

Reading Documents

1. Reading all documents in a collection.

- a. All documents in a collection can be read using the **find()** function.

- i. **Syntax**

- ```
db.<collection_name>.find()
```

- ii. **Example**

- ```
db.user.find()
```

- b. Read all documents in a collection that match a provided query.

- i. **Syntax**

- ```
db.<collection_name>.find(<query_expression>)
```

- ii. **Example**

- ```
db.user.find({name:"Raj"})
```

- c. Print documents in a more comprehensive manner using **pretty()** function.

- i. **Syntax**

- ```
db.<collection>.find(<query_expression>).pretty()
```

- ii. **Example**

- ```
db.user.find({name:"Raj"}).pretty()
```

2. Reading a single document in a collection.

- a. Read a single document from a collection using **findOne()** function.
- b. Returns the first document according to the order in which the records are in the disk.

- i. **Syntax**

- ```
db.<collection_name>.findOne()
```

- ii. **Example**

- ```
db.user.findOne()
```

- c. Read a single document out of all documents that matches a provided condition.

- i. **Syntax**

```
db.<collection_name>.findOne(<query_expression>)
```

ii. **Example**

```
db.user.findOne({emp_id:1, name:"Alice"})
```

- d. The **pretty()** function does not work with **findOne()**.