Configurations

- Install: pip install djangorestframework
- create serializers.py:

serializers.py

- To use all fields,
 - Ifields = 'all'
- likes = serializers.RelatedField(many=True, read_only=True) will return str(likes): checkout: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/24346701/django-rest-framework-primarykeyrelatedfield
- set an attribute to the serializer, if you want to expand it.

```
# serializers.py
from rest_framework import serializers
from .models import TweetModel
class TweetSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer): #
HyperlinkedModelSerializer allows to add a 'url' field which allows to add
a link to the data.
    class Meta:
        model = TweetModel
        fields = ['id', 'content', 'likes']
        read_only_fields = ['id']
    def get_likes(self, obj):
        return obj.likes.count()
    def validate_content(self, value):
        if len(value)>MAX_TWEET_LENGTH:
            raise serializers.ValidationError("This tweet is too long")
        return value
```

- • You can add custom fields with @property decorator in model class.
 - \circ \square We don't need to create fields for the properties as class variables.
 - Just add them to fields list.

• To rename field name in json sent by serializer, add argument source='old_name'

```
class TweetSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    likes = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
    og_tweet = TweetCreateSerializer(soread_only=True)
    class Meta:
        model = Tweet
        fields = ['id', 'content', 'likes', 'is_retweet', "parent"]

def get_likes(self, obj):
    return obj.likes.count()
```

views.py

- List of permissions
 - AnonymousUser (default)
 - AllowAny
 - IsAuthenticated
 - IsAdminUser
 - IsAuthenticatedOrReadOnly

DjangoModelPermissions : Permissions set by adding users to groups and adding individual permissions.

- DjangoModelPermissions
- DjangoModelPermissionsOrAnonReadOnly
- []

Permissions can be added to class views by adding a attribute: permission_classes = [IsAdminUser] # This is an example.

```
# views.pv
from rest_framework.response import Response
from rest_framework.decorators import api_view, permission_classes
from rest_framework.permissions import IsAuthenticated
from .serializer import TweetSerializer
from .model import TweetModel
@api_view(['POST']) # Only allows post request
@permission_classes([IsAuthenticated]) # This should be below of api_view,
else it gives some internal error.
def tweet_create_view(request, *args, **kwargs):
    serializer = TweetSerializer(data=request.POST)
    if serializer.is_valid(raise_exception=True):
        serializer.save(user=request.user)
        return Response(serializer.data, status=201)
    return Response({}, status=400) # This is not needed because of
raise_exception=True
```

```
@api_view(['GET'])
def tweet_list_view(request, *args, **kwargs):
    qs = TweetModel.objects.all()
    serializer = TweetSerializer(qs, many=True)
    return Response(serializer.data, status=200)
@api_view(['GET'])
def tweet_detail_view(request, tweet_id, *args, **kwargs):
    qs = TweetModel.objects.filter(id=tweet_id)
    if not qs.exists():
        return Response({'message':'Tweet not found'}, status=404)
    serializer = TweetSerializer(qs.first())
    return Response(serializer.data, status=200)
@api_view(['DELETE', 'POST'])
@permission_classes([IsAuthenticated])
def tweet_delete_view(request, tweet_id, *args, **kwargs):
    qs = TweetModel.objects.filter(id=tweet_id)
    if not qs.exists():
       return Response({'message':'Tweet not found', status=404})
    if not qs.filter
```

- To change the types of Authentication that give access to views,
 - Create REST_FRAMEWORK dictionary with 'DEFAULT_AUTHENTICATION_CLASS':['list', 'of', 'classes', 'from', 'documentation']
 - Add permission_classes decorator and pass the list of permission classes from from rest_framework.permissions.
- To pass data from views to serializer, pass it as context in the constructor:
 TweetSerializer(instance=obj, context={"request":request}) and access in class using self.context.

Class Views

- - RetrieveUpdateAPIView:
 - GET endpoint to view a model instance.

PUT-PATCH endpoint for list of model instances.

