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CHAPTER ONE

Swift Basics

About Swift

- Why Swift?
 - Safety
 - Speed
 - Modern language features (functional programming, closures, pattern matching, tuples, optionals, etc.)
- Apple plans to use Swift for:
 - 1. Systems programming
 - 2. Scripting
 - 3. Cocoa development (replacing Objective-C)
- Existing Cocoa frameworks are all C/Objective-C
 - Swift designed to allow easy bridging between languages
 - Uses Objective-C runtime under the hood

Everything's an Object

There are four object types in Swift:

- Class
- Struct
- Enum
- Protocols

Even literals — for example the numeric literal 42 — are objects (in this case, an instance of a struct).

```
42.advancedBy(7) // returns 49
```

You can even customize the behavior of fundamental types:

```
extension Int
{
    func printAsAge()
    {
        print("I'm \(self) years old")
    }
}
// Adds printAsAge method to the Int type
42.printAsAge()
// prints "I'm 42 years old"
```

Variable Declarations

Variable declarations must provide either explicit type information, or an explicit initial value.

```
var width: Int  // defines variable 'width' of type Int
var height = 12  // defines 'height' with inferred type Int
```

Note that the compiler will trap any attempts to use a variable before it has been initialized, as shown in the following example:

```
var count: Int
count++  // Compiler error.
```

You can declare several variables of the same type in a single statement:

```
var x, y, z: Int
var i = 0, j = 0
```

Constant Declarations

Constants declarations are similar to variable declarations, except they use the keyword **let** instead of **var**. However, constants must always be declared with an initial value.

```
let width: Double = 8.0 // declares constant of type Double
let height = 5.0 // defines constant with inferred type Double
```

The compiler will trap any attempt to modify the value of a constant.

```
let pi = 3.14159
pi += 2.0  // Compiler error.
```

Numeric Types

- Swift Standard Library declares protocols such as IntegerType, SignedIntegerType, etc. that define requirements for integer types.
- Protocols used in declaring structs to represent various integer types, such as Int, Int8, UInt8, Int16, UInt16, etc.
- Similarly, protocol FloatingPointType is adopted by both Float and Double.
- You can use constructors to convert between dissimilar types.

Printing Text and Values

The Swift Standard Library provides **print** function for printing text and interpolated values:

```
print("Have a nice day")
// prints "Have a nice day"
print is a generic function that takes an argument of any type:
let message = "Have a nice day"
print(message)
// prints "Have a nice day"
let pi = 3.14159
print(pi)
// prints "3.14159"
Values of any type can be interpolated in a string literal with \setminus ().
let temperature = 72
print("It's currently \((temperature) degrees")
// prints "It's currently 72 degrees"
let scale = "Fahrenheit"
print("It's currently \((temperature) degrees \((scale)\)")
// prints "It's currently 72 degrees Fahrenheit"
```

Strings and Characters

- Ordered collection of Character
 - Each character represents a Unicode character.
 - Width of Unicode characters can vary, therefore indexes of characters are computed by enumerating the string.

Working with String properties:

Bridging to Foundation

Objective-C

- Swift interoperates with C and Objective-C code
- Swift currently depends on Objective-C runtime

Foundation Framework

- Objective-C classes, structures, enums, and C functions
- All global symbols prefixed with NS
- Some Swift types (e.g. String and Array) are bridged to corresponding Foundation classes (e.g., NSString and NSArray)
- Swift 3 requires dynamic casts to access bridged types

```
let word = "Hello" as NSString
```

String Formatting

- Strings can be initialized with a printf-style format string and variable length argument list (variadic):
- Arguments from variadic list are interpolated in place of format specifiers.

```
let foo: NSString = "Foo"

// Uses %d format specifier for Int length
let s1 = String(format: "foo's length is %d", foo.length)

// prints "foo's length is 3"

let fahrenheit = 78.5

// Uses %.1f format specifier for Double value, where the '.1'

// specifies one digit of decimal precision.
let s2 = String(format: "temperature is %.1f°F", fahrenheit)

// prints "temperature is 78.5°F"
```

 See Apple's documentation for a comprehensive list of format specifiers.

Functions and Methods

Function and method declarations share similar syntax:

```
// function declaration syntax
func display(degrees: Double, scale: String)
{
    print("The temperature is \(degrees)^\circ \(scale)\)}

// function call syntax
display(degrees: 71.5, scale: "Fahrenheit")
// prints "The temperature is 71.5 Fahrenheit"
```

A parameter can declare a separate external name:

```
// temperatureInDegrees is external name of first param
func display(temperatureInDegrees degrees: Double, scale: String)
{
    // internal name is degrees
    print("The temperature is \(degrees)^\circ \(scale)^\circ)
}

// external name required in call
display(temperatureInDegrees: 71.5, scale: "Fahrenheit")
```

