Build your portfolio site with Django

Getting started with Python's most famous web framework

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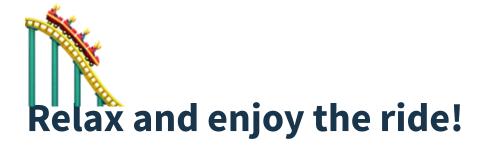
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Why use a web framework?



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The web is a complex mess!!

Web frameworks reduce complexity



Web frameworks

- Automate repetitive web development tasks
- Abstract database interactions
- Handle URL requests and URL mapping
- Provide templating frameworks
- Help with security, caching, sessions...
- Generally make your life easier:)



django

Django is a Python web framework



Why Django?

- Fantastic community
- Time- and battle-tested
- Batteries included!
- Huge third-party package ecosystem
- Pluggable structure reuse apps
- Django ORM for database interactions
- And... It's in Python! :)



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Your portfolio as a webapp!





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Let's get started!





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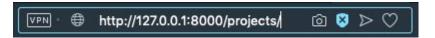
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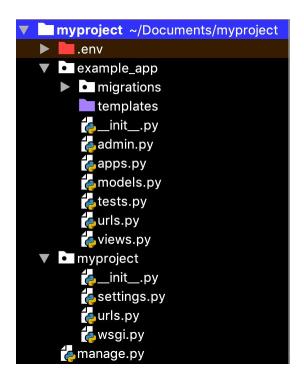


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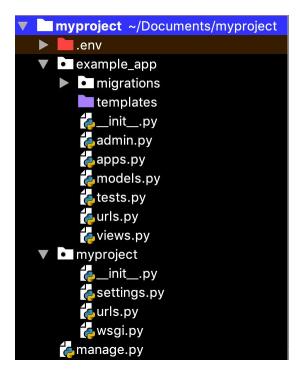






