

TYPE-SCRIPT

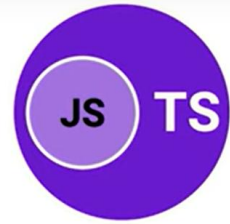
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What is TypeScript?



- A **strongly-typed** superset of JavaScript
- Adds **Static Typing** to the language & other features too
- Provides better **error checking**, enhanced tools, improved **code readability**

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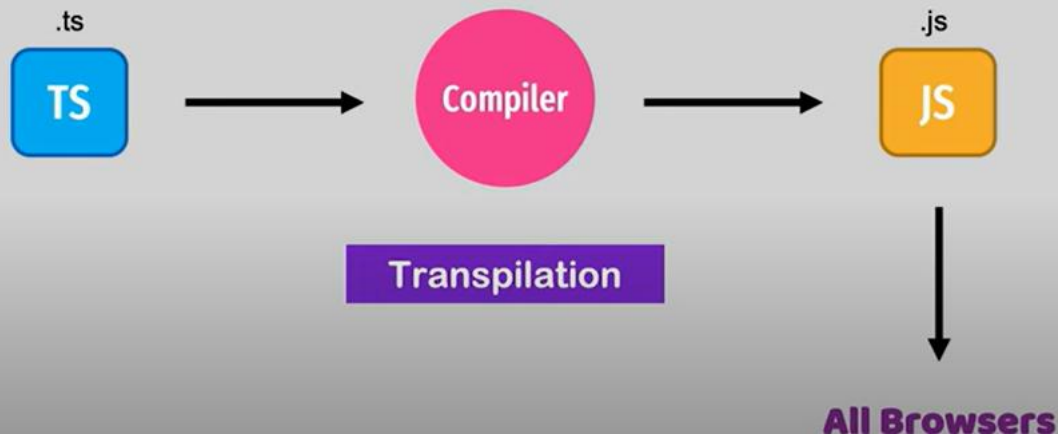
TypeScript vs JavaScript

| | TYPESCRIPT | JAVASCRIPT |
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| Type System | Statically typed (supports type annotations) | Dynamically typed |
| Compilation | Needs to be compiled to JavaScript | Directly executed by browsers and Node.js |
| Error checking | Compile-time error checking | Errors occur at runtime |
| Support for OOP | Better support with interfaces, classes, generics | Basic support with prototype-based OOP |
| Learning Curve | Higher due to static types and additional features | Easier to learn as it's simpler |
| Code Scalability | Easier to scale with static types, interfaces, and strong typing | More challenging to scale due to dynamic typing |

TypeScript vs JavaScript

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use Case | Suitable for large, complex applications | Ideal for smaller projects and fast prototyping |
| Interoperability | Can use JavaScript libraries and code | Fully interoperable with TypeScript |
| Development Speed | Slower due to type checks and compiling | Faster as no compilation is required |
| Community | Growing, particularly for large-scale applications | Large and well-established |
| Tooling | Rich tooling and editor support with autocompletion and refactoring | Basic tooling support |
| ES6+ features | Includes all ES6+ features and future proposals | Includes ES6+ features, but depends on browser/Node.js version |

How TypeScript Works?



Why TypeScript Compiles to JavaScript ?

- **JavaScript** is the language that **browsers** and **Node.js** understand natively
- **Browsers** cannot directly execute **TypeScript** code, so it needs to be converted into **JavaScript**. This process is called **Transpilation**.
- Key Reasons:
 - JavaScript Compatibility
 - Cross-Platform Execution
 - Leveraging JavaScript Libraries
 - Backward Compatibility
 - Type Safety without Runtime Changes

JavaScript Compatibility

- **Why?:** TypeScript is a **superset** of JavaScript, meaning it adds extra features (like static typing) on top of JavaScript's syntax. However, under the hood, it's still JavaScript.
- **Example:**

TypeScript

```
let message: string = "Hello, world!";  
console.log(message);
```

JavaScript

```
var message = "Hello, world!";  
console.log(message);
```

Here, the `: string` type annotation in TypeScript is removed during compilation, leaving regular JavaScript.

Cross-Platform Execution

- **Why?:** JavaScript runs in every browser and on many platforms like Node.js. So, converting TypeScript into JavaScript ensures the code will run on all these platforms without any extra dependencies.
- **Example:** A web application developed with TypeScript will be converted to JavaScript so that it can be run on all browsers, no matter if they support TypeScript or not.

