

Rust and Unicode

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Firefox is using encoding_rs since 56.0 release, it means you are now using Rust in Firefox.

Rust is a systems programming language that has many benefits, one is how Unicode-friendly it is.

Natively, Rust supports codepoint-based numeric ``char`` type that represents Unicode Scalar Values.

Strings are represented natively in UTF-8 (``str``), which can be viewed as a sequence of bytes or chars, as needed.

There are many Unicode-related *cargo* packages already available on *crates.io*, the Rust package host.

UNIC (Unicode and Internationalization Crates for Rust) has the ambitious goal to be ICU for Rust.

Many UCD character properties are already made available in UNIC, as well as

Unicode Bidirectional Algorithm, Normalization Forms, and IDNA solutions.

UNIC is expanding with new components and looking for new contributors to join the project.

<https://github.com/behnam/rust-unic>

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56.0

Firefox Release

September 28, 2017

Version 56.0, first offered to Release channel users on September 28, 2017

Today's release gives Firefox users a better experience with features like Firefox Screenshots, Send Tabs, and more control over the browser with an improved (and searchable) preferences section. It also includes incremental performance improvements that move us closer to our biggest release of the year, coming in November.

We'd like to extend a special thank you to all of the [new Mozillians](#) who contributed to this release of Firefox!

★ new

Launched [Firefox Screenshots](#), a feature that lets users take, save, and share screenshots without leaving the browser

Added support for [address form autofill](#) (en-US only)

Updated Preferences

- Added search tool so users can find a specific setting quickly
- Reorganized preferences so users can more easily scan settings
- Rewrote descriptions so users can better understand choices and how they affect browsing
- Revised data collection choices so they align with [updated Privacy Notice](#) and [data collection strategy](#)

Media opened in a background tab will not play until the tab is selected

Improved [Send Tabs](#) feature of Sync for iOS and Android, and Send Tabs can be discovered even by users without a Firefox Account

✓ fixed

Various [security fixes](#)

↻ changed

Replaced character encoding converters with a new [Encoding Standard](#)-compliant implementation written in Rust

encoding_rs

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encoding_rs an implementation of the (non-JavaScript parts of) the [Encoding Standard](#) written in Rust and used in Gecko (starting with Firefox 56).

Functionality

Due to the Gecko use case, encoding_rs supports decoding to and encoding from UTF-16 in addition to supporting the usual Rust use case of decoding to and encoding from UTF-8. Additionally, the API has been designed to be FFI-friendly to accommodate the C++ side of Gecko.

Specifically, encoding_rs does the following:

- Decodes a stream of bytes in an Encoding Standard-defined character encoding into valid aligned native-endian in-RAM UTF-16 (units of `u16` / `char16_t`).
- Encodes a stream of potentially-invalid aligned native-endian in-RAM UTF-16 (units of `u16` / `char16_t`) into a sequence of bytes in an Encoding Standard-defined character encoding as if the lone surrogates had been replaced with the REPLACEMENT CHARACTER before performing the encode. (Gecko's UTF-16 is potentially invalid.)
- Decodes a stream of bytes in an Encoding Standard-defined character encoding into valid UTF-8.
- Encodes a stream of valid UTF-8 into a sequence of bytes in an Encoding Standard-defined character encoding. (Rust's UTF-8 is guaranteed-valid.)
- Does the above in streaming (input and output split across multiple buffers) and non-streaming (whole input in a single buffer and whole output in a single buffer) variants.
- Avoids copying (borrows) when possible in the non-streaming cases when decoding to or encoding from UTF-8.
- Resolves textual labels that identify character encodings in protocol text into type-safe objects representing those encodings conceptually.
- Maps the type-safe encoding objects onto strings suitable for returning from `document.characterSet`.
- Validates UTF-8 (in common instruction set scenarios a bit faster for Web workloads than the standard library; hopefully will get upstreamed some day) and ASCII.

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API Documentation

Encoding

Living Standard — Last Updated 2 October 2017



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Tests:

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Abstract

The Encoding Standard defines encodings and their JavaScript API.

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Featuring

- zero-cost abstractions
- move semantics
- guaranteed memory safety
- threads without data races
- trait-based generics
- pattern matching
- type inference
- minimal runtime
- efficient C bindings

```
fn main() {
    let greetings = ["Hello", "Hola", "Bonjour",
                    "Ciao", "こんにちは", "안녕하세요",
                    "Cześć", "Olá", "Здравствуйте",
                    "Chào bạn", "您好", "Hallo"];

    for (num, greeting) in greetings.iter().enumerate() {
        print!("{ } : ", greeting);
        match num {
            0 => println!("This code is editable and runnable");
            1 => println!("¡Este código es editable y ejecutable");
            2 => println!("Ce code est modifiable et exécutable");
            3 => println!("Questo codice è modificabile ed eseguibile");
            4 => println!("このコードは編集して実行出来ます");
            5 => println!("여기에서 코드를 수정하고 실행할 수 있습니다");
            6 => println!("Ten kod można edytować oraz uruchomić");
            7 => println!("Este código é editável e executável");
            8 => println!("Этот код можно отредактировать и запустить");
            9 => println!("Bạn có thể edit và run code trực tiếp");
            10 => println!("这段代码是可以编辑并且能够运行的");
            11 => println!("Dieser Code kann bearbeitet und ausgeführt werden");
            _ => {},
        }
    }
}
```

Run

[More examples](#)

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i Cargo, Rust's Package Manager

Installing

Install Stable Rust and Cargo

The easiest way to get Cargo is to get the current stable release of [Rust](#) by using the `rustup` script:

```
$ curl -sSf https://static.rust-lang.org/rustup.sh | sh
```

After this, you can use the `rustup` command to also install [beta](#) or [nightly](#) channels for Rust and Cargo.

