

Week 3

Intro to CMS + Local Environment Setup

Advanced Responsive Web Design



Todo's

Mini Lesson: CMS + Local Environment

Setup

Review Roles & Team Clusters

Sprint Planning #1

If time: finish HTML/CSS exercise

Thurs: Begin with Scrum

Thurs: Review Project & Strategy

Document Part 2

Thurs: Sprint #1 Working Time



CIMS



Refore We Begin

Begin downloading the following TRIAL versions of these programs (links are on class website):

MAMP Pro (Windows/Mac)

Tower (Windows/Mac)

Atom (Windows/Mac)



What is a CMS?

Content Management System

App that supports dynamic creation and modification of digital content

Could support publishing to multiple platforms, including the web





Little to no technical expertise required for editors (development team does not need to be involved day to day)

Multiple editors with different roles

User interface within web browser

Version-controlled content

Easy to create a unified look and feel with established templates



Disadvantages >

Less editor "control" over template customization

Typically requires greater development expertise than a static site or managed site (Squarespace/Wix)





Develop "static" HTML templates and components

Install CMS and set up fields on server

Integrate HTML templates into CMS templates (using fields)

Add content (text, photos, videos, metadata) into the CMS, instead of directly within templates





Examples of Open-Source CMS's



WordPress: free/open-source, installed on 60% of websites (2018), originally created for blogging and expanded.

Drupal: free/open-source, about 5% marketshare, really powerful for complex websites, very active user community

Magento: free/open-source, 2.5%, includes powerful eCommerce platform (paid)





Squarespace: About 2% marketshare, wide variety of stylized templates (popular from small business, portfolios, etc.)

Shopify: About 2% marketshare, created specifically for customizable online storefronts

Wix: About 1% marketshare, similar to Squarespace





Craft CMS (www.craftcms.com)

About 0.2% marketshare, rapid growth

Released in 2012 by Pixel & Tonic

Price ranges from Free (Personal) - \$299 (Pro, one-time)

Craft Commerce can be added for \$999





Pure focus on managing content, no prebuilt templates or themes

Modular design (blocks) allow for flexibility

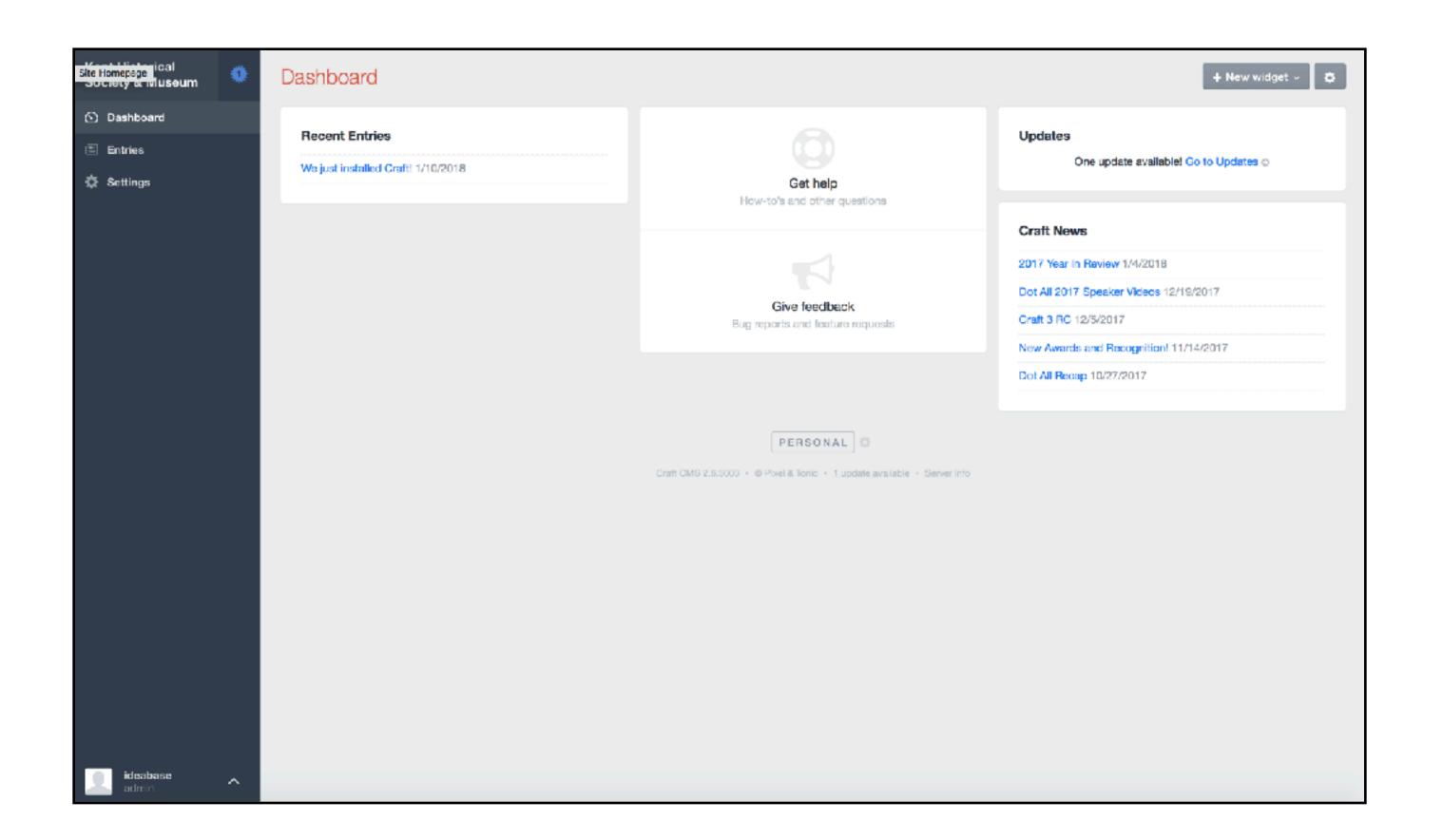
Live Preview, Asset management, Relationships

