

MangoDB Class

#MangoDB Notes

Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)



- A user can be assigned one or more roles, and the scope of user access to the database system is determined by those assigned roles.
- Users have no access to the system outside the designated roles.

 Importantly, MongoDB access control is not enabled by default; you have to enable it through the security.authorization setting. A role grants permission to perform particular actions on a specific resource.
 A single user account can consist of multiple roles. Roles can be assigned:

- At the time of user creation
- When updating the roles of existing users

• There are two types of Roles in MongoDB:

- Built-In Roles:- MongoDB provides built-in roles to offer a set of privileges that are commonly needed in a database system.
- User-Defined Roles:- If built-in roles do not provide all the expected privileges, database administrators can define custom roles using the createRole method. Those roles are called User-Defined roles.

Built-in Roles

- The most common built-in roles of MongoDB.
- Database user roles
- Database user roles are normal user roles that are useful in regular database interactions.

| Role | Description | |
|-----------|--|--|
| read | Read all non-system collections and the system.js collection | |
| readWrite | Both Read and Write functionality on non-system collections and the system.js collection | |

Database administration roles

• These are roles that are used to carry out administrative operations on databases.

| Role | Description | |
|-----------|---|--|
| dbAdmin | Perform administrative tasks such as indexing and gathering statistics, but cannot manage users or roles | |
| userAdmin | Provides the ability to create and modify roles and users of a specific database | |
| dbOwner | This is the owner of the database who can perform any action. It is equal to combining all the roles mentioned above: readWrite, dbAdmin, and userAdmin roles | |



Cluster admin roles

■ These roles enable users to interact and administrate MongoDB clusters.

| Role | Description | |
|----------------|--|--|
| clusterManager | Enables management and monitoring functionality on the cluster. Provides access to config and local databases used in sharding and replication | |
| clusterMonitor | Provide read-only access to MongoDB monitoring tools such as Cloud Manager or Ops Manager monitoring agent | |
| hostManager | Provides the ability to monitor and manage individual servers | |
| clusterAdmin | This role includes the highest number of cluster administrative privileges allowing a user to do virtually anything. This functionality is equal to the combination of clusterManager, clusterMonitor, hostManager roles, and dropDatabase action. | |



Backup & restoration roles

• These are the roles that are required for backup and restoring data in a MongoDB instance. They can only be assigned with the admin database.

| Role | Description |
|---------|--|
| backup | Provides the necessary privileges to backup data. This role is required for MongoDB Cloud Manager and Ops Manager, backup agents, and the monogdump utility. |
| restore | Provides the privileges to carry out restoration functions |

All database roles

• These are database roles that provide privileges to interact with all databases, excluding local and config databases.

| Role | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| readAnyDatabase | Read any database |
| readWriteAnyDatabase | Provides read and write privileges to all databases |
| userAdminAnyDatabase | Create and Modify users and roles across all databases |
| dbAdminAnyDatabase | Perform database administrative functions on all databases |



Superuser roles

MongoDB can provide either direct or indirect system-wide superuser access.
 The following roles grant superuser privileges scoped to a specified database or databases.

- dbOwner
- userAdmin
- userAdminAnyDatabase

■ The true superuser role is the root role, which provides systemwide privileges for all functions and resources.



User-Defined Roles

- MongoDB Role Management provides the necessary methods to create and manage user-defined roles.
- The most commonly used methods for user-defined role creation are shown in the following table.



| Method | Description |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| db.createRole() | Create a role and its privileges |
| db.updateRole() | Update the user-defined role |
| db.dropRole() | Delete a user-defined role |
| db.grantPrivilegesToRole() | Assigns new privileges to a role |
| db.revokePrivilegesFromRole() | Removes privileges from a role |



MongoDB role management

Roles are defined using the following syntax:

```
roles: [
{
role: "<Role>", db: "<Database>"
}
]
```



- Assigning user roles at user creation
- First, create a user with read and write access to a specific database (myDemo) using the createUser method with roles parameter.

```
db.createUser(
{
  user: "akash",
  pwd: "test123",
  roles: [
  {
  role: "readWrite",
  db: "myDemo"
  }
  ]
}
```



Example

```
myDemo> db.createUser({user:"akash",pwd:"test123",roles:[{role:"readWrite",db:"myDemo"}]})
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo>
```





Retrieving role information

- Using the getRole method, users can obtain information about a specific role.
- db.getRole("readWrite")

```
myDemo> db.getRole("readWrite")
  db: 'myDemo',
 role: 'readWrite',
  roles: [],
  inheritedRoles: [],
  isBuiltin: true
myDemo>
```



• To obtain the privileges associated with that role, use the showPrivileges option by setting its value as 'true'. This can also be used in the getUser method.

