

Core Data Fundamentals

Basic Reading and Writing Data

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Introduction

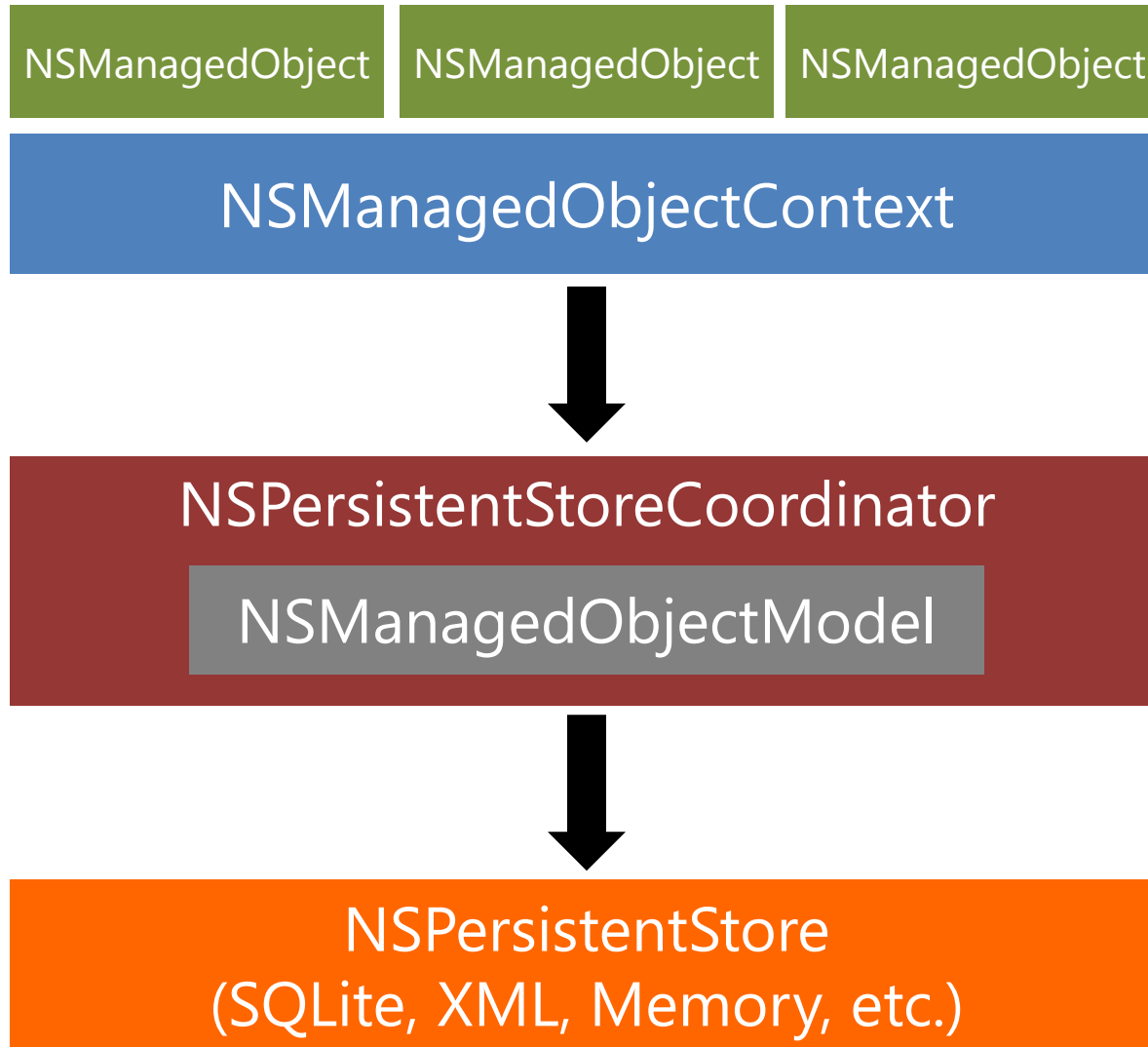
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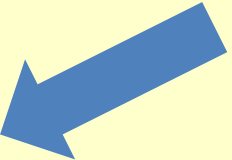


NSEntityDescription

```
DataSource *dataStore = [DataSource sharedDataStore];  
NSManagedObjectContext *context = [dataStore context];  
  
NSEntityDescription *desc;  
desc = [NSEntityDescription entityForName:@"ItemCategory"  
        inManagedObjectContext:context];
```



```
DataSource *dataStore = [DataSource sharedDataStore];  
NSManagedObjectContext *context = [dataStore context];  
  
NSManagedObject *obj;  
obj = [NSEntityDescription insertNewObjectForEntityForName:@"ItemCategory"  
        inManagedObjectContext:context];
```



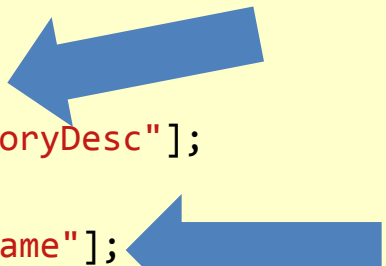
NSManagedObject

```
DataStore *dataStore = [DataStore sharedDataStore];
NSManagedObjectContext *context = [dataStore context];

NSManagedObject *category1;
category1 = [NSEntityDescription insertNewObjectForEntityForName:@"ItemCategory"
                                                inManagedObjectContext:context];

[category1 setValue:@"Electronics" forKey:@"categoryName"];
[category1 setValue:@"Rarely Purchased Gadgets" forKey:@"categoryDesc"];

NSString *newCategoryName = [category1 valueForKey:@"categoryName"];
```

Two blue arrows are present. One arrow points from the right towards the @"categoryName" key in the line [category1 setValue:@"Electronics" forKey:@"categoryName"];. The second arrow points from the right towards the @"categoryName" key in the line NSString *newCategoryName = [category1 valueForKey:@"categoryName"];.

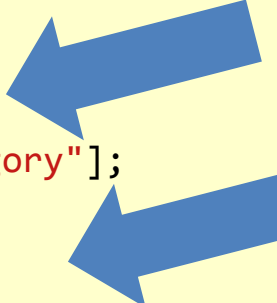
NSFetchRequest

```
DataStore *dataStore = [DataStore sharedDataStore];
NSManagedObjectContext *context = [dataStore context];

NSFetchRequest *req;
req = [NSFetchRequest fetchRequestWithEntityName:@"ItemCategory"];

NSError *error;
NSArray *allCategories = [context executeFetchRequest:req error:&error];

if (!allCategories) {
    NSLog(@"An error occurred. Error: %@", [error localizedDescription]);
}
```

Two blue arrows are positioned on the right side of the code block. The top arrow points from the right towards the string literal @"ItemCategory" in the line 'req = [NSFetchRequest fetchRequestWithEntityName:@"ItemCategory"];'. The bottom arrow points from the right towards the string literal @"An error occurred. Error: %@" in the line 'NSLog(@"An error occurred. Error: %@", [error localizedDescription]);'.

Summary

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