

Big Data System – MongoDB Lab Sheet:2

Data Manipulations in MongoDB

1. Objective

Students should be able to

- A. Insert documents into the collection
- B. Update the document
- C. Delete the document

2. Steps to be performed

A. Insert documents into the collection

A1. The “insert” command

“insert” command is used to add a new document into the collection.

For example,

Basic syntax of **INSERT** statement is as follows –

```
>db.collection_name.insert({//document})
```

Example, let’s add a new document with attributes like id, title, reviews into books collection.

```
> db.books.insert({"id":1, "title":"Cloud computing",  
"tags":["cloud", "prog"], "reviews":5})
```

Example

A2. The “find” command

“find” command is used to retrieve the documents from the collection.

Example

```
> db.books.find({})  
  
{"_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" :  
"Cloud computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
```

A3. The “multi insert” command

The [] operator can be used to insert the multiple documents into the collection.

Example

```
> db.books.insert([{"id":2, "title":"IDS", "tags":["DataScience"],  
"reviews":3},  
{"id":3, "title":"Data Analytics", "reviews":5},  
{"id":4, "title":"Big Data Systems", "reviews":5}])
```

A4. The “pretty” command

The documents retrieved by using “find” command can be shown properly formatted using “pretty” command.

Example

```
> db.books.find().pretty()  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"),  
  "id" : 1,  
  "title" : "Cloud computing",  
  "tags" : [  
    "cloud",  
    "prog"  
  ],  
  "reviews" : 5  
}  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"),  
  "id" : 2,  
  "title" : "IDS",  
  "tags" : [  
    "DataScience"  
  ],  
  "reviews" : 3  
}  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"),  
  "id" : 3,  
  "title" : "Data Analytics",  
  "reviews" : 5  
}  
{  
  "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"),  
  "id" : 4,  
  "title" : "Big Data Systems",  
  "reviews" : 5  
}
```

A4. The “save” command

“Save” command can also be used to insert the document into the collection.

Example

```
> db.books.save({"id":5, "title":"Big Data", "reviews":3})
WriteResult({ "nInserted" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" : "Cloud
computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS",
"tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data
Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big
Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1aba2baa5bd2fd56dc9ed"), "id" : 5, "title" : "Big
Data", "reviews" : 3 }
```

B. Update the document

B1. Add new field in the existing document

“Update” command can be used to add a new field into document matching the given criteria.

Example

```
> db.books.update({"id":5}, {$set:{"author":"Celin"}})
WriteResult({ "nMatched" : 1, "nUpserted" : 0, "nModified" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" : "Cloud
computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS",
"tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data
Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big
Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1aba2baa5bd2fd56dc9ed"), "id" : 5, "title" : "Big
Data", "reviews" : 3, "author" : "Celin" }
```

B2. Update the field in the existing document

“Update” command can be used to update a field from document as follows

Example

```
> db.books.update({"id":5}, {$set:{"title":"New Big Data"}})
WriteResult({ "nMatched" : 1, "nUpserted" : 0, "nModified" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" : "Cloud computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS", "tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1aba2baa5bd2fd56dc9ed"), "id" : 5, "title" : "New Big Data", "reviews" : 3 }
```

B3. Remove field from the existing document

“Update” command can be used to delete a field into document as follows

Example

```
> db.books.update({"id":5}, {$unset:{"author":""}})
WriteResult({ "nMatched" : 1, "nUpserted" : 0, "nModified" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" : "Cloud computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS", "tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1aba2baa5bd2fd56dc9ed"), "id" : 5, "title" : "Big Data", "reviews" : 3 }
```

C. Delete the document

C1. The “remove” command

“remove” command is used to remove the document matching the criteria.

Example

```
> db.books.remove({"id":5})
WriteResult({ "nRemoved" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a8e9c85994f17d1b97fe"), "id" : 1, "title" : "Cloud
computing", "tags" : [ "cloud", "prog" ], "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS",
"tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data
Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big
Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
```

C2. The “remove” command with “justOnce” option

“remove” command supports a flag “justOnce” which just deletes the first document matching the criteria.

Example

```
> db.books.remove({"reviews":5}, {"justOne":true})
WriteResult({ "nRemoved" : 1 })
```

You can verify the inserted document using find command

```
> db.books.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b97ff"), "id" : 2, "title" : "IDS",
"tags" : [ "DataScience" ], "reviews" : 3 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9800"), "id" : 3, "title" : "Data
Analytics", "reviews" : 5 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("5dc1a989c85994f17d1b9801"), "id" : 4, "title" : "Big
Data Systems", "reviews" : 5 }
```



3. Outputs/Results

Students should be able to appreciate the usage of following commands

- Insert
- Update
- Remove

4. Observations

Students should carefully observe the syntax of insert, update and remove commands



5. References

- [MongoDB documentation](#)