Node.js: MVC Architecture
MongoDB Introduction

Week 8 Lecture

Outline

- Implementing MVC basics
  - Application Folder Structure
  - CommonsJS modules
  - Controller and Routers
- Session Management
- Database layer

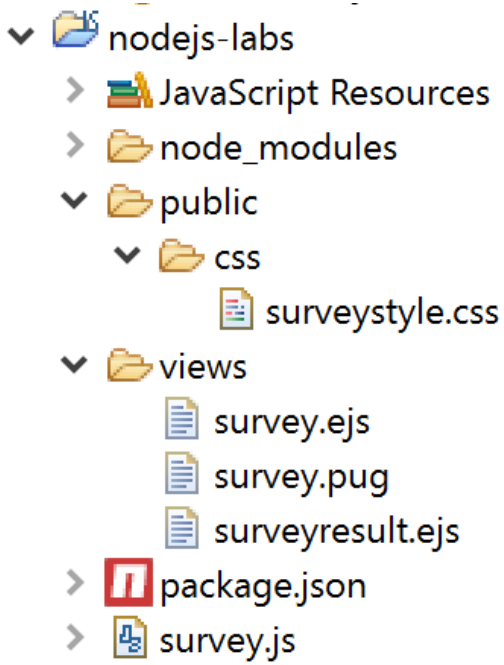
The small app in week 6 lab

```
var express = require('express')
var path = require('path')
var bodyParser = require('body-parser');

var app = express()
var products=['iphone 7', 'huawei p9', 'Pixel XL', 'Samsung S7']
var surveyresults = { fp:[0,0,0,0],mp:[0,0,0,0]}
app.use(express.static(path.join(__dirname, 'public')));
app.use(bodyParser.json())
app.use(bodyParser.urlencoded())
app.set('views', path.join(__dirname,'views'));

app.get('/', function(req,res){
    res.render('survey.pug',{products:products})
});

app.post('/survey', function(req,res){
    console.log(req.body);
    gender = req.body.gender
    …
    res.render('surveyresult.ejs', {products: products, surveyresults: surveyresults})
});
app.listen(3000, function () {
  console.log('survey app listening on port 3000!')
})
```

