Introduction

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About AdaCore

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The Company

- Founded in 1994
- Centered around helping developers build safe, secure and reliable software
- Headquartered in New York and Paris
 - Representatives in countries around the globe
- Roots in Open Source software movement
 - GNAT compiler is part of GNU Compiler Collection (GCC)

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About This Training

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Your Trainer

- Experience in software development
 - Languages
 - Methodology
- Experience teaching this class

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Goals of the training session

- What you should know by the end of the training
- Syllabus overview
 - The syllabus is a guide, but we might stray off of it
 - ...and that's OK: we're here to cover your needs

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Roundtable

- 5 minute exercise
 - Write down your answers to the following
 - Then share it with the room
- Experience in software development
 - Languages
 - Methodology
- Experience and interest with the syllabus
 - Current and upcoming projects
 - Curious for something?
- Your personal goals for this training
 - What do you want to have coming out of this?
- Anecdotes, stories... feel free to share!
 - Most interesting or funny bug you¹ve encountered?
 - Your own programming interests?

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Course Presentation

- Slides
- Quizzes
- Labs
 - Hands-on practice
 - Recommended setup: latest GNAT Studio
 - Class reflection after some labs
- Demos
 - Depending on the context
- Daily schedule

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Styles

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

⚠ Warning

This is a warning

Note

This is an important piece of info



This is a tip

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Overview

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A Little History

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The Name

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

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Ada Evolution Highlights

Ada 83 Abstract Data Types

Modules

Concurrency

Generics

Exceptions

Ada 95 00P

Child Packages

Annexes

Ada 2005 Multiple Inheritance

Containers

Ravenscar

Note

Ada was created to be a **compiled**, **multi-paradigm** language with a **static** and **strong** type model

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Ada 2012 Contracts

Iterators

Ada 2022 'Image for all types

Flexible Expressions

Declare expression

Big Picture

Big Picture

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Language Structure (Ada95 and Onward)

- **Required** *Core* implementation
 - Always present in each compiler/run-time
 - Basic language contents (types, subprograms, packages, etc.)
 - Interface to Other Languages
- Optional *Specialized Needs Annexes*
 - No additional syntax
 - May be present or not depending on compiler/run-time
 - Real-Time Systems
 - Distributed Systems
 - Numerics
 - High-Integrity Systems

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Core Language Content (1/3)

- Types
 - Language-defined types, including string
 - User-defined types
 - Static types keep things consistent
 - Strong types enforce constraints
- Subprograms
 - Syntax differs between values and actions
 - function for value and procedure for action
 - Overloading of names allowed
- Dynamic memory management
 - access type for abstraction of pointers
 - Access to static memory, allocated objects, subprograms
 - Accesses are checked (unless otherwise requested)
- Packages
 - Grouping of related entities
 - Separation of concerns
 - Information hiding

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Core Language Content (2/3)

- Exceptions
 - Dealing with **errors**, **unexpected** events
 - Separate error-handling code from logic
- Generic Units
 - Code templates
 - Extensive parameterization for customization
- Object-Oriented Programming
 - Inheritance
 - Run-time polymorphism
 - Dynamic dispatching
- Contract-Based Programming
 - Pre- and post-conditions on subprograms
 - Formalizes specifications
 - Type invariants and predicates
 - Complex contracts on type definitions

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Core Language Content (3/3)

- Language-Based Concurrency
 - Explicit interactions
 - Run-time handling
 - Portable
- Low Level Programming
 - Define representation of types
 - Storage pools definition
 - Foreign language integration

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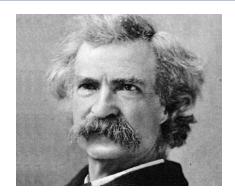
Language Examination Summary

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

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So Why Isn't Ada Used Everywhere?

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



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Setup

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Canonical First Program

```
1 with Ada. Text IO;
2 -- Everyone's first program
3 procedure Say_Hello is
4 begin
    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)
```

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"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)

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"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 \rightarrow say_hello.adb
 - Shortcut is the ▶ in the icons bar
- Result should appear in the bottom pane labeled Run: say_hello.exe

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Note on GNAT File Naming Conventions

- GNAT compiler assumes one compilable entity per file
 - Package specification, subprogram body, etc
 - So the body for say_hello should be the only thing in the file
- Filenames should match the name of the compilable entity
 - Replacing "." with "-"
 - File extension is ".ads" for specifications and ".adb" for bodies
 - So the body for say_hello will be in say_hello.adb
 - If there was a specification for the subprogram, it would be in say_hello.ads
- This is the **default** behavior. There are ways around both of these rules
 - For further information, see Section 3.3 File Naming Topics and Utilities in the GNAT User's Guide

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Declarations

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Ada Type Model

- Each *object* is associated a *type*
- 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

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Declarations

- *Declaration* associates a *name* to an *entity*
 - Objects
 - Types
 - Subprograms
 - et cetera
- In a *declarative part*
- Example: N : Type := Value;
 - N is usually an *identifier*

⚠ Warning

Declaration must precede use

- Some implicit declarations
 - Standard types and operations
 - Implementation-defined

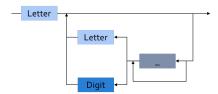
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Identifiers and Comments

Identifiers and Comments

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Identifiers



■ Legal identifiers
Phase2

Α

Space_Person

Not legal identifiers

Phase2__1

 A_{-}

_space_person

- Character set Unicode 4.0
- Case not significant
 - lacktriangle SpacePerson \iff SPACEPERSON
 - ...but different from Space_Person

⚠ Warning

Reserved words are forbidden

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Reserved Words

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

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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
```

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Declaring Constants / Variables (simplified)

■ An *expression* is a piece of Ada code that returns a **value**.

```
<identifier> : constant := <expression>;
<identifier> : <type> := <expression>;
<identifier> : constant <type> := <expression>;
```

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Quiz

```
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?
```

```
A Function : constant := 1;
```

- B. Fun_ction : constant := 1;
- E. Fun_ction : constant := --initial value-- 1;
- D. Integer Fun_ction;

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Quiz

```
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?
```

```
A. Function : constant := 1;
B. Fun ction : constant := 1;
```

- C. Fun ction : constant := --initial value-- 1;
- D. Integer Fun_ction;

Explanations

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

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Literals

Literals

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String Literals

A *literal* is a *textual* representation of a value in the code

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Decimal Numeric Literals

Syntax

```
decimal_literal ::=
  numeral [.numeral] E [+numeral|-numeral]
numeral ::= digit {['_'] digit}
```

💡 Tip

Underscore is **not** significant and used for grouping

- E (exponent) must always be integer
- Examples

```
12 0 1E6 123_456
12.0 0.0 3.14159 26 2.3E-4
```

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

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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

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Quiz

Which statement(s) is (are) 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;
```

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Quiz

Which statement(s) is (are) 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;
```

Explanations

- M. 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
- Missing closing #

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Object Declarations

Object Declarations

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Object Declarations

- An object is either *variable* or *constant*
- Basic Syntax

```
<name> : <subtype> [:= <initial value>];
<name> : constant <subtype> := <initial value>;
```

- Constant should have a value
 - Except for privacy (seen later)
- 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);
```

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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);
```

```
Marning
```

May get different value!

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

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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

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Implicit Vs Explicit Declarations

■ Explicit \rightarrow in the source type Counter is range 0 .. 1000;

■ Implicit \rightarrow **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;
```

- Compiler creates appropriate operators based on the underlying type
 - Numeric types get standard math operators
 - Array types get concatenation operator
 - Most types get assignment operator

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Elaboration

- *Elaboration* has several facets:
 - Initial value calculation
 - Evaluation of the expression
 - Done at run-time (unless static)
 - Object creation
 - Memory allocation
 - Initial value assignment (and type checks)
- Runs in linear order
 - Follows the program text
 - Top to bottom

declare

```
First_One : Integer := 10;
Next_One : Integer := First_One;
Another_One : Integer := Next_One;
begin
```

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Quiz

```
Which block(s) is (are) legal?

A. A. B. C : Integer;

B. Integer : Standard.Integer;

C. Null : Integer := 0;

D. A : Integer := 123;
    B : Integer := A * 3;
```

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Quiz

```
Which block(s) is (are) legal?

A A, B, C : Integer;

B Integer : Standard.Integer;

C Null : Integer := 0;

D A : Integer := 123;
    B : Integer := A * 3;
```

Explanations

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

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Declarations

Universal Types

Universal Types

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Universal Types

- Implicitly defined
- Entire *classes* of numeric types
 - universal_integer
 - universal real
 - universal_fixed (not seen here)
- Match any integer / real type respectively
 - Implicit conversion, as needed

```
X : Integer64 := 2;
Y : Integer8 := 2;
F : Float := 2.0;
D : Long Float := 2.0;
```

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Numeric Literals Are Universally Typed

- No need to type them
 - e.g OUL as in C
- Compiler handles typing

```
No bugs with precision
```

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

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Literals Must Match "Class" of Context

- universal_integer literals → Integer
- $lue{}$ universal_real literals o fixed or floating point
- Legal

```
X : Integer := 2;
Y : Float := 2.0;
```

■ Not legal

```
X : Integer := 2.0;
Y : Float := 2;
```

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Named Numbers

Named Numbers

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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;
```

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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;
```

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Named Number Benefit

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

```
    ▼ Tip
    They have perfect accuracy
```

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

Object	Named_Number	Typed_Constant
F32 : Float_32;	3.33333E-01	3.33333E-01
F64 : Float_64;	3.33333333333333E-01	3.333333_43267441E-01
F128 : Float_128;	3.3333333333333333E-01	3.333333_43267440796E-01

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Scope and Visibility

Scope and Visibility

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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 directly visible

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Introducing Block Statements

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

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

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Scope and "Lifetime"

■ Object in scope → exists

```
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
```

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Name Hiding

- Caused by homographs
 - Identical name
 - **Different** entity

```
declare
 M : Integer;
begin
 M := 123;
  declare
   M : Float;
  begin
   M := 12.34; -- OK
   M := 0; -- compile error: M is a Float
  end;
  M := 0.0; -- compile error: M is an Integer
  M := 0; \quad -- OK
end;
```

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Overcoming Hiding

- Add a prefix
 - Needs named scope

⚠ Warning

- Homographs are a code smell
 - May need **refactoring**...

```
Outer : declare
    M : Integer;
begin
    M := 123;
    declare
        M : Float;
begin
        M := 12.34;
        Outer.M := Integer (M); -- reference "hidden" Integer M end;
end Outer;
```

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Quiz

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

```
declare
1
      M : Integer := 1;
   begin
      M := M + 1;
       declare
          M : Integer := 2;
       begin
          M := M + 2;
          Print (M);
       end;
       Print (M);
12
   end;
```

- A. 2, 2
- B. 2, 4
- C. 4, 4
- **D.** 4, 2

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Quiz

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11 12 What output does the following code produce? (Assume Print prints the current value of its argument)

```
declare
   M : Integer := 1;
begin
   M := M + 1;
   declare
        M : Integer := 2;
begin
        M := M + 2;
        Print (M);
end;
Print (M);
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

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Aspects

Aspects

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Pragmas

- Originated as a compiler directive for things like
 - Specifying the type of optimization

```
pragma Optimize (Space);
```

Inlining of code

```
pragma Inline (Some_Procedure);
```

- Properties (aspects) of an entity
- Appearance in code
 - Unrecognized pragmas

```
pragma My_Own_Pragma;
```

- No effect
- Cause warning (standard mode)
- Must follow correct syntax

⚠ Warning

Malformed pragmas are illegal

pragma Illegal One; -- compile error

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Aspect Clauses

- 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
 - **Recommended** over pragmas
- Syntax

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

Note

Aspect clauses always part of a declaration

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Aspect Clause Example: Objects

Updated object syntax

Usage

```
-- using aspects

CR1 : Control_Register with

Size => 8,

Address => To_Address (16#DEAD_BEEF#);

-- using representation clauses

CR2 : Control_Register;

for CR2'Size use 8;

for CR2'Address use To_Address (16#DEAD_BEEF#);
```

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Boolean Aspect Clauses

- Boolean aspects only
- Longhand

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

lacktriangle Aspect name only o **True** procedure Foo with Inline; -- *Inline is True*

 $lue{}$ No aspect ightarrow False

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

Original form!

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Summary

Summary

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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)

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Basic Types

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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

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Strongly-Typed Vs Weakly-Typed Languages

- Weakly-typed:
 - Conversions are unchecked
 - Type errors are easy

```
typedef enum {north, south, east, west} direction;
typedef enum {sun, mon, tue, wed, thu, fri, sat} days;
direction heading = north;
heading = 1 + 3 * south/sun; // what?
  Strongly-typed:
```

- - Conversions are checked
 - Type errors are hard

```
type Directions is (North, South, East, West);
type Days is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);
Heading : Directions := North;
Heading := 1 + 3 * South/Sun; -- Compile Error
```

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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

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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

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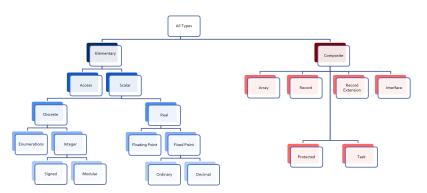
Ada "Named Typing"

- 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
```

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Categories of Types



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Scalar Types

- Indivisible: No *components* (also known as *fields* or *elements*)
- **Relational** operators defined (<, =, ...)
 - Ordered
- Have common attributes
- Discrete Types
 - Integer
 - Enumeration
- Real Types
 - Floating-point
 - Fixed-point

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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

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Attributes

- Properties of entities that can be queried like a function
 - May take input parameters
- Defined by the language and/or compiler
 - Language-defined attributes found in RM K.2
 - May be implementation-defined
 - GNAT-defined attributes found in GNAT Reference Manual
 - Cannot be user-defined
- Attribute behavior is generally pre-defined
 - Type_T'Digits gives number of digits used in Type_T definition
- Some attributes can be modified by coding behavior
 - Typemark'Size gives the size of Typemark
 - Determined by compiler **OR** by using a representation clause
 - Object'Image gives a string representation of Object
 - Default behavior which can be replaced by aspect Put_Image
- Examples

```
J := Object'Size;
K := Array_Object'First(2);
```

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Type Model Run-Time Costs

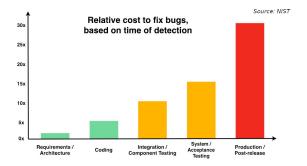
- Checks at compilation and run-time
- Same performance for identical programs
 - Run-time type checks can be disabled

```
Note
Compile-time check is free
```

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The Type Model Saves Money

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



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Discrete Numeric Types

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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 := 0;
...

begin
...

Count := Count + 1;
...
end;
```

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Signed Integer Bounds

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

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Predefined Signed Integer Types

- Integer >= 16 bits wide
- Other probably available
 - Long_Integer, Short_Integer, etc.
 - Guaranteed ranges: Short_Integer <= Integer <=
 Long_Integer</pre>
 - Ranges are all implementation-defined

⚠ Warning

Portability not guaranteed

■ But may be difficult to avoid

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Operators for Signed Integer Type

■ By increasing precedence

```
relational operator = | /= | < | <= | > | >= binary adding operator + | - unary adding operator + | - multiplying operator * | / | mod | rem highest precedence operator ** | abs
```

i Note

Exponentiation ** result will be a signed integer

■ → power **must** be **Integer** >= 0

▲ Warning

Division by zero \rightarrow Constraint Error

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Signed Integer Overflows

- Finite binary representation
- Common source of bugs

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Signed 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)

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Modular Types

- Integer type
- Unsigned values
- Adds operations and attributes

Note

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
```

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Modular Type Semantics

- Standard Integer operators
- Wraps-around in overflow
 - Like other languages¹ unsigned types
 - Attributes 'Pred and 'Succ
- Additional bit-oriented operations are defined
 - and, or, xor, not
 - Bit shifts
 - Values as bit-sequences

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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;
```

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String Attributes for All Scalars

```
■ T'Image (input)
       \blacksquare Converts T \rightarrow String
  ■ T'Value (input)
       \blacksquare Converts String \rightarrow T
Number : Integer := 12345;
Input : String (1 .. N);
. . .
Put_Line (Integer'Image (Number));
. . .
Get (Input);
Number := Integer'Value (Input);
```

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Range Attributes for All Scalars

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■ T'Pred (Input)

Neighbor Attributes for All Scalars

```
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
```

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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);
```

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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
- Unknown depends on the compiler

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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
- ☑ V is assigned to -10
- Unknown depends on the compiler

Explanations

- 2¹⁰²⁴ too big for most runtimes 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

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Enumeration Types

- Enumeration of logical values
 - Integer value is an implementation detail
- Syntax

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

Literals

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- 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;
```

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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 ...</pre>
```

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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;
```

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Language-Defined Type Boolean

Enumeration

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

■ Supports assignment, relational operators, attributes

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

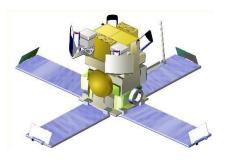
■ Logical operators and, or, xor, not

```
A := B \text{ or } (\text{not } C); -- For A, B, C boolean
```

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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



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Why Boolean Isn't Just an Integer!

- Initially variable with paddles¹ 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
 - lacksquare 0 ightarrow none deployed, 0xF ightarrow all deployed
- Then, use_deployed_inertia_matrix() if only first paddle is deployed!
- Better: boolean function paddles deployed()
 - Single line to modify

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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!
```

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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

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Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Able, Baker, Charlie);
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

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");
```

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Quiz

```
type Enum_T is (Able, Baker, Charlie);
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

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");
Explanations
```

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

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Real Types

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Real Types

- Approximations to continuous values
 - 1.0, 1.1, 1.11, 1.111 ... 2.0, ...
 - lacktriangle Finite hardware o 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

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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
```

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Declaring Floating Point Types

Syntax

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

- lacktriangledown digits ightarrow digits digits
- **Decimal** digits, not bits
- Compiler choses representation
 - From available floating point types
 - May be **more** accurate, but not less
 - $lue{}$ If none available ightarrow declaration is **rejected**
- System.Max_Digits constant specifying maximum digits of precision available for runtime

```
type Very_Precise_T is digits System.Max_Digits;
```

Need to do with System; to get visibility

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Predefined Floating Point Types

- Type Float >= 6 digits
- Additional implementation-defined types
 - Long_Float >= 11 digits
- General-purpose
 - **₽** Tip

It is best, and easy, to avoid predefined types

■ Loss of portability

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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
 - $X**0.5 \rightarrow sqrt(x)$

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Floating Point Type Attributes

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

- My_Float'Digits
 - Number of digits requested (N)
- My_Float'Base'Digits
 - Number of actual digits
- My_Float'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

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Numeric Types Conversion

- Ada's integer and real are *numeric*
 - Holding a numeric value
- Special rule: can always convert between numeric types
 - Explicitly

```
Marning
Float → Integer causes rounding
```

declare

```
N : Integer := 0;
F : Float := 1.5;
begin
N := Integer (F); -- N = 2
F := Float (N); -- F = 2.0
```

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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;

4. 7.6E-01
   Compile Error
   8.0E-01
   0.0
```

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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;
 7.6E-01
 B. Compile Error
 ■ 8.0E-01
 D. 0.0
Explanations
 A. Result of F := F / Float (I);
 Result of F := F / I:
 Result of F := Float (Integer (F)) / Float (I);
 ■ Integer value of F is 8. Integer result of dividing that by 10 is 0.
    Converting to float still gives us 0
```

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Miscellaneous

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Checked Type Conversions

- Between "closely related" types
 - Numeric types
 - Inherited types
 - Array types
- Illegal conversions rejected
 - Unsafe Unchecked_Conversion available
- Called as if it was a function
 - Named using destination type name

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

- Implicitly defined
- Must be explicitly called

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Default Value

- 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;
```

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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;
```

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Subtypes

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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

Note

If no constraint \rightarrow type alias

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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;
```

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Kinds of Constraints

■ Range constraints on scalar 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
- Constraints apply only to values
- Representation and set of operations are kept

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Subtype Constraint Checks

- Constraints are checked
 - At initial value assignment
 - At assignment
 - At subprogram call
 - Upon return from subprograms
- Invalid constraints
 - Will cause Constraint Error to be raised
 - May be detected at compile time
 - If values are static
 - \blacksquare Initial value \rightarrow error
 - \blacksquare ... else \rightarrow warning

```
Max : Integer range 1 .. 100 := 0; -- compile error
...
Max := 0; -- run-time error
```

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Performance Impact of Constraints Checking

- Constraint checks have run-time performance impact
- The following code

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

■ Generates assignment checks similar to

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

■ These checks can be disabled with -gnatp

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Optimizations of Constraint Checks

- Checks happen only if necessary
- Compiler assumes variables to be initialized
- So this code generates **no check**

```
procedure Demo is
   P, K : Integer range 0 .. 100;
begin
   P := K;
   -- But K is not initialized!
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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

- 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
- Digits 6 is used for a type definition, not a subtype

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Lab

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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

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Using the "Prompts" Directory

- Course material should have a link to a **Prompts** folder
- Folder contains everything you need to get started on the lab
 - GNAT STUDIO project file default.gpr
 - Annotated / simplified source files
 - Source files are templates for lab solutions
 - Files compile as is, but don't implement the requirements
 - Comments in source files give hints for the solution
- To load prompt, either
 - From within GNAT STUDIO, select File \rightarrow Open Project and navigate to and open the appropriate default.gpr OR
 - From a command prompt, enter

gnatstudio -P <full path to GPR file>

- If you are in the appropriate directory, and there is only one GPR file, entering gnatstudio will start the tool and open that project
- These prompt folders should be available for most labs

