

# Zig 0.13

## Entry Point

```
pub fn main() void {
    std.debug.print("Hello
    ↪ world!\n", .{});
}
```

## Basic

### Variable

```
var n: u8 = 50;
```

### Constant

```
const pi: u32 = 314159;
```

### Array

```
var array = [_]u8{ 1,
    ↪ 0b0000010, 0x03, 0o04 };
```

### Array addition

```
var array_result = array_a
    ↪ ++ array_b;
```

### Array repetition

```
var array_result = array_a
    ↪ ** 3;
```

### Pointer

```
const pointer: *u8 = &n;
```

### Pointer dereferencing

```
var n: u8 = pointer.*;
```

### Pointer access

```
var n: u8 =
    ↪ struct_pointer.a;
```

### Slice

```
var slice = array[0..3]; //
    ↪ 1, 2, 3
```

### Sentinel

```
const ptr: [*:0]u32 = &nums;
```

### Tuple (anonymous struct)

```
const tuple = .{true, false,
    ↪ @as(i32, 42), @as(f32,
    ↪ 3.141592), };
```

### Anonymous list

```
const hello: [5]u8 = .{ 'h',
    ↪ 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o' };
```

### Bit manipulation

```
const res1 = numOne >> 4;
const res2 = numOne << 4;
const res3 = numOne &
    ↪ numTwo;
const res4 = numOne |
    ↪ numTwo;
const res5 = numOne ^
    ↪ numTwo;
```

## Datatypes

**Unsigned Integer** u8, u16, u32, u64

**Integer** i8, i16, i32, i64

**Float** f16, f32, f64, f80, f128

**String** []u8

**Bool** bool

**Pointer** \*u8

**Pointer to Constant** \*const u8

**Slice** []const u8, []u8

**Many-Pointer**(length is lost) [\*]const u8, [\*]u8

**Sentinel Array** (array ends with specific character) [:0]u8

**Sentinel Array Pointer** [\*:0]u8

## Type Coercion

```
var array: [3]u8 =
    ↪ pointer_to_array.*
var sentinel_array: [3:0]u8
    ↪ =
    ↪ pointer_to_sentinel_array.*;
var pointer = slice.ptr;
var sentinel_pointer: [*:0]
    ↪ = sentinel_slice.ptr;

var pointer_to_array * [3]u8
    ↪ =
    ↪ pointer_to_sentinel_array;
var sentinel_slice [:0]u8 =
    ↪ pointer_to_sentinel_array;
var slice: []u8 =
    ↪ sentinel_slice;
```

```

var slice: []u8 =
↳ pointer_to_array;
var sentinel_pointer:
↳ [*:0]u8 =
↳ pointer_to_sentinel_array;
var pointer: [*]u8 =
↳ sentinel_ptr;
var array: [3]u8 =
↳ sentinel_array;

//indirect coercion
var slice []u8 =
↳ pointer_to_sentinel_array;
var pointer: [*]u8 =
↳ pointer_to_sentinel_array

//other
var slice: []u8 =
↳ std.mem.spanZ(sentinel_pointer);

```

## Strings

### String [\_]u8 Multiline String

```

var string =
    \\Line 1
    \\Line 2

```

## Unions

### Definitions

```

const Data = union {
    index: u16,
    link: bool,
};

```

## Access/Reassignment

```

var node = Data{ .link =
↳ true }; //OK
const node_n = node.index;
↳ //Crash
node = Data{ .index = 1};
↳ //OK

```

## Tagged Union

```

const Data =
↳ union(DataType){
    index: u16,
    link: bool,
};
const Data = union(enum){
    index: u16,
    link: bool,
};

```

## Unpack Tagged Union (Values in switch statement are enum values)

```

switch (node) {
    .link => |l| ...,
    .index => |i|,
    inline else => |x| ...,
}

```

## Optionals

### Optional can be value or null Definition

```

const value: ?u8 = null;

```

### Assignment (0 if value is null)

```

const value_b: u8 = value
↳ orelse 0;

```

## Forcing value to be not null

```

const value_b: u8 = value
↳ orelse unreachable;

```

## Extraction

```

const value_b: u8 = value.?;

```

## Error

### Error Definition

```

const SpecialError = error{
    NoNumber,
    DivisionByZero,
    InfError,
};

```

### Error Union Variable can be either error or datatype

```

var number_or_error:
↳ SpecialError!u8 = 5;

```

### Error Catching

```

return funcWithError(n)
↳ catch |err| {
    if (err ==
↳ SpecialError.
↳ DivisonByZero) {
        return 0;
    }
    return err;
};

