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Technical Manual

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I. Executive Summary

Project Quiver is a site for showcasing projects from the College of Computer Studies. It was developed using PHP which runs on an Apache Server running PHP 5.6.8. This document details the folder structure, MVC architecture details, installation details, security guidelines, class and file specifications.

Project Quiver was developed under the Center for Complexity and Emerging Technologies (COMET) under its Civic Services thrust which aims to apply the research performed by the other thrusts or to simply develop systems that can be readily used in the real world.

Project Quiver is the intellectual property of Laurenz Tolentino, a graduate of Bachelor of Science, Major in Software Technology from De La Salle University – Manila. It was developed by Austin Fernandez, Gela Acorda, and Angelo Amadora, all undergraduates of the same degree program in the same university as well as COMET members.

II. Technical Specifications and Architecture

Project Quiver followed the MVC architecture but without using any external frameworks. The site was developed in PHP and runs on the Apache Server running PHP 5.6.8. This section will describe the folder structure; the model, view, and controller; installation details; and security guidelines.

Folder Structure

Project Quiver's root folder contains a few subfolders. "assets" contains any images used by the site. "css" contains all stylesheets. "documentations" contains any documentation including the Technical Manual, DB Models, and User Manual. "font" contains external fonts used by the site. "includes" includes the model and controller files. "js" contains any javascript files. "materialize" contains any css or js files used by the Materialize UI framework. "res" contains the admin-side files. "uploads" contains any files uploaded to the server.

Inside the "res" folder, for the admin side, this folder also contains "assets", "css", "font", "includes", "js", and "materialize" folders. It also contains a "commons" folder which includes header and footer php files.

MVC Architecture

Model

The "includes" folder contains all the model files. The globals.php file defines constants used by the system. The class.database.php file handles the database access, which is included by the mainfunctions.php file, which also includes the globals.php file. All future model files must then include the main-functions.php file or some file that includes the main-functions.php file.

View

All view files are in either the root directory or the res folder. At the beginning of each file, before the first non-PHP script line, all pertinent data must be retrieved. Since no framework is used, the html is constructed using PHP conditional statements and iterative statements.

Controller

All forms must have a request parameter (<input type="hidden" name="request"/>) that contains the request to which the form is to be sent. All form-actions are directed to includes/controller.php. controller.php then has a switch statement that switches based on the value of the request parameter. Additional request types can be added by adding a new switch-case.

Installation

To install the system onto a working Apache Server:

- 1. Place the ProjectQuiver folder in the server's root directory where projects are placed. The root Project Quiver folder will henceforth be referred to as \$ROOT.
- 2. Make sure a working database server is ready.
- Run the database schema file at \$ROOT/documentations/COMET_ProjectQuiver_EmptyDBDump.sql
- 4. Go to \$ROOT/includes/globals.php and \$ROOT/res/includes/globals.php and input the correct information pertaining to the database server.
- 5. Make sure the server is running HTTPS
- 6. Try going to the domain assigned to the site. The front page should show up.

7. To access the admin side, go to the domain/res

Security Guidelines

Authentication

- Passwords are hashed using the blowfish BCrypt algorithm.
- o When a session is idle for 24 hours, the user is logged out.
- Any session can only last one week or 168 hours.
- A user can attempt to log in 5 times incorrectly before they are logged out for fifteen minutes.
- The query for the username password only uses the username as a key.
- o All default accounts were removed from the database.
- Passwords have an enforced complexity standard that each password has at least one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter, 8 characters, one special character, and one number.
- Accounts expire after one year of inactivity.
- Reauthentication is enforced when an admin creates a new admin account.

Authorization

- The authorization matrix is in the pq role table in the database.
- Whenever a user loads a page or enters the controller, their authorization is rechecked.

Session Management

- The site is forced to HTTPS. No sessions or cookies persist unless the server is running HTTPS.
- o URL rewriting must be disabled on the server configuration.
- Sessions are refreshed on session restore from cookie, login, and logout.
- o Cookies are set to http only and secure in the server and the code.
- The custom session token uses the IP address in the hashing (which is a SHA256 hash).
- The cookie is set to expire after one week.

Data Validation and XSS

- Validation is always performed using regex in the view (javascript) and the controller (controller.php).
- o All user-provided output is encoded using htmlspecialchars().
- All queries are parametrized.
- CSP, X-XSS-Protection, X-Content-Type-Options, Content-Type headers are defined in main-functions.php.

Auditing and Logging

 All important events (create,update,and delete) are audited, including the user id, ip address, timestamp, and the action.

