Web System Development with Ruby on Rails

Day 11(6/Dec/2012)

File uploading and Image Display

Today's Theme

- Upload image files to the database, and let Memopad store the image file.
- Try some other file types, such as sound file play.

Design Concept of Image (Figure) Attachment

- Table Name: figures
- Model name : figure
- Relationship : (memos : figures) => 1 to many
  - One ’memo' can have many images (figures)
  - One picture belongs to only one memos
  - Memos which do not have figures have no problem without having any figures with it.
- Figures has ’memo_id' field for relation information.

Generate Figure model

- Input the following command to generate the model 'Figure'

```
rails generate model figure
   memo_id:integer file_name:string
   file_type:string file_size:integer
   content:binary
```

Figure class structure

```ruby
class CreateFigures < ActiveRecord::Migration
  def change
    create_table :figures do |t|
      t.integer :memo_id
      t.string :file_name
      t.string :file_type
      t.integer :file_size
      t.binary :content

      t.timestamps
    end
  end
end
```

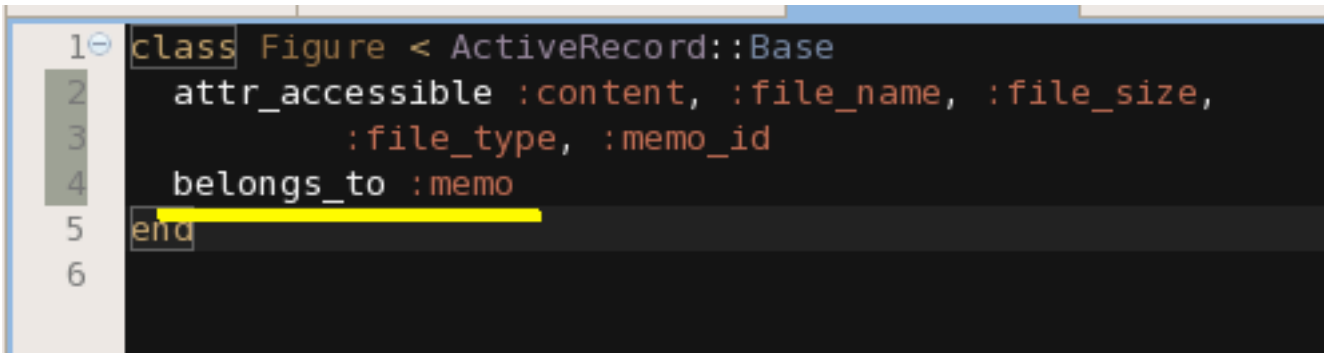
memo_id is the relation id for memos table. ‘file_type’ is MIME Type name, the kinds of type such as gif, jpg and png. Content contains the image file itself.

```
[root@cisnote memopad]# rails g model figure memo_id:integer file_name:string fi
le_type:string file_size:integer content:binary
               active_record
      create    db/migrate/20121129002705_create_figures.rb
      create    app/models/figure.rb
                test_unit
      create      test/unit/figure_test.rb
      create      test/fixtures/figures.yml
[root@cisnote memopad]# rake db:migrate
==  CreateFigures: migrating ==================================================
-- create_table(:figures)
   -> 0.1012s
==  CreateFigures: migrated (0.1014s) =========================================

[root@cisnote memopad]#
```

Setting up Relations

- Looking from figures, they only belong to one memo, so the specification of
  belongs_to :memo
  is added to figure.rb
- Modify app/models/figure.rb



Setting up Metadata

- If the image size is small, we may not mind the waiting time to show the image, instead when the file size is great, we may be irritated.
  - (It is not the sole reason.)
- So, make the metadata (data for data) to show the metadata information before we obtain the file.

