Understanding Constraints, Relationships, and Priorities



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Module Overview



Common Constraints

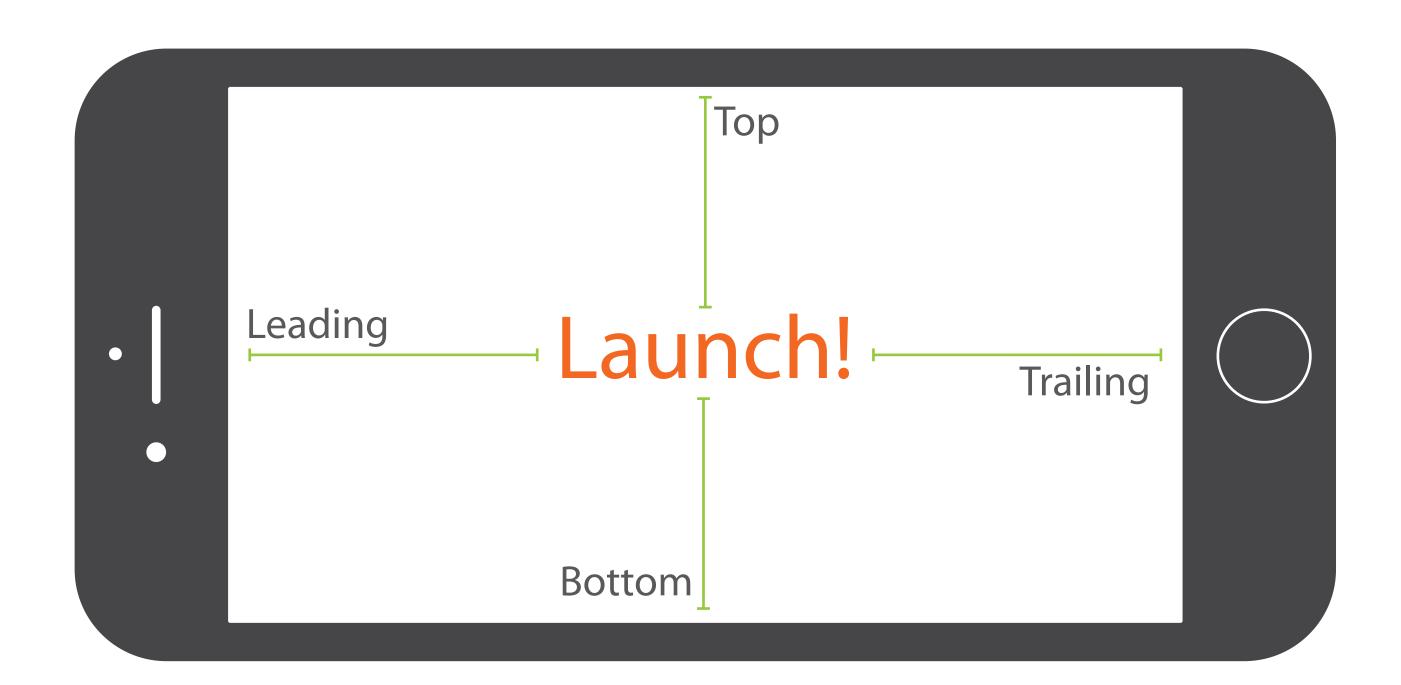
Key Components

How to Build Constraints

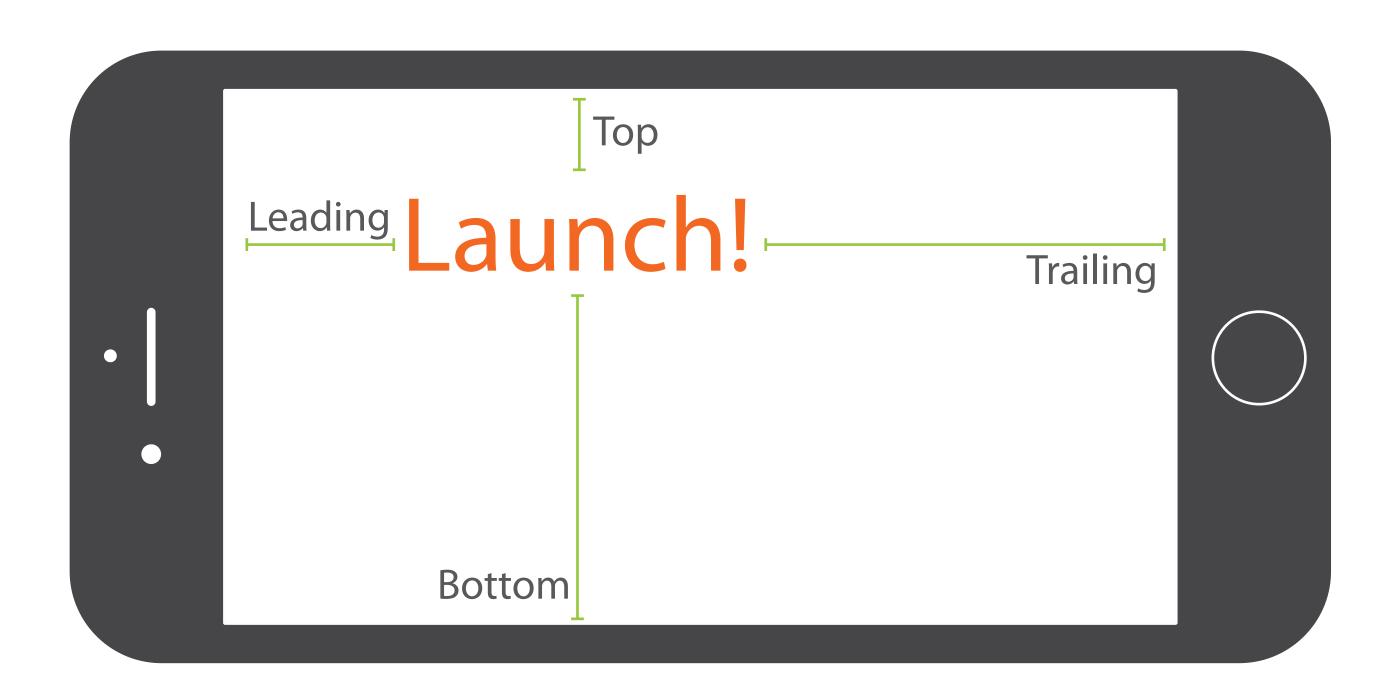
