

Detailed TypeScript Notes: From Basic to Advanced

TypeScript is a superset of JavaScript that adds optional static typing to the language. It compiles to plain JavaScript, meaning any valid JavaScript code is also valid TypeScript code.

1. Introduction to TypeScript

What is TypeScript?

TypeScript is an open-source language developed by Microsoft. It extends JavaScript by adding static type definitions, which allows for early detection of errors during development rather than at runtime.

Why Use TypeScript?

- **Static Type Checking:** Catches errors during compilation, reducing runtime bugs.
- **Improved Readability and Maintainability:** Types make code easier to understand and refactor, especially in large codebases.
- **Enhanced Tooling:** Better IDE support (autocompletion, refactoring, code navigation).
- **Better Collaboration:** Clearer contracts between different parts of the codebase.
- **Scalability:** Ideal for large-scale applications where JavaScript can become unwieldy.

Setting Up TypeScript

To use TypeScript, you need Node.js and npm (or yarn) installed.

1. Install TypeScript globally:

```
npm install -g typescript
```

2. Initialize a TypeScript project: Create a new directory, navigate into it, and run:

```
tsc --init
```

This command creates a tsconfig.json file, which configures the TypeScript compiler. A basic tsconfig.json might look like this (many options are commented out by default):

```
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    "target": "es2016",                                /* Specify ECMAScript
target version: 'ES3' (default), 'ES5', 'ES2015', 'ES2016',
'ES2017', 'ES2018', 'ES2019', 'ES2020', 'ES2021', 'ES2022',
'ESNext'. */
    "module": "commonjs",                             /* Specify module code
generation: 'none', 'commonjs', 'amd', 'system', 'umd', 'es2015',
'es2020', 'es2022', 'esnext', 'node16', 'nodenext'. */
    "outDir": "./dist",                               /* Specify an output
folder for all emitted files. */
```

```

    "esModuleInterop": true,                /* Emit additional
JavaScript to ease support for importing CommonJS modules. This
enables 'allowSyntheticDefaultImports' for type compatibility. */
    "forceConsistentCasingInFileNames": true, /* Ensure that
casing is consistent across all file paths. */
    "strict": true,                        /* Enable all strict
type-checking options. */
    "skipLibCheck": true                   /* Skip type checking all
.d.ts files. */
  }
}

```

3. **Compile TypeScript:** Create a .ts file (e.g., src/index.ts) and then run:

```
tsc
```

This will compile your TypeScript files into JavaScript files in the outDir specified in tsconfig.json (e.g., dist/index.js).

2. Basic Types

TypeScript provides several built-in types to define the kind of values a variable can hold.

number, string, boolean

These are the fundamental primitive types.

```

// Number
let age: number = 30;
let price: number = 9.99;

// String
let name: string = "Alice";
let greeting: string = `Hello, ${name}!`; // Template literals are
also supported

// Boolean
let isActive: boolean = true;
let hasPermission: boolean = false;

```

any, unknown, void, null, undefined, never

- **any:** A powerful type that disables type checking for a variable. Use with caution, as it defeats the purpose of TypeScript.

```

let data: any = 10;
data = "hello";
data = true;
data.foo(); // No error at compile time, potential runtime error

```

- **unknown:** A safer alternative to any. You must perform type checking before performing operations on an unknown type.

```
let value: unknown = "hello";

// value.toUpperCase(); // Error: Object is of type 'unknown'.

if (typeof value === 'string') {
    console.log(value.toUpperCase()); // OK
}
```

- **void:** Used for functions that do not return any value.

```
function logMessage(): void {
    console.log("This function returns nothing.");
}
```

- **null and undefined:** Represent the absence of a value. By default, null and undefined are subtypes of all other types (e.g., number | null). With strictNullChecks enabled in tsconfig.json, they are only assignable to any, unknown, or their respective types.

```
let n: null = null;
let u: undefined = undefined;

// With strictNullChecks: true
let optionalName: string | null = "John";
optionalName = null; // OK
// optionalName = undefined; // Error if not explicitly allowed
```

- **never:** Represents the type of values that never occur. Used for functions that throw an error or never return (e.g., infinite loops).

```
function throwError(message: string): never {
    throw new Error(message);
}

function infiniteLoop(): never {
    while (true) {
        // ...
    }
}
```

Arrays

Arrays can be typed in two ways:

1. Type[] (preferred)
2. Array<Type> (generic array type)

```
let numbers: number[] = [1, 2, 3, 4];
let names: string[] = ["Alice", "Bob"];
let mixed: (number | string)[] = [1, "two", 3]; // Array with union types
```

```
let booleanArray: Array<boolean> = [true, false];
```

Tuples

Tuples allow you to express an array with a fixed number of elements whose types are known, but don't have to be the same.

```
let person: [string, number] = ["John Doe", 30];  
// person = [30, "John Doe"]; // Error: Type 'number' is not  
assignable to type 'string'.
```

```
let rgbColor: [number, number, number, number?] = [255, 0, 0]; //  
Optional element  
rgbColor = [255, 0, 0, 0.5]; // With optional element
```

