# 1 Project 2

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**Important Reminder**: As per the course *Academic Honesty Statement*, cheating of any kind will minimally result in your letter grade for the entire course being reduced by one level.

This document first provides the aims of this project. It then lists the requirements as explicitly as possible. This is followed by a log which should help you understand the requirements. Finally, it provides some hints as to how those requirements can be met.

### 1.1 Aims

The aims of this project are as follows:

- To give you more experience with JavaScript programming.
- To expose you to mongodb.
- To make you comfortable using nodejs packages and module system.

#### 1.2 Overview

In this project, you will implement two kinds of persistent objects:

A book catalog containing a collection of books. Each book is identified by an ISBN and has additional fields like title, one-or-more authors, publisher, year published, and number of pages. For simplicity, the catalog does not track quantities or allow deletion of items from the catalog.

A shopping cart containing zero-or-more catalog items. It maps a catalog identifier (referred to in industry parlance as a *Stock Keeping Unit* or sku) to the quantity of that catalog item in the cart. The cart in this project will only contain books. For simplicity, the shopping cart does not have any prices.

## 1.3 Requirements

You must push a submit/prj2-sol directory to your github repository such that typing npm ci within that directory is sufficient to run the project using ./index.mjs.

You are being provided with an index.mjs which provides the required commandline behavior. What you specifically need to do is add code to the provided model.mjs source file as per the requirements in that file. The behavior of the program is illustrated in this annotated log.

### 1.4 Provided Files

The prj2-sol directory contains a start for your project. It contains the following files:

model.mjs This skeleton file constitutes the guts of your project. You will need to flesh out the skeleton, adding code as per the documentation. You should feel free to add any auxiliary function, method definitions or even auxiliary files as required.

The provided code does most (**not all**) the validations necessary for this project.

index.mjs This file provides the complete command-line behavior which is required by your program. It requires model.mjs. You must not modify this file; this ensures that your Model class meets its specifications and facilitates automated testing by testing only the Model API.

meta.mjs Meta-information about the different model object categories. You should try to avoid modifying this file.

model-error.mjs A trival class for application errors.

validator.mjs Validation code for checking for local errors which depend only on a single object instance. Note that it provides generic validation based on types for input parameters. More validation will be necessary, for checking for global errors across objects.

**README** A README file which must be submitted along with your project. It contains an initial header which you must complete (replace the dummy entries with your name, B-number and email address at which you would like to receive project-related email). After the header you may include any content which you would like read during the grading of your project.

Additionally, the *course data directory* contains data files which can be used to test your project.

### 1.5 MongoDB

MongoDB is a popular nosql database. It allows storage of *collections* of *docu*ments to be accessed by a primary key named \_id.

In terms of JavaScript, mongodb documents correspond to arbitrarily nested JavaScript Objects having a top-level \_id property which is used as a primary key. If an object does not have an \_id property, then one will be created with a unique value assigned by mongodb.

- MongoDB provides a basic repertoire of *CRUD Operations*.
- All asynchronous mongo library functions can be called directly using await.
- It is important to ensure that all database connections are closed. Otherwise your program will not exit gracefully.

You can play with mongo by starting up a *mongo shell*:

```
$ mongo
MongoDB shell version v3.6.8
connecting to: mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017
...
Server has startup warnings:
...
> help
db.help() help on db methods
...
exit quit the mongo shell
>
```

Since mongodb is available for different languages, make sure that you are looking at the *nodejs documentation*.

- You can get a connection to a mongodb server using the mongo client's asynchronous connect() method.
- Once you have a connection to a server, you can get to a specific database using the synchronous db() method.
- From a database, you can get to a specific collection using the synchronous collection() method.
- Given a collection, you can asynchronously insert into it using the insert\*() methods.
- Given a collection, you can asynchronously find() a cursor which meets the criteria specified by a filter to find(). The query can be used to filter the collection; specifically, if the filter specifies an \_id, then the cursor returned by the find() should contain at most one result.

