# Optimizing Swift code for separation of concerns and simplicity

### Intro

- Pebble
- Twitter (Fabric)



## Coding Principles

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- Simplicity
- Conciseness
- Clarity

## Separation of Concerns

- Code is read much more often than it is written
- Separating the "what" from the "how"

#### **Example 1 (Before)**

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```
private extension String {
  var characterCountUsingBackendPolicy: Int {
    return utf16.count
func textView(_ textView: UITextView,
              shouldChangeTextIn range: NSRange,
              replacementText text: String) -> Bool {
  let characters =
    textView.text.characterCountUsingBackendPolicy
    + text.characterCountUsingBackendPolicy
    - range.length
  let characterLimit = 140
  sendButton.isEnabled = characters <= characterLimit</pre>
  return true
```

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#### Example 2 (Before)

```
api.requestReplies(postID: 4815162342) { [weak self] result in
   switch result {
   case .success(let replies):
     var filteredReplies: [Reply] = []
     for reply in replies {
       if !user.isBlocking(reply.author) {
         filteredReplies.append(reply)
     self?.replies = filteredReplies
   case .failure:
      // ...
```

#### **Example 2 (After)**

```
extension Collection where Element == Reply {
  var filteringBlockedContent: [Reply] {
    return filter { !user.isBlocking($0.author) }
api.requestReplies(postID: 4815162342) { [weak self] result in
   switch result {
   case .success(let replies):
     self?.replies = replies.filteringBlockedContent
   case .failure:
      // ...
```

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#### Example 3 (Before)

```
NSLayoutConstraint.activate([
    subview.leadingAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.leadingAnchor, constant: insets.left),
    subview.topAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.topAnchor, constant: insets.top),
    view.trailingAnchor.constraint(equalTo: subview.trailingAnchor, constant: insets.right),
    view.bottomAnchor.constraint(equalTo: subview.bottomAnchor, constant: insets.bottom)
])
```

#### **Example 3 (After)**

```
NSLayoutConstraint.activate([
  subview.leadingAnchor ≈ view.leadingAnchor + insets.left,
  subview.topAnchor ≈ view.topAnchor + insets.top,
  view.trailingAnchor ≈ subview.trailingAnchor + insets.right,
  view.bottomAnchor ≈ subview.bottomAnchor + insets.bottom
infix operator ≈ : LayoutAnchorPrecedence
func ≈ <AnchorType>(lhs: NSLayoutAnchor<AnchorType>,
                    rhs: LayoutAnchorTransform<AnchorType>) -> NSLayoutConstraint {
    return lhs.constraint(equalTo: rhs.anchor, constant: rhs.constant)
func + <AnchorType>(lhs: NSLayoutAnchor<AnchorType>,
                    rhs: CGFloat) -> LayoutAnchorTransform<AnchorType> {
    return LayoutAnchorTransform(anchor: lhs, constant: rhs)
```

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#### Example 3 (After 2)

NSLayoutConstraint.activate(NSLayoutConstraint.anchoring(subview, within: view)) extension NSLayoutConstraint { static func anchoring(\_ subview: UIView, within view: UIView, insets: UIEdgeInsets = .zero) -> [NSLayoutConstraint] { return [ subview.leadingAnchor ≈ view.leadingAnchor + insets.left, subview.topAnchor ≈ view.topAnchor + insets.top, view.trailingAnchor ≈ subview.trailingAnchor + insets.right, view.bottomAnchor ≈ subview.bottomAnchor + insets.bottom

#### **Example 3 (Before and After)**

```
// Before
NSLayoutConstraint.activate([
   subview.leadingAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.leadingAnchor, constant: insets.left),
   subview.topAnchor.constraint(equalTo: view.topAnchor, constant: insets.top),
   view.trailingAnchor.constraint(equalTo: subview.trailingAnchor, constant: insets.right),
   view.bottomAnchor.constraint(equalTo: subview.bottomAnchor, constant: insets.bottom)
])
// After
NSLayoutConstraint.activate(NSLayoutConstraint.anchoring(subview, within: view))
```

```
class MyView: UIView {
  var activeConstraints: [NSLayoutConstraint] = [] {
   willSet { NSLayoutConstraint.deactivate(activeConstraints) }
   didSet { NSLayoutConstraint.activate(activeConstraints) }
  var headerVisible: Bool { didSet {
   activeConstraints = [
      view.topAnchor ≈ (headerVisible ? header.topAnchor : header.bottomAnchor),
     // more ...
```

#### Example 5 (Before)

```
func tableView(_ tableView: UITableView, numberOfRowsInSection section: Int) -> Int {
 return 3
func tableView(_ tableView: UITableView, cellForRowAt indexPath: IndexPath) -> UITableViewCell {
  let cell = tableView.dequeueReusableCell(withIdentifier: "identifier", for: indexPath)
 if indexPath.row == 0 {
    cell.textLabel.text = "General"
 } else if indexPath.row == 1 {
    cell.textLabel.text = "Notifications"
 } else if indexPath.row == 2 {
    cell.textLabel.text = "Log Out"
  return cell
```

#### Example 5 (After)

```
enum Row {
  case general, notifications, logout
  var title: String {
    switch self {
    case .general: return "General"
    // ...
let rows: [Row] = [.general, .notifications, .logout]
func tableView(_ tableView: UITableView, numberOfRowsInSection section: Int) -> Int {
  return rows.count
func tableView(_ tableView: UITableView, cellForRowAt indexPath: IndexPath) -> UITableViewCell {
  let cell = collectionView.dequeueReusableCell(...
  cell.textLabel.text = rows[indexPath.row].title
  return cell
```

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#### **Example 6 (Before)**

