CakePHP 5 Model Methods Cheat Sheet

Common Model Methods in CakePHP 5

This cheat sheet contains frequently used CakePHP 5 model methods to work with the database, including saving, retrieving, updating, and deleting records using the ORM.

newEmptyEntity()

Creates a new blank entity.

newEntity(array $data)

Creates a new entity and fills it with data (applies validation).

patchEntity($entity, array $data)

Updates an existing entity with new data.

save($entity)

Saves a single entity to the database (insert or update).

saveMany(array $entities)

Saves multiple entities in one call.

get($id)

Retrieves a record by primary key.

find()

Starts a query to fetch one or more records.

delete($entity)

Deletes a specific entity from the database.

deleteAll($conditions)

Deletes all records that match the given conditions.

exists($conditions)

Checks if any record matches the specified condition.