

Treating All Objects as Values



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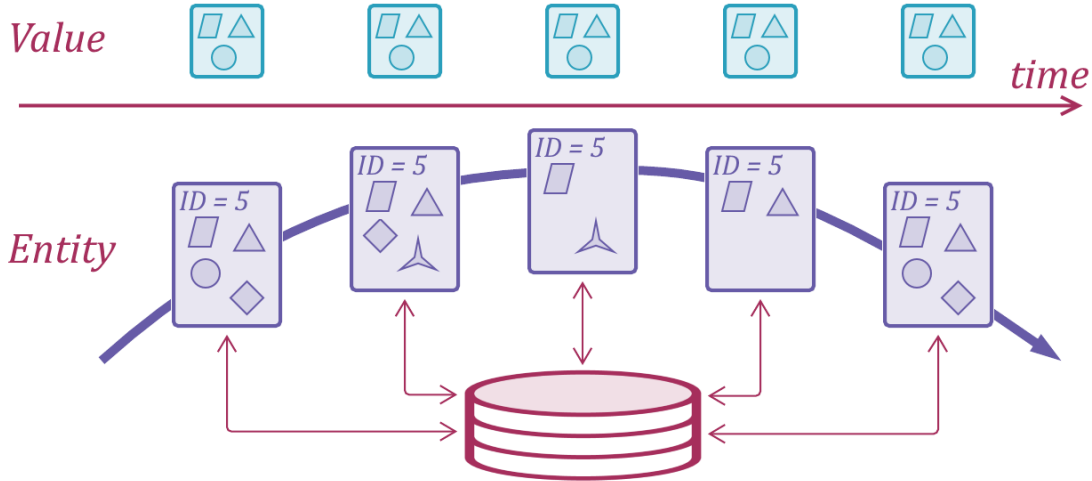
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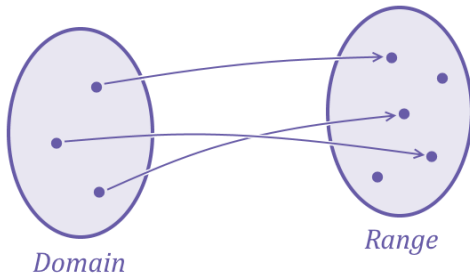


Values vs. Entities



Function as a Mapping

Mathematics



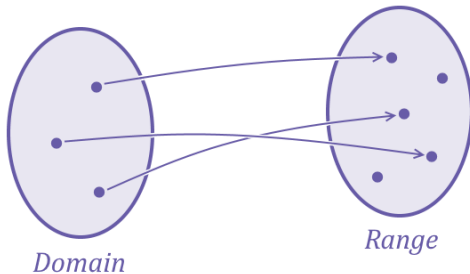
Programming

```
f()  
=====  
return res;
```



Function as a Mapping

Mathematics



Programming

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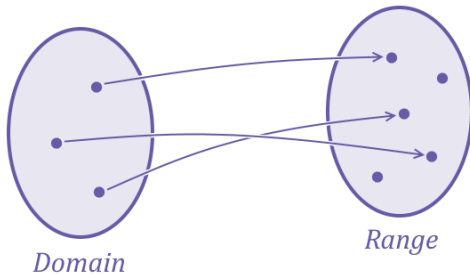
Arguments

