

## Topic: Image Compression 25: Setup, Model & Logic

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### Overview

The Python Imaging Library adds image processing capabilities to your Python interpreter.

This library provides extensive file format support, an efficient internal representation, and fairly powerful image processing capabilities.

The core image library is designed for fast access to data stored in a few basic pixel formats. It should provide a solid foundation for a general image processing tool.

1. Go to [Pillow documentation](#) and install the Django package in the Django server terminal and in Celery terminal

```
$ pip install pillow
```

2. In the Django server, we create a new app IMAGE\_COMPRESSION

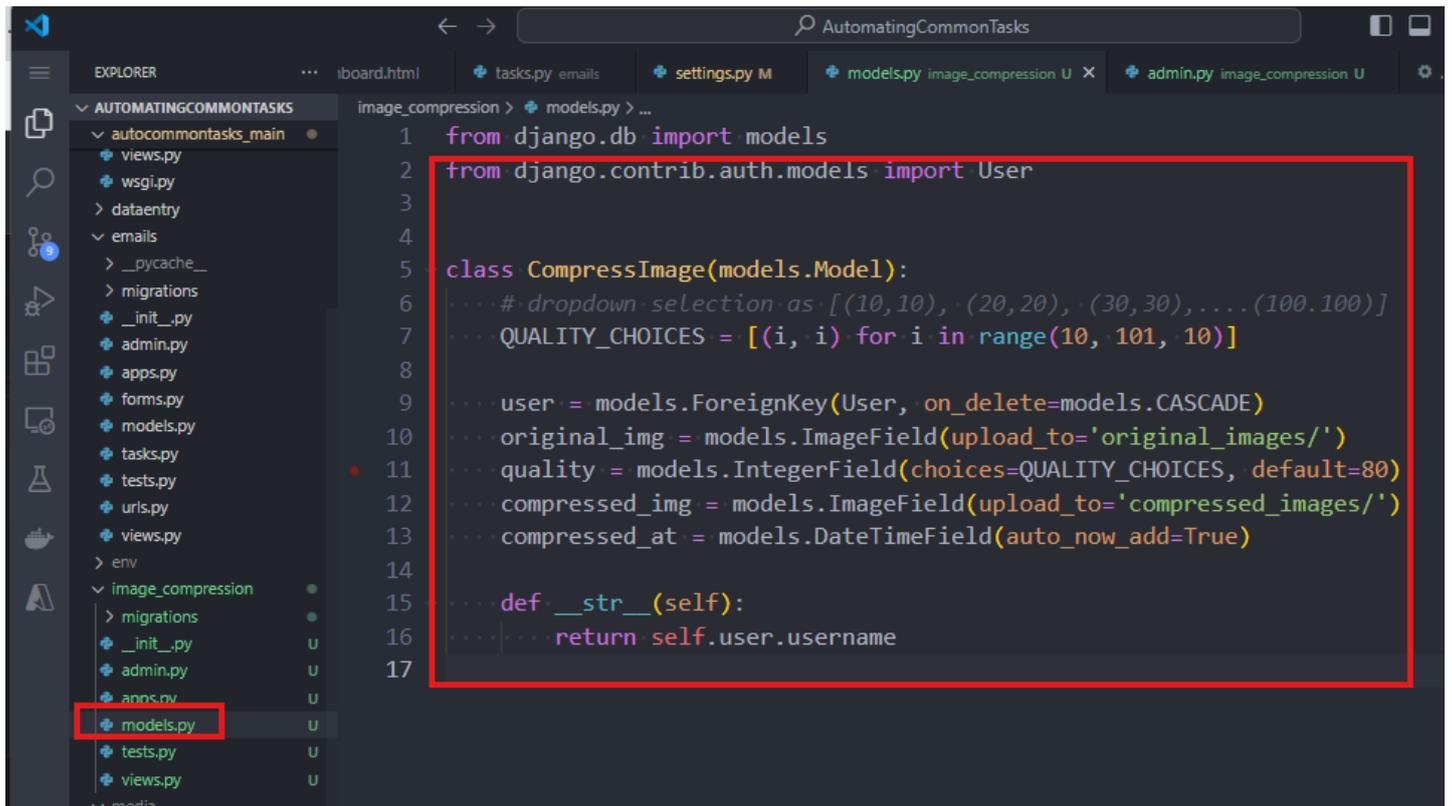
```
$ python manage.py startapp image_compression
```

