



PYTHON PROGRAMMING AND MACHINE LEARNING

MODEL ENGINEERING

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- **Server**
- Model Deployment



- WSGI Server
 - A Web Server Gateway Interface (WSGI) server implements the web server side of the WSGI interface for running Python web applications.
- Flask
 - Lightweight Web application framework
 - *Not scalable and not recommended for production environment, we can develop a Waitress Server to load a Flask application*
- Waitress
 - is a WSGI *application*

Writing a simple service -1

```
from flask import Flask,  
request, jsonify  
from waitress import serve  
  
app = Flask(__name__)  
  
@app.route("/")  
def hello():  
    return "Hello world!"  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    serve(app, host="0.0.0.0",  
port=8080)
```

First parameter represent the name of the module if we use multi packages in Flask. In a single module, it's not so important

This code is only executed once.

Very common python code in many frameworks

Writing a simple service -2

```
from flask import Flask,  
request, jsonify  
from waitress import serve  
  
app = Flask(__name__)  
  
@app.route("/")  
def hello():  
    return "Hello world!"  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    serve(app, host="0.0.0.0",  
port=8080)
```

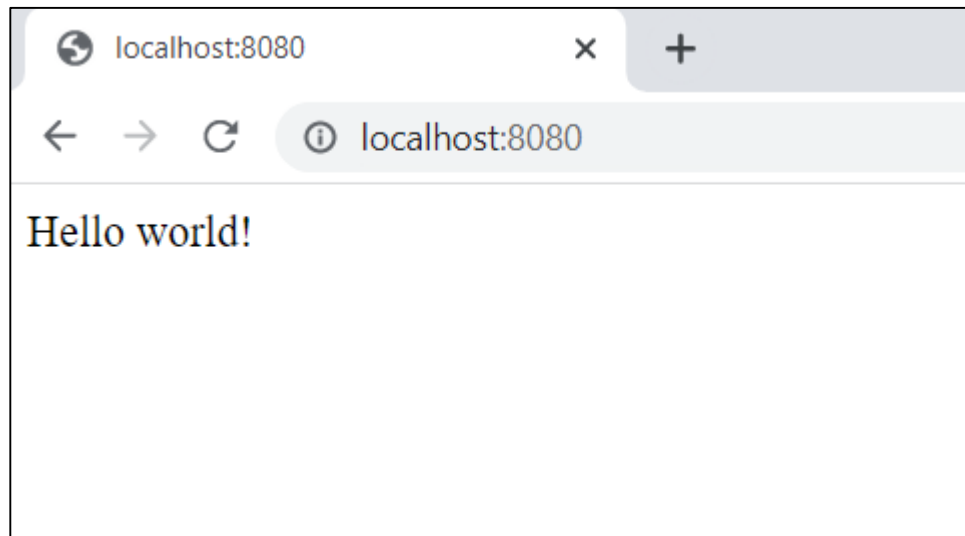
We bind the root URL "/" to hello() function.

The return type must be
a string,
a tuple of (response, status
code),
a Response object or
a WSGI callable (need to
understand WSGI, etc)

Can be used to return
HTML for web application,
or JSON/XML/text for web
services

