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# **django-extended-choices Documentation**

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**What is it?**

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Little helper application to improve django choices (for fields)



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## Documentation contents

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### 2.1 django-extended-choices

#### 2.1.1 A little application to improve Django choices

`django-extended-choices` aims to provide a better and more readable way of using choices in Django.

#### 2.1.2 Installation

You can install directly via `pip` (since version 0.3):

```
$ pip install django-extended-choices
```

Or from the [Github](#) repository (master branch by default):

```
$ git clone git://github.com/twidi/django-extended-choices.git
$ cd django-extended-choices
$ sudo python setup.py install
```

#### 2.1.3 Usage

The aim is to replace this:

```
STATE_ONLINE = 1
STATE_DRAFT = 2
STATE_OFFLINE = 3

STATE_CHOICES = (
    (STATE_ONLINE, 'Online'),
    (STATE_DRAFT, 'Draft'),
    (STATE_OFFLINE, 'Offline'),
)

STATE_DICT = dict(STATE_CHOICES)

class Content(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=255)
    content = models.TextField()
    state = models.PositiveSmallIntegerField(choices=STATE_CHOICES, default=STATE_DRAFT)
```

```
def __unicode__(self):
    return u'Content "%s" (state=%s)' % (self.title, STATE_DICT[self.state])

print(Content.objects.filter(state=STATE_ONLINE))
```

by this:

```
from extended_choices import Choices

STATES = Choices(
    ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
    ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
    ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
)

class Content(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=255)
    content = models.TextField()
    state = models.PositiveSmallIntegerField(choices=STATES, default=STATES.DRAFT)

    def __unicode__(self):
        return u'Content "%s" (state=%s)' % (self.title, STATES.for_value(self.state).display)

print(Content.objects.filter(state=STATES.ONLINE))
```

As you can see there is only one declaration for all states with, for each state, in order:

- the pseudo-constant name which can be used (`STATES.ONLINE` replaces the previous `STATE_ONLINE`)
- the value to use in the database - which could equally be a string
- the name to be displayed - and you can wrap the text in `ugettext_lazy()` if you need i18n

And then, you can use:

- `STATES`, or `STATES.choices`, to use with `choices=` in fields declarations
- `STATES.for_constant(constant)`, to get the choice entry from the constant name
- `STATES.for_value(constant)`, to get the choice entry from the key used in database
- `STATES.for_display(constant)`, to get the choice entry from the displayable value (can be useful in some case)

Each choice entry obtained by `for_constant`, `for_value` and `for_display` return a tuple as given to the `Choices` constructor, but with additional attributes:

```
>>> entry = STATES.for_constant('ONLINE')
>>> entry == ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online')
True
>>> entry.constant
'ONLINE'
>>> entry.value
1
>>> entry.display
'Online'
```

These attributes are chainable (with a weird example to see chainability):

```
>>> entry.constant.value
1
```



```
>>> entry.constant.value.value.display.constant.display
'Online'
```

To allow this, we had to remove support for None values. Use empty strings instead.

Note that constants can be accessed via a dict key (STATES['ONLINE'] for example) if you want to fight your IDE that may warn you about undefined attributes.

You can check whether a value is in a Choices object directly:

```
>>> 1 in STATES
True
>>> 42 in STATES
False
```

You can even iterate on a Choices objects to get choices as seen by Django:

```
>>> for choice in STATES:
...     print(choice)
(1, 'Online')
(2, 'Draft')
(3, 'Offline')
```

To get all choice entries as given to the Choices object, you can use the entries attribute:

```
>>> for choice_entry in STATES.entries:
...     print(choice_entry)
('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
```

Or the following dicts, using constants, values or display names, as keys, and the matching choice entry as values:

- STATES.constants
- STATES.values
- STATES.displays

```
>>> STATES.constants['ONLINE'] is STATES.for_constant('ONLINE')
True
>>> STATES.values[2] is STATES.for_value(2)
True
>>> STATES.displays['Offline'] is STATES.for_display('Offline')
True
```

If you want these dicts to be ordered, you can pass the dict class to use to the Choices constructor:

```
from collections import OrderedDict
STATES = Choices(
    ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
    ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
    ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
    dict_class = OrderedDict
)
```

Since version 1.1, the new OrderedChoices class is provided, that is exactly that: a Choices using OrderedDict by default for dict\_class.

