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## Dynamisch und Gefährlich?

C# Dynamics in freier Wildbahn

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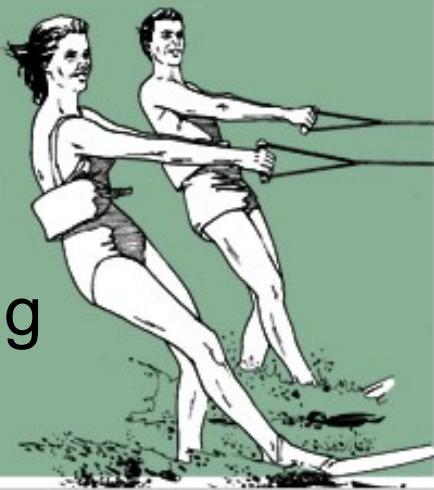
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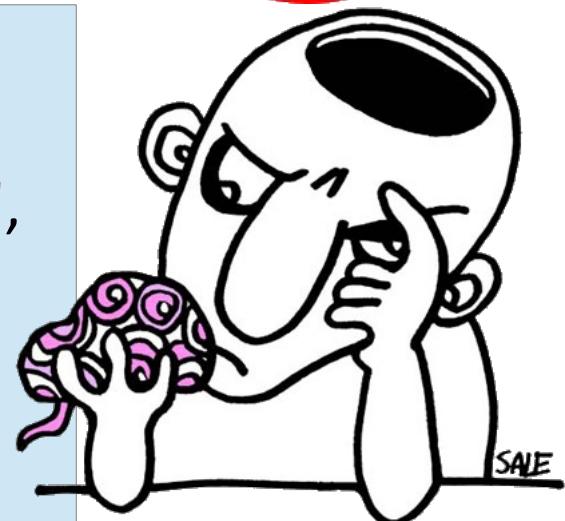
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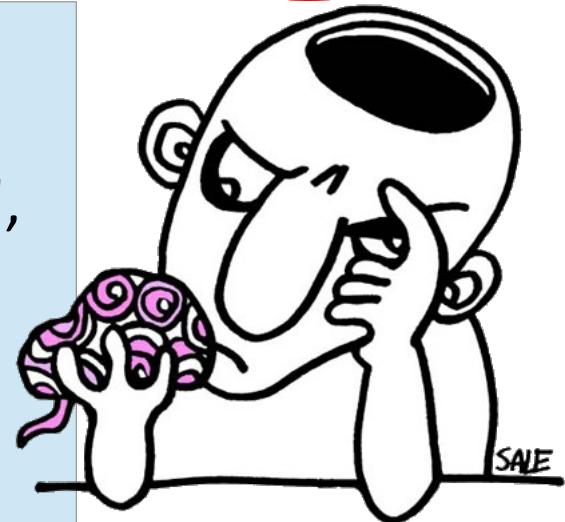
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SIMPLY EXPLAINED - PART 34: DUCK TYPING



