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 LINQ IMPLEMENTATION REFERENCE DOCUMENT

 Utility Management System - .NET Backend

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This document provides a comprehensive overview of all LINQ (Language Integrated Query) implementations used throughout the Utility Management API project.

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1. BILL SERVICE (BillService.cs)

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Location: Services/Implementations/BillService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Include() / ThenInclude() - Eager loading related entities
- FirstOrDefaultAsync() - Finding single records
- Where() - Filtering data
- OrderByDescending() / ThenByDescending() - Sorting
- Skip() / Take() - Pagination
- Select() - Projection to DTOs
- ToListAsync() - Materializing queries
- AnyAsync() - Existence checks
- CountAsync() - Counting records
- Distinct() - Removing duplicates
- SumAsync() - Aggregation

EXAMPLES:

a) Eager Loading with Include/ThenInclude (Lines 41-50):

```
var bill = await _context.Bills
    .Include(b => b.Connection)
      .ThenInclude(c => c.Consumer)
        .ThenInclude(co => co.User)
    .Include(b => b.Connection)
      .ThenInclude(c => c.UtilityType)
    .Include(b => b.Connection)
      .ThenInclude(c => c.TariffPlan)
    .Include(b => b.Payment)
    .FirstOrDefaultAsync(b => b.BillNumber == billNumber);
```

b) Filtering with Where (Lines 71-72):

```
.Where(b => b.ConnectionId == connectionId)
```

```

.OrderByDescending(b => b.BillingYear)

c) Multiple Filters with Conditional Where (Lines 117-134):
-----
if (!string.IsNullOrEmpty(status))
    query = query.Where(b => b.Status == statusEnum);

if (billingMonth.HasValue)
    query = query.Where(b => b.BillingMonth == billingMonth.Value);

if (!string.IsNullOrEmpty(paginationParams.SearchTerm))
    query = query.Where(b =>
        b.BillNumber.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm) ||
        b.Connection.Consumer.ConsumerNumber.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm) ||
        b.Connection.Consumer.User.FirstName.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm));

d) Pagination with Skip/Take (Lines 150-155):
-----
var bills = await query
    .OrderByDescending(b => b.BillingYear)
    .ThenByDescending(b => b.BillingMonth)
    .Skip((paginationParams.PageNumber - 1) * paginationParams.PageSize)
    .Take(paginationParams.PageSize)
    .Select(b => new BillListDto { ... })
    .ToListAsync();

e) Existence Check with AnyAsync (Lines 207-212):
-----
if (await _context.Bills.AnyAsync(b =>
    b.ConnectionId == dto.ConnectionId &&
    b.BillingMonth == dto.BillingMonth &&
    b.BillingYear == dto.BillingYear))

f) Bulk Bill Generation with Distinct (Lines 318-328):
-----
connectionIds = await _context.MeterReadings
    .Where(m => m.BillingMonth == dto.BillingMonth &&
        m.BillingYear == dto.BillingYear &&
        !billedMeterReadingIds.Contains(m.Id))
    .Select(m => m.ConnectionId)
    .Distinct()
    .ToListAsync();

```

2. CONSUMER SERVICE (ConsumerService.cs)

Location: Services/Implementations/ConsumerService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Include() / ThenInclude() - Eager loading
- FirstOrDefaultAsync() - Single record retrieval
- Where() - Filtering
- OrderBy() / OrderByDescending() / ThenBy() - Sorting
- Skip() / Take() - Pagination
- Select() - Projection
- CountAsync() - Counting

EXAMPLES:

a) Complex Include Chain (Lines 24-30):

```

-----
var consumer = await _context.Consumers
    .Include(c => c.User)
    .Include(c => c.Connections)
        .ThenInclude(conn => conn.UtilityType)
    .Include(c => c.Connections)
        .ThenInclude(conn => conn.TariffPlan)
    .FirstOrDefaultAsync(c => c.Id == id);

```

b) Dynamic Sorting with Switch Expression (Lines 99-109):

```

-----
query = paginationParams.SortBy?.ToLower() switch
{
    "name" => paginationParams.SortDescending
        ? query.OrderByDescending(c => c.User.LastName)
            .ThenByDescending(c => c.User.FirstName)
        : query.OrderBy(c => c.User.LastName)
            .ThenBy(c => c.User.FirstName),
    "consumernumber" => paginationParams.SortDescending
        ? query.OrderByDescending(c => c.ConsumerNumber)
        : query.OrderBy(c => c.ConsumerNumber),
    _ => query.OrderByDescending(c => c.CreatedAt),
};

