

# SQLite3 and Python Primer

CMPSC 305 – Database Systems



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# Big Data

- Upwards of 2.7 Zetabytes of data exist in the digital universe
- YouTube users upload 48 hours of new video every minute
- Increase in unstructured data: text, photos, etc.  
<https://www.waterfordtechnologies.com/big-data-interesting-facts/>

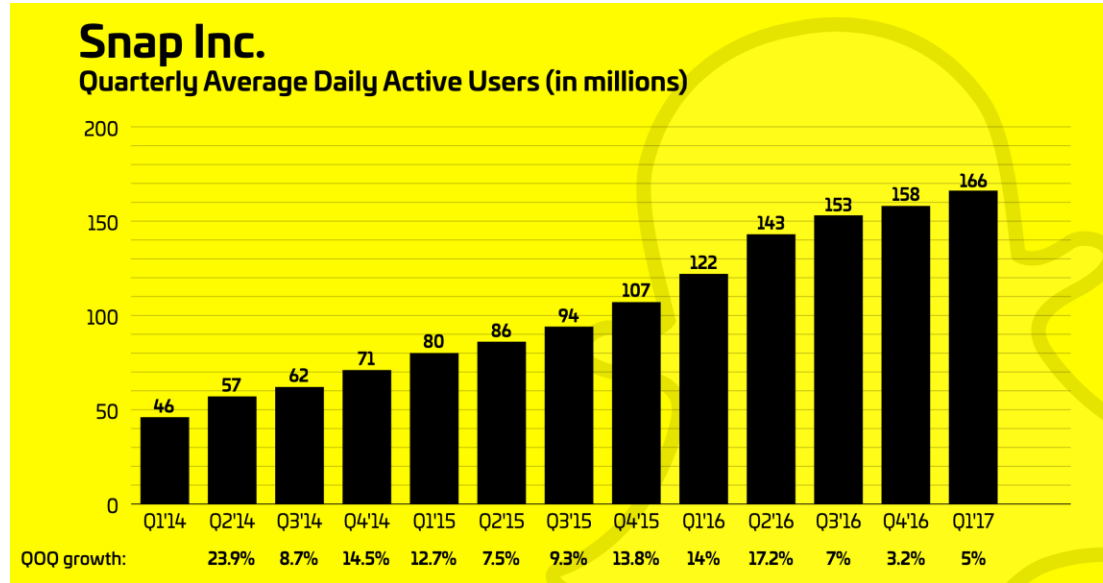
Multiples of bytes						V•T•E
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1000	kB	kilobyte	1024	KiB kibibyte	KB kilobyte	
1000 <sup>2</sup>	MB	megabyte	1024 <sup>2</sup>	MiB mebibyte	MB megabyte	
1000 <sup>3</sup>	GB	gigabyte	1024 <sup>3</sup>	GiB gibibyte	GB gigabyte	
1000 <sup>4</sup>	TB	terabyte	1024 <sup>4</sup>	TiB tebibyte	—	
1000 <sup>5</sup>	PB	petabyte	1024 <sup>5</sup>	PiB pebibyte	—	
1000 <sup>6</sup>	EB	exabyte	1024 <sup>6</sup>	EiB exbibyte	—	
1000 <sup>7</sup>	ZB	zettabyte	1024 <sup>7</sup>	ZiB zebibyte	—	
1000 <sup>8</sup>	YB	yottabyte	1024 <sup>8</sup>	YiB yobibyte	—	
Orders of magnitude of data						

## Facebook's Daily Data Use

Facebook processes:

- 2.5 billion pieces of content
- Upwards of 500 terabytes of data each day from status and location details
- Processing in 2.7 billion Like actions
- 300 million photos per day
- Scans roughly 105 terabytes of data each half hour
- 100 petabytes of data are stored in a single Hadoop disk cluster (a distributed system for data management)

## Current Estimates for Users Online



- Facebook: 2.7 Billion Active users
- Amazon: 112 Million (US users)
- SnapChat: 238 million daily active users worldwide
- Google: 4.39 Billion internet users (worldwide)
- Instagram: 1 Billion monthly active users, 500 Million each day.