A parameter's external name can be ignored:

```
// external name ignored if _ wildcard specified
func display(_ degrees: Double, scale: String)
{
    print("The temperature is \(degrees)^\circ \(scale)\)}

// external name not permitted in call
display(71.5, scale: "Fahrenheit")
```

Return Values

Return type declared after -> symbol:

```
// returns a value of type String
func temperature(degrees: Double, scale: String) -> String
{
    return "The temperature is \((degrees)^\circ \((scale)\)"
}
```

Result of function call must be used in an expression

```
// compiles with warning ("Result of call '...' is unused")
temperature(degrees: 71.5, scale: "Fahrenheit")

// compiles cleanly
let s = temperature(degrees: 71.5, scale: "Fahrenheit")
```

 Declare with @discardableResult to allow return value to be ignored

```
// return value can be ignored
@discardableResult
func temperature(degrees: Double, scale: String) -> String
{
    let s = "The temperature is \(degrees)^\circ \(scale)\)"
    print(s)
    return s
}
```

Lab 1: Temperature Conversion

- 1. Write a function to convert Fahrenheit to Celsius
 - 1.1. Subtract 32 and multiply by 5/9.
 - 1.2. Write a unit test that passes in several different values and prints the results.
- 2. Write a function to convert Celsius to Fahrenheit
 - 2.1. The algorithm is the inverse of the one used in Step 1.
 - 2.2. Write a unit test that passes in several different values and prints the results.

Generics

- Swift provides rich support for generic types.
 - Used heavily in the standard library.
- The example below uses the Comparable protocol as a type qualifier. We haven't introduced protocols yet, but they're similar to interfaces in other languages.

```
// defines a function that takes two Comparable values
// and returns the larger of the two
//
func maxValue<T: Comparable>(x: T, y: T) -> T
{
    return x > y ? x : y
}

maxValue(22.5, 23)  // returns 23
maxValue(3, 2.9)  // returns 3
maxValue("Apple", "Banana") // returns "Banana"
```

- The *T* above is a *placeholder type*. Here it denotes that the args and the return value must be the same type.
- <T: Comparable> is a *type constraint*. Here it specifies that T matches only types that conform to Comparable.

Collections

Three primary collection types:

arrays: ordered values

sets: unordered, unique values

dictionaries: unordered key-value pairs; keys are unique

- Collections declared with let are immutable
- Generically are generically typed

```
// examples of generic type syntax
Array<String>
Dictionary<String, Int>

// array type shorthand syntax
[String]

// dictionary type shorthand syntax
[String: Int]
```

Arrays

Declaring an array

```
// declare an array with elements of type String
var a: Array<String>
// ... using shorthand syntax
var b: [String]
```

Creating an instance

```
// instantiate an array with elements of type String
a = Array<String>()
// ... using shorthand syntax
a = [String]()
// ... or just
a = []
```

Working with elements

```
// appending elements
a.append("Fred")
a.append("Jill")

// using subscript notation to access array elements
let name1 = a[0]

// initializing with an array literal
let c = ["Fred", "Jill", "Biff"]
```

Array literals

```
// initializing with an array literal
let c = ["Fred", "Jill", "Biff"]
```

Dictionaries

Declaring a dictionary

```
// declare a dictionary with keys of type String and element type Any
var a: Dictionary<String, Any>
// ...using shorthand syntax
var b: [String: Any]
```

Creating an instance

```
// instantiate a dictionary using generic type syntax
a = Dictionary<String, Any>()
// ...using shorthand syntax
a = [String: Any]()
// ...or just
a = [:]
```

Working with elements

```
// inserting/modifying elements
a["name"] = "Fred"
a["age"] = 29

// using subscript notation to access an element
// (note that the value will be wrapped in an Optional)
let age = a["age"]
```

Dictionary literals

```
let c = ["min": 0, "max": 99, "average": 42.5]
let d: [String: Anv] = ["name": "Fred", "age": 29 ]
```

For Loops

Looping through an array:

```
let names = [ "Jane", "Bill", "Jan" ]
for name in names {
    print("name is \((name)\)")
}
// name is Jane
// name is Bill
// name is Jan
```

• Looping through a dictionary:

```
let prices = ["jeans": 49.99, "t-shirt": 29.99]
for (key, value) in prices {
    print("price of \((key)\) is \((value)\)")
}
// price of jeans is 49.99
// price of t-shirt is 29.99
```

enumerated Method

- enumerated method sequences through a collection's elements.
 - Returns a tuple containing the index of the current element and the value at that index.

```
let names = [ "Jane", "Bill", "Jan", "Pat" ]
// defines an array of elements of type String

for (index, value) in names.enumerate()
{
    print("name \(index + 1) is \(value)")
}

// enumerates the 'names' array, printing the following:
// name 1 is Jane
// name 2 is Bill
// name 3 is Jan
// name 4 is Pat
```

Lab - Collections

Write unit tests to experiment with collections.

