

Rust

Introduction to next generation programming
language

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Getting started

```
curl https://sh.rustup.rs -sSf | sh
```

```
git clone https://github.com/bmalecki/rust-  
getting-started
```

Why Rust?

- Fast - uses LLVM to generate byte code
- Safety – compiler prevents from common programmer's errors (not permit null pointers, dangling pointers, or data races)
- Multi-paradigm – gains from the best parts of various paradigms
- Modern – created in the 21st century

Interesting facts

- First Rust compiler was written in OCaml
- Developed by the Mozilla Foundation
- NPM (JavaScript repository) uses Rust
- The most loved language according to StackOverflow survey result (2019)

Hello world

```
fn main() {  
    println!("Hello, world!");  
}
```

Compilation

- `rustc main.rs` – rust compiler command
- `cargo run` – package manager command

Output

```
$ rustc main.rs
$ ls -al
-rwxrwxr-x 1 bartek bartek 2,4M Apr 16 19:30 main
-rw-rw-r-- 1 bartek bartek 45 Apr 15 23:06 main.rs
```

By default Rust uses static linking to compile program.

Output

```
$ rustc main.rs -C prefer-dynamic
```

```
$ export
```

```
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$LD_LIBRARY_PATH:$HOME/.rustup/toolchains/stable-  
x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu/lib
```

```
$ ls -alh
```

```
-rwxrwxr-x 1 bartek bartek 14K Apr 16 19:37 main  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 bartek bartek 45 Apr 15 23:06 main.rs
```

Rust can use dynamic linking but we have to add its libraries to list of directories where the system searches for runtime libraries.

Cargo

Cargo is Rust package manager.

```
cargo new hello-cargo  
cd hello-cargo  
cargo run
```

```
cargo run --bin binary_name # for multiple executable
```

Influences

- SML, OCaml: algebraic data types, pattern matching, type inference, semicolon statement separation
- C++: references, RAI, smart pointers, move semantics, monomorphization, memory model
- ML Kit, Cyclone: region based memory management
- Haskell (GHC): typeclasses, type families
- Newsqueak, Alef, Limbo: channels, concurrency
- Erlang: message passing, thread failure
- Swift: optional bindings
- Scheme: hygienic macros
- C#: attributes
- Unicode Annex #31: identifier and pattern syntax

<https://doc.rust-lang.org/reference/influences.html>

Comparison Rust to OCaml

Primitive types

| Description | OCaml | Rust | Description | OCaml | Rust |
|---|--------------|-------------------|--|-------|---------------|
| Unit type | unit | () | 16 bit wide unsigned integer | - | u16, u32, u64 |
| Boolean type | bool | bool | 32-bit IEEE 754 binary floating-point | - | f32 |
| Signed integer, machine-dependent width | int | int | 64-bit IEEE 754 binary floating-point | float | f64 |
| Unsigned integer, machine-dependent width | - | uint | Unicode scalar value (non-surrogate code points) | - | char |
| X bit wide signed integer, two's complement | int32, int64 | i8, i16, i32, i64 | UTF-8 encoded character string. | - | str |
| 8 bit wide unsigned integer | char | u8 | | | |

Operators

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| <code>==</code> | <code>!=</code> | <code><</code> | <code>></code> | <code><=</code> | <code>>=</code> | <code>&&</code> | <code> </code> | <code>//</code> | Rust |
| <code>=</code> | <code><></code> | <code><</code> | <code>></code> | <code><=</code> | <code>>=</code> | <code>&&</code> | <code> </code> | <code>(*</code> | <code>OCaml</code> <code>*)</code> |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <code>+</code> | <code>+</code> | <code>+</code> | <code>+</code> | <code>-</code> | <code>-</code> | <code>*</code> | <code>*</code> | <code>/</code> | <code>/</code> | <code>%</code> | <code>!</code> | <code>//</code> | Rust |
| <code>+</code> | <code>+</code> | <code>.</code> | <code>@</code> | <code>^</code> | <code>-</code> | <code>.</code> | <code>*</code> | <code>.</code> | <code>/</code> | <code>.</code> | <code>mod</code> | <code>not</code> | <code>(*</code> <code>OCaml</code> <code>*)</code> |

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|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|------|
| <code>&</code> | <code> </code> | <code>^</code> | <code><<</code> | <code>>></code> | <code>!</code> | <code>//</code> | Rust |
| <code>land</code> | <code>lor</code> | <code>lxor</code> | <code>[la]sl</code> | <code>[la]sr</code> | <code>lnot</code> | <code>(*</code> <code>OCaml</code> <code>*)</code> | |

Compound expressions

| Name | OCaml | Rust | Name | OCaml | Rust |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--|---------------------|-----------|
| Record expression | {a=10; b=20} | R{ a:10, b:20} | Array expression, fixed repeats of first value | | [x, ..10] |
| Record with functional update | {z with a=30} | R{a:30, .. z} | Index expression (vectors/arrays) | x.(10) | x[10] |
| Tuple expression | (x,y,z) | (x,y,z) | Index expression (strings) | x.[10] | x[10] |
| Field expression | x.f | x.f | Block expression | begin x;y;z end | {x;y;z} |
| Array expression, fixed size | [x;y;z] | [x,y,z] | Block expression (ends with unit) | begin x;y;() end | {x;y;} |

Functions types and definitions

// Rust

// f : |int,int| -> int

fn f (x:int, y:int) -> int { x + y };

// fact : |int| -> int

```
fn fact (n:int) -> int {  
    if n == 1 { 1 }  
    else { n * fact(n-1) }  
}
```

