

Neo4j instruction

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Tutorial materials

[1] <https://neo4j.com/developer/get-started/>

[2] <https://neo4j.com/blog/neo4j-video-tutorials/>

[3] <https://www.tutorialspoint.com/neo4j/index.htm> 

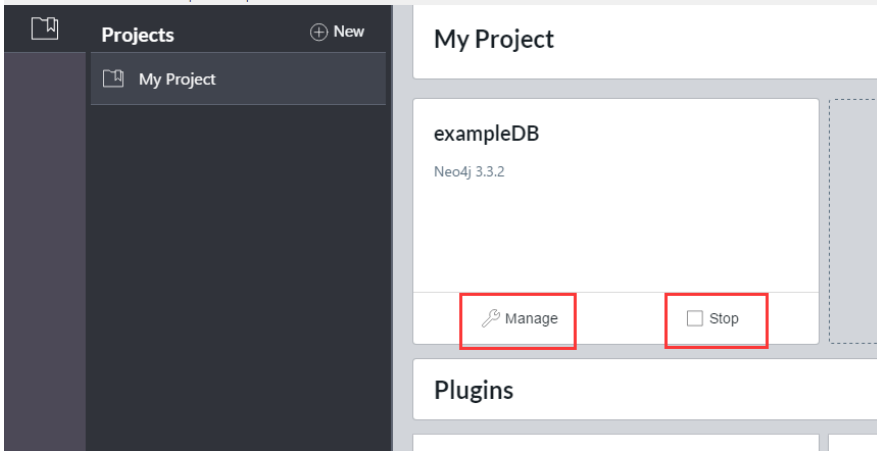
[4] <https://www.quackit.com/neo4j/tutorial/>

Installation & Start

- You can obtain .exe and .dmg in <https://neo4j.com/download/>
- Localhost:7474
- Default username: neo4j
- Default password: neo4j

Neo4j Desktop - 1.0.13

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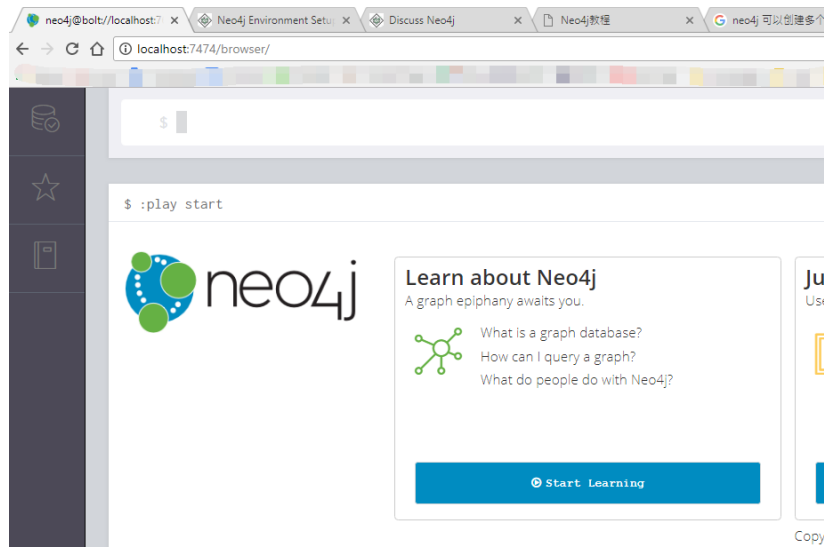


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Installation & Start 2

- https://www.tutorialspoint.com/neo4j/neo4j_environment_setup.htm
- Remember to setup the system path:
 - NEO4J_HOME = *****\neo4j-community-3.3.2
 - PATH = *****\neo4j-community-3.3.2\bin

