

Writing **Swift** code with *great* testability

or, how  +  became my new  + 

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how ⌘ + U became my new ⌘ + R



Unit tests are a **waste of time**. It's faster and easier to do manual testing, and focus my coding time on writing **actual** code.



Unbox, Wrap, Hub Framework, etc...



Integrating, re-building, manual testing



Bugs, regressions, unwanted behavior

how  +  became my new  + 



Spotify app

Hub Framework

20x faster compile times!



Automating testing = Focus on coding



Tests provide documentation of intent



Tests let me **move faster**, I don't have to constantly run the app, but can instead verify most of its working parts in isolation, and make **quick iterations**.

**3 tips on how to work
with unit testing in **



Design your code for testability

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What makes code easy to test?

Unified
Input/Output

State is kept
local

Injected
dependencies

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            return cachedFile
        }

        let bundle = Bundle.main

        guard let url = bundle.url(forResource: fileName, withExtension: nil) else {
            throw NSError(domain: "com.johnsundell.myapp.fileLoader", code: 7, userInfo: nil)
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enum FileLoaderError: Error {  
    case invalidFileName(String)  
    case invalidFileURL(URL)  
}
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← Dedicated error type

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        }  
  
        let bundle = Bundle.main  
  
        guard let url = bundle.url(forResource: fileName, withExtension: nil) else {  
            throw FileLoaderError.invalidFileName(fileName)  
        }  
  
        do {  
            let data = try Data(contentsOf: url)  
            let file = File(data: data)  
  
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            return file  
        } catch {  
            throw FileLoaderError.invalidFileURL(url)  
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Unified error output

