

# Tuples and Deconstruction



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# Tuple

**“The tuples feature provides concise syntax to group multiple data elements in a lightweight data structure”**

**Example:**

```
var group = (order.OrderNumber, order.LineItems);
```



# Tuples are strongly typed



# Creating a Tuple



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```
var summary = (order.OrderNumber, order.Total);
```



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# Tuple vs Anonymous Type

**Tuple**

**Value type**

**Values stored in fields**

**Not immutable**

**Anonymous Type**

**Reference type**

**Values stored in properties with  
backing fields**

**Read-only**



# Tuple field names only tracked by the compiler



# Tuples are not read-only



# Creating and Using a Tuple

```
// Tuple assignment  
var summary = (order.OrderNumber,  
               order.Items,  
               Sum: GetSumFor(order));
```



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ValueTuple<Guid, IEnumerable<Item>, decimal>



# Creating and Using a Tuple

```
(Guid, IEnumerable<Item>, decimal) summary = (order.OrderNumber,  
                                              order.Items,  
                                              Sum:  
                                              GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Assignment



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```
var summary = (order.OrderNumber, order.Items, Sum: GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Assignment

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var summary = (order.OrderNumber, order.Items, Sum: GetSumFor(order));  
  
(Guid, IEnumerable<Item>, decimal)  
summary = (order.OrderNumber, order.Items, Sum: GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Assignment

```
(Guid, IEnumerable<Item>, decimal) summary = (OrderNumber, Items, Sum);
```



**Tuples support different types of assignments and deconstruction**



# The order of the elements is important!

The right hand side is assigned into the corresponding position on the left



# Tuples can be deconstructed!



This is a much more **flexible**  
**approach than** what we saw  
with the **anonymous type**



# Tuple Deconstruction

```
Guid orderNumber;  
decimal sum;
```

```
(orderNumber, var items, sum) = (OrderNumber, Items, Sum);
```



# Tuple Deconstruction

```
Guid orderNumber;  
decimal sum;
```

```
(orderNumber, var items, sum) = (OrderNumber, Items, Sum);
```



**The order and number of elements must match!**



# Tuples in C#

Powerful language feature

Deconstruction is useful in many situations



# Converting an Anonymous Type to a Tuple



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```
var group = new { order.OrderNumber, order.Total, Sum = order.Sum };
```

```
var group = (order.OrderNumber, order.Total, Sum: order.Sum);
```



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```



# Returning a Tuple



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```
public (Guid, int, decimal, IEnumerable<Item>) Process( . . . )
{
    return (order.OrderNumber, amountOfItems, GetTotalFor(order), items);
}
```



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```



# When Elements May Be Ignored

Only when explicitly defining a new tuple that is returned

```
(Guid id, int total) GetSummary()
{
    return (orderId: Guid.Empty, orderTotal: 10);
}
```

 (field) static readonly Guid Guid.Empty  
A read-only instance of the Guid structure whose value is all zeros.

CS8123: The tuple element name 'orderId' is ignored because a different name or no name is specified by the target type '(Guid id, int total)'.

Show potential fixes (Alt+Enter or Ctrl+.)



# Tuples can be parameters to methods as well



Can you create an extension  
method for a tuple?

Yes!



The **extension method** will work  
for all **tuples** with a matching  
**sequence of elements**



# Data binding?

# Stick to anonymous types!



# Deconstruction and Pattern Matching

```
if(order is (total: > 100, ready: true))  
{  
}  
}
```



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```
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{  
}  
}
```



# Deconstruct the Order



# Deconstruct the Order

```
var order = new Order();
```



# Deconstruct the Order

```
var order = new Order();
```

```
var (total, isReady) = order;
```



# Introducing the Deconstruct Method



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```
public void Deconstruct()  
{
```



# Introducing the Deconstruct Method

```
public void Deconstruct(out decimal total, out bool ready)
```



# Introducing the Deconstruct Method

```
public void Deconstruct(out decimal total, out bool ready)
{
    total = Total;
    ready = IsReadyForShipment;
}
```



# The result is not a tuple!

Deconstructing an object is  
always done into separate  
variables



# Deconstruction

```
var (total, isReady) = order;
```



```
decimal total2;  
bool ready;  
order.Deconstruct(out total2, out ready);  
decimal total = total2;  
bool isReady = ready;
```



# You can have multiple deconstruct methods

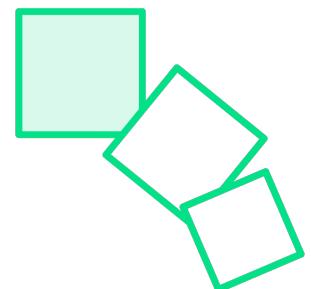
They need to have a different number of parameters!



