datalog



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agenda

Datomic and datalog

joins

functional extensions

navigational extensions

disjunction and negation

chronological extensions

programming with data

what is Datomic?

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what is datalog?

deductive query system

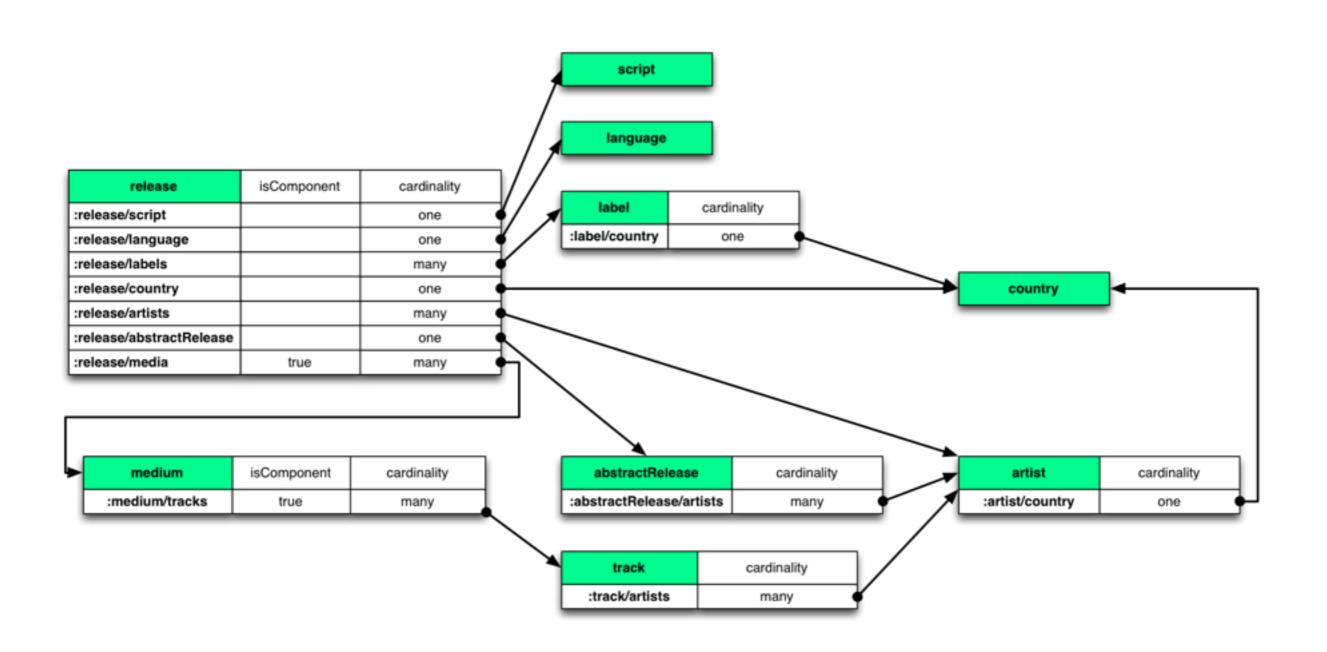
database of facts

rules for deriving new information

finds facts from partial specifications

works extremely well w/ OO and sexpr languages

example: mbrainz



a little Datomic datalog

facts are five-tuples

entity, attribute, value, transaction, op

basic specification via data clauses

constants constrain results, variables bound to matching tuples

find arguments get result data out

in arguments put input data in

database subset

entity	attribute	value
42	:release/name	Led Zeppelin
43	:release/name	Led Zeppelin II
42	:release/artists	107
43	:release/artists	107

00 syntax

matching a data clause

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release.name(name);

a complete query

```
Query q = find(name)
    .where(release.name(name));
    vars
    specifications
```

leverage type systems

```
static final Release.V release = Release.var();
static final Var<String> name = var();
```

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```

consuming query results

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```
find(release)
.where(release.name("Led Zeppelin"));
```

in args

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joins

implicit (repeated vars)

universal schema FTW

flat

no structural navigation

no nesting / containment

no directionality penalties

a simple join

just repeat variables!

no table structure

release.artists(artist)



```
.join(ARTIST)
.on(ARTIST.ID.equals(RELEASE.ARTIST_ID)
```

SQL

a four-way join

