

# Fundamentals of Ada

# Overview

## About This Course

# Styles

- *This* is a definition
- `this/is/a.path`
- code *is* highlighted
- `commands are emphasised --like-this`

## A Little History

# The Name

- First called DoD-1
- Augusta Ada Byron, "first programmer"
  - Lord Byron's daughter
  - Planned to calculate **Bernoulli's numbers**
  - **First** computer program
  - On **Babbage's Analytical Engine**
- Writing **ADA** is like writing **CPLUSPLUS**
- International Standards Organization standard
  - Updated about every 10 years

# Ada Evolution Highlights

**Ada 83** Abstract Data Types  
Modules  
Concurrency  
Generics  
Exceptions

**Ada 95** OOP  
Efficient synchronization  
Better Access Types  
Child Packages  
Annexes

**Ada 2005** Multiple Inheritance  
Containers  
Better Limited Types  
More Real-Time  
Ravenscar

**Ada 2012** Contracts  
Iterators  
Flexible Expressions  
More containers  
Multi-processor Support  
More Real-Time

**Ada 2022** 'Image for all types  
Target name symbol  
Support for C varidics  
Declare expression  
Simplified **renames**

## Big Picture



# Language Structure (Ada95 and Onward)

- **Required** *Core* implementation
  - Reference Manual (RM) sections 1 → 13
  - Predefined Language Environment (Annex A)
  - Foreign Language Interfaces (Annex B)
- **Optional** *Specialized Needs Annexes*
  - No additional syntax
  - Systems Programming (C)
  - Real-Time Systems (D)
  - Distributed Systems (E)
  - Information Systems (F)
  - Numerics (G)
  - High-Integrity Systems (H)

# Core Language Content

- Ada is a **compiled, multi-paradigm** language
- With a **static** and **strong** type model
- Language-defined types, including string
- User-defined types
- Overloading procedures and functions
- Compile-time visibility control
- Abstract Data Types (ADT)
- Exceptions
- Generic units
- Dynamic memory management
- Low-level programming
- Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)
- Concurrent programming
- Contract-Based Programming

# Ada Type Model

- **Static** Typing
  - Object type **cannot change**
  - ... but run-time polymorphism available (OOP)
- **Strong** Typing
  - **Compiler-enforced** operations and values
  - **Explicit** conversions for "related" types
  - **Unchecked** conversions possible
- Predefined types
- Application-specific types
  - User-defined
  - Checked at compilation and run-time

# Strongly-Typed vs Weakly-Typed Languages

## ■ Weakly-typed:

- Conversions are **unchecked**
- Type errors are easy

```
typedef enum { north, south, east, west } direction ;  
direction heading = north;
```

```
heading = 1 + 3 * south/sun; // what?
```

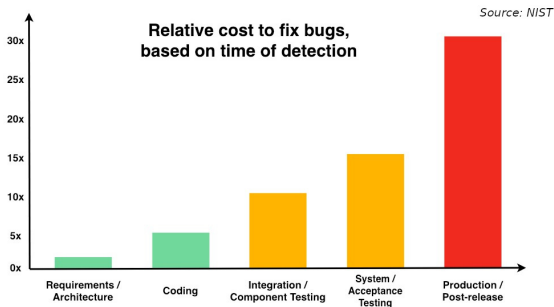
## ■ Strongly-typed:

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```
type Directions is ( North, South, East, West );  
Heading : Directions := North;  
...  
Heading := 1 + 3 * South/Sun; -- Compile Error
```

# The Type Model Saves Money

- Shifts fixes and costs to **early phases**
- **Cheaper**
  - Cost of an error *during a flight?*



# Type Model Run-Time Costs

- Checks at compilation **and** run-time
- **Same performance** for identical programs
  - Run-time type checks can be disabled
  - Compile-time check is *free*

## C

```
int X;  
int Y; // range 1 .. 10  
...  
if (X > 0 && X < 11)  
    Y = X;  
else  
    // signal a failure
```

## Ada

```
X : Integer;  
Y, Z : Integer range 1 .. 10;  
...  
Y := X;  
Z := Y; -- no check required
```

# Subprograms

- Syntax differs between *values* and *actions*
- **function** for a *value*

```
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean
```

- **procedure** for an *action*

```
procedure Split (T      : in out Tree;  
                Left   : out Tree;  
                Right  : out Tree)
```

- Specification  $\neq$  Implementation

```
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean;  
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean is  
begin  
    ...  
end Is_Leaf;
```

# Dynamic Memory Management

- Raw pointers are error-prone
- Ada **access types** abstract facility
  - Static memory
  - Allocated objects
  - Subprograms
- Accesses are **checked**
  - Unless unchecked mode is used
- Supports user-defined storage managers
  - Storage **pools**



# Packages

- Grouping of related entities
- Separation of concerns
  - Definition  $\neq$  usage
  - Single definition by **designer**
  - Multiple use by **users**
- Information hiding
  - Compiler-enforced **visibility**
  - Powerful **privacy** system

# Package Structure

- Declaration view
  - **Can** be referenced by user code
  - Exported types, variables...
- Private view
  - **Cannot** be referenced by user code
  - Exported **representations**
- Implementation view
  - Not exported

# Abstract Data Types (ADT)

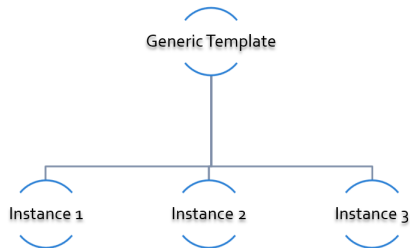
- **Variables** of the **type** encapsulate the **state**
- Classic definition of an ADT
  - Set of **values**
  - Set of **operations**
  - **Hidden** compile-time **representation**
- Compiler-enforced
  - Check of values and operation
  - Easy for a computer
  - Developer can focus on **earlier** phase: requirements

# Exceptions

- Dealing with **errors, unexpected** events
- Separate error-handling code from logic
- Some flexibility
  - Re-raising
  - Custom messages

# Generic Units

- Code Templates
  - Subprograms
  - Packages
- Parameterization
  - Strongly typed
  - **Expressive** syntax



# Object-Oriented Programming

- Extension of ADT
  - Sub-types
  - Run-time flexibility
- Inheritance
- Run-time polymorphism
- Dynamic **dispatching**
- Abstract types and subprograms
- **Interface** for multiple inheritance

# Contract-Based Programming

- Pre- and post-conditions
- Formalizes specifications

```
procedure Pop (S : in out Stack) with  
  Pre => not S.Empty, -- Requirement  
  Post => not S.Full; -- Guarantee
```

- Type invariants

```
type Table is private with Invariant => Sorted (Table);
```

# Language-Based Concurrency

## ■ Expressive

- Close to problem-space
- Specialized constructs
- **Explicit** interactions

## ■ Run-time handling

- Maps to OS primitives
- Several support levels (Ravenscar...)

## ■ Portable

- Source code
- People
- OS & Vendors



# Concurrency Mechanisms

- Task
  - **Active**
  - **Rich** API
  - OS threads
- Protected object
  - **Passive**
  - *Monitors* protected data
  - **Restricted** set of operations
  - No thread overhead
  - Very portable
- Object-Oriented
  - Synchronized interfaces
  - Protected objects inheritance

# Low Level Programming

- **Representation** clauses
  - Bit-level layouts
  - Storage pools definition
    - With access safeties
  - Foreign language integration
    - C
    - C++
    - Assembly
    - etc. ...
- Explicit specifications
  - Expressive
  - Efficient
  - Reasonably portable
  - Abstractions preserved

# Standard Language Environment

## Standardized common API

### ■ Types

- Integer
- Floating-point
- Fixed-point
- Boolean
- Characters, Strings, Unicode
- etc. ...

### ■ Math

- Trigonometric
- Complexes

### ■ Pseudo-random number generators

### ■ I/O

- Text
- Binary (direct / sequential)
- Files
- Streams

### ■ Exceptions

- Call-stack

### ■ **Command-line** arguments

### ■ **Environment** variables

### ■ **Containers**

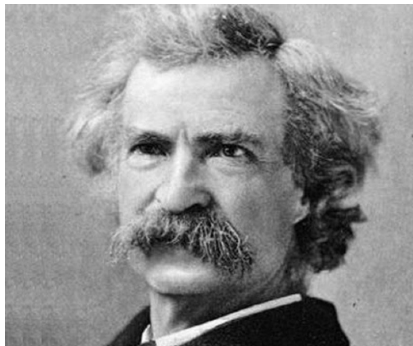
- Vector
- Map

# Language Examination Summary

- Unique capabilities
- Three main goals
  - **Reliability**, maintainability
  - Programming as a **human** activity
  - Efficiency
- Easy-to-use
  - ...and hard to misuse
  - Very **few pitfalls** and exceptions

# So Why Isn't Ada Used Everywhere?

- "... in all matters of opinion our adversaries are insane"
  - *Mark Twain*



## Setup

# Canonical First Program

```
1 with Ada.Text_IO;  
2 -- Everyone's first program  
3 procedure Say_Hello is  
4 begin  
5   Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ("Hello, World!");  
6 end Say_Hello;
```

- Line 1 - **with** - Package dependency
- Line 2 - **--** - Comment
- Line 3 - Say\_Hello - Subprogram name
- Line 4 - **begin** - Begin executable code
- Line 5 - Ada.Text\_IO.Put\_Line () - Subprogram call
- (cont) - "Hello, World!" - String literal (type-checked)

# "Hello World" Lab - Command Line

- Use an editor to enter the program shown on the previous slide
  - Use your favorite editor or just gedit/notepad/etc.
- Save and name the file `say_hello.adb` exactly
  - In a command prompt shell, go to where the new file is located and issue the following command:
    - `gprbuild say_hello`
- In the same shell, invoke the resulting executable:
  - `say_hello` (Windows)
  - `./say_hello` (Linux/Unix)



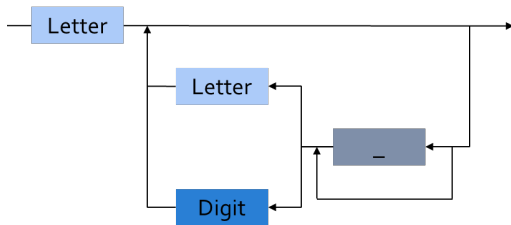
# "Hello World" Lab - GNAT STUDIO

- Start GNAT STUDIO from the command-line (`gnatstudio`) or Start Menu
- Create new project
  - Select `Simple Ada Project` and click `Next`
  - Fill in a location to to deploy the project
  - Set **main name** to `say_hello` and click `Apply`
- Expand the **src** level in the Project View and double-click `say_hello.adb`
  - Replace the code in the file with the program shown on the previous slide
- Execute the program by selecting `Build` → `Project` → `Build & Run` → `say_hello.adb`
  - Shortcut is the ► in the icons bar
- Result should appear in the bottom pane labeled *Run:* `say_hello.exe` (or *Run: say\_hello* on Linux)

# Declarations

## Introduction

# Identifiers



## ■ Legal identifiers

Phase2

A

Space\_Person

## ■ Not legal identifiers

Phase2\_\_1

A\_

\_space\_person

# String Literals

```
string_literal ::= "<string content>"

A_Null_String : constant string := "";
    -- two double quotes with nothing inside
String_Of_Length_One : constant string := "A";
Embedded_Single_Quotes : constant string :=
    "Embedded 'single' quotes";
Embedded_Double_Quotes : constant string :=
    "Embedded ""double"" quotes";
```

## Identifiers, Comments, and Pragmas

# Identifiers

- Syntax

`identifier ::= letter {[underline] letter_or_digit}`

- Character set **Unicode** 4.0

- 8, 16, 32 bit-wide characters

- Case **not significant**

- **SpacePerson**  $\longleftrightarrow$  **SPACEPERSON**
- but **different** from **Space\_Person**

- Reserved words are **forbidden**

# Reserved Words

<code>abort</code>	<code>else</code>	<code>null</code>	<code>reverse</code>
<code>abs</code>	<code>elsif</code>	<code>of</code>	<code>select</code>
<code>abstract</code> (95)	<code>end</code>	<code>or</code>	<code>separate</code>
<code>accept</code>	<code>entry</code>	<code>others</code>	<code>some</code> (2012)
<code>access</code>	<code>exception</code>	<code>out</code>	<code>subtype</code>
<code>aliased</code> (95)	<code>exit</code>	<code>overriding</code> (2005)	<code>synchronized</code> (2005)
<code>all</code>	<code>for</code>	<code>package</code>	<code>tagged</code> (95)
<code>and</code>	<code>function</code>	<code>parallel</code> (2022)	<code>task</code>
<code>array</code>	<code>generic</code>	<code>pragma</code>	<code>terminate</code>
<code>at</code>	<code>goto</code>	<code>private</code>	<code>then</code>
<code>begin</code>	<code>if</code>	<code>procedure</code>	<code>type</code>
<code>body</code>	<code>in</code>	<code>protected</code> (95)	<code>until</code> (95)
<code>case</code>	<code>interface</code> (2005)	<code>raise</code>	<code>use</code>
<code>constant</code>	<code>is</code>	<code>range</code>	<code>when</code>
<code>declare</code>	<code>limited</code>	<code>record</code>	<code>while</code>
<code>delay</code>	<code>loop</code>	<code>rem</code>	<code>with</code>
<code>delta</code>	<code>mod</code>	<code>renames</code>	<code>xor</code>
<code>digits</code>	<code>new</code>	<code>requeue</code> (95)	
<code>do</code>	<code>not</code>	<code>return</code>	



# Comments

- Terminate at end of line (i.e., no comment terminator sequence)

```
-- This is a multi-
```

```
-- line comment
```

```
A : B; -- this is an end-of-line comment
```

# Pragmas

- Compiler directives
  - Compiler action *not part of* Ada grammar
  - Only **suggestions**, may be **ignored**
  - Either standard or implementation-defined
- Unrecognized pragmas
  - **No effect**
  - Cause **warning** (standard mode)
- Malformed pragmas are **illegal**

```
pragma Page;  
pragma Optimize ( Off );
```

# Quiz

Which statement is legal?

- A. `Function : constant := 1;`
- B. `Fun_ction : constant := 1;`
- C. `Fun_ction : constant := --initial value-- 1;`
- D. `integer Fun_ction;`

# Quiz

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- D. `integer Fun_ction;`

Explanations

- A. `function` is a reserved word
- B. Correct
- C. Cannot have inline comments
- D. C-style declaration not allowed

## Numeric Literals

# Decimal Numeric Literals

## ■ Syntax

```
decimal_literal ::=  
    numeral [.num] E [+numeral|-numeral]  
numeral ::= digit {[underline] digit}
```

## ■ Underscore is not significant

## ■ E (exponent) must always be integer

## ■ Examples

12	0	1E6	123_456
12.0	0.0	3.14159_26	2.3E-4

# Based Numeric Literals

```
based_literal ::= base # numeral [.numeral] # exponent  
numeral ::= base_digit { '_' base_digit }
```

- Base can be 2 .. 16
- Exponent is always a base 10 integer

```
16#FFF#           => 4095  
2#1111_1111_1111# => 4095 -- With underline  
16#F.FF#E+2       => 4095.0  
8#10#E+3           => 4096 (8 * 8**3)
```

## Comparison To C's Based Literals

- Design in reaction to C issues
- C has **limited** bases support
  - Bases 8, 10, 16
  - No base 2 in standard
- Zero-prefixed octal 0nnn
  - **Hard** to read
  - **Error-prone**



# Quiz

Which statement is legal?

- A. `I : constant := 0_1_2_3_4;`
- B. `F : constant := 12.;`
- C. `I : constant := 8#77#E+1.0;`
- D. `F : constant := 2#1111;`

# Quiz

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- B. `F : constant := 12.;`
- C. `I : constant := 8#77#E+1.0;`
- D. `F : constant := 2#1111;`

## Explanations

- A. Underscores are not significant - they can be anywhere (except first and last character, or next to another underscore)
- B. Must have digits on both sides of decimal
- C. Exponents must be integers
- D. Missing closing `#`

## Object Declarations

# Declarations

- Associate a *name* to an *entity*
  - Objects
  - Types
  - Subprograms
  - et cetera
- Declaration **must precede** use
- **Some** implicit declarations
  - **Standard** types and operations
  - **Implementation**-defined

# Object Declarations

- Variables and constants
- Basic Syntax

```
<name> : subtype_indication [:= <initial value>];
```

- Examples

```
Z, Phase : Analog;  
Max : constant Integer := 200;  
-- variable with a constraint  
Count : Integer range 0 .. Max := 0;  
-- dynamic initial value via function call  
Root : Tree := F(X);
```

## Multiple Object Declarations

- Allowed for convenience

```
A, B : Integer := Next_Available(X);
```

- Identical to series of single declarations

```
A : Integer := Next_Available(X);
```

```
B : Integer := Next_Available(X);
```

- Warning: may get different value

```
T1, T2 : Time := Current_Time;
```

# Predefined Declarations

- **Implicit** declarations
- Language standard
- Annex A for *Core*
  - Package Standard
  - Standard types and operators
    - Numerical
    - Characters
  - About **half the RM** in size
- "Specialized Needs Annexes" for *optional*
- Also, implementation-specific extensions

# Implicit vs. Explicit Declarations

- Explicit → in the source

```
type Counter is range 0 .. 1000;
```

- Implicit → **automatically** by the compiler

```
function "+" ( Left, Right : Counter ) return Counter;  
function "-" ( Left, Right : Counter ) return Counter;  
function "*" ( Left, Right : Counter ) return Counter;  
function "/" ( Left, Right : Counter ) return Counter;  
...
```



# Elaboration

- Effects of the declaration
  - **Initial value** calculations
  - *Execution* at **run-time** (if at all)
- Objects
  - Memory **allocation**
  - Initial value
- Linear elaboration
  - Follows the program text
  - Top to bottom

**declare**

First\_One : Integer := 10;

Next\_One : Integer := First\_One;

Another\_One : Integer := Next\_One;

**begin**

...

# Quiz

Which block is illegal?

- A. `A, B, C : integer;`
- B. `Integer : Standard.Integer;`
- C. `Null : integer := 0;`
- D. `A : integer := 123;`  
`B : integer := A * 3;`

# Quiz

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- D. `A : integer := 123;`  
`B : integer := A * 3;`

Explanations

- A. Multiple objects can be created in one statement
- B. `integer` is *predefined* so it can be overridden
- C. `null` is *reserved* so it can **not** be overridden
- D. Elaboration happens in order, so B will be 369

## Universal Types

# Universal Types

- Implicitly defined
- Entire *classes* of numeric types
  - **universal\_integer**
  - **universal\_real**
  - **universal\_fixed**
- Match any integer / real type respectively
  - **Implicit** conversion, as needed

```
X : Integer64 := 2;
```

```
Y : Integer8 := 2;
```

# Numeric Literals Are Universally Typed

- No need to type them
  - e.g 0UL as in C
- Compiler handles typing
  - No bugs with precision

```
X : Unsigned_Long := 0;  
Y : Unsigned_Short := 0;
```

# Literals Must Match "Class" of Context

- **universal\_integer** literals → **integer**
- **universal\_real** literals → **fixed** or **floating** point
- Legal

```
X : Integer := 2;
```

```
Y : Float := 2.0;
```

- Not legal

```
X : Integer := 2.0;
```

```
Y : Float := 2;
```

## Named Numbers



# Named Numbers

- Associate a **name** with an **expression**
  - Used as **constant**
  - **universal\_integer**, or **universal\_real**
  - compatible with integer / real respectively
  - Expression must be **static**

- Syntax

```
<name> : constant := <static_expression>;
```

- Example

```
Pi : constant := 3.141592654;  
One_Third : constant := 1.0 / 3.0;
```

## A Sample Collection of Named Numbers

```
package Physical_Constants is
  Polar_Radius : constant := 20_856_010.51;
  Equatorial_Radius : constant := 20_926_469.20;
  Earth_Diameter : constant :=
    2.0 * ((Polar_Radius + Equatorial_Radius)/2.0);
  Gravity : constant := 32.1740_4855_6430_4;
  Sea_Level_Air_Density : constant :=
    0.002378;
  Altitude_Of_Tropopause : constant := 36089.0;
  Tropopause_Temperature : constant := -56.5;
end Physical_Constants;
```

# Named Number Benefit

- Evaluation at **compile time**
  - As if **used directly** in the code
  - **Perfect** accuracy

```
Named_Number    : constant :=      1.0 / 3.0;  
Typed_Constant  : constant float := 1.0 / 3.0;
```

```
F32  : Float_32;  
F64  : Float_64;  
F128 : Float_128;
```

Assignment	Actual Value
F32 := Named_Number;	3.33333E-01
F32 := Typed_Constant;	3.33333E-01
F64 := Named_Number;	3.333333333333333E-01
F64 := Typed_Constant;	3.333333_43267441E-01
F128 := Named_Number;	3.3333333333333333E-01
F128 := Typed_Constant	3.333333_43267440796E-01

## Scope and Visibility

# Scope and Visibility

- **Scope** of a name
  - Where the name is **potentially** available
  - Determines **lifetime**
  - Scopes can be **nested**
- **Visibility** of a name
  - Where the name is **actually** available
  - Defined by **visibility rules**
  - **Hidden** → *in scope* but **not visible**

# Introducing Block Statements

## ■ Sequence of statements

- Optional *declarative part*
- Can be **nested**
- Declarations **can hide** outer variables

## ■ Syntax

```
[<block-name> :] declare
    <declarative part>
begin
    <statements>
end [block-name];
```

## ■ Example

```
Swap: declare
    Temp : Integer;
begin
    Temp := U;
    U := V;
    V := Temp;
end Swap;
```

# Scope and "Lifetime"

- Object in scope → exists
- No *scoping* keywords
  - C's **static**, **auto** etc...

```
Outer : declare
  I : Integer;
begin
  I := 1;
  Inner : declare
    F : Float;
  begin
    F := 1.0;
  end Inner;
  I := I + 1;
end Outer;
```

Scope of I

Scope of F

# Name Hiding

- Caused by **homographs**

- **Identical** name
- **Different** entity

```
declare
  M : Integer;
begin
  ... -- M here is an INTEGER
  declare
    M : Float;
  begin
    ... -- M here is a FLOAT
  end;
  ... -- M here is an INTEGER
end;
```



# Overcoming Hiding

- Add a **prefix**
  - Needs named scope
- Homographs are a *code smell*
  - May need **refactoring**...

```
Outer : declare
  M : Integer;
begin
  ...
  declare
    M : Float;
  begin
    Outer.M := Integer(M); -- Prefixed
  end;
  ...
end Outer;
```

# Quiz

What output does the following code produce? (Assume Print prints the current value of its argument)

```
1  declare
2      M : Integer := 1;
3  begin
4      M := M + 1;
5      declare
6          M : Integer := 2;
7      begin
8          M := M + 2;
9          Print ( M );
10     end;
11     Print ( M );
12 end;
```

A. 2, 2

B. 2, 4

C. 4, 4

D. 4, 2

# Quiz

What output does the following code produce? (Assume Print prints the current value of its argument)

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1 declare
2     M : Integer := 1;
3 begin
4     M := M + 1;
5     declare
6         M : Integer := 2;
7     begin
8         M := M + 2;
9         Print ( M );
10    end;
11    Print ( M );
12 end;
```

A. 2, 2

B. 2, 4

C. 4, 4

D. 4, 2

## Explanation

- Inner M gets printed first. It is initialized to 2 and incremented by 2
- Outer M gets printed second. It is initialized to 1 and incremented by 1

## Aspect Clauses

# Aspect Clauses

Ada 2012

- Define **additional** properties of an entity
  - Representation (eg. **with** Pack)
  - Operations (eg. **Inline**)
  - Can be **standard** or **implementation**-defined
- Usage close to pragmas
  - More **explicit, typed**
  - **Cannot** be ignored
  - **Recommended** over pragmas
- Syntax
  - *Note*: always part of a **declaration**

```
with aspect_mark [ => expression]  
    {, aspect_mark [ => expression] }
```

# Aspect Clause Example: Objects

Ada 2012

## ■ Updated **object syntax**

```
<name> : <subtype_indication> [:= <initial value>]  
      with aspect_mark [ => expression]  
      {, aspect_mark [ => expression] };
```

## ■ Usage

```
CR1 : Control_Register with  
    Size      => 8,  
    Address => To_Address (16#DEAD_BEEF#);
```

```
-- Prior to Ada 2012
```

```
-- using *representation clauses*
```

```
CR2 : Control_Register;  
for CR2'Size use 8;  
for CR2'Address use To_Address (16#DEAD_BEEF#);
```

# Boolean Aspect Clauses

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- **Boolean** aspects only

- Longhand

```
procedure Foo with Inline => True;
```

- Aspect name only → **True**

```
procedure Foo with Inline; -- Inline is True
```

- No aspect → **False**

```
procedure Foo; -- Inline is False
```

- Original form!

## Summary



# Summary

- Declarations of a **single** type, permanently
  - OOP adds flexibility
- Named-numbers
  - **Infinite** precision, **implicit** conversion
- **Elaboration** concept
  - Value and memory initialization at **run-time**
- Simple **scope** and **visibility** rules
  - **Prefixing** solves **hiding** problems
- Pragmas, Aspects
- Detailed syntax definition in Annex P (using BNF)

# Basic Types

## Introduction

# Ada Type Model

- *Static* Typing
  - Object type **cannot change**
- *Strong* Typing
  - By **name**
  - **Compiler-enforced** operations and values
  - **Explicit** conversion for "related" types
  - **Unchecked** conversions possible

# Strong Typing

- Definition of *type*
  - Applicable **values**
  - Applicable *primitive* **operations**
- Compiler-enforced
  - **Check** of values and operations
  - Easy for a computer
  - Developer can focus on **earlier** phase: requirement

# A Little Terminology

- **Declaration** creates a **type name**

```
type <name> is <type definition>;
```

- **Type-definition** defines its structure

- Characteristics, and operations
- Base "class" of the type

```
type Type_1 is digits 12; -- floating-point  
type Type_2 is range -200 .. 200; -- signed integer  
type Type_3 is mod 256; -- unsigned integer
```

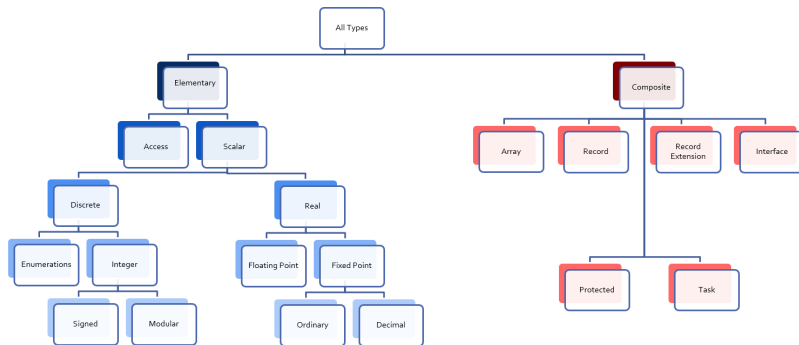
- **Representation** is the memory-layout of an **object** of the type

# Ada "Named Typing"

- **Name** differentiate types
- Structure does **not**
- Identical structures may **not** be interoperable

```
type Yen is range 0 .. 100_000_000;  
type Ruble is range 0 .. 100_000_000;  
Mine : Yen;  
Yours : Ruble;  
...  
Mine := Yours; -- not legal
```

# Categories of Types





# Scalar Types

- Indivisible: No components
- **Relational** operators defined ( $<$ ,  $=$ , ...)
  - **Ordered**
- Have common **attributes**
- **Discrete** Types
  - Integer
  - Enumeration
- **Real** Types
  - Floating-point
  - Fixed-point

# Discrete Types

- **Individual** ("discrete") values
  - 1, 2, 3, 4 ...
  - Red, Yellow, Green
- Integer types
  - Signed integer types
  - Modular integer types
    - Unsigned
    - **Wrap-around** semantics
    - Bitwise operations
- Enumeration types
  - Ordered list of **logical** values

# Attributes

- Functions *associated* with a type
  - May take input parameters
- Some are language-defined
  - *May* be implementation-defined
  - **Built-in**
  - Cannot be user-defined
  - Cannot be modified
- See RM K.2 *Language-Defined Attributes*
- Syntax

```
Type_Name'Attribute_Name;  
Type_Name'Attribute_With_Param (Param);
```

- ' often named *tick*

## Discrete Numeric Types

# Signed Integer Types

- Range of signed **whole** numbers
  - Symmetric about zero ( $-0 = +0$ )

- Syntax

```
type <identifier> is range <lower> .. <upper>;
```

- Implicit numeric operators

```
-- 12-bit device
```

```
type Analog_Conversions is range 0 .. 4095;
```

```
Count : Analog_Conversions;
```

```
...
```

```
begin
```

```
...
```

```
Count := Count + 1;
```

```
...
```

```
end;
```

# Specifying Integer Type Bounds

- Must be **static**
  - Compiler selects **base type**
  - Hardware-supported integer type
  - Compilation **error** if not possible

# Predefined Integer Types

- `Integer`  $\geq$  16 bits wide
- Other **probably** available
  - `Long_Integer`, `Short_Integer`, etc.
  - Guaranteed ranges: `Short_Integer`  $\leq$  `Integer`  $\leq$  `Long_Integer`
  - Ranges are all **implementation-defined**
- Portability not guaranteed
  - But may be difficult to avoid

# Operators for Any Integer Type

- By increasing precedence

relational operator = | /= | < | <= | > | >=

binary adding operator + | -

unary adding operator + | -

multiplying operator \* | / | **mod** | **rem**

highest precedence operator \*\* | **abs**

- *Note:* for exponentiation \*\*

- Result will be **Integer**
- So power **must** be **Integer** >= 0

- Division by zero → **Constraint\_Error**



# Integer Overflows

- Finite binary representation
- Common source of bugs

```
K : Short_Integer := Short_Integer'Last;
```

```
...
```

```
K := K + 1;
```

```
2#0111_1111_1111_1111# = (2**16)-1
```

```
+                               1
```

```
=====
```

```
2#1000_0000_0000_0000# = -32,768
```

# Integer Overflow: Ada vs others

- Ada
  - `Constraint_Error` standard exception
  - Incorrect numerical analysis
- Java
  - Silently **wraps** around (as the hardware does)
- C/C++
  - **Undefined** behavior (typically silent wrap-around)

# Modular Types

- Integer type
- **Unsigned** values
- Adds operations and attributes
  - Typically **bit-wise** manipulation
- Syntax

```
type <identifier> is mod <modulus>;
```

- Modulus must be **static**
- Resulting range is 0 .. modulus-1

```
type Unsigned_Word is mod 2**16; -- 16 bits, 0..65535  
type Byte is mod 256;           -- 8 bits, 0..255
```

# Modular Type Semantics

- Standard **Integer** operators
- **Wraps-around** in overflow
  - Like other languages' unsigned types
  - Attributes 'Pred and 'Succ
- Additional bit-oriented operations are defined
  - **and, or, xor, not**
  - **Bit shifts**
  - Values as **bit-sequences**

# Predefined Modular Types

- In Interfaces package
  - Need **explicit** import
- **Fixed-size** numeric types
- Common name **format**
  - Unsigned\_n
  - Integer\_n

```
type Integer_8 is range -2 ** 7 .. 2 ** 7 - 1;  
type Integer_16 is range -2 ** 15 .. 2 ** 15 - 1;  
...  
type Unsigned_8 is mod 2 ** 8;  
type Unsigned_16 is mod 2 ** 16;
```

## Integer Type (Signed and Modular) Literals

- **Must not** contain a **fractional** part
- **No** silent promotion/demotion
- **Conversion** can be used

```
type Counter_T is range 0 .. 40_000; -- integer type
OK : Counter_T := 0; -- Right type, legal
Bad : Counter_T := 0.0 ; -- Promotion, compile error
Legal : Counter_T := Counter_T (0.0); -- Conversion, legal
```

## String Attributes For All Scalars

- `T'Image( input )`
  - Converts `T`  $\rightarrow$  `String`
- `T'Value( input )`
  - Converts `String`  $\rightarrow$  `T`

```
Number : Integer := 12345;  
Input   : String( 1 .. N );  
...  
Put_Line( Integer'Image(Number) );  
...  
Get( Input );  
Number := Integer'Value( Input );
```

## Range Attributes For All Scalars

- T'First
  - First (**smallest**) value of type T
- T'Last
  - Last (**greatest**) value of type T
- T'Range
  - Shorthand for T'First .. T'Last

```
type Signed_T is range -99 .. 100;  
Smallest : Signed_T := Signed_T'First;  -- -99  
Largest  : Signed_T := Signed_T'Last;   -- 100
```



# Neighbor Attributes For All Scalars

## ■ T'Pred (Input)

- Predecessor of specified value
- Input type must be T

## ■ T'Succ (Input)

- Successor of specified value
- Input type must be T

```
type Signed_T is range -128 .. 127;
```

```
type Unsigned_T is mod 256;
```

```
Signed    : Signed_T := -1;
```

```
Unsigned  : Unsigned_T := 0;
```

```
...
```

```
Signed := Signed_T'Succ( Signed ); -- Signed = 0
```

```
...
```

```
Unsigned := Unsigned_T'Pred( Unsigned ); -- Signed = 255
```

## Min/Max Attributes For All Scalars

- `T'Min (Value_A, Value_B)`
  - **Lesser** of two `T`
- `T'Max (Value_A, Value_B)`
  - **Greater** of two `T`

```
Safe_Lower : constant := 10;  
Safe_Upper : constant := 30;  
C : Integer := 15;  
...  
C := Integer'Max (Safe_Lower, C - 1);  
...  
C := Integer'Min (Safe_Upper, C + 1);
```

# Quiz

What happens when you try to compile/run this code?

```
C1 : constant := 2 ** 1024;  
C2 : constant := 2 ** 1024 + 10;  
C3 : constant := C1 - C2;  
V  : Integer := C1 - C2;
```

- ☐ A. Compile error
- ☐ B. Run-time error
- ☐ C. V is assigned to -10
- ☐ D. Unknown - depends on the compiler

# Quiz

What happens when you try to compile/run this code?

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C1 : constant := 2 ** 1024;  
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V  : Integer := C1 - C2;
```

- ☐ A. Compile error
- ☐ B. Run-time error
- ☒ C. *V is assigned to -10*
- ☐ D. Unknown - depends on the compiler

## Explanations

- $2^{1024}$  too big for most run-times BUT
- C1, C2, and C3 are named numbers, not typed constants
  - Compiler uses unbounded precision for named numbers
  - Large intermediate representation does not get stored in object code
- For assignment to V, subtraction is computed by compiler
  - V is assigned the value -10

## Enumeration Types

# Enumeration Types

- Enumeration of **logical** values

- Integer value is an implementation detail

- Syntax

```
type <identifier> is ( <identifier-list> ) ;
```

- Literals

- Distinct, ordered
  - Can be in **multiple** enumerations

```
type Colors is (Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Violet);
```

```
type Stop_Light is (Red, Yellow, Green);
```

```
...
```

```
-- Red both a member of Colors and Stop_Light
```

```
Shade : Colors := Red;
```

```
Light : Stop_Light := Red;
```

# Enumeration Type Operations

- Assignment, relationals
- **Not** numeric quantities
  - *Possible* with attributes
  - Not recommended

```
type Directions is ( North, South, East, West );
type Days is ( Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun );
Heading : Directions;
Today, Tomorrow : Days;
...
Today := Mon;
Today := North; -- compile error
Heading := South;
Heading := East + 1; -- compile error
if Today < Tomorrow then ...
```

# Character Types

- Literals
  - Enclosed in single quotes eg. 'A'
  - Case-sensitive
- **Special-case** of enumerated type
  - At least one character enumeral
- System-defined **Character**
- Can be user-defined

```
type EBCDIC is ( nul, ..., 'a' , ..., 'A', ..., del );  
Control : EBCDIC := 'A';  
Nullo : EBCDIC := nul;
```



# Language-Defined Type Boolean

- Enumeration

```
type Boolean is ( False, True );
```

- Supports assignment, relational operators, attributes

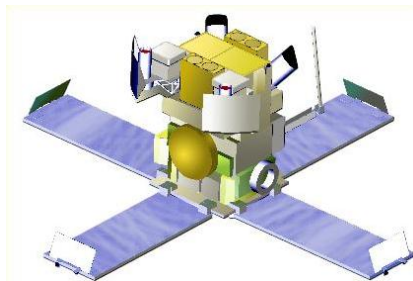
```
A : Boolean;  
Counter : Integer;  
...  
A := (Counter = 22);
```

- Logical operators **and**, **or**, **xor**, **not**

```
A := B or ( not C ); -- For A, B, C boolean
```

# Why Boolean Isn't Just An Integer?

- Example: Real-life error
  - HETE-2 satellite **attitude control** system software (ACS)
  - Written in **C**
- Controls four "solar paddles"
  - Deployed after launch



# Why Boolean Isn't Just An Integer!

- **Initially** variable with paddles' state
  - Either **all** deployed, or **none** deployed

- Used `int` as a boolean

```
if (rom->paddles_deployed == 1)
    use_deployed_inertia_matrix();
else
    use_stowed_inertia_matrix();
```

- Later `paddles_deployed` became a **4-bits** value
  - One bit per paddle
  - `0` → none deployed, `0xF` → all deployed
- Then, `use_deployed_inertia_matrix()` if only first paddle is deployed!
- Better: boolean function `paddles_deployed()`
  - Single line to modify

## Boolean Operators' Operand Evaluation

- Evaluation order **not specified**
- May be needed
  - Checking value **before** operation
  - Dereferencing null pointers
  - Division by zero

```
if Divisor /= 0 and K / Divisor = Max then ... -- Problem!
```

# Short-Circuit Control Forms

- **Short-circuit** → **fixed** evaluation order

- Left-to-right

- Right only evaluated **if necessary**

- **and then**: if left is False, skip right

`Divisor /= 0 and then K / Divisor = Max`

- **or else**: if left is True, skip right

`Divisor = 0 or else K / Divisor = Max`

# Quiz

```
type Enum_T is ( Able, Baker, Charlie );
```

Which statement will generate an error?

- A. V1 : Enum\_T := Enum\_T'Value ("Able");
- B. V2 : Enum\_T := Enum\_T'Value ("BAKER");
- C. V3 : Enum\_T := Enum\_T'Value (" charlie ");
- D. V4 : Enum\_T := Enum\_T'Value ("Able Baker Charlie");

# Quiz

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- B. `V2 : Enum_T := Enum_T'Value ("BAKER");`
- C. `V3 : Enum_T := Enum_T'Value (" charlie ");`
- D. `V4 : Enum_T := Enum_T'Value ("Able Baker Charlie");`

Explanations

- A. Legal
- B. Legal - conversion is case-insensitive
- C. Legal - leading/trailing blanks are ignored
- D. Value tries to convert entire string, which will fail at run-time

## Real Types



# Real Types

- Approximations to **continuous** values
  - 1.0, 1.1, 1.11, 1.111 ... 2.0, ...
  - Finite hardware → approximations
- Floating-point
  - **Variable** exponent
  - **Large** range
  - Constant **relative** precision
- Fixed-point
  - **Constant** exponent
  - **Limited** range
  - Constant **absolute** precision
  - Subdivided into Binary and Decimal
- Class focuses on floating-point

## Real Type (Floating and Fixed) Literals

- **Must** contain a fractional part
- No silent promotion

```
type Phase is digits 8; -- floating-point
```

```
OK : Phase := 0.0;
```

```
Bad : Phase := 0; -- compile error
```

# Declaring Floating Point Types

## ■ Syntax

```
type <identifier> is  
    digits <expression> [range constraint];
```

- *digits* → **minimum** number of significant digits
- **Decimal** digits, not bits

## ■ Compiler chooses representation

- From **available** floating point types
- May be **more** accurate, but not less
- If none available → declaration is **rejected**

# Predefined Floating Point Types

- Type `Float`  $\geq$  6 digits
- Additional implementation-defined types
  - `Long_Float`  $\geq$  11 digits
- General-purpose
- Best to **avoid** predefined types
  - Loss of **portability**
  - Easy to avoid

# Floating Point Type Operators

- By increasing precedence

relational operator = | /= | < | >= | > | <=

binary adding operator + | -

unary adding operator + | -

multiplying operator \* | /

highest precedence operator \*\* | **abs**

- Note on floating-point exponentiation \*\*

- Power must be **Integer**

- Not possible to ask for root

- $X^{**0.5} \rightarrow \text{sqrt}(x)$

# Floating Point Type Attributes

## ■ Core attributes

```
type Real is digits N;  -- N static
```

### ■ Real'Digits

- Number of digits **requested** (N)

### ■ Real'Base'Digits

- Number of **actual** digits

### ■ Real'Rounding (X)

- Integral value nearest to X
- *Note* Float'Rounding (0.5) = 1 and  
Float'Rounding (-0.5) = -1

## ■ Model-oriented attributes

- Advanced machine representation of the floating-point type
- Mantissa, strict mode

# Numeric Types Conversion

- Ada's integer and real are *numeric*
  - Holding a numeric value
- Special rule: can always convert between numeric types
  - Explicitly
  - Real  $\rightarrow$  Integer causes **rounding**

**declare**

N : Integer := 0;

F : Float := 1.5;

**begin**

N := Integer (F); -- N = 2

F := Float (N); -- F = 2.0

# Quiz

What is the output of this code?

```
declare
  F : Float := 7.6;
  I : Integer := 10;
begin
  F := Float ( Integer(F) / I );
  Put_Line ( Float'Image ( F ) );
end;
```

- ☐ A. 7.6
- ☐ B. Compile Error
- ☐ C. 8.0
- ☐ D. 0.0



# Quiz

What is the output of this code?

```
declare
  F : Float := 7.6;
  I : Integer := 10;
begin
  F := Float ( Integer(F) / I );
  Put_Line ( Float'Image ( F ) );
end;
```

- A. 7.6
- B. Compile Error
- C. 8.0
- D. **0.0**

Explanations

- A. Result of `F := F / Float(I);`
- B. Result of `F := F / I;`
- C. Result of `F := Float (Integer (F)) / Float (I);`
- D. Integer value of F is 8. Integer result of dividing that by 10 is 0. Converting to float still gives us 0

## Miscellaneous

# Checked Type Conversions

- Between "closely related" types
  - Numeric types
  - Inherited types
  - Array types
- Illegal conversions **rejected**
  - Unsafe **Unchecked\_Conversion** available
- Functional syntax
  - Function named `Target_Type`
  - Implicitly defined
  - **Must** be explicitly called

```
Target_Float := Float (Source_Integer);
```

# Default Value

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- Not defined by language for **scalars**
- Can be done with an **aspect clause**
  - Only during type declarations
  - <value> must be static

```
type Type_Name is <type_definition>  
    with Default_Value => <value>;
```

- Example

```
type Tertiary_Switch is (Off, On, Neither)  
    with Default_Value => Neither;  
Implicit : Tertiary_Switch; -- Implicit = Neither  
Explicit : Tertiary_Switch := Neither;
```

# Simple Static Type Derivation

- New type from an existing type
  - **Limited** form of inheritance: operations
  - **Not** fully OOP
  - More details later
- Strong type benefits
  - Only **explicit** conversion possible
  - eg. Meters can't be set from a Feet value

- Syntax

```
type identifier is new Base_Type [<constraints>]
```

- Example

```
type Measurement is digits 6;  
type Distance is new Measurement  
    range 0.0 .. Measurement'Last;
```

## Subtypes

# Subtype

- May **constrain** an existing type
- Still the **same** type
- Syntax

```
subtype Defining_Identifier is Type_Name [constraints];
```

- Type\_Name is an existing **type** or **subtype**
- If no constraint → type alias

# Subtype Example

- Enumeration type with **range** constraint

```
type Days is (Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat);  
subtype Weekdays is Days range Mon .. Fri;  
Workday : Weekdays; -- type Days limited to Mon .. Fri
```

- Equivalent to **anonymous** subtype

```
Same_As_Workday : Days range Mon .. Fri;
```



# Kinds of Constraints

- Range constraints on discrete types

```
subtype Positive is Integer range 1 .. Integer'Last;  
subtype Natural is Integer range 0 .. Integer'Last;  
subtype Weekdays is Days range Mon .. Fri;  
subtype Symmetric_Distribution is  
    Float range -1.0 .. +1.0;
```

- Other kinds, discussed later

# Effects of Constraints

- Constraints only on values

```
type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);  
subtype Weekdays is Days range Mon .. Fri;  
subtype Weekend is Days range Sat .. Sun;
```

- Functionalities are **kept**

```
subtype Positive is Integer range 1 .. Integer'Last;  
P : Positive;  
X : Integer := P; -- X and P are the same type
```

## Assignment Respects Constraints

- Right hand side of assignment must satisfy type constraints
- `Constraint_Error` otherwise

```
Q : Integer := some_value;  
P : Positive := Q; -- runtime error if Q <= 0  
N : Natural  := Q; -- runtime error if Q < 0  
J : Integer  := P; -- always legal  
K : Integer  := N; -- always legal
```

## Range Constraint Examples

```
subtype Proper_Subset is Positive range 1 .. 10;
subtype Same_Constraints is Positive
    range 1 .. Integer'Last;
subtype Letter is Character range 'A' .. 'z';
subtype Upper_Case is Letter range 'A' .. 'Z';
subtype Lower_Case is Letter range 'a' .. 'z';
subtype Null_Range is Integer
    range 1 .. 0;  -- silly when hard-coded...
-- evaluated when subtype defined, not when object declared
subtype Dynamic is Integer range Lower .. Upper;
```

# Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Sat, Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri);  
subtype Enum_Sub_T is Enum_T range Mon .. Fri;
```

Which subtype definition is valid?

- ☐ A. `subtype A is Enum_Sub_T range Enum_Sub_T'Pred  
    (Enum_Sub_T'First) .. Enum_Sub_T'Last;`
- ☐ B. `subtype B is range Sat .. Mon;`
- ☐ C. `subtype C is Integer;`
- ☐ D. `subtype D is digits 6;`

# Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Sat, Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri);  
subtype Enum_Sub_T is Enum_T range Mon .. Fri;
```

Which subtype definition is valid?

- A. `subtype A is Enum_Sub_T range Enum_Sub_T'Pred  
    (Enum_Sub_T'First) .. Enum_Sub_T'Last;`
- B. `subtype B is range Sat .. Mon;`
- C. `subtype C is Integer;`
- D. `subtype D is digits 6;`

Explanations

- A. This generates a run-time error because the first enumeral specified is not in the range of `Enum_Sub_T`
- B. Compile error - no type specified
- C. Correct - standalone subtype
- D. `Digits 6` is used for a type definition, not a subtype

## Lab

# Basic Types Lab

- Create types to handle the following concepts
  - Determining average test score
    - Number of tests taken
    - Total of all test scores
  - Number of degrees in a circle
  - Collection of colors
- Create objects for the types you've created
  - Assign initial values to the objects
  - Print the values of the objects
- Modify the objects you've created and print the new values
  - Determine the average score for all the tests
  - Add 359 degrees to the initial circle value
  - Set the color object to the value right before the last possible value



# Basic Types Lab Hints

- Understand the properties of the types
  - Do you need fractions or just whole numbers?
  - What happens when you want the number to wrap?
- Predefined package **Ada.Text\_IO** is handy...
  - Procedure **Put\_Line** takes a **String** as the parameter
- Remember attribute **'Image** returns a **String**

```
<typemark>'Image ( Object )  
Object'Image
```

# Basic Types Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Main is

    type Number_Of_Tests_T is range 0 .. 100;
    type Test_Score_Total_T is digits 6 range 0.0 .. 10_000.0;

    type Degrees_T is mod 360;

    type Cymk_T is (Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black);

    Number_Of_Tests : Number_Of_Tests_T;
    Test_Score_Total : Test_Score_Total_T;

    Angle : Degrees_T;

    Color : Cymk_T;
```

# Basic Types Lab Solution - Implementation

```
begin
```

```
  -- assignment
```

```
  Number_Of_Tests := 15;  
  Test_Score_Total := 1_234.5;  
  Angle           := 180;  
  Color           := Magenta;
```

```
  Put_Line (Number_Of_Tests'Image);  
  Put_Line (Test_Score_Total'Image);  
  Put_Line (Angle'Image);  
  Put_Line (Color'Image);
```

```
  -- operations / attributes
```

```
  Test_Score_Total := Test_Score_Total / Test_Score_Total_T (Number_Of_Tests);  
  Angle           := Angle + 359;  
  Color           := Cymk_T'Pred (Cymk_T'Last);
```

```
  Put_Line (Test_Score_Total'Image);  
  Put_Line (Angle'Image);  
  Put_Line (Color'Image);
```

```
end Main;
```

# Basic Types Extra Credit

- See what happens when your data is invalid / illegal
  - Number of tests = 0
  - Assign a very large number to the test score total
  - Color type only has one value
  - Add a number larger than 360 to the circle value

## Summary

# Benefits of Strongly Typed Numerics

- **Prevent** subtle bugs
- Cannot mix Apples and Oranges
- Force to clarify **representation** needs
  - eg. constant with or with fractional part

```
type Yen is range 0 .. 1_000_000;  
type Ruble is range 0 .. 1_000_000;  
Mine : Yen := 1;  
Yours : Ruble := 1;  
Mine := Yours; -- illegal
```

# User-Defined Numeric Type Benefits

- Close to **requirements**
  - Types with **explicit** requirements (range, precision, etc.)
  - Best case: Incorrect state **not possible**
- Either implemented/respected or rejected
  - No run-time (bad) surprise
- **Portability** enhanced
  - Reduced hardware dependencies

# Summary

- User-defined types and strong typing is **good**
  - Programs written in application's terms
  - Computer in charge of checking constraints
  - Security, reliability requirements have a price
  - Performance **identical**, given **same requirements**
- User definitions from existing types *can* be good
- Right **trade-off** depends on **use-case**
  - More types → more precision → less bugs
  - Storing **both** feet and meters in **Float** has caused bugs
  - More types → more complexity → more bugs
  - A `Green_Round_Object_Altitude` type is probably **never needed**
- Default initialization is **possible**
  - Use **sparingly**



# Statements

## Introduction

# Statement Kinds

```
simple_statement ::=  
    null | assignment | exit |  
    goto | delay | raise |  
    procedure_call | return |  
    requeue | entry_call |  
    abort | code
```

```
compound_statement ::=  
    if | case | loop |  
    block | accept | select
```

# Procedure Calls (Overview)

- Procedure calls are statements as shown here
- More details in "Subprograms" section

```
procedure Activate ( This : in out Foo; Wait : in Boolean);
```

- Traditional call notation

```
Activate (Idle, True);
```

- "Distinguished Receiver" notation

- For tagged types

```
Idle.Activate (True);
```

## Parameter Associations In Calls

- Traditional *positional association* is allowed
  - Nth actual parameter goes to nth formal parameter

Activate ( Idle, True ); -- *positional*

- *Named association* also allowed
  - Name of formal parameter is explicit

Activate ( This => Idle, Wait => True ); -- *named*

- Both can be used together

Activate ( Idle, Wait => True ); -- *named then positional*

- But positional following named is a compile error

Activate ( This => Idle, True ); -- *ERROR*

## Block Statements

# Block Statements

- Local **scope**
- Optional declarative part
- Used for
  - Temporary declarations
  - Declarations as part of statement sequence
  - Local catching of exceptions
- Syntax

```
[block-name :]  
[declare <declarative part> ]  
begin  
    <statements>  
end [block-name];
```

# Block Statements Example

```
begin
  Get (V);
  Get (U);
  if U > V then -- swap them
    Swap: declare
      Temp : Integer;
    begin
      Temp := U;
      U := V;
      V := Temp;
    end Swap;
    -- Temp does not exist here
  end if;
  Print (U);
  Print (V);
end;
```



## Null Statements

# Null Statements

- Explicit no-op statement
- Constructs with required statement
- Explicit statements help compiler
  - Oversights
  - Editing accidents

```
case Today is
  when Monday .. Thursday =>
    Work (9.0);
  when Friday =>
    Work (4.0);
  when Saturday .. Sunday =>
    null;
end case;
```

## Assignment Statements

# Assignment Statements

- Syntax

`<variable> := <expression>;`

- Value of expression is copied to target variable
- The type of the RHS must be same as the LHS
  - Rejected at compile-time otherwise

```
type Miles_T is range 0 .. Max_Miles;  
type Km_T is range 0 .. Max_Kilometers  
...
```

```
M : Miles_T := 2; -- universal integer legal for any integer
```

```
K : Km_T := 2; -- universal integer legal for any integer
```

```
M := K; -- compile error
```

# Assignment Statements, Not Expressions

- Separate from expressions

- No Ada equivalent for these:

```
int a = b = c = 1;  
while (line = readline(file))  
    { ...do something with line... }
```

- No assignment in conditionals

- E.g. `if ( a == 1 )` compared to `if ( a = 1 )`

# Assignable Views

- A **view** controls the way an entity can be treated
  - At different points in the program text
- The named entity must be an assignable variable
  - Thus the view of the target object must allow assignment
- Various un-assignable views
  - Constants
  - Variables of **limited** types
  - Formal parameters of mode **in**

```
Max : constant Integer := 100;
```

```
...
```

```
Max := 200; -- illegal
```

# Target Variable Constraint Violations

- Prevent update to target value
  - Target is not changed at all
- May compile but will raise error at runtime
  - Predefined exception `Constraint_Error` is raised
- May be detected by compiler
  - Static value
  - Value is outside base range of type

```
Max : Integer range 1 .. 100 := 100;
```

```
...
```

```
Max := 0; -- run-time error
```

# Implicit Range Constraint Checking

- The following code

```
procedure Demo is
  K : Integer;
  P : Integer range 0 .. 100;
begin
  ...
  P := K;
  ...
end Demo;
```

- Generates assignment checks similar to

```
if K < 0 or K > 100 then
  raise Constraint_Error;
else
  P := K;
end if;
```

- Run-time performance impact



# Not All Assignments Are Checked

- Compilers assume variables of a subtype have appropriate values
- No check generated in this code

```
procedure Demo is
  P, K : Integer range 0 .. 100;
begin
  ...
  P := K;
  ...
end Demo;
```

# Quiz

```
type One_T is range 0 .. 100;  
type Two_T is range 0 .. 100;  
A : constant := 100;  
B : constant One_T := 99;  
C : constant Two_T := 98;  
X : One_T := 0;  
Y : Two_T := 0;
```

Which block is illegal?

