Rails : Action Mailer

Action Mailer:

- Action Mailer allows you to send emails from your application using mailer classes and views.
- They inherit from **ActionMailer::Base** and will be in **app/mailers**, and they have associated views that appear in **app/views**.

Generating a Mailer:

```
rails g mailer User
```

```
# app/mailers/application_mailer.rb
class ApplicationMailer < ActionMailer::Base
    default from: "from@example.com"
    layout 'mailer'
end

# app/mailers/user_mailer.rb

class UserMailer < ApplicationMailer

    def welcome_email(user_id)
        @user = User.find(user_id)
        @url = 'http://example.com/login'
        mail(to: @user.email, subject: 'Welcome to My Awesome Site')
    end

end</pre>
```

Create a Mailer View:

Create a file called welcome_email.html.erb in app/views/user_mailer/.

```
<h1>Welcome to example.com, <%= @user.name %></h1>

You have successfully signed up to example.com,
your username is: <%= @user.login %>.<br>
```

```
To login to the site, just follow this link: <%= @url %>.

Thanks for joining and have a great day!
```

Calling the Mailer:

```
# add this line in the controller action wherever you want to trigger email
UserMailer.welcome_email(@user.id).deliver_now

#or if u want to trigger email from User model

after_create :send_welcome_email

def send_welcome_email
    UserMailer.welcome_email(self.id).deliver_now
end
```

Sending Email To Multiple Recipients:

Email settings configuration:

In config/environments/development.rb file

```
config.action_mailer.default_url_options = { host: 'localhost', port: 3000 }

config.action_mailer.delivery_method = :smtp
   config.action_mailer.perform_deliveries = true
   config.action_mailer.raise_delivery_errors = true
   config.action_mailer.default :charset => "utf-8"
   config.action_mailer.default :from => "\"Param\" <paramapps@gmail.com>"
```

```
config.action_mailer.smtp_settings = {
    :address => "smtp.gmail.com",
    :port => 587,
    :domain => 'gmail.com',
    :user_name => "<email-address>",
    :password => "<email-password>",
    :authentication => :login,
    :enable_starttls_auto => true,
# :openssl_verify_mode => 'none',
# :ssl => true,
# :tls => true
}
```

```
If you want to test with letter-opener gem in development environment

Add following gem to the Gemfile

gem "letter_opener", :group => :development

Run bundle install

In config/environments/development.rb

Remove smtp settings and place below lines

config.action_mailer.default_url_options = { host: 'localhost', port: 3000 }

config.action_mailer.delivery_method = :letter_opener

config.action_mailer.perform_deliveries = true
```

Rails: Filters

Filters:

Rails filters are methods that run before or after a controller's action method is executed.

Rails support two types of filter methods:

- Before filters
- After filters

```
# it will call load_school to all the controller actions
before_action :load_school

(OR)

# it will call load_school method to only specified actions
before_action :load_school, only: [:edit, :update, :show, :destroy]

(OR)

# it will call load_school method except the specified actions
before_action :load_school, except: [:index, :new, :create]

private
def load_school
  @school = School.find(params[:id])
end
```