

Lecture-5

- ViewController lifecycle
- Multiple MVC's
 - UITabBarController
 - UISplitViewController
 - UINavigationController
- Demo

View Controller life cycle

- View Controller has a 'life cycle'

Sequence of methods that get called at some certain time throughout his life cycle

- Why is that important?

In order to do some certain work you must override some methods in View Controller life cycle

- The start of the life cycle

Creation of the ViewController.

Most of the time it's created in storyboard.

Very rarely created in code

View Controller life cycle

- Preparation

This happens if VC is being segued to. Otherwise, it goes with outlet setting after creation

- Outlets get set

- Appearing and disappearing

This can happen multiple times

- Geometry changes

This happens whenever our device is changing it's orientation

- Low memory situations

Almost never happens. If it did, it means your app is consuming a lot memory and you might want to free up some

View Controller life cycle

- After outlets setting, `viewDidLoad` is called

This is a good place to put all of your set-up code.

```
override func viewDidLoad() {  
    super.viewDidLoad()  
    // do some set up of your MVC  
}
```

One thing you may want to do here is updating your UI, because you are 100% sure that your outlets are set.

DO NOT do here anything related to your geometry. Because you are not sure at this point, what screen size will be established here.

View Controller life cycle

- Right before your view appears on screen, `viewWillAppear` is called

```
override func viewWillAppear(_ animated: Bool) {  
    super.viewWillAppear(true)  
    // put something here  
}
```

This method gets called a lot over time. So **DO NOT** put here something that should be on `viewDidLoad`. Otherwise you will be doing unnecessary things

Do something here if things you display is changing, while your screen is OFF. You can also start something expensive in this method, like starting a new thread

View Controller life cycle

- After your view is on screen, `viewDidAppear` is called

```
override func viewDidAppear(_ animated: Bool) {  
    super.viewDidAppear(true)  
    // put something here  
}
```

Here is not so much to do, but it's may be the good place to start your animation though. Because you know that you're fully on screen, to be interacted with something.

View Controller life cycle

- You also get notified when you will disappear

```
override func viewWillDisAppear(_ animated: Bool) {  
    viewWillDisAppear(true)
```

```
    // do some clean up code here
```

```
    // do not do something time-consuming
```

```
}
```

- 'did' version of disappearing

```
override func viewDidDisappear(_ animated: Bool) {  
    viewDidDisappear(true)
```

```
    // usually you undo the things in viewWillAppear
```

```
}
```


View Controller life cycle

👁 Geometry changes?

Most of the time this is handled by AutoLayout

But you can get involved with these methods

`override func viewWillAppearSubviews()`

`override func viewDidLayoutSubviews()`

This methods get called whenever your **bounds** change, and your view's **subviews** must be layed-out

AutoLayout happens in between this two methods.

This can happen repeatedly. Not only because of due to the rotation. Even if your bounds don't change, this methods can be called.

View Controller life cycle

👁 Autorotation

User can change the orientation switching it to portrait or landscape.

If you want to participate in autorotation...

```
func viewWillTransition(  
    to size: CGSize,  
    with coordinator: UIViewControllerTransitionCoordinator  
)
```

Size is the new size for the container's view.

The transition coordinator object managing the size change. You can use this object to animate your changes.

View Controller life cycle

- In low-memory cases, you get notified also ...

```
override func didReceiveMemoryWarning() {  
    super.didReceiveMemoryWarning()
```

```
    // the things that can be recreated should be released here
```

```
    // just set your big objects in the heap to be nil
```

```
    // this is rarely happens, because iPhones have a lot of memory this days
```

```
}
```


View Controller life cycle

• `awakeFromNib`

This method is sent to all of the objects that come out of the storyboard.

