**PART 1**

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* Explanation of what MongoDB and how to install it
* Run Mongo and Mongo shell
* Run basic mongo commands
* How to create a database
* How to create a collection
* How to use basic commands such as insert, find , findOne
* Explain Mongoose and connect our express.js app to MongoDB via Mongoose

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**MongoDB**

MongoDB is a database application which allows us to store data in a persistent manner. This means

even after we restart the server the data will still be available. MongoDB stores data in a format and

syntax that is near identical to JSON. If you understand JSON you can understand how to work with

MongoDB data sets. Technically MongoDB refers to their data format as BSON ( Binary JSON )

**Installing MongoDB**

To install go to: <https://www.mongodb.org/downloads#production>

Once you pick your installer download it and run it.

Once installed go to the windows programs folder ( or on Mac the applications folder) and inside the

mongoDB folder open each folder until you have reached the Bin folder – then open it. You should see a

list of files that begin with “mongo”. Find and create a shortcut of the mongo file and the mongod file to

your desktop.

**Launching MongoDB**

To launch mongoDB click the mongod shortcut you just created on your desktop, then wait for it to load,

then click the shortcut titled mongo

From here on out you will work in the mongo terminal window, however you must keep mongod open

in the background to work.

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**Creating a database**

To create a database in mongo all you need to do is run the following command:

use name-of-database

So for example do:

use todo

If you want to view all available databases use:

show dbs

To delete a database first “use” it then

db.dropDatabase()

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**Adding a collection**

A collection is basically an umbrella term for a list of objects. The following code adds a new item to a

collection called todos.

db.todos.insert({item:"get milk"});

To see the item run the following:

db.todos.find()

The result will return

{ "\_id" : ObjectId("5631e43fbeac04a6f5b95841"), "item" : "get milk" }

If you add multiple items to a collection the find() command will list them all.

If you simply want to see what one item in a collection looks like you can do this:

db.todos.findOne();

If you want to view all collections in the currently selected database do this:

Show collections

If you want to find an object based on its key/values you can do this:

db.todos.find({"item" : "get milk"})

You can also remove items based on this criteria

db.todos.remove({"item" : "get milk"})

There are many commands available to search and modify data with MongoDB and we are only going

over the very basics. Search the documentation for more information if need be.

**Mongoose**

Now that you have seen some mongodDB basics, it is time to connect mongoDB to node.js. This can be

done using a module called mongoose.js

To begin, install mongoose

npm install mongoose –save

Now In your app.js file set the require method after all the other required modules

var express = require("express");

var app = express();

var expressHbs = require('express-handlebars');

var bodyParser = require('body-parser');

**var mongoose = require('mongoose');**

**mongoose.connect('mongodb://localhost/app'); // connection code**

Now, empty out all the route bodies in your code. The result should look like the following ( feel free to

copy and paste this for brevity )

//\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_BEGIN app

var express = require("express");

var app = express();

var expressHbs = require('express-handlebars');

var bodyParser = require('body-parser');

var mongoose = require('mongoose');

app.use(bodyParser.urlencoded({

extended: true

}));

app.use(express.static('public'))

app.set('view engine', 'hbs');

app.engine('hbs', expressHbs({

extname: 'hbs'

}));

mongoose.connect('mongodb://localhost/app');

app.get("/", function(req, res) {

});

app.post("/client\_to\_server", function(req, res) {

});

app.get("/delete/:id", function(req, res) {

});

app.get("/edit/:id", function(req, res) {

});

app.post("/update/:id", function(req, res) {

});

app.get('/static', function(req, res) {

res.sendFile('static\_example.html', {

root: "public"

});

});

app.get("\*", function(req, res) {

res.redirect("/")

});

app.listen(3000, function() {

console.log(“Server listening on 3000”)

});

//\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_END app

**Creating a Mongoose model**

A model is an object template that data from the client is expected to conform to. The purpose of

Mongoose is to create these models to insure the data that users enter is the right kind of

data. You can look at these templates (or models) as a type of filter. In Mongoose this is referred to as

ODM - or Object Data Modeling.

To create your first model, type the following below the mongoose connect method. This code is a

template (or model) called Todo, which is designed to contain a property called task. Task is a required

field and must be a string to be saved.

mongoose.connect('mongodb://localhost/app');

var Todo = mongoose.model('Todo', {

task: {

type: String,

required: true

}

});

**Storing a new Todo in the database**

Create an initial route for the homepage:

app.get("/", function(req, res) {

res.render("index");

});

Then create a post request to send data to database:

app.post("/client\_to\_server", function(req, res) {

Todo.create({

task: req.body.userData

});

res.redirect("/");

});

In the MongoDB shell use the app database:

use app

Now make a Todo post from the homepage.

You can then check if the data was inserted in the the database by using the following command in the Mongo Shell:

db.todos.find()

This should return something like:

{ "\_id" : ObjectId("56352cae7e9242a0009cfdc0"), "task" : "ZOINK", "\_\_v" : 0 }

**Retrieving the Todos from the database and placing them on the homepage**

In app.js modify the homepage get route to look like the following.

app.get("/", function(req, res) {

Todo.find(function(err, arrayOfItems) {

res.render("index", {

item: arrayOfItems

});

});

});

In the index.hbs modify the code to the following

<body>

<form method="post" action="client\_to\_server">

<input type="text" name="userData">

<input type="submit">

</form>

<ul>

{{#each item}}

<li>

<a href="delete/{{this.id}}">

{{this.task}}:

</a>

<a href="edit/{{this.id}}">

<b>Edit</b>

</a>

</li>

{{/each}}

</ul>

</body>

Deleting Todos

app.get('/delete/:id', function(req, res) {

Todo.findById(req.params.id, function(err, todo) {

if (!err) { //\_\_\_Example of error checking

todo.remove();

} else { //\_\_\_\_If item is not found then do something

return err

}

});

res.redirect('/');

});

**Editing/Updating Todos**

**Modify app.js**

app.get("/edit/:id", function(req, res) {

Todo.findById(req.params.id, function(err, item) {

res.render("edit", {

todo: item

});

});

});

**Modify edit.hbs:**

<body>

<h1> Editing</h1>

<form method="post" action = "/update/{{todo.\_id}}">

<input type="text" name = "updated\_task">

<input type = "submit">

</form>

</body>

Then modify apps.js

app.post('/update/:id', function(req, res) {

Todo.findById(req.params.id, function(err, todo) {

todo.task = req.body.updated\_task;

todo.save();

});

res.redirect('/');

});