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BUILDING **OBSERVABILITY** IN IOS APPLICATIONS























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App stability

Test cases

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Specific devices























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Specific devices

Different locations All network conditions **RTL** locale

All supported iOS devices All supported iPads All supported macs with Apple Silicon

Different app settings





















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Observability - the ability of a system to provide information about its internal state























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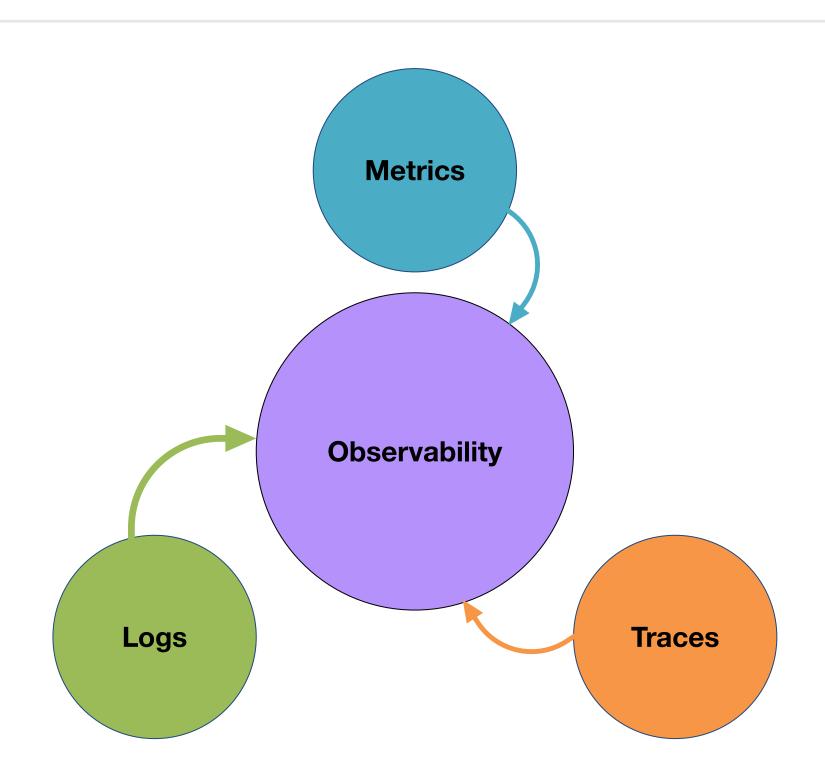
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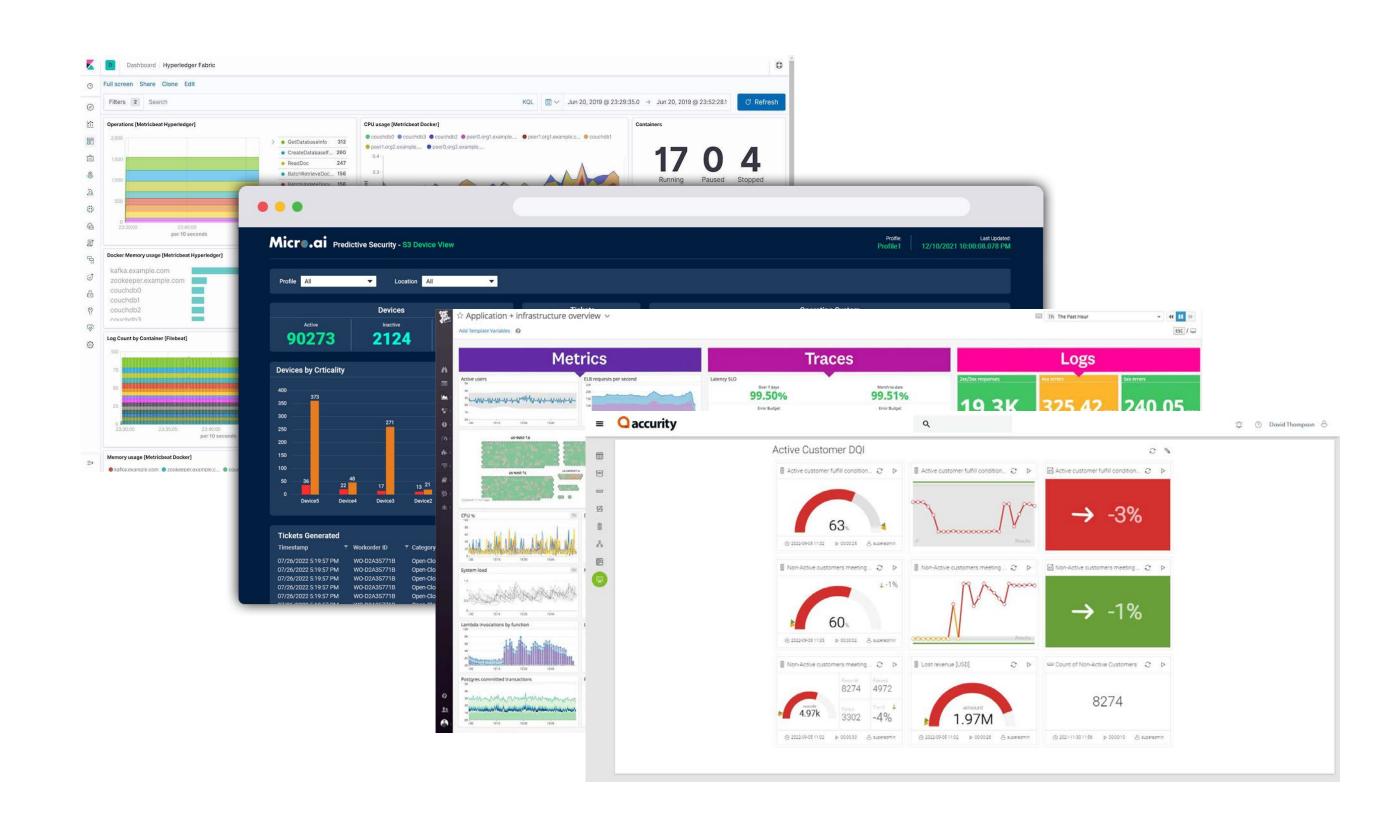
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Observability value