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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
```

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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

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Basic Types Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;
   procedure Main is
3
      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;
7
      type Cymk T is (Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black);
10
      Number Of Tests : Number Of Tests T;
11
      Test_Score_Total : Test_Score_Total_T;
12
13
      Angle : Degrees T;
14
15
      Color : Cymk_T;
16
```

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Basic Types Lab Solution - Implementation

```
begin
19
      -- assignment
20
      Number Of Tests := 15;
21
      Test Score Total := 1 234.5;
22
      Angle := 180;
      Color
                     := Magenta;
24
25
      Put Line (Number_Of_Tests'Image);
26
      Put Line (Test Score Total'Image);
27
      Put Line (Angle'Image):
28
      Put Line (Color'Image):
20
      -- operations / attributes
31
      Test Score Total := Test Score Total / Test Score Total T (Number Of Tests);
32
      Angle := Angle + 359;
33
                      := Cvmk T'Pred (Cvmk T'Last);
      Color
34
35
      Put Line (Test Score Total'Image);
      Put_Line (Angle'Image);
37
      Put Line (Color'Image);
   end Main:
```

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Summary

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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
```

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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) suprise
- Portability enhanced
 - Reduced hardware dependencies

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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
 - lacktriangle More types o more precision o less bugs
 - Storing both feet and meters in Float has caused bugs
 - $\blacksquare \ \mathsf{More} \ \mathsf{types} \to \mathsf{more} \ \mathsf{complexity} \to \mathsf{more} \ \mathsf{bugs}$
 - A Green_Round_Object_Altitude type is probably never needed
- Default initialization is **possible**
 - Use sparingly

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Statements

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Introduction

Introduction

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Statement Kinds

- Simple
 - null
 - A := B (assignments)
 - exit
 - goto
 - delay
 - raise
 - P (A, B) (procedure calls)
 - return
 - Tasking-related: requeue, entry call T.E (A, B), abort
- Compound
 - if
 - case
 - loop (and variants)
 - declare
 - Tasking-related: accept, select

Tasking-related are seen in the tasking chapter

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Procedure Calls (Overview)

Procedures must be defined before they are called

- Procedure calls are statements
 - Traditional call notation

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

■ "Distinguished Receiver" notation

```
Idle.Activate (True):
```

■ More details in "Subprograms" section

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Block Statements

Block Statements

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Block Statements

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

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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;
```

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Null Statements

Null Statements

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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;
```

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Assignment Statements

Assignment Statements

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Assignment Statements

Syntax

declare

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

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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)

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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
```

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Aliasing the Assignment Target

Ada 2022

C allows you to simplify assignments when the target is used in the expression. This avoids duplicating (possibly long) names.

```
total = total + value;
// becomes
total += value;
```

Ada 2022 implements this by using the target name symbol @

```
Total := Total + Value;
-- becomes
Total := @ + Value;
```

- Benefit
 - Symbol can be used multiple times in expression

```
Value := (if @ > 0 then @ else -(@));
```

- Limitation
 - Symbol is read-only (so it can't change during evaluation)

```
function Update (X : in out Integer) return Integer;
function Increment (X: Integer) return Integer;

13  Value := Update (0);

14  Value := Increment (0);

  example.adb:13:21: error: actual for "X" must be a

  variable
```

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```
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(s) is (are) legal?
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);
```

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```
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(s) is (are) legal?
```

- $A. \quad X := A;$
- Y := A; B. X := B:
- 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 No such "+" operator: must convert operand individually
- D. Legal Correct conversion and types

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Conditional Statements

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If-then-else Statements

- Control flow using Boolean expressions
- Syntax

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

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If-then-elsif Statements

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

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Case Statements

- Exclusionary choice among alternatives
- Syntax

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Simple "case" Statements

```
type Directions is (Forward, Backward, Left, Right);
Direction : Directions;
. . .
case Direction is
  when Forward =>
    Set_Mode (Forward);
    Move (1);
  when Backward =>
    Set Mode (Backup);
    Move (-1);
  when Left =>
    Turn (1);
  when Right =>
    Turn (-1);
end case;
```

Note: No fall-through between cases

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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

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Others Choice

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

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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;
```

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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;
```

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```
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;
```

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```
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;
```

Explanations

- A uses the C-style equality/inequality operators
- D is legal because else is not required for an if block

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```
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;
```

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```
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");
 multiple when Tue .. Thu =>
      Put_Line ("Long Day");
 D. end case;
```

Explanations

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

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Loop Statements

Loop Statements

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Basic Loops and Syntax

- All kind of loops can be expressed
 - Optional iteration controls
 - Optional exit statements
- Syntax

■ Example

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

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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;</pre>
```

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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
 - Focused on objects
 - Seen later with Arrays

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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;
```

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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
```

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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

```
1 procedure Main is
2 type Color_T is (Red, White, Blue);
3 type Rgb_T is (Red, Green, Blue);
4 begin
5 for Color in Red .. Blue loop -- which Red and Blue?
6 null;
7 end loop;
8 for Color in Rgb_T'(Red) .. Blue loop -- OK
9 null;
10 end loop;

main.adb:5:21: error: ambiguous bounds in range of iteration main.adb:5:21: error: type "Rgb_T" defined at line 3
main.adb:5:21: error: type "Color_T" defined at line 2
main.adb:5:21: error: type "Color_T" defined at line 2
main.adb:5:21: error: amge "Color_T" defined at line 2
```

If bounds are universal_integer, then type is Integer unless otherwise specified

```
for Idx in 1 .. 3 loop -- Idx is Integer

for Idx in Short range 1 .. 3 loop -- Idx is Short
```

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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 \dots Mon loop
```

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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

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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;
```

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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 <a href="Integer">Integer</a> range 1 .. Number_Read loop
       -- set declared "Counter" to loop counter
       Foo.Counter := Float (Counter);
       . . .
   end loop;
    . . .
end Foo;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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Quiz

```
A, B : Integer := 123;
Which loop block(s) is (are) legal?

In for A in 1 . . 10 loop
    A := A + 1;
    end loop;
In for B in 1 . . 10 loop
        Put_Line (Integer'Image (B));
    end loop;
In for C in reverse 1 . . 10 loop
        Put_Line (Integer'Image (C));
    end loop;
In for D in 10 . . 1 loop
        Put_Line (Integer'Image (D));
    end loop;
In for D in 10 . . 1 loop
        Put_Line (Integer'Image (D));
    end loop;
```

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Quiz

```
A, B : Integer := 123;
Which loop block(s) is (are) legal?
 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;
 for C in reverse 1 .. 10 loop
      Put_Line (Integer'Image (C));
    end loop;
 D for D in 10 .. 1 loop
      Put_Line (Integer'Image (D));
    end loop;
Explanations
 Cannot assign to a loop parameter
 B. Legal - 10 iterations
 Legal - 10 iterations
 ■ Legal - 0 iterations
```

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GOTO Statements

GOTO Statements

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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

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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

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Lab

Lab

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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

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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

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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:
10 begin
      Day Loop :
      for Day in Days_Of_Week_T loop
         Put Line (Day'Image);
         Input Loop :
         100p
            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 vou"):
            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:
                                  => Total Worked := Total Worked + Hours Today * 2.0:
            when Sunday
         end case;
32
      end loop Day Loop;
      Put Line (Total Worked'Image):
36 end Main;
```

Summary

Summary

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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

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Expressions

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Introduction

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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

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Membership Tests

Membership Tests

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"Membership" Operation

Syntax

- 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)"
```

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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
```

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Testing Non-Contiguous Membership

■ We use in to indicate membership in a range of values

```
if Color in Red .. Green then if Index in List'Range then
```

- But what if the values are not contiguous?
 - We could use a Boolean conjunction

```
if Index = 1 or Index = 3 or Index = 5 then
```

Or we could simplify it by specifying a collection (or set)

```
if Index in 1 | 3 | 5 then
```

- | is used to separate members
- So 1 | 3 | 5 is the set for which we are verifying membership

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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(s) is (are) legal?

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
```

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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(s) is (are) legal?

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

- Wed and Fri are not Boolean expressions need to compare each of them to Today
- 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

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Qualified Names

Qualified Names

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Qualification

- Explicitly indicates the subtype of the value
- Syntax

- Similar to conversion syntax
 - Mnemonic "qualification uses quote"
- Various uses shown in course
 - Testing constraints
 - Removing ambiguity of overloading
 - Enhancing readability via explicitness

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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 -- run-time 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
```

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Conditional Expressions

Conditional Expressions

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Conditional Expressions

- 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

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If Expressions

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)
```

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Result Must Be Compatible with Context

■ The **dependent_expression** parts, specifically

```
X : Integer :=
   (if Day_Of_Week (Clock) > Wednesday then 1 else 0);
```

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"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)");
```

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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

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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

```
Acceptable : Boolean := (if P1 > 0 then P2 > 0 else True);
Acceptable : Boolean := (if P1 > 0 then P2 > 0);
```

■ Use else if you need to return False at the end

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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);
```

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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)

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"If Expression" Example for Constants

■ Starting from

```
End of Month: array (Months) of Days
    := (Sep | Apr | Jun | Nov => 30,
       Feb \Rightarrow 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 \Rightarrow 31);
  begin
    if Today.Day /= End of Month (Today.Month) then
```

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Case Expressions

- 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)

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"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;
```

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Quiz

```
function Sqrt (X : Float) return Float;
F : Float;
B : Boolean;
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

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);</pre>
```

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Quiz

```
function Sqrt (X : Float) return Float;
F : Float;
B : Boolean;
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

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);</pre>
Explanations
```

Explanations

- Missing parentheses around expression
- 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

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Lab

Lab

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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

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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 Roolean 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
   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;
```

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```
function Number (Prompt : String)
52
                        return Positive is
53
      begin
54
         Put (Prompt & "> "):
         return Positive'Value (Get Line);
56
      end Number;
57
58
   begin
60
      for I in List'Range loop
61
         Item.Year := Number ("Year"):
         Item.Month := Number ("Month");
         Item.Day := Number ("Day");
         List (I) := Item:
      end loop;
67
      Put Line ("Any invalid: " & Boolean'Image (Any Invalid));
68
      Put Line ("Same Year: " & Boolean'Image (Same Year));
69
70
   end Main:
```

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Summary

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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

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Array Types

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Introduction

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What Is an Array?

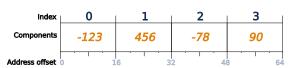
- Definition: collection of components of the same type, stored in contiguous memory, and indexed using a discrete range
- Syntax (simplified):

```
type <typename> is array (Index_Type) of Component_Type;
```

where

- Index_Type
 - Discrete range of values to be used to access the array components
- Component_Type
 - Type of values stored in the array
 - All components are of this same type and size

type Array_T is array (0 .. 3) of Interfaces.Integer_32;



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Arrays in Ada

■ 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;
```

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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
- Used to define constrained array types

```
type Schedule is array (Days range Mon .. Fri) of Float; type Flags_T is array (-10 .. 10) of Boolean;
```

Or to constrain unconstrained array types

```
subtype Line is String (1 .. 80);
subtype Translation is Matrix (1..3, 1..3);
```

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Run-Time Index Checking

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

```
procedure Test is
  type Int Arr is array (1..10) of Integer;
  A : Int_Arr;
  K : Integer;
begin
  A := (others => 0);
  K := F00;
  A (K) := 42; -- run-time error if Foo returns < 1 or > 10
  Put_Line (A(K)'Image);
end Test:
```

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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);
```

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Constrained Array Types

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Constrained Array Type Declarations

```
Syntax (simplified)

type <typename> is array (<index constraint>) of <constrained type>;

where
    typename - identifier
    index constraint - discrete range or type
    constrained type - type with size known at compile time
```

Examples

```
type Integer_Array_T is array (1 .. 3) of Integer;
type Boolean_Array_T is array (Boolean) of Integer;
type Character_Array_T is array (character range 'a' .. 'z') of Boolean;
type Copycat_T is array (Boolean_Array_T'Range) of Integer;
```

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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(s) is (are) legal?
A X1 (1) := Y1 (1);
B X1 := Y1;
C X1 (1) := X2 (1);
D X2 := X1;
```

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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(s) is (are) legal?
 A. X1 (1) := Y1 (1):
 B. X1 := Y1;
 \bigcirc X1 (1) := X2 (1):
```

Explanations

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

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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 Char_Arr is array (Index range <>) of Character;
```

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Supplying Index Constraints for Objects

```
type Days is (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
type Schedule is array (Days range <>) of Float;
```

- Bounds set by:
 - Object declaration

```
Weekdays : Schedule(Mon..Fri);
```

Object (or constant) initialization

```
Weekend: Schedule:= (Sat => 4.0, Sun => 0.0);
-- (Note this is an array aggregate, explained later)
```

- Further type definitions (shown later)
- Actual parameter to subprogram (shown later)
- Once set, bounds never change

```
Weekdays(Sat) := 0.0; -- Constraint error
Weekend(Mon) := 0.0; -- Constraint error
```

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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 Char_Arr is array (Index range <>) of Character;
...
Wrong : Char_Arr (0 .. 10); -- run-time error
OK : Char_Arr (50 .. 75);
```

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Null Index Range

- When 'Last of the range is smaller than 'First
 - Array is empty no elements
- When using literals, the compiler will allow out-of-range numbers to indicate empty range
 - Provided values are within the index's base type

```
type Index_T is range 1 .. 100;
-- Index_T'Size = 8

type Array_T is array (Index_T range <>) of Integer;

Typical_Empty_Array : Array_T (1 .. 0);
Weird_Empty_Array : Array_T (123 .. -5);
Illegal_Empty_Array : Array_T (999 .. 0);
```

■ When the index type is a single-valued enumerated type, no empty array is possible

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"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
 - Ada 2005 and later
- Can be defined by applications too

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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";
```

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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
```

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Indefinite Types

- Indefinite types do not provide enough information to be instantiated
 - Size
 - Representation
- Unconstrained arrays types are indefinite
 - They do not have a definite 'Size
- Other indefinite types exist (seen later)

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No Indefinite Component Types

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

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

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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;
```

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```
type Bit_T is range 0 .. 1;
type Bit_Array_T is array (Positive range <>) of Bit_T;
Which declaration(s) is (are)
legal?

A AAA : Array_T (0..99);
B BBB : Array_T (1..32);
CCC : Array_T (17..16);
DDD : Array_T;
```

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```
type Bit_T is range 0 .. 1;
type Bit Array T is array (Positive range <>) of Bit T;
Which declaration(s) is (are)
legal?
 A. AAA : Array_T (0..99);
 B. BBB : Array_T (1..32);
 C. CCC : Array T (17..16);
 DDD : Array_T;
```

Explanations

- A. Array T index is Positive which starts at 1
- B. OK, indices are in range
- C. OK, indicates a zero-length array
- Object must be constrained

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Attributes

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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

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Attributes¹ Benefits

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

```
declare
   type Int_Arr is array (5 .. 15) of Integer;
   Vector : Int_Arr;
begin
   ...
   for Idx in Vector'Range loop
        Vector (Idx) := Idx * 2;
   end loop;
```

■ Compiler understands Idx has to be a valid index for Vector, so no run-time checks are necessary

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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

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```
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
X'Last (1)*X'Last (2) = X'Length (1)*X'Length (2)
X'Length (1) = X'Length (2)
X'Last (1) = 7
```

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```
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 /= 8*8
 8 = 8
 7 = 7
```

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Operations

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Object-Level Operations

Assignment of array objects

```
A := B;
```

■ Equality and inequality

```
if A = B then
```

- Conversions
 - 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)

```
declare
```

```
type Index1_T is range 1 .. 2;
type Index2_T is range 101 .. 102;
type Array1_T is array (Index1_T) of Integer;
type Array2_T is array (Index2_T) of Integer;
type Array3_T is array (Boolean) of Integer;

One : Array1_T;
Two : Array2_T;
Three : Array3_T;
begin
One := Array1_T (Two); -- OK
Two := Array2_T (Three); -- Illegal (indices not convertible)
```

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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"
```

- Comparison (for discrete component types)
 - Not for all scalars
- Logical (for Boolean component type)
- Slicing
 - Portion of array

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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!
```

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Example: Slicing with Explicit Indexes

- Imagine a requirement to have a ISO date
 - Year, month, and day with a specific format

```
declare
    Iso_Date : String (1 .. 10) := "2024-03-27";
begin
    Put_Line (Iso_Date);
    Put_Line (Iso_Date (1 .. 4)); -- year
    Put_Line (Iso_Date (6 .. 7)); -- month
```

Put_Line (Iso_Date (9 .. 10)); -- day

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Idiom: 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 Iso Index is Positive range 1 .. 10;
  subtype Year is Iso Index
    range Iso_Index'First .. Iso_Index'First + 3;
  subtype Month is Iso_Index
    range Year'Last + 2 .. Year'Last + 3;
  subtype Day is Iso Index
    range Month'Last + 2 .. Month'Last + 3;
  Iso Date : String (Iso Index) := "2024-03-27";
begin
 Put Line (Iso Date (Year)); -- 2024
 Put Line (Iso Date (Month)); -- 03
 Put Line (Iso Date (Day)); -- 27
```

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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));
```

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```
type Index_T is range 1 .. 10;
type OneD_T is array (Index_T) of Boolean;
type TwoD_T is array (Index_T) of OneD_T;
A : TwoD_T;
B : OneD_T;
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

A B(1) := A(1,2) or A(4,3);
B B := A(2) and A(4);
C A(1..2)(4) := A(5..6)(8);
D B(3..4) := B(4..5)
```

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```
type Index_T is range 1 .. 10;
type OneD_T is array (Index_T) of Boolean;
type TwoD_T is array (Index_T) of OneD_T;
A : TwoD_T;
B : OneD_T;
Which statement(s) is (are) legal?

A B(1) := A(1,2) or A(4,3);
B B := A(2) and A(4);
C A(1..2)(4) := A(5..6)(8);
D B(3..4) := B(4..5)
```

Explanations

- All objects are just Boolean values
- B. An element of A is the same type as B
- Slice must be of outermost array
- Slicing allowed on single-dimension arrays

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Looping Over Array Components

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Note on Default Initialization for Array Types

- In Ada, objects are not initialized by default
- To initialize an array, you can initialize each element
 - But if the array type is used in multiple places, it would be better to initialize at the type level
 - 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;
```

■ Note that creating a large object of type Vector might incur a run-time cost during initialization

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Two High-Level For-Loop Kinds

- 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

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Array/Container For-Loops

- 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

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Array Component For-Loop Example

■ Given an array

```
type T is array (Positive range <>) of Integer;
Primes : T := (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;
```

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```
declare
   type Array_T is array (1..5) of Integer
      with Default_Component_Value => 1;
   A : Array T;
begin
   for I in A'First + 1 .. A'Last - 1 loop
      A (I) := I * A'Length;
   end loop;
   for I of reverse A loop
      Put (I'Image);
   end loop;
end:
Which output is correct?
 A. 1 10 15 20 1
 B 1 20 15 10 1
 © 0 10 15 20 0
 D 25 20 15 10 5
```

NB: Without Default_Component_Value, init. values are random

```
declare
   type Array_T is array (1..5) of Integer
      with Default_Component_Value => 1;
   A : Array T;
begin
   for I in A'First + 1 .. A'Last - 1 loop
      A (I) := I * A'Length;
   end loop;
   for I of reverse A loop
      Put (I'Image);
   end loop;
end:
Which output is correct?
                                Explanations
 A 1 10 15 20 1
                                  There is a reverse
 B 1 20 15 10 1
                                  B. Yes
 © 0 10 15 20 0
                                  Default value is 1
 25 20 15 10 5
                                  D. No
NB: Without Default Component Value, init. values are random
```

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Aggregates

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Aggregates

- Literals for composite types
 - Array types
 - Record types
- Two distinct forms
 - Positional
 - Named
- Syntax (simplified):

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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, False, False);
```

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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);
```

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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)

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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
```

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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

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"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

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Nested Aggregates

■ For arrays of composite component types

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Defaults Within Array Aggregates

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

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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 Float_Arr is array (Integer range <>) of Float;
Ages : Float_Arr (1 .. 10) := (1 .. 3 => X, 4 .. 10 => Y);
-- illegal: 3 and 4 appear twice
Overlap : Float_Arr (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 : Float_Arr (1 .. 10) := (M .. N => X, K .. L => Y);
-- This is legal
Values : Float_Arr (1 .. N) := (1 .. N => X);
```

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```
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);
```

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```
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
- Oynamic values must be the only choice. (This could be fixed by making J a constant.)
- D. Overlapping index values (3 appears more than once)

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Aggregates in Ada 2022

Ada 2022

Ada 2022 allows us to use square brackets "[...]" in defining aggregates

```
type Array_T is array (positive range <>) of Integer;
```

So common aggregates can use either square brackets or parentheses

```
Ada2012 : Array_T := (1, 2, 3);
Ada2022 : Array_T := [1, 2, 3];
```

- But square brackets help in more problematic situations
 - Empty array

```
Ada2012 : Array_T := (1..0 => 0);
Illegal : Array_T := ();
Ada2022 : Array_T := [];
```

■ Single element array

```
Ada2012 : Array_T := (1 => 5);
Illegal : Array_T := (5);
Ada2022 : Array_T := [5];
```

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Iterated Component Association

Ada 2022

- With Ada 2022, we can create aggregates with *iterators*
 - Basically, an inline looping mechanism
- Index-based iterator

- Object1 will get initialized to the squares of 1 to 5
- Object2 will give the equivalent of (0, 2, 3, 0, -1)
- Component-based iterator

```
Object2 := [for Item of Object => Item * 2];
```

■ Object2 will have each element doubled

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More Information on Iterators