Result



Function as a Mapping

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Programming

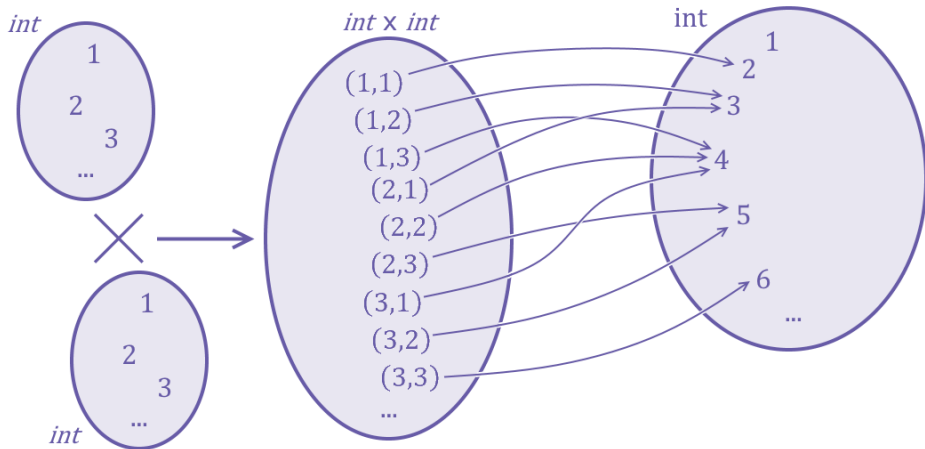
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Add(a, b) => a + b;

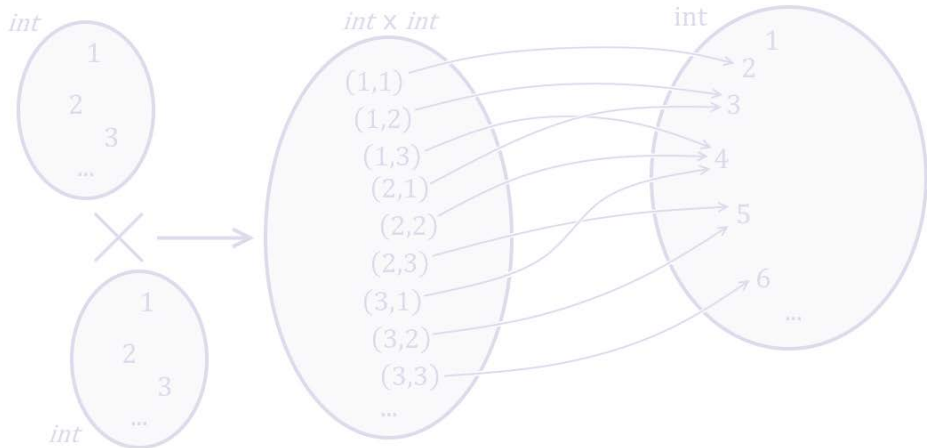


Mapping Multiple Arguments



Mapping Multiple Arguments

```
int Add( (int a, int b) tuple) => tuple.a + tuple.b;
```



Understanding Currying



Haskell Curry

Currying

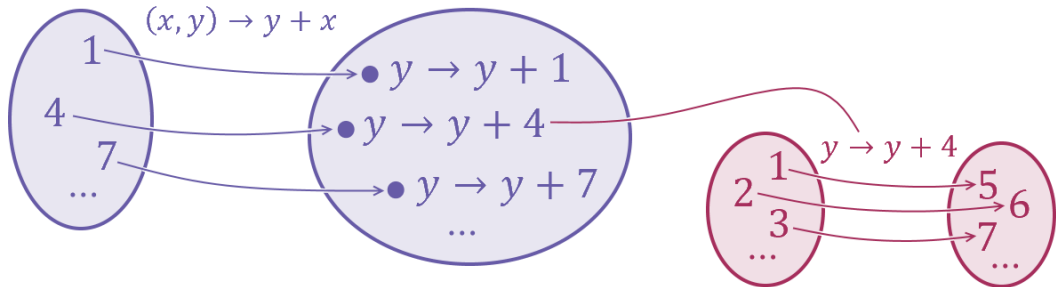
Transforming a multi-argument function into a series of one-argument functions

Haskell programming language

Named after Haskell Curry



Understanding Currying



Currying in F#

```
let add a b = a + b  
int → (int → int)
```

Currying in C#

No built-in support

Inventing Pure Functions

Receives and
returns values

Programmatic functions correspond to mappings in mathematics

Values are immutable

Values can be compared for equality



Inventing Pure Functions

Receives and
returns values

No observable
side effects

**Function produces no side effects
meaningful to the program**

Function only depends on its arguments



Inventing Pure Functions

Receives and
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No observable
side effects

