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# **marshmallow-jsonapi**

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JSON API 1.0 (<https://jsonapi.org>) formatting with marshmallow.

marshmallow-jsonapi provides a simple way to produce JSON API-compliant data in any Python web framework.

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    author = fields.Relationship(
        related_url='/authors/{author_id}',
        related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
    )

    comments = fields.Relationship(
        related_url='/posts/{post_id}/comments',
        related_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        # Include resource linkage
        many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='comments'
    )

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'posts'
        strict = True

post_schema = PostSchema()
post_schema.dump(post).data
# {
#   "data": {
#     "id": "1",
#     "type": "posts"
#     "attributes": {
#       "title": "JSON API paints my bikeshed!"
#     },
#     "relationships": {
#       "author": {
#         "links": {
#           "related": "/authors/9"
#         }
#       },
#       "comments": {
#         "data": [
#           {"id": 5, "type": "comments"},
#           {"id": 12, "type": "comments"}
#         ],
#         "links": {
#           "related": "/posts/1/comments/"
#         }
#       }
#     },
#   },
# }
```



# CHAPTER 1

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## Installation

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```
pip install marshmallow-jsonapi
```





## 2.1 Quickstart

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**Note:** The following guide assumes some familiarity with the marshmallow API. To learn more about marshmallow, see its official documentation at <https://marshmallow.readthedocs.io>.

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### 2.1.1 Declaring schemas

Let's start with a basic post "model".

```
class Post:
    def __init__(self, id, title):
        self.id = id
        self.title = title
```

Declare your schemas as you would with marshmallow.

A *Schema* **MUST** define:

- An `id` field
- The `type_` class Meta option

It is **RECOMMENDED** to set strict mode to `True`.

Automatic self-linking is supported through these Meta options:

- `self_url` specifies the URL to the resource itself
- `self_url_kwargs` specifies replacement fields for `self_url`
- `self_url_many` specifies the URL the resource when a collection (many) are serialized

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'posts'
        self_url = '/posts/{id}'
        self_url_kwargs = {'id': '<id>'}
        self_url_many = '/posts/'
        strict = True
```

These URLs can be auto-generated by specifying `self_view`, `self_view_kwargs` and `self_view_many` instead when using the *Flask integration*.

## 2.1.2 Serialization

Objects will be serialized to JSON API documents with primary data.

```
post = Post(id='1', title='Django is Omakase')
PostSchema().dump(post)
# {
#   'data': {
#     'id': '1',
#     'type': 'posts',
#     'attributes': {'title': 'Django is Omakase'},
#     'links': {'self': '/posts/1'}
#   },
#   'links': {'self': '/posts/1'}
# }
```

## 2.1.3 Relationships

The `Relationship` field is used to serialize relationship objects. For example, a `Post` may have an `author` and `comments` associated with it.

```
class User:
    def __init__(self, id, name):
        self.id = id
        self.name = name

class Comment:
    def __init__(self, id, body, author):
        self.id = id
        self.body = body
        self.author = author

class Post:
    def __init__(self, id, title, author, comments=None):
        self.id = id
        self.title = title
        self.author = author # User object
        self.comments = [] if comments is None else comments # Comment objects
```

To serialize links, pass a URL format string and a dictionary of keyword arguments. String arguments enclosed in `<` `>` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the object being serialized. The relationship links can automatically be generated from Flask view names when using the *Flask integration*.

```
class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    author = fields.Relationship(
        self_url='/posts/{post_id}/relationships/author',
        self_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        related_url='/authors/{author_id}',
        related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'}
    )

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'posts'
        strict = True

user = User(id='94', name='Laura')
post = Post(id='1', title='Django is Omakase', author=user)
PostSchema().dump(post)
# {
#   'data': {
#     'id': '1',
#     'type': 'posts',
#     'attributes': {'title': 'Django is Omakase'},
#     'relationships': {
#       'author': {
#         'links': {
#           'self': '/posts/1/relationships/author',
#           'related': '/authors/94'
#         }
#       }
#     }
#   }
# }
```

## Resource linkages

You can serialize resource linkages by passing `include_resource_linkage=True` and the resource `type_` argument.

