What the hell is PhoneGap?

A 30 minute primer



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The PhoneGap Story

code, community, and beer



Nitobi

Tiny web consultancy Vancouver, Canada Founded in 1998

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Objective-C > iOS

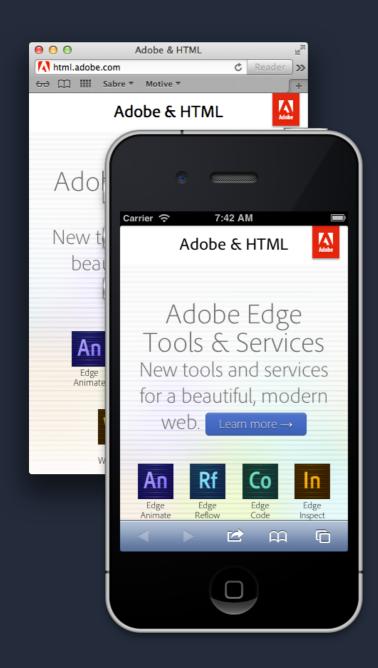
Java > Android

Java > BlackBerry

.NET > Windows CE

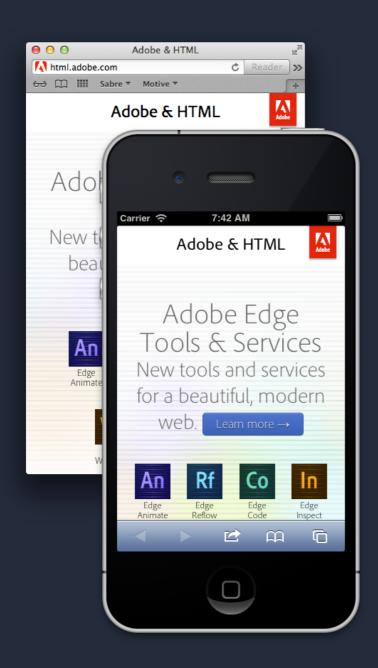
HTML > webOS

People want the same app on every device.



The Web

Solved this long ago Looks identical everywhere



Web Apps

Not installable No offline mode Limited functionality Browser quirks

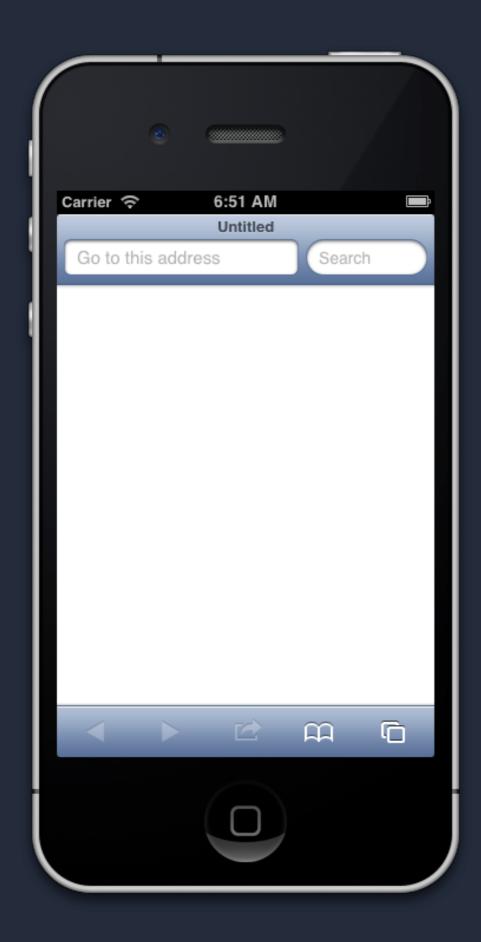


PhoneGap

Installable web
Supports offline
Extends functionality
Polyfills browser



Native application



Native application Fullscreen browser instance



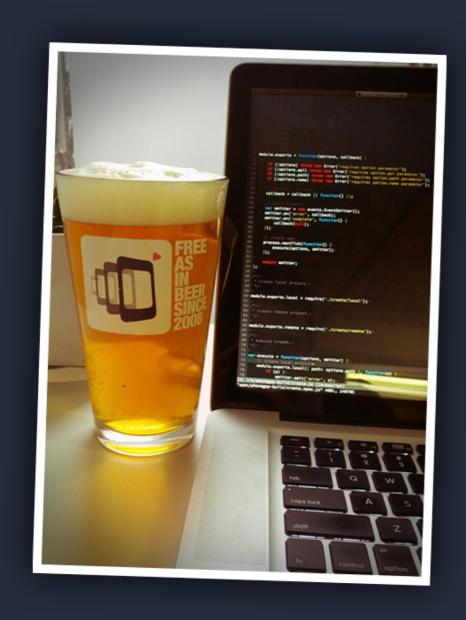
Native application Fullscreen browser instance Without an interface



