Advanced Web Programming Migration



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1 Questions

1. In **Practicum 1 - Step 5**, what is the function of the APP_KEY in the Laravel .env setting file?

It is used to encrypt the session and other data in Laravel.

2. In **Practicum 1**, how do we generate value for APP_KEY?

We can generate the value for APP_KEY by using the command php artisan key:generate.

3. In **Practicum 2.1 - Step 1**, by default how many migration files does Laravel have? and what are the migration files for?

By default, Laravel has 4 migration files. The migration files are used to create users, password resets, failed jobs, and personal access tokens.

4. By default, the migration file contains the code **\$table->timestamps()**;, what is the purpose/output of the function?

The function is used to create two columns, created_at and updated_at, which are used to store the date and time when the data was created and updated.

5. In the Migration File, there is a function **\$table->id()**; What type of data does the function return?

The function returns an unsigned big integer data type.

6. What is the difference between the migration results in the m_level table, between using \$table->id(); by using \$table->id('level_id');?

The difference is that the first one will create a column named id as the primary key, while the second one will create a column named level_id as the primary key.

7. In migrations, what is the ->unique() function used for?

The ->unique() function is used to create a unique index on a column.

8. In Practicum 2.2 - Step 2, why does the level_id column in the m_user table use \$table->unsignedBigInteger('level_id'), while the level_id column in the m_level table uses \$table->id('level_id')?

The \$table->unsignedBigInteger('level_id') is used to create a column named level_id as a foreign key, while the \$table->id('level_id') is used to create a column named level_id as the primary key.

- 9. In **Practicum 3 Step 6**, what is the purpose of the Hash Class? and what does the Hash program code mean ::make('1234'); ?
 - The Hash class is used to hash the password. The ::make('1234') code is used to hash the string 1234.
- 10. In **Practicum 4 Step 3/5/7**, in the query builder there is a question mark (?), what is the use of the question mark (?) of these?
 - The question mark (?) is used as a placeholder for the value that will be passed to the query.
- 11. In **Practicum 6 Step 3**, what is the purpose of writing protected code \$table = 'm_user'; and protected \$primaryKey = 'user_id'; ?
 - The **\$table** is used to define the table name, while the **\$primaryKey** is used to define the primary key of the table.
- 12. In your opinion, where is it easier to use in performing CRUD operations to the database (DB Façade / Query Builder / Eloquent ORM)?
 - In my opinion, it is easier to use Eloquent ORM to perform CRUD operations to the database. But, it depends on the situation and the needs of the application. Most of the time I would much prefer the query builder because it's more maintainable in the long run and easier to debug. It doesn't involve a lot of magic and it's easier to understand what's going on.

The code can be found here: https://github.com/elianiva/pwl_pos