

SD Hacks iOS Workshop Setup Guide

Hey hacker! Thanks for showing interest in this iOS workshop! We're super glad you showed up, and we can't wait to you in person! However, before the workshop actually happens, we'd like to set up some parts of the project beforehand to make everybody's experience as smooth as possible.

We're going to make a Twitter clone using Firebase today! No worries if you don't know what Firebase is; we're going to be going over that extensively at the workshop. However, we are going to have to download some stuff here and there so we can use Firebase.

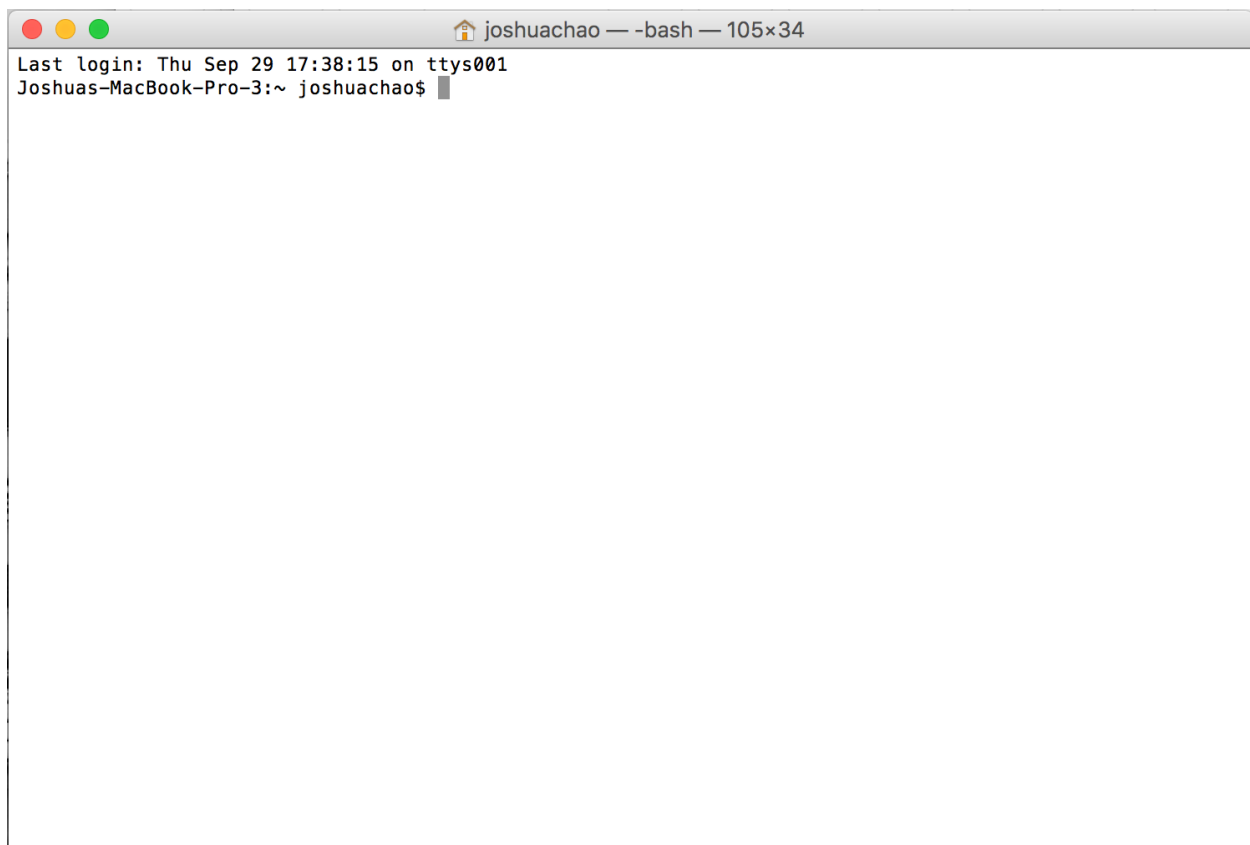
System Requirements

1. **Have a Mac.** Sorry, we're not going to be running over Windows in this workshop. If you DO have a Windows and don't have a Mac, make friends and buddy up with a partner who does! It's called pair programming, and it actually helps you code better, faster, and understand what you're typing more clearly!
2. **Make sure to download XCode!** It doesn't matter if you don't know what XCode is, but you can find XCode on the App Store, by typing "XCode" into the search bar. The icon looks like this:



Make sure to download XCode 8! **If you already have XCode, make sure to update to XCode 8.** This may or may not require you to update your computer OS, and downloading XCode itself might take a while, so sit back, grab a soda, and relax.