Satisfying the Constraints

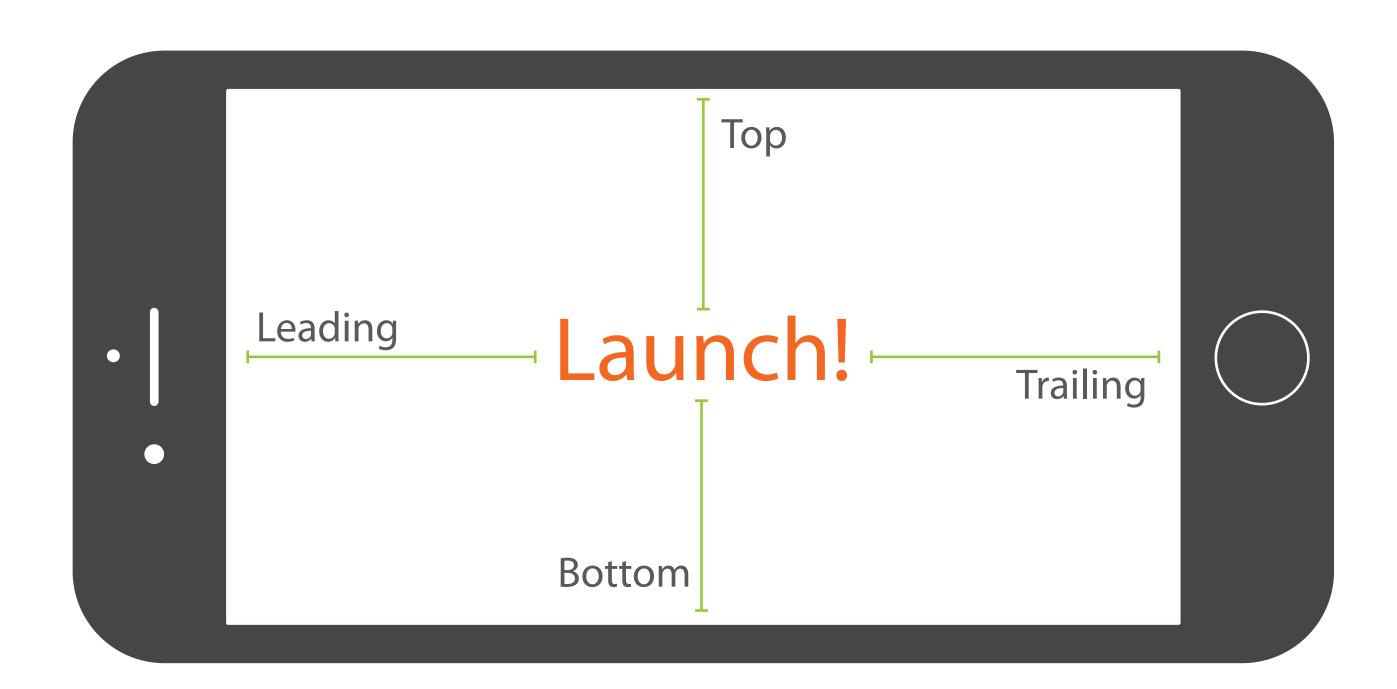
Linear Equations

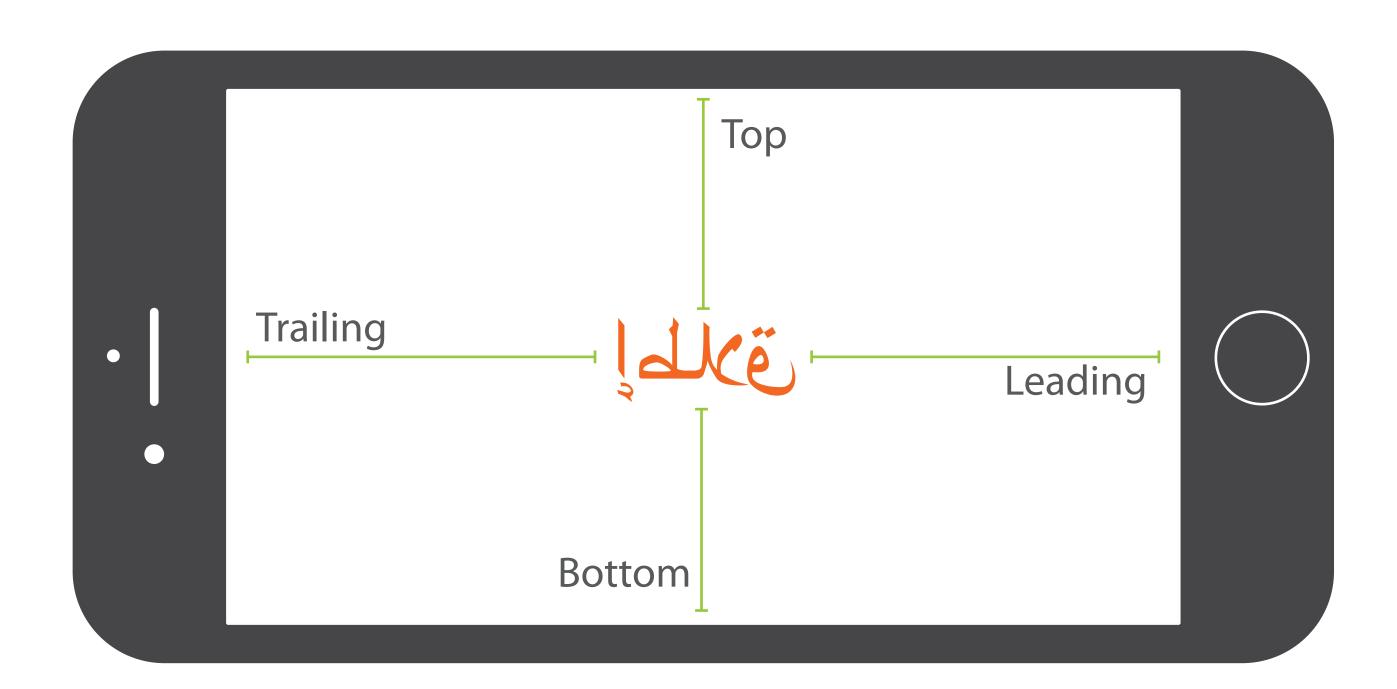
Constraint Demo

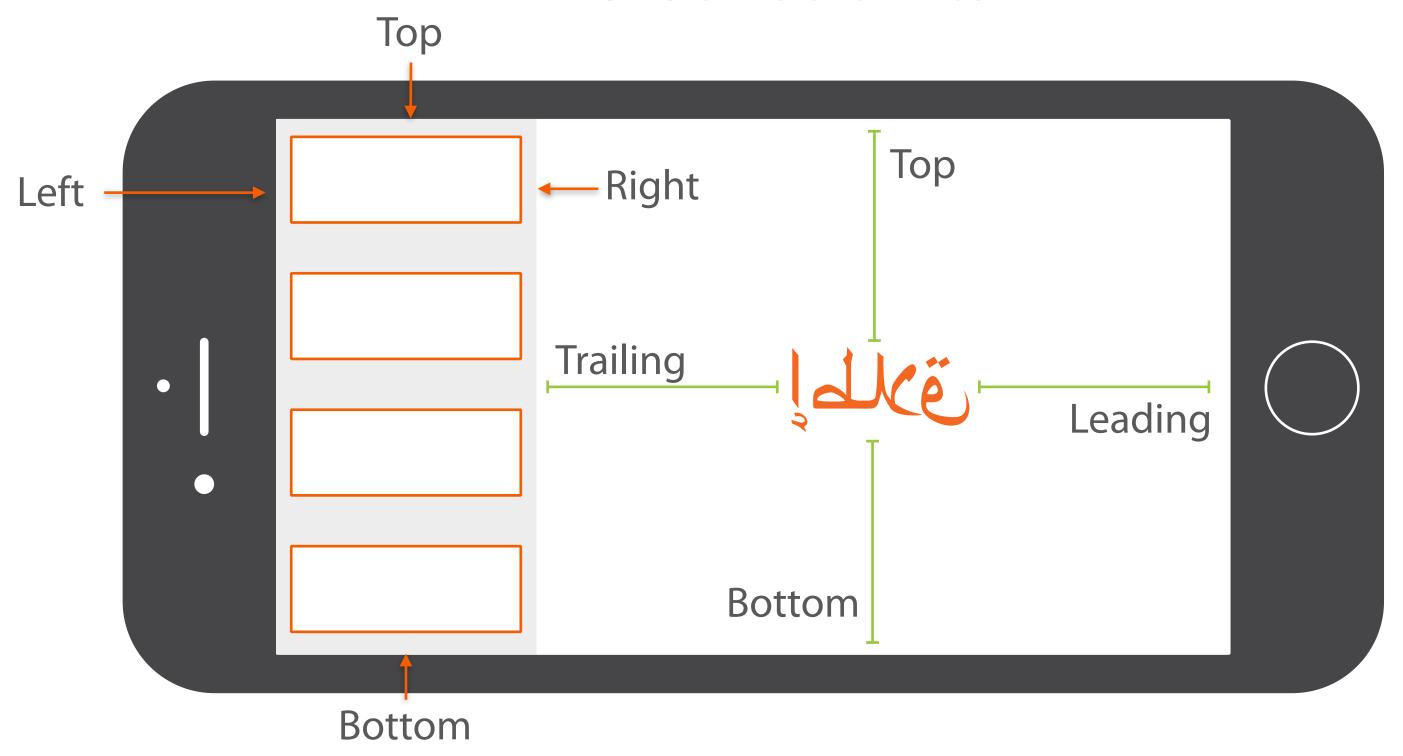


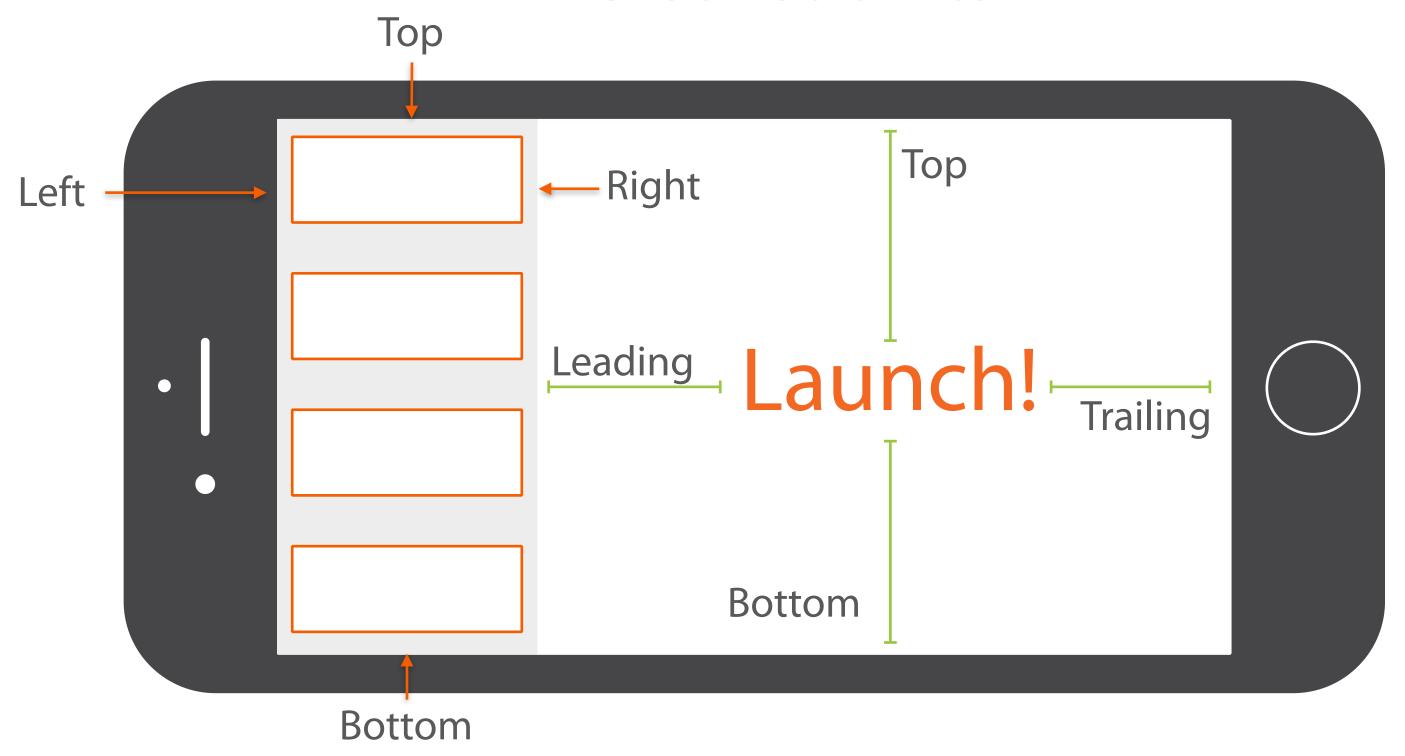


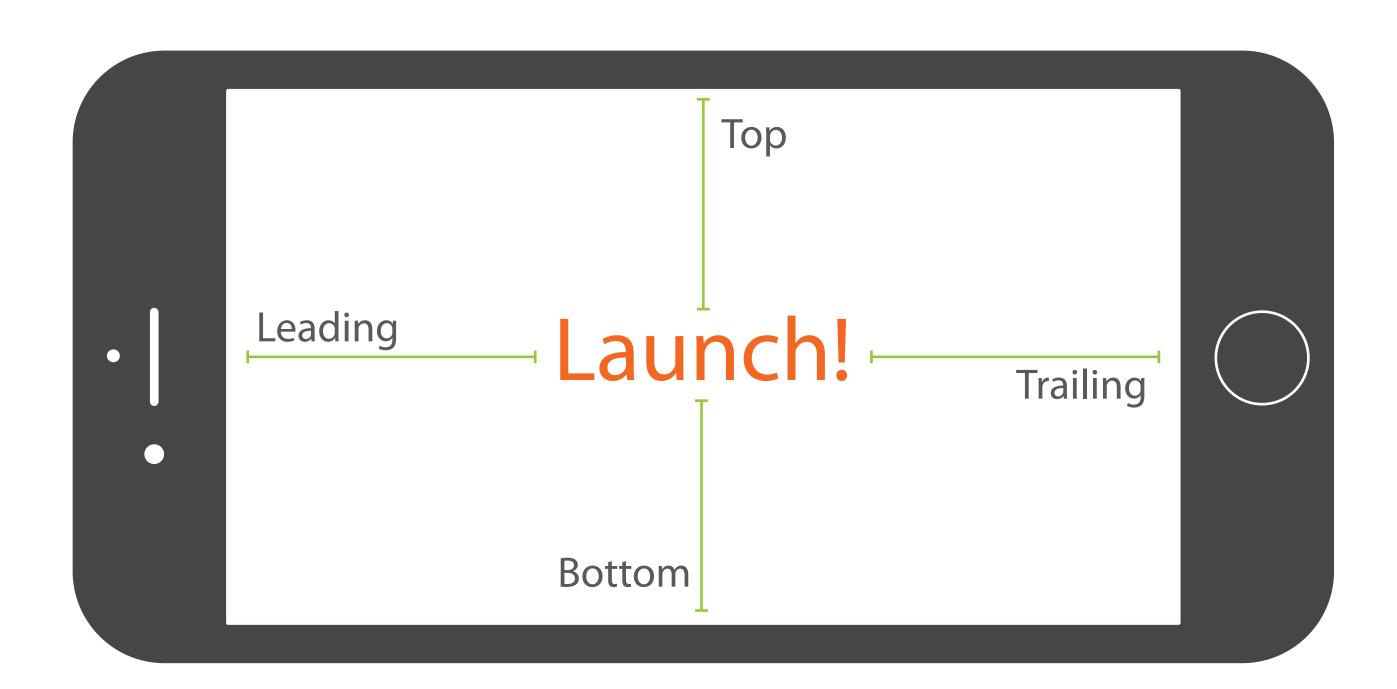


