# Rust's Standard Library

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# Outline

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and we can use "slice patterns" with them:

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let [a, b] = ["A", "B"];
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Because the sizing is dynamic, we can add to these:

```
x.push(5);
x.push(6);
assert_eq!(x.len(), 7);
assert!(match x.pop() { Some(6) => true, _ => false });
```

Some useful functions for `Vec<T>`:

```
// Creation
fn new() -> Vec<T>;
fn with_capacity(capacity: usize) -> Vec<T>;

// Modification
fn push(&mut self, value: T);
fn pop(&mut self) -> Option<T>;

fn insert(&mut self, index: usize, element: T);
fn remove(&mut self, index: usize) -> T;

// Metadata
fn len(&self) -> usize;
fn is_empty(&self) -> bool;
```

# Vec<T>: Representation

```
 ___________
|len        |
|           |
|     2     |
|-----------|
|capacity   |
|           |
|     4     |
|-----------|
|ptr        |                 _________________________________
|           |                |       |       |       |       |
|     *-------------->|   2   |   3   |   X   |   X   |
|___________|                |_______|_______|_______|_______|
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We can use a VecDeque<T> instead!

```
let x = VecDeque::from([1, 2, 3, 4]);
x.pop_front();
x.push_front(5);
```

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fn new() -> Vec<T>;
fn with_capacity(capacity: usize) -> Vec<T>;

// Modification
fn push_front / push_back(&mut self, value: T);
fn pop_front / pop_back(&mut self) -> Option<T>;

// We'll come back to this one
fn make_contiguous(&mut self) -> &mut [T];

// Metadata
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fn is_empty(&self) -> bool;
```

# Slices: `[T]`, `&[T]` and `&mut [T]`

Recall that `[T]` is a unsized/dynamically-sized view into a continugous sequence of element type `T`.

Because we can view many ways of collecting data this way, we can simply define a lot of useful algorithms on this type:

```
fn len(&self) -> usize;

// Searching & sorting
fn binary_search<T: Ord>(&self, x: &T) -> Result<usize, usize>;
fn sort<T: Ord>(&mut self);
fn sort_unstable<T: Ord>(&mut self);

// Sliding window
fn windows(&self, size: usize) -> impl Iterator<Item = &[T]>;
```

# Slices: Representation

```
 -----------                   ---------------
|len        |                 |len    | ptr   |
|           |                 |     2 |   *   |
|     3     |                 |_______|___|___|
|-----------|                             |
|capacity   |                             |
|           |                  .----------'
|     4     |                  |
|-----------|                  |
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For `BTreeMap<K, V>`, we (essentially) require that `&K: Ord` and `K: Ord`.

The most relevant functions are:

```
fn new() -> HashMap<K, V> / BTreeMap<K, V>;

fn insert(&mut self, key: K, value: V) -> Option<V>;
// Basically, K: Borrow<Q> means that &K can be viewed as &Q
fn get<Q, K: Borrow<Q>>(&self, k: &Q) -> Option<&V>
fn remove<Q, K: Borrow<Q>>(&mut self, key: &Q) -> Option<V>;

fn keys(&self) -> impl Iterator<Item = &K>;
fn values(&self) -> impl Iterator<Item = &V>;

fn entry(&mut self, key: K) -> Entry<'_, K, V>;
```

# Entry

Let's take a look at that `Entry<'a, K, V>` type which popped up in our maps' interface.

```
pub enum Entry<'a, K: 'a, V: 'a> {
    Occupied(OccupiedEntry<'a, K, V>),
    Vacant(VacantEntry<'a, K, V>),
}
```

and some relevant functions:

```
fn and_modify(self, f: impl FnOnce(&mut V)) -> Self;
fn or_insert(self, default: V) -> &'a mut V;
```

# Using an Entry

```
let mut map: HashMap<&str, u32> = HashMap::new();

map.entry("my_entry")
    .and_modify(|e| { *e += 1 })
    .or_insert(42);
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```
// Recall that i32: Copy
let x = 7;
let y = x;
let z = x + y; // Okay, because x was copied, not moved!

println!("{} = {} + {}", z, x, y);
```

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```
#[derive(Clone)]
struct Student {
    andrewid: [u8; 8],
    name: String,
}
```

# PartialEq

In addition to making copies of values we have, another useful thing is to be able to see if we have two values which are the same:

```
pub trait PartialEq<Rhs = Self> {
    fn eq(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool;
    fn ne(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool { ... }
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One notable example is floating point types like `f32` and `f64`, because `NaN != NaN`.

# Eq

So like I've spoiled already, we have another trait for equivalence relations:

```
pub trait Eq: PartialEq<Self> { }
```

We can derive both this and `PartialEq`, which will just check all our fields pairwise, or we can implement a custom version where we can check whatever properties matter to us for equality

# Implementing Eq

```
struct Class {
    dept: u8,
    number: u8,
    cross_listed: HashSet<(u8, u8)>,
}

impl PartialEq for Class {
    fn eq(&self, other: &Self) -> bool {
        (self.dept == other.dept && self.number == other.number)
        || self.cross_listed.contains(&(other.dept, other.number))
    }
}

impl Eq for Class { }
```

# PartialOrd

We likewise have a trait for strict preorders on a subset of our type

```
pub trait PartialOrd<Rhs = Self>: PartialEq<Rhs> {
    fn partial_cmp(&self, other: &Rhs) -> Option<Ordering>;

    fn lt(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool { ... }
    fn le(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool { ... }
    fn gt(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool { ... }
    fn ge(&self, other: &Rhs) -> bool { ... }
}

enum Ordering {
    Less,
    Equal,
    Greater,
}
```

# Ord

There's also a corresponding version for when we can define the order over all the value for our type:

```
pub trait Ord: Eq + PartialOrd<Self> {
    fn cmp(&self, other: &Self) -> Ordering;
    fn max(self, other: Self) -> Self { ... }
    fn min(self, other: Self) -> Self { ... }
    fn clamp(self, min: Self, max: Self) -> Self { ... }
}
```

Here we can also see the value of being able to provide default implementations of functions—the ones here are actually pretty useful!

# Debug

Oftentimes we might want a quick and easy way to print out a type for debugging—we can do this with the `"{:?}"` format specifier, and it'll use the `Debug` implementation.

```
pub trait Debug {
    fn fmt(&self, f: &mut Formatter<'_>) -> Result<(), Error>;
}
```

Normally, we'll just derive this on everything and it'll help us out when we're debugging.

```
#[derive(Debug)]
struct Point {
    x: i32,
    y: i32
}
```

```
assert_eq!(
    format!("{:?}", Point { x: 7, y: 12 }),
    "Point { x: 7, y: 12 }"
);
```

# Display

The definition of Display is the exact same as for Debug:

```
pub trait Display {
    fn fmt(&self, f: &mut Formatter<'_>) -> Result<(), Error>;
}
```

except this is what's used for the "{}", the default/empty format specifier.

Because Display is intended for formatting user-facing output, we can't derive it, and instead would implement it ourselves to dispay our data in a human-friendly way.

# From

Another common situation is wanting to be able to convert a value of one type to another:

```
pub trait From<T> {
    fn from(T) -> Self;
}
```

There's also a falliable version of this in `TryFrom`.
A common use for this, that we've already seen, is converting `&'static str` to `String`—more on strings soon.

```
let s = String::from("Hello, world!");
let k: String = "Hello, world!".into();
```

# Into

`Into` essentially provides the reciprocol of `From`:

```
pub trait Into<T> {
    fn into(self) -> T;
}
```

Generally you want to implement `From`, because if `T` implements `From<U>`, then `Into<T>` is automatically implemented for `U`. This is because there's a *blanket implementation* for `Into` that looks like this:

```
impl<T, U: From<T>> Into<U> for T {
    fn into(self) -> U {
        U::from(self)
    }
}
```

# Outline

# `Iterator`

There's another major trait we haven't talked about in-depth yet, `Iterator`. To see how useful this might be, let's take a look at it's items.

```rust
pub trait Iterator {
    type Item;
    fn next(&mut self) -> Option<Self::Item>;

    fn size_hint(&self) -> (usize, Option<usize>) { ... }
    fn count(self) -> usize { ... }
    fn last(self) -> Option<Self::Item> { ... }
    fn advance_by(&mut self, n: usize) -> Result<(), usize> { ... }
    fn nth(&mut self, n: usize) -> Option<Self::Item> { ... }
    fn step_by(self, step: usize) -> StepBy<Self> { ... }
    fn chain<U>(self, other: U) -> Chain<Self, <U as IntoIterator>::IntoIt
    where
        U: IntoIterator<Item = Self::Item>,
    { ... }
    fn zip<U>(self, other: U)
```

```
        -> Zip<Self, <U as IntoIterator>::IntoIter>
    where
        U: IntoIterator,
    { ... }
    fn intersperse(self, separator: Self::Item) -> Intersperse<Self>
    where
        Self::Item: Clone,
    { ... }
    fn intersperse_with<G>(self, separator: G)
        -> IntersperseWith<Self, G>
    where
        G: FnMut() -> Self::Item,
    { ... }
    fn map<B, F>(self, f: F) -> Map<Self, F>
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> B,
```

