



State Management in SwiftUI

Understanding the tools for managing app state

What is State?

- Definition: 'State is any data that can change over time'
- Examples:
 - User input
 - API responses
 - Toggle switches
 - Animation progress

Why State Management Matters?

- Consistency between UI and data
- Performance optimization
- Code organisation and maintainability
- Predictable app behaviour

SwiftUI State Management Tools vs UIKit

SwiftUI:

- @State
- @Binding
- @ObservedObject
- @StateObject
- @EnvironmentObject
- @Environment

UIKit:

- Properties
- Delegation
- Key-Value Observing (KVO)
- NotificationCenter

@State and UIKit Properties

SwiftUI: @State

```
@State private var count = 0
```

UIKit:

```
var count = 0 {  
    didSet {  
        updateUI()  
    }  
}
```

@Binding and UIKit Delegation

SwiftUI: @Binding

```
struct ToggleView: View {  
    @Binding var isOn: Bool  
    var body: some View {  
        Toggle("Switch", isOn: $isOn)  
    }  
}
```

UIKit: Delegation

```
protocol ToggleViewDelegate: AnyObject {  
    func toggleView(_ toggleView: ToggleView, didChangeState isOn: Bool)  
}
```

```
class ToggleView: UIView {  
    weak var delegate: ToggleViewDelegate?  
    // Implementation...  
}
```

@ObservedObject and KVO

SwiftUI: @ObservedObject

```
class UserSettings: ObservableObject {  
    @Published var username = ""  
}
```

```
struct ProfileView: View {  
    @ObservedObject var settings: UserSettings  
    // View body...  
}
```

UIKit: Key-Value Observing (KVO)

```
class UserSettings: NSObject {  
    @objc dynamic var username = ""  
}
```

```
class ProfileViewController: UIViewController {  
    var observation: NSKeyValueObservation?
```

```
    override func viewDidLoad() {  
        super.viewDidLoad()  
        observation = settings.observe(\.username, options: [.new]) { [weak self] _, change in  
            self?.updateUI()  
        }  
    }  
}
```

@StateObject

SwiftUI: @StateObject

```
struct ContentView: View {  
  
    @StateObject private var settings = UserSettings()  
  
    // View body...  
  
}
```

UIKit: No direct equivalent

```
class ContentViewController: UIViewController {  
  
    private let settings = UserSettings()  
  
    // Implementation...  
  
}
```


@EnvironmentObject and Dependency Injection

SwiftUI: @EnvironmentObject

@main

```
struct MyApp: App {  
    var body: some Scene {  
        WindowGroup {  
            ContentView()  
                .environmentObject(UserSettings())  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
struct ProfileView: View {  
    @EnvironmentObject var settings: UserSettings  
    // View body...  
}
```

@Environment and UIKit's UITraitCollection

SwiftUI: @Environment

```
struct ContentView: View {  
    @Environment(\.colorScheme) var colorScheme  
  
    var body: some View {  
        Text("Current mode: \(colorScheme == .dark ? "Dark" : "Light")")  
    }  
}
```