More Swift

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Introduction

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 case an error if you try to change them
- We use the let keyword.

1 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

Lists

- 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]
3
    //How many items (will print 3)
    print("Number of Grades \((grades.count)")
5
6
7
    //Add an Item to the end of the list
8
    grades.append(75)
9
    //Insert an item at the start of the list
1.0
    grades.insert(45, at: 0)
11
12
    //Remove the first item from the list
13
    grades.remove(at: 0)
14
```

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

- Somehow I missed this yesterday
- 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

```
1  //Values between x <= 0 and x <10
2  //Produces 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
3  for x in 0..<10
4   ...
5   //Or for a list
7  for x in 0..<thelist.count
8   ...</pre>
```

Recap: Selection

- Making choice based on a variables value
 - If Statements
 - Switch Statements

If Statements

• Remember Ordering of tests is important

Switch Statements

• Alternative way of nesting large numbers of Ifs

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 \(ithelist[index])")
}</pre>
```

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
}</pre>
```

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

Function Demo

```
func grade(mark: Double) -> String {
        if mark < 40 {
2
            return "Sorry, you failed"
        } else if mark > 70 {
            return "Congratulations you got a 1st")
5
        } else if mark >= 60 {
6
           return "Not bad, a 2:1"
        } else if mark >= 50 {
8
            return "OK, a 2:2"
        }else if mark >= 40{
1.0
            return "That sucks, a 3rd"
11
        } else { //Catch things outside of expected range
12
            return "Mark outside of boundries"
13
14
```

Calling Functions

funtionName(<parameters>)

```
//Call the grade function
var text = grade(mark: 70)
// Print the Result (Contratulations ...)
print (text)
```

Recap: Classes and Objects

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

Creating Classes

- 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 Circule with radius 5

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

Accessing / Modifing Attribures

Use dotted syntax .

```
//Create a new Circule 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
6
         }
9
         func getArea() -> Double {
10
              //Calculate the area of the circle (NOTE: Bad Programming, Magic Numbe
             return 3.14 * (radius * radius)
11
         }
12
13
```

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 in Folder

Warmup Task: Code

```
class Circle {
1
          var radius : Double
3
          init(theradius: Double) {
5
              //Update classes radius value with the one provided
              radius = theradius
6
          }
8
          func getArea() -> Double {
9
              //Calculate the area of the circle (NOTE: Bad Programming, Magic Numbe
1.0
              return 3.14 * (radius * radius)
11
          }
12
13
14
        //Add a Function to Caluclate the Circumference (Pi * R * R)
15
        func getCircumference()
16
            //Code Goes Here
17
1.8
19
```

- 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
 - ullet We could call *Square.Area = 10 to set the size of the square

```
class Square {
1
        //How long is each side
        var sidelength: Double
3
5
        init(length: Double){
             //Constructor: Set the side length to specified value
6
             sidelength = length
    }
9
        func getArea() -> Double{
1.0
             //Calculate the area of the square
11
    return sidelength * sidelength
12
13
    }
14
15
        func setArea(area: Double){
             //Set the sidelength based on Area
16
     sidelength = area.squareRoot()
17
18
19
20
```

1.0

Or we could to this

```
class Square {
        //How long is each side
        var sidelength: Double
3
        init(length: Double){
5
             //Constructor: Set the side length to specified value
6
             sidelength = length
    }
9
        //Define an Variable as a function
10
        var area: Double {
11
              //Get this value
12
          get {
13
          return sidelength * sidelength
14
           }
15
     //Set the Value
16
17
     set {
18
           sidelength = newValue.squareRoot()
```

Inheritance

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

Super-class

- 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 {
1
        //Shapes will have a number of sides
        var numberOfSides = 0
3
        var name: String
5
        //Constructor
6
        init(name: String){
             self.name = name
8
9
10
        //Place Holder for Area Functions
11
        func calcArea() -> Double {}
12
13
14
        //Place Holder for Perimeter function
15
        func calcPerimeter() -> Double {}
16
        //A simple Function to return the numberr of sides
17
        func description() -> String {
18
          return ("\(name): a Shape with \(numberOfSides) sides")
19
20
```

Creating a Rectangle Class

- Lets subclass shape to create a rectangle
- Think about the rectangles attributes
 - Height, Width
- And Calculations
 - Area = H*W
 - 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:Rectange)
    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 Rectange: 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 Rectange: Shape {
      //Variables specific to rectangles
3
     var width = 0.0
      var height = 0.0
5
      init(width: Double, height: Double){
6
          //First update Superclass using its init method
          super.init(name: "Rectangle")
8
          numberOfSides = 4 //And update the number of sides
1.0
          //Then Class Specific
         self.width = width
11
          self.height = height
12
13
14
```

Testing the Updated Constructor

Testing the code

```
//Create a new Rectange
var testRec=Rectange(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 Rectange: Shape

//.. <snip>
override func calcArea() -> Double {

return height*width
}

override func calcPerimeter() -> Double {

return 2*(height+width)
}

}
```

Testing it

-Again we Test

```
var testRec=Rectange(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)

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

Introduction

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

Enumerations

- 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 convinience
- Lets say our code could return a indexOutOfRange or duplicateItem error

Enumerations Example

```
1 enum possibleError: Error {
2     case indexOutOfRange
3     case duplicateItem
4 }
```

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 doesnt exist
 - We could try to use input that doens'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 through 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

- Either:
 - Keep playing with Subclasses / Inheritance
 - Can you make code for regular polygons?
 - What other shapes can you subclass
 - There is some example code and a worksheet available.