```

c) Projection to DTO with Nested Count (Lines 116-128):

```

-----
var consumers = await query
    .Skip((paginationParams.PageNumber - 1) * paginationParams.PageSize)
    .Take(paginationParams.PageSize)
    .Select(c => new ConsumerListDto
    {
        Id = c.Id,
        ConsumerNumber = c.ConsumerNumber,
        FullName = $"{c.User.FirstName} {c.User.LastName}",
        TotalConnections = c.Connections.Count, // Nested Count
        IsActive = c.IsActive,
    })
    .ToListAsync();

```

3. CONNECTION SERVICE (ConnectionService.cs)

Location: Services/Implementations/ConnectionService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Include() / ThenInclude() - Eager loading
- OrderByDescending() - Sorting within Include
- Take() - Limiting results within Include
- FirstOrDefaultAsync() - Single record
- Where() - Filtering
- Select() - Projection

EXAMPLES:

a) Filtered Include with OrderBy and Take (Lines 21-27):

```

-----
var connection = await _context.Connections
    .Include(c => c.Consumer)
    .ThenInclude(co => co.User)

```

```

.Include(c => c.UtilityType)
.Include(c => c.TariffPlan)
.Include(c => c.MeterReadings.OrderByDescending(m => m.ReadingDate).Take(1))
.FirstOrDefaultAsync(c => c.Id == id);

```

b) Multiple Condition Filter (Lines 92-99):

```

-----
if (!string.IsNullOrEmpty(paginationParams.SearchTerm))
{
    query = query.Where(c =>
        c.ConnectionNumber.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm) ||
        c.MeterNumber.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm) ||
        c.Consumer.ConsumerNumber.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm) ||
        c.Consumer.User.FirstName.ToLower().Contains(searchTerm));
}

```

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4. CONNECTION REQUEST SERVICE (ConnectionRequestService.cs)

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Location: Services/Implementations/ConnectionRequestService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Where() - Filtering
- Select() - Projection
- Distinct() - Removing duplicates
- OrderByDescending() / OrderBy() - Sorting
- Skip() / Take() - Pagination
- Contains() - Collection membership check
- Concat() - Combining collections

EXAMPLES:

a) Getting Available Utilities (Exclude already connected) (Lines 210-231):

```

-----
var existingConnectionUtilityIds = await _context.Connections
    .Where(c => c.ConsumerId == consumer.Id &&
        (c.Status == ConnectionStatus.Active || c.Status == ConnectionStatus.Suspended)
    .Select(c => c.UtilityTypeId)
    .ToListAsync();

var pendingRequestUtilityIds = await _context.ConnectionRequests
    .Where(r => r.ConsumerId == consumer.Id &&
        r.Status == ConnectionRequestStatus.Pending)
    .Select(r => r.UtilityTypeId)
    .ToListAsync();

var excludedUtilityIds = existingConnectionUtilityIds
    .Concat(pendingRequestUtilityIds)
    .Distinct()
    .ToList();

var availableUtilities = await _context.UtilityTypes
    .Where(u => u.IsActive && !excludedUtilityIds.Contains(u.Id))
    .Include(u => u.TariffPlans.Where(t => t.IsActive))
    .Select(u => new AvailableUtilityDto { ... })
    .ToListAsync();

```

b) Complex Projection with Nested Select (Lines 232-248):

```

-----
.Select(u => new AvailableUtilityDto

```

```

{
    Id = u.Id,
    Name = u.Name,
    TariffPlans = u.TariffPlans.Select(t => new AvailableTariffPlanDto
    {
        Id = t.Id,
        Name = t.Name,
        RatePerUnit = t.RatePerUnit,
        FixedCharges = t.FixedCharges,
    }).ToList(),
})

```

c) Generating Sequential Numbers (Lines 459-460):

```

-----
var lastRequest = await _context.ConnectionRequests
    .Where(r => r.RequestNumber.StartsWith(prefix))
    .OrderByDescending(r => r.RequestNumber)
    .FirstOrDefaultAsync();

```

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5. METER READING SERVICE (MeterReadingService.cs)

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Location: Services/Implementations/MeterReadingService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Include() / ThenInclude() - Deep eager loading
- Where() - Filtering
- Select() - Projection
- ToListAsync() - Materialization

EXAMPLES:

a) Deep Include Chain (Lines 28-34):

```

-----
await _context.MeterReadings
    .Include(m => m.Connection)
        .ThenInclude(c => c.Consumer)
            .ThenInclude(co => co.User)
    .Include(m => m.Connection)
        .ThenInclude(c => c.UtilityType)
    .Include(m => m.ReadByUser)
    .Include(m => m.Bill)