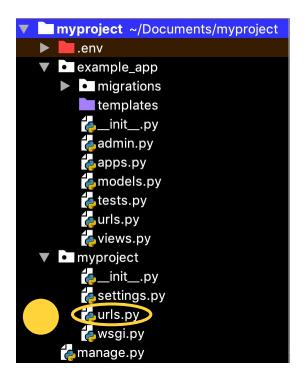






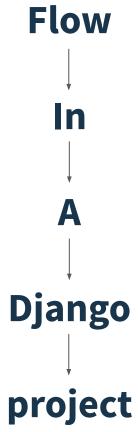


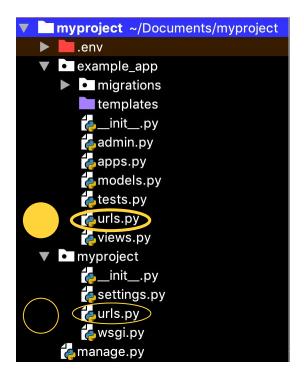






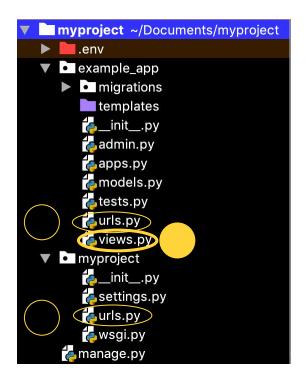






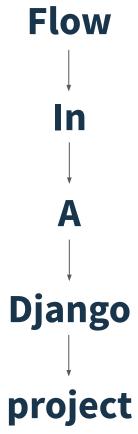


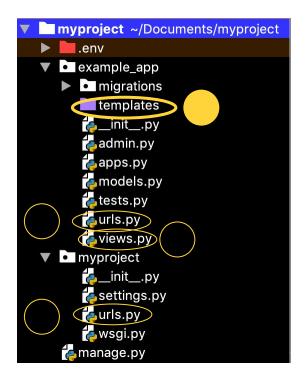




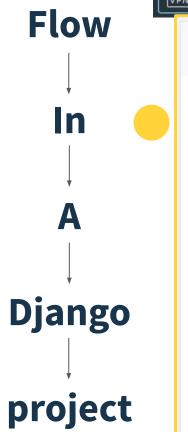


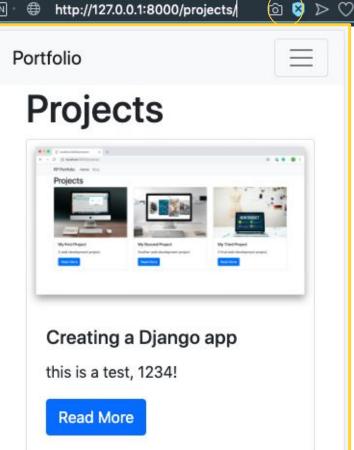


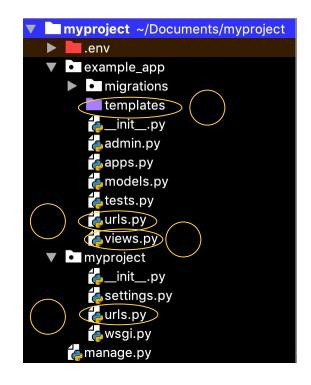








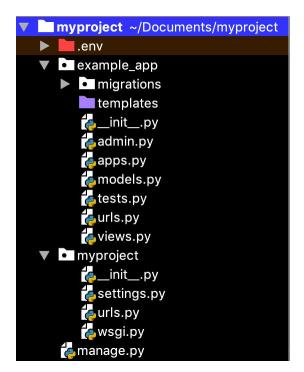






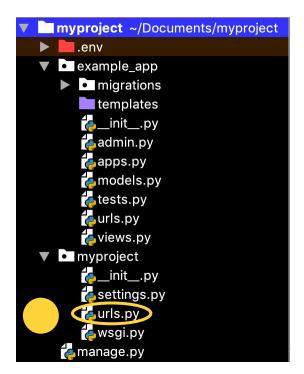








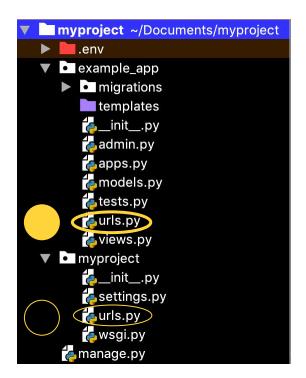






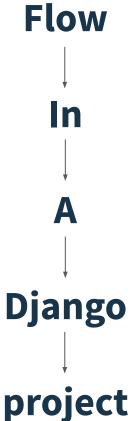


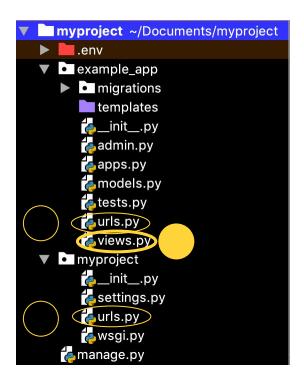




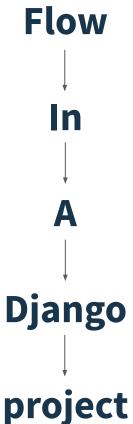


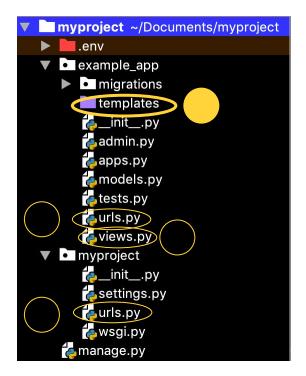


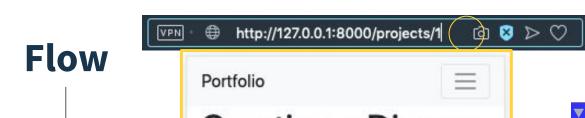




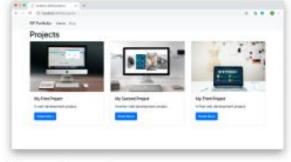








Creating a Django app



About the project

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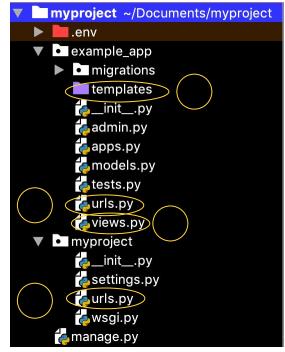
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In

Django

project





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PART 2 - SET UP YOUR DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT



What you need to continue

- Python 3.x installed
- A text editor or an IDE (e.g. PyCharm)
- Beginner knowledge of using the CLI (Terminal)

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Create a Virtual Environment



Install Django using pip



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Created a Virtual Environment in the CLI

python3 -m venv .env



source .env/bin/activate



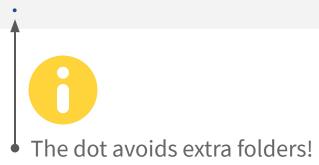
Installed Django inside the venv

(.env)\$ pip install django



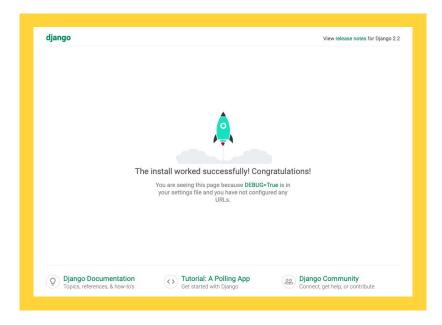
Created a Django project management app inside the existing folder

(.env)\$ django-admin startproject portfolio .





