

# First and FirstOrDefault

## First, FirstOrDefault

- ✓ First and FirstOrDefault both are used (independently) to return first element from a datasource.
- ✓ If the element is not available at first index -
  - ✓ First will throw an exception.
  - ✓ But FirstOrDefault will return default value of data source element.

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0 references
static void Main(string[] args)
{
    List<int> numbers = new List<int>() { 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};

    var ms = numbers.First();
    Console.ReadLine();
}
```

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0 references
static void Main(string[] args)
{
    List<int> numbers = new List<int>() { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 };

    var ms = numbers.Where(x => x > 5).First();

    var ms1 = numbers.First(x => x > 5);

    Console.ReadLine();
}
```

always use the ms1 filtering it will reduce the time complexity

```
static void Main(string[] args)
{
    var users = new List<User>()
    {
        new User(){Id = 1, UserName = "Admin", Password="Admin" },
        new User(){Id = 2, UserName = "UserA", Password="UserA" },
        new User(){Id = 3, UserName = "UserB", Password="UserB" },
        new User(){Id = 4, UserName = "UserC", Password="UserC" }
    };

    var ms = users.FirstOrDefault(x => x.UserName == "Admin" && x.Password == "Admin");

    var mixedS = (from user in users
        select user).FirstOrDefault(x => x.UserName == "Admin" && x.Password == "Admin");

    Console.ReadLine();
}
```