Time spent on acknowledge, investigating, fixing

User experience





















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Observability value

Learn about problem before it becomes critical

Get complete and detailed information























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iOS project

Case

- iOS app without any monitoring, crashlytics, etc.
- New version tested and released
- Team received large number of complaints about possible crashes
- QA can't reproduce issue in their environment





















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Case

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Solution

- Blindly fix issue
- Release new version
- Hope it works























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Solution: connect crash analytics service V

























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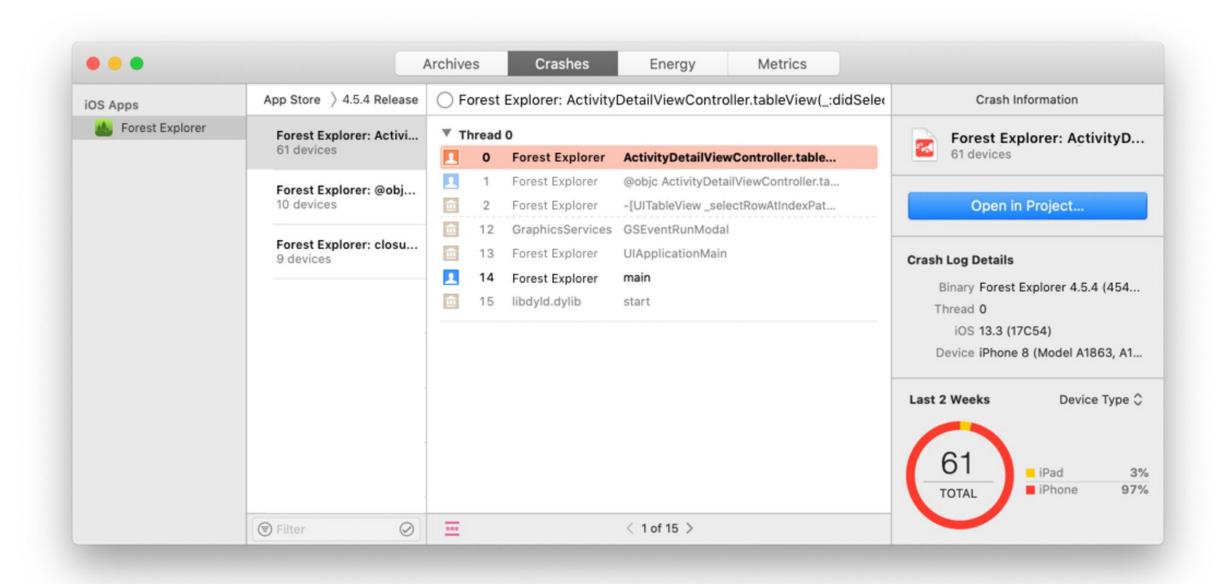
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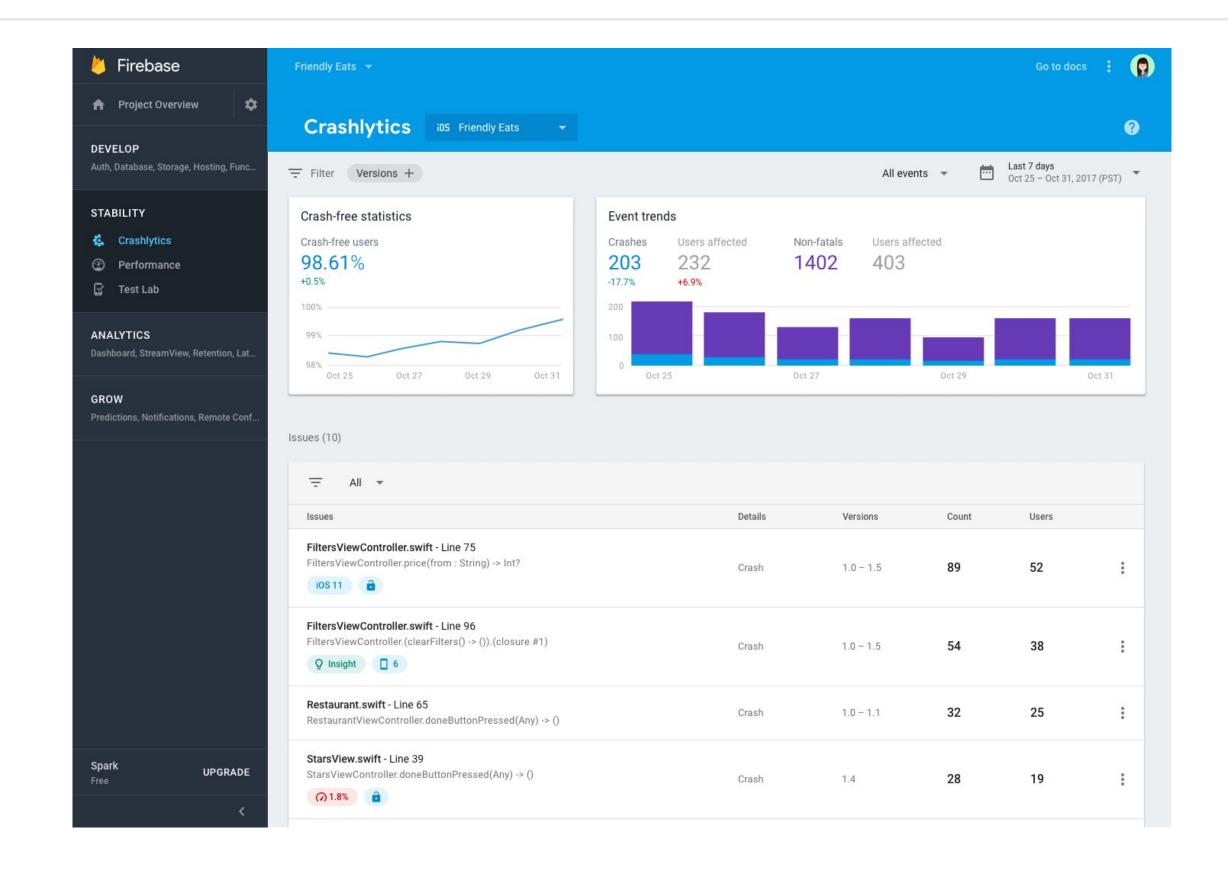
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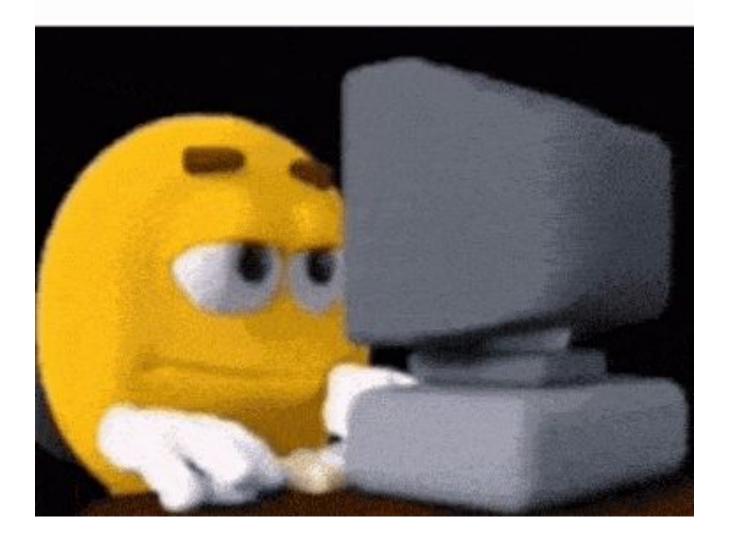
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```
"feature_name": "quick_payments",
"enabled": true,
"payload": null
"feature_name": "contact_list_payment",
"enabled": true,
"payload": {
    "mandatory_string_field_1": "string_value",
    // missing mandatory field 2 here
    "mandatory_string_field_3": "string_value",
    "mandatory_int_field_4": "345" // miscast here, should be a number
