

Still busy!

- Autolayout
- ScrollView
- TableView
- Multithreading

... and once again plenty of demos!



Autolayout

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- Autolayout so far:

- Using the dashed blue lines to try to tell Xcode what you intend
- Ctrl-Dragging between views to create relationships (spacing, etc.)
- The “Pin” and “Arrange” popovers in the lower right of the storyboard
- Reset to Suggested Constraints (if the blue lines were enough to unambiguously set constraints)
- Document Outline (see all constraints, resolve misplacements and even conflicts)
- Size Inspector (look at (and edit!) the details of the constraints on the selected view)
- Clicking on a constraint to select it then bring up Attributes Inspector (to edit its details)

- Mastering Autolayout requires experience, practice!

- Autolayout can be done from code to (you’re probably better off doing it in the storyboard wherever possible)

Autolayout

- What about rotation?

- Sometimes rotating changes the geometry so drastically that autolayout is not enough
- You actually need to reposition the views to make them fit properly

- RPNCalc

- For example, what if we had 20 buttons in our RPN Calculator?
- It might be better in Landscape to have the buttons 5 across and 4 down versus in Portrait have them 4 across and 5 down

- View Controllers might want this in other situations too

- For example, your MVC is the master of a side-by-side split view
- In that case, you’d want to draw just like a Portrait iPhone does

- The solution? Size Classes

- Your View Controller always exists in a certain “size class” environment for width and height
- Currently this is either Compact or Regular (i.e. not compact)

Autolayout

- iPhone Plus
 - The iPhone Plus in Portrait orientation is Compact in width and Regular in height
 - In Landscape, it is Compact in height and Regular in width
 - iPhone
 - Other iPhones in Portrait are also Compact in width and Regular in height
 - But in Landscape, non-plus iPhones are treated as Compact in both dimensions
 - iPad
 - Always Regular in both dimensions
 - An MVC that is the master in a side-by-side split view will be Compact width, Regular height
 - Extensible
 - This whole concept is extensible to any “MVC’s inside other MVC’s” situation (not just split view)
 - An MVC can find out its size class environment via this method in UIViewController ...
- ```
let mySizeClass: UIUserInterfaceSizeClass = self.traitCollection.horizontalSizeClass
```
- The return value is an enum `.Compact` or `.Regular` (or `.Unspecified`)

# Size Classes



# Size Classes



# ScrollView

# UIScrollView

- What to do when a view is just “too big” to fit on screen?
- Need to pan and zoom without having to implement gestures
- Enter **UIScrollView**: **UIView** subclass
  - Pans and zooms around a predefined size containing its subviews
  - Two important subclasses of it: **UITableView**, **UITextView**



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- The frame of each of the UIScrollView's subviews is relative to this predefined space.
- A subview with a frame with an origin at (0, 0) would be in the upper left of this space.
- Usually the UIScrollView only has one subview which fills the entire space, i.e. that subview's frame is usually:
  - origin = (0, 0)
  - size = scrollView.contentSize



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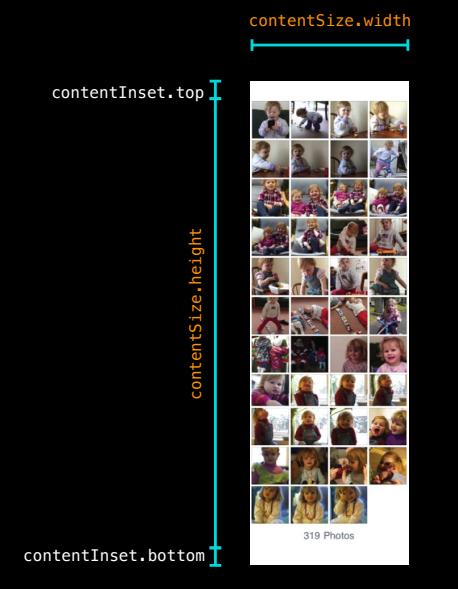


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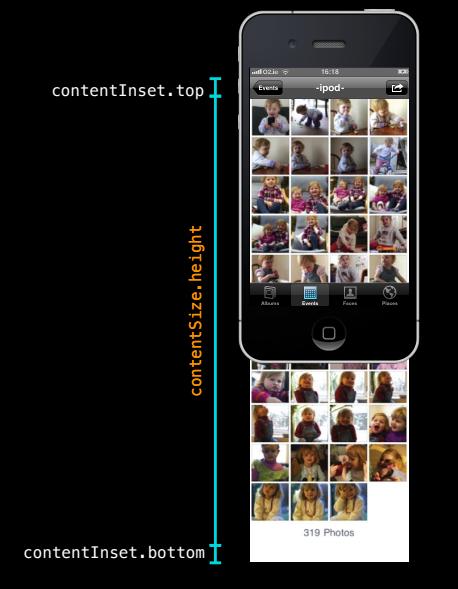


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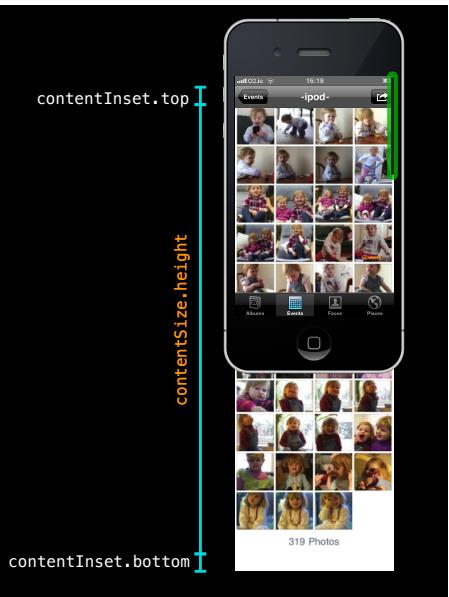
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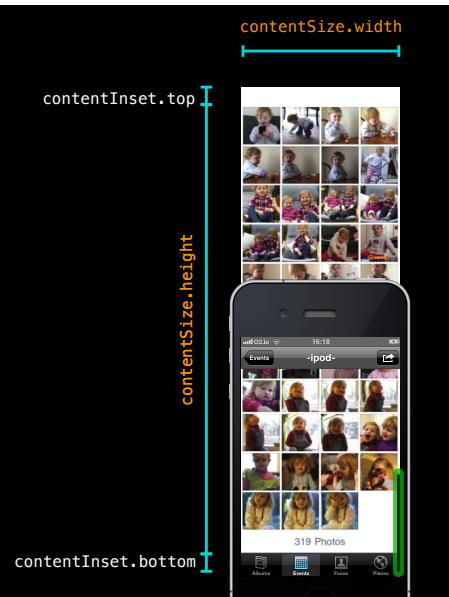
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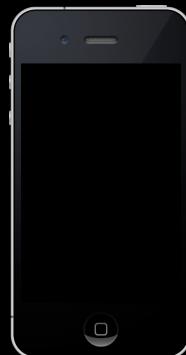
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## Normal UIView