Happens before `viewDidLoad`, before outlets are set, even before preparation

View Controller life cycle

• Overview

Creation(usually from the storyboard)

awakeFromNib

segue preparation

outlets are set

viewDidLoad

appearing and disappearing

geometry changes

didReceiveMemoryWarning

Multiple MVCs

- Time to build more powerful apps
to do this must combine MVC's
- iOS actually provides us some multiple MVCs
 - UINavigationController
 - UITabBarController
 - UISplitViewController
- You can create your own multiple MVCs
But we will not do this in this class

UITabBarController

- Let's user to choose between different MVCs
There can be some number of MVCs and they appearances are controller by little tabs at the bottom



WorldClock MVC

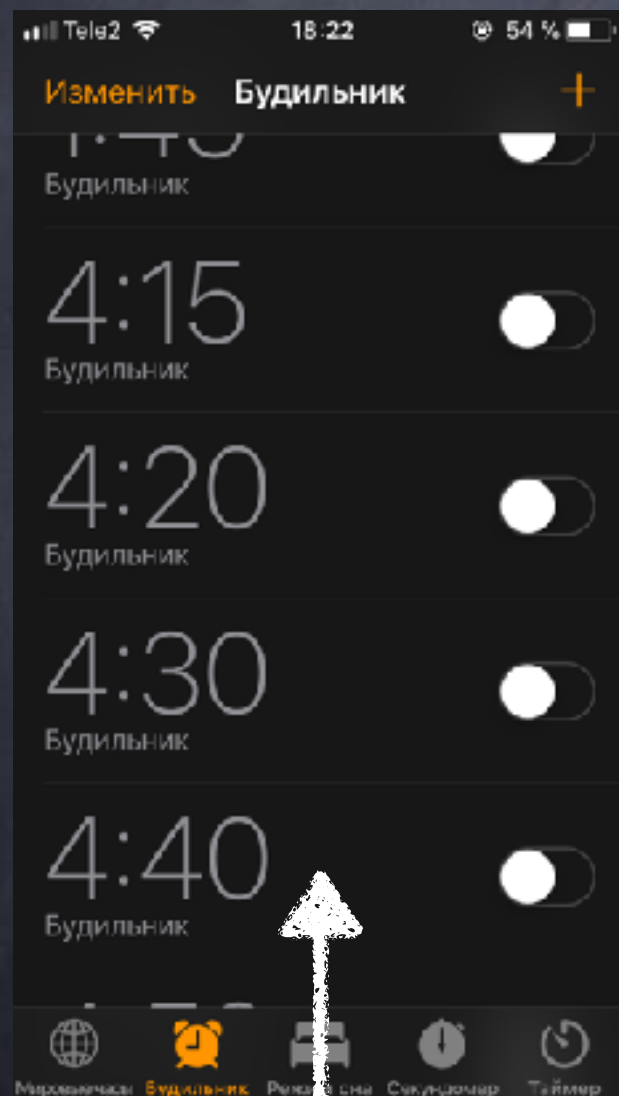
This whole space is controlled by WorldClock ViewController, **NOT UITabBarController**

Even the title and the icon of the tab is controlled by WorldClockViewController with special property:
`var tabBarItem: UITabBarItem!`