Ada 2022

■ You can nest iterators for arrays of arrays

```
type Col_T is array (1 .. 3) of Integer;
type Matrix_T is array (1 .. 3) of Col_T;
Matrix : Matrix_T :=
   [for J in 1 .. 3 =>
        [for K in 1 .. 3 => J * 10 + K]];
```

■ You can even use multiple iterators for a single dimension array

```
Ada2012 : Array_T(1..5) :=
[for I in 1 .. 2 => -1,
for J in 4 ..5 => 1,
others => 0];
```

- Restrictions
 - You cannot mix index-based iterators and component-based iterators in the same aggregate
 - You still cannot have overlaps or missing values

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Delta Aggregates

Ada 2022

```
type Coordinate_T is array (1 .. 3) of Float;
Location : constant Coordinate_T := (1.0, 2.0, 3.0);
```

- Sometimes you want to copy an array with minor modifications
 - Prior to Ada 2022, it would require two steps

```
declare
  New_Location : Coordinate_T := Location;
begin
  New_Location(3) := 0.0;
   -- OR
  New_Location := (3 => 0.0, others => <>);
end;
```

- Ada 2022 introduces a *delta aggregate*
 - Aggregate indicates an object plus the values changed the delta

```
New_Location : Coordinate_T := [Location with delta 3 => 0.0];
```

- Notes
 - You can use square brackets or parentheses
 - Only allowed for single dimension arrays

This works for records as well (see that chapter)

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Detour - 'Image for Complex Types

 ${\sf Detour} \hbox{ - } {\sf Image} \hbox{ for Complex Types}$

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'Image Attribute

Ada 2022

Previously, we saw the string attribute 'Image is provided for scalar types

```
■ e.g. Integer'Image(10+2) produces the string " 12"
```

 Starting with Ada 2022, the Image attribute can be used for any type

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Main is
   type Colors_T is (Red, Yellow, Green);
   type Array_T is array (Colors_T) of Boolean;
   Object : Array_T :=
        (Green => False,
        Yellow => True,
        Red => True);
begin
   Put_Line (Object'Image);
end Main;
```

Yields an output of

```
[TRUE, TRUE, FALSE]
```

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Overriding the Image Attribute

Ada 2022

- We don't always want to rely on the compiler defining how we print a complex object
- We can define it by using 'Image and attaching a procedure to the Put_Image aspect

```
type Colors_T is (Red, Yellow, Green);
type Array_T is array (Colors_T) of Boolean with
  Put_Image => Array_T_Image;
```

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Defining the 'Image Attribute

Ada 2022

■ Then we need to declare the procedure

procedure Array T Image

```
Value :
                   Array T):
    Which uses the
      Ada. Strings. Text Buffers. Root Buffer Type as an output
      buffer
    ■ (No need to go into detail here other than knowing you do
      Output. Put to add to the buffer)
And then we define it
  procedure Array T Image
    (Output : in out Ada.Strings.Text_Buffers.Root_Buffer_Type'Class;
     Value : Array T) is
  begin
     for Color in Value'Range loop
        Output.Put (Color'Image & "=>" & Value (Color)'Image & ASCII.LF);
     end loop;
  end Array_T_Image;
```

(Output : in out Ada.Strings.Text_Buffers.Root_Buffer_Type'Class;

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Using the 'Image Attribute

Ada 2022

■ Now, when we call Image we get our "pretty-print" version

Generating the following output



Note this redefinition can be used on any type, even the scalars that have always had the attribute

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Anonymous Array Types

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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;
```

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Lab

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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
 - 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

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Arrays of Arrays

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

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Array Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;
   procedure Main is
3
      type Days Of Week T is
          (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun);
5
      type Unconstrained_Array_T is
6
         array (Days_Of_Week_T range <>) of Natural;
8
      Const_Arr : constant Unconstrained_Array_T := (1, 2, 3, 4
9
      Array_Var : Unconstrained_Array_T (Days_Of_Week_T);
10
11
      type Name_T is array (1 .. 6) of Character;
12
      type Names T is array (1 .. 3) of Name T;
13
      Weekly Staff: array (Days Of Week T) of Names T;
14
```

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Array Lab Solution - Implementation

```
15 begin
      Array Var := Const Arr;
      for Item of Array Var loop
         Put Line (Item'Image);
      end loop;
      New Line;
22
      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);
31
      for Item of Array Var loop
         Put Line (Item'Image);
      end loop;
      New Line;
      Weekly Staff := (Mon | Tue | Thu | Fri => ("Fred ", "Barney", "Wilma "),
37
                            => ("closed", "closed", "closed"),
                       others => ("Pinkv ", "Inkv ", "Blinkv"));
41
      for Day in Weekly Staff'Range loop
         Put_Line (Day'Image);
         for Staff of Weekly Staff(Day) loop
            Put Line (" " & String (Staff));
         end loop;
      end loop;
47 end Main;
```

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Summary

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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)

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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

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Record Types

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Introduction

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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
     Component1 : Integer;
     Component2 : Boolean;
  end record;
Records can be discriminated as well
  type T (Size : Natural := 0) is record
     Text : String (1 .. Size);
  end record;
```

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Components Rules

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Characteristics of Components

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

```
type Record_1 is record
    This_Is_Not_Legal : array (1 .. 3) of Integer;
end record;
```

■ No constant components

```
type Record_2 is record
   This_Is_Not_Legal : constant Integer := 123;
end record;
```

■ No recursive definitions

```
type Record_3 is record
   This_Is_Not_Legal : Record_3;
end record;
```

■ No indefinite types

```
type Record_5 is record
  This_Is_Not_Legal : String;
  But_This_Is_Legal : String (1 .. 10);
end record;
```

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Multiple Declarations

■ Multiple declarations are allowed (like objects)

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

Equivalent to

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

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"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;
```

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

Which record definition(s) is (are) legal?

A Component_1 : array (1 .. 3) of Boolean
    Component_2, Component_3 : Integer
    Component_1 : Record_T
    Component_1 : constant Integer := 123
```

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```
type Record T is record
   -- Definition here
end record:
Which record definition(s) is (are) 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
 No recursive definition
```

No constant component

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```
type Cell is record
   Val : Integer;
   Message : String;
end record;
ls the definition legal?
A Yes
B No
```

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B. **No**

Quiz

```
type Cell is record
   Val : Integer;
   Message : String;
end record;
ls the definition legal?
A. Yes
```

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

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Operations

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Available Operations

- Predefined
 - Equality (and thus inequality)

if
$$A = B$$
 then

Assignment

$$A := B;$$

- User-defined
 - Subprograms

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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;
```

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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 then cannot be assigned
 - May still be modified component-wise

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

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

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

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Aggregates

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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)
```

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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;
```

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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 completecompiler error

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

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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
```

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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 \Rightarrow (16, December, 2001));
```

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Aggregates with Only One Component

- Must use named form
- Same reason as array aggregates

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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 : Float;
   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);
```

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What is the result of building and running this code? procedure Main is type Record_T is record A, B, C : Integer; end record; V : Record_T := (A => 1); begin Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A)); end Main; **A**. 0 Compilation error Run-time error

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```
What is the result of building and running this code?
procedure Main is
   type Record_T is record
      A, B, C : Integer;
   end record;
   V : Record T := (A \Rightarrow 1);
begin
   Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main;
 A. 0
 B. 1
 Compilation error
 Run-time error
```

The aggregate is incomplete. The aggregate must specify all components. You could use box notation (A \Rightarrow 1, others \Rightarrow <>)

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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;
      D : My_Integer;
   end record;
   V : Record_T := (others => 1);
begin
   Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main:
 A. 0
 R 1
 Compilation error
 Run-time error
```

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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;
      D : My_Integer;
   end record:
   V : Record_T := (others => 1);
begin
   Put_Line (Integer'Image (V.A));
end Main:
 A. 0
 B. 1
 Compilation error
 Run-time error
```

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

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```
type Nested_T is record
   Component : Integer;
end record;
type Record_T is record
   One : Integer;
   Two : Character;
   Three : Integer;
   Four : Nested_T;
end record:
X, Y : Record_T;
Z : constant Nested T := (others => -1);
Which assignment(s) is (are) legal?
 X := (1, '2', Three => 3, Four => (6))
 \mathbb{B} X := (Two => '2', Four => Z, others => 5)
 \mathbf{C} \ \mathbf{X} := \mathbf{Y}
 D X := (1, '2', 4, (others => 5))
```

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```
type Nested_T is record
   Component : Integer;
end record:
type Record_T is record
   One : Integer;
   Two : Character;
   Three : Integer;
   Four : Nested_T;
end record:
X, Y : Record_T;
    : constant Nested T := (others => -1);
Which assignment(s) is (are) legal?
 X := (1, '2', Three => 3, Four => (6))
 \mathbb{B} X := (Two \Rightarrow '2', Four \Rightarrow Z, others \Rightarrow 5)
 \mathbf{C} X := Y
 X := (1, '2', 4, (others => 5))
 A Four must use named association
 B others valid: One and Three are Integer
 Valid but Two is not initialized
 Positional for all components
```

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■ A Record can use a *delta aggregate* just like an array

```
type Coordinate_T is record
    X, Y, Z : Float;
end record;
Location : constant Coordinate_T := (1.0, 2.0, 3.0);

Prior to Ada 2022, you would copy and then modify
declare
    New_Location : Coordinate_T := Location;
begin
    New_Location.Z := 0.0;
    -- OR
    New_Location := (Z => 0.0, others => <>);
end:
```

■ Now in Ada 2022 we can just specify the change during the copy

```
New_Location : Coordinate_T := (Location with delta Z \Rightarrow 0.0);
```

Note for record delta aggregates you must use named notation

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Default Values

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Component Default Values

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

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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);
```

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Defaults Within Record Aggregates

- 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 => <>);
```

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Default Initialization Via Aspect Clause

- 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
```

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```
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)
```

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```
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
 Correct
 D C => 100 has no effect on A and B
```

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Variant Records

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Variant Record Types

- Variant record can use a discriminant to specify alternative lists of components
 - Also called *discriminated record* type
 - Different objects may have different components
 - All objects 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

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Immutable Variant Record

■ Discriminant must be set at creation time and cannot be modified

```
type Person_Group is (Student, Faculty);
type Person_Group : Person_Group is
record
-- Components common across all discriminants
-- (must appear before variant part)
Age : Positive;
case Group is -- Variant part of record
when Student => -- 1st variant
Gpa : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
when Faculty => -- 2nd variant
Pubs : Positive;
end case;
end record;
```

- In a variant record, a discriminant can be used to specify the variant part (line 8)
 - Similar to case statements (all values must be covered)
 - Components listed will only be visible if choice matches discriminant
 - Component names need to be unique (even across discriminants)
 - Variant part must be end of record (hence only one variant part allowed)
- Discriminant is treated as any other component
 - But is a constant in an immutable variant record

Note that discriminants can be used for other purposes than the variant part

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Immutable Variant Record Example

■ Each object of Person has three components, but it depends on Group

```
Pat : Person (Student);
Sam : Person := (Faculty, 33, 5);

# Pat has Group, Age, and Gpa
```

Sam has Group, Age, and Pubs

end Do Something;

- Aggregate specifies all components, including the discriminant
- Compiler can detect some problems, but more often clashes are run-time errors

```
procedure Do_Something (Param : in out Person) is
begin
  Param.Age := Param.Age + 1;
  Param.Pubs := Param.Pubs + 1;
```

- Pat.Pubs := 3; would generate a compiler warning because compiler knows Pat is a Student
 - warning: Constraint Error will be raised at run time
 - Do_Something (Pat); generates a run-time error, because only at runtime is the discriminant for Param known
 - raised CONSTRAINT_ERROR : discriminant check failed
- Pat := Sam; would be a compiler warning because the constraints do not match

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Mutable Variant Record

■ Type will become *mutable* if its discriminant has a *default value* and we instantiate the object without specifying a discriminant

```
type Person_Group is (Student, Faculty);
   type Person (Group : Person_Group := Student) is -- default value
   record
      Age : Positive;
      case Group is
          when Student =>
             Gpa : Float range 0.0 .. 4.0;
          when Faculty =>
             Pubs : Positive:
      end case:
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   end record;
     ■ Pat : Person: is mutable
     Sam : Person (Faculty); is not mutable

    Declaring an object with an explicit discriminant value (Faculty)

            makes it immutable
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```

Mutable Variant Record Example

 Each object of Person has three components, but it depends on Group

```
Pat : Person := (Student, 19, 3.9);
Sam : Person (Faculty);
```

You can only change the discriminant of Pat, but only via a whole record assignment, e.g.

```
if Pat.Group = Student then
  Pat := (Faculty, Pat.Age, 1);
else
  Pat := Sam;
end if;
Update (Pat);
```

- But you cannot change the discriminant of Sam
 - Sam := Pat; will give you a run-time error if Pat.Group is not Facultv
 - And the compiler will not warn about this!

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```
type Variant_T (Sign : Integer) is record
    case Sign is
    when Integer'First .. -1 =>
        I : Integer;
        B : Boolean;
    when others =>
        N : Natural;
    end case;
end record;
Variant Object : Variant T (1);
Which component(s) does Variant Object contain?
 A. Variant_Object.I, Variant_Object.B
 B. Variant_Object.N
 C. None: Compilation error
 D. None: Run-time error
```

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```
type Variant_T (Sign : Integer) is record
    case Sign is
    when Integer'First .. -1 =>
        I : Integer;
        B : Boolean;
    when others =>
        N : Natural;
    end case;
end record;
Variant Object : Variant T (1);
Which component(s) does Variant Object contain?
 A. Variant_Object.I, Variant_Object.B
 B. Variant_Object.N
 C. None: Compilation error
 D. None: Run-time error
```

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```
type Variant_T (Floating : Boolean := False) is record
    case Floating is
        when False =>
            I : Integer;
        when True =>
            F : Float;
    end case:
    Flag : Character;
end record:
Variant Object : Variant T (True);
Which component does Variant Object contain?
 A Variant_Object.F, Variant_Object.Flag
 B. Variant Object.F
 None: Compilation error
 D. None: Run-time error
```

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Quiz

```
type Variant_T (Floating : Boolean := False) is record
    case Floating is
        when False =>
            I : Integer;
        when True =>
            F : Float:
    end case:
    Flag : Character;
end record:
Variant Object : Variant T (True);
Which component does Variant Object contain?
 A Variant_Object.F, Variant_Object.Flag
 B. Variant Object.F
 Mone: Compilation error
 None: Run-time error
```

The variant part cannot be followed by a component declaration

(Flag : Character here)

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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

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Lab

Record Types Lab Solution - Declarations

```
with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;
   procedure Main is
3
      type Name T is array (1 .. 6) of Character;
      type Index_T is range 0 .. 1_000;
5
      type Queue T is array (Index T range 1 .. 1 000) of Name T;
6
      type Fifo_Queue_T is record
         Next_Available : Index_T := 1;
         Last Served : Index T := 0;
10
         Queue : Queue_T := (others => (others => ' '));
11
      end record;
12
13
      Queue : Fifo_Queue_T;
14
      Choice : Integer;
15
```

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Record Types Lab Solution - Implementation

```
begin
18
      1000
19
         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:
25
         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)));
31
            end if;
         else
            exit:
         end if:
         New Line;
      end loop;
37
      Put Line ("Remaining in line: ");
39
      for Index in Queue.Last Served + 1 .. Queue.Next Available - 1 loop
         Put Line (" " & String (Queue.Queue (Index)));
      end loop;
42
43
   end Main;
```

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Summary

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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

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Subprograms

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Introduction

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Introduction

- Are syntactically distinguished as function and procedure
 - Functions represent *values*
 - Procedures represent actions

 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;
```

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Recognizing Procedures and Functions

- Functions¹ 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        Increment;
16    end if;
17    end loop;
```

 Note that a subprogram without parameters (Increment on line 15) does not allow an empty set of parentheses

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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: Float) return Float;
function Is_Open (V: Valve) return Boolean;
```

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Syntax

Syntax

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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

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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
```

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Function Specification Syntax (Simplified)

```
function F (X : Float) return Float:
  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
```

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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 : Float) return Float is
   Y : constant Float := X + 3.0;
begin
  return X * Y;
end F;
```

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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)
```

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Completion Examples

end Min;

 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; end Less_Than; function Min (X, Y : Person) return Person is begin if Less Than (X, Y) then return X: else return Y: end if:

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Direct Recursion - No Declaration Needed

- When is is reached, the subprogram becomes visible
 - It can call itself without a declaration

```
type Vector_T is array (Natural range <>) of Integer;
Empty_Vector : constant Vector_T (1 .. 0) := (others => 0);
function Get_Vector return Vector_T is
  Next : Integer;
begin
  Get (Next):
  if Next = 0 then
    return Empty Vector;
  else
    return Get Vector & Next;
  end if;
end Input;
```

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Indirect Recursion Example

Elaboration in linear order

```
procedure P;
procedure F is
begin
  P;
end F;
procedure P is
begin
  F;
end P;
```

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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);

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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.

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Parameters

Parameters

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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);
```

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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);
```

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Parameter Modes and Return

- Mode in
 - Formal parameter is constant
 - So actual is not modified either
 - 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

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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;
```

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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

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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
- Note that the parameter mode aliased will force pass-by-reference
 - This mode is discussed in the **Access Types** module

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Unconstrained Formal Parameters or Return

- Unconstrained formals are allowed
 - Constrained by actual
- Unconstrained return is allowed too
 - Constrained by the returned object

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Unconstrained Parameters Surprise

Assumptions about formal bounds may be wrong

```
type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Float;
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);
```

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Naive Implementation

- **Assumes** bounds are the same everywhere
- Fails when Left'First /= Right'First
- Fails when Left'Length /= Right'Length
- 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;
```

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Correct Implementation

- Covers all bounds
- return indexed by Left'Range

```
function Subtract (Left, Right: Vector) return Vector is
   pragma Assert (Left'Length = Right'Length);
   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;
   return Result;
end Subtract;
```

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Quiz

```
P2 : in out Integer;
           P3 : in Character := ' ':
           P4: out Character)
  return Integer;
J1, J2 : Integer;
C : Character;
Which call(s) is (are) legal?
 A J1 := F (P1 => 1, P2 => J2, P3 => '3', P4 => '4');
 B J1 := F (P1 \Rightarrow 1, P3 \Rightarrow '3', P4 \Rightarrow C);
 C. J1 := F (1, J2, '3', C);
 D F (J1, J2, '3', C);
```

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Quiz

```
P2 : in out Integer;
           P3 : in Character := ' ':
           P4 : out Character)
  return Integer;
J1, J2 : Integer;
C : Character:
Which call(s) is (are) legal?
 A J1 := F (P1 => 1, P2 => J2, P3 => '3', P4 => '4');
 B J1 := F (P1 \Rightarrow 1, P3 \Rightarrow '3', P4 \Rightarrow C);
 \Box 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
- Correct
- D F is a function, its return must be handled

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Null Procedures

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Null Procedure Declarations

- 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

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Null Procedures As Completions

■ 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;
```

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Typical Use for Null Procedures: OOP

- 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

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Null Procedure Summary

- 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

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Nested Subprograms

Nested Subprograms

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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

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Nested Subprogram Example

```
procedure Main is
2
      function Read (Prompt: String) return Types.Line T is
3
      begin
         Put (Prompt & "> ");
5
          return Types.Line_T'Value (Get_Line);
6
      end Read;
8
      Lines : Types.Lines_T (1 .. 10);
9
   begin
10
      for J in Lines'Range loop
11
          Lines (J) := Read ("Line " & J'Image);
12
      end loop;
13
```

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Procedure Specifics

Procedure Specifics

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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
```

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Main Subprograms

- Must be library subprograms
 - Not nested inside another subprogram
- No special subprogram unit name required
- Can be many per project
- Can always 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;
```

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Function Specifics

Function Specifics

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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;
```

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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
```

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Multiple Return Statements

- Allowed
- Sometimes the most clear

```
function Truncated (R : Float) return Integer is
  Converted : Integer := Integer (R);
begin
  if R - Float (Converted) < 0.0 then -- rounded up
    return Converted - 1;
else -- rounded down
    return Converted;
end if;
end Truncated;</pre>
```

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Multiple Return Statements Versus One

- Many can detract from readability
- Can usually be avoided

```
function Truncated (R : Float) return Integer is
  Result : Integer := Integer (R);
begin
  if R - Float (Result) < 0.0 then -- rounded up
    Result := Result - 1;
  end if;
  return Result;
end Truncated;</pre>
```

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Function Dynamic-Size Results

```
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");
```

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Expression Functions

Expression Functions

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Expression Functions

- 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);
```

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Expression Functions Example

Expression function

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Quiz

Which statement is True?

- A Expression functions cannot be nested functions.
- B Expression functions require a specification and a body.
- Expression functions must have at least one return statement.
- D Expression functions can have "out" parameters.

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Quiz

Which statement is True?

- A Expression functions cannot be nested functions.
- BI Expression functions require a specification and a body.
- Expression functions must have at least one return statement.
- D Expression functions can have "out" parameters.

Explanation

- A They can be nested subprograms (just like any other subprogram)
- As in other subprograms, the implementation can serve as the specification
- Because they are expressions, the return statement is not allowed
- An expression function does not allow assignment statements, but it can call another function that is **not** an expression function.

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Potential Pitfalls

Potential Pitfalls

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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;
```

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"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 F;
```

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Order-Dependent Code and Side Effects

```
Global : Integer := 0;
function Inc return Integer is
begin
  Global := Global + 1;
  return Global;
end Inc;
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
 - \blacksquare X \rightarrow 0, Y \rightarrow 1 (if Global evaluated first)
 - \blacksquare X \rightarrow 1, Y \rightarrow 1 (if Inc evaluated first)