```



















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Conditions to be taken into account

Different scenarios

App settings

Different localizations

All network conditions

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Feature flags





















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Flows, features, stories dependent on dynamic changing arguments





















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Flows, features, stories dependent on external systems





















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TIME TO STUDY

























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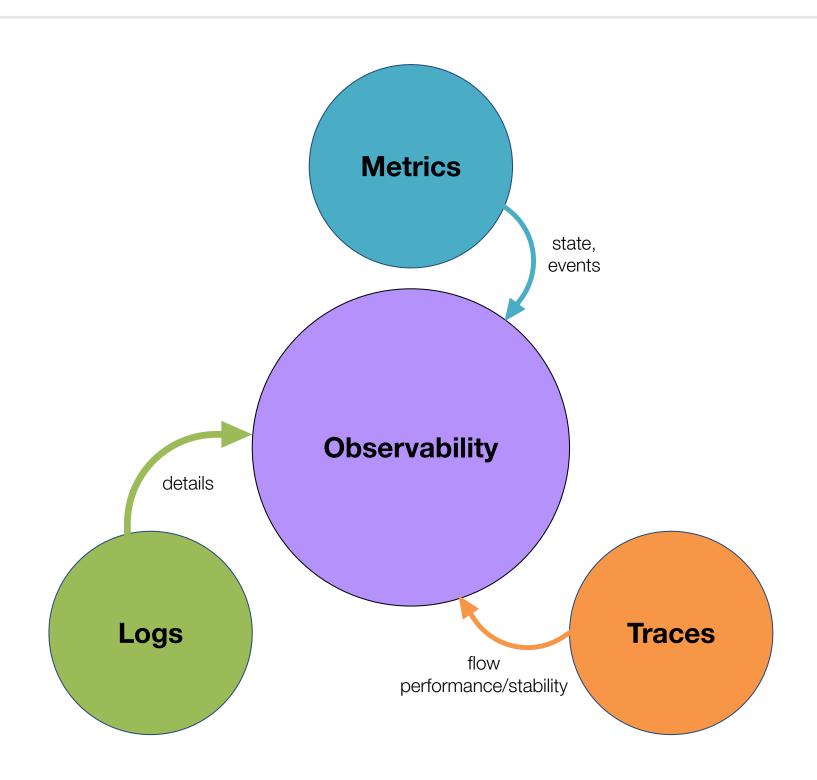
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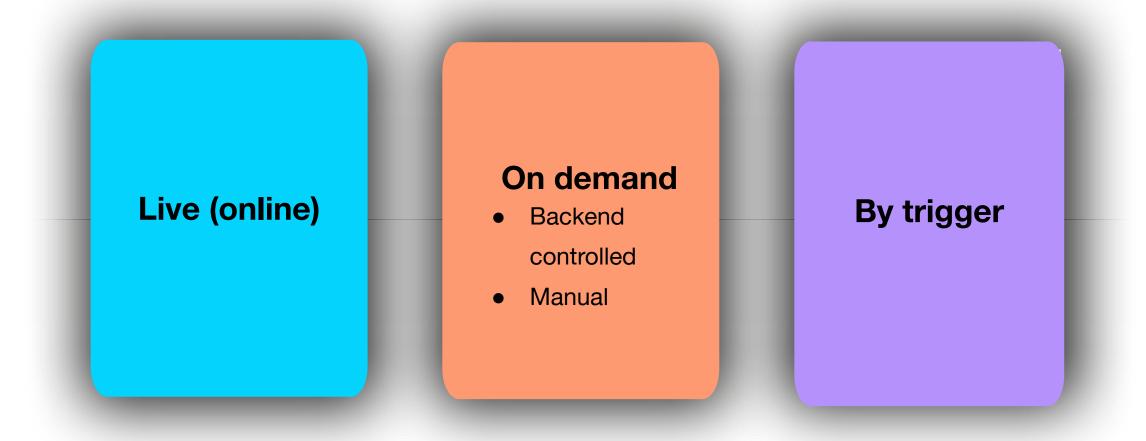
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Logs delivery





















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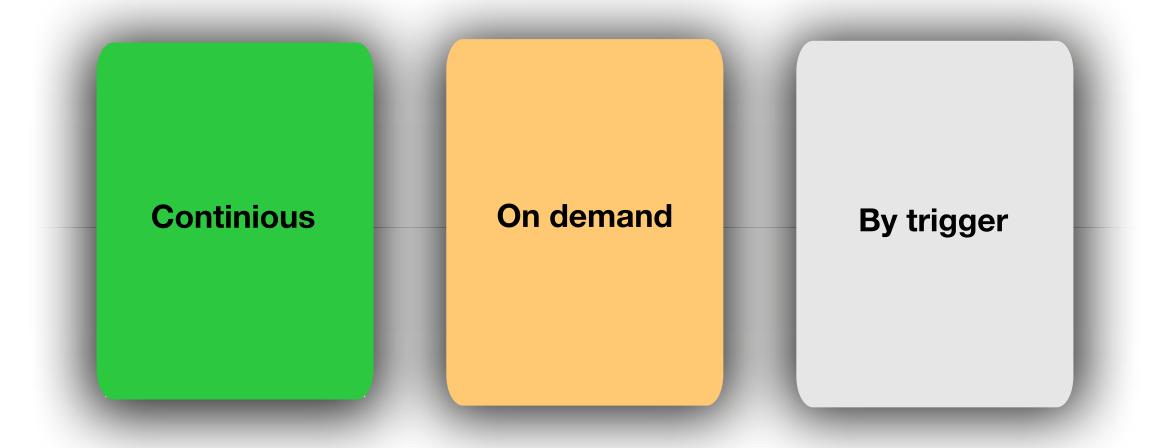
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Continuous logs collecting

- Avoid recording too many logs at once to prevent overloading the disk with read/write operations.
- Implement log file rotation to prevent them from becoming too large.
- Carefully manage logging levels



















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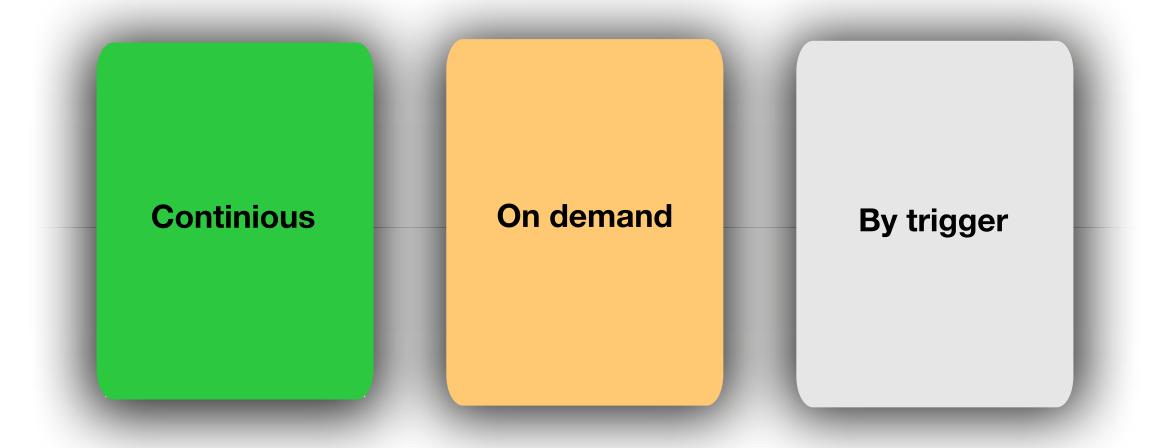
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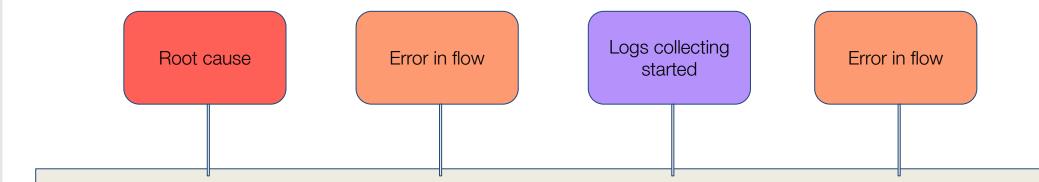
