Introduction Non Relational DBs

> There’s lots of available datasets but data can be in nasty forms… Data needs to be in a form that is easy to access and use.

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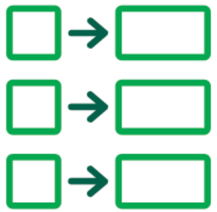
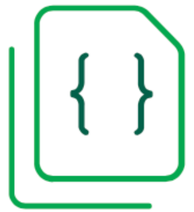
Non-Relational Databases



Key/Value

Graph

Column



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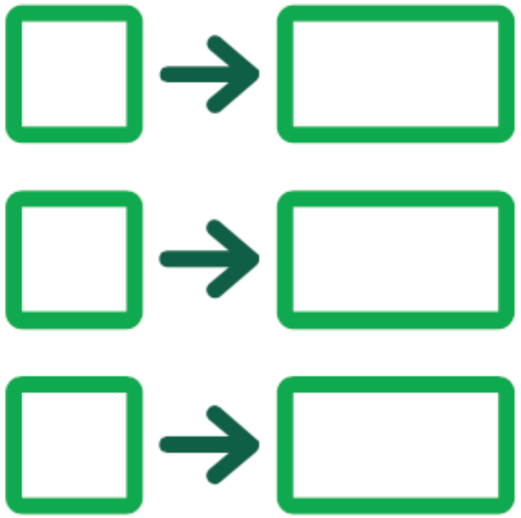


