### Pillar, one format for all supports

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# Currently

- LaTeX
  - Complicated
  - Hard to debug
  - Hard to convert to HTML
- Markdown
  - Incomplete
  - Incompatible Inplementation
  - Few output formats

# Why Pillar?

#### We wanted something:

- Easier than LaTeX
- More complete than Markdown

# Pillar

#### Pillar

• One input, many outputs (e.g. HTML, LaTeX, ePub)

### Pillar - EPub export

#### EnterprisePharo Simple Web applications

Getting Started

Differences between
Teapot and other Web
Frameworks

A REST Example, Showing some CRUD Operations

Parameters in URLs Using Regular

Expressions
How are Routes
Matched?

Aborting
Transforming Output from

Actions

Response Transformers

Before and After Filters

Error Handlers

Serving Static Files Conclusion

Saying Helio World

Debugging our Web App

Serving an HTML Page With

an Image Serving an Image

0 ?

Teapot is not a singleton and doesn't hold any global state. You can run multiple Teapot servers inside the same image with their state being isolated from each other.

- There are no thread locals or dynamically scoped variables in Teapot.
- Everything is explicit.

   It doesn't rely on annotations or pragmas, the routes are defined
- programmatically.

   It doesn't instantiate objects (e.g. "web controllers") for you. You can hook http events to existing objects, and manage their dependencies as required.

#### A REST Example, Showing some CRUD Operations

Before getting into the details of Teapot. Here is a simple example for managing books. With the following code, we can list books, add a book and delete a book.

start.

Now you can create a book with ZNClient or your web client as follows:

```
ZnClient new
url: 'http://localhost:8088/books/1';
formAt: 'author' put: 'SquareBracketAssociates';
formAt: 'title' put: 'Pharo For The Enterprise'; put
```

You can also list the contents using <a href="http://localhost:8080/books">http://localhost:8080/books</a> For a more complete example, study the Teapot-Library-Example package.

Now that you get the general feel of Teapot, let us see the key concepts.

#### Route

The most important concept of Teapot is the Route. The template for route definitions is as follows:

```
Method : '/url/*/pattern/<param>' -> Action
```

A route has three parts:

- an HTTP method (GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, HEAD, TRACE, CONNECT, OPTIONS, PATCH),
- an URL pattern (i.e. /hi, /users/<name>, /foo/\*/bar/\*, or a regular expression),
   an action (a block, message send or any object).
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Here is another example:

Teapot on



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#### Pillar

- One input, many outputs (e.g. HTML, LaTeX, ePub)
- Slides / Books / Websites
- Textual syntax
- Easy to Extend
- Easy to use

## Pillar - Easy syntax

```
!Example
This is an example of Pillar file.
*Link>http://pharo.org*
-Unordered Item
-Unordered Item
#Ordered Item
#Ordered Item
[[[language=smalltalk|label=How to say Hello
Transcript show: 'Hello !'.
111
| !Harder | !Better
|Faster |Stronger
| More Than | Ever
+Figure>file://path/to/the/file.png|width=80+
```

#### Advanced features

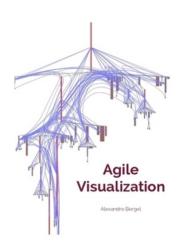
- \${}\$ annotation syntax
- Slides \${slide :Slide name}\$
- \${myAnnotation :arg1=1|arg2=2}\$
- Consistency in syntax [[[language=smalltalk|arg1=1|arg2=2]]]
- Evaluate a smalltalk script

# Pillar use cases

#### Books written with Pillar

- Enterprise Pharo : A Web Perspective
- Agile Virtualization
- Pharo By Example

#### Books written with Pillar





#### Presentations

- Beamer
- DeckJs

This presentation itself is written in Pillar

#### Other use cases

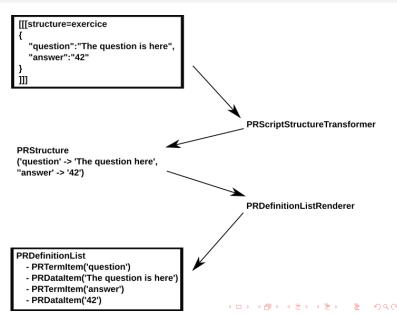
- Ecstatic : Static Websites, Guillermo Polito / Stéphane Ducasse (http ://guillep.github.io/ecstatic)
- PillarHub, Mike Filonov (http://pillarhub.pharocloud.com/)

What's new in Pillar 4.0

#### Pillar 4.0 - Structures

- Dissociate form the shape
- Easy to use
- Provide from formatting mistakes

#### Structures - How does it work



#### Pillar 4.0 - Other features

- Footnotes \${footnote : Text to put in the footnote}\$
- Citations \${cite :REF1713}\$
- Header Capitalization
- Hideable Scripts

# Make utilisation easier

### Hell on boot project

- Where is my configuration file?
- Where are templates?
- I am bored of copy/paste parts of configuration file
- Where did I put my pillar files?

## Pillar Archetypes - Skeleton maker

- Simple utilisation
- Build a project base with example files
- Many archetypes (Book / Slides / Beginner)

```
./pillar archetype book
```

# Pillar Archetype - How does it work?



# Makefile Archetypes

- Makefile adapted to each Archetypes
- Separated Makefiles

• Begin with a pillar file

```
first.pillar
  "metadata": {
     "title" :"Say Hello World"
!Hello World
```

Pass through Pillar

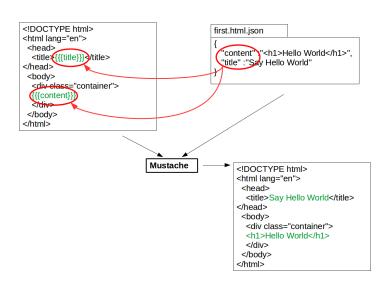
```
$(OUTPUTDIRECTORY)/%.html.json: %.pillar copySupport
./pillar export --to="html" --outputFile=$@ $<</pre>
```

```
first.html.json

{
    "content" :"<h1>Hello World</h1>",
    "title" :"Say Hello World"
}
```

• Pass through a template System

```
./mustache --data=$< --template=${HTMLTEMPLATE} > $0
```



# Demo Time

# Conclusion

#### **Future Works**

- Pharo comments in Pillar
- Mobi Exporter
- Math expressions in LaTeX
- We have a lot of suggestions from community

#### Conclusion

- Easy to Extend
- Easy Syntax
- Lot of output
- Easier Compilation
- Possibility to use other tools for templating

#### For more informations

https://ci.inria.fr/pharo-contribution/job/EnterprisePharoBook/lastSuccessfulBuild/artifact/book-result/PillarChap/Pillar.html