# Assignment for Module #2: Active Record Relationships

The overall goal of this assignment is to assess your ability to implement and use Active Record model relationships. This includes:

- Creating Active Record models and relationships between the models using a rails-provided generator (rails g model or rails g scaffold)
- Providing validations for models (using built-in Active Record validations as well as custom validations)
- Implementing a grandparent relationship with a :through option
- Providing bootstrap data using a seeds.rb file
- Implementing default scope queries
- Implementing aggregation queries
- Implementing advanced queries (e.g., SQL snippets)
- Implementing model/database (DB) cascades

The functional goal of this assignment is to implement relationships and query behavior for the following four (4) model classes

- 1. User
- 2. Profile
- 3. TodoList
- 4. Todoltem

#### **Functional Requirements**

- 1. Create several Active Record model classes some of which will have relationships defined when they are created
  - User
  - Profile
  - TodoList
  - Todoltem
- 2. Create database migrations for relationships not present when the model classes were created
- 3. Create a DB schema for each model class and their relationships
- 4. Populate the DB with bootstrap data
- 5. Implement relationship features
- 6. Implement model class features

#### **Getting Started**

- 1. Create a new Rails application called todolists. This will look quite a bit like what you did in the module 1 assignment.
- 2. Add the following specification to your Gemfile.

```
group :test do
gem 'rspec-rails', '~> 3.0'
end
```

- 3. Run the bundle command to resolve new gems
- 4. From the todolists application root directory, initialize the rspec tests using rails generate rspec:install command.

```
[todolists]$ rails generate rspec:install
create .rspec
create spec
create spec/spec_helper.rb
create spec/rails_helper.rb
```

Add the following line to .rspec to add verbose output to test results.

--format documentation

5. Download and extract the starter set of boostrap files.

```
|-- Gemfile

`-- spec

`-- assignment_spec.rb
```

- overwrite your existing Gemfile with the Gemfile from the bootstrap fileset. They should be nearly identical, but
  this is done to make sure the gems and versions you use in your solution can be processed by the automated
  Grader when you submit. Any submission should be tested with this version of the file.
- add the spec/assignment\_spec.rb file provided with the bootstrap fileset to the corresponding spec directory that already exists under your application root directory (e.g., application-rootdirectory/spec/assignment\_spec.rb). This file contains tests that will help determine whether you have completed the assignment.
- 6. Run the rspec test(s) to receive feedback. rspec must be run from the root directory of your application. All tests will (obviously) fail until you complete the specified solution.

```
$ rspec
...
Finished in 0.02831 seconds (files took 1.39 seconds to load)
56 examples, 1 failure, 54 pending
```

To focus test feedback on a specific step of the requirements, add "-e rq##" to the rspec command line to only evaluate that requirement. Pad all step numbers to two digits.

```
$ rspec -e rq01
Run options: include {:full_description=>/rq01/}

Assignment rq01
Generate Rails application must have top level structure of a rails application

Finished in 0.00356 seconds (files took 1.3 seconds to load)
1 example, 0 failures
```

```
$ rspec -e rq02
...
Finished in 0.00422 seconds (files took 2.16 seconds to load)
6 examples, 1 failure, 5 pending
Failed examples:
rspec ./spec/assignment_spec.rb:50 # Assignment rq02 User Model: User class created
```

- 7. Implement your Models and use the rspec tests to help verify your completed solution.
- 8. Submit your Rails app solution for grading.

## **Technical Requirements**

1. Create a new Rails app called todolists. Use the Gemfile provided in the boostrap files. Do not change the Gemfile from what is provided or your submitted solution may not be able to be processed by the grader (i.e., do not add any additional gems or change gem versions).

An Entity Relationship (ER) diagram is provided below to help depict each Model's relationship:

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\1 * |-----| 1 * |-----|
\----| TodoList |-----| Todoltem |
|------|
```

- 2. Re-use the User model class and database table creation commands implemented in Assignment 1. (i.e., you may re-use the exact rails generate command you used to generate this class from the previous assignment)
  - User
    - username a string to hold account identity
    - password digest a string to hold password information

Reminder: Ruby/Rails conventions are that class names are CamelCase and file and method names are snake\_case.

You must migrate the database schema at this time and in between each of the following steps to be able to pass the rspec tests incrementally.

```
$ rake db:migrate
$ rspec -e rq02
Run options: include {:full_description=>/rq02/}

Assignment
rq02
User Model:
User class created
User database structure in place
User class properties added
should respond to #username
should respond to #password_digest
should respond to #created_at
should respond to #updated_at

Finished in 0.19157 seconds (files took 1.27 seconds to load)
6 examples, 0 failures
```

- 3. Re-use the Profile model class and database table creation commands implemented in Assignment 1, except this time create it with a reference to User when you create the model class. The grader will look for the relationship to be included in the initial create table migration for this model class.
  - Profile
    - gender a string to hold the words "male" or "female"
    - birth\_year a number to hold the year the individual was born
    - first name a string with given name of user
    - last\_name a string with family name of user
    - user a 1:1 relationship with User (i.e., Profile belongs to User)

Also define the 1:1 has\_one relationship in the User model class.

- User
  - profile a 1:1 relationship with Profile (i.e., User has\_one profile). Add appropriate options to have the User model class delete a Profile in a cascading fashion

Reminder: Relationships are only generated or migrated in the class forming the relationship (e.g., the many-side of a many:1). The inverse side of a relationship (e.g., the one-side of a 1:many) need only have the relationship declared in the model class and not in the database migration. In this case, Profile is forming the relationship in the database and User is the inverse side.

