

Gems

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Packaged code containing a library or program in Ruby



RubyGems

- Gem Management System
- Integrated in Ruby since version 1.9
- Provides the command line tool 'gem'



RubyGems

```
# Gem Search
$ gem search gem_name
# Gem Install
$ gem install gem_name
# List all installed gems
$ gem list
# Gem Uninstall
$ gem uninstall gem_name
```



Using Gems

- Some gems create command line binaries
- Others simply provide a library that can be imported
- To load the libraries ruby provides the require method

require 'gemname'

 In Ruby versions below 1.9 you first need to require ruby gems





Developer

Blood Type: A+

Zodiac sign: Aries

Favourite movie: Novecento

• Ruby: 1.9.2

• Sinatra: 1.4.5





Developer

Blood Type: O

Zodiac Sign: Gemini

• Favourite movie: Trainspotting

• Ruby: 2.1.2

• Sinatra: 1.0.2

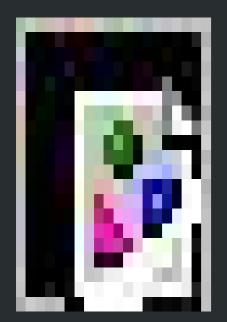






require 'sinatra'

get '/' do
 sinatra.the_erratic_method
end







Bundler

gem install bundler





Gemfile

```
source 'https://rubygems.org'
gem 'imdb'
```



Bundle install

bundle install

You need to bundle install in the directory where the Gemfile is



Gemfile.lock

```
GEM
  remote: https://rubygems.org/
  specs:
    imdb (0.8.2)
       nokogiri (= 1.6.2.1)
       mini_portile (0.6.0)
       nokogiri (1.6.2.1)
        mini_portile (= 0.6.0)

PLATFORMS
  ruby

DEPENDENCIES
  imdb
```



Marking specific versions

```
source 'https://rubygems.org'
gem 'imdb'
gem 'pry', '0.10.0'
```

bundle install



Wildcards in version numbers

```
source 'https://rubygems.org'
gem 'imdb'
gem 'pry', '~> 0.10.0'
```

bundle update pry

```
Using slop 3.6.0
Using pry 0.10.1 (was 0.10.0)
Using bundler 1.6.3
```



Grouping

```
source 'https://rubygems.org'
gem 'imdb'
group :development do
 gem 'pry', '~> 0.10.0'
end
group :production do
 gem 'therubyracer'
end
group :test do
 gem 'rspec'
end
```



Bundle exec

- In case you are using RVM it is automatically included for you
- If not, you need to prepend 'bundle exec' to all ruby commands you run in the project folder to use bundled ruby gems



Bundle open

EDITOR=subl bundle open pry



Classical project structure

```
Gemfile
Gemfile.lock
lib
my_program.rb
spec
```



Discovering Gems

- RubyGems is not really useful to discover new Gems
- Github and Google are your friends!

https://www.ruby-toolbox.com

