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Catalyst::Manual::Tutorial - Catalyst Tutorial: Overview

DESCRIPTION 1

The Catalyst framework is a flexible and comprehensive environment for quickly building highfunctionality web applications. This tutorial is designed to provide a rapid introduction to its basics and its most commonly used features while focusing on real-world best practices.

We suggest that you read this introduction on the web. Make sure you are reading the latest version of the tutorial by visiting https://metacpan.org/module/Catalyst::Manual::Tutorial. Alternatively you can use CPAN modules like Pod::Webserver, Pod::POM::Web, Pod::Browser (Catalyst based), or CPAN::Mini::Webserver to read a local copy of the tutorial.

The tutorial is divided into the following sections:

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Final code tarballs for each chapter of the tutorial are available at http://dev.catalyst.perl.org/repos/Catalyst/trunk/examples/Tutorial/.

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Chapter 1: Intro

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