Select Windows PowerShell

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PS D:\Projects> neo4j console
WARNING: This command does not appear to be running with administrative
2018-02-02 16:32:25.552+0000 INFO  ===== Neo4j 3.3.2 =====
2018-02-02 16:32:25.951+0000 INFO  Starting...
2018-02-02 16:32:32.098+0000 INFO  Bolt enabled on 127.0.0.1:7687.
2018-02-02 16:33:05.417+0000 INFO  Started.
```

Neo4j basic elements

- Node & Relationship
- Labels



- Properties



Neo4j Cypher Query Language (CQL)

- Ref: https://www.tutorialspoint.com/neo4j/neo4j_cql_introduction.htm
- Frequent CQL operations:
 - Create (unique), delete, merge
 - match, return, where + order by, limit, skip, Count, substring
 - Set, remove
 - foreach

Set 1: create nodes & relationships

- `CREATE (node_name:label {key1:value1, key2:value2,...})`
- Use “match (n) return n” to check results
- `CREATE CONSTRAINT ON (n:label) ASSERT n.property IS UNIQUE`

- `MATCH (a:student), (b:student)`
- `WHERE a.name = "Kary" AND b.name = "Peter"`
- `CREATE (a)-[rel:friends_of]->(b)`
- `RETURN a,b`

- CREATE (a:person:student{name: "Kary", gender:"female", age:"25"})
- CREATE (b:person:player{name: "Kelly", gender:"female", age:"20"})
- CREATE (c:person:student{name: "Peter", gender:"male", age:"25"})
- CREATE (d:person:officier{name: "alia", gender:"female", age:"23"})

\$ match (n) return n

*(8) person(4) student(2) player(1) officier(1)

Graph

Table

Text

Code

Peter

Kelly

alia

Kary

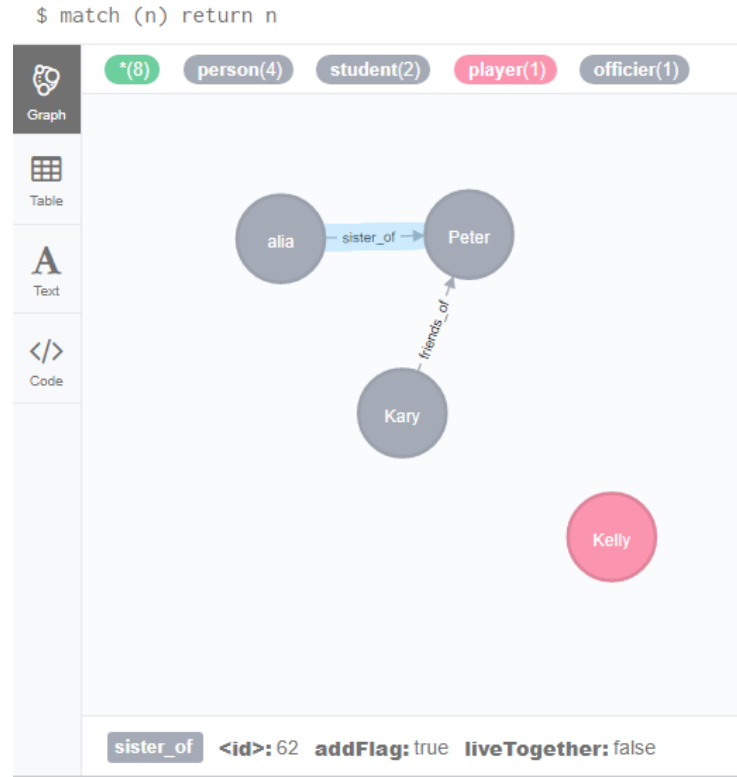
Displaying 4 nodes, 0 relationships.



Set 1: Merge

- Match first, if the node is not found, create the node.
 - On Create and On Match can help with extra data operation.
 - Merge both nodes & relationships.
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- MERGE (node:label) RETURN node
 - MERGE (node a)-[rel:relationship]->(node b)

- MATCH (a:person), (b:person)
- WHERE a.name = "alia" AND b.name = "Peter"
- MERGE (a)-[relationship:sister_of{liveTogether:False}]->(b)
- on match set relationship.addFlag=False
- on create set relationship.addFlag=True
- RETURN a, b



Set 1: delete

- Delete selected nodes:
 - Merge(testNode:random)
 - MATCH (node:random)
 - DETACH DELETE node
- Delete all nodes & relationships in the database.
 - MATCH (n) DETACH DELETE n

Set 2: match where return + orderby

- match (n:person)
- where n.gender = "female"
- return n.name, n.age
- order by n.age

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match (n:person) where n.gender = "female" return n.name, n.age order by n.age
```

n.name	n.age
"Kelly"	"20"
"alia"	"23"
"Kary"	"25"

Set 2: limit, skip, Count, substring

- `match (n:person) return n.name, n.age, n.gender limit 2`
- `match (n:person) return n.name, n.age, n.gender order by n.age skip 2`
- `match (n:person) return n.gender, count(*)`
- `match (n:person) return n.name, n.age, substring(n.gender, 0, 1)`

Set3: SET + REMOVE

- SET:

- Add a/multiple property
- Add a/multiple labels on a node
- Remove a property = REMOVE

