Web Application in Django Report

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1 Introduction

I have created a web application in Django framework, which is connected with a relational database in MySql. That simple application allows to rent a car in one of the biggest 60 cities in the USA. The motivation came from the topic of my master thesis. That topic is strongly connected with car models databases, so, having already some data, I decided to connect it with some other data and generate a web application for renting cars.

2 Databases

As the start point, I was learning Django framework from YouTube tutorial, where a blog web application was created. I was following those videos and created a similar blog web application, which was modernised to the rent web application later. So I had the basic web application in the beginning. After that, I had to create a database and connect it with Django framework. Tables have been created during the process of Django migrations. In my database, I have 6 tables. They are:

- 1. **auth_user** (login, password, name, surname and other info about application user). Table with all registered users.
- 2. blog_cars (manufacturer, model, engine capacity, fuel type and other information)
- 3. **blog_city** (city, state, population)
- 4. **blog_rent** (date of renting, city and car)
- 5. **blog_booking** (booking date, price, rent and customer information)
- 6. **blog_post** (title, content, date of post, author). Admin can add some articles, which can be interesting for customers.

The next step was to import data, which was stored in .csv files. Python script was used to perform that. Then I have connected my database to Django framework, using settings.py file.

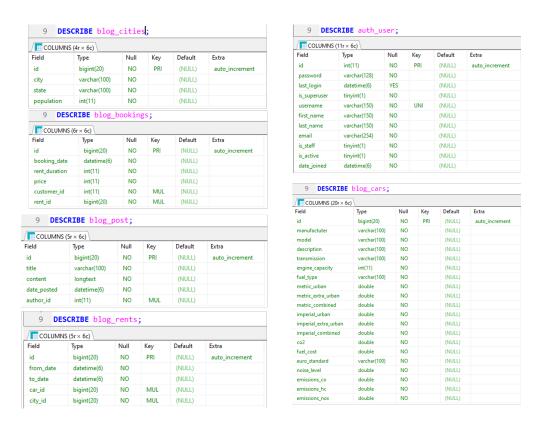


Figure 1: Description of generated tables in database

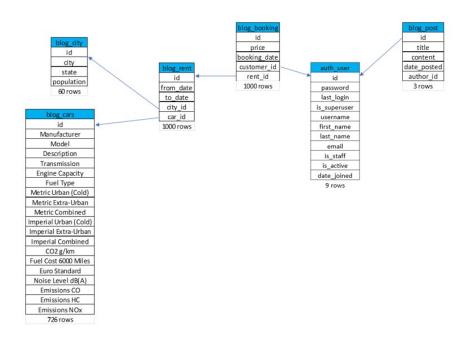


Figure 2: ERD Diagram

3 Functionality

The html files are responsible for the visual aspect of the application. My home views for logged in and logged-out users look in the following way:

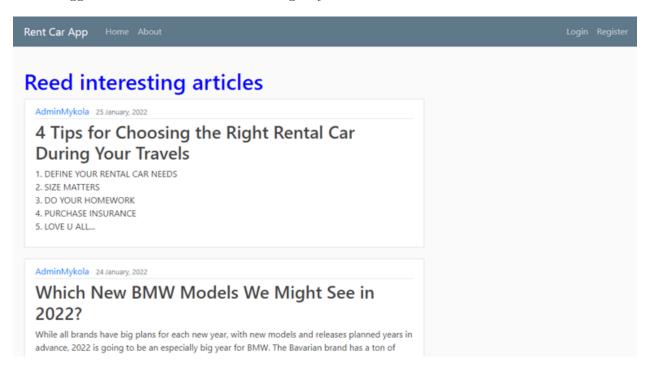


Figure 3: Screenshot of home page for logged out user

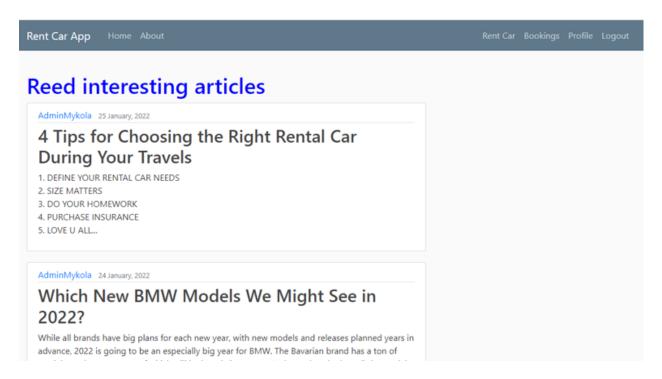


Figure 4: Screenshot of Home Page for logged in user

If the user is not logged in, it is possible to login or register. I have used crispy forms for security goals. Created password has to be quite strong and meet several conditions. Django also keep the password encrypted in the database.

