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Load the Document

- Download the sample document (link) for the products collection used in the examples
- Import the data to the collections
- You should be able to see the uploaded data in the mongo compass

Where Clause

In MongoDB, the find_method is used to retrieve documents from a collection based on specific criteria. The find method accepts a query document that specifies the conditions for filtering the results. The where clause, represented by the $where operator, allows you to embed arbitrary JavaScript expressions within the query document to define complex filtering logic."

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.find({ $where: <your_javascript_expression> })
```

Example:

Consider a collection named products with documents containing fields like name, price, and inStock. You want to find products with a price greater than $50 and in stock (quantity greater than 0). Here's the query using $where :

```
db.products.find({
  $where: function() {
    return this.price > 50 && this.inStock > 0;
  }
})
```

Important Note:

- While $where offers flexibility, it's generally less performant than using built-in comparison operators due to JavaScript evaluation for each document.
- For most filtering scenarios, consider using the following operators instead:

AND Operator ($and)

The $and operator is used to combine multiple filtering conditions within a query document. All specified conditions must be true for a document to be included in the results.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.find({
$and: [
  { <condition1> },
  { <condition2> },
  ...
]
})
```

Example:

Continuing with the products collection, let's find products with a price between $20 and $80 (inclusive), and in stock:

```
db.products.find({
 $and: [
   { price: { $gte: 20 } }, // Greater than or equal to $20
   { price: { $lte: 80 } }, // Less than or equal to $80
   { inStock: { $gt: 0 } }  // Greater than 0 (in stock)
 ]
```

```
})
```

OR Operator ($or)

The $or operator is used to combine multiple filtering conditions where at least one condition must be true for a document to be included in the results.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.find({
  $or: [
    { <condition1> },
    { <condition2> },
    ...
  ]
})
```

Example:

Suppose you want to find products either with a price below $30 or with the category set to "Electronics":

```
db.products.find({
  $or: [
    { price: { $lt: 30 } }, // Less than $30
    { category: "Electronics" }
  ]
})
```

Choosing the Right Operator

- Use $and when all specified conditions must be met for a document to qualify.
- Use $or when at least one condition must be met for inclusion.
- Consider built-in comparison operators ($eq, $gt, $lt, etc.) for better performance over $where in most cases.

Additional Consideration

- MongoDB supports short-circuit evaluation for certain operators. For example, in $and, if the first condition evaluates to false, the remaining conditions won't be evaluated.
- When using $or with indexes, ensure each clause within the $or array can leverage an index for optimal performance.

CRUD and Projection

This explanation provides a comprehensive breakdown of CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) operations and Projection in MongoDB, along with examples and additional information:

1. **Insert:** Adds new documents to a collection.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.insertOne({ documentData1: value1, documentData2: value2, ... });
db.collectionName.insertMany([{ documentData1: value1, documentData2: value2, ... }, ...]);
```

Example:

```
db.products.insertOne({
  name: "Keyboard",
  price: 29.99,
  inStock: 25,
  category: "Electronics"
});
```

Information:

- insertOne adds a single document.
- insertMany adds an array of documents in one operation.
- Consider using validation rules within the insert methods to ensure data integrity.

2. Query (Find): Retrieves documents based on specific criteria.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.find({ filterObject }, { projectionObject });
```

Example:

```
// Find all products with price between $20 and $80 (inclusive) and in stock:
db.products.find({
  $and: [
    { price: { $gte: 20 } }, // Greater than or equal to $20
    { price: { $lte: 80 } }, // Less than or equal to $80
    { inStock: { $gt: 0 } }  // Greater than 0 (in stock)
  ]
```

```
}, { name: 1, price: 1 }); // Include only name and price fields
```

Information:

- The find method accepts a filter object (optional) to specify selection criteria and a projection object (optional) to control which fields to include or exclude in the results.

- Utilize indexes on frequently queried fields for faster retrieval.

- Explore aggregation pipelines for complex filtering and data transformation.

3. Update: Modifies existing documents based on criteria.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.updateOne({ filterObject }, { updateObject });

db.collectionName.updateMany({ filterObject }, { updateObject });
```

Example:

```
// Update the price of "T-Shirt" to $19.99 and increase stock by 5

db.products.updateOne({ name: "T-Shirt" }, { $set: { price: 19.99 }, $inc: { inStock: 5 } });
```

Information:

- updateOne modifies a single document matching the filter.

- updateMany modifies multiple documents matching the filter.

- Consider using the $inc operator to increment or decrement numerical fields.

- Utilize update validators to ensure valid data after modifications.

4. Delete: Removes documents from a collection.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.deleteOne({ filterObject });

db.collectionName.deleteMany({ filterObject });
```

Example:

```
// Delete all out-of-stock products:

db.products.deleteMany({ inStock: { $lte: 0 } });
```

Information:

- deleteOne removes a single document matching the filter.

- deleteMany removes multiple documents matching the filter.

- Be cautious with delete operations, as they're permanent. Consider archiving documents instead of deletion for potential retrieval needs.

5. Projection: Specifies which fields to include or exclude when retrieving documents.

Syntax:

```
db.collectionName.find({ filterObject }, { projectionObject });
```

Example:

```
// Find all products, excluding the `_id` field:

db.products.find({}, { _id: 0 });
```

Information:

- Projection helps limit data transfer and improve performance by selectively returning needed fields.

- Use 1 to include a field, 0 to exclude it.

Additional Considerations:

- These are basic examples. You can modify queries and operations based on your specific needs.

- For complex scenarios, consider using aggregation pipelines for data manipulation and transformation.

- Explore features like indexes, sorting, and limiting for efficient data retrieval.