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NoSQL

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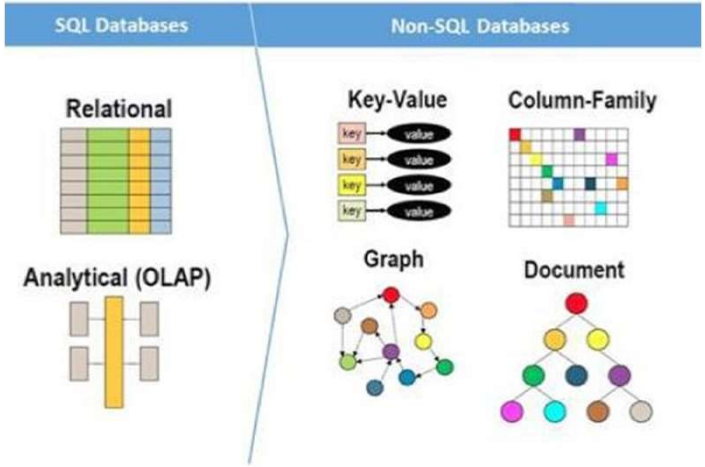
- Next Generation Databases mostly addressing some of the points:
  - being non-relational,
  - distributed,
  - open-source and
  - horizontal scalable.
- The original intention has been modern web-scale databases.



NoSQL

- The movement began early 2009 and is growing rapidly.
- Often more characteristics apply as:
  - schema-free,
  - easy replication support,
  - simple API,
  - eventually consistent / BASE (not ACID),
  - a huge data amount, and more.

Relational Databases: ACID Properties

- **A**tomic
  - All of the work in a transaction completes (commit) or none of it completes
- **C**onsistent
  - A transaction transforms the database from one consistent state to another consistent state.
  - Consistency is defined in terms of constraints.
- **I**solated
  - The results of any changes made during a transaction are not visible until the transaction has committed.
- **D**urable
  - The results of a committed transaction survive failures

NoSQL: BASE Transactions

- Acronym opposite of ACID
  - **B**asically **A**vailable,
  - **S**oft state (State of the system may change over time)
  - **E**ventually Consistent (asynchronous propagation)

Brewer's CAP Theorem

A distributed system can support only two of the following characteristics:

- Consistency
  - All replicas contain the same version of data
  - Client always has the same view of the data (no matter what node)
- Availability
  - Systems remains operational on failing notes
  - All clients can always read and write
- Partition tolerance
  - Multiple entry points
  - System remains operational on system communication malfunction
  - System works well across physical network partitions

