

Web Application A to Z

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Goal

- ▶ Understand high-level
- ▶ Get needed skills
- ▶ ...but perfecting them takes a lifetime

Web applications

- ▶ Front-end (JavaScript)
- ▶ Back-end (Server)
- ▶ Storage (Database)

Web applications - Front-End

React – JavaScript framework

Web applications - Back-End

- ▶ Python
- ▶ WSGI
- ▶ Pyramid

Web applications - Storage

- ▶ SQLite
- ▶ SQLAlchemy

Web applications - Platform

- ▶ Twisted
- ▶ Linux

Pyramid: Imports

```
from pyramid import config , response
```


Pyramid: Logic

```
def hello_world(request):  
    return response.Response('Hello World!')
```

Pyramid: Routing

```
with config.Configurator() as cfg:  
    cfg.add_route('hello ', '/')  
    cfg.add_view(hello_world, route_name='hello ')  
    app = cfg.make_wsgi_app()
```

Pyramid: Running

```
$ python -m twisted web --wsgi hello.app
```

Returning Posts: Hardcoding

```
POSTS = [  
    "Just chillin'",  
    "Writing code",  
    "Being awesome",  
]
```

Returning Posts: Logic

```
def posts(request):  
    body = json.dumps(POSTS).encode('utf-8')  
    return response.Response(  
        content_type='application/json',  
        body=body)
```

Adding Post: Logic

```
def add_post(request):  
    POSTS.append(request.json_body['content'])  
    return response.Response('ok')
```

Returning Posts: Routing

```
with config.Configurator() as cfg:
    cfg.add_route('posts', '/posts',
                  request_method='GET')
    cfg.add_view(posts, route_name='posts')
    cfg.add_route('add_post', '/posts',
                  request_method='POST')
    cfg.add_view(add_post, route_name='add_post')
    app = cfg.make_wsgi_app()
```

Hands on: Add Author

15 minutes :25-:40

- ▶ Get application to run as-is
- ▶ Add an author field to post
- ▶ Finished? Add a date field
- ▶ Finished? Allow updating a post

Using React: Header

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<script src="https://fb.me/react-0.14.1.js">
</script>
<script src="https://fb.me/react-dom-0.14.1.js">
</script>
<script src=
" https://unpkg.com/babel-core@5.8.3/browser.min.js"
></script>
</head>
```

Using React: Body

```
<body>  
<div id="content"></div>
```

Using React: Code

```
<script type="text/babel">
const element = (
  <h1>
    Hello
  </h1>
);
ReactDOM.render(
  element,
  document.getElementById( 'content ' )
);
</script>
```

Static and Dynamic

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- ▶ Custom Twisted plugin

Static Files: Imports

```
import os

from zope import interface

from twisted.python import (usage, reflect,
                             threadpool, filepath)

from twisted import plugin
from twisted.application import (service,
                                  strports,
                                  internet)

from twisted.web import (wsgi, server,
                          static, resource)

from twisted.internet import reactor

import blog.app
```

Static Files: Resource

```
class DelegatingResource(resource.Resource):  
  
    def __init__(self, wsgi_resource):  
        resource.Resource.__init__(self)  
        self.wsgi_resource = wsgi_resource  
  
    def getChild(self, name, request):  
        print(" Got getChild", name, request)  
        request.prepath = []  
        request.postpath.insert(0, name)  
        return self.wsgi_resource
```

Static Files: Pool

```
def getPool(reactor):  
    pool = threadpool.ThreadPool()  
    reactor.callWhenRunning(pool.start)  
    reactor.addSystemEventTrigger('after',  
                                   'shutdown',  
                                   pool.stop)  
  
    return pool
```


Static Files: Root

```
def getRoot(pool):  
    application = blog.app.app  
    wsgi_resource = wsgi.WSGIResource(reactor ,  
                                       pool ,  
                                       application)  
    root = DelegatingResource(wsgi_resource)  
    static_resource = static.File('index.html')  
    root.putChild(b'', static_resource)  
    static_resource = static.File('static')  
    root.putChild(b'static', static_resource)  
    return root
```

Static Files: Service

```
class Options(usage.Options):  
    pass  
  
def makeService(options):  
    pool = getPool(reactor)  
    root = getRoot(pool)  
    site = server.Site(root)  
    ret = strports.service('tcp:8080', site)  
    return ret
```

Static Files: Running

