



# Cassandra Query Language

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# Keyspace

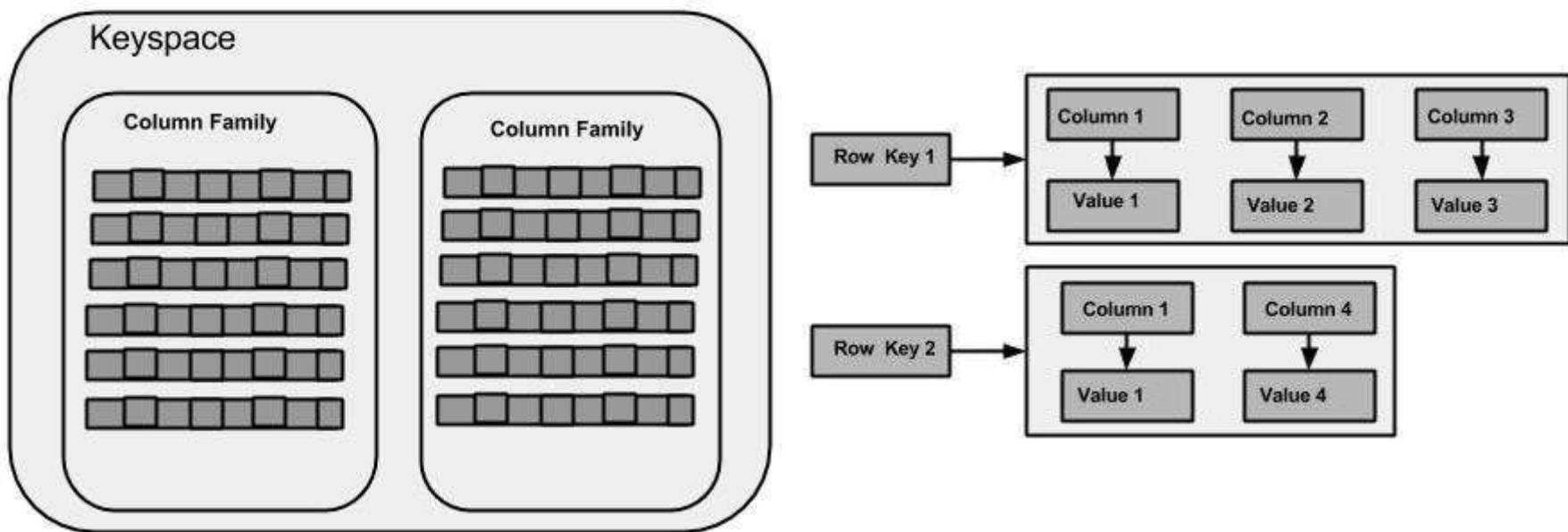
- **Replication factor** – It is the number of machines in the cluster that will receive copies of the same data.
- **Replica placement strategy** – It is nothing but the strategy to place replicas in the ring. We have strategies such as simple strategy(rack-aware strategy), old network topology strategy (rack-aware strategy), and network topology strategy (datacenter-shared strategy).
- **CREATE KEYSPACE Keyspace name WITH replication = {'class': 'SimpleStrategy', 'replication\_factor' : 1};**

```
cqlsh> CREATE KEYSPACE employee WITH REPLICATION={'class':'SimpleStrategy','replication_factor':1};
```



# Column Family

- A Cassandra column family has the following attributes –
- **keys\_cached** – It represents the number of locations to keep cached per SSTable.
- **rows\_cached** – It represents the number of rows whose entire contents will be cached in memory.
- **preload\_row\_cache** – It specifies whether you want to pre-populate the row cache.





# Column & Super Column



- A **column** is the basic data structure of Cassandra with three values, namely key or column name, value, and a time stamp. Given below is the structure of a column.

Column		
name : byte[]	value : byte[]	clock : clock[]

- A **super column** is a special column, therefore, it is also a key-value pair. But a super column stores a map of sub-columns.

Super Column	
name : byte[]	cols : map<byte[], column>



**HELP** - Displays help topics for all cqlsh commands.

**CAPTURE** - Captures the output of a command and adds it to a file.

- **CONSISTENCY** - Shows the current consistency level, or sets a new consistency level.