Metadata Definition (figure.rb)

```
METADATA_COLUMNS = 'id, memo_id, file_name, file_size, file_type'

def self.metadatas(question)
  find :all, :select => METADATA_COLUMNS,
      :condition => ['question_id = ?', question.id]
end

def self.metadata(id)
  find id, :select => METADATA_COLUMNS
end
```

```
1  class Figure < ActiveRecord::Base
2    attr_accessible :content, :file_name, :file_size,
3            :file_type, :memo_id
4    belongs_to :memo
5    METADATA_COLUMNS = 'id, memo_id, file_name, file_size, file_type'
6
7    def self.metadatas(memo)
8      find :all, :select => METADATA_COLUMNS,
9        :condition => ['memo_id = ?', memo.id]
10   end
11
12   def self.metadata(id)
13     find id, :select => METADATA_COLUMNS
14   end
15 end
16
```

Setting up Relations (2)

- Relationship from memos to figures is “has_many”
- Here through the figures attributes of Memo class, directly access to the figures' record, defined with METADATA_COLUMNS

```
has_many :figures, :select => Figure::METADATA_COLUMNS
```

```
1  class Memo < ActiveRecord::Base
2    attr_accessible :content, :category_id
3    belongs_to :category
4    has_many :figures, :select => Figure::METADATA_COLUMNS
5  end
6
```

Add figure files, in memo creation

When a memo is created, figure files should be added to the memo.

Modify memos_controller.rb file at create method.

Method name with '?'

- respond_to?(:symbolName)

  The object is capable of responding to the caller when the “symbolName” method is called, this “respond_to?” method returns “true”. This means, that the object is installed with “symbolName” method.

app/controllers/memos_controller.rb

```
# POST /memos
# POST /memos.json
def create
  @memo = Memo.new(params[:memo])

  respond_to do |format|
    if @memo.save
      @file = params[:file][:upload]
      stat = @file.tempfile.stat
     if @file && @file.respond_to?(:original_filename)
        @memo.figures.create :file_name => @file.original_filenam
            :file_size => stat.size,
            :file_type => @file.content_type,
            :content => @file.read
      end
      format.html { redirect_to @memo, notice: 'Memo was successfully created.' }
      format.json { render json: @memo, status: :created, location: @memo }
(The rest is omitted.)
```

Add file generation to the create method. It will be executed when there is an 'original_filename' property

Note that those names are specified in the migration.

create method in memos_controller.rb

- The following lines are to be added.

```
40  # POST /memos
41  # POST /memos.json
42  def create
43    @memo = Memo.new(params[:memo])
44
45    respond_to do |format|
46      if @memo.save
47        @file = params[:file][:upload]
48        stat = @file.tempfile.stat
49        if @file && @file.respond_to?(:original_filename)
50          @memo.figures.create :file_name => @file.original_filename,
51              :file_size => stat.size,
52              :file_type => @file.content_type,
53              :content => @file.read
54        end
55        format.html { redirect_to @memo, notice: 'Memo was successfully created
56        format.json { render json: @memo, status: :created, location: @memo }
57      else
58        format.html { render action: "new" }
```

memos_controller.rb

- Add File method after the destroy method.

```
def file
  figure = Figure.find params[:id]
  filename = (params[:fileext]) ? "#{params[:filename]}.#{params[:fileext]}" :
        params[:filename]
  if filename != figure.file_name
    render :file => File.join( RAILS_ROOT, 'public', '404.html'),
           :status => 404, :layout => true
  else
    send_data figure.content,
        :filename => figure.file_name, :type=>figure.file_type
  end
end
```

File action, which is called for down loading images

```
92  def file
93    figure = Figure.find params[:id]
94    filename = (params[:fileext]) ? "#{params[:filename]}.#{params[:fi
95          params[:filename]
96    if filename != figure.file_name
97      render :file => File.join( RAILS_ROOT, 'public', '404.html'),
98             :status => 404, :layout => true
99    else
100     send_data figure.content,
101         :filename => figure.file_name, :type=>figure.file_type
102   end
103 end
104
105 end
106
```

Add route for memos#file

Edit config/routes.rb

Before resources :memos, add

get ‘memos/file’ => ‘memos#file’

```
1  Memopad::Application.routes.draw do
2    resources :categories
3
4    get 'memos/file' => 'memos#file'
5    resources :memos
6
7    # The priority is based upon order of creation:
8    # first created -> highest priority.
```

views modification

Controllers are modified, and then next few steps are to modify views image display files.

