A **PYTHONIC** FULL-TEXT **SEARCH**

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16 results for *full text search* in version 3.1

Getting Help

Language: **en**

Documentation version: **3.1**

Full text search

Search

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Pythonic

>>> import this

"**Beautiful** is better than *ugly*.

Explicit is better than *implicit*.

Simple is better than *complex*.

Complex is better than *complicated*."

— "The Zen of Python", *Tim Peters*

Full-text search

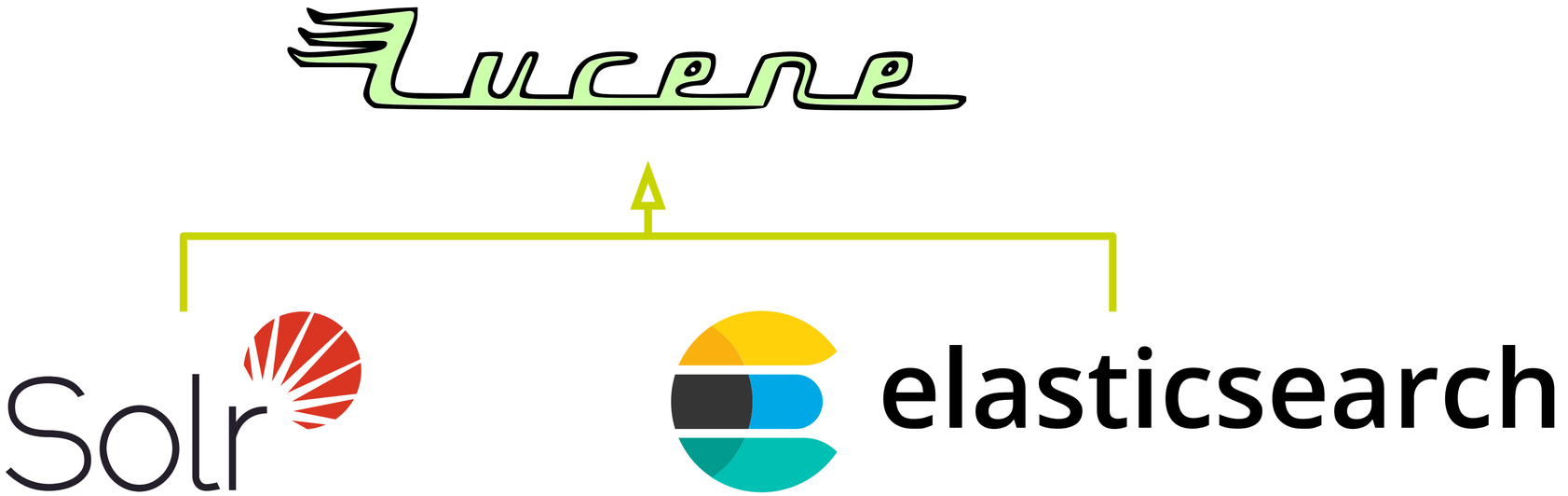
"… *techniques* for **searching**

… computer-stored **document** …

in a **full-text** *database*."