Application scope variables

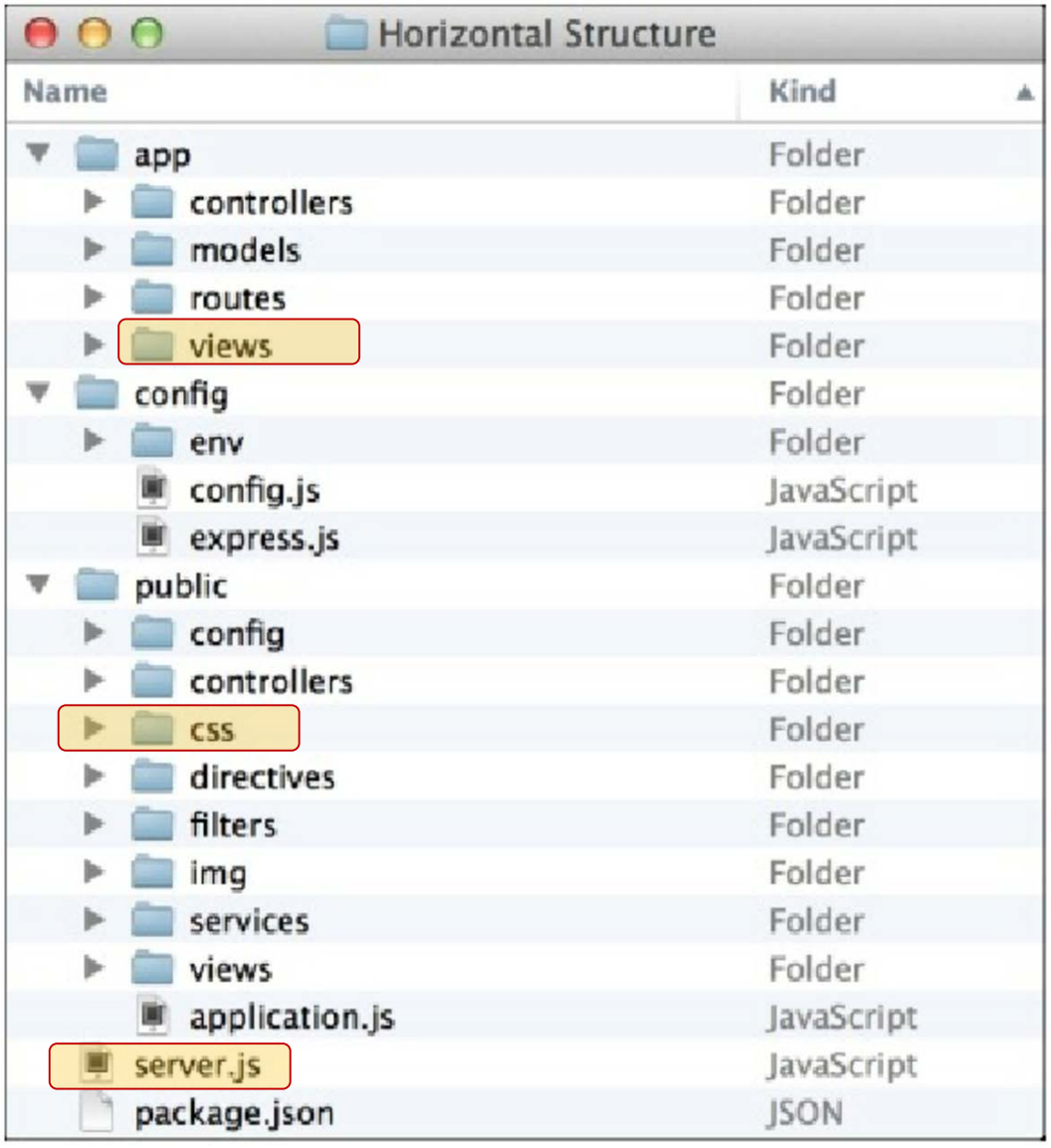
Request scope variables

Several Issues



- There is a *single* JS file with all settings and route methods
- Large application will have many route methods and some are related
  - Modular controller and route mappings
- Data sharing
  - Application scope variable
  - Request scope variable
  - Session scope variable
- We don't have separated model yet!

Application folder structure



CommonsJS module standard

- A file based module system to solve JavaScript single global namespace issue
  - Each file is its own module
- Three key components:
  - **requires():** this method is used to load the module into the current code
    - Eg: require(express)
  - **exports**: this object is contained in each module and allows you to expose piece of your code when the module is loaded.
  - **module**: refers to the current module definition (metadata).

Writing our own module

hello.js

```
var message = 'Hello';

module.exports.sayHello=function(){
        console.log(message);
}
exports.sayBye=function(){
        console.log("Bye")
}
```

module.exports and **exports** are equivalent, both referring to the object exposed by the module

We can expose many methods by defining them as properties of the **module.exports** object.

Hello_client.js

```
var hello = require('./hello');
hello.sayHello()
hello.sayBye()
```

Calling **require(…)** in the client code would return the **modules.exports** object. Our h which has exposed two methods

Writing Controller(s)

survey.server.controller.js

```
var express = require('express')

module.exports.showForm=function(req,res){
    products = req.app.locals.products
    res.render('survey.pug',{products:products})
}

module.exports.showResult=function(req,res){
    console.log(req.body);
    gender = req.body.gender
    productidx = req.body.vote;
    products = req.app.locals.products;
    surveyresults = req.app.locals.surveyresults;
    if (gender == 0)
        surveyresults.mp[productidx]++;
    else
        surveyresults.fp[productidx]++;
    res.render('surveyresult.pug', {products: products,
          surveyresults: surveyresults})
}
```

This controller module exposes two methods: **showForm** is used for displaying the form; **showReulsult** is used for showing the results

The methods are not mapped to URL yet

req.app.locals is used to share application scope variables

Each request object has a reference to the current running express application: **req.app**

app.locals is used to store properties that are local variables within the application (application scope data)

Mapping Controller to URL

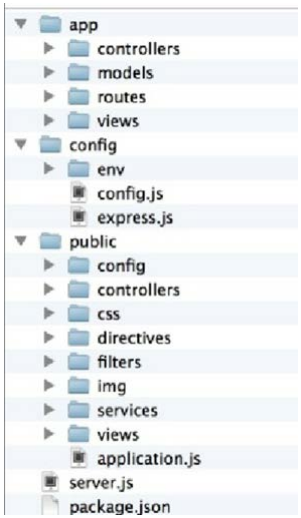
survey.server.routes.js

```
var express = require('express')
var controller = require('../controllers/survey.server.controller')
var router = express.Router()

router.get('/', controller.showForm)
router.post('/survey', controller.showResult)
module.exports = router
```

server.js

```
var express = require('express');
var path = require('path')
var bodyParser = require('body-parser');

var survey = require('../routes/survey.server.routes')

var app = express()
app.locals.products=['iphone 7', 'huawei p9', 'Pixel XL', 'Samsung S7']
app.locals.surveyresults = {
    fp:[0,0,0,0], mp:[0,0,0,0]
}

app.set('views', path.join(__dirname,'views'));
app.use(express.static(path.join(__dirname, 'public')));
app.use(bodyParser.json())
app.use(bodyParser.urlencoded())
app.use('/survey', survey)
app.listen(3000, function () {
  console.log('survey app listening on port 3000!')
})
```

