

Mongo Relationships

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models

Relationships

SQL (via Foreign Keys)

- one to one
- one to many
- many to many

Relationships

SQL (via Foreign Keys)

- one to one

table 1



(1)

country

c-id	name	r-id
101	India	
102	China	

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table 2



(1)

representatives

r-id	name

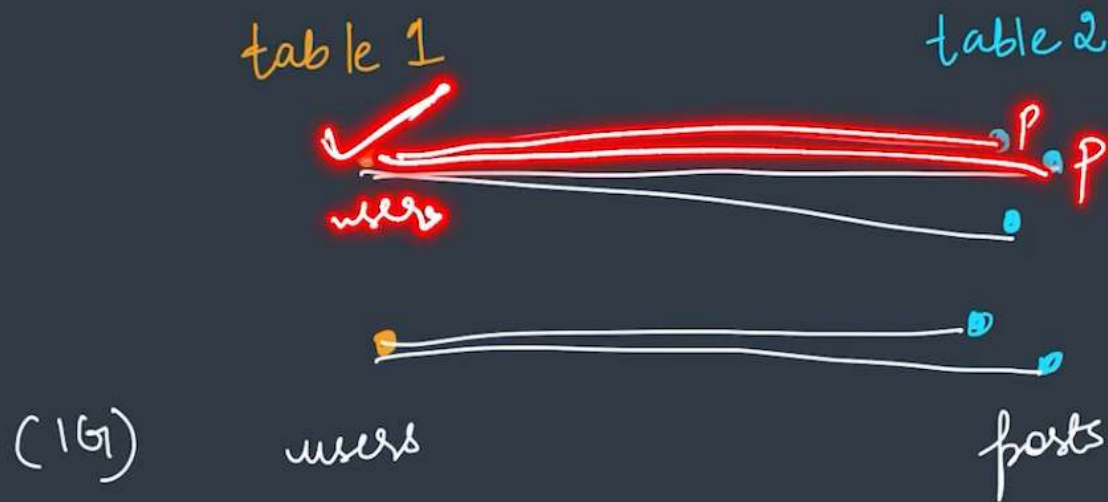
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SQL (via Foreign Keys)

- one to one
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id	name
101	Rahul
102	Neha

p-id	content	u-id
1a	-	101
2b	-	102
3c	-	101

Relationships

SQL (via Foreign Keys)

- one to one

1×1

- one to many

$1 \times n$

- many to many

$n \times n$

cardinality →

table 1
student

id	name	s-id
101	—	1a
102	—	1a
103	—	3c

table 2
subject

s-id	name	id
✓ 1a	-chem	101
2b	-phy	—
3c	-math	103

Relationships

SQL (via Foreign Keys)