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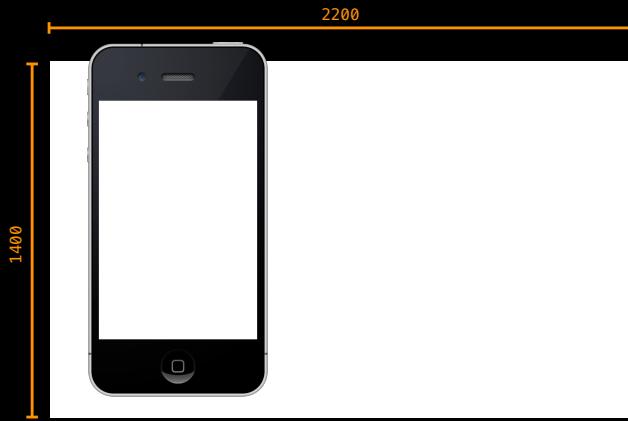
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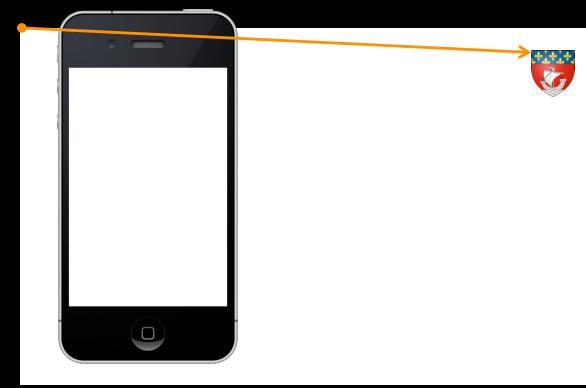
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subview1.frame = CGRectMake(x: 2000, y: 200, width: 80, height: 80)
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subview2.frame = CGRectMake(x: 100, y: 100, width:2000, height: 1200)
view.addSubview(subview2)
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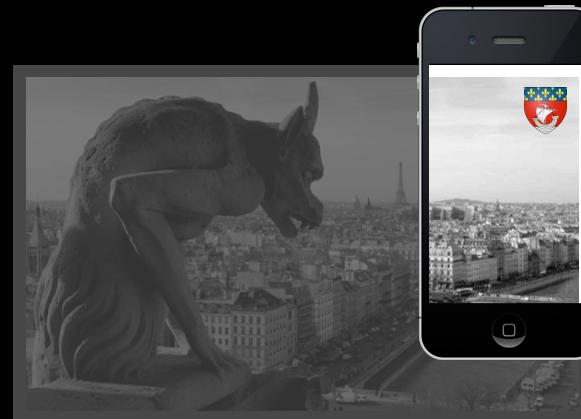
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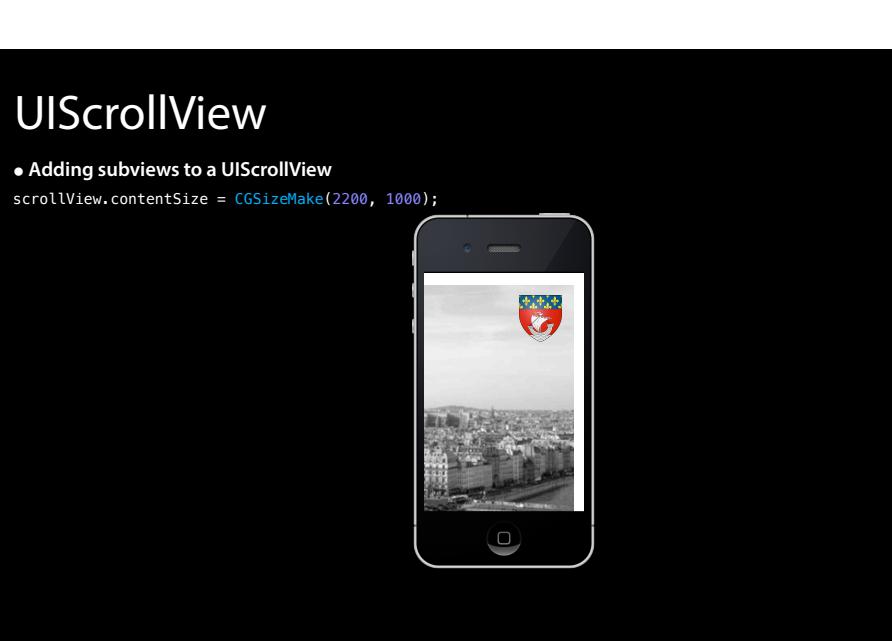
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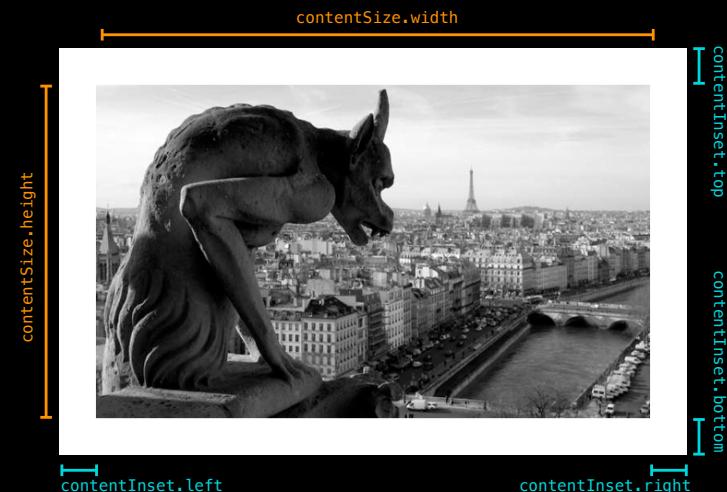
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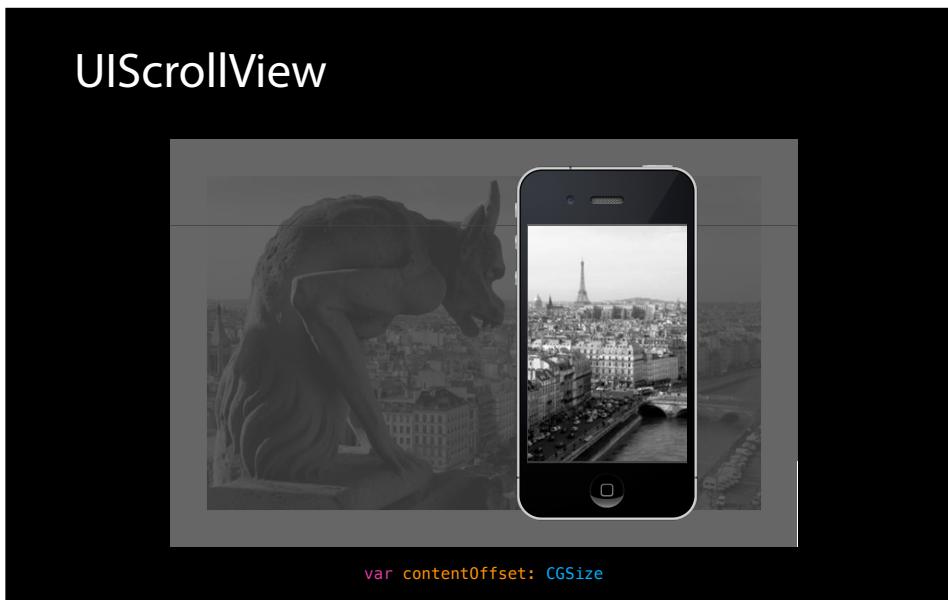
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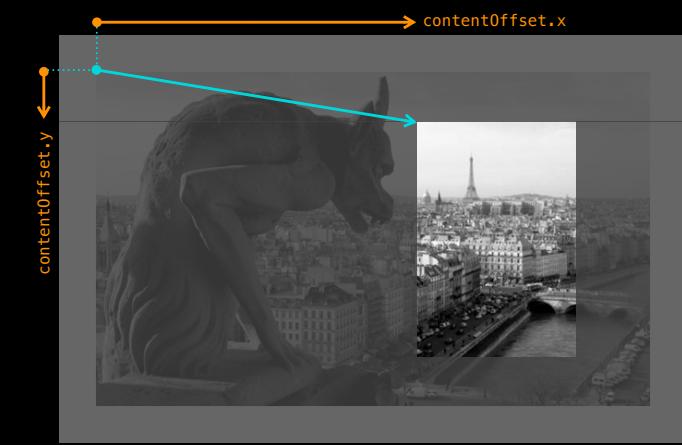
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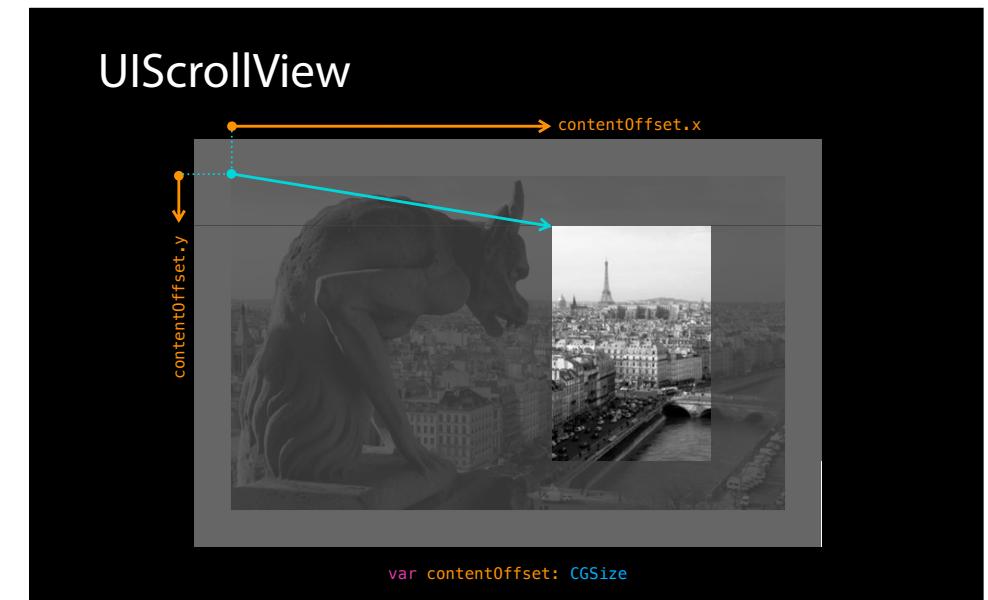
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var contentOffset: CGSize
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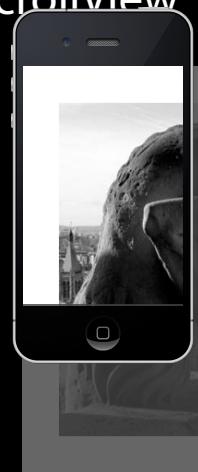
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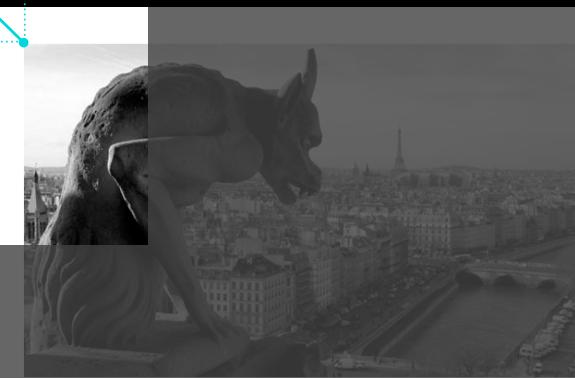


