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Thinking in Documents

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Agenda

- What is NoSQL?
- Flexible Data Model
- MongoDB Schema Design

What is NoSQL?





What is NoSQL?

- NoSQL encompasses a wide variety of different database technologies that were developed in response to the demands presented in building modern applications:
- New modern applications demand:
 - Massive volumes of new, rapidly changing data
 - Structured, semi-structured, unstructured and polymorphic data types
 - Agile development methodologies
 - High Availability
 - High Scalability



NoSQL Database Types

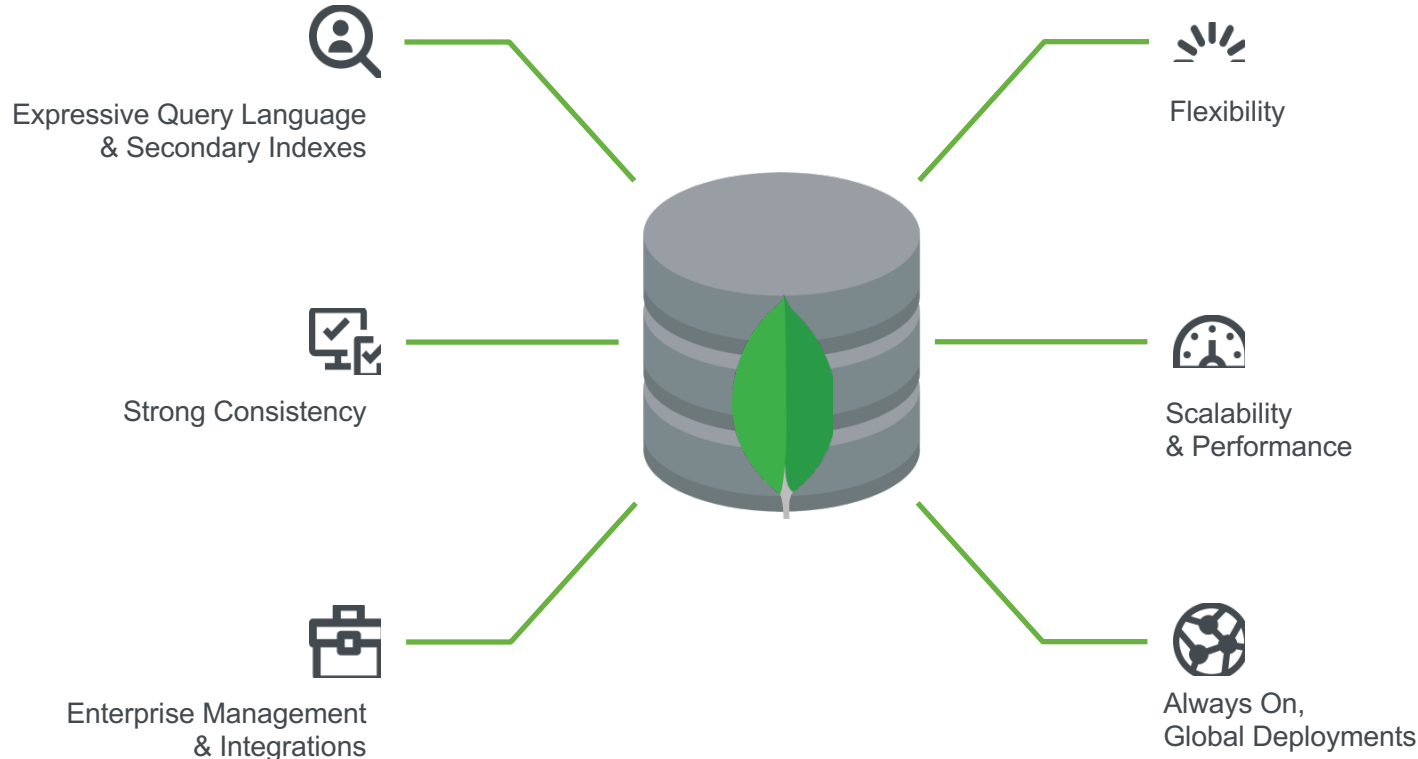
- **Key-Value store**
 - The simplest NoSQL databases (key : value)
 - Riak & Berkeley DB
- **Graph store**
 - Used to store information about networks of data, such as social connections
 - Neo4J & Giraph
- **Wide-column store**
 - Queries over large datasets, and store columns of data together, instead of rows
 - Ejemplos: Cassandra y HBase
- **Document store**
 - Pair each key with a complex data structure known as a document
 - MongoDB y Couchbase



The Benefits of NoSQL

- When compared to relational databases, NoSQL databases are more scalable and provide superior performance
- Their data model addresses several issues that the relational model is not designed to address:
 - Large volumes of rapidly changing structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data
 - Agile sprints, quick schema iteration, and frequent code pushes
 - Object-oriented programming that is easy to use and flexible
 - Geographically distributed scale-out architecture instead of expensive, monolithic architecture

MongoDB - Nexus Architecture



Flexible Data Model



Object: Car



Properties:

Make

Model

Year

Doors (count)

Color

Wheels

Tires

Options:

Engine:

Cylinders (count)

Valves (count)

