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lecture 6

Networking, CocoaPods, and Alamofire

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announcements

- hw3 pt 1 (snapchat clone) due next Monday
  - long assignment - start now!

today's lecture

- Networking
- CocoaPods
- Alamofire

networking

networking and iOS

Networking is acquiring/passing data to/from some URL that exists on the world wide web or local

General structure as it relates to iOS

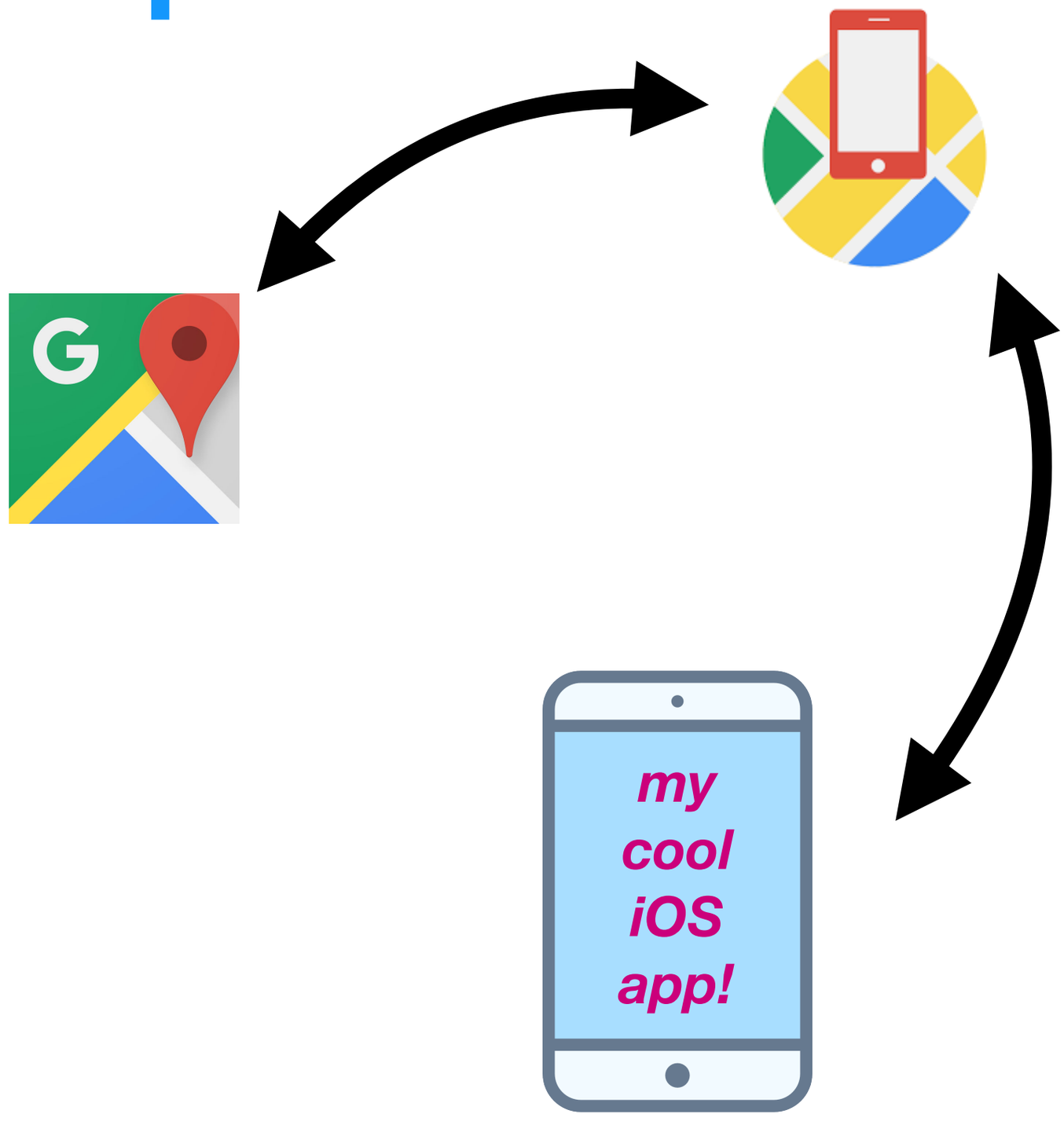
- Recipient Address
- Parameters
- Response

what is an api?

