

Introduction to rust and its memory safety

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What we're about

We are a community of tech enthusiasts interested in programming. We provide a place to explore the Rust language (<https://www.rust-lang.org/>) together, give and listen to talks on interesting topics around its ecosystem and organize workshops for this exciting new language. In particular:

- We meet every last thursday of the month at lab10

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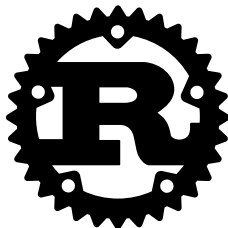
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What is rust?

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- multi-paradigmatic
(imperative, functional)
- systems programming language
(easy interop with C, no GC)
- focus on memory safety and
concurrency
- uses the LLVM infrastructure
- syntax similar to C++
- zero-cost abstractions like C++
- Modern competitors: Nim, Crystal, D, Zig



“Most loved programming language”

(Stack Overflow Developer Survey, 2016–2020)



RustBelt¹: 32 publications, 4 related projects.

August 2020: Ralf Jung's PhD dissertation.

ERC Project "RustBelt"

Announcement

We are very pleased to announce the awarding of a 2015 ERC Consolidator Grant for the project **"RustBelt: Logical Foundations for the Future of Safe Systems Programming"**. The project concerns the development of rigorous formal foundations for the Rust programming language (see [project summary](#) below).

The project is 5 years long and will include funding for several postdoc and PhD student positions supervised by **Derek Dreyer** at the **Max Planck Institute for Software Systems (MPI-SWS)** in Saarbruecken, Germany.



¹<http://plv.mpi-sws.org/rustbelt/>

Tooling



Try it! Rust Playground

Rust Playground on play.rust-lang.org

The screenshot shows the Rust Playground interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'RUN', 'DEBUG', 'STABLE', 'SHARE', 'TOOLS', 'CONFIG', and a help icon. The main area contains the following Rust code:

```
1 trait HashAlgorithm256 {  
2     const OUTPUT_SIZE: u32 = 256;  
3     fn hash(&self, content: &[u8]) -> [u8; 32];  
4 }  
5  
6 struct Xor { init: [u8; 32] }  
7  
8 impl Xor {  
9     fn new() -> Xor {  
10         Xor { init: [0u8; 32] }  
11     }  
12 }
```

Below the code editor, the 'Execution' tab is active, showing the following output:

```
Compiling playground v0.0.1 (/playground)  
Finished dev [unoptimized + debuginfo] target(s) in 0.48s  
Running `target/debug/playground`
```

Also: rust on godbolt.org



Toolchain

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

First release: 1.0 2015-05-16

Current release: 1.46 2020-08-27

Stable rust releases every 6 weeks. Beta and Nightly releases exist. Editions are done every 3 years (2015 1.0 'stability', 2018 1.31 'productivity', 2021 'maturity'?)

```
rustup install {stable,beta,nightly}
```

```
rustup default {stable,beta,nightly}
```



Rust compiler

```
rustup doc --book
```

```
rustup update
```

```
rustup self uninstall
```

Rust compiler:

```
rustc --help
```

```
rustc --explain E0382
```

compilation multi-passes: HIR \rightarrow MIR \rightarrow LLVM-IR



Rust compiler

```
cargo new [--bin | --lib] NAME
```

```
$ cargo new --bin iaik
```

```
Created binary (application) `iaik` package
```

```
$ tree iaik
```

```
iaik
├── Cargo.toml
├── .git
├── ...
├── .gitignore
└── src
    └── main.rs
```

```
10 directories, 18 files
```

```
$ cat iaik/Cargo.toml
```

```
[package]
name = "iaik"
version = "0.1.0"
authors = ["GIT_COMMITTER_NAME <GIT_COMMITTER_EMAIL>"]
edition = "2018"
```

```
# See more keys and their definitions
```

```
# at https://doc.rust-lang.org/cargo/reference/manifest.html
```

```
[dependencies]
```



Hello World

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



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\$ cargo run

Compiling iaik v0.1.0 (/tmp/iaik)

Finished dev [unoptimized + debuginfo] target(s) in 0.29s

Running `target/debug/iaik`

Hello, world!



