris SPARC, HP-UX, IBM, AIX, and Irix

Databases Supported: Clipper, dBASE, DB2, Centura SQLBase, Excel, FoxPro, INFORMIX, Ingres, CA-OpenIngres, Oracle, Paradox, Pervasive SQL, PROGRESS, Scalable SQL, Microsoft SQL Server, Sybase Adaptive Server Enterprise, Sybase SQL Server, Sybase SQL Server 10 and SQL Server 11, Text Files, and XML

Server Requirements

Sun Solaris 2.6 or higher

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