

Types-2

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Type Equivalence

Structural equivalence

- **SE1: a type name is structurally equivalent to itself**
- **SE2: two types are structurally equivalent if they are formed by applying the same type constructor to two structurally equivalent types**
- **SE3: after type declaration `type n=T` the type name `n` is structurally equivalent to `T`**

Structural Equivalence

- Implies “same shape” type in a user-defined type

```
type S = array [0..99] of char
type T = array [0..99] of char
```

```
typedef struct{
  int j, int k, int *ptr}cell;
typedef struct{
  int n, int m, int *p}element;
```

Other Def'ns of Equivalence

T: type array [1..20] of int; *x,y,w,z,v are all the same type*

x,y: array [1..20] of int; *by structural equivalence*

w,z : T;

v: T;

Name equivalence:

Types are equivalent which have the same name or are formed by the same type expression.

x and y are of same type, w, z, v are of same type, but x and w are of different types!

Fine Points of Type Equiv.

- C/C++ use structural equivalence for all types except structs

```
type A = record
  x,y : real;
end;
type B = record
  z,w : real
end;
```

In C and Algol68, A and B not equivalent types because the fieldname is part of the type.

Algol68

- Explicitly typed, statically checkable PL
- Block structured, extensible type system
- *Objects* - entities stored in memory during execution of a program
 - *Mode of an object* - analogous to type
 - 1 is of *mode int*
- *Variable* - considered an L-value declared using the type of objects that can be assigned to it
 - *Mode of a variable* - *int k* means that *k* is of *mode ref int* and *k* can store *int* values.

A.Tanenbaum, Tutorial on Algol68, ACM Computing Surveys, June 1976, Vol 8 No 2 in SERC Reading Room

Algol68

- **Examples**

- Integer constant, *mode int* (1)
- Integer-valued variable, *mode ref int* (j)
- Well-typed assignment statement *lhs = rhs*
 - where *lhs* is convertible to an object of *mode ref int* and *rhs* is convertible to an object of *mode int*

```
int j,k,l; -- means all variables on list are mode ref int
j := 2;    -- j can store mode int objects
k := j+1;  -- + operator on mode int objects
k := j;    --dereference j to obtain 2 of mode int
```

- **Strings are primitive**

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Algol68 - Arrays

- **Vector (array) - one dimensional sequence of objects all having same mode**

```
[ ] int row of int
[ , ] real row row of real
```

- **Array type only includes dimensionality, not bounds**

```
[1:12] int month;[1:7] int day; mode row int
[0:10,0:10]real matrix;
[-4:10,6:9]real table mode row row int
```

Note table and matrix are type equivalent!

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Algol68 - Arrays

[1:10] [1:5,1:5] int kinglear;

/kinglear is a vector of 10 elements each of which is a *row row int* array of 25 elements.

kinglear[j] is legal wherever *[, jint* mode is legal

kinglear[j][1,2] is legal wherever *int* mode is legal

kinglear[1,2,3] is ILLEGAL!

Array Operations

- **Trimming:** yields some cross section of an original Algol68 array (slicing an array into subarrays)
- **Subscripting:** limiting 1 dimension to a single index value

[1:10]int a,b; [1:20] real x; [1:20,1:20] real xx;

b[1:4] := a[1:4] -- assigns 4 elements

b:= a -- assigns all of a to b, same as b[1:10]:=a[1:10]

xx[4,1:20]:=x --assigns 20 elements to row 4 of xx

xx[8:9,7] := x[1:2] --assigns x[1] to xx[8,7] and x[2] to xx[9,7]

Array Addressing

- $X[\text{low}:\text{high}]$ of E bytes each data item. What's the address of $X[j]$?

$$\text{addr}(X) + (j - \text{low}) * E \leq \text{addr}(X) + (\text{high} - \text{low}) * E$$

- Note: $\text{addr}(X) - \text{low} * E$ is a compile-time constant
- $X[]$ row real (4 bytes each);
- $X[3]$ is $\text{addr}(X[0]) + (3-0)*4 = \text{addr}(X) + 12$
- $X[0]$, $X[1]$ is at address $X[0]+4$, $X[2]$ is at address $X[0]+8$, etc

