





What & Why Functional Programming

Algebraic Data Type

Real! World example!!

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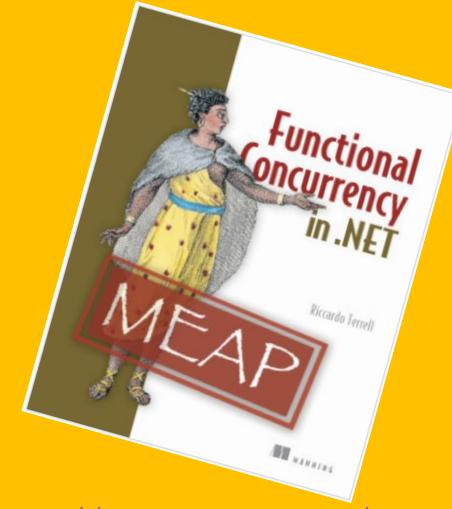






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Functional Programming

- declarative
- functions as values
- side-effects free

- referential transparency
- immutable
- composition

... but why? ... why FP?



There are four primary reasons for FP's newly established popularity:

- FP offers concurrency/parallelism without tears
- FP has succinct, concise, understandable syntax
- FP offers a different programming perspective
- 4. FP is becoming more accessible



It's really clear that the imperative style of programming has run its course. ... We're sort of done with that. ... However, in the declarative realm we can speculate a 10x improvement in productivity in certain domains.

-Anders Heilsberg
C# Architect

(from his MIX07 keynote)

FP Preachings!

Avoid Side-Effects!

Do not modify variables passed to them

Do not modify any global variable

Avoid Mutation



Reasoning about your code

```
int Sum(List<int> values) { ... }
List<int> values = new List<int>{ 1,2,3,4,5 };
int result1 = Sum(values);  // 15
int result2 = Sum(values);  // ??
```

Reasoning about your code

```
int Sum(List<int> values) {
      int sum = 0;
      for (int i = 0; i < arr.Length; i++) {
            sum += values[i];
            values[i] = 0;
```

Reasoning about your code

```
int Sum(List<int> values) { ... }
List<int> values = new List<int>{ 1,2,3,4,5 };
int result1 = Sum(values); // 15
                          // 33
int result2 = Sum(values);
int Sum(IEnumerable<int> values) { ... }
```

Why bother?

- Pure functions can be executed in parallel without interfering with one another
- Pure functions can be "perfectly" cached
- Pure functions can be "partially" applied
- □ Functions can receive and return functions, for which all of the above hold true
- Allows for greater "modularity" and "composability"



Functional programming?

Functional programming is a style of programming

that enables you:

- Re-use code (via function composition)

- Eliminate bugs (via immutability)

IEnumerable is Functional

```
static \ IEnumerable < R > Select < T, \ R > (this \ IEnumerable < T > source, \ IEnumerable < T, \ T > selector) static \ IEnumerable < R > Select Many < T, \ R > (this \ IEnumerable < T > source, \\ Func < T, \ IEnumerable < R > selector)
```

```
var result = from a in Enumerable.Range(1,10)
from b in Enumerable.Range(20, 30)
select a + b;
```

Task is Functional

int result =

```
static Task<R> Select<T, R>(this Task<T> source, Func<T, T> selector)

static Task<R> SelectMany<T, R>(this Task<T> source, Func<T, Task<R>> selector)
```

from a in Task.Run(() => 40)

from b in Task.Run(() => 42)

select a + b;

Algebraic data type

Composite type

Algebraic data type

```
// Tuple
let me = { "Ricky"; "40" }
let (name, age) = me
// Record Type
type RecordType = { a : TypeA b : TypeB }
type Person = { Name : string; Age : int }
let me = { Name = "Ricky"; Age="40" }
```

Algebraic data type

```
// Discriminated Union
type tree =
| Leaf of int
| Node of tree * tree
```

```
type tree =
| Leaf of int
Node of tree * tree
let simpleTree = Node (Leaf 1, Node (Leaf 2, Node
                               (Node (Leaf 4, Leaf 5), Leaf 3)))
let countLeaves tree =
  let rec loop sum tree =
       match tree with
        Leaf( ) -> sum + 1
        | Node(tree1, tree2) -> sum + (loop 0 tree1) + (loop 0 tree2) |
   loop 0 tree let
printfn "countLeaves simpleTree: %i" (countLeaves simpleTree)
```