```
    { ... }
    fn for_each<F>(self, f: F)
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item),
    { ... }
    fn filter<P>(self, predicate: P) -> Filter<Self, P>
    where
        P: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn filter_map<B, F>(self, f: F) -> FilterMap<Self, F>
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> Option<B>,
    { ... }
    fn enumerate(self) -> Enumerate<Self> { ... }
    fn peekable(self) -> Peekable<Self> { ... }
    fn skip_while<P>(self, predicate: P) -> SkipWhile<Self, P>
```

```rust
    where
        P: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn take_while<P>(self, predicate: P) -> TakeWhile<Self, P>
    where
        P: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn map_while<B, P>(self, predicate: P) -> MapWhile<Self, P>
    where
        P: FnMut(Self::Item) -> Option<B>,
    { ... }
    fn skip(self, n: usize) -> Skip<Self> { ... }
    fn take(self, n: usize) -> Take<Self> { ... }
    fn scan<St, B, F>(self, initial_state: St, f: F)
        -> Scan<Self, St, F>
    where
```

```rust
        F: FnMut(&mut St, Self::Item) -> Option<B>,
    { ... }
    fn flat_map<U, F>(self, f: F) -> FlatMap<Self, U, F>
    where
        U: IntoIterator,
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> U,
    { ... }
    fn flatten(self) -> Flatten<Self>
    where
        Self::Item: IntoIterator,
    { ... }
    fn fuse(self) -> Fuse<Self> { ... }
    fn inspect<F>(self, f: F) -> Inspect<Self, F>
    where
        F: FnMut(&Self::Item),
    { ... }
```

```rust
fn by_ref(&mut self) -> &mut Self { ... }
fn collect<B>(self) -> B
where
    B: FromIterator<Self::Item>,
{ ... }
fn partition<B, F>(self, f: F) -> (B, B)
where
    B: Default + Extend<Self::Item>,
    F: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> bool,
{ ... }
fn partition_in_place<'a, T, P>(self, predicate: P) -> usize
where
    T: 'a,
    Self: DoubleEndedIterator<Item = &'a mut T>,
    P: FnMut(&T) -> bool,
{ ... }
```

```rust
    fn is_partitioned<P>(self, predicate: P) -> bool
    where
        P: FnMut(Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn try_fold<B, F, R>(&mut self, init: B, f: F) -> R
    where
        F: FnMut(B, Self::Item) -> R,
        R: Try<Output = B>,
    { ... }
    fn try_for_each<F, R>(&mut self, f: F) -> R
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> R,
        R: Try<Output = ()>,
    { ... }
    fn fold<B, F>(self, init: B, f: F) -> B
    where
```

```
        F: FnMut(B, Self::Item) -> B,
    { ... }
    fn reduce<F>(self, f: F) -> Option<Self::Item>
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item, Self::Item) -> Self::Item,
    { ... }
    fn all<F>(&mut self, f: F) -> bool
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn any<F>(&mut self, f: F) -> bool
    where
        F: FnMut(Self::Item) -> bool,
    { ... }
    fn find<P>(&mut self, predicate: P) -> Option<Self::Item>
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    where
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    { ... }
    fn try_find<F, R, E>(&mut self, f: F)
        -> Result<Option<Self::Item>, E>
    where
        F: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> R,
        R: Try<Output = bool, Residual = Result<Infallible, E>>
            + Try,
    { ... }
    fn position<P>(&mut self, predicate: P) -> Option<usize>
    where
        P: FnMut(Self::Item) -> bool,
```

```
    { ... }
    fn rposition<P>(&mut self, predicate: P) -> Option<usize>
    where
        P: FnMut(Self::Item) -> bool,
        Self: ExactSizeIterator + DoubleEndedIterator,
    { ... }
    fn max(self) -> Option<Self::Item>
    where
        Self::Item: Ord,
    { ... }
    fn min(self) -> Option<Self::Item>
    where
        Self::Item: Ord,
    { ... }
    fn max_by_key<B, F>(self, f: F) -> Option<Self::Item>
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    { ... }
    fn max_by<F>(self, compare: F) -> Option<Self::Item>
    where
        F: FnMut(&Self::Item, &Self::Item) -> Ordering,
    { ... }
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        F: FnMut(&Self::Item) -> B,
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    { ... }
```

```rust
    fn rev(self) -> Rev<Self>
    where
        Self: DoubleEndedIterator,
    { ... }
    fn unzip<A, B, FromA, FromB>(self) -> (FromA, FromB)
    where
        FromA: Default + Extend<A>,
        FromB: Default + Extend<B>,
        Self: Iterator<Item = (A, B)>,
    { ... }
    fn copied<'a, T>(self) -> Copied<Self>
    where
        T: 'a + Copy,
        Self: Iterator<Item = &'a T>,
    { ... }
    fn cloned<'a, T>(self) -> Cloned<Self>
```

