14 Angular Typescript (31)

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Session_31_Typescript

393 Using types

```
let myString: string;
myString = 'This is a string';
// Try to assign a number to a string => Error
//myString = 4;
// TypeScript can also infer types
let anotherString = 'This is a string without :string'; // => Type 'string' was inferred from t
he assigned value
// This will still resolve in a compilation error
// anotherString = 4;
// TypeScript may only infer values when those values are assigned at the declaration
// This does not work:
let yetAnotherString;
yetAnotherString = 'This is a string';
// TypeScript does not know the type, therefore we don't get an error ... but no we're also ign
oring TypeScripts strength: Typing
yetAnotherString = 5;
```

```
// Other basic types

let aString: string;
let aNumber: number;
let aBoolean: boolean;
let anArray: Array<string>; // This is a generic type => May only hold 'strings' in this case
let anything: any; // Any can be used if we don't know the actual type => Use it rarely!
// We also got void (=> nothing) and enums (a set of numeric values)
```

394 Classes

```
// Classes allow us to create 'blueprints' for objects
// In Angular 2 we use classes a lot. For example to create Components, Services, Directives, P
ipes, ...
// How to create a class
class Car {,
    engineName: string;
   gears: number;
    private speed: number;
    constructor(speed: number) {
        this.speed = speed || 0;
    }
    accelerate(): void {
        this.speed++;
    }
    throttle():void {
```

```
this.speed--;
    }
    getSpeed():void {
        console.log(this.speed);
    }
    static numberOfWheels(): number {
        return 4;
    }
}
// Instantiate (create) an object from a class
let car = new Car(5);
car.accelerate();
car.getSpeed();
console.log(Car.numberOfWheels());
```

395 Interfaces

Basically they are contracts, type definitons, how the stuff should look like, what properties, functions should it have.

```
// Interfaces allow us to create contracts other classes/ objects have to implement
// We can use them to define custom types without creating classes
// Interfaces ARE NOT compiled to JavaScript! It's just for checking/ validation done by our Ty
peScript compiler

// Example interface
interface User {
```

```
username: string;
    password: string;
    confirmPassword?: string; // Optional property => Does not have to be implemented
}
let user:User;
// This value does not satisfy the interface => Compilation error
// user = { anything: 'anything', anynumber: 5};
// This value does satisfy the interface
user = {username: 'max', password: 'supersecret'};
// Interfaces can also contain functions (without the function body - as it only is a blueprin
t/ requirement)
interface CanDrive {
   accelerate(speed:number): void;
}
let car:CanDrive = {
    accelerate: function (speed:number) {
        // ...
   }
};
```

396 Generics

(Which can hold several types)

```
// Generics are types which can hold/ use several types
// We're only touching the very basics here - you can go MUCH more into detail
// Consider the Array object
```

```
let numberArray: Array<number>; // This array will only accept numbers

// Try to initialize it with strings

// numberArray = ['test']; // => Error

numberArray = [1,2,3];
```

397 Modules

(Helps us to load the different javascripts part in our project)

```
// TypeScript is modular, we can divide our code up over several files
// In Angular 2 we then use "import {} from ''" to access the code in these files
// We export a class, interface, variable, ... by adding 'export' keyword in front of it
export class ExportedClass {
    // This class is exported
}
```