Set the two application scope variables



Get request send to /survey will display the form
Post request send to /survey/survey will show the result

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Variable Scopes

- *Application scope* data is available through out the application
- *Request scope* data is available just to components handling the current request (controller, view, model)
- **Session scope** data is available across multiple related requestions
  - When a user logs in to web mail server, all subsequent requests are within a session until session expires or user logs out
  - Many websites, eg. Ecommerce web site creates default session for users that expires are a predefined period of inactivitiy.
  - Session management is implemented as middleware function in module **express-session**

Session

- Session is a mechanism to associate a series of requests coming from a client.
  - A conversational state between the client and the server
- HTTP is stateless
  - By default, each request is a session!
  - To maintain a conversational state
    - A server needs to remember what has been going on for EACH client
    - A client needs to send some data to identify self
    - Also a mechanism to control the start/end of a session

How does session work in general

- Client sends the first request
- The server creates an ID for the client and a session object to store session data, the ID is associated with the object
  - A server can maintain many sessions simultaneously hence multiple session objects, each with an ID to identify it
- The server executes predefined business logic for that request and sends back the response together with the ID to the client
- The client stores the ID and associates it with the server
  - A client may maintain many sessions with different servers simultaneously, hence it is important to remember which ID belongs to which server
- When the client sends a second request to this server, it attaches the ID with the request
- The server extracts the ID and use it to find the session data associated with this particular client and make it available to the current request

On the server side

- How can server remembers client state?
  - An object to hold conversational state across multiple requests from the same client identified by a key or ID.
  - It stays for an entire session with a specific client
  - We can use it to store everything about a particular client.
  - Stay in memory mostly but can be persisted in a database

Where does clients stores the ID?

- A cookie is a small piece of information stored on a client's computer by the **browser**
- Each browser has its own way to store cookies either in a **text file** or in a **lightweight database**
- Each browser manages its own cookies.
- Since a browser stores cookies from various websites, it also needs a way to identify cookie for a particular site.
- Cookies are identified by {name, domain, path}
- The following are two cookies from different domain

cookie 1
name = **connect.id**
value = s%3AKTObttJqW0k6aVrHB
domain = **localhost**
path = **/**

cookie 2
name = **name**
value = Joe
domain = **web.it.usyd.edu.au**
path = **/~comp5347/doc/**

Associate web sites/pages and Cookies

- Browser would associate/send all cookies in the URL scope:
  - cookie-domain is domain-suffix of URL-domain, and
  - cookie-path is prefix of URL-path
- An example
  - Page http://web.cs.usyd.edu.au/~comp5347/doc/cookie.html will have cookie 2 and 3, cookie 1 is not associated with this page

cookie 1	cookie 2	cookie 3
name = **name**	name = **name**	name = _utma
value = Paul	value = Joe	value = 223117855…
domain = web.it.usyd.edu.au	domain = web.cs.usyd.edu.au	domain =.usyd.edu.au
path = **/~info5010/comp5347/**	path = /~comp5347/doc/	path = **/**

express-session

- Express application's session management is implemented as middleware function in module **express-session**
- Module **express-session** uses cookie based session management where a small cookie is created to store session id.
  - Cookies are managed by browsers, different browsers have different cookie store
    - If a user visits the same web site using two different browsers at the same time, the users' requests would be put into two sessions

Session aware survey

- Requirements: to prevent abuse of the survey system, we want to ensure that a user cannot vote more than once in a certain period of time (session expire period) ‘using the same browser’.
- Simple solution:
  - add a session scope variable **vote** to store a user’s previous vote
  - Each time a user clicks the submit bottom, check if variable **vote** exists, if true, discard the current vote; else, set the variable to the current vote in session scope and update the results.
  - Session scope (object) is accessible to all request as: **req.session**

Session-aware survey

surveysession.server.controller.js

```
var express = require('express')

module.exports.showForm=function(req,res){
    products = req.app.locals.products
    res.render('surveysession.pug',{products:products})
}

module.exports.showResult=function(req,res){
    gender = req.body.gender
    productidx = req.body.vote;
    products = req.app.locals.products;
    surveyresults = req.app.locals.surveyresults;
    sess=req.session;
    if ("vote" in sess)
        res.render('surveysessionresult.pug', {products: products, surveyresults: surveyresults})
    else{
        sess.vote = productidx;
        gender = req.body.gender
        productidx = req.body.vote;
        if (gender == 0)
            surveyresults.mp[productidx]++;
        else
            surveyresults.fp[productidx]++;
        res.render('surveysessionresult.pug', {products: products, surveyresults: surveyresults})
    }
}
```

