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iOS programming

Lesson # 5

Review

- Set up a new iOS project in XCode
- Components of an iOS app
- Launch flow
- Application lifecycle
- MVC
- UIView & UIViewController

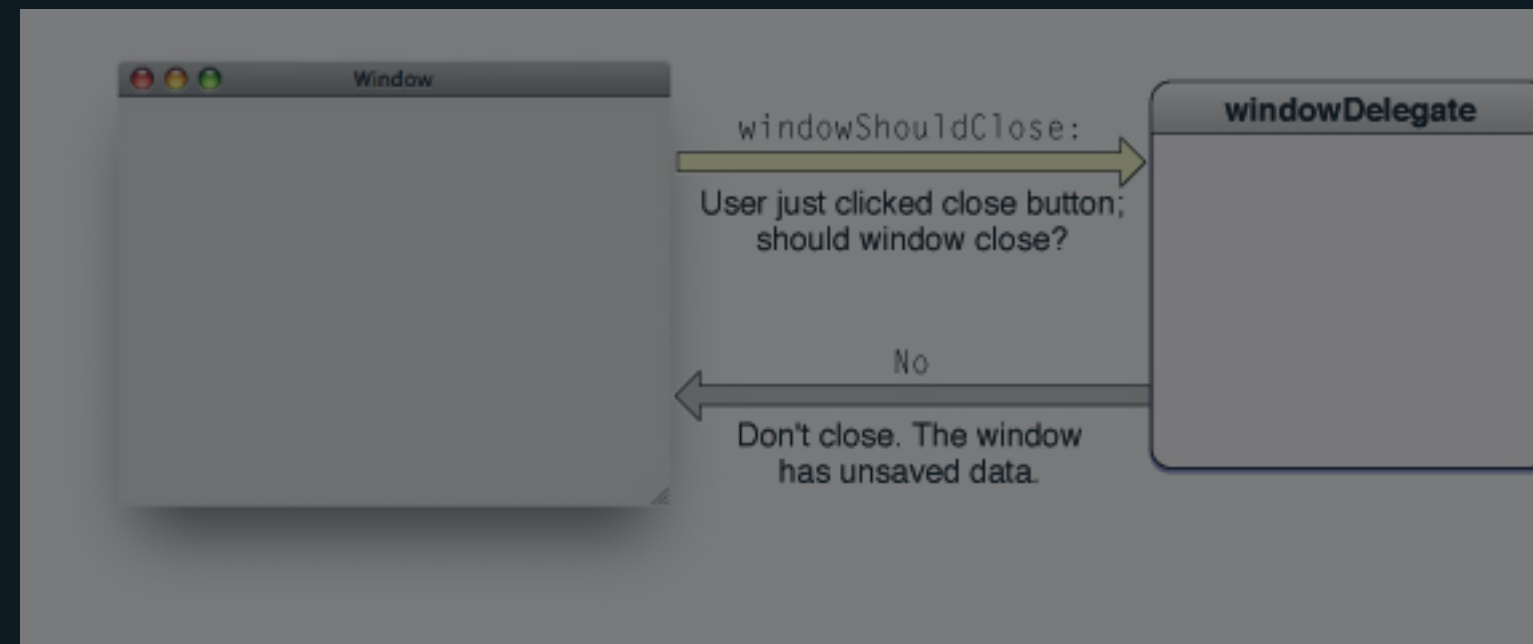
Agenda

- Delegate pattern
- UINavigationController
- UITableView & UITableViewController
- UICollectionView & UICollectionViewController
- Auto Layout
- Unified Storyboard & Size classes

Delegate pattern

- Design pattern to get an object to delegate parts of its tasks to another object
- The delegate object holds a reference to another object called the delegate
- The delegating object calls one or more methods on the delegate
- Delegate patterns are widely used in Cocoa Touch

Delegate pattern (Cont'd)



Delegate pattern (Cont'd)

What is needed?

Delegate pattern (Cont'd)

1: A protocol

```
protocol DataHandlerProtocol {  
    func didFinishGetting(data: NSData)  
    func didFailGettingData(error: NSError)  
}
```

Delegate pattern (Cont'd)

2: A delegate that implements the protocol

```
class A : DataHandlerProtocol {  
    func didFinishGetting(data: NSData) {  
        print(data)  
    }  
  
    func didFailGettingData(error: NSError) {  
        print(error)  
    }  
}
```


Delegate pattern (Cont'd)

3: A delegating object

```
class Fetcher {  
    var delegate: DataHandlerProtocol?  
  
    func fetch() {  
        delegate?.didFinishGetting(NSData())  
    }  
}
```

Delegate pattern (Cont'd)

Delegate-pattern by a lot of classes, some of the well known ones are:

