



D7 configuration management

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why?

long road to Drupal 8
distributions

Drupal website structure



codebase



building blocks



database



config + settings
content + users



Drupal website structure

problem #1

configuration in database

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configuration in database

content config
users





rage

against the database dump

Drupal website structure

problem #2

1 codebase = 1 configuration

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1 codebase = 1 configuration



test

code

config



accept

code

config



production

code

config

settings
DB credentials
cache
GA key



content
nodes
tags
menu's

CMS configuration
content types
taxonomy structure
panels
views
contexts
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users
username
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email
last login

goals

control configuration

facilitate teamwork

quality deployments

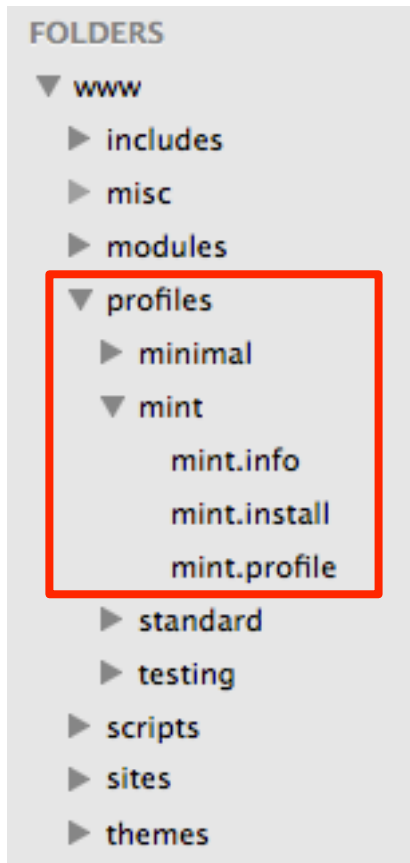


install profiles
settings files
features
controller modules





install profiles



1. clean slate

2. presets

mint.info

```
name = Mint
description = Very clean install profile
core = 7.x
```

```
; Core module dependencies
dependencies[] = dblog
dependencies[] = toolbar
```

```
; Contrib module dependencies
dependencies[] = transliteration
```


mint.profile

```
// Pre-populate site information
$form['site_information']['site_name']['#default_value'] = 'Another Drupal website';
$form['site_information']['site_mail']['#default_value'] = TERMINATOR_MAIL;

// Pre-populate maintenance account
$form['admin_account']['account']['name']['#default_value'] = 'terminator';
$form['admin_account']['account']['mail']['#default_value'] = TERMINATOR_MAIL;

// Pre-populate server settings
$form['server_settings']['site_default_country']['#default_value'] = 'BE';
$form['server_settings']['date_default_timezone']['#default_value'] = 'Europe/Brussels';
unset($form['server_settings']['date_default_timezone']['#attributes']['class']);

// Pre-populate update notifications
$form['update_notifications']['update_status_module']['1']['#default_value'] = 0;
$form['update_notifications']['update_status_module']['2']['#default_value'] = 0;
```

mint.install

```
// Set the default front-end theme
variable_set('theme_default', 'bartik');

// Allow only administrators to create user accounts
variable_set('user_register', USER_REGISTER_ADMINISTRATORS_ONLY);
variable_set('user_email_verification', '0');

// Prevent outgoing mails on account creation
variable_set('user_mail_status_activated_notify', '0');

// Enable default permissions for system roles.
user_role_grant_permissions(DRUPAL_ANONYMOUS_RID, array('access content'));
user_role_grant_permissions(DRUPAL_AUTHENTICATED_RID, array('access content'));
```

mint.install

```
// Create a default role for site administrators, with all available permissions assigned.
$admin_role = new stdClass();
$admin_role->name = 'administrator';
$admin_role->weight = 4;
user_role_save($admin_role);
user_role_grant_permissions($admin_role->rid, array_keys(module_invoke_all('permission')));
// Set this as the administrator role.
variable_set('user_admin_role', $admin_role->rid);

// Assign user 1 the "administrator" role.
db_insert('users_roles')
  ->fields(array('uid' => 1, 'rid' => $admin_role->rid))
  ->execute();
```

