

Introduction to Ruby on Rails

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- Why Rails?
- Request lifecycle and MVC
- The Ruby language
- Rails generators: models, controllers, scaffolds
- Community Gems

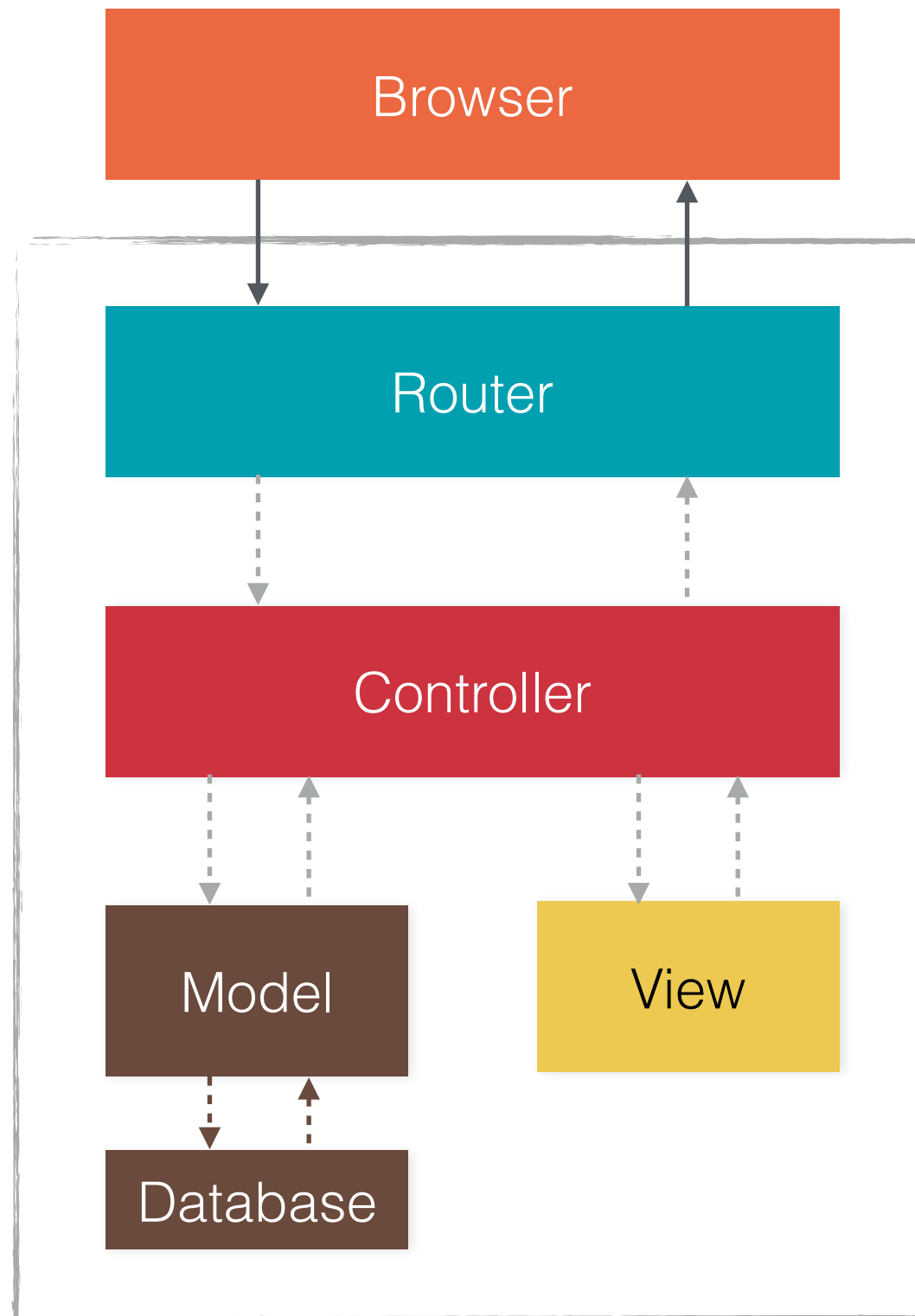
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configuration

