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Editing Table Views

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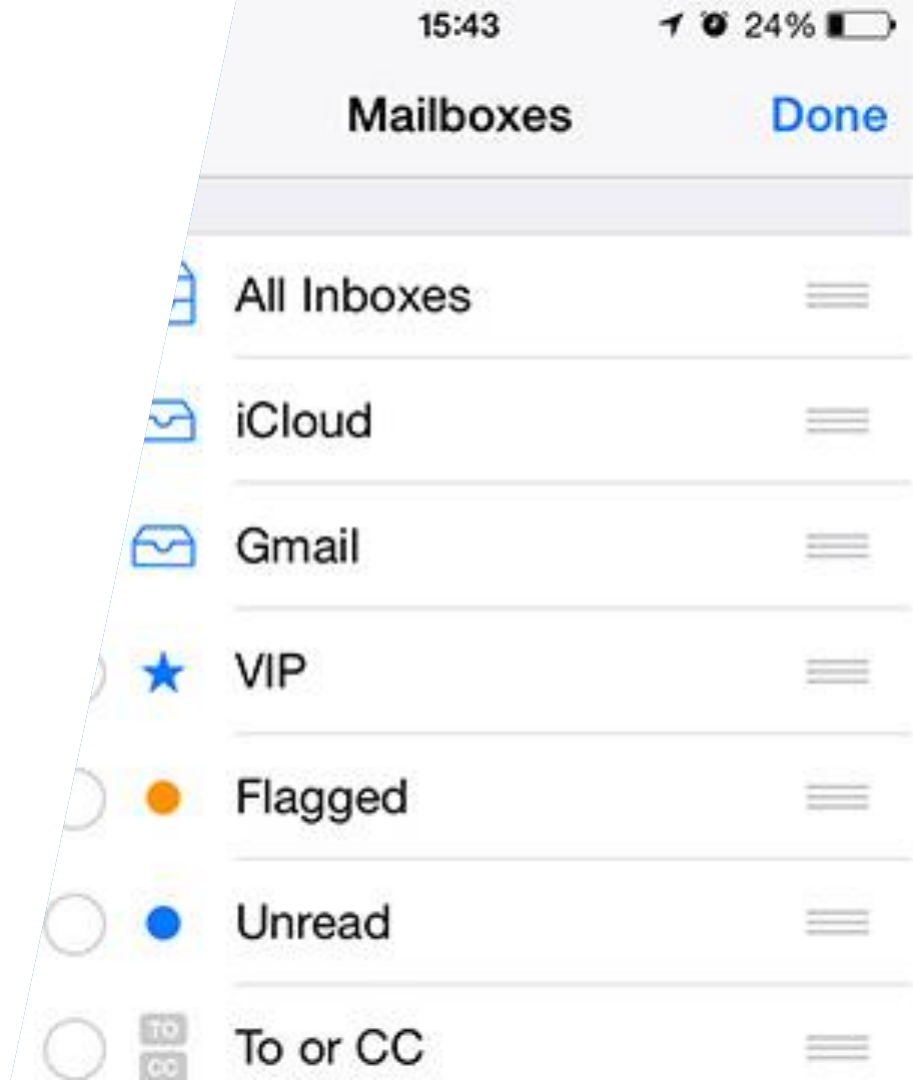
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Objectives

1. Work with built-in editing operations
2. Add support for modern editing operations
3. Integrate a search bar





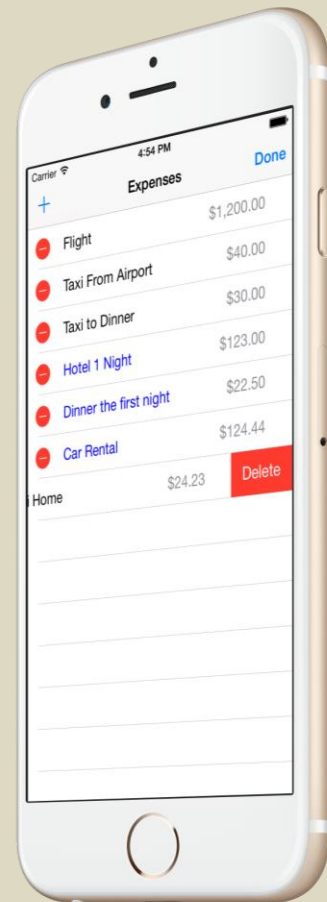
Work with built-in
editing operations



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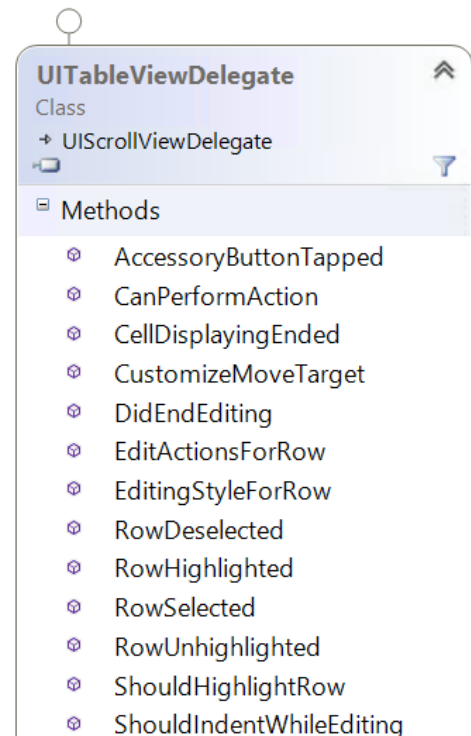
Tasks

1. Enable interactive editing
2. Enable internal editing
3. Re-order rows



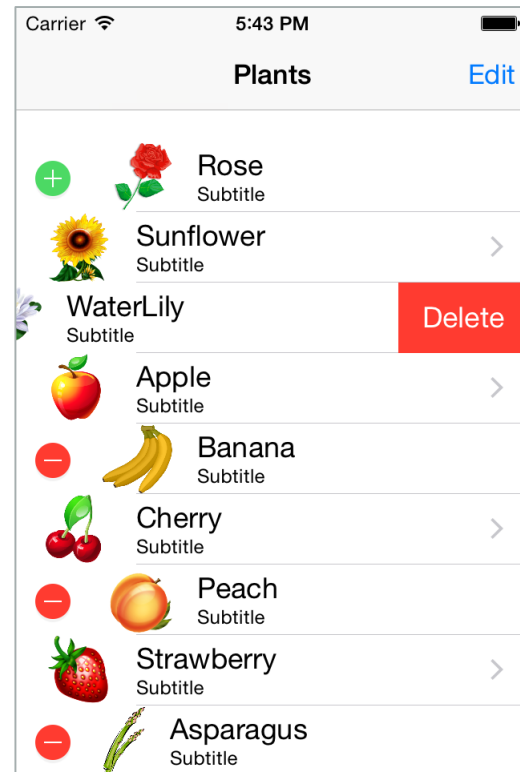
Reminder: managing interactions

- ❖ **UITableViewDelegate** protocol provides notifications for interactions with the Table View
 - Row selection and highlighting
 - Editing actions
 - Swipe actions
 - Reordering rows
 - ...
- ❖ Methods can be overridden through associated **UITableViewSource** or **UITableViewController**



