

Extending LINQ



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Overview



LINQ doesn't always have what you need

Create your own extension methods

Create reusable and generic extension methods

Use third party LINQ extensions

More LINQ challenges!



Demo



Creating Extension Methods





What namespace should LINQ extension methods be put in?

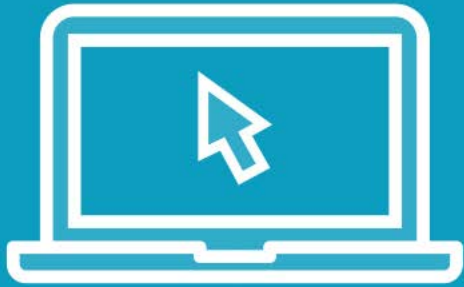
Your own?

- e.g. `MyCompany.MyProduct.Utils`
- Not available without remembering to add a “using” statement

An existing .NET namespace?

- e.g. `System.LINQ`
- Extension methods become automatically available
- But can cause confusion

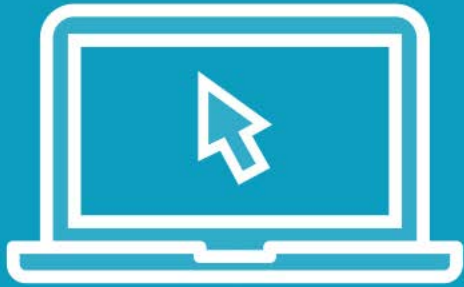
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Concatenating Strings



Demo



Creating a **MaxBy**
Extension Method



Challenge



LINQ Challenge



Counting Pets



Challenge



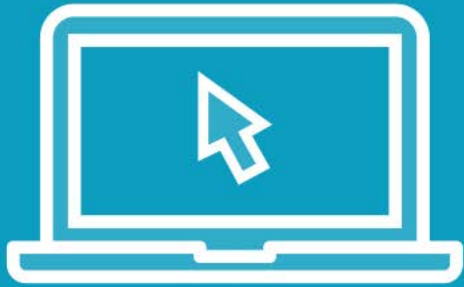
LINQ Challenge



Swim Length Times



Demo



Using MoreLINQ's **Batch** Extension Method



Challenge



LINQ Challenge



Counting Consecutive Sales



Summary



Create your own extension methods

Create reusable and generic extension methods

Use MoreLINQ

Up Next: Laziness!