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## UIScrollView

contentOffset.x (= -contentInset.left)

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## UIScrollView

scrollView.bounds

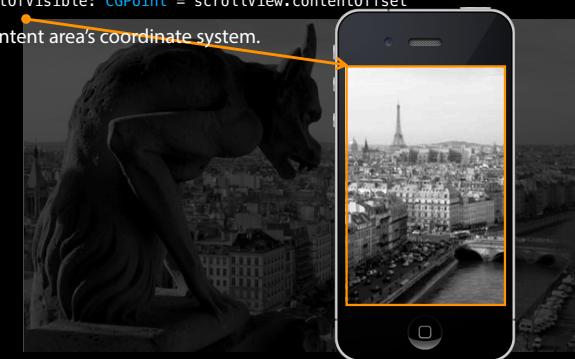


## UIScrollView

- Where in the content is the scroll view currently positioned?

```
let upperLeftOfVisible: CGPoint = scrollView.contentOffset
```

- in the content area's coordinate system.



# UIScrollView

- What area in a subview is currently visible?

```
let visibleRect: CGRect = subview.convertRect(scrollView.bounds, fromView: scrollView)
```

- Why the convertRect?

- Because the scrollView's bounds are in the scrollView's coordinate system.
- And there might be zooming going on inside the scrollView too ...



# UIScrollView

- How do you create a UIScrollView?

- Just like any other UIView. Drag out in a storyboard or use UIScrollView(frame: rect)
- Or select a UIView in your storyboard and choose "Embed In > Scroll View" from Editor menu.

- Or add your really large UIView using addSubview:

- Filling the entire screen (application:didFinishLaunchingWithOptions:)

```
if let image = UIImage(named: "bigimage.jpg")
{
 let imageView = UIImageView(image: image)
 scrollView.addSubview(imageView)
}
```

- Add more subviews if you want.

- All of the subviews' frames will be in the UIScrollView's content area's coordinate system (that is, (0,0) in the upper left & width/height of contentSize.width/height).

- Don't forget to set the content size (the scroll view's scrollable area's size)

- Common bug is to do the above 3 lines of code (or embed in Xcode) and forget to say:

```
scrollView.contentSize = imageView.bounds.size
```

# Scrolling in UIScrollView

- Scrolling programmatically

```
scrollView.scrollRectToVisible(CGRect, animated: Bool)
```

- Other things you can control in a scroll view

- Whether scrolling is enabled: var scrollEnabled: Bool
- Locking scroll direction to user's first "move": var directionalLockEnabled: Bool
- The style of the scroll indicators var indicatorStyle: UIScrollViewIndicatorStyle (call flashScrollIndicator when your scroll view appears).
- Whether the actual content is "inset" from the scroll view's content area (contentInset property).

# Zooming in UIScrollView

- Zooming

- All UIView's have a property (transform) which is an affine transform (translate, scale, rotate).
- Scroll view just modifies this transform when you zoom.
- Zooming is also going to affect the scroll view's contentSize and contentOffset.

- Will not work without minimum/maximum zoom scale being set

```
scrollView.minimumZoomScale = 0.5 // 0.5 means half its normal size
```

```
scrollView.maximumZoomScale = 2.0 // 2.0 means twice its normal size
```

- Will not work without delegate method to specify view to zoom

```
func viewForZoomingInScrollView(sender: UIScrollView) -> UIView
```

- If your scroll view only has one subview, you return it here. More than one? Up to you.

- Another delegate method will notify you when zooming ends

```
func scrollViewDidEndZooming(scrollView, withView: UIView?, atScale: CGFloat)
```

- If you redraw your view at the new scale, be sure to reset the affine transform back to identity.

## Zooming in a UIScrollView

- Zooming programmatically

```
var zoomScale: CGFloat
func setZoomScale(CGFloat, animated: Bool)
func zoomToRect(CGRect, animated: Bool)
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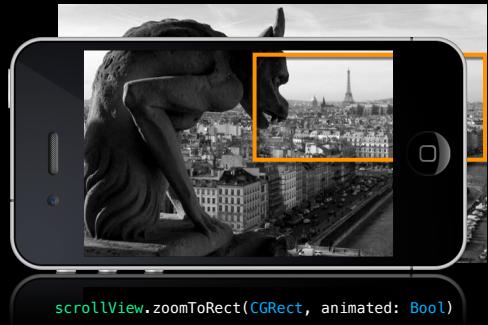
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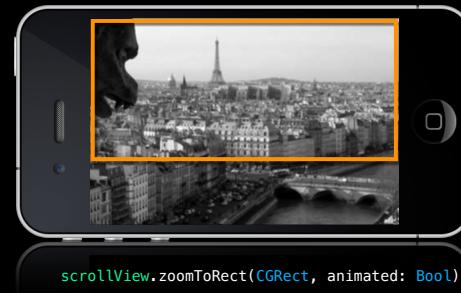
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## UIScrollView Delegate Methods

- Lots and lots of delegate methods!

- The scroll view will keep you up to date with what's going on.

- Other delegate methods

```
func scrollViewDidScroll(UIScrollView)
func scrollViewDidScrollToTop(UIScrollView)
func scrollViewWillBeginZooming(UIScrollView, withView: UIView?)
// if you redraw at the new scale, ensure affine transform is reset to identity
func scrollViewDidEndScrollingAnimation(UIScrollView)
func scrollViewWillBeginDecelerating(UIScrollView)
```

- Methods in UIScrollView to find out scrolling state

```
var zooming: Bool { get }
var dragging: Bool { get }
var tracking: Bool { get }
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```

## TableView

# UITableView

- Very important class for displaying data in a table

- 1D table.
- It's a subclass of UIScrollView.
- Table can be static or dynamic (i.e. a list of items).
- Lots and lots of customization via a **dataSource protocol** and a **delegate protocol**.
- Very efficient even with very large sets of data.

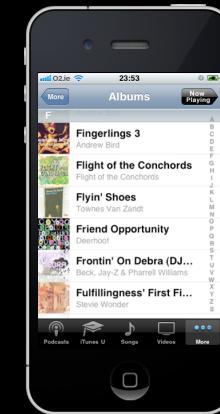
- Displaying multi-dimensional tables

- Usually done via a UINavigationController containing multiple MVC's where View is UITableView

- Two styles

- UITableViewStylePlain or UITableViewStyleGrouped
- Static or Dynamic
- Divided into sections or not
- Different formats for each row in the table (including completely customized)

# UITableView



UITableViewStylePlain

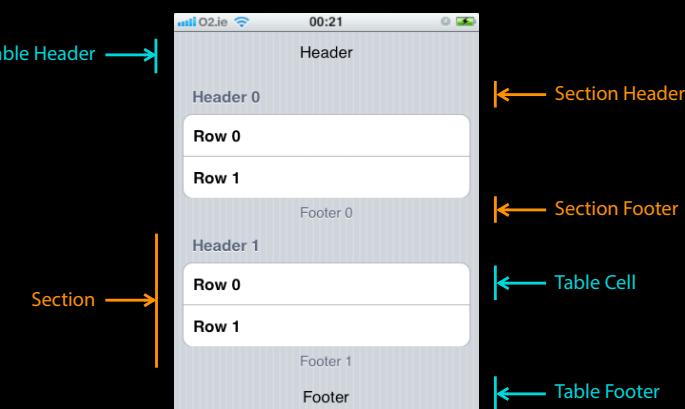


UITableViewStyleGrouped

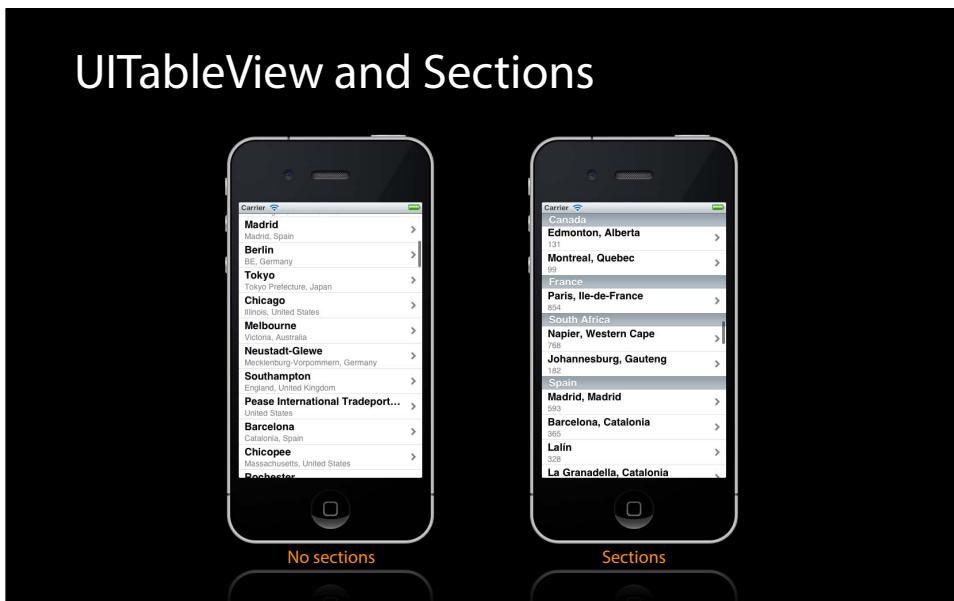
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## UITableView and Sections