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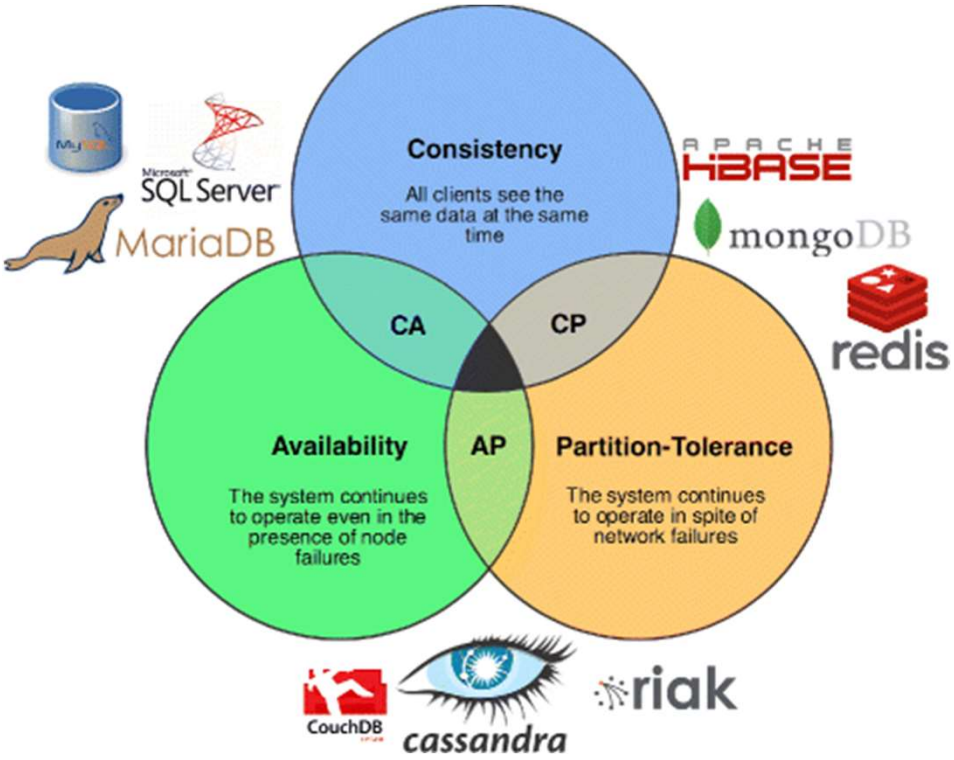
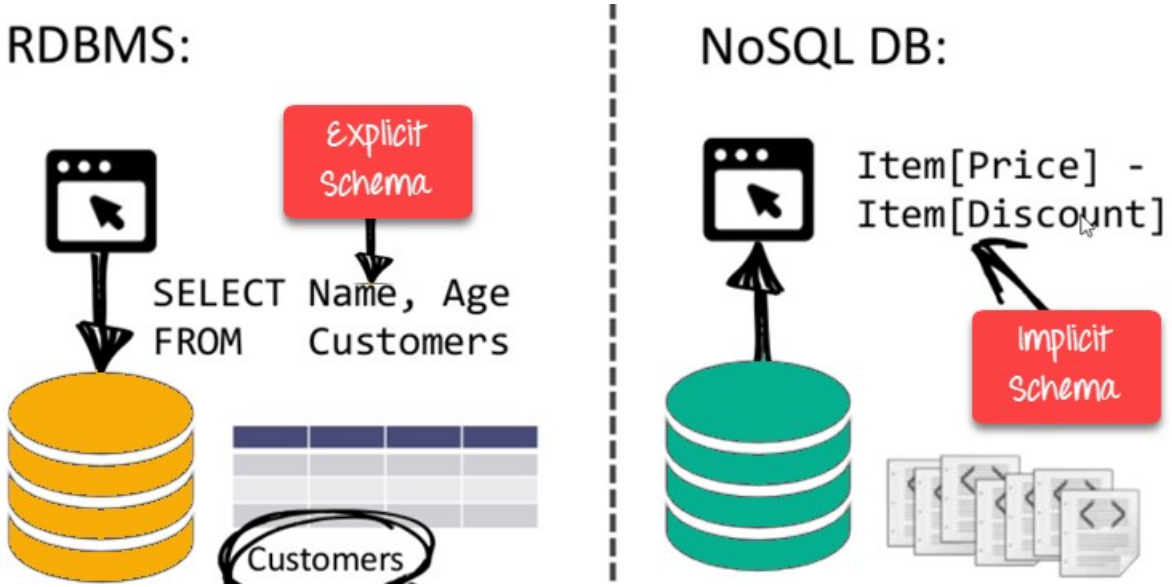


Brewer's CAP Theorem

- What the CAP theorem really says:
  - If you cannot limit the number of faults and requests can be directed to any server and you insist on serving every request you receive then you cannot possibly be consistent
- How it is interpreted:
  - You must always give something up: consistency, availability or tolerance to failure and reconfiguration

RDBMS vs NoSQL



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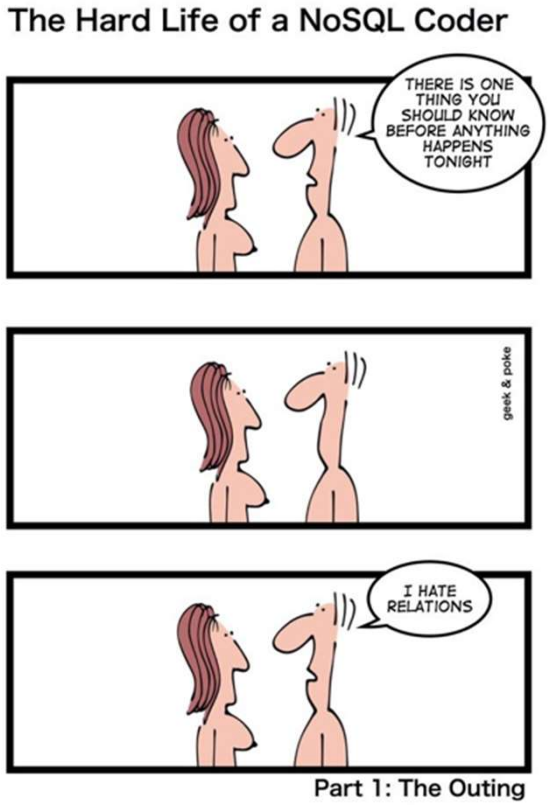
- Key-Value
- Graph Database
- Document-oriented
- Column Family