Interactive editing

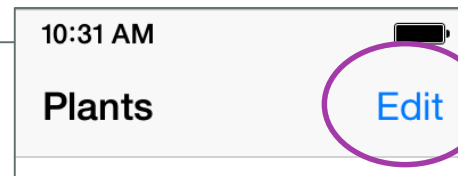
- ❖ Table View supports an interactive **edit** mode which allows the user to add, delete and re-order rows through the UI
- ❖ App can decide on a row-by-row basis what editing operations are available



Activating Edit mode

- ❖ Use the **built-in Edit button** when a navigation bar is present (i.e. when a **UINavigationController** is our root controller)

```
public override void ViewDidLoad()  
{  
    ...  
    this.NavigationItem.RightBarButtonItem = this.EditButtonItem;  
}
```



Best practice to use the built-in button definition if possible - when tapped, the button will automatically put the Table View into edit mode

Activating Edit mode

- ❖ Call **SetEditing** method on the Table View or **UIViewController** to turn on edit mode; this is what the built in **edit** button calls

```
void OnTableEdit(UIBarButtonItem sender)
{
    this.SetEditing(true, true);
}
```

On/Off

Pass true to *animate* the transition to/from edit mode

Detecting the current editing state

- ❖ **SetEditing** method is virtual and can be overridden to detect or influence the transition between interactive editing mode and normal mode

```
public override void SetEditing(bool editing, bool animated)
{
    base.SetEditing(editing, animated);
    ... // Custom code here
}
```



To quickly check whether a Table View is in editing mode, you can look at the **UITableView.Editing** boolean property

Implementing interactive editing

- ❖ Can override **CanEditRow** on the data source – this is called for each visible row to decide if any editing operations are available

```
public override bool CanEditRow(UITableView tableView,
                                NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    PlantData plant = fruit[indexPath.Row];
    return plant.CanRemoveFromGarden;
}
```



return **true** / **false** whether the given row can be altered

Implementing interactive editing

- ❖ Use **EditingStyleForRow** override to decide how the row may be edited (the default is delete) – this is also called for each visible row to determine how it will be drawn in edit mode

```
public override UITableViewCellEditingStyle EditingStyleForRow(
    UITableView tableView, NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    if (indexPath.Row == 0)
        return UITableViewCellEditingStyle.Insert;
    return UITableViewCellEditingStyle.Delete;
}
```

Supports Insert,
Delete and None



Individual Exercise

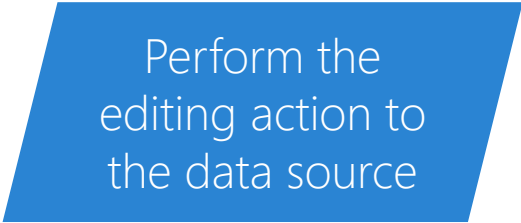
Turn on editing features on a Table View



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Handling edits to the data

- ❖ Table View calls the data source's **CommitEditingStyle** to notify application about edits performed by the user; that method must:

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Perform the
editing action to
the data source

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Refresh the Table
View

Performing the editing action

- ❖ Must insert or remove the underlying data item from the collection being managed by the data source

```
public override void CommitEditingStyle(UITableView tableView,
    UITableViewCellStyle editingStyle, NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    if (editingStyle == UITableViewCellStyle.Delete) {
        plants.RemoveAt(indexPath.Row);
        ...
    }
    else if (editingStyle == UITableViewCellStyle.Insert) {
        plants.Insert(indexPath.Row, new Plant() { Name = "New Sapling" });
        ...
    }
}
```

Updating the Table View

- ❖ Use the **InsertRows** and **DeleteRows** methods to add new visual cells to the Table View – make sure the **GetCell** method knows about the cells!

```
public override void CommitEditingStyle(UITableView tableView,
    UITableViewCellStyle editingStyle, NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    if (editingStyle == UITableViewCellStyle.Delete) {
        plants.RemoveAt(indexPath.Row);
        TableView.DeleteRows(new[] { indexPath }, UITableViewRowAnimationAutomatic);
    }
    else if (editingStyle == UITableViewCellStyle.Insert) {
        plants.Insert(indexPath.Row, new Plant() { Name = "New Sapling" });
        TableView.InsertRows(new[] { indexPath }, UITableViewRowAnimationFade);
    }
}
```


Performing logic-driven updates

- ❖ If rows are being altered due to internal logic (vs. the user), *and* the number of rows is low, you should use the specific APIs to insert/delete rows

```
private void RemovePlant(Plant plant)
{
    int row = plants.IndexOf(plant);
    plants.RemoveAt(row);
    using (NSIndexPath indexPath = NSIndexPath.FromRowSection(row, 0)) {
        TableView.DeleteRows(new[] { indexPath },
            UITableViewRowAnimation.Middle);
    }
}
```

Must create
NSIndexPath to identify
row(s) being altered



A common technique is to create an *observable* table view source which updates the Table View when the underlying collection is changed

Refreshing specific rows

- ❖ If the underlying data for a row is changed internally, call **ReloadRows** to get the Table View to refresh the row(s) if it is visible

```
void OnPlantUpdated(Plant plant)
{
    int row = plants.IndexOf(plant);
    using (NSIndexPath indexPath = NSIndexPath.FromRowSection(row, 0)) {
        this.tableView.ReloadRows(new[] { indexPath });
    }
}
```

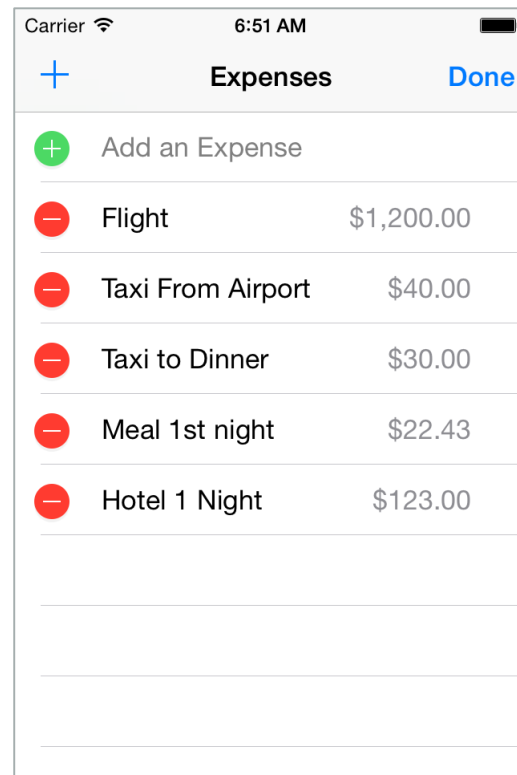
Reloading the table view

- ❖ If the entire data set is changed, you can force the Table View to reload everything using **ReloadData**

```
// Reload all from the data source (entire TableView is reloaded)  
this.TableView.ReloadData();
```

What about inserting rows?