- A.** X := A;  
Y := A;
- B.** X := B;  
Y := C;
- C.** X := One\_T(X + C);
- D.** X := One\_T(Y);  
Y := Two\_T(X);

# Quiz

```
type One_T is range 0 .. 100;  
type Two_T is range 0 .. 100;  
A : constant := 100;  
B : constant One_T := 99;  
C : constant Two_T := 98;  
X : One_T := 0;  
Y : Two_T := 0;
```

Which block is illegal?

- A.** X := A;  
Y := A;
- B.** X := B;  
Y := C;
- C.** X := One\_T(X + C);
- D.** X := One\_T(Y);  
Y := Two\_T(X);

Explanations

- A.** Legal - A is an untyped constant
- B.** Legal - B, C are correctly typed
- C.** Illegal - C must be cast by itself
- D.** Legal - Values are typecast appropriately

## Conditional Statements

# If-then-else Statements

- Control flow using Boolean expressions
- Syntax

```
if <boolean expression> then -- No parentheses
    <statements>;
[else
    <statements>;]
end if;
```

- At least one statement must be supplied
  - `null` for explicit no-op

# If-then-elsif Statements

- Sequential choice with alternatives
- Avoids **if** nesting
- **elsif** alternatives, tested in textual order
- **else** part still optional

```
1  if Valve(N) /= Closed then
2      Isolate (Valve(N));
3      Failure (Valve (N));
4  else
5      if System = Off then
6          Failure (Valve (N));
7      end if;
8  end if;
```

```
1  if Valve(N) /= Closed then
2      Isolate (Valve(N));
3      Failure (Valve (N));
4  elsif System = Off then
5      Failure (Valve (N));
6  end if;
```

# Case Statements

- Exclusionary choice among alternatives
- Syntax

```
case <expression> is
  when <choice> => <statements>;
  { when <choice> => <statements>; }
end case;

choice ::= <expression> | <discrete range>
         | others { "|" <other choice> }
```

## Simple case Statements

```
type Directions is (Forward, Backward, Left, Right);  
Direction : Directions;  
...  
case Direction is  
  when Forward => Go_Forward (1);  
  when Backward => Go_Backward (1);  
  when Left     => Go_Left (1);  
  when Right    => Go_Right (1);  
end case;
```

- *Note:* No fall-through between cases



# Case Statement Rules

- More constrained than a if-elsif structure
- **All** possible values must be covered
  - Explicitly
  - ... or with **others** keyword
- Choice values cannot be given more than once (exclusive)
  - Must be known at **compile** time

# Others Choice

- Choice by default
  - "everything not specified so far"
- Must be in last position

```
case Today is    -- work schedule
  when Monday =>
    Go_To (Work, Arrive=>Late, Leave=>Early);
  when Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday => -- Several choices
    Go_To (Work, Arrive=>Early, Leave=>Late);
  when Friday =>
    Go_To (Work, Arrive=>Early, Leave=>Early);
  when others => -- weekend
    Go_To (Home, Arrive=>Day_Before, Leave=>Day_After);
end case;
```

# Case Statements Range Alternatives

```
case Altitude_Ft is
  when 0 .. 9 =>
    Set_Flight_Indicator (Ground);
  when 10 .. 40_000 =>
    Set_Flight_Indicator (In_The_Air);
  when others => -- Large altitude
    Set_Flight_Indicator (Too_High);
end case;
```

## Dangers of *Others* Case Alternative

- Maintenance issue: new value requiring a new alternative?
  - Compiler won't warn: **others** hides it

```
type Agencies_T is (NASA, ESA, RFSA); -- could easily grow
Bureau : Agencies_T;
...
case Bureau is
  when ESA =>
    Set_Region (Europe);
  when NASA =>
    Set_Region (America);
  when others =>
    Set_Region (Russia); -- New agencies will be Russian!
end case;
```

# Quiz

```
A : integer := 100;
```

```
B : integer := 200;
```

Which choice needs to be modified to make a valid `if` block

☐ A. `if A == B and then A != 0 then`

```
    A := Integer'First;
```

```
    B := Integer'Last;
```

☐ B. `elsif A < B then`

```
    A := B + 1;
```

☐ C. `elsif A > B then`

```
    B := A - 1;
```

☐ D. `end if;`

# Quiz

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```

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```
    A := B + 1;
```

☐ C. `elsif A > B then`

```
    B := A - 1;
```

☐ D. `end if;`

Explanations

- A uses the C-style equality/inequality operators
- D is legal because `else` is not required

# Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);  
A : Enum_T;
```

Which choice needs to be modified to make a valid `case` block

```
case A is
```

- A. when Sun =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Day Off" );
- B. when Mon | Fri =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Short Day" );
- C. when Tue .. Thu =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Long Day" );
- D. end case;

# Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);  
A : Enum_T;
```

Which choice needs to be modified to make a valid **case** block

**case** A **is**

- A. when Sun =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Day Off" );
- B. when Mon | Fri =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Short Day" );
- C. when Tue .. Thu =>  
    Put\_Line ( "Long Day" );
- D. **end case;**

Explanations

- Ada requires all possibilities to be covered
- Add **when others** or **when Sat**



## Loop Statements

# Basic Loops and Syntax

- All kind of loops can be expressed

- Optional iteration controls
- Optional exit statements

- Syntax

```
[<name> :] [iteration_scheme] loop  
    <statements>  
end loop [<name>];
```

```
iteration_scheme ::= while <boolean expression>  
                  | for <loop_parameter_specification>  
                  | for <loop_iterator_specification>
```

- Example

```
Wash_Hair : loop  
    Lather (Hair);  
    Rinse (Hair);  
end loop Wash_Hair;
```

# Loop Exit Statements

- Leaves innermost loop
  - Unless loop name is specified

- Syntax

```
exit [<loop name>] [when <boolean expression>];
```

- `exit when` exits with condition

```
loop
```

```
...
```

```
-- If it's time to go then exit
```

```
exit when Time_to_Go;
```

```
...
```

```
end loop;
```

# Exit Statement Examples

- Equivalent to C's `do while`

```
loop
  Do_Something;
  exit when Finished;
end loop;
```

- Nested named loops and exit

```
Outer : loop
  Do_Something;
  Inner : loop
    ...
    exit Outer when Finished; -- will exit all the way out
    ...
  end loop Inner;
end loop Outer;
```

# While-loop Statements

## ■ Syntax

```
while boolean_expression loop
    sequence_of_statements
end loop;
```

## ■ Identical to

```
loop
    exit when not boolean_expression;
    sequence_of_statements
end loop;
```

## ■ Example

```
while Count < Largest loop
    Count := Count + 2;
    Display (Count);
end loop;
```

# For-loop Statements

- One low-level form
  - General-purpose (looping, array indexing, etc.)
  - Explicitly specified sequences of values
  - Precise control over sequence
- Two high-level forms
  - Ada 2012
  - Focused on objects
  - Seen later with Arrays

# For in Statements

- Successive values of a **discrete** type

- eg. enumerations values

- Syntax

```
for name in [reverse] discrete_subtype_definition loop
...
end loop;
```

- Example

```
for Day in Days_T loop
  Refresh_Planning (Day);
end loop;
```

# Variable and Sequence of Values

- Variable declared implicitly by loop statement
  - Has a view as constant
  - No assignment or update possible
- Initialized as 'First, incremented as 'Succ
- Syntactic sugar: several forms allowed

*-- All values of a type or subtype*

```
for Day in Days_T loop
```

```
for Day in Days_T range Mon .. Fri -- anonymous subtype
```

*-- Constant and variable range*

```
for Day in Mon .. Fri loop
```

```
Today, Tomorrow : Days_T;
```

```
...
```

```
for Day in Today .. Tomorrow loop
```



## Low-Level For-loop Parameter Type

- The type can be implicit
  - As long as it is clear for the compiler
  - Warning: same name can belong to several enums

```
-- Error if Red and Green in Color_T and Stoplight_T  
for Color in Red .. Green loop
```

- Type **Integer** by default
  - Each bound must be a **universal\_integer**

# Null Ranges

- *Null range* when lower bound > upper bound
  - `1 .. 0, Fri .. Mon`
  - Literals and variables can specify null ranges
- No iteration at all (not even one)
- Shortcut for upper bound validation

```
-- Null range: loop not entered  
for Today in Fri .. Mon loop
```

## Reversing Low-Level Iteration Direction

- Keyword **reverse** reverses iteration values
  - Range must still be ascending
  - Null range still cause no iteration

```
for This_Day in reverse Mon .. Fri loop
```

## For-Loop Parameter Visibility

- Scope rules don't change
- Inner objects can hide outer objects

Block: **declare**

Counter : **Float** := 0.0;

**begin**

*-- For\_Loop.Counter hides Block.Counter*

For\_Loop : **for** Counter **in** **Integer range** A .. B **loop**

...

**end loop;**

**end;**

## Referencing Hidden Names

- Must copy for-loop parameter to some other object if needed after the loop exits
- Use dot notation with outer scope name when hiding occurs

Foo:

**declare**

Counter : Float := 0.0;

**begin**

...

**for** Counter **in** Integer **range** 1 .. Number\_Read **loop**

*-- set declared "Counter" to loop counter*

Foo.Counter := Float (Counter);

...

**end loop;**

...

**end** Foo;

# Iterations Exit Statements

- Early loop exit

- Syntax

```
exit [<loop_name>] [when <condition>]
```

- No name: Loop exited **entirely**

- Not only current iteration

```
for K in 1 .. 1000 loop  
    exit when K > F(K);  
end loop;
```

- With name: Specified loop exited

```
for J in 1 .. 1000 loop  
    Inner: for K in 1 .. 1000 loop  
        exit Inner when K > F(K);  
    end loop;  
end loop;
```

## For-Loop with Exit Statement Example

```
-- find position of Key within Table
Found := False;
-- iterate over Table
Search : for Index in Table'Range loop
    if Table(Index) = Key then
        Found := True;
        Position := Index;
        exit Search;
    elsif Table(Index) > Key then
        -- no point in continuing
        exit Search;
    end if;
end loop Search;
```

# Quiz

A, B : Integer := 123;

Which loop block is illegal?

**A** for A in 1 .. 10 loop  
    A := A + 1;  
end loop;

**B** for B in 1 .. 10 loop  
    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (B));  
end loop;

**C** for C in reverse 1 .. 10 loop  
    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (A));  
end loop;

**D** for D in 10 .. 1 loop  
    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (D));  
end loop;



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    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (B));  
end loop;

**C** for C in reverse 1 .. 10 loop  
    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (A));  
end loop;

**D** for D in 10 .. 1 loop  
    Put\_Line (Integer'Image (D));  
end loop;

Explanations

- A** Cannot assign to a loop parameter
- B** Legal - 10 iterations
- C** Legal - 10 iterations
- D** Legal - 0 iterations

## GOTO Statements

# GOTO Statements

## ■ Syntax

```
goto_statement ::= goto label;  
label ::= << identifier >>
```

## ■ Rationale

- Historic usage
- Arguably cleaner for some situations

## ■ Restrictions

- Based on common sense
- Example: cannot jump into a **case** statement

# GOTO Use

- Mostly discouraged
- May simplify control flow
- For example in-loop **continue** construct

```
loop
  -- lots of code
  ...
  goto continue;
  -- lots more code
  ...
  <<continue>>
end loop;
```

- As always maintainability beats hard set rules

## Lab

# Statements Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a simple algorithm to count number of hours worked in a week
  - Use **Ada.Text\_IO.Get\_Line** to ask user for hours worked on each day
  - Any hours over 8 gets counted as 1.5 times number of hours (e.g. 10 hours worked will get counted as 11 hours towards total)
  - Saturday hours get counted at 1.5 times number of hours
  - Sunday hours get counted at 2 times number of hours
- Print total number of hours "worked"

## ■ Hints

- Use **for** loop to iterate over days of week
- Use **if** statement to determine overtime hours
- Use **case** statement to determine weekend bonus

# Statements Lab Extra Credit

- Use an inner loop when getting hours worked to check validity
  - Less than 0 should exit outer loop
  - More than 24 should not be allowed

# Statements Lab Solution

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Main is
  type Days_Of_Week_T is
    (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday);
  type Hours_Worked is digits 6;

  Total_Worked : Hours_Worked := 0.0;
  Hours_Today  : Hours_Worked;
  Overtime     : Hours_Worked;
begin
  Day_Loop :
  for Day in Days_Of_Week_T loop
    Put_Line (Day'Image);
    Input_Loop :
    loop
      Hours_Today := Hours_Worked'Value (Get_Line);
      exit Day_Loop when Hours_Today < 0.0;
      if Hours_Today > 24.0 then
        Put_Line ("I don't believe you");
      else
        exit Input_Loop;
      end if;
    end loop Input_Loop;
    if Hours_Today > 8.0 then
      Overtime := Hours_Today - 8.0;
      Hours_Today := Hours_Today + 0.5 * Overtime;
    end if;
    case Day is
      when Monday .. Friday => Total_Worked := Total_Worked + Hours_Today;
      when Saturday      => Total_Worked := Total_Worked + Hours_Today * 1.5;
      when Sunday        => Total_Worked := Total_Worked + Hours_Today * 2.0;
    end case;
  end loop Day_Loop;

  Put_Line (Total_Worked'Image);
end Main;
```



## Summary

# Summary

- Assignments must satisfy any constraints of LHS
  - Invalid assignments don't alter target
- Intent to do nothing must be explicitly specified
- Case statements alternatives don't fall through
- Any kind of loop can be expressed with building blocks

## Array Types

## Introduction

# Introduction

- Traditional array concept supported to any dimension

```
declare
```

```
  type Hours is digits 6;
```

```
  type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
```

```
  type Schedule is array (Days) of Hours;
```

```
  Workdays : Schedule;
```

```
begin
```

```
  ...
```

```
  Workdays (Mon) := 8.5;
```

# Terminology

- *Index type*
  - Specifies the values to be used to access the array components
- *Component type*
  - Specifies the type of values contained by objects of the array type
  - All components are of this same type

```
type Array_T is array (Index_T) of Component_T;
```

# Array Type Index Constraints

- Must be of an integer or enumeration type
- May be dynamic
- Default to predefined **Integer**
  - Same rules as for-loop parameter default type
- Allowed to be null range
  - Defines an empty array
  - Meaningful when bounds are computed at run-time
- Can be applied on **type** or **subtype**

```
type Schedule is array (Days range Mon .. Fri) of Float;  
type Flags_T is array ( -10 .. 10 ) of Boolean;  
-- this may or may not be null range  
type Dynamic is array (1 .. N) of Integer;  
  
subtype Line is String (1 .. 80);  
subtype Translation is Matrix (1..3, 1..3);
```

## Run-Time Index Checking

- Array indices are checked at run-time as needed
- Invalid index values result in `Constraint_Error`

```
procedure Test is
  type List is array (1..10) of Integer;
  A : List;
  K : Integer;
begin
  A := (others => 0);
  K := FOO;
  A (K) := 42; -- runtime error if Foo returns < 1 or > 10
  Put_Line (A(K)'Image);
end Test;
```



# Kinds of Array Types

- **Constrained** Array Types
  - Bounds specified by type declaration
  - **All** objects of the type have the same bounds
- **Unconstrained** Array Types
  - Bounds not constrained by type declaration
  - Objects share the type, but not the bounds
  - More flexible

```
type Unconstrained is array (Positive range <>)
  of Integer;
```

```
U1 : Unconstrained (1 .. 10);
```

```
S1 : String (1 .. 50);
```

```
S2 : String (35 .. 95);
```

## Constrained Array Types

# Constrained Array Type Declarations

## ■ Syntax

```
constrained_array_definition ::=  
    array index_constraint of subtype_indication  
index_constraint ::= ( discrete_subtype_definition  
    {, discrete_subtype_indication} )  
discrete_subtype_definition ::=  
    discrete_subtype_indication | range  
subtype_indication ::= subtype_mark [constraint]  
range ::= range_attribute_reference |  
    simple_expression .. simple_expression
```

## ■ Examples

```
type Full_Week_T is array (Days) of Float;  
type Work_Week_T is array (Days range Mon .. Fri) of Float;  
type Weekdays is array (Mon .. Fri) of Float;  
type Workdays is array (Weekdays'Range) of Float;
```

## Multiple-Dimensioned Array Types

- Declared with more than one index definition
  - Constrained array types
  - Unconstrained array types
- Components accessed by giving value for each index

```
type Three_Dimensioned is
  array (
    Boolean,
    12 .. 50,
    Character range 'a' .. 'z')
  of Integer;
TD : Three_Dimensioned;
...
begin
  TD (True, 42, 'b') := 42;
  TD (Flag, Count, Char) := 42;
```

# Tic-Tac-Toe Winners Example

```

-- 9 positions on a board
type Move_Number is range 1 .. 9;
-- 8 ways to win
type Winning_Combinations is
  range 1 .. 8;
-- need 3 positions to win
type Required_Positions is
  range 1 .. 3;
Winning : constant array (
  Winning_Combinations,
  Required_Positions)
of Move_Number := (1 => (1,2,3),
                   2 => (1,4,7),
                   ...

```

1	X	2	X	3	X
4		5		6	
7		8		9	
1	X	2		3	
4	X	5		6	
7	X	8		9	
1	X	2		3	
4		5	X	6	
7		8		9	X

# Quiz

```
type Array1_T is array ( 1 .. 8 ) of Boolean;  
type Array2_T is array ( 0 .. 7 ) of Boolean;  
X1, Y1 : Array1_T;  
X2, Y2 : Array2_T;
```

Which statement is not legal?

- A. X1(1) := Y1(1);
- B. X1 := Y1;
- C. X1(1) := X2(1);
- D. X2 := X1;

# Quiz

```
type Array1_T is array ( 1 .. 8 ) of Boolean;  
type Array2_T is array ( 0 .. 7 ) of Boolean;  
X1, Y1 : Array1_T;  
X2, Y2 : Array2_T;
```

Which statement is not legal?

- A. X1(1) := Y1(1);
- B. X1 := Y1;
- C. X1(1) := X2(1);
- D. X2 := X1;

Explanations

- A. Legal - elements are Boolean
- B. Legal - object types match
- C. Legal - elements are Boolean
- D. Although the sizes are the same and the elements are the same, the type is different

## Unconstrained Array Types



# Unconstrained Array Type Declarations

- Do not specify bounds for objects
- Thus different objects of the same type may have different bounds
- Bounds cannot change once set
- Syntax (with simplifications)

```
unconstrained_array_definition ::=  
    array ( index_subtype_definition  
            {, index_subtype_definition} )  
            of subtype_indication  
index_subtype_definition ::= subtype_mark range <>
```

- Examples

```
type Index is range 1 .. Integer'Last;  
type CharList is array (Index range <>) of Character;
```

# Supplying Index Constraints for Objects

- Bounds set by:
  - Object declaration
  - Constant's value
  - Variable's initial value
  - Further type definitions (shown later)
  - Actual parameter to subprogram (shown later)
- Once set, bounds never change

```
type Schedule is array (Days range <>) of Float;  
Work : Schedule (Mon .. Fri);  
All_Days : Schedule (Days);
```

## Bounds Must Satisfy Type Constraints

- Must be somewhere in the range of possible values specified by the type declaration
- `Constraint_Error` otherwise

```
type Index is range 1 .. 100;  
type List is array (Index range <>) of Character;  
...  
Wrong : List (0 .. 10);  -- runtime error  
OK : List (50 .. 75);
```

# "String" Types

- Language-defined unconstrained array types
  - Allow double-quoted literals as well as aggregates
  - Always have a character component type
  - Always one-dimensional

- Language defines various types

- **String**, with **Character** as component

```
subtype Positive is Integer range 1 .. Integer'Last;  
type String is array (Positive range <>) of Character;
```

- **Wide\_String**, with **Wide\_Character** as component
  - **Wide\_Wide\_String**, with **Wide\_Wide\_Character** as component

- Can be defined by applications too

# Application-Defined String Types

- Like language-defined string types
  - Always have a character component type
  - Always one-dimensional
- Recall character types are enumeration types with at least one character literal value

```
type Roman_Digit is ('I', 'V', 'X', 'L', 'C', 'D', 'M');  
type Roman_Number is array (Positive range <>)  
  of Roman_Digit;  
Orwellian : constant Roman_Number := "MCMLXXXIV";
```

## Specifying Constraints via Initial Value

- Lower bound is `Index_subtype'First`
- Upper bound is taken from number of items in value

```
subtype Positive is Integer range 1 .. Integer'Last;  
type String is array (Positive range <>)  
  of Character;
```

```
...
```

```
M : String := "Hello World!";  
-- M'first is positive'first (1)
```

```
type Another_String is array (Integer range <>)  
  of Character;
```

```
...
```

```
M : Another_String := "Hello World!";  
-- M'first is integer'first
```

## Index Constraints for Subtypes

- Specify bounds for unconstrained array types

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Real;  
subtype Position_Vector is Vector (1..3);  
V : Position_Vector;
```

- Index constraints must not already be specified

```
type String is array (Positive range <>) of Character;  
subtype Full_Name is String (1 .. Max);  
subtype First_Name is  
    Full_Name (1 .. N); -- compile error
```

# No Unconstrained Component Types

- Arrays: consecutive elements of the exact **same type**
- Component size must be **defined**
  - No unconstrained types
  - Constrained subtypes allowed

```
type Good is array (1 .. 10) of String (1 .. 20); -- OK
type Bad is array (1 .. 10) of String; -- Illegal
```



# Arrays of Arrays

- Allowed (of course!)
  - As long as the "component" array type is constrained
- Indexed using multiple parenthesized values
  - One per array

**declare**

```
type Array_of_10 is array (1..10) of Integer;  
type Array_of_Array is array (Boolean) of Array_of_10;  
A : Array_of_Array;
```

**begin**

```
...  
A (True)(3) := 42;
```

# Quiz

```
type Array_T is array (Integer range <>) of Integer;  
subtype Array1_T is Array_T (1 .. 4);  
subtype Array2_T is Array_T (0 .. 3);  
X : Array_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);  
Y : Array1_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);  
Z : Array2_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);
```

Which statement is illegal?

- A. X (1) := Y (1);
- B. Y (1) := Z (1);
- C. Y := X;
- D. Z := X;

# Quiz

```
type Array_T is array (Integer range <>) of Integer;  
subtype Array1_T is Array_T (1 .. 4);  
subtype Array2_T is Array_T (0 .. 3);  
X : Array_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);  
Y : Array1_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);  
Z : Array2_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);
```

Which statement is illegal?

- A. `X (1) := Y (1);`
- B. `Y (1) := Z (1);`
- C. `Y := X;`
- D. `Z := X;`

Explanations

- A. Array\_T starts at Integer'First not 1
- B. OK, both in range
- C. OK, same type and size
- D. OK, same type and size

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Boolean range <>) of Boolean;
```

```
Object : My_Array (False .. False) := (others => True);
```

What is the value of Object (True)?

- ☐ A. False
- ☐ B. True
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Boolean range <>) of Boolean;
```

```
Object : My_Array (False .. False) := (others => True);
```

What is the value of Object (True)?

- ☐ A. False
- ☐ B. True
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☒ D. **None: Runtime error**

True is not a valid index for Object.

NB: GNAT will emit a warning by default.

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean;
```

```
Object : My_Array (0 .. -1) := (others => True);
```

What is the value of Object'Length?

- A. 1
- B. 0
- C. None: Compilation error
- D. None: Runtime error

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean;
```

```
Object : My_Array (0 .. -1) := (others => True);
```

What is the value of Object'Length?

- A. 1
- B. 0
- C. None: Compilation error
- D. None: Runtime error

Valid index for empty array, and **others** initialization allowed for empty range.

# Quiz

```
type I_0 is range 0 .. 0;
```

```
type My_Array is array (I_0 range <>) of Boolean;
```

How to declare an **empty** object of type My\_Array ?

- ☒ A. `O : My_Array (null);`
- ☒ B. `O : My_Array (I_0'First .. I_0'First);`
- ☒ C. `O : My_Array (I_0'First + 1 .. I_0'First);`
- ☒ D. `O : My_Array (I_0'Last .. I_0'First);`



# Quiz

```
type I_0 is range 0 .. 0;
```

```
type My_Array is array (I_0 range <>) of Boolean;
```

How to declare an **empty** object of type My\_Array ?

- ☐ A. `0 : My_Array (null);`
- ☐ B. `0 : My_Array (I_0'First .. I_0'First);`
- ☒ C. `0 : My_Array (I_0'First + 1 .. I_0'First);`
- ☐ D. `0 : My_Array (I_0'Last .. I_0'First);`

For initializing empty arrays, index values out of the range are allowed.

NB: for enumerated index type, this may be impossible.

## Attributes

# Array Attributes

- Return info about array index bounds
  - `O'Length` number of array components
  - `O'First` value of lower index bound
  - `O'Last` value of upper index bound
  - `O'Range` another way of saying `T'First .. T'Last`
- Meaningfully applied to constrained array types
  - Only constrained array types provide index bounds
  - Returns index info specified by the type (hence all such objects)
- Meaningfully applied to array objects
  - Returns index info for the object
  - Especially useful for objects of unconstrained array types

# Attributes' Benefits

- Allow code to be more robust
  - Relationships are explicit
  - Changes are localized
- Optimizer can identify redundant checks

```
declare
```

```
  type List is array (5 .. 15) of Integer;
```

```
  L : List;
```

```
  List_Index : Integer range List'Range := List'First;
```

```
  Count : Integer range 0 .. List'Length := 0;
```

```
begin
```

```
  ...
```

```
  for K in L'Range loop
```

```
    L (K) := K * 2;
```

```
  end loop;
```

## Nth Dimension Array Attributes

- Attribute with **parameter**

T'Length (n)

T'First (n)

T'Last (n)

T'Range (n)

- n is the dimension

- defaults to 1

```
type Two_Dimensioned is array
```

```
  (1 .. 10, 12 .. 50) of T;
```

```
TD : Two_Dimensioned;
```

- TD'First (2) = 12

- TD'Last (2) = 50

- TD'Length (2) = 39

- TD'First = TD'First (1) = 1

# Quiz

```
subtype Index1_T is Integer range 0 .. 7;  
subtype Index2_T is Integer range 1 .. 8;  
type Array_T is array (Index1_T, Index2_T) of Integer;  
X : Array_T;
```

Which comparison is False?

- ☐ A.  $X'Last(2) = Index2\_T'Last$
- ☐ B.  $X'Last(1) * X'Last(2) = X'Length(1) * X'Length(2)$
- ☐ C.  $X'Length(1) = X'Length(2)$
- ☐ D.  $X'Last(1) = 7$

# Quiz

```
subtype Index1_T is Integer range 0 .. 7;  
subtype Index2_T is Integer range 1 .. 8;  
type Array_T is array (Index1_T, Index2_T) of Integer;  
X : Array_T;
```

Which comparison is False?

- A.  $X'Last(2) = Index2\_T'Last$
- B.  $X'Last(1)*X'Last(2) = X'Length(1)*X'Length(2)$
- C.  $X'Length(1) = X'Length(2)$
- D.  $X'Last(1) = 7$

Explanations

- A.  $8 = 8$
- B.  $7*8 \neq 8*8$
- C.  $8 = 8$
- D.  $7 = 7$

## Operations



# Object-Level Operations

- Assignment of array objects

```
A := B;
```

- Equality and inequality

```
if A = B then
```

- Conversions

```
C := Foo ( B );
```

- Component types must be the same type
- Index types must be the same or convertible
- Dimensionality must be the same
- Bounds must be compatible (not necessarily equal)

## Extra Object-Level Operations

- *Only for 1-dimensional arrays!*
- Concatenation

```
type String_Type is array
  (Integer range <>) of Character;
A : constant String_Type := "foo";
B : constant String_Type := "bar";
C : constant String_Type := A & B;
-- C now contains "foobar"
```

- Relational (for discrete component types)
- Logical (for Boolean component type)
- Slicing
  - Portion of array

# Slicing

- Contiguous subsection of an array
- On any **one-dimensional** array type
  - Any component type

```
procedure Test is
```

```
  S1 : String (1 .. 9) := "Hi Adam!!";
```

```
  S2 : String := "We love    !";
```

```
begin
```

```
  S2 (9..11) := S1 (4..6);
```

```
  Put_Line (S2);
```

```
end Test;
```

Result: We love Ada!

## Slicing With Explicit Indexes

- Imagine a requirement to have a name with two parts: first and last

**declare**

```
Full_Name : String (1 .. 20);
```

**begin**

```
Put_Line (Full_Name);
```

```
Put_Line (Full_Name (1..10));  -- first half of name
```

```
Put_Line (Full_Name (11..20)); -- second half of name
```

## Slicing With Named Subtypes for Indexes

- Subtype name indicates the slice index range
  - Names for constraints, in this case index constraints
- Enhances readability and robustness

```
procedure Test is
  subtype First_Name is Positive range 1 .. 10;
  subtype Last_Name is Positive range 11 .. 20;
  Full_Name : String(First_Name'First..Last_Name'Last);
begin
  Put_Line(Full_Name(First_Name)); -- Full_Name(1..10)
  if Full_Name (Last_Name) = SomeString then ...
```

## Dynamic Subtype Constraint Example

- Useful when constraints not known at compile-time
- Example: remove file name extension

```
File_Name  
  (File_Name'First  
  ..  
  Index (File_Name, '.', Direction => Backward));
```

# Quiz

```
type Index_T is range 1 .. 10;  
type OneD_T is array (Index_T) of Boolean;  
type ThreeD_T is array (Index_T, Index_T, Index_T) of OneD_T;  
A : ThreeD_T;  
B : OneD_T;
```

Which statement is illegal?

- ☐ A. B(1) := A(1,2,3)(1) or A(4,3,2)(1);
- ☐ B. B := A(2,3,4) and A(4,3,2);
- ☐ C. A(1,2,3..4) := A(2,3,4..5);
- ☐ D. B(3..4) := B(4..5);

# Quiz

```
type Index_T is range 1 .. 10;  
type OneD_T is array (Index_T) of Boolean;  
type ThreeD_T is array (Index_T, Index_T, Index_T) of OneD_T;  
A : ThreeD_T;  
B : OneD_T;
```

Which statement is illegal?

- ☐ A. `B(1) := A(1,2,3)(1) or A(4,3,2)(1);`
- ☐ B. `B := A(2,3,4) and A(4,3,2);`
- ☒ C. `A(1,2,3..4) := A(2,3,4..5);`
- ☐ D. `B(3..4) := B(4..5);`

Explanations

- ☐ A. All three objects are just boolean values
- ☐ B. An element of A is the same type as B
- ☒ C. No slicing of multi-dimensional arrays
- ☐ D. Slicing allowed on single-dimension arrays



## Operations Added for Ada2012

# Default Initialization for Array Types

Ada 2012

- Supports constrained and unconstrained array types
- Supports arrays of any dimensionality
  - No matter how many dimensions, there is only one component type
- Uses aspect **Default\_Component\_Value**

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Float  
  with Default_Component_Value => 0.0;
```

# Two High-Level For-Loop Kinds

Ada 2012

- For arrays and containers
  - Arrays of any type and form
  - Iterable containers
    - Those that define iteration (most do)
    - Not all containers are iterable (e.g., priority queues)!
- For iterator objects
  - Known as "generalized iterators"
  - Language-defined, e.g., most container data structures
- User-defined iterators too
- We focus on the arrays/containers form for now

# Array/Container For-Loops

Ada 2012

- Work in terms of elements within an object
- Syntax hides indexing/iterator controls

```
for name of [reverse] array_or_container_object loop  
  ...  
end loop;
```

- Starts with "first" element unless you reverse it
- Loop parameter name is a constant if iterating over a constant, a variable otherwise

# Array Component For-Loop Example

Ada 2012

- Given an array

```
Primes : constant array (1 .. 5) of Integer :=  
    (2, 3, 5, 7, 11);
```

- Component-based looping would look like

```
for P of Primes loop  
    Put_Line (Integer'Image (P));  
end loop;
```

- While index-based looping would look like

```
for P in Primes'range loop  
    Put_Line (Integer'Image (Primes(P)));  
end loop;
```

# For-Loops with Multidimensional Arrays

Ada 2012

- Same syntax, regardless of number of dimensions
- As if a set of nested loops, one per dimension
  - Last dimension is in innermost loop, so changes fastest
- In low-level format looks like

```
for each row loop
  for each column loop
    print Identity (
      row, column)
  end loop
end loop
```

```
declare
  subtype Rows is Positive;
  subtype Columns is Positive;
  type Matrix is array
    (Rows range <>,
     Columns range <>) of Float;
  Identity : constant Matrix
    (1..3, 1..3) :=
    ((1.0, 0.0, 0.0),
     (0.0, 1.0, 0.0),
     (0.0, 0.0, 1.0));
begin
  for C of Identity loop
    Put_Line (Float'Image(C));
  end loop;
```

# Quiz

```
declare
  type Array_T is array (1..3, 1..3) of Integer
    with Default_Component_Value => 1;
  A : Array_T;
begin
  for I in Index_T range 2 .. 3 loop
    for J in Index_T range 2 .. 3 loop
      A (I, J) := I * 10 + J;
    end loop;
  end loop;
  for I of reverse A loop
    Put (I'Image);
  end loop;
end;
```

Which output is correct?

- ☐ A 1 1 1 1 22 23 1 32 33
- ☐ B 33 32 1 23 22 1 1 1 1
- ☐ C 0 0 0 0 22 23 0 32 33
- ☐ D 33 32 0 23 22 0 0 0 0

NB: Without Default\_Component\_Value, init. values are random

# Quiz

```
declare
  type Array_T is array (1..3, 1..3) of Integer
    with Default_Component_Value => 1;
  A : Array_T;
begin
  for I in Index_T range 2 .. 3 loop
    for J in Index_T range 2 .. 3 loop
      A (I, J) := I * 10 + J;
    end loop;
  end loop;
  for I of reverse A loop
    Put (I'Image);
  end loop;
end;
```

Which output is correct?

- ☐ A 1 1 1 1 22 23 1 32 33
- ☒ B 33 32 1 23 22 1 1 1 1
- ☐ C 0 0 0 0 22 23 0 32 33
- ☐ D 33 32 0 23 22 0 0 0 0

Explanations

- ☐ A There is a **reverse**
- ☐ B Yes
- ☐ C Default value is 1
- ☐ D No

NB: Without Default\_Component\_Value, init. values are random



## Aggregates

# Aggregates

- Literals for composite types

- Array types
- Record types

- Two distinct forms

- Positional
- Named

- Syntax (simplified):

```
component_expr ::=  
  expression -- Defined value  
  | <>       -- Default value
```

```
array_aggregate ::= (  
  {component_expr ,}                               -- Positional  
  | {discrete_choice_list => component_expr,}) -- Named  
  -- Default "others" indices  
  [others => expression]
```

## Aggregate "Positional" Form

- Specifies array component values explicitly
- Uses implicit ascending index values

```
type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);  
type Working is array (Days) of Boolean;  
Week : Working;  
...  
-- Saturday and Sunday are False, everything else True  
Week := (True, True, True, True, True, False, False);
```

## Aggregate "Named" Form

- Explicitly specifies both index and corresponding component values
- Allows any order to be specified
- Ranges and choice lists are allowed (like case choices)

```
type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
```

```
type Working is array (Days) of Boolean;
```

```
Week : Working;
```

```
...
```

```
Week := (Sat => False, Sun => False, Mon..Fri => True);
```

```
Week := (Sat | Sun => False, Mon..Fri => True);
```

## Combined Aggregate Forms Not Allowed

- Some cases lead to ambiguity, therefore never allowed for array types
- Are only allowed for record types (shown in subsequent section)

```
type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
type Working is array (Days) of Boolean;
Week : Working;
...
Week := (True, True, True, True, True, False, False);
Week := (Sat => False, Sun => False, Mon..Fri => True);
Week := (True, True, True, True, True,
         Sat => False, Sun => False); -- invalid
Week := (Sat | Sun => False, Mon..Fri => True);
```

## Aggregates Are True Literal Values

- Used any place a value of the type may be used

```
type Schedule is array (Mon .. Fri) of Float;  
Work : Schedule;  
Normal : constant Schedule := (8.0, 8.0, 8.0, 8.0, 8.0);  
...  
Work := (8.5, 8.5, 8.5, 8.5, 6.0);  
...  
if Work = Normal then ...  
...  
if Work = (10.0, 10.0, 10.0, 10.0, 0.0) then -- 4-day week .
```

# Aggregate Consistency Rules

- Must always be complete
  - They are literals, after all
  - Each component must be given a value
  - But defaults are possible (more in a moment)
- Must provide only one value per index position
  - Duplicates are detected at compile-time
- Compiler rejects incomplete or inconsistent aggregates

```
Week := (Sat => False,  
         Sun => False,  
         Mon .. Fri => True,  
         Wed => False);
```

## "Others"

- Indicates all components not yet assigned a value
- All remaining components get this single value
- Similar to case statement's **others**
- Can be used to apply defaults too

```
type Schedule is array (Days) of Float;  
Work : Schedule;  
Normal : constant Schedule := (8.0, 8.0, 8.0, 8.0, 8.0,  
                                others => 0.0);
```



# Nested Aggregates

- For multiple dimensions
- For arrays of composite component types

```
type Matrix is array (Positive range <>,
                      Positive range <>) of Float;
Mat_4x2 : Matrix (1..4, 1..2) := (1 => (2.5, 3.0),
                                   2 => (1.5, 0.0),
                                   3 => (2.1, 0.0),
                                   4 => (9.0, 0.0) );
```

# Tic-Tac-Toe Winners Example

```
type Move_Number is range 1 .. 9;
-- 8 ways to win
type Winning_Combinations is range 1 .. 8;
-- need 3 places to win
type Required_Positions is range 1 .. 3;
Winning : constant array (Winning_Combinations,
                           Required_Positions) of
    Move_Number := ( -- rows
                      1 => (1, 2, 3),
                      2 => (4, 5, 6),
                      3 => (7, 8, 9),
                      -- columns
                      4 => (1, 4, 7),
                      5 => (2, 5, 8),
                      6 => (3, 6, 9),
                      -- diagonals
                      7 => (1, 5, 9),
                      8 => (3, 5, 7) );
```

# Defaults Within Array Aggregates

Ada 2005

- Specified via the box notation
- Value for component is thus taken as for stand-alone object declaration
  - So there may or may not be a defined default!
- Can only be used with "named association" form
  - But **others** counts as named form

- Syntax

```
discrete_choice_list => <>
```

- Example

```
type List is array (1 .. N) of Integer;  
Primes : List := (1 => 2, 2 .. N => <>);
```

# Named Format Aggregate Rules

- Bounds cannot overlap
  - Index values must be specified once and only once
- All bounds must be static
  - Avoids run-time cost to verify coverage of all index values
  - Except for single choice format

```
type List is array (Integer range <>) of Float;  
Ages : List (1 .. 10) := (1 .. 3 => X, 4 .. 10 => Y);  
-- illegal: 3 appears twice  
Overlap : List (1 .. 10) := (1 .. 4 => X, 3 .. 10 => Y);  
N, M, K, L : Integer;  
-- illegal: cannot determine if  
-- every index covered at compile time  
Not_Static : List (1 .. 10) := (M .. N => X, K .. L => Y);  
-- This is legal  
Values : List (1 .. N) := (1 .. N => X);
```

# Quiz

```
type Array_T is array (1 .. 5) of Integer;  
X : Array_T;  
J : Integer := X'First;
```

Which statement is correct?

- ☐ A. `X := (1, 2, 3, 4 => 4, 5 => 5);`
- ☐ B. `X := (1..3 => 100, 4..5 => -100, others => -1);`
- ☐ C. `X := (J => -1, J + 1..X'Last => 1);`
- ☐ D. `X := (1..3 => 100, 3..5 => 200);`

# Quiz

```
type Array_T is array (1 .. 5) of Integer;  
X : Array_T;  
J : Integer := X'First;
```

Which statement is correct?

- ☐ A. `X := (1, 2, 3, 4 => 4, 5 => 5);`
- ☒ B. `X := (1..3 => 100, 4..5 => -100, others => -1);`
- ☐ C. `X := (J => -1, J + 1..X'Last => 1);`
- ☐ D. `X := (1..3 => 100, 3..5 => 200);`

Explanations

- ☐ A. Cannot mix positional and named notation
- ☒ B. Correct - others not needed but is allowed
- ☐ C. Dynamic values must be the only choice. (This could be fixed by making J a constant.)
- ☐ D. Overlapping index values (3 appears more than once)

## Anonymous Array Types

# Anonymous Array Types

- Array objects need not be of a named type

A : **array** ( 1 .. 3 ) **of** B;

- Without a type name, no object-level operations
  - Cannot be checked for type compatibility
  - Operations on components are still ok if compatible

**declare**

*-- These are not same type!*

A, B : **array** (Foo) **of** Bar;

**begin**

A := B; *-- illegal*

B := A; *-- illegal*

*-- legal assignment of value*

A(J) := B(K);

**end;**



## Lab

# Array Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create an array type whose index is days of the week and each element is a number
- Create two objects of the array type, one of which is constant
- Perform the following operations
  - Copy the constant object to the non-constant object and
  - Print the contents of the non-constant object
  - Use an array aggregate to initialize the non-constant object
  - For each element of the array, print the array index and the value
  - Move part ("source") of the non-constant object to another part ("destination"), and then clear the source location
  - Print the contents of the non-constant object

## ■ Hints

- When you want to combine multiple strings (which are arrays!) use the concatenation operator (&)
- Slices are how you access part of an array
- Use aggregates (either named or positional) to initialize data

# Multiple Dimensions

## ■ Requirements

- For each day of the week, you need an array of three strings containing names of workers for that day
- Two sets of workers: weekend and weekday, but the store is closed on Wednesday (no workers)
- Initialize the array and then print it hierarchically

## Array Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Main is

  type Days_Of_Week_T is
    (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
  type Unconstrained_Array_T is
    array (Days_Of_Week_T range <>) of Natural;

  Const_Arr : constant Unconstrained_Array_T :=
    (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
  Array_Var : Unconstrained_Array_T (Days_Of_Week_T);

  type Name_T is array (1 .. 6) of Character;
  Weekly_Staff : array (Days_Of_Week_T, 1 .. 3) of Name_T;
```

# Array Lab Solution - Implementation

```
begin
  Array_Var := Const_Arr;
  for Item of Array_Var loop
    Put_Line (Item'Image);
  end loop;
  New_Line;

  Array_Var :=
    (Mon => 111, Tue => 222, Wed => 333, Thu => 444, Fri => 555, Sat => 666,
     Sun => 777);
  for Index in Array_Var'Range loop
    Put_Line (Index'Image & " => " & Array_Var (Index)'Image);
  end loop;
  New_Line;

  Array_Var (Mon .. Wed) := Const_Arr (Wed .. Fri);
  Array_Var (Wed .. Fri) := (others => Natural'First);
  for Item of Array_Var loop
    Put_Line (Item'Image);
  end loop;
  New_Line;

  Weekly_Staff := (Mon | Tue | Thu | Fri => ("Fred ", "Barney", "Wilma "),
                  Wed   => ("closed", "closed", "closed"),
                  others => ("Pinky ", "Inky  ", "Blinky"));

  for Day in Weekly_Staff'Range (1) loop
    Put_Line (Day'Image);
    for Staff in Weekly_Staff'Range (2) loop
      Put_Line (" " & String (Weekly_Staff (Day, Staff)));
    end loop;
  end loop;
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Final Notes on Type **String**

- Any single-dimensioned array of some character type is a *string type*
  - Language defines types **String**, **Wide\_String**, etc.
- Just another array type: no null termination
- Language-defined support defined in Appendix A
  - **Ada.Strings.\***
  - Fixed-length, bounded-length, and unbounded-length
  - Searches for pattern strings and for characters in program-specified sets
  - Transformation (replacing, inserting, overwriting, and deleting of substrings)
  - Translation (via a character-to-character mapping)

# Summary

- Any dimensionality directly supported
- Component types can be any (constrained) type
- Index types can be any discrete type
  - Integer types
  - Enumeration types
- Constrained array types specify bounds for all objects
- Unconstrained array types leave bounds to the objects
  - Thus differently-sized objects of the same type
- Default initialization for large arrays may be expensive!
- Anonymously-typed array objects used in examples for brevity but that doesn't mean you should in real programs



## Record Types

## Introduction

# Syntax and Examples

## ■ Syntax (simplified)

```
type T is record
  Component_Name : Type [:= Default_Value];
  ...
end record;
```

```
type T_Empty is null record;
```

## ■ Example

```
type Record1_T is record
  Field1 : integer;
  Field2 : boolean;
end record;
```

## ■ Records can be **discriminated** as well

```
type T ( Size : Natural := 0 ) is record
  Text : String (1 .. Size);
end record;
```

## Components Rules

# Characteristics of Components

- **Heterogeneous** types allowed
- Referenced **by name**
- May be no components, for **empty records**
- **No** anonymous types (e.g., arrays) allowed
- **No** constant components
- **No** recursive definitions

# Components Declarations

- Multiple declarations are allowed (like objects)

```
type Several is record  
    A, B, C : Integer;  
end record;
```

- Recursive definitions are not allowed

```
type Not_Legal is record  
    A, B : Some_Type;  
    C : Not_Legal;  
end record;
```

## "Dot" Notation for Components Reference

```
type Months_T is (January, February, ..., December);
type Date is record
    Day : Integer range 1 .. 31;
    Month : Months_T;
    Year : Integer range 0 .. 2099;
end record;
Arrival : Date;
...
Arrival.Day := 27;  -- components referenced by name
Arrival.Month := November;
Arrival.Year := 1990;
```

- Can reference nested components

```
Employee
    .Birth_Date
        .Month := March;
```

# Quiz

```
type Record_T is record
    -- Definition here
end record;
```

Which record definition is legal?

- ☒ A. Component\_1 : array (1 .. 3) of Boolean
- ☒ B. Component\_2, Component\_3 : Integer
- ☒ C. Component\_1 : Record\_T
- ☒ D. Component\_1 : constant Integer := 123



# Quiz

```
type Record_T is record
    -- Definition here
end record;
```

Which record definition is legal?

- ☐ A. Component\_1 : array (1 .. 3) of Boolean
  - ☒ B. *Component\_2, Component\_3 : Integer*
  - ☐ C. Component\_1 : Record\_T
  - ☐ D. Component\_1 : constant Integer := 123
- 
- ☐ A. Anonymous types not allowed
  - ☒ B. Correct
  - ☐ C. No recursive definition
  - ☐ D. No constant component

# Quiz

```
type Cell is record  
  Val : Integer;  
  Message : String;  
end record;
```

Is the definition legal?

- ☐ A. Yes
- ☐ B. No

# Quiz

```
type Cell is record
  Val : Integer;
  Message : String;
end record;
```

Is the definition legal?

- A. Yes
- B. **No**

A **record** definition cannot have a component of an indefinite type. **String** is indefinite if you don't specify its size.

## Operations

# Available Operations

- Predefined

- Equality (and thus inequality)

- ```
if A = B then
```

- Assignment

- ```
A := B;
```

- Component-level operations

- Based on components' types

- ```
if A.component < B.component then
```

- User-defined

- Subprograms

# Assignment Examples

```
declare
  type Complex is record
    Real : Float;
    Imaginary : Float;
  end record;
  ...
  Phase1 : Complex;
  Phase2 : Complex;
begin
  ...
  -- object reference
  Phase1 := Phase2;  -- entire object reference
  -- component references
  Phase1.Real := 2.5;
  Phase1.Real := Phase2.Real;
end;
```

# Limited Types - Quick Intro

- A **record** type can be limited
  - And some other types, described later
- **limited** types cannot be **copied** or **compared**
  - As a result they cannot be assigned
  - May still be modified component-wise

```
type Lim is limited record  
  A, B : Integer;  
end record;
```

```
L1, L2 : Lim := (1, 2); -- Initial value OK
```

```
L1 := L2; -- Illegal  
if L1 /= L2 then -- Illegal  
[...]
```

## Aggregates



# Aggregates

- Literal values for composite types
  - As for arrays
  - Default value / selector: `<>`, **others**
- Can use both **named** and **positional**
  - Unambiguous
- Example:

```
(Pos_1_Value,  
Pos_2_Value,  
Component_3 => Pos_3_Value,  
Component_4 => <>, -- Default value (Ada 2005)  
others => Remaining_Value)
```

# Record Aggregate Examples

```
type Color_T is (Red);
type Car_T is record
    Color      : Color_T;
    Plate_No   : String (1 .. 6);
    Year       : Natural;
end record;
type Complex_T is record
    Real        : Float;
    Imaginary    : Float;
end record;

declare
    Car      : Car_T      := (Red, "ABC123", Year => 2_022);
    Phase    : Complex_T := (1.2, 3.4);
begin
    Phase := (Real => 5.6, Imaginary => 7.8);
end;
```

# Aggregate Completeness

- All component values must be accounted for
  - Including defaults via box
- Allows compiler to check for missed components
- Type definition

```
type Struct is record
```

```
  A : Integer;
```

```
  B : Integer;
```

```
  C : Integer;
```

```
  D : Integer;
```

```
end record;
```

```
S : Struct;
```

- Compiler will not catch the missing component

```
S.A := 10;
```

```
S.B := 20;
```

```
S.C := 12;
```

```
Send (S);
```

- Aggregate must be complete  
- compiler error

```
S := (10, 20, 12);
```

```
Send (S);
```

# Named Associations

- **Any** order of associations
- Provides more information to the reader
  - Can mix with positional
- Restriction
  - Must stick with named associations **once started**

```
type Complex is record
  Real : Float;
  Imaginary : Float;
end record;
Phase : Complex := (0.0, 0.0);
...
Phase := (10.0, Imaginary => 2.5);
Phase := (Imaginary => 12.5, Real => 0.212);
Phase := (Imaginary => 12.5, 0.212); -- illegal
```

## Nested Aggregates

```
type Months_T is ( January, February, ..., December);
type Date is record
    Day    : Integer range 1 .. 31;
    Month  : Months_T;
    Year   : Integer range 0 .. 2099;
end record;
type Person is record
    Born : Date;
    Hair : Color;
end record;
John : Person      := ( (21, November, 1990), Brown );
Julius : Person    := ( (2, August, 1995), Blond );
Heather : Person   := ( (2, March, 1989), Hair => Blond );
Megan : Person     := (Hair => Blond,
                        Born => (16, December, 2001));
```

## Aggregates with Only One Component

- **Must** use named form
- Same reason as array aggregates

```
type Singular is record  
  A : Integer;  
end record;
```

```
S : Singular := (3);           -- illegal  
S : Singular := (3 + 1);       -- illegal  
S : Singular := (A => 3 + 1);  -- required
```

## Aggregates with **others**

- Indicates all components not yet specified (like arrays)
- All **others** get the same value
  - They must be the **exact same** type

```
type Poly is record
  A : Real;
  B, C, D : Integer;
end record;
```

```
P : Poly := (2.5, 3, others => 0);
```

```
type Homogeneous is record
  A, B, C : Integer;
end record;
```

```
Q : Homogeneous := (others => 10);
```

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (A => 1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☐ C. Compilation error
- ☐ D. Runtime error



# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (A => 1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☒ C. **Compilation error**
- ☐ D. Runtime error

The aggregate is incomplete. The aggregate must specify all components, you could use box notation (A => 1, **others** => <>)

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
    D : My_Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (others => 1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☒ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☐ C. Compilation error
- ☐ D. Runtime error

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
    D : My_Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (others => 1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☒ C. *Compilation error*
- ☐ D. Runtime error

All components associated to a value using **others** must be of the same **type**.