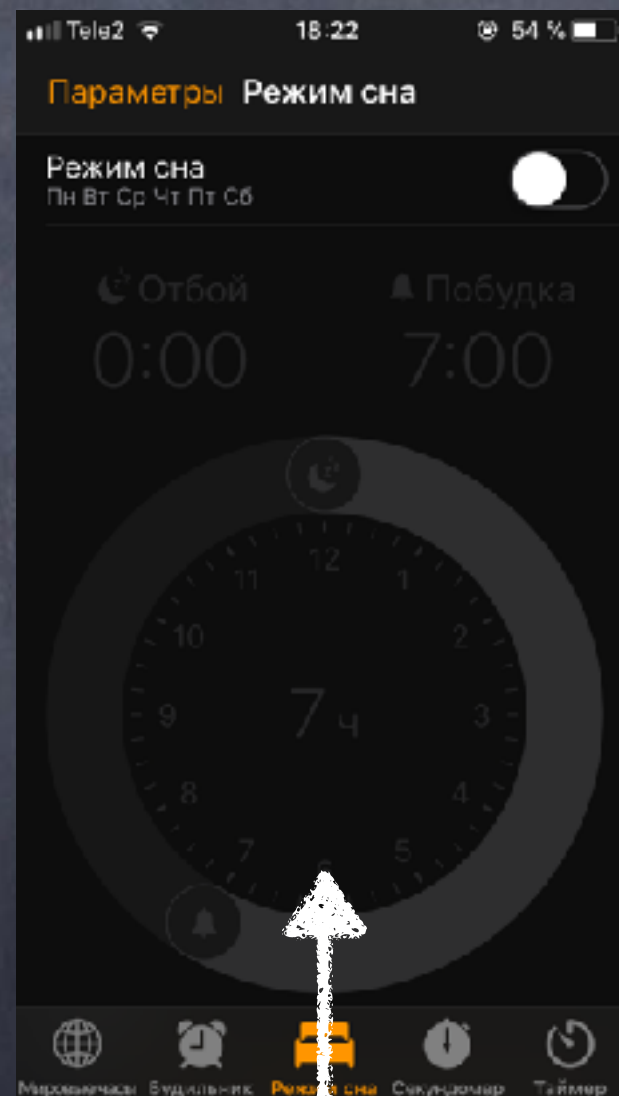
But usually we set them in storyboard

UITabBarController

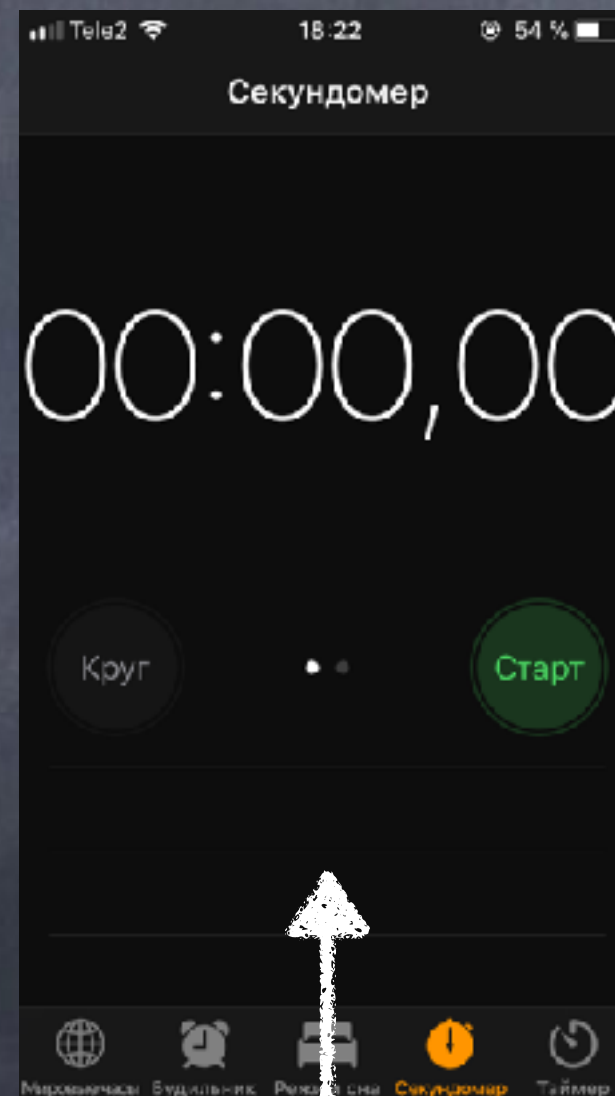
A new tab is a completely difference MVCs