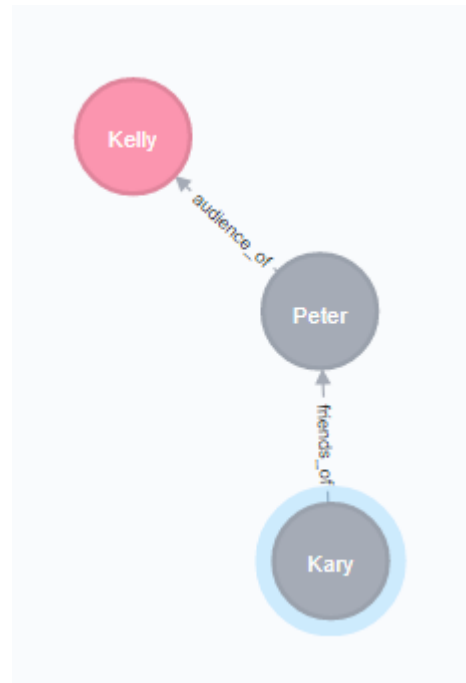
- match(n)
- where n.name="alia"
- set n.hobby="reading" or null
- return n

- match(n)
- where n.name="alia"
- set n:mother
- return n



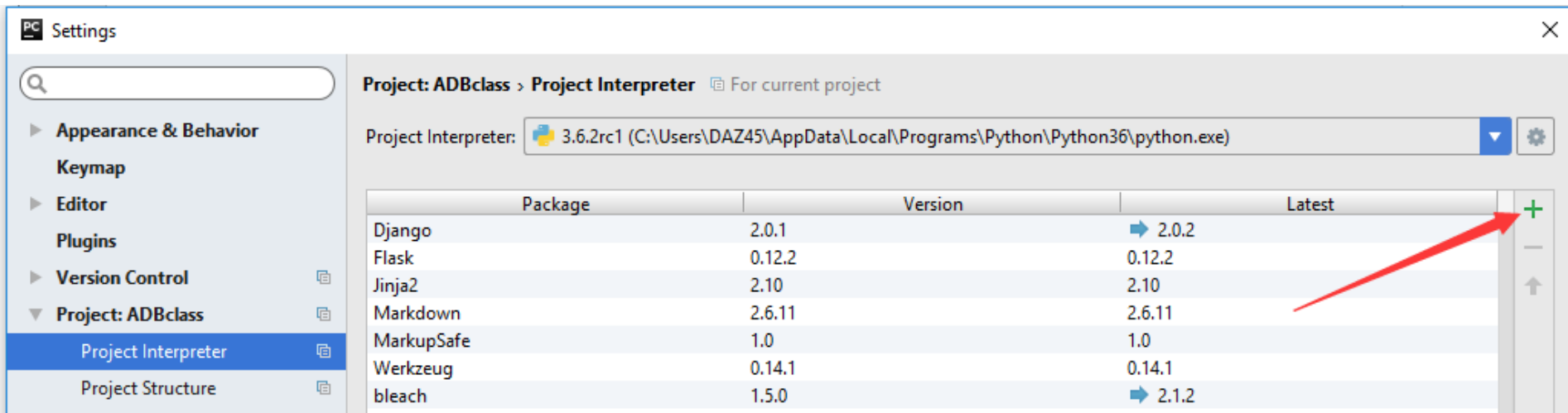
Set 4: foreach

- Traverse the nodes in the path or a result of aggregation.
- MATCH p = (a:person)-[*]->(b:player)
- WHERE a.name = "Kary" AND b.name = "Kelly"
- FOREACH (n IN nodes(p)| SET n.marked = TRUE)
- return p



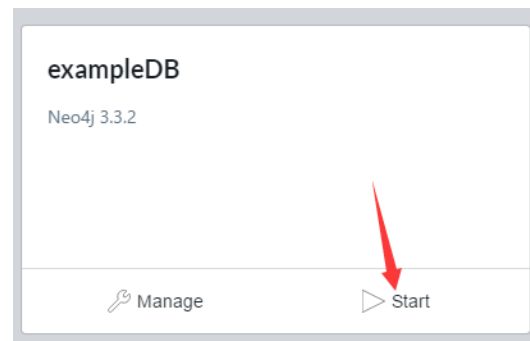
Control Neo4j with python

- You need py2neo
 - \$ pip install py2neo
 - Pycharm=>File=>Settings=>Project:**=>Project Interpreter=>



