Django REST Framework

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Good practices? What's that?

- DRY Don't Repeat Yourself
- KISS Keep It Simple Stupid
- PEP8 Style Guide for Python Code

E741 - Variables named I, O, and I can be very hard to read. This is because the letter I and the letter I are easily confused, and the letter O and the number O can be easily confused.

Useful tools

- Flake8
- mccabe
- pylint
- isort

Before isort

```
from my_lib import Object
print("Hey")
import os
from my_lib import Object3
from my lib import Object2
import sys
from third party import lib15, lib1, lib2, lib3, lib4, lib5, lib6, lib7, lib8, lib9, lib10, lib11, lib12
import sys
from __future__ import absolute import
from third_party import lib3
print("yo")
```

After isort

```
from __future__ import absolute import
import os
import sys
from third_party import (lib1, lib2, lib3, lib4, lib5, lib6, lib7, lib8,
                lib9, lib10, lib11, lib12)
from my lib import Object, Object2, Object3
print("Hey")
print("yo")
```

Most common errors in writing code IMHO

- from some_package import *
- Python is not Java, use sneak_case
- naming variables meaningless
- writing code without blank lines to separate sections
- overuse of one-liners
- mixing Class-Based Views and Function-Based Views in one app

Tests

"Code without tests is broken as designed"

Jacob Kaplan-Moss

Tests

TDD – Test Driven Development

Useful libraries:

- unittest / unittest2
- pytest
- nose
- coverage
- model_mommy
- FactoryBoy

Django REST Framework

- Serializers
- Views
- Viewsets
- Routers
- Throttling
- Filtering
- Testing
- and more...

Example models

from django.db import models **class Article**(models.Model): title = models.CharField(max_length=100) rank = models.PositiveIntegerField(default=0) **class Comment**(models.Model): article = models.ForeignKey(Article, on delete=models.CASCADE, related name='comments', text = models.TextField(default=")

DRF Serializers

```
from rest_framework import serializers

from .models import Article

class ArticleSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    class Meta:
        fields = ('id', 'title', 'rank')
        model = Article
```

DRF Serializers fields

- BooleamField
- CharField
- IntegerField
- DateTimeField
- FileField
- ListField
- ReadOnlyField
- ModelField
- SerializerMethodField
- and many more...

Nested serializers

```
class CommentSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
  class Meta:
     model = Comment
    fields = ('text', )
class ArticleSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
  comments = CommentSerializer(many=True)
  class Meta:
    model = Article
    fields = ('title', 'comments')
```

Serializers validation

from rest_framework.validators import UniqueTogetherValidator

```
class ExampleSerializer(serializers.Serializer):
  # ...
  class Meta:
     validators = [
       UniqueTogetherValidator(
          queryset=ToDoltem.objects.all(),
          fields=('list', 'position')
```

DRF Views

```
from rest framework.views import APIView
from rest framework.response import Response
from django.contrib.auth.models import User
class ListUsers(APIView):
  """View to list all users in the system."""
  def get(self, request, format=None):
    Return a list of all users.
     *****
     usernames = User.objects.values list('username', flat=True)
     return Response(usernames)
```

DRF Views

```
from rest_framework.decorators import api_view
from rest_framework.response import Response
@api_view()
def hello_world(request):
    return Response({"message": "Hello, world!"})
```

Generic views

The generic views provided by REST framework allow you to quickly build API views that map closely to your database models.

If the generic views don't suit the needs of your API, you can drop down to using the regular APIView class, or reuse the mixins and base classes used by the generic views to compose your own set of reusable generic views.

Generic views

from django.contrib.auth.models import User from myapp.serializers import UserSerializer from rest_framework import generics

```
class UserList(generics.ListCreateAPIView):
   queryset = User.objects.all()
   serializer class = UserSerializer
```

Mixins

- ListModelMixin
- CreateModelMixin
- RetrieveModelMixin
- UpdateModelMixin
- DestroyModelMixin

Concrete View Classes

- CreateAPIView
- ListAPIView
- RetrieveAPIView
- DestroyAPIView
- UpdateAPIView
- ListCreateAPIView
- and more...

DRF Viewsets and routers

Django REST framework allows you to combine the logic for a set of related views in a single class, called a ViewSet.

In other frameworks you may also find conceptually similar implementations named something like 'Resources' or 'Controllers'.

