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Documenting the experience of working on an m1 Apple computer as a Laravel programmer.

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Testing on a brand new machine, having taken these steps:

THURSDAY MID-AFTERNOON Download iTerm

Install oh-my-zsh, which prompted installing the command line developer tools

Install oh-my-zsh again

`sudo mkdir /usr/local/bin && chmod 775 /usr/local/bin` and hope that's not the wrong thing to do

Install composer and move to /usr/local/bin and wonder why i have to sudo it (`sudo mv composer.phar /usr/local/bin/composer`)

Install the Laravel installer (`composer global update laravel/installer`)

Use the installer (`mkdir ~/Sites && cd ~/Sites && laravel new m1suckazzzzz`)

Womp, no find Laravel, fix our Path. edit `~/.zshrc`, and add this line up top: `export PATH="\$PATH:\$HOME/.composer/vendor/bin"`

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Use the installer (`mkdir ~/Sites && cd ~/Sites && laravel new m1suckazzzzz`)

Read and consider this article: **Run x86 Apps including homebrew on the Terminal on Apple Silicon**, then decide nope

Decide on this one instead: Homebrew on Apple Silicon

THURSDAY
12:18AMIn iTerm, run: `arch -x86_64 /bin/bash -c "\$(curl -fsSL
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install.sh)"`. Get error:
"arch: posix_spawnp: /bin/bash: Bad CPU type in executable" ... Googling, no luck.
Gonna try again in the morning

Stubborn. Stayed up. Found answer here: https://github.com/Homebrew/brew/issues/7857#issuecomment-729726634

`/usr/sbin/softwareupdate --install-rosetta --agree-to-license`

`arch -x86_64 /bin/bash -c "\$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install.sh)"` YAY!

THURSDAY 12:28AM A few errors... `get_owner:1: command not found: stat -f` happened twice. Hit the "Press RETURN to continue or " text.. hit return a few times, tried other keys, nothing's working. Gonna let it just run overnight I guess. 12:28am

`composer require tightenco/lambo && cd ~/Sites && lambo mynewsite` .. works great \checkmark

THURSDAY 12:36AM Tried to run the Brew installer. Hangs on "Press RETURN" again. J Really to bed this time. 12:36am

THURSDAY 7:30PM Woke up to Jess Archer giving my sleep-addled brain the answer on my sudo permissions issue above, which was: you didn't chown /usr/local/bin, dummy!

I think my problem with the Homebrew installer is probably because I created the /usr/local/bin directory first and it's farting out on it, so I'm going to try to change its permissions myself. Homebrew suggests I need to make it group writeable, make

the group "admin", and make me the owner. I believe that's `sudo chown -R matthewstauffer:admin /usr/local/bin`, so let's try it!.. worked

... but the Homebrew installer is still hanging. It feels like it's not actually getting my "RETURN" press? I'm going to download it, edit it, and see if that is indeed the problem. Looks like this RETURN prompt is only used once, and it makes me wonder whether it's having trouble reading my TTY input or whatever, so I'm replace the internals of the wait_for_user method with "echo 'yay'". So I created a local copy of the file, made that change, and now I'm running it myself... `arch x86_64 /bin/bash installhomebrewh.sh`

No errors on the installer!! Let's gooooooo

Installed the latest macOS update which took several hours.

Tried to use git and got this error: xcrun: error: invalid active developer path (/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools), missing xcrun at: /Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/bin/xcrun ... let's get to googling. Google says the gool 'ol xcode-select --install, which I could've swore I already did? But let's do it again.

Hooray! Git works again! Now on to Homebrew; gonna run brew update but I have to remember to prefix it: arch $-x86_{64}$ brew which is a PITA so I'm gonna build a passthrough command arm that shortcuts that same thing.

Gonna add this to my .zshrc and see how it treats me for creating basically an ARM repl...

arm () { while read -ra c; do arch -x86_64 "\${c[@]}" done } .. womp that didn't work oh well

Huh. in my zshrc I see this flag commented out: export ARCHFLAGS="-arch x86_64" .. think i'm gonna uncomment that.

