

Joget DX 8

# Designing your first Form

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### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Appreciates the use of a form
- 2. Understanding on ER diagram is highly recommended
- 3. Created a Process



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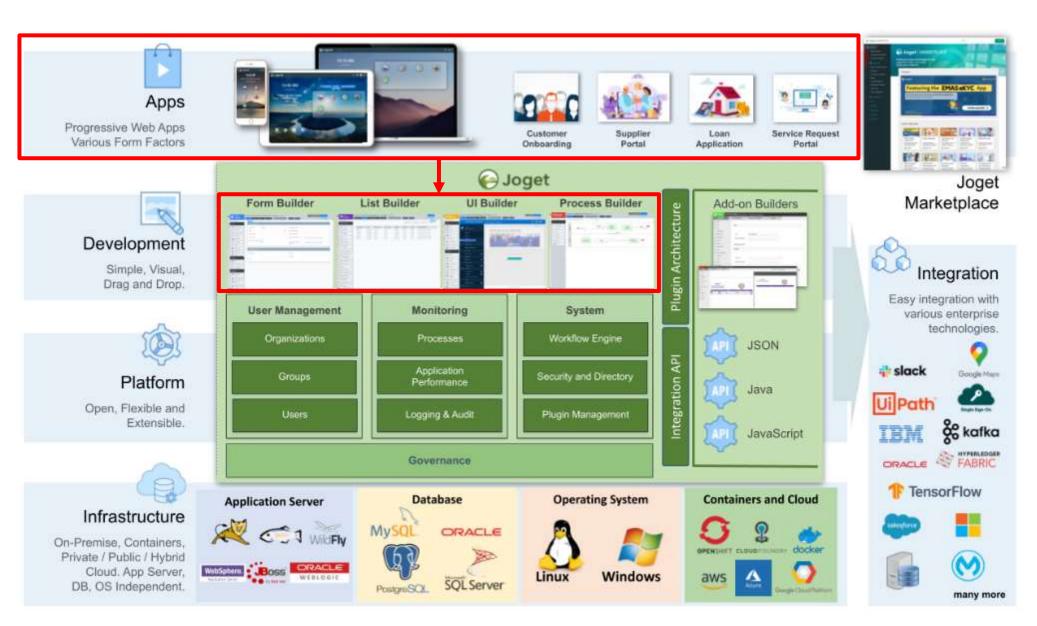
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- 2. Designing your First Forms
- 3. Controlling Process by using Form



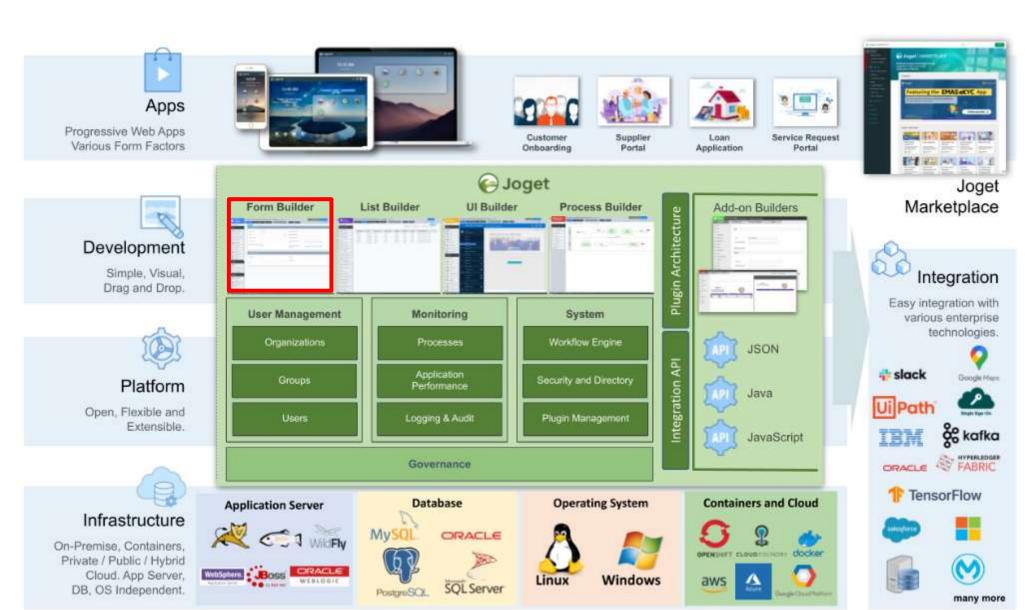












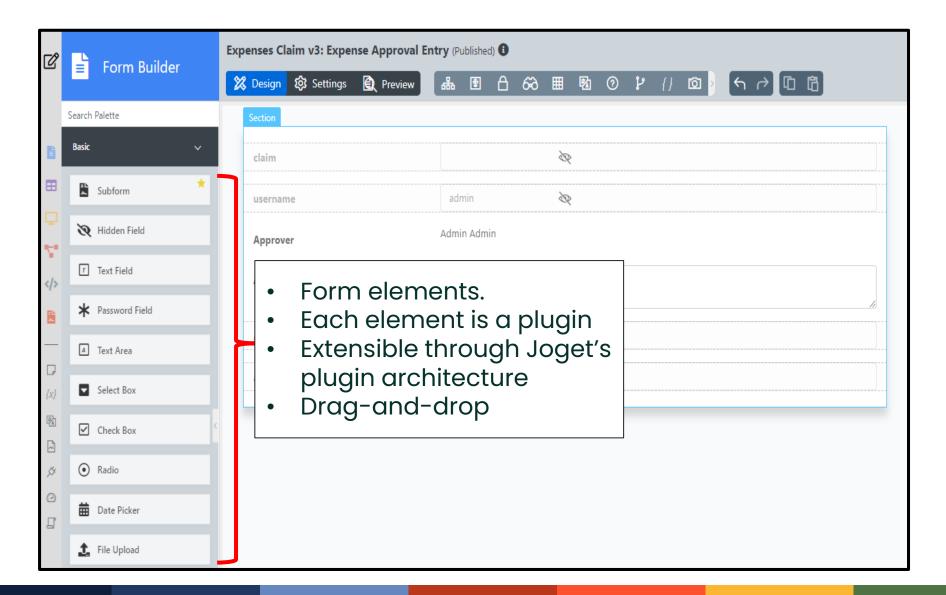


#### Form Builder

- Used as a mean to collect information/interact with the end user.
- Drag and drop, and configure based form builder.
- Little/No programming knowledge needed to operate.
- Extensible functionalities through Joget's plugin architecture.

