

Gestures

Mobile Application Development in iOS

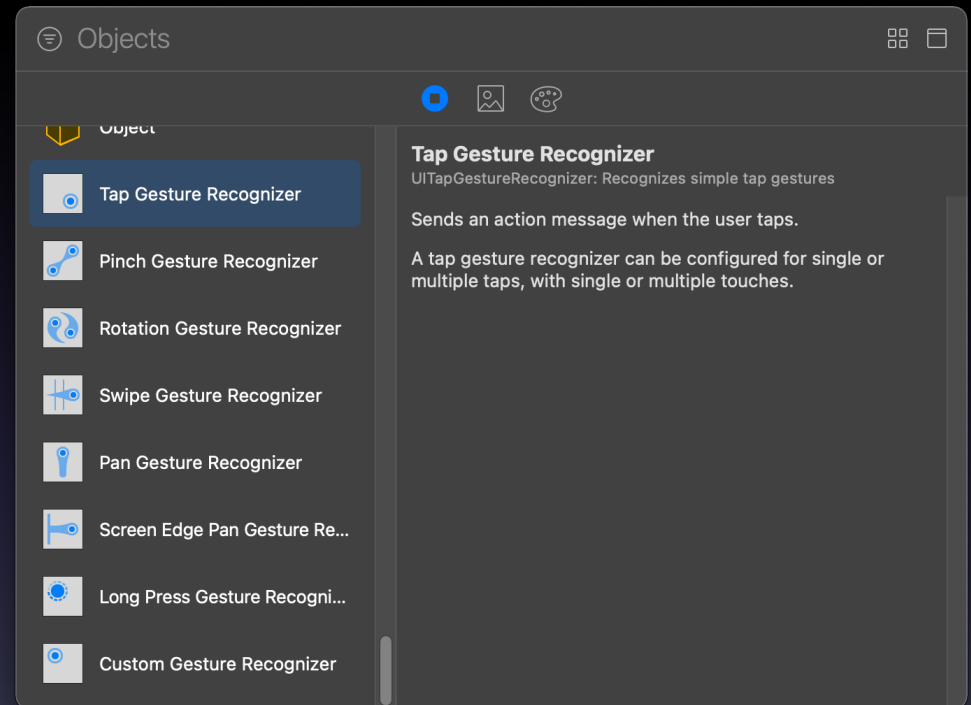
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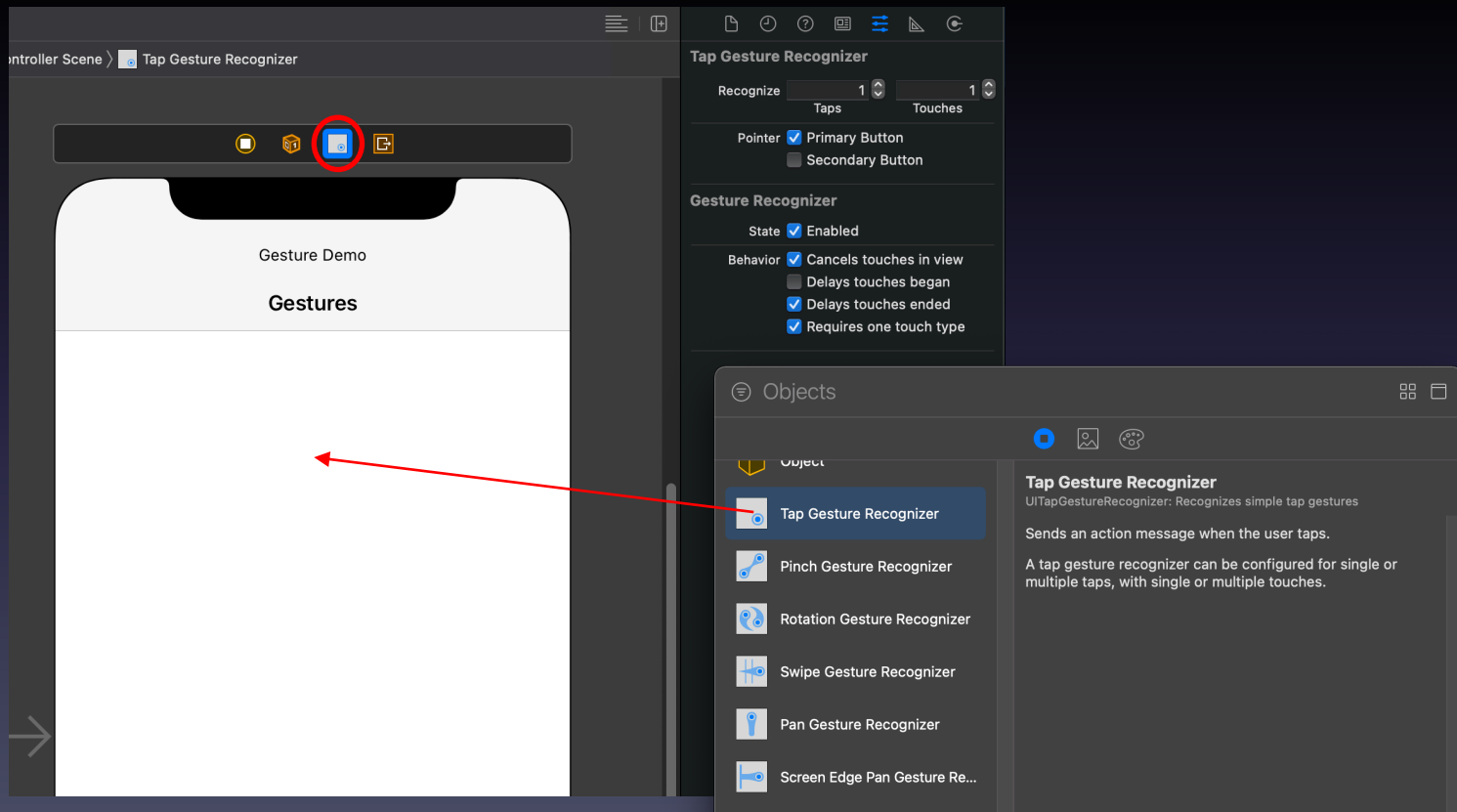
Outline

