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Ein Rust-Kurs für Anfänger

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Structs: Overview

- custom type which contains structured data
- add meaning and context to the representation of your data
e.g. variable names: age provides meaning, a does not tell you what it contains

Kinds of structs:

- structs (most common)
- tuple structs
- unit-like structs

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Can you mark individual fields as *mutable*? Why or why not?

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Struct update syntax

- copy fields with the same data to another struct

```
struct ManyFields {  
    a: bool,  
    b: i16,  
    c: String,  
}
```

```
let mf1 = ManyFields { a: true, b: -12, c: String::from("message") };  
let mf2 = ManyFields {  
    c: String::from("important message"),  
    ..mf1, // `a` and `b` are copied from `mf1` into `mf2`  
};
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- fields with types that cannot be copied (e.g. c of type String), will be moved
⇒ mf1 cannot be used anymore

Tuple structs

- field access via *dot* operator .
- indices start from 0

⇒ basically *named tuples*

```
struct ColorRGB(u8, u8, u8);
```

```
fn main() {  
    let unnamed_tuple = (0, 12, 9);  
    let magenta = ColorRGB(255, 0, 255);  
  
}
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    println!("second field of unnamed_tuple: {}", unnamed_tuple.1);  
  
    // access a tuple struct like a normal tuple  
    println!("blue value of magenta: {}", magenta.2);  
}
```

Unit-like structs

- a struct without any fields or data

```
struct MyUnit;
```

```
fn main() {  
    let my_unit1 = MyUnit;  
    let my_unit2 = MyUnit {};  
    // `my_unit2` contains the same value as `my_unit1`  
    // the `{}` are unnecessary  
}
```

Adding functionality with derived traits

- “deriving a trait” \Rightarrow Asking rustc to implement it for us
- add `#[derive(TraitA, TraitB)]` in front of a struct definition
- does not work with every trait

Adding functionality with derived traits: Printing structs

- the Debug trait will let us use the debug formatter

```
#[derive(Debug)]
struct Rectangle {
    width: u32,
    height: u32,
}

fn main() {
    let r1 = Rectangle { width: 20, height: 40 };
    println!("my struct: {:?}", r1);
    println!("my struct: {}", r1); // will not work, because `{}` requires the `Display` trait
}
```


Adding functionality with derived traits: Cloning structs

- the `Clone` trait will implement an element-wise deep copy
⇒ every data on the heap will be allocated again

```
#[derive(Debug, Clone)]
struct User {
    name: String,
    age: u32,
}
```

```
fn main() {
    let u1 = User {
        name: String::from("Bob"),
        age: 40
    };
    let u2 = User {
        age: 20,
        ..u1.clone()
    };
    // without `.clone()` accessing `u1`
    // would be invalid now
    println!("user 1: {:?}", u1);
}
```

Initialising structs with functions

```
// file: src/main.rs
struct Rectangle {
    width: u32,
    height: u32,
}
```

```
// file: src/main.rs
fn main() {
    let r1 = Rectangle {
        width: 20,
        height: 40,
    };

    let r2 = Rectangle {
        width: 9_000,
        height: 10,
    };
}
```

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```

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// file: src/main.rs
fn new_rectangle(width: u32, height: u32) → Rectangle {
    Rectangle {
        width,
        height,
    }
}

fn main() {
    let r1 = new_rectangle(20, 40);
    let r2 = new_rectangle(9_000, 10);
}
```

Creating our first associated function

```
struct Rectangle {  
    width: u32,  
    height: u32,  
}
```

What we have:

```
let r1 = new_rectangle(20, 40);
```

`new_rectangle` is a **free function**

⇒ it does *not belong* to a certain namespace

What we want:

```
let r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);
```

`new` is an **associated function**

⇒ it belongs to the `Rectangle` namespace

Creating our first associated function

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fn main() {  
    let r1 = new_rectangle(20, 40);  
}  
  
fn new_rectangle(width: u32, height: u32) → Rectangle {  
    Rectangle {  
        width,  
        height,  
    }  
}
```

Creating our first associated function

```
fn main() {  
    let r1 = Rectangle::new_rectangle(20, 40);  
}  
  
impl Rectangle {  
    fn new_rectangle(width: u32, height: u32) → Rectangle {  
        Rectangle {  
            width,  
            height,  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Creating our first associated function

