

Day 3

1. My First App revisited (Discussion of homework)
2. Different view controller types
3. Scheme, Targets, Workspaces
4. Sharing Information
5. Autolayout and Size Classes
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Last weeks homework

View Controllers

- UINavigationController
- UITabBarController
- UITableViewController
- UICollectionViewController
- UISplitViewController
- UIPageViewController
- UISearchViewController
- UIPopOverController (exception)

Content Controllers vs. Container Controllers

A content view controller presents content on the screen using a view or a group of views organized into a view hierarchy

- To show data to the user
- To collect data from the user
- To perform a specific task
- To navigate between a set of available commands or options, such as on the launch screen for a game

A container view controller contains content owned by other view controllers. These other view controllers are explicitly assigned to the container view controller as its children.

- A container provides its own API to manage its children.
- A container decides whether the children have a relationship between them and what that relationship is.
- A container manages a view hierarchy just as other view controllers do. A container can also add the views of any of its children into its view hierarchy. The container decides when such a view is added and how it should be sized to fit the container's view hierarchy
- A container might impose specific design considerations on its children. For example.

Scheme, Targets, Workspaces

A target specifies a product to build and contains the instructions for building the product from a set of files in a project or workspace

An Xcode project is a repository for all the files, resources, and information required to build one or more software products

A workspace is an Xcode document that groups projects and other documents so you can work on them together

An Xcode scheme defines a collection of targets to build, a configuration to use when building, and a collection of tests to execute.

Sharing Information

1. `prepareForSegue`
2. shared context
3. database
4. delegation

Autolayout

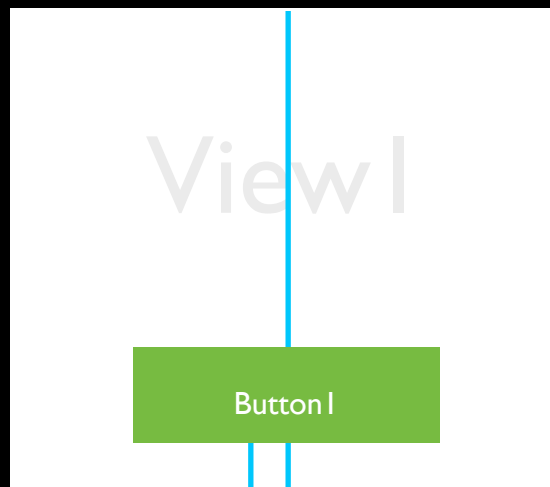
- Many Devices
- Each has a landscape and portrait option
- Relative layout between any views
- Fine grain control
- No dependence on actual positioning

What is the Point?

(or not the point)

- Layout by intent
- Everything in your view is relative
- Layout is insensitive to device and orientation
- Easy to use ? Getting there
- Both visual and programmatic use
- Internationalisation - Right to left (automatic support)
- Futureproof

The rule of relativity:

$$\text{item1.attribute} = \text{multiplier} * \text{item2.attribute} + \text{constant}$$

$$\text{button1centreX} = 1 * \text{View1centreX} + 0$$
$$\text{button1.bottom} = 1 * \text{View1.bottom} - 20$$

In code:

```
constraint = [NSLayoutConstraint constraintWithItem:button1
            attribute:NSLayoutAttributeCenterX
            relatedBy:NSLayoutRelationEqual
            toItem:view1
            attribute:NSLayoutAttributeCenterX
            multiplier:1.0f
            constant:0.0f];
```

```
constraint = [NSLayoutConstraint constraintWithItem:button1
            attribute:NSLayoutAttributeBottom
            relatedBy:NSLayoutRelationEqual
            toItem:view1
            attribute:NSLayoutAttributeBottom
            multiplier:1.0f
            constant:-20.0f];
```

```
[view1 addConstraint:constraint];
```

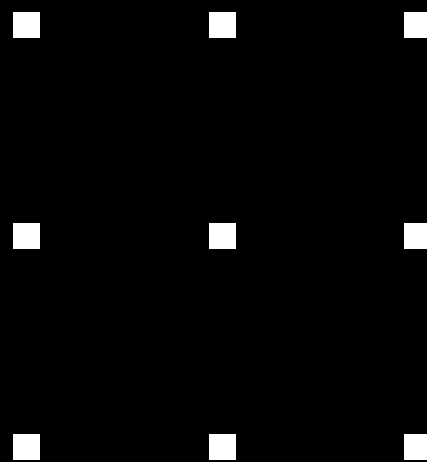
In Code using the Visual Format

- `|-[view1]-[view2]-|` (defaults to horizontal)
- `V:|-[view1]-[view3]-1`
- `H:|[view4(==200)-100-[view5(==view1)]-|`
- `V:|-[view7(>=300@500)]-|`