Enums

Enums allow a developer to define a set of named constants.

```
// Numeric Enum (default: starts from 0)  
enum Direction {  
    Up,          // 0  
    Down,        // 1  
    Left,         // 2  
    Right        // 3  
}  
let go: Direction = Direction.Up;  
console.log(go); // Output: 0  
console.log(Direction[0]); // Output: Up  
  
// Numeric Enum with custom starting value  
enum StatusCode {  
    NotFound = 404,  
    Success = 200,  
    Accepted = 202,  
    BadRequest = 400  
}  
let status: StatusCode = StatusCode.Success;  
console.log(status); // Output: 200  
  
// String Enum  
enum UserRole {  
    Admin = "ADMIN",  
    Editor = "EDITOR",  
    Viewer = "VIEWER"  
}  
let userRole: UserRole = UserRole.Admin;
```

```
console.log(userRole); // Output: ADMIN
```

3. Functions

TypeScript allows you to add type annotations to function parameters and their return types.

Type Annotations for Parameters and Return Types

```
function add(x: number, y: number): number {  
    return x + y;  
}  
  
let sum: number = add(5, 3); // sum will be 8  
  
function greet(name: string): string {  
    return `Hello, ${name}!`;  
}  
  
function log(message: string): void {  
    console.log(message);  
}
```

Optional and Default Parameters

- **Optional Parameters:** Marked with ?. They must come after all required parameters.
- **Default Parameters:** Provide a default value if the argument is not provided.

```
// Optional parameter  
function buildName(firstName: string, lastName?: string): string {  
    if (lastName) {  
        return firstName + " " + lastName;  
    }  
    return firstName;  
}  
  
console.log(buildName("Bob")); // Output: Bob  
console.log(buildName("Bob", "Smith")); // Output: Bob Smith  
  
// Default parameter  
function calculateArea(width: number, height: number = 10): number {  
    return width * height;  
}  
  
console.log(calculateArea(5)); // Output: 50 (height defaults to 10)  
console.log(calculateArea(5, 20)); // Output: 100
```

Rest Parameters

Allows a function to accept an indefinite number of arguments as an array.

```
function sumAll(message: string, ...numbers: number[]): string {
    let total = numbers.reduce((acc, num) => acc + num, 0);
    return `${message}: ${total}`;
}
console.log(sumAll("Sum of numbers", 1, 2, 3, 4)); // Output: Sum of
numbers: 10
console.log(sumAll("No numbers"));                // Output: No numbers:
0
```

Function Overloads

Allows you to define multiple function signatures for a single function implementation, providing more precise type checking.

```
function combine(a: number, b: number): number;
function combine(a: string, b: string): string;
function combine(a: any, b: any): any {
    if (typeof a === 'number' && typeof b === 'number') {
        return a + b;
    }
    if (typeof a === 'string' && typeof b === 'string') {
        return a + b;
    }
    throw new Error("Parameters must be both numbers or both
strings.");
}

console.log(combine(10, 20));    // Output: 30
console.log(combine("Hello", "World")); // Output: HelloWorld
// console.log(combine(10, "World")); // Error: No overload matches
this call.
```

4. Interfaces and Type Aliases

Both interfaces and type aliases are used to define custom types, but they have some differences.

Defining Interfaces

Interfaces define the structure of an object, specifying the names and types of its properties and methods.

```
interface User {
    id: number;
```

```

    name: string;
    email?: string; // Optional property
    readonly createdAt: Date; // Readonly property
    greet(message: string): void; // Method signature
}

const user1: User = {
    id: 1,
    name: "Alice",
    createdAt: new Date(),
    greet(message: string) {
        console.log(`${this.name} says: ${message}`);
    }
};

user1.greet("Hello there!");
// user1.createdAt = new Date(); // Error: Cannot assign to
// 'createdAt' because it is a read-only property.

interface Point {
    x: number;
    y: number;
}

function printPoint(p: Point) {
    console.log(`x: ${p.x}, y: ${p.y}`);
}

printPoint({ x: 10, y: 20 });

```

Extending Interfaces

Interfaces can extend other interfaces, inheriting their members.

```

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

interface Employee extends Person {
    employeeId: string;
    department: string;
}

const employee1: Employee = {
    name: "Bob",
    age: 40,
    employeeId: "EMP001",

```

```
    department: "Engineering"
};
```

Implementing Interfaces (with Classes)

Classes can implement interfaces, ensuring they adhere to the interface's structure.

```
interface Shape {
    color: string;
    getArea(): number;
}

class Circle implements Shape {
    constructor(public radius: number, public color: string) {}

    getArea(): number {
        return Math.PI * this.radius * this.radius;
    }
}

class Rectangle implements Shape {
    constructor(public width: number, public height: number, public
color: string) {}

    getArea(): number {
        return this.width * this.height;
    }
}

const myCircle = new Circle(5, "blue");
console.log(myCircle.getArea()); // Output: 78.53981633974483

const myRectangle = new Rectangle(10, 20, "red");
console.log(myRectangle.getArea()); // Output: 200
```

Type Aliases vs. Interfaces

- **Type Aliases (type):** Can define primitive types, union types, intersection types, tuples, and more complex object shapes. They can also be used for literal types.
- **Interfaces (interface):** Primarily used for defining the shape of objects.