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
    D : My_Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (others => <>);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☐ C. Compilation error
- ☐ D. Runtime error

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A, B, C : Integer := 0;
    D : My_Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (others => <>);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☒ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☐ C. Compilation error
- ☐ D. Runtime error

<> is an exception to the rule for **others**, it can apply to several components of a different type.

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A : Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☐ C. Compilation error
- ☐ D. Runtime error

# Quiz

What is the result of building and running this code?

```
procedure Main is
  type My_Integer is new Integer;
  type Record_T is record
    A : Integer := 0;
  end record;

  V : Record_T := (1);
begin
  Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
```

- ☐ A. 0
- ☐ B. 1
- ☒ C. *Compilation error*
- ☐ D. Runtime error

Single-valued aggregate must use named association.

# Quiz

```
type Nested_T is record
    Field : Integer := 1_234;
end record;
type Record_T is record
    One   : Integer := 1;
    Two   : Character;
    Three : Integer := -1;
    Four  : Nested_T;
end record;
X, Y : Record_T;
Z    : constant Nested_T := (others => -1);
```

Which assignment(s) is(are) illegal?

- ☐ A. X := (1, '2', Three => 3, Four => (6))
- ☐ B. X := (Two => '2', Four => Z, others => 5)
- ☐ C. X := Y
- ☐ D. X := (1, '2', 4, (others => 5))



# Quiz

```
type Nested_T is record
    Field : Integer := 1_234;
end record;
type Record_T is record
    One   : Integer := 1;
    Two   : Character;
    Three : Integer := -1;
    Four  : Nested_T;
end record;
X, Y : Record_T;
Z    : constant Nested_T := (others => -1);
```

Which assignment(s) is(are) illegal?

- A. `X := (1, '2', Three => 3, Four => (6))`
- B. `X := (Two => '2', Four => Z, others => 5)`
- C. `X := Y`
- D. `X := (1, '2', 4, (others => 5))`

- A. Four **must** use named association
- B. **others** valid: One and Three are **Integer**
- C. Valid but Two is not initialized
- D. Positional for all components

## Default Values

## Component Default Values

```
type Complex is
  record
    Real : Real := 0.0;
    Imaginary : Real := 0.0;
  end record;
-- all components use defaults
Phasor : Complex;
-- all components must be specified
I : constant Complex := (0.0, 1.0);
```

# Default Component Value Evaluation

- Occurs when object is elaborated
  - Not when the type is elaborated
- Not evaluated if explicitly overridden

```
type Structure is
  record
    A : Integer;
    R : Time := Clock;
  end record;
-- Clock is called for S1
S1 : Structure;
-- Clock is not called for S2
S2 : Structure := (A => 0, R => Yesterday);
```

# Defaults Within Record Aggregates

Ada 2005

- Specified via the `box` notation
- Value for the component is thus taken as for a stand-alone object declaration
  - So there may or may not be a defined default!
- Can only be used with "named association" form
  - But can mix forms, unlike array aggregates

```
type Complex is
  record
    Real : Float := 0.0;
    Imaginary : Float := 0.0;
  end record;
Phase := (42.0, Imaginary => <>);
```

# Default Initialization Via Aspect Clause

Ada 2012

- Not definable for entire record type
- Components of scalar types take type's default if no explicit default value specified by record type

```
type Toggle_Switch is (Off, On)
  with Default_Value => Off;
type Controller is record
  -- Off unless specified during object initialization
  Override : Toggle_Switch;
  -- default for this component
  Enable : Toggle_Switch := On;
end record;
C : Controller; -- Override => off, Enable => On
D : Controller := (On, Off); -- All defaults replaced
```

# Quiz

Ada 2012

```
function Next return Natural; -- returns next number starting with 1
```

```
type Record_T is record
```

```
    A, B : Integer := Next;
```

```
    C    : Integer := Next;
```

```
end record;
```

```
R : Record_T := (C => 100, others => <>);
```

What is the value of R?

- ☐ A. (1, 2, 3)
- ☐ B. (1, 1, 100)
- ☐ C. (1, 2, 100)
- ☐ D. (100, 101, 102)

# Quiz

Ada 2012

```
function Next return Natural; -- returns next number starting with 1
```

```
type Record_T is record
    A, B : Integer := Next;
    C    : Integer := Next;
end record;
R : Record_T := (C => 100, others => <>);
```

What is the value of R?

- ☐ A. (1, 2, 3)
- ☐ B. (1, 1, 100)
- ☒ C. (1, 2, 100)
- ☐ D. (100, 101, 102)

Explanations

- ☒ A. C => 100
- ☐ B. Multiple declaration calls Next twice
- ☐ C. Correct
- ☐ D. C => 100 has no effect on A and B



## Discriminated Records

# Discriminated Record Types

- *Discriminated record* type
  - Different **objects** may have **different** components
  - All object **still** share the same type
- Kind of *storage overlay*
  - Similar to **union** in C
  - But preserves **type checking**
  - And object size **is related to** discriminant
- Aggregate assignment is allowed

# Discriminants

```
type Person_Group is (Student, Faculty);
type Person (Group : Person_Group) is record
  Name : String (1 .. 10);
  case Group is
    when Student => -- 1st variant
      Gpa : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
    when Faculty => -- 2nd variant
      Pubs : Integer;
  end case;
end record;
```

- Group is the *discriminant*
- Run-time check for component **consistency**
  - A\_Person.Pubs := 1; checks if A\_Person.Group = Faculty
  - Constraint\_Error if check fails
- Discriminant is **constant**
  - Unless object is **mutable**

# Semantics

- Person objects are **constrained** by their discriminant
  - **Unless** mutable
  - Assignment from same variant **only**
  - **Representation** requirements

```
Pat  : Person(Student); -- No Pat.Pubs
```

```
Prof : Person(Faculty); -- No Prof.GPA
```

```
Soph : Person := ( Group => Student,  
                  Name => "John Jones",  
                  GPA  => 3.2);
```

```
X : Person; -- Illegal: must specify discriminant
```

```
Pat  := Soph; -- OK
```

```
Soph := Prof; -- Constraint_Error at run time
```

# Mutable Discriminated Record

- When discriminant has a **default value**
  - Objects instantiated **using the default** are **mutable**
  - Objects specifying an **explicit** value are **not** mutable
- Mutable records have **variable** discriminants
- Use **same** storage for **several** variant

*-- Potentially mutable*

```
type Person (Group : Person_Group := Student) is record
```

*-- Use default value: mutable*

```
S : Person;
```

*-- Explicit value: \*not\* mutable*

*-- even if Student is also the default*

```
S2 : Person (Group => Student);
```

*...*

```
S := (Group => Student, Gpa => 0.0);
```

```
S := (Group => Faculty, Pubs => 10);
```

# Quiz

```
type T (Sign : Integer) is record
  case Sign is
    when Integer'First .. -1 =>
      I : Integer;
      B : Boolean;
    when others =>
      N : Natural;
  end case;
end record;
```

O : T (1);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.I, O.B
- ☐ B. O.N
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

# Quiz

```
type T (Sign : Integer) is record
  case Sign is
    when Integer'First .. -1 =>
      I : Integer;
      B : Boolean;
    when others =>
      N : Natural;
  end case;
end record;
```

O : T (1);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.I, O.B
- ☒ B. O.N
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

# Quiz

```
type T (Floating : Integer) is record
  case Floating is
    when 0 =>
      I : Integer;
    when 1 =>
      F : Float;
  end case;
end record;
```

O : T (1);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.F, O.I
- ☐ B. O.F
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error



# Quiz

```
type T (Floating : Integer) is record
  case Floating is
    when 0 =>
      I : Integer;
    when 1 =>
      F : Float;
  end case;
end record;
```

O : T (1);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.F, O.I
- ☐ B. O.F
- ☒ C. **None: Compilation error**
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

The variant **case** must cover all the possible values of **Integer**.

# Quiz

```
type T (Floating : Boolean) is record
  case Floating is
    when False =>
      I : Integer;
    when True =>
      F : Float;
  end case;
  I2 : Integer;
end record;
```

O : T (True);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.F, O.I2
- ☐ B. O.F
- ☐ C. None: Compilation error
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

# Quiz

```
type T (Floating : Boolean) is record
  case Floating is
    when False =>
      I : Integer;
    when True =>
      F : Float;
  end case;
  I2 : Integer;
end record;
```

O : T (True);

Which component does O contain?

- ☐ A. O.F, O.I2
- ☐ B. O.F
- ☒ C. **None: Compilation error**
- ☐ D. None: Runtime error

The variant part cannot be followed by a component declaration  
(I2 : integer there)

Lab

# Record Types Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a simple First-In/First-Out (FIFO) queue record type and object
- Allow the user to:
  - Add ("push") items to the queue
  - Remove ("pop") the next item to be serviced from the queue (Print this item to ensure the order is correct)
- When the user is done manipulating the queue, print out the remaining items in the queue

## ■ Hints

- Queue record should at least contain:
  - Array of items
  - Index into array where next item will be added

# Record Types Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Main is

    type Name_T is array (1 .. 6) of Character;
    type Index_T is range 0 .. 1_000;
    type Queue_T is array (Index_T range 1 .. 1_000) of Name_T;

    type Fifo_Queue_T is record
        Next_Available : Index_T := 1;
        Last_Served    : Index_T := 0;
        Queue           : Queue_T := (others => (others => ' '));
    end record;

    Queue : Fifo_Queue_T;
    Choice : Integer;
```

# Record Types Lab Solution - Implementation

```
begin

  loop
    Put ("1 = add to queue | 2 = remove from queue | others => done: ");
    Choice := Integer'Value (Get_Line);
    if Choice = 1 then
      Put ("Enter name: ");
      Queue.Queue (Queue.Next_Available) := Name_T (Get_Line);
      Queue.Next_Available                := Queue.Next_Available + 1;
    elsif Choice = 2 then
      if Queue.Next_Available = 1 then
        Put_Line ("Nobody in line");
      else
        Queue.Last_Served := Queue.Last_Served + 1;
        Put_Line ("Now serving: " & String (Queue.Queue (Queue.Last_Served)));
      end if;
    else
      exit;
    end if;
    New_Line;
  end loop;

  Put_Line ("Remaining in line: ");
  for Index in Queue.Last_Served + 1 .. Queue.Next_Available - 1 loop
    Put_Line (" " & String (Queue.Queue (Index)));
  end loop;

end Main;
```

## Summary



# Summary

- Heterogeneous types allowed for components
- Default initial values allowed for components
  - Evaluated when each object elaborated, not the type
  - Not evaluated if explicit initial value specified
- Aggregates express literals for composite types
  - Can mix named and positional forms

## Discriminated Record Types

# Introduction

# Discriminated Record Types

- *Discriminated record* type
  - Different **objects** may have **different** components
  - All object **still** share the same type
- Kind of *storage overlay*
  - Similar to **union** in C
  - But preserves **type checking**
  - And object size **is related to** discriminant
- Aggregate assignment is allowed

## Example Discriminated Record Description

- Record / structure type for a person
  - Person is either a student or a faculty member (discriminant)
  - Person has a name (string)
  - Each student has a GPA (floating point) and a graduation year (non-negative integer)
  - Each faculty has a count of publications (non-negative integer)

## Example Defined in C

```
enum person_group {Student, Faculty};

struct Person {
    enum person_group group;
    char name [10];
    union {
        struct { float gpa; int year; } s;
        int pubs;
    };
};
```

- Issue: maintaining consistency between group and union components is responsibility of the programmer
  - Source of potential vulnerabilities

## Example Defined in Ada

```
type Person_Group is (Student, Faculty);
type Person (Group : Person_Group) is -- Group is the discriminant
  record
    Name : String(1..10); -- Always present
    case Group is
      when Student => -- 1st variant
        GPA  : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
        Year : Integer range 1..4;
      when Faculty => -- 2nd variant
        Pubs : Integer;
    end case;
  end record;
```

- Group value enforces component availability
  - Can only access GPA and Year when Group is Student
  - Can only access Pubs when Group is Faculty

# Variant Part of Record

- Variant part of record specifies alternate list of components

```
type Variant_Record_T (Discriminant : Integer) is record
  Common_Component : String (1 .. 10);
  case Discriminant is
    when Integer'First .. -1 =>
      Negative_Component : Float;
    when 1 .. Integer'Last =>
      Positive_Component : Integer;
    when others =>
      Zero_Component : Boolean;
  end case;
end record;
```

- Choice is determined by discriminant value
- Record can only contain one variant part
  - Variant must be last part of record definition



## Discriminated Record Semantics

# Discriminant in Ada Discriminated Records

- Variant record type contains a special *discriminant* component
  - Value indicates which *variant* is present
- When a component in a variant is selected, run-time check ensures that discriminant value is consistent with the selection
  - If you could store into Pubs but read GPA, type safety would not be guaranteed
- Ada prevents this type of access
  - Discriminant (Group) established when object of type Person created
  - Run-time check verifies that component selected from variant is consistent with discriminant value
    - Constraint\_Error raised if the check fails
- Can only read discriminant (as any other component), not write
  - Aggregate assignment is allowed

# Semantics

- Variable of type `Person` is constrained by value of discriminant supplied at object declaration
  - Determines minimal storage requirements
  - Limits object to corresponding variant

```
Pat  : Person(Student); -- May select Pat.GPA, not Pat.Pubs
Prof : Person(Faculty); -- May select Prof.Pubs, not Prof.GPA
Soph : Person := ( Group  => Student,
                  Name    => "John Jones",
                  GPA      => 3.2,
                  Year     => 2);

X    : Person; -- Illegal; discriminant must be initialized
```

- Assignment between `Person` objects requires same discriminant values for LHS and RHS

```
Pat  := Soph; -- OK
Soph := Prof; -- Constraint_Error at run time
```

# Implementation

- Typically type and operations would be treated as an ADT
  - Implemented in its own package

```
package Person_Pkg is
  type Person_Group is (Student, Faculty);
  type Person (Group : Person_Group) is
    record
      Name : String(1..10);
      case Group is
        when Student =>
          GPA : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
          Year : Integer range 1..4;
        when Faculty =>
          Pubs : Integer;
      end case;
    end record;
  -- parameters can be unconstrained (constraint comes from caller)
  procedure Put ( Item : in Person );
  procedure Get ( Item : in out Person );
end Person_Pkg;
```

# Primitives

## ■ Output

```
procedure Put ( Item : in Person ) is
begin
  Put_Line("Group:" & Person_Group'Image(Item.Group));
  Put_Line("Name: " & Item.Name );
  -- Group specified by caller
  case Item.Group is
    when Student =>
      Put_Line("GPA:" & Float'Image(Item.GPA));
      Put_Line("Year:" & Integer'Image(Item.Year) );
    when Faculty =>
      Put_Line("Pubs:" & Integer'Image(Item.Pubs) );
  end case;
end Put;
```

## ■ Input

```
procedure Get ( Item : in out Person ) is
begin
  -- Group specified by caller
  case Item.Group is
    when Student =>
      Item.GPA := Get_GPA;
      Item.Year := Get_Year;
    when Faculty =>
      Item.Pubs := Get_Pubs;
  end case;
end Get;
```

# Usage

```
with Person_Pkg; use Person_Pkg;
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Person_Test is
  Group   : Person_Group;
  Line    : String(1..80);
  Index   : Natural;
begin
  loop
    Put("Group (Student or Faculty, empty line to quit): ");
    Get_Line(Line, Index);
    exit when Index=0;
    Group := Person_Group'Value(Line(1..Index));
    declare
      Someone : Person(Group);
    begin
      Get(Someone);
      case Someone.Group is
        when Student => Student_Do_Something ( Someone );
        when Faculty => Faculty_Do_Something ( Someone );
      end case;
      Put(Someone);
    end;
  end loop;
end Person_Test;
```

## Unconstrained Discriminated Records

# Adding Flexibility to Discriminated Records

- Previously, declaration of `Person` implies that object, once created, is always constrained by initial value of `Group`
  - Assigning `Person (Faculty)` to `Person (Student)` or vice versa, raises `Constraint_Error`
- Additional flexibility is sometimes desired
  - Allow declaration of unconstrained `Person`, to which either `Person (Faculty)` or `Person (Student)` can be assigned
  - To do this, *declare discriminant with default initialization*
- Type safety is not compromised
  - Modification of discriminant is only permitted when entire record is assigned
    - Either through copying an object or aggregate assignment



# Unconstrained Discriminated Record Example

```

declare
  type Mutant( Group : Person_Group := Faculty ) is
    record
      Name : String(1..10);
      case Group is
        when Student =>
          GPA   : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
          Year  : Integer range 1..4;
        when Faculty =>
          Pubs  : Integer;
      end case;
    end record;

  Pat  : Mutant( Student ); -- Constrained
  Doc  : Mutant( Faculty ); -- Constrained
  Zork : Mutant; -- Unconstrained (Zork.Group = Faculty)

begin
  Zork      := Pat;      -- OK, Zork.Group was Faculty, is now Student
  Zork.Group := Faculty; -- Illegal to assign to discriminant
  Zork      := Doc;      -- OK, Zork.Group is now Faculty
  Pat      := Zork;      -- Run-time error (Constraint_Error)
end;
```

# Quiz

```
procedure Main is
  type Shape_Kind is (Circle, Line);

  type Shape (Kind : Shape_Kind) is record
    case Kind is
      when Line =>
        X, Y : Float;
        X2, Y2 : Float;
      when Circle =>
        Radius : Float;
    end case;
  end record;
  -- V and V2 declaration...
begin
  V := V2;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal for this piece of code?

- ☐ A V : Shape := (Circle, others => 0.0)  
V2 : Shape (Line);
- ☐ B V : Shape := (Kind => Circle, Radius => 0.0);  
V2 : Shape (Circle);
- ☐ C V : Shape (Line) := (Kind => Circle, Radius => 0.0);  
V2 : Shape (Circle);
- ☐ D V : Shape;  
V2 : Shape (Circle);

# Quiz

```

procedure Main is
  type Shape_Kind is (Circle, Line);

  type Shape (Kind : Shape_Kind) is record
    case Kind is
      when Line =>
        X, Y : Float;
        X2, Y2 : Float;
      when Circle =>
        Radius : Float;
    end case;
  end record;
  -- V and V2 declaration...
begin
  V := V2;

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Which declaration(s) is(are) legal for this piece of code?

- ☐ A V : Shape := (Circle, others => 0.0)  
V2 : Shape (Line);
- ☐ B V : Shape := (Kind => Circle, Radius => 0.0);  
V2 : Shape (Circle);
- ☐ C V : Shape (Line) := (Kind => Circle, Radius => 0.0);  
V2 : Shape (Circle);
- ☐ D V : Shape;  
V2 : Shape (Circle);
- ☐ A Cannot assign with different discriminant
- ☐ B OK
- ☐ C V initial value has a different discriminant
- ☐ D Shape cannot be mutable: V must have a discriminant

# Quiz

```
type Shape_Kind is (Circle, Line);

type Shape (Kind : Shape_Kind) is record
  case Kind is
    when Line =>
      X, Y : Float;
      X2, Y2 : Float;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☐ A when Circle =>  
Cord : Shape (Line);
- ☐ B when Circle =>  
Center : array (1 .. 2) of Float;  
Radius : Float;
- ☐ C when Circle =>  
Center\_X, Center\_Y : Float;  
Radius : Float;
- ☐ D when Circle =>  
X, Y, Radius : Float;

# Quiz

```
type Shape_Kind is (Circle, Line);

type Shape (Kind : Shape_Kind) is record
  case Kind is
    when Line =>
      X, Y : Float;
      X2, Y2 : Float;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☐ A when Circle =>  
    Cord : Shape (Line);
- ☐ B when Circle =>  
    Center : array (1 .. 2) of Float;  
    Radius : Float;
- ☒ C when Circle =>  
    Center\_X, Center\_Y : Float;  
    Radius : Float;
- ☐ D when Circle =>  
    X, Y, Radius : Float;
- ☐ A Referencing itself
- ☐ B anonymous array in record declaration
- ☐ C OK
- ☐ D X, Y are duplicated with the Line variant

## Unconstrained Arrays

## Varying Lengths of Array Objects

- In Ada, array objects have to be fixed length

```
S : String(1..80);
```

```
A : array ( M .. K*L ) of Integer;
```

- We would like an object with a maximum length, but current length is variable
  - Need two pieces of data
    - Array contents
    - Location of last valid element
- For common usage, we want this to be a type (probably a record)
  - Maximum size array for contents
  - Index for last valid element

# Simple Unconstrained Array

```
type Simple_VString is
  record
    Length : Natural range 0 .. Max_Length := 0;
    Data   : String (1 .. Max_Length) := (others => ' ');
  end record;

function "&"(Left, Right : Simple_VString) return Simple_VString is
  Result : Simple_VString;
begin
  if Left.Length + Right.Length > Max_Length then
    raise Constraint_Error;
  else
    Result.Length := Left.Length + Right.Length;
    Result.Data (1 .. Result.Length) :=
      Left.Data (1 .. Left.Length) & Right.Data (1 .. Right.Length);
    return Result;
  end if;
end "&";
```

## ■ Issues

- Every object has same maximum length
- Length needs to be maintained by program logic
- Need to define "="



## Varying Length Array via Discriminated Records

- Discriminant can serve as bound of array component

```
type VString ( Max_Length : Natural := 0 ) is
  record
    Data      : String(1..Max_Length) := (others => ' ');
  end record;
```

- Discriminant default value?
  - With default discriminant value, objects can be copied even if lengths are different
  - With no default discriminant value, objects of different lengths cannot be copied

# Varying Length Array via Discriminated Records and Subtypes

- Discriminant can serve as bound of array component
- Subtype serves as upper bound for Size\_T'Last

```
subtype VString_Size is Natural range 0 .. Max_Length;
```

```
type VString (Size : VString_Size := 0) is  
  record  
    Data    : String (1 .. Size) := (others => ' ');  
  end record;
```

```
Empty_VString : constant VString := (0, "");
```

```
function Make (S : String) return VString is  
  ((Size => S'Length, Data => S));
```

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean;
```

How to declare an array of two elements?

- A. `0 : My_Array (2)`
- B. `0 : My_Array (1 .. 2)`
- C. `0 : My_Array (1 .. 3)`
- D. `0 : My_Array (1, 3)`

# Quiz

```
type My_Array is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean;
```

How to declare an array of two elements?

- A. `0 : My_Array (2)`
- B. `0 : My_Array (1 .. 2)`
- C. `0 : My_Array (1 .. 3)`
- D. `0 : My_Array (1, 3)`

# Quiz

```
type R (Size : Integer := 0) is record  
  S : String (1 .. Size);  
end record;
```

Which proposition(s) will compile and run without error?

- ☒ A. `V : R := (6, "Hello")`
- ☒ B. `V : R := (5, "Hello")`
- ☒ C. `V : R (5) := (5, S => "Hello")`
- ☒ D. `V : R (6) := (6, S => "Hello")`

# Quiz

```
type R (Size : Integer := 0) is record
  S : String (1 .. Size);
end record;
```

Which proposition(s) will compile and run without error?

- ☐ A. `V : R := (6, "Hello")`
- ☐ B. `V : R := (5, "Hello")`
- ☒ C. `V : R (5) := (5, S => "Hello")`
- ☐ D. `V : R (6) := (6, S => "Hello")`

When `V` is declared without specifying its size, it becomes mutable, at this point the `S'Length = Positive'Last`, causing a `Runtime_Error`. Furthermore the length of "Hello" is 5, it cannot be stored in a `String` of Length 6.

## Discriminated Record Details

# Semantics of Discriminated Records

- A discriminant is a parameter to a record type
  - The value of a discriminant affects the presence, constraints, or initialization of other components
- A type may have more than one discriminant
  - Either all have default initializations, or none do
- Ada restricts the kinds of types that may be used to declare a discriminant
  - Discrete types (i.e., enumeration or integer type)
  - Access types (not covered here)



## Use of Discriminants in Record Definition

- Within the record type definition, a discriminant may only be referenced in the following contexts
  - In "case" of variant part
  - As a bound of a record component that is an unconstrained array
  - As an initialization expression for a component
  - As the value of a discriminant for a component that itself a variant record
- A discriminant is not allowed as the bound of a range constraint

Lab

# Discriminated Record Types Lab

- Requirements for a simplistic employee database
  - Create a package to handle varying length strings using variant records
    - The string type **must** be **private**!
    - The variant can appear on the partial definition or the full
  - Create a package to create employee data in a variant record
    - Store first name, last name, and hourly pay rate for all employees
    - Supervisors must also include the project they are supervising
    - Managers must also include the number of employees they are managing and the department name
  - Main program should read employee information from the console
    - Any number of any type of employees can be entered in any order
    - When data entry is done, print out all appropriate information for each employee
- Hints
  - Create concatenation functions for your varying length string type
  - Is it easier to create an input function for each employee category, or a common one?

# Discriminated Record Types Lab Solution - Vstring

```

package Vstring is
  Max_String_Length : constant := 1_000;
  type Vstring_T is private;
  function To_Vstring (Str : String) return Vstring_T;
  function To_String (Vstr : Vstring_T) return String;
  function "&" (L, R : Vstring_T) return Vstring_T;
  function "&" (L : String; R : Vstring_T) return Vstring_T;
  function "&" (L : Vstring_T; R : String) return Vstring_T;
private
  subtype Index_T is Integer range 0 .. Max_String_Length;
  type Vstring_T (Length : Index_T := 0) is record
    Text : String (1 .. Length);
  end record;
end Vstring;

package body Vstring is
  function To_Vstring (Str : String) return Vstring_T is
    ((Length => Str'Length, Text => Str));
  function To_String (Vstr : Vstring_T) return String is
    (Vstr.Text);
  function "&" (L, R : Vstring_T) return Vstring_T is
    Ret_Val : constant String := L.Text & R.Text;
  begin
    return (Length => Ret_Val'Length, Text => Ret_Val);
  end "&";

  function "&" (L : String; R : Vstring_T) return Vstring_T is
    Ret_Val : constant String := L & R.Text;
  begin
    return (Length => Ret_Val'Length, Text => Ret_Val);
  end "&";

  function "&" (L : Vstring_T; R : String) return Vstring_T is
    Ret_Val : constant String := L.Text & R;
  begin
    return (Length => Ret_Val'Length, Text => Ret_Val);
  end "&";
end Vstring;

```

# Discriminated Record Types Lab Solution - Employee (Spec)

```
with Vstring;      use Vstring;
package Employee is

    type Category_T is (Staff, Supervisor, Manager);
    type Pay_T is delta 0.01 range 0.0 .. 1_000.00;

    type Employee_T (Category : Category_T := Staff) is record
        Last_Name   : Vstring.Vstring_T;
        First_Name  : Vstring.Vstring_T;
        Hourly_Rate : Pay_T;
        case Category is
            when Staff =>
                null;
            when Supervisor =>
                Project : Vstring.Vstring_T;
            when Manager =>
                Department : Vstring.Vstring_T;
                Staff_Count : Natural;
        end case;
    end record;

    function Get_Staff return Employee_T;
    function Get_Supervisor return Employee_T;
    function Get_Manager return Employee_T;

end Employee;
```

# Discriminated Record Types Lab Solution - Employee (Body)

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
package body Employee is
  function Read (Prompt : String) return String is
  begin
    Put (Prompt & " > ");
    return Get_Line;
  end Read;

  function Get_Staff return Employee_T is
    Ret_Val : Employee_T (Staff);
  begin
    Ret_Val.Last_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("Last name"));
    Ret_Val.First_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("First name"));
    Ret_Val.Hourly_Rate := Pay_T'Value (Read ("Hourly rate"));
    return Ret_Val;
  end Get_Staff;

  function Get_Supervisor return Employee_T is
    Ret_Val : Employee_T (Supervisor);
  begin
    Ret_Val.Last_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("Last name"));
    Ret_Val.First_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("First name"));
    Ret_Val.Hourly_Rate := Pay_T'Value (Read ("Hourly rate"));
    Ret_Val.Project := To_Vstring (Read ("Project"));
    return Ret_Val;
  end Get_Supervisor;

  function Get_Manager return Employee_T is
    Ret_Val : Employee_T (Manager);
  begin
    Ret_Val.Last_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("Last name"));
    Ret_Val.First_Name := To_Vstring (Read ("First name"));
    Ret_Val.Hourly_Rate := Pay_T'Value (Read ("Hourly rate"));
    Ret_Val.Department := To_Vstring (Read ("Department"));
    Ret_Val.Staff_Count := Integer'Value (Read ("Staff count"));
    return Ret_Val;
  end Get_Manager;
end Employee;
```

# Discriminated Record Types Lab Solution - Main

```

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Employee;
with Vstring; use Vstring;
procedure Main is
  procedure Print (Member : Employee.Employee_T) is
    First_Line : constant Vstring.Vstring_T :=
      Member.First_Name & " " & Member.Last_Name & " " &
      Member.Hourly_Rate'Image;
  begin
    Put_Line (Vstring.To_String (First_Line));
    case Member.Category is
      when Employee.Supervisor =>
        Put_Line ("   Project: " & Vstring.To_String (Member.Project));
      when Employee.Manager =>
        Put_Line ("   Overseeing " & Member.Staff_Count'Image & " in " &
          Vstring.To_String (Member.Department));
      when others => null;
    end case;
  end Print;

  List : array (1 .. 1_000) of Employee.Employee_T;
  Count : Natural := 0;
begin
  loop
    Put_Line ("E => Employee");
    Put_Line ("S => Supervisor");
    Put_Line ("M => Manager");
    Put_Line ("E/S/M (any other to stop): ");
    declare
      Choice : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      case Choice (1) is
        when 'E' | 'e' =>
          Count := Count + 1;
          List (Count) := Employee.Get_Staff;
        when 'S' | 's' =>
          Count := Count + 1;
          List (Count) := Employee.Get_Supervisor;
        when 'M' | 'm' =>
          Count := Count + 1;
          List (Count) := Employee.Get_Manager;
        when others =>
          exit;
        end case;
      end;
    end loop;
    for Item of List (1 .. Count) loop
      Print (Item);
    end loop;
  end Main;

```

## Summary



# Properties of Discriminated Record Types

## ■ Rules

- Case choices for variants must partition possible values for discriminant
- Field names must be unique across all variants

## ■ Style

- Typical processing is via a case statement that "dispatches" based on discriminant
- This centralized functional processing is in contrast to decentralized object-oriented approach

## ■ Flexibility

- Variant parts may be nested, if some components common to a set of variants

# Type Derivation

## Introduction

# Type Derivation

- Type *derivation* allows for reusing code
- Type can be **derived** from a **base type**
- Base type can be substituted by the derived type
- Subprograms defined on the base type are **inherited** on derived type
- This is **not** OOP in Ada
  - Tagged derivation **is** OOP in Ada

# Ada Mechanisms for Type Inheritance

- *Primitive* operations on types
  - Standard operations like  $+$  and  $-$
  - Any operation that acts on the type
- Type derivation
  - Define types from other types that can add limitations
  - Can add operations to the type
- Tagged derivation
  - **This** is OOP in Ada
  - Seen in other chapter

## Primitives

# Primitive Operations

- A type is characterized by two elements
  - Its data structure
  - The set of operations that applies to it
- The operations are called **primitive operations** in Ada

```
type T is new Integer;  
procedure Attrib_Function(Value : T);
```

# General Rule For a Primitive

- Primitives are subprograms
- **S** is a primitive of type **T** iff
  - **S** is declared in the scope of **T**
  - **S** "uses" type **T**
    - As a parameter
    - As its return type (for **function**)
  - **S** is above *freeze-point*
- Rule of thumb
  - Primitives must be declared **right after** the type itself
  - In a scope, declare at most a **single** type with primitives

```
package P is
  type T is range 1 .. 10;
  procedure P1 (V : T);
  procedure P2 (V1 : Integer; V2 : T);
  function F return T;
end P;
```



## Simple Derivation

# Simple Type Derivation

- Any type (except **tagged**) can be derived

```
type Child is new Parent;
```

- Child inherits from:

- The data **representation** of the parent
- The **primitives** of the parent

- Conversions are possible from child to parent

```
type Parent is range 1 .. 10;
procedure Prim (V : Parent);
type Child is new Parent;  -- Freeze Parent
procedure Not_A_Primitive (V : Parent);
C : Child;
...
Prim (C);  -- Implicitly declared
Not_A_Primitive (Parent (C));
```

# Simple Derivation and Type Structure

- The type "structure" can not change

- **array** cannot become **record**
- Integers cannot become floats

- But can be **constrained** further

- Scalar ranges can be reduced

```
type Tiny_Int is range -100 .. 100;  
type Tiny_Positive is new Tiny_Int range 1 .. 100;
```

- Unconstrained types can be constrained

```
type Arr is array (Integer range <>) of Integer;  
type Ten_Elem_Arr is new Arr (1 .. 10);  
type Rec (Size : Integer) is record  
    Elem : Arr (1 .. Size);  
end record;  
type Ten_Elem_Rec is new Rec (10);
```

# Overriding Indications

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- **Optional** indications

- Checked by compiler

```
type Root is range 1 .. 100;  
procedure Prim (V : Root);  
type Child is new Root;
```

- **Replacing** a primitive: **overriding** indication

```
overriding procedure Prim (V : Child);
```

- **Adding** a primitive: **not overriding** indication

```
not overriding procedure Prim2 (V : Child);
```

- **Removing** a primitive: **overriding** as **abstract**

```
overriding procedure Prim (V : Child) is abstract;
```

# Quiz

```
type T1 is range 1 .. 100;  
procedure Proc_A (X : in out T1);
```

```
type T2 is new T1 range 2 .. 99;  
procedure Proc_B (X : in out T1);  
procedure Proc_B (X : in out T2);
```

```
-- Other scope  
procedure Proc_C (X : in out T2);
```

```
type T3 is new T2 range 3 .. 98;
```

```
procedure Proc_C (X : in out T3);
```

Which are T1's primitives

- ☐ A. Proc\_A
- ☐ B. Proc\_B
- ☐ C. Proc\_C
- ☐ D. No primitives of T1

# Quiz

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type T1 is range 1 .. 100;  
procedure Proc_A (X : in out T1);
```

```
type T2 is new T1 range 2 .. 99;  
procedure Proc_B (X : in out T1);  
procedure Proc_B (X : in out T2);
```

```
-- Other scope  
procedure Proc_C (X : in out T2);
```

```
type T3 is new T2 range 3 .. 98;
```

```
procedure Proc_C (X : in out T3);
```

Which are T1's primitives

- ☒ A. *Proc\_A*
- ☐ B. Proc\_B
- ☐ C. Proc\_C
- ☐ D. No primitives of T1

Explanations

- ☒ A. Correct
- ☐ B. Freeze: T1 has been derived
- ☐ C. Freeze: scope change
- ☐ D. Incorrect

## Summary

# Summary

- *Primitive* of a type
  - Subprogram above **freeze-point** that takes or return the type
  - Can be a primitive for **multiple types**
- Freeze point rules can be tricky
- Simple type derivation
  - Types derived from other types can only **add limitations**
    - Constraints, ranges
    - Cannot change underlying structure



# Subprograms

# Introduction

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- Are syntactically distinguished as **function** and **procedure**
  - Functions represent *values*
  - Procedures represent *actions*

```
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean
procedure Split (T : in out Tree;
                 Left : out Tree;
                 Right : out Tree)
```

- Provide direct syntactic support for separation of specification from implementation

```
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean;
function Is_Leaf (T : Tree) return Boolean is
begin
...
end Is_Leaf;
```

# Recognizing Procedures and Functions

- Functions' results must be treated as values
  - And cannot be ignored
- Procedures cannot be treated as values
- You can always distinguish them via the call context

```
10  Open (Source, "SomeFile.txt");
11  while not End_of_File (Source) loop
12      Get (Next_Char, From => Source);
13      if Found (Next_Char, Within => Buffer) then
14          Display (Next_Char);
15      end if;
16  end loop;
```

# A Little "Preaching" About Names

- Procedures are abstractions for actions
- Functions are abstractions for values
- Use names that reflect those facts!
  - Imperative verbs for procedure names
  - Nouns for function names, as for mathematical functions
  - Questions work for boolean functions

```
procedure Open (V : in out Valve);  
procedure Close (V : in out Valve);  
function Square_Root (V: Real) return Real;  
function Is_Open (V: Valve) return Boolean;
```

# Syntax

# Specification and Body

- Subprogram specification is the external (user) **interface**
  - **Declaration** and **specification** are used synonymously
- Specification may be required in some cases
  - eg. recursion
- Subprogram body is the **implementation**

# Procedure Specification Syntax (Simplified)

```
procedure Swap (A, B : in out Integer);
```

```
procedure_specification ::=  
    procedure program_unit_name  
        ( parameter_specification  
          { ; parameter_specification } );
```

```
parameter_specification ::=  
    identifier_list : mode subtype_mark [ := expression ]
```

```
mode ::= [in] | out | in out
```



# Function Specification Syntax (Simplified)

```
function F (X : Real) return Real;
```

- Close to **procedure** specification syntax
  - With **return**
  - Can be an operator: + - \* / **mod rem** ...

```
function_specification ::=  
  function designator  
    ( parameter_specification  
      { ; parameter_specification } )  
  return result_type;
```

```
designator ::= program_unit_name | operator_symbol
```

# Body Syntax

```
subprogram_specification is
    [declarations]
begin
    sequence_of_statements
end [designator];

procedure Hello is
begin
    Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ("Hello World!");
    Ada.Text_IO.New_Line (2);
end Hello;

function F (X : Real) return Real is
    Y : constant Real := X + 3.0;
begin
    return X * Y;
end F;
```

# Completions

- Bodies **complete** the specification
  - There are **other** ways to complete
- Separate specification is **not required**
  - Body can act as a specification
- A declaration and its body must **fully** conform
  - Mostly **semantic** check
  - But parameters **must** have same name

```
procedure P (J, K : Integer)
procedure P (J : Integer; K : Integer)
procedure P (J, K : in Integer)
-- Invalid
procedure P (A : Integer; B : Integer)
```

# Completion Examples

## ■ Specifications

```
procedure Swap (A, B : in out Integer);  
function Min (X, Y : Person) return Person;
```

## ■ Completions

```
procedure Swap (A, B : in out Integer) is  
  Temp : Integer := A;  
begin  
  A := B;  
  B := Temp;  
end Swap;
```

```
-- Completion as specification
```

```
function Less_Than ( X, Y : Person) return boolean is  
begin  
  return X.Age < Y.Age;  
endf Less_Than
```

```
function Min (X, Y : Person) return Person;  
begin  
  if Less_Than ( X, Y ) then  
    return X;  
  else  
    return Y;  
  end if;  
end Min;
```

## Direct Recursion - No Declaration Needed

- When **is** is reached, the subprogram becomes **visible**
  - It can call **itself** without a declaration

```
type List is array (Natural range <>) of Integer;  
Empty_List : constant List (1 .. 0) := (others => 0);
```

```
function Get_List return List is
```

```
    Next : Integer;
```

```
begin
```

```
    Get (Next);
```

```
    if Next = 0 then
```

```
        return Empty_List;
```

```
    else
```

```
        return Get_List & Next;
```

```
    end if;
```

```
end Input;
```

# Indirect Recursion Example

- Elaboration in **linear order**

```
procedure P;
```

```
procedure F is  
begin  
  P;  
end F;
```

```
procedure P is  
begin  
  F;  
end P;
```

# Quiz

Which profile is semantically different from the others?

- A. `procedure P ( A : Integer; B : Integer );`
- B. `procedure P ( A, B : Integer );`
- C. `procedure P ( B : Integer; A : Integer );`
- D. `procedure P ( A : in Integer; B : in Integer );`

# Quiz

Which profile is semantically different from the others?

- A. `procedure P ( A : Integer; B : Integer );`
- B. `procedure P ( A, B : Integer );`
- C. *`procedure P ( B : Integer; A : Integer );`*
- D. `procedure P ( A : in Integer; B : in Integer );`

Parameter names are important in Ada. The other selections have the names in the same order with the same mode and type.



## Parameters

# Subprogram Parameter Terminology

- *Actual parameters* are values passed to a call
  - Variables, constants, expressions
- *Formal parameters* are defined by specification
  - Receive the values passed from the actual parameters
  - Specify the types required of the actual parameters
  - Type **cannot** be anonymous

```
procedure Something (Formal1 : in Integer);
```

```
ActualX : Integer;
```

```
...
```

```
Something (ActualX);
```

## Parameter Associations In Calls

- Associate formal parameters with actuals
- Both positional and named association allowed

```
Something (ActualX, Formal2 => ActualY);
```

```
Something (Formal2 => ActualY, Formal1 => ActualX);
```

- Having named **then** positional is forbidden

```
-- Compilation Error
```

```
Something (Formal1 => ActualX, ActualY);
```

# Actual Parameters Respect Constraints

- Must satisfy any constraints of formal parameters
- `Constraint_Error` otherwise

```
declare
```

```
  Q : Integer := ...
```

```
  P : Positive := ...
```

```
  procedure Foo (This : Positive);
```

```
begin
```

```
  Foo (Q); -- runtime error if Q <= 0
```

```
  Foo (P);
```

# Parameter Modes and Return

## ■ Mode **in**

- Actual parameter is **constant**
- Can have **default**, used when **no value** is provided

```
procedure P (N : in Integer := 1; M : in Positive);  
-- ...  
P (M => 2);
```

## ■ Mode **out**

- Writing is **expected**
- Reading is **allowed**
- Actual **must** be a writable object

## ■ Mode **in out**

- Actual is expected to be **both** read and written
- Actual **must** be a writable object

## ■ Function **return**

- **Must** always be handled

## Why Read Mode **out** Parameters?

- **Convenience** of writing the body
  - No need for readable temporary variable
- Warning: initial value is **not defined**

```
procedure Compute (Value : out Integer) is
begin
  Value := 0;
  for K in 1 .. 10 loop
    Value := Value + K; -- this is a read AND a write
  end loop;
end Compute;
```

# Parameter Passing Mechanisms

- *By-Copy*
  - The formal denotes a separate object from the actual
  - **in**, **in out**: actual is copied into the formal **on entry to** the subprogram
  - **out**, **in out**: formal is copied into the actual **on exit from** the subprogram
- *By-Reference*
  - The formal denotes a view of the actual
  - Reads and updates to the formal directly affect the actual
  - More efficient for large objects
- Parameter **types** control mechanism selection
  - Not the parameter **modes**
  - Compiler determines the mechanism

# By-Copy vs By-Reference Types

- By-Copy
  - Scalar types
  - **access** types
- By-Reference
  - **tagged** types
  - **task** types and **protected** types
  - **limited** types
- **array**, **record**
  - By-Reference when they have by-reference **components**
  - By-Reference for **implementation-defined** optimizations
  - By-Copy otherwise
- **private** depends on its full definition



# Unconstrained Formal Parameters or Return

- Unconstrained **formals** are allowed
  - Constrained by **actual**
- Unconstrained **return** is allowed too
  - Constrained by the **returned object**

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Real;  
procedure Print (Formal : Vector);
```

```
Phase : Vector (X .. Y);
```

```
State : Vector (1 .. 4);
```

```
...
```

```
begin
```

```
  Print (Phase);           -- Formal'Range is X .. Y
```

```
  Print (State);           -- Formal'Range is 1 .. 4
```

```
  Print (State (3 .. 4));  -- Formal'Range is 3 .. 4
```

## Unconstrained Parameters Surprise

- Assumptions about formal bounds may be **wrong**

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Real;  
function Subtract (Left, Right : Vector) return Vector;
```

```
V1 : Vector (1 .. 10); -- length = 10
```

```
V2 : Vector (15 .. 24); -- length = 10
```

```
R : Vector (1 .. 10); -- length = 10
```

```
...
```

```
-- What are the indices returned by Subtract?
```

```
R := Subtract (V2, V1);
```

# Naive Implementation

- **Assumes** bounds are the same everywhere
- Fails when `Left'First /= Right'First`
- Fails when `Left'First /= 1`

```
function Subtract (Left, Right : Vector)
  return Vector is
    Result : Vector (1 .. Left'Length);
begin
  ...
  for K in Result'Range loop
    Result (K) := Left (K) - Right (K);
  end loop;
```

## Correct Implementation

- Covers **all** bounds
- **return** indexed by Left'Range

```
function Subtract (Left, Right : Vector) return Vector is
    Result : Vector (Left'Range);
    Offset : constant Integer := Right'First - Result'First;
begin
    ...
    for K in Result'Range loop
        Result (K) := Left (K) - Right (K + Offset);
    end loop;
```

# Quiz

```
function F (P1 : in      Integer      := 0;  
           P2 : in out Integer;  
           P3 : in      Character := ' ';  
           P4 :      out Character)  
  return Integer;  
J1, J2 : Integer;  
C : Character;
```

Which call is legal?

- ☐ A. J1 := F (P1 => 1, P2 => J2, P3 => '3', P4 => '4');
- ☐ B. J1 := F (P1 => 1, P3 => '3', P4 => C);
- ☐ C. J1 := F (1, J2, '3', C);
- ☐ D. F (J1, J2, '3', C);

# Quiz

```
function F (P1 : in      Integer    := 0;  
            P2 : in out Integer;  
            P3 : in      Character := ' '  
            P4 :      out Character)  
    return Integer;  
J1, J2 : Integer;  
C : Character;
```

Which call is legal?

- ☐ A. J1 := F (P1 => 1, P2 => J2, P3 => '3', P4 => '4');
- ☐ B. J1 := F (P1 => 1, P3 => '3', P4 => C);
- ☒ C. J1 := F (1, J2, '3', C);
- ☐ D. F (J1, J2, '3', C);

Explanations

- ☐ A. P4 is **out**, it **must** be a variable
- ☐ B. P2 has no default value, it **must** be specified
- ☒ C. Correct
- ☐ D. F is a function, its **return must** be handled

## Null Procedures

# Null Procedure Declarations

Ada 2005

- Shorthand for a procedure body that does nothing
- Longhand form

```
procedure NOP is
begin
    null;
end NOP;
```

- Shorthand form

```
procedure NOP is null;
```

- The `null` statement is present in both cases
- Explicitly indicates nothing to be done, rather than an accidental removal of statements



# Null Procedures As Completions

Ada 2005

- Completions for a distinct, prior declaration

```
procedure NOP;  
...  
procedure NOP is null;
```

- A declaration and completion together

- A body is then not required, thus not allowed

```
procedure NOP is null;  
...  
procedure NOP is -- compile error  
begin  
    null;  
end NOP;
```

# Typical Use for Null Procedures: OOP

Ada 2005

- When you want a method to be concrete, rather than abstract, but don't have anything for it to do
  - The method is then always callable, including places where an abstract routine would not be callable
  - More convenient than full null-body definition

# Null Procedure Summary

Ada 2005

- Allowed where you can have a full body
  - Syntax is then for shorthand for a full null-bodied procedure
- Allowed where you can have a declaration!
  - Example: package declarations
  - Syntax is shorthand for both declaration and completion
    - Thus no body required/allowed
- Formal parameters are allowed

```
procedure Do_Something ( P : integer ) is null;
```

## Nested Subprograms

# Subprograms within Subprograms

- Subprograms can be placed in any declarative block
  - So they can be nested inside another subprogram
  - Or even within a **declare** block
- Useful for performing sub-operations without passing parameter data

## Nested Subprogram Example

```
1  procedure Main is
2
3      function Read (Prompt : String) return Types.Line_T is
4      begin
5          Put ("> ");
6          return Types.Line_T'Value (Get_Line);
7      end Read;
8
9      Lines : Types.Lines_T (1 .. 10);
10  begin
11      for J in Lines'Range loop
12          Lines (J) := Read ("Line " & J'Image);
13      end loop;
```

## Procedure Specifics

# Return Statements In Procedures

- Returns immediately to caller
- Optional
  - Automatic at end of body execution
- Fewer is traditionally considered better

```
procedure P is
begin
    ...
    if Some_Condition then
        return; -- early return
    end if;
    ...
end P; -- automatic return
```



## Function Specifics

# Return Statements In Functions

- Must have at least one
  - Compile-time error otherwise
  - Unless doing machine-code insertions
- Returns a value of the specified (sub)type
- Syntax

```
function defining_designator [formal_part]
    return subtype_mark is
declarative_part
begin
    {statements}
    return expression;
end designator;
```

## No Path Analysis Required By Compiler

- Running to the end of a function without hitting a **return** statement raises `Program_Error`
- Compilers can issue warning if they suspect that a **return** statement will not be hit

```
function Greater (X, Y : Integer) return Boolean is
begin
    if X > Y then
        return True;
    end if;
end Greater; -- possible compile warning
```

## Multiple Return Statements

- Allowed
- Sometimes the most clear

```
function Truncated (R : Real) return Integer is
  Converted : Integer := Integer (R);
begin
  if R - Real (Converted) < 0.0 then -- rounded up
    return Converted - 1;
  else -- rounded down
    return Converted;
  end if;
end Truncated;
```

## Multiple Return Statements Versus One

- Many can detract from readability
- Can usually be avoided

```
function Truncated (R : Real) return Integer is
  Result : Integer := Integer (R);
begin
  if R - Real (Result) < 0.0 then -- rounded up
    Result := Result - 1;
  end if;
  return Result;
end Truncated;
```

## Composite Result Types Allowed

```
function Identity (Order : Positive := 3) return Matrix is
    Result : Matrix (1 .. Order, 1 .. Order);
begin
    for K in 1 .. Order loop
        for J in 1 .. Order loop
            if K = J then
                Result (K,J) := 1.0;
            else
                Result (K,J) := 0.0;
            end if;
        end loop;
    end loop;
    return Result;
end Identity;
```

## Function Dynamic-Size Results

```
is
  function Char_Mult (C : Character; L : Natural)
    return String is
    R : String (1 .. L) := (others => C);
  begin
    return R;
  end Char_Mult;

  X : String := Char_Mult ('x', 4);
begin
  -- OK
  pragma Assert (X'Length = 4 and X = "xxxx");
```

## Expression Functions



# Examples

[https://learn.adacore.com/training\\_examples/fundamentals\\_of\\_ada/070\\_subprograms.html#expression-functions](https://learn.adacore.com/training_examples/fundamentals_of_ada/070_subprograms.html#expression-functions)

# Expression Functions

Ada 2012

- Functions whose implementations are pure expressions
  - No other completion is allowed
  - No **return** keyword
- May exist only for sake of pre/postconditions

```
function function_specification is ( expression );
```

NB: Parentheses around expression are **required**

- Can complete a prior declaration

```
function Squared (X : Integer) return Integer;  
function Squared (X : Integer) return Integer is  
    (X ** 2);
```

# Expression Functions Example

Ada 2012

- Expression function

```
function Square (X : Integer) return Integer is (X ** 2);
```

- Is equivalent to

```
function Square (X : Integer) return Integer is  
begin  
    return X ** 2;  
end Square;
```

# Quiz

Which statement is True?