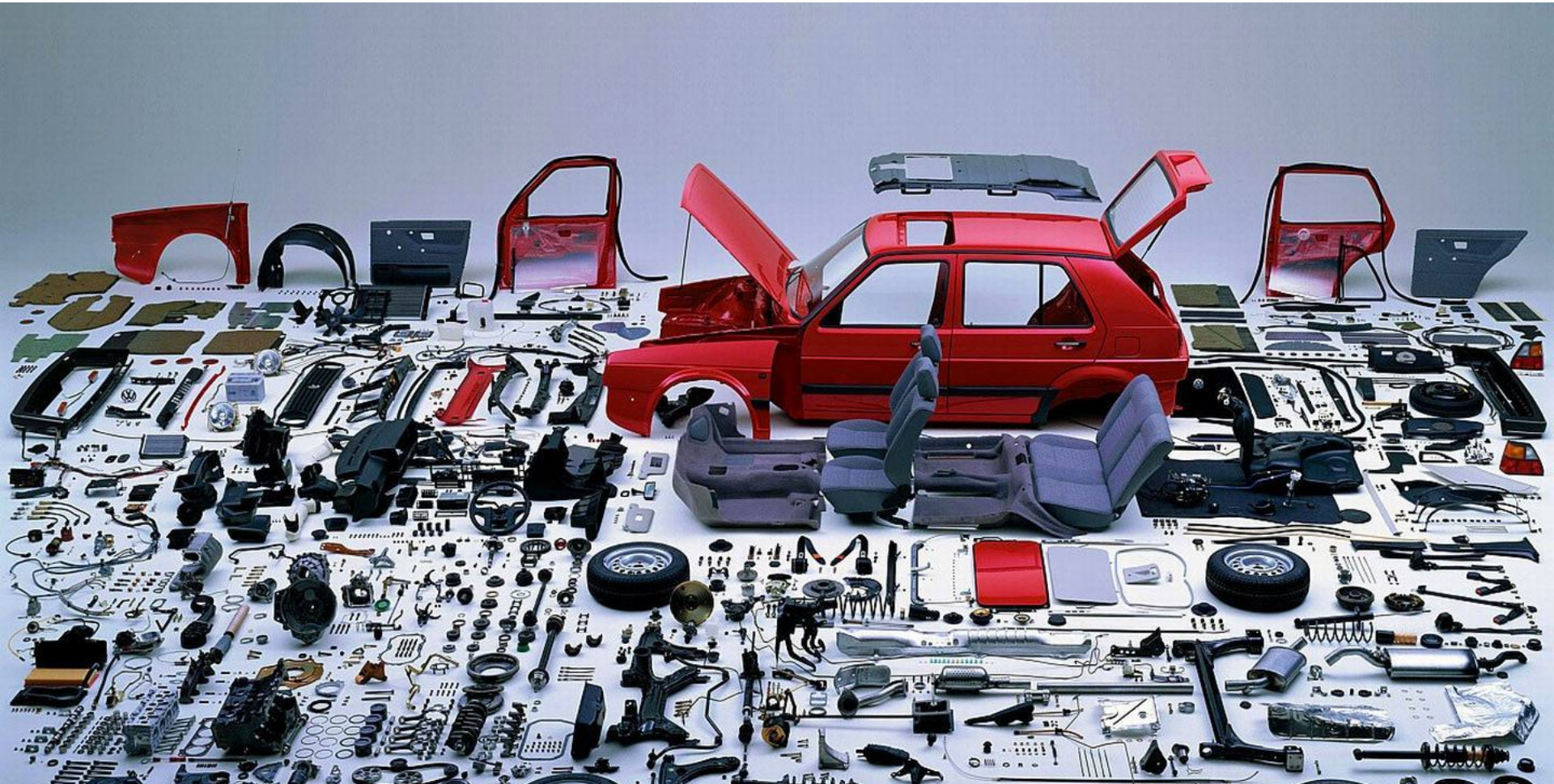
CI/Liters

Transmission

Exhaust

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Impedance Mismatch



Terminology

RDBMS	MongoDB
Database	Database
Table	Collection
Index	Index
Row	Document
Column	Field
Join	Embedding & Linking

Document Model

MongoDB

RDBMS

PERSON

Pers_ID	Surname	First_Name	City
0	Miller	Paul	London
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3	Blanc	Gaston	Paris
4	Bertolini	Fabrizio	Rome

