

Rails in a Day

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Key concepts

- Model-View-Controller (MVC)
- Convention over configuration

Models

- Represent the Things in your system
- Live in app/models
- Map to database tables
- Columns magically become attributes

Controllers

- Respond to web requests
- Coordinate between models and views
- Live in app/controllers
- Inherit from ApplicationController

Views

- Provide the UI for your web app
- Consist of HTML with embedded Ruby (erb)
- Live in app/views
- Normally one for each controller method
- Layouts (in app/views/layouts) hold the shared HTML code that gives a common “look”

Environments

- Development
- Test
- Production



Rails in a Day

- Getting to the starting gate
 - Change to the project directory

```
cd Suggestion-Box  
git checkout -b private dor_start
```

- If you already played around a bit and need to reset

```
git checkout private  
git reset --hard dor_start
```

Rails in a Day

Create the development (and test) databases

```
$ rake db:create
```

Run all the unapplied migrations

```
$ rake db:migrate
```

Start a local server to run the application

```
$ rails server
```

```
c:\Suggestion-Box>ruby script\rails server
```

Open a browser to visit the application:

<http://localhost:3000/>



Rails in a Day

- Test Driven Development
 - Start with a failing test
 - You got these handed to you all at once in the Ruby Koans
 - Write (or edit) code to make the test pass
 - but only *just enough* code
 - Contemplate whether the code could be improved
 - changing the implementation details without changing the behavior is called *refactoring*
- All together you get: **Red, Green, Refactor**

Rails in a Day

- Tests already exist in another branch of the git repository.
- Each commit that contains new tests is separately tagged.
- We will “cherry pick” individual commits into your private branch to cause you to write code to make the test pass.
- Let’s get started!

Rails in a Day

“As an interested person, I’d like to have a link to express my vote in favor of a topic.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_1
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
class VotingTest < ActionDispatch::IntegrationTest
  context "vising the list of suggestions with a suggestion" do
    setup do
      @suggestion = Factory(:topic)
      visit topics_path
    end
    should "have a vote link" do
      assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}']"),
        "Where's the link to #{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}? ")
    end
  end
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
end
end
end
```



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      assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}']"),
        "Where's the link to #{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}? ")
    end
  end
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
end
end
end
```

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    setup do
      @suggestion = Factory(:topic)
      visit topics_path
    end
    should "have a vote link" do
      assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}']"),
        "Where's the link to #{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}? ")
    end
  end
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
end
end
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
class VotingTest < ActionDispatch::IntegrationTest
  context "vising the list of suggestions with a suggestion" do
    setup do
      @suggestion = Factory(:topic)
      visit topics_path
    end
    should "have a vote link" do
      assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}']"),
        "Where's the link to #{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}? ")
    end
  end
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
end
end
end
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
class VotingTest < ActionDispatch::IntegrationTest
  context "vising the list of suggestions with a suggestion" do
    setup do
      @suggestion = Factory(:topic)
      visit topics_path
    end
    should "have a vote link" do
      assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}']"),
        "Where's the link to #{vote_topic_path(@suggestion)}? ")
    end
  end
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
end
end
end
```


rake test:integration

Started

....EE

Finished in 1.958562 seconds.

1) Error:

test: vising the list of suggestions with a
suggestion should have a vote link.

(VotingTest):

NoMethodError: undefined method

`vote_topic_path' for #<VotingTest:0x2792668>

Routing in Rails

- Happens in config/routes.rb
- Tells how to map URLs to controller methods

REST

- A way to represent things that live on the web
- Makes use of the 4 HTTP verbs
 - GET
 - POST
 - PUT
 - DELETE

REST in Rails

GET /topics	topics_controller#index
GET /topics/new	topics_controller#new
GET /topics/1	topics_controller#show
GET /topics/1/edit	topics_controller#edit
POST /topics	topics_controller#create
PUT /topics/1	topics_controller#update
DELETE /topics/1	topics_controller#destroy

Try it!

\$ rake routes



config/routes.rb

