

# MONGODB



*a NoSQL, document-oriented database*

# DATABASES

organized collections of data

# *Database Models*

# NAVIGATIONAL

1960s

linked list of free-form records

hash on a primary key, linearly  
scan through a linked list

# RELATIONAL, SQL

1970s

split data into a series of  
**normalized** tables

use **joins** to combine data in  
different tables together

2000s

*Not only Sql* NoSQL



fast key-value stores and document-oriented databases (JSON, XML)

do not require fixed table schemas, no support for joins

scale horizontally

*Mongo*

*SQL*

Databases

Tables

Rows



Databases

*Tables*



Collections

*Rows*



Documents

# MONGO DOCUMENTS

documents are JSON-like

stored as BSON

documents must be smaller than  
16MB

Both of these documents can be  
stored in the same collection

```
{"type": "llama", height: 1.8}
```

```
{"type": "camel", height: 2.2, humps: 2}
```

*Why have separate collections?*

developers aren't confused

query efficiency

data locality

indexing (defined per collections)

# *Data Types*

# BASIC TYPES

JSON: null, boolean, number, string, array, and object

MongoDB: null, boolean, number, string, array, **date, regex, embedded document, object id, binary data, code**

# EMBEDDED DOCUMENTS

```
{  
  "type": "llama",  
  "name": "Francesca",  
  "height": 1.8,  
  "farm": {  
    "name": "Silver Lake",  
    "owner": "Goldilocks"  
  }  
}
```

# OBJECTIDS

Every document must have an `"_id"` key

Every document in a collection must have a unique `"_id"` key

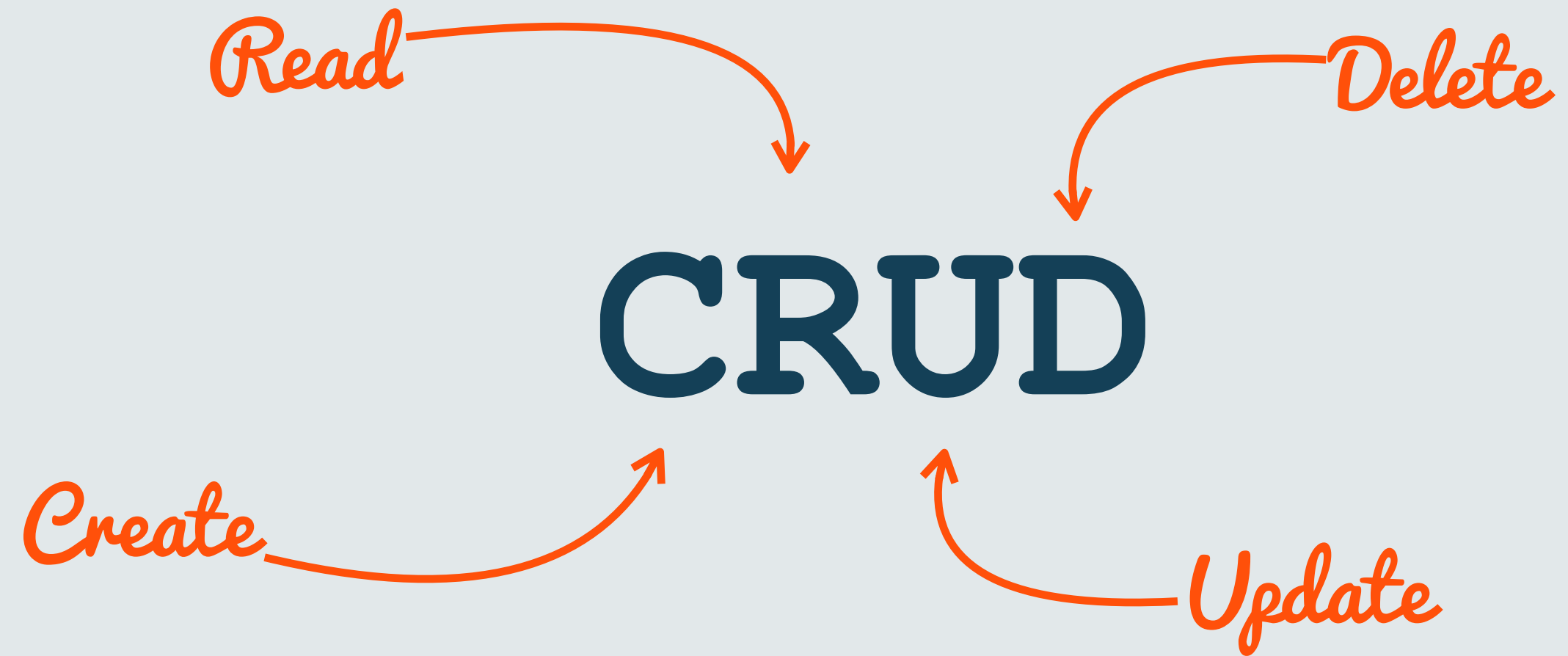
ObjectId is the default type for `"_id"`