- PUT-PATCH endpoint to update a model instance.
- RetrieveDestroyAPIView :
 - GET endpoint for single model instance.
 - DELETE endpoint for single model instance.
- RetrieveUpdateDestroyAPIView :
 - GET endpoint for single model instance.
 - POST endpoint for single model instance.
 - DELETE endpoint for single model instance.

```
from rest_framework import generics, permissions
class RecipeCreateView(generics.CreateAPIView):
  queryset = Recipe.objects.all()
  serializer_class = RecipeSerializer
  permission_classes = [
    permissions. Is Authenticated,
  ]
  def perform_create(self, serializer):
    serializer.save(author=self.request.user)
    serializer_class = RecipeSerializer
    permission_classes = [permissions.AllowAny]
  # THERE IS ListAPIView ALSO !!!
  # THERE IS RetrieveAPIView ALSO !!!
  # THERE IS RetrieveUpdateDeleteAPIView ALSO !!!
class IngredientCreateView(generics.ListCreateAPIView):
  queryset = Ingredient.objects.all()
  serializer_class = Ingredient
class CreateUpvoteView(generics.CreateAPIView):
  serializer_class = UpvoteSerializer
  permission_classes = [permissions.IsAuthenticated]
  def get_queryset(self):
    user = self.request.user
    recipe = Recipe.objects.filter(pk=self.kwargs['pk'])
    return Upvote.objects.filter(user=user, recipe=recipe)
  def perform_create(self, serializer):
   if self.get_queryset().exists():
      raise ValidationError('You have already voted on the recipe.')
    user = self.request.user
    recipe = Recipe.objects.filter(pk=self.kwargs['pk']) # this 'pk' will
be passed in url.
    serializer.save(user=user, recipe=recipe)
class RecipeUpdateView(generics.RetrieveUpdateDeleteView):
  queryset = Recipe.objects.all()
  serializer_class = RecipeSerializer
```

```
permission_classes = [permissions.IsAuthenticated]

def delete(self, request, *args, **kwargs):
    recipe = Recipe.objects.filter(author=self.request.user,
pk=kwargs['pk'])
    if recipe.exists():
        return self.destroy(request, *args, **kwargs)
        raise ValidationError("This isn't your recipe")
```

```
from rest_framework import viewsets
class CourseView(viewsets.ModelViewSet):
  queryset = Course.objects.all()
  serializer_class = CourseSerializer
```

settings.py

• add to INSTALLED APPS: 'rest framework'

JS

- \(\subseteq \text{xhr.setRequestHeader('Content-Type', 'applications/json')} \)
- CSRF javascript
 - []

• xhr.setRequestHeader('X-CSRFToken', csrftoken)

Adding Like functionality

```
# models.py
class TweetLikeModel(models.Model):
  user = models.ForeignKey(User, on_delete=CASCADE)
  tweet = models.ForeignKey('TweetModel', on_delete=CASCADE)
  timestamp = models.DateTimeField(auto_add_now=True)
class TweetModel(models.Model):
  likes = models.ManyToManyField(User, related_name='tweet_user',
blank=True, through=TweetLike)
# If you don't need timestamp, you can remove through attribute and
associate them directly.
# serializers.py
class TweetActionSerializer(serializers.Serializer):
  id = serializers.IntegerField()
  action = serializers.CharField()
  def validate_action(self, value):
    value = value.lower().strip()
    if not value in TWEET_ACTION_OPTIONS:
      raise serializers. Validation Error (f"Actions can only be:
{*TWEET_ACTION_OPTIONS}")
    return value
# views.py
@api_view(['POST'])
@permission_classes([IsAuthenticated]) # see django_rest_framework.md to
refer this.
def tweet_action_view(request, tweet_id, *args, **kwargs):
  qs = TweetModel.filter(id=tweet_id)
  if not qs.exists():
    return Response({'message', 'Tweet not found'}, status=404)
  serializer = TweetActionSerializer(obj)
  like, unlike, retweet = 'like', 'unlike', 'retweet'
```

```
if serializer.is_valid(raise_exception=True):
    data = serializer.validated_data
    action = data.get('action')
    if action == like:
     obj.likes.add(request.user)
    elif action == unlike:
     obj.likes.remove(request.user)
    elif action == retweet:
     # Something needs to be done.
     pass
    else:
     assert False, 'Invalid action has been validated by
TweetActionValidator !!! 5"
    return Response({'message':'Tweet action successful'}, status=200)
  return Response({'message':'Invalid Tweet'}, status=400)
# admin.py
class TweetLikeAdmin(admin.TabularInline):
  model = TweetLike
admin.site.register(TweetAdmin, TweetLikeAdmin)
```

