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Introduction to MongoDB

What is MongoDB?

To get a better understanding of MongoDB, the official website for MongoDB is an excellent resource: http://www.mongodb.org/display/DOCS/Introduction.

Installation

If you have a Linux platform, you must first update the repository.

```
sudo apt-key adv --keyserver keyserver.ubuntu.com --recv 7F0CEB10
sudo apt-get update
```

Then, install the MongoDB database engine.

```
sudo apt-get install mongodb-10gen
```

After that, install the MongoDB driver for Node.js.

```
sudo npm install mongodb
```

For Mac and Windows platforms, you can download MongoDB and install it directly from the project website, http://www.mongodb.org/. I recommend installing the MongoDB server engine as a Windows service.

In order to install MongoDB on Windows:

1. Unzip the downloaded files in the **C:\mongo** folder.
2. Open the Command Prompt window with administrator privileges and navigate to the **C:\mongo\bin** folder.
3. Run the following command (you may need to create the c:\mongo\data\db and c:\mongo\log folders before running the command).

```
mongod --logpath "c:\mongo\log\log.log" --logappend --dbpath
"c:\mongo\data\db" --directoryperdb --install
```

After installation, you will get the MongoDB files as shown in Figure 1.

If successful, you will see MongoDB in the Windows **Services** panel, shown in Figure 2.

For more information about installing MongoDB on Windows, visit http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-windows.

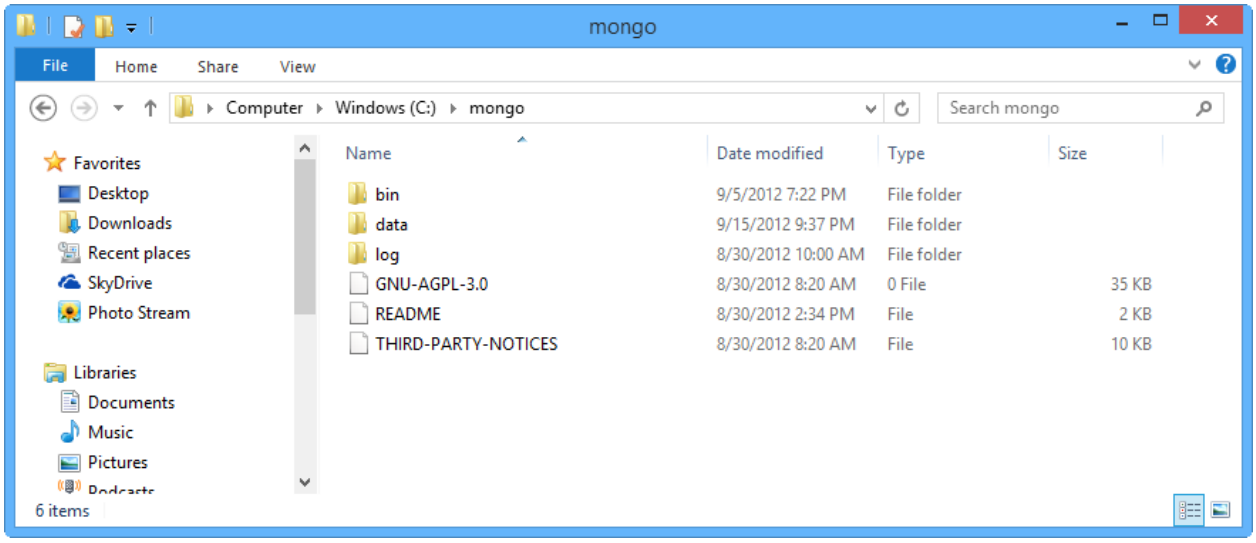


Figure 1: MongoDB files in Windows 8

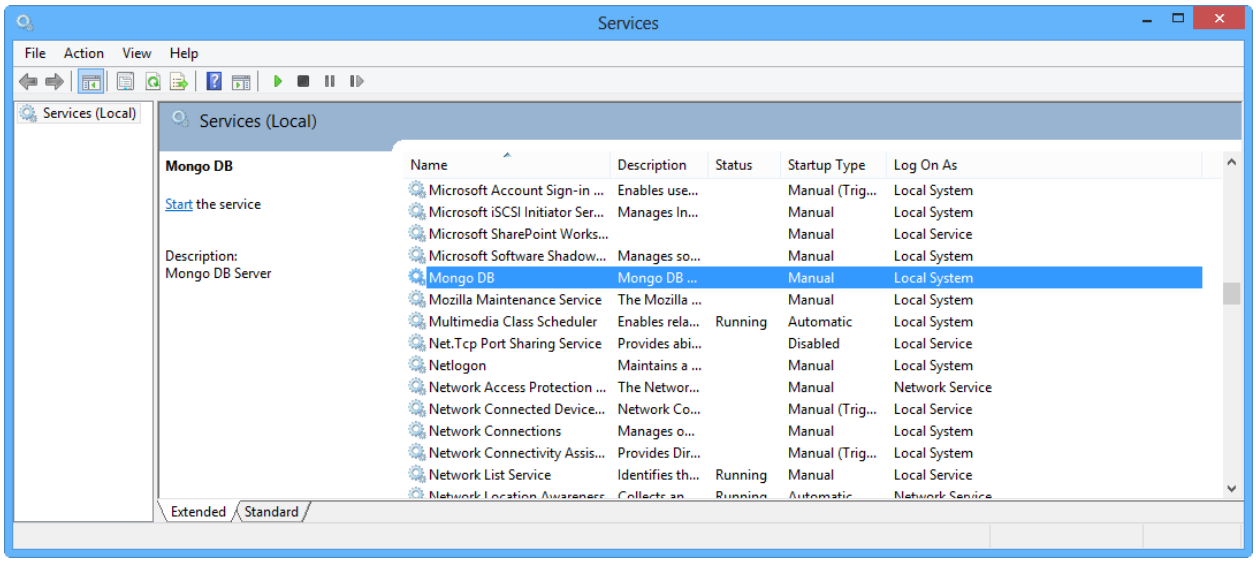


Figure 2: MongoDB engine installed as a Windows service

C# and Development Tools

There are a lot of C# development tools you can use. I recommend using Visual Studio. Microsoft provides a free, Express edition of Visual Studio. You can download it at http://www.microsoft.com/visualstudio/express.

In this book, I use Visual Studio 2012 for testing.

A screenshot of Visual Studio 2010 is shown in Figure 3, and a screenshot of Visual Studio 2012 is shown in Figure 4.

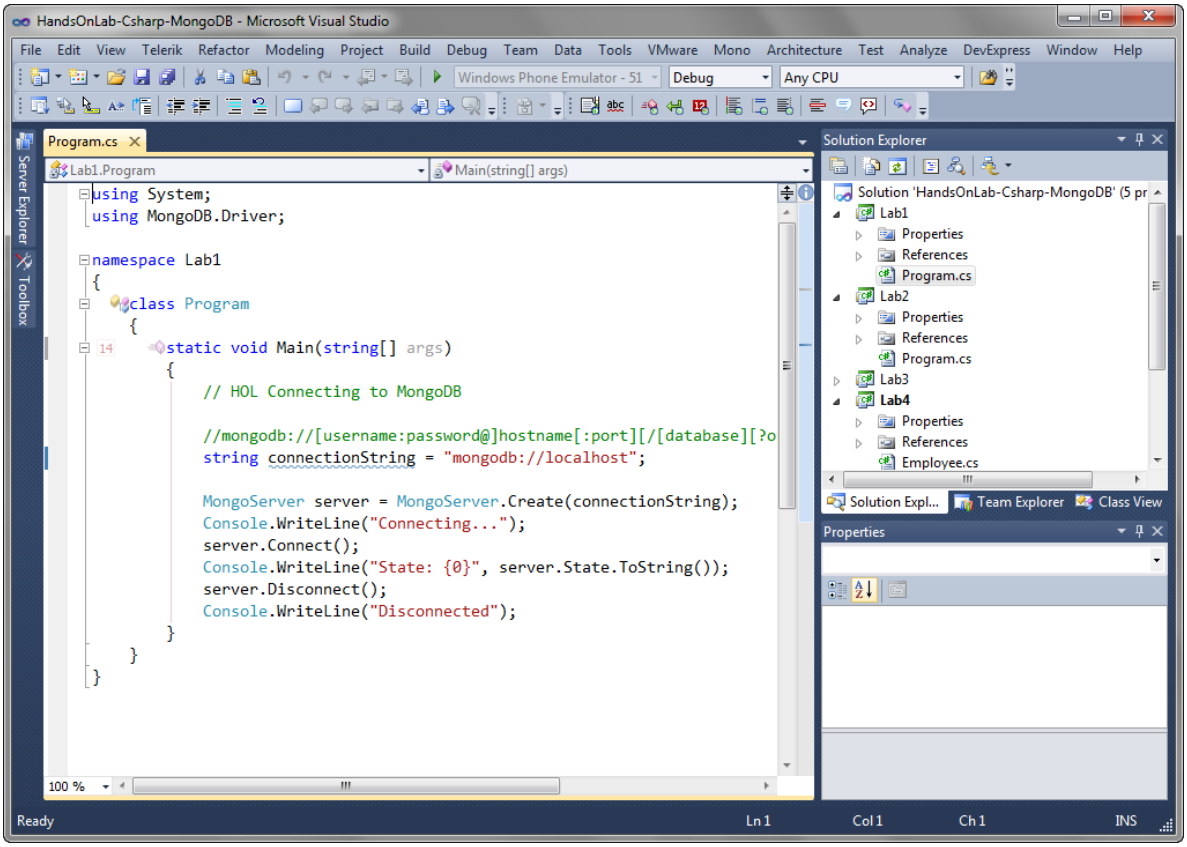


Figure 3: Visual Studio 2010

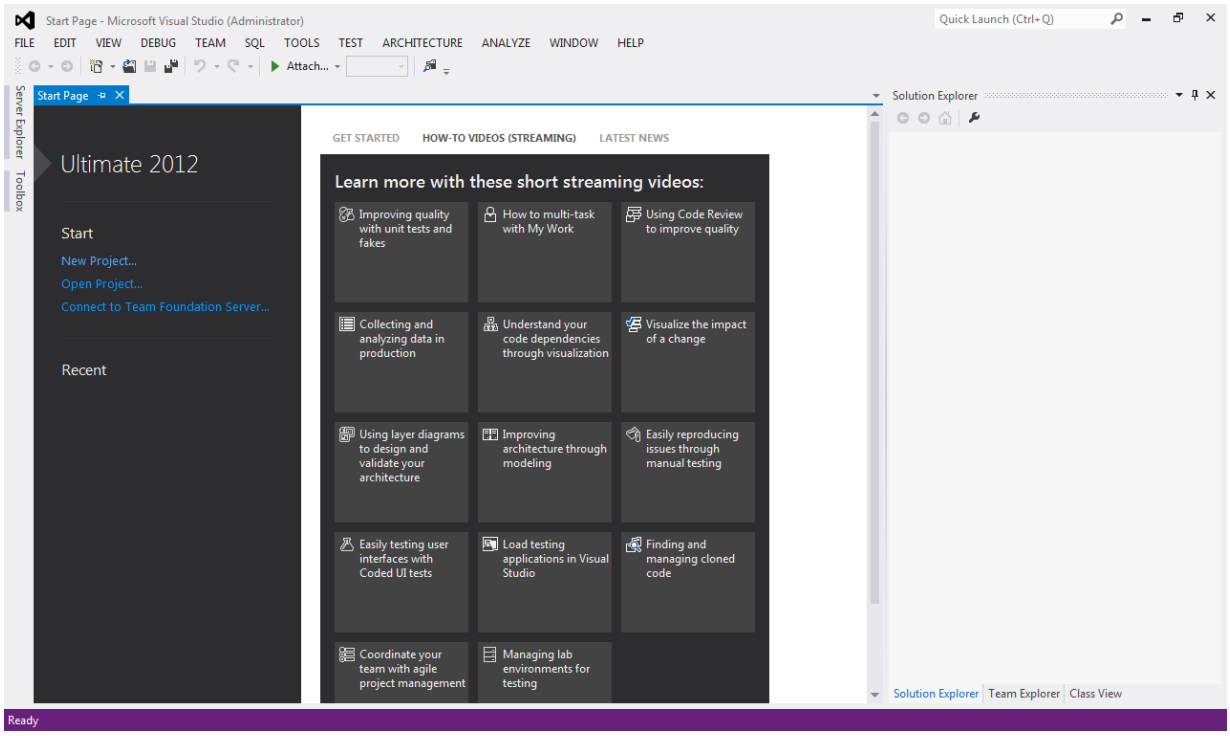


Figure 4: Visual Studio 2012

MongoDB Driver for C#

You can find the MongoDB driver for the .NET platform at http://www.mongodb.org/display/DOCS/Drivers.

I use the official C# driver supported by 10gen. You can download it at https://github.com/mongodb/mongo-csharp-driver/downloads.

If you download the MSI file, you can install MongoDB directly from the setup file. You will see the setup dialog shown in Figure 5.

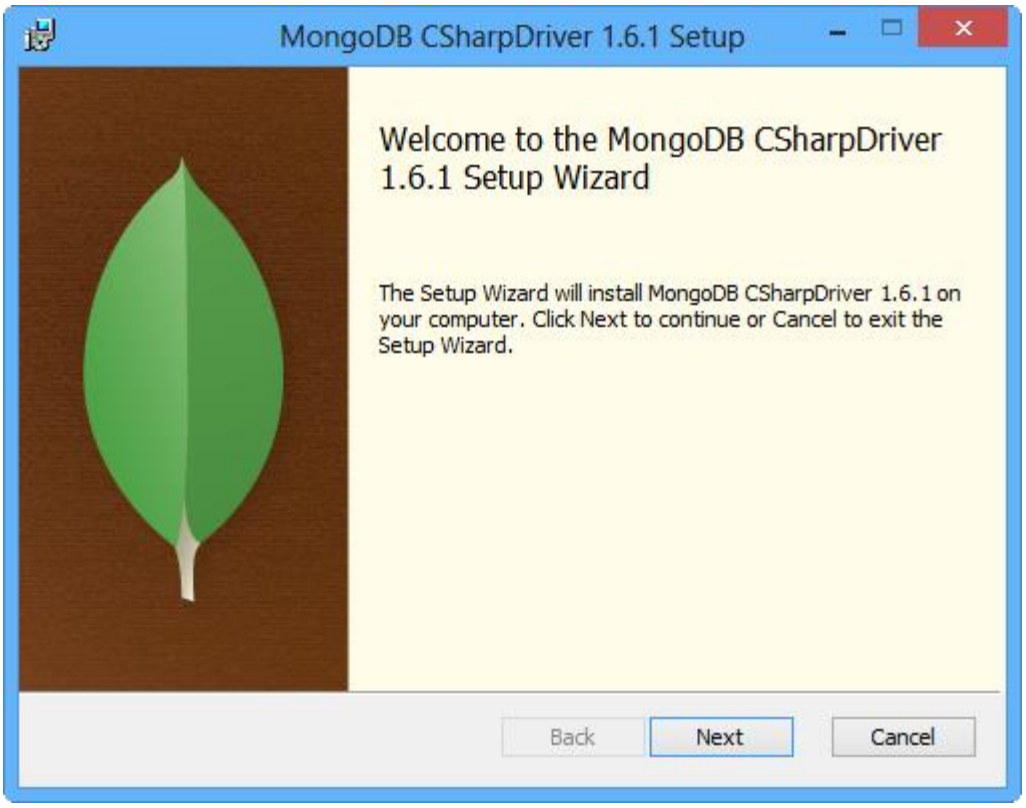


Figure 5: Setup dialog for MongoDB C# driver

Follow all installation instructions.

If successful, you will find the MongoDB driver in the installed folder. For example, C:\Program Files (x86)\MongoDB\CSharpDriver 1.6.1.

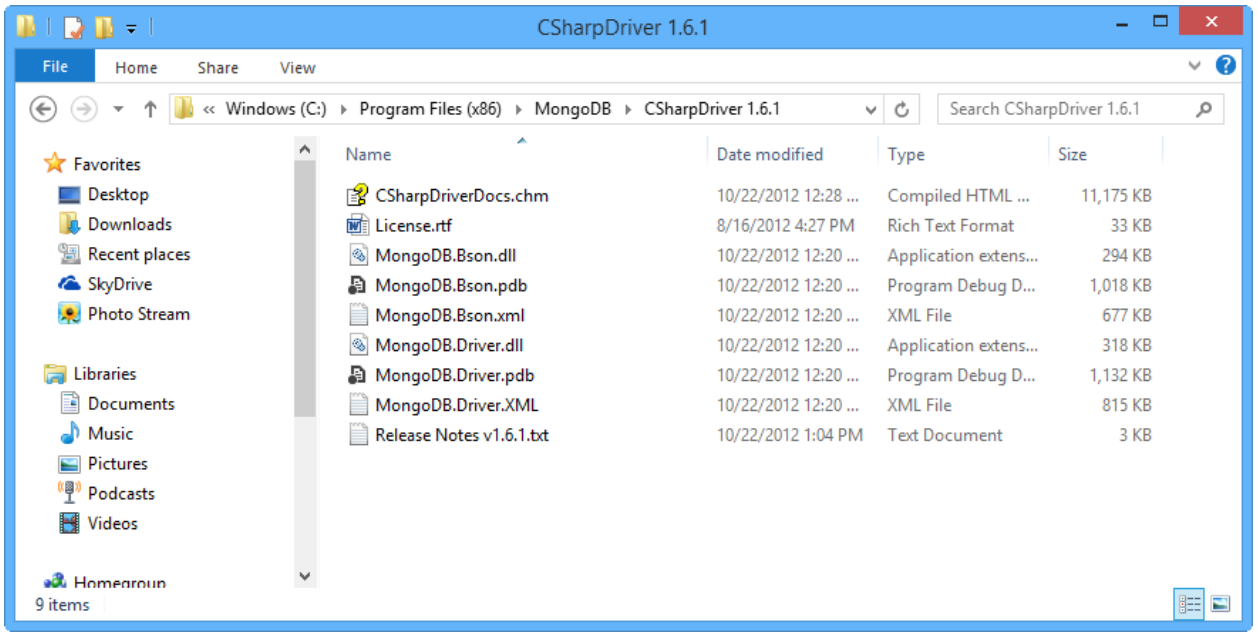


Figure 6: MongoDB driver files for C#

After creating a C# project in Visual Studio, you can add the MongoDB driver to your project. To do so, right-click on **References** to open the context menu as shown in Figure 7.

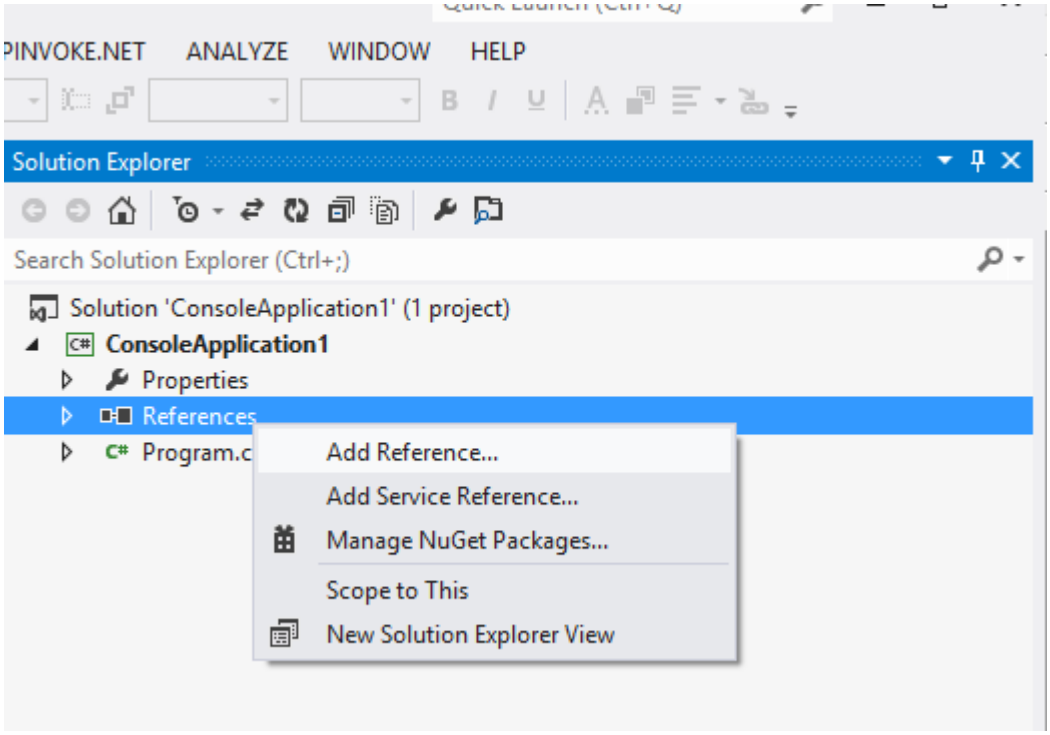


Figure 7: Adding an external library in Visual Studio 2012

Select **Add Reference**. This will open the **Reference Manager** as shown in Figure 8. Add the **MongoDB.Driver.dll** and **MongoDB.Bson.dll** files from the installed MongoDB folder.

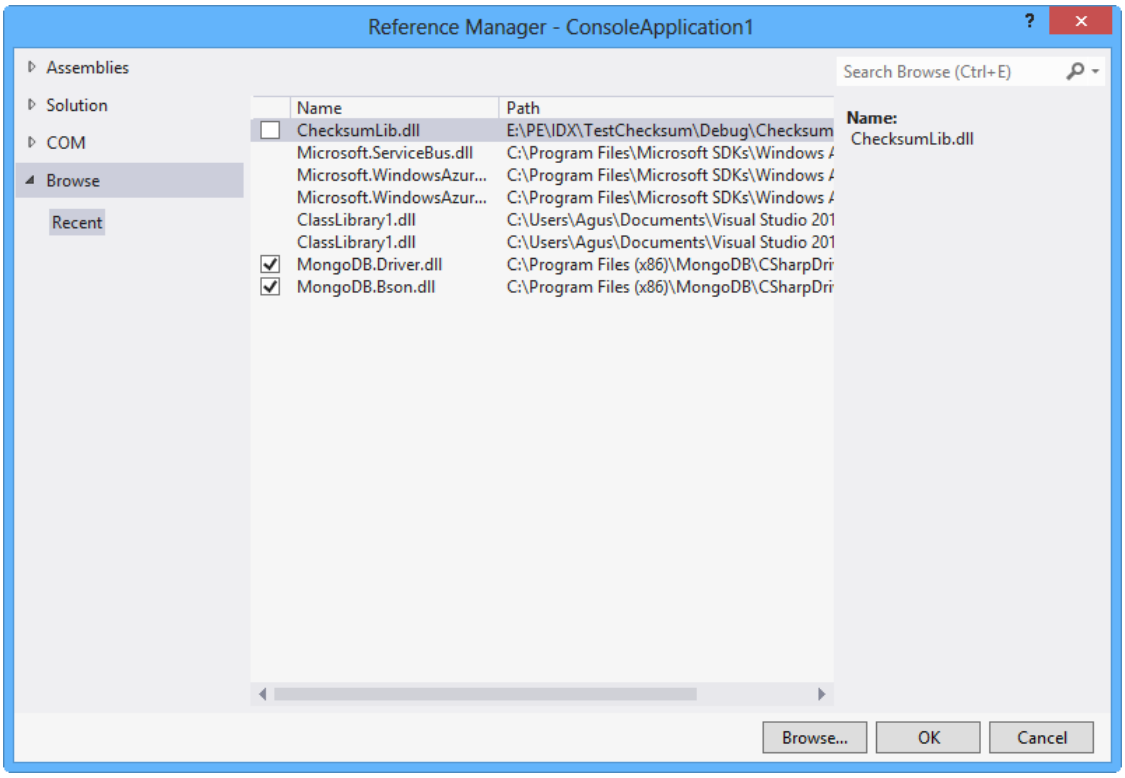


Figure 8: Adding MongoDB driver files

Click **OK**. You will see the MongoDB driver referenced in your project.

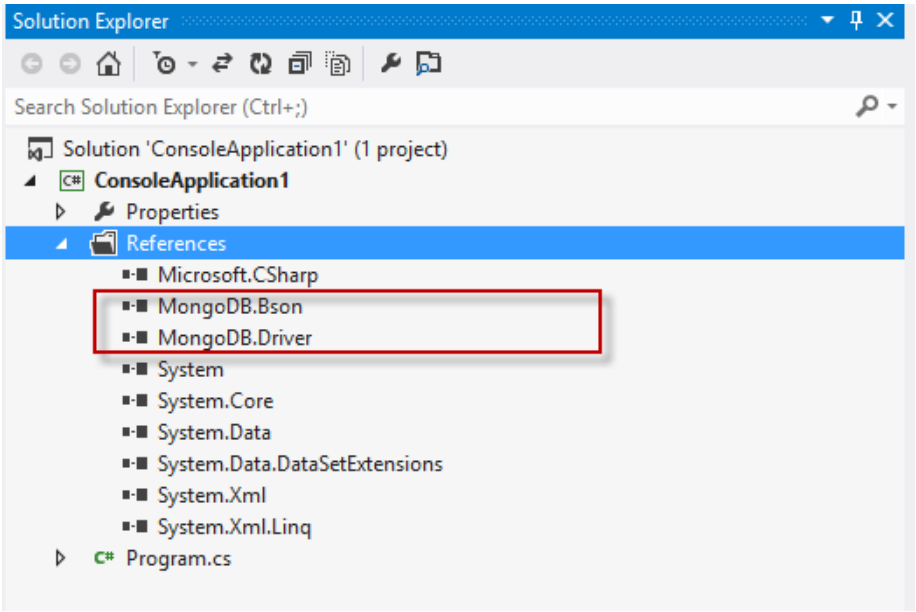


Figure 9: C# project with reference to MongoDB driver

Chapter 1 Connecting to MongoDB

In this chapter, you will learn how to connect to a MongoDB database server using C#.

Creating a Console Application

Create a new **Console Application** project in Visual Studio 2012. Type the project name and folder location. Then, click **OK**.

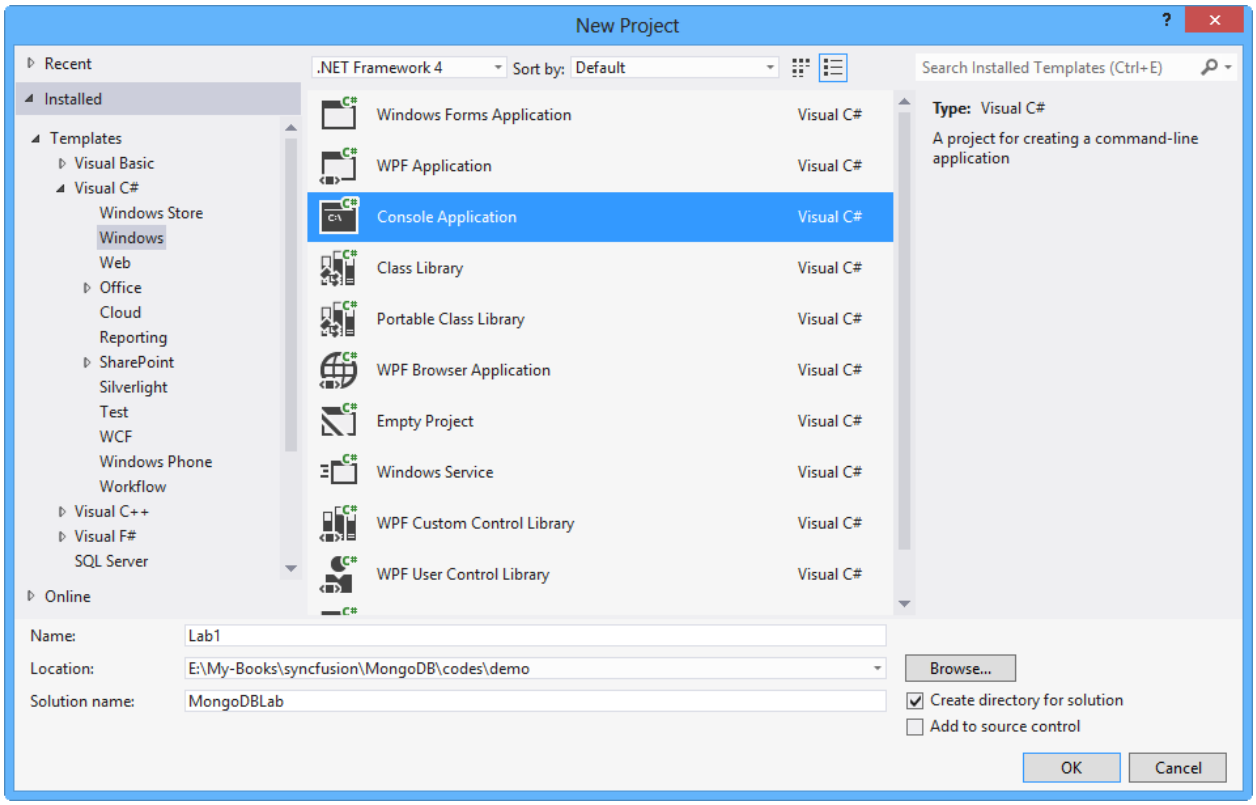


Figure 10: Choosing Console Application from the project templates

You will get a console application project in Visual Studio 2012, as shown in Figure 11.

Now you're ready to start writing code.

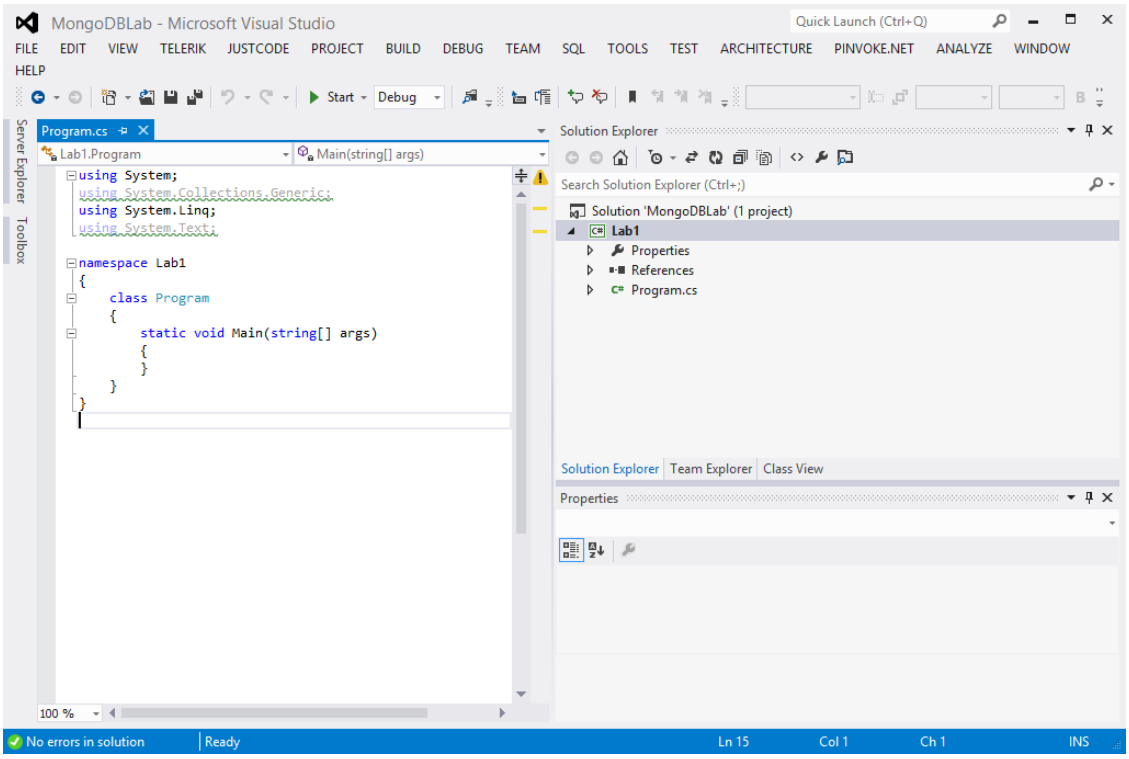


Figure 11: Visual Studio 2012 with console application project

Adding MongoDB Driver Files

After creating the C# project in Visual Studio, you must add the MongoDB driver to your project. Right-click **References** to open a context menu, as shown in Figure 12.

