

# **Structs, Enums, Collections**

**Rust, in Practice and in Theory**  
**Lecture 4**

# Outline

Recap **ownership** and **borrowing**

Discuss **structures**, **enumerations**, and **collections**

Look at issues of **ownership** and **borrowing** with regards to structures and enumerations

**Workshop:** Assignment 2

# **Recap: Ownership**

# Ownership

*There are two rules:*

1. Every value has exactly one **owner**
2. When the owner of a value **goes out of scope**,  
any memory associated with the value is **freed**

# The Big Question

*If we're not explicitly allocating/deallocating memory, when should it happen?*

1. When it's owner goes out of scope
2. When it no longer has an owner

# Who can be an owner?

```
fn foo(x : String) -> String {  
    x.clone() + &x  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let y = foo(String::from("bar"));  
    println!("{}", y);  
}
```

Mostly **variables** and **parameters**, and **return values**

# Drop

```
fn main() {  
    let x = String::from("x");  
}
```

When a variable goes out of scope, Rust calls a function called **drop** *on its value* to return the memory

*(It's kind of like adding **free(x)** at the end of the block)*

# Drop

```
fn main() {  
    let mut x = String::from("x");  
    x = String::from("y");  
    println!("{}", x);  
}
```

**drop** is also call when a value is replaced

*The original string no longer has an owner*



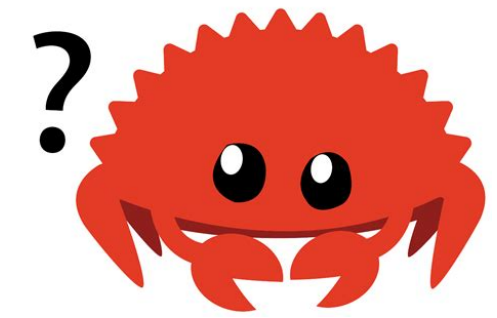
# Drop

```
fn main() {  
    let mut x = String::from("x");  
    x = String::from("y") + &x;  
    println!("{}", x);  
}
```

What about this case? Should we drop the String "x"?

Should we drop before or after evaluating the RHS of the assignment?

# Move



```
fn main() {  
    let x = String::from("x")  
    let y = x;  
    println!("{x}");  
    println!("{y}");  
}
```

Data on the heap must be **moved** on assignment (really, the pointer must be given up)

**y** owns the one copy of the string that **x** originally owned

# Move

```
fn foo(mut x : String) -> String {  
    x.push_str("y");  
    x  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let x = String::from("x");  
    let y = foo(x);  
    println!("{}", y);  
}
```

Moves also happen at return values

Ownership is transferred to the parameter of **foo**,  
and then given to **y** from return value of **foo**

# Copy

```
fn main() {  
    let x = 5;  
    let y = x;  
    println!("{}", x);  
    println!("{}", y);  
}
```

For data on the stack, there is no memory to return. Data on stack can be **copied** on assignment

**x** and **y** both own a copy of the value 5

# Clone

```
fn main() {  
    let x = String::from("x")  
    let y = x.clone();  
    println!("{}", x);  
    println!("{}", y);  
}
```

It is possible to copy data on the heap but we must explicitly call the function **clone**

