# Identify What Kind of Data is Contained in Collections



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### Module Goals



- Answer questions about a collection...
  - All items meet a condition
  - Any items meet a condition
  - Is item contained in a collection
- Use an EqualityComparer<T> class

# Matching a Condition

```
Products.All(predicate);

Products.All(prod => prod.Name.Contains(" "));
```

- ◄ All() method searches all items in collection
- **◆** Determines if *all* items match the condition

■ Do all product names contain a blank space?

```
Products.Any(predicate);
```

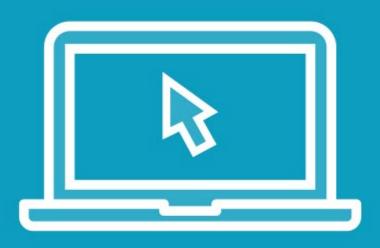
```
Products.Any(prod =>
    prod.Name.Contains("z"));
```

◆ Any() method searches all items in collection Determines if any items in collection match the condition

**◄** Do any product names have a "z" in them?



All() method



Any() method

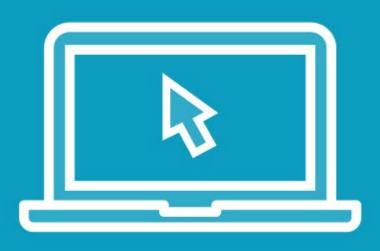
# Contains

#### LINQ Contains

Different from string.Contains()

Searches
collection to see if
a value exists

For simple data type collections such as int, decimal, string, etc.



- Contains using an integer list

## LINQ Contains with Objects

Default is to compare object references

Most often need to look at value in property of object

Need to create EqualityComparer<T> class

```
public class ProductIdComparer :
             EqualityComparer<Product> {
 public override bool Equals(Product x,
                              Product y)
    return (x.ProductID == y.ProductID);
 public override int
    GetHashCode(Product obj) {
    return obj.ProductID.GetHashCode();
```

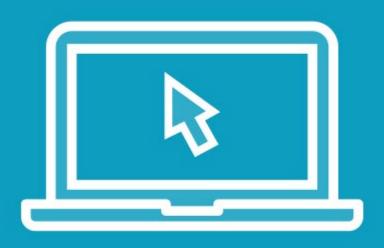
■ Inherit from EqualityComparer<Product>

■ Override Equals(product 1, product 2) method

■ Return true if both match

■ Override GetHashCode() method

◆ Create a unique value from one or more properties



- Contains() using a comparer class

## Module Summary



- All() checks if all items match a predicate
- Any() checks if any items match a predicate
- Contains with a comparer make it easy to search object property values

Up Next:

Compare and Union Two Collections