

# 1. Delphi

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## 1.1. Data types

### 1.1.1. Integers

```
var
  Int1 : Byte;           // 0 to 255
  Int2 : ShortInt;       // -127 to 127
  Int3 : Word;           // 0 to 65,535
  Int4 : SmallInt;       // -32,768 to 32,767
  Int5 : LongWord;       // 0 to 4,294,967,295
  Int6 : Cardinal;       // 0 to 4,294,967,295
  Int7 : LongInt;        // -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
  Int8 : Integer;        // -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
  Int9 : Int64;          // -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
```

### 1.1.2. Decimals

```
var
  Dec1 : Single;         // 7 significant digits, exponent -38 to +38
  Dec2 : Currency;       // 50+ significant digits, fixed 4 decimal places
  Dec3 : Double;         // 15 significant digits, exponent -308 to +308
  Dec4 : Extended;       // 19 significant digits, exponent -4932 to +4932
```

### 1.1.3. Texts

```

var
  Str1 : Char;           // Holds a single character, small alphabet
  Str2 : WideChar;       // Holds a single character, International alphabet
  Str3 : AnsiChar;       // Holds a single character, small alphabet
  Str4 : ShortString;    // Holds a string of up to 255 Char's
  Str5 : String;         // Holds strings of Char's of any size desired
  Str6 : AnsiString;     // Holds strings of AnsiChar's any size desired
  Str7 : WideString;    // Holds strings of WideChar's of any size desired

```

#### 1.1.4. Logical

```

var
  Log1 : Boolean;        // Can be 'True' or 'False'

```

#### 1.1.5. Sets, enumerations and subtypes

```

type
  TSuit = (Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs, Spades); // Defines the enumeration
var
  suit : TSuit;                               // An enumeration variable

```

Sets are often confused with enumerations.

An **enumeration variable** can have **only one of the enumerated values**.

A **set** can have **none, 1, some, or all of the set values**.

```

type
  TWeek = Set of 1..7; // Set comprising the days of the week, by number
var
  week : TWeek;
begin
  week := [1,2,3,4,5]; // Switch on the first 5 days of the week
end;

```

##### 1.1.5.1. Enumerations = **enum**

```

type
  TSuit = (Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs, Spades); // Defines enumeration range
var
  suit : TSuit;                               // Defines enumeration variable
begin

```

```
suit := Clubs;           // Set to one of the values
end;
```

The TSuit type definition creates a new Delphi data type that we can use as a type for any new variable in our program.

```
type
  TDay = (Mon=1, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun); // Enumeration values
var
  today : TDay;
  weekend : Boolean;
begin
  today := Wed;           // Set today to be Wednesday

  if today > Fri           // Ask if it is a weekend day
  then weekend := true
  else weekend := false;
end;
```

**today** is set to **Wed** which has ordinal value = 3 **weekend** is set to **false** since **Wed** (3) <= **Fri** (5)

```
type
  TDay = (Mon=1, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun); // Enumeration values
var
  day : TDay;           // Enumeration variable
begin
  for day := Mon to Fri do
  begin
    // day has each of the values Mon to Fri ( 1 to 5) in 5 iterations
    // of this loop, allowing you to whatever you want.
  end;
end;
```

**Warning** : each of the values in an enumeration must be unique in a program. This restriction allows you to assign an enumeration value without having to qualify the type it is defined in.

### 1.1.5.2. SubRanges

```
type
  TSmallNum = 0..9;
var
  smallNum : TSmallNum;
begin
  smallNum := 5;    // Allowed
  smallNum := 10;   // Not allowed
```

```

    smallNum := -1;    // Not allowed
end;

```

Delphi will not compile code that has assignments outside of the given range.

