

# Types and Parallelism in Java

- What is a type?
  1. predefined or user-defined data structures
    - e.g. `enum {A, B, C};`
  2. the set of things the compiler knows about a value
  3. set of values (type  $\equiv$  set)
  4. set of values + associated operations

2.

```
int n = __;
```

this is 32 bits long, the range is  $[-2^{31}, 2^{31} - 1]$

what is the range of  $n + 1$ ? is it  $[-2^{31} + 1, 2^{31} - 1]$ ?

no, this is undefined

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```
for (int i = INT_MAX - 1; <= INT_MAX; ++)
```

```
    print(i); <- UNDEFINED
```

```
def f(x,y):
```

```
    return x < y
```

^ there are no types check statically in python, this will compile but not run

primitive - built into the language (int, char, bool, float, double,...)

- important differences in implementations
- limits in size based on platform
- `int = math_int` (no limits on size) or `int C float` constructed

## Float in programming languages IEEE-794 F.P

representation:

- $s - 0$  (pos) or  $1$  (neg)
- $\pm 2^{e-127} \times 1.f$
- $0 < e < 255$
- $f - 1.010011...10_2$

<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>23</b>
s	e	f

```
float x, y;
...
if (x != y)
    print(x - y); <- should always print nonzero
```

largest finite number:

<b>s</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>f</b>
∅	254	1111111...111...1

outcomes:

- trap
- diverge to infinity (default)

```
float x = 1;
float y = 0;
return x/y;;
```

$$\frac{1}{-\emptyset} = -\infty$$

$\infty - \infty = \text{NaN}$ , not  $\emptyset$ , 1,  $\infty$ , or  $-\infty$

$\pm x == y \ \&\& \ \text{memcmp}(\&x, \&y, \text{sizeof}(x))$

$\text{NaN } x \neq y \ \&\& \ \sim \text{memcmp}(\dots)$

$\text{NaN} \neq x$  for all  $x$

$\text{NaN} \neq \text{NaN}$

## Uses of types

- annotations
  - info for humans
  - info for compiler
  - can have effect on execution
    - `float x;`

- `(int) x;`
- inference
  - `int i = ...; float f = i * f;`
- checking
  - prevents errors from having more serious consequences
  - static
    - guarantee: no type errors while running
    - faster execution
  - dynamic
    - more flexible
    - forgiving
  - compromise: do both
    - Java
      - mostly static
      - casts - `Object o = ...; (string) o;`
  - strongly typed
    - OCaml - statically
    - python - dynamically
  - not strongly typed
    - C, C++

## Type Equivalence $T = U$

name equivalence:

```
struct s {int val; struct s *next}
struct t {int val; struct t * next}

struct s v;
struct t w;
v = w; <- wont work, diff. names
```

structural equivalence:

```
typedef int s;
typedef int t;
s x = ...;
```

```
t w = ...;
x = w; ,_ works, same internally
```

abstract vs exposed types:

- abstract - flexibility, modularity
- exposed - efficiency

## Subtypes $T \subseteq U$

2 options:

- like subsets
- like subclass - has more operations than the supertype

```
type day = (Sun, Mon,...,Sat);
type weekday = Mon...Fri
int f(d: day)...;
weekday w = __;
f(w);
```

## Polymorphism $f(x)$

-"function" whose implementation has many forms depending on types

```
FORTRAN:
cos(x)
cos($f) <- float
cos($d) <- double
^ function overloading

x - float
i - int
x * i <- wont normally work
x * (float(i)) <- done automatically
^ coercion
```

overloading:

- single name for multiple functions
- coercion:

- automatic or implicit conversions done by compiler

trouble c coercion:

```
uid_t = -1;
if (x < 0)
    print("ouch");
```

since it is being compared with an int, it is converted to `UINT_MAX = 2^31 - 1 != 1`

```
arctan(y, x) float, float | double, double
arctan(3.0, 5.9f) (double, float) | coercion + overloading
```

overloading:

```
int f(float, int); <- different
int f(int, float); <- different
```

which do we pick to convert to float or int?

## Parametric polymorphism

- types have type parameters
  - 'a list
- traditional Java
  - type `Object` is the root of all types
  - `Collection c __;` e.g. collection of strings

```
for(Iterator i = c.iterator(); i.hasNext();)
    if ((String)(i.next()).length() == 1)
        i.remove();
```

## Generic Types in Java

```
Collection <String> c = __;
for (Iterator i = c.iterator(); i.hasNext())
    if (i.next().length() == 1)
        i.remove();
```

generic types:

- OCaml, Java,...
  - check and then compile
  - cleaner
  - less flexible
- templates:
- C++,...
  - instantiates and compiles a template, then does type checking
  - every compile has different machine code