- **COPY** - Copies data to and from Cassandra.

- **DESCRIBE** - Describes the current cluster of Cassandra and its objects.

- **EXPAND** - Expands the output of a query vertically.

- **EXIT** - Using this command, you can terminate cqlsh.

- **PAGING** - Enables or disables query paging.

- **SHOW** - Displays the details of current cqlsh session such as Cassandra version, host,

- **SOURCE** - Executes a file that contains CQL statements.

- **TRACING** - Enables or disables request tracing.

- **CQL Data Definition Commands**

- **CREATE KEYSPACE** - Creates a KeySpace in Cassandra.

- **USE** - Connects to a created KeySpace.

- **ALTER KEYSPACE** - Changes the properties of a KeySpace.

- **DROP KEYSPACE** - Removes a KeySpace

- **CREATE TABLE** - Creates a table in a KeySpace.

- **ALTER TABLE** - Modifies the column properties of a table.

- **DROP TABLE** - Removes a table.

- **TRUNCATE** - Removes all the data from a table.

- **CREATE INDEX** - Defines a new index on a single column of a table.

- **DROP INDEX** - Deletes a named index.



# CQL Data Manipulation Commands

- **INSERT** - Adds columns for a row in a table.
- **UPDATE** - Updates a column of a row.
- **DELETE** - Deletes data from a table.
- **BATCH** - Executes multiple DML statements at once.
- **CQL Clauses**
- **SELECT** - This clause reads data from a table
- **WHERE** - The where clause is used along with select to read a specific data.
- **ORDERBY** - The orderby clause is used along with select to read a specific data in a specific order.



# CQLSH Commands

- **HELP**
- **CONSISTENCY**

```
cqlsh> CONSISTENCY  
Current consistency level is ONE.
```

- **Describe Keyspaces**

```
cqlsh> HELP  
  
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           INT               USE  
ASCII                DATE                 JSON              UUID  
BATCH                DELETE               KEYWORDS  
BEGIN                DROP_AGGREGATE        LIST_PERMISSIONS  
BLOB                 DROP_COLUMNFAMILY    LIST_ROLES  
BOOLEAN              DROP_FUNCTION        LIST_USERS  
COUNTER              DROP_INDEX           PERMISSIONS  
CREATE_AGGREGATE     DROP_KEYSPACE        REVOKE  
CREATE_COLUMNFAMILY  DROP_MATERIALIZED_VIEW SELECT  
CREATE_FUNCTION      DROP_ROLE            SELECT_JSON  
CREATE_INDEX          DROP_TABLE
```

```
cqlsh> Describe Keyspaces  
  
people          system_auth  emp          employee  
system_schema  system      system_distributed  system_traces
```

- **cqlsh> CAPTURE 'C:\Users\Admin\Desktop\Cassandra-1'**
- Already capturing output to C:\Users\Admin\Desktop\Cassandra-1. Use CAPTURE OFF to disable.
- **cqlsh> capture off**



## Use employee;

```
cqlsh> use employee  
...;  
cqlsh:employee> use emp  
...;  
cqlsh:emp>
```

- **CREATE TABLE EMP\_INFO ( empid int PRIMARY KEY, emp\_name text, DOJ timestamp, lastsalary double);**
- **Describe tables**

