

# **MongoDB-2**

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# Query Language in MongoDB

# Find() Operator

Collection      Query Criteria      Modifier

```
db.users.find( { age: { $gt: 18 } } ).sort( {age: 1 } )
```

Means ascending

{ age: 18, ... }
{ age: 28, ... }
{ age: 21, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }
{ age: 18, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }
{ age: 31, ... }

users

Query Criteria

{ age: 28, ... }
{ age: 21, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }
{ age: 31, ... }

Modifier

{ age: 21, ... }
{ age: 28, ... }
{ age: 31, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }
{ age: 38, ... }

Results

# Find() + Projection

```
db.users.find(  
  { age: { $gt: 18 } },  
  { name: 1, address: 1 }  
).limit(5)
```

← collection  
← query criteria  
← projection  
← cursor modifier

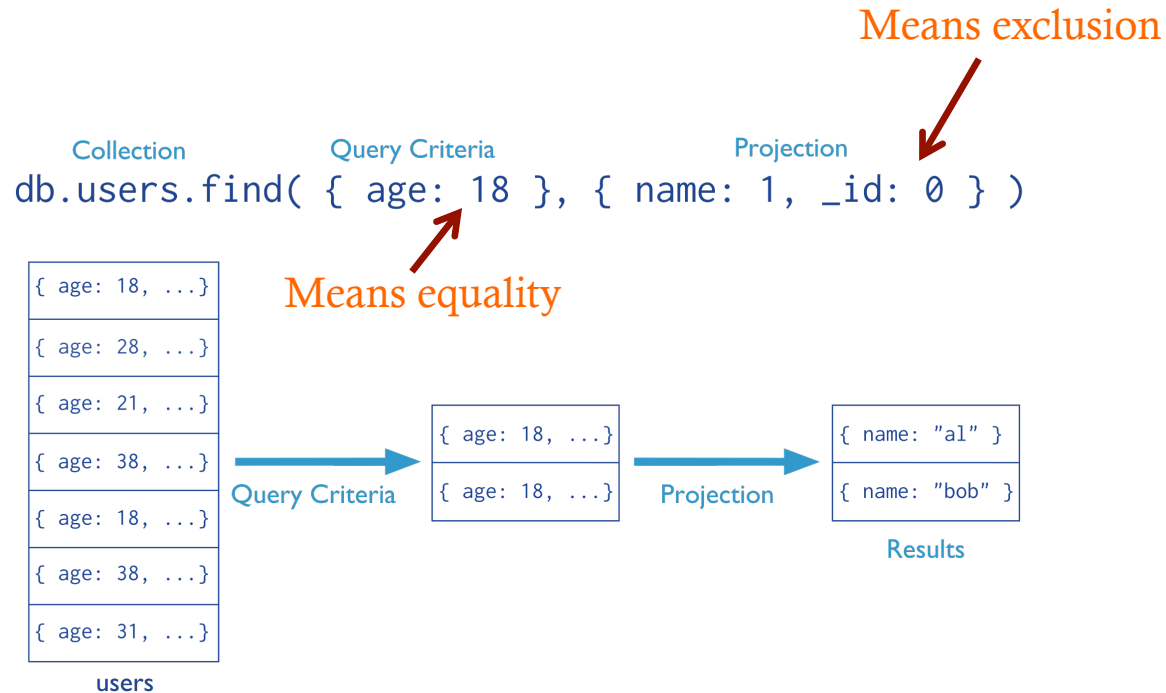
Means inclusion +  
***\_id is always automatically included***

## Equivalent to in SQL:

```
SELECT _id, name, address  
FROM users  
WHERE age > 18  
LIMIT 5
```

← projection  
← table  
← select criteria  
← cursor modifier

# Find(): Exclude Fields



Cannot mix “inclusion & exclusion” in the same operator except for *id*

# Find() More Examples

Report all documents in the “inventory” collection

```
db.inventory.find( )
```

```
db.inventory.find( {} )
```

**Equivalent to in SQL:**

```
Select *  
From inventory;
```

Report all documents in the “inventory” collection  
Where type = ‘food’ or ‘snacks’

```
db.inventory.find(  
  { type: { $in: [ 'food', 'snacks' ] } }  
)
```

**Equivalent to in SQL:**

```
Select *  
From inventory  
Where type in  
  ('food', 'snacks');
```

# Find(): AND & OR

## AND Semantics

```
db.inventory.find( { type: 'food', price: { $lt: 9.95 } } )
```

## OR Semantics

```
db.inventory.find(  
  {  
    $or: [ { qty: { $gt: 100 } }, { price: { $lt: 9.95 } } ]  
  }  
)
```

## AND + OR Semantics

```
db.inventory.find(  
  {  
    type: 'food',  
    $or: [ { qty: { $gt: 100 } }, { price: { $lt: 9.95 } } ]  
  }  
)
```

Type = 'food' and (qty > 100 or price < 9.95)

# \$AND

## Example

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```
{ $and: [ 1, "green" ] }
```

**True**

---

```
{ $and: [ ] }
```

**True**

---

```
{ $and: [ [ null ], [ false ], [ 0 ] ] }
```

**True**

---

```
{ $and: [ null, true ] }
```

**False**

---

```
{ $and: [ 0, true ] }
```

**False**


Any thing is true except 0 (for numbers), Null (for objects).

Arrays evaluate to True



# Queries Return Cursors

- All queries return a the results in a cursor
- If not assigned to a variable → Printed to screen
  - Results are stored in a cursor
  - Many operators on top of that to manipulate the cursor



