

Computer Science and Engineering

System and Methods for Big and Unstructured Data

Project Report - MongoDB

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1 Introduction

The measures taken by the Government for the management of the pandemic have generated a multitude of documents and so the creation of an application for the management of these documents by the authorities has become far more than a need. The authorities have created a Covid certificate for people vaccinated and/ or tested. This certificate removes the movement limits imposed by the restrictions due to the pandemic: allows access to bars, restaurants, cinemas, schools and all the other meeting places as it also ensures that the citizen who is in possession of it is in a "safe" state of health. In this way the government can track the movements of the people and ensures that there is less possibility of spreading the virus among the population. Obviously the certificates are released by authorized bodies such as hospitals and private clinics. The certificates have a limited validity so there is an expiration date that if exceeded, they need to be updated.

1.1 Delivery specification

The goal of the project is: designing, storing and using a NoSQL document-based storage for collecting the certificates of vaccination or testing and the authorized bodies that can release them. The certificates contain the personal information of the people, their Covid vaccionations and tests. All these documents will be used to support an app for COVID-19. All the work done can be found at this link: GitHub Repo

1.2 Assumptions

Validity: We decided to model the validity of the certificates with this field. It's composed by two sub-fields: Version and Expiration Date. Version indicates the law that was in force when the certificate was released and every rule has a different duration validity (used to calculate the expiration date). In this way we can keep up with the evolution of the rules because if a new rule is enacted, we can update this sub-field for the documents that need to be updated and consequently recalculate the expiration date.

Places: This collection contains the authorized bodies (like hospitals, pharmacies, clinics) that we considered. They all have a name, geographic coordinates and geographic information. The dataset containing places was retrieved from GeoNames and it has been pre-processed for better use.

Doctor/Nurses: For each test and vaccine it's always indicated the doctor who did the vaccine (with his personal information) and at least one nurse that assisted (with their personal information). There can be at most five nurses for one test or vaccine.

2 Relational Model

To approach the problem, we developed an ER Model based of 7 entities: Person with Doctor and Nurse, Test, Vaccines, Place and the main certificate. Following the image of the ER diagram and the descriptions of the classes and relations.

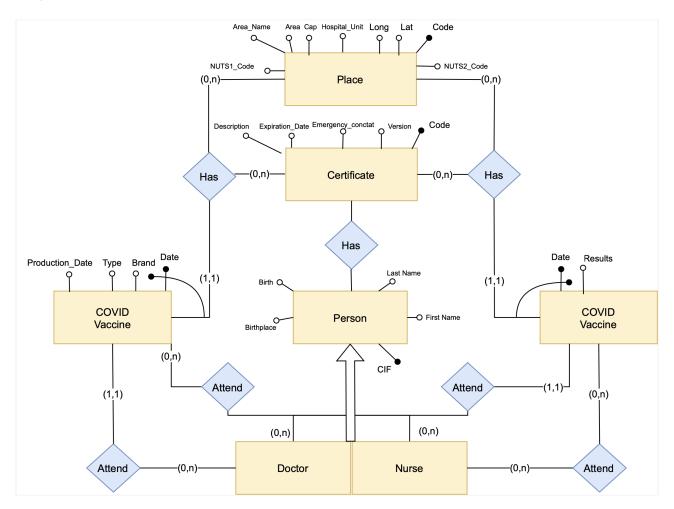


Figure 1: Entity-Relationship Model

2.1 Logical Model

```
####### Entities ######
Person(CIF,First_Name,Last_Name,Birth,Birthplace)
Doctor(CIF,First_Name,Last_Name,Birth,Birthplace)
Nurse(CIF,First_Name,Last_Name,Birth,Birthplace)
Place(Code,Hospital_Unit,Lat,Long,CAP,Area,Area_name,NUTS1_Code,NUTS2_Code)
Tests(CIF,Date,Results)
Vaccines(CIF,Date,Brand,Type,Production_Date)
```

3 MongoDB Implementation

To generate entities and relations, we coded a python script called "generate_dataset.py" that generates:

- 10000 Certificates
- 300 Places

For a total of 38904 nodes and 88110 relations. These numbers can be modified through the variables found in the first lines of the script.

Once that the script has been executed, 2 output json files can be found in scripts/output, one for the certificates and one for the places.