**y** owns a *deep* copy of the string that **x** *still* owns

# What's copied and what's moved?

**Short answer:** Stack data is copied, heap data is moved

**Long answer:** Everything is moved except for those types which implement the **Copy** trait

*(we'll talk about traits later)*

# Borrowing

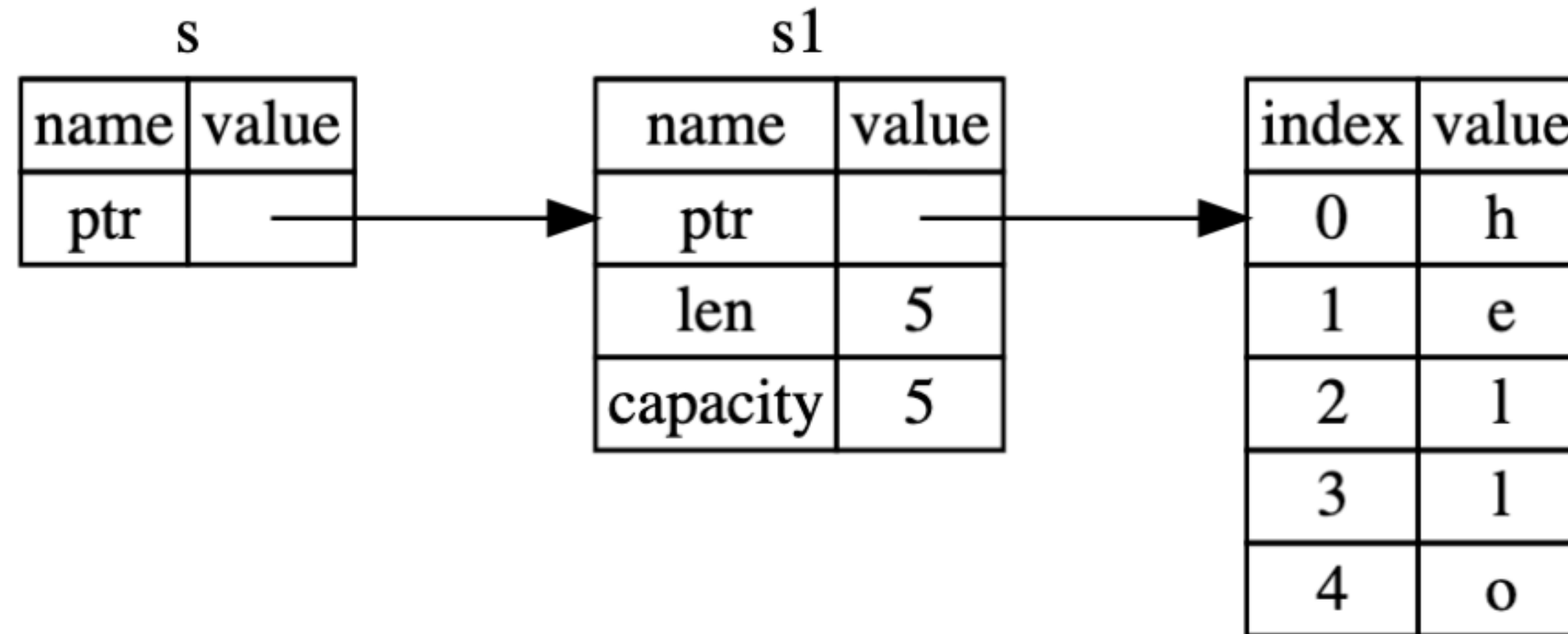
# Immutable References

```
fn length(x : &String) -> i32 {  
    let mut count = 0;  
    for _ in x.chars() { count += 1; }  
    count  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let x : String = String::from("xyz");  
    let y = length(&x);  
    println!("{}", y);  
}
```

A **reference** is like a pointer, guaranteed to point at a valid value



# The Picture



In the above picture `s` has access without taking ownership

**We can have as many immutable references we want**

# A Note on Dereferencing

```
fn foo(x : &String) {  
    let _ : &String = x;  
    let _ : String = *x;  
    let _ : str = **x;  
}
```

It is also possible to dereference, and this looks a bit more like a pointer, but the behavior can be a bit unclear

**Deref** is a trait (like **Copy**) and the behavior of dereferencing can include implicit coercions

# Mutable References

```
fn main() {  
    let mut s = String::from("hello");  
  
    change(&mut s);  
}  
  
fn change(some_string: &mut String) {  
    some_string.push_str(", world");  
}
```

Mutable references are the same, except that we're allowed to update the associated value

**We can only have one mutable reference at a time**

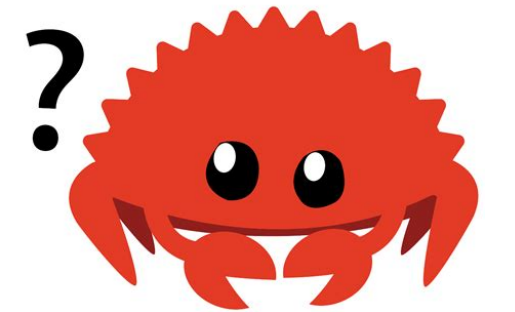
# Slices

```
fn main() {  
    let s = String::from("long string");  
    println!("{}", &s[2..8]) // prints: ng str  
}
```

Slices let you refer to a contiguous chunk of a collection like a string

They're a special kind of reference, and they follow similar rules as references

# Slices and Borrowing



```
fn main() {  
    let mut s = String::from("long string");  
    let a : &mut str = &mut s[1..4];  
    a.make_ascii_uppercase();  
    let _c : &mut String = &mut s;  
    println!("{}", &a)  
}
```

A slice still counts a reference. We can't mutably borrow a string if someone else is borrowing a slice

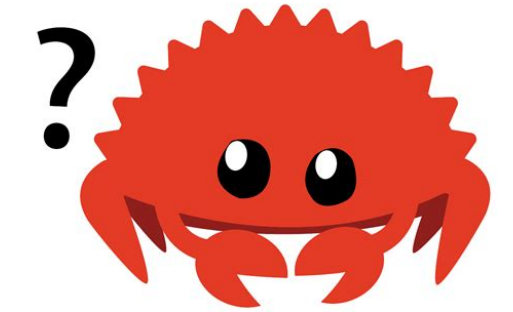
# Structures and Enumerations

# Structures

```
struct Player {  
    name: String,  
    score: i32,  
}  
  
let p = Player {  
    name: String::from("Ash"),  
    score: 0,  
}
```