DRF Viewsets and routers

```
from rest framework import viewsets
from rest_framework.routers import DefaultRouter
from .serializers import ArticleSeralizer
class ArticleViewSet(viewsets.ModelViewSet):
  queryset = Article.objects.all()
  serializer class = ArticleSeralizer
router = DefaultRouter()
router.register(r'articles', ArticlesViewSet, basename='article')
```

DRF Viewsets and routers

from rest_framework import mixins, viewsets

class CreateListArticlesViewSet(mixins.ListModelMixin, mixins.CreateModelMixin, viewsets.GenericViewSet):

Routers mapping

URL Style	HTTP Method	Action	URL Name
{prefix}/	GET	list	{basename}-list
	POST	create	
{prefix}/{url_path}/	GET, or as specified by `methods` argument	`@action(detail=False)` decorated method	{basename}- {url_name}
{prefix}/{lookup}/	GET	retrieve	{basename}-detail
	PUT	update	
	PATCH	partial_update	
	DELETE	destroy	
{prefix}/{lookup}/{url_path}/	GET, or as specified by `methods` argument	`@action(detail=True)` decorated method	{basename}- {url_name}

Filtering

```
from rest_framework import filters
```

```
class UserListView(generics.ListAPIView):
   queryset = User.objects.all()
   serializer_class = UserSerializer
   filter_backends = (filters.SearchFilter,)
   search fields = ('username', 'email')
```

GET http://example.com/api/users?search=russell

Ordering

```
class UserListView(generics.ListAPIView):
    queryset = User.objects.all()
    serializer_class = UserSerializer
    filter_backends = (filters.OrderingFilter,)
    ordering_fields = ('username', 'email')
```

GET http://example.com/api/users?ordering=username

Serializer context

There are some cases where you need to provide extra context to the serializer in addition to the object being serialized.

```
serializer = AccountSerializer(account, context={'request': request}) serializer.data
```

{'id': 6, 'owner': u'denvercoder9', 'created': datetime.datetime(2013, 2, 12, 09, 44, 56, 678870), 'details': 'http://example.com/accounts/6/details'}

Overriding to_representation() method

When you need more serializers ... use get_serializer

```
class ArticleViewSet(viewsets.ModelViewSet):
    def get_serializer_class(self):
        if self.action == 'create':
            return CreateArticleSeralizer
        elif self.action == 'list':
            return ListArticleSeralizer
        return ArticleSeralizer
```

ORM optimization in DRF

```
class ArticleSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    comments = serializers.SerializerMethodField()

class Meta:
    fields = ('id', 'title', 'comments' 'rank')
    model = Article

def get_comments(self, obj):
    return obj.comments.count()
```

ORM optimization in DRF

```
from django.db.models import Count
class ArticleViewSet(viewsets.ModelViewSet):
  queryset = Article.objects.annotate(comment_count=Count('comments')).all()
class ArticleSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
  comments = serializers.IntegerField(source='comment count')
  class Meta:
     fields = ('id', 'title', 'comments' 'rank')
     model = Article
```

Throttling

Throttling is similar to permissions, in that it determines if a request should be authorized. Throttles indicate a temporary state, and are used to control the rate of requests that clients can make to an API.

Throttling

```
REST FRAMEWORK = {
  'DEFAULT THROTTLE CLASSES': (
    'rest_framework.throttling.AnonRateThrottle',
    'rest framework.throttling.UserRateThrottle'
  'DEFAULT THROTTLE RATES': {
    'anon': '100/day',
    'user': '1000/day'
```

Permissions in DRF

Together with authentication and throttling, permissions determine whether a request should be granted or denied access.

```
REST_FRAMEWORK = {
    'DEFAULT_PERMISSION_CLASSES': (
        'rest_framework.permissions.lsAuthenticated',
    )
}
```

Permissions in DRF

```
from rest framework.permissions import IsAuthenticated
from rest framework.response import Response
from rest framework.views import APIView
class ExampleView(APIView):
  permission classes = (IsAuthenticated,)
  def get(self, request, format=None):
    content = {
       'status': 'request was permitted'
    return Response(content)
```

Authentication

Authentication is the mechanism of associating an incoming request with a set of identifying credentials, such as the user the request came from, or the token that it was signed with.

The permission and throttling policies can then use those credentials to determine if the request should be permitted.