```
class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    author = fields.Relationship(
        self_url='/posts/{post_id}/relationships/author',
        self_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        related_url='/authors/{author_id}',
        related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
        # Include resource linkage
        include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='users'
    )
```

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```

class Meta:
    type_ = 'posts'
    strict = True

PostSchema().dump(post)
# {
#   'data': {
#     'id': '1',
#     'type': 'posts',
#     'attributes': {'title': 'Django is Omakase'},
#     'relationships': {
#       'author': {
#         'data': {'type': 'users', 'id': '94'},
#         'links': {
#           'self': '/posts/1/relationships/author',
#           'related': '/authors/94'
#         }
#       }
#     }
#   }
# }

```

## Compound documents

Compound documents allow to include related resources into the request with the primary resource. In order to include objects, you have to define a *Schema* for the respective relationship, which will be used to render those objects.

```

class PostSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    comments = fields.Relationship(
        related_url='/posts/{post_id}/comments',
        related_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='comments',
        # define a schema for rendering included data
        schema='CommentSchema'
    )

    author = fields.Relationship(
        self_url='/posts/{post_id}/relationships/author',
        self_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        related_url='/authors/{author_id}',
        related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
        include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='users'
    )

class Meta:
    type_ = 'posts'
    strict = True

class CommentSchema (Schema):

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```

id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
body = fields.Str()

author = fields.Relationship(
    self_url='/comments/{comment_id}/relationships/author',
    self_url_kwargs={'comment_id': '<id>'},
    related_url='/comments/{author_id}',
    related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
    type_='users',
    # define a schema for rendering included data
    schema='UserSchema',
)

class Meta:
    type_ = 'comments'
    strict = True

class UserSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    name = fields.Str()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'users'
        strict = True

```

Just as with nested fields the schema can be a class or a string with a simple or fully qualified class name. Make sure to import the schema beforehand.

Now you can include some data in a dump by specifying the `include_data` argument (also supports nested relations via the dot syntax).

```

armin = User(id='101', name='Armin')
laura = User(id='94', name='Laura')
steven = User(id='23', name='Steven')
comments = [Comment(id='5', body='Marshmallow is sweet like sugar!', author=steven),
            Comment(id='12', body='Flask is Fun!', author=armin)]
post = Post(id='1', title='Django is Omakase', author=laura, comments=comments)

PostSchema(include_data=('comments', 'comments.author')).dump(post)
# {
#   'data': {
#     'id': '1',
#     'type': 'posts',
#     'attributes': {'title': 'Django is Omakase'},
#     'relationships': {
#       'author': {
#         'data': {'type': 'users', 'id': '94'},
#         'links': {
#           'self': '/posts/1/relationships/author',
#           'related': '/authors/94'
#         }
#       }
#     },
#     'comments': {
#       'data': [
#         {'type': 'comments', 'id': '5'},
#         {'type': 'comments', 'id': '12'}
#       ]
#     }
#   }
# }

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```

#         'links': {
#             'related': '/posts/1/comments'
#         }
#     }
# },
# 'included': [
#     {
#         'id': '5',
#         'type': 'comments',
#         'attributes': {'body': 'Marshmallow is sweet like sugar!'},
#         'relationships': {
#             'author': {
#                 'data': {'type': 'users', 'id': '23'},
#                 'links': {
#                     'self': '/comments/5/relationships/author',
#                     'related': '/comments/23'
#                 }
#             }
#         }
#     },
#     {
#         'id': '12',
#         'type': 'comments',
#         'attributes': {'body': 'Flask is Fun!'},
#         'relationships': {
#             'author': {
#                 'data': {'type': 'users', 'id': '101'},
#                 'links': {
#                     'self': '/comments/12/relationships/author',
#                     'related': '/comments/101'
#                 }
#             }
#         }
#     },
#     {
#         'id': '23',
#         'type': 'users',
#         'attributes': {'name': 'Steven'}
#     },
#     {
#         'id': '101',
#         'type': 'users',
#         'attributes': {'name': 'Armin'}
#     }
# ]
# }

```

## 2.1.4 Meta Information

The `DocumentMeta` field is used to serialize the meta object within a document's "top level".

