

Using TileDB with R

An Introductory Tutorial

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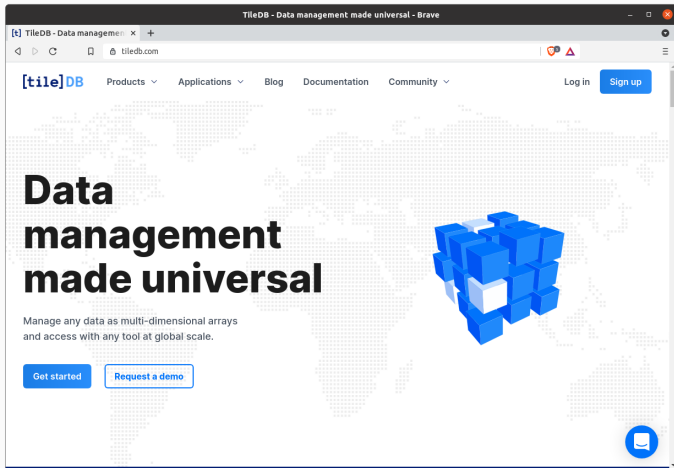
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Serverless, and at
scale

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Tutorial Resources

To install the package with code examples and the slides, use

```
remotes::install_github('eddelbuettel/tiledb-user2021')
```

or

```
repos <- c("https://eddelbuettel.github.io/tiledb-user2021/",  
          "https://cloud.r-project.org")  
install.packages("tiledb.user2021", repos=repos)
```

Loading the package will show where the example files are located.

The conference slack channel for the tutorial is #tut_tiledb.

Introductory Example

```
# if needed: install.packages("tiledb")      # installation from CRAN
library(tiledb)                             # load the package
library(palmerpenguins)                     # example data
setwd("/tmp")                               # or other scratch space

# create array from data frame with default settings
fromDataFrame(penguins, "penguins")

# read array as data.frame and without (default, added) row index
arr <- tiledb_array("penguins", as.data.frame=TRUE, extended=FALSE)
show(arr)                                   # some array information
```

Introductory Example (cont.)

```
> df <- arr[]
> str(df)
'data.frame':   344 obs. of  8 variables:
 $ species      : chr  "Adelie" "Adelie" "Adelie" "Adelie" ...
 $ island       : chr  "Torgersen" "Torgersen" "Torgersen" "Torgersen" ...
 $ bill_length_mm : num  39.1 39.5 40.3 NA 36.7 39.3 38.9 39.2 34.1 42 ...
 $ bill_depth_mm : num  18.7 17.4 18 NA 19.3 20.6 17.8 19.6 18.1 20.2 ...
 $ flipper_length_mm: int  181 186 195 NA 193 190 181 195 193 190 ...
 $ body_mass_g   : int  3750 3800 3250 NA 3450 3650 3625 4675 3475 4250 ...
 $ sex          : chr  "male" "female" "female" NA ...
 $ year         : int  2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 2007 ...
>
```


Introductory Example (cont.)

Key Features

- We will discuss available options to create arrays
 - dense arrays versus sparse arrays
 - one or multiple indices (on sparse arrays)
 - options for creating and accessing arrays
 - but we mention tuning (tile extent, tile layout, ...) only in passing
- We will show different ways to read arrays back into R

Dense Arrays

Dense Data

The introductory example `quickstart_dense.R` creates an array with two integer domains and a single integer attribute:

```
# The array will be 4x4 with dims "rows" and "cols" and domain [1,4]
dom <- tiledb_domain(dims = c(tiledb_dim("rows", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"),
                              tiledb_dim("cols", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32")))
# The array will be dense with a single attribute "a" so
# each cell (i,j) cell can store an integer.
schema <- tiledb_array_schema(dom, attrs=c(tiledb_attr("a", type="INT32")))
# Create the (empty) array on disk.
uri <- "quickstart_dense"
tiledb_array_create(uri, schema)
```

Dense Data (cont.)

Having created the array we can now open it for writing and add data.

```
# equivalent to matrix(1:16, 4, 4, byrow=TRUE)
data <- array(c(c(1L, 5L, 9L, 13L),
               c(2L, 6L, 10L, 14L),
               c(3L, 7L, 11L, 15L),
               c(4L, 8L, 12L, 16L)), dim = c(4,4))
# Open the array and write to it.
A <- tiledb_array(uri = uri)
A[] <- data
```

Dense Data (cont.)

Data can be read back with different convenience wrappers:

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri); arr[] # list of columns
```

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame=TRUE); arr[] # a data.frame
```

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.matrix=TRUE); arr[] # a matrix
```

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.array=TRUE); arr[] # an array
```

Dense Data (cont.)

A data.frame example for dense arrays:

```
library(tiledb)          # load our package
uri <- tempfile()        # any local directory, more later on cloud access

## any data.frame, data.table, tibble ...; here we use penguins_raw
fromDataFrame(palmerpenguins::penguins_raw, uri)

# we want a data.frame, and we skip the implicit row numbers added as index
x <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE, extended = FALSE)

newdf <- x[]             # full array (we can index rows and/or cols too)
```

Dense Data (cont.)

```
> str(newdf[, 1:14]) # omitting last three cols for brevity
'data.frame':  344 obs. of  17 variables:
 $ studyName      : chr  "PAL0708" "PAL0708" "PAL0708" "PAL0708" ...
 $ Sample Number  : num  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ Species        : chr  "Adelie Penguin (Pygoscelis adeliae)" ...
 $ Region         : chr  "Anvers" "Anvers" "Anvers" "Anvers" ...
 $ Island         : chr  "Torgersen" "Torgersen" "Torgersen" "Torgersen" ...
 $ Stage          : chr  "Adult, 1 Egg Stage" "Adult, 1 Egg Stage" ...
 $ Individual ID   : chr  "N1A1" "N1A2" "N2A1" "N2A2" ...
 $ Clutch Completion : chr  "Yes" "Yes" "Yes" "Yes" ...
 $ Date Egg       : Date, format: "2007-11-11" ...
 $ Culmen Length (mm) : num  39.1 39.5 40.3 NA 36.7 39.3 38.9 39.2 34.1 42 ...
 $ Culmen Depth (mm) : num  18.7 17.4 18 NA 19.3 20.6 17.8 19.6 18.1 20.2 ...
 $ Flipper Length (mm): num  181 186 195 NA 193 190 181 195 193 190 ...
 $ Body Mass (g)     : num  3750 3800 3250 NA 3450 ...
 $ Sex             : chr  "MALE" "FEMALE" "FEMALE" NA ...
```

Sparse Arrays

Sparse Array: Numeric

```
library(tiledb)           # TileDB package
library(Matrix)           # for sparse matrix functionality
uri <- tempfile()         # array location
set.seed(123)             # fix RNG seed

mat <- matrix(0, nrow=8, ncol=20)
mat[sample(seq_len(8*20), 15)] <- seq(1, 15)
spmat <- as(mat, "dgTMatrix") # new sparse 'dgTMatrix'

fromSparseMatrix(spmat, uri) # store the sparse matrix in TileDB
chk <- toSparseMatrix(uri)   # and retrieve it to check
```

