

French Collation vs English Collation.

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Greetings,

I am using neo4j in a language specific environment, and I have to support English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese languages so far. I figured out how to setup an automatic index, specifying the language and that appears to work well. I am now adding a feature that supports date range searching, and I'm doing it by using a custom string pattern to represent a date... SecuriDate_2015_05_04 would be today (May 4th, 2015). SecuriDate is there because when I convert formats, for now I really have no way of knowing this is a date that needs conversion, except by the content of the data.

So I am using lexical collation to provide date range support, and searching using the Lucene range function through a REST Query. When I use the English analyzer, things seem to work well. I can do range searching using a query like: [http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=\(\(DateOfBirth:\[SecuriDate_2014_11_16 TO *\]\)\)&order=score](http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=((DateOfBirth:[SecuriDate_2014_11_16 TO *]))&order=score) and it works as desired. I can change the date in the query, and I see the results as expected.

When I use the French analyzer, some queries fail, in that they return data that shouldn't be returned... not all data, just some.

That same query will return nodes that contain: "SecuriDate_2000_01_01", "SecuriDate_2011_02_04", etc.

The following query works, and just returns the node containing: "SecuriDate_2014_09_03"

[http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=\(\(DateOfBirth:\[SecuriDate_2014_01_01 TO SecuriDate_2014_12_31\]\)\)&order=score](http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=((DateOfBirth:[SecuriDate_2014_01_01 TO SecuriDate_2014_12_31]))&order=score)

This query fails returning many nodes almost all of which are before "SecuriDate_2014_09_03":

[http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=\(\(DateOfBirth:\[SecuriDate_2014_01_01 TO SecuriDate_3000_01_01\]\)\)&order=score](http://localhost:7474/db/data/index/node/node_auto_index?query=((DateOfBirth:[SecuriDate_2014_01_01 TO SecuriDate_3000_01_01]))&order=score)

I'm struggling to create a good example of this, as sometimes it seems to work as desired for a simple case.

This is using the most recent production release: Neo4j 2.2.1 and is running on Windows.

I appreciate any suggestions as to where to trouble shoot this.

Thanks,

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