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Here is the space token information provider for dCache for those who are interested. It needs `psycopg2` which is a python wrapper for postgres. It can be installed anywhere but you need to symlink it to `/opt/lcg/var/gip/provider/token_info_provider`.

It collects the information from the `srmspace` table of the `dcache` database on the `srn` node. It selects reservations with `state=0` (of which I think it means "reserved") and a `creationtime+lifetime` that is greater than the present time, or a `lifetime` that is `-1`, a `vogroup` that is not null and a `description` that is not null and not equal to `srn2_t?d?`. So you are basically left with the static reservations by the site admin.

The information that needs to be provided to the script is the information needed to access the `srn` door's postgres database. You could create a special user for this having only permission to do "select" on the `srmspace` table. Further, you need to provide the host name of the machine running the `srn` door and the generic path like `/pnfs/<domainname>/data/`.

By the way, according to the **SrmSpaceManager** cell, `lifetime` is in milliseconds. Further, it appears that the `creationtime` is local time instead of UTC which can give interesting effects when doing a space reservation when clocks are adjusted.

- `token_info_provider`

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