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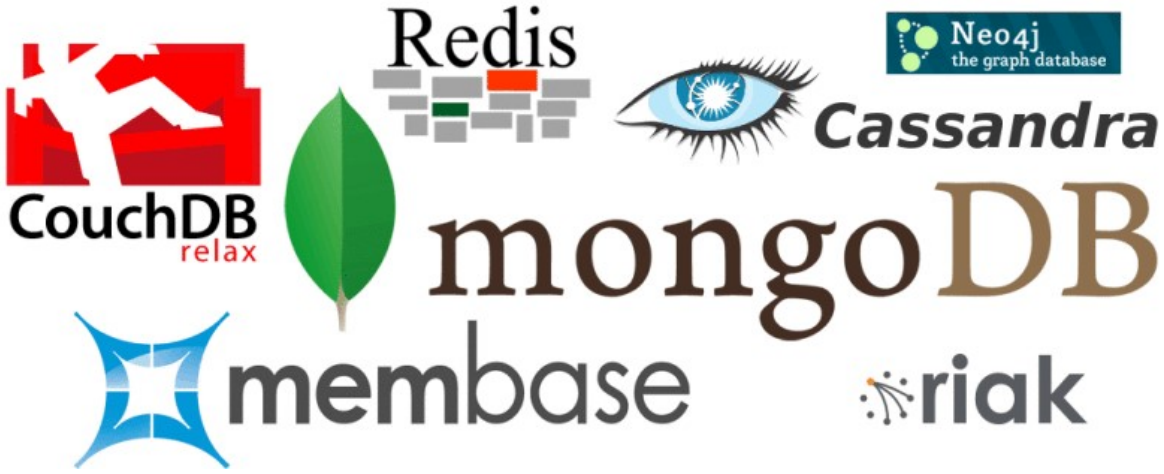

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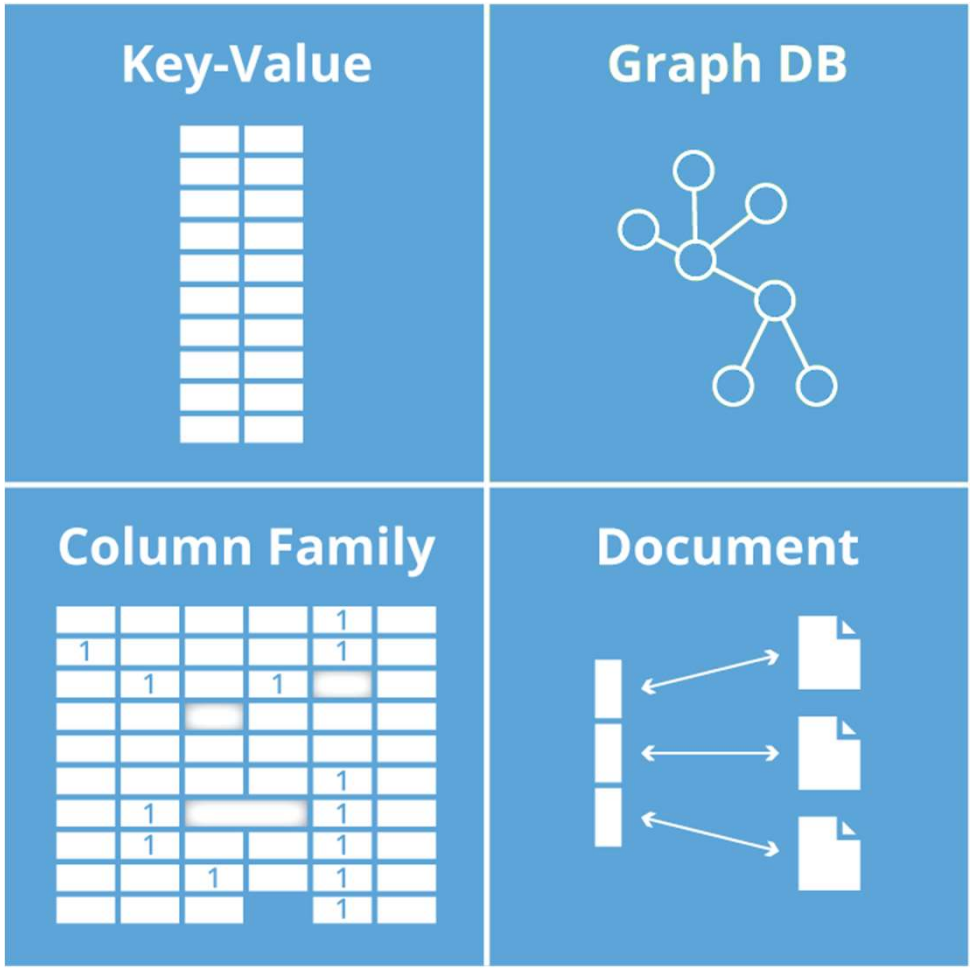