- Gestures
- Gesture recognizers
- Gesture states
- Custom gestures



Add Gesture in Storyboard

- Step 1: Drag gesture into view

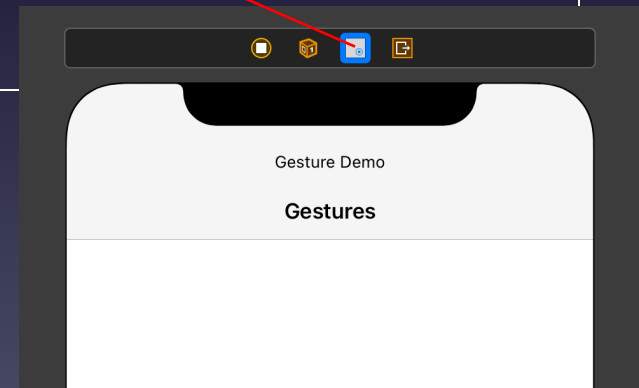


Add Gesture in Storyboard

- Step 2: Connect gesture to **@IBAction**

```
// In ViewController class...

@IBAction func tapDetected(_ sender: UIGestureRecognizer) {
    let point = sender.location(in: self.view)
    let x = Int(point.x)
    let y = Int(point.y)
    print("tap detected at \(x), \(y)")
}
```



Add Gesture Programmatically

```
class ViewController: UIViewController {

    override func viewDidLoad() {
        super.viewDidLoad()
        // Do any additional setup after loading the view
        let twoTouchTapGestureRecognizer =
            UITapGestureRecognizer(target: self,
                                action: #selector(handleTwoTouchTap))
        twoTouchTapGestureRecognizer.numberOfTouchesRequired = 2
        self.view.addGestureRecognizer(twoTouchTapGestureRecognizer)
    }

    @objc func handleTwoTouchTap(_ sender: UITapGestureRecognizer) {
        let center = sender.location(in: self.view)
        let touch1 = sender.location(ofTouch: 0, in: self.view)
        let touch2 = sender.location(ofTouch: 1, in: self.view)
        let xc = Int(center.x), yc = Int(center.y)
        let x1 = Int(touch1.x), y1 = Int(touch1.y)
        let x2 = Int(touch2.x), y2 = Int(touch2.y)
        print("two-touch tap detected at \(x1), \(y1) and \(x2), \(y2),
              centered at \(xc), \(yc)")
    }
}
```

Shift-Option to demo in simulator.

Other Gestures:

Subclasses of `UIGestureRecognizer`

- `UITapGestureRecognizer` (multiple taps/touches)
- `UIPinchGestureRecognizer`
- `UIRotationGestureRecognizer`
- `UISwipeGestureRecognizer` (up, down, left, right)
- `UIPanGestureRecognizer`
- `UIScreenEdgePanGestureRecognizer`
(top, bottom, left, right, all)
- `UILongPressGestureRecognizer`
- Custom: `class MyGesture: UIGestureRecognizer`



Tap Gesture Recognizer



Pinch Gesture Recognizer



Rotation Gesture Recognizer



Swipe Gesture Recognizer



Pan Gesture Recognizer



Screen Edge Pan Gesture Re...



Long Press Gesture Recogni...



