Modelado y Procesamiento de Grandes Volumenes de Datos

MongoDB – Aggregation Pipeline

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MongoDB Aggregation

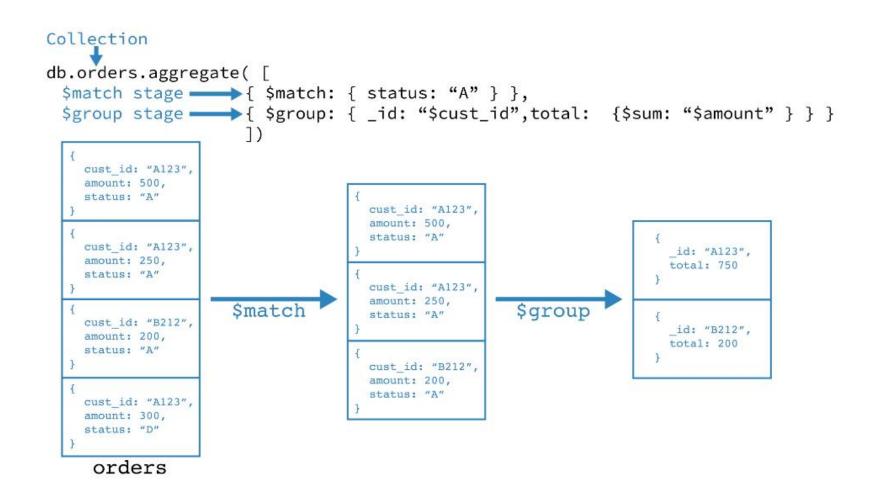
Aggregation operations process data records and return computed results

- MongoDB provides three ways to perform aggregation:
 - aggregation pipeline
 - map-reduce function
 - single purpose aggregation methods

Aggregation Pipeline

- multi-stage pipeline that transforms the documents into an aggregated result
- stages can use operators (arithmetic, boolean, string, etc)
- provides efficient data aggregation using native operations within MongoDB (preferred method)
- can operate on a sharded collection
- can use indexes to improve its performance during some of its stages
- has an internal optimization phase

Aggregation Pipeline - Method



Pipeline Expressions

- specify the transformation to apply to input documents of a stage
- have document structure and can contain other expression
- only operate on the current document in the pipeline and cannot refer to data from other documents
 - expression operations provide in-memory transformation of documents
- generally stateless:
 - exception, accumulators (\$max, \$min, \$avg, \$sum, etc) used in \$group stage

Pipeline Expressions – Field Paths

- used to access fields in the input documents
- prefixing the field name or the dotted field name (if the field is in the

embedded document) with a \$

• examples:

- \$primary_name
- \$known_for_titles.tconst

```
{
    "_id": "nm0000001",
    "primary_name": "Fred Astaire",
    "birth_year": 1899,
    "death_year": 1987,
    "primary_professions": ["soundtrack", "actor", "miscellaneous"],
    "known_for_titles": [{
        "tconst": "tt0031983"
    }, {
        "tconst": "tt0053137"
    }, {
        "tconst": "tt0050419"
    }, {|
            "tconst": "tt0072308"
    }]
}
```

Pipeline Expressions – Operator Expressions

- similar to functions that take arguments
 - array of arguments and have the following form:

```
• { <operator>: [ <argument1>, <argument2> ... ] }
{$subtract: ["$death_year", "$birth_year"]}
{$eq: ["$birth_year", 1950]}
```

• single argument:

```
• { <operator>: <argument> }
{$size: "$primary_professions"}
{$gte: 2000}
```

Pipeline Expressions – Operator Expressions

• Arithmetic:

• \$abs, \$round, \$sqrt, \$trunc

• Array:

• \$in, \$first, \$size, \$arrayElemAt

• Boolean:

• \$and, \$or, \$not

• Comparison:

- \$eq, \$gt, \$gte, \$lt, \$lte, \$ne
- Conditional, Date, Custom Aggregation, Data Size, Literal, Object, Set, Text, Trigonometry, Type, Accumulators, Variable