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields
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```

class UserSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    name = fields.Str()
    document_meta = fields.DocumentMeta()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'users'
        strict = True

user = {'name': 'Alice', 'document_meta': {'page': {'offset': 10}}}
UserSchema().dump(user)
# {
#   "meta": {
#     "page": {
#       "offset": 10
#     }
#   },
#   "data": {
#     "id": "1",
#     "type": "users"
#     "attributes": {"name": "Alice"},
#   }
# }

```

The *ResourceMeta* field is used to serialize the meta object within a resource object.

```

from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class UserSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    name = fields.Str()
    resource_meta = fields.ResourceMeta()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'users'
        strict = True

user = {'name': 'Alice', 'resource_meta': {'active': True}}
UserSchema().dump(user)
# {
#   "data": {
#     "type": "users",
#     "attributes": {"name": "Alice"},
#     "meta": {
#       "active": true
#     }
#   }
# }

```

## 2.1.5 Errors

`Schema.load()` and `Schema.validate()` will return JSON API-formatted `Error` objects.

```

from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields
from marshmallow import validate, ValidationError

```

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```

class AuthorSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    first_name = fields.Str(required=True)
    last_name = fields.Str(required=True)
    password = fields.Str(load_only=True, validate=validate.Length(6))
    twitter = fields.Str()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'authors'
        strict = True

author_data = {
    'data': {
        'type': 'users',
        'attributes': {
            'first_name': 'Dan',
            'password': 'short'
        }
    }
}

AuthorSchema().validate(author_data)
# {
#   'errors': [
#     {
#       'detail': 'Missing data for required field.',
#       'source': {
#         'pointer': '/data/attributes/last_name'
#       }
#     },
#     {
#       'detail': 'Shorter than minimum length 6.',
#       'source': {
#         'pointer': '/data/attributes/password'
#       }
#     }
#   ]
# }

```

If an invalid “type” is passed in the input data, an *IncorrectTypeError* is raised.

```

from marshmallow_jsonapi.exceptions import IncorrectTypeError

author_data = {
    'data': {
        'type': 'invalid-type',
        'attributes': {
            'first_name': 'Dan',
            'last_name': 'Gebhardt',
            'password': 'verysecure'
        }
    }
}

try:
    AuthorSchema().validate(author_data)
except IncorrectTypeError as err:

```

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```

pprint(err.messages)
# {
#   'errors': [
#     {
#       'detail': 'Invalid type. Expected "users."',
#       'source': {
#         'pointer': '/data/type'
#       }
#     }
#   ]
# }

```

## 2.1.6 Inflection

You can optionally specify a function to transform attribute names. For example, you may decide to follow JSON API's recommendation to use “dasherized” names.

```

from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

def dasherize(text):
    return text.replace('_', '-')

class UserSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    first_name = fields.Str(required=True)
    last_name = fields.Str(required=True)

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'users'
        inflect = dasherize

