## Learn Dashing Widget in 90 minutes

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#### Introduction

Dashing is a Sinatra based framework that lets you build beautiful dashboards.

#### Key features:

- Use premade widgets, or fully create your own with scss, html, and coffeescript.
- Widgets harness the power of data bindings to keep things DRY and simple. Powered by batman.js.
- Use the API to push data to your dashboards, or make use of a simple ruby DSL for fetching data.
- Drag & Drop interface for re-arranging your widgets.



Dashing >••

Source http://shopify.github.io/dashing

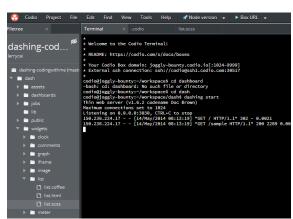


#### Environment

- Ruby environment (Ruby 1.9.x+, Node.Js 0.10+)
- Ubuntu 14.04
  - \$ sudo apt-get install ruby, ruby-dev, gem
  - \$ sudo apt-get install bundler, g++,make,
  - \$ sudo apt-get install nodejs
  - \$ sudo gem install dashing

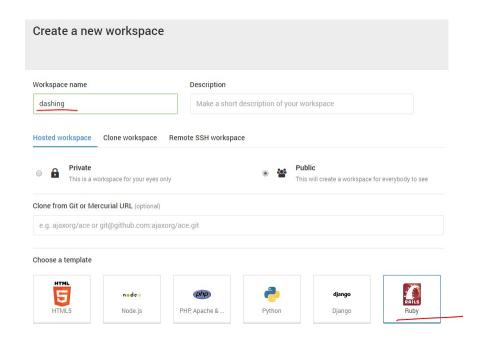


- http://virtualboxes.org/
- http://virtualboxes.org/images/ubuntu-server/
- Or use online service for exercise http://c9.io , http://codio.com



## Environment using c9.io

- https://c9.io/
  - New Ruby workspace
- In console: gem install dashing



## Exercise 1: Install Dashing

- Create new dashboard
  - \$ dashing new dashboard
  - ▶ \$ cd dashboard
- Remove twitter (need both)
  - Comment out twitter in Gemfile
  - Delete twitter.rb in jobs (dir)
- Start it
  - \$ bundle
  - \$ dashing start -p 8080 # default is 3030
- Point your browser to http://localhost:8080
- Or Run panel (if c9.io)
- 1. Run the project with the "Run Project" button in the menu bar on top of the IDE
- Preview your new app by clicking on the URL that appears in the Run panel below (https://dashing2larrycai.c9users.io/).



## Widget

Dashboard : dashboard/sample.erb (ruby template)

```
data-row="1" data-col="1" data-sizex="1" data-sizey="1">
        <div data-id="valuation" data-view="Number" data-title="Current Valuation" data-moreinfo="In billions" data-prefix="$"></div>
        div>
```

- Dashboard is created with widgets
  - Pre-made 50+ widgets (market place)
  - Create own widget using css/html
- Widget (set of related files)
  - widget\number\number.html -View (html)
  - widget\number\number.scss Style (css)
  - widget\number\number.coffee Data (coffeescript)



#### Dashboard



Widget

## Exercise 2: Add new widget

- Generate `log` widget
  - \$ dashing generate widget log
- Add into Dashboard
  - # update sample.erb

```
data-row="1" data-col="1" data-sizex="2" data-sizey="1">
    <div data-id="log" data-view="Log" data-title="Monitor logs" data-value="Hello World"></div>
```

- Check log.html
- Change data-view from Log to Text
  - View can be used in other widget "instance" /"object"
  - !! Log shall be capitalized for data-view !!!



https://gist.github.com/larrycai/79cf4c63927957a37eba/a909ff38b411eff8cf714c29973a7dc26d9f309e



## Exercise 3: Update the view

### Update log.html

#### Update log.scss

- Copy the view using list widget css (list.scss -> log.scss)
- Change inside .widget-list -> .widget-log



## Data in Dashing

► Each widget has the data-id (like log), which provides the URL access point to update the data

