

Java Driver 2.2 for Apache Cassandra Documentation

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About the Java driver

The Java driver is a modern, feature-rich and highly tunable Java client library for Apache Cassandra (1.2+) and DataStax Enterprise (3.1+) using exclusively Cassandra's binary protocol and Cassandra Query Language v3.

Use this driver in production applications to pass CQL statements from the client to a cluster and retrieve, manipulate, or remove data. Cassandra Query Language (CQL) is the primary language for communicating with the Cassandra database. Documentation for CQL is available in CQL for Cassandra 2.x. DataStax also provides DataStax DevCenter, which is a free graphical tool for creating and running CQL statements against Apache Cassandra and DataStax Enterprise. Other administrative tasks can be accomplished using OpsCenter.

What's new in 2.2?

- Ability to store a default, shareable CodecRegistry instance.
- Rename DateWithoutTime to LocalDate.
- Make ResultSet#fetchMoreResult return a ListenableFuture.
- Disable frozen checks in mapper.
- Allow user to register custom type codecs.
- Support custom type codecs in mapper.

Features in 2.1.6

- Revert of JAVA-425, which marked a node down when a query timed out, and led to NoHostAvailableExceptions under high load (probably our most requested change!) This no longer happens, and if a node is really having problems, it will be detected by other existing mechanisms (notification from another node that detected it through gossip, failed connection heartbeat).
- Upgrade of Netty to 4.0.27 and application-side coalescing of protocol frames.
- Speculative executions to preemptively retry requests when a host takes too long to reply (the clientside equivalent to Cassandra's rapid read retry).
- Query logger that allows you to trace slow or failed queries.
- Access to the paging state and ability to re-inject it into a statement.
- New pool resizing algorithm that fixes issues with variable-sized pools (core connections != max).
- Internal optimizations around connection usage.
- EC2 address translator (Previously released in version 2.1.5), connection heartbeat, and token metadata API.

Features in 2.1

The driver is compatible with all versions of Cassandra 1.2 and later.

- Cassandra 2.1 support
 - User-defined types (UDT)
 - Tuple type
- New features
 - Simple object mapping API

Architecture

The Java Driver 2.2 for Apache Cassandra works exclusively with the Cassandra Query Language version 3 (CQL3) and Cassandra's new binary protocol which was introduced in Cassandra version 1.2.

Architectural overview

The driver architecture is a layered one. At the bottom lies the driver core. This core handles everything related to the connections to a Cassandra cluster (for example, connection pool, discovering new nodes, etc.) and exposes a simple, relatively low-level API on top of which a higher level layer can be built. A Mapping and a JDBC module will be added on top of that in upcoming versions of the driver.

The driver relies on Netty to provide non-blocking I/O with Cassandra for providing a fully asynchronous architecture. Multiple queries can be submitted to the driver which then will dispatch the responses to the appropriate client threads.

The driver has the following features:

- Asynchronous: the driver uses the new CQL binary protocol asynchronous capabilities. Only a relatively low number of connections per nodes needs to be maintained open to achieve good performance.
- Nodes discovery: the driver automatically discovers and uses all nodes of the Cassandra cluster, including newly bootstrapped ones.
- Configurable load balancing: the driver allows for custom routing and load balancing of queries to
 Cassandra nodes. Out of the box, round robin is provided with optional data-center awareness (only
 nodes from the local data-center are queried (and have connections maintained to)) and optional token
 awareness (that is, the ability to prefer a replica for the query as coordinator).
- Transparent failover: if Cassandra nodes fail or become unreachable, the driver automatically and transparently tries other nodes and schedules reconnection to the dead nodes in the background.
- Cassandra trace handling: tracing can be set on a per-query basis and the driver provides a convenient API to retrieve the trace.
- Convenient schema access: the driver exposes a Cassandra schema in a usable way.
- Configurable retry policy: a retry policy can be set to define a precise behavior to adopt on query
 execution exceptions (for example, timeouts, unavailability). This avoids polluting client code with retryrelated code.
- Tunability: the default behavior of the driver can be changed or fine tuned by using tuning policies and connection options.

Queries can be executed synchronously or asynchronously, prepared statements are supported, and a query builder auxiliary class can be used to build queries dynamically.

The driver and its dependencies

Cassandra binary protocol

The driver uses the binary protocol that was introduced in Cassandra 1.2. It only works with a version of Cassandra greater than or equal to 1.2. Furthermore, the binary protocol server is not started with the default configuration file in Cassandra 1.2. You must edit the cassandra.yaml file for each node:

start_native_transport: true

Then restart the node.

Cassandra compatibility

The 2.0 version of the driver handles a single version of the Cassandra native protocol for the sake of simplicity. Cassandra does the multiple version handling. This makes it possible to do a rolling upgrade of a Cassandra cluster from 1.2 to 2.0 and then to upgrade the drivers in the application layer from 1.0 to 2.0. Because the application code needs to be changed anyway to leverage the new features of Cassandra 2.0, this small constraint appear to be fair.

	Java driver 1.0.x	Java driver 2.0.x
Cassandra 1.2.x	Compatible	Compatible
Cassandra 2.0.x	Compatible for Cassandra 1.0 API and commands	Compatible

Maven dependencies

The latest release of the driver is available on Maven Central. You can install it in your application using the following Maven dependency:

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>com.datastax.cassandra</groupId>
    <artifactId>cassandra-driver-core</artifactId>
    <version>2.2.0</version>
</dependency>
```

You ought to build your project using the Mojo Versions plug-in. Add the **versions:display-dependency-updates** setting to your POM file, and it lets you know when the driver you are using is out of date during the build process.

Writing your first client

Connecting to a Cassandra cluster

Prerequisites

This tutorial assumes you have the following software installed, configured, and that you have familiarized yourself with them:

```
Apache Cassandra
Eclipse IDE
Maven 2 Eclipse plug-in
```

While Eclipse and Maven are not required to use the Java driver to develop Cassandra client applications, they do make things easier. You can use Maven from the command-line, but if you wish to use a different build tool (such as Ant) to run the sample code, you will have to set up your environment accordingly.

See for more information on setting up your programming environment to do this.

Using a Cluster object, the client connects to a node in your cluster and then retrieves metadata about the cluster and prints it out.

Procedure

- 1. In the Eclipse IDE, create a simple Maven project. Use the following data:
 - groupld: com.example.cassandra
 - artifactId: simple-client
- 2. Right-click on the simple-client node in the **Project Viewer** and select **Maven > Add Dependency**.
 - a) Enter datastax in the search text field.
 - You should see several DataStax libraries listed in the Search Results list.
 - b) Expand the com.datastax.cassandra cassandra-driver-core library and select the version you want.
- 3. Create a new Java class, com.example.cassandra.SimpleClient.
 - a) Add an instance field, cluster, to hold a Cluster reference.

```
private Cluster cluster;
```

b) Add an instance method, connect, to your new class.

```
public void connect(String node) {}
```

The connect method:

- adds a contact point (node IP address) using the Cluster.Build auxiliary class
- builds a cluster instance
- retrieves metadata from the cluster
- prints out:
 - · the name of the cluster
 - · the datacenter, host name or IP address, and rack for each of the nodes in the cluster

c) Add an instance method, close, to shut down the cluster instance once you are finished with it.

```
public void close() {
  cluster.close();
}
```

d) In the class main method instantiate a SimpleClient object, call connect on it, and close it.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   SimpleClient client = new SimpleClient();
   client.connect("127.0.0.1");
   client.close();
}
```

4. Right-click in the SimpleClient class editor pane and select **Run As > 1 Java Application** to run the program.

Code listing

The complete code listing illustrates:

- connecting to a cluster
- retrieving metadata and printing it out
- · closing the connection to the cluster

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Cluster;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Host;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Metadata;
public class SimpleClient {
  private Cluster cluster;
  public void connect(String node) {
      cluster = Cluster.builder()
            .addContactPoint(node)
            .build();
      Metadata metadata = cluster.getMetadata();
      System.out.printf("Connected to cluster: s\n",
            metadata.getClusterName());
      for ( Host host : metadata.getAllHosts() ) {
         System.out.printf("Datatacenter: %s; Host: %s; Rack: %s\n",
               host.getDatacenter(), host.getAddress(), host.getRack());
      }
   }
  public void close() {
      cluster.close();
  public static void main(String[] args) {
      SimpleClient client = new SimpleClient();
      client.connect("127.0.0.1");
      client.close();
```

When run the client program prints out this metadata on the cluster's constituent nodes in the console pane:

```
Connected to cluster: xerxes

Datatacenter: datacenter1; Host: /127.0.0.1; Rack: rack1

Datatacenter: datacenter1; Host: /127.0.0.2; Rack: rack1

Datatacenter: datacenter1; Host: /127.0.0.3; Rack: rack1
```

Related reference

Connection requirements on page 22

Using a session to execute CQL statements

Prerequisites

This tutorial uses a CQL3 schema which is described in a post on the DataStax developer blog. Reading that post, could help with some of the new CQL3 concepts used here.

Getting metadata for the cluster is good, but you also want to be able to read and write data to the cluster. The Java driver lets you execute CQL statements using a session instance that you retrieve from the Cluster object. You will add code to your client for:

- creating tables
- · inserting data into those tables
- querying the tables
- · printing the results

Procedure

- 1. Modify your SimpleClient class.
 - a) Add a Session instance field.

