



Models and Systems for Big Data

Document Database

MongoDB & Javascript-based Query Language

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The purpose of this practical work is to use MongoDB Community as NoSQL document-oriented database ¹ server. Studio 3T ² is required as a client to connect to a MongoDB server (instance) and to submit queries. We will use a dataset that consists of a collection of movies (the json file is available on Edunao).

1 HOW TO START WITH MONGODB, DATA IMPORT AND STUDIO3T

First, you need to install MongoDB Community. The instructions are available at:

- <https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-os-x/> for macOS, all programs are available in /usr/local/. . . /mongodb/4.0.4_1/bin (if you follow carefully the installation the repository is explicitly displayed)
- and <https://docs.mongodb.com/v3.2/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-windows/> for Windows.

Then, you install the client Studio 3T using the link <https://studio3t.com/download/>.

Here are the instructions to launch an instance of MongoDB server :

- Create a directory "data" in "/PATH" where "PATH" is the path you used.
- Open a terminal to run an instance of MongoDB server by typing the following command. **Keep this terminal open** otherwise the launched instance will be stopped.

`mongod --dbpath /PATH/data --port 27018`

The option port is used to specify the port the server listens to. The option dbpath is used to specify the directory where the data files will be stored. Each MongoDB instance manages its own data directory. For each MongoDB instance you must specify a new data directory.

¹<https://www.mongodb.com>

²<https://studio3t.com/features/>

- Open another terminal to import the data `moviesEmbedded.json` using the following command.

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mongoimport --db movie --collection moviesEmbedded --drop  
--jsonArray --file /PATH/moviesEmbedded.json --port 27018
```

Where PATH is the path to access to `moviesEmbedded.json` file you downloaded. The option `db` creates a database named `movie`, the option `collection` creates the collection named `moviesEmbedded` which will store the documents imported from file `moviesEmbedded.json`. The option `drop` removes the collection if it already exists.

- To query MongoDB database, we will use Studio 3T's through IntelliShell. Launch Studio 3T and create a new connection to MongoDB server by specifying its location as `localhost` and the port number `27018`. Then open `intellishell` to edit/execute queries.
- Here are some useful queries: to get the list of the databases `show databases`, to access to the target database use `use movie`, to show the collections located in the current database `show collections`, to count the number of documents in the target collection `db.moviesEmbedded.count()`. You can also shutdown the server (as admin) using: `use admin` and `db.shutdownServer()`