mint.install

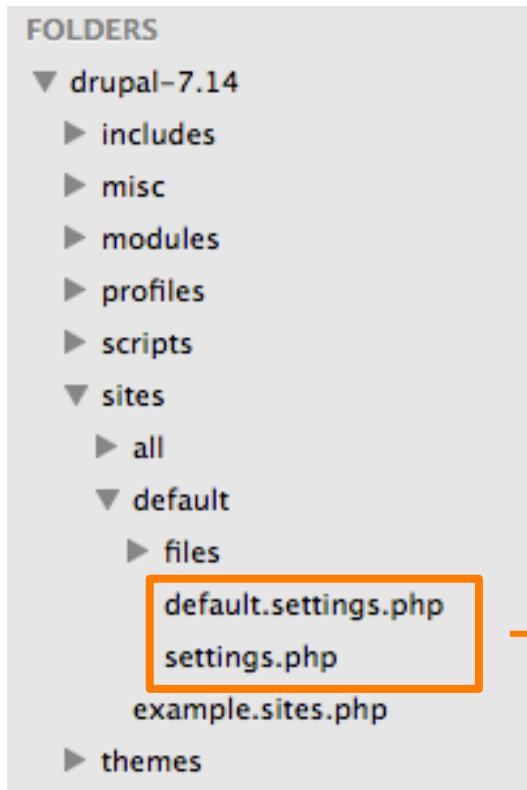
```
// Enable the admin theme.
db_update('system')
  ->fields(array('status' => 1))
  ->condition('type', 'theme')
  ->condition('name', 'seven')
  ->execute();
variable_set('admin_theme', 'seven');
variable_set('node_admin_theme', '1');

// Extra date settings
variable_set('date_first_day', '1');
variable_set('configurable_timezones', '0');

// Set cron to 1 hour
variable_set('cron_safe_threshold', '3600');

// Keep 100000 watchdog entries in the database
variable_set('dblog_row_limit', '100000');
```

settings files



1 codebase = 1 configuration

```
<?php
```

```
/**
 * @file
 * Drupal site-specific configuration file.
 *
 * IMPORTANT NOTE:
 * This file may have been set to read-only by the Drupal installation program.
 * If you make changes to this file, be sure to protect it again after making
 * your modifications. Failure to remove write permissions to this file is a
 * security risk.
 *
 * The configuration file to be loaded is based upon the rules below. However
 * if the multisite aliasing file named sites/sites.php is present, it will be
 * loaded, and the aliases in the array $sites will override the default
 * directory rules below. See sites/example.sites.php for more information about
 * aliases.
 *
 * The configuration directory will be discovered by stripping the website's
 * hostname from left to right and pathname from right to left. The first
 * configuration file found will be used and any others will be ignored. If no
 * other configuration file is found then the default configuration file at
 * 'sites/default' will be used.
 *
 * For example, for a fictitious site installed at
 * http://www.drupal.org:8080/mysite/test/, the 'settings.php' file is searched
 * for in the following directories:
 *
 * - sites/8080.www.drupal.org.mysite.test
 * - sites/www.drupal.org.mysite.test
 * - sites/drupal.org.mysite.test
 * - sites/org.mysite.test
```

settings files



development



test

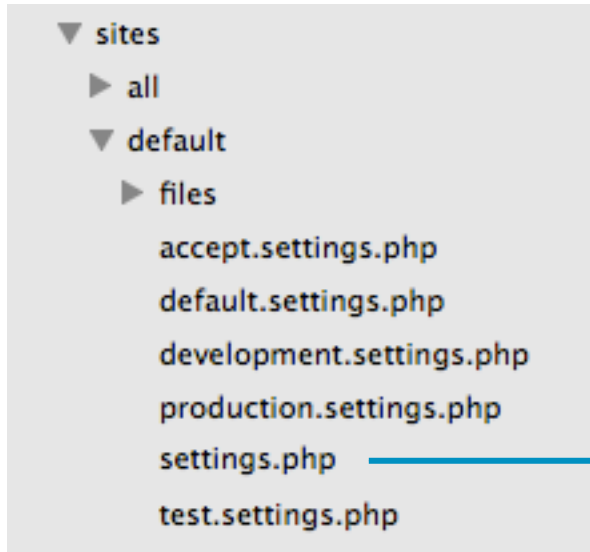


accept



production

settings files



1 settings file per env

special...

settings.php

```
include('production.settings.php');

if(isset($_SERVER['APPLICATION_ENV']) && !empty($_SERVER['APPLICATION_ENV'])) {
    if ($_SERVER['APPLICATION_ENV'] != 'production') {
        $settings_path = dirname(__FILE__);
        $filename = $settings_path . '/' . $_SERVER['APPLICATION_ENV'] . '.settings.php';
        if(file_exists($filename)) {
            include $filename;
        }
    }
}
```

production.settings.php by default
overrides for other environments

httpd.conf

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
    ServerName workbench.drupal.local
    DocumentRoot /Users/jan.lemmens/Projects/drupal-7.19
    SetEnv APPLICATION_ENV "accept"
    <Directory /Users/jan.lemmens/Projects/drupal-7.19/>
        Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
        AllowOverride All
        Order allow,deny
        allow from all
    </Directory>
</VirtualHost>
```

drushrc.php