Size Classes (Adaptive Layout)

- Use size classes to enable a storyboard or xib file to work with all available screen sizes
- Core Concept of 'adaptive layout' is that size classes are abstracted away from device specific characteristics

Compact, Regular, Any



Four things you can change between size classes:

1. Constraint existence
2. Constraint constant
3. View existence
4. View font

Core Data

“The Core Data framework provides generalized and automated solutions to common tasks associated with object life-cycle and object graph management, including persistence. The Core Data framework provides generalized and automated solutions to common tasks associated with object life-cycle and object graph management, including persistence.”

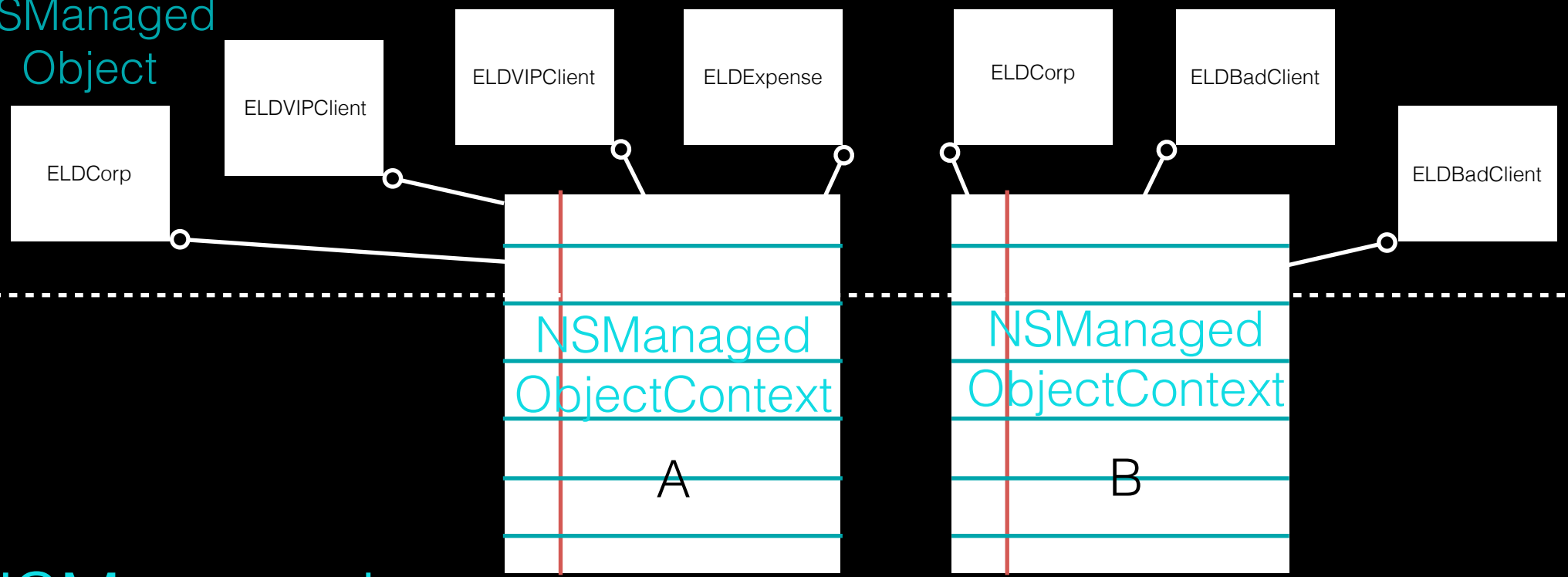
A framework for reading and writing your objects too a persistent store

