Projection: Getting only what you need

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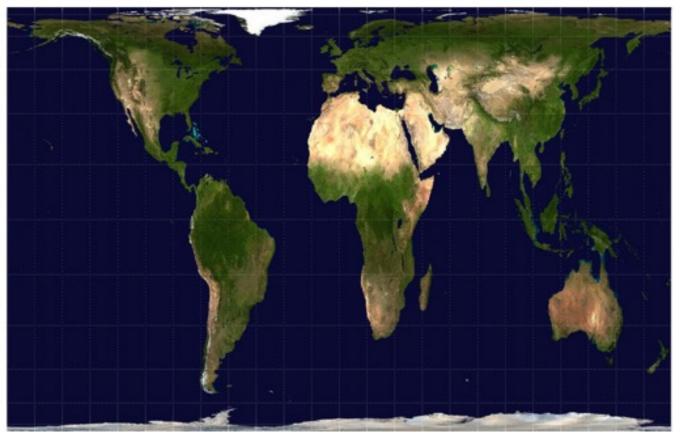


What is "projection"?

- reducing data to fewer dimensions
- asking certain data to "speak up"!

Mercator projection

Gall-Peters projection



Projection in MongoDB

<pymongo.cursor.Cursor at 0x10d6e69e8>

Projection as a dictionary:

- Include fields: "field_name" : 1
- "_id" is included by default

Projection in MongoDB

```
<pymongo.cursor.Cursor at 0x10d6e69e8>
```

```
# convert to list and slice
list(docs)[:3]
```

Missing fields

```
[{'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1dff'),
  'firstname': 'United Nations Peacekeeping Forces'},
  {'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1df3'),
  'firstname': 'Amnesty International'},
  ...
]
```

Projection as a list

• list the fields to include

```
["field_name1", "field_name2"]
```

"_id" is included by default

Missing fields

```
[{'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1dff'),
  'firstname': 'United Nations Peacekeeping Forces'},
  {'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1df3'),
  'firstname': 'Amnesty International'},
  ...
]
```

- only projected fields that exist are returned

```
docs = db.laureates.find({}, ["favoriteIceCreamFlavor"])
list(docs)
```

```
[{'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1dff')},
    {'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1df3')},
    {'_id': ObjectId('5bc56154f35b634065ba1db1')},
    ...
]
```

Simple aggregation

```
docs = db.laureates.find({}, ["prizes"])

n_prizes = 0
for doc in :
    # count the number of pizes in each doc
    n_prizes += len(doc["prizes"])
print(n_prizes)
```

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```
# using comprehension
sum([len(doc["prizes"]) for doc in docs])
```

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Let's project!

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Sorting

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Sorting post-query with Python

```
docs = list(db.prizes.find({"category": "physics"}, ["year"]))
print([doc["year"] for doc in docs][:5])
 ['2018', '2017', '2016', '2015', '2014']
from operator import itemgetter
docs = sorted(docs, key=itemgetter("year"))
print([doc["year"] for doc in docs][:5])
 '1901', '1902', '1903', '1904', '1905']
docs = sorted(docs, key=itemgetter("year"), reverse=True)
print([doc["year"] for doc in docs][:5])
 '2018', '2017', '2016', '2015<mark>'</mark>, '2014']
```



Sorting in-query with MongoDB

```
cursor = db.prizes.find({"category": "physics"}, ["year"],
                        sort=[("year", 1)])
print([doc["year"] for doc in cursor][:5])
['1901', '1902', '1903', '1904', '1905']
cursor = db.prizes.find({"category": "physics"}, ["year"],
                        sort=[("year", -1)])
print([doc["year"] for doc in cursor][:5])
```

```
['2018', '2017', '2016', '2015', '2014']
```

Primary and secondary sorting

```
1967 physics
1967 medicine
1967 literature
1967 chemistry
1968 physics
1968 peace
1968 medicine
1968 literature
1968 chemistry
1969 physics
1969 peace
1969 peace
1969 medicine
1969 ilterature
1969 peace
1969 medicine
1969 peace
1969 peace
```



Sorting with pymongo versus MongoDB shell

In MongoDB shell:

- Example sort argument: {"year": 1, "category": -1}
- JavaScript objects retain key order as entered

In Python (< 3.7):

```
{"year": 1, "category": 1}

{'category': 1, 'year': 1}

[("year", 1), ("category", 1)]

