

MySQL on Mac w/ Python

This is a how-to on installing [MySQL](#), creating a simple database, and interacting with it through [Python](#).

Create a MySQL database from a .CSV file

The .CSV is exported from [pioneers.computer](#). It is based on the [Wikipedia list of pioneers in computer science](#). Here are the steps to follow:

- Install [MySQL](#) (I use [Homebrew](#)).

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ brew install mysql # already installed!
```

```
Warning: mysql 8.0.21 is already installed and up-to-date  
To reinstall 8.0.21, run `brew reinstall mysql`
```

- Start the [MySQL](#) server.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ mysql.server start
```

```
Starting MySQL  
.. SUCCESS!
```

- Create the `'mysql'@'localhost'` user, granting all privileges.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ sudo mysql
```

```
Password:
```

```
Welcome to the MySQL monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.  
Your MySQL connection id is 9  
Server version: 8.0.21 Homebrew
```

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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

```
mysql> CREATE USER 'mysql'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'mysql';  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)
```

```
mysql> GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'mysql'@'localhost';  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)
```

```
mysql> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)
```

- Include a `~/.my.cnf` file so that `LOAD DATA INFILE` will work.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ cat ~/.my.cnf
```

```
[mysqld]  
secure_file_priv = ''
```

- Create the database, table, and load the .CSV data w/ the following .SQL file.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ cat src/mysql.sql
```

```

CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS test;
USE test;

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS pioneers;
CREATE TABLE pioneers (
    last_name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    first_name VARCHAR(255) NULL,
    gender CHAR(1) NOT NULL,
    first_year SMALLINT NOT NULL,
    email_school VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    email_gmail VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL
);

LOAD DATA INFILE '~/work/mysql-example/data/pioneers.computer.csv'
    INTO TABLE pioneers
    FIELDS TERMINATED BY ','
    ENCLOSED BY '"'
    LINES TERMINATED BY '\r\n'
    IGNORE 1 ROWS;

SHOW TABLES;
SHOW COLUMNS FROM pioneers;
SELECT * FROM pioneers WHERE gender = "F";

```

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ cat data/pioneers.computer.csv
```

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Enter password:
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pioneers
Field    Type      Null      Key Default Extra
first_name varchar(255) YES      NULL
last_name  varchar(255) NO       NULL
gender    char(1) NO      NULL
first_year smallint NO      NULL
email_school varchar(255) NO      NULL
email_gmail varchar(255) NO      NULL

```

```

first_name last_name gender first_year email_school email_gmail
Frances Allen F 1970 FrancesAllen@pioneers.computer "Frances Allen
" <FrancesAllen@pioneers.computer>,
Kathleen Booth F 1947 KathleenBooth@pioneers.computer "Kathleen
Booth" <KathleenBooth@pioneers.computer>,
Lynn Conway F 1971 LynnConway@pioneers.computer "Lynn Conway"
<LynnConway@pioneers.computer>,
Elizabeth Feinler F 1974 ElizabethFeinler@pioneers.computer "Eliza
beth Feinler" <ElizabethFeinler@pioneers.computer>,
Sally Floyd F 1994 SallyFloyd@pioneers.computer "Sally Floyd"
<SallyFloyd@pioneers.computer>,
Shafi Goldwasser F 1989 ShafiGoldwasser@pioneers.computer "Shafi
Goldwasser" <ShafiGoldwasser@pioneers.computer>,
Susan Graham F 2011 SusanGraham@pioneers.computer "Susan Graham"
<SusanGraham@pioneers.computer>,
Barbara Grosz F 1986 BarbaraGrosz@pioneers.computer "Barbara Grosz
" <BarbaraGrosz@pioneers.computer>,
Margaret Hamilton F 1971 MargaretHamilton@pioneers.computer "M
argaret Hamilton" <MargaretHamilton@pioneers.computer>,
Betty Holberton F 1968 BettyHolberton@pioneers.computer "Betty
Holberton" <BettyHolberton@pioneers.computer>,
Grace Hopper F 1952 GraceHopper@pioneers.computer "Grace Hopper"
<GraceHopper@pioneers.computer>,
Barbara Liskov F 1987 BarbaraLiskov@pioneers.computer "Barbara Lisko
v" <BarbaraLiskov@pioneers.computer>,
Ada Lovelace F 1852 AdaLovelace@pioneers.computer "Ada Lovelace"
<AdaLovelace@pioneers.computer>,
Radia Perlman F 1985 RadiaPerlman@pioneers.computer "Radia Perlman
" <RadiaPerlman@pioneers.computer>,
Rózsa Péter F 1932 RózsaPéter@pioneers.computer "Rózsa Péter"
<RózsaPéter@pioneers.computer>,
Rosalind Picard F 1995 RosalindPicard@pioneers.computer "Rosal
ind Picard" <RosalindPicard@pioneers.computer>,
Jean Sammet F 1962 JeanSammet@pioneers.computer "Jean Sammet"
<JeanSammet@pioneers.computer>,
Karen Spärck Jones F 1953 KarenSpärckJones@pioneers.computer "K
aren Spärck Jones" <KarenSpärckJones@pioneers.computer>,
Sophie Wilson F 1985 SophieWilson@pioneers.computer "Sophie Wilson
" <SophieWilson@pioneers.computer>,

```

- Read this link to understand how to [export / import](#) a selection as [XML](#). For example:

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
```

```
mysql -u mysql -p --xml -e 'SELECT * FROM test.pioneers WHERE gender = "F";'
```

```
Enter password :
```