- A. Expression functions cannot be nested functions.
- B. Expression functions require a specification and a body.
- C. Expression functions must have at least one "return" statement.
- D. Expression functions can have "out" parameters.

# Quiz

Which statement is True?

- A. Expression functions cannot be nested functions.
- B. Expression functions require a specification and a body.
- C. Expression functions must have at least one "return" statement.
- D. *Expression functions can have "out" parameters.*

Explanations

- A. False, they can be declared just like regular function
- B. False, an expression function cannot have a body
- C. False, expression functions cannot contain a no **return**
- D. Correct, but it can assign to **out** parameters only by calling another function.

## Potential Pitfalls

## Mode **out** Risk for Scalars

- Always assign value to **out** parameters
- Else "By-copy" mechanism will copy something back
  - May be junk
  - `Constraint_Error` or unknown behaviour further down

```
procedure P
  (A, B : in Some_Type; Result : out Scalar_Type) is
begin
  if Some_Condition then
    return;  -- Result not set
  end if;
  ...
  Result := Some_Value;
end P;
```

## "Side Effects"

- Any effect upon external objects or external environment
  - Typically alteration of non-local variables or states
  - Can cause hard-to-debug errors
  - Not legal for **function** in SPARK
- Can be there for historical reasons
  - Or some design patterns

```
Global : Integer := 0;
```

```
function F (X : Integer) return Integer is  
begin  
    Global := Global + X;  
    return Global;  
end P;
```



# Order-Dependent Code And Side Effects

```
Global : Integer := 0;
```

```
function Inc return Integer is  
begin  
    Global := Global + 1;  
    return Global;  
end F;
```

```
procedure Assert_Equals (X, Y : in Integer);  
...  
Assert_Equals (Global, Inc);
```

- Language does **not** specify parameters' order of evaluation
- Assert\_Equals could get called with
  - $X \rightarrow 0, Y \rightarrow 1$  (if Global evaluated first)
  - $X \rightarrow 1, Y \rightarrow 1$  (if Inc evaluated first)

# Parameter Aliasing

- **Aliasing**: Multiple names for an actual parameter inside a subprogram body
- Possible causes:
  - Global object used is also passed as actual parameter
  - Same actual passed to more than one formal
  - Overlapping **array** slices
  - One actual is a component of another actual
- Can lead to code dependent on parameter-passing mechanism
- Ada detects some cases and raises `Program_Error`

```
procedure Update (Doubled, Tripled : in out Integer);  
...  
Update (Doubled => A,  
        Tripled => A);  -- illegal in Ada 2012
```

# Functions' Parameter Modes

Ada 2012

- Can be mode **in** **out** and **out** too
- **Note:** operator functions can only have mode **in**
  - Including those you overload
  - Keeps readers sane
- Justification for only mode **in** prior to Ada 2012
  - No side effects: should be like mathematical functions
  - But side effects are still possible via globals
  - So worst possible case: side effects are possible and necessarily hidden!

## Easy Cases Detected and Not Legal

```
procedure Example ( A : in out Positive ) is
  function Increment (This : Integer) return Integer is
  begin
    A := A + This;
    return A;
  end Increment;
  X : array (1 .. 10) of Integer;
begin
  -- order of evaluating A not specified
  X (A) := Increment (A);
end Example;
```

## Extended Examples

# Tic-Tac-Toe Winners Example (Spec)

```
package TicTacToe is
  type Players is (Nobody, X, O);
  type Move is range 1 .. 9;
  type Game is array (Move) of
    Players;
  function Winner (This : Game)
    return Players;
  ...
end TicTacToe;
```

|   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | N | 2 | N | 3 | N |
| 4 | N | 5 | N | 6 | N |
| 7 | N | 8 | N | 9 | N |

# Tic-Tac-Toe Winners Example (Body)

```
function Winner (This : Game) return Players is
  type Winning_Combinations is range 1 .. 8;
  type Required_Positions   is range 1 .. 3;
  Winning : constant array
    (Winning_Combinations, Required_Positions)
    of Move := (-- rows
      (1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 6), (7, 8, 9),
      -- columns
      (1, 4, 7), (2, 5, 8), (3, 6, 9),
      -- diagonals
      (1, 5, 9), (3, 5, 7));

begin
  for K in Winning_Combinations loop
    if This (Winning (K, 1)) /= Nobody and then
      (This (Winning (K, 1)) = This (Winning (K, 2)) and
       This (Winning (K, 2)) = This (Winning (K, 3)))
    then
      return This (Winning (K, 1));
    end if;
  end loop;
  return Nobody;
end Winner;
```

# Set Example

```

-- some colors
type Color is (Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Violet);
-- truth table for each color
type Set is array (Color) of Boolean;
-- unconstrained array of colors
type Set_Literal is array (Positive range <>) of Color;

-- Take an array of colors and set table value to True
-- for each color in the array
function Make (Values : Set_Literal) return Set;
-- Take a color and return table with color value set to true
function Make (Base : Color) return Set;
-- Return True if the color has the truth value set
function Is_Member (C : Color; Of_Set : Set) return Boolean;

Null_Set : constant Set := (Set'Range => False);
RGB      : Set := Make (
    Set_Literal'( Red, Blue, Green));
Domain   : Set := Make (Green);

if Is_Member (Red, Of_Set => RGB) then ...

-- Type supports operations via Boolean operations,
-- as Set is a one-dimensional array of Boolean
S1, S2 : Set := Make (...);
Union : Set := S1 or S2;
Intersection : Set := S1 and S2;
Difference : Set := S1 xor S2;

```



# Set Example (Implementation)

```
function Make (Base : Color) return Set is
  Result : Set := Null_Set;
begin
  Result (Base) := True;
  return Result;
end Make;

function Make (Values : Set_Literal) return Set is
  Result : Set := Null_Set;
begin
  for K in Values'Range loop
    Result (Values (K)) := True;
  end loop;
  return Result;
end Make;

function Is_Member ( C : Color;
                    Of_Set : Set)
  return Boolean is

begin
  return Of_Set(C);
end Is_Member;
```

## Lab

# Subprograms Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Allow the user to fill a list with values and then check to see if a value is in the list
- Create at least two subprograms:
  - Sort a list of items
  - Search a list of items and return TRUE if found
  - You can create additional subprograms if desired

## ■ Hints

- Subprograms can be nested inside other subprograms
  - Like inside **main**
- Try a binary search algorithm if you want to use recursion
  - Unconstrained arrays may be needed

# Subprograms Lab Solution - Search

```
function Is_Found (List : List_T;
                  Item : Integer)
  return Boolean is
begin
  if List'Length = 0 then
    return False;
  elsif List'Length = 1 then
    return List (List'First) = Item;
  else
    declare
      Midpoint : constant Integer := (List'First + List'Last) / 2;
    begin
      if List (Midpoint) = Item then
        return True;
      elsif List (Midpoint) > Item then
        return Is_Found (List
                        (List'First .. Midpoint - 1), Item);
      else -- List(Midpoint) < item
        return Is_Found (List
                        (Midpoint + 1 .. List'Last), Item);
      end if;
    end;
  end if;
end Is_Found;
```

# Subprograms Lab Solution - Sort

```
procedure Sort (List : in out List_T) is
  Swapped : Boolean;
  procedure Swap (I, J : in Integer) is
    Temp : constant Integer := List (I);
  begin
    List (I) := List (J);
    List (J) := Temp;
    Swapped := True;
  end Swap;
begin
  for I in List'First .. List'Last loop
    Swapped := False;
    for J in 1 .. List'Last - I loop
      if List (J) > List (J + 1)
      then
        Swap (J, J + 1);
      end if;
    end loop;
    if not Swapped then
      return;
    end if;
  end loop;
end Sort;
```

# Subprograms Lab Solution - Main

```
procedure Fill (List : out List_T) is
begin
  Put_Line ("Enter values for list: ");
  for I in List'First .. List'Last
  loop
    List (I) := Integer'Value (Get_Line);
  end loop;
end Fill;

Number : Integer;

begin

  Put ("Enter number of elements in list: ");
  Number := Integer'Value (Get_Line);

  declare
    List : List_T (1 .. Number);
  begin
    Fill (List);
    Sort (List);
    loop
      Put ("Enter number to look for: ");
      Number := Integer'Value (Get_Line);
      exit when Number < 0;
      Put_Line (Boolean'Image (Is_Found (List, Number)));
    end loop;
  end;

end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- **procedure** is abstraction for actions
- **function** is abstraction for value computations
- A **function** may return values of variable size
- Separate declarations are sometimes necessary
  - Mutual recursion
  - Visibility from packages (i.e., exporting)
- Modes allow spec to define effects on actuals
  - Don't have to see the implementation: abstraction maintained
- Parameter-passing mechanism is based on the type
- Watch those side effects!



# Expressions

# Introduction

# Advanced Expressions

- Different categories of expressions above simple assignment and conditional statements
  - Constraining types to sub-ranges to increase readability and flexibility
    - Allows for simple membership checks of values
  - Embedded conditional assignments
    - Equivalent to C's `A ? B : C` and even more elaborate
  - Universal / Existential checks
    - Ability to easily determine if one or all of a set match a condition

## Membership Tests

# "Membership" Operation

## ■ Syntax

```
simple_expression [not] in membership_choice_list
membership_choice_list ::= membership_choice
                           { | membership_choice}
membership_choice ::= expression | range | subtype_mark
```

## ■ Acts like a boolean function

## ■ Usable anywhere a boolean value is allowed

```
X : Integer := ...
B : Boolean := X in 0..5;
C : Boolean := X not in 0..5; -- also "not (X in 0..5)"
```

# Testing Constraints via Membership

```
type Calendar_Days is
    (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur, Fri, Sat, Sun);
subtype Weekdays is Calendar_Days range Mon .. Fri;
Day : Calendar_Days := Today;
...
if Day in Mon .. Fri then ...
if Day in Weekdays then ... - same as above
```

# Testing Non-Contiguous Membership

Ada 2012

- Uses vertical bar "choice" syntax

**declare**`M : Month_Number := Month (Clock);`**begin**`if M in 9 | 4 | 6 | 11 then``Put_Line ("31 days in this month");``elsif M = 2 then``Put_Line ("It's February, who knows?");``else``Put_Line ("30 days in this month");``end if;`

# Quiz

```
type Days_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);  
subtype Weekdays_T is Days_T range Mon .. Fri;  
Today : Days_T;
```

Which condition is illegal?

- A. if Today = Mon or Wed or Fri then
- B. if Today in Days\_T then
- C. if Today not in Weekdays\_T then
- D. if Today in Tue | Thu then



# Quiz

```
type Days_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);  
subtype Weekdays_T is Days_T range Mon .. Fri;  
Today : Days_T;
```

Which condition is illegal?

- A. *if Today = Mon or Wed or Fri then*
- B. *if Today in Days\_T then*
- C. *if Today not in Weekdays\_T then*
- D. *if Today in Tue | Thu then*

Explanations

- A. To use **or**, both sides of the comparison must be duplicated (e.g. Today = Mon **or** Today = Wed)
- B. Legal - should always return True
- C. Legal - returns True if Today is Sat or Sun
- D. Legal - returns True if Today is Tue or Thu

## Qualified Names

# Qualification

- Explicitly indicates the subtype of the value
- Syntax

```
qualified_expression ::= subtype_mark'(expression) |  
                        subtype_mark'aggregate
```

- Similar to conversion syntax
  - Mnemonic - "qualification uses quote"
- Various uses shown in course
  - Testing constraints
  - Removing ambiguity of overloading
  - Enhancing readability via explicitness

# Testing Constraints via Qualification

- Asserts value is compatible with subtype
  - Raises exception `Constraint_Error` if not true

```
subtype Weekdays is Days range Mon .. Fri;
This_Day : Days;
...
case Weekdays'(This_Day) is -- runtime error if out of range
  when Mon =>
    Arrive_Late;
    Leave_Early;
  when Tue .. Thur =>
    Arrive_Early;
    Leave_Late;
  when Fri =>
    Arrive_Early;
    Leave_Early;
end case; -- no 'others' because all subtype values covered
```

## Conditional Expressions

# Conditional Expressions

Ada 2012

- Ultimate value depends on a controlling condition
- Allowed wherever an expression is allowed
  - Assignment RHS, formal parameters, aggregates, etc.
- Similar intent as in other languages
  - Java, C/C++ ternary operation **A ? B : C**
  - Python conditional expressions
  - etc.
- Two forms:
  - *If expressions*
  - *Case expressions*

# If Expressions

Ada 2012

- Syntax looks like an if-statement without **end if**

```
if_expression ::=  
    (if condition then dependent_expression  
     {elsif condition then dependent_expression}  
     [else dependent_expression])  
condition ::= boolean_expression
```

- The conditions are always Boolean values

```
(if Today > Wednesday then 1 else 0)
```

## Result Must Be Compatible with Context

- The **dependent\_expression** parts, specifically

```
X : Integer :=  
  (if Day_Of_Week (Clock) > Wednesday then 1 else 0);
```



## If Expression Example

```
declare
    Remaining : Natural := 5;  -- arbitrary
begin
    while Remaining > 0 loop
        Put_Line ("Warning! Self-destruct in" &
            Remaining'Image &
            (if Remaining = 1 then " second" else " seconds"));
        delay 1.0;
        Remaining := Remaining - 1;
    end loop;
    Put_Line ("Boom! (goodbye Nostromo)");
```

# Boolean If-Expressions

- Return a value of either True or False
  - `(if P then Q)` - assuming **P** and **Q** are **Boolean**
  - "If P is True then the result of the if-expression is the value of Q"
- But what is the overall result if all conditions are False?
- Answer: the default result value is True
  - Why?
    - Consistency with mathematical proving

## The **else** Part When Result Is Boolean

- Redundant because the default result is True

- `(if P then Q else True)`

- So for convenience and elegance it can be omitted

```
Good      : Boolean := (if P1 > 0 then P2 > 0 else True);  
Also_Ok   : Boolean := (if P1 > 0 then P2 > 0);
```

- Use **else** if you need to return False at the end

## Rationale for Parentheses Requirement

- Prevents ambiguity regarding any enclosing expression
- Problem:

```
X : integer := if condition then A else B + 1;
```

- Does that mean
  - If condition, then **X := A + 1**, else **X := B + 1 OR**
  - If condition, then **X := A**, else **X := B + 1**
- But not required if parentheses already present
  - Because enclosing construct includes them

```
Subprogram_Call(if A then B else C);
```

## When To Use *If Expressions*

- When you need computation to be done prior to sequence of statements
  - Allows constants that would otherwise have to be variables
- When an enclosing function would be either heavy or redundant with enclosing context
  - You'd already have written a function if you'd wanted one
- Preconditions and postconditions
  - All the above reasons
  - Puts meaning close to use rather than in package body
- Static named numbers
  - Can be much cleaner than using `Boolean'Pos(condition)`

## *If Expression* Example for Constants

- Starting from

```
End_of_Month : array (Months) of Days
:= (Sep | Apr | Jun | Nov => 30,
    Feb => 28,
    others => 31);
begin
  if Leap (Today.Year) then -- adjust for leap year
    End_of_Month (Feb) := 29;
  end if;
  if Today.Day = End_of_Month(Today.Month) then
    ...
```

- Using if-expression to call Leap (Year) as needed

```
End_Of_Month : constant array (Months) of Days
:= (Sep | Apr | Jun | Nov => 30,
    Feb => (if Leap (Today.Year)
            then 29 else 28),
    others => 31);
begin
  if Today.Day /= End_of_Month(Today.Month) then
    ...
```

# Case Expressions

Ada 2012

- Syntax similar to **case** statements
  - Lighter: no closing **end case**
  - Commas between choices
- Same general rules as *if expressions*
  - Parentheses required unless already present
  - Type of "result" must match context
- Advantage over *if expressions* is completeness checked by compiler
- Same as with **case** statements (unless **others** is used)

*-- compile error if not all days covered*

```
Hours : constant Integer :=  
  (case Day_of_Week is  
   when Mon .. Thurs => 9,  
   when Fri           => 4,  
   when Sat | Sun     => 0);
```

## Case Expression Example

```
Leap : constant Boolean :=  
    (Today.Year mod 4 = 0 and Today.Year mod 100 /= 0)  
    or else  
    (Today.Year mod 400 = 0);  
End_Of_Month : array (Months) of Days;  
...  
-- initialize array  
for M in Months loop  
    End_Of_Month (M) :=  
        (case M is  
            when Sep | Apr | Jun | Nov => 30,  
            when Feb => (if Leap then 29 else 28),  
            when others => 31);  
end loop;
```



# Quiz

```
function Sqrt (X : Float) return Float;  
F : Float;  
B : Boolean;
```

Which statement is illegal?

- ☐ A. `F := if X < 0.0 then Sqrt (-1.0 * X) else Sqrt (X);`
- ☐ B. `F := Sqrt( if X < 0.0 then -1.0 * X else X );`
- ☐ C. `B := (if X < 0.0 then Sqrt (-1.0 * X) < 10.0 else True);`
- ☐ D. `B := (if X < 0.0 then Sqrt (-1.0 * X) < 10.0);`

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- C. `B := (if X < 0.0 then Sqrt (-1.0 * X) < 10.0 else True);`
- D. `B := (if X < 0.0 then Sqrt (-1.0 * X) < 10.0);`

Explanations

- A. Missing parentheses around expression
- B. Legal - Expression is already enclosed in parentheses so you don't need to add more
- C. Legal - `else True` not needed but is allowed
- D. Legal - B will be True if `X >= 0.0`

## Lab

# Expressions Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Allow the user to fill a list with dates
- After the list is created, create functions to print True/False if ...
  - Any date is not legal (taking into account leap years!)
  - All dates are in the same calendar year
- Use *expression functions* for all validation routines

## ■ Hints

- Use subtype membership for range validation
- You will need *conditional expressions* in your functions
- You *can* use component-based iterations for some checks
  - But you *must* use indexed-based iterations for others

# Expressions Lab Solution - Checks

```

subtype Year_T is Positive range 1_900 .. 2_099;
subtype Month_T is Positive range 1 .. 12;
subtype Day_T is Positive range 1 .. 31;

type Date_T is record
  Year : Positive;
  Month : Positive;
  Day : Positive;
end record;

List : array (1 .. 5) of Date_T;
Item : Date_T;

function Is_Leap_Year (Year : Positive)
  return Boolean is
  (Year mod 400 = 0 or else (Year mod 4 = 0 and Year mod 100 /= 0));

function Days_In_Month (Month : Positive;
  Year : Positive)
  return Day_T is
  (case Month is when 4 | 6 | 9 | 11 => 30,
   when 2 => (if Is_Leap_Year (Year) then 29 else 28), when others => 31);

function Is_Valid (Date : Date_T)
  return Boolean is
  (Date.Year in Year_T and then Date.Month in Month_T
   and then Date.Day <= Days_In_Month (Date.Month, Date.Year));

function Any_Invalid return Boolean is
begin
  for Date of List loop
    if not Is_Valid (Date) then
      return True;
    end if;
  end loop;
  return False;
end Any_Invalid;

function Same_Year return Boolean is
begin
  for Index in List'range loop
    if List (Index).Year /= List (List'first).Year then
      return False;
    end if;
  end loop;
  return True;
end Same_Year;

```

# Expressions Lab Solution - Main

```
function Number (Prompt : String)
    return Positive is
begin
    Put (Prompt & "> ");
    return Positive'Value (Get_Line);
end Number;

begin

    for I in List'Range loop
        Item.Year  := Number ("Year");
        Item.Month := Number ("Month");
        Item.Day   := Number ("Day");
        List (I)   := Item;
    end loop;

    Put_Line ("Any invalid: " & Boolean'image (Any_Invalid));
    Put_Line ("Same Year: " & Boolean'image (Same_Year));

end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Conditional expressions are allowed wherever expressions are allowed, but beware over-use
  - Especially useful when a constant is intended
  - Especially useful when a static expression is required



# Overloading

## Introduction

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- *Overloading* is the use of an already existing name to define a **new** entity
- Historically, only done as part of the language **implementation**
  - Eg. on operators
  - Float vs integer vs pointers arithmetic
- Several languages allow **user-defined** overloading
  - C++
  - Python (limited to operators)
  - Haskell

# Visibility and Scope

- Overloading is **not** re-declaration
- Both entities **share** the name
  - No hiding
  - Compiler performs **name resolution**
- Allowed to be declared in the **same scope**
  - Remember this is forbidden for "usual" declarations

# Overloadable Entities In Ada

- Identifiers for subprograms
  - Both procedure and function names
- Identifiers for enumeration values (enumerals)
- Language-defined operators for functions

```
procedure Put (Str : in String);  
procedure Put (C : in Complex);  
function Max (Left, Right : Integer) return Integer;  
function Max (Left, Right : Float) return Float;  
function "+" (Left, Right : Rational) return Rational;  
function "+" (Left, Right : Complex) return Complex;  
function "*" (Left : Natural; Right : Character)  
    return String;
```

## Function Operator Overloading Example

```
-- User-defined overloading
function "+" (L,R : Complex) return Complex is
begin
    return (L.Real_Part + R.Real_Part,
            L.Imaginary + R.Imaginary);
end "+";

A, B, C : Complex;
I, J, K : Integer;

I := J + K; -- overloaded operator (predefined)
A := B + C; -- overloaded operator (user-defined)
```

# Benefits and Risk of Overloading

- Management of the name space
  - Support for abstraction
  - Linker will not simply take the first match and apply it globally
- Safe: compiler will reject ambiguous calls
- Sensible names are the programmer's job

```
function "+" ( L, R : Integer ) return String is
begin
    return Integer'Image ( L - R );
end "+";
```

## Enumerals and Operators



# Overloading Enumerals

- Each is treated as if a function name (identifier)
- Thus same rules as for function identifier overloading

```
type Stop_Light is (Red, Yellow, Green);
```

```
type Colors is (Red, Blue, Green);
```

```
Shade : Colors := Red;
```

```
Current_Value : Stop_Light := Red;
```

# Overloadable Operator Symbols

- Only those defined by the language already
  - Users cannot introduce new operator symbols
- Note that assignment ( $:=$ ) is not an operator
- Operators (in precedence order)

Logicals and, or, xor

Relationals  $<$ ,  $<=$ ,  $=$ ,  $>=$ ,  $>$

Unary  $+$ ,  $-$

Binary  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\&$

Multiplying  $*$ ,  $/$ , mod, rem

Highest precedence  $**$ , abs, not

# Parameters for Overloaded Operators

- Must not change syntax of calls
  - Number of parameters must remain same (unary, binary...)
  - No default expressions allowed for operators
- Infix calls use positional parameter associations
  - Left actual goes to first formal, right actual goes to second formal
  - Definition

```
function "*" (Left, Right : Integer) return Integer;
```

- Usage

```
X := 2 * 3;
```

- Named parameter associations allowed but ugly
  - Requires prefix notion for call

```
X := "*" ( Left => 2, Right => 3 );
```

## Call Resolution

# Call Resolution

- Compilers must reject ambiguous calls
- **Resolution** is based on the calling context
  - Compiler attempts to find a matching **profile**
  - Based on **Parameter** and **Result** Type
- Overloading is not re-definition, or hiding
  - More than one matching profile is ambiguous

```
type Complex is ...
```

```
function "+" (L, R : Complex) return Complex;
```

```
A, B : Complex := some_value;
```

```
C : Complex := A + B;
```

```
D : Real := A + B;  -- illegal!
```

```
E : Real := 1.0 + 2.0;
```

# Profile Components Used

- Significant components appear in the call itself
  - **Number** of parameters
  - **Order** of parameters
  - **Base type** of parameters
  - **Result** type (for functions)
- Insignificant components might not appear at call
  - Formal parameter **names** are optional
  - Formal parameter **modes** never appear
  - Formal parameter **subtypes** never appear
  - **Default** expressions never appear

```
Display (X);
```

```
Display (Foo => X);
```

```
Display (Foo => X, Bar => Y);
```

# Manually Disambiguating Calls

- Qualification can be used
- Named parameter association can be used
  - Unless name is ambiguous

```
type Stop_Light is (Red, Yellow, Green);  
type Colors is (Red, Blue, Green);  
procedure Put (Light : in Stop_Light);  
procedure Put (Shade : in Colors);
```

```
Put (Red);    -- ambiguous call  
Put (Yellow); -- not ambiguous: only 1 Yellow  
Put (Colors'(Red)); -- using type to distinguish  
Put (Light => Green); -- using profile to distinguish
```

# Overloading Example

```
type Position is
  record
    Row, Col : natural;
  end record;

type Offset is
  record
    Row, Col : integer;
  end record;

function "+" (Left : Position; Right : Offset)
  return Position is
begin
  return Position'( Left.Row + Right.Row, Left.Col + Right.Col);
end "+";

function Acceptable (P : Position) return Boolean;
type Positions is array (Moves range <>) of Position;

function Next (Current : Position) return Positions is
  Result : Positions (Moves range 1 .. 4);
  Count  : Moves := 0;
  Test   : Position;
begin
  for K in Offsets'Range loop
    Test := Current + Offsets(K);
    if Acceptable (Test) then
      Count := Count + 1;
      Result (Count) := Test;
    end if;
  end loop;
  return Result (1 .. Count);
end Next;
```



# Quiz

```
type Vertical_T is (Top, Middle, Bottom);  
type Horizontal_T is (Left, Middle, Right);  
function "*" (H : Horizontal_T; V : Vertical_T) return Positive;  
function "*" (V : Vertical_T; H : Horizontal_T) return Positive;  
P : Positive;
```

Which statement is not legal?

- ☒ A. P := Horizontal\_T'(Middle) \* Middle;
- ☐ B. P := Top \* Right;
- ☐ C. P := "\*" (Middle, Top);
- ☐ D. P := "\*" (H => Middle, V => Top);

# Quiz

```
type Vertical_T is (Top, Middle, Bottom);  
type Horizontal_T is (Left, Middle, Right);  
function "*" (H : Horizontal_T; V : Vertical_T) return Positive;  
function "*" (V : Vertical_T; H : Horizontal_T) return Positive;  
P : Positive;
```

Which statement is not legal?

- A. `P := Horizontal_T'(Middle) * Middle;`
- B. `P := Top * Right;`
- C. `P := "*" (Middle, Top);`
- D. `P := "*" (H => Middle, V => Top);`

Explanations

- A. Qualifying one parameter resolves ambiguity
- B. No overloaded names
- C. Use of Top resolves ambiguity
- D. When overloading subprogram names, best to not just switch the order of parameters

## User-Defined Equality

# User-Defined Equality

- Allowed like any other operator
  - Must remain a binary operator
- Typically declared as `return Boolean`
- Hard to do correctly for composed types
  - Especially **user-defined** types
  - Issue of *Composition of equality*

## Lab

# Overloading Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create multiple functions named "Convert" to convert between digits and text representation
  - One routine should take a digit and return the text version (e.g. **3** would return **three**)
  - One routine should take text and return the digit (e.g. **two** would return **2**)
- Query the user to enter text or a digit and print it's equivalent
- If the user enters consecutive entries that are equivalent, print a message
  - e.g. **4** followed by **four** should get the message

## ■ Hints

- You can use enumerals for the text representation
  - Then use *'image* / *'value* where needed
- Use an equivalence function to compare different types

# Overloading Lab Solution - Conversion Functions

```
type Digit_T is range 0 .. 9;
type Digit_Name_T is
  (Zero, One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine);

function Convert (Value : Digit_T) return Digit_Name_T;
function Convert (Value : Digit_Name_T) return Digit_T;
function Convert (Value : Character) return Digit_Name_T;
function Convert (Value : String) return Digit_T;

function "=" (L : Digit_Name_T; R : Digit_T) return Boolean is (Convert (L) = R);

function Convert (Value : Digit_T) return Digit_Name_T is
  (case Value is when 0 => Zero, when 1 => One,
    when 2 => Two, when 3 => Three,
    when 4 => Four, when 5 => Five,
    when 6 => Six, when 7 => Seven,
    when 8 => Eight, when 9 => Nine);

function Convert (Value : Digit_Name_T) return Digit_T is
  (case Value is when Zero => 0, when One => 1,
    when Two => 2, when Three => 3,
    when Four => 4, when Five => 5,
    when Six => 6, when Seven => 7,
    when Eight => 8, when Nine => 9);

function Convert (Value : Character) return Digit_Name_T is
  (case Value is when '0' => Zero, when '1' => One,
    when '2' => Two, when '3' => Three,
    when '4' => Four, when '5' => Five,
    when '6' => Six, when '7' => Seven,
    when '8' => Eight, when '9' => Nine,
    when others => Zero);

function Convert (Value : String) return Digit_T is
  (Convert (Digit_Name_T'Value (Value)));
```

# Overloading Lab Solution - Main

```
Last_Entry : Digit_T := 0;

begin
  loop
    Put ("Input: ");
    declare
      Str : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      exit when Str'Length = 0;
      if Str'First in '0' .. '9' then
        declare
          Converted : constant Digit_Name_T := Convert (Str (Str'First));
        begin
          Put (Digit_Name_T'Image (Converted));
          if Converted = Last_Entry then
            Put_Line (" - same as previous");
          else
            Last_Entry := Convert (Converted);
            New_Line;
          end if;
        end;
      else
        declare
          Converted : constant Digit_T := Convert (Str);
        begin
          Put (Digit_T'Image (Converted));
          if Converted = Last_Entry then
            Put_Line (" - same as previous");
          else
            Last_Entry := Converted;
            New_Line;
          end if;
        end;
      end if;
    end loop;
  end Main;
```



## Summary

# Summary

- Ada allows user-defined overloading
  - Identifiers and operator symbols
- Benefits easily outweigh danger of senseless names
  - Can have nonsensical names without overloading
- Compiler rejects ambiguous calls
- Resolution is based on the calling context
  - *Parameter and Result Type Profile*
- Calling context is those items present at point of call
  - Thus modes etc. don't affect overload resolution
- User-defined equality is allowed
  - But is tricky

## Library Units

## Introduction

# Modularity

- Ability to split large system into subsystems
- Each subsystem can have its own components
- And so on ...

## Library Units

# Library Units

- Those not nested within another program unit
- Candidates
  - Subprograms
  - Packages
  - Generic Units
  - Generic Instantiations
  - Renamings
- Restrictions
  - No library level tasks
    - They are always nested within another unit
  - No overloading at library level
  - No library level functions named as operators

# Library Units

```
package Operating_System is
  procedure Foo( ... );
  procedure Bar( ... );
  package Process_Manipulation is
    ...
  end Process_Manipulation;
  package File_System is
    ...
  end File_System;
end Operating_System;
```

- **Operating\_System** is library unit
- **Foo**, **Bar**, etc - not library units



## No 'Object' Library Items

```
package Library_Package is
...
end Library_Package;

-- Illegal: no such thing as "file scope"
Library_Object : Integer;

procedure Library_Procedure;

function Library_Function (Formal : in out Integer) is
    Local : Integer;
begin
    ...
end Library_Function;
```

## Declared Object "Lifetimes"

- Same as their enclosing declarative region
  - Objects are always declared within some declarative region
- No static etc. directives as in C
- Objects declared within any subprogram
  - Exist only while subprogram executes

```
procedure Library_Subprogram is
  X : Integer;
  Y : Float;
begin
  ...
end Library_Subprogram;
```

# Objects In Library Packages

- Exist as long as program executes (i.e., "forever")

```
package Named_Common is
```

```
  X : Integer;  -- valid object for life of application
```

```
  Y : Float;    -- valid object for life of application
```

```
end Named_Common;
```

## Objects In Non-library Packages

- Exist as long as region enclosing the package

```
procedure P is
```

```
  X : Integer; -- available while in P and Inner
```

```
  package Inner is
```

```
    Z : Boolean; -- available while in Inner
```

```
  end Inner;
```

```
  Y : Real; -- available while in P
```

```
begin
```

```
  ...
```

```
end P;
```

# Program "Lifetime"

- Run-time library is initialized
- All (any) library packages are elaborated
  - Declarations in package declarative part are elaborated
  - Declarations in package body declarative part are elaborated
  - Executable part of package body is executed (if present)
- Main program's declarative part is elaborated
- Main program's sequence of statements executes
- Program executes until all threads terminate
- All objects in library packages cease to exist
- Run-time library shuts down

# Library Unit Subprograms

- Recall: separate declarations are optional
  - Body can act as declaration if no declaration provided
- Separate declaration provides usual benefits
  - Changes/recompilation to body only require relinking clients
- File 1 (p.ads for GNAT)

```
procedure P (F : in Integer);
```

- File 2 (p.adb for GNAT)

```
procedure P (F : in Integer) is  
begin  
    ...  
end P;
```

# Library Unit Subprograms

- Specifications in declaration and body must conform

- Example

- Spec for P

```
procedure P (F : in integer);
```

- Body for P

```
procedure P (F : in float) is  
begin  
...  
end P;
```

- Declaration creates subprogram **P** in library

- Declaration exists so body does not act as declaration

- Compilation of file "p.adb" must fail

- New declaration with same name replaces old one

- Thus cannot overload library units

# Main Subprograms

- Must be library subprograms
- No special program unit name required
- Can be many per program library
- Always can be procedures
- Can be functions if implementation allows it
  - Execution environment must know how to handle result

```
with Ada.Text_IO;  
procedure Hello is  
begin  
    Ada.Text_IO.Put( "Hello World" );  
end Hello;
```



## Dependencies

## with Clauses

- Specify the library units that a compilation unit depends upon
  - The "context" in which the unit is compiled
- Syntax (simplified)

```
context_clause ::= { context_item }  
context_item  ::= with_clause | use_clause  
with_clause   ::= with library_unit_name  
                { , library_unit_name };
```

```
with Ada.Text_IO; -- dependency  
procedure Hello is  
begin  
    Ada.Text_IO.Put ("Hello World");  
end Hello;
```

# with Clauses Syntax

- Helps explain restrictions on library units
  - No overloaded library units
  - If overloading allowed, which **P** would **with** P; refer to?
  - No library unit functions names as operators
    - Mostly because of no overloading

# What To Import

- Need only name direct dependencies
  - Those actually referenced in the corresponding unit
- Will not cause compilation of referenced units
  - Unlike "include directives" of some languages

```
package A is
  type Something is ...
end A;

with A;
package B is
  type Something is record
    Field : A.Something;
  end record;
end B;

with B; -- no "with" of A
procedure Foo is
  X : B.Something;
begin
  X.Field := ...
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Library Units are "standalone" entities
  - Can contain subunits with similar structure
- **with** clauses interconnect library units
  - Express dependencies of the one being compiled
  - Not textual inclusion!

# Packages

## Introduction



# Packages

- Enforce separation of client from implementation
  - In terms of compile-time visibility
  - For data
  - For type representation, when combined with **private** types
    - Abstract Data Types
- Provide basic namespace control
- Directly support software engineering principles
  - Especially in combination with **private** types
  - Modularity
  - Information Hiding (Encapsulation)
  - Abstraction
  - Separation of Concerns

# Separating Interface and Implementation

- *Implementation* and *specification* are textually distinct from each other
  - Typically in separate files
- Clients can compile their code before body exists
  - All they need is the package specification
  - Full client/interface consistency is guaranteed

```
package Float_Stack is
  Max : constant := 100;
  procedure Push (X : in Float);
  procedure Pop (X : out Float);
end Float_Stack;
```

# Uncontrolled Visibility Problem

- Clients have too much access to representation
  - Data
  - Type representation
- Changes force clients to recode and retest
- Manual enforcement is not sufficient
- Why fixing bugs introduces new bugs!

# Basic Syntax and Nomenclature

```
package_declaration ::= package_specification;
```

## ■ Spec

```
package_specification ::=  
    package name is  
        {basic_declarative_item}  
    end [name];
```

## ■ Body

```
package_body ::=  
    package body name is  
        declarative_part  
    end [name];
```

## Declarations

# Package Declarations

- Required in all cases
  - Cannot have a package without the declaration
- Describe the client's interface
  - Declarations are exported to clients
  - Effectively the "pin-outs" for the black-box
- When changed, requires clients recompilation
  - The "pin-outs" have changed

```
package Float_Stack is
  Max : constant := 100;
  procedure Push (X : in Float);
  procedure Pop (X : out Float);
end Float_Stack;
```

```
package Data is
  Object : integer;
end Data;
```

# Compile-Time Visibility Control

- Items in the declaration are visible to users

```
package name is  
    -- exported declarations of  
    -- types, variables, subprograms ...  
end name;
```

- Items in the body are never externally visible
  - Compiler prevents external references

```
package body name is  
    -- hidden declarations of  
    -- types, variables, subprograms ...  
    -- implementations of exported subprograms etc.  
end name;
```

## Example of Exporting To Clients

- Variables, types, exception, subprograms, etc.
  - The primary reason for separate subprogram declarations

```
package P is
    procedure This_Is_Exported;
end P;

package body P is
    procedure Not_Exported is
        ...
    procedure This_Is_Exported is
        ...
end P;
```



# Referencing Exported Items

- Achieved via "dot notation"
- Package Specification

```
package Float_Stack is
  Max : constant := 100;
  procedure Push (X : in Float);
  procedure Pop (X : out Float);
end Float_Stack;
```

- Package Reference

```
with Float_Stack;
procedure Test is
  X : Float;
begin
  Float_Stack.Pop (X);
  Float_Stack.Push (12.0);
  if Count < Float_Stack.Max then ...
```

## Bodies

# Package Bodies

- Dependent on corresponding package specification
  - Obsolete if specification changed
- Clients need only to relink if body changed
  - Any code that would require editing would not have compiled in the first place
- Necessary for specifications that require a completion, for example:
  - Subprogram bodies
  - Task bodies
  - Incomplete types in `private` part
  - Others...

# Bodies Are Never Optional

- Either required for a given spec or not allowed at all
  - Based on declarations in that spec
- A change from Ada 83
- A (nasty) justification example will be shown later

## Example Spec That Cannot Have A Body

```
package Graphics_Primitives is
  type Real is digits 12;
  type Device_Coordinates is record
    X, Y : Integer;
  end record;
  type Normalized_Coordinates is record
    X, Y : Real range 0.0 .. 1.0;
  end record;
  type Offset is record
    X, Y : Real range -1.0 .. 1.0;
  end record;
  -- nothing to implement, so no body allowed
end Graphics_Primitives;
```

## Example Spec Requiring A Package Body

```
package VT100 is
  subtype Rows is Integer range 1 .. 24;
  subtype Columns is Integer range 1 .. 80;
  type Position is record
    Row : Rows := Rows'First;
    Col : Columns := Columns'First;
  end record;
  -- The following need to be defined in the body
  procedure Move_Cursor (To : in Position);
  procedure Home;
  procedure Clear_Screen;
  procedure Cursor_Up (Count : in Positive := 1);
end VT100;
```

# Required Body Example

```
package body VT100 is
  -- This function is not visible outside this package
  function Unsigned (Input : Integer) return String is
    Str : constant String := Integer'Image (Input);
  begin
    return Str (2 .. Str'length);
  end Unsigned;
  procedure Move_Cursor (To : in Position) is
  begin
    Text_IO.Put (ASCII.Esc & 'I' &
                  Unsigned(To.Row) & ';' &
                  Unsigned(To.Col) & 'H');
  end Move_Cursor;
  procedure Home is
  begin
    Text_IO.Put (ASCII.Esc & "iH");
  end Home;
  procedure Cursor_Up (Count : in Positive := 1) is ...
    ...
end VT100;
```

# Quiz

```
package P is
  Object_One : Integer;
  procedure One (P : out Integer);
end P;
```

Which completion(s) is(are) correct for `package P`?

- ☐ A. No completion is needed
- ☐ B. package body P is  
    procedure One (P : out Integer) is null;  
end P;
- ☒ C. package body P is  
    Object\_One : Integer;  
    procedure One (P : out Integer) is  
    begin  
        P := Object\_One;  
    end One;  
end P;
- ☐ D. package body P is  
    procedure One (P : out Integer) is  
    begin  
        P := Object\_One;  
    end One;  
end P;



# Quiz

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- ☐ B. 

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package body P is
  procedure One (P : out Integer) is null;
end P;
```
- ☐ C. 

```
package body P is
  Object_One : Integer;
  procedure One (P : out Integer) is
  begin
    P := Object_One;
  end One;
end P;
```
- ☐ D. 

```
package body P is
  procedure One (P : out Integer) is
  begin
    P := Object_One;
  end One;
end P;
```
- ☐ A. Procedure One must have a body
- ☐ B. Parameter P is `out` but not assigned
- ☐ C. Redeclaration of Object\_One

## Executable Parts

## Optional Executable Part

```
package_body ::=  
    package body name is  
        declarative_part  
    [ begin  
        handled_sequence_of_statements ]  
end [ name ];
```

# Executable Part Semantics

- Executed only once, when package is elaborated
- Ideal when statements are required for initialization
  - Otherwise initial values in variable declarations would suffice

```
package body Random is
  Seed1, Seed2 : Integer;
  Call_Count : Natural := 0;
  procedure Initialize (Seed1 : out Integer;
                       Seed2 : out Integer) is ...
  function Number return Real is ...
begin -- Random
  Initialize (Seed1, Seed2);
end Random;
```

## Requiring/Rejecting Bodies Justification

- Consider the alternative: an optional package body that becomes obsolete prior to building
- Builder could silently choose not to include the package in executable
  - Package executable part might do critical initialization!

```
package P is
    Data : array (L .. U) of
        Integer;
end P;

package body P is
    ...
begin
    for K in Data'Range loop
        Data(K) := ...
    end loop;
end P;
```

## Forcing A Package Body To be Required

- Use

- `pragma Elaborate_Body`

- Says to elaborate body immediately after spec
  - Hence there must be a body!

- Additional pragmas we will examine later

```
package P is
    pragma Elaborate_Body;
    Data : array (L .. U) of
        Integer;
end P;
```

```
package body P is
    ...
begin
    for K in Data'Range loop
        Data(K) := ...
    end loop;
end P;
```

## Idioms

## Named Collection of Declarations (1/2)

- Exports:
  - Objects (constants and variables)
  - Types
  - Exceptions
- Does not export operations

```
package Physical_Constants is
  Polar_Radius    : constant := 20_856_010.51;
  Equatorial_Radius : constant := 20_926_469.20;
  Earth_Diameter  : constant := 2.0 *
    ((Polar_Radius + Equatorial_Radius)/2.0);
  Sea_Level_Air_Density : constant := 0.002378;
  Altitude_Of_Tropopause : constant := 36089.0;
  Tropopause_Temperature_in_celsius : constant := -56.5;
end Physical_Constants;
```



## Named Collection of Declarations (2/2)

- Effectively application global data

```
package Equations_of_Motion is  
  Longitudinal_Velocity : Real := 0.0;  
  Longitudinal_Acceleration : Real := 0.0;  
  Lateral_Velocity : Real := 0.0;  
  Lateral_Acceleration : Real := 0.0;  
  Vertical_Velocity : Real:= 0.0;  
  Vertical_Acceleration : Real:= 0.0;  
  Pitch_Attitude : Real:= 0.0;  
  Pitch_Rate : Real:= 0.0;  
  Pitch_Acceleration : Real:= 0.0;  
end Equations_of_Motion;
```

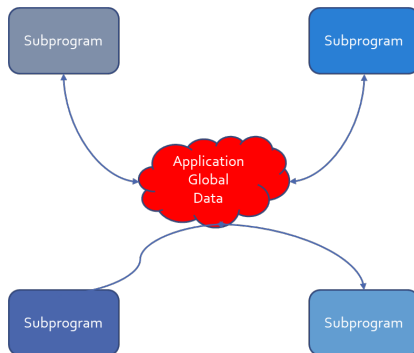
## Group of Related Program Units

- Exports:
  - Objects
  - Types
  - Values
  - Operations
- Users have full access to type representations
  - This visibility may be necessary

```
package Linear_Algebra is
  type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Real;
  function "+" (L,R : Vector) return Vector;
  function "*" (L,R : Vector) return Vector;
  ...
end Linear_Algebra;
```

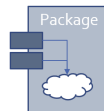
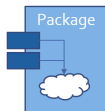
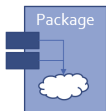
# Uncontrolled Data Visibility Problem

- Effects of changes are potentially pervasive so one must understand everything before changing anything



# Controlling Data Visibility Using Packages

- Divides global data into separate package bodies
- Visible only to procedures and functions declared in those same packages
  - Clients can only call these visible routines
- Global change effects are much less likely
  - Direct breakage is impossible



# Abstract Data Machines

- Exports:
  - Operations
  - State information queries (optional)
- No direct user access to data

```
package Float_Stack is
  Max : constant := 100;
  procedure Push (X : in Float);
  procedure Pop (X : out Float);
end Float_Stack;

package body Float_Stack is
  type Contents is array (1 .. Max) of Float;
  Values : Contents;
  Top : Integer range 0 .. Max := 0;
  procedure Push (X : in Float) is ...
  procedure Pop (X : out Float) is ...
end Float_Stack;
```

# Controlling Type Representation Visibility

- In other words, support for Abstract Data Types
  - No operations visible to clients based on representation
- The fundamental concept for Ada
- Requires **private** types discussed in coming section...

## Lab

# Packages Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a program to add and remove integer values from a list
- Program should allow user to do the following as many times as desired
  - Add an integer in a pre-defined range to the list
  - Remove all occurrences of an integer from the list
  - Print the values in the list

## ■ Hints

- Create (at least) three packages
  - 1 minimum/maximum integer values and maximum number of items in list
  - 2 User input (ensure value is in range)
  - 3 List ADT
- Remember: `with package_name;` gives access to `package_name`



# Creating Packages in GNAT STUDIO

- Right-click on the source directory node
  - If you used a prompt, the directory is probably .
  - If you used the wizard, the directory is probably **src**
- **New** → **Ada Package**
  - Fill in name of Ada package
  - Check the box if you want to create the package body in addition to the package spec

# Packages Lab Solution - Constants

```
package Constants is
```

```
    Lowest_Value  : constant := 100;
```

```
    Highest_Value : constant := 999;
```

```
    Maximum_Count : constant := 10;
```

```
    subtype Integer_T is Integer
```

```
        range Lowest_Value .. Highest_Value;
```

```
end Constants;
```

# Packages Lab Solution - Input

```
with Constants;
package Input is
    function Get_Value (Prompt : String) return Constants.Integer_T;
end Input;

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
package body Input is

    function Get_Value (Prompt : String) return Constants.Integer_T is
        Ret_Val : Integer;
    begin
        Put (Prompt & "> ");
        loop
            Ret_Val := Integer'Value (Get_Line);
            exit when Ret_Val >= Constants.Lowest_Value
                and then Ret_Val <= Constants.Highest_Value;
            Put ("Invalid. Try Again >");
        end loop;
        return Ret_Val;
    end Get_Value;

end Input;
```

# Packages Lab Solution - List

```

package List is
  procedure Add (Value : Integer);
  procedure Remove (Value : Integer);
  function Length return Natural;
  procedure Print;
end List;

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Constants;
package body List is
  Content : array (1 .. Constants.Maximum_Count) of Integer;
  Last : Natural := 0;

  procedure Add (Value : Integer) is
  begin
    if Last < Content'Last then
      Last := Last + 1;
      Content (Last) := Value;
    else
      Put_Line ("Full");
    end if;
  end Add;

  procedure Remove (Value : Integer) is
    I : Natural := 1;
  begin
    while I <= Last loop
      if Content (I) = Value then
        Content (I .. Last - 1) := Content (I + 1 .. Last);
        Last := Last - 1;
      else
        I := I + 1;
      end if;
    end loop;
  end Remove;

  procedure Print is
  begin
    for I in 1 .. Last loop
      Put_Line (Integer'Image (Content (I)));
    end loop;
  end Print;

  function Length return Natural is ( Last );
end List;

```

# Packages Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Input;
with List;
procedure Main is

begin

  loop
    Put ("(A)dd | (R)emove | (P)rint | Q(uit) : ");
    declare
      Str : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      exit when Str'Length = 0;
      case Str(Str'First) is
        when 'A' =>
          List.Add (Input.Get_Value ("Value to add"));
        when 'R' =>
          List.Remove (Input.Get_Value ("Value to remove"));
        when 'P' =>
          List.Print;
        when 'Q' =>
          exit;
        when others =>
          Put_Line ("Illegal entry");
      end case;
    end;
  end loop;

end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Emphasizes separations of concerns
- Solves the global visibility problem
  - Only those items in the specification are exported
- Enforces software engineering principles
  - Information hiding
  - Abstraction
- Implementation can't be corrupted by clients
  - Compiler won't let clients compile references to internals
- Bugs must be in the implementation, not clients
  - Only body implementation code has to be understood

## Private Types



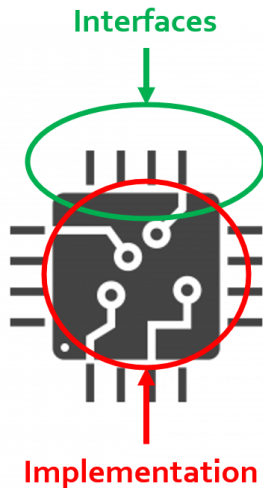
## Introduction

# Introduction

- Why does fixing bugs introduce new ones?
- Control over visibility is a primary factor
  - Changes to an abstraction's internals shouldn't break users
  - Including type representation
- Need tool-enforced rules to isolate dependencies
  - Between implementations of abstractions and their users
  - In other words, "information hiding"

# Information Hiding

- A design technique in which implementation artifacts are made inaccessible to users
- Based on control of visibility to those artifacts
  - A product of "encapsulation"
  - Language support provides rigor
- Concept is "software integrated circuits"



# Views

- Specify legal manipulation for objects of a type
  - Types are characterized by permitted values and operations
- Some views are implicit in language
  - Mode `in` parameters have a view disallowing assignment
- Views may be explicitly specified
  - Disallowing access to representation
  - Disallowing assignment
- Purpose: control usage in accordance with design
  - Adherence to interface
  - Abstract Data Types

## Implementing Abstract Data Types via Views

# Implementing Abstract Data Types

- A combination of constructs in Ada
- Not based on single "class" construct, for example
- Constituent parts
  - Packages, with "private part" of package spec
  - "Private types" declared in packages
  - Subprograms declared within those packages

## Package Visible and Private Parts for Views

- Declarations in visible part are exported to users
- Declarations in private part are hidden from users
  - No compilable references to type's actual representation

```
package name is
... exported declarations of types, variables, subprograms .
private
... hidden declarations of types, variables, subprograms ...
end name;
```

# Declaring Private Types for Views

- Partial syntax

```
type defining_identifier is private;
```

- Private type declaration must occur in visible part

- *Partial view*

- Only partial information on the type

- Users can reference the type name

- Full type declaration must appear in private part

- Completion is the *Full view*

- **Never** visible to users

- **Not** visible to designer until reached

```
package Control is
  type Valve is private;
  procedure Open (V : in out Valve);
  procedure Close (V : in out Valve);
  ...
private
  type Valve is ...
end Control;
```



# Partial and Full Views of Types

- Private type declaration defines a *partial view*
  - The type name is visible
  - Only designer's operations and some predefined operations
  - No references to full type representation
- Full type declaration defines the *full view*
  - Fully defined as a record type, scalar, imported type, etc...
  - Just an ordinary type within the package
- Operations available depend upon one's view

# Software Engineering Principles

- Encapsulation and abstraction enforced by views
  - Compiler enforces view effects
- Same protection as hiding in a package body
  - Recall "Abstract Data Machines" idiom
- Additional flexibility of types
  - Unlimited number of objects possible
  - Passed as parameters
  - Components of array and record types
  - Dynamically allocated
  - et cetera

## Users Declare Objects of the Type

- Unlike "abstract data machine" approach
- Hence must specify which stack to manipulate
  - Via parameter

```
X, Y, Z : Stack;  
...  
Push ( 42, X );  
...  
if Empty ( Y ) then  
...  
Pop ( Counter, Z );
```

# Compile-Time Visibility Protection

- No type representation details available outside the package
- Therefore users cannot compile code referencing representation
- This does not compile

```
with Bounded_Stacks;  
procedure User is  
  S : Bounded_Stacks.Stack;  
begin  
  S.Top := 1;  -- Top is not visible  
end User;
```

# Benefits of Views

- Users depend only on visible part of specification
  - Impossible for users to compile references to private part
  - Physically seeing private part in source code is irrelevant
- Changes to implementation don't affect users
  - No editing changes necessary for user code
- Implementers can create bullet-proof abstractions
  - If a facility isn't working, you know where to look
- Fixing bugs is less likely to introduce new ones

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Private_T is private;

  type Record_T is record
```

Which component is legal?

- ☒ A. `Field_A : integer := Private_T'Pos  
 (Private_T'First);`
- ☐ B. `Field_B : Private_T := null;`
- ☐ C. `Field_C : Private_T := 0;`
- ☐ D. `Field_D : integer := Private_T'Size;  
 end record;`

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- ☒ D. `Field_D : integer := Private_T'Size;`  
`end record;`

Explanations

- ☐ A. Visible part does not know `Private_T` is discrete
- ☐ B. Visible part does not know possible values for `Private_T`
- ☐ C. Visible part does not know possible values for `Private_T`
- ☒ D. Correct - type will have a known size at run-time

## Private Part Construction



# Private Part Location

- Must be in package specification, not body
- Body usually compiled separately after declaration
- Users can compile their code before the package body is compiled or even written

- Package definition

```
package Bounded_Stacks is
  type Stack is private;
  ...
private
  type Stack is ...
end Bounded_Stacks;
```

- Package reference

```
with Bounded_Stacks;
procedure User is
  S : Bounded_Stacks.Stack;
  ...
begin
  ...
end User;
```

# Private Part and Recompile

- Private part is part of the specification
  - Compiler needs info from private part for users' code, e.g., storage layouts for private-typed objects
- Thus changes to private part require user recompilation
- Some vendors avoid "unnecessary" recompilation
  - Comment additions or changes
  - Additions which nobody yet references

# Declarative Regions

- Declarative region of the spec extends to the body
  - Anything declared there is visible from that point down
  - Thus anything declared in specification is visible in body

```
package Foo is
  type Private_T is private;
  procedure X ( B : in out Private_T );
private
  -- Y and Hidden_T are not visible to users
  procedure Y ( B : in out Private_T );
  type Hidden_T is ...;
  type Private_T is array ( 1 .. 3 ) of Hidden_T;
end Foo;
```

```
package body Foo is
  -- Z is not visible to users
  procedure Z ( B : in out Private_T ) is ...
  procedure Y ( B : in out Private_T ) is ...
  procedure X ( B : in out Private_T ) is ...
end Foo;
```

# Full Type Declaration

- May be any type
  - Predefined or user-defined
  - Including references to imported types
- Contents of private part are unrestricted
  - Anything a package specification may contain
  - Types, subprograms, variables, etc.