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}
```

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```
rustc -C opt-level=3 src/main.rs
```



Detect common mistakes

```
rustup component add clippy
cargo clippy
```

warning: redundant field names in struct initialization

--> src/main.rs:114:31

```
114 |   _ => Err(BadEncoding{ encoding: encoding }),
    |                               ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
    |                               help: replace it with: `encoding`
```

= note: `[warn(clippy::redundant_field_names)]` on by default

= help: for further information visit <https://rust-lang.github.io/>...



Normalized code formatting

```
rustup component add rustfmt
cargo fmt
```

```
% grep -C1 "dst.clone()" main.rs
```

```
    let dst_encoding = lookup_encoding(
        dst.clone()
    );
```

```
% cargo fmt --message-format json
```

```
[{"name":"/home/meisterluk/dev/rust/enconv/src/main.rs","mismatches":[{"original_begin_line":120,"original_end_line":120,"expected_begin_line":120,"expected_end_line":120,"original":
    let dst_encoding = lookup_encoding(\n
    dst.clone()\n    );","expected":
    let dst_encoding =
    lookup_encoding(dst.clone());"}]]]
```


Also **Rust Language Server**:

```
rustup component add rls rust-src
rust-analisis
```







More tools

cargo doc



check_urls

 All crates 

Click or press 'S' to search, '?' for more options...  

Function check_urls::help [~][src]

fn help(keyword: &str) -> Result<(), Box<dyn Error>>

cargo test

```
test new_hope_512::tests::test_encode_pk_decode_pk_42 ... ok
test ntt_512::tests::test_ntt_1 ... FAILED
failures:
    ntt_512::tests::test_ntt_1
test result: FAILED. 34 passed; 1 failed; 0 ignored; 0 measured; 0 filtered out
error: test failed, to rerun pass '--lib'
```

cargo bench

Syntax and semantics



String formatting

```
fn main() {  
    println!("{:09b}=000101010 {:>10}=      IAIK", 42, "IAIK");  
    println!("{num:06b}=001010 {who}=rustaceans",  
             who = "rustaceans", num = 10);  
    let variable = 99;  
    println!("{}", Luftballoons", variable);  
    let l: u64 = 0;  
    print!("{}", \n", format!("{:04x}", l));  
}
```



Immutability by default

```
let a: u32 = 0;  
a += 1;
```

error[E0384]: cannot assign twice to immutable variable `a`
--> src/main.rs:3:5

```
2 |   let a: u32 = 0;  
  |   -  
  |   |  
  |   first assignment to `a`  
  |   help: make this binding mutable: `mut a`  
3 |   a += 1;  
  |   ^^^^^^ cannot assign twice to immutable variable
```



Immutability by default

```
let mut a: u32 = 0;  
a += 1;
```

```
dbg!(&a);  
a = dbg!(&a) + 3;
```

```
[example.rs:4] &a = 1
```

```
[example.rs:5] &a = 1
```



Primitive types

u8 u16 u32 u64 u128
i8 i16 i32 i64 i128
isize usize f32 f64
bool char

→ type suffix notation: 42**u8**

→ data type boundary value: in stdlib, e.g. std::**u32**::MAX

42 42_000 0xFF 0o777 0b0010_1010
1. 1e6 -4e-4**f64** std::**f64**::INFINITY
std::**f64**::NAN 1**usize** **true** **false** 'c'

→ type inference to determine data type

→ default integer type is i32



Strings

```
"C escape sequences\n, Unicode scalars\u{0042}"  
r"skip \backslashslash interpretation"  
b"byte array from ASCII chars"  
"multiline  
string"  
"eat all \  
    leading whitespace"  
r#"number of balanced hashes  
is arbitrary  
"#
```

