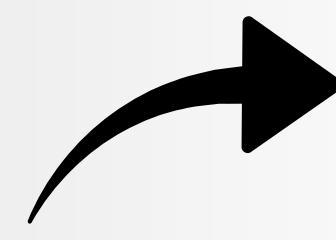


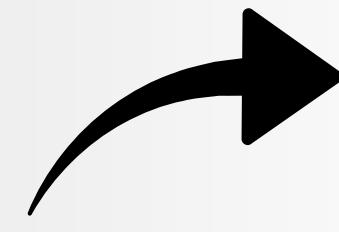
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Interfaces



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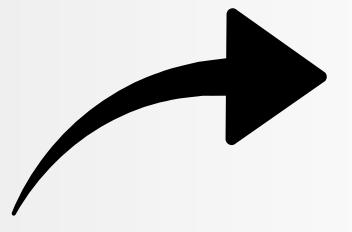




Understanding

TypeScript Interfaces

- TypeScript interfaces provide a powerful way to define object structures and ensure type safety.
- Interfaces define the structure of an object by specifying the names and types of its properties.
- We declare an interface using the interface keyword in a .ts file. You can also create interface inside your component file with .tsx extension.



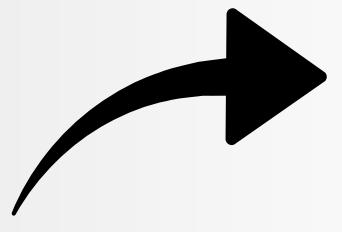
interface

in TypeScript

```
● ● ●      interface name  
interface Person {  
    name: string; ← name and type of  
    age: number;  
};  
  
let aPerson: Person = { ← usage  
    name: "ritik",  
    age: "23"  
};
```

Working with TypeScript interface

- Interfaces support contract-based programming, enabling clear communication and agreement on the expected structure and behavior of objects in TypeScript code.
- Interfaces provide a way to achieve abstraction and polymorphism, allowing for the creation of reusable and interchangeable components that adhere to a common interface



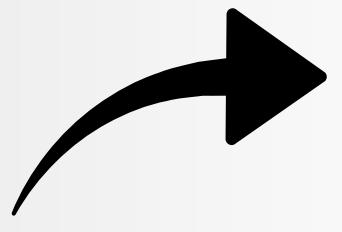
Optional Properties

- Interfaces can have optional properties denoted by a "?" after the property name.



```
interface Book {  
    title: string;  
    author: string;  
    year?: number;  
};
```

```
const validBook: Book = {  
    title: "typescript learning",  
    author: "ritik"  
};
```



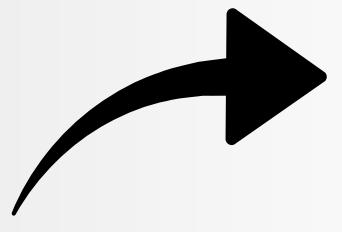
Optional Properties

- If you provide with properties that does not exist in interface, you will get an error like this



```
const invalidBook: Book = {  
  title: 'Invalid Book',  
  author: 'Unknown',  
  meta: 'Some additional information',  
};
```

```
/* Type '{ title: string; author: string; meta:  
string; }' is not assignable to type 'Book'.  
Object literal may only specify known  
properties, and 'meta' does not exist in  
type 'Book'. */};
```



Readonly

Properties

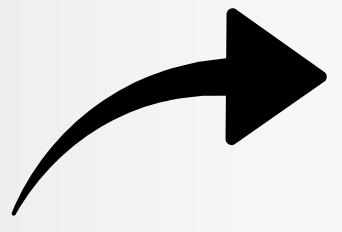
- Interfaces can have readonly properties that cannot be modified after initialization.



```
interface Point {  
readonly x: number;  
readonly y: number; }  
const point: Point = {  
x: 5, y: 10, };
```

```
// Attempting to modify a readonly property
```

```
point.x = 8; // Error: Cannot assign to 'x' because it is a  
// read-only property.
```



Function

Types

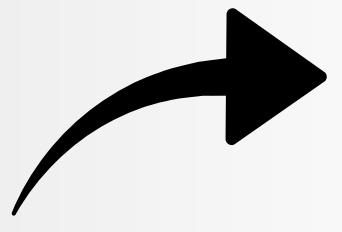
- Interfaces can define the shape of a function, including parameter types and return types.



```
interface MathOperation {  
  (x: number, y: number): number;  
};
```

```
const add: MathOperation = (x, y) => x + y;  
const subtract: MathOperation = (x, y) => x - y;
```

```
const result1 = add(5, 3); // result1 = 8  
const result2 = subtract(10, 4); // result2 = 6
```