Key Differences:

- **Declaration Merging:** Interfaces can be "merged" if declared multiple times with the same name (properties are combined). Type aliases cannot.
- **Extending/Implementing:** Interfaces can extend other interfaces and be implemented by classes. Type aliases can be extended using intersection types (&).
- **Readability:** For object shapes, interfaces are often preferred for their clear intent.

```
// Type Alias for a primitive
```



```

type ID = string;
let userId: ID = "abc-123";

// Type Alias for a union type
type StringOrNumber = string | number;
let value: StringOrNumber = "hello";
value = 123;

// Type Alias for an object shape (similar to interface)
type Product = {
  id: number;
  name: string;
  price: number;
};

const product1: Product = { id: 1, name: "Laptop", price: 1200 };

// Type Alias for a function signature
type GreetFunction = (name: string) => string;
const sayHello: GreetFunction = (n) => `Hi, ${n}!`;
console.log(sayHello("Eve"));

// Extending Type Aliases (using intersection)
type BasicAddress = {
  street: string;
  city: string;
};

type FullAddress = BasicAddress & {
  zipCode: string;
  country: string;
};

const address: FullAddress = {
  street: "123 Main St",
  city: "Anytown",
  zipCode: "12345",
  country: "USA"
};

// Interface Declaration Merging Example
interface Settings {
  theme: string;
}

interface Settings {
  fontSize: number;
}

```

```
const appSettings: Settings = {
  theme: "dark",
  fontSize: 16
};
// If `Settings` was a type alias, this would be a duplicate
identifier error.
```

5. Classes

TypeScript supports object-oriented programming concepts through classes, similar to ES6 classes but with added type safety.

Class Members (Properties, Methods)

```
class Greeter {
  // Property with type annotation
  greeting: string;

  // Constructor
  constructor(message: string) {
    this.greeting = message;
  }

  // Method
  greet(): string {
    return "Hello, " + this.greeting;
  }
}

let greeter = new Greeter("world");
console.log(greeter.greet()); // Output: Hello, world
```

Access Modifiers (public, private, protected)

- **public:** Accessible from anywhere (default).
- **private:** Accessible only within the class where it's defined.
- **protected:** Accessible within the class and by subclasses.

```
class Animal {
  public name: string;
  private age: number;
  protected species: string;

  constructor(name: string, age: number, species: string) {
    this.name = name;
  }
}
```

```

        this.age = age;
        this.species = species;
    }

    public getAge(): number {
        return this.age;
    }

    protected getSpecies(): string {
        return this.species;
    }
}

class Dog extends Animal {
    constructor(name: string, age: number, breed: string) {
        super(name, age, "Canine"); // Call parent constructor
        this.breed = breed;
    }

    public breed: string;

    public describe(): string {
        // console.log(this.age); // Error: Property 'age' is private
        return `${this.name} is a ${this.breed} of species
${this.getSpecies()} and is ${this.getAge()} years old.`;
    }
}

let myDog = new Dog("Buddy", 5, "Golden Retriever");
console.log(myDog.name); // Output: Buddy (public)
console.log(myDog.getAge()); // Output: 5 (public method accessing
private property)
// console.log(myDog.age); // Error: Property 'age' is private
// console.log(myDog.species); // Error: Property 'species' is
protected
console.log(myDog.describe());

```

Constructors

A special method for creating and initializing objects created within a class. Parameter properties (shorthand for declaring and initializing properties) are very common.

```

class Car {
    // Shorthand for declaring and initializing properties
    constructor(public brand: string, private _year: number) {}

    // Getter for a private property
    get year(): number {

```

```

        return this._year;
    }

    // Setter for a private property
    set year(newYear: number) {
        if (newYear > 1900) { // Basic validation
            this._year = newYear;
        } else {
            console.error("Year must be greater than 1900.");
        }
    }

    drive(): void {
        console.log(`Driving a ${this.brand} from ${this._year}.`);
    }
}

const myCar = new Car("Toyota", 2020);
console.log(myCar.brand); // Output: Toyota
console.log(myCar.year); // Output: 2020 (using getter)
myCar.year = 2022;
console.log(myCar.year); // Output: 2022
myCar.year = 1800; // Error message in console
myCar.drive();

```

Inheritance

Classes can extend other classes, inheriting their properties and methods.

```

class Vehicle {
    constructor(public make: string, public model: string) {}

    start(): void {
        console.log(`${this.make} ${this.model} starting.`);
    }
}

class ElectricCar extends Vehicle {
    constructor(make: string, model: string, public batteryLife:
number) {
        super(make, model); // Call the parent class constructor
    }

    charge(): void {
        console.log(`${this.make} ${this.model} is charging. Battery:
${this.batteryLife}%`);
    }
}

```

```

        // Override parent method
        start(): void {
            console.log(`Electric ${this.make} ${this.model} silently
starting.`);
        }
    }

const tesla = new ElectricCar("Tesla", "Model 3", 90);
tesla.start(); // Output: Electric Tesla Model 3 silently starting.
tesla.charge();

