

387: Swift Continued

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Introduction

- Today we are going to continue looking at the swift language.
 - Recap (What we did yesterday)
 - Advanced Concepts
 - Classes and Inheritance
 - Error Handling
 - Practical Programming Task

Recap: Variables and Constants

- "Automatic" Variable types
- Type Safety
- Conversions

Variable Types:

- Core Variable types:
 - **String** Holds Text
 - **Int** Whole numbers
 - **Double** / **Float** Decimal Numbers
 - **Boolean** True / False

Defining Types:

//Automatic variable type of Integer

var radius = 5

//And of Double

var text = "Hello, World!"

//Manual Definition

var radius: Double

//And set value

radius = 5.0

Constants

- Used to hold items that value shouldn't change (like Pi)
- Once defined will cause an error if you try to change them
- We use the **let** keyword.

```
let pi=3.1415
```

Variables

- Hold data values
- Can be changed at run time (remember type safety)
- use the **var** keyword

```
//Define the variable
```

```
var radius = 5.0
```

```
//And modify it
```

```
radius = 10.0
```


Recap: Collections of Objects

- Two main ways of holding Groups of objects
 - Lists (Groups of objects)
 - Dictionaries (Key, Value) pairs

- Enclose items in square brackets `[]`
- Remember indexing starts at 0
- Access using square bracket syntax `[<index>]`

Lists:

//Define a list of grades

```
var grades = [60, 55, 70]
```

//Print the 1st item in the list

```
print("Grade is \"(grades[0])")
```

//Update the 2nd Item

```
grades[1] = 60
```

Lists: adding and removing objects

//Define a list

```
var grades = [60, 55, 70]
```

//How many items (will print 3)

```
print("Number of Grades \n(grades.count)")
```

//Add an Item to the end of the list

```
grades.append(75)
```

//Insert an item at the start of the list

```
grades.insert(45, at: 0)
```

//Remove the first item from the list

```
grades.remove(at: 0)
```

Dictionaries:

- Hold "Key", "Value" pairs of data
- Useful for lookup tables etc.
- Similar syntax to lists [**<key>**:<item>]

//Define a dictionary of Airport Codes

```
var airports = ["DXB": "Dubai",  
               "HKG": "Hong Kong"]
```

Dictionaries: Getting Data

//Define

```
var airports = ["DXB": "Dubai",  
               "HKG": "Hong Kong"]
```

//Lookup HKG airport Code

```
print("Code HKG is \"(airports[\"HKG\"])\")
```

//Add a new airport to the dict

```
airports["BHX"] = "Birmingham"
```

Recap: Comparisons

- `==` Equal To
- `!=` Not Equal To
- `>` Greater Than
- `<` Less Than
- `>=` Greater or Equal to
- `<=` Less or Equal to

Recap: Logical Operators

- Allow us to **chain** comparisons together.
- **a && b** AND operator
- **a || b** OR operator
- **!a** NOT operator (inverts value)

NEW: Ranges

- Allow us to define Ranges of values we wish to work with
- Closed Ranges **a..b** runs from a to b (and includes both values)

```
//Values between x <= 0 && x >=10
```

```
//Ie 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
```

```
for x in 0..10
```

```
....
```

```
//What about 10 to 100
```

```
for x in 10..100
```

```
....
```

Half open ranges

- We can also use a **less than** for the second value
 - Think of this for lists based on the size

```
//Values between x <=0 and x <10
```

```
//Produces 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
```

```
for x in 0..<10
```

```
...
```

```
//Or for a list
```

```
for x in 0..thelist.count
```

```
...
```

Recap: Selection

- Making choice based on a variables value
 - **If, then, else** Statements
 - **Switch** Statements

If Statements

- Remember Ordering of tests is important

```
if grade < 40 {  
    // Fail  
} else if grade >= 70 {  
    // First Calss  
} else if grade >= 60 {  
    // 2:1  
} else {  
    // A default condition  
}
```

Switch Statements

- Alternative way of nesting large numbers of ifs

```
switch x{  
    case 0.. $<40$ :  
        // Fail  
    case 70.. $100$ :  
        //First Class  
    case 60.. $<70$ :  
        //Secnd Class  
    default:  
        //Default condition
```

Recap Iteration

- Doing Things Many times
 - **For** loops
 - **While** Loops

For Loops

- Good when we know how many items we are dealing with
 - Iterate through Lists, Dictionaries, set ranges of values etc.
- **For-In** loops iterate through lists

```
//Define a list
```

```
thelist = ["foo","bar","baz"]
```

```
//Iterate
```

```
for item in thelist{  
    print ("Item is \"(item)\")  
}
```

