

Generics and the Type Level

Type level programming

```
type AType = SomeOtherType
```

```
type _check = AssertAssignable<any, number>;
```

```
const foo = 1;
```

```
type FooType = typeof foo; // FooType is number
```

Subscripting Types

```
type 0 = {  
    foo: number,  
    bar: string  
}
```

```
type _1 = AssertAssignable<number, 0['foo']>
```

```
type _2 = AssertAssignable<string, 0['bar']>
```

```
type _3 = AssertAssignable<number | string, 0['foo' | 'bar']>
```

keyof and subscripting unions

```
type 0 = {  
  foo: number,  
  bar: string  
}
```

```
type _1 = AssertAssignable<'foo' | 'bar', keyof 0>
```

```
type _2 = AssertAssignable<number | string, 0['foo' | 'bar']>
```

```
type _3 = AssertAssignable<number | string, 0[keyof 0]>
```

Generics

```
type LList<T> = Cons<T> | null;
interface Cons<T> {
  value: T;
  rest: LList<T>;
}
const numberList: LList<number> = {
  value: 1,
  rest: {
    value: 2,
    rest: null
  }
};
```

Generic functions

```
function first<T>(list: LLList<T>): T {  
    return list.value;  
}
```

```
// The type variable `T` is derived from the type of `lList`  
const val = first(numberList);  
// val is statically known to be a number
```

Generic type constraints

```
export type AssertAssignable<T1, T2 extends T1> = never;
```

```
function get<T extends object, K extends keyof T>(obj: T, key: K): T[K] {  
    return obj[key];  
}
```

```
const x = get({foo: 1}, 'foo')
```

```
type _1 = AssertAssignable<number, typeof x>
```

Exercise 7

- Start with some basic type-level programming and work toward increasing sophistication.
- We'll finish with generics in the last exercise.
- Comment out each test after making it pass. The prior tests will break when you make subsequent tests pass.