Routes and server.js

surveysession.server.routes.js

```
var express = require('express')
var router = express.Router()
var controller = require('../controllers/surveysession.server.controller')

router.get('/', controller.showForm)
router.post('/survey', controller.showResult)
module.exports = router
```

server.js

```
var express = require('express');
var path = require('path')
var bodyParser = require('body-parser');
var session = require('express-session');

var surveysession = require('./routes/surveysession.server.routes')

var app = express()
app.locals.products=['iphone 7', 'huawei p9', 'Pixel XL', 'Samsung S7']
app.locals.surveyresults = {fp:[0,0,0,0],mp:[0,0,0,0]}

app.set('views', path.join(__dirname,'views'));
app.use(express.static(path.join(__dirname, 'public')));
app.use(bodyParser.json())
app.use(bodyParser.urlencoded())
app.use(session({secret: 'ssshhhhh',cookie:{maxAge:600000}}));
app.use('/session',surveysession)
app.listen(3000, function () {
  console.log('survey app listening on port 3000!')
})
```

The session will expire in 30 minutes

Cookies sent by server

Headers | Preview | Response | Cookies | Timing

General

Request URL: http://localhost:3000/session/survey
Request Method: POST
Status Code: 200 OK
Remote Address: [::1]:3000
Referrer Policy: no-referrer-when-downgrade

Response Headers view source

Connection: keep-alive
Content-Length: 528
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Date: Thu, 27 Apr 2017 05:28:28 GMT
ETag: W/"210-qvEhtChv4kCPeGUXPZKpf8P04/8"
set-cookie: connect.sid=s%3AcSdR88-T6fheXi0LfxJSjDkI_z86X9LQ.h0xUAbhDZqUf8irgdnnINTTlzbl%2B6aFWjyVmDZxeiY8; Path=/; Expires=Thu, 27 Apr 2017 05:38:28 GMT; HttpOnly
X-Powered-By: Express

Cookies and site data

Site	Locally stored data	Remove all shown	localhost
localhost	1 cookie		

connect.sid

Name:	connect.sid
Content:	s%3AcSdR88-T6fheXi0LfxJSjDkI_z86X9LQ.h0xUAbhDZqUf8irgdnnINTTlzbl%2B6aFWjyVmDZxeiY8
Domain:	localhost
Path:	/
Send for:	Any kind of connection
Accessible to script:	No (HttpOnly)
Created:	Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 3:28:28 PM
Expires:	Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 3:38:28 PM

Remove

Request Headers view source

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.8
Cache-Control: no-cache
Connection: keep-alive
Content-Length: 15
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Cookie: connect.sid=s%3AKTObttJqW0k6aVrHBQ80po9ZPY0qQbG7.e

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NoSQL Brief Introduction

- NoSQL (Not Only SQL) is a term used to encompass the general trend of a new generation of database servers.
  - These servers were created in response to challenges that were not being met by traditional SQL (Structured Query Language)
  - Scalability, flexible schema, object relational mismatch, etc
- Broad categories of NoSQL systems
  - Document Storage (e.g. MongoDB)
  - Key-Value Storage
  - Column based Storage
  - Graph database

Document Storage and MongoDB

- Document storage system is based on the concept of *self describing* documents.
  - Each entity is stored as a document as opposed to record(row) in typical SQL
  - Two dominant self-describing document formats
    - XML
    - JSON (JavaScript Object Notation)

```
Invoice _1= {    customer: {name: "John", address: "Sydney"},
                 product: { code: "123", quantity: 2}
             }
```

```
Invoice _2= {    customer: {name: "Smith", address: "Melbourne"},
                 product: { code: "xyz", quantity: 20},
                 delivery: "express"
             }
```

JSON Data Format

- JSON (**J**ava**S**cript **O**bject **N**otation) is a simple way to represent JavaScript objects as strings.
- JSON was introduced in 1999 as an alternative to XML for data exchange.
  - It replaces XML for data storage as well
- Each JSON object is represented as a list of property names and values contained in curly braces, in the following format:

```
{ propertyName1 : value1, propertyName2 : value2 }
```

- Arrays are represented in JSON with square brackets in the following format:

```
[ value1, value2, value3 ]
```

Matching Terms in SQL and MongoDB

SQL	MongoDB
Database	Database
Table	Collection
Index	Index
Row	BSON document
Column	BSON field
Primary key	`_id` field
Join	Embedding and referencing $lookup in aggregation (since 3.2)

