

# University of Colombo School of Computing SCS 2208 - Rapid Application Development

Lab Sheet 11

#### **Basic Commands in MongoDB**

- 1. How to show the databases present
  - show dbs
- 2. How to create a database
  - use [name of database]
    Example: use users
- 3. How to check the current database
  - *db*
- 4. How to create a collection
  - db.createCollection("[name of collection]")
    Example: db.createCollection("customer")
- 5. How to show collections
  - show collections
- 6. How to Delete a collection
  - db.<collection name>.drop()
    Example: db.customer.drop()
- 7. How to insert a document into a collection
  - db.<collection>.insertOne(document, [writeConcern])
     Example: db.users.insertOne({ name: "Lakshitha", gender: "M"})
- 8. How to show all documents in a collection
  - db.[collection Name].find() or db.[collection name].find().pretty() for a well indented list.

Example: db.customer.find().pretty()

### How to create a simple form using MERN?

1. Set up your Express.js project:

If you haven't already, create a new directory for your project and initialize it with npm:

```
mkdir express-mongodb-form
cd express-mongodb-form
npm init -y
```

Install the necessary dependencies:

```
npm install express mongoose body-parser
```

2. Create your Express.js application:

Create an **app.js** file and set up your Express application with middleware for handling requests and connecting to the MongoDB database:

```
// app.js
const express = require('express');
const mongoose = require('mongoose');
const bodyParser = require('body-parser');

const app = express();
const port = process.env.PORT [| 3000;

// MongoDB connection
mongoose.connect('mongodb://localhost/your_database_name', {
    useNewUrlParser: true,
    useUnifiedTopology: true,
});
const db = mongoose.connection;

db.on('error', (error) => console.error('MongoDB connection error:', error)
db.once('open', () => console.log('Connected to MongoDB'));
```

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// Middleware
app.use(bodyParser.urlencoded({ extended: true }));
// Define a MongoDB schema and model for your form data
const FormData = mongoose.model('FormData', {
 message: String,
});
// Routes
app.get('/', (req, res) => {
  // Render an HTML form
 res.send(
   <form action="/submit" method="post">
      <input type="text" name="message" placeholder="Enter your message">
  `);
});
app.post('/submit', (req, res) => {
 const { message } = req.body;
```

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// Create a new instance of the FormData model
  const formData = new FormData({ message });
  // Save the submitted data to MongoDB
  formData.save((err) => {
   if (err) {
      console.error('Error saving form data:', err);
     res.send('Error saving form data');
   } else {
      console.log('Form data saved successfully');
      res.send('Form data saved successfully');
  });
});
// Start the server
app.listen(port, () => {
  console.log(`Server is running on port ${port}`);
});
```

- Replace 'mongodb://localhost/your\_database\_name' with your actual MongoDB connection string and customize the form according to your needs.
- 4. Start your Express.js application:

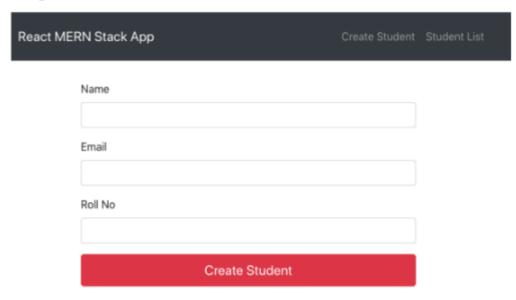
```
node app.js
```

 Access your application in a web browser at http://localhost:3000/. You should see a simple form with a text input field. You can enter text and submit it to save the data in your MongoDB database

## Activity

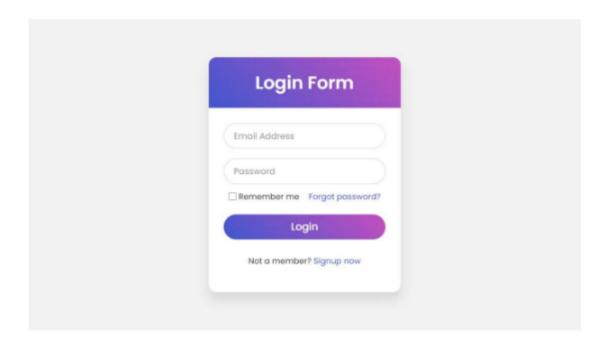
1. Develop a React MERN Stack App to store the details of your Second Year Group Project team members. You are encouraged to develop the design according to your creativity.

#### Example UI:



Reference: <a href="https://www.positronx.io/react-mern-stack-crud-app-tutorial/">https://www.positronx.io/react-mern-stack-crud-app-tutorial/</a>

https://www.scaler.com/topics/nodejs/connect-mongodb-with-node-js/



- a) Create a login form for a Node application using Passport.js.
- b) Use the session authentication strategy with Passport.js.
- c) Connect **Passport** to a **MongoDB** database to store user data.
- d) Authorize only logged-in users to access a page.