

# MongoDB Comprehensive Guide

## Database and Collection/Schema

Concept	MongoDB	SQL	Explanation
Database	Database	Database	Both refer to a logical container for collections or tables. A MongoDB instance can host multiple databases, similar to an SQL server.
Row	Document	Row (or Record)	A document in MongoDB is a set of key-value pairs, equivalent to a row in SQL, which consists of columns.
Table	Collection	Table	In MongoDB, a collection is a group of documents. In SQL, a table is a group of rows. Both serve as the primary storage unit.
Column	Field	Column	Fields in MongoDB documents are similar to columns in SQL tables, representing individual data attributes.
Primary Key	<code>_id</code> field	Primary Key	In MongoDB, each document has a unique <code>_id</code> field by default. In SQL, a primary key uniquely identifies each row.

## Data Operations

Operation	MongoDB	SQL	Explanation
Insert Data	<code>insertOne</code> , <code>insertMany</code>	<code>INSERT INTO</code>	MongoDB uses <code>insertOne</code> and <code>insertMany</code> to add documents. SQL uses <code>INSERT INTO</code> to add rows to a table.
Read Data	<code>find</code> , <code>findOne</code>	<code>SELECT</code>	MongoDB uses <code>find</code> and <code>findOne</code> to retrieve documents. SQL uses <code>SELECT</code> to retrieve rows.
Update Data	<code>updateOne</code> , <code>updateMany</code>	<code>UPDATE</code>	MongoDB uses <code>updateOne</code> and <code>updateMany</code> to modify documents. SQL uses <code>UPDATE</code> to modify rows.
Delete Data	<code>deleteOne</code> , <code>deleteMany</code>	<code>DELETE</code>	MongoDB uses <code>deleteOne</code> and <code>deleteMany</code> to remove documents. SQL uses <code>DELETE</code> to remove rows.

## Connecting to the Database

### SQL:

```
-- Connect to the SQL server and select the database
-- Assuming using SQL commands in a script or via a client interface
USE my_database;
```

### MongoDB:

```
from pymongo import MongoClient

# Connect to the MongoDB server
client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")

# Select the database
db = client.my_database

# Select the collection
collection = db.my_collection
```

## Inserting Data

### SQL:

```
-- Insert data into the table
INSERT INTO my_collection (name, age, city) VALUES ('Alice', 25, 'New York');
```

```
INSERT INTO my_collection (name, age, city) VALUES ('Bob', 30, 'San Francisco');
INSERT INTO my_collection (name, age, city) VALUES ('Charlie', 35, 'Los Angeles');
```

#### MongoDB:

```
# Insert documents
collection.insert_one({"name": "Alice", "age": 25, "city": "New York"})
collection.insert_many([
    {"name": "Bob", "age": 30, "city": "San Francisco"},
    {"name": "Charlie", "age": 35, "city": "Los Angeles"}
])
```

## Finding Data

#### SQL:

```
-- Select all documents
SELECT * FROM my_collection;

-- Select documents with age > 25
SELECT * FROM my_collection WHERE age > 25;

-- Select single document with name 'Alice'
SELECT * FROM my_collection WHERE name = 'Alice' LIMIT 1;
```

#### MongoDB:

```
# Find documents
print("All documents:")
for doc in collection.find():
    print(doc)

print("Documents with age > 25:")
for doc in collection.find({ "age": { "$gt": 25 } }):
    print(doc)

print("Single document with name Alice:")
print(collection.find_one({ "name": "Alice" }))
```

## MongoDB Query Operators

- `$lt` stands for "less than."
- `$gt` stands for "greater than."
- `$gte` stands for "greater than or equal to".
- `$lte` stands for "less than or equal to".

These operators are used within query documents to specify conditions for selecting documents from a collection.

### SQL Equivalents of `$gte` and `$lte`

In SQL, `>=` and `<=` are used to filter rows based on comparison conditions:

- `>=` means "greater than or equal to".
- `<=` means "less than or equal to".