You can create an extension method that deconstructs an object

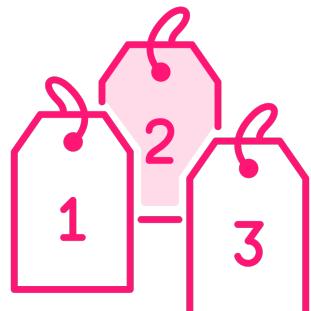


# Tuple



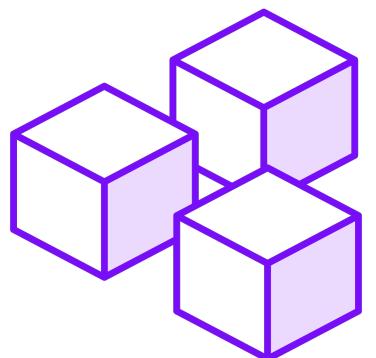
**A sequence of elements**

```
var summary = (orderNumber, total, items)
```



**Support named parameters**

```
(id: GetId(), total: GetTotal(), items: GetItems())
```



**Compiles to a generic struct**

```
System.ValueTuple<T1, T2, T3, ...>
```



# Tuple Assignment



# Tuple Assignment

```
var summary = (order.OrderNumber,  
               order.Items,  
               Sum: GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Deconstruction



# Tuple Deconstruction

```
(Guid orderNumber, IEnumerable<Item> items, decimal sum) summary =  
(order.OrderNumber, order.Items, GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Deconstruction

```
(Guid orderNumber, IEnumerable<Item> items, decimal sum) summary =  
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```

```
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(order.OrderNumber, order.Items, GetSumFor(order));
```



# Tuple Deconstruction into Existing Variables

```
Guid orderNumber;  
IEnumerable<Item> items;  
decimal sum;  
  
(orderNumber, items, sum) summary =  
(order.OrderNumber, order.Items, GetSumFor(order));
```



# Discard

```
(orderNumber, items, _) summary = Process();
```



# Discard

```
(orderNumber, items, _) summary = Process();
```



If this **returns** a **tuple** with **3 elements** it **has to be assigned** to a tuple with a **matching number of elements**



# Tuples as Return Types



# Tuples as Return Types

```
(Guid id, int total) GetSummary() => (order.Id, order.Total)
```

```
var (orderNumber, total) = GetSummary();
```



# Tuples as Return Types

```
(Guid id, int total) GetSummary() => (order.Id, order.Total)
```

```
var (orderNumber, total) = GetSummary();
```

```
var (total , orderNumber) = GetSummary();
```



**The id is stored in the local variable total  
The order is important!**



# Deconstruct any type!

Just add a deconstruct  
method to the type or as an  
extension method



# Deconstruct



# Deconstruct

```
public class Order  
{
```

```
}
```



# Deconstruct

```
public class Order
{
    public void Deconstruct(
    {
        }
    }
}
```



# Deconstruct

```
public class Order
{
    public void Deconstruct(out decimal total, out bool ready)
    {
        total = Total;
        ready = IsReadyForShipment;
    }
}
```



# Deconstruct

```
public class Order
{
    public void Deconstruct(out decimal total, out bool ready)
    {
        total = Total;
        ready = IsReadyForShipment;
    }
}

var order = new Order();
var (orderTotal, isReady) = order;
```



# Deconstruct can be an extension method



# Example: **KeyValuePair< TKey, TValue >**



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```
var dictionary = new Dictionary<string, Order>();  
  
foreach (var (orderId, theOrder) in dictionary)  
{  
  
}
```



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foreach (var (orderId, theOrder) in dictionary)  
{  
}  
}
```



The **KeyValuePair** implements a **deconstruct** that supports this



**Up Next:**

# **Pattern Matching**

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