Developing Web Apps using ASP.NET MVC

Lab Time: 60 minutes

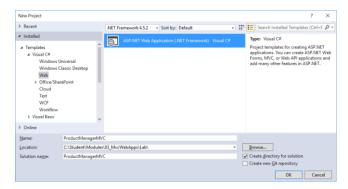
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Lab Overview: In this module you will create a Web application using ASP.NET MVC. This will give you a chance to work with MVC controllers and views. You will model application data using C# classes to create a design which allows you to pass a strongly-typed view model from a controller to a view. You will also learn how to configure a controller class to be an asynchronous controller to provide higher levels of scalability for high-volume applications.

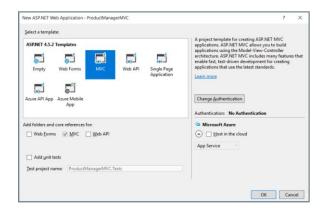
Exercise 1: Create a new MVC Application using Visual Studio 2017

In this exercise you will create a new Visual Studio project using the ASP.NET MVC framework.

- Launch Visual Studio 2017.
- 2. Create a new ASP.NET MVC project in Visual Studio 2017.
 - a) In Visual Studio select File > New > Project.
 - b) In the **New Project** dialog:
 - i) Select Installed > Templates > Visual C# > Web.
 - ii) In the platform dropdown menu, make sure the platform is set to .NET Framework 4.5.2.
 - iii) Select the ASP.NET Web Application project template.
 - iv) Name the new project ProductManagerMVC.
 - v) Add the new project into the folder at C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab.
 - vi) Click **OK** to display the **New ASP.Net Web Application** wizard.



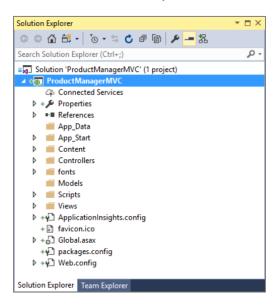
- c) In the New ASP.Net Web Application dialog, select the MVC template.
- d) Make sure Authentication is set to No Authentication.
- e) Make sure the Host in the cloud checkbox is unchecked.
- f) Click the **OK** button to create the new project.



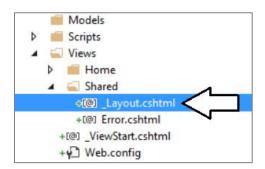
g) When Visual Studio finishes creating the project, it displays an information page. Close this page by clicking the x in the tab.



h) Take a minute to familiarize yourself with the structure of the project in the **Solution Explorer**.



- 3. Modify the shared layouts page named _Layouts.cshtml.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, expand the **Views** folder and then expand the **Shared** folder.
 - b) Double-click on _Layouts.cshtml to open it in an editor window.



c) Delete the entire contents of Layouts.cshtml and replace with the following HTML starter page.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<head>
</head>
<body>
</body>
</body>
</html>
```

d) Copy and paste the following HTML code to provide the **head** section

e) Copy and paste the following HTML code to provide the **body** section of the page.

```
<body>
<!-- add top nav here -->
<!-- add main body content here -->

@scripts.Render("~/bundles/jquery")
@scripts.Render("~/bundles/bootstrap")
@RenderSection("scripts", required: false)

</body>
</html>
```

f) Copy and paste the following code into the body just below the add top nav here comment.

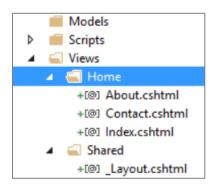
```
<!-- add top nav here --> <div class="container">
  <div class="row">
    <div class="navbar navbar-default " role="navigation">
      <div class="container-fluid">
        <div class="navbar-header">
          @Html.ActionLink("Product Manager", "Index", "Home", null, new { @class = "navbar-brand" })
        </div>
        <div class="navbar-collapse collapse">
          <!-- <li>elements with nav links go here -->
          </u1>
        </div>
      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
</div>
```

g) Copy and paste the following code into the body just below the add main body content here comment

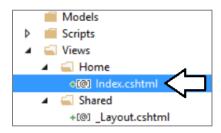
- h) Save your changes and close **_Layouts.cshtml**.
- Modify the HomeController class.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, expand the Controllers folder and then double-click on HomeController.cs open it in an editor window.
 - b) Delete all the existing code inside HomeController.cs and replace it with the following code

```
using System.Web.Mvc;
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Controllers {
  public class HomeController : Controller {
    public ActionResult Index() {
      return View();
    }
  }
}
```

- c) Save and close on HomeController.cs.
- 5. Modify the **Index** view template for the **HomeController** class.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, expand the Views folder and then expand the Home folder.
 - b) You should see three views named About.cshtml, Contact.cshtml and Index.cshtml.



- c) Delete the two views named About.cshtml and Contact.cshtml.
- d) Double-click on the view named Index.cshtml to open it in an editor window.



e) Delete all the existing content inside Index.cshtml and replace it with the following HTML code.

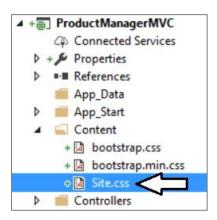
```
<div class="row">
    <div class="jumbotron">
    <h2>Welcome to Product Manager</h2>
    </div>
</div>
<div class="row">
    <div class="col-md-6">
        <div class="panel panel-primary">
             <div class="panel-heading">Add a New Product</div>
             <div class="panel-body"> Click the Add Product link above to add a new product.</div>
        </div>
    </div>
    <div class="col-md-6">
        <div class="panel panel-primary">
             <div class="panel-heading">See the Product Showcase </div>
             <div class="panel-body"> Click the Product Showcase link to see all Wingtip products.</div>
        </div>
    </div>
</div>
```

- Modify the Sites.css file with a set of custom CSS styles.
 - a) Using Windows Explorer, locate the snippet file named Site.css.txt in the Students at the following location.

C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab\Snippets\Site.css.txt

- b) Double click on Site.css.txt to open it in Notepad.
- c) Select all the CSS code inside Site.css.txt and copy it to the Windows clipboard.
- d) Return to Visual Studio.

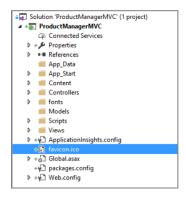
e) In Solution Explorer, expand the Content folder and then double-click on Sites.css open it in an editor window.



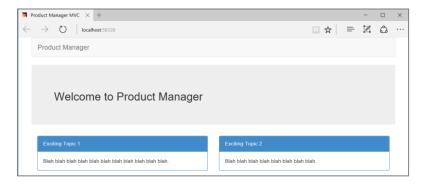
- f) Delete all the existing content from **Sites.css**.
- g) Paste the content of the Windows clipboard into Sites.css.
- h) Save your changes and close Sites.css.
- 7. Add a favicon.ico file to the root folder of the ProductManagerMVC project.
 - a) Using Windows Explorer, locate the file named favicon.icon in the Students folder at the following location.

C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab\StarterFiles\favicon.ico

b) Copy the file named **favicon.ico** to the root folder of your project.



- 8. Test out the ProductManagerMVC Project using the Visual Studio Debugger
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start up the project in the Visual Studio debugger.
 - b) When the project starts, the home page should load in the browser and match the following screenshot.

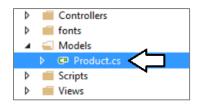


c) Close the browser, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.

Exercise 2: Creating a Strongly Typed Controller Class

In this exercise you will add a new C# class named **Product** to design a view model to pass strongly-typed product data you're your controllers into your view templates You will also create an interface named **IProductDataService** which will play a key role in your design to decouple the code in your controllers from any data access code you add to the project.

- 1. Create the Product class.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, right-click on the Models folder and click the Add > Class... menu command.
 - b) In the Add New Item dialog, give the new class file a name of Product.cs.



c) Delete all the existing code inside **Product.cs** and replace it with the following code.