Lots of names, photos, passwords and posts to record!

How are we to manage all this data?



Automate the database management processes using software!!

# Standardized Database Access with Python

## PEP 0249

- Python Database API Specification v2.0
- <https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0249/>
- A standard API to encourage similarity between the Python modules used for accessing databases.
- Does not provide a library nor a module, just specifications on how to make them
- Third party modules may adhere to these specifications

# Steps to run a command in SQL using Python

Five basic steps to using a database according to the Python Database API Specification v2.0

## Building automated framework in Python3

- Step 1: Defining the query
- Step 2: Connecting to the database
- Step 3: Execute the query
- Step 4i, (SELECT): Analyze the result
- Step 4ii, or (UPDATE): Commit the change
- Step 5: Cleaning up; close the database connection

Nice tutorial: [http://sebastianraschka.com/Articles/2014\\_sqlite\\_in\\_python\\_tutorial.html](http://sebastianraschka.com/Articles/2014_sqlite_in_python_tutorial.html)



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
LET'S  
CODE**



# Setting Up Virtual Environment

- Create a project directory

```
mkdir week08  
cd week08
```

- Create virtual environment using Python

```
python3 -m venv myenv  
# see the file tree  
find . -not -path '*\.*'
```

- Activate myenv the virtual environment

```
source myenv/bin/activate # macOS/Linux  
myenv\Scripts\activate   # Windows
```

- Deactivate the virtual environment

```
deactivate
```

# Making Useful Strings

## A concatenated string

Note the 'f' before the quotes to enable formatting

```
myCollege_str = "Allegheny"  
mesg_str = f"I go to {myCollege_str }!!"  
print(mesg_str)
```

```
myCollege_str = "Allegheny"  
myMajor_str = "CompSci"  
mesg_str = f"At {myCollege_str}, my major is {myMajor_str}"  
print(mesg_str)
```

Adding quotes: note the forward slashes in strings

```
iSay_str = "Cool"  
mesg_str = f"They say it is a \"{iSay_str}\" major"  
print(mesg_str)
```

# Making Useful Strings

## A concatenated string

- Queries are strings of code that can be created by Python.
- These queries can be sent to database management software

### Making a Query Statement

```
table_str = "Instructor"  
a1_str = "deptName"  
a2_str = "course"  
name_str = "Miller"
```

```
myQuery_str = f"SELECT {a1_str}, {a2_str} FROM {table_str} WHERE name == \"{name_str}\""
```

```
print(myQuery_str)
```

# Making Useful Strings

A concatenated string

Making An Insert Statement

```
myTable = "Instructor"  
PersonID = "10101"  
name_str = "Miller"  
student = "S1"
```

```
insert_str = f"INSERT INTO {myTable} VALUES({PersonID}, \"{name_str}\", \"{student}\")"
```

```
print(insert_str)
```

Choose variable names that make sense to your code!

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

## Let's Try It Out!

- Locate the sandbox database builder file sandbox/campusDB build.txt and make your DB.
- Call up your favourite editor and let's begin programming.

# Automatic CREATE and INSERT statements using SQLite3

```
# The database managing code begins here. This code creates  
# the schema in order to place data into tables.  
#  
# Usage: python3 simpleInsert1.py  
# Outputs text and a table.  
# Requirement: None
```

```
import sqlite3
```

```
dbFilename_str = "myDB_i.sqlite3" #establish the DB file  
conn = sqlite3.connect(dbFilename_str) # open connection to the DB
```

```
print("\t _____")  
print("\n\t Program to demo automatic INSERT statements using SQLite3")  
print("\t ----- \n")
```

# Automatic CREATE statements using SQLite3

```
myTable_str = "StudyMusic" #define the table
attribute1_str = "id INTEGER NOT NULL " # define first attribute statement
attribute2_str = "favSong VARCHAR" # define first attribute statement
attribute3_str = "BandName VARCHAR" # define first attribute statement
```

```
# Create the table creation string
myCreation_str = f"CREATE TABLE {myTable_str} ({attribute1_str}, {attribute2_str}, {attribute3_str})"
```