- ❖ Insert operations are a bit trickier to manage in the UI because you will often need to insert a "fake" row in the data to represent an insert
- ❖ Alternatively, a lot of applications add a button into the navigation bar to "add" a new row



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Individual Exercise

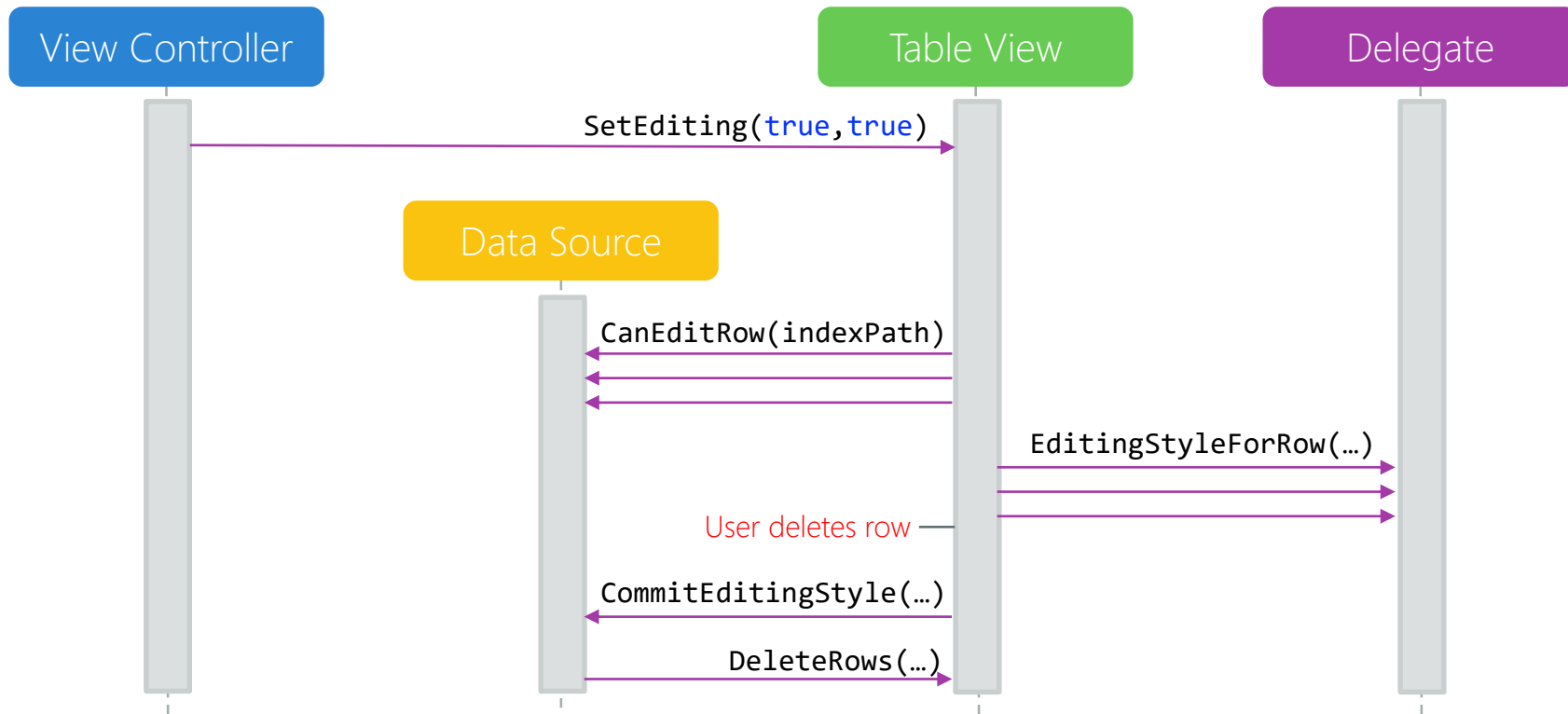
Committing editing operations



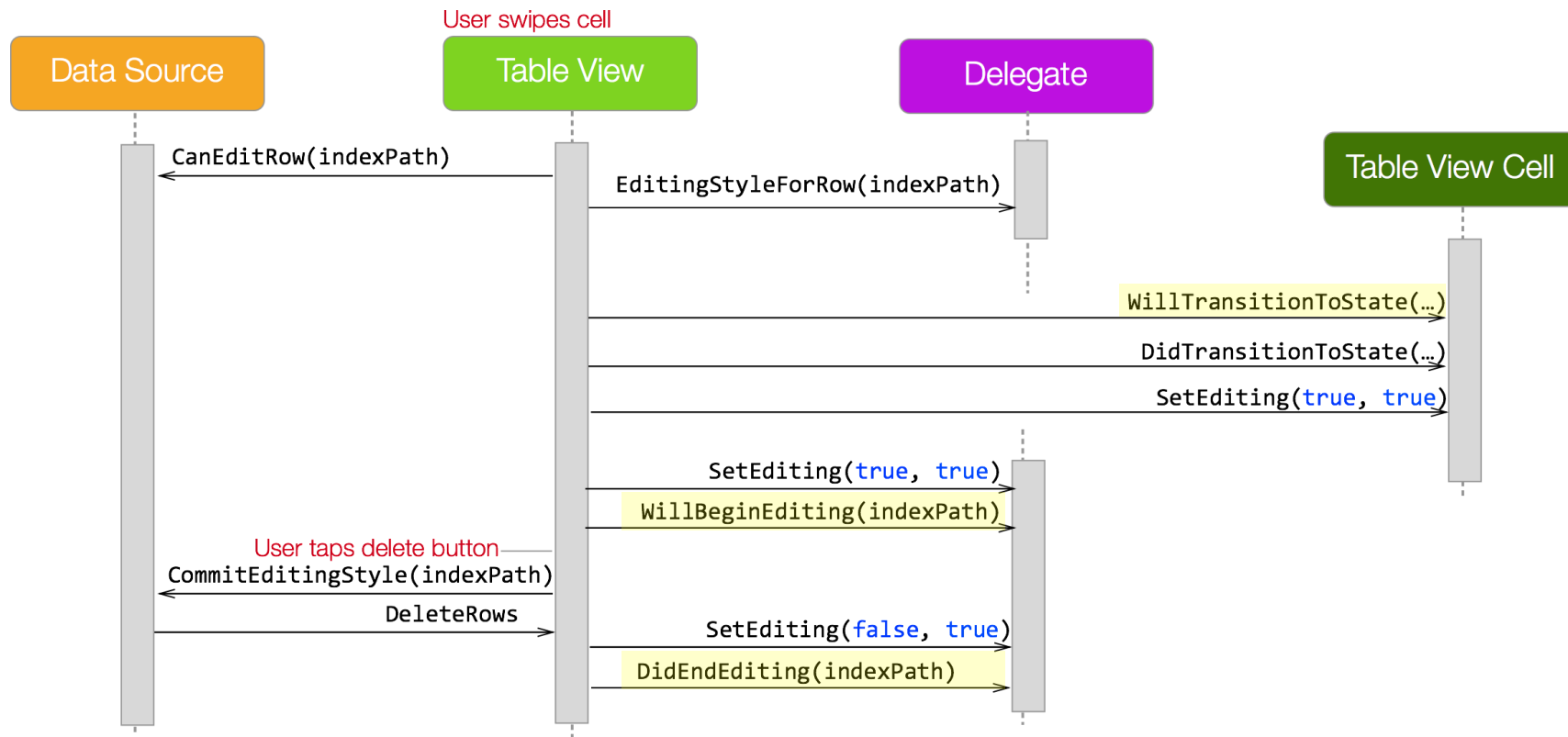
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Recap: the big picture

User presses **Edit** button

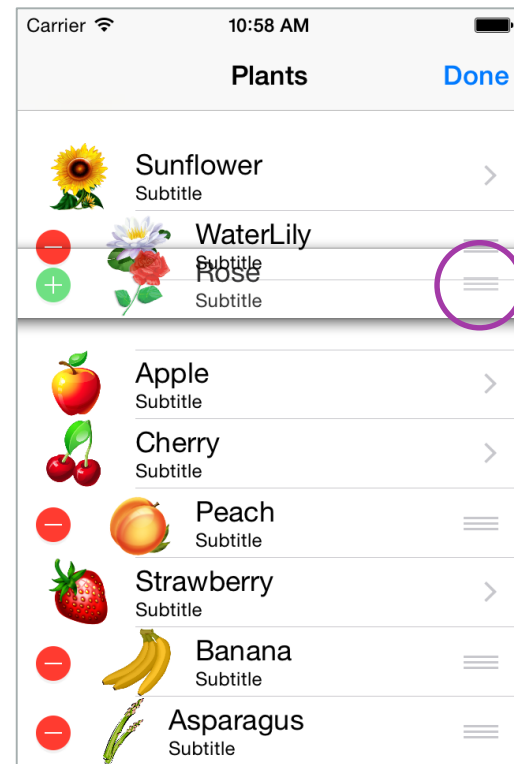


Swipe to Delete gesture workflow



Re-ordering rows


- ❖ Table View supports an interactive *re-ordering* capability which can be added to edit mode by overriding **CanMoveRow** and returning true for each row that can be moved
- ❖ This feature can only be turned on when the row is editable – you cannot have a non-editable, movable row
- ❖ For supported rows, a drag adorer is added to the right that the user can *grab* and move



Supporting row movement

- ❖ The UI is automatically changed when reorder occurs, must override **MoveRow** to update the underlying data positions

```
public override void MoveRow(UITableView tableView, NSIndexPath  
sourceIndexPath, NSIndexPath destinationIndexPath)  
{  
    var plant = plants[sourceIndexPath.Row];  
    plants.RemoveAt(sourceIndexPath.Row);  
