

Groonga query specification

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- So, this slide describes Groonga query structures for query builder developers.

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Groonga query has multiple parts.

part	content	mandatory?
command	command name	yes
mandatory parameter(s)	pairs of keys and value	yes
optional parameter(s)	pairs of keys and values	no
additional parameter(s)	pairs of keys and values	no

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Groonga query basics –example

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query type	content	valid/invalid
non-named query	table_create Site TABLE_HASH_KEY ShortText	valid
non-named query	table_create Site ShortText TABLE_HASH_KEY	invalid
named query	table_create -flags TABLE_HASH_KEY -key_type ShortText -name Site	valid
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Any questions?