### Using `$gte` and `$lte` in MongoDB

#### Example: Find Rows with Age Greater Than or Equal to 30

### SQL Query:

```
SELECT * FROM my_collection WHERE age >= 30;
```

Explanation:

- `WHERE age >= 30`: This condition selects rows where the `age` column is greater than or equal to 30. The `>=` operator is used to specify this condition.

### Example: Find Documents with Age Greater Than or Equal to 30

#### MongoDB Code:

```
# Find documents with age >= 30
for doc in collection.find({ "age": { "$gte": 30 } }):
    print(doc)
```

Explanation:

- `collection.find({ "age": { "$gte": 30 } })`: This query selects documents where the `age` field is greater than or equal to 30. The `$gte` operator is used within the query document to specify this condition.

### Example: Find Rows with Age Less Than or Equal to 30

#### SQL Query:

```
SELECT * FROM my_collection WHERE age <= 30;
```

Explanation:

- `WHERE age <= 30`: This condition selects rows where the `age` column is less than or equal to 30. The `<=` operator is used to specify this condition.

#### MongoDB Code:

```
# Find documents with age <= 30
for doc in collection.find({ "age": { "$lte": 30 } }):
    print(doc)
```

Explanation:

- `collection.find({ "age": { "$lte": 30 } })`: This query selects documents where the `age` field is less than or equal to 30. The `$lte` operator is used within the query document to specify this condition.

## Updating Data

#### SQL:

```
-- Update age of the document with name 'Alice'
UPDATE my_collection SET age = 26 WHERE name = 'Alice';

-- Update city for all documents where city is 'New York'
UPDATE my_collection SET city = 'Boston' WHERE city = 'New York';
```

#### MongoDB:

```
# Update documents
collection.update_one({ "name": "Alice" }, { "$set": { "age": 26 } })
collection.update_many({ "city": "New York" }, { "$set": { "city": "Boston" } })
```

## Deleting Data

#### SQL:

```
-- Delete document with name 'Charlie'
DELETE FROM my_collection WHERE name = 'Charlie';

-- Delete documents where age is less than 30
DELETE FROM my_collection WHERE age < 30;
```

### MongoDB:

```
# Delete documents
collection.delete_one({ "name": "Charlie" })
collection.delete_many({ "age": { "$lt": 30 } })
```

## Additional Find Operations

### SQL:

```
-- Select documents with age >= 25, only show name and city
SELECT name, city FROM my_collection WHERE age >= 25;

-- Select all documents, sorted by age in descending order
SELECT * FROM my_collection ORDER BY age DESC;

-- Select only 2 documents
SELECT * FROM my_collection LIMIT 2;

-- Select all documents, skip the first one (not all SQL dialects support OFFSET without LIMIT)
SELECT * FROM my_collection OFFSET 1;
```

### MongoDB:

```
# Additional find operations
print("Documents with projection:")
for doc in collection.find({ "age": { "$gte": 25 } }, { "name": 1, "city": 1, "_id": 0 }):
    print(doc)

print("Documents sorted by age:")
for doc in collection.find().sort("age", -1):
    print(doc)

print("Limited documents:")
for doc in collection.find().limit(2):
    print(doc)

print("Skipped first document:")
for doc in collection.find().skip(1):
    print(doc)
```

## Summary

- **Connecting to the Database:** MongoDB uses a `MongoClient` object, while SQL typically uses `USE` to select a database.
- **Inserting Data:** MongoDB uses `insert_one` and `insert_many`, whereas SQL uses `INSERT INTO`.
- **Finding Data:** MongoDB uses `find` and `find_one` with query dictionaries, while SQL uses `SELECT` with `WHERE` conditions.
- **Updating Data:** MongoDB uses `update_one` and `update_many` with `$set`, while SQL uses `UPDATE` with `SET`.
- **Deleting Data:** MongoDB uses `delete_one` and `delete_many`, while SQL uses `DELETE FROM`.

- **Additional Find Operations:** MongoDB provides various methods like `sort`, `limit`, and `skip` as part of its `find` operations, while SQL uses `ORDER BY`, `LIMIT`, and `OFFSET`.