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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);
```

rror: writable actual for "Doubled" overlaps with actual for "Tripled"

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Functions¹ Parameter Modes

- 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 in earlier versions of the language
 - 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!

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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;
```

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Extended Example

Extended Example

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Implementing a Simple "Set"

- We want to indicate which colors of the rainbow are in a set
 - If you remember from the *Basic Types* module, a type is made up of values and primitive operations
- Our values will be
 - Type indicating colors of the rainbow
 - Type to group colors
 - Mechanism to indicate which color is in our set
- Our primitive operations will be
 - Create a set
 - Add a color to the set
 - Remove a color from the set
 - Check if color is in set

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Values for the Set

Colors of the rainbow

Group of colors

```
type Group_Of_Colors_T is
    array (Positive range <>) of Color_T;
```

Mechanism indicating which color is in the set

```
type Set_T is array (Color_T) of Boolean;
-- if array component at Color is True,
-- the color is in the set
```

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Primitive Operations for the Set

Create a set

```
function Make (Colors : Group_Of_Colors_T) return Set_T;
```

Add a color to the set

Remove a color from the set

Check if color is in set

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Implementation of the Primitive Operations

- Implementation of the primitives is easy
 - We could do operations directly on Set_T, but that's not flexible

```
function Make (Colors : Group Of Colors T) return Set T is
  Set : Set T := (others => False);
begin
  for Color of Colors loop
     Set (Color) := True:
  end loop;
  return Set;
end Make:
procedure Add (Set : in out Set_T;
              Color : Color T) is
begin
  Set (Color) := True:
end Add;
procedure Remove (Set : in out Set T:
                 Color :
                           Color T) is
begin
  Set (Color) := False;
end Remove;
function Contains (Set : Set T;
                  Color : Color T)
                  return Boolean is
   (Set (Color));
```

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Using our Set Construct

```
Rgb : Set T := Make ((Red, Green, Blue));
Light : Set T := Make ((Red, Yellow, Green));
if Contains (Rgb, Black) then
   Remove (Rgb, Black);
else
   Add (Rgb, Black);
end if;
In addition, because of the operations available to arrays of Boolean,
we can easily implement set operations
Union
           : Set_T := Rgb or Light;
Intersection : Set T := Rgb and Light;
Difference : Set T := Rgb xor Light;
```

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Lab

Lab

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Subprograms Lab

- Requirements
 - Build a list of sorted unique integers
 - Do not add an integer to the list if it is already there
 - Print the list
- Hints
 - Subprograms can be nested inside other subprograms
 - Like inside main
 - Build a Search subprogram to find the correct insertion point in the list

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Subprograms Lab Solution - Search

```
type List T is array (Positive range <>) of Integer;
4
      function Search
        (List : List T;
         Item : Integer)
8
         return Positive is
      begin
10
         if List'Length = 0 then
            return 1;
         elsif Item <= List (List'First) then
13
             return 1;
14
         else
            for Idx in (List'First + 1) .. List'Length loop
                if Item <= List (Idx) then
                   return Idx:
                end if:
19
             end loop;
20
            return List'Last:
         end if:
      end Search;
23
```

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Subprograms Lab Solution - Main

```
procedure Add (Item : Integer) is
25
         Place : Natural := Search (List (1..Length), Item);
26
      begin
         if List (Place) /= Item then
             Length
                                         := Length + 1;
            List (Place + 1 .. Length) := List (Place .. Length - 1);
30
            List (Place)
                                       := Item:
         end if;
32
      end Add:
33
34
   begin
36
      Add (100):
37
      Add (50);
      Add (25):
      Add (50):
      Add (90);
41
      Add (45):
42
      Add (22);
44
      for Idx in 1 .. Length loop
45
         Put_Line (List (Idx)'Image);
46
      end loop;
47
48
   end Main;
```

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Summary

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Summary

- procedure is abstraction for actions
- function is abstraction for value computations
- 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!

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Overloading

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Introduction

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Introduction

- 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

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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.

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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;
```

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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)
```

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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 "+";
```

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Enumerals and Operators

Enumerals and Operators

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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;
```

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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)

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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 notation for call

$$X := "*" (Left => 2, Right => 3);$$

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Call Resolution

Call Resolution

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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 : Float := A + B; -- illegal!
E : Float := 1.0 + 2.0;
```

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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);
```

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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
```

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Overloading Example

```
function "+" (Left : Position: Right : Offset)
  return Position is
begin
  return Position'(Left.Row + Right.Row, Left.Column + 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:
```

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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(s) is (are) legal?

A P := Horizontal_T'(Middle) * Middle;
B P := Top * Right;
C P := "*" (Middle, Top);
D P := "*" (H => Middle, V => Top);
```

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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(s) is (are) 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
- When overloading subprogram names, best to not just switch the order of parameters

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User-Defined Equality

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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*

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Lab

Lab

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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 its 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

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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 \Rightarrow Six, when 7 \Rightarrow 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)));
```

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Overloading Lab Solution - Main

```
Last Entry : Digit T := 0:
   begin
      100p
         Put ("Input: ");
         declare
            Str : constant String := Get Line;
         begin
            exit when Str'Length = 0;
            if Str (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"):
                     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"):
                     Last_Entry := Converted;
                     New Line;
                  end if:
               end:
            end if;
         end;
      end loop;
76 end Main;
```

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Summary

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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

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Type Derivation

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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

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Reminder: What is a Type?

- 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

```
package Types is
   type Integer_T is range -(2**63) .. 2**63-1 with Size => 64;
   procedure Increment_With_Truncation (Val : in out Integer_T);
   procedure Increment_With_Rounding (Val : in out Integer_T);
end Types;
```

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Simple Derivation

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Simple Type Derivation

Any type (except tagged) can be derived

```
\label{type Natural_T is new Integer_T range 0 .. Integer_T'Last;} \\
```

- Natural_T inherits from:
 - The data representation of the parent
 - Integer based, 64 bits
 - The **primitives** of the parent
 - Increment_With_Truncation and Increment_With_Rounding
- The types are not the same

```
I_Obj : Integer_T := 0;
N_Obj : Natural_T := 0;
■ I_Obj := N_Obj; → generates a compile error
expected type "Integer_T" defined at line 2
```

■ But a child can be converted to the parent

```
I_Obj := Integer_T (N_Obj);
```

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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 Positive_T is new Natural_T range 1 .. Natural_T'Last;
```

Unconstrained types can be constrained

```
type Arr_T is array (Integer range <>) of Integer;
type Ten_Elem_Arr_T is new Arr_T (1 .. 10);
type Rec_T (Size : Integer) is record
    Elem : Arr_T (1 .. Size);
end record;
type Ten_Elem_Rec_T is new Rec_T (10);
```

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Primitives

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Primitive Operations

Primitive Operations are those subprograms associated with a type

```
type Integer_T is range -(2**63) .. 2**63-1 with Size => 64;
procedure Increment_With_Truncation (Val : in out Integer_T);
procedure Increment_With_Rounding (Val : in out Integer_T);
```

- Most types have some primitive operations defined by the language
 - e.g. equality operators for most types, numeric operators for integers and floats
- A primitive operation on the parent can receive an object of a child type with no conversion

```
declare
   N_Obj : Natural_T := 1234;
begin
   Increment_With_Truncation (N_Obj);
end;
```

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General Rule for Defining a Primitive

- Primitives are subprograms
- Subprogram S is a primitive of type T if and only if:
 - S is declared in the scope of T
 - S uses type T
 - As a parameter
 - As its return type (for a function)
 - S is above *freeze-point* (see next section)
- Standard practice
 - Primitives should 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;
```

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Primitive of Multiple Types

```
A subprogram can be a primitive of several types
package P is
  type Distance_T is range 0 .. 9999;
  type Percentage T is digits 2 range 0.0 .. 1.0;
  type Units T is (Meters, Feet, Furlongs);
  procedure Convert (Value : in out Distance T;
                      Source :
                                      Units T;
                      Result : Units T;
  procedure Shrink (Value : in out Distance_T;
                     Percent : Percentage T);
end P;
  ■ Convert and Shrink are primitives for Distance_T
  ■ Convert is also a primitive of Units T
```

■ Shrink is also a primitive of Percentage T

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Creating Primitives for Children

- Just because we can inherit a primitive from out parent doesn't mean we want to
- We can create a new primitive (with the same name as the parent) for the child
 - Very similar to overloaded subprograms
 - But added benefit of visibility to grandchildren
- We can also remove a primitive (see next slide)

```
type Integer_T is range -(2**63) .. 2**63-1;
procedure Increment_With_Truncation (Val : in out Integer_T);
procedure Increment_With_Rounding (Val : in out Integer_T);

type Child_T is new Integer_T range -1000 .. 1000;
procedure Increment_With_Truncation (Val : in out Child_T);

type Grandchild_T is new Child_T range -100 .. 100;
procedure Increment_With_Rounding (Val : in out Grandchild_T);
```

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Overriding Indications

- Optional indications
- Checked by compiler

```
type Child_T is new Integer_T range -1000 .. 1000;
procedure Increment With_Truncation
   (Val : in out Child_T);
procedure Just_For_Child
   (Val : in out Child_T);
```

■ Replacing a primitive: overriding indication

```
overriding procedure Increment_With_Truncation
   (Val : in out Child_T);
```

Adding a primitive: not overriding indication

```
not overriding procedure Just_For_Child
   (Val : in out Child_T);
```

■ Removing a primitive: overriding as abstract

```
overriding procedure Just_For_Child
   (Val : in out Grandchild T) is abstract;
```

 Using overriding or not overriding incorrectly will generate a compile error

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Quiz

```
type T is new Integer;
Which operator(s) definition(s) is (are) legal?
A function "+" (V : T) return Boolean is (V /= 0)
B function "+" (A, B : T) return T is (A + B)
C function "=" (A, B : T) return T is (A - B)
D function ":=" (A : T) return T is (A)
```

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Quiz

```
type T is new Integer;
Which operator(s) definition(s) is (are) legal?

A function "+" (V : T) return Boolean is (V /= 0)
B function "+" (A, B : T) return T is (A + B)
C function "=" (A, B : T) return T is (A - B)
D function ":=" (A : T) return T is (A)
B Infinite recursion
```

Unlike some languages, there is no assignment operator

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Freeze Point

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What is the "Freeze Point"?

- Ada doesn't explicitly identify the end of the "scope" of a type
 - The compiler needs to know it for determining primitive operations
 - Also needed for other situations (described elsewhere)
- This end is the implicit freeze point occurring whenever:
 - A variable of the type is declared
 - The type is derived
 - The end of the scope is reached
- Subprograms past this "freeze point" are not primitive operations

```
type Parent is Integer;
procedure Prim (V : Parent);

type Child is new Parent;

-- Parent has been derived, so it is frozen.
-- Prim2 is not a primitive
procedure Prim2 (V : Parent);

V : Child;

-- Child used in an object declaration, so it is frozen
-- Prim3 is not a primitive
procedure Prim3 (V : Child);
```

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Debugging Type Freeze

- Freeze → Type completely defined
- Compiler does **need** to determine the freeze point
 - To instantiate, derive, get info on the type ('Size)...
 - Freeze rules are a guide to place it
 - Actual choice is more technical
 - May contradict the standard
- -gnatDG to get expanded source
 - Pseudo-Ada debug information

```
pkg.ads
```

```
type Up_To_Eleven is range 0 .. 11;
```

<obj>/pkg.ads.dg

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Quiz

```
type Parent is range 1 .. 100;
procedure Proc_A (X : in out Parent);
type Child is new Parent range 2 .. 99;
procedure Proc_B (X : in out Parent);
procedure Proc_B (X : in out Child);
-- Other scope
procedure Proc_C (X : in out Child);
type Grandchild is new Child range 3 .. 98:
procedure Proc_C (X : in out Grandchild);
```

Which are Parent's primitives?

- A. Proc_A
- B. Proc_B
- C. Proc C
- No primitives of Parent

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Quiz

```
type Parent is range 1 .. 100;
procedure Proc_A (X : in out Parent);

type Child is new Parent range 2 .. 99;
procedure Proc_B (X : in out Parent);
procedure Proc_B (X : in out Child);

-- Other scope
procedure Proc_C (X : in out Child);

type Grandchild is new Child range 3 .. 98;
procedure Proc_C (X : in out Grandchild);
```

Which are Parent's primitives?

- A. Proc_A
- B. Proc_B
- C. Proc_C
- D. No primitives of Parent

Explanations

- A. Correct
- B. Freeze: Parent has been derived
- C. Freeze: scope change
- D. Incorrect

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Summary

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Summary

- Primitive of a type
 - Subprogram above **freeze-point** that takes or returns 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

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Exceptions

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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;
```

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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 task
- 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 tasks need not be affected

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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</pre>
      raise Fuel Exhausted;
    else -- decrement quantity
      Car.Fuel Quantity := Car.Fuel Quantity -
                            Current_Consumption;
    end if;
  end Consume Fuel;
end Automotive;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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Handlers

Handlers

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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 } ]
```

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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
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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Handling Specific Statements¹ Exceptions

```
begin
 loop
    Prompting: loop
      Put (Prompt);
      Get Line (Filename, Last);
      exit when Last > Filename'First - 1;
    end loop Prompting;
    begin
      Open (F, In_File, Filename (1..Last));
      exit:
    exception
      when Name_Error =>
        Put_Line ("File '" & Filename (1..Last) &
                  "' was not found.");
    end;
  end loop;
```

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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;
```

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Quiz

```
procedure Main is
1
       A, B, C, D: Integer range 0 .. 100;
    begin
       A := 1; B := 2; C := 3; D := 4;
4
       begin
5
          D := A - C + B:
       exception
          when others => Put_Line ("One");
                           D := 1:
9
10
       end;
       D := D + 1:
11
12
       begin
          D := D / (A - C + B):
13
14
       exception
15
          when others => Put Line ("Two");
                           D := -1:
16
17
       end;
    exception
18
       when others =>
19
          Put Line ("Three");
20
    end Main;
21
```

What will get printed?

- One, Two, Three Two, Three
- B. Two
- Three

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Quiz

```
procedure Main is
1
       A, B, C, D: Integer range 0 .. 100;
    begin
       A := 1; B := 2; C := 3; D := 4:
4
       begin
          D := A - C + B:
       exception
           when others => Put_Line ("One");
                           D := 1:
9
10
       end;
       D := D + 1:
11
12
       begin
          D := D / (A - C + B):
13
14
       exception
15
          when others => Put Line ("Two");
                           D := -1:
16
       end:
17
    exception
18
       when others =>
19
          Put Line ("Three");
20
21
    end Main;
```

What will get printed?

- A. One, Two, Three
- B. Two, Three
 Two
- D. Three

Explanations

- 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
- If we reach Two, the assignment on line 16 will cause Three to be reached
- D. Divide by 0 on line 13 causes an exception, so Two must be called

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Implicitly and Explicitly Raised Exceptions

Implicitly and Explicitly Raised Exceptions

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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;
```

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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

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Explicitly-Raised Exceptions

- Raised by application via raise statements
 - Named exception becomes active
- Syntax
 raise_statement ::= raise; |
 raise exception_name
 [with string_expression];
 Note "with string_expression" only
 available in Ada 2005 and later
- A raise by itself is only allowed in handlers

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User-Defined Exceptions

User-Defined Exceptions

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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

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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;
```

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Propagation

Propagation

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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

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Propagation Demo

```
procedure Do_Something is 16
                                   begin -- Do Something
1
                                      Maybe_Raise (3);
     Error : exception;
                                17
     procedure Unhandled is
                                      Handled:
                                18
     begin
                                    exception
                                19
       Maybe Raise (1);
                                      when Error =>
                                20
5
                                        Print ("Handle 3"):
     end Unhandled:
                                21
     procedure Handled is
                                   end Do Something;
                                22
     begin
       Unhandled;
       Maybe_Raise (2);
10
     exception
11
       when Error =>
12
         Print ("Handle 1 or 2");
13
     end Handled;
14
```

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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;
```

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Quiz

```
Main Problem : exception;
3 I : Integer;
4 function F (P : Integer) return Integer is
  begin
    if P > 0 then
      return P + 1:
    elsif P = 0 then
      raise Main Problem:
    end if;
  end F:
  begin
    I := F(Input_Value);
    Put Line ("Success"):
  exception
    when Constraint_Error => Put_Line ("Constraint Error");
    when Program Error => Put Line ("Program Error");
    when others
                          => Put_Line ("Unknown problem");
  What will get printed if Input Value on line 13 is Integer 'Last?
    M Unknown Problem
    B Success
    Constraint Error
    D Program Error
```

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Quiz

```
Main Problem : exception;
3 I : Integer;
 function F (P : Integer) return Integer is
  begin
    if P > 0 then
      return P + 1:
    elsif P = 0 then
      raise Main Problem:
    end if;
  end F:
  begin
    I := F(Input Value):
    Put Line ("Success"):
  exception
    when Constraint Error => Put Line ("Constraint Error");
    when Program Error => Put Line ("Program Error");
                           => Put_Line ("Unknown problem");
    when others
  What will get printed if Input Value on line 13 is Integer 'Last?
    A Unknown Problem
    B Success
    Constraint Error
    D Program Error
   Explanations
    M "Unknown Problem" is printed by the when others due to the
      raise on line 9 when P is 0
```

"Success" is printed when 0 < P < Integer'Last
 Trying to add 1 to P on line 7 generates a Constraint_Error
 Program Error will be raised by F if P < 0 (no return

statement found)

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Exceptions As Objects

Exceptions As Objects

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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

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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;
```

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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));
```

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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)

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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
    ...
```

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Raise Expressions

Raise Expressions

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Raise Expressions

■ Expression raising specified exception at run-time

```
Foo : constant Integer := (case X is when 1 => 10, when 2 => 20, when others => raise Error);
```

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Lab

Lab

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Exceptions Lab

(Simplified) Input Verifier

- Overview
 - Create an application that converts strings to numeric values
- Requirements
 - Create a package to define your numeric type
 - Define a primitive to convert a string to your numeric type
 - The primitive should raise your own exceptions; one for out-of-range and one for illegal string
 - Main program should run multiple tests on the primitive

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Exceptions Lab Solution - Numeric Types

```
1 package Numeric Types is
      Illegal_String : exception;
      Out Of Range : exception;
      Max Int : constant := 2**15;
      type Integer_T is range -(Max_Int) .. Max_Int - 1;
      function Value (Str : String) return Integer_T;
   end Numeric Types;
   package body Numeric Types is
      function Legal (C : Character) return Boolean is
      begin
         return
           C in '0' .. '9' or C = '+' or C = '-' or C = ' ' or C = 'e' or C = 'E';
      end Legal;
      function Value (Str : String) return Integer_T is
      begin
         for I in Str'Range loop
            if not Legal (Str (I)) then
               raise Illegal_String;
            end if:
         end loop:
         return Integer_T'Value (Str);
      exception
         when Constraint Error =>
            raise Out Of Range;
      end Value:
32 end Numeric_Types;
```

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Exceptions Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada. Text IO:
   with Numeric Types:
   procedure Main is
      procedure Print_Value (Str : String) is
          Value : Numeric Types.Integer T:
      begin
          Ada. Text IO. Put (Str & " => "):
          Value := Numeric Types.Value (Str);
          Ada. Text IO. Put Line (Numeric Types. Integer T'Image (Value));
10
      exception
11
          when Numeric Types.Out Of Range =>
12
             Ada. Text IO. Put Line ("Out of range");
          when Numeric Types.Illegal String =>
14
             Ada. Text IO. Put Line ("Illegal entry");
15
      end Print Value;
16
   begin
18
      Print Value ("123"):
19
      Print Value ("2 3 4"):
20
      Print Value ("-345"):
21
      Print Value ("+456"):
22
      Print Value ("1234567890"):
      Print Value ("123abc"):
24
      Print Value ("12e3"):
25
   end Main:
```

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Summary

Summary

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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



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Relying on Exception Raising Is Risky

- They may be suppressed
 - By runtime environment
 - By build switches
- Not recommended

end Tomorrow:

```
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:
```

function Tomorrow (Today : Days) return Days is

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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

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Low Level Programming

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Introduction

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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

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Data Representation

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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

- 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;
```

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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

```
-- with aspect
type Small_T is range 1 .. 4
   with Size => 3;
-- with representation clause
type Another_Small_T is range 1 .. 4;
for Another_Small_T'Size use 3;
```

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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

```
-- with aspects
type Some_T is range 1 .. 4
   with Value_Size => 3,
        Object_Size => 8;

-- with representation clauses
type Another_T is range 1 .. 4;
for Another_T'Value_Size use 3;
for Another_T'Object_Size use 8;
```

■ Object size is the *default* size of an object, can be changed if specific representations are given

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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

```
-- with aspects
type Aligned_T is range 1 .. 4
  with Size => 4,
        Alignment => 8;

-- with representation clauses
type Another_Aligned_T is range 1 .. 4;
for Another_Aligned_T'Size use 4;
for Another_Aligned_T'Alignment use 8;
```

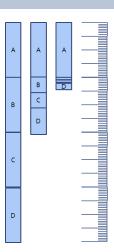
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Record Types

end record;

- 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;
```



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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
```

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Enum Representation Clauses

- Can specify representation for each value
- Representation must have increasing number

```
type E is (A, B, C);
for E use (A => 2, B => 4, C => 8);
```

- Can use E'Enum_Rep (A) = 2
- \blacksquare Can use E'Enum_Val (2) = A

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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...

```
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;
```

