

EXPERIMENT NO. 4 - Flask Application using GET and POST

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AIM :

To design a Flask application that showcases URL building and demonstrates the use of HTTP methods (GET and POST) for handling user input and processing data.

PROBLEM STATEMENT :

Create a Flask application with the following requirements:

1. A homepage (/) with links to a "Profile" page and a "Submit" page using the `url_for()` function.
2. The "Profile" page (`/profile/<username>`) dynamically displays a user's name passed in the URL.
3. A "Submit" page (`/submit`) displays a form to collect the user's name and age. The form uses the POST method to send the data, and the server displays a confirmation message with the input.

Theory:

1. What is a route in Flask, and how is it defined?

A route is a URL pattern linked to a function in Flask using the `@app.route()` decorator.

Example:

```
@app.route('/') def
home():    return
"Welcome!"
```

2. How can you pass parameters in a URL route?

Parameters can be passed using angle brackets (`< >`) in the route. Flask will capture these values and pass them to the function as arguments. You can also specify data types like `<int:id>` or `<string:name>`.

Example:

```
@app.route('/user/<string:nam
e>') def greet_user(name):
    return f"Hello, {name}!"
```

3. What happens if two routes in a Flask application have the same URL pattern?

If two routes share the same URL, Flask will use the last-defined route and override the previous one. This causes unexpected behavior and conflicts.

Example:

```
@app.route('/hello')

def hello1():

    return "Hello from function 1"

@app.route('/hello')

def hello2():

    return "Hello from function 2"

# Only "Hello from function 2" will be shown.
```

4. What are the commonly used HTTP methods in web applications?

- HTTP methods define the type of request a client sends to a server.
- GET: Retrieve data (e.g., accessing a web page).
- POST: Send data to the server (e.g., submitting a form).
- PUT: Update existing data.
- DELETE: Remove data.
- PATCH: Partially update data.

5. What is a dynamic route in Flask?

A dynamic route allows variables to be embedded within the URL, making it more flexible. The data in the URL is passed to the function for further processing.

Example:

```
@app.route('/profile/<username>')

def show_profile(username):

    return f"Welcome to {username}'s Profile!"
```

6. Write an example of a dynamic route that accepts a username as a parameter.

```
@app.route('/user/<username>') def welcome_user(username):

    return f"Hello, {username}! Glad to see you here."
```

7. What is the purpose of enabling debug mode in Flask?

Debug Mode is used during development for easy troubleshooting. It enables:

Automatic Code Reloading: The app restarts when code changes.

Detailed Error Messages: Displays an interactive debugger in case of an error. It should be disabled in production for security reasons.

8. How do you enable debug mode in a Flask application?

You can enable debug mode using one of these

methods: Using app.run() export

FLASK_ENV=development

flask run

CODE:

```
from flask import Flask, request, url_for, redirect, render_template

app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def home():
    return render_template('index.html')

@app.route('/greet', methods=['GET', 'POST'])
def greet():
    if request.method == 'POST':
        name = request.form.get('name')
        return redirect(url_for('hello', username=name))
    return render_template('greet.html')

@app.route('/hello/<username>')
def hello(username):
```

