



Paths and URLs

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An HTML link

```
<a href="/locations">Locations</a>
```

```
<a href="/">Home</a>
```

```
<a href="/locations/3/visits">Visits in  
Barcelona</a>
```

Rails provides a way to
create automatic links
based in the routes file

```
Rails.application.routes.draw do
  root 'home#welcome'

  resources :locations do
    resources :visits
  end

end
```

	Prefix	Verb	URI Pattern	Controller#Action
	root	GET	/	home#welcome
location_visits		GET	/locations/:location_id/visits(.:format)	visits#index
		POST	/locations/:location_id/visits(.:format)	visits#create
new_location_visit		GET	/locations/:location_id/visits/new(.:format)	visits#new
edit_location_visit		GET	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id/edit(.:format)	visits#edit
location_visit		GET	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id(.:format)	visits#show
		PATCH	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id(.:format)	visits#update
		PUT	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id(.:format)	visits#update
		DELETE	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id(.:format)	visits#destroy
locations		GET	/locations(.:format)	locations#index
		POST	/locations(.:format)	locations#create
new_location		GET	/locations/new(.:format)	locations#new
edit_location		GET	/locations/:id/edit(.:format)	locations#edit
location		GET	/locations/:id(.:format)	locations#show
		PATCH	/locations/:id(.:format)	locations#update
		PUT	/locations/:id(.:format)	locations#update
		DELETE	/locations/:id(.:format)	locations#destroy

Resource CRUDING

Read a resource

location GET /locations/:id(.:format)

locations#show

Method: GET

Path: /locations/:id

C#A: locations#show

Helper: location_path

Example: /locations/33

Resource CRUDING

Create a resource

POST /locations(.:format)

locations#create

Method: **POST**

Path: /locations

C#A: locations#create

Helper: locations_path

Example: /locations

Resource CRUDING

Update a resource

location PATCH /locations/:id(.:format)
location PUT /locations/:id(.:format)

locations#update
locations#update

Method: **PATCH or PUT**
Path: /locations/:id
C#A: locations#update
Helper: location_path
Example: /locations/33

Let's implement some links

Our objective

In the list of locations page:
each location should link to its visits page

How to link locations

1. Search for the destination page URL in the list of routes

location_visits GET /locations/:location_id/visits(.:format) visits#index

How to link locations

2. Get the URL helper name

`location_visits` GET `/locations/:location_id/visits(.:format)` `visits#index`

How to link locations

3. Use it

```
<h1>Locations</h1>
<ul>
  <% @locations.each do |location| %>
    <li>
      <% if location.name.present? %>
        <%= location.name %> -
      <% end %>
      <%= location.city %>
    </li>
  <% end %>
</ul>
```

How to link locations

```
<%= link_to location.name, location_visits_path(location) %>
```

or the longer form

```
<%= link_to location.name, location_visits_path(location.id) %>
```

How to link locations

3. Use it

```
<% if location.name.present? %>
  <%= link_to location.name, location_visits_path(location) %> -
  <%= location.city %>
<% else %>
  <%= link_to location.city, location_visits_path(location) %>
<% end %>
```

How to link locations

```
<%= link_to location.name, location_visits_path(location) %>
```



```
<a href="<%= location_visits_path(location) %>">  
  <%= location.name %>  
</a>
```


Helper method arguments

```
<%= link_to location.name, location_visits_path(location) %>
```

`/locations/:location_id/visits`



Exercise #28

Add a couple of links to the location

1. in the page of visits, link to the locations page and to the new visit page
2. in the page of new visits, add a link with the text “Cancel” to the visits list of a location

Other forms of routing helpers

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app/views/visits/new.html.erb

```
<%= form_for [@location, @visit] do |f| %>
<% end %>
```



location_visits	POST	/locations/:location_id/visits(.:format)	visits#create
location_visit	PUT	/locations/:location_id/visits/:id(.:format)	visits#update