## Starting with the First Bounded Context



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### In This Module



Inserting coins and notes

Returning the money

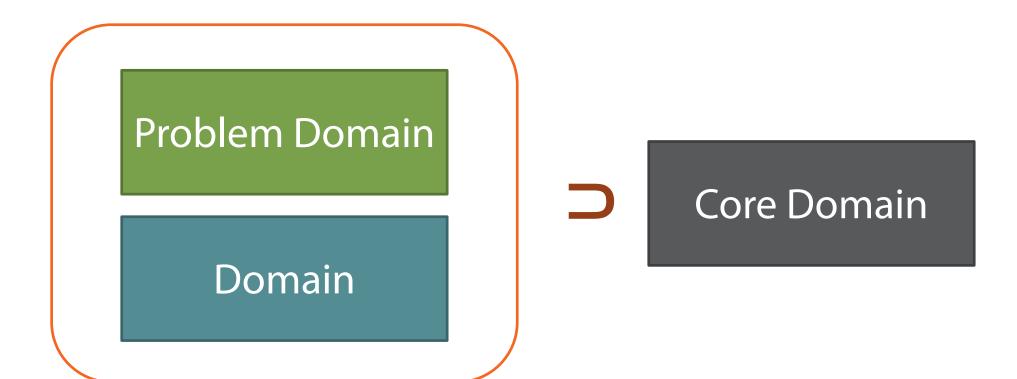
### In This Module

Entities

VS

Value Objects

### Problem



### Solution

Business Logic

**Business Rules** 

Domain Logic

Domain Knowledge Domain Model

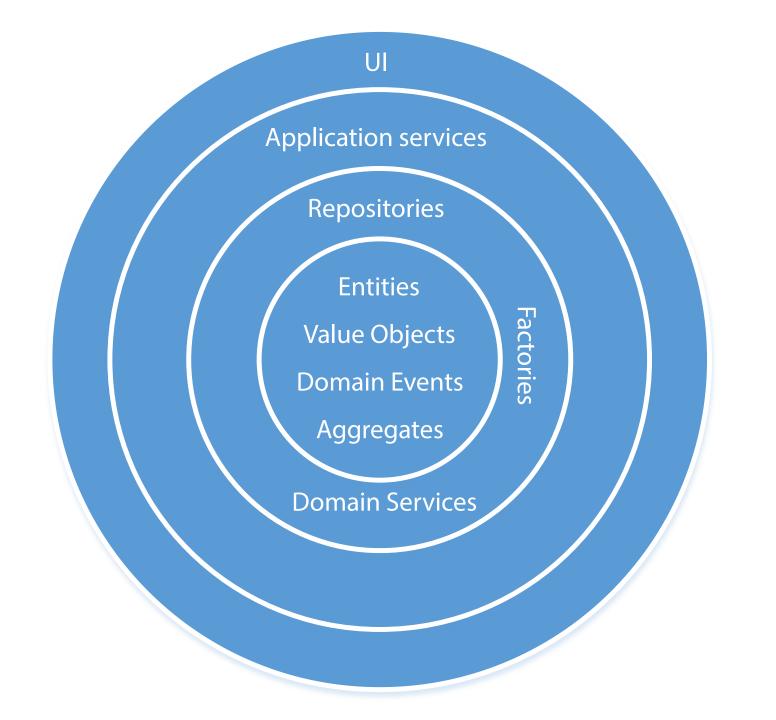
# Vocabulary Used

### Domain

The problem we are working on

### Domain Model

- The solution for the problem
- ☐ The artifact of the solution



## Problem Description



Insert money into the Machine

Return the money back

Buy a snack

## Recap: Starting with Snack Machine

• Start with the core domain

Don't introduce several bounded contexts upfront

Always look for hidden abstractions

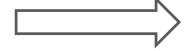
## Entities vs. Value Objects

Snack Machine = Entity

Money = Value Object

Identifier equality

Reference equality



Ref 1 Ref 2

Object in Heap

Structural equality

Identifier equality



Object 1

ld: 5

Object 2

ld: 5

Reference equality

Structural equality

Identifier equality

Reference equality

Structural equality



Object 1

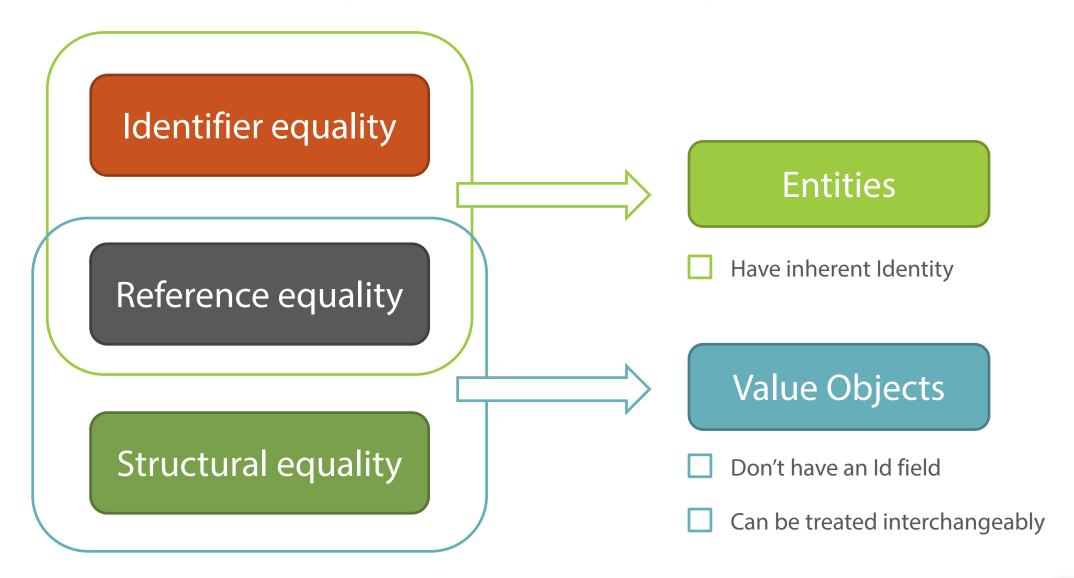
Name: "A"

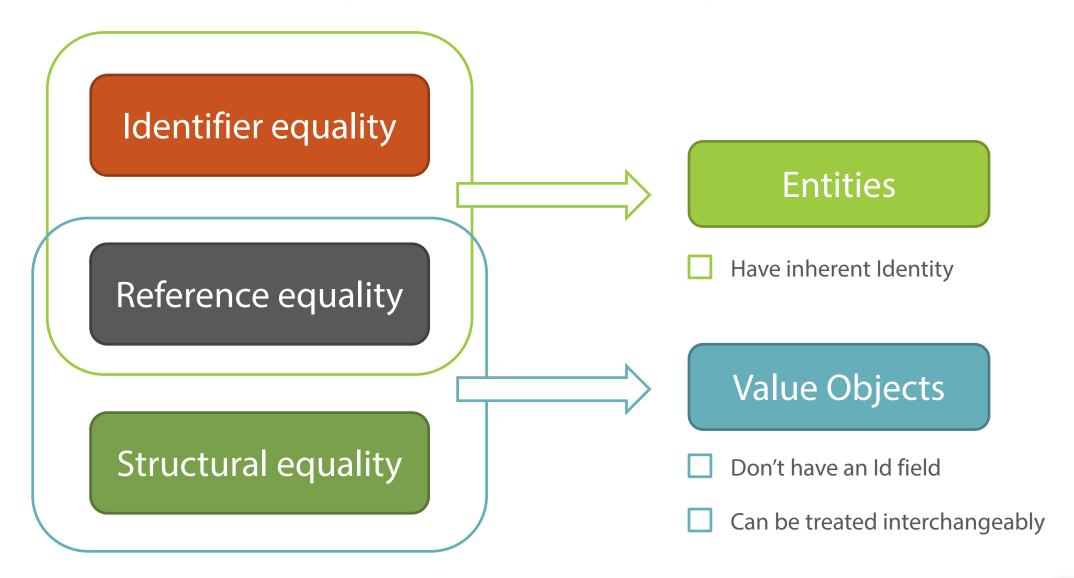
Country: "B"

Object 2

Name: "A"

Country: "B"