```
package P is
    type T is private;
    ...
private
    type List is array (1.. 10)
        of Integer;
    function Initial
        return List;
    type T is record
        A, B : List := Initial;
    end record;
end P;
```

# Deferred Constants

- Visible constants of a hidden representation
  - Value is "deferred" to private part
  - Value must be provided in private part
- Not just for private types, but usually so

```
package P is
  type Set is private;
  Null_Set : constant Set; -- exported name
  ...
private
  type Index is range ...
  type Set is array (Index) of Boolean;
  Null_Set : constant Set := -- definition
    (others => False);
end P;
```

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Private_T is private;
  Object_A : Private_T;
  procedure Proc ( Param : in out Private_T );
private
  type Private_T is new integer;
  Object_B : Private_T;
end package P;

package body P is
  Object_C : Private_T;
  procedure Proc ( Param : in out Private_T ) is null;
end P;
```

Which object definition is illegal?

- ☐ A. Object\_A
- ☐ B. Object\_B
- ☐ C. Object\_C
- ☐ D. None of the above

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Private_T is private;
  Object_A : Private_T;
  procedure Proc ( Param : in out Private_T );
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  type Private_T is new integer;
  Object_B : Private_T;
end package P;

package body P is
  Object_C : Private_T;
  procedure Proc ( Param : in out Private_T ) is null;
end P;
```

Which object definition is illegal?

- ☒ A. *Object\_A*
- ☐ B. Object\_B
- ☐ C. Object\_C
- ☐ D. None of the above

An object cannot be declared until its type is fully declared. `Object_A` could be declared constant, but then it would have to be finalized in the `private` section.

## View Operations



# View Operations

- A matter of inside versus outside the package
  - Inside the package the view is that of the designer
  - Outside the package the view is that of the user
- **User** of package has **Partial** view
  - Operations exported by package
  - Basic operations
- **Designer** of package has **Full** view
  - **Once** completion is reached
  - All operations based upon full definition of type
  - Indexed components for arrays
  - components for records
  - Type-specific attributes
  - Numeric manipulation for numerics
  - et cetera

## Designer View Sees Full Declaration

```
package Bounded_Stacks is
  Capacity : constant := 100;
  type Stack is private;
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer; Onto : in out Stack);
  ...
private
  type Index is range 0 .. Capacity;
  type List is array (Index range 1..Capacity) of Integer;
  type Stack is record
    Top : Integer;
    ...
  end Bounded_Stacks;
```

## Designer View Allows All Operations

```
package body Bounded_Stacks is
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer;
                  Onto : in out Stack) is
  begin
    Onto.Top := Onto.Top + 1;
    ...
  end Push;

  procedure Pop (Item : out Integer;
                 From : in out Stack) is
  begin
    Onto.Top := Onto.Top - 1;
    ...
  end Pop;
end Bounded_Stacks;
```

## Users Have the Partial View

- Since they are outside package
- Basic operations
- Exported subprograms

```
package Bounded_Stacks is
  type Stack is private;
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer; Onto : in out Stack);
  procedure Pop (Item : out Integer; From : in out Stack);
  function Empty (S : Stack) return Boolean;
  procedure Clear (S : in out Stack);
  function Top (S : Stack) return Integer;
private
  ...
end Bounded_Stacks;
```

# User View's Activities

- Declarations of objects
  - Constants and variables
  - Must call designer's functions for values

```
C : Complex.Number := Complex.I;
```

- Assignment, equality and inequality, conversions
- Designer's declared subprograms
- User-declared subprograms
  - Using parameters of the exported private type
  - Dependent on designer's operations

## User View Formal Parameters

- Dependent on designer's operations for manipulation
  - Cannot reference type's representation
- Can have default expressions of private types

*-- external implementation of "Top"*

```
procedure Get_Top (  
    The_Stack : in out Bounded_Stacks.Stack;  
    Value : out Integer) is  
    Local : Integer;  
begin  
    Bounded_Stacks.Pop (Local, The_Stack);  
    Value := Local;  
    Bounded_Stacks.Push (Local, The_Stack);  
end Get_Top;
```

# Private Limited

- **limited** is itself a view
  - Cannot perform assignment, copy, or equality
- **private limited** can restrain user's operation
  - Actual type **does not** need to be **limited**

```
package UART is
    type Instance is private limited;
    function Get_Next_Available return Instance;
[...]
```

```
declare
    A, B := UART.Get_Next_Available;
begin
    if A = B -- Illegal
    then
        A := B; -- Illegal
    end if;
```

## When To Use or Avoid Private Types



# When To Use Private Types

- Implementation may change
  - Allows users to be unaffected by changes in representation
- Normally available operations do not "make sense"
  - Normally available based upon type's representation
  - Determined by intent of ADT

```
A : Valve;
```

```
B : Valve;
```

```
C : Valve;
```

```
...
```

```
C := A + B;  -- addition not meaningful
```

- Users have no "need to know"
  - Based upon expected usage

## When To Avoid Private Types

- If the abstraction is too simple to justify the effort
  - But that's the thinking that led to Y2K rework
- If normal user interface requires representation-specific operations that cannot be provided
  - Those that cannot be redefined by programmers
  - Would otherwise be hidden by a private type
  - If **Vector** is private, indexing of elements is annoying

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Real;  
V : Vector (1 .. 3);  
...  
V (1) := Alpha;
```

## Idioms

# Effects of Hiding Type Representation

- Makes users independent of representation
  - Changes cannot require users to alter their code
  - Software engineering is all about money...
- Makes users dependent upon exported operations
  - Because operations requiring representation info are not available to users
    - Expression of values (aggregates, etc.)
    - Assignment for limited types
- Common idioms are a result
  - *Constructor*
  - *Selector*

# Constructors

- Create designer's objects from user's values
- Usually functions

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  function Make (Real_Part : Float; Imaginary : Float) return Number;
private
  type Number is record ...
end Complex;

package body Complex is
  function Make (Real_Part : Float; Imaginary_Part : Float)
    return Number is ...
end Complex;

...

A : Complex.Number :=
  Complex.Make (Real_Part => 2.5, Imaginary => 1.0);
```

# Procedures As Constructors

## ■ Spec

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  procedure Make (This : out Number;  Real_Part, Imaginary : in Float) ;
  ...
private
  type Number is record
    Real_Part, Imaginary : Float;
  end record;
end Complex;
```

## ■ Body (partial)

```
package body Complex is
  procedure Make (This : out Number;
                  Real_Part, Imaginary : in Float) is
  begin
    This.Real_Part := Real_Part;
    This.Imaginary := Imaginary;
  end Make;
  ...
```

# Selectors

- Decompose designer's objects into user's values
- Usually functions

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  function Real_Part (This: Number) return Float;
  ...
private
  type Number is record
    Real_Part, Imaginary : Float;
  end record;
end Complex;

package body Complex is
  function Real_Part (This : Number) return Float is
  begin
    return This.Real_Part;
  end Real_Part;
  ...
end Complex;

...
Phase : Complex.Number := Complex.Make (10.0, 5.5);
Object : Float := Complex.Real_Part (Phase);
```

## Lab



# Private Types Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Implement a program to create a map such that
  - Map key is a description of a flag
  - Map element content is the set of colors in the flag
- Operations on the map should include: Add, Remove, Modify, Get, Exists, Image
- Main program should print out the entire map before exiting

## ■ Hints

- Should implement a **map** ADT (to keep track of the flags)
  - This **map** will contain all the flags and their color descriptions
- Should implement a **set** ADT (to keep track of the colors)
  - This **set** will be the description of the map element
- Each ADT should be its own package
- At a minimum, the **map** and **set** type should be **private**

# Private Types Lab Solution - Color Set

```

package Colors is
  type Color_T is (Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Black);
  type Color_Set_T is private;

  Empty_Set : constant Color_Set_T;

  procedure Add (Set : in out Color_Set_T;
                Color : Color_T);
  procedure Remove (Set : in out Color_Set_T;
                   Color : Color_T);
  function Image (Set : Color_Set_T) return String;
private
  type Color_Set_Array_T is array (Color_T) of Boolean;
  type Color_Set_T is record
    Values : Color_Set_Array_T := (others => False);
  end record;
  Empty_Set : constant Color_Set_T := (Values => (others => False));
end Colors;

package body Colors is
  procedure Add (Set : in out Color_Set_T;
                Color : Color_T) is
  begin
    Set.Values (Color) := True;
  end Add;
  procedure Remove (Set : in out Color_Set_T;
                   Color : Color_T) is
  begin
    Set.Values (Color) := False;
  end Remove;

  function Image (Set : Color_Set_T;
                 First : Color_T;
                 Last : Color_T)
    return String is
    Str : constant String := (if Set.Values (First) then Color_T'Image (First) else "");
  begin
    if First = Last then
      return Str;
    else
      return Str & " " & Image (Set, Color_T'Succ (First), Last);
    end if;
  end Image;
  function Image (Set : Color_Set_T) return String is
    ( Image (Set, Color_T'First, Color_T'Last) );
end Colors;

```

# Private Types Lab Solution - Flag Map (Spec)

```
with Colors;
package Flags is
  type Key_T is (USA, England, France, Italy);
  type Map_Element_T is private;
  type Map_T is private;

  procedure Add (Map      : in out Map_T;
                 Key       : Key_T;
                 Description : Colors.Color_Set_T;
                 Success    : out Boolean);
  procedure Remove (Map : in out Map_T;
                   Key   : Key_T;
                   Success : out Boolean);
  procedure Modify (Map : in out Map_T;
                   Key   : Key_T;
                   Description : Colors.Color_Set_T;
                   Success  : out Boolean);

  function Exists (Map : Map_T; Key : Key_T) return Boolean;
  function Get (Map : Map_T; Key : Key_T) return Map_Element_T;
  function Image (Item : Map_Element_T) return String;
  function Image (Flag : Map_T) return String;
private
  type Map_Element_T is record
    Key       : Key_T := Key_T'First;
    Description : Colors.Color_Set_T := Colors.Empty_Set;
  end record;
  type Map_Array_T is array (1 .. 100) of Map_Element_T;
  type Map_T is record
    Values : Map_Array_T;
    Length : Natural := 0;
  end record;
end Flags;
```

# Private Types Lab Solution - Flag Map (Body - 1 of 2)

```
procedure Add (Map           : in out Map_T;  
              Key           : Key_T;  
              Description    : Colors.Color_Set_T;  
              Success       : out Boolean) is  
begin  
  Success := (for all Item of Map.Values  
              (1 .. Map.Length) => Item.Key /= Key);  
  if Success then  
    declare  
      New_Item : constant Map_Element_T :=  
        (Key => Key, Description => Description);  
    begin  
      Map.Length      := Map.Length + 1;  
      Map.Values (Map.Length) := New_Item;  
    end;  
  end if;  
end Add;  
procedure Remove (Map       : in out Map_T;  
                 Key        : Key_T;  
                 Success    : out Boolean) is  
begin  
  Success := False;  
  for I in 1 .. Map.Length loop  
    if Map.Values (I).Key = Key then  
      Map.Values  
        (I .. Map.Length - 1) := Map.Values  
          (I + 1 .. Map.Length);  
      Map.Length := Map.Length - 1;  
      Success := True;  
      exit;  
    end if;  
  end loop;  
end Remove;
```

# Private Types Lab Solution - Flag Map (Body - 2 of 2)

```

procedure Modify (Map           : in out Map_T;
                  Key           : Key_T;
                  Description    : Colors.Color_Set_T;
                  Success       : out Boolean) is
begin
    Success := False;
    for I in 1 .. Map.Length loop
        if Map.Values (I).Key = Key then
            Map.Values (I).Description := Description;
            Success := True;
            exit;
        end if;
    end loop;
end Modify;

function Exists (Map : Map_T; Key : Key_T) return Boolean is
    (for some Item of Map.Values (1 .. Map.Length) => Item.Key = Key);

function Get (Map : Map_T; Key : Key_T) return Map_Element_T is
    Ret_Val : Map_Element_T;
begin
    for I in 1 .. Map.Length loop
        if Map.Values (I).Key = Key then
            Ret_Val := Map.Values (I);
            exit;
        end if;
    end loop;
    return Ret_Val;
end Get;

function Image (Item : Map_Element_T) return String is
    (Key_T'Image (Item.Key) & " => " & Colors.Image (Item.Description));

function Image (Flag : Map_T) return String is
    Ret_Val : String (1 .. 1_000);
    Next    : Integer := Ret_Val'First;
begin
    for Item of Flag.Values (1 .. Flag.Length) loop
        declare
            Str : constant String := Image (Item);
        begin
            Ret_Val (Next .. Next + Str'Length) := Image (Item) & ASCII.LF;
            Next := Next + Str'Length + 1;
        end;
    end loop;
    return Ret_Val (1 .. Next - 1);
end Image;

```

# Private Types Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Colors;
with Flags;
with Input;
procedure Main is
  Map : Flags.Map_T;
begin
  loop
    Put ("Enter country name (");
    for Key in Flags.Key_T loop
      Put (Flags.Key_T'Image (Key) & " ");
    end loop;
    Put ("): ");
    declare
      Str      : constant String := Get_Line;
      Key      : Flags.Key_T;
      Description : Colors.Color_Set_T;
      Success   : Boolean;
    begin
      exit when Str'Length = 0;
      Key      := Flags.Key_T'Value (Str);
      Description := Input.Get;
      if Flags.Exists (Map, Key) then
        Flags.Modify (Map, Key, Description, Success);
      else
        Flags.Add (Map, Key, Description, Success);
      end if;
    end;
  end loop;

  Put_Line (Flags.Image (Map));
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Tool-enforced support for Abstract Data Types
  - Same protection as Abstract Data Machine idiom
  - Capabilities and flexibility of types
- May also be **limited**
  - Thus additionally no assignment or predefined equality
  - More on this later
- Common interface design idioms have arisen
  - Resulting from representation independence
- Assume private types as initial design choice
  - Change is inevitable



## Limited Types

## Introduction

# Views

- Specify how values and objects may be manipulated
- Are implicit in much of the language semantics
  - Constants are just variables without any assignment view
  - Task types, protected types implicitly disallow assignment
  - Mode **in** formal parameters disallow assignment

```
Variable : Integer := 0;  
...  
-- P's view of X prevents modification  
procedure P( X : in Integer ) is  
begin  
    ...  
end P;  
...  
P( Variable );
```

# Limited Type Views' Semantics

- Prevents copying via predefined assignment
  - Disallows assignment between objects
  - Must make your own **copy** procedure if needed

```
type File is limited ...  
...  
F1, F2 : File;  
...  
F1 := F2; -- compile error
```

- Prevents incorrect comparison semantics
  - Disallows predefined equality operator
  - Make your own equality function = if needed

# Inappropriate Copying Example

```
type File is ...
```

```
F1, F2 : File;
```

```
...
```

```
Open (F1);
```

```
Write ( F1, "Hello" );
```

```
-- What is this assignment really trying to do?
```

```
F2 := F1;
```

# Intended Effects of Copying

```
type File is ...  
F1, F2 : File;  
...  
Open (F1);  
Write ( F1, "Hello" );  
Copy (Source => F1, Target => F2);
```

## Declarations

# Limited Type Declarations

- Syntax

- Additional keyword `limited` added to record type declaration

```
type defining_identifier is limited record  
    component_list  
end record;
```

- Are always record types unless also private
  - More in a moment...



## Approximate Analog In C++

```
class Stack {  
public:  
    Stack();  
    void Push (int X);  
    void Pop (int& X);  
    ...  
private:  
    ...  
    // assignment operator hidden  
    Stack& operator= (const Stack& other);  
}; // Stack
```

# Spin Lock Example

```
with Interfaces;
package Multiprocessor_Mutex is
  -- prevent copying of a lock
  type Spin_Lock is limited record
    Flag : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
  end record;
  procedure Lock   (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  procedure Unlock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  pragma Inline (Lock, Unlock);
end Multiprocessor_Mutex;
```

# Parameter Passing Mechanism

- Always "by-reference" if explicitly limited
  - Necessary for various reasons (**task** and **protected** types, etc)
  - Advantageous when required for proper behavior
- By definition, these subprograms would be called concurrently
  - Cannot operate on copies of parameters!

```
procedure Lock  (This : in out Spin_Lock);  
procedure Unlock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
```

# Composites with Limited Types

- Composite containing a limited type becomes limited as well
  - Example: Array of limited elements
    - Array becomes a limited type
  - Prevents assignment and equality loop-holes

**declare**

*-- if we can't copy component S, we can't copy User\_Type*

**type** User\_Type **is record** *-- limited because S is limited*  
  S : File;

...

**end record;**

A, B : User\_Type;

**begin**

A := B; *-- not legal since limited*

...

**end;**

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record  
  I : Integer;  
end record;
```

```
L1, L2 : T;  
B : Boolean;
```

Which statement(s) is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. L1.I := 1
- ☐ B. L1 := L2
- ☐ C. B := (L1 = L2)
- ☐ D. B := (L1.I = L2.I)

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record  
  I : Integer;  
end record;
```

```
L1, L2 : T;  
B : Boolean;
```

Which statement(s) is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. `L1.I := 1`
- ☐ B. `L1 := L2`
- ☐ C. `B := (L1 = L2)`
- ☐ D. `B := (L1.I = L2.I)`

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record  
  I : Integer;  
end record;
```

Which of the following declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☒ A. function "+" (A : T) return T is (A)
- ☒ B. function "-" (A : T) return T is (I => -A.I)
- ☒ C. function "=" (A, B : T) return Boolean is (True)
- ☒ D. function "=" (A, B : T) return Boolean is (A.I =  
T'(I => B.I).I)

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record  
  I : Integer;  
end record;
```

Which of the following declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☒ A. `function "+" (A : T) return T is (A)`
- ☒ B. `function "-" (A : T) return T is (I => -A.I)`
- ☒ C. `function "=" (A, B : T) return Boolean is (True)`
- ☒ D. `function "=" (A, B : T) return Boolean is (A.I =  
T'(I => B.I).I)`



# Quiz

```
package P is
  type T is limited null record;
  type R is record
    F1 : Integer;
    F2 : T;
  end record;
end P;

with P;
procedure Main is
  T1, T2 : P.T;
  R1, R2 : P.R;
begin
```

Which assignment is legal?

- ☐ A T1 := T2;
- ☐ B R1 := R2;
- ☐ C R1.F1 := R2.F1;
- ☐ D R2.F2 := R2.F2;

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type T is limited null record;
  type R is record
    F1 : Integer;
    F2 : T;
  end record;
end P;

with P;
procedure Main is
  T1, T2 : P.T;
  R1, R2 : P.R;
begin
```

Which assignment is legal?

- ☐ A T1 := T2;
- ☐ B R1 := R2;
- ☐ C R1.F1 := R2.F1;
- ☐ D R2.F2 := R2.F2;

Explanations

- ☐ A T1 and T2 are **limited** types
- ☐ B R1 and R2 contain **limited** types so they are also **limited**
- ☐ C Theses components are not **limited** types
- ☐ D These components are of a **limited** type

## Creating Values

# Creating Values

- Initialization is not assignment (but looks like it)!
- Via **limited constructor functions**
  - Functions returning values of limited types
- Via an **aggregate**
  - *limited aggregate* when used for a **limited** type

```
type Spin_Lock is limited record
```

```
  Flag : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
```

```
end record;
```

```
...
```

```
Mutex : Spin_Lock := (Flag => 0); -- limited aggregate
```

## Limited Constructor Functions

- Allowed wherever limited aggregates are allowed
- More capable (can perform arbitrary computations)
- Necessary when limited type is also private
  - Users won't have visibility required to express aggregate contents

```
function F return Spin_Lock  
is  
begin  
    ...  
    return (Flag => 0);  
end F;
```

# Writing Limited Constructor Functions

- Remember - copying is not allowed

```
function F return Spin_Lock is
  Local_X : Spin_Lock;
begin
  ...
  return Local_X; -- this is a copy - not legal
                 -- (also illegal because of pass-by-reference)
end F;
```

```
Global_X : Spin_Lock;
function F return Spin_Lock is
begin
  ...
  -- This is not legal starting with Ada2005
  return Global_X; -- this is a copy
end F;
```

## "Built In-Place"

- Limited aggregates and functions, specifically
- No copying done by implementation
  - Values are constructed in situ

```
Mutex : Spin_Lock := (Flag => 0);
```

```
function F return Spin_Lock is  
begin  
  return (Flag => 0);  
end F;
```

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record
  I : Integer;
end record;
```

Which piece(s) of code is(are) a legal constructor for T?

**A** function F return T is  
begin  
 return T (I => 0);  
end F;

**B** function F return T is  
 Val : Integer := 0;  
begin  
 return (I => Val);  
end F;

**C** function F return T is  
 Ret : T := (I => 0);  
begin  
 return Ret;  
end F;

**D** function F return T is  
begin  
 return (0);  
end F;



# Quiz

```
type T is limited record
  I : Integer;
end record;
```

Which piece(s) of code is(are) a legal constructor for T?

**A** function F return T is  
begin  
 return T (I => 0);  
end F;

**B** function F return T is  
 Val : Integer := 0;  
begin  
 return (I => Val);  
end F;

**C** function F return T is  
 Ret : T := (I => 0);  
begin  
 return Ret;  
end F;

**D** function F return T is  
begin  
 return (0);  
end F;

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type T is limited record
    F1 : Integer;
    F2 : Character;
  end record;
  Zero : T := (0, ' ');
  One : constant T := (1, 'a');
  Two : T;
  function F return T;
end P;
```

Which is a correct completion of F?

- ☐ A. return (3, 'c');
- ☐ B. Two := (2, 'b');  
return Two;
- ☐ C. return One;
- ☐ D. return Zero;

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type T is limited record
    F1 : Integer;
    F2 : Character;
  end record;
  Zero : T := (0, ' ');
  One : constant T := (1, 'a');
  Two : T;
  function F return T;
end P;
```

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- ☐ A. `return (3, 'c');`
- ☐ B. `Two := (2, 'b');`  
`return Two;`
- ☐ C. `return One;`
- ☐ D. `return Zero;`

A contains an "in-place" return. The rest all rely on other objects, which would require an (illegal) copy.

## Extended Return Statements

# Function Extended Return Statements

Ada 2005

- *Extended return*
- Result is expressed as an object
- More expressive than aggregates
- Handling of unconstrained types
- Syntax (simplified):

```
return identifier : subtype [:= expression];
```

```
return identifier : subtype  
[do  
    sequence_of_statements ...  
end return];
```

## Extended Return Statements Example

```
-- Implicitly limited array
type Spin_Lock_Array (Positive range <>) of Spin_Lock;

function F return Spin_Lock_Array is
begin
    return Result : Spin_Lock_Array (1 .. 10) do
        ...
    end return;
end F;
```

# Expression / Statements Are Optional

Ada 2005

- Without sequence (returns default if any)

```
function F return Spin_Lock is
begin
    return Result : Spin_Lock;
end F;
```

- With sequence

```
function F return Spin_Lock is
    X : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
begin
    -- compute X ...
    return Result : Spin_Lock := (Flag => X);
end F;
```

# Statements Restrictions

Ada 2005

- **No** nested extended return
- **Simple** return statement **allowed**
  - **Without** expression
  - Returns the value of the **declared object** immediately

```
function F return Spin_Lock is
begin
  return Result : Spin_Lock do
    if Set_Flag then
      Result.Flag := 1;
      return; -- returns 'Result'
    end if;
    Result.Flag := 0;
  end return; -- Implicit return
end F;
```



# Quiz

```
type T is limited record
  I : Integer;
end record;
```

```
function F return T is
begin
  -- F body...
end F;
```

```
O : T := F;
```

Which declaration(s) of F is(are) valid?

- ☐ A return Return : T := (I => 1)
- ☐ B return Result : T
- ☐ C return Value := (others => 1)
- ☐ D return R : T do  
    R.I := 1;  
end return;

# Quiz

```
type T is limited record
  I : Integer;
end record;
```

```
function F return T is
begin
  -- F body...
end F;
```

```
O : T := F;
```

Which declaration(s) of F is(are) valid?

☐ A. `return Return : T := (I => 1)`

☐ B. `return Result : T`

☐ C. `return Value := (others => 1)`

☐ D. `return R : T do`  
    `R.I := 1;`  
    `end return;`

- ☐ A. Using `return` reserved keyword
- ☐ B. OK, default value
- ☐ C. Extended return must specify type
- ☐ D. OK

## Combining Limited and Private Views

# Limited Private Types

- A combination of **limited** and **private** views
  - No client compile-time visibility to representation
  - No client assignment or predefined equality
- The typical design idiom for **limited** types
- Syntax
  - Additional reserved word **limited** added to **private** type declaration

```
type defining_identifier is limited private;
```

## Limited Private Type Rationale (1/2)

```
package Multiprocessor_Mutex is
  -- copying is prevented
  type Spin_Lock is limited record
    -- but users can see this!
    Flag : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
  end record;
  procedure Lock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  procedure Unlock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  pragma Inline (Lock, Unlock);
end Multiprocessor_Mutex;
```

## Limited Private Type Rationale (2/2)

```
package MultiProcessor_Mutex is
  -- copying is prevented AND users cannot see contents
  type Spin_Lock is limited private;
  procedure Lock (The_Lock : in out Spin_Lock);
  procedure Unlock (The_Lock : in out Spin_Lock);
  pragma Inline (Lock, Unlock);
private
  type Spin_Lock is ...
end MultiProcessor_Mutex;
```

## Limited Private Type Completions

- Clients have the partial view as **limited** and **private**
- The full view completion can be any kind of type
- Not required to be a record type just because the partial view is limited

```
package P is
  type Unique_ID_T is limited private;
  ...
private
  type Unique_ID_T is range 1 .. 10;
end P;
```

## Write-Only Register Example

```
package Write_Only is
  type Byte is limited private;
  type Word is limited private;
  type Longword is limited private;
  procedure Assign (Input : in Unsigned_8;
                    To      : in out Byte);
  procedure Assign (Input : in Unsigned_16;
                    To      : in out Word);
  procedure Assign (Input : in Unsigned_32;
                    To      : in out Longword);
private
  type Byte is new Unsigned_8;
  type Word is new Unsigned_16;
  type Longword is new Unsigned_32;
end Write_Only;
```



## Explicitly Limited Completions

- Completion in Full view includes word **limited**
- Optional
- Requires a record type as the completion

```
package MultiProcessor_Mutex is
  type Spin_Lock is limited private;
  procedure Lock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  procedure Unlock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
private
  type Spin_Lock is limited -- full view is limited as well
    record
      Flag : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
    end record;
end MultiProcessor_Mutex;
```

## Effects of Explicitly Limited Completions

- Allows no internal copying too
- Forces parameters to be passed by-reference

```
package MultiProcessor_Mutex is
  type Spin_Lock is limited private;
  procedure Lock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
  procedure Unlock (This : in out Spin_Lock);
private
  type Spin_Lock is limited record
    Flag : Interfaces.Unsigned_8;
  end record;
end MultiProcessor_Mutex;
```

# Automatically Limited Full View

- When other limited types are used in the representation
- Recall composite types containing limited types are **limited** too

```
package Foo is
  type Legal is limited private;
  type Also_Legal is limited private;
  type Not_Legal is private;
  type Also_Not_Legal is private;
private
  type Legal is record
    S : A_Limited_Type;
  end record;
  type Also_Legal is limited record
    S : A_Limited_Type;
  end record;
  type Not_Legal is limited record
    S : A_Limited_Type;
  end record;
  type Also_Not_Legal is record
    S : A_Limited_Type;
  end record;
end Foo;
```

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Priv is private;
private
  type Lim is limited null record;
  -- Complete Here
end P;
```

Which of the following piece(s) of code is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. type Priv is record  
    E : Lim;  
end record;
- ☐ B. type Priv is record  
    E : Float;  
end record;
- ☐ C. type A is array (1 .. 10) of Lim;  
    type Priv is record  
      F : A;  
end record;
- ☐ D. type Acc is access Lim;  
    type Priv is record  
      F : Acc;  
end record;

# Quiz

```
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  -- Complete Here
end P;
```

Which of the following piece(s) of code is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. type Priv is record  
    E : Lim;  
    end record;
- ☐ B. type Priv is record  
    E : Float;  
    end record;
- ☐ C. type A is array (1 .. 10) of Lim;  
    type Priv is record  
        F : A;  
    end record;
- ☐ D. type Acc is access Lim;  
    type Priv is record  
        F : Acc;  
    end record;
- ☐ A. E has limited type, partial view of Priv must be  
    private limited
- ☐ B. F has limited type, partial view of Priv must be  
    private limited

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type L1_T is limited private;
  type L2_T is limited private;
  type P1_T is private;
  type P2_T is private;
private
  type L1_T is limited record
    Field : Integer;
  end record;
  type L2_T is record
    Field : Integer;
  end record;
  type P1_T is limited record
    Field : L1_T;
  end record;
  type P2_T is record
    Field : L2_T;
  end record;
```

What will happen when the above code is compiled?

- A.** Type P1\_T will generate a compile error
- B.** Type P2\_T will generate a compile error
- C.** Both type P1\_T and type P2\_T will generate compile errors
- D.** The code will compile successfully

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type L1_T is limited private;
  type L2_T is limited private;
  type P1_T is private;
  type P2_T is private;
private
  type L1_T is limited record
    Field : Integer;
  end record;
  type L2_T is record
    Field : Integer;
  end record;
  type P1_T is limited record
    Field : L1_T;
  end record;
  type P2_T is record
    Field : L2_T;
  end record;
```

What will happen when the above code is compiled?

- A. *Type P1\_T will generate a compile error*
- B. Type P2\_T will generate a compile error
- C. Both type P1\_T and type P2\_T will generate compile errors
- D. The code will compile successfully

The full definition of type P1\_T adds additional restrictions, which is not allowed. Although P2\_T contains a component whose visible view is **limited**, the internal view is not **limited** so P2\_T is not **limited**.

Lab



# Limited Types Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create an employee record data type consisting of a name, ID, hourly pay rate
  - ID should be unique for every record
- Create a timecard record data type consisting of an employee record, hours worked, and total pay
- Create a main program that generates timecards and prints their contents

## ■ Hints

- If the ID is unique, that means we cannot copy employee records

# Limited Types Lab Solution - Employee Data (Spec)

```
with Ada.Strings.Unbounded; use Ada.Strings.Unbounded;
package Employee_Data is

    type Employee_T is limited private;
    type Hourly_Rate_T is delta 0.01 digits 6 range 0.0 .. 999.99;
    type Id_T is range 999 .. 9_999;

    function Create (Name : String;
                    Rate : Hourly_Rate_T := 0.0)
                    return Employee_T;
    function Id (Employee : Employee_T) return Id_T;
    function Name (Employee : Employee_T) return String;
    function Rate (Employee : Employee_T) return Hourly_Rate_T;

private
    type Employee_T is limited record
        Name : Unbounded_String := Null_Unbounded_String;
        Rate : Hourly_Rate_T     := 0.0;
        Id   : Id_T              := Id_T'First;
    end record;
end Employee_Data;
```

# Limited Types Lab Solution - Timecards (Spec)

```
with Employee_Data;
package Timecards is

    type Hours_Worked_T is digits 3 range 0.0 .. 24.0;
    type Pay_T is digits 6;
    type Timecard_T is limited private;

    function Create (Name   : String;
                    Rate    : Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T;
                    Hours   : Hours_Worked_T)
                    return Timecard_T;

    function Id (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Employee_Data.Id_T;
    function Name (Timecard : Timecard_T) return String;
    function Rate (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T;
    function Pay (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Pay_T;
    function Image ( Timecard : Timecard_T ) return String;

private
    type Timecard_T is limited record
        Employee      : Employee_Data.Employee_T;
        Hours_Worked  : Hours_Worked_T := 0.0;
        Pay            : Pay_T         := 0.0;
    end record;
end Timecards;
```

# Limited Types Lab Solution - Employee Data (Body)

```
package body Employee_Data is

    Last_Used_Id : Id_T := Id_T'First;

    function Create (Name : String;
                    Rate : Hourly_Rate_T := 0.0)
                    return Employee_T is
    begin
        return Ret_Val : Employee_T do
            Last_Used_Id := Id_T'Succ (Last_Used_Id);
            Ret_Val.Name := To_Unbounded_String (Name);
            Ret_Val.Rate := Rate;
            Ret_Val.Id := Last_Used_Id;
        end return;
    end Create;

    function Id (Employee : Employee_T) return Id_T is (Employee.Id);
    function Name (Employee : Employee_T) return String is (To_String (Employee.Name));
    function Rate (Employee : Employee_T) return Hourly_Rate_T is (Employee.Rate);

end Employee_Data;
```

# Limited Types Lab Solution - Timecards (Body)

```

package body Timecards is

  function Create (Name  : String;
                  Rate   : Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T;
                  Hours   : Hours_Worked_T)
    return Timecard_T is

  begin
    return (Employee      => Employee_Data.Create (Name, Rate),
           Hours_Worked => Hours,
           Pay            => Pay_T (Hours) * Pay_T (Rate));
  end Create;

  function Id (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Employee_Data.Id_T is
    (Employee_Data.Id (Timecard.Employee));

  function Name (Timecard : Timecard_T) return String is
    (Employee_Data.Name (Timecard.Employee));

  function Rate (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T is
    (Employee_Data.Rate (Timecard.Employee));

  function Pay (Timecard : Timecard_T) return Pay_T is
    (Timecard.Pay);

  function Image (Timecard : Timecard_T) return String is
    Name_S : constant String := Name (Timecard);
    Id_S   : constant String := Employee_Data.Id_T'Image (Employee_Data.Id (Timecard.Employee));
    Rate_S : constant String := Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T'Image
      (Employee_Data.Rate (Timecard.Employee));
    Hours_S : constant String := Hours_Worked_T'Image (Timecard.Hours_Worked);
    Pay_S   : constant String := Pay_T'Image (Timecard.Pay);
  begin
    return Name_S & " ( " & Id_S & " ) => " & Hours_S & " hours * " & Rate_S & "/hour = " & Pay_S;
  end Image;
end Timecards;

```

# Limited Types Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Timecards;
procedure Main is

    One : constant Timecards.Timecard_T :=
        Timecards.Create (Name => "Fred Flintstone",
                           Rate => 1.1,
                           Hours => 2.2);

    Two : constant Timecards.Timecard_T :=
        Timecards.Create (Name => "Barney Rubble",
                           Rate => 3.3,
                           Hours => 4.4);

begin
    Put_Line ( Timecards.Image ( One ) );
    Put_Line ( timecards.Image ( Two ) );
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Limited view protects against improper operations
  - Incorrect equality semantics
  - Copying via assignment
- Enclosing composite types are **limited** too
  - Even if they don't use keyword **limited** themselves
- Limited types are always passed by-reference
- Extended return statements work for any type
  - Ada 2005 and later
- Don't make types **limited** unless necessary
  - Users generally expect assignment to be available



# Program Structure

# Introduction

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- Moving to "bigger" issues of overall program composition
- How to compose programs out of program units
- How to control object lifetimes
- How to define subsystems

## Building A System

# What is a System?

- Also called Application or Program or ...
- Collection of *library units*
  - Which are a collection of packages, subprograms, objects

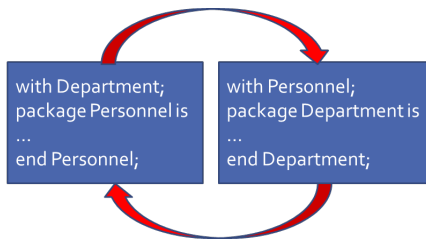
# Library Units Review

- Those units not nested within another program unit
- Candidates
  - Subprograms
  - Packages
  - Generic Units
  - Generic Instantiations
  - Renamings
- Dependencies between library units via **with** clauses
  - What happens when two units need to depend on each other?

## "limited with" Clauses

# Handling Cyclic Dependencies

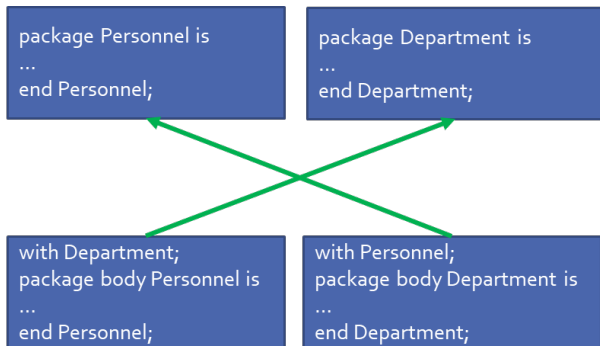
- Elaboration must be linear
- Package declarations cannot depend on each other
  - No linear order is possible
- Which package elaborates first?





## Body-Level Cross Dependencies Are OK

- The bodies only depend on other packages' declarations
- The declarations are already elaborated by the time the bodies are elaborated



## Resulting Design Problem

- Good design dictates that conceptually distinct types appear in distinct package declarations
  - Separation of concerns
  - High level of *cohesion*
- Not possible if they depend on each other
- One solution is to combine them in one package, even though conceptually distinct
  - Poor software engineering

# Illegal Package Declaration Dependency

```
with Department;
package Personnel is
  type Employee is private;
  procedure Assign ( This : in Employee;
                    To : in out Department.Section);
private
  type Employee is record
    Assigned_To : Department.Section;
  end record;
end Personnel;

with Personnel;
package Department is
  type Section is private;
  procedure Choose_Manager ( This : in out Section;
                             Who : in Personnel.Employee);
private
  type Section is record
    Manager : Personnel.Employee;
  end record;
end Department;
```

# limited with Clauses

Ada 2005

- Solve the cyclic declaration dependency problem
  - Controlled cycles are now permitted
- Provide a *limited view* of the specified package
  - Only type names are visible (including in nested packages)
  - Types are viewed as *incomplete types*
- Normal view

```
package Personnel is
  type Employee is private;
  procedure Assign ...
private
  type Employee is ...
end Personnel;
```

- Implied limited view

```
package Personnel is
  type Employee;
end Personnel;
```

# Using Incomplete Types

- Anywhere that the compiler doesn't yet need to know how they are really represented
  - Access types designating them
  - Access parameters designating them
  - Anonymous access components designating them
  - As formal parameters and function results
    - As long as compiler knows them at the point of the call
  - As generic formal type parameters
  - As introductions of private types
- If **tagged**, may also use **'Class**
- Thus typically involves some advanced features

# Legal Package Declaration Dependency

Ada 2005

```
limited with Department;
package Personnel is
  type Employee is private;
  procedure Assign ( This : in Employee;
                    To : in out Department.Section);
private
  type Employee is record
    Assigned_To : access Department.Section;
  end record;
end Personnel;

limited with Personnel;
package Department is
  type Section is private;
  procedure Choose_Manager ( This : in out Section;
                             Who : in Personnel.Employee);
private
  type Section is record
    Manager : access Personnel.Employee;
  end record;
end Department;
```

# Full **with** Clause On the Package Body

Ada 2005

- Even though declaration has a **limited with** clause
- Typically necessary since body does the work
  - Dereferencing, etc.
- Usual semantics from then on

```
limited with Personnel;  
package Department is  
...  
end Department;
```

```
with Personnel; -- normal view in body  
package body Department is  
...  
end Department;
```

## Hierarchical Library Units

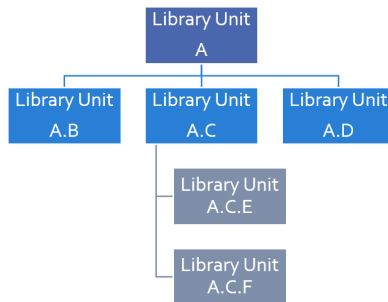


# Problem: Packages Are Not Enough

- Extensibility is a problem for private types
  - Provide excellent encapsulation and abstraction
  - But one has either complete visibility or essentially none
  - New functionality must be added to same package for sake of compile-time visibility to representation
  - Thus enhancements require editing/recompilation/retesting
- Should be something "bigger" than packages
  - Subsystems
  - Directly relating library items in one name-space
    - One big package has too many disadvantages
  - Avoiding name clashes among independently-developed code

# Solution: Hierarchical Library Units

- Address extensibility issue
  - Can extend packages with visibility to parent private part
  - Extensions do not require recompilation of parent unit
  - Visibility of parent's private part is protected
- Directly support subsystems
  - Extensions all have the same ancestor *root* name



# Programming By Extension

## ■ *Parent unit*

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  function "*" ( Left, Right : Number ) return Number;
  function "/" ( Left, Right : Number ) return Number;
  function "+" ( Left, Right : Number ) return Number;
  function "-" ( Left, Right : Number ) return Number;
  ...
private
  type Number is record
    Real_Part, Imaginary_Part : Float;
  end record;
end Complex;
```

## ■ Extension created to work with parent unit

```
package Complex.Utils is
  procedure Put (C : in Number);
  function As_String (C : Number) return String;
  ...
end Complex.Utils;
```

# Extension Can See Private Section

- With certain limitations

```
with Ada.Text_IO;
package body Complex.Utills is
  procedure Put( C : in Number ) is
  begin
    Ada.Text_IO.Put( As_String(C) );
  end Put;
  function As_String( C : Number ) return String is
  begin
    -- Real_Part and Imaginary_Part are
    -- visible to child's body
    return "( " & Float'Image(C.Real_Part) & ", " &
           Float'Image(C.Imaginary_Part) & " )";
  end As_String;
  ...
end Complex.Utills;
```

# Subsystem Approach

```
with Interfaces.C;
package OS is -- Unix and/or POSIX
  type File_Descriptor is new Interfaces.C.int;
  ...
end OS;

package OS.Mem_Mgmt is
  ...
  procedure Dump ( File           : File_Descriptor;
                  Requested_Location : System.Address;
                  Requested_Size    : Interfaces.C.Size_T );
  ...
end OS.Mem_Mgmt;

package OS.Files is
  ...
  function Open ( Device : Interfaces.C.char_array;
                Permission : Permissions := S_IRWXO )
    return File_Descriptor;
  ...
end OS.Files;
```

# Predefined Hierarchies

- Standard library facilities are children of **Ada**
  - **Ada.Text\_IO**
  - **Ada.Calendar**
  - **Ada.Command\_Line**
  - **Ada.Exceptions**
  - et cetera
- Other root packages are also predefined
  - **Interfaces.C**
  - **Interfaces.Fortran**
  - **System.Storage\_Pools**
  - **System.Storage\_Elements**
  - et cetera

# Hierarchical Visibility

- Children can see ancestors' visible and private parts
  - All the way up to the root library unit
- Siblings have no automatic visibility to each other
- Visibility same as nested
  - As if child library units are nested within parents
    - All child units come after the root parent's specification
    - Grandchildren within children, great-grandchildren within ...



## Example of Visibility As If Nested

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  function "*" (Left, Right : Number) return Number;
  function "/" (Left, Right : Number) return Number;
  function "+" (Left, Right : Number) return Number;
  ...
private
  type Number is record
    Real_Part : Float;
    Imaginary : Float;
  end record;
  package Utils is
    procedure Put (C : in Number);
    function As_String (C : Number) return String;
    ...
  end Utils;
end Complex;
```



## with Clauses for Ancestors are Implicit

- Because children can reference ancestors' private parts
  - Code is not in executable unless somewhere in the **with** clauses
- Explicit clauses for ancestors are redundant but OK

```
package Parent is
    ...
private
    A : Integer := 10;
end Parent;

-- no "with" of parent needed
package Parent.Child is
    ...
private
    B : Integer := Parent.A;
    -- no dot-notation needed
    C : integer := A;
end Parent.Child;
```

## with Clauses for Siblings are Required

- If references are intended

```
with A.Foo; -- required  
package body A.Bar is  
    ...  
    -- 'Foo' is directly visible because of the  
    -- implied nesting rule  
    X : Foo.Typeemark;  
end A.Bar;
```

# Quiz

```
package Parent is
  Parent_Object : Integer;
end Parent;

package Parent.Sibling is
  Sibling_Object : Integer;
end Parent.Sibling;

package Parent.Child is
  Child_Object : Integer := ? ;
end Parent.Child;
```

Which is not a legal initialization of Child\_Object?

- ☐ A. Parent.Parent\_Object + Parent.Sibling.Sibling\_Object
- ☐ B. Parent\_Object + Sibling.Sibling\_Object
- ☐ C. Parent\_Object + Sibling\_Object
- ☐ D. All of the above

# Quiz

```
package Parent is
    Parent_Object : Integer;
end Parent;

package Parent.Sibling is
    Sibling_Object : Integer;
end Parent.Sibling;

package Parent.Child is
    Child_Object : Integer := ? ;
end Parent.Child;
```

Which is not a legal initialization of Child\_Object?

- ☐ A. Parent.Parent\_Object + Parent.Sibling.Sibling\_Object
- ☐ B. Parent\_Object + Sibling.Sibling\_Object
- ☐ C. Parent\_Object + Sibling\_Object
- ☒ D. *All of the above*

A, B, and C are illegal because there is no reference to package Parent.Sibling (the reference to Parent is implied by the hierarchy). If Parent.Child had "**with** Parent.Sibling;", then A and B would be legal, but C would still be incorrect because there is no implied reference to a sibling.

## Visibility Limits

# Parents Do Not Know Their Children!

- Children grant themselves access to ancestors' private parts
  - May be created well after parent
  - Parent doesn't know if/when child packages will exist
- Alternative is to grant access when declared
  - Like `friend` units in C++
  - But would have to be prescient!
    - Or else adding children requires modifying parent
  - Hence too restrictive
- Note: Parent body can reference children
  - Typical method of parsing out complex processes

## Correlation to C++ Class Visibility Controls

- Ada private part is visible to child units

```
package P is
  A ...
private
  B ...
end P;
package body P is
  C ...
end P;
```

- Thus private part is like the protected part in C++

```
class C {
public:
  A ...
protected:
  B ...
private:
  C ...
};
```

# Visibility Limits

- Visibility to parent's private part is not open-ended
  - Only visible to private parts and bodies of children
  - As if only private part of child package is nested in parent
- Recall users can only reference exported declarations
  - Child public spec only has access to parent public spec

```
package Parent is
```

```
...
```

```
private
```

```
    type Parent_T is ...
```

```
end Parent;
```

```
package Parent.Child is
```

```
    -- Parent_T is not visible here!
```

```
private
```

```
    -- Parent_T is visible here
```

```
end Parent.Child;
```

```
package body Parent.Child is
```

```
    -- Parent_T is visible here
```

```
end Parent.Child;
```



# Children Can Break Abstraction

- Could **break** a parent's abstraction
  - Alter a parent package state
  - Alters an ADT object state
- Useful for reset, testing: fault injections...

```
package Stack is
```

```
...
```

```
private
```

```
  Values : array (1 .. N ) of Foo;
```

```
  Top : Natural range 0 .. N := 0
```

```
end Stack;
```

```
package body Stack.Reset is
```

```
  procedure Reset is
```

```
  begin
```

```
    Top := 0;
```

```
  end Reset;
```

```
end Stack.Tools;
```

# Using Children for Debug

- Provide **accessors** to parent's private information
- eg internal metrics...

```
package P is
    ...
private
    Internal_Counter : Integer := 0;
end P;

package P.Child is
    function Count return Integer;
end P.Child;

package body P.Child is
    function Count return Integer is
    begin
        return Internal_Counter;
    end Count;
end P.Child;
```

# Quiz

```
package P is
  procedure Initialize;
  Object_A : Integer;
private
  Object_B : Integer;
end P;

package body P is
  Object_C : Integer;
  procedure Initialize is null;
end P;

package P.Child is
  function X return Integer;
end P.Child;
```

Which return statement would be illegal in P.Child.X?

