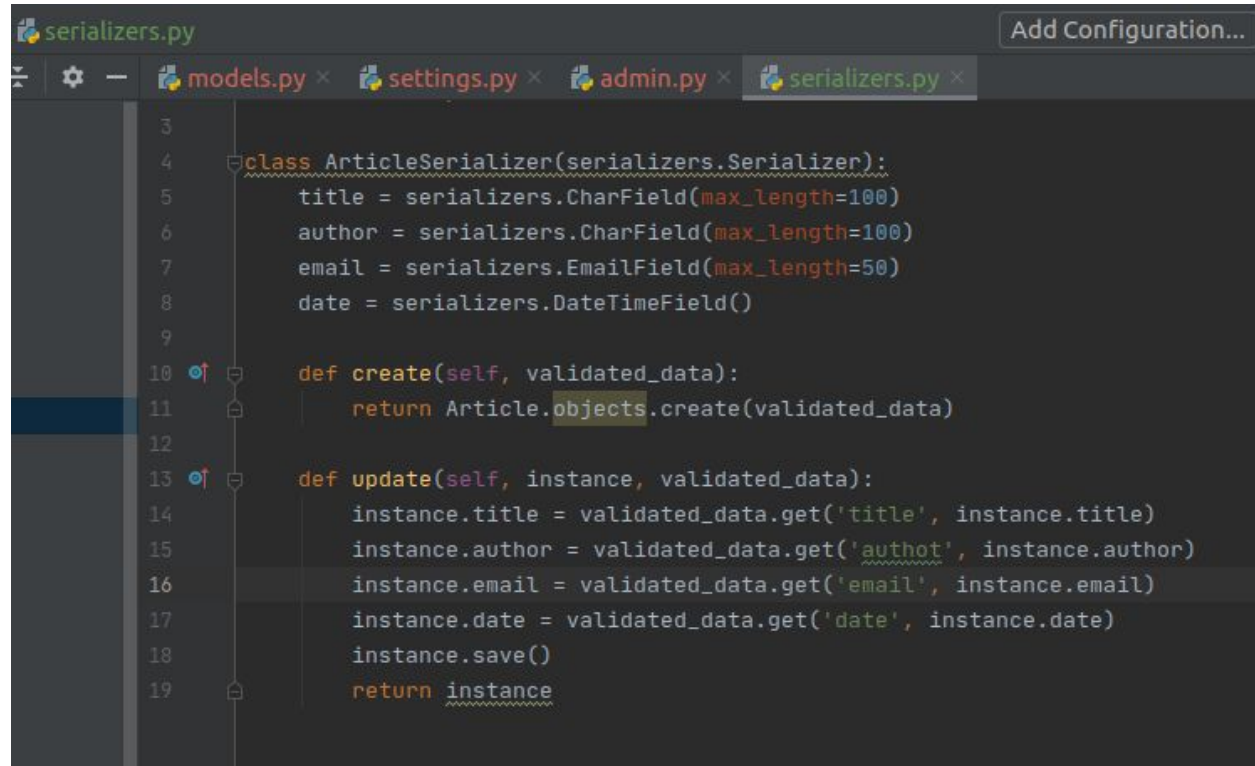


- Add `rest_framework` to `INSTALLED_APPS`.
- **Serializers:** To send data to clients, Serializers serialize the data into JSON format which is then sent to the client. Step by step guide to work with them:
 - Create `serializers.py` in your app.
 - Import your models in it.
 - Create `<Model Name>Serializer` class that inherits from `serializers.Serializer`.
 - Override its `create` and `update` methods as shown below:



```

serializers.py
class ArticleSerializer(serializers.Serializer):
    title = serializers.CharField(max_length=100)
    author = serializers.CharField(max_length=100)
    email = serializers.EmailField(max_length=50)
    date = serializers.DateTimeField()

    def create(self, validated_data):
        return Article.objects.create(validated_data)

    def update(self, instance, validated_data):
        instance.title = validated_data.get('title', instance.title)
        instance.author = validated_data.get('author', instance.author)
        instance.email = validated_data.get('email', instance.email)
        instance.date = validated_data.get('date', instance.date)
        instance.save()
        return instance

```

- Go to the shell and do the following imports:
 - `from <app name>.models import <model name>`
 - `from <app name>.serializers import <name of corresponding serializer>`
 - `from rest_framework.renderers import JSONRenderer`
 - `from rest_framework.parsers import JSONParser`
- To use serializer:
 - Create model objects.
 - Pass them to the serializer class you created:
 - `serializer = ArticleSerializer(article_object)`
 - `>>> serializer`: prints fields of serializer class.
 - `>>> serializer.data`: prints objects in dictionary.
 - This step converts the objects into a Python dictionary. To convert them into JSON objects:
 - `content = JSONRenderer().render(Article.objects.all(), many = True)`
 - `>>> content`: prints serialized objects in JSON form.

- **Model Serializers:** Instead of having to specify all fields in our serializer class, we can use `serializer.ModelSerializer` and define:
 - Class Meta:
 - `model = Article`
 - `fields = ['field1', 'field2', 'field3']`
- We get the same behaviour as with `serializer.Serializer`.
- To use Function-based views with `serializer`:
 - `from django.shortcuts import render`
 - `from django.http import HttpResponse, JsonResponse`
 - `from rest_framework.parsers import JSONParser`
 - `from .models import Article`
 - `from .serializers import ArticleSerializer`