Install Nightly Cargo

To install just Cargo, the current recommended installation method is through the official nightly builds. Note that Cargo will also require that [Rust](#) is already installed on the system.

Platform	64-bit	32-bit
Linux binaries	tar.gz	tar.gz
MacOS binaries	tar.gz	tar.gz
Windows binaries	tar.gz	tar.gz

Build and Install Cargo from Source

Alternatively, you can [build Cargo from source](#).

Let's get started

To start a new project with Cargo, use `cargo new`:

```
$ cargo new hello_world --bin
```

We're passing `--bin` because we're making a binary program; if we were making a library, we'd leave it off.

Unicode and Rust

The Unicode Standard, and related specifications, are a complex system with interdependent terms and properties. Here's a summary for working with Unicode when programming in Rust.

Basic Unicode Concepts

- **Unicode Abstract Characters** are abstract units of information used for the organization, control, or representation of textual data.
- **Unicode Code Points** are integer values in the **Unicode codespace**: numbers between `0` (zero) and `0x10_FFFF`, inclusive.
- **Unicode Scalar Values** are integer values in a subset of *Unicode Code Points*: the *Unicode codespace* excluding high-surrogate and low-surrogate code points: `U+D800..U+DFFF`, inclusive.
- **Unicode Encoded Characters** are *Unicode Scalar Values* assigned to a *Unicode Abstract Characters* by the Unicode Standard. Some *Unicode Abstract Characters* are represented with a sequence of **Unicode Encoded Characters**.

Unicode Scalar Values marked as *noncharacters* or *reserved* (a.k.a *unassigned*) are not considered *Unicode Encoded Characters*. Therefore, *Unicode Scalar Values* can have one of the following *assignment* statuses:

- **assigned character**, code points that are marked to be an *Encoded Character*,
Character*, or
- **unassigned** or **reserved**, code points that can become an *Encoded Character* in the future.

In contrast to Unicode Code Points and Unicode Scalar Values (which are sets of numbers written in stone), the set of Unicode Encoded Characters (a subset of Scalar Values) expands with every version of Unicode. Figure below shows the number of Unicode Assigned Characters over time, from 1991 to 2017.





Primitive Type char

Methods

Trait Implementations

std

Primitive Types

array

bool

char

f32

f64

fn

i128

i16

i32

i64

i8

isize

pointer

reference

slice

str

tuple

u128

u16

u32

u64

u8

usize

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Primitive Type char

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[-] A character type.

The `char` type represents a single character. More specifically, since 'character' isn't a well-defined concept in Unicode, `char` is a 'Unicode scalar value', which is similar to, but not the same as, a 'Unicode code point'.

This documentation describes a number of methods and trait implementations on the `char` type. For technical reasons, there is additional, separate documentation in [the `std::char` module](#) as well.

Representation

`char` is always four bytes in size. This is a different representation than a given character would have as part of a `String`. For example:

```
let v = vec!['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o'];

// five elements times four bytes for each element
assert_eq!(20, v.len() * std::mem::size_of::<char>());

let s = String::from("hello");

// five elements times one byte per element
assert_eq!(5, s.len() * std::mem::size_of::<u8>());
```

Run

As always, remember that a human intuition for 'character' may not map to Unicode's definitions. For example, despite looking similar, the `é` character is one Unicode code point while `Ë` is two Unicode code points:

```
let mut chars = "é".chars();
// U+00e9: 'latin small letter e with acute'
assert_eq!(Some('\u{00e9}'), chars.next());
assert_eq!(None, chars.next());

let mut chars = "Ë".chars();
// U+0065: 'latin small letter e'
assert_eq!(Some('\u{0065}'), chars.next());
// U+0301: 'combining acute accent'
assert_eq!(Some('\u{0301}'), chars.next());
assert_eq!(None, chars.next());
```

Run

This means that the contents of the first string above *will* fit into a `char` while the contents of the second string *will not*. Trying to create a `char` literal with the contents of the second string gives an error:



Primitive Type `str`

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Primitive Type `str`

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[-] String slices.

The `str` type, also called a 'string slice', is the most primitive string type. It is usually seen in its borrowed form, `&str`. It is also the type of string literals, `&'static str`.

Strings slices are always valid UTF-8.

This documentation describes a number of methods and trait implementations on the `str` type. For technical reasons, there is additional, separate documentation in the `std::str` module as well.

Examples

String literals are string slices:

```
let hello = "Hello, world!";

// with an explicit type annotation
let hello: &'static str = "Hello, world!";
```

Run

They are `'static` because they're stored directly in the final binary, and so will be valid for the `'static` duration.

