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Python Course - Django Advanced Features

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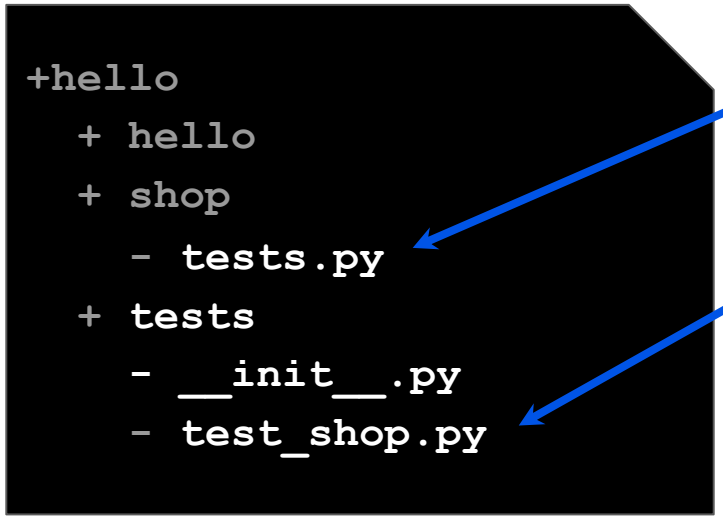
Testing in Django

Directory Tree

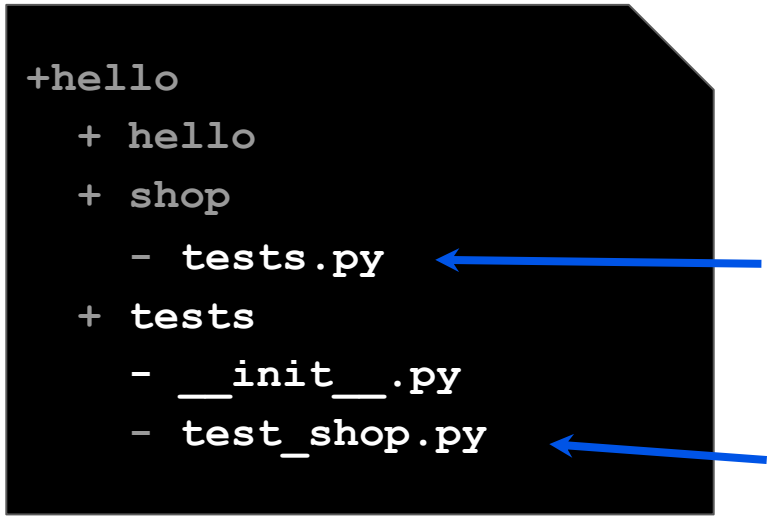


Creating a Django app with **`django-admin`** (or **`manage.py`**) already creates a file named **`tests.py`** inside the app directory.

Another common approach is to create a tests folder on the root directory and add any amount of files in it.

Django will search any file in the directory tree whose name starts with **`test`** and will run any test defined in it.

Directory Tree



Using one approach or the other is a personal choice.

If the Django app is designed as a Django package (installable on top of any Django project) the tests should be packed with the package.

If the Django app is just a feature in our site and is not meant to be installed on other Django projects, we may prefer to place all tests in one place.

Running Django Tests

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```
(env) $ python manage.py test
System check identified no issues (0 silenced).

----------------------------------------------------------------------
Ran 0 tests in 0.000s

OK
```

Defining Unit Tests

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Django uses the standard library module **unittest** that provides a class named **`TestCase`**.

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_something(self):
        """Test a feature."""
        print("Testing something.")
    def test_something_else(self):
        """Test another feature."""
        print("Testing something else.")
```

Defining Unit Tests

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```
(env) $ python manage.py test
Creating test database for alias 'default'...
System check identified no issues (0 silenced).
Testing something
.Testing something else
.
----------------------------------------------------------------------
Ran 2 tests in 0.007s

OK
Destroying test database for alias 'default'...
```

Unit Tests Output

```
(env) $ python manage.py test
Creating test database for alias 'default'...
System check identified no issues (0 silenced).
Testing something
.Testing something el
.
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Ran 2 tests in 0.007s

