

# Python

Full stack Skills Bootcamp

# Introduction to Django Models

## ■ What is a Django Model ?

Django models define the structure of your data and map it to a database.

- Each model is a Python class that represents a database table.
- Models allow you to handle database operations using Python code, avoiding SQL queries.

## Django Models

A **model** is basically a **class** that represents a **table or collection** in our **Database**. Which contains all the information regarding the table. These models are stored together in Django in a file **models.py** in our App.

The Django logo, featuring the word "django" in a lowercase, sans-serif font.The Python logo, consisting of two interlocking snakes, one blue and one yellow.

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# Defining a Model Class

- A model class inherits from `models.Model` and defines fields as class attributes.
- Django provides various field types to represent data (e.g., `CharField`, `IntegerField`, `DateField`).

```
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from django.db import models

class Book(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=100)
    author = models.CharField(max_length=100)
```



# Field Types in Django

Django provides a variety of field types to define your data:

- **CharField**: For short text like names or titles.
- **TextField**: For longer text.
- **IntegerField**: For numeric values.
- **DateField**: For dates.
- **BooleanField**: For true/false values.

Each field comes with specific options like `max_length`, `default`, `blank`, etc.



# Default Database Configuration

- Django uses SQLite as its default database.
- SQLite is a lightweight, file-based database that's easy to set up for development.
- It requires no additional configuration and works out of the box.

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```
DATABASES = {  
    'default': {  
        'ENGINE': 'django.db.backends.sqlite3',  
        'NAME': BASE_DIR / 'db.sqlite3',  
    }  
}
```

# Other Database Configurations

- Django supports other databases like MySQL and PostgreSQL for production use.
- To configure a different database, update the DATABASES setting in settings.py.

For MySQL:

```
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DATABASES = {
    'default': {
        'ENGINE': 'django.db.backends.mysql',
        'NAME': 'mydatabase',
        'USER': 'myuser',
        'PASSWORD': 'mypassword',
        'HOST': 'localhost',
        'PORT': '3306',
    }
}
```

For PostgreSQL:

```
python
DATABASES = {
    'default': {
        'ENGINE': 'django.db.backends.postgresql',
        'NAME': 'mydatabase',
        'USER': 'myuser',
        'PASSWORD': 'mypassword',
        'HOST': 'localhost',
        'PORT': '5432',
    }
}
```

# Running Migrations

Migrations are Django's way of applying changes to your database schema.

After modifying models, create migration files by running:

- `python manage.py makemigrations`

Apply the migrations to the database by running:

- `python manage.py migrate`

Migrations ensure your database structure is synchronized with your models.

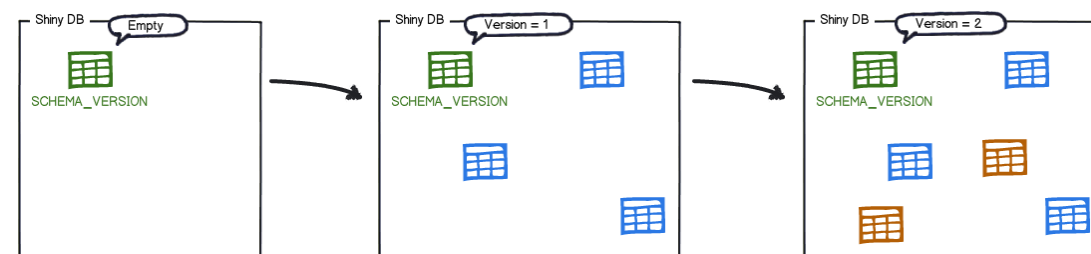
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# Tracking Database Changes with Migrations

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- Migration files are stored in your app's migrations/ directory.
- These files allow you to track changes over time and apply them in a controlled manner.



```
0001_initial.py    # Initial migration
0002_auto.py       # Auto-generated migration based on changes
```



# Customizing Migrations

- You can write custom migrations to perform advanced operations (e.g., renaming columns, altering data).
- Django provides a RunPython method that lets you execute Python code during migrations.

