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## **Support Policy**

Security fixes are **always** applied to the previous major version of Laravel. Currently, **all** security fixes and patches will be applied to both Laravel 5.x **and** Laravel 4.x.

When feasible, security fixes will also be applied to even older releases of the framework, such as Laravel 3.x.

### Laravel 5.0

Laravel 5.0 introduces a fresh application structure to the default Laravel project. This new structure serves as a better foundation for building robust application in Laravel, as well as embraces new auto-loading standards (PSR-4) throughout the application. First, let's examine some of the major changes:

### **New Folder Structure**

The old app/models directory has been entirely removed. Instead, all of your code lives directly within the app folder, and, by default, is organized to the App namespace. This default namespace can be quickly changed using the new app:name Artisan command.

Controllers, middleware, and requests (a new type of class in Laravel 5.0) are now grouped under the app/Http directory, as they are all classes related to the HTTP transport layer of your application. Instead of a single, flat file of route filters, all middleware are now broken into their own class files.

A new app/Providers directory replaces the app/start files from previous versions of Laravel 4.x. These service providers provide various bootstrapping functions to your application, such as error handling, logging, route loading, and more. Of course, you are free to create additional service providers for your application.

Application language files and views have been moved to the resources directory.

### **Contracts**

All major Laravel components implement interfaces which are located in the <code>illuminate/contracts</code> repository. This repository has no external dependencies. Having a convenient, centrally located set of interfaces you may use for decoupling and dependency injection will serve as an easy alternative option to Laravel Facades.

For more information on contracts, consult the full documentation.

#### **Route Cache**

If your application is made up entirely of controller routes, you may utilize the new route:cache Artisan command to drastically speed up the registration of your routes. This is primarily useful on applications with 100+ routes and will **drastically** speed up this portion of your application.

### **Route Middleware**

In addition to Laravel 4 style route "filters", Laravel 5 now supports HTTP middleware, and the included authentication and CSRF "filters" have been converted to middleware. Middleware provides a single, consistent interface to replace all types of filters, allowing you to easily inspect, and even reject, requests before they enter your application.

For more information on middleware, check out the documentation.

## **Controller Method Injection**

In addition to the existing constructor injection, you may now type-hint dependencies on controller methods. The <u>service container</u> will automatically inject the dependencies, even if the route contains other parameters:

## **Authentication Scaffolding**

User registration, authentication, and password reset controllers are now included out of the box, as well as simple corresponding views, which are located at resources/views/auth. In addition, a "users" table migration has been included with the framework. Including these simple resources allows rapid development of application ideas without bogging down on authentication boilerplate. The authentication views may be accessed on the auth/login and auth/register routes. The App\services\Auth\Registrar service is responsible for user validation and creation.

## **Event Objects**

You may now define events as objects instead of simply using strings. For example, check out the following event:

```
class PodcastWasPurchased {
   public $podcast;

   public function __construct(Podcast $podcast)
   {
      $this->podcast = $podcast;
   }
}
```

The event may be dispatched like normal:

```
Event::fire(new PodcastWasPurchased($podcast));
```

Of course, your event handler will receive the event object instead of a list of data:

```
class ReportPodcastPurchase {
```

```
public function handle(PodcastWasPurchased $event)
{
     //
}
```

For more information on working with events, check out the <u>full documentation</u>.

## **Commands / Queueing**

In addition to the queue job format supported in Laravel 4, Laravel 5 allows you to represent your queued jobs as simple command objects. These commands live in the app/commands directory. Here's a sample command:

```
class PurchasePodcast extends Command implements SelfHandling,
ShouldBeQueued {
    use SerializesModels;
    protected $user, $podcast;
    * Create a new command instance.
    * @return void
   public function __construct(User $user, Podcast $podcast)
        $this->user = $user;
        $this->podcast = $podcast;
    * Execute the command.
     * @return void
   public function handle()
        // Handle the logic to purchase the podcast...
        event(new PodcastWasPurchased($this->user, $this->podcast));
    }
}
```

The base Laravel controller utilizes the new DispatchesCommands trait, allowing you to easily dispatch your commands for execution:

```
$this->dispatch(new PurchasePodcastCommand($user, $podcast));
```

Of course, you may also use commands for tasks that are executed synchronously (are not queued). In fact, using commands is a great way to encapsulate complex tasks your application needs to perform. For more information, check out the <a href="command bus">command bus</a> documentation.

### **Database Queue**

A database queue driver is now included in Laravel, providing a simple, local queue driver that requires no extra package installation beyond your database software.

## Laravel Scheduler

In the past, developers have generated a Cron entry for each console command they wished to schedule. However, this is a headache. Your console schedule is no longer in source control, and you must SSH into your server to add the Cron entries. Let's make our lives easier. The Laravel command scheduler allows you to fluently and expressively define your command schedule within Laravel itself, and only a single Cron entry is needed on your server.

It looks like this:

```
$schedule->command('artisan:command')->dailyAt('15:00');
```

Of course, check out the <u>full documentation</u> to learn all about the scheduler!

## Tinker / Psysh

The php artisan tinker command now utilizes <u>Psysh</u> by Justin Hileman, a more robust REPL for PHP. If you liked Boris in Laravel 4, you're going to love Psysh. Even better, it works on Windows! To get started, just try:

```
php artisan tinker
```

### **DotEnv**

Instead of a variety of confusing, nested environment configuration directories, Laravel 5 now utilizes <u>DotEnv</u> by Vance Lucas. This library provides a super simple way to manage your environment configuration, and makes environment detection in Laravel 5 a breeze. For more details, check out the full <u>configuration</u> documentation.

### **Laravel Elixir**

Laravel Elixir, by Jeffrey Way, provides a fluent, expressive interface to compiling and concatenating your assets. If you've ever been intimidated by learning Grunt or Gulp, fear no more. Elixir makes it a cinch to get started using Gulp to compile your Less, Sass, and CoffeeScript. It can even run your tests for you!

For more information on Elixir, check out the <u>full documentation</u>.

### **Laravel Socialite**

Laravel Socialite is an optional, Laravel 5.0+ compatible package that provides totally painless authentication with OAuth providers. Currently, Socialite supports Facebook, Twitter, Google, and GitHub. Here's what it looks like:

```
public function redirectForAuth()
{
    return Socialize::with('twitter')->redirect();
}

public function getUserFromProvider()
{
    $user = Socialize::with('twitter')->user();
}
```

No more spending hours writing OAuth authentication flows. Get started in minutes! The <u>full documentation</u> has all the details.

### Flysystem Integration

Laravel now includes the powerful <u>Flysystem</u> filesystem abstraction library, providing pain free integration with local, Amazon S3, and Rackspace cloud storage - all with one, unified and elegant API! Storing a file in Amazon S3 is now as simple as:

```
Storage::put('file.txt', 'contents');
```

For more information on the Laravel Flysystem integration, consult the <u>full</u> documentation.

## **Form Requests**

Laravel 5.0 introduces form requests, which extend the

Illuminate\Foundation\Http\FormRequest class. These request objects can be combined with controller method injection to provide a boiler-plate free method of validating user input. Let's dig in and look at a sample FormRequest:

Once the class has been defined, we can type-hint it on our controller action:

```
public function register(RegisterRequest $request)
{
    var_dump($request->input());
}
```

When the Laravel service container identifies that the class it is injecting is a FormRequest instance, the request will **automatically be validated**. This means that if your controller action is called, you can safely assume the HTTP request input has been validated according to the rules you specified in your form request class. Even more, if the request is invalid, an HTTP redirect, which you may customize, will automatically be issued, and the error messages will be either flashed to the session or converted to JSON. **Form validation has never been more simple.** For more information on FormRequest validation, check out the documentation.

### **Simple Controller Request Validation**

The Laravel 5 base controller now includes a validatesRequests trait. This trait provides a simple validate method to validate incoming requests. If FormRequests are a little too much for your application, check this out:

```
public function createPost(Request $request)
{
    $this->validate($request, [
         'title' => 'required|max:255',
         'body' => 'required',
    ]);
}
```

If the validation fails, an exception will be thrown and the proper HTTP response will automatically be sent back to the browser. The validation errors will even be flashed to the session! If the request was an AJAX request, Laravel even takes care of sending a JSON representation of the validation errors back to you.

For more information on this new method, check out the documentation.

#### **New Generators**

To complement the new default application structure, new Artisan generator commands have been added to the framework. See php artisan list for more details.

## **Configuration Cache**

You may now cache all of your configuration in a single file using the config:cache command.

## **Symfony VarDumper**

The popular da helper function, which dumps variable debug information, has been upgraded to use the amazing Symfony VarDumper. This provides color-coded output and even collapsing of arrays. Just try the following in your project:

dd([1, 2, 3]);

### Laravel 4.2

The full change list for this release by running the php artisan changes command from a 4.2 installation, or by viewing the change file on Github. These notes only cover the major enhancements and changes for the release.

**Note:** During the 4.2 release cycle, many small bug fixes and enhancements were incorporated into the various Laravel 4.1 point releases. So, be sure to check the change list for Laravel 4.1 as well!

### PHP 5.4 Requirement

Laravel 4.2 requires PHP 5.4 or greater. This upgraded PHP requirement allows us to use new PHP features such as traits to provide more expressive interfaces for tools like <u>Laravel Cashier</u>. PHP 5.4 also brings significant speed and performance improvements over PHP 5.3.

### Laravel Forge

Laravel Forge, a new web based application, provides a simple way to create and manage PHP servers on the cloud of your choice, including Linode, DigitalOcean, Rackspace, and Amazon EC2. Supporting automated Nginx configuration, SSH key access, Cron job automation, server monitoring via NewRelic & Papertrail, "Push To Deploy", Laravel queue worker configuration, and more, Forge provides the simplest and most affordable way to launch all of your Laravel applications.

The default Laravel 4.2 installation's app/config/database.php configuration file is now configured for Forge usage by default, allowing for more convenient deployment of fresh applications onto the platform.

More information about Laravel Forge can be found on the <u>official Forge website</u>.

### **Laravel Homestead**

Laravel Homestead is an official Vagrant environment for developing robust Laravel and PHP applications. The vast majority of the boxes' provisioning needs are handled before the box is packaged for distribution, allowing the box to boot extremely quickly. Homestead includes Nginx 1.6, PHP 5.6, MySQL, Postgres, Redis, Memcached, Beanstalk, Node, Gulp, Grunt, & Bower. Homestead includes a simple Homestead.yaml configuration file for managing multiple Laravel applications on a single box.

The default Laravel 4.2 installation now includes an app/config/local/database.php configuration file that is configured to use the Homestead database out of the box, making Laravel initial installation and configuration more convenient.

The official documentation has also been updated to include <u>Homestead</u> <u>documentation</u>.

### **Laravel Cashier**

Laravel Cashier is a simple, expressive library for managing subscription billing with Stripe. With the introduction of Laravel 4.2, we are including Cashier documentation along with the main Laravel documentation, though installation of the component itself is still optional. This release of Cashier brings numerous bug fixes, multi-currency support, and compatibility with the latest Stripe API.

## **Daemon Queue Workers**

The Artisan queue:work command now supports a --daemon option to start a worker in "daemon mode", meaning the worker will continue to process jobs without ever re-booting the framework. This results in a significant reduction in CPU usage at the cost of a slightly more complex application deployment process.

More information about daemon queue workers can be found in the <u>queue</u> <u>documentation</u>.

### **Mail API Drivers**

Laravel 4.2 introduces new Mailgun and Mandrill API drivers for the Mail functions. For many applications, this provides a faster and more reliable method of sending e-mails than the SMTP options. The new drivers utilize the Guzzle 4 HTTP library.

### **Soft Deleting Traits**

A much cleaner architecture for "soft deletes" and other "global scopes" has been introduced via PHP 5.4 traits. This new architecture allows for the easier construction of similar global traits, and a cleaner separation of concerns within the framework itself.

More information on the new softDeletingTrait may be found in the <u>Eloquent</u> <u>documentation</u>.

### **Convenient Auth & Remindable Traits**

The default Laravel 4.2 installation now uses simple traits for including the needed properties for the authentication and password reminder user interfaces. This provides a much cleaner default user model file out of the box.

## "Simple Paginate"

A new simplePaginate method was added to the query and Eloquent builder which allows for more efficient queries when using simple "Next" and "Previous" links in your pagination view.

## **Migration Confirmation**

In production, destructive migration operations will now ask for confirmation. Commands may be forced to run without any prompts using the --force command.

### Laravel 4.1

### **Full Change List**

The full change list for this release by running the php artisan changes command from a 4.1 installation, or by <u>viewing the change file on Github</u>. These notes only cover the major enhancements and changes for the release.

## **New SSH Component**

An entirely new SSH component has been introduced with this release. This feature allows you to easily SSH into remote servers and run commands. To learn more, consult the <u>SSH component documentation</u>.

The new php artisan tail command utilizes the new SSH component. For more information, consult the tail command documentation.

### **Boris In Tinker**

The php artisan tinker command now utilizes the <u>Boris REPL</u> if your system supports it. The readline and pcntl PHP extensions must be installed to use this feature. If you do not have these extensions, the shell from 4.0 will be used.

### **Eloquent Improvements**

A new hasManyThrough relationship has been added to Eloquent. To learn how to use it, consult the <u>Eloquent documentation</u>.

A new whereHas method has also been introduced to allow <u>retrieving models based</u> on relationship constraints.

### **Database Read / Write Connections**

Automatic handling of separate read / write connections is now available throughout the database layer, including the query builder and Eloquent. For more information, consult the documentation.

## **Queue Priority**

Queue priorities are now supported by passing a comma-delimited list to the queue:listen command.

## **Failed Queue Job Handling**

The queue facilities now include automatic handling of failed jobs when using the new --tries switch on queue:listen. More information on handling failed jobs can be found in the queue documentation.

## **Cache Tags**

Cache "sections" have been superseded by "tags". Cache tags allow you to assign multiple "tags" to a cache item, and flush all items assigned to a single tag. More information on using cache tags may be found in the <u>cache documentation</u>.

### Flexible Password Reminders

The password reminder engine has been changed to provide greater developer flexibility when validating passwords, flashing status messages to the session, etc. For more information on using the enhanced password reminder engine, consult the documentation.

## **Improved Routing Engine**

Laravel 4.1 features a totally re-written routing layer. The API is the same; however, registering routes is a full 100% faster compared to 4.0. The entire engine has been greatly simplified, and the dependency on Symfony Routing has been minimized to the compiling of route expressions.

### **Improved Session Engine**

With this release, we're also introducing an entirely new session engine. Similar to the routing improvements, the new session layer is leaner and faster. We are no longer using Symfony's (and therefore PHP's) session handling facilities, and are using a custom solution that is simpler and easier to maintain.

### **Doctrine DBAL**

If you are using the renamecolumn function in your migrations, you will need to add the doctrine/dbal dependency to your composer.json file. This package is no longer included in Laravel by default.

#### **Prologue**

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## **Upgrading To 5.0.16**

In your bootstrap/autoload.php file, update the \$compiledPath variable to:

```
$compiledPath = __DIR__.'/../vendor/compiled.php';
```

## **Upgrading To 5.0 From 4.2**

## Fresh Install, Then Migrate

The recommended method of upgrading is to create a new Laravel 5.0 install and then to copy your 4.2 site's unique application files into the new application. This would include controllers, routes, Eloquent models, Artisan commands, assets, and other code specific to your application.

To start, <u>install a new Laravel 5 application</u> into a fresh directory in your local environment. We'll discuss each piece of the migration process in further detail below.

## **Composer Dependencies & Packages**

Don't forget to copy any additional Composer dependencies into your 5.0 application. This includes third-party code such as SDKs.

Some Laravel-specific packages may not be compatible with Laravel 5 on initial release. Check with your package's maintainer to determine the proper version of the package for Laravel 5. Once you have added any additional Composer dependencies your application needs, run composer update.

### **Namespacing**

By default, Laravel 4 applications did not utilize namespacing within your application code. So, for example, all Eloquent models and controllers simply lived in the "global" namespace. For a quicker migration, you can simply leave these classes in the global namespace in Laravel 5 as well.

### Configuration

### **Migrating Environment Variables**

Copy the new .env.example file to .env, which is the 5.0 equivalent of the old .env.php file. Set any appropriate values there, like your APP\_ENV and APP\_KEY (your encryption key), your database credentials, and your cache and session drivers.

Additionally, copy any custom values you had in your old .env.php file and place them in both .env (the real value for your local environment) and .env.example (a sample instructional value for other team members).

For more information on environment configuration, view the <u>full documentation</u>.

**Note:** You will need to place the appropriate .env file and values on your production server before deploying your Laravel 5 application.

### **Configuration Files**

Laravel 5.0 no longer uses app/config/{environmentName}/ directories to provide specific configuration files for a given environment. Instead, move any configuration values that vary by environment into .env, and then access them in your configuration files using env('key', 'default value'). You will see examples of this in the config/database.php configuration file.

Set the config files in the <code>config/</code> directory to represent either the values that are consistent across all of your environments, or set them to use <code>env()</code> to load values that vary by environment.

Remember, if you add more keys to .env file, add sample values to the .env.example file as well. This will help your other team members create their own .env files.

#### Routes

Copy and paste your old routes.php file into your new app/Http/routes.php.

### **Controllers**

Next, move all of your controllers into the app/Http/Controllers directory. Since we are not going to migrate to full namespacing in this guide, add the app/Http/Controllers directory to the classmap directive of your composer.json file. Next, you can remove the namespace from the abstract app/Http/Controllers/Controller.php base class. Verify that your migrated controllers are extending this base class.

In your app/Providers/RouteServiceProvider.php file, set the namespace property to null.

### **Route Filters**

Copy your filter bindings from app/filters.php and place them into the boot() method of app/Providers/RouteServiceProvider.php. Add use Illuminate\Support\Facades\Route; in the app/Providers/RouteServiceProvider.php in order to continue using the Route Facade.

You do not need to move over any of the default Laravel 4.0 filters such as auth and csrf; they're all here, but as middleware. Edit any routes or controllers that reference the old default filters (e.g. ['before' => 'auth']) and change them to reference the new middleware (e.g. ['middleware' => 'auth'].)

Filters are not removed in Laravel 5. You can still bind and use your own custom filters using before and after.

### **Global CSRF**

By default, <u>CSRF protection</u> is enabled on all routes. If you'd like to disable this, or only manually enable it on certain routes, remove this line from App\Http\Kernel's middleware array:

'App\Http\Middleware\VerifyCsrfToken',

If you want to use it elsewhere, add this line to \$routeMiddleware:

```
'csrf' => 'App\Http\Middleware\VerifyCsrfToken',
```

Now you can add the middleware to individual routes / controllers using ['middleware' => 'csrf'] on the route. For more information on middleware, consult the <u>full documentation</u>.

## **Eloquent Models**

Feel free to create a new app/Models directory to house your Eloquent models. Again, add this directory to the classmap directive of your composer.json file.

Update any models using SoftDeletingTrait to use Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\SoftDeletes.

#### **Eloquent Caching**

Eloquent no longer provides the remember method for caching queries. You now are responsible for caching your queries manually using the cache::remember function. For more information on caching, consult the <u>full documentation</u>.

### **User Authentication Model**

To upgrade your user model for Laravel 5's authentication system, follow these instructions:

### Delete the following from your use block:

```
use Illuminate\Auth\UserInterface;
use Illuminate\Auth\Reminders\RemindableInterface;
```

### Add the following to your use block:

```
use Illuminate\Auth\Authenticatable;
use Illuminate\Auth\Passwords\CanResetPassword;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\Authenticatable as AuthenticatableContract;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\CanResetPassword as
CanResetPasswordContract;
```

#### Remove the UserInterface and RemindableInterface interfaces.

### Mark the class as implementing the following interfaces:

 $\verb|implements| Authenticatable Contract, Can Reset Password Contract|$ 

### Include the following traits within the class declaration:

```
use Authenticatable, CanResetPassword;
```

If you used them, remove Illuminate\Auth\Reminders\RemindableTrait and Illuminate\Auth\UserTrait from your use block and your class declaration.

## **Cashier User Changes**

The name of the trait and interface used by <u>Laravel Cashier</u> has changed. Instead of using BillableTrait, use the Laravel\Cashier\Billable trait. And, instead of Laravel\Cashier\BillableInterface implement the Laravel\Cashier\Contracts\Billable interface instead. No other method changes are required.

### **Artisan Commands**

Move all of your command classes from your old app/commands directory to the new app/console/commands directory. Next, add the app/console/commands directory to the classmap directive of your composer.json file.

Then, copy your list of Artisan commands from start/artisan.php into the commands array of the app/console/Kernel.php file.

## **Database Migrations & Seeds**

Delete the two migrations included with Laravel 5.0, since you should already have the users table in your database.

Move all of your migration classes from the old app/database/migrations directory to the new database/migrations. All of your seeds should be moved from app/database/seeds to database/seeds.

## **Global IoC Bindings**

If you have any <u>IoC</u> bindings in start/global.php, move them all to the register method of the app/Providers/AppServiceProvider.php file. You may need to import the App facade.

Optionally, you may break these bindings up into separate service providers by category.

### Views

Move your views from app/views to the new resources/views directory.

### **Blade Tag Changes**

For better security by default, Laravel 5.0 escapes all output from both the {{}} and {{{}}} Blade directives. A new {!! !!} directive has been introduced to display raw, unescaped output. The most secure option when upgrading your application is to only use the new {!! !!} directive when you are **certain** that it is safe to display raw output.

However, if you **must** use the old Blade syntax, add the following lines at the bottom of AppServiceProvider@register:

```
\Blade::setRawTags('{{', '}}');
\Blade::setContentTags('{{{', '}}}');
\Blade::setEscapedContentTags('{{{', '}}}');
```

This should not be done lightly, and may make your application more vulnerable to XSS exploits. Also, comments with {{-- will no longer work.

### **Translation Files**

Move your language files from app/lang to the new resources/lang directory.

## **Public Directory**

Copy your application's public assets from your 4.2 application's public directory to your new application's public directory. Be sure to keep the 5.0 version of index.php.

### **Tests**

Move your tests from app/tests to the new tests directory.

### Misc. Files

Copy in any other files in your project. For example, .scrutinizer.yml, bower.json and other similar tooling configuration files.

You may move your Sass, Less, or CoffeeScript to any location you wish. The resources/assets directory could be a good default location.

## Form & HTML Helpers

If you're using Form or HTML helpers, you will see an error stating class 'Form' not found or class 'Html' not found. The Form and HTML helpers have been deprecated in Laravel 5.0; however, there are community-driven replacements such as those maintained by the <u>Laravel Collective</u>.

For example, you may add "laravelcollective/html": "~5.0" to your composer.json file's require section.

You'll also need to add the Form and HTML facades and service provider. Edit config/app.php and add this line to the 'providers' array:

```
'Collective\Html\HtmlServiceProvider',
```

Next, add these lines to the 'aliases' array:

```
'Form' => 'Collective\Html\FormFacade',
'Html' => 'Collective\Html\HtmlFacade',
```

### CacheManager

If your application code was injecting Illuminate\Cache\CacheManager to get a non-Facade version of Laravel's cache, inject

Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Repository instead.

## **Pagination**

Replace any calls to \$paginator->links() With \$paginator->render().

Replace any calls to \$paginator->getFrom() and \$paginator->getTo() with \$paginator->firstItem() and \$paginator->lastItem() respectively.

Remove the "get" prefix from calls to \$paginator->getPerPage(), \$paginator->getCurrentPage(), \$paginator->getLastPage() and \$paginator->getTotal() (e.g. \$paginator->perPage()).

## **Beanstalk Queuing**

```
Laravel 5.0 now requires "pda/pheanstalk": "~3.0" instead of "pda/pheanstalk": "~2.1".
```

### Remote

The Remote component has been deprecated.

#### Workbench

The Workbench component has been deprecated.

## **Upgrading To 4.2 From 4.1**

### PHP 5.4+

Laravel 4.2 requires PHP 5.4.0 or greater.

## **Encryption Defaults**

Add a new cipher option in your app/config/app.php configuration file. The value of this option should be MCRYPT\_RIJNDAEL\_256.

```
'cipher' => MCRYPT_RIJNDAEL_256
```

This setting may be used to control the default cipher used by the Laravel encryption facilities.

**Note:** In Laravel 4.2, the default cipher is MCRYPT\_RIJNDAEL\_128 (AES), which is considered to be the most secure cipher. Changing the cipher back to MCRYPT\_RIJNDAEL\_256 is required to decrypt cookies/values that were encrypted in Laravel <= 4.1

### **Soft Deleting Models Now Use Traits**

If you are using soft deleting models, the softDeletes property has been removed. You must now use the SoftDeletingTrait like so:

```
use Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\SoftDeletingTrait;

class User extends Eloquent {
    use SoftDeletingTrait;
}

You must also manually add the deleted_at column to your dates property:

class User extends Eloquent {
    use SoftDeletingTrait;

    protected $dates = ['deleted_at'];
}
```

The API for all soft delete operations remains the same.

**Note:** The softDeletingTrait can not be applied on a base model. It must be used on an actual model class.

## **View / Pagination Environment Renamed**

If you are directly referencing the Illuminate\view\Environment class or Illuminate\Pagination\Environment class, update your code to reference Illuminate\View\Factory and Illuminate\Pagination\Factory instead. These two classes have been renamed to better reflect their function.

## **Additional Parameter On Pagination Presenter**

If you are extending the Illuminate\Pagination\Presenter class, the abstract method getPageLinkWrapper signature has changed to add the rel argument:

abstract public function getPageLinkWrapper(\$url, \$page, \$rel = null);

## **Iron.Io Queue Encryption**

If you are using the Iron.io queue driver, you will need to add a new encrypt option to your queue configuration file:

'encrypt' => true

## Upgrading To 4.1.29 From $\leq 4.1.x$

Laravel 4.1.29 improves the column quoting for all database drivers. This protects your application from some mass assignment vulnerabilities when **not** using the fillable property on models. If you are using the fillable property on your models to protect against mass assignment, your application is not vulnerable. However, if you are using guarded and are passing a user controlled array into an "update" or "save" type function, you should upgrade to 4.1.29 immediately as your application may be at risk of mass assignment.

To upgrade to Laravel 4.1.29, simply composer update. No breaking changes are introduced in this release.

# Upgrading To 4.1.26 From $\leq 4.1.25$

Laravel 4.1.26 introduces security improvements for "remember me" cookies. Before this update, if a remember cookie was hijacked by another malicious user, the cookie would remain valid for a long period of time, even after the true owner of the account reset their password, logged out, etc.

This change requires the addition of a new remember\_token column to your users (or equivalent) database table. After this change, a fresh token will be assigned to the user each time they login to your application. The token will also be refreshed when the user logs out of the application. The implications of this change are: if a "remember me" cookie is hijacked, simply logging out of the application will invalidate the cookie.

### **Upgrade Path**

First, add a new, nullable remember\_token of VARCHAR(100), TEXT, or equivalent to your users table.

Next, if you are using the Eloquent authentication driver, update your user class with the following three methods:

```
public function getRememberToken()
{
    return $this->remember_token;
}

public function setRememberToken($value)
{
    $this->remember_token = $value;
}

public function getRememberTokenName()
{
    return 'remember_token';
}
```

**Note:** All existing "remember me" sessions will be invalidated by this change, so all users will be forced to re-authenticate with your application.

## **Package Maintainers**

Two new methods were added to the <code>illuminate\Auth\UserProviderInterface</code> interface. Sample implementations may be found in the default drivers:

```
public function retrieveByToken($identifier, $token);
public function updateRememberToken(UserInterface $user, $token);
```

The Illuminate\Auth\UserInterface also received the three new methods described in the "Upgrade Path".

## **Upgrading To 4.1 From 4.0**

## **Upgrading Your Composer Dependency**

To upgrade your application to Laravel 4.1, change your laravel/framework version to 4.1.\* in your composer.json file.

### **Replacing Files**

Replace your public/index.php file with this fresh copy from the repository.

Replace your artisan file with this fresh copy from the repository.

### **Adding Configuration Files & Options**

Update your aliases and providers arrays in your app/config/app.php configuration file. The updated values for these arrays can be found in this file. Be sure to add your custom and package service providers / aliases back to the arrays.

Add the new app/config/remote.php file from the repository.

Add the new expire\_on\_close configuration option to your app/config/session.php file. The default value should be false.

Add the new failed configuration section to your app/config/queue.php file. Here are the default values for the section:

```
'failed' => [
    'database' => 'mysql', 'table' => 'failed_jobs',
].
```

(**Optional**) Update the pagination configuration option in your app/config/view.php file to pagination::slider-3.

## **Controller Updates**

If app/controllers/BaseController.php has a use statement at the top, change use Illuminate\Routing\Controllers\Controller; to use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;.

## **Password Reminders Updates**

Password reminders have been overhauled for greater flexibility. You may examine the new stub controller by running the php artisan auth:reminders-controller Artisan command. You may also browse the <u>updated documentation</u> and update your application accordingly.

Update your app/lang/en/reminders.php language file to match this updated file.

## **Environment Detection Updates**

For security reasons, URL domains may no longer be used to detect your application environment. These values are easily spoofable and allow attackers to modify the environment for a request. You should convert your environment detection to use machine host names (hostname command on Mac, Linux, and Windows).

## **Simpler Log Files**

Laravel now generates a single log file: app/storage/logs/laravel.log. However, you may still configure this behavior in your app/start/global.php file.

### **Removing Redirect Trailing Slash**

In your bootstrap/start.php file, remove the call to \$app->redirectIfTrailingSlash(). This method is no longer needed as this functionality is now handled by the .htaccess file included with the framework.

Next, replace your Apache .htaccess file with this new one that handles trailing slashes.

#### **Current Route Access**

The current route is now accessed via Route::current() instead of Route::getCurrentRoute().

### **Composer Update**

Once you have completed the changes above, you can run the composer update function to update your core application files! If you receive class load errors, try running the update command with the --no-scripts option enabled like so: composer update --no-scripts.

## **Wildcard Event Listeners**

The wildcard event listeners no longer append the event to your handler functions parameters. If you require finding the event that was fired you should use <code>Event::firing()</code>.

### **Prologue**

## **Contribution Guide**

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## **Bug Reports**

To encourage active collaboration, Laravel strongly encourages pull requests, not just bug reports. "Bug reports" may also be sent in the form of a pull request containing a failing unit test.

However, if you file a bug report, your issue should contain a title and a clear description of the issue. You should also include as much relevant information as possible and a code sample that demonstrates the issue. The goal of a bug report is to make it easy for yourself - and others - to replicate the bug and develop a fix.

Remember, bug reports are created in the hope that others with the same problem will be able to collaborate with you on solving it. Do not expect that the bug report will automatically see any activity or that others will jump to fix it. Creating a bug report serves to help yourself and others start on the path of fixing the problem.

The Laravel source code is managed on Github, and there are repositories for each of the Laravel projects:

- Laravel Framework
- Laravel Application
- Laravel Documentation
- · Laravel Cashier
- <u>Laravel Envoy</u>
- Laravel Homestead
- Laravel Homestead Build Scripts
- Laravel Website
- Laravel Art

# **Core Development Discussion**

Discussion regarding bugs, new features, and implementation of existing features takes place in the #laravel-dev IRC channel (Freenode). Taylor Otwell, the maintainer of Laravel, is typically present in the channel on weekdays from 8am-5pm (UTC-06:00 or America/Chicago), and sporadically present in the channel at other times.

The #laravel-dev IRC channel is open to all. All are welcome to join the channel either to participate or simply observe the discussions!

### Which Branch?

**All** bug fixes should be sent to the latest stable branch. Bug fixes should **never** be sent to the master branch unless they fix features that exist only in the upcoming release.

**Minor** features that are **fully backwards compatible** with the current Laravel release may be sent to the latest stable branch.

**Major** new features should always be sent to the master branch, which contains the upcoming Laravel release.

If you are unsure if your feature qualifies as a major or minor, please ask Taylor Otwell in the #laravel-dev IRC channel (Freenode).

# **Security Vulnerabilities**

If you discover a security vulnerability within Laravel, please send an e-mail to Taylor Otwell at <a href="mailto:taylor@laravel.com">taylor@laravel.com</a>. All security vulnerabilities will be promptly addressed.

# **Coding Style**

Laravel follows the <u>PSR-4</u> and <u>PSR-1</u> coding standards. In addition to these standards, the following coding standards should be followed:

- The class namespace declaration must be on the same line as <?php.
- A class' opening { must be on the same line as the class name.
- Functions and control structures must use Allman style braces.
- Indent with tabs, align with spaces.

#### Setup

## **Installation**

- Install Composer
- Install Laravel
- Server Requirements

## **Install Composer**

Laravel utilizes <u>Composer</u> to manage its dependencies. So, before using Laravel, you will need to make sure you have Composer installed on your machine.

### **Install Laravel**

### Via Laravel Installer

First, download the Laravel installer using Composer.

```
composer global require "laravel/installer=~1.1"
```

Make sure to place the ~/.composer/vendor/bin directory in your PATH so the laravel executable can be located by your system.

Once installed, the simple laravel new command will create a fresh Laravel installation in the directory you specify. For instance, laravel new blog would create a directory named blog containing a fresh Laravel installation with all dependencies installed. This method of installation is much faster than installing via Composer:

laravel new blog

## Via Composer Create-Project

You may also install Laravel by issuing the Composer create-project command in your terminal:

```
\verb|composer create-project laravel/laravel { | directory } "5.0.*" --prefer-dist| \\
```

Once installed, you should upgrade to the latest packages. First, remove {directory}/vendor/compiled.php file then change your current directory to {directory} and issue composer update command.

## **Scaffolding**

Laravel ships with scaffolding for user registration and authentication. If you would like to remove this scaffolding, use the fresh Artisan command:

```
php artisan fresh
```

# **Server Requirements**

The Laravel framework has a few system requirements:

- PHP >= 5.4, PHP < 7
- Mcrypt PHP Extension

- OpenSSL PHP Extension
- Mbstring PHP Extension
- Tokenizer PHP Extension

As of PHP 5.5, some OS distributions may require you to manually install the PHP JSON extension. When using Ubuntu, this can be done via apt-get install php5-ison.

## Configuration

The first thing you should do after installing Laravel is set your application key to a random string. If you installed Laravel via Composer, this key has probably already been set for you by the key:generate command.

Typically, this string should be 32 characters long. The key can be set in the .env environment file. If the application key is not set, your user sessions and other encrypted data will not be secure!

Laravel needs almost no other configuration out of the box. You are free to get started developing! However, you may wish to review the <code>config/app.php</code> file and its documentation. It contains several options such as <code>timezone</code> and <code>locale</code> that you may wish to change according to your application.

Once Laravel is installed, you should also configure your local environment.

**Note:** You should never have the app.debug configuration option set to true for a production application.

### **Permissions**

Laravel may require some permissions to be configured: folders within storage and vendor require write access by the web server.

# **Pretty URLs**

### **Apache**

The framework ships with a public/.htaccess file that is used to allow URLs without index.php. If you use Apache to serve your Laravel application, be sure to enable the mod\_rewrite module.

If the .htaccess file that ships with Laravel does not work with your Apache installation, try this one:

```
Options +FollowSymLinks
RewriteEngine On

RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
RewriteRule ^ index.php [L]
```

### **Nginx**

On Nginx, the following directive in your site configuration will allow "pretty" URLs:

```
location / {
   try_files $uri $uri/ /index.php?$query_string;
```

}

Of course, when using **Homestead**, pretty URLs will be configured automatically.

#### Setup

# Configuration

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## Introduction

All of the configuration files for the Laravel framework are stored in the config directory. Each option is documented, so feel free to look through the files and get familiar with the options available to you.

## **After Installation**

## **Naming Your Application**

After installing Laravel, you may wish to "name" your application. By default, the app directory is namespaced under App, and autoloaded by Composer using the PSR-4 autoloading standard. However, you may change the namespace to match the name of your application, which you can easily do via the app:name Artisan command.

For example, if your application is named "Horsefly", you could run the following command from the root of your installation:

```
php artisan app:name Horsefly
```

Renaming your application is entirely optional, and you are free to keep the App namespace if you wish.

### **Other Configuration**

Laravel needs very little configuration out of the box. You are free to get started developing! However, you may wish to review the config/app.php file and its documentation. It contains several options such as timezone and locale that you may wish to change according to your location.

Once Laravel is installed, you should also configure your local environment.

**Note:** You should never have the app.debug configuration option set to true for a production application.

### **Permissions**

Laravel may require one set of permissions to be configured: folders within storage and vendor require write access by the web server.

# **Accessing Configuration Values**

You may easily access your configuration values using the config facade:

```
$value = Config::get('app.timezone');
Config::set('app.timezone', 'America/Chicago');
You may also use the config helper function:
$value = config('app.timezone');
```

## **Environment Configuration**

It is often helpful to have different configuration values based on the environment the application is running in. For example, you may wish to use a different cache driver locally than you do on your production server. It's easy using environment based configuration.

To make this a cinch, Laravel utilizes the <u>DotEnv</u> PHP library by Vance Lucas. In a fresh Laravel installation, the root directory of your application will contain a .env.example file. If you install Laravel via Composer, this file will automatically be renamed to .env. Otherwise, you should rename the file manually.

All of the variables listed in this file will be loaded into the \$\_ENV PHP super-global when your application receives a request. You may use the env helper to retrieve values from these variables. In fact, if you review the Laravel configuration files, you will notice several of the options already using this helper!