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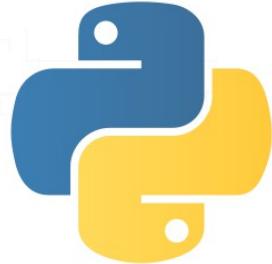
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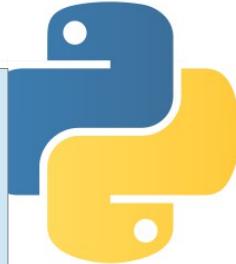
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#Python script.py
def add(a, b):
    return a + b
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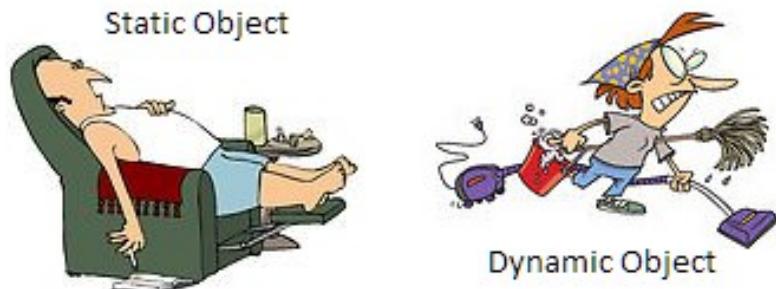
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var pythonRuntime = Python.CreateRuntime();
dynamic pythonScript =
    pythonRuntime.UseFile("script.py");
var result = pythonScript.add(100, 200));
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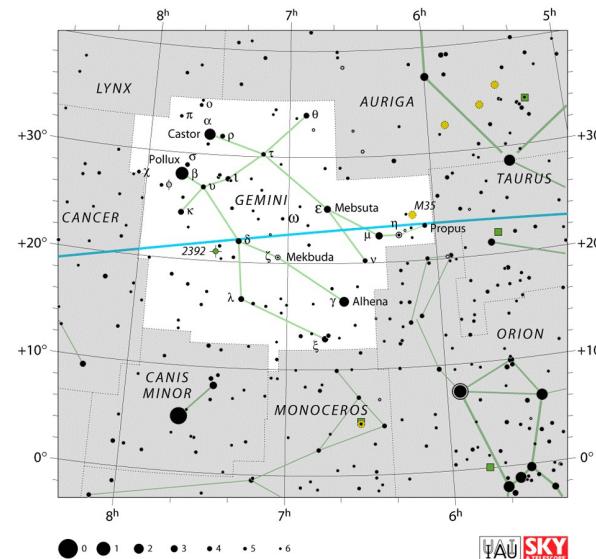
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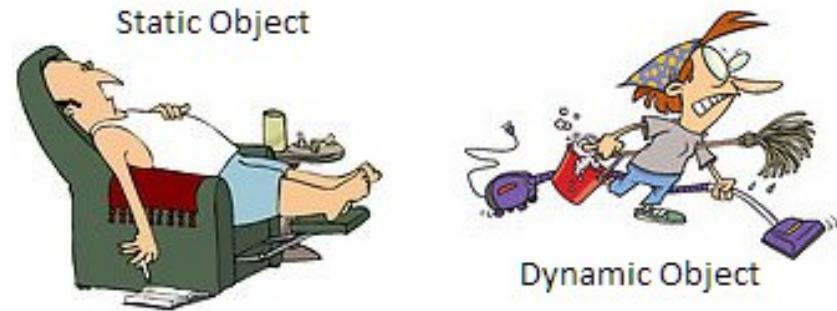
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Simple.Data

# System.Dynamic.DynamicObject

- Exposes members at run time instead of at compile time
- Important methods
  - TrySetMember
  - TryGetMember
    - Is called when a member of a dynamic class is requested and no arguments are specified
  - TryInvokeMember
    - Is called when a member of a dynamic class is requested with arguments
- Combining those functions in a smart way is the key



# System.Dynamic.ExpandoObject

- Represents an object whose members can be dynamically added and removed at run time
- Demo
  - Simple ExpandoObject
  - Expando structure vs Xml structure
  - ExpandoToXml
  - Linq-to-Object



<http://blogs.msdn.com/b/csharpfaq/archive/2009/10/01/dynamic-in-c-4-0-introducing-the-expandoobject.aspx>

# ElasticObject

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- Multi level dynamic object implementation using .NET 4.0 dynamic features, for fluent access of data types like XML
- Demo
  - Expando vs Elastic
  - Elastic-to-Xml

