Demo Rust Axum

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Demo of Rust and axum web framework

Demonstration of:

- Rust: programming language that focuses on reliability and stability.
- axum: web framework that focuses on ergonomics and modularity.
- tower: library for building robust clients and servers.
- hyper: fast and safe HTTP library for the Rust language.
- tokio: platform for writing asynchronous I/O backed applications.
- Serde: serialization/deserialization framework.

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What is this?

This demo is a tutorial that teaches how to build features from the ground up with axum and its ecosystem of tower middleware, hyper HTTP library, tokio asynchronous platform, and Serde data conversions.

What will you learn?

- Create a project using Rust and the axum web framework.
- Leverage capabilities of a hyper server and tower middleware.
- Create axum router routes and their handler functions.
- Create responses with HTTP status code OK and HTML text.
- Create a binary image and respond with a custom header.
- Handle HTTP verbs including GET, PUT, PATCH, POST, DELETE.
- Use axum extractors for query parameters and path parameters.
- Manage a data store and access it using RESTful routes.

What is required?

Some knowledge of Rust programming is required, such as:

- How to create a Rust project, build it, and run it.
- How to write functions and their parameters
- How to use shell command line tools such as curl.

Some knowledge about web frameworks is required, such as:

- The general concepts of HTTP requests and responses.
- The general concepts of RESTful routes and resources.
- The general concepts of formats for HTML, JSON, and text.

What is helpful?

Some knowledge of web frameworks is helpful, such as:

- Rust web frameworks, such as Actix, Rocket, Warp, etc.
- Other languages' web frameworks, such as Rails, Phoenix, Express, etc.
- Other web-related frameworks, such as React, Vue, Svelte, etc.

Some knowledge of this stack can be helpful, such as:

- middleware programming e.g. with tower
- asynchronous application programming e.g. with tokio
- HTTP services programming e.g. with hyper

What is axum?

High level features:

- Route requests to handlers with a macro free API.
- Declaratively parse requests using extractors.
- Simple and predictable error handling model.
- Generate responses with minimal boilerplate.
- Take full advantage of the tower and its ecosystem.

How is axum special?

The tower ecosystem is what sets axum apart from other frameworks:

- axum doesn't have its own middleware system but instead uses tower::Service.
- axum gets timeouts, tracing, compression, authorization, and more, for free.
- axum can share middleware with applications written using hyper or tonic.

Why learn axum now?

- axum combines the speed and security of Rust with the power of battle-tested libraries for middleware, asynchronous programming, and HTTP.
- axum is primed to reach developers who are currently using other Rust web frameworks, such as Actix, Rocket, Warp, and others.
- axum is likely to appeal to programmers who are seeking a faster web framework and who want closer-to-the-metal capabilties.

Hello, World!

Link to examples/axum-hello-world

What is tower?

Tower is a library of modular and reusable components for building robust networking clients and servers.

Tower aims to make it as easy as possible to build robust networking clients and servers. It is protocol agnostic, but is designed around a request / response pattern. If your protocol is entirely stream based, Tower may not be a good fit.

Service

At Tower's core is the Service trait. A Service is an asynchronous function that takes a request and produces a response.

```
pub trait Service<Request> {
    type Response;
    type Error;
    type Future: Future<Output = Result<Self::Response, Self::Error>>;
    fn poll_ready(
        &mut self,
        cx: &mut Context<'_>,
    ) -> Poll<Result<(), Self::Error>>;
    fn call(&mut self, req: Request) -> Self::Future;
}
```

Call

The most common way to call a service is:

```
use tower::{
    Service,
    ServiceExt,
};

let response = service
    // wait for the service to have capacity
    .ready().await?
```

```
// send the request
.call(request).await?;
```

What is hyper?

hyper is a fast HTTP implementation written in and for Rust.

- A Client for talking to web services.
- A Server for building those web services.
- Blazing fast* thanks to Rust.
- High concurrency with non-blocking sockets.
- HTTP/1 and HTTP/2 support.

