ELE 470 - Mobile Development

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1 Introduction

The purpose of this first homework is to familiarize with the XCode environment. The version of XCode used is the 4.3.1., the tests were launched on the iOs Simulator (iPhone 5.1).

The but of the application is to enable the user to enter his name, and to change the value of a label according to the value he entered in the text-field.

2 Methods

Using the library found on the website of Apple Developper and the textbook Beginning iOS 5 Development, I developed a simple-view application with some graphics elements.

The application is composed of 6 main elements:

- A label
- A text-field
- A button
- An empty label at the launch of the application
- An UImageView with the logo of the URI

In order to see how does Objective C look like, event handlers were also developped. When the user click on the button, the empty text-field is set with a text "Name typed I know you clicked!"

There is also an other event on the keyboard : when the user press the Done button, the keyboard closes. It is not an event that is surcharged by defaut.



FIGURE 1 – Interface before typing a name in the textfield

All the events are surcharged in the view controller. The methods are first declared in the head file (.h files) and the implementations are in the source code file (.m files). We can see that an instruction is written in this way : object methodToCall :(parameters)

It's definitely a very particular semantic. In object-oriented languages such as Java or C++, we are more used to see object.methodToCall(parameters).

3 Conclusion

The storyboard is very useful to construct interfaces and to separate GUI and domain layer. Objective-C looks similar to C++ concerning the gestion of memory but its semantic looks more complex.



Figure 2 – Interface after typing a name in the text field