Responsive Control Panel & Dashboard

Templating Uses Twig (Easy to understand, no PHP required)

https://craftcms.com/features





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User Name: ideabase



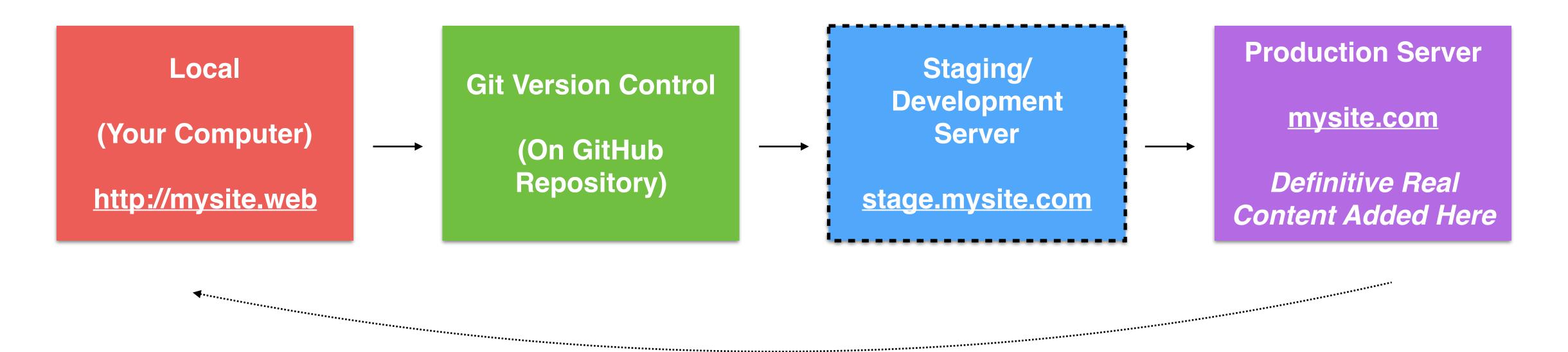


Local Environment Setup





Typical Development Workflow



Occasionally, content must be synced back to local





Why Develop on Local Computer?