- Add a new file CollectionsLabTests as follows:
 - 1.1. From Xcode's File menu select New -> File. In the Template Chooser, select iOS at the top, select the Unit Test Case Class template. Click Next, enter CollectionsLabTests as the file name, and click Next. In the Save panel, click Create.
 - 1.2. Write a test method named **testArray** that initializes a variable with of type array of String with an empty array. Add lines of code that use the array's **append** method to append "Apple" and "Pear" to the array. Add a call to the **print** function to print the array, and then run the test to verify that the array prints as expected.
 - 1.3. Add a line of code to change the value of the array's second element from "Pear" to "Orange" and another line to print the array, and then run the test again.
- 2. Add a test method named **testEnumerateArray** that defines a let constant initialized with an array literal containing the strings "Apple" and "Banana".
 - 2.1. Add a **for** loop that prints each element of the array, then run the test to verify that they print as expected.
 - 2.2. Add another **for** loop that uses the array's **enumerate** method to provide a tuple of each element's index and value, and then add a line of code in the loop body that prints the current index and value.
- 3. Add a test method named **testEnumerateDictionary** that defines a variable initialized with an empty dictionary literal.
 - 3.1. Use subscript notation to insert two key-value pairs with the following keys and values: "jeans", 49.99 and "t-shirt", 29.99.
 - 3.2. Add a line of code to print the dictionary, then run the test to verify the result.
- 4. Add a test method named **testEnumerateDictionary** that defines a let constant initialized with a dictionary literal containing the same values as in the previous exercise.
 - 4.1. Add a **for** loop that enumerates the dictionary, printing its keys and values, followed by another **for** loop that prints only the dictionary's keys, and a third **for** loop that sums the dictionary's values. Add a print statement after the third loop that prints the sum.

Tuples

- A tuple is a list of objects of any type.
 - Defined as a parenthesized list of *values*.
 - Declared as a parenthesized list of types.

```
let vals = (12, "Hi")
// defines a tuple with two values
let typedVals: (Int, String) = (12, "Hi")
// illustrates types inferred by compiler in previous example
```

Use the dot operator to access elements by position:

```
print(vals.0) // prints "12"
print(vals.1) // prints "Hi"
```

• The dot operator can also access values by label:

```
let vals2 = (x: 12, y: 24)
print(vals2.x) // prints "12"
print(vals2.y) // prints "Hi"
```

Tuples As Types

 You can use tuples in type declarations, for example as a function parameter or return value.

```
// takes a single argument, size, of type (Int, Int)
func area(size: (width: Int, height: Int)) -> Int
    return size.width * size.height
}
// returns (Double, Double)
func calculateDiscount(originalPrice: Double, percentage: Double)
    -> (price: Double, discount: Double)
{
    let amount = originalPrice * percentage
    let price = originalPrice - amount
    return (price, amount)
}
// defines two constants, price and discount
let (price, discount) = calculateDiscount(25.00, 0.15)
print(price)  // prints "21.25"
print(discount)  // prints "3.75"
// use wildcard parameter _ to ignore values
let (discountedPrice, _) = discount(19.95, 0.15)
print(discountedPrice) // prints "21.25"
```

Typealias

• A typealias is a custom label for an existing type

```
typealias Size = (width: Double, height: Int)
func area(size: Size) -> Int
{
    return size.width * size.height
}
```

Lab - Tuples

Write unit tests to experiment with tuples.

- 1. Add a new test case named **TuplesLabTests**.
- 2. Add a test method named **testTuplePositions** that defines a let constant named **item**, initialized with a tuple containing following values: "polos", 29.99, and 2. Define another let constant named **amount**, initialized with the result of an expression that multiplies the **item** tuple's second and third values. Write a print statement that prints each of the tuple's values followed by the calculated amount.
- 3. Define a global let constant named **polos** with values from the tuple in the previous lab, prefixed with the following labels: **name**, **price**, and **quantity**.
 - 3.1. Add a test method named **testTupleLabels** that defines a let constant named **amount**, initialized with an expression that multiplies the polo constant's **price** times its **quantity**.
 - 3.2. Write a print statement that prints the **polos** tuple's values, followed by the calculated amount.
- 4. Write a global function named calculatedAmount(item:) that takes a tuple of String, Double, and Int as its argument, and returns Double. It should return the product of the provided tuple's price and quantity. Add a unit test named testTupleParameter that calls the new function, passing polos as its argument, and prints the result in the same manner as in the previous exercise.
- 5. Write a global function named **formatted(item:)** that takes a parameter of the same type as in the previous exercise, and returns a tuple of **String** and **Double**.
 - 5.1. The function should call **calculatedAmount**, and then return a tuple containing a string similar to the one printed in **3.2**, and the amount.
 - 5.2. Add a global let constant named **shirts**, initialized with a literal array of two tuples similar to the one in **polos**.
 - 5.3. Add a test method named **testTupleReturnValue** that calls the new **formatted(item:)** function once for each of the elements of the **shirts** array. It should prints the text in each of the returned tuples, and total their amounts, printing the total.