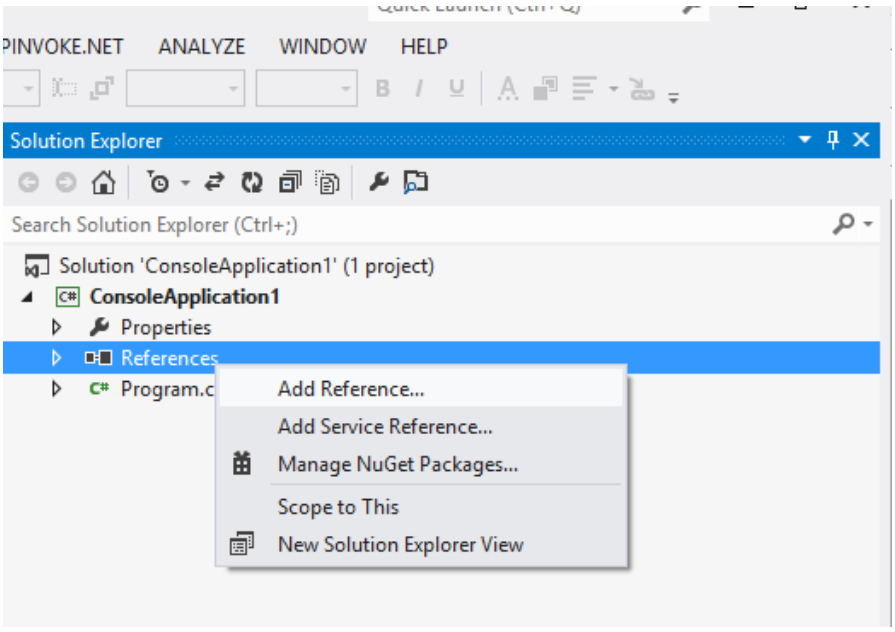


Figure 12: Adding external library in Visual Studio 2012

Select **Add Reference** to open the **Reference Manager** as shown in Figure 13. Add the **MongoDB.Driver.dll** and **MongoDB.Bson.dll** files from the installed MongoDB folder.

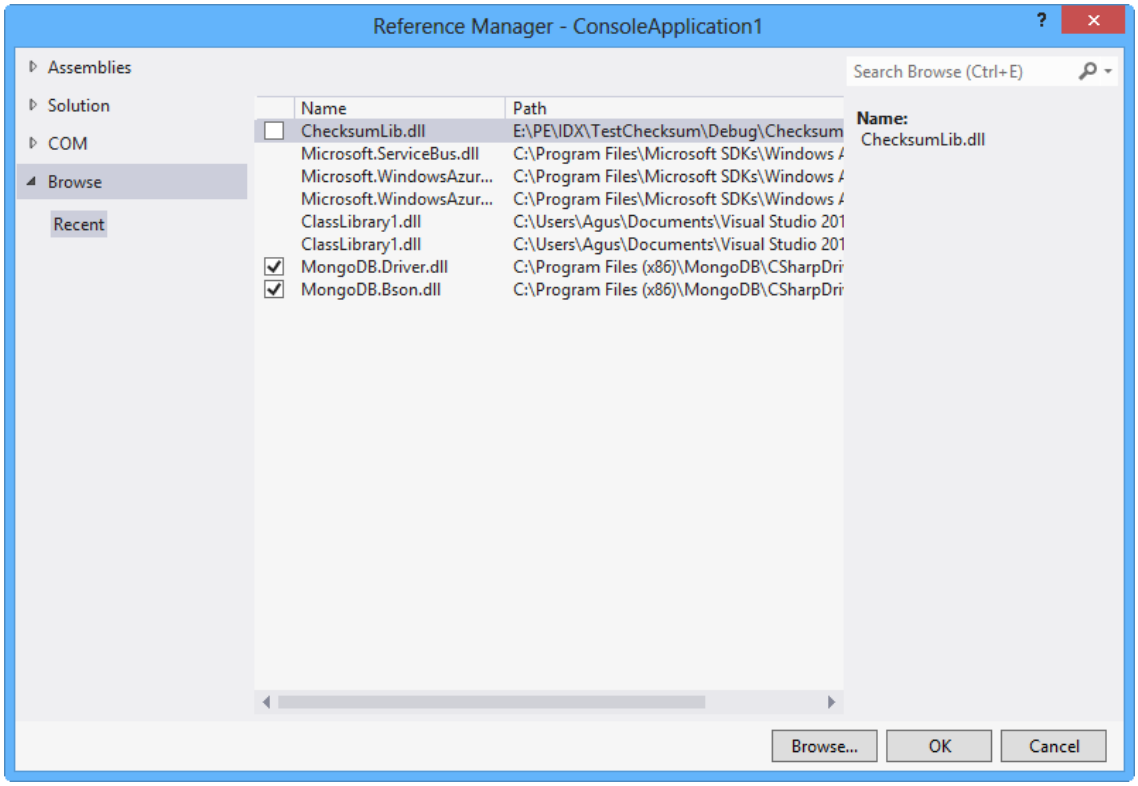


Figure 13: Adding MongoDB driver files

Click **OK**. You will see the MongoDB driver referenced in your project.

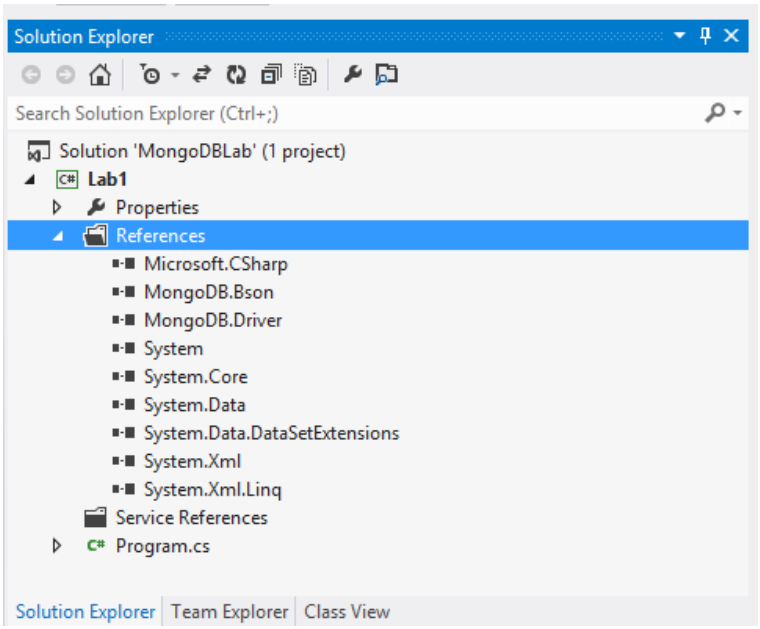


Figure 14: Project with MongoDB driver reference

Writing Code

First, you must add namespaces.

```
using System;
using System.Linq;
using MongoDB.Driver;
```

Use the following code to connect to the MongoDB server.

```
namespace Lab1
{
    class Program
    {
        static void Main(string[] args)
        {
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";

            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            Console.WriteLine("Connecting...");
            server.Connect();
            Console.WriteLine("State: {0}", server.State.ToString());
            server.Disconnect();
            Console.WriteLine("Disconnected");

            Console.WriteLine("Press any key to continue…");
            Console.Read();
        }
    }
}
```

Explanation

We must define the database connection string.

```
 string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
```

If your MongoDB server applies a password policy, you should change the database connection string.

```
string connectionString = "mongodb://[username:password@]hostname[:port]";
```

Change the **username**, **password**, **hostname**, and **port**.

The database connection string is passed to the **`MongoServer`** object, which provides an API to manipulate the MongoDB server.

To connect to the MongoDB server, you can call the **`Connect()`** method from the **`MongoServer`** object. Call **`Disconnect()`** if you want to disconnect from the server.

Testing

Your MongoDB server service should be started and its status should be “Running.”

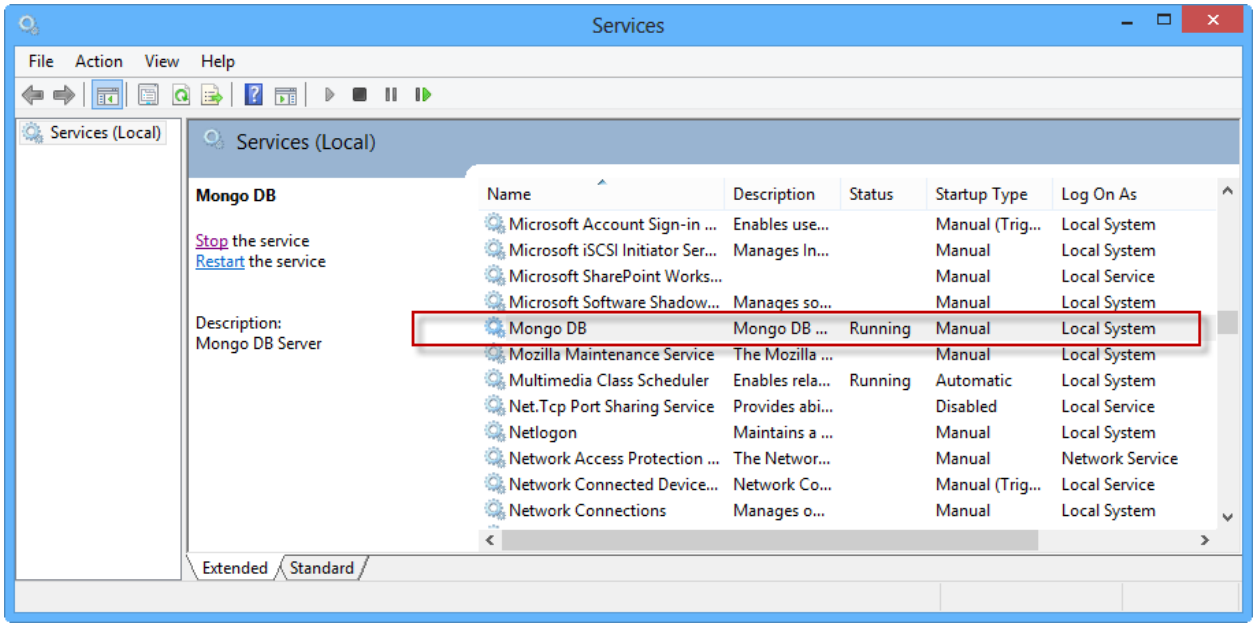


Figure 15: MongoDB server service is running

Now you can run the application from Visual Studio 2012. A sample program output is shown in Figure 16.

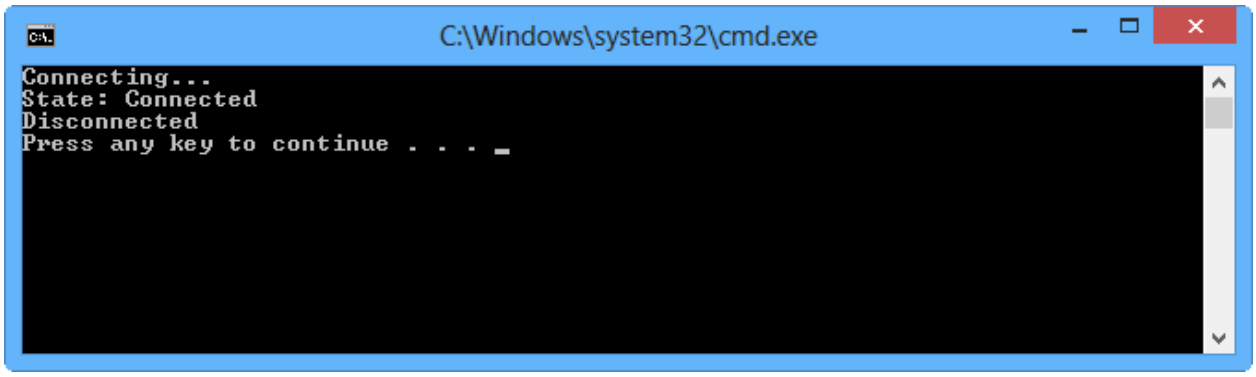


Figure 16: Application connected to MongoDB server

Chapter 2 Creating and Deleting the Database

This chapter describes how to create and delete the MongoDB database using C#. I used the console application created in the previous chapter to demonstrate this. Don't forget to add the MongoDB driver files for C# as references.

Include the following namespaces in the **`using`** section.

```
using System;
using System.Linq;
using MongoDB.Driver;
```

Creating a Database

First, declare a connection string and database. Create a new database called **csharp**.

You can create the database by using the **`MongoDatabase`** object. It can be obtained from **`MongoServer`** by calling the **`GetDatabase()`** method.

When you call **`GetDatabase()`**, you should specify the database name as the method's parameter.

```
string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
string databaseName = "csharp";

Console.WriteLine(">>Create/Get database");
MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);
Console.WriteLine("Database name: {0}", database.Name);
```

If the database name does not exist, the MongoDB driver will create it automatically. It first creates a database in cache memory. If data comes into this database, MongoDB will flush the database.

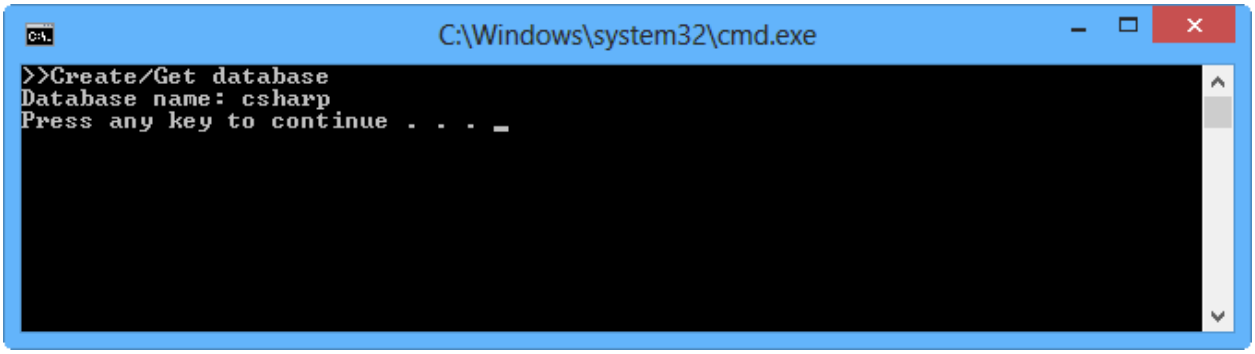


Figure 17: Creating a database in MongoDB

Getting the List of Databases

You may want to know the list of databases in the current MongoDB server. You can do this by calling **`GetDatabaseNames()`** from the **`MongoServer`** object.

The following example code gets a list of database names from the MongoDB server.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using MongoDB.Driver;

namespace Lab2
{
    class Program
    {
        static void Main(string[] args)
        {
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            Console.WriteLine(">>List of database:");
            List<string> dbs = new List<string>(server.GetDatabaseNames());
            foreach (var dbName in dbs)
            {
                Console.WriteLine(dbName);
            }
        }

    }
}
```

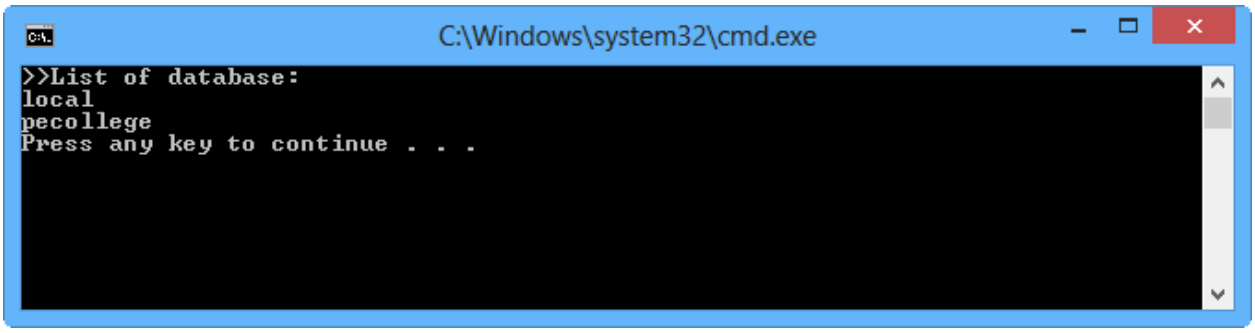


Figure 18: Getting a list of databases

Deleting a Database

To delete a database from the MongoDB server, call the **`Drop()`** method from the **`MongoDatabase`** object.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using MongoDB.Driver;

namespace Lab2
{
    class Program
    {
        static void Main(string[] args)
        {


            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

            // Drop database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Drop database collection");
            database.Drop();

        }

    }
}
```

Chapter 3 Database Collection

In the conventional relational database management system (RDBMS) context, database collections are equivalent to tables. This chapter describes how to create, read, and delete MongoDB database collections using C#.

To do this, create a **Console Application** and add the following namespaces.

```
using System;
using System.Linq;
using MongoDB.Driver;
```

Creating a Database Collection

First, get the **MongoDatabase** object from the **MongoServer** object by passing a database connection string.

```
string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
string databaseName = "csharp";

Console.WriteLine(">>Create/Get database");
MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);
Console.WriteLine("Database name: {0}", database.Name);
```

To create a database collection, use **CreateCollection()** of the **MongoDatabase** object. It returns the **CommandResult** object. If successful, you will get the **OK** value.

```
            // Create collection.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Create database collection");
            CommandResult result = database.CreateCollection("employee");
            if (result.Ok)
                Console.WriteLine("created database was success");
            else
                Console.WriteLine(result.ErrorMessage);
```

You can also create another database collection by running the following code.

```
            //Create another collection.
            database.CreateCollection("bank");
            database.CreateCollection("department");
            database.CreateCollection("branch");
```

You can see a sample of the program output in Figure 19.

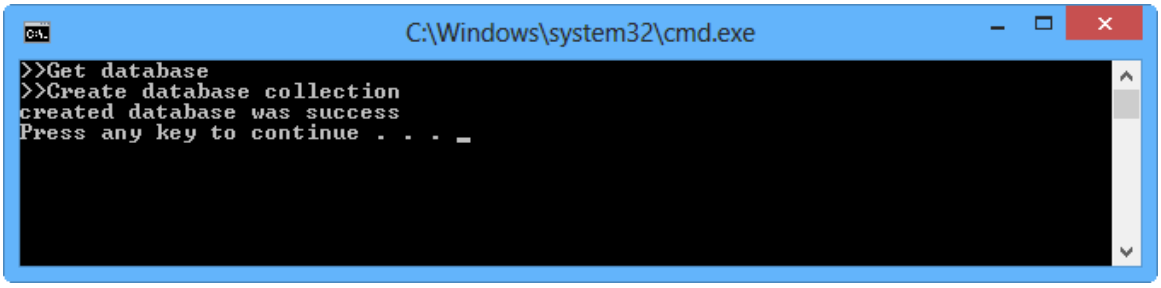


Figure 19: Creating a database collection

Reading a Database Collection

You can get a list of database collections from a database by calling **`GetCollectionNames()`** from the **`MongoDatabase`** object.

```
            // Get collection.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database collection");
            // Get collection list.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Listing database collection");
            foreach (string name in database.GetCollectionNames())
            {
                Console.WriteLine(name);
            }
```

The sample output for getting a list of database collection is shown in Figure 20.

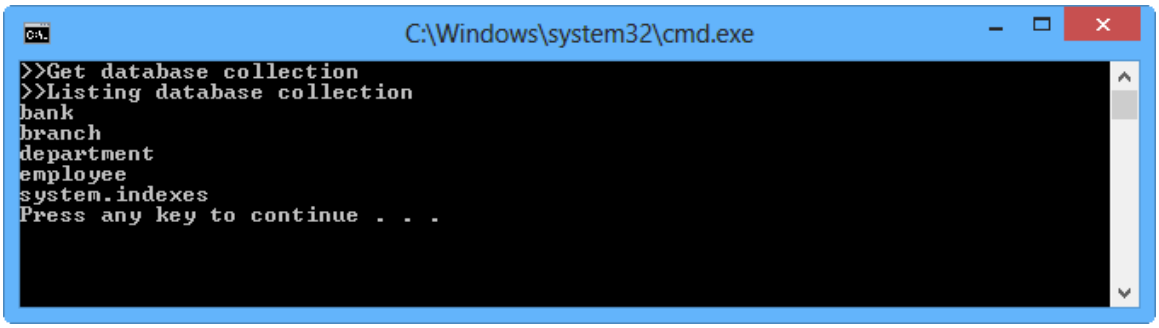


Figure 20: Getting a list of database collections

Deleting a Database Collection

You can delete a database collection by calling **`DropCollection()`** from the **`MongoDatabase`** object. To evaluate this operation, call **`CollectionExists()`** to check whether the collection still exists.

In the following example, the **bank** collection is deleted and then we check whether it still exists.

```
            // Delete collection.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Delete database collection");
            database.DropCollection("bank");
            // Check for collection.
            if (database.CollectionExists("bank"))
                Console.WriteLine("bank collection exists");
            else
                Console.WriteLine("bank collection was not found");
```

Chapter 4 Collection Data

In the conventional RDBMS context, database collection data refers to table row data. This chapter describes how to create, read, update, and delete MongoDB database collection data using C#.

To do this, create a **Console Application** and add the following namespaces.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
```

Creating Collection Data

Before creating collection data, get the **MongoDatabase** object from the **MongoServer**.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);
```

Create a method called **CreateDemo()** with the **MongoDatabase** parameter.

```
        private static void CreateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
        }
```

Pass the **database** variable to this method.

```
CreateDemo(database);
```

There are two options to create data as a database collection. The first option is to use a BSON document to insert data into a collection, as shown in the following code example.

```
        private static void CreateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            // // Create data for five employees with BSON.
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i++)
            {
                BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                    { "name", "Employee " + i },
                    { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                    { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                };

                employees.Insert(employee);
            }

        }
```

Explanation

- To be able to insert data into a collection, we need to have a reference to that collection object. This is achieved by calling the **`GetCollection()`** method with the collection name as the parameter (in our case, “employee”).

- This will return a list of **`BsonDocument`** objects.

A **`BsonDocument`** object is equivalent to a table row in a RDBMS database.

For example, insert an **`employee`** document into a collection with the following fields.

- ID
- name
- email
- createddate

Create a **`BsonDocument`** and pass the document fields in JSON format as shown in the following example.

```
        BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                    { "name", "Employee " + i },
                    { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                    { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
        };
```

This **`BsonDocument`** object can be inserted into a collection by calling **`Insert()`** from the collection object.

```
        employees.Insert(employee);
```

The other option to create data as a database collection is to use the entity object as a document object. For example, declare the **Employee** object as follows.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Bson.Serialization.Attributes;
using MongoDB.Bson;

namespace Lab4
{
    public class Employee
    {
        [BsonElementAttribute("_id")]
        public ObjectId Id { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("name")]
        public string Name { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("email")]
        public string Email { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("createddate")]
        public DateTime CreateDate { set; get; }
    }
}
```

You can expose the class properties using **BsonElementAttribute** with the field names.

To insert a document object into a collection, we use the same approach we used for the BSON document. Get the collection list object and then call **Insert()** to insert the document object.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Object");
            MongoCollection<Employee> employeeColl =
database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
            for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i++)
            {
                Employee obj = new Employee();
                obj.Id = ObjectId.GenerateNewId();
                obj.Name = "EmployeeObject " + i;
                obj.Email = String.Format("email{0}-object@email.com", i);
                obj.CreateDate = DateTime.Now;

                employeeColl.Insert(obj);
            }
```

Running the previous code will get a response similar to the output in the following figure.

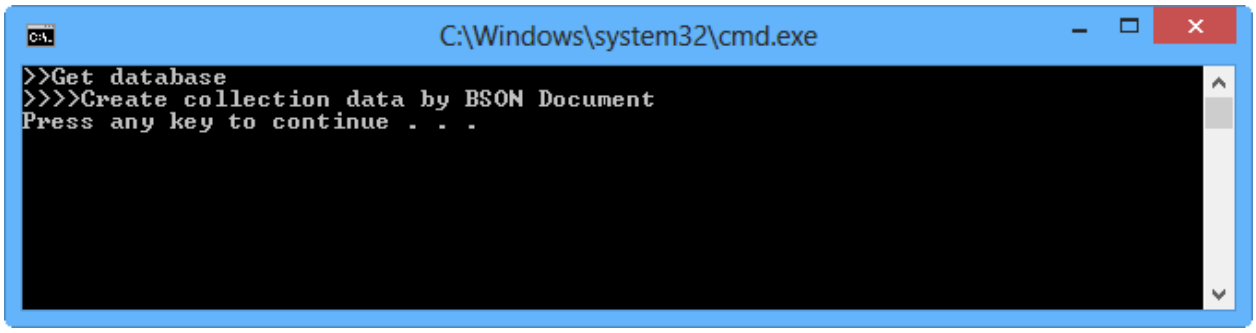


Figure 21: Executing app for creating collection data

If you check the MongoDB database using the Mongo shell, you will get the inserted data.

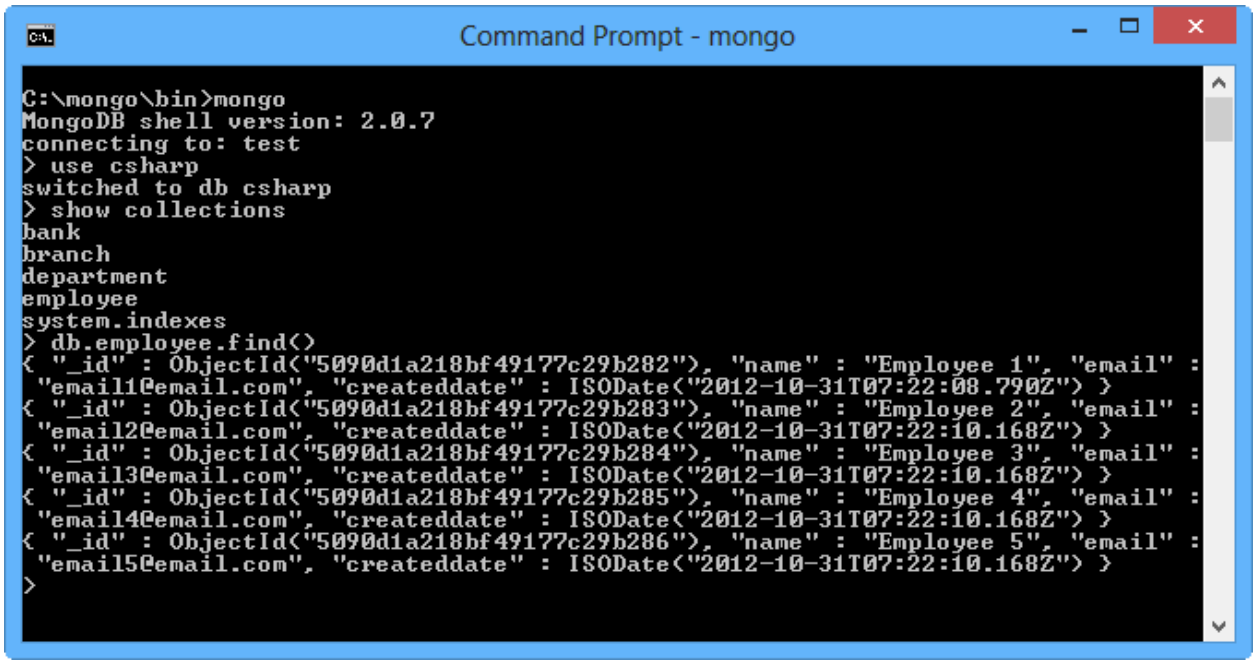


Figure 22: Showing the inserted data using the Mongo shell

Reading Collection Data

To read all collection data, you can use **`FindAll()`** from the collection list object.

The following example shows all data using the BSON document.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Read collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            foreach(BsonDocument doc in employees.FindAll())
            {
                foreach (string name in doc.Names)
                {
                    BsonElement element = doc.GetElement(name);
                    Console.WriteLine("{0}: {1}", name, element);
                }
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
```

Another solution is to use the entity object, for instance, **Employee**.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Read collection data by BSON Object");
            MongoCollection<Employee> employeeColl =
database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
            foreach (Employee doc in employeeColl.FindAll())
            {
                Console.WriteLine("EmployeeID: {0}", doc.Id.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("Name: {0}", doc.Name);
                Console.WriteLine("Email: {0}", doc.Email);
                Console.WriteLine("Create Date: {0}", doc.CreateDate);
            }
```

If you run the previous code, you will get a list of collection data as shown in Figure 23.