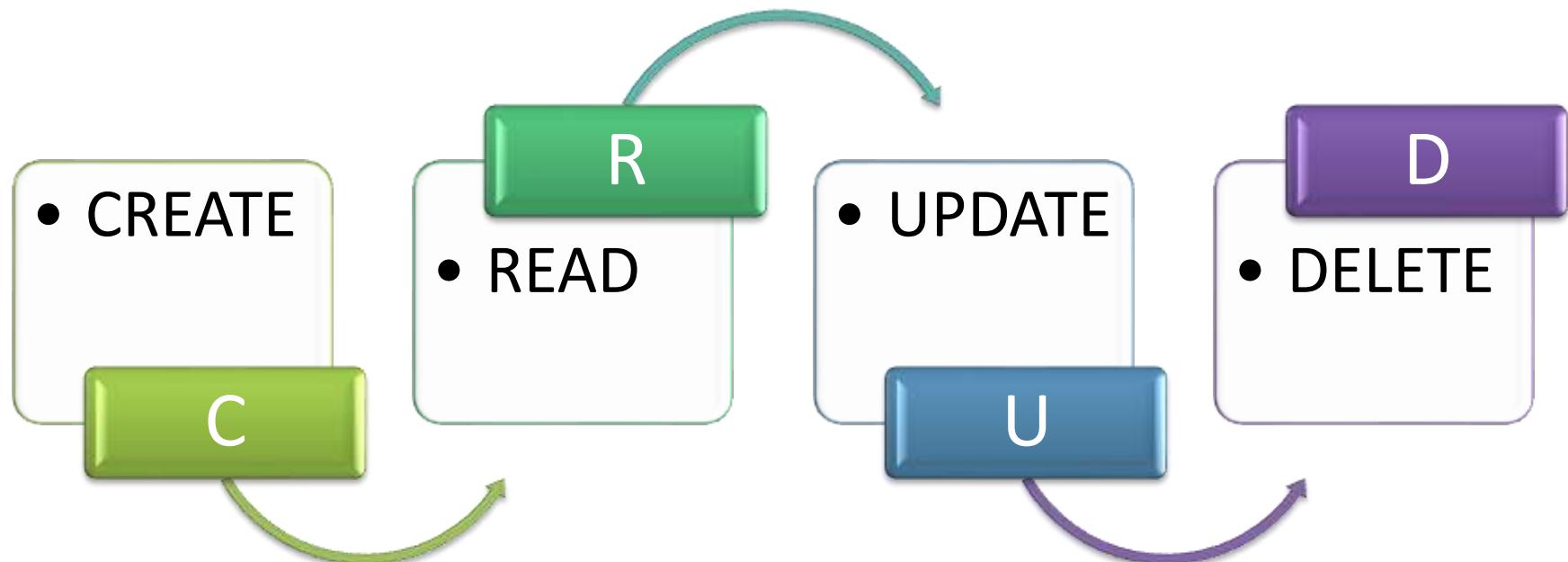
```
cqlsh:emp> CREATE TABLE EMP_INFO(empid int PRIMARY KEY,empname text, DOJ timestamp,  
mp, lastsalary double);  
cqlsh:emp> describe tables;  
  
emp_info
```

- **Describe tables EMP\_INFO**

```
cqlsh:emp> describe table EMP_INFO  
  
CREATE TABLE emp.emp_info (<  
    empid int PRIMARY KEY,  
    doj timestamp,  
    empname text,  
    lastsalary double  
> WITH bloom_filter_fp_chance = 0.01  
        AND caching = {'keys': 'ALL', 'rows_per_partition': 'NONE'}  
        AND comment = ''  
        AND compaction = {'class': 'org.apache.cassandra.db.compaction.SizeTieredCom  
pactionStrategy', 'max_threshold': '32', 'min_threshold': '4'}  
        AND compression = {'chunk_length_in_kb': '64', 'class': 'org.apache.cassandr  
a.io.compress.LZ4Compressor'}  
        AND crc_check_chance = 1.0  
        AND dclocal_read_repair_chance = 0.1  
        AND default_time_to_live = 0  
        AND gc_grace_seconds = 864000  
        AND max_index_interval = 2048  
        AND memtable_flush_period_in_ms = 0  
        AND min_index_interval = 128  
        AND read_repair_chance = 0.0  
        AND speculative_retry = '99PERCENTILE';
```



# CRUD OPERATION





INSERT INTO cycling.cyclist\_name (id, lastname, firstname) VALUES  
(6ab09bec-e68e-48d9-a5f8-97e6fb4c9b47, 'KRUIKSWIJK', 'Steven') USING  
TTL 86400 AND TIMESTAMP 123456789;

```
cqlsh:emp> INSERT INTO emp.emp_info(empid,DOJ,empname,lastsalary) VALUES(1,'2015-05-25','arul',45698.25);
```

