

INTRODUCTION TO LINKED DATA AND GRAPH DATABASES

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

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HELP!

WHO?

HOW?

OUTLINE

- Introduction
 - Server Login
 - Data as a Graph
- Exercises
 1. Neo4j Labeled Property Graph (LPG)
 2. Resource Description Framework (RDF)
- Demonstrations (time permitting)
 - SDTM as LGP
 - SDTM as RDF

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"INTRODUCTION TO LINKED DATA AND GRAPH DATABASES"

"FROM WHITEBOARD TO QUERYABLE GRAPH: A *VERY BASIC* INTRODUCTION TO CONVERTING CLINICAL TRIALS CONCEPT DATA."

MATERIALS

- Laptop - power up!
- Pencil + eraser, or pen
- Printed copies of:
 - Exercises
 - Neo4j Diagram
 - RDF Diagram
- Server IP Address

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SERVER LOGIN

Instructions in Exercises (Page 3)

Computer:

User name: **phuseldw**

Password:

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WHY DATA AS A GRAPH?

ONE EXAMPLE: SDTM DOMAINS

SDTM DM DOMAIN

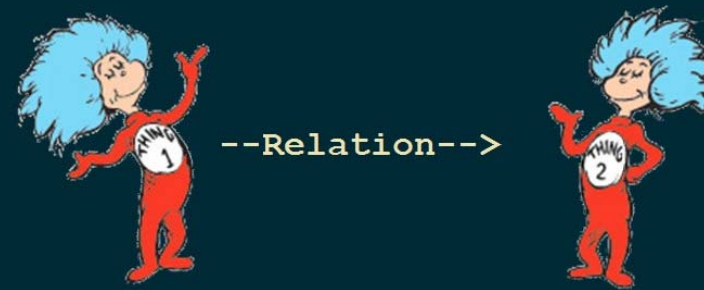
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3	2	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1023	1023	64	YEARS	M	WHITE	HISPANIC OR LATINO	Pbo	Placebo	Pbo	Placebo	USA
4	3	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1028	1028	71	YEARS	M	WHITE	NOT HISPANIC OR LAT	Xan_Hi	Xanomelir	Xan_Hi	Xanomelir	USA
5	4	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1033	1033	74	YEARS	M	WHITE	NOT HISPANIC OR LAT	Xan_Lo	Xanomelir	Xan_Lo	Xanomelir	USA
6	5	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1034	1034	77	YEARS	F	WHITE	NOT HISPANIC OR LAT	Xan_Hi	Xanomelir	Xan_Hi	Xanomelir	USA
7	6	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1047	1047	85	YEARS	F	WHITE	NOT HISPANIC OR LAT	Pbo	Placebo	Pbo	Placebo	USA

What is wrong here?

- Inflexible, version specific row x column structure and format
- Mixture of concepts
- No integral metadata
- Data repetition

GRAPH DATA CAN FIX THESE PROBLEMS!

DATA AS A GRAPH?

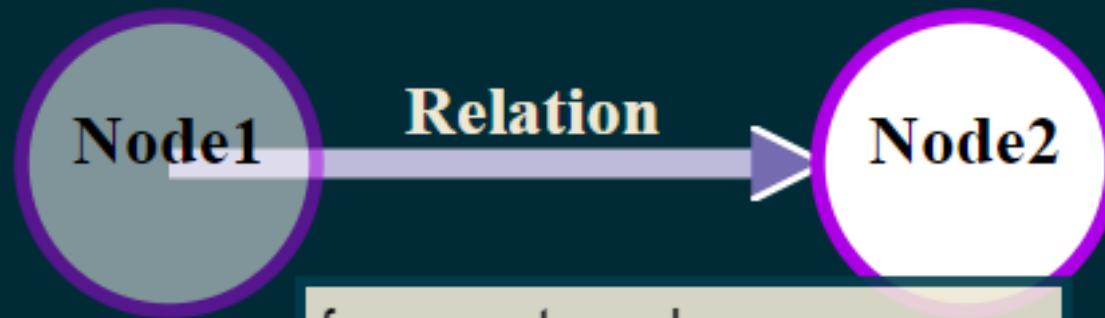


Compare Neo4j with RDF

NEO4J, RDF COMPARISON

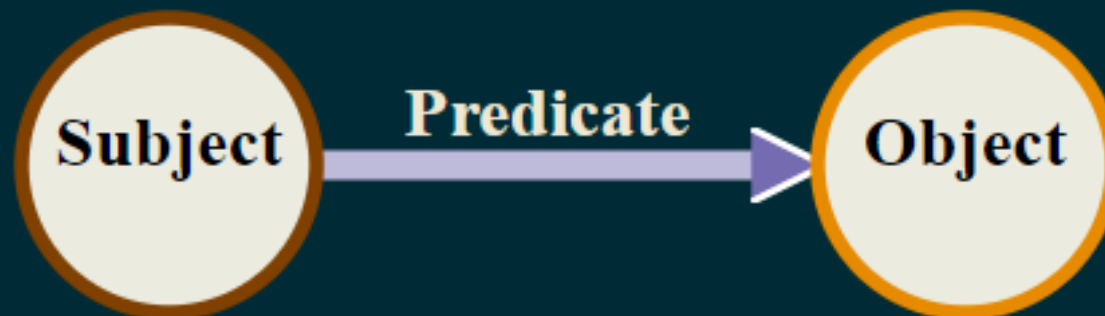
Neo4j

Model



{ property:value
property:value }

RDF Triple



Instance



NEO4J, RDF: MORE CORE DIFFERENCES

	Neo4j	RDF
Query	Cypher	SPARQL
Traverse	Easier	Harder
Graph	Less complex, shallow	More complex, deep
Ontologies	Code them externally?	Many available & tools to make them.
Learning	Easier	Harder