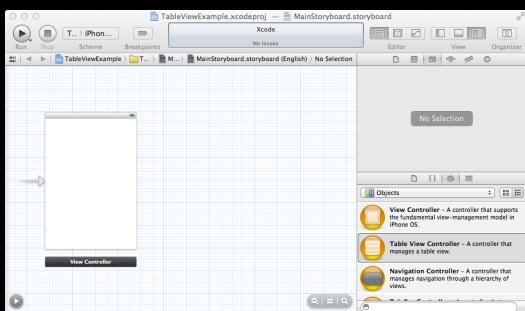
## UITableView and Cell Types



## Creating UITableViewController

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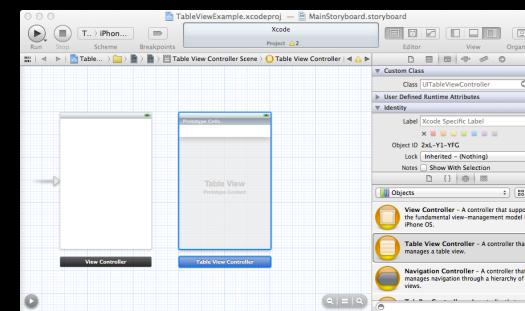
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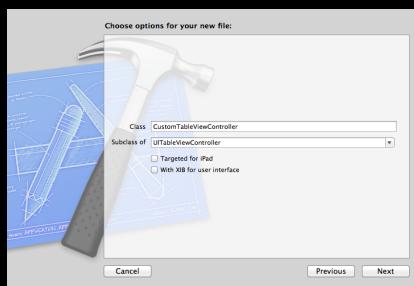
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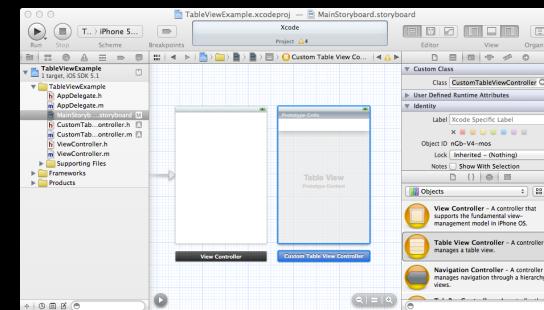
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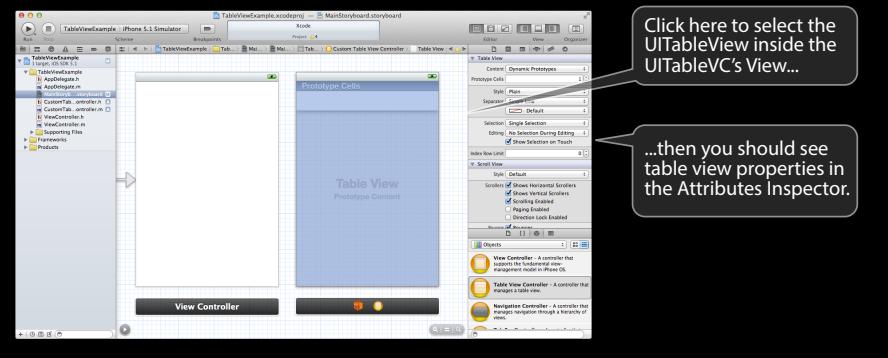
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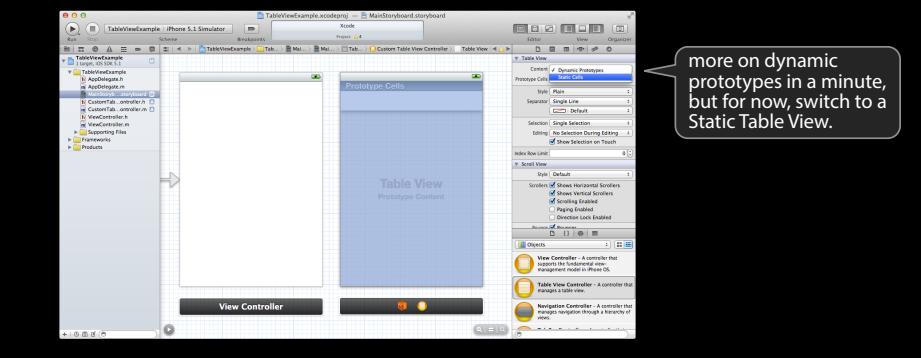
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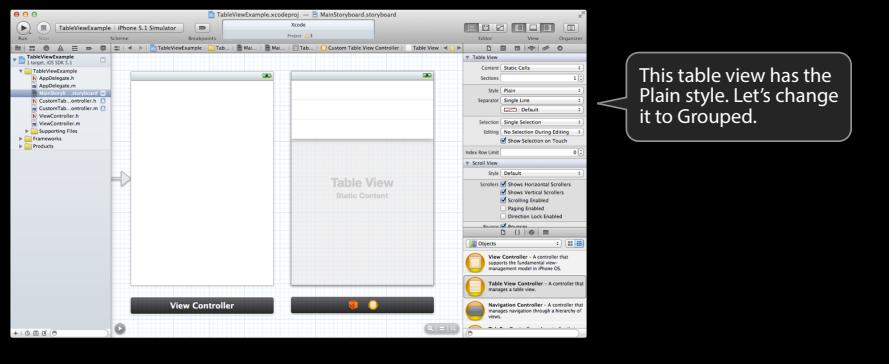
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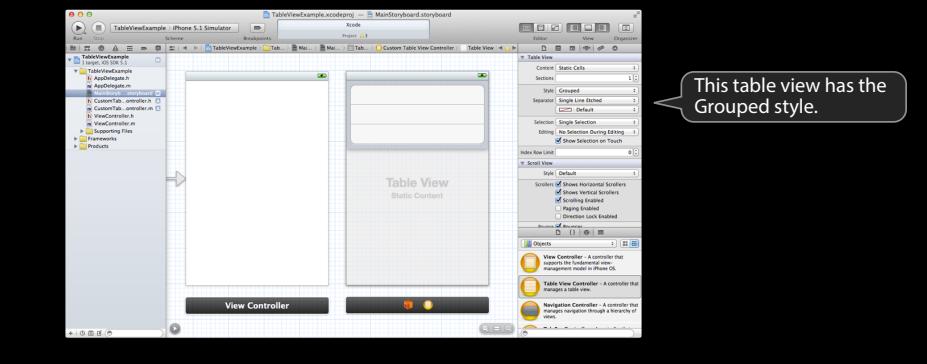
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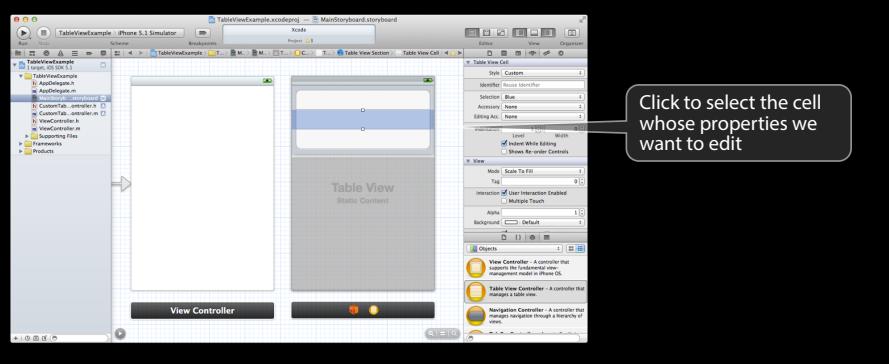
