Say Goodbye to the For Loop with High Order Functions by Mike Harris





Pop Quiz

What do these do?

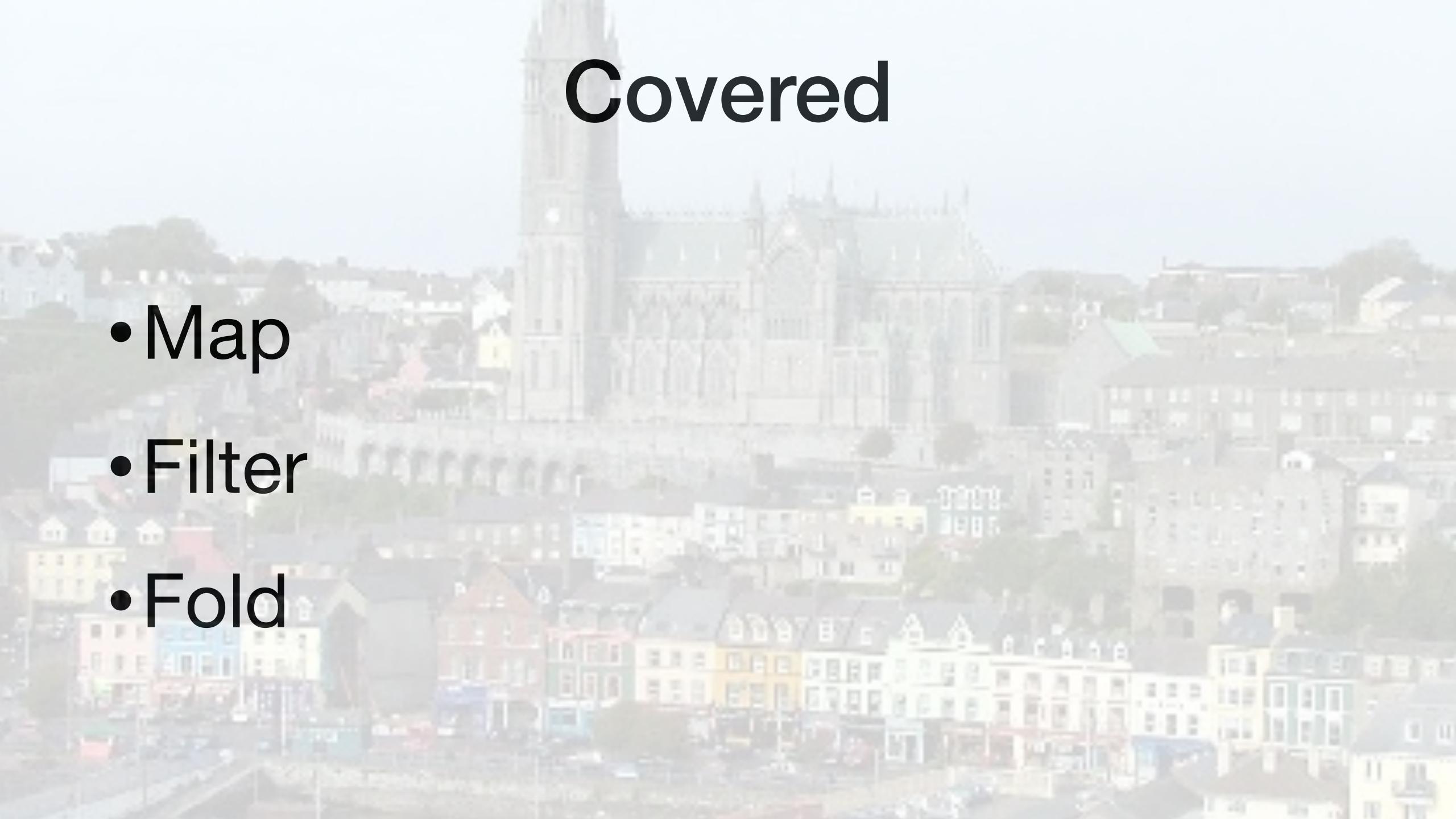
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main ()
  int i, j, k, l;
  float x[8][2][8][2];
  for (i = 0; i < 8; i++)
    for (j = i; j < 8; j++)
      for (k = 0; k < 2; k++)
  for (l = 0; l < 2; l++)
      if ((i == j) \&\& (k == l))
        x[i][k][j][l] = 0.8;
      else
        x[i][k][j][l] = 0.8;
      if (x[i][k][j][l] < 0.0)
        abort ();
  exit (0);
```

```
int f(void)
{
    static _Complex double t;
    int i, j;
    for(i = 0;i<2;i++)
        for(j = 0;j<2;j++)
        t = .5 * 1.0;
    return t;
}</pre>
```

```
int n;
void foo (int i)
  int a, b;
  if (!i)
    for (a = 1; a < 4; a++)
      if (a)
  for (b = 1; b < 3; b++)
    foo (b);
  n++;
```

Answers

I have no idea either.



Problem Statement

Find the total for 53202?

Order

- + Zip + Price
- + Quantity

Data

```
IList<(int Zip, double Price, int Quantity)> orders =
    new List<(int Zip, double Price, int Quantity)> {
        (53202, 1.89, 3),
        (60191, 1.99, 2),
        (60060, 0.99, 7),
        (53202, 1.29, 8),
        (60191, 1.89, 2),
        (53202, 0.99, 3)
```

Find the total for Zip 53202, where subtotal is Price times Quantity.

Solution: For Loop

```
var total = 0.0;
for (int i = 0; i < orders.Count(); i++)
{
    if (orders[i].Zip == 53202)
        total += orders[i].Price * orders[i].Quantity;
}</pre>
```

Solution: Foreach Loop

```
var total = 0.0;
foreach (var order in orders)
{
    if (order.Zip == 53202)
        total += order.Price * order.Quantity;
}
```

Parts of the For Loop Solution

```
var total = 0.0;
foreach (var order in orders)
{
    if (order.Zip == 53202)
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}
```

```
var total = 0.0;
foreach (var order in orders)
{
    if (Predicate)
        total += order.Price * order.Quantity;
}
```

```
var total = 0.0;
foreach (var order in orders)
{
    if (Predicate)
        total += Mapping;
}
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var total = 0.0;
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{
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        Accumulate += Mapping;
}
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```
var Initial
foreach (var order in orders)
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Solution: LINQ

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.Where(order => order.Zip == 53202)
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.Aggregate(0.0, (sub, amount) => sub + amount);
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LINQ

