

Example 1

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**Invoke the scala compiler
to compile to bytecode**

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A class file will be created, execute
it using the scala interpreter

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Here, **object** is a
singleton object (not a
class - more later!)

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example_1a.scala

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  println("Hello world!");  
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Helloo world!
```

Invoke the scala compiler
as usual

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Example 2

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The REPL ("Read-Evaluate-Print-Loop") shell
is the interactive mode for running Scala

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Type out the
println command..

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instant gratification
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..and quit when done!

Example 3

Mutable and Immutable 'variables'

Mutable and Immutable

'variables'

'storage unit' is actually the term
we ought to use..

**An immutable variable is
not really a variable..**

**but 'variable' is easier to
understand!**

Variables are
defined using
val or var

val is similar to the
final keyword in Java

val

Designates the variable as
immutable

var

Designates the variable as
mutable

val

immutable

The variable cannot be reassigned to a new value

var

mutable

The variable can be reassigned

Every **'variable' (storage unit)** must be declared using one of these keywords

var or val

```
[scala> var radius : Double = 10  
radius: Double = 10.0
```

A Mutable variable

```
[scala> val PI : Double = 3.14  
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```

An Immutable variable

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PI: Double = 3.14
```

```
scala> PI = 22/7  
<console>:12: error: reassignment to val  
      PI = 22/7  
      ^
```

**An Immutable variable
cannot be reassigned
a new value**

var or val

```
[scala> var radius : Double = 10  
radius: Double = 10.0
```

```
[scala> radius = 12  
radius: Double = 12.0
```

A mutable variable

**can be reassigned a
new value**

but not a new type!

var or **val**

**Why does this distinction
matter?**

Immutability is an important concept in Scala

**Scala encourages the use of immutable
variables to drive side-effect free code**

var or **val**

**Why does this distinction
matter?**

**immutable storage units also help
keep code safe for concurrent/
distributed applications**

var or **val**

**Why does this distinction
matter?**

**If you know that a variable's state
should not change once it is assigned**

declare it immutable

var or **val**

**Why does this distinction
matter?**

**This makes sure that there are no
unintentional state changes to the variable**

**It makes maintaining code
far easier**

Example 4

Type Inference

Scala Type Inference

We will see the full power - and complexity - of Type Inference later..

..but for now here are some simple examples of how it works

Scala Type Inference

here are some simple examples of how it works

Variable types can often be omitted

Function return types can often be omitted

Polymorphic method calls and generic class
instantiations can often be omitted

Variable types can often be omitted

```
scala> var radius = 10.0  
radius: Double = 10.0
```

No type is specified for the variable **radius**

But Scala type inference sees the value of **10.0**

And infers the type is **Double**

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```
scala> var radius2 = 10  
radius2: Int = 10
```

No type is specified for the variable **radius**

But Scala type inference sees the value of **10**

And infers the type is **Int**

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```
[scala> var radius:Double = 10  
radius: Double = 10.0
```

The assigned value is **10**

Scala type inference would infer this is an **Int**

to get around this, explicitly specify type **Double**

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```
scala> var radius:Int = 10.0  
<console>:11: error: type mismatch;  
found      : Double(10.0)  
required:  Int  
var radius:Int = 10.0
```

The assigned value is 10.0

Scala type inference would
infer this is an **Double**

But, the explicitly specified
type is **Int**

Higher rank value with lower rank type? Result
error: type mismatch

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```
scala> var radius:Double = "10.0"  
<console>:11: error: type mismatch;  
found    : String("10.0")  
required: Double  
      var radius:Double = "10.0"  
                           ^
```

Type is explicitly specified as **Double**

But the assigned value is a string **"10.0"**

The result is an **error: type mismatch**

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Backstory:

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Languages

Java, C, C++

Dynamically
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Python, Javascript

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Scala seeks to get the best
of both worlds

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Usual String Operations

```
scala> val name = "Vitthal"  
name: String = Vitthal
```

```
scala> val greeting = "Hello"  
greeting: String = Hello
```

```
scala> greeting + name  
res2: String = HelloVitthal
```

```
scala> greeting + "\n" + name  
res3: String =  
Hello  
Vitthal
```

Usual String Operations