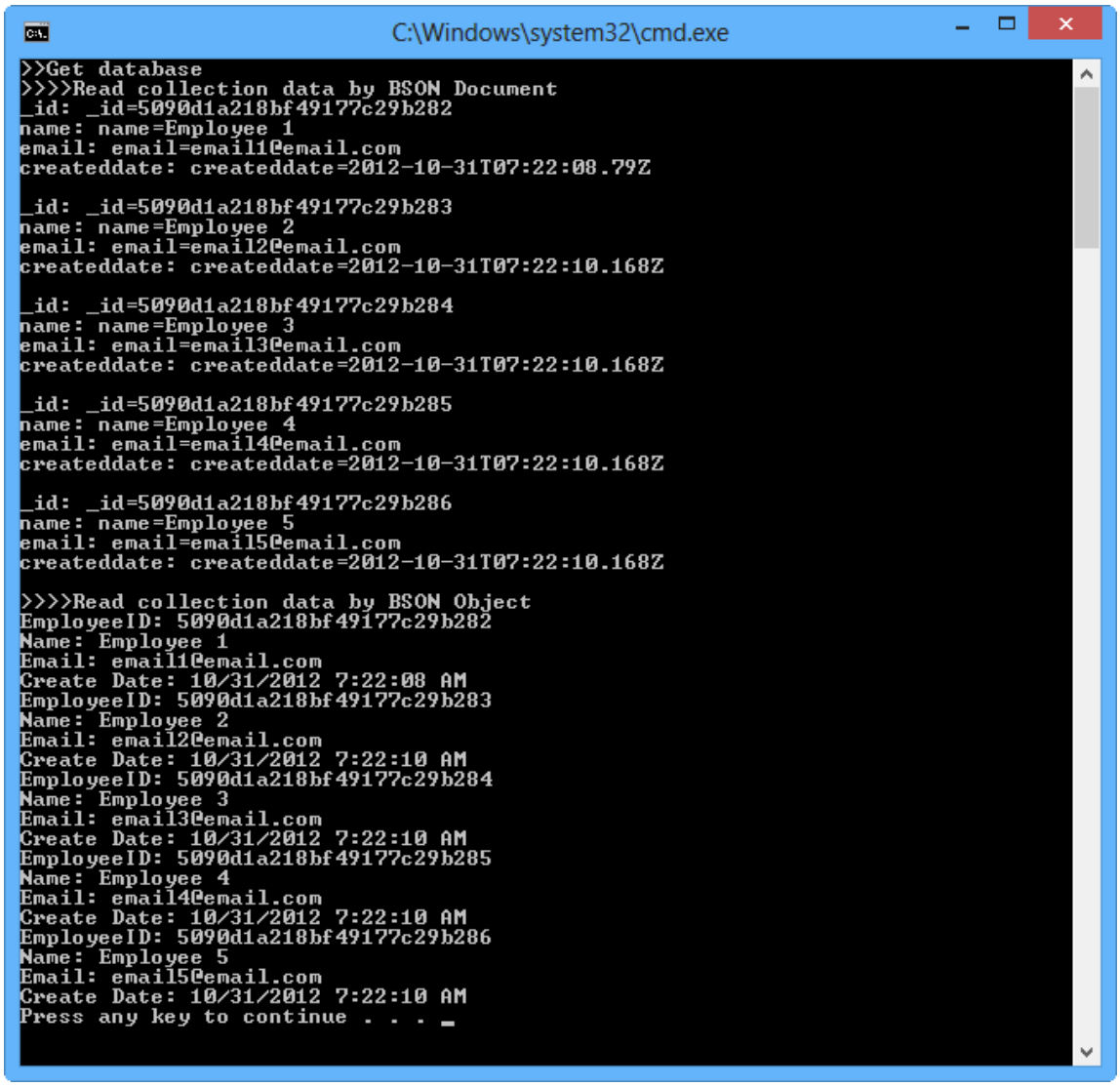


Figure 23: Running app for retrieving data

Updating Collection Data

In this section, you will update the collection in two ways: using the BSON document and using the entity object.

You can start by getting a collection list object. For example, let's update a single collection. To do this, you can use **`FindOne()`** to get the **`BsonDocument`** object.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Update collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            BsonDocument doc = employees.FindOne();
```

Print this object in the console.

```
            // Show data.
            foreach (string name in doc.Names)
            {
                BsonElement element = doc.GetElement(name);
                Console.WriteLine("{0}: {1}", name, element.Value);
            }
```

Now update this object by calling **Set()**. To save the changes, you can call **Save()**.

```
            doc.Set("name", BsonValue.Create("update-employee"));
            doc.Set("email", BsonValue.Create("update-employee@email.com"));

            employees.Save(doc);
            Console.WriteLine("updated data was success");
```

If you use the entity object, you can start by getting the entity collection list object.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Update collection data by BSON object");
            MongoCollection<Employee> employeeColl =
database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
            Employee emp = employeeColl.FindOne();
```

Show this data in the console.

```
            // Show data.
            Console.WriteLine("EmployeeID: {0}", emp.Id.ToString());
            Console.WriteLine("Name: {0}", emp.Name);
            Console.WriteLine("Email: {0}", emp.Email);
            Console.WriteLine("Create Date: {0}", emp.CreateDate);
            Console.WriteLine("");
```

The following example shows how to update the collection data.

```
            emp.Name = "update-employee-object";
            emp.Email = "update-employee-object@email.com";

            employeeColl.Save(emp);
            Console.WriteLine("updated data was success");
```

You can see the program output in the following figure.

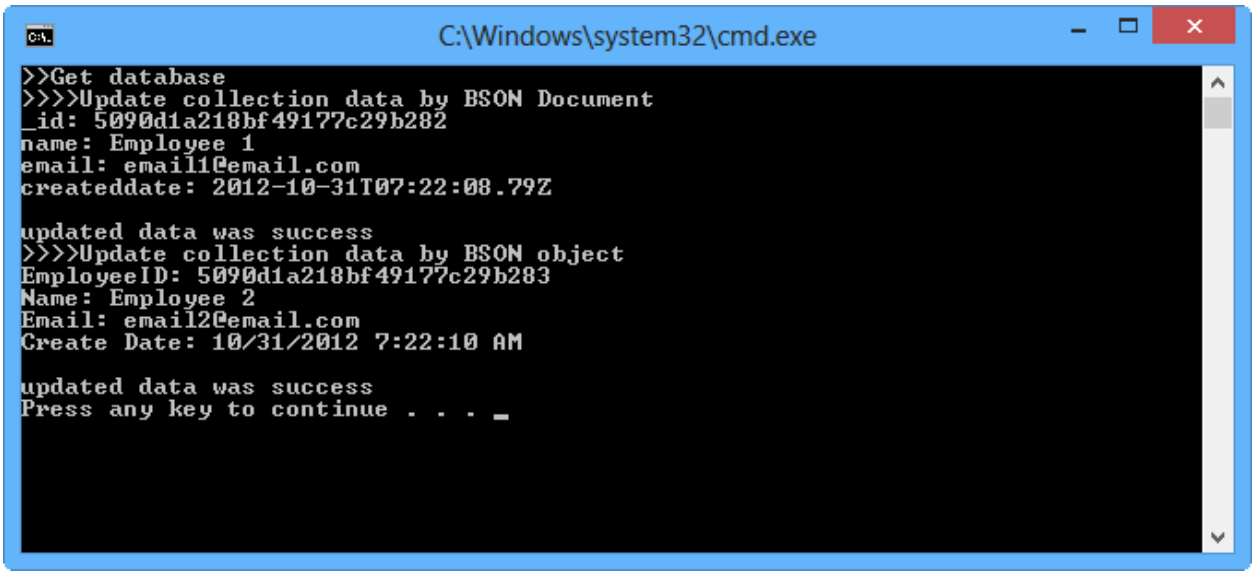


Figure 24: Updating collection data

Deleting Collection Data

It is easy to delete collection data. You can use **`Drop()`** to delete all collection data. In the following example, the **`Drop()`** method returns an **Ok** value if deleting the data is successful.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Delete all data in employee collection");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            CommandResult result = employees.Drop();
            if (result.Ok)
                Console.WriteLine("deleted all data in employee collection
was success");
            else
                Console.WriteLine(result.ErrorMessage);
```

If you want to delete specific data, you can use the **`Query`** object which is covered in the next chapter.

Chapter 5 Finding and Querying Data

This chapter describes how to find data in a database collection using C#. To do this, we create a **Console Application**.

Once created, include the following namespaces.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Builders;
```

Finding Data

MongoDB is a NoSQL database, so if you want to find data you can use the **`FindOne()`** and **`Find()`** methods.

First, prepare the database object for MongoDB.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);
```

Next, generate data for testing.

```
            GenerateData(database);
```

The following example is an implementation of the **`GenerateData()`** method used to build data that includes ten employees, each with a **`level`** field that can be **`Architect`** or **`Programmer`**.

```
       private static void GenerateData(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            // // Create data for ten employees with BSON.
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++)
            {
                if (i < 5)
                {
                    BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                        { "name", "Employee " + i },
                        { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                        { "level", "Programmer" },
                        { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                    };
                    employees.Insert(employee);
                }
                else
                {
                    BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                        { "name", "Employee " + i },
                        { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                        { "level", "Architect" },
                        { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                    };
                    employees.Insert(employee);
                }
            }


        }
```

To find a single piece of data, use **`FindOne()`** from the collection object. **`FindOne()`** returns one document that satisfies the specified query criteria. If more than one document satisfies the query, this method returns the first document.

The following example demonstrates finding a single document. The output is shown in Figure 25.

```
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");

            // Find one.
            BsonDocument employee = employees.FindOne();
            Console.WriteLine(employee.ToString());
            Console.WriteLine("");
```

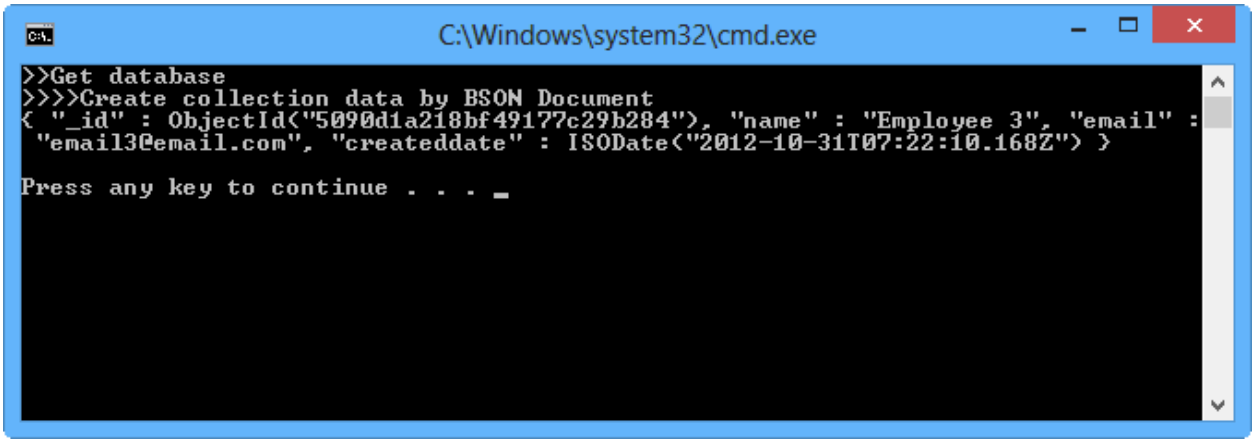


Figure 25: Finding a single document

Query

In the previous section, we searched for individual data without criteria. Now we will find data based on criteria.

To query data in MongoDB, you can use the **`QueryDocument`** object and pass it key and value parameters.

Create a **`QueryDocument`** object for data with the level "**`Programmer`**". After that, pass the **`QueryDocument`** object to the **`Find()`** method and return a list of documents. Display this list in the console.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>>>>>>>>query 1");
            var query1 = new QueryDocument("level", "Programmer");
            foreach (BsonDocument emp in employees.Find(query1))
            {
                Console.WriteLine(emp.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
```

If you run the previous code, you will get data filtered to the programmer level, as shown in Figure 26.

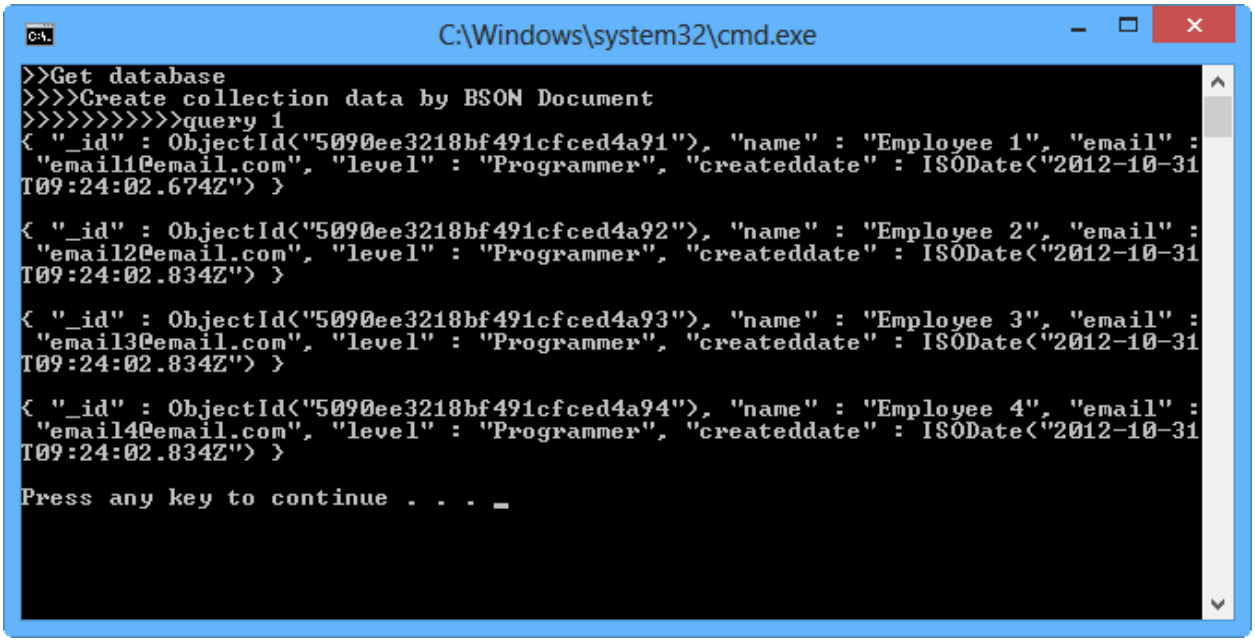


Figure 26: Finding with criteria

You can also use the **Query** object to query data. It provides many methods such as **EQ** (equal), **And**, **Or**, etc. These methods are useful for building query criteria.

For example, query data with the name "**Employee 5**" and call the **EQ()** method. Running the following code will return a response as shown in Figure 27.

```
Console.WriteLine(">>>>>>>>>>>query 2");
var query2 = Query.EQ("name", BsonValue.Create("Employee 5"));
BsonDocument emp2 = employees.FindOne(query2);
Console.WriteLine(emp2.ToString());
Console.WriteLine("");
```

Try a query with **and** criteria. You can use the **And()** method of the query object. Running the following code will return the program output shown in Figure 28.

```
Console.WriteLine(">>>>>>>>>>>query 3");
var query3 = Query.And(
        Query.NE("name", BsonValue.Create("Employee")),
        Query.EQ("level", BsonValue.Create("Programmer"))
    );
foreach (BsonDocument emp in employees.Find(query3))
{
    Console.WriteLine(emp.ToString());
    Console.WriteLine("");
}
```

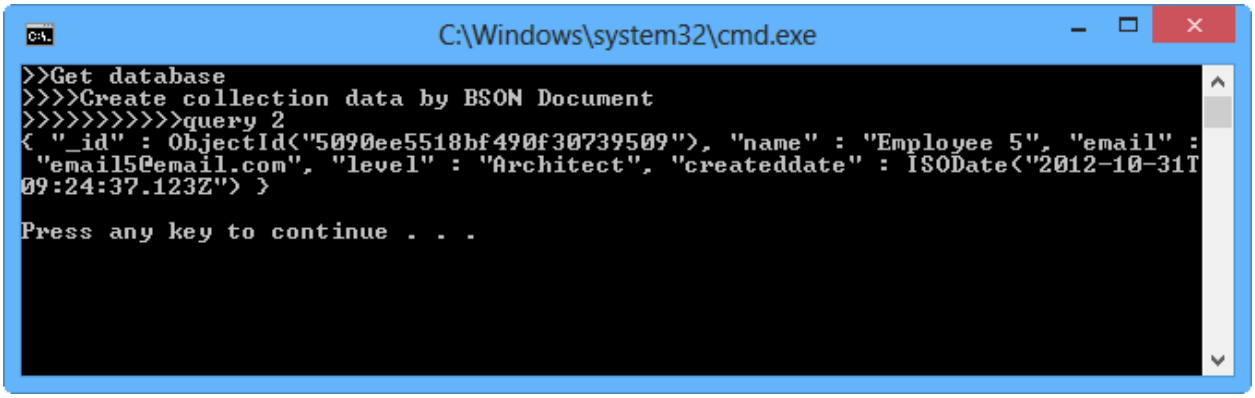


Figure 27: Querying data with EQ()

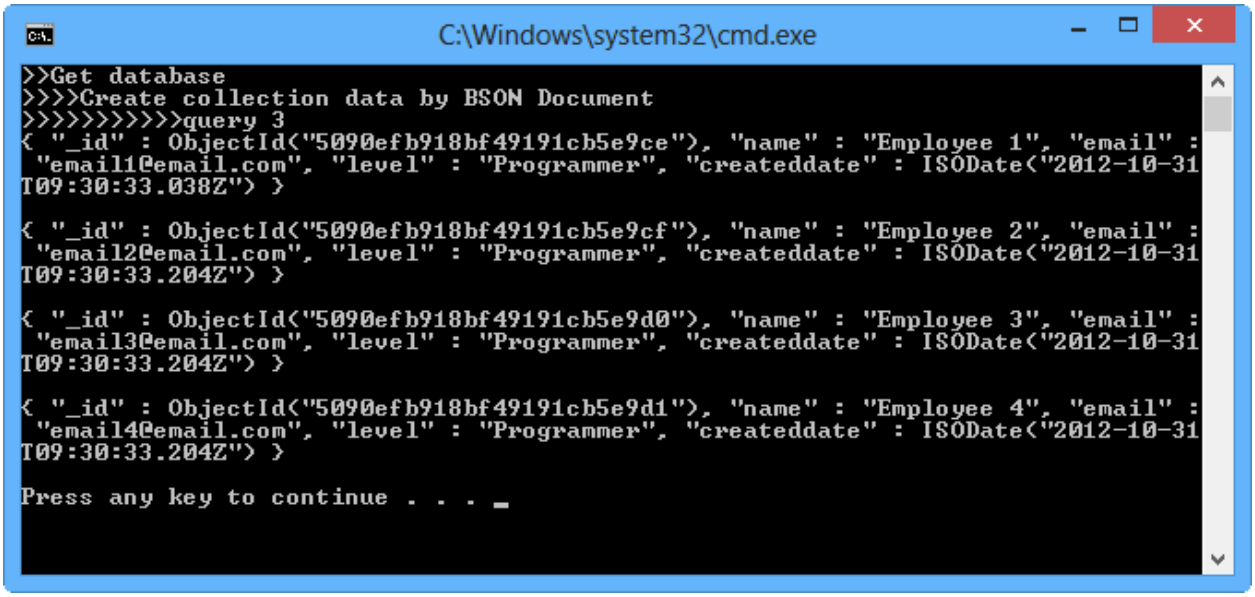


Figure 28: Querying data with EQ() and NE()

Query and Remove

Now we can remove data based on specific criteria.

For example, if you want to delete data that has the name "**Employee 7**" or the level "**Programmer**", use the following code example. You will get the output shown in Figure 29.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>>>>>>>>query 4");
            var query4 = Query.Or(
                    Query.EQ("name", BsonValue.Create("Employee 7")),
                    Query.EQ("level", BsonValue.Create("Programmer"))
                );
            employees.Remove(query4);
            foreach (BsonDocument emp in employees.FindAll())
            {
```

```
                Console.WriteLine(emp.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
```

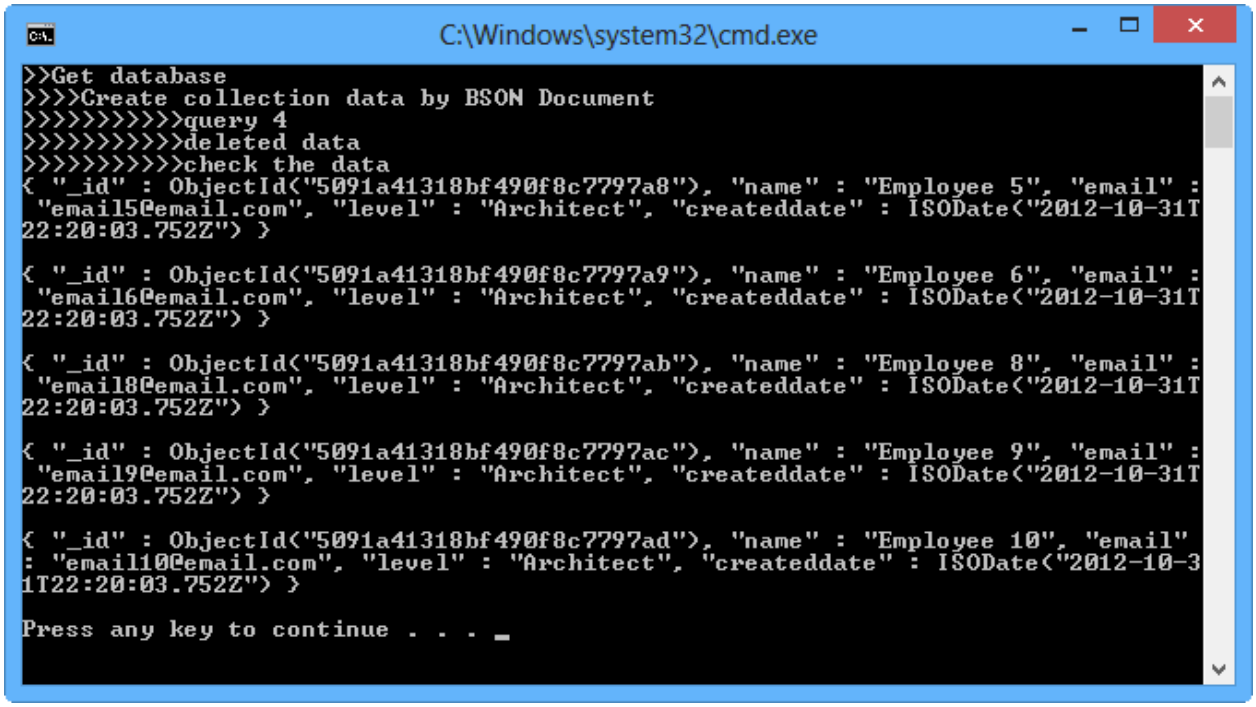


Figure 29: Removing data based on criteria

Chapter 6 Binary and Image Collection Data

In this chapter, we're going to learn how to work with binary and image data in MongoDB.

First, create a **Console Application** and include the following namespaces.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Builders;
using MongoDB.Driver.GridFS;
using System.IO;
```

Inserting an Image or Binary File

In the first scenario, you will learn to insert an image file into the MongoDB database.

Use the collection **`sign`** for image manipulation.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> signs =
database.GetCollection("sign");
```

To work with a binary file such as an image, document file, or some other binary file, you can use the **`MongoGridFS`** object. **`GridFS`** is a specification for storing and retrieving files bigger than 16 MB, which is the BSON document size limit. **`GridFS`** by default will store the files in two separate collections:

- **`fs.chunks`**: Stores the file as binary chunks.
- **`fs.files`**: Stores the file's metadata.

We can insert a binary file by calling **`Upload()`**. In the following example, we insert three image files through **`GridFS`**.

```
            // Insert image file in GridFS.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Insert file into GridFS");
            MongoGridFS gfs = new MongoGridFS(database);
            MongoGridFSFileInfo gfsi1 = gfs.Upload(@"c:\temp\1.png");
            MongoGridFSFileInfo gfsi2 = gfs.Upload(@"c:\temp\2.png");
            MongoGridFSFileInfo gfsi3 = gfs.Upload(@"c:\temp\3.png");
```

If successful, you can see these image files inside MongoDB. Figure 30 shows the Mongo shell displaying the image files, names, sizes, and checksums.

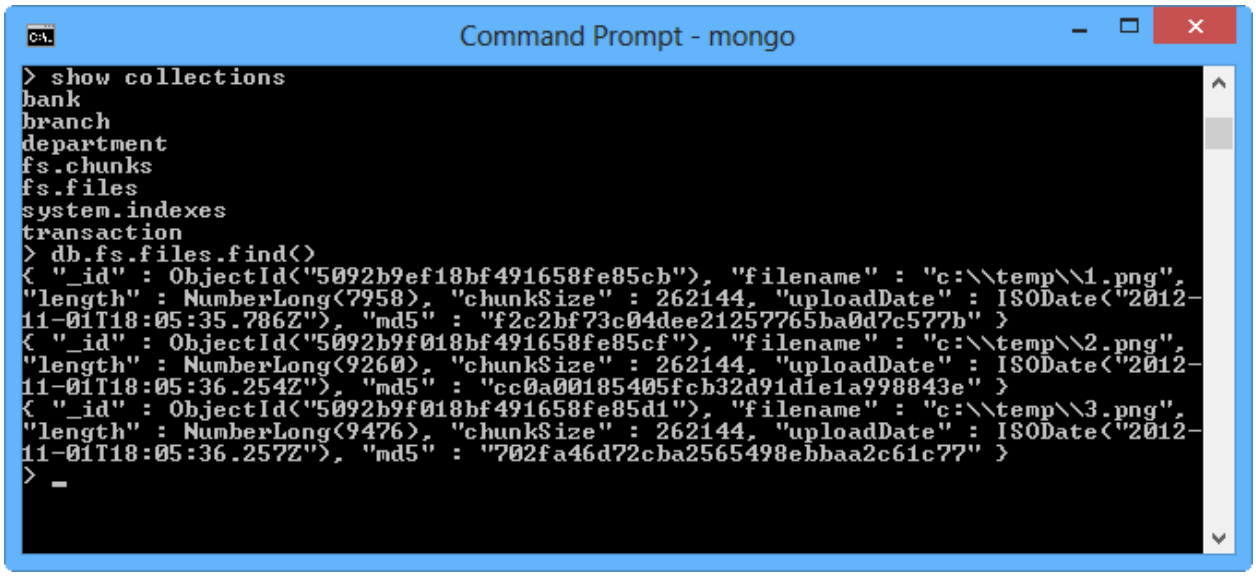


Figure 30: Showing image files in MongoDB using the Mongo shell

Mapping GridFS and Collection Data

After inserting a binary file in GridFS, we have to map the GridFS ID to our collection data. This is important because GridFS doesn't provide the data information as a document in a collection. GridFS only provides information related to binary data information, such as the size and checksum.

An easier way to map between GridFS and a document is to attach the GridFS ID in one of document fields. For example, examine the following code.

```
        // Map image file into document.
        Console.WriteLine(">>Map GridFS file and collection document");
        BsonDocument sign1 = new BsonDocument {
                { "name", "Sign 1" },
                { "filename", gfsi1.Name },
                { "gridfsid", gfsi1.Id.AsObjectId },
                { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
            };
        signs.Insert(sign1);
        BsonDocument sign2 = new BsonDocument {
                { "name", "Sign 2" },
                { "filename", gfsi2.Name },
                { "gridfsid", gfsi2.Id.AsObjectId },
                { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
            };
        signs.Insert(sign2);
        BsonDocument sign3 = new BsonDocument {
                { "name", "Sign 3" },
                { "filename", gfsi3.Name },
                { "gridfsid", gfsi3.Id.AsObjectId },
                { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
            };
        signs.Insert(sign3);
```

The **gridfsid** field consists of the GridFS ID with the **ObjectId** data type.

Run the previous code example to see the sign collection in MongoDB, as shown in Figure 31.

Figure 31: Mapping GridFS IDs to document field

Reading GridFS Data

To get binary data from GridFS, you can use the **Download()** method with specific criteria.

You have already mapped the GridFS IDs into one of the document fields, so you can use the GridFS ID to retrieve the GridFS object.

Use the following code.

```
            // Get all data.
            Console.WriteLine("››Get all data");
            foreach (BsonDocument sign in signs.FindAll())
            {
                string 45ilename =
sign.GetElement("filename").Value.AsString;
                string signName = sign.GetElement("name").Value.AsString;
                ObjectId gridfsId =
sign.GetElement("gridfsid").Value.AsObjectId;

                Console.WriteLine("name: {0}",signName);
                Console.WriteLine("file name: {0}", 45ilename);
                Console.WriteLine("");

                gfs.Download("c:/temp/download-" +
Path.GetFileName(45ilename), Query.EQ("_id", BsonValue.Create(gridfsId)));
            }
```

This example retrieves GridFS data by calling the **`Download()`** method. The data can then be stored in a folder.

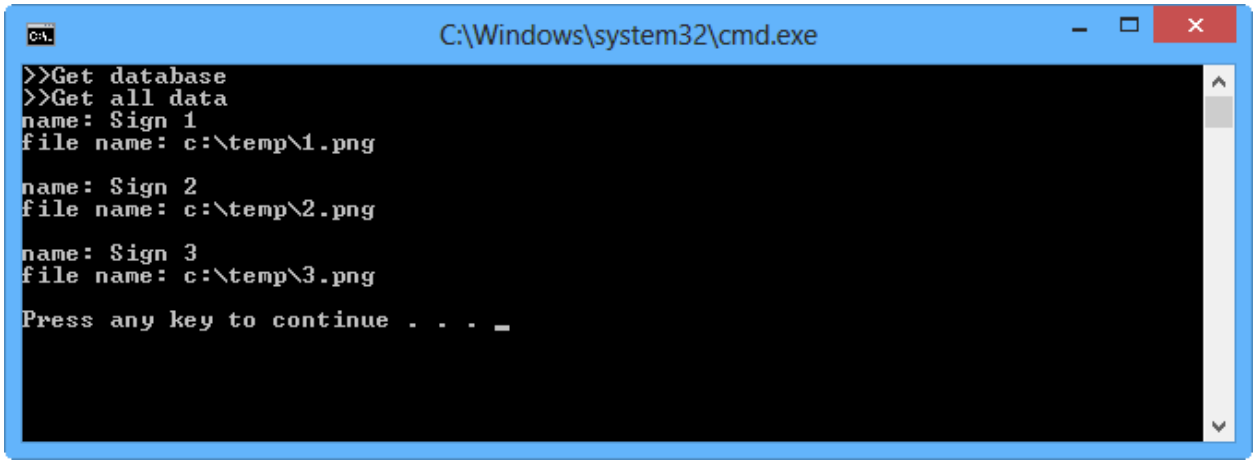


Figure 32: Showing GridFS and collection

Deleting GridFS Data

You can delete GridFS data by calling **`DeleteById()`** and passing the GridFS IDs to this method.

The following code example deletes data from GridFS.

```
            // Remove file by Id.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Delete all");
            gfs.DeleteById(gfsi1.Id.AsObjectId);
            gfs.DeleteById(gfsi2.Id.AsObjectId);
            gfs.DeleteById(gfsi3.Id.AsObjectId);
```

Chapter 7 Embedded Document

In this chapter, you will learn how to work with an embedded document in MongoDB.

Embedded documents are single document structures that embed document structures as sub-documents in a field or array within a document.

Rather than linking various sub-documents by their respective identifiers which usually happens in relational databases, embedded documents contain the full data structure. The advantage of embedded documents is that this model allows applications to retrieve data in a single database request.

Use the console application for testing. Write the following namespace and don't forget to add a reference to the MongoDB driver for C#.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Builders;
```

Preparation

Prepare your database and collection with the following code.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);
```

You can change the database connection string.

Simple Embedded Document

In this scenario, we're building an application to:

- Create an embedded document.
- Read all embedded documents.
- Find and query.

What does an embedded document look like? The following code example is a simple embedded document in JSON format where the user field contains an embedded sub-document.

