Introduction to MongoDB The Shell

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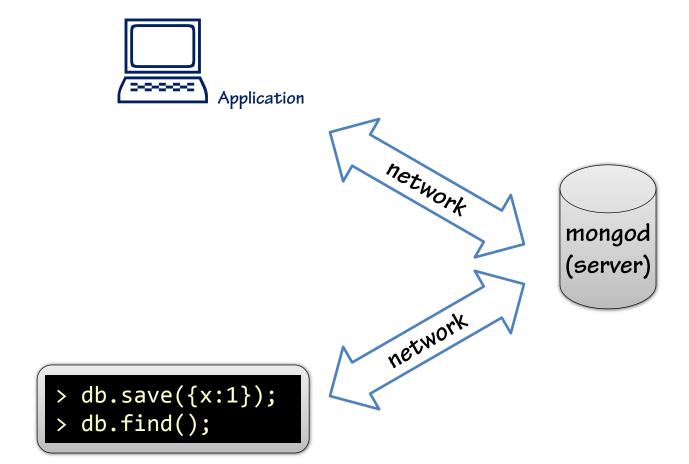
The Shell

The shell and Mongo

Tips and tricks

Shell usage scenarios

Shell and Mongo



Interactive Shell

Runs JavaScript

Scripting – not just issuing CRUD

Useful for

- Administrative tasks
- Spelunk Data
- Fix or modify some documents

"Blind" Shell

Runs JavaScript

- Run administrative scripts
- Run single ad-hoc command

Useful for

- Administrative tasks
- Batch processing

"Blind" Command

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// single command: --eval
mongo server1/admin --eval "db.runCommand({logRotate:1})"
```

"Blind" script

```
// run a script: script name
mongo server1 myDailyChores.js
```

Script -> Interactive

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// run script, then get in shell: --shell
mongo server1 myDailyChores.js --shell
```

Getting Around

Quick ref - keystrokes

Key	Function
[←][→]	Move cursor right/left
[Ctrl] + [←], [Ctrl] +[→]	Move cursor right/left
[个][少]	Scroll history
[Home] or [Ctrl] + [A]	Start of line
[End] or [Ctrl] + [E]	End of line
[Ctrl] + [K]	Delete to end of line
[Ctrl] + [L]	Clear screen

External Editor

- Complex scripts can use a "big-boy" editor
- Wire up the shell to use your favorite editor

• // From the console:

C:\> set EDITOR="mySuperEditor.exe"

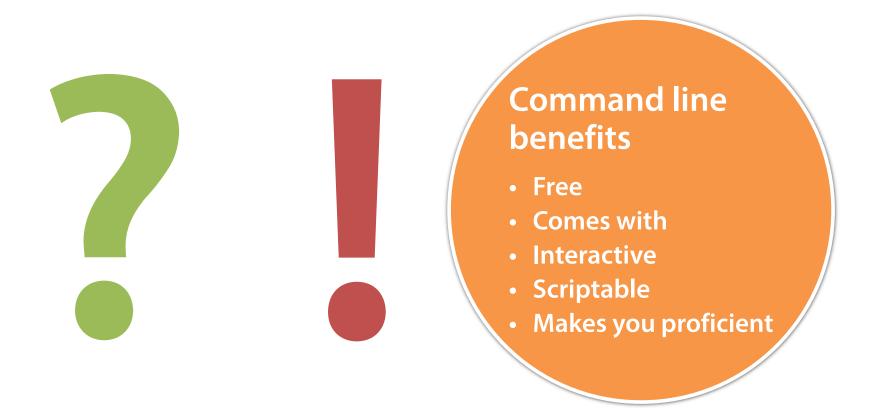
2 // From the shell: edit

mongo> myFunction = function(x){}
mongo> edit myFunction

Prevent Disaster

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// sample .mongorc.js script
var _no_ = function(){ print("Nope!");}
DB.prototype.dropDatabase = _no_;
db.dropDatabase = db.prototype.dropDatabase;
DB.prototype.shutdownServer = _no_;
db.shutdownServer = db.prototype.shutdownServer;
```

Alternatives?



Summary

Use it

- Interactive
- Run scripts

Know it

- Tips & tricksShortcuts