Key/Value Database

Simple

Key points to information

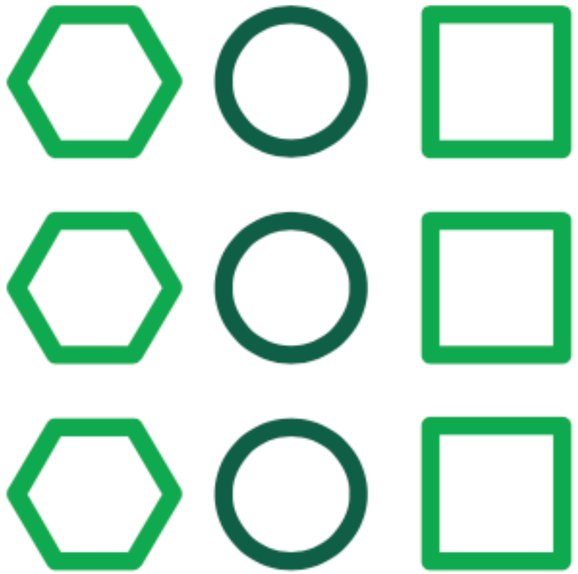
Database can be partitioned

Graph Database

Niche problems

Relations within table

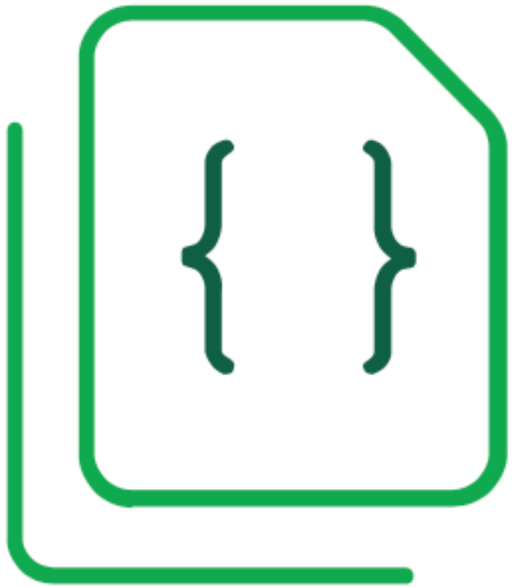
SQL statements with joins



Column Oriented
or Wide Column

Data is stored per column

Designed for analytics



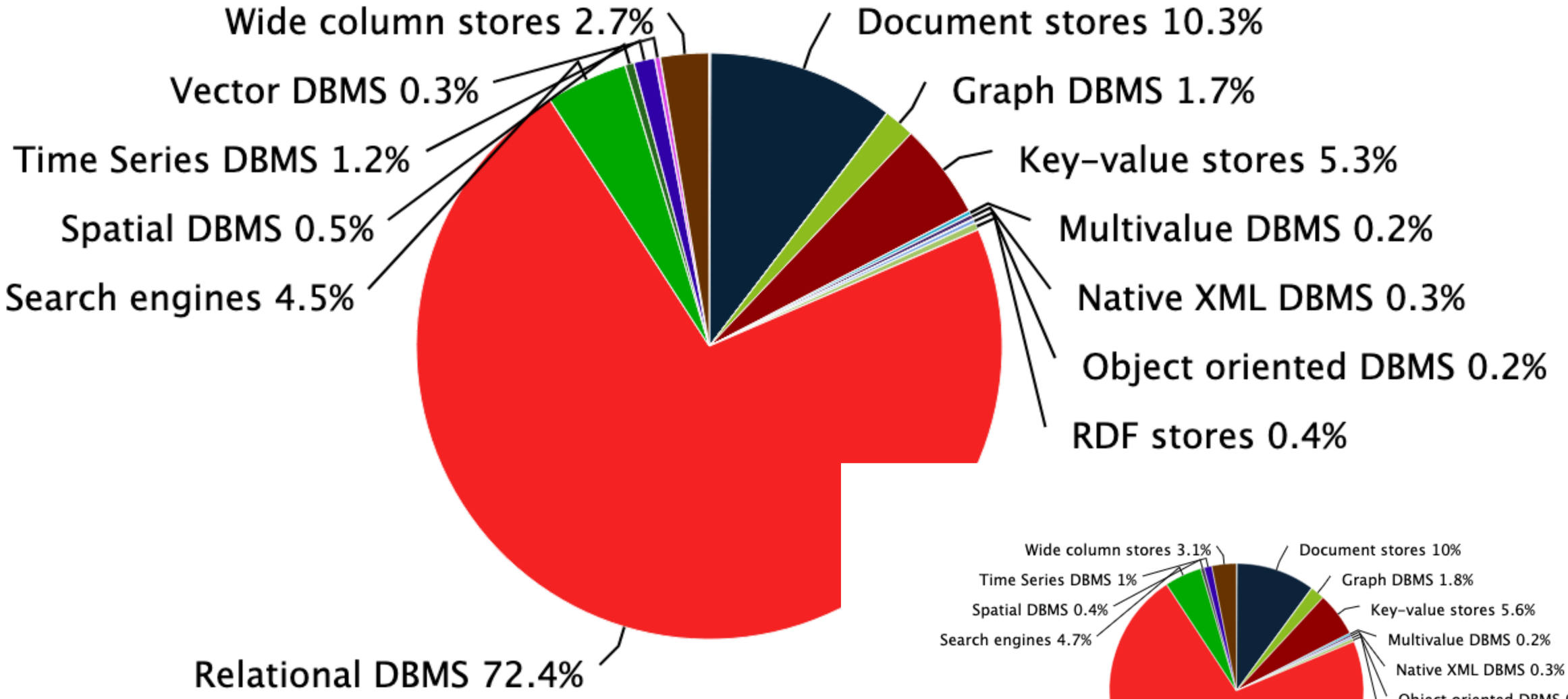
Document Database