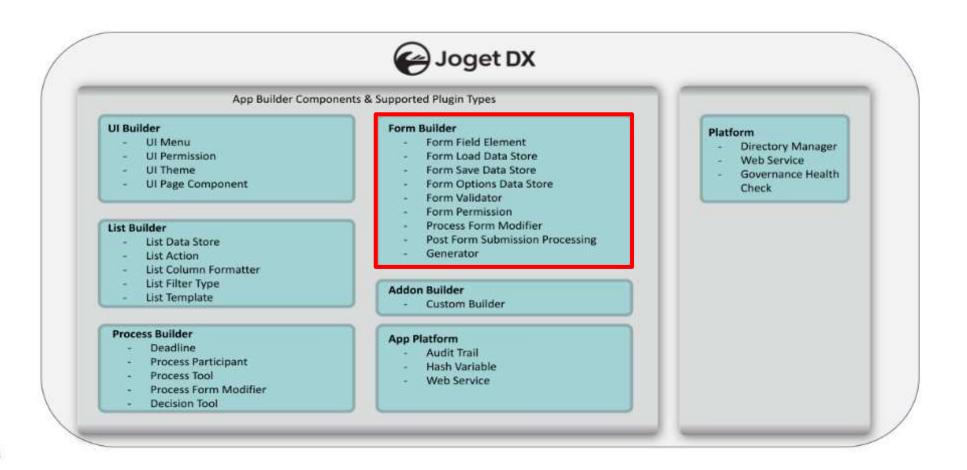


### Form Builder





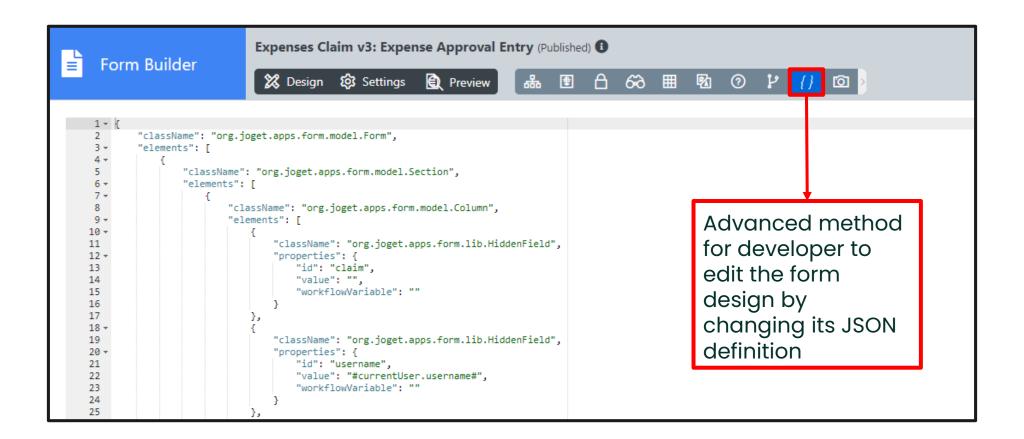
## **Plugin Types**



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#### Form Builder



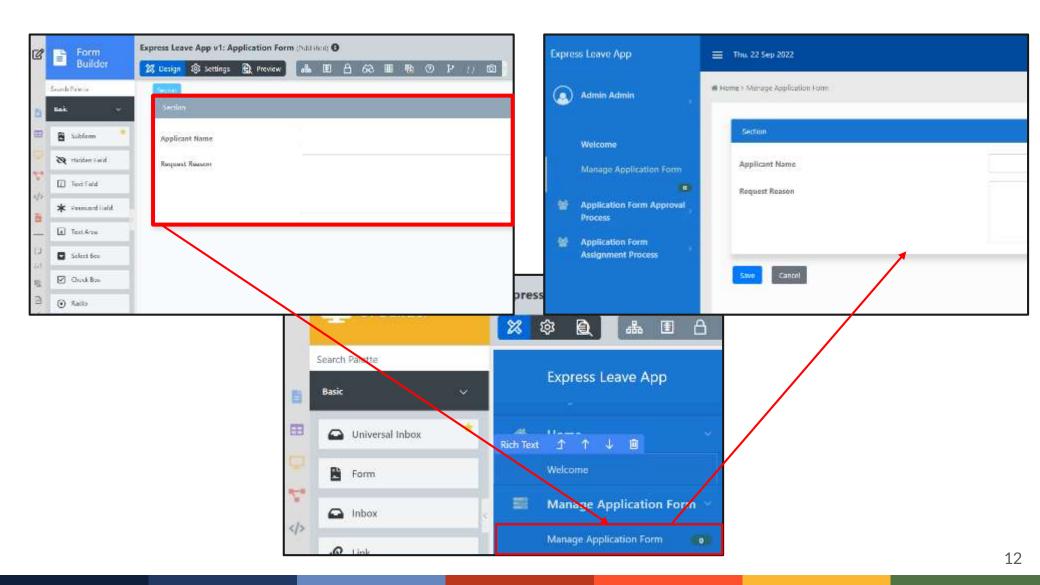


#### Where and How Form is used?

- By itself
  - Each form record is distinctive by itself.
  - Made accessible through the use of Uls.



#### Form or CRUD in UI



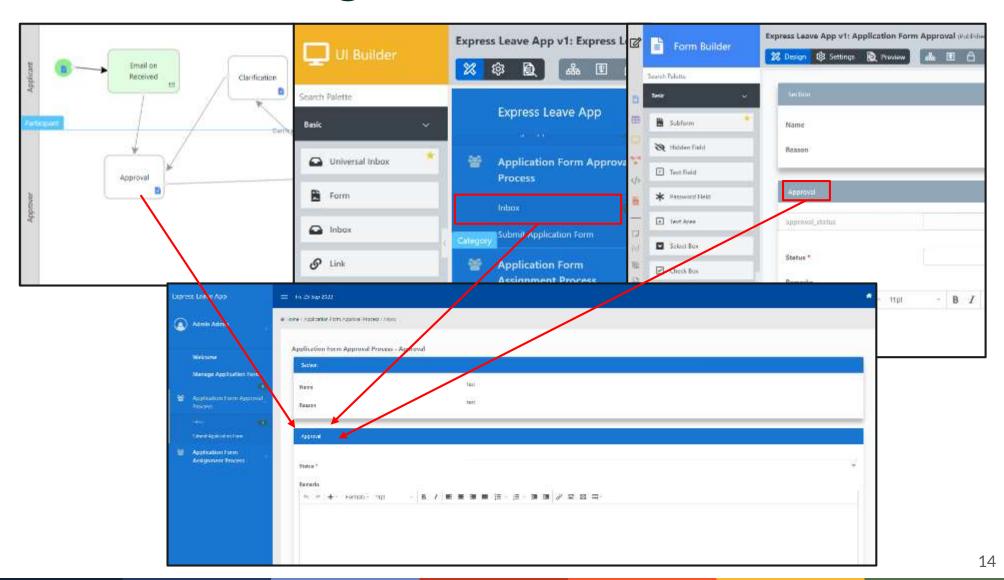


#### Where and How Form is Used?

- Part of a Process
  - Each form record relates to a process instance.
  - Made accessible through the process activity's assignment view in the Inbox.
    - Inbox is made accessible via the App
       Center or UI.



