App Deployment with Fabric

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What is Fabric?

- Python (2.5) Library + Command line tool
- Automate your SSH/Bash tasks
- Local & Remote systems
- Run tasks on multiple systems
- It's lightweight & easy to learn.

What fabric is not.

- Enterprise Configuration Management
- Chef
- Puppet

Sneak Peak

```
from fabric.api import run
```

```
def host_type():
    run('uname -s')
```

To run:

\$ fab -H localhost, user@host host type

Requirements

- Python (2.5 or greater)
- C compiler available (for the SSH libs)
- NOTE: Best on Linux/Unix/OS X
- For more info, see: http://fabfile.org

Installation

- Best bet:
 - pip install fabric
 - easy_install fabric
- Use your favorite Linux package manager:
 - fabric or python-fabric
- Download the source, open a shell, run:
 - python setup.py install

Walkthrough

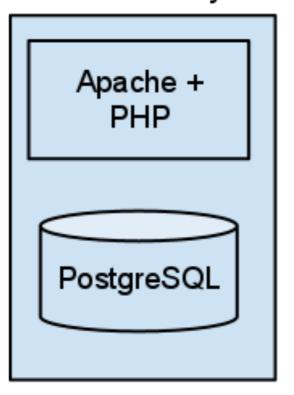
- Install/Upgrade some linux packages
- Pull/Update a PHP app from github
- Update an Apache Config & restart
- Change some file permissions
- Create a database/run some SQL

Assumptions

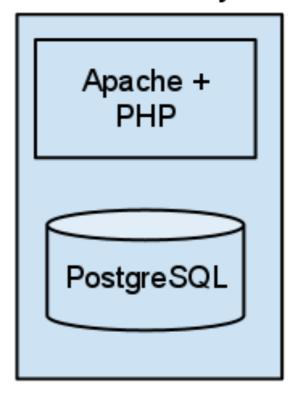
- You've got a Linux Server (ubuntu)
- Running Apache/mod_php
- Your app's on github
- Servers' have domain names or you've got appropriate names in /etc/hosts
 - I'll reference: demo1 and demo2

Demo Arch.

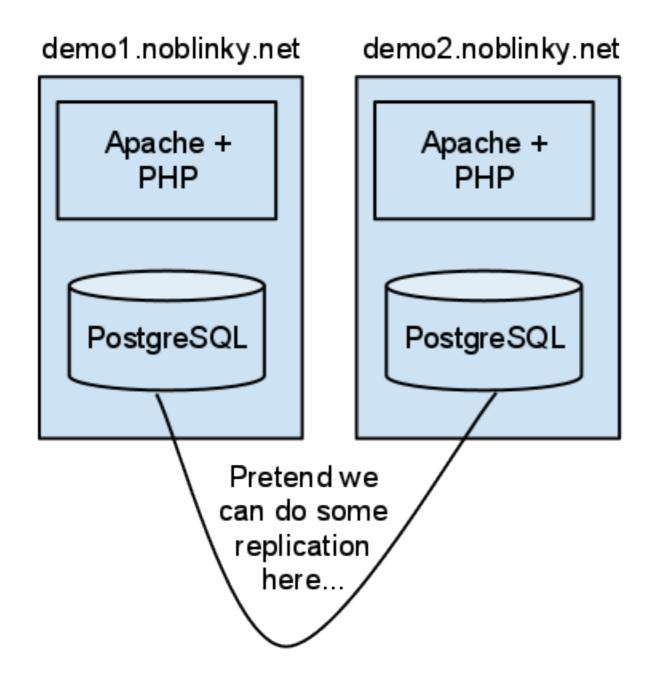
demo1.noblinky.net



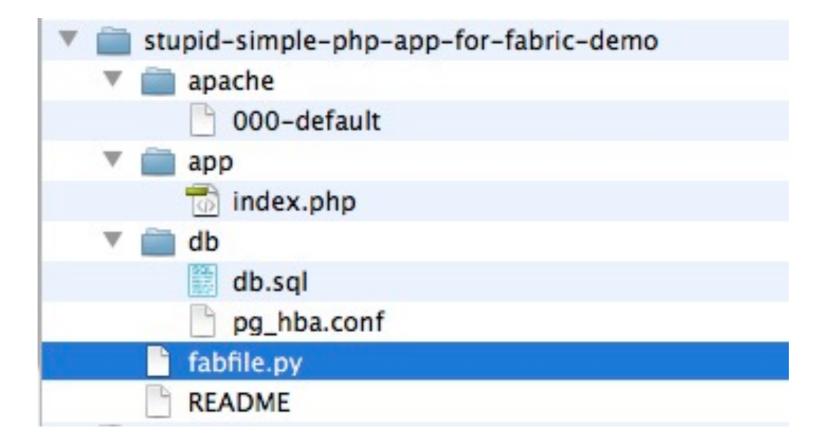
demo2.noblinky.net



Demo Arch.



Our App...



Our App...

