Bringing Extract Method Refactoring to the Rust Programming Language: Experiments with REM

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Abstract

This report details my current progress on advancing extract method refactoring in the Rust programming language. This project builds on existing work completed by Ilya Sergey, Sewen Thy and others in Adventure of a Lifetime: Extract Method Refactoring for Rust. The first half of the project is focussed on bringing the Rusty Extraction Maestro (REM) tool to a usable state, with the second half focussed on researching and evaluating new extraction methods.

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Source Code

The source code for this project can be found at the following repositories:

- REM-cli
- REM-extract
- REM-vscode
- REM-utils
- REM-controller
- REM-borrower
- REM-repairer
- REM-constraint