# OBJECTIDS

0-3	4-6	7-8	9-11
Timestamp	Machine	PID	Increment

*~17M unique ObjectIds per process per second*



# Create

```
> llama = {  
  "type": "llama",  
  "name": "Francesca",  
  "height": 1.8,  
  "date" : new Date()  
}  
  
> db.camelids.insert(llama);
```

# Read

```
> db.camelids.findOne()
```

```
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("54fda10dd452eebae749a0b8"),  
  "type" : "llama",  
  "name" : "Francesca",  
  "height" : 1.8,  
  "date" : ISODate("2015-03-09T13:32:43.737Z")  
}
```

# Update

```
> llama.diet = ["grass", "hay"]
```

```
> db.camelids.update({"type" :  
"llama"}, llama)
```

*Update*

```
> db.camelids.findOne()
```

```
{
  "_id" : ObjectId("54fda10dd452eebae749a0b8"),
  "type" : "llama",
  "name" : "Francesca",
  "height" : 1.8,
  "date" : ISODate("2015-03-09T13:32:43.737Z"),
  "diet" : [
    "grass",
    "hay"
  ]
}
```

# Delete

```
> db.camelids.remove()  
> db.camelids.remove({type : "llama"})  
> db.camelids.drop()
```

*Update Modifiers*



# Update

```
> llama.diet = ["grass", "hay"]
```

```
> db.camelids.update({"type" : "llama"},  
llama)
```

```
> db.camelids.update({"type" : "llama"},  
{"name": "maria"})
```

 What does this do?

*Update*

```
> db.camelids.findOne()
```

```
{ "_id" : ObjectId("54fda10dd452eebae749a0b8") ,  
  "name" : "maria" }
```

Use **update modifiers** to update portions of a document

```
> db.camelids.update({"type" : "llama"},  
{"$set": {"name": "maria"}})
```

```
> db.camelids.findOne()  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("54fda779d452eebae749a0ba"),  
  "date" : ISODate("2015-03-09T14:00:22.530Z"),  
  "height" : 1.8,  
  "name" : "maria",  
  "type" : "llama"  
}
```

Use **update modifiers** to update portions of a document

```
> db.camelids.update({"type" : "llama"},  
{"$inc": {"height": 0.2}})
```

```
> db.camelids.findOne()  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("54fda779d452eebae749a0ba"),  
  "date" : ISODate("2015-03-09T14:00:22.530Z"),  
  "height" : 2,  
  "name" : "maria",  
  "type" : "llama"  
}
```

# *Array Modifiers*

\$push, \$pop, \$pull

\$each

\$sort, \$slice

\$ne/\$push, \$addToSet/\$each

positional access

*Queries and \$-Conditionals*

# QUERYING IN MONGO

`find()` & `findOne()`

`$-conditionals`

queries return db cursor that lazily  
returns batches of documents

# Basic Queries

```
> db.camelids.find()  
> db.camelids.find({"type" : "llama"})  
> db.camelids.find({"type" : "llama", "name" :  
"Francesca"})  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("54fda10dd452eebae749a0b8"),  
  "type" : "llama",  
  "name" : "Francesca",  
  "height" : 1.8,  
  "date" : ISODate("2015-03-09T13:32:43.737Z")  
}
```



*Specify which keys to return*

```
> db.camelids.findOne({ "type": "llama" },  
  { "_id": 0, "name": 1 })
```

```
{ "name" : "maria" }
```

# *\$-Conditionals*

```
> db.camelids.findOne({ "height": { "$lte"  
: 1.5, "$gte" : 1.2}})
```

```
> db.camelids.findOne({ "type" :  
{ "$in" : ["llama", "alpaca"]}})
```

```
> db.camelids.find({ "$or" : [{ "type" :  
"alpaca" }, { "name" : "Francesca" } ]})
```