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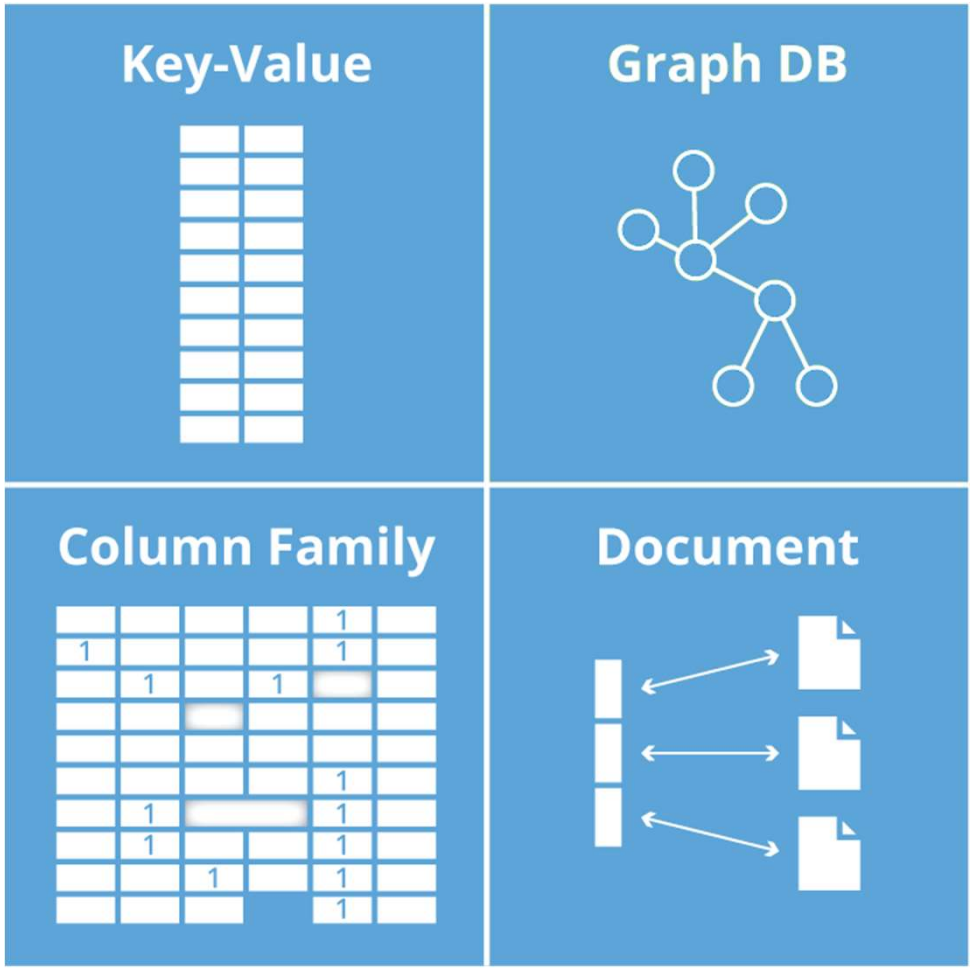
Key-Value – is a hash table of keys