```
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations;

namespace ProductManagerMVC.Models {
  public class Product {
    public int Id { get; set; }
    public string Name { get; set; }
    public string Category { get; set; }
    public double ListPrice { get; set; }
    public string Description { get; set; }
    public string ProductImageUrl { get; set; }
}
```

You have just created the **Product** class which contains the required set of properties. Now, you will add attributes to specific properties in the **Product** class so that they behave in a specialized fashion when used in an MVC view model.

d) Add the **Key** attribute the **Id** property to indicate this property will hold the unique key identifier for each product.

```
[Key]
public int Id { get; set; }
```

e) Add the Required attribute to the Name property with the error message "Please enter product name.";

```
[Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product name.")]
public string Name { get; set; }
```

Add the Required attribute to the Category property with the error message "Please enter product category.";

```
[Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product category.")]
public string Category { get; set; }
```

- g) Add the **DisplayName** attribute to the **ListPrice** property with a value of "List Price".
- h) Add the DisplayFormat attribute to the ListPrice property with a DataFormatString parameter value of "{0:C2}"
- Add the Range attribute with a configured range value between \$1 and \$10,000.
- j) Configure the Range attribute with an ErrorMessage of "Please enter product price between \$1 and \$10,000."

```
[DisplayName("List Price"), DisplayFormat(DataFormatString = "{0:C2}")]
[Range(1, 10000, ErrorMessage = "Please enter product price between $1 and $10,000.")]
public double ListPrice { get; set; }
```

k) Add the DataType attribute to the Description property with a value of DataType.MultilineText.

I) Add the Required attribute to the Description property with the error message "Please enter product description.";

```
[DataType(DataType.MultilineText)]
[Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product description.")]
public string Description { get; set; }
```

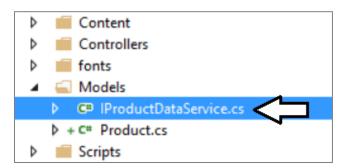
m) Add the DisplayName attribute to the ProductImageUrl property with a value of "Product Image".

```
[DisplayName("Product Image")]
public string ProductImageUrl { get; set; }
```

n) When you are done apply attributes, your **Product** class definition should match the following code listing.

```
public class Product {
    [Key]
    public int Id { get; set; }
    [Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product name.")]
    public string Name { get; set; }
    [Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product category.")]
    public string Category { get; set; }
    [DisplayName("List Price"), DisplayFormat(DataFormatString = "{0:C2}")]
    [Range(1, 10000, ErrorMessage = "Please enter product price between $1 and $10,000.")]
    public double ListPrice { get; set; }
    [DataType(DataType.MultilineText)]
    [Required(ErrorMessage = "Please enter product description.")]
    public string Description { get; set; }
    [DisplayName("Product Image")]
    public string ProductImageUrl { get; set; }
}
```

- o) Save your changes and close Product.cs.
- 2. Create the IProductDataService interface.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, right-click on the Models folder and click the Add > Class... menu command.
 - b) In the Add New Item dialog, give the new class file a name of IProductDataService.cs.



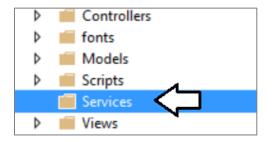
c) Delete the contents of IProductDataService.cs and replace it with the following code.

```
using System.Linq;
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Models {
   public interface IProductDataService {
        IQueryable<Product> GetAllProducts();
        Product GetProduct(int id);
        void AddProduct(Product product);
        void DeleteProduct(int id);
        void UpdateProduct(Product product);
   }
}
```

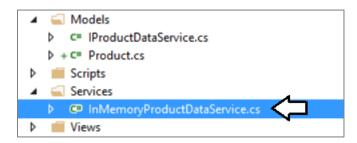
d) Save your changes and close of IProductDataService.cs.

Over the next few steps you will create and implement a class named **InMemoryProductDataService**. This class will provide the code to store and manage a list of products using ASP.NET session state. This type of design which relies on ASP.NET session state isn't practical for most real-world applications because the data is never written into persistent storage and there is no type of currency control to deal with multiple operations going on at the same time. However, implementing this class and seeing how it fits into an MVC application as a whole will be a valuable learning experience. Also keep in mind that in later labs you will develop a similar MVC application that reads and writes product data to and from an Azure SQL Server database.

- 3. Create and implement the InMemoryProductDataService class
 - a) Using Solution Explorer, create a new top-level folder named Services.



- b) Right-click on the **Services** folder and select **Add > Class**.
- c) Name the new class file InMemoryProductDataService.cs.



d) Inside InMemoryProductDataService.cs, delete all the existing content and replace it with the following code.

```
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Web;
using System.Web.SessionState;
using ProductManagerMVC.Models;

namespace ProductManagerMVC.Services {
    public class InMemoryProductDataService : IProductDataService {
    }
}
```

At this point, your code will not compile because the **InMemoryProductDataService** class definition does not yet implement all the members of the **IProductDataService** interface.

e) Using the dropdown menu under IProductDataService interface, select the Implement Interface command.