Sparse Array: Numeric (cont.)

```
> chk      # to check retrieved sparse matrix
8 x 20 sparse Matrix of class "dgTMatrix"

[1,] . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 13 . 8
[2,] . . . . . 3 . . . . 9 . . . . . . .
[3,] . . . . . 5 . . . . 10 14 . . . . .
[4,] . . . . . . . . . . . 12 . . . . .
[5,] . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7
[6,] . 2 . . . . . . . . . . . 4 . . . .
[7,] . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11 1
[8,] . . . . . . . . 15 . . . . . . . . 6
>
```

Sparse Array: Data Frame

```
library(tiledb)          # load our package
uri <- tempfile()        # any local directory, more later on cloud access
## now sparse with a character and integer ('year') index column
## with wider range than seen in the data for year we allow appending
fromDataFrame(palmerpenguins::penguins, uri, sparse = TRUE,
              col_index = c("species", "year"),
              tile_domain=list(year=c(2000L, 2021L)))

x <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE, extended = FALSE)
newdf <- x[]              # full array (we can index rows and/or cols too)
```

Sparse Array: Data Frame (cont.)

```
x <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE, extended = FALSE)
selected_ranges(x) <- list(year=cbind(2007L, 2008L),
                           species=cbind("Gentoo", "Gentoo"))
newdf <- x[]
```

Now we retrieve with two constraints: 'years' from 2007 to 2008 (both included), and 'species' equal to "Gentoo" (given as lower and upper range which implies equality). Note that both are *dimension* columns.

Sparse Array: Data Frame (cont.)

```
qc <- tiledb_query_condition_init("body_mass_g", 6000, "INT32", "GE")
query_condition(x) <- qc
newdf <- x[]
```

This selects rows based on the given attribute value, here `body_mass_g` which is required to be greater or equal to 6000 (grams).

Query conditions on attributes can also be combined (via standard Boolean operators).

Also (but not on CRAN yet): `qc <- parse_query_condition(body_mass_g >= 6000)`

Sparse Array: Select Attribute Columns

```
x <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE, extended = FALSE)
attrs(x) <- c("island", "sex")
```

This results in just the two selected attribute columns being returned (along with the two dimension columns).

Column selections can be combined with row selections.

Sparse Array: Incremental Writes

Setting the initial *domain* of the dimension columns (to ranges that accomodate future writes) allows incremental writes in batches.

As TileDB is serverless and inherently parallel, multiple writes can be made at the same time.

fromDataFrame & tiledb_array

High-level Array Writer

- Helper function to *create* arrays from existing data.frame data in R
- Can write dense arrays as well as sparse arrays
 - can add ad-hoc row-indices (dense and sparse)
 - or can use multiple index columns (sparse)
 - these can use int, numeric, or char data
- Defaults to using a ZStd compression filter
- Can set different TileDB array attributes and parameters
- Can support *append* mode via explicit dimension domain values
- We will see some examples later

High-level Array Reader

- General array accessor for both dense and sparse arrays
- Supports multiple options to return as
 - data.frame
 - matrix
 - array
- Supports selection of row ranges (via dimension constraint)
- Supports selection of returned columns

Full TileDB API

Full API

```
dims <- c(tiledb_dim("rows", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"),
         tiledb_dim("cols", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"))
attrs <- tiledb_attr("a", type = "INT32")
schema <- tiledb_array_schema(tiledb_domain(dims), attrs)
tiledb_array_create(uri, schema)
data <- 1:16
arr <- tiledb_array(uri = uri)
qry <- tiledb_query(arr, "WRITE")
qry <- tiledb_query_set_layout(qry, "ROW_MAJOR")
qry <- tiledb_query_set_buffer(qry, "a", data)
qry <- tiledb_query_submit(qry)
qry <- tiledb_query_finalize(qry)
stopifnot(tiledb_query_status(qry)=="COMPLETE")
```

This example shows
“quickstart_dense”

Each key function in the
underlying TileDB Embedded
(C++) API has been wrapped
and is accessible directly.

This is useful when the
higher-level functions need to
be tweaked or customized.

Full API (using R 4.1.0 pipe)

```
dims <- c(tiledb_dim("rows", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"),
          tiledb_dim("cols", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"))
attrs <- tiledb_attr("a", type = "INT32")
schema <- tiledb_array_schema(tiledb_domain(dims), attrs)
tiledb_array_create(uri, schema)
data <- 1:16
tiledb_array(uri = uri) |>
  tiledb_query("WRITE") |>
  tiledb_query_set_layout("ROW_MAJOR") |>
  tiledb_query_set_buffer("a", data) |>
  tiledb_query_submit() |>
  tiledb_query_finalize()
stopifnot(tiledb_query_status(qry)=="COMPLETE")
```

This example shows
“quickstart_dense” with the
native pipe.

As many of the TileDB API
functions operate on the query
type argument and return it,
this style is easily supported.

Full API

Another example: retrieve the default configuration, overridden number of threads and asking for fragment meta-data consolidation (useful after many chunks have been written):

```
cfg <- tiledb_config()
cfg["sm.num_reader_threads"] <- 8
cfg["sm.num_writer_threads"] <- 8
cfg["vfs.num_threads"] <- 8
cfg["sm.consolidation.mode"] <- "fragment_meta"
ctx <- tiledb_ctx(cfg)
array_consolidate(uri=uri, cfg=cfg)
```

S3

```
uri <- "s3://namespace/bucket"           # change URI as needed

## you need either these two environment variables
##   AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
##   AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID
## or set this in the TileDB config object

fromSparseMatrix(spmat, uri)             # stored
chk <- toSparseMatrix(uri)                # retrieved

## lazy eval: e.g. for subsets only requested data transferred to client
```


S3 (cont.)

```
> pp <- tiledb_array("s3://tiledb-conferences/useR-2021/palmer_penguins", as.data.frame=TRUE)
> dat <- pp[]
> head(dat)
```

	species	year	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex
1	Adelie	2007	Dream	36.0	17.9	190	3450	female
2	Adelie	2007	Dream	42.3	21.2	191	4150	male
3	Adelie	2007	Torgersen	40.3	18.0	195	3250	female
4	Adelie	2007	Torgersen	34.6	21.1	198	4400	male
5	Adelie	2007	Torgersen	36.6	17.8	185	3700	female
6	Adelie	2007	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193	3450	female

```
>
```

Arrow

Arrow

```
suppressMessages( { library(tiledb); library(arrow) } )  
val <- 1:3      # arbitrary, could be rnorm() too  
typ <- int8()   # any Arrow type  
vec <- Array$create(val, typ)           # Arrow vector  
  
aa <- tiledb_arrow_array_ptr()  
as <- tiledb_arrow_schema_ptr()  
on.exit( { tiledb_arrow_array_del(aa); tiledb_arrow_schema_del(as) } )  
arrow:::ExportArray(vec, aa, as) # export Arrow to TileDB  
  
newvec <- arrow::Array$create(arrow:::ImportArray(aa, as))  
stopifnot(all.equal(vec, newvec))  
print(newvec)    # show round-turn
```

Arrow (cont.)

```
> print(newvec)    # show round-turn  
Array  
<int8>  
[  
  1,  
  2,  
  3  
]  
>
```

Additional examples demonstrate zero-copy transfer from Arrow into TileDB Arrays, and the inverse from TileDB to Arrow.