For Loops, Ranges

```
for index in 0..10 {  
    print ("Value is \ (index)")  
}
```

//Use this to go through a list

```
thelist = ["foo","bar","baz"]
```

//Note the ..<

```
for index in 0..<thelist.count {  
    print ("Item at index \ (index) is \ (thelist[index])")  
}
```


While Loops

- Keep going until we are told to stop
 - **REMEMBER** check your stop condition

```
thelist = ["foo","bar","baz"]
```

```
var index = 0
```

```
while index < thelist.count {  
    print ("Item at index \ (index) is \ (thelist[index])")  
    //IMPORTANT Increase index  
    index += 1  
}
```

Recap: Functions

- Modular Code is good.
 - Reuse functions
 - Reduce errors
 - Make our life easier (good Programmers are Lazy)

Defining Functions

- Use the **func** keyword
 - Parameters are **name:Type** pairs
 - Return types are also given

```
//      (Name)           (Parameters)           (Returns)
func demoFunction(parameter: String) -> String {
    .. Do Something
}
```

Function Demo

```
func grade(mark: Double) -> String {  
    if mark < 40 {  
        return "Sorry, you failed"  
    } else if mark > 70 {  
        return "Congratulations you got a 1st")  
    } else if mark >= 60 {  
        return "Not bad, a 2:1"  
    } else if mark >= 50 {  
        return "OK, a 2:2"  
    } else if mark >= 40 {  
        return "That sucks, a 3rd"  
    } else { //Catch things outside of expected range  
        return "Mark outside of boundries"  
    }  
}
```

Calling Functions

- functionName(<parameters>)

//Call the grade function

var output = **grade**(mark: 70)

// Print the Result (Contratulations ...)

print (output)

Recap: Classes and Objects

- Create **Objects** representing items with similar traits
 - People
 - Shapes
 - Records

- Use the **class** keyword
 - Define Class Variables / Attributes

```
class Circle {  
    var radius : Double  
}
```

Constructors

- Help us create new instances of objects
- use the special **init** method

```
class Circle {  
    var radius : Double  
  
    init(theradius: Double) {  
        //Update classes radius value with the one provided  
        radius = theradius  
    }  
}  
  
//Create a new Circle with radius 5  
var theCircle = Circle(radius: 5)
```


- Use dotted syntax .

```
//Create a new Circle with radius 5
```

```
var theCircle = Circle(radius: 5)
```

```
//Print the Radius
```

```
print("Radius is \"(theCircle.radius)")
```

```
//Change the Radius
```

```
theCircle.radius = 10
```

Class Methods

- Give a class functionality

```
class Circle {  
    var radius : Double  
  
    init(theradius: Double) {  
        //Update classes radius value with the one provided  
        radius = theradius  
    }  
  
    func getArea() -> Double {  
        //Calculate the area of the circle  
         //(NOTE: Bad Programming, Magic Number)  
        return 3.14 * (radius * radius)  
    }  
}
```

Using Methods

```
//Create a Circle
```

```
var theCircle = Circle(5)
```

```
//Call the Area Method
```

```
var theArea = theCircle.getArea()
```

```
//Print something
```

```
print ("Circle of Radius \theCircle.radius) has area \theArea")
```

Recap: Warmup Task

- Create a new Playground
- Complete the Code provided.
 - Add a Get Circumference Function
 - Think about using Constants to remove the Magic Numbers
- Warmup.swift:

[https://gist.github.com/djgoldsmith/
5bfa8d31e002e8c2c51778a8c1ca0c99](https://gist.github.com/djgoldsmith/5bfa8d31e002e8c2c51778a8c1ca0c99)

Warmup Task: Code

```
class Circle {  
    var radius : Double  
  
    init(theradius: Double) {  
        //Update classes radius value with the one provided  
        radius = theradius  
    }  
  
    func getArea() -> Double {  
        //Calculate the area of the circle  
        return 3.14 * (radius * radius)  
    }  
  
    //Add a Function to Caluclate the Circumference (Pi * R * R)  
    func getCircumference()  
    {  
        //Code Goes Here  
    }  
}
```

Warmup Task: Code (2)

```
//List of Circles
var theList = [2.0,4.0,6.0]

for item in theList {
    //New Circle
    var theCircle = Circle(theradius: item)

    //Print
    print ("Circle of Radius: \(item)")
    print ("\tArea: \(theCircle.getArea())")
    print ("\tCircum: \(theCircle.getCircumference())")
}
```