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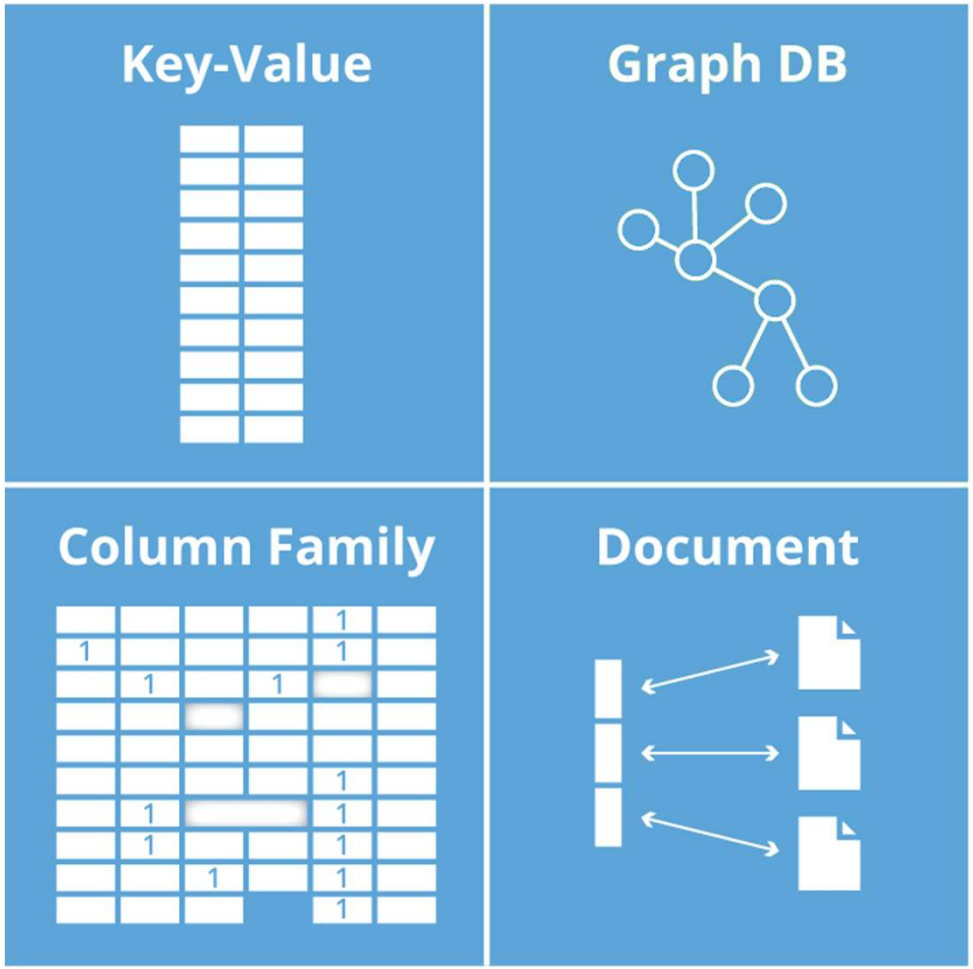

Graph Database
- uses graph structures for queries with nodes, edges and properties to represent and store data.

