pjax+Rails

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Who is pjax?

- pjax = pushState + ajax
- A jQuery plugin that uses ajax and pushState to deliver a fast browsing experience with real permalinks, page titles, and a working back button
- For browsers that don't support pushState pjax fully degrades
- https://github.com/defunkt/jquery-pjax



Turbolinks

"You're Soaking In It"

- Rails 4 includes a pjax-like feature called Turbolinks
- Turbolinks and pjax+Rails are not compatible yet



pjax+Rails

"Two great tastes that taste great together"

- Combine the use of pjax with Ruby on Rails
- Use the rack-pjax gem to minimize the HTML sent to the browser
- Multiple pjax container support
- Form and link support
- Skip layout rendering on pjax requests



When To Use pjax+Rails

You Want ajax-Like Responsiveness But...

You are new to Ruby on Rails or Javascript

or

You want a simple architecture

or

You are in a hurry



Let's See Some Code!

Full source for this presentation is available at: https://github.com/SoftwareOps/pjax_rails_demo