MongoDB Document Model

`users` table in RDBMS

Column name is part of schema

TFN	Name	Email	age
12345	Joe Smith	joe@gmail.com	30
54321	Mary Sharp	mary@gmail.com	27

two rows

Field name is part of data

```
{ _id: 12345,
  name: “Joe Smith”,
  email: “joe@gmail.com”,
  age: 30
}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”,
  email: “mary@gmail.com”,
  age: 27
}
```

two documents

Native Support for Array

```
{ _id: 12345,
  name: “Joe Smith”,
  emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”],
  age: 30
}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”,
  email: “mary@gmail.com”,
  age: 27
}
```

TFN	Name	Email	age
12345	Joe Smith	joe@gmail.com , joe@ibm.com ??	30
54321	Mary Sharp	mary@gmail.com	27

Native Support for Embedded Document

```
{ _id: 12345,
  name: “Joe Smith”,
  email: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”],
  age: 30
}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”,
  email: “mary@gmail.com”,
  age: 27,
  address: { number: 1,
             name: “cleveland street”,
             suburb: “chippendale”,
             zip: 2008
           }
}
```

TFN	Name	Email	age	address
12345	Joe Smith	joe@gmail.com	30	
54321	Mary Sharp	mary@gmail.com	27	1 cleveland street, chippendale, NSW 2008

MongoDB data types

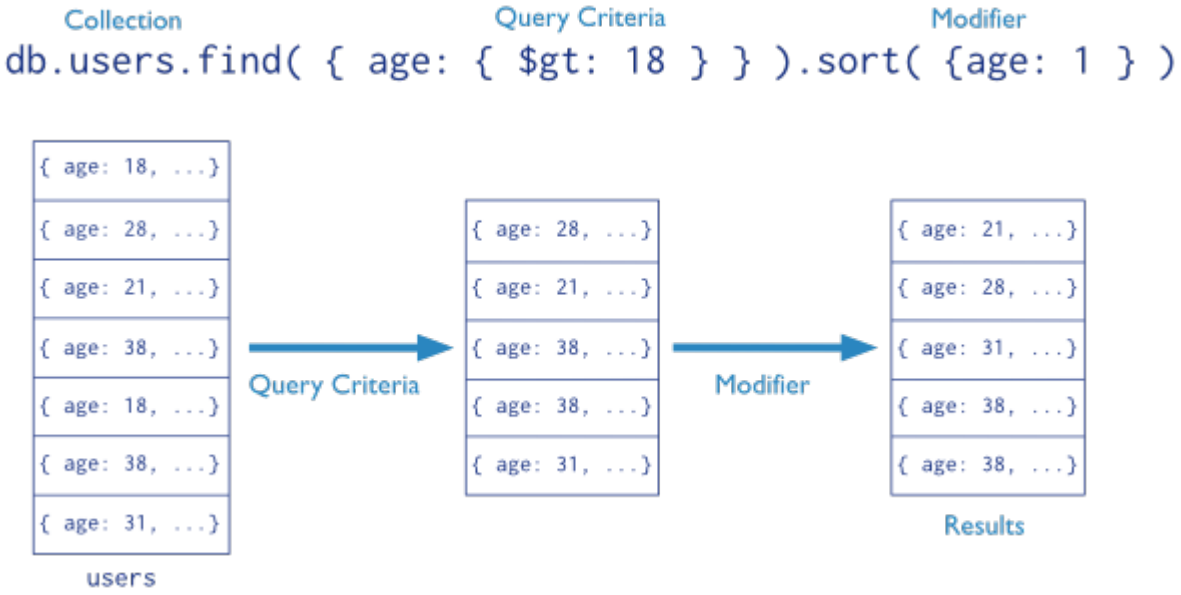
- Primitive types
  - String, integer, boolean (true/false), double, null
- Predefined special types
  - Date, object id, binary data, regular expression, timestamp, and a few more
  - DB Drivers implement them in language-specific way
  - The interactive shell provides constructors for all
    - ISODate("2012-09-11 18:00:00")
- Array and object
- Field name is of **string** type with certain restrictions
  - "_id" is reserved for primary key
  - cannot start with "$", cannot contain "." or null

MongoDB Queries

- In MongoDB, a ***read*** query targets a specific collection. It specifies **criteria**, and may include a **projection** to specify fields from the matching documents; it may include **modifier** to limit, skip, or sort the results.