Control Flow

- If, guard, for, do, switch
- precondition, assert, fatalError

Enum and Switch

- Swift type
- Declared with enum keyword

```
enum Garment {
    case shirt
    case pants
    case jacket
}
```

Often used with switch statements

```
func showSpecials(garmentType: Garment) {
    switch garmentType {
    case .shirt:
        print("All shirts 15% off this week.")
    case .pants:
        print("Get two pairs for the price of one!")
    default: break
    }
}
```

Guard Statements

 Guard statements can be used with ordinary logic expressions:

```
func divide1(numerator: Int, denominator: Int) -> Int?
{
    guard denominator != 0 else {
        print("Zero divide")
        return nil
    }

    return numerator / denominator
}
```

 Control flow keywords such as if, guard, and for can also be used in combination with the case keyword:

```
func showDiscount(type: Garment) {
    guard case .shirt = type else {
        return
    }
    print("15% discount")
}
```

For Loop Conditionals

Using where clause:

```
for index in 0...5 where index % 2 == 0 {
    print("index is \(index)")
}
// index is 0
// index is 2
// index is 4
```

• Combining with case and let:

```
let supplies = [
    (name: "pencils", price: 0.35, quantity: 12.0),
    (name: "erasers", price: 0.50, quantity: 6.0)
]

for case let (name, price, quantity) in supplies {
    print("\(name), $\(price * quantity)")
}
// pencils, $4.2
// erasers, $3.0
```

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CHAPTER TWO

Swift Types

Structs

- Value types can be allocated and passed by value; i.e., copied on stack.
- Declared with **struct** keyword, followed by curly braces
- Can contain properties, methods, and initializers (constructors)

Stored Properties

- Value stored internally in struct, class or enum instance.
- Properties only declare accessors; actual storage is opaque.
- Compiler requires stored properties to be initialized.
 - Properties with no default value must be initialized in init.
 - Swift provides a *memberwise initializer* for read-write properties.
 - If there's no custom initializer, and all properties have default values, Swift provides a *default (no-arg) initializer*.

```
struct Point
{
    var x = 0.0
    var y = 0.0
}

// declares a struct with properties that all have default values

let p = Point()

// calls default initializer, which returns a point with origin 0.0, 0.0

let p2 = Point(x: 10.0, y: 20.0)

// calls memberwise initializer, returning a point with origin 10.0, 20.0
```

Custom Initializers

- Default values can also be provided in an init method's parameter list.
 - Parameters that have default values are not required in calls to initializers.

```
struct Point
{
    var x = 0.0
    var y = 0.0

    let pointsPerPixel: Double

    init(x: Double, y: Double, pointsPerPixel: Double = 2.0)
    {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.pointsPerPixel = pointsPerPixel
    }
}
// pointsPerPixel not required to be passed as argument to initializer

let p = Point(x: 10.0, y: 20.0)
let p2 = Point(x: 10.0, y: 20.0, pointsPerPixel: 3.0)
// both the above calls succeed
```

Computed Properties

- No stored value
 - Value is computed whenever the property is accessed.
 - Can be read-only or read-write.

```
struct Dog
    var name: String
    var toys: [String]
    // read-only computed property
    var favoriteToy: String {
        get { return toys.isEmpty ? "N/A" : toys[0] }
   // ...
var rover = Dog(name: "Rover", toys: ["Ball", "Rope", "Frisbee"])
print("favorite toy: \(rover.favoriteToy)")
// prints "favorite toy: Ball"
struct Dog
    // ...
    // read-write computed property
    var toyNames: String {
        get { return toys.joinWithSeparator(", ") }
        set { toys = newValue.characters.split {
                         ", ".characters.contains($0).map { String($0) }} }
    }
   // ...
rover.toyNames = "Kong, Ball, KittyKat"
print("toys: \(rover.toys)")
// prints "toys: [Kong, Ball, KittyKat]"
```

Property Observers

- Can be used with anything declared as var, as long as it has an explicit type and initial value.
 - willSet automatically passed newValue
 - didSet automatically passed oldValue

```
var text: String = "Hello" {
    didSet {
        print("Set text to \((text), old value was \((oldValue)"))
}
// defines variable 'text' and implements 'didSet' observer
text = "Bye"
// prints "Set text to Bye, old value was Hello"
var number: Int = Int(42) {
   willSet {
        print("About to set number to new value \((newValue)\)")
    didSet {
        print("Number is now \(number); old value was \(oldValue)")
}
// defines variable 'number' and implements property observers
print(number)
// prints 42
number = 5
// prints "About to set number to new value 5"
          "Number is now 5; old value was 123"
```