— "Full-text search", *Wikipedia*

Popular engines



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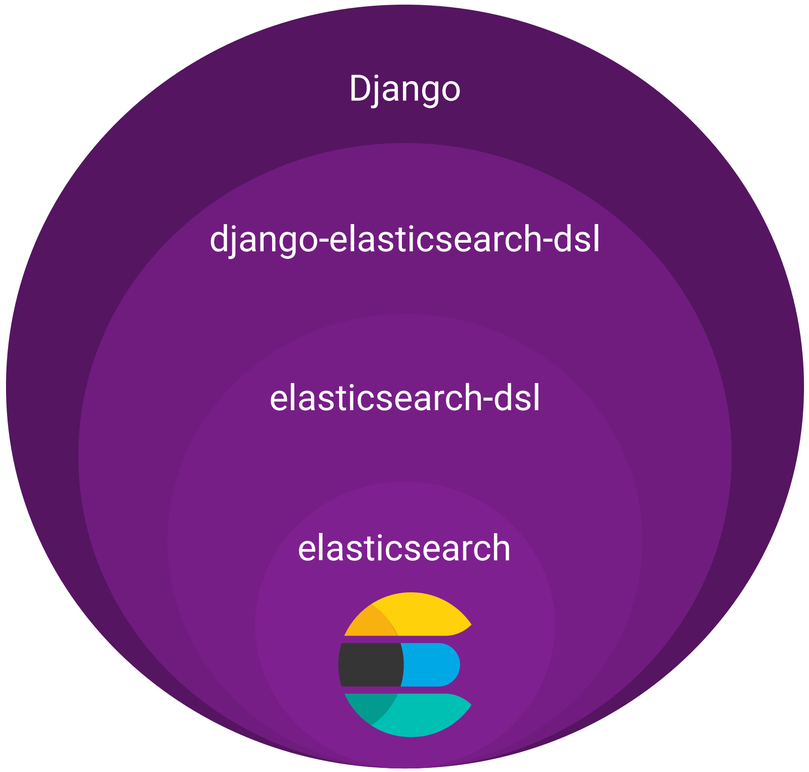
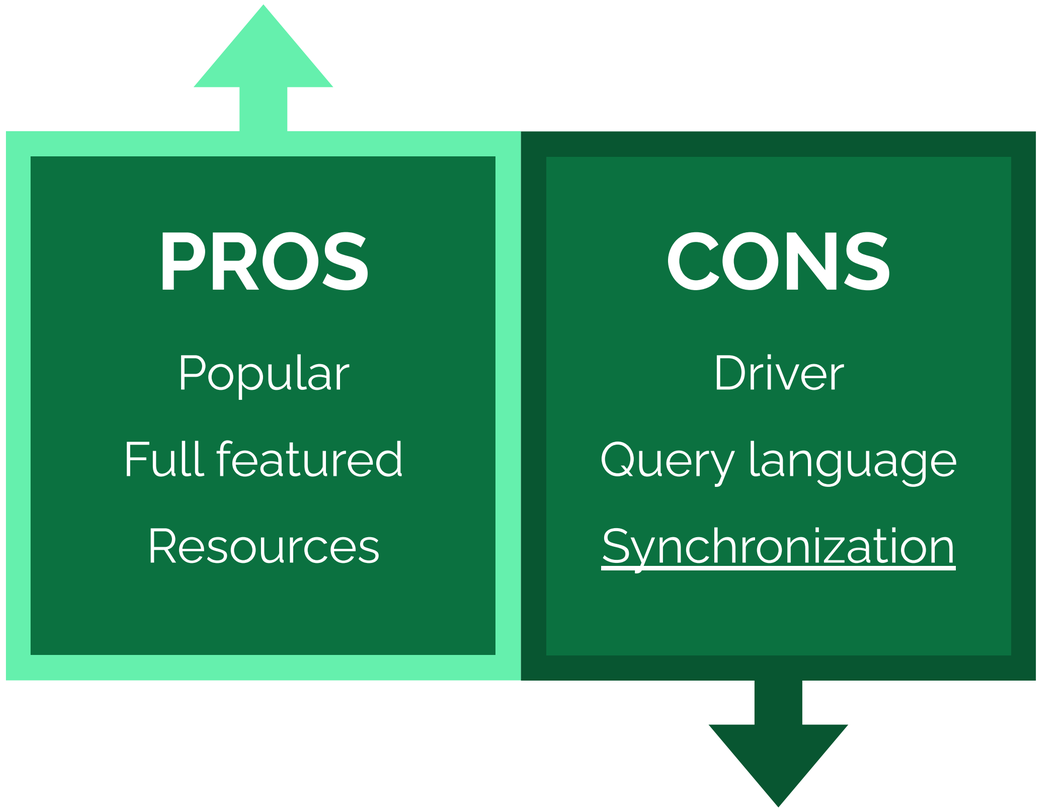


External engines



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PostgreSQL

- **Full text search** *(v8.3 ~2008)*
- Data type *(tsquery, tsvector)*
- Special indexes *(GIN, GiST)*
- Phrase search *(v9.6 ~2016)*
- JSON support *(v10 ~2017)*
- Web search *(v11 ~2018)*
- New languages *(v12 ~2019)*

Document

"… the **unit** of searching

in a full-text search **system**;

e.g., a magazine **article** …"

— "Full Text Search", *PostgreSQL Documentation*

Django

- **Full text search** *(v1.10 ~2016)*
- django.contrib.postgres
- Fields, expressions, functions
- GIN index *(v1.11 ~2017)*
- GiST index *(v2.0 ~2018)*
- Phrase search *(v2.2 ~2019)*
- Web search *(v3.1 ~2020)*

