



# Rust SGX SDK: Towards Memory Safety in Intel SGX

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# PART 1

**Why SGX ?**

# Why SGX

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## War in memory

- Ring 3 vs Ring 0
- Ring 0 vs Hypervisor (Ring -1)
- Hypervisor vs SMM (Ring -2)
- SMM vs AMT/ME (Ring -3)



# Why SGX

## War in memory



Maxim Goryachy  
@h0t\_max



Game over! We (I and [@\\_markel\\_\\_](#)) have obtained fully functional JTAG for Intel CSME via USB DCI. [#intelme](#) [#jtag](#) [#inteldci](#)

```
0 0 0 1 SKL_THUNK0 SKL_THUNK 0x0A76D013 JTAG 0/0/ -/- Yes
1 0 0 0 SPT0 SPT C1 0x9A506013 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
2 0 1 0 SPT_MASTER0 SPT_MASTER A0 0x02080001 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
3 0 2 0 SPT_TPSB0 SPT_TPSB A0 0x00082003 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
4 0 3 0 SPT_NPK0 SPT_NPK A0 0x00082007 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
5 0 4 0 SPT_RGNTOP0 SPT_RGNTOP A0 0x02080003 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
6 0 5 0 SPT_PARCSMEA0 SPT_PARCSMEA A0 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
7 0 6 0 P0 LMT2 A0 0x28289013 JTAG 0/1/ 0/0 Yes
8 0 7 0 SPT_PARCSMEA_RETIME0 SPT_PARCSMEA_RETIME A0 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
9 0 8 0 SPT_RGNLB0 SPT_RGNLB A0 0x02080005 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
10 0 9 0 SPT_PARISH0 SPT_PARISH A0 0x02088201 JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
11 0 10 0 SPT_PARISH_RETIME0 SPT_PARISH_RETIME A0 0x0008800B JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes
12 0 11 0 SPT_AGG0 SPT_AGG A0 0x0008800B JTAG 0/1/ -/- Yes

>>> itp.threads[0].halt()
[LMT2_C0_T0] Multithreaded break at 0x8:000000000085A4A in task 0x0028
>>> itp.threads[0].step()
[LMT2_C0_T0] Multithreaded break at 0x8:0000000000820EF in task 0x0028
>>> itp.threads[0].asm("$", 5)
0x8:0000000000820EF 90 nop
0x8:0000000000820F0 90 nop
0x8:0000000000820F1 83ff20 cmp edi, 0x20
0x8:0000000000820F4 7541 jnz $+0x43 ;a=82137
0x8:0000000000820F6 803d1c5c090000 cmp byte ptr [0x00095c1c], 0x00

>>> itp.threads[0].memdump("0xf008004P", 2, 4)
0x00000000F008004P: 9000255 00000000

>>> itp.threads[0].memdump("0xf0080010P", 4, 4)
```

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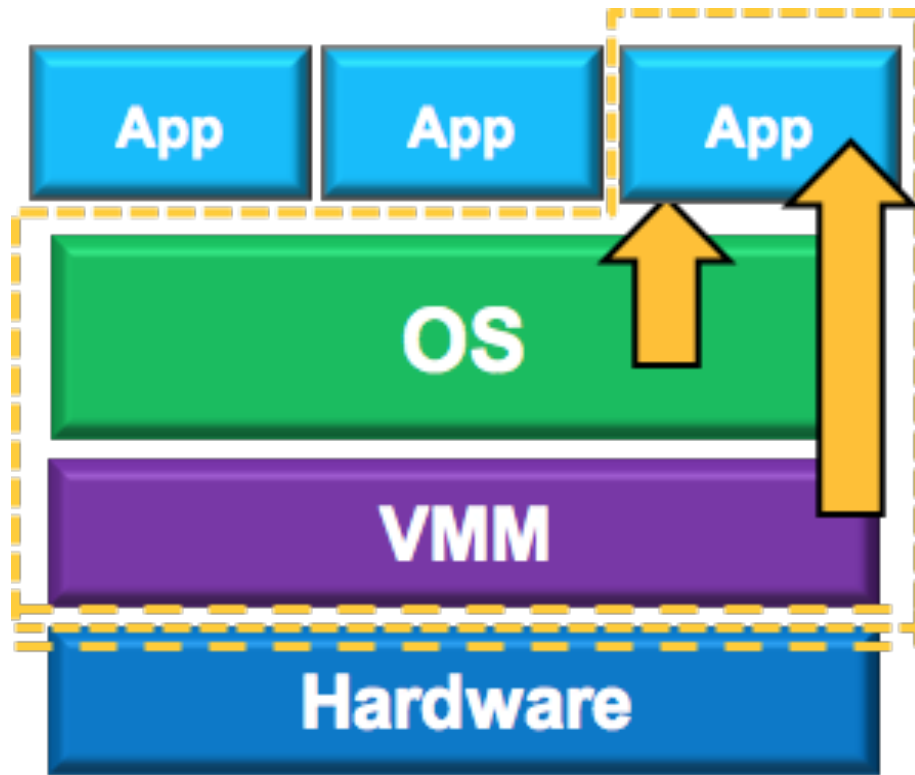
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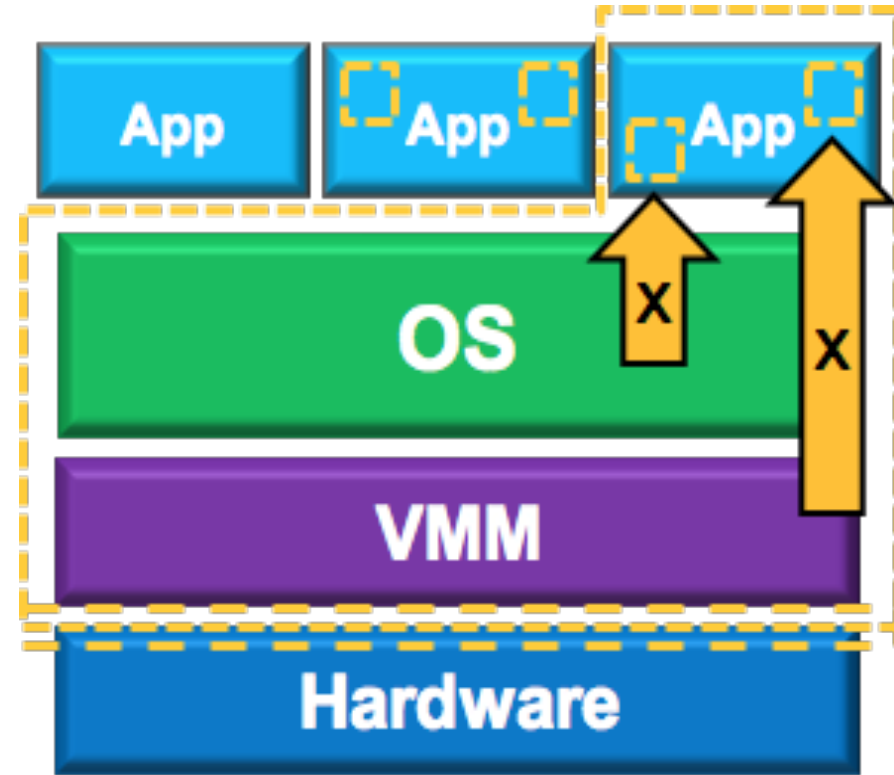
## Hardware based trusted execution environment

- Intel System Management Mode
- Intel Management Engine
- Trusted Platform Module (TPM)
- AMD Platform Security Processor
- DRTM (Dynamic Root of Trust for Measurement)
- ARM Trustzone
- Intel Trusted Execution Technology
- **Intel SGX**

# Why SGX : Memory Encryption Engine



Without SGX



SGX Enforced

Figures are from Intel ISCA'15 SGX Tutorial

# Why SGX : Root of Trust

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## Intel® Software Guard Extensions (Intel® SGX) SDK



An SDK intended for developers who wish to harden their application's security using Intel® SGX technology.

- Hardware enforced security
- Remote attestation support
- Data sealing

- **Hardware Enforced Security: MEE**
- **Remote Attestation Support: Build trust with Intel**
- **Data Sealing: Transfer/store data**