```
□ namespace ProductManagerMVC.Services {
□ public class InMemoryProductDataService : IProductDataService : IProductDataService {
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```

f) The InMemoryProductDataService class should now contain a skeleton method for each member of IProductDataService.

```
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Services {
  public class InMemoryProductDataService : IProductDataService {

   public void AddProduct(Product product) {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }

  public void DeleteProduct(int id) {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }

  public IQueryable<Product> GetAllProducts() {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }

  public Product GetProduct(int id) {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }

  public void UpdateProduct(Product product) {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }
}
```

In the next step you will copy-and-paste code from a pre-provided text file to create a list of product data. This will give you a set of products to test out your application without forcing you to do too much typing.

g) Using Windows Explorer, locate the file named ProductListSeedData.cs.txt in the Students folder at the following location.

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- h) Double-click on ProductListSeedData.cs.txt to open this file in Notepad.
- Copy the contents of ProductListSeedData.cs.txt to the Windows clipboard.
- j) Return to Visual Studio and place the cursor inside the InMemoryProductDataService class at the top.
- k) Paste the content of the Windows clipboard at the top of the InMemoryProductDataService class.
- I) Your class should now contain a new private field named **productListSeedData** as shown in the following screenshot.

m) Place your cursor just below the _productListSeedData field and add the following three static fields.

```
static HttpRequest request = HttpContext.Current.Request;
static HttpSessionState session = HttpContext.Current.Session;
static List<Product> _productList;
```

n) Below the static fields you created in the InMemoryProductDataService class, add a constructor using the following code.

```
public InMemoryProductDataService() {
  if (session["ProductList"] == null) {
    session["ProductList"] = _productListSeedData;
  }
  _productList = (List<Product>)session["ProductList"];
}
```

o) Your class now contains a design to initialize an ASP.NET session variable named **ProductList** with sample product data.

```
public class InMemoryProductDataService : IProductDataService {
   private List<Product> _productListSeedData = new List<Product>()...;
   static HttpRequest request = HttpContext.Current.Request;
   static HttpSessionState session = HttpContext.Current.Session;
   static List<Product> _productList;

   public InMemoryProductDataService() {
      if (session["ProductList"] == null) {
        session["ProductList"] = _productListSeedData;
      }
      _productList = (List<Product>)session["ProductList"];
   }

   public void AddProduct(Product product) ...
```

p) Implement the **AddProduct** method with the following code.

```
public void AddProduct(Product product) {
  int nextId = _productList.Max(p => p.Id) + 1;
  product.Id = nextId;
  _productList.Add(product);
  session["ProductList"] = _productList;
}
```

q) Implement the **DeleteProduct** method with the following code.

```
public void DeleteProduct(int id) {
   Product product = _productList.FirstOrDefault(p => p.Id == id);
   _productList.Remove(product);
   session["ProductList"] = _productList;
}
```

r) Implement the **GetAllProducts** method with the following code.

```
public IQueryable<Product> GetAllProducts() {
  return _productList.AsQueryable();
}
```

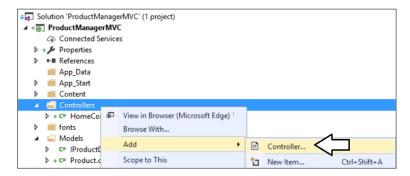
s) Implement the **GetProduct** method with the following code.

```
public Product GetProduct(int id) {
  return _productList.Find(p => p.Id == id);
}
```

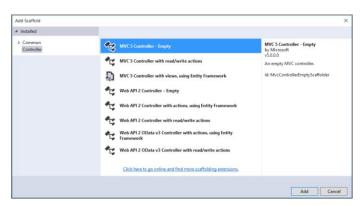
Implement the UpdateProduct method with the following code

```
public void UpdateProduct(Product product) {
   Product targetProduct = _productList.FirstOrDefault(p => p.Id == product.Id);
   targetProduct.Name = product.Name;
   targetProduct.Category = product.Category;
   targetProduct.ListPrice = product.ListPrice;
   targetProduct.Description = product.Description;
   targetProduct.ProductImageUrl = product.ProductImageUrl;
   session["ProductList"] = _productList;
}
```

- u) Save your changes and close InMemoryProductDataService.cs.
- 4. Create the ProductsController class.
 - a) Right-click on the **Controllers** folder and click the **Add > Controller** menu command.



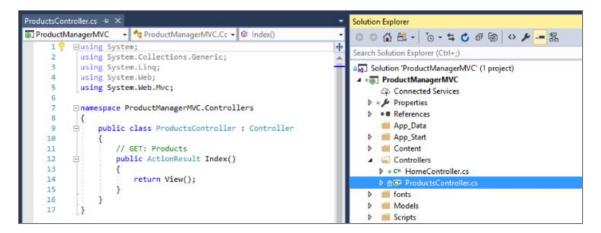
b) In the Add Scaffold dialog, select MVC 5 Controller Empty and click the Add button.



c) In the Add Controller dialog, enter a Controller name of ProductsController and click the Add button.



d) There should now be a second controller named ProductsController in the Controllers folder.



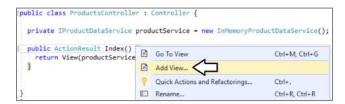
- e) Delete all the existing code from **ProductsController.cs**.
- f) Add the following using statements to the top of ProductsController.cs.

```
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.Web.Mvc;
using ProductManagerMVC.Models;
using ProductManagerMVC.Services;
```

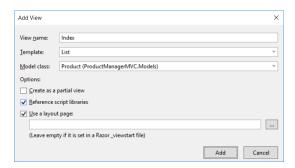
g) Add the following class definition for the ProductsController class.

```
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Controllers {
  public class ProductsController : Controller {
    private IProductDataService productService = new InMemoryProductDataService();
    public ActionResult Index() {
       return View(productService.GetAllProducts());
    }
}
```

- 5. Add a new view for the Index action method of the ProductsController class.
 - a) Inside the ProductsController class definition, right-click on the Index method and then click the Add View... command.



- b) In the Add View dialog, set the Template property to List.
- c) Set the Model class property to Product (ProductManagerMVC.Models).
- d) When the Add View dialog matches the following screenshot, click the Add button to create the new view.



e) Examine the top of the Index.cshtml file after it's been created and see how the @model directive defines the view model.



