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Project Report: LocalHost

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1 Deployment

LocalHost is deployed using *Amazon Web Services* on an *Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud* instance with the following specifications.

```
OS: Ubuntu 18.04.1 LTS x86_64
Host: HVM domU 4.2.amazon
Kernel: 4.15.0-1023-aws
CPU: Intel Xeon E5-2676 v3 (1) @ 2.4
GPU: Cirrus Logic GD 5446
Memory: 983MiB
```

1.1 Amazon Web Services Configuration

After creating an instance, the only port on the server accessible from the internet is 22 (SSH). For the server to accept web requests, ports 80 (HTTP) and 443 (SSL) must be opened. This can be done by navigating to the dashboard, selecting the running *Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud* instance, and selecting *launch-wizard*. A tab will then appear at the bottom of the page and will contain a form that can open ports.

1.2 Software

The default user account provided on an *Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud* instance running *Ubuntu* is *ubuntu* and the following commands rely on this assumption. Commands requiring sudo privileges are prepended with *#* and commands executed under user permissions are prepended with *\$*.

1.2.1 Repository

To ease updating, an SSH key will be generated to authenticate the server when accessing the repository.

```
$ ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_rsa):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in id_rsa.
Your public key has been saved in id_rsa.pub.
```

After adding */home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_rsa.pub* to *BitBucket* the repository can then be cloned.

```
$ git clone git@bitbucket.org:jtalowell/localhost.git
/home/ubuntu/localhost
```

1.2.2 Django & Immediate Dependencies

Django and its immediate dependencies must be installed.

```
$ cd /home/ubuntu/localhost
$ python -m venv venv
$ source venv/bin/activate
$ (venv) pip install -r requirements.txt
```

1.2.3 PostgreSQL

PostgreSQL must be installed and its accompanying system service enabled.

```
# apt install postgresql postgresql-contrib
# systemctl enable postgresql.service
# systemctl start postgresql.service
```

The database cluster must be created.

```
$ sudo -u postgres -i
[postgres]$ /usr/lib/postgresql/10/bin/initdb -D
'/var/lib/postgresql/data'
```

A user to administer the database cluster must be created.

```
[postgres]$ createuser --interactive
Enter name of role to add: ubuntu
Shall the new role be a superuser? (y/n) y
[postgres]$ exit
```

The database to use for the project can now be created.

```
$ createdb localhost_db
$ sudo -u postgres -i
[postgres]$ psql
postgres=# \password ubuntu
Enter new password: [DB_PW]
Enter it again: [DB_PW]
postgres=# GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON DATABASE localhost_db TO ubuntu;
postgres=# ALTER ROLE ubuntu SET client_encoding TO 'utf8';
postgres=# ALTER ROLE ubuntu SET default_transaction_isolation TO
'read committed';
```

```
postgres=# \q
[postgres]$ exit
```

1.2.4 Redis

Ubuntu's package for *Redis* works without any extended configuration and its services are automatically started and enabled.

```
# apt install redis-server
```

1.2.5 Daphne

Daphne is installed as one of *Django*'s immediate dependencies. The only thing left is to register a service script with *Systemd*.

```
# ln -sf /home/ubuntu/localhost/deploy/systemd/daphne.service
    /etc/systemd/system
# nano /etc/systemd/system/daphne.service
```

The environment variables for `SECRET_KEY`, `DB_USER`, and `DB_PW` must be set prior to enabling. Below `Environment="DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE=localhost.settings_production"` add:

```
Environment="SECRET_KEY=YOUR KEY HERE"
Environment="DB_USER=ubuntu"
Environment="DB_PW=YOUR DB PASSWORD HERE"
```

1.2.6 Gunicorn

1.2.7 NGINX

1.2.8 Maintenance