    plants.Insert(destinationIndexPath.Row, plant);  
    // Table already updated automatically  
}
```



This method *must* be overridden or the system will assume that reordering is not supported – even if **CanMoveRows** returns **true**

Adjusting the row movement

- ❖ You can override **CustomizeMoveTarget** to enforce row ordering rules, passed proposed index and can return different index

```
public override NSIndexPath CustomizeMoveTarget(UITableView tableView,
        NSIndexPath sourceIndexPath, NSIndexPath proposedIndexPath)
{
    int validRow = ... // Perform logic to validate position
    return NSIndexPath.FromRowSection(validRow, 0);
}
```

Flash Quiz

Flash Quiz

- ① To turn on interactive editing you can _____ (Select all that apply)
- a) Set `UITableView.Editing = true`
 - b) Override `CanEditRow`
 - c) Call `UIViewController.SetEditing`
 - d) Override `EnterEditMode`

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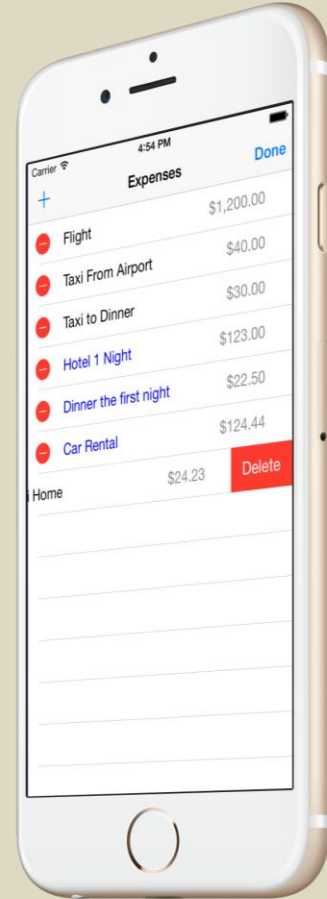
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- a) CanEditRow, CommitEditingStyle
 - b) CanMoveRow, MoveRow
 - c) CanMoveRow, CustomizeMoveTarget

Flash Quiz

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Summary

1. Enable interactive editing
2. Enable internal editing
3. Re-order rows





Add support for modern editing
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Tasks