Additional higher-level functions will likely get added soon.

Time Travel

Time Travel

```
uri <- "... some uri, either local or on s3 or ..."
```

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri,  
                    as.data.frame = TRUE,    # convenient format  
                    timestamp = as.POSIXct("2021-01-02 03:04:05"))  
## standard access to 'arr' as before
```

TileDB Arrays add content in immutable “layers” (or fragments).

We can access their content at points in time!

Time Travel (cont.)

```
D <- data.frame(key=1:10, value=1:10)
uri <- tempfile()

fromDataFrame(D, uri, col_index="key",
              sparse=TRUE, allows_dups=FALSE)
now <- Sys.time()

Sys.sleep(60)                                # one minute
arr <- tiledb_array(uri)
D$value <- 100 + D$value
arr[] <- D
then <- Sys.time()
```

Time Travel (cont.)

```
## we have written twice
```

```
show(arr[])
```

```
arrEarlier <- tiledb_array(uri, timestamp=now)
```

```
show(arrEarlier[])
```

```
arrLater <- tiledb_array(uri, timestamp=then)
```

```
show(arrLater[])
```


Encryption

Encryption

```
uri <- "... some uri, either local or on s3 or ..."
```



```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri,  
                    as.data.frame = TRUE,    # convenient format  
                    encryption_key = "...an AES-256 key here...")  
## standard access to 'arr' as before
```

TileDB Arrays support encryption. The underlying files are controlled by standard filesystem access control layers, and additionally the content can be encrypted using standard AES-256 technology.

Encryption (cont.)

```
dom <- tiledb_domain(dims = tiledb_dim("rows", c(1L, 4L), 4L, "INT32"))
schema <- tiledb_array_schema(dom, attrs=tiledb_attr("a", type = "INT32"),
                              sparse = TRUE)

uri <- tempfile()
enckey <- "0123456789abcdef0123456789ABCDEF"
invisible( tiledb_array_create(uri, schema, enckey) ) # schema with key

arr <- tiledb_array(uri, encryption_key = enckey)      # open with key to
arr[] <- data.frame(rows=1:4, a=101:104)              # write and read

chk <- tiledb_array(uri, encryption_key = enckey, as.data.frame=TRUE)
chk[]
```

Applications

SQL

Setup

- TileDB integrates with different frontends as well as languages
- One example: MariaDB with TileDB accessed via a 'storage plugin'
- Due to architectural choices at MariaDB, plugins
 - have to be compiled with the exact configuration as the server itself
 - we need to consistently build MariaDB, TileDB plugin ... and TileDB
- One easy way to do this is via Docker container `tiledb-mariadb-r`
- See <https://hub.docker.com/r/tiledb/tiledb-mariadb-r/>

SQL (cont.)

Setup (cont.)

We launch the container as a daemon, allow MariaDB to accept empty password, and name the running image 'tiledb-mariadb-r':

line break for display here

```
docker run --name tiledb-mariadb-r -it -d --rm \  
  -e MYSQL_ALLOW_EMPTY_PASSWORD=1 tiledb/tiledb-mariadb-r
```

If desired, we can mount local directories via the standard Docker option `-v local:container` to access host data in container.

SQL (cont.)

We then start R via Docker connecting to this session:

```
docker exec -it -u root tiledb-mariadb-r R
```

and in R write

```
library(tiledb)  
fromDataFrame(palmerpenguins::penguins_raw, "/tmp/penguinsraw")
```

to create a TileDB Array in the context of the container.

SQL (cont.)

We then start R again via the same command for another R shell but now access the data.

Note that per standard semantics this query did *not* yet materialize.

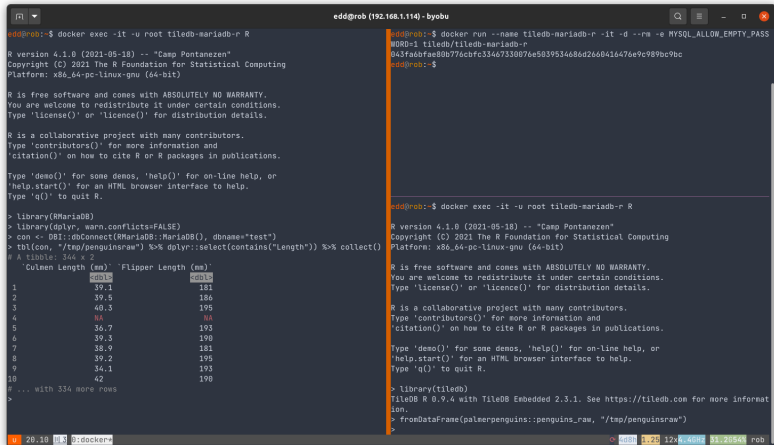
```
> library(RMariaDB)
> library(dplyr, warn.conflicts=FALSE)
> con <- DBI::dbConnect(RMariaDB::MariaDB(), dbname="test")
> tbl(con, "/tmp/penguinsraw") |> dplyr::select(contains("Length"))
# Source:   lazy query [?? x 2]
# Database: mysql [@localhost:NA/test]
  `Culmen Length (mm)` `Flipper Length (mm)`
      <dbl>           <dbl>
1         39.1         181
2         39.5         186
3         40.3         195
4          NA          NA
5         36.7         193
6         39.3         190
7         38.9         181
8         39.2         195
9         34.1         193
10        42          190
# ... with more rows
>
```

SQL (cont.)

By adding `collect()` to the pipeline we ensure an actual retrieval of the data.

```
> tbl(con, "/tmp/penguinsraw") |>
+   dplyr::select(contains("Length")) |>
+   collect()
# A tibble: 344 x 2
   `Culmen Length (mm)` `Flipper Length (mm)`
         <dbl>         <dbl>
1             39.1             181
2             39.5             186
3             40.3             195
4              NA              NA
5             36.7             193
6             39.3             190
7             38.9             181
8             39.2             195
9             34.1             193
10            42              190
# ... with 334 more rows
>
```

SQL (cont.)



```
edd@rob:~$ docker exec -it -u root tiledb-mariadb-r R
R version 4.1.0 (2021-05-18) -- "Camp Pontanezen"
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Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)

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Type 'q()' to quit R.