3. Register the new app in SETTINGS.PY INSTALLED\_APPS

```
# Application definition

INSTALLED_APPS = [
    'django.contrib.admin',
    'django.contrib.auth',
    'django.contrib.contenttypes',
    'django.contrib.sessions',
    'django.contrib.messages',
    'django.contrib.staticfiles',
    'dataentry',
    'uploads',
    'crispy_forms',
    'crispy_bootstrap5',
    'emails',
    'ckeditor',
    'anymail',
    'image_compression',
]
```

4. Create the model in MODELS.PY



```
1 from django.db import models
2 from django.contrib.auth.models import User
3
4
5 class CompressImage(models.Model):
6     """# dropdown selection as [(10,10), (20,20), (30,30), ... (100,100)]
7     """
8     QUALITY_CHOICES = [(i, i) for i in range(10, 101, 10)]
9
10    user = models.ForeignKey(User, on_delete=models.CASCADE)
11    original_img = models.ImageField(upload_to='original_images/')
12    quality = models.IntegerField(choices=QUALITY_CHOICES, default=80)
13    compressed_img = models.ImageField(upload_to='compressed_images/')
14    compressed_at = models.DateTimeField(auto_now_add=True)
15
16    def __str__(self):
17        """return self.user.username
```

To make the QUALITY field a drop-down option, we use the SELECT TAG. Where we see the VALUE AND THE LABEL (which is displayed as a user option in the dropdown)

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h1>The select element</h1>

<p>The select element is used to create a drop-down list.</p>

<form action="/action_page.php">
  <label for="cars">Choose a car:</label>
  <select name="cars" id="cars">
    <option value="volvo">Volvo</option>
    <option value="saab">Saab</option>
    <option value="opel">Opel</option>
    <option value="audi">Audi</option>
  </select>
  <br><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>

<p>Click the "Submit" button and the form-data will be sent to a page on the
server called "action_page.php".</p>

</body>
</html>

```

## The select element

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Click the "Submit" button and the form-data will be sent to a page on the ser

5. Register the model for our ADMIN panel. Update ADMIN.PY:

```

AutomatingCommonTasks
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AUTOMATINGCO...
  autocommontasks_main
    views.py
    wsgi.py
    dataentry
    emails
      __pycache__
      migrations
      __init__.py
      admin.py
      apps.py
      forms.py
      models.py
      tasks.py
      tests.py
      urls.py
      views.py
    env
    image_compression
      migrations
      __init__.py
      admin.py
      apps.py
      models.py
      tests.py
  board.html
  tasks.py
  emails
  settings.py M
  models.py
  image_compression U
  admin.py > ...
1 from django.contrib import admin
2 from .models import CompressImage
3
4 # Register your models here.
5 admin.site.register(CompressImage)
6

```

6. Make the necessary model migrations

```
$ python manage.py makemigrations
```

```
$ python manage.py migrate
```

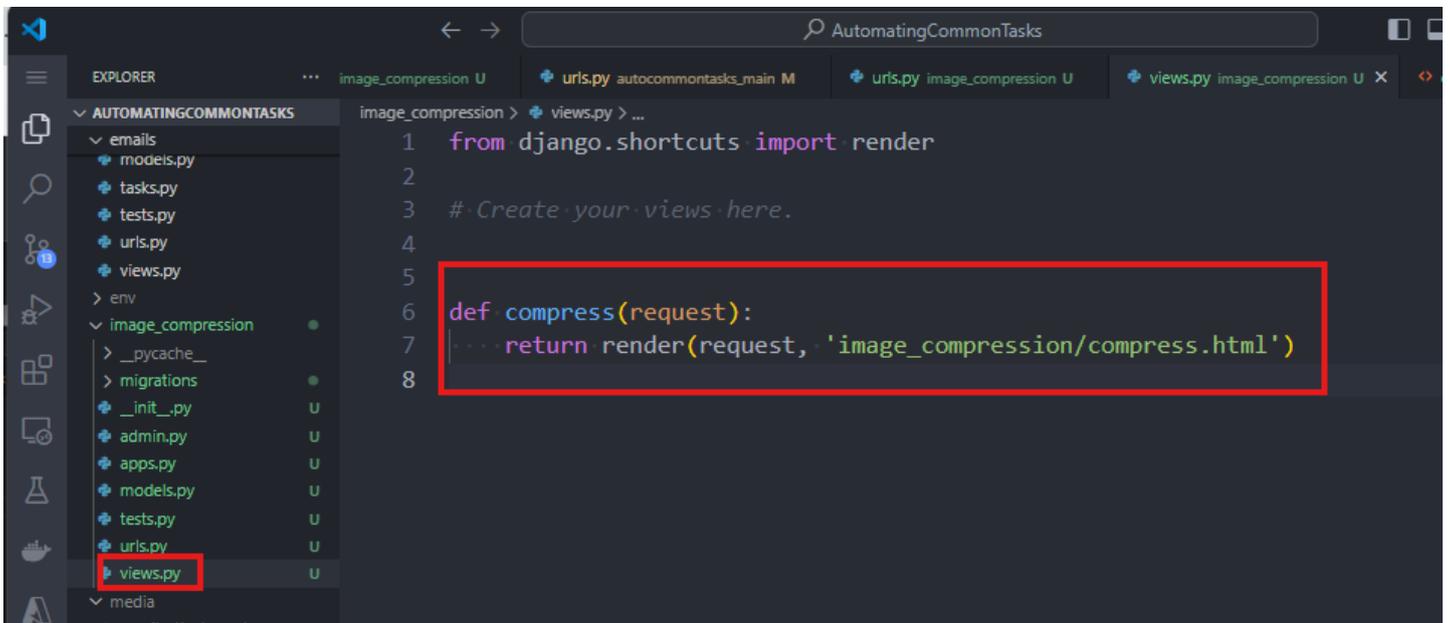
7. Create the new URL pattern. Since we have a new app, we need to create a new pattern in our main project's URLS.PY.