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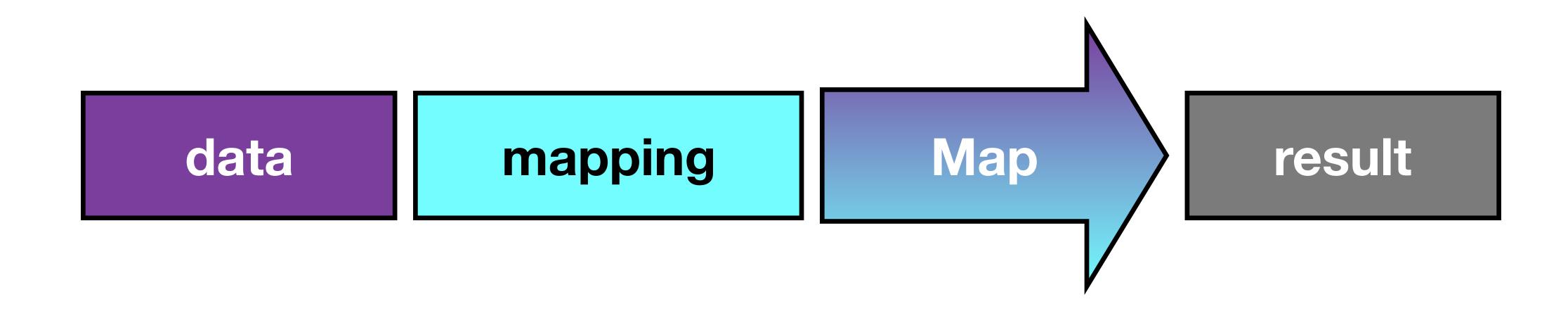
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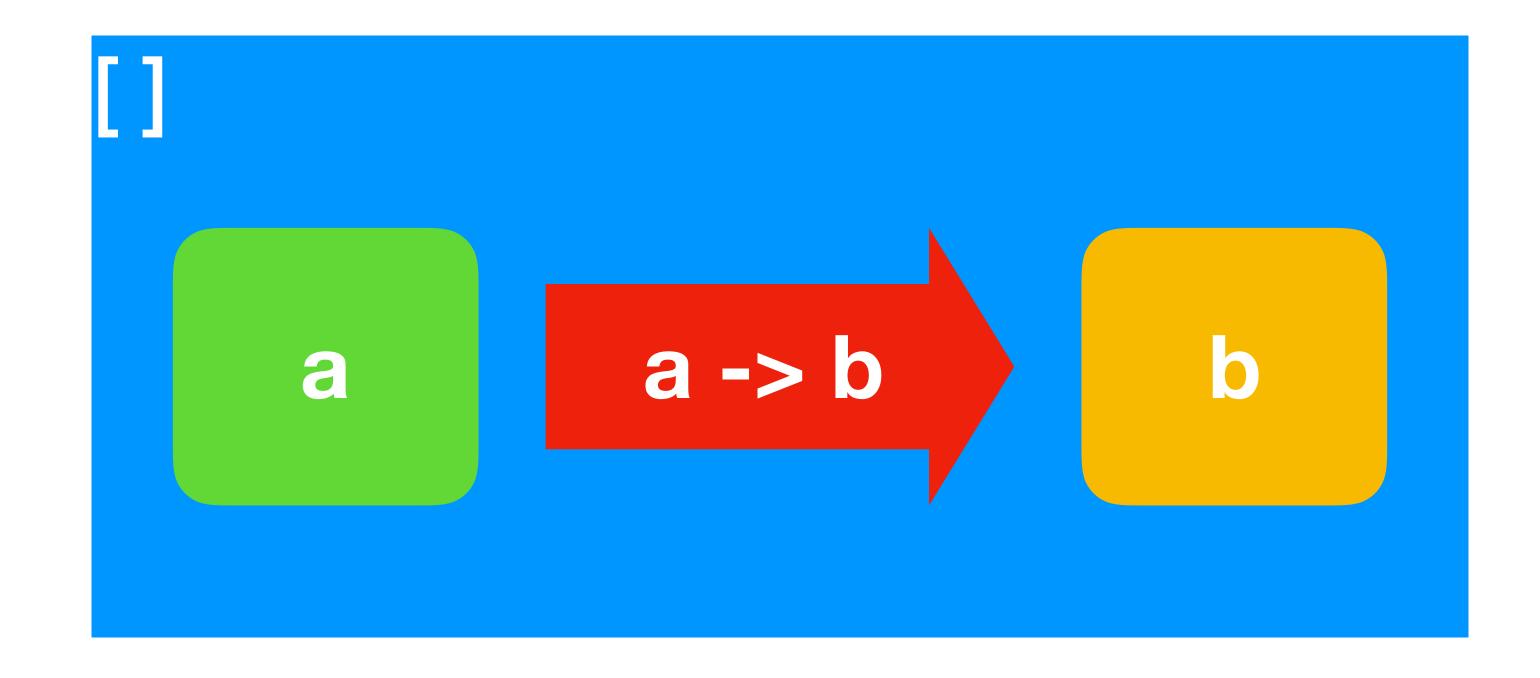