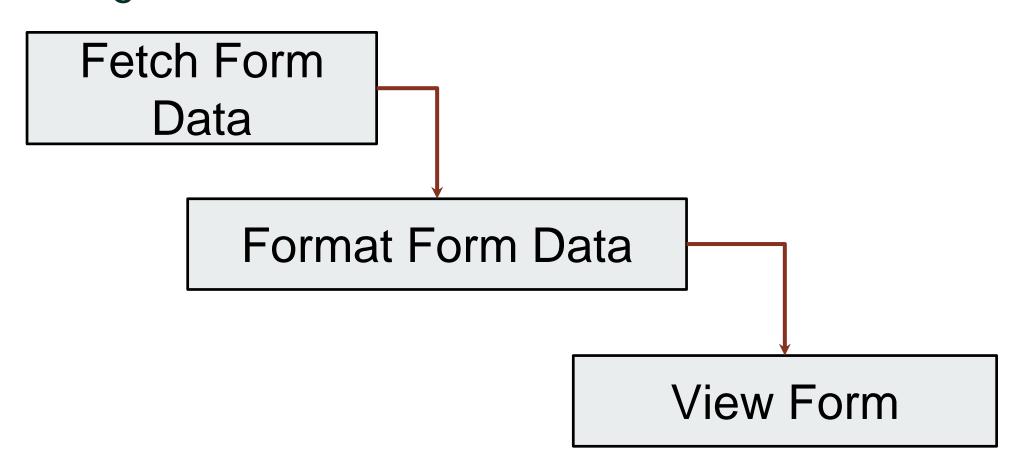
## Form - Assignment - Inbox - Ul





## Viewing a Form

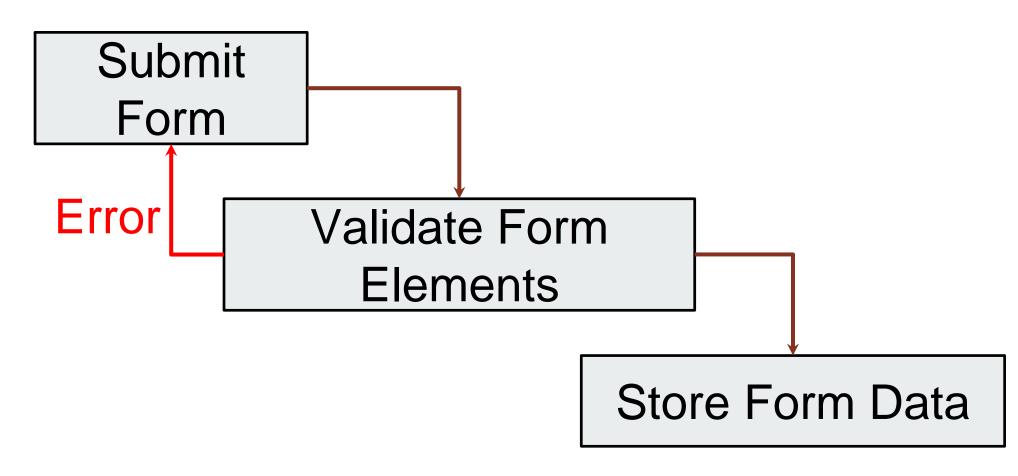
In general, this is how a Form is loaded.





## Submitting a Form

In general, this is how a Form is handled when submitted.





#### **Good To Know**

• It is not possible to run/view a Form without having Joget running as the server.



## **Chapter Review**

 General understanding on how Form and Form Builder works.









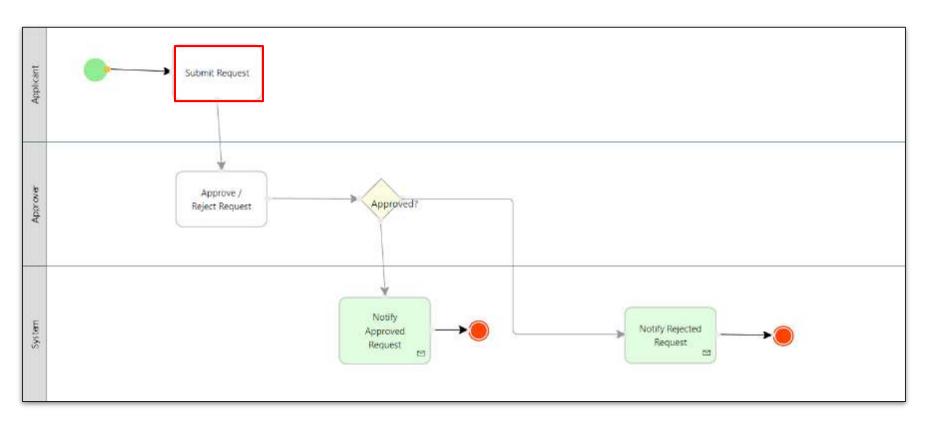
#### Just In Case...

 This module's app will continue development from module 3, you can download the app
 3.3.jwa to follow along the exercises.



#### **Association With the Process Flow**

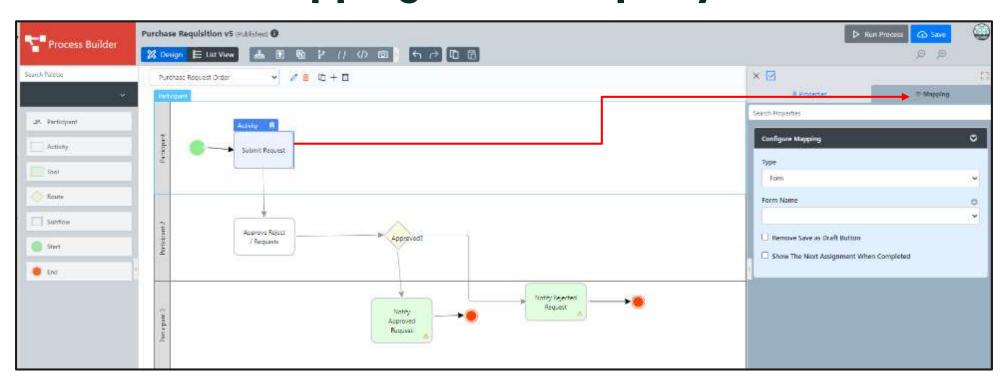
 Designing the first form for the first activity in the flow.





### **Map Activities to Form**

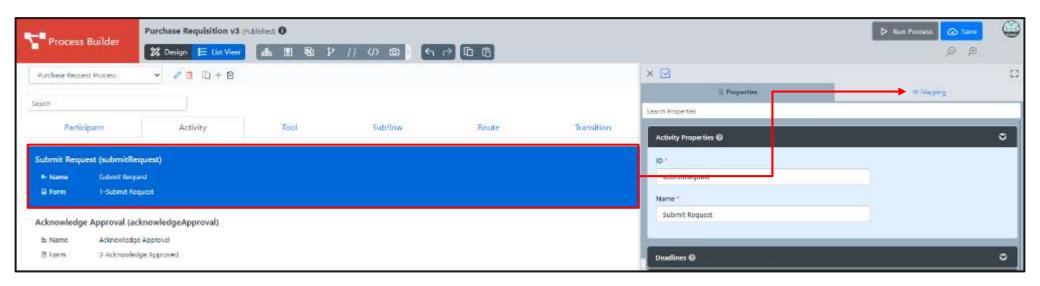
- In the Process's **Design**, Click on "Submit Request" activity.
- Click on **Mapping** in The **Property Editor**.





### **Map Activities to Form**

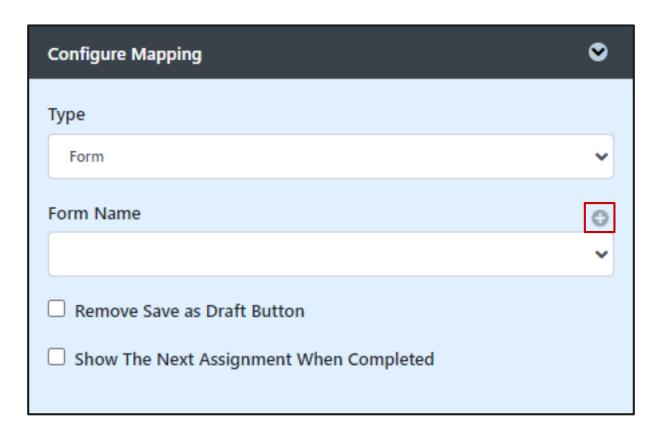
- Alternatively, Go to App's Processes -> List View
   -> Activity.
- Click on "Submit Request" activity, then click on Mapping in the Property Editor.





## Add/Edit Form

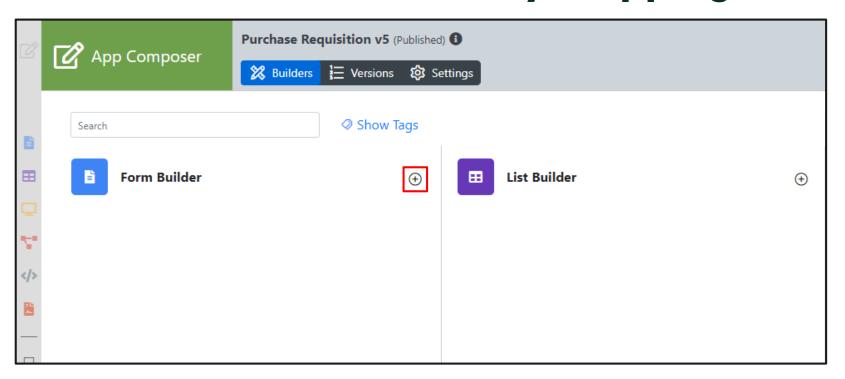
Click on the "+" to create a new form.