```
    {
        'tranid': 1,
        'name': 'abcdedf',
        'createddate': '2/10/2012',
        'user': {
            'name': 'mr.abc',
            'email': 'abc@email.com'
        }
    }
```

Now you can insert a simple embedded document. The following code example does this.

```
        private static void CreateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            // // Create data for 3 transaction with BSON.
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++)
            {
                BsonDocument transaction = new BsonDocument {
                    { "tranid", ObjectId.GenerateNewId() },
                    { "name", String.Format("Transaction {0}", i) },
                    { "createddate", DateTime.Now },
                    { "user", new BsonDocument{
                            {"name", "customer" + i},
                            {"email",
string.Format("customer{0}@email.com",i)}
                        }
                    };

                transactions.Insert(transaction);
            }

        }
```

Run this code, and then check it on the MongoDB database. You should get the inserted data. You can see the sample data in Figure 33.

Figure 33: Inserting an embedded document

To read your embedded document, get the normal document and then go deep into the embedded document.

```
        private static void ReadDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Read collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            foreach (BsonDocument doc in transactions.FindAll())
            {
                foreach (string name in doc.Names)
                {
                    BsonElement element = doc.GetElement(name);
                    Console.WriteLine("{0}: {1}", name, element);
                }
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
        }
```

Running the previous example will get a list of documents. The output is shown in Figure 34.

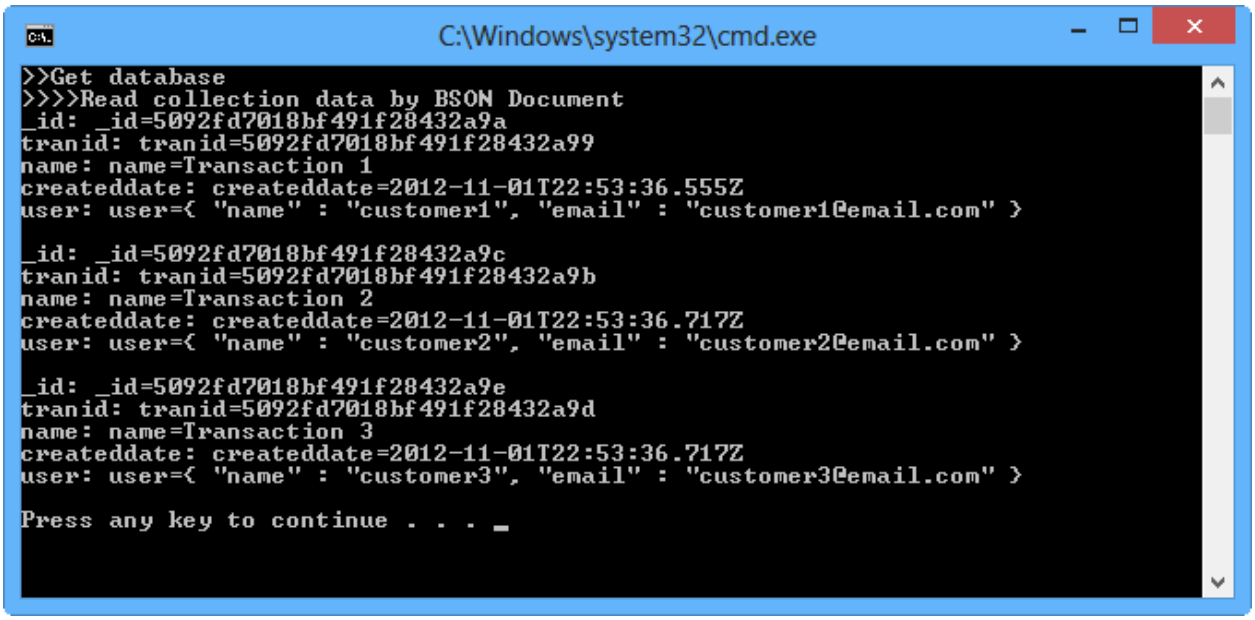


Figure 34: Showing embedded documents

Next, we're going to find and query data.

To find data in an embedded document, you can use the **`Query`** object with query criteria.

For instance, to find a single document with the name "customer3", put the filter criteria into the **`Query`** object, and then call the **`FindOne()`** method to get the data.

```
        private static void FindDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Find collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");

            var query = Query.EQ("user.name", BsonValue.Create("customer3"));
            BsonDocument doc = transactions.FindOne(query);
            Console.WriteLine(doc.ToString());
            Console.WriteLine("");
        }
```

The program output is shown in Figure 35.

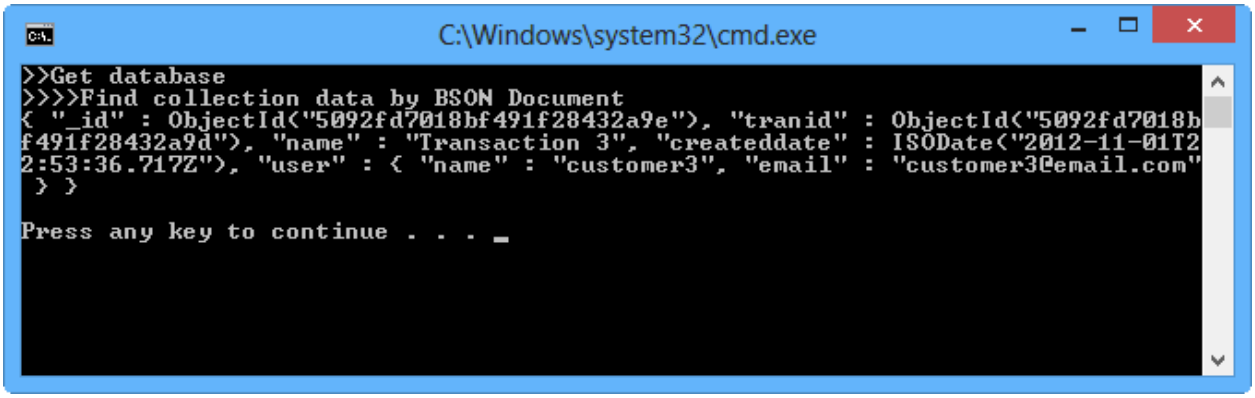


Figure 35: Finding with filter criteria

To update the existing embedded document, use the following code example.

```
        private static void UpdateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Update collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            BsonDocument doc = transactions.FindOne();
            // Show data.
            foreach (string name in doc.Names)
            {
                BsonElement element = doc.GetElement(name);
                Console.WriteLine("{0}: {1}", name, element.Value);
            }
            Console.WriteLine("");

            BsonDocument user = doc["user"].AsBsonDocument;
            user.Set("name", BsonValue.Create("update-customer"));
            user.Set("email", BsonValue.Create("update-customer@email.com"));

            doc.SetElement(new BsonElement("user",user));
            transactions.Save(doc);
            Console.WriteLine("updated data was success");

            // Show data.
            ReadDemo(database);
        }
```

After you get a document object, you can get the embedded document object from its field.

```
            BsonDocument user = doc["user"].AsBsonDocument;
```

Call **`Set()`** to update the embedded document field value. Then replace the existing data by calling **`SetElement()`**. Don't forget to call **`Save()`**.

```
            BsonDocument user = doc["user"].AsBsonDocument;
            user.Set("name", BsonValue.Create("update-customer"));
            user.Set("email", BsonValue.Create("update-customer@email.com"));

            doc.SetElement(new BsonElement("user",user));
            transactions.Save(doc);
```

Run this code. You can see the program output in Figure 36.

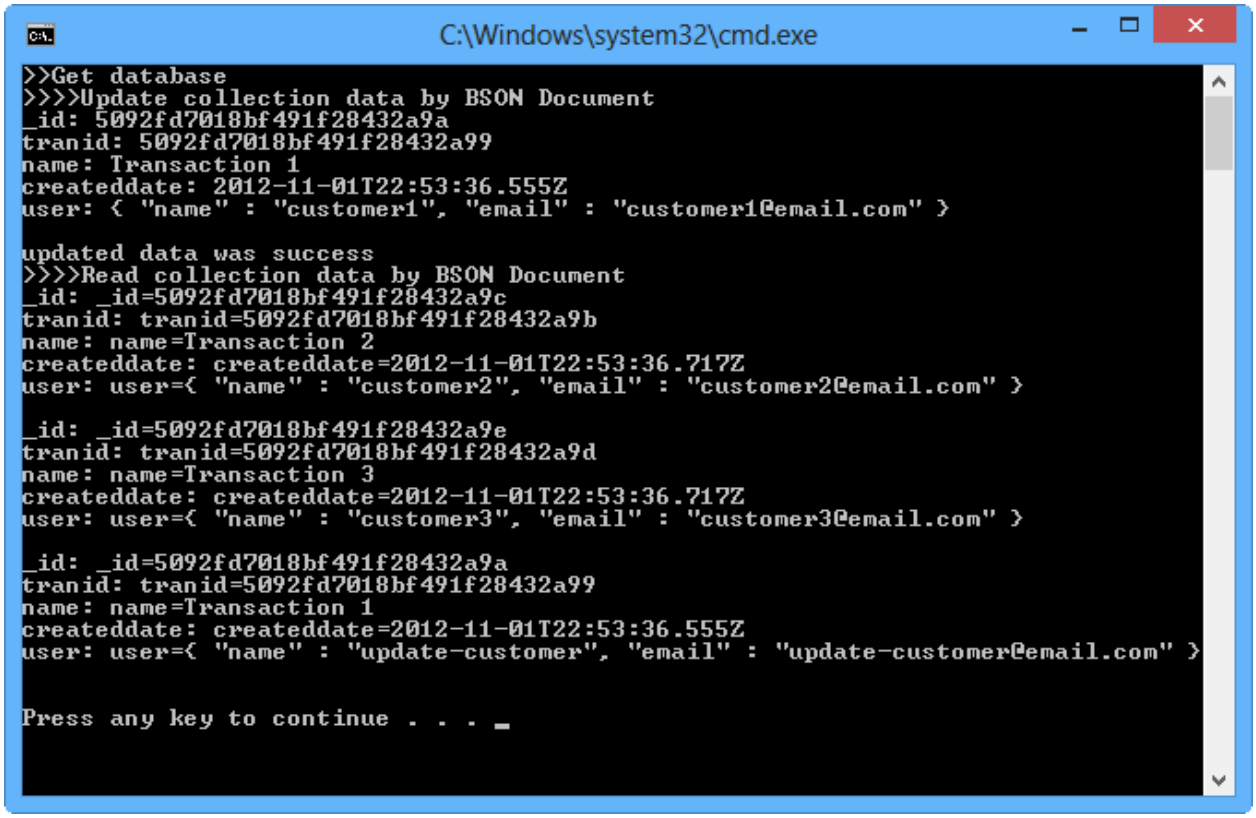


Figure 36: Updating data for an embedded document

Embedded Document Collection

Sometimes you need an array of embedded documents such as **`order`** and **`orderdetail`**. One **`order`** has many **`orderdetail`**. For instance, the following is a sample of an embedded document collection

```
    {
        'tranid': 1,
        'name': 'trans 1',
        'createddate': '2/10/2012',
        'orders': [
            {
                'productid': 'product 1',
                'price': '100',
                'userid': 'user1'
            },
            {
                'productid': 'product 2',
                'price': '110',
                'userid': 'user1'
            },
            {
                'productid': 'product 3',
                'price': '90',
                'userid': 'user1'
            },
            {
                'productid': 'product 4',
                'price': '210',
                'userid': 'user1'
            }
        ]
    }
```

You can see that the **orders** field stores a collection of embedded documents.

First, we will create an embedded document collection. Use the **BsonArray** object to store embedded document collections. The following code example creates an array of embedded documents.

```
        private static void CreateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            // // create data for 5 transaction with BSON
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            int index = 0;
            for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++)
            {
                BsonDocument transaction = new BsonDocument {
                    { "tranid", ObjectId.GenerateNewId() },
                    { "name", String.Format("Transaction {0}", i) },
                    { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                };
```

```
                BsonArray orders = new BsonArray();

                for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++)
                {
                    orders.Add(new BsonDocument{
                        {"productid", 100+j},
                        {"price", 500+j},
                        {"userid", 100+index}
                    });
                    index++;
                }
                BsonElement element = new BsonElement("orders", orders);
                transaction.Add(element);

                transactions.Insert(transaction);
            }

        }
```

Run this code. You can check the result by using the Mongo shell to open your collection. You will get a list of embedded documents with embedded collections. A sample of the program output is shown in Figure 37.

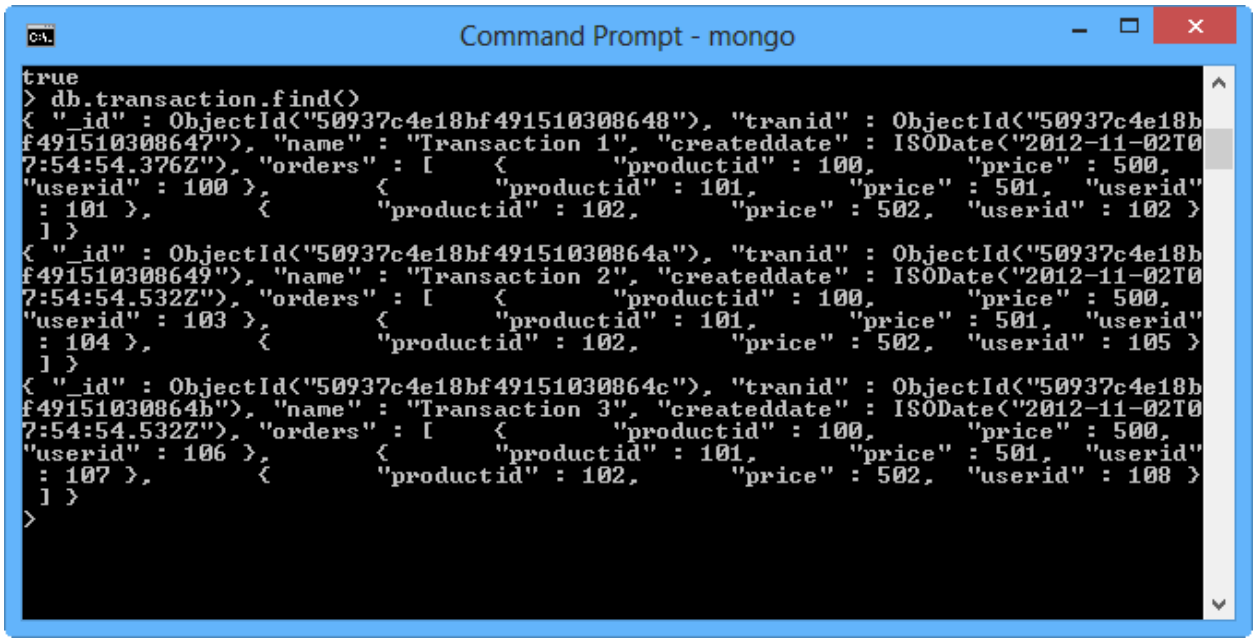


Figure 37: Inserting embedded document collection

After creating the embedded document collection, you can read the data.

You can use **`FindAll()`** to retrieve all data. Running the following code will get a list of the embedded documents collection in the console, as shown in Figure 38.

```
        private static void ReadDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Read collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            foreach (BsonDocument doc in transactions.FindAll())
            {
                Console.WriteLine(doc.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }

        }
```

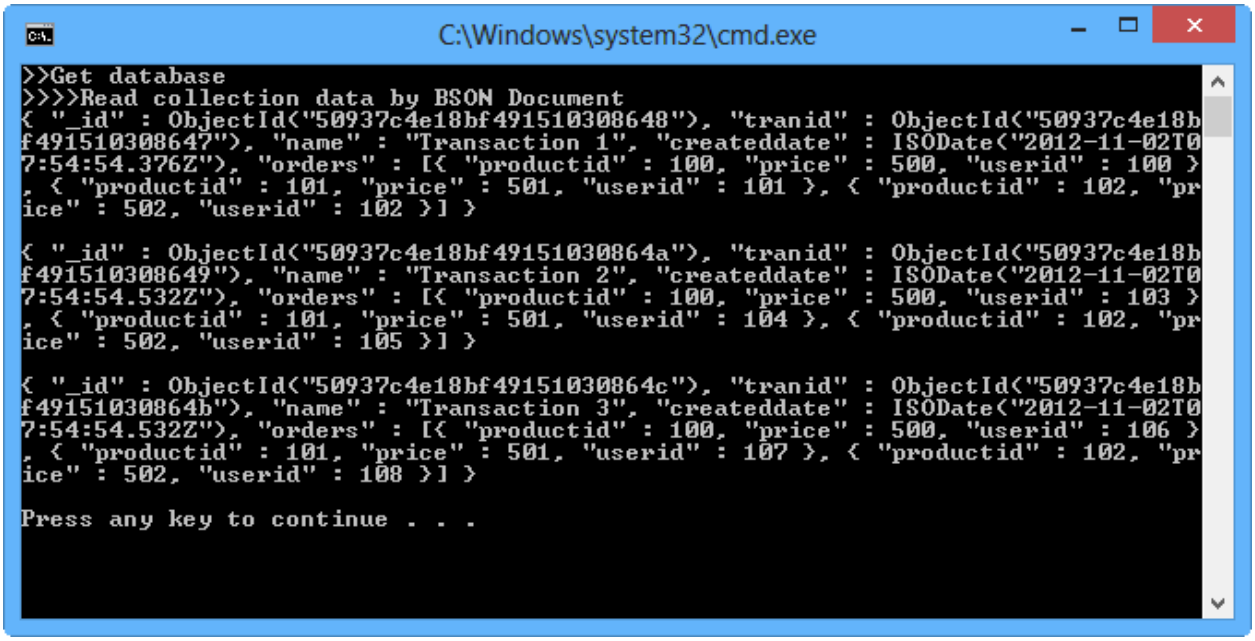


Figure 38: Reading all embedded documents collection

You also can find documents based on the embedded document field. Use **`Find()`** with the **`Query`** object for filtering criteria. The following code example implements this scenario.

```
        private static void FindDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Find collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");

            var query = Query.EQ("orders.userid", BsonValue.Create(100));
            foreach (BsonDocument doc in transactions.Find(query))
            {
                Console.WriteLine(doc.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
        }
```

Running this code will produce the program output in Figure 39.

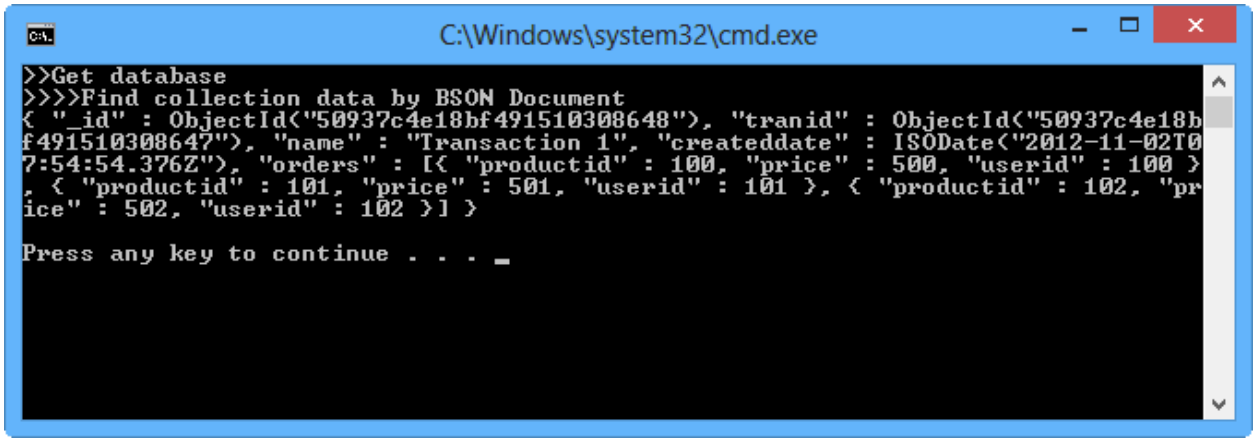


Figure 39: Reading the data based on the filter criteria

You can use **`Update.Set()`** with a parameter and value to update the data inside an embedded document. After that, call **`Update()`** from the collection object.

The following example updates an embedded document.

```
        private static void UpdateDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Update collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");

            var query = Query.EQ("orders.productid", BsonValue.Create(100));
            var update = Update.Set("orders.$.price", BsonValue.Create(700));
            var option = new MongoUpdateOptions();
            option.Flags = UpdateFlags.Multi;
            transactions.Update(query, update, option);
            foreach (BsonDocument doc in transactions.Find(query))
            {
                Console.WriteLine(doc.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine("");
            }
            Console.WriteLine("updated data was success");

        }
```

The dollar sign in **orders.$.price** acts as a placeholder to update the first element that matches the query condition in an update.

Running this example will produce the program output in Figure 40. All prices become 700.

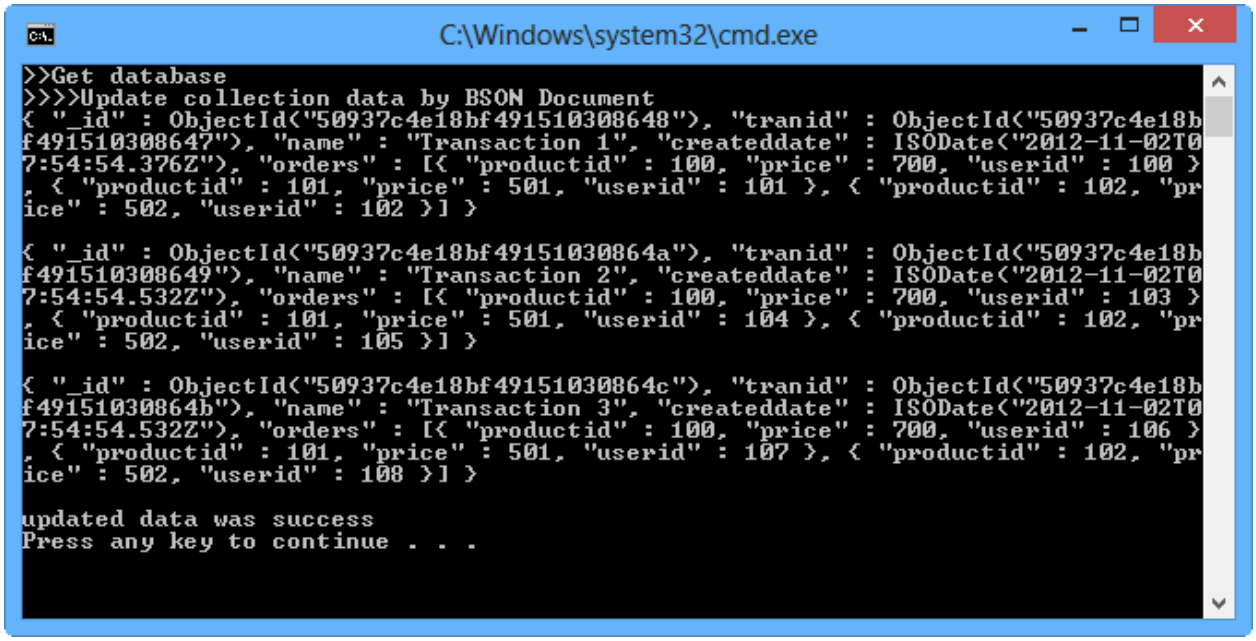


Figure 40: Updating data in an embedded document collection

To delete the data, you can use the **Drop()** method of the collection object. The following code example deletes the collection.

```
        private static void DeleteDemo(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Delete all data in transaction
collection");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> transactions =
database.GetCollection("transaction");
            CommandResult result = transactions.Drop();
            if (result.Ok)
                Console.WriteLine("deleted all data in transaction collection
was success");
            else
                Console.WriteLine(result.ErrorMessage);
        }
```

Chapter 8 LINQ

In this chapter, you will learn how to use LINQ in MongoDB.

In general, only LINQ queries that can be translated to an equivalent MongoDB query are supported. A runtime exception is thrown if the LINQ query contains a predicate that can't be translated. The error message will give information about the unsupported query.

Preparation

After creating the console application, add the MongoDB driver files into your project.

Write the following code for the namespace.

```
using System;
using System.Linq;
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Linq;
```

Next, we prepare a database and generate data for testing.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

            GenerateData(database);
```

The **`GenerateData()`** method generates 10 documents for testing purposes.

The following code example shows an implementation of the **`GenerateData()`** method.

```
        private static void GenerateData(MongoDatabase database)
        {
            // // Create data for 10 employees with BSON.
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>Create collection data by BSON Document");
            MongoCollection<BsonDocument> employees =
database.GetCollection("employee");
            for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++)
```

```
            {
                if (i < 5)
                {
                    BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                        { "name", "Employee " + i },
                        { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                        { "level", "Programmer" },
                        { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                    };
                    employees.Insert(employee);
                }
                else
                {
                    BsonDocument employee = new BsonDocument {
                        { "name", "Employee " + i },
                        { "email", String.Format("email{0}@email.com", i) },
                        { "level", "Architect" },
                        { "createddate", DateTime.Now }
                    };
                    employees.Insert(employee);
                }
            }

        }
```

If you run this code, you can see the data in the MongoDB database as shown in Figure 41.

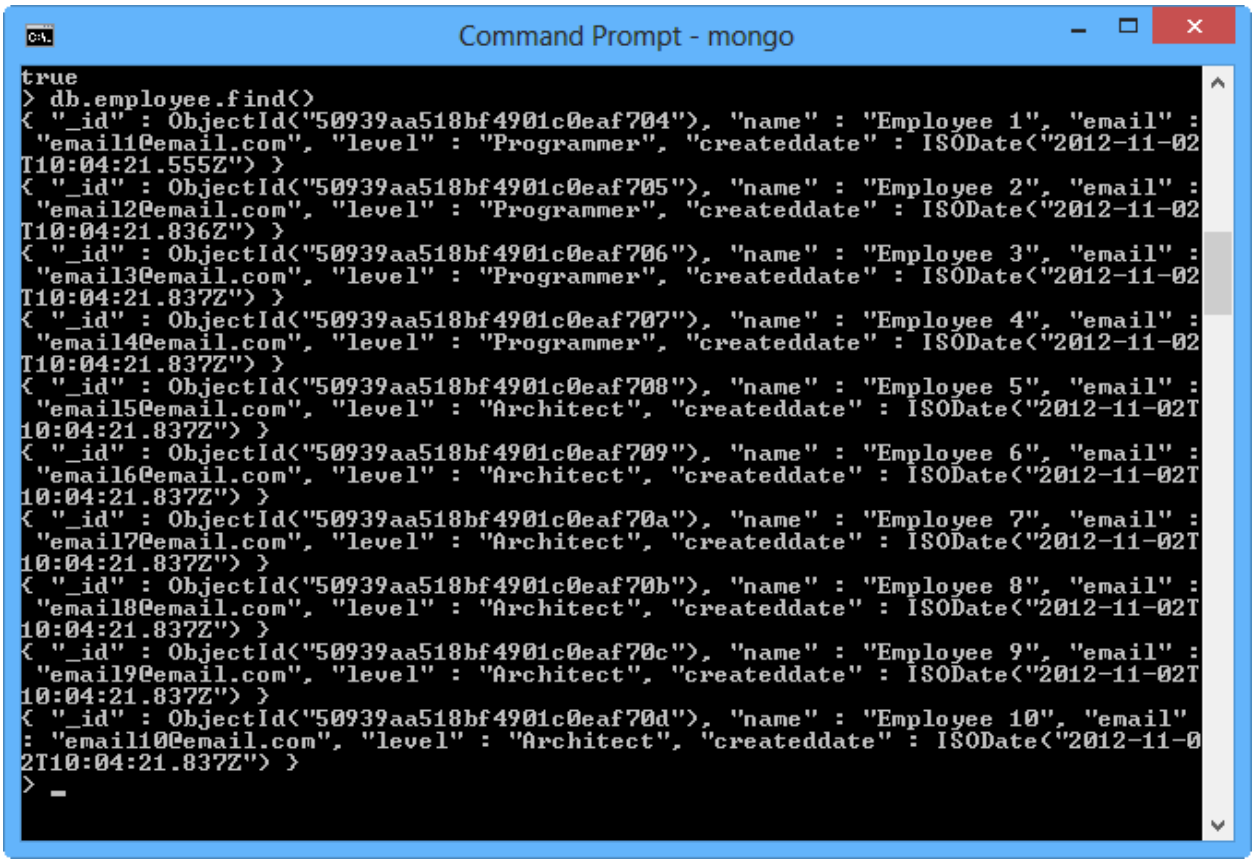


Figure 41: Generating data for testing purposes

Querying with LINQ

To query using LINQ, get the collection object based on the entity object. For example, get the **`employee`** collection and convert it into the **`Employee`** entity object.