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[Install MongoDB on windows 11 in Hindi \( Step by step \) - YouTube](#)

**Install `pymongo` in PyCharm terminal by typing the following:**

```
pip install pymongo
```

1. **Connect to MongoDB:**  
Connect to the MongoDB server and create the database and collections.
2. **Insert Data:**  
Insert the data into MongoDB collections.

## Project Example:

```
from pymongo import MongoClient

# Connect to the MongoDB server
client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")

# Create the database
db = client.video_platform

# Create the collections
channels_collection = db.channels
videos_collection = db.videos
playlists_collection = db.playlists
comments_collection = db.comments

# Insert data into Channels collection
channels = [
    {"channel_id": 1, "channel_name": "TechTalk", "description": "Technology and gadget reviews", "total_videos": 120, "subscribers": 1300000},
    {"channel_id": 2, "channel_name": "DailyVlogs", "description": "Daily life vlogs and travel", "total_videos": 250, "subscribers": 800000},
    {"channel_id": 3, "channel_name": "CookingWithLove", "description": "Delicious recipes and cooking tips", "total_videos": 300, "subscribers": 500000},
    {"channel_id": 4, "channel_name": "FitnessFirst", "description": "Workouts and fitness tips", "total_videos": 220, "subscribers": 750000},
    {"channel_id": 5, "channel_name": "TravelWithMe", "description": "Travel guides and tips", "total_videos": 180, "subscribers": 650000},
    {"channel_id": 6, "channel_name": "GameOn", "description": "Gaming reviews and walkthroughs", "total_videos": 150, "subscribers": 900000},
    {"channel_id": 7, "channel_name": "MusicMania", "description": "Music reviews and tutorials", "total_videos": 110, "subscribers": 400000},
    {"channel_id": 8, "channel_name": "AutoWorld", "description": "Automobile reviews and news", "total_videos": 200, "subscribers": 850000},
    {"channel_id": 9, "channel_name": "FashionFrenzy", "description": "Fashion and beauty tips", "total_videos": 170, "subscribers": 550000},
    {"channel_id": 10, "channel_name": "HistoryBuff", "description": "Historical documentaries and discussions", "total_videos": 95, "subscribers": 300000}
```

```

]
channels_collection.insert_many(channels)

# Insert data into Videos collection
videos = [
    {"video_id": 1, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Latest Smartphone Review", "views": 10000, "likes": 500},
    {"video_id": 2, "channel_id": 2, "title": "A Day in My Life", "views": 8000, "likes": 300},
    {"video_id": 3, "channel_id": 3, "title": "Easy Pasta Recipe", "views": 5000, "likes": 250},
    {"video_id": 4, "channel_id": 4, "title": "Morning Yoga Routine", "views": 12000, "likes": 800},
    {"video_id": 5, "channel_id": 5, "title": "Exploring Paris", "views": 15000, "likes": 1000},
    {"video_id": 6, "channel_id": 6, "title": "Epic Game Review", "views": 20000, "likes": 1500},
    {"video_id": 7, "channel_id": 7, "title": "Guitar Tutorial", "views": 9000, "likes": 600},
    {"video_id": 8, "channel_id": 8, "title": "Latest Car Models", "views": 18000, "likes": 1300},
    {"video_id": 9, "channel_id": 9, "title": "Summer Fashion Trends", "views": 7000, "likes": 400},
    {"video_id": 10, "channel_id": 10, "title": "World War II Documentary", "views": 22000, "likes": 1900},
    {"video_id": 11, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Laptop Review", "views": 11000, "likes": 550},
    {"video_id": 12, "channel_id": 2, "title": "Camping Trip Vlog", "views": 9000, "likes": 350},
    {"video_id": 13, "channel_id": 3, "title": "Healthy Salad Recipe", "views": 4000, "likes": 220},
    {"video_id": 14, "channel_id": 4, "title": "Cardio Workout", "views": 14000, "likes": 850},
    {"video_id": 15, "channel_id": 5, "title": "Visiting London", "views": 16000, "likes": 1100},
    {"video_id": 16, "channel_id": 6, "title": "New Game Trailer", "views": 25000, "likes": 2000},
    {"video_id": 17, "channel_id": 7, "title": "Piano Tutorial", "views": 9500, "likes": 620},
    {"video_id": 18, "channel_id": 8, "title": "Classic Car Review", "views": 19000, "likes": 1350},
    {"video_id": 19, "channel_id": 9, "title": "Winter Fashion Trends", "views": 8000, "likes": 450},
    {"video_id": 20, "channel_id": 10, "title": "Ancient Egypt Documentary", "views": 23000, "likes": 1950},
    {"video_id": 21, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Tablet Review", "views": 10500, "likes": 530}
]
videos_collection.insert_many(videos)

# Insert data into Playlists collection
playlists = [
    {"playlist_id": 1, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Smartphone Reviews"},
    {"playlist_id": 2, "channel_id": 2, "title": "Travel Vlogs"},
    {"playlist_id": 3, "channel_id": 3, "title": "Quick Recipes"},
    {"playlist_id": 4, "channel_id": 4, "title": "Fitness Routines"},
    {"playlist_id": 5, "channel_id": 5, "title": "Travel Guides"},
    {"playlist_id": 6, "channel_id": 6, "title": "Game Walkthroughs"},
    {"playlist_id": 7, "channel_id": 7, "title": "Music Tutorials"},