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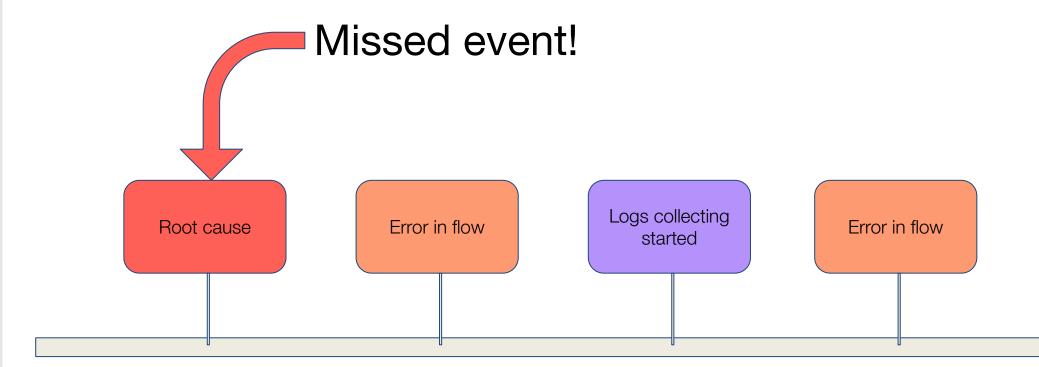
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Combined approach

- Debug
- Info
- Notice
- Warning
- Error
- Critical























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Collect logs in iOS

- OSLog
- Textfile
- Firebase (for starters)





















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Collect logs in iOS with OSLog

- Connect the phone to a computer and view the console.
- Collect a sysdiagnose of the entire device, which takes up to 15 minutes and results in a 200+ MB archive.
- Programmatically from the app, but only for current pld























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Collect logs in iOS to text file

Start with open-source frameworks

Logging libraries

Showing projects tagged as Logging

SwiftyBeaver

★ ▶ 9.5 **♥** 6.9









Convenient & secure logging during development & release in Swift 4 & 5

XCGLogger



function name, filename and line number.



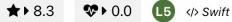


A debug log framework for use in Swift projects. Allows you to log details to the console (and optionally a file), just like you would have with NSLog() or print(), but with additional information, such as the date,

Dotzu







DISCONTINUED. Debbuger tool for iOS developer. Display logs, network request, device informations, crash logs while using the app.

TinyConsole







■ CinvConsole is a micro-console that can help you log and display information inside an iOS