```
var myCursor = db.inventory.find();  
  
var myFirstDocument = myCursor.hasNext() ? myCursor.next() : null;  
  
myCursor.objsLeftInBatch();
```

## Cursor's Methods:

<http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/reference/method/js-cursor/>

# Cursor Manipulation

```
var myCursor = db.inventory.find( { type: 'food' } );  
myCursor
```



Dumps the content to  
screen (1<sup>st</sup> 20 document)

```
var myCursor = db.inventory.find( { type: 'food' } );  
while (myCursor.hasNext()) {  
  print(tojson(myCursor.next()));  
}
```



Explicitly iterate over  
each document

## Shortcuts for iterations

```
var myCursor = db.inventory.find( { type: 'food' } );  
myCursor.forEach(print json);
```

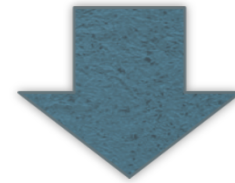
```
var myCursor = db.inventory.find( { type: 'food' } );  
var documentArray = myCursor.toArray();  
var myDocument = documentArray[3];
```

# Querying Complex Types

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```
{
  "firstName": "John",
  "lastName": "Smith",
  "isAlive": true,
  "age": 25,
  "height_cm": 167.6,
  "address": {
    "streetAddress": "21 2nd Street",
    "city": "New York",
    "state": "NY",
    "postalCode": "10021-3100"
  },
  "phoneNumbers": [
    {
      "type": "home",
      "number": "212 555-1234"
    },
    {
      "type": "office",
      "number": "646 555-4567"
    }
  ],
  "children": [],
  "spouse": null
}
```

Documents can be complex, E.g.,  
(Arrays, embedded documents, any  
nesting of these, many levels)



Queries get complex too !!!

# Array Manipulation (Exact Match)

```
{ _id: 5, type: "food", item: "aaa", ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ] }  
{ _id: 6, type: "food", item: "bbb", ratings: [ 5, 9 ] }  
{ _id: 7, type: "food", item: "ccc", ratings: [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

```
db.inventory.find( { ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ] } )
```

The operation returns the following document:

```
{ "_id" : 5, "type" : "food", "item" : "aaa", "ratings" : [ 5, 8, 9 ] }
```

# Array Manipulation (Search By Element)

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{ _id: 7, type: "food", item: "ccc", ratings: [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

```
db.inventory.find( { ratings: 5 } )
```

The operation returns the following documents:

```
{ "_id" : 5, "type" : "food", "item" : "aaa", "ratings" : [ 5, 8, 9 ] }  
{ "_id" : 6, "type" : "food", "item" : "bbb", "ratings" : [ 5, 9 ] }  
{ "_id" : 7, "type" : "food", "item" : "ccc", "ratings" : [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

**Notice:** if a document has “ratings” as an Integer field = 5, it will be returned

# Array Manipulation (Search By Position)

```
{ _id: 5, type: "food", item: "aaa", ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ] }  
{ _id: 6, type: "food", item: "bbb", ratings: [ 5, 9 ] }  
{ _id: 7, type: "food", item: "ccc", ratings: [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

```
db.inventory.find( { 'ratings.0': 5 } )
```

The operation returns the following documents:

```
{ "_id" : 5, "type" : "food", "item" : "aaa", "ratings" : [ 5, 8, 9 ] }  
{ "_id" : 6, "type" : "food", "item" : "bbb", "ratings" : [ 5, 9 ] }
```

**Notice:** if a document has “ratings” as an Integer field = 5, it *will not be* returned

# Array Manipulation (\$elemMatch)

```
// Document 1
{"foo": [
  {
    "shape": "square",
    "color": "purple",
    "thick": false
  },
  {
    "shape": "circle",
    "color": "red",
    "thick": true
  }
]}
```

Who contains purple square?

```
db.foo.find({"foo.shape": "square", "foo.color": "purple"})
```

Returns both

```
db.foo.find({foo: {"shape": "square", "color": "purple"} })
```

Returns none

```
db.foo.find({foo: {"$elemMatch": {shape: "square", color: "purple"}}})
```

Returns Document 1

OK

```
// Document 2
{"foo": [
  {
    "shape": "square",
    "color": "red",
    "thick": true
  },
  {
    "shape": "circle",
    "color": "purple",
    "thick": false
  }
]}
```



# Another Example

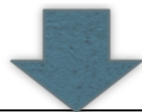
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{ _id: 7, type: "food", item: "ccc", ratings: [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

```
db.inventory.find( { ratings: { $elemMatch: { $gt: 5, $lt: 9 } } } )
```



```
{ "_id" : 5, "type" : "food", "item" : "aaa", "ratings" : [ 5, 8, 9 ] }  
{ "_id" : 7, "type" : "food", "item" : "ccc", "ratings" : [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

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{ "_id" : 7, "type" : "food", "item" : "ccc", "ratings" : [ 9, 5, 8 ] }
```

# Embedded Object Matching (Exact doc Matching)

```
{  
  name: "Joe",  
  address: {  
    city: "San Francisco",  
    state: "CA" },  
  likes: [ 'scuba', 'math', 'literature' ]  
}
```