If the value of the filter field is an object containing properties for one of mongodb's  $query\ selectors$ , then the filter can do more than merely match the find parameters.

- Given a cursor, you can modify it using the synchronous sort(), skip() and limit() methods.
- Given a cursor, you can get all its results as an array using the asynchronous to Array() method.

• Mongo db indexes can be used to facilitate search. In particular, it supports a **single** *text index* on each collection.

### 1.6 Hints

The following steps are not prescriptive in that you may choose to ignore them as long as you meet all project requirements.

- 1. Read the project requirements thoroughly. Look at the sample log to make sure you understand the necessary behavior. Review the material covered in class including the users-store example.
- 2. Look into debugging methods for your project. Possibilities include:
  - Logging debugging information onto the terminal using console.log() or console.error().
  - Use the chrome debugger as outlined in this article. Specifically, use the --inspect-brk node option when starting your program and then visit about://inspect in your chrome browser.

There seems to be some problems getting all necessary files loaded in to the chrome debugger. This may be due to the use of ES6 modules. If you do not see all your source files when the debugger starts up, repeatedly use the return from current function control repeatedly until the necessary source files are available in the debugger at which point you can insert necessary breakpoints (the critical file will probably be model.mjs where you will be doing most of your debugging).

The provided model.mjs file has a commented out debugger line. If the above procedure does not work, then uncomment that line and try again.

The couple of minutes spent looking at this link and setting up chrome as your debugger for this project will be more than repaid in the time saved adding and removing console.log() statements to your code.

A common cause for development errors is missing a use of await before an asynchronous call. Whenever you get an error message about some method not supported by an object, that object may unexpectedly be a Promise because you did not use await.

3. Consider how you can use mongo to implement this project and use its indexing facilities to access your model data easily.

Try to use mongo's facilities as much as possible; for example, use mongo's \_id field to hold object ID's; instead of writing code for filtering, design your database objects such that you can use the filtering capabilities of

mongo's find() method; use the cursor modification methods like sort(), skip() and limit() to sort your results and implement paging within results.

Since opening a connection to a database is an expensive operation, it is common to open up a connection at the start of a program and hang on to it for the duration of the program. It is also important to remember to close the connection before termination of the program.

[Note that except for the load command, the provided command-line program for this project performs only a single command for each program run. This is not typical and will not be the case in future projects. Hence the API provided for Model allows for multiple operations for each instance and you should associate the database connection with the instance of Model.]

4. Start your project by creating a submit/prj2-sol directory in a new prj2-sol branch of your i444 or i544 directory corresponding to your github repository. Change into the newly created prj2-sol directory and initialize your project by running npm init -y.

```
$ cd ~/i?44
$ git checkout -b prj2-sol #create new branch
$ cp -pr ~/cs544/projects/prj1/prj2-sol . #copy provided files
$ cd prj2-sol #go into project dir
$ npm init -y #initialize project
```

This will create a package.json file; this file will be committed to your repository in the next step.

5. Commit into git:

6. Install the mongodb client library using npm install mongodb. It will install the library and its dependencies into a node\_modules directory created within your current directory. It will also create a package--lock.json which must be committed into your git repository.

The created node\_modules directory should not be committed to git. This should be enforced not only by the .gitignore file you copied over when starting the project, but also by the .gitignore file at the root of your repository which was set up when you followed the provided directions for setting up github. If you have not already done so, please add a line containing simply node\_modules to a .gitignore file at the top-level of your i444 or i544 github project.

7. Commit your changes:

```
$ git add package-lock.json
$ git commit -a -m 'added package-lock'
$ git push
```

8. You should be able to run the project but all commands will return without any results until you replace the @TODO sections with suitable code.

