

A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide. It consists of a blue parallelogram and a light green parallelogram, both tilted at an angle. The blue shape is in the foreground, and the green shape is partially behind it. They are set against a dark blue background with faint, lighter blue diagonal stripes.

RUSTikales Rust for advanced coders



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 - Reference **mutably borrowed twice+** → Not allowed, **illegal**
 - Reference **mutably borrowed once** → **No other borrows** allowed
 - Reference **immutably borrowed** → **Only other immutable** borrows allowed
 - Reference **may not outlive borrowed data**



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 - **Value** → Dropped **when owner dropped**
 - Reference → Well...



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 - **Between assigning and using** the reference
 - Can have gaps
 - **Non-Lexical Lifetime** → Not limited to scopes



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- Compiler is very good at figuring out lifetimes
 - **Lifetime Elision**
 - Sometimes, we have to specify them ourselves → **Named lifetime parameters**

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&x outlives x, this is not allowed!

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error[E0597]: `x` does not live long enough

--> src/main.rs:6:13

5 | let x = 12;

- binding `x` declared here

6 | r = &x;

^^ borrowed value does not live long enough

7 | }

- `x` dropped here while still borrowed

8 | println!("{}", *r);

-- borrow later used here

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Lifetime of `&b`

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Modifying `b` is allowed, `r` doesn't need it

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    let mut b: i32 = 20;  
    let mut r: &i32 = &b;  
  
    We never modify b if random_bool() is false :^)  
  
    println!("{}", *r);  
}
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→ `FALSE`

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```
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Named lifetime parameter

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Lifetime parameters and generic parameters can be used together, but lifetimes have to come first!

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In this region, we also borrowed v1 and v2



2. Slices



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 - Tokenizer: Turns some source text into tokens for further processing, e.g. parsing



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- Given a source text (a String), we want to get a sequence of words
 - Word: Any sequence of alphanumeric (**a**, **1**, **U**) characters
 - We want to ignore all other characters, and skip them



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- Example: „Hello, how are you?“ → [„Hello“, „how“, „are“, „you“]

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        while let Some(ch: &char) = chars.peek() {
            if !ch.is_alphanumeric() { break; }
            buffer.push(ch: chars.next().unwrap());
        }
        if buffer.is_empty() {
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Return a pair of (word, rest of input)

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    else {  
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Rust Strings are UTF-8 encoded, getting the characters is non-trivial :^)
But thankfully iterators are lazy (only compute when necessary)

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While there's a letter or
number in front, fill the buffer

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empty buffer → Special character at the front, skip it and try again

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        }  
        Some((buffer, chars.collect())) return the Strings  
    }  
}
```



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```
0004: Length 10000: 297ms  
0005: Length 12500: 464ms  
0006: Length 15000: 667ms  
0007: Length 17500: 905ms
```

A **second** to tokenize a String of 20.000 characters!!



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This is fine...



2. Slices

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But we can do better :^)

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Heap allocations

Collecting iterators (making copies of the input)

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 - Yes, of course we can, and we should



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 - A pointer into the collection
 - A length → How big is the slice



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- Slices are special references which are made out of two fields
- The type signature for Slices is **[T]**
 - Slices do **NOT** implement the **Sized trait**
→ can't use **[T]** itself, you always need a reference



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- You can get a Slice of a collection `by using ranges as indices`



2. Slices

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let slice: &[i32] = &arr[0..2];  
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Slice of an i32-array

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Subarray: [10, 20]
```




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```
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let slice: &[u8] = &vec[1..];  
println!("Subvector: {:?}", slice);
```



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You can also slice into Vectors

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Subvector: [2, 3]
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2. Slices

- Rustdocs: „Slices let you reference contiguous sequences in collections, instead of the whole collection“
- The most commonly seen form of Slices is the **String Slice &str**
- Slices are special references which are made out of two fields
- The type signature for Slices is **[T]**
- You can get a Slice of a collection **by using ranges as indices**
- As Slices are references, **normal Ownership and Borrow Checker rules apply**
 - While you borrow a Slice of a collection, you can't modify it
 - Slices don't own any elements
 - No Moves or Copies happen

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fn mutable_slice() {  
    let mut arr: [i32; 4] = [1, 2, 3, 4];  
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let slice_mut = &mut arr[1..2];
--- mutable borrow occurs here
let slice = &arr[3..4];
^^^ immutable borrow occurs here
slice_mut[0] = 1;
----- mutable borrow later used here

lifetime of immutable borrow
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```
let arr: [i32; 5] = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50];
let vec: Vec<i32> = vec![5, 2, 3];
takes_slice(&arr);
takes_slice(&arr[2..4]);
takes_slice(&[1, 2, 3]);
takes_slice(&vec);
takes_slice(&vec[..]);
}

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Slices allow us to efficiently and quickly get sub-collections of any size, and pass them to different functions

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Slice has size 5
Slice content: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
Slice has size 2
Slice content: [30, 40]
Slice has size 3
Slice content: [1, 2, 3]
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Hecco Woccd!