- ☐ A. return Object\_A;
- ☐ B. return Object\_B;
- ☐ C. return Object\_C;
- ☐ D. None of the above

# Quiz

```
package P is
  procedure Initialize;
  Object_A : Integer;
private
  Object_B : Integer;
end P;

package body P is
  Object_C : Integer;
  procedure Initialize is null;
end P;

package P.Child is
  function X return Integer;
end P.Child;
```

Which return statement would be illegal in P.Child.X?

- ☐ A. return Object\_A;
- ☐ B. return Object\_B;
- ☐ C. return Object\_C;
- ☐ D. None of the above

Explanations

- ☐ A. Object\_A is in the public part of P - visible to any unit that **with's** P
- ☐ B. Object\_B is in the private part of P - visible in the private part or body of any descendant of P
- ☐ C. Object\_C is in the body of P, so it is only visible in the body of P
- ☐ D. A and B are both valid completions

## Private Children

# Private Children

- Intended as implementation artifacts
- Only available within subsystem
  - Rules prevent **with** clauses by clients
  - Thus cannot export anything outside subsystem
  - Thus have no parent visibility restrictions
    - Public part of child also has visibility to ancestors' private parts

```
private package Maze.Debug is
  procedure Dump_State;
  ...
end Maze.Debug;
```

# Rules Preventing Private Child Visibility

- Only available within immediate family
  - Rest of subsystem cannot import them
- Public unit declarations have import restrictions
  - To prevent re-exporting private information
- Public unit bodies have no import restrictions
  - Since can't re-export any imported info
- Private units can import anything
  - Declarations and bodies can import public and private units
  - Cannot be imported outside subsystem so no restrictions

# Import Rules

- Only parent of private unit and its descendants can import a private child
- Public unit declarations import restrictions
  - Not allowed to have **with** clauses for private units
    - Exception explained in a moment
  - Precludes re-exporting private information
- Private units can import anything
  - Declarations and bodies can import private children



# Some Public Children Are Trustworthy

- Would only use a private sibling's exports privately
- But rules disallow **with** clause

```
private package OS.UART is
  type Device is limited private;
  procedure Open (This : out Device; ...);
  ...
end OS.UART;
```

```
-- illegal - private child
with OS.UART;
package OS.Serial is
  type COM_Port is limited private;
  ...
private
  type COM_Port is limited record
    -- but I only need it here!
    COM : OS.UART.Device;
    ...
  end record;
end OS.Serial;
```

## Solution 1: Move Type To Parent Package

```
package OS is
...
private
  -- no longer an ADT!
  type Device is limited private;
...
end OS;

private package OS.UART is
  procedure Open (This : out Device;
    ...);
  ...
end OS.UART;

package OS.Serial is
  type COM_Port is limited private;
  ...
private
  type COM_Port is limited record
    COM : Device; -- now visible
    ...
  end record;
end OS.Serial;
```

## Solution 2: Partially Import Private Unit

Ada 2005

- Via **private with** clause

- Syntax

```
private with package_name {, package_name} ;
```

- Public declarations can then access private siblings
  - But only in their private part
  - Still prevents exporting contents of private unit
- The specified package need not be a private unit
  - But why bother otherwise

# private with Example

Ada 2005

```
private package OS.UART is
  type Device is limited private;
  procedure Open (This : out Device;
    ...);
  ...
end OS.UART;

private with OS.UART;
package OS.Serial is
  type COM_Port is limited private;
  ...
private
  type COM_Port is limited record
    COM : OS.UART.Device;
    ...
  end record;
end OS.Serial;
```

# Combining Private and Limited Withs

Ada 2005

- Cyclic declaration dependencies allowed
- A public unit can **with** a private unit
- With-ed unit only visible in the private part

```
limited with Parent.Public_Child;  
private package Parent.Private_Child is  
    type T is ...  
end Parent.Private_Child;
```

```
limited private with Parent.Private_Child;  
package Parent.Public_Child is  
    ...  
private  
    X : access Parent.Private_Child.T;  
end Parent.Public_Child;
```

# Completely Hidden Declarations

- Anything in a package body is completely hidden
  - Children have no access to package bodies
- Precludes extension using the entity
  - Must know that children will never need it

```
package body Skippy is  
  X : Integer := 0;  
  ...  
end Skippy;
```

# Child Subprograms

- Child units can be subprograms
  - Recall syntax
  - Both public and private child subprograms
- Separate declaration required if private
  - Syntax doesn't allow **private** on subprogram bodies
- Only library packages can be parents
  - Only they have necessary scoping

```
private procedure Parent.Child;
```

## Lab



# Program Structure Lab

## ■ Requirements

### ■ Create a simplistic messaging subsystem

- Top-level should define a (private) message type and constructor/accessor subprograms
- Use private child function to calculate message CRC
- Use child package to add/remove messages to some kind of list

### ■ Use child package for diagnostics

- Inject bad CRC into a message
- Print message contents

### ■ Main program should

- Build a list of messages
- Inject faults into list
- Print messages in list and indicate if any are faulty

# Program Structure Lab Solution - Messages

```
with Ada.Strings.Unbounded; use Ada.Strings.Unbounded;
package Messages is
  type Message_T is private;
  type Kind_T is (Command, Query);
  subtype Content_T is String;

  function Create (Kind    : Kind_T;
                  Content  : Content_T)
    return Message_T;

  function Kind (Message : Message_T) return Kind_T;
  function Content (Message : Message_T) return Content_T;
private
  type Crc_T is mod Integer'Last;
  type Message_T is record
    Kind    : Kind_T;
    Content : Unbounded_String;
    Crc     : Crc_T;
  end record;
end Messages;

with Messages.Crc;
package body Messages is
  function Create (Kind    : Kind_T;
                  Content  : Content_T)
    return Message_T is
  begin
    return (Kind => Kind,
            Content => To_Unbounded_String (Content),
            Crc     => Crc (Content));
  end Create;

  function Kind (Message : Message_T) return Kind_T is (Message.Kind);
  function Content (Message : Message_T) return Content_T is (To_String (Message.Content));
end Messages;
```

# Program Structure Lab Solution - Message Queue

```
package Messages.Queue is
    function Empty return Boolean;
    function Full return Boolean;

    procedure Push (Message : Message_T);
    procedure Pop (Message : out Message_T;
                  Valid : out Boolean);
private
    The_Queue : array (1 .. 10) of Message_T;
    Top : Integer := 0;
    function Empty return Boolean is (Top = 0);
    function Full return Boolean is (Top = The_Queue'Last);
end Messages.Queue;

with Messages.Crc;
package body Messages.Queue is
    procedure Push (Message : Message_T) is
    begin
        Top := Top + 1;
        The_Queue (Top) := Message;
    end Push;

    procedure Pop (Message : out Message_T;
                  Valid : out Boolean) is
    begin
        Message := The_Queue (Top);
        Top := Top - 1;
        Valid := Messages.Crc = Crc (To_String (Message.Content));
    end Pop;
end Messages.Queue;
```

# Program Structure Lab Solution - Diagnostics

```
package Messages.Queue.Debug is
  function Queue_Length return Integer;
  procedure Inject_Crc_Fault (Position : Integer);
  function Text (Message : Message_T) return String;
end Messages.Queue.Debug;

package body Messages.Queue.Debug is
  function Queue_Length return Integer is (Top);

  procedure Inject_Crc_Fault (Position : Integer) is
  begin
    The_Queue (Position).Crc := The_Queue (Position).Crc + 1;
  end Inject_Crc_Fault;

  function Text (Message : Message_T) return String is
    (Kind_T'Image (Message.Kind) & " => " & To_String (Message.Content) &
      " (" & Crc_T'Image (Message.Crc) & " )");
  end Messages.Queue.Debug;
```

# Program Structure Lab Solution - CRC

```
private function Messages.Crc (Content : Content_T)
    return Crc_T;
```

```
function Messages.Crc (Content : Content_T)
    return Crc_T is
```

```
    Ret_Val : Crc_T := 1;
```

```
begin
```

```
    for C of Content
```

```
    loop
```

```
        Ret_Val := Ret_Val * Character'Pos (C);
```

```
    end loop;
```

```
    return Ret_Val;
```

```
end Messages.Crc;
```

# Program Structure Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Messages;
with Messages.Queue;
with Messages.Queue.Debug;
procedure Main is
  Char    : Character := 'A';
  Content : String (1 .. 10);
  Message : Messages.Message_T;
  Valid   : Boolean;
begin
  while not Messages.Queue.Full loop
    Content := (others => Char);
    Messages.Queue.Push (Messages.Create (Kind    => Messages.Command,
   Content => Content));

    Char := Character'Succ (Char);
  end loop;

  -- inject some faults
  Messages.Queue.Debug.Inject_Crc_Fault (3);
  Messages.Queue.Debug.Inject_Crc_Fault (6);

  while not Messages.Queue.Empty loop
    Put (Integer'Image (Messages.Queue.Debug.Queue_Length) & " ) ");
    Messages.Queue.Pop (Message, Valid);
    Put_Line (Boolean'Image (Valid) & " " & Messages.Queue.Debug.Text (Message));
  end loop;

end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Hierarchical library units address important issues
  - Direct support for subsystems
  - Extension without recompilation
  - Separation of concerns with controlled sharing of visibility (Ada 2012)
- Parents should document assumptions for children
  - "These must always be in ascending order!"
- Children cannot misbehave unless imported ("with'ed")
- The writer of a child unit must be trusted
  - As much as if he or she were to modify the parent itself



# Visibility

## Introduction

# Improving Readability

- Descriptive names plus hierarchical packages makes for very long statements

```
Messages.Queue.Diagnostics.Inject_Fault (  
    Fault      => Messages.Queue.Diagnostics.CRC_Failure,  
    Position => Messages.Queue.Front );
```

- Operators treated as functions defeat the purpose of overloading

```
Complex1 := Complex_Types."+" ( Complex2, Complex3 );
```

- Ada has mechanisms to simplify hierarchies

# Operators and Primitives

## ■ *Operators*

- Constructs which behave generally like functions but which differ syntactically or semantically.
- Typically arithmetic, comparison, and logical

## ■ **Primitive operation**

- Predefined operations such as = and + etc.
- Subprograms declared in the same package as the type and which operate on the type
- Inherited or overridden subprograms
- For **tagged** types, class-wide subprograms
- Enumeration literals

## "use" Clauses

# use Clauses

- Provide direct visibility into packages' exported items
  - *Direct Visibility* - as if object was referenced from within package being used
- May still use expanded name

```
package Ada.Text_IO is
  procedure Put_Line( ... );
  procedure New_Line( ... );
  ...
end Ada.Text_IO;

with Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Hello is
  use Ada.Text_IO;
begin
  Put_Line( "Hello World" );
  New_Line(3);
  Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ( "Good bye" );
end Hello;
```

# use Clause Syntax

- May have several, like **with** clauses
- Can refer to any visible package (including nested packages)
- Syntax

`use_package_clause ::= use package_name {, package_name}`

- Can only **use** a package
  - Subprograms have no contents to **use**

# use Clause Scope

- Applies to end of body, from first occurrence

```

package Pkg_A is
  Constant_A : constant := 123;
end Pkg_A;

package Pkg_B is
  Constant_B : constant := 987;
end Pkg_B;

with Pkg_A;
with Pkg_B;
use Pkg_A; -- everything in Pkg_A is now visible
package P is
  A : Integer := Constant_A; -- legal
  B1 : Integer := Constant_B; -- illegal
  use Pkg_B; -- everything in Pkg_B is now visible
  B2 : Integer := Constant_B; -- legal
  function F return Integer;
end P;

package body P is
  -- all of Pkg_A and Pkg_B is visible here
  function F return Integer is ( Constant_A + Constant_B );
end P;

```



# No Meaning Changes

- A new **use** clause won't change a program's meaning!
- Any directly visible names still refer to the original entities

```
package D is
  T : Real;
end D;

with D;
procedure P is
  procedure Q is
    T, X : Real;
  begin
    ...
    declare
      use D;
    begin
      -- With or without the clause, "T" means Q.T
      X := T;
    end;
    ...
  end Q;
```

# No Ambiguity Introduction

```
package D is
  V : Boolean;
end D;
```

```
package E is
  V : Integer;
end E;
with D, E;
```

```
procedure P is
  procedure Q is
    use D, E;
  begin
    -- to use V here, must specify D.V or E.V
    ...
  end Q;
begin
  ...
end;
```

## use Clauses and Child Units

- A clause for a child does **not** imply one for its parent
- A clause for a parent makes the child **directly** visible
  - Since children are 'inside' declarative region of parent

```
package Parent is
```

```
  P1 : Integer;
```

```
end Parent;
```

```
package Parent.Child is
```

```
  PC1 : Integer;
```

```
end Parent.Child;
```

```
with Parent.Child;
```

```
procedure Demo is
```

```
  D1 : Integer := Parent.P1;
```

```
  D2 : Integer := Parent.Child.PC1;
```

```
  use Parent;
```

```
  D3 : Integer := P1;
```

```
  D4 : Integer := Child.PC1;
```

```
  ...
```

# use Clause and Implicit Declarations

- Visibility rules apply to implicit declarations too

```
package P is
  type Int is range Lower .. Upper;
  -- implicit declarations
  -- function "+"( Left, Right : Int ) return Int;
  -- function "="( Left, Right : Int ) return Boolean;
end P;
```

```
with P;
procedure Test is
  A, B, C : P.Int := some_value;
begin
  C := A + B; -- illegal reference to operator
  C:= P."+" (A,B);
  declare
    -- Provide visibility into operations from P
    use P;
  begin
    C := A + B; -- now legal
  end;
end Test;
```

## "use type" Clauses

# use type Clauses

## ■ Syntax

```
use_type_clause ::= use type subtype_mark  
                  {, subtype_mark};
```

## ■ Makes operators directly visible for specified type

- Implicit and explicit operator function declarations
- Only those that mention the type in the profile
  - Parameters and/or result type

## ■ More specific alternative to **use** clauses

- Especially useful when multiple **use** clauses introduce ambiguity

## use type Clause Example

```
package P is
  type Int is range Lower .. Upper;
  -- implicit declarations
  -- function "+"( Left, Right : Int ) return Int;
  -- function "="( Left, Right : Int ) return Boolean;
end P;
with P;
procedure Test is
  A, B, C : P.Int := some_value;
  use type P.Int;
  D : Int; -- not legal
begin
  C := A + B; -- operator is visible
end Test;
```

## use Type Clauses and Multiple Types

- One clause can make ops for several types visible
  - When multiple types are in the profiles
- No need for multiple clauses in that case

```
package P is
  type Miles_T is digits 6;
  type Hours_T is digits 6;
  type Speed_T is digits 6;
  -- "use type" on any of Miles_T, Hours_T, Speed_T
  -- makes operator visible
  function "/"( Left : Miles_T;
                 Right : Hours_T )
    return Speed_T;
end P;
```



# Multiple **use type** Clauses

- May be necessary
- Only those that mention the type in their profile are made visible

```
package P is
  type T1 is range 1 .. 10;
  type T2 is range 1 .. 10;
  -- implicit
  -- function "+"( Left : T2; Right : T2 ) return T2;
  type T3 is range 1 .. 10;
  -- explicit
  function "+"( Left : T1; Right : T2 ) return T3;
end P;

with P;
procedure UseType is
  X1 : P.T1;
  X2 : P.T2;
  X3 : P.T3;
  use type P.T1;
begin
  X3 := X1 + X2; -- operator visible because it uses T1
  X2 := X2 + X2; -- operator not visible
end UseType;
```

"use all type" Clauses

# use all type Clauses

Ada 2012

- Makes all primitive operations for the type visible
  - Not just operators
  - Especially, subprograms that are not operators
- Still need a **use** clause for other entities
  - Typically exceptions

# use all type Clause Example

Ada 2012

```
package Complex is
  type Number is private;
  function "+" (Left, Right : Number) return Number;
  procedure Make ( C : out Number;
                  From_Real, From_Imag : Float );
  ...
with Complex;
use all type Complex.Number;
procedure Demo is
  A, B, C : Complex.Number;
  procedure Non_Primitive ( X : Complex.Number ) is null;
begin
  -- "use all type" makes these available
  Make (A, From_Real => 1.0, From_Imag => 0.0);
  Make (B, From_Real => 1.0, From_Imag => 0.0);
  C := A + B;
  -- The following isn't a call to a primitive, so
  -- "use type" or "use all type" does not help.
  Non_Primitive (0);
end Demo;
```

# use all type v. use type Example

Ada 2012

```
with Complex;    use type Complex.Number;
procedure Demo is
  A, B, C : Complex.Number;
Begin
  -- these are always allowed
  Complex.Make (A, From_Real => 1.0, From_Imag => 0.0);
  Complex.Make (B, From_Real => 1.0, From_Imag => 0.0);
  -- "use type" does not give access to these
  Make (A, 1.0, 0.0); -- not visible
  Make (B, 1.0, 0.0); -- not visible
  -- but this is good
  C := A + B;
  Complex.Put (C);
  -- this is not allowed
  Put (C); -- not visible
end Demo;
```

## Renaming Entities

# Three Positives Make a Negative

- Good Coding Practices ...

- Descriptive names
- Modularization
- Subsystem hierarchies

- Can result in cumbersome references

```
-- use cosine rule to determine distance between two points,  
-- given angle and distances between observer and 2 points  
--  $A^2 = B^2 + C^2 - 2BC \cos(A)$ 
```

```
Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Point1_Point2) :=  
  Math_Utilities.Square_Root  
    (Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Observer_Point1)**2 +  
     Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Observer_Point2)**2 +  
     2.0 * Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Observer_Point1) *  
       Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Observer_Point2) *  
       Math_Utilities.Trigonometry.Cosine  
         (Observation.Vertices (Viewpoint_Types.Observer))));
```

# Writing Readable Code - Part 1

- We could use **use** on package names to remove some dot-notation

```
-- use cosine rule to determine distance between two points, given angle
-- and distances between observer and 2 points  $A^2 = B^2 + C^2 -$ 
--  $2*B*C*cos(A)$ 
```

```
Observation.Sides (Point1_Point2) :=
  Square_Root
    (Observation.Sides (Observer_Point1)**2 +
     Observation.Sides (Observer_Point2)**2 +
     2.0 * Observation.Sides (Observer_Point1) *
      Observation.Sides (Observer_Point2) *
      Cosine (Observation.Vertices (Observer)));
```

- But that only shortens the problem, not simplifies it

- If there are multiple "use" clauses in scope:

- Reviewer may have hard time finding the correct definition
- Homographs may cause ambiguous reference errors

- We want the ability to refer to certain entities by another name (like an alias) with full read/write access (unlike temporary variables)



# The **renames** Keyword

- Certain entities can be renamed within a declarative region

- Packages

```
package Trig renames Math.Trigonometry
```

- Objects (or elements of objects)

```
Angles : Viewpoint_Types.Vertices_Array_T  
        renames Observation.Vertices;  
Required_Angle : Viewpoint_Types.Vertices_T  
               renames Viewpoint_Types.Observer;
```

- Subprograms

```
function Sqrt (X : Base_Types.Float_T)  
            return Base_Types.Float_T  
            renames Math.Square_Root;
```

# Writing Readable Code - Part 2

- With `renames` our complicated code example is easier to understand

```
begin
  package Math renames Math_Uilities;
  package Trig renames Math.Trigonometry;

  function Sqrt (X : Base_Types.Float_T) return Base_Types.Float_T
    renames Math.Square_Root;

  Side1      : Base_Types.Float_T
    renames Observation.Sides (Viewpoint_Types.Observer_Point1);
  -- Rename the others as Side2, Angles, Required_Angle, Desired_Side
begin
  ...
  -- use cosine rule to determine distance between two points, given angle
  -- and distances between observer and 2 points  $A^2 = B^2 + C^2 -$ 
  --  $2*B*C*cos(A)$ 
  Desired_Side :=
    Sqrt (Side1**2 + Side2**2 +
          2.0 * Side1 * Side2 * Trig.Cosine (Angles (Required_Angle)));
end;
```

## Lab

# Visibility Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a types package for calculating speed in miles per hour
  - At least two different distance measurements (e.g. feet, kilometers)
  - At least two different time measurements (e.g. seconds, minutes)
  - Overloaded operators and/or primitives to handle calculations
- Create a types child package for converting distance, time, and mph into a string
  - Use `Ada.Text_IO.Float_IO` package to convert floating point to string
  - Create visible global objects to set **Exp** and **Aft** parameters for Put
- Create a main program to enter distance and time and then print speed value

## ■ Hints

- use to get full visibility to **Ada.Text\_IO**
- use `type` to get access to calculations
  - use `all` type if calculations are primitives
- `renames` to make using **Exp** and **Aft** easier

# Visibility Lab Solution - Types

```
package Types is
  type Mph_T is digits 6;
  type Feet_T is digits 6;
  type Miles_T is digits 6;
  type Kilometers_T is digits 6;
  type Seconds_T is digits 6;
  type Minutes_T is digits 6;
  type Hours_T is digits 6;

  function "/" (Distance : Feet_T; Time : Seconds_T) return Mph_T;
  function "/" (Distance : Kilometers_T; Time : Minutes_T) return Mph_T;
  function "/" (Distance : Miles_T; Time : Hours_T) return Mph_T;

  function Convert (Distance : Feet_T) return Miles_T;
  function Convert (Distance : Kilometers_T) return Miles_T;
  function Convert (Time : Seconds_T) return Hours_T;
  function Convert (Time : Minutes_T) return Hours_T;
end Types;

package body Types is
  function "/" (Distance : Feet_T; Time : Seconds_T) return Mph_T is (Convert (Distance) / Convert (Time));
  function "/" (Distance : Kilometers_T; Time : Minutes_T) return Mph_T is (Convert (Distance) / Convert (Time));
  function "/" (Distance : Miles_T; Time : Hours_T) return Mph_T is (Mph_T (Distance) / Mph_T (Time));

  function Convert (Distance : Feet_T) return Miles_T is (Miles_T (Distance) / 5_280.0);
  function Convert (Distance : Kilometers_T) return Miles_T is (Miles_T (Distance) / 1.6);

  function Convert (Time : Seconds_T) return Hours_T is (Hours_T (Time) / (60.0 * 60.0));
  function Convert (Time : Minutes_T) return Hours_T is (Hours_T (Time) / 60.0);
end Types;
```

# Visibility Lab Solution - Types.Strings

```

package Types.Strings is
  Exponent_Digits    : Natural := 2;
  Digits_After_Decimal : Natural := 3;

  function To_String (Value : Mph_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Feet_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Miles_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Kilometers_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Seconds_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Minutes_T) return String;
  function To_String (Value : Hours_T) return String;
end Types.Strings;

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
package body Types.Strings is
  package Io is new Ada.Text_IO.Float_IO (Float);
  function To_String (Value : Float) return String is
    Ret_Val : String (1 .. 30);
  begin
    Io.Put (To   => Ret_Val,
           Item => Value,
           Aft  => Digits_After_Decimal,
           Exp  => Exponent_Digits);
    for I in reverse Ret_Val'Range loop
      if Ret_Val (I) = ' ' then
        return Ret_Val (I + 1 .. Ret_Val'Last);
      end if;
    end loop;
    return Ret_Val;
  end To_String;

  function To_String (Value : Mph_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Feet_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Miles_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Kilometers_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Seconds_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Minutes_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
  function To_String (Value : Hours_T) return String is (To_String (Float (Value)));
end Types.Strings;

```

# Visibility Lab Solution - Main

```

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Types;       use Types;
with Types.Strings;
procedure Main is
  Aft : Integer renames Types.Strings.Digits_After_Decimal;
  Exp : Integer renames Types.Strings.Exponent_Digits;

  Feet      : Feet_T;
  Miles     : Miles_T;
  Kilometers : Kilometers_T;
  Seconds   : Seconds_T;
  Minutes   : Minutes_T;
  Hours     : Hours_T;
  Mph       : Mph_T;

  function Get (Prompt : String) return String is
  begin
    Put (Prompt & "> ");
    return Get_Line;
  end Get;

begin
  Feet      := Feet_T'Value (Get ("Feet"));
  Miles     := Miles_T'Value (Get ("Miles"));
  Kilometers := Kilometers_T'Value (Get ("Kilometers"));

  Seconds := Seconds_T'Value (Get ("Seconds"));
  Minutes := Minutes_T'Value (Get ("Minutes"));
  Hours   := Hours_T'Value (Get ("Hours"));

  Aft := 2;
  Exp := 2;
  Mph := Feet / Seconds;
  Put_Line (Strings.To_String (Feet) & " feet / " & Strings.To_String (Seconds) &
    " seconds = " & Strings.To_String (Mph) & " mph");
  Aft := Aft + 1;
  Exp := Exp + 1;
  Mph := Miles / Hours;
  Put_Line (Strings.To_String (Miles) & " miles / " & Strings.To_String (Hours) &
    " hour = " & Strings.To_String (Mph) & " mph");
  Aft := Aft + 1;
  Exp := Exp + 1;
  Mph := Kilometers / Minutes;
  Put_Line (Strings.To_String (Kilometers) & " km / " & Strings.To_String (Minutes) &
    " minute = " & Strings.To_String (Mph) & " mph");
end Main;

```

## Summary



# Summary

Ada 2012

- **use** clauses are not evil but can be abused
  - Can make it difficult for others to understand code
- **use all type** clauses are more likely in practice than **use type** clauses
  - Only available in Ada 2012 and later
- **Renames** allow us to alias entities to make code easier to read
  - Subprogram renaming has many other uses, such as adding / removing default parameter values

# Access Types

## Introduction

# Access Types Design

- Memory addresses objects are called *access types*
- Objects are associated to *pools* of memory
  - With different allocation / deallocation policies
- Access objects are **guaranteed** to always be meaningful
  - In the absence of `Unchecked_Deallocation`
  - And if pool-specific

## ■ Ada

```
type Integer_Pool_Access
  is access Integer;
P_A : Integer_Pool_Access
  := new Integer;
```

## ■ C++

```
int * P_C = malloc (sizeof (int));
int * P_CPP = new int;
int * G_C = &Some_Int;
```

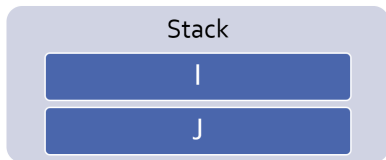
```
type Integer_General_Access
  is access all Integer;
G : aliased Integer
G_A : Integer_General_Access := G'access;
```

# Access Types Can Be Dangerous

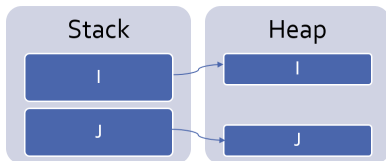
- Multiple memory issues
  - Leaks / corruptions
- Introduces potential random failures complicated to analyze
- Increase the complexity of the data structures
- May decrease the performances of the application
  - Dereferences are slightly more expensive than direct access
  - Allocations are a lot more expensive than stacking objects
- Ada avoids using accesses as much as possible
  - Arrays are not pointers
  - Parameters are implicitly passed by reference
- Only use them when needed

# Stack vs Heap

```
I : Integer := 0;  
J : String := "Some Long String";
```



```
I : Access_Int := new Integer'(0);  
J : Access_Str := new String'("Some Long String");
```



## Access Types

# Declaration Location

- Can be at library level

```
package P is
  type String_Access is access String;
end P;
```

- Can be nested in a procedure

```
package body P is
  procedure Proc is
    type String_Access is access String;
  begin
    ...
  end Proc;
end P;
```

- Nesting adds non-trivial issues

- Creates a nested pool with a nested accessibility
- Don't do that unless you know what you are doing! (see later)



# Null Values

- A pointer that does not point to any actual data has a **null** value
- Without an initialization, a pointer is **null** by default
- **null** can be used in assignments and comparisons

**declare**

```
type Acc is access all Integer;
```

```
V : Acc;
```

**begin**

```
if V = null then
```

```
    -- will go here
```

```
end if
```

```
V := new Integer'(0);
```

```
V := null; -- semantically correct, but memory leak
```

# Access Types and Primitives

- Subprogram using an access type are primitive of the **access type**
  - **Not** the type of the accessed object

```
type A_T is access all T;  
procedure Proc (V : A_T); -- Primitive of A_T, not T
```

- Primitive of the type can be created with the **access** mode
  - **Anonymous** access type

```
procedure Proc (V : access T); -- Primitive of T
```

# Dereferencing Pointers

- `.all` does the access dereference
  - Lets you access the object pointed to by the pointer
- `.all` is optional for
  - Access on a component of an array
  - Access on a component of a record

## Dereference Examples

```
type R is record
  F1, F2 : Integer;
end record;
type A_Int is access Integer;
type A_String is access all String;
type A_R is access R;
V_Int      : A_Int := new Integer;
V_String   : A_String := new String("abc");
V_R        : A_R := new R;

V_Int.all := 0;
V_String.all := "cde";
V_String(1) := 'z'; -- similar to V_String.all(1) := 'z';
V_R.all := (0, 0);
V_R.F1 := 1; -- similar to V_R.all.F1 := 1;
```

## Pool-Specific Access Types

## Pool-Specific Access Type

- An access type is a type

```
type T is [...]  
type T_Access is access T;  
V : T_Access := new T;
```

- Conversion is **not** possible between pool-specific access types

# Allocations

- Objects are created with the **new** reserved word
- The created object must be constrained
  - The constraint is given during the allocation

```
V : String_Access := new String (1 .. 10);
```

- The object can be created by copying an existing object - using a qualifier

```
V : String_Access := new String'("This is a String");
```

# Deallocations

- Deallocations are unsafe
  - Multiple deallocations problems
  - Memory corruptions
  - Access to deallocated objects
- As soon as you use them, you lose the safety of your pointers
- But sometimes, you have to do what you have to do ...
  - There's no simple way of doing it
  - Ada provides **Ada.Unchecked\_Deallocation**
  - Has to be instantiated (it's a generic)
  - Must work on an object, reset to `null` afterwards



## Deallocation Example

```
-- generic used to deallocate memory
with Ada.Unchecked_Deallocation;
procedure P is
  type An_Access is access A_Type;
  -- create instances of deallocation function
  -- (object type, access type)
  procedure Free is new Ada.Unchecked_Deallocation
    (A_Type, An_Access);
  V : An_Access := new A_Type;
begin
  Free (V);
  -- V is now null
end P;
```

## General Access Types

## General Access Types

- Can point to any pool (including stack)

```
type T is [...]  
type T_Access is access all T;  
V : T_Access := new T;
```

- Still distinct type
- Conversions are possible

```
type T_Access_2 is access all T;  
V2 : T_Access_2 := T_Access_2 (V); -- legal
```

# Referencing The Stack

- By default, stack-allocated objects cannot be referenced - and can even be optimized into a register by the compiler
- **aliased** declares an object to be referenceable through an access value

```
V : aliased Integer;
```

- 'Access attribute gives a reference to the object

```
A : Int_Access := V'Access;
```

- 'Unchecked\_Access does it **without checks**

# Aliased Objects Examples

```
type Acc is access all Integer;
V, G : Acc;
I : aliased Integer;
...
V := I'Access;
V.all := 5; -- Same as I := 5
...
procedure P1 is
  I : aliased Integer;
begin
  G := I'Unchecked_Access;
  P2;
end P1;

procedure P2 is
begin
  -- OK when P2 called from P1.
  -- What if P2 is called from elsewhere?
  G.all := 5;
end P2;
```

# Quiz

```
type One_T is access all Integer;  
type Two_T is access Integer;
```

```
A : aliased Integer;  
B : Integer;
```

```
One : One_T;  
Two : Two_T;
```

Which assignment is legal?

- ☐ A. One := B'Access;
- ☐ B. One := A'Access;
- ☐ C. Two := B'Access;
- ☐ D. Two := A'Access;

# Quiz

```
type One_T is access all Integer;  
type Two_T is access Integer;
```

```
A : aliased Integer;  
B : Integer;
```

```
One : One_T;  
Two : Two_T;
```

Which assignment is legal?

- ☐ A. One := B'Access;
- ☐ B. **One := A'Access;**
- ☐ C. Two := B'Access;
- ☐ D. Two := A'Access;

'Access is only allowed for general access types (One\_T). To use 'Access on an object, the object must be **aliased**.

## Accessibility Checks



# Introduction to Accessibility Checks (1/2)

- The **depth** of an object depends on its nesting within declarative scopes

```
package body P is
  -- Library level, depth 0
  O0 : aliased Integer;
  procedure Proc is
    -- Library level subprogram, depth 1
    type Acc1 is access all Integer;
    procedure Nested is
      -- Nested subprogram, enclosing + 1, here 2
      O2 : aliased Integer;
```

- Objects can be referenced by access **types** that are at **same depth or deeper**
  - An **access scope** must be  $\leq$  the object scope
- **type** Acc1 (depth 1) can access O0 (depth 0) but not O2 (depth 2)
- The compiler checks it statically
  - Removing checks is a workaround!
- Note: Subprogram library units are at **depth 1** and not 0

# Introduction to Accessibility Checks (2/2)

```
package body P is
  type T0 is access all Integer;
  A0 : T0;
  V0 : aliased Integer;
  procedure Proc is
    type T1 is access all Integer;
    A1 : T1;
    V1 : aliased Integer;
  Begin
    A0 := V0'Access;
    A0 := V1'Access; -- illegal
    A0 := V1'Unchecked_Access;
    A1 := V0'Access;
    A1 := V1'Access;
    A1 := T1 (A0);
    A1 := new Integer;
    A0 := T0 (A1); -- illegal
  end Proc;
end P;
```

- To avoid having to face these issues, avoid nested access types

# Getting Around Accessibility Checks

- Sometimes it is OK to use unsafe accesses to data
- 'Unchecked\_Access allows access to a variable of an incompatible accessibility level
- Beware of potential problems!

```
type Acc is access all Integer;  
G : Acc;  
procedure P is  
  V : aliased Integer;  
begin  
  G := V'Unchecked_Access;  
  ...  
  Do_Something ( G.all ); -- This is "reasonable"  
end P;
```

## Using Pointers For Recursive Structures

- It is not possible to declare recursive structure
- But there can be an access to the enclosing type

```
type Cell; -- partial declaration
type Cell_Access is access all Cell;
type Cell is record -- full declaration
    Next      : Cell_Access;
    Some_Value : Integer;
end record;
```

# Quiz

```
type Global_Access_T is access all Integer;  
Global_Pointer : Global_Access_T;  
Global_Object  : aliased Integer;  
procedure Proc_Access is  
  type Local_Access_T is access all Integer;  
  Local_Pointer : Local_Access_T;  
  Local_Object  : aliased Integer;  
begin
```

Which assignment is illegal?

- ☐ A. Global\_Pointer := Global\_Object'Access;
- ☐ B. Global\_Pointer := Local\_Object'Access;
- ☐ C. Local\_Pointer := Global\_Object'Access;
- ☐ D. Local\_Pointer := Local\_Object'Access;

# Quiz

```
type Global_Access_T is access all Integer;  
Global_Pointer : Global_Access_T;  
Global_Object  : aliased Integer;  
procedure Proc_Access is  
  type Local_Access_T is access all Integer;  
  Local_Pointer : Local_Access_T;  
  Local_Object  : aliased Integer;  
begin
```

Which assignment is illegal?

- ☐ A. `Global_Pointer := Global_Object'Access;`
- ☒ B. `Global_Pointer := Local_Object'Access;`
- ☐ C. `Local_Pointer := Global_Object'Access;`
- ☐ D. `Local_Pointer := Local_Object'Access;`

Explanations

- ☒ A. Pointer type has same depth as object
- ☐ B. Pointer type is not allowed to have higher level than pointed-to object
- ☐ C. Pointer type has lower depth than pointed-to object
- ☐ D. Pointer type has same depth as object

## Memory Management

# Common Memory Problems (1/3)

## ■ Uninitialized pointers

```
declare
  type An_Access is access all Integer;
  V : An_Access;
begin
  V.all := 5; -- constraint error
```

## ■ Double deallocation

```
declare
  type An_Access is access all Integer;
  procedure Free is new
    Ada.Unchecked_Deallocation (Integer, An_Access);
  V1 : An_Access := new Integer;
  V2 : An_Access := V1;
begin
  Free (V1);
  ...
  Free (V2);
```

- May raise `Storage_Error` if memory is still protected (unallocated)
- May deallocate a different object if memory has been reallocated
  - Putting that object in an inconsistent state



## Common Memory Problems (2/3)

- Accessing deallocated memory

```
declare
  type An_Access is access all Integer;
  procedure Free is new
    Ada.Unchecked_Deallocation (Integer, An_Access);
  V1 : An_Access := new Integer;
  V2 : An_Access := V1;
begin
  Free (V1);
  ...
  V2.all := 5;
```

- May raise `Storage_Error` if memory is still protected (unallocated)
- May modify a different object if memory has been reallocated (putting that object in an inconsistent state)

## Common Memory Problems (3/3)

- Memory leaks

```
declare
  type An_Access is access all Integer;
  procedure Free is new
    Ada.Unchecked_Deallocation (Integer, An_Access);
  V : An_Access := new Integer;
begin
  V := null;
```

- Silent problem

- Might raise `Storage_Error` if too many leaks
- Might slow down the program if too many page faults

# How To Fix Memory Problems?

- There is no language-defined solution
- Use the debugger!
- Use additional tools
  - `gnatmem` monitor memory leaks
  - `valgrind` monitor all the dynamic memory
  - **GNAT.Debug\_Pools** gives a pool for an access type, raising explicit exception in case of invalid access
  - Others...

## Anonymous Access Types

# Anonymous Access Parameters

- Parameter modes are of 4 types: **in**, **out**, **in out**, **access**
- The access mode is called *anonymous access type*
  - Anonymous access is implicitly general (no need for **all**)
- When used:
  - Any named access can be passed as parameter
  - Any anonymous access can be passed as parameter

```
type Acc is access all Integer;  
Aliased_Integer : aliased Integer;  
Access_Object   : Acc := Aliased_Integer'access;  
procedure P1 (Anon_Access : access Integer) is null;  
procedure P2 (Access_Parameter : access Integer) is  
begin  
    P1 (Aliased_Integer'access);  
    P1 (Access_Object);  
    P1 (Access_Parameter);  
end P2;
```

# Anonymous Access Types

- Other places can declare an anonymous access

```
function F return access Integer;  
V : access Integer;  
type T (V : access Integer) is record  
    C : access Integer;  
end record;  
type A is array (Integer range <>) of access Integer;
```

- Do not use them without a clear understanding of accessibility check rules

# Anonymous Access Constants

- **constant** (instead of **all**) denotes an access type through which the referenced object cannot be modified

```
type CAcc is access constant Integer;  
G1 : aliased Integer;  
G2 : aliased constant Integer := 123;  
V1 : CAcc := G1'Access;  
V2 : CAcc := G2'Access;  
V1.all := 0; -- illegal
```

- **not null** denotes an access type for which null value cannot be accepted

- Available in Ada 2005 and later

```
type NAcc is not null access Integer;  
V : NAcc := null; -- illegal
```

- Also works for subprogram parameters

```
procedure Bar ( V1 : access constant integer);  
procedure Foo ( V1 : not null access integer); -- Ada 2005
```

## Lab



# Access Types Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a datastore containing an array of records
  - Each record contains an array to store strings
  - Interface to the array consists *only* of functions that return an element of the array (Input parameter would be the array index)
- Main program should allow the user to specify an index and a string
  - String gets appended to end of string pointer array
  - When data entry is complete, print only the elements of the array that have data

## ■ Hints

- Interface functions need to pass back pointer to array element
  - For safety, create a function to return a modifiable pointer and another to return a read-only pointer
- Cannot create array of variable length strings, so use pointers

# Access Types Lab Solution - Datastore

```
package Datastore is
  type String_Ptr_T is access String;
  type History_T is array (1 .. 10) of String_Ptr_T;
  type Element_T is record
    History : History_T;
  end record;
  type Reference_T is access all Element_T;
  type Constant_Reference_T is access constant Element_T;

  subtype Index_T is Integer range 1 .. 100;
  function Object (Index : Index_T) return Reference_T;
  function View (Index : Index_T) return Constant_Reference_T;

end Datastore;

package body Datastore is
  type Array_T is array (Index_T) of aliased Element_T;
  Global_Data : aliased Array_T;

  function Object (Index : Index_T) return Reference_T is
    (Global_Data (Index)'Access);

  function View (Index : Index_T) return Constant_Reference_T is
    (Global_Data (Index)'Access);
end Datastore;
```

# Access Types Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Datastore;   use Datastore;
procedure Main is
  function Get (Prompt : String) return String is
  begin
    Put (" " & Prompt & "> ");
    return Get_Line;
  end Get;

  procedure Add (History : in out Datastore.History_T;
    Text : in String) is
  begin
    for Event of History loop
      if Event = null then
        Event := new String'(Text);
        exit;
      end if;
    end loop;
  end Add;

  Index : Integer;
  Object : Datastore.Constant_Reference_T;

begin
  loop
    Index := Integer'Value (Get ("Enter index"));
    exit when Index not in Datastore.Index_T'Range;
    Add (Datastore.Object (Index).History, Get ("Text"));
  end loop;

  for I in Index_T'Range loop
    Object := Datastore.View (I);
    if Object.History (I) /= null then
      Put_Line (Integer'Image (I) & ">");
      for Item of Object.History loop
        exit when Item = null;
        Put_Line (" " & Item.all);
      end loop;
    end if;
  end loop;
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Access types are the same as C/C++ pointers
- There are usually better ways of memory management
  - Language has its own ways with dealing with large objects passed as parameters
  - Language has libraries dedicated to memory allocation / deallocation
- At a minimum, create your own generics to do allocation / deallocation
  - Minimize memory leakage and corruption

# Genericity

# Introduction

# The Notion of a Pattern

- Sometimes algorithms can be abstracted from types and subprograms

```
procedure Swap_Int ( Left, Right : in out Integer) is
  V : Integer;
begin
  V := Left;
  Left := Right;
  Right := V;
end Swap_Int;
```

```
procedure Swap_Bool (Left, Right : in out Boolean) is
  V : Boolean;
begin
  V := Left;
  Left := Right;
  Right := V;
end Swap_Bool;
```

- It would be nice to extract these properties in some common pattern, and then just replace the parts that need to be replaced

```
procedure Swap (Left, Right : in out (Integer | Boolean)) is
  V : (Integer | Boolean);
begin
  V := Left;
  Left := Right;
  Right := V;
end Swap;
```



## Solution: Generics

- A *generic unit* is a unit that does not exist
- It is a pattern based on properties
- The instantiation applies the pattern to certain parameters

# Ada Generic Compared to C++ Template

## ■ Ada Generic

-- *specification*

**generic**

**type** T **is private**;

**procedure** Swap

  (L, R : **in out** T);

-- *implementation*

**procedure** Swap

  (L, R : **in out** T) **is**

    Tmp : T := L

**begin**

  L := R;

  R := Tmp;

**end** Swap;

-- *instance*

**procedure** Swap\_F **is new** Swap (Float);

## ■ C++ Template

**template** <**class** T>

**void** Swap (T & L, T & R);

**template** <**class** T>

**void** Swap (T & L, T & R) {

  T Tmp = L;

  L = R;

  R = Tmp;

}

## Creating Generics

# What Can Be Made Generic?

- Subprograms and packages can be made generic

```
generic
  type T is private;
procedure Swap (L, R : in out T)
generic
  type T is private;
package Stack is
  procedure Push ( Item : T );
  ...
```

- Children of generic units have to be generic themselves

```
generic
package Stack.Utilities is
  procedure Print is
```

## How Do You Use A Generic?

- Generic instantiation is creating new set of data where a generic package contains library-level variables:

```
package Integer_stack is new Stack ( Integer );  
package Integer_Stack_Utils is  
    new Integer_Stack.Utilities;  
...  
Integer_Stack.Push ( 1 );  
Integer_Stack_Utils.Print;
```

## Generic Data

## Generic Types Parameters (1/2)

- A generic parameter is a template
- It specifies the properties the generic body can rely on

**generic**

```
type T1 is private; -- should have properties
                    -- of private type (assignment,
                    -- comparison, able to declare
                    -- variables on the stack...)

type T2 (<>) is private; -- can be unconstrained
type T3 is limited private; -- can be limited
package Parent is [...]
```

- The actual parameter must provide at least as many properties as the *generic contract*

## Generic Types Parameters (2/2)

- The usage in the generic has to follow the contract

```
generic
  type T (<>) is private;
procedure P (V : T);
procedure P (V : T) is
  X1 : T := V; -- OK, can constrain by initialization
  X2 : T;      -- Compilation error, no constraint to this
begin
  ...
  type L_T is limited null record;
  ...
  -- unconstrained types are accepted
procedure P1 is new P (String);
  -- type is already constrained
procedure P2 is new P (Integer);
  -- Illegal: the type can't be limited because the generic
  -- is allowed to make copies
procedure P3 is new P (L_T);
```



## Possible Properties for Generic Types

```
type T1 is (<>); -- discrete
type T2 is range <>; -- integer
type T3 is digits <>; -- float
type T4 (<>); -- indefinite
type T5 is tagged;
type T6 is array ( Boolean ) of Integer;
type T7 is access integer;
type T8 (<>) is [limited] private;
```

# Generic Parameters Can Be Combined

- Consistency is checked at compile-time

**generic**

```
type T (<>) is limited private;  
type Acc is access all T;  
type Index is (<>);  
type Arr is array (Index range <>) of Acc;
```

**procedure** P;

```
type String_Ptr is access all String;  
type String_Array is array (Integer range <>)  
  of String_Ptr;
```

**procedure** P\_String is new P

```
(T      => String,  
 Acc    => String_Ptr,  
 Index  => Integer,  
 Arr    => String_Array);
```

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T is tagged;
  type T2;
procedure G_P;

type Tag is tagged null record;
type Arr is array (Positive range <>) of Tag;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. procedure P is new G\_P (Tag, Arr)
- ☐ B. procedure P is new G\_P (Arr, Tag)
- ☐ C. procedure P is new G\_P (Tag, Tag)
- ☐ D. procedure P is new G\_P (Arr, Arr)

# Quiz

```
generic
    type T is tagged;
    type T2;
procedure G_P;

type Tag is tagged null record;
type Arr is array (Positive range <>) of Tag;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☒ A. *procedure P is new G\_P (Tag, Arr)*
- ☐ B. procedure P is new G\_P (Arr, Tag)
- ☒ C. *procedure P is new G\_P (Tag, Tag)*
- ☐ D. procedure P is new G\_P (Arr, Arr)

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T1 is (<>);
  type T2 (<>) is private;
procedure G
  (A : T1;
   B : T2);
```

Which is an illegal instantiation?

- ☐ A. `procedure A is new G (String, Character);`
- ☐ B. `procedure B is new G (Character, Integer);`
- ☐ C. `procedure C is new G (Integer, Boolean);`
- ☐ D. `procedure D is new G (Boolean, String);`

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T1 is (<>);
  type T2 (<>) is private;
procedure G
  (A : T1;
   B : T2);
```

Which is an illegal instantiation?

- A.** *procedure A is new G (String, Character);*
- B.** procedure B is new G (Character, Integer);
- C.** procedure C is new G (Integer, Boolean);
- D.** procedure D is new G (Boolean, String);

T1 must be discrete - so an integer or an enumeration. T2 can be any type

## Generic Formal Data

# Generic Constants and Variables Parameters

- Variables can be specified on the generic contract
- The mode specifies the way the variable can be used:
  - **in** → read only
  - **in out** → read write
- Generic variables can be defined after generic types

```
generic
  type T is private;
  X1 : Integer;  -- constant
  X2 : in out T; -- variable
procedure P;

V : Float;

procedure P_I is new P
  (T  => Float,
   X1 => 42,
   X2 => V);
```



# Generic Subprogram Parameters

- Subprograms can be defined in the generic contract
- Must be introduced by **with** to differ from the generic unit

```
generic
    with procedure Callback;
procedure P;
procedure P is
begin
    Callback;
end P;
procedure Something;
procedure P_I is new P (Something);
```

# Generic Subprogram Parameters Defaults

Ada 2005

- **is <>** - matching subprogram is taken by default
- **is null** - null subprogram is taken by default
  - Only available in Ada 2005 and later

```
generic
  with procedure Callback1 is <>;
  with procedure Callback2 is null;
procedure P;
procedure Callback1;
procedure P_I is new P;
-- takes Callback1 and null
```

## Generic Package Parameters

- A generic unit can depend on the instance of another generic unit
- Parameters of the instantiation can be constrained partially or completely

```
generic
```

```
    type T1 is private;
```

```
    type T2 is private;
```

```
package Base is [...]
```

```
generic
```

```
    with package B is new Base (Integer, <>);
```

```
    V : B.T2;
```

```
package Other [...]
```

```
package Base_I is new Base (Integer, Float);
```

```
package Other_I is new Other (Base_I, 56.7);
```

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T is (<>);
  G_A : in out T;
procedure G_P;

type I is new Integer;
type E is (OK, NOK);
type F is new Float;
X : I;
Y : E;
Z : F;
```

Which of the following piece(s) of code is(are) legal?

- ☐ A. `procedure P is new G_P (I, X)`
- ☐ B. `procedure P is new G_P (E, Y)`
- ☐ C. `procedure P is new G_P (I, E'Pos (Y))`
- ☐ D. `procedure P is new G_P (F, Z)`

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T is (<>);
  G_A : in out T;
procedure G_P;

type I is new Integer;
type E is (OK, NOK);
type F is new Float;
X : I;
Y : E;
Z : F;
```

Which of the following piece(s) of code is(are) legal?

- ☒ A. `procedure P is new G_P (I, X)`
- ☒ B. `procedure P is new G_P (E, Y)`
- ☐ C. `procedure P is new G_P (I, E'Pos (Y))`
- ☐ D. `procedure P is new G_P (F, Z)`

# Quiz

```
generic
  type L is limited private;
  type P is private;
procedure G_P;

type Lim is limited null record;
type Int is new Integer;

type Rec is record
  L : Lim;
  I : Int;
end record;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☒ A. procedure P is new G\_P (Lim, Int)
- ☐ B. procedure P is new G\_P (Int, Rec)
- ☐ C. procedure P is new G\_P (Rec, Rec)
- ☐ D. procedure P is new G\_P (Int, Int)

# Quiz

```
generic
  type L is limited private;
  type P is private;
procedure G_P;

type Lim is limited null record;
type Int is new Integer;

type Rec is record
  L : Lim;
  I : Int;
end record;
```

Which declaration(s) is(are) legal?

- ☒ *procedure P is new G\_P (Lim, Int)*
- ☐ procedure P is new G\_P (Int, Rec)
- ☐ procedure P is new G\_P (Rec, Rec)
- ☒ *procedure P is new G\_P (Int, Int)*

# Quiz

Ada 2005

```
1  procedure P1 (X : in out Integer); -- add 100 to X
2  procedure P2 (X : in out Integer); -- add 20 to X
3  procedure P3 (X : in out Integer); -- add 3 to X
4  generic
5      with procedure P1 (X : in out Integer) is <>;
6      with procedure P2 (X : in out Integer) is null;
7  procedure G ( P : integer );
8  procedure G ( P : integer ) is
9      X : integer := P;
10 begin
11     P1(X);
12     P2(X);
13     Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ( X'Image );
14 end G;
15 procedure Instance is new G ( P1 => P3 );
```

What is printed when Instance  
is called?

- A. 100
- B. 120
- C. 3
- D. 103



# Quiz

Ada 2005

```

1  procedure P1 ( X : in out Integer); -- add 100 to X
2  procedure P2 ( X : in out Integer); -- add 20 to X
3  procedure P3 ( X : in out Integer); -- add 3 to X
4  generic
5      with procedure P1 ( X : in out Integer) is <>;
6      with procedure P2 ( X : in out Integer) is null;
7  procedure G ( P : integer );
8  procedure G ( P : integer ) is
9      X : integer := P;
10 begin
11     P1(X);
12     P2(X);
13     Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ( X'Image );
14 end G;
15 procedure Instance is new G ( P1 => P3 );

```

What is printed when Instance  
is called?

