



Introduction to Database Systems: CS312 Class Activity

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Getting started with MongoDB

Setup a data directory (if you have not already done so)

```
mkdir ~/mongodbData
```

Start the Mongo server with data directory as a parameter

Note: Control-C to exit.

```
mongod --dbpath ~/mongodbData/
```

With new another terminal, start the Mongo client

```
mongo
```

Find databases or collections, from Mongo's client

```
show dbs
```

```
show collections
```

Begin a new database, from Mongo's client

```
use myDB
```

Instructions

- You are to work in groups to answer the below questions using class notes and slides. The data set originates from the sandbox file `syntheticData_small.json` and is to be inserted into MongoDB for your queries.
- Located in your participation directory is a file in which you are to save your queries: `act_01/src/act1Code.txt`.

Repository

Your activity repository is the following:

<https://classroom.github.com/a/qf2wt4sy>

Note: You must submit this work before the end of class today to get participation credit.

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Data file: `syntheticData_small.json`

Start
MongoDB

Super,
Crazy-Fun,
Activity

Query Questions for MongoDB Programming

- 1 Show all records from employee database
- 2 Show only the document for the *company*, "RADIANTIX"
- 3 Give all *company* details from each document in *employee* database
- 4 Show the *friends* information of the above *company*
- 5 Show the *friends* of the *company* and its *address*
- 6 Show *age*, *first.name*, *last.name* and result of *isActive* for the *contact* at "RADIANTIX"
- 7 Edit your query: show the *tags* and also choose another attribute to add to the above query

Your Turn!

- 1 Pick other attributes to use as for queries and conditional
- 2 Can you find another general “attribute” such as “company” (from above) to write other interesting queries for its associated data?

THINK



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- Can you create and populate a completely new MongoDB database?
- Can you write sophisticated queries in your database to isolate meaningful information from the data?