table 1

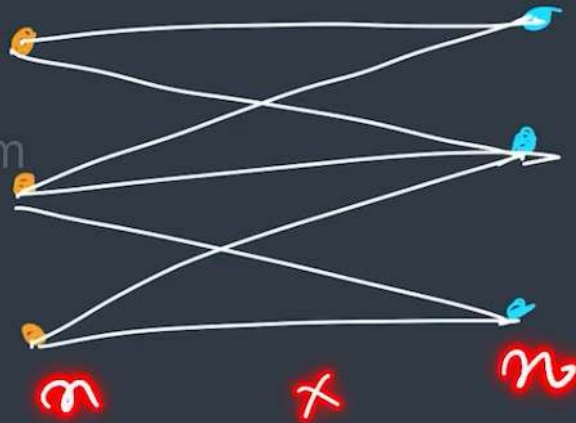
student

id	name	s-id
101	—	1a
102	—	1a
103	—	3c

- one to one

- one to many

- many to many

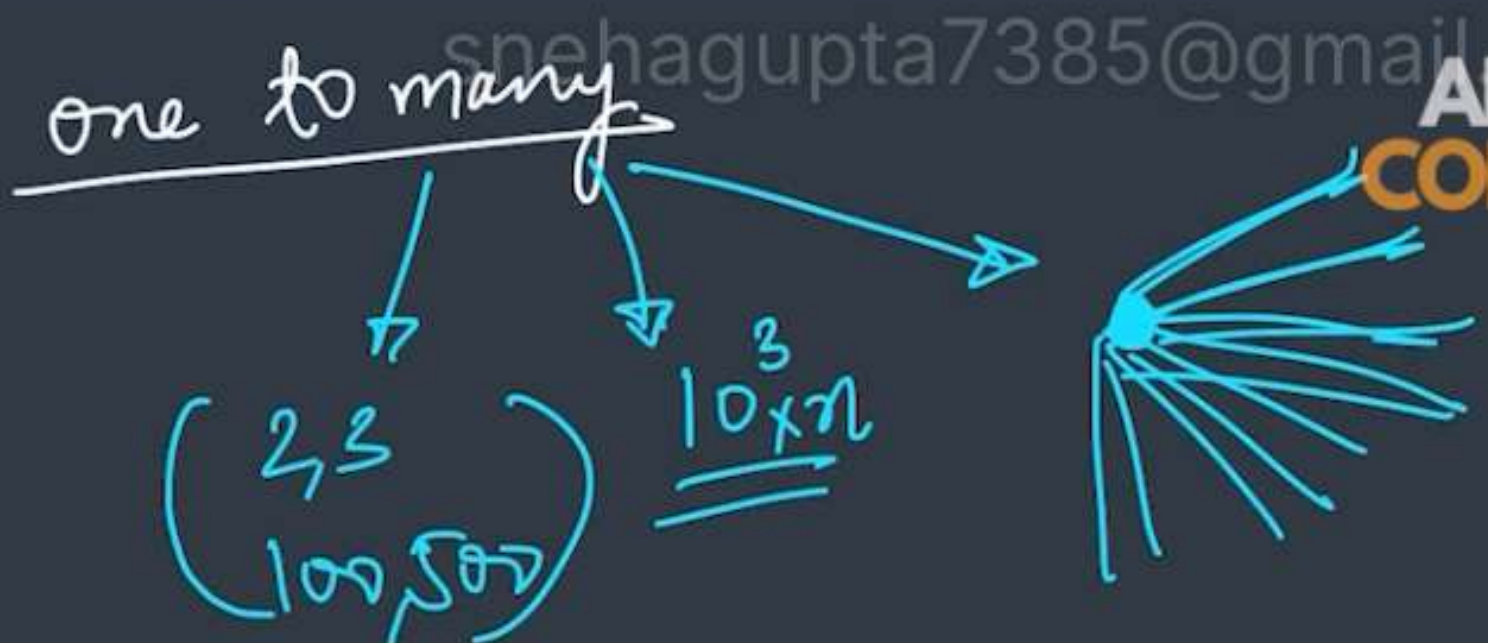


Mongo Relationships

One to Many / Approach 1 (one to few)

Store the child document inside parent

```
{
  _id: ObjectId("651d1b116976164a9cbf5520"),
  username: 'sherlockholmes',
  addresses: [
    { location: '221B Baker Street', city: 'London' },
    { location: 'P36 DownTown', city: 'London' }
  ],
  __v: 1
},
```



```

const mongoose = require("mongoose");
const {Schema} = mongoose;
async function main(){
    await mongoose.connect("mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/relationDemo")
}
main()
    .then(()=> console.log("Connection Successful"))
    .catch((err)=> console.log(err))

const userSchema = new Schema ({
    username: String,
    addresses:[
        {
            _id:false,
            location: String,
            city: String,
        },
    ],
})

const User = mongoose.model("User",userSchema);

const addUsers = async()=>{
    let user1 = new User({
        username:"sherlockholmes",
        addresses:[
            {
                location:"221B Baker Street",
                city:"London",
            },
        ],
    })
    user1.addresses.push({location:"P32 WallStreet",city:"London"});
    let result = await user1.save();
    console.log(result)
}
addUsers();

```

models % node user.js

ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node user.js
Connection Successful

```
{
  username: 'sherlockholmes',
  addresses: [
    { location: '221B Baker Street', city: 'London' },
    { location: 'P32 WallStreet', city: 'London' }
  ],
  _id: new ObjectId('6713467b8ef7c4360083d562'),
  __v: 0
}
```

Last login: Sat Oct 19 10:17:00 on tty002

[ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air ~ % mongosh

Current Mongosh Log ID: 67133c257aa617f1ab73f2d3

Connecting to: **mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/?directConnection=true&serverS
electionTimeoutMS=2000&appName=mongosh+2.3.2**