# PART 2

## Why Rust ?

# Why Rust : Rust Programming Language

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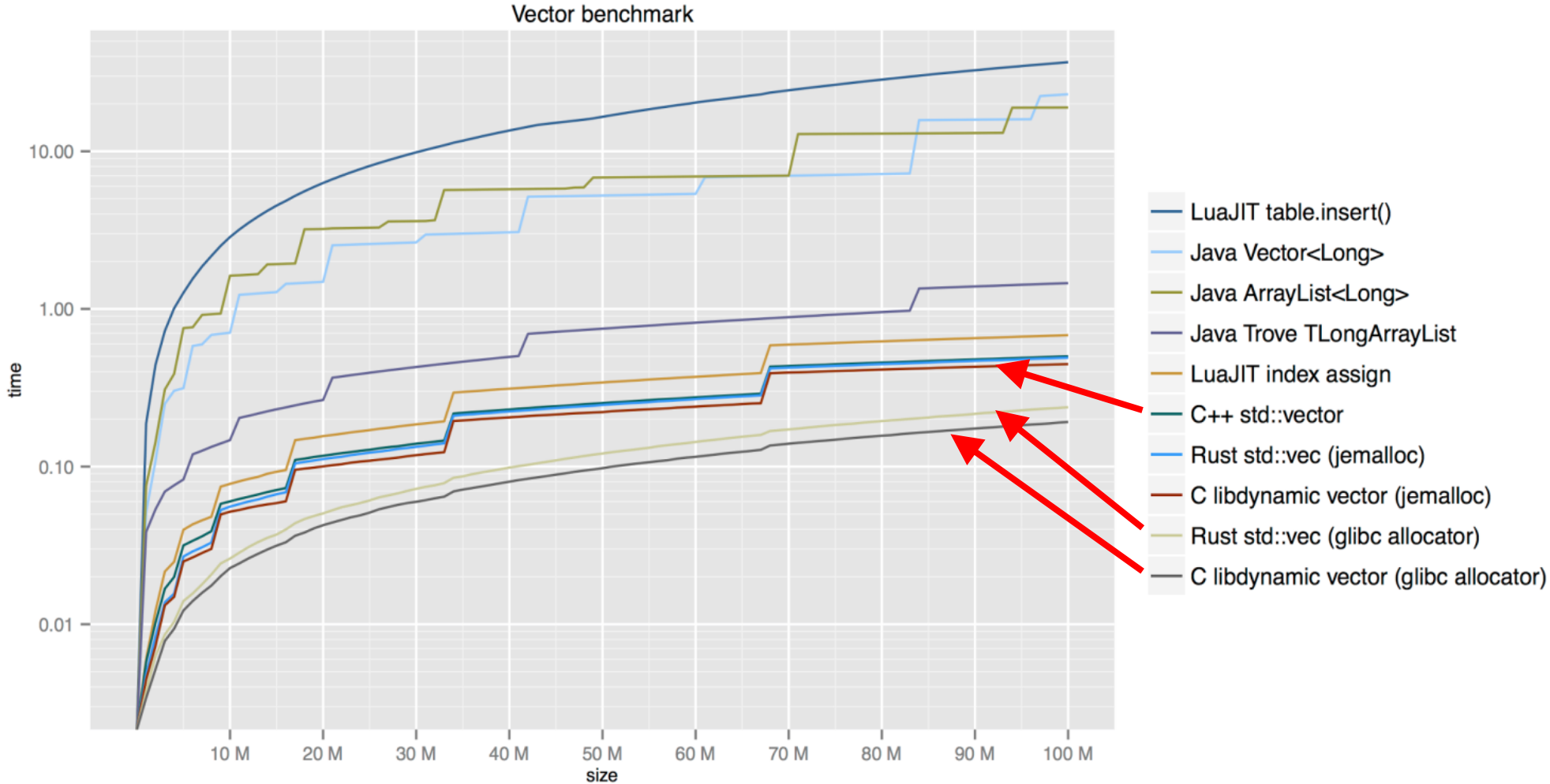
## Endorsed by Mozilla, competing with Go and Swift

- Guarantees memory safety
- No data racing
- Blazingly fast

## Masterpieces in Rust

- Redox: A Rust Operating System <https://www.redox-os.org>
- The Servo Browser Engine <https://servo.org>

# Why Rust : Excellent Performance





# Why Rust : Strong Checkers

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- Borrow、Ownership、Lifetime

```
fn main() {  
    let a = String::from("book"); // a owns "book"  
    let b = a; // transfer ownership  
    println!("a = {}", a); // Error! a is not owner  
}
```

- “One writer, or multiple reader” guaranteed by Rust
- Keep each variable's ownership、lifetime in mind
  - Fight against borrow checker

# PART 3

## Rust SGX SDK

# SGX Needs Memory Safety Guarantees

Intel SGX is designed to protect secret data

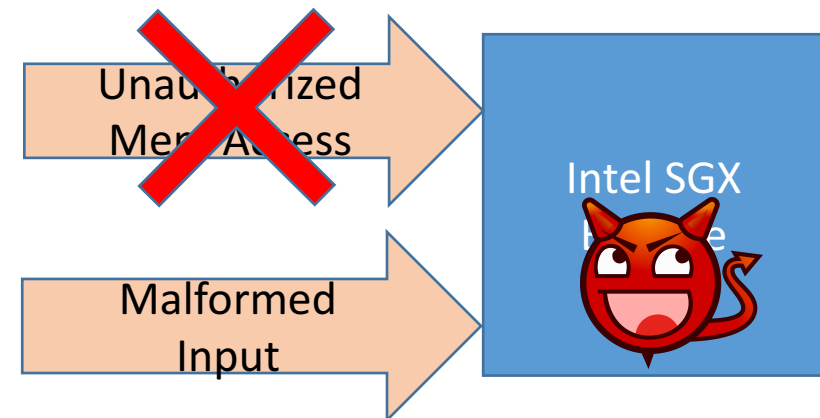
- Private keys
- User privacy (health data/personal data etc.)
- Raw Blu-ray video stream
- DRM enforcement

But, only **C/C++** SDK is available.

Should be very very very careful when writing SGX enclaves in **C/C++**

- Buffer overflow ... Yes!
- Return-oriented-programming ... Yes!
- Use-after-free ... Yes!
- Data racing ... Yes!

Memory bugs are **exploitable!**



# SGX Needs Memory Safety Guarantees

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Code in Trusted Execution Engine may be **vulnerable**

- Memory corruption vulnerability is exploitable
- Code needs to be audited

To better protect secrets in SGX, we need **memory safety**

- Provide best security guarantees
- Provide latest SGX APIs by Intel

Our Solution : Intel SGX + Rust Programming Language

- Use Intel SGX for data protection
- Develop Intel SGX enclaves in Rust
- Develop Intel SGX untrusted components in Rust \*
- More details in <https://github.com/baidu/rust-sgx-sdk>