```

b) Filter by Connection (Lines 55-61):

```

-----
.Where(m => m.ConnectionId == connectionId)
...
readings.Select(MapToDto).ToList()

```

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6. PAYMENT SERVICE (PaymentService.cs)

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Location: Services/Implementations/PaymentService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Where() - Filtering
- OrderByDescending() - Sorting
- Sum() - Aggregation
- GroupBy() - Grouping
- ToDictionary() - Converting to dictionary

EXAMPLES:

a) Multiple Date Range Filters (Lines 113-123):

```
-----  
if (!string.IsNullOrEmpty(paymentMethod))  
    query = query.Where(p => p.PaymentMethod == method);  
  
if (fromDate.HasValue)  
    query = query.Where(p => p.PaymentDate >= fromDate.Value);  
  
if (toDate.HasValue)  
    query = query.Where(p => p.PaymentDate <= toDate.Value);
```

b) Payment Summary with GroupBy and Sum (Lines 315-322):

```
-----  
var summary = new PaymentSummaryDto  
{  
    TotalAmount = payments.Sum(p => p.Amount),  
    PaymentMethodBreakdown = payments  
        .GroupBy(p => p.PaymentMethod.ToString())  
        .ToDictionary(g => g.Key, g => g.Sum(p => p.Amount)),  
    TodayCollection = payments  
        .Where(p => p.PaymentDate.Date == today)  
        .Sum(p => p.Amount),  
    MonthCollection = payments  
        .Where(p => p.PaymentDate >= startOfMonth)  
        .Sum(p => p.Amount),  
};
```

7. TARIFF PLAN SERVICE (TariffPlanService.cs)

Location: Services/Implementations/TariffPlanService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:

- Where() - Filtering
- OrderBy() / ThenBy() - Sorting
- Select() - Projection
- Skip() / Take() - Pagination
- Count() - Counting with predicate

EXAMPLES:

a) Chained Filtering and Sorting (Lines 46-57):

```
-----  
if (isActive.HasValue)  
    query = query.Where(t => t.IsActive == isActive.Value);  
  
if (utilityTypeId.HasValue)  
    query = query.Where(t => t.UtilityTypeId == utilityTypeId.Value);  
  
var tariffPlans = await query  
    .OrderBy(t => t.UtilityType.Name)  
    .ThenBy(t => t.Name)  
    .Select(t => MapToDto(t))  
    .ToListAsync();
```

b) Count with Predicate (Lines 236, 292):

```
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```

```

var activeConnectionsCount = tariffPlan.Connections.Count(c =>
    c.Status == ConnectionStatus.Active);

tariffPlan.Connections?.Count(c => c.Status == ConnectionStatus.Active) ?? 0
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8. UTILITY TYPE SERVICE (UtilityTypeService.cs)
=====
Location: Services/Implementations/UtilityTypeService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:
- Where() - Conditional filtering
- OrderBy() - Sorting
- Select() - Projection
- Any() - Existence check on collections

EXAMPLES:

a) Conditional Query Building (Lines 43-46):
-----
if (isActive.HasValue)
    query = query.Where(u => u.IsActive == isActive.Value);

var utilityTypes = await query
    .OrderBy(u => u.Name)
    .Select(u => MapToDto(u))
    .ToListAsync();

b) Checking Related Data Before Delete (Lines 167-174):
-----
if (utilityType.Connections.Any())
    return ApiResponse<bool>.ErrorResponse("Cannot delete: active connections exist");

if (utilityType.TariffPlans.Any())
    return ApiResponse<bool>.ErrorResponse("Cannot delete: tariff plans exist");

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9. BILLING CYCLE SERVICE (BillingCycleService.cs)
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Location: Services/Implementations/BillingCycleService.cs

LINQ Methods Used:
- Include() - Eager loading
- FirstOrDefaultAsync() - Single record
- Where() - Filtering
- OrderByDescending() / ThenByDescending() - Sorting
- AnyAsync() - Existence check

EXAMPLES:

a) Get Current Billing Cycle (Lines 42-46):
-----
var cycle = await _context.BillingCycles
    .Include(bc => bc.CreatedByUser)
    .FirstOrDefaultAsync(bc => bc.Month == currentMonth && bc.Year == currentYear);

b) Sorted List Query (Lines 64-68):
-----
var cycles = await query
    .OrderByDescending(bc => bc.Year)

```