(* OCaml *)

(* val f : int * int -> int *)

let f (x, y) = x + y

(* val fact : int -> int *)

```
let rec fact n =  
    if n = 1 then 1  
    else n * fact (n-1)
```


Pattern match and guards

```
// Rust
match e {
  0      => 1,
  t @ 2  => t + 1,
  n if n < 10 => 3,
  _      => 4
}
```

```
(* OCaml *)
match e with
| 0      -> 1
| 2 as t  -> t + 1
| n when n < 10 -> 3
| _      -> 4
```

Recursion with side effects

```
// Rust
fn collatz(n:uint) {
    let v = match n % 2 {
        0 => n / 2,
        _ => 3 * n + 1
    }
    println!("{}", v);
    if v != 1 { collatz(v) }
}
fn main() { collatz(25) }
```

```
(* OCaml *)
let rec collatz n =
    let v = match n % 2 with
        | 0 -> n / 2
        | _ -> 3 * n + 1
    in
    Printf.printf "%d\n" v;
    if v <> 1 then collatz v

let _ = collatz 25
```

Record types, expressions and field access

```
// Rust
struct Point {
  x : int,
  y : int
}
```

```
let v = Point {x:1, y:2};
let s = v.x + v.y
```

```
(* OCaml *)
type Point = {
  x : int;
  y : int
}
```

```
let v = { x = 1; y = 2 };
let s = v.x + v.y
```

Algebraic data types

```
// Rust
enum Option<T> {
    None,
    Some(T)
}
// x : Option<t>
match x {
    None    => false,
    Some(_) => true
}
```

```
(* OCaml *)
type 't option =
    None
  | Some of 't

(* x : t option *)
match x with
  | None -> false
  | Some _ -> true
```

Lambda expression

// Rust

// ||int,int| -> int, int| -> int

```
fn ff(f:|int,int|->int, x:int) -> int  
    { f (x, x) }
```

// m2 : |int| -> int

```
fn m2(n : int) -> int  
    { ff ((|x,y| { x + y }), n) }
```

(* OCaml *)

(* (int*int->b)*int -> int *)

```
let ff (f, x) =  
    f (x, x)
```

(* m2 : int -> int *)

```
let m2 n =  
    ff ((fun(x,y) -> x + y), n)
```

OOP in Rust

- Encapsulation (struct)
- Polymorphism (traits) without inheritance

Struct

```
pub struct Counter {  
    count: u32,  
    id: u32  
}
```

Methods

```
impl Counter {  
    fn new() -> Counter {  
        Counter { count: 0 }  
    }  
}
```


Traits

```
pub trait Draw {  
    fn draw(&self);  
}
```

Implementing traits

```
impl Draw for Counter {  
    fn draw(&self) {  
        println!("counter id: {} has {}", self.id,  
self.count)  
    }  
}
```

Scoping rules

- Ownership
- Borrowing
- Lifetimes

Ownership

- Each value in Rust has a variable that's called its owner.
- There can only be one owner at a time.
- When the owner goes out of scope, the value will be dropped.

Borrowing

- one or more references (&T) to a resource,
- exactly one mutable reference (&mut T).

Lifetimes

- The scope for which that reference is valid
- Most of the time, lifetimes are implicit and inferred
- We must annotate lifetimes when the lifetimes of references could be related in a few different ways

The Borrow Checker

```
{
  // Not compile
  let r;

  {
    let x = 5;
    r = &x;
  }

  println!("r: {}", r);
}
```

// -----+-- 'a
// |
// |
// -+-- 'b |
// | |
// -+ |
// |
// |

The Borrow Checker

```
{  
  let x = 5;           // -----+-- 'b  
                        //      |  
  let r = &x;          // --+-- 'a  |  
                        //      |  |  
  println!("r: {}", r); //      |  |  
                        // --+    |  
                        // -----+  
}
```


Lifetime Annotations in Function Signatures

```
fn longest<'a>(x: &'a str, y: &'a str) -> &'a str {  
    if x.len() > y.len() {  
        x  
    } else {  
        y  
    }  
}
```

Lifetime elision rules

1. Each parameter that is a reference gets its own lifetime parameter.

```
fn foo<'a, 'b>(x: &'a i32, y: &'b i32)
```

```
fn foo(x: & i32, y: &i32)
```

Lifetime elision rules

2. If there is exactly one input lifetime parameter, that lifetime is assigned to all output lifetime parameters

```
fn foo<'a>(x: &'a i32) -> &'a i32)
```

```
fn foo(x: &i32) -> &i32
```

Lifetime elision rules

3. If there are multiple input lifetime parameters, but one of them is `&self` or `&mut self` because this is a method, the lifetime of `self` is assigned to all output lifetime parameters

```
fn foo<'a>(&'a self , x: &'a i32) -> &'a i32)
```

```
fn foo(&self, x: &i32) -> &i32
```

Concurrency

- Shared memory
- Message passing

Message passing

- “Do not communicate by sharing memory; instead, share memory by communicating.” - GoLang slogan

Shared-State Concurrency

- Using Mutexes to Allow Access to Data from One Thread at a Time

Smart pointers

- `Box<T>` for allocating values on the heap
- `Rc<T>`, a reference counting type that enables multiple ownership
- `Ref<T>` and `RefMut<T>`, accessed through `RefCell<T>`, a type that enforces the borrowing rules at runtime instead of compile time

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Smart pointers for concurrency

- Mutex<T>
- Arc<T>
- RefCell<T>
- Rc<T>

Risk of:

- Deadlock

Risk of:

- Creating reference cycle

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