```

Abstract Classes

Abstract classes cannot be instantiated directly and often contain abstract methods (methods without an implementation) that must be implemented by concrete subclasses.

```

abstract class Shape2D {
    constructor(public name: string) {}

    abstract getArea(): number; // Abstract method - must be
implemented by subclasses

    display(): void {
        console.log(`This is a ${this.name} with area:
${this.getArea()}`);
    }
}

class Circle2D extends Shape2D {
    constructor(name: string, public radius: number) {
        super(name);
    }

    getArea(): number {
        return Math.PI * this.radius * this.radius;
    }
}

class Square2D extends Shape2D {
    constructor(name: string, public side: number) {
        super(name);
    }

    getArea(): number {
        return this.side * this.side;
    }
}

```

```
// const myShape = new Shape2D("Generic"); // Error: Cannot create an
instance of an abstract class.
```

```
const circle = new Circle2D("My Circle", 7);
circle.display(); // Output: This is a My Circle with area:
153.93804002589985
```

```
const square = new Square2D("My Square", 8);
square.display(); // Output: This is a My Square with area: 64
```

6. Generics

Generics provide a way to create reusable components that work with a variety of types rather than a single one. This allows you to write flexible, type-safe code.

What are Generics?

They allow you to define type parameters that can be used in functions, classes, and interfaces.

Generic Functions

```
// A generic function that returns the input value
function identity<T>(arg: T): T {
    return arg;
}
```

```
let output1 = identity<string>("myString"); // Type of output1 is
string
let output2 = identity<number>(100);          // Type of output2 is
number
let output3 = identity(true);                 // Type inference: output3
is boolean
```

```
console.log(output1);
console.log(output2);
console.log(output3);
```

```
// A generic function that takes an array and returns its first
element
function getFirstElement<T>(arr: T[]): T | undefined {
    return arr.length > 0 ? arr[0] : undefined;
}
```

```
let firstString = getFirstElement(["apple", "banana", "cherry"]); //
Type: string
let firstNumber = getFirstElement([10, 20, 30]);                  //
```

```

Type: number
let firstBoolean = getFirstElement([true, false]);           //
Type: boolean
let empty = getFirstElement([]);                             //
Type: undefined

console.log(firstString);
console.log(firstNumber);

```

Generic Interfaces

```

interface Box<T> {
    value: T;
}

let stringBox: Box<string> = { value: "Hello" };
let numberBox: Box<number> = { value: 123 };

console.log(stringBox.value);
console.log(numberBox.value);

// Generic interface for a dictionary/map
interface Dictionary<K, V> {
    [key: string]: V; // Key must be string or number for index
    signatures
}

let stringDictionary: Dictionary<string, string> = {
    "name": "Alice",
    "city": "New York"
};

let numberDictionary: Dictionary<string, number> = {
    "age": 30,
    "zip": 10001
};

console.log(stringDictionary.name);
console.log(numberDictionary.age);

```

Generic Classes

```

class GenericList<T> {
    private items: T[] = [];

    addItem(item: T): void {

```

```

        this.items.push(item);
    }

    getItem(index: number): T | undefined {
        return this.items[index];
    }

    getAllItems(): T[] {
        return this.items;
    }
}

let stringList = new GenericList<string>();
stringList.addItem("TypeScript");
stringList.addItem("JavaScript");
console.log(stringList.getItem(0)); // Output: TypeScript

let numberList = new GenericList<number>();
numberList.addItem(10);
numberList.addItem(20);
console.log(numberList.getAllItems()); // Output: [10, 20]

```

Generic Constraints

Sometimes you want to restrict the types that can be used with a generic. You can do this using `extends`.

```

interface Lengthwise {
    length: number;
}

// T must have a 'length' property
function loggingIdentity<T extends Lengthwise>(arg: T): T {
    console.log(arg.length); // Now we know it has a .length property
    return arg;
}

loggingIdentity({ length: 10, value: 3 }); // OK
// loggingIdentity(3); // Error: Argument of type 'number' is not
// assignable to parameter of type 'Lengthwise'.

// Using a type parameter in a generic constraint
function getProperty<T, K extends keyof T>(obj: T, key: K) {
    return obj[key];
}

let myObj = { a: 1, b: 2, c: 3 };
console.log(getProperty(myObj, "a")); // Output: 1

```



```
// console.log(getProperty(myObj, "d")); // Error: Argument of type  
'"d"' is not assignable to parameter of type '"a" | "b" | "c"'.
```

7. Advanced Types

Union Types

A variable can be one of several types. Use the | (pipe) symbol.

```
function printId(id: number | string) {  
    console.log(`Your ID is: ${id}`);  
    // You can use type narrowing to handle different types  
    if (typeof id === "string") {  
        console.log(id.toUpperCase());  
    }  
}  
  
printId(101);  
printId("202abc");  
// printId(true); // Error: Argument of type 'boolean' is not  
assignable to parameter of type 'string | number'.
```

Intersection Types

Combines multiple types into one. A variable of an intersection type must have all properties of all combined types. Use the & (ampersand) symbol.

```
interface Draggable {  
    drag(): void;  
}  
  
interface Resizable {  
    resize(): void;  
}  
  
type UIWidget = Draggable & Resizable;  
  
let myWidget: UIWidget = {  
    drag() { console.log("Dragging..."); },  
    resize() { console.log("Resizing..."); }  
};  
  
myWidget.drag();  
myWidget.resize();
```

Type Guards (Type Narrowing)

Mechanisms to narrow down the type of a variable within a certain scope.

