

# Tutorial 7

## Python Driver for MongoDB

The main objective of this tutorial is to understand how MongoDB Driver works, particularly by using the Python Driver (pymongo).

### MongoDB Driver

1. Install [pymongo](#) driver in the command prompt/terminal

If python is installed then the following can be used:

```
python -m pip install pymongo
```

[Note: If there is an error saying : no module named pip then it could be that you are using an [anaconda python installation](#) and therefore the following can be used:

```
conda install -c anaconda pymongo
```

2. Then run python in the terminal to start the python shell

```
python
```

3. The pymongo driver can now be imported using

```
import pymongo
```

4. Now we can connect to the localhost where MongoDB server is running using

```
client = pymongo.MongoClient('localhost', 27017)
```

or

```
client = pymongo.MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017/")
```

5. Next we can create a database called 'tutorial5Db' if it doesn't already exist

```
db = client['tutorial7Db']
```

If the database is created properly then the following command should run without errors:

```
db
```

6. Now we can create our first collection called 'tutorial5Collection'

```
collection = db['tutorial7Collection']
```

And count the number of documents in the newly created collection using:

```
collection.count()
```

7. Let's try adding some data. For this we can first create a python dictionary called 'student1\_data', 'student2\_data', 'student3\_data' store the fields name and age:

```
student1_data = {  
    'name': 'student1',  
    'age': 25  
}
```

```
student2_data = {
```

```
'name':'student2',  
'age':20  
}
```

```
student3_data = {  
    'name':'student3',  
    'age':23  
}
```

We can see the contents by just calling data and see if the fields were correctly created.

```
student1_data  
student2_data  
student3_data
```

8. Next we can insert the 'data' to the collection as a document:

```
insert_result = collection.insert_one(student1_data)
```

[Notice how the syntax is slightly different from the MongoShell syntax since we are using python commands]

We can check if the insert happened correctly by using:

```
insert_result.acknowledged
```

To check the id of the inserted document, we can use:

```
insert_result.inserted_id
```

**For student2**

```
insert_result = collection.insert_one(student2_data)  
insert_result.acknowledged  
insert_result.inserted_id
```

**For student3**

```
insert_result = collection.insert_one(student3_data)  
insert_result.acknowledged  
insert_result.inserted_id
```

9. Now let's try counting again (if the previous count returned zero, then this could should return 3.)

```
collection.count()
```

10. To find and display one document:

```
x = collection.find_one()  
print(x)
```

**To find more than one document**

```
for x in collection.find():  
    print(x)
```

(need to click enter twice)

### 11. To query the collection:

```
query = { "name": "student1" }

result = collection.find(query)

for x in result:
    print(x)
```

### 12. Using aggregate pipeline:

```
pipeline_query = [
    {"$match": { "age": { "$gte": 20}}},
    {"$sort": { "age": pymongo.ASCENDING }}
]

results = collection.aggregate(pipeline_query)

for x in results:
    print(x)
```

### 13. Updating a document e.g. student2's age to 27:

```
condition_query = { "name": "student2" }
set_values = { "$set": { "age": "27" } }

collection.update_one(condition_query, set_values)
```

#### Checking for the change

```
query = { "name": "student2" }

result = collection.find(query)

for x in result:
    print(x)
```

### 14. Now let's get rid of our test document by deleting the document

```
delete_result = collection.delete_one({'age':25})

collection.count()
```

### 15. Drop the collection:

```
collection.drop()
```

### 16. You save your python code in a runnable python script using the following at the start of the script:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python27
Followed by your python code and saved in a .py file
```

#### References:

[https://www.w3schools.com/python/python\\_mysql\\_where](https://www.w3schools.com/python/python_mysql_where)  
<https://pymongo.readthedocs.io/en/stable/genindex.html>

### **The End**