Two types: `&str` and `String`



Integer semantics

- overflow-checks: true in debug mode, false in release mode
- integer types have method `checked_add`, `overflowing_add`, `saturating_add`, and `wrapping_add`
- **u16** **as** **u32** for coercion
- Logical left shift. Logical right shift on unsigned integer types. Arithmetic shift on signed integer types.
- `assert_eq!(-4 % 7, -4);`



Composite types: tuples

```
fn create_tuple() -> (u32, u64) {  
    (4, 2)  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let (a, b) = (4, 2);  
  
    // comparison by equality  
    assert_eq!((4, 2), create_tuple());  
  
    let pair = create_tuple();  
    // access by tuple.{zero-based index}  
    assert_eq!(a, pair.0);  
}
```




Composite types: array

```
let all_zero = [0u8; 32]; // type: [u8; 32]
let mut init = [9, 2, 3]; // type: [{integer}; 3]
let initial  = [1u8, 2, 3]; // type: [u8; 3]
```

```
init[0] = 1;
//init[4] = 1; // compile or runtime error
assert_eq!(initial, init);
assert_eq!(initial, initial.clone());
```

```
let first_5: &[u8] = &all_zero[0..5];
let first_5: &[u8] = &all_zero[ ..5];
let first_6: &[u8] = &all_zero[0..=5];
```

arrays: [u8; 32], [f64; 8],...

slices: [u8], [f64],...



Composite types: Vector

`std::vec::Vec<T>` is part of the standard library.

```
let mut vec: Vec<u8> = Vec::new();
```



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let mut vec = vec![];  
vec[0];  
// thread 'main' panicked at  
// 'index out of bounds: the len is 0 but the index is 0',
```



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vec.extend(vec![3, 4]);  
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vec.sort();  
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let elements: &[u8] = &vec[0..2];
```



Composite types: struct

```
struct HashAlgorithm {  
    state: [u8; 32],  
    security_margin: u32,  
    names: Vec<String>,  
}
```



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struct HashAlgorithm {  
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    security_margin: u32,  
    names: Vec<String>,  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let h = HashAlgorithm{  
        state: [0u8; 32],  
        security_margin: 128,  
        names: vec!["SHA-2".to_string(),  
                    "SHA-256".to_string()],  
    };  
    println!("aliases → {}", h.names.join(", "))  
}
```

Output: aliases → SHA-2, SHA-256



Composite types: struct must be sized

```
struct HashAlgorithm {  
    state: [u8; 32],  
    security_margin: u32,  
    names: Vec<String>,  
    input_bytes: [u8],  
}
```

Structs must be sized:

```
error[E0277]: the size for values of type `[u8]` cannot be known at compilation time  
--> src/main.rs:12:13
```

```
12 |         let h = HashAlgorithm{state: internal_state,  
   |         ^  
13 |         security_margin, names};  
   |         _ doesn't have a size known at compile-time _____^
```



Composite types: struct: alignment

```
use std::mem::{size_of, align_of};
```

```
struct HashAlgo {  
    security_margin: u32, // 4 bytes  
    names: Vec<String>, // 24 bytes  
    state: [u8; 9],      // 9 bytes  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    assert_eq!(size_of::<HashAlgo>(), 40);  
    assert_eq!(align_of::<HashAlgo>(), 8);  
}
```



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```
use std::mem::{size_of, align_of};
```

```
#[repr(C)]
```

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    names: Vec<String>, // 24 bytes  
    state: [u8; 9],      // 9 bytes  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    assert_eq!(size_of::<HashAlgo>(), 48);  
    assert_eq!(align_of::<HashAlgo>(), 8);  
}
```



Composite types: struct