```
func showTutorial() {
   guard !UserDefaults.standard.bool(forKey: "has_seen_tutorial") else { return }

   // Show tutorial

   UserDefaults.standard.set(true, forKey: "has_seen_tutorial")
}
```

#### **Example 6 (After)**

```
var hasSeenTutorial: Bool {
  get { return UserDefaults.standard.bool(forKey: "has_seen_tutorial") }
  set { UserDefaults.standard.set(newValue, forKey: "has_seen_tutorial") }
func showTutorial() {
  guard !hasSeenTutorial else { return }
  // Show tutorial
  hasSeenTutorial = true
```

#### **Example 7 (Before)**

```
if #available(iOS 11.0, *) {
  constraints = \Gamma
    subview.topAnchor ≈ view.safeAreaLayoutGuide.topAnchor,
    subview.leadingAnchor ≈ view.safeAreaLayoutGuide.leadingAnchor,
    subview.bottomAnchor ≈ view.safeAreaLayoutGuide.bottomAnchor,
    subview.trailingAnchor ≈ view.safeAreaLayoutGuide.trailingAnchor,
} else {
  constraints = \Gamma
    subview.topAnchor ≈ view.topAnchor,
    subview.leadingAnchor ≈ view.leadingAnchor,
    subview.bottomAnchor ≈ view.bottomAnchor,
    subview.trailingAnchor ≈ view.trailingAnchor,
```

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#### Example 7 (After)

```
extension UIView {
  var tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide: UILayoutGuide {
    if #available(iOS 11.0, *) {
      return safeAreaLayoutGuide
    if let tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide = objc_getAssociatedObject(self, associatedKey) as? UILayoutGuide {
      return tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide
    let tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide = UILayoutGuide()
    addLayoutGuide(tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide)
    NSLayoutConstraint.activate(NSLayoutConstraint.anchoring(tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide, within: self))
    objc_setAssociatedObject(self, associatedKey, tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide, .OBJC_ASSOCIATION_RETAIN_NONATOMIC)
    return tw_safeAreaLayoutGuide
```

#### **Example 8 (Before)**

```
// Set size big enough to make it easy to tap
button.frame = CGRect(origin: .zero, size: CGSize(width: 44, height: 44))
```

#### **Example 8 (After)**

```
class TWMinimumHitAreaButton: UIButton {
  override func hitTest(_ point: CGPoint, with event: UIEvent?) -> UIView? {
    guard !isHidden && enabled && isUserInteractionEnabled && alpha >= 0.01 else {
      return nil
    let lengthOfTappableAreaOutside: CGFloat = 10.0
    let minimumHitAreaSize = CGSize(width: 44, height: 44)
    // Increase the hit frame to be at least as big as `minimumHitArea`
    let buttonSize = bounds.size
    let widthToAdd = max(minimumHitAreaSize.width - buttonSize.width, lengthOfTappableAreaOutside * 2)
    let heightToAdd = max(minimumHitAreaSize.height - buttonSize.height, lengthOfTappableAreaOutside * 2)
    let largerFrame = bounds.insetBy(dx: -widthToAdd / 2, dy: -heightToAdd / 2)
    // Perform hit test on larger frame
    let hit = largerFrame.contains(point)
    return hit ? self : nil
```

#### **Example 9 (Before)**

```
/// [ Send ] / [ Close ] / [ Send ] - [ Close ]
private let sendButton: UIButton
var showSendButton: Bool {
 didSet {
   if showSendButton {
     addSubview(sendButton)
   } else {
     sendButton.removeFromSuperview()
   configureConstraints()
private let closeButton: UIButton
var showCloseButton: Bool {
 didSet {
```

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#### **Example 9 (After)**

```
private let sendButton: UIButton
private let closeButton: UIButton
private let stackView = UIStackView(arrangedViews: sendButton, closeButton)
var showSendButton: Bool {
  didSet {
    sendButton.isHidden = !showSendButton
var showCloseButton: Bool {
  didSet {
    closeButton.isHidden = !showCloseButton
```

- ProfileViewController
  - user details
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  - (user details)
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```
final class ProfileViewController: UIViewController {
  // Before:
  private let userInfo: UserInfo
  private let headerView: ProfileHeaderView
  // After:
  private var userInfo: UserInfo?
  private var headerView: ProfileHeaderView?
  private var spinner: UIActivityIndicatorView?
  private var retryButton: UIButton?
```

```
final class ProfileViewController: UIViewController {
   private enum State {
     case pending
     case loading(spinner: UIActivityIndicatorView)
     case failed(retryButton: UIButton)
     case loaded(userInfo: UserInfo, headerView: ProfileHeaderView)
   }
   private var state: State = .pending
}
```

```
final class ProfileViewController: UIViewController {
  var state: State = .pending
  private func loadUserDetails() {
    state = .loading(spinner: UIActivityIndicatorView())
    api.requestUserDetails(userID) { [weak self] result in
      switch result {
      case let .success(userInfo):
        self?.state = .loaded(userInfo: userInfo, headerView: createHeaderView(userInfo))
      case let .failure:
        self?.state = .failed(createRetryButton())
```

```
final class ProfileViewController: UIViewController {
  var visibleView: UIView? {
    willSet { visibleView?.removeFromSuperview() }
    didSet { if let visibleView = visibleView { view.addSubview(visibleView) } }
  var state: State = .pending {
    didSet {
      switch state {
      case .pending: visibleView = nil
      case .loading(let spinner): visibleView = spinner
      case .loaded(_, let profileHeaderView): visibleView = profileHeaderView
      case .failed(let retryButton): visibleView = retryButton
```

## Summary

- Value in optimizing readability in local scopes
- DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself)
- Swift enums are awesome

## Happy Swifting! Thank you.