# *Schema Design*

# ONE-TO-FEW

```
> 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' }  
  ]  
}
```

embedded document

# ONE-TO-MANY

```
> db.parts.findOne()
```

```
{
```

```
  _id : ObjectId('AAAA'),
```

```
  partno : '123-aff-456',
```

```
  name : '#4 grommet',
```

```
  qty: 94,
```

```
  cost: 0.94,
```

```
  price: 3.99
```

```
}
```

each **part** has own document

# ONE-TO-MANY

```
> db.products.findOne()
```

```
{
```

```
  name : 'left-handed smoke shifter',
```

```
  manufacturer : 'Acme Corp',
```

```
  catalog_number: 1234,
```

```
  parts : [
```

```
    ObjectID('AAAA'),
```

```
    ObjectID('F17C'),
```

```
    ObjectID('D2AA'),
```

```
    // etc
```

```
]
```

array of references to **part** documents

# ONE-TO-MANY

```
> product =  
db.products.findOne({catalog_number: 1234});  
  
> product_parts = db.parts.find({_id:  
{ $in : product.parts } }).toArray();
```

application-level join

# ONE-TO-GAZILLION

```
> 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')  
}
```

parent-referencing



# ONE-TO-GAZILLION

```
> host = db.hosts.findOne({ipaddr :  
'127.66.66.66'});
```

```
> last_5k_msg = db.logmsg.find({host:  
host._id}).sort({time :  
-1}).limit(5000).toArray()
```

application-level join

# TWO-WAY REFERENCING

```
db.person.findOne()  
{  
  _id: ObjectID("AAF1"),  
  name: "Kate Monster",  
  tasks: [  
    ObjectID("ADF9"),  
    ObjectID("AE02"),  
    ObjectID("AE73")  
    // etc  
  ]  
}
```

array of references to **task** documents

# TWO-WAY REFERENCING

```
db.tasks.findOne()  
{  
  _id: ObjectId("ADF9"),  
  description: "Write lesson plan",  
  due_date:   ISODate("2014-04-01"),  
  owner: ObjectId("AAF1")  
}
```

reference to **person** document

# DENORMALIZING MANY-TO-ONE

```
> db.products.findOne()  
{  
  name : 'left-handed smoke shifter',  
  manufacturer : 'Acme Corp',  
  catalog_number: 1234,  
  parts : [  
    { id : ObjectID('AAAA'), name : '#4 grommet' },  
    { id: ObjectID('F17C'), name : 'fan blade assembly' },  
    { id: ObjectID('D2AA'), name : 'power switch' },  
    // etc  
  ]  
}
```

no join required to list **part** names

# DENORMALIZING MANY-TO-ONE

```
> product = db.products.findOne({catalog_number:
1234});

> part_ids = product.parts.map( function(doc)
{ return doc.id } );    a little more work to application-level join

> product_parts = db.parts.find({_id: { $in :
part_ids } } ).toArray();
```

# DENORMALIZING ONE-TO-MANY

```
> db.parts.findOne()  
{  
  _id : ObjectId('AAAA'),  
  partno : '123-aff-456',  
  name : '#4 grommet',  
  product_name : 'left-handed smoke shifter',  
  product_catalog_number: 1234,  
  qty: 94,  
  cost: 0.94,  
  price: 3.99  
}
```

# STRUCTURING DATA

For “one-to-few”, you can use an array of embedded documents

For “one-to-many”, or on occasions when the “N” side must stand alone, you should use an array of references. You can also use a “parent-reference” on the “N” side if it optimizes your data access pattern

For “one-to-squillions”, you should use a “parent-reference” in the document storing the “N” side

# CONSIDERATIONS

What is the cardinality of the relationship: is it “one-to-few”, “one-to-many”, or “one-to-squillions”?

Do you need to access the object on the “N” side separately, or only in the context of the parent object?

What is the ratio of updates to reads for a particular field?



# RULES OF THUMB

favor embedding unless there is a compelling reason not to

needing to access an object on its own is a compelling reason not to embed it

high-cardinality arrays are a compelling reason not to embed

# RULES OF THUMB

if you index correctly and use the projection specifier, application-level joins are barely more expensive than server-side joins in a relational database.

consider the write/read ratio when denormalizing

model your data according to application's data access patterns

# NEXT CLASS: RESTFUL APIs

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