Core Data Features

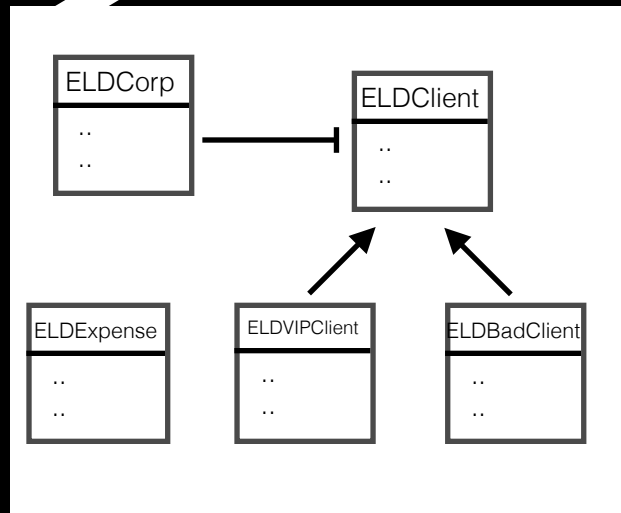
- Change tracking and undo support.
- Relationship maintenance
- Futures
- Automatic validation of property values
- Schema migration
- Optional integration with the application's controller layer to support user interface synchronization
- Full, automatic, support for key-value coding and key-value observing
- Grouping, filtering, and organizing data in memory and in the user interface