```
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from django.db import migrations, models

def add_default_data(apps, schema_editor):
    Book = apps.get_model('myapp', 'Book')
    Book.objects.create(title='Default Book', author='Admin')

class Migration(migrations.Migration):
    dependencies = [...]
    operations = [
        migrations.RunPython(add_default_data),
    ]
```

# Using Django Admin with Models

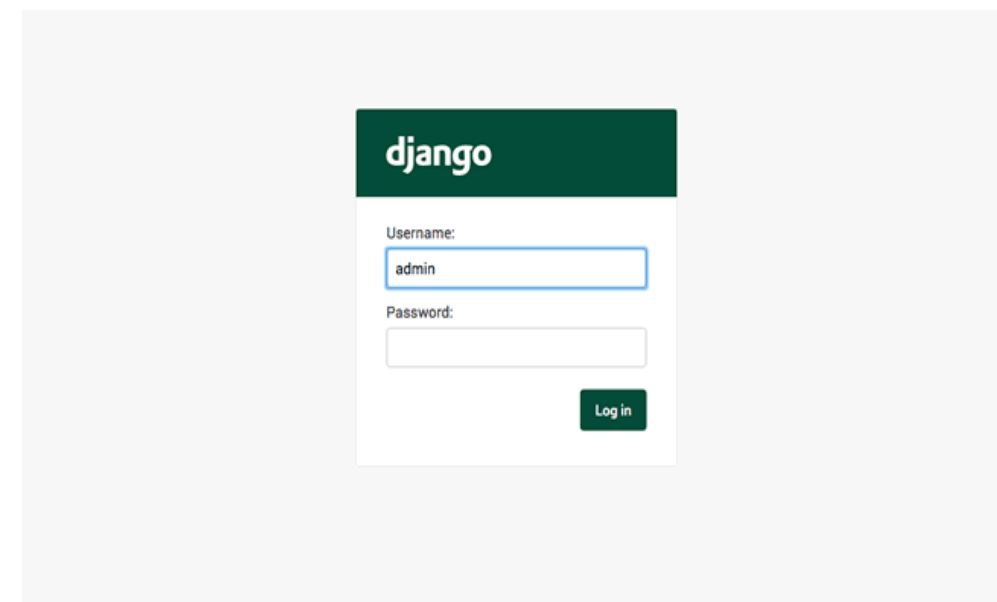
- Django's admin interface provides a built-in way to manage your data through models.
- You can register your models with the admin site by adding them to admin.py.

```
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from django.contrib import admin
from .models import Book