- When using Content-Type: application/json, user request.data instead of request.POST.
- Logic for retweeting
 - Add a self linking ForeignKey in TweetModel called parent.
 - When someone retweets, create new tweet and its parent attribute to the original tweet.
 - Make the TweetSerializer readonly and copy original one to TweetCreateSerializer.

```
class TweetSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
    likes = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
    content = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
    class Meta:
        model = TweetModel
        fields = ['id', 'content', 'likes']
    def get_likes(self, obj):
        return obj.likes.count()
```

tests.pv

- Create a user and add a tweet in it in setup function (from models itself).
- Refer ApiClient in django-rest-framework documentation -> testing.
- Eq:

```
from django.urls import reverse
from rest_framework import status
from rest_framework.test import APITestCase
```

```
from blog.models import Post, Category
from django.contrib.auth.models import User
# assuming in urls.py, app_name='blog_api'
class PostTests(APITestCase):
 def test_view_posts(self):
    url = reverse('blog_api:listcreate')
    response = self.client.get(url, format='json')
    sefl.assertEqual(response.status_code, status.HTTP_200_0K)
 def create_post(self):
    self.test_category = Category.objects.create(name='django')
    self.testuser1 = User.objects.create_user(username='test_user1',
password='123456789')
    data = {
      'title':'new',
      'author':1,
      'exerpt': 'new',
      'content':'new',
    }
    url = reverse('blog_api:listcreate')
    response = self.client.post(url, data, format='json')
    self.assertEqual(response.status_code, 201)
```

urls.py

- Adding swagger:
 - pip install drf-yasg.

```
from drf_yasg.views import get_schema_view
from drf_yasg import openapi
schema_view = get_schema_view(
   openapi.Info(
      title="APIs by Manas Mishra 🖘",
      default_version='OSSUM',
     description="A simple api to add, remove and update Questions.",
    # terms_of_service="https://www.google.com/policies/terms/",
   # contact=openapi.Contact(email="Manas Mishra 🖘"),
      license=openapi.License(name="BSD License"),
   ),
   public=True,
   permission_classes=(permissions.AllowAny,),
)
urlpatterns = [
    path('', schema_view.with_ui('swagger', cache_timeout=0), name='schema-
swagger-ui'),
```

Another way to add api endpoints.

```
from rest_framework import routers
router.register('courses', CourseView) # CourseView imported from .views

urlpatterns = [
  path('', include(router.urls)),
]
```

settings.py

- To add api access to other applications, we need to configure CORS policies.
- To install, view django-cors-header in pypi.
- To know about configuration options, refer its github repo: https://github.com/adamchainz/django-cors-headers

```
CORS_ORIGIN_ALLOW_ALL = True # Any website has access to api. # specific websites can be assigned as a list (http and https need to be added separately)  \text{CORS\_URLS\_REGEX} = r'^{api}.*$
```

TO enable automatic authentication in dev environment.

- Create rest_api directory inside project (where settings.py exists).
 - Create an **init**.py file inside that to make it a module.
 - Create another file dev.py # Delete this file when in production.
 - **-** []

```
from rest_framework import authentication
from django.contrib.auth import get_user_model
User = get_user_model()
class DevAuthentication(authentication.BasicAuthentication):
    def authenticate(self, request):
        qs = User.objects.all()
        user = qs.order_by("?").first()
        return (user, None) # usually it returns (user, auth)
```

In settings.py

```
if DEBUG:
    DEFAULT_AUTHENTICATION_CLASSES +=
['tweetme2.rest_api.dev.DevAuthentication']
```

Pagination

- Look at django-rest-framework pagination.
- There are many types of inbuilt pagination-classes and you can create your own custom ones.
- Eg:

```
# views.py
from rest_framework.pagination import PageNumberPagination
@api_view(['GET'])
@permission_classes([IsAuthenticated])
def tweet_feed_view(request, *args, **kwargs):
    paginator = PageNumberPagination()
    paginator.page_size = 20
    user = request.user
    qs = Tweet.objects.feed(user)
    paginated_qs = paginator.paginate(qs, request)
    serializer = TweetSerializer(paginated_qs, many=True)
    return paginator.get_paginated_response(serializer.data)
```