> library(RMariaDB)
> library(dplyr, warn.conflicts=FALSE)
> con <- DBI::dbConnect(RMariaDB::MariaDB(), dbname="test")
> tbl(con, "/tmp/penguinsraw") %>% dplyr::select(contains("Length")) %>% collect()
# A tibble: 344 x 2
  'Culmen Length (mm)' 'Flipper Length (mm)'
    <dbl>             <dbl>
1      39.1           181
2      39.5           186
3      40.3           195
4      NA            NA
5      36.7           193
6      39.3           190
7      38.9           181
8      39.2           195
9      34.1           193
10     42             190
# ... with 334 more rows
>
```

```
edd@rob:~$ docker run --name tiledb-mariadb-r -it -d --rm -e MYSQL_ALLOW_EMPTY_PASS
W0R0=1 tiledb/tiledb-mariadb-r
043fa6bfae80b776cbfc33467330076e5039534686d2660416476e9c989bc9bc
edd@rob:~$

edd@rob:~$ docker exec -it -u root tiledb-mariadb-r R
R version 4.1.0 (2021-05-18) -- "Camp Pontanezen"
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Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)

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'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> library(tiledb)
TileDB R 0.9.4 with TileDB Embedded 2.3.1. See https://tiledb.com for more informat
ion.
> fromDataFrame(palmerpenguins::penguins_raw, "/tmp/penguinsraw")
>
```

Start with top right
to launch container
ad daemon.

Next bottom right
to create an array.

Finally left pane to
access it.

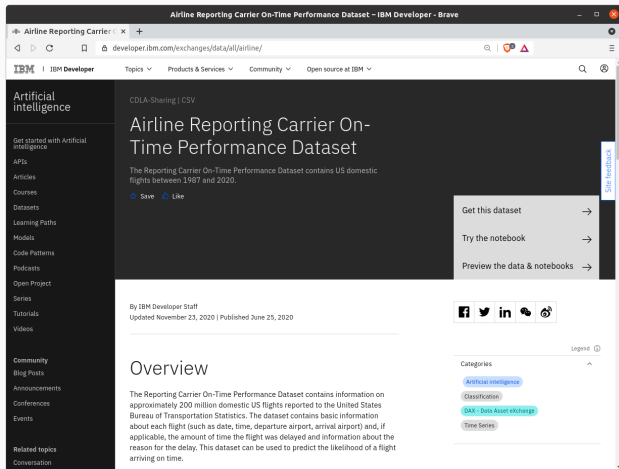
Data Science with Flights Data

Data Science Example: Large Data Frame

We have already seen several examples for data.frames. The ability to index on different column types maps well with data.frame objects.

This example uses the well known flights data set.

Data Science Example: Large Data Frame



We use the full 'flights' data set (available under a permissible data license [at the IBM site shown on the left](#)).

It is available as both the full data set with 194 million rows, as well as in a 2 million row subset.

Large Data Frame (cont.)

Creating the TileDB Array

The data comes as `tar.gz` containing a compressed csv file.

We cannot efficiently read all of the csv so we wrap a loop around, extracting chunks (via `sed`) which `data.table::fread()` can ingest. (We also skip a number of uninformative extra columns.)

We select four index columns. Three of these are character based and automatically obtain a `<null,null>` domain which we can append to.

For the fourth, we explicitly set an earlier start data and later (current) end date.

Large Data Frame (cont.)

```
createIteratively <- function(csvxzfile, uri, n=100000, N=2000000) {  
  stopifnot(`no csv.xz`=file.exists(csvxzfile))  
  
  cmd <- paste0("xz -c -d ", csvxzfile, "| sed -n -e'1,", format(n+1, scientific=FALSE), "'p")  
  cat(cmd, "\n")  
  D <- fread(cmd=cmd, drop=c(48,57:109))  
  cn <- colnames(D) # used below  
  D <- filterData(D) # helper converting a few columns: utf8 char, bool to int, factor to char  
  if (tiledb_vfs_is_dir(uri)) tiledb_vfs_remove_dir(uri)  
  fromDataFrame(D, uri, sparse=TRUE,  
               col_index = c("FlightDate", "Reporting_Airline", "Origin", "Dest"),  
               tile_domain=list(FlightDate=c(as.Date("1970-01-01"), Sys.Date())))  
  written <- n # keep track of data written  
  
  ## remainder on next slide
```


Large Data Frame (cont.)

```
## continued from previous slide
```

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri)
while (written < N) {
  cmd <- paste0("xz -c -d ", csvxzfile, "| sed -n -e'1d' -e'",
               format(written+1+1, scientific=FALSE), ",",
               format(min(written+n+1, N+1), scientific=FALSE), "'p")
  cat(cmd, "\n")
  D <- fread(cmd=cmd, drop=c(48,57:109))
  colnames(D) <- cn                # assign colnames from first chunk
  D <- filterData(D)
  arr[] <- D                       # append chunk to TileDB array
  written <- written + n
}
invisible(NULL)
}
```

Large Data Frame (cont.)

Operating on the full dataset—but selecting *by dimensions* 'FlightDate' and 'Reporting_Airline':

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame=TRUE)
fromD <- as.Date("2000-01-01")
toD <- as.Date("2000-12-31")
selected_ranges(arr) <- list(FlightDate=cbind(fromD, toD),
                             Reporting_Airline=cbind("UA", "UA"))
res <- arr[]
print(dim(res)) ## 776559 x 55
```

Large Data Frame (cont.)

We we add additional conditions on attributes:

as before

```
qc1 <- tiledb_query_condition_init("ArrDelay", 120, "FLOAT64", "GE")
qc2 <- tiledb_query_condition_init("DepDelay", 120, "FLOAT64", "GE")
query_condition(arr) <- tiledb_query_condition_combine(qc1, qc2, "AND")
res <- arr[]
print(dim(res))  ## now 21893 x 55
```

Large Data Frame (cont.)

With not-yet-on-CRAN-but-at-GitHub current version can use a more direct approach:

```
qc <- parse_query_condition(ArrDelay >= 120.001 && DepDelay >= 120.001)
query_condition(arr) <- qc
res <- arr[]
print(dim(res))  ## now 21893 x 55
```

(The query condition parsing is independent of the array and does not know the underlying types which is why we used 120.001 to provide a hint that the delay columns are FLOAT64.)

Large Data Frame (cont.)

Not that this is fully remote evaluation: we transmit the request including the selection constraints, and only the requested data is returned: here 22k rows out of 194 million.

Large Data Frame and SQL

We combine the two previous applications! Launching first in the directory above the 'flights' array:

```
docker run --name tiledb-mariadb-r -it -d --rm \  
    -e MYSQL_ALLOW_EMPTY_PASSWORD=1 \  
    -v $PWD:/mnt tiledb/tiledb-mariadb-r
```

to make the current ("outer") directory (accessed via shell variable \$PWD) in the container a path /mnt. Then we launch R in the container via

```
docker exec -it -u root tiledb-mariadb-r R
```

Large Data Frame and SQL

```
> library(RMariaDB); library(dplyr, warn.conflicts=FALSE)
> con <- DBI::dbConnect(RMariaDB::MariaDB(), dbname="test")
> tbl(con, "/mnt/airline") |> dplyr::select(contains("Dep"))
# Source:   lazy query [?? x 7]
# Database: mysql [@localhost:NA/test]
```

	DepartureDelayGroups	DepDel15	DepTime	DepTimeBlk	DepDelay	DepDelayMinutes
	<int>	<dbl>	<int>	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	0	0	1402	1400-1459	1	1
2	0	0	1750	1700-1759	0	0
3	0	0	1108	1100-1159	0	0
4	0	0	511	0001-0559	0	0
5	0	0	928	0900-0959	1	1
6	0	0	1631	1600-1659	1	1
7	2147483647	0	2111	2100-2159	-3	0
8	2147483647	0	1305	1300-1359	-1	0
9	0	0	858	0800-0859	3	3
10	0	0	648	0600-0659	2	2