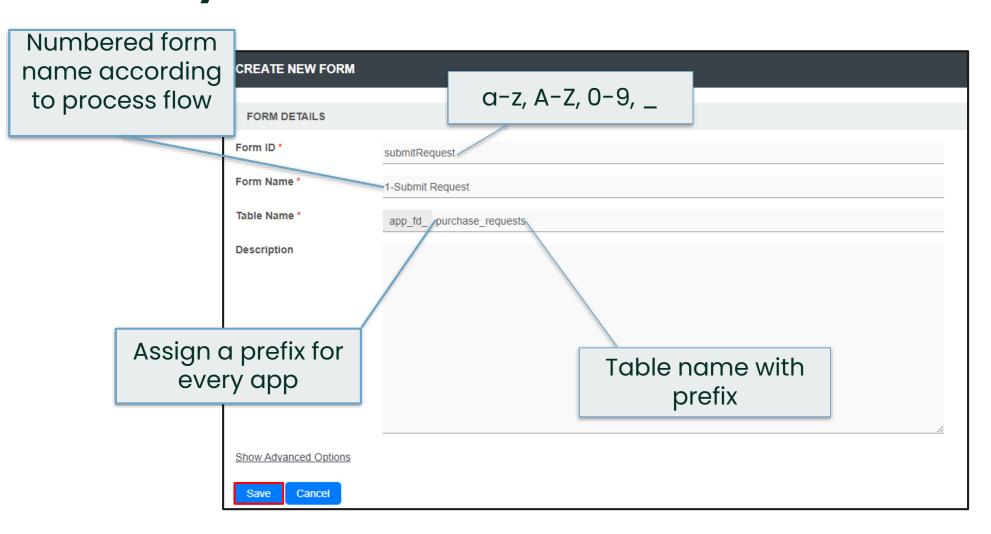
## Alternative Way of Creating New Form

 One can also go to the App Composer to create the new form and add the newly created form to the activity mapping later on.





## Create a New Form, for "Submit Request" Activity





### **App Prefix for Table Name**

- By default, ALL form data will be stored into the same database that Joget is using.
- All Apps are storing into the same database as well.
- Therefore, it is very **important** to segregate the form data by App by declaring its own prefix before defining its designated table name. (e.g. purchase\_requests)



## **Naming Convention**

- Use camel case for App ID, Process ID, Activity
   ID. For example:-
  - -purchaseRequisition
  - -purchaseRequestProcess
  - -submitRequest
- Do not use snake case as it conflicts with process instance ID naming convention: 1\_purchaseRequisition\_purchaseRequestProcess\_sub mitRequest
- Maintain consistent naming convention that you have decided across the board.



## **Naming Convention**

- Use snake case for anything related to form data storage.
- For example:-
  - -purchase\_requests
- Just search for "database naming convention" for more information.

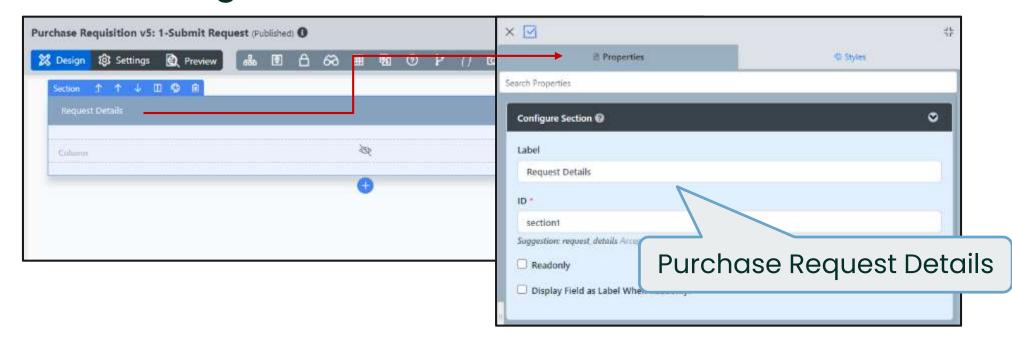
E.g:

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/7662/database-table-and-column-naming-conventions



#### **Edit Section**

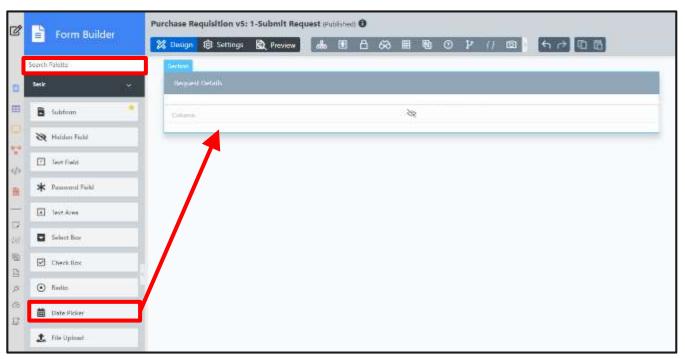
 Form Section serves as a placeholder for form input elements. Rename it to make it meaningful.





#### **Insert Date Picker**

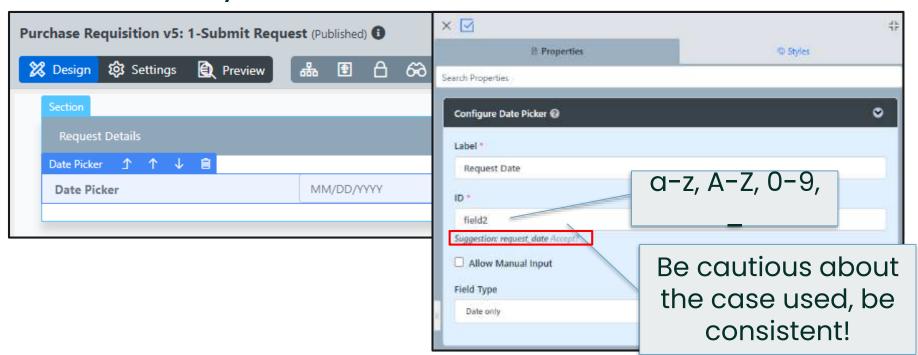
- Insert a Date Picker form element by dragging it into the section placeholder.
- You can use the Search Palette tool to look for the element.





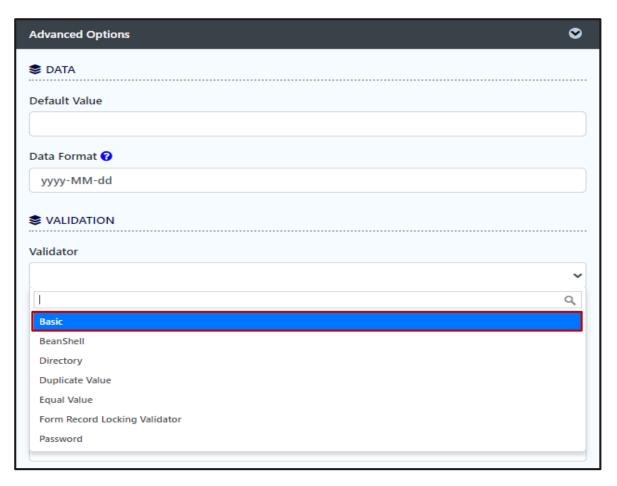
#### **Edit The First Date Picker**

- Set the ID according to database naming convention – use underscore instead of camel case to separate words.
- You can use the suggested ID for reliable consistency.