Starting the Python Server

Start the server and send a request from the browser





Service – Binding url Argument

app.py

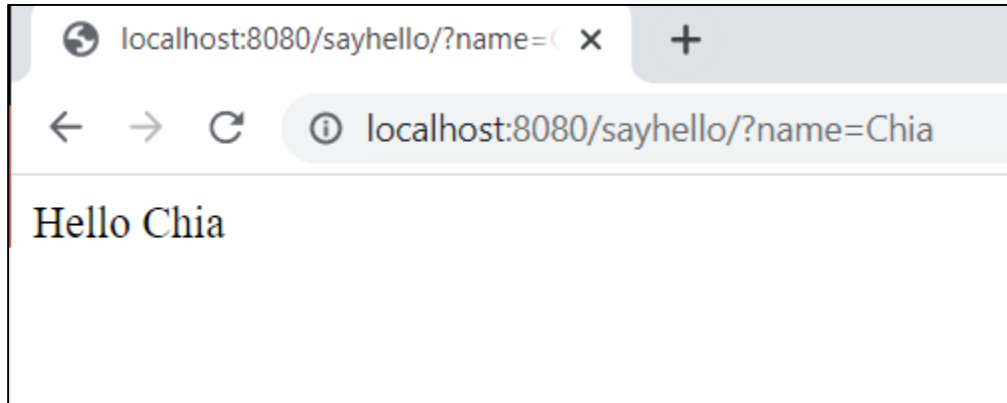
```
@app.route('/sayhello/', methods=['GET', 'POST'])
def say_hello():
    name = request.args.get('name') or request.form.get('name')
    return "Hello " + str(name or '')
```

- We bind the URL **"/sayhello"** to **say_hello()** function.
- We get the name either from the URL's **query string** or from the **form** submitted using POST method – therefore we use the 'or' trick here
- We return a simple text



Testing the Service -1

- Get Request:





Testing the Post Request

Alternatives

- Create a web application (e.g. .Net MVC web client)
- Using Postman (which could be downloaded from the internet)



Testing the Service -2

- Form Post Request:

The screenshot shows the Postman interface for a POST request. The request method is POST, and the URL is http://localhost:8080/sayhello?name=Chia. The query parameters section shows a single parameter 'name' with the value 'Chia'. The response body is 'Hello Chia'.

KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
name	Chia	

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name	Chia	

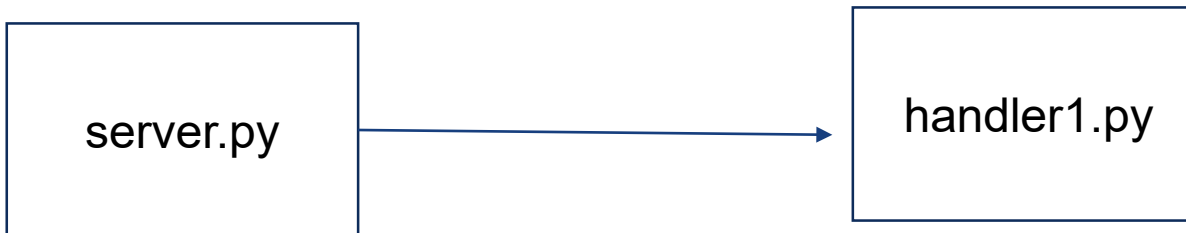
Body: Hello Chia

Testing the service using Postman



Coding the Server

- The codes in the server could refer to another python program file





Putting the code in Separate files -1

- The operations could be coded in separate python files

handler1.py

```
def hello():  
    return "Hello world!"  
  
def say_hello():  
    name = request.args.get('name') or  
           request.form.get('name')  
    return "Hello " + str(name or '')
```



Putting the code in Separate files -2

server.py

```
#. . .  
  
app = Flask(__name__)  
  
app.add_url_rule('/',view_func=handler1.hello)  
  
app.add_url_rule('/sayhello/',  
    view_func=handler1.say_hello, methods=['GET','POST'])  
  
#. . .
```



Topics

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- **Model Deployment**



Deployment Preparation

- Ensure you have installed the following packages in your environment
 - flask
 - waitress
 - pickle