Feel free to modify your environment variables as needed for your own local server, as well as your production environment. However, your .env file should not be committed to your application's source control, since each developer / server using your application could require a different environment configuration.

If you are developing with a team, you may wish to continue including a <code>.env.example</code> file with your application. By putting place-holder values in the example configuration file, other developers on your team can clearly see which environment variables are needed to run your application.

### **Accessing The Current Application Environment**

You may access the current application environment via the environment method on the Application instance:

```
$environment = $app->environment();
```

You may also pass arguments to the environment method to check if the environment matches a given value:

```
if ($app->environment('local'))
{
    // The environment is local
}

if ($app->environment('local', 'staging'))
{
    // The environment is either local OR staging...
}
```

To obtain an instance of the application, resolve the

Illuminate\Contracts\Foundation\Application contract via the <u>service container</u>. Of course, if you are within a <u>service provider</u>, the application instance is available via the \$this->app instance variable.

An application instance may also be accessed via the app helper or the App facade:

```
$environment = app()->environment();
$environment = App::environment();
```

## **Configuration Caching**

To give your application a little speed boost, you may cache all of your configuration files into a single file using the configuration Artisan command. This will combine all of the configuration options for your application into a single file which can be loaded quickly by the framework.

You should typically run the config:cache command as part of your deployment routine

### **Maintenance Mode**

When your application is in maintenance mode, a custom view will be displayed for all requests into your application. This makes it easy to "disable" your application while it is updating or when you are performing maintenance. A maintenance mode check is included in the default middleware stack for your application. If the application is in maintenance mode, an HttpException will be thrown with a status code of 503.

To enable maintenance mode, simply execute the down Artisan command:

```
php artisan down
```

To disable maintenance mode, use the up command:

```
php artisan up
```

## **Maintenance Mode Response Template**

The default template for maintenance mode responses is located in resources/views/errors/503.blade.php.

### **Maintenance Mode & Queues**

While your application is in maintenance mode, no <u>queued jobs</u> will be handled. The jobs will continue to be handled as normal once the application is out of maintenance mode.

# **Pretty URLs**

### Apache

The framework ships with a public/.htaccess file that is used to allow URLs without index.php. If you use Apache to serve your Laravel application, be sure to enable the mod\_rewrite module.

If the .htaccess file that ships with Laravel does not work with your Apache installation, try this one:

Options +FollowSymLinks RewriteEngine On

```
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
RewriteRule ^ index.php [L]
```

If your web host doesn't allow the FollowSymlinks option, try replacing it with Options +SymLinksIfOwnerMatch.

## **Nginx**

On Nginx, the following directive in your site configuration will allow "pretty" URLs:

```
location / {
    try_files $uri $uri/ /index.php?$query_string;
}
```

Of course, when using **Homestead**, pretty URLs will be configured automatically.

### Setup

## **Laravel Homestead**

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### Introduction

Laravel strives to make the entire PHP development experience delightful, including your local development environment. <u>Vagrant</u> provides a simple, elegant way to manage and provision Virtual Machines.

Laravel Homestead is an official, pre-packaged Vagrant "box" that provides you a wonderful development environment without requiring you to install PHP, HHVM, a web server, and any other server software on your local machine. No more worrying about messing up your operating system! Vagrant boxes are completely disposable. If something goes wrong, you can destroy and re-create the box in minutes!

Homestead runs on any Windows, Mac, or Linux system, and includes the Nginx web server, PHP 5.6, MySQL, Postgres, Redis, Memcached, and all of the other goodies you need to develop amazing Laravel applications.

**Note:** If you are using Windows, you may need to enable hardware virtualization (VT-x). It can usually be enabled via your BIOS.

Homestead is currently built and tested using Vagrant 1.7.

### **Included Software**

- Ubuntu 14.04
- PHP 5.6
- HHVM
- Nginx
- MySQL
- Postgres
- Node (With Bower, Grunt, and Gulp)
- Redis
- Memcached
- Beanstalkd
- Laravel Envoy
- Blackfire Profiler

# **Installation & Setup**

## Installing VirtualBox / VMware & Vagrant

Before launching your Homestead environment, you must install <u>VirtualBox</u> and <u>Vagrant</u>. Both of these software packages provide easy-to-use visual installers for all popular operating systems.

#### **VMware**

In addition to VirtualBox, Homestead also supports VMware. To use the VMware provider, you will need to purchase both VMware Fusion / Desktop and the <a href="VMware Vagrant plug-in">VMware provides much faster shared folder performance out of the box.</a>

## **Adding The Vagrant Box**

Once VirtualBox / VMware and Vagrant have been installed, you should add the laravel/homestead box to your Vagrant installation using the following command in your terminal. It will take a few minutes to download the box, depending on your Internet connection speed:

```
vagrant box add laravel/homestead
```

If this command fails, you may have an old version of Vagrant that requires the full URL:

```
vagrant box add laravel/homestead
https://atlas.hashicorp.com/laravel/boxes/homestead
```

## **Installing Homestead**

You may install Homestead manually by simply cloning the repository. Consider cloning the repository into a Homestead folder within your "home" directory, as the Homestead box will serve as the host to all of your Laravel (and PHP) projects:

```
git clone https://github.com/laravel/homestead.git Homestead
```

Once you have cloned the Homestead repository, run the bash init.sh command from the Homestead directory to create the Homestead.yaml configuration file:

```
bash init.sh
```

The Homestead.yaml file will be placed in your ~/.homestead directory.

## **Configure Your Provider**

The provider key in your Homestead.yaml file indicates which Vagrant provider should be used: virtualbox, vmware\_fusion (Mac OS X) or vmware\_workstation (Windows). You may set this to whichever provider you prefer.

```
provider: virtualbox
```

### **Set Your SSH Key**

Next, you should edit the Homestead.yaml file. In this file, you can configure the path to your public SSH key, as well as the folders you wish to be shared between your main machine and the Homestead virtual machine.

Don't have an SSH key? On Mac and Linux, you can generally create an SSH key pair using the following command:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -C "you@homestead"
```

On Windows, you may install <u>Git</u> and use the <u>Git</u> Bash shell included with Git to issue the command above. Alternatively, you may use <u>PuTTY</u> and <u>PuTTYgen</u>.

Once you have created a SSH key, specify the key's path in the authorize property of your Homestead.yaml file.

## **Configure Your Shared Folders**

The folders property of the Homestead.yaml file lists all of the folders you wish to share with your Homestead environment. As files within these folders are changed, they will be kept in sync between your local machine and the Homestead environment. You may configure as many shared folders as necessary!

To enable NFS, just add a simple flag to your synced folder:

```
folders:
    - map: ~/Code
    to: /home/vagrant/Code
    type: "nfs"
```

## **Configure Your Nginx Sites**

Not familiar with Nginx? No problem. The sites property allows you to easily map a "domain" to a folder on your Homestead environment. A sample site configuration is included in the Homestead.yaml file. Again, you may add as many sites to your Homestead environment as necessary. Homestead can serve as a convenient, virtualized environment for every Laravel project you are working on!

You can make any Homestead site use <u>HHVM</u> by setting the hhvm option to true:

```
sites:
    - map: homestead.app
    to: /home/vagrant/Code/Laravel/public
    hhym: true
```

Each site will be accessible by HTTP via port 8000 and HTTPS via port 44300.

### **Bash Aliases**

To add Bash aliases to your Homestead box, simply add to the aliases file in the root of the ~/.homestead directory.

## **Launch The Vagrant Box**

Once you have edited the Homestead.yaml to your liking, run the vagrant up command from your Homestead directory.

Vagrant will boot the virtual machine, and configure your shared folders and Nginx sites automatically! To destroy the machine, you may use the vagrant destroy -- force command.

Don't forget to add the "domains" for your Nginx sites to the hosts file on your machine! The hosts file will redirect your requests for the local domains into your Homestead environment. On Mac and Linux, this file is located at /etc/hosts. On Windows, it is located at c:\windows\system32\drivers\etc\hosts. The lines you add to this file will look like the following:

```
192.168.10.10 homestead.app
```

Make sure the IP address listed is the one you set in your Homestead.yaml file. Once you have added the domain to your hosts file, you can access the site via your web browser!

http://homestead.app

To learn how to connect to your databases, read on!

## **Daily Usage**

## **Connecting Via SSH**

Since you will probably need to SSH into your Homestead machine frequently, consider creating an "alias" on your host machine to quickly SSH into the Homestead box:

```
alias vm="ssh vagrant@127.0.0.1 -p 2222"
```

Once you create this alias, you can simply use the "vm" command to SSH into your Homestead machine from anywhere on your system.

Alternatively, you can use the vagrant ssh command from your Homestead directory.

## **Connecting To Your Databases**

A homestead database is configured for both MySQL and Postgres out of the box. For even more convenience, Laravel's local database configuration is set to use this database by default.

To connect to your MySQL or Postgres database from your main machine via Navicat or Sequel Pro, you should connect to 127.0.0.1 and port 33060 (MySQL) or 54320 (Postgres). The username and password for both databases is homestead / secret.

**Note:** You should only use these non-standard ports when connecting to the databases from your main machine. You will use the default 3306 and 5432 ports in your Laravel database configuration file since Laravel is running *within* the Virtual Machine.

## **Adding Additional Sites**

Once your Homestead environment is provisioned and running, you may want to add additional Nginx sites for your Laravel applications. You can run as many Laravel installations as you wish on a single Homestead environment. There are two ways to do this: First, you may simply add the sites to your Homestead.yaml file and then run vagrant provision from your Homestead directory.

**Note:** This process is destructive. When running the provision command, your existing databases will be destroyed and recreated.

Alternatively, you may use the serve script that is available on your Homestead environment. To use the serve script, SSH into your Homestead environment and run the following command:

serve domain.app /home/vagrant/Code/path/to/public/directory 80

**Note:** After running the serve command, do not forget to add the new site to the hosts file on your main machine!

### **Ports**

The following ports are forwarded to your Homestead environment:

SSH: 2222 → Forwards To 22
 HTTP: 8000 → Forwards To 80
 HTTPS: 44300 → Forwards To 443
 MySQL: 33060 → Forwards To 3306
 Postgres: 54320 → Forwards To 5432

## **Adding Additional Ports**

If you wish, you may forward additional ports to the Vagrant box, as well as specify their protocol:

```
ports:
    - send: 93000
    to: 9300
    - send: 7777
    to: 777
    protocol: udp
```

# **Blackfire Profiler**

<u>Blackfire Profiler</u> by SensioLabs automatically gathers data about your code's execution, such as RAM, CPU time, and disk I/O. Homestead makes it a breeze to use this profiler for your own applications.

All of the proper packages have already been installed on your Homestead box, you simply need to set a Blackfire **Server** ID and token in your Homestead.yaml file:

```
blackfire:
    - id: your-server-id
    token: your-server-token
    client-id: your-client-id
    client-token: your-client-token
```

Once you have configured your Blackfire credentials, re-provision the box using vagrant provision from your Homestead directory. Of course, be sure to review the <u>Blackfire documentation</u> to learn how to install the Blackfire companion extension for your web browser.

#### The Basics

# **HTTP Routing**

- Basic Routing
- CSRF Protection
- Method Spoofing
- Route Parameters
- Named Routes
- Route Groups
- Route Model Binding
- Throwing 404 Errors

# **Basic Routing**

You will define most of the routes for your application in the app/Http/routes.php file, which is loaded by the App\Providers\RouteServiceProvider class. The most basic Laravel routes simply accept a URI and a closure:

#### **Basic GET Route**

```
Route::get('/', function()
{
    return 'Hello World';
});
```

#### **Other Basic Routes**

```
Route::post('foo/bar', function()
{
    return 'Hello World';
});
Route::put('foo/bar', function()
{
    //
});
Route::delete('foo/bar', function())
{
    //
});
```

## **Registering A Route For Multiple Verbs**

```
Route::match(['get', 'post'], '/', function()
{
    return 'Hello World';
});
```

## Registering A Route That Responds To Any HTTP Verb

```
Route::any('foo', function()
{
    return 'Hello World';
});
```

Often, you will need to generate URLs to your routes, you may do so using the url helper:

```
$url = url('foo');
```

# **CSRF Protection**

Laravel makes it easy to protect your application from <u>cross-site request forgeries</u>. Cross-site request forgeries are a type of malicious exploit whereby unauthorized commands are performed on behalf of the authenticated user.

Laravel automatically generates a CSRF "token" for each active user session managed by the application. This token is used to verify that the authenticated user is the one actually making the requests to the application.

#### **Insert The CSRF Token Into A Form**

```
<input type="hidden" name="_token" value="<?php echo csrf_token(); ?>">
Of course, using the Blade templating engine:
<input type="hidden" name="_token" value="{{ csrf_token() }}">
```

You do not need to manually verify the CSRF token on POST, PUT, or DELETE requests. The <code>verifyCsrfToken</code> <a href="https://distribution.org/html/">HTTP middleware</a> will verify token in the request input matches the token stored in the session.

#### X-CSRF-TOKEN

In addition to looking for the CSRF token as a "POST" parameter, the middleware will also check for the x-csrf-token request header. You could, for example, store the token in a "meta" tag and instruct jQuery to add it to all request headers:

Now all AJAX requests will automatically include the CSRF token:

```
$.ajax({
    url: "/foo/bar",
})
```

#### X-XSRF-TOKEN

Laravel also stores the CSRF token in a XSRF-TOKEN cookie. You can use the cookie value to set the X-XSRF-TOKEN request header. Some JavaScript frameworks, like Angular, do this automatically for you.

Note: The difference between the x-csrf-token and x-xsrf-token is that the first uses a plain text value and the latter uses an encrypted value, because cookies in Laravel are always encrypted. If you use the csrf\_token() function to supply the token value, you probably want to use the x-csrf-token header.

# **Method Spoofing**

HTML forms do not support PUT, PATCH OF DELETE actions. So, when defining PUT, PATCH OF DELETE routes that are called from an HTML form, you will need to add a hidden \_method field to the form.

The value sent with the \_method field will be used as the HTTP request method. For example:

# **Route Parameters**

Of course, you can capture segments of the request URI within your route:

#### **Basic Route Parameter**

```
Route::get('user/{id}', function($id)
{
    return 'User '.$id;
}):
```

**Note:** Route parameters cannot contain the - character. Use an underscore (\_) instead.

### **Optional Route Parameters**

```
Route::get('user/{name?}', function($name = null)
{
    return $name;
}):
```

#### **Optional Route Parameters With Default Value**

```
Route::get('user/{name?}', function($name = 'John')
{
    return $name;
});
```

## **Regular Expression Parameter Constraints**

## **Passing An Array Of Constraints**

# **Defining Global Patterns**

If you would like a route parameter to always be constrained by a given regular expression, you may use the pattern method. You should define these patterns in the boot method of your RouteServiceProvider:

```
$router->pattern('id', '[0-9]+');
```

Once the pattern has been defined, it is applied to all routes using that parameter:

```
Route::get('user/{id}', function($id)
{
    // Only called if {id} is numeric.
});
```

## **Accessing A Route Parameter Value**

If you need to access a route parameter value outside of a route, use the input method:

```
if ($route->input('id') == 1)
{
      //
}
```

You may also access the current route parameters via the <code>illuminate\Http\Request</code> instance. The request instance for the current request may be accessed via the <code>Request</code> facade, or by type-hinting the <code>illuminate\Http\Request</code> where dependencies are injected:

```
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
Route::get('user/{id}', function(Request $request, $id)
{
    if ($request->route('id'))
    {
        //
    }
});
```

# **Named Routes**

Named routes allow you to conveniently generate URLs or redirects for a specific route. You may specify a name for a route with the as array key:

You may also specify route names for controller actions:

```
Route::get('user/profile', [
    'as' => 'profile', 'uses' => 'UserController@showProfile'
]);
```

Now, you may use the route's name when generating URLs or redirects:

```
$url = route('profile');
$redirect = redirect()->route('profile');
```

The currentRouteName method returns the name of the route handling the current request:

```
$name = Route::currentRouteName();
```

# **Route Groups**

Sometimes many of your routes will share common requirements such as URL segments, middleware, namespaces, etc. Instead of specifying each of these options

on every route individually, you may use a route group to apply attributes to many routes.

Shared attributes are specified in an array format as the first parameter to the Route::group method.

### Middleware

Middleware are applied to all routes within the group by defining the list of middleware with the middleware parameter on the group attribute array. Middleware will be executed in the order you define this array:

```
Route::group(['middleware' => ['foo', 'bar']], function()
{
    Route::get('/', function())
    {
        // Has Foo And Bar Middleware
    });

    Route::get('user/profile', function())
    {
        // Has Foo And Bar Middleware
    });
};
```

# **Namespaces**

You may use the namespace parameter in your group attribute array to specify the namespace for all controllers within the group:

```
Route::group(['namespace' => 'Admin'], function()
{
    // Controllers Within The "App\Http\Controllers\Admin" Namespace
    Route::group(['namespace' => 'User'], function()
    {
        // Controllers Within The "App\Http\Controllers\Admin\User"
Namespace
    });
});
```

**Note:** By default, the RouteServiceProvider includes your routes.php file within a namespace group, allowing you to register controller routes without specifying the full App\Http\Controllers namespace prefix.

# **Sub-Domain Routing**

Laravel routes also handle wildcard sub-domains, and will pass your wildcard parameters from the domain:

### **Registering Sub-Domain Routes**

# **Route Prefixing**

A group of routes may be prefixed by using the prefix option in the attributes array of a group:

You can also utilize the prefix parameter to pass common parameters to your routes:

#### Registering a URL parameter in a route prefix

```
Route::group(['prefix' => 'accounts/{account_id}'], function()
{
    Route::get('detail', function($account_id)
    {
        //
    });
});
```

You can even define parameter constraints for the named parameters in your prefix:

```
Route::group([
    'prefix' => 'accounts/{account_id}',
    'where' => ['account_id' => '[0-9]+'],
], function() {
    // Define Routes Here
}):
```

# **Route Model Binding**

Laravel model binding provides a convenient way to inject class instances into your routes. For example, instead of injecting a user's ID, you can inject the entire User class instance that matches the given ID.

First, use the router's model method to specify the class for a given parameter. You should define your model bindings in the RouteServiceProvider::boot method:

## **Binding A Parameter To A Model**

```
public function boot(Router $router)
{
    parent::boot($router);
    $router->model('user', 'App\User');
}
```

Next, define a route that contains a {user} parameter:

Since we have bound the {user} parameter to the App\User model, a User instance will be injected into the route. So, for example, a request to profile/1 will inject the User instance which has an ID of 1.

**Note:** If a matching model instance is not found in the database, a 404 error will be thrown.

If you wish to specify your own "not found" behavior, pass a Closure as the third argument to the model method:

```
Route::model('user', 'User', function()
{
    throw new NotFoundHttpException;
});
```

If you wish to use your own resolution logic, you should use the Route::bind method. The Closure you pass to the bind method will receive the value of the URI segment, and should return an instance of the class you want to be injected into the route:

```
Route::bind('user', function($value)
{
    return User::where('name', $value)->first();
}).
```

# **Throwing 404 Errors**

There are two ways to manually trigger a 404 error from a route. First, you may use the abort helper:

```
abort(404);
```

The abort helper simply throws a

Symfony\Component\HttpKernel\Exception\HttpException with the specified status code

Secondly, you may manually throw an instance of Symfony\Component\HttpKernel\Exception\NotFoundHttpException.

More information on handling 404 exceptions and using custom responses for these errors may be found in the <u>errors</u> section of the documentation.

#### The Basics

# **HTTP Middleware**

- Introduction
- <u>Defining Middleware</u>
- Registering Middleware
- Terminable Middleware

# Introduction

HTTP middleware provide a convenient mechanism for filtering HTTP requests entering your application. For example, Laravel includes a middleware that verifies the user of your application is authenticated. If the user is not authenticated, the middleware will redirect the user to the login screen. However, if the user is authenticated, the middleware will allow the request to proceed further into the application.

Of course, middleware can be written to perform a variety of tasks besides authentication. A CORS middleware might be responsible for adding the proper headers to all responses leaving your application. A logging middleware might log all incoming requests to your application.

There are several middleware included in the Laravel framework, including middleware for maintenance, authentication, CSRF protection, and more. All of these middleware are located in the app/Http/Middleware directory.

# **Defining Middleware**

To create a new middleware, use the make:middleware Artisan command:

```
php artisan make:middleware OldMiddleware
```

This command will place a new oldMiddleware class within your app/Http/Middleware directory. In this middleware, we will only allow access to the route if the supplied age is greater than 200. Otherwise, we will redirect the users back to the "home" URI.

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Middleware;
use Closure;

class OldMiddleware {
    /**
    * Run the request filter.
    *
    * @param \Illuminate\Http\Request $request
    * @param \Closure $next
    * @return mixed
    */
    public function handle($request, Closure $next)
    {
        if ($request->input('age') < 200)
        {
            return redirect('home');
        }
        return $next($request);
    }
}</pre>
```

As you can see, if the given age is less than 200, the middleware will return an HTTP redirect to the client; otherwise, the request will be passed further into the application. To pass the request deeper into the application (allowing the middleware to "pass"), simply call the \$next callback with the \$request.

It's best to envision middleware as a series of "layers" HTTP requests must pass through before they hit your application. Each layer can examine the request and even reject it entirely.

# Before / After Middleware

Whether a middleware runs before or after a request depends on the middleware itself. This middleware would perform some task **before** the request is handled by the application:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Middleware;
use Closure;
class BeforeMiddleware implements Middleware {
   public function handle($request, Closure $next)
   {
        // Perform action
        return $next($request);
   }
}</pre>
```

However, this middleware would perform its task **after** the request is handled by the application:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Middleware;
use Closure;
class AfterMiddleware implements Middleware {
    public function handle($request, Closure $next) {
        $response = $next($request);
        // Perform action
        return $response;
    }
}</pre>
```

# **Registering Middleware**

## **Global Middleware**

If you want a middleware to be run during every HTTP request to your application, simply list the middleware class in the \$middleware property of your app/Http/Kernel.php class.

# **Assigning Middleware To Routes**

If you would like to assign middleware to specific routes, you should first assign the middleware a short-hand key in your app/Http/Kernel.php file. By default, the \$routeMiddleware property of this class contains entries for the middleware included with Laravel. To add your own, simply append it to this list and assign it a key of your choosing.

Once the middleware has been defined in the HTTP kernel, you may use the middleware key in the route options array:

# Terminable Middleware

Sometimes a middleware may need to do some work after the HTTP response has already been sent to the browser. For example, the "session" middleware included with Laravel writes the session data to storage *after* the response has been sent to the browser. To accomplish this, you may define the middleware as "terminable".

```
use Closure;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\TerminableMiddleware;

class StartSession implements TerminableMiddleware {
    public function handle($request, Closure $next)
    {
        return $next($request);
    }

    public function terminate($request, $response)
    {
        // Store the session data...
    }
}
```

As you can see, in addition to defining a handle method, TerminableMiddleware define a terminate method. This method receives both the request and the response. Once you have defined a terminable middleware, you should add it to the list of global middlewares in your HTTP kernel.

#### The Basics

# **HTTP Controllers**

- Introduction
- Basic Controllers
- Controller Middleware
- Implicit Controllers
- RESTful Resource Controllers
- <u>Dependency Injection & Controllers</u>
- Route Caching

# Introduction

Instead of defining all of your request handling logic in a single routes.php file, you may wish to organize this behavior using Controller classes. Controllers can group related HTTP request handling logic into a class. Controllers are typically stored in the app/Http/controllers directory.

# **Basic Controllers**

Here is an example of a basic controller class:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use App\Http\Controllers\Controller;

class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
        * Show the profile for the given user.
        *
        * @param int $id
        * @return Response
        */
    public function showProfile($id)
        {
            return view('user.profile', ['user' => User::findOrFail($id)]);
        }
}
```

We can route to the controller action like so:

```
Route::get('user/{id}', 'UserController@showProfile');
```

Note: All controllers should extend the base controller class.

## **Controllers & Namespaces**

It is very important to note that we did not need to specify the full controller namespace, only the portion of the class name that comes after the App\Http\Controllers namespace "root". By default, the RouteServiceProvider will load the routes.php file within a route group containing the root controller namespace.

If you choose to nest or organize your controllers using PHP namespaces deeper into the App\Http\Controllers directory, simply use the specific class name relative to the App\Http\Controllers root namespace. So, if your full controller class is App\Http\Controllers\Photos\AdminController, you would register a route like so:

```
Route::get('foo', 'Photos\AdminController@method');
```

#### **Naming Controller Routes**

Like Closure routes, you may specify names on controller routes:

```
Route::get('foo', ['uses' => 'FooController@method', 'as' => 'name']);
```

#### **URLs To Controller Actions**

To generate a URL to a controller action, use the action helper method:

```
$url = action('App\Http\Controllers\FooController@method');
```

If you wish to generate a URL to a controller action while using only the portion of the class name relative to your controller namespace, register the root controller namespace with the URL generator:

```
URL::setRootControllerNamespace('App\Http\Controllers');
$url = action('FooController@method');
```

You may access the name of the controller action being run using the currentRouteAction method:

```
$action = Route::currentRouteAction();
```

# **Controller Middleware**

Middleware may be specified on controller routes like so:

```
Route::get('profile', [
    'middleware' => 'auth',
    'uses' => 'UserController@showProfile'
]);
```

Additionally, you may specify middleware within your controller's constructor:

```
class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Instantiate a new UserController instance.
    */
    public function __construct()
    {
        $this->middleware('auth');
        $this->middleware('log', ['only' => ['fooAction', 'barAction']]);
        $this->middleware('subscribed', ['except' => ['fooAction', 'barAction']]);
    }
}
```

# **Implicit Controllers**

Laravel allows you to easily define a single route to handle every action in a controller. First, define the route using the Route::controller method:

```
Route::controller('users', 'UserController');
```

The controller method accepts two arguments. The first is the base URI the controller handles, while the second is the class name of the controller. Next, just

add methods to your controller, prefixed with the HTTP verb they respond to:

The index methods will respond to the root URI handled by the controller, which, in this case, is users.

If your controller action contains multiple words, you may access the action using "dash" syntax in the URI. For example, the following controller action on our UserController would respond to the users/admin-profile URI:

```
public function getAdminProfile() {}
```

#### **Assigning Route Names**

If you would like to "name" some of the routes on the controller, you may pass a third argument to the controller method:

# **RESTful Resource Controllers**

Resource controllers make it painless to build RESTful controllers around resources. For example, you may wish to create a controller that handles HTTP requests regarding "photos" stored by your application. Using the make:controller Artisan command, we can quickly create such a controller:

```
php artisan make:controller PhotoController
```

Next, we register a resourceful route to the controller:

```
Route::resource('photo', 'PhotoController');
```

This single route declaration creates multiple routes to handle a variety of RESTful actions on the photo resource. Likewise, the generated controller will already have methods stubbed for each of these actions, including notes informing you which URIs and verbs they handle.

#### **Actions Handled By Resource Controller**

Verb	Path	Action	Route Name
GET	/photo	index	photo.index
GET	/photo/create	create	photo.create

Verb	Path	Action	<b>Route Name</b>
POST	/photo	store	photo.store
GET	/photo/{photo}	show	photo.show
GET	/photo/{photo}/edit	edit	photo.edit
PUT/PATCH	/photo/{photo}	update	photo.update
DELETE	/photo/{photo}	destroy	photo.destroy

## **Customizing Resource Routes**

Additionally, you may specify only a subset of actions to handle on the route:

By default, all resource controller actions have a route name; however, you can override these names by passing a names array with your options:

#### **Handling Nested Resource Controllers**

To "nest" resource controllers, use "dot" notation in your route declaration:

```
Route::resource('photos.comments', 'PhotoCommentController');
```

This route will register a "nested" resource that may be accessed with URLs like the following: photos/{photos}/comments/{comments}.

```
class PhotoCommentController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Show the specified photo comment.
    *
    * @param int $photoId
    * @param int $commentId
    * @return Response
    */
    public function show($photoId, $commentId)
    {
        //
    }
}
```

#### **Adding Additional Routes To Resource Controllers**

If it becomes necessary to add additional routes to a resource controller beyond the default resource routes, you should define those routes before your call to Route::resource:

```
Route::get('photos/popular', 'PhotoController@method');
Route::resource('photos', 'PhotoController');
```

# **Dependency Injection & Controllers**

## **Constructor Injection**

The Laravel <u>service container</u> is used to resolve all Laravel controllers. As a result, you are able to type-hint any dependencies your controller may need in its constructor:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
use App\Repositories\UserRepository;

class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
        * The user repository instance.
        */
    protected $users;

    /**
        * Create a new controller instance.
        *
        * @param UserRepository $users
        * @return void
        */
        public function __construct(UserRepository $users)
        {
            $this->users = $users;
        }
}
```

Of course, you may also type-hint any <u>Laravel contract</u>. If the container can resolve it, you can type-hint it.

## **Method Injection**

In addition to constructor injection, you may also type-hint dependencies on your controller's methods. For example, let's type-hint the Request instance on one of our methods:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;

class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
        * Store a new user.
        *
        * @param Request $request
        * @return Response
        */
        public function store(Request $request)
        {
            $name = $request->input('name');
            //
        }
}
```

If your controller method is also expecting input from a route parameter, simply list your route arguments after your other dependencies:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
class UserController extends Controller {
    /**</pre>
```

```
* Update the specified user.

*
    * @param Request $request
    * @param int $id
    * @return Response
    */
public function update(Request $request, $id)
{
         //
}
```

**Note:** Method injection is fully compatible with <u>model binding</u>. The container will intelligently determine which arguments are model bound and which arguments should be injected.

# **Route Caching**

If your application is exclusively using controller routes, you may take advantage of Laravel's route cache. Using the route cache will drastically decrease the amount of time it take to register all of your application's routes. In some cases, your route registration may even be up to 100x faster! To generate a route cache, just execute the route:cache Artisan command:

```
php artisan route:cache
```

That's all there is to it! Your cached routes file will now be used instead of your app/Http/routes.php file. Remember, if you add any new routes you will need to generate a fresh route cache. Because of this, you may wish to only run the route:cache command during your project's deployment.

To remove the cached routes file without generating a new cache, use the route:clear command:

```
php artisan route:clear
```

#### The Basics

# **HTTP Requests**

- Obtaining A Request Instance
- Retrieving Input
- Old Input
- Cookies
- Files
- Other Request Information

# **Obtaining A Request Instance**

# Via Facade

The Request facade will grant you access to the current request that is bound in the container. For example:

```
$name = Request::input('name');
```

Remember, if you are in a namespace, you will have to import the Request facade using a use Request; statement at the top of your class file.

# Via Dependency Injection

To obtain an instance of the current HTTP request via dependency injection, you should type-hint the class on your controller constructor or method. The current request instance will automatically be injected by the <u>service container</u>:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;

class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Store a new user.
    *
    * @param Request $request
    * @return Response
    */
    public function store(Request $request)
    {
        $name = $request->input('name');
        //
    }
}
```

If your controller method is also expecting input from a route parameter, simply list your route arguments after your other dependencies:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;

class UserController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Update the specified user.
    *
}</pre>
```

# **Retrieving Input**

#### **Retrieving An Input Value**

Using a few simple methods, you may access all user input from your <code>Illuminate\Http\Request</code> instance. You do not need to worry about the HTTP verb used for the request, as input is accessed in the same way for all verbs.

```
$name = Request::input('name');
```

# Retrieving A Default Value If The Input Value Is Absent

```
$name = Request::input('name', 'Sally');
```

## **Determining If An Input Value Is Present**

### **Getting All Input For The Request**

```
$input = Request::all();
```

## **Getting Only Some Of The Request Input**

```
$input = Request::only('username', 'password');
$input = Request::except('credit_card');
```

When working on forms with "array" inputs, you may use dot notation to access the arrays:

```
$input = Request::input('products.0.name');
```

# **Old Input**

Laravel also allows you to keep input from one request during the next request. For example, you may need to re-populate a form after checking it for validation errors.

#### Flashing Input To The Session

The flash method will flash the current input to the <u>session</u> so that it is available during the user's next request to the application:

```
Request::flash();
```

## Flashing Only Some Input To The Session

```
Request::flashOnly('username', 'email');
Request::flashExcept('password');
```

#### Flash & Redirect

Since you often will want to flash input in association with a redirect to the previous page, you may easily chain input flashing onto a redirect.

```
return redirect('form')->withInput();
return redirect('form')->withInput(Request::except('password'));
```

## **Retrieving Old Data**

To retrieve flashed input from the previous request, use the old method on the Request instance.

```
$username = Request::old('username');
```

If you are displaying old input within a Blade template, it is more convenient to use the old helper:

```
{{ old('username') }}
```

## **Cookies**

All cookies created by the Laravel framework are encrypted and signed with an authentication code, meaning they will be considered invalid if they have been changed by the client.

# Retrieving A Cookie Value

```
$value = Request::cookie('name');
```

## Attaching A New Cookie To A Response

The cookie helper serves as a simple factory for generating new Symfony\Component\HttpFoundation\Cookie instances. The cookies may be attached to a Response instance using the withcookie method:

```
$response = new Illuminate\Http\Response('Hello World');
$response->withCookie(cookie('name', 'value', $minutes));
```

## **Creating A Cookie That Lasts Forever\***

```
By "forever", we really mean five years.
$response->withCookie(cookie()->forever('name', 'value'));
```

#### **Queueing Cookies**

You may also "queue" a cookie to be added to the outgoing response, even before that response has been created:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Cookie;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;</pre>
```

```
class UserController extends Controller
{
    /**
    * Update a resource
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function update()
    {
        Cookie::queue('name', 'value');
        return response('Hello World');
    }
}
```

# **Files**

### **Retrieving An Uploaded File**

```
$file = Request::file('photo');
```

## **Determining If A File Was Uploaded**

```
if (Request::hasFile('photo'))
{
     //
}
```

The object returned by the file method is an instance of the Symfony\Component\HttpFoundation\File\UploadedFile class, which extends the PHP splFileInfo class and provides a variety of methods for interacting with the file.

# **Determining If An Uploaded File Is Valid**

## Moving An Uploaded File

```
Request::file('photo')->move($destinationPath);
Request::file('photo')->move($destinationPath, $fileName);
```

#### **Other File Methods**

There are a variety of other methods available on <code>uploadedFile</code> instances. Check out the <u>API documentation for the class</u> for more information regarding these methods.

# **Other Request Information**

The Request class provides many methods for examining the HTTP request for your application and extends the symfony\Component\HttpFoundation\Request class. Here are some of the highlights.

## **Retrieving The Request URI**

```
$uri = Request::path();
```

# **Determine If The Request Is Using AJAX**

```
if (Request::ajax())
{
    //
}
```

# **Retrieving The Request Method**

# **Determining If The Request Path Matches A Pattern**

# **Get The Current Request URL**

```
$url = Request::url();
```

#### The Basics

# **HTTP Responses**

- Basic Responses
- Redirects
- Other Responses
- Response Macros

# **Basic Responses**

### **Returning Strings From Routes**

The most basic response from a Laravel route is a string:

```
Route::get('/', function()
{
    return 'Hello World';
}):
```

## **Creating Custom Responses**

However, for most routes and controller actions, you will be returning a full <code>lluminate\Http\Response</code> instance or a <code>view</code>. Returning a full <code>Response</code> instance allows you to customize the response's HTTP status code and headers. A <code>Response</code> instance inherits from the <code>symfony\Component\HttpFoundation\Response</code> class, providing a variety of methods for building HTTP responses:

**Note:** For a full list of available Response methods, check out its <u>API</u> <u>documentation</u> and the <u>Symfony API documentation</u>.

## Sending A View In A Response

If you need access to the Response class methods, but want to return a view as the response content, you may use the view method for convenience:

```
return response()->view('hello')->header('Content-Type', $type);
```

### **Attaching Cookies To Responses**

```
return response($content)->withCookie(cookie('name', 'value'));
```

## **Method Chaining**

Keep in mind that most Response methods are chainable, allowing for the fluent building of responses:

# **Redirects**

Redirect responses are typically instances of the <code>Illuminate\Http\RedirectResponse</code> class, and contain the proper headers needed to redirect the user to another URL.

# **Returning A Redirect**

There are several ways to generate a RedirectResponse instance. The simplest method is to use the redirect helper method. When testing, it is not common to mock the creation of a redirect response, so using the helper method is almost always acceptable:

```
return redirect('user/login');
```

#### **Returning A Redirect With Flash Data**

Redirecting to a new URL and <u>flashing data to the session</u> are typically done at the same time. So, for convenience, you may create a RedirectResponse instance **and** flash data to the session in a single method chain:

```
return redirect('user/login')->with('message', 'Login Failed');
```

## **Redirecting To The Previous URL**

You may wish to redirect the user to their previous location, for example, after a form submission. You can do so by using the back method:

```
return redirect()->back();
return redirect()->back()->withInput();
```

## **Returning A Redirect To A Named Route**

When you call the redirect helper with no parameters, an instance of Illuminate\Routing\Redirector is returned, allowing you to call any method on the Redirector instance. For example, to generate a RedirectResponse to a named route, you may use the route method:

```
return redirect()->route('login');
```

#### **Returning A Redirect To A Named Route With Parameters**

If your route has parameters, you may pass them as the second argument to the route method.