## Set The Date Picker as Mandatory Field





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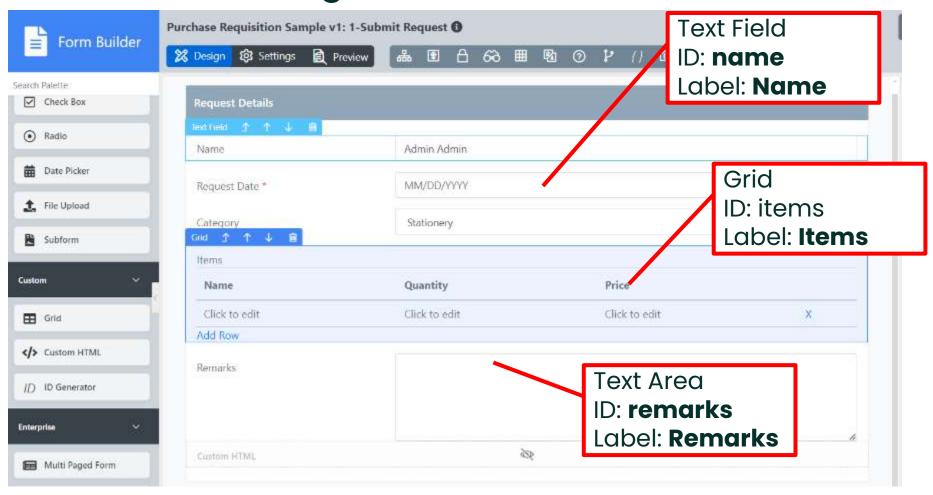
 You can use Search Properties to quickly find and navigate to the property that you need to edit.





## Complete the Design of "Submit Request" Form

Add text field, grid, and text area.





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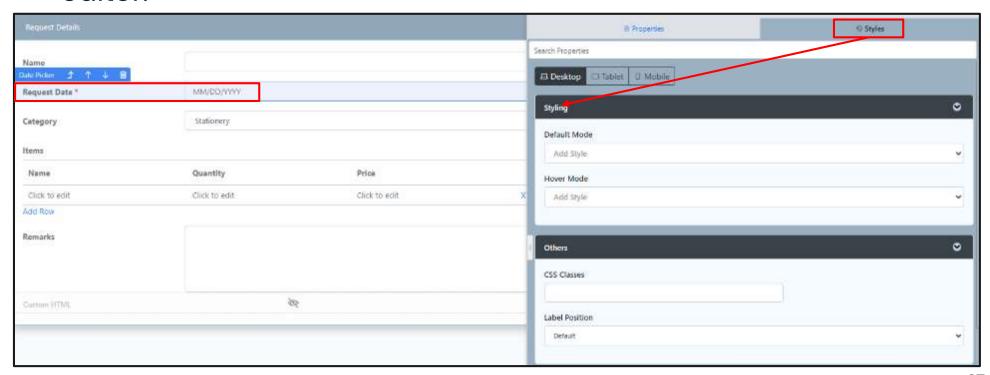
Preview and save.





### Edit an Element's Style

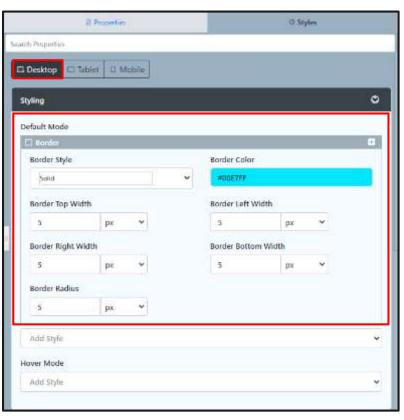
- You can control a form element's styling (CSS) directly through the form builder's Property Editor.
- To start, select the form element (in this case let's choose the date picker element. Then go to the **Styles** tab in the property editor.





### Edit an Element's Style

- In the styles tab, you can design how each form element is to be viewed on a Desktop, Mobile or Tablet Device.
- For the **Desktop** Device, add a border and configure the settings as shown.



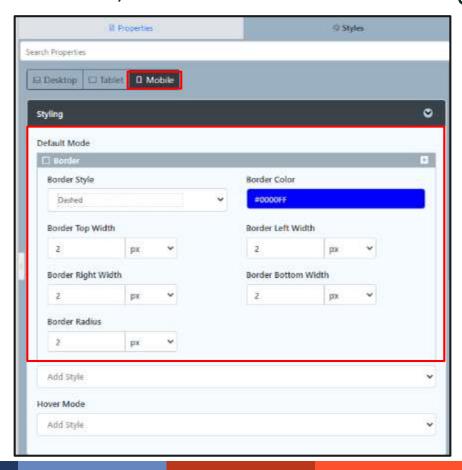


### Edit an Element's Style

 In the styles tab, you can design how each form element is to be viewed on a Desktop, Mobile or Tablet Device.

• For the Mobile Device, add a border and configure the settings

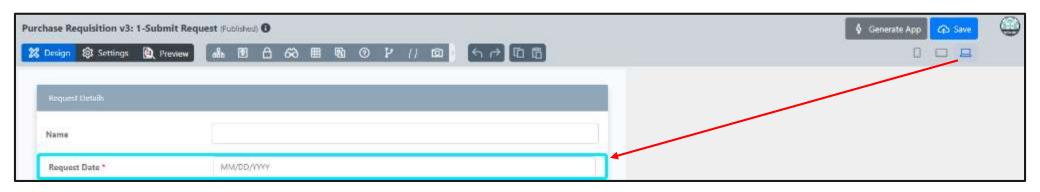
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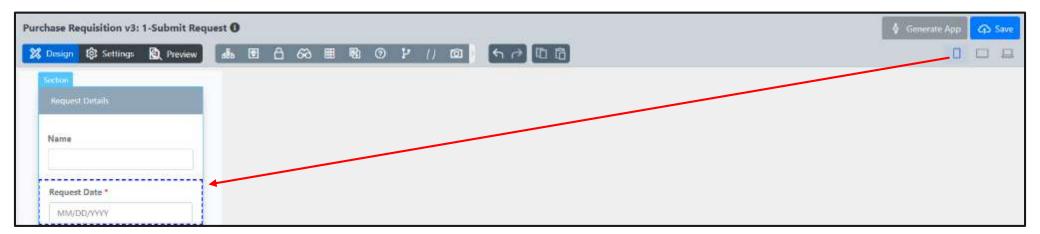




### View an Element's Style

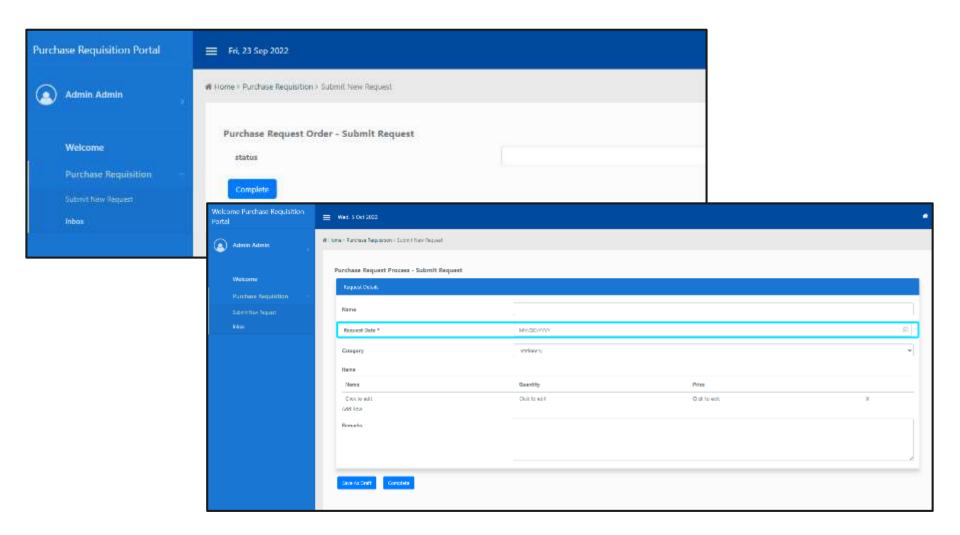
• To see the new changes to the element's style, apply changes in the property editor then preview as **Desktop** then as **Mobile**.