Let's get real

Real production code

http://www.statmuse.com

Take away

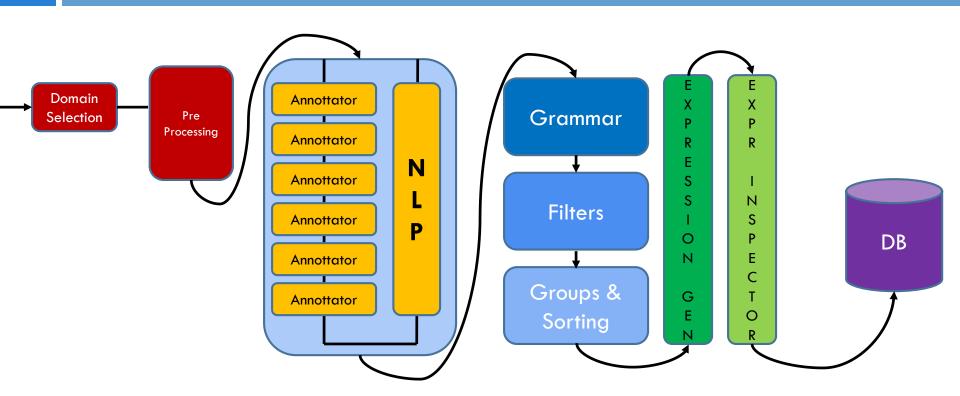
"Problems cannot be solved with the same mind set that created them"

— Albert Einstein

The case – Expand to UI-Conversation

- Dynamic query generation
- Ling.Expression builder in C#
- EntityFramework dependencies
 - (looking for better performance)
- □ Sql Server dependencies
 - (looking for better performance, better with 2014 column store but could be better)

What's going on



Draft Filter (simple one)

```
public abstract class DraftFilter<T> : IFilterRule<T> where T : class, Data.IDraft
     public Task<Func<!Queryable<T>, Expression<Func<T, bool>>>> ApplyAsync(
        IQueryContext context, CancellationToken cancellationToken)
        var tokens = context.Tokens;
        var draftYears = tokens.ExceptIgnored().OfType<DraftToken>().ToArray();
        var ignore = new[] { SportLexicon.Noun.Player.Draft.Key };
        var result = ContextAwareExpression.Where<T, DraftToken>((query, subject, ex) =>
            if (subject.Year.HasValue)
                return game => game.draft year == subject.Year;
            if (subject.TopNPicks.HasValue)
                return game => game.draft overall pick <= subject.TopNPicks;</pre>
             return null;
        }, tokens, draftYears, defaultAsOr: true, ignoreOperators: true, ignore: ignore);
        return Task.FromResult(result);
```