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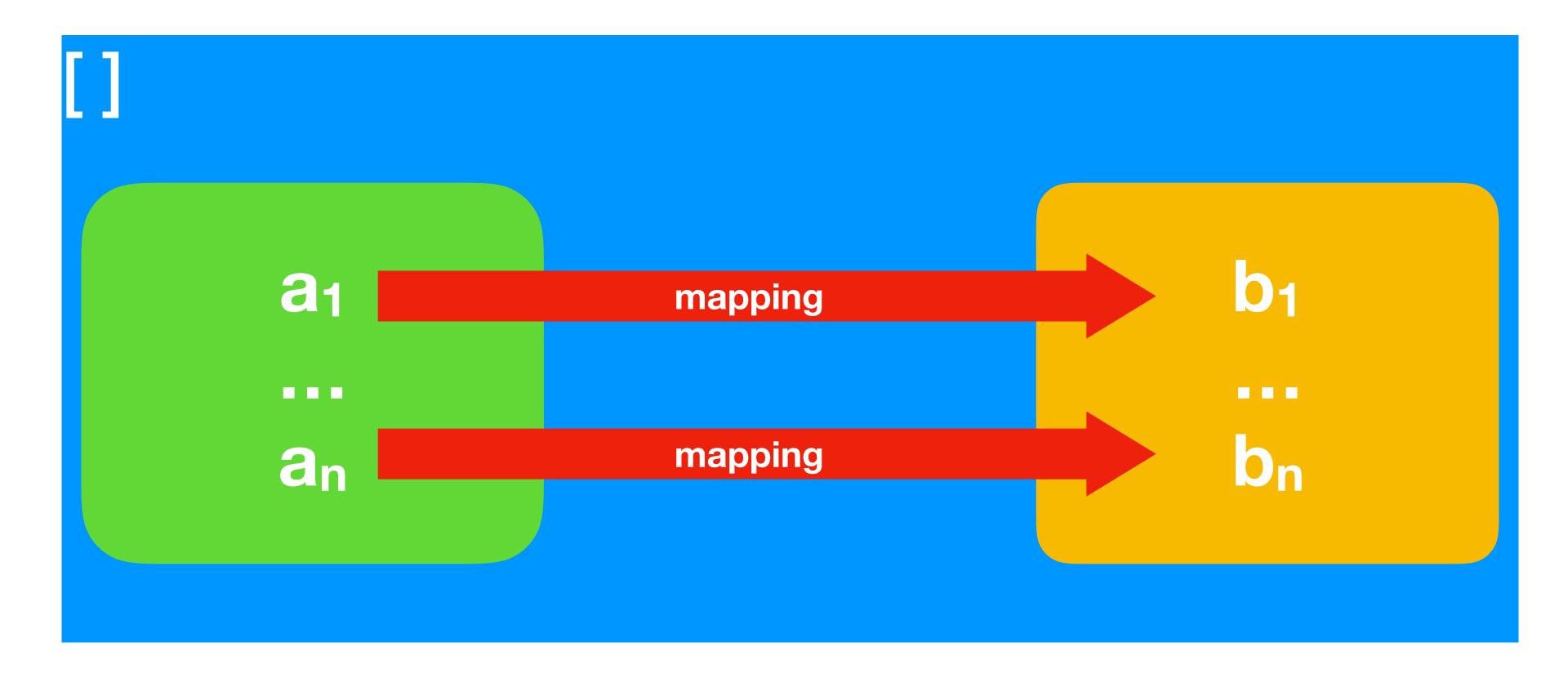
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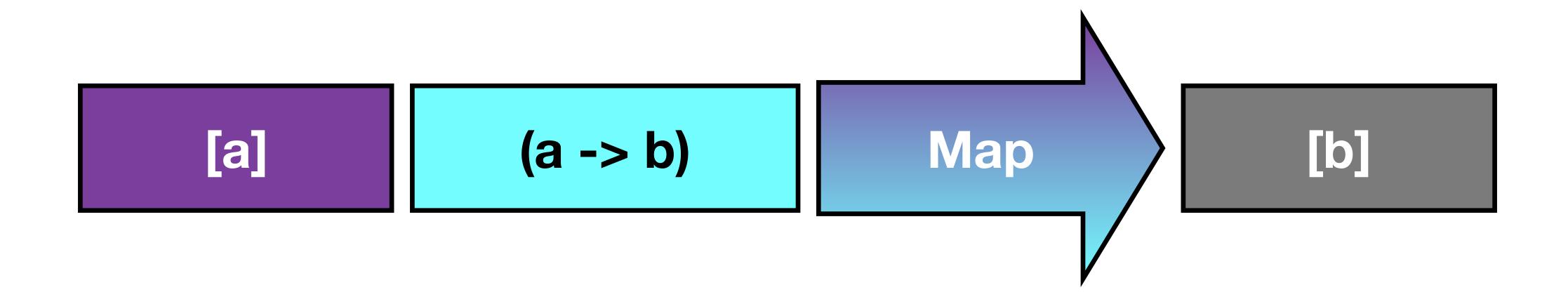
Higher Order Functions