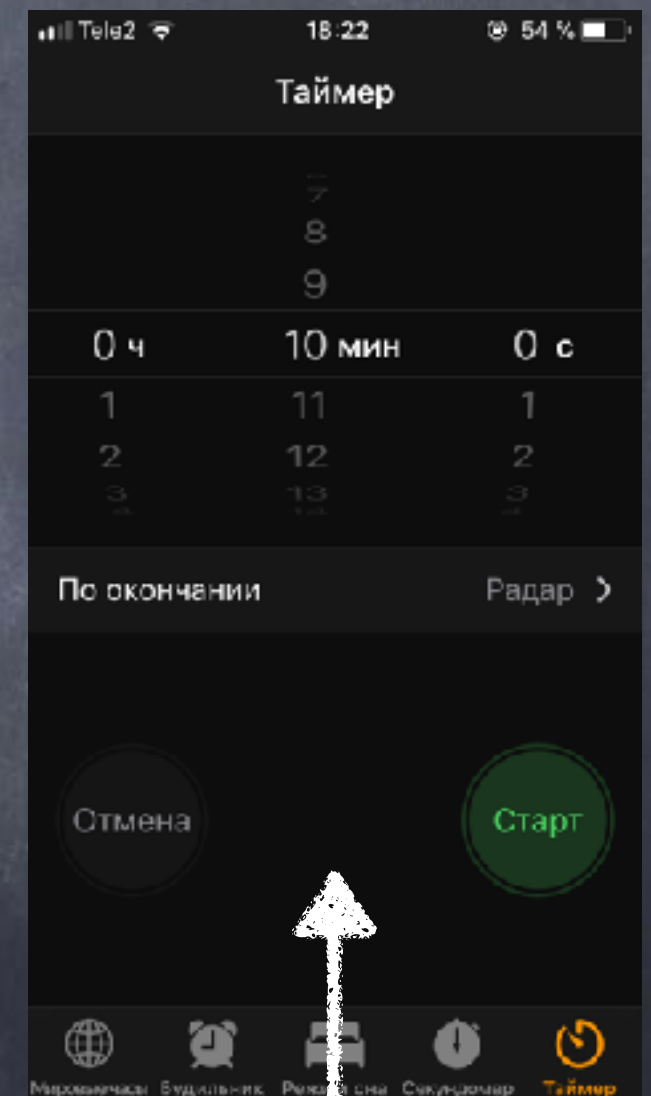
Alarm MVC



BedTime MVC



StopWatch MVC

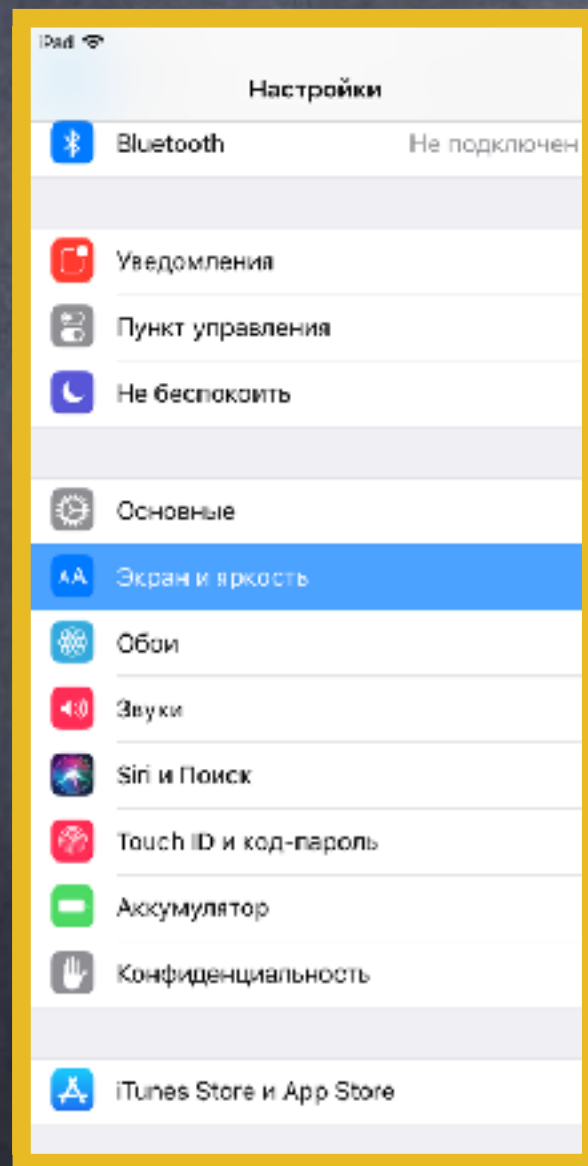


Timer MVC

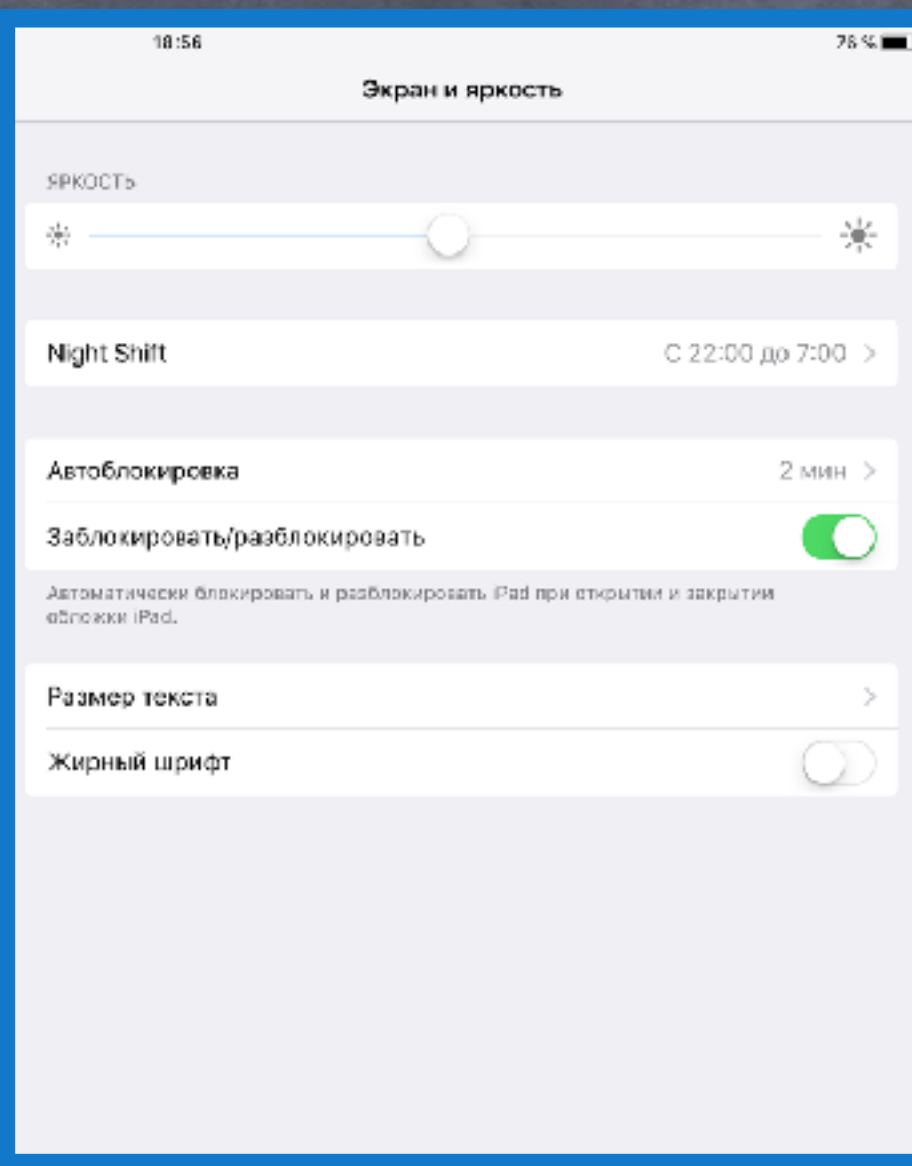
UISplitViewController

Puts two MVCs side by side