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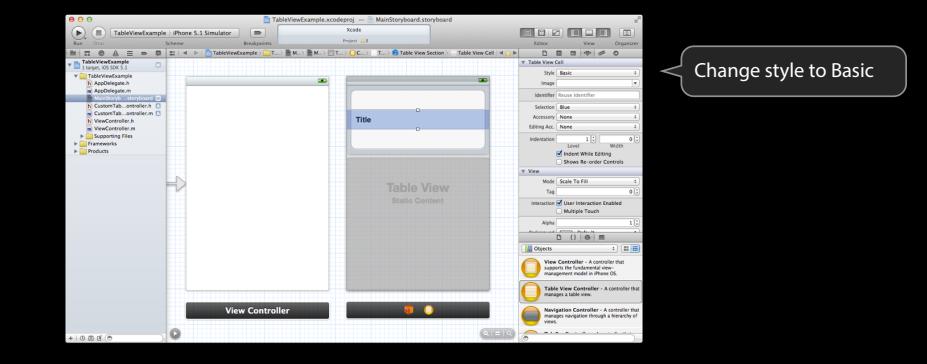
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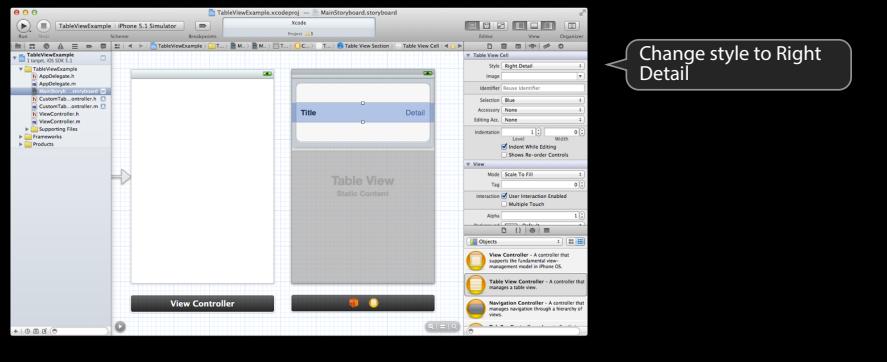
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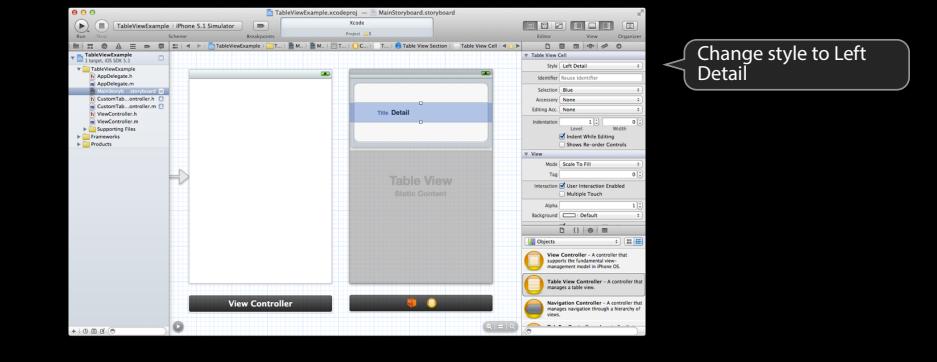
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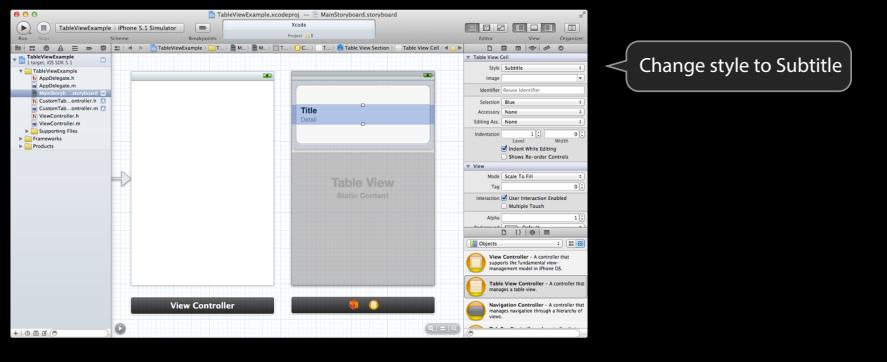
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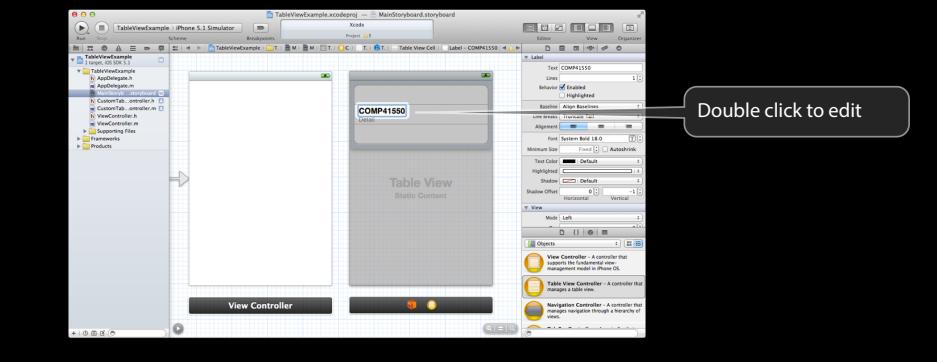
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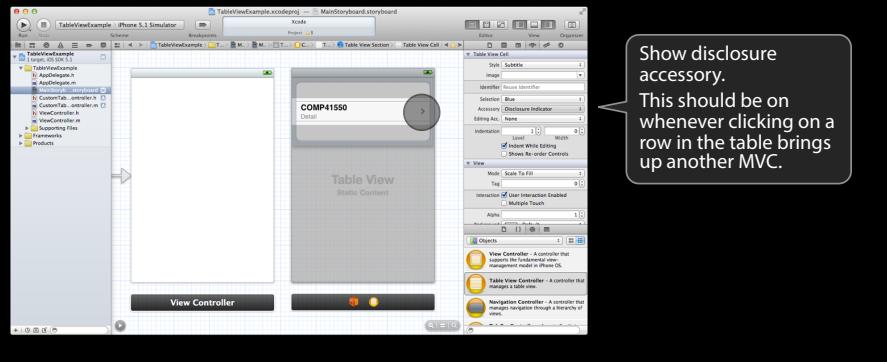
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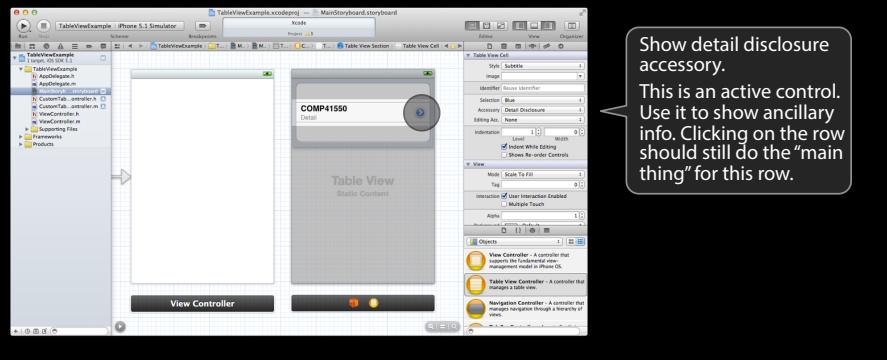
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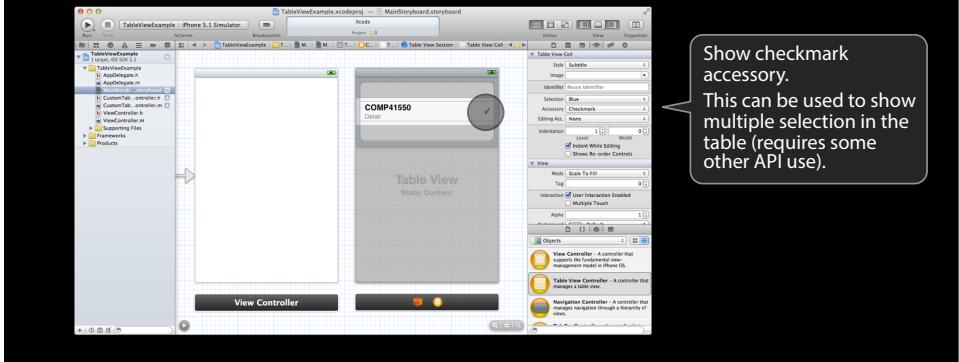
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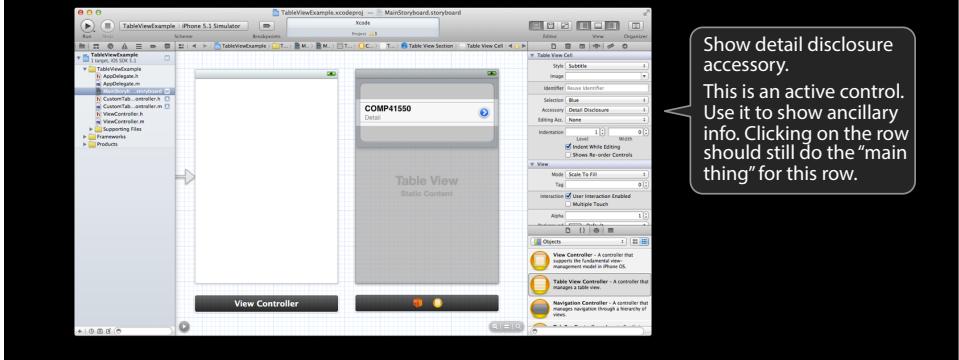