- f) Delete the @{} code block at the top which assigns a value to the Title property of the ViewBag object.
- g) Delete <h2> tag.

h) Update the first parameter in the call to @Html.ActionLink function to pass "Create Product" instead of just "Create".

```
@Html.ActionLink("Create Product", "Create", "Products", null, new { @class = "btn btn-default" })
```

-) Move down in the Index.cshtml file and examine the code that Visual Studio generated to create a table of products.
- j) Locate and delete the two elements in the header row for the Description property and the ProductImageUrl property.

- k) Inside the @foreach loop below, locate and delete the two elements for Description and ProductImageUrl.
- I) The code inside Index.cshtml can now be reformatted to match the following screenshot.

```
@model IEnumerable<ProductManagerMVC.Models.Product>
 @Html.ActionLink("Create Product", "Create", "Products", null, new { @class = "btn btn-default" })
@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Name)
   @Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Category)
   @Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ListPrice)
   Actions
 @foreach (var item in Model) {
   @Html.DisplayFor(modelItem => item.Name)
   @Html.DisplayFor(modelItem => item.Category)
   QHtml.DisplayFor(modelItem => item.ListPrice)
   @Html.ActionLink("Edit", "Edit", new { id=item.Id }) |
     @Html.ActionLink("Details", "Details", new { id=item.Id }) |
@Html.ActionLink("Delete", "Delete", new { id=item.Id })
```

- m) Save your changes to Index.cshtml.
- Add a navigation link to navigate to the Index action of the Products controller.
 - a) Open the shared layouts file named _Layouts.cshtml and add a new navigation link as shown in the following code listing.

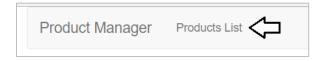
```
<div class="navbar-collapse collapse">

     <!-- <li> elements with nav links go here -->
     @Html.ActionLink("Product List","Index","Products")

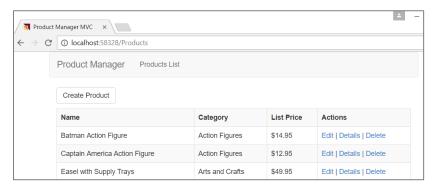
</di>
</di>
```

b) Save your changes and close _Layouts.cshtml.

- Test out the Index action method of the Products controller in the Visual Studio debugger.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging session.
 - b) When the application loads, you should see a new navigation link with the caption Products List.



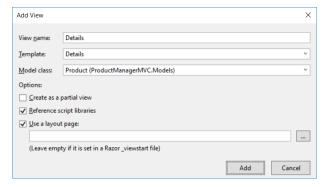
c) Click on the **Products List** navigation link to test the **Index** view of the **Products** controller. This view should render an HTML table with product data as shown in the following screenshot.



- d) Once you have tested the **Index** view, close the browser window, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.
- 8. Implement the **Details** view of the **Products** controller.
 - a) Inside ProductsContoller.cs underneath the Index method, add the Details method using the following code.

```
public ActionResult Details(int? id) {
  if (id == null) {
    return new HttpStatusCodeResult(HttpStatusCode.BadRequest);
  }
  Product product = productService.GetProduct(id.Value);
  if (product == null) {
    return HttpNotFound();
  }
  return View(product);
}
```

- b) Create a new view for the **Details** method by right-clicking the method name and selecting the **Add View** command.
- c) In the Add View dialog, set the Template property to List.
- d) Set the Model class property to Product (ProductManagerMVC.Models).
- e) When the Add View dialog matches the following screenshot, click the Add button to create the new view.



f) Examine the top of the Details.cshtml file after it's been created and see how the @model directive defines the view model.

g) Replace with contents of **Details.cshtml** with the following razor view code listing.

```
@model ProductManagerMVC.Models.Product
<h2>Product Details</h2>
<div>
  <dl class="dl-horizontal">
  <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Name)</dt>
  <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Name)</dd>
  <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Category)</dt>
  <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Category)</dd></dd>
  <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ListPrice)</dt>
  <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.ListPrice)</dd>
  <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Description)</dt>
  <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Description)</dd>
  <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ProductImageUrl)</dt>
  <dd>QHtml.DisplayFor(model => model.ProductImageUrl)</dd>
</d1>
</div>
>
  @Html.ActionLink("Edit", "Edit", new { id = Model.Id }) |
@Html.ActionLink("Back to List", "Index")
```

- 9. Test out the **Details** action method of the **Products** controller in the Visual Studio debugger.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging session.
 - b) Navigate to the Index view of the Products controller.
 - c) Click on the **Details** link for one of the products such as the **Captain America Action Figure**.

Create Product			
Name	Category	List Price	Actions
Batman Action Figure	Action Figures	\$14.95	Edit Details Delete
Captain America Action Figure	Action Figures	\$12.95	Edit Details
Easel with Supply Trays	Arts and Crafts	\$49.95	Edit Details Delete
Crate o' Crayons	Arts and Crafts	\$14.95	Edit Details Delete
Green Stomper Bully	Remote Control	\$24.95	Edit Details Delete

d) The Product Details view should match the following screenshot.

```
Product Details

Name Captain America Action Figure

Category Action Figures
List Price $12.95

Description A super action figure that protects freedom and the American way of life.

WP0002.jpg

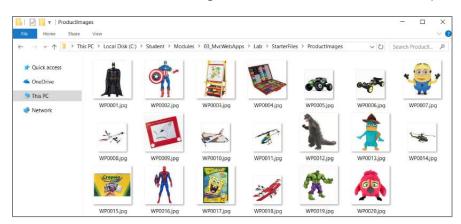
Edit | Back to List
```

e) Once you have tested the **Details** view, close the browser window, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.

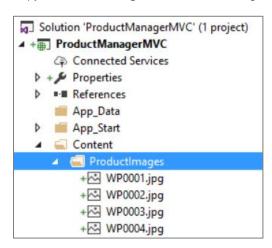
- 10. Add support to display product images in the Details view of the ProductsController class.
 - a) Using Windows Explorer, locate and inspect the **ProductImages** folder inside the **Students** folder at the following location.

C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab\StarterFiles\ProductImages\

b) You should see that the **ProductImages** folder contains a set of JPG files with product images.



c) Copy the ProductImages folder and the images inside into the Content folder of the ProductmanagerMVC project.



d) Return to the code editor windows for **Details.cshtml** and locate the following two lines of code.

```
<dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ProductImageUrl)</dt>
<dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.ProductImageUrl)</dd>
```

e) Replace the code inside the **<dd>** tag with the following code.