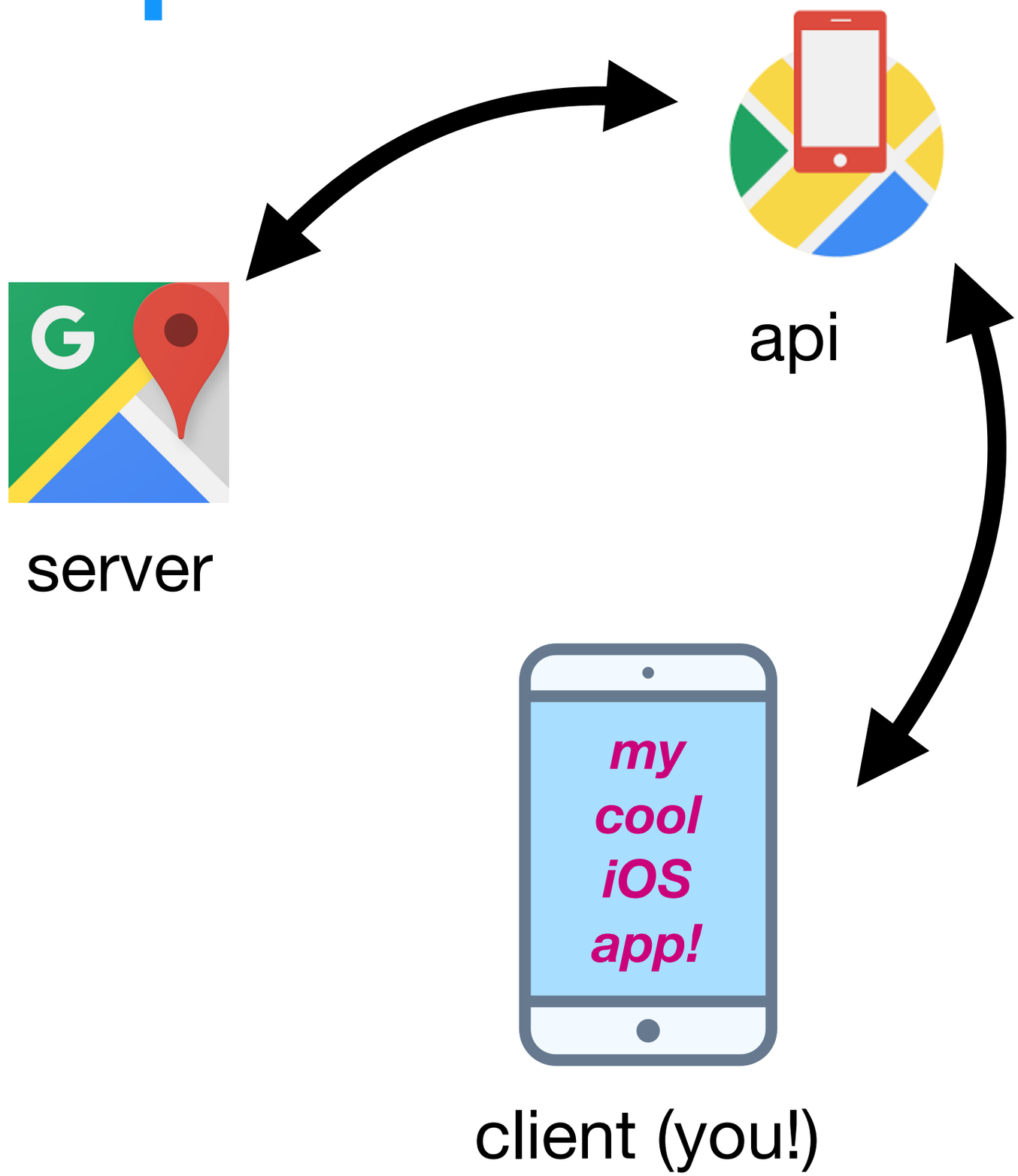
application programming interface

abstraction layer between two software components

used throughout computer science (OS's, hardware, databases)



what is an api?

