



# BACALLAO PROPERTY- BASED TESTING

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# NETWORKING !

## LET'S INTRODUCE EACH OTHER !

- ➡ Who am I ?
- ➡ What's my main role ?
- ➡ Where do I work ?
- ➡ Free time ?



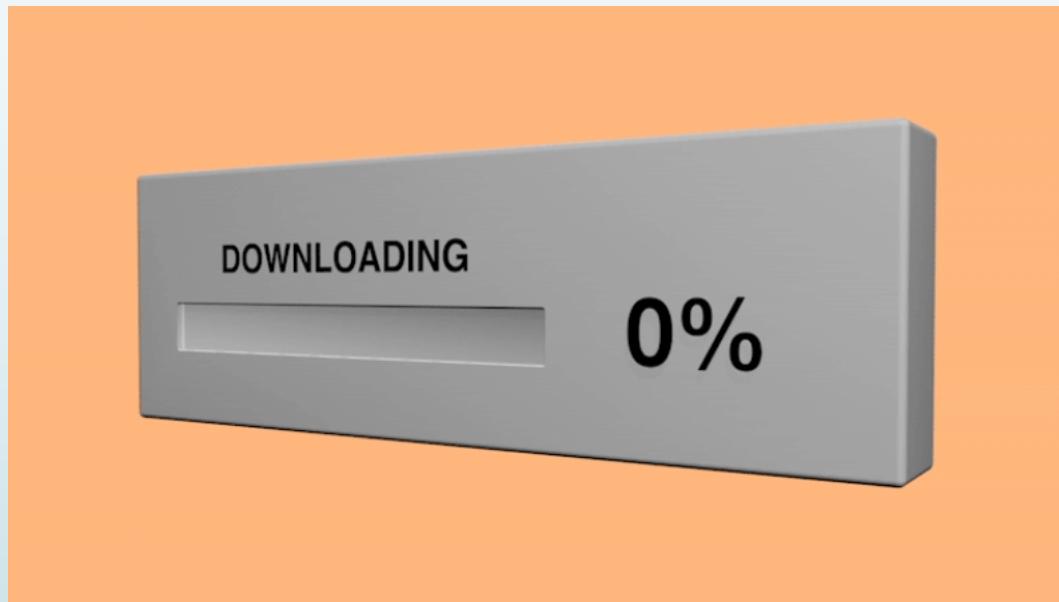
# AGENDA FOR TODAY!