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            width,  
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        }  
    }  
}
```

- every function defined in `impl` belongs to the namespace

Creating our first associated function

```
fn main() {  
    let r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
}  
  
impl Rectangle {  
    fn new(width: u32, height: u32) → Self {  
        Self {  
            width,  
            height,  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- `Self` is an alias to the type from the `impl` block
⇒ avoids repetition

Summary: Associated functions

- defined in an `impl` block
- belong to the namespace of the type
- called using the *namespace* operator `::`
`Rectangle::new(20, 40)`
- e.g. `String::from("")`, `String::new()`

Adding more functionality with methods

```
fn set_width(rect: &mut Rectangle, width: u32) {  
    rect.width = width  
}
```

What we have:

```
let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
set_width(&mut r1, 70);
```

set_width is a **free function**

What we want:

```
let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
r1.set_width(70);
```

set_width is a **method** that operates on an instance of Rectangle
⇒ the *dot* operator `.` is used to call it

The methodic way from functions to methods

Starting with `set_width` as a free function

```
fn set_width(rect: &mut Rectangle, width: u32) {  
    rect.width = width  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
    set_width(&mut r1, 70);  
}
```

The methodic way from functions to methods

Moving `set_width` into the `impl` block

```
impl Rectangle {  
    fn set_width(rect: &mut Rectangle, width: u32) {  
        rect.width = width  
    }  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
    Rectangle::set_width(&mut r1, 70);  
}
```

The methodic way from functions to methods

Rectangle \Rightarrow Self, rect \Rightarrow self

```
impl Rectangle {  
    fn set_width(self: &mut Self, width: u32) {  
        self.width = width  
    }  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
    Rectangle::set_width(&mut r1, 70);  
}
```

The methodic way from functions to methods

`&mut self` is an alias to `self: &mut Self`, replace it

```
impl Rectangle {  
    fn set_width(&mut self, width: u32) {  
        self.width = width  
    }  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
    Rectangle::set_width(&mut r1, 70);  
}
```

The methodic way from functions to methods

`set_width` is now a method and we can call on an instance
in the same way we can access fields of an instance
⇒ with the *dot* operator .

```
impl Rectangle {  
    fn set_width(&mut self, width: u32) {  
        self.width = width  
    }  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    let mut r1 = Rectangle::new(20, 40);  
    r1.set_width(70);  
}
```

Summary: Methods

- special **associated functions** with `self` as their first parameter
- also called **member functions**
- operate on an instance of a type
- called using the *dot* operator `.`
`r1.set_width(70)`
- calling a method automatically (de-)references the variable
`r1.set_width(70) ⇒ (&mut r1).set_width(70)`

The impl block

- `impl` (implementation) block contains function definitions for a type
- multiple `impl` blocks for the same type are allowed

Aliases in an `impl` block:

- `Self` is an alias to the type
- `fn method(&mut self) ⇒ fn method(self: &mut Self)`
- `fn method(&self) ⇒ fn method(self: &Self)`
- `fn method(self) ⇒ fn method(self: Self)`

Task 'rect'

- create a struct Rect with width and height

```
r: Rect { width: 5, height: 3 }
```

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- implement `fmt::Display` for it so you can easily `print!("{}", r)` it

```
r: Rect(5 x 3)
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```
s: Rect(4 x 3)
```

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s.can_contain(r): false
```

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- implement `r.draw()` to print some `#s`

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r.can_contain(s): true
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#####
#####
#####
```

Task 'rect' – fmt::Debug

so that `println!("{:?}", rect);` works

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}
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    ...
}
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        write!(f, "          ",
                )
    }
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Task 'bars'

drawing bar diagrams of functions

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```
/- width -\
```

```
\  
|  
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|  
|  
/
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4          |  
7          |_height  
1          |  
12         |  
5          /
```

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- scale your diagram to your width

```

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##### 90      \
#### 40         |
##### 70      |_height
# 10            |
##### 120     |
##### 50      /

```

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- create an array with test values
- write a function that draws your array
- write a function that finds the maximum
- add some very large values
- scale your diagram to your width
- use one or more structs where useful

```
##### 90
#### 40
##### 70
# 10
##### 120
#### 50
```