
Django

— Getting Python in the web —

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Forms



Forms

- Provide a convenient way to handle form **validation, rendering, and data processing** in Django applications. They abstract away the **complexities** of HTML form handling and provide **a high-level API for working with forms**
- **Form class** is a Python class that **defines** the structure and behavior of a form. It is typically created by **subclassing `django.forms.Form` or `django.forms.ModelForm`** to define the fields, validation rules, and any additional behavior for the form.
- **Widget** is a representation of an HTML form input element. It defines how a form field is rendered and displayed in the user interface. **Widgets control the appearance, behavior, and input options** for a form field.



Field



Form Class

`Form.is_bound()`

Check if the Form has populated by data or not

`Form.is_valid()`

Check if the Form valid or not

`Form.errors`

The errors list for all fields

`Form.fields`

The field list

Fields Options

Field

`required`

`label`

`initial`

`error_messages`

`disabled`

`widget`

CharField

`min_length`

`max_length`

IntegerField

`min_value`

`max_value`

ChoiceField

`choices`

Field – Widget Map

Field	Widget
CharField	TextInput
EmailField	EmailInput
IntegerField	NumberInput
BooleanField	CheckboxInput
ChoiceField	Select
DateField	DateInput

django.forms.Form

Form-Example

```
from django import forms
```

```
class MyForm(forms.Form):
```

```
    # Text field
```

```
    name = forms.CharField(max_length=100, label='Name', required=True)
```

```
    # Email field with custom validation
```

```
    email = forms.EmailField(label='Email', required=True, help_text='Please enter a valid email address.')
```

```
    # Integer field with minimum and maximum value validation
```

```
    age = forms.IntegerField(label='Age', min_value=18, max_value=99)
```

```
    # Boolean field
```

```
    is_active = forms.BooleanField(label='Active', required=False)
```

```
    # Choice field with options
```

```
    GENDER_CHOICES = ( ('M', 'Male'), ('F', 'Female'), ('O', 'Other'), )
```

Form-Example

```
gender = forms.ChoiceField(label='Gender', choices=GENDER_CHOICES)

# Multiple choice field with checkbox rendering
LANGUAGE_CHOICES = (
    ('en', 'English'),
    ('fr', 'French'),
    ('es', 'Spanish'),
)
languages = forms.MultipleChoiceField(label='Languages', choices=LANGUAGE_CHOICES,
                                     widget=forms.CheckboxSelectMultiple)

# Date field
birth_date = forms.DateField(label='Birth Date')

# File upload field
resume = forms.FileField(label='Resume', required=False)
```

Relationship Fields

- **Create** a form that is not directly tied to a model.
- **Define** form fields explicitly within the form class, specifying their types, validation rules, and any custom behavior.
- **form class** allows you to handle data **input and validation** without directly interacting with a database

Form-Example

```
# Password field with minimum length validation
password = forms.CharField(label='Password', widget=forms.PasswordInput, min_length=8)

# Hidden field
secret_key = forms.CharField(widget=forms.HiddenInput)

# Custom validation for the entire form
def clean(self):
    cleaned_data = super().clean()
    # Perform additional validation across multiple fields
    name = cleaned_data.get('name')
    email = cleaned_data.get('email')

    if name and email and name.lower() == email.lower():
        raise forms.ValidationError("Name and email cannot be the same.")

    return cleaned_data
```

Form handle in views

```
from django.shortcuts import render, redirect
from .forms import MyForm
def my_view(request):
    if request.method == 'POST':
        form = MyForm(request.POST)
        if form.is_valid():
            # Process the form data
            # Access form field values using form.cleaned_data dictionary

            # Perform additional actions (e.g., save to database, send email)

            # Redirect to a success page or return an appropriate response
            return redirect('success')
    else:
        form = MyForm()

    # Render the form in the template
    return render(request, 'my_template.html', {'form': form})
```

Form handle in Template

```
<form method="post" action="{% url 'my_view' %}">
  {% csrf_token %}
  {{ form.as_p }}
  <button type="submit">Submit</button>
</form>
```