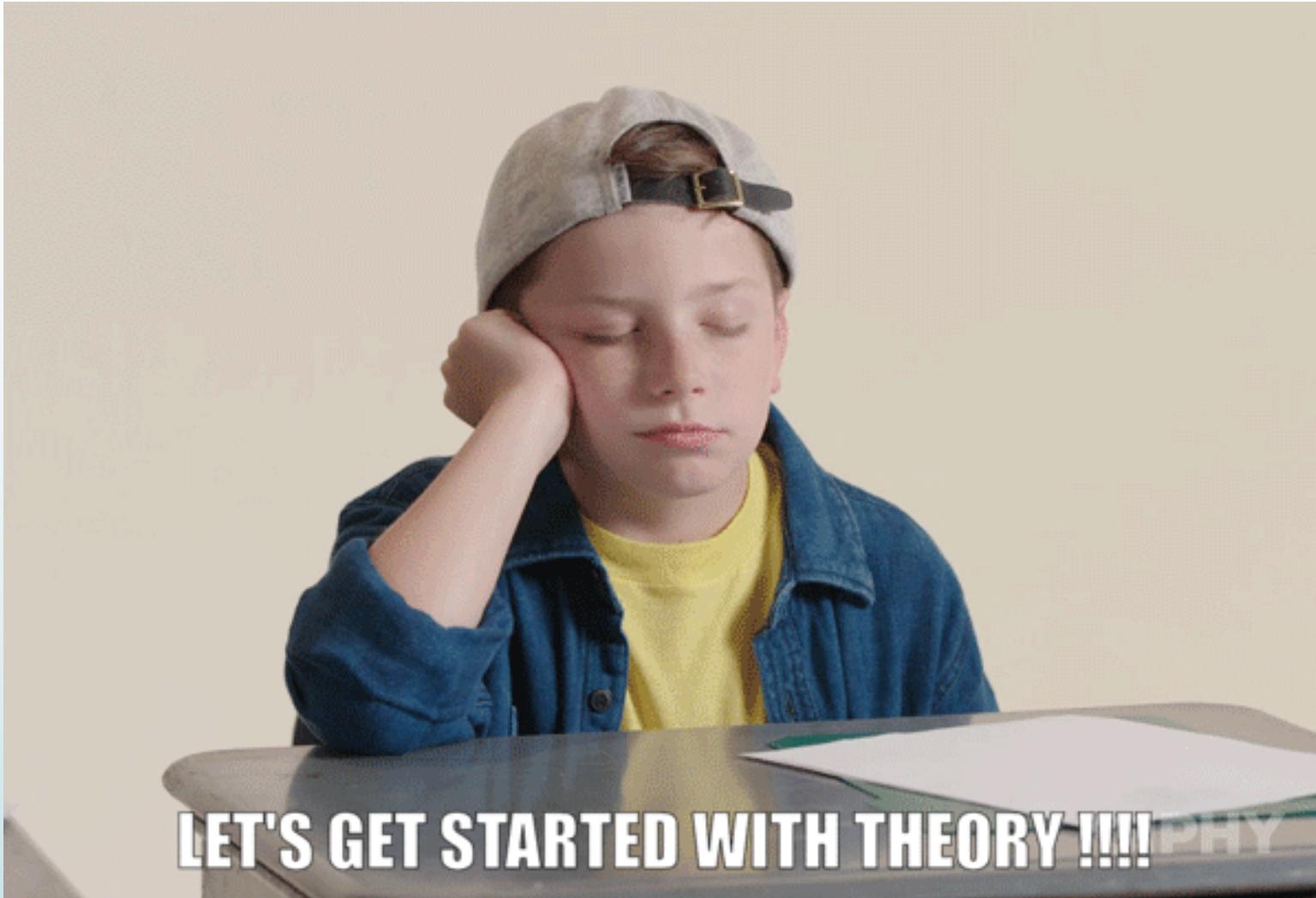
- ▶ A LITTLE BIT OF THEORY
- ▶ SUM PROPERTIES
- ▶ PLAYING WITH SWIFTCHECK
- ▶ REAL PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET
- ▶ QUIZ TIME !!

# FOR NOW ... 1 MINUTE TO CHECKOUT!

[https://github.com/RLRG/SwiftAveiro\\_PropertyBasedTesting.git](https://github.com/RLRG/SwiftAveiro_PropertyBasedTesting.git)



# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING



**LET'S GET STARTED WITH THEORY !!!!**

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# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

WHAT IS IT THEN ?  
WHAT IS THE PURPOSE ?

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

ALSO KNOWN AS  
“GENERATIVE TESTING”

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

- LITTLE EFFORT
- DIFFERENT INPUTS EACH TIME
- IN-DEPTH UNDERSTANDING

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

HOW DO WE PROGRAM THOSE  
BEAUTIFUL TESTS ?

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

WE RELY ON THE PROPERTIES OF A  
SOFTWARE ITEM - SUT.

BUT WHAT'S A PROPERTY THEN ?

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

- A PROPERTY CAN BE SOMETHING LIKE:

*FOR ALL (X, Y, ...)*

*SUCH AS PRECONDITION (X, Y, ...) HOLDS*

*PROPERTY (X, Y, ...) IS TRUE*

- OK... I STILL DON'T GET IT ? CAN WE SEE AN EXAMPLE ?

