

MongoDB vs PostgreSQL

A comprehensive analysis

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What is MongoDB?



- It is an open-source NoSQL (non-relational) database management system
- It is a document-oriented database
- Designed to store, query, and manage large volumes of data in a flexible and scalable manner
- It is schema-less meaning that documents in a collection can have different fields and structures

What is PostgreSQL?



- It is an open-source Relational Database Management System (**RDBMS**)
- It supports SQL (Structured Query Language) for working with relational databases
- Highly scalable allowing clustering, partitioning and replication
- Supports a wide range of datatypes from arrays to JSON
- Supports foreign keys and constraints

Dataset Overview

- Liquor sales in the US by county
- Contains over 5 million records with 23 columns
- Each row is an invoice record
- **Columns include information on:** invoice details, shops and vendors, specifications of items sold

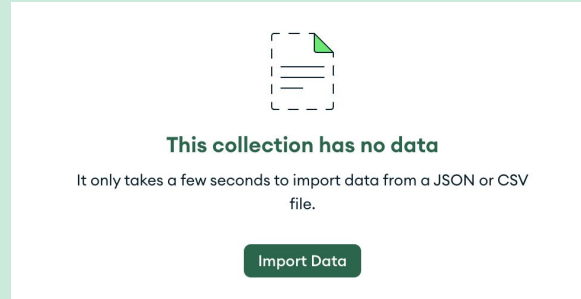
Setting up the database in MongoDB

- 1) Manually create a DB in MongoDB using MongoDB Compass
- 2) Within the empty collection, click on 'Import Data' and choose the file from local computer
- 3) Click on import again in the following screen

Create Database

Database Name

Collection Name



Specify Fields and Types

[Learn more about data types](#)

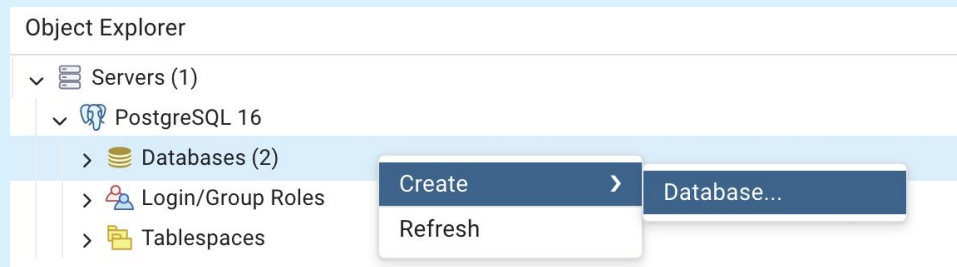
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> invoice_number	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> store_number	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> store_name	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> address	
String	Date	Int32	String	String	
1	INV-08499600048	2017-11-07	2552	Hy-Vee Food Store #3 / Cedar Rapids	20 Wilson Avenue
2	INV-20043600013	2019-06-17	5482	Iowa Mini Mart	234 W 3rd St
3	INV-27138900007	2020-05-11	2190	Central City Liquor, Inc.	1460 2ND AVE
4	INV-21266200009	2019-08-15	5499	Kum & Go #184 / Altoona	1430 1st Ave North
5	S29465600002	2015-12-07	3624	Wal-Mart 0748 / Newton	300 IOWA SPEEDWAY
6	INV-16744300141	2019-01-04	2544	Hy-Vee Food Store / Marshalltown	802 South Center

Cancel

Import

Setting up the database in PostgreSQL

- 1) Manually create a DB in Postgres from the 'Object Explorer'
- 2) Run the following python script to load the csv file from local computer to the postgres
- 3) Run the following Postgres command to alter the date column type from 'text' to 'date'



```
acc_pool = pd.read_csv("/Users/pc_username/Documents/dw_project/liquor_sales.csv")  
engine = create_engine('postgresql://postgres:postgres@localhost:5432/project')  
acc_pool.to_sql('ls', engine ,if_exists='replace',index=False)
```

```
ALTER TABLE ls ALTER COLUMN "date" TYPE date  
USING "date"::date
```

Query 1: What are the sales that are between 500 and 5000 USD?