Changes you make locally can only be seen accessed by you

Can see design/dev changes immediately (if pushing to production, may take up to 15 minutes to see changes)

Test changes before pushing to production

Everyone can work on website at the same time and Git intelligently merges the changes together





Typical Server Technology (AMP)



Apache (server software)

MySQL (database, stores content)

PHP (scripting language, used in combination with HTML in templates)



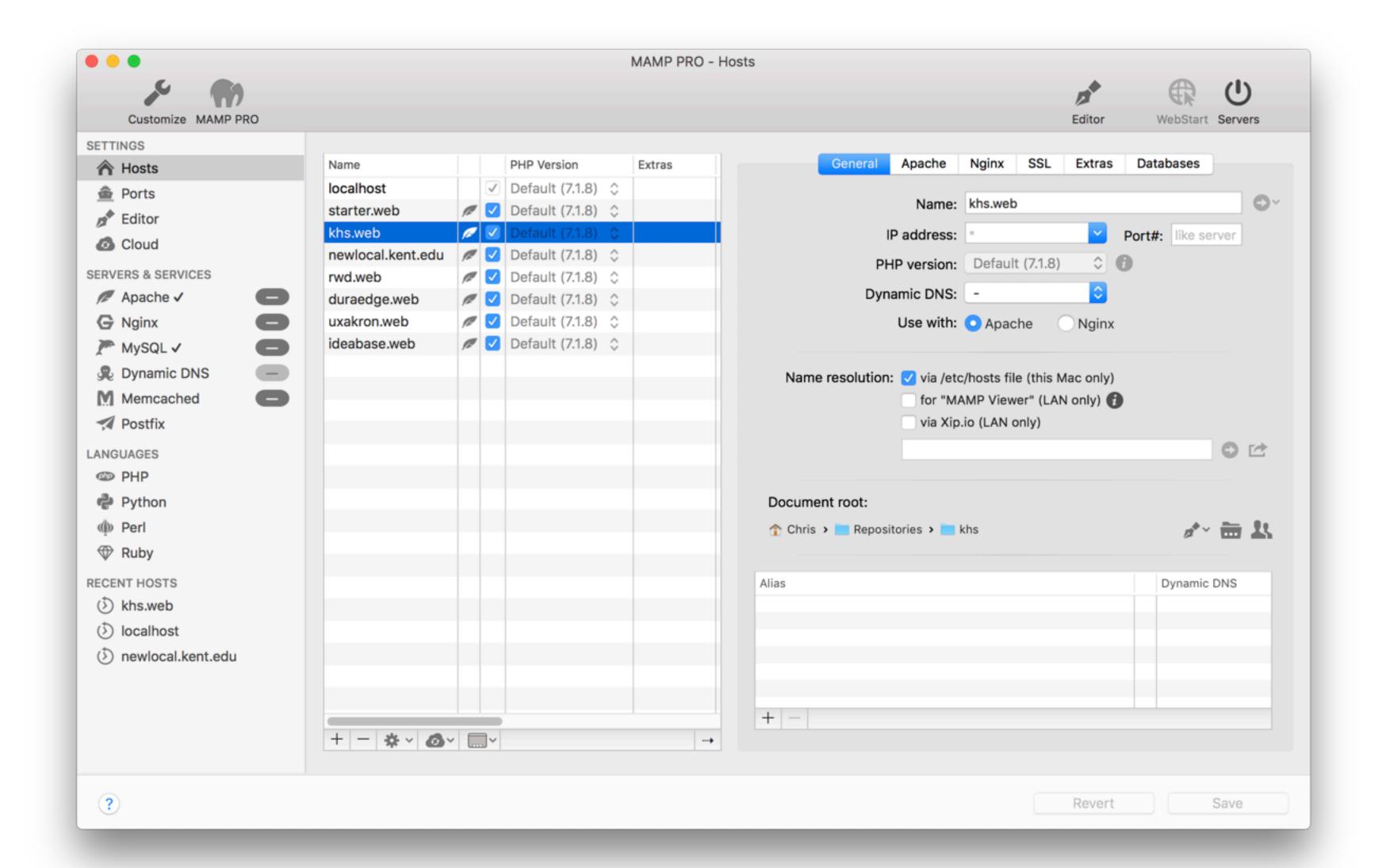