GameIndex Filter (comlpex)

```
public abstract class GameIndexFilter<T> : IFilterRule<T>
                                                            where T : class, Data.ITeamGame
    public int Applies(IToken[] tokens)
        if (tokens.Of(SportLexicon.Noun.Game.Key).Any())
            return 1100;
        return -1;
    public Task<Func<IQueryable<T>, Expression<Func<T, bool>>>> ApplyAsync(
        IQueryContext context, CancellationToken cancellationToken)
        var tokens = context.Tokens;
        var nouns = tokens.Of(SportLexicon.Noun.Game.Key).Where(s => !tokens.AnyBefore(s, new[]
                    SportLexicon.Noun.Player.Key
                Token. Number Key,
                EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.Key,
                EnglishLexicon.Possessive.Key,
                EnglishLexicon.Punctuation.Key)).ToArray();
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                    SportLexicon.Noun.Player.Key
               Token.NumberKey,
               EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.Key,
               EnglishLexicon.Possessive.Key,
               EnglishLexicon.Punctuation.Key)).ToArray();
       var ignore = new[]
           SportLexicon.Noun.Game.Key,
            EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.First.Key,
            EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.Last.Key,
            SportLexicon.Noun.GameLocation.Key,
            SportLexicon.Noun.GameType.Key,
            Snortlevicon Noun Season Key
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               EnglishLexicon.Punctuation.Key)).ToArray();
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            SportLexicon.Noun.GameLocation.Key,
           SportLexicon.Noun.GameType.Key,
            SportLexicon.Noun.Season.Kev.
       };
        var result = ContextAwareExpression.Where<T>((query, subject, ex) =>
            var superlative = tokens.Before(subject, new[]
                EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.First.Key,
                EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.Last.Key
            }, MathLexicon.Math.Operator.Logical.Key,
                Token.NumberKey,
               SportLexicon.Noun.Season.Key,
                SportLexicon.Noun.GameLocation.Key,
                SportLexicon.Noun.GameType.Kev):
            if (superlative == null)
                return null;
            superlative.Ignore():
            var relationalOperator = subject.Aspects.OfTvpe<RelationalAspect>().Select(i => i.Operator).FirstOrDefault()
                                    ?? Token.From(MathLexicon.Math.Operator.Relational.Leading.Equal.Key);
            var isEqualTo = OperatorExpressions.IsEqualTo(relationalOperator);
           var isGreaterThan = OperatorExpressions.IsGreaterThan(relationalOperator);
           var isLessThan = OperatorExpressions.IsLessThan(relationalOperator);
           var isInclusive = OperatorExpressions.IsInclusive(relationalOperator);
            // Find the coefficient (will always be in front of the subject: "last 5 games")
           var coefficientToken = tokens.Before(subject, Token.NumberKey,
                SportLexicon.Noun.Season.Key, // last 10 playoff games
```

```
// Use 1 as the default coefficient ("last game" implies "last 1 games")
      int coefficient = hasCoefficient ?
          (int)coefficientToken.NumericValue.Value
      var isLast = superlative.Is(EnglishLexicon.Adjective.Superlative.Last.Key);
      var teamTokens = tokens.OfType<TeamToken>().Where(t => !t.IsOpponent).ToArray();
      if (teamTokens.Any())
          var team ids = teamTokens.SelectMany(t => t.Teams.Keys).ToArray();
          var teamGameQuery = query.Where(i => team_ids.Contains(i.team_id)).Select(i => new { i.game_id, i.game_date }).Distinct();
          var teamGames = (isLast ? teamGameQuery.OrderByDescending(x => x.game_date) : teamGameQuery.OrderBy(x => x.game_date)).Take(coefficient).ToAr
          var teamgame ids = teamGames.Select(g => g.game id);
          var teamgame dates = teamGames.Select(g => g.game date);
          if (!isEqualTo)
              var referenceDate = (isGreaterThan && isInclusive) || (isLessThan && !isInclusive)
                  ? teamgame dates.Min()
                  : teamgame_dates.Max();
              var game_date = Expression.Property(_parameterProvider.Parameter, "game_date");
              var refgame date = Expression.Constant(referenceDate);
              return TimeExpression.Evaluate<T>(relationalOperator, game date, refgame date, parameterProvider.Parameter):
              return i => teamgame_ids.Contains(i.game_id);
      // Cases:
      // "the last N games"
      // "the first N games"
      // "the first game"
      var activeTeams = GetActiveTeams():
      var games = query.Where(i => activeTeams.Contains(i.team_id)).Select(i => new { i.team_id, i.game_id, i.game_date }).Distinct().GroupBy(i => i.te
      var gameIds = games.Select(i => new { team id = i.Key, Games = (isLast ? i.OrderByDescending(x => x.game date) : i.OrderBy(x => x.game date)).Taken
      Expression<Func<T, bool>> expression = (i => false);
      foreach (var gameId in gameIds)
          if (!isEqualTo)
              var referenceDate = (isGreaterThan && isInclusive) || (isLessThan && !isInclusive)
                  ? gameId.Games.Min(g => g.game_date)
                  : gameId.Games.Max(g => g.game_date);
              Expression<Func<T, bool>> teamConstraint = (i) => i.team id == gameId.team id:
              var gameDate = Expression.Property(_parameterProvider.Parameter, "game_date");
              var refGameDate = Expression.Constant(referenceDate);
              var gameDateConstraint = TimeExpression.Evaluate<T>(relationalOperator.
```

