Lightweight Apps with Sinatra

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Sinatra

Sinatra is a DSL for quickly creating web applications in Ruby with minimal effort:

Exposed Simplicity Instead of Hidden Complexity

Flexible

- You can choose how you do things
- It's not opinionated

Makes building web apps as simple

Get Started Quickly

Write single file and get your app up & running

Helpful Community

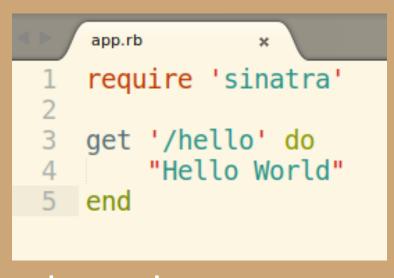
Usefulness of Sinatra

- 1. Testing out Ideas
- 2. Prototyping Website
- 3. APIs
- 4. Putting existing program on web

How to use?

gem install sinatra

First Program



ruby app.rb

Anatomy of Route Handler

```
require 'sinatra'

get '/:name' do
    name = params[:name]
    "Hello #{name}"

end
```

```
#1
        require sinatra
#3
                         -> http
        get
verb
       /:name -> named
#4
parameter
        last line is sent to
browser
```

Different HTTP verbs

- 1. GET
- 2. POST
- 3. PUT
- 4. PATCH
- 5. DELETE

Inline Views

Allows to write your views in the same file as the routes handler.

An actual application can be created in a single file

```
instance variables are
#4
available in views
#5
        templating engine / name
of view
#7
        end of ruby code
#8
        view names start with @@
#9
        view code
```

External Views

Allows to write your views in the separate file inside 'views' directory

'layout.erb' renders view files

External Views

Code will appear in

<%= yield %>

Views

You can mix Inline and External Views

Some Useful Methods

```
1 error do
2  @error = request.env['sinatra_error']
3  erb :error
4 end
5
6 not_found do
7  "Page not found"
8 end
9
```

Configuration

```
configure do
set :site_title, "Lightweight Apps with Sinatra"
end
```

Configuration

Settings can be referred from routes handlers and views

settings.set_title

Helper Methods

Methods that can be used in route handlers & views.

Inline

1 helpers do
2 # some methods here
3 end

```
1 module SomeHelpers do
2 # some methods here
3 end
```

External

require './some_helpers.rb' helpers SomeHelpers

Databases

ORM

Mongoid DataMapper ActiveRecord Mongoid (Mongo DB)

require 'sinatra'
require 'mongoid'

Mongoid.load! 'mongoid.config'

gem 'sinatra-contribs'

sinatra-contrib

- require 'sinatra'
- 2 require 'sinatra/reloader' if development?

Going Live

- 1. Heroku
- 2. OpenShift
- 3. AWS