mapping



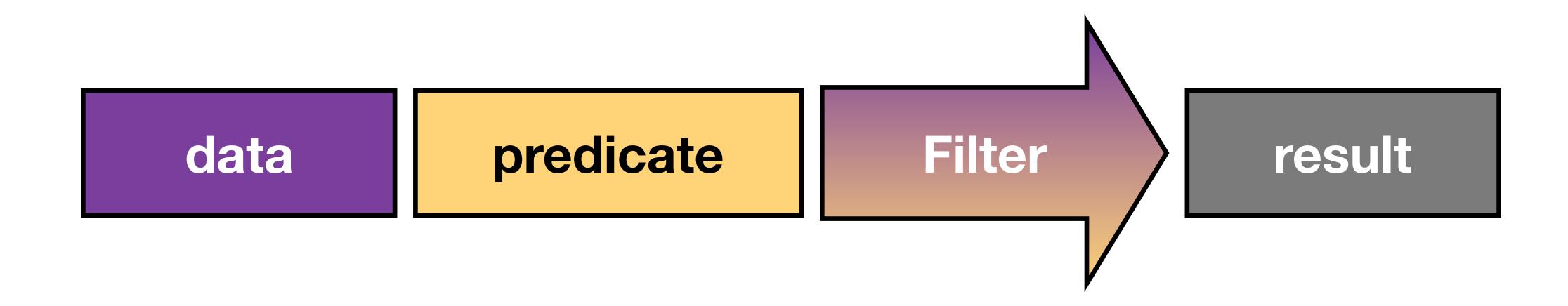
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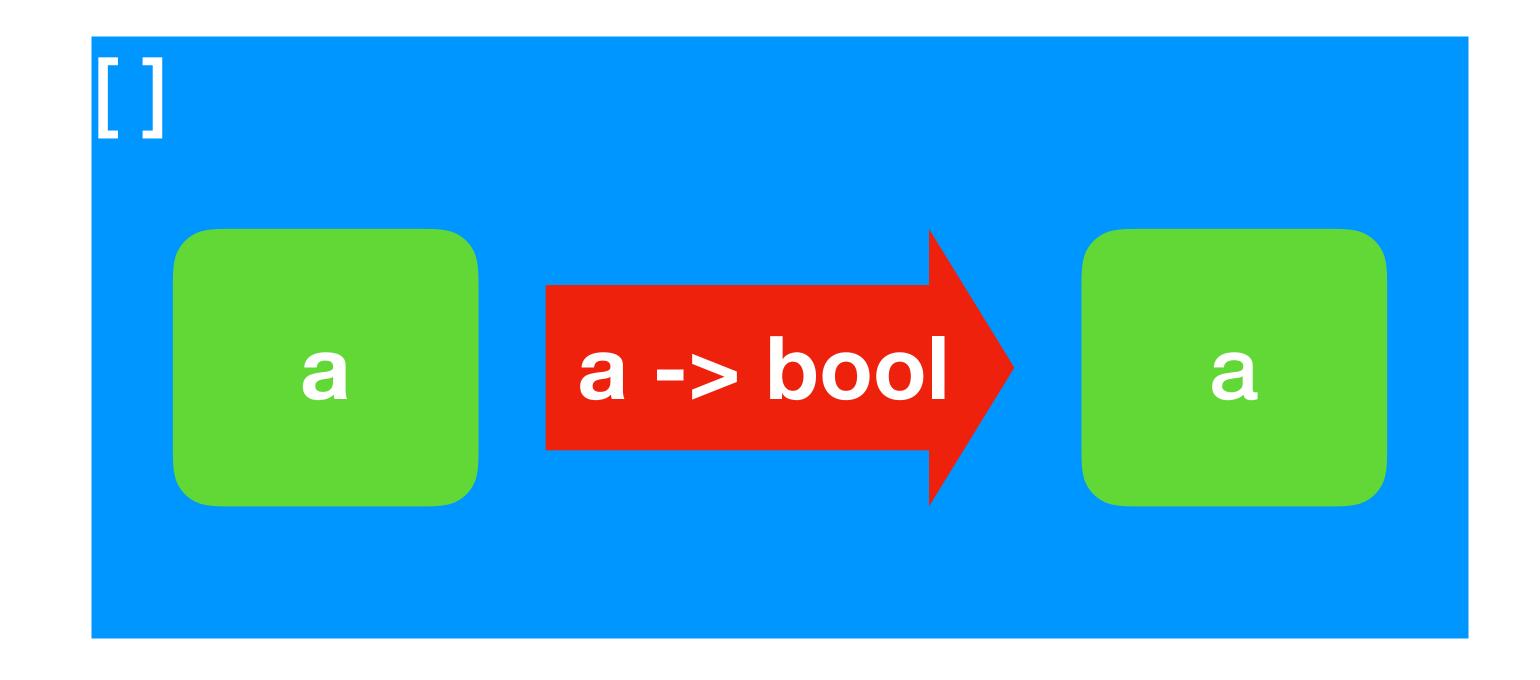
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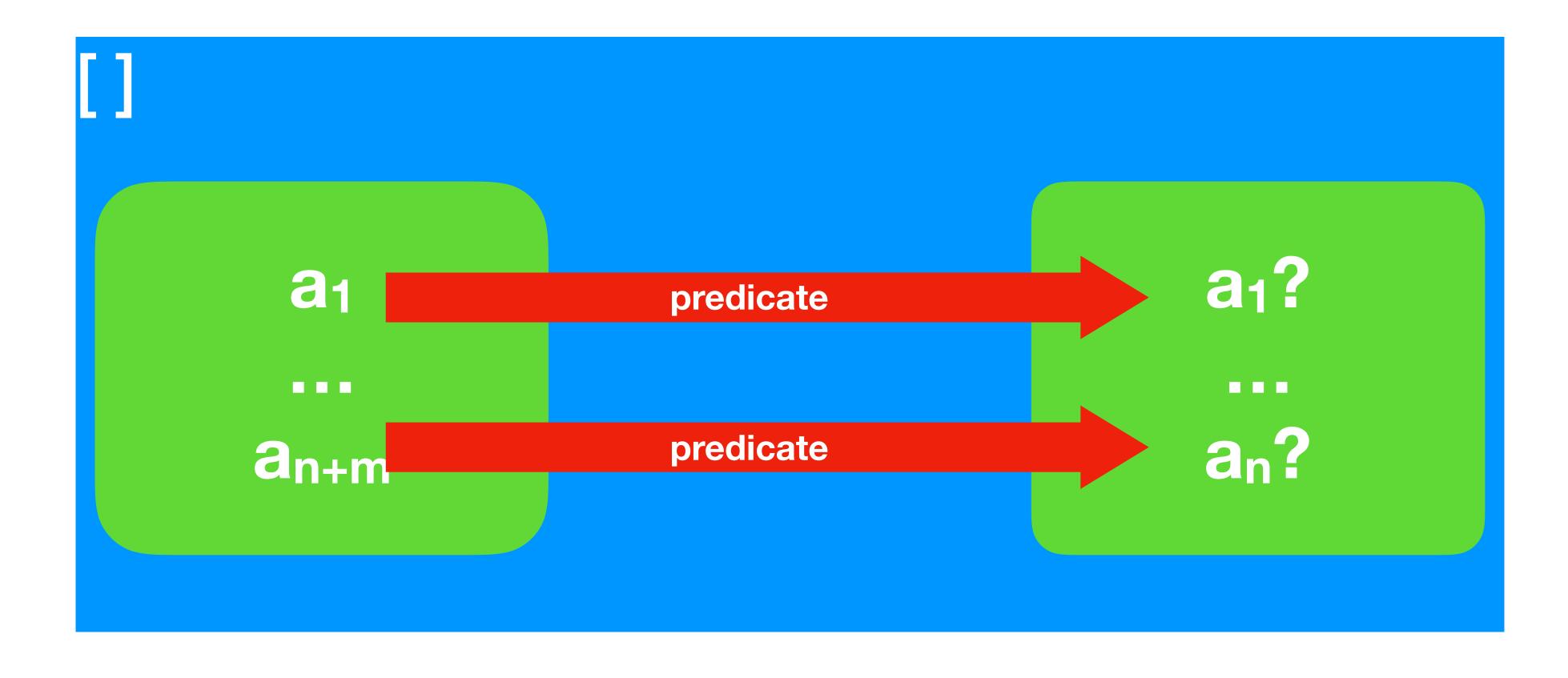
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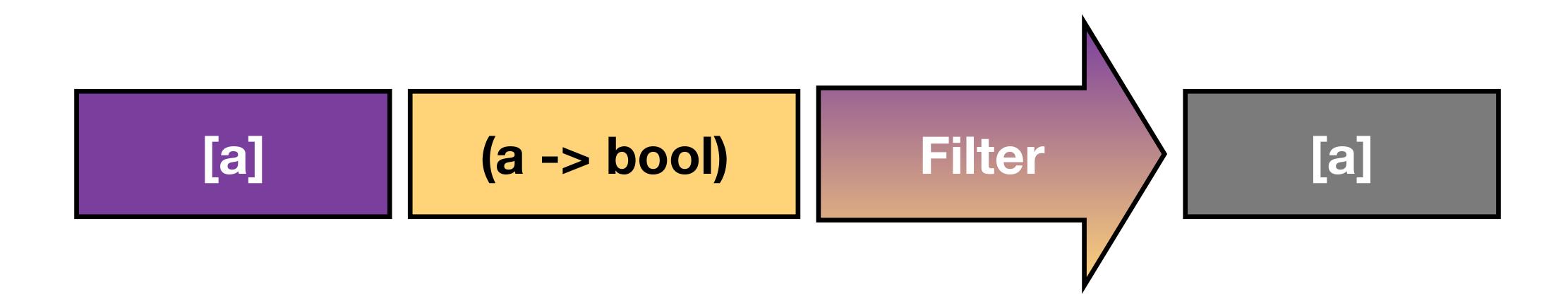




