

Understanding the RSpec Ecosystem



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`(1+1).should === 2`

equivalent to

`expect(1+1).to eq(2)`

Why not should?



Requires monkey-patching every object

Can generate warnings

Needs workarounds for operator precedence

Semantic Versioning

2.14 → 3.0



Backwards Incompatible

3.3 → 3.4



Backwards Compatible

Upgrading RSpec

.99 versions and transpec

Code Coverage

Using simplecov

Coverage Limitations



Tracks lines, not branches.

100% doesn't mean all code is executed.

... $< 100\%$ means it certainly isn't.

Custom Formatters

The formatter *API* and *Fivemat*

Conclusion

We're done!

The RSpec Family

Core

Expectations

Mocks

RSpec Core



rspec command-line tool

describe and it

Encourages Behaviour-Driven Development

RSpec Expectations



Fancy syntax for raise
`expect(1+1).to eq(2)`
Nicer error messages
Custom matchers

RSpec Mocks



Provide alternate method implementations
Construct fake objects
Provides design feedback

Concepts

How to use RSpec effectively

Behavior

not

Implementation

Testing implementation tells



Many expectations in a single example
Too many mocks

Mocks

are are for

Design

Using Mocks Effectively



Primarily for design feedback
Can be used as scaffolding

Testing Ruby Applications with RSpec



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