

From SQL Database to Excel with Python

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1 I am new to Python. I've successfully connected to my SQL database via an odbc connection and I am pulling data from a table. How do I then get that data into a Excel workbook. Preferably using the xlswriter module.

```
import pyodbc
cnxn = pyodbc.connect('DRIVER={SQL Server};SERVER=SQLSERVER;PORT=XX;
DATABASE=dbname;UID=sa;PWD=##')
cursor = cnxn.cursor()
cursor.execute("select * from T1 where C2 not like '%text%'")
for row in cursor:
    print row.1, row.2, row3

cursor.close()
cnxn.close()
```

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pandas is the easiest bet for this. Here's an example using sqlite as the database backend:

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In [38]: `import pandas as pd`

In [39]: `df`

Out[39]:

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0.092719	0.664147	0.677834	0.605845	0.569223
1	0.656272	0.321661	0.294219	0.818676	0.010610
2	0.041692	0.721683	0.163525	0.175113	0.580234
3	0.852775	0.106076	0.049080	0.649362	0.265763
4	0.481842	0.942276	0.462951	0.386705	0.205302

In [40]: `df.to_sql("tbl", sqlite3.connect("test.sqlite"), index=False)`

In [41]: `new_df = pd.read_sql("select * from tbl",
sqlite3.connect("test.sqlite"))`

In [42]: `new_df`

Out[42]:

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0.092719	0.664147	0.677834	0.605845	0.569223
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In [43]: `new_df.to_excel("out.xlsx")`

Lines 41 and 43 are the main ones, and this results in a single sheet Excel doc named `out.xlsx` in the current folder.

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Since you already have your data, it seems like your question is simply how to get your data into Excel. Let's say you have data in an object named `rows`, which is a list of result rows.

```
import xlswriter
workbook = xlswriter.Workbook('YourResults.xlsx')
worksheet = workbook.add_worksheet()

row = 0
col = 0

for row_data in rows:
    worksheet.write(row, col, row_data.1)
    worksheet.write(row, col+1, row_data.2)
    worksheet.write(row, col+2, row_data.3)
    row += 1

workbook.close()
```

This should write rows of data to your spreadsheet. You can view the `xlswriter` tutorial here: <https://xlswriter.readthedocs.io/tutorial01.html>

Just as an aside, you can also access SQL and Excel via ADO (using COM), however, if you're just beginning with Python, that might be a bit more challenging. If you're interested in looking at that later, here's a primer on ADO in python: <http://mayukhbose.com/python/ado/index.php>

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