

Tesseract LASAGNA: MVP PWA Framework

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Concept

Tesseract LASAGNA is a fast, modern and modular PHP OOP framework for rapid prototyping of **Progressive Web Apps** (PWA). Tesseract uses *Google Sheets CSV exports* as a data input, it builds the Model from CSV layers (hence the LASAGNA codename).

Abstract based **Presenters** are used to process the **Model** and to export resulting data in TEXT, JSON, XML or HTML5 formats (or any other custom format). **View** is built as a set of Mustache templates and *partials* (Mustache can be also rendered in the browser via JavaScript).

Tesseract is *Composer components* based, the Model defines a complex **RESTful API**, has a *command line interface* (CLI) and incorporates *continuous integration* (CI) testing.

Tesseract uses no classical database models and structures, so it is quite easy to implement all types of scaling and integration. The access model is based on the **master key encrypted cookie**.

Basic Functionality

Index

Tesseract starts parsing the **www/index.php** file, that's targeted at the Apache level via **.htaccess** configuration file using *Mod_rewrite*. **Index** can contain various constant definitions and overrides. **Index** then loads the **Bootstrap.php** core file from the application root folder.

Bootstrap

Bootstrap sets core constants and the application environment, **Nette Debugger** is also instantiated on the fly. Bootstrap then loads the **App.php** core file from **app/** folder (the location can be overridden via a constant).

App

App processes the application configuration files (public and private), sets caching mechanisms (optional Redis database support), configures URL routing, emits CSP headers and sets the core **Model** (multidimensional array). **App** then loads the corresponding *presenter* based on the actual URI and the corresponding route. It can also run a *CLI presenter*, if the CLI is detected.

When the *presenter* returns an updated Model, the output is echoed and final headers are set (including some optional debugging information). Runtime ends here.

Router

Router is a part of the **App** script and is defined by joining several routing tables (NE-ON format) in the **/app** folder.

- **router_defaults.neon** - default values (global)
- **router_core.neon** - core Tesseract functionality (global)

- **router_admin.neon** - administrative routes (global)
- **router_extras.neon** - extra features (optional)
- **router_api.neon** - API calls here
- **router.neon** - web app pages

Presenter

Presenter is a subclass instance based on an *abstract class* **APresenter.php** and defines at least the *process* method, that is called from the **App**. The *process* method can either output the resulting data or return it encapsulated inside the Model back to the **App** for rendering.

Command Line Interface

Makefile

Run **make** to see the inline documentation.

Bootstrap CLI

```
php -f Bootstrap.php <command> [<parameter> ...]
```

```
app '<code>'      - run inline code
clearall          - clear all temporary files
clearcache        - clear cache
clearci           - clear CI logs
clearlogs         - clear logs
cleartemp         - clear temp
doctor            - check system requirements
local             - local CI test
prod              - production CI test
unit              - run Unit test (TBD)
```

There is a shortcut **./cli.sh** bash file alias the php command.

Examples:

```
./cli.sh clearall
```

```
./cli.sh app
```

Filesystem Hierarchy

- **apache/** - Apache configuration example
- **app/** - Presenters and NE-ON configurations
- **bin/** - bash scripts for Makefile
- **ci/** - Continuous Integration logs

- **data/** - private data, encryption keys, CSV imports, etc.
- **doc/** - phpDocumentor generated documentation
- **docker/** - files to be inserted into the Docker container
- **logs/** - system logs
- **node_modules/** - Node.js modules used by Gulp
- **temp/** - temporary files, Mustache compiled templates
- **vendor/** - Composer generated vendor classes
- **www/** - static assets
 - **www/cdn-assets/** - repository version hash-links to www/
 - **www/css/** - CSS classes
 - **www/docs/** - link to doc/
 - **www/download/** - downloadable files
 - **www/epub/** - ePub files
 - **www/img/** - images
 - **www/js/** - JavaScript files
 - **www/partials/** - Mustache partials
 - **www/summernote/** - Summernote editor
 - **www/templates/** - Mustache templates
 - **www/upload/** - uploads via administration panel
 - **www/webfonts** - fonts

Constants

All constants can be listed by simply running the following command:

```
./cli.sh app '$app→showConst()'
```

Constants can be only overridden inside **www/index.php**.

Optional Constants

These default values are set:

- **AUTO_DETECT_LINE_ENDINGS**: true
- **DEFAULT_SOCKET_TIMEOUT**: 30
- **DISPLAY_ERRORS**: true

Bootstrap.php

- **APP** - *application* folder

- **CACHE** - *cache* folder
- **CLI** - TRUE if running in terminal mode
- **CONFIG** - *public configuration* file
- **CONFIG_PRIVATE** - *private configuration* file
- **CSP** - *CSP HEADERS* configuration file
- **DATA** - *application data* folder, also *private data* goes here
- **DEBUG** - TRUE if debugging is enabled
- **DOWNLOAD** - *download* folder
- **DS** - operating system *directory separator*
- **ENABLE_CSV_CACHE** - enable use of extra *curl_multi CSV cache*
- **LOCALHOST** - TRUE if running on *local server*
- **LOGS** - *log files* folder
- **PARTIALS** - *Mustache partials* folder
- **ROOT** - *root* folder
- **TEMP** - *temporary files* folder
- **TEMPLATES** - *templates* folder
- **TESSERACT_END** - execution UNIX time end
- **TESSERACT_START** - execution UNIX time start
- **UPLOAD** - *upload* folder
- **WWW** - *static assets* folder, also *Apache root*

App.php

- **CACHEPREFIX** - cache name prefix
- **DOMAIN** - domain name
- **SERVER** - server name
- **PROJECT** - project name (higher level)
- **APPNAME** - application name (lower level)
- **MONOLOG** - Monolog log filename
- **GCP_PROJECTID** - Google Cloud Platform (GCP) project ID
- **GCP_KEYS** - GCP auth keys JSON base filename (in **app/**)

Administration

Authentication

Tesseract login is based solely on the **Google OAuth 2.0** client right now.

When the user logs in, a special encrypted cookie - a master key - is created and set via HTTPS protocol. This cookie is protected from tampering and its parameters can be modified in the administration panel, or remotely via authenticated API calls.

There is no database of connections or authenticated users at all. The default login URL is **/login** and the default logout URL is **/logout**.

Permissions

Tesseract has built-in three basic permission levels, that can be easily extended.

Core levels are: 1) **admin** - superuser, 2) **editor** - can refresh data and edit articles, 3) **tester** - no elevated permissions, 4) **authenticated user** - rights the same as level 3, and 5) **unauthenticated user** - unknown identity.

Remote Calls

TBD

Core Features

Web Pages

TBD

Translations

TBD

PWA Manifest

TBD

Service Worker

TBD

Icons

TBD

Fonts

TBD

Sitemaps

Tesseract generates TXT and XML sitemaps based on the routing tables.

CSP Headers

You can define headers for *Content Security Policy* in **app/csp.neon** file.

Extra Features

Articles

TBD

QR Images

The route goes as **qr/[s|m|l|x:size]/[:trailing]**. The Hello World example is as follows:
[<https://lasagna.gscloud.cz/qr/s/Hello%20World>]

EPUB Ebook Reader

TBD

Pingback Monitoring

See the live demo at this URL: [<https://lasagna.gscloud.cz/pingback>]

Data Exports

TBD

Android App Extras

TBD

API Documentation

API is generated from the routing tables.

See the live demo at this URL: [<https://lasagna.gscloud.cz/api>]

What's next?

CURRENT: Known Bugs

NEXT: Implementations