

Diesel

**A safe and extensible ORM and
Query Builder for Rust**

Who am I?

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Why Diesel?

```
let stmt = try!(conn.prepare("SELECT * FROM users \
                               WHERE users.name = $1 LIMIT 1"));
let rows = try!(stmt.query(&[&name]));
let row = rows.iter().next();
Ok(User::from_row(&row))
```

```
users.filter(name.eq(&name))  
    .first(&connection)
```

[derive(Queryable)]

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE users.name = $1
```

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE usres.nme = $3
```


*thread '<main>' panicked
at 'Sean you are a fucking
moron. Give up on life'*

– What I see when I get database errors

I hate runtime errors

**I hate runtime errors
(Especially in Rust)**

```
thread '<main>' panicked at 'called `Result::unwrap()`  
on an `Err` value: "LOL STACKTRACES"',  
../src/libcore/result.rs:741
```

Abstractibility

```
let versions = Version::belonging_to(krate)
    .select(id)
    .order(num.desc())
    .limit(5);
let downloads = try!(version_downloads
    .filter(date.gt(now - 90.days()))
    .filter(version_id.eq(any(versions)))
    .order(date)
    .load::<Download>(&conn));
```

```
let versions = krate.latest_versions()  
    .limit(5);  
let downloads = try!(version_downloads  
    .filter(date.gt(now - 90.days()))  
    .filter(version_id.eq(any(versions)))  
    .order(date)  
    .load::(&conn));
```

```
let mut versions = try!(crate.versions(tx));  
versions.sort_by(|a, b| b.num.cmp(&a.num));  
let to_show = &versions[..cmp::min(5, versions.len())];  
let ids = to_show.iter().map(|i| i.id).collect::<Vec<_>>();
```



```
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    .limit(5);  
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    .filter(date.gt(now - 90.days()))  
    .filter(version_id.eq(any(versions)))  
    .order(date)  
    .load::(&conn));
```

```
let versions = krate.latest_versions()  
    .limit(5);  
let downloads = try!(version_downloads  
    .filter(Download::recent())  
    .filter(version_id.eq(any(versions)))  
    .order(date)  
    .load::<Download>(&conn));
```

Abstractions are cool

**I want to think about
my problem domain**

How does it all work?

```
users.filter(name.eq("Sean"))
```

Macros and codegen

```
table! {  
    users {  
        id -> Serial,  
        name -> String,  
        hair_color -> Nullable<String>,  
    }  
}
```



```
pub mod users {  
    pub struct table;  
    pub struct id;  
    pub struct name;  
    pub struct hair_color;  
  
    /* Boilerplate impls for all of the things */  
}
```

```
impl Expression for users::name {  
    type SqlType = VarChar;  
}
```

```
impl SelectableExpression<users::table> for users::name {  
}
```

```
fn eq<T>(other: T) -> Eq<Self, T::Expression> where  
    T: AsExpression<Self::SqlType>,
```

```
name.eq("Sean");
```

```
name.eq("Sean");  
name.eq(String::from("Sean"));
```

```
name.eq("Sean");  
name.eq(String::from("Sean"));  
name.eq(hair_color);
```

```
name.eq("Sean");  
name.eq(String::from("Sean"));  
name.eq(hair_color);  
name.eq(lower(coalesce(hair_color, "Jim")));
```



```
impl<'a> AsExpression<VarChar> for &'a str {  
    type Expression = Bound<&'a str, VarChar>;  
  
    fn as_expression(self) -> Self::Expression {  
        // ...  
    }  
}
```

**Things weren't
always the cleanest**

```
fn find<T, U, PK>(&self, source: T, id: PK) -> QueryResult<U> where
  T: Table + FilterDsl<FindPredicate<T, PK>>,
  FindBy<T, T::PrimaryKey, PK>: LimitDsl,
  Limit<FindBy<T, T::PrimaryKey, PK>>: QueryFragment<Self::Backend>,
  U: Queryable<<Limit<FindBy<T, T::PrimaryKey, PK>> as Query>::SqlType, Self::Backend>,
  Self::Backend: HasSqlType<<Limit<FindBy<T, T::PrimaryKey, PK>> as Query>::SqlType>,
  PK: AsExpression<PkType<T>>,
  AsExpr<PK, T::PrimaryKey>: NonAggregate,
```

(Don't worry, that where clause is gone now. It was horrible)

```
pub trait FindDsl<PK> where
  Self: Table + FilterDsl<Eq<<Self as Table>::PrimaryKey, PK>>,
  PK: AsExpression<<Self::PrimaryKey as Expression>::SqlType>,
  Eq<Self::PrimaryKey, PK>: SelectableExpression<Self, SqlType=Bool> + NonAggregate,
```