Custom Serializers

```
class ProfileSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
  first_name = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
  last_name = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
  username = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
  follower_count = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
 following_count = serializers.SerializerMethodField(read_only=True)
  class Meta:
    model = Profile
    fields = [
      'first_name',
      'last_name',
      'follower_count',
      'following_count',
      'username',
      'id',
    1
    def get_first_name(self, obj):
      return obj.user.first_name
    def get_last_name(self, obj):
      return obj.user.last_name
```

```
def get_username(self, obj):
    return obj.user.username

def get_following_count(self, obj):
    return obj.user.following.count()

def get_followers_count(self, obj):
    return obj.user.followers.count()
```

REST Authentication

serializers.py

```
class UserRegistrationSerializer(serializers.ModelSerializer):
   password = serializers.CharField(style={'input type':'password'},
   write_only=True)
   class Meta:
    model = User
    fields = ['username', 'email', 'password']

def create(self, validated_data):
   user = User.objects.create(username=validated_data['username'],
   email=validated_data['email'])
   user.set_password(validated_data['password'])
   user.save()
   return user

# Then create CreateAPIView.
```

Token based authentication

• User state is stored on client-side rather server side. It is much more scalable.

settings.py

```
# In INSTALLED_APPS, add
# 'rest_framework.authtoken'

REST_FRAMEWORK = {
   'DEFAULT_AUTHENTICATION_CLASSES': [
        'rest_framework.authentication.TokenAuthentication'
   ]
}
```

```
from django.db.models.signals import post_save
from django.dispatch import receiver
from rest_framework.authtoken.models import Token
...
@receiver(post_save, sender=User)
def create_token(sender, instance=None, created=False, **kwargs):
    if created:
        Token.objects.create(user=instance)
```

To create token for the admin user, ./manage.py drf_create_token [username]

views.py

```
from rest_framework.authtoken.serializers import AuthTokenSerializer
from rest_framework.authtoken.views import ObtainAuthToken
class UserRegistrationView(generics.CreateAPIView):
  queryset = User.objects.all()
  serializer_class = UserRegistrationSerializer
  permission_classes = [permissions.AllowAny]
  def post(self, request, *args, **kwargs):
    serializer = UserRegistrationSerializer(data=request.data)
    if serializer.is_valid():
      user = serializer.save()
      token = Token.objects.get(user=user).key
     data = {'token':token}
    else:
      data = serializers.errors
    return Response(data=data, status=201)
class UserLoginView(generics.CreateAPIView):
  serializer class = AuthTokenSerializer
  def create(self, request):
    return ObtainAuthToken().post(request)
```

• To Authenticate, setRequestHeader('Authentication', 'Token [User's token]')

Creating Custom Permissions

- Eg of permission of person who created a post can only edit it.
- Prest_framework.permissions.SAFE_METHODS is list of 'GET', 'HEAD' and 'OPTION' methods.

```
from rest_framework import permissions
class PostUserWritePermission(permissions.BasePermission):
    message = 'Editing posts is restricted to the author only.'

def has_object_permission(self, request, view, obj):
    if request.method in permissions.SAFE_METHODS:
        return true
    return request.user == obj.author
```

Some Notes

• Always use request.data for a post request.

HTTP Response Codes

Healthy Responses (2--)

- 200 OK.
 Request accepted.
- 201 Created.
 POST requests often return 201s when a resource is created.
- 202 Accepted.
 When a request is accepted but its not done processing.
 Maybe the task goes into a queue.

Redirect Responses (3--)

- 301 Moved Permanently.
 When the endpoint has permanently changed. Update your endpoint.
- 302 Found.

The endpoint you're accessing is temporarily moved to somewhere else.

Client Responses (4--)

400 — Bad Request.

Server cannot or will not process your request. Often this is due to malformed API keys or an invalid payload.

401 — Unauthorized.

You're not allowed here. Usually this is because you're missing authentication credentials (API keys)

403 — Forbidden.

The servers understands your request but won't execute it. Your API keys might not have the right permissions or your trying to use an endpoint that you don't have access to.

404 — Not Found.

There's nothing here. Move along, move along.

405 — Method Not Allowed.

You're using the wrong HTTP Method. The endpoint might only accept GET requests and you might be POSTing to it, for example.

Server Responses (5--)

500 — Internal Server Error.

The server had a problem and couldn't process the request. This is the only time you are out of control.

REST(ful) meaning

Standards for and api.

- Base url : http://something.com/api/
- HTTP Methods : GET, POST, PUT, PATCH, DELETE
- ☐ Is stateless, like http ???
- Includes media type like JSON.