Using MongoDB: 6.0.15

Using Mongosh: 2.3.2

For mongosh info see: <https://www.mongodb.com/docs/mongodb-shell/>

The server generated these startup warnings when booting

2024-10-18T19:34:21.705+05:30: Access control is not enabled for the database
. Read and write access to data and configuration is unrestricted

[test> show dbs

admin 40.00 KiB

config 108.00 KiB

local 96.00 KiB

relationDemo 48.00 KiB

wanderlust 80.00 KiB

[test> use relationDemo

switched to db relationDemo


```
[relationDemo> show collections
users
[relationDemo> db.users.find()
[
  {
    _id: ObjectId('67133bdf8e5d49b61a25a50e'),
    username: 'sherlockholmes',
    addresses: [
      {
        location: '221B Baker Street',
        city: 'London',
        _id: ObjectId('67133bdf8e5d49b61a25a50f')
      },
      {
        location: 'P32 WallStreet',
        city: 'London',
        _id: ObjectId('67133bdf8e5d49b61a25a510')
      }
    ],
    __v: 0
  }
]
[relationDemo> db.users.deleteMany({})
{ acknowledged: true, deletedCount: 1 }
```

```
[relationDemo> db.users.deleteMany({})
{ acknowledged: true, deletedCount: 1 }
[relationDemo> db.users.find()

[relationDemo> db.users.find()
[
  {
    _id: ObjectId('6713467b8ef7c4360083d562'),
    username: 'sherlockholmes',
    addresses: [
      { location: '221B Baker Street', city: 'London' },
      { location: 'P32 WallStreet', city: 'London' }
    ],
    __v: 0
  }
]
```

Mongo Relationships

One to Many / Approach 2

Store a reference to the child document inside parent

```
{
  _id: ObjectId("651d223314f1e136d6766e14"),
  name: 'Rahul Kumar',
  orders: [
    ObjectId("651d1e5a06e366283d3ae002"),
    ObjectId("651d1e5a06e366283d3ae003")
  ],
  __v: 0
}
```


Customers

↓
details

order



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cust 1 . orders . push (objectId)
└──
object
child
docs

```
const orderSchema = new Schema ({  
  item: String,  
  price: Number,  
})
```

```
const Order = mongoose.model("Order",orderSchema);
```

```
const addorders = async()=>{  
  let res = await Order.insertMany([  
    {  
      item: "samosa",  
      price:12,  
    },  
    {  
      item: "Chips",  
      price: 10,  
    },  
    {  
      item: "Pizza",  
      price:40,  
    }  
  ])  
  console.log(res);  
}  
addorders();
```

```
ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node customer.js  
Connection Successful
```

```
[  
  {  
    item: 'samosa',  
    price: 12,  
    _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e63'),  
    __v: 0  
  },  
  {  
    item: 'Chips',  
    price: 10,  
    _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e64'),  
    __v: 0  
  },  
  {  
    item: 'Pizza',  
    price: 40,  
    _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e65'),  
    __v: 0  
  }  
]
```

```
const customerSchema = new Schema ({
  name:String,
  orders: [
    {
      type: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
      ref: "Order"
    }
  ]
})

const Customer = mongoose.model("Customer",customerSchema)

const addcustomer = async ()=>{
  let cust1 = new Customer({
    name: "Rahul Kumar",
  });
  let order1 = await Order.findOne({item:"Chips"});
  let order2 = await Order.findOne({item:"Pizza"});
  cust1.orders.push(order1);
  cust1.orders.push(order2);
  let res = await cust1.save();
  console.log(res);
}

addcustomer();
```

```
ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node customer.js  
Connection Successful
```

```
{  
  name: 'Rahul Kumar',  
  orders: [  
    {  
      item: 'Chips',  
      price: 10,  
      _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e64'),  
      __v: 0  
    },  
    {  
      item: 'Pizza',  
      price: 40,  
      _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e65'),  
      __v: 0  
    }  
  ],  
  _id: new ObjectId('67135abb433f016a17d984a3'),  
  __v: 0  
}
```

```
let result = await Customer.find({});  
console.log(result);|
```


shradhaknapi@Shradhas-MacBook-Air: Models % node custom
connection successful

```
[  
  {  
    _id: new ObjectId("651daf4f61c79b677168fed5"),  
    name: 'Rahul Kumar',  
    orders: [  
      new ObjectId("651dad4e8d686b18db6e14ce"),  
      new ObjectId("651dad4e8d686b18db6e14cf")  
    ],  
    __v: 0  
  }  
]
```

Populate



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Learn More

MongoDB has the join-like `$lookup` aggregation operator in versions `>= 3.2`. Mongoose has a more powerful alternative called `populate()`, which lets you reference documents in other collections.