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

## ► EXAMPLE:

*FOR ALL (X, Y, ...)*

*SUCH AS PRECONDITION (X, Y, ...) HOLDS  
PROPERTY (X, Y, ...) IS TRUE*

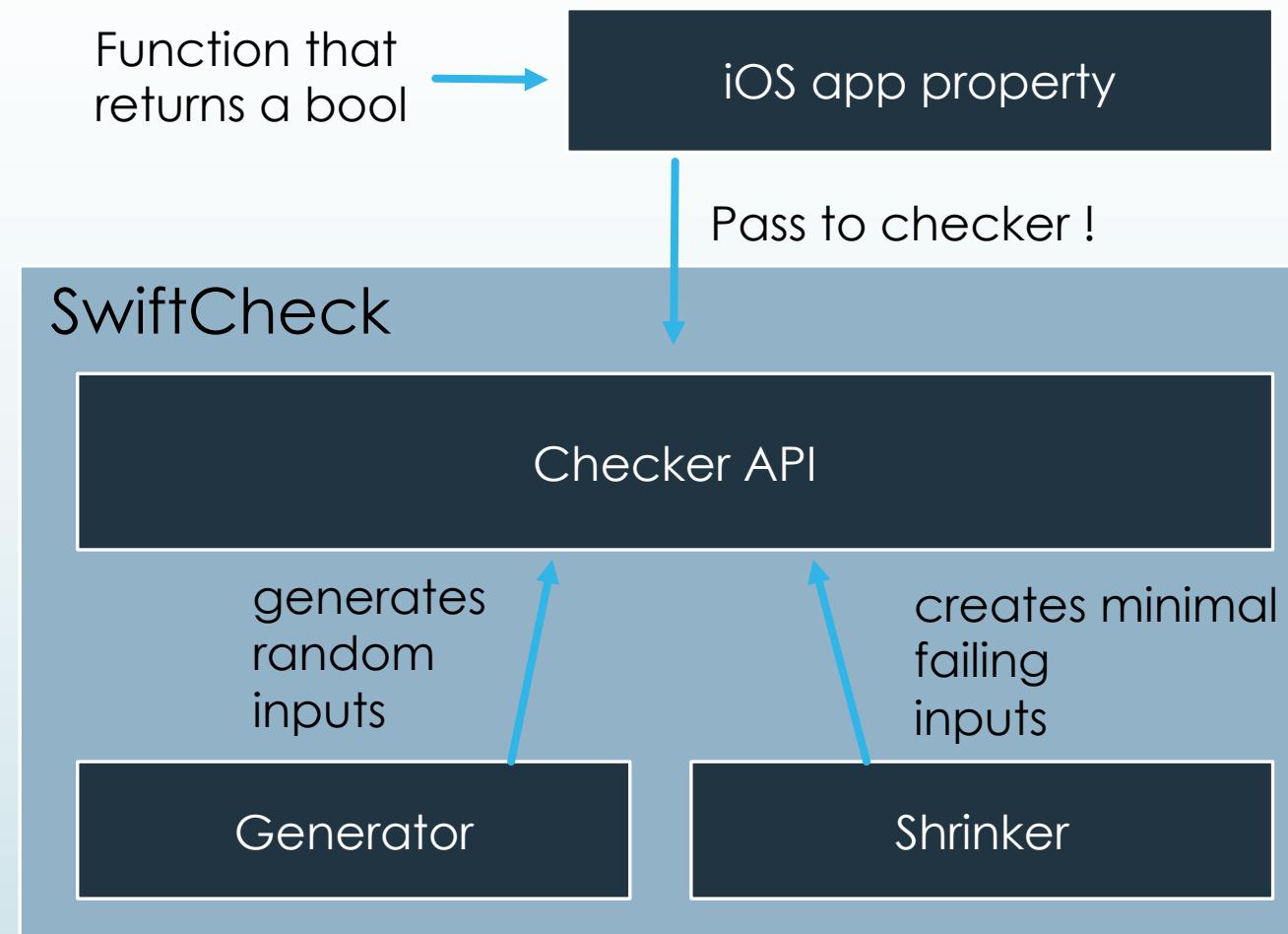
*FOR ALL STRINGS (A, B, C)*

*THE CONCATENATION OF A, B AND C  
HOLDS  
“IT ALWAYS CONTAINS B” IS TRUE*

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING. COMMON PROPERTIES

- ▶ MATH PROPERTIES:
  - ▶ ASSOCIATIVE
  - ▶ COMMUTATIVE
  - ▶ DISTRIBUTIVE
  - ▶ ...
- ▶ `array = array.reversed().reversed()`
- ▶ `array.length = array.sorted().length`
- ▶ Function with two array parameters, the output is a merge of those two arrays.
- ▶ ...

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - SWIFTCHECK



# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - BENEFITS

COVER THE SCOPE OF ALL POSSIBLE  
INPUTS

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - BENEFITS

SHRINK THE INPUT IN CASE OF FAILURE

“xkxcjbddgjhdhj@knfjfnnfkfkfj1o9288383” →  
“xhj@knfjf383” → “hj@kn” → “@”

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - BENEFITS

## REPRODUCIBLE AND REPLAYABLE

```
Proposition: make a test fail in order to see how shrinking works
Falsifiable (after 67 tests):
59
*** Passed 66 tests
.
/Users/lopezror/Desktop/SwiftAveiro_PropertyBasedTesting/SwiftAveiroTheHotelBuffet_SolutionComplete/
    SwiftAveiroTheHotelBuffetTests/2. Properties Exercises/PropertiesExercises.swift:38: error:
        -[SwiftAveiroTheHotelBuffetTests.PropertiesExercises testShrinkByMakingATestFail] : failed -
