

Database Operations

Introduction

The database service in Supabase is a managed PostgreSQL instance. It offers SQL capabilities, auto-generated APIs, and real-time data updates.

Connecting to the Database

The Python client interacts with the database using REST interfaces automatically generated for your tables.

Example:

```
data = supabase.table("users").select("*").execute()
print(data)
```

Inserting Data

```
new_user = {"name": "John", "age": 30}
supabase.table("users").insert(new_user).execute()
```

Updating Data

```
supabase.table("users").update({"age": 31}).eq("name", "John").execute()
```

Deleting Data

```
supabase.table("users").delete().eq("name", "John").execute()
```

Real-time Queries

Supabase allows you to subscribe to real-time changes:

```
def on_update(payload):
    print("Update:", payload)
    supabase.table("messages").on("UPDATE", on_update).subscribe()
```

SQL Editor

In addition to the Python client, Supabase provides an in-browser SQL editor to run custom queries, manage schemas, and view results.

Relationships

Supabase fully supports foreign keys, joins, and constraints — everything you'd expect from PostgreSQL.

Performance Tips

- Index frequently queried columns.
- Use pagination for large datasets.
- Limit data fetches to avoid unnecessary payloads.

Summary

Supabase provides a powerful, fully managed PostgreSQL database accessible via REST or real-time APIs — combining the reliability of SQL with the ease of modern backend tools.