Django setup and command line tool

- 1. Create directory: mkdir name_of_dir
- 2. Install a virtual environment:
 - if you didn't install virtualenv you should run that command: pip3 install virtualenv
 - Create virtual environment: python3 -m venv env Or python3 -m virtualenv env (according to what package you have)
- 3. create a requirements.txt file:
 - touch requirements.txt
 - if you want to edit from the terminal just type: vi requirements.txt
 - to start editing just type in i (stands for INSERT)
 - then write your requirements, for now just write django==2.2.3
 - to save the changes type : esc and :wq (write and quit)
- 4. activate your virtual environment:
 - activate virtual env: source env/bin/activate
 - On Windows: source env/Scripts/activate
- 5. now we'll install django inside our virtual env:
 - pip3 install -r requirements.txt

Create a new django project

- 1. We now want to create our first project. We are going to user some commands.
 - django-admin startproject myProject this command creates a new project inside of that project you should see a file called manage.py and a folder that has the same name as the project.
 - now go inside if the first folder, here it would be cd myProject.
- 2. Once we created the project we want to create our first app.
 - You should be at the same level of directory as the manage.py file. if you need to go back one folder just run cd ...
 - and now run that command: django-admin startapp main_app
 - you should now see a folder called by the name of your app.

First settings

- 1. Go to the file called settings.py it should be located at myProject/myProject/settings.py
 - You should see a list of INSTALLED APPS just add the name of your app right after the other ones
- 2. Go now to this file : myProject/myProject/urls.py :
 - this is the paths that lead to your apps.
 - add this modules: from django.urls import path, include
 - add this line inside the urlpatterns: path('', include('main_app.urls'))

- you could also right something like this: path('main_app/',
 include('main_app.urls'))
- this is the url that leads to the paths of your app.
- it means that if you are running your website on localhost, this url: http://localhost:8000/ (or if you wrote the other line: http://localhost:8000/main_app/) will lead to the routes inside of your app.
- 3. Inside of your app create a new file calle urls.py.
 - inside of that file copy those line below:

Creating the first view

Entrée []:

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from django.urls import path
from . import views

app_name = 'main_app'

urlpatterns = [
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- 1. Inside of urlpatterns copy this line path('', views.index, name='index'),
 - this is the first path to a view that is going to be rendered when you'll call http://localhost:8000/
- 2. As you can see we are calling something called views.index
 - go inside your views.py file
 - there you should create a function called index and render your first template.
 - it should look like that:

Entrée [2]:

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1 def index(request):
2    return render(request, 'index.html')
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- 3. inside you app folder create a new directory called templates.
- 4. inside this folder create a file called index.html
 - · write whatever html you want inside that file.

Making the server run and seeing our view

- 1. inside your terminal run those commands:
- 2. python3 manage.py migrate: this will create the background for the database of your website
- 3. python3 manage.py createsuperuser: this command will create a user that can have every rights and can access the admin view

4. python3 manage.py runserver: you should now see your server running. You can now see all the request and every operation that your website is going to do inside of your terminal

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