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Unchecked Unions

- Allows replicating C's union with discriminated records
- Discriminant is not stored
- No discriminant check
- Object must be mutable

```
type R (Is Float : Boolean := False) is record
    case Is Float is
    when True =>
        F : Float;
    when False =>
        I : Integer;
    end case:
end record
    with Unchecked Union;
0 : R := (Is_Float => False, I => 1);
 : Float := R.F; -- no check!
```

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Array Representation Clauses

■ Component_Size for array's component's size

```
-- with aspect
type Array_T is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean
    with Component_Size => 2;

-- with representation clause
type Another_Array_T is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean;
for Another_Array_T'Component_Size use 2;
```

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Endianness Specification

- Bit_Order for a type's endianness
- Scalar_Storage_Order for composite types
 - Endianess of components' ordering
 - GNAT-specific
 - Must be consistent with Bit_Order
- Compiler will peform needed bitwise transformations when performing operations

```
-- with aspect

type Array_T is array (1 .. 1000) of Boolean with

Scalar_Storage_Order => System.Low_Order_First;

-- with representation clauses

type Record_T is record

A : Integer;

B : Boolean;
end record;
for Record_T use record

A at 0 range 0 .. 31;

B at 0 range 32 .. 33;
end record;
for Record_T'Bit_Order use System.High_Order_First;
for Record_T'Scalar Storage Order use System.High_Order_First;
```

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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
     Component1: Unsigned 8;
     Component2 : Unsigned_16;
     Component3: Unsigned 8;
end record:
type Packed Rec T is new Rec T;
for Packed Rec T use record
   Component1 at 0 range 0 .. 7;
   Component2 at 0 range 8 .. 23;
   Component3 at 0 range 24 .. 31;
end record:
R : Rec T;
P : Packed Rec T;
R := Rec T (P);
P := Packed Rec T (R);
```

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Address Clauses and Overlays

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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

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Address Clauses

Ada allows specifying the address of an entity

```
Use_Aspect : Unsigned_32 with
   Address => 16#1234_ABCD#;

Use_Rep_Clause : Unsigned_32;
for Use_Rep_Clause'Address use 16#5678_1234#;
```

- Very useful to declare I/O registers
 - For that purpose, the object should be declared volatile:

```
Use_Aspect : Unsigned_32 with
   Volatile,
   Address => 16#1234_ABCD#;

Use_Rep_And_Pragma : Unsigned_32;
for Use_Rep_And_Pragma'Address use 16#5678_1234#;
pragma Volatile (Use_Rep_And_Pragma);
```

■ Useful to read a value anywhere

```
function Get_Byte (Addr : Address) return Unsigned_8 is
    V : Unsigned_8 with Address => Addr, Volatile;
begin
    return V;
end;
```

- In particular the address doesn't need to be constant
- But must match alignment

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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

- GNAT specific attribute 'To_Address
 - Handy but not portable
 - V : Unsigned_32 with
 Address => System'To_Address (16#120#);

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Volatile

- The Volatile property can be set using an aspect or a pragma
- Ada also allows volatile types as well as objects

```
type Volatile_U32 is mod 2**32 with Volatile;
type Volatile_U16 is mod 2**16;
pragma Volatile (Volatile_U16);
```

- 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

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Ada Address Example

```
type Bit_Array_T is array (Integer range <>) of Boolean
  with Component_Size => 1;
-- objects can be referenced elsewhere
Object : aliased Integer with Volatile;
Object2: aliased Integer with Volatile;
Object_A : System.Address := Object'Address;
Object_I : Integer_Address := To_Integer (Object_A);
-- This overlays Bit_Array_Object onto Object in memory
Bit_Array_Object : aliased Bit_Array_T (1 .. Object'Size)
  with Address => Object A;
Object2_Alias : aliased Integer
   -- Trust me, I know what I'm doing, this is Object2
  with Address => To Address (Object I - 4);
```

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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

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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
 - Many compilers will warn if the type sizes do not match

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Tricks

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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

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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
```

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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;
```

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Lab

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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

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Project Requirements

- Message Generation
 - Message should at least contain:
 - Unique Identifier
 - (Constrained) string component
 - Two other components
 - 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

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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"

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39 end Crc:

Low Level Programming Lab Solution - CRC

```
: with System;
2 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:
              : Natural)
        Size
        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;
              for I in Overlay'Range
                  Retval := Retval + Overlay (I);
              end loop;
            end:
         end if;
         return Retval;
      end Generate:
```

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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:
                              : 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);
     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 T:
     end record:
  end Messages;
```

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end Text;

Low Level Programming Lab Solution - Main (Helpers)

```
: with Ada.Text IO; use Ada.Text IO;
2 with Messages;
s procedure Main is
     Message : Messages.Message T;
     function Command return Messages.Command T is
     begin
        loop
           Put ("Command ("):
           for E in Messages. Command T
               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
        1000
           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;
```

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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;
      Messages.Read (Message, Valid);
      Ada. Text IO. Put Line ("Message valid: " & Boolean 'Image (Valid)):
   end read:
begin
   100p
      Put ("Create Write Read Print: ");
      declare
         Command : constant String := Get Line;
      begin
         exit when Command'Length = 0;
         case Command (Command'First) is
            when ici | ici =>
               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;
```

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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);
         Retual Last
                                   := Text Index T (Length):
         return Retval:
      end To Text;
15
      function From Text (Text : Text T) return String is
         Last : constant Integer := Integer (Text.Last):
      begin
         return Text.Text (1 .. Last);
19
      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;
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```

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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;
     (Unique_Id => Global_Unique_Id, Command => Command,
      Value => U32_T (Value), Text => To_Text (Text), Crc => 0);
   Retval.Crc := Crc.Generate (Retval'Address, Retval'Size):
   return Retval:
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. Overlav 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;
   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)));
   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
   Ada.Text_IO.Open (File, Ada.Text_IO.In_File, Comst_Filename);
      Str : constant String := Ada. Text IO. Get Line (File):
      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 Read:
procedure Print (Message : Message_T) is
   Ada.Text IO.Put Line ("Message" & US2 T'Image (Message.Unique Id)):
   Ada.Text_ID.Put_Line (" " & Command_T'Image (Message.Command) & " =>" &
                        U32_T'Image (Message.Value));
   Ada. Text IO. Put Line (" Additional Info: " & From Text (Message. Text)):
end Print;
```

se end Messages;

Summary

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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

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Supplementary Resource: Inline ASM

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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

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Simple Statement

■ Instruction without inputs/outputs

```
Asm ("halt", Volatile => True);
```

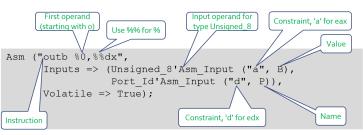
- You may specify Volatile to avoid compiler optimizations
- In general, keep it False unless it created issues
- You can group several instructions

- The compiler doesn't check the assembly, only the assembler will
 - Error message might be difficult to read

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Operands

- It is often useful to have inputs or outputs...
 - Asm_Input and Asm_Output attributes on types



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Mapping Inputs / Outputs on Temporaries

- 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
1	A constant
g	global (on x86)
a	eax (on x86)

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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 as assembler manual for syntax

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Volatile and Clobber ASM Parameters

- \blacksquare Volatile \to True deactivates optimizations with regards to suppressed instructions
- $lue{}$ Clobber ightarrow "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

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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:
```

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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);
```

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Writing a Machine Register (ppc)

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Packages

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Introduction

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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

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Basic Syntax and Nomenclature

- Spec
 - Basic declarative items **only**
 - e.g. no subprogram bodies

```
package name is
    {basic_declarative_item}
end [name];
```

Body

```
package body name is
   declarative_part
end [name];
```

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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
 - Clients have **no** visibility over the body
 - 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;
```

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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!

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Declarations

Declarations

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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;
```

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Compile-Time Visibility Control

Items in the declaration are visible to users

```
package Some_Package is
   -- exported declarations of
   -- types, variables, subprograms ...
end Some_Package;
```

- Items in the body are never externally visible
 - Compiler prevents external references

package body Some_Package is

```
-- hidden declarations of
-- types, variables, subprograms ...
-- implementations of exported subprograms etc.
end Some Package;
```

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Example of Exporting to Clients

- Variables, types, exception, subprograms, etc.
 - The primary reason for separate subprogram declarations

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Referencing Other Packages

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with Clause

- When package Client needs access to package Server, it uses a with clause
 - Specify the library units that Client depends upon
 - The "context" in which the unit is compiled
 - Client's code gets **visibility** over Server's specification
- Syntax (simplified)

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Referencing Exported Items

- Achieved via "dot notation"
- Package Specification

```
package Float_Stack is
  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);
```

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with Clause Syntax

- A library unit is a package or subprogram that is not nested within another unit
 - Typically in its own file(s)
 - e.g. for package Test, GNAT defaults to expect the spec in test.ads and body in test.adb)
- Only library units may appear in a with statement
 - Can be a package or a standalone subprogram
- Due to the with syntax, library units cannot be overloaded
 - If overloading allowed, which **P** would with P; refer to?

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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
   Component : A. Something;
  end record;
end B;
with B; -- no "with" of A
procedure Foo is
  X : B.Something;
begin
  X.Component := ...
```

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Bodies

Bodies

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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...

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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

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Example Spec That Cannot Have a Body

```
package Graphics Primitives is
  type Coordinate is digits 12;
  type Device Coordinates is record
    X, Y: Integer;
  end record:
  type Normalized_Coordinates is record
    X, Y: Coordinate range 0.0 .. 1.0;
  end record;
  type Offset is record
    X, Y : Coordinate range -1.0 .. 1.0;
  end record;
  -- nothing to implement, so no body allowed
end Graphics Primitives;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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Quiz

```
package P is
  Object_One : Integer;
  procedure One (V : 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 (V : out Integer) is null;
   end P;
 mackage body P is
     Object One : Integer;
     procedure One (V : out Integer) is
     begin
       V := Object One;
     end One;
   end P;
 D package body P is
     procedure One (V : out Integer) is
     begin
       V := Object_One;
     end One:
    end P:
```

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Quiz

```
package P is
   Object_One : Integer;
   procedure One (V : 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 (V : out Integer) is null;
    end P;
 mackage body P is
      Object One : Integer;
     procedure One (V : out Integer) is
      begin
        V := Object One;
      end One;
   end P;
 D package body P is
      procedure One (V : out Integer) is
      begin
        V := Object One:
      end One:
    end P:
 A Procedure One must have a body
 B. Parameter V is out but not assigned (legal but not a good idea)
 Redeclaration of Object One
 Correct
```

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Executable Parts

Executable Parts

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Optional Executable Part

```
package_body ::=
   package body name is
        declarative_part
   [ begin
        handled_sequence_of_statements ]
   end [ name ];
```

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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

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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;
```

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- 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;
```

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Idioms

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Named Collection of Declarations

- Exports:
 - Objects (constants and variables)
 - Types
 - Exceptions
- Does not export operations

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Named Collection of Declarations (2)

■ Effectively application global data

```
package Equations of Motion is
  Longitudinal_Velocity : Float := 0.0;
  Longitudinal_Acceleration : Float := 0.0;
  Lateral_Velocity : Float := 0.0;
  Lateral Acceleration : Float := 0.0;
  Vertical_Velocity : Float := 0.0;
  Vertical Acceleration : Float := 0.0;
  Pitch_Attitude : Float := 0.0;
  Pitch Rate : Float := 0.0;
  Pitch_Acceleration : Float := 0.0;
end Equations of Motion;
```

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Group of Related Program Units

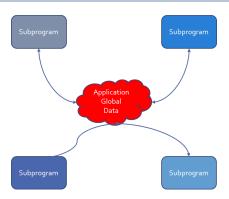
- Exports:
 - Objects
 - Types
 - Values
 - Operations
- Users have full access to type representations
 - This visibility may be necessary

```
package Linear_Algebra is
  type Vector is array (Positive range <>) of Float;
  function "+" (L,R : Vector) return Vector;
  function "*" (L,R : Vector) return Vector;
  ...
end Linear Algebra;
```

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Uncontrolled Data Visibility Problem

 Effects of changes are potentially pervasive so one must understand everything before changing anything



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Packages and "Lifetime"

- Like a subprogram, objects declared directly in a package exist while the package is "in scope"
 - Whether the object is in the package spec or body
- Packages defined at the library level (not inside a subprogram) are always "in scope"
 - Including packages nested inside a package
- So package objects are considered "global data"
 - Putting variables in the spec exposes them to clients
 - Usually in another module we talk about data hiding in the spec
 - Variables in the body can only be accessed from within the package body

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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







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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;
```

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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...

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Lab

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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
 - User input (ensure value is in range)
 - 3 List Abstract Data Machine
- Remember: with package_name; gives access to package_name

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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**
- lacktriangle New ightarrow 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

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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;
```

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Packages Lab Solution - Input

```
with Constants;
   package Input is
      function Get_Value (Prompt : String) return Constants.Integer_T;
3
   end Input;
5
   with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
   package body Input is
8
      function Get Value (Prompt: String) return Constants. Integer T is
9
         Ret Val : Integer;
10
      begin
         Put (Prompt & "> "):
         1000
13
             Ret_Val := Integer'Value (Get_Line);
             exit when Ret Val >= Constants.Lowest Value
               and then Ret Val <= Constants. Highest Value;
16
             Put ("Invalid. Try Again >");
         end loop;
18
         return Ret_Val;
19
      end Get Value:
20
21
   end Input;
22
```

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45 end List;

Packages Lab Solution - List

```
: package List is
     procedure Add (Value : Integer);
     procedure Remove (Value : Integer);
     function Length return Natural:
     procedure Print:
e 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
        if Last < Content'Last then
                         := Last + 1:
           Content (Last) := Value;
           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 - 1:
           else
              I := I + 1:
           end if:
        end loop;
     end Remove;
     procedure Print is
        for I in 1 .. Last loop
           Put Line (Integer'Image (Content (I)));
        end loop;
     end Print;
     function Length return Natural is (Last):
```

Packages Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
   with Input;
   with List:
   procedure Main is
   begin
      1000
         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"));
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               when 'P' =>
                  List.Print;
               when 'Q' =>
                  exit;
               when others =>
                  Put Line ("Illegal entry");
            end case;
         end;
      end loop;
  end Main:
```

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Summary

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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

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Private Types

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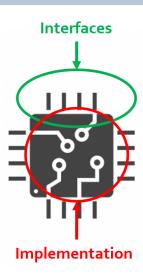
Introduction

- 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"

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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"



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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

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Implementing Abstract Data Types Via Views

Implementing Abstract Data Types Via Views

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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

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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;
```

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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
 - But cannot create an object of that type until after the full type declaration
- Full type declaration must appear in private part
 - Completion is the Full view
 - Never visible to users
 - Not visible to designer until reached

```
package Bounded_Stacks is
  type Stack is private;
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer; Onto : in out Stack);
  ...
private
  ...
  type Stack is record
    Top : Positive;
  ...
end Bounded Stacks;
```

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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

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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

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Users Declare Objects of the Type

- Unlike "abstract data machine" approach
- Hence must specify which stack to manipulate
 - Via parameter

```
X, Y, Z : Bounded_Stacks.Stack;
...
Push (42, X);
...
if Empty (Y) then
...
Pop (Counter, Z);
```

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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;
```

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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

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Quiz

```
package P is
   type Private T is private;
   type Record T is record
Which component(s) is (are) legal?
 Component_A : Integer := Private_T'Pos
    (Private T'First);
 B. Component_B : Private_T := null;
 C. Component C : Private T := 0;
 D Component_D : Integer := Private_T'Size;
   end record;
```

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Quiz

```
package P is
   type Private T is private;
   type Record T is record
Which component(s) is (are) legal?
 A Component A : Integer := Private T'Pos
    (Private T'First);
 B. Component B : Private T := null;
 C. Component C : Private T := 0;
 D. Component D : Integer := Private T'Size;
    end record:
```

Explanations

- ► Visible part does not know Private T is discrete
- B. Visible part does not know possible values for Private T
- Visible part does not know possible values for Private T
- Correct type will have a known size at run-time

AdaCore 605 / 886 Private Part Construction

Private Part Construction

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Private Part and Recompilation

- Users can compile their code before the package body is compiled or even written
- 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

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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:
```

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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 Vector is array (1.. 10)
     of Integer;
  function Initial
     return Vector;
  type T is record
    A, B : Vector := Initial;
  end record;
end P;
```

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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:
```

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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(s) is (are) legal?
 A. Object A
 B. Object_B
 ■ Object C
 None of the above
```

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```
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(s) is (are) legal?
 A. Object A
 B. Object_B
 ■ Object C
 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.

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View Operations

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View Operations

- Reminder: view is the *interface* you have on the type
- User of package has Partial view
 - Operations exported by package

- Designer of package has Full view
 - Once completion is reached
 - All operations based upon full definition of type

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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;
```

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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

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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;
```

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Limited Private

- limited is itself a view
 - Cannot perform assignment, copy, or equality
- limited private can restrain user's operation
 - Actual type does not need to be limited

```
package UART is
    type Instance is limited private;
    function Get_Next_Available return Instance;
[...]

declare
    A, B : UART.Instance := UART.Get_Next_Available;
begin
    if A = B -- Illegal
    then
        A := B; -- Illegal
    end if;
```

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When to Use or Avoid Private Types

When to Use or Avoid Private Types

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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 type¹s 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

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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 Float;
V : Vector (1 .. 3);
...
V (1) := Alpha; -- Illegal since Vector is private
```

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Idioms

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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

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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);
```

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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:
```

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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);
```

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Lab

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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

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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;
      type Color_Set_Array_T is array (Color_T) of Boolean;
      type Color Set T is record
         Values : Color_Set_Array_T := (others => False);
      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
         Set. Values (Color) := True;
      procedure Remove (Set : in out Color Set T:
                       Color :
                                      Color_T) is
         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'Inage (First) else "");
      begin
         if First = Last then
            return Str;
            return Str & " " & Image (Set. Color T'Succ (First). Last):
         end if:
      function Image (Set : Color Set T) return String is
         (Image (Set. Color T'First. Color T'Last)):
46 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;
                    Kev
                                         Kev T:
                    Description :
                                         Colors.Color Set T:
                    Success
                                     out Boolean):
      procedure Remove (Map
                            : in out Map T:
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                       Kev
                                        Kev T:
                       Success : out Boolean);
      procedure Modify (Map
                             : in out Map T;
                                            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 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;
```

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Private Types Lab Solution - Flag Map (Body - 1 of 2)

```
function Find (Map : Map_T;
                     Kev : Kev T)
                     return Integer is
         for I in 1 .. Map.Length loop
            if Map. Values (I). Key = Key then
               return I;
            end if;
         end loop;
         return -1;
      end Find;
      procedure Add (Map
                              : in out Map T;
                                          Kev T:
                     Description :
                                          Colors Color Set T:
                     Success
                                      out Boolean) is
         Index : constant Integer := Find (Map. Kev):
         Success := False:
         if Index not in Map. Values'Range then
               New_Item : constant Map_Element_T :=
                 (Kev
                              -> Kev.
                  Description => Description):
            begin
               Map.Length
                                      := Map.Length + 1;
               Map. Values (Map.Length) := New_Item;
30
               Success
                                       := True;
            end;
         end if;
      end Add;
      procedure Remove (Map
                               : in out Map_T;
                        Success : out Boolean) is
         Index : constant Integer := Find (Map, Key);
      begin
         Success := False:
         if Index in Map. Values'Range then
            Map. Values (Index .. Map. Length - 1) :=
              Map. Values (Index + 1 .. Map.Length):
         end if:
      end Remove:
```

Private Types Lab Solution - Flag Map (Body - 2 of 2)

```
procedure Modify (Map
                             : in out Map_T;
                                       Key_T;
                                       Colors Color Set T:
                  Description :
                  Success
                           : out Boolean) is
   Index : constant Integer := Find (Map, Key);
begin
   Success := False:
   if Index in Map. Values 'Range then
      Map. Values (Index).Description := Description:
      Success
                                    ·= True:
   end if:
end Modify:
function Exists (Map : Map T:
                Key : Key_T)
                return Boolean is
   (Find (Map, Key) in Map.Values'Range);
function Get (Map : Map_T;
             Kev : Kev T)
             return Map_Element_T is
   Index : constant Integer := Find (Map, Key);
   Ret Val : Map Element T:
   if Index in Map. Values 'Range then
      Ret_Val := Map.Values (Index);
   return Ret_Val;
end Get:
function Image (Item : Map_Element_T) return String is
  (Item.Kev'Image & " => " & Colors.Image (Item.Description)):
function Image (Flag : Map T) return String is
   Ret_Val : String (1 .. 1_000);
   Next : Integer := Ret Val'First:
   for I in 1 .. Flag.Length loop
     declare
         Item : constant Map_Element_T := Flag.Values (I);
         Str : constant String
                                      := Image (Item):
         Ret Val (Next .. Next + Str'Length) := Image (Item) & ASCII.LF:
         Nort
                                            := 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
      1000
         Put ("Enter country name ("):
         for Key in Flags.Key_T loop
            Put (Flags.Kev T'Image (Kev) & " ");
         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;
                         := Flags.Key T'Value (Str);
            Description := Input.Get;
            if Flags. Exists (Map. Kev) then
               Flags.Modify (Map, Key, Description, Success);
               Flags.Add (Map, Key, Description, Success);
            end if:
         end:
      end loop;
30
      Put Line (Flags.Image (Map));
   end Main;
```

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Summary

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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

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Limited Types

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Introduction

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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);
```

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Limited Type Views¹ 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

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Inappropriate Copying Example

```
type File is ...
F1, F2 : File;
...
Open (F1);
Write (F1, "Hello");
-- What is this assignment really trying to do?
F2 := F1;
```

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Intended Effects of Copying