UserSchema().dump(user)
# {
#   'data': {
#     'id': '9',
#     'type': 'users',
#     'attributes': {
#       'first-name': 'Dan',
#       'last-name': 'Gebhardt'
#     }
#   }
# }

```

## 2.1.7 Flask integration

marshmallow-jsonapi includes optional utilities to integrate with Flask.

A Flask-specific schema in `marshmallow_jsonapi.flask` can be used to auto-generate self-links based on view names instead of hard-coding URLs.

Additionally, the `Relationship` field in the `marshmallow_jsonapi.flask` module allows you to pass view names instead of path templates to generate relationship links.

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import fields
from marshmallow_jsonapi.flask import Relationship, Schema

class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True)
    title = fields.Str()

    author = fields.Relationship(
        self_view='post_author',
        self_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        related_view='author_detail',
        related_view_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'}
    )

    comments = Relationship(
        related_view='post_comments',
        related_view_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='comments'
    )

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'posts'
        self_view = 'post_detail'
        self_view_kwargs = {'post_detail': '<id>'}
        self_view_many = 'posts_list'
```

See [here](#) for a full example.

## 3.1 API Reference

### 3.1.1 Core

**class** `marshmallow_jsonapi.Schema` (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Schema class that formats data according to JSON API 1.0. Must define the `type_class` Meta option.

Example:

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

def dasherize(text):
    return text.replace('_', '-')

class PostSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.Str(dump_only=True) # Required
    title = fields.Str()

    author = fields.HyperlinkRelated(
        '/authors/{author_id}',
        url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
    )

    comments = fields.HyperlinkRelated(
        '/posts/{post_id}/comments',
        url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
        # Include resource linkage
        many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
        type_='comments'
    )

class Meta:
```

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```

type_ = 'posts' # Required
inflect = dasherize

```

**class Meta**

Options object for *Schema*. Takes the same options as `marshmallow.Schema.Meta` with the addition of:

- `type_` - required, the JSON API resource type as a string.
- `inflect` - optional, an inflection function to modify attribute names.
- `self_url` - optional, URL to use to `self` in links
- `self_url_kwargs` - optional, replacement fields for `self_url`. String arguments enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the schema data.
- `self_url_many` - optional, URL to use to `self` in top-level links when a collection of resources is returned.

**check\_relations** (*relations*)

Recursive function which checks if a relation is valid.

**format\_error** (*field\_name, message, index=None*)

Override-able hook to format a single error message as an Error object.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#error-objects>

**format\_errors** (*errors, many*)

Format validation errors as JSON Error objects.

**format\_item** (*item*)

Format a single datum as a Resource object.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-objects>

**format\_items** (*data, many*)

Format data as a Resource object or list of Resource objects.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-objects>

**format\_json\_api\_response** (*data, many*)

Post-dump hook that formats serialized data as a top-level JSON API object.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-top-level>

**generate\_url** (*link, \*\*kwargs*)

Generate URL with any kwargs interpolated.

**get\_resource\_links** (*item*)

Hook for adding links to a resource object.

**get\_top\_level\_links** (*data, many*)

Hook for adding links to the root of the response data.

**inflect** (*text*)

Inflect `text` if the `inflect` class Meta option is defined, otherwise do nothing.

**on\_bind\_field** (*field\_name, field\_obj*)

Schema hook override. When binding fields, set `data_key` (on marshmallow 3) or `load_from` (on marshmallow 2) to the inflected form of `field_name`.

**wrap\_response** (*data, many*)

Wrap data and links according to the JSON API

### 3.1.2 Fields

Includes all the fields classes from `marshmallow.fields` as well as fields for serializing JSON API-formatted hyperlinks.

```
class marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.BaseRelationship (default=<marshmallow.missing>,
                                                    attribute=None, data_key=None,
                                                    error=None, validate=None,
                                                    required=False,
                                                    allow_none=None, load_only=False,
                                                    dump_only=False, missing=
                                                    <marshmallow.missing>,
                                                    error_messages=None, **meta-
                                                    data)
```

Base relationship field.

