The Twelve-Factor App

Introduction

- Use declarative formats for setup automation, to minimize time and cost for new developers joining the project;
- Have a clean contract with the underlying operating system, offering maximum portability between execution environments;
- Are suitable for deployment on modern cloud platforms, obviating the need for servers and systems administration;
- Minimize divergence between development and production, enabling continuous deployment for maximum agility;
- Can scale up without significant changes to tooling, architecture, or development practices.

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Motivation

- Raise awareness of some systemic problems seen in modern application development.
- Provide a shared vocabulary for discussing those problems.
- Offer a set of broad conceptual solutions to those problems with accompanying terminology.