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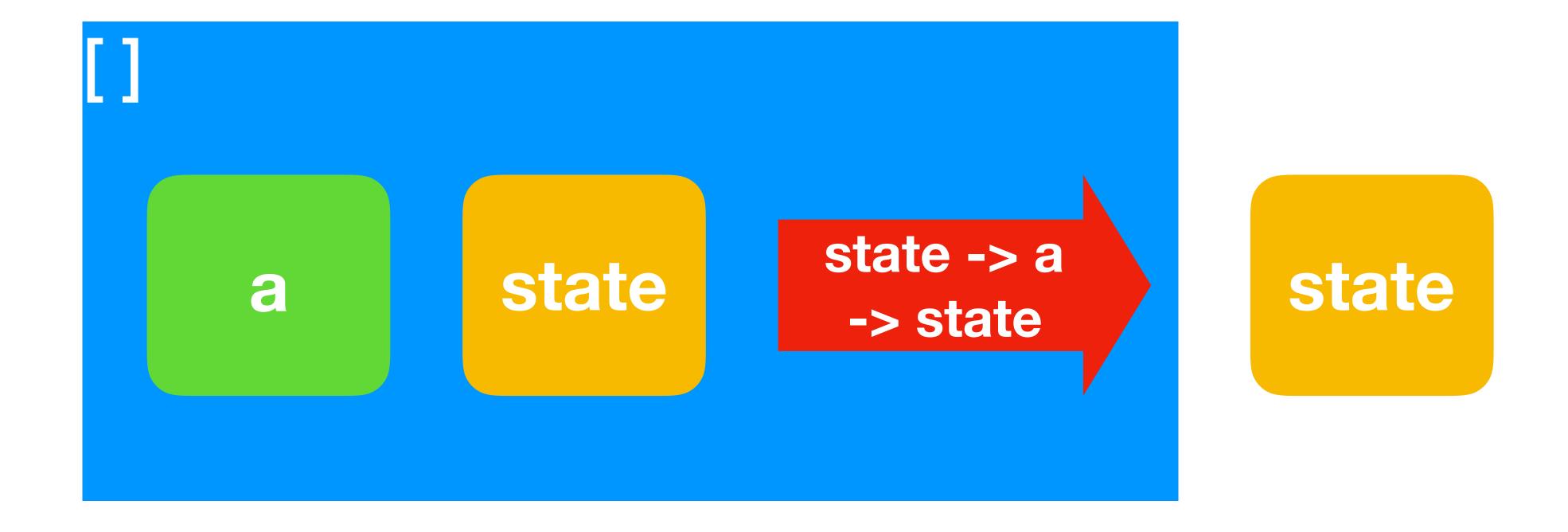
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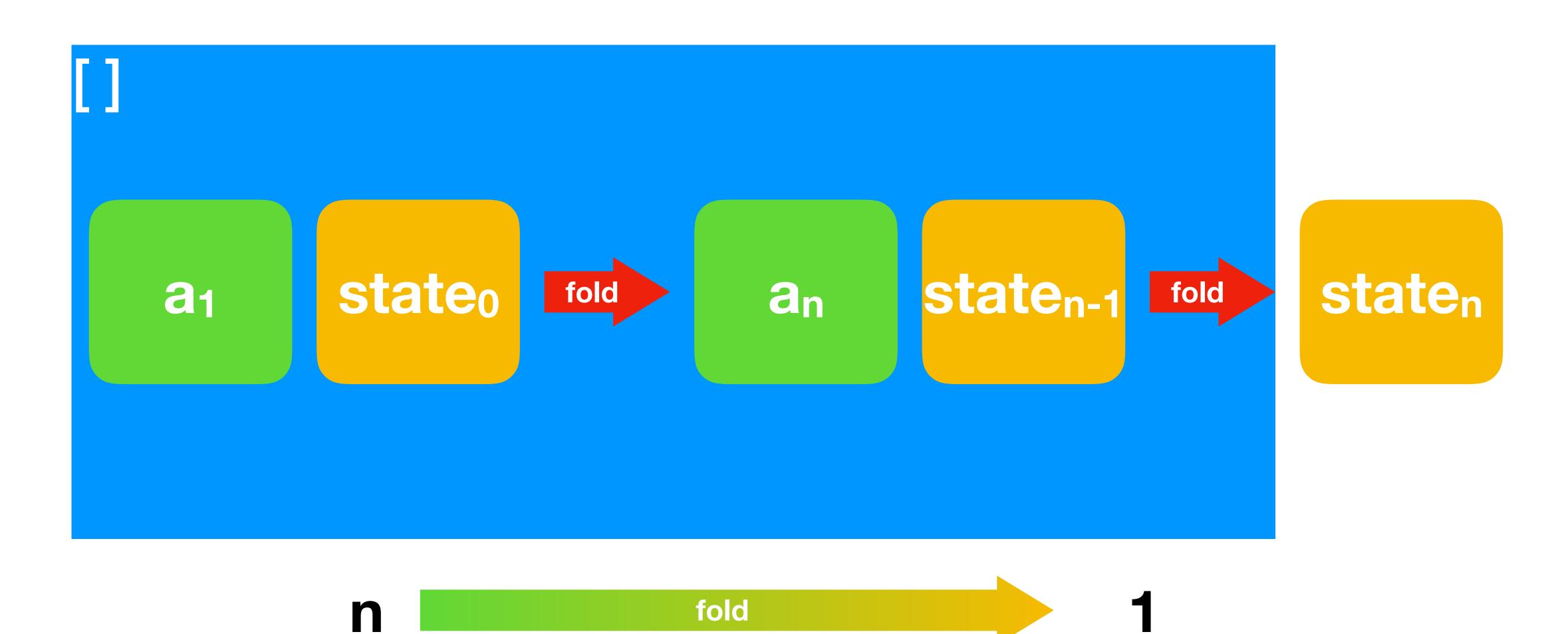
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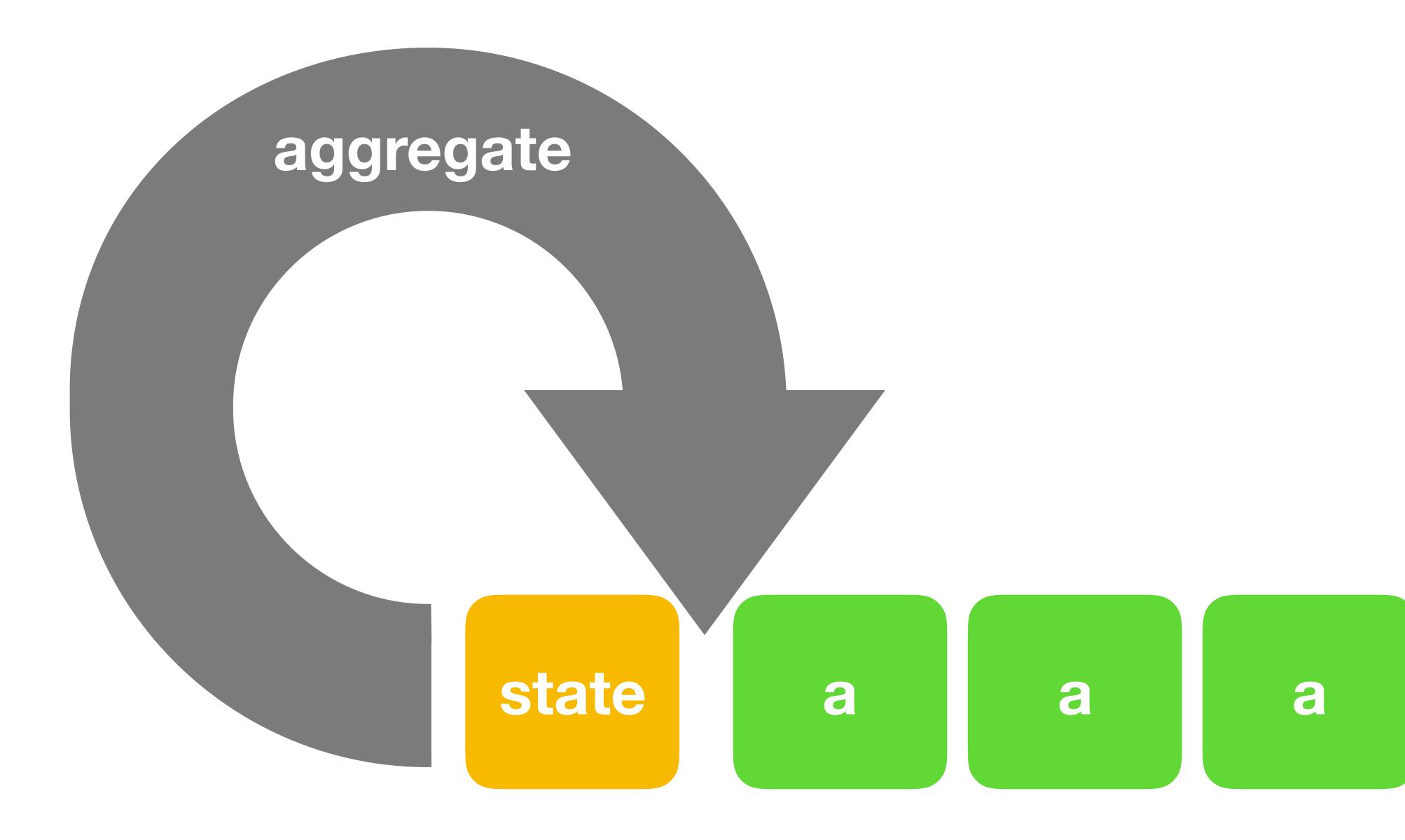
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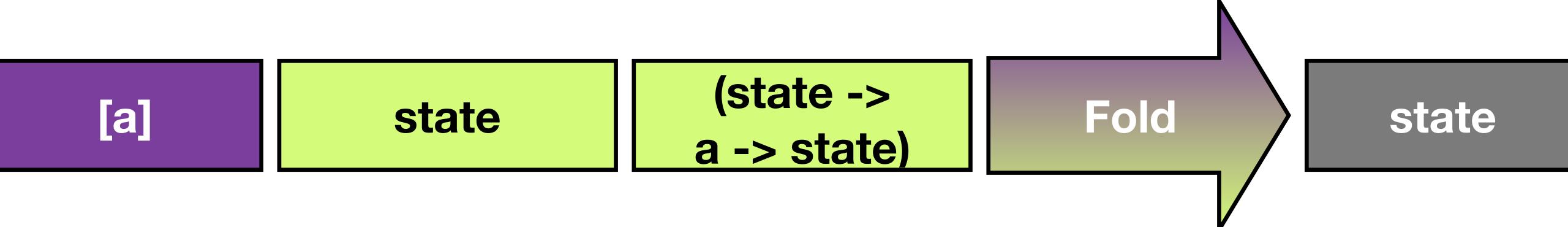
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    this IEnumerable<T> source,