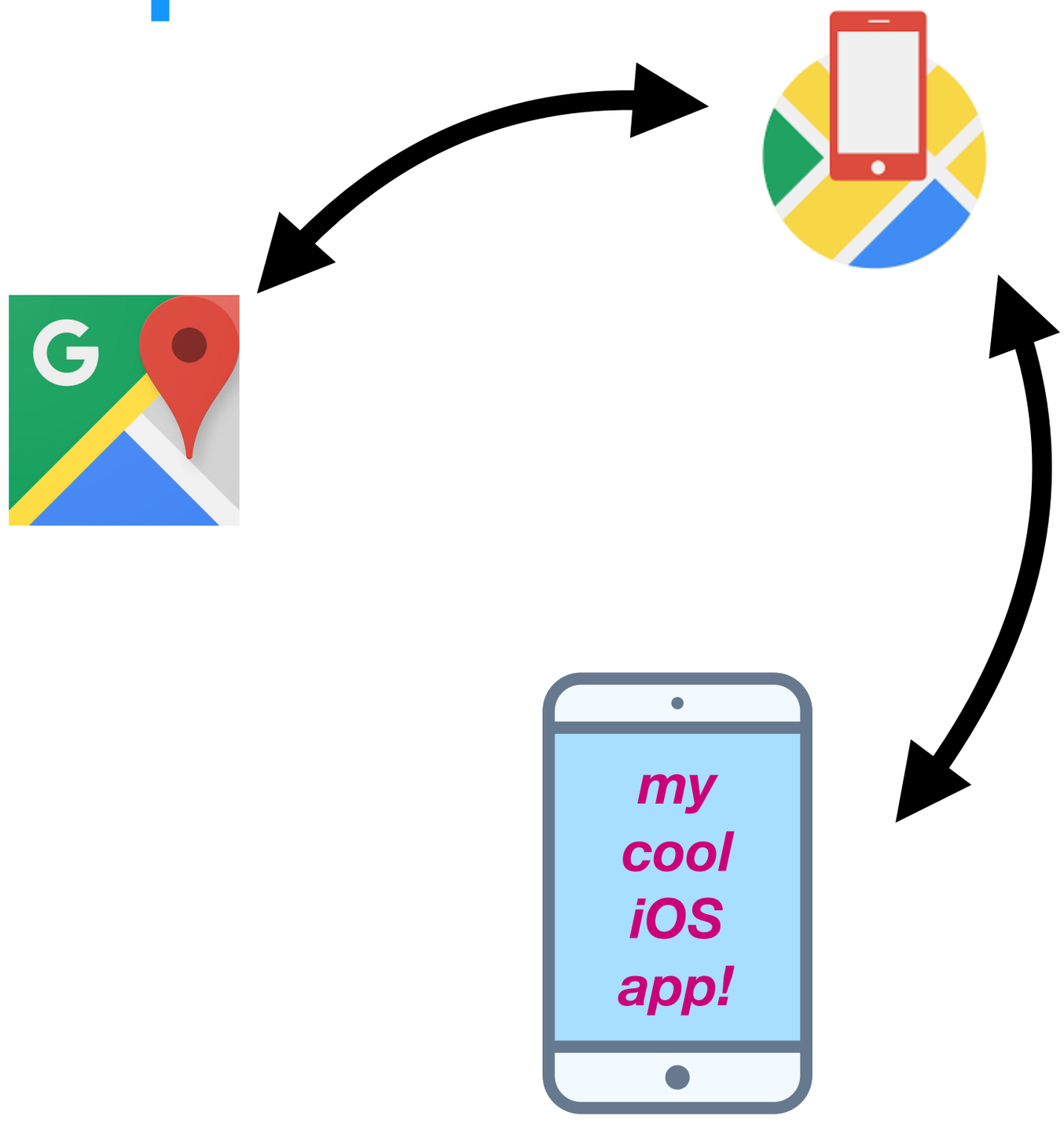


what is an api?

example: you want to create an map related app!

one option: create a map application from scratch

another option: integrate google maps data into your app, using an… api!