```
find(title, album, year)
.in($, artistName)
.where(artist.name(artistName),
       track.artists(artist),
       track.name(title),
       medium.tracks(track),
       release.media(medium),
       release.name(album),
       release.year(year));
```

avoid documents

powerless

inflexible

choice != flexibility

documents force you into choices for relationships

embed relations?

links?

which direction?

choices must be made again for every relation queries must reference these choices explicitly need a different query? start over and model again!

functional extensions

predicates

aggregates

comparison predicate

aggregate expression

pull expressions

```
pull provides declarative navigation
```

```
datalog finds entities, then ...
```

... pull navigates from entities to/through attributes

pull specific attributes (with types)

pull wildcards

pull recursively

```
Query q = find(artist. pull(Artist.startYear,
                            Artist.endYear),
               release. pull(ALL))
        .where(artist.name("Paul McCartney"
               release.artists(artist));
                                                   attrs
for (Iterator<Tuple> iterator = tuples.iterator();
     iterator.hasNext(); ) {
    Tuple t = iterator.next();
   Artist.E a = t.get(artist);
    Release.E r = t.get(release);
    System.out.println(a.startYear() + " " +
                       a.endYear() + " " +
                       r.name() + " " +
                       r.media());
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```

disjunction

nest clauses inside or

negation

```
match some
                             tuples
q = find(Op.count(artist).as(count))
     .where(artist.name(),
            not(artist.country(Country.US)));
              shrink match-in-hand
                 by subtracting
               a different match
```

agile queries

style	supporting index
k/v	AVET
row (RDBMS)	EAVT
column	AEVT
document	EAVT, components
graph	VAET

indelible and chronological

E / A / V / Transaction / Added

transactions are first class entities

db is accumulate-only

"deletion" accumulates a datom with Added: false

not append-only

apply time travel filters to db without changing query

chronological filters

db view	semantics	supports
(default)	current state	what is the current situation?
.asOf	state at point in past	how were things in the past?
.since	state since point in past	how have things changed?
tx report	before / after / change view of tx	automated event response
.with	state with proposed additions	what would happen if we did X?
.history	timeless view of all history	anything!

asOf query

```
filter to a different
                                   point in time
Database db = conn.db();
Database olderbb =
db.asOf(formatter.parse("01/01/2013"));
Query q = find(...);
Collection<Tuple> tuples =
    client.q(QueryRequest.create(q, olderDb))
    .get()
    .value();
                    only input changes,
                    query remains same
```

raw data

e	a	v	tx	added
0x00000c00000003e9	:db/txInstant	Mon Dec 31 19:00:00	0xc00000003e9	TRUE
0x00001000000003ea	:item/id	DLC-042	0xc00000003e9	TRUE
0x00001000000003ea	:item/description	Dilitihium Crystals	0xc00000003e9	TRUE
0x0000100000003ea	:item/count	100	0xc00000003e9	TRUE
0x00000c00000003eb	:db/txInstant	Thu Jan 31 19:00:00	0xc00000003eb	TRUE
0x00001000000003ea	:item/count	100	0xc00000003eb	FALSE
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0x00001000000003ea	:item/count	250	0xc0000003ec	FALSE
0x0000100000003ea	:item/count	50	0xc0000003ec	TRUE
0x00000c00000003ed	:db/txInstant	Mon Mar 31 20:00:00	0xc00000003ed	TRUE
0x00000c00000003ed	:tx/error	TRUE	0xc00000003ed	TRUE
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default filter

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as-of filter

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since filter

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history = raw

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query for transaction

built-in Db type

```
Db.V tx = Db.var();
Var<Date> txTime = var();
```

tx works like any other entity

where are we?

a database should be	we have seen
powerful	unification, joins, predicates, aggregates, navigation (pull), disjunction, negation
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```
Query q = find(Op.count(artist).as(count))
     .where(artist.name(),
            or(artist.country(Country.US),
                artist.country(Country.CA)));
  typed OO
                           data (S expression)
  DSL is icing
                                is cake
[:find (count ?artist)
 :where [?artist :artist/name]
        (or [?artist :artist/country :country/US]
            [?artist :artist/country :country/US])]
```

want more dessert?

this talk was all about the icing

(brand new icing still in the kitchen)

everything you saw today (and more) available in cake-land

docs: http://docs.datomic.com/query.html

video: http://datomic.com/training.html

layering FTW

nothing in cake-land has changed

thanks!

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