- **typeof Type Guard:** For primitive types (string, number, boolean, symbol, bigint, undefined, object, function).

```
function printValue(value: string | number) {  
    if (typeof value === 'string') {  
        console.log(value.toLowerCase());  
    } else {  
        console.log(value.toFixed(2));  
    }  
}  
  
printValue("HELLO");  
printValue(123.456);
```

- **instanceof Type Guard:** For classes.

```
class Cat {  
    meow() { console.log("Meow!"); }  
}  
  
class Dog {  
    bark() { console.log("Woof!"); }  
}  
  
type Animal = Cat | Dog;  
  
function makeSound(animal: Animal) {  
    if (animal instanceof Cat) {  
        animal.meow();  
    } else {  
        animal.bark();  
    }  
}  
  
makeSound(new Cat());  
makeSound(new Dog());
```

- **in Operator Type Guard:** Checks if a property exists on an object.

```
interface Car {  
    drive(): void;  
}  
  
interface Plane {  
    fly(): void;  
}  
  
function move(vehicle: Car | Plane) {  
    if ("drive" in vehicle) {  
        vehicle.drive();  
    }  
}
```

```

    } else {
        vehicle.fly();
    }
}

move({ drive: () => console.log("Driving car") });
move({ fly: () => console.log("Flying plane") });

```

- **User-Defined Type Guards (Type Predicates):** Functions that return a boolean indicating a type. The return type is parameterName is Type.

```

interface Fish { swim(): void; }
interface Bird { fly(): void; }

function isFish(pet: Fish | Bird): pet is Fish {
    return (pet as Fish).swim !== undefined;
}

function getPetAction(pet: Fish | Bird) {
    if (isFish(pet)) {
        pet.swim();
    } else {
        pet.fly();
    }
}

getPetAction({ swim: () => console.log("Fish is swimming") });
getPetAction({ fly: () => console.log("Bird is flying") });

```

Literal Types

Allows you to define a type that is exactly one specific string, number, or boolean value.

```
type CardinalDirection = "North" | "East" | "South" | "West";
```

```

let direction: CardinalDirection;
direction = "North"; // OK
// direction = "Northeast"; // Error: Type '"Northeast"' is not
assignable to type 'CardinalDirection'.

```

```
type HTTPMethod = "GET" | "POST" | "PUT" | "DELETE";
```

```

function handleRequest(url: string, method: HTTPMethod) {
    console.log(`Handling ${method} request for ${url}`);
}

```

```
handleRequest("/api/users", "GET");
```

Nullable Types (strictNullChecks)

When `strictNullChecks` is true in `tsconfig.json`, `null` and `undefined` are not assignable to other types by default. You must explicitly allow them using union types.

```
// With "strictNullChecks": true
let username: string = "Alice";
// username = null; // Error: Type 'null' is not assignable to type 'string'.
```

```
let optionalUsername: string | null = "Bob";
optionalUsername = null; // OK
```

```
let maybeAge: number | undefined;
maybeAge = 25;
maybeAge = undefined; // OK
```

Non-null Assertion Operator (!)

Tells the compiler that a value is not `null` or `undefined`, even if TypeScript's analysis can't prove it. Use with caution, as it bypasses type safety.

```
function greetUser(name: string | null | undefined) {
    // If you are absolutely sure name will not be null/undefined at
    this point
    const displayName: string = name!; // Asserting that name is not
    null or undefined
    console.log(`Hello, ${displayName.toUpperCase()}`);
}
```

```
greetUser("John");
greetUser(null); // This will cause a runtime error if `name` is
accessed without a check
```

Type Assertions (as keyword, <>)

Tells the compiler to treat a value as a specific type. This does not perform any runtime checks or data conversions.

```
// Using 'as' keyword (preferred in TSX/React)
let someValue: any = "this is a string";
let strLength: number = (someValue as string).length;
console.log(strLength);
```

```
// Using '<>' (angle-bracket syntax - not allowed in TSX/React)
let anotherValue: any = 123;
let numValue: number = (<number>anotherValue);
console.log(numValue);
```

```
// Common use case: asserting DOM elements
const myCanvas = document.getElementById("myCanvas") as
HTMLCanvasElement;
if (myCanvas) {
    const ctx = myCanvas.getContext("2d");
    // ... now ctx is known to be CanvasRenderingContext2D or null
}
```

8. Type Inference

TypeScript's ability to automatically determine the type of a variable, function return, etc., without explicit type annotations.

```
// Variable initialization
let x = 3; // TypeScript infers x: number
// x = "hello"; // Error: Type '"hello"' is not assignable to type
'number'.
```

```
let y = [1, 2, 3]; // TypeScript infers y: number[]
// y.push("four"); // Error: Argument of type '"four"' is not
assignable to parameter of type 'number'.
```

```
// Function return types
function multiply(a: number, b: number) {
    return a * b; // TypeScript infers return type: number
}
```

```
// Object literals
let person = {
    name: "Alice",
    age: 30
};
// TypeScript infers person: { name: string; age: number; }
// person.email = "a@example.com"; // Error: Property 'email' does not
exist on type '{ name: string; age: number; }'.
```

Contextual Typing

TypeScript can infer types based on the context in which a variable or expression is used.

```
window.addEventListener("click", (event) => {
    // 'event' is contextually typed as MouseEvent
    console.log(event.button);
    // console.log(event.keyCode); // Error: Property 'keyCode' does
not exist on type 'MouseEvent'.
});
```

```
const numbers = [1, 2, 3];
const doubled = numbers.map(num => {
  // 'num' is contextually typed as number
  return num * 2;
});
```

9. Declaration Files (.d.ts)

Declaration files describe the shape of JavaScript code (or other non-TypeScript code) so that TypeScript can understand it and provide type checking and autocompletion. They only contain type information, no implementation.

