MongoDB and PHP

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Who is this fellow?

- Paraguayan :-)
- Zealot of
 - Open Source (BSD-license)
 - PHP
 - MongoDB
- PHP/PECL Developer
- Work for a cool company (btw, we're hiring)
- ... and few other things

MongoDB

- \odot <EN>Mongo</EN> != <PT>Mongo</PT>
- Document oriented database
- Fast, Scalable, Easy to use (devel-friendly)
- Support Indexes
 - Simple
 - Compound
 - Geo spatial
- Schemaless
- Support sharding
- Nested documents
- PECL client

Documents?

It's just an Array()

In fact everything is an Array() in MongoDB

http://bit.ly/mongodb-php

MongoDB - Operations

• Select

- \$gt, \$lt, \$gte, \$lte, \$eq, \$neq: >, <, >=, <=, ==, !=
- \$in, \$nin, \$or
- \$size, \$exists
- \$where: Any javascript expression
- group()
- limit()
- skip()

Update

- \$set
- \$unset
- \$push
- \$pull
- \$inc
- findAndModify()

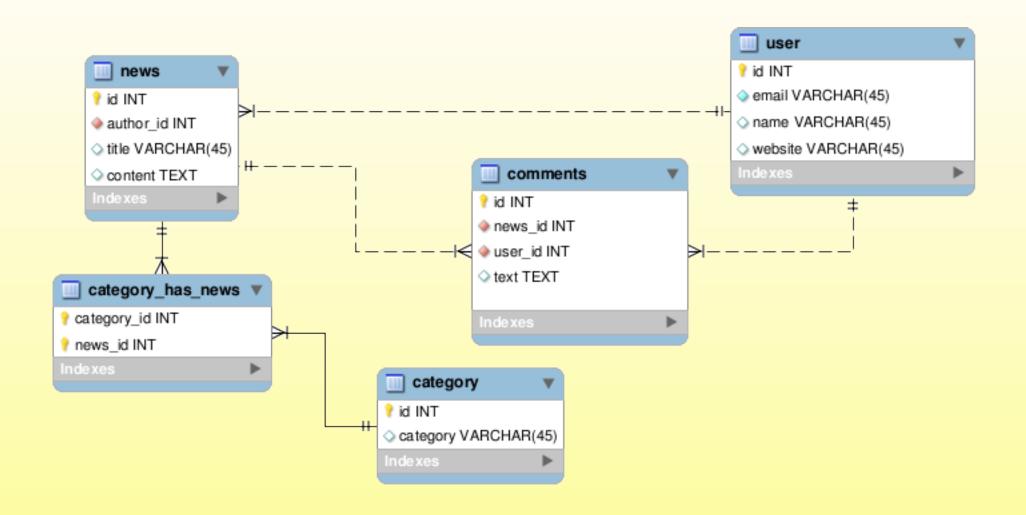
Is it better than MySQL (or Pg)?

NO.

It is different.

Differences with a rel. database

- Denormalize data is not bad
 - It makes queries simplest and faster
 - Disk-space is much cheaper than CPU (and your user's time)
 - Much simple to distribute data across multiple nodes
- No CPU wasting doing ORM
 - Objects in the programming language and in the database
 - No abstraction to generate SQL
- No SQL injection :-)
- No Joins (they are evil!)
- Batch processing
- No CREATE TABLE (or ALTER TABLE) needed



The fun part

Data-structure

```
suser = array(
   'name' => 'crodas',
   'email' => 'crodas@ferpectos.com',
   'website' => 'http://cesarodas.com',
category = array(
   array('name' => 'Sport', 'description' => 'foo'),
   array('name' => 'Politcs', 'description' => 'bar')
secomment = array(
   'news' => $news['_id'],
   'text' => 'I like MongoDB',
   // these are duplicated!
   'name' => $user['name'], /* 'crodas' */
   'website' => $user['website'], /*'http://cesarodas.com',*/
```

```
news = array(
    'title' => 'My Talk about MongoDB',
    'content' => 'MongoDB rules, bla, bla!'
    'author' => $user['_id'],
    // duplicated items
    'authorName' => $user['user'],
    'categories' => array(
        // copy all categories (incuding _id and name)
        \operatorname{array}(\operatorname{'id'} => \operatorname{\$category}[0][\operatorname{'\_id'}], \operatorname{'name'} => \operatorname{\$category}[0][\operatorname{'name'}]),
    'comments' => array(
        // copy 10 comments (we show 10 comments and pagination buttons)
        $comment[0],
        $comment[1],
       total comments for this news, to made easier pagination
    'totalComments' => count($comment),
```

Select

```
// MySQL
"SELECT news.*, user.name FROM news
INNER JOIN user ON user.id = news.author_id WHERE id = 1"
"SELECT category.category FROM category_has_news
INNER JOIN category ON category WHERE news_id = 1"
"SELECT * FROM comments
INNER JOIN user ON user.id = comments.user_id
WHERE news_id = 1"
// In MongoDB
$mongo = new MongoDB;
db = mongo - database;
news = db->news->find(array('_id' => 1));
```

Select

```
// Get 10-most commented news
$db->news->find(array())->sort(array('totalComments' => -1))->limit(5);

// MySQL
// I'm bored to think in SQL
```

Add new comment

```
query = array('_id' => post['news_id']);
$properties = array('totalComments' => true);
$news = $db->news->findOne($query, $properties);
if (empty($news)) throw new Exception("not valid news");
new_comment = array(
   'name' => $_SESSION['user']['name'],
   'website' => $_SESSION['user']['website'],
   'text' => $_POST['text'], 'news' => $_POST['news_id'],
$db->comment->save($new_comment);
$update = array('$inc' => array('totalComments' => 1));
if ($news['totalComments'] < 10)
   $update['$push'] = array('comments' => $new_comment);
$db->news->update($news, $update);
```

What if the user changes its name?