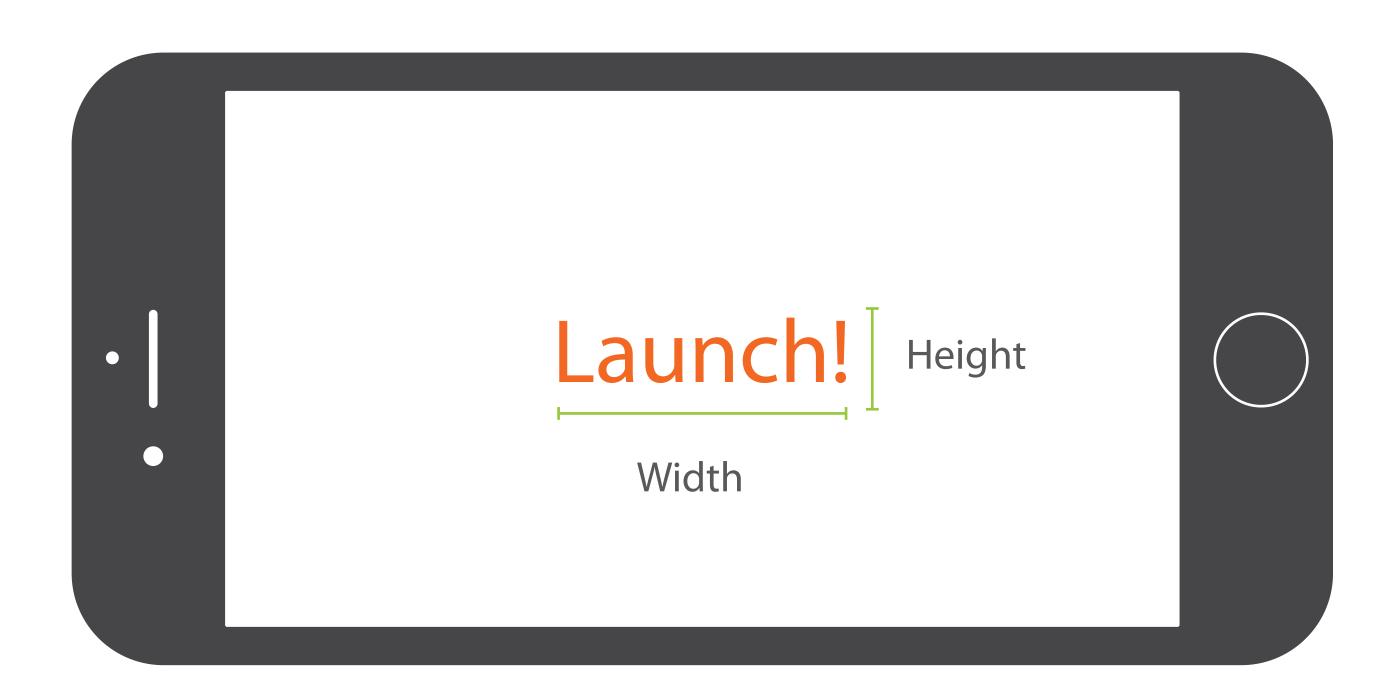


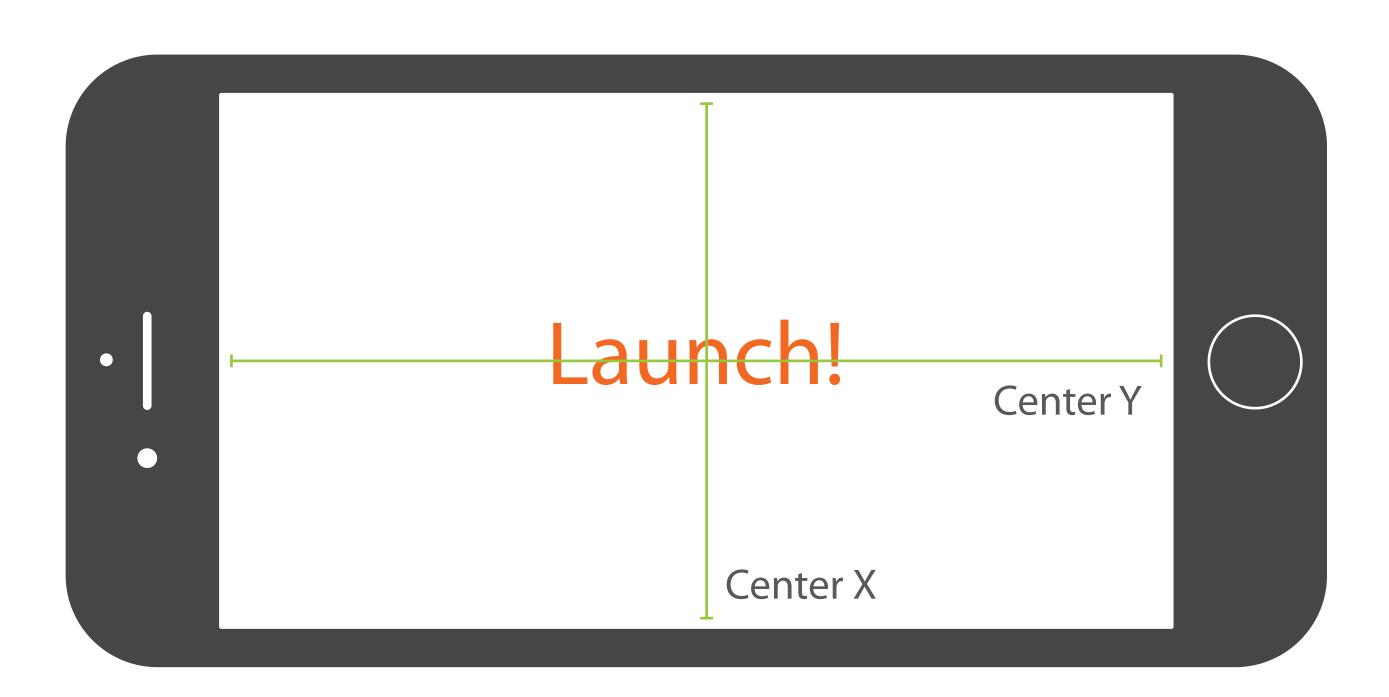


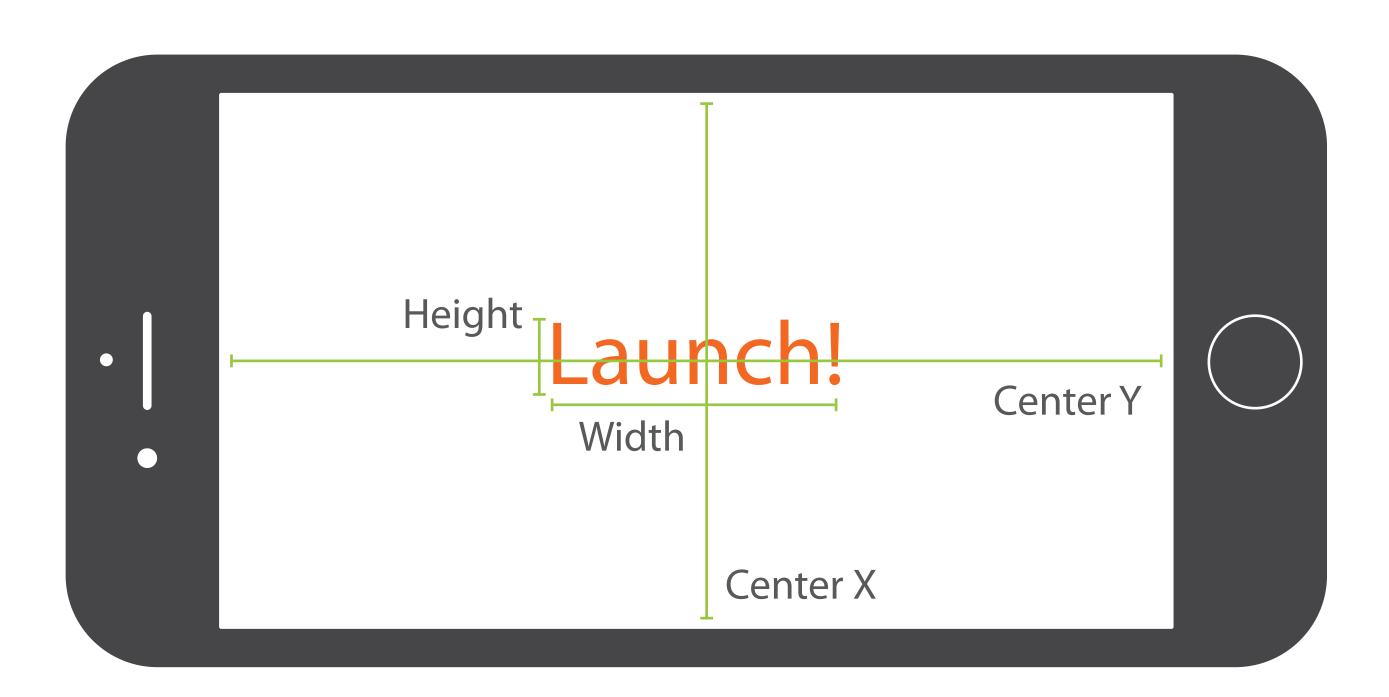


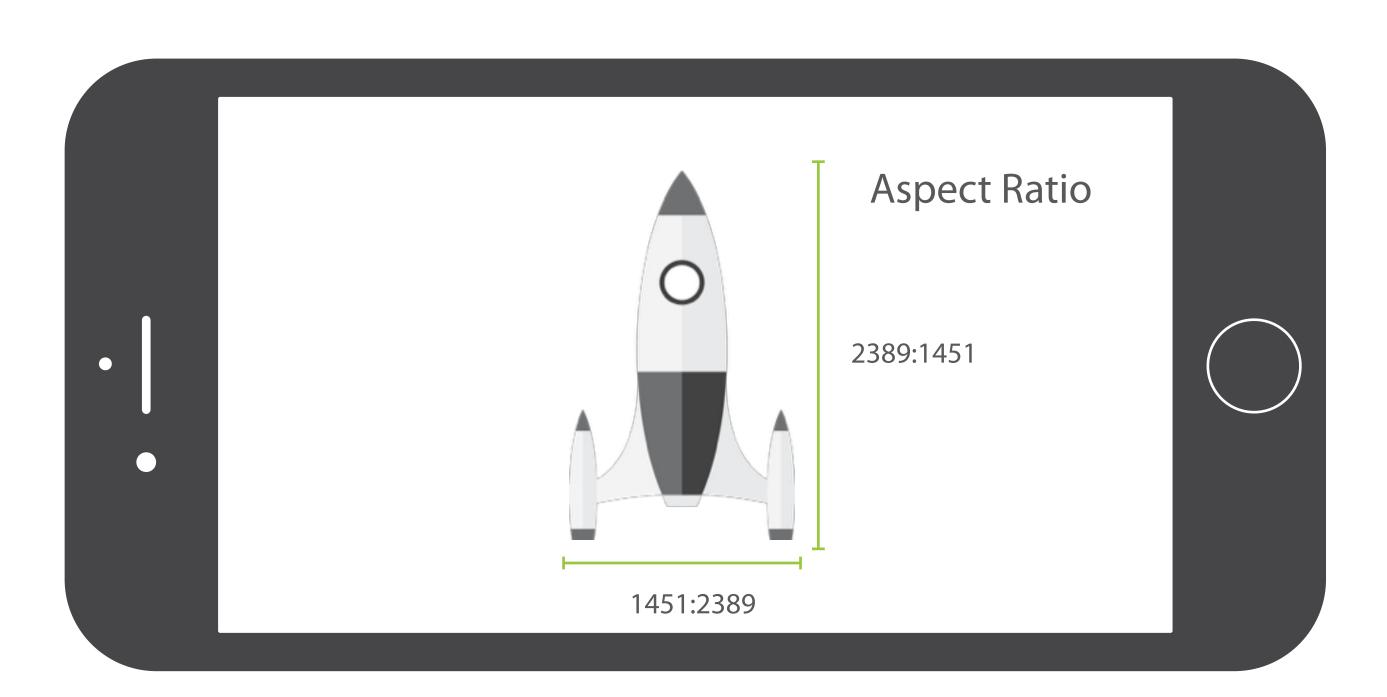






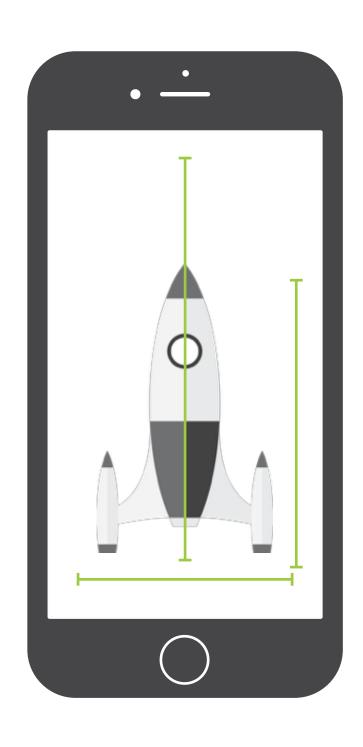








The Key Components



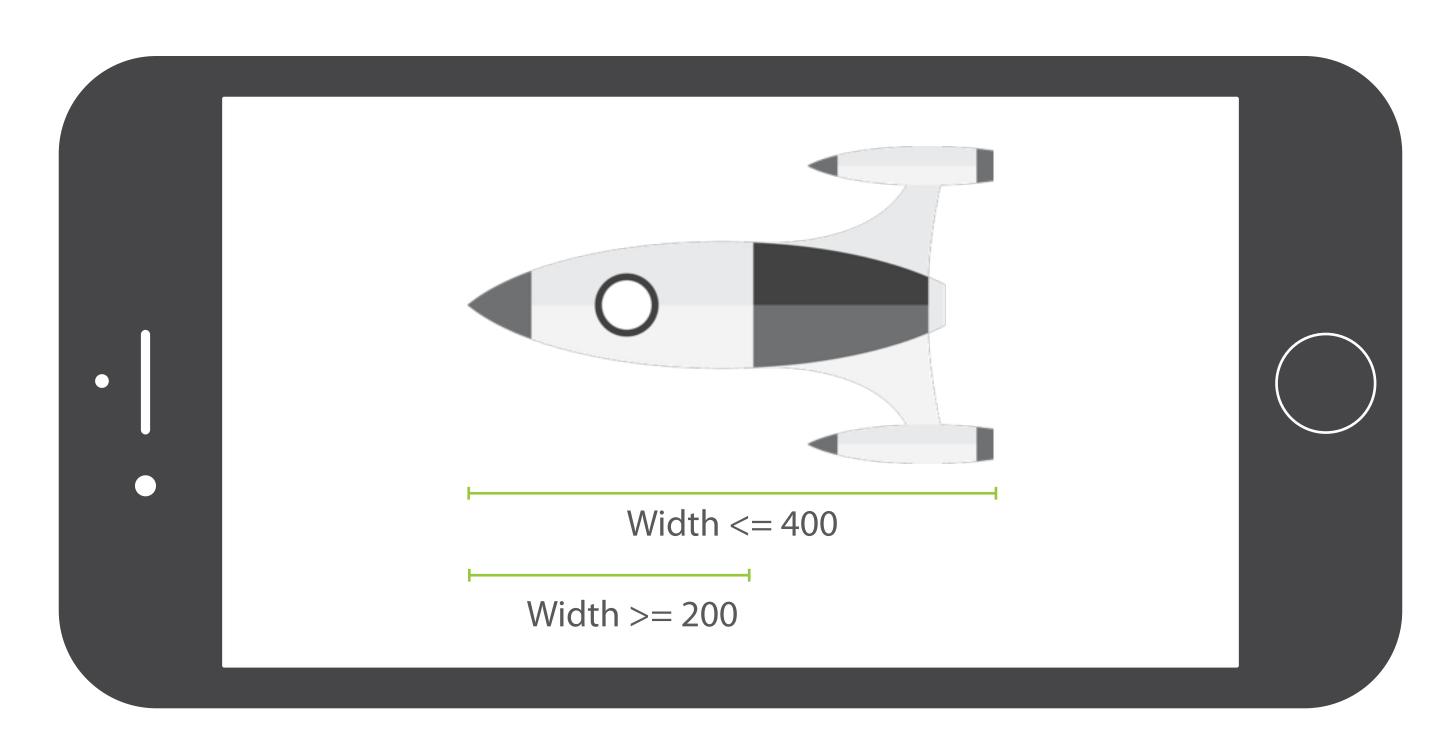