Hyper is low-level

hyper is a relatively low-level library, meant to be a building block for libraries and applications.

If you are looking for a convenient HTTP client, then you may wish to consider request.

If you are looking for a convenient HTTP server, then you may wish to consider warp.

Both are built on top of hyper.

Hello, World!

```
use std::convert::Infallible;

async fn handle(
    _: hyper::Request<Body>
) -> Result<hyper::Response<hyper::Body>, Infallible> {
    Ok(hyper::Response::new("Hello, World!".into()))
}

#[tokio::main]
async fn main() {
    let addr = SocketAddr::from(([127, 0, 0, 1], 3000));

let make_svc = hyper::service::make_service_fn(|_conn| async {
```

What is tokio?

tokio is an asynchronous runtime for the Rust programming language.

- Building blocks for writing network applications.
- Flexibility to target a wide range of systems.
- Memory-safe, thread-safe, and misuse-resistant.

The tokio stack includes:

- Runtime: Including I/O, timer, filesystem, synchronization, and scheduling.
- Hyper: An HTTP client and server library supporting HTTP protocols 1 and 2.
- Tonic: A boilerplate-free gRPC client and server library for network APIS.
- Tower: Modular components for building reliable clients and servers.
- Mio: Minimal portable API on top of the operating-system's evented I/O API.
- Tracing: Unified, structured, event-based data collection and logging.
- Bytes: A rich set of utilities for manipulating byte arrays.

Demo tokio server

```
});
}

async fn process(socket: tokio::net::TcpStream) {
   println!("process socket");
}
```

Demo tokio client

```
#[tokio::main]
async fn main() -> Result<()> {
    let mut client = client::connect("localhost:3000").await?;
    println!("connected);
    Ok(())
}
```

What is Serde?

Serde is a framework for serializing and deserializing Rust data structures efficiently and generically.

The Serde ecosystem consists of data structures that know how to serialize and deserialize themselves along with data formats that know how to serialize and deserialize other things.

Serde provides the layer by which these two groups interact with each other, allowing any supported data structure to be serialized and deserialized using any supported data format.

Design

Serde is built on Rust's powerful trait system.

- Serde provides the Serialize trait and Deserialize trait for data structures.
- Serde provides derive attributes, to generate implementations at compile time.
- Serde has no runtime overhead such as reflection or runtime type information.
- In many situations the interaction between data structure and data format can be completely optimized away by the Rust compiler.

Demo of Serde

```
use serde::{Serialize, Deserialize};

#[derive(Serialize, Deserialize, Debug)]
struct Point {
    x: i32,
    y: i32,
}

fn main() {
```

```
let point = Point { x: 1, y: 2 };

// Convert the Point to a JSON string.
let serialized = serde_json::to_string(&point).unwrap();

// Print {"x":1,"y":2}
println!("{}", serialized);

// Convert the JSON string back to a Point.
let deserialized: Point = serde_json::from_str(&serialized).unwrap();

// Print Point { x: 1, y: 2 }
println!("{:?}", deserialized);
}
```

Hello, World!

Create a typical new Rust project:

```
cargo new demo-rust-axum

cd demo-rust-axum
```

Edit file Cargo.toml.

Use this kind of package and these dependencies:

```
[package]
name = "demo-rust-axum"
version = "1.3.0"
edition = "2021"
[dependencies]
axum = { version = "~0.8.0" } # Web framework that focuses on ergonomics
hyper = { version = "~1.4.1", features = ["full"] } # A fast and correct |
tokio = { version = "~1.39.3", features = ["full"] } # Event-driven, non-l
tower = { version = "~0.5.2" } # Modular reusable components for building
serde = { version = "~1.0.217", features = ["derive"] } # A serialization
serde_json = { version = "~1.0.134" } # Serde serialization/deserialization
once_cell = { version = "~1.19.0" } # Single assignment cells and lazy va
base64 = { version = "~0.21.7" } # Encode and decode base64 as bytes or u
http = { version = "~1.1.0" } # Types for HTTP requests and responses.
tracing = { version = "~0.1.41" } # Application-level tracing for Rust.
tracing-subscriber = { version = "~0.3.19", features = ["env-filter"] } #
```