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- When user taps on the blue detail disclosure, it will be sent to your UITableViewController:

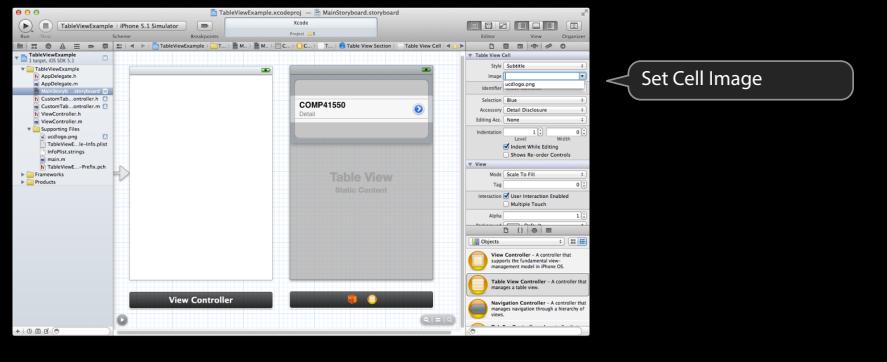
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func tableView(UITableView, accessoryButtonTappedForRowAtIndexPath: NSIndexPath)
```



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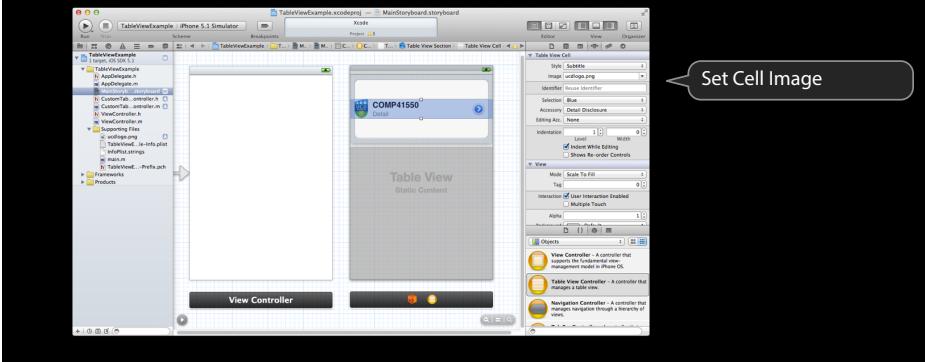
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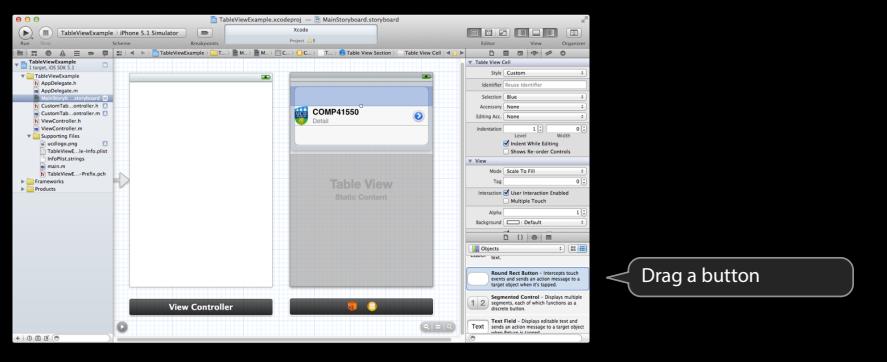
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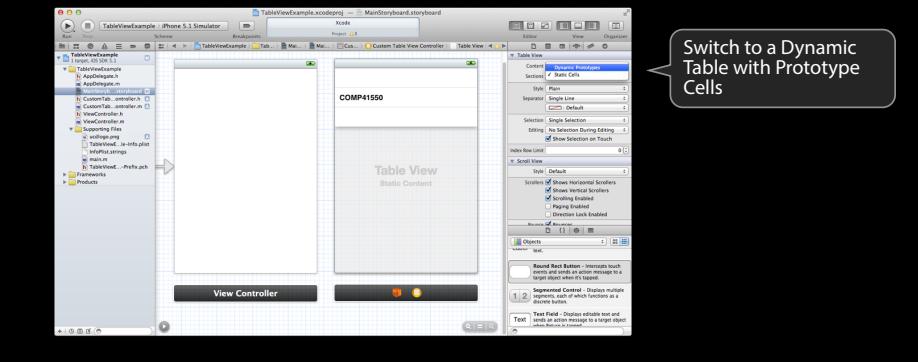
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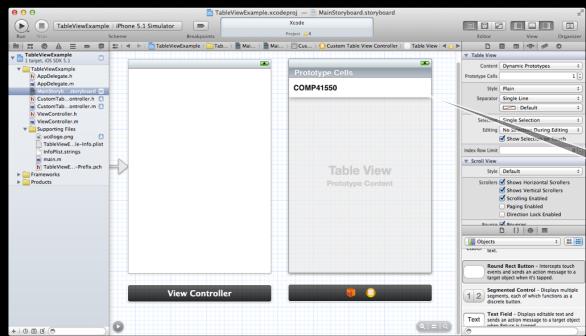
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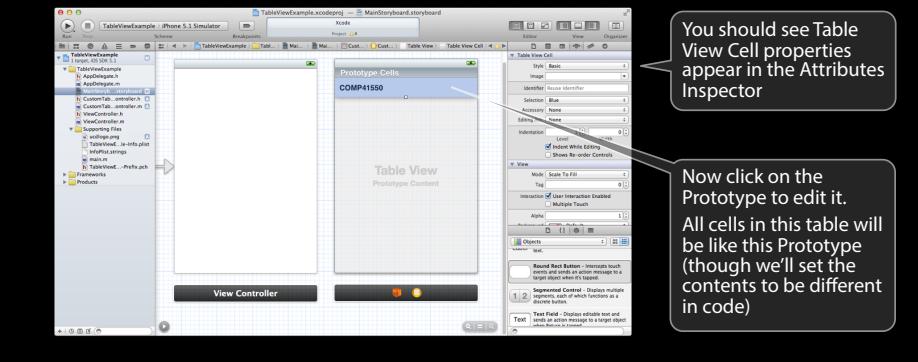
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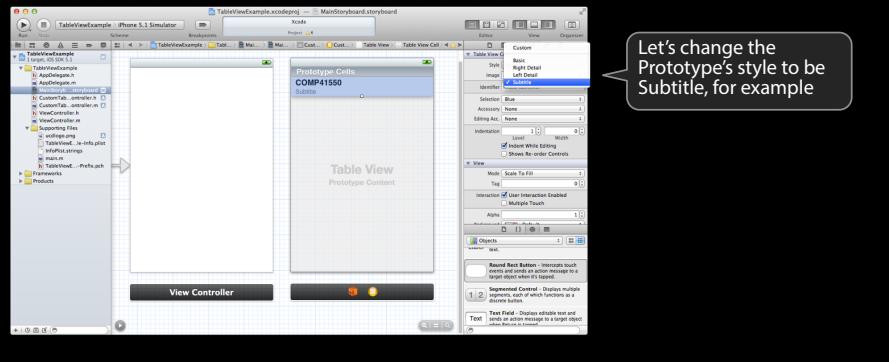
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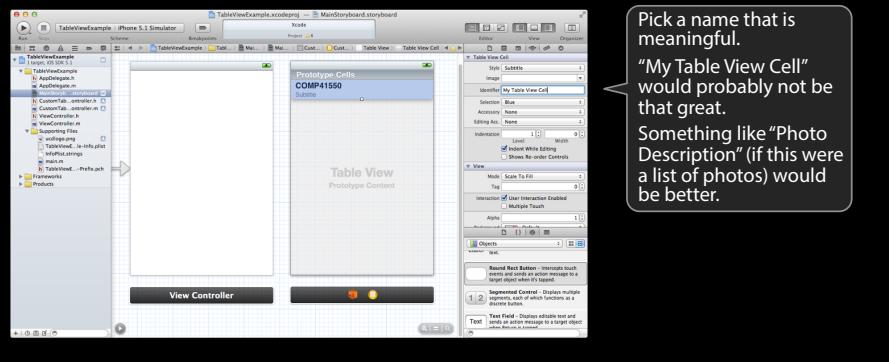
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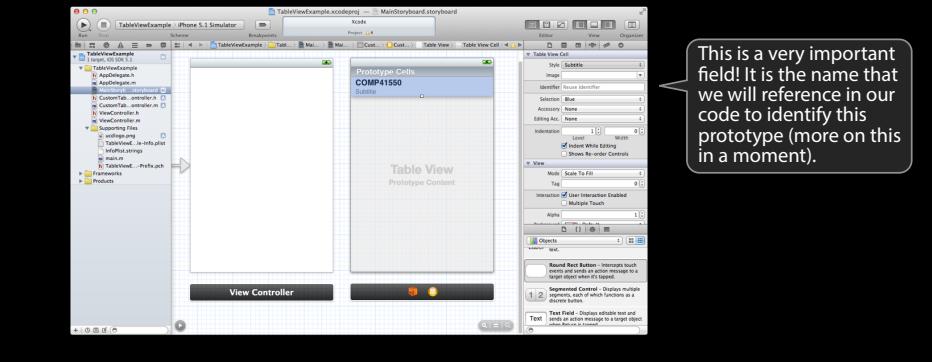
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# UITableView

## • How do we connect to all this stuff in our code?

- A UITableView has two important properties: its **delegate** and its **dataSource**.
- The delegate is used to control how the table is displayed.
- The dataSource provides the data what is displayed inside the cells.

## • UITableView Controller is automatically set as the delegate & dataSource.

## • A UITableView Controller subclass also have a property pointing to

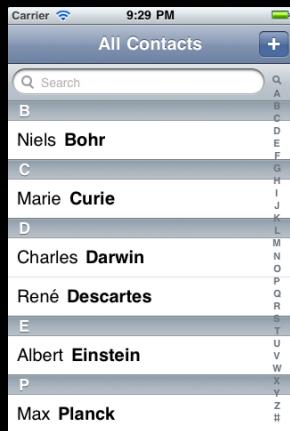
- Delegated. Your MVC's Controller is almost always the **dataSource** for the **UITableView**.

