
nanomongo Documentation

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nanomongo is a minimal MongoDB Object-Document Mapper for Python. It does not attempt to be a feature-complete ODM but if you enjoy using [PyMongo](#) API with dictionaries and often find yourself writing validators and `pymongo.Collection` wrappers, nanomongo might suit your needs.

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CHAPTER 1

Installation

```
$ pip install nanomongo
```


2.1 Defining A Document And Registering

You can define a document as shown below:

```
import pymongo
from nanomongo import Field, BaseDocument

class Py23Doc(BaseDocument):
    dot_notation = True # to allow attribute-like access to document keys
    foo = Field(str)
    bar = Field(int, required=False)

    __indexes__ = [
        pymongo.IndexModel('foo'),
        pymongo.IndexModel([('bar', 1), ('foo', -1)], unique=True),
    ]

# before use, the document needs to be registered. The following will connect
# to the database and create indexes if necessary
Py23Doc.register(client=pymongo.MongoClient(), db='mydbname', collection='Py23Doc')
```

Python3 allows slightly cleaner definitions:

```
# Python3 only
class MyDoc(BaseDocument, dot_notation=True):
    foo = Field(str)
    bar = Field(int, required=False)
```

If you omit `collection` when defining/registering your document, `__name__.lower()` will be used by default.

2.2 Creating, Inserting, Querying, Saving

```
doc = MyDoc(foo='1337', bar=42) # creates document {'foo': '1337', 'bar': 42}
doc.insert()                   # returns pymongo.results.InsertOneResult
MyDoc.find_one({'foo': '1337'}) # returns document {'_id': ObjectId('...'), 'bar': 42, 'foo': '1337'}

doc.foo = '42'                 # records the change
del doc.bar                   # records the change
# save only does partial updates, this will call
# collection.update_one({'_id': doc['_id']}, {'$set': {'foo': '42'}, '$unset': {'bar': 1}})
doc.save()                     # returns pymongo.results.UpdateResult

MyDoc.find_one({'foo': '1337'}) # returns None
MyDoc.find_one({'foo': '42'})  # returns document {'_id': ObjectId('...'), 'foo': '42'}
```

`insert()` is a wrapper around `pymongo.Collection.insert_one()` and `save()` is a wrapper around `pymongo.Collection.update_one()`. They pass along received keyword arguments and have the same return value.

`find()` and `find_one()` methods are wrappers around respective methods of `pymongo.Collection` with same arguments and return values.

Extensive Example

3.1 Extensive Example

Following is an example use case.

```
from datetime import datetime

import bson
import pymongo
import six

from nanomongo import Field, BaseDocument

class User(BaseDocument):
    """A user has a name, a list of categories he follows and a dictionary
    for preferences.

    We index on :attr:`~User.name` field and on
    :attr:`~User.following` + :attr:`~preferences.notifications` (compound),
    think of listing followers of a category who have notifications enabled.
    """
    dot_notation = True
    name = Field(six.text_type)
    following = Field(list, default=[])
    preferences = Field(dict, default={'notifications': True})

    __indexes__ = [
        pymongo.IndexModel('name'),
        pymongo.IndexModel([
            ('following', pymongo.ASCENDING),
            ('preferences.notifications', pymongo.ASCENDING)
        ]),
    ]
```

```

def add_entry(self, title, categories=None):
    """Add an entry with title and categories and ``user=self._id``"""
    assert (title and isinstance(title, six.text_type)), 'title not str or empty'
    e = Entry(user=self._id, title=title)
    if categories:
        assert isinstance(categories, list), 'categories not a list'
        for cat in categories:
            assert (cat and isinstance(cat, six.text_type)), 'categories element_
↳not str or empty'
        e.categories = categories
    e.insert()
    return e

def follow(self, *categories):
    """Start following a category (add it to :attr:`~self.categories`)"""
    assert categories, 'categories expected'
    for category in categories:
        assert (category and isinstance(category, six.text_type)), 'category not_
↳str or empty'
        self.add_to_set('following', category)
    self.save()

def get_entries(self, **kwargs):
    """Get entries (well cursor for them) of this User, extra kwargs
    (such as limit) are passed to :class:`~pymongo.Collection().find()`
    """
    cursor = Entry.find({'user': self._id}, **kwargs)
    # hint not necessary here, just demonstration
    cursor.hint([('user', pymongo.ASCENDING), ('_id', pymongo.DESCENDING)])
    return cursor

def get_comments(self, with_entries=False, **kwargs):
    """Get comments of this User, extra kwargs
    (such as limit) are passed to :class:`~pymongo.Collection().find()`
    of :class:`~Entry`. Default gets just the comments, ``with_entries=True``
    to get entries as well. Returns generator
    """
    cursor = Entry.find({'comments.author': self.name}, **kwargs)
    if with_entries:
        for entry in cursor:
            yield entry
    for entry in cursor:
        for comment in entry.comments:
            if self.name == comment['author']:
                yield comment

class Entry(BaseDocument):
    """An entry that a :class:`~User` posts; has a title, a user field
    pointing to a User _id, a list of categories that the entry belongs
    and a list for comments.

    We index on categories, 'comments.author' + 'comment.created'
    so we can lookup comments by author and
    'user' + '_id' so we can chronologically sort entries by user
    """
    dot_notation = True
    user = Field(bson.ObjectId)