- A. 100
- B. 120
- C. 3
- D. 103

## Explanations

- A. Wrong - result for  
`procedure Instance is new G;`
- B. Wrong - result for  
`procedure Instance is new G(P1,P2);`
- C. P1 at line 12 is mapped to P3 at line 3, and P2 at line 14 wasn't specified so it defaults to `null`
- D. Wrong - result for  
`procedure Instance is new G(P2=>P3);`

## Generic Completion

## Implications at Compile-Time

- The body needs to be visible when compiling the user code
- Therefore, when distributing a component with generics to be instantiated, the code of the generic must come along

# Generic and Freezing Points

- A generic type **freezes** the type and needs the **full view**
- May force separation between its declaration (in spec) and instantiations (in private or body)

```
generic
```

```
    type X is private;
```

```
package Base is
```

```
    V : access X;
```

```
end Base;
```

```
package P is
```

```
    type X is private;
```

```
    -- illegal
```

```
    package B is new Base (X);
```

```
private
```

```
    type X is null record;
```

```
end P;
```

# Generic Incomplete Parameters

- A generic type can be incomplete
- Allows generic instantiations before full type definition
- Restricts the possible usages (only **access**)

```
generic
  type X; -- incomplete
package Base is
  V : access X;
end Base;

package P is
  type X is private;
  -- legal
  package B is new Base (X);
private
  type X is null record;
end P;
```

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T1;
  A1 : access T1;
  type T2 is private;
  A2, B2 : T2;
procedure G_P;
procedure G_P is
begin
  -- Complete here
end G_P;
```

Which of the following statement(s) is(are) valid for G\_P's body?

- ☐ A. pragma Assert (A1 /= null)
- ☐ B. pragma Assert (A1.all'Size > 32)
- ☐ C. pragma Assert (A2 = B2)
- ☐ D. pragma Assert (A2 - B2 /= 0)

# Quiz

```
generic
  type T1;
  A1 : access T1;
  type T2 is private;
  A2, B2 : T2;
procedure G_P;
procedure G_P is
begin
  -- Complete here
end G_P;
```

Which of the following statement(s) is(are) valid for G\_P's body?

- ☒ A. `pragma Assert (A1 /= null)`
- ☐ B. `pragma Assert (A1.all'Size > 32)`
- ☒ C. `pragma Assert (A2 = B2)`
- ☐ D. `pragma Assert (A2 - B2 /= 0)`

## Lab



# Genericity Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a list ADT to hold any type of data
  - Operations should include adding to the list and sorting the list
- Create a record structure containing multiple fields
- The **main** program should:
  - Allow the addition of multiple records into the list
  - Sort the list
  - Print the list

## ■ Hints

- Sort routine will need to know how to compare elements

# Genericity Lab Solution - Generic (Spec)

```
generic
  type Element_T is private;
  Max_Size : Natural;
  with function "<" (L, R : Element_T) return Boolean is <>;
package Generic_List is

  type List_T is tagged private;

  procedure Add (This : in out List_T;
                 Item : in Element_T);
  procedure Sort (This : in out List_T);

private
  subtype Index_T is Natural range 0 .. Max_Size;
  type List_Array_T is array (1 .. Index_T'Last) of Element_T;

  type List_T is tagged record
    Values : List_Array_T;
    Length : Index_T := 0;
  end record;
end Generic_List;
```

# Genericity Lab Solution - Generic (Body)

```
package body Generic_List is

  procedure Add (This : in out List_T;
                Item : in    Element_T) is
  begin
    This.Length      := This.Length + 1;
    This.Values (This.Length) := Item;
  end Add;

  procedure Sort (This : in out List_T) is
    Temp : Element_T;
  begin
    for I in 1 .. This.Length loop
      for J in I + 1 .. This.Length loop
        if This.Values (J) < This.Values (J - 1) then
          Temp          := This.Values (J);
          This.Values (J) := This.Values (J - 1);
          This.Values (J - 1) := Temp;
        end if;
      end loop;
    end loop;
  end Sort;
end Generic_List;
```

## Genericity Lab Solution - Generic Output

```
generic
  with function Image (Element : Element_T) return String;
package Generic_List.Output is
  procedure Print (List : List_T);
end Generic_List.Output;

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
package body Generic_List.Output is
  procedure Print (List : List_T) is
  begin
    for I in 1 .. List.Length loop
      Put_Line (Integer'Image (I) & ") " &
                Image (List.Values (I)));
    end loop;
  end Print;
end Generic_List.Output;
```

# Genericity Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Data_Type;
with Generic_List;
with Generic_List.Output;
use type Data_Type.Record_T;
procedure Main is
  package List is new Generic_List (Data_Type.Record_T, 10);
  package Output is new List.Output (Data_Type.Image);

  My_List : List.List_T;
  Element : Data_Type.Record_T;

begin
  loop
    Put ("Enter character: ");
    declare
      Str : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      exit when Str'Length = 0;
      Element.Field2 := Str (1);
    end;
    Put ("Enter number: ");
    declare
      Str : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      exit when Str'Length = 0;
      Element.Field1 := Integer'Value (Str);
    end;
    My_List.Add (Element);
  end loop;

  My_List.Sort;
  Output.Print (My_List);
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Generic Routines vs Common Routines

```
package Helper is
  type Float_T is digits 6;
  generic
    type Type_T is digits <>;
    Min : Type_T;
    Max : Type_T;
  function In_Range_Generic (X : Type_T) return Boolean;
  function In_Range_Common (X      : Float_T;
                           Min : Float_T;
                           Max : Float_T)
    return Boolean;
end Helper;

procedure User is
  type Speed_T is new Float_T range 0.0 .. 100.0;
  B : Boolean;
  function Valid_Speed is new In_Range_Generic
    (Speed_T, Speed_T'First, Speed_T'Last);
begin
  B := Valid_Speed (12.3);
  B := In_Range_Common (12.3, Speed_T'First, Speed_T'Last);
```

# Summary

- Generics are useful for copying code that works the same just for different types
  - Sorting, containers, etc
- Properly written generics only need to be tested once
  - But testing / debugging can be more difficult
- Generic instantiations are best done at compile time
  - At the package level
  - Can be run-time expensive when done in subprogram scope



## Tagged Derivation

## Introduction

# Object-Oriented Programming With Tagged Types

- For **record** types

```
type T is tagged record
```

```
...
```

- Child types can add new components (*attributes*)
- Object of a child type can be **substituted** for base type
- Primitive (*method*) can **dispatch** **at runtime** depending on the type at call-site
- Types can be **extended** by other packages
  - Casting and qualification to base type is allowed
- Private data is encapsulated through **privacy**

# Tagged Derivation Ada vs C++

```
type T1 is tagged record
  Member1 : Integer;
end record;

procedure Attr_F (This : T1);

type T2 is new T1 with record
  Member2 : Integer;
end record;

overriding procedure Attr_F (
  This : T2);
procedure Attr_F2 (This : T2);
```

```
class T1 {
public:
  int Member1;
  virtual void Attr_F(void);
};

class T2 : public T1 {
public:
  int Member2;
  virtual void Attr_F(void);
  virtual void Attr_F2(void);
};
```

## Tagged Derivation

# Difference with Simple Derivation

- Tagged derivation **can** change the structure of a type
  - Keywords **tagged record** and **with record**

```
type Root is tagged record
```

```
  F1 : Integer;
```

```
end record;
```

```
type Child is new Root with record
```

```
  F2 : Integer;
```

```
end record;
```

# Type Extension

- A tagged derivation **has** to be a type extension
  - Use **with null record** if there are no additional components

```
type Child is new Root with null record;
```

```
type Child is new Root; -- illegal
```

- Conversions is only allowed from **child to parent**

```
V1 : Root;
```

```
V2 : Child;
```

```
...
```

```
V1 := Root (V2);
```

```
V2 := Child (V1); -- illegal
```

# Primitives

- Child **cannot remove** a primitive
- Child **can add** new primitives
- *Controlling parameter*
  - Parameters the subprogram is a primitive of
  - For **tagged** types, all should have the **same type**

```
type Root1 is tagged null record;
```

```
type Root2 is tagged null record;
```

```
procedure P1 (V1 : Root1;  
              V2 : Root1);
```

```
procedure P2 (V1 : Root1;  
              V2 : Root2); -- illegal
```



# Freeze Point For Tagged Types

- Freeze point definition does not change
  - A variable of the type is declared
  - The type is derived
  - The end of the scope is reached
- Declaring tagged type primitives past freeze point is **forbidden**

```
type Root is tagged null record;
```

```
procedure Prim (V : Root);
```

```
type Child is new Root with null record; -- freeze root
```

```
procedure Prim2 (V : Root); -- illegal
```

```
V : Child; -- freeze child
```

```
procedure Prim3 (V : Child); -- illegal
```

# Tagged Aggregate

- At initialization, all fields (including **inherited**) must have a **value**

```
type Root is tagged record
```

```
    F1 : Integer;
```

```
end record;
```

```
type Child is new Root with record
```

```
    F2 : Integer;
```

```
end record;
```

```
V : Child := (F1 => 0, F2 => 0);
```

- For **private types** use *aggregate extension*

- Copy of a parent instance

- Use **with null record** absent new fields

```
V2 : Child := (Parent_Instance with F2 => 0);
```

```
V3 : Empty_Child := (Parent_Instance with null record);
```

# Overriding Indicators

Ada 2005

- Optional **overriding** and **not overriding** indicators

```

type Shape_T is tagged record
    Name : String(1..10);
end record;

-- primitives of "Shape_T"
procedure Set_Name (S : in out Shape_T);
function Name (S : Shape_T) return string;

-- Derive "Point" from Shape_T
type Point is new Shape_T with record
    Origin : Coord_T;
end Point;

-- We want to _change_ the behavior of Set_Name
overriding procedure Set_Name (P : in out Point_T);
-- We want to _add_ a new primitive
not overriding Origin ( P : Point_T ) return Point_T;
-- We get "Name" for free

```

# Prefix Notation

Ada 2012

- Tagged types primitives can be called as usual
- The call can use prefixed notation
  - If the first argument is a controlling parameter
  - No need for **use** or **use type** for visibility

```
-- Prim1 visible even without *use Pkg*  
X.Prim1;
```

```
declare  
    use Pkg;  
begin  
    Prim1 (X);  
end;
```

# Quiz

Which declaration(s) will make P a primitive of T1?

- A.** type T1 is tagged null record;  
    procedure P (O : T1) is null;
- B.** type T0 is tagged null record;  
    type T1 is new T0 with null record;  
    type T2 is new T0 with null record;  
    procedure P (O : T1) is null;
- C.** type T1 is tagged null record;  
    generic  
        type T is tagged private;  
    package G\_Pkg is  
        type T2 is new T with null record;  
    end G\_Pkg;  
    package Pkg is new G\_Pkg (T1);  
    procedure P (O : T1) is null;
- D.** type T1 is tagged null record;  
    generic  
        type T;  
    procedure G\_P (O : T);  
    procedure G\_P (O : T) is null;  
    procedure P is new G\_P (T1);

# Quiz

Which declaration(s) will make P a primitive of T1?

- A. `type T1 is tagged null record;`  
`procedure P (O : T1) is null;`
- B. `type T0 is tagged null record;`  
`type T1 is new T0 with null record;`  
`type T2 is new T0 with null record;`  
`procedure P (O : T1) is null;`
- C. `type T1 is tagged null record;`  
`generic`  
`type T is tagged private;`  
`package G_Pkg is`  
`type T2 is new T with null record;`  
`end G_Pkg;`  
`package Pkg is new G_Pkg (T1);`  
`procedure P (O : T1) is null;`
- D. `type T1 is tagged null record;`  
`generic`  
`type T;`  
`procedure G_P (O : T);`  
`procedure G_P (O : T) is null;`  
`procedure P is new G_P (T1);`

# Quiz

```
-- Defines tagged type Shape, with primitive P
with Shapes;
-- Defines tagged type Color, with primitive P
with Colors; use Colors;
-- Defines tagged type Weight, with primitive P
with Weights;
use type Weights.Weight;

procedure Main is
  01 : Shapes.Shape;
  02 : Colors.Color;
  03 : Weights.Weight;
```

Which statement(s) is(are) valid?

- ☐ A. 01.P
- ☐ B. P (01)
- ☐ C. P (02)
- ☐ D. P (03)

# Quiz

```
-- Defines tagged type Shape, with primitive P
with Shapes;
-- Defines tagged type Color, with primitive P
with Colors; use Colors;
-- Defines tagged type Weight, with primitive P
with Weights;
use type Weights.Weight;

procedure Main is
  01 : Shapes.Shape;
  02 : Colors.Color;
  03 : Weights.Weight;
```

Which statement(s) is(are) valid?

- ☒ A. *01.P*
- ☐ B. *P (01)*
- ☒ C. *P (02)*
- ☐ D. *P (03)*
- ☐ D. "use" only gives visibility to operators; needs to be "use all"



# Quiz

Which code block is legal?

**A.** type A1 is record  
    Field1 : Integer;  
end record;  
type A2 is new A1 with  
null record;  
**B.** type B1 is tagged  
record  
    Field2 : Integer;  
end record;  
type B2 is new B1 with  
record  
    Field2b : Integer;  
end record;

**C.** type C1 is tagged  
record  
    Field3 : Integer;  
end record;  
type C2 is new C1 with  
record  
    Field3 : Integer;  
end record;  
**D.** type D1 is tagged  
record  
    Field1 : Integer;  
end record;  
type D2 is new D1;

# Quiz

Which code block is legal?

**A.** type A1 is record  
    Field1 : Integer;  
end record;  
type A2 is new A1 with  
    null record;

**B.** type B1 is tagged  
    record  
        Field2 : Integer;  
    end record;  
type B2 is new B1 with  
    record  
        Field2b : Integer;  
    end record;

**C.** type C1 is tagged  
    record  
        Field3 : Integer;  
    end record;  
type C2 is new C1 with  
    record

        Field3 : Integer;  
    end record;  
**D.** type D1 is tagged  
    record  
        Field1 : Integer;  
    end record;  
type D2 is new D1;

Explanations

- A.** Cannot extend a non-tagged type
- B.** Correct
- C.** Components must have distinct names
- D.** Types derived from a tagged type must have an extension

## Lab

# Tagged Derivation Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a type structure that could be used in a business
  - A **person** has some defining characteristics
  - An **employee** is a *person* with some employment information
  - A **staff member** is an *employee* with specific job information
- Create primitive operations to read and print the objects
- Create a main program to test the objects and operations

## ■ Hints

- Use **overriding** and **not overriding** as appropriate

# Tagged Derivation Lab Solution - Types (Spec)

```

with Ada.Calendar;
with Ada.Strings.Unbounded; use Ada.Strings.Unbounded;
package Employee is
  type Person_T is tagged private;
  procedure Set_Name (O : in out Person_T;
                     Value : String);
  function Name (O : Person_T) return String;
  procedure Set_Birth_Date (O : in out Person_T;
                           Value : String);
  function Birth_Date (O : Person_T) return String;
  procedure Print (O : Person_T);

  type Employee_T is new Person_T with private;
  not overriding procedure Set_Start_Date (O : in out Employee_T;
   Value : String);
  not overriding function Start_Date (O : Employee_T) return String;
  overriding procedure Print (O : Employee_T);

  type Position_T is new Employee_T with private;
  not overriding procedure Set_Job (O : in out Position_T;
                                   Value : String);
  not overriding function Job (O : Position_T) return String;
  overriding procedure Print (O : Position_T);

private
  type Person_T is tagged record
    Name : Unbounded_String;
    Birth_Date : Ada.Calendar.Time;
  end record;

  type Employee_T is new Person_T with record
    Employee_Id : Positive;
    Start_Date : Ada.Calendar.Time;
  end record;

  type Position_T is new Employee_T with record
    Job : Unbounded_String;
  end record;
end Employee;

```

# Tagged Derivation Lab Solution - Types (Body - Incomplete)

```

function To_String (T : Ada.Calendar.Time) return String is
begin
    return Month_Name (Ada.Calendar.Month (T)) &
        Integer'Image (Ada.Calendar.Day (T)) & ", " &
        Integer'Image (Ada.Calendar.Year (T));
end To_String;

function From_String (S : String) return Ada.Calendar.Time is
    Date : constant String := S & " 12:00:00";
begin
    return Ada.Calendar.Formatting.Value (Date);
end From_String;

procedure Set_Name (O : in out Person_T;
                    Value : String) is
begin
    O.Name := To_Unbounded_String (Value);
end Set_Name;

function Name (O : Person_T) return String is (To_String (O.Name));

procedure Set_Birth_Date (O : in out Person_T;
                           Value : String) is
begin
    O.Birth_Date := From_String (Value);
end Set_Birth_Date;

function Birth_Date (O : Person_T) return String is (To_String (O.Birth_Date));

procedure Print (O : Person_T) is
begin
    Put_Line ("Name: " & Name (O));
    Put_Line ("Birthdate: " & Birth_Date (O));
end Print;

not overriding procedure Set_Start_Date (O : in out Employee_T;
   Value : String) is
begin
    O.Start_Date := From_String (Value);
end Set_Start_Date;

not overriding function Start_Date (O : Employee_T) return String is (To_String (O.Start_Date));

overriding procedure Print (O : Employee_T) is
begin
    Put_Line ("Name: " & Name (O));
    Put_Line ("Birthdate: " & Birth_Date (O));
    Put_Line ("Startdate: " & Start_Date (O));
end Print;

```

# Tagged Derivation Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Employee;
procedure Main is
  function Read (Prompt : String) return String is
  begin
    Put (Prompt & "> ");
    return Get_Line;
  end Read;
  function Read_Date (Prompt : String) return String is (Read (Prompt & " (YYYY-MM-DD)"));

  Applicant : Employee.Person_T;
  Employ    : Employee.Employee_T;
  Staff     : Employee.Position_T;

begin
  Applicant.Set_Name (Read ("Applicant name"));
  Applicant.Set_Birth_Date (Read_Date ("  Birth Date"));

  Employ.Set_Name (Read ("Employee name"));
  Employ.Set_Birth_Date (Read_Date ("  Birth Date"));
  Employ.Set_Start_Date (Read_Date ("  Start Date"));

  Staff.Set_Name (Read ("Staff name"));
  Staff.Set_Birth_Date (Read_Date ("  Birth Date"));
  Staff.Set_Start_Date (Read_Date ("  Start Date"));
  Staff.Set_Job (Read ("  Job"));

  Applicant.Print;
  Employ.Print;
  Staff.Print;
end Main;
```

## Summary



# Summary

- Tagged derivation
  - Building block for OOP types in Ada
- Primitives rules for tagged types are trickier
  - Primitives **forbidden** below freeze point
  - **Unique** controlling parameter
  - Tip: Keep the number of tagged type per package low

# Polymorphism

## Introduction

# Introduction

- 'Class operator to categorize *classes of types*
- Type classes allow dispatching calls
  - Abstract types
  - Abstract subprograms
- Run-time call dispatch vs compile-time call dispatching

## Classes of Types

# Classes

- In Ada, a Class denotes an inheritance subtree
- Class of **T** is the class of **T** and all its children
- Type **T'Class** can designate any object typed after type of class of **T**

```
type Root is tagged null record;  
type Child1 is new Root with null record;  
type Child2 is new Root with null record;  
type Grand_Child1 is new Child1 with null record;  
-- Root'Class = {Root, Child1, Child2, Grand_Child1}  
-- Child1'Class = {Child1, Grand_Child1}  
-- Child2'Class = {Child2}  
-- Grand_Child1'Class = {Grand_Child1}
```

- Objects of type **T'Class** have at least the properties of **T**
  - Fields of **T**
  - Primitives of **T**

# Indefinite type

- A class wide type is an indefinite type
  - Just like an unconstrained array or a record with a discriminant
- Properties and constraints of indefinite types apply
  - Can be used for parameter declarations
  - Can be used for variable declaration with initialization

```
procedure Main is
  type T is tagged null record;
  type D is new T with null record;
  procedure P (X : in out T'Class) is null;
  Obj : D;
  Dc : D'Class := Obj;
  Tc1 : T'Class := Dc;
  Tc2 : T'Class := Obj;
  -- initialization required in class-wide declaration
  Tc3 : T'Class; -- compile error
  Dc2 : D'Class; -- compile error
begin
  P (Dc);
  P (Obj);
end Main;
```

# Testing the type of an object

- The tag of an object denotes its type
- It can be accessed through the **'Tag** attribute
- Applies to both objects and types
- Membership operator is available to check the type against a hierarchy

```

type Parent is tagged null record;
type Child is new Parent with null record;
Parent_Obj : Parent; -- Parent_Obj'Tag = Parent'Tag
Child_Obj  : Child;  -- Child_Obj'Tag = Child'Tag
Parent_Class_1 : Parent'Class := Parent_Obj;
                -- Parent_Class_1'Tag = Parent'Tag
Parent_Class_2 : Parent'Class := Child_Obj;
                -- Parent_Class_2'Tag = Child'Tag
Child_Class    : Child'Class := Child(Parent_Class_2);
                -- Child_Class'Tag = Child'Tag

B1 : Boolean := Parent_Class_1 in Parent'Class;      -- True
B2 : Boolean := Parent_Class_1'Tag = Child'Tag;     -- False
B3 : Boolean := Child_Class'Tag = Parent'Tag;       -- False
B4 : Boolean := Child_Class in Child'Class;         -- True

```



# Abstract Types

- A tagged type can be declared **abstract**
- Then, **abstract tagged** types:
  - cannot be instantiated
  - can have abstract subprograms (with no implementation)
  - Non-abstract derivation of an abstract type must override and implement abstract subprograms

# Abstract Types Ada vs C++

## ■ Ada

```
type Root is abstract tagged record
  F : Integer;
end record;
procedure P1 (V : Root) is abstract;
procedure P2 (V : Root);
type Child is abstract new Root with null record;
type Grand_Child is new Child with null record;

overriding -- Ada 2005 and later
procedure P1 (V : Grand_Child);
```

## ■ C++

```
class Root {
public:
  int F;
  virtual void P1 (void) = 0;
  virtual void P2 (void);
};
class Child : public Root {
};
class Grand_Child {
public:
  virtual void P1 (void);
};
```

# Relation to Primitives

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- Warning: Subprograms with parameter of type **T'Class** are not primitives of **T**

```
type Root is tagged null record;  
procedure P (V : Root'Class);  
type Child is new Root with null record;  
-- This does not override P!  
overriding procedure P (V : Child'Class);
```

- Prefix notation rules apply when the first parameter is of a class wide type

```
V1 : Root;  
V2 : Root'Class := Root'(others => <>);  
...  
P (V1);  
P (V2);  
V1.P;  
V2.P;
```

## Dispatching and Redispatching

## Calls on class-wide types (1/3)

- Any subprogram expecting a T object can be called with a T'Class object

```
type Shape is tagged
  record
    Name : string(1..10);
  end record;
procedure Describe (V : Shape);

type Circle is new Shape with
  record
    Radius : float;
  end record;
procedure Describe (V : Circle);

Sh : Shape'Class := [...];
Ci : Circle'Class := [...];
begin
  Describe (Sh);
  Describe (Ci);
```

## Calls on class-wide types (2/3)

- The *actual* type of the object is not known at compile time
- The *right* type will be selected at runtime

Ada

**declare**

```
Sh : Shape'Class :=  
    Shape'(others => <>);  
Ci : Shape'Class :=  
    Circle'(others => <>);
```

**begin**

```
Sh.Describe; -- calls Describe of Shape  
Ci.Describe; -- calls Describe of Circle
```

C++

```
Shape * Sh = new Shape ();  
Shape * Ci = new Circle ();  
Sh->Describe ();  
Ci->Describe ();
```

## Calls on class-wide types (3/3)

- It is still possible to force a call to be static using a conversion of view

Ada

**declare**

```
Sh : Shape'Class :=  
    Shape'(others => <>);  
Ci : Shape'Class :=  
    Circle'(others => <>);
```

**begin**

```
Shape (Sh).Describe; -- calls Describe of Shape  
Shape (Ci).Describe; -- calls Describe of Shape
```

C++

```
Shape * Sh = new Shape ();  
Shape * Ci = new Circle ();  
((Shape) *Sh).Describe ();  
((Shape) *Ci).Describe ();
```

# Definite and class wide views

- In C++, dispatching occurs only on pointers
- In Ada, dispatching occurs only on class wide views

```
type Root is tagged null record;  
procedure P1 (V : Root);  
procedure P2 (V : Root);  
type Child is new Root with null record;  
overriding procedure P2 (V : Child);  
procedure P1 (V : Root) is  
begin  
    P2 (V); -- always calls P2 from Root  
end P1;  
procedure Main is  
    V1 : Root'Class :=  
        Child'(others => <>);  
begin  
    -- Calls P1 from the implicitly overridden subprogram  
    -- Calls P2 from Root!  
    V1.P1;
```



# Redispatching

- **tagged** types are always passed by reference
  - The original object is not copied
- Therefore, it is possible to convert them to different views

```
type Root is tagged null record;  
procedure P1 (V : Root);  
procedure P2 (V : Root);  
type Child is new Root with null record;  
overriding procedure P2 (V : Child);
```

## Redispaching Example

```
procedure P1 (V : Root) is
    V_Class : Root'Class renames
        Root'Class (V); -- naming of a view
begin
    P2 (V);                -- static: uses the definite view
    P2 (Root'Class (V));   -- dynamic: (redispaching)
    P2 (V_Class);          -- dynamic: (redispaching)

    -- Ada 2005 "distinguished receiver" syntax
    V.P2;                  -- static: uses the definite view
    Root'Class (V).P2;     -- dynamic: (redispaching)
    V_Class.P2;           -- dynamic: (redispaching)
end P1;
```

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Root is tagged null record;
  function F1 (V : Root) return Integer is (101);
  type Child is new Root with null record;
  function F1 (V : Child) return Integer is (201);
  type Grandchild is new Child with null record;
  function F1 (V : Grandchild) return Integer is (301);
end P;
```

```
with P1; use P1;
procedure Main is
  Z : Root'Class := Grandchild'(others => <>);
```

What is the value returned by F1 (Child'Class (Z));?

- ☐ A 301
- ☐ B 201
- ☐ C 101
- ☐ D Compilation error

# Quiz

```
package P is
  type Root is tagged null record;
  function F1 (V : Root) return Integer is (101);
  type Child is new Root with null record;
  function F1 (V : Child) return Integer is (201);
  type Grandchild is new Child with null record;
  function F1 (V : Grandchild) return Integer is (301);
end P;
```

```
with P1; use P1;
procedure Main is
  Z : Root'Class := Grandchild'(others => <>);
```

What is the value returned by F1 (Child'Class (Z));?

- ☒ A 301
- ☐ B 201
- ☐ C 101
- ☐ D Compilation error

Explanations

- ☒ A Correct
- ☐ B Would be correct if the cast was Child - Child'Class leaves the object as Grandchild
- ☐ C Object is initialized to something in Root' class, but it doesn't have to be Root
- ☐ D Would be correct if function parameter types were 'Class

## Exotic Dispatching Operations

# Multiple dispatching operands

- Primitives with multiple dispatching operands are allowed if all operands are of the same type

```
type Root is tagged null record;
procedure P (Left : Root; Right : Root);
type Child is new Root with null record;
overriding procedure P (Left : Child; Right : Child);
```

- At call time, all actual parameters' tags have to match, either statically or dynamically

```
R1, R2 : Root;
C1, C2 : Child;
C11 : Root'Class := R1;
C12 : Root'Class := R2;
C13 : Root'Class := C1;
...
P (R1, R2);           -- static:  ok
P (R1, C1);          -- static:  error
P (C11, C12);         -- dynamic: ok
P (C11, C13);         -- dynamic: error
P (R1, C11);          -- static:  error
P (Root'Class (R1), C11); -- dynamic: ok
```

## Special case for equality

- Overriding the default equality for a **tagged** type involves the use of a function with multiple controlling operands
- As in general case, static types of operands have to be the same
- If dynamic types differ, equality returns false instead of raising exception

```
type Root is tagged null record;
function "=" (L : Root; R : Root) return Boolean;
type Child is new Root with null record;
overriding function "=" (L : Child; R : Child) return Boolean;
R1, R2 : Root;
C1, C2 : Child;
C11 : Root'Class := R1;
C12 : Root'Class := R2;
C13 : Root'Class := C1;
...
-- overridden "=" called via dispatching
if C11 = C12 then [...]
```

*if C11 = C13 then [...] -- returns false*

# Controlling result (1/2)

- The controlling operand may be the return type

- This is known as the constructor pattern

```
type Root is tagged null record;
function F (V : Integer) return Root;
```

- If the child adds fields, all such subprograms have to be overridden

```
type Root is tagged null record;
function F (V : Integer) return Root;
```

```
type Child is new Root with null record;
-- OK, F is implicitly inherited
```

```
type Child1 is new Root with record
  X : Integer;
end record;
-- ERROR no implicitly inherited function F
```

- Primitives returning abstract types have to be abstract

```
type Root is abstract tagged null record;
function F (V : Integer) return Root is abstract;
```



## Controlling result (2/2)

- Primitives returning **tagged** types can be used in a static context

```

type Root is tagged null record;
function F return Root;
type Child is new Root with null record;
function F return Child;
V : Root := F;

```

- In a dynamic context, the type has to be known to correctly dispatch

```

V1 : Root'Class := Root'(F);  -- Static call to Root primitive
V2 : Root'Class := V1;
V3 : Root'Class := Child'(F); -- Static call to Child primitive
V4 : Root'Class := F;         -- What is the tag of V4?
...
V1 := F; -- Dispatching call to Root primitive
V2 := F; -- Dispatching call to Root primitive
V3 := F; -- Dispatching call to Child primitive

```

- No dispatching is possible when returning access types

## Lab

# Polymorphism Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create a multi-level types hierarchy of shapes
  - Level 1: Shape → Quadrilateral | Triangle
  - Level 2: Quadrilateral → Square
- Types should have the following primitive operations
  - Description
  - Number of sides
  - Perimeter
- Create a main program to print information about multiple shapes
  - Create a nested subprogram that takes a shape and prints all relevant information

## ■ Hints

- Top-level type should be abstract
  - But can have concrete operations
- Nested subprogram in **main** should take a shape class parameter

# Polymorphism Lab Solution - Shapes (Spec)

```
with Ada.Strings.Unbounded; use Ada.Strings.Unbounded;
package Shapes is
  type Float_T is digits 6;
  type Vertex_T is record
    X : Float_T;
    Y : Float_T;
  end record;
  type Vertices_T is array (Positive range <>) of Vertex_T;

  type Shape_T is abstract tagged record
    Description : Unbounded_String;
  end record;
  function Get_Description (Shape : Shape_T'Class) return String;
  function Number_Of_Sides (Shape : Shape_T) return Natural is abstract;
  function Perimeter (Shape : Shape_T) return Float_T is abstract;

  type Quadrilateral_T is new Shape_T with record
    Sides : Vertices_T (1 .. 4);
  end record;
  function Number_Of_Sides (Shape : Quadrilateral_T) return Natural;
  function Perimeter (Shape : Quadrilateral_T) return Float_T;

  type Square_T is new Quadrilateral_T with null record;
  function Perimeter (Shape : Square_T) return Float_T;

  type Triangle_T is new Shape_T with record
    Sides : Vertices_T (1 .. 3);
  end record;
  function Number_Of_Sides (Shape : Triangle_T) return Natural;
  function Perimeter (Shape : Triangle_T) return Float_T;
end Shapes;
```

# Polymorphism Lab Solution - Shapes (Body)

```

with Ada.Numerics.Generic_Elementary_Functions;
package body Shapes is
  package Math is new Ada.Numerics.Generic_Elementary_Functions (Float_T);

  function Distance (Vertex1 : Vertex_T;
                    Vertex2 : Vertex_T)
    return Float_T is
    (Math.Sqrt ((Vertex1.X - Vertex2.X)**2 + (Vertex1.Y - Vertex2.Y)**2));

  function Perimeter (Vertices : Vertices_T) return Float_T is
    Ret_Val : Float_T := 0.0;
  begin
    for I in Vertices'First .. Vertices'Last - 1 loop
      Ret_Val := Ret_Val + Distance (Vertices (I), Vertices (I + 1));
    end loop;
    Ret_Val := Ret_Val + Distance (Vertices (Vertices'Last), Vertices (Vertices'First));
    return Ret_Val;
  end Perimeter;

  function Get_Description (Shape : Shape_T'Class) return String is (To_String (Shape.Description));

  function Number_Of_Sides (Shape : Quadrilateral_T) return Natural is (4);
  function Perimeter (Shape : Quadrilateral_T) return Float_T is (Perimeter (Shape.Sides));

  function Perimeter (Shape : Square_T) return Float_T is (4.0 * Distance (Shape.Sides (1), Shape.Sides (2)));

  function Number_Of_Sides (Shape : Triangle_T) return Natural is (3);
  function Perimeter (Shape : Triangle_T) return Float_T is (Perimeter (Shape.Sides));
end Shapes;

```

# Polymorphism Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Strings.Unbounded; use Ada.Strings.Unbounded;
with Ada.Text_IO;          use Ada.Text_IO;
with Shapes;               use Shapes;
procedure Main is

  Rectangle : constant Shapes.Quadrilateral_T :=
    (Description => To_Unbounded_String ("rectangle"),
     Sides       => ((0.0, 10.0), (0.0, 20.0), (1.0, 20.0), (1.0, 10.0)));
  Triangle : constant Shapes.Triangle_T :=
    (Description => To_Unbounded_String ("triangle"),
     Sides       => ((0.0, 0.0), (0.0, 3.0), (4.0, 0.0)));
  Square : constant Shapes.Square_T :=
    (Description => To_Unbounded_String ("square"),
     Sides       => ((0.0, 1.0), (0.0, 2.0), (1.0, 2.0), (1.0, 1.0)));

  procedure Describe (Shape : Shapes.Shape_T'Class) is
  begin
    Put_Line (Shape.Get_Description);
    if Shape not in Shapes.Shape_T then
      Put_Line (" Number of sides:" & Integer'Image (Shape.Number_Of_Sides));
      Put_Line (" Perimeter:" & Shapes.Float_T'Image (Shape.Perimeter));
    end if;
  end Describe;

begin
  Describe (Rectangle);
  Describe (Triangle);
  Describe (Square);
end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- 'Class operator
  - Allows subprograms to be used for multiple versions of a type
- Dispatching
  - Abstract types require concrete versions
  - Abstract subprograms allow template definitions
    - Need an implementation for each abstract type referenced
- Run-time call dispatch vs compile-time call dispatching
  - Compiler resolves appropriate call where it can
  - Run-time resolves appropriate call where it can
  - If not resolved, exception



# Exceptions

## Introduction

# Rationale for Exceptions

- Textual separation from normal processing
- Rigorous Error Management
  - Cannot be ignored, unlike status codes from routines
  - Example: running out of gasoline in an automobile

```
package Automotive is
  type Vehicle is record
    Fuel_Quantity, Fuel_Minimum : Float;
    Oil_Temperature : Float;
    ...
  end record;
  Fuel_Exhausted : exception;
  procedure Consume_Fuel (Car : in out Vehicle);
  ...
end Automotive;
```

# Semantics Overview

- Exceptions become active by being *raised*
  - Failure of implicit language-defined checks
  - Explicitly by application
- Exceptions occur at run-time
  - A program has no effect until executed
- May be several occurrences active at same time
  - One per thread of control
- Normal execution abandoned when they occur
  - Error processing takes over in response
  - Response specified by *exception handlers*
  - *Handling the exception* means taking action in response
  - Other threads need not be affected

## Semantics Example: Raising

```
package body Automotive is
  function Current_Consumption return Float is
    ...
  end Current_Consumption;
  procedure Consume_Fuel (Car : in out Vehicle) is
  begin
    if Car.Fuel_Quantity <= Car.Fuel_Minimum then
      raise Fuel_Exhausted;
    else -- decrement quantity
      Car.Fuel_Quantity := Car.Fuel_Quantity -
                           Current_Consumption;
    end if;
  end Consume_Fuel;
  ...
end Automotive;
```

# Semantics Example: Handling

```
procedure Joy_Ride is
  Hot_Rod : Automotive.Vehicle;
  Bored : Boolean := False;
  use Automotive;
begin
  while not Bored loop
    Steer_Aimlessly (Bored);
    -- error situation cannot be ignored
    Consume_Fuel (Hot_Rod);
  end loop;
  Drive_Home;
exception
  when Fuel_Exhausted =>
    Push_Home;
end Joy_Ride;
```

## Handler Part Is Skipped Automatically

- If no exceptions are active, returns normally

```
begin
```

```
...
```

```
-- if we get here, skip to end
```

```
exception
```

```
  when Name1 =>
```

```
    ...
```

```
  when Name2 | Name3 =>
```

```
    ...
```

```
  when Name4 =>
```

```
    ...
```

```
end;
```

## Handlers



# Exception Handler Part

- Contains the exception handlers within a frame
  - Within block statements, subprograms, tasks, etc.
- Separates normal processing code from abnormal
- Starts with the reserved word **exception**
- Optional

```
begin
  sequence_of_statements
  [ exception
    exception_handler
    { exception_handler } ]
end
```

# Exception Handlers Syntax

- Associates exception names with statements to execute in response
- If used, **others** must appear at the end, by itself
  - Associates statements with all other exceptions
- Syntax

```
exception_handler ::=  
    when exception_choice { | exception_choice } =>  
        sequence_of_statements  
exception_choice ::= exception_name | others
```

# Similarity To Case Statements

- Both structure and meaning
- Exception handler

```
...  
exception  
  when Constraint_Error | Storage_Error | Program_Error =>  
    ...  
  when others =>  
    ...  
end;
```

- Case statement

```
case exception_name is  
  when Constraint_Error | Storage_Error | Program_Error =>  
    ...  
  when others =>  
    ...  
end case;
```

# Handlers Don't "Fall Through"

```
begin
    ...
    raise Name3;
    -- code here is not executed
    ...
exception
    when Name1 =>
        -- not executed
        ...
    when Name2 | Name3 =>
        -- executed
        ...
    when Name4 =>
        -- not executed
        ...
end;
```

## When An Exception Is Raised

- Normal processing is abandoned
- Handler for active exception is executed, if any
- Control then goes to the caller
- If handled, caller continues normally, otherwise repeats the above

- Caller

```
...  
Joy_Ride;  
Do_Something_At_Home;  
...
```

- Callee

```
procedure Joy_Ride is  
...  
begin  
...  
  Drive_Home;  
exception  
  when Fuel_Exhausted =>  
    Push_Home;  
end Joy_Ride;
```

# Handling Specific Statements' Exceptions

```
begin
  -- Loop until file is open
  loop
    -- Read until something entered for filename
    Prompting : loop
      Put (Prompt);
      Get_Line (Filename, Last);
      exit when Last > Filename'First - 1;
    end loop Prompting;
    -- Try to open file
    begin
      Open (F, In_File, Filename (1..Last));
      -- Exit loop if file is opened
      exit;
    exception
      when Name_Error =>
        Put_Line ("File " & Filename (1..Last) &
          "' was not found.");
    end;
  end loop;
```

# Exception Handler Content

- No restrictions
  - Block statements, subprogram calls, etc.
- Do whatever makes sense

```
begin
    ...
exception
    when Some_Error =>
        declare
            New_Data : Some_Type;
        begin
            P (New_Data);
            ...
        end;
end;
```

## Implicitly and Explicitly Raised Exceptions



# Implicitly-Raised Exceptions

- Correspond to language-defined checks
- Can happen by statement execution

```
K := -10;  -- where K must be greater than zero
```

- Can happen by declaration elaboration

```
Doomed : array (Positive) of Big_Type;
```

## Some Language-Defined Exceptions

- `Constraint_Error`
  - Violations of constraints on range, index, etc.
- `Program_Error`
  - Runtime control structure violated (function with no return ...)
- `Storage_Error`
  - Insufficient storage is available
- For a complete list see RM Q-4

# Explicitly-Raised Exceptions

- Raised by application via **raise** statements

- Named exception becomes active

- Syntax

```
raise_statement ::= raise; |  
                 raise exception_name [with string_expression];
```

- **with** string\_expression only available in Ada 2005 and later

- A **raise** by itself is only allowed in handlers

```
if Unknown (User_ID) then  
    raise Invalid_User;  
end if;
```

```
if Unknown (User_ID) then  
    raise Invalid_User with "Attempt by " & Image (User_ID);  
end if;
```

# Quiz

```
1  procedure Main is
2      A, B, C, D : Integer range 0 .. 100;
3  begin
4      A := 1; B := 2; C := 3; D := 4;
5      begin
6          D := A - C + B;
7      exception
8          when others => Put_Line ("One");
9                          D := 1;
10     end;
11     D := D + 1;
12     begin
13         D := D / (A - C + B);
14     exception
15         when others => Put_Line ("Two");
16                         D := -1;
17     end;
18 exception
19     when others =>
20         Put_Line ("Three");
21 end Main;
```

What will get printed?

- ☒ A. One, Two, Three
- ☒ B. Two, Three
- ☒ C. Two
- ☒ D. Three

# Quiz

```
1  procedure Main is
2      A, B, C, D : Integer range 0 .. 100;
3  begin
4      A := 1; B := 2; C := 3; D := 4;
5      begin
6          D := A - C + B;
7      exception
8          when others => Put_Line ("One");
9              D := 1;
10
11      end;
12      D := D + 1;
13      begin
14          D := D / (A - C + B);
15      exception
16          when others => Put_Line ("Two");
17              D := -1;
18      end;
19      exception
20          when others =>
21              Put_Line ("Three");
22  end Main;
```

What will get printed?

- ☐ A. One, Two, Three
- ☒ B. *Two, Three*
- ☐ C. Two
- ☐ D. Three

Explanations

- ☒ A. Although  $(A - C)$  is not in the range of natural, the range is only checked on assignment, which is after the addition of B, so One is never printed
- ☐ B. Correct
- ☐ C. If we reach Two, the assignment on line 10 will cause Three to be reached
- ☐ D. Divide by 0 on line 14 causes an exception, so Two must be called

## User-Defined Exceptions

# User-Defined Exceptions

- Syntax

```
defining_identifier_list : exception;
```

- Behave like predefined exceptions

- Scope and visibility rules apply
- Referencing as usual
- Some minor differences

- Exception identifiers' use is restricted

- **raise** statements
- Handlers
- Renaming declarations

## User-Defined Exceptions Example

- An important part of the abstraction
- Designer specifies how component can be used

```
package Stack is
```

```
    Underflow, Overflow : exception;
```

```
    procedure Push (Item : in Integer);
```

```
    ...
```

```
end Stack;
```

```
package body Stack is
```

```
    procedure Push (Item : in Integer) is
```

```
    begin
```

```
        if Top = Index'Last then
```

```
            raise Overflow;
```

```
        end if;
```

```
        Top := Top + 1;
```

```
        Values (Top) := Item;
```

```
    end Push;
```

```
    ...
```



## Propagation

# Propagation

- Control does not return to point of raising
  - Termination Model
- When a handler is not found in a block statement
  - Re-raised immediately after the block
- When a handler is not found in a subprogram
  - Propagated to caller at the point of call
- Propagation is dynamic, back up the call chain
  - Not based on textual layout or order of declarations
- Propagation stops at the main subprogram
  - Main completes abnormally unless handled

# Propagation Demo

```
1  procedure Do_Something is      16  begin -- Do_Something
2      Error : exception;        17      Maybe_Raise(3);
3      procedure Unhandled is    18      Handled;
4      begin                    19      exception
5          Maybe_Raise(1);        20      when Error =>
6      end Unhandled;            21          Print("Handle 3");
7      procedure Handled is      22  end Do_Something;
8      begin
9          Unhandled;
10         Maybe_Raise(2);
11     exception
12         when Error =>
13             Print("Handle 1 or 2");
14     end Handled;
```

# Termination Model

- When control goes to handler, it continues from here

```
procedure Joy_Ride is
begin
  loop
    Steer_Aimlessly;

    -- If next line raises Fuel_Exhausted, go to handler
    Consume_Fuel;
  end loop;
exception
  when Fuel_Exhausted => -- Handler
    Push_Home;
    -- Resume from here: loop has been exited
end Joy_Ride;
```

# Quiz

What will get printed if  
Input\_Value on line 13 is  
Integer'Last?

- A.** Unknown Problem
- B.** Success
- C.** Constraint Error
- D.** Program Error

```
2  Main_Problem : exception;
3  I : Integer;
4  function F (P : Integer) return Integer is
5  begin
6      if P > 0 then
7          return P + 1;
8      elsif P = 0 then
9          raise Main_Problem;
10     end if;
11 end F;
12 begin
13     I := F(Input_Value);
14     Put_Line ("Success");
15 exception
16     when Constraint_Error =>
17         Put_Line ("Constraint Error");
18     when Program_Error =>
19         Put_Line ("Program Error");
20     when others =>
21         Put_Line ("Unknown problem");
```

# Quiz

What will get printed if  
Input\_Value on line 13 is  
Integer'Last?

- A. Unknown Problem
- B. Success
- C. *Constraint Error*
- D. Program Error

```
2  Main_Problem : exception;
3  I : Integer;
4  function F (P : Integer) return Integer is
5  begin
6      if P > 0 then
7          return P + 1;
8      elsif P = 0 then
9          raise Main_Problem;
10     end if;
11 end F;
12 begin
13     I := F(Input_Value);
14     Put_Line ("Success");
15 exception
16     when Constraint_Error =>
17         Put_Line ("Constraint Error");
18     when Program_Error =>
19         Put_Line ("Program Error");
20     when others =>
21         Put_Line ("Unknown problem");
```

## Explanations

- A. "Unknown problem" is printed by the **when others** due to the raise on line 9 when P is 0
- B. "Success" is printed when  $0 < P < \text{Integer'Last}$
- C. Trying to add 1 to P on line 7 generates a **Constraint\_Error**
- D. **Program\_Error** will be raised by F if  $P < 0$  (no **return** statement found)

## Exceptions as Objects

# Exceptions Are Not Objects

- May not be manipulated
  - May not be components of composite types
  - May not be passed as parameters
- Some differences for scope and visibility
  - May be propagated out of scope



## But You Can Treat Them As Objects

- For raising and handling, and more
- Standard Library

```
package Ada.Exceptions is
  type Exception_Id is private;
  procedure Raise_Exception (E : Exception_Id;
                           Message : String := "");
  ...
  type Exception_Occurrence is limited private;
  function Exception_Name (X : Exception_Occurrence)
    return String;
  function Exception_Message (X : Exception_Occurrence)
    return String;
  function Exception_Information (X : Exception_Occurrence)
    return String;
  procedure Reraise_Occurrence (X : Exception_Occurrence);
  procedure Save_Occurrence (
    Target : out Exception_Occurrence;
    Source : Exception_Occurrence);
  ...
end Ada.Exceptions;
```

# Exception Occurrence

- Syntax associates an object with active exception

```
when defining_identifier : exception_name ... =>
```

- A constant view representing active exception
- Used with operations defined for the type

```
exception
```

```
when Caught_Exception : others =>
```

```
  Put (Exception_Name (Caught_Exception));
```

# Exception\_Occurrence Query Functions

## ■ Exception\_Name

- Returns full expanded name of the exception in string form
  - Simple short name if space-constrained
- Predefined exceptions appear as just simple short name

## ■ Exception\_Message

- Returns string value specified when raised, if any

## ■ Exception\_Information

- Returns implementation-defined string content
- Should include both exception name and message content
- Presumably includes debugging information
  - Location where exception occurred
  - Language-defined check that failed (if such)

# Exception ID

- For an exception identifier, the *identity* of the exception is `<name>'Identity`

```
Mine : exception
use Ada.Exceptions;
...
exception
  when Occurrence : others =>
    if Exception_Identity(Occurrence) = Mine'Identity
    then
      ...
```

## *Raise Expressions*

# Raise Expressions

Ada 2012

## ■ Expression raising specified exception at run-time

```
Foo : constant Integer := ( case X is  
                             when 1 => 10,  
                             when 2 => 20,  
                             when others => raise Error);
```

## In Practice

# Exceptions Are Not Always Appropriate

- What does it mean to have an unexpected error in a safety-critical application?
  - Maybe there's no reasonable response





# Relying On Exception Raising Is Risky

- They may be **suppressed**
- Not recommended

```
function Tomorrow (Today : Days) return Days is
begin
    return Days'Succ (Today);
exception
    when Constraint_Error =>
        return Days'First;
end Tomorrow;
```

- Recommended

```
function Tomorrow (Today : Days) return Days is
begin
    if Today = Days'Last then
        return Days'First;
    else
        return Days'Succ (Today);
    end if;
end Tomorrow;
```

## Lab

# Exceptions Lab

## (Simple) Input Verifier

- Overview
  - Create an application that allows users to enter integer values
- Goal
  - Application should read data from a string and return the numeric value (or raise an exception)

# Project Requirements

- Exception Tracking
  - Non-numeric data should raise a different exception than out-of-range data
  - Exceptions should not stop the application
- Extra Credit
  - Handle values with exponents (e.g 123E4)

# Exceptions Lab Solution - Types

```
package Types is
```

```
    Max_Int : constant := 2**15;
```

```
    type Integer_T is range -(Max_Int) .. Max_Int - 1;
```

```
end Types;
```

# Exceptions Lab Solution - Converter

```
with Types;
package Converter is
  Illegal_String : exception;
  Out_Of_Range  : exception;
  function Convert (Str : String) return Types.Integer_T;
end Converter;

package body Converter is

  function Legal (C : Character) return Boolean is
  begin
    return
      C in '0' .. '9' or C = '+' or C = '-' or C = '.' or C = '_' or
      C = 'e' or C = 'E';
  end Legal;

  function Convert (Str : String) return Types.Integer_T is
  begin
    for I in Str'range loop
      if not Legal (Str (I)) then
        raise Illegal_String;
      end if;
    end loop;
    return Types.Integer_T'value (Str);
  exception
    when Constraint_Error =>
      raise Out_Of_Range;
  end Convert;

end Converter;
```

# Exceptions Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO;
with Converter;
with Types;
procedure Main is

    procedure Print_Value (Str : String) is
        Value : Types.Integer_T;
    begin
        Ada.Text_IO.Put (Str & " => ");
        Value := Converter.Convert (Str);
        Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line (Types.Integer_T'image (Value));
    exception
        when Converter.Out_Of_Range =>
            Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ("Out of range");
        when Converter.Illegal_String =>
            Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ("Illegal entry");
    end Print_Value;

begin
    Print_Value ("123");
    Print_Value ("2_3_4");
    Print_Value ("-345");
    Print_Value ("+456");
    Print_Value ("1234567890");
    Print_Value ("123abc");
    Print_Value ("12e3");
end Main;
```

## Summary



# Summary

- Should be for unexpected errors
- Give clients the ability to avoid them
- If handled, caller should see normal effect
  - Mode **out** parameters assigned
  - Function return values provided
- Package **Ada.Exceptions** provides views as objects
  - For both raising and special handling
  - Especially useful for debugging
- Checks may be suppressed

## Interfacing with C

# Introduction

# Introduction

- Lots of C code out there already
  - Maybe even a lot of reusable code in your own repositories
- Need a way to interface Ada code with existing C libraries
  - Built-in mechanism to define ability to import objects from C or export Ada objects
- Passing data between languages can cause issues
  - Sizing requirements
  - Passing mechanisms (by reference, by copy)

## Import / Export

# Pragma Import / Export (1/2)

- **Pragma Import** allows a C implementation to complete an Ada specification

- Ada view

```
procedure C_Proc;  
pragma Import (C, C_Proc, "SomeProcedure");
```

- C implementation

```
void SomeProcedure (void) {  
    // some code  
}
```

- **Pragma Export** allows an Ada implementation to complete a C specification

- Ada implementation

```
procedure Some_Procedure;  
pragma Export (C, Some_Procedure, "ada_some_procedure");  
procedure Some_Procedure is  
begin  
    -- some code  
end Some_Procedure;
```

- C view

```
extern void ada_some_procedure (void);
```

## Pragma Import / Export (2/2)

- You can also import/export variables
  - Variables imported won't be initialized
  - Ada view

```
My_Var : integer_type;  
Pragma Import ( C, My_Var, "my_var" );
```

- C implementation

```
int my_var;
```

# Import / Export in Ada 2012

Ada 2012

- In Ada 2012, Import and Export can also be done using aspects:

```
procedure C_Proc
  with Import,
        Convention      => C,
        External_Name => "c_proc";
```



## Parameter Passing

## Parameter Passing to/from C

- The mechanism used to pass formal subprogram parameters and function results depends on:
  - The type of the parameter
  - The mode of the parameter
  - The Convention applied on the Ada side of the subprogram declaration.
- The exact meaning of *Convention C*, for example, is documented in *LRM* B.1 - B.3, and in the *GNAT User's Guide* section 3.11.

