MongoDB – Complete Guide for Developers & DevOps

★ What is MongoDB?

MongoDB is a NoSQL, document-based database.

Instead of tables, it stores data in flexible JSON-like documents (BSON format).

Example:

json

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```
{
    "name": "John",
    "age": 25,
    "skills": ["Java", "Spring"]
}
```


Advantage Description

Schema-less No fixed table structure – flexible documents

High Performance Fast reads/writes for unstructured data

Easy Scaling Horizontal scalability with built-in sharding

🖺 Developer Friendly JSON-style documents, simple queries

MongoDB Architecture

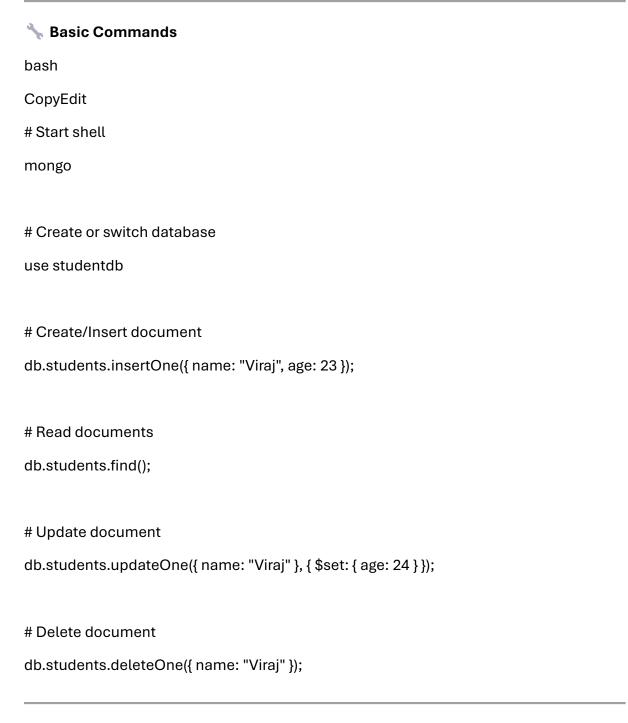
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[Client] \rightleftarrows [MongoDB Server] \rightleftarrows [Database] \rightleftarrows [Collections] \rightleftarrows [Documents]

- **Database**: Logical container (like schema in MySQL)
- Collection: Like table (but schema-less)

• **Document**: A single JSON-like object (record)



Spring Boot + MongoDB Integration

1. Add Dependencies (Maven)

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<dependency>

```
<groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
<artifactId>spring-boot-starter-data-mongodb</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

2. application.properties

properties

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spring.data.mongodb.uri=mongodb://localhost:27017/studentdb

3. Create Model

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java

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@Document(collection = "students")

public class Student {

  @Id

  private String id;

  private String name;

  private int age;
```

4. Create Repository

java

}

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public interface StudentRepository extends MongoRepository<Student, String> {
 List<Student> findByName(String name);
}

Feature MongoDB MySQL

Structure Document-based Table-based

Schema Flexible (schema-less) Fixed schema

Best Use Fast dev, semi-structured data Structured, transactional

Scaling Horizontal Vertical

MongoDB with Docker

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docker run -d -p 27017:27017 --name mongo \

-e MONGO_INITDB_DATABASE=studentdb \

mongo

Optional: Mongo Express (UI)

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mongo-express:

image: mongo-express

restart: always

ports:

-8081:8081

environment:

ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_SERVER: mongo

Access: http://localhost:8081

Interview Questions (MongoDB)

Q1. What is MongoDB?

A NoSQL document-oriented database.

Q2. What is the difference between MongoDB and SQL DBs?

MongoDB uses flexible JSON-like documents; SQL uses structured tables.

Q3. How is data stored in MongoDB?

In BSON format (Binary JSON).

Q4. What is a collection?

Like a table, but without schema restrictions.

Q5. How does MongoDB scale?

Supports horizontal scaling using sharding.

Q6. How do you connect MongoDB with Spring Boot?

Using spring-boot-starter-data-mongodb and @Document, MongoRepository.

✓ Summary Must Know Area Covered MongoDB Basics ✓ CRUD Operations ✓ Spring Boot Integration ✓ Docker Setup ✓

Interview Questions

MongoDB Practice Tasks (With Sample Queries)

Task 1: Create a Database and Collection

Objective: Set up a studentdb database and a students collection.

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use studentdb

db.createCollection("students")

Task 2: Insert Multiple Documents

Objective: Insert sample student records.

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```

js

```
{ name: "Arya", age: 21, dept: "IT", grade: "B" }, 
{ name: "Kiran", age: 23, dept: "CS", grade: "C" }
```

])

Task 3: Read All Documents

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db.students.find()

Task 4: Filter Documents

Objective: Find all CS department students.

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db.students.find({ dept: "CS" })

Task 5: Projection (Only Select Fields)

Objective: Show only name and grade.

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db.students.find({}, { name: 1, grade: 1, _id: 0 })

Task 6: Update a Field

Objective: Update grade of a specific student.

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db.students.updateOne({ name: "Arya" }, { \$set: { grade: "A+" } })

Task 7: Delete a Document

Objective: Delete student with grade C.

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db.students.deleteOne({ grade: "C" })

Task 8: Count Records

Objective: How many students are in CS?

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db.students.countDocuments({ dept: "CS" })

Task 9: Sort Results

Objective: Sort students by age (descending).

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db.students.find().sort({ age: -1 })

Task 10: Create Index

Objective: Index on name field for faster search.

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db.students.createIndex({ name: 1 })

Task 11: Aggregation Example

Objective: Group by department and count students.

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```
db.students.aggregate([
   {$group: {_id: "$dept", count: {$sum: 1}}}
])
```

Task 12: Check if a Field Exists

Objective: Find documents where grade exists.

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db.students.find({ grade: { \$exists: true } })

Task 13: Array Query

If student has multiple skills:

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db.students.insertOne({ name: "Dev", skills: ["Java", "MongoDB", "Spring"] })

// Find all with MongoDB skill

db.students.find({ skills: "MongoDB" })

- **✓** Tip for Interviews
- ☑ Practice these queries using MongoDB Compass UI or mongo shell
- ✓ Explain why you use \$set, \$group, \$exists, etc.
- Know difference between .find() and .aggregate()