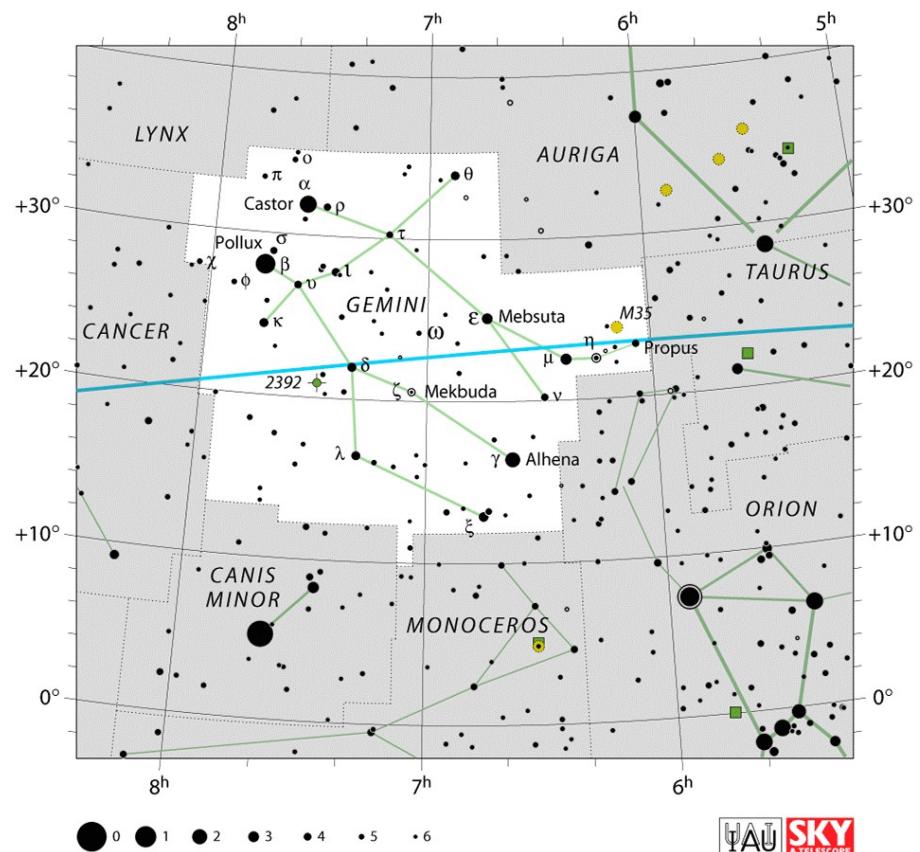


<https://github.com/amazedsaint/ElasticObject>

# Gemini

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- „Brings the capabilities of a dynamic type system to C#“
- Demo
  - Members on the fly
  - Methods on the fly
  - Object graph
  - Responds to
  - Introspection



# NancyFx

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- Lightweight WebFramework
- Demo
  - Parameters
  - Return object



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# Massive

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- Wrapper for DB tables that uses dynamics
- Create a class that wraps a table
- Query away
- Demo
  - Usage
  - Definition of TryGetMember



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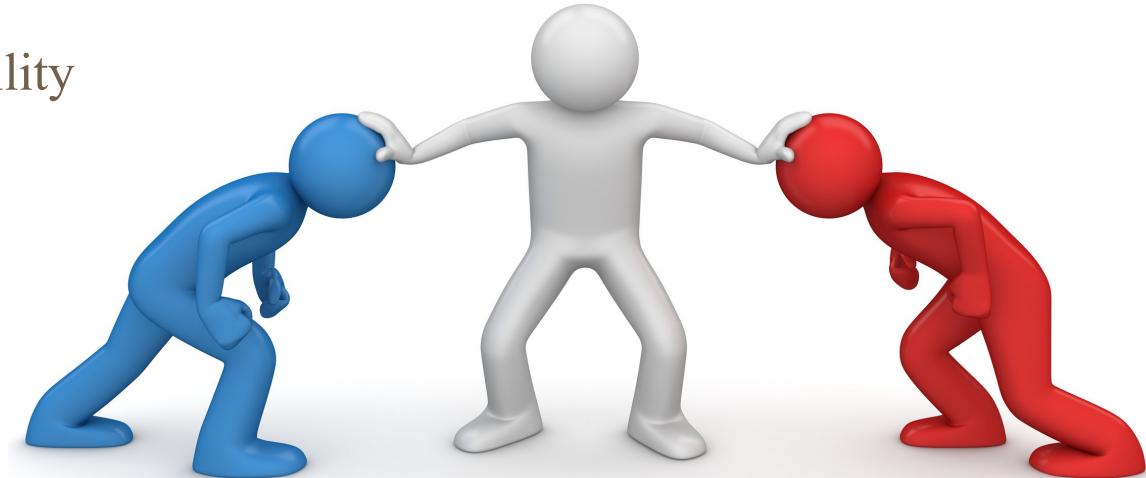
- O/RM without O, R or M
- Demo
  - Usage



# Wrap-up!

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- „dynamic“ Keyword
- Core Objects: DynamicObject, ExpandoObject
- Variations: ElasticObject, Gemini
- Usages: NancyFx, Massive, Simple.Data
  - DTOs
  - Architectural Flexibility
  - API Design
- Think about it!
- Give it a try!



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