



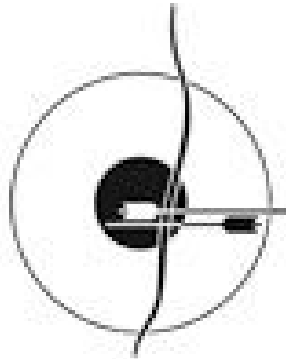
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GIT_AUTHOR_EMAIL=florian@asquera.de  
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GITHUB_HANDLE=skade  
BLOG=skade.me  
YAKS=yakshav.es
```

- Rust and Elasticsearch Trainer
- Event organiser
- Ruby Programmer since 2003
- Rust Programmer since 2013
- CEO asquera GmbH

- Community person
- Rust/Search Meetups
- [eurucamp/jrubyconf.eu](http://eurucamp/jrubyconf.eu)
- RustFest
- Part of the global Rust community team



As a hobby, I shoot arrows at stuff



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*German Kyudo Federation*

Why is Rust  
successful?

# Problem

There's almost no comparable metrics  
for programming languages around.

Define  
"Success"

- Moves the state of technology forward
- Is used in sizable production environments
- Attracts contribution
- Has sizable growth
- Attracts positive feedback

What is  
Rust?



- new systems programming language
- powers and was developed in along with Servo, a new browser engine
- by Mozilla and the Community
- First stable release May 15th, 2015

Providing an alternative to C/C++,  
but also higher-level languages.

- Safe
- Concurrent
- Fast

It's generally perceived that safety, especially memory-safety comes at a runtime cost.

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Pick Three

# Core features



- Static type system with local type inference
- Explicit mutability
- Zero-cost abstractions
- Runtime-independent concurrency safety

- Errors are values
- No null
- Static automatic memory management
- No garbage collection

```
extern crate tempdir;

use tempdir::*;
use std::fs::File;

fn main() {
    let tempdir = TempDir::new("goto-berlin");

    let mut tempfile = match tempdir {
        Ok(dir) => {
            File::create(
                dir.path().join("tmpfile")
            )
        }
        Err(_) => { panic!("Couldn't open tempdir") }
    }

    do_something(&mut tempfile);

    // look, no close necessary!
}
```

Base concept:  
Mutability

```
struct InnerData {  
    val: i32  
}  
  
struct Data {  
    inner: InnerData  
}  
  
fn main() {  
    let d = Data { inner: InnerData { val: 41 } };  
    d.inner.val = 42;  
    // error: cannot assign to immutable field `d.inner.val`  
}
```

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    val: i32  
}
```

```
struct Data {  
    inner: InnerData  
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    let mut d = Data { inner: InnerData { val: 41 } };  
    d.inner.val = 42;  
}
```

# Base concept: Ownership & Borrowing



- Every piece of data is uniquely owned
- Ownership can be passed
- When owned data reaches the end of a scope, it is destructed

```
use std::fs::File;
use std::io::Write;

fn main() {
    let file = File::open("test")
        .expect("Unable to open file, bailing!");
    take_and_write_to_file(file);

    // take_and_write_to_file(file);
    // ^^ Illegal
}

fn take_and_write_to_file(mut file: File) {
    writeln!(file, "{}", "Hello #gotober!");
}
```

- Access can be borrowed (mutable and immutable)
- You can borrow mutably once
- Or multiple times immutably
- Exclusive: mutable or immutable, never both

Shared mutable state is an issue  
even single-threaded applications!

```
use std::fs::File;
use std::io::Write;

fn main() {
    let mut file = File::open("test")
        .expect("Unable to open file, bailing!");

    write_to_file(&mut file);
    write_to_file(&mut file);
}

fn write_to_file(file: &mut File) {
    writeln!(file, "{}", "Hello #gotober!");
}
```

```
fn main() {  
    let mut vector = vec![1,2,3];  
    let elem = &vector[1];  
    vector[2] = 4;  
}
```

error[E0502]: cannot borrow ``vector`` as mutable

→ src/main.rs:4:5

```
3 |         let elem = &vector[1];  
    |                                — immutable borrow occurs here  
4 |         vector[2] = 4;  
    |         ^^^^^^ mutable borrow occurs here  
5 |     }  
    |     - immutable borrow ends here
```



Rust checks validity of all references at compile-time.

```
struct Data<'a> {  
    inner: &'a i32  
}
```

```
fn return_reference<'a>() -> Data<'a> {  
    let number = 4;  
  
    Data { inner: &number }  
}
```

-> src/main.rs:8:20

```
8 |         Data { inner: &number }  
    |                        ^^^^^^^ does not live long  
9 |     }  
    | - borrowed value only lives until here
```

All Rust function signatures not only signal data types, but also mutability, ownership and interconnections between input and output types.