```
db.persons.find( { "address" : { state: "CA" } }) //don't match
```

```
db.persons.find( { "address" : {city: "San Francisco", state: "CA" } }) // match
```

```
db.persons.find( { "address" : {state: "CA" , city: "San Francisco"}} ) //don't match
```

}  
Exact-match  
(entire object)

# Embedded Object Matching (Field Matching)

```
{  
  name: "Joe",  
  address: {  
    city: "San Francisco",  
    state: "CA" },  
  likes: [ 'scuba', 'math', 'literature' ]  
}
```

Find the user documents where the address's state = 'CA'

```
db.persons.find( {"address.state" : "CA"})
```



Using dot notation

# Try This

```
{  
  name: "Joe",  
  address: {  
    city: "San Francisco",  
    state: "CA" },  
  likes: [ 'scuba', 'math', 'literature' ]  
}
```

Find the user documents where the address's state = 'CA' and City = "San Francisco"

Find the user documents where the address's state = 'CA' Or likes 'Math'

# Matching Arrays of Embedded Documents

```
{
  _id: 100,
  type: "food",
  item: "xyz",
  qty: 25,
  price: 2.5,
  ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "shipping" }, { memo: "approved", by: "billing" } ]
}

{
  _id: 101,
  type: "fruit",
  item: "jkl",
  qty: 10,
  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

Select all documents where the memos array contains in the 1<sup>st</sup> element a document written by 'shipping' department

# Matching Arrays of Embedded Documents

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  qty: 10,
  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

`db.inventory.find( { 'memos.0.by': 'shipping' } )` // Returns 1<sup>st</sup> document

← Means the 1<sup>st</sup> element in the array

# Matching Arrays of Embedded Documents

```
{
  _id: 100,
  type: "food",
  item: "xyz",
  qty: 25,
  price: 2.5,
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  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

Select all documents where the memos array contains a document written by 'shipping' department

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  qty: 10,
  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

`db.inventory.find( { 'memos.by': 'shipping' } )` // Returns both documents

Means any element in the array



# Matching Arrays of Embedded Documents: Multiple Conditions

```
{
  _id: 100,
  type: "food",
  item: "xyz",
  qty: 25,
  price: 2.5,
  ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "shipping" }, { memo: "approved", by: "billing" } ]
}

{
  _id: 101,
  type: "fruit",
  item: "jkl",
  qty: 10,
  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

Select all documents where the memos array contains a document written by 'shipping' department and the content "on time"

# Matching Arrays of Embedded Documents: Multiple Conditions

```
{
  _id: 100,
  type: "food",
  item: "xyz",
  qty: 25,
  price: 2.5,
  ratings: [ 5, 8, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "shipping" }, { memo: "approved", by: "billing" } ]
}

{
  _id: 101,
  type: "fruit",
  item: "jkl",
  qty: 10,
  price: 4.25,
  ratings: [ 5, 9 ],
  memos: [ { memo: "on time", by: "payment" }, { memo: "delayed", by: "shipping" } ]
}
```

```
db.inventory.find(
  {
    memos:
      {
        $elemMatch:
          {
            memo: 'on time',
            by: 'shipping'
          }
      }
  }
)
```

# Query Operators

- <http://docs.mongodb.org/manual/reference/operator/query/>

- Comparison Operators
- Logical Operators
- Element Operators
- Evaluation Operators
- Array Operators
- ...

# Query Operators: Comparison Op

Name	Description
<code>\$eq</code>	Matches values that are equal to a specified value.
<code>\$gt</code>	Matches values that are greater than a specified value.
<code>\$gte</code>	Matches values that are greater than or equal to a specified value.
<code>\$lt</code>	Matches values that are less than a specified value.
<code>\$lte</code>	Matches values that are less than or equal to a specified value.
<code>\$ne</code>	Matches all values that are not equal to a specified value.
<code>\$in</code>	Matches any of the values specified in an array.
<code>\$nin</code>	Matches none of the values specified in an array.

```
db.inventory.find( { qty: { $gte: 20 } } )
```

```
db.inventory.update(  
  { "carrier.fee": { $gte: 2 } },  
  { $set: { price: 9.99 } }  
)
```

# Query Operators: Evaluation Op

Name	Description
<code>\$mod</code>	Performs a modulo operation on the value of a field and selects documents with a specified result.
<code>\$regex</code>	Selects documents where values match a specified regular expression.
<code>\$text</code>	Performs text search.
<code>\$where</code>	Matches documents that satisfy a JavaScript expression.

# \$Where Operator

- Passes a *JavaScript expression or function* to the query system
- Very flexible in expressing complex conditions
- But it is relatively slow as it evaluates for each document (no indexes)
- Similar to using *UDF* in the *Where* clause in relational databases

```
db.myCollection.find( { $where: "this.credits == this.debits" } );  
db.myCollection.find( { $where: "obj.credits == obj.debits" } );  
  
db.myCollection.find( { $where: function() { return (this.credits == this.debits) } });  
db.myCollection.find( { $where: function() { return obj.credits == obj.debits; } } );
```

# \$Where Operator

- Can combine MongoDB operators with \$Where

```
db.myCollection.find( { active: true, $where: "this.credits - this.debits < 0" } );
```

```
db.myCollection.find( { active: true,  
                        $where: function() { return obj.credits - obj.debits < 0; } } );
```

Is this *And* semantics or *Or* semantics ???

