# Models and Systems for Big Data DOCUMENT DATABASE - MONGODB

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### Introduction

- JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) is used as a data model in NoSQL document-based databases such as MongoDB, CouchDB, CouchBase, RethinkDB
- JSON: a format to exchange structured data in a distributed environment, used in Ajax Web applications and in Rest architecture based Web services.
- JSON: simple and intuitive, it hasn't schema specification and query language (generally Javascript)
- A JSON document is a set of key-value pairs (attribute, value).
  - Simple values

```
"title": "The Social network",
"year": 2010,
"oscar": false
```

Complex values



### **JSON Data Model**

- Documents are characterized by their structure which can be more or less complex.
- A document has a tree structure: nodes contain simple values (strings, integers, reals, booleans) or complex values (arrays of simple values or embedded documents). Simple values are the tree leaves.



### **JSON Data Model**

Powerful modeling: attributes with no atomic values, embedded/nested documents

```
{"title": "The Social network",
"summary": "On a fall night in 2003, Harvard undergrad and programming ...",
"year": 2010,
"director": {"last name": "Fincher", "first name": "David"},
"actors": [{"first_name": "Jesse", "last_name": "Eisenberg"},
{"first name": "Rooney", "last name": "Mara"}] }
{"title": "Pulp fiction",
"vear": "1994",
"genre": ["Action", "Crime", "Comedy"]
"country": "USA"
"director": {"last name": "Tarantino", "first name": "Ouentin", "birth date": "1963"},
"actors":[{"last name":"Travolta", "first name":"John", "role":"Vincent Vega"},
{"last name":"Willis", "first name": "Bruce", "role": "Butch Coolidge" },
{"last name": "Jackson", "first name": "Samuel L.", "role": "Jules Winnfield"},
  ...1
. . . 1
```

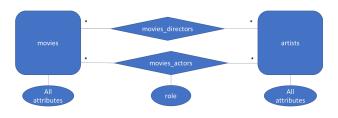


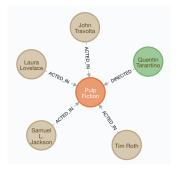
### **JSON Data Model**

- Documents in the same collection are not described using the same attributes
- Hierarchy leads to a non symmetric representation, the access to the root is privileged, and a certain perspective is imposed
- No information scattered among different documents likewise no need to join operations as in relational databases
- No autonomous entities, redundancy and perhaps inconsistencies.



### **JSON Data Model Versus Graph & Relational Model**







### **Document Database MongoDB**

- MongoDB (from humongous) is a free and open-source platform database.
- A powerful, flexible, and scalable NoSQL general-purpose database used in platforms such as: Craigslist, eBay, Foursquare, SourceForge.net, Viacom, and New York Times.
- A document-oriented database
  - a row is a document, with embedded documents and arrays, complex hierarchical relationships in a single row
  - a collection is a group of documents, as a table with a dynamic schema
  - free schema: documents within a collection can have any number of different attributes, not of fixed types or sizes
- Flexible structure (presence, absence, variations), complex and free imbrication.
- Few reference to other documents.
- Transaction in MongoDB ... and data distribution -> see later



### **Data Types**

Each document has a unique \_id within a collection

#### Data types:

```
regular expression {"x" : /foobar/i}
array {"x" : ["a", "b", "c"]} {"things" : ["pie", 3.14]}
embedded document {"name":"John Doe","address":
{"street":"123 Park Street","city":"AnyTown","state":"NY"} }
javascript code {"x" : function() { /* ... */ }}
```



### **Basic Operations**

#### MongoDB comes with a simple but powerful JavaScript shell

- insert a blog in blog collection (created if it doesn't exist) located in current database db. \\_id field is added to each document
- query the collection

```
> post = {
"title": "My Blog Post",
"content": "Here's my post",
"date" : new Date()}
> db.blog.insert(post)
> db.blog.find()
    { "__id" : ObjectId("5037ee4a1084eb3ffeef7228"),
    "title" : "My Blog Post",
    "content" : "Here's my blog post.",
    "date" : ISODate("2017-04-24T21:12:09.982Z")
}
```