Pickle Module

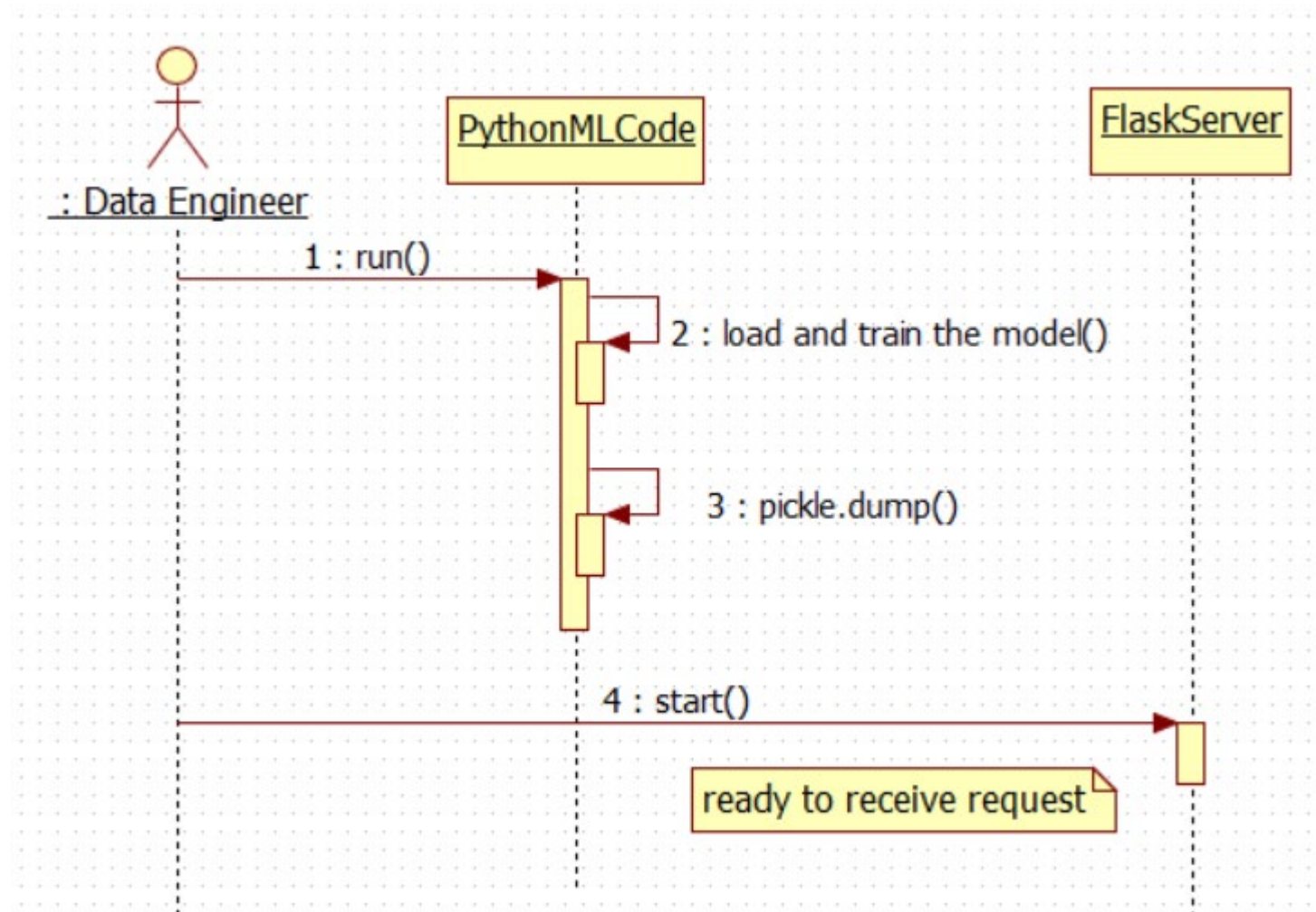
- The **pickle** module implements binary protocols for serializing and de-serializing a Python object structure.
- “*Pickling*” is the process whereby a Python object hierarchy is converted into a byte stream

<https://docs.python.org/3/library/pickle.html#:~:text=%E2%80%9CPickling%E2%80%9D%20is%20the%20process%20whereby,back%20into%20an%20object%20hierarchy.>



