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**Practical Class 8** 

## Cassandra

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## **Data Model**

#### Database system structure

$$\mathsf{Instance} \to \mathbf{keyspaces} \to \mathbf{tables} \to \mathbf{rows} \to \mathbf{columns}$$

- Keyspace
- Table (column family)
  - Collection of (similar) rows
  - <u>Table schema must be specified</u>, yet can be modified later on
- Row
  - Collection of columns
  - Rows in a table do not need to have the same columns
  - Each row is uniquely identified by a primary key
- Column
  - Name-value pair + additional data

## **Data Model**

#### Column values

- Empty value
  - null
- Atomic value
  - Native data types such as texts, integers, dates, ...
  - Tuples
    - Tuple of anonymous fields, each of <u>any</u> type (even different)
  - User defined types (UDT)
    - Set of named fields of <u>any</u> type
- Collections
  - Lists, sets, and maps
    - Nested tuples, UDTs, or collections are allowed, but currently only in frozen mode (such elements are serialized when stored)

## **Query Language**

#### **CQL** = Cassandra Query Language

- DDL statements
  - CREATE KEYSPACE creates a new keyspace
  - CREATE TABLE creates a new table
  - ...

#### DML statements

- SELECT selects and projects rows from a <u>single</u> table
- INSERT inserts rows into a table
- UPDATE updates columns of rows in a table
- DELETE removes rows from a table
- ..

# First Steps

#### Connect to our NoSQL server

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

#### Start CQLSH shell

cqlsh

#### **Basic useful commands**

- CLEAR
  - Clear the shell terminal window
- EXIT QUIT
  - Terminates the current database connection

# **Keyspace**

### Create your personal keyspace

```
CREATE KEYSPACE login
WITH
  replication = {'class': 'SimpleStrategy', 'replication_factor': 3}
```

Use your login name as a name of your keyspace

#### List all existing keyspaces

DESCRIBE KEYSPACES

#### Switch to your keyspace

• USE login

## **Tables**

#### Create a new table for users

Columns: integer identifier, first name, last name

#### View table definition

• DESCRIBE TABLE users

#### **Insert new users** into the table of users

- 1, Irena, Holubova
- 2, Martin, Svoboda

#### Browse existing users

- Find all users
- Find a specific user with identifier 1

# **Filtering**

### Try to find a particular user according to their last name

• lname = 'Holubova'

### Create a secondary index for last names

CREATE INDEX ON ...

### Try to find a particular user once again

Enable filtering

# **Types**

### Create a user-defined type for names of people

- CREATE TYPE ...
- Fields: first, last

#### Create a new table for contacts

- Columns
  - id: integer identifier
  - name: first and last name
  - address: triple of street, city and ZIP code
  - emails: set of e-mail addresses
  - apps: list of preferred messenger applications
  - phones: map of phone numbers (work, home, ...)

## Insertion

#### Insert new records into the table of contacts

• 1

Irena Holubova Malostranske namesti, Praha, 11800 holubova@ksi.mff.cuni.cz WhatsApp, Messenger work +420951554316

• 2

Martin Svoboda svoboda@ksi.mff.cuni.cz, martin.svoboda@mff.cuni.cz Viber, WhatsApp work +420951554250. fax +420951554323

# **Update**

### Modify existing contact records

- Replace columns of a person with id 1
  - Replace address: Malostranske namesti 25, Praha, 11800
  - Replace applications: Hangouts
- Modify columns of a person with id 1
  - Add new e-mail address: holubova@ksi.mff.cuni.cz
  - Add new applications: Messenger and WhatsApp
  - Add new phone number: home +420123456789
- Modify columns of a person with id 1
  - Remove e-mail address: irena.holubova@mff.cuni.cz
  - Remove applications: Hangouts and Messenger
  - Remove phone number: home

### Deletion

### Modify columns of existing contact records

- Remove / update columns of a person with id 1
  - Remove address column
  - Remove the first application
  - Remove phone number to work

# **Aggregation and Ordering**

### Create a new table for messages

- Columns
  - sender: integer identifier of a sender
  - app: name of a messenger application used
  - date: date a given message was sent
  - time: time a given message was sent
  - recipient: integer identifier of a recipient
  - message: message text
- Primary key involves the following columns
  - sender, app, date, and time
- Columns sender and app are considered to be partitioning

# **Aggregation and Ordering**

### Insert the following rows into the table of messages

```
INSERT INTO messages (sender, app, date, time, recipient, message)
VALUES (2, 'WhatsApp', '2017-11-27', '10:00:00', 1, 'Hi Irena');
INSERT INTO messages (sender, app, date, time, recipient, message)
VALUES (2, 'WhatsApp', '2017-11-27', '10:15:00', 1, 'Are you there?');
INSERT INTO messages (sender, app, date, time, recipient, message)
VALUES (2, 'Messenger', '2017-11-27', '10:30:00', 1, 'Are you there?');
INSERT INTO messages (sender, app, date, time, recipient, message)
VALUES (1, 'WhatsApp', '2017-11-27', '10:45:00', 2, 'Yes, I am');
```

# **Aggregation and Ordering**

### Find all messages of a user with id 2 sent using whatsapp

 Order the rows according to dates and times, both in descending order

### Aggregate messages sent by a particular user with id 2

 Return the overall number of sent messages for each combination of an application name and message date

## References

**CQL** – Cassandra Query Language

• http://cassandra.apache.org/doc/latest/cql/