

Connect to a database

INTERMEDIATE IMPORTING DATA IN R



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Up to now

- Flat files
- Excel files

Relational Databases

- What is a relational database?
- How to connect?
- How to read table?

company

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9	Biz Unlimited	1

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2	7	2	2015-09-14	75
3	6	9	2015-09-18	152
4	9	2	2015-09-21	66
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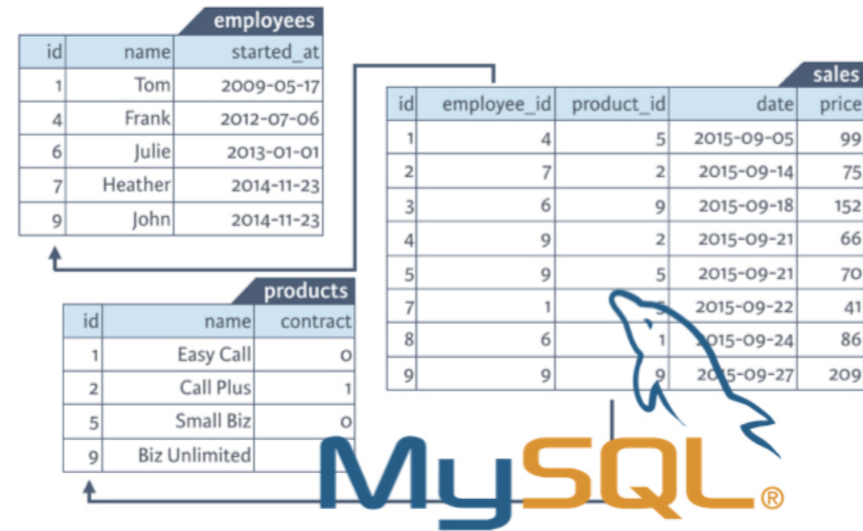
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Database Management System

- DBMS
- Open source
 - MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite
- Proprietary
 - Oracle Database, Microsoft SQL Server
- SQL = Structured Query Language

Databases in R

- Different R packages
- MySQL: RMySQL
- PostgreSQL: RPostgreSQL
- Oracle Database: ROracle
- Conventions specified in DBI



```
install.packages("RMySQL")  
library(DBI)  
# library(RMySQL) not required
```

Connect to database

```
con <- dbConnect(RMySQL::MySQL(), # Construct SQL driver
  dbname = "company",
  host = "courses.csrrinzqubik.us-
        east-1.rds.amazonaws.com",
  port = 3306,
  user = "student",
  password = "datacamp")
```

- con is DBIConnection object

Let's practice!

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Import table data

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con

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List and import tables

```
dbListTables(con)
```

```
"employees" "products" "sales"
```

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```
dbReadTable(con, "employees")
```

```
id name started_at
1 1 Tom 2009-05-17
2 4 Frank 2012-07-06
3 6 Julie 2013-01-01
4 7 Heather 2014-11-23
5 9 John 2015-05-12
```

```
dbDisconnect(con)
```

```
TRUE
```

```
con
```

```
Error in .local(dbObj, ...) :
  internal error in RS_DBI_getConnection: ...
```

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