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Practical Class 6

Neo4j

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Data Model

Database system structure

 $\mathsf{Instance} \to \mathsf{single} \ \mathbf{graph}$

Property graph = directed labeled multigraph

Collection of vertices (nodes) and edges (relationships)

Node

- Internal identifier
- Set of labels, set of properties

Relationship

- Internal identifier
- Direction, start and end node
- Exactly one type, set of properties

First Steps

Connect to our NoSQL server

- SSH / PuTTY and SFTP / WinSCP
- nosql.ms.mff.cuni.cz:42222

Start Neo4j shell and create your database

• neo4j-shell --path directory

Get familiar with basic commands

- help
- exit

Fill your database with sample data

• See /home/PDB/neo4j/data.cypher

- Find movies with identifier medvidek
- Return movie nodes together with title properties

- Find actors born in 1965 or later
- Return actor names and years they were born
- Sort the result using years (in descending order) and then names (in ascending order)

Express the following Cypher query

Find titles of movies in which Jiri Machacek played

Express the following Cypher query

Find movies where at least one actor played

Express the following Cypher query

· Find actors who played with Ivan Trojan

- Find all friends of actor Ivan Trojan
- Include friends of friends etc.
- Return actor names

- Find pairs of movies and their actors
- Include movies without actors as well

- Find actors who played in movies having above average number of actors
- Return actor names

References

Embedded database and traversal framework

https://neo4j.com/docs/java-reference/current/

JavaDoc

https://neo4j.com/docs/java-reference/current/javadocs/

Cypher query language

https://neo4j.com/docs/developer-manual/current/cypher/

Cypher reference card

https://neo4j.com/docs/cypher-refcard/current/