- BEGIN BATCH  
INSERT INTO cycling.cyclist\_name (id, lastname, firstname)  
VALUES (6ab09bec-e68e-48d9-a5f8-97e6fb4c9b47, 'KRUIKSWIJK', 'Steven')  
INSERT INTO cycling.cyclist\_name (id, lastname, firstname) VALUES  
(6ab09bec-e68e-48d9-a5f8-97e6fb4c9b47, 'KRUIKSWIJK', 'Steven') APPLY  
BATCH

```
cqlsh:emp> BEGIN BATCH  
INSERT INTO emp.EMP_INFO(empid,DOJ,empname,lastsalary) VALUES (5,'2010-12-15','VIDHYA',145452.25) INSERT INTO emp.EMP_INFO(empid,DOJ,empname,lastsalary) VALUES(6,'2012-11-20','MARY',74256.85) APPLY BATCH;
```

- SELECT \* FROM EMP\_INFO;

empid	doj	empname	lastsalary
5	2010-12-14 18:30:00+0000	VIDHYA	1.4545e+05
1	2015-05-24 18:30:00+0000	arul	45698.25
2	2016-04-04 18:30:00+0000	ANU	48698.2
4	2014-11-19 18:30:00+0000	MICHAEL	47256.85
6	2012-11-19 18:30:00+0000	MARY	74256.85
3	2015-12-24 18:30:00+0000	PREM	11452.25



select \* from emp\_info where empid IN(1,2,3,4);

```
cqlsh:emp> select * from emp_info where empid IN<1,2,3,4>;
+-----+-----+-----+
| empid | doj      | empname | lastsalary |
+-----+-----+-----+
|    1  | 2015-05-24 18:30:00+0000 | arul    | 45698.25   |
|    2  | 2016-04-04 18:30:00+0000 | ANU     | 48698.2    |
|    3  | 2015-12-24 18:30:00+0000 | PREM    | 11452.25   |
|    4  | 2014-11-19 18:30:00+0000 | MICHAEL | 47256.85   |
+-----+-----+-----+
<4 rows>
```

- CREATE INDEX ON EMP\_INFO (empname);
- SELECT \* FROM EMP\_INFO WHERE empname='MICHAEL';

```
cqlsh:emp> SELECT * FROM EMP_INFO WHERE empname='MICHAEL';
+-----+-----+-----+
| empid | doj      | empname | lastsalary |
+-----+-----+-----+
|    4  | 2014-11-19 18:30:00+0000 | MICHAEL | 47256.85   |
+-----+-----+-----+
```

- select \* from emp\_info LIMIT 2;

```
cqlsh:emp> SELECT * FROM EMP_INFO LIMIT 2;
+-----+-----+-----+
| empid | doj      | empname | lastsalary |
+-----+-----+-----+
|    5  | 2010-12-14 18:30:00+0000 | VIDHYA | 1.4545e+05  |
|    1  | 2015-05-24 18:30:00+0000 | arul   | 45698.25   |
+-----+-----+-----+
```

- UPDATE EMP\_INFO SET empname='stephen' WHERE empid=4;

```
cqlsh:emp> UPDATE emp.EMP_INFO SET empname='STEPHEN' WHERE empid=4;
cqlsh:emp> SELECT * FROM EMP_INFO WHERE EMPID=4
... ;
+-----+-----+-----+
| empid | doj      | empname | lastsalary |
+-----+-----+-----+
|    4  | 2014-11-19 18:30:00+0000 | STEPHEN | 47256.85   |
+-----+-----+-----+
```



Delete from emp\_info where empid=1;

```
cqlsh:emp> delete from emp_info where empid=1;
cqlsh:emp> select * from emp_info
    ... ;
```

empid	doj	empname	lastsalary
5	2010-12-14 18:30:00+0000	UIDHYA	1.4545e+05
2	2016-04-04 18:30:00+0000	ANU	48698.2
4	2014-11-19 18:30:00+0000	STEPHEN	47256.85
6	2012-11-19 18:30:00+0000	MARY	74256.85
3	2015-12-24 18:30:00+0000	PREM	11452.25