Cross Site Request Forgery and Clickjacking

- Hidden form tokens are included in all GET and POST requests.
- o X-Frame-Options header is included in main-functions.php.

III. Class and File Documentation

PHP

Class	Database
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20151031
	This class manages database access.
Properties	\$db – local db connection
Methods	construct
	constructs a basic db connection
	@param \$dbType - type of database
	@param \$dbHost - host address of db server
	@param \$dbName - schema name
	@param \$dbUser - username on server
	@param \$dbPass - password for corresponding user on server
	query
	executes an sql statement over the database
	@param \$type type of statement (SELECT,INSERT,UPDATE)
	@param \$sql sql statement
	@param \$param [optional] associative array of parameters
	@return object comprising of
	status -> true if successful, false otherwise
	data -> array of associative arrays with all the data
	count -> number of rows returned
	error -> error returned

File	audit-functions.php
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160810
	This file is responsible for auditing user actions.
Functions	audit_add
	adds an audit to the db
	@param @action action of the user in the audit
	@return 1 if successful, 0 otherwise

File	globals.php
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160813
	This file defines globals for the system.
Constants	DBTYPE – type of database used by the system
	DBHOST – host address of the db server
	DBNAME – schema name ("db_project_quiver")
	DBUSER – username in server
	DBPASS – password for username
	MAX_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS – maximum number of login attempts before lockout (5)

File	image-functions.php
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160609
	This file manages image uploads
Functions	img_upload
	This uploads a list of photos to the given foldername under the uploads folder.
	@param \$folderName name of folder to save images in
	@param \$images list of images, each with
	name - name of image
	size - size of image
	tmp_name - temporary location of image
	@return array of paths to the images or FALSE if an error occured

File	main-functions.php @author Austin Fernandez			
	@20151102			
	This file handles all unclasssified functions. HTTP Headers are also added here			
HTTP	X-Frame-Options - sameorigin			
Headers				
added				
	Content-Security-Policy - default-src 'self'; script-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' 'unsafe-eval' https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/1.12.2/jquery.min.js; object-src 'self'; style-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' https://fonts.googleapis.com/; img-src 'self'; form-action 'self'; media-src 'self'; font-src 'self' https://fonts.gstatic.com/ https://fonts.googleapis.com/ https://applesocial.s3.amazonaws.com/; plugin-types application/pdf application/x-shockwave-flash; reflected-xss block;			
	X-Content-Security-Policy - default-src 'self'; script-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' 'unsafe-eval' https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/1.12.2/jquery.min.js; object-src 'self'; style-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' https://fonts.googleapis.com/; img-src 'self'; form-action 'self'; media-src 'self'; font-src 'self' https://fonts.gstatic.com/ https://fonts.googleapis.com/ https://applesocial.s3.amazonaws.com/; plugin-types application/pdf application/x-shockwave-flash; reflected-xss block;");			
	X-Webkit-CSP - default-src 'self'; script-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' 'unsafe-eval' https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/1.12.2/jquery.min.js; object-src 'self'; style-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' https://fonts.googleapis.com/; img-src 'self'; form-action 'self'; media-src 'self'; font-src 'self' https://fonts.gstatic.com/ https://fonts.googleapis.com/ https://applesocial.s3.amazonaws.com/; plugin-types application/pdf application/x-shockwave-flash; reflected-xss block;			
	X-XSS-Protection - 1;mode=block			
	X-Content-Type-Options – nosniff			
	Content-Type - text/html; charset=utf-8			
Functions	format_date			
	converts YYYY-MM-DD format to Month Day, Year			
	@param \$date date to convert @return date in correct format			
	validateDate			
	validates that a date is in YYYY-MM-DD format			

@param \$date date to validate
@return true if valid, false otherwise
validateEmail
validates an email address
@param \$email to validate
@return true if valid, false otherwise
validateDLSUEmail
validates an email address
@param \$email to validate
@return true if valid, false otherwise

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	@20150722	s all prainct rol	atad functions	
F atiana	+	s all project-rel	ated functions.	
Functions	proj_get_all		and to do a	
	• •	returns all projects that have been judged		
	@return all pro	•	ith each element having	
		name	- name of project	
		class	- classification of project	
		abstract	- abstract of project	
		description	- description of project	
		review	- review of project	
		reviewer	- name of reviewer	
	proj_get_pend	-		
	returns all pend			
	@return list of	pending projec	ts with	
		name	- name of project	
		class	- classification of project	
		abstract	- abstract of project	
		description	- description of project	
		review	- review of project	
		reviewer	- name of reviewer	
	proj_get_best			
	returns the top	projects for dis	splaying in the Quiver site	
	@return list of	top projects wi	th	
		name	- name of project	
		class	- classification of project	
		abstract	- abstract of project	
		description	- description of project	
		review	- review of project	
		reviewer	- name of reviewer	
	proj_get			
	gets a single pr	oject		
	@param \$id id	-		
	@return project associative array with			
		name	- name of project	

