Building An Elixir Package

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Preliminaries

- Cellphone
- Questions

What We'll Discuss

- A Little Background On Elixir
- What We Want In Common Code
- How Elixir Implements What We Want In Common Code

Erlang And Elixir

- The Use Case
 - What does the use case entail?

Erlang And Elixir

- •What doesn't scale:
 - Shared stuff
 - Overly fragile processes

The Problem

Spaces And Long Names

What Does Good Common Code Look Like?

- Secure
- Documented
- Tested
- Versioned
- Ease of install/uninstall

Secure

- API Key
- mix hex.user register
- mix hex.user auth

Select Windows PowerShell

```
PS C:\Users\ocatenacci> mix hex.user register
Username: onoriocatenacci
Email: catenacci@ieee.org
Password:
Password (confirm):
Registering...
```

Documented

- Path of least resistance
- Easy to create, easy to revise
- Insure docs are up to date

```
A runtime error will also be thrown if you attempt to run this
function on a non-Windows OS. Also, the function will throw a run ≀
ime error if you attempt to invoke it on a path that doesn't exi
st. Otherwise, you should specify the directory in the format dri₽
ve:/dir/dir/dir etc. Contrary to the common, mistaken believe for ▶
ward slashes can be used as a directory separator on Windows.
  ## Examples
      iex> Pragmatic.Windows.get short name("c:/nosuchpath")
      ** (RuntimeError) The specified directory "c:/nosuchpath" d≥
oes not exist
      iex> Pragmatic.Windows.get_short_name("c:/program files")
      "c:/PROGRA~1"
      iex> Pragmatic.Windows.get short name("c:/users")
      "c:/Users"
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Tested

- Unit tests
- Type checking

Versioned

- Need to be able to identify version for issues
- Want the user to always pick up the most recent version but also be able to go back to prior versions if needed.
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Ease Of Install/Uninstall

Ideal: only install for project(s) I need it for

In Sum

- Elixir and the Hex.pm toolkit
- Dialyzer
- Semantic Versioning

Questions?