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Rate limits

- 1. Restrictions on number of API calls by user and period of time
- 2. APIs are expensive!

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Authentication

- Most common is an open standard called OAuth
- Connections without sharing username and password, only temporary tokens that can be refreshed
- httr package in R implements most cases (examples)

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