Edit file src/main.rs.

```
let listener = tokio::net::TcpListener::bind("0.0.0.0:3000").await.unw
axum::serve(listener, app).await.unwrap();
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000

You should see "Hello, World!".

In your shell, press CTRL-C to shut down.

Create a handler function

An axum route can call an axum handler, which is an async function that returns anything that axum can convert into a response.

Edit file main.rs.

Our demos will often use the axum routing get function, so add code to use it:

```
use axum::routing::get;
```

Add a handler, which is an async function that returns a string:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /" which returns a string and causes axum to
/// immediately respond with status code `200 OK` and with the string.
pub async fn hello() -> String {
    "Hello, World!".into()
}
```

Modify the Router code like this:

```
let app = axum::Router::new()
    .route("/",
            get(hello)
);
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000

You should see "Hello, World!".

In your shell, press CTRL-C to shut down.

Create a router fallback

For a request that fails to match anything in the router, you can use the function fallback.

Edit file main.rs.

Add code for the fallback handler trait:

```
use axum::handler::Handler;
```

Modify the Router to add the function fallback as the first choice:

```
let app = axum::Router::new()
    .fallback(
        fallback
)
    .route("/",
        get(hello)
);
```

Add the fallback handler:

```
/// axum handler for any request that fails to match the router
routes.
/// This implementation returns HTTP status code Not Found (404).
pub async fn fallback(
    uri: axum::http::Uri
) -> impl axum::response::IntoResponse {
        (axum::http::StatusCode::NOT_FOUND, format!("No route {}", uri))
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000/whatever

You should see "No route for /whatever".

Graceful shutdown

We want our demo server to be able to do graceful shutdown.

- Read tokio documentation about graceful shutdown
- Read hyper documentation about graceful shutdown
- Read axum example about graceful shutdown

Tokio graceful shutdown generally does these steps:

- Find out when to shut down.
- Tell each part of the program to shut down.
- Wait for each part of the program to shut down.

Hyper graceful shutdown generally does these steps:

- The server stops accepting new requests.
- The server waits for all in-progress requests to complete.
- Then the server shuts down.

axum used to have a graceful_shutdown function, but removed it.

The whole code

```
use axum::routing::get;
#[tokio::main]
pub async fn main() {
     // Build our application by creating our router.
    let app = axum::Router::new()
        .fallback(
            fallback
        .route("/",
            get(hello)
        );
    // Run our application as a hyper server on http://localhost:3000.
    let listener = tokio::net::TcpListener::bind("0.0.0.0:3000").await.un
    axum::serve(listener, app).await.unwrap();
}
/// axum handler for any request that fails to match the router routes.
/// This implementation returns HTTP status code Not Found (404).
pub async fn fallback(
    uri: axum::http::Uri
) -> impl axum::response::IntoResponse {
    (axum::http::StatusCode::NOT_FOUND, format!("No route {}", uri))
}
/// axum handler for "GET /" which returns a string and causes axum to
/// immediately respond with status code `200 OK` and with the string.
pub async fn hello() -> String {
    "Hello, World!".to_string()
}
```

Create axum routes and axum handlers

This section shows how to:

- Respond with HTML text
- Respond with an HTML file
- Respond with HTTP status code OK
- Respond with the request URI
- Respond with a custom header and image
- Respond to multiple HTTP verbs

Respond with HTML text

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /demo.html" which responds with HTML text.
/// The `Html` type sets an HTTP header content-type of `text/html`.
pub async fn get_demo_html() -> axum::response::Html<&'static str> {
    "<h1>Hello</h1>".into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000/demo.html

You should see HTML with headline text "Hello".