```
// add log destinations. at least one is needed!
let console = ConsoleDestination() // log to Xcode Console
let file = FileDestination() // log to default swiftybeaver.log file
// use custom format and set console output to short time, log level & message
console.format = "$DHH:mm:ss$d $L $M"
// or use this for JSON output: console.format = "$J"
// In Xcode 15, specifying the logging method as .logger to display color, subsystem, and ca
console.logPrintWay = .logger(subsystem: "Main", category: "UI")
// If you prefer not to use the OSLog API, you can use print instead.
// console.logPrintWay = .print
// add the destinations to SwiftyBeaver
log.addDestination(console)
log.addDestination(file)
// Now let's log!
log.verbose("not so important") // prio 1, VERBOSE in silver
log.debug("something to debug") // prio 2, DEBUG in green
log.info("a nice information") // prio 3, INFO in blue
log.warning("oh no, that won't be good") // prio 4, WARNING in yellow
log.error("ouch, an error did occur!") // prio 5, ERROR in red
// log anything!
log.verbose(123)
log.info(-123.45678)
log.warning(Date())
log.error(["I", "like", "logs!"])
log.error(["name": "Mr Beaver", "address": "7 Beaver Lodge"])
// optionally add context to a log message
console.format = "$L: $M $X"
log.debug("age", context: 123) // "DEBUG: age 123"
log.info("my data", context: [1, "a", 2]) // "INFO: my data [1, \"a\", 2]"
```



