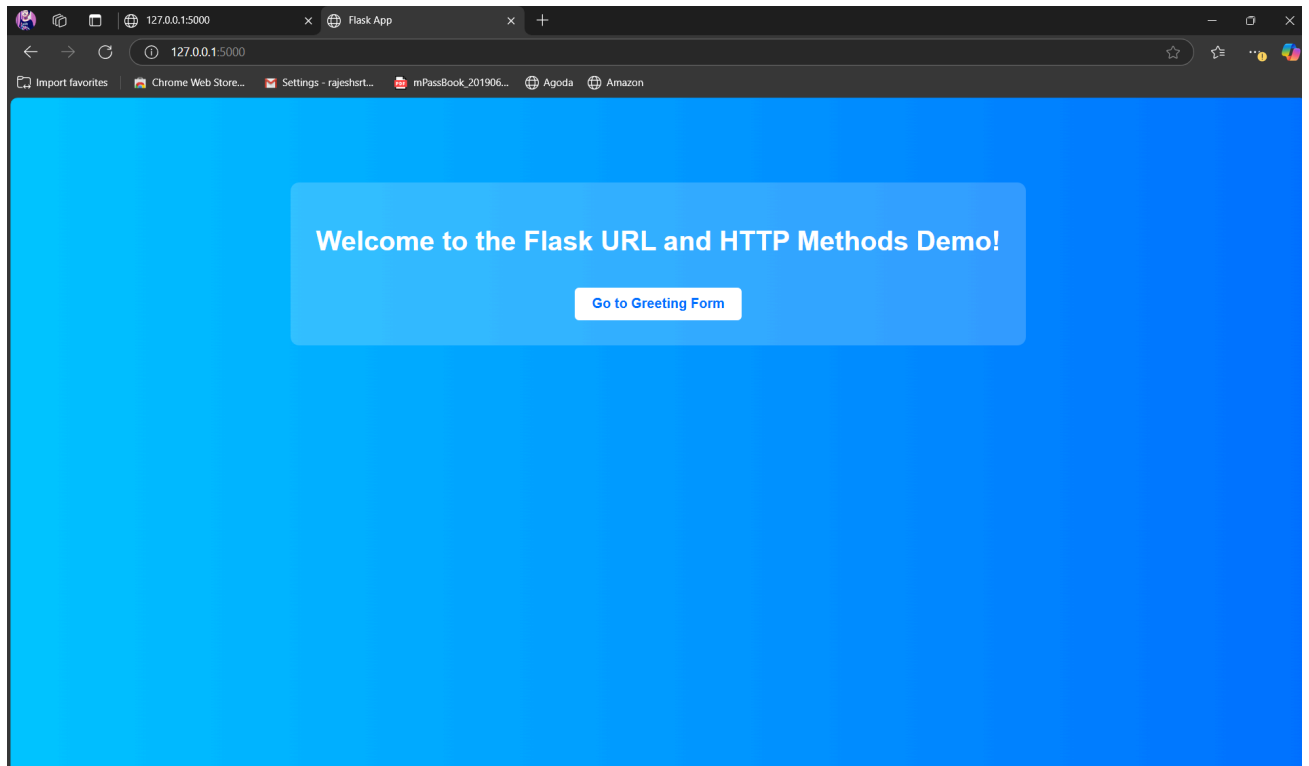
```
return render_template('hello.html', username=username)

if __name__ == '__main__':

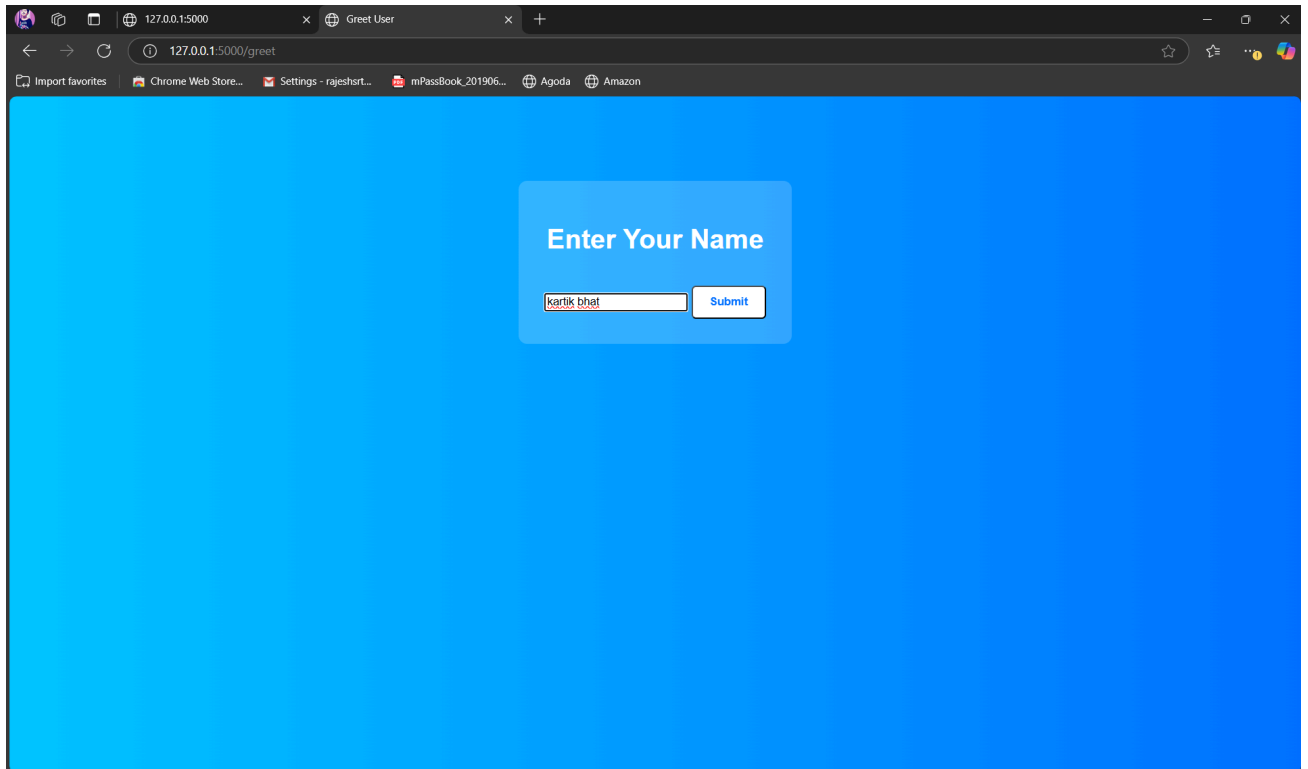
    app.run(debug=True)
```

OUTPUT :

Homepage: Displays a welcome message with navigation links to the "Profile" and "Submit" pages.