```



```

    {"playlist_id": 8, "channel_id": 8, "title": "Car Reviews"},
    {"playlist_id": 9, "channel_id": 9, "title": "Beauty Tips"},
    {"playlist_id": 10, "channel_id": 10, "title": "History Lessons"},
    {"playlist_id": 11, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Laptop Reviews"},
    {"playlist_id": 12, "channel_id": 2, "title": "Nature Vlogs"},
    {"playlist_id": 13, "channel_id": 3, "title": "Healthy Recipes"},
    {"playlist_id": 14, "channel_id": 4, "title": "Cardio Workouts"},
    {"playlist_id": 15, "channel_id": 5, "title": "City Guides"},
    {"playlist_id": 16, "channel_id": 6, "title": "Game Reviews"},
    {"playlist_id": 17, "channel_id": 7, "title": "Piano Tutorials"},
    {"playlist_id": 18, "channel_id": 8, "title": "Classic Car Reviews"},
    {"playlist_id": 19, "channel_id": 9, "title": "Winter Fashion Tips"},
    {"playlist_id": 20, "channel_id": 10, "title": "Ancient History"}
]
playlists_collection.insert_many(playlists)

# Insert data into Comments collection
comments = [
    {"comment_id": 1, "video_id": 1, "user_name": "TechLover", "comment_text": "Great review!"},
    {"comment_id": 2, "video_id": 2, "user_name": "VlogFan", "comment_text": "Loved this video!"},
    {"comment_id": 3, "video_id": 3, "user_name": "ChefMaster", "comment_text": "Thanks for the recipe!"},
    {"comment_id": 4, "video_id": 4, "user_name": "YogaEnthusiast", "comment_text": "This routine is amazing!"},
    {"comment_id": 5, "video_id": 5, "user_name": "Traveler123", "comment_text": "Paris is beautiful!"},
    {"comment_id": 6, "video_id": 6, "user_name": "GamerDude", "comment_text": "This game is awesome!"},
    {"comment_id": 7, "video_id": 7, "user_name": "MusicLover", "comment_text": "Great tutorial!"},
    {"comment_id": 8, "video_id": 8, "user_name": "CarFanatic", "comment_text": "Loved the car review!"},
    {"comment_id": 9, "video_id": 9, "user_name": "Fashionista", "comment_text": "Great fashion tips!"},
    {"comment_id": 10, "video_id": 10, "user_name": "HistoryBuff", "comment_text": "Very informative!"},
    {"comment_id": 11, "video_id": 11, "user_name": "TechFan", "comment_text": "Loved the laptop review!"},
    {"comment_id": 12, "video_id": 12, "user_name": "NatureLover", "comment_text": "Great camping trip vlog!"},
    {"comment_id": 13, "video_id": 13, "user_name": "HealthyEater", "comment_text": "Awesome salad recipe!"},
    {"comment_id": 14, "video_id": 14, "user_name": "FitnessGuru", "comment_text": "Great cardio workout!"},
    {"comment_id": 15, "video_id": 15, "user_name": "Traveler456", "comment_text": "London looks amazing!"},
    {"comment_id": 16, "video_id": 16, "user_name": "GamerGirl", "comment_text": "Can't wait for this game!"},
    {"comment_id": 17, "video_id": 17, "user_name": "PianoPro", "comment_text": "Very helpful piano tutorial!"},
    {"comment_id": 18, "video_id": 18, "user_name": "CarEnthusiast", "comment_text": "Loved the classic car review!"},
    {"comment_id": 19, "video_id": 19, "user_name": "FashionGuru", "comment_text": "Great winter fashion tips!"},
    {"comment_id": 20, "video_id": 20, "user_name": "HistoryBuff2", "comment_text": "Fascinating documentary on Egypt!"},