Visited the site at http://localhost:8000





PART 3 - BUILD A DJANGO APPLICATION



What you need to continue

- Set up: Python 3.x, Virtual Environment, Django, text editor
- Created a Django project called "portfolio"
- Motivation to build a webapp:)

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A Django error message













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Django settings













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Sneaking...



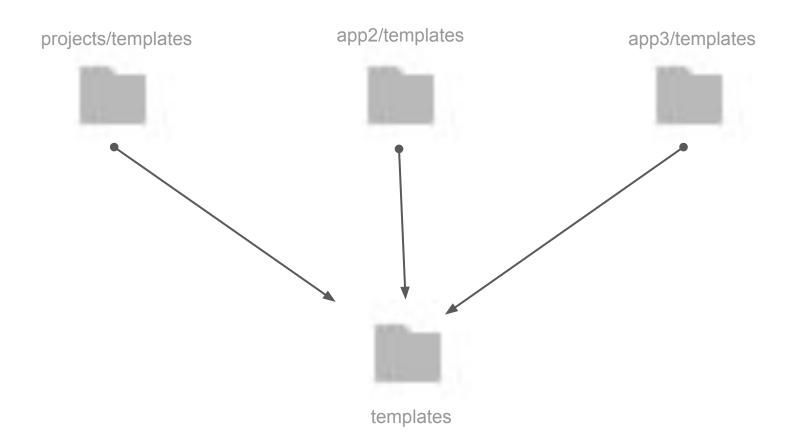
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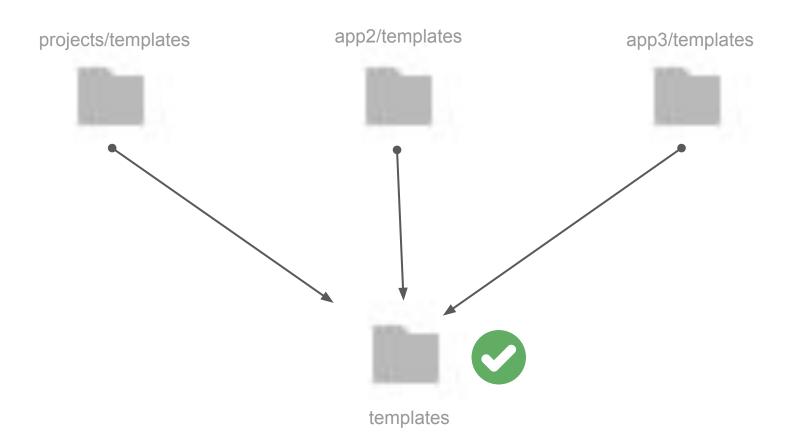


Flat folder structure



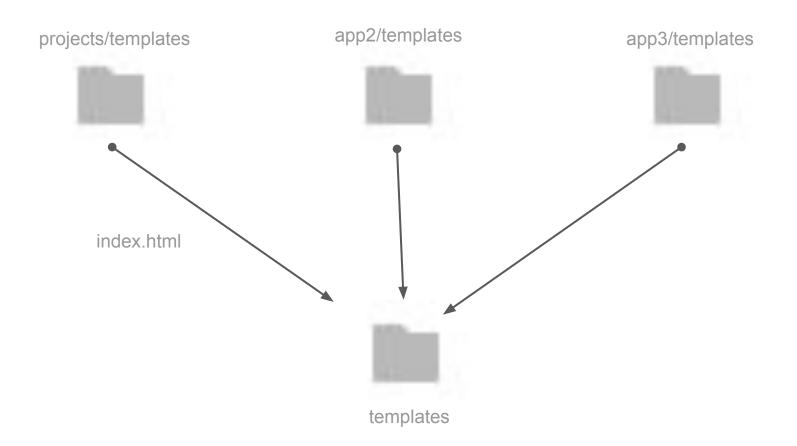
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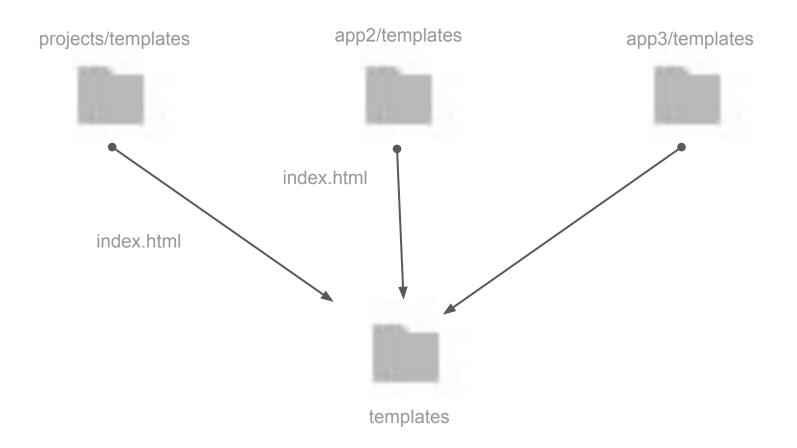