You can check if a constant, value, or display name exists:

```
>>> STATES.has_constant('ONLINE')
True
>>> STATES.has_value(1)
True
>>> STATES.has_display('Online')
True
```

You can create subsets of choices within the same Choices instance:

```
>>> STATES.add_subset('NOT_ONLINE', ('DRAFT', 'OFFLINE',))
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE
(2, 'Draft')
(3, 'Offline')
```

Now, `STATES.NOT_ONLINE` is a real Choices instance, with a subset of the main `STATES` constants.

You can use it to generate choices for when you only want a subset of choices available:

```
offline_state = models.PositiveSmallIntegerField(
    choices=STATES.NOT_ONLINE,
    default=STATES.DRAFT
)
```

As the subset is a real Choices instance, you have the same attributes and methods:

```
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.for_constant('OFFLINE').value
3
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.for_value(1).constant
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
KeyError: 3
>>> list(STATES.NOT_ONLINE.constants.keys())
['DRAFT', 'OFFLINE']
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.has_display('Online')
False
```

You can create as many subsets as you want, reusing the same constants if needed:

```
STATES.add_subset('NOT_OFFLINE', ('ONLINE', 'DRAFT'))
```

If you want to check membership in a subset you could do:

```
def is_online(self):
    # it's an example, we could have just tested with STATES.ONLINE
    return self.state not in STATES.NOT_ONLINE_DICT
```

You can add choice entries in many steps using `add_choices`, possibly creating subsets at the same time.

To construct the same Choices as before, we could have done:

```
STATES = Choices()
STATES.add_choices(
    ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online')
)
STATES.add_choices(
    ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
    ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
    name='NOT_ONLINE'
)
```

You can also pass the argument to the Choices constructor to create a subset with all the choices entries added at the same time (it will call `add_choices` with the name and the entries)

The list of existing subset names is in the `subsets` attributes of the parent `Choices` object.

If you want a subset of the choices but not save it in the original `Choices` object, you can use `extract_subset` instead of `add_subset`

```
>>> subset = STATES.extract_subset('DRAFT', 'OFFLINE')
>>> subset
(2, 'Draft')
(3, 'Offline')
```

As for a subset created by `add_subset`, you have a real `Choices` object, but not accessible from the original `Choices` object.

Note that in `extract_subset`, you pass the strings directly, not in a list/tuple as for the second argument of `add_subset`.

## 2.1.4 Notes

- You also have a very basic field (`NamedExtendedChoiceFormField`) in `extended_choices.fields` which accept constant names instead of values
- Feel free to read the source to learn more about this little Django app.
- You can declare your choices where you want. My usage is in the `models.py` file, just before the class declaration.

## 2.1.5 Compatibility

The version 1.0 provided a totally new API, and compatibility with the previous one (0.4.1) was removed in 1.1. The last version with the compatibility was 1.0.7.

If you need this compatibility, you can use a specific version by pinning it in your requirements.

## 2.1.6 License

Available under the [BSD License](#). See the `LICENSE` file included

## 2.1.7 Python 3?

Of course! We support python 2.6, 2.7, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5, for Django version 1.5.x to 1.10.x, respecting the [Django matrix](#) (except for python 2.5 and 3.2 which are not supported by `django-extended-choices`)

## 2.1.8 Tests

To run tests from the code source, create a virtualenv or activate one, install Django, then:

```
python -m extended_choices.tests
```

We also provides some quick doctests in the code documentation. To execute them:

```
python -m extended_choices.choices
```

Note: the doctests will work only in python version not display `u` prefix for strings.