When to Use Them

- When using a JavaScript library in a TypeScript project.
- When writing a TypeScript library that will be consumed by JavaScript projects.
- When defining ambient declarations for global variables or modules.

Declaring Variables, Functions, Classes, Modules

Example: Declaring a global variable and function globals.d.ts:

```
declare var MY_GLOBAL_VAR: string;
declare function calculateSum(a: number, b: number): number;
```main.ts`
```typescript
// Assuming MY_GLOBAL_VAR and calculateSum exist in a JS file or are
provided by the environment
console.log(MY_GLOBAL_VAR);
let result = calculateSum(10, 20);
console.log(result);
```

Example: Declaring a module (e.g., for a JS library without types) my-library.d.ts:

```
declare module "my-library" {
  export function doSomething(input: string): string;
  export class MyClass {
    constructor(name: string);
    getName(): string;
  }
  export interface MyOptions {
    debug?: boolean;
    timeout: number;
  }
}
```app.ts`
```typescript
```

```
import { doSomething, MyClass, MyOptions } from "my-library";

console.log(doSomething("hello"));

const instance = new MyClass("Test");
console.log(instance.getName());

const options: MyOptions = {
  timeout: 5000
};
```

Many popular JavaScript libraries have their declaration files available through `@types/` packages on npm (e.g., `npm install @types/react`).

10. Modules

TypeScript supports ES Modules (import/export) for organizing code into separate files.

import and export

math.ts:

```
export function add(x: number, y: number): number {
  return x + y;
}

export const PI = 3.14159;

export class Calculator {
  multiply(x: number, y: number): number {
    return x * y;
  }
}
```

app.ts:

```
import { add, PI, Calculator } from "./math"; // Relative path

console.log(add(5, 7)); // Output: 12
console.log(PI);        // Output: 3.14159

const calc = new Calculator();
console.log(calc.multiply(4, 6)); // Output: 24
```

Default Exports, Named Exports

user.ts:

```
// Default export (only one per module)
```

```
export default class UserProfile {
  constructor(public name: string, public email: string) {}

  getInfo(): string {
    return `Name: ${this.name}, Email: ${this.email}`;
  }
}

// Named export
export const ADMIN_ROLE = "admin";
```

main.ts:

```
import UserProfile, { ADMIN_ROLE } from "./user"; // No curly braces
for default export

const user = new UserProfile("Jane Doe", "jane@example.com");
console.log(user.getInfo());

console.log(`Admin Role: ${ADMIN_ROLE}`);
```

11. Decorators (Experimental)

Decorators are a special kind of declaration that can be attached to classes, methods, accessors, properties, or parameters. They use the form `@expression`. To enable decorators, you need to set "experimentalDecorators": true and "emitDecoratorMetadata": true in your tsconfig.json.

```
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    // ... other options
    "experimentalDecorators": true,
    "emitDecoratorMetadata": true
  }
}
```

Class Decorators

Applied to the class constructor.

```
function sealed(constructor: Function) {
  Object.seal(constructor);
  Object.seal(constructor.prototype);
  console.log("Class has been sealed!");
}

@sealed
class BugReport {
```



```

    type = "report";
    title: string;

    constructor(title: string) {
        this.title = title;
    }
}

// const report = new BugReport("Fix bug");
// console.log(report.title);

// You can't add new properties to a sealed class
// (new BugReport("test") as any).newProp = "value"; // Error in
strict mode, runtime error otherwise

```

Method Decorators

Applied to a method.

```

function logMethod(target: any, propertyKey: string, descriptor:
PropertyDescriptor) {
    const originalMethod = descriptor.value;

    descriptor.value = function(...args: any[]) {
        console.log(`Calling method: ${propertyKey} with args:
${JSON.stringify(args)}`);
        const result = originalMethod.apply(this, args);
        console.log(`Method ${propertyKey} returned: ${result}`);
        return result;
    };

    return descriptor;
}

class UserService {
    @logMethod
    getUser(id: number, name: string): string {
        return `User with ID: ${id}, Name: ${name}`;
    }
}

const userService = new UserService();
userService.getUser(1, "Alice");

```

Property Decorators

Applied to a property.

```

function format(formatString: string) {
  return function (target: any, propertyKey: string) {
    let value: string;

    const getter = function() {
      return value;
    };

    const setter = function(newVal: string) {
      value = formatString.replace("%s", newVal);
    };

    Object.defineProperty(target, propertyKey, {
      get: getter,
      set: setter,
      enumerable: true,
      configurable: true,
    });
  };
}

class Message {
  @format("Hello, %s!")
  greeting: string;

  constructor(text: string) {
    this.greeting = text;
  }
}

const msg = new Message("World");
console.log(msg.greeting); // Output: Hello, World!