- UINavigationController
- UITableView
- UICollectionView

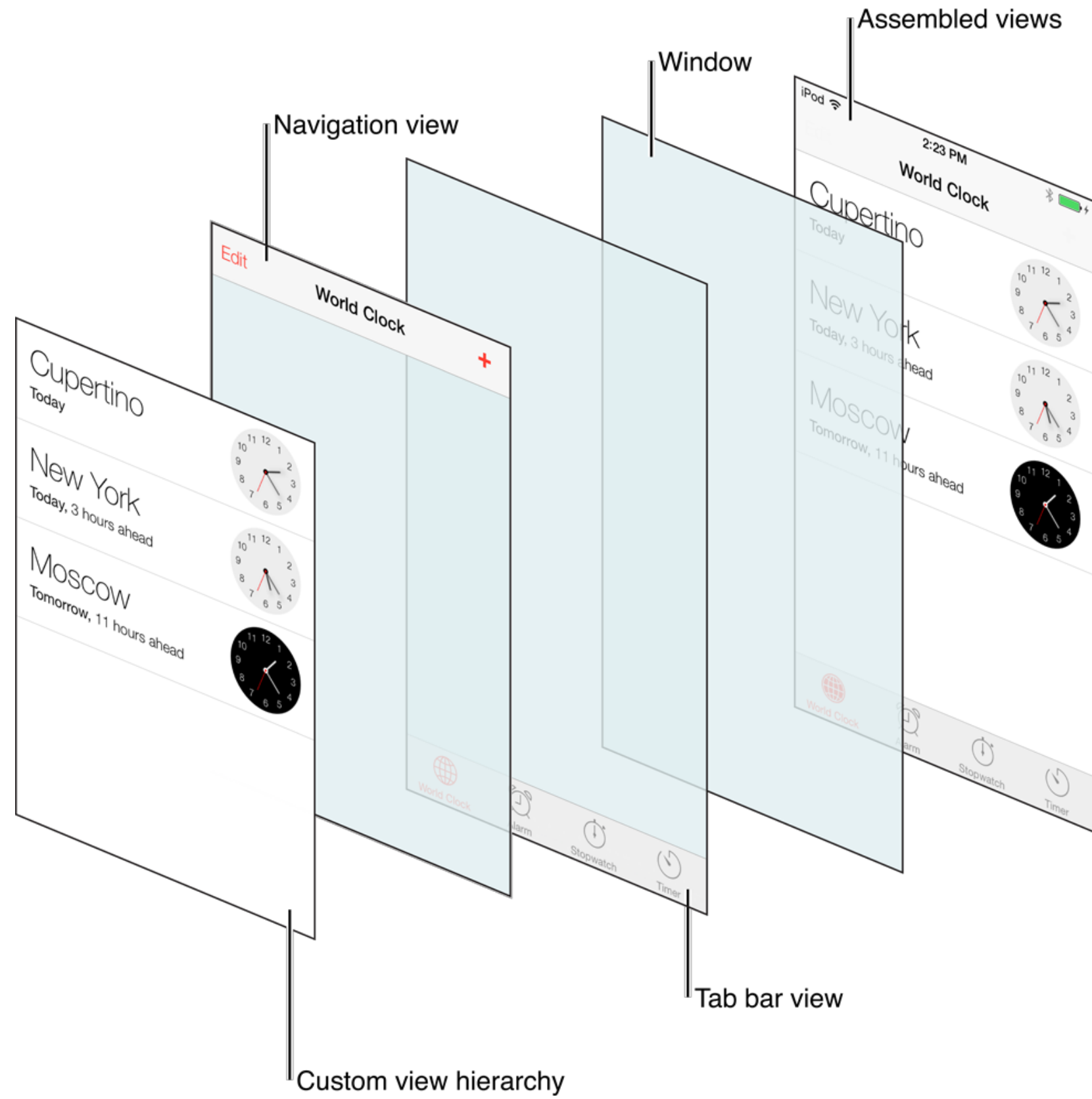
UINavigationController

- One of the standard components
- Keeps on a collection of UIViewController's
- A UINavigationController coordinates navigation between UIViewController
- In addition to navigation, it is also responsible for a UINavigationController and a UIToolbar

UINavigationController (Cont'd)

Note that:

- A UINavigationController keeps a collections of UIViewController
- A UIViewController (not UINavigationController) keeps a collection of views

