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## **Get Started With Laravel**

Laravel is an open-source PHP web framework. It follows the model-view-controller architectural pattern, and is based on Symfony.

To use it, you'll first need the **composer** tool, which you can install from your package manager.

Then, install the Laravel CLI as follows:

```
composer global require laravel/installer
```

If it complains about ext-zip, similar to this:

laravel/installer v2.0.1 requires ext-zip \*  $\rightarrow$  the requested PHP extension zip is missing from your system.

...then determine which version of PHP you're running, and install the appropriate PHP zip version:

```
php --version
```

sudo apt-get install php7.2-zip

After Laravel CLI is installed, you can create a new Laravel project as follows.

Example project named "blog":

laravel new blog

If the Laravel CLI complains about ext-dom, install it as follows (making sure you're referencing the correct PHP version):

sudo apt-get install php7.2-xml

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