3. **Install XCode Developer Tools.** This allows you to do some necessary stuff that normal people don't really need, so just for safety's sake, Apple requires you to install it manually. Open up a Terminal! To open up Terminal, type in Command + Space, type in "Terminal", and then press "Enter". Something like this should pop up:

A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window. The title bar at the top shows three colored window control buttons (red, yellow, green) on the left, and a home icon followed by the text "joshuachao — -bash — 105x34" on the right. The main content area of the terminal displays the text "Last login: Thu Sep 29 17:38:15 on ttys001" on the first line, and "Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao\$" on the second line, with a small black cursor block at the end of the second line.

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joshuachao — -bash — 105x34
Last login: Thu Sep 29 17:38:15 on ttys001
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao$
```

This might look scary, but don't worry! It actually makes you look really cool, I promise. In the Terminal, type in:

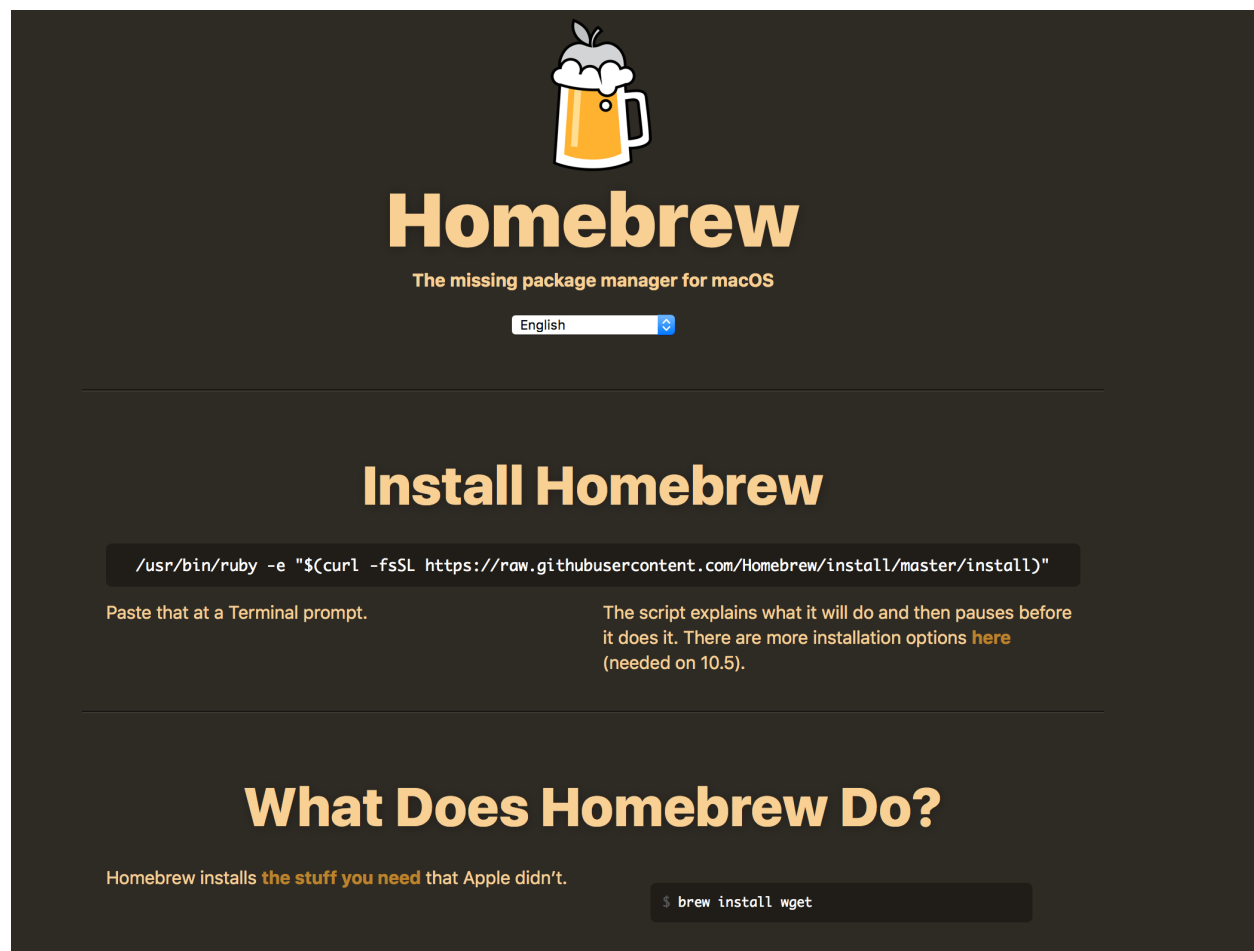
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xcode-select --install
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Follow the instructions to install XCode command line tools.

4. **Time to download Homebrew!** Homebrew is a really handy dandy package manager for Mac, but again, it's totally okay if you don't know what any of those words mean. Go ahead and visit this website:

<http://brew.sh/index.html>

It should look something like this:



The screenshot shows the Homebrew website with a dark background. At the top is the Homebrew logo, which is a yellow beer mug with a green apple on top. Below the logo is the word "Homebrew" in a large, bold, yellow font, followed by the tagline "The missing package manager for macOS" in a smaller, white font. There is a language selector dropdown menu set to "English". Below this is a horizontal line, followed by the heading "Install Homebrew" in a large, bold, yellow font. Underneath is a code block containing the installation command: `/usr/bin/ruby -e "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install)"`. To the left of the code block is the text "Paste that at a Terminal prompt." and to the right is the text "The script explains what it will do and then pauses before it does it. There are more installation options [here](#) (needed on 10.5)." Below this is another horizontal line, followed by the heading "What Does Homebrew Do?" in a large, bold, yellow font. At the bottom, it says "Homebrew installs **the stuff you need** that Apple didn't." and there is a code block showing the command `$ brew install wget`.

Now, copy the long line Homebrew kindly tells you to copy, and paste it into your Terminal. Press "Enter". Now, follow the steps that pop up on the Terminal in order to install Homebrew. **If you already have Homebrew installed, go ahead and type:**

