

# Do/Don't

- Do **retrieve selected elements only**  
rather than retrieving an entire collection and filtering afterwards
- Do **define primary keys**  
rather than relying on auto-generated ones
- Do **split data into different collections**  
rather than storing list attributes
- Do **create join collections** whenever appropriate  
(only for NoSQL database without performant join feature)

# Retrieving collections with paginated results

- ➡ Only retrieve what you need from a potentially large collection

## Examples

```
GET /messages[?page=0]
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```
GET /messages?page=1
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```
GET /messages[?max=100]
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```
GET /messages?max=20
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