Extending Interfaces

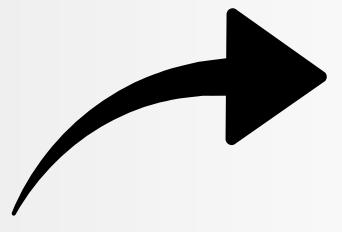
- Interfaces can extend other interfaces, inheriting their properties and adding new ones.



```
interface Shape {  
  color: string;  
};
```

```
interface Square extends Shape {  
  sideLength: number;  
};
```

```
const square: Square = {  
  color: 'red',  
  sideLength: 5,  
};
```

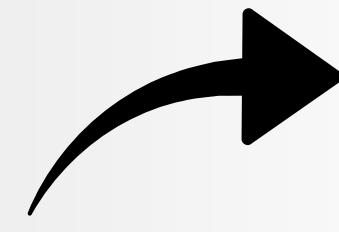


Implementing Interfaces

- Classes can implement interfaces, ensuring they adhere to the defined structure.



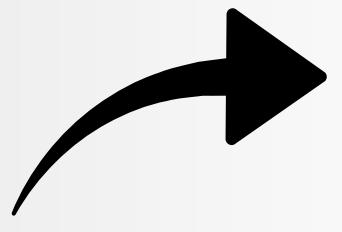
```
interface Printable {  
    print(): void;  
};  
  
class Document implements Printable {  
    print() {  
        console.log("Printing document...");  
    };  
};  
  
const doc = new Document();  
doc.print(); // "Printing document..."
```



Generic

Interfaces

- Interfaces in TypeScript can also be generic, allowing for flexibility and reusability.
- They enable the creation of interfaces that can work with different types.
- By leveraging generic interfaces, you can write versatile and type-safe code that accommodates a wide range of data types.



Example:



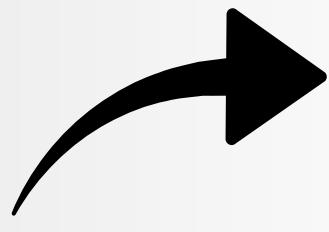
```
interface Box<T> {  
  value: T;  
};
```

```
// Usage with a specific type  
const stringBox: Box<string> = {  
  value: "Hello, world!",  
};
```

```
console.log(stringBox.value); // Output: Hello,  
//world!
```

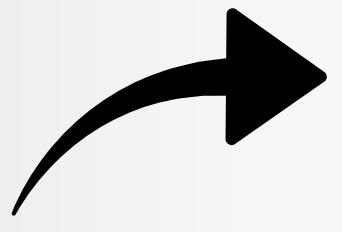
```
// Usage with another type  
const numberBox: Box<number> = {  
  value: 42,  
};
```

```
console.log(numberBox.value); // Output: 42
```



Explanation:

- In this example, we have a generic interface called **Box<T>**, which represents a simple box that can hold a value of any type T. The value property within the Box interface is of type T.
- We create an instance **stringBox** of type **Box<string>** and assign the value "Hello, world!" to it.
- The value stored in **stringBox** is accessed using the value property, which we log to the console, resulting in the output "Hello, world!".
- Similarly, we create an instance **numberBox** of type **Box<number>** and assign the value 42 to it.
- We access the value stored in **numberBox** using the value property, which we log to the console, resulting in the output 42.



Differences

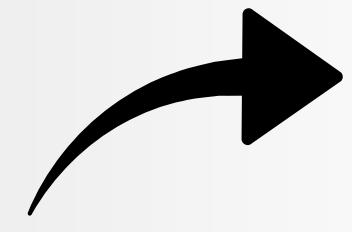
Types v/s Interfaces

- Type aliases and interfaces are very similar, and in many cases you can choose between them freely. Almost all features of an interface are available in type.



```
type Person = {  
    name: string;  
    age: number;  
};
```

```
interface Person {  
    name: string;  
    age: number;  
};
```



Types v/s Interfaces

- Interfaces support declaration merging, allowing you to define multiple interface declarations with the same name, and they are merged into a single interface with the combined properties while Types do not support declaration merging.



```
interface Person {  
  name: string;  
}  
  
interface Person {  
  age: number;  
}  
  
const person: Person = {  
  name: 'John Doe',  
  age: 30,  
};
```

```
type Person = {  
  name: string;  
};  
  
type Person = {  
  age: number;  
};  
  
// Error: Duplicate  
// identifier 'Person'.  
// in case of type
```

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