```
var tableView: UITableView
```

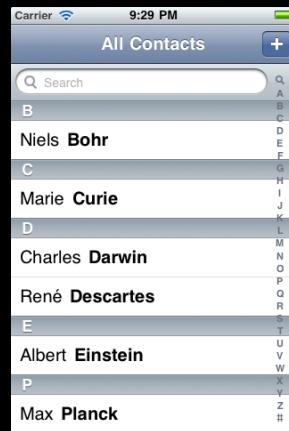
## • To be "dynamic," we need to be the UITableView's dataSource

- Three important methods in this protocol:
  1. How many sections in the table?
  2. How many rows in each section?
  3. Give me a UIView to use to draw each cell at a given row in a given section.

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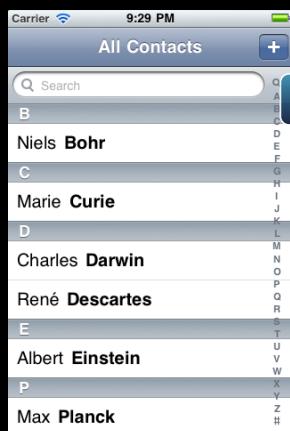


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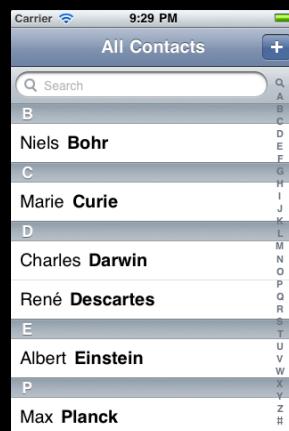


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DataSource

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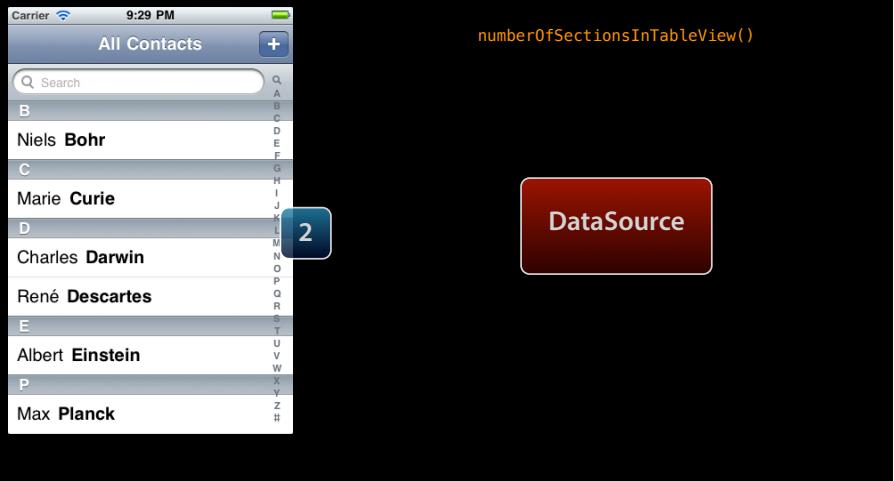


```
tableView(UITableView, numberOfRowsInSection: Int)
```

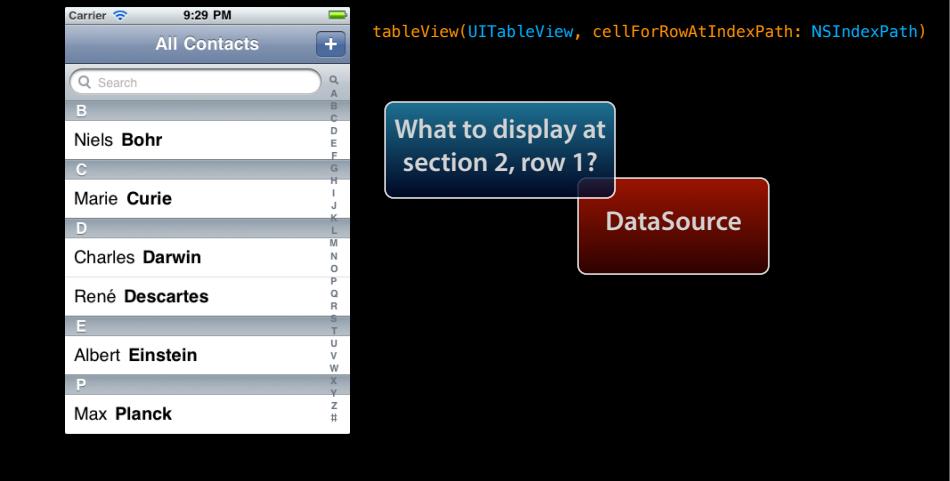
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in section 2?

DataSource

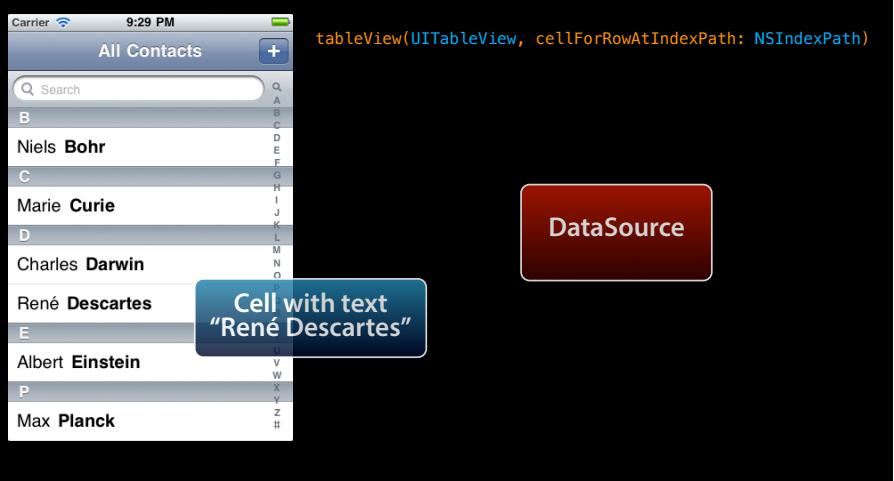
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- Method to get that cell for a given row in a given section:

```
func tableView(tv: UITableView, cellForRowAtIndexPath indexPath: IndexPath) -> UITableViewCell
{
```

NSIndexPath is just an object with two important properties for use with UITableView: row and section

```
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{
 let data = dataModel[indexPath.section][indexPath.row]
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This MUST match what is in your storyboard if you want to use the prototype you defined there!

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Also set properties on cell

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- The cells in the table are actually reused.
- When one goes off-screen, it gets put into a “reuse pool.”
- The next time a cell is needed, one is grabbed from the reuse pool if available.
- If none is available, one will be put into the reuse pool if there’s a prototype in the storyboard.
- Otherwise this dequeue method will return nil (let’s deal with that ...).

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There are obviously other things you can do in the cell besides setting its text e.g. detail text, image, checkmark...

## UITableViewDataSource

- How does a dynamic table know how many rows there are?

- And how many sections, too, of course?

```
func numberOfSectionsInTableView(UITableView) -> Int
func tableView(UITableView, numberOfRowsInSection: Int) -> Int
```

- Number of sections is 1 by default

- In other words, if you don't implement `numberOfSectionsInTableView`, it will be 1.

- No default for number of rows in a section

- This is a REQUIRED method in this protocol (as is `tableView(_:numberOfRowsInSection:)`).

- What about a static table?

- Do not implement these `dataSource` methods for a static table.
  - UITableViewController will take care of that for you.

- There are a number of other methods in this protocol

- They are mostly about getting the headers and footers for sections.
  - And about dealing with the table (moving/deleting/inserting rows)

## UITableViewDelegate

- All of the above was the UITableView's dataSource

- But UITableView has another protocol-driven delegate called its `delegate`.

- The delegate controls how the UITableView is displayed

- Not what it displays (that's the dataSource's job).