### **Basic Operations**

modify the variable post, add a "comments" attribute

```
> post.comments = []
> db.blog.update({title : "My Blog Post"}, post)
> db.blog.find()
{
    "_id" : ObjectId("5037ee4a1084eb3ffeef7228"),
    "title" : "My Blog Post",
    "content" : "Here's my blog post.",
    "date" : ISODate("2012-08-24T21:12:09.982Z"),
    "comments" : []
}
```

remove documents with the specified attributes values from a collection

```
> db.blog.remove({title : "My Blog Post"})
```



Selection: the first parameter of find() specify a set of conditions {field\_i: val\_i, field\_j.field\_k: val\_{jk}, ... } on different attributes as conjunctive conditions

```
db.users.find()
// all documents in users collection

db.restaurants.find( { "borough": "Manhattan"})
//documents with attribute "borough" and value "Manhattan"

db.users.find({"username": "joe", "age": 27})
//documents where "username": "joe" and "age": 27

db.users.find({"username": "joe", "address.city": "Paris"})
db.restaurants.find({"cuisine": "Italian", "address.zipcode": "10075"})
//condition with embedded document
```



- Projection: the second parameter of find()
  {field\_i: 1, field\_j: 0, ... } 1 if projected, 0 otherwise.
- $\square$  \_id key is returned by default.

```
db.users.find({}, {"username" : 1, "email" : 1})
db.users.find({}, {"username" : 1, "email" : 1, "_id":0})
db.restaurants.find({"cuisine":"Italian"}{"address.zipcode": 1})
```



- Selection operators on a single attribute  $\{field_i : \{\$operator : val_i\}, ...\}\}$
- \$ne can be used with any type

```
db.users.find({"age":{"$gte": 18, "$lte": 30}})
//users who are between 18 and 30

start = new Date("01/01/2007")
db.users.find({"registered": {"$lt": start}})

db.users.find({"username": {"$ne": "joe"}})

db.restaurants.find({ "borough": "Manhattan", "grades.score": { $gt: 30 } })

db.restaurants.find({ "grades.grade": { $in: [ "A", "B" ] } })

db.raffle.find({"ticket_no": {"$nin": [725, 542, 390]} })
```



- Selection operators on multiple attributes {\$operator : [condition\_i, condition\_i, ...]}
- Two ways to do an or query
  - \$in used to query for a variety of values for a single field.
  - \$or used to query for any of the given values across multiple fields.

```
db.raffle.find({"$and" : [{"ticket_no" : 725}, {"winner" : true}] })
db.restaurants.find({$or:[{"cuisine": "Italian"}, {"address.zipcode": "10075"}] })
```



### **Querying arrays**

Querying for an array, for an element i of an array.

```
{field: [val_1, val_2, ...] }; {field: val}; {field.i: val}
```

Querying for arrays of a given size \$size

```
db.food.insert({"fruit" : ["apple", "banana", "peach"]})
db.food.find({"fruit" : "banana"})//at least 1 of array elements matchs
db.food.find({"fruit":["apple", "banana", "peach"]})
//exact array match (including order)
db.food.find({$and : [{fruit:"apple"}, {fruit:"banana"}]})
//at least 2 of array elements are "apple" and "banana"
db.food.find({"fruit.2" : "peach"}) //element with index 2 is "peach"
db.food.find({"fruit" : {"$size" : 3}})
```



# **Querying arrays**

Querying for arrays that contain at least one element that matches all the specified query conditions (useful if more than one condition).

```
{field: {$elemMatch : {condition1}, {condition2}, ...} }
db.scores.find({ results: { $elemMatch: { $gte: 80, $lt: 85 } })
```

\$\infty\$ \$elemMatch won't match non-array elements.

```
>db.test.find()
{"x" : 5}{"x" : 15}{"x" : 25}{"x" : [5, 25]}
>db.test.find({"x" : {"$gt" : 10, "$lt" : 20}})
{"x" : 15}{"x" : [5, 25]}
>db.test.find({{"x" : {"$elemMatch" : {"$gt" : 10, "$lt" : 20}}})
// no results
```



# **Querying Arrays**

#### Embedded documents in Arrays

```
>db.blog.find()
 "content" : "...",
 "comments" : [
        {"author" : "joe", "score" : 3, "comment" : "nice post"},
        {"author" : "mary", "score" : 6, "comment" : "terrible post"}
>db.blog.find({"comments": {"author": "joe", "score": {"$gte": 5}}})
// no embedded document
>db.blog.find({"comments.author": "joe", "comments.score": {"$qte" : 5}})
// two embedded documents
>db.blog.find({"comments":{"$elemMatch":{"author":"joe","score":{"$gte" : 5}}}})
// no embedded document
```