EfInspector combines Expressions

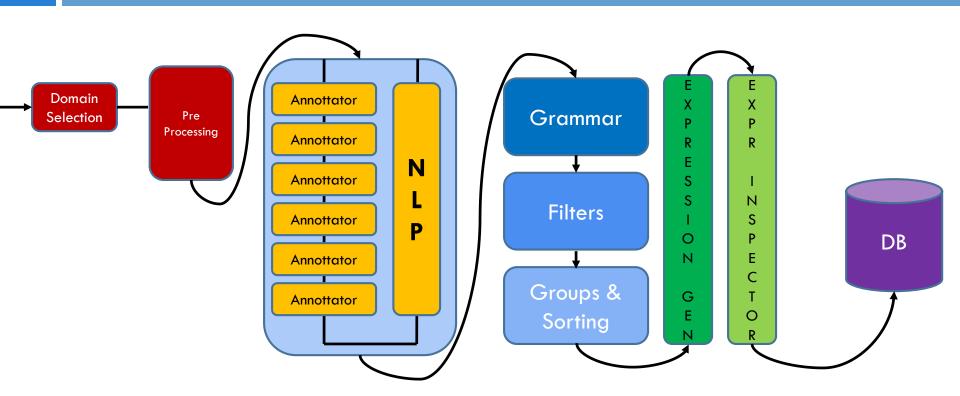
```
public class EfSchemaInspector : ISchemaInspector
        private readonly IParameterCollection _parameterCollection;
        private readonly IDictionary<Type, Dictionary<string, Func<ParameterExpression,</pre>
MemberExpression>>> memberMaps = new Dictionary<Type, Dictionary<string,</pre>
Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>>();
        public EfSchemaInspector(IParameterCollection parameterCollection,
                                      IAssemblyToLoad assemblyToLoad)
            parameterCollection = parameterCollection;
            var assemblies = AppDomain.CurrentDomain
               .GetAssemblies()
               .Where(a => a.GetCustomAttributes(assemblyToLoad.AssemblyToLoad, false))
               .ToArray();
```

```
public void CatalogTypes(IEnumerable<Type> types)
    _memberMaps.AddRange(types
        .ToDictionary(t => t, t =>
            var paths = IterateProps(t);
            return paths.ToDictionary<string, string, Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>(p => p
                return (input) =>
                    // Ignore the type name (Skip 1)
                    var propertyNames = p.Split('.').Skip(1);
                    Expression property = input;
                    foreach (var prop in propertyNames)
                        property = Expression.PropertyOrField(property, prop);
                    return property as MemberExpression;
            });
        }));
private static IEnumerable<string> IterateProps(Type baseType)
    return IteratePropsInner(baseType, baseType.Name, 0);
```

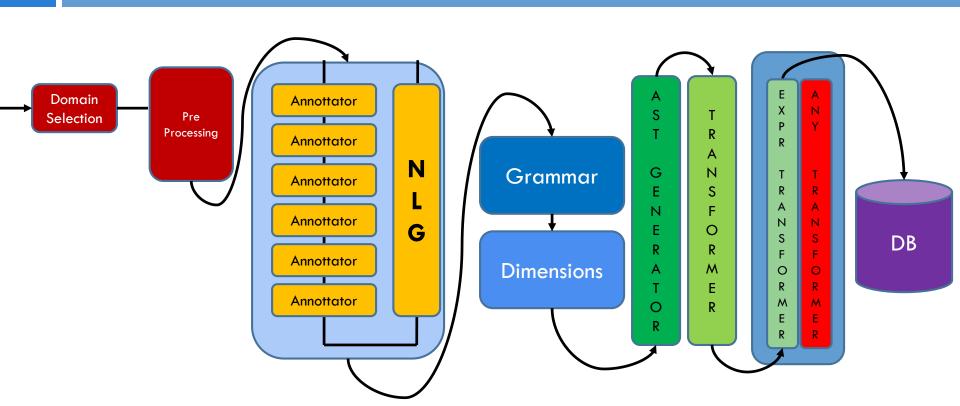
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MemberExpression>>> _memberMaps = new Dictionary<Type, Dictionary<string,</pre>
Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>>();
        public EfSchemaInspector(IParameterCollection parameterCollection,
            parameterCollection = parameterCollection;
            var assemblies = AppDomain.CurrentDomain
               .GetAssemblies()
               .Where(a => a.GetCustomAttributes(assemblyToLoad.AssemblyToLoad, false))
               .ToArray();
            var entities = assemblies
                .SelectMany(x => x.GetTypes())
                .Where(x => !x.IsAbstract && typeof(Entity).IsAssignableFrom(x));
            CatalogTypes(entities);
        public void CatalogTypes(IEnumerable<Type> types)
            _memberMaps.AddRange(types
                .ToDictionary(t => t, t =>
                    var paths = IterateProps(t):
                    return paths.ToDictionary<string, string, Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>(p => p, p =>
                        return (input) =>
                            // Ignore the type name (Skip 1)
                            var propertyNames = p.Split('.').Skip(1);
                            Expression property = input;
                            foreach (var prop in propertyNames)
                                property = Expression.PropertyOrField(property, prop);
                            return property as MemberExpression;
                    });
                }));
        private static IEnumerable<string> IterateProps(Type baseType)
            return IteratePropsInner(baseType, baseType.Name, 0);
        private static IEnumerable<string> IteratePropsInner(Type baseType, string baseName, int depth)
            var props = baseType.GetProperties();
            foreach (var property in props)
                var name = property.Name;
                var type = property.PropertyType;
                // Limit to 3 levels deep
                if (depth > 3 ||
                    (type.IsGenericType && type.GetGenericTypeDefinition() == typeof(ICollection<>))
                      | type.IsPrimitive || type == typeof(string) || type == typeof(DateTime)
                      type == typeof(TimeSpan) || IsNullableType(type))
                    yield return string.Format("{0}.{1}", baseName, property.Name);
                    foreach (var info in IteratePropsInner(type, name, depth + 1))
                        yield return string.Format("{0}.{1}", baseName, info);
        public IEnumerable<Type> GetTypeMaps(params string[] maps)
            if (maps == null) return null;
            return _memberMaps.Keys.Where(k => maps.Any(k.Name.EqualsIgnoreCase));
```

