



# CS 2530

Midterm Prep



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- Supports strong separation of content and presentation =>  
software developers and graphical designers can work simultaneously

# WPF: Creating Layout

- Layout provides ordered way to place UI elements
- Manages size and position of those UI elements when UI is resized
- Layout controls:
  - Canvas
  - StackPanel
  - WrapPanel
  - DockPanel
  - Grid

# SPEED THINK - TEST ROUND



Pair up - stand up 

You have 1 min to brain storm everything that you know

about . . . .

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about **Event Handling**

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I/O

# using

## using directive

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# TODO:

- ( *IDisposable*, *IEnumerable*, *ISerializable* )

The using statement provides a convenient syntax that ensures the correct use of \_\_\_\_\_ objects.

# TODO:

- ( ensures, can't ensure )

The using statement \_\_\_\_\_  
that Dispose is called when an exception occurs

# TODO:

- ( *class, method, namespace, project* )

The using directive allows you to use types in a  
\_\_\_\_\_ without fully  
qualifying them





**TODO:**

Take 1 min to discuss:

Event handling in Java vs C#

# Serialization

To serialize an object you need 3 things:

1. The **object** to be serialized
2. A **stream** to contain the serialized object
3. A **formatter**

Apply the **Serializable** attribute to a type to indicate that instances of this type can be serialized

# Serialization

- Serialization is the process of converting an object into a serial format (e.g. stream of bytes or XML) so it can be stored or transmitted.
- 2 main purposes:
  - To save the state of an object in order to be able to recreate it when needed.
  - To transport the state of an object over a network
- The reverse process is called deserialization.



**TODO:**

Take 1 min to discuss:

Binary vs XML Serialization

Type (formatter)	Binary Formatter	XmlSerializer class
Best performance	Yes	No
Readable with other platforms (non .NET)	No	Yes
Serialize object private members	Yes (deep serialization)	No (shallow serialization)
Serialize generic collections (*)	Yes	Yes
Easy control of how each member is serialized	No (**)	Yes (by using attributes)
Saves metadata in output stream for deserialization	Yes	No

(\*\*) ... possible but not easy

# File I/O

- `StreamReader`
- `StreamWriter`

# File I/O

- StreamReader .. TextReader
- StreamWriter .. TextWriter

# FileStream vs StreamWriter

- **FileStream** is a Stream

Streams only deal with `byte[]` data

- **StreamWriter** is a TextWriter

It converts text (string or char) to `byte[]` data for the underlying stream



# ad Files **TODO:**

An example of when a file should \* *NOT* \* be used is:

- a) to save the status of a video game for another session.
- b) to save the value of a local variable at runtime.
- c) to log errors during the execution of a program.
- d) these are all good examples of when files should be used.

# TODO:

- Which of the following is NOT required for serialization?
  - a) Formatter
  - b) Network Connection
  - c) Object
  - d) Stream



# DELEGATES

# Delegates

- A delegate is a **type** that **defines a method signature**.
- When you create an instance of a delegate, you can **associate it with any method that matches its signature**.
- You can **invoke** (or call) the method **through the delegate instance**.

# Delegates

- Conceptually **like function templates** - they express a contract a function must adhere to in order to be considered of the 'type' of the delegate.
- Similar to function pointers but **type-safe**
- Once a **delegate** is assigned a method, it **behaves** exactly **like** that **method**.
- Derive from `System.Delegate` (abstract class)

# Generic delegates

- Used to pass methods as a parameter
- **Action<T>** delegate

Return type: **void**; One parameter of type T

Has overloaded versions for multiple parameters

- **Func<T, TResult>** delegate

Return type: **TResult**; one parameter of type T

Has overloaded versions for multiple parameters

Return type is always last parameter

# Example

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## EXERCISE A

# Lambda Expressions

- They are **anonymous functions**
- Can be associated with delegates
- Lambda operator  $\Rightarrow$  reads as “goes to”

# Expression Lambdas

`(input parameters) => expression`

- Returns the result of an expression
- Examples:

```
(x, y) => x == y
```

```
(int x, string s) => s.Length > x
```

```
() => SomeMethod()
```

```
x => x * x
```

# Statement Lambdas

`(input parameters) => { statement; }`

- Can include multiple statements; typically  $\leq 3$
- Examples:

```
(i1, i2) => { return i1 + i2; }
```

```
(int x) => {  
    x++;  
    Console.WriteLine("x ..{0}", x);  
}
```