OK, let's try it the old way. `arch -x86_64 bash update`

UGHHH shoot me... back to good old arch: posix_spawnp: brew: bad CPU type in executable . WTF?! /usr/sbin/softwareupdate --install-rosetta --

agree-to-license again | guess?

HEYYY it's doing something...

arch -x86_64 brew install php

Warning: You are using macOS 11.0. We do not provide support for this released but not yet supported version. You will encounter build failures with some formulae. Please create pull requests instead of asking for help on Homebrew's GitHub, Twitter or any other official channels. You are responsible for resolving any issues you experience while you are running this released but not yet supported version.

PHP installed!

brew services start php worked!

THURSDAY 1:30PM Meetings.. back later

THURSDAY 5:19PM OK, let's go. I read the output of this blogging format and I hate it so I'm gonna fix it quickly before I get back to M1.

THURSDAY 5:44PM OK, spent literally 30 minutes tweaking the blog. Let's get to Valet. composer global require laravel/valet

Install worked with no errors. valet install let's go... asks for my password, gonna CTRL-C out and see if valet trust works on M1/Big Sur... uhhhh.. trust is not defined? Didn't I write the freaking command? It's in the docs... well.. this is not a good sign for Valet. Gonna try Valet install without running valet trust.

... so valet install is working but not valet trust? Valet installed successfully

Ahh. you can't run trust until you've run install. False alarm! Valet's installed. Let's try parking.

cd Sites && valet park .. boom. Let's make a site with Lambo and try it out!

cd Sites && lambo yourBestSiteNow let's goooo... and we're serving from yourbestsitenow.test!

Let's try valet share now. Hm.. it's showing the session, but when requests are made they're getting 404 (served by Valet!) instead of the right stuff. I'm gonna call Valet Share not working right now.

THURSDAY 6:06PM OK, let's do some Redis! Then I need dinner.

arch -x86_64 brew install redis && brew services start redis

Time to download TablePlus and see if it works. Their site only says 10.11+ so it's not officially supported... looks good so far! Creating a new Redis connection... Error setsockopt(S0_RCVTIME0) Invalid argument. That may be a Redis thing, or a TablePlus thing, or me just putting the details in wrong. Let me check my main computer's TablePlus. Nope, same settings. OK, let's test Redis somewhere else so we can figure out if the problem is Redis or TablePlus.

Let's just see if Redis is even running. redis-cli ping NOPE. OK. Homebrew *did* say it successfully started Redis. Let's see if running the start command under the different architecture matters. arch -x86_64 brew services start redis ... says it's already started. stopped and restarted it... Still this: Could not connect to Redis at 127.0.0.1:6379: Connection refused

I'm gonna say Homebrew Redis isn't working out of the box. I'll uninstall it and try non-Homebrew. Following this: https://phoenixnap.com/kb/install-redis-on-mac (Option 2)

After running `make` I see "/bin/sh: pk-config: command not found" a few times. Not a good sign!

make test .. as the output flies by I see that same error several times...

THURSDAY 6:17PM

While this runs I'm gonna go eat.

THURSDAY 7:11PM

All tests passed without errors!

9 PM	Laravel M1
THURSDAY 7:26PM	ran `sudo make install` and it gave an error and then output INSTALL install five times did that do anything? I feel like a Linux user right now.
	Read the README OK, so this was supposed to put it in the /usr/local/bin. Let's check!
	OK, yah it is there. Thought I checked but I guess I hadn't. Let's try! redis-cli ping UGH. Same problem as with Homebrew. So there's something not working. Maybe debug-able? But not for me tonight.
	Let's try some downloadable apps! Sublime Text is up first.
	Downloading build 3211 works like a charm!
	PHPStorm says they work ("Our IDEs work on Apple Silicon chips through Rosetta 2.") so I'm gonna move on to things that haven't made official statements yet.
	Let's try MySQL, PostgreSQL, and Memcached!
	Oops, got distracted watching my brother's live show. TAKE TWO. MySQL.
THURSDAY	MySQL. arch -x86_64 brew install mysql && brew services start mysql

Tested it out, and we have a functioning local <code>mysql</code>, I can access it from TablePlus, and my Laravel app is integrating with it.