OK
Destroying test database for alias 'default'...
```

By default, Django creates a temporary database, so that tests who use it don't impact the development database.

When tests are complete, it destroys the temporary database.

Unit Tests Output

```
(env) $ python manage.py test
Creating test database for alias 'default'...
System check identified no issues (0 silenced).
Testing something
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Ran 2 tests in 0.007s

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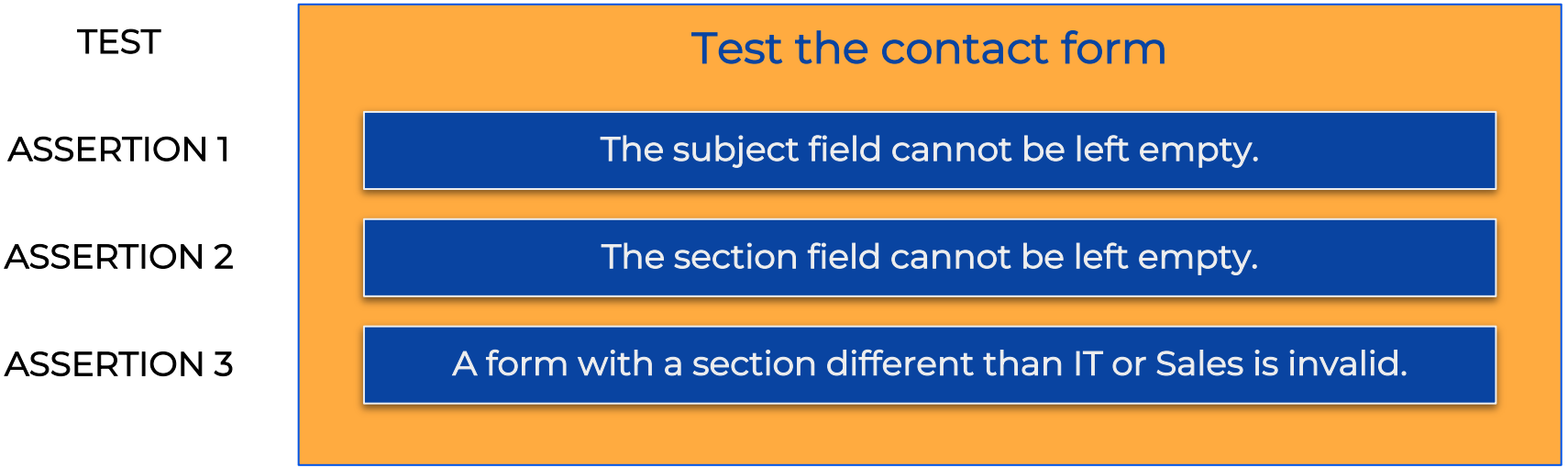
Every test method gets executed.
Each point indicates a test executed.

Once finished, unittest shows a summary of the results.

Assertions


TEST
Test the contact form
ASSERTION 1
The subject field cannot be left empty.
ASSERTION 2
The section field cannot be left empty.
ASSERTION 3
A form with a section different than IT or Sales is invalid.

Assertions: assertEqual

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase
from shop.app import ContactForm

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_contact_form(self):
        """Test the contact form."""
        form = ContactForm()
        self.assertEqual(form.is_valid(), False)
```

The value of **`form.is_valid()`** must be equal to **`False`**.

Assertions: assertEqual

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase
from shop.app import ContactForm

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_contact_form(self):
        """Test the contact form."""
        form = ContactForm()
        self.assertEqual(form.is_valid(), True)
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File ".../shop/tests.py", line 8, in test_contact_form
    self.assertEqual(form.is_valid(), True)
AssertionError: False != True
```

Assertions: assertTrue & assertFalse

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shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase
from shop.app import ContactForm