Advanced Class Methods

- Swift allows us to do some clever things with class methods
 - Use the same method to **get** or **set** values
 - Imagine a Square Class:
 - We could call **Square.Area()** to get the area of the square
 - We could call `Square.Area = 10` to set the size of the square

Advanced Class Methods: Initial Code

```
class Square {  
    //How long is each side  
    var sidelength: Double  
  
    init(length: Double){  
        //Constructor: Set the side length to specified value  
        sidelength = length  
    }  
}
```

Advanced Class Methods: Getters and Setters

```
func getArea() -> Double{  
    //Calculate the area of the square  
    return sidelength * sidelength  
}
```

```
func setArea(area: Double){  
    //Set the sidelength based on Area  
    sidelength = area.squareRoot()  
}  
}
```

Advanced Class Methods: Testing

```
var item = Square(length: 5)
//Get the Area
print ("Original Sides \ (item.sidelength)")
print ("Original Area \ (item.getArea())")
//Update the Area
item.setArea(area: 100)
print ("New Sides \ (item.sidelength)")
```

Advanced Class Methods: Variables as functions

- Or we could do this:

```
//Define an Variable as a function
var area: Double {
    //Get this value
    get {
        return sidelength * sidelength
    }
    //Set the Value
    set {
        sidelength = newValue.squareRoot()
    }
}

}
```

Advanced Class Methods: Variables as functions

```
var item = Square(length: 5)
//Get the Area
print ("Original Sides \ (item.sidelength)")
print ("Original Area \ (item.area)") //Note now a Variable
//Update the Area
item.area = 100
print ("New Sides \ (item.sidelength)")
```

Inheritance

- Sometimes we can have lots of classes that share similar attributes
 - **Circles, Squares** and **Rectanges** are all types of **Shape**
 - **Students, Lecturers** are all types of **People**
- They share common attributes, or methods, but have individual differences

- Defines the core functionality for groups of classes.
 - Common Variables
 - Common Functions

Shapes Superclass

- What do we need for our Shape superclass?
 - Print Details of the Shape
 - Calculate the Area
 - Calculate the Perimeter

Superclass:

```
class Shape {  
    //Shapes will have a number of sides  
    var numberOfSides = 0  
    var name: String  
  
    //Constructor  
    init(name: String){  
        self.name = name  
    }  
  
    //Place Holder for Area Functions  
    func calcArea() -> Double {}  
  
    //Place Holder for Perimeter function  
    func calcPerimeter() -> Double {}  
  
    //A simple Function to return the numberr of sides  
    func description() -> String {  
        return ("\(name): a Shape with \(numberOfSides) sides")  
    }  
}
```

Creating a Rectangle Class

- Lets subclass **shape** to create a rectangle
- Think about the rectangles attributes
 - Height, Width
- And Calculations
 - $\text{Area} = H * W$
 - $\text{Perimeter} = 2 * (H + W)$

Setting up the Subclass

- We just add the name of the superclass to the definition

```
class Shape {  
    // <snip>  
}
```

```
class Rectangle: Shape {  
}
```

```
testRec = Rectangle(name:Rectangle)  
print ("Test the Rectangle \ (testRec.description())")
```

Updating the class Variables

- We next give our **Rectangle** subclass relevant attributes
 - Note that the numberOfSides attribute is inherited from **shape**

```
class Rectangle: Shape {  
    //Variables specific to rectangles  
    var width = 0.0  
    var height = 0.0  
}
```

Updating the Constructor

- And update the constructor to populate these variables
 - Here, we also update the superclass Variables (as we know what they are)
 - We need to initialise the superclass using an **super.init** call

Updated Constructor

```
class Rectangle: Shape {  
    //Variables specific to rectangles  
    var width = 0.0  
    var height = 0.0  
  
    init(width: Double, height: Double){  
        //First update Superclass using its init method  
        super.init(name: "Rectangle")  
        numberOfSides = 4 //And update the number of sides  
        //Then Class Specific  
        self.width = width  
        self.height = height  
    }  
}
```

Testing the Updated Constructor

- Testing the code

```
//Create a new Rectangle
```

```
var testRec=Rectangle(width: 5, height: 10)
```

```
//Call the description function
```

```
print(testRec.description())
```

-Gives the expected output

```
$ swift testing.swift
```

```
Rectangle: a Shape with 4 sides
```