```
public IEnumerable<Expression<Func<T, TMember>>> GetConstants<T, TMember>(IToken token, params string[] constants)
       if (constants.None()) return new Expression<Func<T, TMember>>[0];
      var parameter = _parameterCollection.Find(typeof(T));
       return constants
                   .Where(e => MatchesPropertyType(e, typeof(TMember)))
                   .Select(c =>
                       var constant = Expression.Constant(c, c.GetType());
                       var converter = Expression.Convert(constant, typeof(TMember)).Expand();
                       return Expression.Lambda<Func<T, TMember>>(converter, parameter);
   public Expression<Func<T, TMember>> GetMap<T, TMember>(string property)
       var type = typeof(T);
      if (!_memberMaps.ContainsKey(type)) return null;
      var parameter = parameterCollection.Find(typeof(T));
      var memberExpressions = _memberMaps[type]
                                   .Where(k => k.Key.EndsWith(property))
                                   .OrderBy(k => k.Key.Length)
                                   .Select<KeyValuePair<string, Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>, Expression>(i =>
                                       var body = i.Value(parameter);
                                       return body;
                                   }).Distinct();
       return memberExpressions
                   .Where(e => MatchesPropertyType(e, typeof(TMember)))
                   .Select(m =>
                       var converter = Expression.Convert(m, typeof(TMember)).Expand();
                       return Expression.Lambda<Func<T, TMember>>(converter, parameter);
                   .FirstOrDefault();
   public Expression<Func<T. TMember>> GetExpression<T. TMember>(string expression)
       var parameter = _parameterCollection.Find(typeof(T));
           return DynamicExpression.ParseLambda<T, TMember>(expression, parameter).Expand();
       catch (ParseException)
          return null:
   public IEnumerable<Expression<Func<T, TMember>>> GetMaps<T, TMember>(IToken token, params string[] maps)
      if (maps == null || !maps.Any()) return new Expression<Func<T, TMember>>[0];
      // Ensure that we prefix any naked maps with "
       maps = maps.Select(m => m.Contains(".") ? m : "." + m).ToArrav():
       var type = typeof(T);
       if (type.IsGenericType && type.GetGenericTypeDefinition() == typeof(IEnumerable<>))
           var aggregateFunction = token.Aspects.OfType<AggregateAspect>().Any(a => a.IsAverage) ? "Average" : "Sum";
          return GetExpressions<T, TMember>(token, maps.Select(m =>
               var property = m.Trim('.');
               return string.Format("{0}(Double?({1}))", aggregateFunction, property);
          }).ToArray());
      if (!_memberMaps.ContainsKey(type)) return new Expression<Func<T, TMember>>[0];
      var parameter = _parameterCollection.Find(typeof (T));
       var memberExpressions = _memberMaps[type]
                                   .Where(k => maps.Any(k.Key.EndsWith))
                                   .OrderBy(k => k.Key.Length)
                                   .Select<KeyValuePair<string, Func<ParameterExpression, MemberExpression>>, Expression>(i =>
```

What's going on



AST – QueryExpression solution



Query Expression

and ColumnName = string