```
# ... with more rows, and 1 more variable: CRSDepTime <int>
```

```
>
```

LiDAR

- LiDAR stands for Light Detection and Ranging
- It is a method for determining ranges (often using lasers)
- Used in spatial analysis, forestry, or even autonomous driving
- Many (public) data sets via LAS or LAZ (compressed) files
- As these are multidimensional arrays use maps well to TileDB

Lidar Ingest

The **PDAL (Point Data Abstraction Library)** is central, and the `pdal` binary can be built with TileDB support.

We use a **Docker container** `tiledb-geospatial` to read LAS (or LAZ) files and create an array as described on the **TileDB docs website**.

Command:

```
pdal pipeline -i pipeline.json
```

where `pdal` may come from the **tiledb-geospatial** container, and the JSON control file shown to the right might control *reading* and *writing* steps.

[tile]DB

```
[
  {
    "type": "readers.las",
    "filename": "autzen.laz"
  },
  {
    "type": "writers.tiledb",
    "array_name": "autzen_tiledb",
    "chunk_size": 10000000
  }
]
```

LiDAR

```
lasfile <- "LAS_17258975.las"
if (!file.exists(lasfile)) {
  ## note: the file is 451 mb
  op <- options()                                # store
  options(timeout=3600)                          # (much) more patience downloading
  lasfileurl <- file.path("https://clearinghouse.isgs.illinois.edu/las-east/cook/las/", lasfile)
  download.file(lasfileurl, lasfile)
  options(op)                                    # reset
}

if (!dir.exists("las_array")) {
  wd <- getwd()
  cmd <- paste0("docker run --rm -ti -u 1000:1000 -v ", wd, ":/data ",
               "-w /data tiledb/tiledb-geospatial pdal pipeline -i pipeline.json")
  system(cmd)                                    # fancier return code check possible
}
```

LiDAR (cont.)

Note that we can loop similarly over many LAS or LAZ files, and can also inject them in parallel. The JSON file needs `"append": true` to append; this way we can store *many* LAS or LAZ files in a single TileDB Array, locally or in the cloud.

Being able to store many such files in a single (cloud-hosted or local) array shows one of the strengths of TileDB. And data requests will transfer only the requested subset.

LiDAR (cont)

We can then read from the LiDAR array. The following extracts just 100k rows of points from a well-known building:

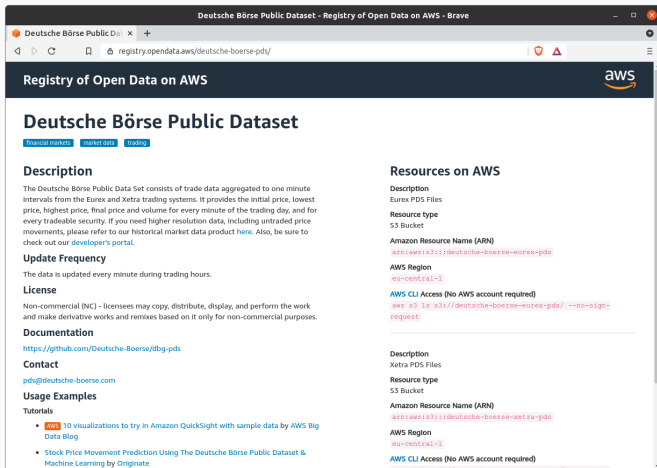
```
library(tiledb)
arr <- tiledb_array("las_array", as.data.frame=TRUE)
selected_ranges(arr) <- list(X = cbind(1174100, 1174400), Y = cbind(1899125, 1899250))
L <- arr[]
## print(dim(L))      # 108655 x 15

library(lidR)
L$ScanAngleRank <- as.integer(L$ScanAngleRank)
LL <- LAS(L)
plot(LL)                                # open rgl device
## plot(LL, backend="lidRviewer")      # if lidRviewer is installed
```

Finance / Time Series

TileDB can also be used for financial data such as transactions data from an exchange, times and sales data from trades, or aggregates. In this example we will look at a data set provided (and regularly updated) by Deutsche Boerse covering one-minute bars of each stock and etf (for the stock exchanges) and each future (for the Eurex sister exchange focussing on derivatives).

Time Series



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "Deutsche Börse Public Dataset - Registry of Open Data on AWS - Brave". The address bar shows the URL "registry.opendata.aws/deutsche-boerse-pds/". The page has a dark header with the "Registry of Open Data on AWS" text and the AWS logo. The main content area is titled "Deutsche Börse Public Dataset" and includes tabs for "Financial markets", "market data", and "Trading". The "Description" section explains that the dataset consists of trade data aggregated to one-minute intervals from the Eurex and Xetra trading systems, providing initial price, lowest price, highest price, final price, and volume for every minute of the trading day. It also mentions that higher resolution data is available for untraded price movements. The "Update Frequency" section states that the data is updated every minute during trading hours. The "License" section indicates that the data is non-commercial (NC) and can be copied, distributed, displayed, and performed for non-commercial purposes. The "Documentation" section provides a link to the GitHub repository. The "Contact" section shows the email address "pds@deutsche-boerse.com". The "Usage Examples" section lists two examples: "10 visualizations to try in Amazon QuickSight with sample data by AWS Big Data Blog" and "Stock Price Movement Prediction Using The Deutsche Börse Public Dataset & Machine Learning by Originate". The "Resources on AWS" section lists two datasets: "Eurex PDS Files" and "Xetra PDS Files". For each dataset, it provides the description, resource type (S3 Bucket), Amazon Resource Name (ARN), AWS Region (eu-central-1), and AWS CLI Access (No AWS account required).

Deutsche Börse Public Dataset - Registry of Open Data on AWS - Brave

registry.opendata.aws/deutsche-boerse-pds/

Registry of Open Data on AWS

Deutsche Börse Public Dataset

Financial markets | market data | Trading

Description

The Deutsche Börse Public Data Set consists of trade data aggregated to one minute intervals from the Eurex and Xetra trading systems. It provides the initial price, lowest price, highest price, final price and volume for every minute of the trading day, and for every tradeable security. If you need higher resolution data, including untraded price movements, please refer to our historical market data product [here](#). Also, be sure to check out our [developer's portal](#).

Update Frequency

The data is updated every minute during trading hours.

License

Non-commercial (NC) - licensees may copy, distribute, display, and perform the work and make derivative works and remixes based on it only for non-commercial purposes.

Documentation

<https://github.com/Deutsche-Boerse/dbg-pds>

Contact

pds@deutsche-boerse.com

Usage Examples

Tutorials

- [AWS 10 visualizations to try in Amazon QuickSight with sample data by AWS Big Data Blog](#)
- [Stock Price Movement Prediction Using The Deutsche Börse Public Dataset & Machine Learning by Originate](#)

Resources on AWS

Eurex PDS Files

Description
Eurex PDS Files

Resource type
S3 Bucket

Amazon Resource Name (ARN)
`arn:aws:s3:::deutsche-boerse-eurex-pds`

AWS Region
`eu-central-1`

AWS CLI Access (No AWS account required)
`aws s3 ls s3://deutsche-boerse-eurex-pds/ --no-sign-request`

Xetra PDS Files

Description
Xetra PDS Files

Resource type
S3 Bucket

Amazon Resource Name (ARN)
`arn:aws:s3:::deutsche-boerse-xetra-pds`

AWS Region
`eu-central-1`

AWS CLI Access (No AWS account required)
`aws s3 ls s3://deutsche-boerse-xetra-pds/ --no-sign-request`

Provided by the exchange via AWS

“[...] provides the initial price, lowest price, highest price, final price and volume for every minute of the trading day, and for every tradeable security.”

“If you need higher resolution data, including untraded price movements, please refer to our historical market data product [here](#).”

Time Series

List the files (here a small demo sample).

Helper function to construct datetime column, and remove date and time columns.

Simple injection loop. First file creates the array and defines the schema. We set minimum and maximum time values.

Injection could run in parallel, or an automated script appending new data.