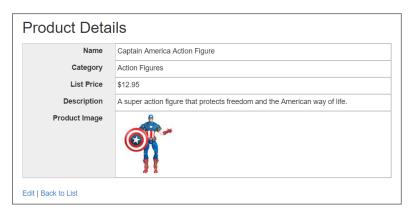
```
<img src="~/Content/ProductImages/@Model.ProductImageUrl" alt="@Model.Name" width="120" />
```

f) Those two lines should now look like the following code listing.

```
<dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ProductImageUrl)</dt>
<dd>< img src="~/Content/ProductImages/@Model.ProductImageUrl" alt="@Model.Name" width="120" /></dd>
```

- g) Save your changes and close Details.cshtml.
- 11. Test out the **Details** action method of the **Products** controller in the Visual Studio debugger.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging session.
 - b) Navigate to the Index view of the Products controller.
 - c) Click on the Details link for one of the products such as the Captain America Action Figure.

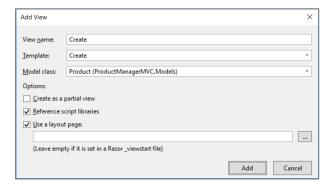
d) You should now see a product image in the **Details** view for each product.



- e) Once you have tested the **Details** view, close the browser window, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.
- 12. Implement the **Create** action of the **Products** controller.
 - a) Inside ProductsContoller.cs underneath the Details method, add two implementations of the Create method using the following code.

Why are there two implementations of the **Create** action method? The first implementation of **Create** simply returns a view with an HTML form that is used to collect input from the user and to submit an HTML form using an HTTP POST operation. The second implementation of **Create** is the code that executes when the data for a new product is submitted with an HTTP POST request. Note that the second implementation of **Create** is defined using two attributes named **HttpPost** and **ValidateAntiForgeryToken**. The second implementation of **Create** also contains a parameter named **Product** which is defined using the **Bind** attribute to indicate to the MVC framework which product properties in the incoming HTML form should be populated in the **Product** parameter.

- a) Create a new view for the Create method by right-clicking the top Create method and selecting the Add View command.
- b) In the Add View dialog, set the Template property to Create.
- c) Set the Model class property to Product (ProductManagerMVC.Models).
- d) When the Add View dialog matches the following screenshot, click the Add button to create the new view.



e) Examine the top of the Create.cshtml file after it's been created and see how the @model directive defines the view model.

- f) Delete the @{ } code block at the top which assigns a value to the Title property of the ViewBag object.
- g) Replace the <h2> tag with an <h3> tag which contains the heading "Create Product".

```
@model ProductManagerMVC.Models.Product
<h3>Create Product</h3>
@using (Html.BeginForm()) {
    @Html.AntiForgeryToken()
    <div class="form-horizontal">
```

h) Delete the <h4> tag and the <hr /> tag that have been added underneath the opening <div class="form-horizontal> tag.

i) Add the following code at the top of Create.cshtml under the @model directive and above the <h3> tag.

```
@{ SelectListItem[] ProductCategories = {
    new SelectListItem{ Text="Action Figures", Value="Action Figures" },
    new SelectListItem{ Text="Arts and Crafts", Value="Arts and Crafts" },
    new SelectListItem{ Text="Remote Control", Value="Remote Control" }
    };
}
```

j) The code at the top of Create.cshtml should match the following screenshot.

k) Move down inside the code for Create.cshtml and find the <div class=" form-group "> element for product category.

) Replace the code inside that <div> with the following code to create a dropdown list for selecting a product category.

m) The new HTML code in the <div> element for the product category section should now match the following screenshot.

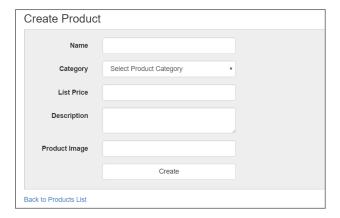
- n) Move down toward the bottom of Create.cshtml and locate the call to @Html.ActionLink.
- o) Change the text passed to @Html.ActionLink to "Back to Products List".

```
<div>
@Html.ActionLink("Back to Products List", "Index")
</div>
```

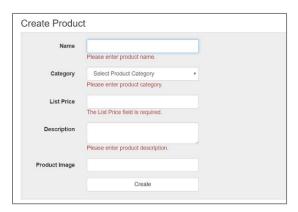
p) At the bottom of Create.cshtml, you will see a @section Scripts section. Leave this code as it is because it is required for the jQuery client-side validation supplied by the MVC framework to work correctly.

```
@section Scripts {
    @Scripts.Render("~/bundles/jqueryval")
}
```

- q) Save your changes to Create.cshtml.
- 13. Test out the Create action of the Products controller.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging sessions.
 - b) Navigate to the Index view of the Products controller and click on the Create button.
 - c) You should now see the Create Product form as shown in the following screenshot.



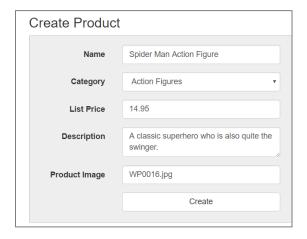
d) Before entering any data into the form, test out what happens if you click the **Create** button and try to create a new product with invalid data. You should see error messages on each input control that requires an entry.



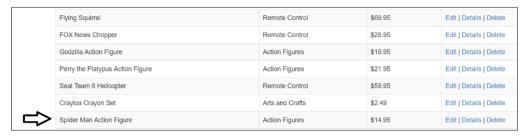
e) Test out what happens when you enter an invalid value of .95 into the **List Price** textbox. You should see an error message generated from the **Range** attribute you added to the **ListPrice** field in the **Product** class definition.



f) Fill out the **Create Product** form using the data shown in the following screenshot and click **Create** to create a new product and make sure to include a **Product Image** value of **WP0016.jpg**.



g) You should be able to verify that the new product has been created by seeing it at the bottom of the products list.



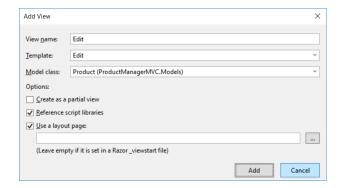
h) Click on the **Details** link to see the details on the new product that has just been created.



The image file named WP0016.jpg should display an image of the Spiderman Action Figure.

- i) Close the browser window, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.
- 14. Implement the **Edit** action of the **Products** controller.
 - a) Inside ProductsContoller.cs underneath Create, add two implementations of the Edit method using the following code.

