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In django, can I have multiple instances of static app?

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Is it possible to have more than just one instance of the **static** app?

I have different types of resources that I might want to server from different `STATIC_URL` :

- I would like to serve CSS/JavaScript from `/static/`
- I would like to serve PDF documents from `/documents/`

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I think you are a bit mistaken about the purpose of `contrib.staticfiles` :

In previous versions of Django, it was common to place static assets in `MEDIA_ROOT` along with user-uploaded files, and serve them both at `MEDIA_URL`. Part of the purpose of introducing the staticfiles app is to make it easier to keep static files separate from user-uploaded files.

PDF documents are probably user generated so ideally they are not stored side by side with your static files (css, js), but are uploaded to `MEDIA_ROOT`.

And in production you have to [configure your web server](#) to serve the directories under certain urls.

While in development however you can use `django.views.static.serve` to [serve different dirs with different url prefixes](#).

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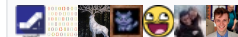
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I am using `urls.py`.

```
if settings.DEBUG:
    urlpatterns += patterns('',
        (r'^docs/(?P<path>.*)$', 'django.views.static.serve', {'document_root': '/hdblog/docs'}),
        (r'^static/(?P<path>.*)$', 'django.views.static.serve', {'document_root': '/hdblog/static'})
    )
```

You should look at <https://docs.djangoproject.com/en/dev/howto/static-files/?from=olddocs> and <https://docs.djangoproject.com/en/dev/howto/static-files/#serving-other-directories>

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