Polymorphic data structures

Obvious relationships using embedded arrays and documents

Easy and natural representation

No complex mapping between application data and database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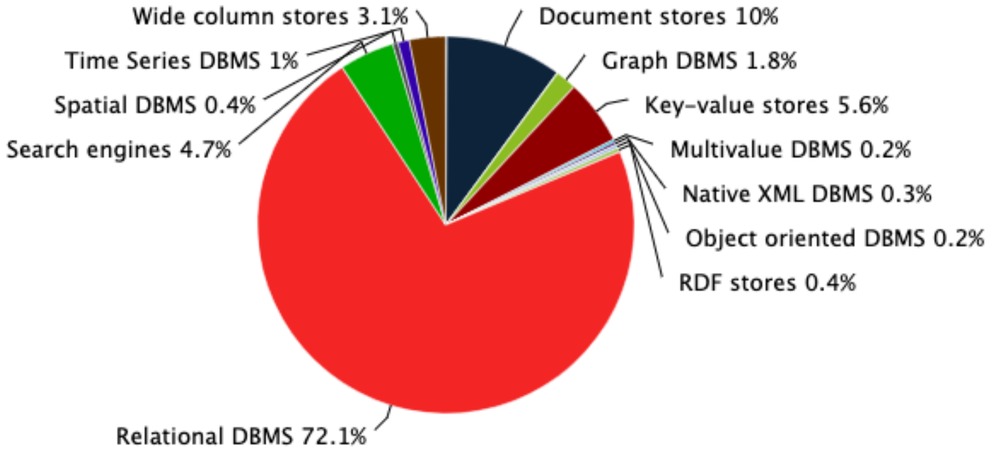
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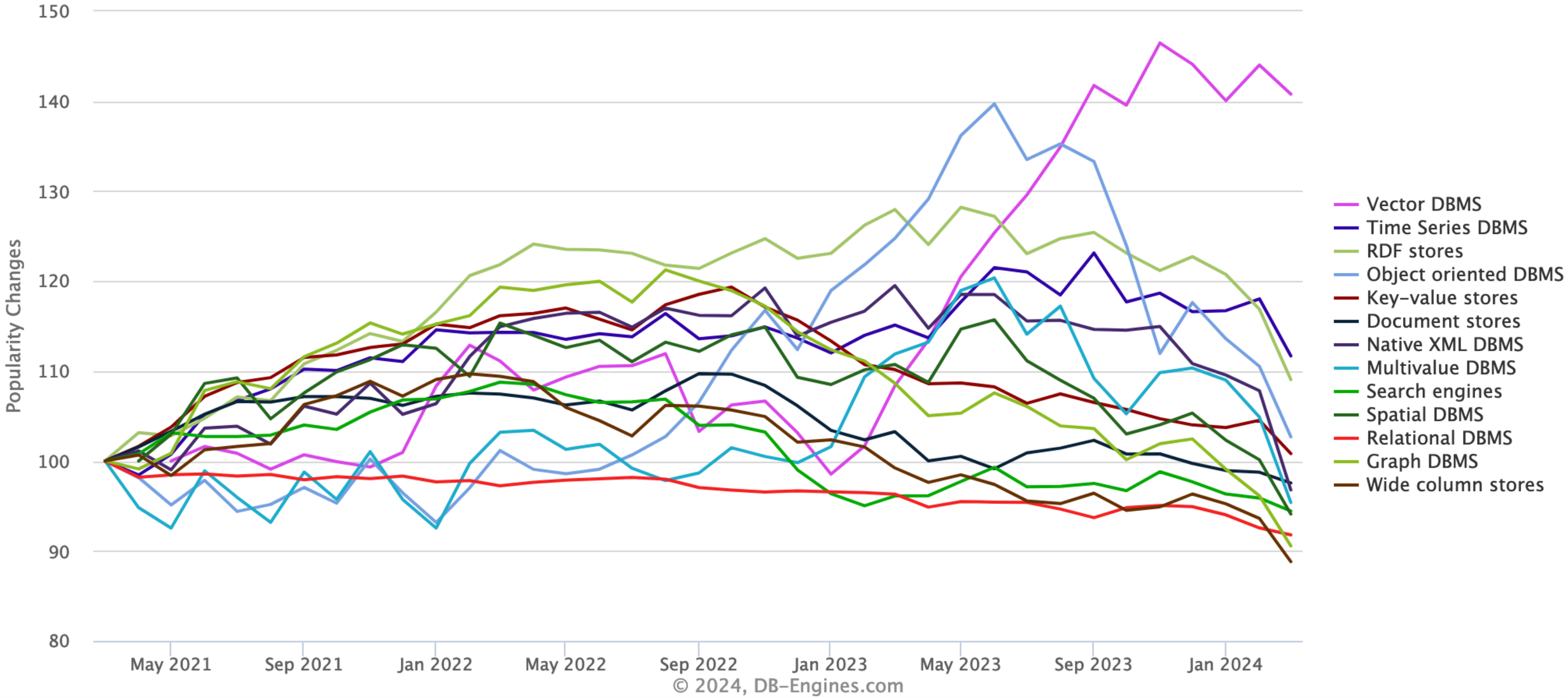
…the "growth" is in non-relational -- define growth