Native application Fullscreen browser instance Without an interface Loading local HTML file



Native application
Fullscreen browser instance
Without an interface
Loading local HTML file
Binding JavaScript-to-Native



Open Sourced

Free as in beer in 2008 Licensed Apache 2.0

Fast forward to 2015

80+ contributors 100+ community groups 523,685 new users in 2014 10-20% of app store top free 100

PhoneGap Today

in three parts



Apache Cordova

Hybrid app development engine

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Phone Gap

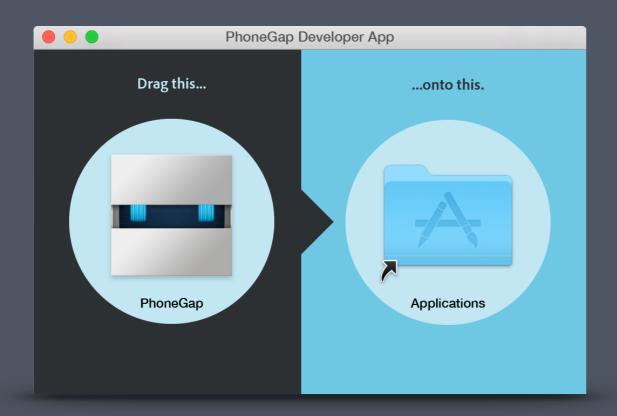
Hybrid mobile development

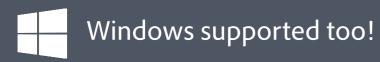
Command-line Interface

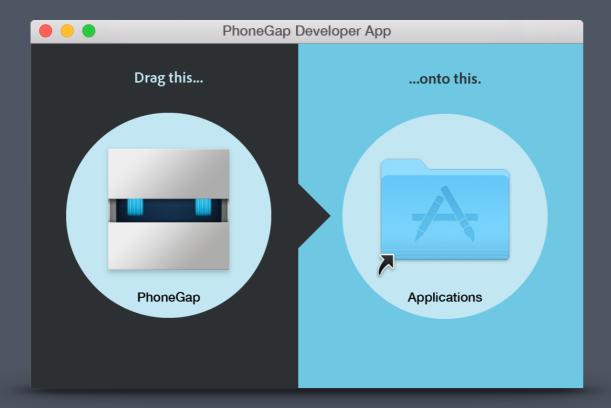
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sandbox:mwbrooks $ npm install -g phonegap sandbox:mwbrooks $ phonegap create my-app sandbox:mwbrooks $ cd my-app/my-app:mwbrooks $ phonegap serve [phonegap] starting app server...
[phonegap] listening on 192.168.37.152:3000 [phonegap]
[phonegap] ctrl-c to stop the server [phonegap]
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Terminal not your kinda window?