### 2.1.9 Source code

The source code is available on [Github](#).

### 2.1.10 Developing

If you want to participate in the development of this library, you'll need Django installed in your virtualenv. If you don't have it, simply run:

```
pip install -r requirements-dev.txt
```

Don't forget to run the tests ;)

Feel free to propose a pull request on [Github](#)!

A few minutes after your pull request, tests will be executed on [TravisCi](#) for all the versions of python and Django we support.

### 2.1.11 Documentation

You can find the documentation on [ReadTheDoc](#)

To update the documentation, you'll need some tools:

```
pip install -r requirements-makedoc.txt
```

Then go to the docs directory, and run:

```
make html
```

### 2.1.12 Author

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## 2.2 extended\_choices.choices module

Provides a Choices class to help using "choices" in Django fields.

The aim is to replace:

```
STATE_ONLINE = 1
STATE_DRAFT = 2
STATE_OFFLINE = 3

STATE_CHOICES = (
    (STATE_ONLINE, 'Online'),
    (STATE_DRAFT, 'Draft'),
    (STATE_OFFLINE, 'Offline'),
)

STATE_DICT = dict(STATE_CHOICES)

class Content(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=255)
```

```

content = models.TextField()
state = models.PositiveSmallIntegerField(choices=STATE_CHOICES, default=STATE_DRAFT)

def __unicode__(self):
    return 'Content "%s" (state=%s)' % (self.title, STATE_DICT[self.state])

print(Content.objects.filter(state=STATE_ONLINE))

```

By this:

```

from extended_choices import Choices

STATES = Choices(
    ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
    ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
    ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
)

class Content(models.Model):
    title = models.CharField(max_length=255)
    content = models.TextField()
    state = models.PositiveSmallIntegerField(choices=STATES, default=STATES.DRAFT)

    def __unicode__(self):
        return 'Content "%s" (state=%s)' % (self.title, STATES.for_value(self.state).display)

print(Content.objects.filter(state=STATES.ONLINE))

```

## Notes

The documentation format in this file is `numpydoc`.

**class** `extended_choices.choices.Choices` (\*choices, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: `list`

Helper class for choices fields in Django

A choice entry has three representation: constant name, value and display name). So `Choices` takes list of such tuples.

It's easy to get the constant, value or display name given one of these value. See in example.

### Parameters

- **\*choices** (*list of tuples*) – It's the list of tuples to add to the `Choices` instance, each tuple having three entries: the constant name, the value, the display name.

A dict could be added as a 4th entry in the tuple to allow setting arbitrary arguments to the final `ChoiceEntry` created for this choice tuple.

- **name** (*string, optional*) – If set, a subset will be created containing all the constants. It could be used if you construct your `Choices` instance with many calls to `add_choices`.
- **dict\_class** (*type, optional*) – dict by default, it's the dict class to use to create dictionaries (constants, values and displays. Could be set for example to `OrderedDict` (you can use `OrderedChoices` that is a simple subclass using `OrderedDict`).

## Example

Start by declaring your Choices:

```
>>> ALIGNMENTS = Choices(
...     ('BAD', 10, 'bad'),
...     ('NEUTRAL', 20, 'neutral'),
...     ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', 30, 'chaotic good'),
...     ('GOOD', 40, 'good'),
...     dict_class=OrderedDict
... )
```

Then you can use it in a django field, Notice its usage in choices and default:

```
>>> from django.conf import settings
>>> try:
...     settings.configure(DATABASE_ENGINE='sqlite3')
... except: pass
>>> from django.db.models import IntegerField
>>> field = IntegerField(choices=ALIGNMENTS, # use ``ALIGNMENTS`` or ``ALIGNMENTS.choices``.
...                       default=ALIGNMENTS.NEUTRAL)
```

The Choices returns a list as expected by django:

```
>>> ALIGNMENTS == ((10, 'bad'), (20, 'neutral'), (30, 'chaotic good'), (40, 'good'))
True
```

