

Django Basics

Part II

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But first of all...

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As quoted from wikipedia:

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Welcome to “MTV” (model-template-view).



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...a view is the Python callback function for a particular URL, because that callback function describes which data is presented.



Django admin-site

Django has a built-in website for various (common) administrative jobs. It allows you:

- ▶ To manage site users
- ▶ To change form display and handling
- ▶ To make various validations (add,remove,publish e.g *"articles"*)