# Collection Modeling



# Collection Modeling

- Modeling multiple collections that reference each other
- In Relational DBs → FK-PK Relationships
- In MongoDB, two options
  - Referencing
  - Embedding

# FK-PK in Relational DBs

- Create “Students” relation

```
CREATE TABLE Students
(sid CHAR(20),
 name CHAR(20),
 login CHAR(10),
 age INTEGER,
 gpa REAL);
```

Foreign key

- Create “Courses” relation

```
CREATE TABLE Courses
(cid Varchar2(20),
 name varchar2(50),
 maxCredits integer,
 graduateFlag char(1));
```

Foreign key

- Create “Enrolled” relation

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled
(sid CHAR(20),
 cid Varchar2(20),
 enrollDate date,
 grade CHAR(2));
```

◆ Each tuple in “Enrolled”  
reference a specific student  
and a specific course

# How to Define FK-PK

- Create “Students” relation

```
CREATE TABLE Students
  (sid CHAR(20) Primary Key,
   name CHAR(20),
   login CHAR(10),
   age INTEGER,
   gpa REAL);
```

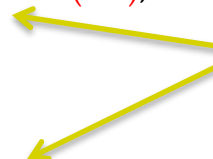
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```
CREATE TABLE Courses
  (cid Varchar2(20) Primary Key,
   name varchar2(50),
   maxCredits integer,
   graduateFlag char(1));
```

- Create “Enrolled” relation

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled
  (sid CHAR(20) Foreign Key References Students (sid),
   X Varchar2(20),
   enrollDate date,
   grade CHAR(2),
  Constraint fk_cid Foreign Key (X) References Courses (cid));
```

Two ways to define the FK constrain while creating a table



# FK-PK in Relational DBs

## It comes with an enforcement mechanism

- Cannot insert a FK for a non-existing PK
- You cannot delete a PK that has a FK

### Enrolled (referencing relation)

sid	cid	grade
53666	Carnatic101	C
53666	Reggae203	B
53650	Topology112	A
53666	History105	B

Foreign Key

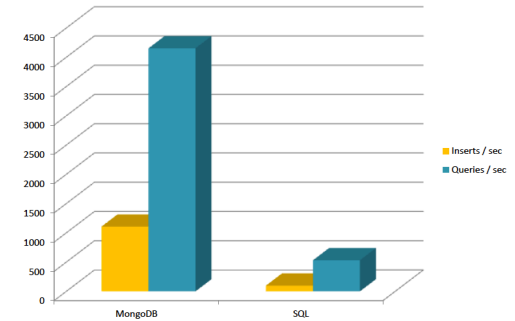
### Students (referenced relation)

sid	name	login	age	gpa
53666	Jones	jones@cs	18	3.4
53688	Smith	smith@eecs	18	3.2
53650	Smith	smith@math	19	3.8

Primary Key

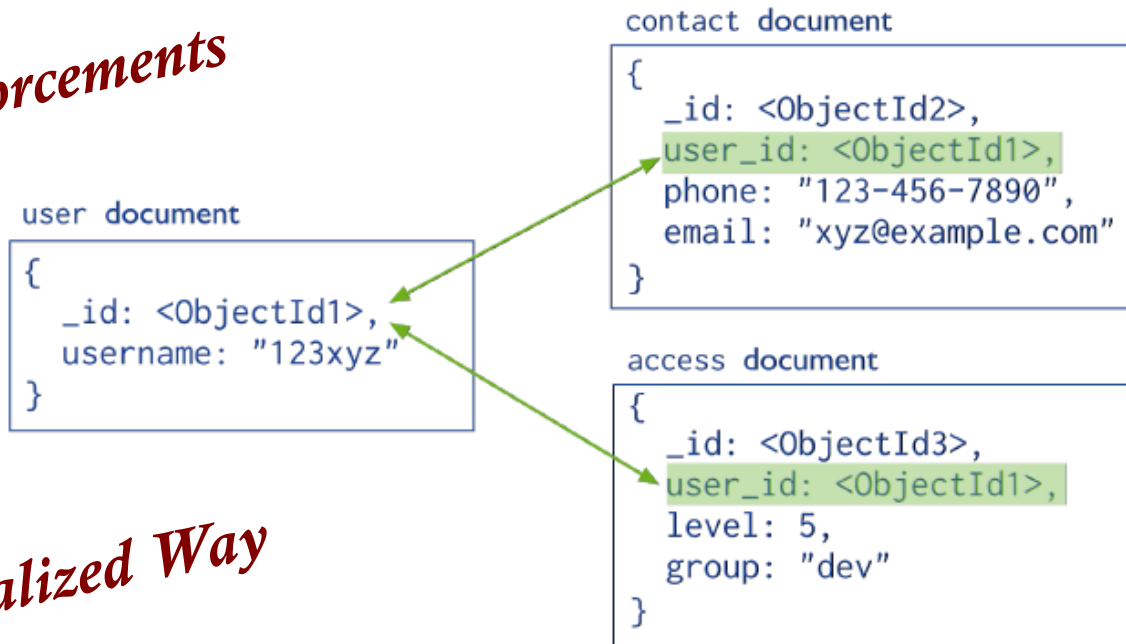
# In MongoDB

- ***Referencing*** between two collections
  - Use Id of one and put in the other
  - Very similar to FK-PK in Relational DBs
  - **Does not come with enforcement mechanism**
- ***Embedding*** between two collections
  - Put the document from one collection inside the other one



# Referencing

*No Enforcements*



*Normalized Way*

- Have three collections in the DB: “User”, “Contact”, “Access”
- Link them by `_id` (or any other field(s))

# Embedding