The following example shows LINQ code for MongoDB. Running it will produce the output shown in Figure 42.

```
var employees = database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");

// LINQ #1
Console.WriteLine(">>>>>Linq 1");
var query = from a in employees.AsQueryable<Employee>()
            where a.Level=="Architect"
            select a;
foreach (var employee in query)
{
    Console.WriteLine(employee);
}
```

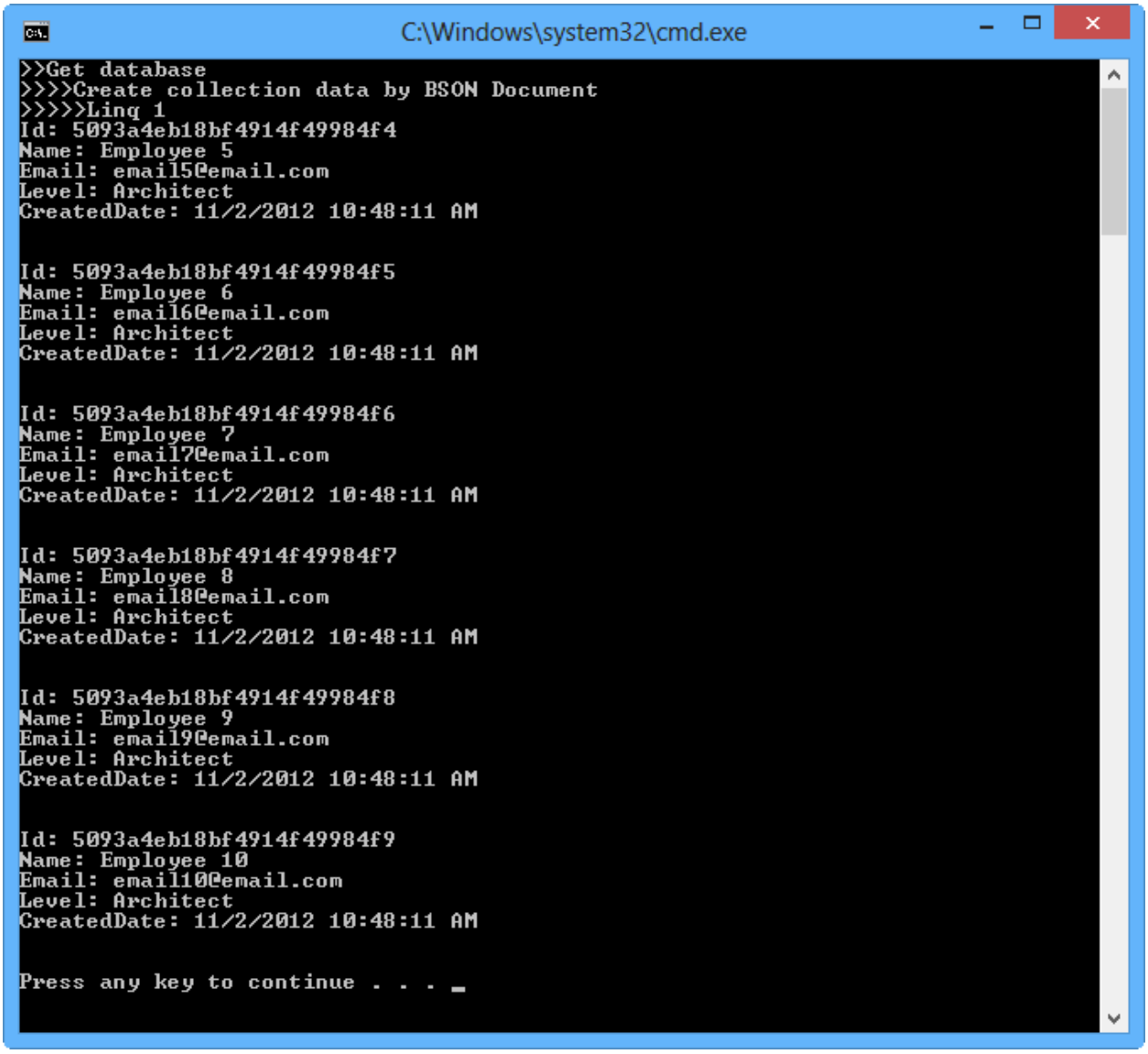


Figure 42: Showing data using LINQ

You can use the entity object and LINQ to retrieve MongoDB data.

The **`Employee`** entity object is defined as follows.

```
    public class Employee
    {
        [BsonElementAttribute("_id")]
        public ObjectId Id { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("name")]
        public string Name { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("email")]
        public string Email { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("level")]
        public string Level { set; get; }
```

```
        [BsonElementAttribute("createddate")]
        public DateTime CreateDate { set; get; }

        public override string ToString()
        {
            string str = string.Format("Id: {0}\r\nName: {1}\r\nEmail:
{2}\r\nLevel: {3}\r\nCreatedDate: {4}\r\n\r\n",
                        Id,Name,Email,Level,CreateDate);
            return str;
        }
    }
```

A namespace must be added for the entity object, as shown in the following example.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Bson.Serialization.Attributes;
using MongoDB.Bson;
```

Now you can query the data as follows. Running the code will produce the output shown in Figure 43.

```
            // LINQ #2
            Console.WriteLine(">>>>>Linq 2");
            var query2 = from a in employees.AsQueryable<Employee>()
                         where a.Level == "Architect" || a.Email ==
"email3@email.com"
                         select a;
            foreach (var employee in query2)
            {
                Console.WriteLine(employee);
            }
```

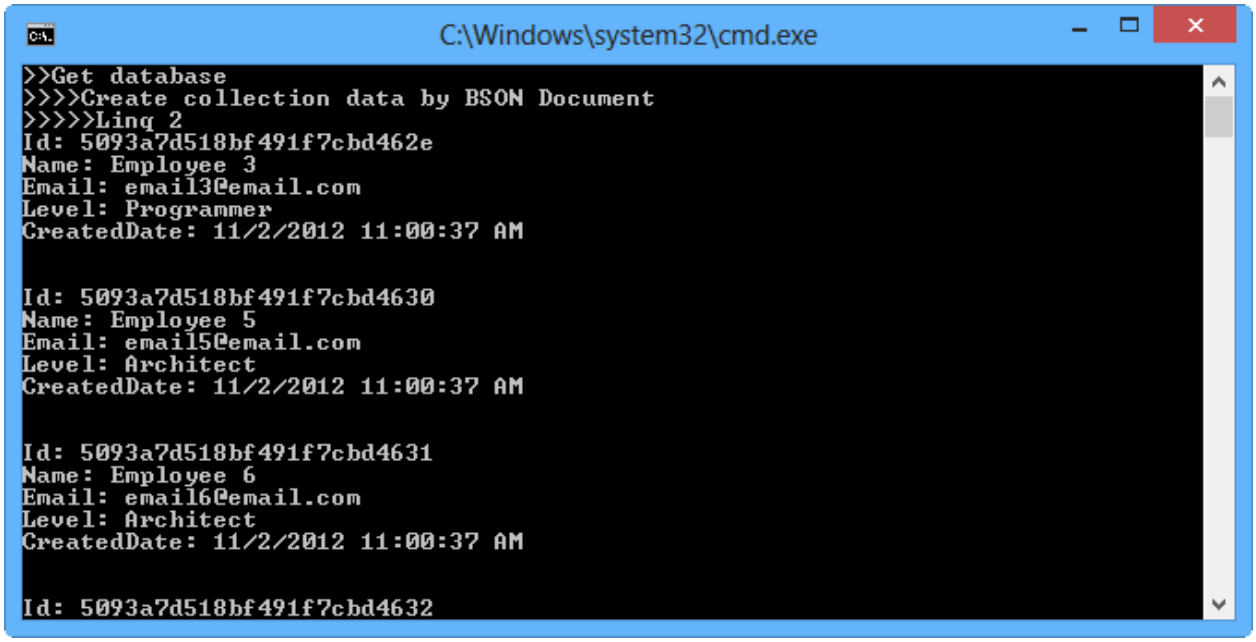


Figure 43: Querying data using LINQ and entity object

Chapter 9 Working with MongoDB Shell

In this chapter, you will learn how to use the MongoDB shell.

What is MongoDB Shell?

MongoDB provides a shell to manage a MongoDB server. To start the MongoDB shell, you must call the Mongo shell. Open the Command Prompt window, type the following, and press Enter.

```
mongo
```

You will get an error message as shown in Figure 44. You can configure the MongoDB path using environment variables, as shown in Figure 45. If you want to configure the path for the user, select **PATH** in the **User Variable** menu. You will get a dialog as shown in Figure 46. Add the MongoDB folder where **mongo.exe** is located, for instance **c:\mongo\bin**, as the **Variable value**. After that, click **OK**.

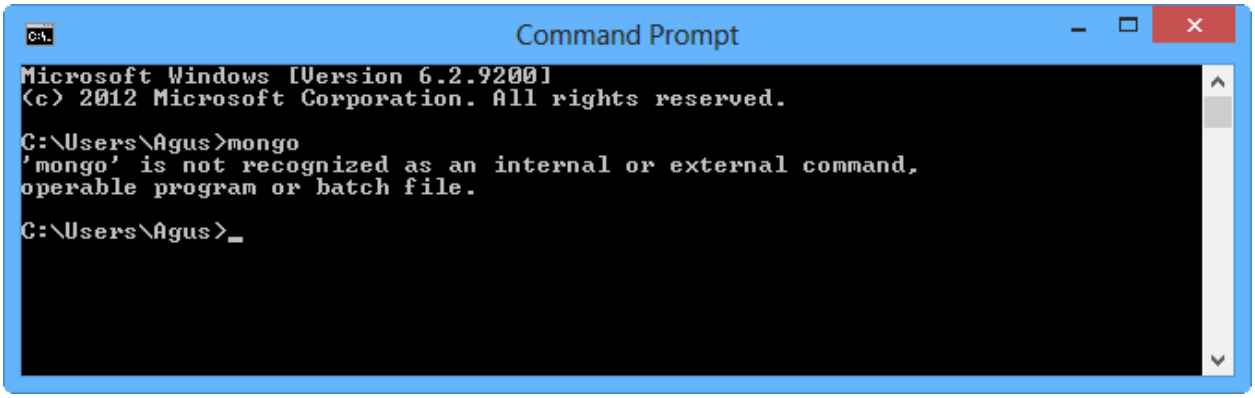


Figure 44: Mongo command is unkown in the Command Prompt

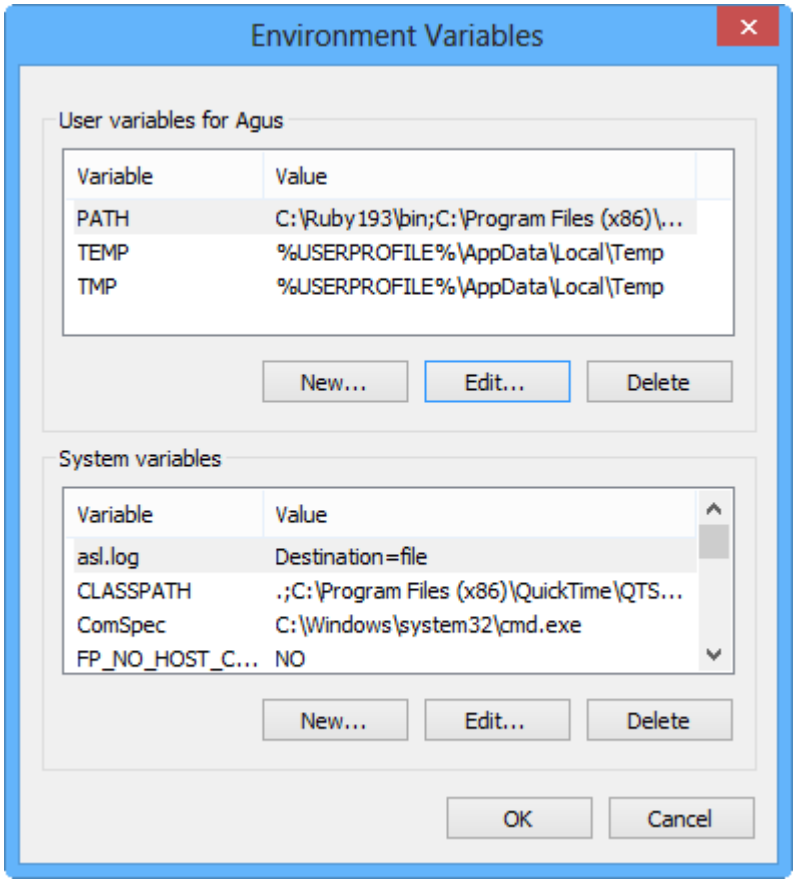


Figure 45: Configuring the path in Environment Variables

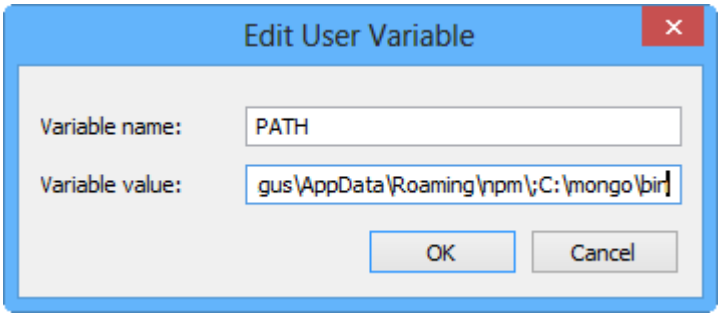


Figure 46: Adding the Mongo path

Now type the following in the Command Prompt and press Enter.

```
mongo
```

If successful, you will start the Mongo shell as shown in Figure 47.

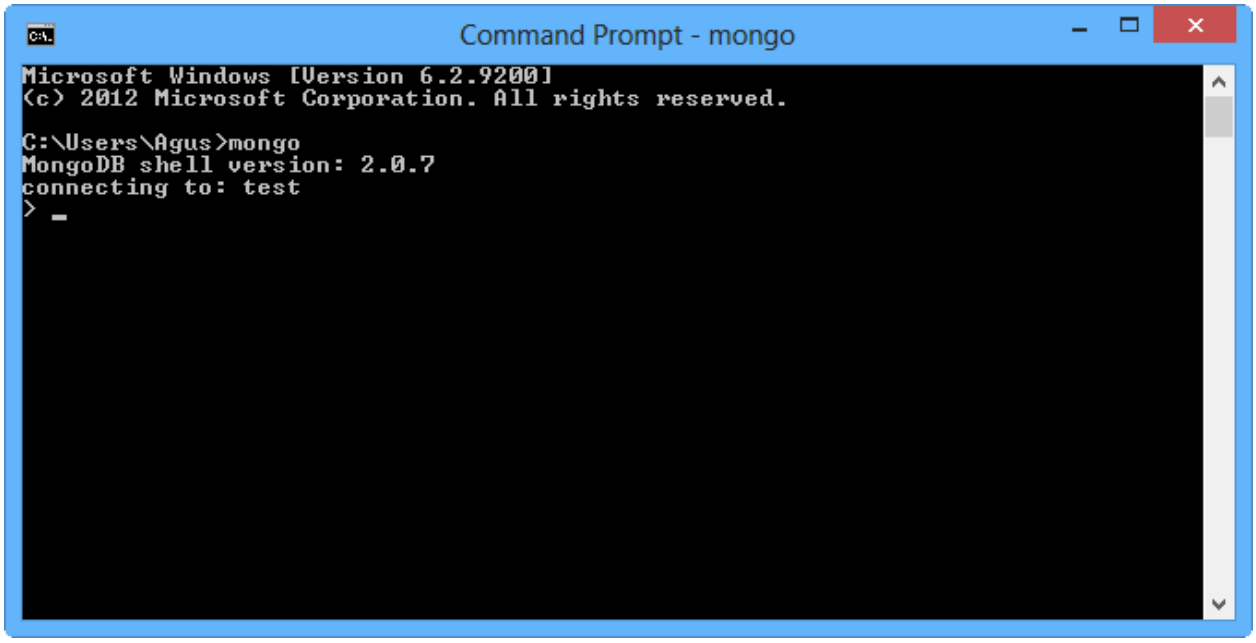


Figure 47: The Mongo shell

Type the following command to get information about the Mongo shell.

```
help
```

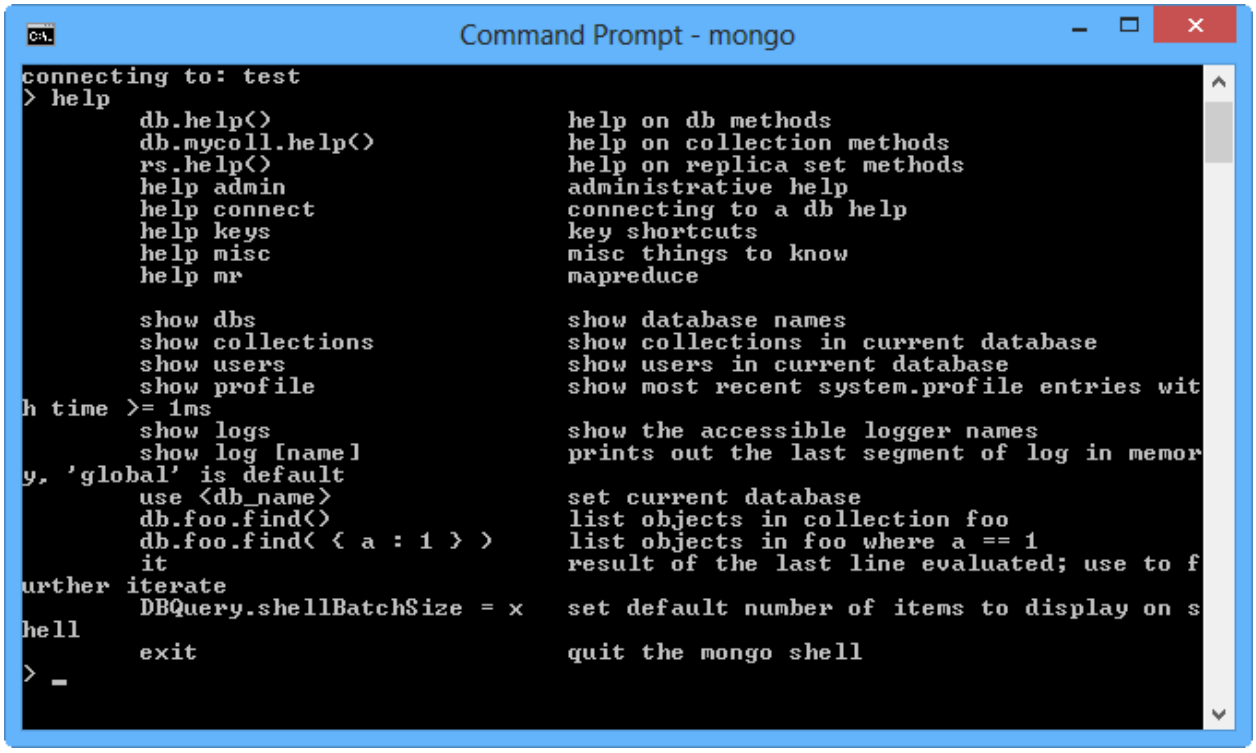


Figure 48: Help in the Mongo shell

The following is another command available for getting information about the Mongo shell.

```
db.help()
```

Databases

The Mongo shell doesn't explicitly provide commands for creating databases. When you insert at least one document into a collection, MongoDB will create a database if one doesn't exist.

First, get the list of databases in MongoDB.

```
show dbs
```

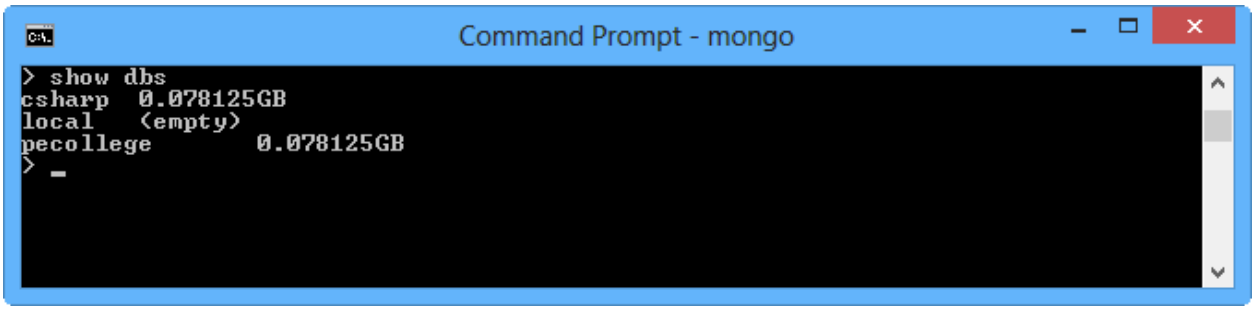


Figure 49: A list of databases

In this scenario, we will create a database called mydb by trying to insert one document. This action will make MongoDB create a database.

To navigate to our new database, use the following command. Don't worry if the database doesn't exist.

```
use mydb
```

The sample shell output is shown in Figure 50.

Next, we insert data into a collection called customers.

```
Db.customers.insert({firstname:'agus',lastname:'kurniawan'})
```

Use the following command.

```
show dbs
```

You see a new database, as shown in Figure 51.

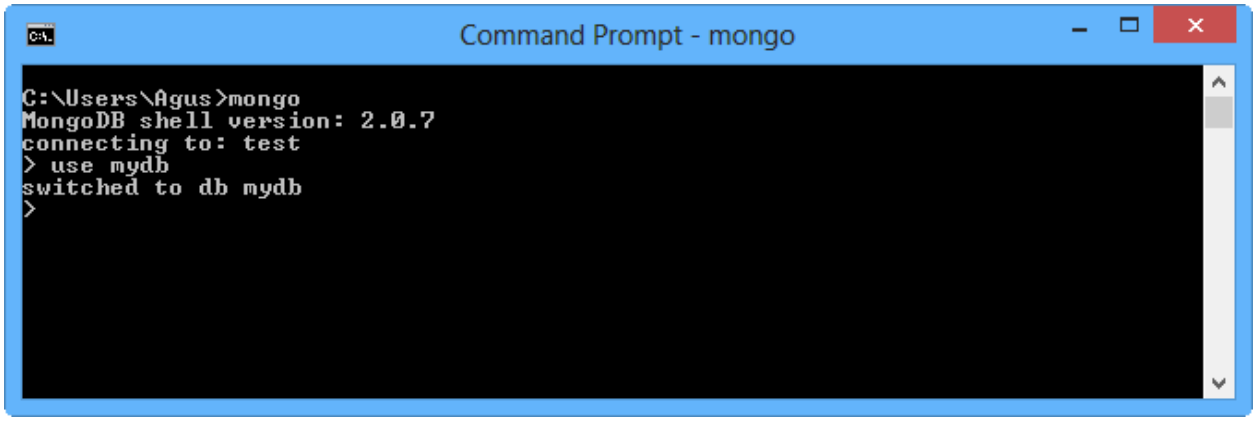


Figure 50: Switching to a database

Figure 51: Showing a new database

Database User

You may want to add database users for security purposes. You can use **`addUser()`** with username and password parameters.

The following example is a simple script to add a database user with the username "**`user1`**" and the password "**`123`**".

```
db.addUser('user1','password');
```

If it is successful, you will see the response in the Mongo shell as shown in Figure 52.

Figure 52: Adding a database user

Now your database has a database user. This means you can access the database if you pass the username and password.

Let's test our new user in C#. First, create a console application and add the MongoDB driver files.

Write the following namespace.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Driver;
```

To pass a database user, you can use the **MongoCredentials** object. Just put the username and password into this object.

```
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "mydb";

            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);

            MongoCredentials credential = new MongoCredentials("user1",
"123");
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName,
credential);
```

You can test the credentials by attempting to retrieve a list of database collections. Run the following code.

```
            Console.WriteLine(">>Listing database collection");
            foreach (string name in database.GetCollectionNames())
            {
                Console.WriteLine(name);
            }
```

You will get a list of database collections. If you don't pass the database user, you will get an error.

Document

We have already created documents in a collection using C#, so let's look at how to do it using the Mongo shell.

`insert()` can be used to insert a document into a collection. To demonstrate this, insert two new customers into a collection called **`customer`** in the **`mydb`** database we made earlier. First, activate your database with the following command.

```
use mydb
```

Next, insert the data.

```
db.customers.insert({name:"cust1",email:"cust1@company.com"})
db.customers.insert({name:"cust2",email:"cust2@company.com"})
```

After creating the documents, we can check the data using **`find()`**. If you run the following code, you will see the program output shown in Figure 53.

```
db.customers.find()
```

Figure 53: Showing data using find()

You can add many documents to a collection using the Mongo shell. For instance, you can use a looping **`for`** in the Mongo shell. The output of the following program is shown in Figure 54.

```
for(i=0;i<10;i++) {
    db.products.insert({name:"product"+i,code:"ABC"+i});
  }
```

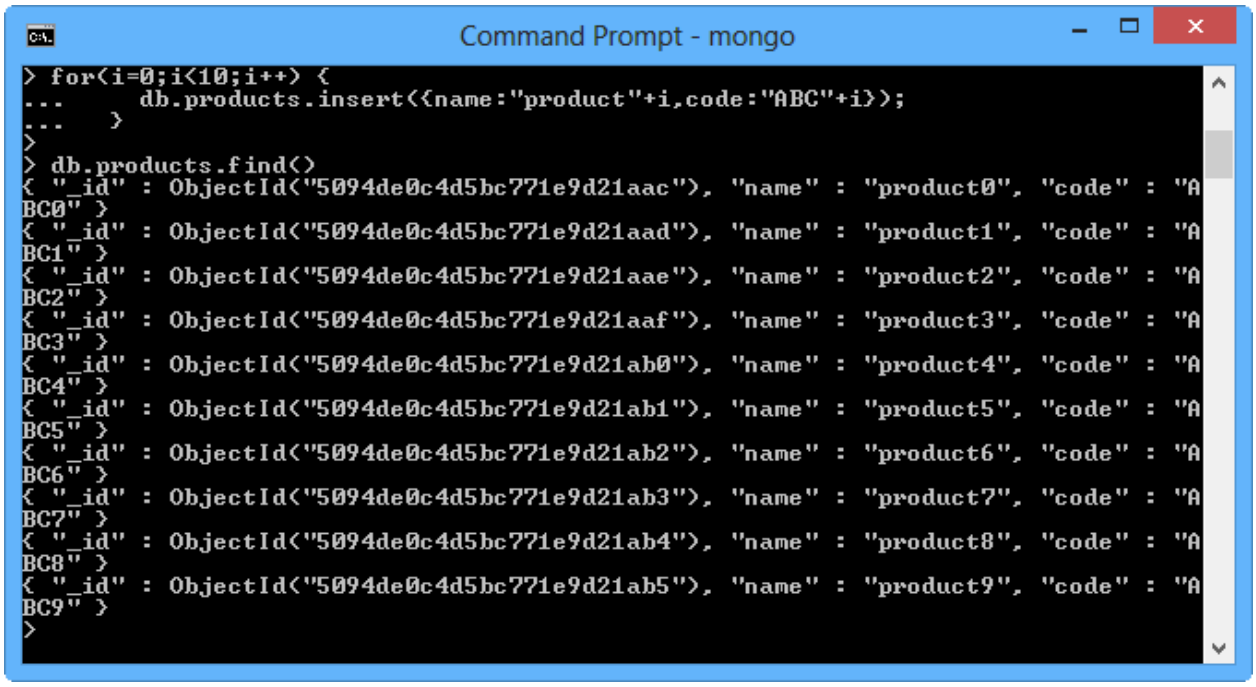


Figure 54: Adding many documents in a collection

If you want to know how many document items there are inside a collection, use **`count()`** from the collection object. For instance, if you want to know the number of customer items, use the following code example. You will get the result shown in Figure 55.

```
db.customers.count()
```

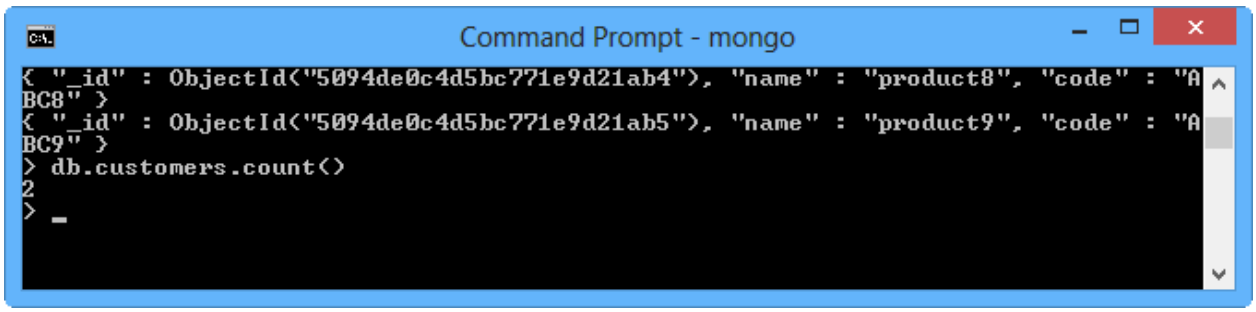


Figure 55: Getting the total number of document items

Editing a Document

If you want to modify an existing document item, you can use the **`update()`** method. You must specify which document item you want to modify. For instance, if you want to modify the name of a product item that has the code **`ABC7`**, use **`$set`** to set the new value to the **`name`** field. The following example does this.

```
use mydb
db.products.update({code:"ABC7"},{$set: {name:"product baru"}})
```

Deleting a Document

You can delete document items from a collection using **`remove()`**. For instance, if you want to delete all document items for the products collection, use the following.

```
use mydb
db.products.remove()
```

If you want to delete specific document items, pass a criteria in the **`remove()`** method. For instance, if you want to delete all document items with the name **`product2`**, use the following.

```
use mydb
db.products.remove({name:"product2"})
```

Comparison Operators

You normally use comparison operators such as >, <, <=, and >= in a SQL query. In the Mongo shell, the same comparison operators are available, but they use a different notation. The following table shows the Mongo shell equivalent of SQL comparison operators.

Mongo Shell Comparison Operator	SQL Equivalent
gt	>
lt	<
gte	>=
lte	<=

For example, if you want to filter product data by **`categoryid`** values greater than 5, you can do so in the Mongo shell by using the following code.

```
use mydb
db.products.find({ "categoryid" : { $gt: 5} } )
```

The sample query output is shown in Figure 56.

Figure 56: Conditional operator usage in the Mongo shell

Limiting and Sorting

Imagine that you perform a query and get an enormous amount of data. It will have an impact on performance, so you want to set a limit for the amount of data that can be retrieved at once. You can set one by calling the **`limit()`** method. For instance, if you want to limit your query to 10 documents, use the following code.

```
use mydb
db.customers.find({"country": "germany"}).limit(10)
```

If you want to sort the result data, you can use the **`sort()`** method. It is similar to the ORDER BY command in a SQL query. For instance, if you want to sort data by the **`country`** field, use the following.

```
use mydb
db.customers.find().sort({country:-1})
```

The value (-1) means the sort is organized by descending order. The values 0 or 1 can be used for ascending order.

AND and OR Operators

Sometimes you want to query with filtering criteria that uses OR and AND operators. You can use **`$or`** for an OR operator and **`$and`** for an AND operator.

For example, if you want to find products with the name “abc” that have a category field value of “1” or a deleted field value of “1”, you can use the following code.

```
use mydb
db.products.find( { name : "abc" , $or : [ { category : 1 } , { deleted : -1
} ] } )
```

Chapter 10 MongoDB and Windows Forms

In this chapter, you will learn how to use the MongoDB database in a Windows Forms application.

Creating a Project

Create a new project in Visual Studio 2012. Choose **Windows Forms Application** as shown in Figure 57.