Array Addressing

- Assume arrays are stored in row major order $y[0,0]$, $y[0,1]$, $y[0,2]$, ..., $y[1,*]$, $y[2,*]$,...
- Consider memory a sequence of locations
- Then if have $y[\text{low1}:\text{hi1}, \text{low2}:\text{hi2}]$ in Algol68, location $y[j,k]$ is

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{addr}(y[\text{low1}, \text{low2}]) + (\text{hi2} - \text{low2} + 1) * E * (j - \text{low1}) \\ &+ (k - \text{low2}) * E \quad \quad \quad \text{\#locs per row} \quad \text{\#rows in front} \\ &\text{\# elements in row } j \text{ in} \quad \quad \quad \text{of row } j \\ &\text{front of element } [j,k] \end{aligned}$$

Example

$y[0:2, 0:5]$ in Algol68, an int array. Assume row major storage and find address of $y[1,3]$.

address of $y[1,3] = \text{addr}(y[0,0]) + (5-0+1)*4*(1-0) + (3-0)*4$

6 elements per row

1 row before row 1

3 elements in row 1 before 3

$= \text{addr}(y[0,0]) + 24 + 12$

$= \text{addr}(y[0,0]) + 36$

- Analogous formula holds for column major order.

Algol68 - User-defined Modes

- Similar to typedefs in C, but without pointers

```
mode vector = [1:n] real;
```

```
mode person = struct (string initials, int age, bool  
    married);
```

```
mode family = struct(person mom,dad; [1:2]person  
    child); //last is a row of person structs, child[1]  
    and child[2] are two different person structs.
```

```
mode tree = struct(int value, ref tree right, left);  
//recursive data structure is well-defined; couldn't  
    put tree field in tree mode, but ref tree field is  
    okay.
```

Example

```
person tom := ("tj", 40, true);
person mary := ("mah", 37, true);
family jones := (mary,tom,(skip,skip));
initials of mom of jones := "mhj";
if (age of mom of jones = age of data of jones)...
```

- Can define new operators on user-defined modes
- Can initialize such variables
- Can use component selection
- Equality comparisons use structural equivalence which includes the fieldnames

Type Unions

- **Idea: allow a variable to contain values of different types during execution**
 - Pascal: variant records; C, Algol68: unions
- **Problem: with unions, how can we assure type-safe programs?**
 - Pascal and C are not safe.
 - Algol68 is type-safe!! Uses *discriminated unions*
- **Usually all versions of union use same storage**

Example

- **C:**

```
union{double f;int j} fi;  
...fi.f =3.14159;...printf("%d\n", fi.j); ...
```

- Means that `fi` sometimes contains int values and sometimes double values
- Can check all uses of union variables by runtime check of current type tag, as in PLs with implicit typing

- **Pascal: type tag tells which type value the variant contains but checking it is *optional*!**

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Discriminated Unions (Algol68)

```
union(int, real,bool) kitchensink;  
kitchensink := 3;  
kitchensink := 3.14;  
kitchensink := true;  
if random <.5 then kitchensink := 1  
    else kitchensink := 2.78  
  
fi;  
case kitchensink in  
(int j): print (("integer",j));  
(real r): print (("real",r));  
(bool b): print (("bool",b));  
esac;
```

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Problems with Unions

- **What is meaning of assignment to tag field without assignment to variant fields?**
 - **Ada: must change both value and tag together**
- **If tag not kept in record itself (Pascal), how can its value be checked?**
- **Should tag fields be required to be initialized?**
- **Component selection has to be runtime checked**

Why use Unions?

