

# PLC 2026, Lecture 11, 17 February 2026

## Enumerated types

- Simplest form, choice of constants

```
In [2]: enum IpAddrKind {  
        V4,  
        V6,  
    }  
  
    let four = IpAddrKind::V4;  
    let six = IpAddrKind::V6;
```

```
In [ ]: four
```

```
[E0277] Error: `IpAddrKind` doesn't implement `Debug`
```

- Add special directive to get around the `Debug` issue

```
In [4]: #[derive(Debug)]  
enum IpAddrKind {  
    V4,  
    V6,  
}  
  
let four = IpAddrKind::V4;  
let six = IpAddrKind::V6;
```

```
In [5]: four
```

```
Out[5]: V4
```

```
In [ ]: println!("{four}");
```

```
[E0277] Error: `IpAddrKind` doesn't implement `std::fmt::Display`  
  [command_6:1:1]  
  1 | println!("{four}");  
    |               ^  
    |               `IpAddrKind` cannot be formatted with the default formatter  
  Note: help: the trait `std::fmt::Display` is not implemented for `IpAddrKind`
```

```
In [7]: println!("{four:?}");
```

```
V4
```

- Options can be parameterized

```
In [8]: #[derive(Debug)]  
enum IpAddr {  
    V4(String),  
    V6(String),  
}  
  
let home = IpAddr::V4(String::from("127.0.0.1"));  
let loopback = IpAddr::V6(String::from("::1"));
```

```
In [9]: loopback
```

```
Out[9]: V6("::1")
```

- Options can have different types of associated values

```
In [11]: #[derive(Debug)]  
enum IpAddr {  
    V4(u8, u8, u8, u8),  
    V6(String),  
}  
  
let home = IpAddr::V4(127, 0, 0, 1);  
let loopback = IpAddr::V6(String::from("::1"));
```

```
In [12]: home
```



```
In [19]: let x: i8 = 5;
let y: Option<i8> = Some(5);

let sum = x + y.unwrap();
```

```
In [20]: y
```

```
Out[20]: Some(5)
```

```
In [21]: y.unwrap()
```

```
Out[21]: 5
```

- Unwrapping `None` is an error

```
In [22]: absent_number.unwrap()
```

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:158:15:
called `Option::unwrap()` on a `None` value
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: core::panicking::panic
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:150:5
 3: core::option::unwrap_failed
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/option.rs:2175:5
 4: run_user_code_18
 5: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 6: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 7: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

## Matching

- `match` operator selects amongst optional values in an `enum`

```
In [23]: enum Coin {
    Penny,
    Nickel,
    Dime,
    Quarter,
}

fn value_in_cents(coin: Coin) -> u8 {
    match coin {
        Coin::Penny => {
            println!("Lucky penny!");
            1
        }
        Coin::Nickel => 5,
        Coin::Dime => 10,
        Coin::Quarter => 25,
    }
}
```

```
In [24]: let c = Coin::Penny;
value_in_cents(c)
```

```
Lucky penny!
```

```
Out[24]: 1
```

```
In [25]: let c = Coin::Quarter;
value_in_cents(c)
```

```
Out[25]: 25
```

- `match` must return a consistent type

```
In [ ]: let z = match y {
    None => None,
    Some(x) => y.unwrap(),
};
```

```
[E0308] Error: `match` arms have incompatible types
[command_26:1:1]
1  let z = match y {
2    None => None,
3    Some(x) => y.unwrap(),
4  };
      this is found to be of type `Option<_>`
      expected `Option<_>`, found `i8`
`match` arms have incompatible types
```

- This works

```
In [27]: fn plus_one(x: Option<i32>) -> Option<i32> {
      match x {
        None => None,
        Some(i) => Some(i + 1),
      }
    }

let five = Some(5);
let six = plus_one(five);
let none = plus_one(None);
```

```
In [28]: five
```

```
Out[28]: Some(5)
```

```
In [29]: six
```

```
Out[29]: Some(6)
```

```
In [30]: none
```

```
Out[30]: None
```