MongoDB

```
roject> pipeline = [  
..   {  
..     $match: {  
..       sale_usd: { $gte: 500, $lte: 5000 }  
..     },  
..     {  
..       $project: {  
..         invoice_number: 1,  
..         date: 1,  
..         store_name: 1,  
..         sale_usd: 1,  
..         _id: 0  
..       }  
..     },  
..     {  
..       $sort: {  
..         sale_usd: -1  
..       }  
..     }  
..   ];  
  
{ '$match': { sale_usd: { '$gte': 500, '$lte': 5000 } } },  
{  
  '$project': { invoice_number: 1, date: 1, store_name: 1, sale_usd: 1, _id: 0 }  
},  
{ '$sort': { sale_usd: -1 } }
```

PostgreSQL

```
SELECT invoice_number, date,  
store_name, sale_usd  
FROM ls  
WHERE sale_usd BETWEEN 500 AND 5000  
ORDER BY sale_usd DESC;
```

Output 1: Sales between 500 and 5000 USD

MongoDB

```
[
  {
    invoice_number: 'INV-11243200060',
    date: ISODate("2018-04-02T00:00:00.000Z"),
    store_name: 'Hy-Vee Food Store / Muscatine',
    sale_usd: 4998.6
  },
  {
    invoice_number: 'INV-11665200084',
    date: ISODate("2018-04-24T00:00:00.000Z"),
    store_name: 'Hy-Vee #7 / Cedar Rapids',
    sale_usd: 4998.6
  }
]
```

PostgreSQL

	invoice_number text	date date	store_name text	sale_usd double precision
1	INV-11274400002	2018-04-03	Fareway Stores #124 / Adel	4998.6
2	INV-08714100020	2017-11-16	Fareway Stores #153 / W Des Moines	4998.6
3	INV-05757700028	2017-06-27	Hy-Vee Food Store / Johnston	4998.6
4	INV-10620300060	2018-02-27	Hy-Vee Food Store / Johnston	4998.6
5	INV-08760500007	2017-11-20	Hy-Vee Wine and Spirits / Iowa City	4998.6

Query 2: Which years made the most profit?

MongoDB

```
project> pipeline = [  
...   {  
...     $group: {  
...       _id: { $year: "$date" },  
...       total_bottles_sold: { $sum: "$bottles_sold" },  
...       total_sale_usd: { $sum: "$sale_usd" }  
...     }  
...   },  
...   {  
...     $sort: { total_sale_usd: -1 }  
...   }  
... ];
```

PostgreSQL




```
SELECT  
    EXTRACT(YEAR FROM date) AS year,  
    SUM(bottles_sold) AS total_bottles_sold,  
    SUM(sale_usd) AS total_sale_usd  
FROM ls  
GROUP BY year  
ORDER BY SUM(sale_usd) DESC;
```

Output 2: Which years made the most profit?

MongoDB

```
[
  {
    _id: 2019,
    total_bottles_sold: 6990974,
    total_sale_usd: 90567975.6
  },
  {
    _id: 2018,
    total_bottles_sold: 6547448,
    total_sale_usd: 86371077.89
  },
  {
    _id: 2017,
    total_bottles_sold: 6053476,
    total_sale_usd: 79207595.29
  }
]
```

PostgreSQL

	year numeric 	total_bottles_sold numeric 	total_sale_usd double precision 
1	2019	6990974	90567975.59999166
2	2018	6547448	86371077.88999465
3	2017	6053476	79207595.28999892
4	2020	5706871	74804342.1500005
5	2015	5571528	73752865.60000421

Query 3: Which stores sold more bottles than the average?

MongoDB

```
project> var avg_bottles_sold = db.ls.aggregate([
...   {
...     $group: {
...       _id: null,
...       avg_bottles_sold: { $avg: "$bottles_sold" }
...     }
...   }
... ]).next().avg_bottles_sold;

project> var result = db.ls.aggregate([
...   {
...     $match: {
...       bottles_sold: { $gt: avg_bottles_sold }
...     }
...   },
...   {
...     $project: {
...       store_name: 1,
...       address: 1,
...       city: 1,
...       county: 1,
...       bottles_sold: 1
...     }
...   }
... ]);
```

PostgreSQL

```
SELECT
    store_name, address,
    city, county,
    bottles_sold
FROM ls
WHERE bottles_sold >
    (SELECT AVG(bottles_sold) FROM ls)
```