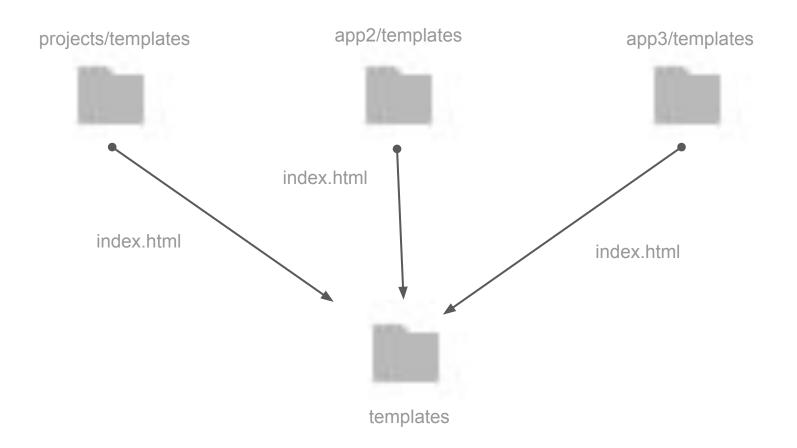


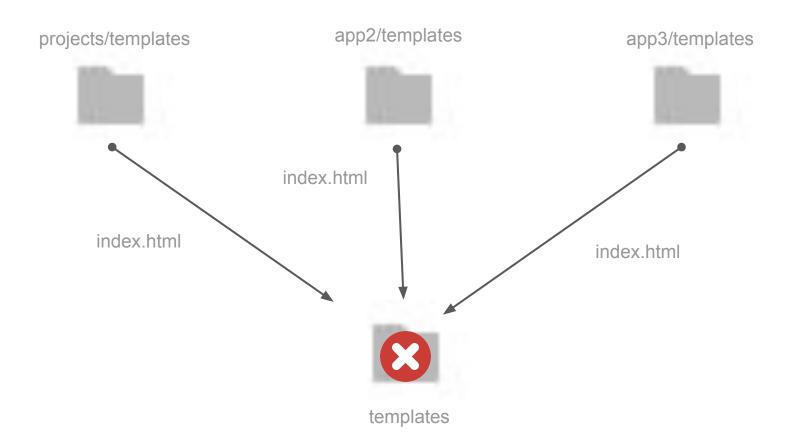
Troubles with flat folder structure





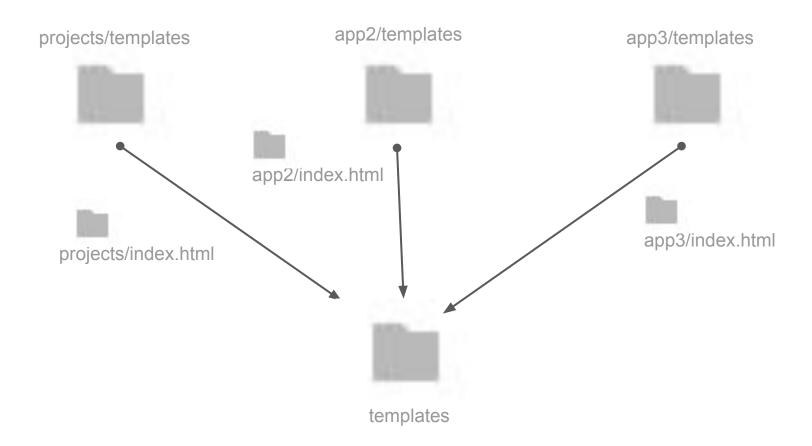


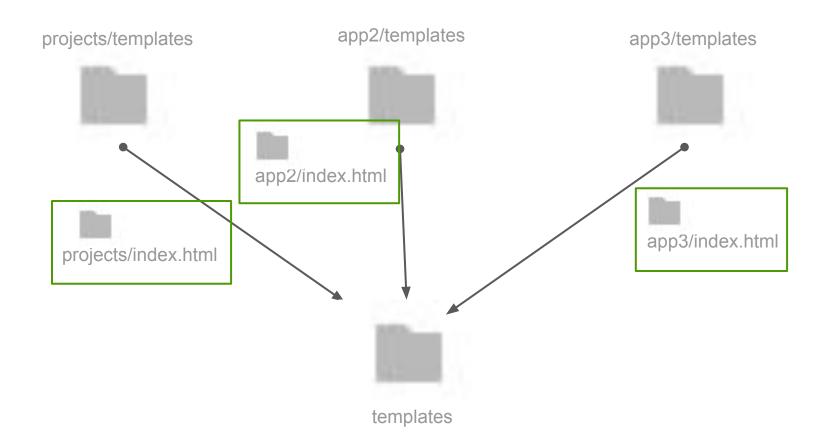


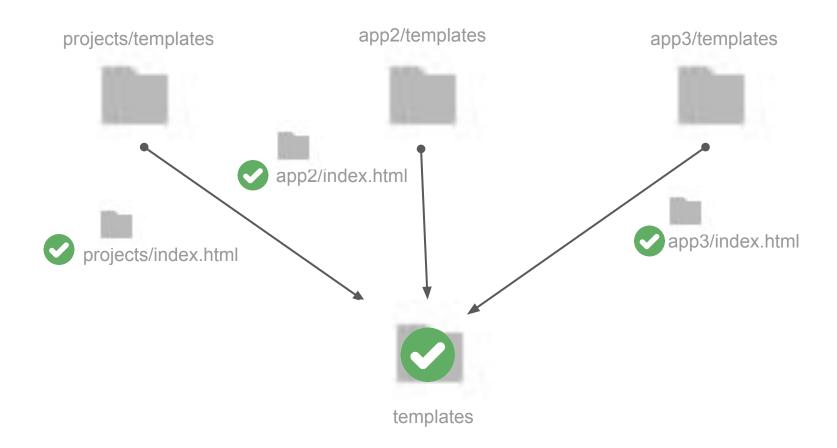


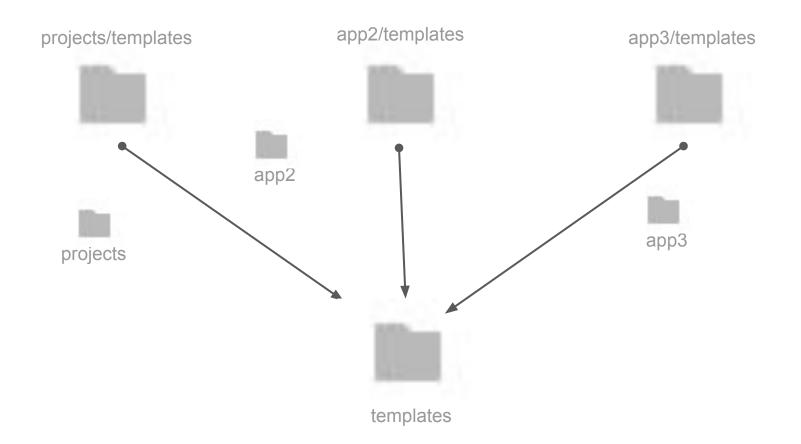
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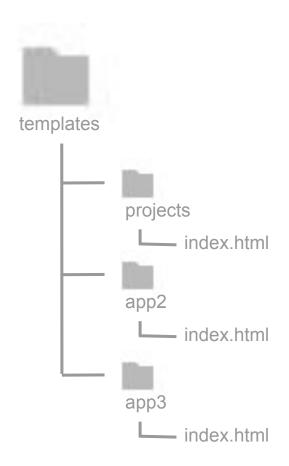


























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Created a Django app called "projects"

(.env)\$ python manage.py startapp projects

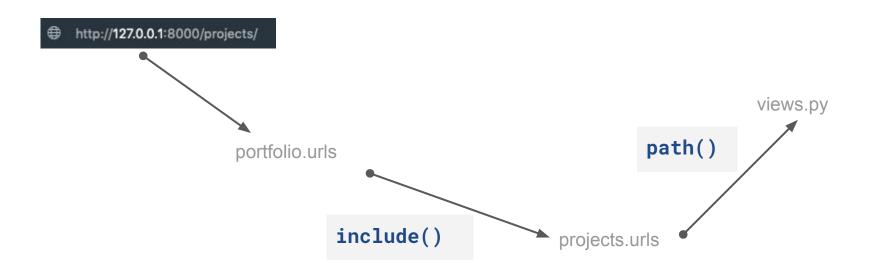


Registered your app in settings.py

```
INSTALLED_APPS = [
    # django apps
    # my apps
    "projects",
]
```



Dug your way through different URL configurations





Created a view function that returns a HttpResponse object

```
def project_list(request):
    return HttpResponse("<h1>Aye!</h1>")
```



Changed the view function to render a template instead

```
def project_list(request):
    return render(request, "projects/index.html")
```



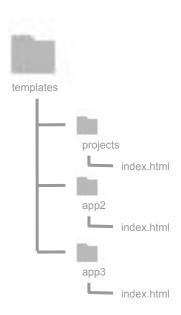


Created a Django template containing HTML code

```
<br/><h1>Hello template!</h1></body>
```



Understood the nested template folder structure in Django





Registered your new template folder in settings.py





Added Bootstrap styling to your app



And... most importantly:



You made a lot of new friends!!!