```
private Session session;
```

b) Declare and implement a getter for the new session field.

```
public Session getSession() {
   return this.session;
}
```

Get a session from your cluster and store the reference to it.
 Add the following line to the end of the connect method:

```
session = cluster.connect();
```

You can execute queries by calling the execute method on your session object. The session maintains multiple connections to the cluster nodes, provides policies to choose which node to use for each query (round-robin on all nodes of the cluster by default), and handles retries for failed queries when it makes sense.

Session instances are thread-safe and usually a single instance is all you need per application. However, a given session can only be set to one keyspace at a time, so one instance per keyspace is necessary. Your application typically only needs a single cluster object, unless you're dealing with multiple physical clusters.

2. Add an instance method, createSchema, to the SimpleClient class implementation.

```
public void createSchema() { }
```

- 3. Add the code to create a new schema.
 - a) Execute a statement that creates a new keyspace.

Add to the createSchema method:

```
session.execute("CREATE KEYSPACE IF NOT EXISTS simplex WITH replication
" +
"= {'class':'SimpleStrategy', 'replication_factor':3};");
```

In this example, you create a new keyspace, simplex.

b) Execute statements to create two new tables, songs and playlists.

Add to the createSchema method:

```
session.execute(
      "CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS simplex.songs (" +
            "id uuid PRIMARY KEY," +
            "title text," +
            "album text," +
            "artist text," +
            "tags set<text>," +
            "data blob" +
            ");");
session.execute(
      "CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS simplex.playlists (" +
            "id uuid," +
            "title text," +
            "album text, " +
            "artist text," +
            "song id uuid," +
            "PRIMARY KEY (id, title, album, artist)" +
            ");");
```

4. Add an instance method, loadData, to the SimpleCient class implementation.

```
public void loadData() { }
```

5. Add the code to insert data into the new schema.

```
session.execute(
      "INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist, tags) " +
      "VALUES (" +
          "756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50," +
          "'La Petite Tonkinoise'," +
          "'Bye Bye Blackbird'," +
          "'Joséphine Baker'," +
          "{'jazz', '2013'})" +
          ";");
session.execute(
      "INSERT INTO simplex.playlists (id, song id, title, album, artist) "
+
      "VALUES (" +
          "2cc9ccb7-6221-4ccb-8387-f22b6a1b354d," +
          "756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50," +
          "'La Petite Tonkinoise'," +
          "'Bye Bye Blackbird'," +
          "'Joséphine Baker'" +
```

- **6.** Add an instance method, querySchema, that executes a SELECT statement on the tables and then prints out the results.
 - a) Add code to execute the query.

Query the playlists table for one of the two records.

The execute method returns a ResultSet that holds rows returned by the SELECT statement.

b) Add code to iterate over the rows and print them out.

7. In the class main method, add a call to the new createSchema, loadData, and querySchema methods.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   SimpleClient client = new SimpleClient();
   client.connect("127.0.0.1");
   client.createSchema();
   client.loadData();
   client.querySchema();
   client.close();
}
```

8. Add a call to close the session object in the close method.

```
public void close() {
    session.close();
    cluster.close();
}
```

Code listing

The complete code listing illustrates:

- creating a keyspace and tables
- · inserting data into tables
- querying tables for data

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Cluster;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Host;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Metadata;
import com.datastax.driver.core.ResultSet;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Row;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Session;
public class SimpleClient {
   private Cluster cluster;
   private Session session;
   public Session getSession() {
     return this.session;
   public void connect(String node) {
      cluster = Cluster.builder()
            .addContactPoint(node)
            .build();
```

```
Metadata metadata = cluster.getMetadata();
     System.out.printf("Connected to cluster: %s\n",
           metadata.getClusterName());
     for ( Host host : metadata.getAllHosts() ) {
         System.out.printf("Datatacenter: %s; Host: %s; Rack: %s\n",
              host.getDatacenter(), host.getAddress(), host.getRack());
     session = cluster.connect();
   }
  public void createSchema() {
     session.execute("CREATE KEYSPACE IF NOT EXISTS simplex WITH
 replication " +
           "= {'class':'SimpleStrategy', 'replication_factor':3};");
     session.execute(
            "CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS simplex.songs (" +
                  "id uuid PRIMARY KEY," +
                  "title text," +
                  "album text," +
                  "artist text," +
                  "tags set<text>," +
                  "data blob" +
                  ");");
     session.execute(
            "CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS simplex.playlists (" +
                  "id uuid," +
                  "title text," +
                  "album text, " +
                  "artist text," +
                  "song_id uuid," +
                  "PRIMARY KEY (id, title, album, artist)" +
                  ");");
   }
  public void loadData() {
     session.execute(
            "INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist, tags) " +
            "VALUES (" +
                "756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50," +
                "'La Petite Tonkinoise'," +
                "'Bye Bye Blackbird'," +
                "'Joséphine Baker'," +
                "{'jazz', '2013'})" +
                ";");
     session.execute(
            "INSERT INTO simplex.playlists (id, song id, title, album,
artist) " +
            "VALUES (" +
                "2cc9ccb7-6221-4ccb-8387-f22b6a1b354d," +
                "756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50," +
                "'La Petite Tonkinoise'," +
                "'Bye Bye Blackbird'," +
                "'Joséphine Baker'" +
                ");");
  public void querySchema() {
     ResultSet results = session.execute("SELECT * FROM simplex.playlists "
             "WHERE id = 2cc9ccb7-6221-4ccb-8387-f22b6a1b354d;");
     System.out.println(String.format("%-30s\t%-20s\t%-20s\n%s", "title",
 "album", "artist",
            11 - -
+----"));
```

```
for (Row row : results) {
        System.out.println(String.format("%-30s\t%-20s\t%-20s",
row.getString("title"),
       row.getString("album"), row.getString("artist")));
     System.out.println();
  }
 public void close() {
    session.close();
    cluster.close();
 public static void main(String[] args) {
     SimpleClient client = new SimpleClient();
     client.connect("127.0.0.1");
    client.createSchema();
    client.loadData();
    client.querySchema();
    client.close();
  }
```

Using bound statements

In the previous tutorial, you added a loadData method which creates a new statement for each INSERT, but you may also use prepared statements and bind new values to the columns each time before execution. Doing this increases performance, especially for repeated queries. You add code to your client for:

- creating a prepared statement
- · creating a bound statement from the prepared statement and binding values to its variables
- executing the bound statement to insert data

Procedure

1. Override the loadData method and implement it.

```
public void loadData() { }
```

2. Add code to prepare an INSERT statement.

You get a prepared statement by calling the prepare method on your session.

```
PreparedStatement statement = getSession().prepare(
    "INSERT INTO simplex.songs " +
    "(id, title, album, artist, tags) " +
    "VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?, ?);");
```

3. Add code to bind values to the prepared statement's variables and execute it.

You create a bound statement by calling its constructor and passing in the prepared statement. Use the bind method to bind values and execute the bound statement on the your session..

```
BoundStatement boundStatement = new BoundStatement(statement);
Set<String> tags = new HashSet<String>();
```

Note that you cannot pass in string representations of UUIDs or sets as you did in the loadData method.

- **4.** Add code for the other two insertions into the simplex.songs table.
- 5. Add code to create a new bound statement for inserting data into the simplex.playlists table.

```
statement = getSession().prepare(
    "INSERT INTO simplex.playlists " +
    "(id, song_id, title, album, artist) " +
    "VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?, ?);");
boundStatement = new BoundStatement(statement);
getSession().execute(boundStatement.bind(
    UUID.fromString("2cc9ccb7-6221-4ccb-8387-f22b6a1b354d"),
    UUID.fromString("756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50"),
    "La Petite Tonkinoise",
    "Bye Bye Blackbird",
    "Joséphine Baker"));
```

6. Add a call in the class main method to loadData.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   BoundStatementsClient client = new BoundStatementsClient();
   client.connect("127.0.0.1");
   client.createSchema();
   client.loadData();
   client.querySchema();
   client.updateSchema();
   client.dropSchema();
   client.close();
}
```

Java driver reference

Four simple rules for coding with the driver

When writing code that uses the driver, there are four simple rules that you should follow that will also make your code efficient:

- Use one cluster instance per (physical) cluster (per application lifetime)
- Use at most one session instance per keyspace, or use a single Session and explicitly specify the keyspace in your queries
- If you execute a statement more than once, consider using a prepared statement
- You can reduce the number of network roundtrips and also have atomic operations by using batches

Cluster

A Cluster instance allows to configure different important aspects of the way connections and queries will be handled. At this level you can configure everything from contact points (address of the nodes to be contacted initially before the driver performs node discovery), the request routing policy, retry and reconnection policies, and so forth. Generally such settings are set once at the application level.

```
Cluster cluster = Cluster.builder()
    .addContactPoint("10.1.1.3", "10.1.1.4", "10.1.1.5")
    .withLoadBalancingPolicy(new DCAwareRoundRobinPolicy("US_EAST"))
    .build();
cluster.getConfiguration()
    .getProtocolOptions()
    .setCompression(ProtocolOptions.Compression.LZ4);
```

Session

While the session instance is centered around query execution, the Session it also manages the pernode connection pools. The session instance is a long-lived object, and it should not be used in a requestresponse, short-lived fashion. The code should share the same cluster and session instances across your application.