Methods

- Syntax the same as for functions, but calling semantics slightly different
 - For methods with multiple parameters, all but the first param name are external by default

```
// here, suffix and numberOfTimes have external names, prefix does not
func bark(prefix: String, suffix: String, numberOfTimes: Int)
{
    for _ in 1...numberOfTimes {
        print("\(prefix), \(barkText) \(suffix)")
    }
}
fido.bark(prefix: "Grrr", suffix: "(pant, pant)", numberOfTimes: 2)
```

To externalize internal names:

```
// here, all three params have external names
func bark(prefix prefix: String, suffix: String, numberOfTimes: Int)
{
    // ...
}
fido.bark(prefix: "Grrr", suffix: "(pant, pant)", numberOfTimes: 2)
```

You can also specify explicit external names

```
// here, the external name for numberOfTimes is repetitions
func woof(prefix prefix: String, suffix: String, repetitions numberOfTimes:
Int)
{
    // ...
}
fido.woof(prefix: "Grrr", suffix: "(pant, pant)", repetitions: 2)
```

Protocols

- Provide a means to share method and property declarations among structs, classes of various types
- Similar to **interfaces** in other languages, but allows methods to be declared as optional (NOTE: Swift 2 protocol extensions can also provide implementations of protocol methods)
- Declared with protocol keyword

```
protocol Likeable {
    var numberOfLikes: Int { get set } // property declaration
    // method declarations
    func like()
    func unlike()
}

class Person: Likeable {
    // ...
    var numberOfLikes = 0
    // ...
    func like() {
        numberOfLikes++;
    }

    func unlike() {
        if (numberOfLikes > 0) {
            numberOfLikes--
        }
    }
}
```

Describing Objects

- CustomStringConvertible protocol declares description property
 - Called by print function
- CustomDebugStringConvertible protocol declares debugDescription property
 - Used by debugger as part of formatted value presented by its built-in print-object (po) command

```
class Person: Likeable, CustomStringConvertible
{
    ...
    var description: String {
        return "\((firstName)\) \((lastName)\), +\((number0fLikes)\)"
    }
}
```

```
let fred = Person(firstName: "Fred", lastName: "Smith")
fred.like()
print(fred)

fred.like()
print(fred)

// prints the following on the console:
//
// Fred Smith, +1
// Fred Smith, +2
```

The Equatable Protocol

- Declares a generic function that defines the behavior of the
 == operator
- Can be overloaded for custom types

```
// From declaration in Swift Standard Library:
protocol Equatable {
   func ==(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
}
```

```
// Overloading for Friendable type
func ==(lhs: Friendable, rhs: Friendable) -> Bool
{
    return lhs.friendID == rhs.friendID
}
```

```
func testEquatable() {
    let p1 = Person("Fred", "Smith", 100)
    let p2 = Person("Fred", "Smith", 100)
    let p3 = Person("Fred", "Smith", 99)

    print("p1 == p1 is \(p1 == p1)")
    print("p1 == p2 is \(p1 == p2)")
    print("p1 == p3 is \(p1 == p3)")

    print("p1 === p1 is \(p1 == p3)")

    print("p1 === p1 is \(p1 === p1)")
    print("p1 === p1 is \(p1 === p2)")
}

// prints the following on the console:
p1 == p1 is true
p1 == p3 is false
p1 === p1 is true
p1 === p1 is true
p1 === p1 is false
```

Lab 5: Rectangle

- 1. Declare three structs, as follows:
 - 1.1. A **Point** structure with properties **x** and **y** of type Double.
 - 1.2. A **Size** structure with properties **width** and **height** of type Double.
 - 1.3. A **Rectangle** structure with properties **origin** and **size** of type **Point** and **Size**, respectively.
 - 1.4. Add a computed property in **Rectangle** that returns the area of the rectangle as a Double.
 - 1.5. Add another computed property in **Rectangle** that returns a **Point** that represents the rectangle's center.
 - 1.6. Add a method to **Rectangle** that takes two parameters, **dx**, and **dy**, and returns a rectangle instance offset from the original by the amount of the arguments.
 - 1.7. Write unit tests to test the functionality developed in the previous steps.