```
#[derive(Debug)]    // HashAlgo { security_margin: 32,  
                      // names: [], state: [0, 0 ... ] }  
  
struct HashAlgo {  
    security_margin: u32, // 4 bytes  
    names: Vec<String>,  // 24 bytes  
    state: [u8; 9],      // 9 bytes  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let h = HashAlgo{ security_margin: 32,  
                      names: vec![], state: [0u8; 9] };  
    println!("{:?}", h);  
}
```

`derive(Debug)` is an attribute macro implementing `Debug` automatically.

`{:?}` asks for *Debug* representation.

`{}` asks for *Display* representation.



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}
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}

fn main() {
    match generate_digest() {
        Result::Okay(d) => {
            for byte in d.iter() {
                print!("{:02X}", byte);
            }
            println!("");
        },
        Result::Error(msg) => eprintln!("error: {}", msg),
    }
}
```



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```
let result = Some(value);  
result.unwrap();    // return Some value or panic  
result.unwrap_or(default_value); // ... or default
```



Question mark operator

The question mark operator exits early in case of `Err` or returns the value otherwise.

```
fn compile(src: &str) -> Result<(), Error> {  
    let tokens = tokenize(&src)?;  
    let ast = parse(&tokens)?;  
    // ...  
    Ok(())  
}
```

Return type of function must be a corresponding `Result`.



Question mark operator

It is can be rewritten with a match expression:

```
fn compile(src: &str) -> Result<(), Error> {  
    let tokens = match tokenize(&src) {  
        Err(E) => return Err(E),  
        Ok(ts) => ts,  
    };  
    let ast = parse(&tokens)?;  
    // ...  
    Ok(())  
}
```




Control flow

```
if cond { ... } else { ... }  
if let Some(val) = result { ... }  
  
loop { ... }  
while cond { ... }  
while let Some(val) = result { ... }  
for i in 0..1024 { ... }  
for elem in &vec { ... }  
  
let pair = (2, -2);  
let kind = match pair {  
    (0, 0) => "invalid",  
    (x @ 1..=5, y) if x + y == 0 => "opposites",  
    (x, _) if x % 2 == 1 => "odd and something",  
    _ => "whatever",  
};  
println!("{:?}", pair, kind);
```

Functions, ownership and borrowing



Function syntax

```
fn named(name1: T1, name2: T2) -> T_RETURN {}  
let unnamed = |name1: T1, name2: T2| -> T_RETURN { };  
let short   = |name1      , name2      |           { };
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Example of anonymous function usage:

```
use std::thread;  
let handler = thread::spawn(|| {  
    println!("Hello World!");  
});  
handler.join().unwrap();
```



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Last expression is return value (return keyword only for early exit):

```

const fn get_42() -> u32 {
    42
} // const fn = C++ constexpr

```



Function semantics

- No variadic arguments → slices
- Multiple return values → tuples
- Functions can be nested
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Memory management notes:

- Stack allocation for local variables
- Call by value or call by reference
- Arguments and return types must have known size at compilation time



Ownership

- Each value in Rust has a variable that's called its *owner*
- There can only be one owner at a time
- Ownership can *move* from one variable to another
- When the owner goes out of scope, the value will be “dropped”



Ownership example

```
#[derive(Debug)]  
struct Stats { score: u32 }  
  
fn sub(mut s: Stats) {  
    s.score += 1;  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let a = Stats { score: 8 };  
    sub(a);  
}
```



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    sub(a);  
    println!("{}", a);  
}
```



Ownership example

error[E0382]: borrow of moved value: `a`

--> src/main.rs:10:20

```
|  
8 |     let a = Stats { score: 8 };  
|         - move occurs because `a` has type `Stats`,  
|           which does not implement the `Copy` trait  
9 |     sub(a);  
|         - value moved here  
10 |    println!("{}", a);  
|                   ^  
|                   value borrowed here after move
```



Ownership example

```
#[derive(Debug)]
struct Stats { score: u32 }

fn sub(mut s: Stats) {
    // owner of Stats instance = `s`
    s.score += 1;
    // `s` goes out of scope → Stats instance is dropped
}

fn main() {
    let a = Stats { score: 8 };
    // owner of Stats instance = `a`
    sub(a); // move Stats instance: `a` → `s`
    println!("{:?}", a); // has been dropped already
}
```



Ownership example

Solutions:

- Use `#[derive(Debug, Copy, Clone)]`. Then sub uses copied instance. Results in `Stats { score: 8 }`
- Return `Stats` instance and assign it again in `main`.
- Use references (*borrowing* ownership)

Benefits of ownership for memory safety:

- we can pin-point when a variable is dropped (across threads!)



References

