# Filtering

The simplest way to filter the queryset of any view that subclasses GenericAPIView is to override the .get\_queryset() method.

Filtering against the current user

## **Generic Filtering**

REST framework also includes support for generic filtering backends that allow you to easily construct complex searches and filters.

### **DjangoFilterBackend**

The django-filter library includes a DjangoFilterBackend class which supports highly customizable field filtering for REST framework.

To use DjangoFilterBackend, first install django-filter.

pip install django-filter

```
Then add 'django_filters' to Django's INSTALLED_APPS:
INSTALLED_APPS = [
    'django_filters',
]
```

https://django-filter.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html

## Global Setting

```
Settings.py

REST_FRAMEWORK = {
    'DEFAULT_FILTER_BACKENDS':
    ['django_filters.rest_framework.DjangoFilterBackend']
}
```

### Per View Setting

You can set the filter backends on a per-view, or per-viewset basis, using the GenericAPIView class-based views.

```
from django_filters.rest_framework import DjangoFilterBackend class StudentListView(ListAPIView):
```

```
queryset = Student.objects.all()
```

```
serializer class = StudentSerializer
```

```
filter_backends = [DjangoFilterBackend]
```

### **DjangoFilterBackend**

If all you need is simple equality-based filtering, you can set a filterset\_fields attribute on the view, or viewset, listing the set of fields you wish to filter against.

```
class StudentList(ListAPIView):
    queryset = Student.objects.all()
    serializer_class = StudentSerializer
    filter_backends = [DjangoFilterBackend]
    filterset_fields = ['name', 'city']
```

http://127.0.0.1:8000/studentapi/?name=Sonam&city=Ranchi

### **SearchFilter**

The SearchFilter class supports simple single query parameter based searching, and is based on the Django admin's search functionality.

The SearchFilter class will only be applied if the view has a *search\_fields* attribute set. The search\_fields attribute should be a list of names of text type fields on the model, such as CharField or TextField.

#### **SearchFilter**

```
from rest_framework.filters import SearchFilter

class StudentListView(ListAPIView):

queryset = Student.objects.all()

serializer_class = StudentSerializer

filter_backends = [SearchFilter]

search fields = ['city']
```

http://127.0.0.1:8000/studentapi/?search=Ranchi

### **SearchFilter**

- '^' Starts-with search.
- '=' Exact matches.
- '@' Full-text search. (Currently only supported Django's PostgreSQL backend.)
- '\$' Regex search.

```
Example:-
search_fields = ['^name',]
```

http://127.0.0.1:8000/studentapi/?search=r

### **OrderingFilter**

The OrderingFilter class supports simple query parameter controlled ordering of results.

http://127.0.0.1:8000/studentapi/?ordering=name

The client may also specify reverse orderings by prefixing the field name with '-', like so:

http://127.0.0.1:8000/studentapi/?ordering=-name

Multiple orderings may also be specified:

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

### **OrderingFilter**

It's recommended that you explicitly specify which fields the API should allowing in the ordering filter. You can do this by setting an ordering\_fields attribute on the view, like so:

```
class StudentListView(generics.ListAPIView):
 queryset = Student.objects.all()
 serializer class = StudentSerializer
 filter backends = [OrderingFilter]
 ordering fields = ['name']
 ordering fields = ['name', 'city']
 ordering fields = ' all '
```