```

```

        {"comment_id": 21, "video_id": 21, "user_name": "TechLover2", "comment_text": "Tablet review was spot on!"}
    ]
    comments_collection.insert_many(comments)

```

## Explanation

1. **Connecting to MongoDB:** The `MongoClient` is used to connect to a MongoDB instance running locally on the default port.
2. **Creating Database and Collections:** The database `video_platform` is created along with four collections: `channels`, `videos`, `playlists`, and `comments`.

This code effectively mirrors the SQL database structure and data in MongoDB, preserving relationships by using references (e.g., `channel_id`, `video_id`).

## Fetching Data From MongoDB to Python:

### Full Python Program:

Combining all the parts, we get the complete program:

```

from pymongo import MongoClient

# Connect to the MongoDB server
client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")

# Select the database
db = client.video_platform

# Collections
collections = {
    "Channels": db.channels,
    "Videos": db.videos,
    "Playlists": db.playlists,
    "Comments": db.comments
}

# Count of rows and sample documents from each collection
for name, collection in collections.items():
    count = collection.count_documents({})
    print(f"Count of rows in {name} collection: {count}")

    print(f"Sample documents from {name} collection:")
    sample = collection.find().limit(3)
    for doc in sample:
        print(doc)
    print("\n")

# Perform a join between Channels and Videos using local and foreign key
pipeline = [
    {
        '$lookup': {
            'from': "videos",
            'localField': "channel_id",
            'foreignField': "channel_id",
            'as': 'videos'
        }
    },
    {

```



```

        '$limit': 3 # Show only 3 joined results for brevity
    }
]

joined_result = db.channels.aggregate(pipeline)

print("Joined data (Channels and Videos):")
for doc in joined_result:
    print(doc)
    print("\n")

```

This program will:

1. Connect to the MongoDB server.
2. Select the `video_platform` database.
3. Loop through each collection to count the number of documents and show a sample of 3 documents.
4. Perform a join between the `channels` and `videos` collections on the `channel_id` field and display the results.

## Explanation:

### Part 1: Connecting to MongoDB

First, we need to connect to the MongoDB server.

```

from pymongo import MongoClient

# Connect to the MongoDB server
client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")

```

- `from pymongo import MongoClient`: Imports the `MongoClient` class from the `pymongo` library.
- `client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")`: Creates a connection to the MongoDB server running on `localhost` at the default port `27017`.

### Part 2: Selecting the Database and Collections

Next, we select the database and the collections we will work with.

```

# Select the database
db = client.video_platform

# Collections
collections = {
    "Channels": db.channels,
    "Videos": db.videos,
    "Playlists": db.playlists,
    "Comments": db.comments
}

```

- `db = client.video_platform`: Selects the `video_platform` database.
- `collections`: A dictionary that maps collection names (as keys) to their corresponding collection objects in the database (as values).