```
SuggestionBox::Application.routes.draw do
  root :to => 'topics#index'
  resources :topics

end
```

config/routes.rb

```
SuggestionBox::Application.routes.draw do
  root :to => 'topics#index'
  resources :topics do
    member { get :vote }
  end
end
```

What we just did

GET /topics/1/vote	topics_controller#vote
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\$ rake routes

rake test:integration

Started

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Finished in 1.831535 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: visting the list of suggestions with a suggestion should have a vote link.

(VotingTest) [test/integration/voting_test.rb:11]:

Where's the link to /topics/1/vote?

app/views/topics/_topic.html.erb

Initially:

```
<li><%= link_to topic.title, topic %></li>
```

After adding the link:

```
<li id='<%= dom_id(topic) %>'>  
  <%= link_to topic.title, topic %>  
  <%= link_to "Vote", vote_topic_path(topic) %></li>
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....E

Finished in 1.915313 seconds.

1) Error:

test: **vising** the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should respond with success. (VotingTest):

AbstractController::ActionNotFound: The action 'vote' could not be found for TopicsController

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ... other actions ...

  def vote
    render :nothing => true
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....

Finished in 1.892785 seconds.

6 tests, 8 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -a -m 'done with first lesson'

Rails in a Day

“As a person who voted, I’d like some acknowledgement of my vote.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_2
```

or

```
$ git reset --hard dor_test_2
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
class VotingTest < ActionDispatch::IntegrationTest
  # ...
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    should "have a message in flash" do
      within(:css, ".flash") do
        assert page.has_content?("Thanks"), "Not even a thank you?"
      end
    end
    should "respond with success" do
      assert_equal 200, page.status_code
    end
  end
  # ...
end
```


rake test:integration

Started

.....E.

Finished in 2.027329 seconds.

1) Error:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should have a message in flash. (VotingTest):

Capybara::ElementNotFound: scope '//
*[contains(concat(' ', @class, ' '), ' flash
)]' not found on page

app/views/layouts/application.html.erb

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Cincinnati.rb Suggestion Box</title>
  <%= stylesheet_link_tag :all %>
  <%= javascript_include_tag :defaults %>
  <%= csrf_meta_tag %>
  <%= formtastic_stylesheet_link_tag %>
</head>
<body>

<div class='flash'><%= flash[:message] %></div>

<%= yield %>

</body>
</html>
```

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ... other actions ...

  def vote
    render :nothing => true
  end
end
```

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ... other actions ...

  def vote
    redirect_to topics_path
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

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Finished in 1.903812 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should have a message in flash. (VotingTest) [test/integration/voting_test.rb:23]:

Not even a thank you?

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ... other actions ...

  def vote
    redirect_to topics_path
  end
end
```

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ... other actions ...

  def vote
    flash[:message] = "Thanks for voting"
    redirect_to topics_path
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....

Finished in 2.281981 seconds.

7 tests, 9 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “Thanks for a vote”

Rails in a Day

- Enter a few new topics into your own copy
- Start your application server with:

`rails server`

or just

`rails s`

Rails console

- rails c
- interactive in environment for playing with rails
- `Topic.create(
 :title => "My new topic",
 :description => "is a very nice topic")`

Rails in a Day

“As a person who voted, I’d like to have my vote recorded for posterity.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_3
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
class VotingTest < ActionDispatch::IntegrationTest
  # ...
  context "voting for the topic" do
    setup do
      @old_vote_count = @suggestion.votes.count
      within(:css, "#topic_#{@suggestion.id}") do
        click "Vote"
      end
    end
    # ...
    should "add a vote for this topic" do
      assert_equal @old_vote_count + 1, @suggestion.votes(true).count, "Where's the vote? "
    end
  end
  # ...
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....EEE

Finished in 1.866956 seconds.