[('year', 1), ('category', 1)]
```



Let's get sorted!

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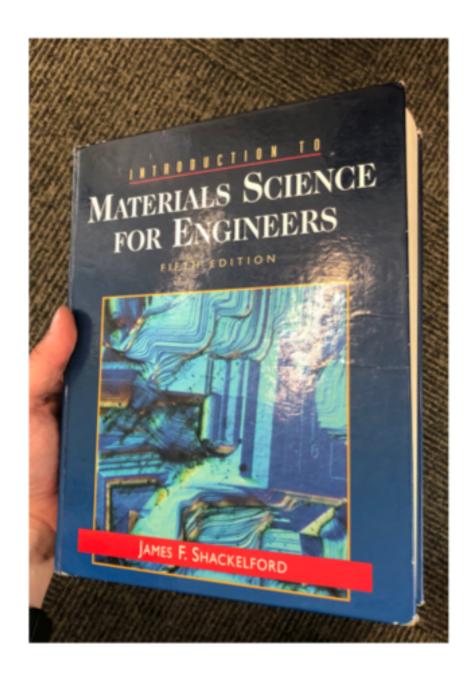


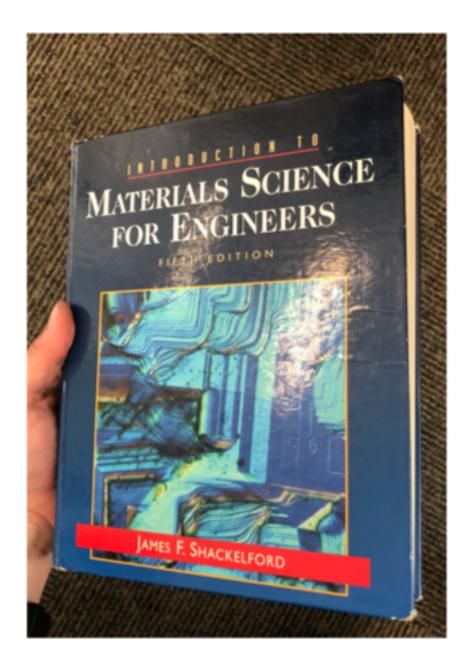
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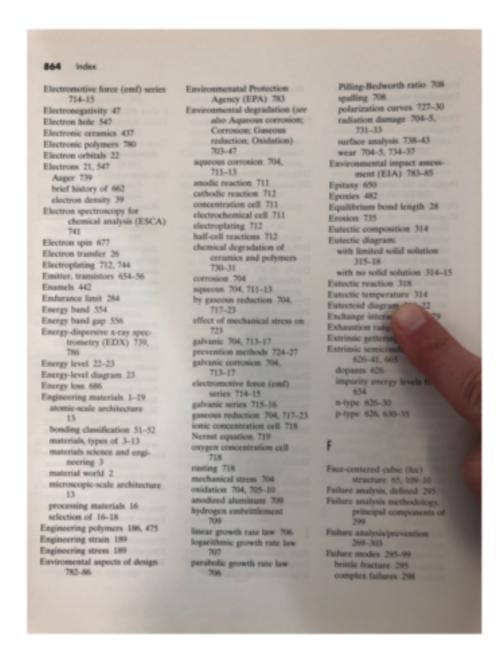


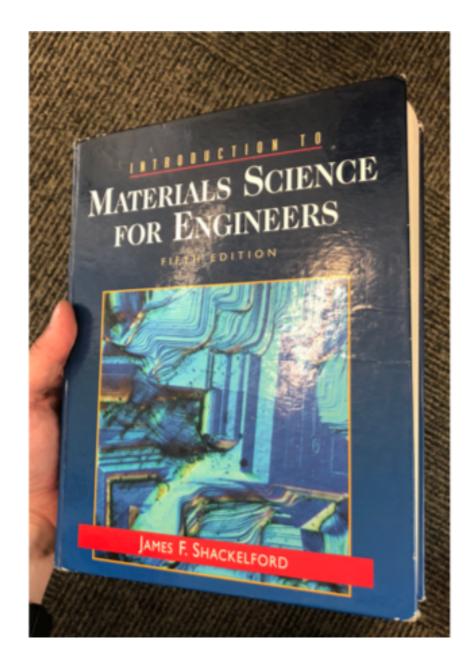
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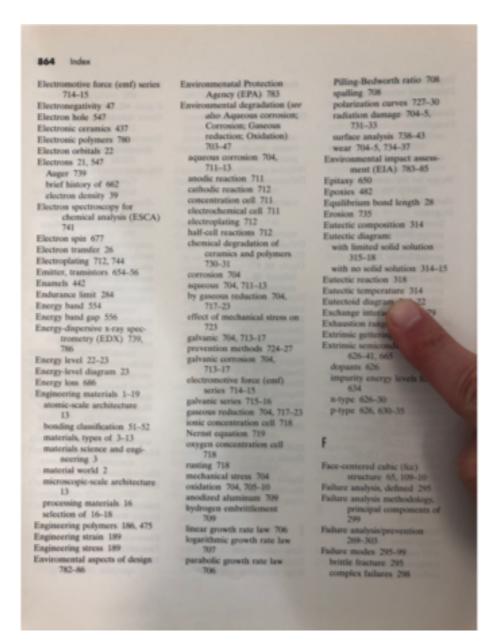


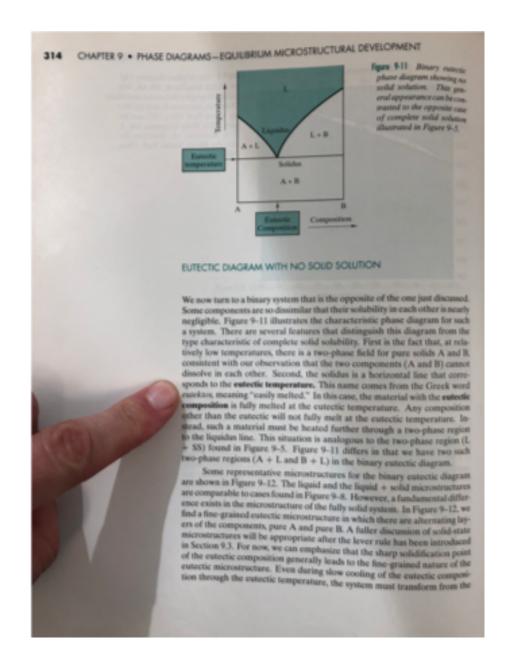












When to use indexes?

- Queries with high specificity
- Large documents
- Large collections

Gauging performance before indexing