- b) Create a new view for the Edit method by right-clicking the top Edit method and selecting the Add View command.
- c) In the Add View dialog, set the Template property to Edit.
- d) Set the Model class property to Product (ProductManagerMVC.Models).
- e) When the Add View dialog matches the following screenshot, click the Add button to create the new view.



Once the Edit.cshtml file has been created, delete its contents.

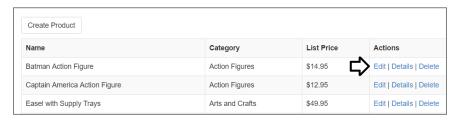
- g) Copy the all the razor view code from Create.cshtml and paste it into Edit.cshtml.
- h) Close Create.cshtml and continue to work on Edit.cshtml.
- i) Update the content of the <h3> tag from "Create Product" to "Edit Product".

<h3>Edit Product</h3>

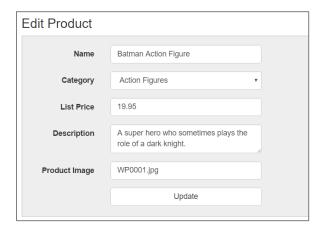
- j) Move down to the bottom of on Edit.cshtml and locate the <input type="submit" > element.
- k) Modify the value attribute of this <input> element to "Update".

<input type="submit" value="Update" class="btn btn-default" />

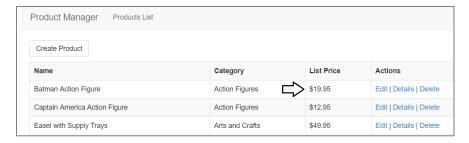
- 15. Test out the **Edit** action of the **Products** controller.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging sessions.
 - b) Navigate to the Index view of the Products controller.
 - c) Note that the first product named Batman Action Figure has a list price of \$14.95
 - d) Click the Edit link for the product named Batman Action Figure.



- e) You should now see the Edit Product form which shows the current state of this product.
- f) Update the List Price from \$14.95 to \$19.95 and click the Update button to save your changes.



g) Verify you can see the change you made to the list price in the product list.



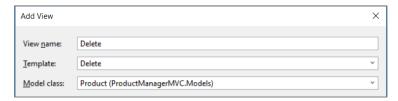
h) Close the browser window, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.

- 16. Implement the **Delete** action of the **Products** controller.
 - a) Inside ProductsContoller.cs underneath Edit, add two implementations of the Delete method using the following code.

```
public ActionResult Delete(int? id) {
   if (id == null) {
      return new HttpStatusCodeResult(HttpStatusCode.BadRequest);
   }
   Product product = productService.GetProduct(id.Value);
   if (product == null) {
      return HttpNotFound();
   }
   return View(product);
}

[HttpPost, ActionName("Delete")]
[ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public ActionResult DeleteConfirmed(int id) {
   productService.DeleteProduct(id);
   return RedirectToAction("Index");
}
```

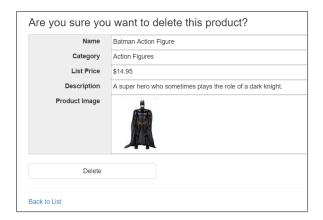
- b) Create a new view for the **Delete** method by right-clicking the top **Delete** method and selecting the **Add View** command.
- c) In the Add View dialog, set the Template property to Delete.
- d) Set the Model class property to Product (ProductManagerMVC.Models).
- e) When the Add View dialog matches the following screenshot, click the Add button to create the new view.



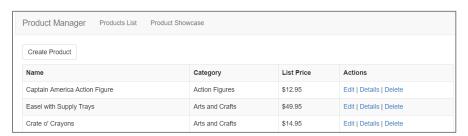
- f) Once Visual Studio has created the **Delete.cshtml** file, delete all the content inside.
- g) Copy and paste the following razor code into Delete.cshtml.

```
@model ProductManagerMVC.Models.Product
<h3>Are you sure you want to delete this product?</h3>
<div>
 <dl class="dl-horizontal">
   <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Name)</dt>
   <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Name)</dd>
   <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Category)</dt>
   <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Category)</dd>
   <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.ListPrice)</dt>
   <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.ListPrice)</dd>
   <dt>@Html.DisplayNameFor(model => model.Description)</dt>
   <dd>@Html.DisplayFor(model => model.Description)</dd>
   </d1>
</div>
@using (Html.BeginForm()) {
 @Html.AntiForgeryToken()
 <div class="form-actions no-color">
   <input type="submit" value="Delete" class="btn btn-default" />
  </div>
}
<hr/>
@Html.ActionLink("Back to List", "Index")
```

- 17. Test out the **Delete** action of the **Products** controller in the Visual Studio debugger.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging session.
 - b) Navigate to the Index view of the Products controller.
 - c) Click the **Delete** link for the product named **Batman Action Figure**.
 - d) You should now see the form that requires to the user to confirm the operation of deleting a product.
 - e) Click the **Delete** button to delete the **Batman Action Figure** product.



f) Verify that the Batman Action Figure product has been deleted from the products list.

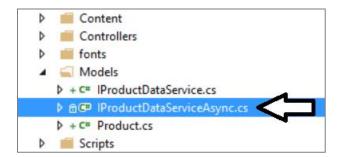


g) Close the browser, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.

Exercise 3: Create an Asynchronous Controller Class

In this exercise, you will begin to work with the asynchronous method execution support in the .NET framework and with asynchronous controller support in ASP.NET MVC. You will begin by creating a new asynchronous version of the **IProductDataService** interface and then you will add some pre-provided code to your project that implements the asynchronous interface. After that, you will modify the action methods of the **ProductsController** class to execute in an asynchronous fashion.

- 1. Create the IProductDataServiceAsync interface.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, right-click on the Models folder and click the Add > Class... menu command.
 - b) In the Add New Item dialog, give the new class file a name of IProductDataServiceAsync.cs.