## Entities vs. Value Objects

#### **Entities**

- Have inherent Identity
- Mutable

### Value Objects

- Don't have an Id field
- Can be treated interchangeably
- Immutable

# Lifespan

**Entity 1** 

Value Object 1

Value Object 2

Entity 2

Value Object 1

Value Object 2

## How to Recognize a Value Object

**Entities** 



Value Objects

## How to Recognize a Value Object

Structural equality

```
public void Method()
{
  int value1 = 5;
  int value2 = 5;
}

  Money value1 = new Money(5);
  Money value2 = new Money(5);
}
```



### Prefer value objects to entities

- ☐ Value objects are light-weight
- Put most of business logic to value objects
- Entities act as wrappers

### **Entity Base Class**

Code duplication



Doesn't show proper relations between entities



### **Entity Base Class**

```
public interface IEntity
{
}

public class Entity1 : IEntity
{
}

public class Entity2 : IEntity
{
}
```

```
public abstract class Entity
{
}

public class Entity1 : Entity
{
}

public class Entity2 : Entity
{
}
```

"Can-do" relationship



"Is-a" relationship



### The use of the Equals method:

```
public void EqualsUsageExample(List<Entity> entities, Entity entity)
{
   bool contains = entities.Contains(entity);
}
```

### The use of the equality operator:

```
public void EqualityOperatorUsageExample(Entity entity1, Entity entity2)
{
   bool equal = entity1 == entity2;
}
```