1) Error:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should add a vote for this topic. (VotingTest):

NoMethodError: undefined method `votes' for #<Topic:0x21dfd9c>

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
context "voting for the topic" do
  setup do
    @old_vote_count = @suggestion.votes.count
    # ...
  end
end
```

We need to define that topics have votes in the database.

Rails in a Day

- A vote belongs to a topic
- A topic can have many votes
- ActiveRecord makes these associations easy!

Associations

- One to many
 - specified with `belongs_to`
 - convention is a `related_to_id` column
- Many to one
 - specified with `has_many`
 - assumes “foreign key” column is in the other table
- Does not use real FKs by default
- Others: `has_one`, `has_and_belongs_to_many`, etc

Rails in a Day

- First we need a vote model and we'll let a “generator” help create the files that we need.

```
rails generate model
```

will give a helpful summary of the options.

rails generate model Vote ...

```
$ rails generate model Vote topic:belongs_to --no-fixture
invoke  active_record
    create  db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb
    create  app/models/vote.rb
    invoke  test_unit
    create  test/unit/vote_test.rb
```

rails generate model Vote ...

```
$ rails generate model Vote topic:belongs_to --no-fixture
invoke  active_record
  create  db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb
  create  app/models/vote.rb
  invoke  test_unit
  create  test/unit/vote_test.rb
```

Migrations

- Incremental changes to the schema of your database
- Contains code to apply “up” or forward migration changes as well as “down” or “revert”
- Are time-stamped so that they can be created and applied by different developers
- Are database agnostic! The same migration can be used against your local development and test databases as the production database.

db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb

```
class CreateVotes < ActiveRecord::Migration
  def self.up
    create_table :votes do |t|
      t.belongs_to :topic

      t.timestamps
    end
  end

  def self.down
    drop_table :votes
  end
end
```

db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb

```
class CreateVotes < ActiveRecord::Migration
  def self.up
    create_table :votes do |t|
      t.belongs_to :topic

      t.timestamps
    end
    add_index :votes, :topic_id
  end

  def self.down
    drop_table :votes
  end
end
```



rails generate model Vote ...

```
$ rails generate model Vote topic:belongs_to --no-fixture
invoke  active_record
  create  db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb
  create  app/models/vote.rb
  invoke  test_unit
  create  test/unit/vote_test.rb
```


app/models/vote.rb

```
class Vote < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :topic
end
```



rails generate model Vote ...

```
$ rails generate model Vote topic:belongs_to --no-fixture
invoke  active_record
        create      db/migrate/20100905173226_create_votes.rb
        create      app/models/vote.rb
        invoke      test_unit
        create      test/unit/vote_test.rb
```

test/unit/vote_test.rb

```
require 'test_helper'

class VoteTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase
  # Replace this with your real tests.
  test "the truth" do
    assert true
  end
end
```

rake test

```
$ rake test
```

```
(in /Users/rab/projects/Suggestion-Box)
```

```
You have 1 pending migrations:
```

```
  20100905173226 CreateVotes
```

```
Run "rake db:migrate" to update your database  
then try again.
```

rake db:migrate

```
== CreateVotes: migrating =====  
-- create_table(:votes)  
   -> 0.0035s  
-- add_index(:votes, :topic_id)  
   -> 0.0015s  
== CreateVotes: migrated (0.0055s) =====
```

rake test

Started

.....EEE

Finished in 1.951733 seconds.

1) Error:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should add a vote for this topic. (VotingTest):

NoMethodError: undefined method `votes' for #<Topic:0x1c49478>

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “Made a vote model”

Rails in a Day

“As a rails developer, I want to capture my model associations between Topic and Vote.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_3a
```


Associations Explained



test/unit/topic_test.rb

```
require 'test_helper'
```

```
class TopicTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase
  should_have_many(:votes).dependent(:delete_all)
end
```

test/unit/vote_test.rb

```
require 'test_helper'

class VoteTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase
  # Replace this with your real tests.
  test "the truth" do
    assert true
  end
end
```

test/unit/vote_test.rb

```
require 'test_helper'
```

```
class VoteTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase  
  should belong_to(:topic)  
end
```

rake test:units

Started

F.

