MDX Remote Example

This example shows how a simple blog might be built using the next-mdx-remote library, which allows mdx content to be loaded via getServerSideProps. The mdx content is loaded from a local folder, but it could be loaded from a database or anywhere else.

The example also showcases <u>next-remote-watch</u>, a library that allows next.js to watch files outside the pages folder that are not explicitly imported, which enables the mdx content here to trigger a live reload on change.

Since next-remote-watch uses undocumented Next.js APIs, it doesn't replace the default dev script for this example. To use it, run npm run dev:watch or yarn dev:watch.

Deploy your own

Deploy the example using Vercel:



How to use

Execute <u>create-next-app</u> with <u>npm</u> or <u>Yarn</u> to bootstrap the example:

```
npx create-next-app --example with-mdx-remote with-mdx-remote-app
# or
yarn create next-app --example with-mdx-remote with-mdx-remote-app
# or
pnpm create next-app -- --example with-mdx-remote with-mdx-remote-app
```

Deploy it to the cloud with Vercel (Documentation).

Notes

Conditional custom components

When using <code>next-mdx-remote</code>, you can pass custom components to the MDX renderer. However, some pages/MDX files might use components that are used infrequently, or only on a single page. To avoid loading those components on every MDX page, you can use <code>next/dynamic</code> to conditionally load them.

For example, here's how you can change <code>getStaticProps</code> to pass a list of component names, checking the names in the page render function to see which components need to be dynamically loaded.

```
import dynamic from 'next/dynamic'
import Test from '../components/test'

const SomeHeavyComponent = dynamic(() => import('SomeHeavyComponent'))

const defaultComponents = { Test }
```

```
export function SomePage({ mdxSource, componentNames }) {
 const components = {
   ...defaultComponents,
   SomeHeavyComponent: componentNames.includes('SomeHeavyComponent')
     ? SomeHeavyComponent
     : null,
 }
 return <MDXRemote {...mdxSource} components={components} />
}
export async function getStaticProps() {
 const source = `---
 title: Conditional custom components
 Some **mdx** text, with a default component <Test name=\{\text{title}\}/> and a Heavy
component <SomeHeavyComponent />
 const { content, data } = matter(source)
 const componentNames = [
   /<SomeHeavyComponent/.test(content) ? 'SomeHeavyComponent' : null,</pre>
 ].filter(Boolean)
 const mdxSource = await serialize(content)
 return {
   props: {
     mdxSource,
     componentNames,
   },
  }
```