- PageNotFound
- ModuleNotFoundError
- ImproperlyConfigured
- AttributeError
- ValueError
- TemplateDoesNotExist





- Developing by error messages
- Getting familiar with common Django error messages
- Practiced to read and follow helpful suggestions
- Practiced to **debug** your code with the help of error messages













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PART 4: SHOWCASE YOUR PROJECTS



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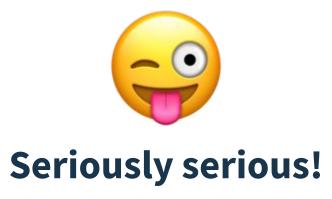
- Set up: Python 3.x, Virtual Environment, Django, text editor
- Django project called "portfolio"
- Django app called "projects"
- urls.py file in your "projects" app and correct routing
- double-templates folder setup

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PREVIEW: Projects app



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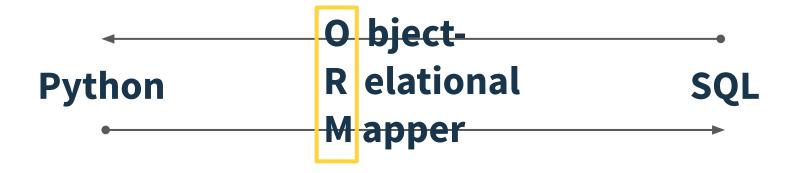
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Django ORM



Object-Relational Mapper O bject-R elational M apper



A (very) short intro to Relational DBs



That's a table!

Project table

id	title	description	technology	image
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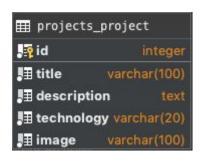


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class Project(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=100)
    description = models.TextField()
    technology = models.CharField(max_length=20)
    image = models.FilePathField(path="/img")
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    projects_project
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    id integer
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1	1 Test Project	Test, test This is a test	Django	img/testproject.png
2	2 Daily Writing	Write 3 pages of your thoughts	Django	img/daily.png
3	3 Todo App	Keep track of your tasks.	Django	img/todo.png



In our app...



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Migrations



Inside a SQLite file

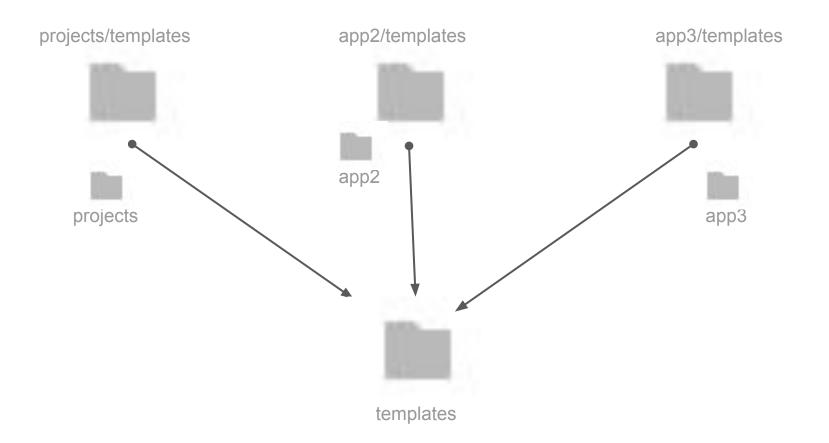


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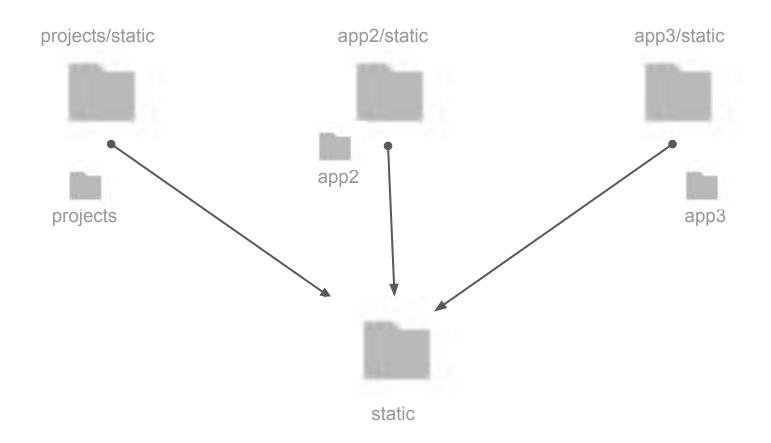


