# **Creating a Web Application Using Flask**

### 1. Preparation

Before the creation of the application, I imported several different things. The things imported are portrayed in Figure A (image is from a python file titled WorkoutPlannerFlask.py).

Additionally, there were two global variables that were initialized, which is portrayed in Figure D.

Figure A

```
import boto3 #used for creating a DynamoDB table
from boto3.dynamodb.conditions import Key #also used for creating a DynamoDB table
from flask import Flask #used to actually create a Flask application, where flask allows python and html to interact with each other
from flask import render_template, request, redirect, url_for, json #used to pass data from python to html and navigate to different webpages within the
#Flask application
import workoutPlannerConnect a MySQL relational database to the flask application
import workoutPlannerConnect #the file where the MYSQL relational database gets
app = Flask(_name_) #specifies that this is a Flask web application

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23 if __name__ == '__main__': #ensures that the web application is able to run
app.run(host='0.0.0.0', port=8080, debug=True)
```

This image shows all the things that were imported. The comments explain what these imported things are used for in the Flask web application. As shown in the first image, one of the imported things is "pymysql", which allows a MySQL relational database to be connected to python. Figure B shows the MySQL database created to be used for this application (image is from file titled WorkoutPlanner.sql). Meanwhile, Figure C shows the DynamoDB non-relational database created to be used for this application (as specified by the imports with the keyword "boto3"). Finally, it's important to note that the code portrayed in the second image must be written at the very end of the WorkoutPlannerFlask.py file after everything else is written, in order for the Flask web application to work.

Figure B

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create database AllExercises;
use AllExercises;

drop table if exists Exercises;

create table Exercises(id int, category text, exercise text, equipment text, difficulty text);

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delete from Exercises;

insert into Exercises values(1, 'Pull', 'Pullup', 'Bar', 'Intermediate');
insert into Exercises values(2, 'Pull', 'Chinup', 'Bar', 'Intermediate');
insert into Exercises values(3, 'Pull', 'Wide Grip Pullup', 'Bar', 'Intermediate');
insert into Exercises values(4, 'Pull', 'Close Grip Pullup', 'Bar', 'Intermediate');
insert into Exercises values(5, 'Pull', 'Inverted Row', 'Table', 'Beginner');
insert into Exercises values(6, 'Push', 'Dip', 'Chairs', 'Intermediate');
insert into Exercises values(7, 'Push', 'Pushup', 'None', 'Beginner');
insert into Exercises values(8, 'Push', 'Bench Dip', 'Chairs', 'Beginner');
insert into Exercises values(9, 'Push', 'Bench Dip', 'Chairs', 'Beginner');
insert into Exercises values(10, 'Push', 'Wide Hand Placement Pushup', 'None', 'Beginner');
insert into Exercises values(11, 'Push', 'Incline Pushup', 'None', 'Beginner');
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def get_conn():
    conn = pymysql.connect(
        host= WorkoutPlannerConnect.host,
        user= WorkoutPlannerConnect.user,
        password = WorkoutPlannerConnect.password,
        db=WorkoutPlannerConnect.db,
        )
    return conn

