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# NODE.JS, EXPRESS & MONGODB

THE COMPLETE BOOTCAMP

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INTRODUCTION TO MONGODB

LECTURE

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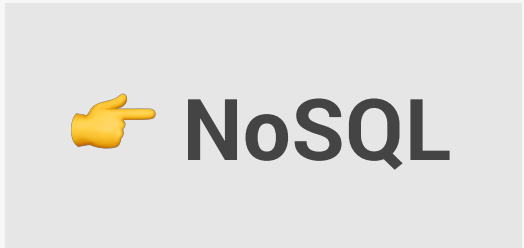


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# MONGODB: AN OVERVIEW

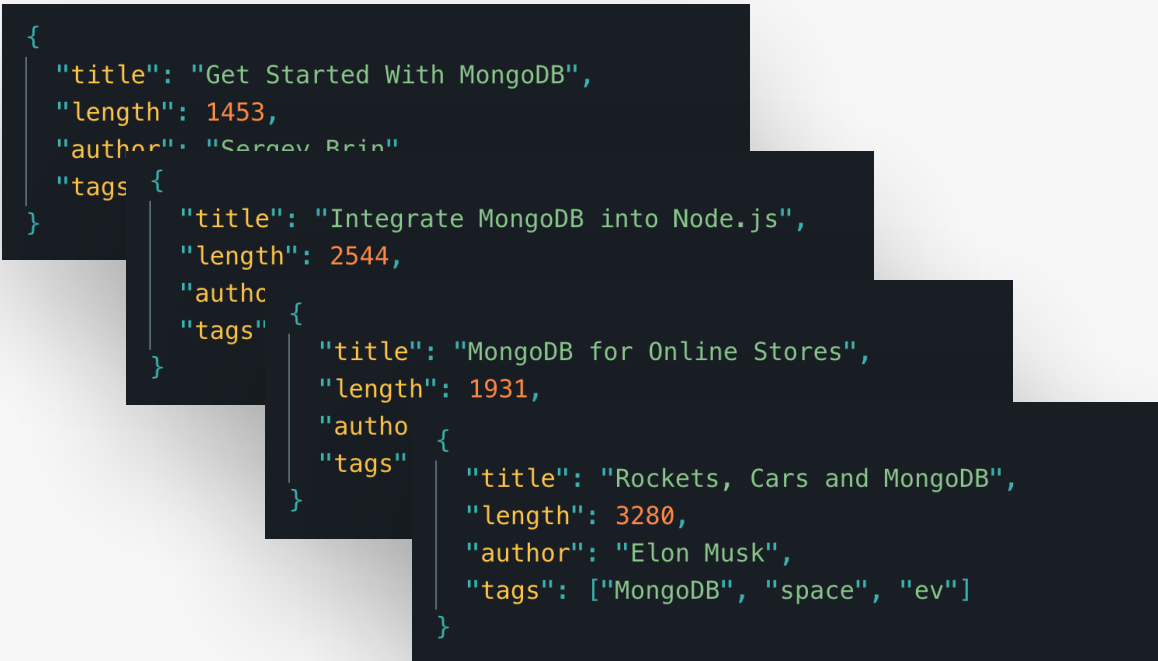


DATABASE



COLLECTIONS  
("Tables")

- blog
- users
- reviews



DOCUMENTS  
("Rows")

- post
- user
- review

# WHAT IS MONGODB?

MONGODB

*"MongoDB is a document database with the scalability and flexibility that you want with the querying and indexing that you need"*

## KEY MONGODB FEATURES:



- 👉 **Document based:** MongoDB stores data in documents (field-value pair data structures, NoSQL);
- 👉 **Scalable:** Very easy to distribute data across multiple machines as your users and amount of data grows;
- 👉 **Flexible:** No document data schema required, so each document can have different number and type of fields;
- 👉 **Performant:** Embedded data models, indexing, sharding, flexible documents, native duplication, etc.
- 👉 Free and open-source, published under the SSPL License.

# DOCUMENTS, BSON AND EMBEDDING

## DOCUMENT STRUCTURE

👉 **BSON:** Data format MongoDB uses for data storage. Like JSON, **but typed**. So MongoDB documents are typed.

Unique ID

Fields

Embedded documents

```
{
  "_id": ObjectId('9375209372634926'),
  "title": "Rockets, Cars and MongoDB",
  "author": "Elon Musk",
  "length": 3280,
  "published": true,
  "tags": ["MongoDB", "space", "ev"],
  "comments": [
    { "author": "Jonas", "text": "Interesting stuff!" },
    { "author": "Bill", "text": "How did oyu do it?" },
    { "author": "Jeff", "text": "My rockets are better" }
  ]
}
```

Values (typed)

👉 **Embedding/Denormalizing:** Including related data into a single document. This allows for quicker access and easier data models (it's not always the best solution though).

## RELATIONAL DATABASE

Column

id	title	author	length	published	tags	comments
1	Rockets...	Elon Musk	3280	TRUE	-	-

"JOIN tables"  
Reference by  
comments\_id

id	autor	text
1	Jonas	Interesting stuff!
2	Bill	How do you do it?
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👉 **Data is always normalized**