\$slice operator can be used to return a subset of elements for an array attribute, also by taking an offset and the number of elements to return

```
db.blog.posts.find(\{\}, {"comments" : {"$slice" : 10}}) \the first 10 db.blog.posts.find(\{\}, {"comments" : {"$slice" : -10}}) \the last 10 db.blog.posts.find(\{\}, {"comments" : {"$slice" : [23, 10]}}) //skip the first 23 elements and return the 24th through 33th
```



### **Cursors**

```
> for(i=0; i<100; i++) db.collection.insert({x : i});
> var cursor = db.collection.find();
> while (cursor.hasNext()) {obj = cursor.next();}// do stuff
```

- Client-side cursors control the output of a query, limit the number of results, skip over some results
- When find is called, the client doesn't query the database immediately (only when the cursor start fetching),
- The cursor fetches the first 100 results or first 4 MB of results at once (by default) so that the next calls to next() or hasNext() will not have to make trips to the server.
- After the client has run through the first set of results, it will again ask the server for more results with a getMore() request (transparent).



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- On the server side, a cursor takes up memory and resources. Once a cursor runs out of results or the client sends a message telling it to die, the database can free the resources.
- A cursor automatically dies when it finishes iterating through the matching results, or after 10 minutes of inactivity.
- Many drivers have implemented a function called immortal, which tells the database not to time out the cursor. If you turn off a cursor's timeout, you must iterate through all of its results or kill it to make sure it gets closed.



#### **Cursors**

The most common query options are limiting the number of results returned, skipping a number of results, and sorting. All these options must be added before a query is sent to the database server.

```
> db.c.find().limit(3);
//only 3 matching documents are returned
> db.c.find().sort({username : 1, age : -1}).limit(3);
 //1 (ascending) or -1 (descending)
> db.c.find().sort({username : 1, age : -1}).skip(3);
//skip the first 3 matching documents
//If there are fewer than 3 documents, no results.
> var page1 = db.foo.find({}).limit(100)
> var page2 = db.foo.find({}).skip(100).limit(100)
> var page3 = db.foo.find({}).skip(200).limit(100) ...
```



### Aggregation

MongoDB provides aggregation capabilities using aggregate: {\$group: { id: groupingFields, field1: {function : exp }, ... } } \$group : {" id" : "\$dav"} \$group : {"\_id" : "\$grade"} \$group : {"\_id" : {"state" : "\$state", "city" : "\$city"}} Several aggregation operators as \$sum >db.restaurants.aggregate([{ \$group: { "\_id": "\$borough", "count": {\$sum:1}} }]) { " id" : "Staten Island", "count" : 969 } { "\_id" : "Brooklyn", "count" : 6086 } { " id" : "Manhattan", "count" : 10259 } { " id" : "Oueens", "count" : 5656 } { " id" : "Bronx", "count" : 2338 } { " id" : "Missing", "count" : 51 }

\$match filters documents so that you can run an aggregation on a subset of documents.

```
>db.restaurants.aggregate([
{ $match: { "borough": "Queens", "cuisine": "Brazilian" } },
{ $group: { "_id": "$address.zipcode" , "count": { $sum: 1 } } } ])
```



### **Aggregation**

\$project\$ and \$sort\$ aggregated documents, to retrieve the five most prolific authors.

```
>db.articles.aggregate(
{$project : {"author" : 1}},
{$group : {"_id": "$author", "count": {"$sum" : 1}}},
{$sort : {"count" : -1}},
{"$limit" : 5})
//groups the authors by name, increments "count"
// for each document an author appears in.
```

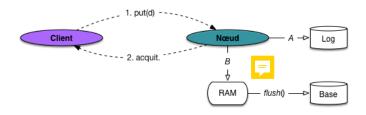
\$unwind turns each attribute of an array into a separate document.

```
>db.blog.aggregate(
{$project : {"comments" : 1}},
{$unwind : "$comments"},
{$match : {"comments.author" : "Mark"}})
```



