

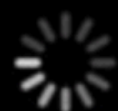
# Stateful **DataSource**

# Stateful UICollectionView

## **DataSource**



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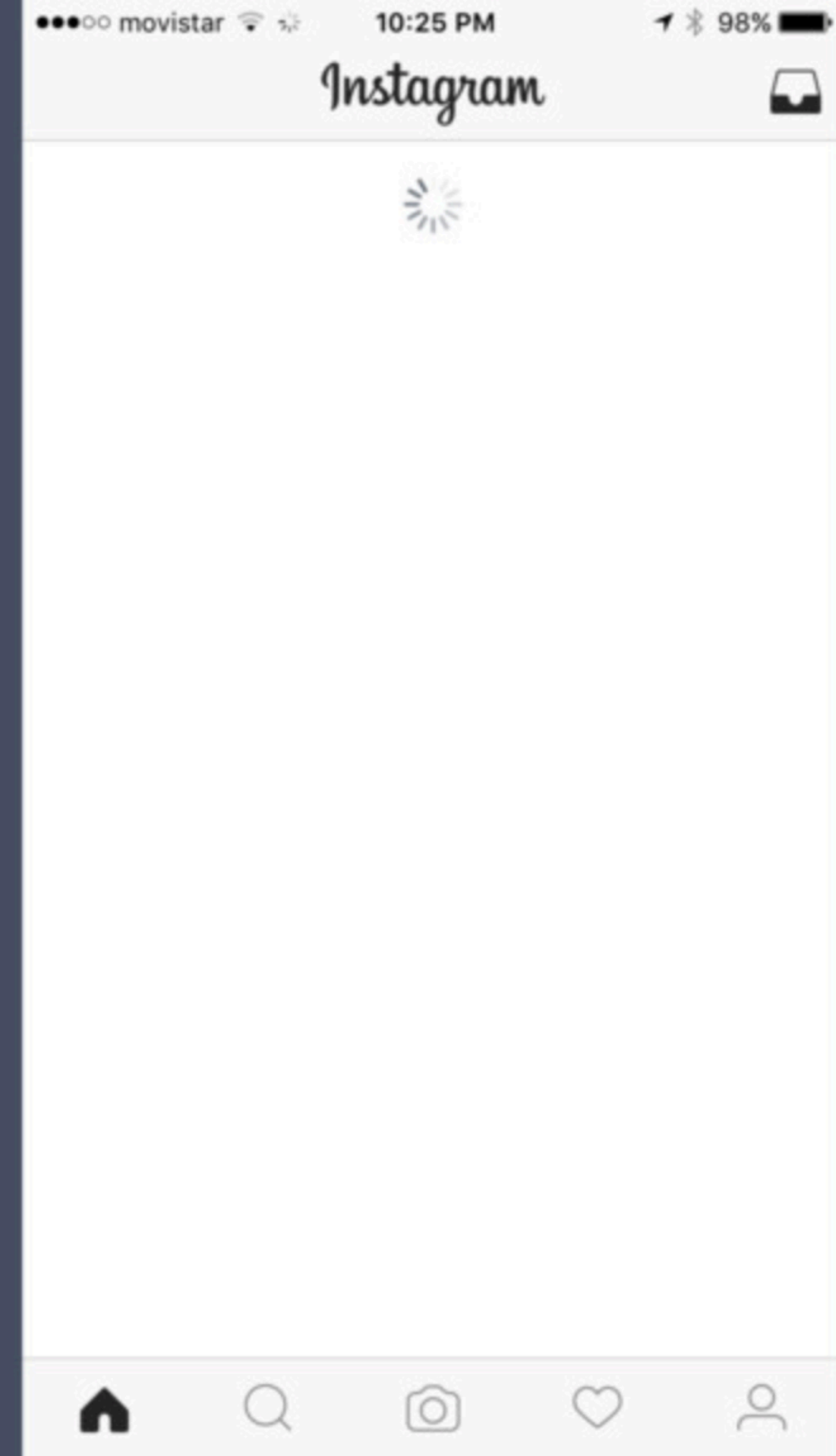
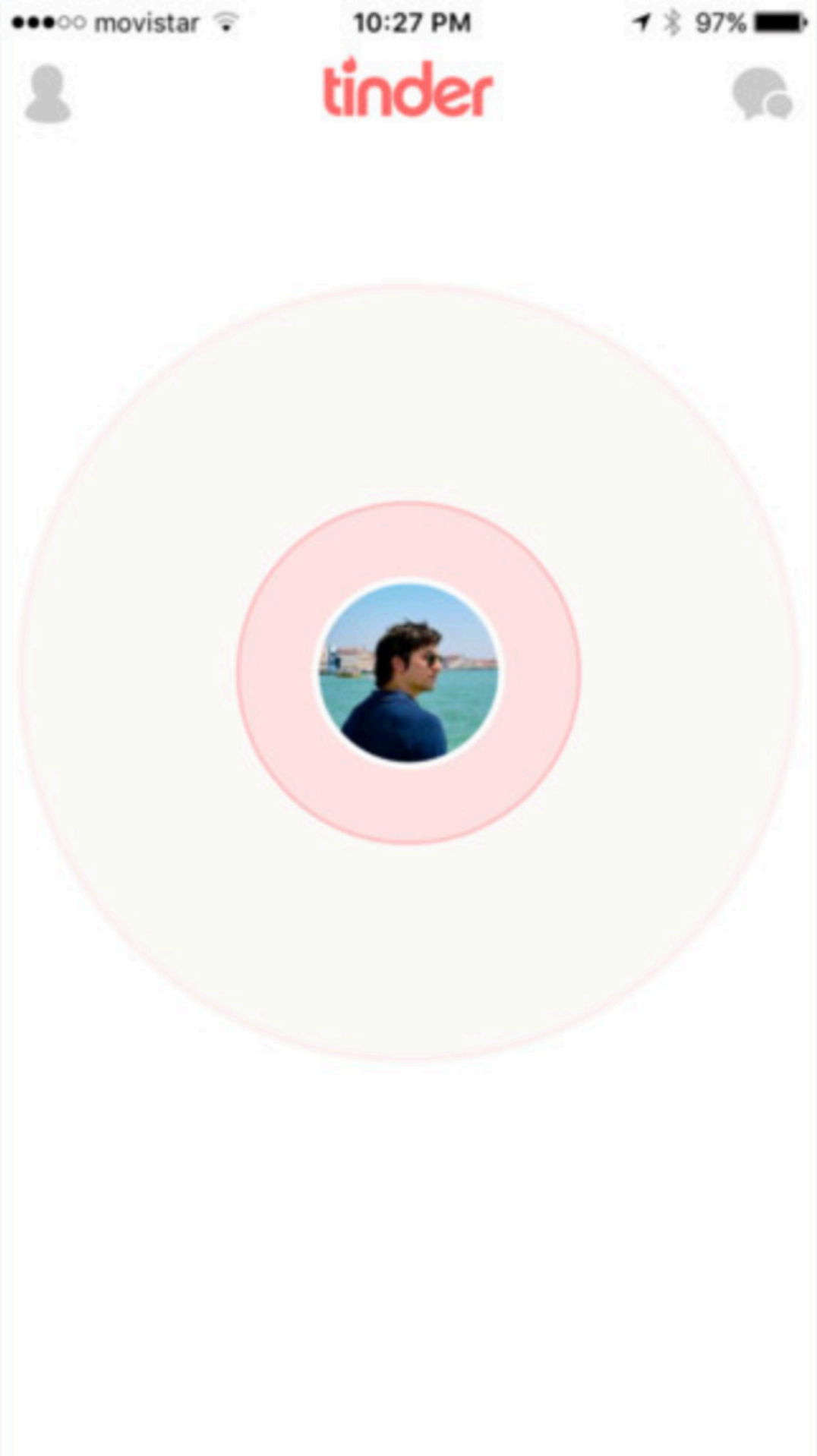
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# Swift == Stateless



