Missing fields

- All fields in Elasticsearch are optional

- You can leave out a field when indexing documents

- E.g. unlike relational databases where you need to allow `NULL` values

- Some integrity checks need to be done at the application level

  - E.g. having required fields

- Adding a field mapping does *not* make a field required

- Searches automatically handle missing fields

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