Leveraging JavaScript Libraries

- **Why?:** Many libraries, like React, jQuery, or D3.js, are written in JavaScript. By compiling to JavaScript, TypeScript can easily integrate with these libraries without any special changes.
- **Example:**

TypeScript

```
// TypeScript function using jQuery
$('#myButton').on('click', function() {
    console.log('Button clicked!');
});
```

This will compile into JavaScript and work seamlessly with jQuery.

Backward Compatibility

- **Why?:** TypeScript supports modern JavaScript features (ES6+) even when older browsers might not. During compilation, TypeScript converts these modern features into a form that older browsers can understand.
- **Example:**

TypeScript with ES6 arrow function:

```
const greet = () => console.log("Hello, world!");
```

Compiled JavaScript for older browsers (using a regular function):

```
var greet = function() {
    console.log("Hello, world!");
};
```


Type Safety without Runtime Changes

- **Why?:** TypeScript's static types help developers catch errors during development but don't affect the performance of the running code. The types are stripped away in the final JavaScript, so there's no overhead when the program runs.

- **Example:** TypeScript checking types during development:

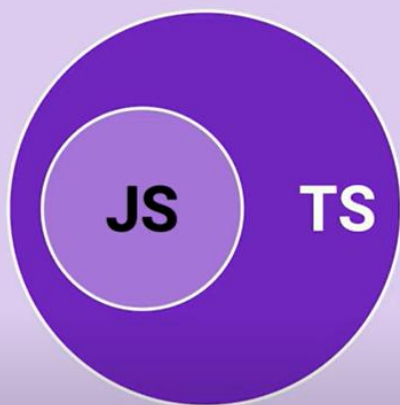
```
let age: number = "25"; // Error: "25" is not a number
```

Compiled JavaScript for older browsers (using a regular function):

```
var age = "25";
```

Conclusion

- **TypeScript** compiles to **JavaScript** to ensure the code can run on any environment that supports JavaScript, maintain compatibility with existing JavaScript libraries, and leverage static typing and modern features without sacrificing runtime performance.



Benefits

- Static Typing
- Code completion
- Refactoring
- Shorthand notations

Drawbacks

- Compilation
- Discipline in code

Module Systems in TypeScript

| Module System | Usage | Syntax | Support | Pros | Cons | Recommended For |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| commonjs | Default for Node.js | <code>require()</code> , <code>module.exports</code> | All Node.js versions, many npm packages | Simple, widely used in server-side JS | Synchronous loading, not suitable for modern browsers | Server-side Node.js apps, older projects |
| esnext | Latest ECMAScript standard | <code>import</code> , <code>export</code> | Modern browsers, Node.js 12+ | Async module loading, modern tooling support | May need polyfills for older browsers | Modern web apps, Node.js 12+ projects |
| es2022 | ECMAScript 2022 module system | <code>import</code> , <code>export</code> | Modern browsers, Node.js 18+ | Latest ECMAScript features, async loading | Compatibility issues with older environments | Cutting-edge projects targeting modern environments |
| amd | Browser projects using RequireJS | <code>define()</code> , <code>require()</code> | Browsers with RequireJS | Asynchronous module loading for browsers | Outdated in modern web dev | Legacy browser apps using RequireJS |



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| system | SystemJS for ES6 modules | <code>System.import()</code> | Browsers with SystemJS | Useful for older browsers or environments | Outdated, adds complexity | Legacy projects with SystemJS |
| umd | Universal (browser & Node.js) | Supports both <code>require()</code> and <code>define()</code> | Node.js and browsers | Cross-environment compatibility | Adds boilerplate code for both environments | Libraries targeting both Node.js and browser environments |
| none | No module system | No imports/exports | Custom environments | Used in custom setups | Rarely used in modern projects | Special use cases with custom tooling |

Built-in Types

JavaScript

- **number**
- **string**
- **boolean**
- **null**
- **undefined**
- **object**

TypeScript

- **any**
- **unknown**
- **never**
- **enum**
- **tuple**

Feature

Can define union types

Can define intersection types

Extending other types

Merging declarations

Used for primitives & other types

Flexibility

Interface

No

No
(can extend multiple interfaces)

Via **"extends"** keyword

Yes

No
(object structure only)

More restrictive (specific to objects & classes)

Type Alias

Yes

Yes

Via intersections **"&"**

No

Yes

More flexible (unions, intersections)

| Feature | Module | Namespace |
|----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Scope | File-based | Global (in-memory) |
| Syntax | import / export | namespace |
| Use Case | External dependencies | Internal, large projects |
| Benefits | Better for large-scale applications | Organizes internal code |

Question 1

- What is **TypeScript**?
- TypeScript is a superset of JavaScript that
- adds static types, allowing for improved code quality and error checking before runtime.
- It supports features like interfaces, enums, generics, and more.