```
// For a route with the following URI: profile/{id}
return redirect()->route('profile', [1]);
```

If you are redirecting to a route with an "ID" parameter that is being populated from an Eloquent model, you may simply pass the model itself. The ID will be extracted automatically:

```
return redirect()->route('profile', [$user]);
```

## Returning A Redirect To A Named Route Using Named Parameters

```
// For a route with the following URI: profile/{user}
return redirect()->route('profile', ['user' => 1]);
```

#### **Returning A Redirect To A Controller Action**

Similarly to generating RedirectResponse instances to named routes, you may also generate redirects to controller actions:

```
return redirect()->action('App\Http\Controllers\HomeController@index');
```

**Note:** You do not need to specify the full namespace to the controller if you have registered a root controller namespace via URL::setRootControllerNamespace.

#### **Returning A Redirect To A Controller Action With Parameters**

```
return redirect()->action('App\Http\Controllers\UserController@profile',
[1]);
```

#### Returning A Redirect To A Controller Action Using Named Parameters

```
return redirect()->action('App\Http\Controllers\UserController@profile',
['user' => 1]);
```

# **Other Responses**

The response helper may be used to conveniently generate other types of response instances. When the response helper is called without arguments, an implementation of the Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\ResponseFactory contract is returned. This contract provides several helpful methods for generating responses.

#### Creating A JSON Response

```
The json method will automatically set the Content-Type header to application/json:
```

```
return response()->json(['name' => 'Abigail', 'state' => 'CA']);
```

### **Creating A JSONP Response**

#### **Creating A File Download Response**

```
return response()->download($pathToFile);
return response()->download($pathToFile, $name, $headers);
return response()->download($pathToFile)->deleteFileAfterSend(true);
```

**Note:** Symfony HttpFoundation, which manages file downloads, requires the file being downloaded to have an ASCII file name.

# **Response Macros**

If you would like to define a custom response that you can re-use in a variety of your routes and controllers, you may use the macro method on an implementation of

Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\ResponseFactory.

For example, from a <u>service provider's</u> boot method:

The macro function accepts a name as its first argument, and a Closure as its second. The macro's Closure will be executed when calling the macro name from a ResponseFactory implementation or the response helper:

```
return response()->caps('foo');
```

#### The Basics

# **Views**

- Basic Usage
- <u>View Composers</u>

# **Basic Usage**

Views contain the HTML served by your application, and serve as a convenient method of separating your controller and domain logic from your presentation logic. Views are stored in the resources/views directory.

A simple view looks like this:

The view may be returned to the browser like so:

```
Route::get('/', function()
{
    return view('greeting', ['name' => 'James']);
});
```

As you can see, the first argument passed to the view helper corresponds to the name of the view file in the resources/views directory. The second argument passed to helper is an array of data that should be made available to the view.

Of course, views may also be nested within sub-directories of the resources/views directory. For example, if your view is stored at resources/views/admin/profile.php, it should be returned like so:

```
return view('admin.profile', $data);
```

## **Passing Data To Views**

```
// Using conventional approach
$view = view('greeting')->with('name', 'Victoria');
// Using Magic Methods
$view = view('greeting')->withName('Victoria');
```

In the example above, the variable sname is made accessible to the view and contains victoria.

If you wish, you may pass an array of data as the second parameter to the view helper:

```
$view = view('greetings', $data);
```

When passing information in this manner, \$data should be an array with key/value pairs. Inside your view, you can then access each value using it's corresponding key, like {{ \$key }} (assuming \$data['key'] exists).

## **Sharing Data With All Views**

Occasionally, you may need to share a piece of data with all views that are rendered by your application. You have several options: the view helper, the <code>Illuminate\Contracts\View\Factory contract</code>, or a wildcard view composer.

For example, using the view helper:

```
view()->share('data', [1, 2, 3]);
You may also use the view facade:
View::share('data', [1, 2, 3]);
```

Typically, you would place calls to the share method within a service provider's boot method. You are free to add them to the AppServiceProvider or generate a separate service provider to house them.

**Note:** When the view helper is called without arguments, it returns an implementation of the Illuminate\Contracts\View\Factory contract.

#### **Determining If A View Exists**

If you need to determine if a view exists, you may use the exists method:

```
if (view()->exists('emails.customer'))
{
     //
}
```

#### **Returning A View From A File Path**

If you wish, you may generate a view from a fully-qualified file path:

```
return view()->file($pathToFile, $data);
```

# **View Composers**

View composers are callbacks or class methods that are called when a view is rendered. If you have data that you want to be bound to a view each time that view is rendered, a view composer organizes that logic into a single location.

#### **Defining A View Composer**

Let's organize our view composers within a <u>service provider</u>. We'll use the view facade to access the underlying <u>Illuminate</u>\Contracts\View\Factory contract implementation:

```
// Using Closure based composers...
View::composer('dashboard', function($view)
{
    });
}

/**
    * Register the service provider.
    *
    * @return void
    */
    public function register()
{
        //
}
```

**Note:** Laravel does not include a default directory for view composers. You are free to organize them however you wish. For example, you could create an App\Http\ViewComposers directory.

Remember, you will need to add the service provider to the providers array in the config/app.php configuration file.

Now that we have registered the composer, the ProfileComposer@compose method will be executed each time the profile view is being rendered. So, let's define the composer class:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\ViewComposers;</pre>
use Illuminate\Contracts\View\View;
use Illuminate\Users\Repository as UserRepository;
class ProfileComposer {
    * The user repository implementation.
     * @var UserRepository
   protected $users;
    * Create a new profile composer.
    * @param UserRepository $users
    * @return void
   public function __construct(UserRepository $users)
        // Dependencies automatically resolved by service container...
        $this->users = $users;
   }
     * Bind data to the view.
    * @param View
                     $view
    * @return void
   public function compose(View $view)
        $view->with('count', $this->users->count());
    }
}
```

Just before the view is rendered, the composer's compose method is called with the Illuminate\Contracts\View\View instance. You may use the with method to bind

data to the view.

**Note:** All view composers are resolved via the <u>service container</u>, so you may type-hint any dependencies you need within a composer's constructor.

## **Wildcard View Composers**

The composer method accepts the \* character as a wildcard, so you may attach a composer to all views like so:

```
View::composer('*', function($view)
{
         //
});
```

## **Attaching A Composer To Multiple Views**

You may also attach a view composer to multiple views at once:

```
View::composer(['profile', 'dashboard'],
'App\Http\ViewComposers\MyViewComposer');
```

## **Defining Multiple Composers**

You may use the composers method to register a group of composers at the same time:

```
View::composers([
    'App\Http\ViewComposers\AdminComposer' => ['admin.index',
    'admin.profile'],
    'App\Http\ViewComposers\UserComposer' => 'user',
    'App\Http\ViewComposers\ProductComposer' => 'product'
]);
```

## **View Creators**

View **creators** work almost exactly like view composers; however, they are fired immediately when the view is instantiated. To register a view creator, use the creator method:

```
View::creator('profile', 'App\Http\ViewCreators\ProfileCreator');
```

#### **Architecture Foundations**

# **Service Providers**

- Introduction
- Basic Provider Example
- Registering Providers
- Deferred Providers

# Introduction

Service providers are the central place of all Laravel application bootstrapping. Your own application, as well as all of Laravel's core services are bootstrapped via service providers.

But, what do we mean by "bootstrapped"? In general, we mean **registering** things, including registering service container bindings, event listeners, filters, and even routes. Service providers are the central place to configure your application.

If you open the <code>config/app.php</code> file included with Laravel, you will see a providers array. These are all of the service provider classes that will be loaded for your application. Of course, many of them are "deferred" providers, meaning they will not be loaded on every request, but only when the services they provide are actually needed.

In this overview you will learn how to write your own service providers and register them with your Laravel application.

# **Basic Provider Example**

All service providers extend the <code>illuminate\Support\ServiceProvider</code> class. This abstract class requires that you define at least one method on your provider: register. Within the register method, you should **only bind things into the service container**. You should never attempt to register any event listeners, routes, or any other piece of functionality within the register method.

The Artisan CLI can easily generate a new provider via the make:provider command:

php artisan make:provider RiakServiceProvider

## The Register Method

Now, let's take a look at a basic service provider:

```
<?php namespace App\Providers;
use Riak\Connection;
use Illuminate\Support\ServiceProvider;

class RiakServiceProvider extends ServiceProvider {
    /**
    * Register bindings in the container.
    *
    * @return void
    */
    public function register()
    {
        $this->app->singleton('Riak\Contracts\Connection', function($app))
```

```
{
     return new Connection($app['config']['riak']);
    });
}
```

This service provider only defines a register method, and uses that method to define an implementation of Riak\Contracts\Connection in the service container. If you don't understand how the service container works, don't worry, we'll cover that soon.

This class is namespaced under App\Providers since that is the default location for service providers in Laravel. However, you are free to change this as you wish. Your service providers may be placed anywhere that Composer can autoload them.

#### The Boot Method

So, what if we need to register an event listener within our service provider? This should be done within the boot method. **This method is called after all other service providers have been registered**, meaning you have access to all other services that have been registered by the framework.

We are able to type-hint dependencies for our boot method. The service container will automatically inject any dependencies you need:

# **Registering Providers**

All service providers are registered in the config/app.php configuration file. This file contains a providers array where you can list the names of your service providers. By default, a set of Laravel core service providers are listed in this array.

These providers bootstrap the core Laravel components, such as the mailer, queue, cache, and others.

To register your provider, simply add it to the array:

```
'providers' => [
    // Other Service Providers

    'App\Providers\AppServiceProvider',
```

# **Deferred Providers**

If your provider is **only** registering bindings in the <u>service container</u>, you may choose to defer its registration until one of the registered bindings is actually needed. Deferring the loading of such a provider will improve the performance of your application, since it is not loaded from the filesystem on every request.

To defer the loading of a provider, set the defer property to true and define a provides method. The provides method returns the service container bindings that the provider registers:

```
<?php namespace App\Providers;</pre>
use Riak\Connection:
use Illuminate\Support\ServiceProvider;
class RiakServiceProvider extends ServiceProvider {
    * Indicates if loading of the provider is deferred.
     * @var bool
    */
    protected $defer = true;
    * Register the service provider.
     * @return void
    public function register()
    {
        $this->app->singleton('Riak\Contracts\Connection', function($app)
            return new Connection($app['config']['riak']);
    }
    * Get the services provided by the provider.
    * @return array
   public function provides()
        return ['Riak\Contracts\Connection'];
}
```

Laravel compiles and stores a list of all of the services supplied by deferred service providers, along with the name of its service provider class. Then, only when you attempt to resolve one of these services does Laravel load the service provider.

#### **Architecture Foundations**

# **Service Container**

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# Introduction

The Laravel service container is a powerful tool for managing class dependencies. Dependency injection is a fancy word that essentially means this: class dependencies are "injected" into the class via the constructor or, in some cases, "setter" methods.

Let's look at a simple example:

```
<?php namespace App\Handlers\Commands;</pre>
use App\User;
use App\Commands\PurchasePodcastCommand;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Mail\Mailer;
class PurchasePodcastHandler {
    * The mailer implementation.
   protected $mailer;
    * Create a new instance.
    * @param Mailer $mailer
    * @return void
    public function __construct(Mailer $mailer)
        $this->mailer = $mailer;
   }
    * Purchase a podcast.
    * @param PurchasePodcastCommand $command
    * @return void
   public function handle(PurchasePodcastCommand $command)
    }
}
```

In this example, the PurchasePodcast command handler needs to send e-mails when a podcast is purchased. So, we will **inject** a service that is able to send e-mails. Since the service is injected, we are able to easily swap it out with another implementation. We are also able to easily "mock", or create a dummy implementation of the mailer when testing our application.

A deep understanding of the Laravel service container is essential to building a powerful, large application, as well as for contributing to the Laravel core itself.

# **Basic Usage**

# **Binding**

Almost all of your service container bindings will be registered within <u>service providers</u>, so all of these examples will demonstrate using the container in that context. However, if you need an instance of the container elsewhere in your application, such as a factory, you may type-hint the

Illuminate\Contracts\Container\Container contract and an instance of the container will be injected for you. Alternatively, you may use the App facade to access the container.

### Registering A Basic Resolver

Within a service provider, you always have access to the container via the \$this>app instance variable.

There are several ways the service container can register dependencies, including Closure callbacks and binding interfaces to implementations. First, we'll explore Closure callbacks. A Closure resolver is registered in the container with a key (typically the class name) and a Closure that returns some value:

```
$this->app->bind('FooBar', function($app)
{
    return new FooBar($app['SomethingElse']);
});
```

#### **Registering A Singleton**

Sometimes, you may wish to bind something into the container that should only be resolved once, and the same instance should be returned on subsequent calls into the container:

```
$this->app->singleton('FooBar', function($app)
{
    return new FooBar($app['SomethingElse']);
});
```

### **Binding An Existing Instance Into The Container**

You may also bind an existing object instance into the container using the instance method. The given instance will always be returned on subsequent calls into the container:

```
$fooBar = new FooBar(new SomethingElse);
$this->app->instance('FooBar', $fooBar);
```

## Resolving

There are several ways to resolve something out of the container. First, you may use the make method:

```
$fooBar = $this->app->make('FooBar');
```

Secondly, you may use "array access" on the container, since it implements PHP's ArrayAccess interface:

```
$fooBar = $this->app['FooBar'];
```

Lastly, but most importantly, you may simply "type-hint" the dependency in the constructor of a class that is resolved by the container, including controllers, event listeners, queue jobs, filters, and more. The container will automatically inject the dependencies:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;</pre>
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
use App\Users\Repository as UserRepository;
class UserController extends Controller {
    * The user repository instance.
   protected $users;
    * Create a new controller instance.
    * @param UserRepository $users
    * @return void
   public function __construct(UserRepository $users)
        $this->users = $users;
    * Show the user with the given ID.
    * @param int $id
    * @return Response
   public function show($id)
        //
}
```

# **Binding Interfaces To Implementations**

# **Injecting Concrete Dependencies**

A very powerful feature of the service container is its ability to bind an interface to a given implementation. For example, perhaps our application integrates with the <a href="Pusher">Pusher</a> web service for sending and receiving real-time events. If we are using Pusher's PHP SDK, we could inject an instance of the Pusher client into a class:

```
<?php namespace App\Handlers\Commands;
use App\Commands\CreateOrder;
use Pusher\Client as PusherClient;

class CreateOrderHandler {
    /**
    * The Pusher SDK client instance.
    */
    protected $pusher;
    /**
    * Create a new order handler instance.</pre>
```

```
*
 * @param PusherClient $pusher
 * @return void
 */
public function __construct(PusherClient $pusher)
{
     $this->pusher = $pusher;
}

/**
 * Execute the given command.
 *
 * @param CreateOrder $command
 * @return void
 */
public function execute(CreateOrder $command)
{
     //
}
```

In this example, it is good that we are injecting the class dependencies; however, we are tightly coupled to the Pusher SDK. If the Pusher SDK methods change or we decide to switch to a new event service entirely, we will need to change our CreateOrderHandler code.

### **Program To An Interface**

In order to "insulate" the CreateOrderHandler against changes to event pushing, we could define an EventPusher interface and a PusherEventPusher implementation:

```
<?php namespace App\Contracts;
interface EventPusher {
    /**
    * Push a new event to all clients.
    *
    * @param string $event
    * @param array $data
    * @return void
    */
    public function push($event, array $data);
}</pre>
```

Once we have coded our PusherEventPusher implementation of this interface, we can register it with the service container like so:

```
$this->app->bind('App\Contracts\EventPusher',
'App\Services\PusherEventPusher');
```

This tells the container that it should inject the PusherEventPusher when a class needs an implementation of EventPusher. Now we can type-hint the EventPusher interface in our constructor:

```
/**
  * Create a new order handler instance.
  *
  * @param EventPusher $pusher
  * @return void
  */
public function __construct(EventPusher $pusher)
{
    $this->pusher = $pusher;
}
```

# **Contextual Binding**

Sometimes you may have two classes that utilize the same interface, but you wish to inject different implementations into each class. For example, when our system receives a new Order, we may want to send an event via <a href="PubNub">PubNub</a> rather than Pusher. Laravel provides a simple, fluent interface for defining this behavior:

# **Tagging**

Occasionally, you may need to resolve all of a certain "category" of binding. For example, perhaps you are building a report aggregator that receives an array of many different Report interface implementations. After registering the Report implementations, you can assign them a tag using the tag method:

Once the services have been tagged, you may easily resolve them all via the tagged method:

```
$this->app->bind('ReportAggregator', function($app)
{
    return new ReportAggregator($app->tagged('reports'));
});
```

# **Practical Applications**

Laravel provides several opportunities to use the service container to increase the flexibility and testability of your application. One primary example is when resolving controllers. All controllers are resolved through the service container, meaning you can type-hint dependencies in a controller constructor, and they will automatically be injected.

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
use App\Repositories\OrderRepository;

class OrdersController extends Controller {
    /**
    * The order repository instance.
    */
    protected $orders;

    /**
    * Create a controller instance.
    *
    * @param OrderRepository $orders
    * @return void
    */
    public function __construct(OrderRepository $orders)
    {
        $this->orders = $orders;
    }
}
```

In this example, the orderRepository class will automatically be injected into the controller. This means that a "mock" orderRepository may be bound into the container when <u>unit testing</u>, allowing for painless stubbing of database layer interaction.

### Other Examples Of Container Usage

Of course, as mentioned above, controllers are not the only classes Laravel resolves via the service container. You may also type-hint dependencies on route Closures, filters, queue jobs, event listeners, and more. For examples of using the service container in these contexts, please refer to their documentation.

## **Container Events**

### **Registering A Resolving Listener**

The container fires an event each time it resolves an object. You may listen to this event using the resolving method:

```
$this->app->resolving(function($object, $app)
{
    // Called when container resolves object of any type...
});
$this->app->resolving(function(FooBar $fooBar, $app)
{
    // Called when container resolves objects of type "FooBar"...
});
```

The object being resolved will be passed to the callback.

#### **Architecture Foundations**

# **Contracts**

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### Introduction

Laravel's Contracts are a set of interfaces that define the core services provided by the framework. For example, a Queue contract defines the methods needed for queueing jobs, while the Mailer contract defines the methods needed for sending e-mail.

Each contract has a corresponding implementation provided by the framework. For example, Laravel provides a Queue implementation with a variety of drivers, and a Mailer implementation that is powered by <a href="SwiftMailer">SwiftMailer</a>.

All of the Laravel contracts live in <u>their own GitHub repository</u>. This provides a quick reference point for all available contracts, as well as a single, decoupled package that may be utilized by other package developers.

# **Why Contracts?**

You may have several questions regarding contracts. Why use interfaces at all? Isn't using interfaces more complicated?

Let's distill the reasons for using interfaces to the following headings: loose coupling and simplicity.

## **Loose Coupling**

First, let's review some code that is tightly coupled to a cache implementation. Consider the following:

```
<?php namespace App\Orders;

class Repository {
    /**
        * The cache.
        */
    protected $cache;

    /**
        * Create a new repository instance.
        *
        * @param \SomePackage\Cache\Memcached $cache
        * @return void
        */
    public function __construct(\SomePackage\Cache\Memcached $cache) {
        $this->cache = $cache;
    }

    /**
        * Retrieve an Order by ID.
        *
        * @param int $id
        * @return Order
```

```
*/
public function find($id)
{
    if ($this->cache->has($id))
    {
        //
     }
}
```

In this class, the code is tightly coupled to a given cache implementation. It is tightly coupled because we are depending on a concrete Cache class from a package vendor. If the API of that package changes our code must change as well.

Likewise, if we want to replace our underlying cache technology (Memcached) with another technology (Redis), we again will have to modify our repository. Our repository should not have so much knowledge regarding who is providing them data or how they are providing it.

Instead of this approach, we can improve our code by depending on a simple, vendor agnostic interface:

```
<?php namespace App\Orders;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Repository as Cache;
class Repository {
    /**
        * Create a new repository instance.
        *
        * @param Cache $cache
        * @return void
        */
        public function __construct(Cache $cache)
        {
            $this->cache = $cache;
        }
}
```

Now the code is not coupled to any specific vendor, or even Laravel. Since the contracts package contains no implementation and no dependencies, you may easily write an alternative implementation of any given contract, allowing you to replace your cache implementation without modifying any of your cache consuming code.

## **Simplicity**

When all of Laravel's services are neatly defined within simple interfaces, it is very easy to determine the functionality offered by a given service. **The contracts serve** as succinct documentation to the framework's features.

In addition, when you depend on simple interfaces, your code is easier to understand and maintain. Rather than tracking down which methods are available to you within a large, complicated class, you can refer to a simple, clean interface.

### **Contract Reference**

This is a reference to most Laravel Contracts, as well as their Laravel "facade" counterparts:

Contract

Laravel 4.x Facade

Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\Guard

Auth

Contract	Laravel 4.x Facade

 Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\PasswordBroker
 Password

 Illuminate\Contracts\Bus\Dispatcher
 Bus

 Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Repository
 Cache

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Factory</u> Cache::driver()

 Illuminate\Contracts\Config\Repository
 Config

 Illuminate\Contracts\Container\Container
 App

 Illuminate\Contracts\Cookie\Factory
 Cookie

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\Cookie\QueueingFactory</u> Cookie::queue()

 Illuminate\Contracts\Encryption\Encrypter
 Crypt

 Illuminate\Contracts\Events\Dispatcher
 Event

Illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Cloud

 Illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Factory
 File

 Illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Filesystem
 File

 Illuminate\Contracts\Foundation\Application
 App

 Illuminate\Contracts\Hashing\Hasher
 Hash

 Illuminate\Contracts\Logging\Log
 Log

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\Mail\MailQueue</u> Mail::queue()

Illuminate\Contracts\Mail\Mailer Mail

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\Queue\Factory</u> Queue::driver()

 Illuminate\Contracts\Queue\Queue
 Queue

 Illuminate\Contracts\Redis\Database
 Redis

 Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\Registrar
 Route

 Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\ResponseFactory
 Response

 Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\UrlGenerator
 URL

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\Support\Arrayable</u>

Illuminate\Contracts\Support\Jsonable

Illuminate\Contracts\Support\Renderable

Illuminate\Contracts\Validation\Factory Validator::make()

Illuminate\Contracts\Validation\Validator

<u>Illuminate\Contracts\View\Factory</u> View::make()

Illuminate\Contracts\View\View

### **How To Use Contracts**

So, how do you get an implementation of a contract? It's actually quite simple. Many types of classes in Laravel are resolved through the <u>service container</u>, including controllers, event listeners, filters, queue jobs, and even route Closures. So, to get an implementation of a contract, you can just "type-hint" the interface in the constructor of the class being resolved. For example, take a look at this event handler:

```
<?php namespace App\Handlers\Events;
use App\User;
use App\Events\NewUserRegistered;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Redis\Database;
class CacheUserInformation {
    /**</pre>
```

}

```
* The Redis database implementation.
*/
protected $redis;

/**
    * Create a new event handler instance.
    *
    * @param Database $redis
    * @return void
    */
public function __construct(Database $redis)
{
        $this->redis = $redis;
}

/**
    * Handle the event.
    *
    * @param NewUserRegistered $event
    * @return void
    */
public function handle(NewUserRegistered $event)
{
        //
}
```

When the event listener is resolved, the service container will read the type-hints on the constructor of the class, and inject the appropriate value. To learn more about registering things in the service container, check out <u>the documentation</u>.

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## **Facades**

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### Introduction

Facades provide a "static" interface to classes that are available in the application's <u>service container</u>. Laravel ships with many facades, and you have probably been using them without even knowing it! Laravel "facades" serve as "static proxies" to underlying classes in the service container, providing the benefit of a terse, expressive syntax while maintaining more testability and flexibility than traditional static methods.

Occasionally, you may wish to create your own facades for your application's and packages, so let's explore the concept, development and usage of these classes.

**Note:** Before digging into facades, it is strongly recommended that you become very familiar with the Laravel <u>service container</u>.

# **Explanation**

In the context of a Laravel application, a facade is a class that provides access to an object from the container. The machinery that makes this work is in the Facade class. Laravel's facades, and any custom facades you create, will extend the base Facade class.

Your facade class only needs to implement a single method: <code>getFacadeAccessor</code>. It's the <code>getFacadeAccessor</code> method's job to define what to resolve from the container. The <code>Facade</code> base class makes use of the <code>\_\_callstatic()</code> magic-method to defer calls from your facade to the resolved object.

So, when you make a facade call like <code>cache::get</code>, Laravel resolves the Cache manager class out of the service container and calls the <code>get</code> method on the class. In technical terms, Laravel Facades are a convenient syntax for using the Laravel service container as a service locator.

# **Practical Usage**

In the example below, a call is made to the Laravel cache system. By glancing at this code, one might assume that the static method get is being called on the cache class.

```
$value = Cache::get('key');
```

However, if we look at that Illuminate\Support\Facades\Cache class, you'll see that there is no static method get:

```
class Cache extends Facade {
   /**
```

```
* Get the registered name of the component.

*
    * @return string
    */
protected static function getFacadeAccessor() { return 'cache'; }
}
```

The Cache class extends the base Facade class and defines a method getFacadeAccessor(). Remember, this method's job is to return the name of a service container binding.

When a user references any static method on the cache facade, Laravel resolves the cache binding from the service container and runs the requested method (in this case, get) against that object.

So, our cache::get call could be re-written like so:

```
$value = $app->make('cache')->get('key');
```

#### **Importing Facades**

Remember, if you are using a facade in a controller that is namespaced, you will need to import the facade class into the namespace. All facades live in the global namespace:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Cache;
class PhotosController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Get all of the application photos.
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function index()
    {
        $photos = Cache::get('photos');
        //
    }
}</pre>
```

# **Creating Facades**

Creating a facade for your own application or package is simple. You only need 3 things:

- A service container binding.
- A facade class.
- A facade alias configuration.

Let's look at an example. Here, we have a class defined as PaymentGateway\Payment.

```
namespace PaymentGateway;
class Payment {
    public function process()
    {
        //
    }
}
```

We need to be able to resolve this class from the service container. So, let's add a binding to a service provider:

```
App::bind('payment', function()
{
    return new \PaymentGateway\Payment;
});
```

A great place to register this binding would be to create a new <u>service provider</u> named PaymentServiceProvider, and add this binding to the register method. You can then configure Laravel to load your service provider from the <code>config/app.php</code> configuration file.

Next, we can create our own facade class:

```
use Illuminate\Support\Facades\Facade;
class Payment extends Facade {
    protected static function getFacadeAccessor() { return 'payment'; }
}
```

Finally, if we wish, we can add an alias for our facade to the aliases array in the config/app.php configuration file. Now, we can call the process method on an instance of the Payment class.

```
Payment::process();
```

## A Note On Auto-Loading Aliases

Classes in the aliases array are not available in some instances because <u>PHP will</u> not attempt to autoload undefined type-hinted classes. If

\ServiceWrapper\ApiTimeoutException is aliased to ApiTimeoutException, a catch(ApiTimeoutException \$e) outside of the namespace \serviceWrapper will never catch the exception, even if one is thrown. A similar problem is found in classes which have type hints to aliased classes. The only workaround is to forego aliasing and use the classes you wish to type hint at the top of each file which requires them.

# **Mocking Facades**

Unit testing is an important aspect of why facades work the way that they do. In fact, testability is the primary reason for facades to even exist. For more information, check out the <u>mocking facades</u> section of the documentation.

### **Facade Class Reference**

Below you will find every facade and its underlying class. This is a useful tool for quickly digging into the API documentation for a given facade root. The <u>service container binding</u> key is also included where applicable.

Facade	Class	Service Container Binding
App	Illuminate\Foundation\Application	app
Artisan	Illuminate\Console\Application	artisan
Auth	Illuminate\Auth\AuthManager	auth

Facade	Class	Service Container Binding
Auth (Instance)	Illuminate\Auth\Guard	
Blade	Illuminate\View\Compilers\BladeCompiler	blade.compiler
Bus	Illuminate\Contracts\Bus\Dispatcher	
Cache	Illuminate\Cache\CacheManager	cache
Config	Illuminate\Config\Repository	config
Cookie	Illuminate\Cookie\CookieJar	cookie
Crypt	Illuminate\Encryption\Encrypter	encrypter
DB	Illuminate\Database\DatabaseManager	db
DB (Instance)	Illuminate\Database\Connection	
Event	Illuminate\Events\Dispatcher	events
File	Illuminate\Filesystem\Filesystem	files
Hash	Illuminate\Contracts\Hashing\Hasher	hash
Input	Illuminate\Http\Request	request
Lang	Illuminate\Translation\Translator	translator
Log	Illuminate\Log\Writer	log
Mail	Illuminate\Mail\Mailer	mailer
Password	Illuminate\Auth\Passwords\PasswordBroker	auth.password
Queue	Illuminate\Queue\QueueManager	queue
Queue (Instance)	Illuminate\Queue\QueueInterface	
Queue (Base Class)	Illuminate\Queue\Queue	
Redirect	Illuminate\Routing\Redirector	redirect
Redis	Illuminate\Redis\Database	redis
Request	Illuminate\Http\Request	request
Response	Illuminate\Contracts\Routing\ResponseFactory	•
Route	Illuminate\Routing\Router	router
Schema	Illuminate\Database\Schema\Blueprint	
Session	Illuminate\Session\SessionManager	session
Session (Instance)	Illuminate\Session\Store	
Storage	Illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Factory	filesystem
URL	Illuminate\Routing\UrlGenerator	url
Validator	Illuminate\Validation\Factory	validator
Validator (Instance)	Illuminate\Validation\Validator	
View	Illuminate\View\Factory	view
View (Instance)	Illuminate\View\View	

#### **Architecture Foundations**

# **Request Lifecycle**

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- Focus On Service Providers

### Introduction

When using any tool in the "real world", you feel more confident if you understand how that tool works. Application development is no different. When you understand how your development tools function, you feel more comfortable and confident using them.

The goal of this document is to give you a good, high-level overview of how the Laravel framework "works". By getting to know the overall framework better, everything feels less "magical" and you will be more confident building your applications.

If you don't understand all of the terms right away, don't lose heart! Just try to get a basic grasp of what is going on, and your knowledge will grow as you explore other sections of the documentation.

# Lifecycle Overview

#### **First Things**

The entry point for all requests to a Laravel application is the public/index.php file. All requests are directed to this file by your web server (Apache / Nginx) configuration. The index.php file doesn't contain much code. Rather, it is simply a starting point for loading the rest of the framework.

The index.php file loads the Composer generated autoloader definition, and then retrieves an instance of the Laravel application from bootstrap/app.php script. The first action taken by Laravel itself is to create an instance of the application / service container.

#### **HTTP / Console Kernels**

Next, the incoming request is sent to either the HTTP kernel or the console kernel, depending on the type of request that is entering the application. These two kernels serve as the central location that all requests flow through. For now, let's just focus on the HTTP kernel, which is located in app/Http/Kernel.php.

The HTTP kernel extends the <code>illuminate\Foundation\Http\Kernel</code> class, which defines an array of <code>bootstrappers</code> that will be run before the request is executed. These bootstrappers configure error handling, configure logging, detect the application environment, and perform other tasks that need to be done before the request is actually handled.

The HTTP kernel also defines a list of HTTP <u>middleware</u> that all requests must pass through before being handled by the application. These middleware handle reading and writing the HTTP session, determine if the application is in maintenance mode, verifying the CSRF token, and more.

The method signature for the HTTP kernel's handle method is quite simple: receive a Request and return a Response. Think of the Kernel as being a big black box that represents your entire application. Feed it HTTP requests and it will return HTTP responses.

#### **Service Providers**

One of the most important Kernel bootstrapping actions is loading the service providers for your application. All of the service providers for the application are configured in the config/app.php configuration file's providers array. First, the register method will be called on all providers, then, once all providers have been registered, the boot method will be called.

### **Dispatch Request**

Once the application has been bootstrapped and all service providers have been registered, the Request will be handed off to the router for dispatching. The router will dispatch the request to a route or controller, as well as run any route specific middleware.

### **Focus On Service Providers**

Service providers are truly the key to bootstrapping a Laravel application. The application instance is created, the service providers are registered, and the request is handed to the bootstrapped application. It's really that simple!

Having a firm grasp of how a Laravel application is built and bootstrapped via service providers is very valuable. Of course, your application's default service providers are stored in the app/Providers directory.

By default, the AppserviceProvider is fairly empty. This provider is a great place to add your application's own bootstrapping and service container bindings. Of course, for large applications, you may wish to create several service providers, each with a more granular type of bootstrapping.

#### **Architecture Foundations**

# **Application Structure**

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- The App Directory
- Namespacing Your Application

### Introduction

The default Laravel application structure is intended to provide a great starting point for both large and small applications. Of course, you are free to organize your application however you like. Laravel imposes almost no restrictions on where any given class is located - as long as Composer can autoload the class.

# The Root Directory

The root directory of a fresh Laravel installation contains a variety of folders:

The app directory, as you might expect, contains the core code of your application. We'll explore this folder in more detail soon.

The bootstrap folder contains a few files that bootstrap the framework and configure autoloading.

The config directory, as the name implies, contains all of your application's configuration files.

The database folder contains your database migration and seeds.

The public directory contains the front controller and your assets (images, JavaScript, CSS, etc.).

The resources directory contains your views, raw assets (LESS, SASS, CoffeeScript), and "language" files.

The storage directory contains compiled Blade templates, file based sessions, file caches, and other files generated by the framework.

The tests directory contains your automated tests.

The vendor directory contains your Composer dependencies.

# The App Directory

The "meat" of your application lives in the app directory. By default, this directory is namespaced under App and is autoloaded by Composer using the PSR-4 autoloading standard. You may change this namespace using the app:name Artisan command.

The app directory ships with a variety of additional directories such as console, Http, and Providers. Think of the console and Http directories as providing an API into the "core" of your application. The HTTP protocol and CLI are both mechanisms to interact with your application, but do not actually contain application logic. In other words, they are simply two ways of issuing commands to

your application. The console directory contains all of your Artisan commands, while the Http directory contains your controllers, filters, and requests.

The commands directory, of course, houses the commands for your application. Commands represent jobs that can be queued by your application, as well as tasks that you can run synchronously within the current request lifecycle.

The Events directory, as you might expect, houses event classes. Of course, using classes to represent events is not required; however, if you choose to use them, this directory is the default location they will be created by the Artisan command line.

The Handlers directory contains the handler classes for both commands and events. Handlers receive a command or event and perform logic in response to that command or event being fired.

The services directory contains various "helper" services your application needs to function. For example, the Registrar service included with Laravel is responsible for validating and creating new users of your application. Other examples might be services to interact with external APIs, metrics systems, or even services that aggregate data from your own application.

The Exceptions directory contains your application's exception handler and is also a good place to stick any exceptions thrown by your application.

**Note:** Many of the classes in the app directory can be generated by Artisan via commands. To review the available commands, run the php artisan list make command in your terminal.

# **Namespacing Your Application**

As discussed above, the default application namespace is App; however, you may change this namespace to match the name of your application, which is easily done via the app:name Artisan command. For example, if your application is named "SocialNet", you would run the following command:

php artisan app:name SocialNet

#### **Services**

# **Authentication**

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- HTTP Basic Authentication
- Password Reminders & Reset
- Social Authentication

### Introduction

Laravel makes implementing authentication very simple. In fact, almost everything is configured for you out of the box. The authentication configuration file is located at config/auth.php, which contains several well documented options for tweaking the behavior of the authentication services.

By default, Laravel includes an App\User model in your app directory. This model may be used with the default Eloquent authentication driver.

Remember: when building the database schema for this model, make the password column at least 60 characters. Also, before getting started, make sure that your users (or equivalent) table contains a nullable, string remember\_token column of 100 characters. This column will be used to store a token for "remember me" sessions being maintained by your application. This can be done by using \$table>rememberToken(); in a migration. Of course, Laravel 5 ships migrations for these columns out of the box!

If your application is not using Eloquent, you may use the database authentication driver which uses the Laravel query builder.

# **Authenticating Users**

Laravel ships with two authentication related controllers out of the box. The AuthController handles new user registration and "logging in", while the PasswordController contains the logic to help existing users reset their forgotten passwords.

Each of these controllers uses a trait to include their necessary methods. For many applications, you will not need to modify these controllers at all. The views that these controllers render are located in the resources/views/auth directory. You are free to customize these views however you wish.

## The User Registrar

To modify the form fields that are required when a new user registers with your application, you may modify the App\Services\Registrar class. This class is responsible for validating and creating new users of your application.

The validator method of the Registrar contains the validation rules for new users of the application, while the create method of the Registrar is responsible for creating new user records in your database. You are free to modify each of these

methods as you wish. The Registrar is called by the Authontroller via the methods contained in the AuthenticatesAndRegistersUsers trait.

#### **Manual Authentication**

If you choose not to use the provided Authcontroller implementation, you will need to manage the authentication of your users using the Laravel authentication classes directly. Don't worry, it's still a cinch! First, let's check out the attempt method:

```
<?php namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Auth;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;

class AuthController extends Controller {

    /**
    * Handle an authentication attempt.
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function authenticate()
    {
        if (Auth::attempt(['email' => $email, 'password' => $password]))
          {
            return redirect()->intended('dashboard');
        }
    }
}
```

The attempt method will return true if authentication was successful. Otherwise, false will be returned.

**Note:** In this example, email is not a required option, it is merely used as an example. You should use whatever column name corresponds to a "username" in your database.

The intended redirect function will redirect the user to the URL they were attempting to access before being caught by the authentication filter. A fallback URI may be given to this method in case the intended destination is not available.

#### **Authenticating A User With Conditions**

You also may add extra conditions to the authentication query:

```
if (Auth::attempt(['email' => $email, 'password' => $password, 'active' =>
1]))
{
    // The user is active, not suspended, and exists.
}
```

### **Determining If A User Is Authenticated**

To determine if the user is already logged into your application, you may use the check method:

```
if (Auth::check())
{
    // The user is logged in...
}
```

### Authenticating A User And "Remembering" Them

If you would like to provide "remember me" functionality in your application, you may pass a boolean value as the second argument to the attempt method, which will keep the user authenticated indefinitely, or until they manually logout. Of course, your users table must include the string remember\_token column, which will be used to store the "remember me" token.