```
.ThenByDescending(bc => bc.Month)
.ToListAsync();
```

```
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10. NOTIFICATION SERVICE (NotificationService.cs)
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```

```
Location: Services/Implementations/NotificationService.cs
```

LINQ Methods Used:

- Where() - Filtering
- OrderByDescending() - Sorting
- Take() - Limiting results
- Select() - Projection
- CountAsync() - Counting

EXAMPLES:

a) Get User Notifications with Filters (Lines 33-45):

```
-----
var query = _context.Notifications
    .Where(n => n.UserId == userId)
    .AsQueryable();

if (isRead.HasValue)
    query = query.Where(n => n.IsRead == isRead.Value);

var notifications = await query
    .OrderByDescending(n => n.CreatedAt)
    .Take(100)
    .Select(n => MapToDto(n))
    .ToListAsync();
```

b) Get Unread Notifications for Batch Update (Lines 109-113):

```
-----
var notifications = await _context.Notifications
    .Where(n => n.UserId == userId && !n.IsRead)
    .ToListAsync();
```

```
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11. REPORT SERVICE (ReportService.cs) - MOST COMPREHENSIVE LINQ USAGE
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```

```
Location: Services/Implementations/ReportService.cs
```

LINQ Methods Used:

- Where() - Filtering
- Select() - Projection
- GroupBy() - Grouping data
- Sum() / Average() / Min() / Max() - Aggregations
- Count() - Counting
- Distinct() - Unique values
- OrderBy() / OrderByDescending() - Sorting
- Take() - Limiting results
- Concat() - Combining sequences
- ToDictionary() - Converting to dictionary
- ContainsKey() - Dictionary lookup

EXAMPLES:

a) Dashboard Summary - Multiple Aggregations (Lines 39-49):

```
-----
```



```

var revenueThisMonth = await _context.Payments
    .Where(p => p.PaymentDate.Month == currentMonth &&
        p.PaymentDate.Year == currentYear &&
        p.Status == PaymentStatus.Completed)
    .SumAsync(p => p.Amount);

var totalOutstanding = await _context.Bills
    .Where(b => b.OutstandingBalance > 0)
    .SumAsync(b => b.OutstandingBalance);

```

b) Complex GroupBy with Aggregations (Lines 126-135):

```

-----
var consumptionGroups = meterReadingsWithUtility
    .GroupBy(m => new { m.UtilityTypeName, m.Unit })
    .ToDictionary(
        g => g.Key.UtilityTypeName,
        g => new
        {
            TotalConsumption = g.Sum(m => m.UnitsConsumed),
            ConnectionCount = g.Select(m => m.ConnectionId).Distinct().Count(),
            Unit = g.Key.Unit,
        });

```

c) Combining Activities with Concat and Sorting (Lines 99-103):

```

-----
var recentActivities = recentBills
    .Concat(recentPayments)
    .OrderByDescending(a => a.Timestamp)
    .Take(10)
    .ToList();

```

d) Monthly Revenue Report with GroupBy (Lines 236-248):

```

-----
var byUtilityType = bills
    .GroupBy(b => b.Connection.UtilityType.Name)
    .Select(g => new UtilityRevenueDto
    {
        UtilityType = g.Key,
        BilledAmount = g.Sum(b => b.TotalAmount),
        Collected = payments
            .Where(p => p.Bill.Connection.UtilityType.Name == g.Key)
            .Sum(p => p.Amount),
        BillCount = g.Count(),
    })
    .ToList();

```

e) Outstanding Dues - Age Buckets with Where and Sum (Lines 316-348):

```

-----
var ageBuckets = new List<OutstandingByAgeDto>
{
    new OutstandingByAgeDto
    {
        AgeBucket = "Current (0-30 days)",
        Amount = outstandingBills
            .Where(b => today.DayNumber - b.DueDate.DayNumber <= 30)
            .Sum(b => b.OutstandingBalance),
        Count = outstandingBills
            .Count(b => today.DayNumber - b.DueDate.DayNumber <= 30),
    },

```

```

    // ... more buckets for 31-60, 61-90, Over 90 days
};

```

f) Top Defaulters with GroupBy and Complex Projection (Lines 358-378):