Representation

A `&str` is made up of two components: a pointer to some bytes, and a length. You can look at these with the `as_ptr` and `len` methods:

```
use std::slice;
use std::str;

let story = "Once upon a time...";

let ptr = story.as_ptr();
let len = story.len();

// story has nineteen bytes
assert_eq!(19, len);

// We can re-build a str out of ptr and len. This is all unsafe because
// we are responsible for making sure the two components are valid:
let s = unsafe {
    // First, we build a &[u8]
```

Run



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unicode-xid crates.io v0.1.0

Determine whether characters have the `XID_Start` or `XID_Continue` properties according to Unicode Standard Annex #31.

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This crate provides functions for normalization of Unicode strings, including Canonical and Compatible Decomposition and Recomposition, as described in Unicode Standard Annex #15.

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<https://github.com/behnam/rust-unic>

UNIC is a project to develop components for the Rust programming language to provide high-quality and easy-to-use crates for Unicode and Internationalization data and algorithms. In other words, it's like ICU for Rust, written completely in Rust, mostly in *safe* mode, but also benefiting from performance gains of *unsafe* mode when possible.

Project Goal

The goal for UNIC is to provide access to all levels of Unicode and Internationalization functionalities, starting from Unicode character properties, to Unicode algorithms for processing text, and more advanced (locale-based) processes based on Unicode Common Locale Data Repository (CLDR).

Other standards and best practices, like IETF RFCs, are also implemented, as needed by Unicode/CLDR components, or common demand.

Project Status

At the moment, in mid-2017, UNIC is under heavy development: the API is updated frequently on `master` branch, and

Components and their Organization

UNIC *Components* have a hierarchical organization, starting from the `unic` root, containing the *major components*. Each major component, in turn, may host one or more *minor components*.

API of major components are designed for the end-users of the libraries, and are expected to be extensively documented and accompanied with code examples.

In contrast to major components, minor components act as providers of data and algorithms for the higher-level, and their API is expected to be more performing, and possibly providing multiple ways of accessing the data.

The UNIC Super-Crate

The `unic` super-crate is a collection of all UNIC (major) components, providing an easy way of access to all functionalities, when all or many are needed, instead of importing components one-by-one. This crate ensures all components imported are compatible in algorithms and consistent data-wise.

Main code examples and cross-component integration tests are implemented under this crate.

Major Components

- `unic::ucd` : Unicode Character Database. `crates.io v0.6.0`
- `unic::bidi` : Unicode Bidirectional Algorithm (UAX#9). `crates.io v0.6.0`
- `unic::normal` : Unicode Normalization Forms (UAX#15). `crates.io v0.6.0`
- `unic::idna` : Unicode IDNA Compatibility Processing (UTS#46). `crates.io v0.6.0`

Code Organization: Combined Repository

Some of the reasons to have a combined repository these components are:

- **Faster development.** Implementing new Unicode/18n components very often depends on other (lower level) components, which in turn may need adjustments—expose new API, fix bugs, etc—that can be developed, tested and reviewed in less cycles and shorter times.
- **Implementation Integrity.** Multiple dependencies on other components mean that the components need to, to some level, agree with each other. Many Unicode algorithms, composed from smaller ones, assume that all parts of the algorithm is using the same version of Unicode data. Violation of this assumption can cause inconsistencies and hard-to-catch bugs. In a combined repository, it's possible to reach a better integrity during development, as well as with cross-component (integration) tests.
- **Pay for what you need.** Small components (basic crates), which cross-depend only on what they need, allow users to only bring in what they consume in their project.

Crate unic

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Crate unic

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[-] UNIC: Unicode and Internationalization Crates for Rust

The `unic` super-crate (this) is a collection of all UNIC components, providing an easy way of access to all functionalities, when all or many are needed, instead of importing components one-by-one, and ensuring all components imported are compatible in algorithms and consistent data-wise.

Components

- `ucd`: Unicode Character Database.
- `bidi`: Unicode Bidirectional Algorithm (USA#9).
- `normal`: Unicode Normalization Forms (USA#15).
- `idna`: Unicode IDNA Compatibility Processing (UTS#46).

A Basic Example

```
use unic::bidi::BidiInfo;
use unic::normal::StrNormalForm;
use unic::ucd::{Age, BidiClass, CharAge, CharBidiClass, StrBidiClass, UnicodeVersion, is_cased};
use unic::ucd::normal::compose;

#[cfg_attr(rustfmt, rustfmt_skip)]
#[test]
fn test_sample() {

    // Age

    assert_eq!(Age::of('A').unwrap().actual(), UnicodeVersion { major: 1, minor: 1, micro: 0 });
    assert_eq!(Age::of('\u{A0000}'), None);
    assert_eq!(
        Age::of('\u{10FFFF}').unwrap().actual(),
        UnicodeVersion { major: 2, minor: 0, micro: 0 }
    );

    if let Some(age) = 'A'.age() {
        assert_eq!(age.actual().major, 9);
        assert_eq!(age.actual().minor, 0);
    }
}
```