

CSc 520 — Principles of Programming Languages

14 : Types — Classification

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1 Enumerable Types

- Also called *discrete types* or *ordinal types*.
- Discrete types are countable, or 1-to-1 with the integers.
- Examples:
 1. *integer*
 2. *boolean*
 3. *char*
 4. *subranges*
 5. *enumeration types*

2 Scalar Types

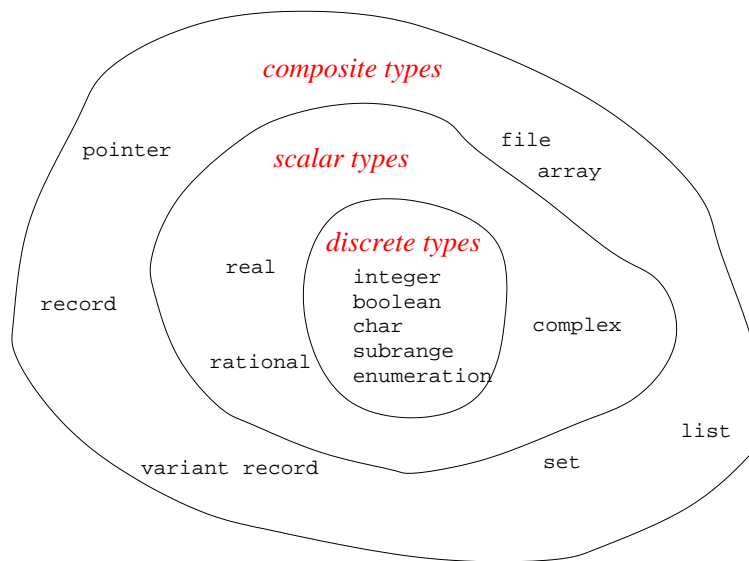
- Also called *simple types*.
- The scalar types include:
 1. *discrete types*
 2. *real*
 3. *rational*
 4. *complex*

3 Composite Types

- Also called *constructed types*.
- They are created by applying *type constructors* to other, simpler, types.
- The composite types include:

1. *records*
2. *variant records*
3. *arrays*
4. *sets*
5. *pointers*
6. *lists*
7. *files*

4 Types — Overview



5 Discreet Types — Enumerations

- Pascal, Ada, Modula-2, C have some variant of enumeration types.
- C's enumerations are just syntactic sugar for integer constants.
- In Pascal and Ada, enumerations are real types, incompatible with other types.
- In Ada and C, enumeration values can be user specified.

```

TYPE Color = (white,blue,yellow,green,red);
TYPE Fruits = (apple=4,pear=9,kumquat=99);
VAR A : ARRAY Color OF Fruit;
FOR c := white TO red DO
    IF c != yellow THEN A[c] := apple;

```

6 Discreet Types — Subranges

- Subranges can be used to force additional runtime checks.
- Some languages use subrange types as array index types.

```

TYPE S1 = [0..10];
TYPE S2 = ['a'..'z'];
TYPE Color = (white,blue,yellow,green,red);
TYPE S3 = [blue..green];
TYPE A = ARRAY S3 OF INTEGER;
VAR X : S3 := white; (* ← error *)

```

Structured Types

7 Arrays – Storage Layout

- Most languages lay out arrays in row-major order. FORTRAN uses column-major.

		0	A[1,1]		0	A[1,1]
		1	A[1,2]		1	A[2,1]
A[1,1]	A[1,2]	2	A[2,1]		2	A[3,1]
A[2,1]	A[2,2]	3	A[2,2]		3	A[4,1]
A[3,1]	A[3,2]	4	A[3,1]		4	A[1,2]
A[4,1]	A[4,2]	5	A[3,2]		5	A[2,2]
		6	A[4,1]		6	A[3,2]
		7	A[4,2]		7	A[4,2]
Matrix		Row Major		Column Major		

8 Array Indexing – 1 Dimensions

- How do we compute the address (L -value) of the n :th element of a 1-dimensional array?
- A_{elsz} is A 's element-size, A_{addr} is its base address.

```
VAR A : ARRAY [1 .. h] OF T;
```

$$\begin{aligned}
 L - \text{VAL}(A[i]) &\equiv A_{\text{addr}} + (i - l) * A_{\text{elsz}} \\
 &\equiv A_{\text{addr}} + (l * A_{\text{elsz}}) + i * A_{\text{elsz}} \\
 C &\equiv A_{\text{addr}} + (l * A_{\text{elsz}}) \\
 L - \text{VAL}(A[i]) &\equiv C + i * A_{\text{elsz}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Note that C can be computed at compile-time.

