



Lecture 4

Enums and Matching in Rust

Goals For Today



- Introduction to Enums
- **Result** (Ok/Err) & **Option** (Some/None)
- Control Flow with Enums and **match**
- Custom Enums in Rust
- Introduce HW1 and MP0

Course Announcements



- HW1 due 2/8 at 11:59 pm CT
 - HW2 releasing today due 2/10 at 11:59 pm CT
 - MP0 releasing today due 2/11 at 11:59 pm CT
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- We are more than happy to grant extensions when requested, but we do require that you've made some progress on the HW or MP (unless you have some valid excuse)
 - Homeworks will have a "Feedback Survey" to ask or say anything!

Homework 1 Correction

The list of items is: computer, pizza, bread, Welby, panda, pancake, Eustis, giraffe, cat, Neil, Spiderman,
Interstellar, banana, television, microwave, spaghetti, elephant, Ferris



What are Enums?



- Custom types with a restricted set of values
 - Colors of the rainbow
 - Undergraduate student level
 - Day of the week
- They make you (the programmer) and your life easier

The Option Enum



- From the docs: Type **Option** represents an optional value: every **Option** is either **Some** and contains a value, or **None**, and does not.
- Return values for functions that are not defined over their entire input range
- Similar usage as returning null/nullptr in Java/C++
 - No more NullPointerExceptions (!!)
 - Kind of...

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/option/>
- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/vec/struct.Vec.html#method.get>



Option in Action!

The Result Enum



- From the docs: Type **Result<T, E>** is used for returning & propagating errors. It is an enum with the variants, **Ok(T)**, representing success & containing a value, and **Err(E)**, representing error & containing an error value.
- Functions return **Result** whenever errors are expected and recoverable. In the **std** crate, **Result** is most prominently used for I/O.
- If there is no meaningful value to be returned as **T** or **E**, we can use the unit type **()** in place of the success or error value.

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/result/>
- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/fs/struct.File.html#method.open>



Result in Action!

Useful Methods on Option & Result



- **is_some()** / **is_ok()** : Check if the variable of type (Option / Result) contains a value corresponding to some successful operation
- **is_none()** / **is_err()** : Check if the operation returning the variable of type (Option / Result) failed
- **unwrap()** : We are 100% sure that the operation succeeded, so give me the value corresponding to success. **Panic** if the operation failed!

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/option/>

More Useful Methods on Option & Result



- **expect(msg: &str)** : We are 100% sure that the operation succeeded, so give me the value corresponding to success. **Panic** if the operation failed and print out a useful error message (**msg**)!
- **unwrap_or(default: T)** : Give me the value corresponding to success, otherwise, return some default value (**default**).

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/option/>



More Option Examples!

Matching Option and Result



- You can compare some value to a series of patterns, then execute some code based on which pattern **matches**
- The patterns you **match** must be exhaustive
- Patterns for **Option<T>**:
 - **Some(T)**
 - **None**
- Patterns for **Result<T, E>**:
 - **Ok(T)**
 - **Err(E)**

```
match my_option {  
    Some(val) => println!("{}", val),  
    None => println!("Nothing here!")  
};
```

```
match my_result {  
    Ok(val) => println!("succeeded: {}!", val),  
    Err(e) => println!("something went wrong: {}!", e)  
};
```

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/option/>
- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/result/>



Matching Option & Result

Custom Enums



- The **enum** keyword!

```
enum DayOfWeek {  
    Monday,  
    Tuesday,  
    Wednesday,  
    Thursday,  
    Friday,  
    Saturday,  
    Sunday  
}
```



```
fn main() {  
    let today = DayOfWeek::Thursday;  
}
```

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch06-01-defining-an-enum.html>

Tuple Enums



- Rust allows you to bundle additional information to your **enum** states
- We can create named tuples using enum variants

```
enum Point {  
    TwoD(f64, f64),  
    ThreeD(f64, f64, f64),  
    FourD(f64, f64, f64, f64)  
}
```



```
fn main() {  
    let pt_a = Point::TwoD(5.0, 4.0);  
    let pt_b = Point::ThreeD(1.0, 2.0, 8.0);  
    let pt_c = Point::FourD(3.0, 9.0, -1.0, 6.0);  
}
```

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch06-01-defining-an-enum.html>

Struct Enums



- We can assign more meaning to our **enum** states using **struct** declarations
- **struct** are similar to tuples:
 - Like tuples, the pieces of a **struct** can be different types
 - Unlike tuples, you name each piece of data so it's clear what values mean
 - As a result, **structs** are more flexible than tuples
- (more on **structs** later in the course)

```
enum MouseEvent {  
    Drag { from: (i64, i64), to: (i64, i64) },  
    Click { x: i64, y: i64 }  
}
```



```
fn main() {  
    let drag = WebEvent::Drag{ to: (128, 196), from: (0, 0) };  
    let click = WebEvent::Click{ x: 128, y: 196 };  
}
```

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch06-01-defining-an-enum.html>
- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch05-01-defining-structs.html>

Mixing and Matching Variant Types



```
enum WebEvent {  
    PageLoad,  
    PageUnload,  
    KeyPress(char),  
    Paste(String),  
    Click { x: i64, y: i64 },  
}
```



```
fn main() {  
    let load = WebEvent::PageLoad;  
    let unload = WebEvent::PageUnload;  
    let press = WebEvent::KeyPress('c');  
    let paste = WebEvent::Paste("hello".into());  
    let click = WebEvent::Click{ x: 128, y: 196 };  
}
```

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch06-01-defining-an-enum.html>



Order Status Example

Testing Your Code



- Create a module for your tests with the **mod** keyword
 - Mark the module with the **#[cfg(test)]** procedural macro
- Create functions within the test module to test out your code
 - Mark each test function with the **#[test]** procedural macro
- Use assertion function-like macros to check for expected behavior
 - **assert!(statement: bool)** - check if some condition is true
 - **assert_eq!(value1: T, value2: T)** - check if two values are equal
 - **assert_neq!(value1: T, value2: T)** - check if two values are NOT equal
- Assertions will **panic** when they fail. Panics in tests indicate that the test failed.

Reference:

- <https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/ch11-01-writing-tests.html>



Testing Our Example



HW1 and MP0 Walkthrough