App

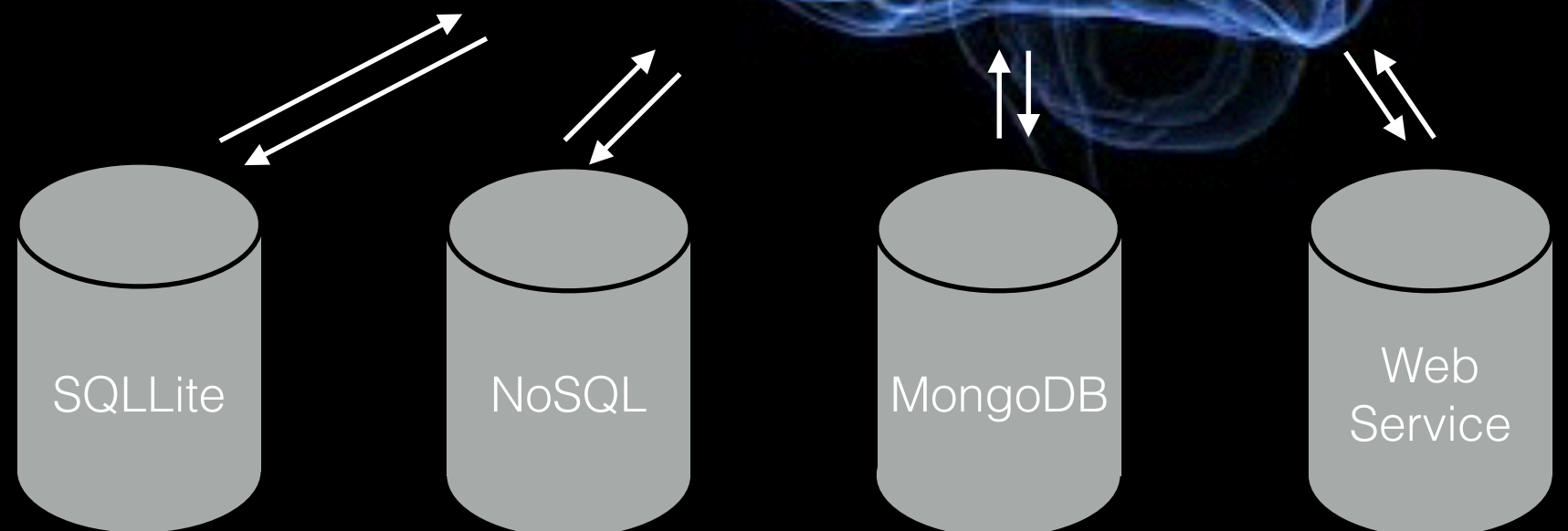
NSManaged
Object



NSManaged
ObjectModel

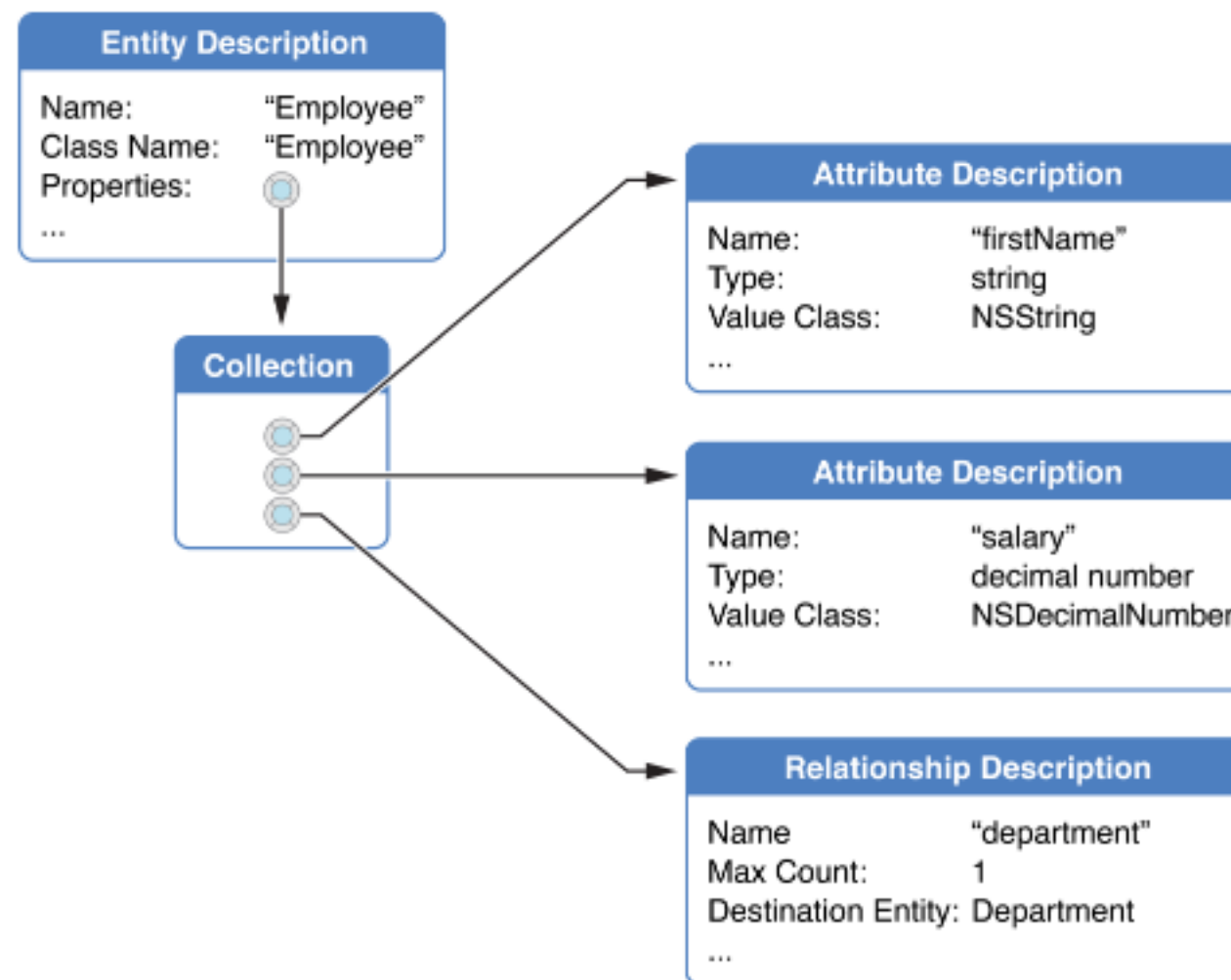


NSPersistant
StoreCoordinator



NSEntityDescription

Figure 6 Entity description with two attributes and a relationship



Inserting and Deleting

```
NSManagedObject *newEmployee;
```

```
newEmployee = [NSEntityDescription insertNewObjectForEntityForName:@"Employee"  
inManagedObjectContext:context];
```

```
[context deleteObject:employee];
```

```
[context save:&error]
```