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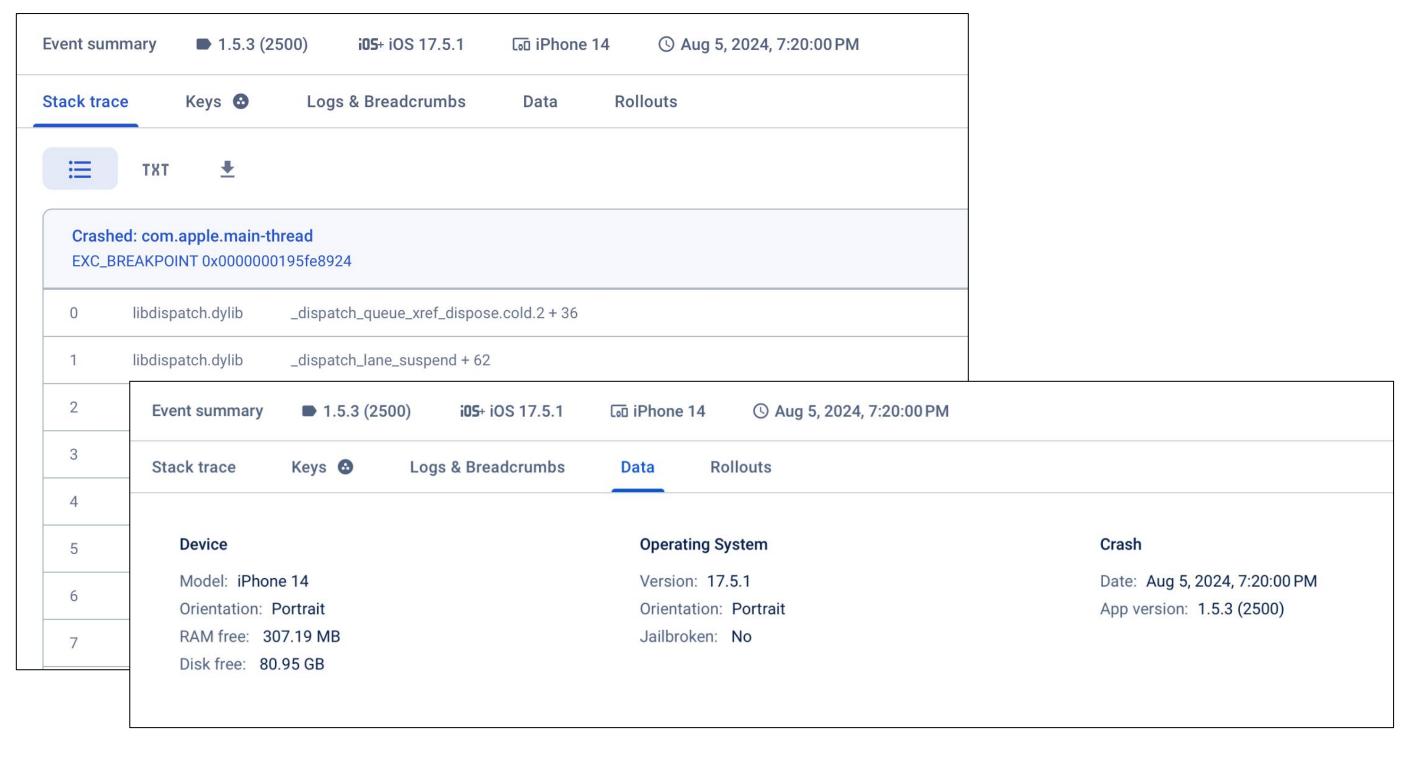
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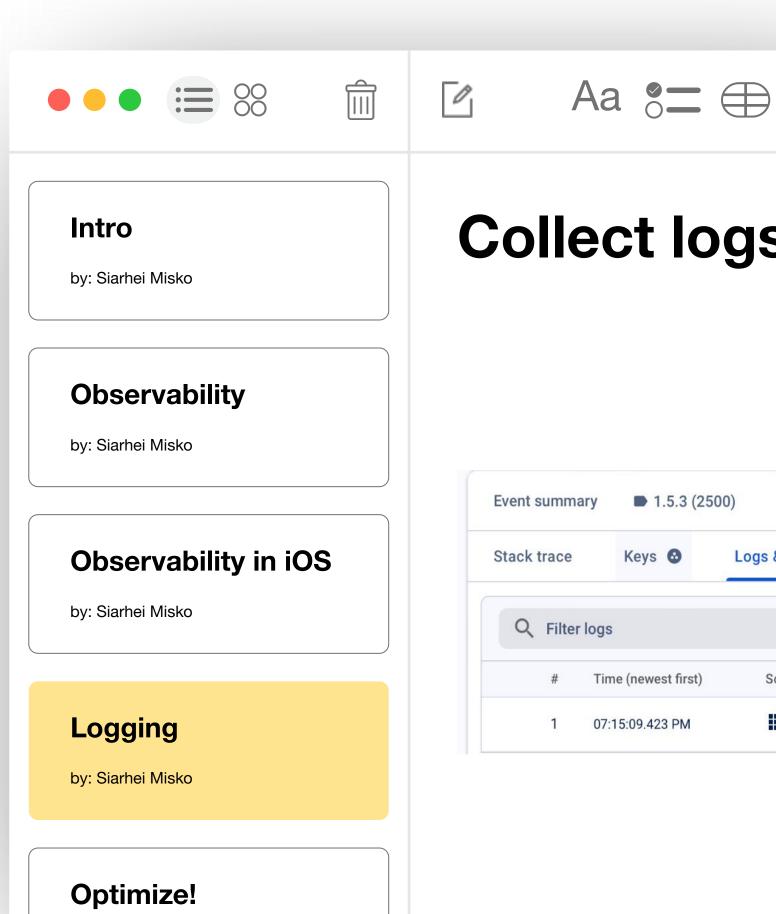
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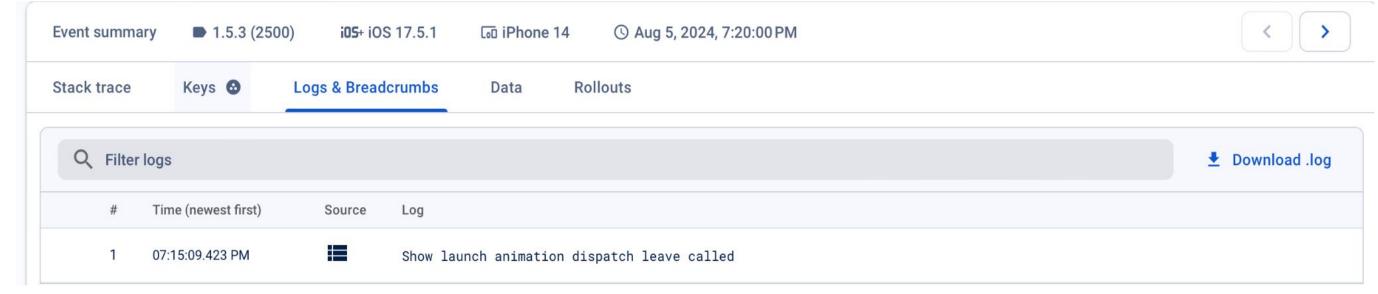
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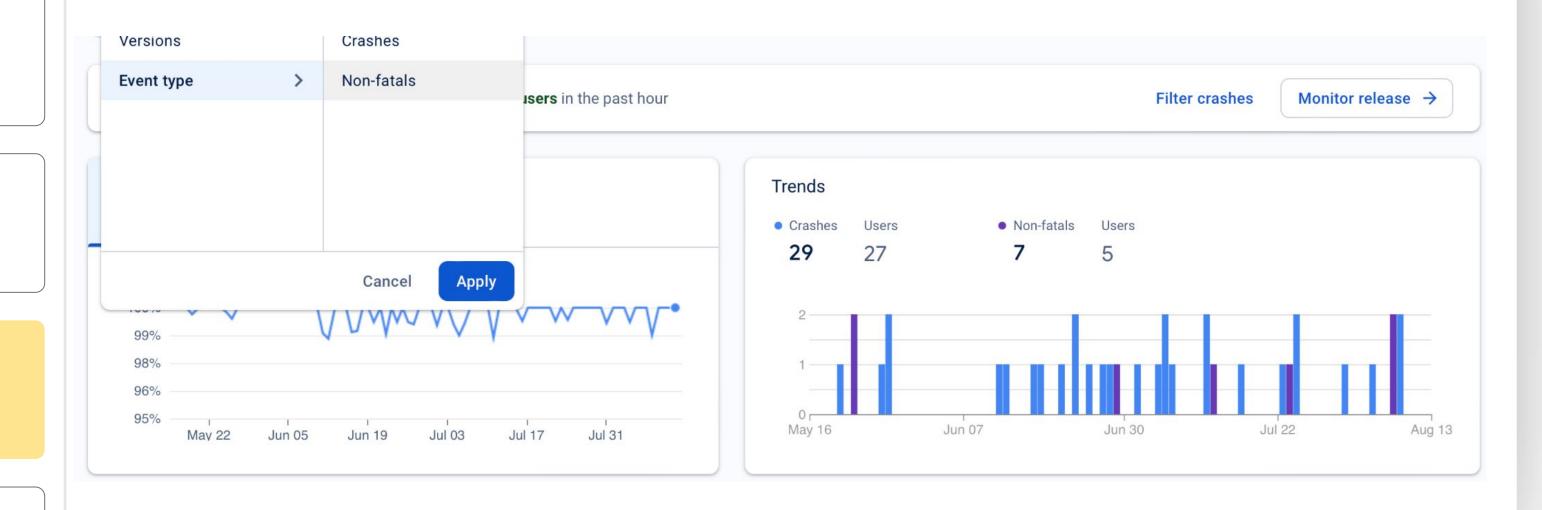
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- Data limit
- No custom queries





















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- Debug very detailed information, mostly for developers during troubleshooting.
- Info general operational messages about the application's progress
- Notice normal but significant events, slightly above Info in importance
- Warning indications of potential issues or risks that aren't yet errors
- Error serious issues that affect functionality but allow the application to continue running
- Critical severe errors causing partial or complete application failure





















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```
10 final class Logger {
11
       static func debug(subdomain: CustomStringConvertible = "",
                         _ msg: String,
13
                         file: String = #file,
                         function: String = #function,
                         line: Int = #line) {
           // some implementation of logger here
17
19 }
   final class ViewController: UIViewController {
22