### Part 3: Counting Rows/documents and Showing Sample Documents

We loop through each collection to count the number of documents and show a sample of 3 documents.

```

# Count of rows and sample documents from each collection
for name, collection in collections.items():

```

```
count = collection.count_documents({})
print(f"Count of rows in {name} collection: {count}")

print(f"Sample documents from {name} collection:")
sample = collection.find().limit(3)
for doc in sample:
    print(doc)
print("\n")
```

- `for name, collection in collections.items()` : Iterates over the `collections` dictionary.

To understand this part, let's assume that `collections` is a dictionary where the keys are the names of the collections and the values are the corresponding collection objects from the MongoDB database.

## Example of the `collections` Dictionary

```
collections = {
    "Channels": db.Channels,
    "Videos": db.Videos,
    "Playlists": db.Playlists,
    "Comments": db.Comments
}
```

In this dictionary:

- `"Channels"`, `"Videos"`, `"Playlists"`, and `"Comments"` are the keys (names of the collections).
- `db.Channels`, `db.Videos`, `db.Playlists`, and `db.Comments` are the values (MongoDB collection objects).

## The `for` Loop

### Syntax:

```
for name, collection in collections.items():
```

- `collections.items()` returns a view object that displays a list of a dictionary's key-value tuple pairs.
- `name` will be assigned the key from each key-value pair (e.g., `"Channels"`, `"Videos"`).
- `collection` will be assigned the corresponding value (e.g., `db.Channels`, `db.Videos`).

### Explanation:

#### 1. First Iteration:

- `name` will be `"Channels"`.
- `collection` will be `db.Channels`.

#### 2. Second Iteration:

- `name` will be `"Videos"`.
- `collection` will be `db.Videos`.
- `count = collection.count_documents({})` : Counts the number of documents in the current collection.
- `print(f"Count of rows in {name} collection: {count}")` : Prints the count of documents in the current collection.
- `sample = collection.find().limit(3)` : Retrieves a sample of 3 documents from the current collection.
- `for doc in sample` : Iterates over the sample documents and prints each document.

## Part 4: Performing a Join Between Collections

We perform a join between the `channels` and `videos` collections using the `channel_id` field.

```
# Perform a join between Channels and Videos using local and foreign key
pipeline = [
    {
        '$lookup': {
            'from': "videos",
            'localField': "channel_id",
            'foreignField': "channel_id",
            'as': 'videos info'
        }
    },
    {
        '$limit': 3 # Show only 3 joined results for brevity
    }
]

joined_result = db.channels.aggregate(pipeline)

print("Joined data (Channels and Videos):")
for doc in joined_result:
    print(doc)
    print("\n")
```

- `pipeline` : Defines the aggregation pipeline for the join operation.
  - `'$lookup'` : Performs the join.
    - `'from': "videos"` : Specifies the collection to join with ( `videos` ). Foreign table is referenced.
    - `'localField': "channel_id"` : The field from the `channels` collection.
    - `'foreignField': "channel_id"` : The field from the `videos` collection.
    - `'as': 'videos info'` : The name of the array field in the output documents that will contain the joined documents.
  - `'$limit': 3` : Limits the number of documents in the result to 3 for brevity.
- `joined_result = db.channels.aggregate(pipeline)` : Runs the aggregation pipeline on the `channels` collection.
- `for doc in joined_result` : Iterates over the joined result documents and prints each document.

## Understanding Join in MongoDB

In SQL, a join combines columns from two or more tables based on a related column between them. For example, an `INNER JOIN` between the `Channels` and `Videos` tables would combine rows from both tables where there is a match on the `channel_id` column.

### MongoDB `$lookup` Stage

In MongoDB, the `$lookup` stage in an aggregation pipeline performs a left outer join to combine documents from two collections. The fields specified in `localField` and `foreignField` are used to match documents from the input collection and the joined collection.