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    <div data-id="log" data-view="Log" data-title="Monitor logs" data-value="Hello World"></div>
```

- Push data to dashing using REST API (see bottom)
  - \$ curl -d '{ "auth\_token": "YOUR\_AUTH\_TOKEN", "title":
     "Current Hour Rate" }' http://<your url>/widgets/log

#### Exercise 4: Control the Data

- Update the data using curl for welcome message
  - Find in the bottom of your dashboard (remove 443, \ front of http)

Try this: curl -d '{ "auth\_token": "YOUR\_AUTH\_TOKEN", "text": "Hey, Look what I can do!" }' \http://dashing-larrycai.c9users.io:443/widgets/welcome

- Update the data using curl for log
- \$ curl -d '{ "auth\_token": "YOUR\_AUTH\_TOKEN", "access": "100",
  "event2":"87"}' http://<url>/widgets/log
- Update the data using curl for log
- # Save the request into log.json
- \$ curl -d @log.json http://<url>/widgets/log
- Write your own script from anywhere!! (homework)

## Data in Dashing (more)

- Push data from anywhere using any language besides curl
  - i.e. Python in jenkins job
- Push data in dashing jobs (ruby)
  - jobs/sample.rb





## CoffeeScript

 CofferScript is like javascript to control views when data comes (like color) (log.coffeescript)

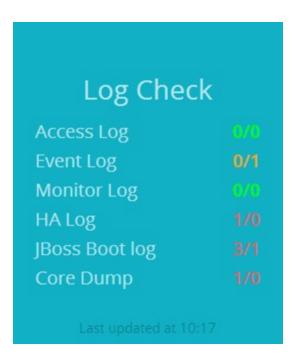
```
class Dashing.Number extends Dashing.Widget
 @accessor 'current', Dashing.AnimatedValue
 @accessor 'difference', ->
                                                     <h1 class="title" data-bind="title"></h1>
   if @get('last')
                                                     <h2 class="value" data-bind="current"></h2>
     last = parseInt(@get('last'))
     current = parseInt(@get('current'))
                                                     if last != 0
                                                      <i data-bind-class="arrow"></i><span data-bind="difference"></span)</pre>
       diff = Math.abs(Math.round((current - last)
       "#{diff}%"
                                                     class="updated-at" data-bind="updatedAtMessage">
 @accessor 'arrow', ->
   if @get('last')
     if parseInt(@get('current')) > parseInt(@get('last')) then 'icon-arrow-up'
   else 'icon-arrow-down'
 onData: (data) ->
   if data.status
     # clear existing "status-*" classes
     $(@get('node')).attr 'class', (i,c) ->
       c.replace /\bstatus-\S+/g, ''
     # add new class
     $(@get('node')).addClass "status-#{data.status}"
```

# (Skipped) Exercise 5: Update the color with data

- <error>/<warning> if there is error, it is red, if there is warning, it is yellow. Otherwise green
- Use css class to change the color

```
# log.coffee
  ready: ->
# This is fired when the widget is done being rendered

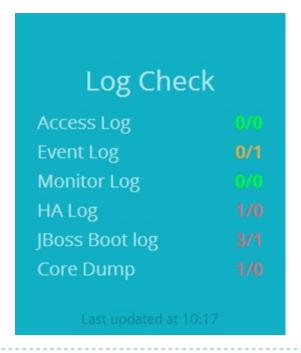
onData: (data) ->
# Fired when you receive data
  for key, value of data
    break if key in ["id", "updatedAt"]
    id = $(@node).find("##{key}")
    console.log(id)
    [error, warning] = value.split("/")
    if error != "0"
        id.attr("class", "value-error")
```



Use chrome developer to debug ...

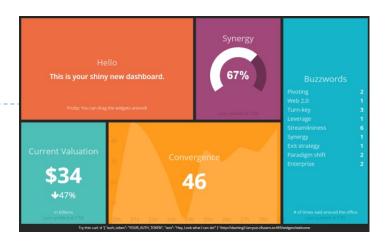
## (Skipped) Exercise 6: Pull data in jobs

- Write log job to simulate fetching the log and send event to widget
- \$ dashing generate job log
- Update the data in every 5 second with random data
- Check sample.rb



### Summary

- Dashing is a Radiator framework
- Dashboard consists of Widgets
- Widget:
  - Connect with widget view (html/css) (may share one) coffeescript is used to update view when data comes
  - Connect with widget id (expose as HTTP/REST API)
- Update Dashboards can be done
  - HTTP/REST API using any language
  - Or internal ruby based jobs (crontab) inside Dashing



#### Reference

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- http://dashing.challengepost.com/submissions
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- Log widget gist: https://gist.github.com/larrycai/79cf4c63927957a37eba