## Safe casts

### Type cast: as

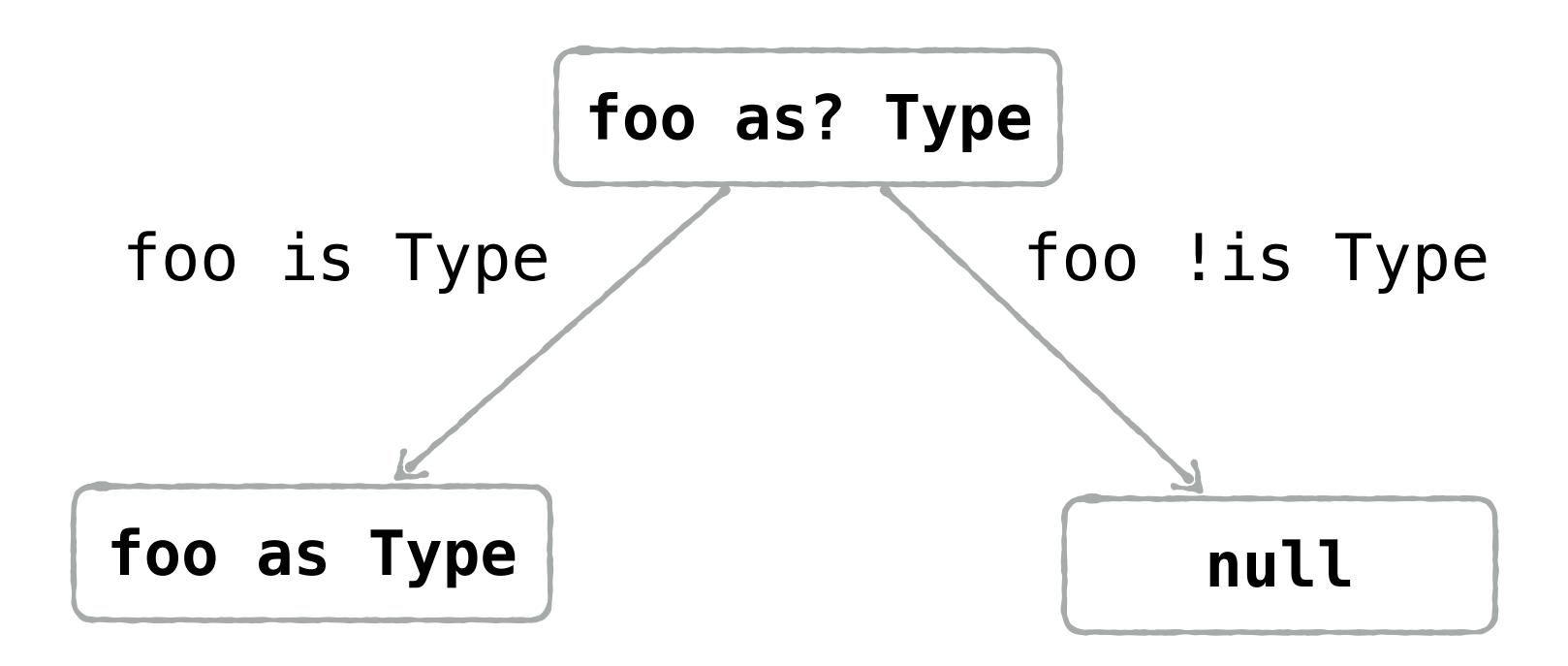
```
= instanceof
                           not necessary
if (any is String) {
    val s = any as String
    s.toUpperCase()
if (any is String) {
    any.toUpperCase()
         smart cast
```

#### Safe cast: as?

```
if (any is String) {
    any.toUpperCase()
}

(any as? String)?.toUpperCase()
```

#### Safe cast



#### Safe cast: as?

returns null if expression cannot be cast

```
val s = if (a is String) a else null
```

val s: String? = any as? String

# Declare the s variable to make the first line print null and the second one throw an exception.

```
println(s as? Int)
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```