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On Jun 18, 6:06 pm, "...DotNet4Ever..." <hate.s...@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I have been noticing declarations like this:

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private DateTime? _creationdate;
```

and have been wondering what is the function or meaning of that question sign after the member type name. I searched the web but naturally with such a thing in a query yields a lot of noise and no suitable results.

Can somebody enlighten me?

"T?" is syntactic sugar for writing "System.Nullable<T>". You can look up the details on the latter in MSDN, but briefly, it is a type that wraps any other value type, and adds null to its domain of values. So, in your example, `_creationdate` can be either a `DateTime`, or null.

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