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Introduction

The Laravel Hash facade provides secure Borypt and Argon2 hashing for storing user passwords. If you are using the built-in ${\tt LoginController}$ and ${\tt RegisterController}$ classes that are included with your Laravel application, they will use Bcrypt for registration and authentication by default.



Bcrypt is a great choice for hashing passwords because its "work factor" is adjustable, which means that the time it takes to generate a hash can be increased as hardware power increases.

Configuration

The default hashing driver for your application is configured in the config/hashing.php configuration file. There are currently three supported drivers: Bcrypt and Argon2 (Argon2i and Argon2id variants).



The Argon2i driver requires PHP 7.2.0 or greater and the Argon2id driver requires PHP 7.3.0 or greater.

#Basic Usage

You may hash a password by calling the make method on the Hash facade:

```
namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use App\Http\Controllers\Controller:
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
use Illuminate\Support\Facades\Hash;
class UpdatePasswordController extends Controller
     * Update the password for the user.
     * @param Request $request
     * @return Response
    public function update(Request $request)
        // Validate the new password length..
        $request->user()->fill([
            'password' => Hash::make($request->newPassword)
        ])->save();
```

Adjusting The Bcrypt Work Factor

If you are using the Borypt algorithm, the $\underline{\mbox{\scriptsize make}}$ method allows you to manage the work factor of the algorithm using the rounds option; however, the default is acceptable for most applications:

```
$hashed = Hash::make('password', [
   'rounds' => 12
```

Adjusting The Argon2 Work Factor

If you are using the Argon2 algorithm, the make method allows you to manage the

work factor of the algorithm using the ${\tt memory}$, ${\tt time}$, and ${\tt threads}$ options; however, the defaults are acceptable for most applications:

```
$hashed = Hash::make('password', [
   'memory' => 1024,
   'time' => 2,
   'threads' => 2,
]);
```



For more information on these options, check out the <u>official PHP documentation</u>.

Verifying A Password Against A Hash

The check method allows you to verify that a given plain-text string corresponds to a given hash. However, if you are using the LoginController included with Laravel, you will probably not need to use this directly, as this controller automatically calls this method:

```
if (Hash::check('plain-text', $hashedPassword)) {
    // The passwords match...
}
```

Checking If A Password Needs To Be Rehashed

The needsRehash function allows you to determine if the work factor used by the hasher has changed since the password was hashed:

```
if (Hash::needsRehash($hashed)) {
    $hashed = Hash::make('plain-text');
}
```

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