Extensions

- Add methods and read-only properties to existing structs, classes, protocols (in Swift 2), and enums
- Declared with **extension** keyword, followed by the name of the type being extended, followed by curly braces
 - Can specify additional protocols

```
extension Dog {
    var numberOfLegs: Int { return 4 } // Computed property (read-only)
    func howl() {
        print("Awooooooh!")
    }
    func growl() {
            print("Grrrrrr!")
    }
}
// Adds 'howl' and 'growl' methods to the Dog class

var fido = Dog()
fido.howl() // prints "Awooooooh!"
fido growl()
```

String Methods

Working with String methods:

```
let fruits = [ "Apple", "Pear", "Banana"]
let fruitString = fruits.joinWithSeparator(", ")
print(fruitString) // prints "Apple, Pear, Banana"
// Breaking split down into separate steps for clarity...
func isSeparator(character: Character) -> Bool {
   return ", ".characters.contains(character)
let elements = fruitString.characters.split(isSeparator: isSeparator)
let text = "Hello World!"
text characters count //prints 12
let hasH = text characters contains("H")  // arg is character, not string
print(hasH)
                   // prints true
let hasVowels = text.characters.contains({ "aeiou".characters.contains($0) })
print (hasVowels) // prints true
let location = text.characters.indexOf("W") // arg is character, not string
                // prints "Optional(6)"
print(location)
   Working with ranges:
for currChar in text {
   print(currChar)
// prints each character in the string, one per line
let firstChar = text[text.startIndex]
let secondChar = text[text.startIndex.successor()]
let thirdChar = text[text.startIndex.advancedBy(2)]
let startIndex = text.startIndex.advancedBy(6)
text[startIndex] // returns "W"
let endIndex = text.endIndex.advancedBy(-1)
text[endIndex] // returns "!"
let range1 = Range(start: startIndex, end: endIndex)
text[range1] // returns "World"
let range2 = startIndex ..< endIndex</pre>
```

text[range2] // returns "World"

String Ranges

A string's characters can be enumerated like an array:

```
for currChar in text.characters {
    print(currChar)
}
// prints each character in the string, one per line
```

Use ranges to specify portions of a string:

```
let startIndex = text.startIndex.advancedBy(6)
text[startIndex] // returns "W"

let endIndex = text.endIndex.advancedBy(-1)
text[endIndex] // returns "!"

let range1 = Range(start: startIndex, end: endIndex)
text[range1] // returns "World"

// You can use a Range literal to specify a range:
//
let range2 = startIndex ..< endIndex // Half-open range
text[range2] // returns "World"

let range3 = startIndex ... endIndex // Closed range
text[range3] // returns "World!"</pre>
```

Bridging to Foundation

- Many Swift library structs such as String, Array,
 Dictionary, Set, and Error are bridged to Foundation.
- For example, Swift strings are bridged to NSString and NSMutableString, as shown below:

 Foundation objects have powerful features; e.g., some can serialize/deserialize themselves to/from a file:

```
let s1 = "Apple, Pear, Banana"
let fileName = "/tmp/fruit.txt"
let encoding = String.Encoding(rawValue: String.Encoding.utf8.rawValue)

do {
    // Try to write string "Apple, Pear, Banana" to a file...
    try s1.write(toFile: fileName, atomically: true, encoding: encoding)

    // Try to initialize a new string with the file's contents...
    let s2 = try String(contentsOfFile: fileName, encoding: encoding)

    // Do something with the new string...
}
catch _ {
    print("Unable to write to file \((fileName)"))
}
```

Classes

- Reference types typically allocated in heap and passed by reference.
- Similar to structs, but with additional capabilities, such as inheritance
- Declared with class keyword optionally followed by colon and name of superclass — followed by curly braces
- Can contain properties, methods, and initializers/deinitializers (constructors/destructors)

```
class Animal {
    var isPet: Bool = false
// Declares Animal class
class Dog: Animal {
   var name: String = ""
   func bark() {
       print("Woof, woof!")
    func description() -> String {
       return "name: \(name), is pet: " + (isPet ? "yes" : "no")
}
// Declares Dog to be a subclass of Animal
                    // allocates a Dog instance
var rover = Dog()
rover.name = "Rover" // modifies name
rover.isPet = true; // modifies isPet
print(rover.description())
// prints "name: Rover, is pet: yes"
```

Type Properties and Methods

- In addition to instance properties and methods, structs, classes, and enums can have type properties and methods.
 - Declare with static keyword
 - Classes can have methods declared with class keyword (note: unlike static methods, class methods are inherited)
 - Swift 2 supports **class** type qualifier for class properties

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CHAPTER THREE

Optionals and Error Handling

The Optional Enum

- nil is an illegal value in Swift
- Optionals are wrappers for values that may potentially be nil

Declaration from the Swift Standard Library

```
public enum Optional<Wrapped> : _Reflectable, NilLiteralConvertible {
    case None
    case Some(Wrapped)
    /// Construct a `nil` instance.
    public init()
    /// Construct a non-`nil` instance that stores `some`.
    public init(_ some: Wrapped)
    /// If `self == nil`, returns `nil`. Otherwise, returns `f(self!)`.
    @warnunusedresult
    public func map<U>(@noescape f: (Wrapped) throws -> U) rethrows -> U?
/// Returns `nil` if `self` is nil, `f(self!)` otherwise.
    @warnunusedresult
    public func flatMap<U>(@noescape f: (Wrapped) throws -> U?) rethrows -> U?
    /// Create an instance initialized with `nil`.
    public init(nilLiteral: ())
extension Optional : CustomDebugStringConvertible {
    /// A textual representation of `self`, suitable for debugging.
    var debugDescription: String { get }
```