## Recap: Entity Base Class

Entity base class

- Id property
- Equality members

## Value Object Base Class

Value Object base class

- □ Don't have an Id property
- Can't place equality members to the base class

## Recap: Value Object Base Class

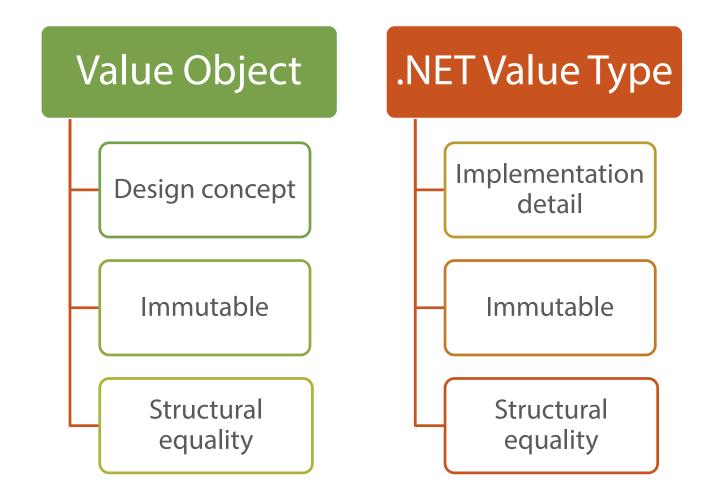
#### Entity base class

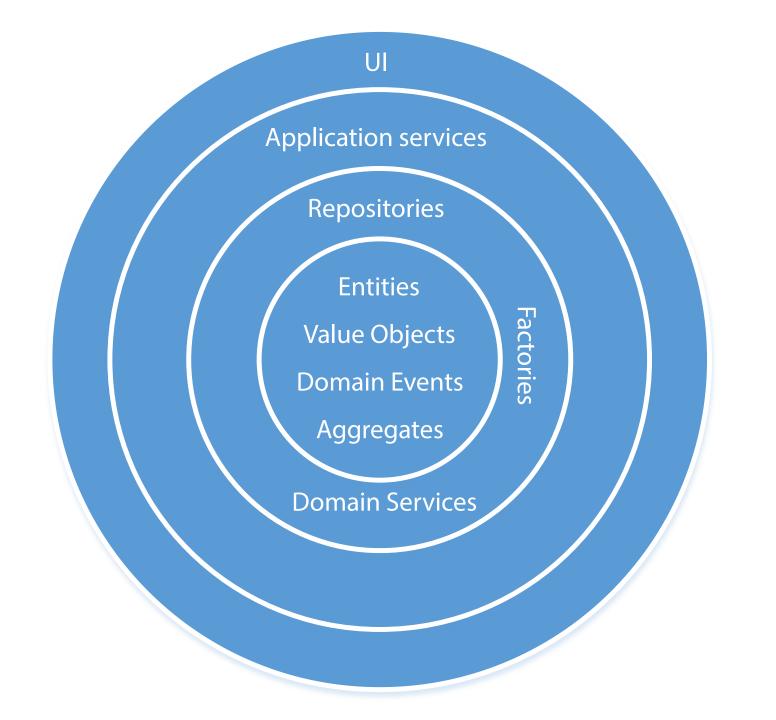
- Reference equality
- Identifier equality
- ☐ Should have an identity
- Single place for equality members

#### Value Object base class

- ☐ Reference equality
- ☐ Structural equality
- ☐ Don't have an identity
- No single place for equality members

## Value Objects vs. .NET Value Types





### When to Write Unit Tests

#### Test-First

☐ Know how the code should look like



#### Code-First

Experimenting with code

Details at http://bit.ly/1XF0J6H

### Recap: Money and Snack Machine

```
public sealed class Money : ValueObject<Money>
    public int OneCentCount { get; }
    public int TenCentCount { get; }
    public int QuarterCount { get; }
    public int OneDollarCount { get; }
    public int FiveDollarCount { get; }
    public int TwentyDollarCount { get; }
public sealed class SnackMachine : Entity
    public Money MoneyInside { get; private set; } = None;
    public Money MoneyInTransaction { get; private set; } = None;
```

## Recap: Money and Snack Machine

TDD

- ☐ Code-first approach for experiments
- ☐ Test-first approach after the experiments
- ☐ Always cover the model with unit tests

## Summary



- Start off by working on the core domain
- Begin with a single bounded context
- Constantly search for hidden abstractions
- 3 distinctions between Entities and Value Objects
  - Reference vs structural equality
  - Mutability vs immutability
  - Lifespan: Value Objects should belong to Entities

### Summary



- Compare Value Object to Integers
- Move logic from Entities to Value Objects
- Don't use .NET structs to represent Value Objects
- TDD and DDD

### In the Next Module

User Interface and Persistence