```
// Represents expression, which can be evaluated to value
// of various types
type QueryExpression =
      GetColumn of ColumnName
      Binary of QueryExpression * QueryExpression * BinaryOperator
      Unary of QueryExpression * UnaryOperator
      Call of KnownMethod * QueryExpression list
      Constant of QueryValue
      ContainsElements of CollectionReference * QueryExpression
```

Binary Operator

```
type RelationOperator =
type BinaryOperator =
                                             LessThan
      Plus
                                             GreaterThan
      Minus
                                             LessThanOrEqual
      Divide
                                             GreaterThanOrEqual
      Multiply
      Equals
      IfThen
      RelationOperator of RelationOperator
      And
```

Filter Dimension & Predicate

```
[<Interface>]
type IPreFilterDimension =
    abstract member toFilter : unit -> QueryPredicate

type FilterQuery = QueryExpression

type QueryPredicate =
    | Predicate of FilterQuery
    | Wrong of string
```





```
type PlayerDimension =
     Player of InputString * int list
     PlayerPosition of InputString * int
    interface IFilterDimension with
        member this.toFilter () =
            match this with
            Player(input, personIds) ->
                personIds
                > Seq.map(fun id ->
                        Condition(Equals(personIdColumn, (number id))))
                |> reduceWithOr
                > Predicate
            PlayerPosition(input,positionId) ->
                positionIdColumn === NullVal(positionId) |> Predicate
```



Player Filter

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                positionIdColumn === NullVal(positionId) |> Predicate
```



QueryExpression transformer

```
let transform (input : IQueryable<'T>) (tfs:QueryExpression) =
    match tfs with
    | Predicate e ->
        // transform filter converting the expression to `Func<'T, bool>`
        // and call the LINQ `Where` operation
        input.Where(makeFunction<'T, bool> convertExpression e)
     SortBy [] -> input
     SortBy((e, ord) :: es) ->
        let input =
            match ord with
            | Ascending -> input.OrderBy( ...
            Descending -> input.OrderByDescending( ...
        let output = es |> Seq.fold thenSortBy input
        upcast output
      GroupBy(e, aggs) -> ...
```

```
let rec convertExpression ctx e =
    match e with
     GetColumn(s) -> ctx.ColumnGetter s
     Constant(String v) -> upcast Expression.Constant(v)
     Constant(Number v) -> upcast Expression.Constant(v)
     Constant(Boolean v) -> upcast Expression.Constant(v)
     Binary(e1, e2, op) ->
        let e1 = convertExpression ctx e1
        let e2 = convertExpression ctx e2
       match op with
        And -> upcast Expression.AndAlso(e1, e2)
        Or -> upcast Expression.OrElse(e1, e2)
         RelationOperator(rel) ->
           match rel with
            LessThan -> upcast Expression.LessThan(e1, e2)
             LessThanOrEqual -> upcast Expression.LessThanOrEqual(e1, e2)
            | GreaterThan -> upcast Expression.GreaterThan(e1, e2)
             GreaterThanOrEqual -> upcast Expression.GreaterThanOrEqual(e1, e2)
         Equals -> upcast Expression.Equal(e1, e2)
```

Little DSL

let (=/=) a b = a |> shouldNotEqual b

```
let shouldEqual (value : QueryValue) (colName : ColumnName) =
                binaryOp colName value Equals
let shouldNotEqual (value : QueryValue) (colName : ColumnName) =
                Unary(colName |> shouldEqual value, Not)
let shouldBeSmallerThan (value : QueryValue) (colName : ColumnName) =
                RelationOperator(LessThan) |> binaryOp colName value
let shouldBeSmallerEqualThan (value : QueryValue) (colName : ColumnName) =
                RelationOperator(LessThanOrEqual) |> binaryOp colName value
let (===) a b = a |> shouldEqual b
```

Result

- Code more maintainable
- Code more expressive
- Code more concise (less bug)
- Removed dependencies
- Easy to expand
 - First transformer Linq.Expression 😊
 - Cassandra







The tools we use have a profound (and devious!) influence on our thinking habits, and, therefore, on our thinking abilities.

-- Edsger Dijkstra