This is used by `marshmallow_jsonapi.Schema` to determine which fields should be formatted as relationship objects.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-object-relationships>

```
class marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.DocumentMeta (**kwargs)
Field which serializes to a “meta object” within a document’s “top level”.
```

Examples:

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class UserSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.String()
    metadata = fields.DocumentMeta()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'product'
        strict = True
```

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-meta>

```
class marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.Meta (**kwargs)
Field which serializes to a “meta object” within a document’s “top level”.
```

Deprecated since version 0.18.0: Use `DocumentMeta` instead.

Examples:

```
from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class UserSchema (Schema):
    id = fields.String()
    metadata = fields.Meta()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'product'
        strict = True
```

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-meta>

```
class marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.Relationship(related_url="", related_url_kwargs=None, self_url="", self_url_kwargs=None, include_resource_linkage=False, schema=None, many=False, type_=None, id_field=None, **kwargs)
```

Framework-independent field which serializes to a “relationship object”.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-object-relationships>

Examples:

```
author = Relationship(
    related_url='/authors/{author_id}',
    related_url_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
)

comments = Relationship(
    related_url='/posts/{post_id}/comments/',
    related_url_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
    many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
    type_='comments'
)
```

This field is read-only by default.

#### Parameters

- **related\_url** (*str*) – Format string for related resource links.
- **related\_url\_kwargs** (*dict*) – Replacement fields for `related_url`. String arguments enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the target object.
- **self\_url** (*str*) – Format string for self relationship links.
- **self\_url\_kwargs** (*dict*) – Replacement fields for `self_url`. String arguments enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the target object.
- **include\_resource\_linkage** (*bool*) – Whether to include a resource linkage (<http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-object-linkage>) in the serialized result.
- **schema** (`marshmallow_jsonapi.Schema`) – The schema to render the included data with.
- **many** (*bool*) – Whether the relationship represents a many-to-one or many-to-many relationship. Only affects serialization of the resource linkage.
- **type** (*str*) – The type of resource.
- **id\_field** (*str*) – Attribute name to pull ids from if a resource linkage is included.

**deserialize** (*value*, *attr=None*, *data=None*)

Deserialize value.

**Raises `ValidationError`** – If the value is not type `dict`, if the value does not contain a data key, and if the value is required but unspecified.

**extract\_value** (*data*)

Extract the id key and validate the request structure.

```
class marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.ResourceMeta(**kwargs)
```

Field which serializes to a “meta object” within a “resource object”.

Examples:

```

from marshmallow_jsonapi import Schema, fields

class UserSchema(Schema):
    id = fields.String()
    meta_resource = fields.ResourceMeta()

    class Meta:
        type_ = 'product'
        strict = True

```

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-objects>

### 3.1.3 Flask

Flask integration that avoids the need to hard-code URLs for links.

This includes a Flask-specific schema with custom Meta options and a relationship field for linking to related resources.

```

class marshmallow_jsonapi.flask.Relationship(related_view=None,          re-
                                             lated_view_kwargs=None,
                                             self_view=None, self_view_kwargs=None,
                                             **kwargs)

```

Field which serializes to a “relationship object” with a “related resource link”.

See: <http://jsonapi.org/format/#document-resource-object-relationships>

Examples:

```

author = Relationship(
    related_view='author_detail',
    related_view_kwargs={'author_id': '<author.id>'},
)

comments = Relationship(
    related_view='posts_comments',
    related_view_kwargs={'post_id': '<id>'},
    many=True, include_resource_linkage=True,
    type_='comments'
)

```

This field is read-only by default.

#### Parameters

- **related\_view** (*str*) – View name for related resource link.
- **related\_view\_kwargs** (*dict*) – Path kwargs fields for `related_view`. String arguments enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the target object.
- **self\_view** (*str*) – View name for self relationship link.
- **self\_view\_kwargs** (*dict*) – Path kwargs for `self_view`. String arguments enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the target object.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Same keyword arguments as `marshmallow_jsonapi.fields.Relationship`.