```
%%timeit
docs = list(db.prizes.find({"year": "1901"}))
```

```
524 \mus \pm 7.34 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
```

```
%%timeit
docs = list(db.prizes.find({}, sort=[("year", 1)]))
```

```
5.18 ms \pm 54.9 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)
```



Adding a single-field index

- index model: list of (field, direction) pairs.
- directions: 1 (ascending) and -1 (descending)

```
db.prizes.create_index([("year", 1)])
```

```
'year_1'
```

```
%%timeit
# Previously: 524 μs ± 7.34 μs
docs = list(db.prizes.find({"year": "1901"}))
```

```
379 μs ± 1.62 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
```

```
%%timeit
# Previously: 5.18 ms ± 54.9 µs
docs = list(db.prizes.find({}, sort=[("year", 1)]))
```

```
4.28 ms ± 95.7 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)
```

```
4.28 ms \pm 95.7 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs,
```

Adding a compound (multiple-field) index

```
db.prizes.create_index([("category", 1), ("year", 1)])
```

index "covering" a query with projection

```
# Before
645 μs ± 3.87 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
# After
503 μs ± 4.37 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
```

index "covering" a query with projection and sorting

```
# Before
673 μs ± 3.36 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
# After
407 μs ± 5.51 μs per loop
(mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)
```

Learn more: ask your collection and your queries

'inputStage': {'stage': 'COLLSCAN',

```
'winningPlan': {'stage': 'PROJECTION',
   'transformBy': {'bornCountry': 1, '_id': 0},
   'inputStage': {'stage': 'IXSCAN',
    'keyPattern': {'firstname': 1, 'bornCountry': 1},
    'indexName': 'firstname_1_bornCountry_1',
...
```

Let's practice!

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Limits and Skips with Sorts, Oh My!

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Limiting our exploration

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}):
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2017 chemistry
2017 medicine
2016 chemistry
2015 chemistry
2014 physics
2014 chemistry
2013 chemistry
...
```

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}, limit=3):
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2017 chemistry
2017 medicine
2016 chemistry
```

Skips and paging through results

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}, limit=3):
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2017 chemistry
2017 medicine
2016 chemistry
```

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}, skip=3, limit=3)
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2015 chemistry
2014 physics
2014 chemistry
```

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}, skip=6, limit=3)
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2013 chemistry
2013 medicine
2013 economics
```

Using cursor methods for {sort, skip, limit}

```
for doc in db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}).limit(3):
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2017 chemistry
2017 medicine
2016 chemistry
```

```
for doc in (db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}).skip(3).limit(3
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
```

```
2015 chemistry
2014 physics
2014 chemistry
```

```
1954 medicine
1956 physics
1956 medicine
```

Simpler sorts of sort

```
cursor1 = (db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}).skip(3).limit(3)
          .sort([("year", 1)]))
cursor2 = (db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}).skip(3).limit(3)
          .sort("year", 1))
cursor3 = (db.prizes.find({"laureates.share": "3"}).skip(3).limit(3)
          .sort("year"))
docs = list(cursor1)
assert docs == list(cursor2) == list(cursor3)
for doc in docs:
    print("{year} {category}".format(**doc))
1954 medicine
1956 physics
1956 medicine
doc = db.prizes.find_one({"laureates.share": "3"},
```



Limit or Skip Practice? Exactly.

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