

A request with parameters

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Imagine you want to load a single location...

How do you identify it in a URL?



/locations/384

id attribute

/locations/party

name attribute



/locations

Get all Locations

/locations/482

Get location with id=482



/locations

Get all the locations → #index

/locations/482

Get locations with $id=482 \rightarrow \#show$



```
/locations/482
Get locations with id=482 → #show
/locations/34
/locations/81
```

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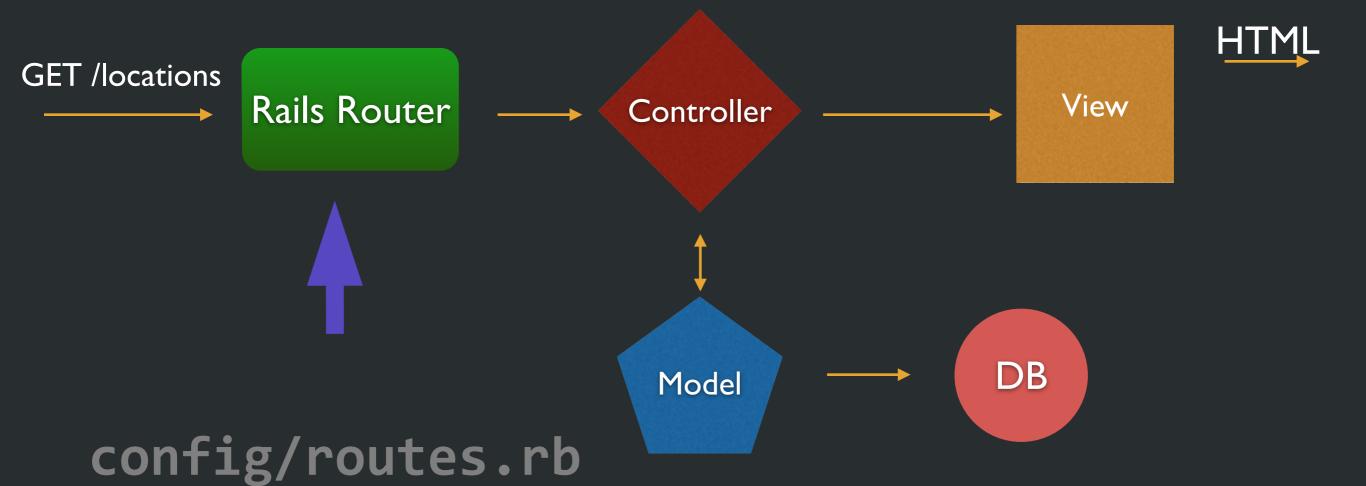




CRUD verbs and actions

| HTTP Verb | Path | Controller#Action | Used for |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|--|
| GET | /photos | photos#index | display a list of all photos |
| GET | /photos/new | photos#new | return an HTML form for creating a new photo |
| POST | /photos | photos#create | create a new photo |
| GET | /photos/:id | photos#show | display a specific photo |
| GET | /photos/:id/edit | photos#edit | return an HTML form for editing a photo |
| PATCH/PUT | /photos/:id | photos#update | update a specific photo |
| DELETE | /photos/:id | photos#destroy | delete a specific photo |





```
Rails.application.routes.draw do
  root 'home#welcome'
  get 'locations' => 'locations#index'
  get 'locations/:id' => 'locations#show'
end
```



The params object



The params object

- Every request with dynamic parameters stores them in the params object
- It's a Hash, where the key is the name of the parameter and the value is the value of the parameter



In Browser try







localhost:3000/locations?my_variable=my_value

Check the logs

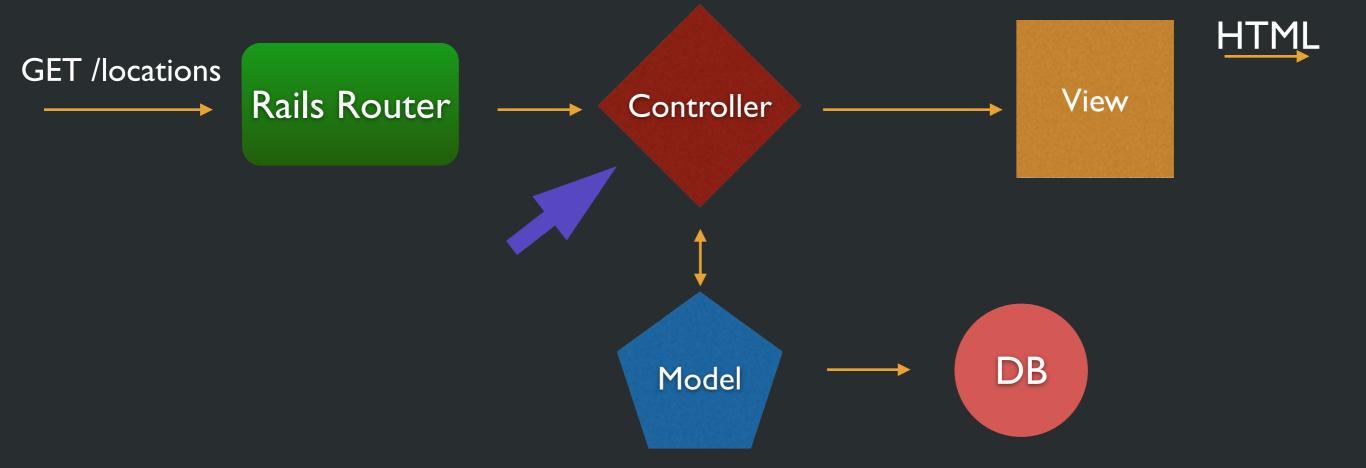
Started GET "/locations?my_variable=my_value" for 10.0.2.2 at 2014-06-29 12:21:47 +0000 Processing by LocationsController#index as HTML Parameters: {"my_variable"=>"my_value"}