But represents it with the constants:

```
>>> repr(ALIGNMENTS)
"[(('BAD', 10, 'bad'), ('NEUTRAL', 20, 'neutral'), ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', 30, 'chaotic good'), ('GOOD',
```

Use choices which is a simple list to represent it as such:

```
>>> ALIGNMENTS.choices
((10, 'bad'), (20, 'neutral'), (30, 'chaotic good'), (40, 'good'))
```

And you can access value by their constant, or as you want:

```
>>> ALIGNMENTS.BAD
10
>>> ALIGNMENTS.BAD.display
'bad'
>>> 40 in ALIGNMENTS
True
>>> ALIGNMENTS.has_constant('BAD')
True
>>> ALIGNMENTS.has_value(20)
True
>>> ALIGNMENTS.has_display('good')
True
>>> ALIGNMENTS.for_value(10)
('BAD', 10, 'bad')
>>> ALIGNMENTS.for_value(10).constant
'BAD'
>>> ALIGNMENTS.for_display('good').value
40
>>> ALIGNMENTS.for_constant('NEUTRAL').display
'neutral'
>>> ALIGNMENTS.constants
```

```
OrderedDict([('BAD', ('BAD', 10, 'bad')), ('NEUTRAL', ('NEUTRAL', 20, 'neutral')), ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', 30, 'chaotic good'))])
>>> ALIGNMENTS.values
OrderedDict([(10, ('BAD', 10, 'bad')), (20, ('NEUTRAL', 20, 'neutral')), (30, ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', 30, 'chaotic good'))])
>>> ALIGNMENTS.displays
OrderedDict([('bad', ('BAD', 10, 'bad')), ('neutral', ('NEUTRAL', 20, 'neutral')), ('chaotic good', ('CHAOTIC_GOOD', 30, 'chaotic good'))])
```

You can create subsets of choices:

```
>>> ALIGNMENTS.add_subset('WESTERN', ('BAD', 'GOOD'))
>>> ALIGNMENTS.WESTERN.choices
((10, 'bad'), (40, 'good'))
>>> ALIGNMENTS.BAD in ALIGNMENTS.WESTERN
True
>>> ALIGNMENTS.NEUTRAL in ALIGNMENTS.WESTERN
False
```

To use it in another field (only the values in the subset will be available), or for checks:

```
>>> def is_western(value):
...     return value in ALIGNMENTS.WESTERN
>>> is_western(40)
True
```

### ChoiceEntryClass

alias of ChoiceEntry

### add\_choices(\*choices, \*\*kwargs)

Add some choices to the current Choices instance.

The given choices will be added to the existing choices. If a name attribute is passed, a new subset will be created with all the given choices.

Note that it's not possible to add new choices to a subset.

#### Parameters

- **\*choices** (*list of tuples*)—It's the list of tuples to add to the Choices instance, each tuple having three entries: the constant name, the value, the display name.

A dict could be added as a 4th entry in the tuple to allow setting arbitrary arguments to the final ChoiceEntry created for this choice tuple.

If the first entry of \*choices is a string, then it will be used as a name for a new subset that will contain all the given choices.

- **\*\*kwargs** (*dict*)—

**name** [string] Instead of using the first entry of the \*choices to pass a name of a subset to create, you can pass it via the name named argument.

### Example

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices()
>>> MY_CHOICES.add_choices(('ZERO', 0, 'zero'))
>>> MY_CHOICES
[('ZERO', 0, 'zero')]
>>> MY_CHOICES.add_choices('SMALL', ('ONE', 1, 'one'), ('TWO', 2, 'two'))
>>> MY_CHOICES
[('ZERO', 0, 'zero'), ('ONE', 1, 'one'), ('TWO', 2, 'two')]
>>> MY_CHOICES.SMALL
```