• db.getRole("readWrite", { showPrivileges: true})

Example

```
• mongosh mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/mongo?directConnection=true&serverSelectionTimeoutMS=2000
myDemo> db.getRole("readWrite",{showPrivileges:true})
 db: 'myDemo',
 role: 'readWrite',
 roles: [],
 privileges: [
     resource: { db: 'myDemo', collection: '' },
     actions: [
        'changeStream',
        'convertToCapped',
        'emptycapped',
     resource: { db: 'myDemo', collection: 'system.js' },
      actions: [
        'changeStream',
```





Identifying assigned user roles

- The getUser method enables you to identify the roles assigned to a specific user by using the following syntax:
- db.getUser("<Username>")

```
myDemo> db.getUser("akash")
{
    _id: 'myDemo.akash',
    userId: UUID("9569e4df-e814-448d-b14d-9e9ff2e5e107"),
    user: 'akash',
    db: 'myDemo',
    roles: [ { role: 'readWrite', db: 'myDemo' } ],
    mechanisms: [ 'SCRAM-SHA-1', 'SCRAM-SHA-256' ]
}
myDemo>
```





Granting & revoking user roles

• Using the grantRolesToUser and revokeRolesFromUser methods, you can modify the roles assigned to existing users. These methods use the following syntax:

```
db.<grantRolesToUser | revokeRolesFromUser> (
"<Username>",
[
{ role: "<Role>", db: "<Database>" }
]
```



mongosh mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/mongo?directConnection=true&serverSelectionTimeoutMS=2000

```
myDemo> db.grantRolesToUser("akash",[{role:"dbAdmin",db:"mydb"}])
{ ok: 1 }
```



```
myDemo> db.getUser("akash")
 _id: 'myDemo.akash',
 userId: UUID("9569e4df-e814-448d-b14d-9e9ff2e5e107"),
 user: 'akash',
 db: 'myDemo',
 roles: [
   { role: 'dbAdmin', db: 'mydb' },
    { role: 'readWrite', db: 'myDemo' }
 mechanisms: [ 'SCRAM-SHA-1', 'SCRAM-SHA-256' ]
myDemo>
```





Now you have added a new role to the user, "akash". So, let's remove that newly granted role using the revokeRolesFromUser method.

```
db.revokeRolesFromUser(
    "akash",
[
    { role: "dbAdmin", db: "mydb" }
]
```



```
myDemo> db.revokeRolesFromUser("akash",[{role:"dbAdmin",db:"mydb"}])
 ok: 1 }
myDemo> db.getUser("akash")
 _id: 'myDemo.akash',
 userId: UUID("9569e4df-e814-448d-b14d-9e9ff2e5e107"),
 user: 'akash',
 db: 'myDemo',
 roles: [ { role: 'readWrite', db: 'myDemo' } ],
 mechanisms: [ 'SCRAM-SHA-1', 'SCRAM-SHA-256' ]
myDemo>
```





Creating user-defined roles

 Using the createRole method, you can create a new role according to your needs.

Syntax

```
db.createRole(
role: "<RoleName>",
privileges: [
resource: { db: "<Database>", collection: "<Collection>"},
actions: [ "<Actions>" ]
roles: [
{ role: "<Role>", db: "<Database>" }
```



To associate a user-defined role to all databases or collections, you can specify the resources with empty double quotes, as shown below.

resource: { db: "", collection: ""}

- Here, you will create a role that limits a user's access to a specific database collection (student collection of myDemo database).
- It limits the user actions to find and update commands without inheriting any other privileges.

```
db.createRole(
{
  role: "studenteditor",
  privileges: [
  {
  resource: { db: "myDemo", collection: "student"},
  actions: [ "find", "update" ]
  }
  ],
  roles: [ ]
}
```





- We can identify the user-defined roles using the isBuiltin parameter.
- The studenteditor role has false for the that parameter, indicating it as a non-built-in role.