```
<?php
// Set the application environment for Drush
$_SERVER['APPLICATION_ENV'] = 'development';
```

production.settings.php

```
/**
 * Database settings
 */
$databases = array (
  'default' =>
    array (
      'default' =>
        array (
          'database' => 'prd_db_name',
          'username' => 'prd_db_username',
          'password' => 'prd_db_password',
          'host' => 'prd_db_host',
          'port' => '',
          'driver' => 'mysql',
          'prefix' => '',
        ),
      ),
    ),
);
```

production.settings.php

// Analytics

```
$conf['googleanalytics_account'] = 'UA-27335262-8';
```

// Caching

```
$conf['cache'] = TRUE;
```

```
$conf['block_cache'] = TRUE;
```

```
$conf['cache_lifetime'] = 3600; // 1 hour
```

```
$conf['page_cache_maximum_age'] = 900; // 15 minutes
```

```
$conf['page_compression'] = TRUE;
```

```
$conf['preprocess_css'] = TRUE;
```

```
$conf['preprocess_js'] = TRUE;
```

```
$conf['file_temporary_path'] = '/tmpdir';
```

```
$conf['file_private_path'] = '/privatedir';
```

```
$conf['cron_safe_threshold'] = 0;
```

development.settings.php

```
/**
 * PHP settings
 */
$conf['error_level'] = 2;
ini_set('display_errors', TRUE);
ini_set('display_startup_errors', TRUE);
error_reporting(E_ALL);

// Analytics
$conf['googleanalytics_account'] = 'UA-0000000-00';

// Caching
$conf['cache'] = FALSE;
$conf['block_cache'] = FALSE;
$conf['cache_lifetime'] = 0;
$conf['page_cache_maximum_age'] = 0;
$conf['page_compression'] = FALSE;
$conf['preprocess_css'] = FALSE;
$conf['preprocess_js'] = FALSE;
```

variables?

The image shows the Drupal Configuration page for File system settings. The 'Temporary directory' field is set to '/tmp'. A red arrow points from this field to the browser's developer tool, which is open to the HTML tab. The developer tool shows the DOM tree with the following structure:

```
<div>
  <div class="form-item form-type-textfield form-item-file-public-path">
  <div class="form-item form-type-textfield form-item-file-private-path">
  <div class="form-item form-type-textfield form-item-file-temporary-path">
    <label for="edit-file-temporary-path">Temporary directory </label>
    <input id="edit-file-temporary-path" class="form-text" type="text" name="file_temporary_path">
    <div class="description">A local file system path where temporary files will be stored. This directory should not be accessible over the web.</div>
  </div>
  <div class="form-item form-type-radios form-item-file-default-scheme">
    <input type="hidden" value="form-xLMNQ0j0fd4iKtLipgyLFTA620_mOGUKKPA1bHRG2-Q" name="form_build_id">
    <input type="hidden" value="t3CMtaD4JhJR1f0xN-45BSA3TSg2ihn07TjkItSA5Vg" name="form_token">
    <input type="hidden" value="system_file_system_settings" name="form_id">
  </div>
  <div id="edit-actions" class="form-actions form-wrapper">
```

The 'file_temporary_path' attribute in the input tag is highlighted in blue. The browser's style pane on the right shows the default styles for the input field.

features + strongarm

- CKEDITOR PROFILES (ckeditor_profile)
- DEPENDENCIES (dependencies)
- ELYSIA CRON (elysia_cron)
- LANGUAGES (language)
- MENU LINKS (menu_links)
- MENUS (menu_custom)
- PERMISSIONS (user_permission)
- REALM VARIABLES (variable_realm)
- ROLES (user_role)
- STRONGARM (variable)
- ▼ TAXONOMY (taxonomy)
 - ☐ Access control
 - ☐ Banner style
 - ☐ Category style
- VIEWS (views_view)

LEGEND

Normal	Changed	Auto detected	Conflict
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manage CMS
configuration in code

Features



features + strongarm

Onbeschikbaar	Overriden	Recreate
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architecting effort

contrib support

breaks often, breaks hard

features + strongarm



permissions

roles

menu items

controller module



building tasks

hook_update_N()

controller.install

