

More Syntax and Borrowing struct, enum, impl, match, and the Borrow Checker

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2 Control Flow

- 3 impl blocks
- 4 match expressions
- **5** Ownership
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If there are local variables with the same name, we can shortcut this somewhat:

```
// Dereference because this gives a reference to the array.
let andrewid = *b"cppierce";
let name = String::from("Cooper Pierce");
let section = 'A';
let cooper = Student { andrewid, name, section };
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Unit structs behave exactly like the unnamed unit ():

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let x: Refl = Refl;
```

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which are kept in their own namespace (like C++ enum classes):

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let today = Weekday::Wednesday;
```

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What would an enum for sign look like?

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So while we can do

```
let x;
if some_condition {
    x = 7;
} else {
    x = 9
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```

You'd typically see

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Note that any expression followed by a semicolon will be an expression which discards the result and evaluates to unit.

while loops

We have the typical while loop:

```
fn exp(mut n: i32) -> i32 {
    let mut b = 2;
    let mut x = 1;
    while n > 1 {
        if n % 2 == 1 {
            x = x * b;
        }
        b *= b;
        n /= 2;
    }
    x * b
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Range types are often useful here:

```
for i in 0..n {
    println("{} squared is {}", i, i * i);
}
```

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```
let prime = loop {
    let p = gen_random_number();
    if miller_rabin(p) {
        break p;
    }
};
```

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We can add associated functions and methods to a struct or enum we've defined by using an *impl* block.

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

```
impl Rectangle {
    fn unit() -> Self {
        Self { width: 1, height: 1 }
    }
    fn area(&self) -> u32 {
        self.width * self.height
    }
}
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and methods are typically invoked using a dot:

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let r = Rectangle { width: 4, height: 7 };
assert_eq!(unit_square.area(), 1);
assert_eq!(r.area(), 28);
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match expressions

What if we want to deal with many possible branching choices for an expression?

```
fn fib(n: u32) -> u32 {
    match n {
        0 | 1 => 0,
        n => fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2),
    }
}
```

This is a bit more useful when dealing with enums

```
enum Coin { Penny, Nickel, Dime, Quarter }
impl Coin {
    fn value(&self) -> u32 {
        match self {
            Coin::Penny => 1,
            Coin::Nickel => 5,
            Coin::Dime \implies 10,
            Coin::Quarter => 25,
        }
    }
```

Most of all when the enum has data

```
enum Transmission {
    Incoming(String)
    Done,
fn listen(&mut p: Port) {
    loop {
        match p.receive() {
            Transmission::Incoming(s) => {
                println!(s);
            }
            Done => return.
    7
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Likewise, there's also if let. However, you'll essentially always want to use match if you have two or more things to do.

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Heap:

- Persistent across function calls; not thread-local
- Data can have unknown size
- Some level of explicit memory management (gc, malloc/free, refcounting, dtors, etc..)

Definitions

■ Value: The actual representation of some object

Variable: A name corresponding to that representation

// The variable x has a value of 98008
let x = 98008;

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 - think: popping stack frame or calling free()

Ownership Rules

- Each value in Rust has a single variable called its owner.
- There can only be one owner at a time.
- When the owner exits its scope, the value will be dropped.
- See also https://doc.rust-lang.org/stable/book/ch04-01-what-is-ownership.html

Upcoming Ownership Examples

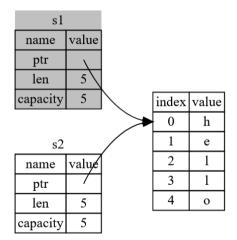
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Ownership Example: Simple Move

```
let x = 5;
let y = x; // `x` can be copied efficiently, so the data is just
// copied into `y`
println!("{}", x); // This is OK
let s1 = String::from("hello");
```

```
let s2 = s1; // `s2` now "owns" the data that `s1` used to refer to
println!("{}", s1); // So this is an error
```

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```
fn makes copy(x: i32) { println!("{}", x); }
fn take_ownership(x: String) { println!("{}", x); }
fn main() {
    let x = 5:
    makes_copy(x);
    println!("{}", x);
    let y = String::from("hello");
    take ownership(y);
    println!("{}", v); // !
```

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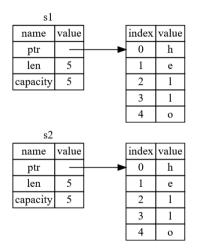
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- Solution: .clone() the data!

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Ownership: Cloning: Diagram



When Can I Copy Or Clone?

- Copy: whenever a type implements the Copy trait!
- Clone: whenever a type implements the Clone trait!
- We'll get into traits more next lecture
- Important: the programmer implementing the struct decides if (and for Clone, how) these operations are allowed
 - Restriction on Copy: every field/variant must be Copy
 - If something is Copy, it must also be Clone

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What's wrong? By changing v, we invalidate the reference x!

In Rust, this cannot happen, because borrowing has restrictions:

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- ... but, you can only have one exclusive borrow (&mut), and not at the same time as any shared borrow.

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Immutable References

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- Only let you read
- Any number can exist at one point, so long as there's no mutable references to the object at the same time.

Immutable References: Example

let x: i32 = 5; let x_ref: &i32 = &x;

// Ok to have more than one immutable ref
let x_ref2: &i32 = &x;

```
// Immutable reference is Copy
let x_ref3: &i32 = x_ref;
```

// Ok, i32 is Copy---can "move out of" reference to one let y: i32 = *x_ref;

Mutable References

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- Let you read and write
- Can only be made if the underlying object is also mutable
- Only one can exist at a time

Mutable References: Example

let x: i32 = 5;

```
// Error: x isn't mut
let x mut ref: &mut i32 = &mut x;
let mut y: i32 = 6;
let y_mut_ref: &mut i32 = &mut y;
// Error: y mut ref
let y mut ref2: &mut i32 = &mut y;
// Error: mut ref isn't Copy
```

```
let y_mut_ref3: &mut i32 = y_mut_ref;
*y_mut_ref += 2;
```

Tomorrow

- Function types
- Closures
- More advanced ownership semantics