# Lesson 3 Exercise 3 Clustering Column

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# 1 Lesson 3 Exercise 3: Focus on Clustering Columns

- 1.0.1 Walk through the basics of creating a table with a good Primary Key and Clustering Columns in Apache Cassandra, inserting rows of data, and doing a simple CQL query to validate the information.
- 1.0.2 Remember, replace #### with your own code.

We will use a python wrapper/ python driver called cassandra to run the Apache Cassandra queries. This library should be preinstalled but in the future to install this library you can run this command in a notebook to install locally: ! pip install cassandra-driver #### More documentation can be found here: https://datastax.github.io/python-driver/

## Import Apache Cassandra python package

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In [1]: import cassandra
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### 1.0.3 Create a connection to the database

#### 1.0.4 Create a keyspace to work in

Connect to the Keyspace. Compare this to how we had to create a new session in PostgreSQL.

- 1.0.5 Imagine we would like to start creating a new Music Library of albums.
- 1.0.6 We want to ask 1 question of our data:
- 1.0.7 1. Give me all the information from the music library about a given album

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select * from album_library WHERE album_name="Close To You"
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- 1.0.8 Here is the data:
- 1.0.9 How should we model this data? What should be our Primary Key and Partition Key?

#### 1.0.10 Insert data into the table

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In [6]: ## You can opt to change the sequence of columns to match your composite key. \
        ## If you do, make sure to match the values in the INSERT statement
        query = "INSERT INTO album_library (year, artist_name, album_name, city)"
        query = query + " VALUES (%s, %s, %s, %s)"
        try:
            session.execute(query, (1970, "The Beatles", "Let it Be", "Liverpool"))
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
        try:
            session.execute(query, (1965, "The Beatles", "Rubber Soul", "Oxford"))
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
        try:
            session.execute(query, (1964, "The Beatles", "Beatles For Sale", "London"))
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
        try:
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session.execute(query, (1966, "The Monkees", "The Monkees", "Los Angeles"))
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
        try:
            session.execute(query, (1970, "The Carpenters", "Close To You", "San Diego"))
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
1.0.11 Validate the Data Model -- Did it work?
select * from album_library WHERE album_name="Close To You"
In [7]: query = "select * from album_library WHERE album_name='Close To You'"
        try:
            rows = session.execute(query)
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
        for row in rows:
            print (row.artist_name, row.album_name, row.city, row.year)
The Carpenters Close To You San Diego 1970
1.0.12 Your output should be:
('The Carpenters', 'Close to You', 'San Diego', 1970)
1.0.13 OR
('The Carpenters', 'Close to You', 1970, 'San Diego')
1.0.14 Drop the table
In [9]: query = "drop table album_library"
        try:
            rows = session.execute(query)
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
1.0.15 Close the session and cluster connection
In [10]: session.shutdown()
         cluster.shutdown()
In [ ]:
In []:
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