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>

<resultset statement="SELECT * FROM test.pioneers WHERE gender = &quot;F&q
uot;" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Frances</field>
    <field name="last_name">Allen</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1970</field>
    <field name="email_school">FrancesAllen@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Frances Allen&quot; &lt;FrancesAllen@p
ioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Kathleen</field>
    <field name="last_name">Booth</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1947</field>
    <field name="email_school">KathleenBooth@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Kathleen Booth&quot; &lt;KathleenBooth
@pioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Lynn</field>
    <field name="last_name">Conway</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1971</field>
    <field name="email_school">LynnConway@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Lynn Conway&quot; &lt;LynnConway@pione
ers.computer&gt;;</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Elizabeth</field>
    <field name="last_name">Feinler</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1974</field>
    <field name="email_school">ElizabethFeinler@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Elizabeth Feinler&quot; &lt;ElizabethF
einler@pioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
  </row>

  <row>

```

```

    <field name="first_name">Sally</field>
    <field name="last_name">Floyd</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1994</field>
    <field name="email_school">SallyFloyd@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">"Sally Floyd"; &lt;SallyFloyd@pione
ers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Shafi</field>
    <field name="last_name">Goldwasser</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1989</field>
    <field name="email_school">ShafiGoldwasser@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">"Shafi Goldwasser"; &lt;ShafiGoldwa
sser@pioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Susan</field>
    <field name="last_name">Graham</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">2011</field>
    <field name="email_school">SusanGraham@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">"Susan Graham"; &lt;SusanGraham@pio
neers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Barbara</field>
    <field name="last_name">Grosz</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1986</field>
    <field name="email_school">BarbaraGrosz@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">"Barbara Grosz"; &lt;BarbaraGrosz@p
ioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Margaret</field>
    <field name="last_name">Hamilton</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1971</field>
    <field name="email_school">MargaretHamilton@pioneers.computer</field>

```

```

    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Margaret Hamilton&quot; &lt;MargaretHa
milton@pioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
</row>

<row>
  <field name="first_name">Betty</field>
  <field name="last_name">Holberton</field>
  <field name="gender">F</field>
  <field name="first_year">1968</field>
  <field name="email_school">BettyHolberton@pioneers.computer</field>
  <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Betty Holberton&quot; &lt;BettyHolbert
on@pioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
</row>

<row>
  <field name="first_name">Grace</field>
  <field name="last_name">Hopper</field>
  <field name="gender">F</field>
  <field name="first_year">1952</field>
  <field name="email_school">GraceHopper@pioneers.computer</field>
  <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Grace Hopper&quot; &lt;GraceHopper@pio
neers.computer&gt;;</field>
</row>

