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Found the sqlite documentation a bit dense, this helped to get a grasp of high level details:

<https://fly.io/blog/sqlite-internals-btree/>

 24 reply**sarp** 9 months ago

- The first **page** of the database file (after the database header) contains a **leaf table b-tree page**
- Each **cell** in this **leaf table b-tree page** has a **payload** that contains a **record**. (see [diagram](#)). The body of each record corresponds to a row of [sqlite\\_schema](#) table
- Since [sqlite\\_schema](#) table stores information about tables in our database, number of cells in this leaf table b-tree page will give us number of tables in the database
- You can determine the number of cells by reading [B-tree Page Header](#) (right after the database header)

 18 reply**DiegoAlpizar** 11 months ago

This helped me to visualize the underlying binary with schemes and drawings:

[https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/978-3-030-98467-0\\_5.pdf](https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/978-3-030-98467-0_5.pdf)

 11 reply**SteveLauC** 5 months ago

The number of cells stored in the root page of `sqlite_master` includes all the types of entries, not only tables, and if this is not a leaf node, you should traverse the whole tree to find the # of tables

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