

NoSQL Databases

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Large volumes and complexity of data that organizations manage today is challenging traditional approaches to data management. To address such challenges relational databases have introduced a range of advanced features that support the management of complex data objects. More recently, a new generation of non-relational databases known as NoSQL have emerged. NoSQL databases include a diverse collection of products designed to manage large volumes of different types of data using cloud infrastructure. In this 3-day course we discuss the motivation for NoSQL and then cover a range of advanced database techniques with practical demonstrations and hands-on exercises using leading NoSQL databases.

Course Content

- *Introduction: Data management challenges today, limitations of relational databases*
- *Advanced SQL features: User Defined Types, Collections, Object types and methods, etc.*
- *Management of semi-structured data: XML and JSON data types, XQuery*
- *Overview of NoSQL databases: Document databases, Column databases, Graph databases, In-memory databases, etc.*
- *NoSQL concepts and techniques: horizontal scalability and sharding, schema-less data, CAP theorem, data replication and BASE consistency*
- *AWS database services*
- *Examples of NoSQL databases: DynamoDB, MongoDB, etc.*
- *Summary: SQL vs NoSQL- benefits and drawbacks, future developments*
- *Practical hand-on exercises using MongoDB and DynamoDB*

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