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
<head><title>hello world</title></head>
<body>
<h1>
<?php
    echo 'Hello World!';
?>
</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

Install some packages

Add this function to fabfile.py

```
def install_packages():
    """ Install a bare minimum LAMP stack """
    run('apt-get install aptitude')
    run('aptitude update')
    run('aptitude upgrade')
    run('aptitude install libapache2-mod-php5 php5 git')
    run('aptitude install postgresql php5-pgsql')

$ fab -H root@demo1 install_packages

$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 \
    install packages
```

Deploy your code

```
def deploy():
    """ Deploy our app by pulling it from github """
    # NOTE: Python's "with" statement is a "context manager".
   # All the following commands will be prefixed with
    # "cd /path/to/ && "
   # Make sure our app directory exists.
    if not exists("/home/web/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo/"):
        run("mkdir -p /home/web/")
       with cd("/home/web/"):
            run("git clone git://github.com/bradmontgomery/
                 stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo.git")
    else:
        with cd("/home/web/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo"):
            # Fetch & Merge from the remote repo
            run('git pull git://github.com/bradmontgomery/
                 stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo.git')
```

\$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 deploy

Change file permissions

```
def set_file_permissions():
    """ Sets the appropriate read/execute permissions """
    with cd("/home/web/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo/"):
        run("chmod -R 0755 app/")
        run("chown -R root:www-data app/")

$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 \
    set_file_permissions
```

Change Apache's config

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
    ServerAdmin webmaster@localhost
    DocumentRoot /home/web/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo/app
    <Directory />
            Options FollowSymLinks
            AllowOverride None
    </Directory>
    <Directory /home/web/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo/app/>
            Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
            AllowOverride None
            Order allow, deny
            allow from all
    </Directory>
    ErrorLog ${APACHE LOG DIR}/error.log
    LogLevel warn
    CustomLog ${APACHE LOG DIR}/access.log combined
</VirtualHost>
```

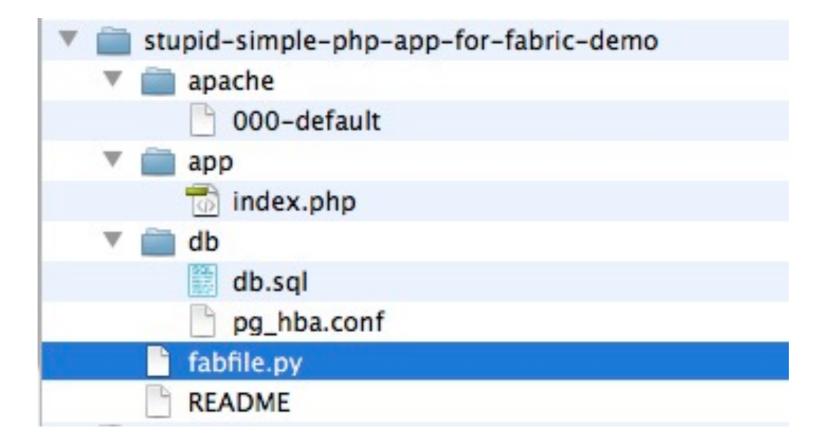
Change Apache's config

```
def set apache config():
    """ Replace's apache's default config file
    # Delete the existing default config file.
    if exists("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default"):
        run("rm /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default")
    # Symlink the apache config in our app
    with cd("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/"):
        run("ln -s /home/web/.../apache/000-default .")
        run("apachectl restart")
$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 \
  set apache config
```

Backup/Revert

```
def backup():
   """ Make a tarball snapshot of the deployed codebase
   with cd("/home/web/"):
      run("tar -czf /root/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo.tgz
           stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo/")
def revert():
   """ Revert the codebase from a backup
   if exists("/root/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo.tgz"):
      with cd("/home/web/"):
          run("tar -xzf /root/stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo.tgz")
$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 backup;
$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 deploy;
$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 revert;
```

Our App...



Update our App...

```
<h1><?php echo 'Hello World!'; ?></h1>
<hr/>
<?php
    $conn = pg connect(
           "host=localhost dbname=appdb user=dbuser");
    $result = pg query("SELECT * FROM things");
    $rows = pg fetch all($result);
    if($rows) {
       echo '';
       foreach($rows as $item) {
           echo '' . $item['name'] . '';
       echo '';
?>
</body></html>
```

db/db.sql

```
DROP TABLE things;

CREATE TABLE things (
    id serial PRIMARY KEY,
    name character varying(255)
);

INSERT INTO things (name) VALUES ('puppies');
INSERT INTO things (name) VALUES ('kittens');
INSERT INTO things (name) VALUES ('butterflies');
INSERT INTO things (name) VALUES ('ninja stars');
```

Set up a database

\$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 db_setup

Deploy an Update

\$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 deploy

Maintenance Mode

```
def down():
    """ put the site into *maintenance mode*
    # put an "out of order" page in place
    if exists("/home/web/.../app/down.html"):
        run("cat /home/web/.../app/down.html >
             /var/www/index.html")
    # Update Apache config
   with cd("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/"):
        if exists("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default"):
            run("rm /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default")
        run("ln -s /home/web/.../apache/down down")
        run("apachectl restart")
```

\$ fab -H root@demo1, root@demo2 down

Maintenance Mode

```
def up():
    """ pull the site out of *maintenance mode* """
    # replace the production apache config
    with cd("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/"):
        if exists("/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/down"):
            run("rm /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/down")
        run("ln -s /home/web/.../apache/000-default 000-default")
        run("apachectl restart")
```

\$ fab -H root@demo1, root@demo2 up

host env

Sick of typing this?

\$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 up

host env

```
$ fab -H root@demo1,root@demo2 up
  from fabric.api import cd, env, run
  env.hosts = ['root@demo1@noblinky.net',
               'root@demo2@noblinky.net', ]
  def host type():
      run('uname -s')
```

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\$ fab host type

For More...

- See fabric's help: fab --help
- See available commands: fab --list
- http://fabfile.org/
- Grab the examples:
 - https://github.com/bradmontgomery/ stupid-simple-php-app-for-fabric-demo