```
{
  _id: <ObjectId>,
  username: "123xyz",
  contact: {
    phone: "123-456-7890",
    email: "xyz@example.com"
  },
  access: {
    level: 5,
    group: "dev"
  }
}
```

Embedded sub-document

Embedded sub-document

*De-Normalized Way*

- Have one collection in DB: “User”
- The others are embedded inside each user’s document

# Examples (1)

- “Patron” & “Addresses”

```
{  
  _id: "joe",  
  name: "Joe Bookreader"  
}
```

```
{  
  patron_id: "joe",  
  street: "123 Fake Street",  
  city: "Faketon",  
  state: "MA",  
  zip: "12345"  
}
```

*Referencing*

- If it is 1-1 relationship
- If usually read the address with the name
- If address document usually does not expand

**If most of these hold  
→ better use Embedding**



# Examples (2)

- “Patron” & “Addresses”

```
{
  _id: "joe",
  name: "Joe Bookreader",
  address: {
    street: "123 Fake Street",
    city: "Faketon",
    state: "MA",
    zip: "12345"
  }
}
```

*Embedding*

- When you read, you get the entire document at once
- In Referencing → Need to issue multiple queries

# Examples (3)

- What if a “Patron” can have many “Addresses”

```
{
  _id: "joe",
  name: "Joe Bookreader"
}
```

```
{
  patron_id: "joe",
  street: "123 Fake Street",
  city: "Faketon",
  state: "MA",
  zip: "12345"
}
```

*Referencing*

- Do you read them together → Go for Embedding
- Are addresses dynamic (e.g., add new ones frequently)  
→ Go for Referencing

# Examples (4)

- What if a “Patron” can have many “Addresses”

```
{
  _id: "joe",
  name: "Joe Bookreader",
  addresses: [
    {
      street: "123 Fake Street",
      city: "Faketon",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    },
    {
      street: "1 Some Other Street",
      city: "Boston",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    }
  ]
}
```

*Embedding*

Use array of addresses

# Examples (5)

- If addresses are added frequently ...

```
{
  _id: "joe",
  name: "Joe Bookreader",
  addresses: [
    {
      street: "123 Fake Street",
      city: "Faketon",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    },
    {
      street: "1 Some Other Street",
      city: "Boston",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    }
  ]
}
```

This array will expand frequently



Size of "Patron" document increases frequently



May trigger re-locating the document each time (*Bad*)

# Document Size and Storage

- Each document needs to be contiguous on disk
- If doc size increases → Document location must change
- If doc location changes → Indexes must be updated → leads to more expensive updates