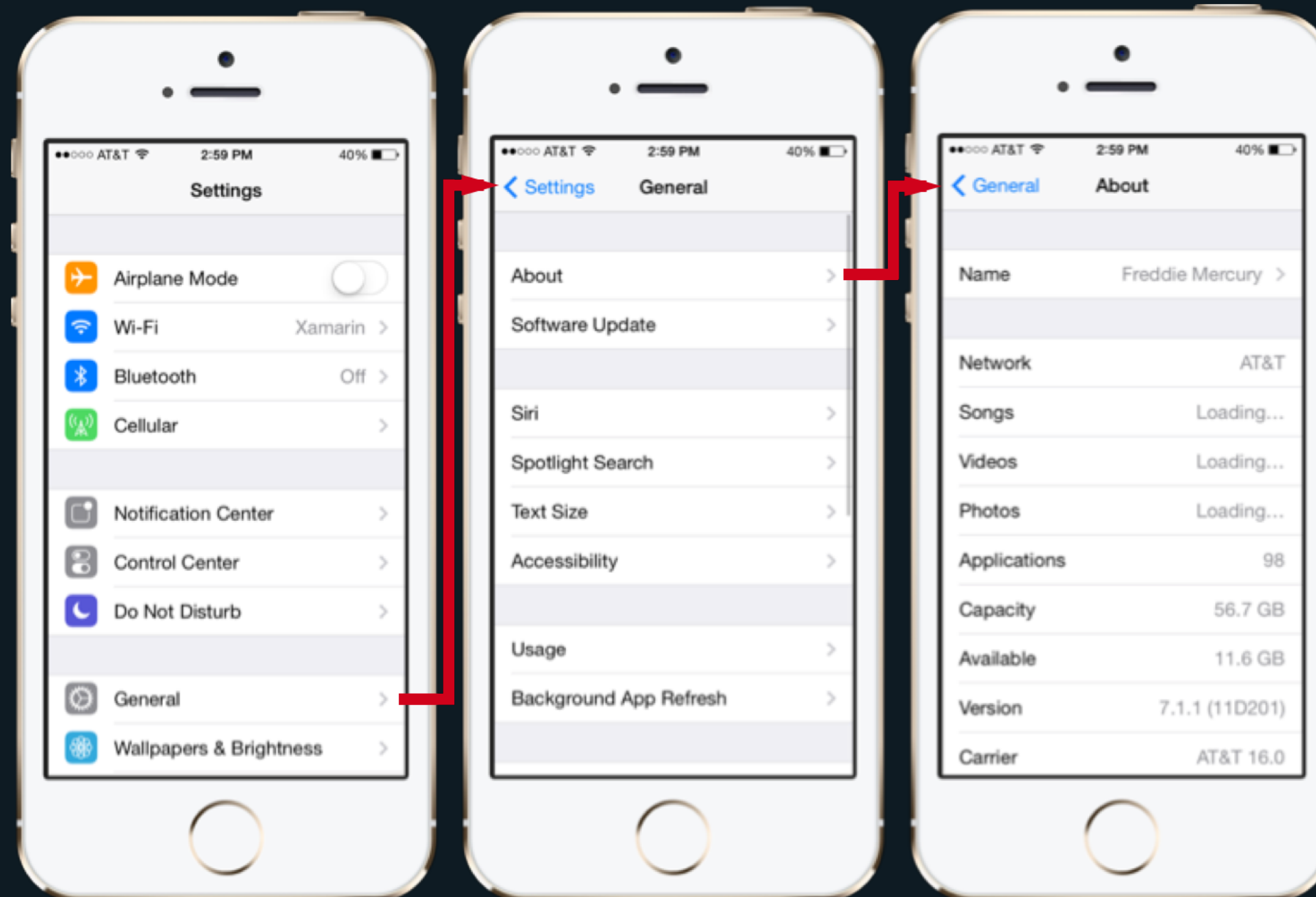


UINavigationController (Cont'd)

UIViewController is handled by UINavigationController by:

- Push & pop UIViewController on/off the UINavigationController view stack
- When a view is pushed, the new one comes in from the right
- When a view is popped, the view leaves to the right
- If you use storyboard, all this will be handled automatically

UINavigationController (Cont'd)



UINavigationController (Cont'd)

Can I do it in code?

```
# Presents a modal
let rootViewController = UIViewController()
var navigationController = UINavigationController(rootViewController: rootViewController)
presentViewController(navigationController animated:true, completion: nil)
```


Push & pop

```
var viewController = UINavigationController()  
navController.pushViewController(viewController, animated: true)  
navController.popViewControllerAnimated(true)
```

UIButton & UINavigationController

```
class ViewController: UIViewController {  
    override func viewDidLoad() {  
        super.viewDidLoad()  
  
        var rightButton = UIBarButtonItem(  
            barButtonItemSystemItem: UIBarButtonItemSystemItem.Add,  
            target: self,  
            action: #selector(buttonTouched:)  
        )  
  
        self.navigationItem.rightBarButtonItem = rightButton;  
    }  
  
    func buttonTouched(sender: AnyObject) {  
        self.navigationController?.pushViewController(ViewController(), animated: true)  
    }  
}
```

