

Learn you an SBT for fun and profit!

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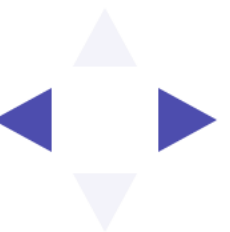




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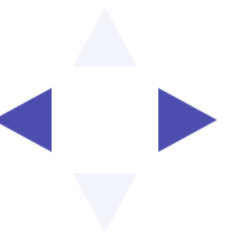


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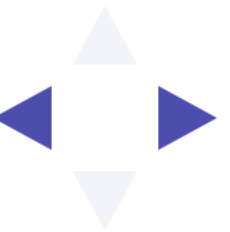


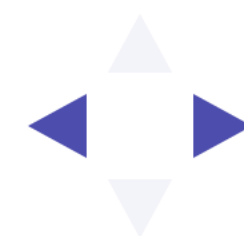
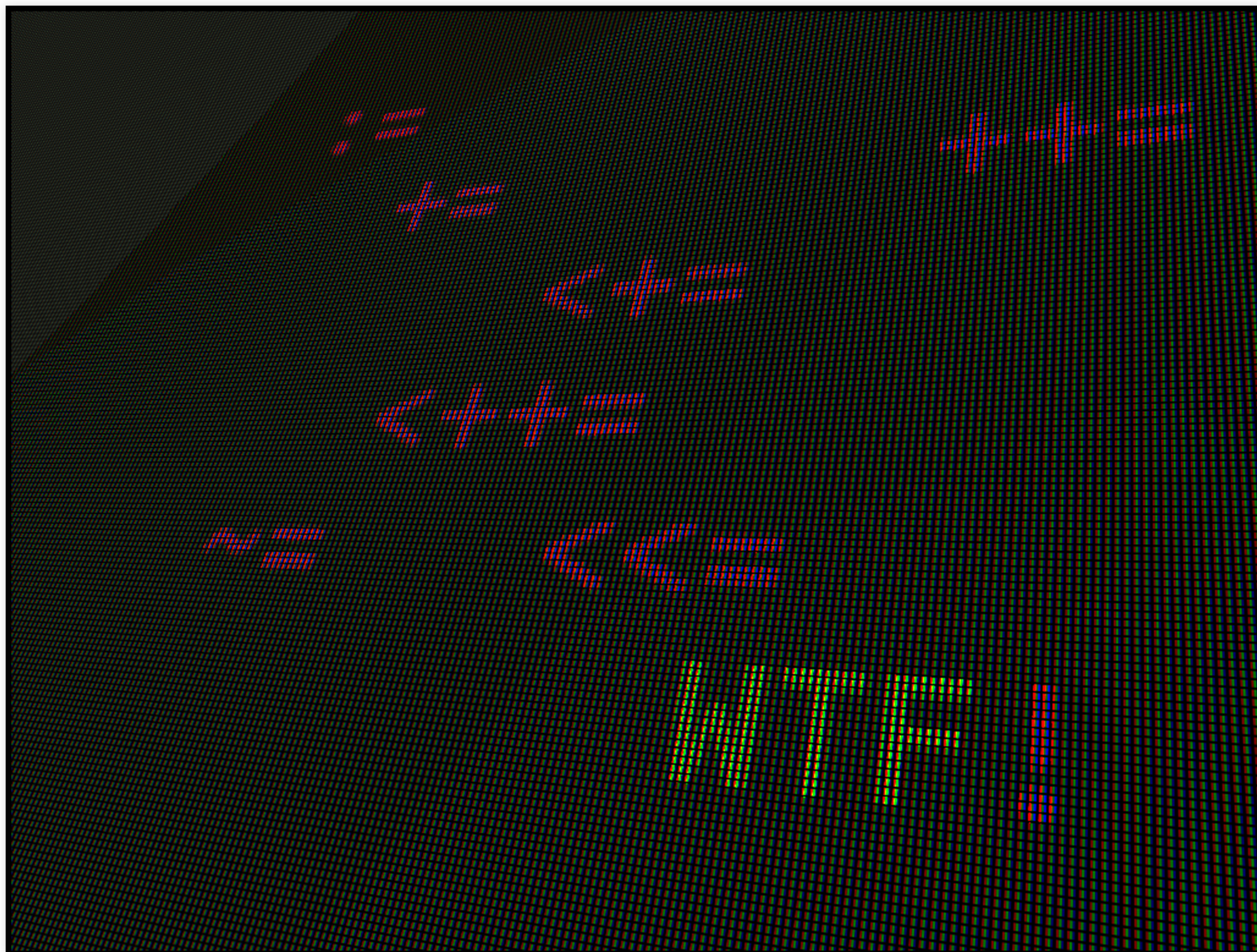
Everybody hates build tools*

