

Smarty Templates: Overview & Demo

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Overview

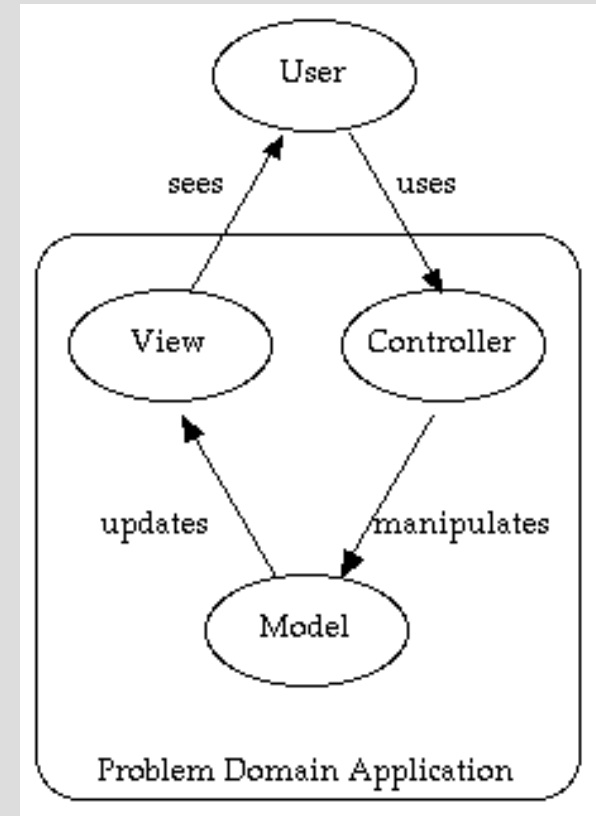
- Smarty 101
 - What & Why?
- Smarty Usage
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- Smarty In Action
 - “Hello World”
 - Record Set
 - Getting crazy...



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What is Smarty?

- A templating engine
- The V of MVC
- Separates business and display logic – designer safe!



Smarty vs Roll Your Own

- Built-in Caching
- Functionality – plugins, filters, addons
- Ongoing Maintenance
- Community/Support
- Intelligent Tools, etc
- More than simple token replacement

- vs Dummy Templates...

Using it...

- Install it:
 - <http://smarty.php.net/> - per project vs shared?
- Include it:
 - `require_once 'lib/Smarty-2.6.16/Smarty.class.php'`
- Call it:
 - `$smarty = new Smarty();`
- Feed it:
 - `$smarty->assign('message', 'Hello World');`
- Show it:
 - `$smarty->display('templateName.html');`

Demo

- Hello World -
<http://localhost/smarty-demo/helloworld.php>
- Project List -
<http://localhost/smarty-demo/projects.php>
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- Getting a little crazy -
<http://localhost/showguide/> and
<http://localhost/newscenter/> and
<http://localhost/dotproject-head/>