

Django: Getting Started

STARTING A DJANGO PROJECT



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Overview



Introducing Django

Requirements

Project demo

Create a project and run it



django

Python web framework

Build web apps quickly

With less code

Named after Django Reinhardt



Batteries Included

ORM

Templates

Forms

Admin

URL mapping

Packages



What You Should Know Already



Python
Basics



Web development
Basic HTML
Basic CSS



Databases
Basic concepts
Tables, rows
INSERT/UPDATE



Software Requirements



Any operating system: Linux, Mac OS, Windows



Python 3.6, 3.7, or 3.8. Latest version is recommended.



An editor with Python support. I use Pycharm Community Edition.



Project Preview



Demo



Starting a Django project

- Start a Pycharm project
- Install Django
- Create a Django project
- Run the project
- Inspect the results




```
# Install the latest Django release
```

```
python -m pip install django
```

```
# Starting the project
```

```
django-admin startproject my-project-name
```

Starting a Django project

Best practice: always install packages inside a virtual environment

Pycharm creates an environment for you when starting a project

The django-admin script is installed inside the virtual environment

So it should be active when running this



```
# Move into the project directory
```

```
cd my-project-name
```

```
# Run the development server
```

```
python manage.py runserver
```

Running the project

This runs the Django development server

Will reload Python code automatically

Stop the server with `Ctrl+C`



Do NOT use the Django
development server
in production



Course Materials

[https://github.com/codesensei-courses/
django_getting_started](https://github.com/codesensei-courses/django_getting_started)



Summary



Installing Django

Setting up a Django project

Running the project

Exploring the project contents