```
let mut a = Stats { score: 8 };
```

```
let shared_ref = &a;  
println!("{:?}", *shared_ref);
```

```
let mutable_ref = &mut a;  
println!("{:?}", *mutable_ref);
```

Reference a value with `&`.

Dereference a reference with `*`.

auto-dereferencing: e.g. `&u32` given, `u32` required? Dereference automatically. Best practice: Dereference explicitly.



References

Rules:

- one or more *shared* references (&T) to a resource
- exactly one *mutable* reference (&**mut** T)
- either or, not both! (“aliasing xor mutation”)

Benefits of reference limitations for memory safety:

- one writer XOR n readers in concurrent context
- prevents data races



Ownership example with borrowing

```
#[derive(Debug)]
struct Stats { score: u32 }

fn sub(s: &mut Stats) {
    s.score += 1;
}

fn main() {
    let mut a = Stats { score: 8 };
    // ownership of `a` is borrowed to `s`
    sub(&mut a);
    // ownership of `s` is returned back to `a`
    println!("{:?}", a);
}
```




Basic idea:

- How long does the referenced value live?
- Where do values live?
 - scopes
 - `'static` (i.e. “lives as long as the program”)
 - ...
- A lifetime is denoted `'a`, `'b` or `'c`
- *Lifetime elision*: compiler has automatic rules which derive lifetimes
- In function signatures and struct members, we sometimes need to declare the lifetime explicitly.

Benefits of lifetimes for memory safety:

- Solves the use-after-free problem



Lifetimes example

```
struct Stats {  
    score: &mut u32,  
}
```

...with lifetimes becomes ...

```
struct Stats<'a> {  
    score: &'a mut u32,  
}
```



Methods

- methods can be associated with a **struct**
- does not depend on **self** → static methods
- **let** `op = Xor::new();`
`op.name()` is syntactic sugar for `Xor::name(op)`

```
struct Xor { init: [u8; 32] }
```

```
impl Xor {  
    fn new() -> Xor {  
        Xor { init: [0u8; 32] }  
    }  
}
```

```
    fn name(&self) -> &'static str { "xor" }  
}
```



Traits

- Nominal type system, based on Hindley-Milner
- traits like contracts, default method implementations possible
- trait must be in scope to be used (**use** keyword)
- no subtyping, no inheritance, but method overloading
- **marker traits**: no methods to implement, but
impl Trait **for** Type {} to declare some property
e.g. **std::marker::Send**: Types that can be transferred across thread boundaries.
- **extension traits**: Add functionality to primitive/stdlib types

Trait coherence:

“... we can implement a trait on a type only if either the trait or the type is local to our crate”



Traits

```
trait HashAlgorithm256 {  
    const OUTPUT_SIZE: u32 = 256;  
    fn hash(&self, content: &[u8]) -> [u8; 32];  
}  
  
impl HashAlgorithm256 for Xor {  
    fn hash(&self, content: &[u8]) -> [u8; 32] {  
        let mut digest = self.init;  
        for (i, byte) in content.iter().enumerate() {  
            digest[i % 32] ^= byte;  
        }  
        digest  
    }  
}
```



Generics

- T is an abstract type
- rust allows to be generic over types (but not values)
- implementation by *monomorphization*:
optimized code for each type in executable (like C++ templates)

```
fn add<T>(a: T, b: T) -> T
  where T: std::ops::Add<Output = T>
{
  a + b
}
```

```
fn main() {
  println!("{}", add(3u8, 5));
  println!("{}", add(3f32, 5.));
}
```



unsafe