## How the Form Looks Like When You Launch "Run Process" Now?





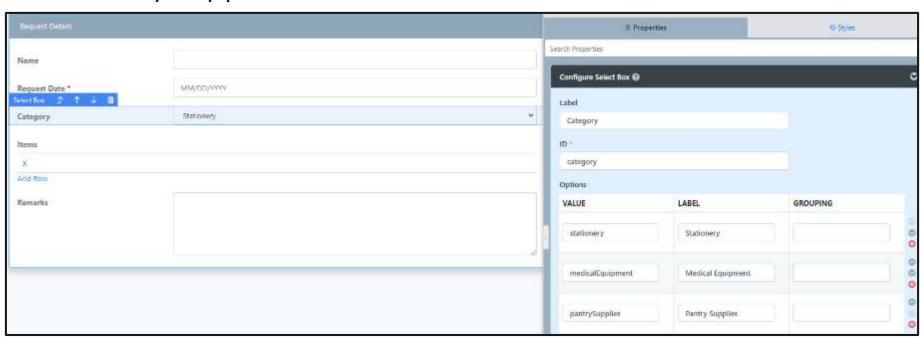
#### **Exercise 1**

- Fill in the form, leave "Request Date" empty to test out form validation.
- Try to submit the form.
- Now fill up all the fields and complete the assignment.



#### **Exercise 2**

- Add a new Select Box called "Category" with the following options:-
  - Stationery
  - Medical Equipment
  - Pantry Supplies





### Exercise 3 - Optional

- Customize the look and feel of how the form is rendered by modifying its CSS.
  - Add a Custom HTML form element into the bottom of the form.
  - Edit it, add the following code into Custom HTML property.

<style type="text/css"></th><th colspan=2>Request Details</th></tr><tr><th><pre>.form-cell .label, .subfo cell .label{</pre></th><th>Name Request Date *</th><th>MM/DD/YYYY</th><th></th></tr><tr><th>width: 100%; }</th><th>Category</th><th>Stationery</th><th>~</th></tr><tr><th></style>	X Add Row		
	Remarks		
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	Custom HTML	₩.	



#### **Discussion**

- Do you know that you can still modify forms even after (your app has been published) and users started using them?
- What will happen to the submitted data if you delete form elements that is previously added in the form?

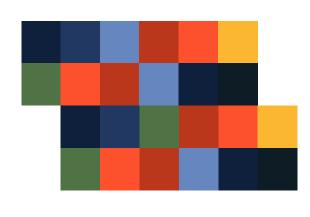


#### **Chapter Review**

- Associating activity with form
- Creating Form and understanding the basic elements and validations.
- Accessing assignment with a Form associated.







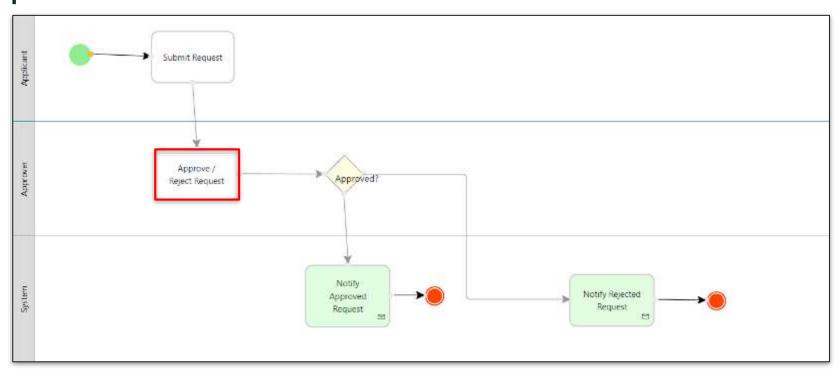
### **Chapter 3**

Controlling Process by Using Form



#### **Association With the Process**

- Designing the second form for the second activity in the flow.
- Form controls the next course of action in the process flow.





# Create a New Form for "Approve / Reject Request" Activity

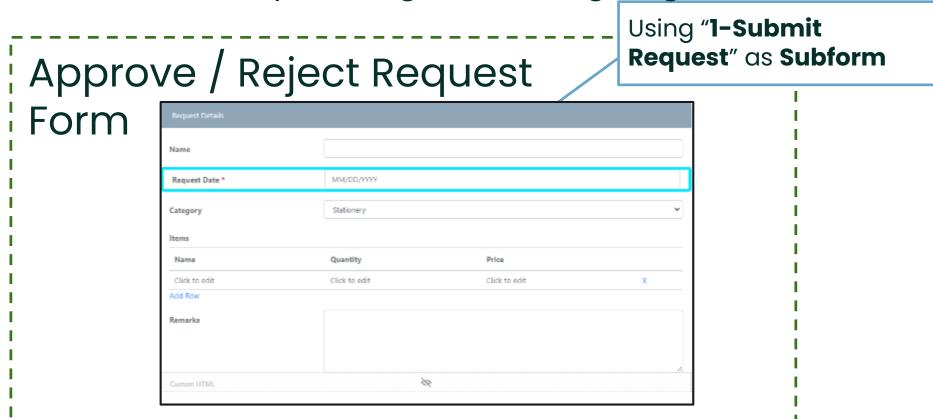
 Click on "Add/Edit Form" on "Approve / Reject Request" activity.
 Fill in the following details.

CREATE NEW FORM		
FORM DETAILS		
Form ID *	approvalRequest	
Form Name *	2-Approve/Reject Request	
Table Name *	app_fd_ purchase_requests	
Description		
Show Advanced Options		
Save Cancel		



## **Using Subform**

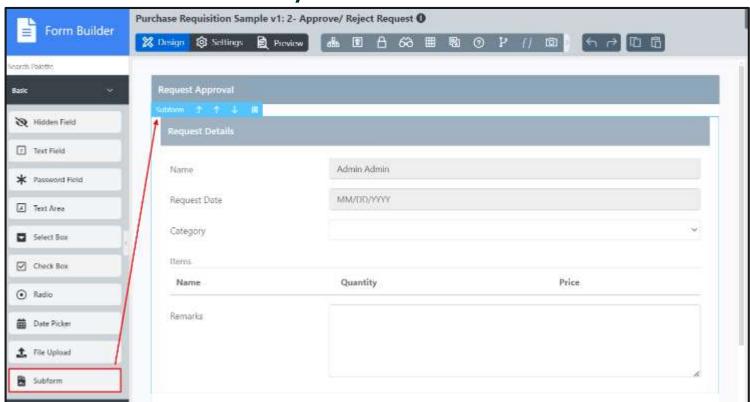
• **Subform** allows one to make **reference** to existing form without duplicating form design again.





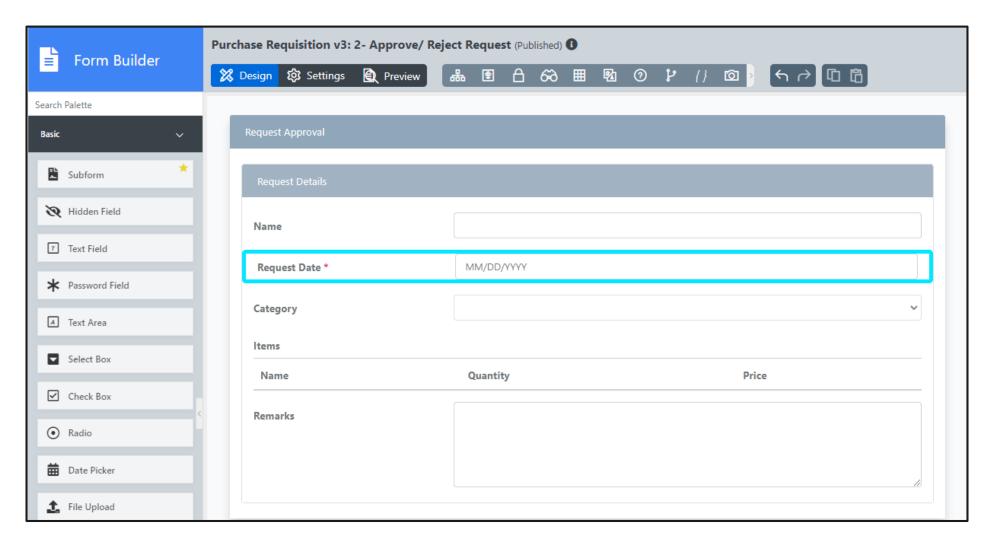
#### **Using Subform**

- Rename the section and add in Subform.
- Edit the **Subform** to point to the first form.
- Set it to read only.



