Exercises

Built-In Collections

Open CollectionMethods.playground. You will find sample dictionary where keys are names of students and values are arrays of remarks for them:

Perform following exercises using built-in methods from Sequence / Collection protocol (i.e. map, filter, reduce, etc.).

NOTE: Every single exercise should be solved with 1 line of code (even if it may not be highly readable).

- 1. Create an array of tuples where first element of tuple is the student name and second is his max remark.
 - (*) In Swift 4 and Xcode 9, create dictionary where keys are student names and values are their max remarks.
- 2. Calculate sum of all remarks.
- 3. Calculate mean of all remarks
- 4. Return list of names of students that does not have any 1 with the exception for first remark. In other words, having 1 as a first remark is acceptable if the student does not have any more 1's.
 - (*) Sort the list by student's surnames. You can assume that every student's name has following form: "<firstName><space><surname>"

Sequence & Collection

- 1. Create generic StackProtocol protocol with two methods: push and pop.
- 2. Create implementation of this protocol -> generic Stack<T> struct. You can use array as an internal storage for the stack.
 - (*) Additionally make the type conform to two more protocols:
 - a. ExpressibleByArrayLiteral
 - b. CustomDebugStringConvertible
- 3. Make Stack struct conform to Sequence protocol. Make sure Stack is NOT an unstable sequence.
- 4. Create Fibonacci Sequence (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ...), make it conform to Sequence.
 - (*) You can try to achieve this by not creating dedicated FibonacciIterator type, but by using AnyIterator.
- 5. If you implemented it correctly, FibonacciSequence is infinite. What happens if you call reversed() method on it?
- 6. Make Stack struct from points 1 3 conform to Collection.

Specialized Collections

1. Implement binary search algorithm so that it is available for as many collections as possible. It should be the method in Collection that returns optional index of the element (or nil if not found).

ASSUMPTIONS / REQUIREMENTS:

Assume the collection is sorted by the time of calling the method.

The method should have O(log n) complexity where n is the count of the Collection. HINTS:

- a. Do you need any specialized collection (take performance requirements into account)?
- b. Do you need any requirements imposed on the elements / indices of the collection?

Lazy Collections

- 1. Reuse the dictionary from Built-in Collections group (i.e. the one with students and their remarks). Inspect what is the **type** (you can the type by Alt-click on the variable) of:
 - a. keys property
 - b. values property
 - c. result of performing dictionary.keys.map (e.g. creating array of counts of characters in students' names)
 - d. result of performing dictionary.values.filter (e.g. filtering out remarks that contain at least one 1)
- 2. print results from point 1.c and 1.d.
 - a. Do you get readable results?
 - b. Access first element from each result
 - c. Turn these results into arrays, using dedicated initializer from Array.

Ranges

- 1. Create sample:
 - a. Range
 - b. ClosedRange
 - c. CountableRange
 - d. CountableClosedRange
- 2. Fill the following table with name of Range type OR with true / false

Expression	<5.0	5.0	5.0
Type of range			
Contains 4.0 ?			
Contains 5.0 ?			
Contains 6.0 ?			

3. Fill the following table with true/false by guesses. Then, verify your guesses (either by checking documentation or directly in code).

Туре	Seugence	Finite Sequence	Collection
Range			
ClosedRange			
CountableRange			
CountableClosedRange			
PartialRangeUpTo			
PartialRangeThrough			
PartialRangeFrom			
CountablePartialRangeFrom			

Slices & SubSequences

- 1. Create some dummy class that has one property to identify itself (preferably of String type) and prints a message (including the identifier) when being deinitialized.
- 2. Create var optional array of the dummy class and provide some initial data for it (at least 3 objects)

- 3. Get slice of the array e.g. dummyArray?[1...2] and it assign to some variable (name it slice). What is the type of this variable?
- 4. What will happen if you do slice? [0] ?
- 5. Nilify the array variable (NOT slice). Which objects get deinitialized?
- 6. Replace some object in the slice. Which objects get deinitialized?
- 7. Create sample dictionary and get some slice of it. What is the type of slice of Dictionary?
- 8. In Slices.playground you will find a function that checks if all elements of array are equal:

```
func allElementsEqual(array: Array<Int>) -> Bool {
    guard let firstElement = array.first else {
        // Empty array is considered as having all elements equal
        return true
    }
    for element in array.dropFirst() {
        if element != firstElement {
            return false
        }
    }
    return true
}
```

You should not modify function body (i.e. implementation) while doing a) - c). NOTE: You can impose some restrictions on generic types used by Collection or Sequence.

- a. Improve the function so that it could be called on types like Double and String
- b. Improve the function from point a) so that it can also accept slices
- c. Change the function to not be global, but rather defined in extension on Collection.
- d. (*) Modify function body so that you can define the function in extension on Sequence.
- 9. Print, what is the type of:
 - a. Array<String>.SubSequence
 - b. Set < Int > . Sub Sequence
 - c. Dictionary < Double, Bool > . Sub Sequence

Hashable Requirement

- 1. Implement scenario of breaking dictionary. In order to do it:
 - Create some class with some var property/-ies.
 - Make the class conforming to Hashable. Calculate hashValue, basing on some of the properties.
 - Create sample instances of the class.
 - Put these instances as keys of some dictionary.
 - Modify one of the property that hashValue depends on in one of the sample instances.
 - Check if the instance is still reported as being contained within dictionary.