Custom Getters and Setters

```
- (NSString *)name
{
    [self willAccessValueForKey:@"name"];

    NSString *myName = [self primitiveName];

    [self didAccessValueForKey:@"name"];

    return myName;
}

- (void)setName:(NSString *)newName
{
    [self willChangeValueForKey:@"name"];

    [self setPrimitiveName:newName];

    [self didChangeValueForKey:@"name"];
}
```

```
- (void)addEmployeesObject:(Employee *)value
{
    NSMutableSet *changedObjects = [[NSMutableSet alloc]
                                     initWithObjects:&value count:1];

    [self willChangeValueForKey:@"employees"
         withSetMutation:NSMutableSetUnionSetMutation
         usingObjects:changedObjects];

    [[self primitiveEmployees] addObject:value];

    [self didChangeValueForKey:@"employees"
         withSetMutation:NSMutableSetUnionSetMutation
         usingObjects:changedObjects];
}

- (void)removeEmployeesObject:(Employee *)value
{
    NSMutableSet *changedObjects = [[NSMutableSet alloc]
                                     initWithObjects:&value count:1];

    [self willChangeValueForKey:@"employees"
         withSetMutation:NSMutableSetMinusSetMutation
         usingObjects:changedObjects];

    [[self primitiveEmployees] removeObject:value];

    [self didChangeValueForKey:@"employees"
         withSetMutation:NSMutableSetMinusSetMutation
         usingObjects:changedObjects];
}
```

```
- (void)addEmployees:(NSSet *)value
{
    [self willChangeValueForKey:@"employees" withSetMutation:NSKeyValueUnionSetMutation
usingObjects:value];

    [[self primitiveEmployees] unionSet:value];

    [self didChangeValueForKey:@"employees" withSetMutation:NSKeyValueUnionSetMutation
usingObjects:value];
}

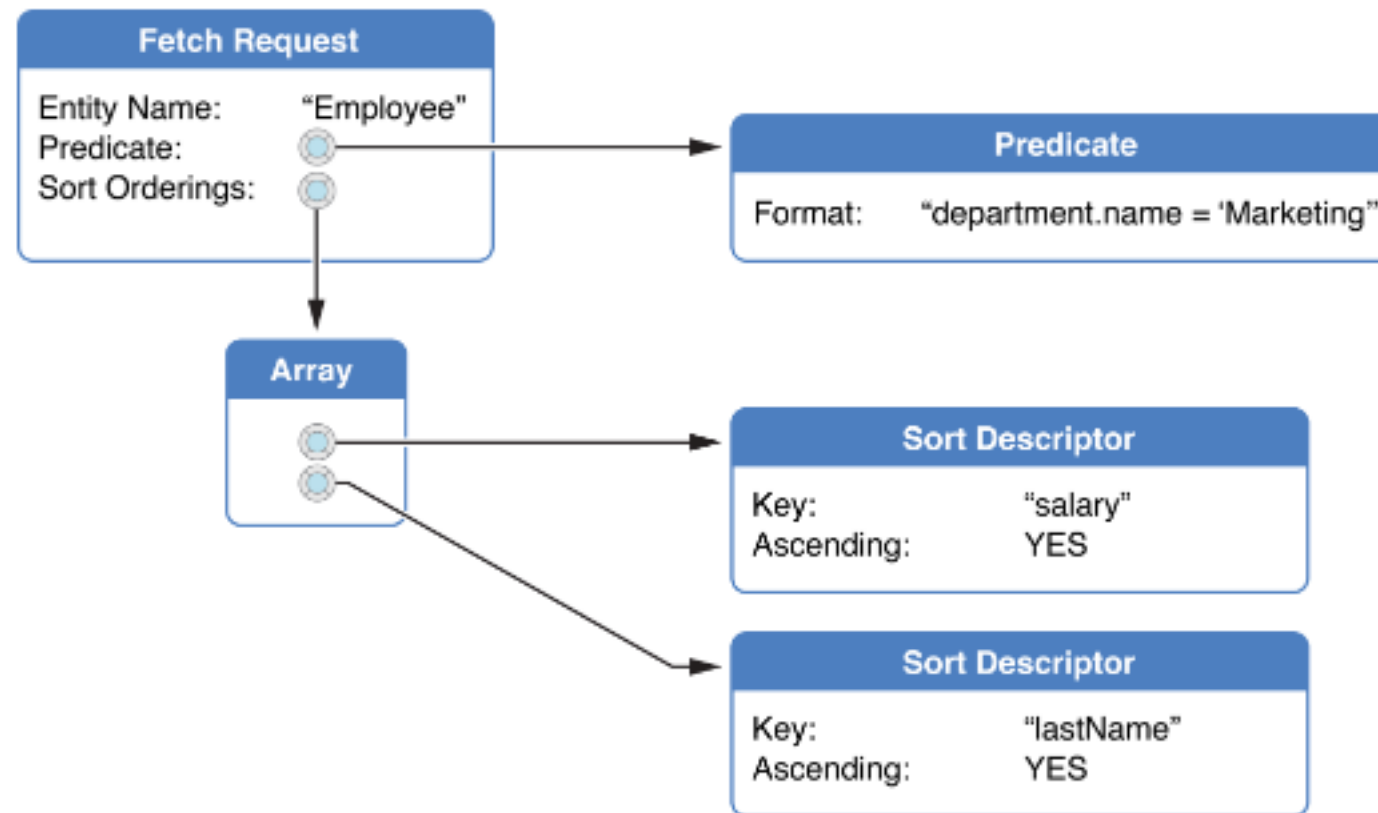
- (void)removeEmployees:(NSSet *)value
{
    [self willChangeValueForKey:@"employees" withSetMutation:NSKeyValueMinusSetMutation
usingObjects:value];

    [[self primitiveEmployees] minusSet:value];

    [self didChangeValueForKey:@"employees" withSetMutation:NSKeyValueMinusSetMutation
usingObjects:value];
}
```