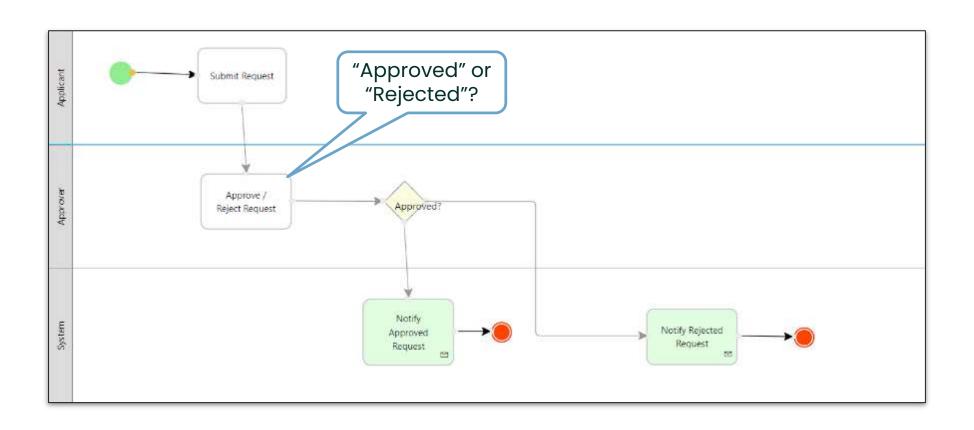


#### Using "1-Submit Request" As Subform





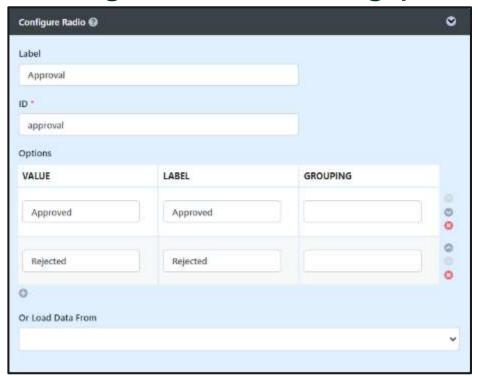
#### What About the Approval Status?





#### **Insert Radio Button**

- Insert a Radio into the bottom of the form.
- Configure accordingly.



Note: Value is **CASE-SENSITIVE**. **Check** your process design **transition conditions** to confirm.



#### **Radio Button Options**

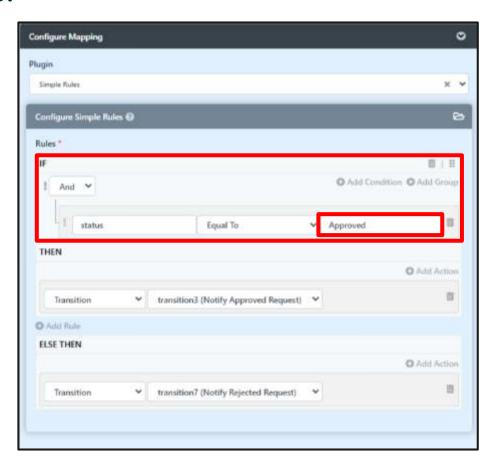
- Scroll down to the Advanced Options section in the Property Editor and set the Workflow Variable to "status".
- Upon submission of this form, value defined here will also set the respective workflow variable.

■ DEPENDENCY
Field Id to Control Available Options Based on Grouping
<b>\$</b> UI
☐ Readonly
☐ Display Field as Label When Readonly?
<b>S</b> WORKFLOW
Workflow Variable
status

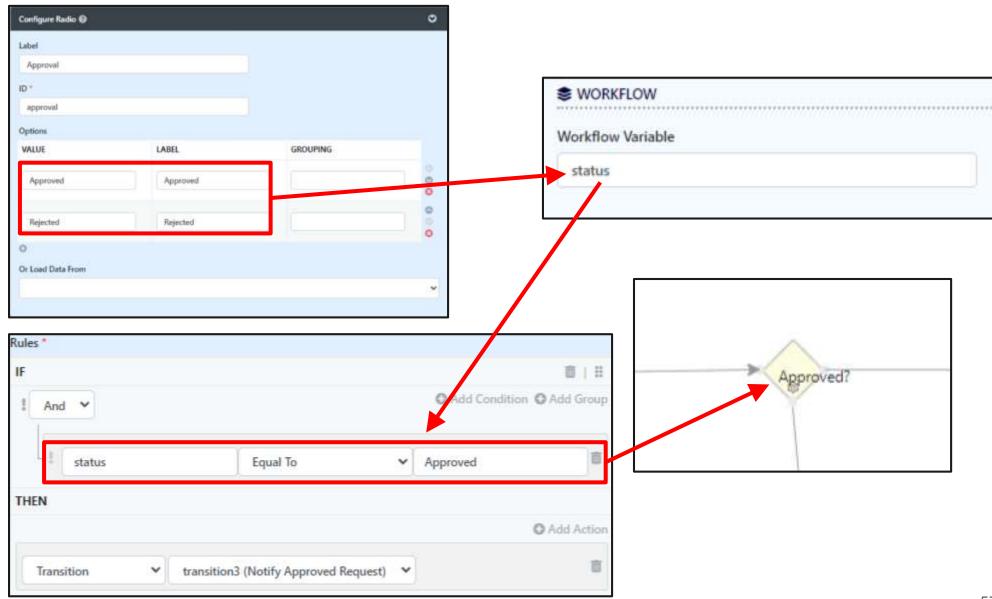


#### **Process Review**

 Recall what we have declared and set in the route's conditions.