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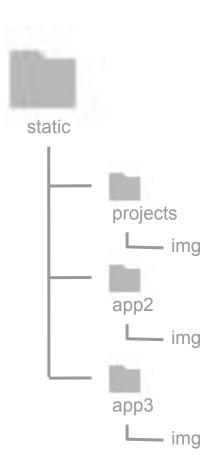














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Django Templating Language



{% code logic %}

{{ variables }}



Adding data through the Django Shell













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Changing Models and the DB



1) makemigrations



2) migrate



Changing Column Datatypes













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Template Inheritance



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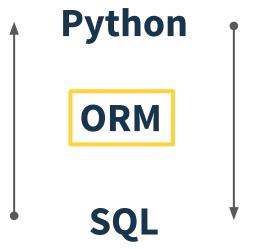




```
class Project(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=100)
    description = models.TextField()
    technology = models.CharField(max_length=20)
    image = models.CharField(max_length=100)
```



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10		.⊞ title ‡	<pre> description</pre>		.⊞ image ÷
1	1	Test Project	Test, test This is a test	Django	img/testproject.png
2	2	Daily Writing	Write 3 pages of your thoughts		img/daily.png
3		Todo App	Keep track of your tasks.	Django	img/todo.png





Learned about Relational Databases

Project table

Column

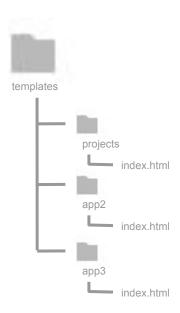
id	title	description	technology	image
1	test	This is a test	Django	/img/t.png
2	daily	Write words	Django	/img/d.png
3	todo	What to do?	Tkinter	/img/td.png

Row



- Peeked into a Django Migrations file
- Peeked into a SQLite Database File

Revisited the nested template folder structure in Django





- Added static image files to your project
- Linked those image files correctly

{% load static %}



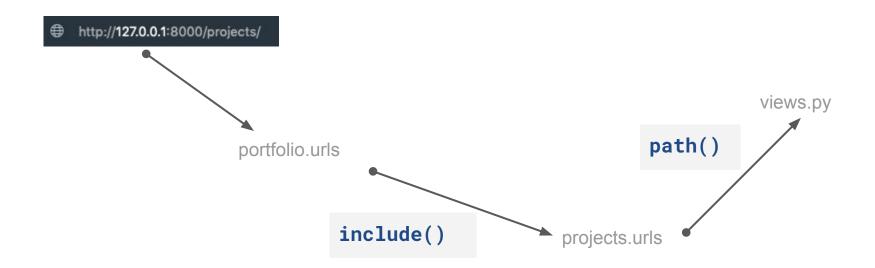


Used the Django Shell to create and edit data in your DB

```
projects = Project.objects.all()
p1 = projects[0]
p1.image = "changed/path"
p1.save()
```



Created new URL paths





- Queried the DB from your views
- Passed data on to your template files

```
return render(request, "template.html", {"projects": projects})
```



Used Django Templating Syntax

{% code logic %}

{{ variables }}





Some serious **debugging**!!!



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What you need to continue

- Set up: Python 3.x, Virtual Environment, Django, text editor
- Django project "portfolio" with app "projects"
- Projects in the Database
- Portfolio page listing all projects



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Back into the Django Shell



What's pk?



pk means "primary key"



pk means "primary key"

```
☐ projects_project

☐ integer

☐ warchar(100)

☐ description text
☐ technology varchar(20)
☐ image varchar(100)
```

In our project: pk == id



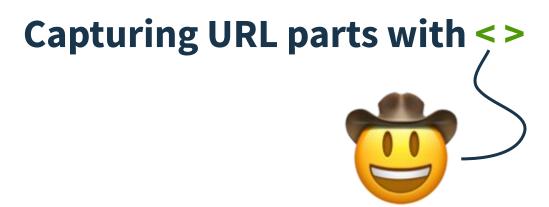
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Capturing URL parts with <>





```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```



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urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```





```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views project_detail)
]
```



```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project(_detail)
]
```



Path converters - int:



```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```



```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```

http://localhost:8000/projects/gimmeprojects



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Views: the code logic



Resolving URLs

```
Browser
```

```
http://localhost:8000/projects/1
urls.py
urlpatterns = [
   path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
views.py
def project_detail(request, pk):
    project = Project.objects.get(pk=pk)
   return render(request, "projects/detail.html", {"projects": project})
```



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Testing: Can we access a single resource?



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Linking two templates















NoReverseMatch

















```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```



```
urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```

```
<a href="{% url 'app_name:name' project.pk %}">Read More</a>
```



```
app_name = "projects"

urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail)
]
```

```
<a href="{% url 'app_name:name' project.pk %}">Read More</a>
```



```
app_name = "projects"
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]</pre>
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```



```
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urlpatterns = [
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]
```