UILabel/Title & UINavigationController

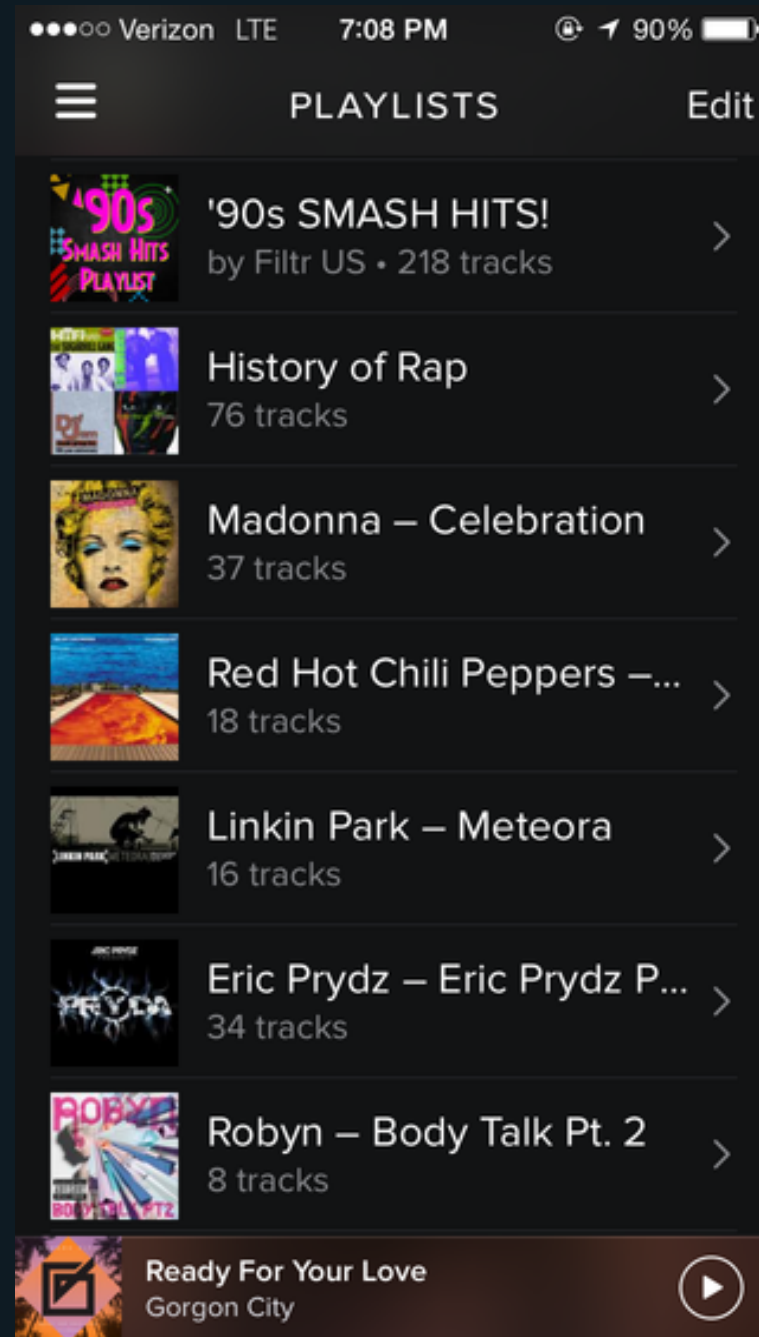
```
class ViewController: UINavigationController {  
    override func viewDidLoad() {  
        super.viewDidLoad()  
  
        self.navigationItem.title = "Test title"  
    }  
}
```

UITableView & UITableViewController

Some uses include:

- Navigating hierarchical data
- Presenting a list of elements
- Display detailed information and controls in visual groupings
- View selectable options

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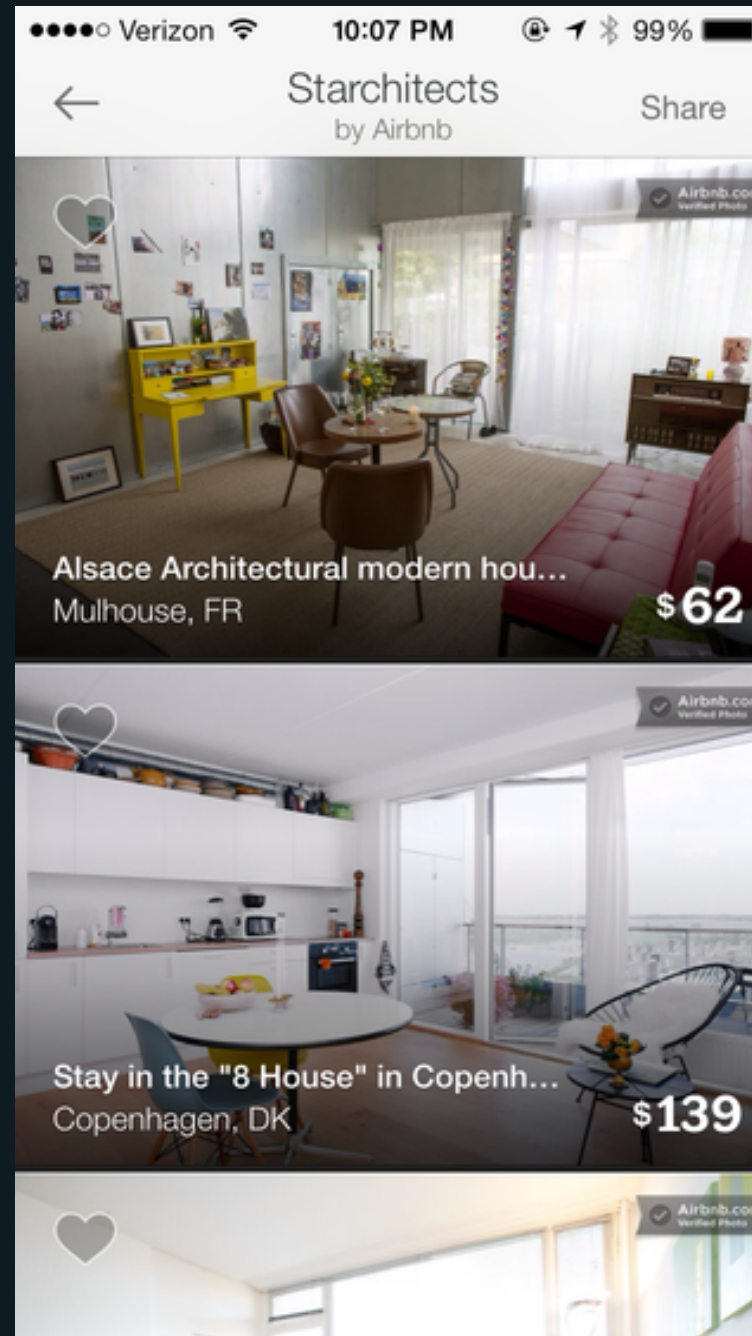
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Features and Content