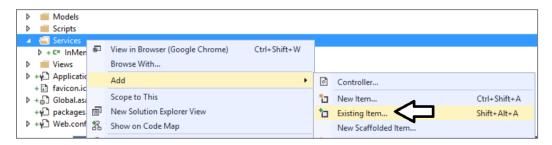


c) Delete the contents of IProductDataServiceAsync.cs and replace it with the following code.

```
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace ProductManagerMVC.Models {
   public interface IProductDataServiceAsync {
      Task<IQueryable<Product>> GetAllProductsAsync();
      Task<Product> GetProductAsync(int id);
      Task AddProductAsync(Product product);
      Task DeleteProductAsync(int id);
      Task UpdateProductAsync(Product product);
   }
}
```

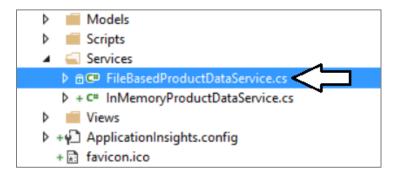
- Save your changes and close IProductDataServiceAsync.cs.
- 2. Import code into your project to provide an implementation for the FileBasedProductDataService class.
 - a) Right-click on the Services folder and select the Add > Existing Item... command.



b) When prompted for a file path, enter the following path to the C# source file named FileBasedProductDataService.cs.

C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab\StarterFiles\FileBasedProductDataService.cs

c) The source file named FileBasedProductDataService.cs should now be part of your project.



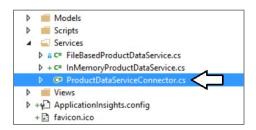
- d) Examine the code inside FileBasedProductDataService.cs.
- e) You can see that the FileBasedProductDataService class implements the IProductDataServiceAsync interface.

```
public class FileBasedProductDataService : IProductDataServiceAsync {
   // implemention omitted for brevity
}
```

f) Quickly review the code inside the **FileBasedProductDataService** class. There is no need to modify any of this code, but spend a minute to see how it reads and writes product data to a file named **productList.json** in the **App_Data** folder.

Like the InMemoryProductDataService class, the FileBasedProductDataService class is best used in proof-of-concept demos that only involve a single user. It contains no logic for dealing with concurrency or synchronizing update operations across multiple user.

- Create the ProductDataServiceConnector class to completely decouple controller classes from data access code.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, right-click on the Models folder and click the Add > Class... menu command.
 - b) In the Add New Item dialog, give the new class file a name of ProductDataServiceConnector.cs.



c) Implement the **ProductDataServiceConnector** class by adding two methods named **GetProductDataService** and **GetAsyncProductDataService** as shown in the following code listing.

```
using ProductManagerMVC.Models;
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Services {
  public class ProductDataServiceConnector {
    public static IProductDataService GetProductDataService() {
      return new InMemoryProductDataService();
    }
  public static IProductDataServiceAsync GetAsyncProductDataService() {
      return new FileBasedProductDataService();
    }
}
```

- d) Save your changes and close ProductDataServiceConnector.cs.
- 4. Update the ProductsController class to use the ProductDataServiceConnector class.
 - a) Open ProductsController.cs in a code editor window.
 - b) You should see that there is code to initialize the **productService** field by using the C# **new** operator to create a new instance of the **InMemoryProductDataService** class.

```
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Controllers {
   public class ProductsController : Controller {
    private IProductDataService productService = new InMemoryProductDataService();
    public ActionResult Index() {
       return View(productService.GetAllProducts());
    }
...
```

c) Rewrite the code to initialize the productService field by calling ProductDataServiceConnector.GetProductDataService.

private IProductDataService productService = ProductDataServiceConnector.GetProductDataService();

- Test out the ProductManagerMVC project in the Visual Studio Debugger.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging session.
 - b) At this point, the application should work just as it did before. The only difference is now the **ProductsController** uses the **ProductDataServiceConnector** class to eliminate dependencies on any specific data service class implementation.
- 6. Update the actions of the ProductsController class to support asynchronous execution.
 - a) Update the type of the productService field to be IProductDataServiceAsync instead of IProductDataService.
 - b) Initialize the productService field by calling ProductDataServiceConnector.GetAsyncProductDataService.

```
private IProductDataServiceAsync productService =
    ProductDataServiceConnector.GetAsyncProductDataService();
```

c) After the last change, you should notice that the code in the **ProductsController** class no longer compiles. For example, there is a compile-time error in the **Index** action method in the code that calls **GetAllProducts**.

```
private IProductDataServiceAsync productService =
public ActionResult Index() {
   return View(productService.GetAllProducts());
}
```

d) Add the following **using** statement to the top of **ProductsController.cs**.

using System. Threading. Tasks;

e) Move down to the Index action method and examine the top line which defines the method signature.

public ActionResult Index()

f) Change the signature of the **Index** method to support asynchronous execution.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Index()
```

g) Modify the implementation of the Index method to call GetAllProductsAsync using the await operator.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Index() {
    return View(await productService.GetAllProductsAsync());
}
```

h) Change the signature of the **Details** method to support asynchronous execution.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Details(int? id)
```

i) Modify the implementation of the **Details** method to call **GetProductAsync** using the **await** operator.

```
Product product = await productService.GetProductAsync(id.Value);
```

- j) Leave the signature for the first **Create** method the way it is.
- k) Change the signature of the second Create method to support asynchronous execution.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Create
```

I) Modify the implementation of the second Create method to call AddProductAsync using the await operator.

```
await productService.AddProductAsync(product);
```

m) Change the signature of the first Edit method to support asynchronous execution.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Edit(int? id)
```

n) Modify the implementation of the first **Edit** method to call **GetProductAsync** using the **await** operator.

```
Product product = await productService.GetProductAsync(id.Value);
```

o) Change the signature of the second **Edit** method to support asynchronous execution.

```
[HttpPost, ValidateAntiForgeryToken] public async Task<ActionResult> Edit
```

p) Modify the implementation of the second Edit method to call UpdateProductAsync using the await operator.

```
await productService.UpdateProductAsync(product);
```

q) Change the signature of the **Delete** method to support asynchronous execution.

```
public async Task<ActionResult> Delete(int? id)
```

r) Modify the implementation of the **Delete** method to call **GetProductAsync** using the **await** operator.

```
Product product = await productService.GetProductAsync(id.Value);
```

s) Change the signature of the **DeleteConfirmed** action method to support asynchronous execution.

```
[HttpPost, ActionName("Delete"), ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public async Task<ActionResult> DeleteConfirmed(int id)
```

t) Modify the implementation of the DeleteConfirmed method to call DeleteProductAsync using the await operator.