Custom Gesture Recognizer

Multiple Gestures

- By default, only one gesture detected per user interaction
- Allow simultaneous gestures
 - `func gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer, shouldRecognizeSimultaneouslyWith otherGestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer) -> Bool`
- Gesture preference
 - `func gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer, shouldRequireFailureOf otherGestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer) -> Bool`

Multiple Gestures

```
class ViewController: UIViewController, UIGestureRecognizerDelegate {

    override func viewDidLoad() {
        super.viewDidLoad()
        // Do any additional setup after loading the view
        let panGestureRecognizer = UIPanGestureRecognizer(target: self,
            action: #selector(handlePan))
        panGestureRecognizer.delegate = self
        self.view.addGestureRecognizer(panGestureRecognizer)
        let swipeGestureRecognizer = UISwipeGestureRecognizer(target: self,
            action: #selector(handleSwipe)) // default direction = .right
        self.view.addGestureRecognizer(swipeGestureRecognizer)
    }

    func gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer,
        shouldRecognizeSimultaneouslyWith otherGestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer)
        -> Bool {
        if gestureRecognizer is UIPanGestureRecognizer { // gesture sending message
            if otherGestureRecognizer is UISwipeGestureRecognizer {
                return true
            }
        }
        return false
    }
}
```


Multiple Gestures

```
func gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer,
shouldRequireFailureOf otherGestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer)
    -> Bool {
    if gestureRecognizer is UIPanGestureRecognizer {
        if otherGestureRecognizer is UISwipeGestureRecognizer {
            return true
        }
    }
    return false
}
```

Gesture States

- `UIGestureRecognizer.State`
 - `.possible` (default)
 - `.began`
 - `.changed`
 - `.ended` (resets to `.possible`)
 - `.cancelled` (resets to `.possible`)
 - `.failed` (resets to `.possible`)
 - `.recognized` (resets to `.possible`)
- developer.apple.com/documentation/uikit/uigesturerecognizer/state

Gesture States (e.g., Pan)

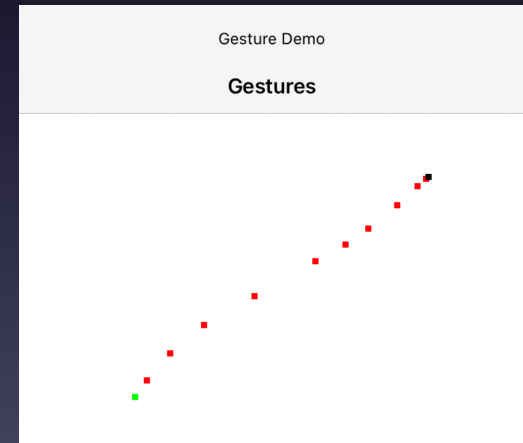
```
@objc func handlePan (_ sender: UIPanGestureRecognizer) {  
    let point = sender.location(in: self.view)  
    let x = Int(point.x)  
    let y = Int(point.y)  
    switch sender.state {  
    case .began: print("pan began at (\(x), \(y))")  
    case .changed: print("pan changed to (\(x), \(y))")  
    case .ended: print("pan ended at (\(x), \(y))")  
    default: print("pan in other state at (\(x), \(y))")  
    }  
}
```

SideBar: Drawing Boxes to Track Gesture

```
var boxViews: [UIView] = []

func drawBox(point: CGPoint, color: UIColor) {
    let boxRect = CGRect(x: point.x, y: point.y,
        width: 5.0, height: 5.0)
    let boxView = UIView(frame: boxRect)
    boxView.backgroundColor = color
    self.view?.addSubview(boxView)
    boxViews.append(boxView)
}

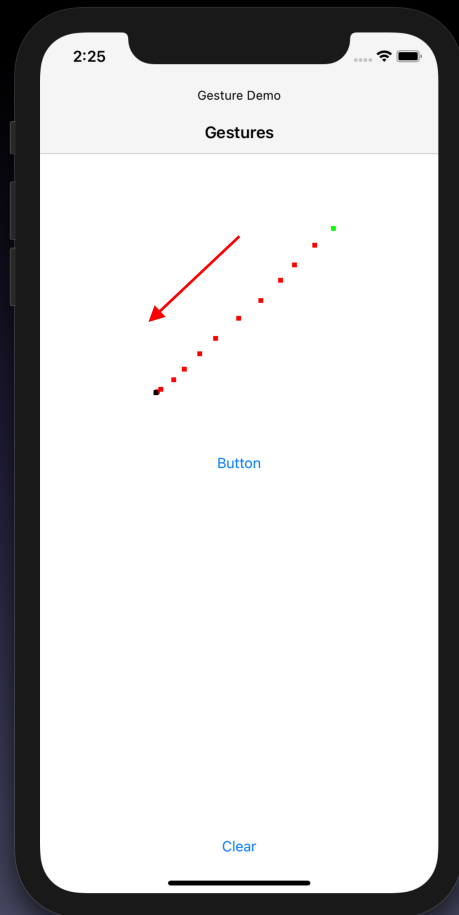
func clearBoxes() {
    for boxView in boxViews {
        boxView.removeFromSuperview()
    }
    boxViews.removeAll()
}
```