```
brew update
```

If you can't remember whether or not you've already installed Homebrew, type the above line anyways; Homebrew will tell you whether or not you've installed Homebrew before. Nifty, huh?

5. We're now gonna use Homebrew to **install and upgrade Ruby!** Ruby is a really handy language that can talk to websites really well. In a later step, we're going to install Cocoapods, and that runs on top of Ruby. Again, you don't need to know any of this stuff. Back in the Terminal, type in:

```
brew install ruby
```

Press "Enter". Most likely, your cursor will move to the next line and do absolutely nothing. **Don't type anything into the Terminal at this point.** Terminal does this frustrating thing where it won't tell you if it's running anything or not, but trust me, it's running. After a while, a whole bunch of text will pop up on the screen, showing the download process of installing Ruby.

After all that finishes, go ahead and type in:

```
brew upgrade ruby
```

Once again, Terminal will “hang”, but don’t freak out! Homebrew’s just doing it’s stuff.

6. We’re now going to use Ruby to **download Cocoapods**! Cocoapods is an iOS dependency manager. Don’t worry if you don’t know what that means. All it does is allow your iOS app to use Firebase properly. The Cocoapods website can be found at: <https://cocoapods.org>

Go ahead and type in:

```
sudo gem install cocoapods
```

into the Terminal, and press “Enter”. Again, Terminal will pause and pretend to do nothing, but just kick back and chill with your fellow hackers.

At this point, Terminal will ask you to type in your password. When you do, **nothing will pop up on the screen**. This is Terminal’s way of maintaining password secrecy. You’re just going to have a leap of faith, type in your password through muscle memory, and press “Enter” when you’re done. If you get lost, just press Backspace a bunch of times until you’re sure everything that you’ve typed is cleared.

Once Cocoapods has finished installing, you can verify everything is good by typing in:

```
pod
```

```
joshuachao — -bash — 119x43

==> Summary
/usr/local/Cellar/ruby/2.3.1_1: 1,261 files, 18.9M
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao$ brew update ruby
Error: This command updates brew itself, and does not take formula names.
Use 'brew upgrade <formula>'.
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao$ brew upgrade ruby
Error: ruby 2.3.1_1 already installed
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao$ pod
Usage:

$ pod COMMAND

CocoaPods, the Cocoa library package manager.

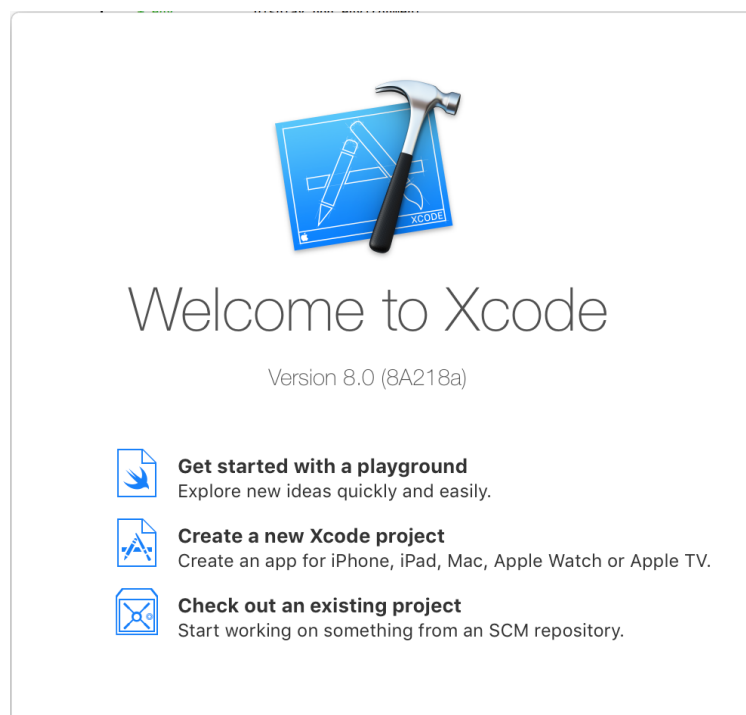
Commands:

+ cache      Manipulate the CocoaPods cache
+ deintegrate Deintegrate CocoaPods from your project
+ env        Display pod environment
+ init       Generate a Podfile for the current directory
+ install    Install project dependencies according to versions from a
             Podfile.lock
+ ipc        Inter-process communication
+ lib        Develop pods
+ list       List pods
+ outdated   Show outdated project dependencies
+ plugins    Show available CocoaPods plugins
+ repo       Manage spec-repositories
+ search     Search for pods
+ setup      Setup the CocoaPods environment
+ spec       Manage pod specs
+ trunk      Interact with the CocoaPods API (e.g. publishing new specs)
+ try        Try a Pod!
+ update     Update outdated project dependencies and create new Podfile.lock

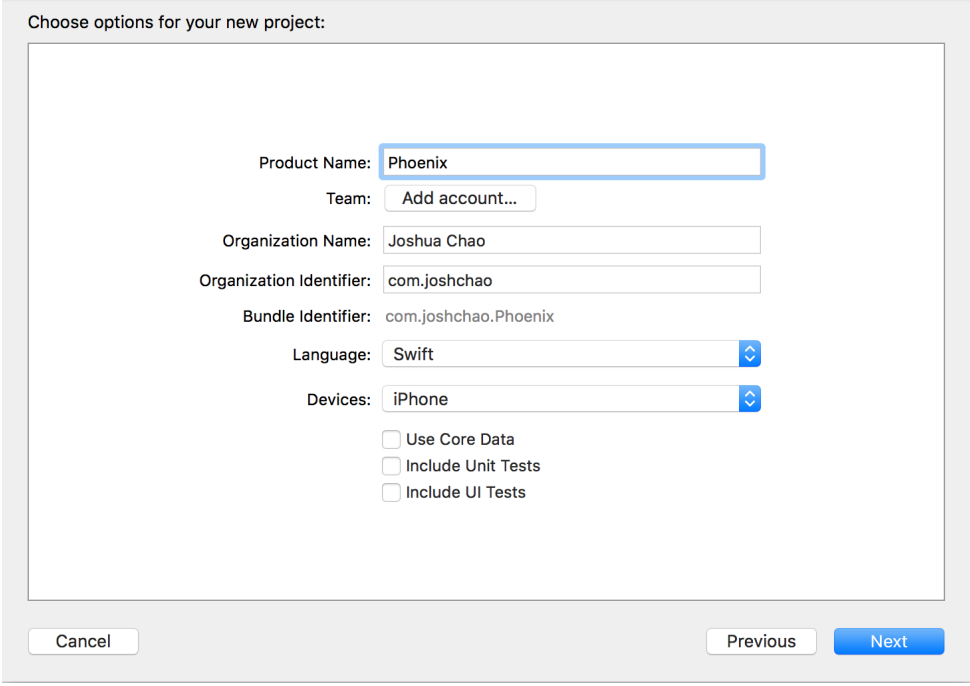
Options:

--silent      Show nothing
--version     Show the version of the tool
--verbose     Show more debugging information
--no-ansi     Show output without ANSI codes
--help        Show help banner of specified command
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:~ joshuachao$
```

7. Let's go ahead and set up our project! Go ahead and open up XCode, and something like this should pop up:



8. Click on **"Create a new XCode Project"**, select **"Single View Application"**, and for the product name, type in "Phoenix" (Twitter = bird, Firebase = flame, bird + flame = phoenix lol). For the organization name, put in your own name, and for the organization identifier, type something that can be completely unique. Convention states you start with "com." + unique tag name you're comfortable with. It can be your Github username, your gamer tag, whatever you'd like! Choose **"Swift"** as your language, choose "iPhone" as your device, and completely uncheck the three options (Core Data, Unit Tests, and UI Tests). When you're done, it should look something like this:



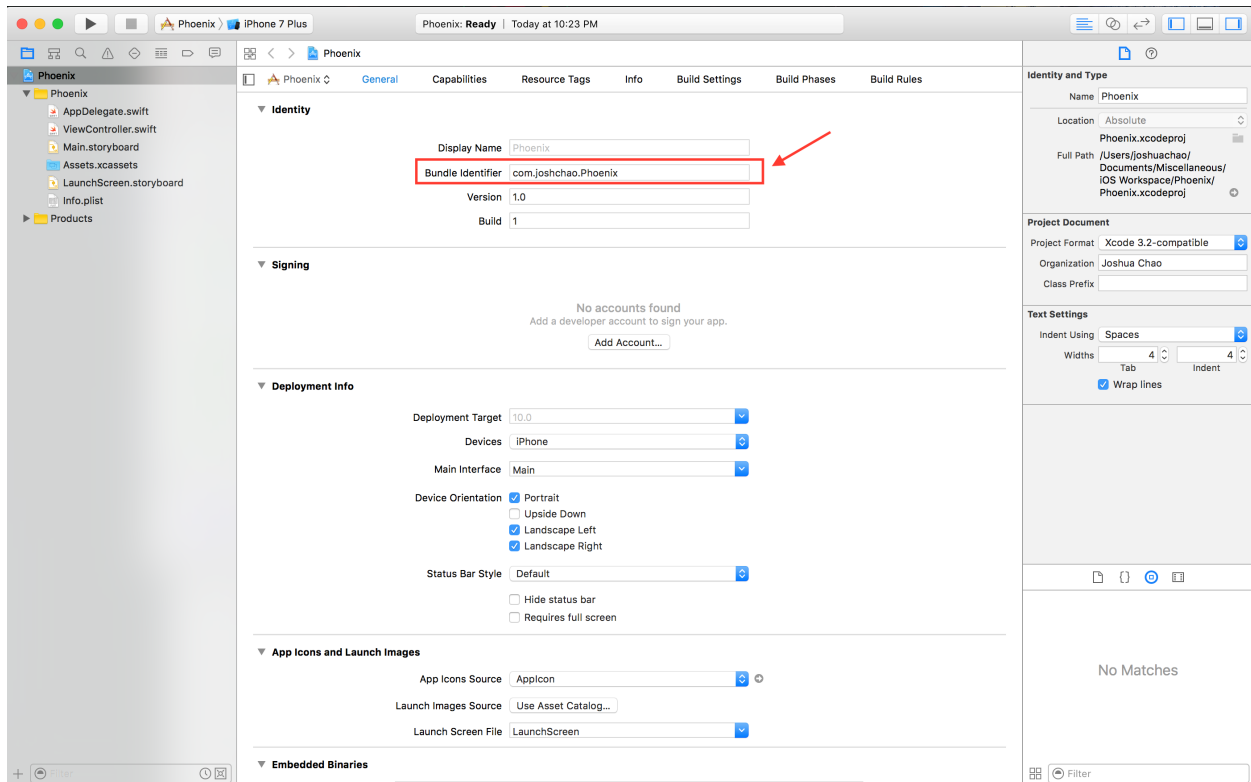
The screenshot shows the 'Choose options for your new project' dialog box in Xcode. The fields are filled as follows:

- Product Name: Phoenix
- Team: Add account...
- Organization Name: Joshua Chao
- Organization Identifier: com.joshchao
- Bundle Identifier: com.joshchao.Phoenix
- Language: Swift
- Devices: iPhone
- Use Core Data: ☐
- Include Unit Tests: ☐
- Include UI Tests: ☐

At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Previous', and 'Next'.

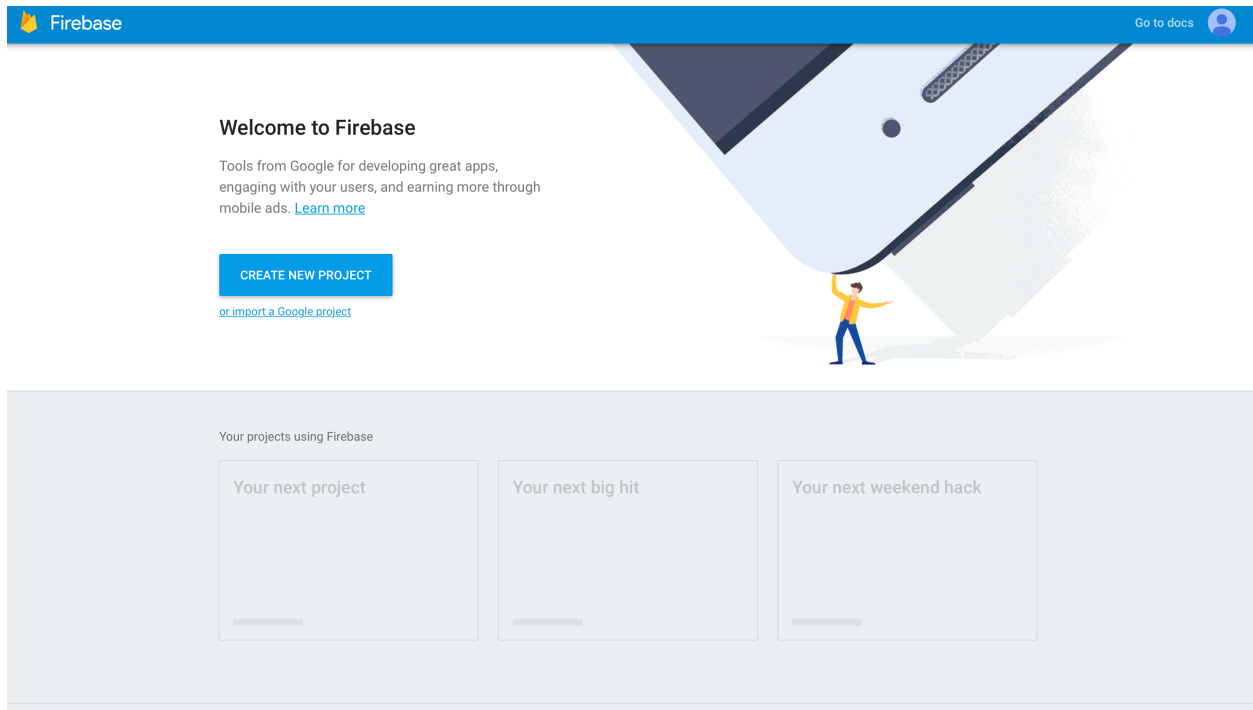
9. Save your project wherever you'd like, but make sure you can find it later!

When you're all finished, XCode should open something like this!



At this point in time, make sure to **copy** the *bundle identifier* of your program (see above).