Population is the process of automatically replacing the specified paths in the document with document(s) from other collection(s). We may populate a single document, multiple documents, a plain object, multiple plain objects, or all objects returned from a query. Let's look at some examples.

```
const mongoose = require('mongoose');
const { Schema } = mongoose;

const personSchema = Schema({
  _id: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
  name: String,
  age: Number,
  stories: [{ type: Schema.Types.ObjectId, ref: 'Story' }]
});

const storySchema = Schema({
  author: { type: Schema.Types.ObjectId, ref: 'Person' },
  title: String,
  fans: [{ type: Schema.Types.ObjectId, ref: 'Person' }]
});

const Story = mongoose.model('Story', storySchema);
const Person = mongoose.model('Person', personSchema);
```

So far we've created two Models. Our `Person` model has its `stories` field set to an array of `ObjectId`s. The option is what tells Mongoose which model to use during population, in our case the `Story` model. All `_id`s store here must be document `_id`s from the `Story` model.

Population

So far we haven't done anything much different. We've merely created a `Person` and a `Story`. Now let's take a look at populating our story's `author` using the query builder:

```
const story = await Story.  
  findOne({ title: 'Casino Royale' }).  
  populate('author').  
  exec();  
// prints "The author is Ian Fleming"  
console.log('The author is %s', story.author.name);
```

Populated paths are no longer set to their original `_id`, their value is replaced with the mongoose document returned from the database by performing a separate query before returning the results.

Arrays of refs work the same way. Just call the `populate` method on the query and an array of documents will be returned *in place* of the original `_id`s.

```
const customerSchema = new Schema ({
  name:String,
  orders: [
    {
      type: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
      ref: "Order"
    }
  ]
})

const Customer = mongoose.model("Customer",customerSchema)

const findCustomer = async()=>{
  let result = await Customer.find({}).populate("orders");
  console.log(result)
}

findCustomer();
```

```
ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node customer.js
Connection Successful
[
  {
    _id: new ObjectId('67135abb433f016a17d984a3'),
    name: 'Rahul Kumar',
    orders: [ [Object], [Object] ],
    __v: 0
  }
]
```

```
const customerSchema = new Schema ({
  name:String,
  orders: [
    {
      type: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
      ref: "Order"
    }
  ]
})

const Customer = mongoose.model("Customer",customerSchema)

const findCustomer = async()=>{
  let result = await Customer.find({}).populate("orders");
  console.log(result[0])
}

findCustomer();
```

```
ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node customer.js  
Connection Successful
```

```
{  
  _id: new ObjectId('67135abb433f016a17d984a3'),  
  name: 'Rahul Kumar',  
  orders: [  
    {  
      _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e64'),  
      item: 'Chips',  
      price: 10,  
      __v: 0  
    },  
    {  
      _id: new ObjectId('6713570f0a82561d86315e65'),  
      item: 'Pizza',  
      price: 40,  
      __v: 0  
    }  
  ],  
  __v: 0  
}
```


Mongo Relationships

One to Many / Approach 3 (one to squillions)

Store a reference to the parent document inside child

```
{
  _id: ObjectId("651d27deaadf315de08b7fa9"),
  content: 'Hello World!',
  likes: 7,
  user: ObjectId("651d27deaadf315de08b7fa8"),
  __v: 0
},
{
  _id: ObjectId("651d2852f213f39556fddeea"),
  content: 'Bye Bye',
  likes: 23,
  user: ObjectId("651d27deaadf315de08b7fa8"),
  __v: 0
}
```