Finished in 0.091453 seconds.

1) Failure:

```
test: Topic should have many votes dependent =>  
delete_all. (TopicTest) [/Users/rab/.rvm/gems/  
ruby-1.9.2-p0@suggestion_box/gems/  
shoulda-2.11.3/lib/shoulda/context.rb:324]:
```

Expected Topic to have a has_many association
called votes (no association called votes).

Expected block to return true value.

app/models/topic.rb

```
class Topic < ActiveRecord::Base  
end
```



app/models/topic.rb

```
class Topic < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :votes, :dependent => :delete_all
end
```

rake test:units

Started

....

Finished in 0.357875 seconds.

4 tests, 4 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

rake test:integration

Started

.....F...

Finished in 2.038847 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should add a vote for this topic. (VotingTest) [test/integration/voting_test.rb:31]:

Where's the vote? .

<1> expected but was

<0>.

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
class TopicsController < ApplicationController
  # ...
  def vote
    if (@topic=Topic.find_by_id(params[:id])) &&
      @topic.votes.create
      flash[:message] = "Thanks for voting"
    else
      flash[:message] = "Sorry, couldn't record your vote"
    end
    redirect_to topics_path
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....

Finished in 1.154301 seconds.

8 tests, 10 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “create vote in database”

Rails in a Day

- Vote a few times for each of the topics into your own copy of the application
- If it isn't running, start your application server with:

```
rails server
```

Rails in a Day

“As a curious person who voted, I want to see the tally of votes accumulated by each topic.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_4
```

test/unit/topic_test.rb

```
class TopicTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase
  context "a topic" do
    setup do
      @topic = Factory(:topic)
    end
    should "have a zero tally" do
      assert_equal 0, @topic.tally
    end
  end
  # ...
end
```

test/unit/topic_test.rb

```
# ...  
context "with a vote" do  
  setup do  
    @topic.votes.create  
    @topic.reload  
  end  
  should "have a tally of 1" do  
    assert_equal 1, @topic.tally  
  end  
end  
end  
end
```


rake test:units

Started

.EE.

Finished in 0.226788 seconds.

1) Error:

test: a topic should have a zero tally.
(TopicTest):

NoMethodError: undefined method `tally' for
#<Topic:0x1984df0>

app/models/topic.rb

```
class Topic < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :votes, :dependent => :delete_all

  def tally
    votes.count
  end
end
```

rake test:units

Started

....

Finished in 0.229227 seconds.

4 tests, 4 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “add Topic#tally”

Rails in a Day

- You can run up some votes, but you might notice that you can't *see* the tally anywhere.
- If it isn't running, start your application server with:

`rails server`

Rails in a Day

“As a curious person who voted, I want to REALLY see the tally of votes accumulated by each topic.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_5
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
# A little refactoring, too.  
should "have a message in flash" do  
  assert page.has_css?(".flash", :text => "Thanks"), \  
    "Not even a thank you? "  
end  
  
should "show the vote tally" do  
  assert page.has_css?("#topic_#{@suggestion.id} .tally", \  
    :text => (@old_vote_count + 1).to_s), \  
    "No tally given"  
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....F

Finished in 1.323555 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion voting for the topic should show the vote tally. (VotingTest) [test/integration/voting_test.rb:32]:

No tally given

app/views/topics/_topic.html.erb

Initially:

```
<li id='<%= dom_id(topic) %>'>  
  <%= link_to topic.title, topic %>  
  <%= link_to "Vote", vote_topic_path(topic) %></li>
```

After adding the link:

```
<li id='<%= dom_id(topic) %>'>  
  <%= link_to topic.title, topic %>  
  <%= link_to "Vote", vote_topic_path(topic) %>  
  <span class="tally"><%= topic.tally %></span></li>
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....