admin.site.register(Book)
```

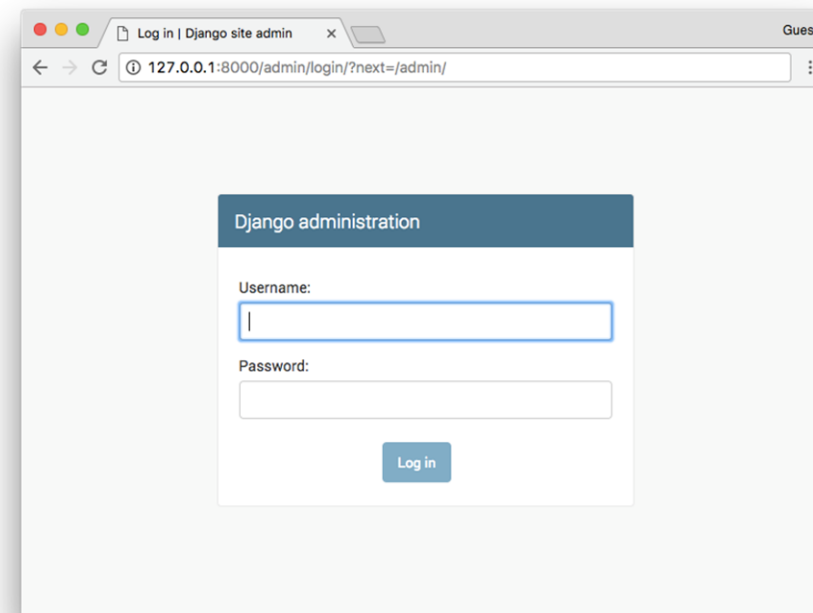
The admin interface allows you to view, add, edit, and delete records.



# Introduction to Django Admin

Django's admin interface is a built-in feature that allows you to manage your application data.

- It provides a powerful and easy-to-use interface for viewing, adding, editing, and deleting data.
- The admin panel is automatically generated based on your models.



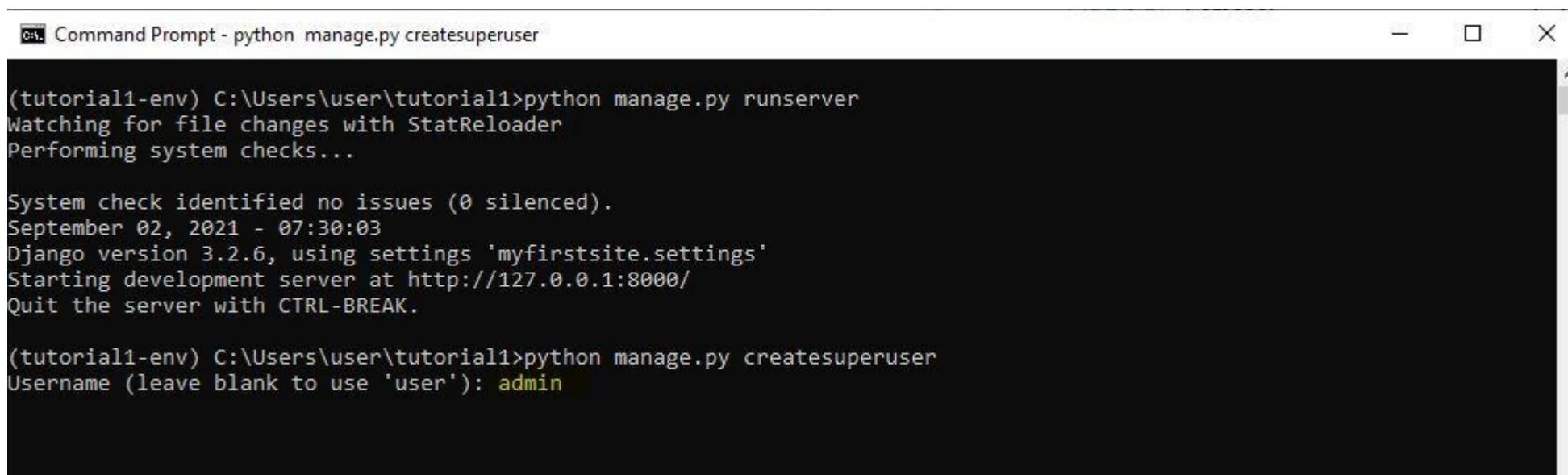
# Accessing the Admin Panel

You can access the admin panel by going to <http://localhost:8000/admin/> after starting your Django server.

- By default, Django includes a User and Group model in the admin panel.

You must create a superuser to log into the admin panel:

- Run “python manage.py createsuperuser” and follow the prompts to create a new admin account.



```
Command Prompt - python manage.py createsuperuser

(tutorial1-env) C:\Users\user\tutorial1>python manage.py runserver
Watching for file changes with StatReloader
Performing system checks...

System check identified no issues (0 silenced).
September 02, 2021 - 07:30:03
Django version 3.2.6, using settings 'myfirstsite.settings'
Starting development server at http://127.0.0.1:8000/
Quit the server with CTRL-BREAK.

(tutorial1-env) C:\Users\user\tutorial1>python manage.py createsuperuser
Username (leave blank to use 'user'): admin
```

# Registering Models in Admin

To make your models available in the admin panel, you need to register them in admin.py file.

```
python

from django.contrib import admin
from .models import Book

admin.site.register(Book)
```

Once registered, you can view and manage data related to that model in the admin interface



# Customizing the Admin Interface

Django allows you to customize the admin interface by extending the `ModelAdmin` class.

- You can control how data is displayed by modifying fields, search options, filters, etc.
- This allows for a more tailored admin experience.

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```
class BookAdmin(admin.ModelAdmin):  
    list_display = ('title', 'author')  
    search_fields = ['title', 'author']  
  
admin.site.register(Book, BookAdmin)
```

# Benefits of Django Admin

- Speed: Quickly manage data without writing SQL queries.
- Security: Comes with built-in authentication and authorization.
- Customization: Easily adapt the interface to your needs.
- Efficiency: Great for managing application data during development and in smaller production environments.

