

# Tesseract LASAGNA: MVP PWA Framework

## 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 (can be also rendered in the browser).

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

### Presenters

**Presenters** are subclass instances based on an *abstract class* **APresenter.php** and define 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**

# Filesystem Hierarchy

- **apache/** - Apache configuration example
- **app/** - Presenters and NE-ON configurations
- **bin/** - bash scripts for Makefile
- **ci/** - Continuous Integration output
- **data/** - private data, encryption keys, CSV imports...
- **doc/** - phpDocumentor generated documentation
- **docker/** - files to be inserted into the Docker container
- **logs/** - logs
- **node\_modules/** - Node.js modules for Gulp
- **temp/** - temporary files, Mustache compiled templates
- **vendor/** - Composer generated vendor classes
- **www/** - static assets (CSS, JS, fonts, images) and CDN hash-links

## Administration

### Login

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's 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.