```

### Standard Error Catching

```

funcWithError(n) catch |err|
↳ return err;
try funcWithError(n);

```

### Error Extraction

```
const n = funcWithError();
if (n) |value| {
} else |err| switch (err) {}
```

### Error Packaging

```
const SpecialError =
↳ SpecialErrorA ||
↳ SpecialErrorB;
```

## Enums

### Definition

```
const Fruit = enum { APPLE,
↳ BANANA, STRAWBERRY, };
const Fruit = enum(u8) {
↳ APPLE = 1, BANANA = 2,
↳ };
```

## Structs

### Definition

```
const Picture = struct {
width: u32 = 10,
height: u32 = 10,
data: [_]u32,
};

//in-memory layout matching
↳ the C ABI
const Picture = extern
↳ struct {...}
```

```
//guaranteed in-memory
↳ layout (no padding,
↳ order, ...)
const Picture = packed
↳ struct {...}
```

### Declaration

```
var pic = Picture {
.width = 10,
.height = 10,
.data = {...},
};
```

**Access** pic.data = {...};

### Method

```
const Picture = struct {
width: u32,
height: u32,
pub fn empty() Picture {
...
}
pub fn mirrorX(self:
↳ *Picture ) void {
...
}
};
Picture.empty();
pic.mirrorX();
```

### Anonymous struct

```
fn Circle(comptime T: type)
↳ type {
return struct {
center_x: T,
center_y: T,
```

```
radius: T,
};
}
```

## Flow Control

### If Statement

```
if (foo) {
    std.debug.print("True!\n",
        ↪ .{});
} else {
    std.debug.print("False!\n",
        ↪ .{});
}
```

### If Assignment

```
const value: u8 = if
    ↪ (correct) 1 else 2;
```

### While loop

```
while (condition) {}
```

### While-Loop with continue expression

```
while (condition) : (n*=2)
    ↪ {}
```

### Continue loop

```
while (condition) : (n*=2) {
    if (n % 2 == 0) continue;
}
```

### Break loop

```
while (true) : (n*=2) {
    if (n % 2 == 0) break;
}
```

### For-Loop

```
for (array) |a| {
    std.debug.print("{} ",
        ↪ .{a});
}
for (array, 0..) |a, i| {
    std.debug.print("{} at
        ↪ index {}", .{a, i});
}
for (1..20) |n| {...}
for (hex_nums, dec_nums)
    ↪ |hn, dn| {...}
```

### Switch-Statement

```
switch (c) {
    1 => std.debug.print("A",
        ↪ .{}),
    2 => std.debug.print("B",
        ↪ .{}),
    else =>
        ↪ std.debug.print("?",
        ↪ .{})
}
```

### Switch-Assignment

```
const character: u8 = switch
    ↪ (c) {
    1 => 'A',
    2 => 'B',
    else => '!'
};
foo: switch (@as(u8, 1)) {
    1 => continue :foo 2,
    2 => continue :foo 3,
    3 => return,
    4 => {},
}
```

```
}
```

### Loop-Assignment

```
const index: ?u8 = for
    ↪ (langs, 0..) |lang, i| {
    if (lang.len == 2) break
        ↪ i;
    } else null;
```

### Lables

```
const value = outer_loop:
    ↪ for (wave) |v| {
    for (v.frequency, 0..) |f,
        ↪ i| {
        if (f.frequency == 0)
            ↪ continue :food_loop;
    }
    } else wave[0];
```

## Functions

### Function

```
fn func(argument: u32) u32 {  
    return argument;  
}
```

### Pass By Reference

```
fn func(argument: *u32)  
↳ void{  
    argument = 0;  
}
```

### Function with possible Error

```
fn func(argument: u32)  
↳ SpecialError!u32 {  
    ...  
    return  
    ↳ u32SpecialError.InfError;  
  
    ...  
    return argument;  
}
```

### Generic function:

```
fn makeSequence(comptime T:  
↳ anytype) void {}
```

?