# Hybrid Memory-Safe Architecture: Rules-of-thumb

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## Goals

- Memory safety guarantees
- Good functionality

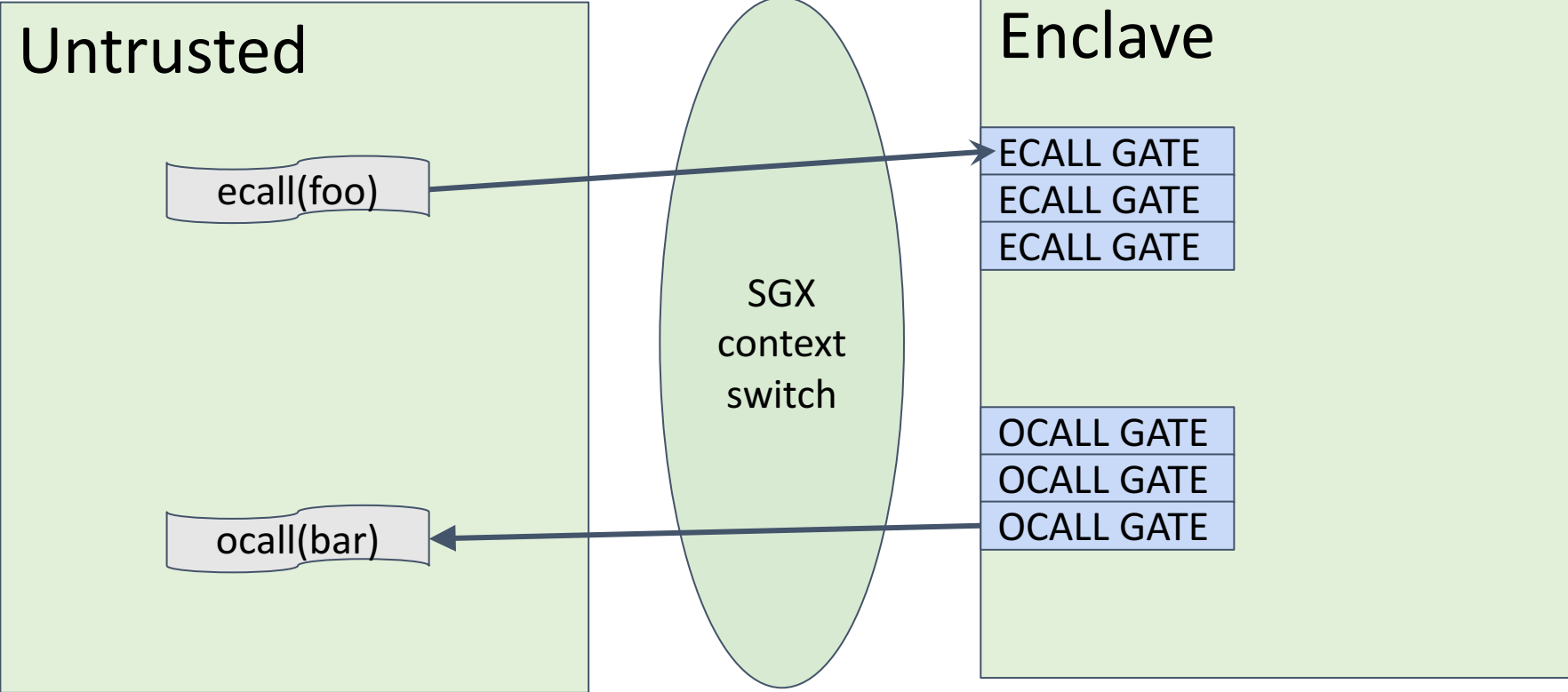
## Challenges

- Intel SGX library is written in C/C++

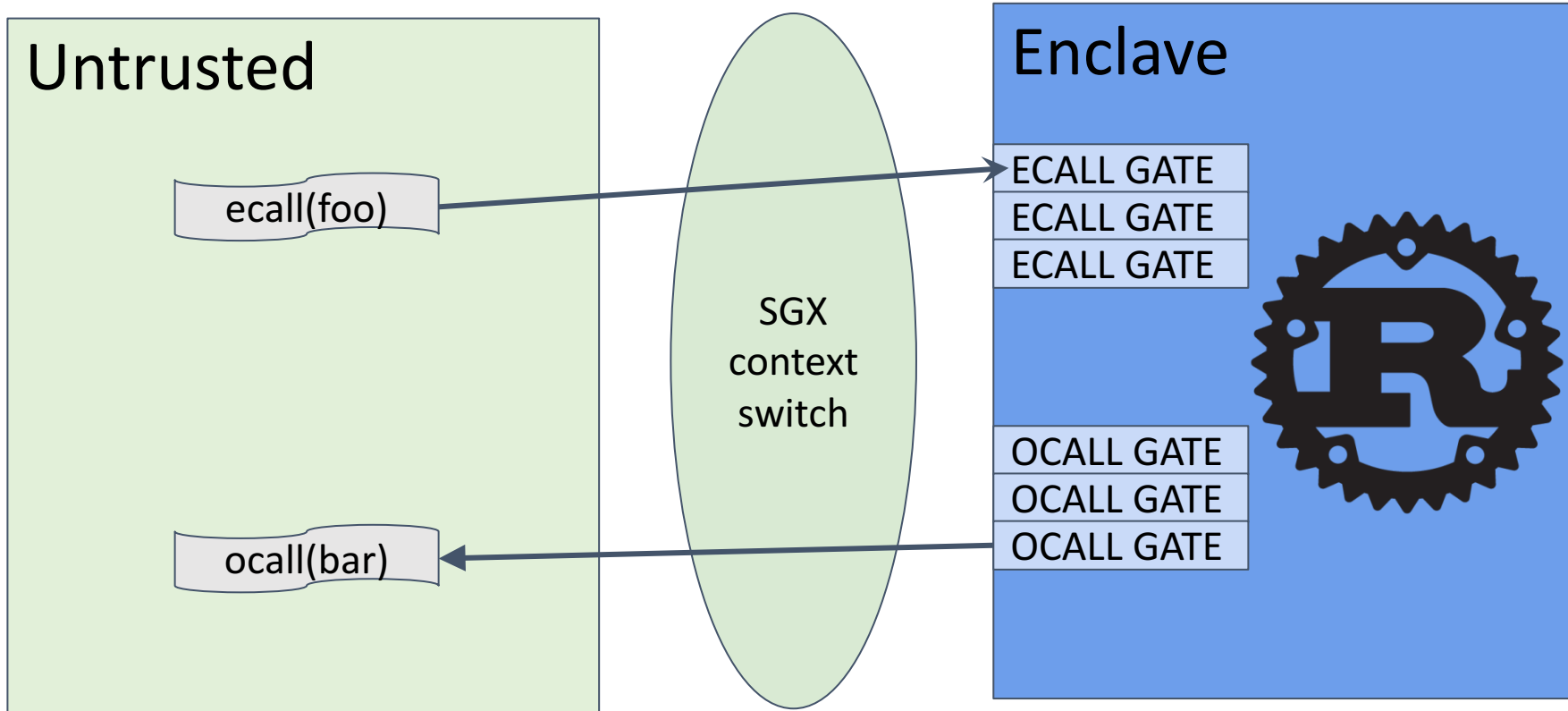
## Memory safety rule-of-thumb for **hybrid memory-safe architecture** designing

1. Unsafe components should be appropriately isolated and modularized, and the size should be small (or minimized).
2. Unsafe components should not weaken the safe, especially, public APIs and data structures.
3. Unsafe components should be clearly identified and easily upgraded.