Using Optionals

 You can use a question mark to declare a variable as optional:

```
var name: String?
// declares name to be an optional string
if name == nil {
    print("name is nil")
}
// prints "name is nil"
name = "Fred"
```

- You can use an exclamation point to unwrap an optional. This
 is called forced unwrapping.
 - As the name implies, it's less safe than other approaches.

```
if name != nil {
    print("name is \((name)\)")
    // prints "name is Optional("Fred")"
    print("name is " + name!)
    // prints "name is Fred"
}
```

Optional Binding

- You can safely unwrap an optional using an if-let statement.
 - If the assignment succeeds, the let constant contains the unwrapped value.

```
var name: String? = "Fred"
if let someName = name {
    print("name is " + someName)
}
// prints "name is Fred"

func formattedName1(name: String?) -> String {
    if let someName = name {
        return "name is \((someName)\)"
    } else {
        return "name unknown"
    }
}

formattedName("Fred")
// prints "name is Fred"

formattedName(nil)
// prints "name unknown"
```

A guard-let statement is a convenient alternative to if-let:

```
func formattedName2(name: String?) -> String {
    guard let someName = name else {
        return "name unknown"
    }
    return "name is \((someName)\)"
}

formattedName("Fred")
// prints "name is Fred"

formattedName(nil)
// prints "name unknown"
```

Guard vs. the Pyramid of Doom

 Consider the 'pyramid of doom' style of nested if—let statements in the following example:

```
func format1(person: Person?) -> String
{
   if let p = person {
      if let name = p.fullName {
         if let ageStr = p.age, let age = Int(ageStr) {
            return "\(name), age: \(age)"
            } else { return name }
      } else { return "missing name" }
   }
   return "person cannot be nil"
}
```

 Here's the previous example rewritten using guard-let statements:

```
func format2(person: Person?) -> String
{
    guard let p = person else {
        return "person cannot be nil"
    }
    guard let name = p.fullName else {
        return "missing name"
    }
    guard let ageStr = p.age, let age = Int(ageStr) else {
        return name
    }
    return "\(name), age: \(age)"
}
```

Casts

- Check type with is, is?, or is!
- Downcast with as, as?, or as!

```
let words: [Any] = ["Hello", "World"]
let word: String = words[0] as! String // force downcast from Any to String
// prints "Hello"
var things: [Any?] = [42, "Hello", 3.5]
if let answer: Int? = things[0] as? Int { // downcast to optional Int
    print(answer)
// prints 42
var objects: [Any] = [42, "Fred", 3.5]
for object in objects {
                        { print("The answer is \(object)") }
    if object is Int
    if object is String { print("Hi \(object), how are you?") }
// prints "The answer is 42"
         "Hi Fred, how are you?"
for object in objects {
    switch (object) {
    case let value as Int:
       print("The answer is \(value / 6)")
    case let value as String:
       print("Hi \(value), have a nice day!")
    case let value as Double:
        print("It's \(value)°F? Brr, that's cold.")
       print("The object is \(object)")
    }
}
// prints "The answer is 7"
         "Hi Fred, have a nice day!"
          "It's 3.5°F? Brr, that's cold."
```

Error Handling

 Swift throws errors rather than exceptions. Errors are defined by enums conforming to the Error protocol.

```
enum MathError: Error {
    case ZeroDivide
    case Overflow
}
```

 Methods and functions that throw must be annotated with the throws keyword

```
func divide2(numerator: Int, denominator: Int) throws -> Int? {
   if denominator == 0 {
      throw MathError.ZeroDivide
   }
   return numerator / denominator
}
```

 Each call to a method or functions that throws must be prefixed with try?, try!, or else try inside a do-catch block.

```
let x = try! divide2(12, denominator: 3)
// produces 4

if let x = try? divide2(12, denominator: 3) { print(x) }
// produces Optional(4)

do {
    let result = try divide2(42, denominator: 0)
    print("result is \((result)\)")
}
catch MathError.ZeroDivide {
    print("Zero divide")
}
// prints "Zero divide"
```

 Note that thrown errors don't unwind the stack; instead they trigger an early return that incorporates the error value.