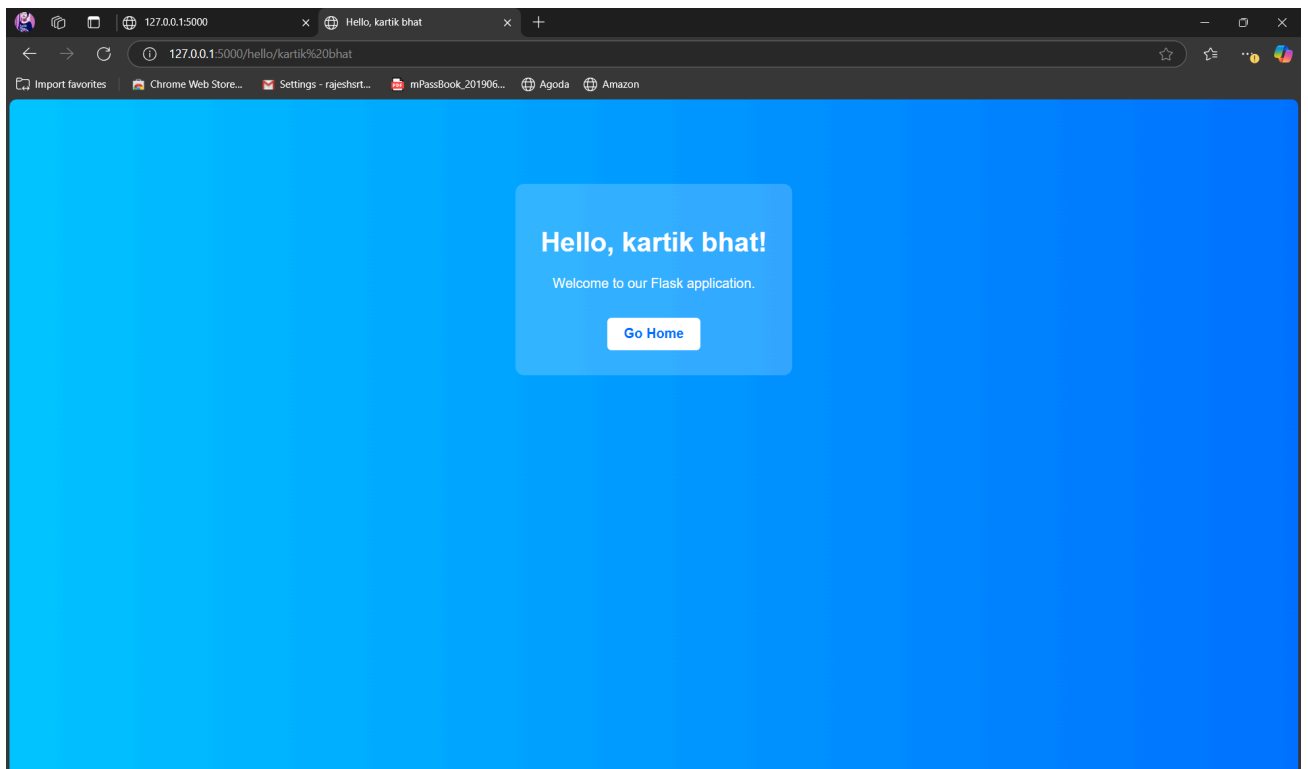


Submit Page: Displays a form to collect the user's name and age. Upon submitting, the data is stored using a session, and the user is redirected to the Profile page.



A screenshot of a web browser window showing a form titled "Enter Your Name". The form is centered on a blue background. It contains a text input field with the value "kartik bhat" and a "Submit" button. The browser's address bar shows the URL "127.0.0.1:5000/greet". The browser's tab bar shows a single tab titled "Greet User".

Profile Page: Displays the submitted name and age dynamically. If no data is submitted, it shows "Guest" and "Unknown" as default values.



A screenshot of a web browser window showing a profile page titled "Hello, kartik bhat!". The page is centered on a blue background. It displays the text "Hello, kartik bhat!" and "Welcome to our Flask application." Below this is a "Go Home" button. The browser's address bar shows the URL "127.0.0.1:5000/hello/kartik%20bhat". The browser's tab bar shows a single tab titled "Hello, kartik bhat".

Conclusion:

The experiment demonstrated the creation of a simple Flask application using GET and POST methods. The application effectively handled dynamic routing using URL parameters and processed user input via a form using the POST method. Additionally, it showcased URL building using the `url_for()` function and maintained user data using sessions.