```

Parameter Decorators

Applied to a parameter in a method or constructor.

```

function logParameter(target: any, propertyKey: string | symbol,
  parameterIndex: number) {
  console.log(`Parameter at index ${parameterIndex} of method
    ${String(propertyKey)} was decorated.`);
}

class Example {
  greet(@logParameter name: string, @logParameter age: number) {
    console.log(`Hello, ${name}! You are ${age} years old.`);
  }
}

```

```
const ex = new Example();
ex.greet("Bob", 25);
```

12. Utility Types

TypeScript provides several built-in utility types to facilitate common type transformations.

Partial<T>

Constructs a type with all properties of T set to optional.

```
interface Todo {
  title: string;
  description: string;
  completed: boolean;
}

type PartialTodo = Partial<Todo>;

const todoUpdate: PartialTodo = {
  description: "Learn TypeScript",
  completed: true
};
// All properties are optional now
```

Required<T>

Constructs a type consisting of all properties of T set to required.

```
interface UserInfo {
  id: number;
  name?: string;
  email?: string;
}

type FullUserInfo = Required<UserInfo>;

const newUser: FullUserInfo = {
  id: 1,
  name: "John Doe",
  email: "john@example.com"
};
// newUser.name = undefined; // Error: Type 'undefined' is not
// assignable to type 'string'.
```

ReadOnly<T>

Constructs a type with all properties of T set to readonly.

```
interface Point3D {  
    x: number;  
    y: number;  
    z: number;  
}
```

```
type ReadonlyPoint = Readonly<Point3D>;
```

```
const origin: ReadonlyPoint = { x: 0, y: 0, z: 0 };  
// origin.x = 10; // Error: Cannot assign to 'x' because it is a  
read-only property.
```

Pick<T, K>

Constructs a type by picking the set of properties K from T.

```
interface ProductDetails {  
    id: number;  
    name: string;  
    price: number;  
    description: string;  
    category: string;  
}
```

```
type ProductSummary = Pick<ProductDetails, "id" | "name" | "price">;
```

```
const laptopSummary: ProductSummary = {  
    id: 101,  
    name: "Gaming Laptop",  
    price: 1500  
};
```

Omit<T, K>

Constructs a type by omitting the set of properties K from T.

```
interface Task {  
    id: string;  
    title: string;  
    description: string;  
    dueDate: Date;  
    completed: boolean;  
}
```

```

type NewTask = Omit<Task, "id" | "completed">; // For creating a new
task

const myNewTask: NewTask = {
  title: "Write documentation",
  description: "Complete the TypeScript notes.",
  dueDate: new Date()
};

```

Exclude<T, U>

Constructs a type by excluding from T all union members that are assignable to U.

```

type AllColors = "red" | "green" | "blue" | "yellow" | "purple";
type PrimaryColors = "red" | "blue";

type NonPrimaryColors = Exclude<AllColors, PrimaryColors>; // "green"
| "yellow" | "purple"

let color: NonPrimaryColors = "green";
// color = "red"; // Error: Type '"red"' is not assignable to type
'"green" | "yellow" | "purple"'.

```

Extract<T, U>

Constructs a type by extracting from T all union members that are assignable to U.

```

type MixedData = string | number | boolean | string[];
type StringsOnly = Extract<MixedData, string | string[]>; // string |
string[]

let data1: StringsOnly = "hello";
let data2: StringsOnly = ["a", "b"];
// let data3: StringsOnly = 123; // Error

```

NonNullable<T>

Constructs a type by excluding null and undefined from T.

```

type NullableString = string | null | undefined;
type NonNullableString = NonNullable<NullableString>; // string

let text: NonNullableString = "some text";
// text = null; // Error

```

Parameters<T>

Constructs a tuple type from the types of a function's parameters.

```
function greetPerson(name: string, age: number, isActive: boolean):
string {
    return `Hello ${name}, you are ${age} years old. Active:
${isActive}`;
}

type GreetParams = Parameters<typeof greetPerson>; // [name: string,
age: number, isActive: boolean]

const params: GreetParams = ["Charlie", 40, true];
// greetPerson(...params); // This would work
```

ReturnType<T>

Constructs a type consisting of the return type of function T.

```
type GreetReturn = ReturnType<typeof greetPerson>; // string

let greetingResult: GreetReturn = "Welcome!";
// greetingResult = 123; // Error
```

InstanceType<T>

Constructs a type consisting of the instance type of a constructor function type T.

```
class MyClass {
    constructor(public value: number) {}
    getValue() { return this.value; }
}

type MyClassInstance = InstanceType<typeof MyClass>; // MyClass

const instance: MyClassInstance = new MyClass(100);
console.log(instance.getValue());
```

