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Example of Modularity with Database Drivers in Rust

Here's an example demonstrating modularity using `pgsql`, `mysql`, and `sqlite` as drivers in Rust, with a trait acting as a frontend.

```
// Define a trait for database operations
trait Database {
    fn connect(&self) -> Result<(), String>;
    fn query(&self, sql: &str) -> Result<Vec<String>, String>;
}

// Implement the Database trait for PostgreSQL
struct Pgsql {
    url: String,
}

impl Database for Pgsql {
    fn connect(&self) -> Result<(), String> {
        println!("Connecting to PgSQL database: {}", self.url);
        // Add PgSQL connection logic here
        Ok(())
    }

    fn query(&self, sql: &str) -> Result<Vec<String>, String> {
        println!("Executing PgSQL query: {}", sql);
        // Add PgSQL query execution logic here
        Ok(vec!["PgSQL Result".to_string()])
    }
}

// Implement the Database trait for MySQL
struct Mysql {
    url: String,
}

impl Database for Mysql {
    fn connect(&self) -> Result<(), String> {
        println!("Connecting to MySQL database: {}", self.url);
        // Add MySQL connection logic here
        Ok(())
    }

    fn query(&self, sql: &str) -> Result<Vec<String>, String> {
        println!("Executing MySQL query: {}", sql);
        // Add MySQL query execution logic here
        Ok(vec!["MySQL Result".to_string()])
    }
}
```

```
// Implement the Database trait for SQLite
struct Sqlite {
    path: String,
}

impl Database for Sqlite {
    fn connect(&self) -> Result<(), String> {
        println!("Connecting to SQLite database: {}", self.path);
        // Add SQLite connection logic here
        Ok(())
    }

    fn query(&self, sql: &str) -> Result<Vec<String>, String> {
        println!("Executing SQLite query: {}", sql);
        // Add SQLite query execution logic here
        Ok(vec!["SQLite Result".to_string()])
    }
}

// Frontend struct that uses the Database trait
struct App {
    db: Box<dyn Database>,
}

impl App {
    fn new(db: Box<dyn Database>) -> Self {
        App { db }
    }

    fn run_query(&self, sql: &str) -> Result<Vec<String>, String> {
        self.db.connect()?;
        self.db.query(sql)
    }
}

fn main() {
    // Example usage:
    let pg_db = Pgsql { url: "localhost:5432".to_string() };
    let mysql_db = Mysql { url: "localhost:3306".to_string() };
    let sqlite_db = Sqlite { path: "/tmp/test.db".to_string() };

    // Create an app instance with PgSQL
    let app_pgsql = App::new(Box::new(pg_db));
    println!("{:?}", app_pgsql.run_query("SELECT * FROM users"));

    // Create an app instance with MySQL
    let app_mysql = App::new(Box::new(mysql_db));
    println!("{:?}", app_mysql.run_query("SELECT * FROM users"));

    // Create an app instance with SQLite
    let app_sqlite = App::new(Box::new(sqlite_db));
    println!("{:?}", app_sqlite.run_query("SELECT * FROM users"));
}
```

Explanation:

- **Database Trait**: The `Database` trait defines the common operations that all database drivers must implement: `connect` and `query`. This acts as the "frontend"[1].
- **Concrete Implementations**: The `Pgsql`, `Mysql`, and `Sqlite` structs provide concrete implementations of the `Database` trait for their respective databases[1]. These implementations include placeholder logic for connecting to and querying the databases.
- **App Struct**: The `App` struct takes a `Box<dyn Database>` which allows it to work with any type that implements the `Database` trait. This enables you to switch out the database driver at runtime[1].
- **Dynamic Dispatch**: `Box<dyn Database>` utilizes dynamic dispatch, meaning the specific implementation of `connect` and `query` that is called is determined at runtime. This is essential for selecting the database driver at runtime[1].
- **User Selection**: In the `main` function, you can see how different database drivers can be instantiated and passed to the `App` struct. In a real application, you might use a configuration file or environment variable to determine which driver to use.

Notes:

- This example provides a basic structure. You'll need to add the actual database connection and query logic using appropriate Rust libraries for each database (e.g., `tokio-postgres` for PostgreSQL[2]).
- Consider using an ORM (Object-Relational Mapper) like Diesel or Quaint for more complex database interactions[2]. ORMs provide a higher-level abstraction over raw SQL queries.
- For asynchronous operations, explore async traits and async database drivers[3].
- Error handling should be more robust in a production environment.
- This design pattern aligns with the Data Access Layer pattern, which involves creating abstractions that map business logic to data storage[4].
- Traits are Rust's sole notion of interface[1].
- Design patterns make software more modular and maintainable[5].

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