## 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

```
# views.py
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**

```
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

- xhr.setRequestHeader('Content-Type', 'applications/json')
- CSRF javascript
  - []

```
function getCookie(name) {
      let cookieValue = null;
      if (document.cookie && document.cookie !== '') {
          const cookies = document.cookie.split(';');
          for (let i = 0; i < cookies.length; i++) {
              const cookie = cookies[i].trim();
              // Does this cookie string begin with the name we want?
              if (cookie.substring(0, name.length + 1) === (name +
'=')) {
                  cookieValue =
decodeURIComponent(cookie.substring(name.length + 1));
                  break;
              }
          }
      }
      return cookieValue;
 const csrftoken = getCookie('csrftoken');
```

• 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()
```

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

## urls.py

```
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.
- Eq:

```
# 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',
    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'
   ]
}
```

### models.py

```
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

```
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)
```

### Some Notes

• Always use request.data for a post request.