## Session #2

REFACTORING AND SERIALIZATION

## Agenda for today

- Recap on Week #1 and homework
- ▶ Revisiting some concepts and introducing a few new
- Demo
- ▶ Food
- Everybody codes

#### Master Class #2

After this session (and the accompanying homework) you should know:

- ▶ Static vs Instance
- Lists, Interfaces and IEnumerables
- Better understanding of LINQ
- Referencing projects and managing dependencies in Visual Studio
- Using Nuget to find and include a package
- Serializing an object

#### Enums

- ▶ A value type.
- ► The **enum** is used to declare a list of named integer constants

```
4 references

public enum Suits

{
    Spades,
    Hearts,
    Clubs,
    Diamonds
}
```

#### Static vs Instance

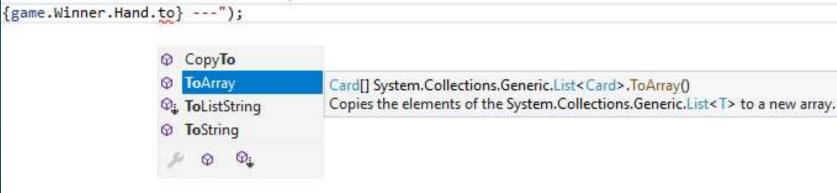
- Static methods can be called without an instantiated object: var x=mytype.MyStaticMethod();
- Static methods can only access static fields and properties.
- Static classes cannot be instantiated, its static members are accessed directly under the type name.

- Non-static methods can only be called on an instantiated object: mytype obj=new mytype(); var x=obj.MyMethod();
- Non-static methods can access members and properties on the same object and use 'this'.
- Non-static classes can be instantiated (if they are not abstract). They can also contain static members though.

#### Extension Methods

Static classes can hold static extension methods for non-static classes:

```
public static string ToListString(this IEnumerable<Card> cards)
{
    return string.Join(",", cards);
}
{game.Winner.Hand.to} ---");
```



### Generics

Generics allow you to define a class with placeholders for the type of its fields, methods, parameters, etc. Generics replace these placeholders with some specific type at compile time

```
class MyGenericClass<T>
{
    private T genericMemberVariable;

    public MyGenericClass(T value)
    {
        genericMemberVariable = value;
    }

    public T genericMethod(T genericParameter)
    {
        Console.WriteLine("Parameter type: {0}, value: {1}", typeof(T).ToString(),genericParameter);
        Console.WriteLine("Return type: {0}, value: {1}", typeof(T).ToString(), genericMemberVariable);
        return genericMemberVariable;
    }

    public T genericProperty { get; set; }
}
```

```
MyGenericClass<int> intGenericClass = new MyGenericClass<int>(10);
int val = intGenericClass.genericMethod(200);
```

https://www.tutorialsteacher.com/csharp/csharp-generics

#### Interfaces

- An interface contains definitions for a group of related functionalities that a nonabstract <u>class</u> or a <u>struct</u> must implement.
- ► An **interface** is like an abstract base class with only abstract members. ...
- ▶ An **interface** can't be instantiated directly. ...
- Interfaces can contain events, indexers, methods, and properties.
- ▶ Interfaces contain no implementation of methods (In C# 8.0, Interfaces can have default implementation for methods).

```
1 reference
public interface IGame
    5 references
    Player CurrentPlayer { get; }
    6 references
    int CurrentTurn { get; set; }
    9 references
    Deck Deck { get; set; }
    10 references
    List<Player> Players { get; set; }
    4 references
    GameState State { get; set; }
    14 references
    List<Card> Table { get; set; }
    5 references
    Player Winner { get; set; }
    3 references
    bool EvaluateIfGameOver(bool called);
    3 references
    bool NextTurn();
```

```
1 reference
public interface ISerializableGame
{
    2 references
    string SerializeGame();
}
```