Custom Gestures

- Import `UIKit` and `UIKit.UIGestureRecognizerSubclass`
- Create subclass of `UIGestureRecognizer`
 - Defines methods and properties to override
- Override main gesture methods
 - `touchesBegan(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent)`
 - `touchesMoved(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent)`
 - `touchesEnded(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent)`
 - `touchesCancelled(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent)`
 - `reset()`

Custom Gesture Example: Backslash



```
GestureDemo
backslash: touchesBegan
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backslash: touchesEnded
backslash detected
backslash: reset
```

Backslash Custom Gesture (1)

```
import UIKit
import UIKit.UIGestureRecognizerSubclass

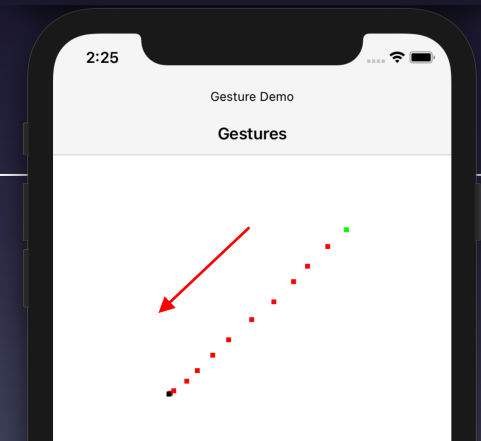
class BackslashGestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer {

    var minLength: Float = 100
    var initialPoint: CGPoint!
    var previousPoint: CGPoint!

    override func touchesBegan(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent) {
        print("backslash: touchesBegan")
        let touch = touches.first
        if let point = touch?.location(in: self.view) {
            initialPoint = point
            previousPoint = point
            state = .began
        }
    }
}
```

Backslash Custom Gesture (2)

```
override func touchesMoved(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent) {  
    print("backslash: touchesMoved")  
    let touch = touches.first  
    if let point = touch?.location(in: self.view) {  
        if ((point.x == previousPoint.x) &&  
            (point.y == previousPoint.y)) {  
            previousPoint = point  
            state = .changed  
        } else {  
            state = .failed  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Backslash Custom Gesture (3)

```
override func touchesEnded(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent) {
    print("backslash: touchesEnded")
    let touch = touches.first
    if let point = touch?.location(in: self.view) {
        if (point != initialPoint) &&
            (distance(point, initialPoint) >= minLength) {
            state = .ended
        } else {
            state = .failed
        }
    }
}

func distance(_ p1: CGPoint, _ p2: CGPoint) -> Float {
    let xdist = abs(p1.x - p2.x)
    let ydist = abs(p1.y - p2.y)
    let dist = sqrt((xdist * xdist) + (ydist * ydist))
    return Float(dist)
}
```

Backslash Custom Gesture (4)

```
override func touchesCancelled(_ touches: Set<UITouch>,
                               with event: UIEvent) {
    print("backslash: touchesCancelled")
    state = .cancelled
}

override func reset() {
    print("backslash: reset")
}

}
```

Backslash Custom Gesture (5)

```
// In viewDidLoad...
let backslashGestureRecognizer =
    BackslashGestureRecognizer(target: self,
                               action: #selector(handleBackslash))
backslashGestureRecognizer.minLength = 25
backslashGestureRecognizer.delegate = self
self.view.addGestureRecognizer(backslashGestureRecognizer)

// In ViewController...
@objc func handleBackslash(_ sender: BackslashGestureRecognizer) {
    if sender.state == .ended {
        print("backslash detected")
    }
}
```

Remember to conform your ViewController to [UIGestureRecognizerDelegate](#)

Custom Gestures

- Preserving interactions with view elements
 - E.g., button taps will go to gesture, not UIButton
 - Use `gestureRecognizer: shouldReceive`

```
// In ViewController
func gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer,
                      shouldReceive touch: UITouch) -> Bool {
    if touch.view is UIButton {
        return false
    }
    // Add more checks for other types of view elements, as needed
    return true
}
```

Resources

- Human Interface Guidelines: Gestures
 - developer.apple.com/design/human-interface-guidelines/ios/user-interaction/gestures
- **UIGestureRecognizer** API Reference
 - developer.apple.com/documentation/uikit/uigesturerecognizer
- Implementing a custom gesture recognizer
 - developer.apple.com/documentation/uikit/touches_presses_and_gestures/implementing_a_custom_gesture_recognizer