Runs an AMP server stack on your computer

Allows you to create a fake URL to access your website

Must be running and "started" in order to access the local website









Tower

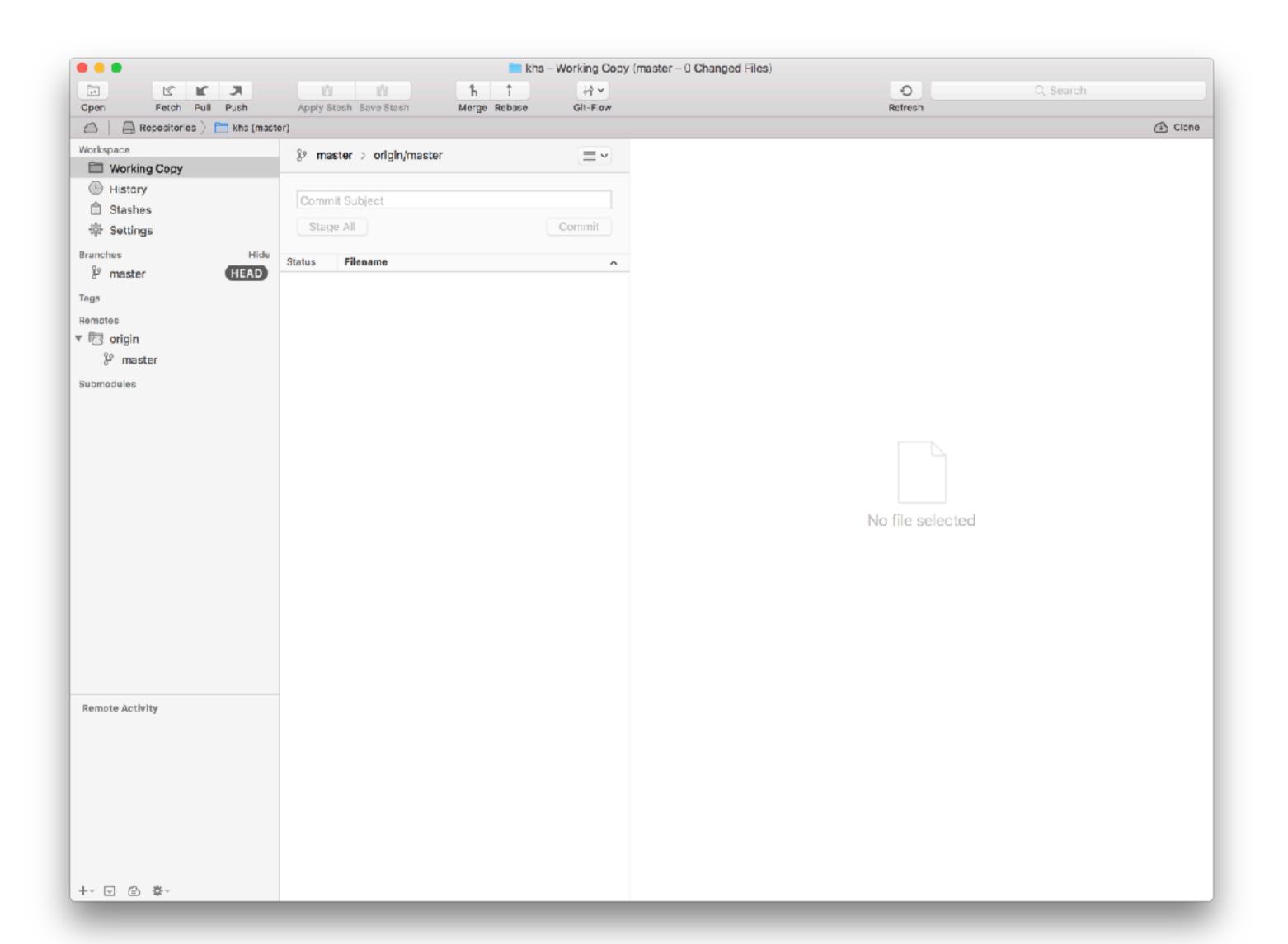


A GUI interface for Git that allows you to "sync" changes that you make with other people's local environments and production.

Must check off the files you changed and then click **Commit** and **Push**

Must Pull changes from others before you can push your own.