```
10 Class-based views
11 ... 1. Add an import: from other_app.views import Home
12 ... 2. Add a URL to urlpatterns: path('', Home.as_view(), name='home')
13 Including another URLconf
14 ... 1. Import the include() function: from django.urls import include, path
15 ... 2. Add a URL to urlpatterns: path('blog/', include('blog.urls'))
16 """
17 from django.contrib import admin
18 from django.urls import path, include
19 from . import views
20 from django.conf.urls.static import static
21 from django.conf import settings
22
23 urlpatterns = [
24     path('admin/', admin.site.urls),
25     path('', views.home, name='home'),
26     # Links to our dataentry app's URLs.PY
27     path('dataentry/', include('dataentry.urls')),
28     path('celery-test/', views.celery_test),
29     # registration and login
30     path('register/', views.register, name='register'),
31     path('login/', views.login, name='login'),
32     path('logout/', views.logout, name='logout'),
33     # Email tasks to forward to emails app's urls.py
34     path('emails/', include('emails.urls')),
35     # Image compression tasks
36     path('image-compression/', include('image_compression.urls')),
37
38 ] + static(settings.MEDIA_URL, document_root=settings.MEDIA_ROOT)
39
```

Then, create a new URLS.PY file in our new app for image-compression-related URL paths.

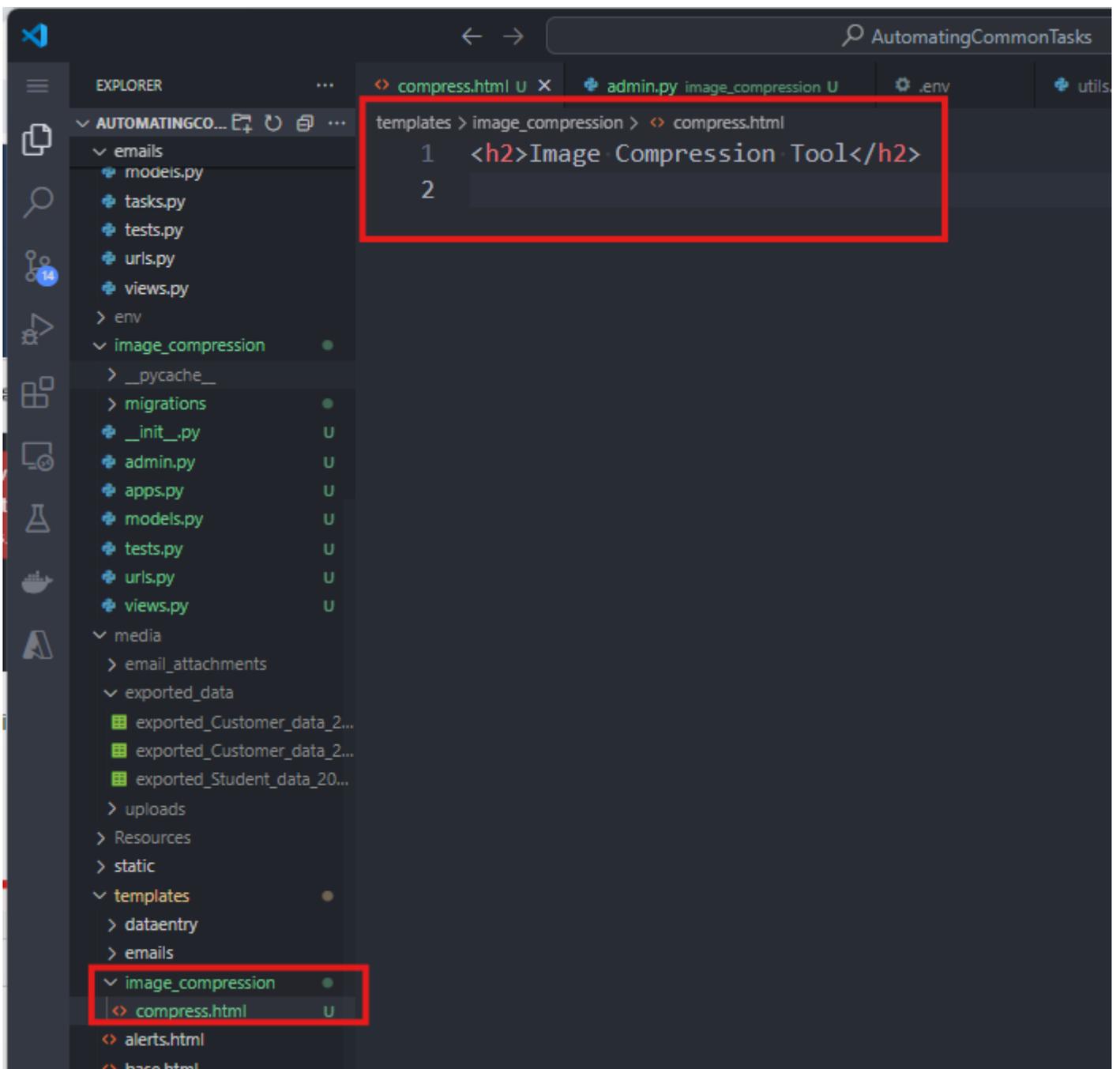
```
1 from django.urls import path
2 from . import views
3
4 urlpatterns = [
5     path('compress/', views.compress, name='compress'),
6
7 ]
8
```

8. Create the function in the VIEWS.PY



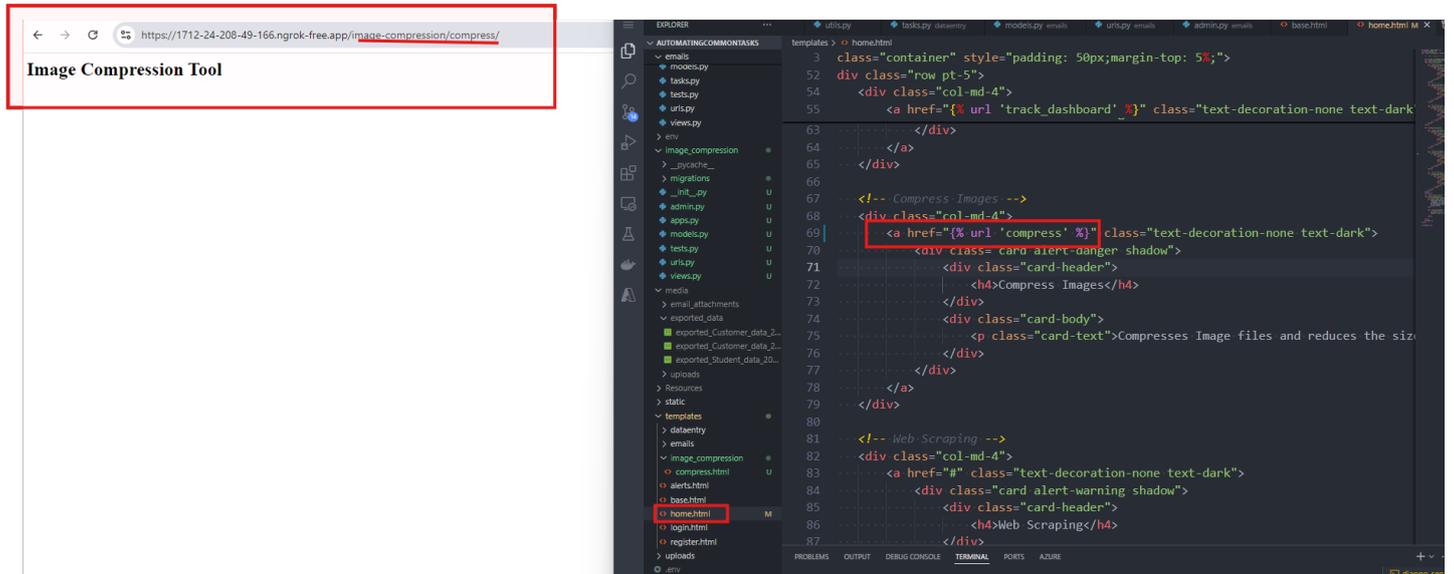
```
1 from django.shortcuts import render
2
3 # Create your views here.
4
5
6 def compress(request):
7     return render(request, 'image_compression/compress.html')
8
```

9. Create a new FOLDER called IMAGE\_COMPRESSION, and in this folder, create a new file, COMPRESS.HTML

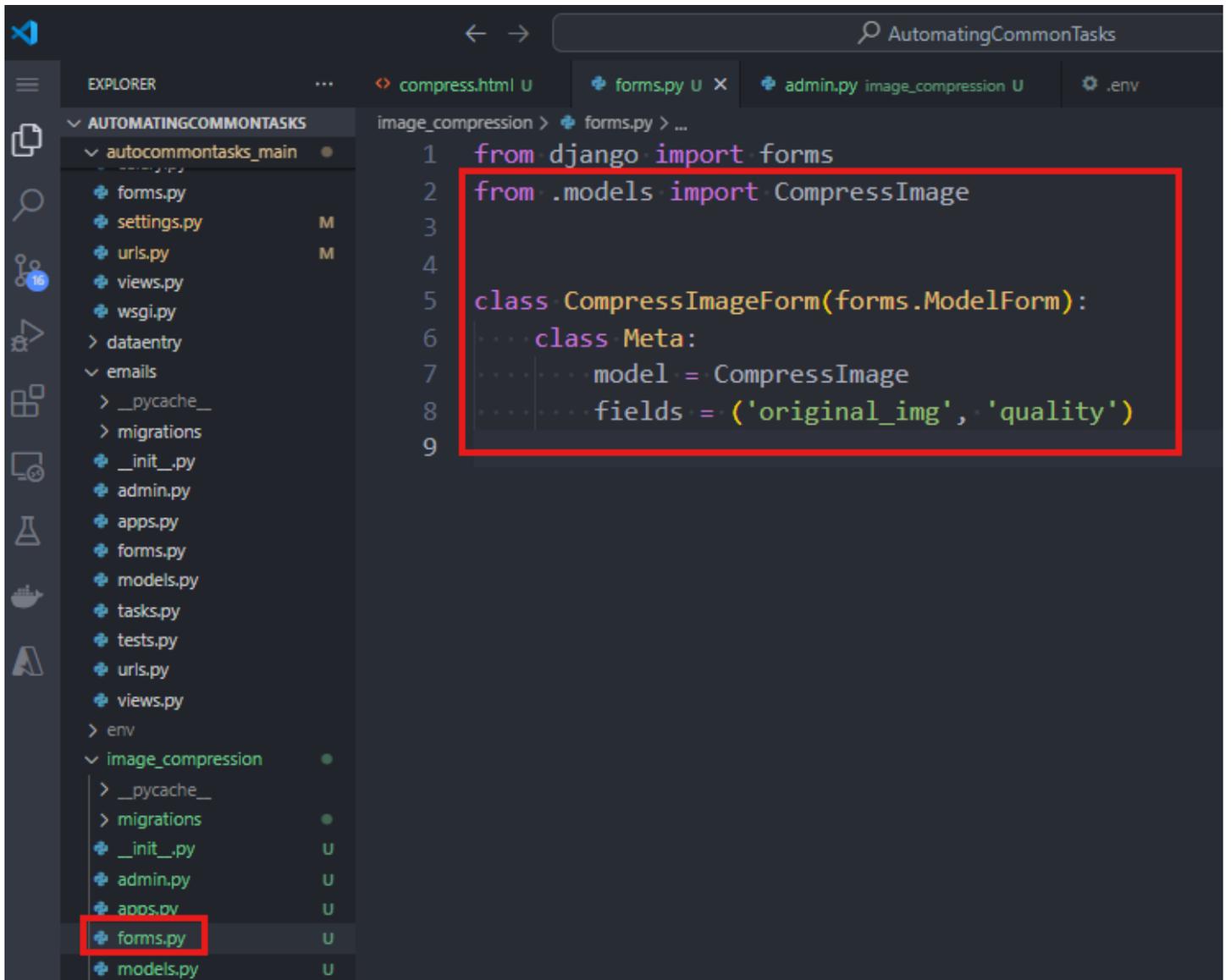