```
if (Auth::attempt(['email' => $email, 'password' => $password],
$remember))
{
    // The user is being remembered...
}
```

If you are "remembering" users, you may use the viaRemember method to determine if the user was authenticated using the "remember me" cookie:

```
if (Auth::viaRemember())
{
     //
}
```

### **Authenticating Users By ID**

To log a user into the application by their ID, use the loginusingId method:

```
Auth::loginUsingId(1);
```

### Validating User Credentials Without Login

The validate method allows you to validate a user's credentials without actually logging them into the application:

```
if (Auth::validate($credentials))
{
     //
}
```

### Logging A User In For A Single Request

You may also use the once method to log a user into the application for a single request. No sessions or cookies will be utilized:

```
if (Auth::once($credentials))
{
     //
}
```

### Manually Logging In A User

If you need to log an existing user instance into your application, you may call the login method with the user instance:

```
Auth::login($user);
```

This is equivalent to logging in a user via credentials using the attempt method.

## Logging A User Out Of The Application

```
Auth::logout();
```

Of course, if you are using the built-in Laravel authentication controllers, a controller method that handles logging users out of the application is provided out of the box.

#### **Authentication Events**

When the attempt method is called, the auth.attempt event will be fired. If the authentication attempt is successful and the user is logged in, the auth.login event will be fired as well.

# **Retrieving The Authenticated User**

Once a user is authenticated, there are several ways to obtain an instance of the User.

First, you may access the user from the Auth facade:

```
<?php
namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Auth;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
class ProfileController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Update the user's profile.
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function updateProfile()
    {
        if (Auth::user())
        {
            // Auth::user() returns an instance of the authenticated user...
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

Second, you may access the authenticated user via an <code>illuminate\Http\Request</code> instance:

```
<?php
namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
class ProfileController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Update the user's profile.
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function updateProfile(Request $request)
}</pre>
```

Thirdly, you may type-hint the <code>illuminate\Contracts\Auth\Authenticatable</code> contract. This type-hint may be added to a controller constructor, controller method, or any other constructor of a class resolved by the <a href="service container">service container</a>:

```
<?php
namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use Illuminate\Routing\Controller;
use Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\Authenticatable;
class ProfileController extends Controller {
    /**
    * Update the user's profile.
    *
    * @return Response
    */
    public function updateProfile(Authenticatable $user)
    {
        // $user is an instance of the authenticated user...
}</pre>
```

# **Protecting Routes**

Route middleware can be used to allow only authenticated users to access a given route. Laravel provides the auth middleware by default, and it is defined in app\Http\Middleware\Authenticate.php. All you need to do is attach it to a route definition:

```
// With A Route Closure...
Route::get('profile', ['middleware' => 'auth', function()
{
    // Only authenticated users may enter...
}]);
// With A Controller...
Route::get('profile', ['middleware' => 'auth', 'uses' => 'ProfileController@show']);
```

### **HTTP Basic Authentication**

HTTP Basic Authentication provides a quick way to authenticate users of your application without setting up a dedicated "login" page. To get started, attach the auth.basic middleware to your route:

### **Protecting A Route With HTTP Basic**

```
Route::get('profile', ['middleware' => 'auth.basic', function()
{
    // Only authenticated users may enter...
}]);
```

By default, the basic middleware will use the email column on the user record as the "username".

### Setting Up A Stateless HTTP Basic Filter

You may also use HTTP Basic Authentication without setting a user identifier cookie in the session, which is particularly useful for API authentication. To do so, define a middleware that calls the onceBasic method:

```
public function handle($request, Closure $next)
{
    return Auth::onceBasic() ?: $next($request);
}
```

If you are using PHP FastCGI, HTTP Basic authentication may not work correctly out of the box. The following lines should be added to your .htaccess file:

```
RewriteCond %{HTTP:Authorization} ^(.+)$
RewriteRule .* - [E=HTTP_AUTHORIZATION:%{HTTP:Authorization}]
```

### Password Reminders & Reset

### **Model & Table**

Most web applications provide a way for users to reset their forgotten passwords. Rather than forcing you to re-implement this on each application, Laravel provides convenient methods for sending password reminders and performing password resets.

To get started, verify that your user model implements the Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\CanResetPassword contract. Of course, the user model included with the framework already implements this interface, and uses the Illuminate\Auth\Passwords\CanResetPassword trait to include the methods needed to implement the interface.

### **Generating The Reminder Table Migration**

Next, a table must be created to store the password reset tokens. The migration for this table is included with Laravel out of the box, and resides in the database/migrations directory. So all you need to do is migrate:

```
php artisan migrate
```

### **Password Reminder Controller**

Laravel also includes an Auth\PasswordController that contains the logic necessary to reset user passwords. We've even provided views to get you started! The views are located in the resources/views/auth directory. You are free to modify these views as you wish to suit your own application's design.

Your user will receive an e-mail with a link that points to the getreset method of the Passwordcontroller. This method will render the password reset form and allow users to reset their passwords. After the password is reset, the user will automatically be logged into the application and redirected to /home. You can customize the post-reset redirect location by defining a redirectTo property on the PasswordController:

```
protected $redirectTo = '/dashboard';
```

**Note:** By default, password reset tokens expire after one hour. You may change this via the reminder.expire option in your config/auth.php file.

### **Social Authentication**

In addition to typical, form based authentication, Laravel also provides a simple, convenient way to authenticate with OAuth providers using <u>Laravel Socialite</u>. Socialite currently supports authentication with Facebook, Twitter, Google, GitHub and Bitbucket.

To get started with Socialite, include the package in your composer.json file:

```
"laravel/socialite": "~2.0"
```

Next, register the Laravel\socialite\socialiteserviceProvider in your config/app.php configuration file. You may also register a <u>facade</u>:

```
'Socialize' => 'Laravel\Socialite\Facades\Socialite',
```

You will need to add credentials for the OAuth services your application utilizes. These credentials should be placed in your config/services.php configuration file, and should use the key facebook, twitter, google, or github, depending on the providers your application requires. For example:

```
'github' => [
   'client_id' => 'your-github-app-id',
   'client_secret' => 'your-github-app-secret',
   'redirect' => 'http://your-callback-url',
],
```

Next, you are ready to authenticate users! You will need two routes: one for redirecting the user to the OAuth provider, and another for receiving the callback from the provider after authentication. Here's an example using the socialize facade:

```
public function redirectToProvider()
{
    return Socialize::with('github')->redirect();
}

public function handleProviderCallback()
{
    $user = Socialize::with('github')->user();
    // $user->token;
}
```

The redirect method takes care of sending the user to the OAuth provider, while the user method will read the incoming request and retrieve the user's information from the provider. Before redirecting the user, you may also set "scopes" on the request:

```
return Socialize::with('github')->scopes(['scope1', 'scope2'])-
>redirect();
```

Once you have a user instance, you can grab a few more details about the user:

### **Retrieving User Details**

```
$user = Socialize::with('github')->user();
// OAuth Two Providers
$token = $user->token;
```

```
// OAuth One Providers
$token = $user->token;
$tokenSecret = $user->tokenSecret;

// All Providers
$user->getId();
$user->getNickname();
$user->getName();
$user->getEmail();
$user->getAvatar();
```

#### **Services**

# **Laravel Cashier**

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## Introduction

Laravel Cashier provides an expressive, fluent interface to <u>Stripe's</u> subscription billing services. It handles almost all of the boilerplate subscription billing code you are dreading writing. In addition to basic subscription management, Cashier can handle coupons, swapping subscription, subscription "quantities", cancellation grace periods, and even generate invoice PDFs.

# Configuration

#### Composer

First, add the Cashier package to your composer.json file:

```
"laravel/cashier": "~5.0" (For Stripe SDK ~2.0, and Stripe APIs on 2015-02-18 version and later)
"laravel/cashier": "~4.0" (For Stripe APIs on 2015-02-18 version and later)
"laravel/cashier": "~3.0" (For Stripe APIs up to and including 2015-02-16 version)
```

#### Service Provider

Next, register the Laravel\Cashier\CashierServiceProvider in your app configuration file.

### Migration

Before using Cashier, we'll need to add several columns to your database. Don't worry, you can use the cashier:table Artisan command to create a migration to add the necessary column. For example, to add the column to the users table use php artisan cashier:table users. Once the migration has been created, simply run the migrate command.

#### **Model Setup**

Next, add the Billable trait and appropriate date mutators to your model definition:

```
use Laravel\Cashier\Billable;
use Laravel\Cashier\Contracts\Billable as BillableContract;

class User extends Model implements BillableContract {
    use Billable;
    protected $dates = ['trial_ends_at', 'subscription_ends_at'];
}
```

### **Stripe Key**

Finally, set your Stripe key in your services.php config file:

```
'stripe' => [
  'model' => 'User',
  'secret' => env('STRIPE_API_SECRET'),
],
```

Alternatively you can store it in one of your bootstrap files or service providers, such as the AppServiceProvider:

```
User::setStripeKey('stripe-key');
```

# **Subscribing To A Plan**

Once you have a model instance, you can easily subscribe that user to a given Stripe plan:

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->subscription('monthly')->create($creditCardToken);
```

If you would like to apply a coupon when creating the subscription, you may use the withcoupon method:

```
$user->subscription('monthly')
   ->withCoupon('code')
   ->create($creditCardToken);
```

The subscription method will automatically create the Stripe subscription, as well as update your database with Stripe customer ID and other relevant billing information. If your plan has a trial configured in Stripe, the trial end date will also automatically be set on the user record.

If your plan has a trial period that is **not** configured in Stripe, you must set the trial end date manually after subscribing:

```
$user->trial_ends_at = Carbon::now()->addDays(14);
$user->save();
```

## **Specifying Additional User Details**

If you would like to specify additional customer details, you may do so by passing them as second argument to the create method:

```
$user->subscription('monthly')->create($creditCardToken, [
    'email' => $email, 'description' => 'Our First Customer'
]);
```

To learn more about the additional fields supported by Stripe, check out Stripe's documentation on customer creation.

# **Single Charges**

If you would like to make a "one off" charge against a subscribed customer's credit card, you may use the charge method:

```
$user->charge(100);
```

The charge method accepts the amount you would like to charge in the **lowest denominator of the currency**. So, for example, the example above will charge 100 cents, or \$1.00, against the user's credit card.

The charge method accepts an array as its second argument, allowing you to pass any options you wish to the underlying Stripe charge creation:

```
$user->charge(100, [
    'source' => $token,
    'receipt_email' => $user->email,
]);
```

The charge method will return false if the charge fails. This typically indicates the charge was denied:

```
if ( ! $user->charge(100))
{
     // The charge was denied...
}
```

If the charge is successful, the full Stripe response will be returned from the method.

# No Card Up Front

If your application offers a free-trial with no credit-card up front, set the cardUpFront property on your model to false:

```
protected $cardUpFront = false;
```

On account creation, be sure to set the trial end date on the model:

```
$user->trial_ends_at = Carbon::now()->addDays(14);
$user->save();
```

# **Swapping Subscriptions**

To swap a user to a new subscription, use the swap method:

```
$user->subscription('premium')->swap();
```

If the user is on trial, the trial will be maintained as normal. Also, if a "quantity" exists for the subscription, that quantity will also be maintained.

# **Subscription Quantity**

Sometimes subscriptions are affected by "quantity". For example, your application might charge \$10 per month per user on an account. To easily increment or decrement your subscription quantity, use the increment and decrement methods:

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->subscription()->increment();
```

```
// Add five to the subscription's current quantity...
$user->subscription()->increment(5);

$user->subscription()->decrement();

// Subtract five to the subscription's current quantity...
$user->subscription()->decrement(5);
```

# **Subscription Tax**

With Cashier, it's easy to override the tax\_percent value sent to Stripe. To specify the tax percentage a user pays on a subscription, implement the getTaxPercent method on your model, and return a numeric value between 0 and 100, with no more than 2 decimal places.

```
public function getTaxPercent()
{
    return 20;
}
```

This enables you to apply a tax rate on a model-by-model basis, which may be helpful for a user base that spans multiple countries.

# **Cancelling A Subscription**

Cancelling a subscription is a walk in the park:

```
$user->subscription()->cancel();
```

When a subscription is cancelled, Cashier will automatically set the subscription\_ends\_at column on your database. This column is used to know when the subscribed method should begin returning false. For example, if a customer cancels a subscription on March 1st, but the subscription was not scheduled to end until March 5th, the subscribed method will continue to return true until March 5th.

# **Resuming A Subscription**

If a user has cancelled their subscription and you wish to resume it, use the resume method:

```
$user->subscription('monthly')->resume($creditCardToken);
```

If the user cancels a subscription and then resumes that subscription before the subscription has fully expired, they will not be billed immediately. Their subscription will simply be re-activated, and they will be billed on the original billing cycle.

# **Checking Subscription Status**

To verify that a user is subscribed to your application, use the subscribed method:

The subscribed method makes a great candidate for a route middleware:

```
public function handle($request, Closure $next)
{
    if ($request->user() && ! $request->user()->subscribed())
    {
        return redirect('billing');
    }
    return $next($request);
}
```

You may also determine if the user is still within their trial period (if applicable) using the onTrial method:

To determine if the user was once an active subscriber, but has cancelled their subscription, you may use the cancelled method:

```
if ($user->cancelled())
{
     //
}
```

You may also determine if a user has cancelled their subscription, but are still on their "grace period" until the subscription fully expires. For example, if a user cancels a subscription on March 5th that was scheduled to end on March 10th, the user is on their "grace period" until March 10th. Note that the subscribed method still returns true during this time.

```
if ($user->onGracePeriod())
{
    //
}
```

The eversubscribed method may be used to determine if the user has ever subscribed to a plan in your application:

```
if ($user->everSubscribed())
{
     //
}
```

The onPlan method may be used to determine if the user is subscribed to a given plan based on its ID:

```
if ($user->onPlan('monthly'))
{
     //
}
```

# **Handling Failed Subscriptions**

What if a customer's credit card expires? No worries - Cashier includes a Webhook controller that can easily cancel the customer's subscription for you. Just point a route to the controller:

```
Route::post('stripe/webhook',
'Laravel\Cashier\WebhookController@handleWebhook');
```

That's it! Failed payments will be captured and handled by the controller. The controller will cancel the customer's subscription when Stripe determines the subscription has failed (normally after three failed payment attempts). The

stripe/webhook URI in this example is just for example. You will need to configure the URI in your Stripe settings.

# **Handling Other Stripe Webhooks**

If you have additional Stripe webhook events you would like to handle, simply extend the Webhook controller. Your method names should correspond to Cashier's expected convention, specifically, methods should be prefixed with handle and the name of the Stripe webhook you wish to handle. For example, if you wish to handle the invoice.payment\_succeeded webhook, you should add a handleInvoicePaymentSucceeded method to the controller.

```
class WebhookController extends Laravel\Cashier\WebhookController {
   public function handleInvoicePaymentSucceeded($payload)
   {
        // Handle The Event
   }
}
```

**Note:** In addition to updating the subscription information in your database, the Webhook controller will also cancel the subscription via the Stripe API.

### **Invoices**

You can easily retrieve an array of a user's invoices using the invoices method:

```
$invoices = $user->invoices();
```

When listing the invoices for the customer, you may use these helper methods to display the relevant invoice information:

```
{{ $invoice->id }}

{{ $invoice->dateString() }}

{{ $invoice->dollars() }}
```

Use the downloadInvoice method to generate a PDF download of the invoice. Yes, it's really this easy:

```
return $user->downloadInvoice($invoice->id, [
    'vendor' => 'Your Company',
    'product' => 'Your Product',
]);
```

#### Services

# Cache

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# **Configuration**

Laravel provides a unified API for various caching systems. The cache configuration is located at <code>config/cache.php</code>. In this file you may specify which cache driver you would like used by default throughout your application. Laravel supports popular caching backends like <a href="Memcached">Memcached</a> and <a href="Redis">Redis</a> out of the box.

The cache configuration file also contains various other options, which are documented within the file, so make sure to read over these options. By default, Laravel is configured to use the file cache driver, which stores the serialized, cached objects in the filesystem. For larger applications, it is recommended that you use an in-memory cache such as Memcached or APC. You may even configure multiple cache configurations for the same driver.

Before using a Redis cache with Laravel, you will need to install the predis/predis package (~1.0) via Composer.

# Cache Usage

#### **Storing An Item In The Cache**

```
Cache::put('key', 'value', $minutes);
```

### **Using Carbon Objects To Set Expire Time**

```
$expiresAt = Carbon::now()->addMinutes(10);
Cache::put('key', 'value', $expiresAt);
```

### Storing An Item In The Cache If It Doesn't Exist

```
Cache::add('key', 'value', $minutes);
```

The add method will return true if the item is actually **added** to the cache. Otherwise, the method will return false.

### **Checking For Existence In Cache**

### **Retrieving An Item From The Cache**

```
$value = Cache::get('key');
```

#### **Retrieving An Item Or Returning A Default Value**

```
$value = Cache::get('key', 'default');
$value = Cache::get('key', function() { return 'default'; });
```

### **Storing An Item In The Cache Permanently**

```
Cache::forever('key', 'value');
```

Sometimes you may wish to retrieve an item from the cache, but also store a default value if the requested item doesn't exist. You may do this using the Cache::remember method:

```
$value = Cache::remember('users', $minutes, function()
{
    return DB::table('users')->get();
});
```

You may also combine the remember and forever methods:

```
$value = Cache::rememberForever('users', function()
{
    return DB::table('users')->get();
}):
```

Note that all items stored in the cache are serialized, so you are free to store any type of data.

#### **Pulling An Item From The Cache**

If you need to retrieve an item from the cache and then delete it, you may use the pull method:

```
$value = Cache::pull('key');
```

### **Removing An Item From The Cache**

```
Cache::forget('key');
```

#### **Access Specific Cache Stores**

When using multiple cache stores, you may access them via the store method:

```
$value = Cache::store('foo')->get('key');
```

## **Increments & Decrements**

All drivers except database support the increment and decrement operations:

### **Incrementing A Value**

```
Cache::increment('key');
Cache::increment('key', $amount);
```

### **Decrementing A Value**

```
Cache::decrement('key');
Cache::decrement('key', $amount);
```

# **Cache Tags**

**Note:** Cache tags are not supported when using the file or database cache drivers. Furthermore, when using multiple tags with caches that are stored "forever", performance will be best with a driver such as memcached, which automatically purges stale records.

#### **Accessing A Tagged Cache**

Cache tags allow you to tag related items in the cache, and then flush all caches tagged with a given name. To access a tagged cache, use the tags method.

You may store a tagged cache by passing in an ordered list of tag names as arguments, or as an ordered array of tag names:

```
Cache::tags('people', 'authors')->put('John', $john, $minutes);
Cache::tags(['people', 'artists'])->put('Anne', $anne, $minutes);
```

You may use any cache storage method in combination with tags, including remember, forever, and rememberForever. You may also access cached items from the tagged cache, as well as use the other cache methods such as increment and decrement.

### **Accessing Items In A Tagged Cache**

To access a tagged cache, pass the same ordered list of tags used to save it.

```
$anne = Cache::tags('people', 'artists')->get('Anne');
$john = Cache::tags(['people', 'authors'])->get('John');
```

You may flush all items tagged with a name or list of names. For example, this statement would remove all caches tagged with either people, authors, or both. So, both "Anne" and "John" would be removed from the cache:

```
Cache::tags('people', 'authors')->flush();
```

In contrast, this statement would remove only caches tagged with authors, so "John" would be removed, but not "Anne".

```
Cache::tags('authors')->flush();
```

### **Cache Events**

To execute code on every cache operation, you may listen for the events fired by the cache:

## **Database Cache**

When using the database cache driver, you will need to setup a table to contain the cache items. You'll find an example schema declaration for the table below:

```
Schema::create('cache', function($table)
{
    $table->string('key')->unique();
    $table->text('value');
    $table->integer('expiration');
});
```

#### **Memcached Cache**

Using the Memcached cache requires the <u>Memcached PECL package</u> to be installed.

The default configuration uses TCP/IP based on Memcached::addServer:

```
'memcached' => array(
    array('host' => '127.0.0.1', 'port' => 11211, 'weight' => 100),
),
```

You may also set the host option to a UNIX socket path. If you do this, the port option should be set to 0:

```
'memcached' => array(
    array('host' => '/var/run/memcached/memcached.sock', 'port' => 0,
'weight' => 100),
),
```

#### **Redis Cache**

See Redis Configuration

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# **Collections**

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### Introduction

The <code>illuminate\support\collection</code> class provides a fluent, convenient wrapper for working with arrays of data. For example, check out the following code. We'll use the <code>collect</code> helper to create a new collection instance from the array:

```
$collection = collect(['taylor', 'abigail', null])->map(function($name)
{
    return strtoupper($name);
})
->reject(function($name)
{
    return empty($name);
});
```

As you can see, the collection class allows you to chain its methods to perform fluent mapping and reducing of the underlying array. In general, every collection method returns an entirely new collection instance. To dig in further, keep reading!

# **Basic Usage**

## **Creating Collections**

As mentioned above, the collect helper will return a new Illuminate\Support\Collection instance for the given array. You may also use the make command on the collection class:

```
$collection = collect([1, 2, 3]);
$collection = Collection::make([1, 2, 3]);
```

Of course, collections of <u>Eloquent</u> objects are always returned as collection instances; however, you should feel free to use the collection class wherever it is convenient for your application.

### **Explore The Collection**

Instead of listing all of the methods (there are a lot) the Collection makes available, check out the <u>API documentation for the class!</u>

#### **Services**

## **Command Bus**

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### Introduction

The Laravel command bus provides a convenient method of encapsulating tasks your application needs to perform into simple, easy to understand "commands". To help us understand the purpose of commands, let's pretend we are building an application that allows users to purchase podcasts.

When a user purchases a podcast, there are a variety of things that need to happen. For example, we may need to charge the user's credit card, add a record to our database that represents the purchase, and send a confirmation e-mail of the purchase. Perhaps we also need to perform some kind of validation as to whether the user is allowed to purchase podcasts.

We could put all of this logic inside a controller method; however, this has several disadvantages. The first disadvantage is that our controller probably handles several other incoming HTTP actions, and including complicated logic in each controller method will soon bloat our controller and make it harder to read. Secondly, it is difficult to re-use the purchase podcast logic outside of the controller context. Thirdly, it is more difficult to unit-test the command as we must also generate a stub HTTP request and make a full request to the application to test the purchase podcast logic.

Instead of putting this logic in the controller, we may choose to encapsulate it within a "command" object, such as a PurchasePodcast command.

# **Creating Commands**

The Artisan CLI can generate new command classes using the make:command command:

```
php artisan make:command PurchasePodcast
```

The newly generated class will be placed in the app/commands directory. By default, the command contains two methods: the constructor and the handle method. Of course, the constructor allows you to pass any relevant objects to the command, while the handle method executes the command. For example:

```
$this->podcast = $podcast;
}

/**
    * Execute the command.
    *
    * @return void
    */
public function handle()
{
    // Handle the logic to purchase the podcast...
    event(new PodcastWasPurchased($this->user, $this->podcast));
}
```

The handle method may also type-hint dependencies, and they will be automatically injected by the <u>service container</u>. For example:

```
/**
  * Execute the command.
  *
  * @return void
  */
public function handle(BillingGateway $billing)
{
     // Handle the logic to purchase the podcast...
```

# **Dispatching Commands**

So, once we have created a command, how do we dispatch it? Of course, we could call the handle method directly; however, dispatching the command through the Laravel "command bus" has several advantages which we will discuss later.

If you glance at your application's base controller, you will see the DispatchesCommands trait. This trait allows us to call the dispatch method from any of our controllers. For example:

```
public function purchasePodcast($podcastId)
{
     $this->dispatch(
         new PurchasePodcast(Auth::user(), Podcast::findOrFail($podcastId))
     );
}
```

The command bus will take care of executing the command and calling the IoC container to inject any needed dependencies into the handle method.

You may add the <code>illuminate\Foundation\Bus\Dispatchescommands</code> trait to any class you wish. If you would like to receive a command bus instance through the constructor of any of your classes, you may type-hint the <code>illuminate\Contracts\Bus\Dispatcher</code> interface. Finally, you may also use the <code>Bus</code> facade to quickly dispatch commands:

```
Bus::dispatch(
    new PurchasePodcast(Auth::user(), Podcast::findOrFail($podcastId))
);
```

## **Mapping Command Properties From Requests**

It is very common to map HTTP request variables into commands. So, instead of forcing you to do this manually for each request, Laravel provides some helper methods to make it a cinch. Let's take a look at the dispatchFrom method available on the DispatchesCommands trait:

```
$this->dispatchFrom('Command\Class\Name', $request);
```

This method will examine the constructor of the command class it is given, and then extract variables from the HTTP request (or any other ArrayAccess object) to fill the needed constructor parameters of the command. So, if our command class accepts a firstName variable in its constructor, the command bus will attempt to pull the firstName parameter from the HTTP request.

You may also pass an array as the third argument to the dispatchFrom method. This array will be used to fill any constructor parameters that are not available on the request:

```
$this->dispatchFrom('Command\Class\Name', $request, [
    'firstName' => 'Taylor',
]):
```

# **Queued Commands**

The command bus is not just for synchronous jobs that run during the current request cycle, but also serves as the primary way to build queued jobs in Laravel. So, how do we instruct command bus to queue our job for background processing instead of running it synchronously? It's easy. Firstly, when generating a new command, just add the --queued flag to the command:

```
php artisan make:command PurchasePodcast --queued
```

As you will see, this adds a few more features to the command, namely the Illuminate\Contracts\Queue\ShouldBeQueued interface and the SerializesModels trait. These instruct the command bus to queue the command, as well as gracefully serialize and deserialize any Eloquent models your command stores as properties.

If you would like to convert an existing command into a queued command, simply implement the <code>Illuminate\Contracts\Queue\ShouldBeQueued</code> interface on the class manually. It contains no methods, and merely serves as a "marker interface" for the dispatcher.

Then, just write your command normally. When you dispatch it to the bus that bus will automatically queue the command for background processing. It doesn't get any easier than that.

For more information on interacting with queued commands, view the full <u>queue</u> <u>documentation</u>.

# **Command Pipeline**

Before a command is dispatched to a handler, you may pass it through other classes in a "pipeline". Command pipes work just like HTTP middleware, except for your commands! For example, a command pipe could wrap the entire command operation within a database transaction, or simply log its execution.

To add a pipe to your bus, call the pipeThrough method of the dispatcher from your App\Providers\BusServiceProvider::boot method:

```
$dispatcher->pipeThrough(['UseDatabaseTransactions', 'LogCommand']);
```

A command pipe is defined with a handle method, just like a middleware:

```
class UseDatabaseTransactions {
   public function handle($command, $next)
```

```
{
    return DB::transaction(function() use ($command, $next)
    {
        return $next($command);
    });
}
```

Command pipe classes are resolved through the <u>IoC container</u>, so feel free to type-hint any dependencies you need within their constructors.

You may even define a closure as a command pipe:

```
$dispatcher->pipeThrough([function($command, $next)
{
    return DB::transaction(function() use ($command, $next)
    {
        return $next($command);
    });
}]);
```

# **Extending The Framework**

- Managers & Factories
- Cache
- Session
- Authentication
- Service Container Based Extension

# **Managers & Factories**

Laravel has several Manager classes that manage the creation of driver-based components. These include the cache, session, authentication, and queue components. The manager class is responsible for creating a particular driver implementation based on the application's configuration. For example, the Cachemanager class can create APC, Memcached, File, and various other implementations of cache drivers.

Each of these managers includes an extend method which may be used to easily inject new driver resolution functionality into the manager. We'll cover each of these managers below, with examples of how to inject custom driver support into each of them.

**Note:** Take a moment to explore the various Manager classes that ship with Laravel, such as the Cachemanager and SessionManager. Reading through these classes will give you a more thorough understanding of how Laravel works under the hood. All manager classes extend the Illuminate\Support\Manager base class, which provides some helpful, common functionality for each manager.

# Cache

To extend the Laravel cache facility, we will use the extend method on the CacheManager, which is used to bind a custom driver resolver to the manager, and is common across all manager classes. For example, to register a new cache driver named "mongo", we would do the following:

```
Cache::extend('mongo', function($app)
{
    return Cache::repository(new MongoStore);
});
```

The first argument passed to the extend method is the name of the driver. This will correspond to your driver option in the config/cache.php configuration file. The second argument is a Closure that should return an <code>illuminate\Cache\Repository</code> instance. The Closure will be passed an <code>sapp</code> instance, which is an instance of <code>Illuminate\Foundation\Application</code> and a service container.

The call to Cache::extend could be done in the boot method of the default App\Providers\AppServiceProvider that ships with fresh Laravel applications, or you may create your own service provider to house the extension - just don't forget to register the provider in the config/app.php provider array.

To create our custom cache driver, we first need to implement the <code>Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Store</code> contract. So, our MongoDB cache implementation would look something like this:

```
class MongoStore implements Illuminate\Contracts\Cache\Store {
   public function get($key) {}
   public function put($key, $value, $minutes) {}
   public function increment($key, $value = 1) {}
   public function decrement($key, $value = 1) {}
   public function forever($key, $value) {}
   public function forget($key) {}
   public function flush() {}
}
```

We just need to implement each of these methods using a MongoDB connection. Once our implementation is complete, we can finish our custom driver registration:

```
Cache::extend('mongo', function($app)
{
    return Cache::repository(new MongoStore);
});
```

If you're wondering where to put your custom cache driver code, consider making it available on Packagist! Or, you could create an Extensions namespace within your app directory. However, keep in mind that Laravel does not have a rigid application structure and you are free to organize your application according to your preferences.

### Session

Extending Laravel with a custom session driver is just as easy as extending the cache system. Again, we will use the extend method to register our custom code:

```
Session::extend('mongo', function($app)
{
    // Return implementation of SessionHandlerInterface
}):
```

### Where To Extend The Session

You should place your session extension code in the boot method of your AppServiceProvider.

### **Writing The Session Extension**

Note that our custom session driver should implement the SessionHandlerInterface. This interface contains just a few simple methods we need to implement. A stubbed MongoDB implementation would look something like this:

```
class MongoHandler implements SessionHandlerInterface {
   public function open($savePath, $sessionName) {}
   public function close() {}
   public function read($sessionId) {}
   public function write($sessionId, $data) {}
   public function destroy($sessionId) {}
   public function gc($lifetime) {}
}
```

Since these methods are not as readily understandable as the cache storeInterface, let's quickly cover what each of the methods do:

• The open method would typically be used in file based session store systems. Since Laravel ships with a file session driver, you will almost

never need to put anything in this method. You can leave it as an empty stub. It is simply a fact of poor interface design (which we'll discuss later) that PHP requires us to implement this method.

- The close method, like the open method, can also usually be disregarded.
   For most drivers, it is not needed.
- The read method should return the string version of the session data associated with the given \$sessionId. There is no need to do any serialization or other encoding when retrieving or storing session data in your driver, as Laravel will perform the serialization for you.
- The write method should write the given \$data string associated with the \$sessionId to some persistent storage system, such as MongoDB, Dynamo, etc
- The destroy method should remove the data associated with the \$sessionId from persistent storage.
- The gc method should destroy all session data that is older than the given \$lifetime, which is a UNIX timestamp. For self-expiring systems like Memcached and Redis, this method may be left empty.

Once the SessionHandlerInterface has been implemented, we are ready to register it with the Session manager:

```
Session::extend('mongo', function($app)
{
    return new MongoHandler;
});
```

Once the session driver has been registered, we may use the mongo driver in our config/session.php configuration file.

Note: Remember, if you write a custom session handler, share it on Packagist!

# Authentication

Authentication may be extended the same way as the cache and session facilities. Again, we will use the extend method we have become familiar with:

```
Auth::extend('riak', function($app)
{
    // Return implementation of Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\UserProvider
});
```

The userProvider implementations are only responsible for fetching a Illuminate\Contracts\Auth\Authenticatable implementation out of a persistent storage system, such as MySQL, Riak, etc. These two interfaces allow the Laravel authentication mechanisms to continue functioning regardless of how the user data is stored or what type of class is used to represent it.

Let's take a look at the UserProvider contract:

```
interface UserProvider {
    public function retrieveById($identifier);
    public function retrieveByToken($identifier, $token);
    public function updateRememberToken(Authenticatable $user, $token);
    public function retrieveByCredentials(array $credentials);
    public function validateCredentials(Authenticatable $user, array $credentials);
}
```

The retrieveById function typically receives a numeric key representing the user, such as an auto-incrementing ID from a MySQL database. The Authenticatable

implementation matching the ID should be retrieved and returned by the method.

The retrieveByToken function retrieves a user by their unique \$identifier and "remember me" \$token, stored in a field remember\_token. As with the previous method, the Authenticatable implementation should be returned.

The updateRememberToken method updates the <code>\$user</code> field <code>remember\_token</code> with the new <code>\$token</code>. The new token can be either a fresh token, assigned on successful "remember me" login attempt, or a null when user is logged out.

The retrieveByCredentials method receives the array of credentials passed to the Auth::attempt method when attempting to sign into an application. The method should then "query" the underlying persistent storage for the user matching those credentials. Typically, this method will run a query with a "where" condition on \$credentials['username']. The method should then return an implementation of UserInterface. This method should not attempt to do any password validation or authentication.

The validatecredentials method should compare the given suser with the scredentials to authenticate the user. For example, this method might compare the suser->getAuthPassword() string to a Hash::make of scredentials['password']. This method should only validate the user's credentials and return boolean.

Now that we have explored each of the methods on the UserProvider, let's take a look at the Authenticatable. Remember, the provider should return implementations of this interface from the retrieveById and retrieveByCredentials methods:

```
interface Authenticatable {
   public function getAuthIdentifier();
   public function getAuthPassword();
   public function getRememberToken();
   public function setRememberToken($value);
   public function getRememberTokenName();
}
```

This interface is simple. The <code>getAuthIdentifier</code> method should return the "primary key" of the user. In a MySQL back-end, again, this would be the auto-incrementing primary key. The <code>getAuthPassword</code> should return the user's hashed password. This interface allows the authentication system to work with any User class, regardless of what ORM or storage abstraction layer you are using. By default, Laravel includes a <code>user</code> class in the <code>app</code> directory which implements this interface, so you may consult this class for an implementation example.

Finally, once we have implemented the UserProvider, we are ready to register our extension with the Auth facade:

```
Auth::extend('riak', function($app)
{
    return new RiakUserProvider($app['riak.connection']);
});
```

After you have registered the driver with the extend method, you switch to the new driver in your config/auth.php configuration file.

## **Service Container Based Extension**

Almost every service provider included with the Laravel framework binds objects into the service container. You can find a list of your application's service providers

in the config/app.php configuration file. As you have time, you should skim through each of these provider's source code. By doing so, you will gain a much better understanding of what each provider adds to the framework, as well as what keys are used to bind various services into the service container.

For example, the HashserviceProvider binds a hash key into the service container, which resolves into a Illuminate\Hashing\BeryptHasher instance. You can easily extend and override this class within your own application by overriding this binding. For example:

```
<?php namespace App\Providers;

class SnappyHashProvider extends \Illuminate\Hashing\HashServiceProvider {
    public function boot()
    {
        parent::boot();
        $this->app->bindShared('hash', function()
        {
            return new \Snappy\Hashing\ScryptHasher;
        });
    }
}
```

Note that this class extends the HashserviceProvider, not the default serviceProvider base class. Once you have extended the service provider, swap out the HashserviceProvider in your config/app.php configuration file with the name of your extended provider.

This is the general method of extending any core class that is bound in the container. Essentially every core class is bound in the container in this fashion, and can be overridden. Again, reading through the included framework service providers will familiarize you with where various classes are bound into the container, and what keys they are bound by. This is a great way to learn more about how Laravel is put together.

# **Laravel Elixir**

- Introduction
- Installation & Setup
- <u>Usage</u>
- Gulp
- Extensions

# Introduction

Laravel Elixir provides a clean, fluent API for defining basic <u>Gulp</u> tasks for your Laravel application. Elixir supports several common CSS and JavaScript preprocessors, and even testing tools.

If you've ever been confused about how to get started with Gulp and asset compilation, you will love Laravel Elixir!

# **Installation & Setup**

# **Installing Node**

Before triggering Elixir, you must first ensure that Node.js is installed on your machine.

node -v

By default, Laravel Homestead includes everything you need; however, if you aren't using Vagrant, then you can easily install Node by visiting their download page. Don't worry, it's quick and easy!