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            rest = &rest[1..];  
        }  
        if rest.len() == input.len() {  
            return semi_efficient(input: &input[1..])  
        }  
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Slices into the original string

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Stripping off all
alphanumeric characters

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            rest = &rest[1..]; Here we go to the next character  
        }  
        if rest.len() == input.len() {  
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rest == input iff no alphanumeric character was found at the start → special character

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Actual word is `input - rest`

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0x5	!

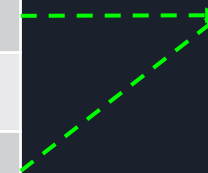


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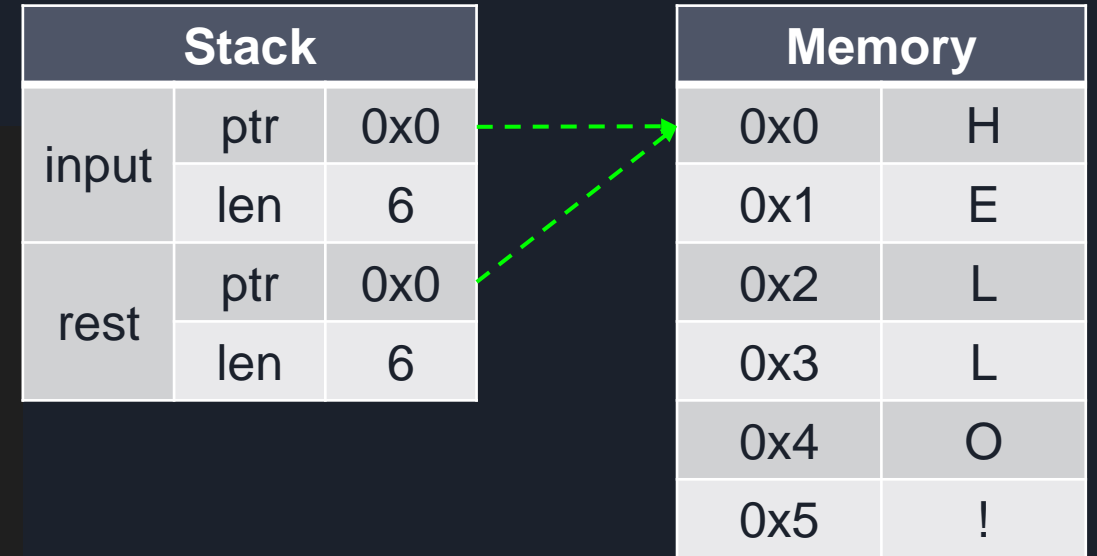
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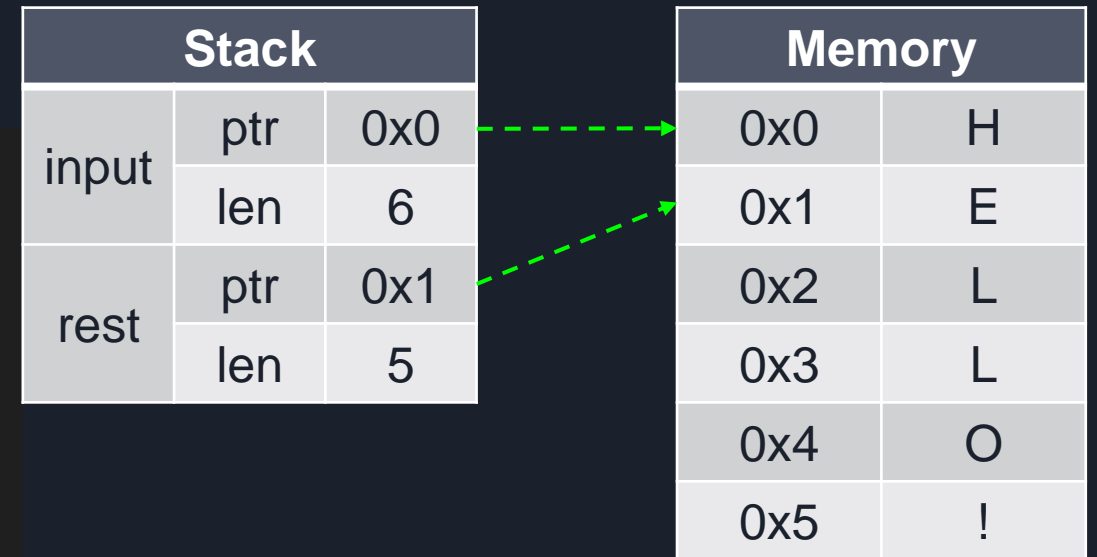
