Swift Basics

Quiz

What kind of quantities would you represent with an Int?
Walking step count
Number of eggs
Percent complete
Whole numbers

What is the difference between a Float and a Double Double on 64-bit devices are 8 bytes (64 bits) Float on 64-bit devices are 4 bytes (32 bits) Double can hold 15 decimal places Float can hold 5 decimal digits

Number Guessing Game

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How do you create random integer values?

How do you create random double values (Google)?

What does Auto Layout do?

How should you think about Auto Layout and UI design?

Why do you connect app UI to code?

8.1 Lecture - Introduction to the Number Guessing Game

In this lesson you will build a new iPhone app from start to finish. The app will teach you how to design an apps UI (user interface), get user input, and write code to power your app. This lesson will reinforce the Swift Basics concepts with a practical application.

8.2 Tutorial - Design the User Interface in Xcode

Your first goal is to get more comfortable with Xcode and the Storyboard user interface files. Drag labels, text fields, and buttons to create the prototype app UI. Right now it will be non-functional, but you'll fix that in an upcoming step.

Design Your User Interface Top to Bottom

Open your Main.Storyboard file and from the Object Library on the bottom of the right panel in Xcode drag UI elements onto the ViewController canvas:

- 1. Create a title UILabel: Higher or Lower Game
 - 1. Adjust the font to bold and point size
 - 2. Resize the label using Xcode > Editor > Size to Fit Content
 - 1. Keyboard shortcut: Command + =
- 2. Add an input UITextField for the user to type numbers
 - 1. Adjust the font centering
- 3. Add a message UILabel with a starting message: Guess a number
- 4. Add a UIButton named Guess
- 5. Add a UIButton named Reset

Run your app by pressing the Play button in the top left and you should see the start of your iPhone app.

UITextField Keyboard Types

When you first tap on the textField to enter a value, it shows the alphabet keyboard instead of numbers. Change this using the Attributes Inspector on the right panel in Xcode.

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- 1. In Storyboard click on the UITextField
- 2. Change Keyboard Type from Default to Numbers and Punctuation or Number Pad

8.3 Tutorial - Connect the UI to Code With Outlets and Actions

To make your apps responsive and interactive to user input, you need to create a connection between the UI and the code.

How to Make Outlet and Action Connections

- 1. Open the Assistant Editor using the Venn Diagram button in the top right corner (Command + Alt + Enter)
- 2. Right-click and drag from a UI element (i.e.: UIButton) to the code file (two-finger click and drag on a trackpad)
 - 1. Sometimes Xcode displays Manual or nothing (a bug!) in the top jump bar above the code on the right side.
 - 2. If that happens, click on where it says Manual and change it to Automatic
- 3. Type a name for the variable and choose Outlet or Action for the type of connection (see below)

Outlet and Action Connections

- 1. Make Outlet connections for any UI element you want to change or access in code (i.e.: message label and the input text field)
- 2. Make Action connections for any UI element you want to make something happen (i.e.: Guess and Reset buttons)

Create Outlets and Actions Using the Following Names

- 1. Outlet for the UITextField named: textField
- 2. Outlet for the message UILabel named: messageLabel
- 3. Action for the Guess UIButton named: guessButtonPressed
- 4. Action for the Reset UIButton named: resetButtonPressed

Spelling and Capitalization

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Spelling and capitalization are important. You will use camel case for the name, which is common in programming languages for variable and method names. The first letter is lower-case, and every word after is capitalized to make it easy to read.

8.4 Bug Fix - iPhone App Crashes on Start

If your app crashes on start it is most likely because you broke one of your connections that you made between your Storyboard and code file.

This crash can happen if you rename an Outlet or Action connection in your code file, but don't change it in the Storyboard file.

- 1. In the bottom Console panel, scroll to the top of the error message looking for where it says class is not key value coding-compliant for the key: YOUR_VARIABLE_NAME
- 2. Track down the UI element that you gave the name (key) in your Storyboard file
- 3. Right-click on the UI element (i.e.: UILabel or UITextField)
- 4. Click the x button next to the old name
- 5. Reconnect the UI element to your code file
- 6. Run your app again
- 7. Repeat these steps if you have any other crashes

8.5 Tutorial - Auto Layout for Beginners

When you run your iPhone app you will notice that the UI doesn't look the same as you might expect from the Storyboard file. Your center aligned UI elements are not centered in the iPhone app.

When you first design your user interface Xcode will pin your UI elements in place, they don't resize or move based on the size of the iPhone or iPad.

You need to explain to Xcode how to position and size your UI design using Auto Layout. Auto Layout is a rule based system where you specify positions and sizes of every element in your iPhone app's user interface.