       override func viewDidLoad() {
23
           super.viewDidLoad()
24
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           #if LOGGING_ENABLED
           Logger.debug("ViewController viewDidLoad")
27
           #endif
29
30
       override func viewWillAppear(_ animated: Bool) {
31
           super.viewWillAppear(animated)
32
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           #endif
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```





















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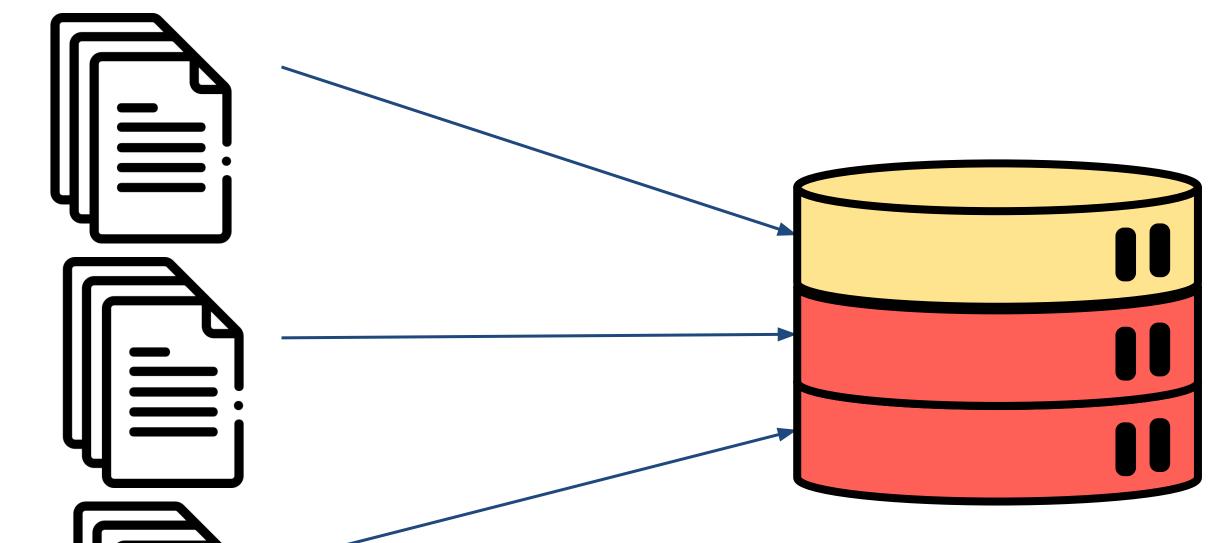
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Logs size























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Send state instead of logs

- What screens viewed
- Which API requests made
- Settings values
- Business logic flags
- Feature flags























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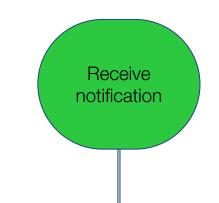
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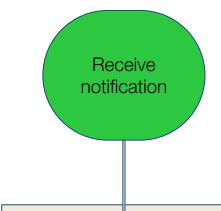
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content/generate more banners





















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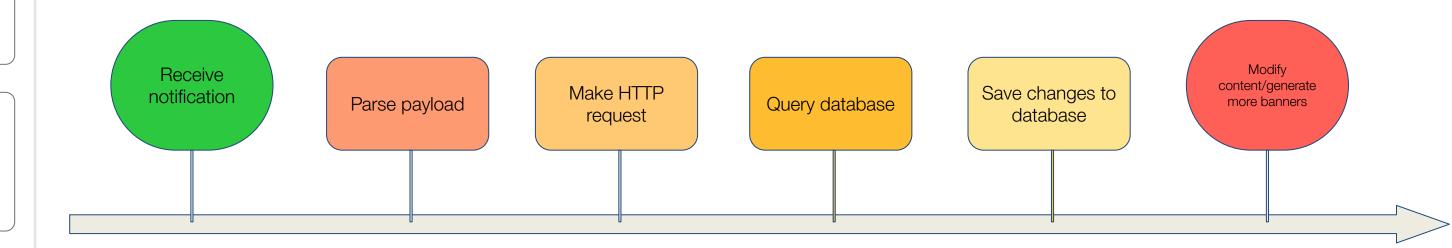
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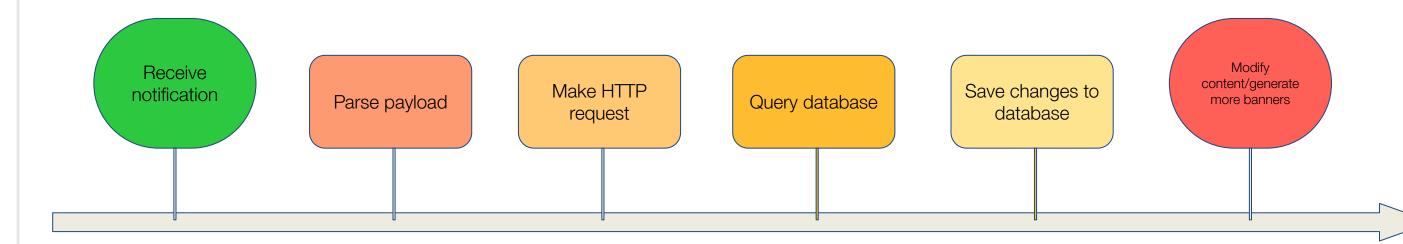
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Notification Service Extension steps