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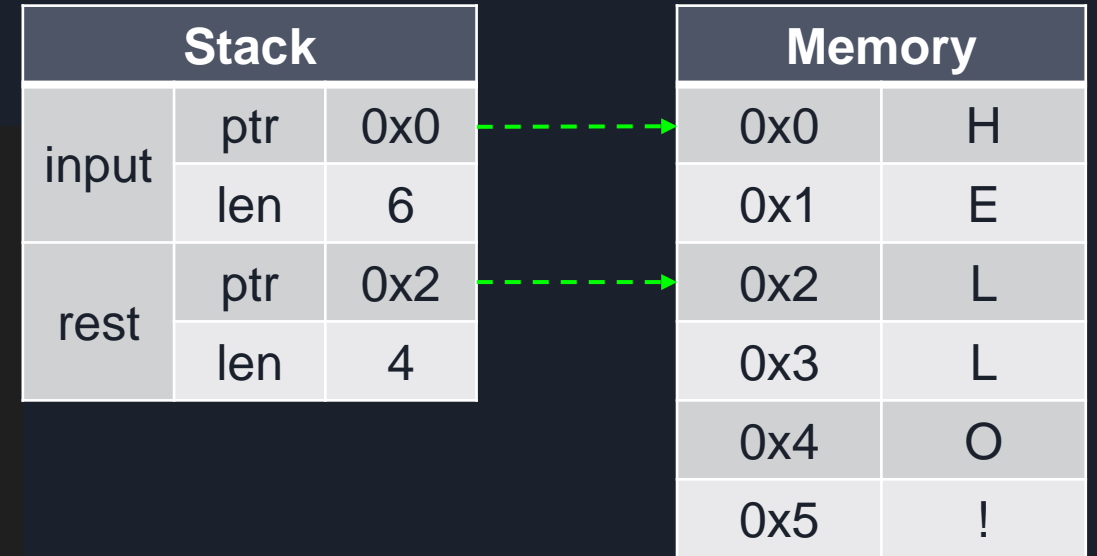
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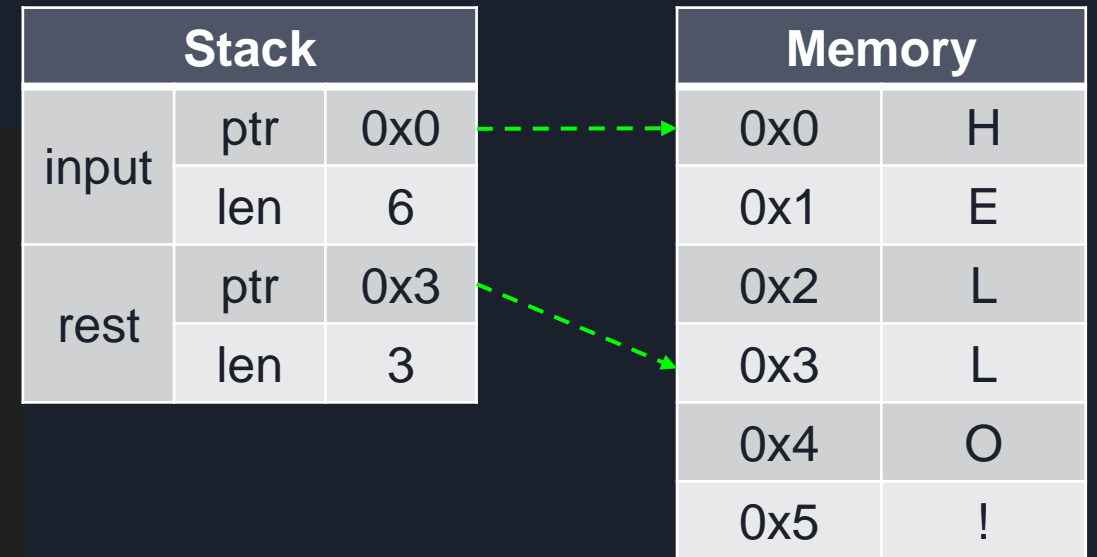
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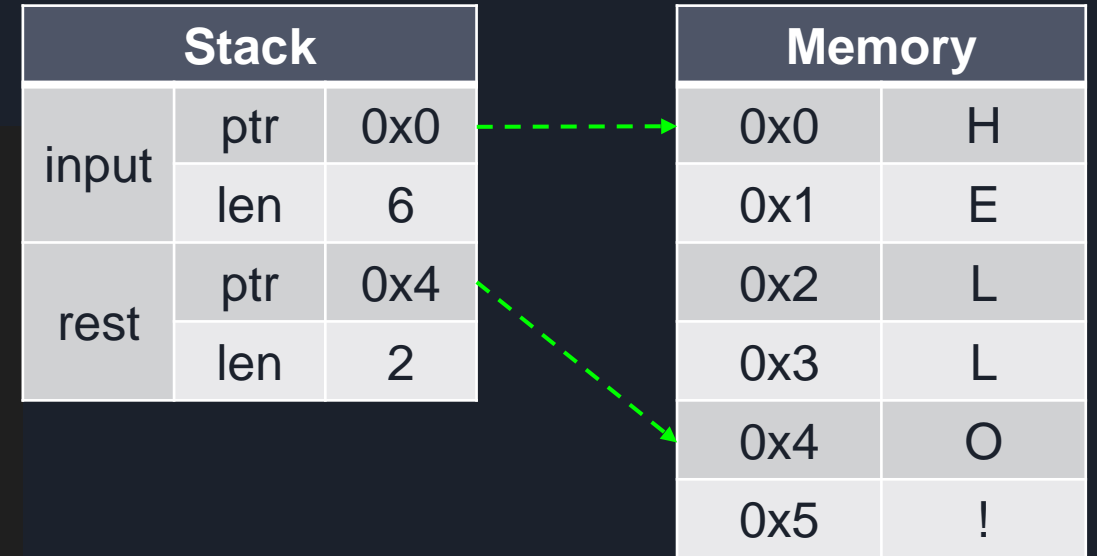
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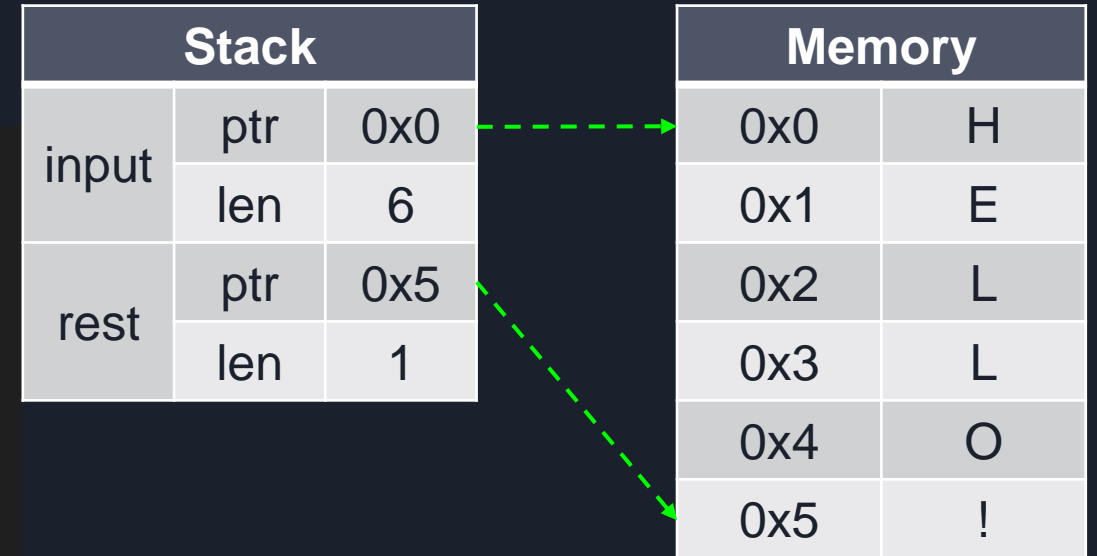
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At this point, we perform the strip
→ word = HELLO