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Real World
Model



Diagram

Machine
Readable



Spreadsheet

Linked Data



Neo4j

Query, Vis



APPROACH

- Model instances, not ontology ; Real-life things, not a classification of *types* of things (ontology)
 - Example: **PERSON1** *enrolledin* **STUDY1** not "PATIENTS enrolledin STUDIES"
- See "Guidelines for Adding Nodes and Relations"

IDEAS FOR NEW NODES

Site

- **SITE1** *located in* **COUNTRY1**
- **SITE1** *investigator* **INVESTIGATOR1**

Person

- **PERSON1** *gender* **M**

Study

- **STUDY1** *sponsor* **COMPANY1**

1.1 DIAGRAM THE MODEL

"WHITE BOARD" THE THINGS

Handout: [Neo4j Diagram](#)

1.2 TRANSFER DIAGRAM TO SPREADSHEET

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Table 1. Nodes and Relations				Table 2: Node P:V Pairs		
2	StartNode	Relation	EndNode		Node	Property	Value
3	PERSON1	enrolledin	STUDY1		PERSON1	firstname	Bob
4	PERSON1	treatment	TREAT1		PERSON1	age	32
5	STUDY1	treatmentarm	TREAT1		STUDY1	title	Phase 2 Double-blind study of Serum 114
6	STUDY1	protocol	PROTOCOL1		TREAT1	label	Placebo
7	STUDY1	treatmentarm	TREAT2		TREAT1	description	Sugar water
8	PERSON2	enrolledin	STUDY1		STUDY1	phase	II
9	PERSON2	treatment	TREAT2		PERSON2	firstname	Sally
10					PERSON2	gender	F
11					TREAT2	label	50mg Serum 114
12					PROTOCOL1	title	Phase 2 Trial of Serum 114 in patients with acute episodes of ultraviolence

...WAIT FOR INSTRUCTOR WHEN DONE!

1.3 UPLOAD TO NEO4J

1.4 QUERY AND VISUALIZE

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Linked Data



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2.1 RDF SPREADSHEET TO DIAGRAM

NEO4J CONCEPTS TO THE RDF DIAGRAM

Handout: [RDF Diagram](#)

OBJECT TYPES

Type	Description
<i>uri</i>	Object links to another node or <i>could</i> link to another node
<i>string</i>	Character string/value that does not link to other nodes
<i>int</i>	Integer number. No link to other nodes

2.2 ASSIGN OBJECT TYPE

1. Add the Object Type in each row.

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	A	B	C	D
1	Subject	Predicate	Object	ObjectType
2	PERSON1	firstname	Bob	string
3	PERSON1	age	32	int
4	PERSON1	treatment	TREAT1	uri
5	PERSON1	enrolledin	STUDY1	uri
6	STUDY1	title	Phase 2 Double-blind study of Serum 114	string
7	STUDY1	treatmentarm	TREAT1	uri
8	TREAT1	label	Placebo	string
9	TREAT1	description	Sugar Water	string
10	PERSON2	enrolledin	STUDY1	uri
11	PERSON2	firstname	Sally	string
12	PERSON2	gender	F	uri
13	PERSON2	treatment	TREAT2	uri
14	PROTOCOL1	title	Phase 2 Trial of Serum 114 in patients with acute episodes of ultraviolence	string
15	STUDY1	phase	II	string
16	STUDY1	protocol	PROTOCOL1	uri
17	STUDY1	treatmentarm	TREAT2	uri
18	TREAT2	label	50mg Serum 114	string
19				

2.3 CREATE RDF (TTL) FILE

2.4 QUERY AND VISUALIZE

WHICH TO CHOOSE: NEO4J OR RDF?

NEO4J

- Graph path traversal
- Process flow
- Changing (transactional) data
- Where connections/relations(links) are key

RDF

WHICH TO CHOOSE: NEO4J OR RDF?

- Classification (ontologies)
- Rules and Logic
- Datatyping, Time concepts
- Non-transactional data

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BUT SECOND: RESOURCES

- Workshop materials, including the SPARQL and CYPHER scripts, plus PDF of this presentation
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NEO4J RESOURCES

Recommended Overview	https://neo4j.com/developer/graph-database/
Overview of graph db and Neo4j [optional]	https://youtu.be/U8ZGVx1NmQg [45min]
Intro to Cypher	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TSBXZMv6tc [49min]
Graph Modeling	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AaJS-DGBQX4 [42min]

RDF AND PROTEGE RESOURCES

Introduction to Semantic Web	http://www.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/introduction-semantic-web
What is Linked Data?	http://www.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/what-linked-data
Introduction to Linked data	http://www.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/introduction-linked-data
Protege Application	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Nf2xf5akoM