

# django



# PostgreSQL

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Let me take you through a journey that began with an intriguing interview test, where the challenge was to weave the powers of Django and PostgreSQL into a harmonious web application.

The primary objective was to establish a robust connection between Django, a high-level Python web framework, and PostgreSQL, an open-source relational database management system.

In the midst of a challenging interview, I was handed the task of building a web application using Django and PostgreSQL as the mandatory tech stack. The mission was clear - create a connection that not only functions but does so with finesse.

I used **psycopg2** for postgresql integration. psycopg2 is a PostgreSQL adapter for the Python programming language. It is a PostgreSQL database adapter that provides a Python interface for interacting with PostgreSQL databases. This library enables Python applications to connect to, query, and manage PostgreSQL databases seamle-

ssly.

Before using **psycopg2**, make sure to install it using a package manager like pip

```
pip install psycopg2
```

**Django Database Configuration:** Configured Django settings to connect to the PostgreSQL database, specifying database credentials and connection details.

For the configuration of postgres in django goto settings.py file in your project folder and find databases then change the config settings like below shown

#change the settings.py for postgres

```
DATABASES = {  
    'default': {  
        "ENGINE": "django.db.backends.postgresql",  
        "NAME": "<database_name>",  
        "USER": "<username>",  
        "PASSWORD": "<password>",  
        "HOST": "localhost",  
        "PORT": "5433",  
    },  
    'test': {  
        "ENGINE": "django.db.backends.postgresql",  
        "NAME": "<test_database_name>",  
        "USER": "<username>",  
        "PASSWORD": "<password>",  
        "HOST": "localhost",  
        "PORT": "5433",  
    },  
}
```

**'default' and 'test':** These are aliases for the database configurations. **'default'** is used for your main application, while **'test'** is specifically for running tests.

**'ENGINE':** Specifies the database engine. In this case, it's set to **"django.db.backends.postgresql"**, indicating the use of the PostgreSQL database engine.

**'NAME':** The name of the database.

**'USER':** The username used to connect to the PostgreSQL database.

**'PASSWORD':** The password for the PostgreSQL user.

**'HOST':** The hostname or IP address of the PostgreSQL server.

**'PORT':** The port number on which the PostgreSQL server is running.

Make sure the PostgreSQL server is running, and the specified database names exist. Additionally, ensure that the PostgreSQL server is configured to accept connections on the specified host and port. Adjust the settings accordingly if you are deploying the application in a different environment, such as a production server.