Optionals

- 1. Create sample array of sth (Ints, Strings, whatever you want) that also contains nils. What is the type of the array? What is the type of .first property?
- 2. Create sample dictionary where some of the values are nil (keys could be anything). What is the type of the dictionary? What is the type of dict[<key>]?
- 3. Is it possible to create dictionary where one (but no more) of the **keys** is nil? Find out by trying to create such dictionary.
- 4. (*) Let's assume we want to implement reduce1 function in extension on Array. The function works just like reduce, but instead of taking an initial value, it uses the first element in the array. If the array is empty, reduce1 returns nil. Implement reduce1 function, using mapping of optionals. HINT: You can try to implement this function without using optional mapping first, and then modifying the function to use optional mapping. Example calls:

```
["a", "b", "c"].reduce1(+) // Optional("abc")
([] as [String]).reduce1(+) // nil
```

5. (*) Implement function that checks whether two arrays of optional items are equal. Type wrapped by optional should be the same in both arrays. Example calls:

```
optionalArraysEqual(["a", "b", nil], ["a", "b", nil]) // true
optionalArraysEqual([nil] as [Int?], [nil, nil] as [Int?]) // false
```

Copy-on-write

- 1. Create variable array of Strings and add didSet property observer (yes, you can define property observers not only on properties, but on normal variables as well) that prints something, when the variable is changed. Create similar variable array of NSMutableStrings (with didSet as well). Call <array>[0].append("someString") on both arrays. Which didSet fired? NOTE: The results of this exercise will be different in Swift 3 and Swift 4.
- 2. Use some pure Swift class alongside with isKnownUniquelyReferenced() function to create StackCOW struct that conforms to StackProtocol from Sequence & Collection group and has copy-on-write semantics.

HINT: You can use following code as a test case:

NOTE: Of course using simple struct without COW will pass the test case, but that is not desired in this exercise:)

Generics

1. Implement two versions of isSubset(of otherSequence: XXX) method on Sequence. Each method should be defined in separate extension.

There should be two specialized versions of the method for:

- a. first version should take array of elements that implement Hashable
- b. second version should take array of elements that does not implement ${\tt Hashable},$ only ${\tt Equatable}$
- 2. Check if the correct version of your method is picked, by calling isSubset(of:) twice: one with array of objects that implement Hashable and second with array of objects that implement Equatable
 - HINT: Create your own dummy type that is Equatable, but not Hashable OR use UIViewAnimationOptions.
- 3. Open Generics.playground. You will find an extension on Collection that bubble sorts the collection. However, the function does not compile. Without modifying implementation (i.e. function body) but only by adding generic constraints to extension, make it compile.
 - a. (*) After you make it compile, add some more constraints so that the bubble sort is available only for collections that guarantee $O(n^2)$ execution time. HINT: In LinkedList.playground you will find a MutableCollection that will NOT execute bubbleSort in $O(n^2)$ time (you can copy the code and find out ;))

- 4. Check if you can extend Array so that it conforms to Equatable if type of Elements it holds conforms to Equatable.
- 5. Try to assign system swap function to some variable. Is it possible?
 - a. Try to create intSwap variable that holds a function that is able to swap two Ints. Can you assign swap to intSwap variable now?

Protocols

- 1. Implement sample scenario for static VS dynamic dispatch problem:
 - a. Create Bird (or WingsMovable if you are a Swift purist:)) protocol with 1 method: moveWings().
 - b. Add and extension to Bird protocol that defines: default implementation of moveWings() (it could simply print something) as well as fly() method (let's say it calls moveWings() method 10 times).
 - c. Create Penguin class that conforms to Bird and provides custom implementation of both moveWings() and fly() methods (both can simply print some custom messages).
 - d. Create sample Penguin instance and assign it to some variable. Call fly() on the variable. Which method get called default or custom?
 - e. Provide explicit type for the variable from point d. -> set it type to be Bird (instead of default, implicit Penguin). Can your Penguin fly now?:)
- 2. Implement type eraser for StackProtocol protocol (from Sequence and Collection group) -> AnyStack.
- 3. What is size of Int variable? Use MemoryLayout.size(of:) method to find out. Does the size change if you assign the variable to other variable that has the type of some protocol (like CustomStringConvertible; unfortunately SignedInteger (Swift 3) / BinaryInteger (Swift 4) can not be used as type, because it has Self requirement).
 - a. Perform similar check for String.

Mirrors

- 1. Open "Mirrors.playground". You will find a bunch of structures defined and some sample instances created. Using Mirror API, Implement findPropertyWithName(_:in:) so that the last line of the playground returns 2020.
- 2. (*) Implement sample swizzling in Swift on some classes.
- 3. (**) Implement dynamic adding of method to some Swift class.