Meet Ruby

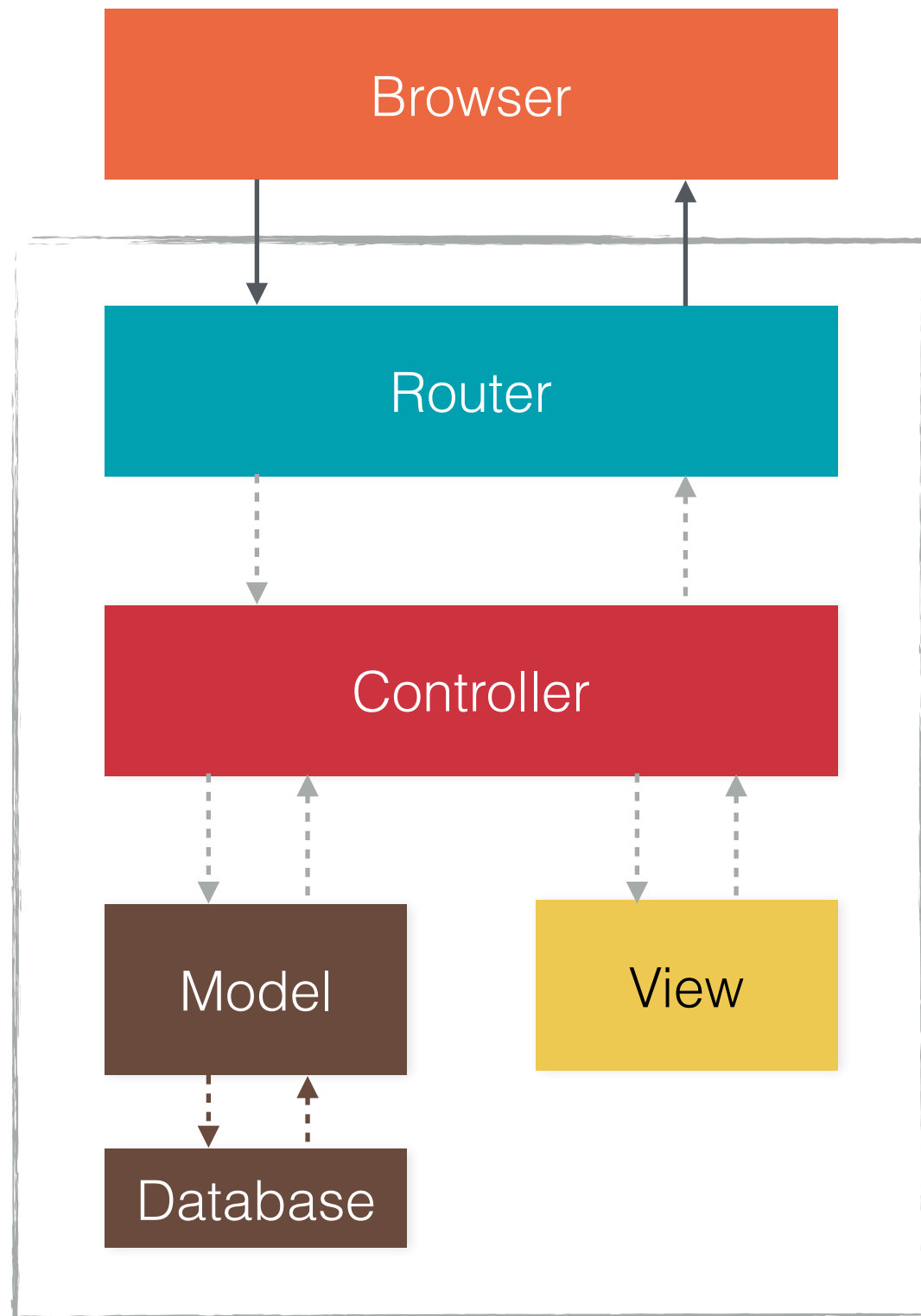
Basic syntax

Classes

Request lifecycle



Request lifecycle



`GET /posts/7`

`get "/posts/:id" => "posts/show"`

`@post = Post.find(7)`

`Title: <%= @post.title %>
`

`Body: <%= @post.body %>
`

Create a new Rails application

→ **dev** rails new my_first_app



```
create
create  Gemfile
create  app
create  app/assets/images/rails.png
create  app/assets/javascripts/application.js
create  app/assets/stylesheets/application.css
create  app/controllers/application_controller.rb
create  app/helpers/application_helper.rb
create  app/views/layouts/application.html.erb
create  config
create  config/routes.rb
create  config/database.yml
create  db
create  public
create  public/404.html
create  public/422.html
create  public/500.html
create  public/favicon.ico
create  public/index.html
create  public/robots.txt
run     bundle install
```