- A ***write*** query may *create*, *update* or *delete* data. One query modifies the data of a single collection. Update and delete query can specify query **criteria**

Read Query Example



Find documents in the **users** collection with **age** field greater than 18, sort the results in ascending order by **age**

Read Query Interface

- db.collection.find()

```
db.users.find(                          ← collection
   { age: { $gt: 18 } },                ← query criteria
   { name: 1, address: 1 }              ← projection
).limit(5)                              ← cursor modifier
```

Find at most 5 documents in the **users** collection with **age** field greater than 18, return only the name and address field of each document.

```
SELECT _id, name, address   ← projection
FROM   users                ← table
WHERE  age > 18             ← select criteria
LIMIT  5                    ← cursor modifier
```

Read Query Features

- Users can find data using any criteria in MongoDB
  - Does not require indexing
  - Indexing can improve performance (next week)
  - JOIN is not supported in read query!!
- Query **criteria** are expressed as BSON document (query object)
  - Individual is expressed using predefined selection operator, eg. **$lt** is the operator for "greater than"
- Query **projection** are expressed as BSON document as well

SQL	MongoDB Query in Shell
select * from user	db.user.find() or db.user.find({})
select name, age from user	db.user.find({},{name:1,age:1,_id:0})
select * from user where name = "Joe Smith"	db.user.find({name: "Joe Smith"})
select * from user where age < 30	db.user.find({age: {$lt:30}})

Querying Array field

- Querying array field is similar to querying simple type field
  - db.user.find({emails: “joe@gmail.com”})
    - Find a user whose email include “joe@gmail.com”.
  - db.user.find({“emails.0”: “joe@gmail.com”})
    - Find a user whose first email is “joe@gmail.com”.

```
{ _id: 12345,
  name: “Joe Smith”,
  emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”],
  age: 30}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”,
  email: “mary@gmail.com”,
  age: 27}
```

http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/tutorial/query-documents/#arrays

Querying Embedded Document

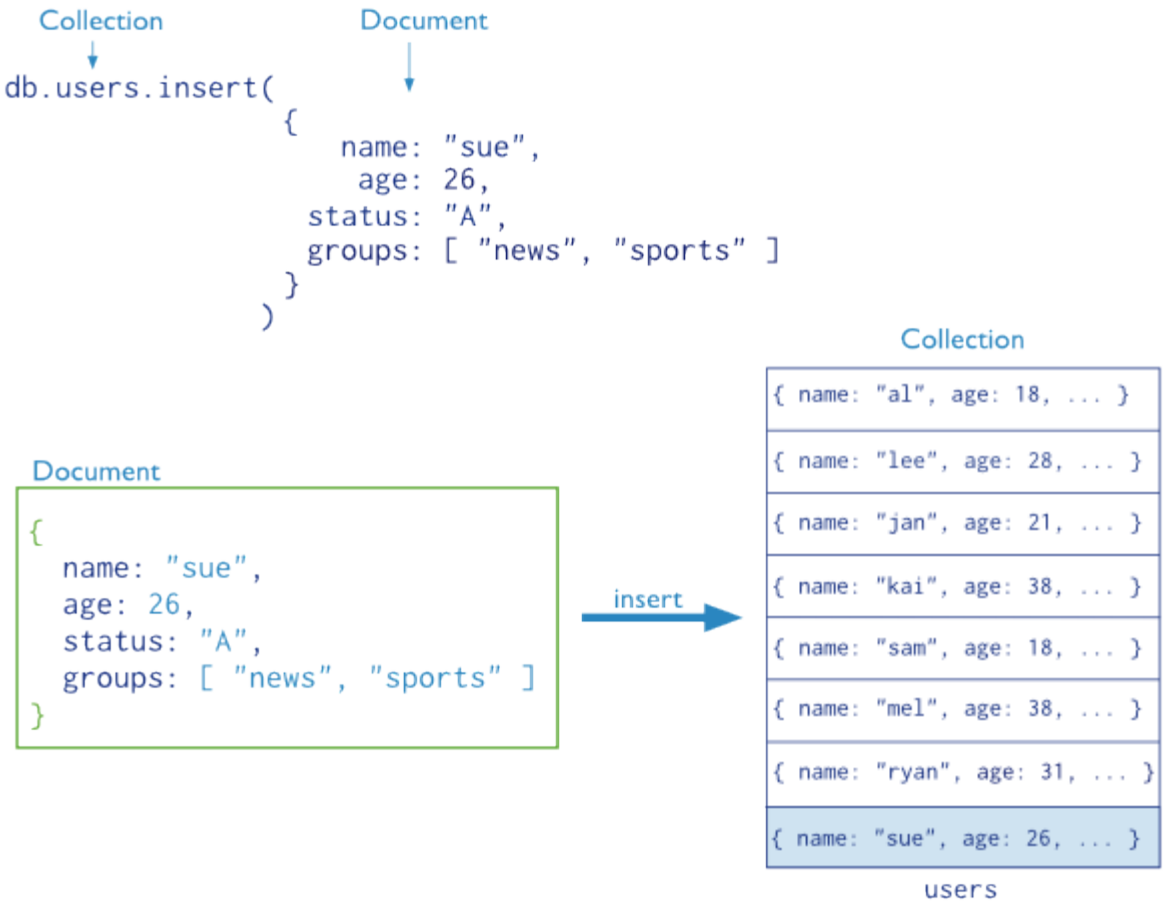
- Embedded Document can be queried as a **whole**, or by **individual field**, or by **combination of individual fields**
  - db.user.find({**address**: {number: 1, name: “pine street”, suburb: “chippendale”, zip: 2008}})
  - db.user.find({**“address.suburb”:** “chippendale”})
  - db.user.find({**address**: {**$elemMatch**: {name: “pine street”, suburb: “chippendale”}})

```
{ _id: 12345,
  name: “Joe Smith”, email: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”], age: 30,
  address: {number: 1, name: “pine street”, suburb: “chippendale”, zip: 2008 }
}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”, email: “mary@gmail.com”,age: 27,
  address: { number: 1, name: “cleveland street”,suburb: “chippendale”,zip: 2008 }
}
```

