# Rails from the Ground Up!

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# Rails Database Migrations

# Did you Create a Template?

rails generate model card\_deck



#### What Happened?

```
invoke active_record
```

```
create db/migrate/
20120213203148_create_card_decks.rb
```

create app/models/card\_deck.rb

invoke test\_unit

create test/unit/card\_deck\_test.rb

create test/fixtures/card\_decks.yml

## Database Migrations

```
Look in war/db/migrate/
```

```
class CreateCardDecks < ActiveRecord::Migration
  def change
     create_table :card_decks do ItI
        t.timestamps
    end
  end
end</pre>
```

#### Migrations

Make incremental database change

Formerly had "up" and "down"

To Add and Drop

Now "change" does both

You can use either

#### Common Operations

add\_column

add\_index

change\_column

change\_table

create\_table

drop\_table

remove\_column

remove\_index

rename\_column

#### For Instance

```
def change
  create_table :products do ItI
    t.string :name
    t.text :description
    t.timestamps
  end
end
```

#### Your Turn

Add a name attribute to your CardDeck Edit the migration directly

NOTE: Don't do this to an applied migration!

## rake db:migrate

```
rake db:migrate VERSION=0
```

# edit the migration

rake db:migrate

#### Another Way

```
jareds-MacBook:war jared$ rails generate model
Usage:
   rails generate model NAME [field:type field:type] [options]
```

#### Remove the Model

rails destroy model Card\_Deck

#### Migrations for Free!

rails generate model

Card\_Deck name:string

OR

Card\_Deck name:string hands\_played:integer

# Stand Alone Migrations

rails generate migration AddCardCountToCardDeck

Run this

What did you get?

# Better Stand Alone Migrations

rails generate migration

AddCardCountToCardDeck card\_count:integer

#### Or Removing...

rails generate migration

RemoveCardCountFromCardDeck card\_count:integer

```
class RemoveCardCountFromCardDeck < ActiveRecord::Migration
def
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card_count
end
def
def down
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add_column :card_decks, :card_count, :integer
end
end
end
end</pre>
```

#### Migration Smarts

```
Add<column>To <name>:<type>
```

Add<label>To <n>:<t> <n>:<t> <n>:<t>

AddDetailsToCardDeck a:string b:integer

#### change\_table

```
change_table :card_deck do It!
 t.remove :description, :name
  t.string:first_name
 t.index :part_number
 t.rename :list_name, :last_name
end
```

#### Magic Colums

```
"id" is always added
"t.timestamps" adds...
created_at & updated_at
t.references :card (card = model name)
adds "card_id"
```

## Migrations w/SQL

```
def add_fk
  #add a foreign key
  execute <<-SQL
    ALTER TABLE cards
      ADD CONSTRAINT fk_cards_categories
      FOREIGN KEY (category_id)
      REFERENCES categories(id)
  SQL
end
```

## Final Thoughts

rake migrate db:rollback

rake migrate db:rollback STEP=3

rake migrate db:redo STEP=4

rake db:reset

db/schema.rb

#### Next...

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