def execute_query(query, args=()):
    cur = get_conn().cursor()
    cur.execute(query, args)
    rows = cur.fetchall()
    cur.close()
    return rows
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The first image from Figure B shows that the database created to be used for this Flask web application is called AllExercises. The database AllExercises contains a single table called Exercises, which includes the following: a unique identifier (id), the group of muscles for which the exercise targets (category), the name of the actual exercise (exercise), which equipment is needed to perform this exercise (equipment), and the fitness level for which the exercise is suitable for (difficulty). Meanwhile, the second image from Figure B shows how that MySQL database became connected to python in the file WorkoutPlannerFlask.py. Note that the WorkoutPlannerConnect.py file was the file actually used to connect the MySQL database AllExercises to Flask.

```
import boto3
from boto3.dynamodb.conditions import Key
TABLE_NAME = "Personalized-Workout-Plans"
dynamodb = boto3.resource('dynamodb', region_name='us-east-1')
table = dynamodb.Table(TABLE_NAME)
def print_workout_plan(workout_dict):
    print("user: ", workout_dict['user'])
print("Exercises: ", end="")
for exercise in workout_dict['Exercises']:
     print(exercise, end=" ")
    print()
def print_all_workout_plans():
    done = False
start_key = None
    while not done:
         response = table.scan()
          for workout in response["Items"]:
              print_workout_plan(workout)
         start_key = response.get('LastEvaluateKey', None)
done = start key is None
         done = start_key is Nor
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This image shows that the DynamoDB non-relational database, or table, created is called Personalized-Workout-Plans. This database, or table, stores the name of the user as well as all the list of exercises that they would have chosen when going through this web application. This image is from the file titled WorkoutPlannerDynamoDB.py.

Figure D

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name = [] #will store the name of the user, which will then be passed into the DynamoDB non-relational database
listofExercisesAdded = [] #will store all the list of exercises the user has chosen when going through this web application, which will then be passed into
#the DynamoDB non-relational database
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This image (from WorkoutPlannerFlask.py) shows the two global variables that were initialized, with comments explaining what is their use.

# 2. Creating Home Page

The goal of the home page was to take in and store the name of the user, as well as have user select what group of muscles they want to focus on, what kind of equipment they have available, and their fitness level. Figure A portrays how the home page looks like, as well as the functions within the Flask Python file WorkoutPlannerFlask.py that were used to create the home page.

Workout Planner For Exercises You Can Do Without a Gym Membership						
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Choose which equipment you want to	use 🗸					
Choose the difficulty level of the exerci	sses 🗸 🗸					
Submit						
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60 61 #the functions start_page() and 62 #the file titled WorkoutPlanner	I start_page2() create the home page of this web application; render_template() is used to execute the html code in					

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#the file titled MorkoutPlanner.html

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As described by the comments in the second image, the functions start\_page() and start\_page2() rely on the html file WorkoutPlanner.html, where the actual design of the home page takes place. Figure B shows some of the code used for that file.

### Figure B

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## CI--The style tag is used to write CSS code within an html file. The code between the open and closed style tags is all CSS code, and it is used to add style to the webpage, such as making its background color blue, setting the text color to white, etc. -->

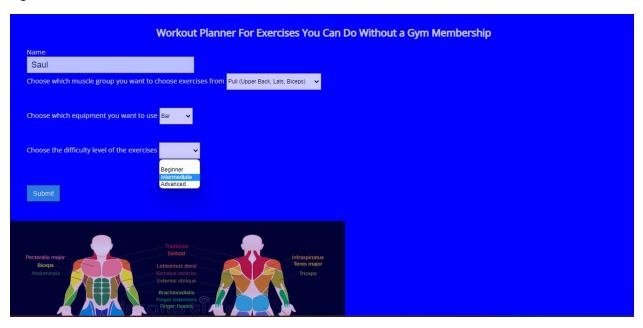
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The first image specifically shows how CSS code is used inside this HTML file to add to the style of the home page (very similar CSS code was also used in other HTML files for the creation of this web application), such as making its background color blue, setting the text color to white, etc. Meanwhile, the second image creates a form that contains a textbox (noted specifically in the second image) as well as three dropdowns. The third and fourth images portray the dropdowns created. Once the Submit button gets pressed (portrayed in the fourth image of Figure B), that data then gets sent to the function start\_page2() in flask, since methods=['POST'] was specified (refer to the second image in Figure A). In the start\_page2() function, the lines stating "request.form[nameOfTextboxOrDropdown]" are used to retrieve the specific values from the html form (i.e. group of muscles, equipment, difficulty, etc.) and store them into local variables in

python (refer to the second image in Figure A). From there, the user leaves the home page and heads over to a new webpage that displays the exercises filtered based on their responses from the home page. Figure C shows the transition between the home page and the webpage that displays the exercises filtered based on a given user's responses.