ModelForm-Example

```
from django import forms
from .models import MyModel

class MyModelForm(forms.ModelForm):
    class Meta:
        model = MyModel
        fields = ['name', 'email', 'age', 'is_active']
        labels = {
            'name': 'Name',
            'email': 'Email',
            'age': 'Age',
            'is_active': 'Active',
        }
        widgets = {
            'name': forms.TextInput(attrs={'placeholder': 'Enter your name'}),
            'email': forms.EmailInput(attrs={'placeholder': 'Enter your email'}),
            'age': forms.NumberInput(attrs={'min': 18, 'max': 99}),
        }
```


ModelForm-Example

```
help_texts = {
    'email': 'Please enter a valid email address.',
}
error_messages = {
    'name': {
        'required': 'Name is required.',
        'max_length': 'Name should not exceed 100 characters.',
    },
    'age': {
        'required': 'Age is required.',
        'invalid': 'Age must be a valid number.',
        'min_value': 'Age should be at least 18.',
        'max_value': 'Age should not exceed 99.',
    },
}
```

ModelForm-Example

```
def clean(self):
    cleaned_data = super().clean()
    # Perform additional validation across multiple fields
    name = cleaned_data.get('name')
    email = cleaned_data.get('email')

    if name and email and name.lower() == email.lower():
        raise forms.ValidationError("Name and email cannot be the same.")

    return cleaned_data
```

ModelForm handle in views

```
from django.shortcuts import render, redirect
from .forms import MyModelForm
def my_view(request):
    if request.method == 'POST':
        form = MyModelForm(request.POST)
        if form.is_valid():
            instance = form.save()
            # Process the form data or perform additional actions
            return redirect('success')
    else:
        form = MyModelForm()

    return render(request, 'my_template.html', {'form': form})
```

View Decorator

Decorator

- Modify the behavior of view functions.
- `@decorator_name`
- Commonly used view decorators in Django
- **@login_required**: This decorator ensures that the user must be authenticated to access the view. If the user is not authenticated, they will be redirected to the login page
- **@permission_required**: This decorator checks if the user has the specified permission to access the view
 - `@permission_required('app_name.permission_name')`

Decorator

- **@cache_page:** This decorator caches the rendered output of the view for a specified duration, improving performance by serving cached content instead of executing the view function.
 - @cache_page(60 * 15) # Cache for 15 minutes
- **@csrf_exempt:** This decorator disables CSRF protection for the view, allowing POST requests without requiring a CSRF token. Be cautious when using this decorator, as it removes an important security measure

Example

```
from django.views.decorators.http import require_http_methods

@require_http_methods(['GET', 'POST'])
def my_view(request):
    if request.method == 'GET':
        # Handle GET request
        return HttpResponse('This is a GET request.')
    elif request.method == 'POST':
        # Handle POST request
        return HttpResponse('This is a POST request.')
    else:
        # Return a 405 Method Not Allowed response for other HTTP methods
        return HttpResponseNotAllowed(['GET', 'POST'])
```

Example

```
from django.views.decorators.http import require_GET
```

```
@require_GET
```

```
def my_view(request):
```

```
    # Handle GET request
```

```
    return HttpResponse('This is a GET request.')
```

Class-based Views

— Organizing and structuring view logic —

Example

#views.py

```
from django.views import View
from django.http import HttpResponse
```

```
class MyView(View):
    def get(self, request):
        # Handle GET request
        return HttpResponse('This is a GET request.')

    def post(self, request):
        # Handle POST request
        return HttpResponse('This is a POST request.')
```

urls.py

```
urlpatterns = [ url(r'^about/$', MyView.as_view()) ]
```

Generic View

— create reusable view classes for —
common tasks

Views - template Map

if app_name is library and model = Book

View	Template Name	Context
ListView	library /book_list.html	object_list
DetailView	library /book_detail.html	object
CreateView	library /book_form.html	form
UpdateView	library /book_update_form.html	form
DeleteView	library / book_confirm_delete.html	

