

# In this lecture, we will discuss...

- ✧ Model mixin
- ✧ `Scaffold` command
- ✧ Helpers

# ActiveModel::Model Mixin Behavior

```
class Zip
  include ActiveModel::Model
  ...
  def persisted?
    !@id.nil?
  end
  def created_at
    nil
  end
  def updated_at
    nil
  end
end
```

- ✧ Check to see if a **primary key** has been assigned
- ✧ JSON marshalling will also **expect** a `created_at` and `updated_at` by default

# scaffold command

```
$ rails g scaffold_controller Zip id city state population:integer
  create  app/controllers/zips_controller.rb
  invoke  erb
  create  app/views/zips
  create  app/views/zips/index.html.erb
  create  app/views/zips/edit.html.erb
  create  app/views/zips/show.html.erb
  create  app/views/zips/new.html.erb
  create  app/views/zips/_form.html.erb
  invoke  test_unit
  create  test/controllers/zips_controller_test.rb
  invoke  helper
  create  app/helpers/zips_helper.rb
  invoke  test_unit
  invoke  jbuilder
  create  app/views/zips/index.json.jbuilder
  create  app/views/zips/show.json.jbuilder
```



# Helpers

```
module ZipsHelper
  def toZip(value)
    #change value to a Zip if not already a Zip
    return value.is_a?(Zip) ? value : Zip.new(value)
  end
end
```

- ✧ `app/helpers/zips_helper.rb` - method will convert a Mongo document to a Ruby class instance

```
<% @zips.each do |zip| %>
  <% zip=toZip(zip) %>
```

`app/views/zips/index.html.erb`



# Summary

✧ Scaffold command

## What's Next?

✧ MVC Demo and Pagination