```
templates > image_compression > <> compress.html
1 <h2>Image Compression Tool</h2>
2
```

10. Update the HOME.HTML to call this new web page.



11. Create a FORMS.PY



12. Call our form using our VIEWS.PY:

```
1 from django.shortcuts import render
2 from .forms import CompressImageForm
3 # Create your views here.
4
5
6 def compress(request):
7     form = CompressImageForm()
8     context = {
9         'form': form,
10    }
11    return render(request, 'image_compression/compress.html', context)
12
```

13. In the COMPRESS.HTML, update as:

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the 'Compress Images Tool' form. The form has a text input for 'Original img\*' with a 'Choose File' button and 'No file chosen' text. Below it is a 'Quality\*' dropdown menu set to '80'. A blue 'Compress' button is at the bottom. The browser URL is <https://17112-24-208-49-166.ngrok-free...>. The user is logged in as 'Commentask\_admin'.

The background shows the VS Code editor with the compress.html template file. The code is highlighted with red boxes:

```
1 {% extends 'base.html' %}
2
3 {% block content %}
4 {% load crispy_forms_tags %}
5
6 <div class="container mt-5 p-3 shadow rounded" style="max-width: 700px;">
7   <h2 class="text-center">Compress Images Tool </h2>
8   <form action="{% url 'compress' %}" method="POST" enctype="multipart/form-data">
9     {{ csrf_token }}
10
11     <div class="form-group">
12       {{ form | crispy }}
13     </div>
14
15     <div class="form-group">
16       <input type="submit" value="Compress" class="btn btn-primary">
17     </div>
18 </form>
19 {% include 'alerts.html' %}
20 </div>
21
22
23 {% endblock %}
```

14. We can change the label of the field on the form, so update FORMS.PY and add the line:

```
1 from django import forms
2 from .models import CompressImage
3
4
5 class CompressImageForm(forms.ModelForm):
6     class Meta:
7         model = CompressImage
8         fields = ('original_img', 'quality')
9
10    original_img = forms.ImageField(label='Upload an Image')
11
```

FROM:

Original img\*

Choose File No file chosen

Quality\*

80

TO:

Upload an Image\*

Choose File No file chosen

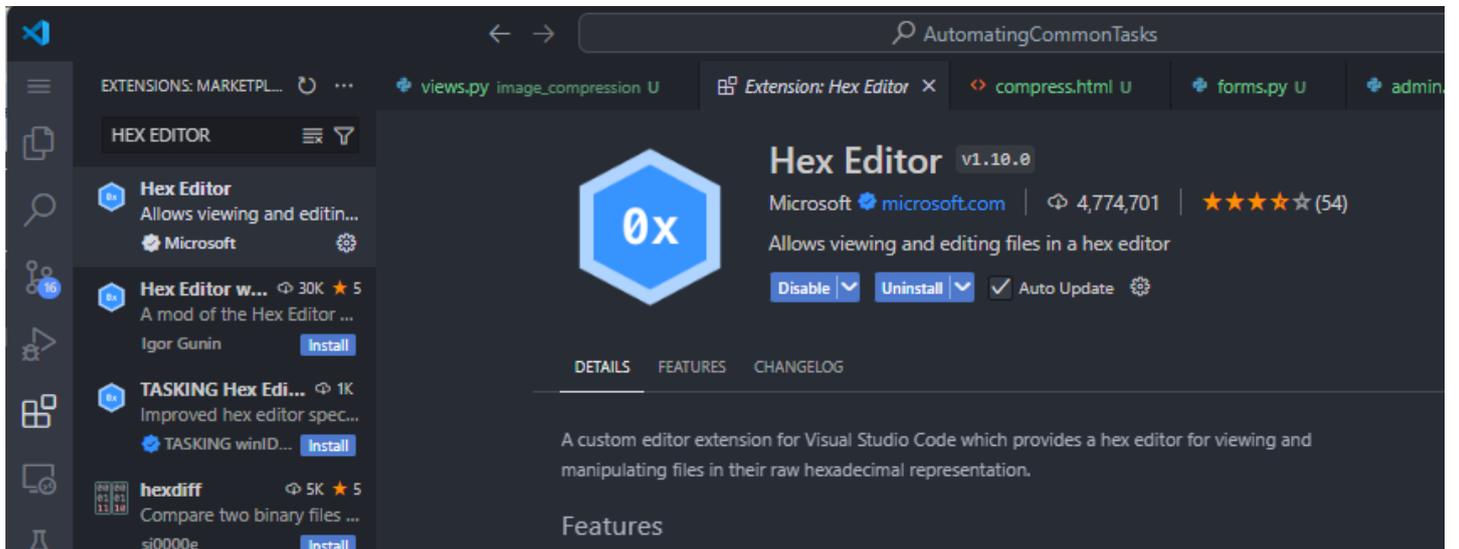
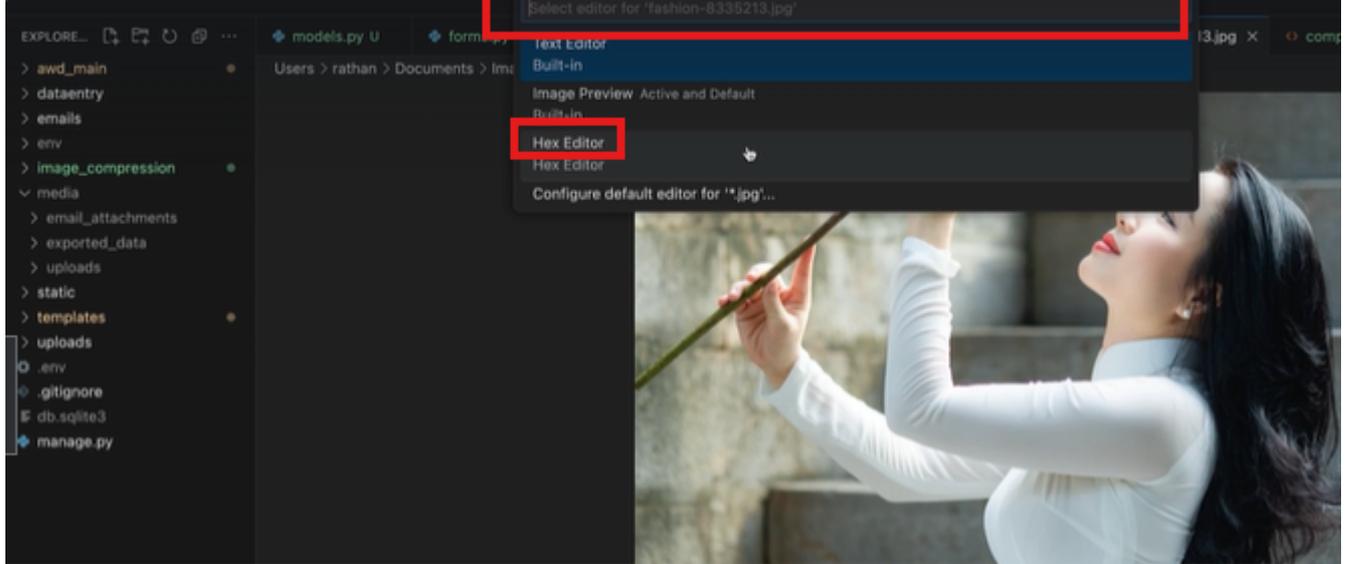
Quality\*

80

15. When we use `io.BytesIO`, we get bytes value of the image. To see what is the visual representation of these bytes, you can add the EXTENSION 'HEX EDITOR'.

Now open an image file. On the tab of this image, right-click, select 'REOPEN EDITOR WITH', and select HEXEDITOR and you will see the HEX value of the file.

# 103. Image Compression Logic



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code window with the following content:

- Explorer (Left):** Shows a project structure under 'AUTOMATINGCOMMONTASKS'. The 'Resources > Datasets > Image+Compression > Image Compression' folder is expanded, showing the file 'butterflies-1127666.jpg' selected.
- Main Editor:** Displays the hex dump and decoded text for 'butterflies-1127666.jpg'. The hex dump consists of two columns: the first column contains hex values (e.g., FF D8 FF E0 00 10 4A 46 49 46 00 01 01 00 00 01), and the second column contains the corresponding ASCII characters (e.g., J F I F . . . . .). The decoded text is:
 

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      J F I F . . . . .
      C . . . . .
      ! . . . . .
      " $ " $ . . . . . C . . . . .
      @ . . . . .
      } . . . . . !
      1 A . . Q a . " q . 2 . . . . #
      B . . . R . $ 3 b r . . . . .
      . . . % & ' ( ) * 4 5 6 7 8 9 :
      C D E F G H I J S T U V W X Y Z
      c d e f g h i j s t u v w x y z
      
```
- Terminal (Bottom):** Shows a 'WARNINGS:' section with a message: 'Warning: (codeintention #001) Using deprecated function CFileOpen(4, 0, 1, which isn't supported anymore and which does have undefined security'.