* With the exception of build engineers



SBT is not only a build tool





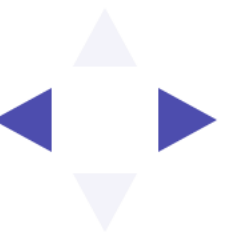
Copy/paste-driven build configuration

First, add xsbt-web-plugin to *project/plugins.sbt*:

```
addSbtPlugin("com.eardouglas" % "xsbt-web-plugin" % "0.9.0")
```

For .sbt build definitions, inject the plugin settings in *build.sbt*:

```
webSettings
```

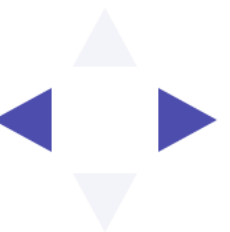


A mental model of SBT

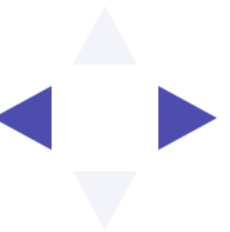
In the build.sbt, I can assign values for certain predefined attributes.

*I can compile my project by typing **sbt compile**, and test it by typing **sbt test**.*

I can add plugins by copy-pasting cryptic code from its README.

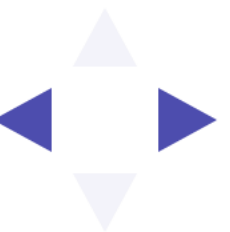


Understanding SBT



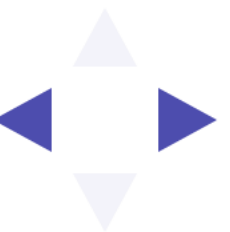
The build description

- key/value pairs
- immutable
- created by processing **build definitions**
- keys can have fixed values or computations assigned to them



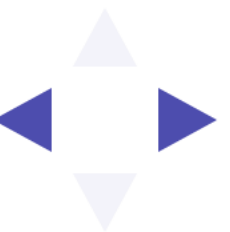
Build definitions

- consist of one or more Settings
- A Setting[T] describes a **transformation of the build description**
- Must be applied to return new build description



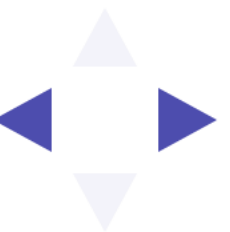
Applying a setting: before

Key	Value
name	<i>"scaladays-test-project"</i>
libraryDependencies	<i>List(org.scala-lang:scala-library:2.10.4)</i>
console	<i>Defaults.consoleTask</i>



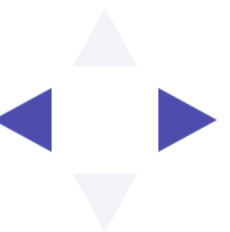
Applying a setting: after

Key	Value
name	"Case Nightmare Green"
libraryDependencies	<i>List(org.scala-lang:scala-library:2.10.4)</i>
console	<i>Defaults.consoleTask</i>



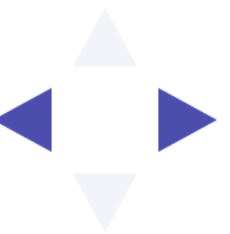
How do I create a Setting?

```
sealed abstract class SettingKey[T] {  
  final def := (v: T): Setting[T] = ???  
  final def +=[U](v: U)  
    (implicit a: Append.Value[T, U]): Setting[T] = ???  
  final def ++=[U](vs: U)  
    (implicit a: Append.Values[T, U]): Setting[T] = ???  
}
```



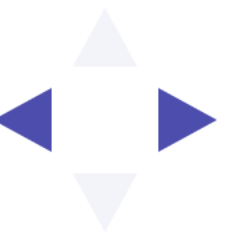
Setting dependencies

```
description :=  
  s"${name.value}, kindly provided by ${organizationName.value}"
```



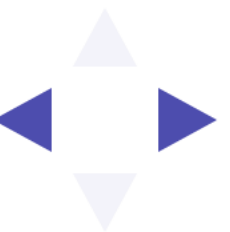
Save your SBT session

- `session list` shows a log of our SBT session
- `session save` saves it to the `build.sbt` file



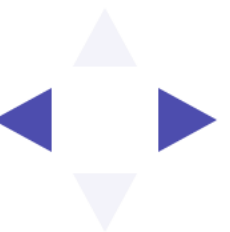
.sbt files

- One or more at the project's root level
- each provides a `Seq[Setting[_]]`
- all settings are put into one sequence
- sorted by key and dependencies