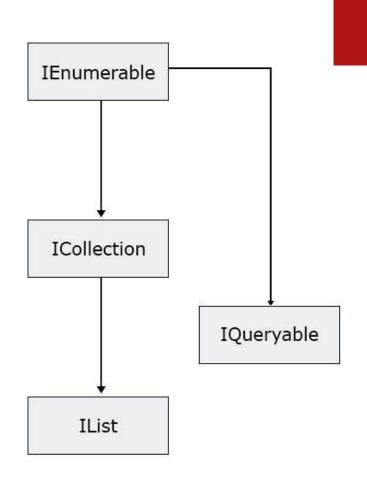
```
13 references
public class Game : IGame, ISerializableGame
{
```

```
//Game implementation
IGame game = new Game();
```

#### **IEnumerable**

- ► IEnumerable: GetNext()
- ► ICollection:
  - + Add/Delete/count
- ► IList:
  - + Insert/RemoveAt/...
- ► Arrays are IEnumerables

https://medium.com/developersarena/ienumerable-vs-icollection-vsilist-vs-iqueryable-in-c-2101351453db



**INHERITANCE** 

LINQ

LINQ is a libary used to execute queries directly in C# syntax against many types of data. It is implemented as a set of **extension methods** on the IEnumerable<T> interface.

### Classic vs LINQ query

```
Get the names of the students on the list who is over 18 classic approach:

List<string> AdultStudents=new
List<string>();

foreach(var s in Students){

    if(s.Age>18)
        AdultStudents.Add(s.Name);
}
```

```
Get the names of students on the list who is over 18 LINQ approach:

List<string> AdultStudents=
    Students

.Where(s => s.Age>18)

.Select(s => s.Name)

.ToList();
```

### Console Example



# Code reuse

## Class Libraries and Linking



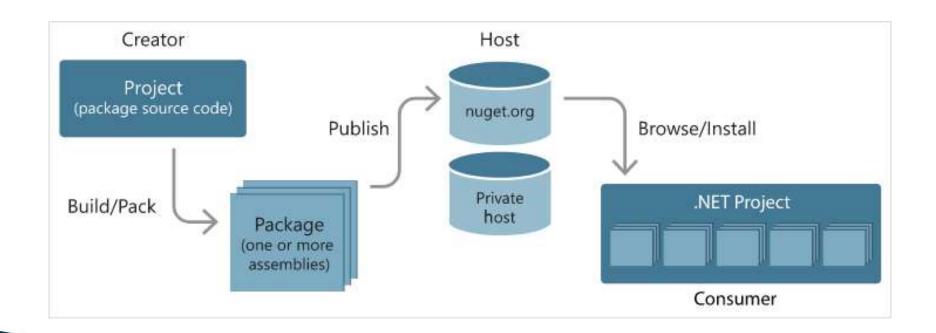
A class library is a library of code



It typically compiles to a .dll file (dynamic linked library)



You can link it, by referencing it, in other projects

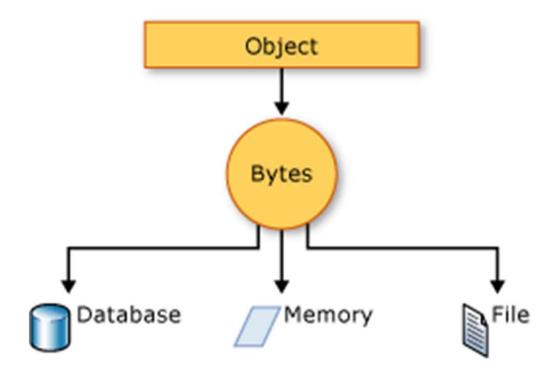


## Nuget packages

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/nuget/what-is-nuget

#### Serialization

- ➤ To serialize is to turn an object into bytes so it can be transported or stored.
- Json is often used, so is xml or csv





#### Homework after session #2

- ► Reorganize and refactor code into class library
- Use Newtonsoft. Json nuget package
- Serialize / deserialize games
- ▶ Try it out