

# NoSQL Assignment-2

## WORKBOOK – Migrating SQL Data to NoSQL Database

### Question:

You should take information from a relational database and migrate it to a NoSQL database of your own choosing.

1. For the relational database, you might use the flight's database, any applicable database,
2. For the NoSQL database, you may use MongoDB, Neo4j, or another NoSQL database of your choosing.
3. Your migration process needs to be reproducible. R/Python code is encouraged. You should also briefly describe the advantages and disadvantages of storing the data in a relational database vs. your NoSQL database.

Overall Take any use case. Implement the backend using any NoSQL database format. Create a simple interface to show the results. You should conclude your work with pointers included for future work.

### Solution:

First, let us create a database called company1 in MySQL.

```
mysql> CREATE DATABASE COMPANY1;  
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.01 sec)  
  
mysql> use company1;  
Database changed
```

Then, create a table called employee corresponding to our use-case.

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE employee (  
-> emp_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
-> first_name VARCHAR(40),  
-> last_name VARCHAR(40),  
-> birth_day DATE,  
-> sex VARCHAR(1),  
-> salary INT,  
-> super_id INT,  
-> branch_id INT );  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.26 sec)
```

Finally, let us populate the table with some relevant records. The table is populated and is shown below:

```
mysql> select * from employee;
```

emp_id	first_name	last_name	birth_day	sex	salary	super_id	branch_id
1	John	Doe	1990-01-01	M	50000	NULL	1
2	Jane	Smith	1992-05-15	F	45000	1	2
3	Mark	Johnson	1985-09-22	M	70000	NULL	3
4	Emily	Davis	1988-11-03	F	60000	3	2
5	Michael	Lee	1993-03-10	M	55000	4	1
6	Samantha	Wilson	1987-07-18	F	65000	1	3
7	David	Brown	1984-02-28	M	80000	NULL	2
8	Rachel	Taylor	1991-12-20	F	55000	7	3
9	Brandon	Thomas	1990-04-14	M	60000	7	1
10	Jessica	Hernandez	1986-06-30	F	75000	3	2
11	Daniel	Garcia	1992-09-01	M	40000	10	1
12	Avery	Nguyen	1994-12-25	F	55000	4	3
13	Ethan	Chen	1989-08-08	M	65000	6	2
14	Olivia	Miller	1991-01-12	F	70000	3	1
15	Samuel	Taylor	1985-05-05	M	90000	7	2
16	Madison	Clark	1994-07-22	F	55000	5	1
17	William	Wilson	1986-11-17	M	60000	4	3
18	Isabella	Brown	1993-03-31	F	75000	7	2
19	Noah	Garcia	1988-09-07	M	40000	10	1
20	Sophia	Nguyen	1992-12-14	F	55000	4	3

```
20 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

## Migration of data from MySQL to NoSQL (using MongoDB)

### Step 1: Installing the required modules

```
In [12]: 1 #Step 1: Install the Required Modules
          2 pip install mysql-connector-python
          3 pip install pymongo
```

- **mysql-connector-python** is a Python driver for MySQL. It allows Python programs to connect to MySQL databases, execute SQL queries, and manage transactions. The driver is written in pure Python and is compatible with Python 2.7 and Python 3.x.
- **pymongo** is a Python library that provides a driver for MongoDB, a popular document-oriented NoSQL database. pymongo allows Python programs to connect to MongoDB databases, perform CRUD (create, read, update, delete) operations, and perform advanced queries and aggregation tasks. pymongo is built on top of the bson library, which provides a way to encode and decode BSON (Binary JSON) data.

### Step 2: Importing the modules

```
In [1]: 1 #Step 2: Importing the installed modules
          2 import mysql.connector
          3 import pymongo
```

### Step 3: Connect to MySQL

```
In [2]: 1 #Step 3: Connect to MySQL
2 mysql_conn = mysql.connector.connect(
3     host="localhost",
4     user="root",
5     password="*****",
6     database="company1"
7 )
```

This creates a connection to a MySQL database called "company1" running on the same machine as the Python script, using the username "root" and the appropriate password.

### Step 4: Connect to MongoDB

```
In [3]: 1 #Step 4: Connect to MongoDB
2 mongodb_host = "mongodb://localhost:27017/"
3 mongodb_dbname = "mymongodb"
4 myclient = pymongo.MongoClient(mongodb_host)
5
6 mydb = myclient["mydatabase"]
7 mycol = mydb["mycollection"]
8
9
```

This creates a connection to a MongoDB database called "mydatabase" running on the same machine as the Python script, and selects a collection called "mycollection".