### Gulp

Next, you'll want to pull in Gulp as a global NPM package like so:

```
npm install --global gulp
```

### **Laravel Elixir**

The only remaining step is to install Elixir! With a new install of Laravel, you'll find a package.json file in the root. Think of this like your composer.json file, except it defines Node dependencies instead of PHP. You may install the dependencies it references by running:

npm install

# Usage

Now that you've installed Elixir, you'll be compiling and concatenating in no time! The gulpfile.js file in your project's root directory contains all of your Elixir tasks.

### **Compile Less**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.less("app.less");
});
```

In the example above, Elixir assumes that your Less files are stored in resources/assets/less.

#### **Compile Multiple Less Files**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.less([
        'app.less',
        'something-else.less'
]);
});
```

#### **Compile Sass**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.sass("app.scss");
}):
```

This assumes that your Sass files are stored in resources/assets/sass.

By default, Elixir, underneath the hood, uses the LibSass library for compilation. In some instances, it might prove advantageous to instead leverage the Ruby version, which, though slower, is more feature rich. Assuming that you have both Ruby and the Sass gem installed (gem install sass), you may enable Ruby-mode, like so:

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.rubySass("app.sass");
});
```

# **Compile Without Source Maps**

```
elixir.config.sourcemaps = false;
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.sass("app.scss");
});
```

Source maps are enabled out of the box. As such, for each file that is compiled, you'll find a companion \*.css.map file in the same directory. This mapping allows you to, when debugging, trace your compiled stylesheet selectors back to your original Sass or Less partials! Should you need to disable this functionality, however, the code sample above will do the trick.

### Compile CoffeeScript

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.coffee();
});
```

This assumes that your CoffeeScript files are stored in resources/assets/coffee.

## Compile All Less and CoffeeScript

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.less()
    .coffee();
}):
```

### **Trigger PHPUnit Tests**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.phpUnit();
});
```

## **Trigger PHPSpec Tests**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.phpSpec();
});
```

### **Combine Stylesheets**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.styles([
         "normalize.css",
         "main.css"
    ]);
});
```

Paths passed to this method are relative to the resources/assets/css directory.

### Combine Stylesheets and Save to a Custom Directory

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.styles([
        "normalize.css",
        "main.css"
    ], 'public/build/css/everything.css');
});
```

#### **Combine Stylesheets From A Custom Base Directory**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.styles([
        "normalize.css",
        "main.css"
    ], 'public/build/css/everything.css', 'public/css');
});
```

The third argument to both the styles and scripts methods determines the relative directory for all paths passed to the methods.

## Combine All Styles in a Directory

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.stylesIn("public/css");
});
```

# **Combine Scripts**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.scripts([
         "jquery.js",
         "app.js"
    ]);
});
```

Again, this assumes all paths are relative to the resources/assets/js directory.

### Combine All Scripts in a Directory

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.scriptsIn("public/js/some/directory");
});
```

### **Combine Multiple Sets of Scripts**

#### Version / Hash A File

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.version("css/all.css");
});
```

This will append a unique hash to the filename, allowing for cache-busting. For example, the generated file name will look something like: all-16d570a7.css.

Within your views, you may use the elixir() function to load the appropriately hashed asset. Here's an example:

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="{{ elixir("css/all.css") }}">
```

Behind the scenes, the elixir() function will determine the name of the hashed file that should be included. Don't you feel the weight lifting off your shoulders already?

You may also pass an array to the version method to version multiple files:

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.version(["css/all.css", "js/app.js"]);
});
link rel="stylesheet" href="{{ elixir("css/all.css") }}">
<script src="{{ elixir("js/app.js") }}"></script>
```

#### Copy a File to a New Location

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.copy('vendor/foo/bar.css', 'public/css/bar.css');
});
```

#### **Copy an Entire Directory to a New Location**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.copy('vendor/package/views', 'resources/views');
});
```

## **Trigger Browserify**

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.browserify('index.js');
});
```

Want to require modules in the browser? Hoping to use EcmaScript 6 sooner than later? Need a built-in JSX transformer? If so, <u>Browserify</u>, along with the browserify Elixir task, will handle the job nicely.

This task assumes that your scripts are stored in resources/assets/js, though you're free to override the default.

#### **Method Chaining**

Of course, you may chain almost all of Elixir's methods together to build your recipe:

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.less("app.less")
        .coffee()
        .phpUnit()
        .version("css/bootstrap.css");
});
```

# Gulp

Now that you've told Elixir which tasks to execute, you only need to trigger Gulp from the command line.

#### **Execute All Registered Tasks Once**

gulp

#### **Watch Assets For Changes**

gulp watch

### **Only Compile Scripts**

gulp scripts

#### **Only Compile Styles**

gulp styles

#### **Watch Tests And PHP Classes for Changes**

```
gulp tdd
```

**Note:** All tasks will assume a development environment, and will exclude minification. For production, use gulp --production.

### **Custom Tasks and Extensions**

Sometimes, you'll want to hook your own Gulp tasks into Elixir. Perhaps you have a special bit of functionality that you'd like Elixir to mix and watch for you. No problem!

As an example, imagine that you have a general task that simply speaks a bit of text when called.

```
gulp.task("speak", function() {
    var message = "Tea...Earl Grey...Hot";

    gulp.src("").pipe(shell("say " + message));
});
```

Easy enough. From the command line, you may, of course, call gulp speak to trigger the task. To add it to Elixir, however, use the mix.task() method:

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.task('speak');
});
```

That's it! Now, each time you run Gulp, your custom "speak" task will be executed alongside any other Elixir tasks that you've mixed in. To additionally register a

watcher, so that your custom tasks will be re-triggered each time one or more files are modified, you may pass a regular expression as the second argument.

```
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.task('speak', 'app/**/*.php');
});
```

By adding this second argument, we've instructed Elixir to re-trigger the "speak" task each time a PHP file in the "app/" directory is saved.

For even more flexibility, you can create full Elixir extensions. Using the previous "speak" example, you may write an extension, like so:

```
var gulp = require("gulp");
var shell = require("gulp-shell");
var elixir = require("laravel-elixir");
elixir.extend("speak", function(message) {
    gulp.task("speak", function() {
        gulp.src("").pipe(shell("say " + message));
    });
    return this.queueTask("speak");
});
```

Notice that we extend Elixir's API by passing the name that we will reference within our Gulpfile, as well as a callback function that will create the Gulp task.

As before, if you want your custom task to be monitored, then register a watcher.

```
this.registerWatcher("speak", "app/**/*.php");
```

This lines designates that when any file that matches the regular expression, app/\*\*/\*.php, is modified, we want to trigger the speak task.

That's it! You may either place this at the top of your Gulpfile, or instead extract it to a custom tasks file. If you choose the latter approach, simply require it into your Gulpfile, like so:

```
require("./custom-tasks")
You're done! Now, you can mix it in.
elixir(function(mix) {
    mix.speak("Tea, Earl Grey, Hot");
}):
```

With this addition, each time you trigger Gulp, Picard will request some tea.

# **Encryption**

- Introduction
- Basic Usage

# Introduction

Laravel provides facilities for strong AES encryption via the Mcrypt PHP extension.

# **Basic Usage**

## **Encrypting A Value**

```
$encrypted = Crypt::encrypt('secret');
```

**Note:** Be sure to set a 16, 24, or 32 character random string in the key option of the config/app.php file. Otherwise, encrypted values will not be secure.

# **Decrypting A Value**

```
$decrypted = Crypt::decrypt($encryptedValue);
```

## **Setting The Cipher & Mode**

You may also set the cipher and mode used by the encrypter:

```
Crypt::setMode('ctr');
Crypt::setCipher($cipher);
```

# **Envoy Task Runner**

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- Installation
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- Multiple Servers
- Parallel Execution
- Task Macros
- Notifications
- **Updating Envoy**

# Introduction

<u>Laravel Envoy</u> provides a clean, minimal syntax for defining common tasks you run on your remote servers. Using a Blade style syntax, you can easily setup tasks for deployment, Artisan commands, and more.

**Note:** Envoy requires PHP version 5.4 or greater, and only runs on Mac / Linux operating systems.

# **Installation**

First, install Envoy using the Composer global command:

```
composer global require "laravel/envoy=~1.0"
```

Make sure to place the ~/.composer/vendor/bin directory in your PATH so the envoy executable is found when you run the envoy command in your terminal.

Next, create an Envoy.blade.php file in the root of your project. Here's an example to get you started:

```
@servers(['web' => '192.168.1.1'])
@task('foo', ['on' => 'web'])
    ls -la
@endtask
```

As you can see, an array of @servers is defined at the top of the file. You can reference these servers in the on option of your task declarations. Within your @task declarations you should place the Bash code that will be run on your server when the task is executed.

The init command may be used to easily create a stub Envoy file:

```
envoy init user@192.168.1.1
```

# **Running Tasks**

To run a task, use the run command of your Envoy installation:

```
envoy run foo
```

If needed, you may pass variables into the Envoy file using command line switches:

```
envoy run deploy --branch=master
```

You may use the options via the Blade syntax you are used to:

```
@servers(['web' => '192.168.1.1'])
@task('deploy', ['on' => 'web'])
    cd site
    git pull origin {{ $branch }}
    php artisan migrate
@endtask
```

### **Bootstrapping**

You may use the @setup directive to declare variables and do general PHP work inside the Envoy file:

```
@setup
    $now = new DateTime();

$environment = isset($env) ? $env : "testing";
@endsetup
```

You may also use @include to include any PHP files:

```
@include('vendor/autoload.php');
```

### **Confirming Tasks Before Running**

If you would like to be prompted for confirmation before running a given task on your servers, you may use the confirm directive:

```
@task('deploy', ['on' => 'web', 'confirm' => true])
   cd site
   git pull origin {{ $branch }}
   php artisan migrate
@endtask
```

# **Multiple Servers**

You may easily run a task across multiple servers. Simply list the servers in the task declaration:

```
@servers(['web-1' => '192.168.1.1', 'web-2' => '192.168.1.2'])
@task('deploy', ['on' => ['web-1', 'web-2']])
    cd site
    git pull origin {{ $branch }}
    php artisan migrate
@endtask
```

By default, the task will be executed on each server serially. Meaning, the task will finish running on the first server before proceeding to execute on the next server.

# **Parallel Execution**

If you would like to run a task across multiple servers in parallel, simply add the parallel option to your task declaration:

```
@servers(['web-1' => '192.168.1.1', 'web-2' => '192.168.1.2'])
@task('deploy', ['on' => ['web-1', 'web-2'], 'parallel' => true])
    cd site
    git pull origin {{ $branch }}
    php artisan migrate
@endtask
```

# **Task Macros**

Macros allow you to define a set of tasks to be run in sequence using a single command. For instance:

```
@servers(['web' => '192.168.1.1'])
@macro('deploy')
    foo    bar
@endmacro
@task('foo')
    echo "HELLO"
@endtask
@task('bar')
    echo "WORLD"
@endtask
```

The deploy macro can now be run via a single, simple command:

envoy run deploy

# **Notifications**

#### **HipChat**

After running a task, you may send a notification to your team's HipChat room using the simple @hipchat directive:

```
@servers(['web' => '192.168.1.1'])
@task('foo', ['on' => 'web'])
    ls -la
@endtask
@after
    @hipchat('token', 'room', 'Envoy')
@endafter
```

You can also specify a custom message to the hipchat room. Any variables declared in @setup or included with @include will be available for use in the message:

```
@after
   @hipchat('token', 'room', 'Envoy', "$task ran on [$environment]")
@endafter
```

This is an amazingly simple way to keep your team notified of the tasks being run on the server.

### Slack

The following syntax may be used to send a notification to Slack:

```
@after
    @slack('hook', 'channel', 'message')
@endafter
```

You may retrieve your webhook URL by creating an Incoming Webhooks integration on Slack's website. The hook argument should be the entire webhook URL provided by the Incoming Webhooks Slack Integration. For example:

You may provide one of the following for the channel argument:

- To send the notification to a channel: #channel
- To send the notification to a user: @user

If no channel argument is provided the default channel will be used.

Note: Slack notifications will only be sent if all tasks complete successfully.

# **Updating Envoy**

To update Envoy, simply use Composer:

composer global update

# **Errors & Logging**

- Configuration
- Handling Errors
- HTTP Exceptions
- <u>Logging</u>

# Configuration

The logging facilities for your application are configured in the Illuminate\Foundation\Bootstrap\ConfigureLogging bootstrapper class. This class utilizes the log configuration option from your config/app.php configuration file.

By default, the logger is configured to use daily log files; however, you may customize this behavior as needed. Since Laravel uses the popular Monolog logging library, you can take advantage of the variety of handlers that Monolog offers.

For example, if you wish to use a single log file instead of daily files, you can make the following change to your config/app.php configuration file:

```
'log' => 'single'
```

Out of the box, Laravel supported single, daily, syslog and errorlog logging modes. However, you are free to customize the logging for your application as you wish by overriding the configureLogging bootstrapper class.

### **Error Detail**

The amount of error detail your application displays through the browser is controlled by the app.debug configuration option in your config/app.php configuration file. By default, this configuration option is set to respect the APP\_DEBUG environment variable, which is stored in your .env file.

For local development, you should set the APP\_DEBUG environment variable to true. In your production environment, this value should always be false.

# **Handling Errors**

All exceptions are handled by the App\Exceptions\Handler class. This class contains two methods: report and render.

The report method is used to log exceptions or send them to an external service like <a href="BugSnag">BugSnag</a>. By default, the report method simply passes the exception to the base implementation on the parent class where the exception is logged. However, you are free to log exceptions however you wish. If you need to report different types of exceptions in different ways, you may use the PHP instanceof comparison operator:

```
**

* Report or log an exception.

*

* This is a great spot to send exceptions to Sentry, Bugsnag, etc.

* @param \Exception $e

* @return void
```

```
*/
public function report(Exception $e)
{
    if ($e instanceof CustomException)
    {
        //
    }
    return parent::report($e);
}
```

The render method is responsible for converting the exception into an HTTP response that should be sent back to the browser. By default, the exception is passed to the base class which generates a response for you. However, you are free to check the exception type or return your own custom response.

The dontReport property of the exception handler contains an array of exception types that will not be logged. By default, exceptions resulting from 404 errors are not written to your log files. You may add other exception types to this array as needed.

# **HTTP Exceptions**

Some exceptions describe HTTP error codes from the server. For example, this may be a "page not found" error (404), an "unauthorized error" (401) or even a developer generated 500 error. In order to return such a response, use the following:

```
abort(404);
```

Optionally, you may provide a response:

```
abort(403, 'Unauthorized action.');
```

This method may be used at any time during the request's lifecycle.

## **Custom 404 Error Page**

To return a custom view for all 404 errors, create a resources/views/errors/404.blade.php file. This view will be served on all 404 errors generated by your application.

# Logging

The Laravel logging facilities provide a simple layer on top of the powerful Monolog library. By default, Laravel is configured to create daily log files for your application which are stored in the storage/logs directory. You may write information to the log like so:

```
Log::info('This is some useful information.');
Log::warning('Something could be going wrong.');
Log::error('Something is really going wrong.');
```

The logger provides the seven logging levels defined in <u>RFC 5424</u>: **debug**, **info**, **notice**, **warning**, **error**, **critical**, and **alert**.

An array of contextual data may also be passed to the log methods:

```
Log::info('Log message', ['context' => 'Other helpful information']);
```

Monolog has a variety of additional handlers you may use for logging. If needed, you may access the underlying Monolog instance being used by Laravel:

```
$monolog = Log::getMonolog();
```

You may also register an event to catch all messages passed to the log:

# **Registering A Log Event Listener**

# **Events**

- Basic Usage
- Queued Event Handlers
- Event Subscribers

# **Basic Usage**

The Laravel event facilities provides a simple observer implementation, allowing you to subscribe and listen for events in your application. Event classes are typically stored in the app/Events directory, while their handlers are stored in app/Handlers/Events.

You can generate a new event class using the Artisan CLI tool:

```
php artisan make:event PodcastWasPurchased
```

#### **Subscribing To An Event**

The EventServiceProvider included with your Laravel application provides a convenient place to register all event handlers. The listen property contains an array of all events (keys) and their handlers (values). Of course, you may add as many events to this array as your application requires. For example, let's add our PodcastWasPurchased event:

```
/**
  * The event handler mappings for the application.
  *
  * @var array
  */
protected $listen = [
    'App\Events\PodcastWasPurchased' => [
        'App\Handlers\Events\EmailPurchaseConfirmation',
    ],
];
```

To generate a handler for an event, use the handler: event Artisan CLI command:

```
php artisan handler:event EmailPurchaseConfirmation --
event=PodcastWasPurchased
```

Of course, manually running the make:event and handler:event commands each time you need a handler or event is cumbersome. Instead, simply add handlers and events to your EventServiceProvider and use the event:generate command. This command will generate any events or handlers that are listed in your EventServiceProvider:

```
php artisan event:generate
```

#### **Firing An Event**

Now we are ready to fire our event using the Event facade:

```
$response = Event::fire(new PodcastWasPurchased($podcast));
```

The fire method returns an array of responses that you can use to control what happens next in your application.

You may also use the event helper to fire an event:

```
event(new PodcastWasPurchased($podcast));
```

#### **Closure Listeners**

You can even listen to events without creating a separate handler class at all. For example, in the boot method of your EventServiceProvider, you could do the following:

```
Event::listen('App\Events\PodcastWasPurchased', function($event)
{
    // Handle the event...
});
```

#### **Stopping The Propagation Of An Event**

Sometimes, you may wish to stop the propagation of an event to other listeners. You may do so using by returning false from your handler:

```
Event::listen('App\Events\PodcastWasPurchased', function($event)
{
    // Handle the event...
    return false;
});
```

# **Queued Event Handlers**

Need to <u>queue</u> an event handler? It couldn't be any easier. When generating the handler, simply use the --queued flag:

```
php artisan handler:event SendPurchaseConfirmation --
event=PodcastWasPurchased --queued
```

This will generate a handler class that implements the

Illuminate\Contracts\Queue\ShouldBeQueued interface. That's it! Now when this handler is called for an event, it will be queued automatically by the event dispatcher.

If no exceptions are thrown when the handler is executed by the queue, the queued job will be deleted automatically after it has processed. If you need to access the queued job's delete and release methods manually, you may do so. The <code>Illuminate\Queue\InteractsWithQueue</code> trait, which is included by default on queued handlers, gives you access to these methods:

```
public function handle(PodcastWasPurchased $event)
{
    if (true)
    {
        $this->release(30);
    }
}
```

If you have an existing handler that you would like to convert to a queued handler, simply add the <code>ShouldBeQueued</code> interface to the class manually.

# **Event Subscribers**

## **Defining An Event Subscriber**

Event subscribers are classes that may subscribe to multiple events from within the class itself. Subscribers should define a subscribe method, which will be passed an

event dispatcher instance:

```
class UserEventHandler {
    * Handle user login events.
   public function onUserLogin($event)
    {
        //
   }
    * Handle user logout events.
   public function onUserLogout($event)
    {
       //
    * Register the listeners for the subscriber.
    * @param Illuminate\Events\Dispatcher $events
    * @return void
   public function subscribe($events)
        $events->listen('App\Events\UserLoggedIn',
'UserEventHandler@onUserLogin');
        $events->listen('App\Events\UserLoggedOut',
'UserEventHandler@onUserLogout');
   }
}
```

#### **Registering An Event Subscriber**

Once the subscriber has been defined, it may be registered with the Event class.

```
$subscriber = new UserEventHandler;
Event::subscribe($subscriber);
```

You may also use the <u>service container</u> to resolve your subscriber. To do so, simply pass the name of your subscriber to the <u>subscribe</u> method:

```
Event::subscribe('UserEventHandler');
```

# Filesystem / Cloud Storage

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# Introduction

Laravel provides a wonderful filesystem abstraction thanks to the <u>Flysystem PHP</u> package by Frank de Jonge. The Laravel Flysystem integration provides simple to use drivers for working with local filesystems, Amazon S3, and Rackspace Cloud Storage. Even better, it's amazingly simple to switch between these storage options as the API remains the same for each system!

# Configuration

The filesystem configuration file is located at config/filesystems.php. Within this file you may configure all of your "disks". Each disk represents a particular storage driver and storage location. Example configurations for each supported driver is included in the configuration file. So, simply modify the configuration to reflect your storage preferences and credentials!

Before using the S3 or Rackspace drivers, you will need to install the appropriate package via Composer:

```
    Amazon S3: league/flysystem-aws-s3-v2 ~1.0
    Rackspace: league/flysystem-rackspace ~1.0
```

Of course, you may configure as many disks as you like, and may even have multiple disks that use the same driver.

When using the local driver, note that all file operations are relative to the root directory defined in your configuration file. By default, this value is set to the storage/app directory. Therefore, the following method would store a file in storage/app/file.txt:

```
Storage::disk('local')->put('file.txt', 'Contents');
```

# **Basic Usage**

The storage facade may be used to interact with any of your configured disks. Alternatively, you may type-hint the <code>illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Factory</code> contract on any class that is resolved via the Laravel <a href="mailto:service container">service container</a>.

#### Retrieving A Particular Disk

```
$disk = Storage::disk('s3');
$disk = Storage::disk('local');
```

# **Determining If A File Exists**

```
$exists = Storage::disk('s3')->exists('file.jpg');
Calling Methods On The Default Disk
if (Storage::exists('file.jpg'))
    //
Retrieving A File's Contents
$contents = Storage::get('file.jpg');
Setting A File's Contents
Storage::put('file.jpg', $contents);
Prepend To A File
Storage::prepend('file.log', 'Prepended Text');
Append To A File
Storage::append('file.log', 'Appended Text');
Delete A File
Storage::delete('file.jpg');
Storage::delete(['file1.jpg', 'file2.jpg']);
Copy A File To A New Location
Storage::copy('old/file1.jpg', 'new/file1.jpg');
Move A File To A New Location
Storage::move('old/file1.jpg', 'new/file1.jpg');
Get File Size
$size = Storage::size('file1.jpg');
Get The Last Modification Time (UNIX)
$time = Storage::lastModified('file1.jpg');
Get All Files Within A Directory
$files = Storage::files($directory);
// Recursive...
$files = Storage::allFiles($directory);
Get All Directories Within A Directory
$directories = Storage::directories($directory);
// Recursive...
$directories = Storage::allDirectories($directory);
```

#### **Create A Directory**

```
Storage::makeDirectory($directory);
```

#### **Delete A Directory**

Storage::deleteDirectory(\$directory);

# **Custom Filesystems**

Laravel's Flysystem integration provides drivers for several "drivers" out of the box; however, Flysystem is not limited to these and has adapters for many other storage systems. You can create a custom driver if you want to use one of these additional adapters in your Laravel application. Don't worry, it's not too hard!

In order to set up the custom filesystem you will need to create a service provider such as DropboxFilesystemServiceProvider. In the provider's boot method, you can inject an instance of the Illuminate\Contracts\Filesystem\Factory contract and call the extend method of the injected instance. Alternatively, you may use the Disk facade's extend method.

The first argument of the extend method is the name of the driver and the second is a Closure that receives the <code>\$app</code> and <code>\$config</code> variables. The resolver Closure must return an instance of <code>League\Flysystem\Filesystem</code>.

**Note:** The \$config variable will already contain the values defined in config/filesystems.php for the specified disk.

#### **Dropbox Example**

```
<?php namespace App\Providers;</pre>
use Storage:
use League\Flysystem\Filesystem;
use Dropbox\Client as DropboxClient;
use League\Flysystem\Dropbox\DropboxAdapter;
use Illuminate\Support\ServiceProvider;
class DropboxFilesystemServiceProvider extends ServiceProvider {
    public function boot()
        Storage::extend('dropbox', function($app, $config)
            $client = new DropboxClient($config['accessToken'],
$config['clientIdentifier']);
            return new Filesystem(new DropboxAdapter($client));
        });
    }
   public function register()
        //
}
```

# **Hashing**

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# Introduction

The Laravel Hash facade provides secure Bcrypt hashing for storing user passwords. If you are using the AuthController controller that is included with your Laravel application, it will be take care of verifying the Bcrypt password against the unhashed version provided by the user.

Likewise, the user Registrar service that ships with Laravel makes the proper berypt function call to hash stored passwords.

# **Basic Usage**

### Hashing A Password Using Bcrypt

```
$password = Hash::make('secret');
You may also use the bcrypt helper function:
$password = bcrypt('secret');
```

### Verifying A Password Against A Hash

```
if (Hash::check('secret', $hashedPassword))
{
     // The passwords match...
}
```

### Checking If A Password Needs To Be Rehashed

```
if (Hash::needsRehash($hashed))
{
     $hashed = Hash::make('secret');}
```

# **Helper Functions**

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# Arrays

### array\_add

The array\_add function adds a given key / value pair to the array if the given key doesn't already exist in the array.

```
$array = ['foo' => 'bar'];
$array = array_add($array, 'key', 'value');
```

# array\_divide

The array\_divide function returns two arrays, one containing the keys, and the other containing the values of the original array.

```
$array = ['foo' => 'bar'];
list($keys, $values) = array_divide($array);
```

### array\_dot

The array\_dot function flattens a multi-dimensional array into a single level array that uses "dot" notation to indicate depth.

```
$array = ['foo' => ['bar' => 'baz']];
$array = array_dot($array);
// ['foo.bar' => 'baz'];
```

### array\_except

The array\_except method removes the given key / value pairs from the array.

```
$array = array_except($array, ['keys', 'to', 'remove']);
```

# array\_fetch

The array\_fetch method returns a flattened array containing the selected nested element.

```
$array = [
    ['developer' => ['name' => 'Taylor']],
    ['developer' => ['name' => 'Dayle']]
];
$array = array_fetch($array, 'developer.name');
```

```
// ['Taylor', 'Dayle'];
```

# array\_first

The array\_first method returns the first element of an array passing a given truth test

```
$array = [100, 200, 300];
$value = array_first($array, function($key, $value)
{
    return $value >= 150;
});
```

A default value may also be passed as the third parameter:

```
$value = array_first($array, $callback, $default);
```

### array\_last

The array\_last method returns the last element of an array passing a given truth test.

```
$array = [350, 400, 500, 300, 200, 100];
$value = array_last($array, function($key, $value)
{
    return $value > 350;
});
// 500
```

A default value may also be passed as the third parameter:

```
$value = array_last($array, $callback, $default);
```

# array\_flatten

The array\_flatten method will flatten a multi-dimensional array into a single level.

```
$array = ['name' => 'Joe', 'languages' => ['PHP', 'Ruby']];
$array = array_flatten($array);
// ['Joe', 'PHP', 'Ruby'];
```

## array\_forget

The array\_forget method will remove a given key / value pair from a deeply nested array using "dot" notation.

```
$array = ['names' => ['joe' => ['programmer']]];
array_forget($array, 'names.joe');
```

### array\_get

The array\_get method will retrieve a given value from a deeply nested array using "dot" notation.

```
$array = ['names' => ['joe' => ['programmer']]];
$value = array_get($array, 'names.joe');
```

```
$value = array_get($array, 'names.john', 'default');
```

Note: Want something like array get but for objects instead? Use object get.

### array\_only

The array\_only method will return only the specified key / value pairs from the array.

```
$array = ['name' => 'Joe', 'age' => 27, 'votes' => 1];
$array = array_only($array, ['name', 'votes']);
```

# array\_pluck

The array\_pluck method will pluck a list of the given key / value pairs from the array.

```
$array = [['name' => 'Taylor'], ['name' => 'Dayle']];
$array = array_pluck($array, 'name');
// ['Taylor', 'Dayle'];
```

# array\_pull

The array\_pull method will return a given key / value pair from the array, as well as remove it.

```
$array = ['name' => 'Taylor', 'age' => 27];
$name = array_pull($array, 'name');
```

#### array\_set

The array\_set method will set a value within a deeply nested array using "dot" notation.

```
$array = ['names' => ['programmer' => 'Joe']];
array_set($array, 'names.editor', 'Taylor');
```

### array\_sort

The array\_sort method sorts the array by the results of the given Closure.

```
$array = [
    ['name' => 'Jill'],
    ['name' => 'Barry']
];

$array = array_values(array_sort($array, function($value)
{
    return $value['name'];
}));
```

## array\_where

Filter the array using the given Closure.

```
$array = [100, '200', 300, '400', 500];
```

```
$array = array_where($array, function($key, $value)
{
    return is_string($value);
});
// Array ( [1] => 200 [3] => 400 )
```

### head

Return the first element in the array.

```
$first = head($this->returnsArray('foo'));
```

#### last

Return the last element in the array. Useful for method chaining.

```
$last = last($this->returnsArray('foo'));
```

# **Paths**

# app\_path

Get the fully qualified path to the app directory.

```
$path = app_path();
```

# base\_path

Get the fully qualified path to the root of the application install.

# config\_path

Get the fully qualified path to the config directory.

# public\_path

Get the fully qualified path to the public directory.

# storage\_path

Get the fully qualified path to the storage directory.

# **Routing**

### get

Register a new GET route with the router.

```
get('/', function() { return 'Hello World'; });
```

### post

Register a new POST route with the router.

```
post('foo/bar', 'FooController@action');
```

# put

Register a new PUT route with the router.

```
put('foo/bar', 'FooController@action');
```

# patch

Register a new PATCH route with the router.

```
patch('foo/bar', 'FooController@action');
```

### delete

Register a new DELETE route with the router.

```
delete('foo/bar', 'FooController@action');
```

#### resource

Register a new RESTful resource route with the router.

```
resource('foo', 'FooController');
```

# **Strings**

# camel\_case

Convert the given string to camelcase.

```
$camel = camel_case('foo_bar');
// fooBar
```

## class\_basename

Get the class name of the given class, without any namespace names.

```
$class = class_basename('Foo\Bar\Baz');
// Baz
```

#### e

Run htmlentities over the given string, with UTF-8 support.

```
$entities = e('<html>foo</html>');
```

# ends\_with

Determine if the given haystack ends with a given needle.

```
$value = ends_with('This is my name', 'name');
```

# snake\_case

Convert the given string to snake\_case.

```
$snake = snake_case('fooBar');
// foo bar
```

# str\_limit

Limit the number of characters in a string.

```
str_limit($value, $limit = 100, $end = '...')
Example:
$value = str_limit('The PHP framework for web artisans.', 7);
// The PHP...
```

### starts\_with

Determine if the given haystack begins with the given needle.

```
$value = starts_with('This is my name', 'This');
```

# str\_contains

Determine if the given haystack contains the given needle.

```
$value = str_contains('This is my name', 'my');
```

## str finish

Add a single instance of the given needle to the haystack. Remove any extra instances.

```
$string = str_finish('this/string', '/');
// this/string/
```

### str\_is

Determine if a given string matches a given pattern. Asterisks may be used to indicate wildcards.

```
$value = str_is('foo*', 'foobar');
```

# str\_plural

Convert a string to its plural form (English only).

```
$plural = str_plural('car');
```

# str\_random

Generate a random string of the given length.

```
$string = str_random(40);
```

# str\_singular

Convert a string to its singular form (English only).

```
$singular = str_singular('cars');
str_slug
Generate a URL friendly "slug" from a given string.
str_slug($title, $separator);
Example:
$title = str slug("Laravel 5 Framework", "-");
// laravel-5-framework
studly_case
Convert the given string to studlycase.
$value = studly_case('foo_bar');
// FooBar
trans
Translate a given language line. Alias of Lang::get.
$value = trans('validation.required'):
trans choice
Translate a given language line with inflection. Alias of Lang::choice.
$value = trans_choice('foo.bar', $count);
URLs
action
Generate a URL for a given controller action.
$url = action('HomeController@getIndex', $params);
route
Generate a URL for a given named route.
$url = route('routeName', $params);
asset
Generate a URL for an asset.
$url = asset('img/photo.jpg');
secure_asset
Generate a URL for an asset using HTTPS.
echo secure_asset('foo/bar.zip', $title, $attributes = []);
```

# secure\_url

Generate a fully qualified URL to a given path using HTTPS.

```
echo secure_url('foo/bar', $parameters = []);
```

### url

Generate a fully qualified URL to the given path.

```
echo url('foo/bar', $parameters = [], $secure = null);
```

# **Miscellaneous**

# csrf\_token

Get the value of the current CSRF token.

```
$token = csrf_token();
```

### dd

Dump the given variable and end execution of the script.

```
dd($value);
```

### elixir

Get the path to a versioned Elixir file.

```
elixir($file);
```

# env

Gets the value of an environment variable or return a default value.

```
env('APP_ENV', 'production')
```

### event

Fire an event.

```
event('my.event');
```

# value

If the given value is a closure, return the value returned by the closure. Otherwise, return the value.

```
$value = value(function() { return 'bar'; });
```

#### view

Get a View instance for the given view path.

```
return view('auth.login');
```

## with

Return the given object.

\$value = with(new Foo)->doWork();

## Localization

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## Introduction

The Laravel Lang facade provides a convenient way of retrieving strings in various languages, allowing you to easily support multiple languages within your application.

## Language Files

Language strings are stored in files within the resources/lang directory. Within this directory there should be a subdirectory for each language supported by the application.

#### **Example Language File**

Language files simply return an array of keyed strings. For example:

```
<?php
return [
    'welcome' => 'Welcome to our application'
]:
```

#### **Changing The Default Language At Runtime**

The default language for your application is stored in the config/app.php configuration file. You may change the active language at any time using the App::setLocale method:

```
App::setLocale('es');
```

#### **Setting The Fallback Language**

You may also configure a "fallback language", which will be used when the active language does not contain a given language line. Like the default language, the fallback language is also configured in the config/app.php configuration file:

```
'fallback_locale' => 'en',
```

# **Basic Usage**

#### **Retrieving Lines From A Language File**

```
echo Lang::get('messages.welcome');
```

The first segment of the string passed to the get method is the name of the language file, and the second is the name of the line that should be retrieved.

**Note:** If a language line does not exist, the key will be returned by the get method.

You may also use the trans helper function, which is an alias for the Lang: :get method.

```
echo trans('messages.welcome');
```

#### **Making Replacements In Lines**

You may also define place-holders in your language lines:

```
'welcome' => 'Welcome, :name',
```

Then, pass a second argument of replacements to the Lang::get method:

```
echo Lang::get('messages.welcome', ['name' => 'Dayle']);
```

#### **Determine If A Language File Contains A Line**

```
if (Lang::has('messages.welcome'))
{
     //
}
```

### **Pluralization**

Pluralization is a complex problem, as different languages have a variety of complex rules for pluralization. You may easily manage this in your language files. By using a "pipe" character, you may separate the singular and plural forms of a string:

```
'apples' => 'There is one apple | There are many apples',
```

You may then use the Lang::choice method to retrieve the line:

```
echo Lang::choice('messages.apples', 10);
```

You may also supply a locale argument to specify the language. For example, if you want to use the Russian (ru) language:

```
echo Lang::choice('товар|товара|товаров', $count, [], 'ru');
```

Since the Laravel translator is powered by the Symfony Translation component, you may also create more explicit pluralization rules easily:

```
'apples' \Rightarrow '\{0\} There are none[1,19] There are some[20,Inf] There are many',
```

#### **Validation**

For localization for validation errors and messages, take a look at the documentation on Validation.

# **Overriding Package Language Files**

Many packages ship with their own language lines. Instead of hacking the package's core files to tweak these lines, you may override them by placing files in the resources/lang/packages/{locale}/{package} directory. So, for example, if you need to override the English language lines in messages.php for a package named skyrim/hearthfire, you would place a language file at: resources/lang/packages/en/hearthfire/messages.php. In this file you would define only the language lines you wish to override. Any language lines you don't override will still be loaded from the package's language files.

## Mail

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## **Configuration**

Laravel provides a clean, simple API over the popular <u>SwiftMailer</u> library. The mail configuration file is <code>config/mail.php</code>, and contains options allowing you to change your SMTP host, port, and credentials, as well as set a global <code>from</code> address for all messages delivered by the library. You may use any SMTP server you wish. If you wish to use the PHP <code>mail</code> function to send mail, you may change the <code>driver</code> to <code>mail</code> in the configuration file. A <code>sendmail</code> driver is also available.

#### **API Drivers**

Laravel also includes drivers for the Mailgun and Mandrill HTTP APIs. These APIs are often simpler and quicker than the SMTP servers. Both of these drivers require that the Guzzle 5 HTTP library be installed into your application. You can add Guzzle 5 to your project by adding the following line to your composer.json file:

```
"guzzlehttp/guzzle": "~5.0"
```

#### **Mailgun Driver**

To use the Mailgun driver, set the driver option to mailgun in your config/mail.php configuration file. Next, create an config/services.php configuration file if one does not already exist for your project. Verify that it contains the following options:

```
'mailgun' => [
  'domain' => 'your-mailgun-domain',
  'secret' => 'your-mailgun-key',
],
```

#### **Mandrill Driver**

To use the Mandrill driver, set the driver option to mandrill in your config/mail.php configuration file. Next, create an config/services.php configuration file if one does not already exist for your project. Verify that it contains the following options:

```
'mandrill' => [
    'secret' => 'your-mandrill-key',
],
```

### **Log Driver**

If the driver option of your config/mail.php configuration file is set to log, all emails will be written to your log files, and will not actually be sent to any of the recipients. This is primarily useful for quick, local debugging and content verification.

## **Basic Usage**

The Mail::send method may be used to send an e-mail message:

```
Mail::send('emails.welcome', ['key' => 'value'], function($message)
{
    $message->to('foo@example.com', 'John Smith')->subject('Welcome!');
});
```

The first argument passed to the send method is the name of the view that should be used as the e-mail body. The second is the data to be passed to the view, often as an associative array where the data items are available to the view by \$key. The third is a Closure allowing you to specify various options on the e-mail message.