```
[scala> val complicatedGreeting = """"You are amazing,  
[      | incredible,  
[      | YUGE  
[      | and ever so gracious  
[      | """"  
complicatedGreeting: String =  
"You are amazing,  
incredible,  
YUGE  
and ever so gracious  
"
```

You can create multi-line strings
using triple quotes `"""`

Usual String Operations

```
[scala> val PI = "Pi"  
PI: String = Pi
```

```
[scala> val PI2 = "Pi"  
PI2: String = Pi
```

```
[scala> PI == PI2  
res10: Boolean = true
```

Unlike in Java, it is safe to compare
strings using ==

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Scala will resolve those variable
names in the output

String interpolation using `s""`

```
scala> s"${greeting*2}, $name, How are you today?"  
res7: String = HelloHello, Vitthal, How are you today?
```

You can create formulae using `{ }`

Here, for instance, the string repeats,
due to the `*2`

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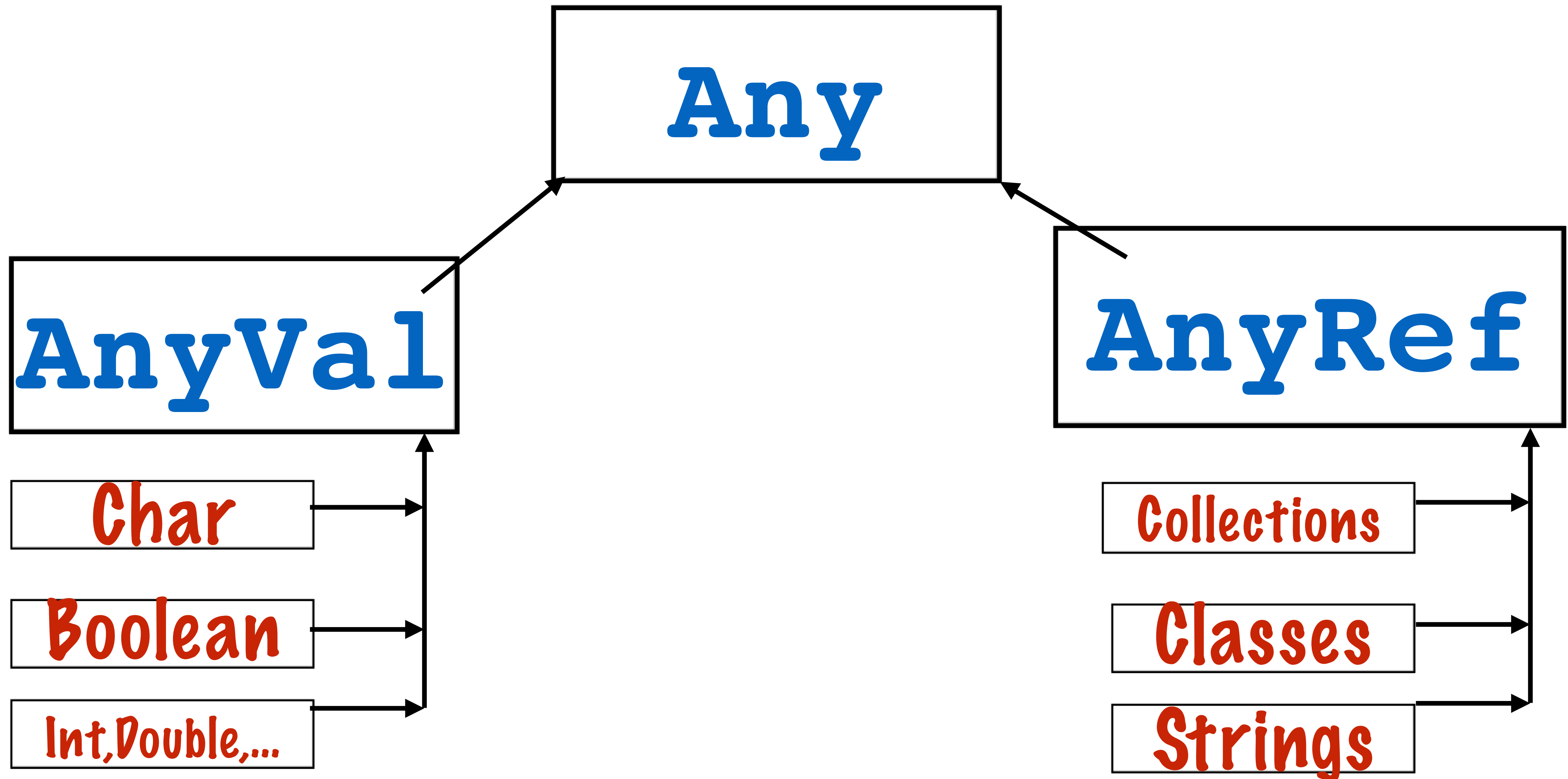
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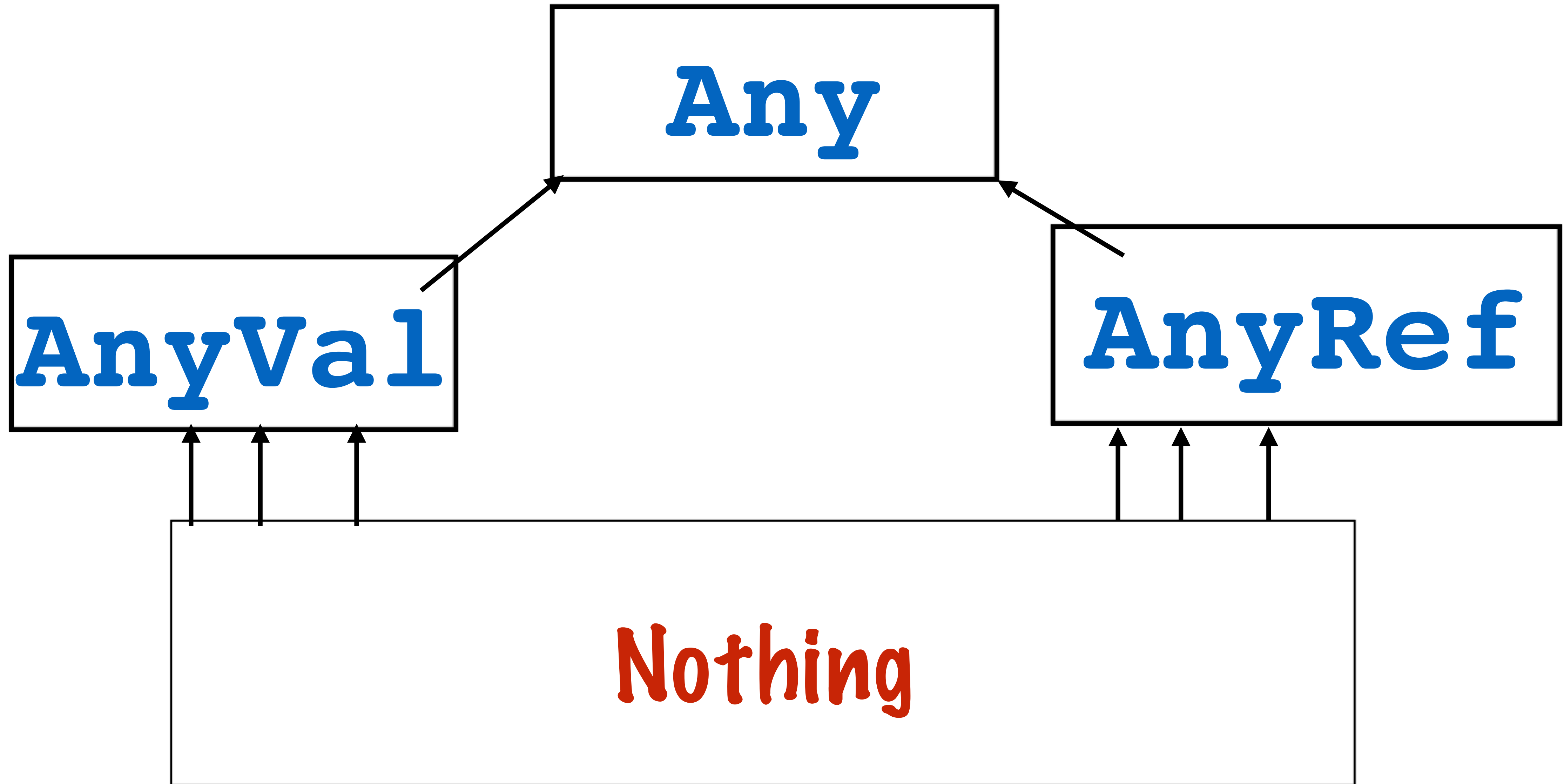
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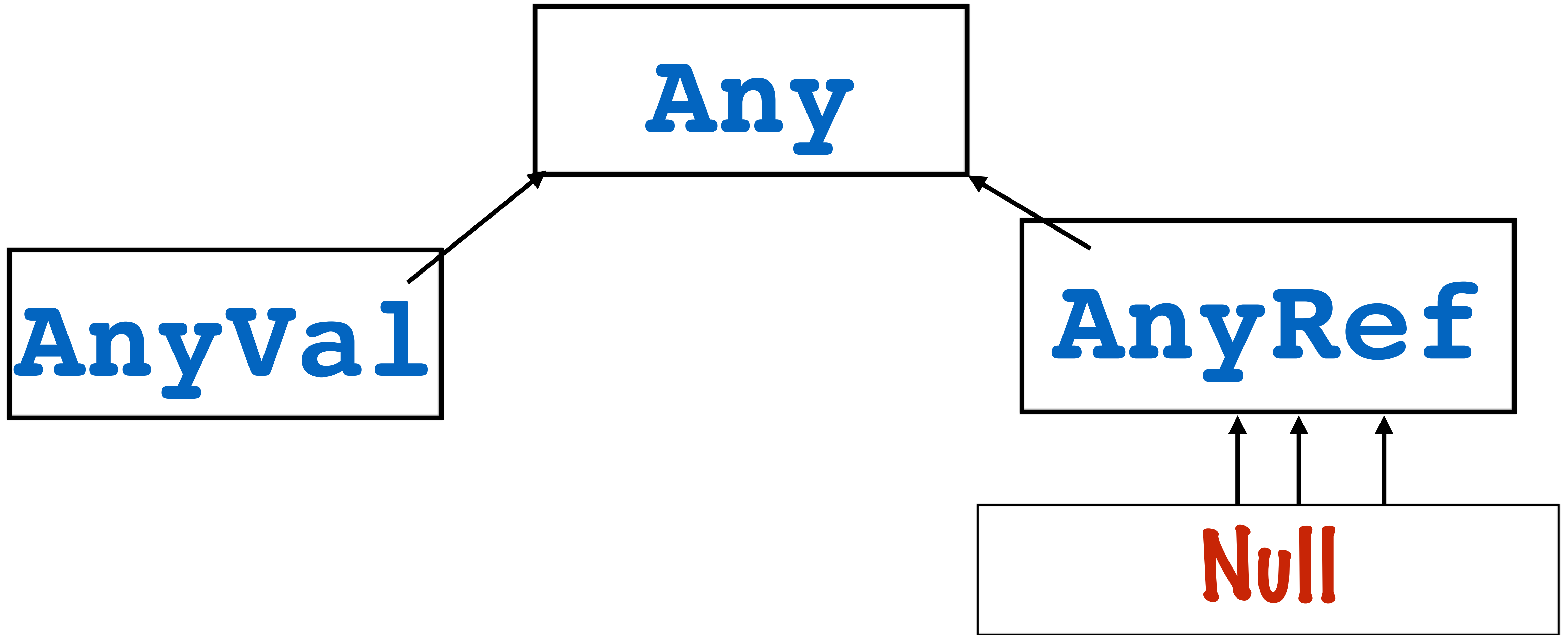
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Instantiate 2 values