Update

- We're duplicating the user name in several places
- Update the name in every collection
- MongoDB can update multiple documents at once

Update

```
// Catch the update event somewhere in your app and run this:
// update comments
\quad \text{$update = array()}
   '$set' => array('name' => $new_name)
$opt = array('multiple' => true);
$db->comments->update(array('news' => 1), $update, $opt);
// update news (and embed comments)
$update = array('set' => array('comments.name' => $new_name');
$db->news->update(array('comments._id' => $user_id), $update, $opt);
$update = array('set' => array('authorName' => $new_name));
$db->news->update(array('author' => $user_id), $update, $opt);
```

What about schema migration?

Schemaless

- We don't have constraints in the DB
- Update the name in every collection
- MongoDB can update multiple documents at once

Update Schema

```
// MySQL
"ALTER TABLE news ADD COLUMN url VARCHAR(250) NOT NULL"

// MongoDB (simple version - one node)
foreach ($db->news->find() as $news) {
    $query = array('_id' => $news['_id']);
    $update = array('$set' =>
        array('url' => get_url_from_title($news['title']))
    );
    $db->news->update($query, $update);
}
```

Update Schema

```
// better approach (can run multiple instances safely)
while (true) {
   news = db->command(array(
       'findAndModify' => 'news',
       // where url doesn't exists (much better than $exists => false)
       'query' => array('url' => null),
       // set a new value for url, diff than null
       'update' => array('$set' => array('url' => ' ')),
   ));
   if (\text{snews}[\text{ok'}] != 1) break;
   query = array('_id') => news['value']['_id']:
   = \operatorname{array}('set' => \operatorname{array}('url' => \operatorname{get\_url\_from\_title}(\operatorname{news}['value']['title']));
   $db->news->update($query, $update);
```

Beyond SQL!

Store files

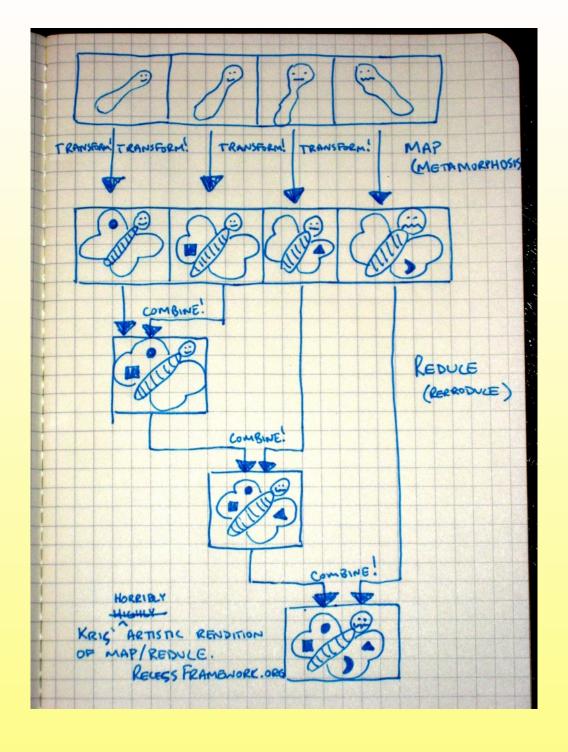
- No need of any distributed File system
- Each file has a checksum
- 100% customizable
 - Open data structure
 - You can extend it to support locking
 - You can save as much meta data as you want
- Works in a sharded-environment
- Native extension for NGINX

Store files

```
grid = db-\gcdGridFS();
metadata = array(
   "whatever" => "metadata",
   "path" => "/foo",
   "download" => 0
$grid->storeFile($filename, $metadata);
// or
$grid->storeBytes($bytes, $metadata);
// Or (save $_FILE['foo'])
$grid->storeUpload('foo', $metadata);
```

Read file

```
grid = db-\gcdGridFS();
$file = $grid->findOne(array('path' => '/foo'));
// update download
$update = array('$inc' => array('download' => 1));
d = array('_id') => file->file['_id']);
$grid->update($id, $update);
// print it
echo $file->Bytes();
// or (a bit better)
$tmp = '/tmp/apache/' . $file->file['_id'];
if (!is_file($tmp)) $file->write($tmp);
virtual($tmp);
```



- Well known (Google's) map/reduce approach to process tons of data
- Move the computation where the data is
- GROUP/BY like operations, but more powerful (Javascript)
- One function is applied to each news (map)
- Map() produces 0 to N new values (key, value)
- MongoDB sort everything by key.
- Reduce is called for each (key, values) and return 1 value

```
This method will be executed for each news
var $map = function() {
   // if the document doesn't have categories
   if (!this.categories) {
      // return nothing
      return;
   for ($index in this.categories) {
       // return (several times) a new document
       // with _id: category_name, and value: 1
      emit(this.categories[$index].name, 1);
```

```
// we get (category.name, [1, 1, 1, 1]) and we
// return the sum to get {_id: category.name, value: 4}
var $reduce = function($key, $values) {
    var $count = 0;
    for ($index in $values) {
        $count += $values[$index];
    }
    return $count;
}
```

Questions?

Thanks

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