

Vectors and Hash Maps

Performant Software Systems with Rust — Lecture 7

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Vectors: `Vec<T>`

- Growable stores on the heap that contain multiple values of the **same type**
 - such as characters in a `String`

```
1 let v = vec![1, 2, 3];
```

```
1 let v: Vec<i32> = Vec::new(); // type annotation is required
```

```
1 let mut v = Vec::new(); // no type annotation needed  
2 v.push(5); // updating a vector by pushing a value into it
```

Reading Elements of a Vector

```
1 {  
2     let v = vec![1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
3  
4     let third: &i32 = &v[2]; // panics if the index is out of bounds  
5     println!("The third element is {third}");  
6  
7     let third: Option<&i32> = v.get(2); // returns None, no panic!  
8     match third {  
9         Some(third) => println!("The third element is {third}"),  
10        None => println!("There is no third element."),  
11    }  
12 } // v goes out of scope and is freed here
```

Enforcing Ownership Rules

```
1 let mut v = vec![1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
2  
3 let first = &v[0]; // immutable borrow  
4 v.push(6); // mutable borrow  
5 println!("The first element is: {first}");
```

cannot borrow `v` as mutable because it is also borrowed as immutable

Iterating Over the Values in a Vector

```
1 let mut v = vec![1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
2  
3 for i in &v {  
4     println!("{i}");  
5 }  
6  
7 for i in &mut v {  
8     *i += 50; // dereference the mutable reference  
9 }
```

Live Demo

Using an Enum to Store Multiple Types in a Vector

```
1 enum SpreadsheetCell {  
2     Int(i32),  
3     Float(f64),  
4     Text(String),  
5 }  
6  
7 let row = vec![  
8     SpreadsheetCell::Int(3),  
9     SpreadsheetCell::Text(String::from("blue")),  
10    SpreadsheetCell::Float(10.12),  
11 ];
```

Hash Maps: `HashMap<K, V>` Are Key-Value Stores

- Stores a mapping of keys of type `K` (same type) to values of type `V` (same type) on the heap
 - Using a hash function
 - Useful when you wish to look up data using keys rather than indices
 - Similar to dictionaries in Python

Inserting Key-Value Pairs into Hash Maps

- Moves ownership into the hash map, except references

```
1 use std::collections::HashMap;
2
3 let mut scores = HashMap::new();
4
5 scores.insert(String::from("Blue"), 10);
6 scores.insert(String::from("Yellow"), 50);
7
8 for (key, value) in &scores {
9     println!("{key}: {value}");
10 }
```


Updating a Hash Map by Replacing a Value

```
1 let mut scores = HashMap::new();  
2  
3 scores.insert(String::from("Blue"), 10);  
4 scores.insert(String::from("Blue"), 25);  
5  
6 println!("{scores:?}");
```

```
{"Blue": 25}
```

Adding a Key and Value Only If a Key Is Not Present

```
1 let mut scores = HashMap::new();
2 scores.insert(String::from("Blue"), 10);
3
4 // entry() returns a mutable reference
5 scores.entry(String::from("Yellow")).or_insert(50);
6 scores.entry(String::from("Blue")).or_insert(50);
7
8 println!("{scores:?}");
```

```
{"Yellow": 50, "Blue": 10}
```

Updating a Value Based on the Old Value

```
1 let text = "hello world wonderful world";
2
3 let mut map = HashMap::new();
4
5 for word in text.split_whitespace() {
6     let count = map.entry(word).or_insert(0);
7     *count += 1;
8 }
9
10 println!("{map:?}");
```

`{"world": 2, "wonderful": 1, "hello": 1}`

Required Additional Reading

The Rust Programming Language, Chapter 8