Structures are unordered, named, fixed-size groups of data

# Field Access/Update



```
struct User {  
    a: String,  
    b: String,  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut u = User {a: "test".to_string(), b: "ing".to_string()};  
    let x : String = u.a;  
    u.b = String::from("er");  
    println!("{}", u.a)  
}
```

We can use **dot notation** to access and update fields of a structure

*Accessing can move values*

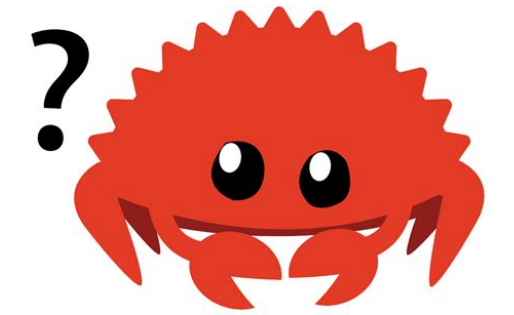


# Borrowing Structure Fields

```
struct User {  
    a: String,  
    b: String,  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut u = User {a: "test".to_string(), b: "ing".to_string()};  
    let x : &String = &u.a;  
    let y : &mut String = &mut u.b;  
    *y = String::from("er");  
    println!("{}", {x})  
}
```

We can have both mutable and immutable references to fields in a structure

# Borrowing a Struct



```
struct User {  
    a: String,  
    b: String,  
}  
  
fn update(u : &mut User) {  
    u.b = String::from("er")  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let mut u = User {a: "test".to_string(), b: "ing".to_string()};  
    let x : &String = &u.a;  
    update(&mut u);  
    println!("{}", {x})  
}
```

But we can't borrow overlapping parts of a structure

# This works

```
struct A { b : B, i : i32 }
struct B { i : i32 }

fn main() {
    let mut a = A {i: 20, b: B {i:10}};
    let n : &mut i32 = &mut a.b.i;
    let m : &mut i32 = &mut a.i;
    *n += 1;
    *m += 2;
    println!("{}", a.i, a.b.i);
}
```

We can have multiple mutable references to non-intersecting parts of a structure

# No Partial Mutability

We can't selectively choose fields to be mutable

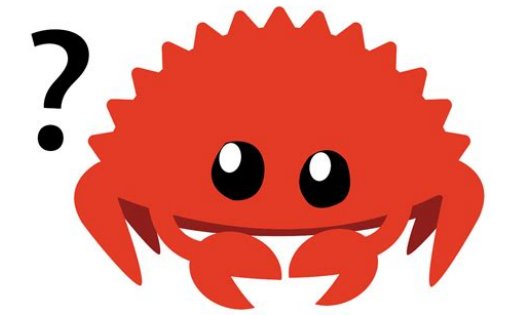
If we borrow a structure, we can mutate any part of it

```
struct U { a: i32, b: i32 }

fn update (u : &mut U) {
    u.a += 1;
    u.b -= 1;
}

fn main() {
    let mut u = U {a:0, b:0};
    update(&mut u);
    println!("{}", u.a, u.b);
}
```

# Structures and the Stack



```
struct List {  
    head: i32,  
    tail: Option<List>,  
}
```

what is the size  
of a **List**?

Remember, unless otherwise specified, everything is put on the stack. This means structures as well

This means we can't create **recursive** structures (yet)

# Aside: Derived Traits and Debug

Traits allow us to abstract behaviors of given types

*Derived traits* allow "obvious" traits to be implemented without any work

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

fn main() {
    let scale = 2;
    let rect1 = Rectangle {
        width: dbg!(30 * scale),
        height: 50,
    };

    dbg!(&rect1);
}
```

# Methods

We can define methods and associated functions on structures

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

impl Rectangle {
    fn area(&self) -> u32 {
        self.width * self.height
    }
    fn square(size: u32) -> Self {
        Self {
            width: size,
            height: size,
        }
    }
}

fn main() {
    let rect1 = Rectangle {width: 30, height: 50};
    let _a = rect1.area();
    let _s = Rectangle::square(5);
}
```

# Enumerations

Enumerates describe  
possible "shapes"  
(i.e., constructors)  
of the data

Constructors can hold  
(named) data

```
enum OS {  
    BSD,  
    MacOS(u32, u32),  
    Linux {  
        major: u32,  
        minor: u32,  
    }  
}
```



# Pattern Matching

```
fn supported(o : OS) -> bool {  
    match o {  
        OS::BSD => false,  
        OS::MacOS(major, minor) => major >= 10 && minor >= 3,  
        OS::Linux {major, .. }=> major >= 33,  
    }  
}
```