Prepared statements

Using prepared statements provides multiple benefits. A prepared statement is parsed and prepared on the Cassandra nodes and is ready for future execution. When binding parameters, only these (and the query id) are sent over the wire. These performance gains add up when using the same queries (with different parameters) repeatedly.

Batch operations

The BATCH statement combines multiple data modification statements (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE) into a single logical operation which is sent to the server in a single request. Also batching together multiple operations ensures these are executed in an atomic way: either all succeed or none.

To make the best use of BATCH, read about atomic batches in Cassandra 1.2 and static columns and batching of conditional updates.

For more information see this blog post on the four simple rules.

Asynchronous I/O

You can execute statements on a session objects in two different ways. Calling execute blocks the calling thread until the statement finishes executing, but a session also allows for asynchronous and non-blocking I/O by calling the executeAsync method.

Modify the functionality of the SimpleClient class by extending it and execute queries asynchronously on a cluster.

Procedure

1. Add a new class, Asynchronous Example, to your simple-cassandra-client project. It should extend the SimpleClient class.

```
package com.example.cassandra;
```

```
public class AsynchronousExample extends SimpleClient {
}
```

- 2. Add an instance method, getRows, and implement it.
 - a) Implement the getRows method so it returns a ResultSetFuture object.

```
public ResultSetFuture getRows() {}
```

The ResultSetFuture class implements the java.util.concurrent.Future<V> interface. Objects which implement this interface allow for non-blocking computation. The calling code may wait for the completion of the computation or to check if it is done.

b) Using the QueryBuilder class, build a SELECT query that returns all the rows for the song table for all columns.

```
Statement statement = QueryBuilder.select().all().from("simplex",
    "songs");
```

c) Execute the query asynchronously and return the ResultSetFuture object.

```
return getSession().executeAsync(query);
```

3. Add a class method, main, to your class implementation and add calls to create the schema, load the data, and then query it using the getRows method.

Of course, in our implementation, the call to <code>getUninterruptibly</code> blocks until the result set future has completed execution of the statement on the session object. Functionally it is no different from executing the <code>SELECT</code> query synchronously.

Asynchronous Example code listing

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Query;
import com.datastax.driver.core.ResultSetFuture;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Row;
import com.datastax.driver.core.querybuilder.QueryBuilder;

public class AsynchronousExample extends SimpleClient {
   public AsynchronousExample() {
   }

   public ResultSetFuture getRows() {
```

```
Query query = QueryBuilder.select().all().from("simplex", "songs");
     return getSession().executeAsync(query);
  public static void main(String[] args) {
     AsynchronousExample client = new AsynchronousExample();
      client.connect("127.0.0.1");
      client.createSchema();
      client.loadData();
     ResultSetFuture results = client.getRows();
      for (Row row : results.getUninterruptibly()) {
         System.out.printf( "%s: %s / %s\n",
               row.getString("artist"),
               row.getString("title"),
               row.getString("album") );
      }
      client.dropSchema("simplex");
     client.close();
   }
}
```

Automatic failover

If a Cassandra node fails or becomes unreachable, the Java driver automatically and transparently tries other nodes in the cluster and schedules reconnections to the dead nodes in the background.

Description

How the driver handles failover is determined by which retry and reconnection policies are used when building a cluster object.

Examples

This code illustrates building a cluster instance with a retry policy which sometimes retries with a lower consistency level than the one specified for the query.

```
public RollYourOwnCluster() {
   Cluster cluster = Cluster.builder()
        .addContactPoints("127.0.0.1", "127.0.0.2")
        .withRetryPolicy(DowngradingConsistencyRetryPolicy.INSTANCE)
        .withReconnectionPolicy(new ConstantReconnectionPolicy(100L))
        .build();
   session = cluster.connect();
}
```

BATCH statements

Because the new data model introduced with CQL (version 3) breaks wide rows into several CQL rows, it's common for applications to require to batch multiple INSERT statements. Naturally, CQL comes with a BEGIN BATCH ... APPLY BATCH statement that allows you to group together several INSERT statements, so that you can build a string of such a batch request and execute it.

```
public class BatchClient extends SimpleClient {
```

```
public void loadData() {
       getSession().execute(
               "BEGIN BATCH USING TIMESTAMP " +
                  INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                       UUID.randomUUID() +
                       ", 'Poulaillers'' Song', 'Jamais content', 'Alain
Souchon'); " +
                   INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                       UUID.randomUUID() +
                       ", 'Bonnie and Clyde', 'Bonnie and Clyde', 'Serge
Gainsbourg'); " +
                   INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                       UUID.randomUUID() +
                       ", 'Lighthouse Keeper', 'A Clockwork Orange', 'Erika
Eigen'); " +
               "APPLY BATCH"
               );
```

Batching prepared statements

Prepared statements can be batched together as well as simple statements. Prepared statements are useful for queries that are frequently executed in an application with different values, because they reduce the network traffic and the overall processing time on both clients and servers by making it possible to send only the values along with the identifier of the prepared statement to the server.

```
public class BatchClient extends SimpleClient {
   public void loadData() {
        PreparedStatement insertPreparedStatement = getSession().prepare(
               "BEGIN BATCH USING TIMESTAMP " + timestamp +
                    INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist) " +
                        "VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?); " +
                    INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist) " +
                        "VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?); " +
                    INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist) " +
                        "VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?); " +
                "APPLY BATCH"
             );
        getSession().execute(
                insertPreparedStatement.bind(
                        UUID.randomUUID(), "Seaside Rendezvous", "A Night at
 the Opera", "Queen",
                        UUID.randomUUID(), "Entre Nous", "Permanent Waves",
 "Rush",
                        UUID.randomUUID(), "Frank Sinatra", "Fashion
Nugget", "Cake"
                        ));
```

Note: You cannot refer to bind variables in batched statements by name, but by position.

This does not work for all cases where you wish to use a batched prepared statement, because you need to know the number of statements in the batch up front. Since version 2.0 of the driver, you can build batched statements using individual prepared (or simple) statements and adding them individually.

```
public class BatchClient extends SimpleClient {
    public void loadData() {
        PreparedStatement insertSongPreparedStatement =
 getSession().prepare(
                "INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist) VALUES
 (?, ?, ?, ?);");
        batch.add(insertSongPreparedStatement.bind(
                UUID.randomUUID(), "Die Mösch", "In Gold", "Willi
 Ostermann"));
        batch.add(insertSongPreparedStatement.bind(
                UUID.randomUUID(), "Memo From Turner", "Performance", "Mick
 Jagger"));
        batch.add(insertSongPreparedStatement.bind(
                UUID.randomUUID(), "La Petite Tonkinoise", "Bye Bye
 Blackbird", "Joséphine Baker"));
        getSession().execute(batch);
```

Timestamps

Due to how Cassandra stores data, it is possible to have multiple results for a column in a row, and timestamps are used to determine which is the most current one. These timestamps are generated by default by the server or can be specified on a statement or on a batch programmatically.

