

1) Database basics

a) Database tables

- i) Stored on disk → can be larger
- ii) Indexes → can find rows without looking at every row
- iii) Row oriented → information stored in rows, not values stored in columns
 - (1) More modern ones (like ones in R) are column-oriented → for more analytical purposes

b) Database management systems (DBMS)

- i) Client server → central server that clients can connect to with their personal devices
- ii) Cloud → managed by a cloud provider but can be connected to and used (good for TB of data)
- iii) In-process → stored on computer

2) Connecting to a database w/ R

- a) DBI (database interface) → provides set of generic functions to connect to database and run SQL queries
- b) Also need a package that translates DBI commands into specific ones needed for any given DBMS
 - i) *The odbc package usually works for a lot of different DBMS
- c) Create connection w/ DBI::dbConnect()
 - i) Arguments include where it lives and the credentials needed to access it
- d) Loading data
 - i) Ex:

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In a real project, we would use `duckdb_read_csv()` to store data directly into the `duckdb` database without first having to read it into R.

In the toy example below, we have a dataset on Spotify songs (`all_spotify_songs.csv`) and store in a database table called "songs":  
``  
{r eval=FALSE}  
duckdb_read_csv(con, "songs", "https://hash-mac.github.io/stat212site-f25/relative/path/to/all_spotify_songs.csv")  
``

Here, we'll use datasets from the `nycflights13` package.

The `DBI` package provides the `dbWriteTable()` function to write dataset objects (in contrast to csv files) to a database:  
``  
{r}  
dbWriteTable(con, "flights", nycflights13::flights)  
dbWriteTable(con, "planes", nycflights13::planes)  
``

We can use `tbl()`, short for table, to create connections individually to the `flights` and `planes` datasets.  
``  
{r}  
flights <- tbl(con, "flights")  
planes <- tbl(con, "planes")  
``
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e) DBI basics

- i) *check that data loaded in correctly w/ dbListTables()
- ii) dbReadTable() retrieves content of the table

f) SQL basics

- i) CREATE → creates new tables
- ii) INSERT → adding data
- iii) SELECT → retrieving data (also called **queries**)

iv) Queries (made up of five main clauses)

- (1) SELECT (dplyr: select, mutate, rename, relocate)
- (2) FROM
- (3) WHERE
- (4) ORDER
- (5) ORDER BY
- (6) GROUP BY
- (7) LEFT JOIN
- (8) ON
- (9) AS