1. Add Table View Actions
2. Add Pull to refresh

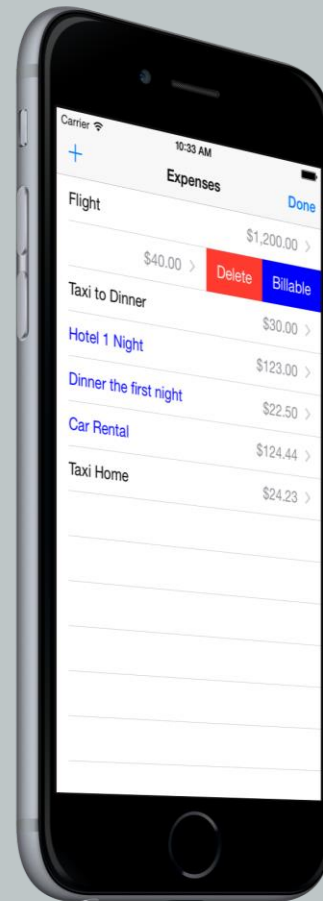
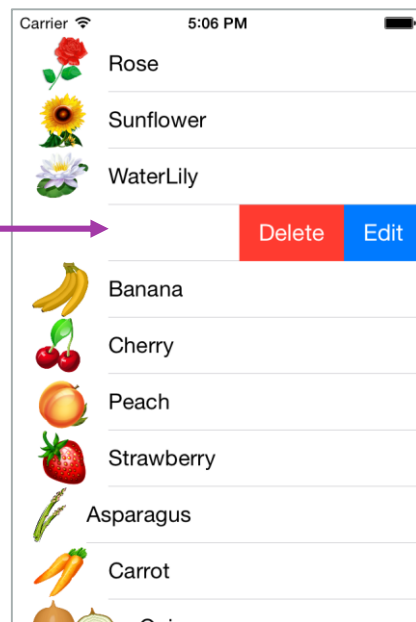


Table View actions

- ❖ Rows support **editing actions** which are shown using a *swipe-to-the-left* gesture

Displays buttons in a row, with a "More" action sheet for overflow



Adding Table View editing actions

- ❖ Editing actions are supplied through the **EditActionsForRow** override on the delegate; this is called when the row is swiped to determine if there are valid actions to display for this row

```
public override UITableViewRowAction[] EditActionsForRow(UITableView tableView,
                                                         NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    var actions = new[] {
        UITableViewRowAction.Create(UITableViewRowActionStyle.Normal, "Edit", OnEdit),
        UITableViewRowAction.Create(UITableViewRowActionStyle.Destructive, "Delete",
                                    OnDelete),
    };
    actions[0].BackgroundColor = UIColor.Blue;
    return actions;
}
```

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Each action has a style, text and function to execute

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    };
    actions[0].BackgroundColor = UIColor.Blue;
    return actions;
}
```

You can also customize some aspects of the button UI

Caching off table view actions

- ❖ **EditActionsForRow** is called uniquely for each row; it is more efficient to create a single set of row actions if they are always the same

```
UITableViewRowAction[] actions;
public override UITableViewRowAction[] EditActionsForRow(UITableView tableView,
                                                         NSIndexPath indexPath)
{
    if (actions == null) {
        actions = new[] {
            UITableViewRowAction.Create(UITableViewRowActionStyle.Normal, "Edit", OnEdit),
            UITableViewRowAction.Create(UITableViewRowActionStyle.Destructive, "Delete", OnDelete),
        };
        actions[0].BackgroundColor = UIColor.Blue;
    }
    return actions;
}
```

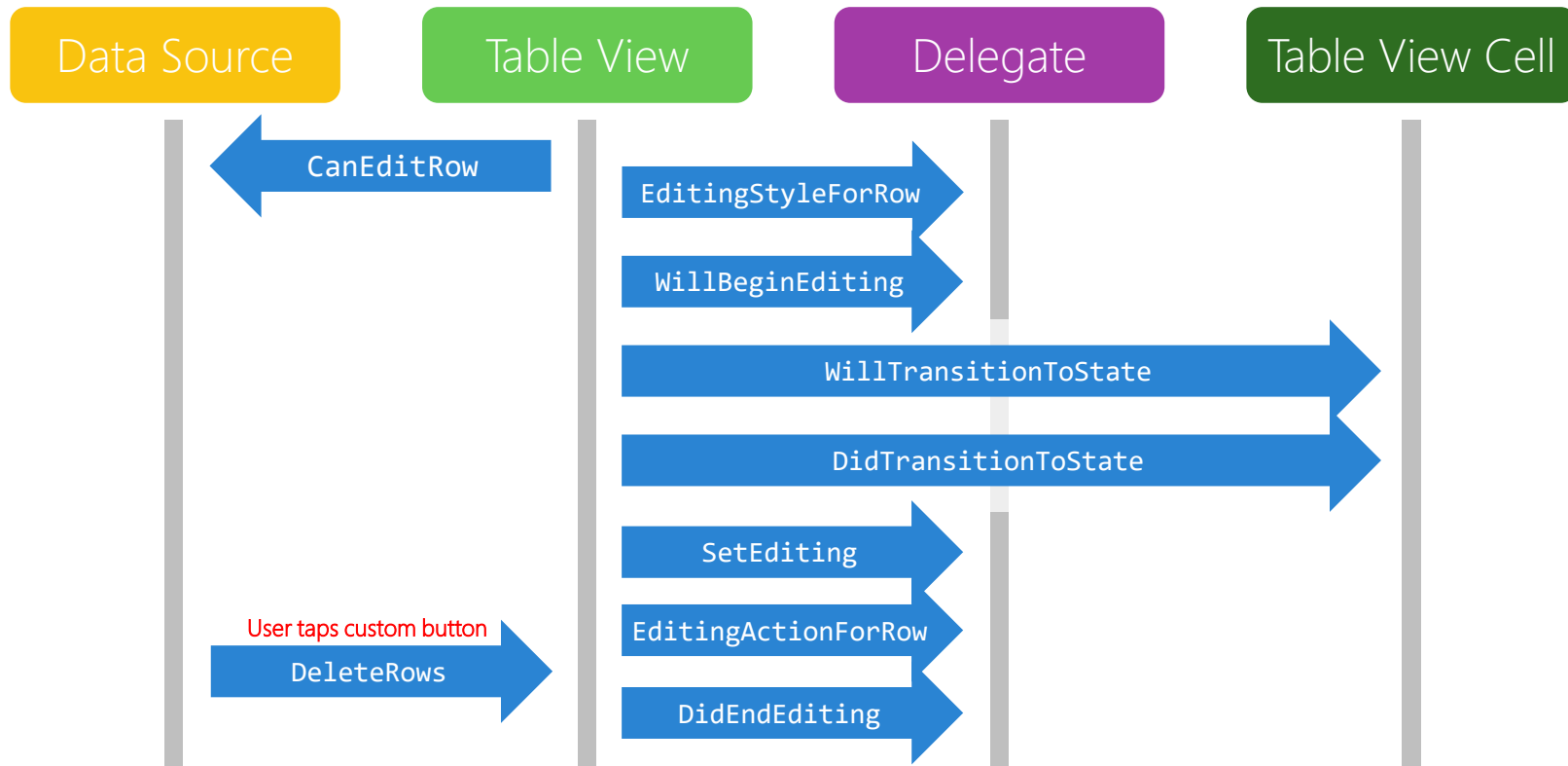
Responding to a row action

- ❖ Each action is associated with a .NET delegate function that is invoked if the user selects that action on the row