```
[('ONE', 1, 'one'), ('TWO', 2, 'two')]
>>> MY_CHOICES.add_choices(('THREE', 3, 'three'), ('FOUR', 4, 'four'), name='BIG')
>>> MY_CHOICES
[('ZERO', 0, 'zero'), ('ONE', 1, 'one'), ('TWO', 2, 'two'), ('THREE', 3, 'three'), ('FOUR',
>>> MY_CHOICES.BIG
[('THREE', 3, 'three'), ('FOUR', 4, 'four')]
```

### Raises

- `RuntimeError` – When the `Choices` instance is marked as not mutable, which is the case for subsets.
- `ValueError` – \* if the subset name is defined as first argument and as named argument. \* if some constants have the same name or the same value. \* if at least one constant or value already exists in the instance.

### `add_subset` (*name, constants*)

Add a subset of entries under a defined name.

This allow to defined a “sub choice” if a django field need to not have the whole choice available.

The sub-choice is a new `Choices` instance, with only the wanted the constant from the main `Choices` (each “choice entry” in the subset is shared from the main `Choices`) The sub-choice is accessible from the main `Choices` by an attribute having the given name.

### Parameters

- **name** (*string*) – Name of the attribute that will old the new `Choices` instance.
- **constants** (*list or tuple*) – List of the constants name of this `Choices` object to make available in the subset.

**Returns** The newly created subset, which is a `Choices` object

**Return type** *Choices*

### Example

```
>>> STATES = Choices(
...     ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
...     ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
...     ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
... )
>>> STATES
[('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'), ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'), ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline')]
>>> STATES.add_subset('NOT_ONLINE', ('DRAFT', 'OFFLINE',))
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE
[('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'), ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline')]
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.DRAFT
2
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.for_constant('DRAFT') is STATES.for_constant('DRAFT')
True
>>> STATES.NOT_ONLINE.ONLINE
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AttributeError: 'Choices' object has no attribute 'ONLINE'
```



**Raises** `ValueError` – \* If name is already an attribute of the `Choices` instance. \* If a constant is not defined as a constant in the `Choices` instance.

### choices

Property that returns a tuple formatted as expected by Django.

### Example

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.choices
((1, 'foo'), (2, 'bar'))
```

### extract\_subset (\*constants)

Create a subset of entries

This subset is a new `Choices` instance, with only the wanted constants from the main `Choices` (each “choice entry” in the subset is shared from the main `Choices`)

**Parameters** `*constants` (*list*) – The constants names of this `Choices` object to make available in the subset.

**Returns** The newly created subset, which is a `Choices` object

**Return type** `Choices`

### Example

```
>>> STATES = Choices(
...     ('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'),
...     ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'),
...     ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline'),
... )
>>> STATES
[('ONLINE', 1, 'Online'), ('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'), ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline')]
>>> subset = STATES.extract_subset('DRAFT', 'OFFLINE')
>>> subset
[('DRAFT', 2, 'Draft'), ('OFFLINE', 3, 'Offline')]
>>> subset.DRAFT
2
>>> subset.for_constant('DRAFT') is STATES.for_constant('DRAFT')
True
>>> subset.ONLINE
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AttributeError: 'Choices' object has no attribute 'ONLINE'
```

**Raises** `ValueError` – If a constant is not defined as a constant in the `Choices` instance.

### for\_constant (constant)

Returns the `ChoiceEntry` for the given constant.

**Parameters** `constant` (*string*) – Name of the constant for which we want the choice entry.

**Returns** The instance of `ChoiceEntry` for the given constant.

**Return type** `ChoiceEntry`

**Raises** `KeyError` – If the constant is not an existing one.

#### Example

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_constant('FOO')
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_constant('FOO').value
1
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_constant('QUX')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
KeyError: 'QUX'
```

#### **for\_display** (*display*)

Returns the `ChoiceEntry` for the given display name.

**Parameters** **display** (*string*) – Display name for which we want the choice entry.

**Returns** The instance of `ChoiceEntry` for the given display name.

**Return type** `ChoiceEntry`

**Raises** `KeyError` – If the display name is not an existing one.

#### Example

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_display('foo')
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_display('foo').constant
'FOO'
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_display('qux')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
KeyError: 'qux'
```

#### **for\_value** (*value*)

Returns the `ChoiceEntry` for the given value.