Always returns
the same result

**Function returns the same value when
invoked with same arguments again**



Inventing Pure Functions

Receives and
returns values

No observable
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Always returns
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Referentially
transparent

**Pure function can be replaced with the
value it produces for given arguments**

**Only a side-effect-free function operating
on values can be pure**



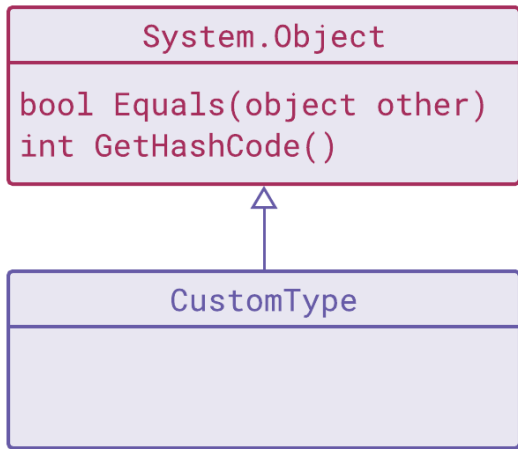
Value Equivalence in .NET

CustomType

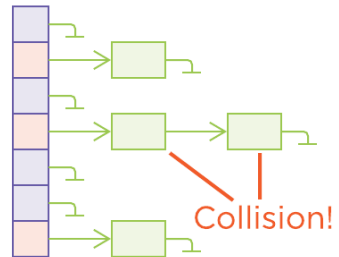
```
bool Equals(object other)  
int GetHashCode()
```

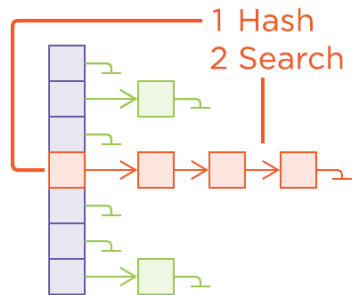


Value Equivalence in .NET



Hash table





Equivalence relation

binary

ternary

...

(a, b) – values **a** and **b** are in relation

Denoted: $a \sim b$

Equivalence relation

binary

ternary

...

(1, 1)

~~(3, 1)~~

(17, 17)

~~(17, 26)~~

(0, 0)

~~(0, 7)~~

(-6, -6)

~~(-6, 6)~~

(a, b) – values **a** and **b** are in relation

Denoted: $a \sim b$

Reflexive - $a \sim a$

Symmetric - $a \sim b$ if and only if $b \sim a$

Transitive - $a \sim b$ and $b \sim c$ then $a \sim c$

Equivalence relation

Equality (programming)

Is an object `a` equal to another object `b`?

`expr` equal to `5`

`5` not equal to `expr`

`a` equal to `3`

`3` not equal to `a`

Reflexive - $a \sim a$

Symmetric - $a \sim b$ if and only if $b \sim a$

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Equivalence relation

Equality (programming)

`Object.Equals()` - returns **True** on equal objects

`Object.GetHashCode()` - returns same value from equal objects

Used to define equivalence relation on a single class

Reflexive - $a \sim a$

Symmetric - $a \sim b$ if and only if $b \sim a$

Transitive - $a \sim b$ and $b \sim c$ then $a \sim c$

Summary



GetHashCode and Equals methods

- Implement equivalence relation
- Lets you use an object as the key

Value-typed semantic

- Class implements equivalence via GetHashCode and Equals
- Class is immutable



Summary



Implementing pure functions

- Arguments are value objects
- Return value is a value object
- No observable side effects

Referential transparency

- Applied to pure functions
- Function is interchangeable with the value it produces
- No need to call the function twice with same argument values

Next module:

Controlling Execution Flow
with Pattern Matching