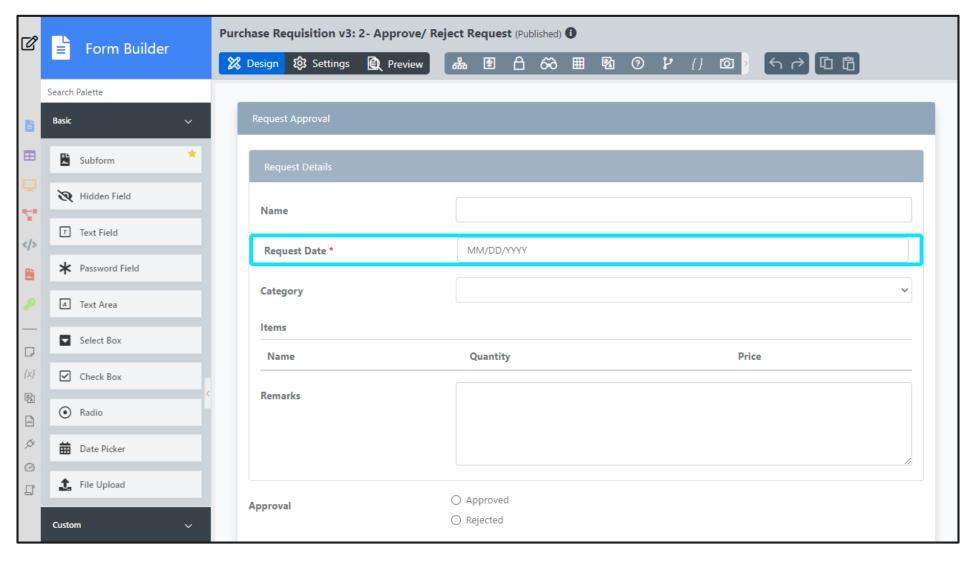






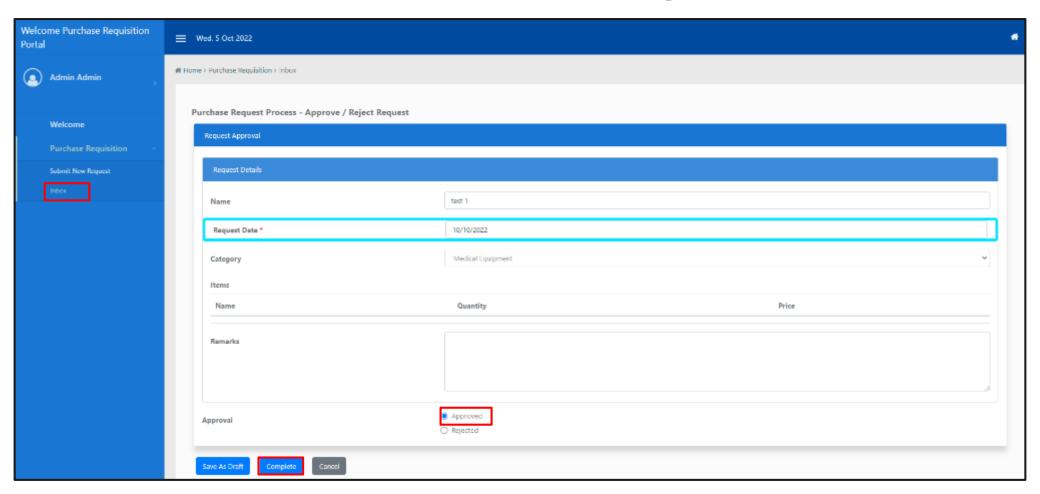


#### **Request Approval Form**





## Continue With the Assignment





#### **Exercise**

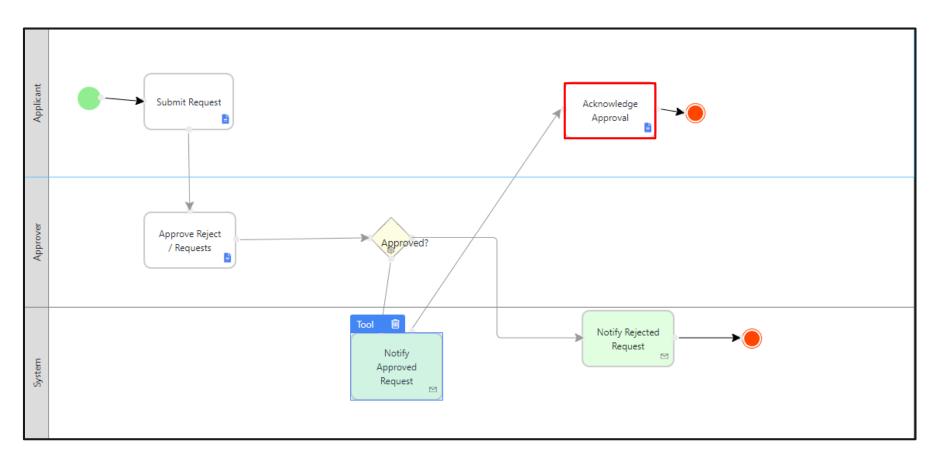
Refresh your memory on module 3 – designing process!

Design Form for "Acknowledge Approved" activity

- Add an activity to your purchase request process, after the email tool in the "approved" lane.
- Create a new Form named "3-Acknowledge Approved" form
- Map the form to "Acknowledge Approved" activity.
- Point it back to the same table used before.
- In the form design, add a "Subform" and refer it to the
   "2-Approve / Reject Request" form.



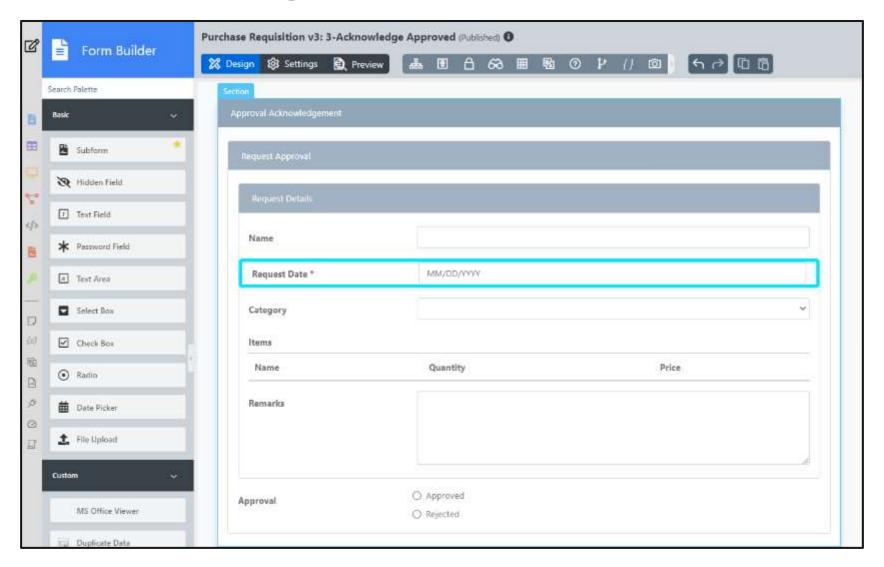
## "Acknowledge Approved" Activity Added in Process



Note: Pay <u>attention</u> to **WHERE** you are placing the "Acknowledge Approved" activity.



### **Acknowledge Approved Form**



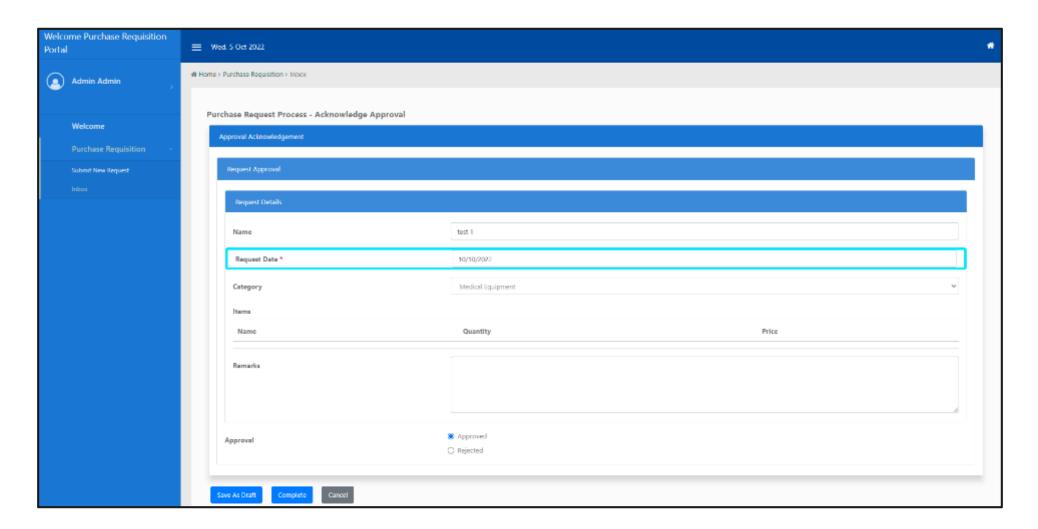


#### Complete the Process Cycle

- Go back to your Inbox.
- Open "Acknowledge Approved" assignment.
   Verify the form created and complete the process.



### Complete the Process Cycle





#### **Discussion**

 Curious on where the form data is actually stored?

Use your preferred SQL Client and try to look for the form data submitted earlier.



#### Just In Case...

 You can download the base Purchase Requisition app - 5.3.jwa to start 'playing around' with it.



#### **Chapter Review**

- Learn about Subform.
- Control flow of process using Workflow
   Variable mapping via the Form Field.



#### **Module Review**

#### We have learnt to:

- Create Form and assign it to Process Activity with basic Form Elements.
- 2. Understand the Subform concept.
- 3. Map Form Field to Workflow Variable for routing purpose.
- 4. Verify Process with the Form attached.



#### Recommended Further Learning

- Improving your Form design and Presentation.
- Creating a List based on the Forms designed.



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