Fetch Requests

Figure 3 An example fetch request



- 3 Components:
1. Entity
 2. Predicate (filter)
 3. Sort Descriptors (ordering)

NSPredicate

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"(lastName like[cd] %@) AND (birthday > %@)", lastNameSearchString, birthdaySearchDate];
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"lastName like[c] \"S*\""];
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"anAttribute == %@", [NSNumber numberWithInt:aBool]];
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"%K like %@", attributeName, attributeValue];
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"lastName like[c] $LAST_NAME"];
[predicateTemplate predicateWithSubstitutionVariables:[NSDictionary dictionaryWithObject:@"Turner" forKey:@"LAST_NAME"]];
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"date = $DATE"];
[predicate predicateWithSubstitutionVariables:[NSDictionary dictionaryWithObject:[NSNull null] forKey:@"DATE"]];
```

```
[NSMutableArray arrayWithObjects:@"Nick", @"Ben", @"Adam", @"Melissa", nil];
NSPredicate *bPredicate = [NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"SELF beginswith[c] 'a'"];
NSArray *beginWithB = [array filteredArrayUsingPredicate:bPredicate];
// beginWithB contains { @"Adam" }.
NSPredicate *sPredicate = [NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"SELF contains[c] 'e'"];
[array filterUsingPredicate:sPredicate];
// array now contains { @"Nick", @"Ben", @"Melissa" }
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"ANY employees.firstName like 'Matthew'"];
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"(firstName == %@) || (firstName = nil)", firstName]
```

```
[NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"attributeName BETWEEN %@", @[1, 10]]
```

```
NSManagedObjectContext *moc = [self managedObjectContext];

NSEntityDescription *entityDescription = [NSEntityDescription entityForName:@"Employee"
inManagedObjectContext:moc];

NSFetchRequest *request = [[NSFetchRequest alloc] init];

[request setEntity:entityDescription];

// Set example predicate and sort orderings...

NSNumber *minimumSalary = ...;

NSPredicate *predicate = [NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"(lastName LIKE[c] 'Worsley') AND (salary > %@)",
minimumSalary];

[request setPredicate:predicate];

NSSortDescriptor *sortDescriptor = [[NSSortDescriptor alloc] initWithKey:@"firstName" ascending:YES];

[request setSortDescriptors:@[sortDescriptor]];

NSError *error;

NSArray *array = [moc executeFetchRequest:request error:&error];

if (array == nil)
{
    // Deal with error...
}
```


Fetch Results Controller

You use a fetched results controller to efficiently manage the results returned from a Core Data fetch request to provide data for a `UITableView` object.

- Offers change tracking
- Can cache results

```
fetchRequest = [NSFetchRequest fetchRequestWithEntityName:@"Employee"];
sortDescriptor = [[NSSortDescriptor alloc] initWithKey:@"lastName" ascending:YES];
[fetchRequest setSortDescriptors:@[sortDescriptor]];

controller = [[NSFetchedResultsController alloc] initWithFetchRequest:fetchRequest
                                                    managedObjectContext:_managedObjectContext
                                                    sectionNameKeyPath:@"department.name"
                                                    cacheName:nil];

[controller performFetch:&error]
```

Blocks

Implementation

```
^ {  
    NSLog(@"This is a block");  
}
```

Definition

```
void (^simpleBlock)(void);  
double (^additionBlock)(double, double)
```

```
simpleBlock = ^  
{  
    NSLog(@"This is a block");  
};
```

Invocation

```
simpleBlock();
```

Blocks can capture
variables from the
enclosing scope

```
NSString* name = @"Bob"  
simpleBlock = ^  
{  
    NSLog(@"Hello %@", name);  
};
```

AFNetworking



“AFNetworking is a delightful networking library for iOS and Mac OS X. It's built on top of the Foundation URL Loading System, extending the powerful high-level networking abstractions built into Cocoa. It has a modular architecture with well-designed, feature-rich APIs that are a joy to use.”

<https://github.com/AFNetworking/AFNetworking.git>

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Homework

- 1) Create a sorting button for the employees tab that sorts the employees by position.
- 2) Create a positions tab
- 3) Make the Departments table cells selectable such that they navigate you to a new page with information about that department. (also Listing its employees)
- 4) Add the ability to add employees from the employees tab

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