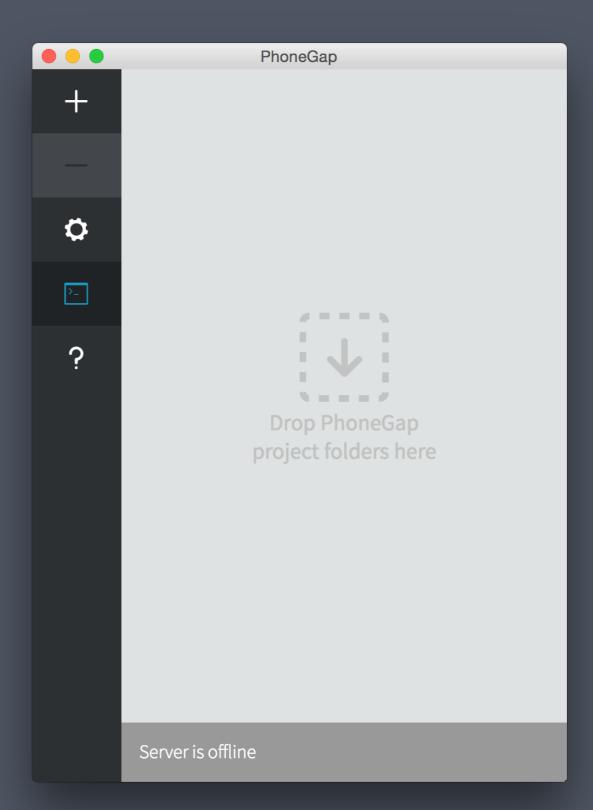
Try the PhoneGap Desktop app

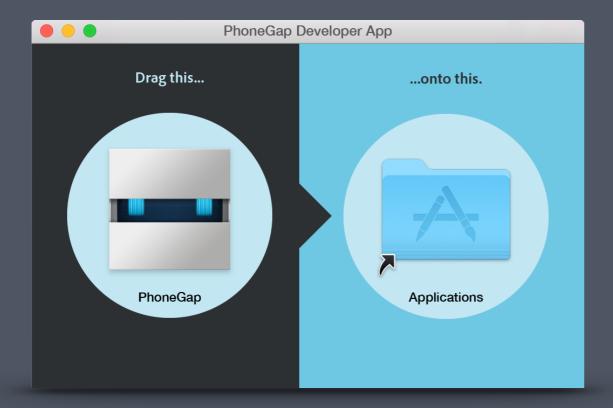




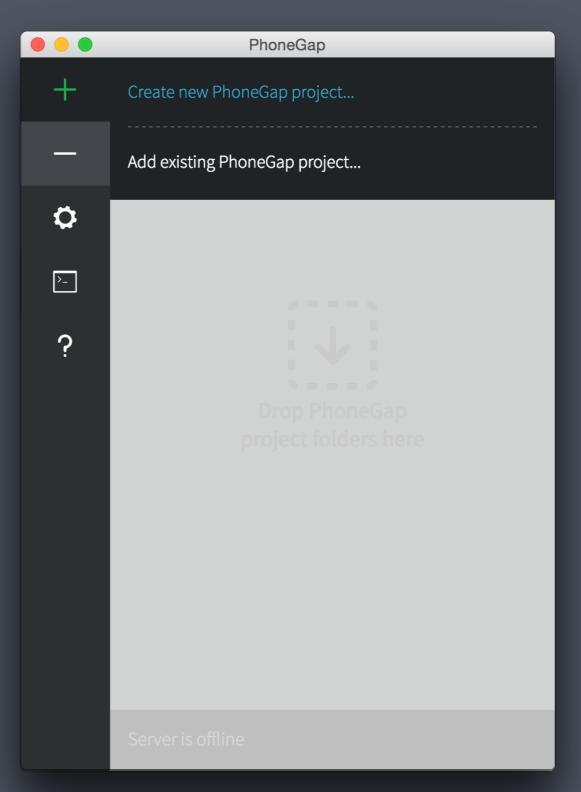


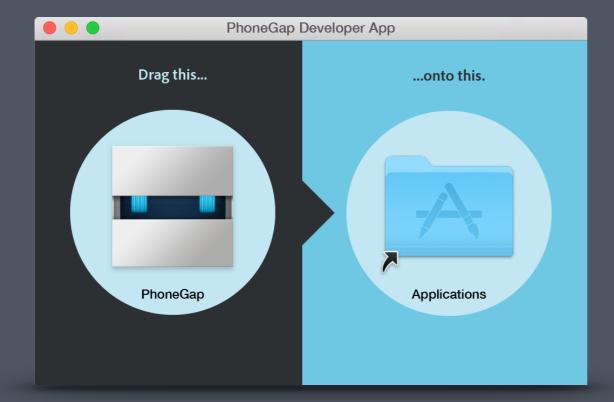




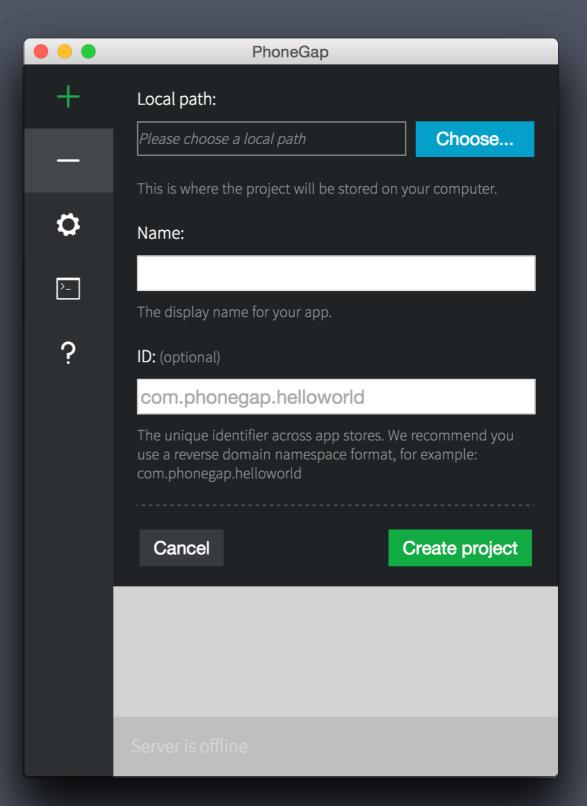


