# Turn Your Web App Into a Mobile App With PhoneGap

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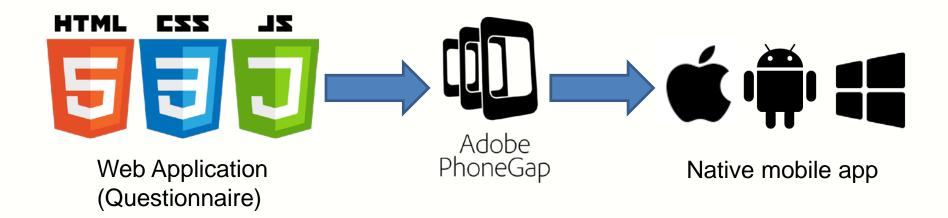
## Disclaimer

• I'm not an expert



#### What is PhoneGap?

 PhoneGap is an open source solution for building cross-platform mobile apps with standards-based Web technologies like HTML, JavaScript, CSS.





## Why use it?

- Easy entry into world of mobile data collection
- No new mobile-specific products learn or license
- Leverage existing web developer experience
  - HTML5, CSS, JS
- Same code base for multiple platforms
- Very little modification required to convert web forms and applications to installable mobile apps
- Tablet-based CAPI data collection on a budget



#### PhoneGap vs. Cordova

- PhoneGap is the Adobe version the Cordova framework
- Cordova is the underlying engine of PhoneGap
- Both
  - Open source
  - Free to use
  - Apache license



### PhoneGap Tools

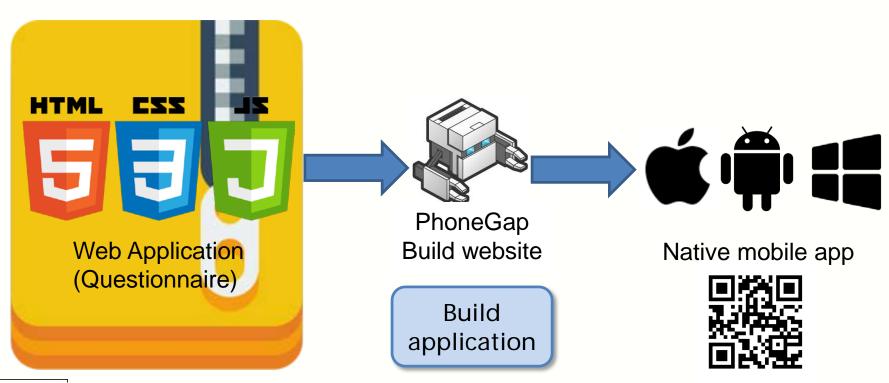
- Command line interface (CLI)
  - Node.js
- Desktop app
  - Mac and Windows
- Developer mobile app
  - Quickly deploy to and test on mobile devices
- Build cloud service
  - Upload and build
  - No local SDK required





#### PhoneGap Build

- PhoneGap Build cloud service
- Zip, upload, build, install
- No local PhoneGap tools required





#### Additional Features

- Plugins
  - Add-on code that provides a JavaScript interface to native components
  - Allow your app to use native device capabilities (camera, compass, accelerometer, etc.)
  - Hundreds available
- Hydration
  - Automatically push out app changes
  - Installed app checks for new versions on startup
    - Prompts user to update
- Integration with Visual Studio, Eclipse, Xcode



#### Caveats

- Debugging
  - No more browser development tools
  - GapDebug



#### Conclusion

- Very low barrier to entry
- Build on existing web development expertise
- Active developer community
- Price is right
- http://phonegap.com/



#### Thank You!

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