
Tutorial Cassandra Install



Step 1: Pre-requisites

1. Java JDK 8. Download it here:
<https://www.oracle.com/java/technologies/downloads/archive/>
And set environment variable JAVA_HOME to the root of your JDK folder
Follow this: https://www.google.com/search?q=install+jdk+and+set+java_home
2. You need Python 2.7 (Note: Python 3.6 doesn't work anymore with Cassandra 3.11)
If you already have python, verify the version by running on terminal 'python --version'
else download and install Python 2.7: <https://www.python.org/downloads/>
and set new python folder to your PATH variable.
<https://www.google.com/search?q=change+path+variable+for+python>

Step 2: Verify Prerequisites

1. On your terminal, run 'python --version' and verify it's Python 2.7.
2. Display JAVA_HOME variable value and verify it's set to your jdk home:
 - o On Windows: `echo %JAVA_HOME%` (should be something like `C:/Program Files/java/jdk1-8`)
 - o On Mac: `echo $JAVA_HOME` (should be something like `/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk1.8.0_65.jdk/Contents/Home`)
 - o On Linux: `echo $JAVA_HOME` (should be something like `/usr/lib/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64/`)
3. Display java version. On a terminal run 'java -version'. Should be 1.8

Step 3: Download, Extract and run

1. First download last version of Cassandra: <http://cassandra.apache.org/download/>
2. Extract it in a folder. We call the path to Cassandra folder: `/path/to/cassandra/`
3. In a terminal, run:

```
cd /path/to/cassandra/  
cd bin
```

4. Run the server (in background):

```
./cassandra -f
```

Only for Windows :

- Use **PowerShell** to run `./cassandra -f`
- If an error about **Execution Policies** appears indicating that it is missing rights, execute the following command:

`Set-ExecutionPolicy -ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned -Scope CurrentUser`

(see https://docs.microsoft.com/fr-fr/powershell/module/microsoft.powershell.core/about/about_execution_policies?view=powershell-6)

5. Run a shell client, Open a new terminal and run:

```
cd /path/to/cassandra/  
cd bin  
./cqsh localhost
```

Note: You can also have client with graphical interface, i.e.: <https://www.quora.com/What-is-the-free-GUI-tool-for-Cassandra>

LAUNCHING :

Server launching : `$ /bin/cassandra -f`

```
[hydra:bin larbi$ ./cassandra -f
objc[34872]: Class JavaLaunchHelper is implemented in both /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk1.8.0_131
[.jdk/Contents/Home/bin/java (0x104d084c0) and /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk1.8.0_131.jdk/Contents
/Home/jre/lib/libinstrument.dylib (0x104da34e0). One of the two will be used. Which one is undefined.
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/Columns$Serializer.deserializeLargeSubset (Lorg/apache
/cassandra/io/util/DataInputPlus;Lorg/apache/cassandra/db/Columns;I)Lorg/apache/cassandra/db/Columns;
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/Columns$Serializer.serializeLargeSubset (Ljava/util/Co
llection;ILorg/apache/cassandra/db/Columns;ILorg/apache/cassandra/io/util/DataOutputPlus;)V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/Columns$Serializer.serializeLargeSubsetSize (Ljava/uti
l/Collection;ILorg/apache/cassandra/db/Columns;I)I
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/commitlog/AbstractCommitLogSegmentManager.advanceAlloc
atingFrom (Lorg/apache/cassandra/db/commitlog/CommitLogSegment;)V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/transform/BaseIterator.tryGetMoreContents ()Z
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/transform/StoppingTransformation.stop ()V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/db/transform/StoppingTransformation.stopInPartition ()V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/BufferedDataOutputStreamPlus.doFlush (I)V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/BufferedDataOutputStreamPlus.writeExcessSlow ()V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/BufferedDataOutputStreamPlus.writeSlow (JI)V
CompilerOracle: dontinline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/RebufferingInputStream.readPrimitiveSlowly (I)J
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/db/rows/UnfilteredSerializer.serializeRowBody (Lorg/apache/ca
ssandra/db/rows/Row;ILorg/apache/cassandra/db/SerializationHeader;Lorg/apache/cassandra/io/util/DataOutpu
tPlus;)V
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/Memory.checkBounds (JJ)V
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/io/util/SafeMemory.checkBounds (JJ)V
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/utils/AsymmetricOrdering.selectBoundary (Lorg/apache/cassandr
a/utils/AsymmetricOrdering/Op;II)I
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/utils/AsymmetricOrdering.strictnessOfLessThan (Lorg/apache/ca
ssandra/utils/AsymmetricOrdering/Op;)I
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/utils/BloomFilter.indexes (Lorg/apache/cassandra/utils/IFilte
r/FilterKey;)J
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/utils/BloomFilter.setIndexes (JJIJ)V
CompilerOracle: inline org/apache/cassandra/utils/ByteBufferUtil.compare (Ljava/nio/ByteBuffer;[B)I
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```

Client launching : `$ /bin/cqlsh`