Deployment Workflow

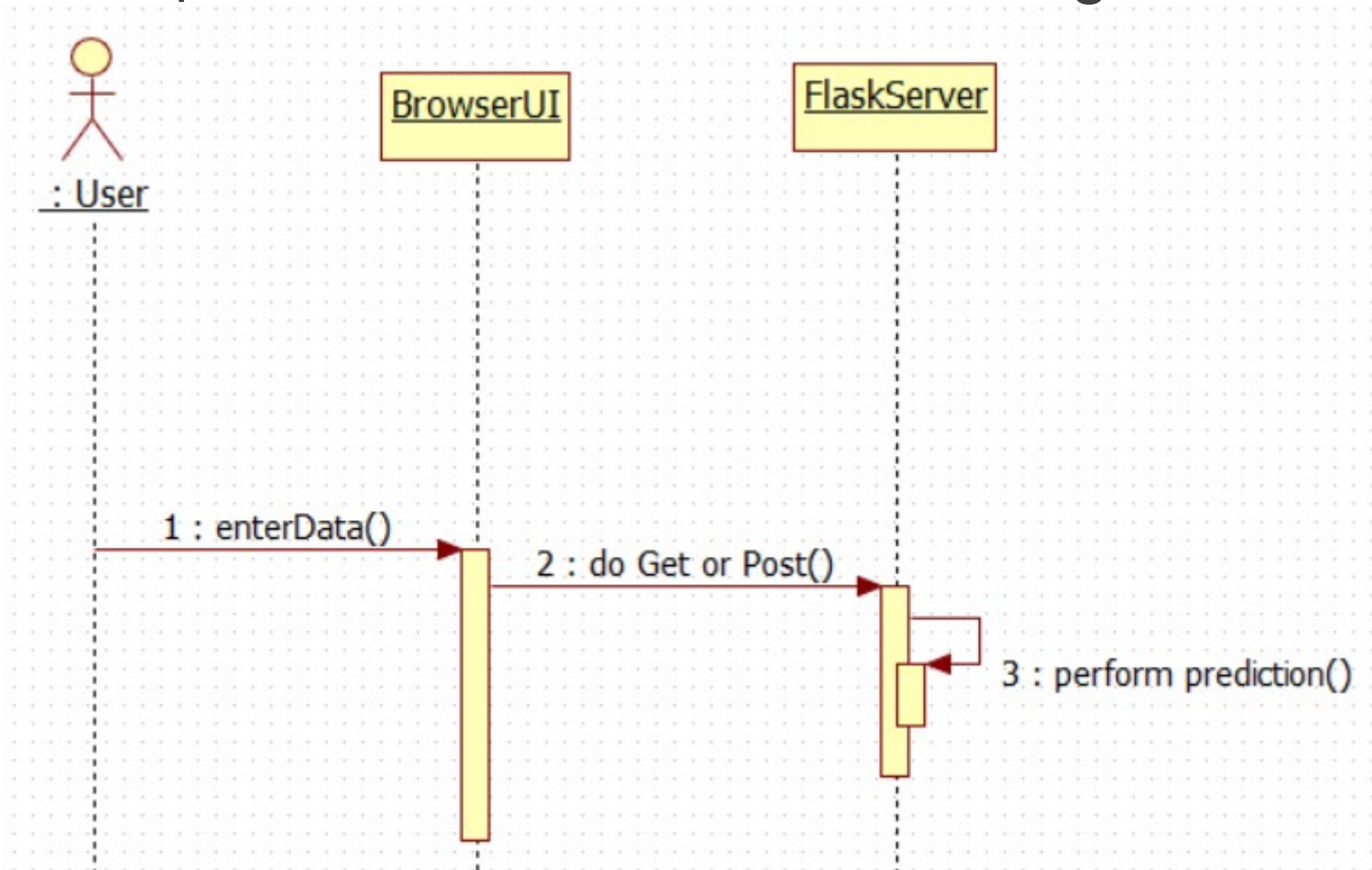
- Serialize the objects through pickle





Executing the Deployed Object

- The user sends a request to the server, the performs the required action and returns a message





Summary

- Server
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 - Flask
 - Waitress
 - Pickle