Identifies Django view

```
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail' project.pk %}">Read More</a>
```













NoReverseMatch (but a different one)

















```
your_template.html
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail project.pk %}">Read More</a>
```



```
your_template.html

<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail project.pk %}">Read More</a>

Browser

http://localhost:8000/projects/1
```



```
your template.html
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail( project.pk %}">Read More</a>
Browser
http://localhost:8000/projects/1
views.py
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    project = Project.objects.get(pk=pk)
    return render(request, "projects/detail.html", {"projects": project})
```















NoReverseMatch















1) urls.py

```
app_name = "projects"

urlpatterns = [
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail, name="project_detail")
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NoReverseMatch Debugging 1: Identify view

```
urls.py
app_name = "projects"
urlpatterns `
    path("<int:pk>", views.project_detail name="project_detail")
your template.html
<a href="{% url projects:project_detail project.pk %}">Read More</a>
```



```
your_template.html
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail( project.pk )%}">Read More</a>
```



```
your_template.html

<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail project.pk %}">Read More</a>

Browser

http://localhost:8000/projects/1
```



```
your template.html
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail( project.pk }}">Read More</a>
Browser
http://localhost:8000/projects/1
views.py
def project_detail(request, pk):
    project = Project.objects.get(pk=pk)
    return render(request, "projects/detail.html", {"projects": project})
```



NoReverseMatch Debugging 2: Pass arguments

```
urls.py
app_name = "projects"
urlpatterns = {
    path("<int:pk>",)views.project_detail, name="project_detail")
your template.html
<a href="{% url 'projects:project_detail'(project.pk }}">Read More</a>
```



Debugging Summary



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NoReverseMatch Debugging Summary

```
urls.py
app_name = "projects"
urlpatterns
    path("<int:pk>",)views.project_detail(name="project_detail")
                             2) Pass arguments
                         Identify view
your template.html
<a href="{% url (projects:project_detail (project.pk %)}">Read More</a>
```



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DRY - don't repeat yourself



File 1: base.html



```
{% block content %}
{% endblock %}
```



{% block content %}



{% block content %}



{% block content %}

<div>My HTML content</div>



File 2: your_template.html



{% extends 'base.html' %}

{% block content %}



{% extends 'base.html' %}

{% block content %}



{% extends 'base.html' %}

{% block content %}

<div>My HTML content</div>



In practice!



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Mobile responsive!

```
<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
```



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A convenient way of accessing your DB



Creating a superuser



Registering your models



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- Using the Django ORM in the shell and in views.py
- Learned about primary keys (pk)

```
id integer
integer
description text
technology varchar(20)
image varchar(100)
```



Lasso-ed parts from URLs using angle brackets <>



http://localhost:8000/projects/1



Used an int: path converter to verify the URL path's datatype

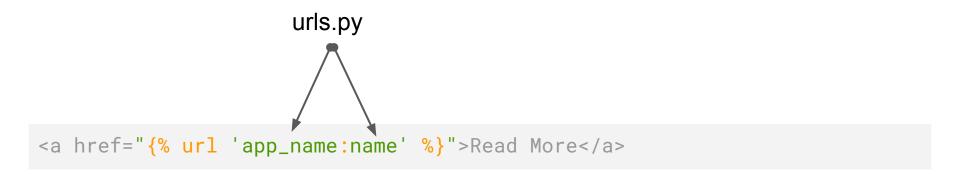
http://localhost:8000/projects/gimm



http://localhost:8000/projects/1



Defining proper namespaces for linking and reverse URL matching





Passing arguments inside of URL template tags

```
urls.py

path('<arg>', views.function_name, name='name')

<a href="{% url 'app_name:name' arg %}">Read More</a>
```



Debugging NoReverseMatch Error

urls.py

- Identify view
- Pass arguments

your_template.html



- DRY don't repeat yourself
- Template inheritance

```
{% extends 'base.html' %}
```

```
{% block content %}
{% endblock %}
```

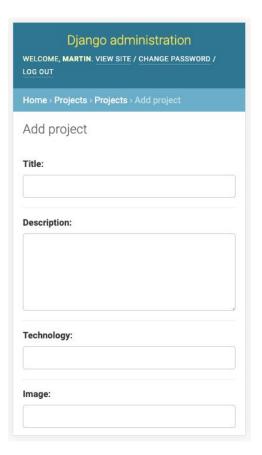


- Bootstrap header
- Make the site mobile responsive

<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">



- Create a superuser
- Register your models in Django admin
- Add/Edit/Delete DB entries conveniently









CONGRATULATIONS!!





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