# Overview without Rust SGX SDK

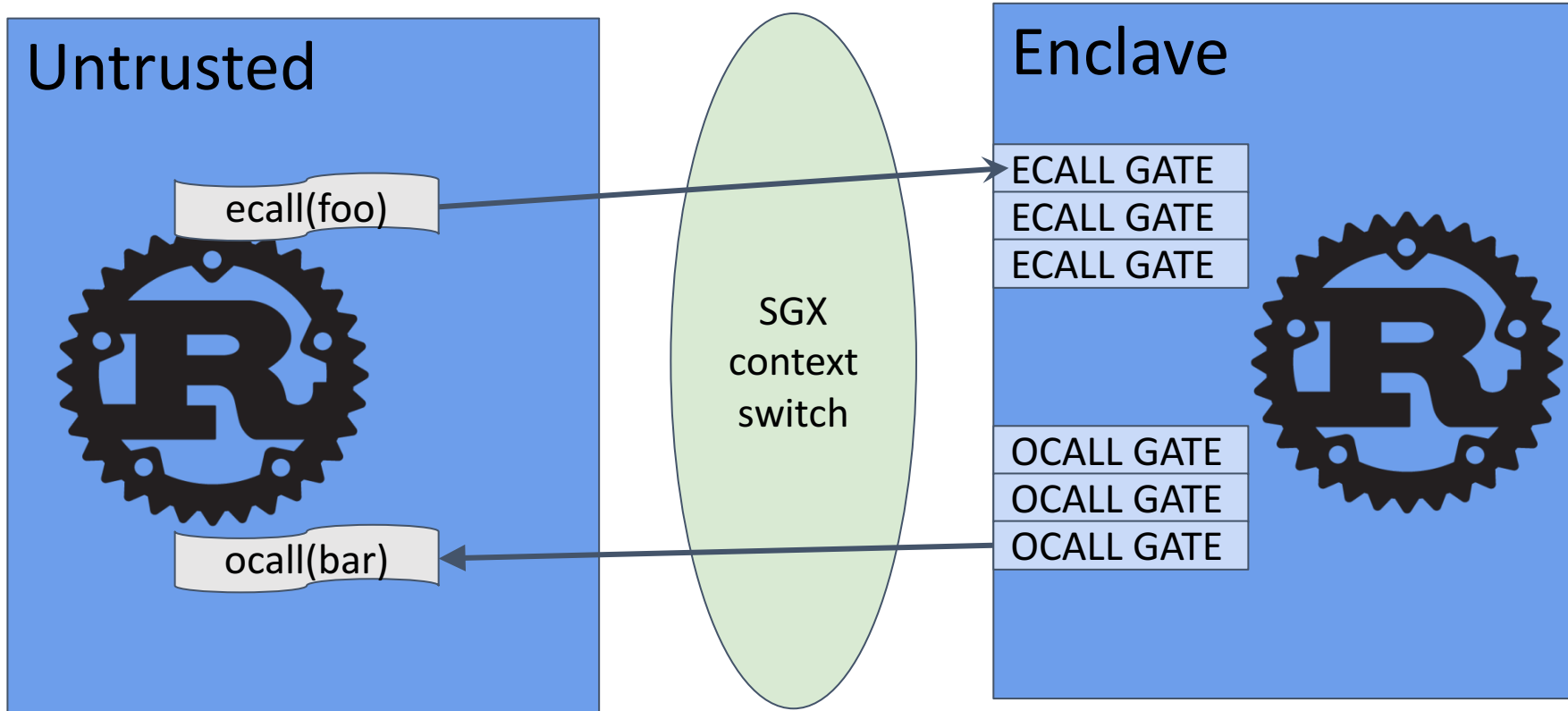


# Rust SGX SDK : v0.1.0, v0.2.0

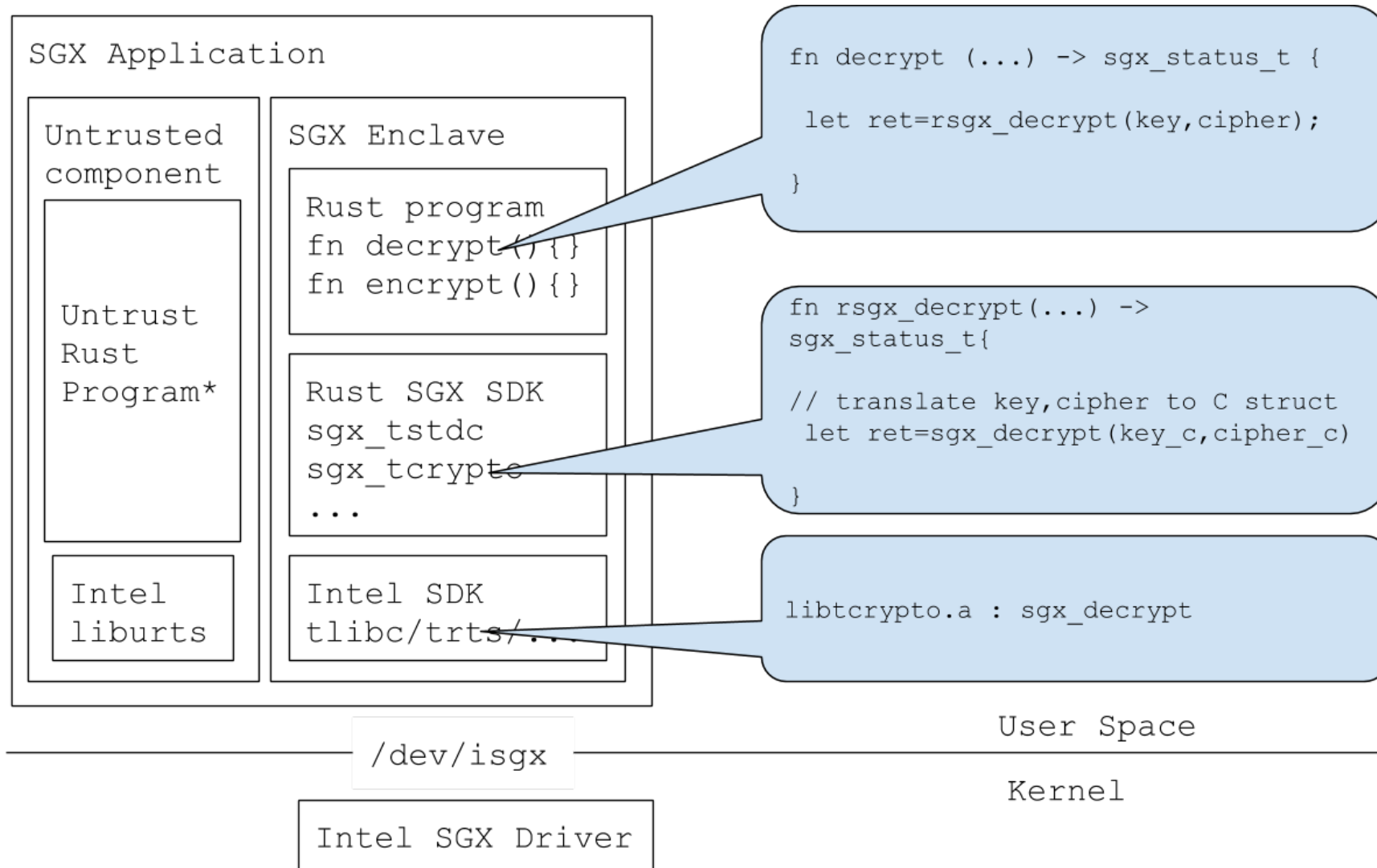




# Rust SGX SDK : v0.9.0



# Rust SGX SDK : An Overview



# Rust SGX SDK : Hello the world

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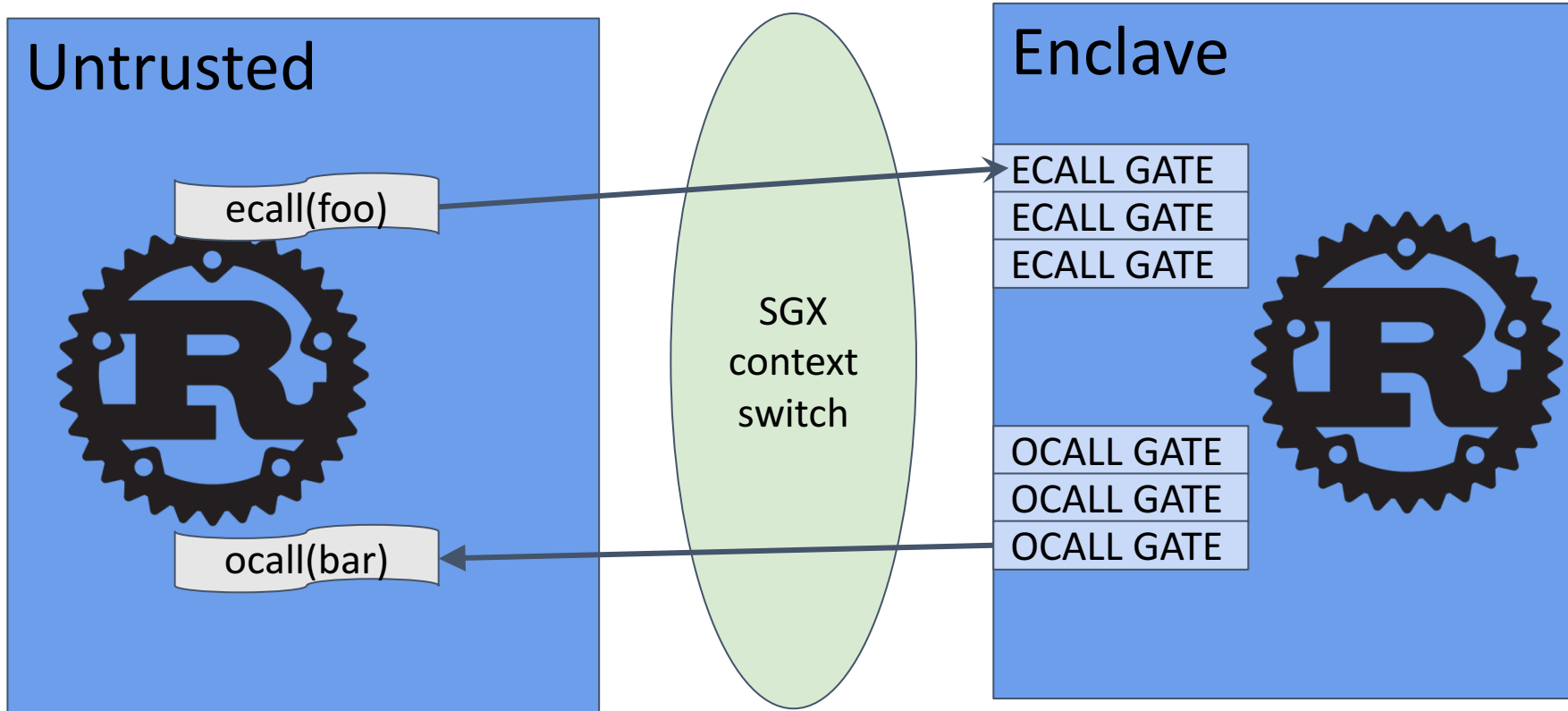
- **Untrusted part**

```
let mut retval = sgx_status_t::SGX_SUCCESS;
let result = unsafe {
    say_something(enclave.geteid(),
                 &mut retval);
};
```

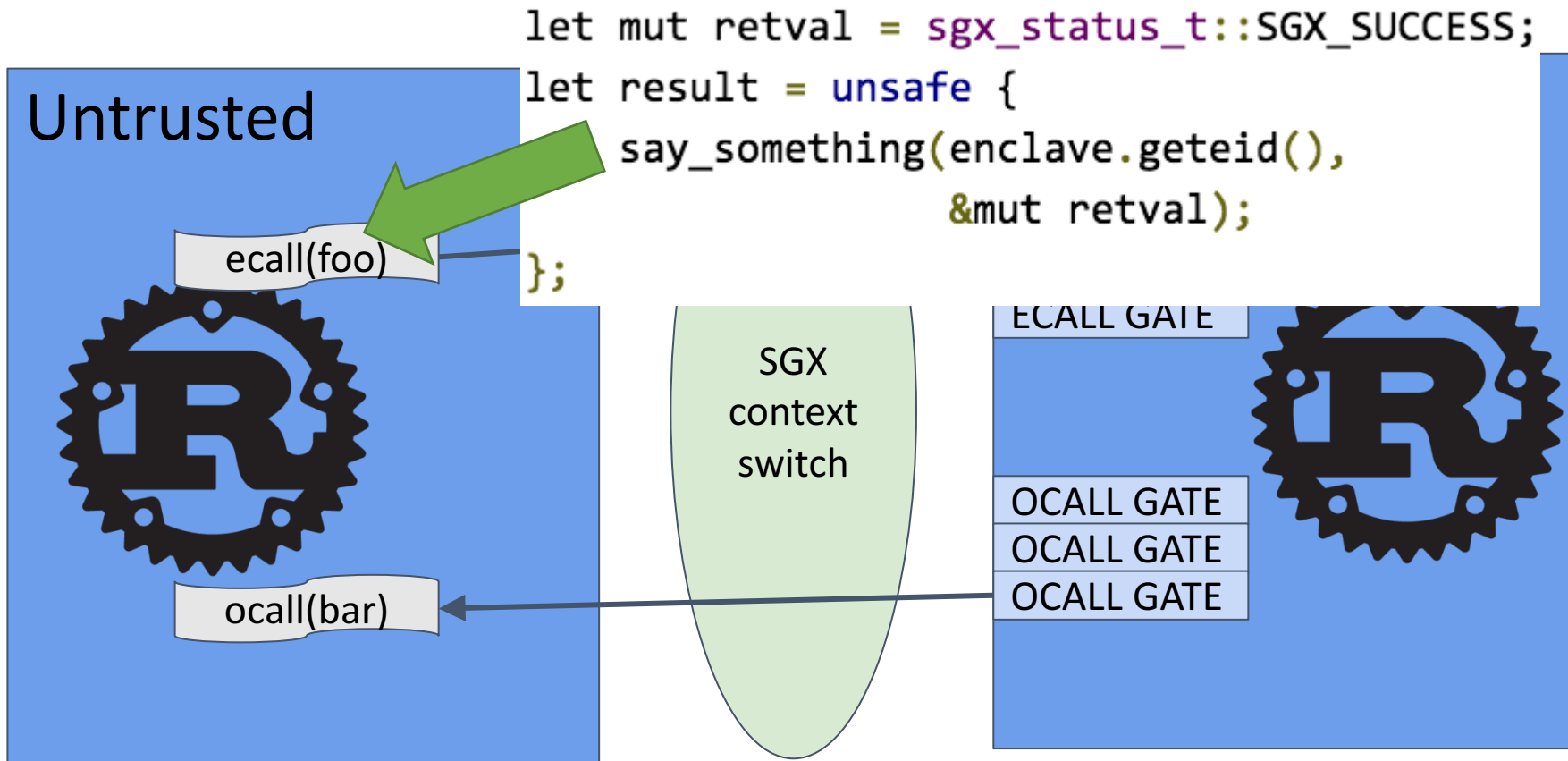
- **Enclave**

```
#[no_mangle]
pub extern "C"
fn say_something () -> sgx_status_t {
    println!("Hello from the SGX enclave!");
    sgx_status_t::SGX_SUCCESS
}
```