Finished in 1.269294 seconds.

9 tests, 11 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “show the tally”

Rails in a Day

- Now that you can **see** the tally of your votes, what else might you want to do?
- If it isn't running, start your application server with:

`rails server`

Rails in a Day

“The topics list looks bad as a list when the titles are of different lengths.”

Change the topics list view to use a table.

No tests need to be added.

All existing tests should continue to pass.

app/views/topics/index.html.erb

```
<h2>Suggestion Box</h2>
```

```
<p>List of topics submitted so far:</p>
```

```
<% if @topics.blank? %>
```

```
  <p>No topics submitted so far. Do you have  
any suggestions?</p>
```

```
<% else %>
```

```
  <ul>
```

```
    <%= render @topics %>
```

```
  </ul>
```

```
<% end %>
```

app/views/topics/_topic.html.erb

```
<li id='<%= dom_id(topic) %>'>  
  <%= link_to topic.title, topic %>  
  <%= link_to "Vote", vote_topic_path(topic) %>  
  <span class="tally"><%= topic.tally %></span></li>
```

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “replace ul with table”

Rails in a Day

“As a meeting organizer, I’d like to see the list of topics sorted by descending vote tally.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_6
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
context "sorting topics" do
  setup do
    @most = Factory(:topic)
    5.times { @most.votes.create }
    @least = Factory(:topic)
    3.times { @least.votes.create }
    @none = Factory(:topic)
    visit topics_path
  end
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
should "have a sort by tally link" do
  sort_by_tally_link = \
    topic_path(:sort => :tally)
  assert(page.has_css?("a[href='#{sort_by_tally_link}']",
    :text => 'Vote Tally'),
    "Where's the link to #{sort_by_tally_link}? (with
text 'Vote Tally')")
end
```

test/integration/voting_test.rb

```
context "by vote tally" do
  setup do
    click "Vote Tally"
  end
  should "have the most suggested topic first" do
    selector = "tbody tr:first-child td.tally"
    assert page.has_css?(selector),
      "Can't find the element to match: #{selector}"
    assert page.has_css?(selector,
      :text => @most.tally.to_s),
      "Topic with most votes isn't listed first"
  end
end
end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

.....EF.....

Finished in 1.293699 seconds.

1) Error:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion sorting topics by vote tally should have the most suggested topic first. (VotingTest):

Capybara::ElementNotFound: no link or button 'Vote Tally' found

2) Failure:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion sorting topics should have a sort by tally link. (VotingTest) [test/integration/voting_test.rb:47]:

Where's the link to /topics?sort=tally? (with text 'Vote Tally')

app/views/topics/index.html.erb

```
<thead>
  <tr>
    <th>Topic</th>
    <th></th>
    <th>
      <%= link_to "Vote Tally",
        topics_path(:sort => :tally) %>
    </th>
  </tr>
</thead>
```

rake test:integration

Started

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Finished in 1.305399 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: visiting the list of suggestions with a suggestion sorting topics by vote tally should have the most suggested topic first. (VotingTest)
[test/integration/voting_test.rb:57]:

Topic with most votes isn't listed first

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
def index  
  @topics = Topic.all  
end
```



app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
def index
  @topics = Topic.all
  if params[:sort]
    @topics = @topics.sort_by { |topic|
      topic.send(params[:sort])
    }.reverse
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

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Finished in 1.314155 seconds.

11 tests, 14 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Rails in a Day

- Save your work!
 - git status
 - git add .
 - git commit -m “sort by tally”

Rails in a Day

- Great! Now you can vote up your favorite topics and see them sort to the top of the table!
- If it isn't running, start your application server with:

```
rails server
```

Rails in a day (bonus round!)

“As a submitter, I want a helpful error message to show up if I forget to fill in the title.”