Most popular non-relational database

Rank			DBMS	Database Model	Score		
Mar 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2023			Mar 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2023
1.	1.	1.	Oracle	Relational, Multi-model	1221.06	-20.39	-40.23
2.	2.	2.	MySQL	Relational, Multi-model	1101.50	-5.17	-81.29
3.	3.	3.	Microsoft SQL Server	Relational, Multi-model	845.81	-7.76	-76.20
4.	4.	4.	PostgreSQL	Relational, Multi-model	634.91	+5.50	+21.08
5.	5.	5.	MongoDB	Document, Multi-model	424.53	+4.18	-34.25
6.	6.	6.	Redis	Key-value, Multi-model	157.00	-3.71	-15.45
7.	7.	↑ 8.	Elasticsearch	Search engine, Multi-model	134.79	-0.95	-4.28
8.	8.	↓ 7.	IBM Db2	Relational, Multi-model	127.75	-4.47	-15.17
9.	9.	↑ 11.	Snowflake	Relational	125.38	-2.07	+10.98
10.	10.	↓ 9.	SQLite	Relational	118.16	+0.88	-15.66
11.	11.	↓ 10.	Microsoft Access	Relational	107.93	-5.24	-24.13
12.	12.	12.	Cassandra	Wide column, Multi-model	104.59	-4.69	-9.20

Mongo

RDBMS & Mongo

Basic terms

- A set of **databases**
  - each database contains a set of **tables**
    - each table specifies a set of columns
    - each table contains a set of **rows (relations)**
      - each row has exactly the columns specified by the table

- A set of **databases**
  - each database contains a set of **collections**
    - each collection contains a set of **documents**
      - each document is an independent thing
        - Assuming no schema checking

```
{
  "_id": 11,
  "user_id": "Eoin",
  "age": 29,
  "Status": "A"
}
```

Collection

An organized store of documents in MongoDB, usually with common fields between documents

Document

A way to organize
and
store data as a set of

field-value pairs

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of documents in
MongoDB, usually
with common fields
between documents

Relational

Cars

_id	owner	make
007	Daniel	Ferrari
008	Daniel	Fiat

Wheels

_id	partNo
007	234819
007	281928
007	392838
007	928038
008	950555
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MongoDB

```
{
 "_id": 007,
 "owner": "Daniel",
 "make": "Ferrari",
 "wheels": [
   { "partNo": 234819 },
   { "partNo": 281928 },
   { "partNo": 392838 },
   { "partNo": 928038 }
 ],
  ...
}
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}
```

Car in
Relational Database

Car in
MongoDB

Rich, Flexible Document Model
-- it is just JSON (plus some)


```
{
  "_id": ObjectId("573a1390f29313caabcd4135"),
  "title": "Blacksmith Scene",
  "plot": "Three men hammer on an anvil and pass ...",
  "cast": [ "Charles Kayser", "John Ott" ],
  "directors": [ "William K.L. Dickson" ],
  "lastupdated": "2015-08-26 00:03:50.133000000",
  "year": 1893,
  "imdb": {
      "rating": 6.2,
      "votes": 1189,
      "id": 5
  }
}
```


Internally documents are stored in BSON (Binary JSON)

JSON

Text Encoding

Human Readable

Slower Parsing

Basic Data Types

Not as efficient

BSON

Binary Encoding

Machine Readable

Fast Parsing

Advanced Data Types

Efficient

JSON-like

Extends json

- JSON has only:
  - String, number, boolean, null (and object, array)
- Mongo adds
  - integers (4 or 8 byte)
    - the default is float
      - {"x":NumberInt("3"), "y":NumberLong("4"), "z":5}
  - Date:
    - {"d":new Date()}
  - ObjectID
    - a special 12 byte thing (every document in Mongo has an ObjectID)