```
public class BatchClient extends SimpleClient {
   public void loadData() {
       long timestamp = new Date().getTime();
       getSession().execute(
                "BEGIN BATCH USING TIMESTAMP " + timestamp +
                   INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                        UUID.randomUUID() +
                        ", 'Poulaillers'' Song', 'Jamais content', 'Alain
 Souchon'); " +
                    INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                        UUID.randomUUID() +
                        ", 'Bonnie and Clyde', 'Bonnie and Clyde', 'Serge
Gainsbourg'); " +
                    INSERT INTO simplex.songs (id, title, album, artist)
VALUES (" +
                        UUID.randomUUID() +
                        ", 'Lighthouse Keeper', 'A Clockwork Orange', 'Erika
Eigen'); " +
                "APPLY BATCH"
                );
```

Cluster configuration

You can modify the tuning policies and connection options for a cluster as you build it. The configuration of a cluster cannot be changed after it has been built. There are some miscellaneous properties (such as whether metrics are enabled, contact points, and which authentication information provider to use when connecting to a Cassandra cluster).

Tuning policies

Related concepts

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Load balancing policy

Description

The load balancing policy interface consists of three methods:

- HostDistance distance (Host host): determines the distance to the specified host. The values are HostDistance.IGNORED, LOCAL, and REMOTE.
- void init(Cluster cluster, Collection<Host> hosts): initializes the policy. The driver calls this method only once and before any other method calls are made.
- Iterator<Host> newQueryPlan(): returns the hosts to use for a query. Each new query calls this method.

The policy also implements the Host.StateListener interface which is for tracking node events (that is add, down, remove, and up).

By default, the driver uses a round robin load balancing policy when building a cluster object. There is also a token-aware policy which allows the ability to prefer the replica for a query as coordinator. The driver includes these three policy classes:

- DCAwareRoundRobinPolicy
- RoundRobinPolicy
- TokenAwarePolicy

Reconnection policy

Description

The reconnection policy consists of one method:

• ReconnectionPolicy.ReconnectionSchedule newSchedule(): creates a new schedule to use in reconnection attempts.

By default, the driver uses an exponential reconnection policy. The driver includes these two policy classes:

- ConstantReconnectionPolicy
- ExponentialReconnectionPolicy

Retry policy

Description

A client may send requests to any node in a cluster whether or not it is a replica of the data being queried. This node is placed into the coordinator role temporarily. Which node is the coordinator is determined by the load balancing policy for the cluster. The coordinator is responsible for routing the request to the appropriate replicas. If a coordinator fails during a request, the driver connects to a different node and retries the request. If the coordinator knows before a request that a replica is down, it can throw an UnavailableException, but if the replica fails after the request is made, it throws a TimeoutException. Of course, this all depends on the consistency level set for the query before executing it.

A retry policy centralizes the handling of query retries, minimizing the need for catching and handling of exceptions in your business code.

The retry policy interface consists of three methods:

- RetryPolicy.RetryDecision onReadTimeout(Statement statement, ConsistencyLevel cl, int requiredResponses, int receivedResponses, boolean dataRetrieved, int nbRetry)
- RetryPolicy.RetryDecision onUnavailable(Statement statement, ConsistencyLevel cl, int requiredReplica, int aliveReplica, int nbRetry)
- RetryPolicy.RetryDecision onWriteTimeout(Statement statement, ConsistencyLevel cl, WriteType writeType, int requiredAcks, int receivedAcks, int nbRetry)

By default, the driver uses a default retry policy. The driver includes these four policy classes:

- DefaultRetryPolicy
- DowngradingConsistencyRetryPolicy
- FallthroughRetryPolicy
- LoggingRetryPolicy

Connection options

Related concepts

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Protocol options

Description

Table: Protocol options

Option	Description	Default
port	The port to connect to a Cassandra node on.	9042
compression	What kind of compression to use when sending data to a node: either no compression or snappy. Snappy compression is optimized for high speeds and reasonable compression.	ProtocolOptions.Compression.NON

Pooling options

Description

The driver only needs to maintain a relatively small number of connections to each Cassandra host. These options allow you to control how many connections are kept exactly. The defaults should be fine for most applications.

Table: Connection pooling options

Option	Description	Default value
coreConnectionsPerHost		2 for HostDistance.LOCAL, 1 for HostDistance.REMOTE

Option	Description	Default value
maxConnectionPerHost	The maximum number of connections per host.	8 for HostDistance.LOCAL, 2 for HostDistance.REMOTE
maxSimultaneousRequestsPerCor	rictuations introductions requests on all connections to an host after which more connections are created.	128
minSimultaneousRequestsPerCon	requests on a connection below which connections in excess are reclaimed.	25

Socket options

Description

All but one of these socket options comes from the Java runtime library's SocketOptions class. The connectTimeoutMillis option though is from Netty's ChannelConfig class.

Table: Pooling options

Option	Corresponds to	Description
connectTimeoutMillis	org.jboss.netty.channel.ChannelCo "connectTineoutMillis"	nifige connect timeout in milliseconds for the underlying Netty channel.
keepAlive	java.net.SocketOptions.SO_KEEP/	ALIVE
receiveBufferSize	java.net.SocketOptions.SO_RCVB	UF hint on the size of the buffer used to receive data.
reuseAddress	java.net.SocketOptions.SO_REUS	EANDERer to allow the same port to be bound to multiple times.
sendBufferSize	java.net.SocketOptions.SO_SNDB	UF hint on the size of the buffer used to send data.
soLinger	java.net.SocketOptions.SO_LINGE	RVhen specified, disables the immediate return from a call to close() on a TCP socket.
tcpNoDelay	java.net.SocketOptions.TCPNODE	LDAi¥ables Nagle's algorithm on the underlying socket.

Connection requirements

In order to ensure that the driver can connect to the Cassandra or DSE cluster, please check the following requirements.

- the cluster is running Apache Cassandra 1.2+ or DSE 3.2+
- you have configured the following in the cassandra.yaml you have:

```
start_native_transport : true
rpc_address : IP address or hostname reachable from the client
```

• machines in the cluster can accept connections on port 9042

Note: The client port can be configured using the native_transport_port in cassandra.yaml.

CQL data types to Java types

Description

When retrieving the value of a column from a Row object, you use a getter based on the type of the column.

Table: Java classes to CQL data types

CQL3 data type	Java type
ascii	java.lang.String
bigint	long
blob	java.nio.ByteBuffer
boolean	boolean
counter	long
decimal	java.math.BigDecimal
double	double
float	float
inet	java.net.InetAddress
int	int
list	java.util.List <t></t>
map	java.util.Map <k, v=""></k,>
set	java.util.Set <t></t>
text	java.lang.String
timestamp	java.util.Date
timeuuid	java.util.UUID
tuple	com.datastax.driver.core.TupleType
uuid	java.util.UUID
varchar	java.lang.String
varint	java.math.BigInteger

CQL statements

You can configure a Statement by.

- · enabling or disabling tracing
- setting

- · the consistency level
- · retry policy
- · fetch size
- routing key

Examples

You set these options on the statement object before execution. The following example shows how to set the consistency level and the fetch size on two statements before they are executed.

```
public void querySchema() {
   // setting the consistency level on a statement
   Statement statement = new SimpleStatement("SELECT * FROM simplex.songs "
      "WHERE id = 2cc9ccb7-6221-4ccb-8387-f22b6a1b354d;");
   System.out.printf( "Default consistency level = %s\n",
 statement.getConsistencyLevel() );
   statement.setConsistencyLevel(ConsistencyLevel.ONE);
   System.out.printf( "New consistency level = %s\n",
 statement.getConsistencyLevel() );
   for ( Row row : getSession().execute(statement) ) {
      System.out.printf( "%s %s\n", row.getString("artist"),
 row.getInt("title"));
   // setting the fetch size on a statement
   // the following SELECT statement returns over 5K results
   statement = new SimpleStatement("SELECT * FROM lexicon.concordance;");
   statement.setFetchSize(100);
   results = getSession().execute(statement);
   for ( Row row : results ) {
      System.out.printf( "%s: %d\n", row.getString("word"),
 row.getInt("occurrences"));
```

Building dynamic queries programmatically with the QueryBuilder API

Overview of the QueryBuilder API

The <code>QueryBuilder</code> API allows you to create dynamic CQL queries programmatically. The <code>QueryBuilder</code> API encapsulates the syntax of CQL queries, providing classes and methods to construct and execute queries without having to write CQL. This is more secure, as the queries are not subject to injection attacks.

The QueryBuilder API classes are located in the com.datastax.driver.core.querybuilder package.

Creating a query using the QueryBuilder API

To create a query, create a com.datastax.driver.core.Statement object by calling one of the com.datastax.driver.core.querybuilder.QueryBuilder methods. These methods return subclasses of Statement.

Table: QueryBuilder methods

Method	Description
QueryBuilder.select	Equivalent to the CQL SELECT statement. Returns a Select object.
QueryBuilder.insert	Equivalent to the CQL INSERT statement. Returns an Insert object.
QueryBuilder.update	Equivalent to the CQL UPDATE statement. Returns an Update object.
QueryBuilder.delete	Equivalent to the CQL DELETE statement. Returns a Delete object.

The Statement object can then be configured with the conditions of the query.

For example, the following line returns a Select object for a particular keyspace and table.

```
Select select = QueryBuilder.select().from("keyspace_name", "table_name");
```

The statement can then be executed similar to a hand-coded CQL query string using a Session instance's execute method, with the results returned as a ResultSet object.

```
Cluster cluster = Cluster.builder()
   .addContactPoint("localhost")
   .build();
Session session = cluster.connect();
Select select = QueryBuilder.select()
   .all()
   .from("music", "playlist");
ResultSet results = session.execute(select);
```

Setting query options on Statement instances

Statement objects represent a particular query. The Statement class has methods that allow you to set query options such as the consistency level, tracing options, fetch size, or the retry policy of the query.

To enable tracing on the query, call Statement.enableTracing(). Statement.disableTracing() disables tracing of the query.

The consistency level of the query can be set by calling Statement.setConsistencyLevel() and setting it to one of the enums of com.datastax.driver.core.ConsistencyLevel, which correspond to the consistency levels of Cassandra.

```
Statement statement = ...
statement.setConsistencyLevel(ConsistencyLevel.LOCAL_QUORUM);
```

The serial consistency level of the query, set with <code>Statement.setSerialConsistencyLevel()</code>, is similar to the consistency level, but only used in queries that have conditional updates. That is, it is only used in queries that have the equivalent of the <code>IF</code> condition in CQL.

The fetch size, or number of rows returned simultaneously by a select query, can be controlled by calling Select.setFetchSize() and passing in the number of rows.