16. We use BUFFER.SEEK(0) to make sure that after we save, we set our cursor position back to 0.

The image shows a code editor with a file explorer on the left and a terminal at the bottom. The file explorer shows a project named 'AUTOMATINGCOMMONTASKS' with various subfolders and files. The main editor displays the code for a Django view function named 'compress' in 'views.py'. The code is as follows:

```
7 def compress(request):
17     # perform the compression
18     original_img = Image.open(original_img)
19     buffer = io.BytesIO()
20     print('buffer cursor position or pointer at the beginning = >', buffer.tell())
21     original_img.save(buffer, format='JPEG', quality=quality)
22     # print('buffer=>', buffer.getvalue())
23     print('buffer cursor position or pointer after image compression = >', buffer.tell())
24     # pointer goes back to 0 location after saving in the buffer
25     buffer.seek(0)
26     print('buffer cursor position or pointer after return to zero = >', buffer.tell())
27     # save the compressed image inside the model with filename format
28     compressed_img.save(
29         f'compressed_{original_img}', buffer)
30     return redirect('compress')
31
32 else:
33     form = CompressImageForm()
34     context = {
35         'form': form,
36     }
37     return render(request, 'image_compression/compress.html', context)
```

The terminal output at the bottom shows the following:

```
?(ckeditor.W001) django-ckeditor bundles CKEditor 4.22.1 which isn't supported anymore and which does have unfixed security issues, see for example https://ckeditor.com/cke4/release-
erent editor (maybe CKEditor 5 respectively django-ckeditor-5 after checking whether the CKEditor 5 license terms work for you) or switch to the non-free CKEditor 4 LTS package. See h
otice has been added by the django-ckeditor developers and we are not affiliated with CKSource and were not involved in the licensing change, so please refrain from complaining to us.

System check identified 1 issue (0 silenced).
August 30, 2024 - 16:35:55
Django version 4.2.14, using settings 'autocommontasks_main.settings'
Starting development server at http://127.0.0.1:8000/
Quit the server with CTRL-BREAK.

buffer cursor position or pointer at the beginning = > 0
buffer cursor position or pointer after image compression = > 1226514
buffer cursor position or pointer after return to zero = > 0
Internal Server Error: /image-compression/compress/
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\Users\Rosilie\OneDrive\Desktop\LEARNING DJANGO PROJECTS\AutomatingCommonTasks\env\lib\site-packages\django\db\backends\utils.py", line 89, in _execute
```

17. The VIEWS.PY shall be:

```
1 from django.shortcuts import render, redirect
2 from .forms import CompressImageForm
3 from PIL import Image
4 import io
5 from django.contrib import messages
6
7
8 def compress(request):
9     user = request.user
10
11     if request.method == 'POST':
12         form = CompressImageForm(request.POST, request.FILES)
13         if form.is_valid():
14             original_img = form.cleaned_data['original_img']
15             quality = form.cleaned_data['quality']
16
17             # temporarily saves the form
18             compressed_image = form.save(commit=False)
19             compressed_image.user = user
20
21             # perform the compression
22             img = Image.open(original_img)
23             buffer = io.BytesIO()
24             img.save(buffer, format='JPEG', quality=quality)
25             buffer.seek(0)
26
27             # save teh compressed image inside the model with filename format
28             compressed_image.compressed_img.save(
29                 f'compressed_{original_img}', buffer
30             )
31
32             messages.success(
33                 request, 'Image successfully compressed.')
34             return redirect('compress')
35
36     else:
37         form = CompressImageForm()
38         context = {
39             'form': form,
40         }
41         return render(request, 'image_compression/compress.html', context)
```

18. Checking our ADMIN panel

← → ↻ ⓘ http://127.0.0.1:8000/admin/image\_compression/compressimage/5/change/

## Django administration

Home > Image\_Compression > Compress images > commontask\_admin

Start typing to filter...

**AUTHENTICATION AND AUTHORIZATION**

Groups + Add

Users + Add

**DATAENTRY**

Customers + Add

Employees + Add

Students + Add

**EMAILS**

Email trackings + Add

Emails + Add

Lists + Add

Sents + Add

Subscribers + Add

**IMAGE\_COMPRESSION**

Compress images + Add

**UPLOADS**

Uploads + Add

### Change compress image

**commontask\_admin**

User: commontask\_admin ✎ + 👁

**Original img:** Currently: original\_images/flat-500-4322521\_cpqmAlp.jpg  
Change:  No file chosen

**Quality:** 30 ▾

**Compressed img:** Currently: compressed\_images/compressed\_flat-500-4322521\_gFLYuX3.jpg  
Change:  No file chosen

19. To set the image format to any format not just JPEG, we update our VIEWS.PY AS:

```
.. # perform the compression
.. img = Image.open(original_img)
.. # set the image format based on the uploaded image's format
.. output_format = img.format
..
.. buffer = io.BytesIO()
.. img.save(buffer, format=output_format, quality=quality)
.. buffer.seek(0)
.. # save the compressed image inside the model with filename format
```