### Step 5: Read the data from MySQL Table

```
In [4]: 1 #Step 5: Read the Data from MySQL Table
2 mysql_cursor = mysql_conn.cursor()
3 mysql_cursor.execute("SELECT * FROM employee")
4 data = mysql_cursor.fetchall()
```

This creates a cursor object to interact with the MySQL database, executes a SQL query to select all rows from a table called "employee", and fetches all the resulting data.

### Step 6: Transforming the data to MongoDB Format

```
In [5]: 1 #Step 6: Transform the Data to MongoDB Format
2 mongo_data = []
3 for row in data:
4     doc = {
5         "emp_id": row[0],
6         "first_name": row[1],
7         "last_name": row[2],
8         "#birth_day": row[3],
9         "sex": row[4],
10        "salary_id": row[5],
11        "super_id": row[6],
12        "branch_id": row[7]
13    }
14    mongo_data.append(doc)
15
```

This iterates over each row of data, creates a new dictionary object for each row, and assigns each value to a corresponding field in the dictionary. The resulting list of dictionaries is stored in the `mongo\_data` variable.

## Step 7: Insert the data into MongoDB

```
In [6]: 1 #Step 7: Insert the data into MongoDB
        2 mycol.insert_many(mongo_data)
```

```
Out[6]: <pymongo.results.InsertManyResult at 0x1871c0bcfd0>
```

This inserts the list of dictionaries from `mongo\_data` into the MongoDB collection specified by `mycol`.

## Step 8: Close all the connections

```
In [7]: 1 #Step 8: Close the connections
        2 mysql_cursor.close()
        3 mysql_conn.close()
        4 myclient.close()
        5
```

This closes the connections to both the MySQL and MongoDB databases.

Let us use MongoDB Compass installed to verify if the migration was successfully done.

The screenshot shows the MongoDB Compass interface for a local database at localhost:27017. The left sidebar displays a tree view of databases and collections, with 'mycollection' selected under the 'mydatabase' database. The main panel shows the 'Documents' tab for 'mycollection', displaying a list of 20 documents. The first three documents are visible, each containing fields like '\_id', 'emp\_id', 'first\_name', 'last\_name', 'sex', 'salary\_id', 'super\_id', and 'branch\_id'. The top right corner of the main panel shows '20 DOCUMENTS' and '1 INDEXES'. The bottom of the panel shows a pagination bar indicating '1 - 20 of 20' documents.

As we can observe, all the 20 rows from the MySQL employee table have successfully been converted into corresponding NoSQL documents.

### Advantages of NoSQL Databases:

- Flexible Schema: NoSQL databases like MongoDB allow for flexible schema design, which can accommodate a wide range of data structures and formats.
- High Scalability: NoSQL databases are highly scalable and can handle large amounts of data without compromising performance.
- High Availability: NoSQL databases can be designed to provide high availability and fault tolerance, which is important for mission-critical applications.

### Disadvantages of NoSQL Databases:

- No ACID Transactions: NoSQL databases typically sacrifice ACID transactions for scalability and performance. This means that data consistency and integrity may not always be guaranteed.
- Lack of Standards: NoSQL databases lack a standard query language like SQL, which can make it more difficult to query and analyze data.
- Complexity: NoSQL databases can be more complex to set up and manage than relational databases, especially in distributed environments.

### Future work:

There are several potential areas of improvement that could make the migration of data from MySQL to NoSQL databases easier:

1. **Standardized Migration Tools**: Developing standardized migration tools that can handle different types of data and migrate them from MySQL to NoSQL databases would make the process more seamless and reduce the need for custom scripts.
2. **Improved Data Modelling**: NoSQL databases use a different data modelling approach compared to relational databases like MySQL. Therefore, developing better data modelling techniques that can automatically convert data from relational to NoSQL models could make the migration process more straightforward.
3. **Better Documentation and Resources**: Providing better documentation and resources on the differences between relational and NoSQL databases, data modelling techniques, and migration strategies can help users make informed decisions and better plan for the migration process.
4. **Automated Schema Conversion**: Automated schema conversion tools can help convert MySQL schema definitions to NoSQL schema definitions, which can help streamline the migration process.
5. **Performance Testing**: Performance testing tools can help users understand how their application will perform when migrated to a NoSQL database. This can help identify performance bottlenecks and optimization opportunities before migration.

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