

### General Remarks about the Language

IRB is an interactive Ruby Shell good for starting out. (\$ irb)

Ruby does not need to be compiled (most of the time) since it is interpreted.

Everything in Ruby is an object.

Ruby variables don't have types - only objects do.

Ruby wants you to omit ()'s and ;'s

Ruby will make you happy so enjoy.

### Control Structure

```
if [conditional] ...
else ... end
-----
[conditional] ? true block
... : false block ...
-----
if [conditional] ...
elsif [conditional] ...
else ... end
-----
while [conditional] ...
end
-----
until [conditional] ...
end
-----
case someVar
when [condition] ...
when [condition] ...
(as many whens as needed)
else ... end
-----
```

### Control Structure (cont)

```
someVar.each do |x| ...
end
someVar.each {|x| ... }
-----
for each x in someVar do
... end
```

### Variable Classifications

variable_name	Local Variable
VARIABLE	Constant Variable

@variable_name	Instance Variable
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@@variable_name	Class Variable
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=	Assignment
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Everything is an object so variables do not have explicit data types

### Strings

.length	Length of the String
.count(param)	How many times the param appears in the String
.insert(pos, param)	Inserts the param in the position of the String
.upcase	Converts all characters to uppercase
.downcase	Converts all characters to lowercase
.swapcase	Converts all uppercase characters lowercase & lowercase to uppercase
.reverse	Reverses the order of the characters

### Strings (cont)

.split	Breaks up a String on whitespace and stores all those strings in an array
.chop	Removes the last character
.strip	Removes all whitespace, tabs, new lines & carriage returns
.chomp	Removes the last character if it's a new line or carriage return
[start, end]	Returns a substring
.to_i	Converts to integer
+	Concatenates strings
.index(position)	Returns the character in the specified position
.clear	Removes all content

### Function Structure

```
def methodName ... end
def methodName (param1, param2) ... end
```

No Return Statements. No need for ()'s with no parameters.

### Operators

Arithmetic	Operators
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division

### Operators (cont)

%	Modulus
**	Exponent
Compare	Operators
==	Values Equal?
!=	Values Not Equal?
>	Left op greater than Right op?
<	Left op Less than Right op?
>=	Left op greater than or equal to Right op?
<=	Left op less than or equal to Right op?
<=>	Spaceship: returns 0 if ops are equal, 1 if Left op is greater than Right op and -1 if Left op is less than Right op
===	A case comparative for when control structure
.eql?	Values Equal for both type and value?
.equal?	Values are the same object?
Logical	Operators
and, &&	AND
or,	OR
not, !	NOT

Arrays	
<code>array = Array.new(lengthParam)</code>	Creates array where each element is NIL
<code>array = [element1, element2, ...]</code>	Creates array with the specified elements
<code>array[index]</code>	Returns the element value at index
<code>array.length</code>	Returns the size of the array
<code>array.push param &lt;&lt;</code>	Adds the params as separate elements to the end of the array
<code>array.pop</code>	Removes the element from the end
<code>array.unshift param</code>	Adds the params as separate elements to the front
<code>array.shift</code>	Removes the element from the front
<code>array.reverse</code>	Reverses the order of elements
<code>array.shuffle</code>	Randomly shuffles up order of elements
<code>array.sort</code>	Sorts the array of elements
<code>array.include? param</code>	Returns true if the param exists in the array
<code>array.uniq</code>	Returns an array of only the unique elements

Arrays (cont)	
<code>array.fill param</code>	Sets all the array elements to the param
<code>array.each { x  ...}</code>	Iterates over each element in the array
<code>array.each_index { i  ...}</code>	Iterates over each index in the array
A single array can hold elements of different object types.	

Ranges	
<code>range = Range.new(start, end)</code>	Creates a new Range from the starting point to the end point
<code>range = start..end</code>	Creates a range from start to end inclusive
<code>range = start...end</code>	Creates a range from start to end exclusive
<code>range.to_a</code>	Converts a range to an array
<code>range.each</code>	Iterators through each element
<code>range.include? (param)</code>	Returns true if the param exists in the Range
<code>range.last param</code>	Returns the last element. Param can be added to provide more than just the last.

Above each function can be used with `(start..end)` or `(start...end)` as well

Hashes	
<code>map = Hash.new</code>	Creates an empty hash map
<code>map = Hash.new(default)</code>	Creates an empty hash map where if key or value cannot be found, default value is returned.
<code>map = Hash["key1" =&gt; value1, "key2" =&gt; value2, ...]</code>	Creates a hash map with 2 key-value pairs
<code>map = Hash["key1" =&gt; value1, "key2" =&gt; value2, ...]</code>	Creates a hash map with 2 key-value pairs
<code>map["key3"] = value3</code>	Adds a key-value pair to the map
<code>map.has_key? key</code>	Returns true if the key exists as a key in the hash map
<code>map.has_value? value</code>	Returns true if the value exists as a value in the hash map
<code>map.fetch key</code>	Returns the value that corresponds to the key
<code>map.delete param</code>	Deletes the key-value pair with the key param

Hashes (cont)	
<code>map.length</code>	Returns the number of key-value pairs in the hash map
<code>map.keys</code>	Returns an array of all the keys in the hash map
<code>map.values</code>	Returns an array of all the values in the hash map
<code>map.sort</code>	Sorts the keys of the hash map in alphabetical order
<code>map.inspect</code>	Returns the current state of the hash map
<code>map.each { k, v  ...}</code>	Iterates over each key-value pair in the hash map
<code>map.each_key { k  ...}</code>	Iterates over each key in the hash map
<code>map.each_value { v  ...}</code>	Iterates over each value in the hash map
<code>map.each_value { v  ...}</code>	Iterates over each value in the hash map

### Class Structure

```
class className1
  @instVariable
  @@classVariable
  ...
  attr_accessor
  :instVariable
  ..
```



### Class Structure (cont)

```
    def initialize
      ...
    end

    def classMethod1 param
      ...
    end
end
class className2
  ...
end
```

### Class Details

**Initialize** A method that is called internally when `.new` is called to create the object.

**attr\_reader** Instance variable getter

**attr\_writer** Instance variable setter

**attr\_accessor** Instance variable getter and setter

or

**className** Method called to create the specified object  
`e.new`

No overloading methods in Ruby.

Multiple classes can be written in the same file.

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