<row>
  <field name="first_name">Barbara</field>
  <field name="last_name">Liskov</field>
  <field name="gender">F</field>
  <field name="first_year">1987</field>
  <field name="email_school">BarbaraLiskov@pioneers.computer</field>
  <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Barbara Liskov&quot; &lt;BarbaraLiskov
@pioneers.computer&gt;;</field>
</row>

<row>
  <field name="first_name">Ada</field>
  <field name="last_name">Lovelace</field>
  <field name="gender">F</field>
  <field name="first_year">1852</field>
  <field name="email_school">AdaLovelace@pioneers.computer</field>
  <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Ada Lovelace&quot; &lt;AdaLovelace@pio
neers.computer&gt;;</field>
</row>

<row>

```

```

    <field name="first_name">Radia</field>
    <field name="last_name">Perlman</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1985</field>
    <field name="email_school">RadiaPerlman@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Radia Perlman&quot; &lt;RadiaPerlman@p
ioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Rózsa</field>
    <field name="last_name">Péter</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1932</field>
    <field name="email_school">RózsaPéter@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Rózsa Péter&quot; &lt;RózsaPéter@pione
ers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Rosalind</field>
    <field name="last_name">Picard</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1995</field>
    <field name="email_school">RosalindPicard@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Rosalind Picard&quot; &lt;RosalindPica
rd@pioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Jean</field>
    <field name="last_name">Sammet</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1962</field>
    <field name="email_school">JeanSammet@pioneers.computer</field>
    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Jean Sammet&quot; &lt;JeanSammet@pione
ers.computer&gt;,</field>
  </row>

  <row>
    <field name="first_name">Karen</field>
    <field name="last_name">Spärck Jones</field>
    <field name="gender">F</field>
    <field name="first_year">1953</field>
    <field name="email_school">KarenSpärckJones@pioneers.computer</field>

```

```

    <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Karen Spärck Jones&quot; &lt;KarenSpär
ckJones@pioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
</row>

<row>
  <field name="first_name">Sophie</field>
  <field name="last_name">Wilson</field>
  <field name="gender">F</field>
  <field name="first_year">1985</field>
  <field name="email_school">SophieWilson@pioneers.computer</field>
  <field name="email_gmail">&quot;Sophie Wilson&quot; &lt;SophieWilson@p
ioneers.computer&gt;,</field>
</row>
</resultset>

```

- To [export / import](#) an entire table (in this case, `test.pioneers`) in [XML](#) (in this case, `data/pioneers.xml`), use the following commands:

```

dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
# These commands assume the test database and the pioneers table already exist.
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
mysql -u mysql -p --xml -e 'SELECT * FROM test.pioneers;'; > data/pioneers.xml
Enter password :
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
mysql -u mysql -p test -e 'TRUNCATE pioneers;
> LOAD XML INFILE "~/work/mysql-example/data/pioneers.xml" INTO TABLE pioneers;'
Enter password :

```

- Read this link to understand how to [mysqldump](#) (in text format) and restore an entire database. For example (in this case, `test`):

```

dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ mysqldump -u mysql -p test > data/test.sql
Enter password :
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
mysql -u mysql -p test < ~/work/mysql-example/data/test.sql
Enter password :
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ cat data/test.sql

```

```

-- MySQL dump 10.13  Distrib 8.0.21, for osx10.13 (x86_64)
--
-- Host: localhost    Database: test
--
-- Server version      8.0.21

```



```

/*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@@CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;
/*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@@CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */;
/*!40101 SET @OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION=@@COLLATION_CONNECTION */;
/*!50503 SET NAMES utf8mb4 */;
/*!40103 SET @OLD_TIME_ZONE=@@TIME_ZONE */;
/*!40103 SET TIME_ZONE='+00:00' */;
/*!40014 SET @OLD_UNIQUE_CHECKS=@@UNIQUE_CHECKS, UNIQUE_CHECKS=0 */;
/*!40014 SET @OLD_FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=@@FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS, FOREIGN_KEY_CHE
CKS=0 */;
/*!40101 SET @OLD_SQL_MODE=@@SQL_MODE, SQL_MODE='NO_AUTO_VALUE_ON_ZERO' */
;
/*!40111 SET @OLD_SQL_NOTES=@@SQL_NOTES, SQL_NOTES=0 */;