Figure C





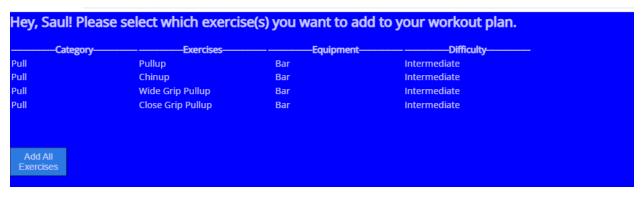
As shown in Figure C, after I click on the submit button when typing in my name and selecting the appropriate values from the dropdowns, I get directed to a webpage displaying the exercises that align with my responses from the home page.

## 3. Creating Exercises Page

The goal of the exercises page was to display the appropriate exercises for the user to choose from based on their responses from the home page. Figure A portrays how the exercises page looks like, as well as the function within the Flask Python file WorkoutPlannerFlask.py that was used to create the exercises page. Similar to the home page, the design of the exercises page was done in the HTML files WorkoutPlanner\_2.html or WorkoutPlanner\_3.html, depending on

whether or not at least one exercise was filtered from the MySQL database based on the user's responses (refer to Figure B for the HTML files).

Figure A



Hey, Saul. Unfortunately, there are currently no exercises available that fit your responses from the previous page.

Click on the button below to go back to the previous page to change your responses.

Back

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67 @app.route('/', methods=['POST'])
68    def start_page2():
69         userName = request.form['name']
70         name.append(userName)
71         userRouinment = request.form['muscleGroups']
72         userGuinment = request.form['equipmentNeeded']
73         userDifficulty = request.form['difficultyLevel']
74         return redirect(url_for('exercises_page1', name = userName, muscle_group = userMuscleGroup, equipment = userEquipment, difficulty_level = userDifficulty))
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The function exercises_pagel() takes in the values retrieved from the form in the HTML template WorkoutPlanner.html from the function start_page2() and uses those values to perform ma query that filters out the appropriate exercises based on the user's responses from the previous webpage'

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def exercises_page1():

muscle_group = request.args.get('mascle_group', None)

equipment = request.args.get('quipment', None)

difficulty_level = request.args.get('difficulty_level', None)

rows = execute_query('""SELECIC category, exercise, equipment, difficulty

FROM Exercises

MHERE category = % and equipment = %s and difficulty = %s

Himit 10"", (str(muscle_group), str(equipment), str(difficulty_level)))

exercisesToAdd = execute_query('""SELECI distinct exercise

FROM Exercises

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As shown in the second image of Figure A, the user's responses to the textbox and dropdowns from the home page get retrieved (refer to the third image) and then sent to the function exercises\_page1() portrayed in the fourth image. From there, these values are used to filter out the appropriate exercises from the MySQL database based on the user's responses from the home page. However, it's important to note that if the user provides responses that don't contain any exercises filtered based on these responses from the MySQL database (refer to the second image), then they will be led to the webpage portrayed in the second image, where clicking the button "Back" takes them back to the home page.

Figure B

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The first and second images show the HTML from the file WorkoutPlanner\_2.html. Once the button "Add All Exercises" (refer to the first image from Figure A) gets pressed, the function exercises\_page2() from Flask will be called, since it is specified to have methods=['POST'] (refer to the fourth image). Meanwhile, the third image shows the HTML file WorkoutPlanner\_3.html. Once the button Back gets pressed, the user navigates to the home page, which is marked by the url http://3.239.90.212:8080/. From there, as shown in the fourth image, all the exercises the user was okay with adding from the exercises page will be added to the DynamoDB database along with their name (refer to Figure C). Once the information is added to the DynamoDB database, the HTML file WorkoutPlanner\_4.html will be rendered, which deals with the design of the next webpage.

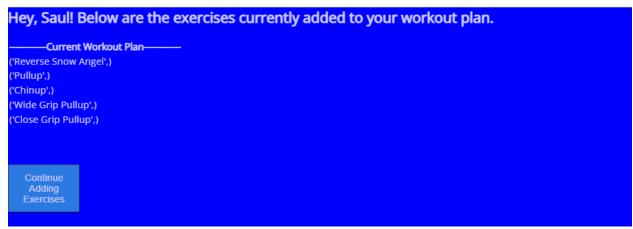
This image shows the function addToDynamoDB(), which adds the user's name and the exercises selected from the exercises page into the DynamoDB database.

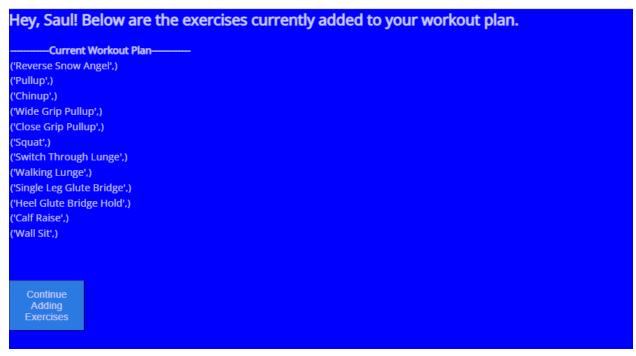
### 4. Displaying User's Workout Plan

As mentioned in the previous section, once the user's name and exercises selected get added to the DynamoDB database, the HTML file WorkoutPlanner\_4.html gets rendered, which uses HTML to create the design of the last webpage. The last webpage simply displays all the exercises the user has currently selected (refer to Figure A for how the last webpage looks like as well as the file WorkoutPlanner\_4.html used to create that webpage).

Figure A







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The first image shows the exercises that are filtered based on a given user's responses from the home page. Once the button "Add All Exercises" gets pressed, the user then gets navigated to the webpage portrayed in the second image, which displays the exercises the user has currently selected. Note that the exercises a given user selects get saved. If the same user were to continue adding new exercises, I would still have those exercises saved from before (refer to the third image).

#### 5. Sources Used

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