http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/tutorial/query-documents/#embedded-documents

Write Query- Insert



Insert a new document in **users** collection.

Insert Example

- db.user.insert({**_id: 12345**, name: “Joe Smith”, emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”],age: 30})
- db.user.insert({ _id: 54321, name: “Mary Sharp”, email: “mary@gmail.com”, age: 27, address: { number: 1, name: “cleveland street”, suburb: “chippendale”, zip: 2008}})

user collection

```
{ _id: 12345, name: “Joe Smith”,
  emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”],
age: 30
}
```

```
{ _id: 54321,
  name: “Mary Sharp”, email: “mary@gmail.com”, age: 27,
  address: { number: 1,
             name: “cleveland street”,
             suburb: “chippendale”,
             zip: 2008
           }
}
```

Insert Behavior

- If the new document does not contain an "**_id**" field, the system will adds an "**_id**" field and assign a unique value to it.
- If the new document does contain an "**_id**" field, it should have a unique value

Write Operation - Update

```
db.users.update(                          <-- collection
   { age: { $gt: 18 } },                  <-- update criteria
   { $set: { status: "A" } },             <-- update action
   { multi: true }                        <-- update option
)
```

Has the same effect as the following SQL:

```
UPDATE users          <-- table
SET    status = 'A'   <-- update action
WHERE  age > 18       <-- update criteria
```

Updates operators

- Modifying simple field: $set, $unset
  - db.user.update({_id: 12345}, {$set: {age: 29}})
  - db.user.update({_id:54321}, {$unset: {email:1}}) // remove the field
- Modifying array elements: $push, $pushAll, $pull, $pullAll
  - db.user.update({_id: 12345}, {$push: {emails: “joe@hotmail.com”}})
  - db.user.update({_id: 54321},
    {$pushAll: {emails: [“mary@gmail.com”, “mary@microsoft.com”]}})
  - db.user.update({_id: 12345}, {$pull: {emails: “joe@ibm.com”}})

{ **_id: 12345**, name: “Joe Smith”, emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@ibm.com”], age: 30}	{ **_id: 12345**, name: “Joe Smith”, emails: [“joe@gmail.com”, “joe@hotmail.com”], age: 29}
{ **_id: 54321**, name: “Mary Sharp”, email: “mary@gmail.com”, age: 27}	{ **_id: 54321**, name: “Mary Sharp”, emails: [“mary@gmail.com”, “mary@microsoft.com”] age: 27}

Write Operation - Delete

- db.user.remove();
  - Remove all documents in user collection
- db.user.remove({_id: 12345})
  - Remove document with a particular id from user collection

Aggregation

- Simple and relatively standard data analytics can be achieved through **aggregation**
  - Grouping, summing up value, counting, sorting, etc
  - Running on the DB engine instead of application layer