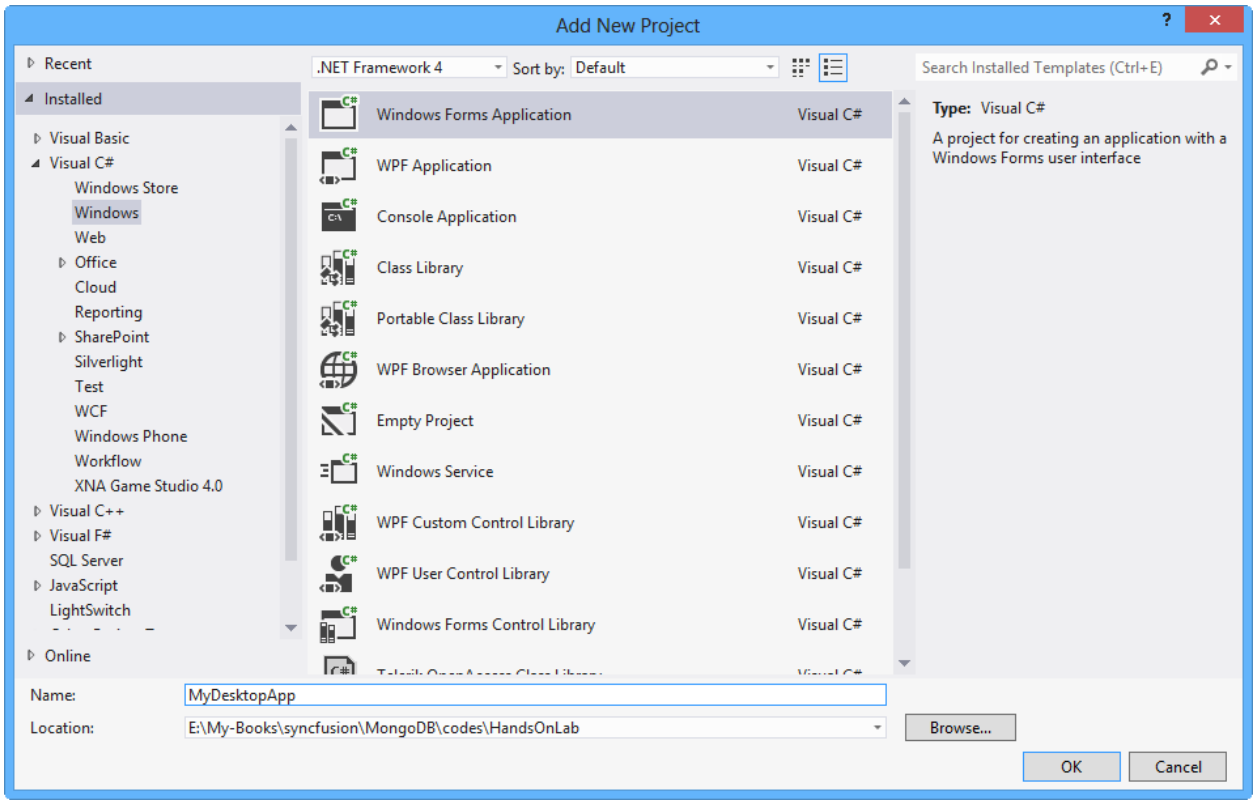


Figure 57: Creating a Windows Forms Application project in Visual Studio 2012

Provide a project name and location. Click **OK**. You will get a form as shown in Figure 58.

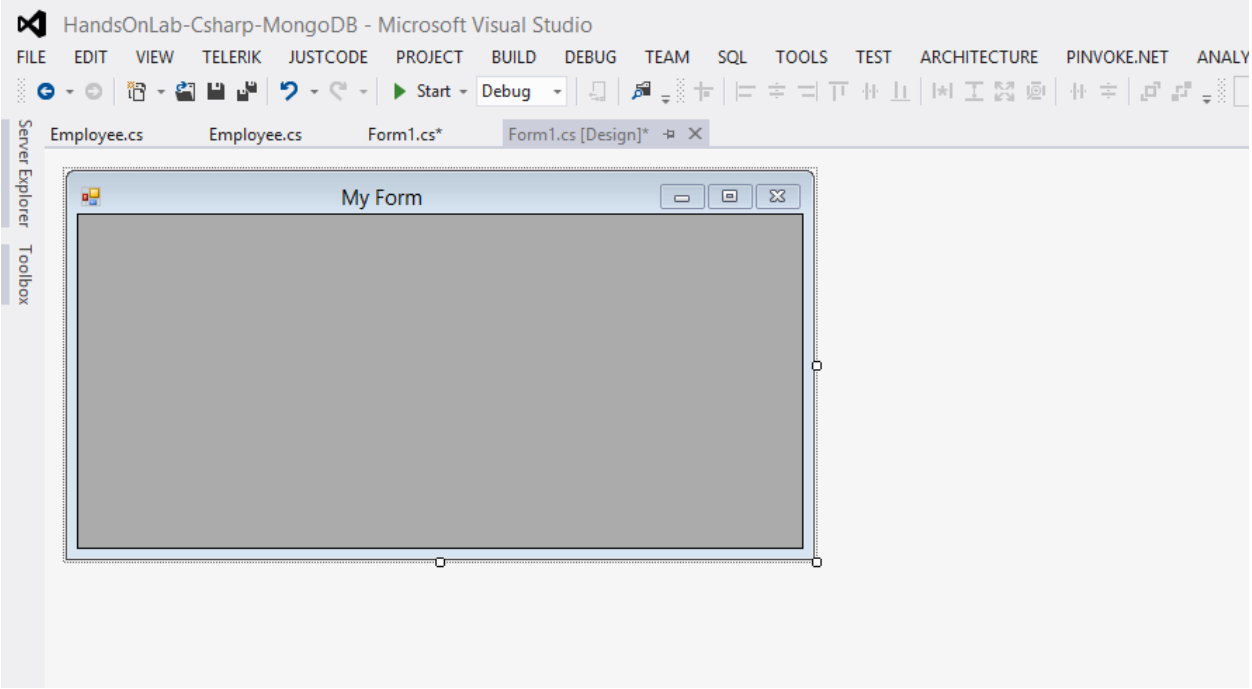


Figure 58: A form in Visual Studio 2012

Adding the MongoDB Driver

The first thing to do is to add the MongoDB driver files. Right-click on the **References** folder in your project. Select **Add reference** from the context menu to open the **Reference Manager** as shown in Figure 59.

Add MongoDB drive files by clicking **Browse**. There are two files you should add to your project: **MongoDB.Bson.dll** and **MongoDB.Driver.dll**. Click **OK**.

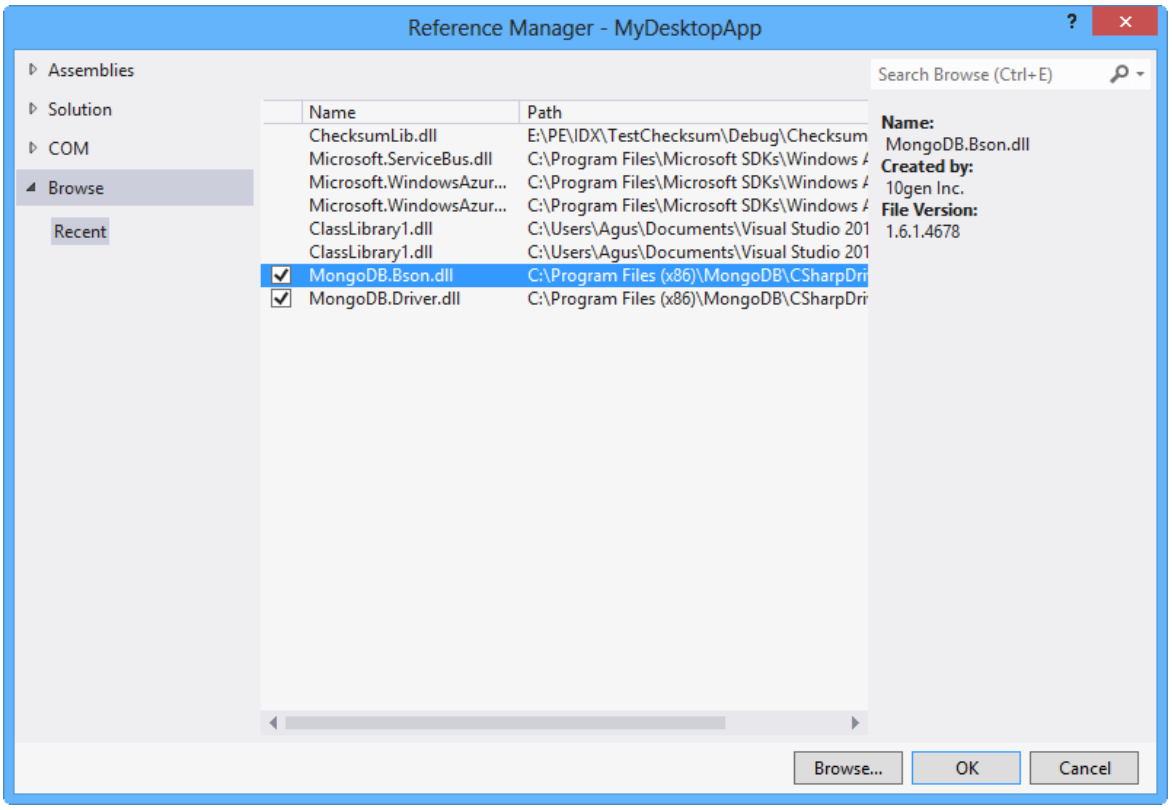


Figure 59: Adding MongoDB driver files

Design Form

To modify your form, select a **DataGridView** from the **Toolbox** and put it on the form. Set its dock value to **Fill** to produce the form shown in Figure 60.

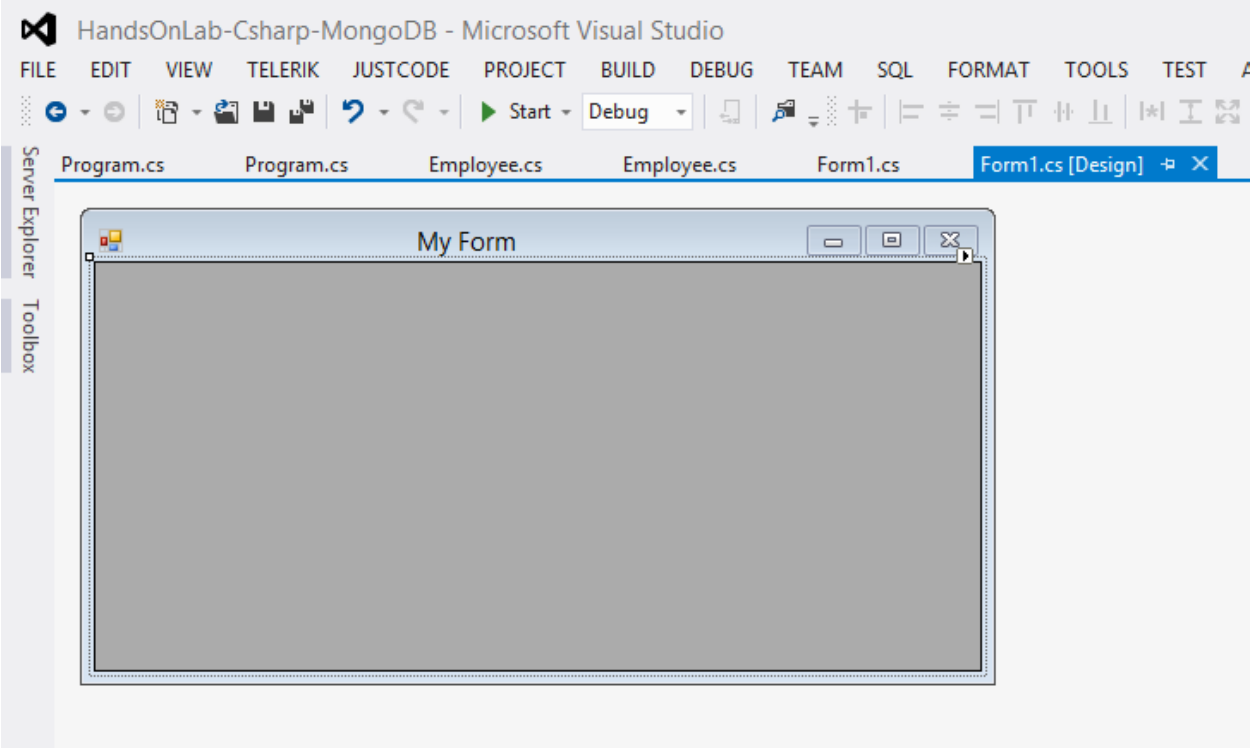


Figure 60: Adding DataGridView to a form

Writing Code

In Visual Studio 2012, open the **Form1.cs** file. You will see the following code.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;


namespace MyDesktopApp
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

Write the following namespaces for the MongoDB driver.

```
using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Linq;
```

You need an entity object called **Employee**. Add a class and save it as **Employee.cs**. This object is defined as follows.

```
using System;
using MongoDB.Bson.Serialization.Attributes;
using MongoDB.Bson;

namespace MyDesktopApp
{
    class Employee
    {
        [BsonElementAttribute("_id")]
        public ObjectId Id { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("name")]
        public string Name { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("email")]
        public string Email { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("level")]
        public string Level { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("createddate")]
        public DateTime CreateDate { set; get; }

        public override string ToString()
        {
            string str = string.Format("Id: {0}\r\nName: {1}\r\nEmail:
{2}\r\nLevel: {3}\r\nCreatedDate: {4}\r\n\r\n",
                        Id, Name, Email, Level, CreateDate);
            return str;
        }
    }
}
```

Next, you need to modify the form. Click inside the form and open the form events under **Properties**. Use the arrow keys to highlight **Load** as shown in Figure 62, and press Enter.

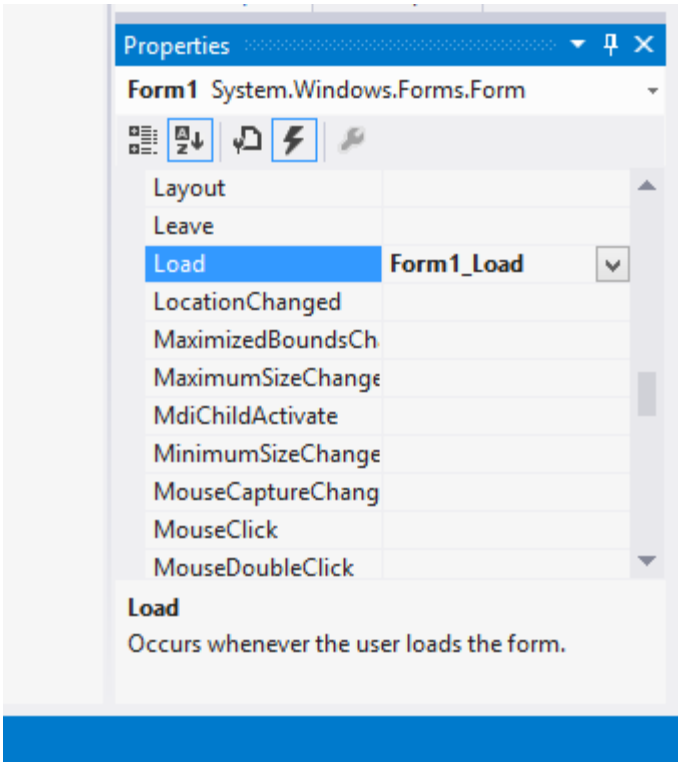


Figure 61: Adding the Load event

A code editor will open containing the following code.

```
public partial class Form1 : Form
{
    public Form1()
    {
        InitializeComponent();
    }

    private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
    {

    }
}
```

Next, we have to add code inside the **`Form1_Load()`** method. Use the following code example to retrieve data from MongoDB.

```
        private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

            var employees = database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
            var data = from a in employees.AsQueryable<Employee>() select a;
            dataGridView1.DataSource = data.ToArray<Employee>();
        }
```

dataGridView1 is the **DataGridView** component that will show the data in tabular form.

Compile and run this project. If successful, you will see the following.

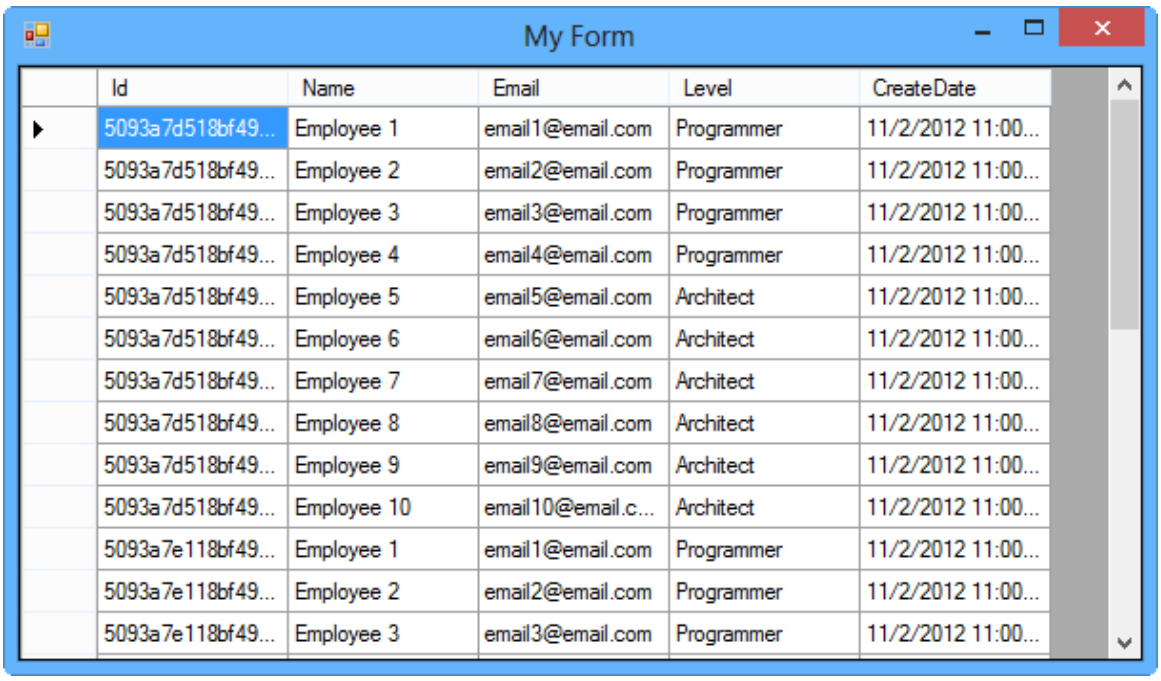


Figure 62: Showing data on grid

Chapter 11 MongoDB and ASP.NET

In this chapter, you will learn how to use MongoDB in an ASP.NET Web Forms application.

Creating a Project

Create a new project in Visual Studio 2012. Select **ASP.NET Web Forms Application** as shown in Figure 63.

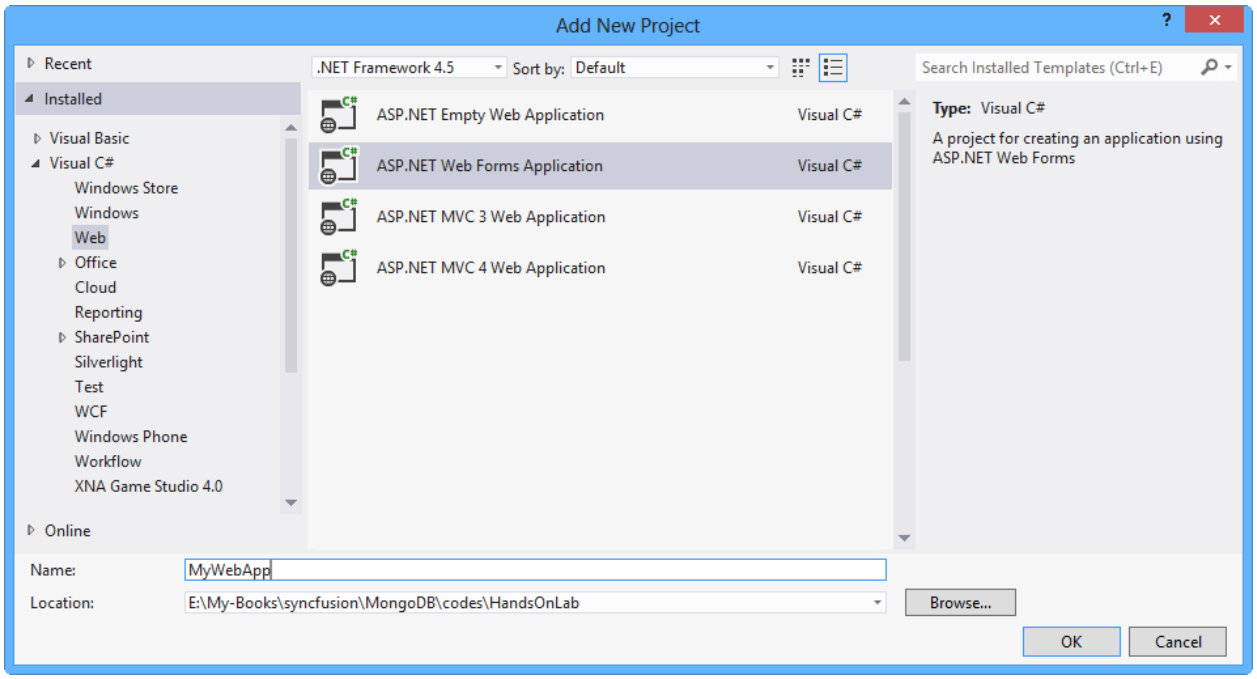


Figure 63: Creating a new ASP.NET Web Form Application

Provide a project name and location, and then click **OK**. An ASP.NET application project will be created.

Adding the MongoDB Driver

To access MongoDB, you must add the MongoDB driver files to your project. You can do this by right-clicking **References** in the Solution Explorer and selecting **Add References** as shown in Figure 64. Add the **MongoDB.Bson.dll** and **MongoDB.Driver.dll** files.

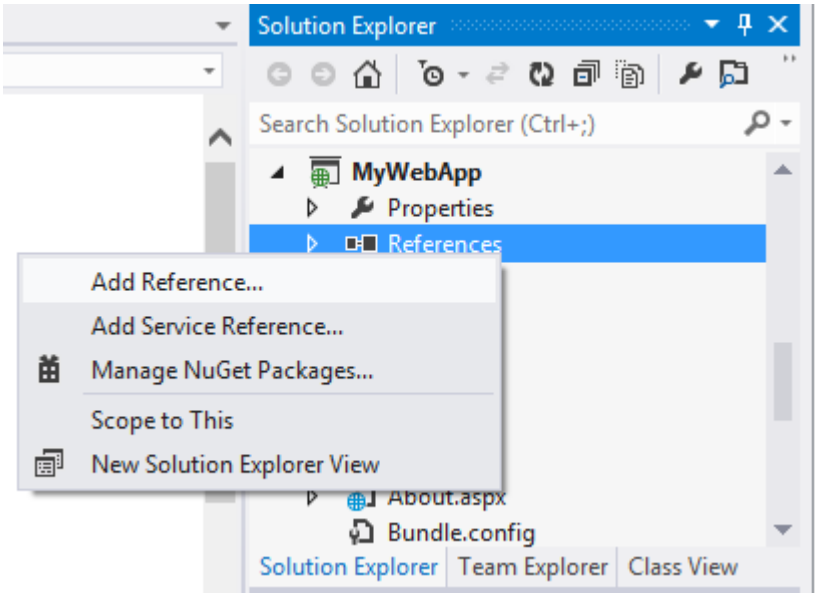


Figure 64: Adding references

Design Form

Add a new web form for displaying data from MongoDB by right-clicking on the project, selecting **Add**, and then choosing **New Item**. You will see the **Add New Item** window shown in Figure 65.

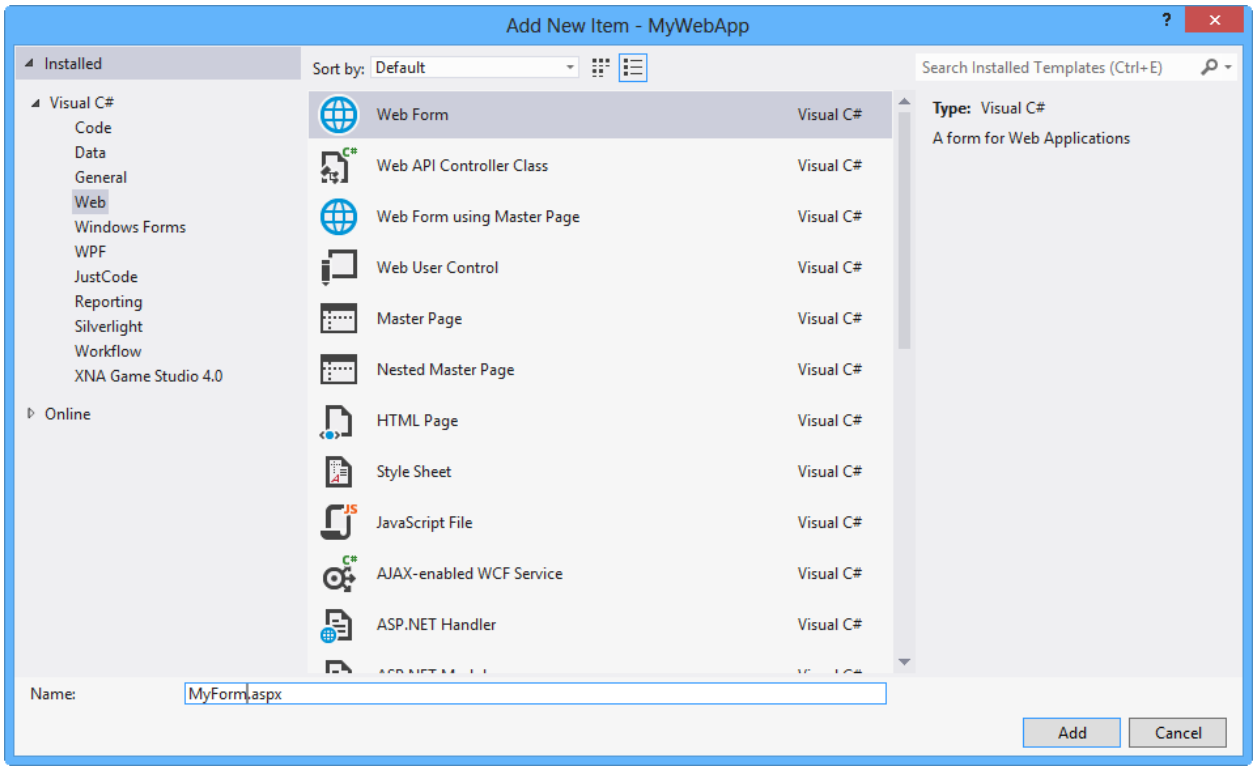


Figure 65: Adding a new web form

Select **Web Form** and give it the name **MyForm.aspx**. When finished, click **Add**.

After creating the web form, open the file. Drag a **GridView** from the **Toolbox** and put it inside the **<form>** tag. The following code example shows a GridView added to the form.

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" CodeBehind="MyForm.aspx.cs"
Inherits="MyWebApp.MyForm" %>

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head runat="server">
    <title></title>
</head>
<body>
    <form id="form1" runat="server">
    <div>
        <asp:gridview runat="server" ID="gridview"></asp:gridview>
    </div>
    </form>
</body>
</html>
```

Writing Code

Right-click on the web form and select **View Code** from the context menu. This will open the code editor where you will see the following code example.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Web;
using System.Web.UI;
using System.Web.UI.WebControls;

namespace MyWebApp
{
    public partial class MyForm : System.Web.UI.Page
    {
        protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {

        }
    }
}
```

Add the following namespaces for the MongoDB driver.

```
Using MongoDB.Driver;
using MongoDB.Bson;
using MongoDB.Driver.Linq;
```

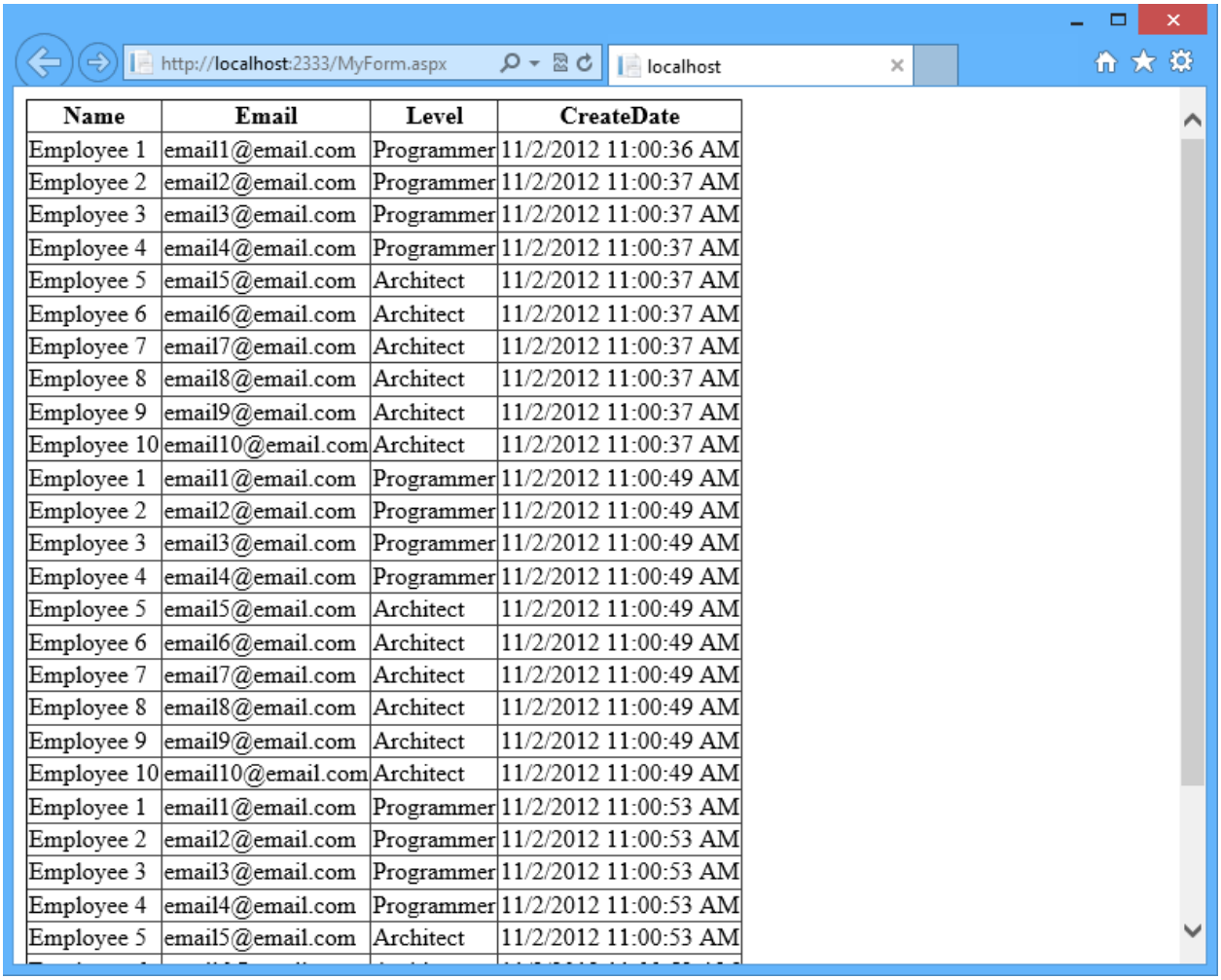
Next, write the following code inside the **Page_Load()** method.

```
        protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            if (!IsPostBack)
            {
              string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
              string databaseName = "csharp";

              // Get database.
              Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
              MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
              MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

              var employees = database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
              var data = from a in employees.AsQueryable<Employee>() select a;
                gridview.DataSource = data.ToArray<Employee>();
                gridview.DataBind();
            }
        }
```

Now you can compile and run the page. The sample output is shown in Figure 66.