Question 2

What is the key difference between `interface` and `type` aliases in TypeScript?

- `interface` is best for object shapes and is extendable.
- `type` aliases can represent any type (including primitives), and intersections and unions can be defined with them.
- Interfaces can't represent unions.

Question 3 (MCQ)

Which of the following is the correct way to define a function in TypeScript?

- A. `function myFunc(name: string): void { console.log(name); }`
- B. `function myFunc(name: string): string { console.log(name); }`
- C. `function myFunc(name): void { console.log(name); }`
- D. `function myFunc(name): any { console.log(name); }`

Answer:

- A. `function myFunc(name: string): void { console.log(name); }`

Why?: Option A specifies both the parameter type and return type.

Question 4

What is the purpose of the **'readonly'** modifier in TypeScript?

The **'readonly'** modifier ensures that a property cannot be modified after it has been initialized, providing immutability.

Question 5 (MCQ)

Which TypeScript utility type can be used to make all properties of an interface optional?

- A. `Partial<T>`
- B. `Required<T>`
- C. `Readonly<T>`
- D. `Omit<T, K>`

Answer:

- A. `Partial<T>`

Question 6

How does TypeScript's '*any*' differ from '*unknown*'?

Both '*any*' and '*unknown*' can represent any type,

but '*unknown*' is safer since you cannot perform operations on an 'unknown' value without narrowing its type first,

while '*any*' disables type checking.



Question 7

What is **type inference** in TypeScript?

Type inference allows TypeScript to automatically determine a variable's type based on its value,

reducing the need for explicit type annotations.



Question 8 (MCQ)

What is the output of the following TypeScript code?

```
let x: unknown = 'hello';  
console.log(x.toUpperCase());
```

- A. 'undefined'
- B. 'HELLO'
- C. Error: Object is of type 'unknown'
- D. 'hello'

Answer:

C. Error: Object is of type 'unknown'

Question 9

What are **generics** in TypeScript?

Generics allow creating reusable components that work with a variety of types, enabling flexibility and type safety.

They can be used with functions, classes, and interfaces.



Question 10 (MCQ)

Which keyword is used to assert that a value has a specific type in TypeScript?

- A. typeof
- B. instanceof
- C. declare
- D. as

Answer:

D. as

Why?: 'as' is used for type assertions in TypeScript.



Question 11 (MCQ)

Which of the following is a correct way to use conditional types in TypeScript?

(Hint: Conditional types allow you to apply a logic to types based on whether one type **extends** another.)

- A. type Check<T> = T extends string ? boolean : number;
- B. type Check<T> = T is string ? boolean : number;
- C. type Check<T> = T matches string ? boolean : number;
- D. type Check<T> = typeof T === 'string' ? boolean : number;

Answer:

A. type Check<T> = T extends string ? boolean : number;

Why?: Conditional types in TypeScript use the syntax `T extends U ? X : Y` to dynamically infer types.



Question 12

How can you prevent a class property from being modified in TypeScript?

You can use the **`readonly`** modifier to prevent a class property from being modified after initialization.

Question 13 (MCQ)

Which of the following types allows creating a union of all possible string literal values from an object type in TypeScript?

(Hint: In TypeScript, an object type is a collection of properties (or keys) with values)

- A. `keyof typeof T`
- B. `keyof T`
- C. `keyUnion<T>`
- D. `keyType<T>`

Answer:

- A. `keyof typeof T`

Why?: ``keyof typeof T`` returns a union of all string literal keys of an object type.

`typeof` gets the type of a value or object.

`keyof` gets the union of all keys (property names) of that type.

Eg: `const myObject = { name: "John", age: 30 };`

// `keyof typeof myObject` will give: `"name" | "age"`



Question 14 (MCQ)

Which of the following is a valid example of tuple types in TypeScript?

- A. `let tuple: Array<number, string> = [1, 'hello'];`
- B. `let tuple: [number, string] = [1, 'hello'];`
- C. `let tuple: (number, string) = (1, 'hello');`
- D. `let tuple: [number | string] = [1, 'hello'];`

Answer:

- B. `let tuple: [number, string] = [1, 'hello'];`

Why?: Tuples define fixed-length arrays with specific types for each element. In this case, the tuple consists of a number and a string.