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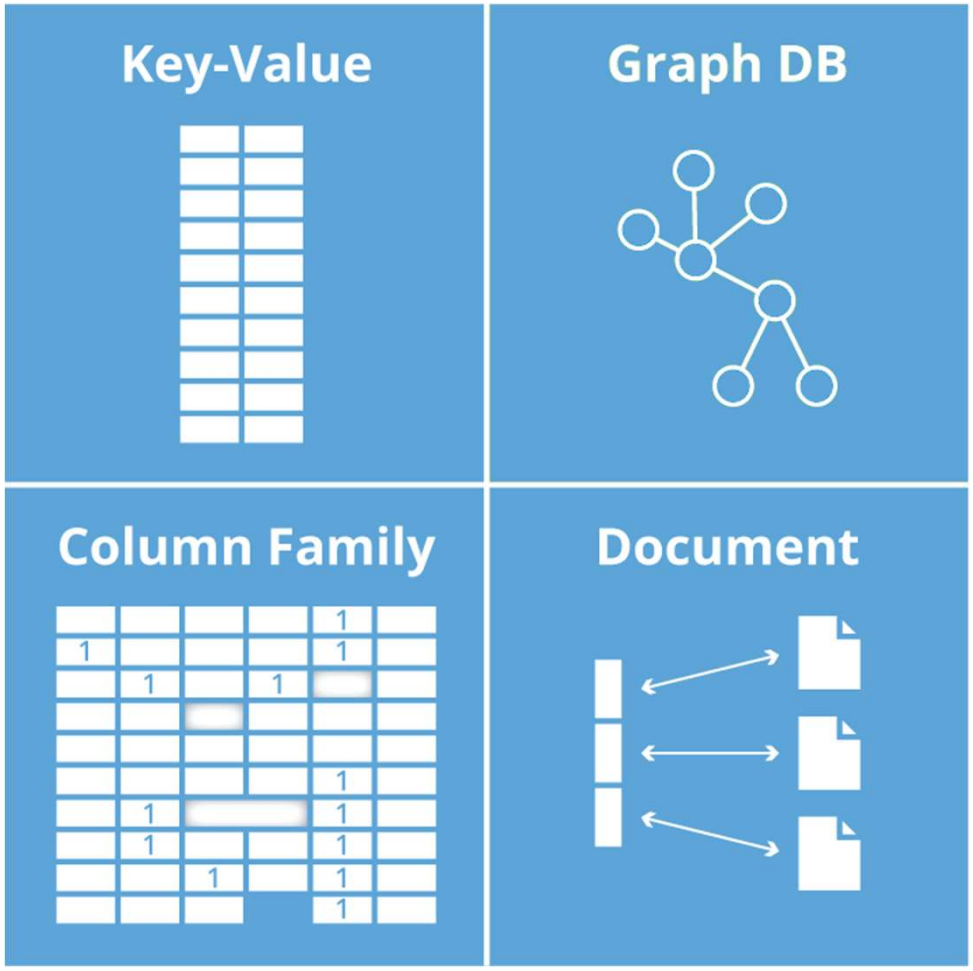

Document-oriented – stores data in flexible hierarchical data structures

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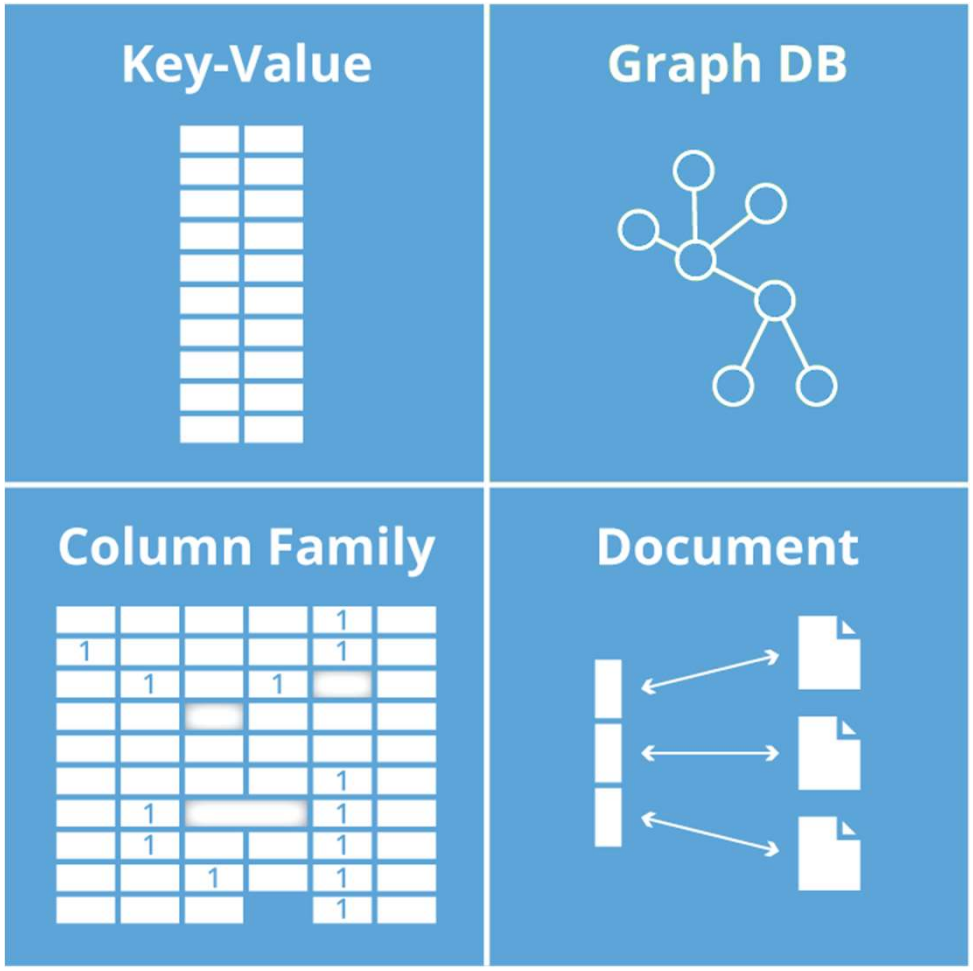