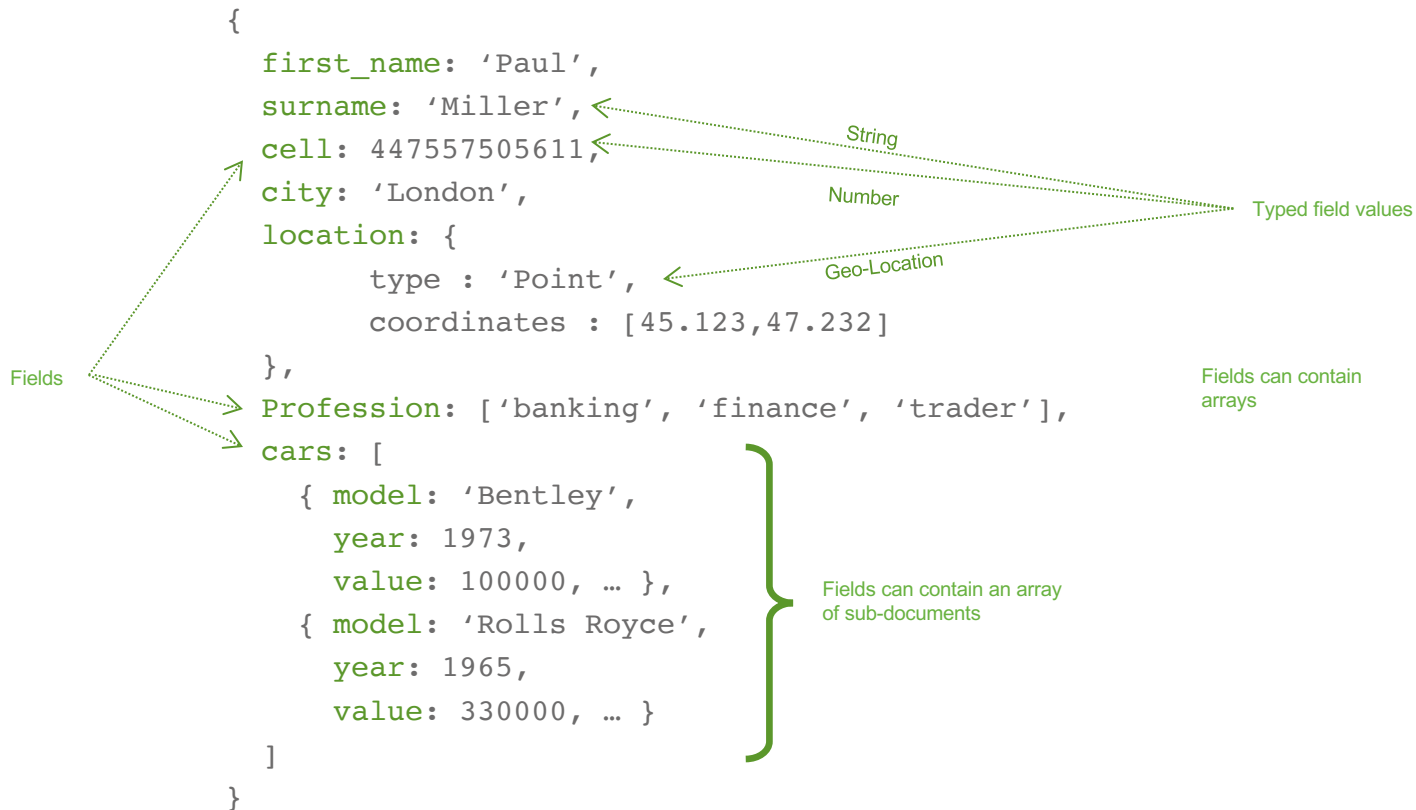
CAR

Car_ID	Model	Year	Value	Pers_ID
101	Bentley	1973	100000	0
102	Rolls Royce	1965	330000	0
103	Peugeot	1993	500	3
104	Ferrari	2005	150000	4
105	Renault	1998	2000	3
106	Renault	2001	7000	3
107	Smart	1999	2000	2

NO RELATION

```
{
  first_name: 'Paul',
  surname: 'Miller',
  city: 'London',
  location: {
    type: 'Point',
    coordinates: [45.123, 47.232]
  },
  cars: [
    { model: 'Bentley',
      year: 1973,
      value: 100000, ... },
    { model: 'Rolls Royce',
      year: 1965,
      value: 330000, ... }
  ]
}
```

Documents are Rich Data Structures





MongoDB really speaks JSON

- From the very first version it was a native JSON database
- Understands and can index the sub-structures
- Stores JSON as an serialized binary format called BSON
- Efficient for encoding and decoding for network transmission
- MongoDB can create indexes on any document field

Documents are Flexible

Documents in the same product catalog collection in MongoDB

```
{
  product_name: 'Acme Paint',
  color: ['Red', 'Green'],
  size_oz: [8, 32],
  finish: ['satin', 'eggshell']
}
```

```
{
  product_name: 'T-shirt',
  size: ['S', 'M', 'L', 'XL'],
  color: ['Heather Gray' ... ],
  material: '100% cotton',
  wash: 'cold',
  dry: 'tumble dry low'
}
```

```
{
  product_name: 'Mountain Bike',
  brake_style: 'mechanical disc',
  color: 'grey',
  frame_material: 'aluminum',
  no_speeds: 21,
  package_height: '7.5x32.9x55',
  weight_lbs: 44.05,
  suspension_type: 'dual',
  wheel_size_in: 26
}
```