- Common for dataSource and delegate to be the same object

- Usually the Controller of the MVC in which the UITableView is part of the (or is the entire) View.

- The delegate also lets you observe what the table view is doing

- Especially responding to when the user selects a row.
  - We often will use segues when this happens, but we can also track it directly.

## TableView Target/Action

- UITableViewDelegate method sent when row is selected

- This is sort of like "table view target/action"
  - You might use this to update a detail view in a split view if master is a table view

```
func tableView(UITableView, didSelectRowAtIndexPath: NSIndexPath) {
 // go do something based on information
 // about my data structure corresponding to indexPath.row in indexPath.section
}
```

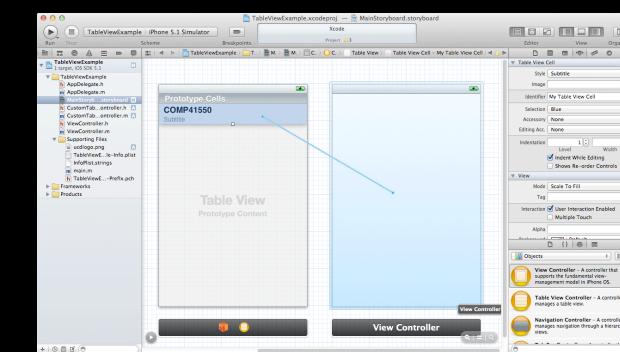
- Lots and lots of other delegate methods

- will/did methods for both selecting and deselecting rows
  - Providing UIView objects to draw section headers and footers
  - Handling editing rows (moving them around with touch gestures)
  - willBegin/didEnd notifications for editing.
  - Copying/pasting rows.

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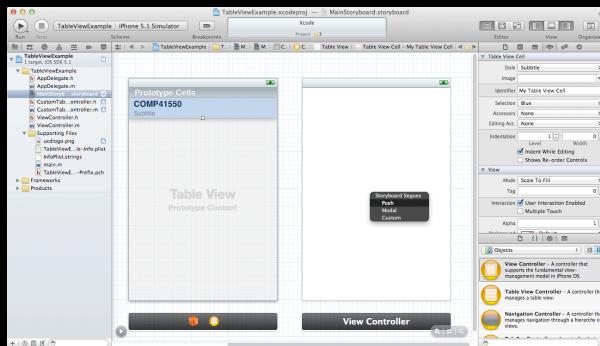
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```
override func prepareForSegue(segue: UIStoryboardSegue, sender: AnyObject?) {
 let indexPath = self.tableView.indexPathForCell(sender as UITableViewCell)
 // prepare segue.destinationController to display based on information
 // about my data structure corresponding to indexPath.row in indexPath.section
}
```

## UITableView

- What if your Model changes?

```
func reloadData()
```

- Causes the table view to call `numberOfSectionsInTableView()` and `numberOfRowsInSection()` all over again and then `cellForRowAtIndexPath()` on each visible cell.
- Relatively heavyweight obviously, but if your entire data structure changes, that's what you need.
- If only part of your Model changes, there are lighter-weight reloaders, for example ...

```
func reloadRowsAtIndexPaths(indexPaths: [NSIndexPath], withRowAnimation: UITableViewRowAnimation)
```

- There are dozens of other methods in UITableView

- Setting headers and footers for the entire table
- Controlling the look (separator style and color, default row height, etc.)
- Getting cell information (cell for index path, index path for cell, visible cells, etc.)
- Scrolling to a row
- Selection management (allows multiple selection, getting the selected row, etc.)
- Moving, inserting and deleting rows, etc.

## Demo

### Spirograph Artwork



## Demo

- Replace FavoritesVC by Table View Controller

## Multithreading

## Closures

### • Capturing

- Closures “capture” variables in the surrounding context
- That means that it keeps those variables around as long as the closure stays around
- You can even make assignments to the variables or modify what they point to
- This can lead to some very elegant code...

### • Interesting use of a closure ...

- It might be that sometimes using a closure is a better tool than delegation.
- For example, consider the following code ...

```
class Grapher {
 var plot: ((x: Double) -> Double)?
}

let grapher = Grapher()
let calcModel = CalcModel()
calcModel.session = expressionToGraph
grapher.plot = { (x: Double) -> Double? in
 calcModel.valueForVar["X"] = x
 return calcModel.evalStack() // gets captured and reused each time plot is called
}
```

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- But what's not so cool is that self points to this closure (via its action property).
- Neither can now ever leave the heap (they point to each other).
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 var x: Int = 0
 action = { [unowned self] in x = x + 1; self.show(x) }
 }
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}
```

- Now that reference to self inside the closure will not keep self in memory
- That self will be kept in memory as long as someone else has a pointer to it

# Multithreading

- **Queues**

- Multithreading is mostly about "queues" in iOS
- Functions (usually closures) are lined up in a queue
- Then those functions are pulled off the queue and executed on an associated thread

- **Main Queue**

- There is a very special queue called the "main queue"
- All UI activity MUST occur on this queue and this queue only
- And, conversely, non-UI activity that is at all time consuming must NOT occur on that queue
- We want our UI to be responsive
- Functions are pulled off and worked on in the main queue only when it is "quiet"

- **Other Queues**

- Mostly iOS will create these for us as needed
- We'll give a quick overview of how to create your own (but usually not necessary)

# Multithreading

- **Executing a function on another queue**

```
let queue: dispatch_queue_t = <the Q you want>
dispatch_async(queue) {
 // do work here
}
```

- **The main queue (a serial queue)**

```
let mainQ: dispatch_queue_t = dispatch_get_main_queue()
let mainQ: NSOperationQueue = NSOperationQueue.mainQueue() // for OO APIs
```

- All UI stuff must be done on this queue!
- And all time-consuming (or, worse, potentially blocking) stuff must be done off this queue!
- Common code to write ...

```
dispatch_async(not_main_Q) {
 // do something takes a while
 dispatch_async(dispatch_get_main_queue()) {
 // call UI functions with results
 }
}
```

# Multithreading

- Other (concurrent) queues (i.e. not the main queue)

- Most non-main-queue work will happen on a concurrent queue with a certain quality of service

```
QOS_CLASS_USER_INTERACTIVE // quick and high priority
QOS_CLASS_USER_INITIATED // high priority, might take time
QOS_CLASS.utility // long running
QOS_CLASS_BACKGROUND // prefetching, etc...
```

```
let qos = Int<one of the above>.rawValue // historical reasons
let queue = dispatch_get_global_queue(qos, 0)
```

- You will probably use these queues to do any work that you don't want to block the main queue

- You can create your own serial queue if you need serialization

```
let serialQ = dispatch_queue_create("name", DISPATCH_QUEUE_SERIAL)
```

- Maybe you are downloading a bunch of things from a certain website but you don't want to deluge that website, so you queue the requests up serially
  - Or maybe the things you are doing depend on each other in a serial fashion

# Multithreading

- Scheduling work in the future

```
let delayInSeconds = 25.0
let delay = Int64(delayInSeconds * Double(NSEC_PER_MSEC)) // historical
let dispatchTime = dispatch_time(DISPATCH_TIME_NOW, delay) // adds delay to NOW
dispatch_after(dispatchTime, dispatch_get_main_queue()) {
 // do something on the main queue 25 seconds from now
}
```

- We are only seeing the tip of the iceberg

- There is a lot more to GCD
  - You can do locking, protect critical sections, readers and writers, synchronous dispatch, etc.
  - Check out the documentation if you are interested

# Multithreading

- Multithreaded iOS API

- Quite a few places in iOS will do what they do off the main queue
  - They might even afford you the opportunity to do something off the main queue
  - You may pass in a function (a closure, usually) that sometimes executes off the main thread

- Remember that if you want to do UI work there, you must dispatch back to the main queue!

# Multithreading

- Example of a multithreaded iOS API

- This API lets you fetch something from an http URL to a local file
  - Obviously it can't do that on the main thread!

```
let session = URLSession(configuration.defaultSessionConfiguration())
if let url = NSURL(string: "http://url") {
 let request = URLRequest(url: url)
 let task = session.downloadTask(with: request) { (localURL, response, error) in
 // Can we update UI with the result of the download?
 }
 task.resume()
}
```

- The answer to the above comment is “no”.
  - That's because the block will be run off the main queue.
  - How do we deal with this?
  - One way is to use a variant of this API that lets you specify the queue to run on.
  - Another way is ...

# Multithreading

- How to do UI stuff safely

- You can simply dispatch back to the main queue ...

```
let session = URLSession(sessionConfiguration.defaultSessionConfiguration())
if let url = URL(string: "http://url") {
 let request = URLRequest(url: url)
 let task = session.downloadTask(withRequest: request) { (localURL, response, error) in
 dispatch_async(dispatch_get_main_queue()) {
 // Update UI with the result of the download
 }
 }
 task.resume()
}
```

- OK because the UI code you want to do has been dispatched back to the main queue
- But remember that that code might run MINUTES after the request is fired off
- The user might have long ago given up on whatever was being fetched