- Each row consists of a UITableViewCell
- Comes with some pre-defined designs (can make custom designs too)
- Can respond to clicking on a cell
- Has implemented editing capabilities:
 - Add
 - Remove
 - Reorganise



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Canoga Park
Carlsbad
Chula Vista
Corte Madera
Costa Mesa
Emeryville
Escondido
Fresno
Glendale
Section Footer



View Controller - A controller that supports the fundamental view-management model in iPhone OS.

inherits from



Table View Controller - A controller that manages a table view.

manages & contains



Table View - Displays data in a list of plain, sectioned, or grouped rows.

manages & contains



Table View Cell - Defines the attributes and behavior of cells (rows) in a table view.



UITableViewDelegate - Implementing a delegate allows your class to respond to events occurring in another object. For example, in this case you can respond to a row selection in a table view.

implements



UITableViewDataSource - A datasource is very much like a delegate. However, it is delegated control of data. A table view is driven by an underlying data model and the datasource manages that relationship.

But how to put data before navigating? From the previous view controller!

```
// remmeber this?  
destinationViewController as? ReceivingViewController {  
    vc.message = message.text  
}
```

UICollectionView

- Is a more flexible alternative to UITableView
- Changes are made using subclassing
- You can implement grid, stack, circular layout
- Or anything else you can cook up

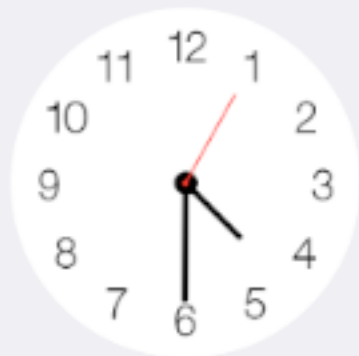
Edit

World Clock



Cupertino

Today



New York

Today, 3 hours ahead



Paris

Today, 9 hours ahead



Beijing

Tomorrow, 15 hours ahead



Tokyo

Tomorrow, 16 hours ahead



Moscow

Tomorrow, 11 hours ahead



Cell

Paris

Chamonix

Decoration view

Supplementary view

UICollectionViewController components

1: UICollectionView

Main view containing all the other views. This is very similar to UITableView

UICollectionViewController components (Cont'd)

2: UICollectionViewCell

Like UITableViewCell in UITableView. Cells can be created programmatically or via the interface builder (IB)

UICollectionViewController components (Cont'd)

3: Supplementary Views

You can add multiple views that are not cells

This is typically views at the top and bottom (header and footer)

UICollectionViewController components (Cont'd)

4: Decoration View

views that add no functionality, but are intended to make the collection view visually more beautiful

UICollectionViewController components (Cont'd)