Drivers & Frameworks



MEAN Stack

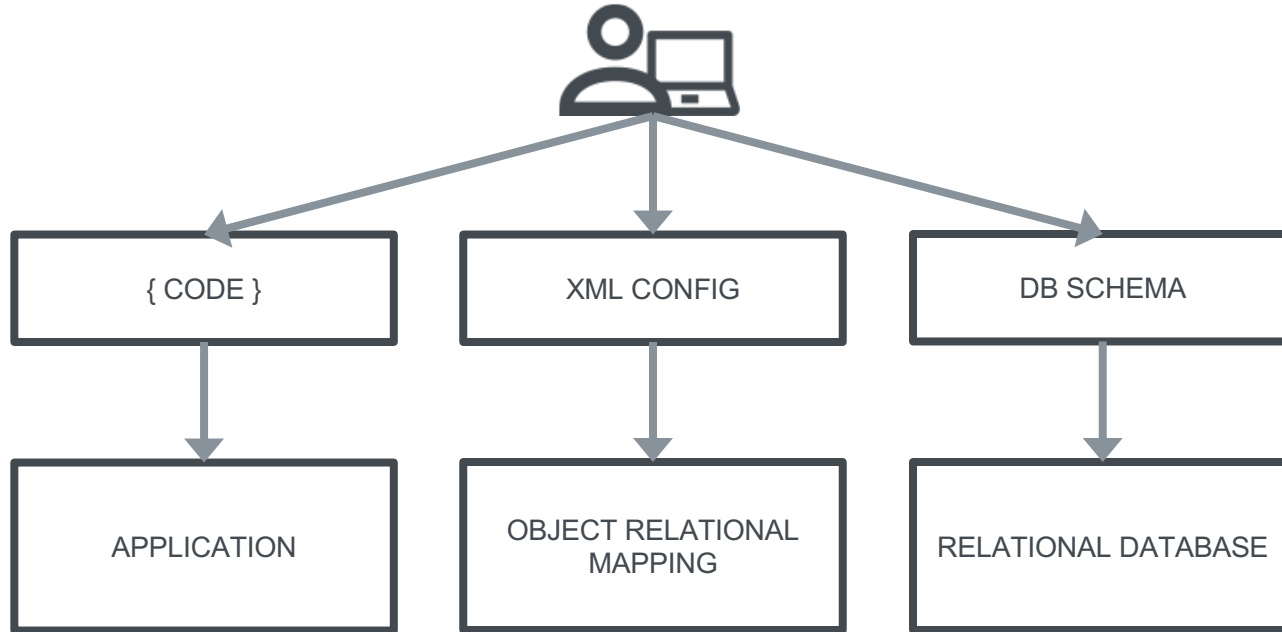


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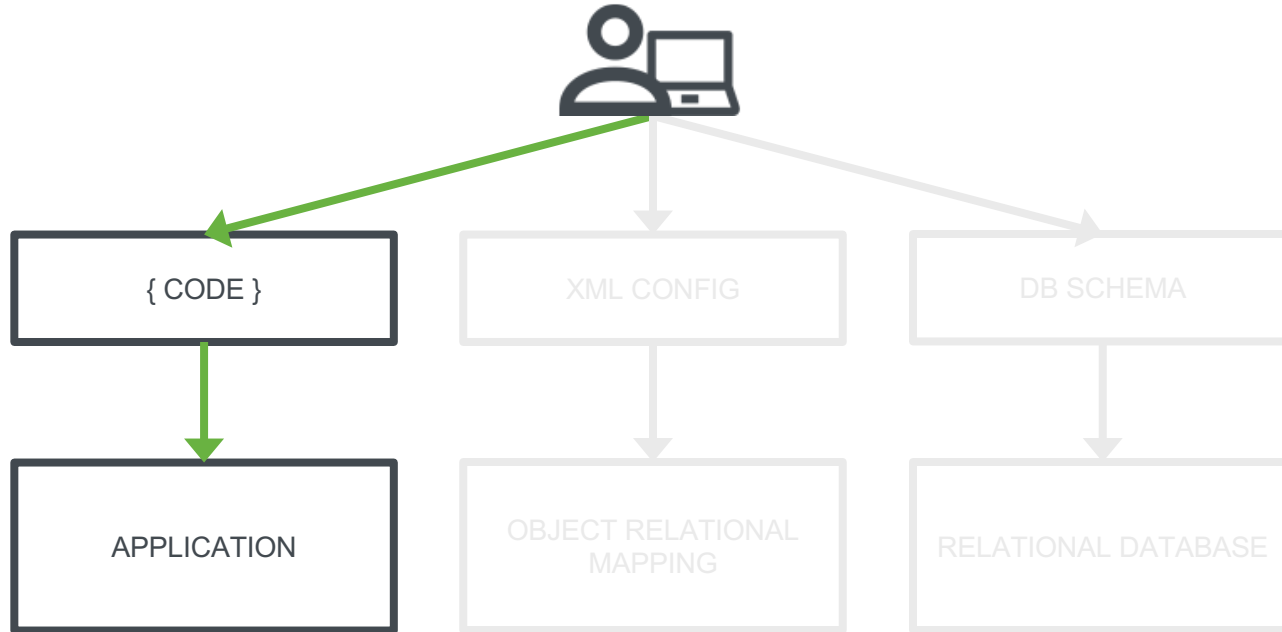
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Morphia

Development – The Past



Development – With MongoDB



MongoDB 3.4 - Multi-Model

Document

Rich JSON Data Structures
Flexible Schema
Global Scale

Relational

Left-Outer Join
Views
Schema Validation

Key/Value

Horizontal Scale
In-Memory

mongoDB®



Graph

Graph & Hierarchical
Recursive Lookups

Search

Text Search
Multiple Languages
Faceted Search

GeoSpatial

GeoJSON
2D & 2DSphere

Binaries

Files & Metadata
Encrypted

MongoDB Schema Design



Theme #1:
Great Data Design involves
much more than the
database

Theme #2:

**Today's solutions need to
accommodate tomorrow's
needs**

Theme #3:
MongoDB offers you
choice

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Join	Embedding & Linking

What is a Document?

```
{
  id: "123",
  title: "MongoDB: The Definitive Guide",
  authors: [
    { _id: "kchodorow", name: "Kristina
Chodorow" },
    { _id: "mdirold", name: "Mike Dirolf" }
  ],
  published_date: ISODate("2010-09-24"),
  pages: 216,
  language: "English",
  thumbnail: BinData(0,"AREhMQ=="),
  publisher: {
    name: "O'Reilly Media",
    founded: 1980,
    locations: ["CA", "NY" ]
  }
}
```

Documents Map to Language Constructs

```
// Java: maps
DBObject query = new
BasicDBObject("publisher.founded", 1980));
Map m = collection.findOne(query);
Date pubDate = (Date)m.get("published_date"); //
java.util.Date
```

```
// Javascript: objects
m = collection.findOne({"publisher.founded" :
1980});
pubDate = m.published_date; // ISODate
year = pubDate.getUTCFullYear();
```

```
# Python: dictionaries
m = coll.find_one({"publisher.founded" : 1980 });
pubDate = m["pubDate"].year # datetime.datetime
```

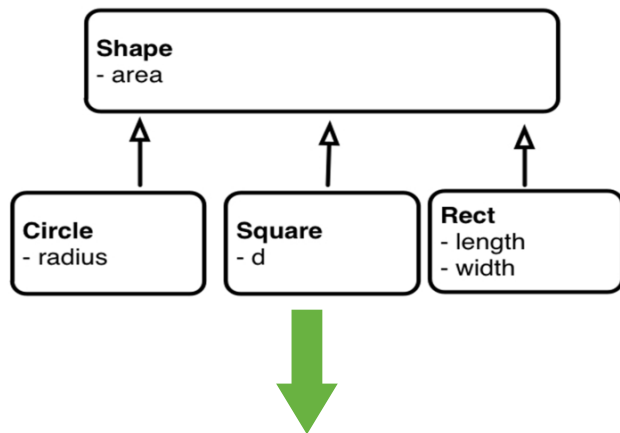
Traditional Data Design

- **Static, Uniform Scalar Data**
- **Rectangles**
- **Low-level, physical representation**