### Example Collections

Let's assume you have the following documents in your `Channels` and `Videos` collections:

#### Channels Collection:

```
[
    { "channel_id": 1, "channel_name": "TechTalk", "description": "Technology and gadget reviews", "total_videos": 120, "subscribers": 1300000 },
    { "channel_id": 2, "channel_name": "DailyVlogs", "description": "Daily life vlogs and travel", "total_videos": 250, "subscribers": 800000 },
    { "channel_id": 3, "channel_name": "CookingWithLove", "description": "Delicious recipes a
```

```
nd cooking tips", "total_videos": 300, "subscribers": 500000 }
]
```

### Videos Collection:

```
[
  { "video_id": 1, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Latest Smartphone Review", "views": 10000, "likes": 500 },
  { "video_id": 2, "channel_id": 2, "title": "A Day in My Life", "views": 8000, "likes": 300 },
  { "video_id": 3, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Laptop Review", "views": 11000, "likes": 550 }
]
```

### Joining Collections with `$lookup`

Let's perform a join between `Channels` and `Videos` where the `channel_id` field matches.

### Performing the Join Operation

We use the following MongoDB aggregation pipeline to join the `Channels` collection with the `Videos` collection:

```
from pymongo import MongoClient

# Connect to the MongoDB server
client = MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")

# Select the database
db = client.my_database

# Define the pipeline for the join
pipeline = [
    {
        '$lookup': {
            'from': "videos",          # Name of the collection to join
            'localField': "channel_id", # Field from the Channels collection
            'foreignField': "channel_id", # Field from the Videos collection
            'as': 'videos_info'        # Name for the array to store joined documents
        }
    }
]

# Execute the aggregation pipeline
joined_result = db.channels.aggregate(pipeline)

# Print the joined data
print("Joined data (Channels and Videos):")
for doc in joined_result:
    print(doc)
    print("\n")
```

### Explanation of the Pipeline

#### 1. `$lookup` Stage:

- `from`: Specifies the collection to join with ( `videos` collection).
- `localField`: Specifies the field from the input collection ( `channels` ) to match ( `channel_id` ).
- `foreignField`: Specifies the field from the joined collection ( `videos` ) to match ( `channel_id` ).

- **as**: Specifies the name of the new array field to add to the input documents. This field will contain the matching documents from the joined collection.

## 2. **\$limit** Stage:

- Limits the result to 3 documents for brevity. This is optional and can be removed if you want to see all results.

## Sample Output

Here is the sample output after performing the join operation:

```
{
  "_id": ObjectId("..."),
  "channel_id": 1,
  "channel_name": "TechTalk",
  "description": "Technology and gadget reviews",
  "total_videos": 120,
  "subscribers": 1300000,
  "videos_info": [
    { "video_id": 1, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Latest Smartphone Review", "views": 10000, "likes": 500 },
    { "video_id": 3, "channel_id": 1, "title": "Laptop Review", "views": 11000, "likes": 550 }
  ]
}
```

```
{
  "_id": ObjectId("..."),
  "channel_id": 2,
  "channel_name": "DailyVlogs",
  "description": "Daily life vlogs and travel",
  "total_videos": 250,
  "subscribers": 800000,
  "videos_info": [
    { "video_id": 2, "channel_id": 2, "title": "A Day in My Life", "views": 8000, "likes": 300 }
  ]
}
```

```
{
  "_id": ObjectId("..."),
  "channel_id": 3,
  "channel_name": "CookingWithLove",
  "description": "Delicious recipes and cooking tips",
  "total_videos": 300,
  "subscribers": 500000,
  "videos_info": []
}
```

## Explanation of the Sample Output

### 1. Channel 1 (TechTalk):

- Has two videos associated with it: "Latest Smartphone Review" and "Laptop Review".
- The **videos\_info** array contains these two video documents.

### 2. Channel 2 (DailyVlogs):

- Has one video associated with it: "A Day in My Life".

- The `videos_info` array contains this single video document.

### 3. Channel 3 (CookingWithLove):

- Has no videos associated with it in the provided `Videos` collection.
- The `videos_info` array is empty.

## Summary

- The `$lookup` stage in the aggregation pipeline joins documents from the `Channels` collection with matching documents from the `Videos` collection based on the `channel_id` field.
- The resulting documents from the `Channels` collection include an additional `videos_info` array containing the related video documents.
- This joined output provides a way to see all videos associated with each channel in a single document, similar to how you would achieve this with a join in SQL.