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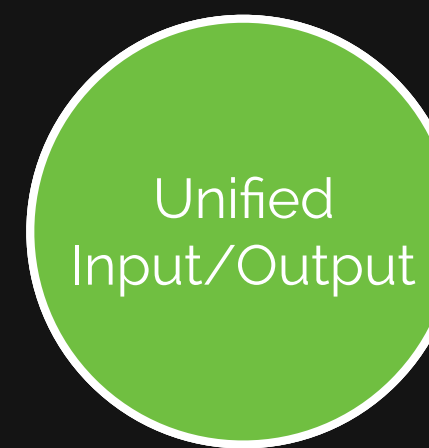
```
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```

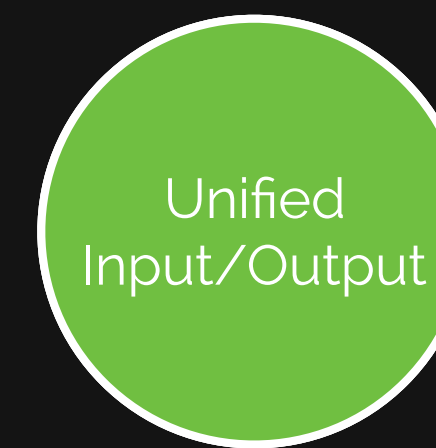
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```

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```
class FileLoader {  
    private let cache = Cache()  
    private let bundle: Bundle  
  
    init(cache: Cache = .init(), bundle: Bundle = .main) {  
        self.cache = cache  
        self.bundle = bundle  
    }  
  
    func file(named fileName: String) throws -> File {  
        if let cachedFile = cache.file(named: fileName) {  
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    }  
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```

Dependency injection (with defaults)

Using injected dependencies

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Design your code for testability

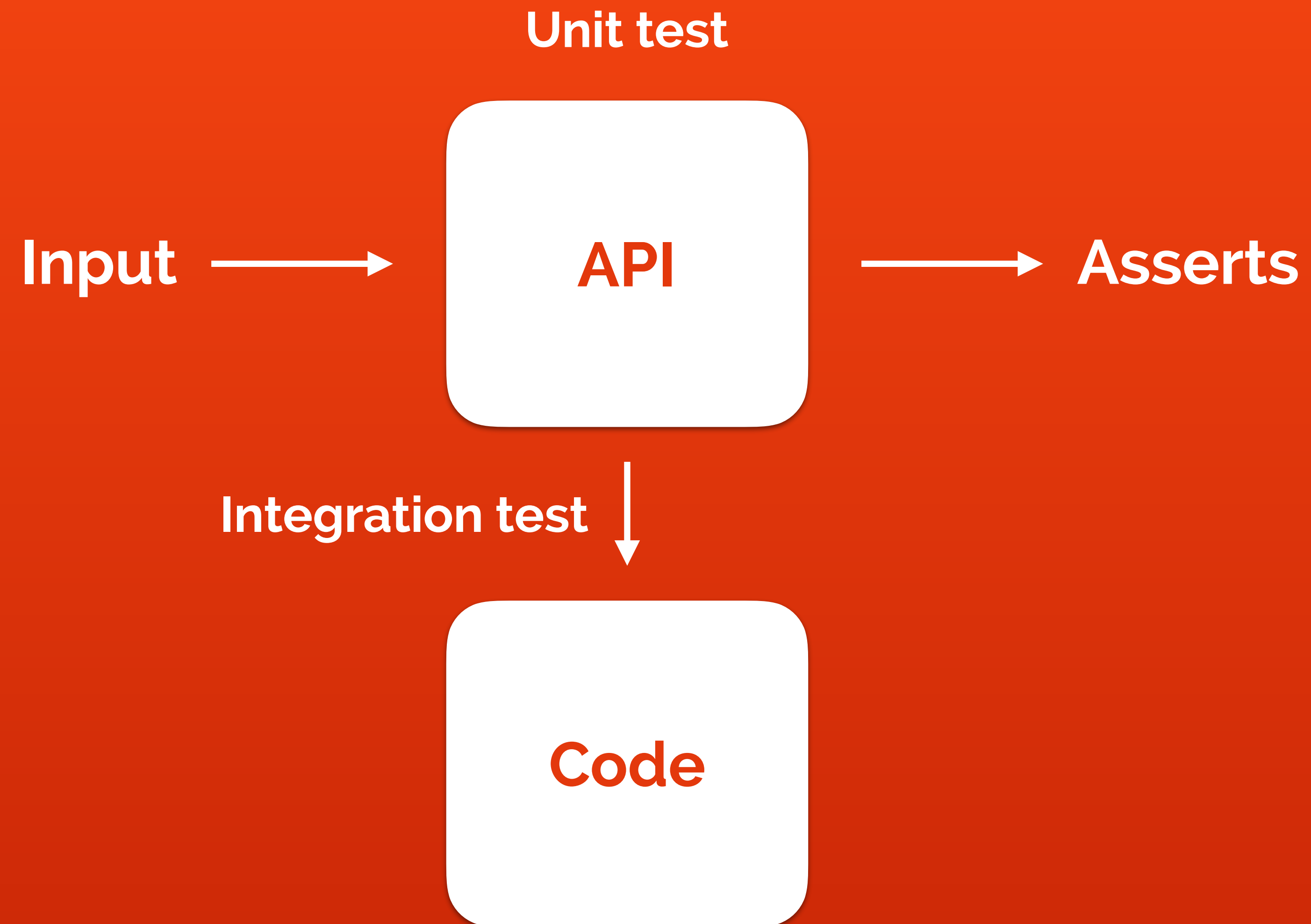
Let's write a test! 



Use access control to create
clear API boundaries

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Use access control to create
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private

fileprivate

internal

public

open

2

Use access control to create
clear API boundaries

```
public class SendMessageViewController: UIViewController {  
→ public var recipients: [User]  
→ public var title: String  
→ public var message: String  
→ public var recipientsPicker: UserPickerView?  
→ public var titleTextField: UITextField?  
→ public var messageTextField: UITextField?  
}
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    private var recipients: [User]  
    private var title: String  
    private var message: String  
    private var recipientsPicker: UIPickerView?  
    private var titleTextField: UITextField?  
    private var messageTextField: UITextField?
```

Single API entry point