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    Func<U, T, U> accumulate)
    var result = initial;
    foreach(var item in source)
        result = accumulate(result, item);
    return result;
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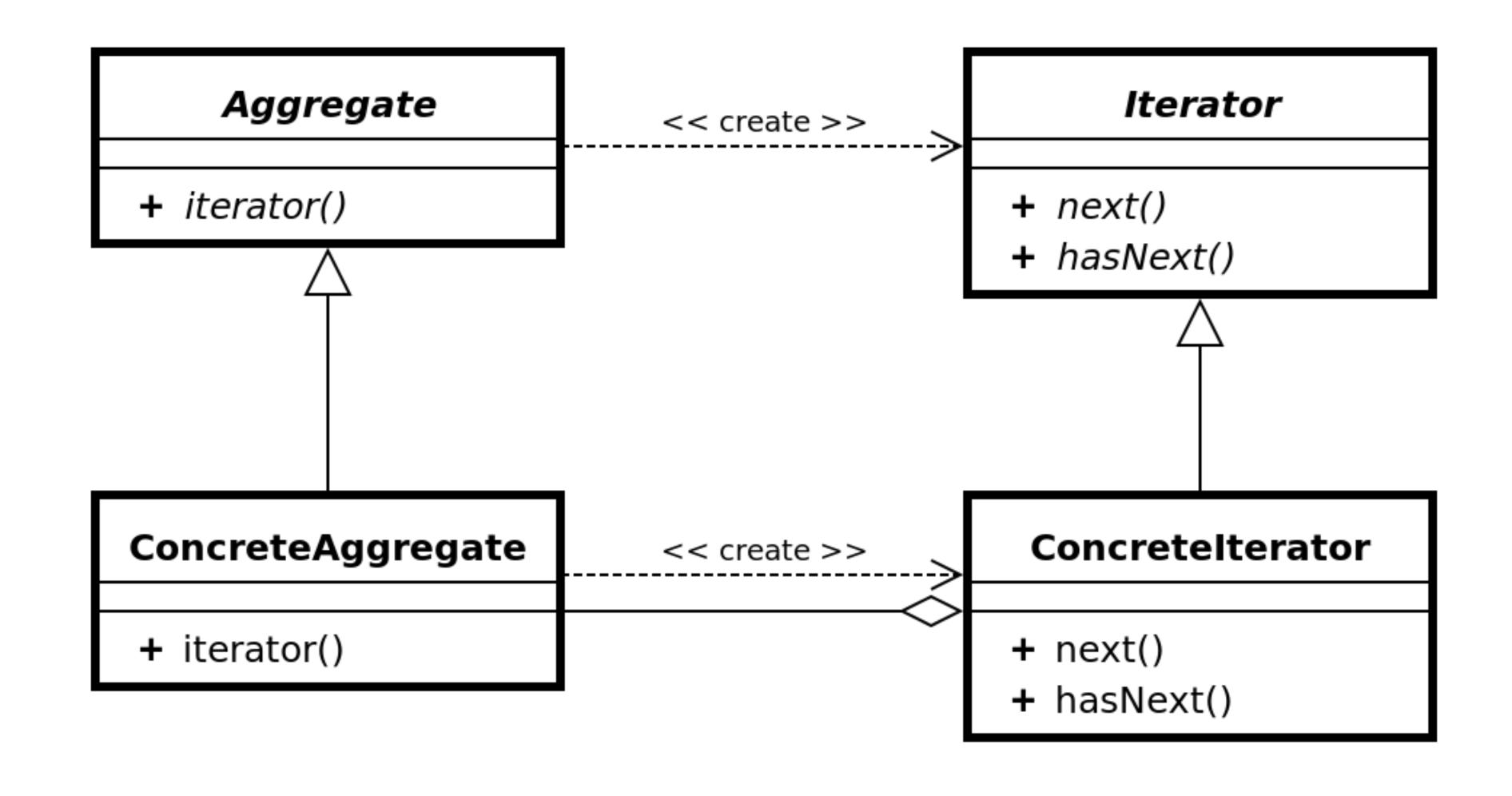
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Higher Order Functions in C#