```
private void OnDelete(UITableViewRowAction action, NSIndexPath index)
{
    plants.RemoveAt(index.Row); // remove from data
    TableView.DeleteRows(new[] { indexPath },
        UITableViewRowAnimation Automatic);
}
```

Row action "editing" mode

User swipes cell



Individual Exercise

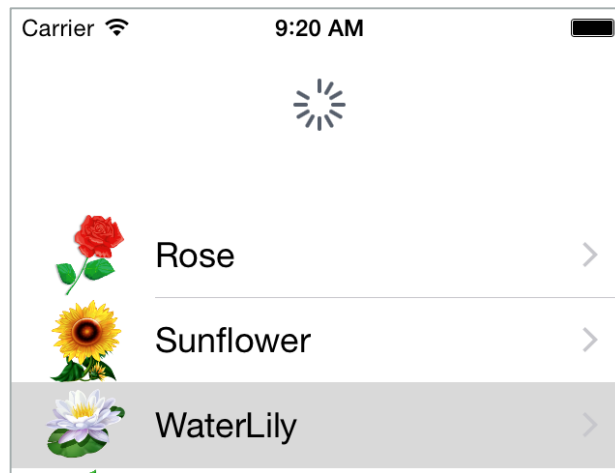
Add support for swipe-gesture edit actions



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Pull to refresh

- ❖ Popular addition to Table Views that display external data is a "pull-to-refresh" gesture to get new data from the external source



Refresh is activated by "pulling down" on the Table View – indicator is shown while the data is being updated

Implementing Pull to refresh

❖ Support built into **UITableViewController**, just has to be enabled

```
public override void ViewDidLoad()
{
    base.ViewDidLoad();
    ...
    this.RefreshControl = new UIRefreshControl();
}
```

1

Assign a new **UIRefreshControl** to the **RefreshControl** property of the Table View Controller

Implementing Pull to refresh

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```
public override void ViewDidLoad()
{
    base.ViewDidLoad();
    ...
    this.RefreshControl = new UIRefreshControl();
    this.RefreshControl.ValueChanged += (sender, e) => {
        // Refresh contents of underlying data
        ReloadPlantArrayFromWebService();
    };
    ...
}
```

2

Hook the **ValueChanged** event and update the underlying data source when it is raised

Implementing Pull to refresh

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{
    base.ViewDidLoad();
    ...
    this.RefreshControl = new UIRefreshControl();
    this.RefreshControl.ValueChanged += (sender, e) => {
        // Refresh contents of underlying data
        ...
        BeginInvokeOnMainThread(() => {
            this.RefreshControl.EndRefreshing();
        });
    };
}
```

3

When the data has been refreshed, signal that the refresh is complete to hide the refresh UI

Implementing Pull to refresh

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{
    base.ViewDidLoad();
    ...
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    this.RefreshControl.ValueChanged += (sender, e) => {
        // Refresh contents of underlying data
        ...
        BeginInvokeOnMainThread(() => {
            this.RefreshControl.EndRefreshing();
            TableView.ReloadData();
        });
    };
    ...
}
```

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Finally, must refresh the Table View – very common to just use **ReloadData**



Individual Exercise

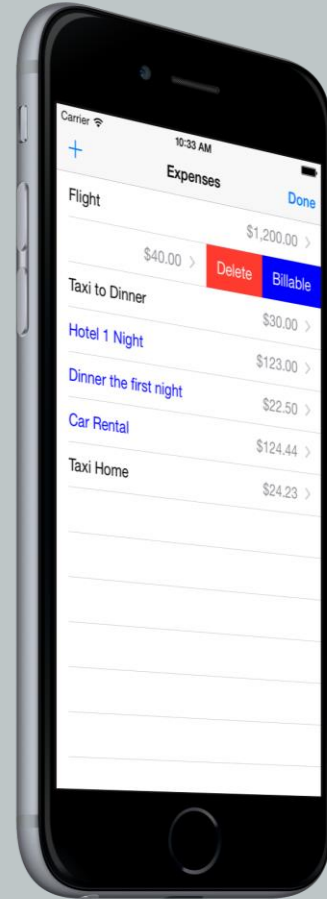
Add support for the "pull-to-refresh" gesture