Authentication

```
REST_FRAMEWORK = {
    'DEFAULT_AUTHENTICATION_CLASSES': (
        'rest_framework.authentication.BasicAuthentication',
        'rest_framework.authentication.SessionAuthentication',
    )
}
```

Authentication

```
from rest framework.authentication import SessionAuthentication,
BasicAuthentication
from rest framework.permissions import IsAuthenticated
class ExampleView(APIView):
  authentication classes = (SessionAuthentication, BasicAuthentication)
  permission classes = (IsAuthenticated,)
  def get(self, request, format=None):
    content = {
       'user': unicode(request.user), # `django.contrib.auth.User` instance.
    return Response(content)
```

Cache results of time-consuming operations

```
class BasketSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    ...

def get_sum_with_tax(self, obj):
    if not hasattr(self, '_sum'):
        self._sum = obj.calc_sum()
    return self._sum * TAX_RATE
```

Testing in DRF

```
from django.urls import reverse
from rest framework import status
from rest framework.test import APITestCase
from myproject.apps.core.models import Account
class AccountTests(APITestCase):
  def test create account(self):
    """Ensure we can create a new account object."""
    url = reverse('account-list')
    data = {'name': 'DabApps'}
    response = self.client.post(url, data, format='ison')
    self.assertEqual(response.status code, status.HTTP 201 CREATED)
    self.assertEqual(Account.objects.count(), 1)
    self.assertEqual(Account.objects.get().name, 'DabApps')
```

How to extend DRF?

- DRF Writable Nested
- Dynamic Serializer Fields
- DRF Nested routers
- Django filters and DRF filters

DRF Writable Nested

```
class CreateArticleSeralizer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    comments = CommentSerializer(many=True)

class Meta:
    model = Article
    fields = ('title', 'comments')
```

AssertionError: The `.create()` method does **not** support writable nested fields by default.

Write an explicit `.create()` method **for** serializer `articles.serializers.CreateArticleSeralizer`, **or** set `read_only=True` on nested serializer fields.

DRF Writable Nested

This is a writable nested model serializer for Django REST Framework which allows you to create/update your models with related nested data.

The following relations are supported:

- OneToOne (direct/reverse)
- ForeignKey (direct/reverse)
- ManyToMany (direct/reverse excluding m2m relations with through model)
- GenericRelation (this is always only reverse)

DRF Writable Nested

from drf_writable_nested import WritableNestedModelSerializer

```
class CreateArticleSeralizer(WritableNestedModelSerializer):
    comments = CommentSerializer(many=True)

class Meta:
    model = Article
    fields = ('title', 'comments')
```

Dynamic Serializer Fields

```
GET /articles/
 GET /articles/?fields=id,title
 GET /articles/?omit=rank
from drf dynamic fields import DynamicFieldsMixin
class ArticleSeralizer(DynamicFieldsMixin, serializers.ModelSerializer):
  class Meta:
    fields = ('id', 'title', 'rank')
    model = Article
```

DRF Nested routers

```
from rest_framework_nested import routers
from .views import ArticleViewSet, CommentViewSet

router = routers.SimpleRouter()
router.register(r'articles', ArticleViewSet)

comment_router = routers.NestedSimpleRouter(router, r'articles', lookup='article')
comment_router.register(r'comments', CommentViewSet,
base name='article-comments')
```

DRF Nested routers

```
^articles/$ [name='article-list']
```

^articles/(?P<pk>[^/.]+)/\$ [name='article-detail']

^articles/(?P<article_pk>[^/.]+)/comments/\$ [name='article-comments-list']

^articles/(?P<article_pk>[^/.]+)/comments/(?P<pk>[^/.]+)/\$ [name='article-comments-detail']

Django filter and DRF Filters

from django_filters.rest_framework import DjangoFilterBackend

```
class ProductList(generics.ListAPIView):
    queryset = Product.objects.all()
    serializer_class = ProductSerializer
    filter_backends = (DjangoFilterBackend,)
    filter_fields = ('category', 'in_stock')
```

GET http://example.com/api/products?category=clothing&in_stock=True

JSON Web Token Authentication support for DRF

JSON Web Token Authentication support for Django REST Framework

Django REST Auth

- User Registration with activation
- Login/Logout
- Retrieve/Update the Django User model
- Password change
- Password reset via e-mail
- Social Media authentication

Links

- https://pycodestyle.readthedocs.io/en/latest/intro.html#error-codes
- https://www.djangoproject.com/
- https://www.django-rest-framework.org/
- https://github.com/carltongibson/django-filter
- https://github.com/django-guardian/django-guardian
- https://github.com/alanjds/drf-nested-routers
- https://github.com/dbrgn/drf-dynamic-fields
- https://github.com/beda-software/drf-writable-nested
- https://github.com/Tivix/django-rest-auth
- https://github.com/GetBlimp/django-rest-framework-jwt
- https://github.com/berinhard/model_mommy
- https://github.com/FactoryBoy/factory_boy

Questions?