```
{
  _id: "joe",
  name: "Joe Bookreader",
  addresses: [
    {
      street: "123 Fake Street",
      city: "Faketon",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    },
    {
      street: "1 Some Other Street",
      city: "Boston",
      state: "MA",
      zip: "12345"
    }
  ]
}
```

- In a newer version, each document is allocated a *power-of-2 bytes* (the smallest above its size)
- Meaning, the system keeps some space empty for possible expansion

# Examples (6)

- **One-to-Many “Book”, “Publisher”**

- A book has one publisher
- A publisher publishes many books

*Referencing is better  
in this case*

- **If embed “Publisher” inside “Book”**

- Repeating publisher info inside each of its books
- Very hard to update publisher’s info

- **If embed “Book” inside “Publisher”**

- Book becomes an array (many)
- Frequently update and increases in size

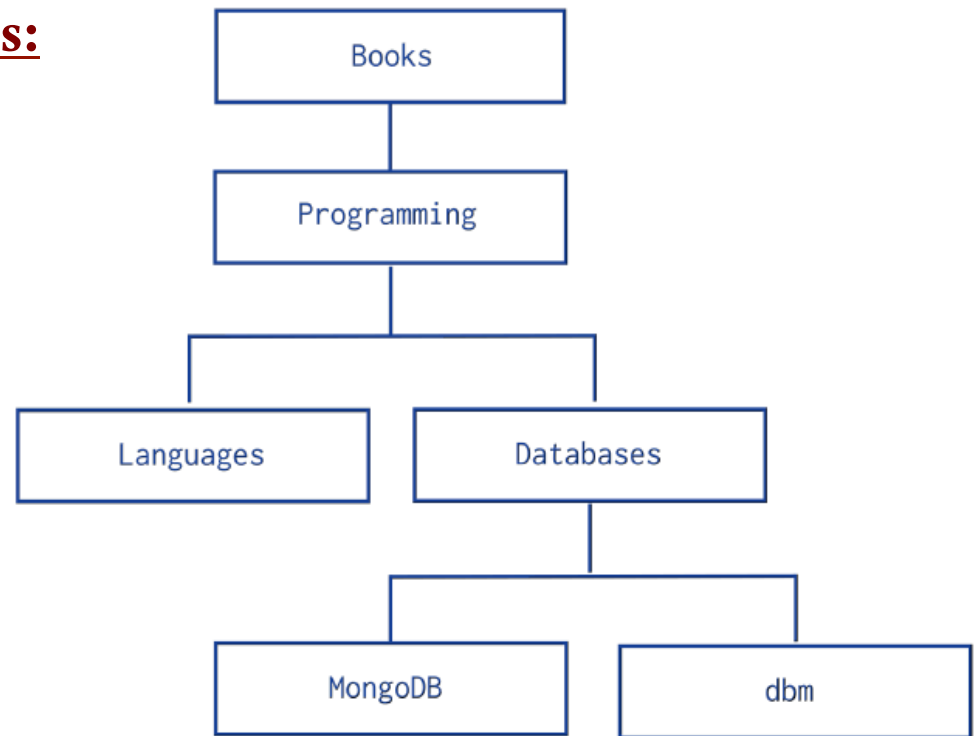
# Modeling Tree Structure

# Collections with Tree-Like Relationships

- Insert these records while maintaining this tree-like relationship

## Given one node, answer queries:

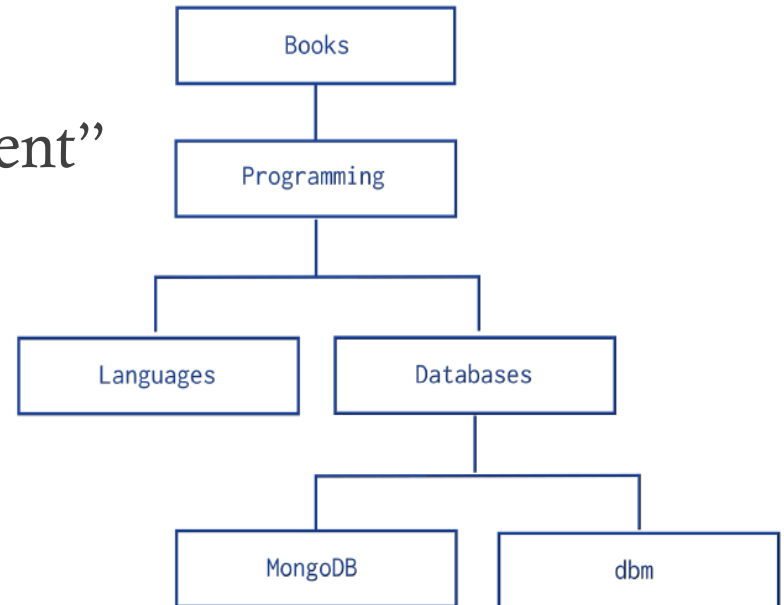
- Report the parent node
- Report the children nodes
- Report the ancestors
- Report the descendants
- Report the siblings





# Method 1: Parent References

- Each document has a field “parent”
- Order does not matter



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", parent: "Books" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", parent: null } )
```

# Method 1: Parent References

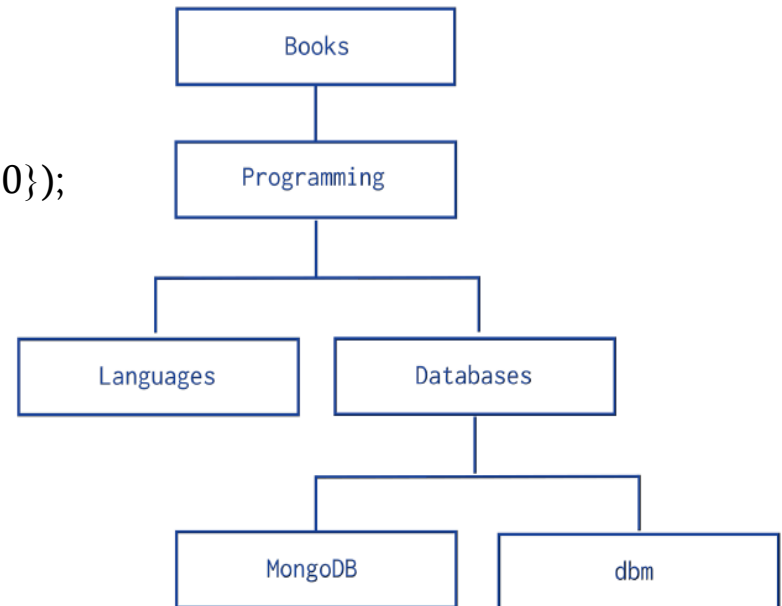
## Q1: Parent of “Programming”

```
db.categories.find( { _id: "Programming" }, { parent: 1, _id: 0 });
```

## Q2: Siblings of “Databases”

```
var parentDoc = db.categories.find( { _id: "Databases" });
```

```
db.categories.find( { parent: parentDoc._id,  
  _id: { $ne : "Databases" }  });
```