Document-based search

- Weighting
- Categorization
- Highlighting
- Multiple languages

```python
"""Blogs models."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from django.db import models

class Blog(models.Model):
    name = models.CharField(max_length=100)
    tagline = models.TextField()

class Author(models.Model):
    name = models.CharField(max_length=200)

class Entry(models.Model):
    blog = models.ForeignKey(Blog, on_delete=models.CASCADE)
    headline = models.CharField(max_length=255)
    body_text = models.TextField()
    authors = models.ManyToManyField(Author)
    search_vector = search.SearchVectorField()
```

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"""Field lookups."""

from blog.models import Author

Author.objects.filter(name__contains="Terry")
[<Author: Terry Gilliam>, <Author: Terry Jones>]

Author.objects.filter(name__icontains="ERRY")
[<Author: Terry Gilliam>, <Author: Terry Jones>, <Author: Jerry Lewis>]
```

```
"""Unaccent extension."""

from django.contrib.postgres import operations
from django.db import migrations

class Migration(migrations.Migration):
    operations = [operations.UnaccentExtension()]


"""Unaccent lookup."""

from blog.models import Author

Author.objects.filter(name__unaccent="Helene Joy")
[<Author: Hélène Joy>]
```

```python
"""Trigram extension."""

from django.contrib.postgres import operations
from django.db import migrations

class Migration(migrations.Migration):
    operations = [operations.TrigramExtension()]


"""Trigram similar lookup."""

from blog.models import Author

Author.objects.filter(name__trigram_similar="helena")
[<Author: Helen Mirren>, <Author: Helena Bonham Carter>]
```

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"""App installation."""

INSTALLED_APPS = [
    # …
    "django.contrib.postgres",
]


"""Search lookup."""

from blog.models import Entry

Entry.objects.filter(body_text__search="cheeses")
[<Entry: Cheese on Toast recipes>, <Entry: Pizza Recipes>]
```

```
"""SearchVector function."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry


SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("body_text", "blog__name")



entries = Entry.objects.annotate(search=SEARCH_VECTOR)
entries.filter(search="cheeses")
[<Entry: Cheese on Toast recipes>, <Entry: Pizza Recipes>]
```

```
"""SearchQuery expression."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry


SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("body_text")
SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("pizzas OR toasts", search_type="websearch")


entries = Entry.objects.annotate(search=SEARCH_VECTOR)
entries.filter(search=SEARCH_QUERY)
[<Entry: Cheese on Toast recipes>, <Entry: Pizza Recipes>]
```

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"""SearchConfig expression."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry


SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("body_text", config="french")
SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("œuf", config="french")


entries = Entry.objects.annotate(search=SEARCH_VECTOR)
entries.filter(search=SEARCH_QUERY)
[<Entry: Pain perdu>]
```

```
"""SearchRank function."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry


SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("body_text")
SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("cheese OR meat", search_type="websearch")
SEARCH_RANK = search.SearchRank(SEARCH_VECTOR, SEARCH_QUERY)

entries = Entry.objects.annotate(rank=SEARCH_RANK)
entries.order_by("-rank").filter(rank__gt=0.01).values_list("headline", "rank")
[('Pizza Recipes', 0.06079271), ('Cheese on Toast recipes', 0.044488445)]
```

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"""SearchVector weight attribute."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry

SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("headline", weight="A") \
              + search.SearchVector("body_text", weight="B")
SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("cheese OR meat", search_type="websearch")
SEARCH_RANK = search.SearchRank(SEARCH_VECTOR, SEARCH_QUERY)

entries = Entry.objects.annotate(rank=SEARCH_RANK).order_by("-rank")
entries.values_list("headline", "rank")
[('Cheese on Toast recipes', 0.36), ('Pizza Recipes', 0.24), ('Pain perdu', 0)]
```

```
"""SearchHeadline function."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry



SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("pizzas OR toasts", search_type="websearch")
SEARCH_HEADLINE = search.SearchHeadline("headline", SEARCH_QUERY)

entries = Entry.objects.annotate(highlighted_headline=SEARCH_HEADLINE)
entries.values_list("highlighted_headline", flat=True)
['Cheese on <b>Toast</b> recipes', '<b>Pizza</b> Recipes', 'Pain perdu']
```