# Automatic CREATE statements using SQLite3

try:

```
print(f"\t my insert: {myCreation_str}")
```

```
# pass the table building string to sqlite3 library
```

```
conn.execute(myCreation_str)
```

```
# Save (i.e., commit) the changes
```

```
conn.commit()
```

```
except sqlite3.OperationalError: # does the table already exist? If so, ignore creation statement
```

```
print("\t [-] Note: The table already exists.")
```



# Automatic INSERT statements using SQLite3

# Insert a row of data

```
myTable_str = "StudyMusic" # define the table
```

```
attrID_str = "10"
```

```
attrSONG_str = "Yello Submarine"
```

```
attrARTIST_str = "The Beatles"
```

```
print(f"\t [+] Simple INSERT into Table {myTable_str}")
```

# Automatic INSERT statements using SQLite3

# define the insert statement

```
myInsert_str = f"INSERT INTO {myTable_str} VALUES ({attrID_str}, \"{attrSONG_str}\", \"{attrARTIST_str}\")"
```

```
print(f"\t[+] my insert statement {myInsert_str}")
```

# pass the INSERT string to sqlite3 library

```
conn.execute(myInsert_str)
```

# Save (i.e., commit) the changes

```
conn.commit()
```

# Automatic QUERY statements using SQLite3

```
# Do a simple query to check that insert worked
myQuery_str = f"SELECT * FROM {myTable_str}"
result = conn.execute(myQuery_str) # run the query
tables = result.fetchall() # collect query for processing
print("\t "+myQuery_str)
print("\t [+] Results: ")
for i in tables:
    print(f"\t {i}") # show results of query

conn.close() # close the database connection
```

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
import sqlite3

name_str = "hz"

DB_FILE = "myCampusDB.sqlite3"

def connect():
    conn = sqlite3.connect(DB_FILE)
    conn.row_factory = sqlite3.Row
    conn.execute("PRAGMA foreign_keys = ON;")
    return conn
```

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
def list_tables(conn):
    results = conn.execute("SELECT name FROM sqlite_master WHERE
type='table' AND name NOT LIKE 'sqlite_%';")
    rows = results.fetchall()
    if not rows:
        print("(no tables found)")
    else:
        print("Tables:")
        for r in rows:
            print(" -", r[0])
```

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
def show_schema(conn, table=None):  
    results = conn.execute("SELECT name, sql FROM sqlite_master WHERE type='table' AND  
name NOT LIKE 'sqlite_%';")  
    for row in results.fetchall():  
        print(row["sql"])  
        print()
```

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
def collect_sql():  
    print("Enter a SELECT statement (end with semicolon ';'):")  
    buf = [] # creates an empty list  
    while True:  
        line = input("sql> ")  
        buf.append(line)  
        if ";" in line:  
            break  
    return "\n".join(buf)
```

# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
def run_select(conn):
    sql = collect_sql()
    if not sql.strip().lower().startswith("select"):
        print("Only SELECT statements are allowed here.")
        return

    try:
        results = conn.execute(sql) # ! the sqlite3 library sends the SQL text you typed directly to
the SQLite engine.

        rows = results.fetchall()
        if not rows:
            print("(no rows)")

        else:
            for row in rows:
                print(tuple(row)) # simple tuple output

    except sqlite3.Error as e:
        print(f"SQLite error: {e}")
```



# Python: A Database Management System (DMS)

```
def main():
    print("\nHi,", name_str, "! Simple DBMS loaded.\n")
    conn = connect()
    while True:
        print("\nMenu:")
        print(" 1) List tables")
        print(" 2) Show schema")
        print(" 3) Run SELECT")
        print(" q) Quit")
        choice = input("Choose (1-3 or q): ").strip().lower()

        if choice == "1":
            list_tables(conn)
        elif choice == "2":
            show_schema(conn)
        elif choice == "3":
            run_select(conn)
        elif choice == "q":
            print("Goodbye!")
            break
        else:
            print("Invalid choice. Try again.")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

## Now Modify Your DMS!

### Do Something Different!

- Try adding query code for other tables.
- What attributes can you query?
- Can you write code for a query involving two tables?