```
func update(receipients: [User]? = nil, title: String? = nil, message: String? = nil) {  
    if let receipients = receipients {  
        self.recipients = receipients  
    }  
  
    // Same for title & message  
}  
}
```

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Use access control to create
clear API boundaries



Frameworks

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Use access control to create
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Unit test

Input



Asserts

Integration test



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Use access control to create
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App

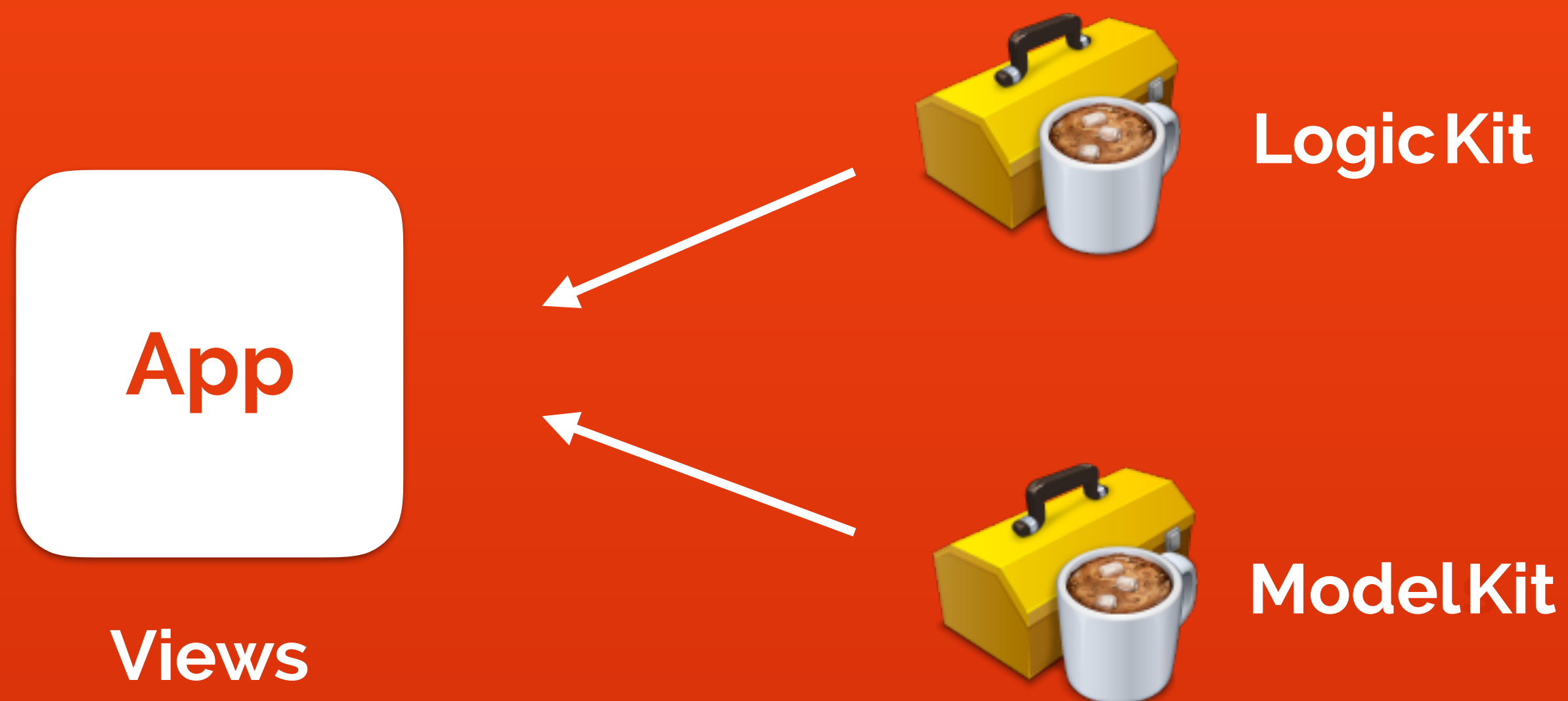
Models

Views

Logic

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Use access control to create
clear API boundaries