Constant

Number that defines the distance

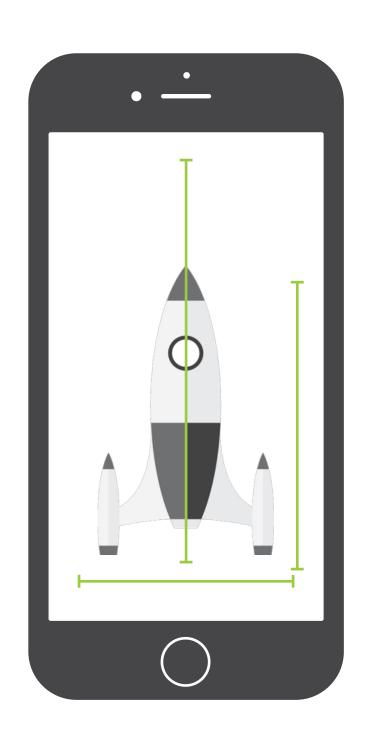
Relation

= >= <=

Relation



The Key Components



Constant

Number that defines the distance

Relation

Priority

Zero is the lowest priority, and 1000 is required

Building Constraints

Interface Builder

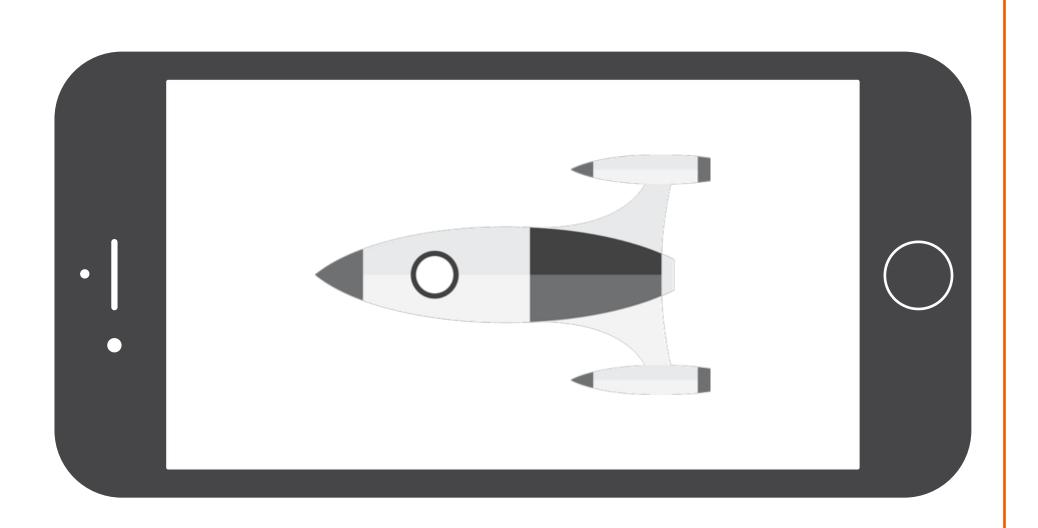
Visual Format Language

NSLayoutConstraint API

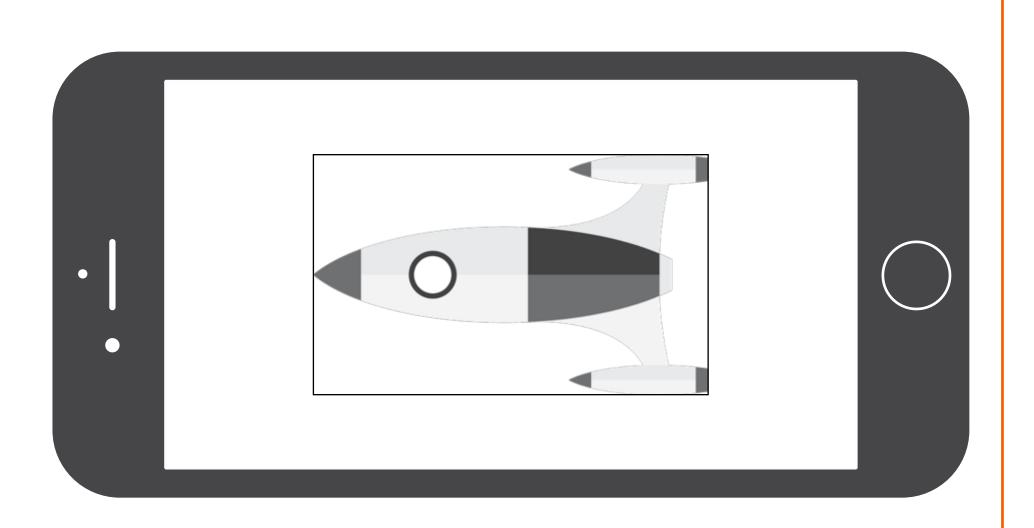
V: [-(40@600)-[item1]-[item2(==item1)]-20-[item3(==item1)]-[item4(==item3)]-(>=40)-[item2(==item2)]-(>=40)-[item3(==item3)]-(>=40