```
struct Tasks: OptionSet {
      let rawValue: Int
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       static let receiveNotification = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 0)</pre>
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 1)
       static let parsePayload
      static let makeHTTPRequest
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 2)
       static let queryDatabase
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 3)
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 4)
       static let saveChangesToDB
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 5)
      static let generateBanners
      static let finish
                                    = Tasks(rawValue: 1 << 6)
```





















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```
func checkPreviousRun(tasks: Tasks) {
       guard tasks.contains(.finish) else {
           report(msg: "previous run not finished, \(tasks)")
           return
       // other checks
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```





















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It's important to follow established patterns

with an emphasis on adhering to SOLID principles





















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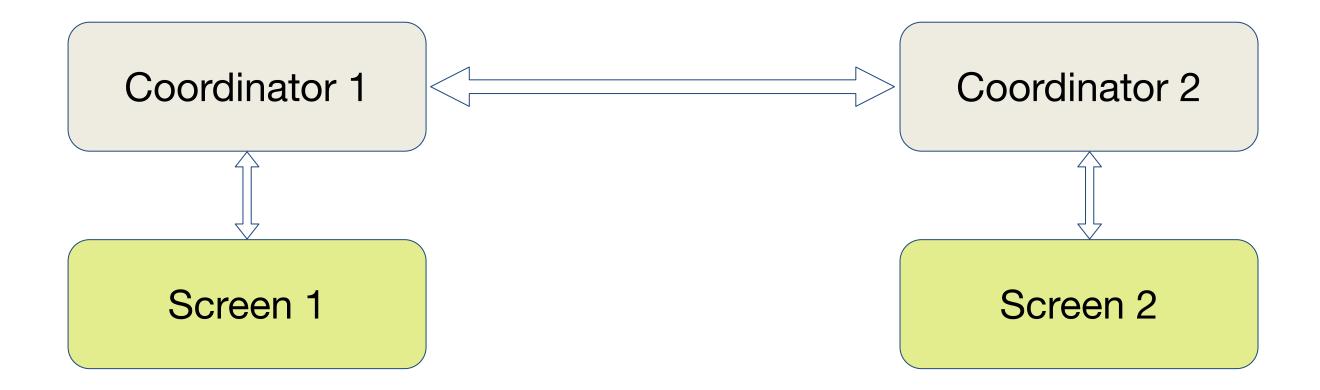
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Registration -> Enter Code -> Main Screen -> More Screen -> Settings





















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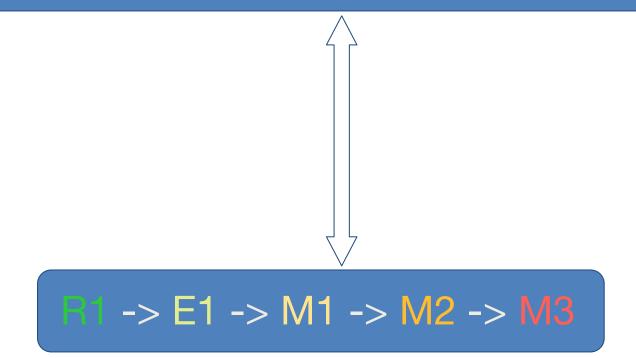
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Coordinator pattern

Registration -> Enter Code -> Main Screen -> More Screen -> Settings

























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```
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       settingsStorage.lastScreenBeforeTerminate = rootCoordinator.presentedScreenName
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```



















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```
func application(_ application: UIApplication,
                    didFinishLaunchingWithOptions launchOptions: [UIApplication.LaunchOptionsKey: Any]?) -> Bool {
       if let lastScreenBeforeTerminate = settingsStorage.lastScreenBeforeTerminate {
           metricsService.track(.lastScreenBeforeTerminate, value: lastScreenBeforeTerminate)
       return true
43 }
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- Track App Start time
- Track User Story time





















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Network/API service

```
func executeHTTPRequest(method: HTTPMethod,
                            url: URL,
58
                            headers: [String: String]?,
59
                            body: Data?,
60
                            completion: ((Result<Data, Error>) -> Void)?) {
61
       // 1. implementation of making HTTP Request
62
63
       // 2. handling response or error
64
65
66
       metricsService.trackHTTPRequest(url: url, elapsedTime: currentTimeSinceStart)
67 }
```























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