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_contact_form(self):
        """Test the contact form."""
        form = ContactForm()
        self.assertFalse(form.is_valid())
```

The value of **`form.is_valid()`** must be equal to **`False`**, so the shortcut **`assertFalse`** can also be used.

Assertions

As Django uses the module **unittest**, it has all the assertions provided by this module.

assertEqual(a, b)	a == b
assertNotEqual(a, b)	a != b
assertTrue(x)	bool(x) is True
assertFalse(x)	bool(x) is False
assertIs(a, b)	a is b
assertIsNot(a, b)	a is not b
assertIsNone(x)	x is None
assertIsNotNone(x)	x is not None
assertIn(a, b)	a in

Choosing Tests to Run

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```
(env) $ python manage.py test
(env) $ python manage.py test shop
(env) $ python manage.py test shop.tests
(env) $ python manage.py test shop.tests.ShopTestCase
(env) $ python manage.py test shop.tests.ShopTestCase.test_contact_form
(env) $ python manage.py test --pattern="test_shop*.py"
```

1. Run all tests.
2. Run all tests in the **`shop`** app.
3. Run all tests in the **`tests`** module of the **`shop`** app.
4. Run all tests in the **`ShopTestCase`** class of the **`tests`** module in the **`shop`** app.
5. Run the **`test_contact_form`** in **`ShopTestCase`** of the **`tests`** module in the **`shop`** app.
6. Run all tests in any Python file whose name starts with **`test_shop`**.

Choosing Tests to Run: Tags

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import tag, TestCase
from shop.app import ContactForm

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    @tag("form", "contact")
    def test_contact_form(self):
        """Test the contact form."""
```

Multiple tags can be defined for each test.

```
(env) $ python manage.py test --tag=form
```

Run all tests tagged as **`form`** in any Python file anywhere on the directory tree.

Django Utility Tools: Client

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shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import Client, TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_login(self):
        """Test the login."""
        client = Client()
        response = client.get("/shop/")
        self.assertEqual(response.status_code, 302)
```

Client is an interface we can use to test client HTTP requests and responses.

Django Utility Tools: Client

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shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_login(self):
        """Test the login."""
        response = self.client.get("/shop/")
        self.assertEqual(response.status_code, 302)
```

Django's `TestCase` class already includes a `Client` instance in its `client` property.

Django Utility Tools: Client

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_login(self):
        """Test the login."""
        ...
        response = self.client.get("/shop/", follow=True)
        print(response.redirect_chain)
        target = response.redirect_chain[0][0]
        self.assertEqual(target, "/shop/login/")
```

```
[('/shop/login/', 302)]
```

If the **follow** argument is set to **True**, it will execute the redirection and a property named **redirect_chain** will be available on the **response** object.

Django Utility Tools: Client

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_login(self):
        """Test the login."""
        ...
        data = {"username": "a", "password": "b"}
        response = self.client.post("/shop/login/",
                                    data)
        ...
```

The `Client` instance can also be used to test HTTP POST requests.

Used with `follow=True`, will let us see exactly what happens in the `redirect_chain`.

Django Utility Tools: Client Response

shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def test_login(self):
        """Test the login."""
        ...
        response = self.client.get("/shop/")
        ...
```

The **`response`** object returned by the **`Client`**'s methods is not an **`HttpResponse`**.

Properties of **`response`**:

- client
  The Client instance.
- content
  The content returned.
- context
  The context used in the template rendering.
- json
  The JSON content as a dictionary.
- ...

Tapping the Test Control Flow

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shop/tests.py

```
from django.test import TestCase

class ShopTestCase(TestCase):
    def setUp(self):
        """Run before each test."""
    def tearDown(self):
        """Run after each test."""
    @classmethod
    def setUpClass(cls):
        """Run before any test in this class."""
    @classmethod
    def tearDownClass(cls):
        """Run after all tests in this class."""
```

The unittest library provides methods that can be used to tap into the control flow.

We learned ...

- That Django uses the Python module **unittest**.
- How to organize our test files in the directory tree.
- How to define and run tests using Django.
- How to run tests on forms and views.
- That we can use tags to choose what tests to run.
- How to execute instructions before and after the tests.

Documentation

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- https://docs.djangoproject.com/en/4.2/topics/testing/
- https://docs.python.org/3/library/unittest.html

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