```
[scala> val someVal = 5  
someVal: Int = 5
```

```
[scala> val someRef = new Object  
someRef: Object = java.lang.Object@1de0a46c
```

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Java inter-op in action

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scala> def printAny(x: Any) = println(x)
printAny: (x: Any)Unit
```

**printAny will work with
either of these values**

```
scala> printAny(someVal)
5
```

```
scala> printAny(someRef)
java.lang.Object@1de0a46c
```



```
[scala> def printAnyVal(y: AnyVal) = println(y)
printAnyVal: (y: AnyVal)Unit
```

**printAnyVal will work
only with the value type...**

```
[scala> printAnyVal(someVal)
5
```

```
[scala> printAnyVal(someRef)
<console>:14: error: type mismatch;
 found   : Object
 required: AnyVal
```

Note that implicit conversions are not applicable because they are ambiguous:
both method ArrowAssoc in object Predef of type [A](self: A)ArrowAssoc[A]
and method Ensuring in object Predef of type [A](self: A)Ensuring[A]
are possible conversion functions from Object to AnyVal

```
    printAnyVal(someRef)
                  ^
```

```
scala> def printAnyRef(z: AnyRef) = println(z)
printAnyRef: (z: AnyRef)Unit
```

**printAnyRef will work
only with the ref type...**

```
[scala> printAnyRef(someRef)
java.lang.Object@1de0a46c
```

```
[scala> printAnyRef(someVal)
```

```
<console>:14: error: the result type of an implicit conversion must be more specific than AnyRef
    printAnyRef(someVal)
                ^
```


Example 7

Emptiness in Scala

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null

Null

Nothing

Nil

None

Unit

Emptiness in Scala

null

basically, the same as
null in Java

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```
[scala> val x:String = null  
x: String = null
```

```
[scala> if (x == null) println("null") else println("not null")  
null
```

reference types can be null,
but value types can not

null

basically, the same as null in Java

reference types can be null,
but value types can not

```
[scala> val z:Int = null
<console>:11: error: an expression of type Null is ineligible for implicit conversion
      val z:Int = null
                  ^
```

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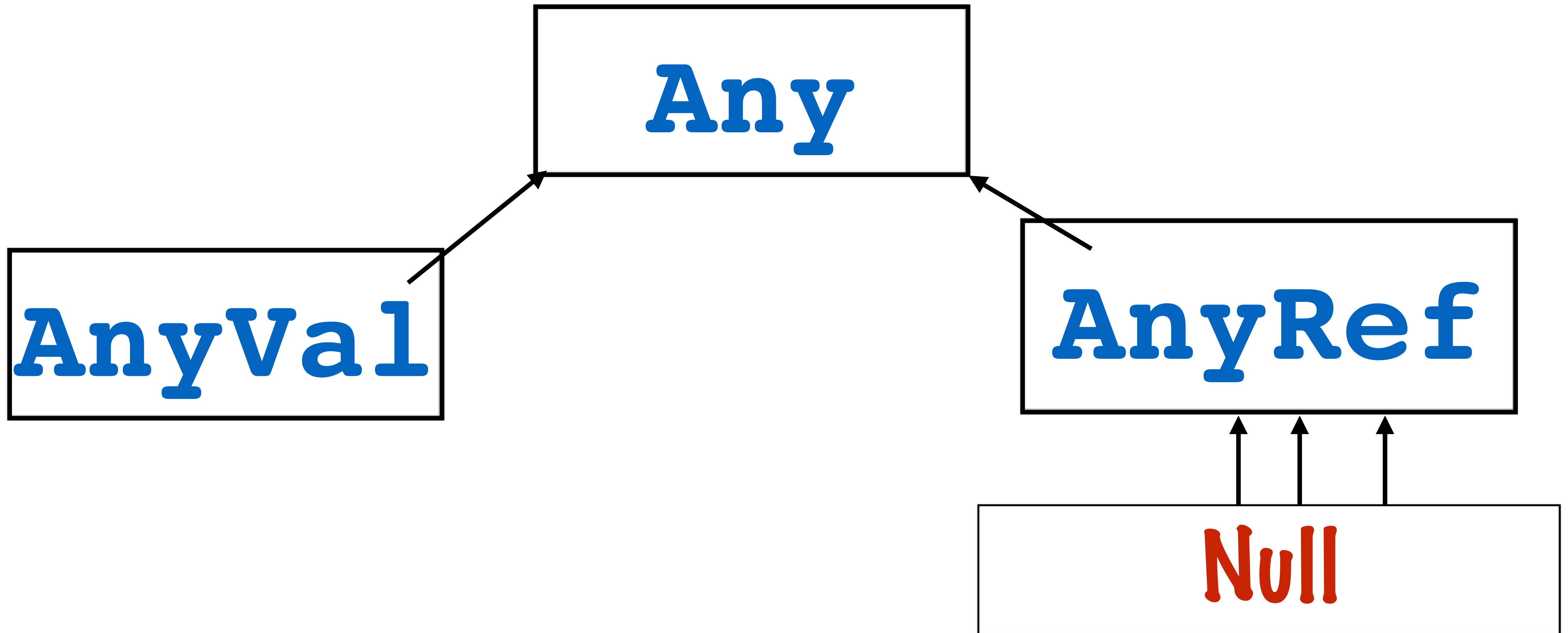
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Emptiness in Scala

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```
scala> val emptyList = List()  
emptyList: List[Nothing] = List()
```