Document Data Design

- Flexible, Rich Shapes
- Objects
- Higher-level, business representation

Things are **not** always relational



id	type	area	radius	d	length	width
1	circle	3.14	1	2		
2	square	4			2	
3	rect	10			5	2

- Single Table Inheritance
 - Ver imagen
 - Un “kludge”
-
- Class Table Inheritance
 - Pesadilla de consultas
 - SQL UNIONs complejos
-
- Blobs
 - Can’t query into
 - No indexing of secondary attributes



When to use MongoDB vs. RDBMS

Datos

- ☐ Variables o semi-estructurados
- ☐ Jerarquías
- ☐ Coordenadas geo-espaciales
- ☐ Fuentes separadas
- ☐ Constante cambio de esquemas

Consultas

- ☐ Análisis y agregaciones en tiempo real
- ☐ Por ubicación
- ☐ Menor latencia
- ☐ Respuesta de tiempo / experiencia del usuario
- ☐ Relaciones conocidas entre entidades / colecciones
- ☐ Lecturas y escrituras locales o globales

Otros aspectos

- ☐ Desarrollo ágil
- ☐ Crecimiento rápido
- ☐ Alto rendimiento
- ☐ Disponibilidad (~99.999%)
- ☐ Mejorar TTM
- ☐ TCO más bajo
- ☐ Infraestructura de nube
- ☐ Retos con el uso de RDBMS

Model Your Data The Way You Use It

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}
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Number

String

Geo-Coordinates

Typed field values

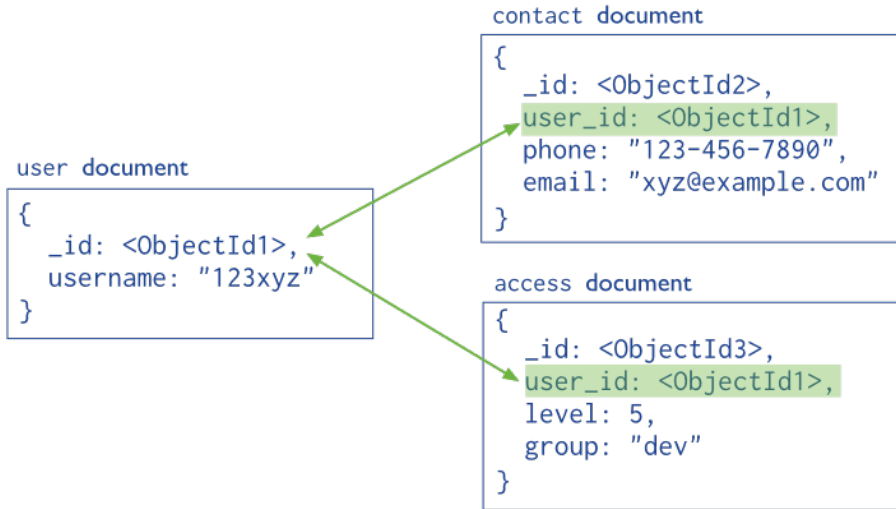
Fields can contain an array of sub-documents

1-to-Many relationships

ORM Layer removed – Data is already an object!

Model Your Data The Way You Use It

Referencing



Embedding





Modeling and Cardinality

- One to One
 - Author to blog post
- One to Many
 - Blog post to comments
- One to Millions
 - Blog post to site views (e.g. Huffington Post)



One To One Relationships

- “Belongs to” relationships are often embedded
- Holistic representation of entities with their embedded attributes and relationships.
- Great read performance

Most important:

- **Keeps simple things simple**
- **Frees up time to tackle harder schema issues**

One To One Relationships

```
{  
  "title" : "This is a blog post",  
  "author" : {  
    name : "Alejandro Mancilla",  
    login : "alejandro.mancilla@mongodb.com",  
  },  
  ...  
}
```

We can index on "title" and "author.login".

One to Many - Embedding

```
{
  "_id"      : ObjectId( "zzzz" ),
  "Title"    : "A Blog Title",
  "Body"     : "A blog post",
  "comments" : [{
    name      : "Juan Perez",
    email     : "jperez@mongodb.com",
    comment   : "I love your writing style",
  },
  {
    name      : "Pedro Sanchez",
    email     : "psanchez@mongodb.com",
    comment   : "I hate your writing style",
  }
]
```

Where we expect a small number of sub-documents we can embed them in the main document



Key Concerns

- ***What are the write patterns?***
 - Comments are added more frequently than posts
 - Comments may have images, tags, large bodies of text
- ***What are the read patterns?***
 - Comments may not be displayed
 - May be shown in their own window
 - People rarely look at all the comments

One to Many – Linking I

- Keep all comments in a separate comments collection
- Add references to posts IDs
- Requires two queries to display blog post and associated comments

```
{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "Title"    : "A Blog Title",
  "Body"     : "A blog post"
}

{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "Title"    : "Another Blog Title",
  "Body"     : "Another blog post",
}
```

```
{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "AAAA" ),
  "post_id"  : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "name"     : "Juan Amores",
  "email"    : "jamores@mongodb.com",
  "comment"  : "I love your writing style",
}

{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "AAAB" ),
  "post_id"  : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "name"     : "Pedro Vibora",
  "email"    : "pvivora@mongodb.com",
  "comment"  : "I hate your writing style",
}
```