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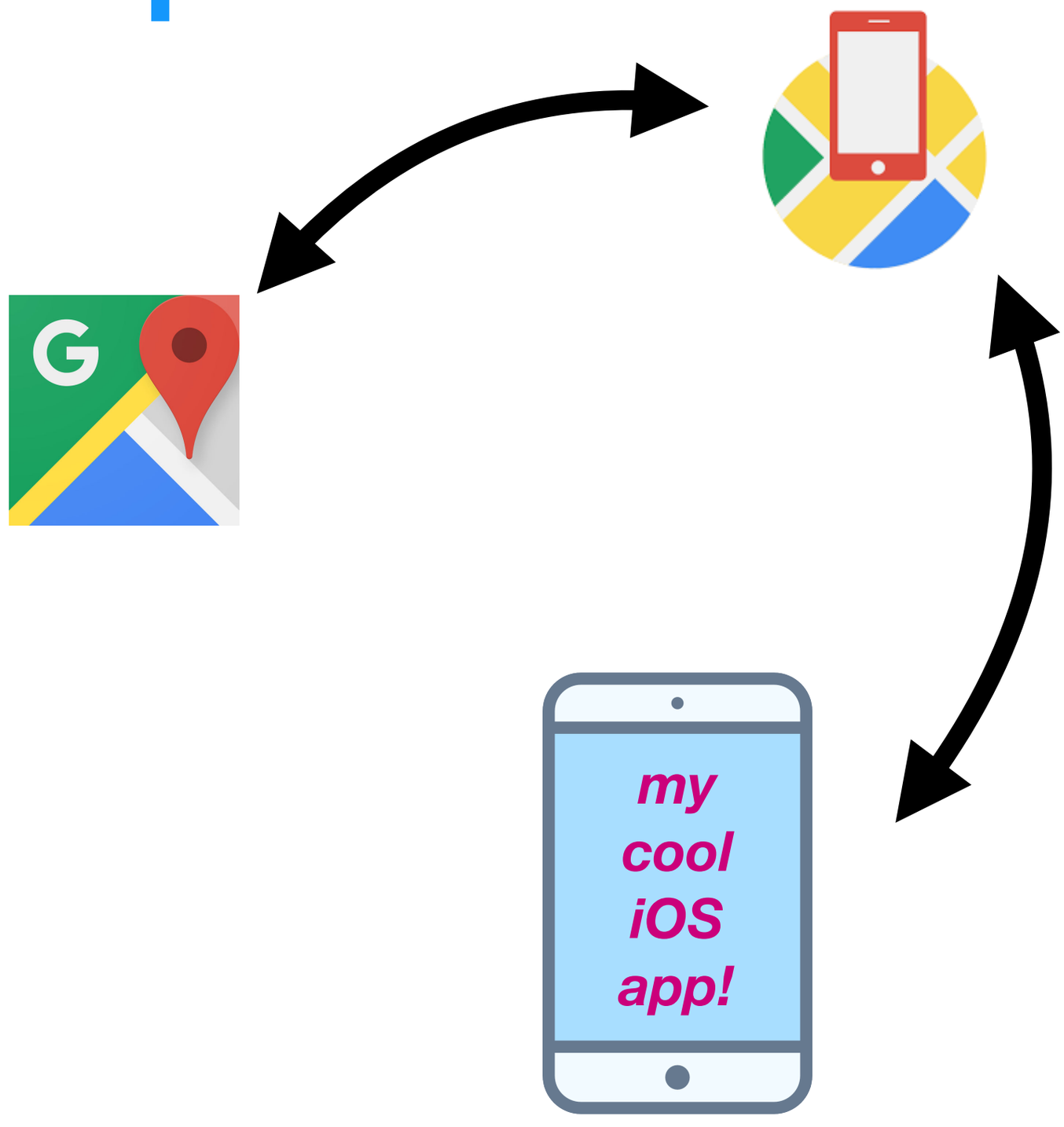
another example:
you've gathered extensive data and have created a database/app using it