```

class marshmallow_jsonapi.flask.Schema(*args, **kwargs)

```

A Flask specific schema that resolves self URLs from view names.

**class Meta**

Options object that takes the same options as `marshmallow-jsonapi.Schema`, but instead of `self_url`, `self_url_kwargs` and `self_url_many` has the following options to resolve the URLs from Flask views:

- `self_view` - View name to resolve the self URL link from.
- `self_view_kwargs` - Replacement fields for `self_view`. String attributes enclosed in `< >` will be interpreted as attributes to pull from the schema data.
- `self_view_many` - View name to resolve the self URL link when a collection of resources is returned.

**OPTIONS\_CLASS**

alias of `SchemaOpts`

**generate\_url** (*view\_name*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Generate URL with any kwargs interpolated.

**class** `marshmallow_jsonapi.flask.SchemaOpts` (*meta*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Options to use Flask view names instead of hard coding URLs.

### 3.1.4 Exceptions

Exception classes.

**exception** `marshmallow_jsonapi.exceptions.IncorrectTypeError` (*message=None*, *actual=None*, *expected=None*)

Raised when client provides an invalid `type` in a request.

**messages**

JSON API-formatted error representation.

**exception** `marshmallow_jsonapi.exceptions.JSONAPIError`

Base class for all exceptions in this package.

### 3.1.5 Utilities

Utility functions.

This module should be considered private API.

`marshmallow_jsonapi.utils.resolve_params` (*obj*, *params*, *default=<marshmallow.missing>*)

Given a dictionary of keyword arguments, return the same dictionary except with values enclosed in `< >` resolved to attributes on `obj`.

`marshmallow_jsonapi.utils.tpl` (*val*)

Return value within `< >` if possible, else return `None`.



## 4.1 Changelog

### 4.1.1 0.20.0 (2018-06-10)

Bug fixes:

- Fix serialization of `id` for `Relationship` fields when `attribute` is set (#69). Thanks @jordal for reporting and thanks @scottwernert for the fix.

Note: The above fix could break some code that set `Relationship.id_field` before instantiating it. Set `Relationship.default_id_field` instead.

```
# before
fields.Relationship.id_field = 'item_id'