```
type File is ...
F1, F2 : File;
...
Open (F1);
Write (F1, "Hello");
Copy (Source => F1, Target => F2);
```

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Declarations

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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...

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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
```

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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;
```

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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);
```

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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;
```

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```
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
 \Box B := (L1 = L2)
 D B := (L1.I = L2.I)
```

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```
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
 \Box B := (L1 = L2)
 B := (L1.I = L2.I)
```

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```
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)
```

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```
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)
```

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Declarations

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(s) is (are) legal?
 A T1 := T2:
 B R1 := R2;
 C R1.F1 := R2.F1;
 D R2.F2 := R2.F2;
```

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```
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(s) is (are) legal?
 A T1 := T2:
 B R1 := R2:
 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
 Theses components are not limited types
 These components are of a limited type
```

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Creating Values

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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
```

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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;
```

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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 staring with Ada2005
  return Global X; -- this is a copy
end F;
```

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"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;
```

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```
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;
 I 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;
```

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```
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;
 I 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;
```

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```
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;
```

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```
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;
```

A contains an "in-place" return. The rest all rely on other objects, which would require an (illegal) copy.

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Extended Return Statements

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Function Extended Return Statements

- Extended return
- Result is expressed as an object
- More expressive than aggregates
- Handling of unconstrained types
- Syntax (simplified):

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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;
```

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■ 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;
```

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Statements Restrictions

- 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;
```

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```
type T is limited record
  I : Integer;
end record;
function F return T is
begin
   -- F bodu...
end F:
0 : 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)
 preturn R : T do
     R.I := 1;
   end return;
```

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```
type T is limited record
   I : Integer;
end record;
function F return T is
begin
   -- F bodu...
end F:
0 : 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
 BI OK, default value
 Extended return must specify type
```

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Combining Limited and Private Views

Combining Limited and Private Views

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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;

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Limited Private Type Rationale (1)

```
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;
```

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Limited Private Type Rationale (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;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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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;
```

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```
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;
 type A is array (1 .. 10) of Lim;
    type Priv is record
    F : A:
    end record;
 D type Priv is record
     Component : Integer := Lim'Size;
   end record;
```

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```
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:
 type A is array (1 .. 10) of Lim;
    type Priv is record
     F : A:
    end record;
 D type Priv is record
      Component : Integer := Lim'Size;
    end record:
 A E has limited type, partial view of Priv must be
   limited private
 B F has limited type, partial view of Priv must be
    limited private
```

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```
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
     Component : Integer:
  end record:
  type L2_T is record
     Component : Integer;
  end record:
  type P1_T is limited record
     Component : L1_T;
  end record:
  type P2_T is record
     Component : L2_T;
  end record:
end P:
```

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

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```
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
     Component : Integer:
  end record:
  type L2_T is record
     Component : Integer;
  end record:
  type P1_T is limited record
     Component : L1_T;
  end record:
  type P2_T is record
     Component : L2_T;
  end record:
end P:
```

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

Full definition of P1_T adds restrictions, which is not allowed. P2_T contains a component whose visible view is limited, the internal view is not limited so P2_T is not limited.

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Lab

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Limited Types Lab

■ Requirements

- Create an employee record data type consisting of a name, ID, hourly pay rate
 - ID should be a unique value generated 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

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Lab

Limited Types Lab Solution - Employee Data (Spec)

```
package Employee Data is
      subtype Name T is String (1 .. 6);
3
      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 : Name T:
                       Rate : Hourly Rate T := 0.0)
9
                       return Employee T;
10
      function Id (Employee : Employee T)
11
                   return Id T;
      function Name (Employee : Employee_T)
                     return Name T:
14
      function Rate (Employee : Employee_T)
                     return Hourly Rate T:
16
   private
18
      type Employee T is limited record
19
         Name : Name T := (others => ' '):
20
         Rate : Hourly_Rate_T := 0.0;
21
         Id : Id T := Id T'First:
22
      end record:
23
   end Employee_Data;
```

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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 : Employee Data.Name T;
                       Rate : Employee Data. Hourly Rate T;
                       Hours : Hours Worked T)
10
                       return Timecard T:
      function Id (Timecard : Timecard T)
13
                   return Employee Data.Id T:
14
      function Name (Timecard : Timecard T)
                   return Employee Data. Name T;
16
      function Rate (Timecard : Timecard T)
                   return Employee_Data.Hourly_Rate_T;
      function Pay (Timecard : Timecard T)
19
                   return Pay T;
20
      function Image (Timecard : Timecard T)
                   return String;
22
23
24
   private
      type Timecard T is limited record
25
         Employee : Employee Data. Employee T;
         Hours Worked : Hours Worked T := 0.0;
                      : Pav T
                                := 0.0:
         Pav
      end record:
   end Timecards;
```

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Limited Types Lab Solution - Employee Data (Body)

```
package body Employee Data is
      Last Used Id : Id T := Id T'First;
3
      function Create (Name : Name_T;
5
                        Rate : Hourly_Rate_T := 0.0)
                        return Employee T is
      begin
         return Ret_Val : Employee_T do
9
            Last Used Id := Id T'Succ (Last Used Id);
            Ret Val.Name := Name;
            Ret Val.Rate := Rate;
            Ret Val.Id := Last Used Id:
         end return:
14
      end Create:
16
      function Id (Employee : Employee_T) return Id_T is
          (Employee.Id);
18
       function Name (Employee : Employee T) return Name T is
19
          (Employee.Name);
20
      function Rate (Employee : Employee_T) return Hourly_Rate_T is
21
          (Employee.Rate):
22
23
   end Employee_Data;
24
```

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Limited Types Lab Solution - Timecards (Body)

```
package body Timecards is
      function Create (Name : Employee Data.Name T;
                       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,
            Pav
                         => Pav T (Hours) * Pav 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 Employee Data.Name T is
         (Employee Data.Name (Timecard.Employee)):
      function Rate (Timecard : Timecard T) return Employee Data. Hourly Rate T is
        (Employee Data.Rate (Timecard.Employee)):
      function Pav (Timecard : Timecard T) return Pav T is
         (Timecard.Pay);
22
      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
           Name S & " (" & Id S & ") => " & Hours S & " hours * " & Rate S &
           "/hour = " & Pay S;
      end Image:
40 end Timecards;
```

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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 ".
            Rate \Rightarrow 1.1,
            Hours \Rightarrow 2.2):
      Two: constant Timecards.Timecard T:= Timecards.Create
            (Name => "Barney",
10
            Rate \Rightarrow 3.3.
            Hours \Rightarrow 4.4);
12
13
    begin
14
       Put_Line (Timecards.Image (One));
15
       Put Line (Timecards.Image (Two));
16
   end Main;
17
```

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Summary

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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

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Program Structure

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Introduction

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Introduction

- 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

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Building a System

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What Is a System?

- Also called Application or Program or ...
- Collection of *library units*
 - Which are a collection of packages or subprograms

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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?

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Circular Dependencies

Circular Dependencies

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Handling Cyclic Dependencies

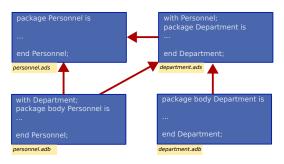
- Elaboration must be linear
- Package declarations cannot depend on each other
 - No linear order is possible
- Which package elaborates first?



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Body-Level Cross Dependencies Are OK

- The bodies only depend on other packages¹ declarations
- The declarations are already elaborated by the time the bodies are elaborated



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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
 - May be only choice, depending on language version
 - Best choice would be to implement both parts in a new package

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Circular Dependency in Package Declaration

```
with Department; -- Circular dependency
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; -- Circular dependency
package Department is
  type Section is private;
  procedure Choose Manager (This : in out Section;
                             Who : in Personnel.Employee);
[...]
end Department;
```

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limited with Clauses

- 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;
```

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Using Incomplete Types

- A type is <u>incomplete</u> when its representation is completely unknown
 - Address can still be manipulated through an access
 - Can be a formal parameter or function result's type
 - Subprogram's completion needs the complete type
 - Actual parameter needs the complete type
 - Can be a generic formal type parameters
 - If tagged, may also use 'Class

type T;

- Can be declared in a **private** part of a package
 - And completed in its body
 - Used to implement opaque pointers
- Thus typically involves some advanced features

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Legal 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;
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;
```

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Full with Clause on the Package Body

- 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;
```

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Hierarchical Library Units

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Problem: Packages Are Not Enough

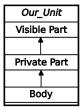
- Extensibility is a problem for private types
 - Provide excellent encapsulation and abstraction
 - But one has either complete visibility or essentially none
 - New functionality must be added to same package for sake of compile-time visibility to representation
 - Thus enhancements require editing/recompilation/retesting
- 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

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Solution: Hierarchical Library Units

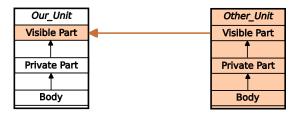
- Address extensibility issue
 - Can extend packages with visibility to parent private part
 - Extensions do not require recompilation of parent unit
 - Visibility of parent's private part is protected
- Directly support subsystems
 - Extensions all have the same ancestor root name

In a package, the body sees everything the private part sees, and the private part sees everything the visible part sees.



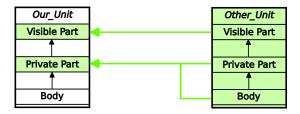
In a package, the body sees everything the private part sees, and the private part sees everything the visible part sees.

Another **package** can see our **visible part** (depending on where the "with" is), but nothing else.



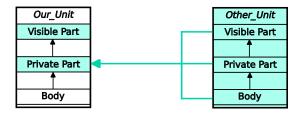
In a package, the body sees everything the private part sees, and the private part sees everything the visible part sees.

Our child's visible part can see our visible part, and its private part (and body) can see our private part



In a package, the body sees everything the private part sees, and the private part sees everything the visible part sees.

Our **private child** can see our private part and **visible part** from anywhere



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. Utils 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. Utils;
```

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 ancestors¹ 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 ...

```
package OS is
                 private
                  type OS private t is ...
                 end OS;
                                 package OS.Sibling is
package OS.Files is
private
                                  private
type File T is record
                                   type Sibling T is record
 Field : OS private t:
                                    Field : File t:
 end record;
                                   end record;
end OS.Files:
                                  end OS.Sibling;
```

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;
```

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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;
```

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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.Typemark;
end A.Bar;
```

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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 (are) NOT legal initialization(s) of Child Object?
 Parent.Parent_Object + Parent.Sibling.Sibling_Object
 Parent_Object + Sibling.Sibling_Object
 Parent Object + Sibling Object
 None of the above
```

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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 (are) NOT legal initialization(s) of Child Object?
 Parent.Parent_Object + Parent.Sibling.Sibling_Object
 B Parent Object + Sibling. Sibling Object
 Parent Object + Sibling Object
 None 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.
```

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Visibility Limits

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Parents Do Not Know Their Children!

- Children grant themselves access to ancestors¹ private parts
 - May be created well after parent
 - Parent doesn't know if/when child packages will exist
- Alternatively, language could have been designed 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

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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 ...
```

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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_T is visible here
end Parent_Child;
```

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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.Reset;
```

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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;
```

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Quiz

```
package P is
   Object_A : Integer;
private
   Object_B : Integer;
   procedure Dummy For Body;
end P:
package body P is
   Object_C : Integer;
   procedure Dummy_For_Body is null;
end P:
package P.Child is
   function X return Integer;
end P.Child;
```

Which return statement would be legal in P.Child.X?

- A. return Object_A;
- B. return Object_B;
- c. return Object_C;
- D. None of the above

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Quiz

```
package P is
   Object A : Integer;
private
   Object B : Integer;
   procedure Dummy For Body;
end P:
package body P is
   Object_C : Integer;
   procedure Dummy For Body is null;
end P;
package P.Child is
   function X return Integer;
end P.Child;
```

Which return statement would be legal in P.Child.X?

- A. return Object_A;
- B. return Object_B;
 C. return Object C;
- D. None of the above

Explanations

- 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

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Private Children

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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 ancestors¹ private parts

```
private package Maze.Debug is
    procedure Dump_State;
    ...
end Maze.Debug;
```

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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

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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

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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:
```

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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;
```

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Solution 2: Partially Import Private Unit

- 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

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private with Example

```
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;
```

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Combining Private and Limited Withs

- Cyclic limited with clauses 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;
```

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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;

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Lab

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Program Structure Lab

- Requirements
 - Create a message data type
 - Actual message type should be private
 - Need primitives to construct message and query contents
 - Create a child package that allows clients to modify the contents of the message
 - Main program should
 - Build a message
 - Print the contents of the message
 - Modify part of the message
 - Print the new contents of the message
- Note: There is no prompt for this lab you need to learn how to build the program structure

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Program Structure Lab Solution - Messages

```
1 package Messages is
      type Message T is private;
      type Kind T is (Command, Query):
      type Request T is digits 6;
      type Status T is mod 255;
      function Create (Kind
                              : Kind T:
                       Request : Request T;
                       Status : Status T)
                       return Message T:
      function Kind (Message : Message T) return Kind T;
      function Request (Message : Message T) return Request T:
      function Status (Message : Message T) return Status T;
   private
      type Message T is record
         Kind : Kind T;
         Request : Request T;
         Status : Status T:
      end record;
   end Messages;
   package body Messages is
      function Create (Kind
                             : Kind T:
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                       Request : Request T:
                       Status : Status T)
                       return Message T is
         (Kind => Kind, Request => Request, Status => Status):
      function Kind (Message : Message T) return Kind T is
         (Message, Kind):
      function Request (Message : Message T) return Request T is
         (Message.Request);
      function Status (Message : Message T) return Status T is
         (Message.Status):
39 end Messages;
```

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Program Structure Lab Solution - Message Modification

```
package Messages. Modify is
      procedure Kind (Message : in out Message T;
                      New Value :
                                         Kind T);
      procedure Request (Message : in out Message T;
                         New Value :
                                            Request T):
      procedure Status (Message : in out Message T:
                        New Value :
                                           Status T):
   end Messages.Modify;
   package body Messages. Modify is
      procedure Kind (Message : in out Message_T;
                      New Value :
                                         Kind T) is
      begin
         Message.Kind := New Value;
      end Kind:
18
      procedure Request (Message : in out Message_T;
                         New Value :
                                            Request T) is
      begin
22
         Message.Request := New Value;
23
      end Request;
      procedure Status (Message : in out Message_T;
                                           Status T) is
                        New Value :
      begin
         Message.Status := New Value;
      end Status:
   end Messages.Modify;
```

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Lab

Program Structure Lab Solution - Main

with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;

```
with Messages;
   with Messages. Modify;
   procedure Main is
      Message : Messages.Message_T;
5
      procedure Print is
      begin
         Put Line ("Kind => " & Messages.Kind (Message)'Image);
         Put_Line ("Request => " & Messages.Request (Message)'Image);
         Put_Line ("Status => " & Messages.Status (Message)'Image);
10
         New Line;
      end Print:
   begin
      Message := Messages.Create (Kind => Messages.Command.
14
                                   Request => 12.34,
                                   Status => 56):
      Print:
      Messages.Modify.Request (Message => Message,
18
                                New Value => 98.76):
19
      Print;
20
   end Main:
21
```

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Summary

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Summary

- Hierarchical library units address important issues
 - Direct support for subsystems
 - Extension without recompilation
 - Separation of concerns with controlled sharing of visibility
- 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

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Visibility

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Introduction

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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

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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

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"use" Clauses

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"use" Clauses

- use Pkg; provides direct visibility into public items in Pkg
 - Direct Visibility as if object was referenced from within package being used
 - Public Items any entity defined in package spec public section
- 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;
```

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"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

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"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 Pkq_B is now visible
  B2 : Integer := Constant_B; -- legal
  function F return Integer;
end P:
package body P is
  -- all of Pkq_A and Pkq_B is visible here
  function F return Integer is (Constant_A + Constant_B);
end P;
```

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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 : Float:
end D:
with D;
procedure P is
  procedure Q is
   T, X : Float;
  begin
    declare
     use D;
    begin
      -- With or without the clause. "T" means Q.T
      X := T:
    end;
  end Q;
```

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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
```

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"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;
with Parent.Child: use Parent.Child:
procedure Demo is
 D1 : Integer := Parent.P1;
 D2 : Integer := Parent.Child.PC1;
 use Parent:
 D3 : Integer := P1; -- illegal
  D4 : Integer := PC1;
```

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"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
   use P:
  begin
   C := A + B; -- now legal
  end;
end Test:
```

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"use type" and "use all type" Clauses

"use type" and "use all type" Clauses

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"use type" and "use all type"

- use type makes primitive operators directly visible for specified type
 - Implicit and explicit operator function declarations

```
use type subtype_mark {, subtype_mark};
```

- use all type makes primitive operators and all other operations directly visible for specified type
 - All enumerated type values will also be directly visible

```
use all type subtype_mark {, subtype_mark};
```

- More specific alternatives to use clauses
 - Especially useful when multiple use clauses introduce ambiguity

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Example Code

end Types;

```
package Types is
  type Distance_T is range 0 .. Integer'Last;
  -- explicit declaration
  -- (we don't want a negative distance)
  function "-" (Left, Right : Distance_T)
                return Distance T;
  -- implicit declarations (we get the division operator
  -- for "free", showing it for completeness)
  -- function "/" (Left, Right : Distance_T) return
                   Distance T:
  -- primitive operation
  function Min (A, B : Distance_T)
                return Distance T;
```

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"use" Clauses Comparison

Blue = context clause being used

No "use" clause

with Get_Distance; with Types;

package Example is -- no context clause

Point0 : Distance_T := Get_Distance;

Point1 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance;
Point2 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance;
Point3 : Types.Distance_T := (Point1 - Point2) / 2;
Point4 : Types.Distance T := Min (Point1, Point2);

end Example;

"use type" clause

with Get_Distance; with Types; package Example is

use type Types.Distance;

Point0 : Distance_T := Get_Distance; Point1 : Types.Distance T := Get Distance;

Point2 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance; Point3 : Types.Distance_T := (Point1 - Point2) / 2; Point4 : Types.Distance_T := Min (Point1, Point2);

end Example:

Red = compile errors with the context clause

"use" clause

with Get_Distance; with Types; package Example is use Types;

Point0 : Distance_T := Get_Distance;

Point1 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance;
Point2 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance;

Point3 : Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance_D / 2; Point4 : Types.Distance_T := Min (Point1, Point2);

end Example;

"use all type" clause

with Get_Distance; with Types; package Example is

use all type Types.Distance;

Point0 : Distance_T := Get_Distance; Point1 : Types.Distance T := Get Distance;

Point2: Types.Distance_T := Get_Distance;
Point3: Types.Distance_T := (Point1 - Point2) / 2;
Point4: Types.Distance_T := Min (Point1, Point2);

end Example:

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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;
```

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Renaming Entities

Renaming Entities

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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 - 2*B*C*cos(angle)

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)));
```

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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(angle)

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)

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The "renames" Keyword

- renames declaration creates an alias to an entity
 - Packages

```
package Trig renames Math.Trigonometry
```

Objects (or elements of objects)

Subprograms

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end;

Writing Readable Code - Part 2

- With renames our complicated code example is easier to understand
 - Executable code is very close to the specification
 - Declarations as "glue" to the implementation details

```
begin
   package Math renames Math Utilities;
  package Trig renames Math. Trigonometry;
  function Sqrt (X : Base Types.Float T) return Base Types.Float T
    renames Math.Square Root;
  function Cos ....
  B : Base Types.Float T
    renames Observation.Sides (Viewpoint Types.Observer Point1);
   -- Rename the others as Side2, Angles, Required Angle, Desired Side
begin
   -- A**2 = B**2 + C**2 - 2*B*C*cos(angle)
   A := Sart (B**2 + C**2 - 2.0 * B * C * Cos (Angle)):
```

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Lab

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Visibility Lab

Requirements

- Create two types packages for two different shapes. Each package should have the following components:
 - Number_of_Sides indicates how many sides in the shape
 - Side_T numeric value for length
 - Shape_T array of Side_T elements whose length is Number_of_Sides
- Create a main program that will
 - Create an object of each Shape_T
 - Set the values for each element in Shape_T
 - Add all the elements in each object and print the total

Hints

■ There are multiple ways to resolve this!

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Visibility Lab Solution - Types

```
package Quads is
      Number Of Sides : constant Natural := 4;
3
      type Side T is range 0 .. 1 000;
      type Shape_T is array (1 .. Number_Of_Sides) of Side_T;
5
6
   end Quads;
   package Triangles is
10
      Number_Of_Sides : constant Natural := 3;
11
      type Side_T is range 0 .. 1_000;
12
      type Shape T is array (1 .. Number Of Sides) of Side T;
13
14
   end Triangles;
15
```

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Visibility Lab Solution - Main #1

```
with Ada. Text IO: use Ada. Text IO:
   with Quads;
   with Triangles:
   procedure Main1 is
      use type Quads.Side T:
      Q Sides : Natural renames Quads.Number Of Sides:
              : Quads.Shape_T := (1, 2, 3, 4);
      Quad
      Quad Total : Quads.Side T := 0:
      use type Triangles.Side T;
      T Sides : Natural renames Triangles.Number Of Sides:
12
      Triangle: Triangles.Shape T := (1, 2, 3);
13
      Triangle Total : Triangles.Side T := 0;
14
15
16
   begin
17
      for I in 1 .. Q Sides loop
         Quad Total := Quad Total + Quad (I);
      end loop;
      Put_Line ("Quad: " & Quads.Side_T'Image (Quad_Total));
^{22}
23
      for I in 1 .. T Sides loop
         Triangle_Total := Triangle_Total + Triangle (I);
24
      end loop;
25
      Put Line ("Triangle: " & Triangles.Side T'Image (Triangle Total));
26
27
   end Main1;
```

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Visibility Lab Solution - Main #2

```
with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;
2 with Quads: use Quads:
   with Triangles; use Triangles;
   procedure Main2 is
      function Q_Image (S : Quads.Side_T) return String
         renames Quads.Side T'Image:
      Quad : Quads.Shape T := (1, 2, 3, 4);
      Quad Total : Quads.Side T := 0;
      function T Image (S : Triangles.Side T) return String
10
         renames Triangles.Side T'Image;
11
      Triangle : Triangles.Shape_T := (1, 2, 3);
12
      Triangle Total : Triangles.Side T := 0:
13
14
15
   begin
16
17
      for I in Quad'Range loop
         Quad Total := Quad Total + Quad (I);
18
      end loop:
19
      Put Line ("Quad: " & Q Image (Quad Total));
20
21
      for I in Triangle'Range loop
22
         Triangle Total := Triangle Total + Triangle (I):
23
      end loop;
24
      Put_Line ("Triangle: " & T_Image (Triangle_Total));
26
   end Main2;
```

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Summary

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Summary

- 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
- 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

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Genericity

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Introduction

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Right := V;
end Swap;

The Notion of a Pattern

Sometimes algorithms can be abstracted from types and subprograms
procedure Swap Int (Left. Right: in out Inte

```
procedure Swap_Int (Left, Right : in out Integer) is
    V : Integer := Left:
 begin
    Left := Right:
     Right := V;
 end Swap Int;
 procedure Swap Bool (Left, Right : in out Boolean) is
     V : Boolean := Left:
 begin
     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) := Left;
 begin
     Left := Right;
```

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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

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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
// prototype
template <class T>
void Swap (T & L, T & R);
// implementation
template <class T>
void Swap (T & L, T & R) {
  T Tmp = L;
  L = R:
   R = Tmp:
// instance
int x, y;
Swap < int > (x,y);
```

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Creating Generics

Creating Generics

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Declaration

■ Subprograms generic

```
type T is private;
  procedure Swap (L, R : in out T);
Packages
  generic
     type T is private;
 package Stack is
     procedure Push (Item : T);
  end Stack;
■ Body is required
    ■ Will be specialized and compiled for each instance

    Children of generic units have to be generic themselves

  generic
 package Stack. Utilities is
     procedure Print (S : Stack T);
```

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Usage

Instantiated with the new keyword

```
-- Standard library
function Convert is new Ada.Unchecked_Conversion
  (Integer, Array_Of_4_Bytes);
-- Callbacks
procedure Parse_Tree is new Tree_Parser
  (Visitor_Procedure);
-- Containers, generic data-structures
package Integer_Stack is new Stack (Integer);
```

Advanced usages for testing, proof, meta-programming

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Quiz

Which one(s) of the following can be made generic?

```
generic
   type T is private;
<code goes here>
```

- A. package
- B. record
- C. function
- D. array

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Quiz

Which one(s) of the following can be made generic?

```
generic
   type T is private;
<code goes here>
```

- A. package
- B. record
- C. function
- D. array

Only packages, functions, and procedures, can be made generic.