Iterator Pattern



IEnumerator

+ Current

- + MoveNext()
- + Reset()

IEnumerator

Next

+ Current

HasNext

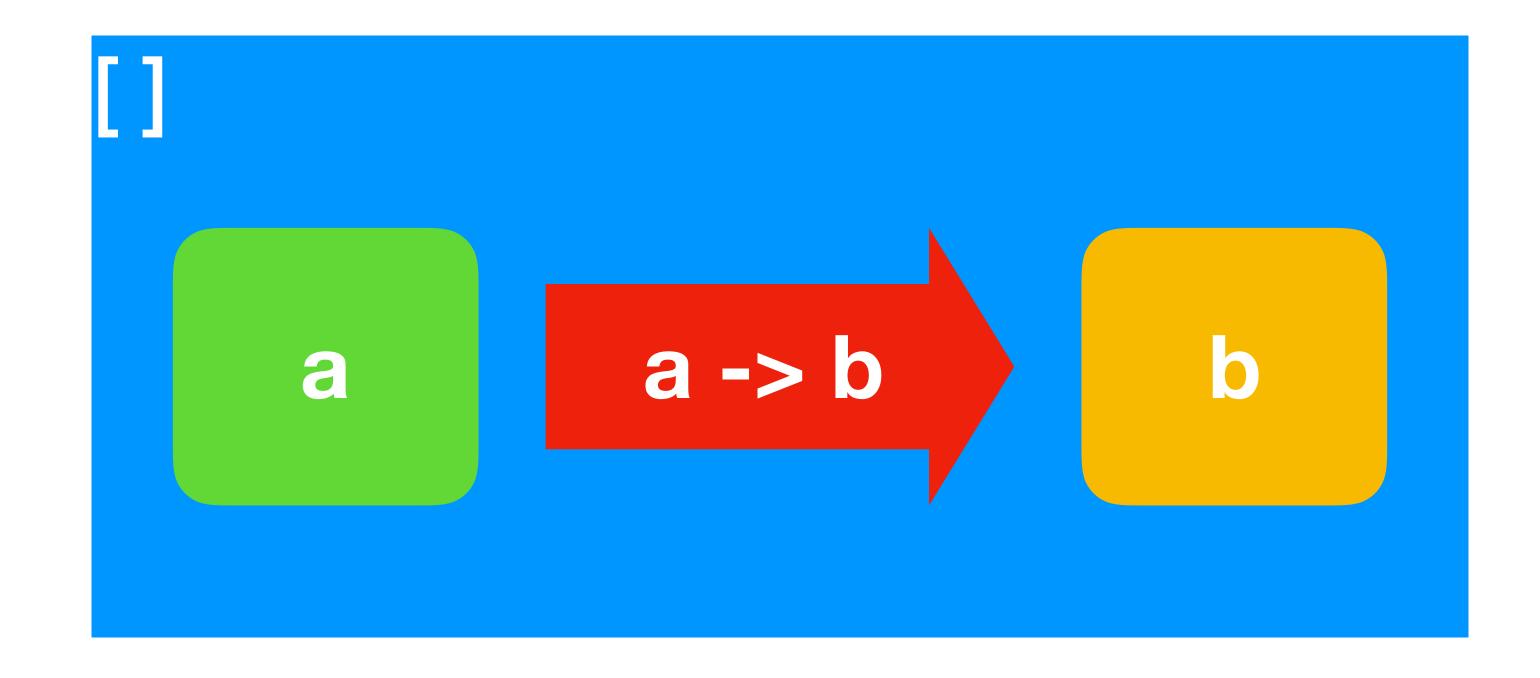
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```
public static void Iterate<T>(
     this IEnumerator<T> source, Action<T> f)
{
     while(source.MoveNext())
     {
        f(source.Current);
     }
}
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public static void Iterate<T>(
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{
      while(HasNext)
      {
          Function(Next);
      }
}
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private sealed class SelectArrayIterator<TSource, TResult> : Iterator<TResult>, IPartition<TResult>
 private readonly TSource[] _source;
 private readonly Func<TSource, TResult> _selector;
 public override bool MoveNext()
      if (_state < 1 | _state == _source.Length + 1)</pre>
          Dispose();
          return false;
      int index = _state++ - 1;
      _current = _selector(_source[index]);
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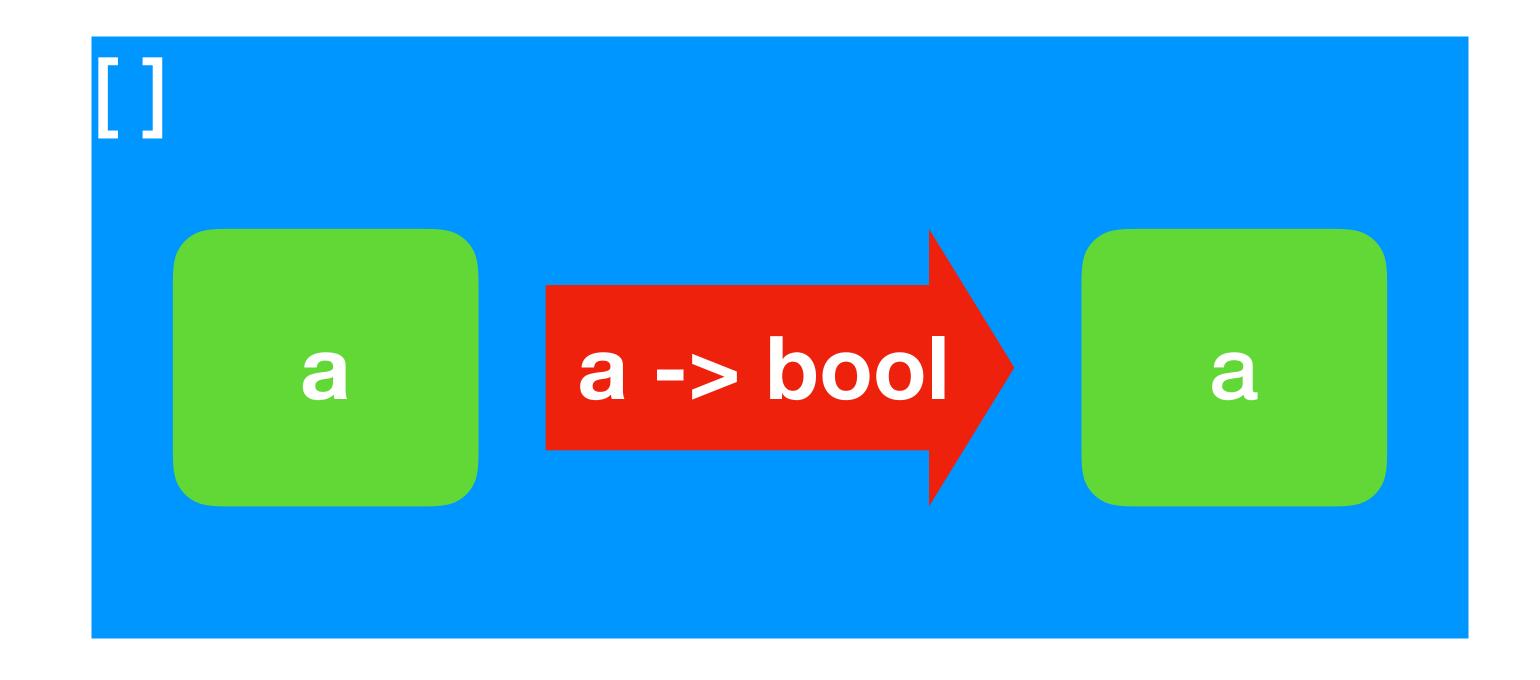
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Filter