**Note:** A \$message variable is always passed to e-mail views, and allows the inline embedding of attachments. So, it is best to avoid passing a message variable in your view payload.

You may also specify a plain text view to use in addition to an HTML view:

```
Mail::send(['html.view', 'text.view'], $data, $callback);
```

Or, you may specify only one type of view using the html or text keys:

```
Mail::send(['text' => 'view'], $data, $callback);
```

You may specify other options on the e-mail message such as any carbon copies or attachments as well:

```
Mail::send('emails.welcome', $data, function($message)
{
    $message->from('us@example.com', 'Laravel');
    $message->to('foo@example.com')->cc('bar@example.com');
    $message->attach($pathToFile);
});
```

When attaching files to a message, you may also specify a MIME type and / or a display name:

```
$message->attach($pathToFile, ['as' => $display, 'mime' => $mime]);
```

If you just need to e-mail a simple string instead of an entire view, use the raw method:

```
Mail::raw('Text to e-mail', function($message)
{
    $message->from('us@example.com', 'Laravel');
    $message->to('foo@example.com')->cc('bar@example.com');
});
```

**Note:** The message instance passed to a Mail::send Closure extends the SwiftMailer message class, allowing you to call any method on that class to build your e-mail messages.

# **Embedding Inline Attachments**

Embedding inline images into your e-mails is typically cumbersome; however, Laravel provides a convenient way to attach images to your e-mails and retrieving the appropriate CID.

#### **Embedding An Image In An E-Mail View**

#### **Embedding Raw Data In An E-Mail View**

```
<body>
    Here is an image from raw data:
    <img src="<?php echo $message->embedData($data, $name); ?>">
</body>
```

Note that the \$message variable is always passed to e-mail views by the Mail facade.

## **Queueing Mail**

#### Queueing A Mail Message

Since sending e-mail messages can drastically lengthen the response time of your application, many developers choose to queue e-mail messages for background sending. Laravel makes this easy using its built-in <u>unified queue API</u>. To queue a mail message, simply use the queue method on the Mail facade:

```
Mail::queue('emails.welcome', $data, function($message)
{
    $message->to('foo@example.com', 'John Smith')->subject('Welcome!');
});
```

You may also specify the number of seconds you wish to delay the sending of the mail message using the later method:

```
Mail::later(5, 'emails.welcome', $data, function($message)
{
    $message->to('foo@example.com', 'John Smith')->subject('Welcome!');
});
```

If you wish to specify a specific queue or "tube" on which to push the message, you may do so using the queueon and lateron methods:

```
Mail::queueOn('queue-name', 'emails.welcome', $data, function($message)
{
    $message->to('foo@example.com', 'John Smith')->subject('Welcome!');
});
```

# Mail & Local Development

When developing an application that sends e-mail, it's usually desirable to disable the sending of messages from your local or development environment. To do so, you may either call the Mail::pretend method, or set the pretend option in the config/mail.php configuration file to true. When the mailer is in pretend mode, messages will be written to your application's log files instead of being sent to the recipient.

If you would like to actually view the test e-mails, consider using a service like MailTrap.

# **Package Development**

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## Introduction

Packages are the primary way of adding functionality to Laravel. Packages might be anything from a great way to work with dates like <u>Carbon</u>, or an entire BDD testing framework like <u>Behat</u>.

Of course, there are different types of packages. Some packages are stand-alone, meaning they work with any framework, not just Laravel. Both Carbon and Behat are examples of stand-alone packages. Any of these packages may be used with Laravel by simply requesting them in your composer.json file.

On the other hand, other packages are specifically intended for use with Laravel. These packages may have routes, controllers, views, and configuration specifically intended to enhance a Laravel application. This guide primarily covers the development of those that are Laravel specific.

All Laravel packages are distributed via <u>Packagist</u> and <u>Composer</u>, so learning about these wonderful PHP package distribution tools is essential.

## **Views**

Your package's internal structure is entirely up to you; however, typically each package will contain one or more <u>service providers</u>. The service provider contains any <u>service container</u> bindings, as well as instructions as to where package configuration, views, and translation files are located.

#### Views

Package views are typically referenced using a double-colon "namespace" syntax:

```
return view('package::view.name');
```

All you need to do is tell Laravel where the views for a given namespace are located. For example, if your package is named "courier", you might add the following to your service provider's boot method:

Now you may load your package views using the following syntax:

```
return view('courier::view.name');
```

When you use the <code>loadviewsFrom</code> method, Laravel actually registers <code>two</code> locations for your views: one in the application's <code>resources/views/vendor</code> directory and one in the directory you specify. So, using our <code>courier</code> example: when requesting a package view, Laravel will first check if a custom version of the view has been provided by the developer in <code>resources/views/vendor/courier</code>. Then, if the view has not been customized, Laravel will search the package view directory you specified in your call to <code>loadviewsFrom</code>. This makes it easy for end-users to customize / override your package's views.

#### **Publishing Views**

To publish your package's views to the resources/views/vendor directory, you should use the publishes method from the boot method of your service provider:

Now, when users of your package execute Laravel's vendor:publish command, your views directory will be copied to the specified location.

If you would like to overwrite existing files, use the --force switch:

```
php artisan vendor:publish --force
```

**Note:** You may use the publishes method to publish **any** type of file to any location you wish.

## **Translations**

Package translation files are typically referenced using a double-colon syntax:

```
return trans('package::file.line');
```

All you need to do is tell Laravel where the translations for a given namespace are located. For example, if your package is named "courier", you might add the following to your service provider's boot method:

```
public function boot()
{
     $this->loadTranslationsFrom(__DIR__.'/path/to/translations',
'courier');
}
```

Note that within your translations folder, you would have further directories for each language, such as en, es, ru, etc.

Now you may load your package translations using the following syntax:

```
return trans('courier::file.line');
```

# Configuration

Typically, you will want to publish your package's configuration file to the application's own config directory. This will allow users of your package to easily override your default configuration options.

To publish a configuration file, just use the publishes method from the boot method of your service provider:

```
$this->publishes([
    __DIR__.'/path/to/config/courier.php' => config_path('courier.php'),
]);
```

Now, when users of your package execute Laravel's vendor:publish command, your file will be copied to the specified location. Of course, once your configuration has been published, it can be accessed like any other configuration file:

```
$value = config('courier.option');
```

You may also choose to merge your own package configuration file with the application's copy. This allows your users to include only the options they actually want to override in the published copy of the configuration. To merge the configurations, use the mergeConfigFrom method within your service provider's register method:

```
$this->mergeConfigFrom(
   __DIR__.'/path/to/config/courier.php', 'courier');
```

## **Public Assets**

Your packages may have assets such as JavaScript, CSS, and images. To publish assets, use the publishes method from your service provider's boot method. In this example, we will also add a "public" asset group tag.

```
$this->publishes([
    __DIR__.'/path/to/assets' => public_path('vendor/courier'),
], 'public');
```

Now, when your package's users execute the <code>vendor:publish</code> command, your files will be copied to the specified location. Since you typically will need to overwrite the assets every time the package is updated, you may use the <code>--force</code> flag:

```
php artisan vendor:publish --tag=public --force
```

If you would like to make sure your public assets are always up-to-date, you can add this command to the post-update-cmd list in your composer.json file.

# **Publishing File Groups**

You may want to publish groups of files separately. For instance, you might want your users to be able to publish your package's configuration files and asset files separately. You can do this by 'tagging' them:

```
// Publish a config file
$this->publishes([
    __DIR__.'/../config/package.php' => config_path('package.php')
], 'config');

// Publish your migrations
$this->publishes([
    __DIR__.'/../database/migrations/' => database_path('/migrations')
], 'migrations');
```

You can then publish these files separately by referencing their tag like so:

```
php artisan vendor:publish --
provider="Vendor\Providers\PackageServiceProvider" --tag="config"
```

# **Routing**

To load a routes file for your package, simply include it from within your service provider's boot method.

## **Including A Routes File From A Service Provider**

```
public function boot()
{
    include __DIR__.'/../../routes.php';
}
```

**Note:** If your package is using controllers, you will need to make sure they are properly configured in your composer.json file's auto-load section.

# **Pagination**

- Configuration
- <u>Usage</u>
- Appending To Pagination Links
- Converting To JSON

## Configuration

In other frameworks, pagination can be very painful. Laravel makes it a breeze. Laravel can generate an intelligent "range" of links based on the current page. The generated HTML is compatible with the Bootstrap CSS framework.

## **Usage**

There are several ways to paginate items. The simplest is by using the paginate method on the query builder or an Eloquent model.

#### **Paginating Database Results**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->paginate(15);
```

**Note:** Currently, pagination operations that use a groupBy statement cannot be executed efficiently by Laravel. If you need to use a groupBy with a paginated result set, it is recommended that you query the database and create a paginator manually.

#### **Creating A Paginator Manually**

Sometimes you may wish to create a pagination instance manually, passing it an array of items. You may do so by creating either an

```
{\tt Illuminate \backslash Pagination \backslash Paginator} \ or \\
```

Illuminate\Pagination\LengthAwarePaginator instance, depending on your needs.

#### **Paginating An Eloquent Model**

You may also paginate **Eloquent** models:

```
$allUsers = User::paginate(15);
$someUsers = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->paginate(15);
```

The argument passed to the paginate method is the number of items you wish to display per page. Once you have retrieved the results, you may display them on your view, and create the pagination links using the render method:

This is all it takes to create a pagination system! Note that we did not have to inform the framework of the current page. Laravel will determine this for you

automatically.

You may also access additional pagination information via the following methods:

- currentPage
- lastPage
- perPage
- hasMorePages
- url
- nextPageUrl
- firstItem
- lastItem
- total
- count

#### "Simple Pagination"

If you are only showing "Next" and "Previous" links in your pagination view, you have the option of using the simplePaginate method to perform a more efficient query. This is useful for larger datasets when you do not require the display of exact page numbers on your view:

```
$someUsers = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->simplePaginate(15);
```

#### **Customizing The Paginator URI**

You may also customize the URI used by the paginator via the setPath method:

```
$users = User::paginate();
$users->setPath('custom/url');
```

The example above will create URLs like the following: <a href="http://example.com/custom/url?page=2">http://example.com/custom/url?page=2</a>

# **Appending To Pagination Links**

You can add to the query string of pagination links using the appends method on the Paginator:

```
<?php echo $users->appends(['sort' => 'votes'])->render(); ?>
```

This will generate URLs that look something like this:

```
http://example.com/something?page=2&sort=votes
```

If you wish to append a "hash fragment" to the paginator's URLs, you may use the fragment method:

```
<?php echo $users->fragment('foo')->render(); ?>
```

This method call will generate URLs that look something like this:

http://example.com/something?page=2#foo

# **Converting To JSON**

The Paginator class implements the

Illuminate\Contracts\Support\JsonableInterface contract and exposes the

toJson method. You may also convert a paginator instance to JSON by returning it from a route. The JSON'd form of the instance will include some "meta" information such as total, current\_page, and last\_page. The instance's data will be available via the data key in the JSON array.

# Queues

- Configuration
- Basic Usage
- Queueing Closures
- Running The Queue Listener
- <u>Daemon Queue Worker</u>
- Push Queues
- Failed Jobs

## Configuration

The Laravel Queue component provides a unified API across a variety of different queue services. Queues allow you to defer the processing of a time consuming task, such as sending an e-mail, until a later time, thus drastically speeding up the web requests to your application.

The queue configuration file is stored in <code>config/queue.php</code>. In this file you will find connection configurations for each of the queue drivers that are included with the framework, which includes a database, <a href="Meanstalkd">Beanstalkd</a>, <a href="IronMQ">IronMQ</a>, <a href="Amazon SQS">Amazon SQS</a>, <a href="Redis">Redis</a>, null, and synchronous (for local use) driver. The null queue driver simply discards queued jobs so they are never run.

## **Queue Database Table**

In order to use the database queue driver, you will need a database table to hold the jobs. To generate a migration to create this table, run the queue:table Artisan command:

```
php artisan queue:table
```

## **Other Queue Dependencies**

The following dependencies are needed for the listed queue drivers:

- Amazon SQS: aws/aws-sdk-php
- Beanstalkd: pda/pheanstalk ~3.0
- IronMQ: iron-io/iron\_mq ~1.5
- Redis: predis/predis ~1.0

# **Basic Usage**

#### **Pushing A Job Onto The Queue**

All of the queueable jobs for your application are stored in the App\commands directory. You may generate a new queued command using the Artisan CLI:

```
php artisan make:command SendEmail --queued
```

To push a new job onto the queue, use the Queue::push method:

```
Queue::push(new SendEmail($message));
```

**Note:** In this example, we are using the Queue facade directly; however, typically you would dispatch queued command via the <u>Command Bus</u>. We will continue to use the Queue facade throughout this page; however, familiarize with the command bus as well, since it is used to dispatch both queued and synchronous commands for your application.

By default, the make:command Artisan command generates a "self-handling" command, meaning a handle method is added to the command itself. This method will be called when the job is executed by the queue. You may type-hint any dependencies you need on the handle method and the service container will automatically inject them:

If you would like your command to have a separate handler class, you should add the --handler flag to the make:command:

```
php artisan make:command SendEmail --queued --handler
```

The generated handler will be placed in App\Handlers\Commands and will be resolved out of the IoC container.

#### Specifying The Queue / Tube For A Job

You may also specify the queue / tube a job should be sent to:

```
Queue::pushOn('emails', new SendEmail($message));
```

#### Passing The Same Payload To Multiple Jobs

If you need to pass the same data to several queue jobs, you may use the Queue::bulk method:

```
Queue::bulk([new SendEmail($message), new AnotherCommand]);
```

### **Delaying The Execution Of A Job**

Sometimes you may wish to delay the execution of a queued job. For instance, you may wish to queue a job that sends a customer an e-mail 15 minutes after sign-up. You can accomplish this using the Queue::later method:

```
$date = Carbon::now()->addMinutes(15);
Queue::later($date, new SendEmail($message));
```

In this example, we're using the <u>Carbon</u> date library to specify the delay we wish to assign to the job. Alternatively, you may pass the number of seconds you wish to delay as an integer.

**Note:** The Amazon SQS service has a delay limit of 900 seconds (15 minutes).

#### **Queues And Eloquent Models**

If your queued job accepts an Eloquent model in its constructor, only the identifier for the model will be serialized onto the queue. When the job is actually handled, the queue system will automatically re-retrieve the full model instance from the

database. It's all totally transparent to your application and prevents issues that can arise from serializing full Eloquent model instances.

#### **Deleting A Processed Job**

Once you have processed a job, it must be deleted from the queue. If no exception is thrown during the execution of your job, this will be done automatically.

If you would like to delete or release the job manually, the Illuminate\Queue\InteractsWithQueue trait provides access to the queue job release and delete methods. The release method accepts a single value: the number of seconds you wish to wait until the job is made available again.

#### Releasing A Job Back Onto The Queue

IF an exception is thrown while the job is being processed, it will automatically be released back onto the queue so it may be attempted again. The job will continue to be released until it has been attempted the maximum number of times allowed by your application. The number of maximum attempts is defined by the --tries switch used on the queue:listen or queue:work Artisan commands.

#### **Checking The Number Of Run Attempts**

If an exception occurs while the job is being processed, it will automatically be released back onto the queue. You may check the number of attempts that have been made to run the job using the attempts method:

**Note:** Your command / handler must use the

Illuminate\Queue\InteractsWithQueue trait in order to call this method.

# **Queueing Closures**

You may also push a Closure onto the queue. This is very convenient for quick, simple tasks that need to be queued:

#### **Pushing A Closure Onto The Queue**

```
Queue::push(function($job) use ($id)
{
    Account::delete($id);
    $job->delete();
});
```

**Note:** Instead of making objects available to queued Closures via the use directive, consider passing primary keys and re-pulling the associated models from within your queue job. This often avoids unexpected serialization behavior.

When using Iron.io <u>push queues</u>, you should take extra precaution queueing Closures. The end-point that receives your queue messages should check for a token to verify that the request is actually from Iron.io. For example, your push queue end-point should be something like: https://yourapp.com/queue/receive?token=SecretToken. You may then check the value of the secret token in your application before marshalling the queue request.

## **Running The Queue Listener**

Laravel includes an Artisan task that will run new jobs as they are pushed onto the queue. You may run this task using the queue:listen command:

#### **Starting The Queue Listener**

```
php artisan queue:listen
```

You may also specify which queue connection the listener should utilize:

```
php artisan queue: listen connection
```

Note that once this task has started, it will continue to run until it is manually stopped. You may use a process monitor such as <u>Supervisor</u> to ensure that the queue listener does not stop running.

You may pass a comma-delimited list of queue connections to the listen command to set queue priorities:

```
php artisan queue:listen --queue=high,low
```

In this example, jobs on the high connection will always be processed before moving onto jobs from the low connection.

#### **Specifying The Job Timeout Parameter**

You may also set the length of time (in seconds) each job should be allowed to run:

```
php artisan queue:listen --timeout=60
```

#### **Specifying Queue Sleep Duration**

In addition, you may specify the number of seconds to wait before polling for new jobs:

```
php artisan queue:listen --sleep=5
```

Note that the queue only "sleeps" if no jobs are on the queue. If more jobs are available, the queue will continue to work them without sleeping.

#### **Processing The First Job On The Queue**

To process only the first job on the queue, you may use the queue:work command:

```
php artisan queue:work
```

# **Daemon Queue Worker**

The queue:work also includes a --daemon option for forcing the queue worker to continue processing jobs without ever re-booting the framework. This results in a

significant reduction of CPU usage when compared to the queue:listen command, but at the added complexity of needing to drain the queues of currently executing jobs during your deployments.

To start a queue worker in daemon mode, use the --daemon flag:

```
php artisan queue:work connection --daemon
php artisan queue:work connection --daemon --sleep=3
php artisan queue:work connection --daemon --sleep=3 --tries=3
```

As you can see, the queue:work command supports most of the same options available to queue:listen. You may use the php artisan help queue:work command to view all of the available options.

## **Deploying With Daemon Queue Workers**

The simplest way to deploy an application using daemon queue workers is to put the application in maintenance mode at the beginning of your deployment. This can be done using the php artisan down command. Once the application is in maintenance mode, Laravel will not accept any new jobs off of the queue, but will continue to process existing jobs.

The easiest way to restart your workers is to include the following command in your deployment script:

```
php artisan queue:restart
```

This command will instruct all queue workers to restart after they finish processing their current job.

**Note:** This command relies on the cache system to schedule the restart. By default, APCu does not work for CLI commands. If you are using APCu, add apc.enable\_cli=1 to your APCu configuration.

### **Coding For Daemon Queue Workers**

Daemon queue workers do not restart the framework before processing each job. Therefore, you should be careful to free any heavy resources before your job finishes. For example, if you are doing image manipulation with the GD library, you should free the memory with imagedestroy when you are done.

Similarly, your database connection may disconnect when being used by long-running daemon. You may use the DB::reconnect method to ensure you have a fresh connection.

## **Push Queues**

Push queues allow you to utilize the powerful Laravel 5 queue facilities without running any daemons or background listeners. Currently, push queues are only supported by the <a href="Iron.io">Iron.io</a> driver. Before getting started, create an Iron.io account, and add your Iron credentials to the config/queue.php configuration file.

## Registering A Push Queue Subscriber

Next, you may use the queue:subscribe Artisan command to register a URL endpoint that will receive newly pushed queue jobs:

```
php artisan queue:subscribe queue_name queue/receive
php artisan queue:subscribe queue name http://foo.com/queue/receive
```

Now, when you login to your Iron dashboard, you will see your new push queue, as well as the subscribed URL. You may subscribe as many URLs as you wish to a given queue. Next, create a route for your queue/receive end-point and return the response from the queue::marshal method:

```
Route::post('queue/receive', function()
{
    return Queue::marshal();
});
```

The marshal method will take care of firing the correct job handler class. To fire jobs onto the push queue, just use the same Queue::push method used for conventional queues.

## **Failed Jobs**

Since things don't always go as planned, sometimes your queued jobs will fail. Don't worry, it happens to the best of us! Laravel includes a convenient way to specify the maximum number of times a job should be attempted. After a job has exceeded this amount of attempts, it will be inserted into a failed\_jobs table. The failed jobs table name can be configured via the config/queue.php configuration file.

To create a migration for the failed\_jobs table, you may use the queue:failed-table command:

```
php artisan queue:failed-table
```

You can specify the maximum number of times a job should be attempted using the --tries switch on the queue:listen command:

```
php artisan queue:listen connection-name --tries=3
```

If you would like to register an event that will be called when a queue job fails, you may use the Queue::failing method. This event is a great opportunity to notify your team via e-mail or <a href="HipChat">HipChat</a>.

You may also define a failed method directly on a queue job class, allowing you to perform job specific actions when a failure occurs:

```
public function failed()
{
    // Called when the job is failing...
}
```

If your job is not self-handling and has a seperate handler class the failed method needs to be defined there instead.

### **Retrying Failed Jobs**

To view all of your failed jobs, you may use the queue:failed Artisan command:

```
php artisan queue:failed
```

The queue:failed command will list the job ID, connection, queue, and failure time. The job ID may be used to retry the failed job. For instance, to retry a failed job that has an ID of 5, the following command should be issued:

php artisan queue:retry 5

If you would like to delete a failed job, you may use the queue:forget command:

php artisan queue:forget 5

To delete all of your failed jobs, you may use the queue:flush command:

php artisan queue:flush

# **Session**

- Configuration
- Session Usage
- Flash Data
- Database Sessions
- Session Drivers

## Configuration

Since HTTP driven applications are stateless, sessions provide a way to store information about the user across requests. Laravel ships with a variety of session back-ends available for use through a clean, unified API. Support for popular back-ends such as <a href="Memcached">Memcached</a>, <a href="Redis">Redis</a>, and databases is included out of the box.

The session configuration is stored in <code>config/session.php</code>. Be sure to review the well documented options available to you in this file. By default, Laravel is configured to use the <code>file</code> session driver, which will work well for the majority of applications.

Before using Redis sessions with Laravel, you will need to install the predis/predis package (~1.0) via Composer.

**Note:** If you need all stored session data to be encrypted, set the encrypt configuration option to true.

**Note:** When using the cookie session driver, you should **never** remove the EncryptCookie middleware from your HTTP kernel. If you remove this middleware, your application will be vulnerable to remote code injection.

#### Reserved Keys

The Laravel framework uses the flash session key internally, so you should not add an item to the session by that name.

# **Session Usage**

The session may be accessed in several ways, via the HTTP request's session method, the session facade, or the session helper function. When the session helper is called without arguments, it will return the entire session object. For example:

```
session()->regenerate();
```

#### **Storing An Item In The Session**

```
Session::put('key', 'value');
session(['key' => 'value']);
```

#### Push A Value Onto An Array Session Value

```
Session::push('user.teams', 'developers');
```

#### **Retrieving An Item From The Session**

```
$value = Session::get('key');
$value = session('key');
```

#### Retrieving An Item Or Returning A Default Value

```
$value = Session::get('key', 'default');
$value = Session::get('key', function() { return 'default'; });
```

#### **Retrieving An Item And Forgetting It**

```
$value = Session::pull('key', 'default');
```

#### **Retrieving All Data From The Session**

```
$data = Session::all();
```

#### **Determining If An Item Exists In The Session**

```
if (Session::has('users'))
{
      //
}
```

#### **Removing An Item From The Session**

```
Session::forget('key');
```

#### Removing All Items From The Session

```
Session::flush();
```

#### **Regenerating The Session ID**

```
Session::regenerate();
```

### Flash Data

Sometimes you may wish to store items in the session only for the next request. You may do so using the session::flash method:

```
Session::flash('key', 'value');
```

#### Reflashing The Current Flash Data For Another Request

```
Session::reflash();
```

#### Reflashing Only A Subset Of Flash Data

```
Session::keep(['username', 'email']);
```

### **Database Sessions**

When using the database session driver, you will need to setup a table to contain the session items. Below is an example schema declaration for the table:

```
Schema::create('sessions', function($table)
{
     $table->string('id')->unique();
     $table->text('payload');
     $table->integer('last_activity');
});
```

Of course, you may use the session:table Artisan command to generate this migration for you!

```
php artisan session:table
composer dump-autoload
php artisan migrate
```

## **Session Drivers**

The session "driver" defines where session data will be stored for each request. Laravel ships with several great drivers out of the box:

- file sessions will be stored in storage/framework/sessions.
- cookie sessions will be stored in secure, encrypted cookies.
- database sessions will be stored in a database used by your application.
- memcached / redis sessions will be stored in one of these fast, cached based stores
- array sessions will be stored in a simple PHP array and will not be persisted across requests.

**Note:** The array driver is typically used for running <u>unit tests</u>, so no session data will be persisted.

# **Templates**

- Blade Templating
- Other Blade Control Structures

## **Blade Templating**

Blade is a simple, yet powerful templating engine provided with Laravel. Unlike controller layouts, Blade is driven by *template inheritance* and *sections*. All Blade templates should use the .blade.php extension.

#### **Defining A Blade Layout**

## **Using A Blade Layout**

Note that views which extend a Blade layout simply override sections from the layout. Content of the layout can be included in a child view using the @@parent directive in a section, allowing you to append to the contents of a layout section such as a sidebar or footer.

Sometimes, such as when you are not sure if a section has been defined, you may wish to pass a default value to the @yield directive. You may pass the default value as the second argument:

```
@yield('section', 'Default Content')
```

## **Other Blade Control Structures**

#### **Echoing Data**

```
Hello, {{ $name }}.
The current UNIX timestamp is {{ time() }}.
```

#### **Echoing Data After Checking For Existence**

Sometimes you may wish to echo a variable, but you aren't sure if the variable has been set. Basically, you want to do this:

```
{{ isset($name) ? $name : 'Default' }}
```

However, instead of writing a ternary statement, Blade allows you to use the following convenient short-cut:

```
{{ $name or 'Default' }}
```

#### **Displaying Raw Text With Curly Braces**

If you need to display a string that is wrapped in curly braces, you may escape the Blade behavior by prefixing your text with an @ symbol:

```
@{{ This will not be processed by Blade }}
```

If you don't want the data to be escaped, you may use the following syntax:

```
Hello, {!! $name !!}.
```

**Note:** Be very careful when echoing content that is supplied by users of your application. Always use the double curly brace syntax to escape any HTML entities in the content.

### If Statements

```
@if (count($records) === 1)
    I have one record!
@elseif (count($records) > 1)
    I have multiple records!
@else
    I don't have any records!
@endif
@unless (Auth::check())
    You are not signed in.
@endunless
```

#### Loops

#### **Including Sub-Views**

```
@include('view.name')
```

You may also pass an array of data to the included view:

```
@include('view.name', ['some' => 'data'])
```

### **Overwriting Sections**

To overwrite a section entirely, you may use the overwrite statement:

#### **Displaying Language Lines**

```
@lang('language.line')
@choice('language.line', 1)
```

### **Comments**

```
\{\{-- \text{ This comment will not be in the rendered HTML } --\}\}
```

# **Testing**

- Introduction
- Defining & Running Tests
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- Calling Routes From Tests
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### Introduction

Laravel is built with unit testing in mind. In fact, support for testing with PHPUnit is included out of the box, and a phpunit.xml file is already setup for your application.

An example test file is provided in the tests directory. After installing a new Laravel application, simply run phpunit on the command line to run your tests.

## **Defining & Running Tests**

To create a test case, simply create a new test file in the tests directory. The test class should extend TestCase. You may then define test methods as you normally would when using PHPUnit.

#### **An Example Test Class**

```
class FooTest extends TestCase {
    public function testSomethingIsTrue()
    {
        $this->assertTrue(true);
    }
}
```

You may run all of the tests for your application by executing the phpunit command from your terminal.

Note: If you define your own setup method, be sure to call parent::setup.

### **Test Environment**

When running unit tests, Laravel will automatically set the configuration environment to testing. Also, Laravel includes configuration files for session and cache in the test environment. Both of these drivers are set to array while in the test environment, meaning no session or cache data will be persisted while testing. You are free to create other testing environment configurations as necessary.

The testing environment variables may be configured in the phpunit.xml file.

# **Calling Routes From Tests**

#### **Calling A Route From A Test**

You may easily call one of your routes for a test using the call method:

```
$response = $this->call('GET', 'user/profile');
$response = $this->call($method, $uri, $parameters, $cookies, $files, $server, $content);
```

You may then inspect the Illuminate\Http\Response object:

```
$this->assertEquals('Hello World', $response->getContent());
```

#### **Calling A Controller From A Test**

You may also call a controller from a test:

```
$response = $this->action('GET', 'HomeController@index');
$response = $this->action('GET', 'UserController@profile', ['user' => 1]);
```

**Note:** You do not need to specify the full controller namespace when using the action method. Only specify the portion of the class name that follows the App\Http\Controllers namespace.

The getcontent method will return the evaluated string contents of the response. If your route returns a view, you may access it using the original property:

```
$view = $response->original;
$this->assertEquals('John', $view['name']);
To call a HTTPS route, you may use the callsecure method:
```

\$response = \$this->callSecure('GET', 'foo/bar');

# **Mocking Facades**

When testing, you may often want to mock a call to a Laravel static facade. For example, consider the following controller action:

```
public function getIndex()
{
    Event::fire('foo', ['name' => 'Dayle']);
    return 'All done!';
}
```

We can mock the call to the Event class by using the shouldReceive method on the facade, which will return an instance of a Mockery mock.

### **Mocking A Facade**

```
public function testGetIndex()
{
    Event::shouldReceive('fire')->once()->with('foo', ['name' => 'Dayle']);
    $this->call('GET', '/');
}
```

**Note:** You should not mock the Request facade. Instead, pass the input you desire into the call method when running your test.

## Framework Assertions

Laravel ships with several assert methods to make testing a little easier:

#### **Asserting Responses Are OK**

```
public function testMethod()
{
    $this->call('GET', '/');
    $this->assertResponseOk();
}
```

#### **Asserting Response Statuses**

```
$this->assertResponseStatus(403);
```

#### **Asserting Responses Are Redirects**

```
$this->assertRedirectedTo('foo');
$this->assertRedirectedToRoute('route.name');
$this->assertRedirectedToAction('Controller@method');
```

#### **Asserting A View Has Some Data**

```
public function testMethod()
{
    $this->call('GET', '/');
    $this->assertViewHas('name');
    $this->assertViewHas('age', $value);
}
```

#### **Asserting The Session Has Some Data**

```
public function testMethod()
{
    $this->call('GET', '/');

$this->assertSessionHas('name');
    $this->assertSessionHas('age', $value);
}
```

#### **Asserting The Session Has Errors**

```
public function testMethod()
{
    $this->call('GET', '/');
    $this->assertSessionHasErrors();

    // Asserting the session has errors for a given key...
    $this->assertSessionHasErrors('name');

    // Asserting the session has errors for several keys...
    $this->assertSessionHasErrors(['name', 'age']);
}
```

### **Asserting Old Input Has Some Data**

```
public function testMethod()
{
    $this->call('GET', '/');
```

```
$this->assertHasOldInput();
```

## **Helper Methods**

The Testcase class contains several helper methods to make testing your application easier.

### **Setting And Flushing Sessions From Tests**

```
$this->session(['foo' => 'bar']);
$this->flushSession();
```

#### **Setting The Currently Authenticated User**

You may set the currently authenticated user using the be method:

```
$user = new User(['name' => 'John']);
$this->be($user);
```

#### **Re-Seeding Database From Tests**

You may re-seed your database from a test using the seed method:

```
$this->seed();
$this->seed('DatabaseSeeder');
```

More information on creating seeds may be found in the <u>migrations and seeding</u> section of the documentation.

# **Refreshing The Application**

As you may already know, you can access your Application (<u>service container</u>) via \$this->app from any test method. This service container instance is refreshed for each test class. If you wish to manually force the Application to be refreshed for a given method, you may use the refreshapplication method from your test method. This will reset any extra bindings, such as mocks, that have been placed in the IoC container since the test case started running.

## **Validation**

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## **Basic Usage**

Laravel ships with a simple, convenient facility for validating data and retrieving validation error messages via the validator class.

#### **Basic Validation Example**

```
$validator = Validator::make(
    ['name' => 'Dayle'],
    ['name' => 'required|min:5']
);
```

The first argument passed to the make method is the data under validation. The second argument is the validation rules that should be applied to the data.

### **Using Arrays To Specify Rules**

Multiple rules may be delimited using either a "pipe" character, or as separate elements of an array.

```
$validator = Validator::make(
   ['name' => 'Dayle'],
   ['name' => ['required', 'min:5']]
);
```

#### Validating Multiple Fields

Once a validator instance has been created, the fails (or passes) method may be used to perform the validation.

```
if ($validator->fails())
{
     // The given data did not pass validation
}
```

If validation has failed, you may retrieve the error messages from the validator.