# after
fields.Relationship.default_id_field = 'item_id'
```

Support:

- Test refactoring and various doc improvements (#63, #86, #121# and #122). Thanks @scottwernert.

### 4.1.2 0.19.0 (2018-05-27)

Features:

- Schemas passed to `fields.Relationship` will inherit context from the parent schema (#84). Thanks @asteinlein and @scottwernert for the PRs.

### 4.1.3 0.18.0 (2018-05-19)

Features:

- Add `fields.ResourceMeta` for serializing a resource-level meta object (:issue:“”). Thanks @scottwernervt.

Other changes:

- *Backwards-incompatible*: Drop official support for Python 3.4.

### 4.1.4 0.17.0 (2018-04-29)

Features:

- Add support for marshmallow 3 (#97). Thanks @rockmnew.
- Thanks @mdodsworth for helping with #101.
- Move meta information object to document top level (#95). Thanks @scottwernervt.

### 4.1.5 0.16.0 (2017-11-08)

Features:

- Add support for excluding or including nested fields on relationships (#94). Thanks @scottwernervt for the PR.

Other changes:

- *Backwards-incompatible*: Drop support for marshmallow<2.8.0

### 4.1.6 0.15.1 (2017-08-23)

Bug fixes:

- Fix pointer for `id` in error objects (#90). Thanks @rgant for the catch and patch.

### 4.1.7 0.15.0 (2017-06-27)

Features:

- `Relationship` field supports deserializing included data (#83). Thanks @anuragagarwal561994 for the suggestion and thanks @asteinlein for the PR.

### 4.1.8 0.14.0 (2017-04-30)

Features:

- `Relationship` respects its passed `Schema`'s `get_attribute` method when getting the `id` field for resource linkages (#80). Thanks @scmmmh for the PR.

### 4.1.9 0.13.0 (2017-04-18)

Features:

- Add support for including deeply nested relationships in compound documents (#61). Thanks @mrhanky17 for the PR.

#### 4.1.10 0.12.0 (2017-04-16)

Features:

- Use default attribute value instead of raising exception if relationship is None on Relationship field (#75). Thanks @akira-dev.

#### 4.1.11 0.11.1 (2017-04-06)

Bug fixes:

- Fix formatting JSON pointer when serializing an invalid object at index 0 (#77). Thanks @danpoland for the catch and patch.

#### 4.1.12 0.11.0 (2017-03-12)

Bug fixes:

- Fix compatibility with marshmallow 3.x.

Other changes:

- *Backwards-incompatible*: Remove unused `utils.get_value_or_raise` function.

#### 4.1.13 0.10.2 (2017-03-08)

Bug fixes:

- Fix format of error object returned when data key is not included in input (#66). Thanks @RazerM.
- Fix serializing compound documents when Relationship is passed a schema class and `many=True` (#67). Thanks @danpoland for the catch and patch.

#### 4.1.14 0.10.1 (2017-02-05)

Bug fixes:

- Serialize None and empty lists ([]) to valid JSON-API objects (#58). Thanks @rgant for reporting and sending a PR.

#### 4.1.15 0.10.0 (2017-01-05)

Features:

- Add `fields.Meta` for (de)serializing meta data on resource objects (#28). Thanks @rubdos for the suggestion and initial work. Thanks @RazerM for the PR.

Other changes:

- Test against Python 3.6.

#### 4.1.16 0.9.0 (2016-10-08)

Features:

- Add Flask-specific schema with class `Meta` options for self link generation: `self_view`, `self_view_kwargs`, and `self_view_many` (#51). Thanks @asteinlein.

Bug fixes:

- Fix formatting of validation error messages on newer versions of marshmallow.

Other changes:

- Drop official support for Python 3.3.

#### 4.1.17 0.8.0 (2016-06-20)

Features:

- Add support for compound documents (#11). Thanks @Tim-Erwin and @woodb for implementing this.
- *Backwards-incompatible:* Remove `include_data` parameter from `Relationship`. Use `include_resource_linkage` instead.

#### 4.1.18 0.7.1 (2016-05-08)

Bug fixes:

- Format correction for error objects (#47). Thanks @ZeeD26 for the PR.

#### 4.1.19 0.7.0 (2016-04-03)

Features:

- Correctly format `messages` attribute of `ValidationError` raised when `type` key is missing in input (#43). Thanks @ZeeD26 for the catch and patch.
- JSON pointers for error objects for relationships will point to the `data` key (#41). Thanks @cmanallen for the PR.

#### 4.1.20 0.6.0 (2016-03-24)

Features:

- `Relationship` deserialization improvements: properly validate to-one and to-many relationships and validate the presence of the `data` key (#37). Thanks @cmanallen for the PR.
- `attributes` is no longer a required key in the `data` object (##39, #42). Thanks @ZeeD26 for reporting and @cmanallen for the PR.
- Added `id` serialization (#39). Thanks again @cmanallen.

#### 4.1.21 0.5.0 (2016-02-08)

Features:

- Add relationship deserialization (#15).
- Allow serialization of foreign key attributes (#32).
- Relationship IDs serialize to strings, as is required by JSON-API (#31).
- Relationship field respects `dump_to` parameter (#33).

Thanks @cmanallen for all of these changes.

Other changes:

- The minimum supported marshmallow version is 2.3.0.

#### 4.1.22 0.4.2 (2015-12-21)

Bug fixes:

- Relationship names are inflected when appropriate (#22). Thanks @angelosarto for reporting.

#### 4.1.23 0.4.1 (2015-12-19)

Bug fixes:

- Fix serializing null and empty relationships with `flask.Relationship` (#24). Thanks @floqqi for the catch and patch.

#### 4.1.24 0.4.0 (2015-12-06)

- Correctly serialize null and empty relationships (#10). Thanks @jo-tham for the PR.
- Add `self_url`, `self_url_kwargs`, and `self_url_many` class Meta options for adding self links. Thanks @asteinlein for the PR.

#### 4.1.25 0.3.0 (2015-10-18)

- *Backwards-incompatible*: Replace `HyperlinkRelated` with `Relationship` field. Supports related links (`related`), relationship links (`self`), and resource linkages.
- *Backwards-incompatible*: Validate and deserialize JSON API-formatted request payloads.
- Fix error formatting when `many=True`.
- Fix error formatting in strict mode.

#### 4.1.26 0.2.2 (2015-09-26)

- Fix for marshmallow 2.0.0 compat.

#### 4.1.27 0.2.1 (2015-09-16)

- Compatibility with marshmallow $\geq$ 2.0.0rc2.

#### 4.1.28 0.2.0 (2015-09-13)

Features:

- Add framework-independent `HyperlinkRelated` field.
- Support inflection of attribute names via the `inflect` class `Meta` option.

Bug fixes:

- Fix for making `HyperlinkRelated` read-only by default.

Support:

- Docs updates.
- Tested on Python 3.5.

#### 4.1.29 0.1.0 (2015-09-12)

- First PyPI release.
- Include Schema that serializes objects to resource objects.
- Flask-compatible `HyperlinkRelate` field for serializing relationships.
- Errors are formatted as JSON API error objects.

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## 4.3 Contributing Guidelines

### 4.3.1 In General

- PEP 8, when sensible.
- Test ruthlessly. Write docs for new features.
- Even more important than Test-Driven Development—*Human-Driven Development*.

### 4.3.2 In Particular

#### Questions, Feature Requests, Bug Reports, and Feedback...

... should all be reported on the [Github Issue Tracker](#).

#### Setting Up for Local Development

1. Fork `marshmallow-jsonapi` on Github.