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Summary

1. Add Table View Actions
2. Add Pull to refresh

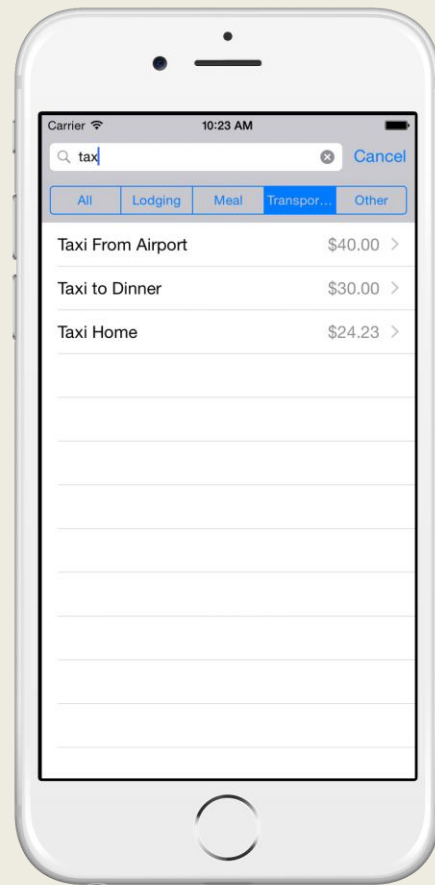




Integrate a search bar

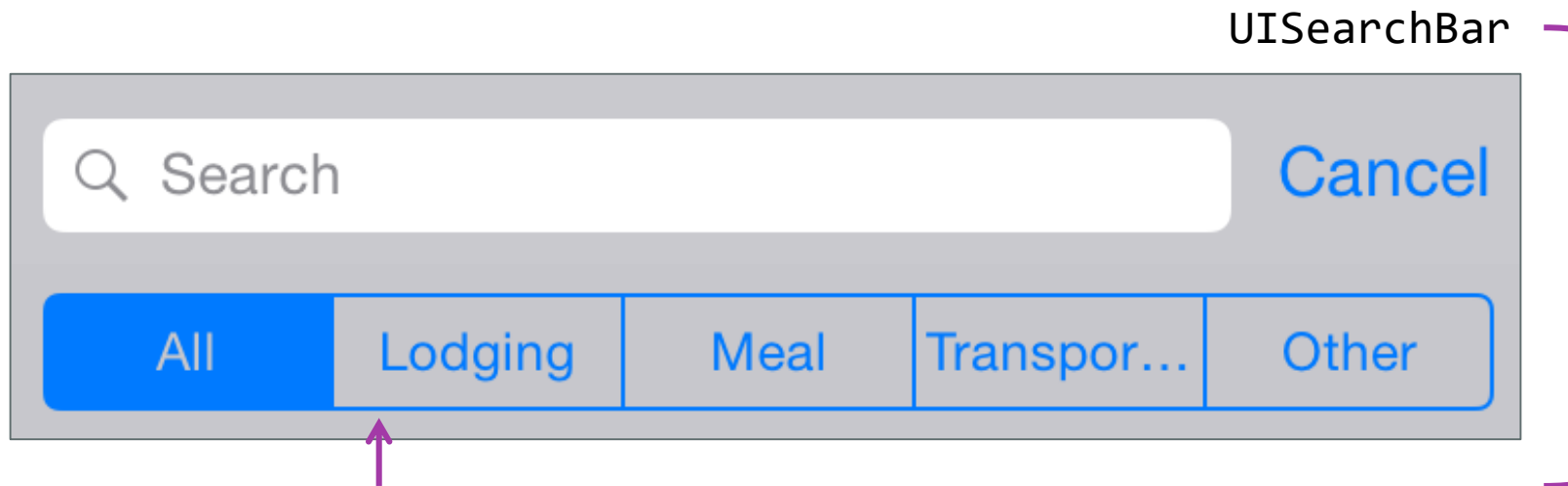
Tasks

1. Add a Search bar to a Table View
2. Limit search scope



Adding a Search Bar

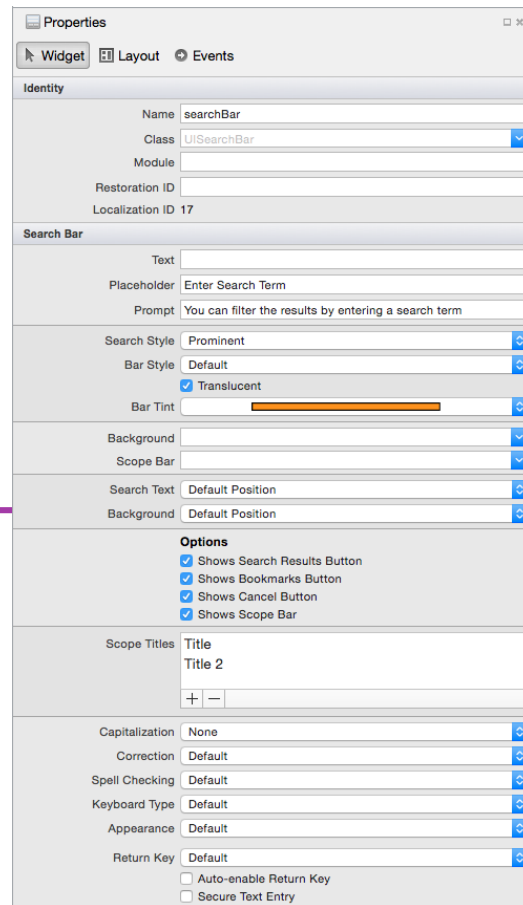
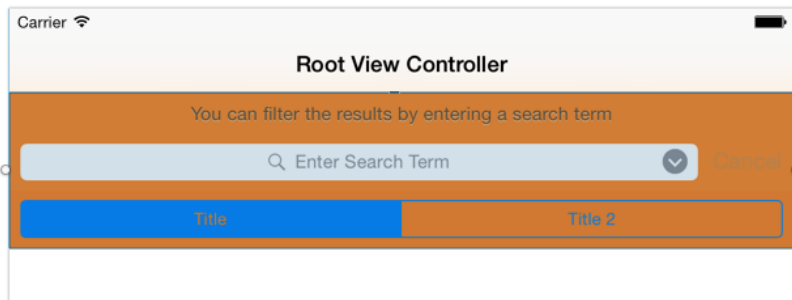
- ❖ iOS supports a built-in textual search UI which can accept a search term and optional scope for the search



Scope Bar allows search to be restricted to a set of categories

Working with UISearchBar

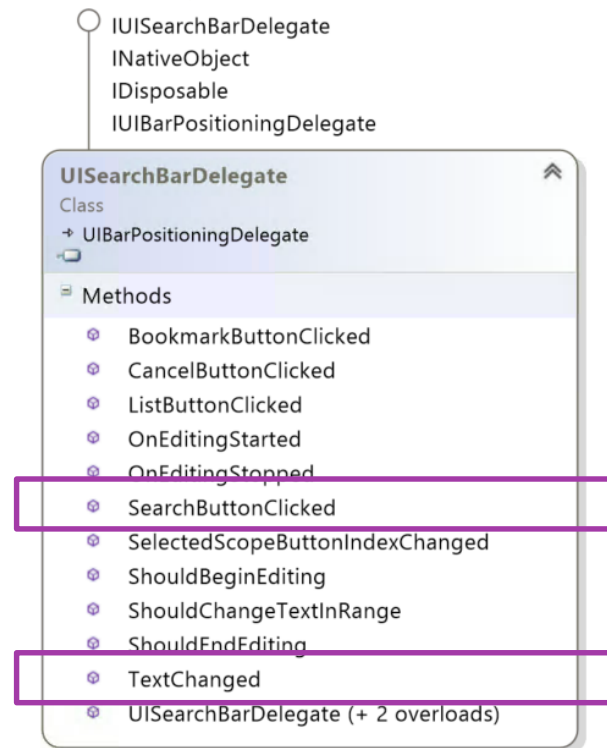
- ❖ Can add **UISearchBar** into your UI through designer or code



Properties can be set to adjust the visualization and behavior of the search bar

UISearchBar notifications

- ❖ Assign the **WeakDelegate** property to a **UISearchBarDelegate** implementation to handle the search logic
- ❖ Can trigger off the search button being tapped on the keyboard, or when the text is changed in the search box



Adding search support

- ❖ Apple has provided a presentation controller in **UISearchController** which will handle all the UI logic of showing and hiding the search bar automatically.