```
uri <- "dboerse"
files <- list.files(pattern="2020-.*\\.csv") # files retrieved Fall of 2020

readAndAddDatetime <- function(file) { # simple helper
  D <- fread(file)
  setDT(D)
  D[, Datetime := as.POSIXct(paste(Date, Time))]
  D[, `:=`(Date = NULL, Time = NULL)]
  invisible(D)
}

n <- length(files)
for (i in seq_len(n)) {
  D <- readAndAddDatetime(files[i])
  if (i == 1) {
    fromDataFrame(D, uri, sparse = TRUE,
                  col_index=c("Mnemonic", "Datetime"),
                  tile_domain=list(Datetime=c(as.POSIXct("1970-01-01 00:00:00"), Sys.time()))))
  } else {
    arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE)
    arr[] <- D
    tiledb_array_close(arr)
  }
}
```

Time Series

Simple usage example: one hour of BMW trades in one-minute bars

```
arr <- tiledb_array(uri, as.data.frame = TRUE)
selected_ranges(arr) <- list(Mnemonic=cbind("BMW", "BMW"),
                             Datetime=cbind(as.POSIXct("2020-11-04 09:00"),
                                             as.POSIXct("2020-11-04 10:00")))
BMW <- arr[]
```

Time Series

```
suppressMessages({
  library(rtsplot)           # for nicer financial plot
  library(xts)               # used by rtsplot
})
setDT(BMW)
symbol <- "BMW"
rt <- as.xts(BMW[Mnemonic==symbol,
                 .(Datetime, Open=StartPrice, High=MaxPrice,
                   Low=MinPrice, Close=EndPrice, Volume=TradedVolume)])

cols <- rtsplot.colors(2)
layout(c(1,1,1,1,2))
rtsplot(rt, type="n")
rtsplot.ohlc(rt, col=rtsplot.candle.col(rt))
rtsplot.legend(symbol, cols[1], list(rt))
rt <- rtsplot.scale.volume(rt)
rtsplot(rt, type = 'volume', plotX = FALSE, col = 'darkgray')
rtsplot.legend('Volume', 'darkgray', quantmod::Vo(rt))
```



GWAS

What is a GWAS?

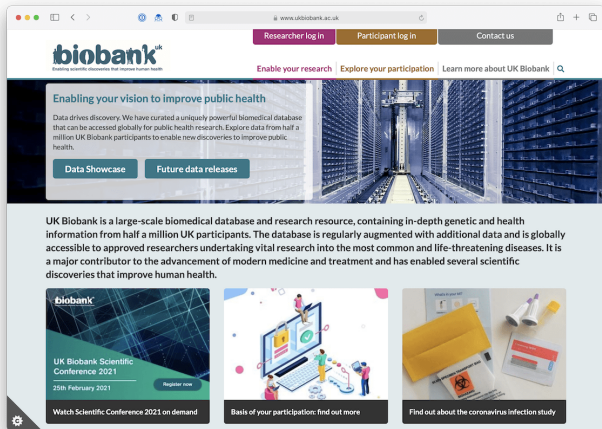
Overview

- GWAS: Genome-wide Association Study
- Used to identify regions of the genome that are associated with a particular trait (e.g., hair color)
- Requires:
 - 1) sequencing data on a large population of samples to identify genetic variants
 - 2) measurements for the trait of interest across the same samples

GWAS Results Example

variant	beta	se	tstat	pval
1:15791:C:T	-1.70174e+01	5.66755e+01	-3.00260e-01	7.63979e-01
1:69487:G:A	-5.70053e-02	1.11014e-01	-5.13496e-01	6.07605e-01
1:69569:T:C	-2.30684e-03	1.99098e-02	-1.15865e-01	9.07760e-01
1:139853:C:T	-5.62416e-02	1.11017e-01	-5.06603e-01	6.12434e-01
1:692794:CA:C	7.72562e-04	9.22074e-04	8.37852e-01	4.02114e-01
1:693731:A:G	1.31202e-03	8.71218e-04	1.50596e+00	1.32078e-01
1:707522:G:C	8.77269e-04	9.79498e-04	8.95631e-01	3.70450e-01
1:717587:G:A	-8.32431e-05	2.33724e-03	-3.56160e-02	9.71589e-01
1:723329:A:T	-1.15975e-02	6.88597e-03	-1.68422e+00	9.21406e-02
1:730087:T:C	4.23934e-05	1.21371e-03	3.49286e-02	9.72137e-01

Data source: UK Biobank



About

Provides an incredibly rich source of biomedical data collected from hundred of thousands of volunteers in the United Kingdom.

UK Biobank GWAS Dataset Stats

- Contains ~12,000 GWAS results files
- Analyzed over >4,000 traits across >350,000 individuals
- Also includes different versions of each analysis (e.g., sex-specific results)
- Each file:
 - contains ~10 million rows
 - ~500Mb gzipped (1.7Gb uncompressed)

UK Biobank announcement:

<http://www.nealelab.is/uk-biobank/ukbround2announcement>

Data Accessibility Goals

- Available on a remote cloud bucket
- Facilitate comparisons across phenotypes
- Query variants by their genomic location
- Query traits by their descriptive names

Tutorial Files

Copy GWAS tutorial to your working directory

```
# library(tiledb.user2021)
file.copy(
  from = system.file("examples/exGWAS.R", package = "tiledb.user2021"),
  to = "exGWAS.R"
)
```

Download GWAS results files

