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Subject: Re: ERROR: 22P02: invalid input syntax for integer

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If you need an auto-incrementing unique key but you already have a natural unique key (which may or may not be a compound key) then my advice is to set the auto-increment field as the primary key and leave the other as a candidate key. The reason for this approach is that it then becomes possible to update the values in the candidate key (provided that the result is still unique) while the primary key remains fixed and immutable.

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