

Software Hardware List

Chapter number	Software required (With version)	Free/Proprietary	If proprietary, can code testing be performed using a trial version	If proprietary, then cost of the software	Download links to the software	Hardware specifications	OS required
1 - 12	rustc and cargo	Free			rustup.rs	x64 CPU, 4 GB RAM	Windows, Linux, MacOS
1 - 12	Visual Studio Code	Free			code.visualstudio.com	x64 CPU, 4 GB RAM	Windows 7 or later, Linux, or MacOS 10.9+
1 - 12	Rust for Visual Studio Code	Free			marketplace.visualstudio.com	x64 CPU, 4 GB RAM	Windows 7 or later, Linux, or MacOS 10.9+

Detailed installation steps (software-wise):

Follow the instructions listed on rustup.rs for your operating system to set up the basic tools. Once installed, open a terminal (or command window on Windows) to check whether the required binaries are available by typing `cargo` and confirming with return. The output should roughly match:

```
$ cargo
Rust's package manager
```

```
USAGE:
  cargo [OPTIONS] [SUBCOMMAND]
```

```
OPTIONS:
  -V, --version Print version info and exit
  --list List installed commands
  --explain <CODE> Run `rustc --explain CODE`
  -v, --verbose Use verbose output (-vv very verbose/build.rs output)
  -q, --quiet No output printed to stdout
  --color <WHEN> Coloring: auto, always, never
  --frozen Require Cargo.lock and cache are up to date
  --locked Require Cargo.lock is up to date
  -Z <FLAG>... Unstable (nightly-only) flags to Cargo, see 'cargo -Z
```

```
help' for details
-h, --help Prints help information
```

Some common cargo commands are (see all commands with `--list`):

```
build Compile the current package
check Analyze the current package and report errors, but don't build
object files
clean Remove the target directory
doc Build this package's and its dependencies' documentation
new Create a new cargo package
init Create a new cargo package in an existing directory
run Build and execute src/main.rs
test Run the tests
bench Run the benchmarks
update Update dependencies listed in Cargo.lock
search Search registry for crates
publish Package and upload this package to the registry
install Install a Rust binary. Default location is $HOME/.cargo/bin
uninstall Uninstall a Rust binary
```

See 'cargo help <command>' for more information on a specific command.

Obtain the code and change into the directory with:

```
$ cd path/to/directory/Hands-On-Data-Structures-and-Algorithms-with-Rust
```

The code is provided separately for each chapter, but the entire directory is a cargo workspace with individual projects. Each project is a library project, so in order to run the code it has to be *tested*. Testing will also download and build any dependencies as well as build the projects. Do that by running:

```
$ cargo test
```

Or run each project individually by issuing:

```
$ cargo test -p ch1
```

Alternatively, there are benchmarks to create performance indications. Run those with:

```
$ cargo bench
```

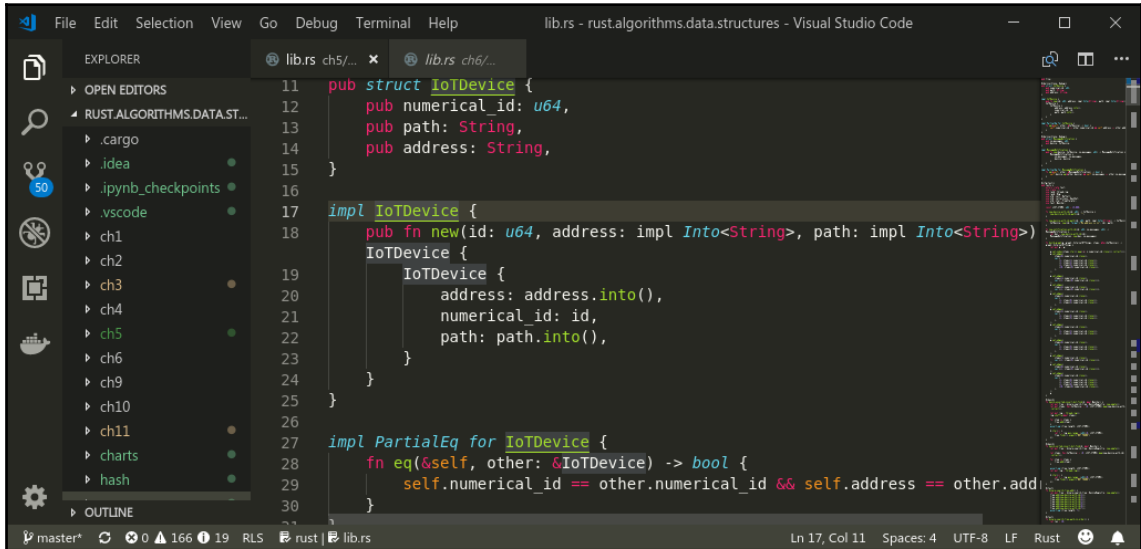
... OR

```
$ cargo bench -p ch1
```

respectively.

Start Visual Studio Code and open the directory in order to visually edit and look at the

code, the Rust extension from the marketplace will add syntax highlighting and provide auto-completion. This is what Visual Studio Code could look like when the code workspace is loaded:



Of course, Visual Studio Code is only one editor for Rust, there are others (<https://intellij-rust.github.io/>) that might fit your development habits better.

With that said, edit and re-run the code as needed. Rust is a tricky language and it's easier to learn if you are getting deep into the weeds and try out your ideas. Run the tests and see what your changes did!