Example 2

• In this example we will create an studentmanager role with all the CURD privileges and inherit the privileges from the userAdmin role.

```
db.createRole(
role: "studentmanager",
privileges: [
resource: { db: "myDemo", collection: "student"},
actions: [ "find", "update", "insert", "remove" ]
roles: [
{ role: "userAdmin", db: "myDemo" }
```



```
mongosh mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/mongo?directConnection=true&serverSelectionTimeoutMS=2000
```

```
myDemo> db.createRole({role:"studentManager",privileges:[{resource:{db:"myDemo",collection:"student"},
actions:["find","update","insert","remove"]}],roles:[{role:"userAdmin",db:"myDemo"}]})
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo>
```



• If you check the studentManager role using the getRole method, it will display the details of the role, including the inherited permissions.

```
myDemo> db.getRole("studentManager")
{
    _id: 'myDemo.studentManager',
    role: 'studentManager',
    db: 'myDemo',
    roles: [ { role: 'userAdmin', db: 'myDemo' } ],
    inheritedRoles: [ { role: 'userAdmin', db: 'myDemo' } ],
    isBuiltin: false
}
myDemo>
```





Assigning user-defined roles to users

You can assign user-defined roles to a new user or update the roles of an existing user in the same way you do it with a built-in role.

Creating a new user:

```
db.createUser(
user: "managerAkash",
pwd: "manager123",
roles: [
role: "studentManager",
db: "myDemo"
```



```
mongosh mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/mongo?directConnection=true&serverSelectionTimeoutMS=2000

myDemo> db.createUser({user:"managerAkash",pwd:"manager123",roles:[{role:"studentManager",db:"myDemo"}]})
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo>
```



Granting new roles:

```
db.grantRolesToUser(
"mangerAkash",
[
{ role: "studenteditor", db: "myDemo" }
]
```



```
mongosh mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/mongo?directConnection=true&serverSelectionTimeoutMS=2000

myDemo> db.grantRolesToUser("managerAkash",[{role:"studenteditor",db:"myDemo"}])
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo>
```



Show Roles

```
myDemo> db.grantRolesToUser("managerAkash",[{role:"studenteditor",db:"myDemo"}])
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo> db.getUser("managerAkash")
 _id: 'myDemo.managerAkash',
 userId: UUID("4517eae0-97b3-40f2-b7db-3d85bd5bbe25"),
 user: 'managerAkash',
 db: 'myDemo',
 roles: [
   { role: 'studenteditor', db: 'myDemo' },
   { role: 'studentManager', db: 'myDemo' }
 mechanisms: [ 'SCRAM-SHA-1', 'SCRAM-SHA-256' ]
myDemo>
```





Updating & deleting user-defined roles

You can update the user-defined roles using the updateRole method and delete the roles using the dropRole method.



Update Role

```
db.updateRole(
"studenteditor",
{
  privileges: [
  {
  resource: { db: "myDemo", collection: "student"},
  actions: [ "find", "update", "insert" ]
  }
  ],
  roles: [ ]
}
```

Show Role

db.getRole("studenteditor",{showPrivileges:true})



Example

```
db.updateRole(
"studenteditor",
privileges: [
resource: { db: "myDemo", collection: "student"},
actions: [ "find", "update", "insert" ]
roles: []
```



```
myDemo> db.updateRole("studenteditor",{privileges:[{resource:{db:"myDemo",collection:"student"},actions:
["find","update","insert"]}],roles:[]})
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo>
```





Show Roles

```
myDemo> db.updateRole("studenteditor",{privileges:[{resource:{db:"myDemo",collection:"student"},actions:[
'find","update","insert"]}],roles:[]})
 ok: 1 }
myDemo> db.getRole("studenteditor",{showPrivileges:true})
 id: 'myDemo.studenteditor',
 role: 'studenteditor',
 db: 'myDemo',
 privileges: [
     resource: { db: 'myDemo', collection: 'student' },
     actions: [ 'find', 'insert', 'update' ]
 roles: [],
 inheritedRoles: [],
 inheritedPrivileges: [
     resource: { db: 'myDemo', collection: 'student' },
     actions: [ 'find', 'insert', 'update' ]
 isBuiltin: false
myDemo>
```





- The most important thing to keep in mind when updating roles is that it will completely replace old values in the privileges and roles arrays.
- Therefore, you need to provide the complete arrays with the modifications when updating a user-defined role.



Drop Role

• The dropRole method has a single functionality to remove a user-defined role. You can remove the inventoryeditor role from the database, as shown below.

db.dropRole("studenteditor")



```
myDemo> db.dropRole("studenteditor")
{ ok: 1 }
myDemo> db.getRole("studenteditor",{showPrivileges:true})
null
myDemo>
```





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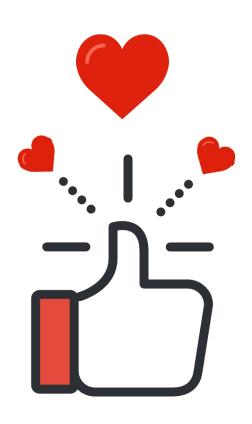
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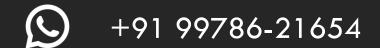
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