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internal sealed class WhereArrayIterator<TSource> : Iterator<TSource>, IIListProvider<TSource>
   private readonly TSource[] _source;
    private readonly Func<TSource, bool> _predicate;
    public override bool MoveNext()
        int index = _state - 1;
        TSource[] source = _source;
       while (unchecked((uint)index < (uint)source.Length))</pre>
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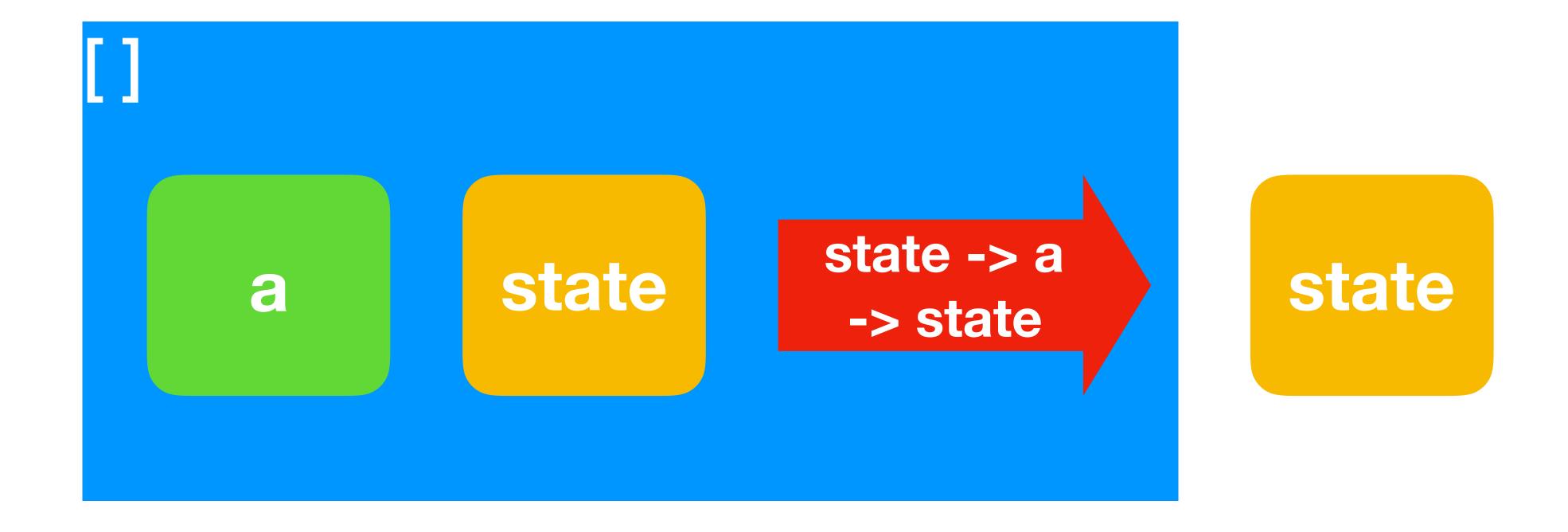
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        if (Predicate(item))
            Next = item;
            return true;
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public override bool HasNext()
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        TSource item = source[index];
        index = _state++;
        if (Predicate (item))
                 = item;
             return true;
    Dispose();
    return false;
```

Fold



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public static TAccumulate Aggregate<TSource, TAccumulate>(this IEnumerable<TSource> source,
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LINQ Order of Execution

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    };
```

In what order does this execute?

```
var total = orders
.Where(order => order.Zip == 53202)
.Select(order => order.Price * order.Quantity)
.Aggregate(0.0, (sub, amount) => sub + amount);
```

In what order does this execute?

```
var spy = new List<string>();
orders
    .Where(order =>
       { spy.Add("filter"); return order.Zip == 53202; })
    .Select(order =>
       { spy.Add("map");
         return order.Price * order.Quantity; })
    -Aggregate(0.0, (sub, amount) =>
       { spy.Add("fold"); return sub + amount; });
```

Answer

```
new List<string> {
    "filter", "map", "fold",
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Does exactly what we want

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Fusion Property of Iterators

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```
var total = 0.0;
foreach (var order in orders)
{
    if (order.Zip == 53202)
        total += order.Price * order.Quantity;
}
```

```
var total = 0.0;
Iterate (var order in orders)
{
    Filter(order.Zip == 53202)
    Fold(+, Map(order.Price * order.Quantity));
}
```

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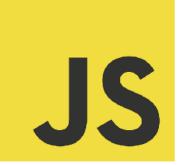
Higher Order Functions Learn once use everywhere.

C# List Comprehension

```
(from order in orders
where order.Zip == 53202
select new {Amount = order.Price * order.Quantity})
.Sum(order => order.Amount);
```

JavaScript

```
orders
.filter(order => order.zip === 53202)
.map(order => order.price * order.quantity)
.reduce((sub, amount) => sub + amount, 0.0);
```



PowerShell

```
($orders |
Where-Object { $_.Zip -eq 53202 } |
Select-Object @{
  Name = "Amount";
  Expression = {$_.Price * $_.Quantity} } |
Measure-Object Amount -Sum).Sum
```



F#

```
orders
|> List.filter (fun x -> x.Zip = 53202)
|> List.map (fun x -> x.Price * (double x.Quantity))
|> List.sum
```

T-SQL

```
select distinct
  sum(price * quantity) over (partition by zip)
  from (
    values
      (53202, 1.89, 3),
      (60191, 1.99, 2),
      (60060, 0.99, 7),
      (53202, 1.29, 8),
      (60191, 1.89, 2),
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  ) as orders(zip, price, quantity)
  where zip = 53202
```

... and on and on

Compare

LINQ

For Loop

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.Where(Predicate)
.Select(Mapping)
.Aggregate(Initial, Accumulate);
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```



Thank you

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Say Goodbye to the For Loop with High Order Functions https://bit.ly/2uUmllM

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Next Steps

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