Mongo has polymorphic data

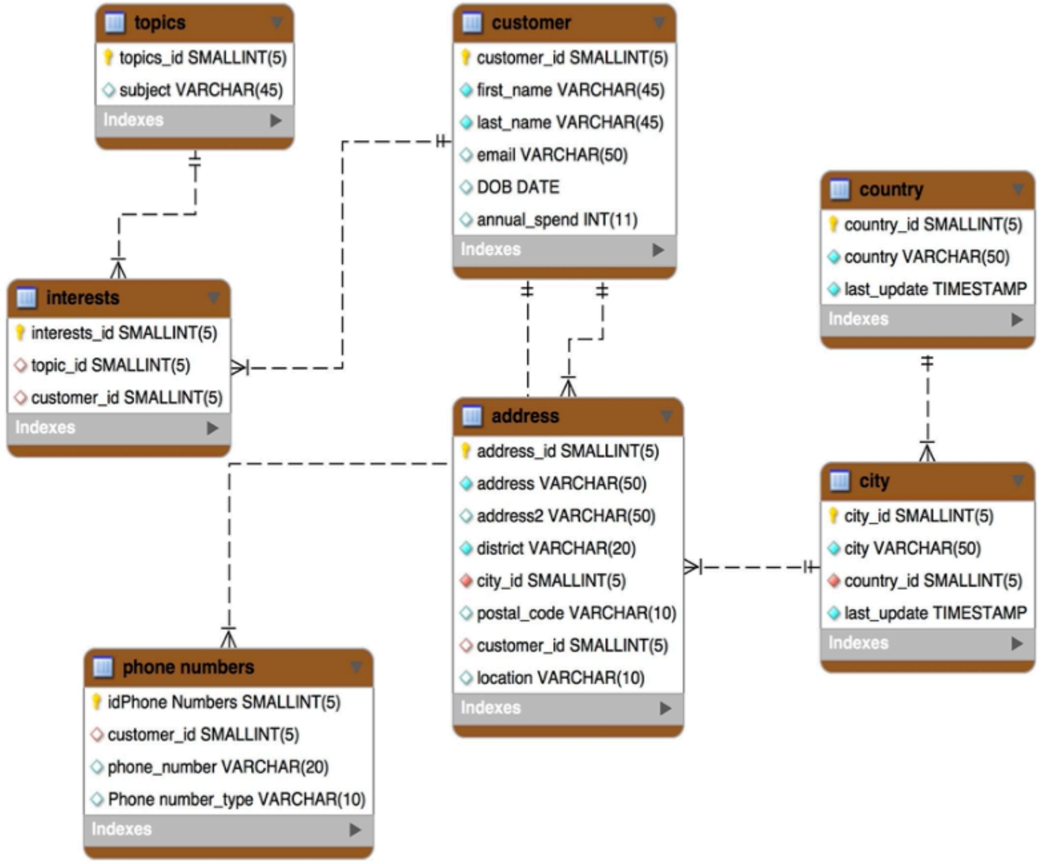
- Polymorphic data means that in one collection you have many versions of document schema
  - so, when you create a collection, you just put data in.
    - {"_id": 123, "car":"ferrari", "Cylinders":8, "cid":400, "hp":450}
    - {"_id":123, "car":"Tesla", "hp":300}
    - Some items are missing fields
      - In RDBMS null -- Mongo -- simply not there!

DB - PL mapping

- Since all Mongo data is in JSON-like container, mapping into objects is fairly natural.
  - If you have data in PostgreSQL
    - export table as JSON.
      - `select json_agg(t) from (select * from TABLE) as t;`
      - What is missing??

Document-Oriented Data

What is MongoDB (the database)?