100, 1000, 10.000 lines of called  
code, Rust keeps these properties!

# Abstractions

Rust provides higher-level abstractions through Generics and Traits, similar to C++ Templates or Java Generics.

Concurrency  
without fear

```
let counter = Counter { count: 0 };

for _ in 1..3 {
    std::thread::spawn(move || {
        increment(&mut counter);
        // capture of moved value: `counter`
    });
}
```



```
use std::rc::Rc;
let rc = Rc::new(Counter { count: 0 });

for _ in 1..3 {
    let handle = rc.clone();
    std::thread::spawn(move || {
        // `std::rc::Rc<Counter>` cannot be sent between
        threads safely
        increment(&mut handle);
    });
}
```

```
use std::rc::Rc;
let rc = Rc::new(Counter { count: 0 });

for _ in 1..3 {
    let handle = rc.clone();
    std::thread::spawn(move || {
        increment(&mut handle.lock().unwrap());
    });
}
```

This example could be a  
concurrency bug in many  
languages, or even a double-free!

This analysis is purely static and independent of concurrency primitive! Rusts type system allows no data races.

Low-level  
control & safety!

- Borrows boil down to pointers at runtime
- Values are plain values just like in e.g. C
- Optional unsafe sub-language

*“ Safe code means you  
can take better risks.”*

– @QEDunham

Is Rust  
successful?



Moves the state of  
technology forward

Rust wraps safety techniques previously only used in research settings in a production-ready package. It brings memory-safety to environments where it was previously not possible.

Is used in sizable  
production  
environments



- Dropbox has sizable backend systems in it
- Chef Habitat is written using Rust
- Canonical: from server monitoring to middleware
- Used in several games
- Schauspiel Dortmund

<https://www.rust-lang.org/friends.html>

Attracts contribution

More than 4/5 of contributions  
to the Rust language come  
from outside Mozilla.  
The compiler has more  
than 2000 contributors.