```

```

title = Field(six.text_type)
categories = Field(list, default=[])
comments = Field(list, default=[])

__indexes__ = [
    pymongo.IndexModel([('user', pymongo.ASCENDING), ('_id', pymongo.
↳ DESCENDING)]),
    pymongo.IndexModel('categories'),
    pymongo.IndexModel([('comments.author', pymongo.ASCENDING), ('comments.created
↳ ', pymongo.DESENDING)]),
]

def add_comment(self, text, author):
    """Add a comment to this Entry"""
    assert (text and isinstance(text, six.text_type)), 'text not str or empty'
    assert (author and isinstance(author, User)), 'second argument not an_
↳ instance of User'
    doc = {'text': text, 'author': author.name, 'created': datetime.utcnow()}
    # TODO: push is more appropriate in this situation, add when implemented
    self.add_to_set('comments', doc)
    # we could have also done self.comments = self.comments + [doc]
    self.save()
    return text

def get_followers(self):
    """Return a cursor for Users who follow the categories that this Entry has
    """
    return User.find({'following': {'$in': self.categories}})

```


4.1 \$addToSet

MongoDB \$addToSet update modifier is very useful. nanomongo implements it.

`add_to_set()` will do the *add-to-field-if-doesnt-exist* on your document instance and record the change to be applied later when `save()` is called.

```
import pymongo
from nanomongo import Field, BaseDocument

class NewDoc(BaseDocument, dot_notation=True):
    list_field = Field(list)
    dict_field = Field(dict)

NewDoc.register(client=pymongo.MongoClient(), db='mydbname')
doc_id = NewDoc(list_field=[42], dict_field={'foo':[]}).insert().inserted_id
doc = NewDoc.find_one({'_id': doc_id})
# {'_id': ObjectId('...'), 'dict_field': {'foo': []}, 'list_field': [42]}

doc.add_to_set('list_field', 1337)
doc.add_to_set('dict_field.foo', 'like a boss')
doc.save()
```

Both of the above `add_to_set` calls are applied to the `NewDoc` instance like MongoDB does it eg.

- create list field with new value if it doesn't exist
- add new value to list field if it's missing (append)
- complain if it is not a list field

When `save` is called, the following is called:

```
update_one(
    {'_id': doc['_id']},
```

```
{'$addToSet': {'list_field': {'$each': [1337]}}, 'dict_field.foo': {'$each': [
↪ 'like a boss']}}
)
```

Undefined fields or field type mismatch raises *ValidationError*:

```
doc.add_to_set('dict_field.foo', 'like a boss')
ValidationError: Cannot apply $addToSet modifier to non-array: dict_field=<class 'dict'
↪ '>
```

4.2 QuerySpec check

find() and *find_one()* runs a simple check against queries and logs warnings for queries that can not match. See *check_spec()* for details.

4.3 dbref_field_getters

Documents that define `bson.DBRef` fields automatically generate getter methods through `ref_getter_maker()` where the generated methods have names such as `get_<field_name>_field`.

```
class MyDoc(BaseDocument):
    # document_class with full path
    source = Field(DBRef, document_class='some_module.Source')
    # must be defined in same module as this will use
    # mydoc_instance.__class__.__module__
    destination = Field(DBRef, document_class='Destination')
    # autodiscover
    user = Field(DBRef)
```

nanomongo tries to guess the `document_class` if it's not provided by looking at registered subclasses of *BaseDocument*. If it matches more than one (for example when two document classes use the same collection), it will raise *UnsupportedOperation*.

CHAPTER 5

pymongo & motor

0.5.0 update: motor support is currently not in a working state, this section is kept for reference.

Throughout the documentation, pymongo is referenced but all features work the same when using `motor` transparently if you register the document class with a `motor.MotorClient`.

```
import motor
from nanomongo import Field, BaseDocument

class MyDoc(BaseDocument, dot_notation=True):
    foo = Field(str)
    bar = Field(list, required=False)

client = motor.MotorClient().open_sync()
MyDoc.register(client=client, db='dbname')

# and now some async motor queries (using @gen.engine)
doc_id = yield motor.Op(MyDoc(foo=42).insert)
doc = yield motor.Op(MyDoc.find_one, {'foo': 42})
doc.add_to_set('bar', 1337)
yield motor.Op(doc.save)
```

Note however that pymongo vs motor behaviour is not necessarily identical. Asynchronous methods require `tornado.ioloop.IOLoop`. For example, `register()` runs `ensure_index` but the query will not be sent to MongoDB until `IOLoop.start()` is called.