### **MongoDB Replication**

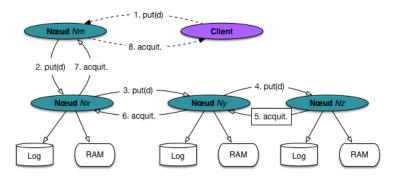
- Replication: a way of keeping identical copies of data on multiple servers (network nodes, cluster)
  - Availability
- Log file: common technique used to group write operations (history) on disk to ensure failover (failure recovery)





### **Replication**

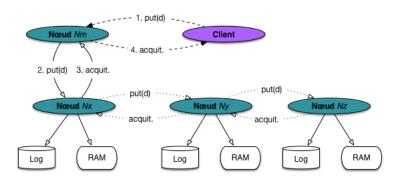
- Architecture Master-Slave
- Client application submits a write request of a document d to the master node  $N_m$
- Synchronous replication





### Replication

Asynchronous replication: Many variants





### MongoDB Replication: Setting up a Replica Set

- Create a replica set with MongoDB: a group of servers (instances)
  - one primary, the server taking client requests
  - multiple secondaries, servers that keep copies of the primary's data
- The secondary could be configured to accept reads but it does not accept the write.
- If the primary crashes, one of the secondaries will automatically be elected primary.



### **Sharding**

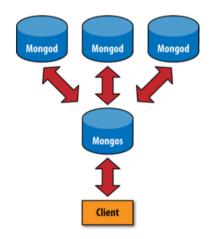
- Sharding: process of partitioning/distributing data (shards) across network nodes, also called horizontal partitioning
- Scalability, balancing data between servers increases their performance
- Could increase the latency especially when searches involve more than one shard
  - Latency: time needed in data communication over a network



### **MongoDB Sharding**

MongoDB supports auto-sharding using *MongoS* server: automates balancing data across shards.

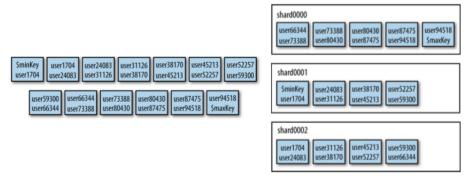






### **Sharding**

- When you shard a collection, you choose a shard key (index).
- Ex. the key is "username", data is split into chunks: ranges of usernames according to \$minKey and \$maxKey distributed across 3 shards.



The balancer regularly checks for imbalances between shards. If shards are imbalanced, it will migrate chunks.



### What about ACID properties with MongoDB

#### Atomicity:

MongoDB provides a <u>document</u>-wide transaction: writes are never partially applied to an inserted or updated document. The operation is atomic in the sense that it either fails or succeeds, for the document in its entirety (embedded documents).

#### Consistency:

In a replica set, the primary Mongo server is targeted with all the writes; single server consistency is easy to guarantee.

<u>Secondary nodes may be out of date with respect to the primary.</u> Consistency only guarantees that after a long enough period with no writes, they will get up to date.

#### Isolation:

MongoDB had a server-wide write lock! it's a perfect isolation mechanism. Read locks can be taken by multiple connections at the same time, as long as no one is writing. It's not really isolation since every operation is immediately visible to any other connection.

#### Durability:

is the guarantee that an operation that is committed will survive permanently. MongoDB has highly durability settings: database files committed every 60 seconds; the operation journal committed every 100 milliseconds.



### Which requirements with MongoDB

- MongoDB does <u>not support transactions</u>, so systems that require transactions should use another data store.
  - → Multi-Document ACID Transactions in Release MongoDB 4.0.
- Scalability is a fast and flexible NoSQL database service for all applications that need consistent, single-digit millisecond latency at any scale.
- Denormalization: embedding documents in a document instead of references to these documents (redundancy). Applications must update all the documents to keep consistency.
- Deciding when to normalize and when to denormalize can be difficult. Need to find what trade-offs make sense for your application.
- Autonomous documents facilitates the distribution and its balancing.
- Joining different collections of documents across different nodes is not suitable.



### Which requirements with MongoDB

In a distributed system, managing CAP theorem is important.

**consistency(C)**: Every read receives the most recent write or an error. Every node sees the same version.

<u>availability(A)</u>: Every request receives a (non-error) response – without guarantee that it contains the most recent write

partition toleration(P): The system continues to operate despite an arbitrary number of messages being dropped (or delayed) by the network between nodes

CAP theorem states that it is impossible for a distributed database to simultaneously provide more than two out of these three guarantees at each time t.