Respond with an HTML file

Create file hello.html.

Add this:

```
<h1>Hello</h1>
This is our demo.
```

Edit file main.rs.

Add route:

Add handler:

```
/// axum handler that responds with typical HTML coming from a file.
/// This uses the Rust macro `std::include_str` to include a UTF-8 file
/// path, relative to `main.rs`, as a `&'static str` at compile time.
async fn hello_html() -> axum::response::Html<&'static str> {
   include_str!("hello.html").into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000/hello.html

You should see the headline "Hello" and text "This is our demo.".

Respond with HTTP status code OK

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /demo-status" which returns a HTTP status
/// code, such as OK (200), and a custom user-visible string message.
pub async fn demo_status() -> (axum::http::StatusCode, String) {
        (axum::http::StatusCode::OK, "Everything is OK".to_string())
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000/demo-status

You should see "Everything is OK".

Respond with the request URI

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /demo-uri" which shows the request's own URI.
/// This shows how to write a handler that receives the URI.
pub async fn demo_uri(uri: axum::http::Uri) -> String {
   format!("The URI is: {:?}", uri)
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Browse http://localhost:3000/demo-uri

You should see "The URI is: /demo-uri!".

Respond with a custom header and image

Edit file Cargo.toml.

Add dependencies:

```
# Encode and decode base64 as bytes or utf8.
base64 = "~0.21.5"

# Types for HTTP requests and responses.
http = "~1.0.0"
```

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

Try the demo...

Shell:

cargo run

Browse http://localhost:3000/demo.png

You browser should download a one-pixel transparent PNG image.

Respond to multiple HTTP verbs

axum routes can use HTTP verbs, including GET, PUT, PATCH, POST, DELETE.

Edit file main.rs.

Add axum routes for each HTTP verb:

Add axum handlers:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /foo" which returns a string message.
/// This shows our naming convention for HTTP GET handlers.
pub async fn get_foo() -> String {
   "GET foo".to_string()
}
/// axum handler for "PUT /foo" which returns a string message.
/// This shows our naming convention for HTTP PUT handlers.
pub async fn put_foo() -> String {
   "PUT foo".to_string()
}
/// axum handler for "PATCH /foo" which returns a string message.
/// This shows our naming convention for HTTP PATCH handlers.
pub async fn patch_foo() -> String {
   "PATCH foo".to_string()
}
/// axum handler for "POST /foo" which returns a string message.
/// This shows our naming convention for HTTP POST handlers.
pub async fn post_foo() -> String {
```

```
"POST foo".to_string()
}

/// axum handler for "DELETE /foo" which returns a string message.
/// This shows our naming convention for HTTP DELETE handlers.
pub async fn delete_foo() -> String {
    "DELETE foo".to_string()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

To make a request using an explicit request of GET or POST or DELETE, one way is to use a command line program such as curl like this:

Shell:

```
curl --request GET 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Output:

```
GET foo
```

Shell:

```
curl --request PUT 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Output:

```
PUT foo
```

Shell:

```
curl --request PATCH 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Output:

PATCH foo

Shell:

```
curl --request POST 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Output:

```
POST foo
```

Shell:

```
curl --request DELETE 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Output:

```
DELETE foo
```

The command curl uses GET by default, i.e. these are equivalent:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
curl --request GET 'http://localhost:3000/foo'
```

Extractors

An axum "extractor" is how you pick apart the incoming request in order to get any parts that your handler needs.

This section shows how to:

- Extract path parameters
- Extract query parameters
- Extract a JSON payload
- Respond with a JSON payload

Caution: extractors syntax change

Before you read the next section, please be aware the extractor syntax has changed between axum 0.7 and 0.8, approximately as of 2025-01-01.

- Axum 0.7 extractor syntax uses a colon like this: :foo.
- Axum 0.8 extractor syntax uses curly braces such as {foo}.

If you try to use the older syntax, you will get an error message such as: "Path segments must not start with:. For capture groups, use {capture}. If you meant to literally match a segment starting with a colon, call without_v07_checks on the router."

Extractor path parameters

Add a route using path parameter syntax, such as "{id}", in order to tell axum to extract a path parameter and deserialize it into a variable named id.

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /items/{id}" which uses `axum::extract::Path`.
/// This extracts a path parameter then deserializes it as needed.
pub async fn get_items_id(
    axum::extract::Path(id):
    axum::extract::Path<String>
) -> String {
    format!("Get items with path id: {:?}", id)
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/items/1'
```