```
Select statement = ...
statement.setFetchSize(100);
```

Setting the fetch size is typically needed when queries return extremely large numbers of rows. Setting the fetch size to small values is discouraged, as it results in poor performance.

To disable paging of the results, set the fetch size to Integer.MAX_VALUE. If the fetch size is set to a value less than or equal to 0, the default fetch size will be used.

The retry policy defines the default behavior of queries when they encounter a TimeoutException or UnavailableException. If not explicitly set, the retry policy is set to the default retry policy for the target cluster, returned by calling Policies.getRetryPolicy() in the cluster configuration. To explicitly set the retry policy, call Statement.setRetryPolicy() and passing in one of the classes that implement com.datastax.driver.core.policies.RetryPolicy.

Table: Retry policies

Retry policy	Description
DefaultRetryPolicy	The query will be retried for read requests if enough replica nodes replied but no data was retrieved, or on write requests if there is a timeout while writing the distributed log used by batch statements.
DowngradingConsistencyRetryPolicy	The query may be retried with a lower consistency level than the one initially requested. This policy will retry queries in the same circumstances as DefaultRetryPolicy, as well as a few other cases. For a read request, if the number of replica nodes is more than one but lower than the number required by the consistency level, the query is rerun with the lower consistency level. For write requests, if the write type is WriteType.UNLOGGED_BATCH and at least one replica node acknowledged the write, the query is retried at the lower consistency level. If the query fails due to an UnavailableException, and at least one replica node is available, the query is retried at the lower consistency level.
FallthroughRetryPolicy	This policy does not retry queries, but allows the client business logic to implement retries.
LoggingRetryPolicy	This policy allows you to wrap other retry policies in order to log the decision of the policy.

Query builder examples

Select all example

Here is an example that creates a select all statement from the specified schema and returns all the rows.

```
public List<Row> getRows(String keyspace, String table) {
   Statement statement = QueryBuilder
          .select()
          .all()
          .from(keyspace, table);
   return getSession()
          .execute(statement)
          .all();
}
```

Select particular rows example

This example selects all rows that match some conditions.

```
Select select = QueryBuilder.select()
  .all()
  .distinct()
  .from("addressbook", "contact")
  .where(eq("type", "Friend"))
  .and(eq("city", "San Francisco"));
ResultSet results = session.execute(select);
```

Insert example

This example demonstrates how to insert data into a row.

```
Insert insert = QueryBuilder
   .insertInto("addressbook", "contact")
   .value("firstName", "Dwayne")
   .value("lastName", "Garcia")
   .value("email", "dwayne@example.com";
ResultSet results = session.execute(insert);
```

Update example

This example demonstrates how to update the data in a particular row.

```
Update update = QueryBuilder.update("addressbook", "contact")
   .with(set("email", "dwayne.garcia@example.com")
   .where(eq("username", "dgarcia"));
ResultSet results = session.execute(update);
```

Delete example

This example demonstrates how to delete a particular row.

```
Delete delete = QueryBuilder.delete()
   .from("addresbook", "contact")
   .where(eq("username", "dgarcia"));
```

Debugging

You have several options to help in debugging your application.

On the client side, you can:

- use the Eclipse debugger
- monitor different metrics
 - · some by default
 - · others by implementing your own metric objects
- log using a SLF4J-compliant logging library

On the server side, you can:

- enable tracing
- · adjusting the log4j configuration for finer logging granularity

If you are using DataStax Enterprise, you can store the log4j messages into a Cassandra cluster.

Exceptions

Overview

Many of the exceptions for the Java driver are runtime exceptions, meaning that you do not have to wrap your driver-specific code in try/catch blocks or declared thrown exceptions as part of your method signatures.

Example

The code in this listing illustrates catching the various exceptions thrown by a call to execute on a session object.

```
public void guerySchema() {
     Statement statement = new SimpleStatement(
       "INSERT INTO simplex.songs " +
         "(id, title, album, artist) " +
         "VALUES (da7c6910-a6a4-11e2-96a9-4db56cdc5fe7," +
         "'Golden Brown', 'La Folie', 'The Stranglers'" +
       ");");
     try {
        getSession().execute(statement);
     } catch (NoHostAvailableException e) {
        System.out.printf("No host in the %s cluster can be contacted to
execute the query.\n",
          getSession().getCluster());
     } catch (QueryExecutionException e) {
        System.out.println("An exception was thrown by Cassandra because it
cannot " +
          "successfully execute the query with the specified consistency
level.");
    } catch (QueryValidationException e) {
        System.out.printf("The query %s \nis not valid, for example,
incorrect syntax.\n",
          statement.getQueryString());
     } catch (IllegalStateException e) {
        System.out.println("The BoundStatement is not ready.");
  }
```

Related tasks

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Related reference

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Enabling debug-level logging on page 35

Monitoring

Description

The following links are for your reference:

Metrics library Java Management Extensions (JMX)

The Metrics object exposes the following metrics:

Table: Metrics

Metric	Description
connectedToHosts	A gauge that presents the number of hosts that are currently connected to (at least once).
errorMetrics	An Error.Metrics object which groups errors which have occurred.
knownHosts	A gauge that presents the number of nodes known by the driver, regardless of whether they are currently up or down).
openConnections	A gauge that presents the total number of connections to nodes.
requestsTimer	A timer that presents metrics on requests executed by the user.

In addition, you can register your own Metrics objects by extending the com.codahale.metrics.Metric interface and registering it with the metric registry. Metrics are enabled by default, but you can also disable them.

Examples

You retrieve the metrics object from your cluster.

```
public void printMetrics() {
  System.out.println("Metrics");
  Metrics metrics = getSession().getCluster().getMetrics();
  Gauge<Integer> gauge = metrics.getConnectedToHosts();
  Integer numberOfHosts = gauge.value();
  System.out.printf("Number of hosts: %d\n", numberOfHosts);
  Metrics.Errors errors = metrics.getErrorMetrics();
  Counter counter = errors.getReadTimeouts();
  System.out.printf("Number of read timeouts: %d\n", counter.count());
  Timer timer = metrics.getRequestsTimer();
  Timer.Context context = timer.time();
  try {
      long numberUserRequests = timer.getCount();
      System.out.printf("Number of user requests: dn",
 numberUserRequests);
   } finally {
      context.stop();
   }
}
```

You can create and register your own Metrics objects:

```
.getMetrics()
   .get(MetricRegistry.name(getClass(), "numberInserts"));
System.out.printf("Number of insert statements executed: %5d\n",
((Gauge<?>) ourMetric).value());
}
```

The Metrics library exposes its metrics objects as JMX managed beans (MBeans). You can gather metrics from your client application from another application for reporting purposes. This example presumes that a user-defined metric has been registered by the client as in the previous example.

```
public void connectMBeanServer() {
   try {
      JMXServiceURL url = new JMXServiceURL("service:jmx:rmi:///jndi/
rmi://:9999/jmxrmi");
      JMXConnector jmxc = JMXConnectorFactory.connect(url, null);
     MBeanServerConnection mbsConnection = jmxc.getMBeanServerConnection();
     ObjectName objectName = new ObjectName("cluster1-metrics:" +
         "name=com.example.cassandra.MetricsExample.numberInserts");
      JmxGaugeMBean mBean = JMX.newMBeanProxy(mbsConnection, objectName,
 JmxGaugeMBean.class);
      System.out.printf("Number of inserts: %5d\n", mBean.getValue());
   } catch (MalformedURLException mue) {
     mue.printStackTrace();
   } catch (IOException ioe) {
     ioe.printStackTrace();
   } catch (NullPointerException npe) {
     npe.printStackTrace();
}
```

When running the previous example, you must pass the following properties to the JVM running your client application:

```
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.port=9999 \
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.authenticate=false \
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.ssl=false
```

Related tasks

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Related reference

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Enabling tracing

Tracing is only enabled on a per-query basis. The sample client described here extends the SimpleClient class and then enables tracing on two queries: an INSERT of data and a SELECT that returns all the rows in a table.

Procedure

 Add a new class, TracingExample, to your simple-cassandra-client project. It should extend the SimpleClient class.

```
package com.example.cassandra;
public class TracingExample extends SimpleClient {
}
```

- 2. Add an instance method, traceInsert and implement it.
 - a) Build an INSERT guery and enable tracing on it.

The code illustrates using the QueryBuilder class and method chaining.

b) Execute the INSERT query and retrieve the execution tracing information.

```
ResultSet results = getSession().execute(insert);
ExecutionInfo executionInfo = results.getExecutionInfo();
```

c) Print out the information retrieved.

The code prints out information similar to that which cqlsh does when tracing has been enabled. The difference is that in cqlsh tracing is enabled and all subsequent queries prints out tracing information. In the Java driver, a session is basically stateless with respect to tracing which must be enabled on a per-query basis.

d) Implement a private instance method to format the timestamp to be human-readable.

```
private SimpleDateFormat format = new
SimpleDateFormat("HH:mm:ss.SSS");

private Object millis2Date(long timestamp) {
   return format.format(timestamp);
}
```

3. Add another instance method, traceSelect, and implement it.

