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# Introduciton to LINQ in C#

### 1. What is LINQ?

**LINQ** (Language Integrated Query) is a set of features in C# that allows querying data from various sources (collections, databases, XML, etc.) using a unified syntax.



# Why Use LINQ?

- Readable and concise syntax for querying data.
- Type safety at compile-time.
- Reduces boilerplate code (like loops).
- Enables querying in-memory collections just like database tables.



## 2. LINQ Query Syntax vs Method Syntax

### Query Syntax (SQL-like)

```
var result = from s in students
    where s.Age > 18
    select s.Name;
```

### Method Syntax (Lambda expressions)

```
var result = students
   .Where(s => s.Age > 18)
   .Select(s => s.Name);
```

Both return the same result. Choose based on readability and familiarity.



# 3. Filtering Data - Where

Purpose: Filters a collection based on a condition.

```
var adults = people.Where(p => p.Age >= 18);
```

### Example: Filter all students with grade above 70

```
var passedStudents = students.Where(s => s.Grade > 70);
```



# 4. Projection - Select

Purpose: Transform each element of a collection.

```
var names = students.Select(s => s.Name);
```

### **Example: Project student names and grades**

```
var summary = students.Select(s => new { s.Name, s.Grade });
```



# 5. Ordering - OrderBy, OrderByDescending

```
var sorted = students.OrderBy(s => s.Grade);
var sortedDesc = students.OrderByDescending(s => s.Grade);
```

### **Example: Sort products by price**

```
var cheapToExpensive = products.OrderBy(p => p.Price);
```



# 6. Aggregates: Count, Sum, Average, Max, Min

#### Count

```
int total = students.Count();
```

#### Sum

```
double totalMarks = students.Sum(s => s.Grade);
```

### **Average**

```
double averageGrade = students.Average(s => s.Grade);
```



### Max / Min

```
var topScore = students.Max(s => s.Grade);
var lowestScore = students.Min(s => s.Grade);
```



# 7. Anonymous Types

Used to create objects without defining a class.

```
var studentSummary = students.Select(s => new
{
    FullName = s.Name,
    Status = s.Grade > 70 ? "Pass" : "Fail"
});
```

Useful in projection when only part of the object is needed.



# **Real-Time Examples**



# Real-Time Examples

### **E-Commerce: Filter expensive products**

```
var premium = products.Where(p => p.Price > 1000);
```

### **Education App: Top performers**

```
var toppers = students
    .OrderByDescending(s => s.Grade)
    .Take(5)
    .Select(s => new { s.Name, s.Grade });
```



## Employee Data: Count employees in each department



# **Quiz Time**



## **Quiz Questions**

## Multiple Choice:

- 1. What does the Where clause do in LINQ?
- a) Sorts data
- b) Filters data based on condition
- c) Aggregates data
- d) Projects data



- 2. Which syntax is SQL-like in LINQ?
- a) Query syntax
- b) Lambda syntax
- c) Method chaining
- d) None



- 3. Which of the following is NOT an aggregate function?
- a) Sum
- b) Average
- c) OrderBy
- d) Count



- 4. What does Select do in LINQ?
- a) Filters elements
- b) Projects each element
- c) Removes duplicates
- d) Sorts data



#### **Short Answer:**

5. Write a LINQ query to get names of employees older than 30.

6. How do you get the total salary paid to employees using LINQ?



**Q & A** 

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