Ouput:

```
Get items with id: 1
```

Extract query parameters

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to use HashMap to deserialize query parameters into a key-value map:

```
use std::collections::HashMap;
```

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /items" which uses `axum::extract::Query`.
/// This extracts query parameters and creates a key-value pair map.
pub async fn get_items(
    axum::extract::Query(params):
        axum::extract::Query<HashMap<String, String>>
) -> String {
    format!("Get items with query params: {:?}", params)
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/items?a=b'
```

Output:

Get items with query params: {"a": "b"}

Respond with a JSON payload

The axum extractor for JSON can help with a response, by formatting JSON data then setting the response application content type.

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to use Serde JSON:

```
/// Use Serde JSON to serialize/deserialize JSON, such as in a request.
/// axum creates JSON or extracts it by using `axum::extract::Json`.
/// For this demo, see functions `get_demo_json` and `post_demo_json`.
use serde_json::{json, Value};
```

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /demo.json" which uses `axum::extract::Json`.
/// This buffers the request body then deserializes it bu using serde.
/// The `Json` type supports types that implement `serde::Deserialize`.
pub async fn get_demo_json() -> axum::extract::Json<Value> {
    json!({"a":"b"}).into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

To request JSON with curl, set a custom HTTP header like this:

```
curl \
--header "Accept: application/json" \
```

```
--request GET 'http://localhost:3000/demo.json'
```

```
{"a":"b"}
```

Extract a JSON payload

The axum extractor for JSON deserializes a request body into any type that implements serde::Deserialize. If the extractor is unable to parse the request body, or if the request is missing the header Content-Type: application/json, then the extractor returns HTTP BAD_REQUEST (404).

Edit file main.rs.

Modify the route /demo.json to append the function put:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "PUT /demo.json" which uses `axum::extract::Json`.
/// This buffers the request body then deserializes it using serde.
/// The `Json` type supports types that implement `serde::Deserialize`.
pub async fn put_demo_json(
    axum::extract::Json(data): axum::extract::Json<serde_json::Value>
) -> String{
    format!("Put demo JSON data: {:?}", data)
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Send the JSON:

```
curl \
--request PUT 'http://localhost:3000/demo.json' \
```

```
--header "Content-Type: application/json" \
--data '{"a":"b"}'
```

```
Put demo JSON data: Object({"a": String("b")})
```

RESTful routes and resources

This section demonstrates how to:

- Create a book struct
- Create the data store
- Use the data store
- Get all books
- Get one book
- Put one book
- Delete one book
- Patch one book
- Get one book as a web form
- Patch one book as a web form

Create a book struct

Suppose we want our app to have features related to books.

Create a new file book.rs.

Add code to use deserialization:

```
/// Use Deserialize to convert e.g. from request JSON into Book struct.
use serde::Deserialize;
```

Add code to create a book struct that derives the traits we want:

```
/// Demo book structure with some example fields for id, title, author.
// A production app could prefer an id to be type u32, UUID, etc.
#[derive(Debug, Deserialize, Clone, Eq, Hash, PartialEq)]
pub struct Book {
   pub id: String,
   pub title: String,
   pub author: String,
}
```

Add code to implement Display:

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to include the book module and use the Book struct:

```
/// See file book.rs, which defines the `Book` struct.
```

mod book;

use crate::book::Book;

Create the data store

For a production app, we could implement the data by using a database.

For this demo, we will implement the data by using a global variable DATA.

Edit file Cargo.toml.

Add the dependency once_cell which is for our global variables:

```
# Single assignment cells and lazy values.
once_cell = "1.10.0"
```

Create file data.rs.

Add this code:

```
/// Use once_cell for creating a global variable e.g. our DATA data.
use once_cell::sync::Lazy;
/// Use Mutex for thread-safe access to a variable e.g. our DATA data.
use std::sync::Mutex;
/// Create a data store as a global variable with `Lazy` and `Mutex`.
/// This demo implementation uses a `HashMap` for ease and speed.
/// The map key is a primary key for lookup; the map value is a Book.
static DATA: Lazy<Mutex<HashMap<u32, Book>>> = Lazy::new(|| Mutex::new(
    HashMap::from([
        (1, Book {
            id: 1,
            title: "Antigone".into(),
            author: "Sophocles".into()
        }),
        (2, Book {
            id: 2, title:
            "Beloved".into(),
            author: "Toni Morrison".into()
        }),
        (3, Book {
            id: 3, title:
            "Candide".into(),
```

Use the data store

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to include the data module and use the DATA global variable:

```
/// See file data.rs, which defines the DATA global variable.
mod data;
use crate::data::DATA;

/// Use Thread for spawning a thread e.g. to acquire our DATA mutex lock.
use std::thread;

/// To access data, create a thread, spawn it, then get the lock.
/// When you're done, then join the thread with its parent thread.
async fn print_data() {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        println!("data: {:?}" ,data);
    }).join().unwrap()
}
```

If you want to see all the data now, then add function to main:

```
async fn main() {
   print_data().await;...
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

```
data: {
    1: Book { id: 1, title: "Antigone", author: "Sophocles" },
    2: Book { id: 2, title: "Beloved", author: "Toni Morrison" },
    3: Book { id: 3, title: "Candide", author: "Voltaire" }
}
```

Get all books

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books'
```

Antigone by Sophocles
Beloved by Toni Morrison
Candide by Voltaire

Get one book

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /books/{id}" which responds with one resource H
/// This demo app uses our DATA variable, and iterates on it to find the r
pub async fn get_books_id(
    axum::extract::Path(id): axum::extract::Path<u32>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        match data.get(&id) {
            Some(book) => format!("{}\n", &book),
            None => format!("Book id {} not found", id),
        }
    }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

```
Antigone by Sophocles
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/0'
```

Output:

Book id 0 not found

Put one book

Edit file main.rs.

Modify the route /books/{id} to append the function put:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "PUT /books/{id}" which creates a new book resource.
/// This demo shows how axum can extract JSON data into a Book struct.
pub async fn put_books_id(
    axum::extract::Json(book): axum::extract::Json<Book>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let mut data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        data.insert(book.id, book.clone());
        format!("Put book: {}", &book)
        }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/4'
```

```
Book id 4 not found
```

Shell:

```
curl \
--request PUT 'http://localhost:3000/books/4' \
--header "Content-Type: application/json" \
--data '{"id":4,"title":"Decameron","author":"Giovanni Boccaccio"}'
```

Output:

```
Put book: Decameron by Giovanni Boccaccio
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/4'
```

```
Antigone by Sophocles
Beloved by Toni Morrison
Candide by Voltaire
Decameron by Giovanni Boccaccio
```

Delete one book

Edit file main.rs.

Modify the route /books/{id} to append the function delete:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "DELETE /books/{id}" which destroys a resource.
/// This demo extracts an id, then mutates the book in the DATA store.
pub async fn delete_books_id(
    axum::extract::Path(id): axum::extract::Path<u32>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let mut data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        if data.contains_key(&id) {
            data.remove(&id);
            format!("Delete book id: {}", &id)
        } else {
            format!("Book id not found: {}", &id)
        }
    }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl --request DELETE 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

Output:

```
Delete book id: 1
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books'
```

```
Beloved by Toni MorrisonCandide by Voltaire
```

Patch one book

Create file book_patch.rs.

