# **Replication Notes**

## Starting a Master/Slave Pair

Create directories for each mongod instance:

```
mkdir /data/master /data/slave
```

Start the master and the slave:

```
mongod(.exe) --dbpath /data/master --port 27017 --master
mongod(.exe) --dbpath /data/slave --port 27018 --slave --source localhost:27017
```

## Starting a Replica Set

Create directories for each mongod instance:

```
mkdir /data/rs0 /data/rs1 /data/rs2
```

Start three instances of mongod:

```
mongod(.exe) --dbpath /data/rs0 --port 27017 --replSet myset
mongod(.exe) --dbpath /data/rs1 --port 27018 --replSet myset
mongod(.exe) --dbpath /data/rs2 --port 27019 --replSet myset
```

Connect to the any mongod instance:

```
mongo(.exe) --port 27018
```

Initialize the replica set:

```
> use admin
> rs.initiate()
```

Add the other members:

```
PRIMARY> rs.add('localhost:27018')
PRIMARY> rs.add('localhost:27019')
```

## **Config Objects**

There are many optional settings that can be configured using the config object:

```
{
    _id : <setname>,
    members: [
        {
          _id : <ordinal>,
        }
}
```

```
host : <hostname[:port]>
  [, arbiterOnly : true]
  [, buildIndexes : <bool>]
  [, hidden : true]
  [, priority: <pri>priority>]
  [, tags: {loc1 : desc1, loc2 : desc2, ..., locN : descN}]
  [, slaveDelay : <n>]
  [, votes : <n>]
}
, ...
],
[settings: {
  [getLastErrorDefaults: <lasterrdefaults>]
  [, getLastErrorModes : <modes>]
]
}
```

#### A quick example:

#### To reconfigure the set:

```
PRIMARY> conf = rs.conf()
PRIMARY> conf.members[2].priority = 100
PRIMARY> rs.reconfig(conf)
```

To remove an option set it to its default setting:

```
PRIMARY> conf = rs.conf()
PRIMARY> conf.members[2].priority = 1
PRIMARY> rs.reconfig(conf)
```

### **Other Important Commands**

```
rs.help()
rs.status()
rs.slaveOk()
db.printReplicationInfo()
db.printSlaveReplicationInfo()
```

### **Exercises**

- 1. Set up a replica set using the steps above.
- 2. Run the command to step down the primary: db.runCommand({ replSetStepDown: 1}); Ensure that a secondary node is elected as the new primary.
- 3. Practice automated failover. In this case, you'll want to terminate the primary node manually.
- 4. Add a node to an existing live replica set. This involves setting up a new node and either running rs.add() from the shell or, on a lower level, running the replicaSetReconfig command.