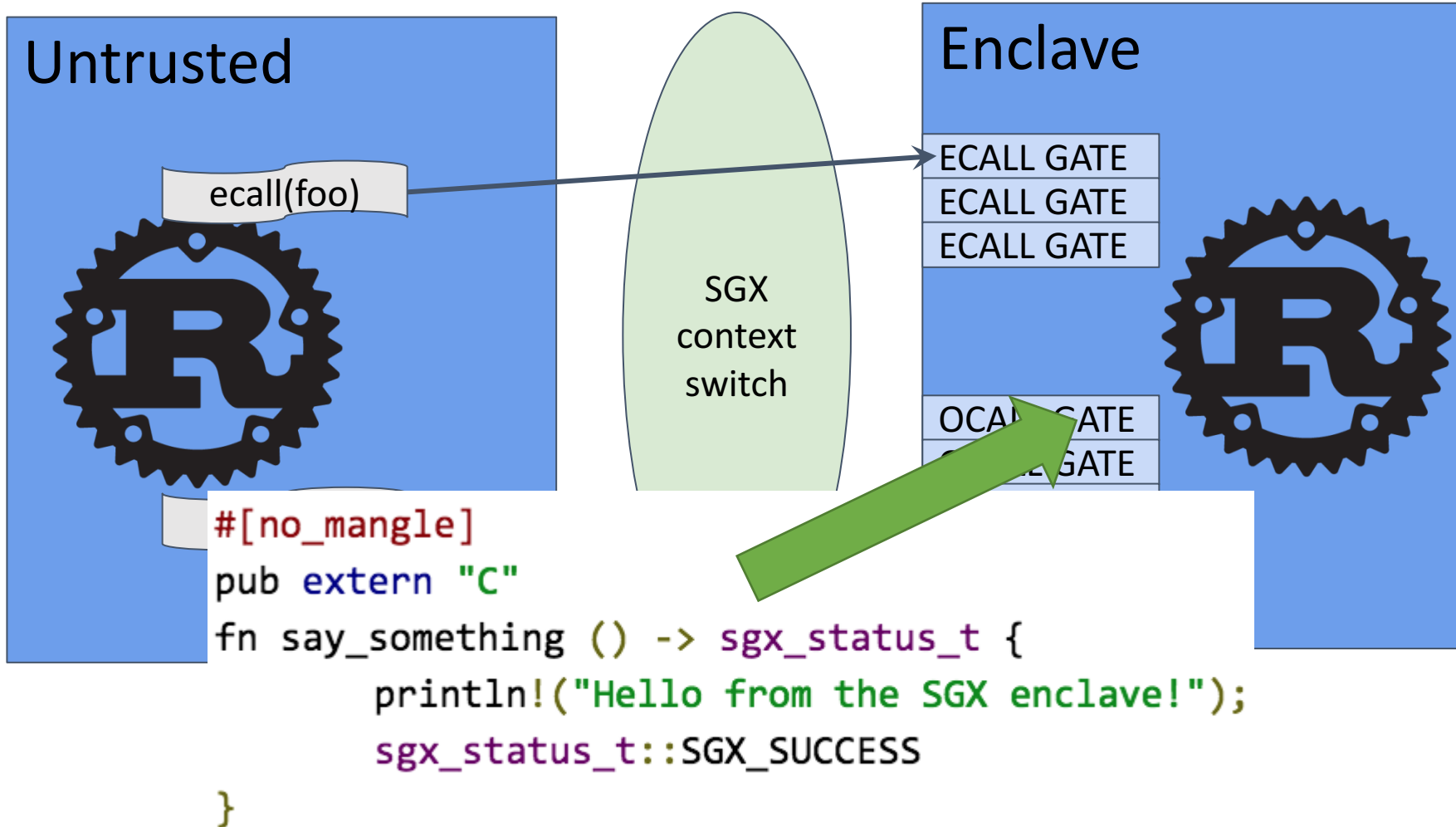
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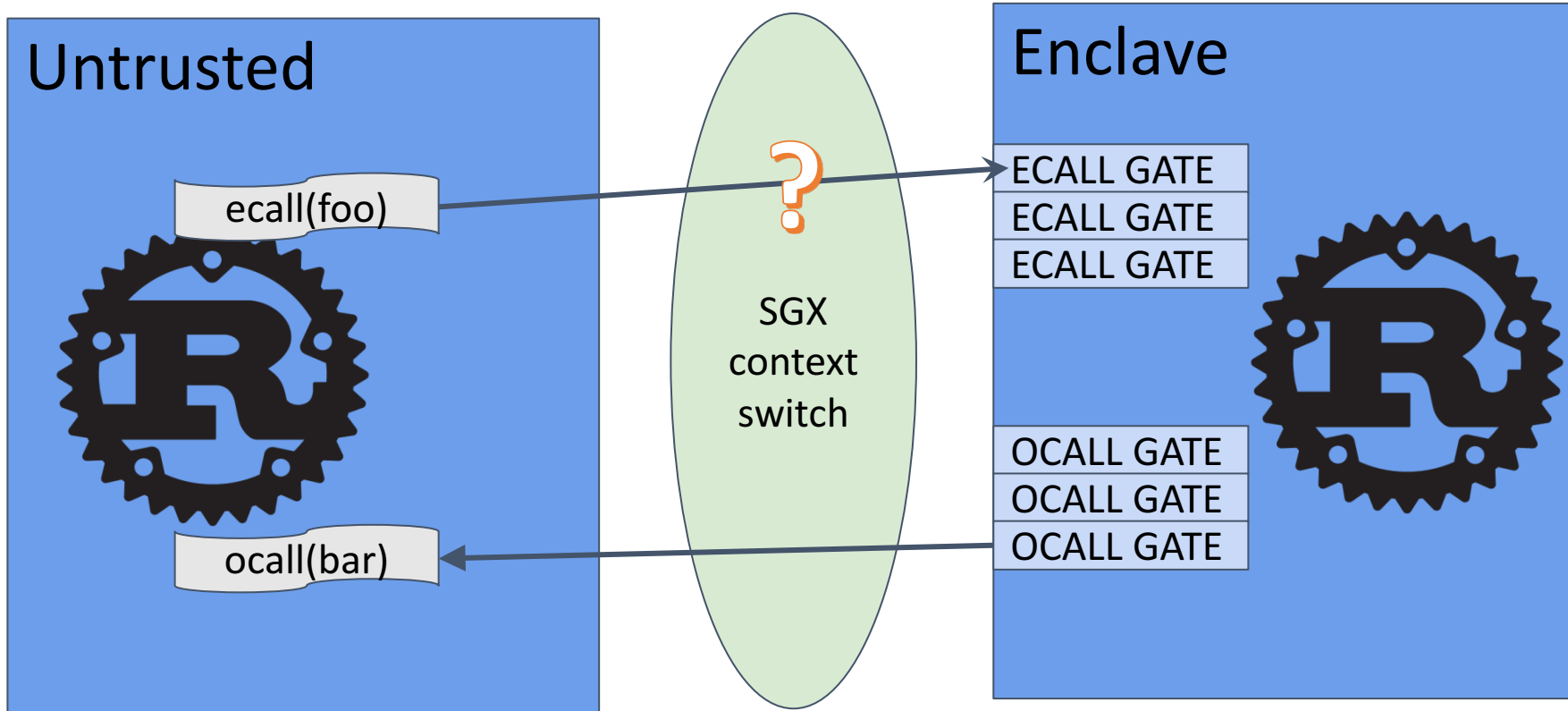
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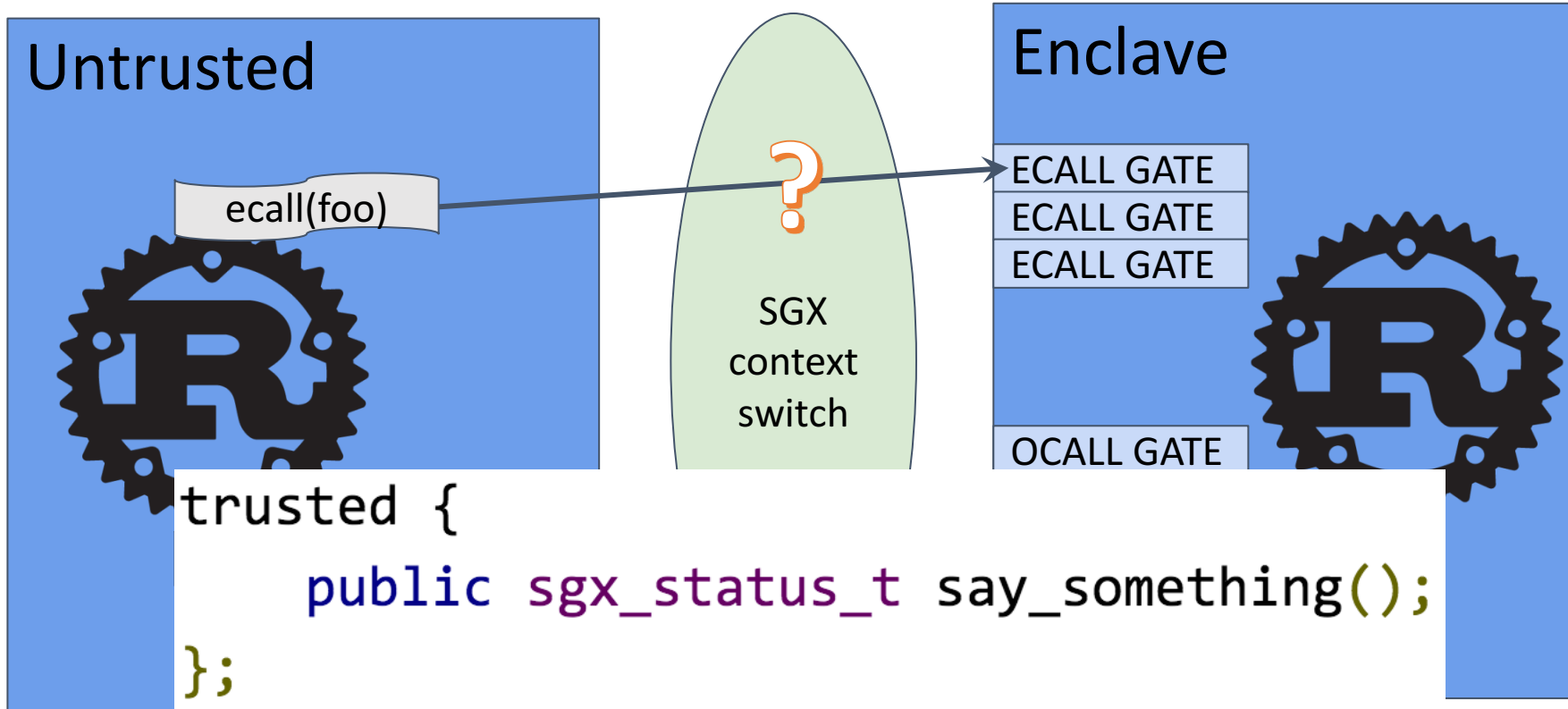


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**EDL File**

# Rust SGX SDK : Partition

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**Question: Which part of a program should be inside SGX enclave?**

- **Decryption/Encryption using private key**
- **Seal data/Unseal data**
- **Analysis on secret data**
- **...**

**However, most SGX developers are not SGX experts, not experienced in partition an SGX app.**

# Good and NG Examples

## node-secureworker, wolfSSL SGX Samples

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### Node-secureworker [GOOD]

- In-enclave DukTape Javascript engine
- Remote Attestation on bootstrap
- Seal all outputs

### WolfSSL SGX Sample [NG]

- In-enclave Tamper the ctx pointer may:
  - 1) misguide app
  - 2) cause DOS
- Pass in-

```
WOLFSSL* enc_wolfSSL_new([user_check]  
                        WOLFSSL_CTX* ctx);
```

# Rust SGX SDK : Partition by SDK

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## Our Goals

- **Partition basic libraries correctly**
- **Provide an easy-to-use interface**
- **Let developers feel easy in programming Intel SGX enclaves**

# Rust SGX SDK : Short summary

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1. The **Memory safety** is necessary to Intel SGX enclaves.
2. Rust SGX SDK is valuable and promising
  - Allows to programming Intel SGX Enclaves in Rust.
  - Intends to build up a hybrid memory-safe architecture with Rust and Intel SGX libraries.
  - Provides a series of crates (libraries), such as Rust-style std, alloc etc, and Intel-SGX-style crypto, seal, protected\_fs etc.
  - Partitions the basic libraries correctly.