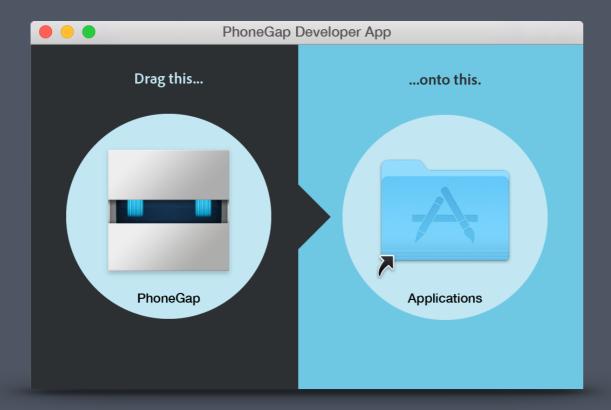




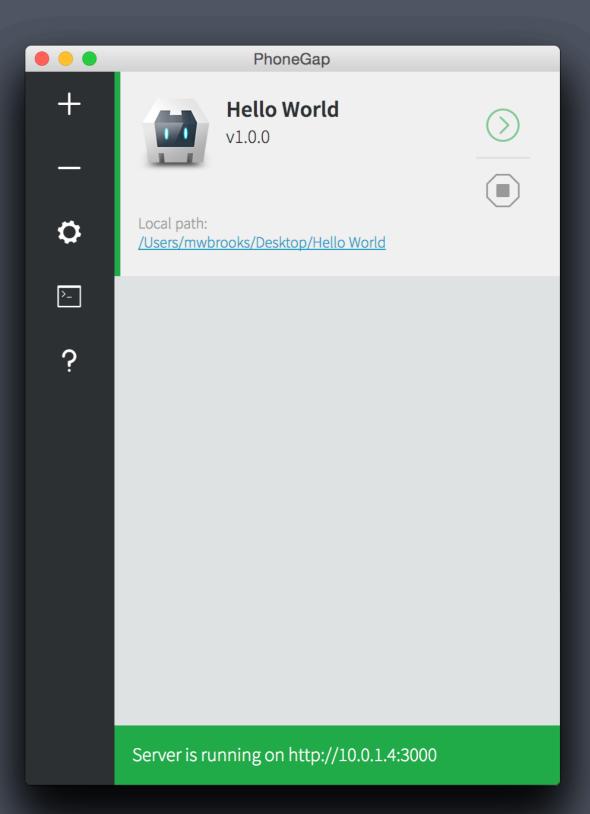


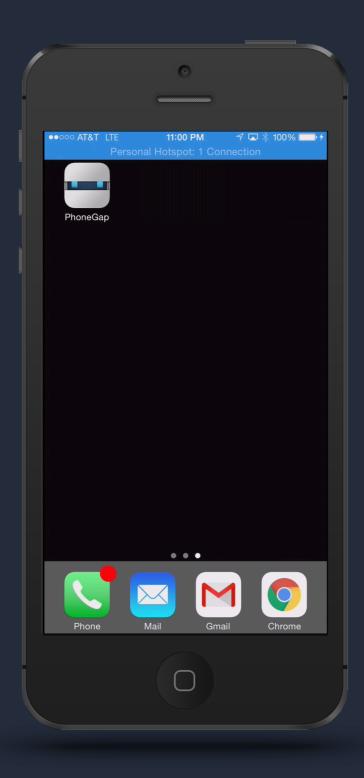








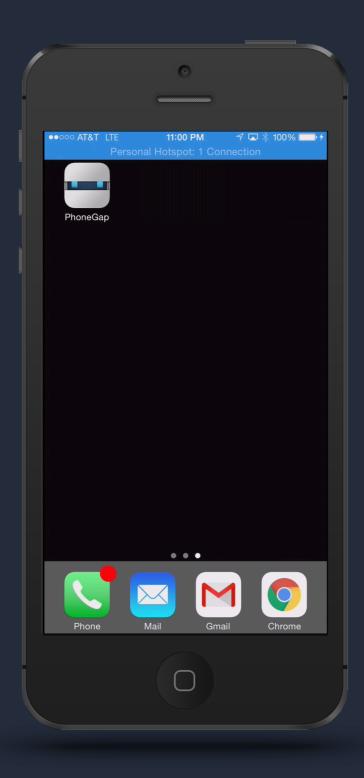








































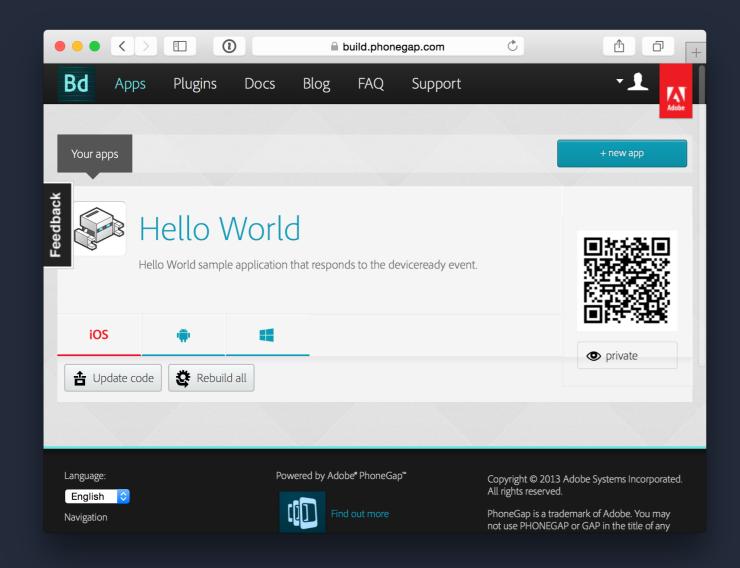












