Rails from the Ground Up!

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Ruby Part One An Introduction



Ruby the Language

Ruby != Rails

Lightweight language

Cross platform

Interpreted

Older than Java



Matz!

Yukihiro "matz" Matsumoto Ruby's first release was 1995

Blended His Favorites

Perl

Smalltalk

Eiffel

Ada

Lisp

His Goals?

Balance functional and imperative
Wanted Ruby to be natural, not simple

Didn't Take Off Until

Ruby on Rails

by DHH (David Heinemeier Hansson)

Released in ~2005

(Ruby had been out for a decade!)

Be Aware

Ruby and Ruby on Rails are different

A Quick Aside

Ruby Version Manager

aka rvm

https://rvm.beginrescueend.com/

installs

manages

Start here...

The following is a single line:

bash -s stable < <(curl -s
https://raw.github.com/wayneeseguin/rvm/master/
binscripts/rvm-installer)</pre>

Put rvm in the Path

Reload your environment

source ~/.bash_profile

OR

exit Terminal and start a new session

Requirements

Check platform specific requirements rvm requirements <ruby version>

Install 1.9.3

rvm install 1.9.3

Now Wait...

rvm will...

- -download
- -compile
- -install

What's Installed?

rvm list

Choose Your Ruby!

rvm use <version>

Useful Commands

rvm default <version>

rvm info

rvm remove

Something's Wrong!

As a last resort... rvm implode



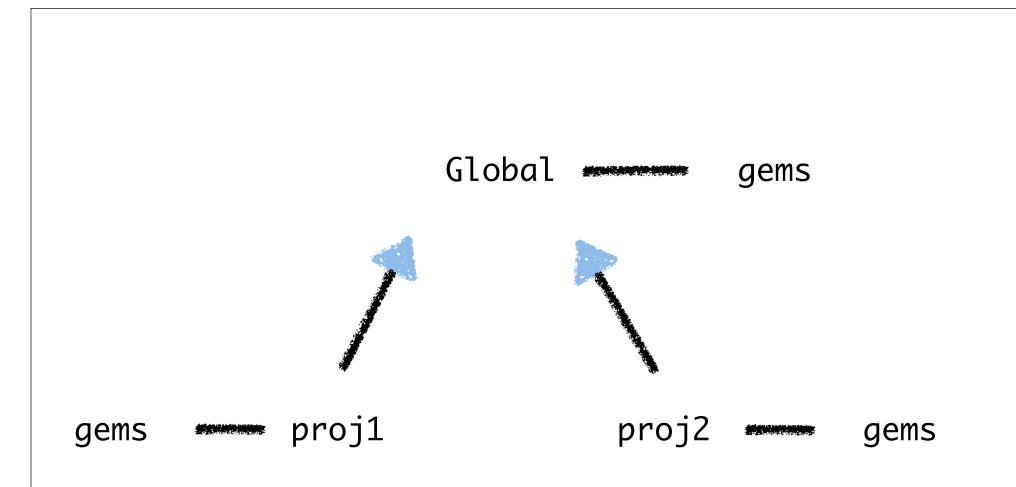
http://www.flickr.com/photos/22320444@N08/5269558283/

Name Spaces

rvm gemset

rvm gemset create development

rvm gemset create test



Search Path

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.rvmrc

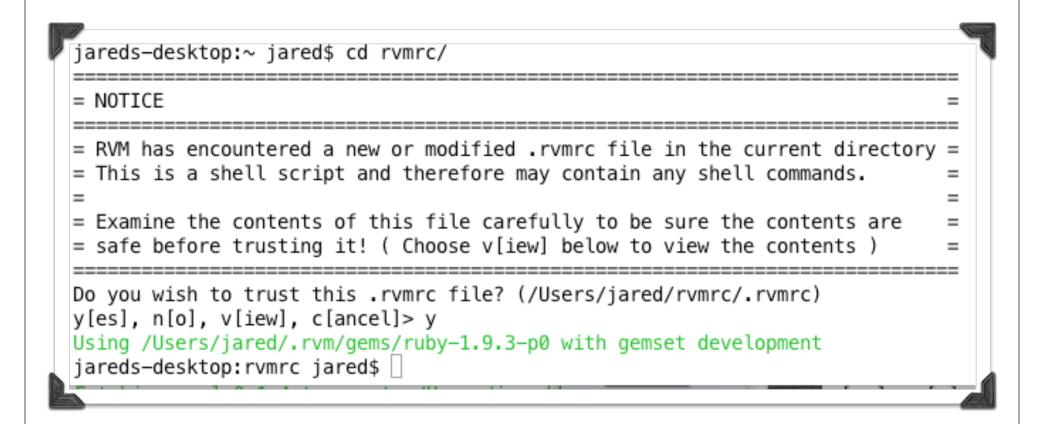
rvm use 1.9.3

rvm use 1.9.3@development

rvm use 1.9.3@project_two

.rvmrc

Ensures Ruby version by project cd into a directory rvm switches to the correct Ruby Libraries (gems) are Ruby specific



Your Turn

in RailsFromTheGroundUp

cd rvmrc

cd 1.9.3

cd ..

cd 1.9.3_development

rvm create

rvm gemset create development

Back to Ruby

ruby <file_name>
irb

irb

"Hello World!"

2 + 2

Math.sqrt(9)

Everything's An Object

"Hello".class

3.class

(3/7).class

(3/7.0).class

3/7.class

Objectify

obj = Object.new

obj.is_a? Integer

obj.is_a? Object

obj.methods

Acting On Objects

object dot method

obj.methods => returns an Array

obj.methods.sort

Chain methods

Simple Math

- 4-3
- 3-7
- 2 * 9
- 9/2
- 9/2.0

Numbers

Integer

Fixnum & Bignum

Float

Double

Rational

Fixnum

Inherits from Integer

Native machine word (minus 1 bit)

Auto converts to Bignum

Max & Min?

Not defined

Platform specific

 $FIXNUM_MAX = (2**(0.size * 8 - 2) - 1)$

 $FIXNUM_MIN = -(2**(0.size * 8 - 2))$

Your Turn

```
use irb
```

$$n = 2$$

$$r = 2**10$$

what class is r?

r = n**250

what class is r?

find out where r becomes a BigNum

Conversions

```
Type along...
i = Integer (0xA4F3A)
i = Integer "7321"
i.to_s
f = Float("732.217")
f.to i
```

Strings

h = "Hello World!"

h.length()

h.reverse()

h.index("d")

h.upcase

h.downcase!

More Strings

```
h = "Hello" + " " + "world!"
"Hello ".concat("World")
h.sub("l", "k")
h.gsub("l", "k")
h.chomp
```

Quoted Strings What's Valid?

```
"Hello world"
```

- 'Hello world'
- "Hello world'
- " 'this is my' little world"
- ' "this is my" other little world'
- " this is \" valid"

Embedding Variables in Strings

```
" #{ <variable> } "
n = 17
puts "The value of n is #{n}"
puts 'The value of n is #{n}'
```

Adding with Strings

```
"Hello " + "World"
puts "Hello " + 7
"Hello " + 7.to_s
print "Hello " * 7
```

Flow Control

```
if <condition>
     <code>
    else
     <else code>
end
```

More Flow Control

```
if <condition 1>
  <code>
elseif <condition 2>
  <else code>
elseif <condition 3>
  <else code>
end
```

Puts What's False?

```
if false
  puts "Hello"
end
```

Puts What's False?

```
if 0
  puts "Hello"
end
```

Puts What's False?

```
if nil
  puts "Hello"
end
```

???

false.class

nil.class

nil.class.class

0.class