

# Document Oriented Database

In this lesson, we will get to know about the Document Oriented database and when to choose it for our projects.

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## What Is A Document Oriented Database? #

*Document Oriented databases* are the main types of *NoSQL* databases. They store data in a document-oriented model in independent documents. The data is generally *semi-structured* & stored in a *JSON-like* format.

The data model is similar to the data model of our application code, so it's easier to store and query data for developers.

Document oriented stores are suitable for *Agile software development methodology* as it's easier to change things with evolving demands when working with them.

## Popular Document Oriented Databases #

Some of the popular document-oriented stores used in the industry are *MongoDB, CouchDB, OrientDB, Google Cloud Datastore, Amazon Document DB*

## When Do I Pick A Document Oriented Data Store for My Project? #

If you are working with *semi-structured* data, need a flexible schema which would change often. You ain't sure about the database schema when you start writing the app. There is a possibility that things might change over time. You are in need of something flexible which you could change over time with minimum fuss. Pick a *Document-Oriented* data store.

Typical use cases of Document oriented databases are the following:

- Real-time feeds
- Live sports apps
- Writing product catalogues
- Inventory management
- Storing user comments
- Web-based multiplayer games

Being in the family of *NoSQL* databases these provide horizontal scalability, performant read-writes as they cater to *CRUD* - *Create Read Update Delete* use cases. Where there isn't much relational logic involved & all we need is just quick persistence & retrieval of data.

## Real Life Implementations #

*Here are some of the good real-life implementations of the tech below -*

- [SEGA uses Mongo-DB to improve the experience for millions of mobile gamers](#)
- [Coinbase scaled from 15k requests per min to 1.2 million requests per minute with MongoDB](#)