10. Time for some fun stuff now (not that I'm saying what we've been doing earlier hasn't been fun)! Go to firebase.google.com, click on "Go to Console in the top right link", and log into your Google account. Click on "Create a New Project" in the resulting page.

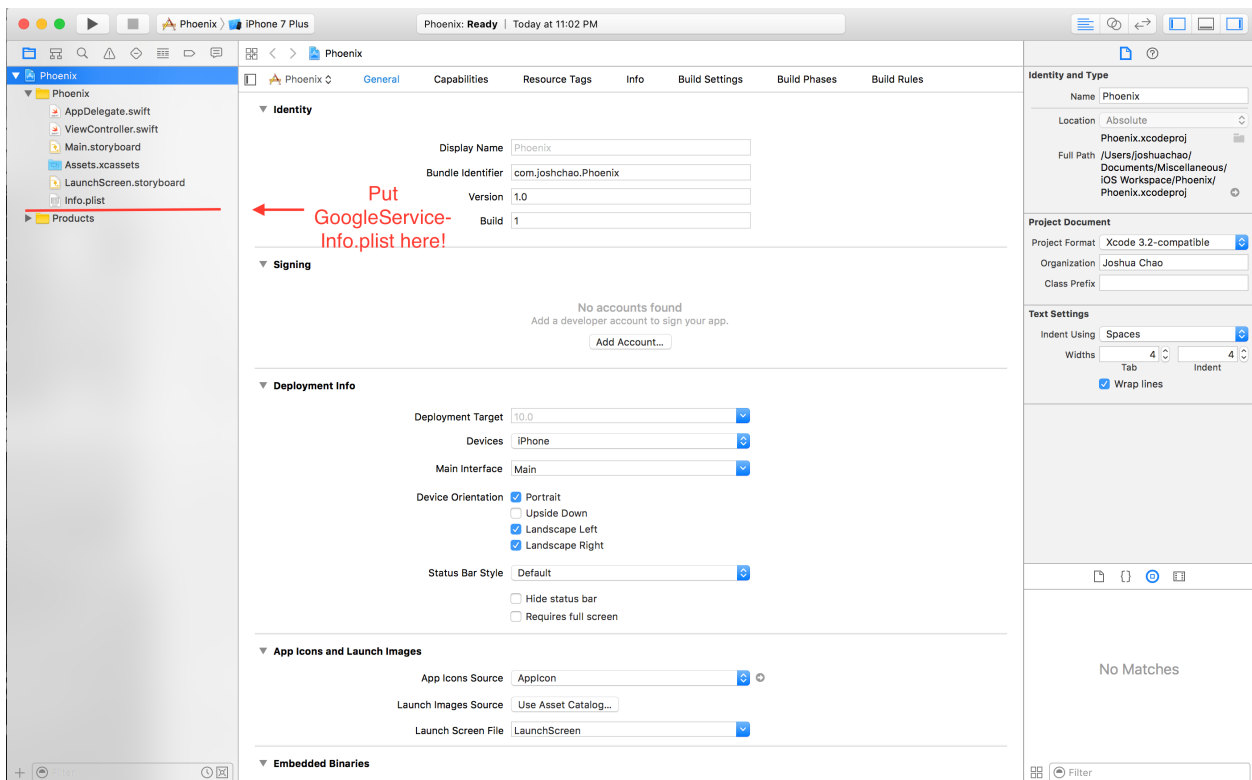


Follow the step and input "Phoenix" as the project name.

11. Click on "Add Firebase to your iOS App". Now, in the resulting section, in the *iOS Bundle ID*, **paste the bundle identifier that you copied earlier**.

The image shows a dialog box titled 'Add Firebase to your iOS app'. It has a progress bar at the top with four steps: 'Enter app details' (selected), 'Copy config file', 'Install pod', and 'Add initialization code'. Below the progress bar, there are two input fields. The first is labeled 'iOS bundle ID' and contains the text 'com.joshchao.Phoenix'. The second is labeled 'App Store ID (optional)' and contains the text '123456789'. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'CANCEL' and 'ADD APP'. Below the 'ADD APP' button, there is a link that says 'downloads GoogleService-Info.plist for your app'.

12. Click on “Add App”, and an instant download called **GoogleService-Info.plist** should be slapped into your Downloads folder. Now, go back to your XCode. **Drag GoogleServiceInfo.plist from your Downloads folder right underneath “Info.plist”** (a blue bar should pop up where you want it to be).



13. Now, go back into your Terminal, and we’re gonna learn some really basic Unix commands! For those of you who already know how to navigate around Terminal, go ahead and navigate your way into where you saved your XCode project.

You're only gonna to learn three commands to become a Unix navigation god: **cd**, **ls**, and **pwd**. Your terminal can essentially be viewed as a text-based file-finder. Just like in the Apple Finder, where you can click on folders and jump in and out of them to view and open your files, you can do the same by typing in words (known as "commands").

cd: This command allows you to actually jump in and out of folders. Use cd in the following way:

```
cd <NAME_OF_THE_FOLDER_YOU_WANT_TO_JUMP_INTO_HERE>
```

Note the space in between the folder name and the "cd" command. A special case of the cd command is "cd .." (Note the space and two dots). This allows you to "jump back", or hit the metaphorical back button to jump back where you came from.)

ls: This allows you to list all the stuff in the folder so that you can see what folders you can jump into or files you can open. When in doubt, always ls!

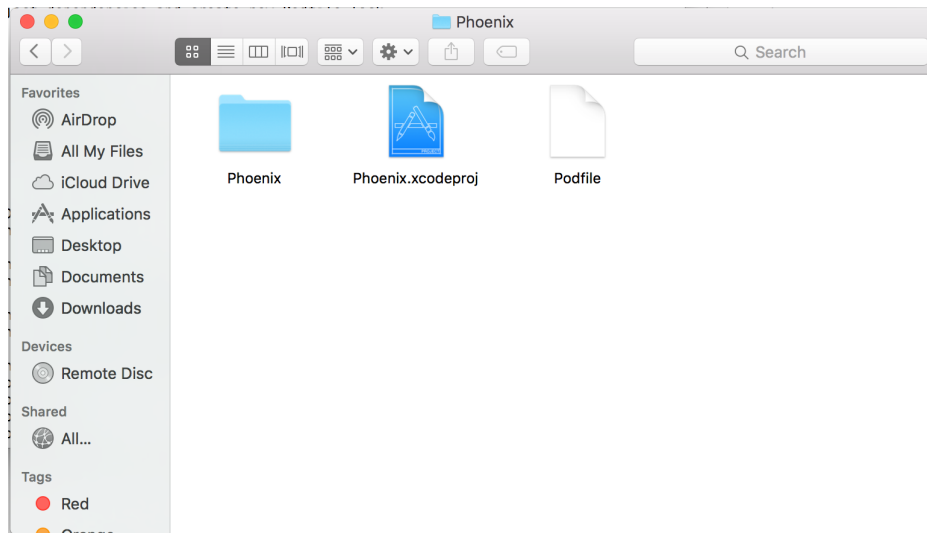
pwd: This will tell you where you are in case you get lost.

You're gonna want to cd and ls until you jump into your Phoenix folder. If you ls, you should see "Phoenix" and "Phoenix.workspace" listed as the options.

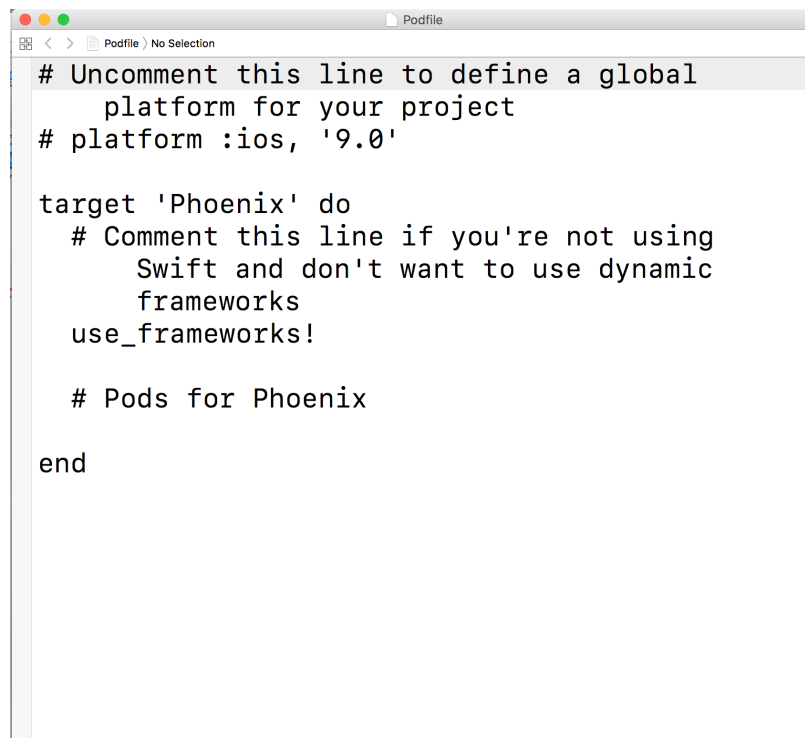
14. Once you've navigated successfully into your project, type in:

```
pod init
```

and press "Enter". If you check your Phoenix folder in your Finder, you'll see that Cocoapods has added something called a "Podfile" in it, like so:



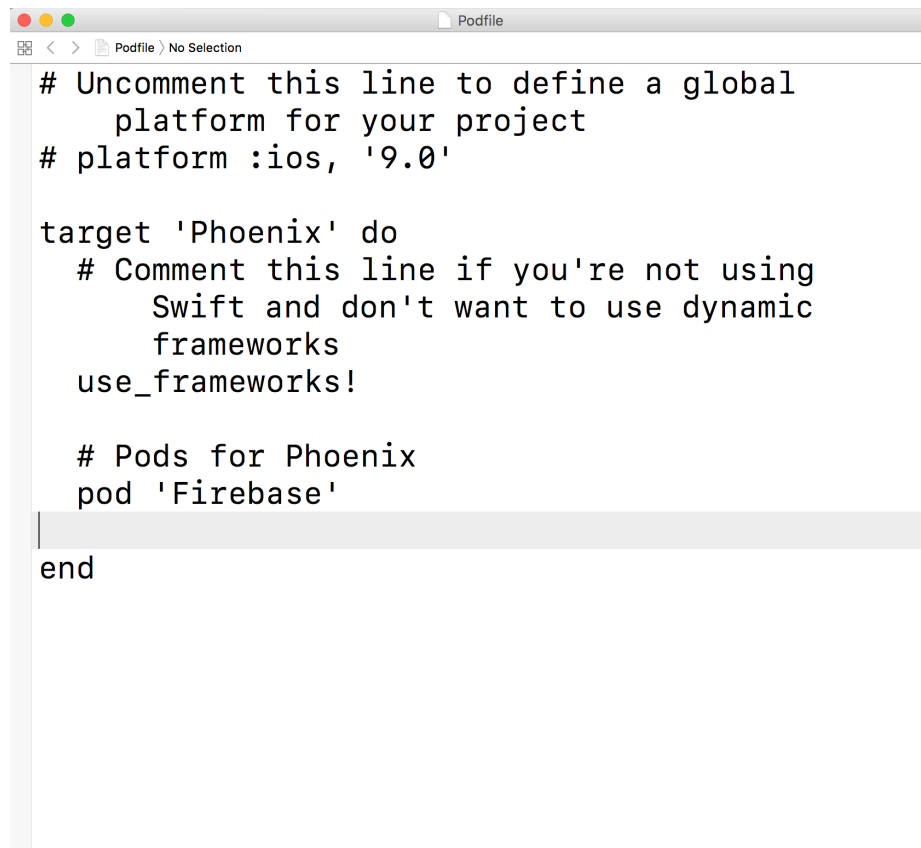
15. Drag and drop the Podfile onto the XCode icon onto your Dock that will most likely be on the bottom of your screen. This should pop up:



16. Underneath the line “# Pods for Phoenix”, type in

```
pod 'Firebase'
```

Your Podfile should look like this:



Please note the single quotes. Please save the Podfile when you are done with this change by pressing Command + S.

17. Back in Terminal, type in the following:

```
pod install
```

This will most likely take a long, long time! Really, sit back and relax, it'll take a long time to load. When it's done, it'll report the following:

```
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:Phoenix joshuachao$ pod install
Analyzing dependencies
Downloading dependencies
Installing Firebase (3.6.0)
Installing FirebaseAnalytics (3.4.2)
Installing FirebaseInstanceID (1.0.8)
Installing GoogleInterchangeUtilities (1.2.1)
Installing GoogleSymbolUtilities (1.1.1)
Installing GoogleUtilities (1.3.1)
Generating Pods project
Integrating client project

[!] Please close any current Xcode sessions and use `Phoenix.xcworkspace` for this project from now on.
Pod installation complete! There is 1 dependency from the Podfile and 6 total pods installed.
Joshuas-MacBook-Pro-3:Phoenix joshuachao$
```

And that's it. You're done!!!! Hopefully that wasn't too bad. If you have any questions, just come over to the Help Desk in the middle of the venue and ask for Josh Chao (he's wearing a Nintendo cap) or Rishi Dhanaraj. We'll be happy to help you out!

