Aggregate Data in Collections



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Module Goals



Use aggregate functions

- Count
- Min / MinBy()
- Max / MaxBy()
- Average
- Sum

Use Aggregate() method

Aggregate by a group of data

More efficient aggregation

Aggregate Functions



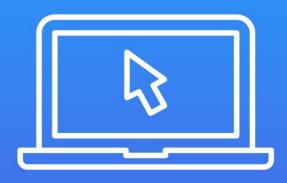
Aggregate Functions

Calculate a single value from a property in collection of objects

Aggregate method is applied after query executes





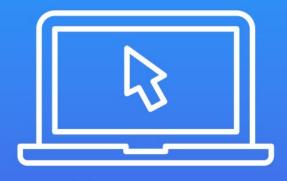


Count

Count using a filter

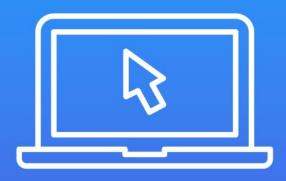
Other Aggregate Functions





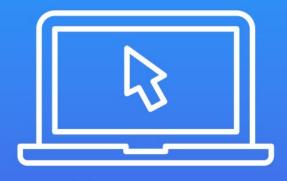
Min()
Max()





MinBy()
MaxBy()





Average()

Sum()

Aggregate Method



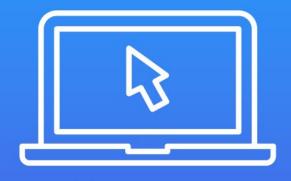
Aggregate Method

Iterate over collection

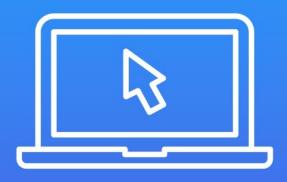
Supply a custom method for calculating

Returns a single value





Simulate Sum() using Aggregate



Aggregate using custom expression

Aggregate Using Grouping



Group Aggregation

Group products by size

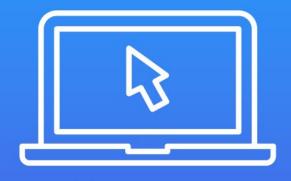
Calculate count, min, max and average for each size



Group Aggregation







Aggregate over a group of data

```
select new ProductStats
 Size = sizeGroup.Key,
 TotalProducts = sizeGroup.Count(),
 MinListPrice =
   sizeGroup.Min(s => s.ListPrice),
 MaxListPrice =
   sizeGroup.Max(s => s.ListPrice),
 AverageListPrice =
   sizeGroup.Average(s => s.ListPrice)
```

- ◆ Problem: each of the following lines of code loops through the entire collection each time
- **▲** Looping to get count
- **▲** Looping to get minimum

- **◄** Looping to get maximum
- **▲** Looping to get average



More Efficient Group Aggregation

Create class to hold accumulators

One property for each count, min, max, etc.

Use Aggregate() method

Only loops over data one time to gather statistics





More efficient aggregation using extension methods

Module Summary



Learned to use aggregate functions

Count(), Min(), MinBy(), Max(), MaxBy(),
 Sum(), and Average()

Learned to use Aggregate() method

Created a custom class with accumulators

Built more efficient method of aggregating groups of data

Up Next:

Use LINQ to Iterate over Collections