```
[HttpPost, ActionName("Delete"), ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
public async Task<ActionResult> DeleteConfirmed(int id) {
   await productService.DeleteProductAsync(id);
   return RedirectToAction("Index");
}
```

- u) Save your changes to the ProductsController class.
- 7. Run the ProductManagerMVC project in the Visual Studio debugger to test out the new asynchronous controller support.
 - a) Press the {F5} key to start a Visual Studio debugging sessions.
 - b) Test out all the views of the **Products** controller to make sure they all still work as they did before.

The **Products** controller should continue to work just as it did before The only difference is now the action methods of the **Products** controller class are being executed in an asynchronous fashion which makes your code more scalable when run in an Azure web app.

Exercise 4: Create a Controller with a Custom View Model

In this exercise you will create a new controller class named **ProductShowcaseController** to provide an enhanced user interface experience for browsing through the available catalog of products. You will also create a class named **ProductShowcaseViewModel** to pass a strongly-typed object from the **ProductShowcaseController** class to its underling view.

- 1. Create a new class named ProductShowcaseViewModel to serve as a view model class.
 - a) In Solution Explorer, right-click on the Models folder and click the Add > Class... menu command.
 - b) In the Add New Item dialog, give the new class file a name of ProductShowcaseViewModel.cs.

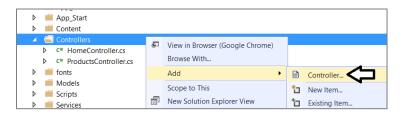
```
D Controllers
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D + C= IProductDataServiceAsync.cs
D + C= Product.cs
D ⊕ ProductShowcaseViewModel.cs
D Scripts
D Services
```

Delete the contents of ProductShowcaseViewModel.cs and replace it with the following code.

```
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
namespace ProductManagerMVC.Models {
  public class ProductShowcaseViewModel {
    public IQueryable<Product> Products { get; set; }
    public IEnumerable<string> Categories{ get; set; }
}
```

d) Save your changes and close ProductShowcaseViewModel.cs.

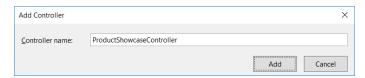
- Create the ProductShowcaseController class.
 - a) Right-click on the Controllers folder and click the Add > Controller menu command.



b) In the Add Scaffold dialog, select MVC 5 Controller Empty and click the Add button.



c) In the Add Controller dialog, enter a Controller name of ProductShowcaseController and click the Add button.



d) There should now be a third source file named ProductShowcaseController.cs in the Controllers folder.



e) Delete the contents of ProductShowcaseController.cs and replace it with the following code.

f) Implement the **Index** method using the following code.

- g) Create a new view for the Index method by right-clicking the method and selecting the Add View command.
- h) In the **Add View** dialog, click the **Add** button to create the new view.
- i) Once Visual Studio has created the Index.cshtml view file for the ProductShowcase controller, delete all the code inside.
- j) Using Windows Explorer, locate the file named ProductShowcase_Index.cshtml.txt at the following location.

C:\Student\Modules\03_MvcWebApps\Lab\Snippets\ProductShowcase_Index.cshtml.txt

- k) Double-click on **ProductShowcase Index.cshtml.txt** to open this file in Notepad.
- I) Copy the contents of ProductShowcase_Index.cshtml.txt to the Windows clipboard.
- m) Return to Visual Studio and paste the content of the Windows clipboard into Index.cshtml.
- n) Examine the structure of the HTML code inside **Index.cshtml**. where you will find a **sidebar** section and a **main** section.

```
| Cdiv class="row">
| Cdiv class="container">
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| Cdiv class="row row-offcanvas row-offcanvas-left">
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```

o) Examine the razor view code in the sidebar section.

```
<!-- sidebar -->
<div class="col-xs-6 col-sm-2 sidebar-offcanvas" id="sidebar" role="navigation">
 @Html.ActionLink("All Categories",
            "Index",
"ProductShowcase",
             null,
             new { @class = "nav navbar-link" })
    </1i>
    @Html.ActionLink(category,
              "Index",
"ProductShowcase",
              new { categoryFilter = category },
              new { @class = "nav navbar-link" })
     </1i>
  </nav>
</div>
```

p) Examine the razor view code in the main area section. There is a top-level **@foreach** loop that generates an instance of a templated div element for each product in the products list.

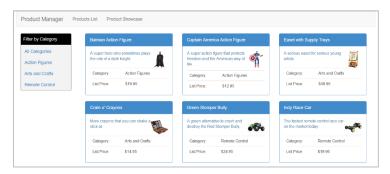
q) Examine the razor code inside the **<div>** template for displaying product information.

```
<!-- main area -->
<div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-10">
 @foreach (var product in Model.Products) {
    string productImageUrl = "../Content/ProductImages/" + product.ProductImageUrl;
<div class="col-lg-4 col-md-5 col-sm-6">
      <div class="panel panel-primary productPanel";</pre>
        <div class="panel-heading">@product.Name</div>
        <div class="panel-body";</pre>
          <img src="@productImageUrl" class="product-image" />
          @product.Description
<div class="" style="clear: both;">
            Category:
                @product.Category
              List Price:
                @product.ListPrice.ToString("$0.00")
            </div>
       </div>
      </div>
    </div>
</div>
```

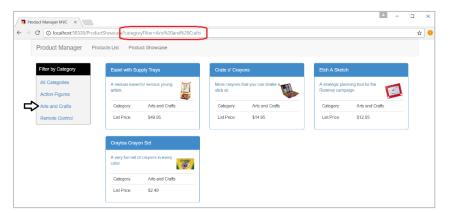
- r) Save your changes and close Index.cshtml.
- 3. Add a navigation link to the **ProductSowcase** controller.
 - a) Open the shared layouts file named _Layouts.cshtml and add a new navigation link as shown in the following code listing.

```
    <!-- <li> elements with nav links go here -->
    @Html.ActionLink("Products List","Index","Products")
    @Html.ActionLink("Product Showcase", "Index", "ProductShowcase")
```

- b) Save your changes and close **_Layouts.cshtml**.
- Test out the ProductShowcase controller.
 - a) Press the **{F5}** key to start a Visual Studio debugging sessions.
 - b) When the application loads, click the **Product Showcase** navigation link.
 - c) You should see product data displayed in a flowing layouts that matches the following screenshot.



d) Click on each of the categories in the left navigation menu. When you click on a specific product category, the page should refresh just showing the products in that category.



e) Once you have tested the application, close the browser, return to Visual Studio and stop the debugger.

Congratulations. You have now made it to the end of this lab.

If you have more time and you are up for a challenge, see how long it takes you to deploy the **ProductManagerMVC** project to a new Azure web app with a URL ending with **azurewebsites.net** to make it accessible to anyone on the Internet.