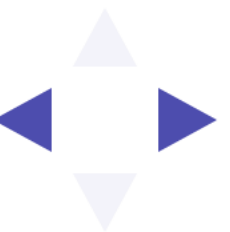
Tasks

- Computations of values or just side effects
- Executed every time their value is requested
- Triggered execution using ~
- assigned to keys just like value settings
- TaskKey[T] returns Setting[Task[T]]
- can depend on settings and other tasks



Settings are scoped

- Project axis
- Configuration axis
- Task axis



Project axis

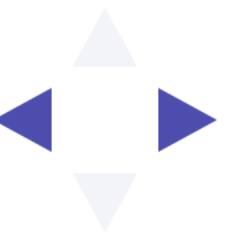
```
lazy val domain = project

lazy val infrastructure = project.dependsOn(domain).settings(
  libraryDependencies +=
    "com.typesafe" %% "akka-actor" % "2.3.3"
)

version in ThisBuild := "0.1.0-SNAPSHOT"

organization.in(ThisBuild).:=("uk.co.laundry")
```

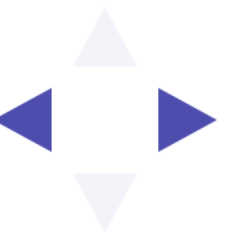
Use projectName/key to access setting scoped by project.



Configuration axis

```
logLevel in Compile := Level.Info  
logLevel in Test := Level.Warn
```

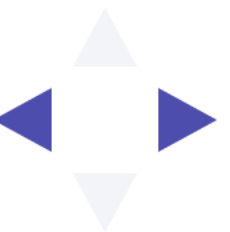
Use `configName:key` to access setting scoped by Ivy configuration



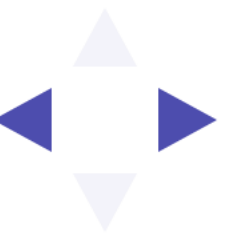
Task axis

```
initialCommands += """  
import scala.concurrent.duration._  
import scala.concurrent.Future  
"""  
  
initialCommands in console += """  
import co.uk.laundry.domain._  
"""
```

Use `taskName::key` to access setting scoped by task.

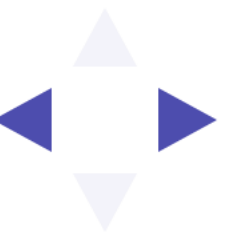


Adding new functionality



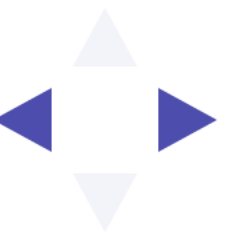
Example: Generate release notes

- Custom setting keys for release notes dir, filename and template
- Custom task keys for generating release notes and dumping to file
- Extract into Scala library code
- Leverage SBT's File, Process and IO APIs
- Input tasks with parser combinators and tab completion



Custom setting keys

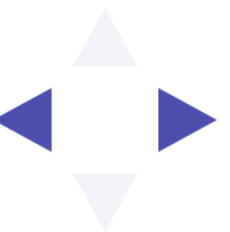
```
object ReleaseNotesKeys {  
  lazy val releaseNotesDir =  
    settingKey[File]("....")  
  lazy val releaseNotesFileName =  
    settingKey[Release => String]("....")  
  lazy val releaseNotesTemplate =  
    settingKey[ReleaseNotes => String]("....")  
}
```



Default settings

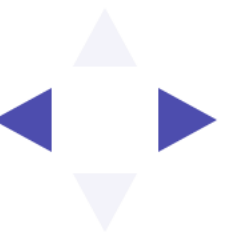
```
object Defaults {  
  def dir: Setting[File] =  
    releaseNotesDir := target.value / "release-notes"  
  def fileName: Setting[Release => String] =  
    releaseNotesFileName := { release =>  
      s"${normalizedName.value}-${release.version}.md"  
    }  
}
```

sbt.RichFile



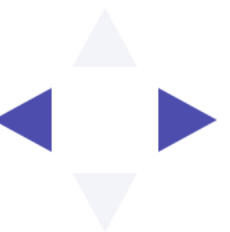
Custom task keys

```
object ReleaseNotesKeys {  
  lazy val releaseNotesReleases = taskKey[List[Release]]("...")  
  lazy val generateReleaseNotes = inputKey[ReleaseNotes]("...")  
  lazy val dumpReleaseNotes = inputKey[File]("...")  
}
```