Tabular (Relational) Data Model

Related data split across multiple records and tables

```
{
  "_id" :
ObjectId("5ad88534e3632e1a35a58d00"),
  "name" : {
    "first" : "John", "last" : "Doe" },
  "address" : [
    { "location" : "work",
      "address" : { "street" : "16
Hatfields",  "city" : "London",
"postal_code" : "SE1 8DJ"},
      "geo" : { "type" : "Point", "coord" :
[          51.5065752,-0.109081]}},
+    {...}
  ],
  "dob" : ISODate("1977-04-01T05:00:00Z"),
  "retirement_fund" :
NumberDecimal("1292815.75")
}
```

Document Data Model

Related data contained in a single, rich document

Object/sub-document: a one-to-one relationship

Cars		
_id	owner	make
007	Daniel	Ferrari
008	Daniel	Fiat

Engines			
_id	car_id	power	consumption
234808	007	660	10
008	008	120	45

OR

Cars				
_id	owner	make	power	consumption
007	Daniel	Ferrari	660	10
008	Daniel	Fiat	120	45

```
{
  "_id": 007,
  "owner": "Daniel",
  "make": "Ferrari",
  "engine": {
       "power": 660hp,
       "consumption": 10mpg
  }
  …
}
```

Tabular (Relational) Data Model

A car as one Engine. A one-to-one relationship in a single document or across 2 documents

Document Data Model

The engine information is in its own structure in the parent entity

Array: a one-to-many

Cars		
_id	owner	make
007	Daniel	Ferrari
Q08	Daniel	Fiat

Wheels	
_id	car_id
234819	007
281928	007
392838	007
928038	007
950555	008

Tabular (Relational) Data Model

One-to-Many relationship
from a car to the its wheels

```
{
  "_id": 007,
  "owner": "Daniel",
  "make": "Ferrari",
  wheels: [
       { "partNo": 234819 },
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       { "partNo": 928038 }
  ],
  ...
}
```

Document Data Model

One-to-Many wheels
expressed as an array

Many-to-Many relations

- Consider Sakila DB and actors
  - the actor table has information about the actor (name, etc)
  - the film_actor table has info showing what what films an actor was in but to get the names of those files you need to do a join.

- Mongo documents does not model this well.
- Think hard about the data .. do I need to allow querying from both directions??
  - If yes, then best course is accept the duplication of data
    - represent many explicitly in in each document

```
Person Collection
                  {ID:1, Name:"Rachel", advisees:[2,3,4,5], teaches:[1,2]}
                  {ID:10, Name:"Angie", advisees:[2,12,22], teaches:[2,3]}
                  {ID:2, Name:"Sarah", advisors:[1,10], takes:[1,2]}
                  {ID:3, Name:"Femi", advisors[1], takes:[2,4]}

Section Collection
        {section:1, dept:"A", course:123, section: 1 instructor:[1], students:[2]}
```

When to use which?

SQL is a good match for structured, slowly changing data

Non-relational, particularly the document model, is well suited to polymorphic data that can change frequently

Non-relational can provide greater developer productivity as it requires less code to translate between the database and the application

Non-relational systems are cloud-native and designed as distributed systems

Using Mongo

- UNIX> mongosh

- test==>**show dbs**
- test==>**use sakila**
  - switch to the sakila database
  - create the database if it does not exist
- sakila==>**show collections**

- **exit**

Mongosh
part 2

```
test==> use geoff
switched to db geoff
geoff==> db.movies.insertOne( { title: "The Favourite", genres: ["Drama", "History"] } )
{
  acknowledged: true,
  insertedId: ObjectId('65f0e9666407a274f80f71d5')
}
geoff==> db.movies.insertMany( [ {title: "Poor things"}, {genres: ["drama", "Fantasy"] } ] )
{
  acknowledged: true,
  insertedIds: {
    '0': ObjectId('65f0e9d66407a274f80f71d6'),
    '1': ObjectId('65f0e9d66407a274f80f71d7')
  } }
geoff==> db.movies.find({}) // select * from table;
[ {
    _id: ObjectId('65f0e9666407a274f80f71d5'),
    title: 'The Favourite',
    genres: [ 'Drama', 'History' ]
  },
  { _id: ObjectId('65f0e9d66407a274f80f71d6'), title: 'Poor things' },
  {
    _id: ObjectId('65f0e9d66407a274f80f71d7'),
    genres: [ 'drama', 'Fantasy' ]
  }]
geoff==>
```

If the collection 'movies' does not exist, it wll be created in the geoff db

The things inserts are not the same!