

# PDO

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## Question

Q: Why do I get the error message

\*\*\* Could not find data for default time zone, using GMT

when running my program on PDO 4.2? The same program runs fine on OPENSTEP 4.2.

## Answer

A: This error is caused when the `/etc/zoneinfo/localtime` symbolic link is missing or pointing to a non-existing directory. This problem can happen after running the PDO 4.2 Install Script.

To fix the problem, you should su to root and do the following:

- 1) Remove the symbolic link if it exists.
- 2) Recreate the symbolic link with something like:

```
cd /etc/zoneinfo
ln -s US/Pacific localtime
```

You can get a list of all the available timezones under the `/etc/zoneinfo` directory.

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