<https://thanks.rust-lang.org/rust/all-time>



# Projects with the most reviews

01

 DEFINITELYTYPED/DEFINITELYTYPE  
0 800

02

 KUBERNETES/KUBERNETES 680

03

 HOMEBREW/HOMEBREW-CORE 580

04

 ANSIBLE/ANSIBLE 550

 NODEJS/NODE 480

 NIXOS/NIXPKGS 480

 APACHE/SPARK 450

 RUST-LANG/RUST 390

 SYMFONY/SYMFONY 340

 TENSORFLOW/TENSORFLOW 340

# Ten most-discussed repositories

 KUBERNETES/KUBERNETES 388.1K

 OPENSIFT/ORIGIN 91.1K

 CMS-SW/CMSSW 80.1K

 MICROSOFT/VSCODE 78.7K

 RUST-LANG/RUST 75.6K

 DOTNET/COREFX 75.2K

 TGSTATION/TGSTATION 74.8K

 NODEJS/NODE 66.3K

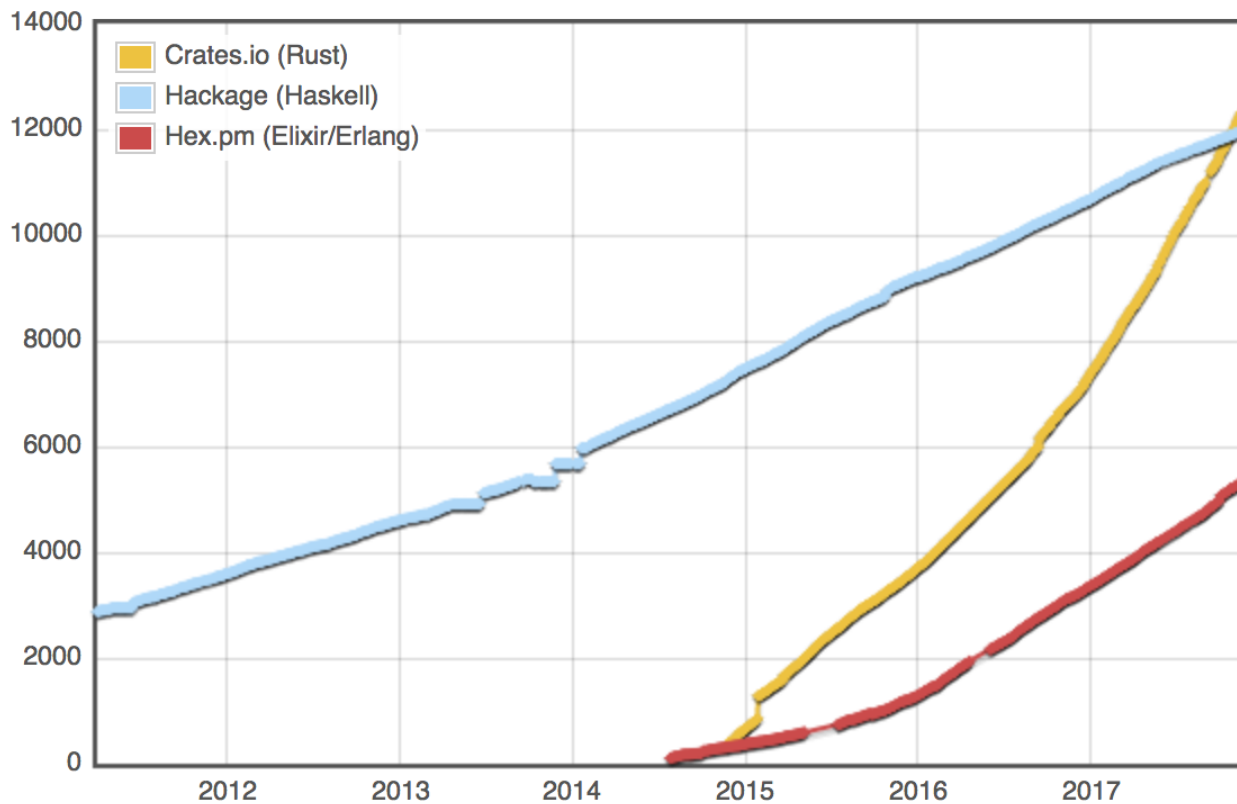
 SERVO/SERVO 54.9K

 ANSIBLE/ANSIBLE 53.9K

Has sizable growth

- Doubled in TIOBE and Redmonk indices since last year.
- This maps to increased survey respondent numbers
- Currently has 5 conferences per year
- Over 100 Meetups around the world
- Newcomers from all directions

# Module Counts



# Attracts positive Feedback

- Voted "Most loved language" on Stackoverflow 2017, 2016
- Only 1/100 of survey respondents have issues with the Rust community



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## Bless you Rustaceans! (self.rust)



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Why is Rust  
successful?



**Rust wants to be used**

Rust was always intended as a  
industry production language.  
For that reason, it was always  
developed in lockstep with  
a huge application (Servo).

Rust is approachable

- Easy to get an environment setup
- Build and dependency management part of the toolchain
- Development tooling as well, like linters
- We take pride in error messages

- Great docs through the book and a (almost) fully documented standard API
- Central YouTube channel with talks and lectures
- Maintained forums and IRC

Rust is pragmatic

- All features are driven by needs of real software
- The language is evolved with user feedback
- Consciously chooses familiar constructs
- Picks good ideas from others

Rust plays well  
with others



- Rust interfaces to other languages through the C ABI at zero cost
- Binding generators C and C++
- High-level bindings for some languages (Ruby, JavaScript)

# Rust is a great partner

- Preserves the conveniences of high-level languages in low-level land.
- Doesn't want to be the primary language at all cost
- Built for gradual adoption

# Project: Styleo

Styleo is Firefox new styling engine, taken from Servo.

- Stylo is heavily parallel and concurrent
- Multithreading without support was a huge source of bugs
- Concurrency assistance allowed a rewrite in about a year
- Rusts FFI allowed easy integration

Beyond  
plain code

# Commitment to stability

- Rust is released every 6 weeks
- Rust is backwards-compatible, with huge machinery to ensure that
- Currently at version 1.21.0

# Commitment to stability

- Rust stable allows no use of unstable features
- These are only available in nightly builds
- Features that are not ready for wide use are not released for wide use.

# Maturity

- Code generation is provided through LLVM
- No runtime, no runtime bugs
- Very conservative approach to stdlib adoption



# Cross-capabilities

- rustc is a cross-compiler by default and the whole toolchain is aware
- Almost-no-setup cross compilation! (getting better)
- Rust supports embedded and IoT usecases
- Yes, we WASM

# Governance & Care

All changes go through  
an open RFC process!

Mozilla has great experience with open discussion and processes and it shows!

Medium time to merged  
PR for changes: 6 days!

Supporting  
commercial users

- regular interviews with prod users, to hear about their issues
- the core team can always be spoken to
- consulting, development and training available, through integer32 and asquera.

Have a question?  
[community-team@rust-lang.org](mailto:community-team@rust-lang.org)

Rust brings safe programming to targets where it was unfeasible before while also bringing new things to the table to compete with other safe languages.



You can't  
spell trust  
without Rust