```
$ python -m twisted blog
```

Hands On: Custom Plugin

:50-65

15 minutes

- ▶ Get it to run
- ▶ Finished? Add a favicon. (Hint: `/favicon.ico`)
- ▶ Finished? Add posts with requests
- ▶ Finished? Add parameter to control the port

Listing Posts: Constructor

```
class Posts extends React.Component {  
  constructor(props) {  
    super(props);  
    this.state = { posts: [] };  
    this.handleSubmit =  
      this.handleSubmit.bind(this)  
    this.handleChange =  
      this.handleChange.bind(this)  
  }  
}
```

Listing Posts: Data fetch

```
componentDidMount() {  
  fetch("/posts").then(  
    response => response.json()).then(  
    response => this.setState({posts: response}))  
}
```

Listing Posts: Rendering

```
render() {  
  return <div>  
    <ul>  
      {this.state.posts.map(post =>  
        <li>{post[0]}: {post[1]}</li>  
      )}  
    </ul>  
    {this.getForm()}  
  </div>  
}
```

Adding Post: Form

```
getForm() {  
  return <form onSubmit={this.handleSubmit}>  
    <p><label>Post:</label>  
    <input type="text" name="post"  
      onChange={this.handleInputChange}/></p>  
    <p><label>Author:</label>  
    <input type="text" name="author"  
      onChange={this.handleInputChange}/></p>  
    <p><input type="submit" value="Post"/></p>  
  </form>  
}
```


Adding Post: Manage Input

```
handleInputChanged(event) {  
  this.setState({[event.target.name]:  
                  event.target.value});  
  event.preventDefault();  
}
```

Adding Post: Sending Data

```
handleSubmit(event) {  
  fetch("/posts",  
    {  
      headers: {"Content-Type":  
                "application/json"},  
      method: "POST",  
      body: JSON.stringify(  
        {author: this.state.author,  
          content: this.state.post})  
    })  
}
```

Adding Post: Refreshing

```
}).then(fetch("/posts")).then(  
  response => response.json()).then(  
  response =>  
    this.setState({ posts: response }));  
event.preventDefault();  
}
```

Hands On: Refreshing Posts

:70-90 (20m)

- ▶ Get it to run as is
- ▶ Add a button to refresh posts
- ▶ Finished? Add a loop to refresh posts every 5 seconds
- ▶ Finished? Allow turning the loop off and on
- ▶ Finished? Allow setting the interval time

Backing Database: Imports

```
import contextlib
import os

import sqlalchemy
from sqlalchemy import sql
```

Backing Database: Configuration

```
metadata = sqlalchemy.MetaData()  
  
create_all = metadata.create_all
```

Backing Database: Location

```
def get_engine():  
    db = os.environ['BLOG_DATABASE']  
    return sqlalchemy.create_engine(db)
```

Backing Database: Schema

```
posts = sqlalchemy.Table('posts', metadata,
                          sqlalchemy.Column('content',
                                             sqlalchemy.String),
                          )
```


Backing Database: Context

```
def context_connect(engine):  
    return contextlib.closing(engine.connect())
```

Backing Database: Retrieval

```
def get_posts(engine):  
    with context_connect(engine) as conn:  
        select = sql.select([posts])  
        cursor = conn.execute(select)  
        return list(cursor)
```

Backing Database: Storing

```
def add_post(engine, content):  
    with context_connect(engine) as conn:  
        insert = posts.insert()  
        ins_content = insert.values(  
                                content=content)  
        conn.execute(ins_content)
```

Backing Database: App Changes: Configuration

```
with config.Configurator() as cfg:  
    engine = storage.get_engine()
```

Backing Database: App Changes: Retrieval

```
engine = request.registry.settings['engine']  
posts = [(content, 'anonymous')  
          for content,  
            in storage.get_posts(engine)]
```

Backing Database: App Changes: Storage

```
engine = request.registry.settings['engine']  
content = request.json_body['content']  
storage.add_post(engine, content)
```

Backing Database: Initialization

```
$ BLOG_DATABASE=sqlite:///blog.db \  
python -c \  
'from blog.storage import * \  
create_all(get_engine())'
```

Backing Database: Hands-On

:125-:140 (15m)

- ▶ Get it to run
- ▶ Add author
- ▶ Finished? Normalize author to different table
- ▶ Finished? Add auto-calculated date

Webpack

Real JavaScript developers minify and transpile and...

Webpack: Breaking Out JS