Completing the Class Methods

- Lets fill in the code for the class methods
 - Note we need to tell swift we are **overriding** superclass functions

```
class Rectangle: Shape
    ///.. <snip>
    override func calcArea() -> Double {
        return height*width
    }

    override func calcPerimeter() -> Double {
        return 2*(height+width)
    }
}
```

Testing it

-Again we Test

```
var testRec=Rectangle(width: 5, height: 10)
print(testRec.description())
print("Area \(testRec.calcArea()) Perimeter \(testRec.calcPerimeter())"
```

- Looks like it works

```
$ swift testing.swift
Rectangle: a Shape with 4 sides
Area 50.0 Perimeter 30.0
```

Your Turn:

- Using the provided code (shapes.swift) create a Triangle Subclass
 - Think about the parameters
 - Area Calculation ($W*H)/2$
 - Perimeter Calculation (a bit harder)

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<<https://gist.github.com/djgoldsmith/907424267ae067fe58321b8512>

Thinking about Subclasses.

- Lets write a Square subclass
- Remember **Programmers are Lazy**
 - What do we know about Squares and Rectangles?
 - A Square is a Rectangle where the Width and Height are the Same

Subclassing a Subclass

- Lets Subclass Rectangle, and get it to take a Length attribute
 - Then set Height and Width to be this value
 - All the rest of the work is done for us

Square Sub-Subclass

```
class Square: Rectangle {  
    init(length: Double){  
        //Initialise the super class  
        super.init(width: length, height: length)  
        //Update the name  
        name = "Square"  
    }  
}
```

Testing the Square

```
var testSq = Square(length: 5)
print(testSq.description())
print("Area \(testSq.calcArea()) Perimeter \(testSq.calcPerimeter())")
```

```
$ swift testing.swift
Square: a Shape with 4 sides
Area 25.0 Perimeter 20.0
```

Enumerations and Structs

- I think of Enumerations and structs as "mini-classes"
 - Group several objects together
 - Can have functions associated with them

- Give a set of possible values that can be associated with the enumeration
- For example, if we know what sort of errors our code can return, we can group them together for convenience
- Lets say our code could return a **indexOutOfRangeException** or **duplicateItem** error

Enumerations Example

```
enum possibleError: Error {  
    case indexOutOfRange  
    case duplicateItem  
}
```

Structs:

- Group variables together

```
struct Item {  
    var title:String  
    var description:String  
    var added:NSDate = NSDate()  
    var done:Bool = false  
}
```

Error Handling

Why do Error Handling

- When dealing with user input mistakes happen.
 - We could try to get an item that doesn't exist
 - We could try to use input that doesn't make sense
- If we do not deal with these errors, either the code crashes, or produces unexpected output

Defining Errors.

- We represent errors by using any type that supports the **error** protocol
- Can be defined in a struct to group things together
- By defining errors, we can start to classify things

```
enum possibleError: Error {  
    case notEnoughMoney  
    case duplicateItem  
}
```

Throwing Errors

If we want the code to throw a specific error we can use the **throw** keyword

```
var money = 10 //How much money do we have
var cost = 50 //How much does something cost

if cost > money {
    throw possibleError.notEnoughMoney
} else {
    //.. Do Stuff
}
```


Throwing errors in functions

- We need to tell swift that we can throw an error in the function
 - use the **throws** keyword

```
func doSomething(param:String) throws -> String
```

Handling Errors

- When an error is thrown, the code will crash unless we deal with it
- A common way of dealing with code that could throw an error is the **do-catch** block
 - We prefix the code that may fail with a **try** statement

Handling Errors: Syntax

```
//Start block of code
do {
    //Block that could fail
    let result = try afunction(input)
    print (result) //Gets run if things are OK
}

catch {
    print (error) /Gets run if things break
}
```

Handling Errors: Dealing with specific errors

- As the function throws an error type, we can detect this and respond
- Also means we can deal with multiple errors in one block of code
 - Suffix the **catch** statement with the error type

Multiple Errors: Syntax

```
//Start block of code
do {
    //Block that could fail
    let result = try afunction(input)
    print (result) //Gets run if things are OK
}

catch possibleError.notEnoughMoney{
    print (error) /Gets run if things break
} catch { //Default
    print ("Unhandled Error \ (error)")
}
```

Tasks

Time for some Work

- Keep playing with Subclasses / Inheritance
 - Can you make code for regular polygons?
 - What other shapes can you subclass
- Add Error handling.
 - Deal with negative side lengths
- There is Playground worksheet / code you can work through.