```
$messages = $validator->messages();
```

You may also access an array of the failed validation rules, without messages. To do so, use the failed method:

```
$failed = $validator->failed();
```

#### **Validating Files**

The validator class provides several rules for validating files, such as size, mimes, and others. When validating files, you may simply pass them into the validator with your other data.

#### **After Validation Hook**

The validator also allows you to attach callbacks to be run after validation is completed. This allows you to easily perform further validation, and even add more error messages to the message collection. To get started, use the after method on a validator instance:

You may add as many after callbacks to a validator as needed.

### **Controller Validation**

Of course, manually creating and checking a validator instance each time you do validation is a headache. Don't worry, you have other options! The base App\Http\Controllers\controller class included with Laravel uses a validatesRequests trait. This trait provides a single, convenient method for validating incoming HTTP requests. Here's what it looks like:

If validation passes, your code will keep executing normally. However, if validation fails, an <code>illuminate\Contracts\Validation\ValidationException</code> will be thrown. This exception is automatically caught and a redirect is generated to the user's previous location. The validation errors are even automatically flashed to the session!

If the incoming request was an AJAX request, no redirect will be generated. Instead, an HTTP response with a 422 status code will be returned to the browser containing a JSON representation of the validation errors.

For example, here is the equivalent code written manually:

## **Customizing The Flashed Error Format**

If you wish to customize the format of the validation errors that are flashed to the session when validation fails, override the formatValidationErrors on your base controller. Don't forget to import the Illuminate\Validation\Validator class at the top of the file:

```
/**
  * {@inheritdoc}
  */
protected function formatValidationErrors(Validator $validator)
{
    return $validator->errors()->all();
}
```

# Form Request Validation

For more complex validation scenarios, you may wish to create a "form request". Form requests are custom request classes that contain validation logic. To create a form request class, use the make:request Artisan CLI command:

```
php artisan make:request StoreBlogPostRequest
```

The generated class will be placed in the app/Http/Requests directory. Let's add a few validation rules to the rules method:

```
/**
  * Get the validation rules that apply to the request.
  *
  * @return array
  */
public function rules()
{
```

```
return [
    'title' => 'required|unique|max:255',
    'body' => 'required',
];
}
```

So, how are the validation rules executed? All you need to do is type-hint the request on your controller method:

```
/**
  * Store the incoming blog post.
  *
  * @param StoreBlogPostRequest $request
  * @return Response
  */
public function store(StoreBlogPostRequest $request)
{
      // The incoming request is valid...
}
```

The incoming form request is validated before the controller method is called, meaning you do not need to clutter your controller with any validation logic. It has already been validated!

If validation fails, a redirect response will be generated to send the user back to their previous location. The errors will also be flashed to the session so they are available for display. If the request was an AJAX request, a HTTP response with a 422 status code will be returned to the user including a JSON representation of the validation errors.

## **Authorizing Form Requests**

The form request class also contains an authorize method. Within this method, you may check if the authenticated user actually has the authority to update a given resource. For example, if a user is attempting to update a blog post comment, do they actually own that comment? For example:

Note the call to the route method in the example above. This method grants you access to the URI parameters defined on the route being called, such as the {comment} parameter in the example below:

```
Route::post('comment/{comment}');
```

If the authorize method returns false, a HTTP response with a 403 status code will automatically be returned and your controller method will not execute.

If you plan to have authorization logic in another part of your application, simply return true from the authorize method:

```
/**
 * Determine if the user is authorized to make this request.
 *
 * @return bool
```

```
*/
public function authorize()
{
    return true;
}
```

## **Customizing The Flashed Error Format**

If you wish to customize the format of the validation errors that are flashed to the session when validation fails, override the formatErrors on your base request (App\Http\Requests\Request). Don't forget to import the Illuminate\Validation\Validator class at the top of the file:

```
/**
  * {@inheritdoc}
  */
protected function formatErrors(Validator $validator)
{
    return $validator->errors()->all();
}
```

## **Working With Error Messages**

After calling the messages method on a validator instance, you will receive a MessageBag instance, which has a variety of convenient methods for working with error messages.

#### Retrieving The First Error Message For A Field

```
echo $messages->first('email');
```

#### **Retrieving All Error Messages For A Field**

```
foreach ($messages->get('email') as $message)
{
     //
}
```

#### **Retrieving All Error Messages For All Fields**

```
foreach ($messages->all() as $message)
{
     //
}
```

#### **Determining If Messages Exist For A Field**

```
if ($messages->has('email'))
{
      //
}
```

#### **Retrieving An Error Message With A Format**

```
echo $messages->first('email', ':message');
```

Note: By default, messages are formatted using Bootstrap compatible syntax.

### **Retrieving All Error Messages With A Format**

```
for
each ($messages->all(':message') as $message) {
```

```
1/
```

## **Error Messages & Views**

Once you have performed validation, you will need an easy way to get the error messages back to your views. This is conveniently handled by Laravel. Consider the following routes as an example:

```
Route::get('register', function()
{
    return View::make('user.register');
});

Route::post('register', function()
{
    $rules = [...];
    $validator = Validator::make(Input::all(), $rules);
    if ($validator->fails())
    {
        return redirect('register')->withErrors($validator);
    }
});
```

Note that when validation fails, we pass the validator instance to the Redirect using the witherrors method. This method will flash the error messages to the session so that they are available on the next request.

However, notice that we do not have to explicitly bind the error messages to the view in our GET route. This is because Laravel will always check for errors in the session data, and automatically bind them to the view if they are available. So, it is important to note that an serrors variable will always be available in all of your views, on every request, allowing you to conveniently assume the serrors variable is always defined and can be safely used. The serrors variable will be an instance of MessageBag.

So, after redirection, you may utilize the automatically bound \$errors variable in your view:

```
<?php echo $errors->first('email'); ?>
```

### Named Error Bags

If you have multiple forms on a single page, you may wish to name the MessageBag of errors. This will allow you to retrieve the error messages for a specific form. Simply pass a name as the second argument to withErrors:

```
return redirect('register')->withErrors($validator, 'login');
```

You may then access the named MessageBag instance from the serrors variable:

```
<?php echo $errors->login->first('email'); ?>
```

### **Available Validation Rules**

Below is a list of all available validation rules and their function:

- Accepted
- Active URL
- After (Date)

- Alpha
- Alpha Dash
- Alpha Numeric
- Array
- Before (Date)
- Between
- Boolean
- Confirmed
- Date
- Date Format
- <u>Different</u>
- Digits
- Digits Between
- E-Mail
- Exists (Database)
- Image (File)
- <u>In</u>
- Integer
- IP Address
- Max
- MIME Types
- <u>Min</u>
- Not In
- Numeric
- Regular Expression
- Required
- Required If
- Required With
- Required With All
- Required Without
- Required Without All
- Same
- Size
- String
- <u>Timezone</u>
- Unique (Database)
- URL

### accepted

The field under validation must be *yes*, *on*, *1*, or *true*. This is useful for validating "Terms of Service" acceptance.

### active\_url

The field under validation must be a valid URL according to the checkdnsrr PHP function.

#### after:date

The field under validation must be a value after a given date. The dates will be passed into the PHP strtotime function.

### alpha

The field under validation must be entirely alphabetic characters.

### alpha\_dash

The field under validation may have alpha-numeric characters, as well as dashes and underscores.

### alpha\_num

The field under validation must be entirely alpha-numeric characters.

#### array

The field under validation must be of type array.

#### before:date

The field under validation must be a value preceding the given date. The dates will be passed into the PHP strtotime function.

### between:min,max

The field under validation must have a size between the given *min* and *max*. Strings, numerics, and files are evaluated in the same fashion as the size rule.

#### boolean

The field under validation must be able to be cast as a boolean. Accepted input are true, false, 1, 0, "1" and "0".

#### confirmed

The field under validation must have a matching field of foo\_confirmation. For example, if the field under validation is password, a matching password\_confirmation field must be present in the input.

#### date

The field under validation must be a valid date according to the strtotime PHP function.

### date\_format:format

The field under validation must match the *format* defined according to the date parse from format PHP function.

### different:field

The given *field* must be different than the field under validation.

#### digits:value

The field under validation must be *numeric* and must have an exact length of *value*.

### digits\_between:min,max

The field under validation must have a length between the given min and max.

#### email

The field under validation must be formatted as an e-mail address.

#### exists:table.column

The field under validation must exist on a given database table.

#### **Basic Usage Of Exists Rule**

```
'state' => 'exists:states'
```

### **Specifying A Custom Column Name**

```
'state' => 'exists:states,abbreviation'
```

You may also specify more conditions that will be added as "where" clauses to the query:

```
'email' => 'exists:staff,email,account_id,1'
```

Passing NULL as a "where" clause value will add a check for a NULL database value:

```
'email' => 'exists:staff,email,deleted_at,NULL'
```

#### image

The file under validation must be an image (jpeg, png, bmp, gif, or svg)

### in:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must be included in the given list of values.

### integer

The field under validation must have an integer value.

#### ip

The field under validation must be formatted as an IP address.

#### max:value

The field under validation must be less than or equal to a maximum *value*. Strings, numerics, and files are evaluated in the same fashion as the <u>size</u> rule.

### mimes:foo,bar,...

The file under validation must have a MIME type corresponding to one of the listed extensions.

### **Basic Usage Of MIME Rule**

```
'photo' => 'mimes:jpeg,bmp,png'
```

#### min:value

The field under validation must have a minimum *value*. Strings, numerics, and files are evaluated in the same fashion as the <u>size</u> rule.

### not\_in:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must not be included in the given list of values.

#### numeric

The field under validation must have a numeric value.

#### regex:pattern

The field under validation must match the given regular expression.

**Note:** When using the regex pattern, it may be necessary to specify rules in an array instead of using pipe delimiters, especially if the regular expression contains a pipe character.

### required

The field under validation must be present in the input data.

### required\_if:field,value,...

The field under validation must be present if the *field* is equal to any *value*.

### required\_with:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must be present *only if* any of the other specified fields are present.

### required\_with\_all:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must be present *only if* all of the other specified fields are present.

### required\_without:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must be present *only when* any of the other specified fields are not present.

### required\_without\_all:foo,bar,...

The field under validation must be present *only when* all of the other specified fields are not present.

#### same:field

The given *field* must match the field under validation.

### size:value

The field under validation must have a size matching the given *value*. For string data, *value* corresponds to the number of characters. For numeric data, *value* corresponds to a given integer value. For files, *size* corresponds to the file size in kilobytes.

#### string

The field under validation must be a string type.

#### timezone

The field under validation must be a valid timezone identifier according to the timezone\_identifiers\_list PHP function.

### unique:table,column,except,idColumn

The field under validation must be unique on a given database table. If the column option is not specified, the field name will be used.

Occasionally, you may need to set a custom connection for database queries made by the Validator. As seen above, setting unique:users as a validation rule will use the default database connection to query the database. To override this, do the following:

```
$verifier = App::make('validation.presence');
$verifier->setConnection('connectionName');
$validator = Validator::make($input, [
    'name' => 'required',
    'password' => 'required|min:8',
    'email' => 'required|email|unique:users',
]);
$validator->setPresenceVerifier($verifier);
```

### **Basic Usage Of Unique Rule**

```
'email' => 'unique:users'
```

### **Specifying A Custom Column Name**

```
'email' => 'unique:users,email_address'
```

### Forcing A Unique Rule To Ignore A Given ID

```
'email' => 'unique:users,email_address,10'
```

### **Adding Additional Where Clauses**

You may also specify more conditions that will be added as "where" clauses to the query:

```
'email' => 'unique:users,email_address,NULL,id,account_id,1'
```

In the rule above, only rows with an account\_id of 1 would be included in the unique check.

### url

The field under validation must be formatted as an URL.

Note: This function uses PHP's filter var method.

## **Conditionally Adding Rules**

In some situations, you may wish to run validation checks against a field **only** if that field is present in the input array. To quickly accomplish this, add the sometimes rule to your rule list:

```
$v = Validator::make($data, [
    'email' => 'sometimes|required|email',
]):
```

In the example above, the email field will only be validated if it is present in the \$data array.

### **Complex Conditional Validation**

Sometimes you may wish to require a given field only if another field has a greater value than 100. Or you may need two fields to have a given value only when another field is present. Adding these validation rules doesn't have to be a pain. First, create a validator instance with your *static rules* that never change:

```
$v = Validator::make($data, [
    'email' => 'required|email',
    'games' => 'required|numeric',
]);
```

Let's assume our web application is for game collectors. If a game collector registers with our application and they own more than 100 games, we want them to explain why they own so many games. For example, perhaps they run a game resell shop, or maybe they just enjoy collecting. To conditionally add this requirement, we can use the sometimes method on the validator instance.

```
$v->sometimes('reason', 'required|max:500', function($input)
{
    return $input->games >= 100;
});
```

The first argument passed to the sometimes method is the name of the field we are conditionally validating. The second argument is the rules we want to add. If the closure passed as the third argument returns true, the rules will be added. This method makes it a breeze to build complex conditional validations. You may even add conditional validations for several fields at once:

```
$v->sometimes(['reason', 'cost'], 'required', function($input)
{
    return $input->games >= 100;
}):
```

**Note:** The sinput parameter passed to your closure will be an instance of Illuminate\support\Fluent and may be used as an object to access your input and files.

# **Custom Error Messages**

If needed, you may use custom error messages for validation instead of the defaults. There are several ways to specify custom messages.

### **Passing Custom Messages Into Validator**

```
$messages = [
    'required' => 'The :attribute field is required.',
];
$validator = Validator::make($input, $rules, $messages);
```

*Note:* The :attribute place-holder will be replaced by the actual name of the field under validation. You may also utilize other place-holders in validation messages.

#### Other Validation Place-Holders

### Specifying A Custom Message For A Given Attribute

Sometimes you may wish to specify a custom error messages only for a specific field:

```
$messages = [
    'email.required' => 'We need to know your e-mail address!',
];
```

#### **Specifying Custom Messages In Language Files**

In some cases, you may wish to specify your custom messages in a language file instead of passing them directly to the validator. To do so, add your messages to custom array in the resources/lang/xx/validation.php language file.

```
'custom' => [
    'email' => [
         'required' => 'We need to know your e-mail address!',
    ],
],
```

### **Custom Validation Rules**

#### **Registering A Custom Validation Rule**

Laravel provides a variety of helpful validation rules; however, you may wish to specify some of your own. One method of registering custom validation rules is using the validator::extend method:

```
Validator::extend('foo', function($attribute, $value, $parameters)
{
    return $value == 'foo';
});
```

The custom validator Closure receives three arguments: the name of the sattribute being validated, the svalue of the attribute, and an array of sparameters passed to the rule.

You may also pass a class and method to the extend method instead of a Closure:

```
Validator::extend('foo', 'FooValidator@validate');
```

Note that you will also need to define an error message for your custom rules. You can do so either using an inline custom message array or by adding an entry in the validation language file.

#### **Extending The Validator Class**

Instead of using Closure callbacks to extend the Validator, you may also extend the Validator class itself. To do so, write a Validator class that extends <code>Illuminate\Validation\Validator</code>. You may add validation methods to the class by prefixing them with <code>validate</code>:

```
<?php
class CustomValidator extends \Illuminate\Validation\Validator {
   public function validateFoo($attribute, $value, $parameters)
   {
      return $value == 'foo';
   }
}</pre>
```

### Registering A Custom Validator Resolver

Next, you need to register your custom Validator extension:

```
Validator::resolver(function($translator, $data, $rules, $messages)
{
    return new CustomValidator($translator, $data, $rules, $messages);
});
```

When creating a custom validation rule, you may sometimes need to define custom place-holder replacements for error messages. You may do so by creating a custom Validator as described above, and adding a replacexxx function to the validator.

```
protected function replaceFoo($message, $attribute, $rule, $parameters)
{
    return str_replace(':foo', $parameters[0], $message);
}
```

If you would like to add a custom message "replacer" without extending the validator class, you may use the validator::replacer method:

#### **Database**

# **Basic Database Usage**

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- Database Transactions
- Accessing Connections
- Query Logging

## Configuration

Laravel makes connecting with databases and running queries extremely simple. The database configuration file is config/database.php. In this file you may define all of your database connections, as well as specify which connection should be used by default. Examples for all of the supported database systems are provided in this file.

Currently Laravel supports four database systems: MySQL, Postgres, SQLite, and SQL Server.

### **Read / Write Connections**

Sometimes you may wish to use one database connection for SELECT statements, and another for INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE statements. Laravel makes this a breeze, and the proper connections will always be used whether you are using raw queries, the query builder, or the Eloquent ORM.

To see how read / write connections should be configured, let's look at this example:

```
'mysql' => [
    'read' => [
        'host' => '192.168.1.1',
],
'write' => [
        'host' => '196.168.1.2'
],
'driver' => 'mysql',
'database' => 'database',
'username' => 'root',
'password' => '',
'charset' => 'utf8',
'collation' => 'utf8_unicode_ci',
'prefix' => '',
],
```

Note that two keys have been added to the configuration array: read and write. Both of these keys have array values containing a single key: host. The rest of the database options for the read and write connections will be merged from the main mysql array. So, we only need to place items in the read and write arrays if we wish to override the values in the main array. So, in this case, 192.168.1.1 will be used as the "read" connection, while 192.168.1.2 will be used as the "write" connection. The database credentials, prefix, character set, and all other options in the main mysql array will be shared across both connections.

# **Running Queries**

Once you have configured your database connection, you may run queries using the DB facade.

### **Running A Select Query**

```
$results = DB::select('select * from users where id = ?', [1]);
```

The select method will always return an array of results.

You may also execute a query using named bindings:

```
$results = DB::select('select * from users where id = :id', ['id' => 1]);
```

### **Running An Insert Statement**

```
DB::insert('insert into users (id, name) values (?, ?)', [1, 'Dayle']);
```

### **Running An Update Statement**

```
DB::update('update users set votes = 100 where name = ?', ['John']);
```

### **Running A Delete Statement**

```
DB::delete('delete from users');
```

**Note:** The update and delete statements return the number of rows affected by the operation.

#### **Running A General Statement**

```
DB::statement('drop table users');
```

### **Listening For Query Events**

You may listen for query events using the DB::listen method:

```
DB::listen(function($sql, $bindings, $time)
{
     //
});
```

### **Database Transactions**

To run a set of operations within a database transaction, you may use the transaction method:

```
DB::transaction(function()
{
    DB::table('users')->update(['votes' => 1]);
    DB::table('posts')->delete();
});
```

**Note:** Any exception thrown within the transaction closure will cause the transaction to be rolled back automatically.

Sometimes you may need to begin a transaction yourself:

```
DB::beginTransaction();
```

You can rollback a transaction via the rollback method:

```
DB::rollback();
```

Lastly, you can commit a transaction via the commit method:

```
DB::commit();
```

## **Accessing Connections**

When using multiple connections, you may access them via the DB::connection method:

```
$users = DB::connection('foo')->select(...);
```

You may also access the raw, underlying PDO instance:

```
$pdo = DB::connection()->getPdo();
```

Sometimes you may need to reconnect to a given database:

```
DB::reconnect('foo');
```

If you need to disconnect from the given database due to exceeding the underlying PDO instance's max\_connections limit, use the disconnect method:

```
DB::disconnect('foo');
```

## **Query Logging**

Laravel can optionally log in memory all queries that have been run for the current request. Be aware that in some cases, such as when inserting a large number of rows, this can cause the application to use excess memory. To enable the log, you may use the enableQueryLog method:

```
DB::connection()->enableQueryLog();
```

To get an array of the executed queries, you may use the getQueryLog method:

```
$queries = DB::getQueryLog();
```

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## Introduction

The database query builder provides a convenient, fluent interface to creating and running database queries. It can be used to perform most database operations in your application, and works on all supported database systems.

**Note:** The Laravel query builder uses PDO parameter binding throughout to protect your application against SQL injection attacks. There is no need to clean strings being passed as bindings.

### **Selects**

### **Retrieving All Rows From A Table**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->get();
foreach ($users as $user)
{
     var_dump($user->name);
}
```

### **Chunking Results From A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->chunk(100, function($users)
{
    foreach ($users as $user)
    {
        //
    }
});
```

You may stop further chunks from being processed by returning false from the Closure:

### Retrieving A Single Row From A Table

```
$user = DB::table('users')->where('name', 'John')->first();
var dump($user->name);
```

### Retrieving A Single Column From A Row

```
$name = DB::table('users')->where('name', 'John')->pluck('name');
```

### **Retrieving A List Of Column Values**

```
$roles = DB::table('roles')->lists('title');
```

This method will return an array of role titles. You may also specify a custom key column for the returned array:

```
$roles = DB::table('roles')->lists('title', 'name');
```

### **Specifying A Select Clause**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->select('name', 'email')->get();
$users = DB::table('users')->distinct()->get();
$users = DB::table('users')->select('name as user_name')->get();
```

### Adding A Select Clause To An Existing Query

```
$query = DB::table('users')->select('name');
$users = $query->addSelect('age')->get();
```

#### **Using Where Operators**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->where('votes', '>', 100)->get();
```

### **Or Statements**

### **Using Where Between**

### **Using Where Not Between**

### Using Where In With An Array

#### Using Where Null To Find Records With Unset Values

#### **Dynamic Where Clauses**

You may even use "dynamic" where statements to fluently build where statements using magic methods:

### Order By, Group By, And Having

#### **Offset & Limit**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->skip(10)->take(5)->get();
```

### **Joins**

The query builder may also be used to write join statements. Take a look at the following examples:

### **Basic Join Statement**

#### **Left Join Statement**

You may also specify more advanced join clauses:

If you would like to use a "where" style clause on your joins, you may use the where and orwhere methods on a join. Instead of comparing two columns, these methods will compare the column against a value:

### **Advanced Wheres**

### **Parameter Grouping**

Sometimes you may need to create more advanced where clauses such as "where exists" or nested parameter groupings. The Laravel query builder can handle these as well:

The query above will produce the following SQL:

```
select * from users where name = 'John' or (votes > 100 and title <> 'Admin')
```

#### **Exists Statements**

The query above will produce the following SQL:

```
select * from users
where exists (
        select 1 from orders where orders.user_id = users.id
)
```

# Aggregates

The query builder also provides a variety of aggregate methods, such as count, max, min, avg, and sum.

### **Using Aggregate Methods**

```
$users = DB::table('users')->count();
$price = DB::table('orders')->max('price');
$price = DB::table('orders')->min('price');
$price = DB::table('orders')->avg('price');
$total = DB::table('users')->sum('votes');
```

# **Raw Expressions**

Sometimes you may need to use a raw expression in a query. These expressions will be injected into the query as strings, so be careful not to create any SQL injection points! To create a raw expression, you may use the DB::raw method:

#### **Using A Raw Expression**

### **Inserts**

### **Inserting Records Into A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->insert(
    ['email' => 'john@example.com', 'votes' => 0]
);
```

### **Inserting Records Into A Table With An Auto-Incrementing ID**

If the table has an auto-incrementing id, use insertgetid to insert a record and retrieve the id:

```
$id = DB::table('users')->insertGetId(
    ['email' => 'john@example.com', 'votes' => 0]
);
```

**Note:** When using PostgreSQL the insertGetId method expects the auto-incrementing column to be named "id".

### **Inserting Multiple Records Into A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->insert([
    ['email' => 'taylor@example.com', 'votes' => 0],
    ['email' => 'dayle@example.com', 'votes' => 0]
]);
```

# **Updates**

### **Updating Records In A Table**

### Incrementing or decrementing a value of a column

```
DB::table('users')->increment('votes');
DB::table('users')->increment('votes', 5);
DB::table('users')->decrement('votes');
DB::table('users')->decrement('votes', 5);
```

You may also specify additional columns to update:

```
DB::table('users')->increment('votes', 1, ['name' => 'John']);
```

## **Deletes**

#### **Deleting Records In A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->where('votes', '<', 100)->delete();
```

### **Deleting All Records From A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->delete();
```

### **Truncating A Table**

```
DB::table('users')->truncate();
```

### Unions

The query builder also provides a quick way to "union" two queries together:

```
$first = DB::table('users')->whereNull('first_name');
$users = DB::table('users')->whereNull('last_name')->union($first)->get();
```

The unionAll method is also available, and has the same method signature as union.

## **Pessimistic Locking**

The query builder includes a few functions to help you do "pessimistic locking" on your SELECT statements.

To run the SELECT statement with a "shared lock", you may use the sharedLock method on a query:

```
DB::table('users')->where('votes', '>', 100)->sharedLock()->get();
```

To "lock for update" on a SELECT statement, you may use the lockForUpdate method on a query:

```
DB::table('users')->where('votes', '>', 100)->lockForUpdate()->get();
```

#### **Database**

# **Eloquent ORM**

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### Introduction

The Eloquent ORM included with Laravel provides a beautiful, simple ActiveRecord implementation for working with your database. Each database table has a corresponding "Model" which is used to interact with that table.

Before getting started, be sure to configure a database connection in config/database.php.

# **Basic Usage**

To get started, create an Eloquent model. Models typically live in the app directory, but you are free to place them anywhere that can be auto-loaded according to your composer.json file. All Eloquent models extend Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Model.

#### **Defining An Eloquent Model**

class User extends Model {}

You may also generate Eloquent models using the make:model command:

php artisan make: model User

Note that we did not tell Eloquent which table to use for our user model. The "snake case", plural name of the class will be used as the table name unless another name is explicitly specified. So, in this case, Eloquent will assume the user model stores records in the users table. You may specify a custom table by defining a table property on your model:

```
class User extends Model {
    protected $table = 'my_users';
}
```

**Note:** Eloquent will also assume that each table has a primary key column named id. You may define a primarykey property to override this convention. Likewise, you may define a connection property to override the name of the database connection that should be used when utilizing the model.

Once a model is defined, you are ready to start retrieving and creating records in your table. Note that you will need to place updated\_at and created\_at columns on your table by default. If you do not wish to have these columns automatically maintained, set the \$timestamps property on your model to false.

### **Retrieving All Records**

```
$users = User::all();
```

### Retrieving A Record By Primary Key

```
$user = User::find(1);
var_dump($user->name);
```

**Note:** All methods available on the <u>query builder</u> are also available when querying Eloquent models.

### Retrieving A Model By Primary Key Or Throw An Exception

Sometimes you may wish to throw an exception if a model is not found. To do this, you may use the firstorFail method:

```
$model = User::findOrFail(1);
$model = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->firstOrFail();
```

Doing this will let you catch the exception so you can log and display an error page as necessary. To catch the ModelNotFoundException, add some logic to your app/Exceptions/Handler.php file.

```
use Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\ModelNotFoundException;
class Handler extends ExceptionHandler {
    public function render($request, Exception $e)
    {
        if ($e instanceof ModelNotFoundException)
        {
            // Custom logic for model not found...
        }
        return parent::render($request, $e);
}
```

### **Querying Using Eloquent Models**

```
$users = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->take(10)->get();
foreach ($users as $user)
{
```

```
var_dump($user->name);
}
```

#### **Eloquent Aggregates**

Of course, you may also use the query builder aggregate functions.

```
$count = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->count();
```

If you are unable to generate the query you need via the fluent interface, feel free to use whereRaw:

```
$users = User::whereRaw('age > ? and votes = 100', [25])->get();
```

#### **Chunking Results**

If you need to process a lot (thousands) of Eloquent records, using the chunk command will allow you to do without eating all of your RAM:

```
User::chunk(200, function($users)
{
    foreach ($users as $user)
    {
        //
    }
});
```

The first argument passed to the method is the number of records you wish to receive per "chunk". The Closure passed as the second argument will be called for each chunk that is pulled from the database.

#### **Specifying The Query Connection**

You may also specify which database connection should be used when running an Eloquent query. Simply use the on method:

```
$user = User::on('connection-name')->find(1);
```

If you are using <u>read / write connections</u>, you may force the query to use the "write" connection with the following method:

```
$user = User::onWriteConnection()->find(1);
```

# **Mass Assignment**

When creating a new model, you pass an array of attributes to the model constructor. These attributes are then assigned to the model via mass-assignment. This is convenient; however, can be a **serious** security concern when blindly passing user input into a model. If user input is blindly passed into a model, the user is free to modify **any** and **all** of the model's attributes. For this reason, all Eloquent models protect against mass-assignment by default.

To get started, set the fillable or guarded properties on your model.

### **Defining Fillable Attributes On A Model**

The fillable property specifies which attributes should be mass-assignable. This can be set at the class or instance level.

```
class User extends Model {
```

```
protected $fillable = ['first_name', 'last_name', 'email'];
}
```

In this example, only the three listed attributes will be mass-assignable.

### **Defining Guarded Attributes On A Model**

The inverse of fillable is guarded, and serves as a "black-list" instead of a "white-list":

```
class User extends Model {
    protected $guarded = ['id', 'password'];
}
```

**Note:** When using guarded, you should still never pass Input::get() or any raw array of user controlled input into a save or update method, as any column that is not guarded may be updated.

### **Blocking All Attributes From Mass Assignment**

In the example above, the id and password attributes may **not** be mass assigned. All other attributes will be mass assignable. You may also block **all** attributes from mass assignment using the guard property:

```
protected $guarded = ['*'];
```

## **Insert, Update, Delete**

To create a new record in the database from a model, simply create a new model instance and call the save method.

### Saving A New Model

```
$user = new User;
$user->name = 'John';
$user->save();
```

**Note:** Typically, your Eloquent models will have auto-incrementing keys. However, if you wish to specify your own keys, set the incrementing property on your model to false.

You may also use the create method to save a new model in a single line. The inserted model instance will be returned to you from the method. However, before doing so, you will need to specify either a fillable or guarded attribute on the model, as all Eloquent models protect against mass-assignment.

After saving or creating a new model that uses auto-incrementing IDs, you may retrieve the ID by accessing the object's id attribute:

```
$insertedId = $user->id;
```

### **Setting The Guarded Attributes On The Model**

```
class User extends Model {
    protected $guarded = ['id', 'account_id'];
```

}

#### **Using The Model Create Method**

```
// Create a new user in the database...
$user = User::create(['name' => 'John']);

// Retrieve the user by the attributes, or create it if it doesn't
exist...
$user = User::firstOrCreate(['name' => 'John']);

// Retrieve the user by the attributes, or instantiate a new instance...
$user = User::firstOrNew(['name' => 'John']);
```

### **Updating A Retrieved Model**

To update a model, you may retrieve it, change an attribute, and use the save method:

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->email = 'john@foo.com';
$user->save();
```

### Saving A Model And Relationships

Sometimes you may wish to save not only a model, but also all of its relationships. To do so, you may use the push method:

```
$user->push();
```

You may also run updates as queries against a set of models:

```
$affectedRows = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->update(['status' => 2]);
```

**Note:** No model events are fired when updating a set of models via the Eloquent query builder.

### **Deleting An Existing Model**

To delete a model, simply call the delete method on the instance:

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->delete();
```

### **Deleting An Existing Model By Key**

```
User::destroy(1);
User::destroy([1, 2, 3]);
User::destroy(1, 2, 3);
```

Of course, you may also run a delete query on a set of models:

```
$affectedRows = User::where('votes', '>', 100)->delete();
```

#### **Updating Only The Model's Timestamps**

If you wish to simply update the timestamps on a model, you may use the touch method:

```
$user->touch();
```

## **Soft Deleting**

When soft deleting a model, it is not actually removed from your database. Instead, a deleted\_at timestamp is set on the record. To enable soft deletes for a model, apply the softDeletes to the model:

```
use Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\SoftDeletes;
class User extends Model {
   use SoftDeletes;
   protected $dates = ['deleted_at'];
}
```

To add a deleted\_at column to your table, you may use the softDeletes method from a migration:

```
$table->softDeletes();
```

Now, when you call the delete method on the model, the deleted\_at column will be set to the current timestamp. When querying a model that uses soft deletes, the "deleted" models will not be included in query results.

### Forcing Soft Deleted Models Into Results

To force soft deleted models to appear in a result set, use the withTrashed method on the query:

```
$users = User::withTrashed()->where('account_id', 1)->get();
```

The withTrashed method may be used on a defined relationship:

```
$user->posts()->withTrashed()->get();
```

If you wish to **only** receive soft deleted models in your results, you may use the onlyTrashed method:

```
$users = User::onlyTrashed()->where('account_id', 1)->get();
```

To restore a soft deleted model into an active state, use the restore method:

```
$user->restore();
```

You may also use the restore method on a query:

```
User::withTrashed()->where('account_id', 1)->restore();
```

Like with withTrashed, the restore method may also be used on relationships:

```
$user->posts()->restore();
```

If you wish to truly remove a model from the database, you may use the forceDelete method:

```
$user->forceDelete();
```

The forceDelete method also works on relationships:

```
$user->posts()->forceDelete();
```

To determine if a given model instance has been soft deleted, you may use the trashed method:

## **Timestamps**

By default, Eloquent will maintain the created\_at and updated\_at columns on your database table automatically. Simply add these timestamp columns to your table and Eloquent will take care of the rest. If you do not wish for Eloquent to maintain these columns, add the following property to your model:

### **Disabling Auto Timestamps**

```
class User extends Model {
   protected $table = 'users';
   public $timestamps = false;
}
```

### **Providing A Custom Timestamp Format**

If you wish to customize the format of your timestamps, you may override the getDateFormat method in your model:

```
class User extends Model {
    protected function getDateFormat()
    {
        return 'U';
    }
}
```

# **Query Scopes**

### **Defining A Query Scope**

Scopes allow you to easily re-use query logic in your models. To define a scope, simply prefix a model method with scope:

```
class User extends Model {
   public function scopePopular($query)
   {
      return $query->where('votes', '>', 100);
   }
   public function scopeWomen($query)
   {
      return $query->whereGender('W');
   }
}
```

### **Utilizing A Query Scope**

```
$users = User::popular()->women()->orderBy('created_at')->get();
```

#### **Dynamic Scopes**

Sometimes you may wish to define a scope that accepts parameters. Just add your parameters to your scope function:

```
class User extends Model {
   public function scopeOfType($query, $type)
   {
      return $query->whereType($type);
   }
}
```

Then pass the parameter into the scope call:

```
$users = User::ofType('member')->get();
```

## **Global Scopes**

Sometimes you may wish to define a scope that applies to all queries performed on a model. In essence, this is how Eloquent's own "soft delete" feature works. Global scopes are defined using a combination of PHP traits and an implementation of Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\ScopeInterface.

First, let's define a trait. For this example, we'll use the softDeletes that ships with Laravel:

```
trait SoftDeletes {
    /**
    * Boot the soft deleting trait for a model.
    *
    * @return void
    */
    public static function bootSoftDeletes()
    {
        static::addGlobalScope(new SoftDeletingScope);
    }
}
```

If an Eloquent model uses a trait that has a method matching the bootNameOfTrait naming convention, that trait method will be called when the Eloquent model is booted, giving you an opportunity to register a global scope, or do anything else you want. A scope must implement scopeInterface, which specifies two methods: apply and remove.

The apply method receives an <code>illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Builder</code> query builder object and the <code>Model</code> it's applied to, and is responsible for adding any additional <code>where</code> clauses that the scope wishes to add. The <code>remove</code> method also receives a <code>Builder</code> object and <code>Model</code> and is responsible for reversing the action taken by <code>apply</code>. In other words, <code>remove</code> should remove the <code>where</code> clause (or any other clause) that was added. So, for our <code>SoftDeletingScope</code>, the methods look something like this:

```
/**
  * Apply the scope to a given Eloquent query builder.
  * @param \Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Builder $builder
  * @param \Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Model $model
  * @return void
  */
public function apply(Builder $builder, Model $model)
{
    $builder->whereNull($model->getQualifiedDeletedAtColumn());
```

```
$this->extend($builder);
* Remove the scope from the given Eloquent query builder.
* @param
           \Illuminate\Database\Eloguent\Builder $builder
* @param \Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Model $model
* @return void
public function remove(Builder $builder, Model $model)
    $column = $model->getQualifiedDeletedAtColumn();
    $query = $builder->getOuery();
    foreach ((array) $query->wheres as $key => $where)
        // If the where clause is a soft delete date constraint, we will
remove it from
        // the query and reset the keys on the wheres. This allows this
developer to
        // include deleted model in a relationship result set that is lazy
loaded.
        if ($this->isSoftDeleteConstraint($where, $column))
        {
            unset($query->wheres[$key]);
            $query->wheres = array_values($query->wheres);
        }
    }
```

## Relationships

Of course, your database tables are probably related to one another. For example, a blog post may have many comments, or an order could be related to the user who placed it. Eloquent makes managing and working with these relationships easy. Laravel supports many types of relationships:

- One To One
- One To Many
- Many To Many
- Has Many Through
- Polymorphic Relations
- Many To Many Polymorphic Relations

### One To One

#### **Defining A One To One Relation**

A one-to-one relationship is a very basic relation. For example, a user model might have one Phone. We can define this relation in Eloquent:

```
class User extends Model {
   public function phone()
   {
      return $this->hasOne('App\Phone');
   }
}
```

The first argument passed to the hasone method is the name of the related model. Once the relationship is defined, we may retrieve it using Eloquent's <u>dynamic</u> <u>properties</u>:

```
$phone = User::find(1)->phone;
```

The SQL performed by this statement will be as follows:

```
select * from users where id = 1
select * from phones where user id = 1
```

Take note that Eloquent assumes the foreign key of the relationship based on the model name. In this case, Phone model is assumed to use a user\_id foreign key. If you wish to override this convention, you may pass a second argument to the hasone method. Furthermore, you may pass a third argument to the method to specify which local column that should be used for the association:

```
return $this->hasOne('App\Phone', 'foreign_key');
return $this->hasOne('App\Phone', 'foreign_key', 'local_key');
```

### **Defining The Inverse Of A Relation**

To define the inverse of the relationship on the Phone model, we use the belongs to method:

```
class Phone extends Model {
    public function user()
    {
        return $this->belongsTo('App\User');
    }
}
```

In the example above, Eloquent will look for a user\_id column on the phones table. If you would like to define a different foreign key column, you may pass it as the second argument to the belongs method:

```
class Phone extends Model {
    public function user()
    {
        return $this->belongsTo('App\User', 'local_key');
    }
}
```

Additionally, you pass a third parameter which specifies the name of the associated column on the parent table:

```
class Phone extends Model {
    public function user()
    {
        return $this->belongsTo('App\User', 'local_key', 'parent_key');
    }
}
```

### One To Many

An example of a one-to-many relation is a blog post that "has many" comments. We can model this relation like so:

```
class Post extends Model {
   public function comments()
   {
      return $this->hasMany('App\Comment');
```

```
}
```

Now we can access the post's comments through the <u>dynamic property</u>:

```
$comments = Post::find(1)->comments;
```

If you need to add further constraints to which comments are retrieved, you may call the comments method and continue chaining conditions:

```
$comments = Post::find(1)->comments()->where('title', '=', 'foo')-
>first();
```

Again, you may override the conventional foreign key by passing a second argument to the hasMany method. And, like the hasone relation, the local column may also be specified:

```
return $this->hasMany('App\Comment', 'foreign_key');
return $this->hasMany('App\Comment', 'foreign key', 'local key');
```

### **Defining The Inverse Of A Relation**

To define the inverse of the relationship on the comment model, we use the belongs to method:

```
class Comment extends Model {
    public function post()
    {
        return $this->belongsTo('App\Post');
    }
}
```

### Many To Many

Many-to-many relations are a more complicated relationship type. An example of such a relationship is a user with many roles, where the roles are also shared by other users. For example, many users may have the role of "Admin". Three database tables are needed for this relationship: users, roles, and role\_user. The role\_user table is derived from the alphabetical order of the related model names, and should have user\_id and role\_id columns.

We can define a many-to-many relation using the belongsToMany method:

```
class User extends Model {
    public function roles()
    {
        return $this->belongsToMany('App\Role');
    }
}
```

Now, we can retrieve the roles through the user model:

```
$roles = User::find(1)->roles;
```

If you would like to use an unconventional table name for your pivot table, you may pass it as the second argument to the belongstomany method:

```
return $this->belongsToMany('App\Role', 'user_roles');
```

You may also override the conventional associated keys:

```
return $this->belongsToMany('App\Role', 'user_roles', 'user_id',
'foo_id');
```

Of course, you may also define the inverse of the relationship on the Role model:

```
class Role extends Model {
    public function users()
    {
        return $this->belongsToMany('App\User');
    }
}
```

### **Has Many Through**

The "has many through" relation provides a convenient short-cut for accessing distant relations via an intermediate relation. For example, a country model might have many Post through a User model. The tables for this relationship would look like this:

```
countries
   id - integer
   name - string

users
   id - integer
   country_id - integer
   name - string

posts
   id - integer
   user_id - integer
   title - string
```

Even though the posts table does not contain a country\_id column, the hasManyThrough relation will allow us to access a country's posts via \$country->posts. Let's define the relationship:

```
class Country extends Model {
    public function posts()
    {
        return $this->hasManyThrough('App\Post', 'App\User');
    }
}
```

If you would like to manually specify the keys of the relationship, you may pass them as the third and fourth arguments to the method:

```
class Country extends Model {
    public function posts()
    {
        return $this->hasManyThrough('App\Post', 'App\User', 'country_id',
        'user_id');
    }
}
```

### **Polymorphic Relations**

Polymorphic relations allow a model to belong to more than one other model, on a single association. For example, you might have a photo model that belongs to

either a staff model or an order model. We would define this relation like so:

```
class Photo extends Model {
    public function imageable()
    {
        return $this->morphTo();
    }
}
class Staff extends Model {
    public function photos()
      {
        return $this->morphMany('App\Photo', 'imageable');
    }
}
class Order extends Model {
    public function photos()
    {
        return $this->morphMany('App\Photo', 'imageable');
    }
}
```

### **Retrieving A Polymorphic Relation**

Now, we can retrieve the photos for either a staff member or an order:

### **Retrieving The Owner Of A Polymorphic Relation**

However, the true "polymorphic" magic is when you access the staff or order from the Photo model:

```
$photo = Photo::find(1);
$imageable = $photo->imageable;
```

The imageable relation on the Photo model will return either a staff or order instance, depending on which type of model owns the photo.