```
/**
 * Implements hook_install().
 */
function controller_install() {
  controller_update_7001();
  controller_update_7002();
}
```



```
/**
 * Enable Block module
 */
function controller_update_7001() {
  module_enable(array('block'));
}
```

```
/**
 * Enable Contact module
 */
function controller_update_7002() {
  module_enable(array('contact'));
}
```

controller.install

```
/**
 * Disable Display Suite UI module (not necessary on PRD)
 */
function mymodule_general_update_7019() {
  module_disable(array('ds_ui'), FALSE);
  drupal_uninstall_modules(array('ds_ui'), FALSE);
}
```

```
/**
 * Delete table field in paragraph and disable tablefield module
 */
function mymodule_general_update_7036() {
  field_delete_field('field_page_paragraph_table');
  field_purge_batch(1);
}
```

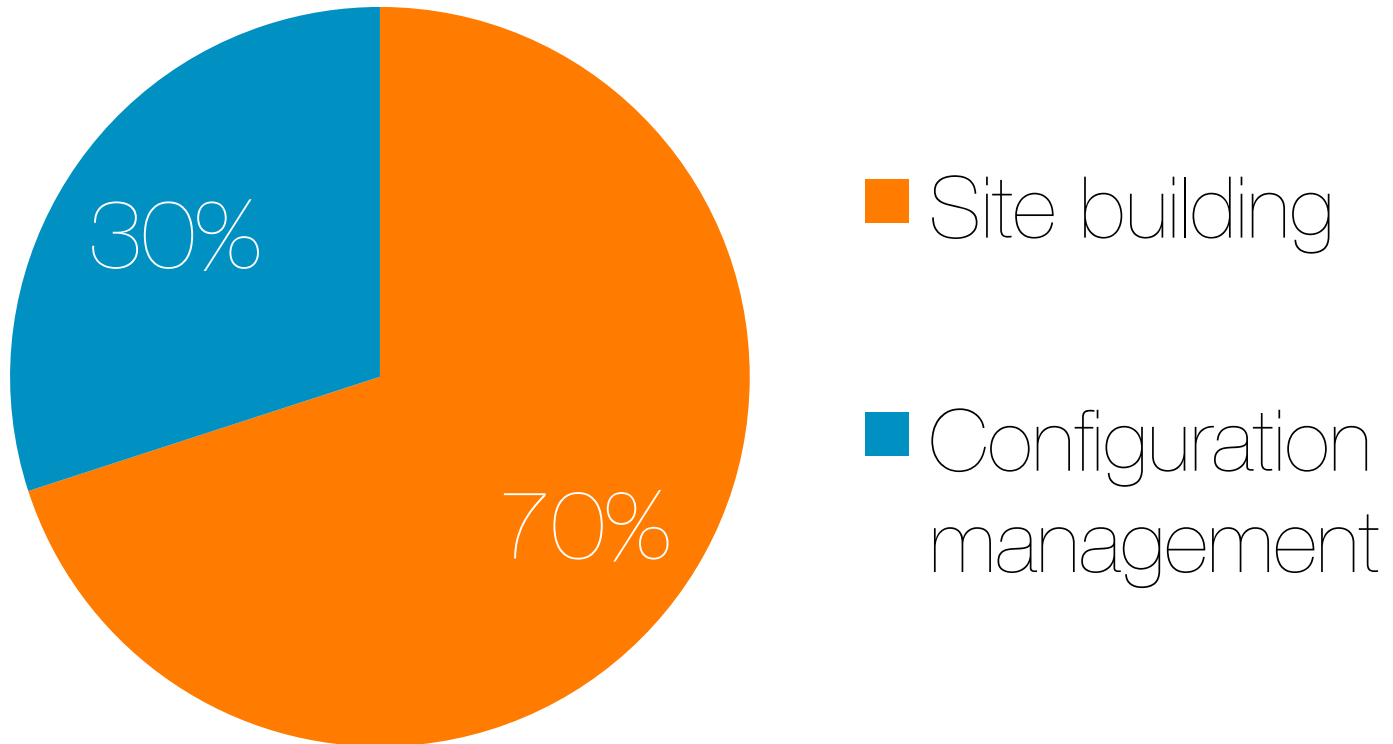
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- ▼ drupal-7.2.1
 - includes
 - misc
 - modules
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 - minimal
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 - mint.install
 - mint.profile
 - standard
 - testing
 - scripts
 - ▼ sites
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 - contrib
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 - robots.txt

time consuming...



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configuration management

better language tools

webservices

inline editing

focus on HTML5 and mobile