Usable anytime
you need a
search experience

Fully adaptive

Fully
customizable

Using UISearchController [Step 1]

- ❖ Create a new **UISearchController** to manage the search experience, this is typically done in **ViewDidLoad**

```
UISearchController searchController;  
  
public override void ViewDidLoad()  
{  
    ...  
    searchController = new UISearchController(  
                        (UIViewController)null);  
    searchController.DimsBackgroundDuringPresentation = false;  
    ...  
}
```

Can pass a **ViewController** instance to use for results, or **null** to use the owner – must cast to get the right constructor!

Using UISearchController [Step 2]

- ❖ Set the **TableHeaderView** property to put the **UISearchBar** above the Table View

```
UISearchController searchController;  
  
public override void ViewDidLoad()  
{  
    ...  
    TableView.TableHeaderView = searchController.SearchBar;  
  
}
```

Using UISearchController [Step 2]

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```
UISearchController searchController;  
  
public override void ViewDidLoad()  
{  
    ...  
    TableView.TableHeaderView = searchController;  
    searchController.SearchBar.SizeToFit();  
}
```

Using UISearchController [Step 3]

- ❖ Might need to set **DefinesPresentationContext** to **true** on the parent controller to ensure the search bar content is properly presented

```
UISearchController searchController;

public override void ViewDidLoad()
{
    ...
    TableView.TableViewHeader = searchController;
    searchController.SearchBar.SizeToFit();
    DefinesPresentationContext = true;
    ...
}
```

Using UISearchController [Step 4]

- ❖ Search notifications are reported through the **SearchResultsUpdater** property – this must be set to a **UISearchResultsUpdating** implementation

```
searchController.SearchResultsUpdater = this;
```

```
public void UpdateSearchResultsForSearchController(  
    UISearchController searchController)  
{  
    string textToSearchFor = searchController.SearchBar.Text;  
    // ... Do filtering using text  
}
```

Using UISearchController [Step 5]

- ❖ Search controller can *reuse* the existing table view – must ensure that **GetCell** and **RowsInSection** are working against the filtered data; can determine whether we are filtering by the **Active** property in the **UpdateSearchResultsForSearchController** callback

```
public void UpdateSearchResultsForSearchController(  
    UISearchController searchController)  
{  
    if (searchController.Active)  
        // Setup filtered data  
    else  
        // Reset to full dataset  
}
```



Individual Exercise

Add search support to a Table View Controller

Configuring the UISearchBar

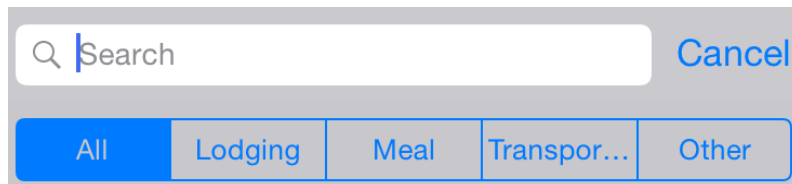
- ❖ Can use the **SearchBar** property to configure the search UI (colors, features, etc.) as well as wire up the **WeakDelegate** to handle notifications directly from the search bar itself

```
UISearchController searchController;  
  
public override void ViewDidLoad()  
{  
    ...  
    searchController.SearchBar.BarTintColor = UIColor.Green;  
    searchController.SearchBar.WeakDelegate = this;  
}
```

Providing searching categories

- ❖ Scope Bar is a built-in UI element included with the **UISearchBar**
- ❖ Can set specific categories using **ScopeButtonTitles** property
- ❖ Scope bar is shown and hidden automatically, but can be configured to always show with **ShowsScopeBar**

```
searchController
    .SearchBar
        .ScopeButtonTitles = new[] {
            "All",
            "Lodging",
            "Meal",
            "Transportation",
            "Other"
        };
```



Responding to scope changes

- ❖ Changes to the scope are reported through the search bar's delegate

```
class SearchDelegate : UISearchBarDelegate {  
    public Action<string,string> DoFilter { get; set; }  
    public override void SelectedScopeButtonIndexChanged (  
        UISearchBar searchBar, int selectedScope) {  
        string scope = searchBar.ScopeButtonTitles[selectedScope];  
        string text = searchBar.Text;  
        DoFilter(text, scope);  
    }  
}
```

```
searchController.SearchBar.WeakDelegate = new SearchDelegate() {  
    DoFilter = ... };
```

Responding to scope changes

- ❖ Changes to the scope are reported through the search bar's delegate

```
searchController.SearchBar.WeakDelegate = this;
```

```
[Export ("searchBar:selectedScopeButtonIndexDidChange:")]  
public virtual void ScopeButtonChanged(UISearchBar searchBar,  
                                       int selectedScope)  
{  
    string scope = searchBar.ScopeButtonTitles[selectedScope];  
    string text = searchBar.Text;  
    // ... Provide filter based on text + scope  
}
```

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- ❖ Retrieve the currently selected scope from the **ScopeBar** to filter the results when the text is changed

```
public void UpdateSearchResultsForSearchController(
    UISearchController searchController)
{
    string textToSearchFor = searchController.SearchBar.Text;
    int index = searchController.SearchBar.SelectedScopeButtonIndex;
    string scope = searchController.SearchBar.ScopeButtonTitles[index];
    // ... Do filtering using text + scope
}
```

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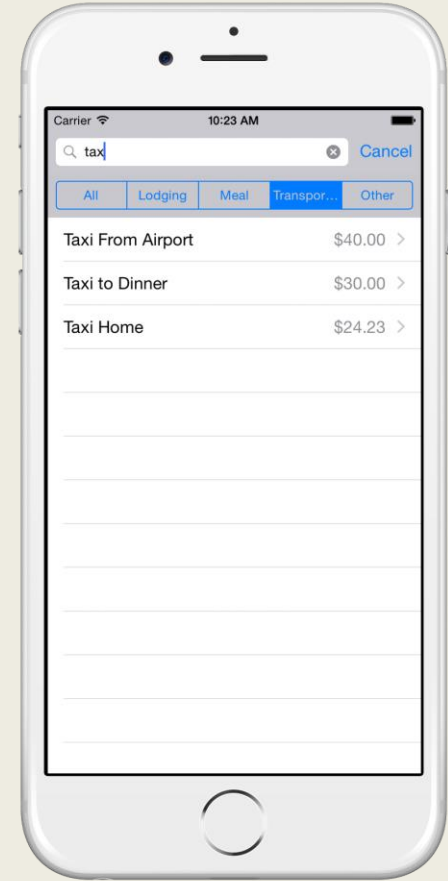
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Summary

1. Add a Search bar to a Table View
2. Limit search scope





Homework

Scope your searches with a scope bar

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