Column Family – Each storage block contains data from only one column

- **Is a document database**
- **Stores data in flexible, JSON-like documents**
  - meaning fields can vary from document to document and data structure can be changed over time
- Is a **distributed database at its core**
  - high availability, horizontal scaling, and geographic distribution are built in and easy to use

- **Free and open-source**, published under the GNU Affero General Public License
- The document model **maps to the objects in your application code**, making data easy to work with
- **Ad hoc queries, indexing, and real time aggregation** provide powerful ways to access and analyze your data

- Here we are **connecting** to a locally hosted MongoDB database called test with a collection named restaurants.

```
# 1. Connect to MongoDB instance running on localhost
client = pymongo.MongoClient()

# Access the 'restaurants' collection in the 'test' database
collection = client.test.restaurants
```

- 5 example documents are being **inserted** into the restaurants collection. Each document represents a restaurant with a name, star rating, and categories (stored as an array).

```
# 2. Insert
new_documents = [
  {
    "name": "Sun Bakery Trattoria",
    "stars": 4,
    "categories": ["Pizza","Pasta","Italian","Coffee","Sandwiches"]
  }, {
    "name": "Blue Bagels Grill",
    "stars": 3,
    "categories": ["Bagels","Cookies","Sandwiches"]
  }, {
    "name": "Hot Bakery Cafe",
    "stars": 4,
    "categories": ["Bakery","Cafe","Coffee","Dessert"]
  }, {
    "name": "XYZ Coffee Bar",
    "stars": 5,
    "categories": ["Coffee","Cafe","Bakery","Chocolates"]
  }, {
    "name": "456 Cookies Shop",
    "stars": 4,
    "categories": ["Bakery","Cookies","Cake","Coffee"]
  }
]
collection.insert_many(new_documents
```

- In this example, we run a simple query to get all of the documents in the restaurants collection and store them as an array.

```
# 3. Query
for restaurant in collection.find():
  pprint.pprint(restaurant)
```

- Indexes in MongoDB are similar to indexes in other database systems. MongoDB supports indexes on any field or sub-field of a document in a collection.
- Here, we are building an index on the name field with sort order ascending.

```
# 4. Create Index
collection.create_index([('name', pymongo.ASCENDING)])
```

- Using MongoDB's aggregation pipeline, you can filter and analyse data based on a given set of criteria.
- In this example, we pull all the documents in the restaurants collection that have a category of Bakery using the $match operator and then group them by their star rating using the $group operator. Using the accumulator operator, $sum, we can see how many bakeries in our collection have each star rating.

```
# 5. Perform aggregation
pipeline = [
  {"$match": {"categories": "Bakery"}},
  {"$group": {"_id": "$stars", "count": {"$sum": 1}}}
]

pprint.pprint(list(collection.aggregate(pipeline)
```

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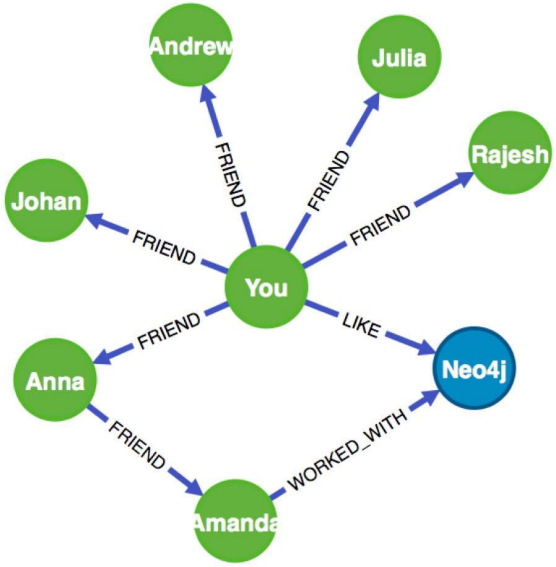