```
$ git cherry-pick dor_test_7
```

test/integration/creating_topics_test.rb

...

```
context "without a title" do
  setup do
    visit new_topic_path
    click_button "Create Topic"
  end
  should "see an error message" do
    assert page.has_content?("Title can't be blank"), "The page has no errors"
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

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Finished in 0.995729 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: without a title should see an error message. (CreatingTopicsTest) [test/integration/creating_topics_test.rb:47]:

The page has no errors

12 tests, 15 assertions, 1 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

Validation in Rails

- Specified in the model
- Bundles built in
- Easy to roll your own
- Messages are based on column name
 - can be overridden

test/units/topic_test.rb

```
require 'test_helper'
```

```
class TopicTest < ActiveSupport::TestCase  
  should have_many(:votes).dependent(:delete_all)
```

```
  should_validate_presence_of :title
```

```
...
```

rake test:units

Started

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Finished in 0.162058 seconds.

1) Failure:

test: Topic should require title to be set.
(TopicTest) [/Users/superchris/.rvm/gems/
ruby-1.9.2-p0/gems/shoulda-2.11.3/lib/shoulda/
context.rb:324]:

Expected errors to include "can't be blank"
when title is set to nil, got no errors.

Expected block to return true value.

app/models/topic.rb

```
class Topic < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :votes, :dependent => :delete_all

  validates_presence_of :title

  def tally
    votes.count
  end
end
```

rake test:units

Started

.....

Finished in 0.159702 seconds.

5 tests, 5 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors, 0 skips

app/views/topics/new.html.erb

```
<h1>New Topic</h1>
```

```
<ul>
```

```
  <% @topic.errors.full_messages.each do |error| %>
```

```
    <li><%= error %></li>
```

```
  <% end %>
```

```
</ul>
```

app/controllers/topics_controller.rb

```
def create
  # Fix that bug!
  @topic = Topic.new(params[:topic])
  if @topic.save
    redirect_to topics_path
  else
    render :new
  end
end
```

rake test:integration

Started

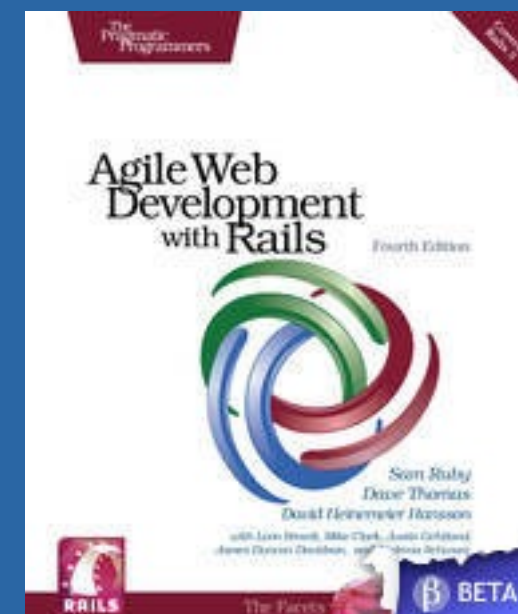
.....

Finished in 1.039139 seconds.

12 tests, 15 assertions, 0 failures, 0 errors,
0 skips

To learn more:

- rubyonrails.org
 - <http://rubyonrails.org/documentation>
- railscasts.com
 - by Ryan Bates
 - [rails-3.0 episodes](#)
- [Agile Web Development with Rails, 4th Edition](#)
 - by Sam Ruby
 - Pragmatic Programmers



To learn EVEN MORE

- JRubyConf!!
- Columbus, OH Oct 1-3
- Save \$100 with DAYOFRUBY discount code
 - You're welcome :)



Any Questions?

Speakers will be hanging out at the
Brazenhead Irish Pub
immediately following the
Cincinnati Day of Ruby