### **Polymorphic Relation Table Structure**

To help understand how this works, let's explore the database structure for a polymorphic relation:

```
staff
   id - integer
   name - string

orders
   id - integer
   price - integer

photos
   id - integer
   path - string
```

```
imageable_id - integer
imageable_type - string
```

The key fields to notice here are the <code>imageable\_id</code> and <code>imageable\_type</code> on the <code>photos</code> table. The ID will contain the ID value of, in this example, the owning staff or order, while the type will contain the class name of the owning model. This is what allows the ORM to determine which type of owning model to return when accessing the <code>imageable</code> relation.

### **Many To Many Polymorphic Relations**

### **Polymorphic Many To Many Relation Table Structure**

In addition to traditional polymorphic relations, you may also specify many-to-many polymorphic relations. For example, a blog Post and Video model could share a polymorphic relation to a Tag model. First, let's examine the table structure:

```
posts
    id - integer
    name - string

videos
    id - integer
    name - string

tags
    id - integer
    name - string

taggables
    tag_id - integer
    taggable_id - integer
    taggable_type - string
```

Next, we're ready to setup the relationships on the model. The Post and Video model will both have a morphtomany relationship via a tags method:

```
class Post extends Model {
    public function tags()
    {
        return $this->morphToMany('App\Tag', 'taggable');
    }
}
```

The Tag model may define a method for each of its relationships:

```
class Tag extends Model {
    public function posts()
    {
        return $this->morphedByMany('App\Post', 'taggable');
    }
    public function videos()
    {
        return $this->morphedByMany('App\Video', 'taggable');
    }
}
```

# **Querying Relations**

**Querying Relations When Selecting** 

When accessing the records for a model, you may wish to limit your results based on the existence of a relationship. For example, you wish to pull all blog posts that have at least one comment. To do so, you may use the has method:

```
$posts = Post::has('comments')->get();
```

You may also specify an operator and a count:

```
$posts = Post::has('comments', '>=', 3)->get();
```

Nested has statements may also be constructed using "dot" notation:

```
$posts = Post::has('comments.votes')->get();
```

If you need even more power, you may use the whereHas and orWhereHas methods to put "where" conditions on your has queries:

```
$posts = Post::whereHas('comments', function($q)
{
      $q->where('content', 'like', 'foo%');
})->get();
```

### **Dynamic Properties**

Eloquent allows you to access your relations via dynamic properties. Eloquent will automatically load the relationship for you, and is even smart enough to know whether to call the get (for one-to-many relationships) or first (for one-to-one relationships) method. It will then be accessible via a dynamic property by the same name as the relation. For example, with the following model \$phone:

```
class Phone extends Model {
    public function user()
    {
        return $this->belongsTo('App\User');
    }
}
$phone = Phone::find(1);
Instead of echoing the user's email like this:
echo $phone->user()->first()->email;
It may be shortened to simply:
echo $phone->user->email;
```

**Note:** Relationships that return many results will return an instance of the Illuminate\Database\Eloquent\Collection class.

# **Eager Loading**

Eager loading exists to alleviate the N+1 query problem. For example, consider a Book model that is related to Author. The relationship is defined like so:

```
class Book extends Model {
   public function author()
   {
      return $this->belongsTo('App\Author');
   }
```

```
Now, consider the following code:
foreach (Book::all() as $book)
{
    echo $book->author->name;
```

This loop will execute 1 query to retrieve all of the books on the table, then another query for each book to retrieve the author. So, if we have 25 books, this loop would run 26 queries.

Thankfully, we can use eager loading to drastically reduce the number of queries. The relationships that should be eager loaded may be specified via the with method:

```
foreach (Book::with('author')->get() as $book)
{
    echo $book->author->name;
}
```

In the loop above, only two queries will be executed:

```
select * from books
select * from authors where id in (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...)
```

Wise use of eager loading can drastically increase the performance of your application.

Of course, you may eager load multiple relationships at one time:

```
$books = Book::with('author', 'publisher')->get();
```

You may even eager load nested relationships:

```
$books = Book::with('author.contacts')->get();
```

In the example above, the author relationship will be eager loaded, and the author's contacts relation will also be loaded.

### **Eager Load Constraints**

Sometimes you may wish to eager load a relationship, but also specify a condition for the eager load. Here's an example:

In this example, we're eager loading the user's posts, but only if the post's title column contains the word "first".

Of course, eager loading Closures aren't limited to "constraints". You may also apply orders:

```
$users = User::with(['posts' => function($query)
{
      $query->orderBy('created_at', 'desc');
}])->get();
```

### **Lazy Eager Loading**

It is also possible to eagerly load related models directly from an already existing model collection. This may be useful when dynamically deciding whether to load related models or not, or in combination with caching.

## **Inserting Related Models**

### **Attaching A Related Model**

You will often need to insert new related models. For example, you may wish to insert a new comment for a post. Instead of manually setting the post\_id foreign key on the model, you may insert the new comment from its parent post model directly:

```
$comment = new Comment(['message' => 'A new comment.']);
$post = Post::find(1);
$comment = $post->comments()->save($comment);
```

In this example, the post\_id field will automatically be set on the inserted comment.

If you need to save multiple related models:

```
$comments = [
    new Comment(['message' => 'A new comment.']),
    new Comment(['message' => 'Another comment.']),
    new Comment(['message' => 'The latest comment.'])
];

$post = Post::find(1);

$post->comments()->saveMany($comments);
```

### **Associating Models (Belongs To)**

When updating a belongsto relationship, you may use the associate method. This method will set the foreign key on the child model:

```
$account = Account::find(10);
$user->account()->associate($account);
$user->save():
```

## **Inserting Related Models (Many To Many)**

You may also insert related models when working with many-to-many relations. Let's continue using our user and Role models as examples. We can easily attach new roles to a user using the attach method:

### **Attaching Many To Many Models**

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->roles()->attach(1);
```

You may also pass an array of attributes that should be stored on the pivot table for the relation:

```
$user->roles()->attach(1, ['expires' => $expires]);
```

Of course, the opposite of attach is detach:

```
$user->roles()->detach(1);
```

Both attach and detach also take arrays of IDs as input:

```
$user = User::find(1);
$user->roles()->detach([1, 2, 3]);
$user->roles()->attach([1 => ['attribute1' => 'value1'], 2, 3]);
```

### **Using Sync To Attach Many To Many Models**

You may also use the sync method to attach related models. The sync method accepts an array of IDs to place on the pivot table. After this operation is complete, only the IDs in the array will be on the intermediate table for the model:

```
$user->roles()->sync([1, 2, 3]);
```

#### **Adding Pivot Data When Syncing**

You may also associate other pivot table values with the given IDs:

```
$user->roles()->sync([1 => ['expires' => true]]);
```

Sometimes you may wish to create a new related model and attach it in a single command. For this operation, you may use the save method:

```
$role = new Role(['name' => 'Editor']);
User::find(1)->roles()->save($role);
```

In this example, the new Role model will be saved and attached to the user model. You may also pass an array of attributes to place on the joining table for this operation:

```
User::find(1)->roles()->save($role, ['expires' => $expires]);
```

# **Touching Parent Timestamps**

When a model belongs to a post, it is often helpful to update the parent's timestamp when the child model is updated. For example, when a comment model is updated, you may want to automatically touch the updated\_at timestamp of the owning post. Eloquent makes it easy. Just add a touches property containing the names of the relationships to the child model:

```
class Comment extends Model {
    protected $touches = ['post'];
```

```
public function post()
{
    return $this->belongsTo('App\Post');
}
```

Now, when you update a comment, the owning Post will have its updated\_at column updated:

```
$comment = Comment::find(1);
$comment->text = 'Edit to this comment!';
$comment->save();
```

# **Working With Pivot Tables**

As you have already learned, working with many-to-many relations requires the presence of an intermediate table. Eloquent provides some very helpful ways of interacting with this table. For example, let's assume our user object has many Role objects that it is related to. After accessing this relationship, we may access the pivot table on the models:

```
$user = User::find(1);
foreach ($user->roles as $role)
{
    echo $role->pivot->created_at;
}
```

Notice that each Role model we retrieve is automatically assigned a pivot attribute. This attribute contains a model representing the intermediate table, and may be used as any other Eloquent model.

By default, only the keys will be present on the pivot object. If your pivot table contains extra attributes, you must specify them when defining the relationship:

```
return $this->belongsToMany('App\Role')->withPivot('foo', 'bar');
```

Now the foo and bar attributes will be accessible on our pivot object for the Role model.

If you want your pivot table to have automatically maintained created\_at and updated\_at timestamps, use the withTimestamps method on the relationship definition:

```
return $this->belongsToMany('App\Role')->withTimestamps();
```

### **Deleting Records On A Pivot Table**

To delete all records on the pivot table for a model, you may use the detach method:

```
User::find(1)->roles()->detach();
```

Note that this operation does not delete records from the roles table, but only from the pivot table.

# **Updating A Record On A Pivot Table**

Sometimes you may need to update your pivot table, but not detach it. If you wish to update your pivot table in place you may use updateExistingPivot method like

```
So:
User::find(1)->roles()->updateExistingPivot($roleId, $attributes);
```

### **Defining A Custom Pivot Model**

Laravel also allows you to define a custom Pivot model. To define a custom model, first create your own "Base" model class that extends <code>floquent</code>. In your other Eloquent models, extend this custom base model instead of the default <code>floquent</code> base. In your base model, add the following function that returns an instance of your custom Pivot model:

```
public function newPivot(Model $parent, array $attributes, $table,
$exists)
{
    return new YourCustomPivot($parent, $attributes, $table, $exists);
}
```

# **Collections**

All multi-result sets returned by Eloquent, either via the get method or a relationship, will return a collection object. This object implements the IteratorAggregate PHP interface so it can be iterated over like an array. However, this object also has a variety of other helpful methods for working with result sets.

# **Checking If A Collection Contains A Key**

For example, we may determine if a result set contains a given primary key using the contains method:

Collections may also be converted to an array or JSON:

```
$roles = User::find(1)->roles->toArray();
$roles = User::find(1)->roles->toJson();
```

If a collection is cast to a string, it will be returned as JSON:

```
$roles = (string) User::find(1)->roles;
```

# **Iterating Collections**

Eloquent collections also contain a few helpful methods for looping and filtering the items they contain:

# **Filtering Collections**

When filtering collections, the callback provided will be used as callback for <u>array\_filter</u>.

```
$users = $users->filter(function($user)
{
    return $user->isAdmin();
});
```

**Note:** When filtering a collection and converting it to JSON, try calling the values function first to reset the array's keys.

# **Applying A Callback To Each Collection Object**

# Sorting A Collection By A Value

```
$roles = $roles->sortBy(function($role)
{
    return $role->created_at;
});

$roles = $roles->sortByDesc(function($role)
{
    return $role->created_at;
});
```

# **Sorting A Collection By A Value**

```
$roles = $roles->sortBy('created_at');
$roles = $roles->sortByDesc('created_at');
```

### **Returning A Custom Collection Type**

Sometimes, you may wish to return a custom Collection object with your own added methods. You may specify this on your Eloquent model by overriding the newCollection method:

```
class User extends Model {
   public function newCollection(array $models = [])
   {
      return new CustomCollection($models);
   }
}
```

# **Accessors & Mutators**

# **Defining An Accessor**

Eloquent provides a convenient way to transform your model attributes when getting or setting them. Simply define a getFooAttribute method on your model to declare an accessor. Keep in mind that the methods should follow camel-casing, even though your database columns are snake-case:

```
class User extends Model {
   public function getFirstNameAttribute($value)
   {
      return ucfirst($value);
}
```

}

In the example above, the first\_name column has an accessor. Note that the value of the attribute is passed to the accessor.

### **Defining A Mutator**

Mutators are declared in a similar fashion:

```
class User extends Model {
    public function setFirstNameAttribute($value)
    {
        $this->attributes['first_name'] = strtolower($value);
    }
}
```

# **Date Mutators**

By default, Eloquent will convert the <code>created\_at</code> and <code>updated\_at</code> columns to instances of <a href="Carbon">Carbon</a>, which provides an assortment of helpful methods, and extends the native PHP <code>DateTime</code> class.

You may customize which fields are automatically mutated, and even completely disable this mutation, by overriding the getDates method of the model:

```
public function getDates()
{
    return ['created_at'];
}
```

When a column is considered a date, you may set its value to a UNIX timestamp, date string (y-m-d), date-time string, and of course a DateTime / Carbon instance.

To totally disable date mutations, simply return an empty array from the getDates method:

```
public function getDates()
{
    return [];
}
```

# **Attribute Casting**

If you have some attributes that you want to always convert to another data-type, you may add the attribute to the casts property of your model. Otherwise, you will have to define a mutator for each of the attributes, which can be time consuming. Here is an example of using the casts property:

```
/**
  * The attributes that should be casted to native types.
  *
  * @var array
  */
protected $casts = [
    'is_admin' => 'boolean',
];
```

Now the is\_admin attribute will always be cast to a boolean when you access it, even if the underlying value is stored in the database as an integer. Other supported cast types are: integer, real, float, double, string, boolean, object and array.

The array cast is particularly useful for working with columns that are stored as serialized JSON. For example, if your database has a TEXT type field that contains serialized JSON, adding the array cast to that attribute will automatically describing the attribute to a PHP array when you access it on your Eloquent model:

```
/**
 * The attributes that should be casted to native types.
 *
 * @var array
 */
protected $casts = [
    'options' => 'array',
];

Now, when you utilize the Eloquent model:

$user = User::find(1);

// $options is an array...
$options = $user->options;

// options is automatically serialized back to JSON...
$user->options = ['foo' => 'bar'];
```

# **Model Events**

Eloquent models fire several events, allowing you to hook into various points in the model's lifecycle using the following methods: creating, created, updating, updated, saving, saved, deleting, deleted, restoring, restored.

Whenever a new item is saved for the first time, the creating and created events will fire. If an item is not new and the save method is called, the updating / updated events will fire. In both cases, the saving / saved events will fire.

# **Cancelling Save Operations Via Events**

If false is returned from the creating, updating, saving, or deleting events, the action will be cancelled:

```
User::creating(function($user)
{
    if ( ! $user->isValid()) return false;
});
```

# Where To Register Event Listeners

Your EventServiceProvider serves as a convenient place to register your model event bindings. For example:

# **Model Observers**

To consolidate the handling of model events, you may register a model observer. An observer class may have methods that correspond to the various model events. For example, creating, updating, saving methods may be on an observer, in addition to any other model event name.

So, for example, a model observer might look like this:

You may register an observer instance using the observe method:

```
User::observe(new UserObserver);
```

# **Model URL Generation**

When you pass a model to the route or action methods, it's primary key is inserted into the generated URI. For example:

```
Route::get('user/{user}', 'UserController@show');
action('UserController@show', [$user]);
```

In this example the <code>\$user->id</code> property will be inserted into the <code>{user}</code> place-holder of the generated URL. However, if you would like to use another property instead of the ID, you may override the <code>getRouteKey</code> method on your model:

```
public function getRouteKey()
{
    return $this->slug;
}
```

# **Converting To Arrays / JSON**

### Converting A Model To An Array

When building JSON APIs, you may often need to convert your models and relationships to arrays or JSON. So, Eloquent includes methods for doing so. To convert a model and its loaded relationship to an array, you may use the toarray method:

```
$user = User::with('roles')->first();
return $user->toArray();
```

Note that entire collections of models may also be converted to arrays:

```
return User::all()->toArray();
```

# Converting A Model To JSON

To convert a model to JSON, you may use the toJson method:

```
return User::find(1)->toJson();
```

### **Returning A Model From A Route**

Note that when a model or collection is cast to a string, it will be converted to JSON, meaning you can return Eloquent objects directly from your application's routes!

```
Route::get('users', function()
{
    return User::all();
}):
```

### **Hiding Attributes From Array Or JSON Conversion**

Sometimes you may wish to limit the attributes that are included in your model's array or JSON form, such as passwords. To do so, add a hidden property definition to your model:

```
class User extends Model {
    protected $hidden = ['password'];
}
```

**Note:** When hiding relationships, use the relationship's **method** name, not the dynamic accessor name.

Alternatively, you may use the visible property to define a white-list:

```
protected $visible = ['first_name', 'last_name'];
```

Occasionally, you may need to add array attributes that do not have a corresponding column in your database. To do so, simply define an accessor for the value:

```
public function getIsAdminAttribute()
{
    return $this->attributes['admin'] == 'yes';
}
```

Once you have created the accessor, just add the value to the appends property on the model:

```
protected $appends = ['is_admin'];
```

Once the attribute has been added to the appends list, it will be included in both the model's array and JSON forms. Attributes in the appends array respect the visible and hidden configuration on the model.

### **Database**

# Schema Builder

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# Introduction

The Laravel schema class provides a database agnostic way of manipulating tables. It works well with all of the databases supported by Laravel, and has a unified API across all of these systems.

# **Creating & Dropping Tables**

To create a new database table, the schema::create method is used:

```
Schema::create('users', function($table)
{
    $table->increments('id');
});
```

The first argument passed to the create method is the name of the table, and the second is a closure which will receive a Blueprint object which may be used to define the new table.

To rename an existing database table, the rename method may be used:

```
Schema::rename($from, $to);
```

To specify which connection the schema operation should take place on, use the Schema::connection method:

```
Schema::connection('foo')->create('users', function($table)
{
    $table->increments('id');
});
```

To drop a table, you may use the schema::drop method:

```
Schema::drop('users');
Schema::dropIfExists('users');
```

# **Adding Columns**

To update an existing table, we will use the schema::table method:

```
Schema::table('users', function($table)
{
    $table->string('email');
});
```

The table builder contains a variety of column types that you may use when building your tables:

### Command

### **Description**

```
Stable-
                            Incrementing ID using a "big integer" equivalent
>bigIncrements('id');
Stable-
                            BIGINT equivalent to the table
>bigInteger('votes');
                            BLOB equivalent to the table
$table->binary('data');
Stable-
                             BOOLEAN equivalent to the table
>boolean('confirmed');
                            CHAR equivalent with a length
$table->char('name', 4);
$table->date('created at'); DATE equivalent to the table
$table-
                            DATETIME equivalent to the table
>dateTime('created_at');
$table->decimal('amount',
                            DECIMAL equivalent with a precision and scale
5, 2);
                            DOUBLE equivalent with precision, 15 digits in
$table->double('column',
                            total and 8 after the decimal point
15, 8);
$table->enum('choices',
                            ENUM equivalent to the table
['foo', 'bar']);
                            FLOAT equivalent to the table
$table->float('amount');
                            Incrementing ID to the table (primary key)
$table->increments('id');
                            INTEGER equivalent to the table
$table->integer('votes');
                            JSON equivalent to the table
$table->json('options');
$table->jsonb('options');
                            JSONB equivalent to the table
Stable-
                            LONGTEXT equivalent to the table
>longText('description');
                             MEDIUMINT equivalent to the table
>mediumInteger('numbers');
$table-
                             MEDIUMTEXT equivalent to the table
>mediumText('description');
                            Adds INTEGER taggable_id and STRING
$table->morphs('taggable');
                            taggable_type
$table-
                             Same as timestamps(), except allows NULLs
>nullableTimestamps();
$table-
                            SMALLINT equivalent to the table
>smallInteger('votes');
$table-
                            TINYINT equivalent to the table
>tinyInteger('numbers');
                            Adds deleted_at column for soft deletes
$table->softDeletes();
                             VARCHAR equivalent column
$table->string('email');
$table->string('name',
                             VARCHAR equivalent with a length
100);
$table-
                            TEXT equivalent to the table
>text('description');
                            TIME equivalent to the table
$table->time('sunrise');
```

# **Command Description**

<pre>\$table-</pre>	TIMESTAMP equivalent to the table
<pre>&gt;timestamp('added_on');</pre>	
<pre>\$table-&gt;timestamps();</pre>	Adds created_at and updated_at columns
<pre>\$table-&gt;rememberToken();</pre>	$Adds \ {\tt remember\_token} \ as \ VARCHAR(100) \ NULL$
->nullable()	Designate that the column allows NULL values
->default(\$value)	Declare a default value for a column
->unsigned()	Set INTEGER to UNSIGNED

# Using After On MySQL

If you are using the MySQL database, you may use the after method to specify the order of columns:

```
$table->string('name')->after('email');
```

# **Changing Columns**

**Note:** Before changing a column, be sure to add the doctrine/dbal dependency to your composer.json file.

Sometimes you may need to modify an existing column. For example, you may wish to increase the size of a string column. The change method makes it easy! For example, let's increase the size of the name column from 25 to 50:

```
Schema::table('users', function($table)
{
    $table->string('name', 50)->change();
});
```

We could also modify a column to be nullable:

# **Renaming Columns**

To rename a column, you may use the renamecolumn method on the Schema builder. Before renaming a column, be sure to add the doctrine/dbal dependency to your composer.json file.

```
Schema::table('users', function($table)
{
    $table->renameColumn('from', 'to');
});
```

**Note:** Renaming columns in a table with enum column is currently not supported.

# **Dropping Columns**

To drop a column, you may use the dropcolumn method on the Schema builder. Before dropping a column, be sure to add the doctrine/dbal dependency to your composer.json file.

### **Dropping A Column From A Database Table**

```
Schema::table('users', function($table)
{
    $table->dropColumn('votes');
});
```

# **Dropping Multiple Columns From A Database Table**

```
Schema::table('users', function($table)
{
    $table->dropColumn(['votes', 'avatar', 'location']);
});
```

# **Checking Existence**

### **Checking For Existence Of Table**

You may easily check for the existence of a table or column using the hasTable and hasColumn methods:

```
if (Schema::hasTable('users'))
{
      //
}
```

# **Checking For Existence Of Columns**

# **Adding Indexes**

The schema builder supports several types of indexes. There are two ways to add them. First, you may fluently define them on a column definition, or you may add them separately:

```
$table->string('email')->unique();
```

Or, you may choose to add the indexes on separate lines. Below is a list of all available index types:

# Command Description \$table->primary('id'); Adding a primary key \$table->primary(['first', 'last']); Adding composite keys \$table->unique('email'); Adding a unique index \$table->index('state'); Adding a basic index

# **Foreign Keys**

Laravel also provides support for adding foreign key constraints to your tables:

```
$table->integer('user_id')->unsigned();
$table->foreign('user_id')->references('id')->on('users');
```

In this example, we are stating that the user\_id column references the id column on the users table. Make sure to create the foreign key column first!

You may also specify options for the "on delete" and "on update" actions of the constraint:

```
$table->foreign('user_id')
    ->references('id')->on('users')
    ->onDelete('cascade');
```

To drop a foreign key, you may use the dropForeign method. A similar naming convention is used for foreign keys as is used for other indexes:

```
$table->dropForeign('posts_user_id_foreign');
```

**Note:** When creating a foreign key that references an incrementing integer, remember to always make the foreign key column unsigned.

# **Dropping Indexes**

To drop an index you must specify the index's name. Laravel assigns a reasonable name to the indexes by default. Simply concatenate the table name, the names of the column in the index, and the index type. Here are some examples:

# Command StableSdropPrimary('users\_id\_primary'); table StableSdropUnique('users\_email\_unique'); "users" table StableStableSdropIndex('geo\_state\_index'); table SdropIndex('geo\_state\_index'); table StableSdropIndex('geo\_state\_index'); table

# **Dropping Timestamps & SoftDeletes**

To drop the timestamps, nullableTimestamps or softDeletes column types, you may use the following methods:

Command	Description
<pre>\$table- &gt;dropTimestamps();</pre>	Dropping the <b>created_at</b> and <b>updated_at</b> columns from the table
<pre>\$table- &gt;dropSoftDeletes();</pre>	Dropping <b>deleted_at</b> column from the table

# **Storage Engines**

To set the storage engine for a table, set the engine property on the schema builder:

```
Schema::create('users', function($table)
{
    $table->engine = 'InnoDB';
    $table->string('email');
});
```

### **Database**

# **Migrations & Seeding**

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- Database Seeding

# Introduction

Migrations are a type of version control for your database. They allow a team to modify the database schema and stay up to date on the current schema state. Migrations are typically paired with the <u>Schema Builder</u> to easily manage your application's schema.

# **Creating Migrations**

To create a migration, you may use the make:migration command on the Artisan CLI:

```
php artisan make:migration create users table
```

The migration will be placed in your database/migrations folder, and will contain a timestamp which allows the framework to determine the order of the migrations.

The --table and --create options may also be used to indicate the name of the table, and whether the migration will be creating a new table:

```
php artisan make:migration add_votes_to_users_table --table=users
php artisan make:migration create_users_table --create=users
```

# **Running Migrations**

# **Running All Outstanding Migrations**

```
php artisan migrate
```

**Note:** If you receive a "class not found" error when running migrations, try running the composer dump-autoload command.

# **Forcing Migrations In Production**

Some migration operations are destructive, meaning they may cause you to lose data. In order to protect you from running these commands against your production database, you will be prompted for confirmation before these commands are executed. To force the commands to run without a prompt, use the --force flag:

```
php artisan migrate --force
```

# **Rolling Back Migrations**

**Rollback The Last Migration Operation** 

```
php artisan migrate:rollback
```

### **Rollback all migrations**

```
php artisan migrate:reset
```

### Rollback all migrations and run them all again

```
php artisan migrate:refresh
php artisan migrate:refresh --seed
```

# **Database Seeding**

Laravel also includes a simple way to seed your database with test data using seed classes. All seed classes are stored in database/seeds. Seed classes may have any name you wish, but probably should follow some sensible convention, such as UserTableSeeder, etc. By default, a DatabaseSeeder class is defined for you. From this class, you may use the call method to run other seed classes, allowing you to control the seeding order.

# **Example Database Seed Class**

```
class DatabaseSeeder extends Seeder {
    public function run()
    {
        $this->call('UserTableSeeder');
        $this->command->info('User table seeded!');
    }
}
class UserTableSeeder extends Seeder {
    public function run()
    {
        DB::table('users')->delete();
        User::create(['email' => 'foo@bar.com']);
    }
}
```

To seed your database, you may use the db:seed command on the Artisan CLI:

```
php artisan db:seed
```

By default, the db:seed command runs the DatabaseSeeder class, which may be used to call other seed classes. However, you may use the --class option to specify a specific seeder class to run individually:

```
php artisan db:seed --class=UserTableSeeder
```

You may also seed your database using the migrate:refresh command, which will also rollback and re-run all of your migrations:

```
php artisan migrate:refresh --seed
```

### **Database**

# Redis

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# Introduction

<u>Redis</u> is an open source, advanced key-value store. It is often referred to as a data structure server since keys can contain <u>strings</u>, <u>hashes</u>, <u>lists</u>, <u>sets</u>, and <u>sorted sets</u>.

Before using Redis with Laravel, you will need to install the predis/predis package (~1.0) via Composer.

**Note:** If you have the Redis PHP extension installed via PECL, you will need to rename the alias for Redis in your config/app.php file.

# **Configuration**

The Redis configuration for your application is stored in the config/database.php file. Within this file, you will see a redis array containing the Redis servers used by your application:

```
'redis' => [
    'cluster' => true,
    'default' => ['host' => '127.0.0.1', 'port' => 6379],
],
```

The default server configuration should suffice for development. However, you are free to modify this array based on your environment. Simply give each Redis server a name, and specify the host and port used by the server.

The cluster option will tell the Laravel Redis client to perform client-side sharding across your Redis nodes, allowing you to pool nodes and create a large amount of available RAM. However, note that client-side sharding does not handle failover; therefore, is primarily suited for cached data that is available from another primary data store.

If your Redis server requires authentication, you may supply a password by adding a password key / value pair to your Redis server configuration array.

# Usage

You may get a Redis instance by calling the Redis::connection method:

```
$redis = Redis::connection();
```

This will give you an instance of the default Redis server. If you are not using server clustering, you may pass the server name to the connection method to get a specific server as defined in your Redis configuration:

```
$redis = Redis::connection('other');
```

Once you have an instance of the Redis client, we may issue any of the Redis commands to the instance. Laravel uses magic methods to pass the commands to the Redis server:

```
$redis->set('name', 'Taylor');
$name = $redis->get('name');
$values = $redis->lrange('names', 5, 10);
```

Notice the arguments to the command are simply passed into the magic method. Of course, you are not required to use the magic methods, you may also pass commands to the server using the command method:

```
$values = $redis->command('lrange', [5, 10]);
```

When you are simply executing commands against the default connection, just use static magic methods on the Redis class:

```
Redis::set('name', 'Taylor');
$name = Redis::get('name');
$values = Redis::lrange('names', 5, 10);
```

Note: Redis cache and session drivers are included with Laravel.

# **Pipelining**

Pipelining should be used when you need to send many commands to the server in one operation. To get started, use the pipeline command:

# **Piping Many Commands To Your Servers**

### **Artisan CLI**

# **Artisan CLI**

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- Calling Commands Outside Of CLI
- Scheduling Artisan Commands

# Introduction

Artisan is the name of the command-line interface included with Laravel. It provides a number of helpful commands for your use while developing your application. It is driven by the powerful Symfony Console component.

# **Usage**

# **Listing All Available Commands**

To view a list of all available Artisan commands, you may use the list command:

```
php artisan list
```

### **Viewing The Help Screen For A Command**

Every command also includes a "help" screen which displays and describes the command's available arguments and options. To view a help screen, simply precede the name of the command with help:

```
php artisan help migrate
```

# **Specifying The Configuration Environment**

You may specify the configuration environment that should be used while running a command using the --env switch:

```
php artisan migrate --env=local
```

# **Displaying Your Current Laravel Version**

You may also view the current version of your Laravel installation using the --version option:

```
php artisan --version
```

# **Calling Commands Outside Of CLI**

Sometimes you may wish to execute an Artisan command outside of the CLI. For example, you may wish to fire an Artisan command from an HTTP route. Just use the Artisan facade:

```
Route::get('/foo', function()
{
    $exitCode = Artisan::call('command:name', ['--option' => 'foo']);
    //
});
```

You may even queue Artisan commands so they are processed in the background by your <u>queue workers</u>:

```
Route::get('/foo', function()
{
    Artisan::queue('command:name', ['--option' => 'foo']);
    //
});
```

# **Scheduling Artisan Commands**

In the past, developers have generated a Cron entry for each console command they wished to schedule. However, this is a headache. Your console schedule is no longer in source control, and you must SSH into your server to add the Cron entries. Let's make our lives easier. The Laravel command scheduler allows you to fluently and expressively define your command schedule within Laravel itself, and only a single Cron entry is needed on your server.

Your command schedule is stored in the app/console/Kernel.php file. Within this class you will see a schedule method. To help you get started, a simple example is included with the method. You are free to add as many scheduled jobs as you wish to the schedule object. The only Cron entry you need to add to your server is this:

```
* * * * * php /path/to/artisan schedule:run 1>> /dev/null 2>&1
```

This Cron will call the Laravel command scheduler every minute. Then, Laravel evaluates your scheduled jobs and runs the jobs that are due. It couldn't be easier!

# **More Scheduling Examples**

Let's look at a few more scheduling examples:

### **Scheduling Closures**

```
$schedule->call(function()
{
     // Do some task...
})->hourly();
```

### **Scheduling Terminal Commands**

```
$schedule->exec('composer self-update')->daily();
```

### **Manual Cron Expression**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->cron('* * * * *');
```

# **Frequent Jobs**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->everyFiveMinutes();
$schedule->command('foo')->everyTenMinutes();
$schedule->command('foo')->everyThirtyMinutes();
```

# **Daily Jobs**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->daily();
```

# Daily Jobs At A Specific Time (24 Hour Time)

```
$schedule->command('foo')->dailyAt('15:00');
```

### **Twice Daily Jobs**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->twiceDaily();
```

### Job That Runs Every Weekday

```
$schedule->command('foo')->weekdays();
```

### Weekly Jobs

```
$schedule->command('foo')->weekly();
// Schedule weekly job for specific day (0-6) and time...
$schedule->command('foo')->weeklyOn(1, '8:00');
```

### **Monthly Jobs**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->monthly();
```

### **Job That Runs On Specific Days**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->mondays();
$schedule->command('foo')->tuesdays();
$schedule->command('foo')->wednesdays();
$schedule->command('foo')->thursdays();
$schedule->command('foo')->saturdays();
$schedule->command('foo')->sundays();
```

# **Prevent Jobs From Overlapping**

By default, scheduled jobs will be run even if the previous instance of the job is still running. To prevent this, you may use the withoutOverlapping method:

```
$schedule->command('foo')->withoutOverlapping();
```

In this example, the foo command will be run every minute if it is not already running.

# Limit The Environment The Jobs Should Run In

```
$schedule->command('foo')->monthly()->environments('production');
```

# **Indicate The Job Should Run Even When Application Is In Maintenance Mode**

```
$schedule->command('foo')->monthly()->evenInMaintenanceMode();
```

# Only Allow Job To Run When Callback Is True

```
$schedule->command('foo')->monthly()->when(function()
{
    return true;
});
```

# E-mail The Output Of A Scheduled Job

```
$schedule->command('foo')->sendOutputTo($filePath)-
>emailOutputTo('foo@example.com');
```

Note: You must send the output to a file before it can be mailed.

# Send The Output Of The Scheduled Job To A Given Location

```
$schedule->command('foo')->sendOutputTo($filePath);
```

# Ping A Given URL After The Job Runs

```
$schedule->command('foo')->thenPing($url);
```

Using the thenPing(\$url) feature requires the Guzzle HTTP library. You can add Guzzle 5 to your project by adding the following line to your composer.json file:

```
"guzzlehttp/guzzle": "~5.0"
```

### Artisan CLI

# **Artisan Development**

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- Building A Command
- Registering Commands

# Introduction

In addition to the commands provided with Artisan, you may also build your own custom commands for working with your application. You may store your custom commands in the app/console/commands directory; however, you are free to choose your own storage location as long as your commands can be autoloaded based on your composer.json settings.

# **Building A Command**

# **Generating The Class**

To create a new command, you may use the make:console Artisan command, which will generate a command stub to help you get started:

### **Generate A New Command Class**

php artisan make:console FooCommand

The command above would generate a class at app/Console/Commands/FooCommand.php.

When creating the command, the --command option may be used to assign the terminal command name:

php artisan make:console AssignUsers --command=users:assign

# **Writing The Command**

Once your command is generated, you should fill out the name and description properties of the class, which will be used when displaying your command on the list screen.

The fire method will be called when your command is executed. You may place any command logic in this method.

# **Arguments & Options**

The getarguments and getoptions methods are where you may define any arguments or options your command receives. Both of these methods return an array of commands, which are described by a list of array options.

When defining arguments, the array definition values represent the following:

[\$name, \$mode, \$description, \$defaultValue]

The argument mode may be any of the following: InputArgument::REQUIRED or InputArgument::OPTIONAL.

When defining options, the array definition values represent the following:

```
[$name, $shortcut, $mode, $description, $defaultValue]
```

For options, the argument mode may be: InputOption::VALUE\_REQUIRED, InputOption::VALUE\_OPTIONAL, InputOption::VALUE\_IS\_ARRAY, InputOption::VALUE\_NONE.

The VALUE\_IS\_ARRAY mode indicates that the switch may be used multiple times when calling the command:

```
InputOption::VALUE_REQUIRED | InputOption::VALUE_IS_ARRAY
```

Would then allow for this command:

```
php artisan foo --option=bar --option=baz
```

The VALUE NONE option indicates that the option is simply used as a "switch":

```
php artisan foo --option
```

# **Retrieving Input**

While your command is executing, you will obviously need to access the values for the arguments and options accepted by your application. To do so, you may use the argument and option methods:

### **Retrieving The Value Of A Command Argument**

```
$value = $this->argument('name');
```

# **Retrieving All Arguments**

```
$arguments = $this->argument();
```

# **Retrieving The Value Of A Command Option**

```
$value = $this->option('name');
```

# **Retrieving All Options**

```
$options = $this->option();
```

# **Writing Output**

To send output to the console, you may use the info, comment, question and error methods. Each of these methods will use the appropriate ANSI colors for their purpose.

# **Sending Information To The Console**

```
$this->info('Display this on the screen');
```

# **Sending An Error Message To The Console**

```
$this->error('Something went wrong!');
```

# **Asking Questions**

You may also use the ask and confirm methods to prompt the user for input:

# **Asking The User For Input**

```
$name = $this->ask('What is your name?');
```

### **Asking The User For Secret Input**

```
$password = $this->secret('What is the password?');
```

# **Asking The User For Confirmation**

You may also specify a default value to the confirm method, which should be true or false:

```
$this->confirm($question, true);
```

# **Calling Other Commands**

Sometimes you may wish to call other commands from your command. You may do so using the call method:

```
$this->call('command:name', ['argument' => 'foo', '--option' => 'bar']);
```

# **Registering Commands**

# Registering An Artisan Command

Once your command is finished, you need to register it with Artisan so it will be available for use. This is typically done in the app/Console/Kernel.php file. Within this file, you will find a list of commands in the commands property. To register your command, simply add it to this list.

```
protected $commands = [
    'App\Console\Commands\FooCommand'
1:
```

When Artisan boots, all the commands listed in this property will be resolved by the <u>service container</u> and registered with Artisan.