Master



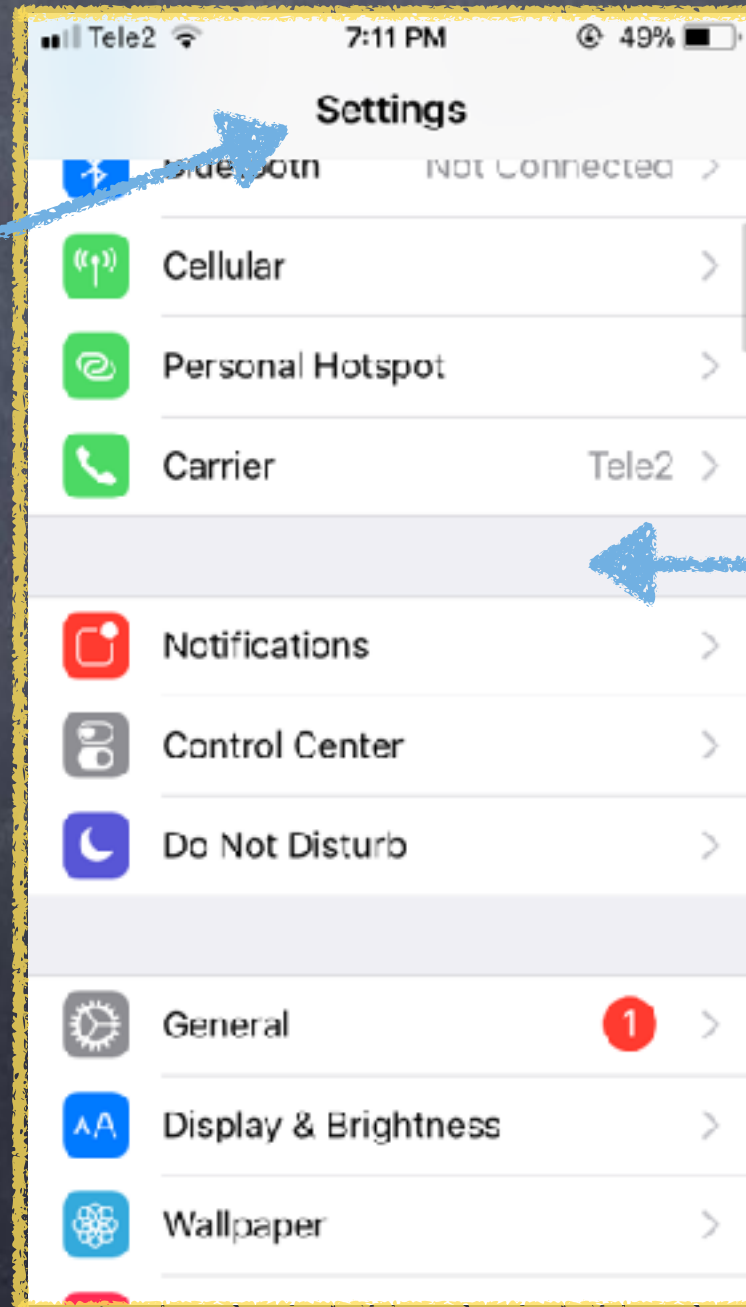
Detail



UINavigationController

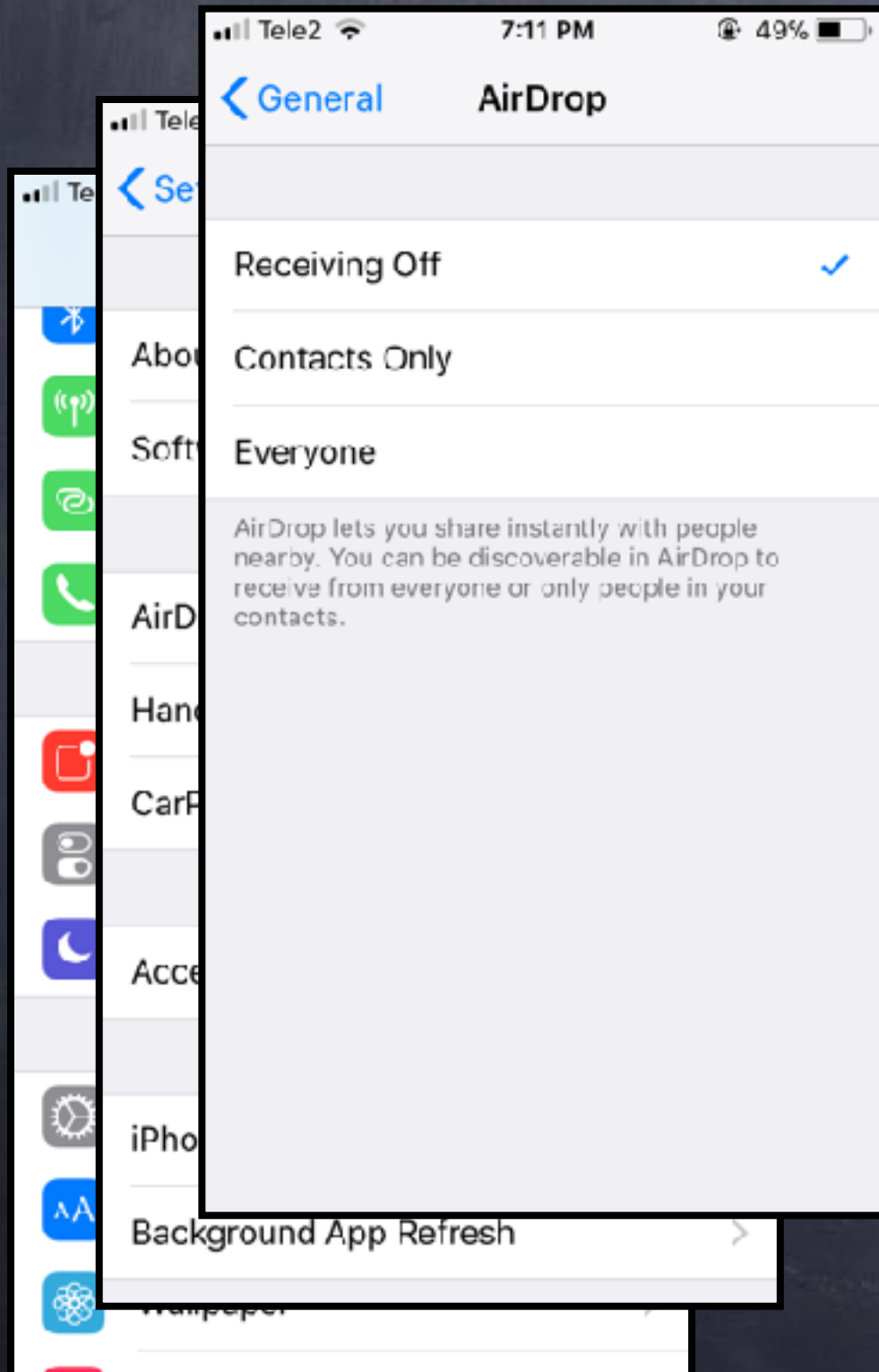
Pushes and pops the MVCs off of a stack of cards

This title appearance
is controlled by
`navigationController`
But it's content is
controlled by currently
Displayed ViewController
Each MVC communicates
With this title content by
UIViewController's
`navigationItem` property



All settings MVC

UINavigationController



- Now my stack (UINavigationController) has 3 MVCs on top of each other
- Whenever we segue to another MVC, It gets pushed to the stack
- Whenever we go back, my current MVC gets popped from the stack FOREVER

Demo