Name	Email	Level	CreateDate
Employee 1	email1@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:36 AM
Employee 2	email2@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 3	email3@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 4	email4@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 5	email5@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 6	email6@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 7	email7@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 8	email8@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 9	email9@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 10	email10@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:37 AM
Employee 1	email1@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 2	email2@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 3	email3@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 4	email4@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 5	email5@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 6	email6@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 7	email7@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 8	email8@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 9	email9@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 10	email10@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:49 AM
Employee 1	email1@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:53 AM
Employee 2	email2@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:53 AM
Employee 3	email3@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:53 AM
Employee 4	email4@email.com	Programmer	11/2/2012 11:00:53 AM
Employee 5	email5@email.com	Architect	11/2/2012 11:00:53 AM

Figure 66: Displaying MongoDB data in a web form application

Chapter 12 MongoDB and ASP.NET MVC

In this chapter, you will learn how to use MongoDB in an ASP.NET MVC application.

Creating a Project

First, create a new project in Visual Studio 2012 and choose **ASP.NET MVC 4 Web Application** as shown in Figure 67.

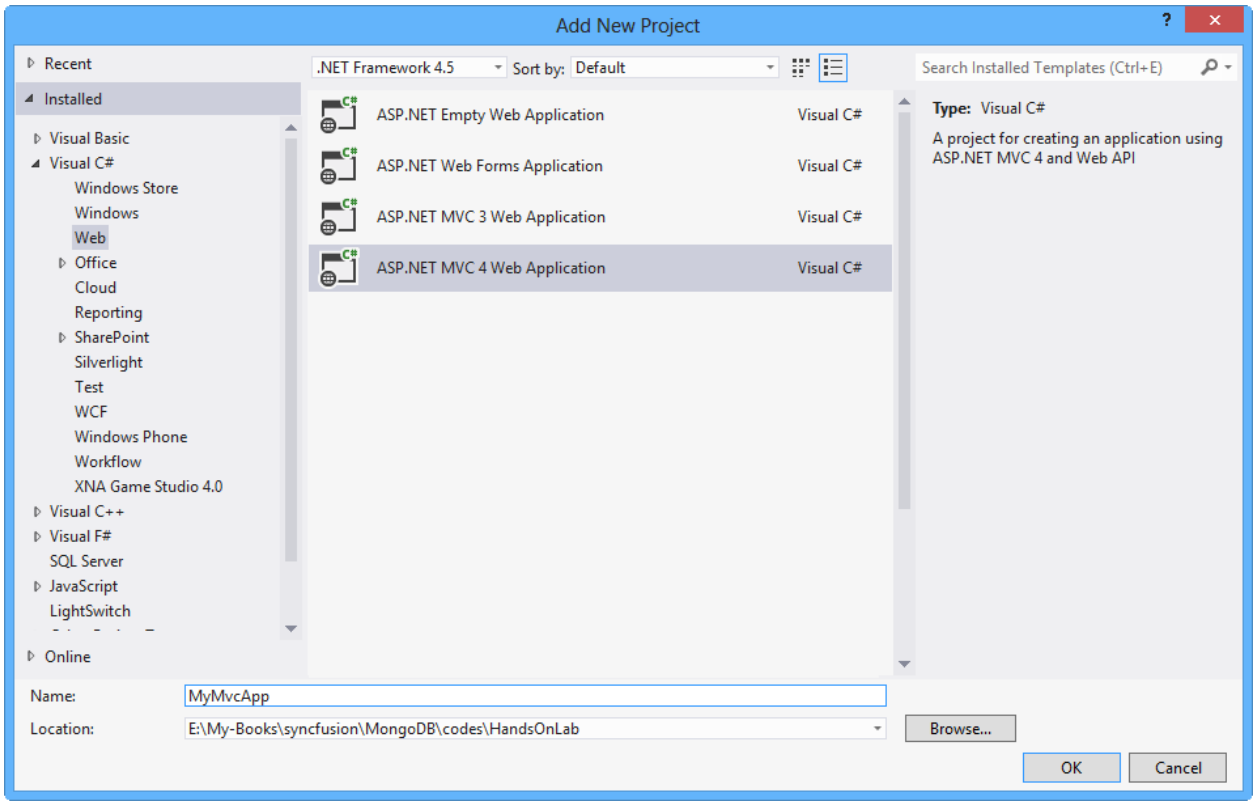


Figure 67: Creating an ASP.NET MVC project

Provide a project name and location, and then click **OK**.

You will then see the New ASP.NET MVC 4 Project window as shown in Figure 68. Select **Internet Application**, and select **Razor** as the **View engine**. Click **OK** when you are done.

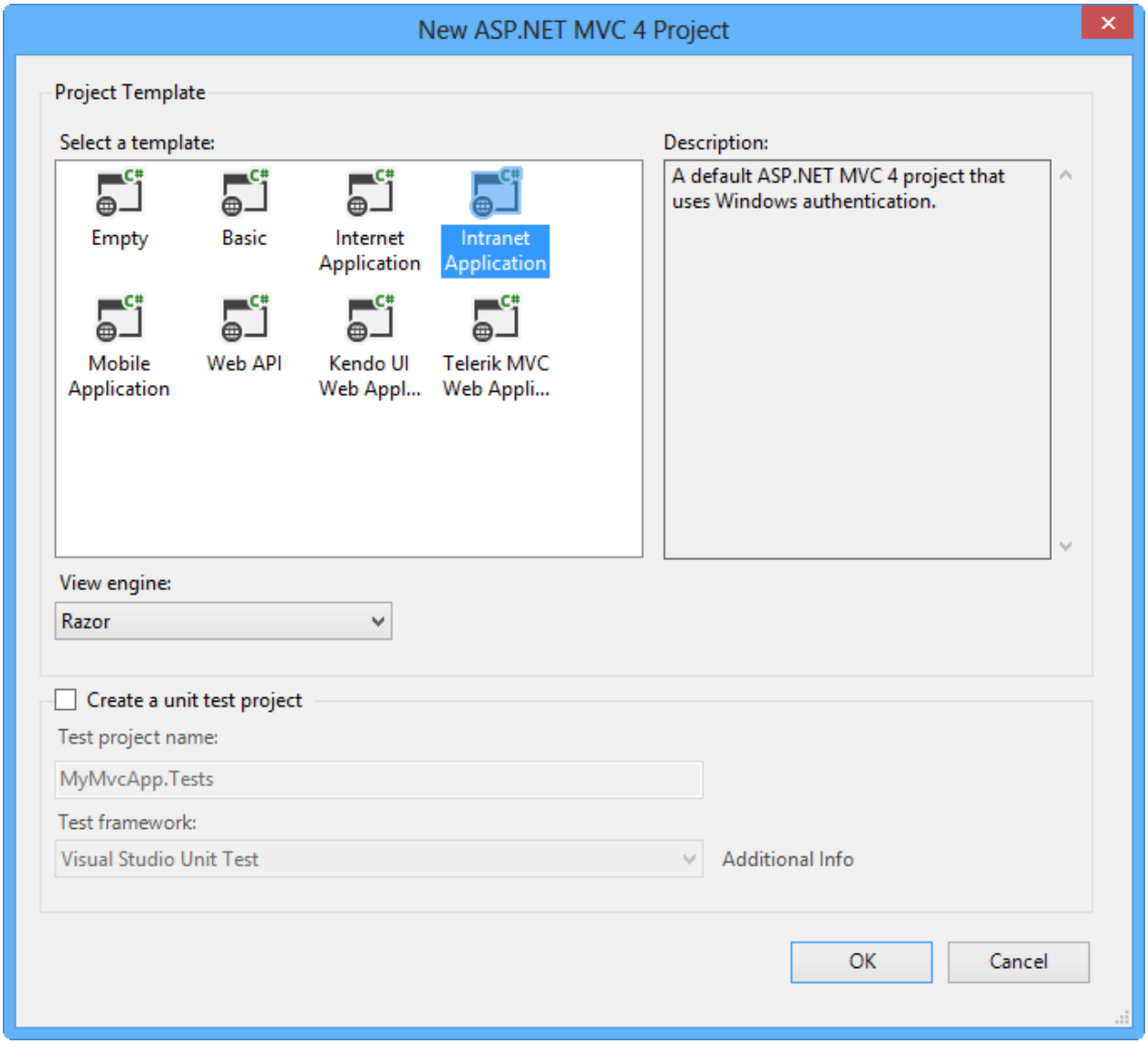


Figure 68: Choosing an ASP.NET MVC project template

Adding the MongoDB Driver

Add the MongoDB driver files to your project to access MongoDB by right-clicking **References** and selecting **Add Reference** as shown in Figure 69. The Reference Manager will open. Add the **MongoDB.Bson.dll** and **MongoDB.Driver.dll** files for the MongoDB driver.

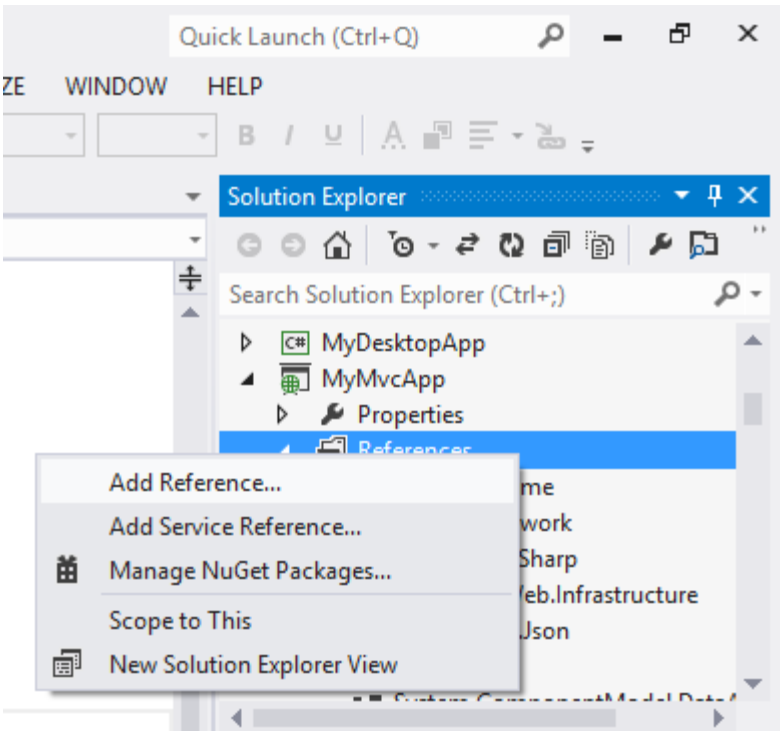


Figure 69: Adding References

Adding a Model

Create a model called **Employee**. This model will be the entity object of the MongoDB document.

Right-click the **Models** folder, select **Add**, and then choose **New Item** as shown in Figure 70.

A dialog will appear. Select **Class** and enter the file name **Employee.cs**. The following code is an example of the Employee.cs file.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Web;

namespace MyMvcApp.Models
{
    public class Employee
    {
    }
}
```

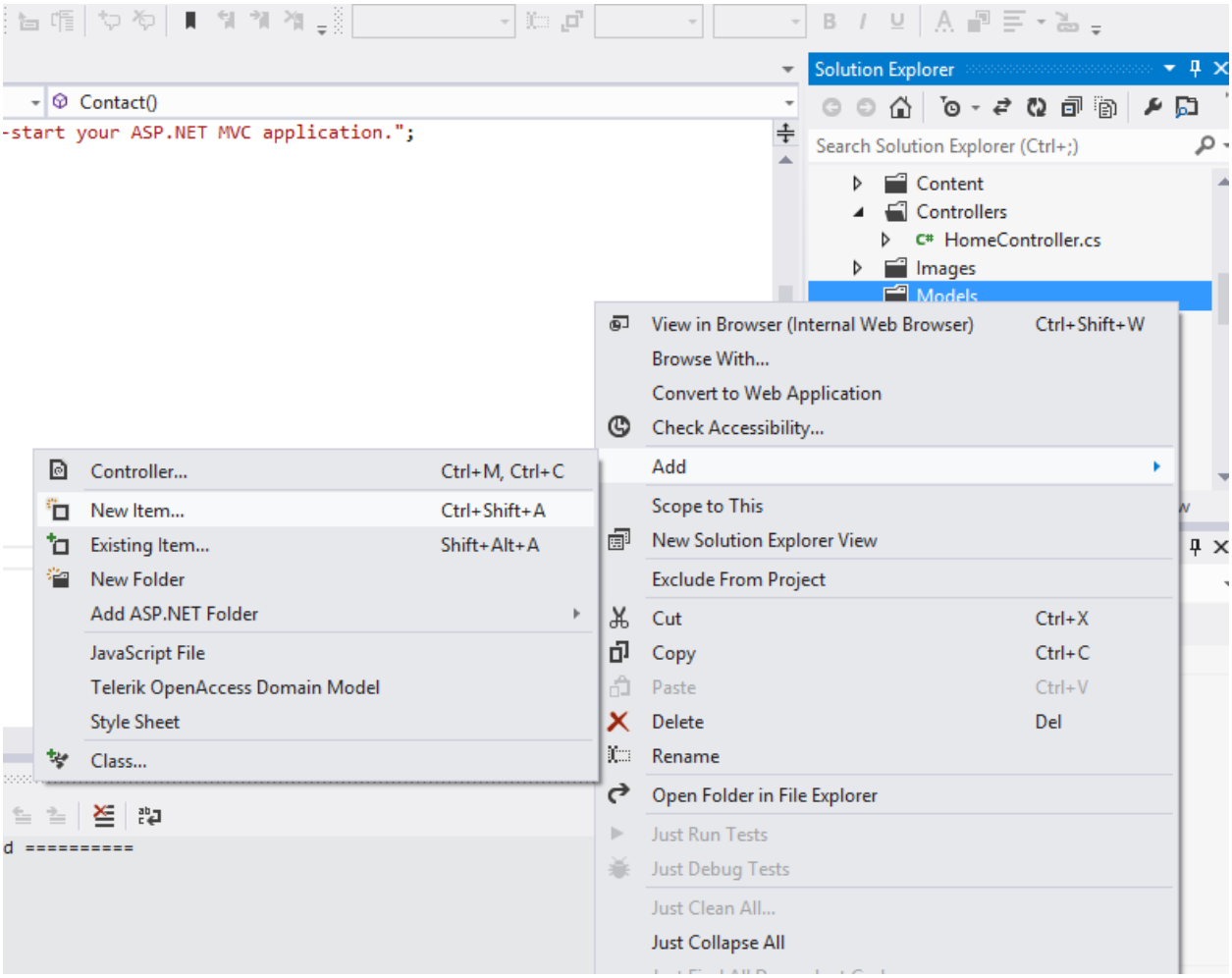


Figure 70: Adding a new item for a new model

First, add the following namespaces for the MongoDB driver.

```
using MongoDB.Bson.Serialization.Attributes;
using MongoDB.Bson;
```

To implement the **`Employee`** model, write the following code.

```
    class Employee
    {
        [BsonElementAttribute("_id")]
        public ObjectId Id { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("name")]
        public string Name { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("email")]
        public string Email { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("level")]
        public string Level { set; get; }
        [BsonElementAttribute("createddate")]
```

```
        public DateTime CreateDate { set; get; }

        public override string ToString()
        {
            string str = string.Format("Id: {0}\r\nName: {1}\r\nEmail:
{2}\r\nLevel: {3}\r\nCreatedDate: {4}\r\n\r\n",
                        Id, Name, Email, Level, CreateDate);
            return str;
        }
    }
```

The **Employee** model will be mapped to the document object of MongoDB.

Adding a View

Your ASP.NET MVC project has a Views folder that consists of view objects. Open it, and then right-click the **Home** folder inside. You will get a context menu as shown in Figure 71. Choose **Add** from the menu, and then select **View**.

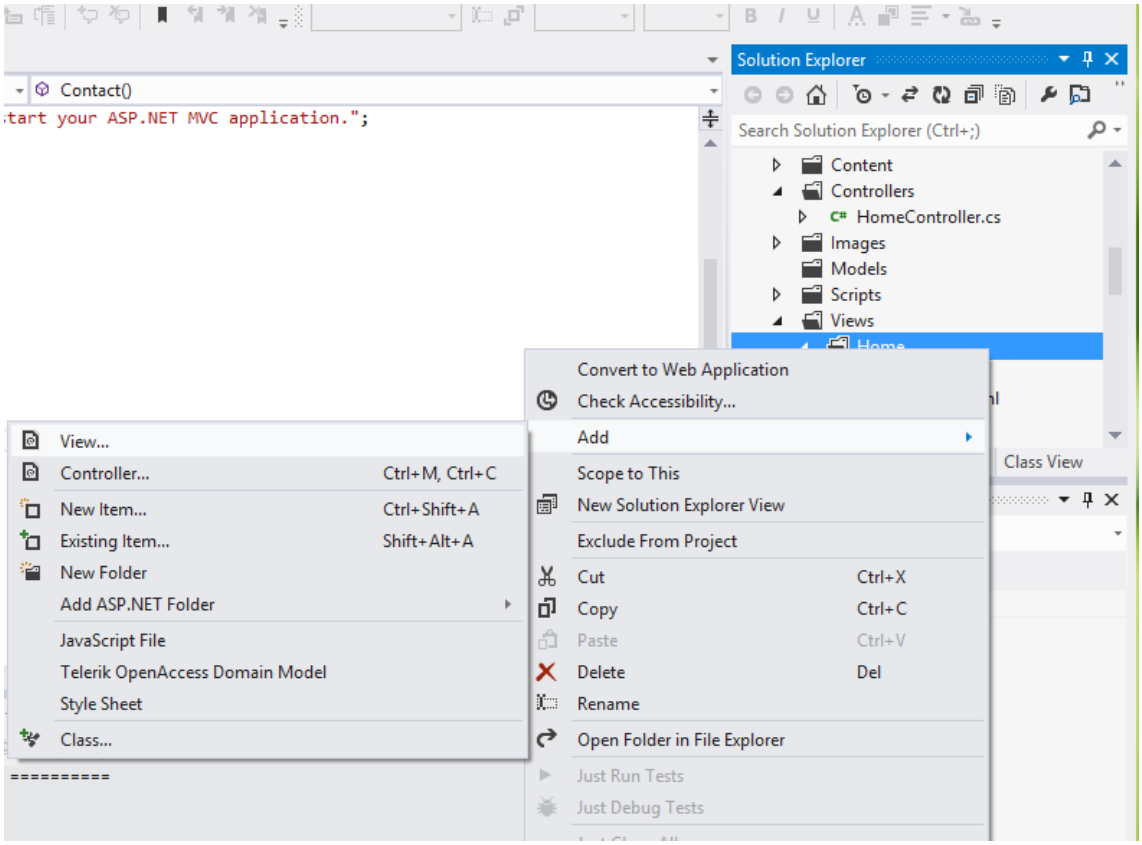


Figure 71: Adding new View

The Add View window will open, as shown in Figure 72. Name the view **MyView**. For the **View engine**, choose **Razor**. Click **Add** when you are finished.

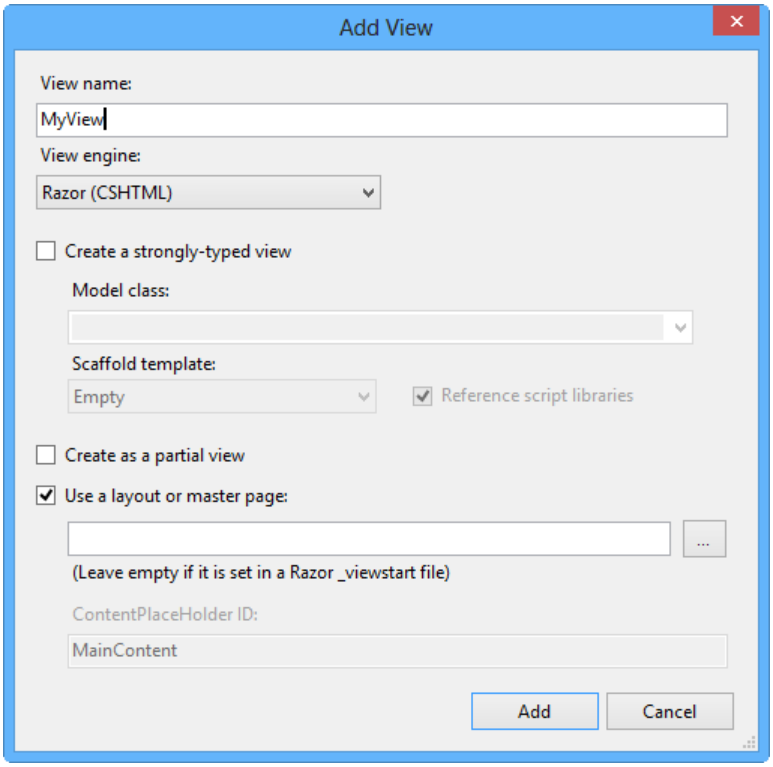


Figure 72: Add View Window

Next, we will modify the **MyView.cshtml** file. Add the model to the View form.

```
@model MyMvcApp.Models.Employee[]
```

The following code example adds a table to the View HTML.

```
@model MyMvcApp.Models.Employee[]
@{
    ViewBag.Title = "MyView";
}

<h2>List of Employee</h2>
<br />
<table>
   <tr>
       <td>Name</td>
   </tr>
    @for (int i = 0; i < Model.Count(); i++)
    {
        <tr>
            <td>@Model[i].Id</td>
            <td>@Model[i].Name</td>
            <td>@Model[i].Email</td>
            <td>@Model[i].Level</td>
            <td>@Model[i].CreateDate</td>
        </tr>
    }
</table>
```

Modifying the Controller

Now that a model and a view has been added to the application, we need to map the view and controller, and push the model to the view.

Because the view form has been added under the Views and Home folders, the view is mapped to a Home controller.

Open the Home controller file, **`HomeController.cs`**. Add a new method for handling view requests as illustrated in the following example.

```
        public ActionResult MyView()
        {
            string connectionString = "mongodb://localhost";
            string databaseName = "csharp";

            // Get database.
            Console.WriteLine(">>Get database");
            MongoServer server = MongoServer.Create(connectionString);
            MongoDatabase database = server.GetDatabase(databaseName);

            var employees = database.GetCollection<Employee>("employee");
            var data = from a in employees.AsQueryable<Employee>() select a;

            return View(data.ToArray<Employee>());
        }
```

Save all the files, and then compile and run the application. Navigate to the URL that your view created, for instance, http://localhost:4310/home/myview.

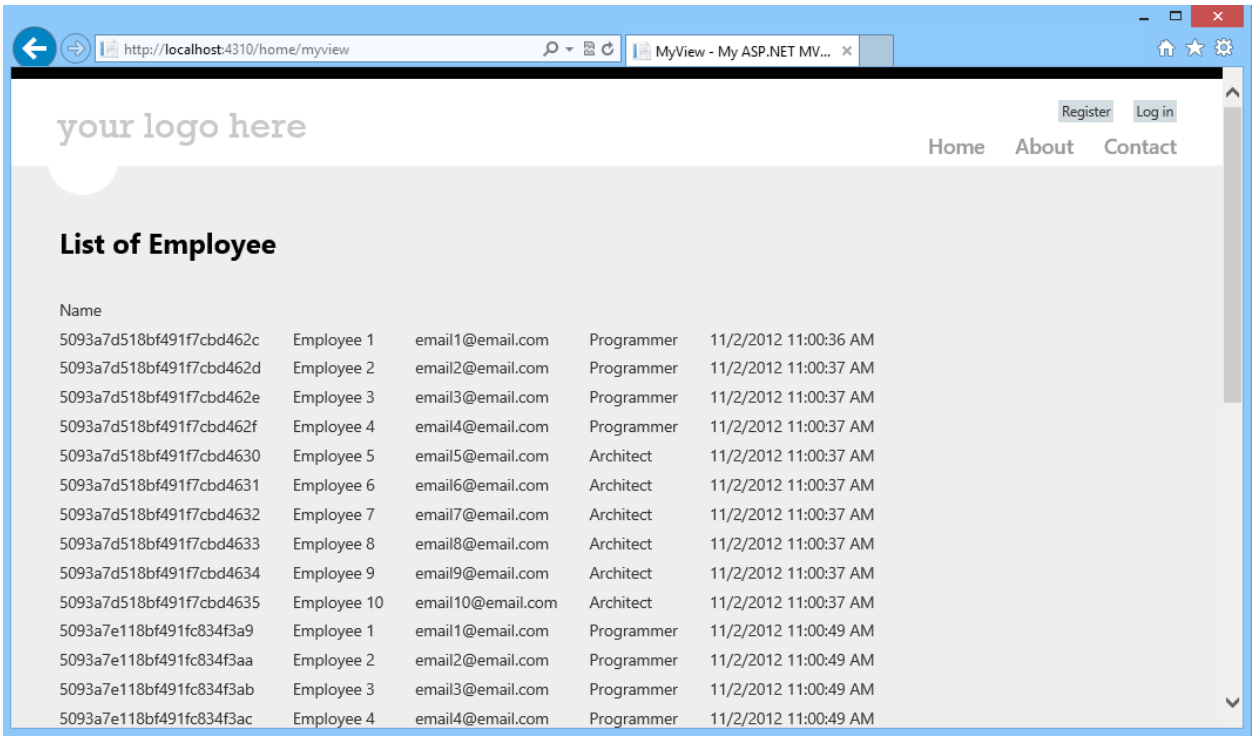


Figure 73: Executing an ASP.NET MVC application with MongoDB data

Chapter 13 Export and Import Database

In this chapter, you will learn how to export and import a MongoDB database.

Exporting Data

You may want to export the MongoDB database for external use. MongoDB provides an export mechanism called **mongoexport** in the Mongo shell. The output can be defined as JSON, TSV, or CSV.

The following is an example of the **mongoexport** parameters.

```
options:
  --help                  produce help message
  -v [ --verbose ]        be more verbose (include multiple times for more
                          verbosity e.g. -vvvvv)
  -h [ --host ] arg       mongo host to connect to ("left,right" for pairs)
  -d [ --db ] arg         database to use
  -c [ --collection ] arg where 'arg' is the collection to use
  -u [ --username ] arg   username
  -p [ --password ] arg   password
  --dbpath arg            directly access mongod data files in the given path,
                          instead of connecting to a mongod instance - needs to
                          lock the data directory, so cannot be used if a
                          mongod is currently accessing the same path
  --directoryperdb        if dbpath specified, each db is in a separate
                          directory
  -q [ --query ] arg      query filter, as a JSON string
  -f [ --fields ] arg     comma separated list of field names e.g. -f name,age
  --csv                   export to CSV instead of JSON, requires -f
  -o [ --out ] arg        output file; if not specified, stdout is used
```

To execute **mongoexport**, navigate to the folder where MongoDB is installed (e.g., c:\mongo\bin) in the Command Prompt window.

Let's export the collection **customers** from the database **mydb** as a CSV file with the **name** and **email** fields. The following code example performs this export.

```
mongoexport -d mydb -c customers -f name,email --csv -o c:\temp\cust.csv
```

You can see the sample output in Figure 74.

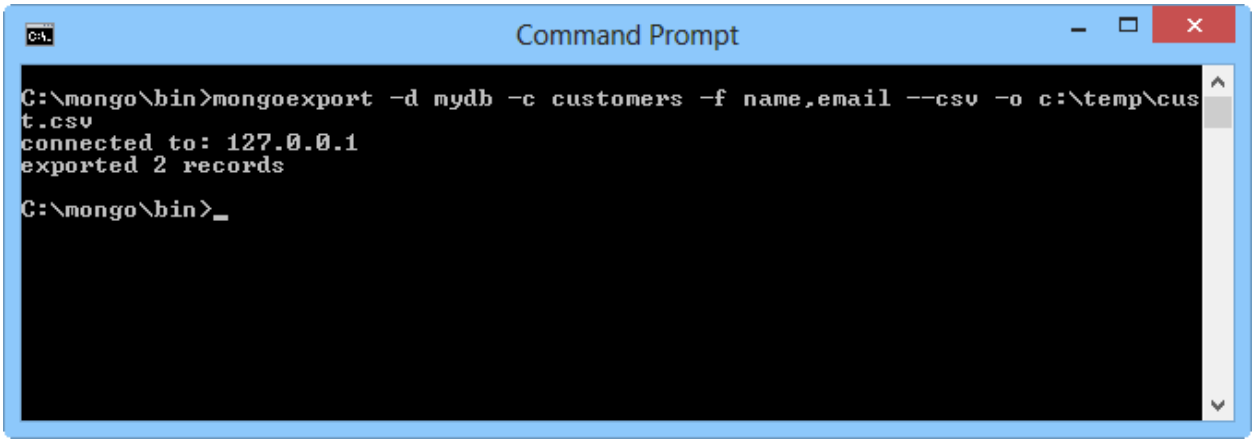


Figure 74: Exporting data

Figure 75 shows the resulting CSV file opened in Excel.

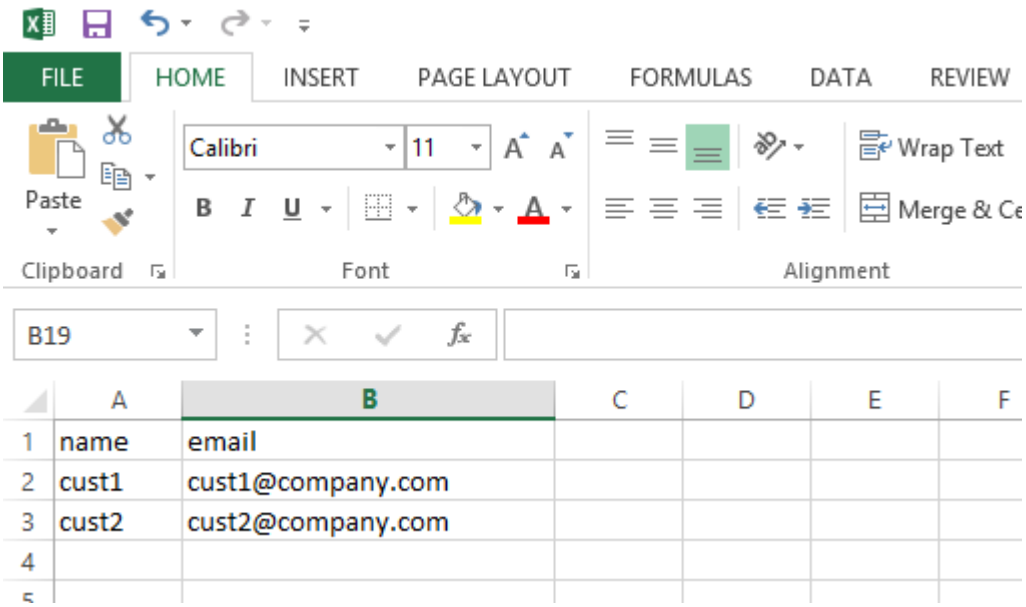


Figure 75: Sample export result

If your database applies access restrictions, you can pass a username and password. You can add **-u** for username and **-p** for password, as shown in the following code example.

```
mongoexport -d mydb -u user -p password -c customers -f name,email --csv -o
c:\temp\cust.csv
```

If you want to export data from a remote MongoDB server, you can define the server name explicitly. Use **-h** to define a server name.

