

Streamlit - Deployment Module

1. What is Streamlit and what are its main features?

Streamlit is an open-source Python framework for creating interactive web applications. Its main features are:

- Easy to use with pure Python.
- Supports complex visualizations with minimal code.
- Real-time interactivity.
- Auto-refresh when code changes.
- Integration with data science libraries like Pandas, NumPy, and Matplotlib.

2. How does Streamlit differ from other web application frameworks like Flask or Django?

Flask and Django are more general-purpose web frameworks for building a wide range of web applications. Streamlit differs from Flask and Django as it is specifically designed for data apps with real-time interactivity.

3. What are some typical use cases for Streamlit?

Typical use cases for streamlit are:

- Creating machine learning model prototypes.
- Developing interactive reports.
- Constructing data exploration tools.
- Sharing data science results with non-technical stakeholders.

4. How do you create a simple Streamlit app?

Steps to create a simple Streamlit app is:

- Install Streamlit with *pip install streamlit*.
- Create a Python script (e.g., *my_app.py*).
- Add Streamlit code, e.g.,

```
import streamlit as st
st.write("Hello, Streamlit!")
```

- Run the app using *streamlit run my_app.py*

5. Can you explain the basic structure of a Streamlit script?

A basic Streamlit script structure includes:

- Importing Streamlit: *import streamlit as st* (also any other library if needed).
- Adding app elements like text, data, and widgets using Streamlit functions (*st.write()*, *st.header()*, *st.slider()*, etc.).
- Organizing the script with functions to manage layout and adding user interaction facility.

6. How do you add widgets like sliders, buttons, and text inputs to a Streamlit app?

To add widgets in Streamlit:

- Use built-in functions like `st.slider()`, `st.button()`, `st.text_input()`, etc.
- For example,

```
import streamlit as st

# Slider widget
slider_value = st.slider("Select a value", 0, 100)

# Button widget
if st.button("Click me"):
    st.write("Button clicked!")

# Text input widget
user_input = st.text_input("Enter text")

st.write(f"Slider value: {slider_value}")
st.write(f"Text entered: {user_input}")
```

7. How does Streamlit handle user interaction and state management?

Streamlit handles user interaction by re-running the script from top to bottom whenever a widget's state changes.

8. What are some best practices for organizing and structuring a Streamlit project?

Best practices for Streamlit project organization are:

- Modularizing code into functions or classes.
- Using `st.cache` for expensive computations.
- Structuring the project with clear directories for data, scripts, and assets.
- Commenting in code.

9. How would you deploy a Streamlit app locally?

To deploy a Streamlit app locally:

- Run `streamlit run my_app.py` in the terminal
- Streamlit will launch a local server(<http://localhost:3000/>) and provide a URL to access the app in a web browser.

10. Can you describe the steps to deploy a Streamlit app?

Steps to deploy a Streamlit app:

- Prepare streamlit app script.
- Create a `requirements.txt` with necessary dependencies
- Use a hosting service like Streamlit Cloud, Heroku, etc.
- Configure deployment settings and deploy through the chosen platform.

11. What is the purpose of the requirements.txt file in the context of Streamlit deployment?

The `requirements.txt` file lists all the Python dependencies needed to run your Streamlit app. It ensures that all necessary packages are installed in the deployment environment, maintaining consistency across different setups.