Implicitly Unwrapped Optionals

- Use exclamation point to qualify types you want implicitly unwrapped.
 - The resulting optional can then be used as if it were unwrapped.
 - The developer is responsible for ensuring that the value will not be directly accessed when nil (other than testing for nil).

```
let lastName: String! = "Smith"

// lastName contains an optional that wraps the string "Smith"

print("name is \((lastName)"))

// prints "name is Smith"
```

The Nil Coalescing Operator

- The nil coalescing operator is ??.
- Combines ternary expression and optional unwrapping.

```
let special: Double?
// ...

let discount = special ?? 0.15

// Assigns 0.15 to discount if special is nil,
// otherwise assigns unwrapped value of special

// The preceding expression is shorthand for:
let discount = special == nil ? 0.15 : special!
```

Can be used as part of a larger expression:

Optional Chaining

Combines optional unwrapping and property access.

```
var person: Person? = Person(firstName: "Fred", lastName: nil, age: 29)
person!.dog = Dog(name: "Rover", toys: ["Ball", "Frisbee"])

// creates an optional Person with an optional Dog

print(person?.firstName)

// prints "Optional("Fred")

// prints "Optional(["Ball, "Frisbee"])
```

CHAPTER FOUR

Collections and Closures

Closures

- Swift functions can be passed as arguments and can be used as return values.
 - General form of closure syntax:

```
{ (parameters) -> return_type in
    // statements
}
```

Example — passing a named function:

```
let fruit = ["Pear", "Apple", "Peach", "Banana"]
```

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```
func ascending(s1: String, s2: String) -> Bool {
    return s1 < s2
}
let sortedFruit = fruit.sort(ascending)
// value is ["Apple", "Banana", "Peach", "Pear"]</pre>
```

Examples of syntactic flexibility:

```
// passing anonymous closure
let sortedFruit2 = fruit.sort({ (s1: String, s2: String) -> Bool in
    return s1 < s2
})
// anonymous closure with streamlined syntax
let sortedFruit3 = fruit.sort({ s1, s2 -> Bool in
    return s1 < s2
})
// trailing closure syntax
let sortedFruit4 = fruit.sort { s1, s2 -> Bool in
    s1 < s2
}
// trailing closure with positional parameters
var sortedFruit5 = fruit.sort { $0 < $1 }</pre>
// passing '<' function</pre>
var sortedFruit6 = fruit.sort(<)</pre>
```

Working with Closures

Executing a closure

```
let WavyDash = UnicodeScalar(0x03030)

func showDate(completion: () -> Void)
{
    print("The current date and time is now \(NSDate())")
    completion() // Executes the closure
}

showDate {
    let wavyLine = String(count: 7, repeatedValue: WavyDash)
    print("\(wavyLine)" + " MESSAGE " + "\(wavyLine)")
}

// prints:
//
// The current date and time is now 2015-07-19 15:56:23 +0000
// WESSAGE
```

 Closures automatically capture and store references to constants and variables from the enclosing scope.

```
func growl(numberOfTimes: Int, performGrowl: () -> Void)
{
    for count in 1...numberOfTimes {
        print("\(count) of \(numberOfTimes): ")
            performGrowl()
    }
}
let n = 3
growl(n) {
    print("Grrr!")
}

// prints the following...
//
// 1 of 3: Grrr!
// 2 of 3: Grrr!
// 3 of 3: Grrr!
```

map

- The map method operates on collections by applying a closure to each element successively.
 - Returns an array of the closure's return values.

```
let fruits = ["apple", "pear", "banana"]
let capitalizedFruits = fruits.map { $0.capitalizedString }
print(capitalizedFruits)
// prints "[Apple, Pear, Banana]"
```

Powerful way to work with arrays of complex objects:

```
struct Grocery {
    let name: String
    let price: Double
    let quantity: Int
}
let groceries = [
    Grocery(name: "Apples", price: 0.65, quantity: 12),
    Grocery(name: "Milk", price: 1.25, quantity: 2),
    Grocery(name: "Crackers", price: 2.35, quantity: 3),
1
let costs = groceries.map {
    // a tuple containing current item's name and cost
    ($0.name, $0.price * Double($0.quantity))
}
print(costs)
// prints "[(Apples, 7.8), (Milk, 2.5), (Crackers, 7.05)]"
```

reduce

- The **reduce** method operates similarly to **map**, but instead of returning an array, returns a single value.
 - First argument is initial value
 - Second argument is a closure that returns the value of the current item in the collection combined with the current sum.

reduce (Continued)

 As with map, provides a powerful way to work with arrays of complex objects:

```
let total = groceries.reduce(0.0) { sum, item in
    sum + (item.price * Double(item.quantity))
}
// produces 17.35
```

 Applying reduce to array of tuples from an earlier map example:

```
let string = costs.reduce("Costs") { text, item in
   text + "name: \(item.0), cost: \(item.1)\n"
}
print(string)
// name: Apples, cost: 7.8
// name: Milk, cost: 2.5
// name: Crackers, cost: 7.05
// fancier version of preceding example:
let text = costs.reduce("Costs\n=======\n") {
   $0 + String(format: "%8s%6.2f\n",
        NSString(string: $1.0).UTF8String, $1.1)
}
print(text)
Costs
_____
 Apples 7.80
   Milk 2.50
Crackers 7.05
```

filter

• The **filter** method returns an array of objects that match the condition specified by its closure argument.