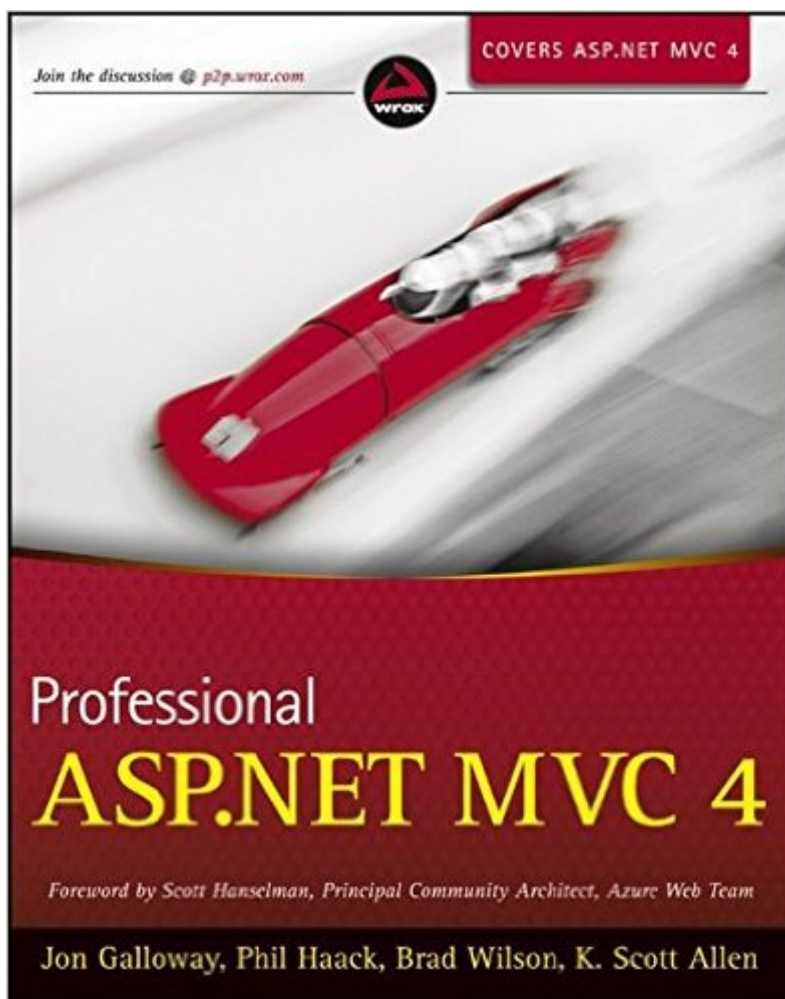


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Synopsis

An outstanding author team presents the ultimate Wrox guide to ASP.NET MVC 4. Microsoft insiders join giants of the software development community to offer this in-depth guide to ASP.NET MVC, an essential web development technology. Experienced .NET and ASP.NET developers will find all the important information they need to build dynamic, data-driven websites with ASP.NET and the newest release of Microsoft's Model-View-Controller technology. Featuring step-by-step guidance and lots of code samples, this guide gets you started and moves all the way to advanced topics, using plenty of examples. Designed to give experienced .NET and ASP.NET programmers everything needed to work with the newest version of MVC technology. Expert author team includes Microsoft ASP.NET MVC insiders as well as leaders of the programming community. Covers controllers, views, models, forms and HTML helpers, data annotation and validation, membership, authorization, security, and routing. Includes essential topics such as Ajax and jQuery, NuGet, dependency injection, unit testing, extending MVC, and Razor. Includes additional real-world coverage requested by readers of the previous edition as well as a new case study example chapter.

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I'm disappointed by this book and I think there's lots of room for improvement. The introduction says this book is for beginners but realistically, that's not the case. I've been programming for several years in ASP Classic and ASP.NET MVC is a major shift in comparison. To me, this book often feels as though it's written for an experienced programmer that's coming from using recent iterations

of ASP.NET as well as Entity Framework. This book tends to cover things in small fragments which means you don't get to see the code as it looks in the bigger picture. It's true that the way you program in ASP.NET MVC tends to be lots of small files and small classes, like a puzzle with many pieces. But the code examples in this book basically never show you the whole file. This is not a step-by-step guide, or learn by example book. In several early chapters you are led to believe that you might be building an application from beginning to end. But that simply isn't the case. Just like almost all the books and tutorials I found on ASP.NET MVC, this book uses a built-in Application Template as well as Scaffolding Templates for views (chapter 4). This allows for a shorter book but leaves the beginner feeling confused about how to build things from the ground up. My experience has taught me to be skeptical of wizards, default templates, etc., and so far my experience following this book and other tutorials has proved my skepticism to be accurate. It could be argued that templates allow you to quickly build something that works and then from there you can reverse engineer (or simply deduce) enough to build your own. I personally don't find this approach to work for me.

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