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Generic Data

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Generic Types Parameters (1/3)

- A generic parameter is a template
- It specifies the properties the generic body can rely on

```
generic
  type T1 is private;
  type T2 (<>) is private;
  type T3 is limited private;
package Parent is
```

■ The actual parameter must be no more restrictive then the generic contract

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Generic Types Parameters (2/3)

 Generic formal parameter tells generic what it is allowed to do with the type

```
type T1 is (<>); Discrete type; 'First, 'Succ, etc available
type T2 is range <>; Signed Integer type; appropriate mathematic operations allowed
type T3 is digits <>; Floating point type; appropriate mathematic operations allowed
lncomplete type; can only be used as target of access
type T5 is tagged private; tagged type; can extend the type
type T6 is private; No knowledge about the type type that to be initialized

(<>) indicates type can be unconstrained, so any object has to be initialized
```

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Generic Types Parameters (3/3)

■ The usage in the generic has to follow the contract

```
    Generic Subprogram

  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

    Instantiations

 type Limited T is limited null record:
  -- unconstrained types are accepted
 procedure P1 is new P (String);
  -- tupe is already constrained
  -- (but generic will still always initialize objects)
 procedure P2 is new P (Integer);
  -- Illegal: the type can't be limited because the generic
  -- thinks it can make copies
 procedure P3 is new P (Limited_T);
```

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Generic Parameters Can Be Combined

Consistency is checked at compile-time

```
generic
   type T (<>) is private;
   type Acc is access all T;
   type Index is (<>);
   type Arr is array (Index range <>) of Acc;
function Element (Source : Arr:
                  Position : Index)
                 return T:
type String Ptr is access all String;
type String Array is array (Integer range <>)
    of String_Ptr;
function String Element is new Element
   (T => String,
    Acc => String Ptr,
    Index => Integer,
    Arr => String Array);
```

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```
generic
   type T1 is (<>);
   type T2 (<>) is private;
procedure G
  (A : T1;
   B:T2);
Which is (are) legal instantiation(s)?
 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);
```

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type

```
generic
   type T1 is (<>);
   type T2 (<>) is private;
procedure G
  (A : T1;
   B:T2);
Which is (are) legal instantiation(s)?
 A procedure A is new G (String, Character);
 B. procedure B is new G (Character, Integer);
 c procedure C is new G (Integer, Boolean);
 procedure D is new G (Boolean, String);
T1 must be discrete - so an integer or an enumeration. T2 can be any
```

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Generic Formal Data

Generic Formal Data

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Generic Constants/Variables As Parameters

- Variables can be specified on the generic contract
- The mode specifies the way the variable can be used:
 - \blacksquare in \rightarrow read only
 - \blacksquare in out \rightarrow read write
- Generic variables can be defined after generic types

```
    Generic package

  generic
    type Element_T is private;
    Array Size
                    : Positive:
    High_Watermark : in out Element_T;
  package Repository is
Generic instance
     : Float:
  Max : Float:
  procedure My_Repository is new Repository
    (Element_T
                    => Float.
     Array_size
                     => 10.
     High Watermark => Max):
```

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Generic Subprogram Parameters

- Subprograms can be defined in the generic contract
- Must be introduced by with to differ from the generic unit

```
generic
  type T is private;
   with function Less Than (L, R : T) return Boolean;
function Max (L. R : T) return T:
function Max (L. R : T) return T is
begin
   if Less Than (L, R) then
     return R:
   else
     return L:
   end if:
end Max:
type Something T is null record;
function Less Than (L, R: Something T) return Boolean;
procedure My Max is new Max (Something T, Less Than);
```

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Generic Subprogram Parameters Defaults

- is <> matching subprogram is taken by default
- is null null procedure is taken by default
 - Only available in Ada 2005 and later

```
generic
 type T is private;
 with function Is Valid (P : T) return Boolean is <>;
 with procedure Error Message (P : T) is null;
procedure Validate (P : T);
function Is_Valid_Record (P : Record_T) return Boolean;
procedure My Validate is new Validate (Record T,
                                       Is Valid Record);
-- Is_Valid maps to Is_Valid_Record
-- Error_Message maps to a null procedure
```

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```
generic
   type Element T is (<>);
   Last : in out Element T:
procedure Write (P : Element T);
Numeric : Integer;
Enumerated : Boolean:
Floating Point : Float;
Which of the following piece(s) of code is (are) legal?
 A procedure Write A is new Write (Integer, Numeric)
 B procedure Write B is new Write (Boolean, Enumerated)
 c procedure Write_C is new Write (Integer, Integer'Pos
    (Numeric))
 D procedure Write D is new Write (Float,
   Floating Point)
```

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```
generic
   type Element T is (<>);
   Last : in out Element T:
procedure Write (P : Element T);
Numeric : Integer;
Enumerated : Boolean:
Floating Point : Float:
Which of the following piece(s) of code is (are) legal?
 A procedure Write_A is new Write (Integer, Numeric)
 B procedure Write B is new Write (Boolean, Enumerated)
 procedure Write C is new Write (Integer, Integer'Pos
    (Numeric))
 procedure Write D is new Write (Float,
    Floating Point)
 A. Legal
 B. Legal
 The second generic parameter has to be a variable
 ■ The first generic parameter has to be discrete
```

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```
Given the following generic function:
generic
   type Some_T is private;
   with function "+" (L : Some T; R : Integer) return Some T is <>;
function Incr (Param : Some T) return Some T;
function Incr (Param : Some T) return Some T is
begin
   return Param + 1;
end Incr:
And the following declarations:
type Record T is record
  Component : Integer:
end record;
function Add (L : Record T; I : Integer) return Record T is
   ((Component => L.Component + I))
function Weird (L : Integer; R : Integer) return Integer is (0);
Which of the following instantiation(s) is/are not legal?
 M function IncrA is new Incr (Integer, Weird);
 function IncrB is new Incr (Record T, Add);
 function IncrC is new Incr (Record_T);
 D function IncrD is new Incr (Integer);
```

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is found

Quiz

```
Given the following generic function:
generic
   type Some T is private;
   with function "+" (L : Some T; R : Integer) return Some T is <>;
function Incr (Param : Some T) return Some T;
function Incr (Param : Some T) return Some T is
begin
   return Param + 1;
end Incr:
And the following declarations:
type Record T is record
   Component : Integer:
end record;
function Add (L : Record T; I : Integer) return Record T is
   ((Component => L.Component + I))
function Weird (L : Integer: R : Integer) return Integer is (0):
Which of the following instantiation(s) is/are not legal?
 function IncrA is new Incr (Integer, Weird);
 function IncrB is new Incr (Record T, Add);
 function IncrC is new Incr (Record T):
 m function IncrD is new Incr (Integer):
with function "+" (L : Some T: R : Integer) return Some T is <>:
indicates that if no function for + is passed in, find (if possible) a
matching definition at the point of instantiation.
 Weird matches the subprogram profile, so Incr will use Weird
    when doing addition for Integer
 B. Add matches the subprogram profile, so Incr will use Add when
    doing the addition for Record T
 There is no matching + operation for Record T, so that
    instantiation fails to compile
 Because there is no parameter for the generic formal parameter +.
    the compiler will look for one in the scope of the instantiation.
```

Because the instantiating type is numeric, the inherited + operator

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Generic Completion

Generic Completion

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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

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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;
```

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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;
```

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```
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) legal 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)
```

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```
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) legal 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)
```

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Genericity Lab

■ Requirements

- Create a record structure containing multiple components
 - Need subprograms to convert the record to a string, and compare the order of two records
 - Lab prompt package Data_Type contains a framework
- Create a generic list implementation
 - Need subprograms to add items to the list, sort the list, and print the list
- The main program should:
 - Add many records to the list
 - Sort the list
 - Print the list

Hints

- Sort routine will need to know how to compare elements
- Print routine will need to know how to print one element

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Genericity Lab Solution - Generic (Spec)

```
generic
      type Element T is private;
      Max Size : Natural:
      with function ">" (L, R : Element T) return Boolean is <>;
      with function Image (Element : Element T) return String;
   package Generic_List is
      type List T is private;
9
      procedure Add (This : in out List T;
10
                                    Element T):
                      Item : in
11
      procedure Sort (This : in out List_T);
12
      procedure Print (List : List T);
13
14
   private
15
      subtype Index T is Natural range 0 .. Max Size;
16
      type List Array T is array (1 .. Index T'Last) of Element T:
17
18
      type List T is record
19
         Values : List_Array_T;
20
         Length : Index T := 0;
21
      end record:
22
   end Generic_List;
```

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Genericity Lab Solution - Generic (Body)

```
with Ada. Text io: use Ada. Text IO:
   package body Generic_List is
      procedure Add (This : in out List T;
                     Ttem : in
                                   Element T) is
      begin
         This.Length
                                   := This.Length + 1:
         This. Values (This. Length) := Item;
      end Add:
10
      procedure Sort (This : in out List T) is
         Temp : Element_T;
      begin
         for I in 1 .. This.Length loop
            for J in 1 .. This.Length - I loop
               if This. Values (J) > This. Values (J + 1) then
                                      := This.Values (J);
                  This. Values (J)
                                     := This.Values (J + 1):
                  This. Values (J + 1) := Temp:
               end if:
            end loop;
         end loop;
      end Sort:
25
      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:
32 end Generic_List;
```

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Genericity Lab Solution - Main

```
with Data Type:
   with Generic List:
   procedure Main is
      package List is new Generic List (Element T => Data Type.Record T,
                                        Max Size => 20.
                                                  => Data Type.">".
                                        Image => Data_Type.Image);
      My List : List.List T;
      Element : Data Type.Record T;
10
12
   begin
      List.Add (My_List, (Integer_Component => 111,
                          Character Component => 'a'));
14
      List.Add (My List, (Integer Component => 111,
                          Character Component => 'z')):
      List.Add (My_List, (Integer_Component => 111,
                          Character_Component => 'A'));
      List.Add (My List, (Integer Component => 999,
19
                          Character Component => 'B'));
20
      List.Add (My List, (Integer Component => 999,
                          Character Component => 'Y')):
      List.Add (My_List, (Integer_Component => 999,
23
                          Character_Component => 'b'));
      List.Add (My List, (Integer Component => 112,
25
                          Character Component => 'a'));
26
      List.Add (My List. (Integer Component => 998.
                          Character Component => 'z')):
29
      List.Sort (My List);
30
      List.Print (My List);
32 end Main;
```

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Summary

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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);
```

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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

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Ada Contracts

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Introduction

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Design-By-Contract

- Source code acting in roles of client and supplier under a binding contract
 - Contract specifies requirements or guarantees
 - "A specification of a software element that affects its use by potential clients." (Bertrand Meyer)
 - Supplier provides services
 - Guarantees specific functional behavior
 - Has requirements for guarantees to hold
 - Client utilizes services
 - Guarantees supplier's conditions are met
 - Requires result to follow the subprogram's guarantees

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Ada Contracts

- Ada contracts include enforcement
 - At compile-time: specific constructs, features, and rules
 - At run-time: language-defined and user-defined exceptions
- Facilities as part of the language definition
 - Range specifications
 - Parameter modes
 - Generic contracts
 - OOP interface types
 - Work well, but on a restricted set of use-cases
- Contract aspects to be more expressive
 - Carried by subprograms
 - ... or by types (seen later)
 - Can have arbitrary conditions, more versatile

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Assertion

- Boolean expression expected to be True
- Said to hold when True
- Language-defined pragma
 - The Ada. Assertions. Assert subprogram can wrap it

 Raises language-defined Assertion_Error exception if expression does not hold

```
package Ada.Assertions is
   Assertion_Error : exception;
   procedure Assert (Check : in Boolean);
   procedure Assert (Check : in Boolean; Message : in String);
end Ada.Assertions;
```

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Defensive Programming

■ Should be replaced by subprogram contracts when possible

```
procedure Push (S : Stack) is
    Entry_Length : constant Positive := Length (S);
begin
    pragma Assert (not Is_Full (S)); -- entry condition
[...]
    pragma Assert (Length (S) = Entry_Length + 1); -- exit condition
end Push;
```

- Subprogram contracts are an assertion mechanism
 - Not a drop-in replacement for all defensive code

```
procedure Force_Acquire (P : Peripheral) is
begin
  if not Available (P) then
    -- Corrective action
    Force_Release (P);
    pragma Assert (Available (P));
  end if;

Acquire (P);
end:
```

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- A. Contract principles apply only to newer versions of the language
- B. Contract should hold even for unique conditions and corner cases
- Contract principles were first implemented in Ada
- You cannot be both supplier and client

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- A. Contract principles apply only to newer versions of the language
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- Contract principles were first implemented in Ada
- You cannot be both supplier and client

Explanations

- No, but design-by-contract aspects were fully integrated into Ada 2012
- B. Yes, special case should be included in the contract
- No, in eiffel, in 1986!
- D. No, in fact you are always **both**, even the Main has a caller!

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- A Assertions can be used in declarations
- B. Assertions can be used in expressions
- Any corrective action should happen before contract checks
- Assertions must be checked using pragma Assert

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- A. Assertions can be used in declarations
- B. Assertions can be used in expressions
- Any corrective action should happen before contract checks
- Assertions must be checked using pragma Assert

Explanations

- A. Will be checked at elaboration
- B. No assertion expression, but raise expression exists
- Exceptions as flow-control adds complexity, prefer a proactive if to a (reactive) exception handler
- You can call Ada. Assertions. Assert, or even directly raise Assertion Error

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- Defensive coding is a good practice
- B. Contracts can replace all defensive code
- Contracts are executable constructs
- Having exhaustive contracts will prevent runtime errors

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Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

- A Defensive coding is a good practice
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- Contracts are executable constructs
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Explanations

- A Principles are sane, contracts extend those
- B. See previous slide example
- c. e.g. generic contracts are resolved at compile-time
- A failing contract will cause a runtime error, only extensive (dynamic / static) analysis of contracted code may provide confidence in the absence of runtime errors (AoRTE)

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Preconditions and Postconditions

Preconditions and Postconditions

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Subprogram-based Assertions

- Explicit part of a subprogram's specification
 - Unlike defensive code
- Precondition
 - Assertion expected to hold **prior to** subprogram call
- Postcondition
 - Assertion expected to hold after subprogram return
- Requirements and guarantees on both supplier and client
- Syntax uses aspects

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Requirements / Guarantees: Quiz

■ Given the following piece of code

```
procedure Start is
begin
    ...
    Turn_On;
    ...

procedure Turn_On
with Pre => Has_Power,
    Post => Is_On;
```

■ Complete the table in terms of requirements and guarantees

```
Client (Start) Supplier (Turn_On)
Pre (Has_Power)
Post (Is_On)
```

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Requirements / Guarantees: Quiz

■ Given the following piece of code

```
procedure Start is
begin
    ...
    Turn_On;
    ...

procedure Turn_On
with Pre => Has_Power,
    Post => Is_On;
```

■ Complete the table in terms of requirements and guarantees

	Client (Start)	Supplier (Turn_On)
Pre (Has_Power)	Requirement	Guarantee
Post (Is_On)	Guarantee	Requirement

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Examples

```
package Stack_Pkg is
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer) with
        Pre => not Full,
        Post => not Empty and then Top = Item;
  procedure Pop (Item : out Integer) with
        Pre => not Empty,
        Post => not Full;
  function Pop return Integer with
        Pre => not Empty,
        Post => not Full;
  function Top return Integer with
        Pre => not Empty:
  function Empty return Boolean:
  function Full return Boolean:
end Stack Pkg:
package body Stack Pkg is
  Values : array (1 .. 100) of Integer:
  Current : Natural := 0:
  procedure Push (Item : in Integer) is
  begin
     Current
                      := Current + 1;
     Values (Current) := Item:
  end Push:
  procedure Pop (Item : out Integer) is
           := Values (Current):
     Current := Current - 1;
  end Pop:
  function Pop return Integer is
     Item : constant Integer := Values (Current):
     Current := Current - 1:
     return Item:
  end Pop;
  function Top return Integer is (Values (Current));
  function Empty return Boolean is (Current not in Values'Range);
  function Full return Boolean is (Current >= Values'Length);
end Stack_Pkg;
```

Preconditions

- Define obligations on client for successful call
 - Precondition specifies required conditions
 - Clients must meet precondition for supplier to succeed
- Boolean expressions
 - Arbitrary complexity
 - Specified via aspect name Pre
- Checked prior to call by client
 - Assertion_Error raised if false

```
procedure Push (This : in out Stack; Value : Content)
  with Pre => not Full (This);
```

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Postconditions

- Define obligations on supplier
 - Specify guaranteed conditions after call
- Boolean expressions (same as preconditions)
 - Specified via aspect name Post
- Content as for preconditions, plus some extras
- Checked after corresponding subprogram call
 - Assertion_Error raised if false

```
procedure Push (This : in out Stack; Value : Content)
  with Pre => not Full (This),
      Post => not Empty (This) and Top (This) = Value;
...
function Top (This : Stack) return Content
  with Pre => not Empty (This);
```

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Postcondition 'Old Attribute

- Values as they were just before the call
- Uses language-defined attribute 'Old
 - Can be applied to most any visible object
 - limited types are forbidden
 - May be expensive
 - Expression can be arbitrary
 - Typically out, in out parameters and globals

```
procedure Increment (This : in out Integer) with
   Pre => This < Integer'Last,
   Post => This = This'Old + 1;
```

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Function Postcondition 'Result Attribute

■ function result can be manipulated with 'Result

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Preconditions and Postconditions Example

Multiple aspects separated by commas

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```
function Area (L : Positive; H : Positive) return Positive is (L * H) with Pre => ?
```

Which pre-condition is necessary for Area to calculate the correct result for all values L and H?

- A. L > 0 and H > 0
- B. L < Positive'Last and H < Positive'Last
- C. L * H in Positive
- D. None of the above

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```

Which pre-condition is necessary for Area to calculate the correct result for all values L and H?

- A. L > 0 and H > 0
- BL < Positive'Last and H < Positive'Last
- C. L * H in Positive
- **D.** None of the above

Explanations

- Parameters are Positive, so this is unnecessary
- B. Overflow for large numbers
- Classic trap: the check itself may cause an overflow!

The correct precondition would be Integer'Last / L <= H</pre>

to prevent overflow errors on the range check.