Pipeline Stages – \$match

 filters the documents to pass only the documents that match the specified condition(s) to the next pipeline stage

• place the \$match as early in the aggregation pipeline as possible

- passes along the documents with the requested fields to the next stage in the pipeline
 - specified fields can be existing fields from the input documents or newly computed fields

	Specification Form	Description
+	<field>: <1 or true></field>	Specifies the inclusion of a field
	_id: <0 or false>	Specifies the suppression of the _id field
+	<field>: <expression></expression></field>	Adds a new field or resets the value of an existing field
	<field>:<0 or false></field>	Specifies the exclusion of a field

• inclusion of fields birth_year and death_year, and suppression of _id

```
$\text{}
    $\text{project: {
        _id: false,
        birth_year: true,
        death_year: true
}
}
```

• new fields dead_at_age and current_age

• exclude fields birth year and death year:

```
$\text{}
    $project: {
        birth_year: false,
        death_year: false
    }
}
```

If you specify the exclusion of a field other than _id, you cannot employ any other \$project specification forms.

Pipeline Stages – \$group

• groups input documents by the specified $_id$ expression and for each distinct grouping, outputs a document that can contain computed fields holding the values of some accumulator expression (avg, avg, av

Grouping on single field
 (birth year)

Grouping on multiple field
(birth_year, death_year)

Pipeline Stages - Usefull for lab

- \$unwind
 - deconstructs an array field from the input documents to output a document for each element
- \$lookup
 - performs a left outer join to an unsharded collection in the same database to filter in documents from the "joined" collection for processing
- \$graphLookup
 - performs a recursive search on a collection, with options for restricting the search by recursion depth and query filter

Aggregation Pipeline – MongoDB Shell

• steps:

• open Mongo shell:

mongo

switch database:

```
use <db>
```

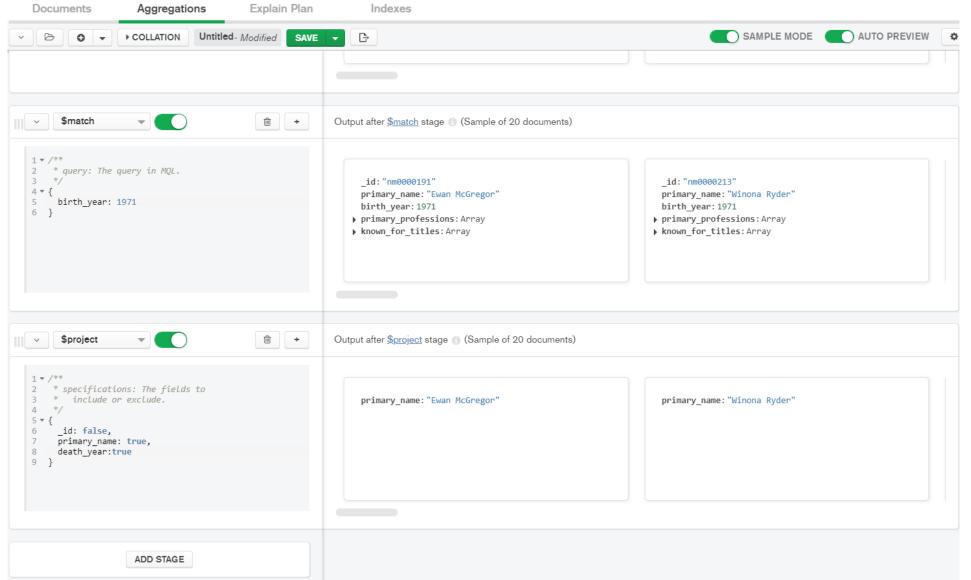
• execute aggregation pipeline:

```
db.collection.aggregate(<pipeline>, <options>)
```

• example:

```
db.names.aggregate([{$match: {birth_year: 1971}}, {$project: {_id: false, primary_name: true, death_year:true}}], {allowDiskUse: true})
```

Aggregation Pipeline – MongoDB Compass



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