THURSDAY
9:10PMOK, let's check out Postgres. I made a nice little shortcut in my .zshrc that lets
me write just arm brew install whatever, so future writing here will just show
arm .

arm brew install postgresql && brew services start postgresql ... that worked!

The way I connected to Postgres on TablePlus doesn't work unless there's a database table named the same as my computer user, and since I didn't feel like taking the time to figure out why, I just ran psql postgres and in that REPL I

8:11PM

wrote CREATE DATABASE matthewstauffer; and then hit enter. Once that was done, I could connect to this Postgres database using the default settings from TablePlus. Good to go!

OK, just checked out a ton of GUI apps that all work fine. Gonna call it for a while.

THURSDAY 10:13PM Lied. Tried OBS. Doesn't work.

FRIDAY 9:19AM

OK, got a few minutes free. What's next? I can't try Horizon without Redis. Homestead is a big lift, so I'm gonna wait on that. Memcached! Let's go!

arm brew install memcached && brew services start memcached ... ran great. Now I have to remember how to test memcached. Honestly, using it for a Laravel app's cache is probably easiest.

Whoops, now I remember! You have to install the memcached extension using PECL. Let's test PECL!

I went through half of the steps to set up PECL, only to find out it's already set up by Homebrew now!! YES! Thank God!

Now I just have to set it up for this extension. arm brew install libmemcached and then pecl install memcached .. hit enter on all the defaults... yet another one of these pkg-config errors. This one says: "pkg-config not found / configure: error: Please reinstall the pkg-config distribution / ERROR: (failure notice)"

OK, let's learn about pkg-config, cause I know nothing about it.

well, it's on Homebrew, so let's try that. arm brew install pkg-config

OK, pecl install memcached again.

FRIDAY 10:37AM

Got taken away by my actual job. Back, that threw another error: memcached support requires ZLIB. arm brew install zlib .. another meeting...

FRIDAY 1:23PM

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Sorry, day full of meetings. Hoping to finish memecached today, then I'll be back on tonight after kids' bed time trying to figure out more of them.

Ran it during a meeting, see deprecation warning for sasl_done but looks like that's just a warning for now. HEY! Installed correctly to /usr/local/Cellar/php/7.4.12/pecl/20190902/memcached.so , and they already enabled it in php.ini for me.. let's test it! OK, class memcached not found. I'm gonna have to test things, also maybe restart php... nope that didn't do it. Will need to take some time, this may very well be pebkac, not m1, I remember Memcached and pecl are a pain some times. Gotta run get the kids though.

FRIDAY 9:54PM

Checked php.ini and extension="memcached.so" is up at the top... php -i indicates memcached support is enabled and libmemcached is connected.. and in Tinker, if I run \$m = new Memcached, while it throws an error because no servers are defined, the class exists. So is this a Valet issue? Maybe that old Sock problem where Valet is hitting the wrong PHP? Yep! brew services stop php but Valet is still running. What gives, Valet? Running valet install again, because that does a more full reboot.. HEY! There we go! Memcached working!

SATURDAY 4:45PM

I had a sneaking suspicion OBS would work fine if I tried it again, so I did, and this time it successfully asked for permission to record my screen; once given, it worked. Woop!

FRIDAY 11:54AM Several folks have suggested that **prefixing redis with sudo** works temporarily. Let's test it.

Ok, sudo arch -x86_64 redis-server didn't work. I'll try reinstalling it. arm brew reinstall redis -s (-s builds from source)

Symlink failed. Force link: arm brew link --overwrite redis

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sudo arch -x86_64 redis-server take two
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Works! So if you build from source and manually run redis-server when you need it, you can make it work! I'll call this partial support, although I don't have an icon for that.

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