Large-Scale and Multi-Structured Databases Mongo DB Query 1

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Cursor Methods







Loading Data

Load the following collection:

```
db.inventory.insertMany([
    { item: "journal", qty: 25, size: { h: 14, w: 21, uom: "cm" }, status: "A" },
    { item: "notebook", qty: 50, size: { h: 8.5, w: 11, uom: "in" }, status: "A" },
    { item: "paper", qty: 100, size: { h: 8.5, w: 11, uom: "in" }, status: "D" },
    { item: "planner", qty: 75, size: { h: 22.85, w: 30, uom: "cm" }, status: "D" },
    { item: "postcard", qty: 45, size: { h: 10, w: 15.25, uom: "cm" }, status: "A" }
]);
```







The Find Method and its Cursor

The find() method returns a *cursor* to the results.

In the mongo shell, if the returned cursor is not assigned to a variable using the var keyword, the cursor is automatically iterated to access *up to the first 20 documents* that match the query.

To manually iterate over the results, assign the returned cursor to a variable with the var keyword, as shown in the following slide.

The mongo shell and the *drivers* provide several cursor methods that call on the cursor returned by the find() method to modify its behavior.







Cursor Use: A Simple Example

```
|> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> var myCursor = db.inventory.find();
> var myDocument = myCursor.hasNext() ? myCursor.next() : null;
> if (myDocument) {
... var myName = myDocument.item;
... print (tojson(myName));
... }

"journal"
```

If we update myDocument...







Find and Limit

The *limit()* method limits the number of documents in the result set. The following operation returns at most 3 documents in the collection inventory.

```
(> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "gty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find().limit(3);
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
```







Find and Skip

The **skip()** method controls the **starting point** of the results set. The following operation skips the first 3 documents in the inventory collection and returns all remaining documents:

```
(> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find().limit(3);
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "gty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "gty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "gty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
[> db.inventory.find().skip(3);
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> II
```







Find and Sort

The *sort()* method orders the documents in the result set. The following operation returns documents in the inventory collection sorted *in ascending* order by the *qty field*:

```
| db.inventory.find();
| "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
| db.inventory.find().sort({qty:1});
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
| { "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
```







Find and Sort

The following operation returns documents in the inventory collection sorted in **descending** order by the **qty field**:

```
|> db.inventory.find().sort({qty:-1});
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
```

The following operation returns documents in the inventory collection sorted in *ascending* order by the *status field* (at first) and in *descending* order by the *qty field*:







Combining Cursor Method

The previous cursor methods can be combined as follows:

```
> db.inventory.find();
{ "id": ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item": "journal", "gty": 25, "size": { "h": 14, "w": 21, "uom": "cm"}, "status": "A"}
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find().sort({qty:-1});
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find().sort({qty:-1}).skip(2);
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
```

The db.inventory.find().sort({qty:-1}).skip(2) query sorts the collections in **descending** order considering the **qty field** but **skips** the **first two documents**.







Counting Documents

The method db.collection.countDocuments(query, options) returns the count of documents that would match a find() query for the collection.

The method **db.collection.countDocuments does not perform the find()** operation but instead counts and returns the number of results that match a query.

In Mongo 5 the **db.collection.count** has been deprecated.

```
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```

```
exer> db.inventory.find()
    _id: ObjectId("6377b1597ceaa1fffab54e6b"),
    item: 'journal',
    size: { h: 14, w: 21, uom: 'cm' },
    status: 'A'
    _id: ObjectId("6377b1597ceaa1fffab54e6c"),
    item: 'notebook',
    size: { h: 8.5, w: 11, uom: 'in' },
    status: 'A'
    _id: ObjectId("6377b1597ceaa1fffab54e6d"),
    item: 'paper',
    qty: 100,
    size: { h: 8.5, w: 11, uom: 'in' },
    status: 'D'
    _id: ObjectId("6377b1597ceaa1fffab54e6e"),
    item: 'planner',
    size: { h: 22.85, w: 30, uom: 'cm' },
    status: 'D'
  },
    _id: ObjectId("6377b1597ceaa1fffab54e6f"),
    item: 'postcard',
    size: { h: 10, w: 15.25, uom: 'cm' },
    status: 'A'
[exer> - db.inventory.countDocuments({status:"A"})
exer>
```



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Query on Embedded/Nested Documents







Match an Embedded Document

We can use use the *query filter* document { <field>: <value> } where <value> is the document to match.

For example, the following query *selects all documents* where the field size equals the document { h: 14, w: 21, uom: "cm" }:







Query on Nested Field

To specify a query condition on fields in an embedded/nested document, use **dot notation** ("field.nestedField").

The following example selects all documents where the field *uom*, nested in the *size* field, equals "in":

```
> db.inventory.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find( { "size.uom": "in" } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
```







Specify Match using Query Operator

The following query uses the *less than* operator (\$lt) on the field "h" embedded in the "size" field:

```
|> db.inventory.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
```







Specify AND Condition

The following query selects all documents where the *nested field* "h" is less than 15, the *nested field* "uom" equals "in", and the "status" field equals "D":

