



How to build a web app

using the MVC pattern

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Agenda

- ✦ How does the web work?
 - ✦ What does a web server do?
- ✦ Building a small app
 - ✦ MVC Patterns: why and how
 - ✦ Other things to keep in mind

How does the web work

- ✧ Client-server paradigm
- ✧ HTTP
 - ✧ Request
 - ✧ Response
 - ✧ Response codes

What does a web server do

- ✦ Waits for requests
- ✦ Routes URL
- ✦ Analyses request (GET, POST, parameters...)
- ✦ Generates response (Gather data, process it, prepare content, present it, error handling)

MVC pattern

- ✦ Model-view-controller
 - ✦ Model: handles data representation and logic
 - ✦ ORM
 - ✦ View: handles presentation
 - ✦ Template inheritance
 - ✦ Controller: handles input processing and flow control

Further concepts

- Forms
- Redirects (3xx, 404, 500)
- Cookies and sessions
- Internationalisation and localisation
- Security
- Performance
 - Caching
 - Compression

Questions?

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