```
mongoexport –h dbserver01 -d mydb –u user –p password -c customers -f
name,email --csv -o c:\temp\cust.csv
```

Importing Data

You can also import data to a MongoDB database. MongoDB provides mongoimport.exe for importing data. If you type **mongoimport**, you can view information about its parameters, as shown in Figure 76.

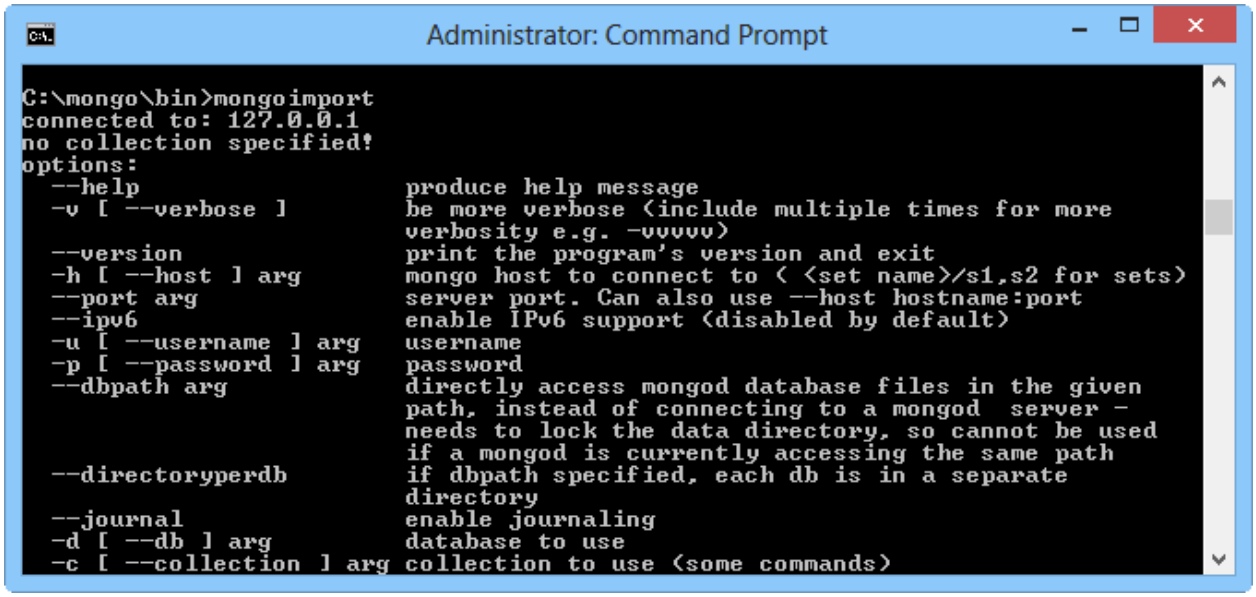


Figure 76: Information about mongoimport

The following is a summary of **mongoimport** parameters.

```
options:
  --help                  produce help message
  -v [ --verbose ]        be more verbose (include multiple times for more
                          verbosity e.g. -vvvvv)
  -h [ --host ] arg       mongo host to connect to ("left,right" for pairs)
  --port arg              server port (can also use --host hostname:port)
  --ipv6                  enable IPv6 support (disabled by default)
  -d [ --db ] arg         database to use
  -c [ --collection ] arg collection to use (some commands)
  -u [ --username ] arg   username
  -p [ --password ] arg   password
  --dbpath arg            directly access mongod data files in the given path,
                         instead of connecting to a mongod instance - needs to
                         lock the data directory, so this cannot be used if a
                         mongod is currently accessing the same path
  --directoryperdb        if dbpath specified, each db is in a separate
```

```
                          directory
  -f [ --fields ] arg     comma separated list of field names
                          e.g. -f name,age
  --fieldFile arg         file with fields names - 1 per line
  --ignoreBlanks          if given, empty fields in csv and tsv
                          will be ignored
  --type arg              type of file to import (json, csv, tsv).
                          default: json
  --file arg              file to import from; if not specified stdin is used
  --drop                  drop collection first
  --headerline            CSV,TSV only - use first line as headers
  --upsert                insert or update objects that already exist
  --upsertFields arg      comma-separated fields for the query part of the
                          upsert. You should make sure this is indexed.
  --stopOnError           stop importing at the first error rather
                          than continuing
  --jsonArray             load a json array, not one item per line.
                          Currently limited to 4MB.
```

For example, import the data file **c:\temp\cust.csv** into the MongoDB database **mydb**. The data can be inserted into the **`customers`** collection with the following code example.

```
mongoimport -d mydb -c customers -f name,email --csv -o c:\temp\cust.csv
```

Running the sample will produce the output shown in Figure 77.

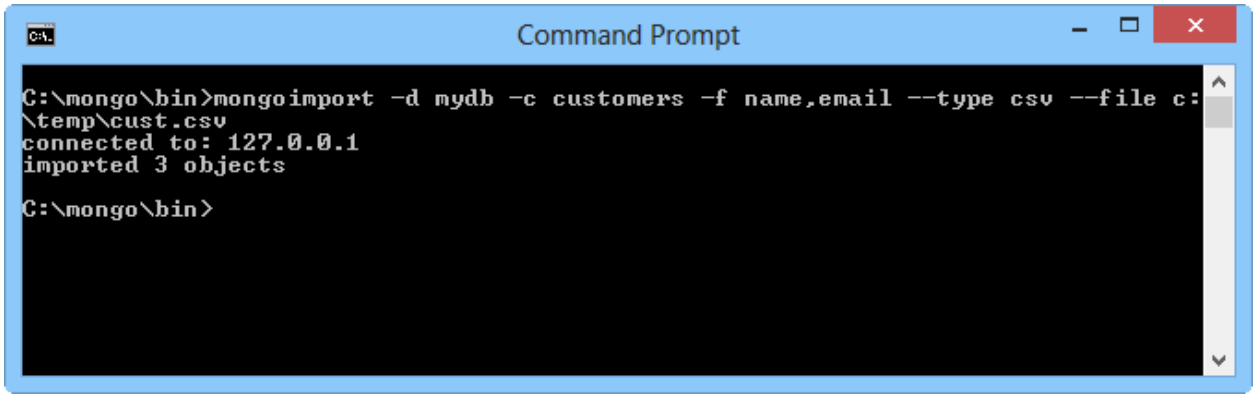


Figure 77: Importing data

Chapter 14 Back up and Restore

In this chapter, you will learn how to back up and restore a database in MongoDB.

Back up

MongoDB provides a tool called **mongodump.exe** to back up your MongoDB database. If you run **mongodump** for help, you get a list of **mongodump** parameters.

The following is a list of **mongodump** parameters you can use.

```
options:
  --help                  produce help message
  -v [ --verbose ]        be more verbose (include multiple times for more
                          verbosity e.g. -vvvvv)
  -h [ --host ] arg       mongo host to connect to ("left,right" for pairs)
  -d [ --db ] arg         database to use
  -c [ --collection ] arg collection to use (some commands)
  -u [ --username ] arg   username
  -p [ --password ] arg   password
  --dbpath arg            directly access mongod data files in the
                          given path, instead of connecting to a mongod
                          instance – needs to lock the data directory, so
                          cannot be used if a mongod is currently accessing
                          the same path
  --directoryperdb        if dbpath specified, each db is in a separate
                          directory
  -o [ --out ] arg (=dump) output directory
  -q [ --query ] arg      json query
  --oplog                 point in time backup (requires an oplog)
  --repair                repairs documents as it dumps from a corrupt db
                          (requires --dbpath and -d/--db)
  --forceTableScan        force a table scan (do not use $snapshot)
```

For example, if you wanted to back up the database **mydb** into the folder c:\temp\local, you would use the following code example.

```
mongodump.exe –-db mydb –o c:\Temp\local
```

The sample output is shown in Figure 78. If you open the folder where you placed the backup, you will see a list of BSON files as shown in Figure 79.

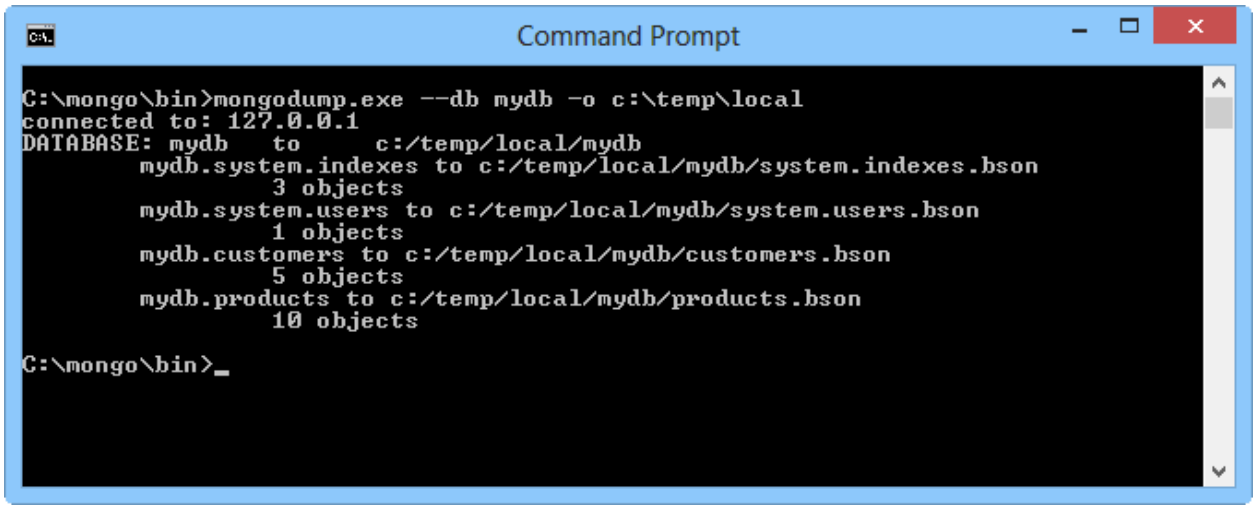


Figure 78: Backing up the mydb database

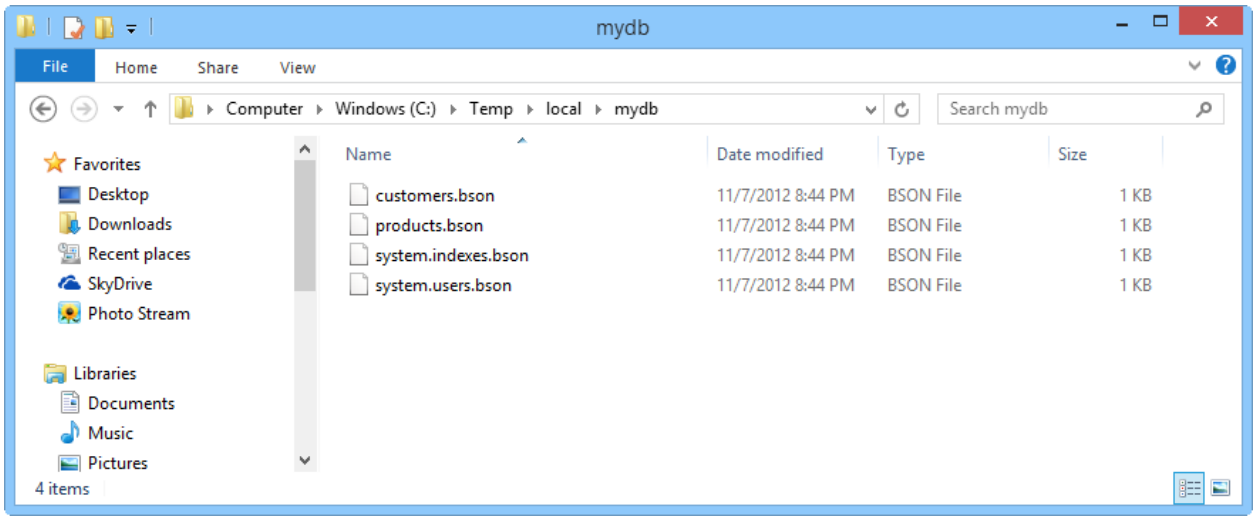


Figure 79: Backup files

You can also back up all databases. For instance, you can back up data in the folder c:\temp\backup using the following code example.

```
mongodump.exe -o c:\Temp\backup
```

The console output is shown in Figure 80.

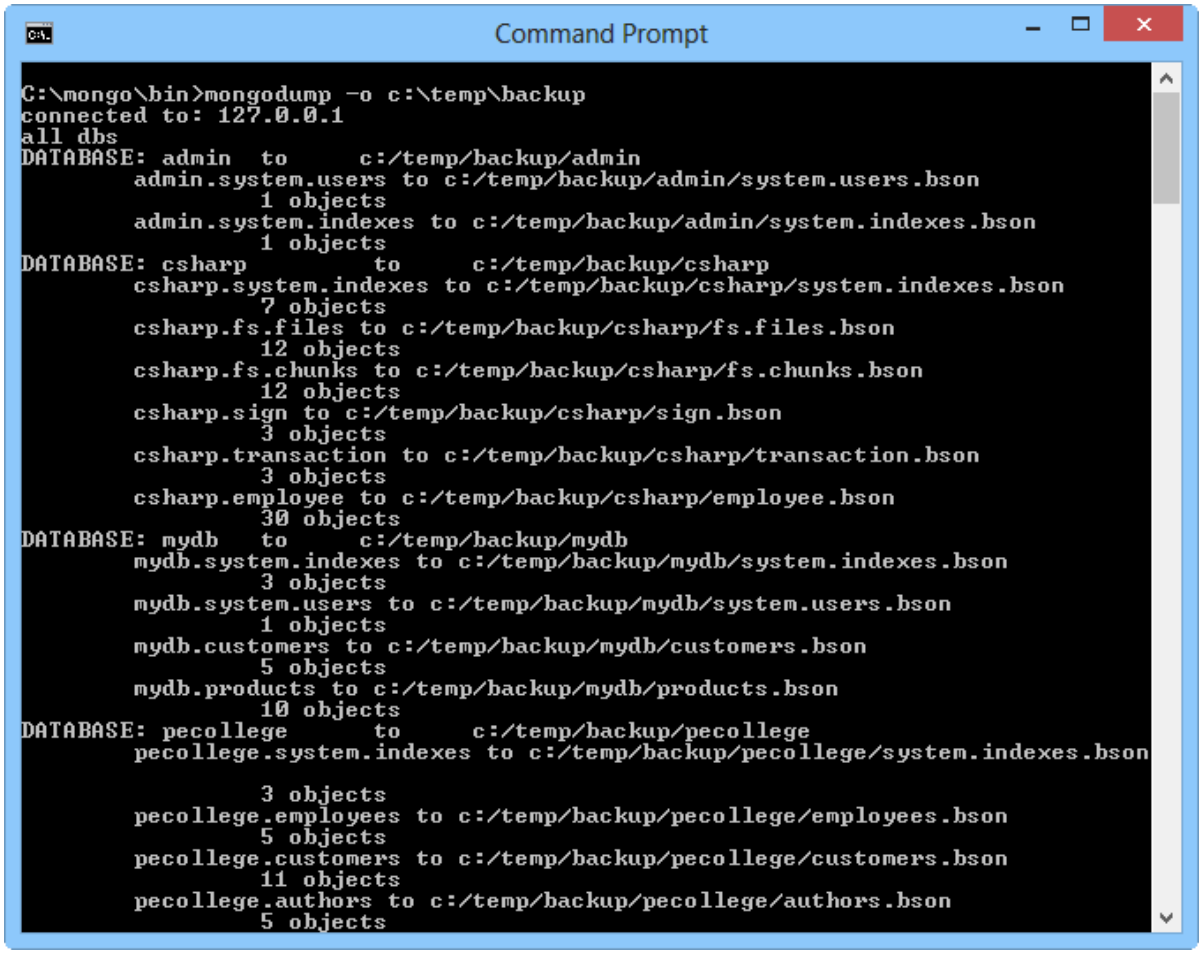


Figure 80: Backing up all databases

If you open the c:\temp\backup folder, you will see all databases in the BSON file format. For instance, if you open the **csharp** database you will see several BSON files as shown in Figure 81.

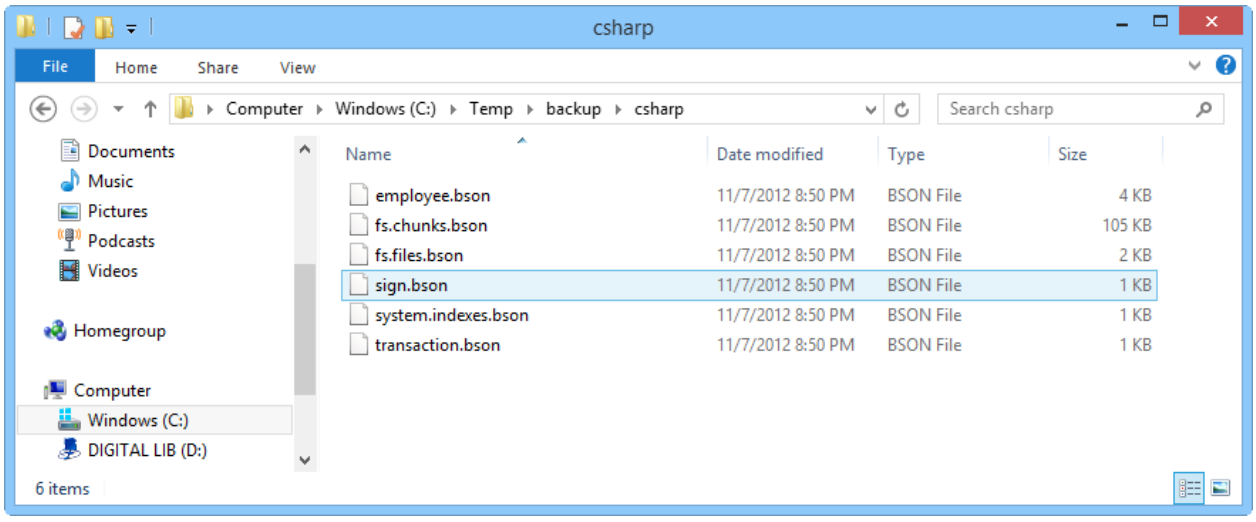


Figure 81: Showing database csharp

Restore

After backing up the data, you can also restore the data to MongoDB. To restore the data, you use **`mongorestore.exe`**. If you type it in the Command Prompt window and press Enter, you will get a response as shown in Figure 82.

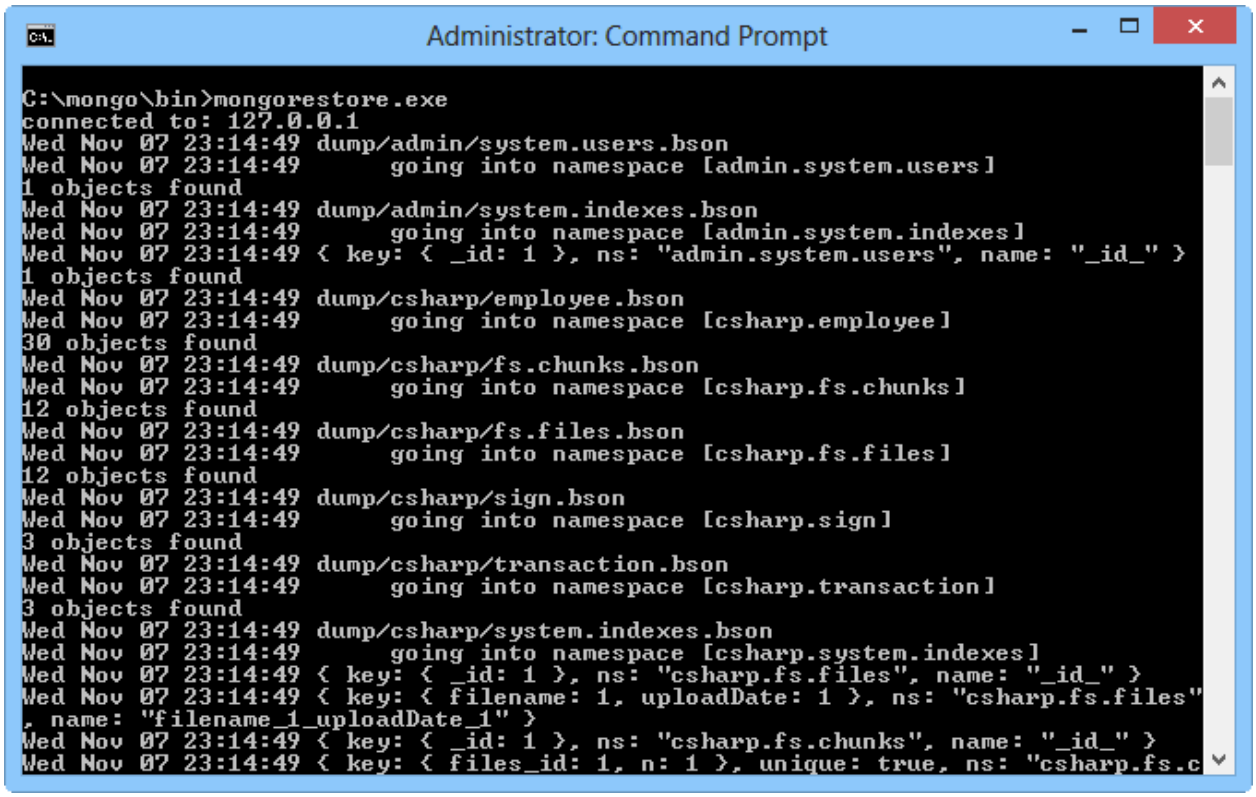


Figure 82: Executing mongorestore.exe

As you can see, mongorestore.exe writes the dumped data to restore the database. It will run automatically. You can use the following script for the restore process.

```
mongorestore.exe --help
```

You will get a response as shown in Figure 83.

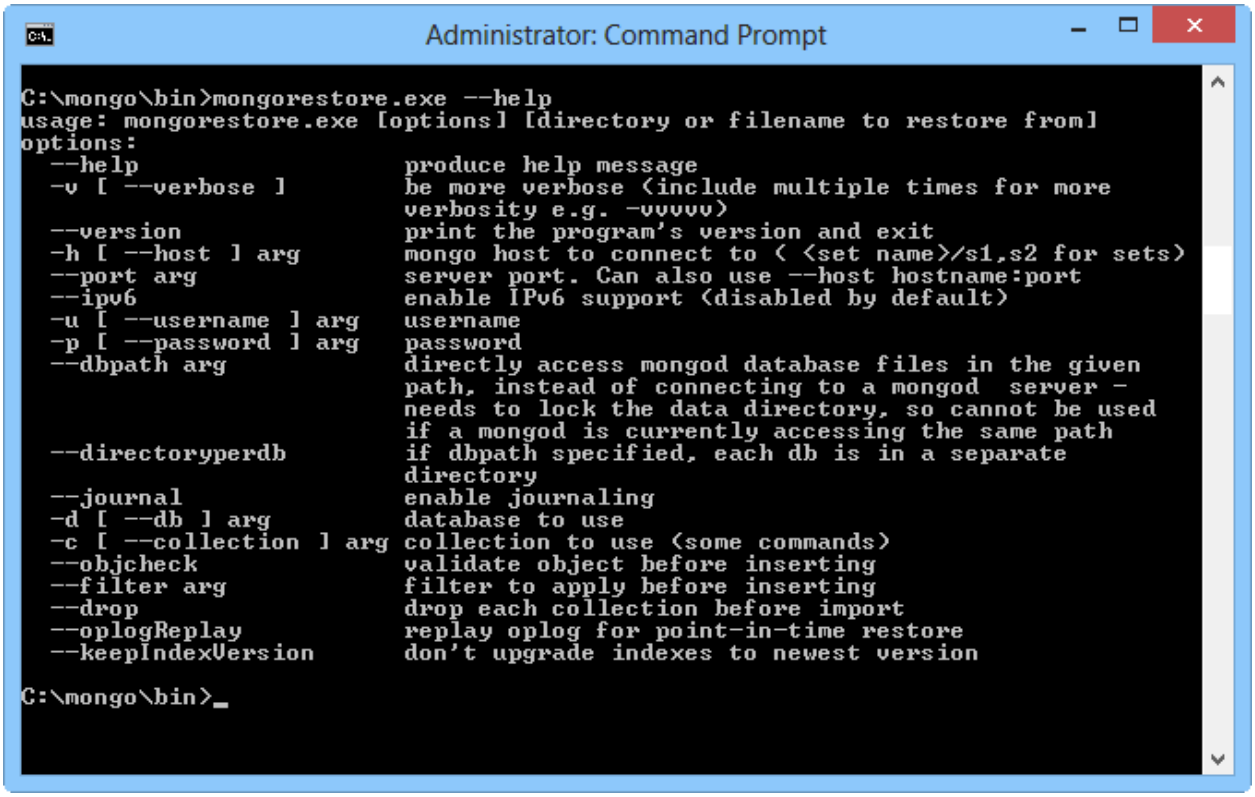


Figure 83: Getting information about mongorestore parameters

The mongorestore parameters are summarized in the following code example.

```
usage: ./mongorestore [options] [directory or filename to restore from]
options:
  --help                  produce help message
  -v [ --verbose ]        be more verbose (include multiple times for more
                          verbosity e.g. -vvvvv)
  --version               print the program's version and exit
  -h [ --host ] arg       mongo host to connect to ( <set name>/s1,s2 for
                          sets)
  --port arg              server port. Can also use --host hostname:port
  --ipv6                  enable IPv6 support (disabled by default)
  -u [ --username ] arg   username
  -p [ --password ] arg   password
  --dbpath arg            directly access mongod database files in the given
                          path, instead of connecting to a mongod server -
                          needs to lock the data directory, so cannot be used
                          if a mongod is currently accessing the same path
  --directoryperdb        if dbpath specified, each db is in a separate
                          directory
  --journal               enable journaling
  -d [ --db ] arg         database to use
  -c [ --collection ] arg collection to use (some commands)
  --objcheck              validate object before inserting
```

```
  --filter arg           filter to apply before inserting
  --drop                 drop each collection before import
  --oplogReplay          replay oplog for point-in-time restore
  --keepIndexVersion     don't upgrade indexes to newest version
```

The following code example can be used to restore the **mydb** database located in the **c:\temp\local** folder.

```
mongorestore.exe C:\Temp\backup\mydb
```

Running this code will produce the response shown in Figure 84.

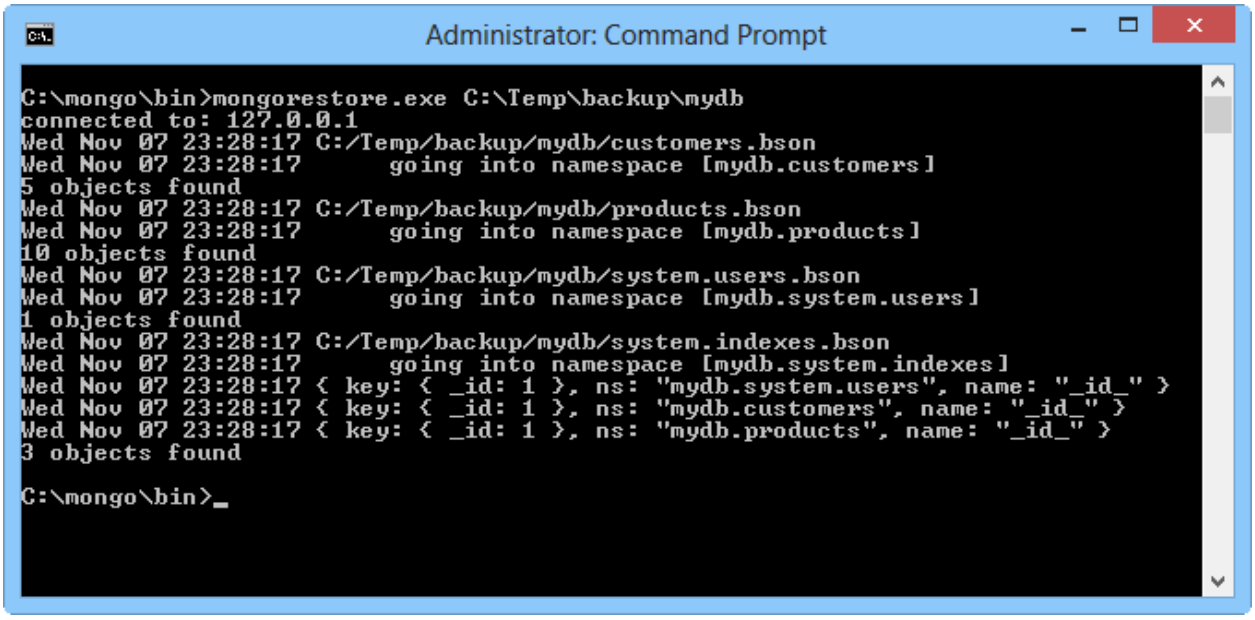


Figure 84: Executing restore database mydb

You can specify what kind of collection will be restored to MongoDB. For instance, if you want to restore the file customers.bson to the **customers** collection in the database **mydb**, you can use the following code example.

```
mongorestore.exe --db mydb -c customers C:\Temp\backup\mydb\custome
rs.bson
```

The response is shown in Figure 85.

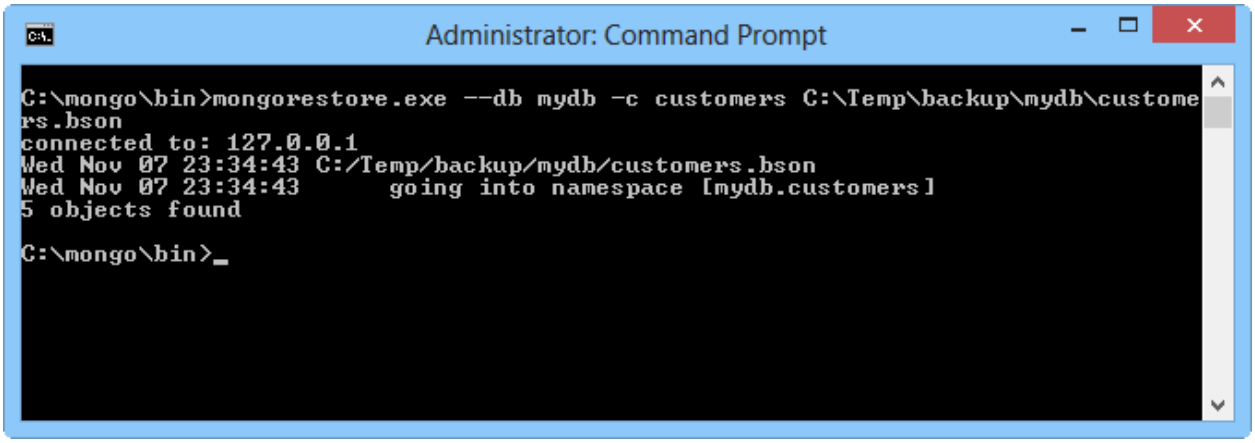


Figure 85: Restoring data with a specific collection type