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RETURN db,expert,path
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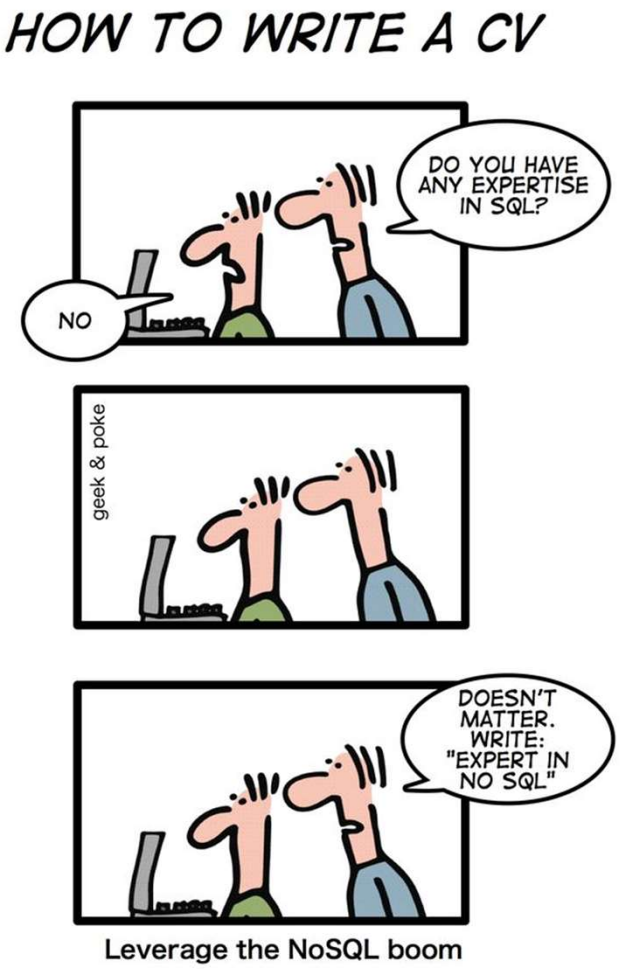
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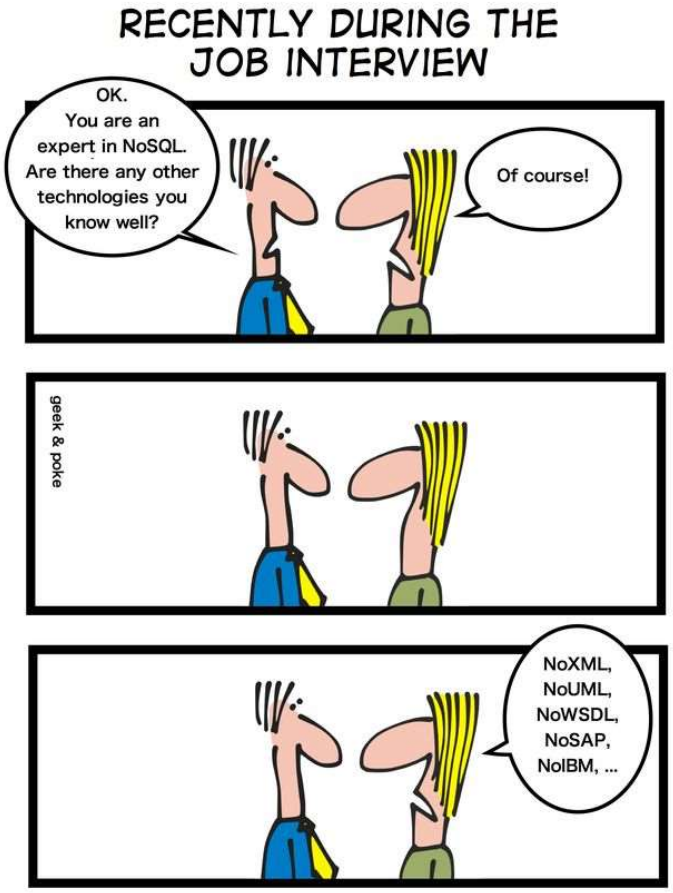
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