```
    where
        T: 'a + Clone,
        Self: Iterator<Item = &'a T>,
    { ... }
    fn cycle(self) -> Cycle<Self>
    where
        Self: Clone,
    { ... }
    fn sum<S>(self) -> S
    where
        S: Sum<Self::Item>,
    { ... }
    fn product<P>(self) -> P
    where
        P: Product<Self::Item>,
    { ... }
```

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fn cmp<I>(self, other: I) -> Ordering
where
    I: IntoIterator<Item = Self::Item>,
    Self::Item: Ord,
{ ... }
fn cmp_by<I, F>(self, other: I, cmp: F) -> Ordering
where
    I: IntoIterator,
    F: FnMut(Self::Item, <I as IntoIterator>::Item)
        -> Ordering,
{ ... }
fn partial_cmp<I>(self, other: I) -> Option<Ordering>
where
    I: IntoIterator,
    Self::Item: PartialOrd<<I as IntoIterator>::Item>,
{ ... }
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    I: IntoIterator,
    Self::Item: PartialEq<<I as IntoIterator>::Item>,
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where
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```

```
    { ... }
    fn ne<I>(self, other: I) -> bool
    where
        I: IntoIterator,
        Self::Item: PartialEq<<I as IntoIterator>::Item>,
    { ... }
    fn lt<I>(self, other: I) -> bool
    where
        I: IntoIterator,
        Self::Item: PartialOrd<<I as IntoIterator>::Item>,
    { ... }
    fn le<I>(self, other: I) -> bool
    where
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        Self::Item: PartialOrd<<I as IntoIterator>::Item>,
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```

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.. a lot of stuff!

# Ones you probably care about

```rust
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        -> impl Iterator<Item = B>
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    { ... }
    fn flatten(self) -> Flatten<Self>
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pub trait IntoIterator {
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    type IntoIter: Iterator<Item = Self::Item>;
    fn into_iter(self) -> Self::IntoIter;
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```

What is a `for` loop anyway?

https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/iter/index.html#for-loops-and-intoiterator

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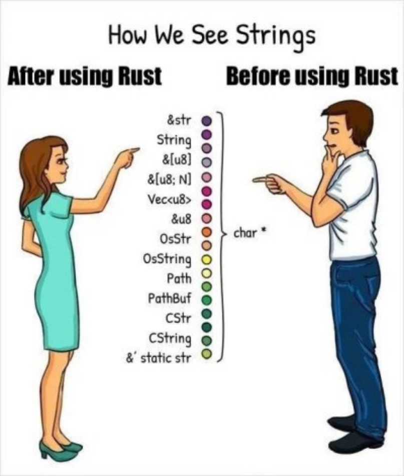

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A `Box<T>` is just a (non-null!) pointer which owns a value of type `T`.

```
let x = Box::new(7);
assert_eq!(*x, 7);
*x += 10;
assert_eq!(*x, 17);
```

This ends up being very useful when defining a recursive struct or enum.

Some relevant functions for working with `Box<T>`:

```
fn new(x: T) -> Box<T>;
fn leak<'a>(b: Box<T>) -> &'a mut T;

// From traits
fn as_mut(&self) -> &mut T;
fn as_ref(&self) -> &T;
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If we're using an `Option<Box<T>>` we can perform a null pointer optimisation, where `None` is instead represented as a null pointer, instead of a heap allocation with the requisite tag.
This means we can avoid storing an extra byte to know if we're `None` or `Some(v)`.
This can be done generally for any `enum`s for which the compiler is aware of a niche in the representation forbidding a zero bit pattern[2].

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# Rc<T>

Where we can only have one owner of a Box<T>, and all ownership is enforced statically, we can instead used *reference counting* to push some of this to runtime (for a little cost).

```rust
let mut x = Rc::new(3);
if let Some(v) = Rc::get_mut(&mut x) {
    *v = 4;
} else {
    unreachable!("Didn't get a mutable reference!");
}
assert_eq!(*x, 4);

// Generally preferred to disambiguate from cloning the inner value
let _y = Rc::clone(&x);
assert!(Rc::get_mut(&mut x).is_none());
```

Relevant functions for `Rc<T>`.

```
fn new(value: T) -> Rc<T>;
fn get_mut(this: &mut Rc<T>) -> Option<&mut T>;
fn make_mut<T: Clone>(this: &mut Rc<T>) -> &mut T;

// From traits--but important! Points to same allocation.
fn clone(&self) -> Rc<T>;
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