--
-- Table structure for table `pioneers`
--

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS `pioneers`;
/*!40101 SET @saved_cs_client      = @@character_set_client */;
/*!50503 SET character_set_client = utf8mb4 */;
CREATE TABLE `pioneers` (
  `first_name` varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL,
  `last_name` varchar(255) NOT NULL,
  `gender` char(1) NOT NULL,
  `first_year` smallint NOT NULL,
  `email_school` varchar(255) NOT NULL,
  `email_gmail` varchar(255) NOT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
/*!40101 SET character_set_client = @saved_cs_client */;

--
-- Dumping data for table `pioneers`
--

LOCK TABLES `pioneers` WRITE;
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `pioneers` DISABLE KEYS */;
# 158 values removed in the interest of brevity
INSERT INTO `pioneers` VALUES ('Leonard','Adleman','M',1977,'LeonardAdlema
n@pioneers.computer','\"Leonard Adleman\" <LeonardAdleman@pioneers.compute
r>,<',''),[...] ,('Konrad','Zuse','M',1938,'KonradZuse@pioneers.computer','\"Ko
nrad Zuse\" <KonradZuse@pioneers.computer>,<');
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `pioneers` ENABLE KEYS */;
UNLOCK TABLES;
/*!40103 SET TIME_ZONE=@OLD_TIME_ZONE */;

```

```
/*!40101 SET SQL_MODE=@OLD_SQL_MODE */;  
/*!40014 SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=@OLD_FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS */;  
/*!40014 SET UNIQUE_CHECKS=@OLD_UNIQUE_CHECKS */;  
/*!40101 SET CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;  
/*!40101 SET CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */;  
/*!40101 SET COLLATION_CONNECTION=@OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION */;  
/*!40111 SET SQL_NOTES=@OLD_SQL_NOTES */;  
  
-- Dump completed on 2020-07-26 10:52:19
```

Access a MySQL database through Python

- Add the `mysql-connector-python` through `pip3`.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$
```

```
pip3 install mysql-connector-python # already installed!
```

```
Requirement already satisfied: mysql-connector-python in /usr/local/lib/python3.8/site-packages (8.0.21)  
Requirement already satisfied: protobuf>=3.0.0 in /usr/local/Cellar/protobuf/3.12.3/libexec/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from mysql-connector-python) (3.12.3)  
Requirement already satisfied: six>=1.9 in /usr/local/Cellar/protobuf/3.12.3/libexec/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from protobuf>=3.0.0->mysql-connector-python) (1.15.0)  
Requirement already satisfied: setuptools in /usr/local/lib/python3.8/site-packages (from protobuf>=3.0.0->mysql-connector-python) (49.2.0)
```

- Test [MySQL](#) access through the following [Python](#) file.