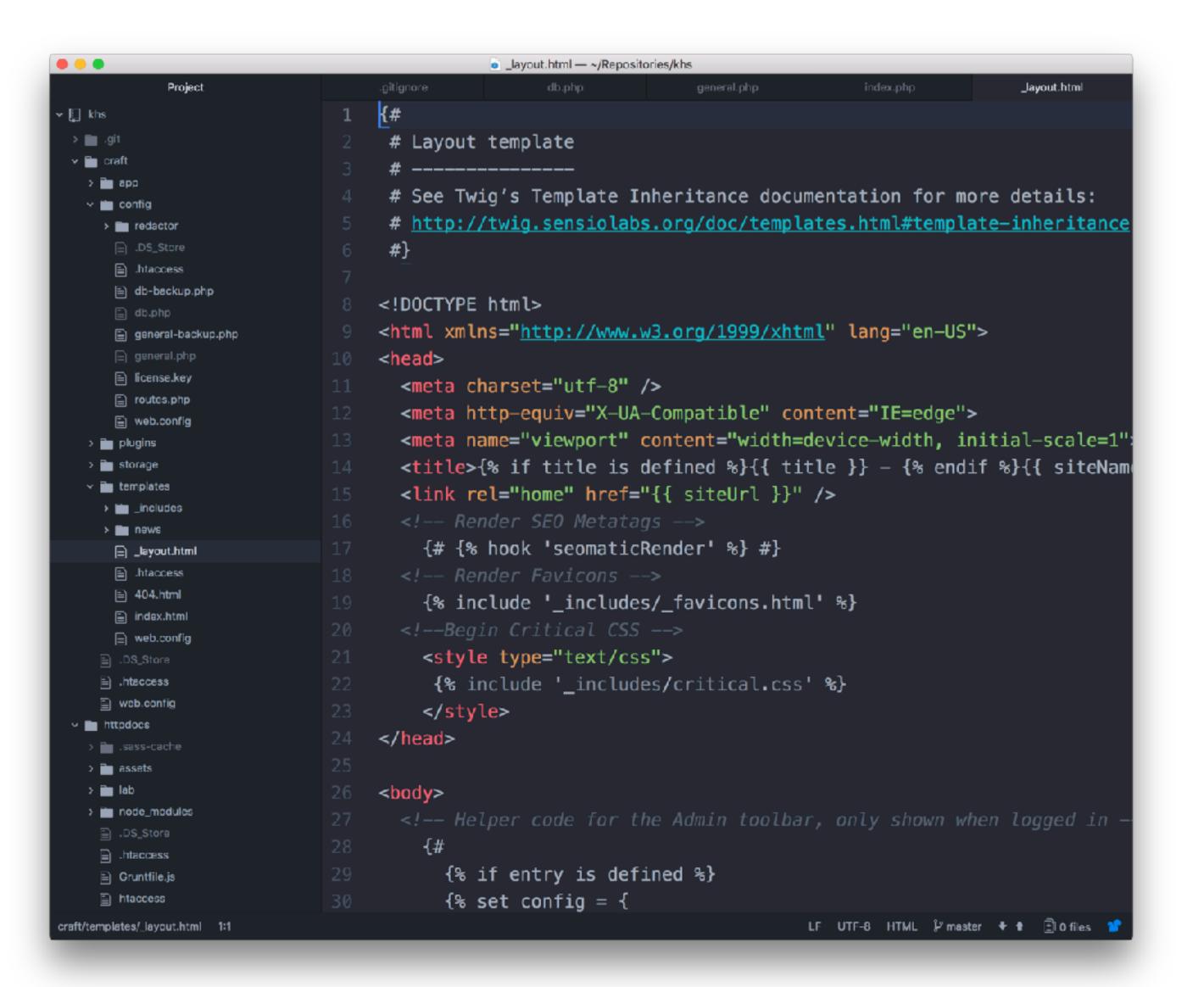




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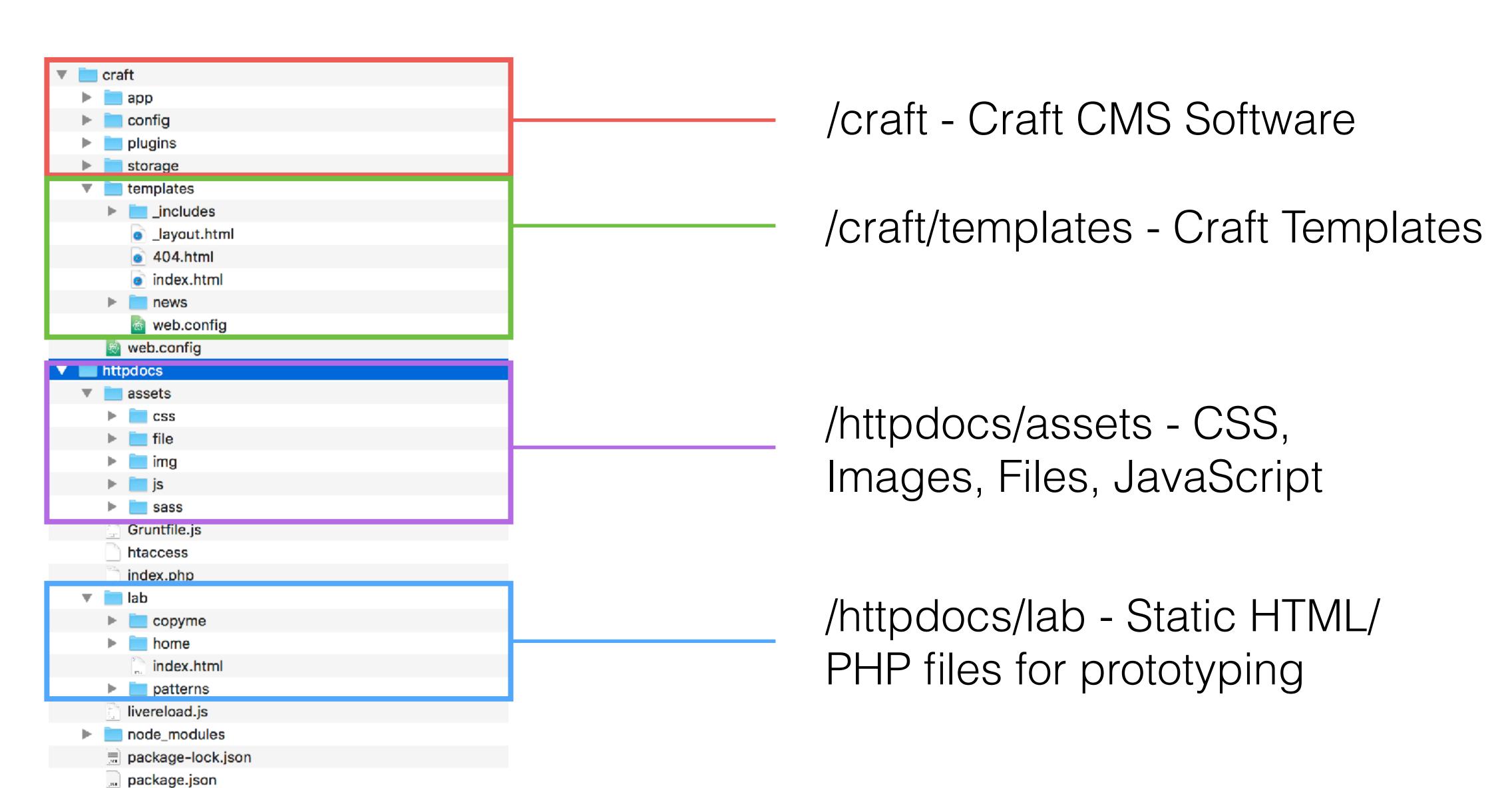
A free, open-source code editor, used to edit both the static and CMS templates (all contained in the same folder)











Hands On Activity

Set Up Local Development Environment
On Your Computer



Upcoming

Thurs: Begin with Scrum

Thurs: Review Project & Strategy

Document Part 2

Thurs: Sprint #1 Working Time

Next Tues: Content Organization + Content

Modeling

Next Thurs: Sprint #1 Items + Survey Due

Next Thurs: First Book Report (Nicole)