Falsifiable; Replay with 1657277901 8907 and size 66
```



# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - BENEFITS

CUSTOM GENERATORS ARE  
ALLOWED

App with classes: Client, Waiter and Hotel  
We can generate random Clients for a test !



# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING - BENEFITS

FIND DISCREPANCIES  
SPECIFICATION VS IMPLEMENTATION

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

DOES IT REPLACE OTHER TESTING  
TECHNIQUES SUCH AS UNIT  
TESTING ?

# PROPERTY-BASED TESTING

NO.

IT IS AN ADDITIONAL LAYER!

# ENOUGH THEORY MAN !!



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# LET'S PROGRAM TOGETHER !

## ► SUM PROPERTIES

► Commutative property:

$$\rightarrow 4 + 2 = 2 + 4$$

► Associative property:

$$\rightarrow (2 + 3) + 4 = 2 + (3 + 4)$$

► Neutral element:

$$\rightarrow 5 + 0 = 5$$

► Distributive property:

$$\rightarrow 4 * (6 + 3) = (4 * 6) + (4 * 3)$$



# LET'S PLAY WITH SWIFTCHECK !

- ▶ EXERCISE 1:
  - ▶ Add logs to see what is being tested.
- ▶ EXERCISE 2:
  - ▶ Modify default number of executions.
- ▶ EXERCISE 3:
  - ▶ Analyze shrinking: Make a test fail (example: “any INT is < 50”) in order to see in the logs how shrinking works.
- ▶ EXERCISE 4:
  - ▶ Create a custom generator which generate Ints between 25 and 50.

# SOLUTION

FILE:

*SwiftAveiroTheHotelBuffet\_SolutionExercises.dmg*

PASSWORD:

“PropertyBasedTesting”

5-10 MINUTES TO CHECK THE SOLUTION GUYS !!



# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET



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Friends



CHARLIE



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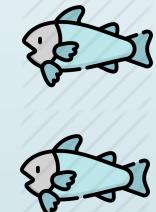
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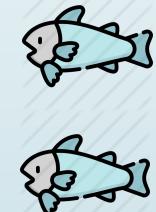
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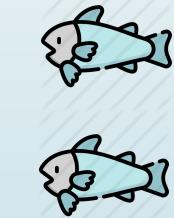
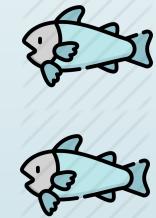
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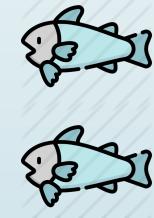
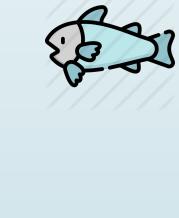
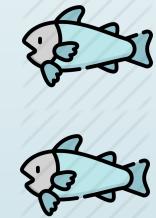
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EMILY



# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET

Waiters



MARTINA



+ 10

# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET

Waiters



MARTINA



+ 10



JACK



+ 20

# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET



LOGIC SUMMARY:

Friend

→ eat X pieces or the remaining ones.

If < 2 pieces of Bacallao  
→ Tell random waiter

Waiter

→ Add X Bacallao pieces

# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET



## OUR OBJECTIVE:

- ClientTests
- WaiterTests
- HotelBuffetTests

## HINT:

- THINK ABOUT THE PROPERTIES EACH CLASS HAS FIRST !!
- Example property for client:
  - “Number of bacallao rations to consume cannot be negative”

# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET

Client / Waiter properties:

- A string name is assigned in initialization phase

```
func testNameIsAssignedToClient() {
    property("A string name is assigned in initialization phase") <- forAll { (name: String) in
        let client = Client(name: name, bacallaoUnitsToEat: self.testBacallaoRationsToEat)
        return client.name == name
    }
}
```

- Number of bacallao rations to consume cannot be negative
- Number of bacallao rations is assigned if is positive or zero

# REAL SIMPLE PROJECT: BACALLAO HOTEL BUFFET

HotelBuffet properties:

- Number of bacallao rations in the buffet at the beginning cannot be negative

```
func testHotelBuffetStartsWithNonNegativeBacallaoRations() {  
    property("Number of bacallao rations to add cannot be negative")  
        <- forAll { (integerToTest: Int) in  
            let hotelBuffet = HotelBuffet(bacallaoRationsInBuffet: integerToTest)  
            return hotelBuffet.bacallaoRationsInBuffet >= 0  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- If one or many clients eat bacallao, the number of bacallao rations left cannot be lower than two
- If  $< 2$  bacalao units → bacalao warning generated
- If  $> 2$  bacalao units → bacalao warning is not generated
- ....

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# SUM UP ! NEXT STEPS

- ▶ PROPERTY-BASED TESTING CAN BE APPLIED FOR REAL USE CASES.
- ▶ REAL USE CASES EXAMPLES:
  - ▶ RETAIL APP - CHECKOUT DIFFERENT PRODUCTS RANDOMLY.
  - ▶ LOGIN WITH USERS WITH DIFFERENT PERMISSIONS TO AN APP RANDOMLY AND TEST ANY SPECIFIC FEATURE.
  - ▶ ...
- ▶ MIXING PROPERTY BASED TESTING
  - ▶ INTEGRATION TESTS
  - ▶ UI TESTS
  - ▶ UNIT TESTS
  - ▶ ...

# KAHOOT TIME !

Download the app!  
or... <https://kahoot.com/>



# SOME USEFUL REFERENCES

- ▶ “The lazy programmer’s guide to writing 1000’s of tests. An introduction to property based testing” <https://es.slideshare.net/ScottWlaschin/an-introduction-to-property-based-testing>
- ▶ John Hughes “Don’t write tests!” [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXnS\\_Xjwk2Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXnS_Xjwk2Y)
- ▶ <https://dev.to/jdsteinhauser/intro-to-property-based-testing-2cj8>
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Feedback is more than welcome ! 😊

<https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/QGCR5JK>