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"""SearchVector field."""

from django.contrib.postgres import search
from blog.models import Entry


SEARCH_VECTOR = search.SearchVector("body_text")
SEARCH_QUERY = search.SearchQuery("pizzas OR toasts", search_type="websearch")


Entry.objects.update(search_vector=SEARCH_VECTOR)
Entry.objects.filter(search_vector=SEARCH_QUERY)
[<Entry: Cheese on Toast recipes>, <Entry: Pizza Recipes>]
```

Django 1.10 release notes

August 1, 2016

Getting Help

Language: **en**

Documentation version: **1.10**

What's new in Django 1.10

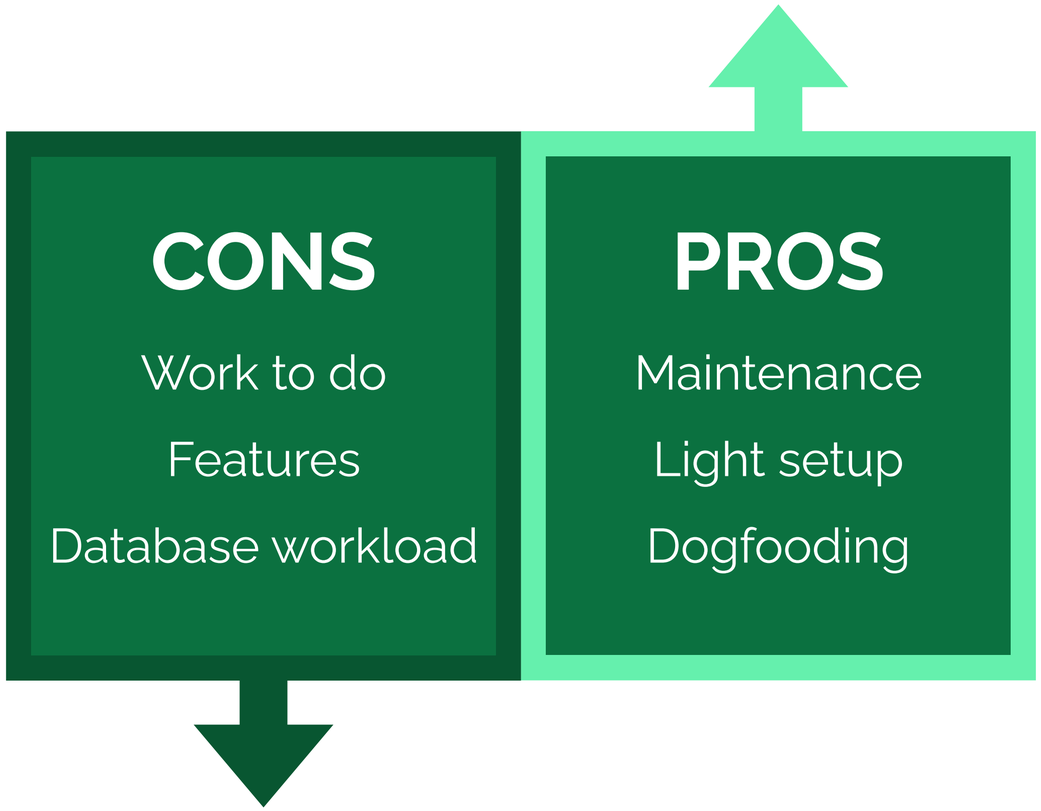
Full text search for PostgreSQL

`django.contrib.postgres` now includes a collection of database
the full text search engine. You can search across multiple fields in yo
combine the searches with other lookups, use different language configurations and weightings,

An old search

- English-only search
- HTML tag in results
- Sphinx generation
- PostgreSQL database
- External search engine

Django developers feedback

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Updated docs search to use PostgreSQL full-text search #797

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All Full-Text Search features based on Elasticsearch replaced with PostgreSQL FTS
https://groups.google.com/d/topic/django-developers/kxH56zaAeZY/discussion

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Full-text search features

- Multilingual
- PostgreSQL based
- Clean results
- Low maintenance
- Easier to setup

What's next

- Misspelling support
- Search suggestions
- Highlighted results
- Web search syntax
- Search statistics

Tips

- docs in djangoproject.com
- details in postgresql.org
- source code in github.com
- questions in stackoverflow.com

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