```
[hydra:bin larbi$ ./cqlsh
Connected to Test Cluster at 127.0.0.1:9042.
[cqlsh 5.0.1 | Cassandra 3.11.4 | CQL spec 3.4.4 | Native protocol v4]
Use HELP for help.
cqlsh> █
```

To familiarize yourself with the environment try this command

`cqlsh> help`

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Documented shell commands:
=====
CAPTURE CLS          COPY DESCRIBE  EXPAND  LOGIN  SERIAL  SOURCE  UNICODE
CLEAR  CONSISTENCY  DESC  EXIT      HELP    PAGING  SHOW    TRACING

CQL help topics:
=====
AGGREGATES                CREATE_KEYSPACE                DROP_TRIGGER                TEXT
ALTER_KEYSPACE            CREATE_MATERIALIZED_VIEW      DROP_TYPE                   TIME
ALTER_MATERIALIZED_VIEW  CREATE_ROLE                    DROP_USER                   TIMESTAMP
ALTER_TABLE              CREATE_TABLE                   FUNCTIONS                   TRUNCATE
ALTER_TYPE               CREATE_TRIGGER                GRANT                       TYPES
ALTER_USER              CREATE_TYPE                    INSERT                      UPDATE
APPLY                   CREATE_USER                   INSERT_JSON                 USE
ASCII                   DATE                          INT                         UUID
BATCH                   DELETE                        JSON
BEGIN                   DROP_AGGREGATE                KEYWORDS
BLOB                    DROP_COLUMNFAMILY            LIST_PERMISSIONS
BOOLEAN                DROP_FUNCTION                 LIST_ROLES
COUNTER                DROP_INDEX                    LIST_USERS
CREATE_AGGREGATE        DROP_KEYSPACE                 PERMISSIONS
CREATE_COLUMNFAMILY     DROP_MATERIALIZED_VIEW       REVOKE
CREATE_FUNCTION         DROP_ROLE                     SELECT
CREATE_INDEX           DROP_TABLE                    SELECT_JSON

cqlsh>
```

EXAMPLE

CREATE KEYSPACE

```
cqlsh> CREATE KEYSPACE demo
... WITH replication = {'class':'SimpleStrategy', 'replication_factor': 3};
```

```
cqlsh> USE demo;
cqlsh:demo>
```

CREATE TABLE

```
cqlsh:demo> CREATE TABLE users(
... email varchar,
... bio varchar,
... birthday timestamp,
... active boolean,
... PRIMARY KEY (email)
... );
cqlsh:demo>
```

```
cqlsh:demo> CREATE TABLE tweets(email varchar PRIMARY KEY, time_posted timestamp, tweet
varchar);
cqlsh:demo>
```

INSERT DATA

```
cqlsh:demo> INSERT INTO users (email, bio, birthday, active) VALUES ('person@mail.com',
'Student',01011900, true);
cqlsh:demo>
```

QUERYING

```
SELECT * FROM users;
SELECT count(*) from users;
SELECT * FROM users LIMIT 10;
SELECT email FROM users WHERE active = true;
```

DELETE KEYSPACE

```
cqlsh:demo> DROP KEYSPACE demo;
```