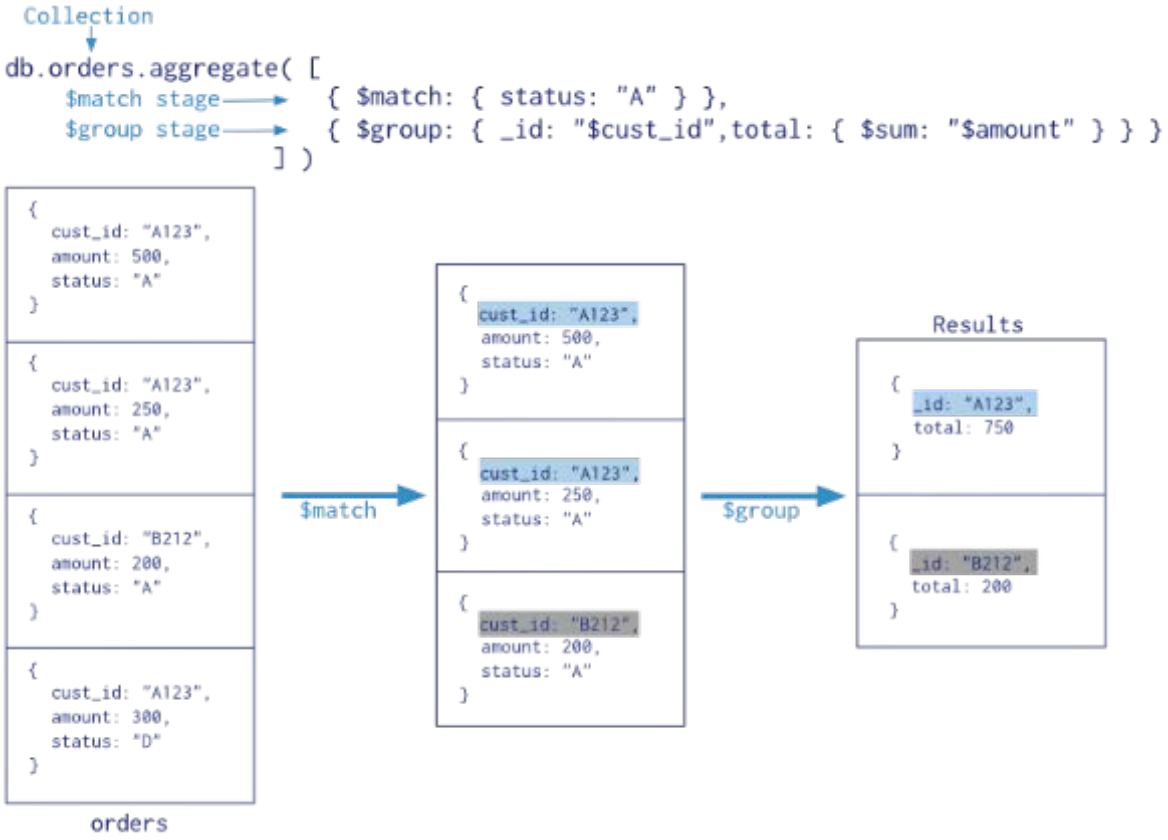
- Several options
  - Aggregation Pipeline
  - MapReduce
    - Through JavaScript Functions
    - Performance is not as good as aggregation pipeline for simple aggregation tasks
    - Is able to do customized aggregations

Aggregation Pipeline

- Aggregation pipeline consists of multiple stages
  - Stages are specified using **pipeline operators** such as **$match, $group, $sort** and so on
    - This is similar to SQL's WHERE, GROUP BY, SORT BY etc
    - Each stage is expressed as an object enclosed by curly bracket
  - Various **expressions** can be specified in each stage
    - To filter documents or to perform simple calculation on an document
      - `$substr`, `$size`, etc, …
  - **`$group`** stage can specify **accumulators** to perform calculation on documents with the same group key

```
db.collection.aggregate( [
        { pipeline operator: {expression/accumulator,…, expression/accumulator} },
        { pipeline operator: {expression/accumulator,…, expression/accumulator} },
        ...
        ] )
```

Aggregation Example




```
select  cust_id as _id, SUM(amount) as total
        from orders
        where  status = "A"
        group by cust_id
```

Aggregation Behaviour

- It operates on a single collection (before 3.2)
  - Join can be performed using a particular operator **$lookup**
- It logically passes the *entire* collection into the pipeline
- Early filtering can improve the performance
- **$match** and **$sort** operator are able to use index if placed at the beginning of the pipeline

Admin

- Assignment 2
  - Group of up to 3 students
  - Form groups in Elearning
- Week 9
  - We are running one hour lecture + two hours supervised lab on week 9
    - Tuesday labs will be from 7-9pm
    - Wednesday labs will be changed to Thursday 4-6pm in SIT lab 457
      - We cannot find any lab with two hour block before 6pm next Wednesday!

Resources

- Haviv, Amos Q, MEAN Web Development
  - E-book, accessible from USYD library
  - Chapter 4 and 5
- MongoDB online documents:
  - MongoDB CRUD Operations
    - http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/core/crud-introduction/
  - MongoDB Aggregation
    - http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/core/aggregation-introduction/
- COM5338@2016 slides by Ying