13. Conditional Types

Conditional types allow you to express non-uniform type mappings. They take the form `T extends U ? X : Y`.

```
type IsString<T> = T extends string ? "Yes" : "No";

type Check1 = IsString<string>; // "Yes"
type Check2 = IsString<number>; // "No"
type Check3 = IsString<boolean>; // "No"
```

```
// Example: Get a property type if it's a string, otherwise never
type StringProperty<T, K extends keyof T> = T[K] extends string ? T[K]
: never;
```

```
interface UserProfile {
    name: string;
    age: number;
    email: string;
    isAdmin: boolean;
}
```

```
type UserNameType = StringProperty<UserProfile, "name">; // string
type UserAgeType = StringProperty<UserProfile, "age">; // never
type UserEmailType = StringProperty<UserProfile, "email">; // string
type UserAdminType = StringProperty<UserProfile, "isAdmin">; // never
```

infer keyword

The infer keyword is used within conditional types to "infer" a type that can then be used in the true branch of the conditional type.

```
// Infer the element type of an array
type ElementType<T> = T extends (infer U)[] ? U : T;
```

```
type ArrayElement = ElementType<string[]>; // string
type NonArrayElement = ElementType<number>; // number
```

```
// Infer the return type of a function (similar to ReturnType utility
type)
```

```
type GetReturnType<T> = T extends (...args: any[]) => infer R ? R :
any;
```

```
type Func1Return = GetReturnType<() => string>; // string
type Func2Return = GetReturnType<(x: number) => number[]>; // number[]
type NonFuncReturn = GetReturnType<boolean>; // any
```

14. Mapped Types

Mapped types allow you to create new types by transforming the properties of an existing type. They iterate over the keys of a type using a [P in K] syntax.

```
// Make all properties of an object readonly
type ReadonlyProperties<T> = {
    readonly [P in keyof T]: T[P];
};
```

```
interface Coordinates {
```

```

    x: number;
    y: number;
}

type ImmutableCoordinates = ReadonlyProperties<Coordinates>;
// type ImmutableCoordinates = { readonly x: number; readonly y:
number; }

const coords: ImmutableCoordinates = { x: 10, y: 20 };
// coords.x = 30; // Error: Cannot assign to 'x' because it is a
read-only property.

// Make all properties optional
type OptionalProperties<T> = {
    [P in keyof T]?: T[P];
};

type PartialCoords = OptionalProperties<Coordinates>;
// type PartialCoords = { x?: number; y?: number; }

// Remove 'readonly' or '?' modifiers
type Mutable<T> = {
    -readonly [P in keyof T]: T[P]; // Remove readonly
};

type RequiredProps<T> = {
    [P in keyof T]-?: T[P]; // Remove optional
};

type MyReadonlyAndOptional = Readonly<Partial<Coordinates>>;
type MyMutableAndRequired =
RequiredProps<Mutable<MyReadonlyAndOptional>>;
// MyMutableAndRequired is equivalent to Coordinates

// Mapping to a new type (e.g., converting all properties to booleans)
type Flags<T> = {
    [P in keyof T]: boolean;
};

type UserFlags = Flags<UserProfile>;
/*
type UserFlags = {
    name: boolean;
    age: boolean;
    email: boolean;
    isAdmin: boolean;
}
*/

```



```
const userFlags: UserFlags = {
  name: true,
  age: false,
  email: true,
  isAdmin: true
};
```

15. Type Predicates

Type predicates are functions that return a boolean and inform the TypeScript compiler about the type of a variable if the function returns true. They use the parameterName is Type syntax in their return type.

```
interface Car {
  brand: string;
  drive(): void;
}
```

```
interface Bicycle {
  gears: number;
  pedal(): void;
}
```

```
function isCar(vehicle: Car | Bicycle): vehicle is Car {
  return (vehicle as Car).drive !== undefined;
}
```

```
function getVehicleDetails(vehicle: Car | Bicycle) {
  if (isCar(vehicle)) {
    console.log(`This is a car of brand: ${vehicle.brand}`);
    vehicle.drive();
  } else {
    console.log(`This is a bicycle with ${vehicle.gears} gears`);
    vehicle.pedal();
  }
}
```

```
getVehicleDetails({ brand: "Toyota", drive: () =>
  console.log("Vroom!") });
getVehicleDetails({ gears: 21, pedal: () => console.log("Pedaling...")
  });
```

16. ESNext Features & TypeScript

TypeScript aims to support upcoming JavaScript features as they become standardized.

Async/Await

TypeScript fully supports async/await for asynchronous operations, providing type safety for Promises.

```
async function fetchData(): Promise<string> {
    return new Promise((resolve) => {
        setTimeout(() => {
            resolve("Data fetched successfully!");
        }, 1000);
    });
}

async function processData() {
    try {
        const data: string = await fetchData(); // Type inference for
        'data'
        console.log(data);
    } catch (error) {
        // 'error' is of type 'unknown' by default with strict mode
        if (error instanceof Error) {
            console.error("Error fetching data:", error.message);
        } else {
            console.error("Unknown error:", error);
        }
    }
}

processData();
```

Iterators/Generators

TypeScript provides types for iterators and generators.

```
function* idGenerator(): IterableIterator<number> {
    let id = 0;
    while (true) {
        yield id++;
    }
}

const generator = idGenerator();
console.log(generator.next().value); // 0
console.log(generator.next().value); // 1
console.log(generator.next().value); // 2

// Using for...of with iterators
for (const num of [1, 2, 3]) {
```

```
        console.log(num);  
    }
```

This comprehensive guide should give you a solid foundation in TypeScript, from its core concepts to more advanced type manipulations and features. Remember to practice by writing code and experimenting with different types and scenarios!