share this data with other developers through your own api

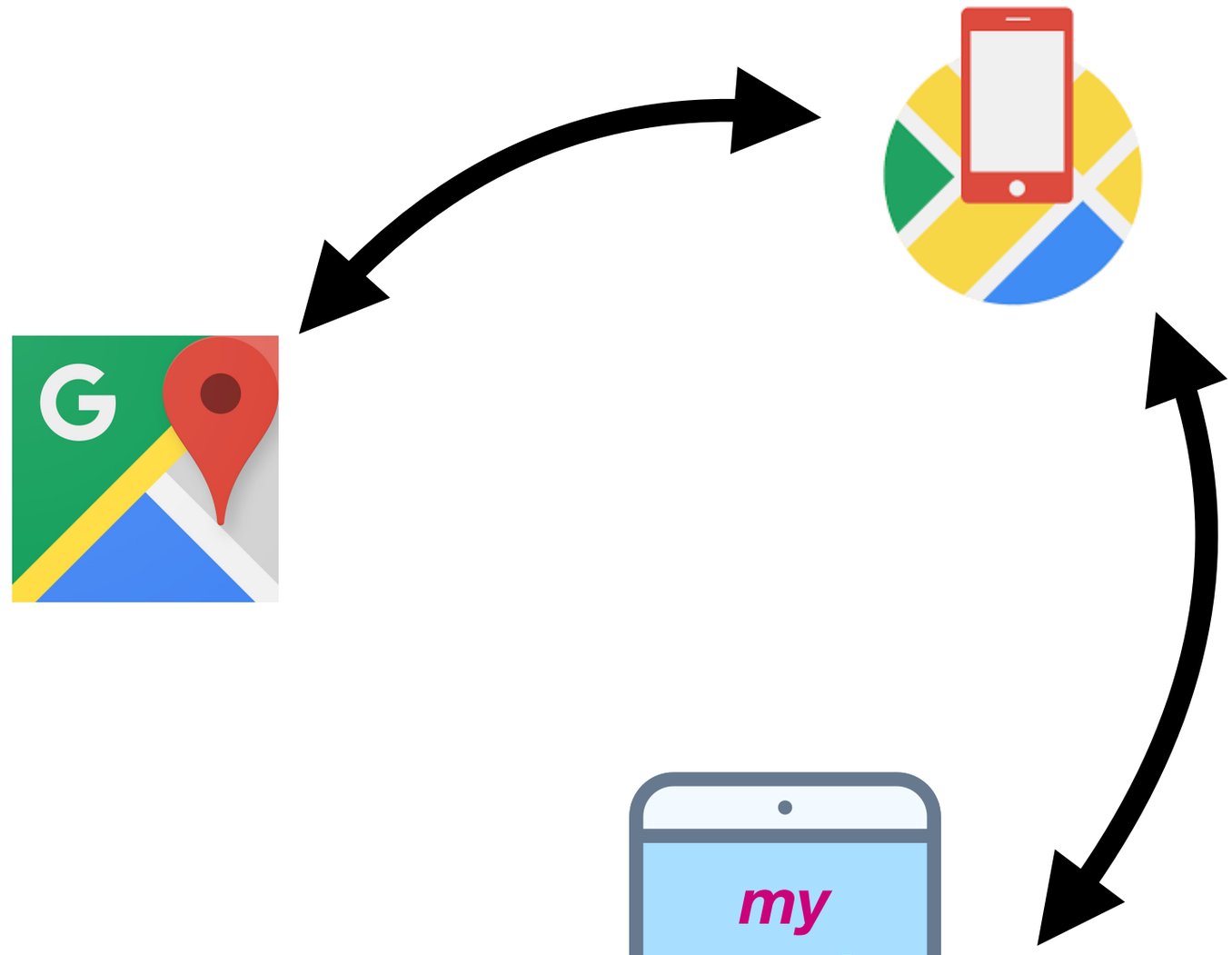


why are api's used?

save time

hide implementation details while providing functionality

modularity



how to use API's in iOS applications

direct RESTful api calls (via URL)
iOS sdk's (often still in objective C, but many now written in Swift)

Google Places API for iOS

Add up-to-date information about millions of locations for your iOS app.

Google Maps Directions API

Calculate directions between locations using an HTTP request.

