Beginning Ruby on Rails

Session Seven

Catching Up

git clone git://github.com/anthonylewis/issues.git

cd issues

bundle install

rake db:migrate

More Rails Gems

- Add features with little code
- Customizing Devise
- Authorization
- File Uploads
- Pagination
- Search

Customizing Devise

Making users work the way we want.

Adding Usernames

- rails generate migration
 add_username_to_users username:string
- rake db:migrate

Add attr accessible :username in model

Changing Views

- rails generate devise:views
- app/views/devise/registration/edit.html.erb

```
<%= f.label :username %><br />
<%= f.email_field :username %>
```

Update Layout

Edit app/views/layouts/application.html.erb

```
<% if user_signed_in? %>
    <%= link_to "Profile", edit_user_registration_path %> |
    <%= link_to "Sign out", destroy_user_session_path,
        :method => :delete %>
    <% else %>
        <%= link_to "Sign in", new_user_session_path %> |
        <%= link_to "Sign up", new_user_registration_path %>
        <% end %>
```

Authorization

Different users can do different things.

CanCan

- Edit Gemfile and add:
 - gem 'cancan'
- bundle install
- rails generate cancan:ability

Adding Roles

- rails generate migration add_role_to_users role:string
- rake db:migrate

Defining Roles

Edit app/models/user.rb

```
attr_accessible :email, :password,
    :password_confirmation, :remember_me,
    :role

ROLES = ['admin', 'moderator', 'user']
```

app/views/devise/registration/edit.html.erb

Abilities

- Edit app/models/ability.rb
- Abilities
 - :create, :read, :update, :destroy, :manage
- Conditions
 - Hash of attributes

```
def initialize(user)
  user | |= User.new # guest user (not logged in)
  if user.role == 'admin'
    can :manage, :all
  elsif user.role == 'moderator'
    can [:create, :read], Issue
    can :manage, Note
  elsif user.role == 'user'
    can [:create, :read], :all
    can :manage, Issue, :user_id => user.id
  else
    can :read, [Issue, Note]
  end
end
```

Edit app/views/issues/index.html.erb

```
<% if can? :create, Issue %>
     <%= link_to 'New Issue', new_issue_path %>
<% end %>
```

Edit app/views/issues/index.html.erb

Update Controllers

app/controllers/application_controller.rb

```
rescue_from CanCan::AccessDenied do lexception!
  flash[:alert] = "Access denied."
  redirect_to root_url
end
```

Update Controllers

app/controllers/issues_controller.rb

class IssuesController < ApplicationController
 authorize_resource</pre>

Pagination

What if we have lots of issues?

Will_Paginate

- Edit Gemfile and add:
 - gem 'will_paginate'
- bundle install

Update Controller

Edit app/controllers/issues_controller.rb

```
def index
  @issues = Issue.paginate
    :page => params[:page], :per_page => 5

  respond_to do |format|
    format.html # index.html.erb
    format.xml { render :xml => @issues }
  end
end
```

• Edit app/views/issues/index.html.erb

will_paginate @issues %>

Search

Why click through all the pages?

MetaSearch

- Edit Gemfile and add:
 - gem 'meta_search'
- bundle install

Update Controller

Edit app/controllers/issues_controller.rb

Edit app/views/issues/index.html.erb

File Uploads

Paperclip

- Edit Gemfile and add:
 - gem "paperclip", "~> 2.3"
- bundle install

Paperclip

- rails generate paperclip user photo
- rake db:migrate

Update Model

Edit app/models/user.rb

```
attr_accessible :email, :password,
    :password_confirmation, :remember_me,
    :username, :role, :photo

ROLES = ['admin', 'moderator', 'user']
has_attached_file :photo
```

- app/views/devise/registration/edit.html.erb
- Form must be 'multipart' to upload files:

```
:html => { :method => :put, :multipart => true }
```

- app/views/devise/registration/edit.html.erb
- Add a file field to select the file:

```
<%= f.file_field :photo %>
```

- app/views/devise/registration/edit.html.erb
- Add an image tag to display it:

Homework

There's always more to do.

Learn More

- Keep up-to-date with RailsCasts
 - http://railscasts.com
- Screencasts covering current topics
- Most are only 10-15 minutes long