)-[item3(=item3)]-(>=40)-[item3(=item3)]-(>

Your Mission

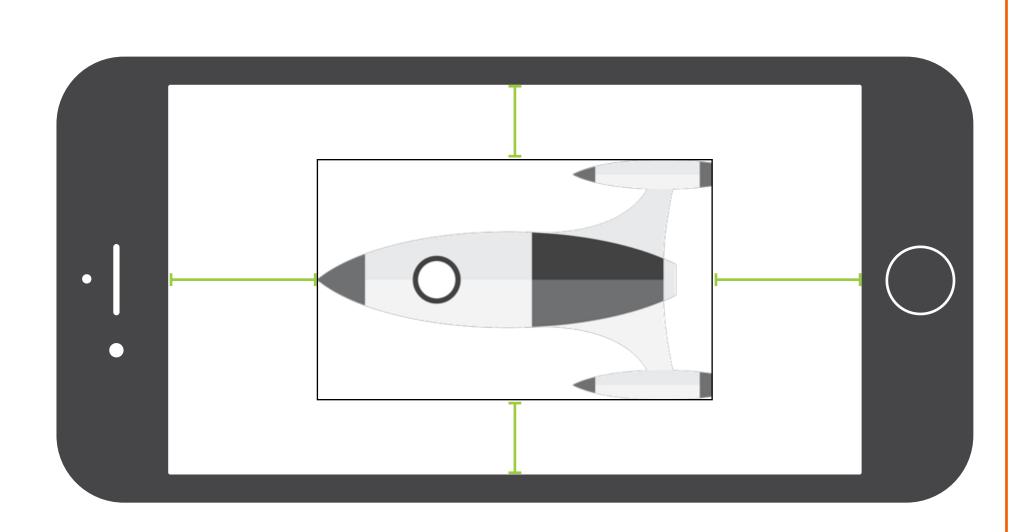
Finish the UI Design Satisfy the Constraints



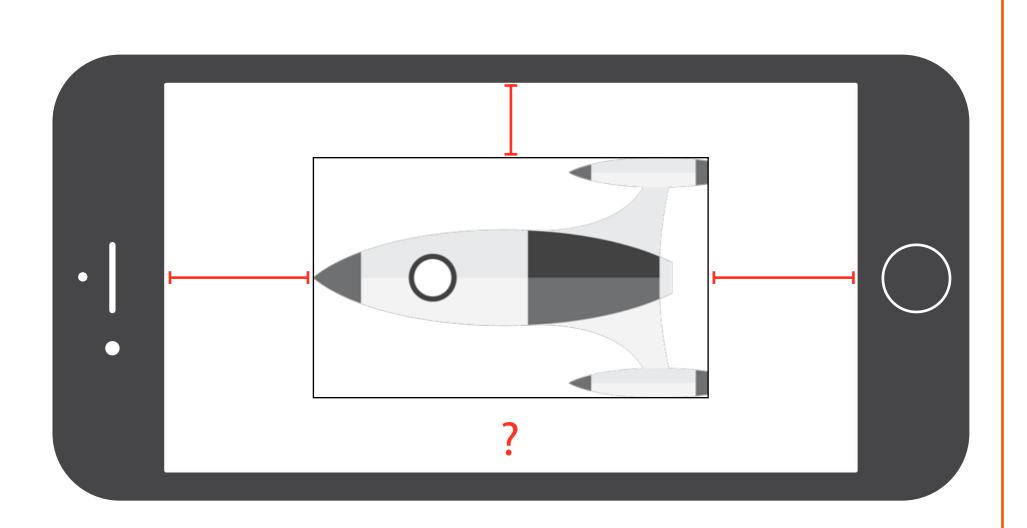
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- Y-Coordinate
- Width
- Height