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Stack		
input	ptr	0x5
	len	1

Memory	
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0x5	!

The caller (hopefully) sets **input** to **rest**, and the cycle begins again



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0010:	Length	25000:	1848ms	vs	2ms	(741x slower)
0011:	Length	27500:	2248ms	vs	2ms	(780x slower)
0012:	Length	30000:	2668ms	vs	3ms	(804x slower)
0013:	Length	32500:	3127ms	vs	3ms	(826x slower)
0014:	Length	35000:	3621ms	vs	4ms	(849x slower)
0015:	Length	37500:	4167ms	vs	4ms	(854x slower)
0016:	Length	40000:	4744ms	vs	5ms	(867x slower)
0017:	Length	42500:	5338ms	vs	6ms	(874x slower)
0018:	Length	45000:	5996ms	vs	6ms	(890x slower)
0019:	Length	47500:	6672ms	vs	7ms	(899x slower)
0020:	Length	50000:	7401ms	vs	8ms	(907x slower)
0021:	Length	52500:	8162ms	vs	8ms	(922x slower)

Nice improvement!

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        let l: usize = rest.len();  
        let start: usize = input.len() - l;  
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```

Pattern Matching is slow, we can do better!



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0110:	Length	275000:	(SEMI)	196ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0111:	Length	277500:	(SEMI)	201ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0112:	Length	280000:	(SEMI)	203ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0113:	Length	282500:	(SEMI)	207ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0114:	Length	285000:	(SEMI)	210ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0115:	Length	287500:	(SEMI)	213ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0116:	Length	290000:	(SEMI)	217ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0117:	Length	292500:	(SEMI)	221ms	(15x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0118:	Length	295000:	(SEMI)	223ms	(16x slower)	vs	(FAST)	13ms
0119:	Length	297500:	(SEMI)	228ms	(16x slower)	vs	(FAST)	14ms
0120:	Length	300000:	(SEMI)	231ms	(16x slower)	vs	(FAST)	14ms
0121:	Length	302500:	(SEMI)	235ms	(16x slower)	vs	(FAST)	14ms

In **debug** mode



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0166:	Length	415000:	(SEMI)	417ms	(798x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0167:	Length	417500:	(SEMI)	422ms	(788x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0168:	Length	420000:	(SEMI)	429ms	(796x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0169:	Length	422500:	(SEMI)	432ms	(805x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0170:	Length	425000:	(SEMI)	438ms	(807x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0171:	Length	427500:	(SEMI)	444ms	(818x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0172:	Length	430000:	(SEMI)	449ms	(837x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0173:	Length	432500:	(SEMI)	455ms	(826x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0174:	Length	435000:	(SEMI)	462ms	(813x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0175:	Length	437500:	(SEMI)	467ms	(839x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0176:	Length	440000:	(SEMI)	469ms	(833x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms
0177:	Length	442500:	(SEMI)	473ms	(844x slower)	vs	(FAST)	0ms

In **release** mode

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Length 600.000:

First 40: YD]@4I.me50\$S&l<61GAKQlwth@dWxgix@\$jT^2L

SLOW: 106.167.055µs (44.273x slower than FAST)

SEMI: 1.004.747µs (418x slower than FAST)

FAST: 2.398µs (3ns per character)

Length 700.000:

First 40: :t#]o8WX \6TmNs{}A\uQhS^bA"-dcvttbE^%cS[

SLOW: 146.760.112µs (53.718x slower than FAST)

SEMI: 1.331.866µs (487x slower than FAST)

FAST: 2.732µs (3ns per character)

Rust is a very efficient language, if you know how to utilize it properly

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```
Length 1.000.000.000:  
First 40: @X8r12_5Xp+u$` }H1nJDN|9-2-4w0jp\DNp8>[^p  
SLOW: 0μs (0x slower than FAST)  
SEMI: 0μs (0x slower than FAST)  
FAST: 3.880.910μs (3ns per character)
```

Rust is a very efficient language, if you know how to utilize it properly

- 4 seconds to get all words in a string of length 1 billion
- Allocating the String almost took longer than that :^)
- SLOW would've taken years... Literally

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            rest = rest[1..];  
        }  
        if rest.len() == input.len() {  
            return very_efficient(input: &input[1..])  
        }  
        let l: usize = rest.len();  
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Went too close to the sun, and introduced a bug
→ Slices are easy to mishandle

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Subwords:

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s" "7ha" "KV" "3dVEd" "lA" "KM" "VCjhmz" "j3wC" "cn" "FUNM" "TD" "YW3X" "tQt3" "M2" "rIb" "
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" "TTLLDXv" "k" "m" "qB" "bCf6w" "iT4NwE" "nzF" "Ne9bt9" "x6" "Le18ecp" "g2y" "Uy7XN" "h9Zk
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Length 1.000.000.000:

First 40: ?wbBXmHlszQo{Jobs*s7\$'oMM6]U/+—V\$qfYsrg7

SLOW: 0μs (0x slower than FAST)

SEMI: 0μs (0x slower than FAST)

FAST: 4.707.363μs (4ns per character)

Still very fast :^)

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In our original naive String implementation, this would've been allowed
→ The words were separate from the original text



3. Next time

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