Nothing can never be instantiated..

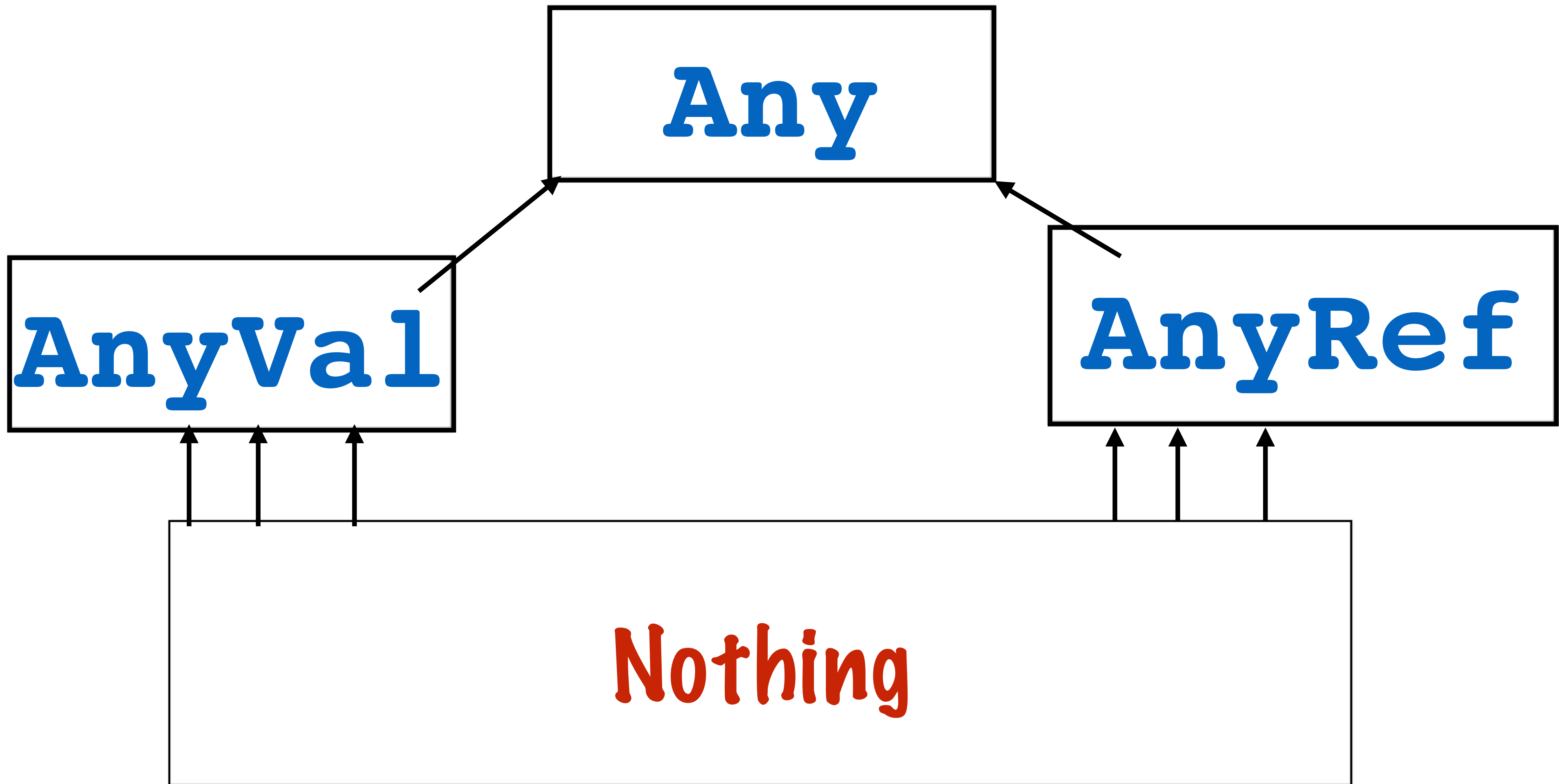
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Nothing *can never be instantiated..*