```
$ git clone https://github.com/marshmallow-code/marshmallow-jsonapi.git
$ cd marshmallow-jsonapi
```

2. Install development requirements. It is highly recommended that you use a virtualenv.

```
# After activating your virtualenv
$ pip install -r dev-requirements.txt
```

3. Install `marshmallow-jsonapi` in develop mode.

```
$ pip install -e .
```

#### Git Branch Structure

Marshmallow abides by the following branching model:

**dev** Current development branch. **New features should branch off here.**

**X.Y-1line** Maintenance branch for release X.Y. **Bug fixes should be sent to the most recent release branch.** The maintainer will forward-port the fix to dev. Note: exceptions may be made for bug fixes that introduce large code changes.

**Always make a new branch for your work**, no matter how small. Also, **do not put unrelated changes in the same branch or pull request.** This makes it more difficult to merge your changes.

### Pull Requests

1. Create a new local branch.

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-feature dev
```

2. Commit your changes. Write **good commit messages**.

```
$ git commit -m "Detailed commit message"
$ git push origin name-of-feature
```

3. Before submitting a pull request, check the following:

- If the pull request adds functionality, it is tested and the docs are updated.
- You've added yourself to `AUTHORS.rst`.

4. Submit a pull request to `marshmallow-code:dev` or the appropriate maintenance branch. The [Travis CI](#) build must be passing before your pull request is merged.

### Running tests

To run all tests:

```
$ invoke test
```

To run tests on Python 2.7, 3.5, and 3.6 virtual environments (must have each interpreter installed):

```
$ tox
```

### Documentation

Contributions to the documentation are welcome. Documentation is written in [reStructured Text \(rST\)](#). A quick rST reference can be found [here](#). Builds are powered by [Sphinx](#).

To install the packages for building the docs:

```
$ pip install -r docs/requirements.txt
```

To build the docs:

```
$ invoke docs -b
```

The `-b` (for “browse”) automatically opens up the docs in your browser after building.

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