

In this lecture, we will discuss...

- ✧ Document Class
- ✧ Fields
- ✧ Field Types
- ✧ Field Aliases
- ✧ Custom Fields



Document

- ✧ Documents are the **core** objects in Mongoid
 - `Mongoid::Document`
- ✧ Documents can be stored in a **collection** or embedded in **other documents**

```
1 class Movie
2   include Mongoid::Document
3 end
```



Fields

✧ Fields are
attributes

- `field`
- `type` - String
by default
- `rails g
model`

```
1 class Movie
2   include Mongoid::Document
3   field :title, type: String
4   field :type, type: String
5   field :rated, type: String
6   field :year, type: Integer
7 end
```



rails g model - command

```
$ rails g model Movie title type rated year:integer release_date:date \  
  runtime:Measurement votes:integer countries:array languages:array \  
  genres:array filming_locations:array metascore simple_plot:text \  
  plot:text url_imdb url_poster directors:array actors:array
```

```
$ rails g model Actor name birth_name data_of_birth:Date height:Measurement bio:text
```



Field Types

Array	Boolean	DateTime	Hash
BigDecimal	Date	Float	Integer
BSON	Range	Regex	String
Symbol	Time	TimeWithZone	



Timestamps

- ✧ Timestamp information is not added by default in Mongoid -- as it is within ActiveRecord.
- ✧ `created_at` and `updated_at` fields done via `Mongoid::Timestamps` mixin.
- ✧ `touch` - Will **update** the document's `updated_at` timestamp.



Field Aliases

```
1 class Actor
2   include Mongoid::Document
3   include Mongoid::Timestamps
4
5   field :name, type: String
6   field :birthName, as: :birth_name, type: String
7   field :data_of_birth, type: Date
8   field :height, type: Measurement
9   field :bio, type: String
10
```

- ✧ **birthName** in document → mapped to **birth_name** in model
- ✧ Comply with rails naming convention
- ✧ Helps during **compression**



Custom Fields

- ✧ You can define custom types in Mongoid and determine how they are **serialized** and **deserialized**
- ✧ 5 methods in total
 - initialize
 - mongoize (instance method)
 - mongoize, demongoize, evolve (class methods)
- ✧ **Example:** Measurement

```
:runtime=>{:amount=>60, :units=>"min"}
```



store_in

```
1 class Location
2   include Mongoid::Document
3   store_in collection: "places"
4   field :city, type: String
5   field :state, type: String
6   field :country, type: String
7 end
```

- ✧ Application type to Document type mapping
- ✧ Location gets stored in to “places” collection

Summary

- ✧ Good data type support
- ✧ Aliases, Timestamps
- ✧ Document class and Custom Fields

What's Next?

- ✧ CRUD