# Challenges

**What we do?**

# Intel SGX : Limitations

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**Dynamic loading? NO!**

**Static linking!**

**System call? NO!**

**We need partition!**

**Threading model? Different!**

**Redefine thread/sync!**

**Exception/Signal? New!**

**Reimplement exception/signal!**

**CPUID instruction? NO in SGXv1**

**RDTSC instruction? NO in SGXv1**



# Rust SGX SDK : Dependency

**Rust binaries depends on libc by default (linux-x86\_64, dynamic loading)**

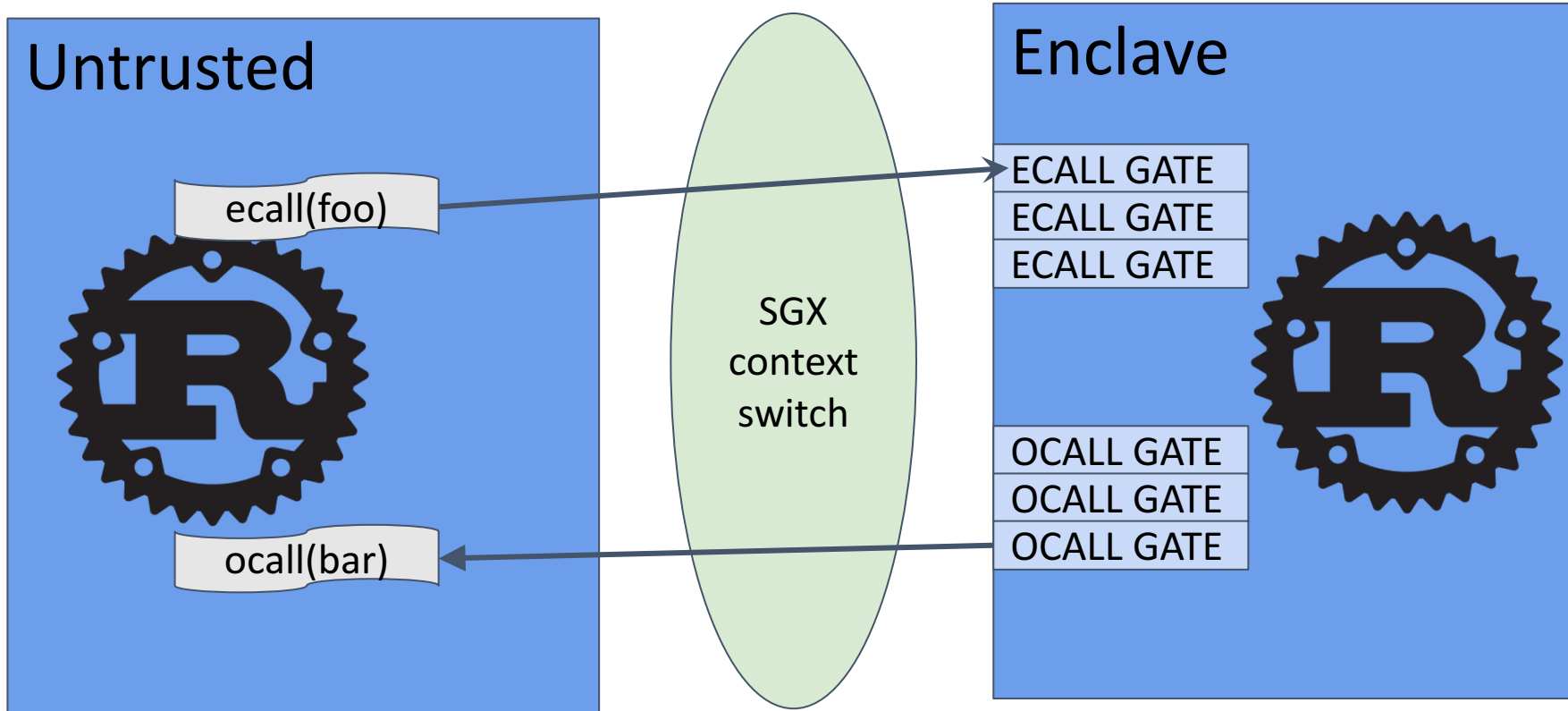
```
Dynamic section at offset 0x61af8 contains 29 entries:
  Tag                Type                Name/Value
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [libdl.so.2]
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [librt.so.1]
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [libpthread.so.0]
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [libgcc_s.so.1]
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [libc.so.6]
0x0000000000000001 (NEEDED)           Shared library: [ld-linux-x86-64.so.2]
```

**Intel provides static trusted libc (tlibc.a) for Intel SGX enclave**

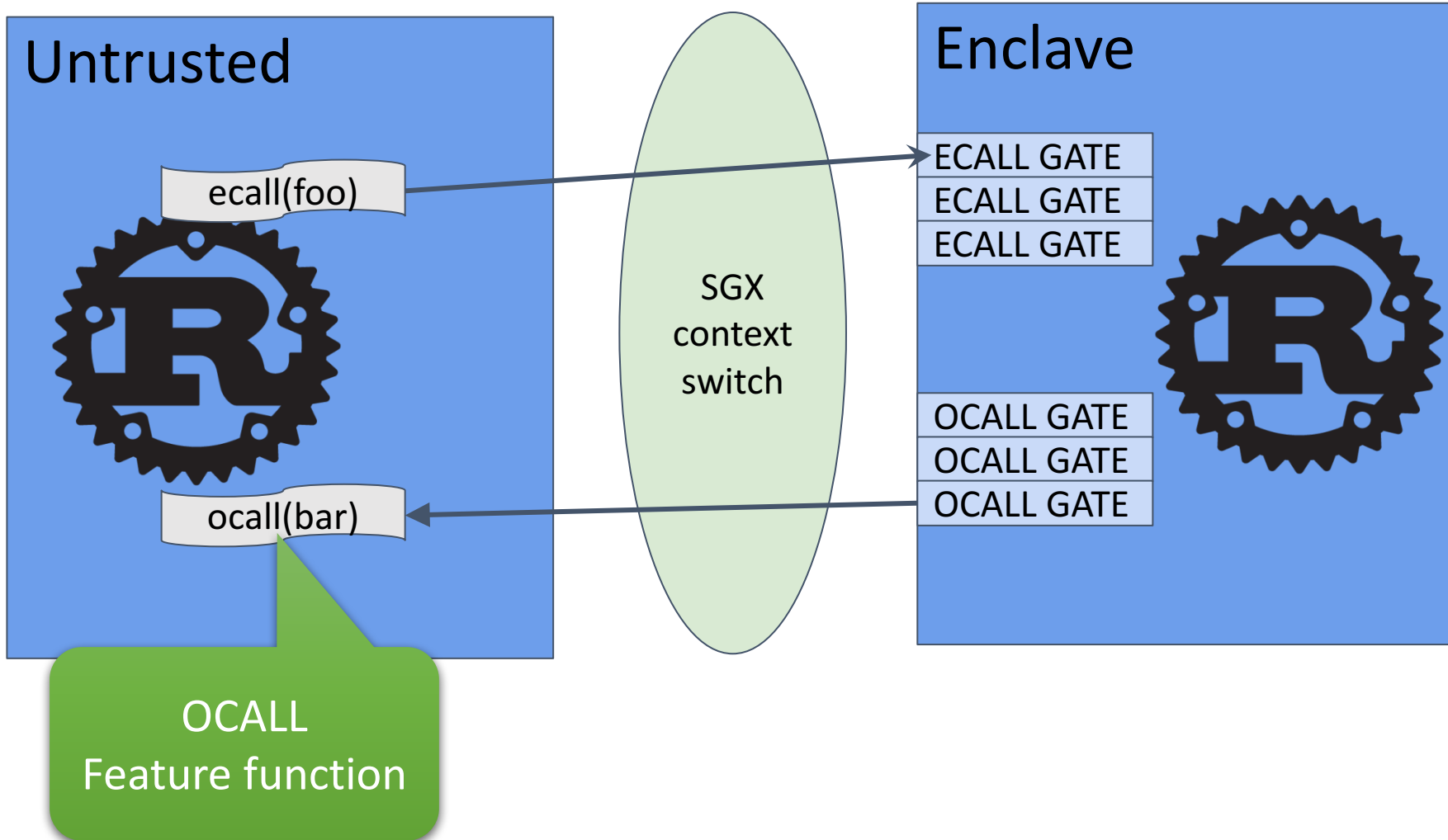
- **SGX features are provided in other static libraries**

