

Core Data iOS 7

Core Data has been upgraded significantly in iOS7. [Read](#)
Create a searchable contact database with Core Data.

[Core Data is only available in Blank, Utility and Master/Detail projects]

- 1) Create New Blank Project, Select Core Data, Name CoreData
- 2) Name CoreData and add entities for coredat
 - a. Select CoreData.xcdatamodeld
 - b. Under Entities Select CoreData and Rename to Contact
 - c. FullName – String
 - d. Email – String
 - e. Phone – String
- 3) Add StoryBoard
- 4) Add ViewController
- 5) Add UIViewController Class and bind to View
- 6) Modify delegate.m launchOptions. Comment out all lines except return YES;
– (BOOL)application:(UIApplication *)application
didFinishLaunchingWithOptions:(NSDictionary *)launchOptions
{
 // self.window = [[UIWindow alloc] initWithFrame:[UIScreen
mainScreen] bounds]];
 // Override point for customization after application
launch.
 //self.window.backgroundColor = [UIColor whiteColor];
 // [self.window makeKeyAndVisible];
 return YES;
}
7) Add Objects to View
- 8) Bind outlets and actions to .h and .m
- 9) Add #import “[nameofproject]appdelegate.h” into [nameofviewController].h

10)Add code to save

```
- (IBAction)btnSave:(id)sender {
    CoreDataAppDelegate *appDelegate =
        [[UIApplication sharedApplication] delegate];

    NSManagedObjectContext *context =
        [appDelegate managedObjectContext];
    NSManagedObject *newContact;
    newContact = [NSEntityDescription
        insertNewObjectForEntityForName:@"Contacts"
        inManagedObjectContext:context];
    [newContact setValue: fullname.text forKey:@"fname"];
    [newContact setValue: email.text forKey:@"email"];
    [newContact setValue: phone.text forKey:@"phone"];
    fullname.text = @"";
    email.text = @"";
    phone.text = @"";
    NSError *error;
    [context save:&error];
    status.text = @"Contact saved";
}
```

11)Add code to find

```
- (IBAction)btnFind:(id)sender {
    CoreDataAppDelegate *appDelegate =
    [[UIApplication sharedApplication] delegate];

    NSManagedObjectContext *context =
    [appDelegate managedObjectContext];

    NSEntityDescription *entityDesc =
    [NSEntityDescription entityForName:@"Contacts"
     inManagedObjectContext:context];

    NSFetchRequest *request = [[NSFetchRequest alloc] init];
    [request setEntity:entityDesc];
    //http://stackoverflow.com/questions/2036094/case-
    insensitive-core-data-contains-or-beginswith-constraint
    //https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/documentation/Cocoa/Conceptual/Predicates/Articles/pSyntax.html
    NSPredicate *pred =
    [NSPredicate predicateWithFormat:@"(fname CONTAINS[cd] %@)",
     fullname.text];
    [request setPredicate:pred];
    NSManagedObjectContext *matches = nil;

    NSError *error;
    NSArray *objects = [context executeFetchRequest:request
                                                                error:&error];

    if ([objects count] == 0) {
        status.text = @"No matches";
    } else {
        matches = objects[0];
        fullname.text = [matches valueForKey:@"fname"];
        email.text = [matches valueForKey:@"email"];
        phone.text = [matches valueForKey:@"phone"];
        status.text = [NSString stringWithFormat:
                       @"%lu matches found", (unsigned
long)[objects count]];
    }
}
```