/locations/<id> Parameter!

```
/locations/482 → params[:id] == 482
/locations/34 → params[:id] == 34
```

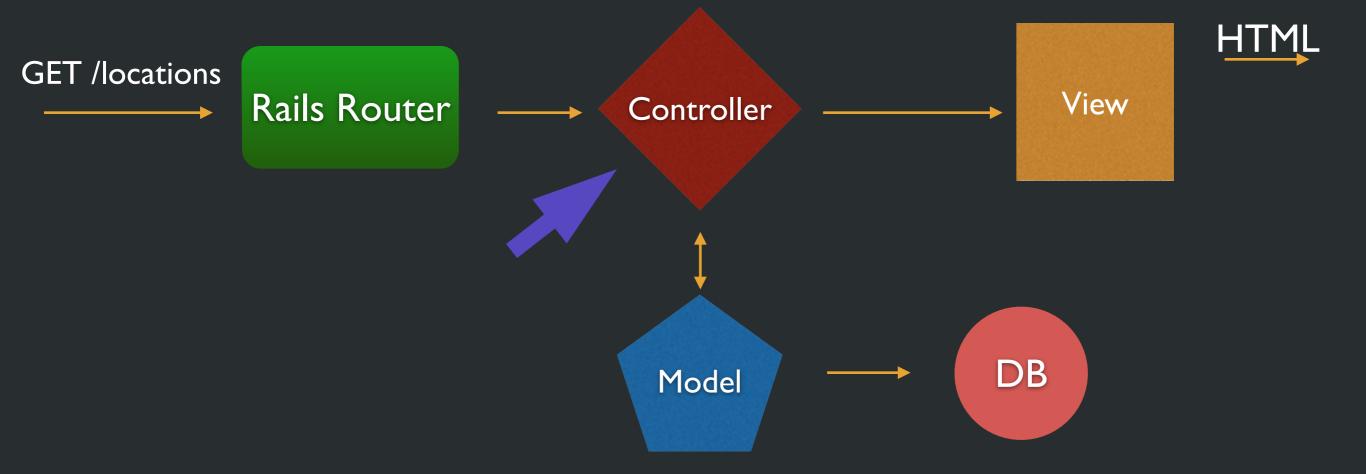




/controllers/locations_controller.rb

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class LocationsController < ApplicationController
  def index
    @locations = Location.last_created(10)
  end
end</pre>
```





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  end

def show
    @location = Location.find(params[:id])
  end
end</pre>
```



Exercise #17

Create a template for the #show action that displays the name and additional details of the location



your tasks:

- how do I test a controller? -> rspec rails docu
- how do I test which template is rendered?
- how do I test if a location is assigned?
- how do I test if the response is a success?



Solution #17

What is the name and the path of the file?

app/views/locations/show.html.erb



Solution #17

What is the ERB template that renders this HTML?

```
<h1>Home</h1>City
```



Solution #17

app/views/locations/show.html.erb

```
<h1><\p= @location.name %></h1><\p= @location.city %>
```

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Run the server

\$ rails s

And visit

http://localhost:3000/locations/1



Exercise #18

What happens when the id doesn't belong to an existing location?



ActiveRecord::RecordNotFound in LocationsController#show

Couldn't find Location with 'id'=666

```
Extracted source (around line #7):

5
6 def show
7 @location = Location.find(params[:id])
8 end
9 end
10
```

Rails.root: /vagrant/meet_me

Application Trace | Framework Trace | Full Trace

app/controllers/locations_controller.rb:7:in `show'

Request

Parameters:

```
{"id"=>"666"}
```



ActiveRecord::RecordNotFound

• It's a Ruby exception

We need to rescue it to avoid a noise error
 500 in production logs



How to rescue: #1

• Use rescue

```
def show
  @location = Location.find(params[:id])
rescue ActiveRecord::RecordNotFound
  render status: 404,
  file: "#{Rails.root}/public/404"
end
```



How to rescue: #2

rescue for all controllers

```
class LocationsController < ApplicationController</pre>
```



How to rescue: #3

Avoid the exception

```
def show
  @location = Location.find_by(id: params[:id])
  render status: 404,
  file: "#{Rails.root}/public/404" unless @location
end
```

http status Code for not Found



What do you prefer?





