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A Slug is basically a short label for something, containing only letters, numbers, underscores or hyphens. They're generally used in URLs. For example, in a typical blog entry URL:

```
https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/add-the-slug-field-inside-django-model/
```

Here, the last data `add-the-slug-field-inside-django-model` is the slug.

## SlugField :

SlugField in Django is like a CharField, where you can specify `max_length` attribute also. If `max_length` is not specified, Django will use a default length of 50. It also implies setting **Field.db\_index** to **True**. It is often useful to automatically prepopulate a SlugField based on the value of some other value. It uses [validate\\_slug](#) or [validate\\_unicode\\_slug](#) for validation.

### Syntax

```
field_name = models.SlugField(max_length=200, \*\*options)
```

SlugField has following optional arguments:

`SlugField.max_length`

The maximum length (in characters) of the field. The `max_length` is enforced at the database level and in Django's validation using [MaxLengthValidator](#).

`SlugField.allow_unicode`

If True, the field accepts Unicode letters in addition to ASCII letters. Defaults to False.

## Django Model SlugField Explanation

Illustration of SlugField using an Example. Consider a project named `geeksforgeeks` having an app named `geeks`.

*Refer to the following articles to check how to create a project and an app in Django.*

- [How to Create a Basic Project using MVT in Django?](#)
- [How to Create an App in Django ?](#)

Enter the following code into `models.py` file of **geeks** app.

```
from django.db import models
from django.db.models import Model
# Create your models here.

class GeeksModel(Model):
    geeks_field = models.SlugField(max_length = 200)
```

Add the `geeks` app to `INSTALLED_APPS`

```
# Application definition

INSTALLED_APPS = [
    'django.contrib.admin',
    'django.contrib.auth',
    'django.contrib.contenttypes',
    'django.contrib.sessions',
    'django.contrib.messages',
    'django.contrib.staticfiles',
    'geeks',
]
```

Now when we run `makemigrations` command from the terminal,

```
Python manage.py makemigrations
```

A new folder named `migrations` would be created in `geeks` directory with a file named `0001_initial.py`

```
# Generated by Django 2.2.5 on 2019-09-25 06:00
```

```
from django.db import migrations, models
```

```
class Migration(migrations.Migration):
```

```
    initial = True
```

```
    dependencies = [
    ]
```

```
    operations = [
        migrations.CreateModel(
            name = 'GeeksModel',
            fields = [
                ('id',
                 models.AutoField(
                     auto_created = True,
                     primary_key = True,
                     serialize = False,
                     verbose_name = 'ID'
                 )),
                ('geeks_field',
                 models.SlugField(
                     max_length = 200,
                 )),
            ],
        ),
    ]
```

Now run,

```
Python manage.py migrate
```

Thus, an `geeks_field` **SlugField** is created when you run migrations on the project.

## How to use SlugField ?

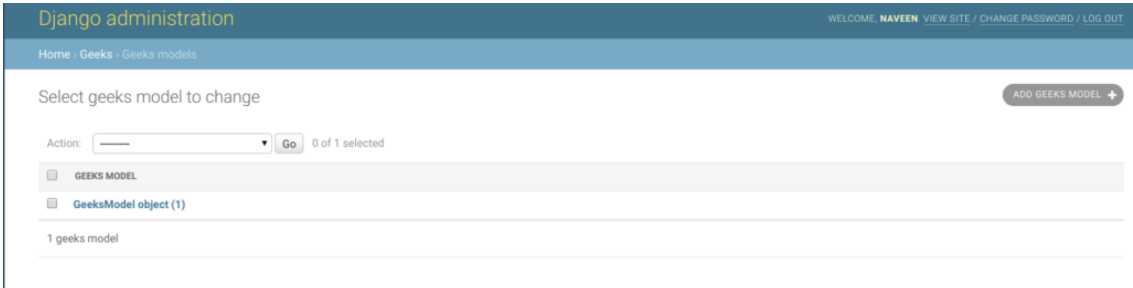
SlugField is used for storing basically storing URL paths after a particular URL. To know more about how to properly add a SlugField to Django Project, refer this article – [Add the slug field inside Django Model](https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/slugfield-django-models/)

```
# importing the model
# from geeks app
```

```
from geeks.models import GeeksModel

# creating a instance of
# GeeksModel
geek_object = GeeksModel.objects.create(geeks_field = "")
geek_object.save()
```

Now let’s check it in admin server. We have created an instance of GeeksModel.



## Field Options

Field Options are the arguments given to each field for applying some constraint or imparting a particular characteristic to a particular Field. For example, adding an argument `null = True` to `SlugField` will enable it to store empty values for that table in relational database.

Here are the field options and attributes that an `SlugField` can use.

Field Options	Description
<a href="#">Null</a>	If <b>True</b> , Django will store empty values as <b>NULL</b> in the database. Default is <b>False</b> .
<a href="#">Blank</a>	If <b>True</b> , the field is allowed to be blank. Default is <b>False</b> .
db_column	The name of the database column to use for this field. If this isn’t given, Django will use the field’s name.
<a href="#">Default</a>	The default value for the field. This can be a value or a callable object. If callable it will be called every time a new object is created.

Field Options	Description
<a href="#">help_text</a>	Extra “help” text to be displayed with the form widget. It’s useful for documentation even if your field isn’t used on a form.
<a href="#">primary_key</a>	If True, this field is the primary key for the model.
<a href="#">editable</a>	If <b>False</b> , the field will not be displayed in the admin or any other ModelForm. They are also skipped during model validation. Default is <b>True</b> .
<a href="#">error_messages</a>	The error_messages argument lets you override the default messages that the field will raise. Pass in a dictionary with keys matching the error messages you want to override.
<a href="#">help_text</a>	Extra “help” text to be displayed with the form widget. It’s useful for documentation even if your field isn’t used on a form.
<a href="#">verbose_name</a>	A human-readable name for the field. If the verbose name isn’t given, Django will automatically create it using the field’s attribute name, converting underscores to spaces.
<a href="#">validators</a>	A list of validators to run for this field. See the <a href="#">validators documentation</a> for more information.
<a href="#">Unique</a>	If True, this field must be unique throughout the table.

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