```
> db.inventory.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a7"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "size" : { "h" : 14, "w" : 21, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a8"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "A" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160aa"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "size" : { "h" : 22.85, "w" : 30, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "D" }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160ab"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "size" : { "h" : 10, "w" : 15.25, "uom" : "cm" }, "status" : "A" }
> db.inventory.find( { "size.h": { $1t: 15 }, "size.uom": "in", status: "D" })
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dade2b94a004f52120160a9"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "size" : { "h" : 8.5, "w" : 11, "uom" : "in" }, "status" : "D" }
```







Query an Array







Data to Load for the Example







Match an Array

To specify equality condition on an array, use the query document { < field>: < value> } where < value> is the exact array to match, including the order of the elements.

The following example queries for all documents where the *field "tags" value* is an array with exactly two elements, "red" and "blank", *in the specified order*:

```
|> db.inventory.find();

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38dc"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blue" ], "dim_cm" : [ 10, 15.25 ] }

|> db.inventory.find( { tags: ["red", "blank"] } )

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

|> db.inventory.find( { tags: ["red", "blank"] } ).count();
```







Match an Array

If we wish to find an array that contains **both the elements** "red" and "blank", **without regard to order** or other elements in the array, use the **\$all** operator:

```
> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38dc"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blue" ], "dim_cm" : [ 10, 15.25 ] }
> db.inventory.find( { tags: ["red", "blank"] } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
> db.inventory.find( { tags: { $all: ["red", "blank"] } } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
```







Query an Array for an Element

To query if the array field contains *at least one* element with the *specified value*, use the filter { <field>: <value> } where <value> is the element value.

The following example queries for all documents where "tags" is an array that contains the string "red" as one of its elements:

```
| db.inventory.find();

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c7f"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c80"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c81"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c82"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c83"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c80"), "item" : "pournal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c81"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c81"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db99a948215ec9bc20c6c82"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
```







Specify Conditions in Array Elements

To specify conditions on the elements in the array field, use *query operators* in the *query filter document* { <array field>: { <apravo field>: < value 1>, ... } }

The following operations queries for all documents where the array "dim_cm" contains at *least one element* whose value is greater than 25 (first query) and is greater than 20 (second query).

```
> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
> db.inventory.find( { dim_cm: { $gt: 25 } } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
> db.inventory.find( { dim_cm: { $gt: 20 } } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
```







Multiple Conditions for Array Elements (I)

The following example, queries for documents where the "dim_cm" array contains elements that in **some combination** satisfy the query conditions; e.g., one element can satisfy the greater than 15 condition and another element can satisfy the less than 20 condition, or a single element can satisfy both:

Has been excluded because none of the elements satisfies the condition \$1t:20







Multiple Conditions for Array Elements (II)

The following example queries for documents where the "dim_cm" array contains at least one element that is both greater than (\$gt) 22 and less than (\$lt) 30:

```
|> db.inventory.find();

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red"], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blue"], "dim_cm" : [ 10, 15.25 ] }

|> db.inventory.find( { dim_cm: { $elemMatch: { $gt: 22, $lt: 30 } } } )

{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red"], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }

> ||
```







Query for an Element by the Array Index Position

Using *dot notation*, we can specify query conditions for an element at a particular index or position of the array. The array uses *zero-based indexing*.

The following example queries for all documents where **the second element** in the array "dim cm" **is greater than 25**:

```
> db.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38dc"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blue" ], "dim_cm" : [ 10, 15.25 ] }
> db.inventory.find( { "dim_cm.1": { $gt: 25 } } )
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
```







Query an Array by Array Length

Use the \$size operator to query for arrays by number of elements.

For example, the following selects documents where the *array "tags" has 3* elements.

```
bdb.inventory.find();
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d8"), "item" : "journal", "qty" : 25, "tags" : [ "blank", "red" ], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38d9"), "item" : "notebook", "qty" : 50, "tags" : [ "red", "blank"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38db"), "item" : "planner", "qty" : 75, "tags" : [ "blank", "red"], "dim_cm" : [ 22.85, 30 ] }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38dc"), "item" : "postcard", "qty" : 45, "tags" : [ "blue"], "dim_cm" : [ 10, 15.25 ] }
bdb.inventory.find( { "tags": { $size: 3 } })
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5db6b2c20029e92d462c38da"), "item" : "paper", "qty" : 100, "tags" : [ "red", "blank", "plain"], "dim_cm" : [ 14, 21 ] }
```







Suggested Readings

Students are invited to read the official documentation regarding cursors operations with MongoDB.

The documentation is available at:

https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/method/db.collection .find/

https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/method/db.collection .countDocuments/

https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/tutorial/query-embedded-documents/

https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/tutorial/query-arrays/

Students are also invited to repeat all the examples on their MongoDB shell.







Exercises

- 1. Import the restaurants datasets from the restaurants.json file.
- 2. Write a MongoDB query to count the total number of documents.
- 3. Write a MongoDB query to display all the restaurant which is in the borough Bronx
- 4. Write a MongoDB query to display the next 5 restaurants after skipping first 5 which are in the borough Bronx
- 5. Write a MongoDB query to find the restaurants that achieved a score, more than 80 but less than 100
- 6. Write a MongoDB query to find the restaurants which locate in a latitude value less than -95.754168.
- 7. Write a MongoDB query to find the restaurants that do not prepare any cuisine of 'American' and their grade score more than 70 and latitude less than -65.754168
- 8. Write a MongoDB query to find the restaurants which do not prepare any cuisine of 'American' and achieved a grade point 'A' not belongs to the borough Brooklyn.

 The document must be displayed according to the cuisine in descending order.