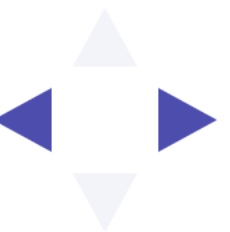
Parsing and tab completion

```
val releaseParser: Parser[(Release, Option[Release])] = {  
  val releases = Implementation.releases  
  val tags = releases map (_.gitTag)  
  val parser = StringBasic  
    .examples(tags.toSet, check = true)  
  Space ~> parser map { releaseTag =>  
    releases.dropWhile(_.gitTag != releaseTag) match {  
      case head :: tail => (head, tail.headOption)  
      case _ => sys.error("No release to generate release notes"  
    }  
  }  
}
```



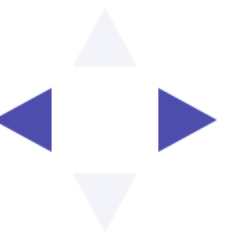
Using our parser

```
generateReleaseNotes := {  
  val (release, prevRelease) =  
    Implementation.releaseParser.parsed  
    Implementation.releaseNotes(prevRelease, release)
```



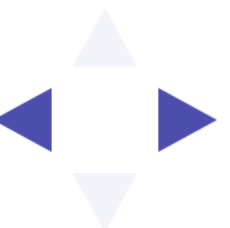
Process

```
val contribs: Stream[Contributor] =  
  Process(s"git shortlog -sne $prev${release.gitTag}")  
contribs.lines collect {  
  case GitContributor(c) => c  
}
```



Dumping the release notes with IO

```
dumpReleaseNotes := {  
  val releaseNotes =  
    ReleaseNotesKeys.generateReleaseNotes.evaluated  
  val fileName =  
    releaseNotesFileName.value(releaseNotes.release)  
  val outputFile = releaseNotesDir.value / fileName  
  IO.write(  
    outputFile, releaseNotesTemplate.value(releaseNotes))  
  outputFile  
}
```

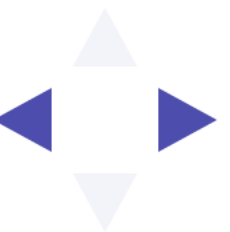


Creating a plugin

```
name := "sbt-release-notes"  
organization := "com.hipstercoffee"  
sbtPlugin := true
```

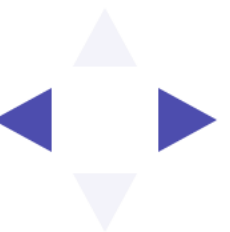
In a .sbt file in your project directory:

```
addSbtPlugin(  
  "com.hipstercoffee" % "sbt-release-notes" % "0.1.0")
```



Auto plugins

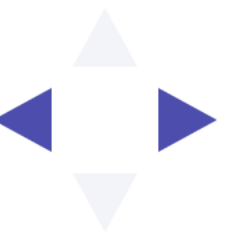
```
object ReleaseNotesPlugin extends AutoPlugin {  
  override def projectSettings: Seq[Def.Setting[_]] =  
    ReleaseNotes.releaseNotesSettings  
}
```



Enabling auto plugins

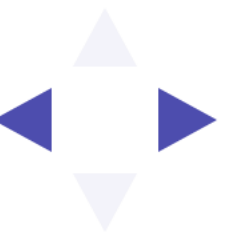
Consistent way of enabling plugins for your project:

```
lazy val root = project  
  .in(file("."))  
  .enablePlugins(releasenotes.ReleaseNotesPlugin)
```

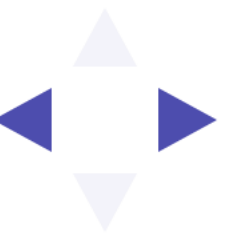


Triggering automatic enabling

```
object ReleaseNotesPlugin extends AutoPlugin {  
  override def projectSettings: Seq[Def.Setting[_]] =  
    ReleaseNotes.releaseNotesSettings  
  override def trigger = allRequirements  
}
```

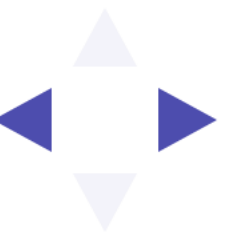


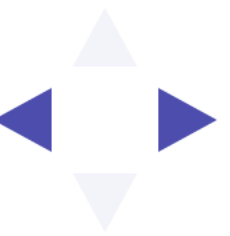
Don't reinvent the wheel



More fun and profit with existing plugins

- [sbt-revolver](#): fast background starting and stopping of applications, and re-triggered starts
- [sbt-updates](#): checks Maven repos for updates to your dependencies
- [sbt-license-report](#): Reports on licenses used in your project
- [sbt-git](#): allows using Git directly from SBT; provides Git project versioning and Git branch in prompt





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