The provided code does have sufficient functionality to get a usage message:

```
./index.mjs
   usage: index.mjs MONGO_DB_URL COMMAND
      where COMMAND is one of
      add-book NAME=VALUE...
          create or update a book
   new-cart
               NAME=VALUE...
        create a new shopping cart, returning cart id
or even do some simple validations:
    $ ./index.mjs GARBAGE_URL clear
    *** bad mongo url GARBAGE_URL
    usage: index.mjs MONGO_DB_URL COMMAND
    $ ./index.mjs mongodb://localhost:27017 add-book \
         isbn=x123 title='some bad book' \
authors='[author, bad; other author, evil]'
    isbn:BAD_FIELD_VALUE: bad value: "x123":
     The ISBN field must consists of one-or-more digits separated by '-
٠.
   :MISSING_FIELD: missing fields "Publisher", "Publication Year".
```

- 9. Replace the XXX entries in the README template.
- 10. Commit your project to github:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -a -m 'set up prj2 files'
$ git push
```

- 11. Open the copy of the model.mjs file in your project directory. Start by implementing the factory method make(). It is set up to call the Model constructor with a props object which contains properties to be injected into the new Model being constructed. As provided, only a single validator property is set up; you will need to set up additional properties.
  - Connect to the database to get a client instance.

• Create properties for any collections your design uses.

The final synchronous call of the constructor() will cache all the properties you set up in the newly created Model instance.

[An instance of a Model should contain a database connection, but obtaining a database connection is an asynchronous operation. Since it is impossible to have an *asynchronous constructor*, an async factory method provides a workaround. Setting up indexes is also asynchronous; this too can be done in the async factory method].

- 12. Think of a try-catch template for implementing all your action methods. This should be set up to catch any errors and convert them to ModelError's having code DB.
- 13. Implement the close() method using a property you have cached within the Model instance.
- 14. Implement the clear() method. Since databases and collections come into life automatically in mongodb, you can implement clear by clearing out all of your collections.
- 15. Implement the new\_cart() method. All you really need to do is create an ID for the cart being created and store it in the database using something like insertOne(). (do not forget to await the asynchronous call).

The generated ID for the new cart should be a String satisfying the following:

- It must be unique.
- To avoid security problems it should not be easily guessable.
- It should not be generated directly by the database as that can make data migration clumsy.

Uniqueness can be ensured by making an ID contain some kind of sequential counter; to avoid having to explicitly persist the counter, it could be maintained implicitly as the number of entries within some mongo collection.

Non-guessability can be ensured by including a random portion generated using Math.random().

Test using the mongo shell to ensure that you are creating carts with the IDs you expect.

16. Implement the cartItem() method. You can use mongo's updateOne() methods using mongo's \$set and \$currentDate operators. You can report a BAD\_ID error if the matchedCount of the update result is different from

If nUnits is 0, you can remove the SKU from the cart. Alternatively, you can simply store the 0 within the cart and filter out the corresponding SKU when returning the cart.

[For now, ignore the requirement for a BAD\_ID error when the sku specifies an unknown ISBN, since you have not yet implemented the book catalog.]

- 17. Implement the getCart() method. You can use mongo's findOne() method. If there is no cart for the specified cartId, it will return null which you can check to report a BAD\_ID error.
  - If you are storing SKU's having 0 nUnits, then filter out those SKU's before returning the retrieved cart.
- 18. Implement the addBook() method. The upsert option for mongo's updateOne() is useful to implement the required semantics of insert or update.
  - You can test by inserting a single book or by using the loadBooks command to load multiple books from a file.
- 19. Implement the findBooks() method. First set up the prerequisite indexing, probably within the make() factory method. Once you have done so, mongo's find() method provides the necessary functionality. Pull out any \_index and \_count parameters from the nameValues, using default values if they are not present. Set up a sort(), skip() and limit() filter on the Cursor returned by the find().
- 20. Go back to cartItem() code and add a check to see whether the sku provided is valid using your newly implemented findBooks() method to do a search by ISBN.
- 21. Iterate until you meet all requirements.

It is a good idea to commit and push your project periodically whenever you have made significant changes. When complete, please follow the procedure given in the *git setup* document to merge your prj1-sol branch into your master branch and submit your project to the grader via github.