iOS

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1 Programmatic Startup iOS 13 onward

1.1 Motivation

From the introduction of iOS 13, there has been a splitting of AppDelegate into AppDelegate and SceneDelegate. Since SceneDelegate has components only introduced and available for iOS13, all of SceneDelegate is no longer backwards compatible. With 95% using iOS 11 onward (and 5% still using even earlier versions), it would be recommended to still support these users. To do so, we have to make alterations in three files; AppDelegate, SceneDelegate, and Info.plist.

1.2 Alterations to be made in *Info.plist*

Along with removing *Main.storyboard* from the project and setting the *Main interface* in the project settings page to nothing, we also need to remove the reference to 'Main' in the *Info.plist* file. To open the file:

- Right-click on the *Info.plist* file
- select open as \rightarrow Source Code

Then change the UIApplicationScene Manifest section to something like this with the MainStoryboard not defined

```
1
   <key>UIApplicationSceneManifest</key>
   <dict>
3
     <key>UIApplicationSupportsMultipleScenes</key>
 4
     <key>UISceneConfigurations</key>
5
 6
7
       <key>UIWindowSceneSessionRoleApplication</key>
8
       <arrav>
9
         <dict>
           <key>UILaunchStoryboardName</key>
10
11
           <string>LaunchScreen</string>
12
           <key>UISceneConfigurationName</key>
13
           <string>Default Configuration</string>
14
            <key>UISceneDelegateClassName</key>
            <string>$(PRODUCT_MODULE_NAME).SceneDelegate
15
16
       </dict>
17
       </array>
18
     </dict>
   </dict>
19
```

1.3 AppDelegate

No significant changes have to be made to *AppDelegate* since everything is compatible with iOS 11. All that is needed is to add a new variable to hold the *UIWindow* and then to initialize it how you used to (i.e. setting the root view-controller and making the window make and visible)

```
var window: UIWindow?
3
   func application(_ application: UIApplication, didFinishLaunchingWithOptions
       launchOptions: [UIApplication.LaunchOptionsKey: Any]?) -> Bool {
 4
     // Override point for customization after application launch.
 5
6
     window = window ?? UIWindow()
7
     window?.rootViewController = ViewController()
8
     window?.makeKeyAndVisible()
9
10
     return true
   }
11
```

1.4 SceneDelegate

The first requirement is to add limit the SceneDelegate to only be used for iOS 13+. To do this, add

1 @available(iOS 13.0, *)

on the line directly above the class declaration.

The usual window setup is as per usual:

```
import UIKit

Qavailable(iOS 13.0, *)

class SceneDelegate: UIResponder, UIWindowSceneDelegate {

var window: UIWindow?

func scene(_ scene: UIScene, willConnectTo session: UISceneSession, options connectionOptions: UIScene.ConnectionOptions) {
```

```
guard let windowScene = (scene as? UIWindowScene) else { return }

window = window ?? UIWindow(windowScene: windowScene)
window?.rootViewController = ViewController()
window?.makeKeyAndVisible()
}
...
```

2 AppDelegate

2.1 UIWindow()

To launch the app programmatically, we need in the AppDelegate in didFinishLaunchingWithOptions:

```
func application(_ application: UIApplication, didFinishLaunchingWithOptions
      launchOptions: [UIApplication.LaunchOptionsKey: Any]?) -> Bool {
2
    // Override point for customization after application launch.
3
4
    window = window ?? UIWindow()
    window?.rootViewController = UICollectionView()
5
6
    window?.makeKeyAndVisible()
7
8
    return true
9
  }
```

3 // MARK: -

3.1 Benefits of using MARKS

- consistency across files
- consistency across projects
- Keep code withing those files organized and easy to find.

3.2 Example Snippets

3.2.1 UIViewController

```
// MARK: - Properties
3
   // MARK: - IBOutlets
   // MARK: - Life cycle
5
6
7
   // MARK: - Set up
8
9
   // MARK: - IBActions
10
   // MARK: - Navigation
11
12
13
   // MARK: - Network Manager calls
14
15 // MARK: - Extensions
```

3.2.2 Models

```
1 // MARK: - Attributes
2 
3 // MARK: - Initializers
4 
5 // MARK: - Parsers
```

[1]

4 View Margin

A margin specifies where a sub-view of its can be constrained up to.

The following creates two square views with one inside the other. The outer view has a margin of 20 top, 10 on the other 3 sides. When the constraints for v2 are set, we need to use the v1.layoutMarginsGuide.—property to access the margins to be properly constrained. [?, pp.42]

```
let v1 = UIView()
   v1.translatesAutoresizingMaskIntoConstraints = false
   v1.backgroundColor = .blue
   v1.layoutMargins = UIEdgeInsets(top: 20, left: 10, bottom: 10, right: 10)
6
   let v2 = UIView()
   v2.translatesAutoresizingMaskIntoConstraints = false
   v2.backgroundColor = .red
10 view.addSubview(v1)
12 v1.centerXAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.centerXAnchor).isActive = true
13 v1.centerYAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.centerYAnchor).isActive = true
14 v1.heightAnchor.constraint(equalToConstant: 200).isActive = true
15 v1.widthAnchor.constraint(equalToConstant: 200).isActive = true
16
17
   v1.addSubview(v2)
18
19 v2.topAnchor.constraint(equalTo: v1.layoutMarginsGuide.topAnchor).isActive = true
20 v2.leadingAnchor.constraint(equalTo: v1.layoutMarginsGuide.leadingAnchor).isActive = true
21 v2.heightAnchor.constraint(equalToConstant: 100).isActive = true
22 v2.widthAnchor.constraint(equalToConstant: 100).isActive = true
```

5 Realm

```
1 NSPredicate(format: "name BEGINSWITH [c]%0", searchString)
```

where [c] that follows BEGINSWITH indicates a case insensitive search.

6 Testing

To create a new test

1. Open the test panel (diamond with line through it / 6th from left)

2.

7 iOS Versions

```
5\% \leftarrow \text{iOS } 11 \rightarrow 95\% with iOS 11 being released in 19/9/2017
```

References

- [1] Helpful iOS and Xcode Code Snippets $Matias\ Jurfest$. Available from: https://medium.com/better-programming/helpful-code-snippets-for-ios-21aa5ef894de [Accessed on 15th October 2019]
- [2] Programming iOS 10: Dive deep into view, view controllers, and frameworks. Matt Neuburg

8 Keyboard Shortcuts

- ullet shift + option + command + left Minimize all code blocks
- shift + option + command + right

 Maximize all code blocks
- ullet option + command + / Generates documentation

9 Notifications

The server (me) sends a request containing the device id to the APNs (Apple Push-Notification Services) which then sends the notification to the user device.

10 Sockets