6.1 nanomongo.document

class nanomongo.document.BaseDocument (*args, **kwargs)

BaseDocument class. Subclasses should be used. See `__init__()`

add_to_set (field, value)

Explicitly defined \$addToSet functionality. This sets/updates the field value accordingly and records the change to be saved with `save()`.

```
# MongoDB style dot notation can be used to add to lists
# in embedded documents
doc = Doc(foo=[], bar={})
doc.add_to_set('foo', new_value)
```

Contrary to how \$set ing the same value has no effect under `__setitem__` (see `.util.RecordingDict.__setitem__()`) when the new value is equal to the current, this explicitly records the change so it will be sent to the database when `save()` is called.

classmethod find (*args, **kwargs)

`pymongo.Collection().find` wrapper for this document

classmethod find_one (*args, **kwargs)

`pymongo.Collection().find_one` wrapper for this document

classmethod get_collection ()

Returns collection as set in nanomongo

get_dbref ()

Return a `bson.DBRef` instance for this *BaseDocument* instance

insert (**kwargs)

Runs auto updates, validates the document, and inserts into database. Returns `pymongo.results.InsertOneResult`.

classmethod register (*client=None, db=None, collection=None*)

Register this document. Sets client, database, collection information, creates indexes and sets SON manipulator

run_auto_updates ()

Runs auto_update functions in `.nanomongo.transforms`.

save (***kwargs*)

Runs auto updates, validates the document, and saves the changes into database. Returns `pymongo.results.UpdateResult`.

validate ()

Override this to add extra document validation. It will be called during `insert()` and `save()` before the database operation.

validate_all ()

Check correctness of the document before `insert()`. Ensure that

- no extra (undefined) fields are present
- field values are of correct data type
- required fields are present

validate_diff ()

Check correctness of diffs (ie. `$set` and `$unset`) before `save()`. Ensure that

- no extra (undefined) fields are present for either set or unset
- field values are of correct data type
- required fields are not unset

6.2 nanomongo.errors

exception `nanomongo.errors.NanomongoError`

Base nanomongo error

exception `nanomongo.errors.ValidationError`

Raised when a field fails validation

exception `nanomongo.errors.ExtraFieldError`

Raised when a document has an undefined field

exception `nanomongo.errors.ConfigurationError`

Raised when a required value found to be not set during operation, or a Document class is registered more than once

exception `nanomongo.errors.IndexMismatchError`

Raised when a defined index does not match defined fields

exception `nanomongo.errors.UnsupportedOperation`

Raised when an unsupported operation/parameters are used

exception `nanomongo.errors.DBRefNotSetError`

Raised when a DBRef getter is called on not-set DBRef field

6.3 nanomongo.field

class nanomongo.field.**Field**(*args, **kwargs)

Instances of this class is used to define field types and automatically create validators:

```
field_name = Field(str, default='cheeseburger')
foo = Field(datetime, auto_update=True)
bar = Field(list, required=False)
```

__init__(*args, **kwargs)

Field kwargs are checked for correctness and field validator is set, along with other attributes such as required and auto_update

Keyword Arguments

- *default*: default field value, must pass type check, can be a callable
- *required*: if True field must exist and not be None (default: True)
- *auto_update*: set value to `datetime.utcnow()` before inserts/saves; only valid for datetime fields (default: False)

classmethod **check_kwargs**(kwargs, data_type)

Check keyword arguments & their values given to Field constructor such as default, required...

generate_validator(t, **kwargs)

Generates and returns validator function (value_to_check, field_name=''). field_name kwarg is optional, used for better error reporting.

6.4 nanomongo.util

nanomongo.util.**check_spec**(cls, spec)

Check the query spec for given class and log warnings. Not extensive, helpful to catch mistyped queries.

- Dotted keys (eg. {'foo.bar': 1}) in spec are checked for top-level (ie. foo) field existence
- Dotted keys are also checked for their top-level field type (must be dict or list)
- Normal keys (eg. {'foo': 1}) in spec are checked for top-level (ie. foo) field existence
- Normal keys with non-dict queries (ie. not something like {'foo': {'\$gte': 0, '\$lte': 1}}) are also checked for their data type

class nanomongo.util.**RecordingDict**(*args, **kwargs)

A dict subclass modifying dict.__setitem__() and dict.__delitem__() methods to record changes internally in its __nanodiff__ attribute.

check_can_update(modifier, field_name)

Check if given modifier field_name combination can be added. MongoDB does not allow field duplication with update modifiers. This is to be used with methods `add_to_set()` ...

clear_other_modifiers(current_mod, field_name)

Given current_mod, removes other field_name modifiers, eg. when called with \$set, removes \$unset and \$addToSet etc. on field_name.

get_sub_diff()

Find fields of `RecordingDict` type, iterate over their diff and build dotted keys to be merged into top level diff.

reset_diff()

Reset `__nanodiff__` recursively. To be used after saving diffs. This does NOT do a rollback. Reload from db for that.

class `nanomongo.util.NanomongoSONManipulator` (*as_class*, *transforms=None*)

A pymongo SON Manipulator used on data that comes from the database to transform data to the document class we want because *as_class* argument to pymongo find methods is called in a way that screws us.

- Recursively applied, we don't want that
- `__init__` is not properly used but rather `__setitem__`, fails us

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