Question 15

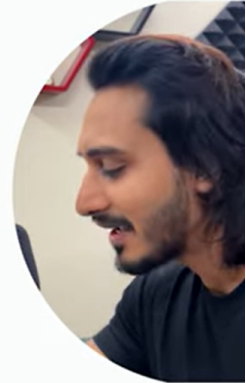
What are discriminated unions in TypeScript?

Discriminated unions use a common property (discriminator) across multiple types to distinguish between different types within a union, allowing for more precise type narrowing.

```
// Define the discriminated union
type Vehicle =
  | { type: 'car'; wheels: number }
  | { type: 'bicycle'; pedals: number };

// Function to describe the vehicle
function describeVehicle(vehicle: Vehicle) {
  // TypeScript will narrow the type based on the `type` property
  if (vehicle.type === 'car') {
    console.log(`This vehicle has ${vehicle.wheels} wheels.`);
  } else if (vehicle.type === 'bicycle') {
    console.log(`This vehicle has ${vehicle.pedals} pedals.`);
  }
}

// Example usage
const myCar: Vehicle = { type: 'car', wheels: 4 };
const myBike: Vehicle = { type: 'bicycle', pedals: 2 };
describeVehicle(myCar); // Output: This vehicle has 4 wheels.
describeVehicle(myBike); // Output: This vehicle has 2 pedals.
```



Question 16 (MCQ)

Which of the following would allow narrowing a type using the `in` operator in TypeScript?

*Hint: The **in operator** checks whether a specific property exists in an object or one of its prototypes. Syntax - 'propertyName' in object*

- A. if (object.hasOwnProperty('property')) { ... }
- B. if ('property' in object) { ... }
- C. if (object.property !== undefined) { ... }
- D. if (typeof object.property !== 'undefined') { ... }

Answer:

B. if ('property' in object) { ... }

Why?: The `in` operator checks if a property exists in an object and type accordingly.



Question 16 (MCQ)

if ('property' in object) is the correct way to narrow a type using the in operator because it checks whether 'property' exists in object. If the check passes, TypeScript narrows the type of object inside the if block, allowing access to that property with confidence.

Eg.

```
type Dog = { bark: () => void };
type Cat = { meow: () => void };

function animalSound(animal: Dog | Cat) {
  if ('bark' in animal) {
    animal.bark(); // TypeScript knows animal is a Dog here
  } else {
    animal.meow(); // TypeScript knows animal is a Cat here
  }
}
```

The in operator checks whether bark exists in animal. If true, TypeScript narrows the type to Dog, allowing safe access to bark(). If false, TypeScript narrows the type to Cat, allowing access to meow().



Question 17 (MCQ)

Which of the following is an example of using the `infer` keyword in TypeScript?

- A. type ReturnType<T> = T extends (...args: any[]) => infer R ? R : never;
- B. type ReturnType<T> = infer T extends (...args: any[]) => R ? R : never;
- C. type ReturnType<T> = T extends infer (...args: any[]) => R ? R : never;
- D. type ReturnType<T> = T matches (...args: any[]) => infer R ? R : never;

Answer:

- A. type ReturnType<T> = T extends (...args: any[]) => infer R ? R : never;

Question 17 (MCQ)

Which of the following is an example of using the `infer` keyword in TypeScript?

The correct form of using infer in a conditional type is: T extends U ? infer R : never

T is a type.

U is a type pattern.

If T matches U, we **infer** some type R from U.

If the condition is met, the type R can be used in the "true" branch of the conditional type.



Question 17 (MCQ)

Which of the following is an example of using the `infer` keyword in TypeScript?

Analyzing the Options:

1. type ReturnType<T> = T extends (...args: any[]) => infer R ? R : never;

This is the **correct answer** because it uses the infer keyword correctly to infer the return type R from a function type.

This checks if T is a function type. If it is, TypeScript **infers** R as the return type of the function, and returns R. Otherwise, it returns never.

Eg:

```
type MyFunc = (x: number) => string;
type Result = ReturnType<MyFunc>; // Result is string
```

In this example, T is the function (x: number) => string. The infer R part captures the return type R, which is string.



// Infer Keyword with condition another Example functions

```
function add(a: number, b: number): number {
  return a + b;
}
```

```
function greet(name: string): string {
  return `Hello, ${name}`;
}
```

// Using the ReturnType utility type to infer the return type of these functions

```
type AddReturnType = ReturnType<typeof add>; // number
type GreetReturnType = ReturnType<typeof greet>; // string
```

// Checking the inferred types

```
const numberResult: AddReturnType = 42;
// This works, because the inferred return type is 'number'
```

```
const stringResult: GreetReturnType = "Hello, John";
// This works, because the inferred return type is 'string'
```

Done