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PC/SC sample in Rust

To continue the list of PC/SC wrappers initiated in 2010 with "PC/SC sample in different languages" I now present a sample in Rust.

pcsc-rust

pcsc-rust is written by Ran Benita since January 2017 and uses the MIT license.

Project web site: https://github.com/bluetech/pcsc-rust

Installation

pcsc-rust is easy to use. Installation is automatic using cargo (the Rust package manager).

Source code

You only need 2 files: one file <code>Cargo.toml</code> indicating the dependency on pcsc-rust, and the source code itself in the default file <code>src/main.rs</code> .

File Cargo.toml:

```
[package]
name = "hello_world"
version = "0.1.0"
authors = ["Your Name <you@example.com>"]

[dependencies]
pcsc = "0.1"
```

File src/main.rs:

```
extern crate pcsc;
use pcsc::*;
use std::str;
fn main() {
   // Establish a PC/SC context.
   let ctx = Context::establish(Scope::User)
       .expect("failed to establish context");
   // List available readers.
   let mut readers_buf = [0; 2048];
   let mut readers = ctx.list_readers(&mut readers_buf)
       .expect("failed to list readers");
   // Use the first reader.
   let reader = readers.next().ok_or(())
       .expect("no readers are connected");
   println!("Using reader: {:?}", reader);
   // Connect to the card.
   let card = ctx.connect(reader, ShareMode::Shared, PROTOCOL_ANY)
       .expect("failed to connect to card");
   // Send an SELECT APDU command.
```



The source code is an adaptation of the already existing pcsc-rust project example: https://github.com/bluetech/pcsc-rust#example

Build

```
$ cargo build
Compiling pkg-config v0.3.9
Compiling bitflags v0.7.0
Compiling pcsc-sys v0.1.0
Compiling pcsc v0.1.0
Compiling hello_world v0.1.0 (file:///Users/rousseau/Documents/sc/HelloWorld%20Rus
t)
Finished debug [unoptimized + debuginfo] target(s) in 3.4 secs
```

Output

```
$ ./target/debug/hello_world
Using reader: "Gemalto PC Twin Reader"
[144, 0]
[72, 101, 108, 108, 111, 32, 119, 111, 114, 108, 100, 33, 144, 0]
Hello world!
```

Conclusion

pcsc-rust API seems complete, is easy to use and is well documented.

If you know a PC/SC wrapper that is not yet in my list then please contact me.



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