```
dir.create("gwas-tutorial/data", recursive = TRUE)
download_gwas_files("gwas-tutorial/data")
```

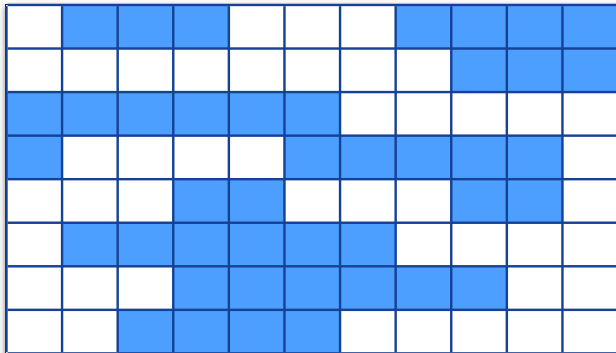
Extracting Genomic Location Data

variant	<i>becomes</i>	chr	pos	ref	alt
1:15791:C:T		1	15791	C	T
1:69487:G:A		1	69487	G	A
1:69569:T:C		1	69569	T	C
1:139853:C:T		1	139853	C	T
1:692794:CA:C		1	692794	CA	C
1:693731:A:G		1	693731	A	G
1:707522:G:C		1	707522	G	C
1:717587:G:A		1	717587	G	A

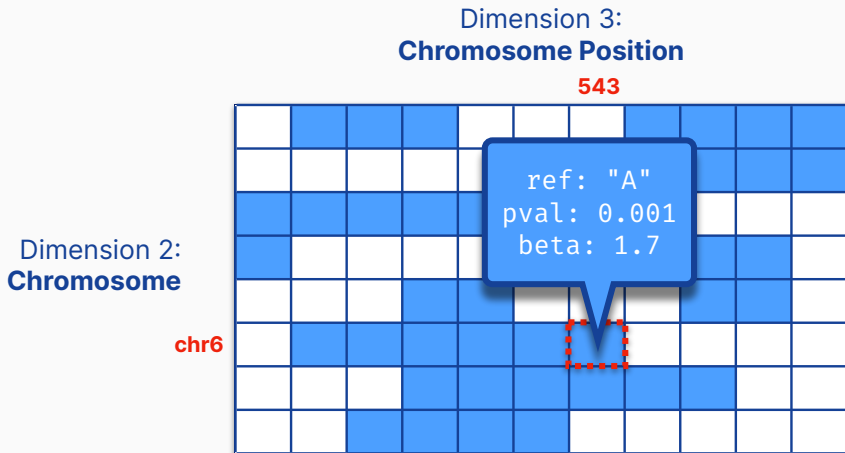
GWAS Array Layout

Dimension 3:
Chromosome Position

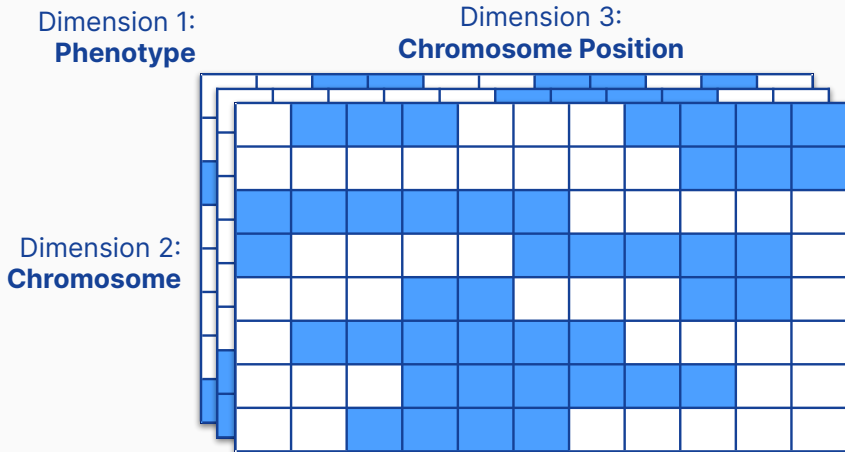
Dimension 2:
Chromosome



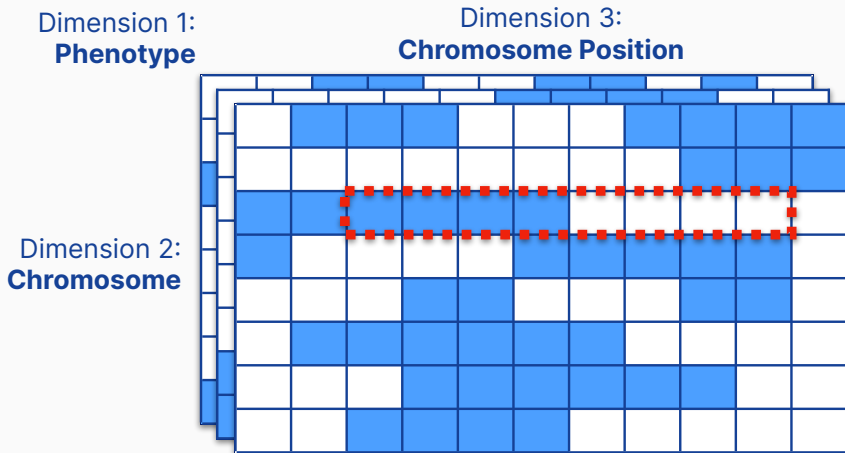
GWAS Array Layout



GWAS Array Layout



GWAS Array Layout



Array Dimensions

1. GWAS phenotype (e.g., *Ventricular rate*)
2. Variant chromosome (e.g., *chromosome 1*)
3. Chromosome position (e.g., 43,113,410 bp)

See our [docs](#) for more information about choosing/ordering dimensions.

GWAS Array Dimension 1

Phenotype (the descriptive name for each analyzed trait)

```
dim_pheno <- tiledb_dim(  
  name = "phenotype",  
  domain = NULL,  
  tile = NULL,  
  type = "ASCII"  
)
```

GWAS Array Dimension 2

Chromosome labels

```
dim_chr <- tiledb_dim(  
  name = "chr",  
  domain = NULL,  
  tile = NULL,  
  type = "ASCII"  
)
```

GWAS Array Dimension 3

Chromosome position

```
dim_pos <- tiledb_dim(  
  name = "pos",  
  domain = c(1L, 249250621L),  
  tile = 1e5L,  
  type = "UINT32"  
)
```

GWAS Array Attributes

```
attr_filters <- tiledb_filter_list(tiledb_filter("ZSTD"))

all_attrs <- list(
  ref = tiledb_attr("ref", type = "CHAR", filter_list = attr_filters),
  alt = tiledb_attr("alt", type = "CHAR", filter_list = attr_filters),
  minor_AF = tiledb_attr("minor_AF", type = "FLOAT64", filter_list = attr_filters),
  pval = tiledb_attr("pval", type = "FLOAT64", filter_list = attr_filters),
  tstat = tiledb_attr("tstat", type = "FLOAT64", filter_list = attr_filters),
  se = tiledb_attr("se", type = "FLOAT64", filter_list = attr_filters),
  beta = tiledb_attr("beta", type = "FLOAT64", filter_list = attr_filters)
)
```

GWAS Array Creation

```
# assemble the schema
gwas_schema <- tiledb_array_schema(
  domain = tiledb_domain(dims = c(dim_pheno, dim_chr, dim_pos)),
  attrs = all_attrs,
  sparse = TRUE,
  allows_dups = TRUE
)