app/views/memos/_form.html.erb

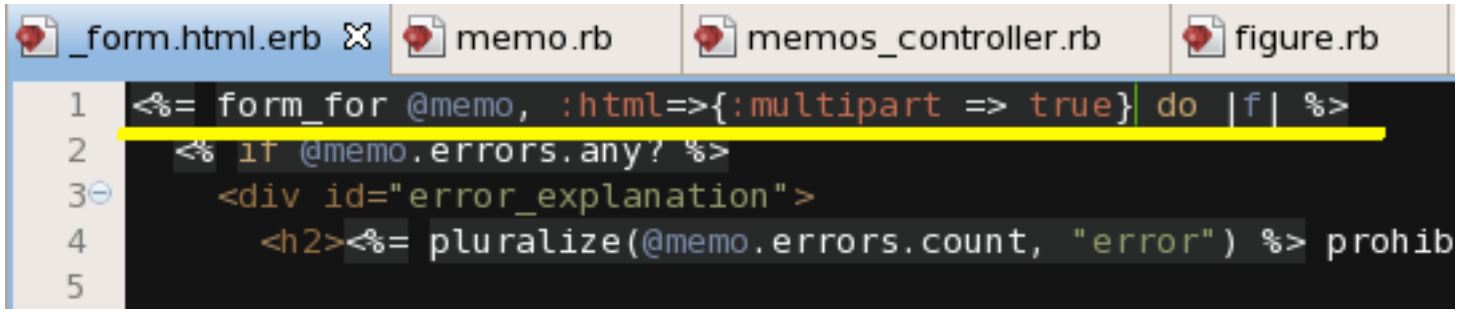
An image file generally has big size of binary information, and cannot be uploaded in only one packet.

So, set up the multi-packet transmission,

```
<%= form_for @memo, :html=>{:multipart => true} do |f| %>
```

where it used to be

```
<%= form_for (@memo) do |f| %>
```



Input for file uploading

app/views/memos/_form.html.erb

-
  <%= f.label :figure:
  <%= file_field :file, :upload %>

Uploaded file can be extracted by params[:file][:upload]

```
24  <div class="field">
25    <%= f.label :figure %><br />
26    <%= file_field :file, :upload %>
27  </div>
```

Prepare to show image file

- There are two types of modification.
- [Pattern 1]
  - To show the image itself.
- [Pattern 2]
  - Only show the link to the image file, so that users can download the file. (right-click)

Edit show.html.erb to show image.

Add the Image file display in show.html.erb

To show the image file, use helper method.

memos_helper.rb

```
module MemosHelper
 def format_column_value(ar, colname)
    if Memo === ar
      format_memo_column_value ar, colname
    elsif Figure === ar
      format_figure_column_value ar, colname
    end
  end

  def format_memo_column_value( memo, colname )
    if colname == 'created_at'
      memo.created_at.strftime '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M' if memo.created_at
    else
      colname
    end
  end

  def format_figure_column_value( atch, colname )
    if colname == 'content'
# The following two lines are to show only link to the file,
# so that users can right-click and download the image file.
#       link_to atch.name, {:action => 'file', :id => atch.id,
#         :filename => atch.name }
# The following one line is to show the image itself.
      image_tag atch.content, atch.size, atch.name
    end
  end
end
```

memos_helper.rb

```ruby
module MemosHelper
  def format_column_value(ar, colname)
    if Memo === ar
      format_memo_column_value ar, colname
    elsif Figure === ar
      format_figure_column_value ar, colname
    end
  end

  def format_memo_column_value( memo, colname )
    if colname == 'created_at'
      memo.created_at.strftime '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M' if memo.created_at
    else
      colname
    end
  end

  def format_figure_column_value( atch, colname )
    if colname == 'content'
# The following two lines are to show only link to the file,
# so that users can right-click and download the image file.
#      link_to atch.name, {:action => 'file', :id => atch.id,
#       :filename => atch.name }
# The following one line is to show the image itself.
      image_tag atch.content, atch.size, atch.name
    end
  end
end
```

=== operator in memos_helper.rb

- In this helper method, look up the attribute of each column, and choose the method to show the content.
- The operator '===' is not common in other languages. If Figure === ar means "if the object 'ar' is an instance of Figure Class."