One to Many – Linking II

- Keep all comments in a separate comments collection
- Add references to comments as an array of comment IDs
- Requires two queries to display blog post and associated comments

```
{
  • Requires two writes to create a comments {
    "_id"      : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
    "Title"    : "A Blog Title",
    "Body"     : "A blog post",
    "comments" : [ ObjectID( "AAAA" ),
                  ObjectID( "AAAB" ) ]
  }
}

{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "Title"    : "A Blog Title",
  "Body"     : "A blog post",
  "comments" : []
}

{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "AAAA" ),
  "name"     : "Joe Drumgoole",
  "email"    : "Joe.Drumgoole@mongodb.com",
  "comment"  : "I love your writing style",
}

{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "AAAB" ),
  "name"     : "John Smith",
  "email"    : "Joe.Drumgoole@mongodb.com",
  "comment"  : "I hate your writing style",
}
```

One To Many – Hybrid Approach

```
{
  _id      : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  Title    : "A Blog Title",
  Body     : "A blog post",
  last_comments : [{
    _id    : ObjectID( "AAAA" )
    name   : "Juan Perez",      comment
:"I love your writing style",
  },
  {
    _id    : ObjectID( "AAB" ),
    name   : "Pedro Sanchez",
    comment : "I hate your writing
style",
  }]
}
```

```
{
  "_id"      : ObjectID( "AAAA" ),
  "post_id"  : ObjectID( "ZZZZ" ),
  "name"     : "Juan Perez",
  "email"    : "jperez@mongodb.com",
  "comment"  : "I love your writing
style",
}
{...},{...},{...},{...},{...},{...}
,{...},{...},{...},{...} ]
```

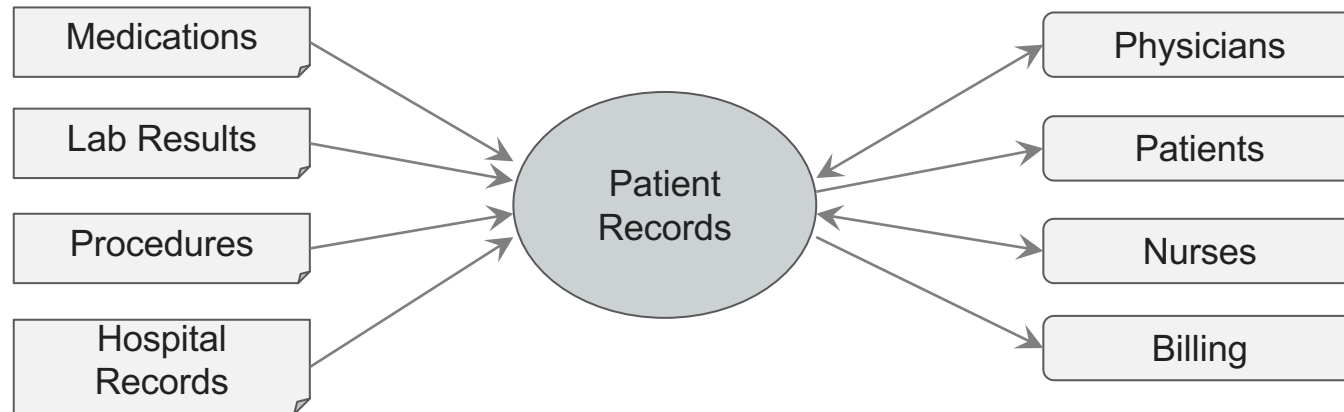


Linking vs. Embedding

- Embedding
 - Terrific for read performance
 - Webapp “front pages” and pre-aggregated material
 - Writes can be slow
 - Data integrity needs to be managed
- Linking
 - Flexible
 - Data integrity is built-in
 - Work is done during reads

Medical Records

- Collects all patient information in a central repository
- Provide central point of access for
 - Patients
 - Care providers: physicians, nurses, etc.
 - Billing
 - Insurance reconciliation
- Hospitals, physicians, patients, procedures, records

