Web Development



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Following Friends

Modeling Following List - Current User Model

```
public class User extends Model
 public String firstName;
 public String lastName;
 public String email;
 public String password;
 public String statusText;
 public User(String firstName, String lastName, String email, String password)
   this.firstName = firstName;
   this.lastName = lastName;
   this.email = email;
   this.password = password;
 public static User findByEmail(String email)
    return find("email", email).first();
 public boolean checkPassword(String password)
    return this.password.equals(password);
```

Following Model

```
public static void follow(Long id)
{
   User userToFollow = User.findById(id);
   Logger.info("Following " + userToFollow.firstName);
   index();
}
```

- Intent: wish to model a relationship between two users:
 - A User who 'requests' a friendship the source
 - A User who is the the subject of the request -the target

New Model - Friendship

- Model a relationship between two users:
 - A User who 'requests' a friendship - the source
 - A User who is the the subject of the request the target

```
@Entity
public class Friendship extends Model
  @ManyToOne()
  public User sourceUser;
  @ManyToOne()
  public User targetUser;
  public Friendship(User source, User target)
    sourceUser = source;
    targetUser = target;
```

User->Friendship

```
@Entity
public class User extends Model
{
    //...

@OneToMany(mappedBy = "sourceUser")
    public List<Friendship> friendships = new ArrayList<Friendship>();
    //...
}
```

- User Class has 'many' friendship objects representing the list of friends the user has
- Implemented as a List<Friendship> called 'friendships'

- OneToMany & ManyToOne in a symmetrical relationship
- Visualise as each User having a list of friends
- The list is in fact a collection of friendship objects
- To be explored more throughly in Semester 2!

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```
@Entity
public class Friendship extends Model
{
    @ManyToOne()
    public User sourceUser;

    @ManyToOne()
    public User targetUser;

public Friendship(User source, User target)
    {
        sourceUser = source;
        targetUser = target;
    }
}
```

Managing the Relationship: befriend

- Each User class will have a 'befriend' method
- This will:
 - create a new friendship object
 - store it in the users list of friendships
 - save the user object, as we have just made a change to its state

```
@Entity
public class User extends Model
{
    //...
    public void befriend(User friend)
    {
        Friendship friendship = new Friendship(this, friend);
        friendships.add(friendship);
        friendship.save();
        save();
    }
    //...
}
```

Managing the Relationship: unfriend

- Each User class will also have an 'unfriend' method
- This will:
 - locate the friendship object in the list of friendships
 - Remove this object from the list
 - Delete the object from the database
 - save the user object, as we have just made a change to its state

```
@Entity
public class User extends Model
 //...
 public void unfriend(User friend)
    Friendship thisFriendship = null;
    for (Friendship friendships)
      if (friendship.targetUser== friend)
       thisFriendship = friendship;
    friendships.remove(thisFriendship);
    thisFriendship.delete();
   save();
```

Implementing the 'Follow' Action

- Get the User we have been asked to follow (into 'friend')
- Get the currently logged in user (into 'me')
- Befriend the user
- Redisplay the home page

```
public static void follow(Long id)
{
   User friend = User.findById(id);

   String userId = session.get("logged_in_userid");
   User me = User.findById(Long.parseLong(userId));

   me.befriend(friend);
   index();
}
```

Displaying the Friends List on Home View

- Currently 'Hard Coded'
- Will need to replace with a 'loop' that lists out the friends.

All the information we need is already available to the view.

```
public static void index()
{
   String userId = session.get("logged_in_userid");
   User user = User.findById(Long.parseLong(userId));
   render(user);
}
```

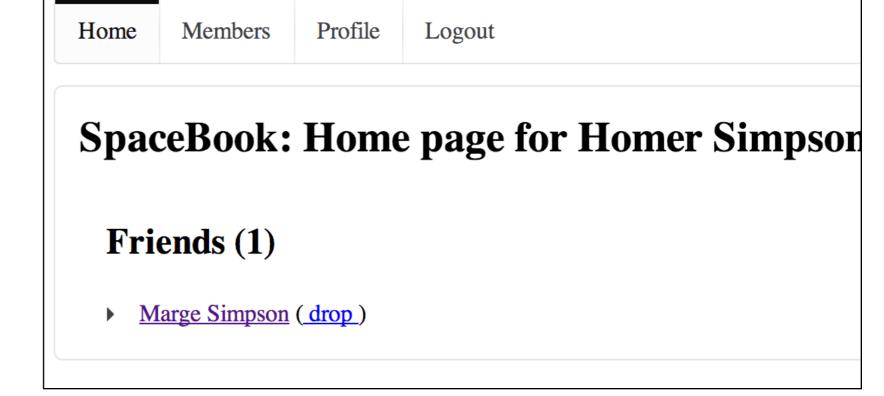
• In the view, write a 'foreach' loop to walk through the 'following' list in the user object

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    User user = User.findById(Long.parseLong(userId));
    render(user);
}
```

Just displays list of friends names - no links

Introduce Link to friends public profile page

introduce Link to drop friend from friends list



Dropping Friends

Friends

Marge Simpson (drop)

- Find the currently logged in user
- Find the user we want to drop
- drop the friend (unfriend)
- Redisplay the view

```
public class Home extends Controller
 //...

↓ public static void drop(Long id)
   String userId = session.get("logged_in_userid");
   User user = User.findById(Long.parseLong(userId));
   User friend = User.findById(id);
   user.unfriend(friend);
    Logger.info("Dropping " + friend.email);
    index();
```



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