Module 3 Day 5

MVC Views 3 – Ends and Odds

What makes an application?

- Program Data
 - ✓ Variables & .NET Data Types
 - ✓ Arrays
 - ✓ More Collections (list, dictionary, stack, queue)
 - ✓ Classes and objects (OOP)
- Program Logic
 - ✓ Statements and expressions
 - ✓ Conditional logic (if)
 - ✓ Repeating logic (for, foreach, do, while)
 - ✓ Methods (functions / procedures)
 - √ Classes and objects (OOP)
 - Frameworks (MVC)

- Input / Output
 - User
 - ✓ Console read / write
 - ✓ HTML / CSS
 - ☐ Front-end frameworks (HTML / CSS / JavaScript)
 - Storage
 - ✓ File I/O
 - ✓ Relational database
 - ☐ APIs

Passing QueryString Parameters

- Asp-route-{variable-name} adds {variable-name} to the querystring on the URL
- When that URL is clicked, the framework does <u>Model Binding</u>
 - Maps URL parameters (query string) to Action parameters
 - Looks for names in the query string that match parameter name
 - But there's more magic: it also looks for <u>public properties of Action parameter</u> types and matches those names if possible.
- Example:
 - Films Search



ViewData

- Another way to pass data from Controller to View
 - Not type-safe, no IntelliSense...
 - "Quick and dirty"
 - May be used for messages, for example
- In the Controller:

```
string message = $"{products.Count} {(products.Count == 1 ? "product" : "products")} were found.";
ViewData["message"] = message;
return View(products);
```

• In the View:

```
\text{\text{h3}}
\( \text{h3} \)
\( \text{\text{act} | \text{message}|} < / \text{h3} \)
\( \text{h2} \)
\( \text{All Products} < / \text{h2} \)
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\( \text{h2} \)
```



Even More on Layout

- Partial Views
 - A Razor file (.cshtml) that renders HTML output within another markup file's rendered output
 - Used to place duplicate markup into multiple Views
 - E.g., a common form, or a product display tile
 - Name starts with _ by convention (not required)
 - "Using" View includes the partial view with:
 <partial name="_partialVwName" model="Model" />
- Example
 - _ListFilms partial view



IActionResult

- Actions are required to return IActionResult
- Controller View() method returns a ViewResult
- Other types of IActionResult:
 - RedirectResult, RedirectToActionResult
 - OkResult, NotFoundResult, CreatedResult, ForbidResult, StatusCodeResult
 - FileContentResult, FileStreamResult
 - JsonResult
 - And many more

Dependency Injection

- Don't let this blow your mind!
- Inversion of Control pattern
- Removes the task of creating DAO's in the Controllers
- Tells the framework to create and pass DAO's into the controller
- Example:
 - FilmsController constructor

