Adding JSON/JSON-LD Documents to a Graph Database

Traditional document databases (e.g. MongoDB) have excelled at storing documents at scale, but are not designed for linking data to other documents in the same database or in different databases. AllegroGraph 6.5 delivers the unique power to define many different types of documents that can all point to each other using standards-based semantic linking and then run SPARQL queries, conduct graph searches, execute complex joins and even apply Prolog AI rules directly on a diverse sea of objects.

AllegroGraph 6.5 provides free text indexes of JSON documents for retrieval of information about entities, similar to document databases. But unlike document databases, which only link data objects within documents in a single database, AllegroGraph 6.5 moves the needle forward in data analytics by semantically linking data objects across multiple JSON document stores, RDF databases and CSV files. Users can run a single SPARQL query that results in a combination of structured data and unstructured information inside documents and CSV files. AllegroGraph 6.5 also enables retrieval of entire documents.

There are many reasons for working with JSON-LD. The big search engines force ecommerce companies to mark up their
webpages with a systematic description of their products and more and more companies use it as an easy serialization format to share data.

A direct benefit for companies using AllegroGraph is that they now can combine their documents with graphs, graph search and graph algorithms. Normally when you store documents in a document database you set up your documents in such a way that it is optimized for certain direct retrieval queries. Performing complex joins for multiple types of documents or even performing a shortest path through a mass of object (types) is too complicated. Storing JSON-LD objects in AllegroGraph gives users all the benefits of a document database AND the ability to semantically link objects together, run complex joins, and perform graph search queries.

Another key benefit for companies is that your application developers don’t have to learn the entire semantic technology stack, especially the part where developers have to create individual RDF triples or edges. Application developers love to work with JSON data as serialization for objects. In JavaScript the JSON format is syntactically identical to the code for creating JavaScript objects and in Python the most import data structure is the ‘dictionary’ which is also near identical to JSON.

**Key AllegroGraph v6.5 Features:**

- Support for loading JSON-LD and also some non-RDF data files, that is files which are not already organized into triples or quads. See Loading non-RDF data section in the Data Loading document for more information on loading non-RDF data files. Loading JSON-LD files is described along with other RDF formats in the Data Loading document. The section Supported RDF formats lists all supported RDF formats.
Support for two phase commits (2PC), which allows AllegroGraph to participate in distributed transactions compromising a number of AllegroGraph and non-AllegroGraph databases (e.g. MongoDB, Solr, etc), and to ensure that the work of a transaction must either be committed on all participants or be rolled back on all participants. Two-phase commit is described in the Two-phase commit document.

An event scheduler: Users can schedule events in the future. The event specifies a script to run. It can run once or repeatedly on a regular schedule. See the Event Scheduler document for more information.

AllegroGraph is 100 percent ACID, supporting Transactions: Commit, Rollback, and Checkpointing. Full and Fast Recoverability. Multi-Master Replication

Triple Attributes – Quads/Triples can now have attributes which can provide fine access control.

Data Science – Anaconda, R Studio

3D and multi-dimensional geospatial functionality

SPARQL v1.1 Support for Geospatial, Temporal, Social Networking Analytics, Hetero Federations

Cloudera, Solr, and MongoDB integration

JavaScript stored procedures

RDF4J Friendly, Java Connection Pooling

Graphical Query Builder for SPARQL and Prolog – Gruff

SHACL (Beta) and SPIN Support (SPARQL Inferencing Notation)

AGWebView – Visual Graph Search, Query Interface, and DB Management

Transactional Duplicate triple/quad deletion and suppression

Advanced Auditing Support
- Dynamic RDFS++ Reasoning and OWL2 RL Materializer
- AGLoad with Parallel loader optimized for both traditional spinning media and SSDs.

Numerous other optimizations, features, and enhancements. Read the release notes — https://franz.com/agraph/support/documentation/current/release-notes.html