# Cutting Through Noise:
# **Django v Flask v FastAPI**










Python Leadership Roundtable

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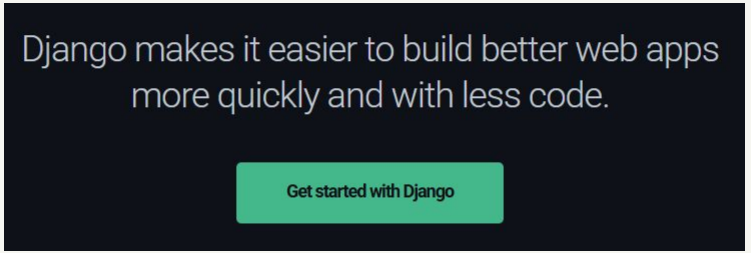
# Problem Statement

“I’m a Python user who needs to build a web app. Django, Flask, FastAPI - which should I pick?”



# Conventional Approaches

They could look at their websites…









# Conventional Approaches

Look at popular articles…

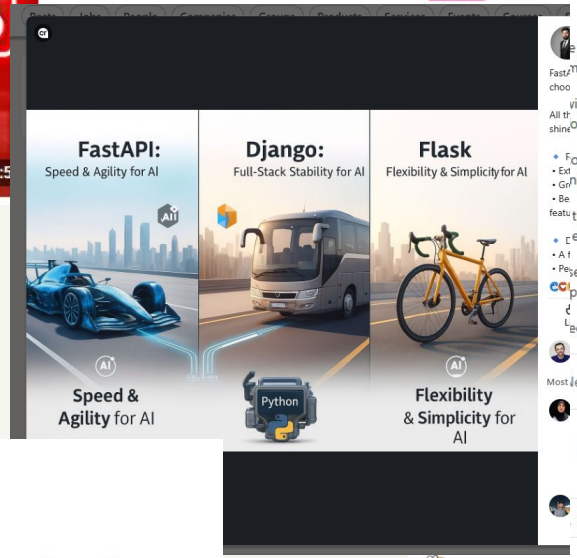



Is Django Dead in 2025? The Truth They Don't Tell You

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**FastAPI vs Flask & Django – The Future of Python Web Development?**

FastAPI has been gaining a lot of attention lately for its **speed, async support, and modern features.**

Some say it's the future of Python web frameworks. Others believe Flask and Django still hold the crown due to their maturity, ecosystem, and community support.

My question:

**Is FastAPI truly the next big thing in Python web development, or is it just hype that will fade over time?**

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Which web framework is "king"?

Discussion

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**Top Python Frameworks For Web Development:**

1. Django
2. CherryPy
3. Pyramid
4. Grok
5. TurboGears
6. Web2Py
7. Flask
8. Bottle

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**Why I'm Leaving Flask**

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If you want to use the fresh new things, I suggest FastAPI + NiceGUI.

# Conventional Approaches

Ask a friend…

“There are more jobs in Django so go with that”

“I just went with Django because it’s what I’m used to”

“I found a really good Flask tutorial on YouTube”

“I’ve heard good things about FastAPI”

“ChatGPT said use Flask so I went with that”

“I just sort of fell into the FastAPI world and stayed there - works well for me”

# Problem Challenges

This a special case of the intrinsic challenges with identifying the best solution in an unfamiliar area with unknown unknowns:

- **Marketing vs reality** - official resources can emphasise benefits rather than trade-offs
- **Popularity ≠ suitability** - wide adoption doesn’t guarantee it’s the right fit
- **Context matters** - what works for others may not suit your needs
- **Churn** - tools can change for the sake of novelty
- **Information asymmetry** - experts know things newcomers can’t easily see
- **Risk appetite** - play it safe with the proven option or gamble on the perfect fit
- **Influence of trends** - hype can be louder than informed analysis

# Today's Session

**Session Objective: Leave with a practical feel for Django, Flask and FastAPI**

**Bonus objective:** Leave with a stronger instinct in how to best evaluate Python tools to suit your needs

Discussion starters:

- What advice would we give our original Python developer about which web framework is the best?
- What often-overlooked factors should influence tool choice (e.g. community, longevity, governance, dependencies)
- What are some things that are bespoke to me that others may not preference (e.g. opinionated v unopinionated, risk tolerance)