As it is possible to notice on the screenshots above, bookmarks Home and About are available for all.

Home Page. On Home bookmark, there are articles about cars, which were posted by Admin. Posts can be added, updated and deleted only by Admin.

About Page. On the About Page everyone can read short description about Rent Car App.



Figure 5: Screenshot of About Page

Rent Car Page. Every logged-in user(Admin, Accountant, or Customer) have access to Rent Car Bookmark. User can choose options of renting a car (choose city, car brand and dates). After clicking Search, only models of chosen brand will be shown and user can book the concrete car. That page looks in the following way:

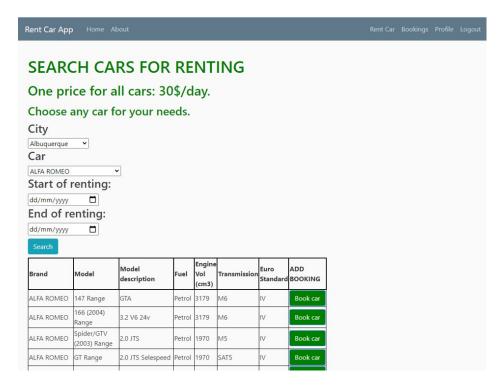


Figure 6: Screenshot of Rent Page

Booking Page. Admin and Accountant have access to the whole bookings table. They can search bookings made by concrete customer and they have possibility to delete any booking. However, customer can see only his own bookings and have possibility to delete only them.

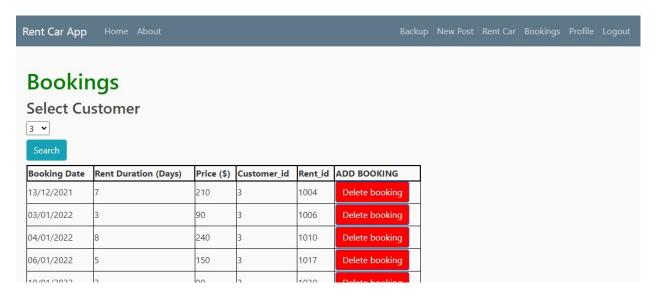


Figure 7: Screenshot of Booking Page (Admin, Accountant)

Profile Page. Profile Page is available for every logged-in user. Such user can update information in his profile and add profile images. An example of such Profile Page is illustrated below.

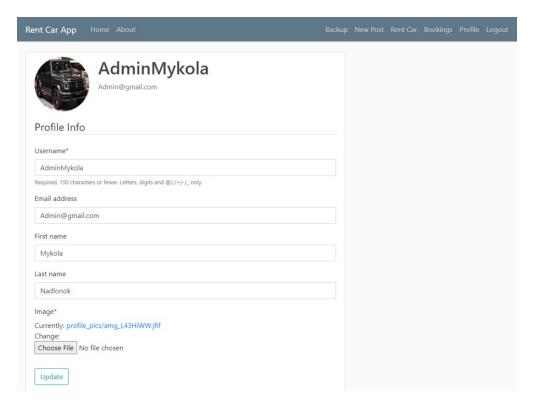


Figure 8: Screenshot of Profile Page

On figure 9 it is possible to notice that Admin has one additional bookmark, which is not available for other users.

BackUp Page. Admin can create backup and restore data from backup.



Figure 9: Screenshot of BackUp Page

My project has 3 folders (django_project, blog, users) and the file manage.py.

Folder django_project - responsible for application's working and connecting to database;

Folder user - responsible for registration process and manipulation with user profile;

Folder blog_app - responsible for the main logic of renting car application.

To run the created application, it is neccesary to enter the command "python manage.py runserver" in the project folder.