Create a new Rails application

```
→ dev cd my_first_app/app  
→ app ls
```

```
assets      controllers  models      views      ...
```



Generate a Model

```
→ my_first_app rails generate model breed name:string
```

```
invoke active_record
create db/migrate/20140621195618_create_breeds.rb
create app/models/breed.rb
invoke test_unit
create test/unit/breed_test.rb
create test/fixtures/breeds.yml
```



breed.rb

```
class Breed < ActiveRecord::Base
  attr_accessible :name
end
```



Migrate the Database

20140621195618_create_breeds.rb

```
class CreateBreeds < ActiveRecord::Migration
  def change
    create_table :breeds do |t|
      t.string :name

      t.timestamps
    end
  end
end
```



```
→ my_first_app rake db:migrate
```

```
== CreateBreeds: migrating =====
-- create_table(:breeds)
   -> 0.0010s
== CreateBreeds: migrated (0.0011s) =====
```



Generate a Controller

```
→ my_first_app rails generate controller breeds index

create app/controllers/breeds_controller.rb
route get "breeds/index"
invoke erb
create app/views/breeds
create app/views/breeds/index.html.erb
invoke test_unit
create test/functional/breeds_controller_test.rb
invoke helper
create app/helpers/breeds_helper.rb
invoke test_unit
create test/unit/helpers/breeds_helper_test.rb
invoke assets
invoke coffee
create app/assets/javascripts/breeds.js.coffee
invoke scss
create app/assets/stylesheets/breeds.css.scss
```



Create the Index Action

breeds_controller.rb

```
class BreedsController < ApplicationController
  def index
  end
end
```



```
class BreedsController < ApplicationController
  def index
    @breeds = Breed.all
  end
end
```

Tweak the Route

config/routes.rb

```
MyFirstApp::Application.routes.draw do  
  get "breeds/index"  
end
```



```
MyFirstApp::Application.routes.draw do  
  get "breeds" => "breeds#index"  
end
```

Create the View

views/breeds/index.html.erb

```
<h1>Breeds#index</h1>
<p>Find me in app/views/breeds/index.html.erb</p>
```



```
<h1>Breeds</h1>
<p>This is my awesome list of breeds!</p>

<% @breeds.each do |breed| %>
  <%= breed.name %><br>
<% end %>
```


GET /breeds



config/routes.rb

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get "breeds" => "breeds#index"
```

Router



controllers/breeds_controller.rb

```
class BreedsController < ApplicationController
  def index
    @breeds = Breed.all
  end
end
```

Controller



models/breed.rb

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class Breed < ActiveRecord::Base
  attr_accessible :name
end
```

Model



views/breeds/index.html.erb

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View

Start the Rails Server

→ `my_first_app rails server`

```
=> Booting WEBrick
=> Rails 3.2.11 application starting in development on http://0.0.0.0:3000
=> Call with -d to detach
=> Ctrl-C to shutdown server
[2014-06-22 01:34:01] INFO  WEBrick 1.3.1
[2014-06-22 01:34:01] INFO  ruby 2.1.1 (2014-02-24) [x86_64-darwin12.0]
[2014-06-22 01:34:01] INFO  WEBrick::HTTPServer#start: pid=1365 port=3000
```

localhost:3000/breeds

Breeds

This is my awesome list of breeds!

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Using the Console

→ `my_first_app` rails console

Loading development environment (Rails 3.2.11)

2.1.1 :001 > `Breed.create(name: "Labrador")`

(0.2ms) begin transaction

SQL (8.6ms) INSERT INTO "breeds" ("created_at", "name", "updated_at") VALUES (?, ?, ?) [["created_at", Sat, 21 Jun 2014 22:47:55 UTC +00:00], ["name", "Labrador"], ["updated_at", Sat, 21 Jun 2014 22:47:55 UTC +00:00]]

(0.5ms) commit transaction

=> #<Breed id: 1, name: "Labrador", created_at: "2014-06-21"

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localhost:3000/breeds

Breeds

This is my awesome list of breeds!

Labrador
Beagle
Poodle
Boxer

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REST

Create another model
with a scaffold

Review the scaffold

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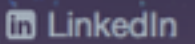
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