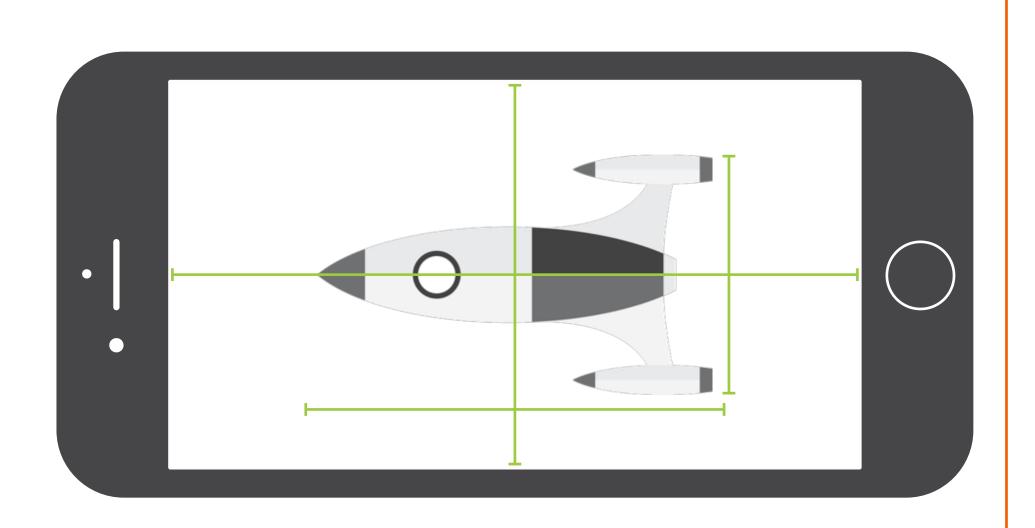
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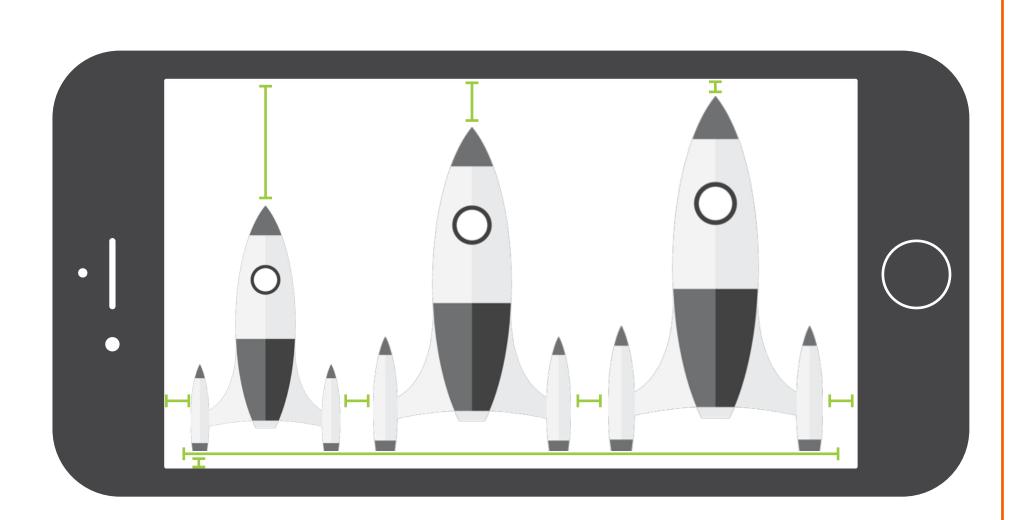
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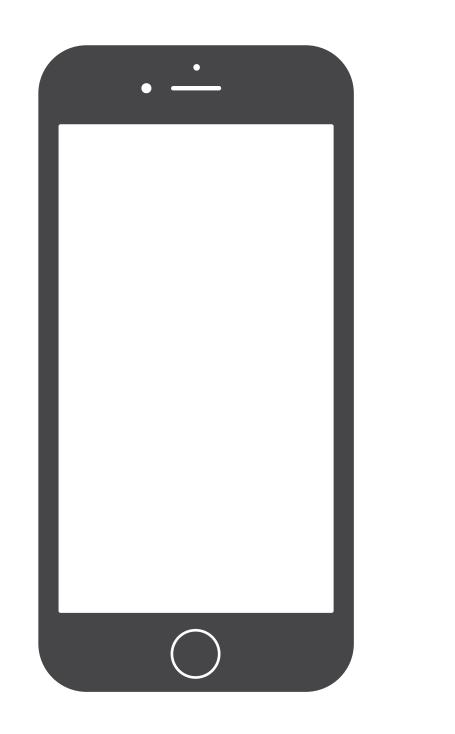
Your Mission