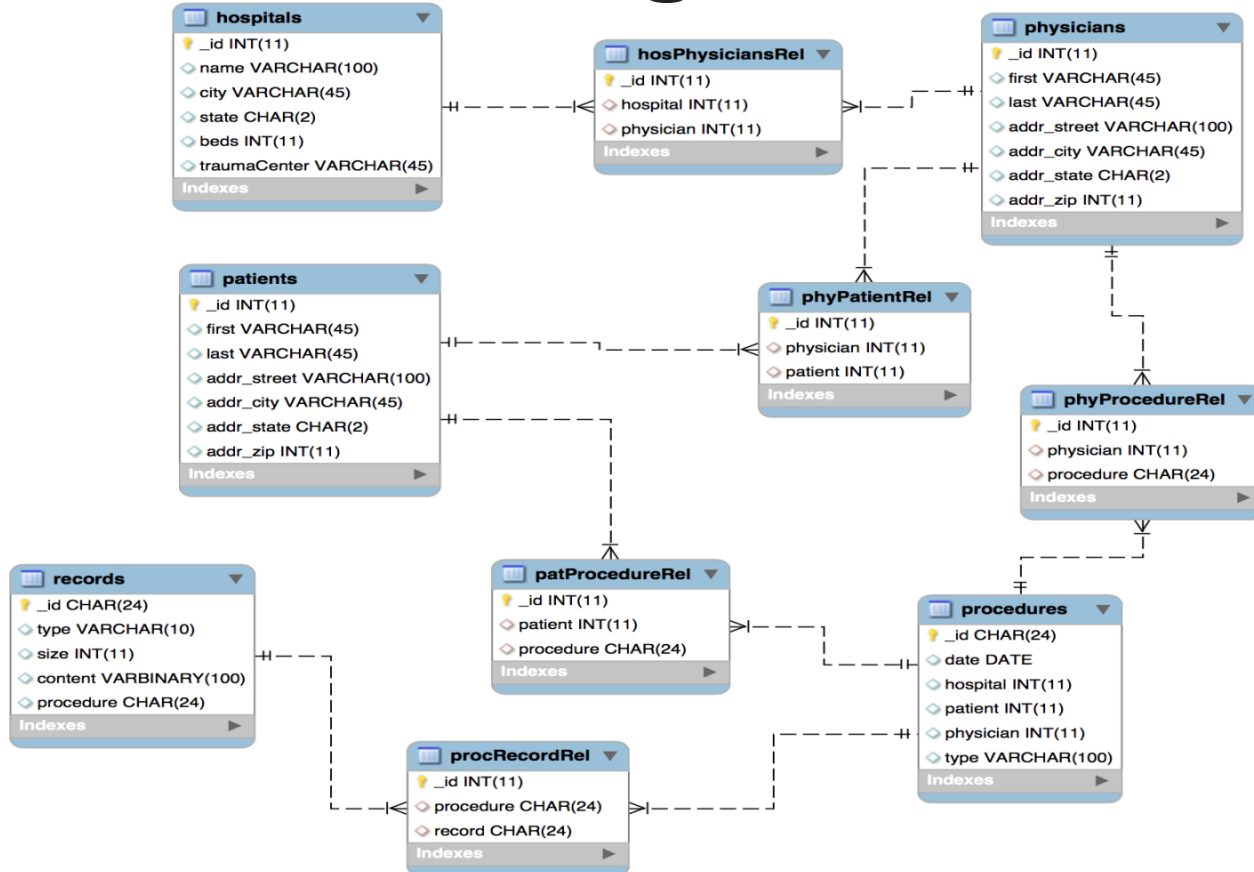




Medical Record Data

- **Hospitals**
 - have physicians
- **Physicians**
 - Have patients
 - Perform procedures
 - Belong to hospitals
- **Patients**
 - Have physicians
 - Are the subject of procedures
- **Procedures**
 - Associated with a patient
 - Associated with a physician
 - Have a record
 - Variable meta data
- **Records**
 - Associated with a procedure
 - Binary data
 - Variable fields

Relational Starting Point





Schema Design

- Relational schema is typically not a good fit for MongoDB's document model
- Leverage document model to gain
 - Agility
 - Scalability
 - Performance
- Denormalized schema
 - Query workload will determine best schema
 - Document schema should contain all related information to:
 - Avoid application-level “joins”
 - Leverage atomicity of document updates

MongoDB Schema Design in 2 Slides

Relationships modeled in 2 possible ways

Embed

Patients

```
{
  _id: 2,
  first: "Joe",
  last: "Patient",
  addr: { ...},
  procedures: [
    {
      id: 12345,
      date: 2015-02-15,
      type: "Cat scan",
      ...},
    {
      id: 12346,
      date: 2015-02-15,
      type: "blood test",
      ...}]
}
```

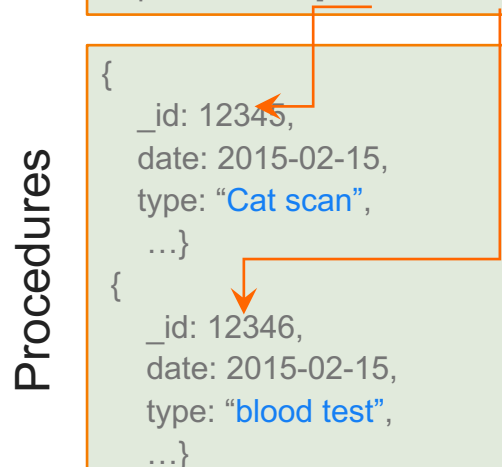
Reference

Patients

```
{
  _id: 2,
  first: "Joe",
  last: "Patient",
  addr: { ...},
  procedures: [12345, 12346]}
```

Procedures

```
{
  _id: 12345,
  date: 2015-02-15,
  type: "Cat scan",
  ...}
{
  _id: 12346,
  date: 2015-02-15,
  type: "blood test",
  ...}
```