```
public void traceSelect() {
    Statement scan = new SimpleStatement("SELECT * FROM
simplex.songs;");
    ExecutionInfo executionInfo =
getSession().execute(scan.enableTracing()).getExecutionInfo();
    System.out.printf( "Host (queried): %s\n",
executionInfo.getQueriedHost().toString() );
    for (Host host : executionInfo.getTriedHosts()) {
       System.out.printf( "Host (tried): %s\n", host.toString() );
    QueryTrace queryTrace = executionInfo.getQueryTrace();
    System.out.printf("Trace id: %s\n\n", queryTrace.getTraceId());
    System.out.printf("%-38s | %-12s | %-10s | %-12s\n", "activity",
"timestamp", "source", "source_elapsed");
    System.out.println("-----
    ------;
    for (QueryTrace.Event event : queryTrace.getEvents()) {
       System.out.printf("%38s | %12s | %10s | %12s\n",
event.getDescription(),
             millis2Date(event.getTimestamp()),
             event.getSource(), event.getSourceElapsedMicros());
    scan.disableTracing();
  }
```

Instead of using QueryBuilder, this code uses SimpleStatement.

4. Add a class method main and implement it.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   TracingExample client = new TracingExample();
   client.connect("127.0.0.1");
   client.createSchema();
   client.traceInsert();
   client.traceSelect();
   client.resetSchema();
   client.close();
}
```

Code listing

Complete code listing which illustrates:

- Enabling tracing on:
 - INSERT
 - SELECT
- · Retrieving execution information and printing it out.

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import java.text.SimpleDateFormat;
import java.util.UUID;
import com.datastax.driver.core.ConsistencyLevel;
import com.datastax.driver.core.ExecutionInfo;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Host;
import com.datastax.driver.core.QueryTrace;
```

```
import com.datastax.driver.core.ResultSet;
import com.datastax.driver.core.SimpleStatement;
import com.datastax.driver.core.Statement;
import com.datastax.driver.core.querybuilder.QueryBuilder;
public class TracingExample extends SimpleClient {
  private SimpleDateFormat format = new SimpleDateFormat("HH:mm:ss.SSS");
  public TracingExample() {
  public void traceInsert() {
        /* INSERT INTO simplex.songs
              (id, title, album, artist)
              VALUES (da7c6910-a6a4-11e2-96a9-4db56cdc5fe7,
                      'Golden Brown', 'La Folie', 'The Stranglers'
         * /
     Statement insert = QueryBuilder.insertInto("simplex", "songs")
           .value("id", UUID.randomUUID())
           .value("title", "Golden Brown")
           .value("album", "La Folie")
           .value("artist", "The Stranglers")
            .setConsistencyLevel(ConsistencyLevel.ONE).enableTracing();
     ResultSet results = getSession().execute(insert);
     ExecutionInfo executionInfo = results.getExecutionInfo();
     System.out.printf( "Host (queried): %s\n",
 executionInfo.getQueriedHost().toString() );
     for (Host host : executionInfo.getTriedHosts()) {
        System.out.printf( "Host (tried): %s\n", host.toString() );
     QueryTrace queryTrace = executionInfo.getQueryTrace();
     System.out.printf("Trace id: %s\n\n", queryTrace.getTraceId());
     System.out.printf("%-38s | %-12s | %-10s | %-12s\n", "activity",
 "timestamp", "source", "source_elapsed");
     System.out.println("-----
 for (QueryTrace.Event event : queryTrace.getEvents()) {
        System.out.printf("%38s | %12s | %10s | %12s\n",
 event.getDescription(),
              millis2Date(event.getTimestamp()),
              event.getSource(), event.getSourceElapsedMicros());
     insert.disableTracing();
  public void traceSelect() {
     Statement scan = new SimpleStatement("SELECT * FROM simplex.songs;");
     ExecutionInfo executionInfo =
getSession().execute(scan.enableTracing()).getExecutionInfo();
     System.out.printf( "Host (queried): %s\n",
 executionInfo.getQueriedHost().toString() );
     for (Host host : executionInfo.getTriedHosts()) {
        System.out.printf( "Host (tried): %s\n", host.toString() );
     QueryTrace queryTrace = executionInfo.getQueryTrace();
     System.out.printf("Trace id: %s\n\n", queryTrace.getTraceId());
     System.out.printf("%-38s | %-12s | %-10s | %-12s\n", "activity",
 "timestamp", "source", "source_elapsed");
     System.out.println("-----
     ----+----");
     for (QueryTrace.Event event : queryTrace.getEvents()) {
        System.out.printf("%38s | %12s | %10s | %12s\n",
event.getDescription(),
```

Output:

```
Connected to cluster: xerxes
Simplex keyspace and schema created.
Host (queried): /127.0.0.1
Host (tried): /127.0.0.1
Trace id: 96ac9400-a3a5-11e2-96a9-4db56cdc5fe7
activity
                                      timestamp
                                                   source
source_elapsed
              Parsing statement | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
  28
                   Peparing statement | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
    Determining replicas for mutation | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 348
        Sending message to /127.0.0.3 | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 788
        Sending message to /127.0.0.2 | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 805
       Acquiring switchLock read lock | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 828
               Appending to committog | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 848
             Adding to songs memtable | 12:17:16.736 | /127.0.0.1 |
 900
     Message received from /127.0.0.1 | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.2 |
  34
     Message received from /127.0.0.1 | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.3 |
  25
       Acquiring switchLock read lock | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.2 |
  672
       Acquiring switchLock read lock | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.3 |
  525
               Appending to commitlog | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.2 |
 692
               Appending to committog | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.3 |
 541
             Adding to songs memtable | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.2 |
 741
```

```
Adding to songs memtable | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.3 |
  583
      Enqueuing response to /127.0.0.1 | 12:17:16.737 | /127.0.0.3 |
  751
      Enqueuing response to /127.0.0.1 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.2 |
  950
      Message received from /127.0.0.3 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.1 |
  178
         Sending message to /127.0.0.1 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.2 |
 1189
      Message received from /127.0.0.2 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.1 |
  249
  Processing response from /127.0.0.3 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.1 |
  Processing response from /127.0.0.2 | 12:17:16.738 | /127.0.0.1 |
  377
Connected to cluster: xerxes
Host (queried): /127.0.0.3
Host (tried): /127.0.0.3
Trace id: da7c6910-a6a4-11e2-96a9-4db56cdc5fe7
                                        | timestamp
                                                      source
activity
source_elapsed
. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
                     Parsing statement | 12:49:34.497 | /127.0.0.3 |
  35
                    Peparing statement | 12:49:34.497 | /127.0.0.3 |
  191
         Determining replicas to query | 12:49:34.497 | /127.0.0.3 |
  342
         Sending message to /127.0.0.2 | 12:49:34.498 | /127.0.0.3 |
 1561
     Message received from /127.0.0.3 | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.2 |
   37
      Message received from /127.0.0.2 | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.3 |
 2880
Executing seg scan across 0 sstables
 for [min(-9223372036854775808),
                                        | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.2 |
 min(-9223372036854775808)]
  580
          Scanned 0 rows and matched 0 | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.2 |
  648
      Enqueuing response to /127.0.0.3 | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.2 |
  670
         Sending message to /127.0.0.3 | 12:49:34.499 | /127.0.0.2 |
  Processing response from /127.0.0.2 | 12:49:34.500 | /127.0.0.3 |
 3237
```

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Enabling debug-level logging

The driver uses the Simple Logging Facade for Java (SLF4J) which works with most common logging frameworks such as Apache Log4j and logback. Enabling debugging depends on which framework your application uses. For example, if your driver client application uses Log4j, you enable debugging for the driver by adding the following to your driver client log4j.properties file:

```
log4j.logger.com.datastax.driver=DEBUG
```

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Logging example

The following example uses the SimpleClient application you developed in the Writing your first client tutorial. It uses the Log4j library and configures it so that the driver logs DEBUG messages, while the SimpleClient application logs only INFO messages.

Procedure

- 1. Open the simple-client project in Eclipse.
- 2. Add the slf4j-log4j12 JAR file as a Maven dependency.
 - a) Right-click on the simple-client project node and select Maven > Add Dependency > . The Add Dependency dialog displays.
 - b) Enter slf4j-log4j12 in the search textfield.
 - c) Expand the org.apache.directory.studio node and choose 1.7.2 [jar].
 - d) Click OK to dismiss the dialog.
- 3. Add a Log4j configuration file to the project.
 - a) Right-click on the src/main/resources directory node in the package explorer and select New > File.

The **New File** dialog displays.

- b) Enter log4j.properties in the File name textfield.
- c) Configure Log4j to turn on debug-level logging for the driver and information-level logging for the SimpleClient application.

```
log4j.logger.com.datastax.driver=DEBUG, A1
log4j.appender.A1=org.apache.log4j.ConsoleAppender
log4j.appender.A1.layout=org.apache.log4j.PatternLayout
log4j.logger.com.example.cassandra.SimpleClient=INFO, A2
log4j.appender.A2=org.apache.log4j.ConsoleAppender
log4j.appender.A2.layout=org.apache.log4j.PatternLayout
```

d) Save the properties file.

The Log4j library looks for a log4j.xml or log4j.properties file on the classpath. Files stored in src/main/resources directory are automatically included on the project's classpath.

4. Run the SimpleClient application.