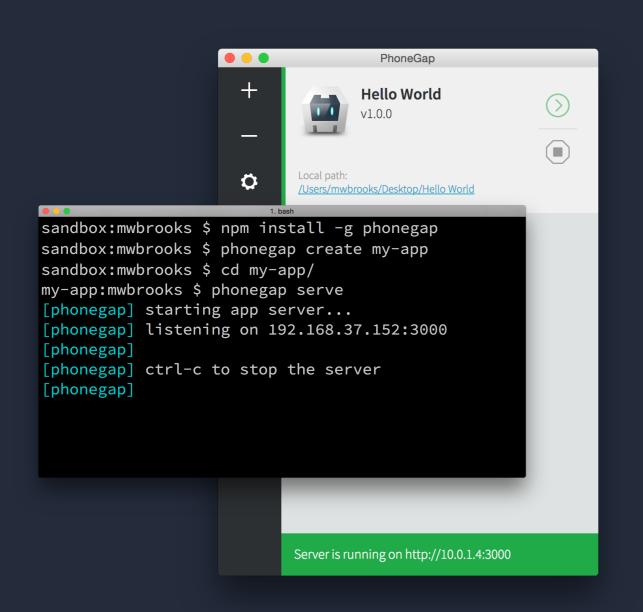
PhoneGap Build cloud compiler





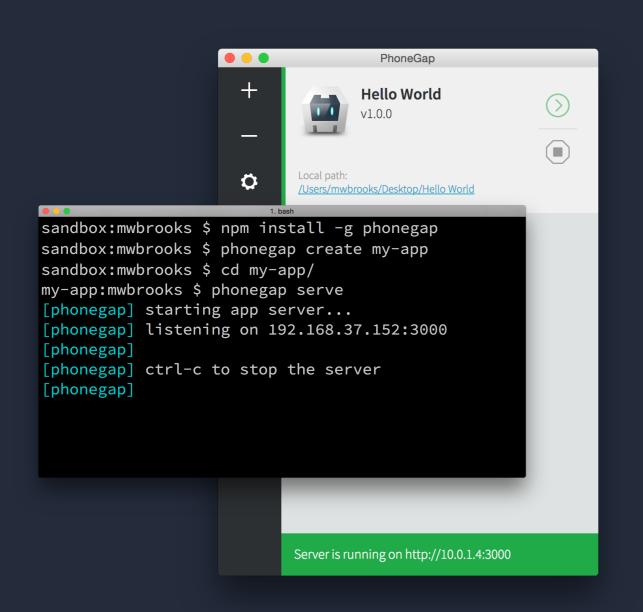


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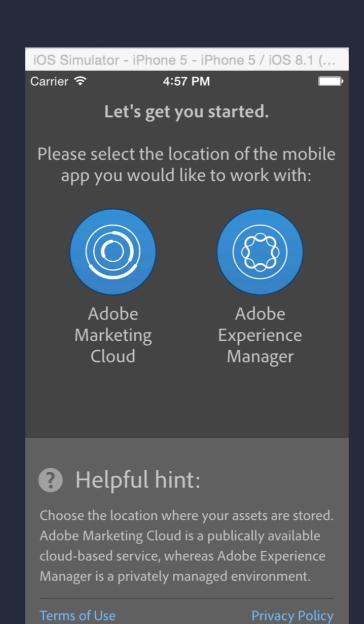


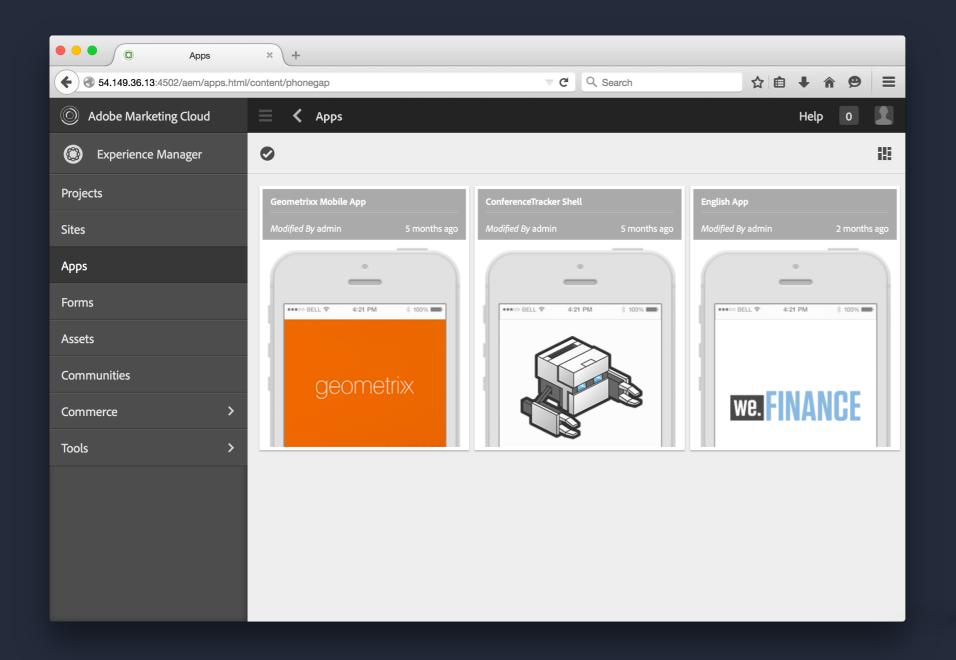
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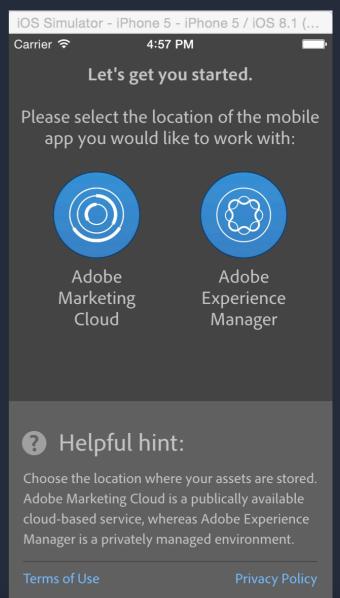


PhoneGap Enterprise

Mobile app development in







Got questions, requests, or complaints? Every bit is open sourced!

github.com/phonegap

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