Instagram

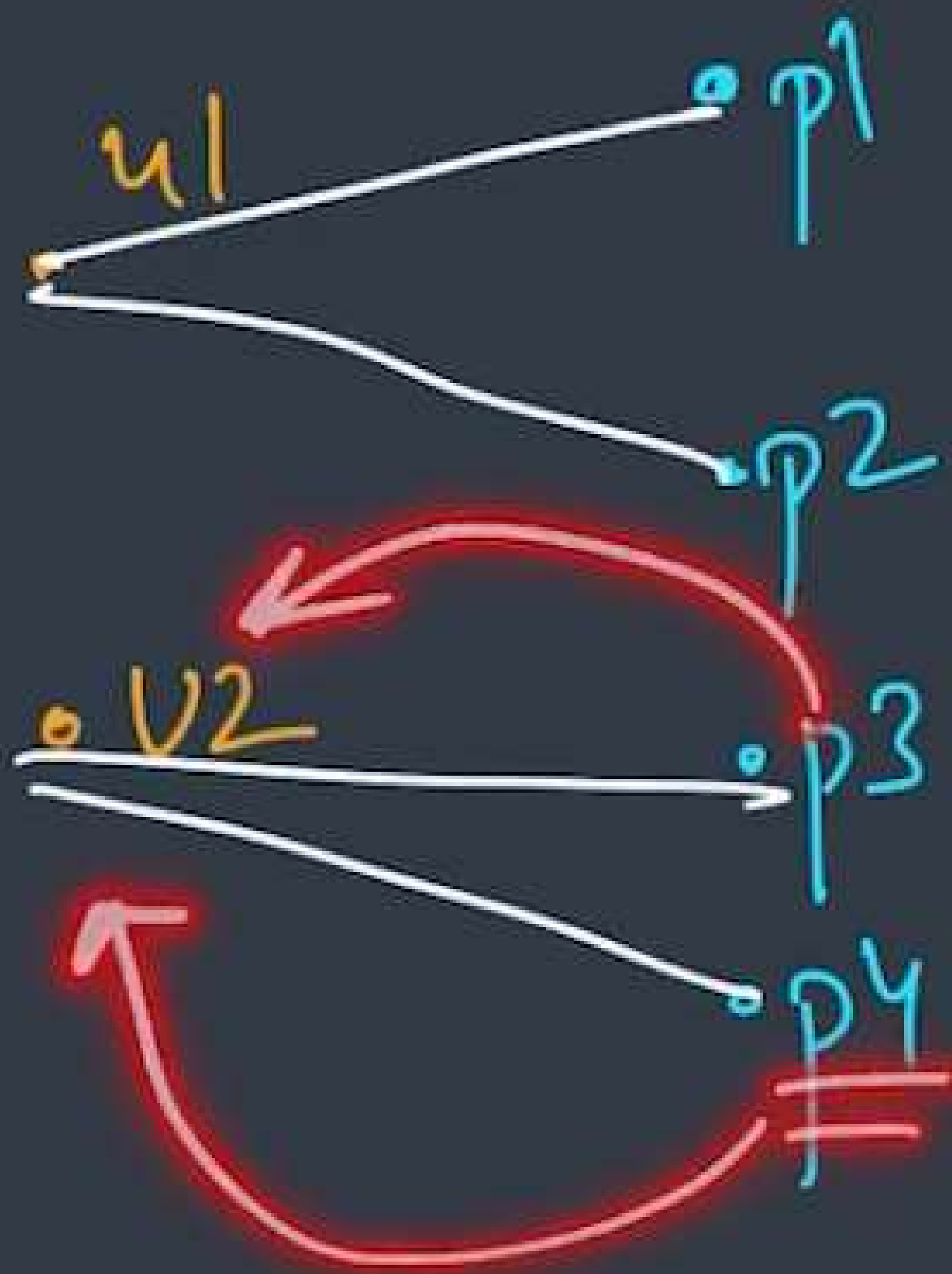
user

posts

e child

par
childref

child
par ref



```
2  const {Schema} = mongoose;
3  async function main(){
4      await mongoose.connect("mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/relationDemo")
5  }
6  main()
7      .then(() => console.log("Connection Successful"))
8      .catch((err) => console.log(err))
9
10 const userSchema = new Schema ({
11     username: String,
12     email: String,
13 })
14
15 const postSchema = new Schema ({
16     content: String,
17     likes: Number,
18     user: {
19         type: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
20         ref: "User"
21     }
22 })
23
24 const User = mongoose.model("User",userSchema)
25 const Post = mongoose.model("Post",postSchema)
26
27 const addData = async()=>{
28     let User1 = new User({
29         username: "John",
30         email: "john@gmail.com"
31     })
32
33     let post1 = new Post({
34         content: "Hello World",
35         likes: 5,
36     })
37
38     post1.user = User1;
39     let res = await User1.save();
40     console.log(res);
41     await post1.save();
42 }
43 addData();
```

