Managing Code | External Modules

External Modules

- Allows code to be compartmentalized
 - Organized source code management
 - Better collaboration
- More intuitive coding
 - Quickly identify where imported code is used

Module Details

- Can have any name
- Hierarchical organization
- Private by default
 - Use pub keyword to make a module public
- External modules can be a:
 - Directory
 - Can contain additional modules
 - File

Directory Structure

```
    bin

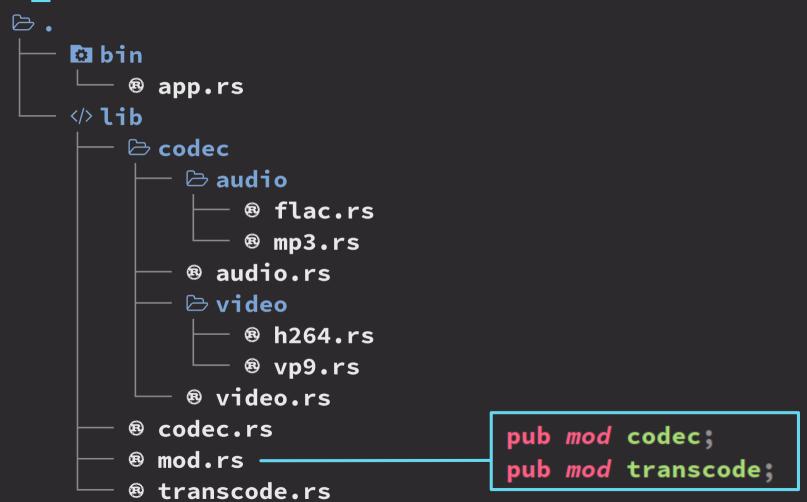
        ® app.rs
    </> lib

    □ audio

® flac.rs

                ® mp3.rs
            ® audio.rs
            8 h264.rs
                ® vp9.rs
            ® video.rs
        ® codec.rs
        ® mod.rs
        ® transcode.rs
```

```
# Cargo.toml
[lib]
name = "demo"
path = "src/lib/mod.rs"
```



```
    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib

    □ audio

                                        mod inner {
                 ® flac.rs
                 ® mp3.rs
             ® audio.rs

    ∀ video

                 ® h264.rs
                 ® vp9.rs
             ® video.rs
        ® codec.rs
                                    pub mod codec;
        ® mod.rs
                                    pub mod transcode;
        ® transcode.rs
```

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    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib

    □ audio

                 ® flac.rs
                 ® mp3.rs
             ® audio.rs

    ∀ video

                                     pub mod audio;
                 8 h264.rs
                                     pub mod video;
                 ® vp9.rs
             ® video.rs
         ® codec.rs.
                                     pub mod codec;
         ® mod.rs
                                     pub mod transcode;
         ® transcode.rs
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    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib

    □ audio

                 ® flac.rs
                                     pub mod h264;
                 ® mp3.rs
                                     pub mod vp9;
             ® audio.rs

    ∀ video

                                     pub mod audio;
                 8 h264.rs
                                     pub mod video;
                 ® vp9.rs
             ® video.rs ✓
        ® codec.rs
                                     pub mod codec;
        ® mod.rs
                                     pub mod transcode;
        ® transcode.rs
```

```
    bin

        ® app.rs
                                    pub mod flac;
    </> lib
                                    pub mod mp3;

    □ audio

                 ® flac.rs
                                    pub mod h264;
                 ® mp3.rs
                                    pub mod vp9;
             ® audio.rs∕

    ∀ video

                                    pub mod audio;
                 8 h264.rs
                                    pub mod video;
                 ® vp9.rs
             ® video.rs
        ® codec.rs
                                     pub mod codec;
        ® mod.rs
                                    pub mod transcode;
        ® transcode.rs
```

Accessing Functionality

```
    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib
                             // flac.rs
        use super::mp3;

    □ audio

                             pub fn sample() {

® flac.rs

                                 mp3::some_fn();
                ® mp3.rs
                                 super::mp3::some_fn();
            ® audio.rs
                                 crate::codec::audio::mp3::some_fn();

    ∀ video

                                 super::super::video::h264::some_fn();
                8 h264.rs
                ® vp9.rs
            ® video.rs
        ® codec.rs
        ® mod.rs
        ® transcode.rs
```

Module Aliases

```
    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib
        pub fn sample() {

    □ audio

                ® flac.rs
                                use crate::transcode as tc;
                ® mp3.rs
                                tc::some_fn();
            ® audio.rs

    ∀ video

                8 h264.rs
                ® vp9.rs
            ® video.rs
        ® codec.rs
        ® mod.rs
        ® transcode.rs
```

Re-exporting Modules

```
    bin

        ® app.rs
    </> lib

    □ audio

® flac.rs

                 ® mp3.rs
             ® audio.rs

    ∀ video

                                 use crate::codec::mp3;
                 8 h264.rs
                 ® vp9.rs
             ® video.rs
                                  pub mod audio;
        ® codec.rs -
                                  pub mod video;
        ® mod.rs
                                  pub use audio::mp3;
        ® transcode.rs
```

Recap

- Modules are organized hierarchically
 - Use super to go up one level
 - Use crate to start from the top
- The as keyword can be used to create an alias for a module
- The mod keyword is used to declare a module
 - No curly braces for external modules
- Modules can be re-exported with the use keyword
- pub indicates the module may be accessed from anywhere
 - Omitting pub restricts access to only the containing module and sub-modules