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A technique to enhance existing types *after they've been defined*

```
extension [A](list: List[A])  
  def ends: (A, A) = (list.head, list.last)  
  
val aList = List(1,2,3,4,5)  
val firstLast = aList.ends
```

Uses for extension methods:

- add new capabilities to existing types, including standard library types
- make APIs more expressive
- add new behaviors to certain types *selectively* with given/using clauses

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