**Rust SGX SDK statically link to Intel SGX libraries**

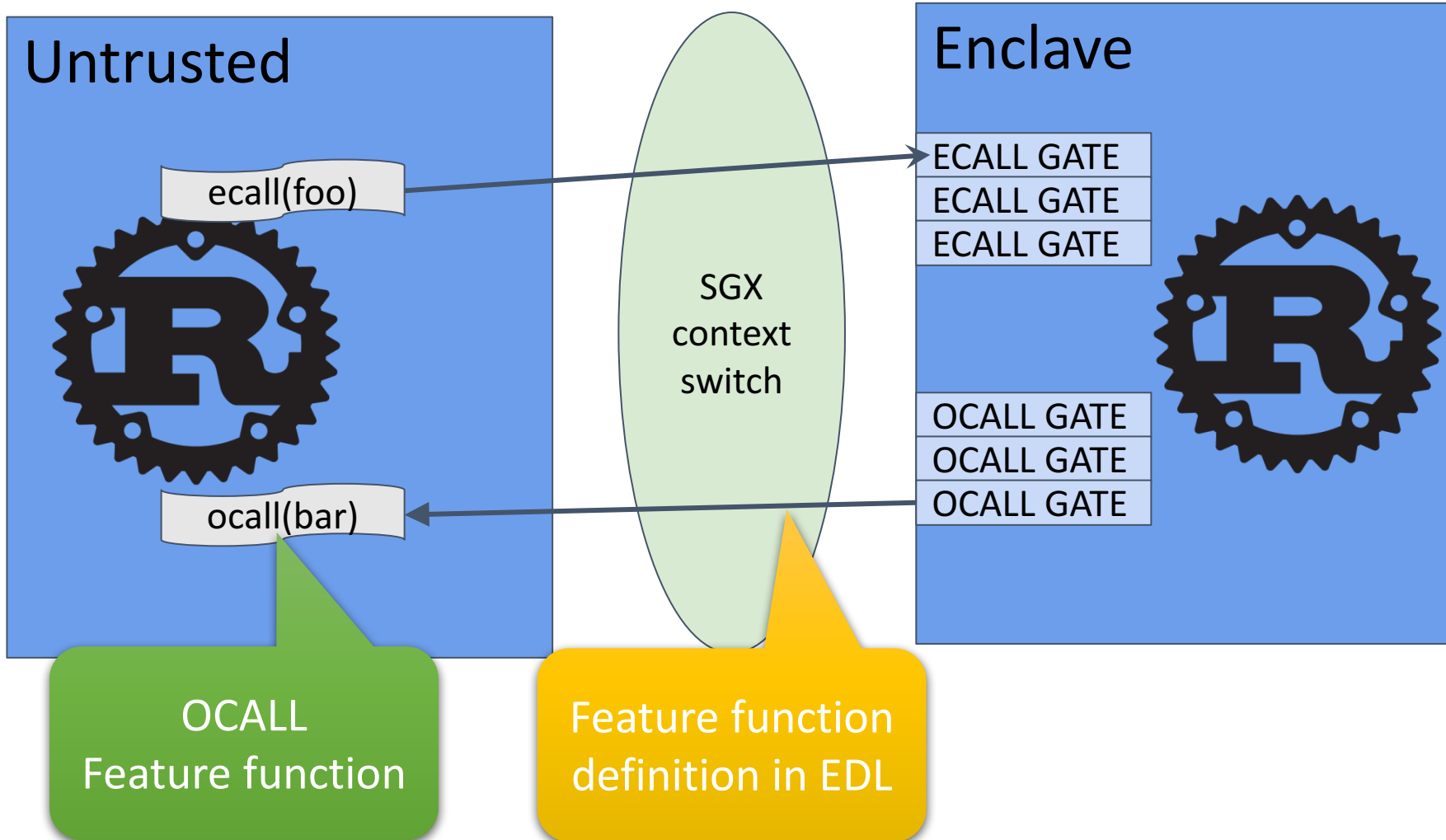
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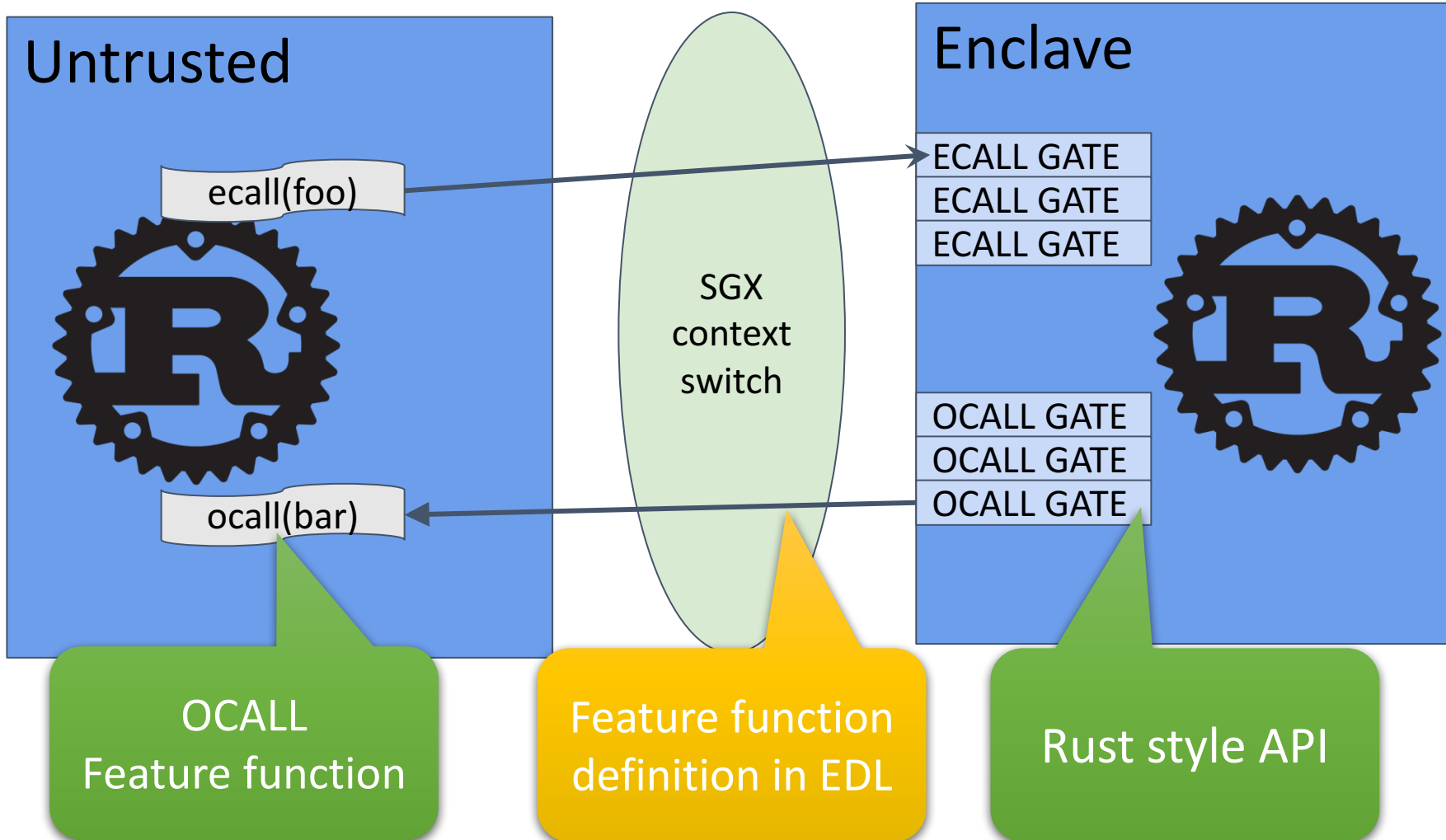
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In enclave source

- `println!("Hello QConf!");`

In `sgx_tstd`, macro are expanded and invoke io API:

- `println! => print! => sgx_tstd::io::_print()`

`sgx_tstd::io` maintains a global Stdout object and makes it a LineWriter

- `fn stdout_init() -> Arc<SgxReentrantMutex<RefCell<LineWriter<Maybe<StdoutRaw>>>>>`

`StdoutRaw` is a wrapper structure of `sgx_tstd::sys::Stdout`

```
impl Stdout {
    pub fn write(&self, data: &[u8]) -> io::Result<usize> {
        ...
        u_stdout_ocall(&mut result as * mut isize as * mut usize,
            data.as_ptr() as * const c_void,
            cmp::min(data.len(), max_len()))};
```