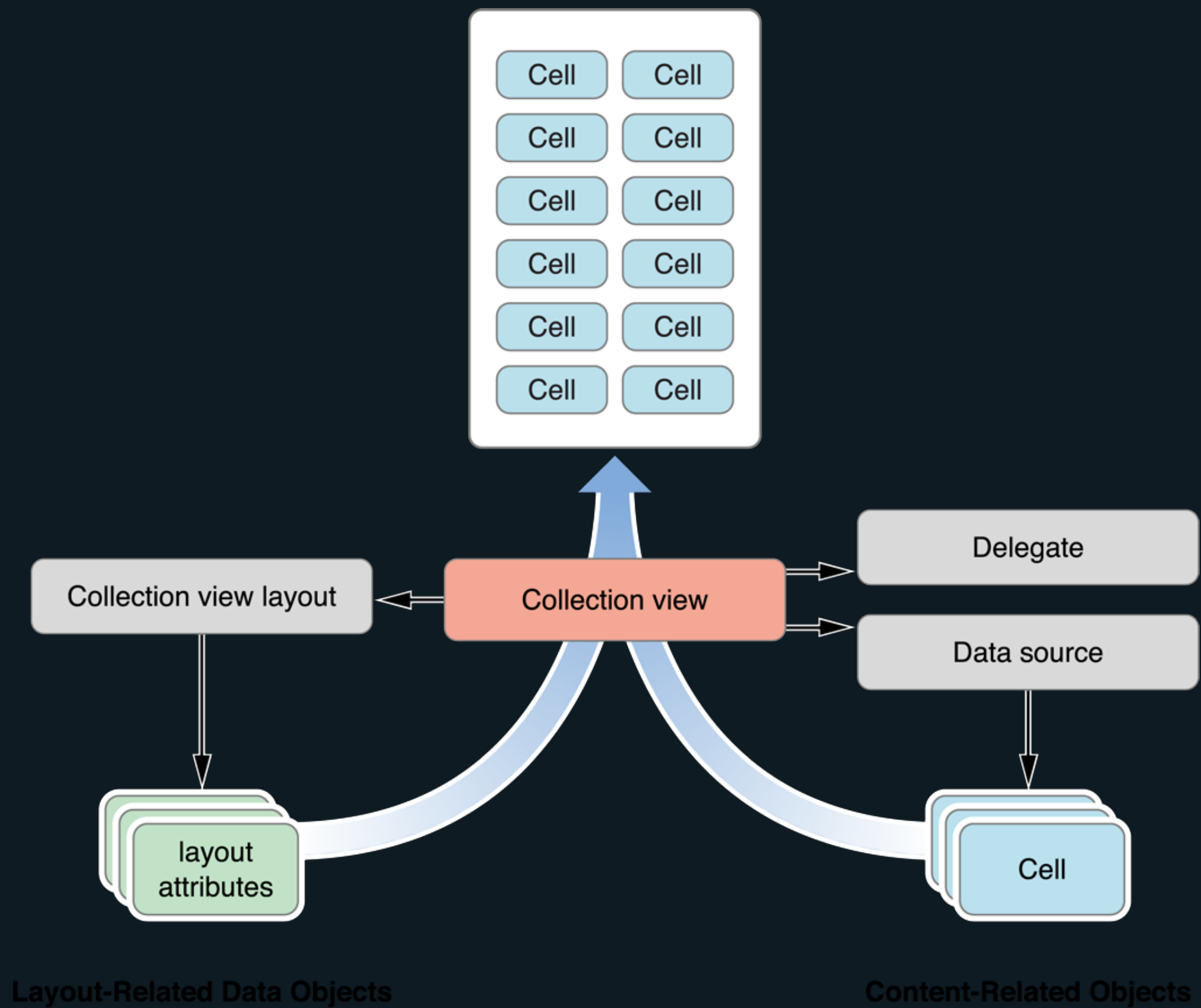
5: UICollectionViewLayout

Determines how the layout of the cells should be

Layout can be replaced runtime

UICollectionViewFlowLayout

Apple has created a custom layout that comes with collection views



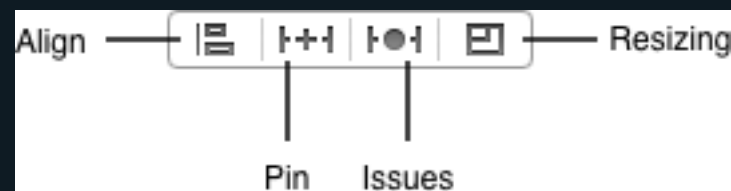
Auto Layout

- Build your user interface based on a set of rules
- You define the rules using Auto Layout
- The goal is to create a dynamic interface that responds to changes in size, orientation and location (language)
- Auto Layout is built into the Interface Builder

Auto Layout (Cont'd)

- Constant value - The physical size or offset in the number of points for the rule
- Relational - Use relationships and greater than, less than or equal to specify, for example, that a view's width ≥ 20 , or that a textview.leading \geq (superview.leading + 20).
- priority Level - Rules can have priority, so some may be less important than others. The priority set to max by default

Interface builder, point and click



Programmatically

```
// Visual Format Language
let views = ["button1": UIButton(), "button2": UIButton()]
var constraints = NSLayoutConstraint.constraintsWithVisualFormat(
    "[button1]-[button2]",
    options: NSLayoutFormatOptions.AlignAllBaseline,
    metrics: nil,
    views: views
)
```

Alternatives are also available (not part of the course)

- <https://github.com/robb/Cartography>
- <https://github.com/PureLayout/PureLayout>
- <https://github.com/SnapKit/Masonry>

It's recommended to do autolayout in storyboard

Enable and disable on NSLayoutConstraint

```
var active: Bool
```

```
class func activateConstraints(constraints: [AnyObject])
```

```
class func deactivateConstraints(constraints: [AnyObject])
```

Potential problems

- Missing of rules
- The view in the interface builder is placed somewhere else the rules will place it
- Conflicts
- Ambiguity - when there are multiple solutions for a view based on the rules

Demo

Constraints & Interface Builder

View debugging, press pause

Unified Storyboard & Size classes

What is it?

A way to make it easier to support multiple screen sizes

Unified Storyboard & Size classes (Cont'd)