RESTful apis

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representational
state
transfer

requests will return responses (XML, JSON, HTML)

RESTful apis + HTTP methods

http://**maps.google.com**/maps/api/geocode/json?address=berkeley

server

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http://maps.google.com/**maps/api/geocode/json**?address=berkeley

resources

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http://maps.google.com/maps/api/geocode/json?
address=berkeley

parameters

maps.google.com/maps/api/ge ×

maps.google.com/maps/api/geocode/json?address=berkeley


```
{
   "results" : [
      {
         "address_components" : [
            {
               "long_name" : "Berkeley",
               "short_name" : "Berkeley",
               "types" : [ "locality", "political" ]
            },
            {
               "long_name" : "Alameda County",
               "short_name" : "Alameda County",
               "types" : [ "administrative_area_level_2", "political" ]
            },
            {
               "long_name" : "California",
               "short_name" : "CA",
               "types" : [ "administrative_area_level_1", "political" ]
            },
            {
               "long_name" : "United States",
               "short_name" : "US",
               "types" : [ "country", "political" ]
            }
         ],
         "formatted_address" : "Berkeley, CA, USA",
         "geometry" : {
            "location" : {
               "lat" : 37.8718992,
               "lng" : -122.2585399
            },
            "location_type" : "GEOMETRIC_CENTER",
            "viewport" : {
               "northeast" : {
                  "lat" : 37.8732481802915,
                  "lng" : -122.2571909197085
               },
               "southwest" : {
                  "lat" : 37.87055021970851,
                  "lng" : -122.2598888802915
               }
            }
         }
```


response

JSON

Javascript Object Notation

text only format

- easy to send to / from server
- language independent

```
{
  "id": "883836255014203",
  "likes": {
    "data": [
      {
        "name": “Soda Hall",
        "id": "213133108715544",
        "created_time": "2017-08-22:"
      },
      {
        "name": “iOS decal",
        "id": "104681762916482",
        "created_time": "2017-08-21"
      },
      {
        "name": “Oski",
        "id": "548276038608761",
        "created_time": “2017-07-17"
...
```

but how do we do this in iOS?

making requests - URLRequest, URLSession (built in API's), or Alamofire (3rd party)

parsing - JSONSerialization or SwiftyJSON (3rd party)

URL Session

URLSession

Apple's API for downloading content

Support various URL schemes

HTTP, HTTPS, FTP, Data, File

Pass in a URL

URL object, allocated from String

Some Relevant Classes

URL

Object that contains URL

URLRequest

Contains URL, request method, etc.

URLResponse

Contains info for server's response

URLSession Workflow

1) Create URL from a String

2) Create URLSession

3) **Create a URLSessionDataTask**

   Get data from the task and save it

URLSession

URLSessionDataTask

dataTaskWithURL - Default HTTP GET

dataTaskWithRequest - Can specify HTTP

URLSession

```
func loadImage() {
  let url = URL(string:”https://instagram.com/img.jpg")

  let session = URLSession.shared

  let task = session.dataTask(with: url!,
                              completionHandler: {
    (data, response, error) -> Void in
    if error == nil {
        let img = UIImage.init(data: data!)
        self.imageView.image = img
    }
  })
    task.resume()
}
```

JSON parsing in iOS

JSONSerialization

jsonObject(with:options:)

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```
let data: Data // received from a network request
let json = try? JSONSerialization.jsonObject(with: data,
options: [])
```

accessing values from json

```
// Example JSON with object root:
/*
   {
      "someKey": 42.0,
      "anotherKey": {
         "someNestedKey": true
      }
   }
*/
if let dictionary = json as? [String: Any] {
   if let number = dictionary["someKey"] as? Double {
      // access individual value in dictionary
   }
```

[example link]

parsing via initializers

```
extension Dog {
  init?(json: [String: Any]) {
    guard let name = json["name"] as? String,
      let friends = json["friends"] as? [String],
      let bestFriendName = friends[0],
      let secondBestFriendName = friends[1],
      let meals = json[“meals"] as? [String: Any],
    else {
      return nil
}
```

creating Model objects from json example

CocoaPods

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A dependency manager for Cocoa and Cocoa Touch Projects

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- Make life **easier**
- Make life **funner**

Timepiece

Adding A Year To the Current Date:

Without Timepiece:

```
let calendar = NSCalendar.currentCalendar()
let newDate = calendar.dateByAddingUnit(.Year, value:
1, toDate: NSDate(), options:
NSCalendarOptions.MatchNextTime)
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With Timepiece

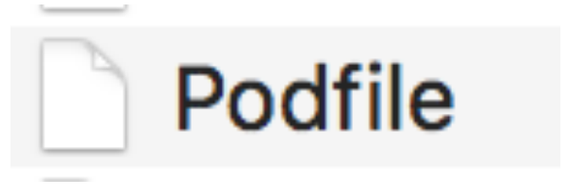
```
let newDate = now + 1.year
```

How to use CocoaPods

Install CocoaPods

```
sudo gem install cocoapods
```

Make a Podfile



1. Just named Podfile with no extension
2. Format (Trick: Use “pod init”):

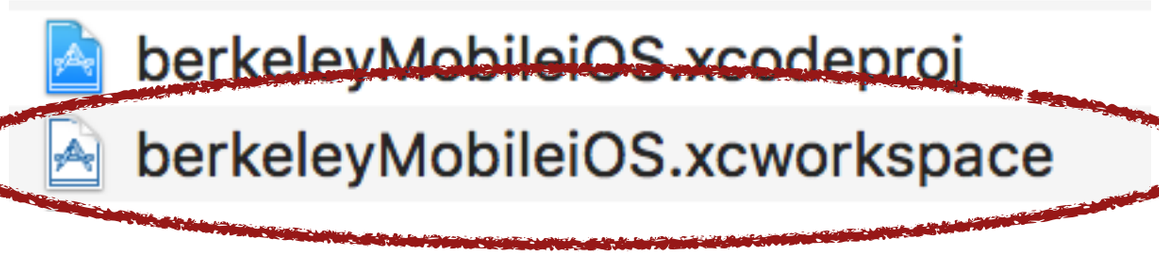
```
platform :ios, '8.0'
use_frameworks!

target 'MyApp' do
  pod ‘Timepiece’ ‘~> 1.0.2’
end
```

Update Dependencies

pod install

Open .xcworkspace



Check-in

https://tinyurl.com/ioslecture5

Alamofire

Alamofire : Networking in Swift

HTTP networking library written in Swift

Simplifies common networking tasks

- Request/Response methods
- JSON serialization
- Authentication

GitHub link

Alamofire : Requests

.request: HTTP requests
.upload: Upload large files
.download: Download large files or resume a download already in progress.

Alamofire : Request types

```
Alamofire.request("https://httpbin.org/
get") // default is GET

Alamofire.request("https://httpbin.org/
post", method: .post)
```

Alamofire : Response Handlers

```
// Response Data Handler - Serialized
into Data
func responseData(queue: DispatchQueue?,
completionHandler: @escaping
(DataResponse<Data>) -> Void) -> Self


// Response JSON Handler - Serialized
into Any
func responseJSON(queue: DispatchQueue?,
completionHandler: @escaping
(DataResponse<Any>) -> Void) -> Self
```

Alamofire : Request Example

```
Alamofire.request("https://httpbin.org/get”)
         .responseJSON { response in

        }
```

Bonus Slides

closures - review

Can capture and store references to any constants and variables from the context in which they are defined

- **Global closure functions**
  - Named, do not capture values
- **Nested closure functions**
  - Named, capture values from enclosing function

closures - format

```
{ (parameters) -> return-type in
    statements
}
```

Example

```
let intPow = {(val1: Int, val2: Int) -> Int in
    return Int(pow(Double(val1),
                   Double(val2)))
}

let result = intPow(2, 10)
print(result)
```

Alamofire : Authentication

```
let user = "user"
let password = "password"

Alamofire.request(“https://
        httpbin.org/basic-auth/\(user)/
        \(password)")
       .authenticate(user: user,
                     password: password)
       .responseJSON { response in
       debugPrint(response)
}
```

Alamofire : Parameters

```
Alamofire.request("https://httpbin.org/post",
                  method: .post,
                  parameters: parameters)

Alamofire.request("https://httpbin.org/post",
                  method: .post,
                  parameters: parameters,
                  encoding: URLEncoding.default)
```