```
($ brew install swiftplate)
```


3

Avoid mocks to avoid getting tied down into implementation details

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Mocks are “fake” objects that are used in tests to be able to assert that certain things happen as expected.

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Avoid mocks to avoid getting tied down into implementation details

```
// Objective-C (using OCMockito)
NSBundle *bundle = mock([NSBundle class]);
[given([bundle pathForResource:anything() ofType:anything()]) willReturn:@"path"];

FileLoader *fileLoader = [[FileLoader alloc] initWithBundle:bundle];
XCTAssertNotNil([fileLoader fileName:@"file"]);
```

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```
// Swift (partial mocking)
class MockBundle: Bundle {
    var mockPath: String?

    override func path(forResource name: String?, ofType ext: String?) -> String? {
        return mockPath
    }
}

let bundle = MockBundle()
bundle.mockPath = "path"

let fileLoader = FileLoader(bundle: bundle)
XCTAssertNotNil(fileLoader.file(named: "file"))
```

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```
// Swift (no mocking)
let bundle = Bundle(for: type(of: self))
let fileLoader = FileLoader(bundle: bundle)
XCTAssertNotNil(fileLoader.file(named: "file"))
```

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Avoid mocks to avoid getting tied down into implementation details

```
class ImageLoader {  
    func loadImage(named imageName: String) -> UIImage? {  
        return UIImage(named: imageName)  
    }  
}  
  
class ImageViewController: UIViewController {  
    override func viewWillAppear(_ animated: Bool) {  
        super.viewWillAppear(animated)  
        imageView.image = imageLoader.loadImage(named: imageName)  
    }  
}
```

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```
// Test using mocking
class ImageViewControllerTests: XCTestCase {
    func testImageLoadedOnViewWillAppear() {
        class MockImageLoader: ImageLoader {
            private(set) var loadedImageNames = [String]()

            override func loadImage(named name: String) -> UIImage {
                loadedImageNames.append(name)
                return UIImage()
            }
        }

        let imageLoader = MockImageLoader()
        let vc = ImageViewController(imageLoader: imageLoader)
        vc.imageName = "image"
        vc.viewWillAppear(false)
        XCTAssertEqual(imageLoader.loadedImageNames, ["image"])
    }
}
```

Manually implemented, partial mock

Capture loaded image names

Asserting that an image was loaded by verifying what our mock captured

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```
class ImageLoader {  
    private let preloadedImages: [String : UIImage]
```

```
    init(preloadedImages: [String : UIImage] = [:]) {  
        self.preloadedImages = preloadedImages  
    }
```

← Optionally enable preloaded images to be injected

```
    func loadImage(named imageName: String) -> UIImage? {  
        if let preloadedImage = preloadedImages[imageName] {  
            return preloadedImage  
        }
```

↑
Use preloaded image if any exists

```
        return UIImage(named: imageName)
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```


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```
// Test without mocking
class ImageViewControllerTests: XCTestCase {
    func testImageLoadedOnViewWillAppear() {
        let image = UIImage()
        let imageLoader = ImageLoader(images: ["image" : image])
        let vc = ImageViewController(imageLoader: imageLoader)
        vc.imageName = "image"
        vc.viewWillAppear(false)
        XCTAssertEqual(vc.image, image)
    }
}
```

Inject image



Compare against actually rendered image,
instead of relying on mock capturing

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**However, sometimes you do
need mocks, so let's make it
easy to use them! 👍**

To summarize

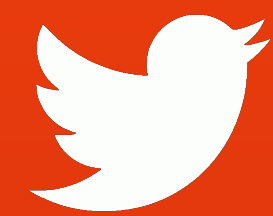
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No tests? 🤯

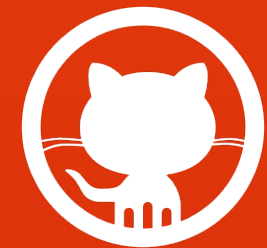
No problem! 😊

Just start somewhere 👍

Set goals for test coverage 🚀



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