

Auto Layout



What is Auto Layout?

Auto Layout is a system that lets you lay out your app's user interface by creating a mathematical description of the relationships between the elements. You define these relationships in terms of constraints either on individual elements, or between sets of elements.

- Apple's Layout Guide

Advantages

- Way more sophisticated (can accomplish more)
- Really helpful for internationalization / device rotation
- Makes animations more safe/consistent.
- Using w/ Size Classes can help use same UI for iPhone as well as iPad

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📧 Kelly Westover 11:30 AM
Birthday party

● Gilbert Solano 11:27 AM
New kitten

● Steve Benedict 11:27 AM
Jersey trip

● Tim Butler 11:27 AM
Moving next week

● Fermin Mata 11:26 AM
Beautiful site

● Jake Harman 11:26 AM
Camping in Yosemite

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From: Kelly Westover >

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To: Katie Ball >

Birthday party

July 24, 2014 at 11:30 AM

I've got balloons. I've got cake. I even bought trick candles. We're meeting at my place [at 7:00 p.m. this Friday](#). (As you know, Uli has no idea we're throwing him a party.) We'll have hors d'oeuvres before we light the cake and sing. Then we're all heading out in the Mission.



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Conference call

Go for run

Brainstorming session

Check-in

Family movie

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Calendars

Inbox

Constraints

- Can be built in Interface Builder
- Can be written in code using a "Visual Format Language"
- Can be built with objects.
- (Also a few third party options)

Intrinsic Size

- Height and Width figured out at layout time
- Content views that have content:
 - UILabel
 - UIImage

Other Thoughts

- No one way to use auto layout
- People new to auto layout tend to over constrain things
- Runtime will remove constraints if needed

Demos