9 Array Indexing – 2 Dimensions

```
VAR A : ARRAY [l1..h1] [l2..h2] OF T;
```

$$\begin{aligned}
w_1 &\equiv h_1 - l_1 + 1 \\
w_2 &\equiv h_2 - l_2 + 1 \\
L - \text{VAL}(A[i_1, i_2]) &\equiv A_{\text{addr}} + ((i_1 - l_1) * w_2 + i_2 + l_2) * A_{\text{elsz}} \\
&\equiv A_{\text{addr}} + (i_1 * w_2 + i_2) * A_{\text{elsz}} - \\
&\quad (l_1 * w_2 - l_2) * A_{\text{elsz}} \\
C &\equiv A_{\text{addr}} - (l_1 * w_2 - l_2) * A_{\text{elsz}} \\
L - \text{VAL}(A[i_1, i_2]) &\equiv (i_1 * w_2 + i_2) * A_{\text{elsz}} + C
\end{aligned}$$

- C can be computed at compile-time.

10 Array Indexing – n Dimensions

VAR A : **ARRAY** [$l_1 \dots h_1$] ... [$l_n \dots h_n$] **OF** T;

$$w_k \equiv h_k - l_k + 1$$

$$C \equiv A_{\text{addr}} - ((\dots (l_1 * w_2 + l_2) * w_3 + l_3) \dots) * w_n + l_n) * A_{\text{elsz}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
L - \text{VAL}(A[i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n]) &\equiv \\
&((\dots (i_1 * w_2 + i_2) * w_3 + i_3) \dots) * w_n + i_n) * A_{\text{elsz}} + C
\end{aligned}$$

11 Record Types

- Pascal, C, Modula-2, Ada and other languages have **variant records** (C's **union type**):

```

TYPE R1 = RECORD tag : (red,blue,green);
               CASE tag OF
                 red : r : REAL; |
                 blue : i : INTEGER; |
                 ELSE c : CHAR;
               END;
END;

```

Depending on the **tag** value **R1** has a real, integer, or char field.

- The size of a variant part is the max of the sizes of its constituent fields.

12 Record Types...

- Oberon has **extensible** record types:

```

TYPE R3 = RECORD
    a : INTEGER;
END;
TYPE R4 = (R3) RECORD
    b : REAL;
END;

```

R4 has both the **a** and the **b** field.

- Extensible records are similar to classes in other languages.

13 Pointer Types

- In order to build recursive structures, most languages allow some way of declaring **recursive types**. These are necessary in order to construct linked structures such as lists and trees:

```

TYPE P = POINTER TO R;
TYPE R = RECORD
    data : INTEGER;
    next : P;
END;

```

- Note that P is declared before its use. Languages such as Pascal and C don't allow forward declarations, but make an exception for pointers.

14 Procedure Types

- C, Modula-2, and other languages support **procedure types**. You can treat the address of a procedure like any other object.
- Languages differ in whether they allow procedures whose address is taken to be nested or not. (Why?)

```

TYPE P = PROCEDURE(x:INTEGER; VAR Y:CHAR):REAL;
VAR z : P; VAR c : CHAR; VAR r : REAL;
PROCEDURE M (x:INTEGER; VAR Y:CHAR):REAL;
    BEGIN...END;
BEGIN
    z := M; /* z holds the address of M. */
    r := z(44,c);
END.

```

15 Class Types

- Java's classes are just pointer to record types. Some languages (Object Pascal, Oberon, MODULA-3) define classes just like records.
- Nore about classes later.

```

TYPE C1 = CLASS
    x : INTEGER;
    void M() { ... };
    void N() { ... };
END;
TYPE C2 = CLASS EXTENDS C1
    r : REAL; // Add another field.
    void M() { ... }; // Overrides C1.M
    void Q() { ... }; // Add another method.
END;

```

16 Set Types

- Pascal and Modula-2 support sets of ordinal types.
- Sets are implemented as bitvectors.
- Many implementations restrict the size of a set to 32 (the size of a machine word), or 256 (so you can declare a `set of char`).

```

type letset = set of 'A' .. 'z';
var x, y, z, w: letset;
begin
    x := ['A'..'Z','a']; y := ['a'..'z'];
    z := x + y; (* set union *)
    z := x * y; (* set intersection *)
    w := x - y; (* set difference *)
    if 'A' in z then ...; (* set membership *)
end.

```

17 Readings and References

- Read Scott, pp. 312-320,336-361.