# Passing Scalar Data as Parameters

- C types are defined by the Standard
- Ada types are implementation-defined
- GNAT standard types are compatible with C types
  - Implementation choice, use carefully
- At the interface level, scalar types must be either constrained with representation clauses, or coming from Interfaces.C
- Ada view

```
with Interfaces.C;  
function C_Proc (I : Interfaces.C.Int)  
    return Interfaces.C.Int;  
pragma Import (C, C_Proc, "c_proc");
```

- C view

```
int c_proc (int i) {  
    /* some code */  
}
```

# Passing Structures as Parameters

- An Ada record that is mapping on a C struct must:
  - Be marked as convention C to enforce a C-like memory layout
  - Contain only C-compatible types

- C View

```
enum Enum {E1, E2, E3};  
struct Rec {  
    int A, B;  
    Enum C;  
};
```

- Ada View

```
type Enum is (E1, E2, E3);  
Pragma Convention ( C, Enum );  
type Rec is record  
    A, B : int;  
    C : Enum;  
end record;  
Pragma Convention ( C, Rec );
```

- Using Ada 2012 aspects

```
type Enum is (E1, E2, E3) with Convention => C;  
type Rec is record  
    A, B : int;  
    C : Enum;  
end record with Convention => C;
```

# Parameter modes

- **in** scalar parameters passed by copy
- **out** and **in out** scalars passed using temporary pointer on C side
- By default, composite types passed by reference on all modes except when the type is marked `C_Pass_By_Copy`
  - Be very careful with records - some C ABI pass small structures by copy!
- Ada View

```
Type R1 is record
  V : int;
end record
with Convention => C;

type R2 is record
  V : int;
end record
with Convention => C_Pass_By_Copy;
```

- C View

```
struct R1{
  int V;
};
struct R2 {
  int V;
};
void f1 (R1 p);
void f2 (R2 p);
```

## Complex Data Types

# Unions

## ■ C `union`

```
union Rec {  
    int A;  
    float B;  
};
```

- C unions can be bound using the `Unchecked_Union` aspect
- These types must have a mutable discriminant for convention purpose, which doesn't exist at run-time
  - All checks based on its value are removed - safety loss
  - It cannot be manually accessed

## ■ Ada implementation of a C `union`

```
type Rec (Flag : Boolean := False) is  
record  
    case Flag is  
        when True =>  
            A : int;  
        when False =>  
            B : float;  
    end case;  
end record  
with Unchecked_Union,  
    Convention => C;
```

# Arrays Interfacing

- In Ada, arrays are of two kinds:
  - Constrained arrays
  - Unconstrained arrays
- Unconstrained arrays are associated with
  - Components
  - Bounds
- In C, an array is just a memory location pointing (hopefully) to a structured memory location
  - C does not have the notion of unconstrained arrays
- Bounds must be managed manually
  - By convention (null at the end of string)
  - By storing them on the side
- Only Ada constrained arrays can be interfaced with C



# Arrays from Ada to C

- An Ada array is a composite data structure containing 2 elements:  
Bounds and Elements

- **Fat pointers**

- When arrays can be sent from Ada to C, C will only receive an access to the elements of the array

- Ada View

```
type Arr is array (Integer range <>) of int;  
procedure P (V : Arr; Size : int);  
pragma Import (C, P, "p");
```

- C View

```
void p (int * v, int size) {  
}
```

# Arrays from C to Ada

- There are no boundaries to C types, the only Ada arrays that can be bound must have static bounds
- Additional information will probably need to be passed
- Ada View

```
-- DO NOT DECLARE OBJECTS OF THIS TYPE  
type Arr is array (0 .. Integer'Last) of int;
```

```
procedure P (V : Arr; Size : int);  
pragma Export (C, P, "p");
```

```
procedure P (V : Arr; Size : int) is  
begin  
  for J in 0 .. Size - 1 loop  
    -- code;  
  end loop;  
end P;
```

- C View

```
extern void p (int * v, int size);  
int x [100];  
p (x, 100);
```

# Strings

- Importing a `String` from C is like importing an array - has to be done through a constrained array
- `Interfaces.C.Strings` gives a standard way of doing that
- Unfortunately, C strings have to end by a null character
- Exporting an Ada string to C needs a copy!

```
Ada_Str : String := "Hello World";  
C_Str : chars_ptr := New_String (Ada_Str);
```

- Alternatively, a knowledgeable Ada programmer can manually create Ada strings with correct ending and manage them directly

```
Ada_Str : String := "Hello World" & ASCII.NUL;
```

- Back to the unsafe world - it really has to be worth it speed-wise!

## Interfaces.C

# Interfaces.C Hierarchy

- Ada supplies a subsystem to deal with Ada/C interactions
- `Interfaces.C` - contains typical C types and constants, plus some simple Ada string to/from C character array conversion routines
  - `Interfaces.C.Extensions` - some additional C/C++ types
  - `Interfaces.C.Pointers` - generic package to simulate C pointers (pointer as an unconstrained array, pointer arithmetic, etc)
  - `Interfaces.C.Strings` - types / functions to deal with C "char \*"

# Interfaces.C

```

package Interfaces.C is

  -- Declaration's based on C's <limits.h>
  CHAR_BIT   : constant := 8;
  SCHAR_MIN  : constant := -128;
  SCHAR_MAX  : constant := 127;
  UCHAR_MAX  : constant := 255;

  type int     is new Integer;
  type short   is new Short_Integer;
  type long    is range -(2 ** (System.Parameters.long_bits - Integer'(1))) ..
    .. +(2 ** (System.Parameters.long_bits - Integer'(1))) - 1;

  type signed_char is range SCHAR_MIN .. SCHAR_MAX;
  for signed_char'Size use CHAR_BIT;

  type unsigned      is mod 2 ** int'Size;
  type unsigned_short is mod 2 ** short'Size;
  type unsigned_long  is mod 2 ** long'Size;

  type unsigned_char is mod (UCHAR_MAX + 1);
  for unsigned_char'Size use CHAR_BIT;

  type ptrdiff_t is range -(2 ** (System.Parameters.ptr_bits - Integer'(1))) ..
    .. +(2 ** (System.Parameters.ptr_bits - Integer'(1))) - 1;

  type size_t is mod 2 ** System.Parameters.ptr_bits;

  -- Floating-Point
  type C_float   is new Float;
  type double    is new Standard.Long_Float;
  type long_double is new Standard.Long_Long_Float;

  type char is new Character;
  nul : constant char := char'First;

  function To_C (Item : Character) return char;
  function To_Ada (Item : char) return Character;

  type char_array is array (size_t range <>) of aliased char;
  for char_array'Component_Size use CHAR_BIT;

  function Is_Nul_Terminated (Item : char_array) return Boolean;

  -- (more not specified here)

end Interfaces.C;

```

# Interfaces.C.Extensions

```
package Interfaces.C.Extensions is

  -- Definitions for C "void" and "void *" types
  subtype void      is System.Address;
  subtype void_ptr  is System.Address;

  -- Definitions for C incomplete/unknown structs
  subtype opaque_structure_def is System.Address;
  type opaque_structure_def_ptr is access opaque_structure_def;

  -- Definitions for C++ incomplete/unknown classes
  subtype incomplete_class_def is System.Address;
  type incomplete_class_def_ptr is access incomplete_class_def;

  -- C bool
  type bool is new Boolean;
  pragma Convention (C, bool);

  -- 64-bit integer types
  subtype long_long is Long_Long_Integer;
  type unsigned_long_long is mod 2 ** 64;

  -- (more not specified here)

end Interfaces.C.Extensions;
```

# Interfaces.C.Pointers

```

generic
  type Index is (<>);
  type Element is private;
  type Element_Array is array (Index range <>) of aliased Element;
  Default_Terminator : Element;

package Interfaces.C.Pointers is

  type Pointer is access all Element;
  for Pointer'Size use System.Parameters.ptr_bits;

  function Value (Ref          : Pointer;
                  Terminator : Element := Default_Terminator)
    return Element_Array;

  function Value (Ref      : Pointer;
                  Length : ptrdiff_t)
    return Element_Array;

  Pointer_Error : exception;

  function "+" (Left : Pointer;   Right : ptrdiff_t) return Pointer;
  function "+" (Left : ptrdiff_t; Right : Pointer)   return Pointer;
  function "-" (Left : Pointer;   Right : ptrdiff_t) return Pointer;
  function "-" (Left : Pointer;   Right : Pointer)   return ptrdiff_t;

  procedure Increment (Ref : in out Pointer);
  procedure Decrement (Ref : in out Pointer);

  -- (more not specified here)

end Interfaces.C.Pointers;

```



# Interfaces.C.Strings

```
package Interfaces.C.Strings is

  type char_array_access is access all char_array;
  for char_array_access'Size use System.Parameters.ptr_bits;

  type chars_ptr is private;

  type chars_ptr_array is array (size_t range <>) of aliased chars_ptr;

  Null_Ptr : constant chars_ptr;

  function To_Chars_Ptr (Item      : char_array_access;
                        Nul_Check : Boolean := False) return chars_ptr;

  function New_Char_Array (Chars : char_array) return chars_ptr;

  function New_String (Str : String) return chars_ptr;

  procedure Free (Item : in out chars_ptr);

  function Value (Item : chars_ptr) return char_array;
  function Value (Item  : chars_ptr;
                  Length : size_t)
    return char_array;
  function Value (Item : chars_ptr) return String;
  function Value (Item  : chars_ptr;
                  Length : size_t)
    return String;

  function Strlen (Item : chars_ptr) return size_t;

  -- (more not specified here)

end Interfaces.C.Strings;
```

## Lab

# Interfacing with C Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Given a C function that calculates speed in MPH from some information, your application should
  - Ask user for distance and time
  - Populate the structure appropriately
  - Call C function to return speed
  - Print speed to console

## ■ Hints

- Structure contains the following fields
  - Distance (floating point)
  - Distance Type (enumerated)
  - Seconds (floating point)

## Interfacing with C Lab - GNAT Studio

To compile/link the C file into the Ada executable:

- 1 Make sure the C file is in the same directory as the Ada source files
- 2 Edit → Project Properties
- 3 Sources → Languages → Check the "C" box
- 4 Build and execute as normal

# Interfacing with C Lab Solution - Ada

```

with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Interfaces.C;
procedure Main is

    package Float_Io is new Ada.Text_IO.Float_IO (Interfaces.C.C_float);

    One_Minute_In_Seconds : constant := 60.0;
    One_Hour_In_Seconds   : constant := 60.0 * One_Minute_In_Seconds;

    type Distance_T is (Feet, Meters, Miles) with Convention => C;
    type Data_T is record
        Distance      : Interfaces.C.C_float;
        Distance_Type : Distance_T;
        Seconds       : Interfaces.C.C_float;
    end record with Convention => C;
    function C_Miles_Per_Hour (Data : Data_T) return Interfaces.C.C_float
        with Import, Convention => C, External_Name => "miles_per_hour";

    Object_Feet : constant Data_T :=
        (Distance => 6_000.0,
         Distance_Type => Feet,
         Seconds   => One_Minute_In_Seconds);
    Object_Meters : constant Data_T :=
        (Distance => 3_000.0,
         Distance_Type => Meters,
         Seconds   => One_Hour_In_Seconds);
    Object_Miles : constant Data_T :=
        (Distance => 1.0,
         Distance_Type =>
             Miles, Seconds => 1.0);

    procedure Run (Object : Data_T) is
    begin
        Float_Io.Put (Object.Distance);
        Put (" " & Distance_T'Image (Object.Distance_Type) & " in ");
        Float_Io.Put (Object.Seconds);
        Put (" seconds = ");
        Float_Io.Put (C_Miles_Per_Hour (Object));
        Put_Line (" mph");
    end Run;

begin
    Run (Object_Feet);
    Run (Object_Meters);
    Run (Object_Miles);
end Main;

```

# Interfacing with C Lab Solution - C

```
enum DistanceT { FEET, METERS, MILES };
struct DataT {
    float distance;
    enum DistanceT distanceType;
    float seconds;
};

float miles_per_hour ( struct DataT data ) {
    float miles = data.distance;
    switch ( data.distanceType ) {
        case METERS:
            miles = data.distance / 1609.344;
            break;
        case FEET:
            miles = data.distance / 5280.0;
            break;
    };
    return miles / ( data.seconds / ( 60.0 * 60.0 ) );
}
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Possible to interface with other languages (typically C)
- Ada provides some built-in support to make interfacing simpler
- Crossing languages can be made safer
  - But it still increases complexity of design / implementation



# Tasking

## Introduction

# A Simple Task

- Parallel code execution via **task**
- **limited** types (No copies allowed)

```
procedure Main is
  task type Put_T;
  task body Put_T is
  begin
    loop
      delay 1.0;
      Put_Line ("T");
    end loop;
  end Put_T;

  T : Put_T;
begin -- Main task body
  loop
    delay 1.0;
    Put_Line ("Main");
  end loop;
end;
```

# Two Synchronization Models

- Active
  - Rendezvous
  - **Client / Server** model
  - Server **entries**
  - Client **entry calls**
- Passive
  - **Protected objects** model
  - Concurrency-safe **semantics**

## Tasks

# Rendezvous Definitions

- **Server** declares several **entry**
- Client calls entries like subprograms
- Server **accept** the client calls
- At each standalone **accept**, server task **blocks**
  - **Until** a client calls the related **entry**

```
task type Msg_Box_T is
  entry Start;
  entry Receive_Message (S : String);
end Msg_Box_T;

task body Msg_Box_T is
begin
  loop
    accept Start;
    Put_Line ("start");

    accept Receive_Message (S : String) do
      Put_Line (S);
    end Receive_Message;
  end loop;
end Msg_Box_T;
```

# Rendezvous Entry Calls

- Upon calling an **entry**, client **blocks**
  - **Until** server reaches **end** of its **accept** block

```
Put_Line ("calling start");  
T.Start;  
Put_Line ("calling receive 1");  
T.Receive_Message ("1");  
Put_Line ("calling receive 2");  
T.Receive_Message ("2");
```

- May be executed as follows:

```
calling start  
start           -- May switch place with line below  
calling receive 1 -- May switch place with line above  
Receive 1  
calling receive 2  
-- Blocked until another task calls Start
```

# Accepting a Rendezvous

- **accept** statement
  - Wait on single entry
  - If entry call waiting: Server handles it
  - Else: Server **waits** for an entry call
- **select** statement
  - **Several** entries accepted at the **same time**
  - Can **time-out** on the wait
  - Can be **not blocking** if no entry call waiting
  - Can **terminate** if no clients can **possibly** make entry call
  - Can **conditionally** accept a rendezvous based on a **guard expression**



## Protected Objects

# Protected Objects

- **Multitask-safe** accessors to get and set state
- **No** direct state manipulation
- **No** concurrent modifications
- **limited** types (No copies allowed)

```
protected type
    Protected_Value is
        procedure Set (V : Integer);
        function Get return Integer;
private
    Value : Integer;
end Protected_Value;

protected body Protected_Value is
    procedure Set (V : Integer) is
    begin
        Value := V;
    end Set;

    function Get return Integer is
    begin
        return Value;
    end Get;
end Protected_Value;
```

# Protected: Functions and Procedures

- A **function** can **get** the state
  - Protected data is **read-only**
  - Concurrent call to **function** is **allowed**
  - **No** concurrent call to **procedure**
- A **procedure** can **set** the state
  - **No** concurrent call to either **procedure** or **function**
- In case of concurrency, other callers get **blocked**
  - Until call finishes

## Delays

# Delay keyword

- **delay** keyword part of tasking
- Blocks for a time
- Relative: Blocks for at least Duration
- Absolute: Blocks until a given `Calendar.Time` or `Real_Time.Time`

```
with Calendar;
```

```
procedure Main is
```

```
    Relative : Duration := 1.0;
```

```
    Absolute : Calendar.Time
```

```
        := Calendar.Time_Of (2030, 10, 01);
```

```
begin
```

```
    delay Relative;
```

```
    delay until Absolute;
```

```
end Main;
```

## Task and Protected Types

# Task Activation

- Instantiated tasks start running when **activated**
- On the **stack**
  - When **enclosing** declarative part finishes **elaborating**
- On the **heap**
  - **Immediately** at instantiation

```
task type First_T is ...
type First_T_A is access all First_T;

task body First_T is ...
...
declare
    V1 : First_T;
    V2 : First_T_A;
begin  -- V1 is activated
    V2 := new First_T;  -- V2 is activated immediately
```

# Single Declaration

- Instantiate an **anonymous** task (or protected) type
- Declares an object of that type
  - Body declaration is then using the **object** name

```
task Msg_Box is
  -- Msg_Box task is declared *and* instantiated
  entry Receive_Message (S : String);
end Msg_Box;
```

```
task body Msg_Box is
begin
  loop
    accept Receive_Message (S : String) do
      Put_Line (S);
    end Receive_Message;
  end loop;
end Msg_Box;
```



# Task Scope

- Nesting is possible in **any** declarative block
- Scope has to **wait** for tasks to finish before ending
- At library level: program ends only when **all tasks** finish

```
package P is  
    task type T;  
end P;
```

```
package body P is  
    task body T is  
        loop  
            delay 1.0;  
            Put_Line ("tick");  
        end loop;  
    end T;
```

```
    Task_Instance : T;  
end P;
```

## Some Advanced Concepts

# Waiting On Multiple Entries

- **select** can wait on multiple entries
  - With **equal** priority, regardless of declaration order

```
loop
  select
    accept Receive_Message (V : String)
    do
      Put_Line ("Message : " & String);
    end Receive_Message;
  or
    accept Stop;
    exit;
  end select;
end loop;

...
T.Receive_Message ("A");
T.Receive_Message ("B");
T.Stop;
```

# Waiting With a Delay

- A **select** statement may **time-out** using **delay** or **delay until**
  - Resume execution at next statement
- Multiple **delay** allowed
  - Useful when the value is not hard-coded

```
loop
  select
    accept Receive_Message (V : String) do
      Put_Line ("Message : " & String);
    end Receive_Message;
  or
    delay 50.0;
    Put_Line ("Don't wait any longer");
    exit;
  end select;
end loop;
```

## Calling an Entry With a Delay Protection

- A call to **entry** **blocks** the task until the entry is **accept** 'ed
- Wait for a **given amount of time** with **select ... delay**
- Only **one** entry call is allowed
- No **accept** statement is allowed

```
task Msg_Box is
    entry Receive_Message (V : String);
end Msg_Box;
```

```
procedure Main is
begin
    select
        Msg_Box.Receive_Message ("A");
    or
        delay 50.0;
    end select;
end Main;
```

# Non-blocking Accept or Entry

- Using **else**
  - Task **skips** the **accept** or **entry** call if they are **not ready** to be entered
- **delay** is **not** allowed in this case

```
select
  accept Receive_Message (V : String) do
    Put_Line ("Received : " & V);
  end Receive_Message;
else
  Put_Line ("Nothing to receive");
end select;
```

[...]

```
select
  T.Receive_Message ("A");
else
  Put_Line ("Receive message not called");
end select;
```

# Queue

- Protected **entry** or **procedure** and tasks **entry** are activated by **one** task at a time
- **Mutual exclusion** section
- Other tasks trying to enter are **queued**
  - In **First-In First-Out** (FIFO) by default
- When the server task **terminates**, tasks still queued receive `Tasking_Error`

# Advanced Tasking

Other constructions are available

- **Guard condition** on **accept**
- **requeue** to **defer** handling of an **entry** call
- **terminate** the task when no **entry** call can happen anymore
- **abort** to stop a task immediately
- **select ... then abort** some other task



## Lab

# Tasking Lab

## ■ Requirements

- Create multiple tasks with the following attributes
  - Startup entry receives some identifying information and a delay length
  - Stop entry will end the task
  - Until stopped, the task will send it's identifying information to a monitor periodically based on the delay length
- Create a protected object that stores the identifying information of task that called it
- Main program should periodically check the protected object, and print when it detects a task switch
  - I.e. If the current task is different than the last printed task, print the identifying information for the current task

# Tasking Lab Solution - Protected Object

```
with Task_Type;
package Protected_Object is
    protected Monitor is
        procedure Set (Id : Task_Type.Task_Id_T);
        function Get return Task_Type.Task_Id_T;
    private
        Value : Task_Type.Task_Id_T;
    end Monitor;
end Protected_Object;

package body Protected_Object is
    protected body Monitor is
        procedure Set (Id : Task_Type.Task_Id_T) is
        begin
            Value := Id;
        end Set;
        function Get return Task_Type.Task_Id_T is (Value);
    end Monitor;
end Protected_Object;
```

# Tasking Lab Solution - Task Type

```
package Task_Type is
  type Task_Id_T is range 1_000 .. 9_999;
  task type Task_T is
    entry Start_Task (Task_Id      : Task_Id_T;
                     Delay_Duration : Duration);

    entry Stop_Task;
  end Task_T;
end Task_Type;

with Protected_Object;
package body Task_Type is
  task body Task_T is
    Wait_Time : Duration;
    Id        : Task_Id_T;
  begin
    accept Start_Task (Task_Id      : Task_Id_T;
                     Delay_Duration : Duration) do
      Wait_Time := Delay_Duration;
      Id        := Task_Id;
    end Start_Task;
    loop
      select
        accept Stop_Task;
        exit;
      or
        delay Wait_Time;
        Protected_Object.Monitor.Set (Id);
      end select;
    end loop;
  end Task_T;
end Task_Type;
```

# Tasking Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Protected_Object;
with Task_Type;
procedure Main is
  T1, T2, T3      : Task_Type.Task_T;
  Last_Id, This_Id : Task_Type.Task_Id_T := Task_Type.Task_Id_T'last;
  use type Task_Type.Task_Id_T;
begin

  T1.Start_Task (1_111, 0.3);
  T2.Start_Task (2_222, 0.5);
  T3.Start_Task (3_333, 0.7);

  for Count in 1 .. 20 loop
    This_Id := Protected_Object.Monitor.Get;
    if Last_Id /= This_Id then
      Last_Id := This_Id;
      Put_Line (Count'image & "> " & Last_Id'image);
    end if;
    delay 0.2;
  end loop;

  T1.Stop_Task;
  T2.Stop_Task;
  T3.Stop_Task;

end Main;
```

## Summary

# Summary

- Tasks are **language-based** multi-threading mechanisms
  - Not necessarily for **truly** parallel operations
  - Originally for task-switching / time-slicing
- Multiple mechanisms to **synchronize** tasks
  - Delay
  - Rendezvous
  - Queues
  - Protected Objects

# Low Level Programming



# Introduction

# Introduction

- Sometimes you need to get your hands dirty
- Hardware Issues
  - Register or memory access
  - Assembler code for speed or size issues
- Interfacing with other software
  - Object sizes
  - Endianness
  - Data conversion

## Data Representation

# Data Representation vs Requirements

- Developer usually defines requirements on a type

```
type My_Int is range 1 .. 10;
```

- The compiler then generates a representation for this type that can accommodate requirements

- In GNAT, can be consulted using `-gnatR2` switch

```
type My_Int is range 1 .. 10;
for My_Int'Object_Size use 8;
for My_Int'Value_Size  use 4;
for My_Int'Alignment   use 1;

-- using Ada 2012 aspects
type Ada2012_Int is range 1 .. 10
  with Object_Size => 8,
       Value_Size  => 4,
       Alignment   => 1;
```

- These values can be explicitly set, the compiler will check their consistency
- They can be queried as attributes if needed

```
X : Integer := My_Int'Alignment;
```

## Value\_Size / Size

- **Value\_Size** (or **Size** in the Ada Reference Manual) is the minimal number of bits required to represent data
  - For example, `Boolean'Size = 1`
- The compiler is allowed to use larger size to represent an actual object, but will check that the minimal size is enough

```
type T1 is range 1 .. 4;  
for T1'Size use 3;
```

```
-- using Ada 2012 aspects  
type T2 is range 1 .. 4  
  with Size => 3;
```

## Object Size (GNAT-Specific)

- **Object\_Size** represents the size of the object in memory
- It must be a multiple of **Alignment** \* **Storage\_Unit (8)**, and at least equal to **Size**

```
type T1 is range 1 .. 4;  
for T1'Value_Size use 3;  
for T1'Object_Size use 8;
```

```
-- using Ada 2012 aspects  
type T2 is range 1 .. 4  
  with Value_Size => 3,  
       Object_Size => 8;
```

- Object size is the *default* size of an object, can be changed if specific representations are given

# Alignment

- Number of bytes on which the type has to be aligned
- Some alignment may be more efficient than others in terms of speed (e.g. boundaries of words (4, 8))
- Some alignment may be more efficient than others in terms of memory usage

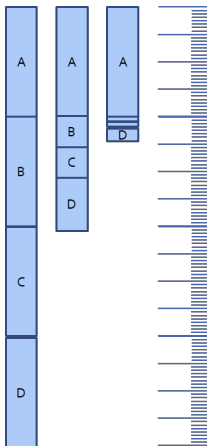
```
type T1 is range 1 .. 4;  
for T1'Size use 4;  
for T1'Alignment use 8;
```

```
-- using Ada 2012 aspects  
type T2 is range 1 .. 4  
  with Size      => 4,  
       Alignment => 8;
```

# Record Types

- Ada doesn't force any particular memory layout
- Depending on optimization of constraints, layout can be optimized for speed, size, or not optimized

```
type Enum is (E1, E2, E3);  
type Rec is record  
  A : Integer;  
  B : Boolean;  
  C : Boolean;  
  D : Enum;  
end record;
```





# Pack Aspect

- **pack** aspect (or pragma) applies to composite types (record and array)
- Compiler optimizes data for size no matter performance impact
- Unpacked

```
type Enum is (E1, E2, E3);
type Rec is record
  A : Integer;
  B : Boolean;
  C : Boolean;
  D : Enum;
end record;
type Ar is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean;
-- Rec'Size is 56, Ar'Size is 8000
```

- Packed

```
type Enum is (E1, E2, E3);
type Rec is record
  A : Integer;
  B : Boolean;
  C : Boolean;
  D : Enum;
end record with Pack;
type Ar is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean;
pragma Pack (Ar);
-- Rec'Size is 36, Ar'Size is 1000
```

## Record Representation Clauses

- Exact mapping between a record and its binary representation
- Optimization purposes, or hardware requirements
  - Driver mapped on the address space, communication protocol...
- Fields represented as  
    <name> **at** <byte> **range**  
        <starting-bit> ..  
        <ending-bit>

```
type Rec1 is record
  A : Integer range 0 .. 4;
  B : Boolean;
  C : Integer;
  D : Enum;
end record;
for Rec1 use record
  A at 0 range 0 .. 2;
  B at 0 range 3 .. 3;
  C at 0 range 4 .. 35;
  -- unused space here
  D at 5 range 0 .. 2;
end record;
```

## Array Representation Clauses

- Component\_Size for array's **component's** size

```
type Ar1 is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean;  
for Ar1'Component_Size use 2;
```

```
-- using Ada 2012 aspects  
type Ar2 is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean  
  with Component_Size => 2;
```

# Endianness Specification

- **Bit\_Order** for a type's endianness
- **Scalar\_Storage\_Order** for composite types
  - Endianness of components' ordering
  - GNAT-specific
  - Must be consistent with **Bit\_Order**
- Compiler will perform needed bitwise transformations when performing operations

```
type Rec is record
  A : Integer;
  B : Boolean;
end record;
for Rec use record
  A at 0 range 0 .. 31;
  B at 0 range 32 .. 33;
end record;
for Rec'Bit_Order use System.High_Order_First;
for Rec'Scalar_Storage_Order use System.High_Order_First;

-- using Ada 2012 aspects
type Ar is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean with
  Scalar_Storage_Order => System.Low_Order_First;
```

# Change of Representation

- Explicit new type can be used to set representation
- Very useful to unpack data from file/hardware to speed up references

```
type Rec_T is record
    Field1 : Unsigned_8;
    Field2 : Unsigned_16;
    Field3 : Unsigned_8;
end record;
type Packed_Rec_T is new Rec_T;
for Packed_Rec_T use record
    Field1 at 0 range 0 .. 7;
    Field2 at 0 range 8 .. 23;
    Field3 at 0 range 24 .. 31;
end record;
R : Rec_T;
P : Packed_Rec_T;
...
R := Rec_T (P);
P := Packed_Rec_T (R);
```

## Address Clauses and Overlays

# Address

- Ada distinguishes the notions of
  - A reference to an object
  - An abstract notion of address (**System.Address**)
  - The integer representation of an address
- Safety is preserved by letting the developer manipulate the right level of abstraction
- Conversion between pointers, integers and addresses are possible
- The address of an object can be specified through the **Address** aspect

# Address Clauses

- Ada allows specifying the address of an entity

```
Var : Unsigned_32;  
for Var'Address use ... ;
```

- Very useful to declare I/O registers

- For that purpose, the object should be declared volatile:

```
pragma Volatile (Var);
```

- Useful to read a value anywhere

```
function Get_Byte (Addr : Address) return Unsigned_8 is  
  V : Unsigned_8;  
  for V'Address use Addr;  
  pragma Import (Ada, V);  
begin  
  return V;  
end;
```

- In particular the address doesn't need to be constant
  - But must match alignment



# Address Values

- The type **Address** is declared in **System**
  - But this is a **private** type
  - You cannot use a number
- Ada standard way to set constant addresses:
  - Use **System.Storage\_Elements** which allows arithmetic on address

```
for V'Address use  
    System.Storage_Elements.To_Address (16#120#);
```

- GNAT specific attribute **'To\_Address**
  - Handy but not portable

```
for V'Address use System'To_Address (16#120#);
```

# Volatile

- The **Volatile** property can be set using an aspect (in Ada2012 only) or a pragma
- Ada also allows volatile types as well as objects.

```
type Volatile_U16 is mod 2**16;  
pragma Volatile(Volatile_U16);  
type Volatile_U32 is mod 2**32 with Volatile; -- Ada 2012
```

- The exact sequence of reads and writes from the source code must appear in the generated code.
  - No optimization of reads and writes
- Volatile types are passed by-reference.

# Ada Address Example

```
type Bitfield is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean;
pragma Component_Size (1);

V  : aliased Integer; -- object can be referenced elsewhere
pragma Volatile (V); -- may be updated at any time

V2 : aliased Integer;
pragma Volatile (V2);

V_A : System.Address := V'Address;
V_I : Integer_Address := To_Integer (V_A);

-- This maps directly on to the bits of V
V3 : aliased Bitfield (1 .. V'Size);
for V3'Address use V_A; -- overlay

V4 : aliased Integer;
-- Trust me, I know what I'm doing, this is V2
for V4'Address use To_Address (V_I - 4);
```

# Aliasing Detection

- *Aliasing*: multiple objects are accessing the same address
  - Types can be different
  - Two pointers pointing to the same address
  - Two references onto the same address
  - Two objects at the same address
- `Var1'Has_Same_Storage (Var2)` checks if two objects occupy exactly the same space
- `Var'Overlaps_Storage (Var2)` checks if two object are partially or fully overlapping

# Unchecked Conversion

- **Unchecked\_Conversion** allows an unchecked *bitwise* conversion of data between two types.

- Needs to be explicitly instantiated

```
type Bitfield is array (1 .. Integer'Size) of Boolean;  
function To_Bitfield is new  
    Ada.Unchecked_Conversion (Integer, Bitfield);  
V : Integer;  
V2 : Bitfield := To_Bitfield (V);
```

- Avoid conversion if the sizes don't match
  - Not defined by the standard

## Inline Assembly

# Calling Assembly Code

- Calling assembly code is a vendor-specific extension
- GNAT allows passing assembly with **System.Machine\_Code.ASM**
  - Handled by the linker directly
- The developer is responsible for mapping variables on temporaries or registers
- See documentation
  - GNAT RM 13.1 Machine Code Insertion
  - GCC UG 6.39 Assembler Instructions with C Expression Operands

# Simple Statement

- Instruction without inputs/outputs

```
Asm ("halt", Volatile => True);
```

- You may specify **Volatile** to avoid compiler optimizations
- In general, keep it False unless it created issues

- You can group several instructions

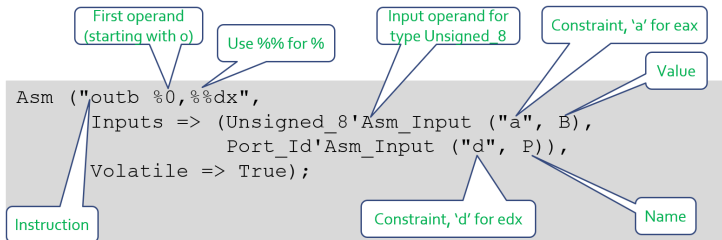
```
Asm ("nop" & ASCII.LF & ASCII.HT  
    & "nop", Volatile => True);  
Asm ("nop; nop", Volatile => True);
```

- The compiler doesn't check the assembly, only the assembler will
  - Error message might be difficult to read



# Operands

- It is often useful to have inputs or outputs...
- **Asm\_Input** and **Asm\_Output** attributes on types



## Mapping Inputs / Outputs on Temporaries

```
Asm (<script referencing $<input> >,  
    Inputs => ({<type>'Asm_Input ( <constraint>,  
                                     <variable>)}),  
    Outputs => ({<type>'Asm_Output ( <constraint>,  
                                     <variable>)}));
```

- **assembly script** containing assembly instructions + references to registers and temporaries
- **constraint** specifies how variable can be mapped on memory (see documentation for full details)

| Constraint | Meaning                  |
|------------|--------------------------|
| R          | General purpose register |
| M          | Memory                   |
| F          | Floating-point register  |
| I          | A constant               |
| g          | global (on x86)          |
| a          | eax (on x86)             |

# Main Rules

- No control flow between assembler statements
  - Use Ada control flow statement
  - Or use control flow within one statement
- Avoid using fixed registers
  - Makes compiler's life more difficult
  - Let the compiler choose registers
  - You should correctly describe register constraints
- On x86, the assembler uses AT&T convention
  - First operand is source, second is destination
- See your toolchain's assembler manual for syntax

# Volatile and Clobber ASM Parameters

- **Volatile** → True deactivates optimizations with regards to suppressed instructions
- **Clobber** → "`reg1, reg2, ...`" contains the list of registers considered to be "destroyed" by the use of the ASM call
  - `memory` if the memory is accessed
    - Compiler won't use memory cache in registers across the instruction.
  - `cc` if flags might have changed

# Instruction Counter Example (x86)

```
with System.Machine_Code; use System.Machine_Code;
with Ada.Text_IO;         use Ada.Text_IO;
with Interfaces;          use Interfaces;
procedure Main is
  Low    : Unsigned_32;
  High   : Unsigned_32;
  Value  : Unsigned_64;
  use ASCII;
begin
  Asm ("rdtsc" & LF,
      Outputs =>
        (Unsigned_32'Asm_Output ("=g", Low),
         Unsigned_32'Asm_Output ("=a", High)),
      Volatile => True);
  Values := Unsigned_64 (Low) +
             Unsigned_64 (High) * 2 ** 32;
  Put_Line (Values'Image);
end Main;
```

## Reading a Machine Register (ppc)

```
function Get_MSR return MSR_Type is
  Res : MSR_Type;
begin
  Asm ("mfmsr %0",
      Outputs => MSR_Type'Asm_Output ("=r", Res),
      Volatile => True);
  return Res;
end Get_MSR;

generic
  Spr : Natural;
function Get_Spr return Unsigned_32;
function Get_Spr return Unsigned_32 is
  Res : Unsigned_32;
begin
  Asm ("mfspr %0,%1",
      Inputs => Natural'Asm_Input ("K", Spr),
      Outputs => Unsigned_32'Asm_Output ("=r", Res),
      Volatile => True);
  return Res;
end Get_Spr;

function Get_Pir is new Get_Spr (286);
```

## Writing a Machine Register (ppc)

```
generic
```

```
  Spr : Natural;
```

```
procedure Set_Spr (V : Unsigned_32);
```

```
procedure Set_Spr (V : Unsigned_32) is
```

```
begin
```

```
  Asm ("mtspr %0,%1",
```

```
    Inputs => (Natural'Asm_Input ("K", Spr),
```

```
              Unsigned_32'Asm_Input ("r", V)));
```

```
end Set_Spr;
```

## Tricks



# Package Interfaces

- Package **Interfaces** provide integer and unsigned types for many sizes
  - **Integer\_8, Integer\_16, Integer\_32, Integer\_64**
  - **Unsigned\_8, Unsigned\_16, Unsigned\_32, Unsigned\_64**
- With shift/rotation functions for unsigned types

## Fat/Thin pointers for Arrays

- Unconstrained array access is a fat pointer

```
type String_Acc is access String;  
Msg : String_Acc;  
-- array bounds stored outside array pointer
```

- Use a size representation clause for a thin pointer

```
type String_Acc is access String;  
for String_Acc'size use 32;  
-- array bounds stored as part of array pointer
```

# Flat Arrays

- A constrained array access is a thin pointer
  - No need to store bounds

```
type Line_Acc is access String (1 .. 80);
```

- You can use big flat array to index memory
  - See **GNAT.Table**
  - Not portable

```
type Char_array is array (natural) of Character;  
type C_String_Acc is access Char_Array;
```

## Lab

# Low Level Programming Lab

## (Simplified) Message generation / propagation

### ■ Overview

- Populate a message structure with data and a CRC (cyclic redundancy check)
- "Send" and "Receive" messages and verify data is valid

### ■ Goal

- You should be able to create, "send", "receive", and print messages
- Creation should include generation of a CRC to ensure data security
- Receiving should include validation of CRC

# Project Requirements

- Message Generation
  - Message should at least contain:
    - Unique Identifier
    - (Constrained) string field
    - Two other fields
    - CRC value
- "Send" / "Receive"
  - To simulate send/receive:
    - "Send" should do a byte-by-byte write to a text file
    - "Receive" should do a byte-by-byte read from that same text file
  - Receiver should validate received CRC is valid
    - You can edit the text file to corrupt data

# Hints

- Use a representation clause to specify size of record
  - To get a valid size, individual components may need new types with their own rep spec
- CRC generation and file read/write should be similar processes
  - Need to convert a message into an array of "something"

# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - CRC

```
with System;
package Crc is
  type Crc_T is mod 2**32;
  for Crc_T'size use 32;
  function Generate
    (Address : System.Address;
     Size : Natural)
    return Crc_T;
end Crc;

package body Crc is
  type Array_T is array (Positive range <>) of Crc_T;
  function Generate
    (Address : System.Address;
     Size : Natural)
    return Crc_T is
    Word_Count : Natural;
    Retval : Crc_T := 0;
  begin
    if Size > 0
    then
      Word_Count := Size / 32;
      if Word_Count * 32 /= Size
      then
        Word_Count := Word_Count + 1;
      end if;
      declare
        Overlay : Array_T (1 .. Word_Count);
        for Overlay'address use Address;
      begin
        for I in Overlay'range
        loop
          Retval := Retval + Overlay (I);
        end loop;
      end;
    end if;
    return Retval;
  end Generate;
end Crc;
```



# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Messages (Spec)

```

with Crc; use Crc;
package Messages is
  type Message_T is private;
  type Command_T is (Noop, Direction, Ascend, Descend, Speed);
  for Command_T use
    (Noop => 0, Direction => 1, Ascend => 2, Descend => 4, Speed => 8);
  for Command_T'size use 8;
  function Create (Command : Command_T;
    Value : Positive;
    Text : String := "")
    return Message_T;

  function Get_Crc (Message : Message_T) return Crc_T;
  procedure Write (Message : Message_T);
  procedure Read ( Message : out Message_T;
    valid : out boolean );
  procedure Print (Message : Message_T);
private
  type U32_T is mod 2**32;
  for U32_T'size use 32;
  Max_Text_Length : constant := 20;
  type Text_Index_T is new Integer range 0 .. Max_Text_Length;
  for Text_Index_T'size use 8;
  type Text_T is record
    Text : String (1 .. Max_Text_Length);
    Last : Text_Index_T;
  end record;
  for Text_T'size use Max_Text_Length * 8 + Text_Index_T'size;
  type Message_T is record
    Unique_Id : U32_T;
    Command : Command_T;
    Value : U32_T;
    Text : Text_T;
    Crc : Crc_T;
  end record;
end Messages;

```

# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Main (Helpers)

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
with Messages;
procedure Main is
  Message : Messages.Message_T;
  function Command return Messages.Command_T is
  begin
    loop
      Put ("Command ( ");
      for E in Messages.Command_T
      loop
        Put (Messages.Command_T'image (E) & " ");
      end loop;
      Put ("): ");
      begin
        return Messages.Command_T'value (Get_Line);
      exception
        when others =>
          Put_Line ("Illegal");
      end;
    end loop;
  end Command;
  function Value return Positive is
  begin
    loop
      Put ("Value: ");
      begin
        return Positive'value (Get_Line);
      exception
        when others =>
          Put_Line ("Illegal");
      end;
    end loop;
  end Value;
  function Text return String is
  begin
    Put ("Text: ");
    return Get_Line;
  end Text;
```

# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Main

```
procedure Create is
  C : constant Messages.Command_T := Command;
  V : constant Positive           := Value;
  T : constant String             := Text;
begin
  Message := Messages.Create
    (Command => C,
     Value   => V,
     Text    => T);
end Create;
procedure Read is
  Valid : Boolean;
begin
  Messages.Read ( Message, Valid );
  Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line("Message valid: " & Boolean'Image ( Valid ));
end read;
begin
  loop
    Put ("Create Write Read Print: ");
    declare
      Command : constant String := Get_Line;
    begin
      exit when Command'length = 0;
      case Command (Command'first) is
        when 'c' | 'C' =>
          Create;
        when 'w' | 'W' =>
          Messages.Write (Message);
        when 'r' | 'R' =>
          read;
        when 'p' | 'P' =>
          Messages.Print (Message);
        when others =>
          null;
      end case;
    end;
  end loop;
end Main;
```

# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Messages (Helpers)

```
with Ada.Text_IO;
with Unchecked_Conversion;
package body Messages is
  Global_Unique_Id : U32_T := 0;
  function To_Text (Str : String) return Text_T is
    Length : Integer := Str'length;
    Retval : Text_T := (Text => (others => ' '), Last => 0);
  begin
    if Str'length > Retval.Text'length then
      Length := Retval.Text'length;
    end if;
    Retval.Text (1 .. Length) := Str (Str'first .. Str'first + Length - 1);
    Retval.Last := Text_Index_T (Length);
    return Retval;
  end To_Text;
  function From_Text (Text : Text_T) return String is
    Last : constant Integer := Integer (Text.Last);
  begin
    return Text.Text (1 .. Last);
  end From_Text;
  function Get_Crc (Message : Message_T) return Crc_T is
  begin
    return Message.Crc;
  end Get_Crc;
  function Validate (Original : Message_T) return Boolean is
    Clean : Message_T := Original;
  begin
    Clean.Crc := 0;
    return Crc.Generate (Clean'address, Clean'size) = Original.Crc;
  end Validate;
```

# Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Messages (Body)

```

function Create (Command : Command_T;
                Value   : Positive;
                Text    : String := "")
  return Message_T is
  Retval : Message_T;
begin
  Global_Unique_Id := Global_Unique_Id + 1;
  Retval :=
    (Unique_Id => Global_Unique_Id, Command => Command,
     Value   => US2_T (Value), Text => To_Text (Text), Crc => 0);
  Retval.Crc := Crc.Generate (Retval'address, Retval'size);
  return Retval;
end Create;
type Char is new Character;
for Char'size use 8;
type Overlay_T is array (1 .. Message_T'size / 8) of Char;
function Convert is new Unchecked_Conversion (Message_T, Overlay_T);
function Convert is new Unchecked_Conversion (Overlay_T, Message_T);
Const_Filename : constant String := "message.txt";
procedure Write (Message : Message_T) is
  Overlay : constant Overlay_T := Convert (Message);
  File    : Ada.Text_IO.File_Type;
begin
  Ada.Text_IO.Create (File, Ada.Text_IO.Out_File, Const_Filename);
  for I in Overlay'range loop
    Ada.Text_IO.Put (File, Character (Overlay (I)));
  end loop;
  Ada.Text_IO.New_Line (File);
  Ada.Text_IO.Close (File);
end Write;
procedure Read (Message : out Message_T;
               Valid    : out Boolean) is
  Overlay : Overlay_T;
  File    : Ada.Text_IO.File_Type;
begin
  Valid := False;
  Ada.Text_IO.Open (File, Ada.Text_IO.In_File, Const_Filename);
  declare
    Str : constant String := Ada.Text_IO.Get_Line (File);
  begin
    Ada.Text_IO.Close (File);
    for I in Str'range loop
      Overlay (I) := Char (Str (I));
    end loop;
    Message := Convert (Overlay);
    Valid   := Validate (Message);
  end;
end Read;
procedure Print (Message : Message_T) is
begin
  Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line ("Message" & US2_T'image (Message.Unique_Id));
  Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line (" " & Command_T'image (Message.Command) & " => " &
    US2_T'image (Message.Value));
  Ada.Text_IO.Put_Line (" Additional Info: " & From_Text (Message.Text));
end Print;
end Messages;

```

## Summary

# Summary

- Like C, Ada allows access to assembly-level programming
- Unlike C, Ada imposes some more restrictions to maintain some level of safety
- Ada also supplies language constructs and libraries to make low level programming easier

## Annex - Ada Version Comparison



# Ada Evolution

- Ada 83
  - Development late 70s
  - Adopted ANSI-MIL-STD-1815 Dec 10, 1980
  - Adopted ISO/8652-1987 Mar 12, 1987
- Ada 95
  - Early 90s
  - First ISO-standard OO language
- Ada 2005
  - Minor revision (amendment)
- Ada 2012
  - The new ISO standard of Ada

# Programming Structure, Modularity

|                                              | Ada<br>83 | Ada<br>95 | Ada<br>2005 | Ada<br>2012 |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Packages                                     | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Child units                                  |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Limited with and mutually dependent<br>specs |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Generic units                                | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Formal packages                              |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Partial parameterization                     |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Conditional/Case expressions                 |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Quantified expressions                       |           |           |             | ✓           |
| In-out parameters for functions              |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Iterators                                    |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Expression functions                         |           |           |             | ✓           |

# Object-Oriented Programming

|                                             | Ada<br>83 | Ada<br>95 | Ada<br>2005 | Ada<br>2012 |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Derived types                               | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Tagged types                                |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Multiple inheritance of interfaces          |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Named access types                          | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Access parameters, Access to<br>subprograms |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Enhanced anonymous access types             |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Aggregates                                  | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Extension aggregates                        |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Aggregates of limited type                  |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Unchecked deallocation                      | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Controlled types, Accessibility rules       |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Accessibility rules for anonymous types     |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Contract programming                        |           |           |             | ✓           |

# Concurrency

|                                        | Ada<br>83 | Ada<br>95 | Ada<br>2005 | Ada<br>2012 |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Tasks                                  | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Protected types, Distributed annex     |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Synchronized interfaces                |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Delays, Timed calls                    | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Real-time annex                        |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Ravenscar profile, Scheduling policies |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Multiprocessor affinity, barriers      |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Re-queue on synchronized interfaces    |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Ravenscar for multiprocessor systems   |           |           |             | ✓           |

# Standard Libraries

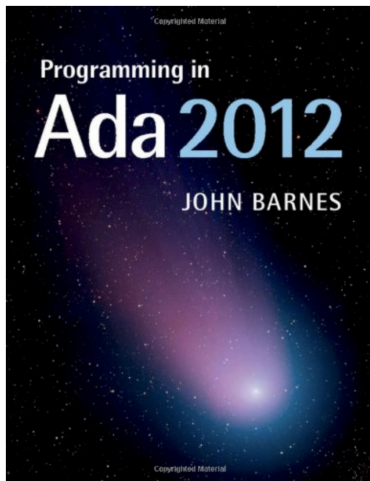
|                                                          | Ada<br>83 | Ada<br>95 | Ada<br>2005 | Ada<br>2012 |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Numeric types                                            | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Complex types                                            |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Vector/matrix libraries                                  |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Input/output                                             | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Elementary functions                                     |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| Containers                                               |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| Bounded Containers, holder containers,<br>multiway trees |           |           |             | ✓           |
| Task-safe queues                                         |           |           |             | ✓           |
| 7-bit ASCII                                              | ✓         | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| 8/16 bit                                                 |           | ✓         | ✓           | ✓           |
| 8/16/32 bit (full Unicode)                               |           |           | ✓           | ✓           |
| String encoding package                                  |           |           |             | ✓           |

## Annex - Reference Materials

## General Ada Information

# Learning the Ada Language

- Written as a tutorial for those new to Ada





# Reference Manual

- **LRM** - Language Reference Manual (or just **RM**)
  - Always on-line (including all previous versions) at [www.adaic.org](http://www.adaic.org)
- Finding stuff in the RM
  - You will often see the RM cited like this **RM 4.5.3(10)**
  - This means *Section 4.5.3, paragraph 10*
  - Have a look at the table of contents
    - Knowing that chapter 5 is *Statements* is useful
  - Index is very long, but very good!

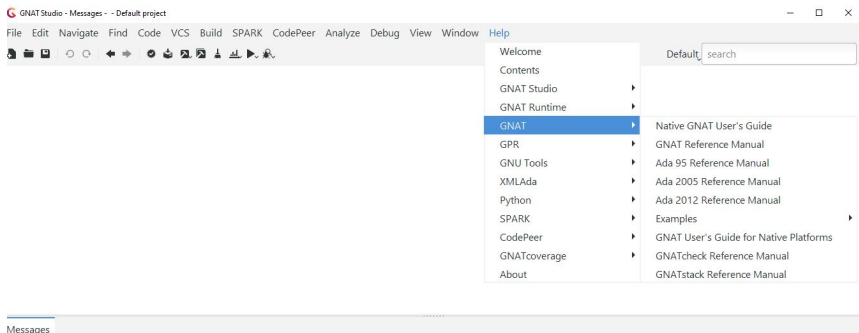
## Current Ada Standard

- "ISO/IEC 8652(E) with Technical Corrigendum 1"
- Useful as a Reference Text but not intended to be read from beginning to end

## GNAT-Specific Help

# Reference Manual

## ■ Reference Manual(s) available from GNAT STUDIO Help



# GNAT Tools

- GNAT User's Guide
  - LOTS of info about the main tools: the GNAT compiler, binder, linker etc.
- GNAT Reference Manual
  - How GNAT implements Ada, pragmas, aspects, attributes etc. etc.
- GNAT STUDIO (the IDE)
  - Tutorial
  - User's Guide
  - Release notes
- Many other tools

## AdaCore Support

## Need More Help?

- If you have an AdaCore subscription:
  - Find out your customer number #XXXX
- Open a case via email:
  - Send to: support@adacore.com
  - Subject should read: #XXXX - (descriptive text)
    - Where **XXXX** is your customer number
    - And **(descriptive text)** becomes the title of your case
- Or login to support.adacore.com and select *Create A New Case*
- Not just for "bug reports"
  - Ask questions, make suggestions etc. etc.