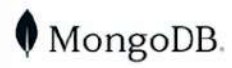
```
ashugoyal@Ashus-MacBook-Air models % node posts.js
Connection Successful
{
  username: 'John',
  email: 'john@gmail.com',
  _id: new ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a61f'),
  __v: 0
}
```

```
const addData = async()=>{  
  let user = await User.findOne({username: "John"})  
  
  let post2 = new Post({  
    content: "Bye Bye :)",  
    likes: 10,  
  })  
  
  post2.user = user;  
  await post2.save();  
}  
addData();
```

```
[relationDemo> show collections
customers
orders
posts
users
```

```
[relationDemo> db.posts.find()
[
  {
    _id: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a620'),
    content: 'Hello World',
    likes: 5,
    user: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a61f'),
    __v: 0
  },
  {
    _id: ObjectId('67136310b6359080b99f3159'),
    content: 'Bye Bye :)',
    likes: 10,
    user: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a61f'),
    __v: 0
  }
]
```

```
]
[relationDemo> db.posts.find()
[
  {
    _id: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a620'),
    content: 'Hello World',
    likes: 5,
    user: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a61f'),
    __v: 0
  },
  {
    _id: ObjectId('67136310b6359080b99f3159'),
    content: 'Bye Bye :)',
    likes: 10,
    user: ObjectId('67136160c41d987a4b17a61f'),
    __v: 0
  }
]
```

6 Rules of Thumb for MongoDB Schema Design

Try MongoDB Atlas for Free Today



William Zola
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[#Atlas](#)

"I have lots of experience with SQL and normalized databases, but I'm just a beginner

Basics: Modeling one-to-few

An example of “one-to-few” might be the addresses for a person. This is a good use case for embedding. You’d put the addresses in an array inside of your Person object:

```
> db.person.findOne()  
{  
  name: 'Kate Monster',  
  ssn: '123-456-7890',  
  addresses : [  
    { street: '123 Sesame St', city: 'Anytown', cc: 'USA' },  
    { street: '123 Avenue Q', city: 'New York', cc: 'USA' }  
  ]  
}
```

This design has all of the advantages and disadvantages of embedding. The main advantage is that you don’t have to perform a separate query to get the embedded details; the main disadvantage is that you have no way of accessing the embedded details as stand-alone entities.

Basics: One-to-squillions

An example of “one-to-squillions” might be an event logging system that collects log messages for different machines. Any given host could generate enough messages to overflow the 16 MB document size, even if all you stored in the array was the `ObjectID`. This is the classic use case for “parent-referencing.” You’d have a document for the host, and then store the `ObjectID` of the host in the documents for the log messages.

```
> db.hosts.findOne()
{
  _id : ObjectID('AAAB'),
  name : 'goofy.example.com',
  ipaddr : '127.66.66.66'
}

>db.logmsg.findOne()
{
  time : ISODate("2014-03-28T09:42:41.382Z"),
  message : 'cpu is on fire!',
  host: ObjectID('AAAB')      // Reference to the Host document
}
```

Here are some “rules of thumb” to guide you through these innumerable (but not infinite) choices:

- **One:** Favor embedding unless there is a compelling reason not to.
- **Two:** Needing to access an object on its own is a compelling reason not to embed it.
- **Three:** Arrays should not grow without bound. If there are more than a couple of hundred documents on the “many” side, don’t embed them; if there are more than a few thousand documents on the “many” side, don’t use an array of ObjectID references. High-cardinality arrays are a compelling reason not to embed.
- **Four:** Don’t be afraid of application-level joins: If you index correctly and use the projection specifier, then application-level joins are barely more expensive than server-side joins in a relational database.
- **Five:** Consider the read-to-write ratio with denormalization. A field that will mostly be read and only seldom updated is a good candidate for denormalization. If you denormalize a field that is updated frequently then the extra work of finding and updating all the instances of redundant data is likely to overwhelm the savings that you get from denormalization.
- **Six:** As always with MongoDB, how you model your data depends entirely on your particular application’s data access patterns. You want to structure your data to match the ways that your application queries and updates it.

array

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one to many

< 1000 : embed

> 1000 : array objId references

> 10000 : parent

denormalization

↓
storing copy / duplicate