Add code for a BookPatch struct that has optional attributes:

```
// Use Deserialize to convert e.g. from request JSON into Book struct.
use serde::Deserialize;

// Demo book patch structure with some example fields for id, title, author
// A production app could prefer an id to be type u32, UUID, etc.
#[derive(Debug, Deserialize, Clone, Eq, Hash, PartialEq)]
pub struct BookPatch {
   pub id: u32,
   pub title: Option<String>,
   pub author: Option<String>,
}
```

Add code to implement Display:

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to use the new BookPatch:

```
/// See file book_patch.rs, which defines the `BookPatch` struct.
mod book_patch;
use crate::book_patch::BookPatch;
```

Modify the route /books/{id} to append the function patch:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "PATCH /books/{id}" which updates attributes.
/// This demo shows how to mutate the book attributes in the DATA store.
pub async fn patch_books_id(
    axum::extract::Json(book_patch): axum::extract::Json<BookPatch>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let id = book_patch.id;
        let mut data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        if data.contains_key(&id) {
            if let Some(title) = book_patch.title {
                data.get_mut(&id).unwrap().title = title.clone();
            if let Some(author) = book_patch.author {
                data.get_mut(&id).unwrap().title = author.clone();
            format!("Patch book id: {}", &id)
        } else {
            format!("Book id not found: {}", &id)
    }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

Output:

```
Antigone by Sophocles
```

Shell:

```
curl \
--request PATCH 'http://localhost:3000/books/1' \
--header "Content-Type: application/json" \
--data '{"id":1,"title":"Elektra"}'
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

```
Elektra by Sophocles
```

Get one book as a web form

Edit file main.rs.

Add a route:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "GET /books/{id}/form" which responds with a form.
/// This demo shows how to write a typical HTML form with input fields.
pub async fn get_books_id_form(
    axum::extract::Path(id): axum::extract::Path<u32>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        match data.get(&id) {
            Some(book) => format!(
                concat!(
                    "<form method=\"patch\" action=\"/books/{}/form\">\n"
                    "<input type=\"hidden\" name=\"id\" value=\"{}\">\n",
                    "<input name=\"title\" value=\"{}\">\n",
                    "<input name=\"author\" value=\"{}\">\n",
                    "<input type=\"submit\" value=\"Save\">\n",
                    "</form>\n"
                ),
                &book.id,
                &book.id,
                &book.title,
               &book.author
            ),
            None => format!("Book id {} not found", id),
    }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1/form'
```

```
<form method="post" action="/books/1/form">
<input name="title" value="Antigone">
<input name="author" value="Sophocles">
<input type="submit" value="Save">
</form>
```

Patch one book as a web form

Edit file main.rs.

Modify the route /books/{id}/form to append the function post:

Add a handler:

```
/// axum handler for "PATCH /books/{id}/form" which submits an HTML form.
/// This demo shows how to do a form submission then patch a resource.
pub async fn patch_books_id_form(
    form: axum::extract::Form<Book>
) -> axum::response::Html<String> {
    let new_book: Book = form.0;
    thread::spawn(move || {
        let mut data = DATA.lock().unwrap();
        if data.contains_key(&new_book.id) {
            if !new_book.title.is_empty() {
                data.get_mut(&new_book.id).unwrap().title = new_book.title
            if !new_book.author.is_empty() {
                data.get_mut(&new_book.id).unwrap().author = new_book.autl
            format!("Patch book: {}", &new_book)
        } else {
            format!("Book id not found: {}", &new_book.id)
    }).join().unwrap().into()
}
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

Output:

```
Antigone by Sophocles
```

Shell:

```
curl \
   --request PATCH 'http://localhost:3000/books/1/edit' \
   --header "Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded" \
   --data 'id=1&title=Elektra'
```

Shell:

```
curl 'http://localhost:3000/books/1'
```

```
Elektra by Sophocles
```

Extras

This section shows how to:

- Add a tracing subscriber
- Use a host, port, and socket address

Add a tracing subscriber

Edit file Cargo.toml.

Add dependencies:

```
# Application-level tracing for Rust.
tracing = "0.1.40"

# Utilities for implementing and composing `tracing` subscribers.
tracing-subscriber = { version = "0.3.18", features = ["env-filter"] }
```

Edit file main.rs.

Add code to use tracing:

```
/// Use tracing crates for application-level tracing output.
use tracing_subscriber::{
    layer::SubscriberExt,
    util::SubscriberInitExt,
};
```

Add a tracing subscriber to the start of the main function:

```
#[tokio::main]
pub async fn main() {

    // Start tracing
    tracing_subscriber::registry()
        .with(tracing_subscriber::fmt::layer())
        .init();
    tracing::event!(tracing::Level::INFO, "main");
```

Try the demo...

Shell:

```
cargo run
```

You should see console output that shows tracing initialization such as:

2024-08-31T20:06:34.894986Z INFO demo_rust_axum: tracing

Use a host, port, and socket address

To bind the server, our demo code uses a socket address string.

Edit file main.rs.

The demo code is:

```
let listener = tokio::net::TcpListener::bind("0.0.0.0:3000").await.unwrap
axum::serve(listener, app).await.unwrap();
```

You can create a socket address step by step, if you prefer.

Modify the demo code to do:

```
use std::net::SocketAddr;
pub async fn main() {...

let host = [127, 0, 0, 1];
let port = 3000;
let addr = SocketAddr::from((host, port));
let listener = tokio::net::TcpListener::bind(addr).await.unwrap();
axum::serve(listener, app).await.unwrap();
```

Conclusion

What you learned

You learned how to:

- Create a project using Rust and the axum web framework.
- Create axum router routes and their handler functions.
- Create responses with HTTP status code OK and HTML text.
- Create a binary image and respond with a custom header.
- Create functionality for HTTP GET, PUT, POST, DELETE.
- Use axum extractors for query parameters and path parameters.
- Create a data store and access it using RESTful routes.

What's next

To learn more about Rust, axum, tower, hyper, tokio, and Serde:

- The Rust website
- The Rust book are excellent and thorough.
- The book Asynchronous Programming in Rust
- The axum repo and axux crate provide dozens of runnable examples.
- The tower website and tower crate
- The hyper website and hyper crate.
- The tokio website and tokio crate.
- The Serde crate

Feedback

We welcome constructive feedback via GitHub issues:

- Any ideas for making this demo better?
- Any requests for new demo sections or example topics?
- Any bugs or issues in the demo code or documentation?

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axum examples

The axum source code repository includes many project examples, and these examples are fully runnable.

- async-graphql
- chat
- cors
- customize-extractor-error
- customize-path-rejection
- error-handling-and-dependency-injection
- form
- global-404-handler
- graceful-shutdown
- hello-world
- http-proxy
- jwt
- key-value-store
- low-level-rustls
- multipart-form
- oauth
- print-request-response
- prometheus-metrics
- query-params-with-empty-strings
- readme
- reverse-proxy
- routes-and-handlers-close-together
- sessions
- sqlx-postgres
- sse
- static-file-server
- templates
- testing
- tls-rustls
- todos

- tokio-postgres
- tracing-aka-logging
- unix-domain-socket
- validator
- versioning
- websockets

Ideas for next steps

- axum_session_auth
- loco.rs
- axum-layout
- aide: Open API documentation generator library.
- schemars: Generate JSON Schema documents from Rust code.
- plotars: Visualize data using Plotly and Polars.
- Utopia-axum: Bindings for Axum and utoipa (Simple, Fast, Code first and Compile time generated OpenAPI documentation for Rust).