## EXERCISE B

if time: EXERCISE C



# ITERATOR



# Iterator Design Pattern

- Encapsulated in the IEnumerable and IEnumerator interfaces and their generic counterparts.
- Basic idea:  
As a data consumer, you can ask an IEnumerable for an IEnumerator by calling the GetEnumerator() method. Once you have an IEnumerator you can iterate over the content using the IEnumerator members Reset, Current, and MoveNext

# Iterator

- An iterator is a section of code that returns an ordered sequence of values of the same type
- Iterator use the **yield return** statement to return each element in turn
- Return type must be one of these 4 types:

`IEnumerable`

`IEnumerable<T>`

`IEnuemrator`

`IEnumerator<T>`

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- Foreach can iterate directly on the class instance

```
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# yield

- When **yield return** statement is reached, the current location is stored
- Execution is started from that location the next time the iterator is called
- **yield break** ends the iteration
- There can be multiple **yield return** statements in an iterator
- FYI: The compiler translates the iterator into a nested class that is, in effect, a state machine



LINQ

# LINQ

- Language **IN**tegrated **Q**uery
- Enables you to query and manipulate data independent of data sources
- Allows native data querying in C# (and VB)



# Why LINQ

- Single Query Language for multiple data sources
- Compile-Time Name and Type Checking
- Wide range of operators provided
- Concise and clear way to express a query
- Declarative approach makes queries easier to understand

# Query Syntax

- **Declarative** - similar to SQL
- For many **easier to read**

```
IEnumerable<int> sortedEvenNumbers =  
    from num in numbers  
    where num % 2 == 0  
    orderby num  
    select num;
```

# Method Syntax

- **Calls Standard Query Operators** directly on source collections
- **More powerful.** Some query operators can only be called in method syntax

Example:

```
IEnumerable<int> numQuery2 =  
    (from num in Numbers  
     where (num % 2 == 0)  
     select num).Distinct();
```

Mixed Syntax

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Method Syntax

# Query / Method Syntax

- No semantic or performance difference between query syntax and method syntax

# Standard Query Operators

- Set of methods declared in the static class `System.Query.Sequence`
- Most Standard Query Operators are extension methods extending `IEnumerable<T>`
- API that enables querying of any .NET array or collection, that implements `IEnumerable<T>`.

## Exercise E : Mark the following language features:

Anonymous Type, Extension Method, Lambda Expression, Object Initializer, Type Inference,

```
e.g. // Query Syntax
var result = from s in students
              where s.DateOfBirth.Year > 1989
              select new { s.Name, s.DateOfBirth };
```

```
e.g. // OO or Method Syntax
var result = students
    .Where(s => s.DateOfBirth.Year > 1989)
    .Select(s => new {s.Name, s.DateOfBirth});
```



## [ EXERCISE E ]



# LINQ - Language Features

e.g.

```
var result = from s in students
```

Type Inference

```
where s.DateOfBirth.Year > 1989
```

```
select new {s.Name, s.DateOfBirth};
```

Anonymous type

Object Initializer

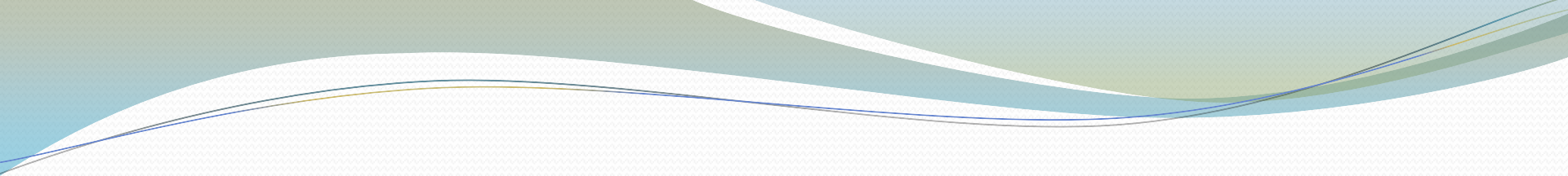
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Lambda Expression

Extension .Where(s => s.DateOfBirth.Year > 1989)

methods .Select(s => new {s.Name, s.DateOfBirth});



<b>Delegates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anonymous functions</li></ul>
<b>Lambda Expressions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Types that define a method signature</li></ul>
<b>Iterator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Set of methods that enables querying of any .NET array or collection, that implements <code>IEnumerable&lt;T&gt;</code>.</li></ul>
<b>Standard Query Operators</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Section of code that returns an ordered sequence of values of the same type</li></ul>