### Defer (Put an statement to end of block)

```
std.debug.print("(", .{});  
defer std.debug.print(")",  
↳ .{});
```

```
printVector(vec);
```

### Error defer

```
fn funcWithError()  
↳ SpecialError!u32 {  
    // print if function exits  
    ↳ with an error:  
    errdefer  
    ↳ std.debug.print("failed!\n",  
    ↳ .{});  
}
```

**Unreachable** (Make specific blocks unreachable -> defined program crash)

```
switch (op) {  
    else => unreachable  
}
```

**Undefined** (Access of undefined variables is not allowed)

```
var n: u8 = undefined;
```

**Quoted Identifier** (Put an statement to end of block) @"123\_nums"

### Tests

```
test "add" {  
    try testing.expect(add(41,  
    ↳ 1) == 42);  
    try testing.↳  
    ↳ expectError(error.↳  
    ↳ DivisionByZero,  
    ↳ divide(15, 0));  
}
```

## Async

### BuiltIn

**Get the innermost struct/enum/union**

```
@This()
```

### Typeinfo:

```
@typeInfo(Narcissus).↳  
↳ @"struct".fields;  
pub const StructField =  
↳ struct {  
    name: []const u8,  
    type: type,  
    default_value:  
    ↳ anytype,  
    is_comptime: bool,  
    alignment:  
    ↳ comptime_int,  
};
```

### Compile Time logging

```
@compileLog("Count at  
↳ compile time: ");
```

**Compile Time Inheritance(?)** (Returns true if type has a method with given name)

```
@hasDecl(Type, "function");
```

### Import c header file

```
const c = @cImport({  
    @cInclude("unistd.h");  
});
```

## Vector

```
@Vector(len: comptime_int,  
↳ Element: type)
```

## Absoulte Value

```
@abs(value: anytype)
```

## Transform vector to scalar

```
@reduce(comptime op:  
↳ std.builtin.ReduceOp,  
↳ value: anytype)
```

## Comptime

### Compile time loop

```
inline for (fields) |field| {  
    if (field.type != void) {  
        print(" {s}",  
↳ .{field.name});  
    }  
}
```

### Compile time variable

```
comptime var scale: u32 =  
↳ undefined;
```

### Compile time function

```
fn makeSequence(comptime T:  
↳ type, comptime size:  
↳ usize) [size]T {}
```

### Compile time block

```
comptime {...}
```

## C Interaction

### Standard Library

#### Import Std

#### Index of

```
@import("std").mem.indexOf;
```

#### Std out

```
const stdout =  
↳ std.io.getStdOut().writer();  
stdout.print("Hello  
↳ world!\n", .{});
```

#### Fmt (Variabletype:filler(Alignment: <>)Space)

```
print("{s:*~20}\n",  
↳ .{"Hello!"});
```

#### Tokenizer

```
var it =  
↳ std.mem.tokenizeAny(u8,  
↳ poem, " ,;!\n");
```

#### Threads

```
const handle = try  
↳ std.Thread.spawn(.{},  
↳ thread_function, .{1})  
defer handle.join();
```

#### Filesystem

```
const cwd: std.fs.Dir =  
↳ std.fs.cwd();
```

```
cwd.makeDir("dir") catch |e|  
↳ switch (e) {...}  
var output_dir: std.fs.Dir =  
↳ cwd.openDir("dir", .{});  
defer output_dir.close();  
const file: std.fs.File =  
↳ try  
↳ output_dir.createFile("file.txt",  
↳ .{});  
defer file.close();  
const byte_written = try  
↳ file.write("File  
↳ Opened");
```

## Allocation

### Arena Allocator

```
var arena = std.heap.┘  
↳ ArenaAllocator.┘  
↳ init(std.heap.┘  
↳ page_allocator);  
defer arena.deinit();  
const allocator =  
↳ arena.allocator();  
const avg: []f64 = try  
↳ allocator.alloc(f64, 5);
```

### General purpose allocator

```
var gpa = heap.┘  
↳ GeneralPurposeAllocator(.┘  
↳ {}){};  
defer if (gpa.detectLeaks())  
↳ log.err("Memory leak  
↳ detected!", .{});
```

```
const alloc =  
    ↪ gpa allocator();
```

## Build System

### Fetch Dependency

```
zig fetch --save=vaxis  
    ↪ https://github.com/ ↵  
    ↪ rockorager/libvaxis/ ↵  
    ↪ archive/refs/tags/ ↵  
    ↪ v0.5.1.tar.gz
```

## Commands

### New Project

```
zig init
```

## Examples

### Create map with names of enum

```
pub const entity_names: std.StaticStringMap(EntityType) = EnumStrMap(EntityType);
pub fn EnumStrMap(V: type) std.StaticStringMap(V) {
    comptime {
        const field = @typeInfo(V).Enum.fields;
        const array_type = struct { [:0]const u8, V };
        var array: [field.len]array_type = undefined;
        for (field, 0..) |f, i| {
            array[i] = array_type{ f.name, @as(V, @enumFromInt(f.value)) };
        }
        return std.StaticStringMap(V).initComptime(array);
    }
}
```

## Links/Documentation

- [Zig Documentation 0.14](#)
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