```
com.datastax.driver.NEW_NODE_DELAY_SECONDS is undefined, using default value
1
```

```
com.datastax.driver.NON BLOCKING EXECUTOR SIZE is undefined, using default
value 4
com.datastax.driver.NOTIF LOCK TIMEOUT SECONDS is undefined, using default
 value 60
Cannot find Snappy class, you should make sure the Snappy library is in the
 classpath if you intend to use it. Snappy compression will not be available
 for the protocol.
Cannot find LZ4 class, you should make sure the LZ4 library is in the
 classpath if you intend to use it. LZ4 compression will not be available
 for the protocol.
Starting new cluster with contact points [/127.0.0.1:9042]
Connection[/127.0.0.1:9042-1, inFlight=0, closed=false] Transport
 initialized and ready
[Control connection] Refreshing node list and token map
[Control connection] Refreshing schema
[Control connection] Refreshing node list and token map
[Control connection] Successfully connected to /127.0.0.1:9042
Using data-center name 'datacenter1' for DCAwareRoundRobinPolicy (if
 this is incorrect, please provide the correct datacenter name with
DCAwareRoundRobinPolicy constructor)
New Cassandra host /127.0.0.3:9042 added
New Cassandra host /127.0.0.2:9042 added
New Cassandra host /127.0.0.1:9042 added
New Cassandra host /127.0.0.4:9042 added
Connected to cluster: darius
Connection[/127.0.0.1:9042-2, inFlight=0, closed=false] Transport
 initialized and ready
Received event EVENT DROPPED TABLE simplex.songs, scheduling delivery
Received event EVENT DROPPED TABLE simplex.playlists, scheduling delivery
Received event EVENT DROPPED KEYSPACE simplex, scheduling delivery
Finished dropping simplex keyspace.
Connection[/127.0.0.3:9042-1, inFlight=0, closed=true] closing connection
Connection[/127.0.0.2:9042-1, inFlight=0, closed=true] closing connection
Connection[/127.0.0.1:9042-2, inFlight=0, closed=true] closing connection
Connection[/127.0.0.4:9042-1, inFlight=0, closed=true] closing connection
Shutting down
Connection[/127.0.0.1:9042-1, inFlight=0, closed=true] closing connection
```

Node discovery

Description

The driver discovers the nodes that constitute a cluster by querying the contact points used in building the cluster object. After this it is up to the cluster's load balancing policy to keep track of node events (that is add, down, remove, or up) by its implementation of the Host.StateListener interface.

Object-mapping API

A common use case in Java applications is to transform query results into custom Java classes modeling domain objects. The new object-mapping API is distributed in the cassandra-driver-mapping JAR file. To use the object-mapping API, you must add the cassandra-driver-mapping JAR to your classpath or as a Maven dependency.

Version 2.1 of the driver introduces a new object mapping API with the following features:

Basic CRUD operations

Using specially annotated Java POJOs allows your application to perform basic CRUD operations (for example, save, delete and simple get) with the Mapper class.

For example:

```
CREATE TYPE complex.address (
    street text,
    city text,
    zipCode int,
    phones list<text>
);

CREATE TABLE complex.accounts (
    email text PRIMARY KEY,
    name text,
    addr frozen<address>
);
```

You annotate the Java class with Table, passing in the required elements specifying the keyspace and the table name. As long as the object's fields and the table's column's have the same name, you do not need any further annotations. The email column which is the primary key for the accounts table is annotated with PartitionKey.

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Column;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Frozen;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.PartitionKey;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Table;
import com.google.common.base.Objects;
@Table(keyspace = "complex", name = "accounts")
public class Account {
    @PartitionKey
   private String email;
    private String name;
    @Column (name = "addr")
    @Frozen
    private Address address;
    public Account() {
    public Account(String name, String email, Address address) {
        this.name = name;
        this.email = email;
        this.address = address;
    public String getName() {
       return name;
    public void setName(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    public String getEmail() {
       return email;
```

```
public void setEmail(String email) {
        this.email = email;
   public Address getAddress() {
        return address;
   public void setAddress(Address address) {
        this.address = address;
   @Override
   public boolean equals(Object other) {
        if (other instanceof Account) {
            Account that = (Account) other;
            return Objects.equal(this.name, that.name) &&
                   Objects.equal(this.email, that.email);
        return false;
   @Override
   public int hashCode() {
        return Objects.hashCode(name, email);
}
```

Using a Mapper instance, you can perform basic CRUD operations on your object.

```
Mapper<Account> mapper = new
   MappingManager(getSession()).mapper(Account.class);
Phone phone = new Phone("home", "707-555-3537");
List<Phone> phones = new ArrayList<Phone>();
phones.add(phone);
Address address = new Address("25800 Arnold Drive", "Sonoma", 95476, phones);
Account account = new Account("John Doe", "jd@example.com", address);
mapper.save(account);
Account whose = mapper.get("jd@example.com");
System.out.println("Account name: " + whose.getName());
mapper.delete(account);
```

The Mapper object also has an asynchronous get method that returns a com.google.common.util.concurrent.ListenableFuture<T>.

```
ListenableFuture<User> userFuture = mapper.getAsync(userId);
ListenableFuture<Void> saveFuture = mapper.saveAsync(user);
ListenableFuture<Void> deleteAsync(userId);
```

Field-column mismatches

If an object's field has a different name from the corresponding column, you must annotate it, specifying the name. For example:

```
private int zipCode;

@Column( name = "zip_code" )
public int getZipCode() {
```

```
return zipCode;
}
```

The Transient annotation

To prevent a field from being mapped, use the Transient annotation.

```
CREATE TABLE complex.minuscules (
   name text PRIMARY KEY,
   size int
);

@Table(keyspace = "complex", name = "minuscules")
public class Little {
   @PartitionKey
   private String name;
   @Transient
   private String secret;
   private int size;

// etc.
```

The Enumerated annotation

If your class contains an enum type field, you use the Enumerated annotation.

```
enum Gender { FEMALE, MALE };

// ...

// FEMALE will be persisted as 'FEMALE'
@Enumerated(EnumType.STRING)
private Gender gender;

// FEMALE will be persisted as 0, MALE as 1
@Enumerated(EnumType.ORDINAL)
private Gender gender
```

Mapping UDTs

In your application, you can map your UDTs to application entities. For example, given the following UDT:

```
CREATE TYPE complex.address (
   street text,
   city text,
   zipCode int,
   phones list<text>
);
```

You create a Java class to map it to and annotate:

```
@UDT (keyspace = "complex", name = "address")
public class Address {
    private String street;
```

```
private String city;
   private int zipCode;
   private List<Phone> phones;
   public Address() {
   public String getStreet() {
        return street;
   public void setStreet(String street) {
        this.street = street;
   public String getCity() {
        return city;
   public void setCity(String city) {
        this.city = city;
   public int getZipCode() {
        return zipCode;
   public void setZipCode(int zipCode) {
        this.zipCode = zipCode;
   public List<Phone> getPhones() {
        return phones;
   public void setPhones(List<Phone> phones) {
        this.phones = phones;
}
```

You map the UDT to its corresponding Java class:

```
UDTMapper<Address> mapper = new MappingManager(getSession())
   .udtMapper(Address.class);
```

Once you have a mapper instance, you use it during your application's lifetime. When you retrieve a a column of your UDT from a result set, it is an instance of <code>UDTValue</code>. You use your mapper to map it to your class.

```
ResultSet results = getSession().execute("SELECT * FROM complex.users " +
    "WHERE id = 756716f7-2e54-4715-9f00-91dcbea6cf50;");
for (Row row : results) {
    System.out.println(row.getString("name"));
    Map<String, UDTValue> addresses = row.getMap("addresses", String.class,
    UDTValue.class);
    for (String key : addresses.keySet()) {
        Address address = mapper.fromUDT(addresses.get(key));
        System.out.println(key + " address: " + address);
    }
}
```

CQL column and Java class fields mismatch

For the automatic mapping to work, the table column names and the class properties must match (case does not count). For example, in the UDT and the Java class examples aboved were changed:

```
CREATE TYPE address (
   street text,
   city text,
   zip_code int,
   phones list<text>
);
```

You use the Field annotation to provide the name of the field in your Java class that differs from that in your UDT:

```
public class Address {
    // all other fields and their getters and setters the same as above
    @Field (name = "zip_code")
    private int zipCode;

public int getZipCode() {
      return zipCode;
    }

public void setZipCode(int zipCode) {
      this.zipCode = zipCode;
    }
}
```

Accessor-annotated interfaces

If you need to use queries that are more complex than CRUD methods, you can use Accessor-annotated interfaces. The query strings are specific, but most of the boilerplate can still be handled automatically. You generate an object that implements the interface with the MappingManager.

Query are bound either by name or position.