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ cat src/testmysql.py
```

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
#
# testmysql.py
#
# pip3 install mysql-connector-python
#

import mysql.connector

config = {
    'user': 'mysql',
    'password': 'mysql',
    'host': '127.0.0.1',
    'database': 'test',
}
cnx = mysql.connector.connect(**config)
cursor = cnx.cursor()
cursor.execute('SELECT * FROM pioneers WHERE gender = "F";')
for record in cursor:
    print(record)
cnx.close()
```

```
dcp:~/work/mysql-example$ python3 src/testmysql.py
```

```
( 'Frances', 'Allen', 'F', 1970, 'FrancesAllen@pioneers.computer', '"France
s Allen" <FrancesAllen@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Kathleen', 'Booth', 'F', 1947, 'KathleenBooth@pioneers.computer', '"Kath
leen Booth" <KathleenBooth@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Lynn', 'Conway', 'F', 1971, 'LynnConway@pioneers.computer', '"Lynn Conwa
y" <LynnConway@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Elizabeth', 'Feinler', 'F', 1974, 'ElizabethFeinler@pioneers.computer',
'"Elizabeth Feinler" <ElizabethFeinler@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Sally', 'Floyd', 'F', 1994, 'SallyFloyd@pioneers.computer', '"Sally Floy
d" <SallyFloyd@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Shafi', 'Goldwasser', 'F', 1989, 'ShafiGoldwasser@pioneers.computer', '"
Shafi Goldwasser" <ShafiGoldwasser@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Susan', 'Graham', 'F', 2011, 'SusanGraham@pioneers.computer', '"Susan Gr
aham" <SusanGraham@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Barbara', 'Grosz', 'F', 1986, 'BarbaraGrosz@pioneers.computer', '"Barbar
a Grosz" <BarbaraGrosz@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Margaret', 'Hamilton', 'F', 1971, 'MargaretHamilton@pioneers.computer',
'"Margaret Hamilton" <MargaretHamilton@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Betty', 'Holberton', 'F', 1968, 'BettyHolberton@pioneers.computer', '"Be
tty Holberton" <BettyHolberton@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Grace', 'Hopper', 'F', 1952, 'GraceHopper@pioneers.computer', '"Grace Ho
pper" <GraceHopper@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Barbara', 'Liskov', 'F', 1987, 'BarbaraLiskov@pioneers.computer', '"Barb
ara Liskov" <BarbaraLiskov@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Ada', 'Lovelace', 'F', 1852, 'AdaLovelace@pioneers.computer', '"Ada Love
lace" <AdaLovelace@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Radia', 'Perlman', 'F', 1985, 'RadiaPerlman@pioneers.computer', '"Radia
Perlman" <RadiaPerlman@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Rózsa', 'Péter', 'F', 1932, 'RózsaPéter@pioneers.computer', '"Rózsa Péte
r" <RózsaPéter@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Rosalind', 'Picard', 'F', 1995, 'RosalindPicard@pioneers.computer', '"Ro
salind Picard" <RosalindPicard@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Jean', 'Sammet', 'F', 1962, 'JeanSammet@pioneers.computer', '"Jean Samme
t" <JeanSammet@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Karen', 'Spärck Jones', 'F', 1953, 'KarenSpärckJones@pioneers.computer',
'"Karen Spärck Jones" <KarenSpärckJones@pioneers.computer>,' )
( 'Sophie', 'Wilson', 'F', 1985, 'SophieWilson@pioneers.computer', '"Sophie
Wilson" <SophieWilson@pioneers.computer>,' )
```

Notes

- This how-to assumes:
 - [Mac OS Homebrew](#) is installed (and `brew upgrade python` has been executed to

get the latest versions of `python3` and `pip3`). There are many other ways to install [Python](#) & [MySQL](#) — this is just the easiest one.

- The `zsh` commands (in green) are executed from `~/work/mysql-example` — which includes the files: `README.md` (this file), `data/pioneers.computer.csv`, `doc/mysql.pdf`, `src/mysql.sql`, `src/testmysql.py`.
- [SQL](#) can be a bit fussy.
 - By convention, SQL commands are in UPPERCASE, other text is in appropriate mixed case.
 - The

```
LOAD DATA INFILE '~/work/mysql-example/pioneers.computer.csv' ..
```

 command requires an absolute (glob-pattern) path, the proper line termination (in this case `'\r\n'`), no blank / extra lines, and every field present that is marked `NOT NULL`.
- Every `SELECT` in this example ends with `WHERE gender = "F"`, *which is not the entire database*. There are 19 women pioneers out of 160 in this database, which limits the output to one ninth of it's potential total length for the purposes of this document.
- The [Python](#) `mysql.connector` module exists in several versions and it took a bit to find the correct one for Python 3. (Also, *do not name your Python file* `mysql.py` or you will have trouble importing the `mysql` module you expect.)
- *This test is not secure.*
 - The MySQL user

```
CREATE USER 'mysql'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'mysql';
```

 with an easy-to-guess password is a terrible idea.
 - Allowing direct local import of data through a `~/my.cnf` file is good for local testing, but not secure in a deployed system.
 - Having `'password': 'mysql'`, as a key:value pair in the Python code is also not a good idea.

Have fun!

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