3.1 Queries

Now we list some queries we wrote to inspect our database for useful information about COVID.

Query n. 1

Count how many people have an expired certificate

Count how many people did at least one mRna vaccine

```
db.Certificates.find(
     {Vaccines:{$elemMatch:{Type:"mRNA"}}}).count()
```

Query n. 3

Find the people who had two doses of Pfizer

```
< { _id: 'TYLRRT79S06C501Y',</pre>
   Vaccines:
    [ { CIF: 'TYLRRT79S06C501Y',
        Date: '2021-02-16',
        Brand: 'Pfizer',
        Place ID: 250,
        Type: 'Viral Vector',
        Production Date: '2020-08-25',
        Doctor:
         { id: 'PLMGNS68L42A902I',
           First_Name: 'Agnes',
           Last_Name: 'Palmer' },
        Nurses:
         [ { id: 'PVASHN03H04G4780',
             First Name: 'Shane',
             Last Name: 'Pavia' },
           { id: 'ZCHGRG99S18F587L',
             First Name: 'George',
             Last Name: 'Zachmann' },
           { id: 'MRTTMS61L13A294Z',
             First Name: 'Thomas',
             Last Name: 'Martinez' },
           { id: 'HNSWLM67L04D015D',
             First Name: 'William',
             Last_Name: 'Hanscom' } ] },
      { CIF: 'TYLRRT79S06C501Y',
        Date: '2021-09-24',
        Brand: 'Pfizer',
```

Find the people who had a positive result in the last test they did

```
{ id: 'RSSPLA84M25D930L',
  Tests:
   { CIF: 'RSSPLA84M25D930L',
     Date: '2021-10-09',
     Result: true,
     Place ID: 21,
     Doctor:
      { id: 'RMSMRY53C07M140B',
        First Name: 'Emory',
        Last Name: 'Armstrong' },
     Nursesi
       [ { _id: 'SZMBTY81M46D266Y',
          First Name: 'Betty',
          Last Name: 'Sizemore' },
        [ _id: 'FNLMTH67C04B008Q',
          First Name: 'Matthew',
          Last_Name: 'Fanelli' } ] } }
{ id: 'PTTRYA78P09C142H',
  Tests:
   { CIF: 'PTTRYA78P09C142H',
     Date: '2021-06-29',
```

Find all the hospitals

```
< { _id: 1,
   Lat: 42.58158408,
   Long: 8.26283616,
   Area: 'ABR',
   Area_Name: 'Abruzzo',
   Hospital Unit: 'PRESIDIO OSPEDALIERO RENZETTI',
   City: 'LANCIANO',
   District: 'CHIETI',
   NUTS1_Code: 'ITF',
   NUTS2_Code: 'ITF1',
   County Code: 13 }
 { id: 6,
   Lat: 42.93789431,
   Long: 10.10754061,
   Area: 'ABR',
   Area Name: 'Abruzzo',
   Hospital Unit: 'PRESIDIO OSPEDALIERO MAZZINI \n',
   City: 'TERAMO',
```

Find all the hospitals and order them with the text search score

3.2 Commands

Below there are some commands that manipulates the database. (NOTE) The nodes generated with "generate_dataset.py" are coerent with the assumptions, in order to get some corrupted CSV files, use "generate_inconsistent_dataset.py"

3.2.1 Command n. 1

For all certificates with version "v1", set the expiration date to: 31/12/2021

3.2.2 Command n. 2

For all the people who did a vaccine in the place 168, set the doctor id to "null", doctor first name as "Flavio" and doctor last name as "Manna"

3.2.3 Command n. 3

Delete all certificates without vaccine

```
db.Certificates.deleteMany(
          {Vaccines:{$size:0}}
)
```

4 User Interface Implementation

5 Conclusion and possible improvements

In this report, we outlined the design and implementation choices behind the second part of the SAMBUD Fall 2021 project at Polimi. The project highlights the potential of MongoDB, a document-based NoSQL Database, as a modern way of storing and managing data compared to normal relational databases. From the practical point of view it has been interesting to see how the complexity of the ER model has become such a lean structure, highlighting the advantages of working on documents. MongoDB allows for convenient data management, the queries were easy to understand and mirrored the underlying structure. This project has broadened our understanding and vision of NoSQl DBc, using a storage structure that is inspired by the one of the real world allowing us to move away from the classic world of SQL.