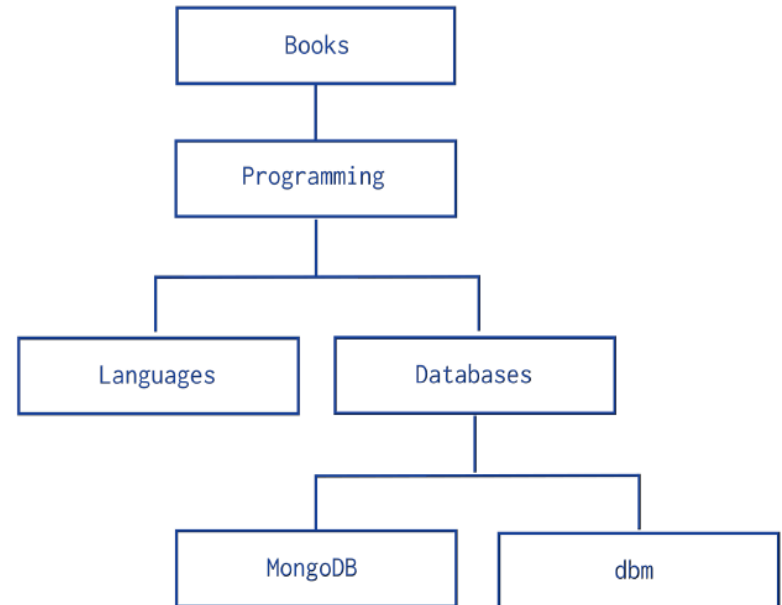


```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", parent: "Databases" } )  
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", parent: "Databases" } )  
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", parent: "Programming" } )  
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", parent: "Programming" } )  
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", parent: "Books" } )  
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", parent: null } )
```

# Method 1: Parent References

## Q3: Descendants of “Programming”

Complex...Requires recursive calls



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", parent: "Books" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", parent: null } )
```

# Method 1: Parent References

## Q3: Descendants of “Programming”

```
var descendants = [];  
var stack = [];  
var item = db.categories.find({_id: "Programming"});  
stack.push(item);  
while (stack.length > 0) {  
  var current = stack.pop();  
  var children = db.categories.find( {parent: current._id});  
  while (children.hasNext() == true) {  
    var child = children.next();  
    descendants.push(child._id);  
    stack.push(child);  
  }  
}  
descendants;
```

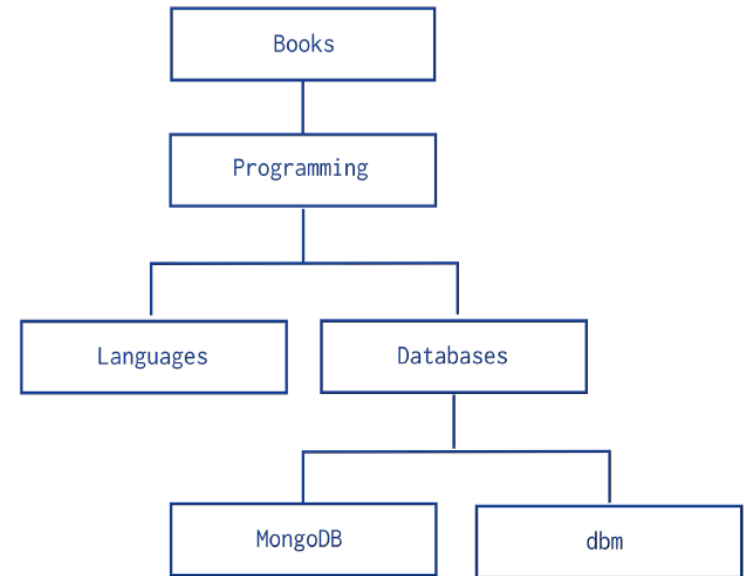
# Method 1: Parent References

## Q4: Ancestors of “MongoDB”

Try it yourself....

Should be:

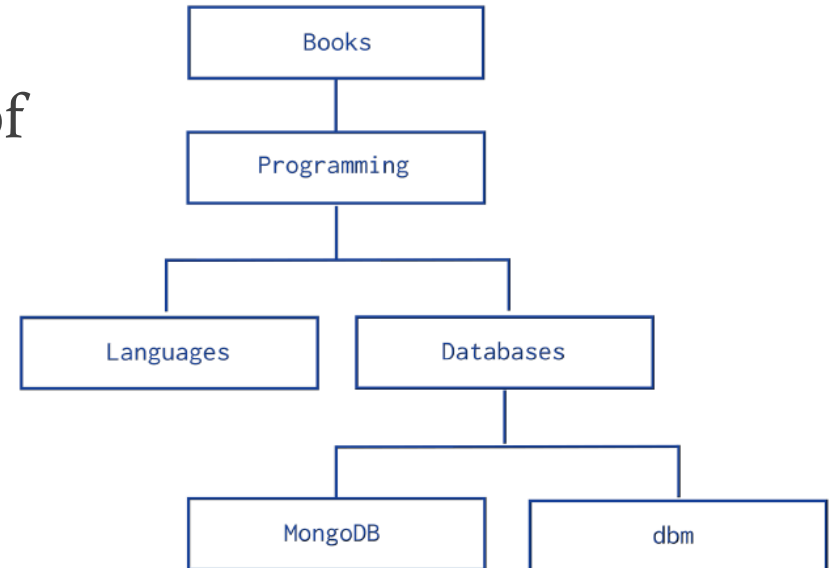
“Databases”, “Programming”,  
“Books”



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", parent: "Databases" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", parent: "Programming" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", parent: "Books" } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", parent: null } )
```