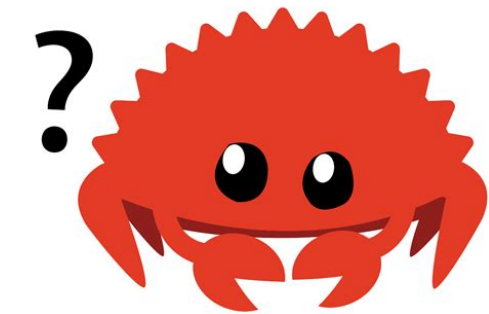
We use **match expressions** to match on enumerations

Matches must be *exhaustive*

(There are a lot of fancy pattern matching tools, use them if you want)

# Enumerations and Ownership

```
enum A {  
    X(String)  
}
```

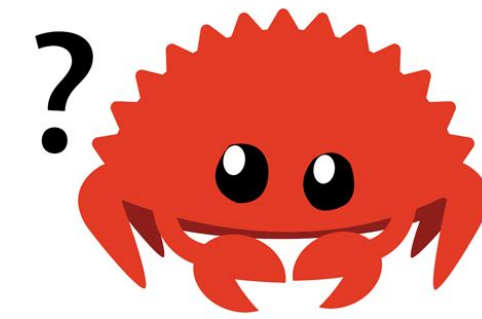


```
fn main() {  
    let a = A::X(String::from("inner string"));  
    let s = match a { A::X(s) => s };  
    println!("{}", s);  
    match a { A::X(s) => println!("{}", s) };  
}
```

Values *can* be moved out of constructors

# References and Pattern Matching

```
enum A {  
    X(String, String)  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let il = String::from("left inner string");  
    let ir = String::from("right inner string");  
    let mut a = A::X(il, ir);  
    let s : &String = match a { A::X(ref il, _) => il };  
    let a_ref : &mut A = &mut a;  
    println!("{}", s);  
}
```



We can bind by reference during pattern matching

# Options and Results

```
enum Option<T> {  
    None,  
    Some(T),  
}
```

```
enum Result<T, E> {  
    Ok(T),  
    Err(E),  
}
```

We have the usual types for dealing with errors  
(along with some nice operators like `?` for  
working in the monad)

# Collections

# Vectors

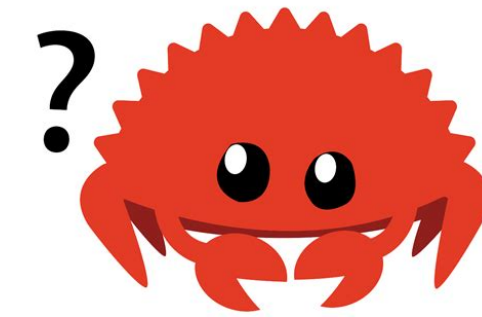
```
let v: Vec<i32> = Vec::new();    // creating a new vector
let mut v = vec![1, 2, 3];      // from array shorthand
v.push(5);                      // append to end
let x: Option<i32> = v.pop();    // removing from end
let x: &i32 = &v[2];            // unsafe indexing
let x: Option<&i32> = v.get(2);  // safe indexing
```

A **vector** is a contiguous collection of data in memory

They have the usual methods (check the docs)

# Vectors and Borrowing

```
let first = &v[0];  
v.push(6);  
let x = first;
```



A reference to an element in a vector counts as a borrow of the *entire* vector

(Apologies again for mixing this up in the case of slices)

# Iteration

```
let mut x = 0;  
for i in &v {  
    x += i  
}  
for i in &mut v {  
    *i += 10  
}
```

We can iterate over vectors in the usual way

(note the dereference operator \*)



# Question

*Can we iterate over a vector that might be updated intermittently?*

# Strings

```
let hello = String::from("السلام عليكم");  
let hello = String::from("Dobrý den");  
let hello = String::from("Hello");  
let hello = String::from("ᐃᐣᐅᐃ");  
let hello = String::from("नमस्ते");  
let hello = String::from("こんにちは");  
let hello = String::from("안녕하세요");  
let hello = String::from("你好");  
let hello = String::from("Olá");  
let hello = String::from("Здравствуй");  
let hello = String::from("Hola");
```

Strings are complicated...

We're not going to worry about it too much...

# Hash Maps

```
use std::collections::HashMap;
let mut h : HashMap<String,i32> = HashMap::new(); // create
h.insert(String::from("ten"), 10);                // insert (moves values into h)
let x : Option<&i32> = h.get("ten");                // access (does not consume key)
```

The standard library also has hash maps with the usual interface

Note that insertion moves values whereas accessing does not  
(See the docs for more examples)

# **Workshop: Assignment 2**

# Workshop

If you haven't gotten started on assignment 2, now's a good time. I'll walk around and see how everyone is doing on it.

(And take attendance)