```
#[cfg(any(target_arch = "x86", target_arch = "x86_64"))]
fn rdtsc {
    let (mut eax, mut ebx, mut ecx) = (0, 0, 0);
    unsafe {
        asm!("rdtsc",
            out("eax") eax,
            out("ecx") ecx,
            out("edx") edx);
    }
}
```

1. Dereference a raw pointer (**const** `*`)
2. Call an **unsafe** function or method
3. Access or modify a mutable static variable
4. Implement an **unsafe** trait
5. Access fields of unions



Macros

- Three kinds of macros
 1. function-like macros (`println!("hi")`)
 2. derive macros (`derive(Debug)`)
 3. attribute-like macros (`cfg(target_arch = "x86")`)

```
macro_rules! shake {  
    (update $base:ident with $($elem:expr, )*)  
    => { $($base.update($elem); )* };  
}
```

Input:

```
shake!(update h with &data, &[b' '], &data2,);
```

Output:

```
h.update(&data);  
h.update(&[b' ']);  
h.update(&data2);
```




Stack versus Heap

- Stack requires `Sized`, opposite is `?Sized`
- Heap allocations via special types
- e.g. `Box`, `Rc`, `Arc`

```
fn main() {  
    let a = Box::new(5);  
    let b = Box::new(6);  
    assert_eq!(11, *a + *b);  
}
```

rust is awesome



Type inference example

Assume **fn** **store**(toml: **TomlTree**).

```
let input: &str = r#"[package]\nkey = "value" "#;  
match input.parse() {  
    Ok(toml) => store(toml),  
    Err(error) => panic!("failed to parse TOML"),  
};
```

Implementation of **str.parse**:

```
pub fn parse<F: FromStr>(&self)  
    -> Result<F, <F as FromStr>::Err>  
{  
    FromStr::from_str(self)  
}
```



WebAssembly

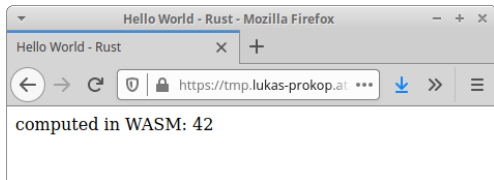
```
rustup target add wasm32-unknown-unknown
```

```
[dependencies]           # in Cargo.toml
wasm-bindgen = "0.2"

#[wasm_bindgen]           // in lib.rs
pub fn add(a: i32, b: i32) -> i32 { a + b }
```

```
wasm-pack build --target web
```

```
const wasm = await init("./pkg/webassembly_example_bg.wasm");
const sum = wasm.add(20, 22);
document.body.textContent = `computed in WASM: ${sum}`;
```



via wasmbyexample.dev



Critical parts

- Long compilation times
 - compare with go lang
 - see also perf.rust-lang.org
- Multi-pass compiler
 1. fix lexical errors
 2. fix types
 3. fix borrows
 4. fix lifetimes
 5. ...
- “`Vec<Rc<RefCell<Box<Trait>>>>?`
Is there a better way?”



Resources

Official documentation:

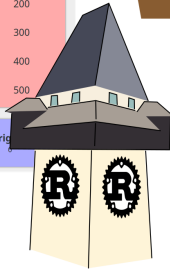
- [Rust book](#)
- [Rust by example](#)
- Rust website: [learn page](#)

Event-based:

- [RustFest conference](#) (talks on youtube)
- [RustGraz](#) local meetup

Book: [Rust in Action](#)

RustGraz Jeopardy: round 1			
true false	what's stdout?	leee754	abbreviations
100	100	100	100
200	200	200	200
300	300	300	300
400	400	400	400
500	500	500	500
left 0	mid 0	right 0	



Hacker Jeopardy

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<https://github.com/prokls/iaikrust>

Thank you! Q/A?





Concurrency

- SIMD, atomic ops, Mutex/CondVar, Once, RwLock, Barrier
- crossbeam-channel
- OS threads
- async & await since rust 1.39 requires executor/reactor/waiter like tokio/smol/async-std uses Futures
- shared memory



Are we ...yet?

- GUI
- (Machine) learning
- Web
- game
- audio

via [Mozilla: Areweyet](#)