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Advanced TypeScript

Unit 2

- **typeof & keyof**
- **Indexed access types**
- **Generics**
- **Variance**
- **Utility types**

typeof

- Generates a new type (not value) out of a variable
- Extension of ECMAScript's typeof for TypeScript's Type
- Useful in mapped types or utility types

```
const word = "hello";
```

```
const five = 5;
```

```
const franz: Person = { id: 1, firstname: "franz" };
```

```
type WordType = typeof word; // string
```

```
type FiveWord = typeof five; // number
```

```
type Franz = typeof franz; // Person
```

```
type A = typeof true; // fails
```



keyof

- Generates a **union type** (string | number) of an object's keys
- Is a type and not a value
- Like typeof used in combination with other type manipulations
 - typesafe access to properties in Generics
 - critical for mapped types

```
type A = Record<string, unknown>;  
type B = Record<number, unknown>  
type C = {id: number, name: string};
```

```
type AProps = keyof A; // string  
type BProps = keyof B; // number
```

```
type Keys = keyof C; // 'id' | 'name'  
const keys = keyof C; // fails to compile
```



Index Access Type

- Derived type or types from other types' properties
- Applicable to everything
- Type-safe way to access a property via its index
- Used in combination with generic functions



Index access type

```
type Person = {  
  id: number;  
  firstname: string;  
};
```

```
const franz: Person = { id: 1, firstname: "Franz" };
```

```
type PersonId = Person["id"];
```

```
const personId: PersonId = franz["id"];
```

"id" is a type (type id = "id")

number



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Index access type

```
type PersonPropertyTypes = Person[keyof Person] // string | number
```

```
function readProperty(person: Person, property: keyof Person) {  
    return person[property];  
}
```

```
const id: number = readProperty(franz, 'id'); // does not compile yet (generics needed)
```



Generics

- Makes a single function usable
 - for different and "unknown" types
 - stays fully type-safe
- Generic types (e.g. utility types)
- Generic classes (e.g. Observable, Promise, Map)
- Must-have skill for library developers
- Used in shared parts of application code



Common variations

- None (value is not returned)
- Simple
- External processing
- Constrained types for direct processing
- Multiple types
- Derived type
- Type which itself is a generic



Generics 1: Type is passed on

```
function log<T>(value: T): T {  
  console.log(value);  
  return value;  
}
```

```
people.map(log).reduce((names, curr) => `${names}, ${curr.lastname}`, "");  
cities.map(log).reduce((names, curr) => `${names}, ${curr.name}`, "");
```



Generics 2: "externally processed"

```
function log<T>(value: T, format: (value: T) => string): T {  
  console.log(format(value));  
  return value;  
}
```

people

```
.map((person) => log(person, (person) => person.lastname))  
.reduce((names, curr) => `${names}, ${curr.lastname}`, "");
```

cities

```
.map((city) => log(city, (city) => city.name))  
.reduce((names, curr) => `${names}, ${curr.name}`, "");
```



Generics 3: "internally processed", aka. constrained

```
function log<T extends { isLogged: boolean }>(  
  value: T,  
  format: (value: T) => string  
) : T {  
  if (!value.isLogged) {  
    console.log(format(value));  
  } else {  
    value.isLogged = true;  
  }  
  
  return value;  
}
```

```
people  
  .map((person) => ({ ...person, isLogged: false }))  
  .map((person) => log(person, (person) => person.lastname))  
  .reduce((names, curr) => `${names}, ${curr.lastname}`, "");
```



Generics 4: multiple types

```
function log<T, U>(value: T, processor: (value: T) => U): U {  
  console.log(value);  
  return processor(value);  
}
```

```
const processedFranz = log(franz, (person) => ({  
  ...person,  
  processedDate: new Date(),  
}));
```



Generics 5: derived type

```
function unsafeLog<T extends Record<string, unknown>>(  
  value: T,  
  property: string  
) {  
  if (property in value) {  
    console.log(value[property]);  
    return value[property];  
  }  
  
  throw new Error(`${property} does not`);  
}  
  
function safeLog<T, P extends keyof T>(value: T, property: P) {  
  console.log(value[property]);  
  return value[property];  
}  
  
const lastname = unsafeLog(franz, "lastName"); // unknown  
const id: number = safeLog(franz, "id"); // number
```



Generic Class

```
class MyMap<Key extends { toString: () => string }, Value> {  
    #store: Record<string, Value> = {};  
  
    get(key: Key) {  
        return this.#store[key.toString()];  
    }  
  
    put(key: Key, value: Value) {  
        this.#store[key.toString()] = value;  
    }  
}  
  
const map = new MyMap<number, string>();  
map.put(5, "five");  
  
const numberName: string = map.get(5);
```



Generic Type: basis for unit 3

```
type Person = {  
  id: number;  
  firstname: string;  
};
```

```
type Loggable<T> = T & { format: () => string };
```

```
type LoggablePerson = Loggable<Person>;
```

```
const franz: LoggablePerson = {  
  id: 1,  
  firstname: "franz",  
  format() {  
    return "I am Franz";  
  },  
};
```