```

-----
var topDefaulters = outstandingBills
    .GroupBy(b => new
    {
        b.Connection.ConsumerId,
        b.Connection.Consumer.ConsumerNumber,
        ConsumerName = $"{b.Connection.Consumer.User.FirstName} {b.Connection.Consumer.User.LastName}"
    })
    .Select(g => new ConsumerOutstandingDto
    {
        ConsumerId = g.Key.ConsumerId,
        ConsumerNumber = g.Key.ConsumerNumber,
        PenaltyAmount = g.Sum(b => b.PenaltyAmount),
        DueAmount = g.Sum(b => b.OutstandingBalance - b.PenaltyAmount),
        OutstandingAmount = g.Sum(b => b.OutstandingBalance),
        OverdueBills = g.Count(b => b.DueDate < today),
        OldestDueDate = g.Min(b => b.DueDate),
    })
    .OrderByDescending(d => d.OutstandingAmount)
    .Take(10)
    .ToList();

```

g) Consumption Report with All Aggregations (Lines 424-440):

```

-----
var byUtilityType = readings
    .GroupBy(m => new { m.Connection.UtilityType.Name, m.Connection.UtilityType.UnitOfMeasurement })
    .Select(g => new UtilityConsumptionDetailDto
    {
        UtilityType = g.Key.Name,
        Unit = g.Key.UnitOfMeasurement,
        TotalConsumption = g.Sum(m => m.UnitsConsumed),
        AverageConsumption = g.Average(m => m.UnitsConsumed),
        MinConsumption = g.Min(m => m.UnitsConsumed),
        MaxConsumption = g.Max(m => m.UnitsConsumed),
        ConnectionCount = g.Count(),
    })
    .ToList();

```

h) Consumer Billing Summary with Nested LINQ (Lines 497-510):

```

-----
var connectionSummaries = consumer.Connections
    .Select(conn => new ConnectionBillingSummaryDto
    {
        ConnectionId = conn.Id,
        BillCount = bills.Count(b => b.ConnectionId == conn.Id),
        TotalBilled = bills.Where(b => b.ConnectionId == conn.Id).Sum(b => b.TotalAmount),
        TotalPaid = bills.Where(b => b.ConnectionId == conn.Id).Sum(b => b.AmountPaid),
        Outstanding = bills.Where(b => b.ConnectionId == conn.Id).Sum(b => b.OutstandingBalance),
        TotalConsumption = readings.Where(r => r.ConnectionId == conn.Id).Sum(r => r.UnitsConsumed),
    })
    .ToList();

```

i) Collection Report - Daily Grouping (Lines 542-553):

```

-----
var dailyCollections = payments

```

```

        .GroupBy(p => p.PaymentDate.Date)
        .Select(g => new DailyCollectionDto
        {
            Date = g.Key,
            Amount = g.Sum(p => p.Amount),
            PaymentCount = g.Count(),
        })
        .OrderBy(d => d.Date)
        .ToList();

```

j) Payment Method Breakdown with Percentage (Lines 558-567):

```

-----
var byPaymentMethod = payments
    .GroupBy(p => p.PaymentMethod.ToString())
    .Select(g => new PaymentMethodCollectionDto
    {
        PaymentMethod = g.Key,
        Amount = g.Sum(p => p.Amount),
        Count = g.Count(),
        Percentage = totalCollected > 0 ? (g.Sum(p => p.Amount) / totalCollected) * 100 : 0,
    })
    .ToList();

```

SUMMARY OF LINQ METHODS USED

Method	Description	Files Used
Include()	Eager loading related entities	All Service Files
ThenInclude()	Nested eager loading	All Service Files
Where()	Filtering records	All Service Files
Select()	Projection to DTOs/anonymous types	All Service Files
FirstOrDefaultAsync()	Get single record or null	All Service Files
ToListAsync()	Materialize query to list	All Service Files
OrderBy()	Ascending sort	Most Service Files
OrderByDescending()	Descending sort	Most Service Files
ThenBy()	Secondary ascending sort	Consumer, Tariff Service
ThenByDescending()	Secondary descending sort	Bill, BillingCycle Serv
Skip()	Skip records for pagination	Paginated queries
Take()	Take limited records	Paginated queries
CountAsync()	Count records asynchronously	Paginated, Dashboard qu
Count()	Count with predicate	TariffPlan, Report Serv
AnyAsync()	Check existence asynchronously	Bill, BillingCycle Serv
Any()	Check if collection has elements	UtilityType Service
Sum() / SumAsync()	Sum aggregation	Payment, Report Service
Average()	Average aggregation	Report Service
Min()	Minimum value	Report Service
Max()	Maximum value	Report Service
GroupBy()	Group records	Payment, Report Service
ToDictionary()	Convert to dictionary	Payment, Report Service
Distinct()	Remove duplicates	ConnectionRequest, Repo
Concat()	Combine sequences	Report Service
Contains()	Check membership	ConnectionRequest Servi

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