	class	- classification of project
	abstract	- abstract of project
	description	- description of project
	review	- review of project
	reviewer	- name of reviewer
proj_review		
adds a review	to a project	
@param \$id id	of project	
@param \$revi	ewer id of review	ver
@param \$revie	ew review text	
@param \$grad	es list of grades	
@param \$reco	gs list of recogni	itions
@return TRUE	if successful and	FALSE otherwise
proj_add		
adds a project	to the database	
@param \$nam	e name of proje	ct
@param \$class	classification of	fproject
@param \$abst	ract abstract of p	project
@param \$deso	description of p	project
@param \$stud	ents list of stude	ents with
	idNo id numbe	r
	fName first nar	me
	lName last nan	ne
	email email ad	dress
@param \$tags	•	
@return id of p	project if success	ful and FALSE otherwise
proj_add_imag		
adds images to	a project in the	database
@param \$id id	of project	
- •	•	e urls for images
@return true i	f successful, false	e otherwise

File	security-functions.php * @author Austin Fernandez * @20160810 * This file handles security related operations.
Functions	checkAuth
	checks if a certain feature is allowed by the current user
	@param \$feature feature to be tested
	@return 1 if allowed and 0 otherwise
	genHash
	generates a hash using ip address as client-side control
	@param \$ip ip address of client
	@return hashed token
	genToken
	forcefully generates a new token
	@param \$ip ip address of client

restoreToken
restores the session token
@return new session token
checkToken
checks if given token is equal to client side token
@param \$token to ken to chec
@return true if tokens match, false otherwise

File	student-functions.php	
	@author Austin Fernandez	
	@20160705	
	This file handles student related operations.	
Functions	student_add	
	adds a student to the database	
	@param \$idNo id number	
	@param \$fName first name	
	@param \$IName last name	
	@param \$email email address	
	@param id of student if successful, FALSE otherwise	
	student_get	
	gets a students' details	
	@param \$idNo id number	
	@return associative array of the student with	
	id - id of student in database	
	idNo - id number	
	fName - first name	
	IName - last name	
	email - email address	

File	user-functions.php
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160810
	This function manages user data in the database.
Functions	usr_add
	adds a user to the database
	@param \$email email address of user
	@param \$password password of user
	@param \$fname first name of user
	@param \$Iname last name of user
	@param \$usrType type of user
	@return true if success and false otherwise
	usr_check
	checks if a password is correct for an account
	@param \$email email address of account
	@param \$password password to check
	@return id of user if correct password, FALSE otherwise
	usr_get_session

Returns the session user or null if none. If no user is set, it tries to use a cookie to restore
a session
@return session user object or NULL if none
usr get
gets the details of one user
@param \$id id of user in database
@return user containing
id - id of user in db
email - email address of user
fName - first name of user
IName - last name of user
addProject - 1 if user can add project, 0 otherwise
judgeProject - 1 if user can judge project, 0 otherwise
createUser - 1 if user can create User, 0 otherwise
deleteUser - 1 if user can delete User, 0 otherwise
usr_get_by_email
gets user details using email
@param \$email address of user
@return user containing
id - id of user in db
email - email address of user
fName - first name of user
IName - last name of user
addProject - 1 if user can add project, 0 otherwise
judgeProject - 1 if user can judge project, 0 otherwise
createUser - 1 if user can create User, 0 otherwise
deleteUser - 1 if user can delete User, 0 otherwise

Javascript

File	addProject.js
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160813
	This file handles the add project screen.
	Main namespace is "addProject"
Functions	checkSubmit
	checks the form if all fields' values are valid.
	@return true if everything is valid, false otherwise

File	createAccount.js
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160813
	This file handles the create account screen.
Functions	checkSubmit
	checks the form if all fields' values are valid.
	@return true if everything is valid, false otherwise

File	createAccount.js
	@author Austin Fernandez
	@20160813
	This file handles the create account screen.
Functions	showError
	shows the given error message
	@param message message to be shown
	showMessage
	shows the given message
	@param message message to be shown
	appendMessage
	constructs a new message given the current message and an addition
	@param message current message
	@param add string to add
	@return new message
	checkPass
	checks if a password meets the standards i.e. has at least one uppercase letter, one
	lowercase letter, 8 characters, one special character, and one number
	@param pass password to check
	@return true if valid, error message otherwise