```
const ReactDOM = require('react-dom');  
const React = require('react');  
  
class Posts extends React.Component {  
  constructor(props) {
```

Webpack: Yarn

Yarn manages JavaScript environments

Webpack: Yarn: Configuration

```
{
  "devDependencies": {
    "webpack": "^4.12.0",
    "webpack-cli": "^3.0.8"
  },
  "dependencies": {
    "@material-ui/core": "^1.3.0",
    "babel-core": "^6.26.3",
    "babel-loader": "^7.1.4",
    "babel-preset-react": "^6.24.1",
    "react": "^16.4.1",
    "react-dom": "^16.4.1"
  },
  "private": true
}
```

Webpack: Yarn: Install

```
$ yarn install
```

Webpack: Configuration

```
const path = require('path');
const webpack = require('webpack');

module.exports = {
  entry: './src/index.jsx',
  output: {
    path: path.resolve('dist'),
    filename: 'index_bundle.js'
  },
  module: {
    rules: [
      {
        test: /\.jsx?$/,
        exclude: /node_modules/,
        use: "babel-loader",
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

Webpack: Babel configuration

```
{  
  "presets": ["react"]  
}
```

Webpack: Running

```
$ yarn webpack
```


Webpack: Layout

```
$ ls -l static/dist  
... static/dist -> ../dist/
```

Webpack: Bootstrap

```
<!DOCTYPE html><html>  
<head><meta charset="utf-8"/></head>  
<body><div id="content"></div>  
<script  
  src="/static/dist/index_bundle.js"  
></script>  
</body></html>
```

Webpack: Hands-On

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- ▶ Get it to run
- ▶ Finished? Generate source maps.

Styling

Look and feel

CSS

- ▶ Classes
- ▶ Selectors
- ▶ Styles

CSS and JavaScript/React

- ▶ CSS styles
- ▶ JavaScript makes components
- ▶ Interactions can be surprising...
- ▶ ...and hurt modularity

Material UI 1.0

- ▶ JavaScript +
- ▶ CSS +
- ▶ Design

Material UI: Imports

```
const React = require('react');
import Button from
    '@material-ui/core/Button';
import TextField from
    '@material-ui/core/TextField';
import List from
    '@material-ui/core/List';
import ListItem from
    '@material-ui/core/ListItem';
import ListItemText from
    '@material-ui/core/ListItemText';

class Posts extends React.Component {
  constructor(props) {
```


Material UI: Form

```
getForm() {  
  return <form onSubmit={this.handleSubmit}>  
    <p><TextField inputProps={{id: "post"}}  
      label="Post"  
      onChange={this.handleChange}/></p>  
    <p><TextField inputProps={{id: "author"}}  
      label="Author"  
      onChange={this.handleChange}/></p>  
    <p><Button variant="contained"  
      onClick={this.handleSubmit}>  
      Post</Button></p>  
  </form>  
}
```

Material UI: Posts

```
render() {  
  return <div>  
    <List>  
      {this.state.posts.map(post =>  
        <ListItem><ListItemText  
          primary={post[0] +  
            ": " +  
            post[1]}  
        /></ListItemText>  
      )}  
    </List>  
    {this.getForm()}  
  </div>  
}
```

Hands On: Add elements

:200-:215 (15m)

- ▶ Get it to run
- ▶ Add a title
- ▶ Finished? Add a bar
- ▶ Finished? Play with alignments
- ▶ Finished? Play with colors

Web application, A to..what?

What's missing?

- ▶ Packaging (with Docker)
- ▶ Testing (with Selenium)
- ▶ Continuous integration (CircleCI, Jenkins, etc.)
- ▶ Deployment (K8s)
- ▶ Continuous Deployment (CI + K8s)
- ▶ TLS – certificate management and rotation
- ▶ Monitoring – Pinging, logging, metrics, stack traces, alerting
- ▶ Redundancy
- ▶ Data migration
- ▶ Backup

Summary

- ▶ SQLAlchemy
- ▶ Pyramid
- ▶ Twisted
- ▶ React
- ▶ Webpack
- ▶ Material UI

Questions