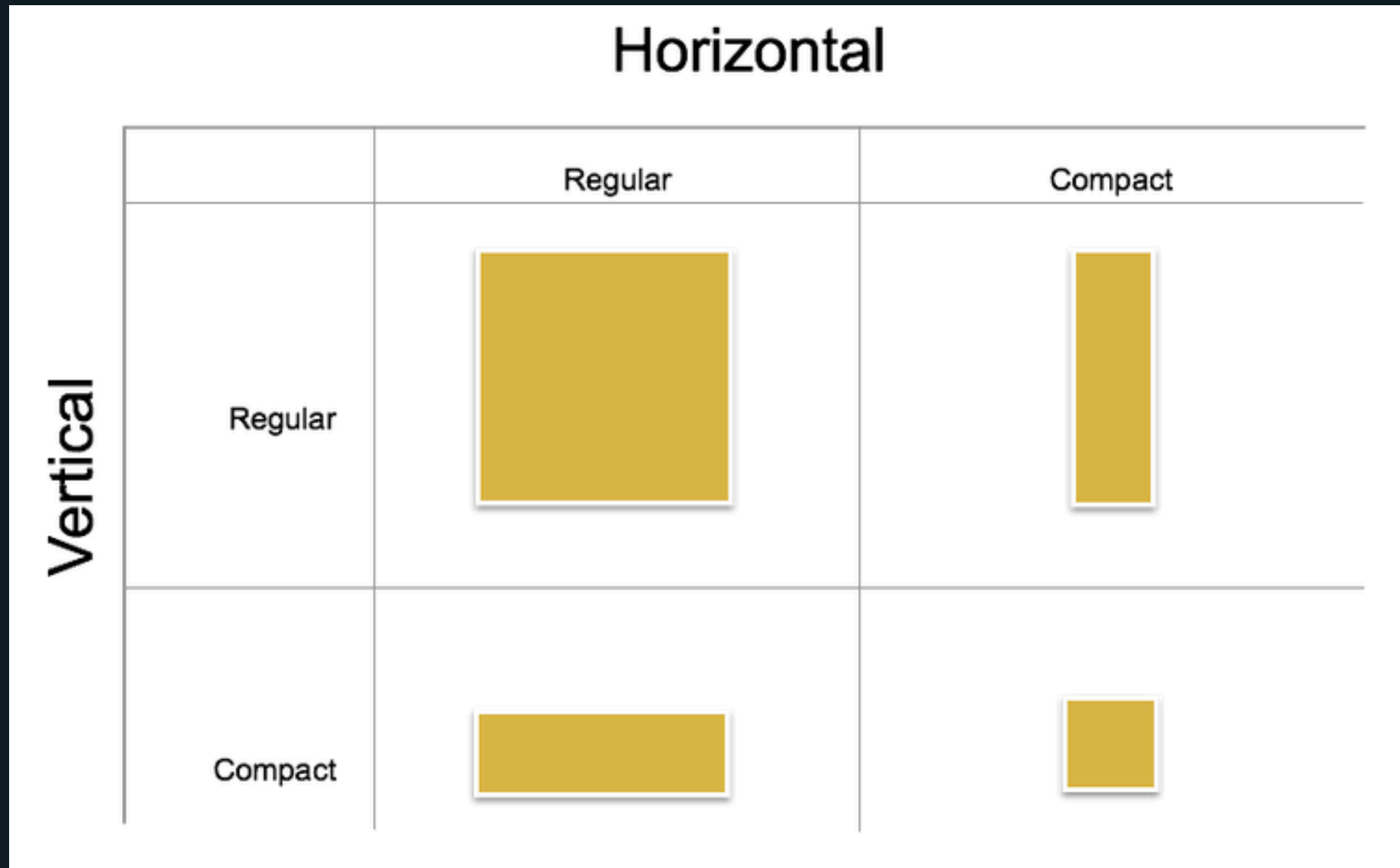
Why?

Apps should adapt to changing orientation and screen size to provide a better user experience