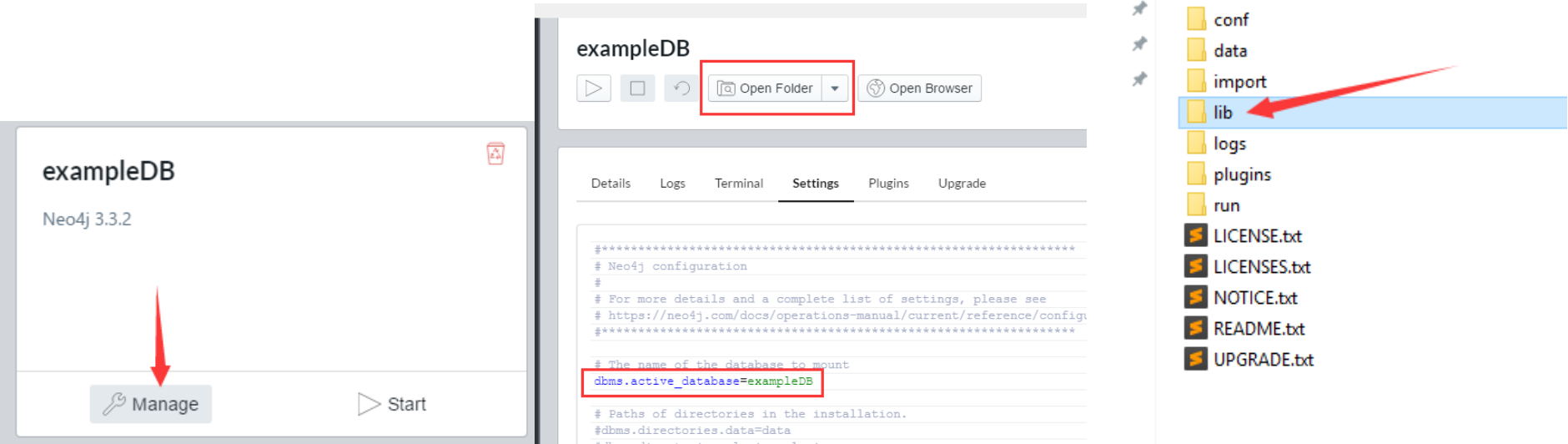
Connection to Neo4j with python

- `graph = Graph("localhost:7474", username = "neo4j", password = "112358")`
- First, build a database, and turn on the server.
- Second, code and run it.



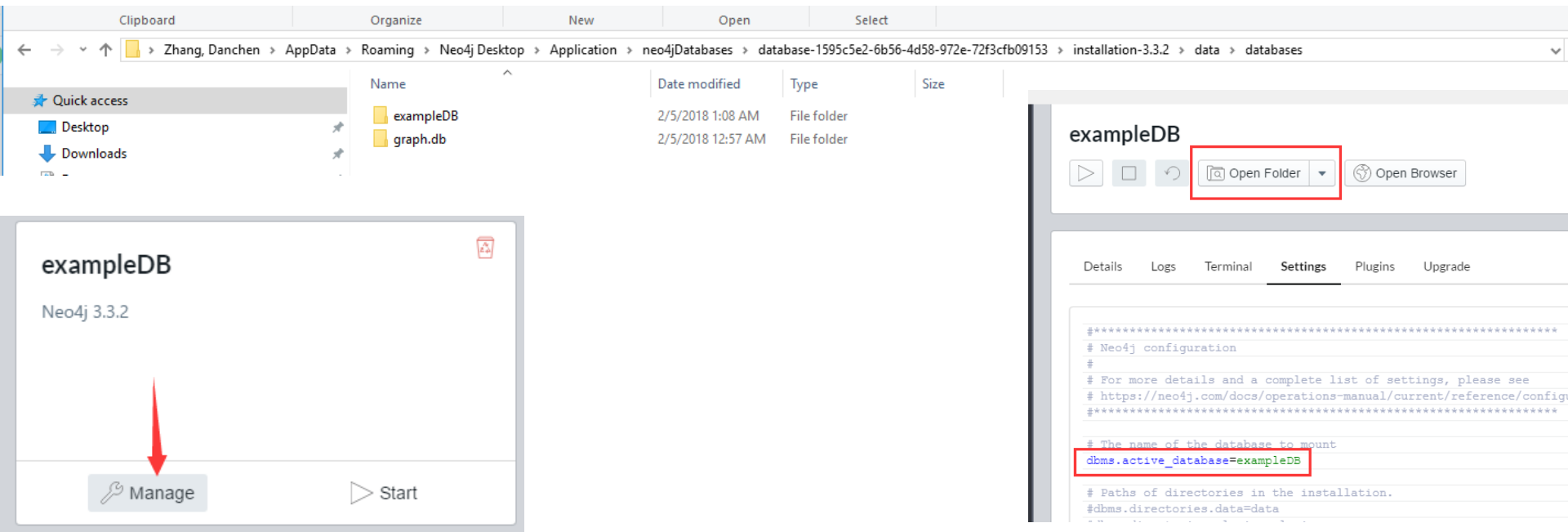
Import jar file for Java

- Right click on your project in eclipse => Build Path => Add external jars => import all jar files in the lib folder.
- **Close the neo4j server before running Java.**



Connect Neo4j with Java

- `GraphDatabaseFactory dbFactory = new GraphDatabaseFactory();`
- `GraphDatabaseService db = dbFactory.newEmbeddedDatabase(new File("C:\\Users\\.....\\installation-3.3.2\\data\\databases\\exampleDB"));`



Any Q?