```
$ rake db:migrate
$ rspec -e rq03
```

- 4. Re-use the TodoList model class implemented in Assignment 1 (i.e., you may re-use the exact rails generate command you used to generate this class from the previous assignment). The grader will look for no relations in the initial create table migration for this model class.
  - TodoList
    - list name a string name assigned to the list
    - list due date a date when todo items in the list are to be complete. This is a date. We are not concerned with the time of day.

\$ rake db:migrate \$ rspec -e rq04

5. Create a database migration (hint: rails g migration) that adds a database reference from the TodoLists table to the Users table. The grader will look for this relationship to be formed by a database table migration.

Also define the many:1 belongs to relationship in the TodoList model class.

- TodoList
  - user a many:1 relationship with User (i.e., TodoList belongs to User)

Also define the 1:many has many relationship in the User model class.

- User
  - todo lists a 1:many relationship with TodoList (i.e., User has many todo lists). Add appropriate options to have the User model class delete a TodoList in a cascading fashion

\$ rake db:migrate \$ rspec -e rq05

- 6. Re-use the Todoltem model class implemented in Assignment 1, except this time create it with a many:1 belongs\_to relationship with TodoList when you create the model class. The grader will look for the relationship to be included in the initial create table migration for this model class.
  - Todoltem
    - due date date when the specific task is to be complete
    - title a string with short name for specific task
    - description a text field with narrative text for specific task
    - completed a boolean value (default=false), indicating whether item is complete
    - todo list a many:1 relationship with TodoList TodoItem belongs to TodoList

Also define the 1:many has many relationship in the TodoList model class.

- TodoList
  - todo items a 1:many relationship with Todoltem (i.e., TodoList has many todo items). Add appropriate options to have the TodoList model class delete a Todoltem in a cascading fashion

\$ rake db:migrate \$ rspec -e rq06

- 7. Migrate all database schema changes at this time if you have not yet done so. At this point you should have:
  - four (4) create table (Users, Profiles, TodoLists, and Todoltems)
  - one (1) update table migrations to add reference (TodoLists to Users)

\$ rake db:migrate

- \$ rspec -e rq07
- 8. Implement a 1:many :through relationship from User to Todoltem by using the 1:many relationship from User to TodoLists as a source.
  - User

todo\_items - a 1:many through relationship with Todoltem through TodoLists (i.e., User has\_many todo items)

\$ rspec -e rq08

- 9. Create a seeds.rb file that will clear the existing data from the model tables and load the database with
  - The four users below with their birth years:
    - Carly Fiorina, 1954
    - Donald Trump, 1946
    - Ben Carson, 1951
    - Hillary Clinton, 1947
  - Usernames (e.g., their last names) and a password for each User
  - o A Profile for each User
  - Exactly one TodoList per User that is due one year from the date the database is loaded
    - (hint: Date.today provides today's date and 1.year can be used to define one year)
  - Each TodoList contains five (5) Todoltems (there must be 20 total)
  - Each Todoltem having a due date of one year from the time the database is loaded
  - Each Todoltem must have an arbitrary title and descriptions

(Hint: you may want to consider using loops)

Once the seeds.rb file is created, populate the database using rake db:seed

\$ rake db:seed

\$ rspec -e rq09

 Add default\_scope to both TodoList and Todoltem models to always return collectons from the database ordered by due dates with earliest dates first.

\$ rspec -e rq10

- 11. Add validation to User and Profile models
- User
  - Define a validation for username to enforce that username be supplied by using a built-in validator
- Profile
  - Define custom validator that permits first\_name or last\_name to be null but not both
  - Define a validation for gender to be either "male" or "female" by using a built-in validator
  - Define custom validator that prevents anyone that is male (gender) from having the first\_name "Sue" ;)

\$ rspec -e rq11

12. Add a cascade of deletes that will remove Profile, TodoList, and Todoltem rows for any User removed.

\$ rspec -e rq12

- 13. Add a method to the User model class called get\_completed\_count, which:
  - determines the number of Todoltems the User has completed using an aggregate query function
    - (Hint: You are looking for the count of TodoItems associated with a specific User where completed:true)
  - o returns the count

\$ rspec -e rq13

14. Add a class method to the Profile class, called get all profiles, which:

- o accepts a min and max for the birth year
- issues a BETWEEN SQL clause in a where clause to locate Profiles with birth years that are between min year and max year
- o defends itself against SQL injection when applying the parameters to the SQL clauses
- o returns a collection of Profiles in ASC birth year order

\$ rspec -e rq14

## Self Grading/Feedback

Some unit tests have been provided in the bootstrap files and provide examples of tests the grader will be evaluating for when you submit your solution. They must be run from the project root directory.

\$ rspec ... Finished in 9.56 **seconds** (**files** took 1.41 **seconds to load**) 56 examples, 0 failures

You can run as many specific tests you wish be adding -e rq## -e rq##

\$ rspec -e rq01 -e rq02

#### **Submission**

Submit an .zip archive (other archive forms not currently supported) with your solution root directory as the top-level (e.g., your Gemfile and sibling files must be in the root of the archive and *not* in a sub-folder. The grader will replace the spec files with fresh copies and will perform a test with different query terms.

-- app -- assets |-- controllers |-- helpers | |-- mailers |-- models `-- views -- bin -- config -- config.ru |-- db |-- Gemfile I-- Gemfile.lock I-- lib -- log -- public -- Rakefile I-- README.rdoc I-- test -- vendor

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