- Can pattern match and operate within an enum
- All possible values must be covered -- error tells you which value was missed

```
In [ ]: fn plus_one(x: Option<i32>) -> Option<i32> {
      match x {
        Some(i) => Some(i + 1),
      }
    }
```

```
[E0004] Error: non-exhaustive patterns: `None` not covered
[command_31:1:1]
2  match x {
3    Some(i) => Some(i + 1),
      pattern `None` not covered
      help: ensure that all possible cases are being handled by adding a match arm with a wildcard pattern or an explicit pattern as shown: `None => todo!()`
```

```
In [32]: fn plus_one(x: Option<i32>) -> Option<i32> {
      match x {
        None => None,
        Some(i) => Some(i + 1),
      }
    }
```

- `match` is not restricted to finite number of options
- `other` is a catch-all pattern (`other` is not a keyword, can use any label)

```
In [33]: let dice_roll = 3;
      match dice_roll {
        3 => add_fancy_hat(),
        7 => remove_fancy_hat(),
        other => move_player(other),
      }

fn add_fancy_hat() {println!("Add fancy hat");}
```

```
fn remove_fancy_hat() {println!("Remove fancy hat");}
fn move_player(num_spaces: u8) {println!("Move {} spaces", num_spaces);}
```

Add fancy hat

```
In [34]: let dice_roll = 7;
match dice_roll {
    3 => add_fancy_hat(),
    7 => remove_fancy_hat(),
    other => move_player(other),
}

fn add_fancy_hat() {println!("Add fancy hat");}
fn remove_fancy_hat() {println!("Remove fancy hat");}
fn move_player(num_spaces: u8) {println!("Move {} spaces", num_spaces);}
```

Remove fancy hat

```
In [35]: let dice_roll = 9;
match dice_roll {
    3 => add_fancy_hat(),
    7 => remove_fancy_hat(),
    other => move_player(other),
}

fn add_fancy_hat() {println!("Add fancy hat");}
fn remove_fancy_hat() {println!("Remove fancy hat");}
fn move_player(num_spaces: u8) {println!("Move {} spaces", num_spaces);}
```

Move 9 spaces

- If we don't need the value, can use anonymous `_` instead of a label

```
In [36]: let dice_roll = 9;
match dice_roll {
    3 => add_fancy_hat(),
    7 => remove_fancy_hat(),
    _ => reroll(),
}

fn add_fancy_hat() {println!("Add fancy hat");}
fn remove_fancy_hat() {println!("Remove fancy hat");}
fn reroll() {println!("Reroll");}
```

Reroll

## Panic

- Rust "panics" when it encounters an unrecoverable error at run-time, such as an index out of bounds

```
In [37]: fn main() {
    let v = vec![1, 2, 3];

    v[99];
}
```

```
In [38]: main()
```

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:60:6:
index out of bounds: the len is 3 but the index is 99
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: core::panicking::panic_bounds_check
      at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:271:5
 3: <unknown>
 4: <unknown>
 5: <unknown>
 6: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 7: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 8: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

- Observe what happens if we use an array instead of a vector
- Rust is able to catch the potential panic at compile time!

```
In [ ]: fn main() {
    let v = [1, 2, 3];

    v[99];
}
```

```
[unconditional_panic] Error: this operation will panic at runtime
└─ [command_39:1:1]
  4 └─ v[99];
      └─ index out of bounds: the length is 3 but the index is 99
```

- However, if we obfuscate the array access, we achieve a run-time panic

```
In [40]: fn check(x:usize) {
        let v = [1, 2, 3];

        v[x];
    }

    fn main(){
        let x:usize = 22;
        check(x)
    }
```

```
In [41]: main()
```

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:64:5:
index out of bounds: the len is 3 but the index is 22
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: core::panicking::panic_bounds_check
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:271:5
 3: <unknown>
 4: <unknown>
 5: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 6: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 7: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

- We can directly invoke `panic()` with an error message
- Useful if code detects an unrecoverable situation and wants to abort

```
In [42]: fn main() {
        panic!("Crash and burn!");
    }
```

```
In [43]: main()
```

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:58:5:
Crash and burn!
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: <unknown>
 3: <unknown>
 4: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 5: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 6: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

## Result

- An enum to return informative error messages

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

- This code generates an error if `hello.txt` is not found in the current directory
- If the file can be opened, returns file handle for `hello.txt`

```
In [44]: use std::fs::File;

    fn main() {
        let greeting_file_result = File::open("hello.txt");

        let greeting_file = match greeting_file_result {
            Ok(file) => file,
```

```
    Err(error) => panic!("Problem opening the file: {:?}", error),
};
}
```