Example

```
from django.views.generic import ListView, DetailView, CreateView, UpdateView, DeleteView
from django.urls import reverse_lazy
from myapp.models import MyModel
```

```
class MyModelListView(ListView):
    model = MyModel
    template_name = 'myapp/mymodel_list.html'
    context_object_name = 'mymodels'
```

```
class MyModelDetailView(DetailView):
    model = MyModel
    template_name = 'myapp/mymodel_detail.html'
    context_object_name = 'mymodel'
```

Example

```
class MyModelUpdateView(UpdateView):  
    model = MyModel  
    template_name = 'myapp/mymodel_update.html'  
    fields = ['field1', 'field2', 'field3']  
    success_url = reverse_lazy('mymodel-list')  
  
class MyModelDeleteView>DeleteView):  
    model = MyModel  
    template_name = 'myapp/mymodel_confirm_delete.html'  
    success_url = reverse_lazy('mymodel-list')
```

Shortcuts

— simplify common tasks and reduce the
amount of code you need to write —

Redirect

```
from django.shortcuts import redirect
```

```
def my_view(request):  
    return redirect('/myapp/some-url/')
```


Other

```
from django.shortcuts import get_object_or_404, get_list_or_404, get_object_or_None
from myapp.models import MyModel
```

```
def my_view(request, object_id):
    obj = get_object_or_404(MyModel, id=object_id)
    # Handle the retrieved object or raise a 404 error
```

Or

```
def my_view(request):
    objects = get_list_or_404(MyModel, some_condition=True)
    # Handle the retrieved list of objects or raise a 404 error
```

```
def my_view(request, object_id):
    obj = get_object_or_None(MyModel, id=object_id)
    # Handle the retrieved object or None if not found
```



Sessions



The session framework lets you store and retrieve arbitrary data on a per-site-visitor basis. It stores data on the server side and abstracts the sending and receiving of cookies.

settings.py

```
INSTALLED_APPS = [  
    # Other Apps,  
    "django.contrib.sessions"  
]  
  
MIDDLEWARE = [  
    # Other Middleware Classes,  
    "django.contrib.sessions.middleware.SessionMiddleware"  
]
```

Settings

`SESSION_COOKIE_AGE`

Set the Session Cookie Age

`SESSION_EXPIRE_AT_BROWSER_CLOSE`

If True, Session Cookie Age will be deleted after browser closed

`SESSION_COOKIE_NAME`

Set the Session Cookie Name

`request.session`

`views.py`

```
def login(request, user_id):  
    #Setting Session item  
    request.session['member_id'] = user_id  
    return HttpResponse("You are logged in")  
  
def view_profile(req):  
    #Getting Session item  
    if 'member_id' in req.session and req.session['member_id']:  
        return HttpResponse("View Profile")  
    else:  
        return HttpResponse("Please login to view ")
```

methods

```
request.session.get(key, default=None)
```

```
request.session.pop(key, default=__not_given)
```

```
request.session.clear()
```

```
request.session.set_expiry(value)
```



Authentication



User

username

password

first_name

last_name

email

last_login

groups

user_permissions

is_superuser

is_staff

date_joined

```
from django.contrib.auth.models import User
```

```
user = User.objects.create_user('Ahmed', 'am@gmail.com', '120829')
```


User Authentication Example

```
from django.shortcuts import render, redirect
from django.contrib.auth.forms import AuthenticationForm
from django.contrib.auth import login, logout

def login_view(request):
    if request.method == 'POST':
        form = AuthenticationForm(request, data=request.POST)
        if form.is_valid():
            user = form.get_user()
            login(request, user)
            return redirect('home')
    else:
        form = AuthenticationForm()
    return render(request, 'login.html', {'form': form})
```

User Authentication Example

```
def any_view(request):  
    if request.user.is_authenticated():  
        # Do actions for Logged in Users  
    else:  
        # Do actions for Guests
```

```
def logout_view(request):  
    logout(request)  
    return redirect('login')
```



Lab



template inhertance

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trainee app

course app

templates
trainee, course

statics

url.py

trainee list, table of trainees

add trainee, **use form**

update trainee **ModelForm**

delete trainee redirect trainee list

register course model to admin panel

login with Authentication middleware

logout

registration

Display username in all pages header

add links for routes in parent page