Finish the UI Design

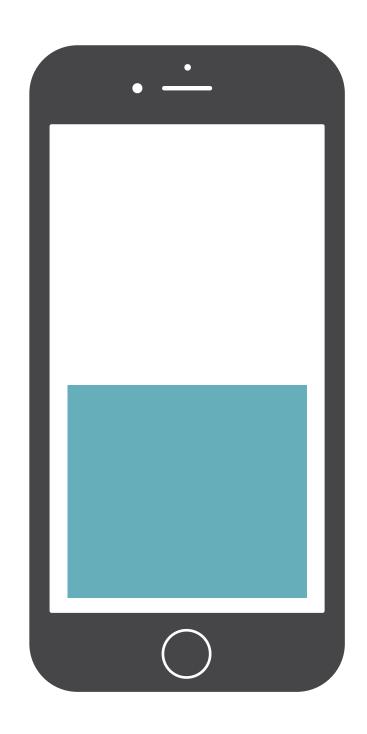
Satisfy the Constraints

Think About Relationships

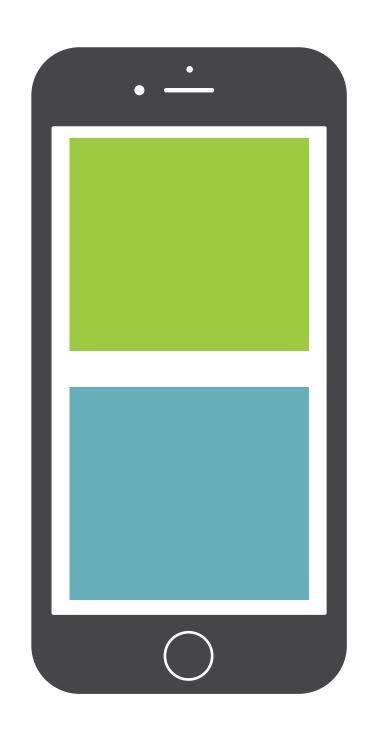
$$y = mx + b$$



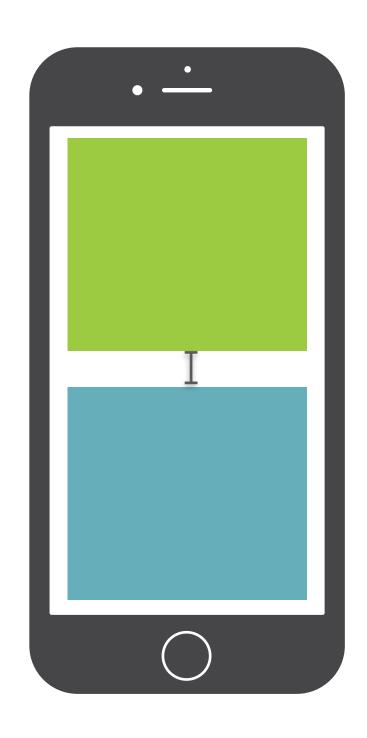
$$y = m \cdot x + b$$



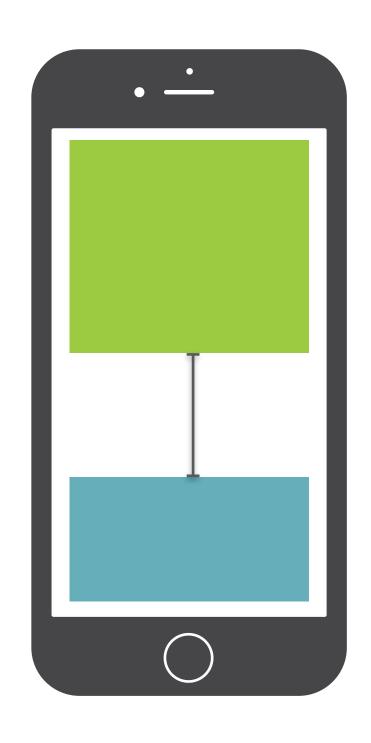
BlueView.Top = $m \cdot x + b$



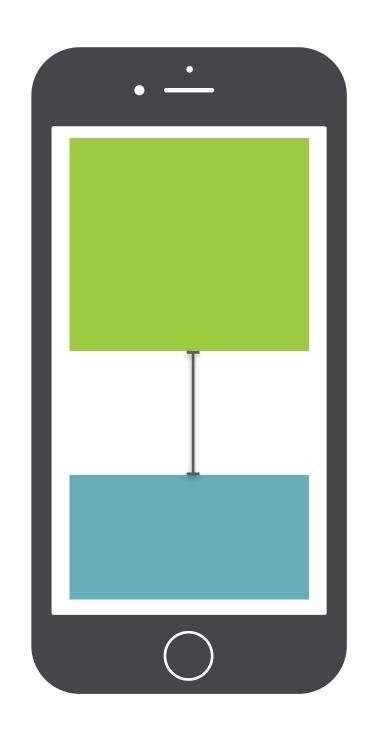
BlueView.Top = $m \cdot GreenView.Bottom + b$



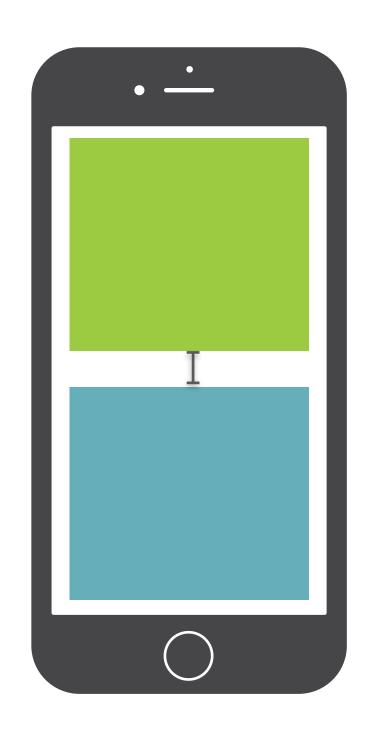
BlueView.Top = 1 · GreenView.Bottom + 10



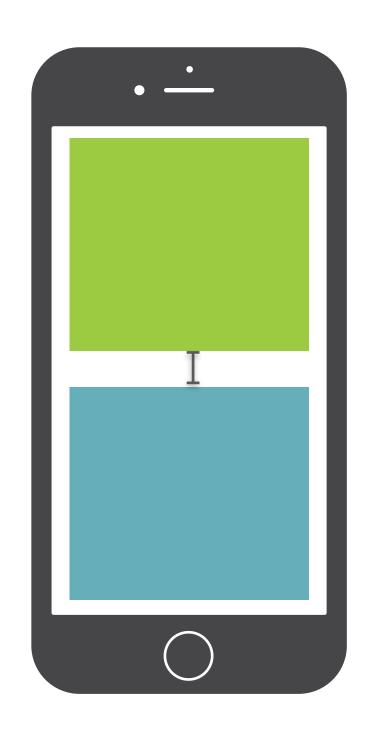
BlueView.Top = 1 · GreenView.Bottom + 40



BlueView.Top = 2 · GreenView.Bottom + 20



BlueView.Top = 2 · GreenView.Bottom + 5



BlueView.Top = 2 · GreenView.Bottom + 5

```
let constraint = NSLayoutConstraint(
   item: AnyObject,
   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute,
   relatedBy: NSLayoutRelation,
   toItem: AnyObject?,
   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute,
   multiplier: CGFloat,
   constant: CGFloat
)
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)
```

$$.Top = 2 \cdot GreenView.Bottom + 5$$

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   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute.Top,
   relatedBy: NSLayoutRelation,
   toItem: AnyObject?,
   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute,
   multiplier: CGFloat,
   constant: CGFloat
)
```

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let constraint = NSLayoutConstraint(
   item: BlueView,
   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute.Top,
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   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute,
   multiplier: CGFloat,
   constant: CGFloat
)
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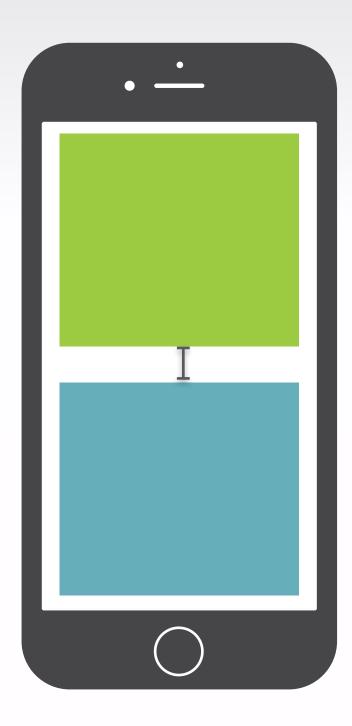
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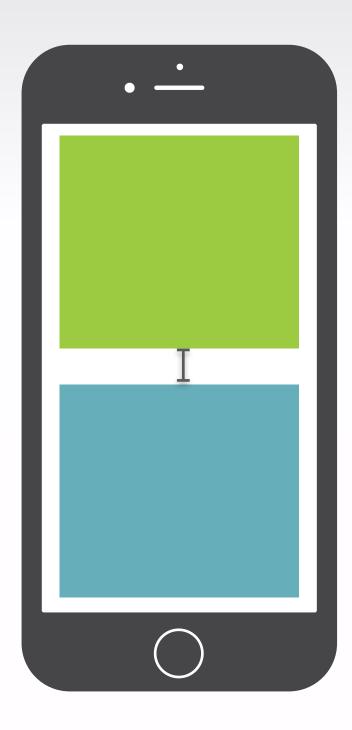
2 · + 5

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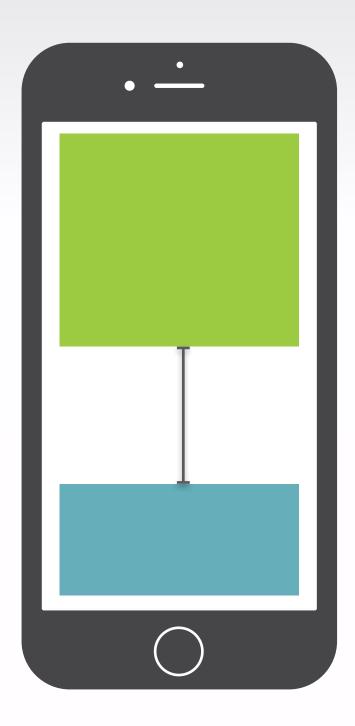
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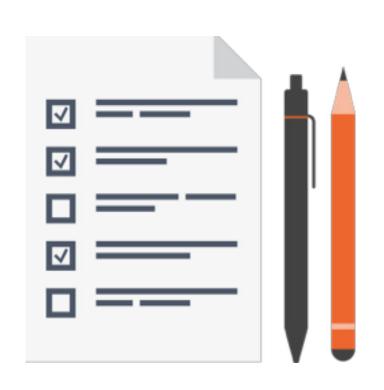


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   multiplier: 2,
   constant: 5
)
```



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let constraint = NSLayoutConstraint(
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   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute.Top,
   relatedBy: NSLayoutRelation.Equal,
   toItem: GreenView,
   attribute: NSLayoutAttribute.Bottom,
   multiplier: 1,
   constant: 40
)
```

Summary



Various Constraints

Constants, Priorities, and Relations

Satisfying the Constraints

Constraint's Linear Equation

Constraint Demo