Add Auto Layout Constraints in Storyboard

- 1. Open your Main.storyboard file
- 2. Right-click and drag from your UI elements to the canvas view or other UI elements to create new

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layout rules

3. You need to establish size and position for every UI element

How to Think About UI Layout

When you think about app layouts, instead of thinking about exact pixels, you should think in terms of relative sizes and positions. On an iPhone 6S+ your UI will look slightly different than on an iPhone 6S because they have different screen sizes. Auto Layout helps you establish rules that the iPhone can follow so that your UI design will look good on any iPhone size.

Position your labels, buttons, images, and text fields relative to each other or anchored to the center and sides of your iPhone screen.

8.6 Tutorial - Random Numbers and User Input

Your first task is to get user input from the user. In this app you will work with Integer numbers (i.e.: whole numbers) and you will have the iPhone pick a number to guess.

Pick a Random Number Between 1 and 100

1. Create a property to store a random Int called numberToGuess

```
var numberToGuess: Int = 50 // starting value
```

2. Create a method to pick a random number called pickRandomNumber()

```
func pickRandomNumber() {
}
```

3. Call the pickRandomNumber() at the bottom of your viewDidLoad() method

```
override func viewDidLoad() {
    super.viewDidLoad()

    // Pick a number to guess
    pickRandomNumber()
}
```

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- 4. Use the C arc4 uniform(100) function to pick a number between 0 and 99
- 5. Convert the result of the arc4 uniform(100) function to an Int
- 6. Add 1 to the result to shift the range from [0 99] to [1 100]

```
func pickRandomNumber() {
   numberToGuess = Int(arc4random_uniform(100) + 1)
   print("number: \((numberToGuess)") // Only for testing in Xcode, don't cheat!
}
```

User Input From a UITextField

1. In the guessButtonPressed(_:) method you will need to get the text that the user typed

```
@IBAction func guessButtonPressed(sender: AnyObject) {
   if let guess = Int(numberTextField.text!) {
      messageLabel.text = "You guessed: \((guess)\)"
   }
}
```

- 2. Convert the text String into an Int number in order to compare it
- 3. Display the result using your messageLabel

Links

- Random Int values LINK
- Random Double LINK

8.7 Tutorial - App Logic Using Conditional Statements

You now have the plumbing between the user interface and the code setup. You converted the input from the user from a text String to a number that allows you to do less than and greater than equality comparisons. Now you need to write the logic that will decide what to do based on the guessed number versus the current game number.

App Logic - Pseudocode

There are three cases: when the numbers are equal, less than, or greater than each other. For each case you will need to inform the user if they were correct, higher, or lower.

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- 1. If the guess is equal to the numberToGuess the user won!
- 2. If the guess is less than the numberToGuess tell the user their number is too low
- 3. If the guess is higher than the numberToGuess tell the user their number is too high

```
@IBAction func guessButtonPressed(sender: AnyObject) {
   if let guess = Int(numberTextField.text!) {
        // Add your App Logic
        if guess == numberToGuess {
            messageLabel.text = "You won by guessing the number, \(numberToGuess)!"
        } else if guess < numberToGuess{
            messageLabel.text = "My number is higher than \(guess)!"
        } else if guess > numberToGuess {
            messageLabel.text = "\(guess)! Wow, your guess is too high"
        }
    }
}
```

String Interpolation

To provide feedback that makes the app feel responsive you should include the guess from the user in your messages. If you don't, it's unclear to a user if the app has done anything, which means your app could feel broken to a customer.

String interpolation is how you can insert the value of a number or variable inside a text String. Inside the String literal, surround a variable name with () to insert the current value.

```
var guess = 10
print("Your guess is \((guess)")
```

Will display:

```
"Your guess is 10"
```

Custom Messages

Change your messages to the user to make them more playful. Be creative with how you communicate to the user.

8.8 Code Exercise - Reset the Game

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Awesome! Now you can play a full game and test out if your app works correctly. However, after you finish playing a game there is no way to restart. You need to write some code that will reset the game to the beginning state.

- 1. Create a new method called resetNumber()
- 2. Call the resetNumber() method in your resetButtonPressed(:) method
- 3. Pick a new random number ToGuess
- 4. Reset the textField to "50" or some other value
- 5. Reset the message label to the starting message

Try the Code Exercise before you look at the solution.

8.9 Solution - Reset the Game

If you got stuck, follow along and see what you missed.

1. Create a new method called resetNumber()

```
func resetNumber() {
}
```

2. Call the resetNumber() method in your resetButtonPressed(_:) method

```
@IBAction func resetButtonPressed(sender: AnyObject) {
   resetNumber()
}
```

- 3. Pick a new random numberToGuess
- 4. Reset the messageLabel.text to the starting message
- 5. Reset the textField.text to "50" or some other value

```
func resetNumber() {
   pickRandomNumber()
   messageLabel.text = "Guess a number"
   numberTextField.text = "50"
}
```

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8.10 Chapter 1 Quiz

if/else (Day 8 lesson)

Optionals
Optional types
Converting from String to Numbers
Random Integer Numbers
Number guessing game

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