In [45]: main()

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:63:23:
Problem opening the file: Os { code: 2, kind: NotFound, message: "No such file or directory" }
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: <unknown>
 3: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 4: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 5: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

- [Created hello.txt ]
- Here is what happens if hello.txt opens fine

In [46]: use std::fs::File;

```
fn main() {
    let greeting_file_result = File::open("hello.txt");

    let greeting_file = match greeting_file_result {
        Ok(file) => {println!("Opened hello.txt"); file},
        Err(error) => panic!("Problem opening the file: {:?}", error),
    };
}
```

In [47]: main()

Opened hello.txt

Out[47]: ()

- [Deleted hello.txt ]
- Can match on type of error
- Can have nested (chained) errors

In [48]: use std::fs::File;
use std::io::ErrorKind;

```
fn main() {
    let greeting_file_result = File::open("hello.txt");

    let greeting_file = match greeting_file_result {
        Ok(file) => file,
        Err(error) => match error.kind() {
            ErrorKind::NotFound => match File::create("hello.txt") {
                Ok(fc) => {println!("Created file!"); fc},
                Err(e) => panic!("Problem creating the file: {:?}", e),
            },
            other_error => {
                panic!("Problem opening the file: {:?}", other_error);
            }
        },
    };
}
```

In [49]: main()

Created file!

Out[49]: ()

- [Deleted hello.txt ]
- Shortcut: unwrap() extracts the match for the OK branch

In [50]: use std::fs::File;

```
fn main() {
    let greeting_file = File::open("hello.txt").unwrap();
}
```

In [51]: main()

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:58:49:
called `Result::unwrap()` on an `Err` value: Os { code: 2, kind: NotFound, message: "No such file or directory" }
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: core::result::unwrap_failed
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/result.rs:1867:5
 3: <unknown>
 4: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 5: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 6: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

- `expect()` is triggered by the `Err` branch and panics with a message
- If no error, `unwrap()` is invoked implicitly, see later

```
In [52]: use std::fs::File;

fn main() {
    let greeting_file = File::open("hello.txt")
        .expect("hello.txt should be included in this project");
}
```

```
In [53]: main()
```

```
thread '<unnamed>' (486057) panicked at src/lib.rs:59:10:
hello.txt should be included in this project: Os { code: 2, kind: NotFound, message: "No such file or directory" }
stack backtrace:
 0: __rustc::rust_begin_unwind
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/std/src/panicking.rs:689:5
 1: core::panicking::panic_fmt
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/panicking.rs:80:14
 2: core::result::unwrap_failed
    at /rustc/254b59607d4417e9dffbc307138ae5c86280fe4c/library/core/src/result.rs:1867:5
 3: <unknown>
 4: evcxr::runtime::Runtime::run_loop
 5: evcxr::runtime::runtime_hook
 6: evcxr_jupyter::main
note: Some details are omitted, run with `RUST_BACKTRACE=full` for a verbose backtrace.
```

## Propagating errors

- The code below first tries to open `hello.txt`
- If this succeeds, it tries to read `username` from the file
- If either the file open or the file read fails, `Err(e)` is propagated to caller

```
In [54]: use std::fs::File;
use std::io::{self, Read};

fn read_username_from_file() -> Result<String, io::Error> {
    let username_file_result = File::open("hello.txt");

    let mut username_file = match username_file_result {
        Ok(file) => file,
        Err(e) => return Err(e),
    };

    let mut username = String::new();

    match username_file.read_to_string(&mut username) {
        Ok(_) => Ok(username),
        Err(e) => Err(e),
    }
}
```

- [Created `hello.txt` with contents `"Hello world"`]
- The example above, without an error
- `expect()` implicitly invokes `unwrap()` and file handle is stored in `greeting_file`

```
In [55]: use std::fs::File;
use std::io::{self, Read};

fn main() {
    let mut greeting_file = File::open("hello.txt")
        .expect("hello.txt should be included in this project");

    let mut username = String::new();

    greeting_file.read_to_string(&mut username);
}
```

```
println!("{}",username);  
}
```

In [56]: `main()`

Hello world

Out[56]: `()`