In Swift you can be more **explicit** about the state

**...back in Objective-C**

```
- (void)requestWithCompletionBlock:(AAPLCompletionBlock)block
{
    self.executingRequest = YES;

    [self showLoadingView];

    [self requestUsersWithPage:self.currentPagination completionBlock:^(NSArray *array, NSError *error) {
        if (error) {
            [self showError];
        } else {
            self.array = array;
            [self.tableView reloadData];
        }

        self.executingRequest = NO;

        block(array, error);
    }];
}
```



**what if...**

```
private func fetchData() {  
    self.collectionView.state = .loading  
    presenter.fetchLocationAndUsers { (result) in  
        switch result {  
        case .failure(let error):  
            self.collectionView.state = .failure(error)  
        case .success(let users):  
            self.collectionView.state = .loaded(users)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

**However, last time I tried to do `collectionView.state` this happened:**

Value of type 'UICollectionView' has no member 'state'

**So what, then?**

## **Apple provides 3 point of customizations:**

1. Subclassing
2. UICollectionViewFlowLayout
3. UICollectionViewDataSource

# Apple provides 3 point of customizations:

1. ~~Subclassing~~
2. ~~UICollectionViewFlowLayout~~
3. UICollectionViewDataSource ✓

## Objectives:

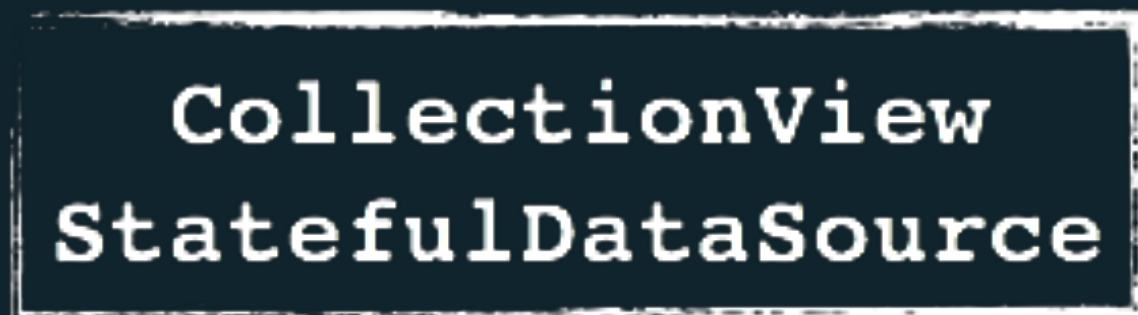
- Easier to use than UICollectionViewDataSource.
- Map one model object to one cell kind at **compile time**.
- Support for loading, error and empty state.

Flexibility

UICollectionView  
DataSource

API  
Simplicity

CollectionView  
StatefulDataSource



**TALK IS CHEAP**

**SHOW ME THE CODE**



# Now, Snapshot Tests

# FB Snapshot Tests

- Allow us to refactor view code with ease.
- Tests results are analyzed in the problem domain:  
Pixels
  - $f(vm, ss) = screenshot.png$
- Built by Facebook, currently maintained by Uber.

## How it works:

- Set expectations
  - Create UIView/UIViewController
  - Inject dependencies
- Run the method
  - Layout the View
  - Generate a PNG for the View
- Compare to expectation
  - Run a diff

```
class ProfileViewControllerTests: BSWSnapshotTest {  
    func testSampleLayout() {  
        let viewModel = ProfileViewModel.sampleVM()  
        let detailVC = ProfileViewController(  
            viewModel: viewModel  
        )  
        let navController = UINavigationController(  
            rootViewController: detailVC  
        )  
        waitABitAndVerify(viewController: navController)  
    }  
}
```

# We Can Do It!



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# Takeaways

- Be aware of the tradeoffs before writing any abstraction.
  - Bad abstractions are very, very expensive.
- Don't be afraid to refactor.
  - Cover yourself here with Tests.

## Takeaways

- Use Swift's extensions to declare types.
  - Don't litter the global namespace.
  - Improves compile time and code completion.
  - Very useful with types like VM or Cells that are only used within a class.