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```

```
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```

Defined in  
EDL file

# Rust SGX SDK : Partition and Interaction with OS

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## Feature function definition in EDL file

### *stdio.edl*

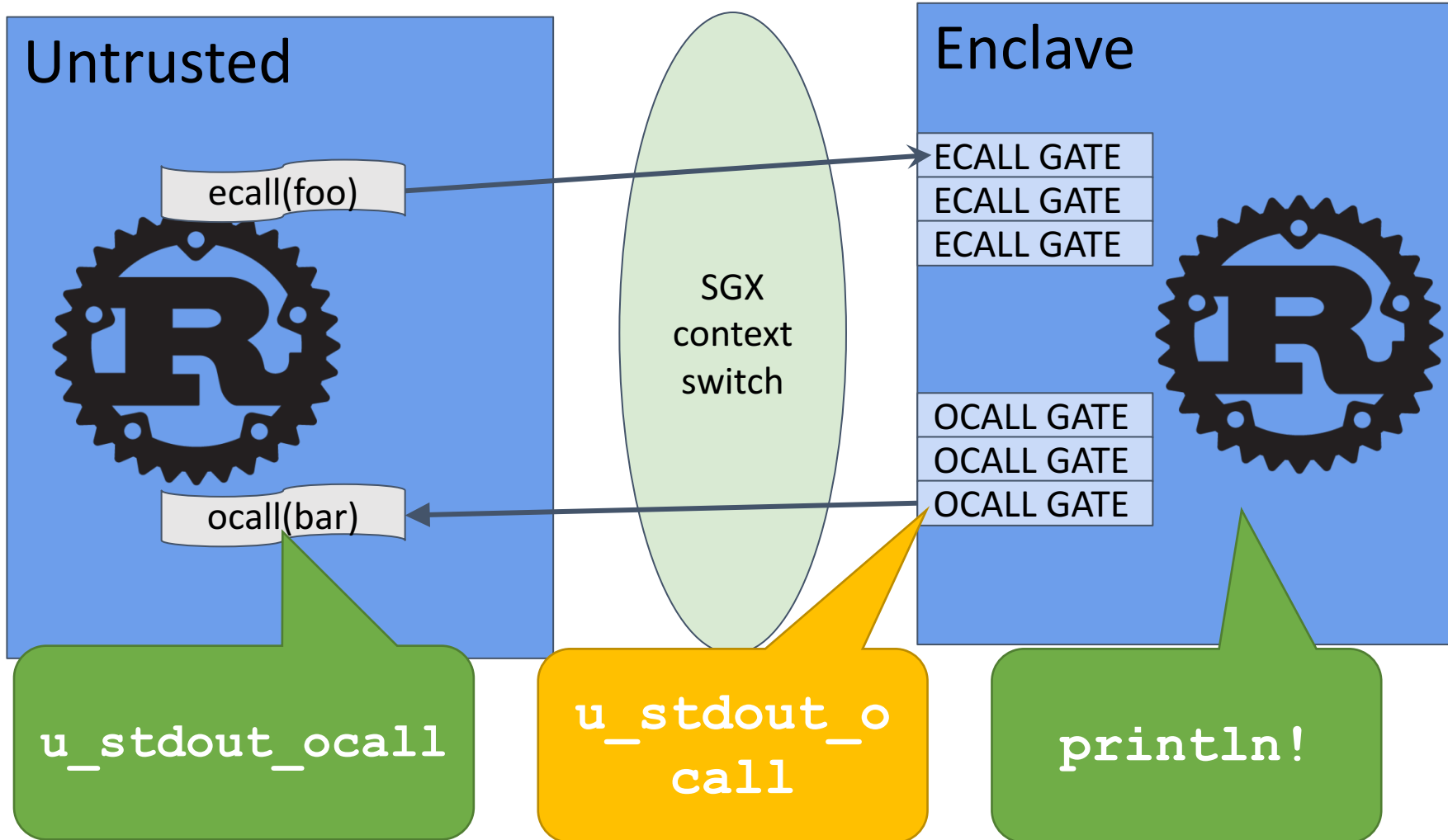
```
enclave {
    untrusted {
        size_t u_stdin_ocall([out, size=nbytes] void *buf, size_t nbytes);
        size_t u_stdout_ocall([in, size=nbytes] const void *buf, size_t nbytes);
        size_t u_stderr_ocall([in, size=nbytes] const void *buf, size_t nbytes);
    };
};
```

## Untrusted Run-time library `sgx_urts` implements the feature functions

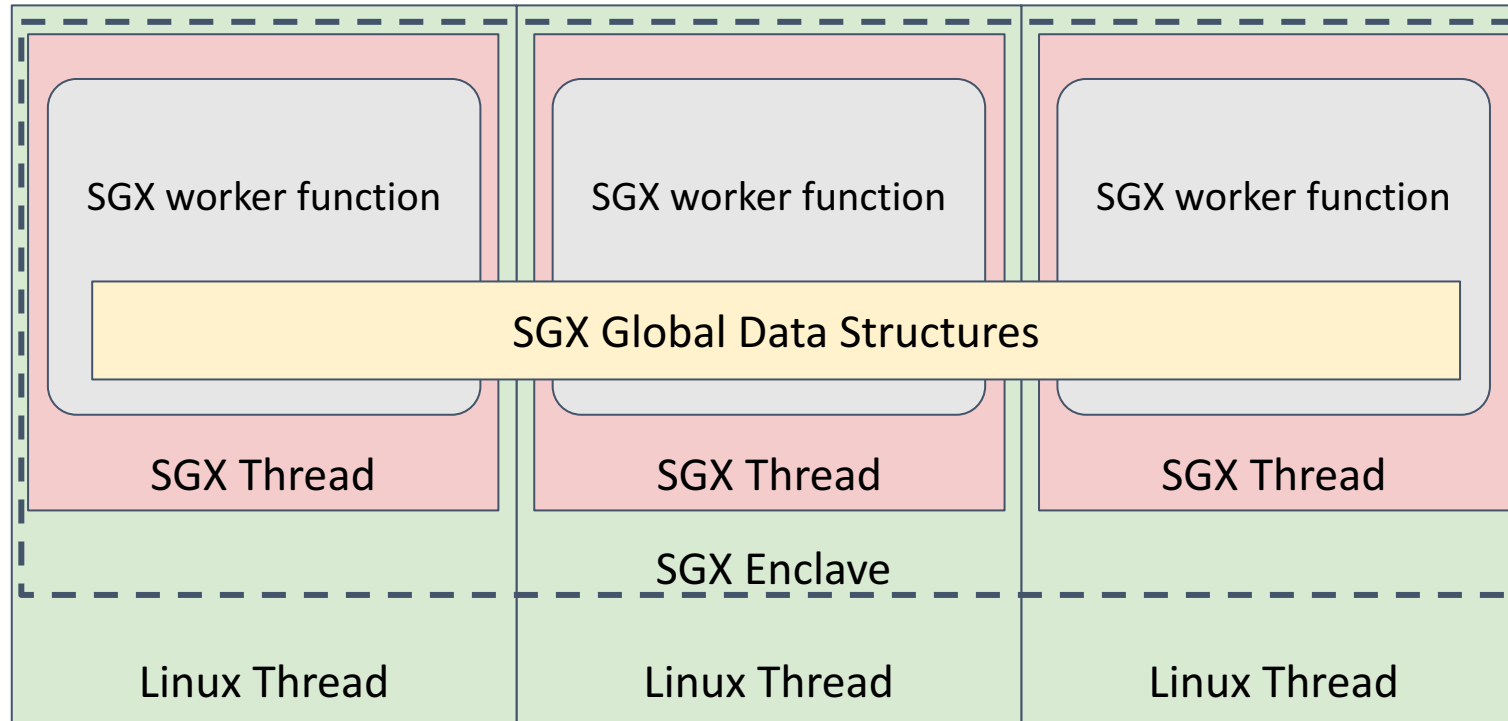
```
#[no_mangle]
pub extern "C"
fn u_stdout_ocall(buf: * const libc::c_void, nbytes: libc::size_t) -> libc::size_t
{
    unsafe { libc::write(libc::STDOUT_FILENO, buf, nbytes) as libc::size_t }
}
```



# Rust SGX SDK : Partition and Interaction with OS



# Rust SGX SDK : Threading by Sample



“Re-entry” using **TCS pool**

**TCSPolicy**

- **BOUND vs UNBOUND**

**TCSNUM**

- **Max SGX TCS number**

User Space

task\_struct

task\_struct

task\_struct

ksgxswpd task

Kernel Space

SGX  
Core

SGX  
Core

SGX  
Core

Core

CPU

# Rust SGX SDK : Major Differences

Rust	Intel SGX in C	Rust SGX
Mutex Mutex::new(0);	<pre>sgx_thread_mutex_t struct {     sgx_thread_mutex_t mutex;     uint32_t n; };</pre>	SgxMutex SgxMutex::new(0);
Thread Posix Thread	"Re-entry" Bound: stick to pthread Unbound: random pick	"Re-entry" Bound: stick to pthread Unbound: random pick
Thread-Local Storage ThreadLocal::new(); ctor/dtor supported	get_thread_data() BOUND: no ctor/dtor UNBOUND: no ctor/dtor	thread_local! BOUND: <b>ctor/dtor</b> UNBOUND: no ctor/dtor

# Rust SGX SDK : Exceptions and Signals

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## Exception Handling

- Implement **panic-unwind** mechanism
  - Unwind safely in Rust style
- Implement stack backtrace mechanism
  - (optional) Dump call stack on panicking

## Signals

- Intel SGX: AEX mechanism, exception handler registration
- Rust SGX SDK
  - Re-export `handler_register` and `handler_unregister` function
  - Provide handlers to some sigs
    - CPUID/RDTSC etc

# How to use?

**It's easy!**

# Rust SGX SDK : Features

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## **std => sgx\_tstd**

- Most of std's features are supported.
- Partially support of std::fs, std::os, std::path, std::sync, std::thread
- No support of std::env, std::net, std::process, std::time

## **Intel SGX related libraries**

- sgx\_tcrypto, sgx\_tdh, sgx\_tkey\_exchange, sgx\_tprotected\_fs, sgx\_trts, sgx\_tse, sgx\_tseal, sgx\_tservice

## **Rust style libraries**

- sgx\_alloc, sgx\_rand, sgx\_serialize, sgx\_tunittest, sgx\_types

## **Supportive libraries in untrusted world**

- sgx\_ubacktrace, sgx\_urts, sgx\_ustdio

# Rust SGX SDK : Porting Rust Crates to Intel SGX

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## Replace dependency of Rust's std to sgx\_tstd

### 1. Add dependency in Cargo.toml

```
sgx_tstd = { path = "path/to/sgx_tstd" }
```

### 2. Change to a no\_std environment in lib.rs

```
#[no_std]
```

### 3. Include sgx\_tstd in namespace of std

```
extern crate sgx_tstd as std;
```

### 4. Fix all incompatible usage

```
Mutex => SgxMutex
```

### 5. Use **sgx\_tstd** as usual

```
use std::vec::Vec;
```

# Rust SGX SDK : An Easy-to-use SDK

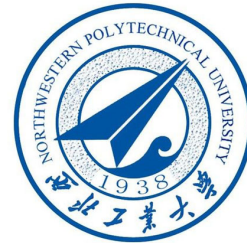
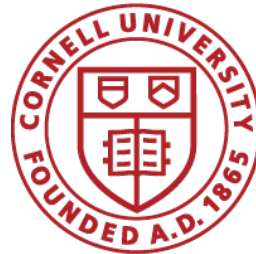
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- **Shipped with a docker image**
  - docker pull baiduxlab/sgx-rust
- **Complete Rust-style documents**
  - <https://dingelish.github.io/>
- **Rich code samples**
  - hello-rust, file, backtrace, hugemem(31.75GB), local attestation, remote attestation, data sealing, serialization, threading, unit testing, 3rd party code samples
- **Support latest Intel SGX SDK (v1.9)**
- **Support latest Rust nightly build**
- **A better choice than sgx-utils (libenclave)**



# Rust SGX SDK : Now and Future

- Recommended by Intel, adopted by chain.com



**French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) wins iDash'17 competition using Rust SGX SDK**

# Rust SGX SDK : Now and Future

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- **Getting Hot!**

 <a href="#">baidu/rust-sgx-sdk</a>	132 ★
 <a href="#">01org/linux-sgx</a>	220 ★

- **Future**

- New target : x86\_64-unknown-linux\_sgx
- Support rust style #[test]
- std::net
- std::time
- Porting Rust's ring to SGX
- Porting Rust's rustls to SGX

# THANKS

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