NIE-PDB | Advanced Database Systems | 2025/26 Winter

Assignment A07 – Neo4j

Assignment

- Insert realistic nodes and relationships into our Neo4j database
 - Use a single CREATE statement for this purpose
 - Insert altogether at least 10 nodes for entities of at least 2 different types (i.e., different labels)
 - Insert altogether at least 15 relationships of at least 2 different types
 - Include properties (both for nodes and relationships)
 - Associate all your nodes with user-defined identifiers
- Express 5 Cypher query expressions
 - Use at least once each of the following (sub)clauses
 - MATCH, OPTIONAL MATCH, RETURN, WITH, WHERE, and ORDER BY
 - Use aggregation in at least one query
 - Do not forget that SIZE is not an aggregate function

Requirements

- Since just a single shared database is available, the following convention needs to be followed
 - Prefix names of all **node labels and relationship types** with your login name (pdb251_login)
 - E.g., pdb251_login_ACTOR for a node label or pdb251_login_PLAY for a relationship type
- During the homework assessment, these prefixes will automatically be replaced
 - You can thus safely assume that no nodes or relationships having such prefixes will exist
- Describe the meaning of your Cypher expressions in natural language
 - Comments are written as // comment
- Each query expression must be evaluated to a **non-empty result**
- Specify node labels and relationship types and directions whenever possible

Submission

• queries.cypher: text file with a sequence of Cypher statements (including CREATE)

Execution

- Execute the following shell command to evaluate the whole Neo4j script
 - cypher-shell -u \$UserName -p \$UserPassword -f \$ScriptFile \
 --non-interactive --format verbose
 - \$UserName is your Neo4j user name (i.e., pdb251_login)
 - \$UserPassword is your Neo4j password (if not specified, you will be prompted)
 - \$ScriptFile is a file with Cypher queries to be executed (i.e., queries.cypher)

Tools

- Neo4j (4.4.10) https://www.neo4j.org/
 - Already installed on the NoSQL server

References

- Cypher Query Language
 - https://neo4j.com/docs/cypher-manual/4.4/

• Cypher Reference Card

 $-\ https://neo4j.com/docs/cypher-cheat-sheet/4/all/$