Phoenix in the Cloud

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Cloud Deployment

For certain values of Cloud

- Heroku
- Cloud Foundry

Heroku

- Free plan
 - 1 web dyno
 - 1 worker dyno
 - PostgreSQL
 - Redis

Heroku

- Super easy deploy
- Easy to get started
- But slow to start the app on free plan
- And expensive to scale up

Getting Started with Heroku

- Git repo with Phoenix app
- Install toolbelt (https://toolbelt.heroku.com/)

Create Heroku app

Creating mysterious-meadow-6277... done, stack is cedar-14
Buildpack set. Next release on mysterious-meadow-6277 will use https://github.com/HashNuke/heroku-buildpack-elixir.git.https://mysterious-meadow-6277.herokuapp.com/ | https://git.heroku.com/mysterious-meadow-6277.git
Git remote heroku added

\$ heroku create --buildpack "https://github.com/HashNuke/heroku-buildpack-elixir.git"

Add static buildpack

\$ heroku buildpacks:add https://github.com/gjaldon/heroku-buildpack-phoenix-static.git

Buildpack added. Next release on mysterious-meadow-6277 will use:

- 1. https://github.com/HashNuke/heroku-buildpack-elixir.git
- 2. https://github.com/gjaldon/heroku-buildpack-phoenix-static.git Run `git push heroku master` to create a new release using these buildpacks.

Use environment variables

12 factor apps are configured via env vars

http://12factor.net/

System.get_env("MY_SPECIAL_ENV_VAR")

config/prod.exs

```
config :hello_phoenix, HelloPhoenix.Endpoint,
  http: [port: {:system, "PORT"}],
  url: [host: "example.com", port: 80],
  cache_static_manifest: "priv/static/manifest.json",

# retrieve environment variable
  secret_key_base: System.get_env("SECRET_KEY_BASE")
```

config/prod.exs

```
# Configure your database
config :hello phoenix, HelloPhoenix.Repo,
  adapter: Ecto.Adapters.Postgres,
    # retrieve environment variable
  url: System.get env("DATABASE URL"),
  pool size: 20,
  ssl: true
```

config/prod.exs

Replace:

```
url: [host: "example.com", port: 80],
```

with:

```
url: [scheme: "https", host: "mysterious-meadow-6277.herokuapp.com", port: 443],
force_ssl: [rewrite_on: [:x_forwarded_proto]],
```

Other things to remember

Reduce websocket timeout below herokus 55s limit

Add DB:

heroku addons:create heroku-postgresql:hobby-dev

Set secret key base env var

\$ mix phoenix.gen.secret

xvafzY4y01jYuzLm3ecJqo008dVnU3CN4f+MamNd1Zue4pXvfvUjbiXT8akaIF53

\$ heroku config:set SECRET_KEY_BASE="xvafzY4y01jYuzLm3ecJqo008dVnU3CN4f+MamNd1Zue4pXvfvUjbiXT8akaIF53"

Setting config vars and restarting mysterious-meadow-6277... done, v3
SECRET KEY BASE: xvafzY4y01jYuzLm3ecJqo008dVnU3CN4f+MamNd1Zue4pXvfvUjbiXT8akaIF53

Deploy!

```
$ git push heroku master
Counting objects: 55, done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (49/49), done.
Writing objects: 100% (55/55), 48.48 KiB | 0 bytes/s, done.
Total 55 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
remote: Compressing source files... done.
remote: Building source:
remote:
remote: ----> Multipack app detected
remote: ----> Fetching custom git buildpack... done
remote: ----> elixir app detected
remote: ----> Checking Erlang and Elixir versions
. . .
```

CloudFoundry Deployment

- Uses similar buildpacks
- Deploy with CF CLI
- https://github.com/DylanGriffith/cloudfoundry-phoenix

Quick start

\$ cf push APPNAME -b https://github.com/joshprice/cloudfoundry-buildpack-elixir

- uses default config of buildpack
- uses default start command ie. mix phoenix. server
- uses default for instances and mem/disk

Add a manifest file

instances: 1
memory: 128M
disk_quota: 512M
buildpack: https://github.com/joshprice/cloudfoundry-buildpack-elixir

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command: mix phoenix.server

elixir_buildpack.config

```
erlang_version=18.2.1
elixir_version=1.2.4
always_rebuild=false
```

My buildpack has the latest as the default

Don't upload everything

- Adda.cfignore file
- \$ cp .gitignore .cfignore
- Protip: don't upload node_modules

Buildpack internals tour

Oh my goodness it's full of shell scripts!

Resources

- http://www.phoenixframework.org/docs/heroku
- https://github.com/DylanGriffith/cloudfoundry-phoenix
- https://github.com/HashNuke/heroku-buildpack-elixir
- https://github.com/gjaldon/heroku-buildpack-phoenix-static
- https://github.com/gogolok/cloudfoundry-buildpack-elixir
- https://github.com/joshprice/cloudfoundry-buildpack-elixir

Questions?