**The end result is
safety**

```
fn main() {  
    let _ = users::table.filter(posts::id.eq(1));  
    //~^ ERROR SelectableExpression  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    use self::users::dsl::*;  
  
    let pred = id.eq("string");  
    //~^ ERROR E0277  
    let pred = id.eq(name);  
    //~^ ERROR type mismatch  
}
```


Safety allows speed

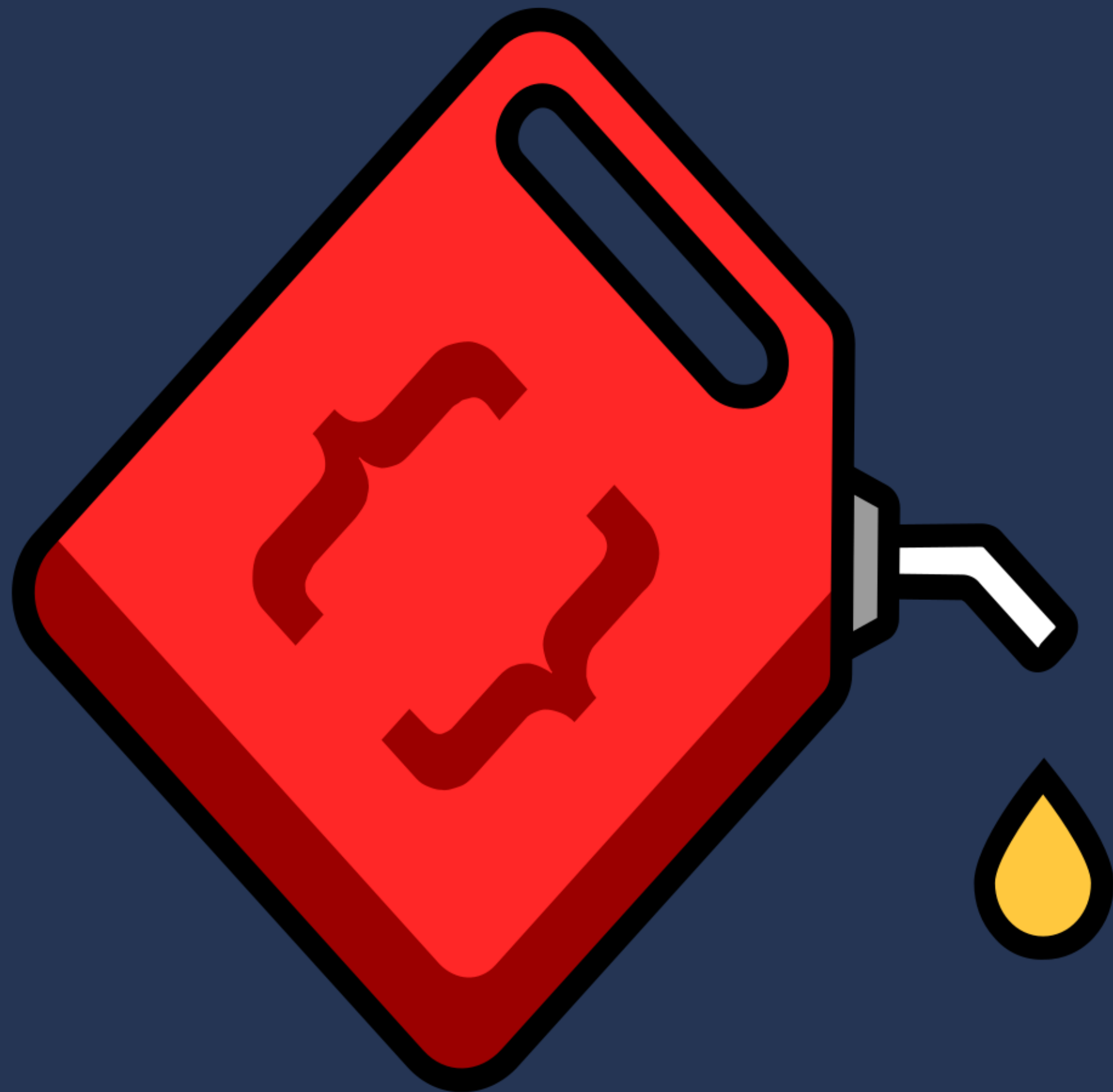
**Types are fucking
cool**



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I have stickers!





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