Building a Web App with Django

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Experience

- Summer internship at Microsoft on the SQL Server on Linux team
- Built a web app for customer engagement
- Django's built in libraries and applications made it easy to make a sophisticated app quickly

REST

- Use <u>Django REST Framework</u> to build an API
- Useful for Authentication
- Made development easier for us and people that work on our app down the line

MVT

- Model: database model/schema, defines structure of your data
- View (same as Controller in MVC): logic behind rendering a page/processing a user's request
- Template (same as View in MVC): UI layer that the user sees. Use {% data %} to display user specific information

Features

- Good <u>Documentation</u>
- Django Applications: don't reinvent the wheel every time
 - Do a small task to make development easier
 - Just pip install them
 - Used the following in my project:
 - <u>django-threadedcomments</u> (threaded comments on posts)
 - <u>django-widget-tweaks</u> (makes forms pretty)
 - <u>django-notifications</u> (email notifications)
 - <u>django-filter</u> (filter query results)
- Django Classes: built in and can define your own
 - Form class makes it easy to put form data in your database
 - Define a User class with attributes you want to save for each user
- Built in <u>user authentication</u>