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Given the following expressions, what is their value if they are evaluated in the postcondition of the call Set_And_Move (-1, 10)

```
Database 'Old (Index)
Database (Index`Old)
Database (Index)'Old
```

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Given the following expressions, what is their value if they are evaluated in the postcondition of the call Set_And_Move (-1, 10)

```
Database 'Old (Index) 11 Use new index in copy of original Database

Database (Index`Old) -1 Use copy of original index in current Database

Database (Index)'Old 10 Evaluation of Database (Index) before call
```

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Separations of Concerns

■ Pre and Post fit together

```
function Val return Integer
with Post => F'Result /= 0
is (if Val_Raw > 0 then Val_Raw else 1);
procedure Process (I : Integer)
with Pre => I /= 0
is (Set_Output (10 / I));
[...]
```

Process (Val);

- Review of interface: guaranteed to work
 - What is returned by Val is always valid for Process
 - Need to check implementations
- Review of implementation
 - Val always returns a value that is /= 0
 - Process accepts any value that is /= 0
- Great separation of concerns
 - a team (Clients) could be in charge of reviewing the interface part
 - another team (Suppliers) could be in charge of reviewing the implementation part
 - both would use the contracts as a common understanding
 - Tools can do an automated review / validation: GNAT STATIC ANALYSIS SUITE, SPARK

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No Secret Precondition Requirements

- Client should be able to guarantee them
- Enforced by the compiler

```
package P is
  function Foo return Bar
  with Pre => Hidden; -- illegal private reference
private
  function Hidden return Boolean;
end P;
```

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Postconditions Are Good Documentation

```
procedure Reset
    (Unit : in out DMA Controller;
     Stream : DMA Stream Selector)
  with Post =>
    not Enabled (Unit, Stream) and
    Operating_Mode (Unit, Stream) = Normal_Mode and
    Selected_Channel (Unit, Stream) = Channel 0 and
    not Double Buffered (Unit, Stream) and
    Priority (Unit, Stream) = Priority_Low and
    (for all Interrupt in DMA_Interrupt =>
        not Interrupt_Enabled (Unit, Stream, Interrupt));
```

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Contracts Code Reuse

- Contracts are about usage and behaviour
 - Not optimization
 - Not implementation details
 - Abstraction level is typically high
- Extracting them to function is a good idea
 - Code as documentation, executable specification
 - Completes the interface that the client has access to
 - Allows for code reuse

- A function may be unavoidable
 - Referencing private type components

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Assertion Policy

■ Fine granularity over assertion kinds and policy identifiers

https://docs.adacore.com/gnat_rm-docs/html/gnat_rm/gnat_rm/implementation_defined_pragmas.html#pragma-assertion-policy

- Certain advantage over explicit checks which are harder to disable
 - Conditional compilation via global constant Boolean

```
procedure Push (This : in out Stack; Value : Content) is
begin
  if Debugging then
   if Full (This) then
     raise Overflow;
  end if;
end if;
```

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Type Invariants

Type Invariants

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Strong Typing

Ada supports strong typing

```
type Small_Integer_T is range -1_000 .. 1_000;
type Enumerated_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);
type Array_T is array (1 .. 3) of Boolean;
```

- What if we need stronger enforcement?
 - Number must be even
 - Subset of non-consecutive enumerals
 - Array should always be sorted

■ Type Invariant

- Property of type that is always true on **external** reference
- Guarantee to client, similar to subprogram postcondition

Subtype Predicate

- Property of type that is always true, unconditionally
- Can add arbitrary constraints to a type, unlike the "basic" type system

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Examples

package Bank is

```
type Account T is private with Type Invariant => Consistent Balance (Account T);
   type Currency T is delta 0.01 digits 12;
   function Consistent Balance (This : Account T) return Boolean;
   procedure Open (This : in out Account T; Initial Deposit : Currency T);
private
   type Vector T is array (1 .. 100) of Currency T:
   type Transaction Vector T is record
      Values : Vector T:
      Count : Natural := 0;
   end record;
   type Account T is record -- initial state MUST satisfy invariant
      Current Balance : Currency T := 0.0;
      Withdrawals : Transaction Vector T;
      Deposits
                     : Transaction Vector T:
   end record:
end Bank:
package body Bank is
   function Total (This : Transaction Vector T) return Currency T is
      Result : Currency T := 0.0;
   begin
      for I in 1 .. This. Count loop -- no iteration if list empty
        Result := Result + This. Values (I):
      end loop:
      return Result:
   end Total:
   function Consistent Balance (This : Account T) return Boolean is
      (Total (This.Deposits) - Total (This.Withdrawals) = This.Current Balance);
   procedure Open (This : in out Account T; Initial Deposit : Currency T) is
      This.Current_Balance := Initial_Deposit;
      -- if we checked, the invariant would be false here!
      This.Withdrawals.Count := 0:
      This.Deposits.Count
                               := 1:
      This.Deposits.Values (1) := Initial Deposit:
   end Open; -- invariant is now true
end Bank;
```

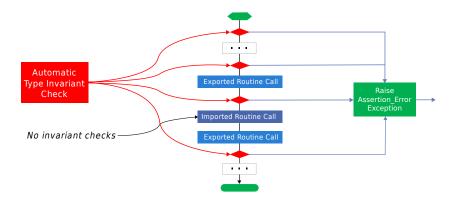
Type Invariant

- Applied to private types
- Evaluated as postcondition of creation, evaluation, or return object
 - When objects first created
 - Assignment by clients
 - Type conversions
 - Creates new instances
- Not evaluated on internal state changes
 - Internal routine calls
 - Internal assignments
- Remember these are abstract data types



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Invariant Over Object Lifetime (Calls)



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Example Type Invariant

- A bank account balance must always be consistent
 - Consistent Balance: Total Deposits Total Withdrawals = Balance

```
package Bank is
  type Account is private with
    Type Invariant => Consistent Balance (Account);
  . . .
  -- Called automatically for all Account objects
  function Consistent_Balance (This : Account)
    return Boolean;
  . . .
private
end Bank;
```

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Invariants Don't Apply Internally

- No checking within supplier package
 - Otherwise there would be no way to implement anything!
- Only matters when clients can observe state

```
procedure Open (This : in out Account;
                Name : in String;
                Initial Deposit : in Currency) is
begin
 This.Owner := To_Unbounded_String (Name);
  This.Current_Balance := Initial_Deposit;
  -- invariant would be false here!
 This.Withdrawals := Transactions.Empty Vector;
 This.Deposits := Transactions.Empty Vector;
  This.Deposits.Append (Initial Deposit);
  -- invariant is now true
end Open;
```

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```
package P is
   type Some T is private:
   procedure Do_Something (X : in out Some_T);
private
   function Counter (I : Integer) return Boolean:
   type Some T is new Integer with
      Type_Invariant => Counter (Integer (Some_T));
end P:
package body P is
   function Local Do Something (X : Some T)
                                return Some T is
      Z : Some_T := X + 1;
   begin
      return Z:
   end Local Do Something:
   procedure Do_Something (X : in out Some_T) is
   begin
      X := X + 1:
      X := Local_Do_Something (X);
   end Do_Something;
   function Counter (I : Integer)
                     return Boolean is
      (True):
end P:
```

If **Do_Something** is called from outside of P, how many times is **Counter** called?

- **A**. 1
- B. 2
- **C.** 3
- D. 4

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```
package P is
   type Some T is private:
   procedure Do_Something (X : in out Some_T);
private
   function Counter (I : Integer) return Boolean:
   type Some T is new Integer with
      Type_Invariant => Counter (Integer (Some_T));
end P:
package body P is
   function Local_Do_Something (X : Some_T)
                                return Some T is
      Z : Some_T := X + 1;
   begin
      return Z:
   end Local Do Something:
   procedure Do_Something (X : in out Some_T) is
   begin
      X := X + 1:
      X := Local_Do_Something (X);
   end Do_Something;
   function Counter (I : Integer)
                     return Boolean is
      (True):
end P:
```

If **Do_Something** is called from outside of P, how many times is **Counter** called?

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Type Invariants are only evaluated on entry into and exit from externally visible subprograms. So Counter is called when entering and exiting Do_Something - not Local_Do_Something, even though a new instance of Some_T is created

Subtype Predicates

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Examples

with Ada. Exceptions: use Ada. Exceptions:

```
with Ada.Text_IO; use Ada.Text_IO;
procedure Predicates is
  subtype Even_T is Integer with Dynamic_Predicate => Even_T mod 2 = 0;
  type Serial Baud Rate T is range 110 .. 115 200 with
     Static_Predicate => Serial_Baud_Rate_T in -- Non-contiguous range
         2 400 | 4 800 | 9 600 | 14 400 | 19 200 | 28 800 | 38 400 | 56 000;
  subtype Vowel_T is Character with Dynamic_Predicate =>
        (case Vowel T is when 'A' | 'E' | 'I' | '0' | 'U' => True, when others => False):
  type Table_T is array (Integer range <>) of Integer;
  subtype Sorted_Table_T is Table_T (1 .. 5) with
       Dynamic_Predicate =>
       (for all K in Sorted Table T'Range =>
          (K = Sorted Table T'First or else Sorted Table T (K - 1) <= Sorted Table T (K)):
         : Even T:
  Values : Sorted Table T := (1, 3, 5, 7, 9):
begin
  begin
     Put_Line ("J is" & J'Image);
     J := Integer'Succ (J); -- assertion failure here
     Put_Line ("J is" & J'Image);
     J := Integer'Succ (J); -- or maybe here
     Put Line ("J is" & J'Image):
  exception
     when The_Err : others =>
        Put Line (Exception Message (The Err)):
  for Baud in Serial Baud Rate T loop
     Put_Line (Baud'Image);
  end loop;
  Put_Line (Vowel_T'Image (Vowel_T'Succ ('A')));
  Put Line (Vowel T'Image (Vowel T'Pred ('Z'))):
     Values (3) := 0: -- not an exception
     Values
               := (1, 3, 0, 7, 9); -- exception
  exception
     when The Err : others =>
        Put Line (Exception Message (The Err)):
   end;
end Predicates:
```

Predicates

- Assertion expected to hold for all objects of given type
- Expressed as any legal boolean expression in Ada
 - Quantified and conditional expressions
 - Boolean function calls
- Two forms in Ada
 - Static Predicates
 - Specified via aspect named Static_Predicate
 - Dynamic Predicates
 - Specified via aspect named Dynamic_Predicate
- Can apply to type or subtype

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Why Two Predicate Forms?

	Static	Dynamic
Content	More Restricted	Less Restricted
Placement	Less Restricted	More Restricted

- Static predicates can be used in more contexts
 - More restrictions on content
 - Can be used in places Dynamic Predicates cannot
- Dynamic predicates have more expressive power
 - Fewer restrictions on content
 - Not as widely available

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Subtype Predicate Examples

Dynamic Predicate

```
subtype Even is Integer with Dynamic_Predicate =>
   Even mod 2 = 0; -- Boolean expression
   -- (Even indicates "current instance")
```

■ Static Predicate

```
type Serial_Baud_Rate is range 110 .. 115200
with Static_Predicate => Serial_Baud_Rate in
    -- Non-contiguous range
    110 | 300 | 600 | 1200 | 2400 | 4800 |
    9600 | 14400 | 19200 | 28800 | 38400 | 56000 |
    57600 | 115200:
```

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Predicate Checking

- Calls inserted automatically by compiler
- Violations raise exception Assertion_Error
 - When predicate does not hold (evaluates to False)
- Checks are done before value change
 - Same as language-defined constraint checks
- Associated variable is unchanged when violation is detected

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Predicate Expression Content

■ Reference to value of type itself, i.e., "current instance"

```
subtype Even is Integer
  with Dynamic_Predicate => Even mod 2 = 0;
J, K : Even := 42;
```

- Any visible object or function in scope
 - Does not have to be defined before use
 - Relaxation of "declared before referenced" rule of linear elaboration
 - Intended especially for (expression) functions declared in same package spec

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Static Predicates

- Static means known at compile-time, informally
 - Language defines meaning formally (RM 3.2.4)
- Allowed in contexts in which compiler must be able to verify properties
- Content restrictions on predicate are necessary
- Ordinary Ada static expressions
- Static membership test selected by current instance
- Example

```
type Serial Baud Rate is range 110 .. 115200
  with Static Predicate => Serial Baud Rate in
    -- Non-contiquous range
    110
            300
                    600
                             1200 L
                                     2400
                                              4800
                                                      9600 I
            19200
                    28800 l
                             38400
                                     56000
                                              57600
                                                      115200:
```

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Dynamic Predicate Expression Content

- Any arbitrary boolean expression
 - Hence all allowed static predicates' content
- Plus additional operators, etc.

```
subtype Even is Integer
  with Dynamic_Predicate => Even mod 2 = 0;
subtype Vowel is Character with Dynamic_Predicate =>
  (case Vowel is
   when 'A' | 'E' | 'I' | '0' | 'U' => True,
   when others => False); -- evaluated at run-time
```

- Plus calls to functions
 - User-defined
 - Language-defined

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Beware Accidental Recursion in Predicate

- Involves functions because predicates are expressions
- Caused by checks on function arguments
- Infinitely recursive example

```
type Sorted_Table is array (1 .. N) of Integer with
   Dynamic_Predicate => Sorted (Sorted_Table);
-- on call, predicate is checked!
function Sorted (T : Sorted_Table) return Boolean;
```

Non-recursive example

```
type Sorted_Table is array (1 .. N) of Integer with
  Dynamic_Predicate =>
  (for all K in Sorted_Table'Range =>
        (K = Sorted_Table'First
        or else Sorted_Table (K - 1) <= Sorted_Table (K)));</pre>
```

■ Type-based example

```
type Table is array (1 .. N) of Integer;
subtype Sorted_Table is Table with
        Dynamic_Predicate => Sorted (Sorted_Table);
function Sorted (T : Table) return Boolean;
```

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Quiz

```
type Days_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);
function Is_Weekday (D : Days_T) return Boolean is
   (D /= Sun and then D /= Sat):
Which of the following is a valid subtype predicate?
 A subtype T is Days T with
     Static Predicate => T in Sun | Sat;
 B subtype T is Days T with Static Predicate =>
      (if T = Sun or else T = Sat then True else False);
 C subtype T is Days_T with
     Static_Predicate => not Is_Weekday (T);
 D. subtype T is Days_T with
     Static Predicate =>
       case T is when Sat | Sun => True.
              when others => False:
```

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Quiz

```
type Days_T is (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat);
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      Static Predicate => T in Sun | Sat;
 B subtype T is Days T with Static Predicate =>
      (if T = Sun or else T = Sat then True else False);
 C subtype T is Days_T with
      Static_Predicate => not Is_Weekday (T);
 D. subtype T is Days_T with
      Static Predicate =>
        case T is when Sat | Sun => True.
              when others => False:
Explanations
 Correct
 B If statement not allowed in a predicate
 Function call not allowed in Static_Predicate (this would be
    OK for Dynamic_Predicate)
 Missing parentheses around case expression
```

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Summary

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Working with Type Invariants

- They are not completely foolproof
 - External corruption is possible
 - Requires dubious usage
- Violations are intended to be supplier bugs
 - But not necessarily so, since not always bullet-proof
- However, reasonable designs will be foolproof

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Type Invariants Vs Predicates

- Type Invariants are valid at external boundary
 - Useful for complex types type may not be consistent during an operation
- Predicates are like other constraint checks
 - Checked on declaration, assignment, calls, etc

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Contract-Based Programming Benefits

- Facilitates building software with reliability built-in
 - Software cannot work well unless "well" is carefully defined
 - Clarifies design by defining obligations/benefits
- Enhances readability and understandability
 - Specification contains explicitly expressed properties of code
- Improves testability but also likelihood of passing!
- Aids in debugging
- Facilitates tool-based analysis
 - Compiler checks conformance to obligations
 - Static analyzers (e.g., SPARK, GNAT Static Analysis Suite) can verify explicit preconditions and postconditions

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Tasking

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Introduction

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Concurrency Mechanisms

- Task
 - Active
 - Rendezvous: Client / Server model
 - Server entries
 - Client entry calls
 - Typically maps to OS threads
- Protected object
 - Passive
 - Monitors protected data
 - Restricted set of operations
 - Concurrency-safe semantics
 - No thread overhead
 - Very portable
- Object-Oriented
 - Synchronized interfaces
 - Protected objects inheritance

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A Simple Task

- Concurrent code execution via task

```
limited types (No copies allowed)
 procedure Main is
    task type Simple_Task_T;
    task body Simple_Task_T is
     begin
        loop
           delay 1.0;
           Put Line ("T");
        end loop:
     end Simple_Task_T;
     Simple Task : Simple Task T;
     -- This task starts when Simple_Task is elaborated
 begin
     loop
        delay 1.0;
        Put Line ("Main");
     end loop;
 end:
```

- A task is started when its declaration scope is elaborated
- Its enclosing scope exits when all tasks have finished

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Tasks

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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 ("receive " & S);
      end Receive_Message;
   end loop:
end Msg_Box_T;
T : Msg_Box_T;
```

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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
```

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Rendezvous with a Task

- 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

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Protected Objects

Protected Objects

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Protected Objects

- Multitask-safe accessors to get and set state
- No direct state manipulation
- No concurrent modifications
- limited types (No copies allowed)

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Protected: Functions and Procedures

- A function can get the state
 - Multiple-Readers
 - Protected data is read-only
 - Concurrent call to function is allowed
 - No concurrent call to procedure
- A procedure can set the state
 - Single-Writer
 - No concurrent call to either procedure or function
 - In case of concurrency, other callers get **blocked**
 - Until call finishes

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Example

```
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;
```

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Delays

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Delay Keyword

- delay keyword part of tasking
- Blocks for a time
- Relative: Blocks for at least Duration
- Absolute: Blocks until no earlier than Calendar. Time or Real_Time. Time

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Task and Protected Types

Task and Protected Types

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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
```

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Single Declaration

- Instantiate an anonymous task (or protected) type
- Declares an object of that type

```
task type Task T is
   entry Start;
end Task_T;
type Task_Ptr_T is access all Task_T;
task body Task T is
begin
   accept Start;
end Task T;
   V1 : Task_T;
   V2 : Task Ptr T;
begin
   V1.Start;
   V2 := new Task T;
   V2.all.Start;
```

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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;
```

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Some Advanced Concepts

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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 : " & V);
    end Receive Message;
  or
    accept Stop;
    exit;
  end select;
end loop;
T.Receive Message ("A");
T.Receive_Message ("B");
T.Stop;
```

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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 : " & V);
    end Receive_Message;
    or
        delay 50.0;
    Put_Line ("Don't wait any longer");
    exit;
    end select;
end loop;
```

Task will wait up to 50 seconds for Receive_Message. If no message is received, it will write to the console, and then restart the loop. (If the exit wasn't there, the loop would exit the first time no message was received.)

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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:
```

Procedure will wait up to 50 seconds for Receive_Message to be accepted before it gives up

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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:
```

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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

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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

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Lab

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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

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Tasking Lab Solution - Protected Object

```
with Task Type;
   package Protected Object is
      protected Monitor is
3
         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;
10
   package body Protected Object is
11
      protected body Monitor is
12
          procedure Set (Id : Task Type.Task Id T) is
         begin
14
            Value := Id;
         end Set;
16
         function Get return Task_Type.Task_Id_T is (Value);
17
      end Monitor:
18
   end Protected_Object;
```

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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:
                   : Task Id T;
      begin
         accept Start_Task (Task_Id
                                           : Task Id T;
                             Delay_Duration : Duration) do
            Wait Time := Delay Duration;
            Td
                      := Task Id;
         end Start Task:
         loop
21
            select
               accept Stop Task;
               exit:
            or
               delay Wait Time;
               Protected_Object.Monitor.Set (Id);
            end select;
         end loop;
      end Task T;
   end Task_Type;
```

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Tasking Lab Solution - Main

```
with Ada. Text IO; use Ada. Text IO;
with Protected_Object;
3 with Task_Type;
4 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);
10
      T2.Start Task (2 222, 0.5);
11
      T3.Start Task (3 333, 0.7):
12
13
      for Count in 1 .. 20 loop
14
         This Id := Protected Object.Monitor.Get;
15
         if Last Id /= This Id then
16
            Last Id := This Id;
            Put_Line (Count'Image & "> " & Last_Id'image);
18
         end if:
19
         delay 0.2;
20
      end loop;
21
22
      T1.Stop Task:
23
      T2.Stop Task;
24
      T3.Stop_Task;
26
27 end Main;
```

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Summary

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Summary

- Tasks are language-based concurrency mechanisms
 - Typically implemented as threads
 - Not necessarily for **truly** parallel operations
 - Originally for task-switching / time-slicing
- Multiple mechanisms to **synchronize** tasks
 - Delay
 - Rendezvous
 - Queues
 - Protected Objects

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Annex - Reference Materials

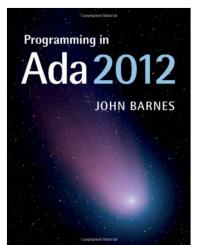
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General Ada Information

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Learning the Ada Language

■ Written as a tutorial for those new to Ada



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Reference Manual

- LRM Language Reference Manual (or just RM)
 - Always on-line (including all previous versions) at 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!

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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

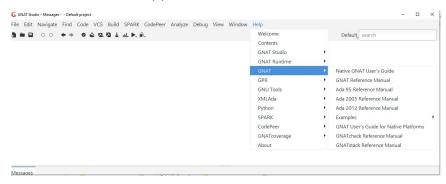
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GNAT-Specific Help

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Reference Manual

■ Reference Manual(s) available from GNAT STUDIO Help



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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

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Need More Help?

- If you have an AdaCore subscription:
 - Find out your customer number #XXXX
- Open a "Case" via the GNATtracker web interface and/or email
 - GNATtracker
 - Select "Create A New Case" from the main landing page
 - Email
 - Send to: support@adacore.com
 - Subject should read: #XXXX (descriptive text)
- Not just for "bug reports"
 - Ask questions, make suggestions, etc.

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