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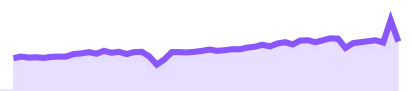
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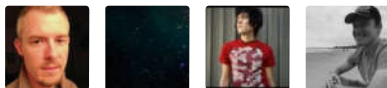
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Documentation

The official documentation website is mongoosejs.com.

Mongoose 5.0.0 was released on January 17, 2018. You can find more details on [backwards breaking changes in 5.0.0 on our docs site](#).

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Installation

First install **Node.js** and **MongoDB**. Then:

```
$ npm install mongoose
```

Importing

```
// Using Node.js `require()`  
const mongoose = require('mongoose');
```

```
// Using ES6 imports  
import mongoose from 'mongoose';
```

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Overview

Connecting to MongoDB

First, we need to define a connection. If your app uses only one database, you should use `mongoose.connect`. If you need to create additional connections, use `mongoose.createConnection`.

Both `connect` and `createConnection` take a `mongodb://` URI, or the parameters `host`, `database`, `port`, `options`.

```
await mongoose.connect('mongodb://localhost/my_database', {  
  useNewUrlParser: true,  
  useUnifiedTopology: true  
});
```

Once connected, the `open` event is fired on the `Connection` instance. If you're using `mongoose.connect`, the `Connection` is `mongoose.connection`. Otherwise, `mongoose.createConnection` return value is a `Connection`.

Note: *If the local connection fails then try using 127.0.0.1 instead of localhost. Sometimes issues may arise when the local hostname has been changed.*

Important! Mongoose buffers all the commands until it's connected to the database. This means that you don't have to wait until it connects to MongoDB in order to define models, run queries, etc.

Defining a Model

Models are defined through the `Schema` interface.

```
const Schema = mongoose.Schema;
const ObjectId = Schema.ObjectId;

const BlogPost = new Schema({
  author: ObjectId,
  title: String,
  body: String,
  date: Date
});
```

Aside from defining the structure of your documents and the types of data you're storing, a Schema handles the definition of:

- **Validators** (async and sync)
- **Defaults**
- **Getters**
- **Setters**
- **Indexes**
- **Middleware**
- **Methods** definition
- **Statics** definition
- **Plugins**
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The following example shows some of these features:

```
const Comment = new Schema({
```

```
name: { type: String, default: 'hahaha' },
age: { type: Number, min: 18, index: true },
bio: { type: String, match: /[a-z]/ },
date: { type: Date, default: Date.now },
buff: Buffer
});

// a setter
Comment.path('name').set(function (v) {
  return capitalize(v);
});

// middleware
Comment.pre('save', function (next) {
  notify(this.get('email'));
  next();
});
```

Take a look at the example in [examples/schema/schema.js](#) for an end-to-end example of a typical setup.

Accessing a Model

Once we define a model through `mongoose.model('modelName', mySchema)`, we can access it through the same function

```
const MyModel = mongoose.model('modelName');
```

Or just do it all at once

```
const MyModel = mongoose.model('modelName', mySchema);
```

The first argument is the *singular* name of the collection your model is for. **Mongoose automatically looks for the *plural* version of your model name.** For example, if you use

```
const MyModel = mongoose.model('Ticket', mySchema);
```

Then Mongoose will create the model for your **tickets** collection, not your **ticket** collection.

Once we have our model, we can then instantiate it, and save it:

```
const instance = new MyModel();
instance.my.key = 'hello';
instance.save(function (err) {
  //
});
```

Or we can find documents from the same collection

```
MyModel.find({}, function (err, docs) {
  // docs.forEach
});
```

You can also `findOne`, `findById`, `update`, etc.

```
const instance = await MyModel.findOne({ ... });
console.log(instance.my.key); // 'hello'
```

For more details check out **the docs**.

Important! If you opened a separate connection using `mongoose.createConnection()` but attempt to access the model through `mongoose.model('ModelName')` it will not work as expected since it is not hooked up to an active db connection. In this case access your model through the connection you created:

```
const conn = mongoose.createConnection('your connection string');
const MyModel = conn.model('ModelName', schema);
const m = new MyModel;
m.save(); // works
```

VS

```
const conn = mongoose.createConnection('your connection string');
const MyModel = mongoose.model('ModelName', schema);
const m = new MyModel;
m.save(); // does not work b/c the default connection object was new
```

Embedded Documents

In the first example snippet, we defined a key in the Schema that looks like:

```
comments: [Comment]
```

Where `Comment` is a Schema we created. This means that creating embedded documents is as simple as:

```
// retrieve my model
const BlogPost = mongoose.model('BlogPost');

// create a blog post
const post = new BlogPost();

// create a comment
post.comments.push({ title: 'My comment' });

post.save(function (err) {
  if (!err) console.log('Success!');
});
```

The same goes for removing them:

```
BlogPost.findById(myId, function (err, post) {
  if (!err) {
    post.comments[0].remove();
    post.save(function (err) {
      // do something
    });
  }
})
```



```
});
```

Embedded documents enjoy all the same features as your models. Defaults, validators, middleware. Whenever an error occurs, it's bubbled to the `save()` error callback, so error handling is a snap!

Middleware

See the [docs](#) page.

Intercepting and mutating method arguments

You can intercept method arguments via middleware.

For example, this would allow you to broadcast changes about your Documents every time someone `set`s a path in your Document to a new value:

```
schema.pre('set', function (next, path, val, type1) {  
  // `this` is the current Document  
  this.emit('set', path, val);  
  
  // Pass control to the next pre  
  next();  
});
```

Moreover, you can mutate the incoming method arguments so that subsequent middleware see different values for those arguments. To do so, just pass the new values to `next`:

```
.pre(method, function firstPre (next, methodArg1, methodArg2) {  
  // Mutate methodArg1  
  next("altered-" + methodArg1.toString(), methodArg2);  
});  
  
// pre declaration is chainable  
.pre(method, function secondPre (next, methodArg1, methodArg2) {  
  console.log(methodArg1);  
  // => 'altered-originalValOfMethodArg1'
```

```

console.log(methodArg2);
// => 'originalValOfMethodArg2'

// Passing no arguments to `next` automatically passes along the `this`
// i.e., the following `next()` is equivalent to `next(methodArg1, methodArg2)`
// and also equivalent to, with the example method arg values, `next('altered-originalValOfMethodArg1', 'originalValOfMethodArg2')`
next();
});

```

Schema gotcha

`type`, when used in a schema has special meaning within Mongoose. If your schema requires using `type` as a nested property you must use object notation:

```

new Schema({
  broken: { type: Boolean },
  asset: {
    name: String,
    type: String // uh oh, it broke. asset will be interpreted as String
  }
});

```

```

new Schema({
  works: { type: Boolean },
  asset: {
    name: String,
    type: { type: String } // works. asset is an object with a type
  }
});

```

Driver Access

Mongoose is built on top of the **official MongoDB Node.js driver**. Each mongoose model keeps a reference to a **native MongoDB driver collection**. The collection object can be accessed using `YourModel.collection`. However, using the collection object directly bypasses all mongoose features, including hooks, validation, etc. The one notable

exception that `YourModel.collection` still buffers commands. As such, `YourModel.collection.find()` will **not** return a cursor.

API Docs

Find the API docs [here](#), generated using [dox](#) and [acquit](#).

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