- **Simulate a logical shift on sequence of bits using a multiply or divide by 2 on an integer**
- **To allow structs with an initial portion that has essential information, followed by properties that vary per person represented (e.g., `has_children`, `#children`, `married`, `spouse_name`)**

Ref Mode

- Algol68 integer variables are of *mode ref int* (*reference to integer*)
- Assignment statement
ref int mode object := mode int object
 - Either side of assignment may need dereferencing to obtain right mode. (However, implicit dereferencing of the rhs is not performed in Algol68)
 - Algol68 does allow **more than one** automatic dereference on rhs, whereas Pascal and C each allow only 1.
 - `int j,k; j:=k;` dereference k to get *mode int* object

Legal Assignments

- Let level be #refs in mode of a variable
 - declarations: `int j; ref int p;`
 - j is *ref int mode*, p is *ref ref int mode*
 - `level(3) = 0; level(j) = 1; level(p) = 2`
- Consider an assignment `lhs := rhs`
 - ***level(lhs) <= level(rhs)+1*** for a legal assignment
 - `int j,k; ref int q; j:=k;k:=q;q:=j;q:=1;`
 - `level(j)=level(k)=1`, so `level(j)=1 <= 1+1` *okay*
 - `level(k)=1,level(q)=2`, so `level(k) <= 2+1` *okay*
 - `level(q)=2,level(j)=1`, so `level(q)=2 <= 1 + 1` *okay*
 - `level(q)=2,level(1)=0`, so is `2 <= 0+1`? *NO*

Example

```

int j,k;
ref int ptr, sptr;
ref ref int pp;
ptr := j;  --level(ptr)=2,level(j)=1, 2=1+1 no deref
j := pp;   --level(j)=1,level(pp)=3, 1<3+1=4, dereference necessary
k := j;    --level(j)=1, level(k)=1, 1< 1+1 dereference necessary

```

Diagram illustrating pointer relationships:

- `ptr` points to `j`.
- `pp` points to a box containing `4`, which points to another box containing `4`, which points to a third box containing `4`.
- `j` points to a box containing `4`.

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Example

```

int x,y; ref int rx,ry;
ref ref int rrx,rry;
x:=1; y:=2;
x:= y; --1 deref needed
rx := y; --no deref needed
rrx := rx; --no deref needed
rry := y; --illegal!
ry := rrx; --2 derefs needed

```

Diagram illustrating variable values and pointer relationships:

- `x` = 1, `y` = 2
- `rx` points to `y`
- `rrx` points to `rx`
- `rry` points to `y`
- `ry` points to `rrx`, which points to `rx`, which points to `y`

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Ref Mode

- What would happen in a PL which did no automatic dereferencing on the rhs of assignments?
 - You would need to explicitly encode all dereferences
- Can you think of an assignment that is legal in Algol68 but not in C?
 - C *int ** pointers correspond to *ref ref int* variables
 - & operator prevents automatic dereferencing on rhs of assignment

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Allowing LHS Dereferences

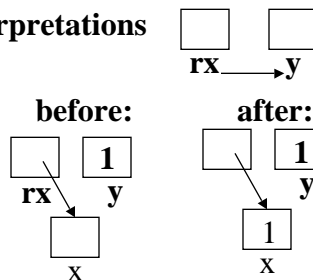
- In C, `int *rx; int y; *rx = y;` is legal; Can we achieve this in Algol68 without an explicit dereference operator?

`ref int rx; int y`

`rx := y` might have 2 interpretations

1. no dereferencing on lhs

2. deref both lhs, rhs once



Which is meant? Can't tell.

Need to use an explicit cast

`ref int (rx):=y` forces `rx`, a *mode ref ref int* variable, to be dereferenced once to become a *mode ref int* variable

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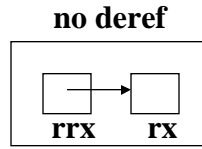
Allowing LHS Dereferences

- Another example

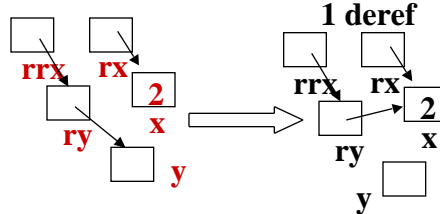
rrx := rx

--3 interpretations possible

1. no dereferences



2. 1 deref of rhs and lhs



3. 2 derefs of rhs and lhs

