

# DB0201EN-Week3-1-2-Querying-v4-py

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Lab: Access DB2 on Cloud using Python

## 1 Introduction

This notebook illustrates how to access your database instance using Python by following the steps below: 1. Import the `ibm_db` Python library 1. Identify and enter the database connection credentials 1. Create the database connection 1. Create a table 1. Insert data into the table 1. Query data from the table 1. Retrieve the result set into a pandas dataframe 1. Close the database connection

**Notice:** Please follow the instructions given in the first Lab of this course to Create a database service instance of Db2 on Cloud.

### 1.1 Task 1: Import the `ibm_db` Python library

The `ibm_db` [API](#) provides a variety of useful Python functions for accessing and manipulating data in an IBM® data server database, including functions for connecting to a database, preparing and issuing SQL statements, fetching rows from result sets, calling stored procedures, committing and rolling back transactions, handling errors, and retrieving metadata.

We import the `ibm_db` library into our Python Application

```
[ ]: import ibm_db
```

When the command above completes, the `ibm_db` library is loaded in your notebook.

### 1.2 Task 2: Identify the database connection credentials

Connecting to dashDB or DB2 database requires the following information: \* Driver Name \* Database name \* Host DNS name or IP address \* Host port \* Connection protocol \* User ID \* User Password

**Notice:** To obtain credentials please refer to the instructions given in the first Lab of this course  
Now enter your database credentials below

Replace the placeholder values in angular brackets <> below with your actual database credentials

e.g. replace “database” with “BLUDB”

```
[ ]: #Replace the placeholder values with the actuals for your Db2 Service Credentials
dsn_driver = "{IBM DB2 ODBC DRIVER}"
dsn_database = "database"          # e.g. "BLUDB"
```

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dsn_hostname = "hostname"          # e.g.: "dashdb-txn-sbox-yp-dal09-04.services.dal.
→bluemix.net"
dsn_port = "port"                  # e.g. "50000"
dsn_protocol = "protocol"          # i.e. "TCPIP"
dsn_uid = "username"               # e.g. "abc12345"
dsn_pwd = "password"               # e.g. "7dBZ3wWt9XN6$o0J"

```

### 1.3 Task 3: Create the database connection

Ibm\_db API uses the IBM Data Server Driver for ODBC and CLI APIs to connect to IBM DB2 and Informix.

Create the database connection

```

[: #Create database connection
#DO NOT MODIFY THIS CELL. Just RUN it with Shift + Enter
dsn = (
    "DRIVER={0};"
    "DATABASE={1};"
    "HOSTNAME={2};"
    "PORT={3};"
    "PROTOCOL={4};"
    "UID={5};"
    "PWD={6};").format(dsn_driver, dsn_database, dsn_hostname, dsn_port, dsn_protocol,
→dsn_uid, dsn_pwd)

try:
    conn = ibm_db.connect(dsn, "", "")
    print ("Connected to database: ", dsn_database, "as user: ", dsn_uid, "on host: ",
→dsn_hostname)

except:
    print ("Unable to connect: ", ibm_db.conn_errormsg() )

```

### 1.4 Task 4: Create a table in the database

In this step we will create a table in the database with following details:

```

[: #Lets first drop the table INSTRUCTOR in case it exists from a previous attempt
dropQuery = "drop table INSTRUCTOR"

#Now execute the drop statment
dropStmt = ibm_db.exec_immediate(conn, dropQuery)

```

### 1.5 Dont worry if you get this error:

If you see an exception/error similar to the following, indicating that INSTRUCTOR is an undeclared name, that's okay. It just implies that the INSTRUCTOR table does not exist in the table - which would be the case if you had not created it previously.

Exception: [IBM][CLI Driver][DB2/LINUX8664] SQL0204N "ABC12345.INSTRUCTOR" is an undefined name. SQLSTATE=42704 SQLCODE=-204

```
[ ]: #Construct the Create Table DDL statement - replace the ... with rest of the statement
createQuery = "create table INSTRUCTOR(id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
    →fname ...)"

#Now fill in the name of the method and execute the statement
createStmt = ibm_db.replace_with_name_of_execution_method(conn, createQuery)
```

Double-click [here](#) for the solution.

## 1.6 Task 5: Insert data into the table

In this step we will insert some rows of data into the table.

The INSTRUCTOR table we created in the previous step contains 3 rows of data:

We will start by inserting just the first row of data, i.e. for instructor Rav Ahuja

```
[ ]: #Construct the query - replace ... with the insert statement
insertQuery = "..."

#execute the insert statement
insertStmt = ibm_db.exec_immediate(conn, insertQuery)
```

Double-click [here](#) for the solution.

Now use a single query to insert the remaining two rows of data

```
[ ]: #replace ... with the insert statement that inserts the remaining two rows of data
insertQuery2 = "..."

#execute the statement
insertStmt2 = ibm_db.exec_immediate(conn, insertQuery2)
```

Double-click [here](#) for the solution.

## 1.7 Task 6: Query data in the table

In this step we will retrieve data we inserted into the INSTRUCTOR table.

```
[ ]: #Construct the query that retrieves all rows from the INSTRUCTOR table
selectQuery = "select * from INSTRUCTOR"

#Execute the statement
selectStmt = ibm_db.exec_immediate(conn, selectQuery)

#Fetch the Dictionary (for the first row only) - replace ... with your code
...
```

Double-click [here](#) for the solution.

```
[ ]: #Fetch the rest of the rows and print the ID and FNAME for those rows
while ibm_db.fetch_row(selectStmt) != False:
```

```
print (" ID:", ibm_db.result(selectStmt, 0), " FNAME:", ibm_db.result(selectStmt, 1),  
      →"FNAME"))
```

Double-click **here** for the solution.

Bonus: now write and execute an update statement that changes the Rav's CITY to MOOSE-TOWN

```
[ ]: #Enter your code below
```

Double-click **here** for the solution.

## 1.8 Task 7: Retrieve data into Pandas

In this step we will retrieve the contents of the INSTRUCTOR table into a Pandas dataframe

```
[ ]: import pandas  
import ibm_db_dbi
```

```
[ ]: #connection for pandas  
pconn = ibm_db_dbi.Connection(conn)
```

```
[ ]: #query statement to retrieve all rows in INSTRUCTOR table  
selectQuery = "select * from INSTRUCTOR"  
  
#retrieve the query results into a pandas dataframe  
pdf = pandas.read_sql(selectQuery, pconn)  
  
#print just the LNAME for first row in the pandas data frame  
pdf.LNAME[0]
```

```
[ ]: #print the entire data frame  
pdf
```

Once the data is in a Pandas dataframe, you can do the typical pandas operations on it.

For example you can use the shape method to see how many rows and columns are in the dataframe

```
[ ]: pdf.shape
```

## 1.9 Task 8: Close the Connection

We free all resources by closing the connection. Remember that it is always important to close connections so that we can avoid unused connections taking up resources.

```
[ ]: ibm_db.close(conn)
```

## 1.10 Summary

In this tutorial you established a connection to a database instance of DB2 Warehouse on Cloud from a Python notebook using ibm\_db API. Then created a table and insert a few rows of data into it. Then queried the data. You also retrieved the data into a pandas dataframe.

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