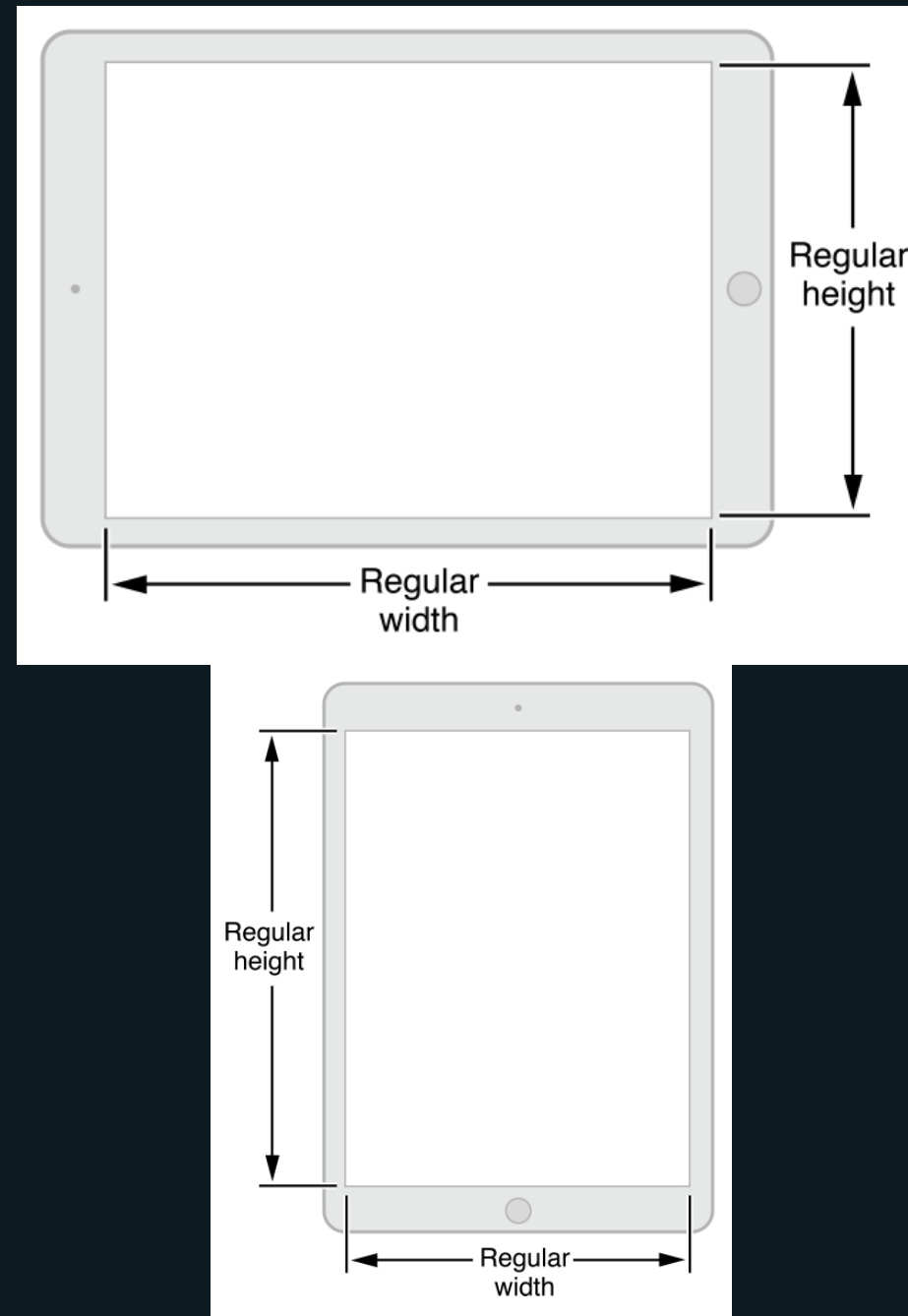
Size classes

- Regular - Represents a lot of screen space
- Compact - Represents little screen space

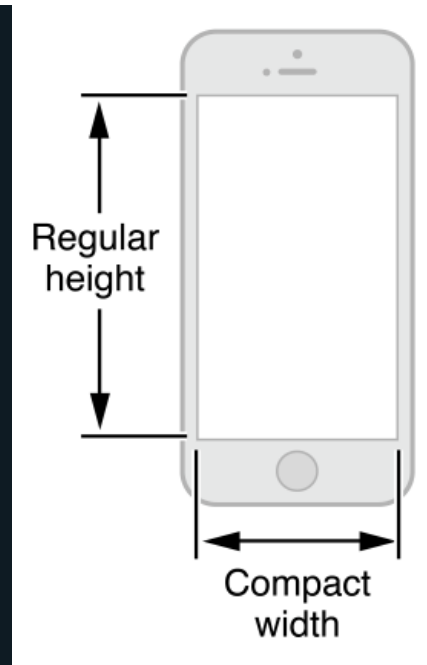
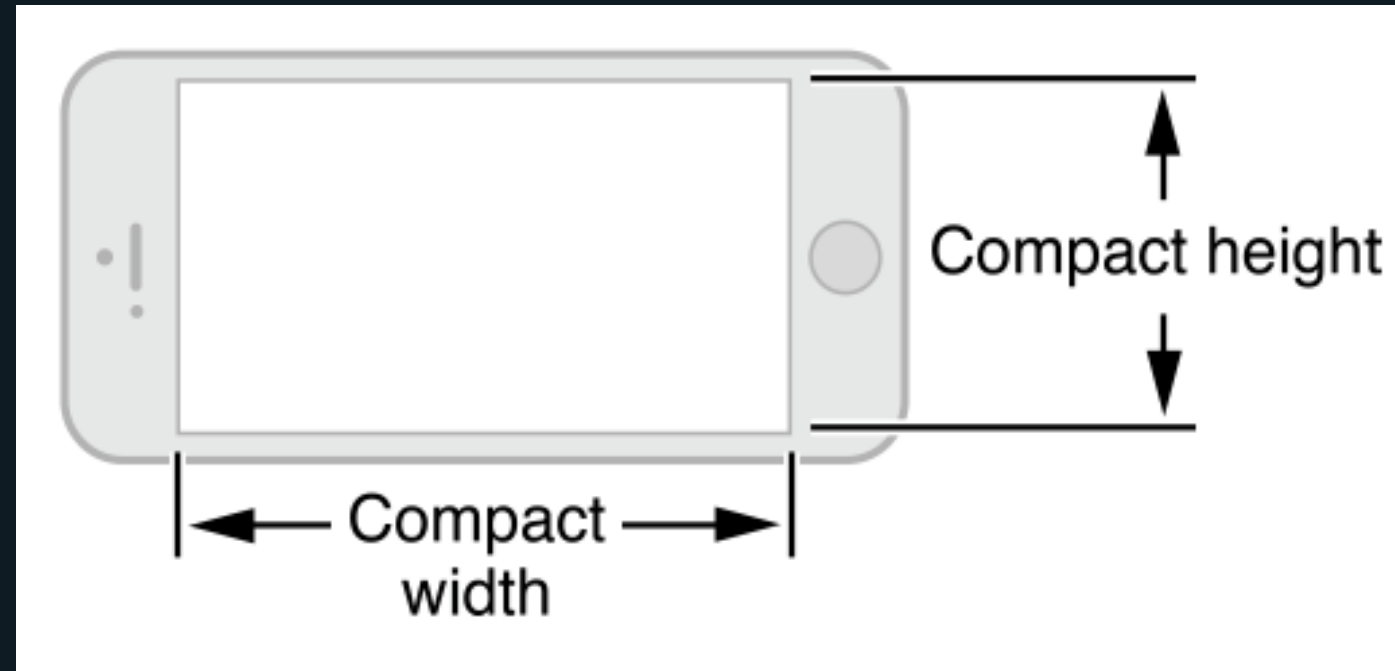
Size classes (Cont'd)



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Further reading

- Chapter 6 i iOS 8 Swift Programming Cookbook
- View Controller programming guide - Apple docs
 - The adaptive model