An example using the User table above:

```
package com.example.cassandra;
import java.util.UUID;
import com.datastax.driver.core.ResultSet;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.Result;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Accessor;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Param;
import com.datastax.driver.mapping.annotations.Query;
@Accessor
public interface UserAccessor {
    @Query("SELECT * FROM complex.users WHERE id = :id")
    User getUserNamed(@Param("userId") UUID id);
    @Query("SELECT * FROM complex.users WHERE id = ?")
    User getOnePosition(UUID userId);
    @Query("UPDATE complex.users SET addresses[:name]=:address WHERE id = :id")
```

```
ResultSet addAddress(@Param("id") UUID id, @Param("name") String
addressName, @Param("address") Address address);

@Query("SELECT * FROM complex.users")
public Result<User> getAll();

@Query("SELECT * FROM complex.users")
public ListenableFuture<Result<User>> getAllAsync();
}
```

Once you have your accessor written, you create an instance implementing the interface:

```
MappingManager manager = new MappingManager (getSession());
Address address = new Address();
UserAccessor userAccessor = manager.createAccessor(UserAccessor.class);
Result<User> users = userAccessor.getAll();
for(User user : users) {
    System.out.println(user.getName());
}
```

Table: Possible return types

Return type	Description]
Т	A mapped class. In which case the first row is mapped.	enableFutu:
ResultSet	An Iterable <row> object.</row>	
Result <t></t>	An Iterable <t> object that maps all the rows to objects.</t>	
ListenableFuture <r></r>	A Guava future, com.google.common.util.concurrent.Liste of one of the other return types. Returning this type means the method is asynchronous.	
ResultSetFuture	Same as ResultSet, but the query will be executed asynchronously.	
Statement	The method does not execute anything, but returns a BoundStatement ready for execution. This is useful if you want to add the statement to a batch.	

Setting up your Java development environment

Java driver dependencies

While the tutorials in this document were written using Eclipse and Maven, you can use any IDE or text editor and any build tool to develop client applications that use the driver.

The following JAR files and versions are required on your build environment classpath to use the Java driver:

```
• cassandra-driver-core-2.2.0.jar
```

• guava-14.0.1.jar

• metrics-core-3.0.2.jar

• slf4j-api-1.7.10.jar

Tuple types

Cassandra 2.1 introduced the tuple type for CQL. For the following table: A tuple is a fixed-length set of typed positional fields.

```
CREATE TABLE tuple_test (
    the_key int PRIMARY KEY,
    the_tuple frozen<tuple<int, text, float>>)
```

You write to the tuple column in Java like this:

```
TupleType theType = TupleType.of(DataType.cint(), DataType.text(),
  DataType.cfloat());
TupleValue theValue = theType.newValue();
theValue.setInt (0, 1);
theValue.setString (1, "abc");
theValue.setFloat (2, 1.0f);
getSession().execute("INSERT INTO complex.tuple_test(the_key, the_tuple)
  VALUES (?, ?)", 2, theValue);
```

You read from a tuple column like this:

```
PreparedStatement preparedStatement = session.prepare("SELECT the_tuple FROM complex.tuple_test WHERE id = ?");
Row row = getSession().execute(preparedStatement.bind(2)).one();
TupleValue theValue1 = row.getTupleValue("the_tuple");
// As there are no names for tuple fields, access them by position float theFloat = theValue1.getFloat(0);
String theText = theValue1.getString(1);
TupleValue theValue2 = session.execute("SELECT * FROM tuple_test WHERE the_key = 2").one().getTupleValue("the_tuple");
String s = theValue2.getString(1);
```

Related reference

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User-defined types

Cassandra 2.1 introduces support for User-defined types (UDT). A user-defined type simplifies handling a group of related properties.

A quick example is a user account table that contains address details described through a set of columns: street, city, zip code. With the addition of UDTs, you can define this group of properties as a type and access them as a single entity or separately.

User-defined types are declared at the keyspace level.

UDT API

You access UDTs as you do other metadata from your session instance. For example, given the following schema:

```
CREATE KEYSPACE complex
  WITH replication = {'class' : 'SimpleStrategy', 'replication_factor' :
 3};
CREATE TYPE complex.phone (
  alias text,
  number text
);
CREATE TYPE complex.address (
  street text,
   zip_code int,
  phones list<phone>
);
CREATE TABLE complex.users (
  id int PRIMARY KEY,
  name text,
  addresses frozen<address>
);
```

UDTs are represented by instances of <code>UserType</code>, and you create new values by using the <code>UDTValue</code> class. Here is an example that uses the schema above.

```
PreparedStatement insertUserPreparedStatement
    = getSession().prepare("INSERT INTO complex.users (id, name, addresses)
VALUES (?, ?, ?);");
PreparedStatement selectUserPreparedStatement
    = getSession().prepare("SELECT * FROM complex.users WHERE id = ?;");
UserType addressUDT = getSession().getCluster()
    .getMetadata().getKeyspace("complex").getUserType("address");
UserType phoneUDT = getSession().getCluster()
    .getMetadata().getKeyspace("complex").getUserType("phone");
UDTValue phone1 = phoneUDT.newValue()
    .setString("alias", "home")
    .setString("number", "1-707-555-1234");
UDTValue phone2 = phoneUDT.newValue()
    .setString("alias", "work")
    .setString("number", "1-800-555-9876");
UDTValue addresses = addressUDT.newValue()
    .setString("street", "123 Arnold Drive")
    .setInt("zip_code", 95476)
.setList("phones", ImmutableList.of(phone1, phone2));
Map<String, UDTValue> addresses = new HashMap<String, UDTValue>();
addresses.put("Work", address);
UUID userId = UUID.fromString("fbdf82ed-0063-4796-9c7c-a3d4f47b4b25");
getSession().execute(insertUserPreparedStatement.bind(userId, "G. Binary",
addresses));
Row row =
getSession().execute(selectUserPreparedStatement.bind(userId)).one();
for ( UDTValue addr : row.getMap("addresses", String.class,
UDTValue.class).values() ) {
    System.out.println("Zip: " + addr.getInt("zip_code"));
```

Direct field manipulation

Reading UDT fields

You can access a field within a UDT from a SELECT statement.

Given the following schema:

```
CREATE TABLE complex.customers (
   email text PRIMARY KEY,
   phone_number frozen<phone>);

CREATE TYPE complex.phone (
   alias text,
   number text);
```

You can:

```
ResultSet results = getSession()
    .execute("SELECT phone_number.number FROM " +
          "complex.customers WHERE email = 'grex@example.com';");
String number = results.one().getString("phone_number.number");
System.out.println("Phone number: " + number);
```

Writing UDT fields

You can change a field within a UDT from an UPDATE statement.

With the same schema above.

FAQ

- · Can I check if a conditional (lightweight transaction) was successful?
- What is a parameterized statement and how can I use it?
- Does a parameterized statement escape parameters?
- What is the difference between a parameterized statement and a Prepared statement?
- Can I combine Prepared statements and normal statements in a batch?
- Can I get the raw bytes of a text column?
- Is there a way to control the batch size of the results returned from a query?
- What's the difference between using setFetchSize() and LIMIT?

Can I check if a conditional statement (lightweight transaction) was successful?

When executing a conditional statements the ResultSet will contain a single Row with a column named applied of type boolean. This tells whether the conditional statement was successful or not:

```
ResultSet rset = session.execute(conditionalStatement);
Row row = rset.one(); // if this is true then the statement was successful
row.getBool(0); // this is equivalent row.getBool("applied")
```

What is a parameterized statement and how can I use it?

Starting with Cassandra 2.0, normal statements (that is non-prepared statement) do not need to concatenate parameter values inside a query string. Instead you can use? markers and provide the values separately:

Does a parameterized statement escape parameters?

A parameterized statement sends the values of parameters separate from the query (similarly to the way a PreparedStatement) as bytes so there is no need to escape parameters.

What's the difference between a parameterized statement and a **Prepared statement?**

The only similarity between a parameterized statement and a prepared statement is in the way that the parameters are sent. The difference is that a prepared statement:

- is already known on the cluster side (it has been compiled and there is an execution plan available for it) which leads to better performance
- sends only the statement id and its parameters (thus reducing the amount of data sent to the cluster)

Can I combine Prepared statements and normal statements in a batch?

Yes. A batch can include both bound statements and simple statements:

```
PreparedStatement ps = session.prepare( "INSERT INTO contacts (email,
    firstname, lastname)
        VALUES (?, ?, ?)"); BatchStatement batch = new BatchStatement();
batch.add(ps.bind(...));
batch.add(ps.bind(...));
// here's a simple statement
atch.add(new SimpleStatement( "INSERT INTO contacts (email, firstname,
    lastname) VALUES (?, ?, ?)", ...));
```

```
session.execute(batch);
```

Can I get the raw bytes of a text column?

If you need to access the raw bytes of a text column, call the <code>Row.getBytesUnsafe("columnName")</code> method.

Trying to using Row.getBytes ("columnName") for the same purpose results in an exception as the getBytes method is used to retrieve a BLOB value.

How to increment counters with QueryBuilder?

Considering the following query:

```
UPDATE clickstream SET clicks = clicks + 1 WHERE userid = id;
```

To do this using QueryBuilder:

Is there a way to control the batch size of the results returned from a query?

Use the setFetchSize() method on your Statement object. The fetch size controls how many resulting rows are retrieved simultaneously (the goal being to avoid loading too many results in memory for queries yielding large result sets).

What's the difference between using setFetchSize() and LIMIT?

Basically, LIMIT controls the maximum number of results done on the Cassandra side, while the setFetchSize() method controls the amount of data transferred between Cassandra and the client.

API reference

DataStax Java Driver for Apache Cassandra.

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Other resources

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- Documentation home page
- DataStax Academy
- Datasheets
- Webinars
- Whitepapers
- DataStax Developer Blogs
- Support