# create the array
gwasdb_uri <- "data/ukbiobank-gwasdb"
tiledb_array_create(gwasdb_uri, schema = gwas_schema)
```

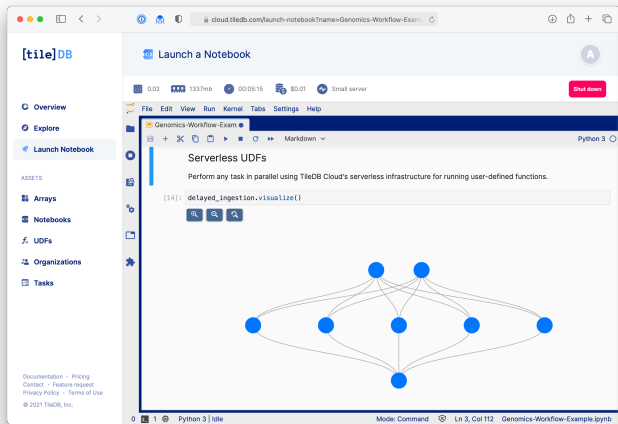
Ingest GWAS Results

```
# Open the array in WRITE mode
gwasdb <- tiledb_array(gwasdb_uri, "WRITE", as.data.frame = TRUE)

# load and ingest each gwas file
gwas_files <- dir("gwas-tutorial/data", full.names = TRUE)

for (i in seq_along(gwas_files)) {
  tbl_gwas <- vroom(gwas_files[i], col_types = cols(chr = col_character())
  gwasdb[] <- tbl_gwas
}
```

Parallel Ingestion



TileDB supports parallel reads and writes, so data ingestion could easily be distributed across nodes using e.g. HPCs or serverless UDFs on TileDB Cloud.

Query the GWAS Array

Let's return the results as a `data.frame` that includes the subset of attributes we're interested in.

```
gwasdb <- tiledb_array(  
  gwasdb_uri,  
  is.sparse = TRUE,  
  as.data.frame = TRUE,  
  attrs = c("beta", "se", "tstat", "pval")  
)
```


GWAS Query #1

Use [] indexing to query the first 2 dimensions (e.g., phenotype and chr).

```
gwasdb["Water intake", "20"]
```

```
# A tibble: 295,761 x 7
```

	phenotype	chr	pos	beta	se	tstat	pval
	<chr>	<chr>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	Water intake	20	61098	0.00199	0.00246	0.812	0.417
2	Water intake	20	61270	-0.00113	0.00719	-0.157	0.876
3	Water intake	20	61795	0.000381	0.00218	0.175	0.861
4	Water intake	20	62731	-0.00200	0.00328	-0.611	0.541
5	Water intake	20	63231	0.00219	0.00683	0.320	0.749

GWAS Query #2

Use `selected_ranges` to query all 3-dimensions and extract data for a specific genomic region.

```
selected_ranges(gwasdb) <- list(  
  phenotype = cbind("Water intake", "Water intake"),  
  chr = cbind("20", "20"),  
  pos = cbind(5e6, 6e6)  
)  
gwasdb[]
```

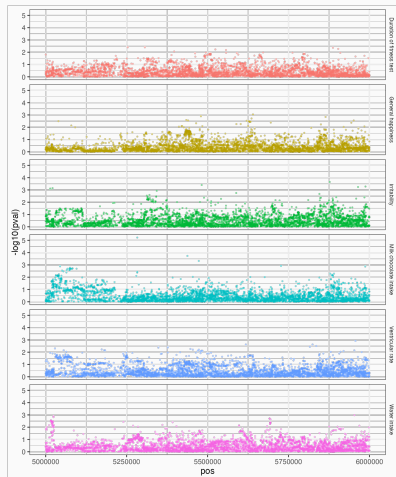
A tibble: 5,198 x 7

	phenotype	chr	pos	beta	se	tstat	pval
	<chr>	<chr>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	Water intake	20	5000142	0.0138	0.0103	1.34	0.180
2	Water intake	20	5000146	-0.00457	0.00529	-0.864	0.388
3	Water intake	20	5000279	0.00523	0.0181	0.288	0.773
4	Water intake	20	5000280	-0.00605	0.00246	-2.46	0.0139
5	Water intake	20	5000337	-0.00459	0.00529	-0.867	0.386

GWAS Query #3

Examine p-values across all phenotypes for the same genomic region.

```
selected_ranges(gwasdb) <- list(  
  phenotype = NULL,  
  chr = cbind("20", "20"),  
  pos = cbind(5e6, 6e6)  
)  
gwas_results <- gwasdb[  
manhattan_plot(gwas_results)
```



GWAS Resources

1. UK Biobank (<https://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk>)
2. Neale Lab UK Biobank GWAS results
(<https://www.nealelab.is/uk-biobank>)
3. GWAS Results Manifest

Wrap-Up

TileDB

- an open-source embeddable storage engine
- an open-source format for modeling any type of data
- fully cloud-native on AWS, GCS, Azure
- limitless scalability
- offers time travel
- offers Encryption

TileDB R Package

- available on CRAN, and already used by Bioconductor
- high-level R-friendly interface for creating/query TileDB arrays
- also includes low-level access to the full TileDB API
- fully interoperable with DBI, Arrow, ...

In Summary

Use cases

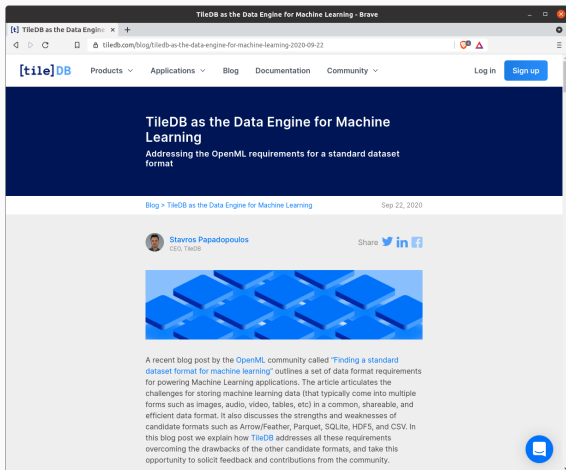
- limitless 😊 – just get in touch with TileDB for a demo

Use cases covered today

- Data Frames
- LiDAR and Geospatial uses
- Finance and Time Series
- Population Genomics and GWAS

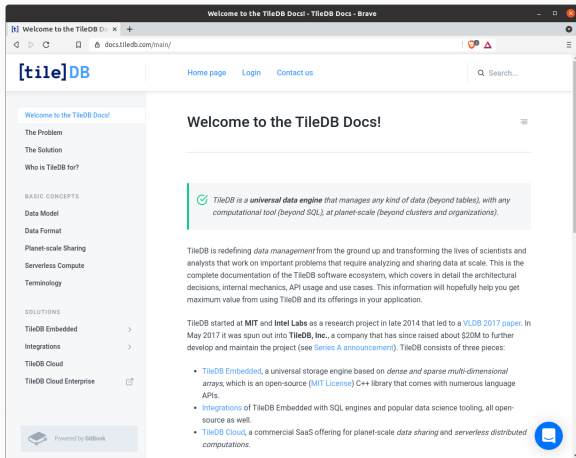
Further Resources

Resources



Blog post describing how TileDB answers the data format requirements for scientific data as layed out in an earlier post by the OpenML team.

Documentation



Extensive documentation on
TileDB, APIs, Usage, and more

docs.tiledb.com

github.com/TileDB-Inc/TileDB-R

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