



Fundamentals of Data Management

Credit Tasks 11.2.3: MongoDB

Overview

You'll learn how to add, update and query documents in the MongoDB document database.

Purpose

Gain some experience of working with non-relational databases.

Task

Download the Ubuntu virtual machine from Blackboard and open it in the VMWare Player. Open a Terminal window and make a connection to MongoDB. Complete the tasks.

Time

This task should be completed in your lab class and submitted for feedback in lab 11 or at the beginning of lab 12.

Resources

- MongoDB and mongo shell on Ubuntu VM.
- MongoDB CRUD Operations manual at <http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/tutorial/query-documents/>

Feedback

Discuss your solutions with the tutorial instructor.

Next

Well Done!. You have completed all the Tasks.

Credit Tasks 11.2.3 — Submission Details and Assessment Criteria

Document your solutions to the tasks using a word processor. Upload the report to Doubtfire, then discuss your results with the tutor.

Getting Started

Open the VMWare Player and start the virtual machine. The password for fdm is admin. Click on the application icon (the uppermost icon on the left in Ubuntu). Find the Terminal among the applications (Type 'Terminal' into the search field).

Type

```
mongo test
```

and <Enter> .

You have a connection to the 'test' database on MongoDB. The way you can tell is that the command prompt is now

```
>
```

Instead of

```
fdm@fdm-virtual-machine:~$
```

If you want to close the connection and return to Ubuntu, type

```
exit
```

and <Enter>

Note: In MongoDB, the 'up' and 'down' arrows work just like on the command line – they bring up previously used commands. No need to type the command every time when you are working in the right syntax it.

A storage unit in MongoDB is called a collection. While you have a connection, see what collections are in the 'test' database:

```
show collections
```

You should see a 'restaurants' collection and a system collection. Query the content of the 'restaurants' collection:

```
db.restaurants.find()
```

This is the equivalent of `SELECT * FROM restaurants;` in SQL. You'll find that by default, MongoDB brings only the twenty first entries. If you want to list more, you have to type 'it' and <ENTER>. But how many restaurants are in the collection? Is it worth scrolling through all of them?

```
db.runCommand({count: 'restaurants'})
```

shows the number of restaurants in the collection.

Example document:

```
{
  "_id": ObjectId("55b2b4562fc7302843ef3927"),
  "address": {
    "building": "522",
    "coord": [
      -73.95171,
      40.767461
    ],
    "street": "East 74 Street",
    "zipcode": "10021"
  },
  "borough": "Manhattan",
  "cuisine": "American ",
  "grades": [
    {
      "date": ISODate("2014-09-02T00:00:00Z"),
      "grade": "A",
      "score": 12
    },
    {
      "date": ISODate("2013-12-19T00:00:00Z"),
      "grade": "B",
      "score": 16
    },
    {
      "date": ISODate("2013-05-28T00:00:00Z"),
      "grade": "A",
      "score": 9
    }
  ],
  "name": "Glorious Food",
  "restaurant_id": "40361521"
}
```

The entries have names and addresses of restaurants as well as the style of cuisine and grades received by customers.

Hint: CRUD is a relational acronym for CREATE, READ, UPDATE, DELETE; it means DDL (data definition) and DML (data manipulation).

Hint: Use a text editor to work on your scripts before running them in the terminal.

Subtask 11.2.3

Change the author of book 999-888 from Kate Grenville to Simon Collins.

What is the response you get when the update is successful?

What is an upsert?

Document the command and the answers and upload.