Nothing *'extends everything'*

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Emptiness in Scala

Nil

Nil is a special value associated
with an empty **List**

Nil is a singleton instance
of **List [Nothing]**

Emptiness in Scala

Nil

```
scala> val someList = List(1,2,3,4)  
someList: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3, 4)
```

```
scala> var listIter = someList  
listIter: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3, 4)
```

Lists are internally represented as linked lists, and use this special value to signify the end of the list

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```

Nil

```
scala> while (listIter != Nil) {
|   println(listIter.head);
|   listIter = listIter.tail
| }
```

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scala> fraction(100,0)
res5: Option[Double] = None
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[scala> fraction(22,7)
res4: Option[Double] = Some(3.142857142857143)
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```
scala> def printAny(x:Any) {println(x)}  
printAny: (x: Any)Unit
```

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Example 8

Type Operations

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asInstanceOf

```
[scala> 123.asInstanceOf[Long]  
res16: Long = 123
```

```
[scala> 123.24.asInstanceOf[Long]  
res17: Long = 123
```

asInstanceOf

```
scala> "123.24".asInstanceOf[Long]
java.lang.ClassCastException: java.lang.String cannot be cast to java.lang.Long
    at scala.runtime.BoxesRunTime.unboxToLong(BoxesRunTime.java:105)
    ... 32 elided
```

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```
scala> 123.toLong  
res24: Long = 123
```

```
scala> 123.24.toLong  
res25: Long = 123
```

```
scala> "123".toLong  
res26: Long = 123
```


to<Type>

```
[scala> "123".toLong  
res49: Long = 123
```

```
[scala> "abc".toLong  
java.lang.NumberFormatException: For input string: "abc"  
  at java.lang.NumberFormatException.forInputString(NumberFormatException.java:65)  
  at java.lang.Long.parseLong(Long.java:589)  
  at java.lang.Long.parseLong(Long.java:631)  
  at scala.collection.immutable.StringLike$class.toLong(StringLike.scala:276)  
  at scala.collection.immutable.StringOps.toLong(StringOps.scala:29)  
  ... 32 elided
```

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```
[scala> 123.isInstanceOf[Long]  
res29: Boolean = false
```

```
[scala> 123.toLong.isInstanceOf[Long]  
res30: Boolean = true
```

```
[scala> 123.isInstanceOf[Any]  
res31: Boolean = true
```

isInstanceOf

```
scala> "123".isInstanceOf[Any]  
res33: Boolean = true
```

```
scala> "123".isInstanceOf[AnyRef]  
res34: Boolean = true
```

isInstanceOf

```
[scala> null.isInstanceOf[Null]  
<console>:12: error: type Null cannot be used in a type pattern or isInstanceOf  
test  
    null.isInstanceOf[Null]  
                      ^
```

```
[scala> 123.isInstanceOf[AnyVal]  
<console>:12: error: type AnyVal cannot be used in a type pattern or isInstanceOf  
f test  
    123.isInstanceOf[AnyVal]  
                  ^
```


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```
scala> 123.getClass  
res39: Class[Int] = int
```

```
scala> 123.toLong.getClass  
res40: Class[Long] = long
```

```
scala> "123".getClass  
res41: Class[_ <: String] = class java.lang.String
```

```
scala> List(12,3).getClass  
res42: Class[_ <: List[Int]] = class scala.collection.immutable.$colon$colon
```