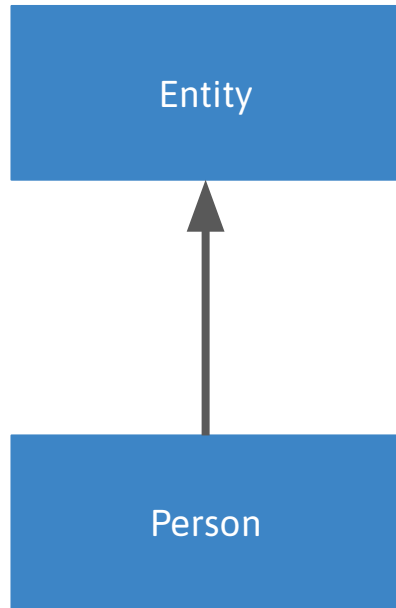
Variance

- Rules if and when super- or subtypes can be used
- Usually follows common sense
- Formally defined by the position of a type
 - Parameter
 - Return Type
 - Property



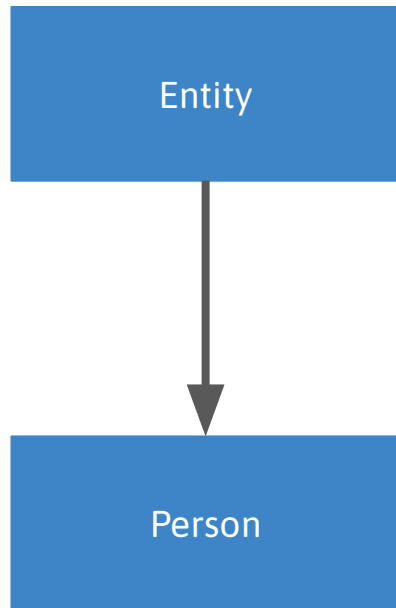
Covariance

```
class Entity {  
  id: number = 0;  
}  
  
class Person extends Entity {  
  name: string = "";  
}  
  
interface Factory<T> {  
  create: () => T;  
}  
  
let personFactory: Factory<Person> = { create: () => new Person() };  
let entityFactory: Factory<Entity> = personFactory; // works  
  
entityFactory = { create: () => new Entity() };  
personFactory = entityFactory; //fails
```



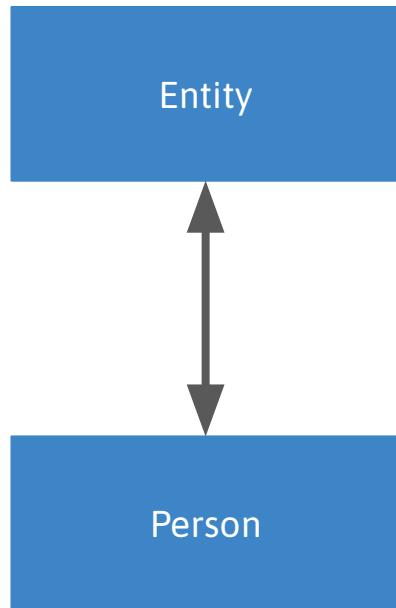
Contravariance

```
class Entity {  
  id: number = 0;  
}  
  
class Person extends Entity {  
  name: string = "";  
}  
  
interface Store<T> {  
  save: (entity: T) => void;  
}  
  
let personStore: Store<Person> = { save: (person: Person) => void true };  
let entityStore: Store<Entity> = personStore; // fails  
  
entityStore = { save: (entity: Entity) => void true};  
personStore = entityStore; // works
```



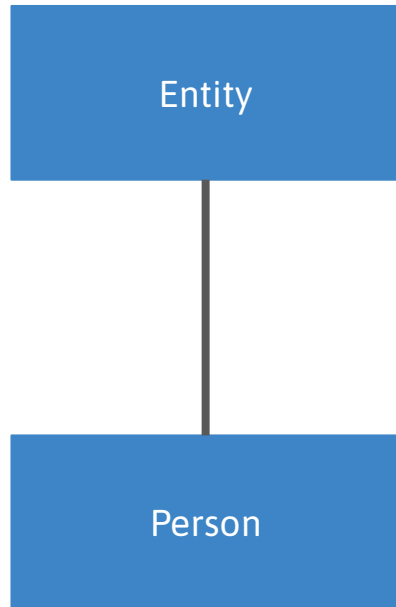
Bivariance

```
class Entity {  
  id: number = 0;  
}  
  
class Person extends Entity {  
  name: string = "";  
}  
  
interface Store<T> {  
  save(entity: T): void;  
}  
  
let personStore: Store<Person> = { save: () => new Person() };  
let entityStore: Store<Entity> = personStore; // works  
  
entityStore = { save: () => new Entity() };  
personStore = entityStore; // works
```



Invariance

```
class Entity { id: number = 0; }  
class Person extends Entity { name: string = ""; }  
  
interface Store<T> {  
  save: (entity: T) => void;  
  create(): T;  
}  
  
let personStore: Store<Person> = {  
  save: (person: Person) => void true,  
  create: () => new Person(),  
};  
let entityStore: Store<Entity> = personStore; // fails  
  
entityStore = {  
  save: (entity: Entity) => void true,  
  create: () => new Entity(),  
};  
personStore = entityStore; // fails
```



Variance (simplified)

- covariant
 - properties
- contravariant
 - Function parameter when function is defined as a property
- bivariant
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Variance (common sense)

Covariant = goes out

Contravariant = goes in



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Utility Types

- NonNullable
- Partial
- Omit
- Readonly
- Required
- ReturnType
- Parameters