**Parameters** **value** – Value for which we want the choice entry.

**Returns** The instance of `ChoiceEntry` for the given value.

**Return type** `ChoiceEntry`

**Raises** `KeyError` – If the value is not an existing one.

#### Example

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_value(1)
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_value(1).display
'foo'
>>> MY_CHOICES.for_value(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
KeyError: 3
```

**has\_constant** (*constant*)

Check if the current Choices object has the given constant.

**Parameters** **constant** (*string*) – Name of the constant we want to check..

**Returns** True if the constant is present, False otherwise.

**Return type** boolean

**Example**

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_constant('FOO')
True
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_constant('QUX')
False
```

**has\_display** (*display*)

Check if the current Choices object has the given display name.

**Parameters** **display** (*string*) – Display name we want to check..

**Returns** True if the display name is present, False otherwise.

**Return type** boolean

**Example**

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_display('foo')
True
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_display('qux')
False
```

**has\_value** (*value*)

Check if the current Choices object has the given value.

**Parameters** **value** – Value we want to check.

**Returns** True if the value is present, False otherwise.

**Return type** boolean

**Example**

```
>>> MY_CHOICES = Choices(('FOO', 1, 'foo'), ('BAR', 2, 'bar'))
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_value(1)
True
>>> MY_CHOICES.has_value(3)
False
```

## 2.3 extended\_choices.fields module

Provides a form field for django to use constants instead of values as available values.

### Notes

The documentation format in this file is `numpydoc`.

```
class extended_choices.fields.NamedExtendedChoiceFormField(choices,           *args,
                                                         **kwargs)
```

Bases: `django.forms.fields.Field`

Field to use with choices where values are constant names instead of choice values.

Should not be very useful in normal HTML form, but if API validation is done via a form, it will to have more readable constants in the API that values

```
to_python (value)
    Convert the constant to the real choice value.
```

## 2.4 extended\_choices.helpers module

Provides classes used to construct a full Choices instance.

### Notes

The documentation format in this file is `numpydoc`.

```
class extended_choices.helpers.ChoiceAttributeMixin(value, choice_entry)
```

Bases: `future.types.newobject.newobject`

Base class to represent an attribute of a ChoiceEntry.

Used for `constant`, `name`, and `display`.

It must be used as a mixin with another type, and the final class will be a type with added attributes to access the ChoiceEntry instance and its attributes.

```
choice_entry
    instance of ChoiceEntry – The ChoiceEntry instance that hold the current value, used to access its
    constant, value and display name.
```

```
constant
    property – Returns the choice field holding the constant of the attached ChoiceEntry.
```

```
value
    property – Returns the choice field holding the value of the attached ChoiceEntry.
```

```
display
    property – Returns the choice field holding the display name of the attached ChoiceEntry.
```

```
original_value
    ? – The value used to create the current instance.
```

```
creator_type
    type – The class that created a new class. Will be ChoiceAttributeMixin except if it was overridden
    by the author.
```

## Example

Classes can be created manually:

```
>>> class IntChoiceAttribute(ChoiceAttributeMixin, int): pass
>>> field = IntChoiceAttribute(1, ChoiceEntry(('FOO', 1, 'foo')))
>>> field
1
>>> field.constant, field.value, field.display
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> field.choice_entry
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
```

Or via the `get_class_for_value` class method:

```
>>> klass = ChoiceAttributeMixin.get_class_for_value(1.5)
>>> klass.__name__
'FloatChoiceAttribute'
>>> float in klass.mro()
True
```

### constant

Property that returns the `constant` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

### display

Property that returns the `display` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

### classmethod `get_class_for_value` (*value*)

Class method to construct a class based on this mixin and the type of the given value.

**Parameters** `value` – The value from which to extract the type to create the new class.

### Notes

The create classes are cached (in `cls.__classes_by_type`) to avoid recreating already created classes.

### value

Property that returns the `value` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

### class `extended_choices.helpers.ChoiceEntry`

Bases: `tuple`

Represents a choice in a `Choices` object, with easy access to its attribute.

Expecting a tuple with three entries. (constant, value, display name), it will add three attributes to access then: `constant`, `value` and `display`.

By passing a dict after these three first entries, in the tuple, it's also possible to add some other attributes to the `ChoiceEntry` instance.

**Parameters** `tuple` (*tuple*) – A tuple with three entries, the name of the constant, the value, and the display name. A dict could be added as a fourth entry to add additional attributes.

## Example

```
>>> entry = ChoiceEntry(('FOO', 1, 'foo'))
>>> entry
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> (entry.constant, entry.value, entry.display)
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> entry.choice
(1, 'foo')
```

You can also pass attributes to add to the instance to create:

```
>>> entry = ChoiceEntry(('FOO', 1, 'foo', {'bar': 1, 'baz': 2}))
>>> entry
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> entry.bar
1
>>> entry.baz
2
```

**Raises** `AssertionError` – If the number of entries in the tuple is not expected. Must be 3 or 4.

**class** `ChoiceAttributeMixin` (*value*, *choice\_entry*)

Bases: `future.types.newobject.newobject`

Base class to represent an attribute of a `ChoiceEntry`.

Used for `constant`, `name`, and `display`.

It must be used as a mixin with another type, and the final class will be a type with added attributes to access the `ChoiceEntry` instance and its attributes.

**choice\_entry**

instance of `ChoiceEntry` – The `ChoiceEntry` instance that hold the current value, used to access its constant, value and display name.

**constant**

*property* – Returns the choice field holding the constant of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

**value**

*property* – Returns the choice field holding the value of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

**display**

*property* – Returns the choice field holding the display name of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

**original\_value**

? – The value used to create the current instance.

**creator\_type**

*type* – The class that created a new class. Will be `ChoiceAttributeMixin` except if it was overridden by the author.

## Example

Classes can be created manually:

```
>>> class IntChoiceAttribute(ChoiceAttributeMixin, int): pass
>>> field = IntChoiceAttribute(1, ChoiceEntry(('FOO', 1, 'foo')))
>>> field
1
>>> field.constant, field.value, field.display
```

```
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
>>> field.choice_entry
('FOO', 1, 'foo')
```

Or via the `get_class_for_value` class method:

```
>>> klass = ChoiceAttributeMixin.get_class_for_value(1.5)
>>> klass.__name__
'FloatChoiceAttribute'
>>> float in klass.mro()
True
```

#### constant

Property that returns the `constant` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

#### display

Property that returns the `display` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

#### classmethod `get_class_for_value` (*value*)

Class method to construct a class based on this mixin and the type of the given value.

**Parameters** `value` – The value from which to extract the type to create the new class.

#### Notes

The create classes are cached (in `cls.__classes_by_type`) to avoid recreating already created classes.

#### value

Property that returns the `value` attribute of the attached `ChoiceEntry`.

`extended_choices.helpers.create_choice_attribute` (*creator\_type*, *value*, *choice\_entry*)

Create an instance of a subclass of `ChoiceAttributeMixin` for the given value.

#### Parameters

- **creator\_type** (*type*) – `ChoiceAttributeMixin` or a subclass, from which we'll call the `get_class_for_value` class-method.
- **value** – The value for which we want to create an instance of a new subclass of `creator_type`.
- **choice\_entry** (`ChoiceEntry`) – The `ChoiceEntry` instance that hold the current value, used to access its constant, value and display name.

**Returns** An instance of a subclass of `creator_type` for the given value

**Return type** `ChoiceAttributeMixin`





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