Subranges of characters:

```

type
    TUpper = 'A'..'Z';
    TLower = 'a'..'z';
    TDigit = '0'..'9';
var
    upper : TUpper;
    lower : TLower;
    digit : TDigit;
begin
    upper := 'G';    // Allowed
    lower := 'g';    // Allowed
    digit := '7';    // Allowed

    upper := 'g';    // Not allowed
    lower := '7';    // Not allowed
    digit := 4;      // Not allowed
end;

```

Subrange of enumerations:

```

type
    TDay = (Mon=1, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);    // Enumeration values
    TWeekDays = Mon..Fri;                            // Enumeration subranges
    TWeekend = Sat..Sun;

```

### 1.1.5.3. Sets

```

type
    TDigits = set of '1'..'9';    // Set of numeric digit characters
var
    digits : TDigits;            // Set variable
    myChar : char;
begin
    // At the start, digits has all set values switched off
    // So let us switch some on. Notice how we can switch on single
    // values, and ranges, all in the one assignment:
    digits := ['2', '4'..'7'];

    // Now we can test to see what we have set on:
    for myChar := '1' to '9' do

```

```

if myChar In digits
then ShowMessageFmt(''%s'' is in digits',[myChar])
else ShowMessageFmt(''%s'' is not in digits',[myChar])
end;

```

The **In** operator tests to see if a set contains a value.

The data shown is as follows:

```

'1' is not in digits
'2' is in digits
'3' is not in digits
'4' is in digits
'5' is in digits
'6' is in digits
'7' is in digits
'8' is not in digits
'9' is not in digits

```

#### 1.1.5.3.1. Including and excluding set values

**Include** (switch on) or **exclude** (switch off) individual values without affecting other values.

```

type
  // We define a set by type - bytes have the range : 0 to 255
  TNums = set of Byte;
var
  nums : TNums;
begin
  nums := [20..50];      // Switch on a range of 31 values
  Include(nums, 12);     // Switch on an additional value : 12
  Exclude(nums, 35);     // Switch off a value : 35
end;

```

**nums** now has the following values set : 12 , 20..34 , 36..50

#### 1.1.5.3.2. Set operators

operator	description
+	union of two sets
*	intersection of two sets
-	difference of two sets
=	tests for identical sets

operator	description
<>	tests for non-identical sets
>=	is one set a subset of another
<=	is one set a superset of another

```
type
  TNums = set of 1..9;
var
  nums1, nums2, nums3, nums4, nums5, nums6 : TNums;
begin
  nums1 := [1,2,3];
  nums2 := [1,2,4];
  nums3 := [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9];

  nums4 := nums1 + nums2;    // nums4 now [1,2,3,4]
  nums5 := nums1 * nums2;    // nums5 now [1,2]
  nums6 := nums1 - nums2;    // nums6 now [3]

  // Test for equality
  if nums1 = nums2
  then ShowMessage('nums1 = nums2')
  else ShowMessage('nums1 <> nums2');

  // Test for inequality
  if nums1 <> nums3
  then ShowMessage('nums1 <> nums3')
  else ShowMessage('nums1 = nums3');

  // Is nums1 a subset of nums3?
  if nums1 <= nums3
  then ShowMessage('nums1 is a subset of nums3')
  else ShowMessage('nums1 is not a subset of nums3');

  // Is nums1 a superset of nums3?
  if nums1 >= nums3
  then ShowMessage('nums1 is a superset of nums3')
  else ShowMessage('nums1 is not a superset of nums3');
end;
```

### Output:

```
nums1 <> nums2
nums1 <> nums3
nums1 is a subset of nums3
nums1 is not a superset of nums3
```

## 1.1.6. Compound data types

### 1.1.6.1. Arrays

```
var
  Suits : array[1..4] of String;    // A list of 4 playing card suit names

begin
  Suits[1] := 'Hearts';    // Assigning to array index 1
  Suits[2] := 'Diamonds';  // Assigning to array index 2
  Suits[3] := 'Clubs';     // Assigning to array index 3
  Suits[4] := 'Spades';    // Assigning to array index 4
end;
```

The array defined above has indexes 1 to 4 (1..4). The two dots indicate a range.

### 1.1.6.2. Records

*Like a **class** or a **struct**, but not because there are other data types for object oriented things*

```
type
  TCustomer Record
    firstName : string[20];
    lastName  : string[20];
    age       : byte;
end;
```

```
var
  customer : TCustomer;           // Our customer variable
begin
  customer.firstName := 'Fred';    // Assigning to the customer record
  customer.lastName  := 'Bloggs';
  customer.age       := 55;
end;
```

#### Output:

customer.firstName is now set to 'Fred'

customer.lastName is now set to 'Bloggs'

customer.age is now set to 55

## 1.2. Programming logic