Output 3: Stores with more bottle sales than the average

MongoDB

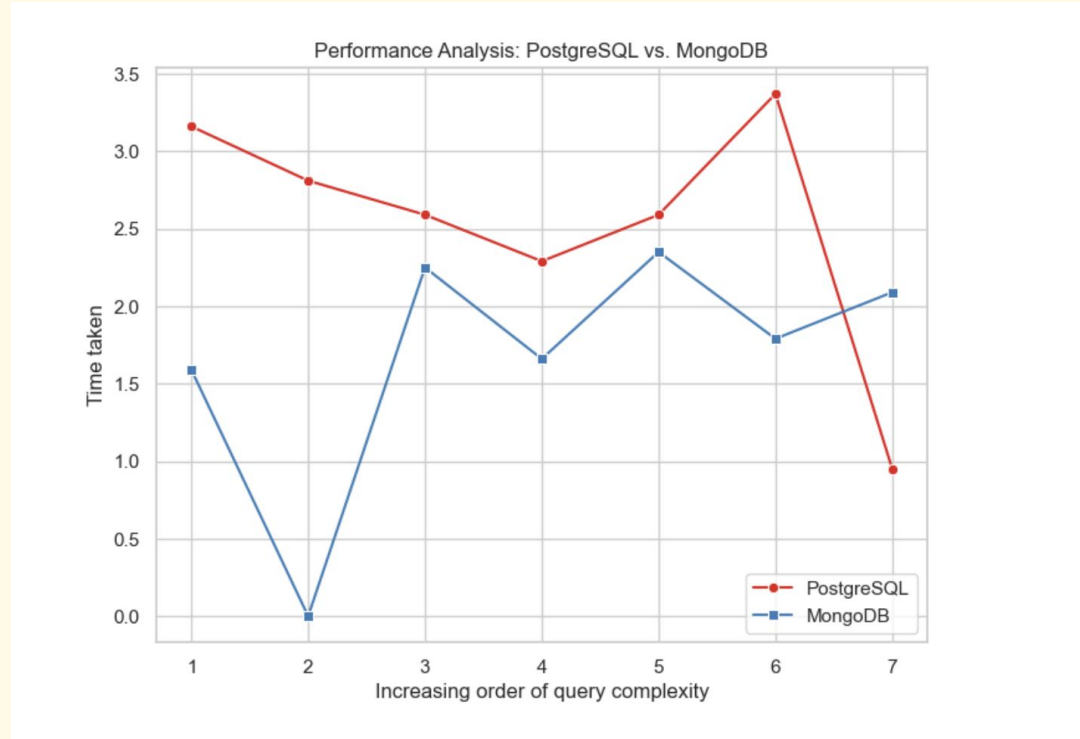
```
[project> print(result)
[
  {
    _id: ObjectId("656bdf9121918ee2899b5a2d"),
    store_name: 'Sycamore Convenience',
    address: '617 Sycamore',
    city: 'Waterloo',
    county: 'BLACK HAWK',
    bottles_sold: 12
  },
  {
    _id: ObjectId("656bdf9121918ee2899b5a31"),
    store_name: 'Hy-Vee Food Store #1 / Council Bluffs',
    address: '2323 W Broadway',
    city: 'Council Bluffs',
    county: 'POTTAWATTA',
    bottles_sold: 12
  },
  {
    _id: ObjectId("656bdf9121918ee2899b5a33"),
    store_name: 'Benz Distributing',
    address: '501 7TH AVE SE',
    city: 'CEDAR RAPIDS',
    county: 'Linn',
    bottles_sold: 12
  },
]
```

PostgreSQL

	store_name text	address text	city text	county text	bottles_sold bigint
1	Sycamore Convenience	617 Sycamore	Waterloo	BLACK HAWK	12
2	Hy-Vee Food Store #1 / C...	2323 W Broadway	Council Bluffs	POTTAWATTA	12
3	Benz Distributing	501 7TH AVE SE	CEDAR RAPIDS	Linn	12
4	Barmuda Distribution	6027 University Ave St...	Cedar Falls	BLACK HAWK	12
5	Kum & Go #135 / Polk City	303 W Broadway St	Polk City	POLK	12
6	Casey's General Store #9...	113, NE 3RD ST	PANORA	Guthrie	12
7	Urbandale Liquor	6401 Douglas Ave STE 1	Urbandale	POLK	12
8	Hy-Vee Food Store #3 / C...	20 WILSON AVENUE W...	CEDAR RAPIDS	Linn	12
9	Sam's Club 6514 / Waterl...	210 East Tower Park Dr	Waterloo	BLACK HAWK	12
10	Hy-Vee Food Store / Fleu...	4605 Fleur Drive	Des Moines	POLK	12
11	Sam's Club 8238 / Daven...	3845 ELMORE AVE.	DAVENPORT	Scott	12
12	Washington Street Mini ...	1601 WASHINGTON ST	DAVENPORT	Scott	24
13	Kum & Go #4127 / SLOAN	1864 HWY 141	SLOAN	Woodbury	12
14	Kimberly Mart / Davenport	1714 E Kimberly Rd	Davenport	Scott	24
15	One Stop Shop #3 / Algo...	220 S Phillips St	Algona	KOSSUTH	48

Performance Analysis

PostgreSQL	MongoDB	% comparison
3.16	1.59	97.8%
2.81	0.006	significantly faster
2.59	2.25	15.07%
2.29	1.66	37.67%
2.59	2.35	10.04%.
3.37	1.79	87.75%
0.95	2.09	54.23% (slower)





Thank you!