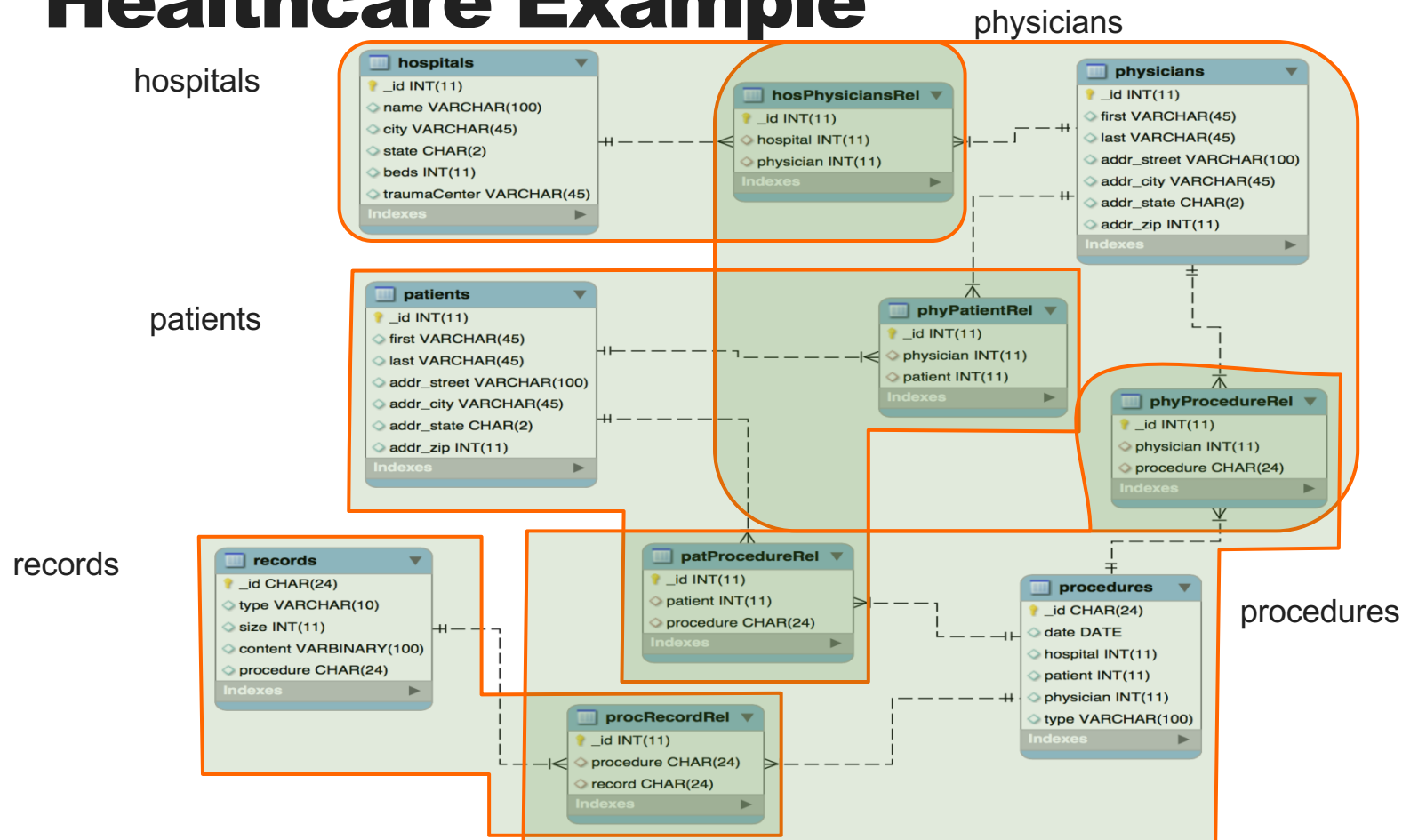


Relationships

Relationship	Modeling approach
1 to 1	Typically embed
1 to Many	Often embed
Many to Many	?

- Embedding is preferred
 - A single query returns all relevant data
 - Related information can be updated in an atomic operation
- Query workload determines the best approach
 - Performance
 - “transactions”
- Hybrids approaches often make sense too
 - Embed some of the data
 - Reference the rest

Healthcare Example



Healthcare Schema Design (cont.)

Patient

Procedure

```
{
  "_id" : 593340651,
  "first" : "Gregorio",
  "last" : "Lang",
  "addr" : {
    "street" : "623 Flowers Rd",
    "city" : "Groton",
    "state" : "NH",
    "zip" : 3266
  },
  "physicians" : [10387, 33456],
  "procedures" : ["551ac", "343fs"]
}
```

```
{
  "_id" : "551ac",
  "date" : "2000-04-26",
  "hospital" : 161,
  "patient" : 593340651,
  "physician" : 10387,
  "type" : "Chest X-ray",
  "records" : [ "67bc6" ]
}
```

Healthcare Schema Design (cont.)

Patient

```
{
  "_id" : 593340651,
  "first" : "Gregorio",
  "last" : "Lang",
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    "street" : "623 Flowers Rd",
    "city" : "Groton",
    "state" : "NH",
    "zip" : 3266
  },
  "physicians" : [10387, 33456],
  "procedures" : [
    {id : "551ac",
     type : "Chest X-ray"},
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     type : "Blood Test"}]
}
```

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{
  "_id" : "551ac",
  "date" : "2000-04-26",
  "hospital" : 161,
  "patient" : 593340651,
  "physician" : 10387,
  "type" : "Chest X-ray",
  "records" : [ "67bc6" ]
}
```

*Find all patients from NH that
have had chest x-rays*

Let's do crazy things!

- What is we were tracking mouse position for heat tracking?
 - Each user will generate hundreds of data points per visit
 - Thousands of data points per post
 - Millions of data points per blog site

- Relational-like model

- Store a blog ID per event
- Be polymorphic, my friend!

```
{
  "post_id"    : ObjectID("ZZZZ"),
  "timestamp"  : ISODate("2005-01-02T16:35:24Z"),
  "event"      : {
                    type: click,
                    position : [240, 345]} }

{
  "post_id"    : ObjectID("ZZZZ"),
  "timestamp"  : ISODate("2005-01-02T16:35:24Z"),
  "event"      : {
                    type: close}
}
```

What if we use the structure?

```
{
  post_id    : ObjectID ( "ZZZZ" ),
  cookie_id  : "R34oitwrFWt945tw34t4569tiwemrti",
  timeStamp  : ISODate("2005-01-02T16:00:00Z"),
  events : {
    0 : { 0 : { event }, 1 : { event }, ... 59: { event }},
    1 : { 0 : { event }, 1 : { event }, ... 59: { event }},
    2 : { 0 : { event }, 1 : { event }, ... 59: { event }},
    3 : { 0 : { event }, 1 : { event }, ... 59: { event }},
    ...
    59 : { 0 : { event }, 1 : { event }, ... 59: { event }}
  }
}
```

What if we build buckets?

```
{  
  post_id : ObjectID ( "ZZZZ" ),  
  cookie_id : "R34oitwrFWt945tw34t4569tiwemrti",  
  count : 98,  
  events : [ { event }, { event }, { event } ... ]  
}
```



Summary

- Schema design is different in MongoDB
 - But basic data design principles stay the same
- Focus on how an application accesses/manipulates data
- Seek out and capture belongs-to 1:1 relationships
- Don't get stuck in "one record" per item thinking
 - Embrace the hierarchy and think about cardinality
- Evolve the schema to meet requirements as they change
- Be polymorphic!
- Document updates are transactions
- Use validation in your advantage

¿Preguntas?