Edit show.html.erb

```
<p id="notice"><%= notice %></p>

<p>
  <b>Content:</b>
  <%= @memo.content %>
</p>
<p>
  <b>Category:</b>
  <%=h @memo.category.name %>
</p>

<p>
  <b>Attached Figures:</b>
  <% if @memo.figures.length>0 %>
    <% for figure in @memo.figures %>
      <% if figure.file_type =~ /^image¥/.*?(png|jpeg|gif)$/ %>
        <%= image_tag url_for({:action => 'file', :id=> figure.id,
            :filename => figure.file_name}), :alt => figure.file_name %>
      <% end %>
    <% end %>
  <% end %>
  <br />
</p>

<%= link_to 'Edit', edit_memo_path(@memo) %> |
<%= link_to 'Back', memos_path %>
```

Show.html.erb file

```
1  <p id="notice"><%= notice %></p>
2
3  <p>
4    <b>Content:</b>
5    <%= @memo.content %>
6  </p>
7  <p>
8    <b>Category:</b>
9    <%=h @memo.category.name %>
10 </p>
11
```

```
11
12 <p>
13   <b>Attached Figures:</b>
14   <% if @memo.figures.length>0 %>
15     <% for figure in @memo.figures %>
16       <% if figure.file_type =~ /^image\/.*?(png|jpeg|gif)$/ %>
17         <%= image_tag url_for({:action => 'file', :id=> figure.id,
18             :filename => figure.file_name}), :alt => figure.file_name %>
19       <% end %>
20     <% end %>
21   <% end %>
22   <br />
23 </p>
24
25 <%= link_to 'Edit', edit_memo_path(@memo) %> |
26 <%= link_to 'Back', memos_path %>
27
```

index.html.erb

- For debugging purpose, in index.html.erb, let the program shows only figures are attached or not.

```
6     <th><%= t :content %></th>
7     <th>Category</th>
8     <th>Figures</th>
9     <th></th>
10    <th></th>
11    <th></th>
12  </tr>
13
14  <% @memos.each do |memo| %>
15    <tr>
16      <td><%= memo.content %></td>
17      <td><%= memo.category.name %></td>
18      <td><% if memo.figures.empty? %>
19              Empty
20          <% else %>
21              Exists
22          <% end %>
23      </td>
24      <td><%= link_to (t 'show'), memo %></td>
```

(Table part) index.html.erb

```
<table border="1">
  <tr>
    <th><%= t :content %></th>
    <th>Category</th>
    <th>Figures</th>
    <th></th>
    <th></th>
    <th></th>
  </tr>

<% @memos.each do |memo| %>
  <tr>
    <td><%= memo.content %></td>
    <td><%= memo.category.name %></td>
    <td><% if memo.figures.empty? %>
          Empty
        <% else %>
          Exists
        <% end %>
    </td>
    <td><%= link_to (t 'show'), memo %></td>
    <td><%= link_to (t 'edit'), edit_memo_path(memo) %></td>
    <td><%= link_to (t 'destroy'), memo, method: :delete, data: { confirm: 'Are you sure?' } %></td>
  </tr>
<% end %>
</table>
```

Test run

Confirm that we can upload image.

Check the list screen

- Confirm that we can see if an attached file is empty or exists.

Final modification for index.html.erb

Replace the “figures empty/exist” text part with the following image display.

```
14  <% @memos.each do |memo| %>
15    <tr>
16      <td><%= memo.content %></td>
17      <td><%= memo.category.name %></td>
18      <td>
19        <% if memo.figures.length>0 %>
20          <% for figure in memo.figures %>
21            <% if figure.file_type =~ /^image\/.*?(png|jpeg|gif)$/ %>
22              <%= image_tag url_for({:action => 'file', :id=> figure.id,
23                  :filename => figure.file_name}), :alt => figure.file_name %
24            <% end %>
25          <% end %>
26        <% end %>
27      </td>
28      <td><%= link_to (t 'show'), memo %></td>
29      <td><%= link_to (t 'edit'), edit_memo_path(memo) %></td>
```

Today's final screen.

Finally, we can see figures with memo.

Practice

No report is requested, however, try to fix the following problems.

(1) When we destroy a memo record, the linked figures left undestroyed. Add some program to the destroy method in the memos controller.

(2) The relationship between memo and figures is one-to-many. But, we do not have a control logic to add/remove attached figures. Try this.

The answer for today's practice

Next week, in the session control lecture, I will show my program as one answer for the problems listed in the previous slide.

But, as graduate school students, I hope you could solve this problem by yourselves.

Absence Report for Today

- Submit the report of screenshots, to show that you could upload image file to memo, just like the following.