# Method 2: Child References

- Each document has an array of immediate children



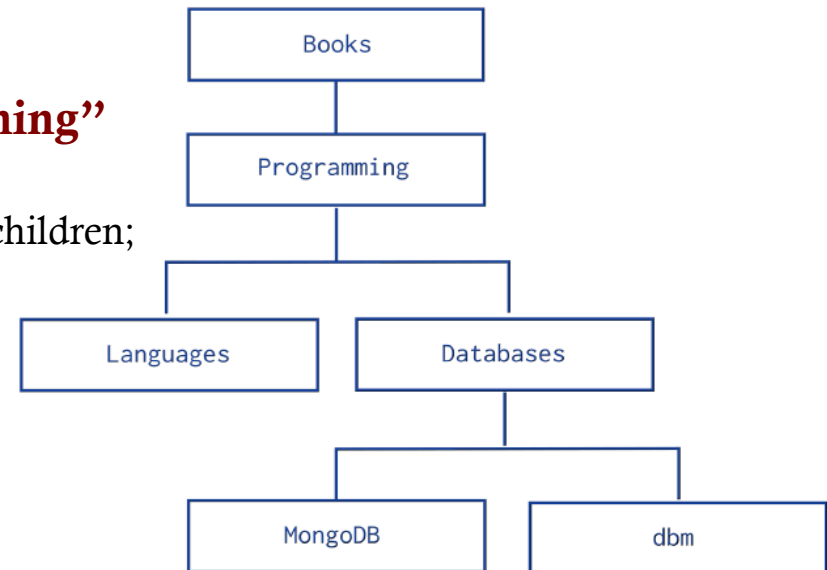
```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", children: [ "MongoDB", "dbm" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", children: [ "Databases", "Languages" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", children: [ "Programming" ] } )
```

# Method 2: Child References

## Q1: Get children documents of “Programming”

```
var x = db.categories.findOne({_id: "Programming"}).children;
```

```
db.categories.find({_id: {$in: x}});
```



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", children: [] } )
```

```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", children: [] } )
```

```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", children: [ "MongoDB", "dbm" ] } )
```

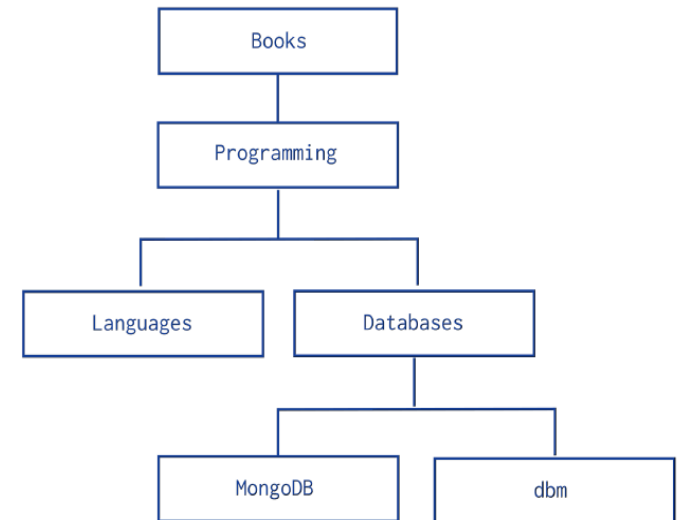
```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", children: [] } )
```

```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", children: [ "Databases", "Languages" ] } )
```

```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", children: [ "Programming" ] } )
```

# Method 2: Child References

## Q2: Ancestors of “MongoDB”



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", children: [ "MongoDB", "dbm" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", children: [ "Databases", "Languages" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", children: [ "Programming" ] } )
```



# Method 2: Child References

## Q2: Ancestors of “MongoDB”

```
var results=[];
var parent = db.categories.findOne({children: "MongoDB"});
while(parent){
    print({Message: "Going up one level..."});
    results.push(parent._id);
    parent = db.categories.findOne({children: parent._id});
}

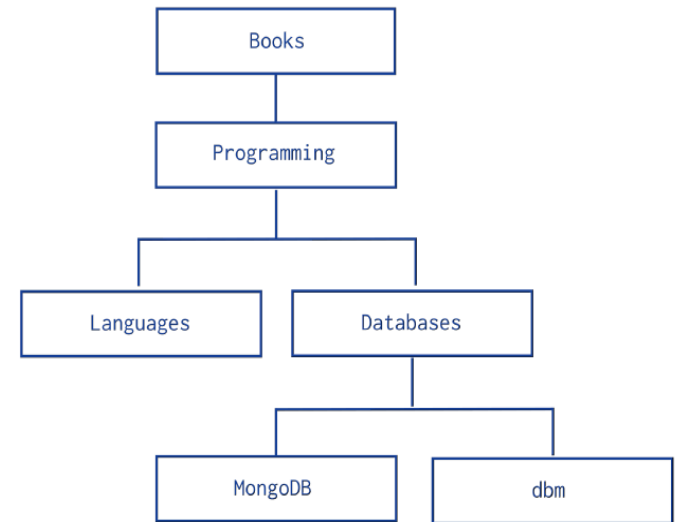
results;
```

# Method 2: Child References

## Q3: descendants of “Books”

Try it yourself....

Should be all nodes



```
db.categories.insert( { _id: "MongoDB", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "dbm", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Databases", children: [ "MongoDB", "dbm" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Languages", children: [] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Programming", children: [ "Databases", "Languages" ] } )
db.categories.insert( { _id: "Books", children: [ "Programming" ] } )
```

# Other Methods

- **Several other methods:**
  - Include both parent and children
  - Include Ancestors
  - Include root-to-node path



Check MongoDB manual...