

# From UIKit to SwiftUI

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# Goal

Rewrite a range slider from UIKit and Core Graphics into SwiftUI

# Compass RangeSeekSlider

- 👉 Based on an existing open source project
- 👉 Heavily modified to remove features we didn't need and to follow our coding style

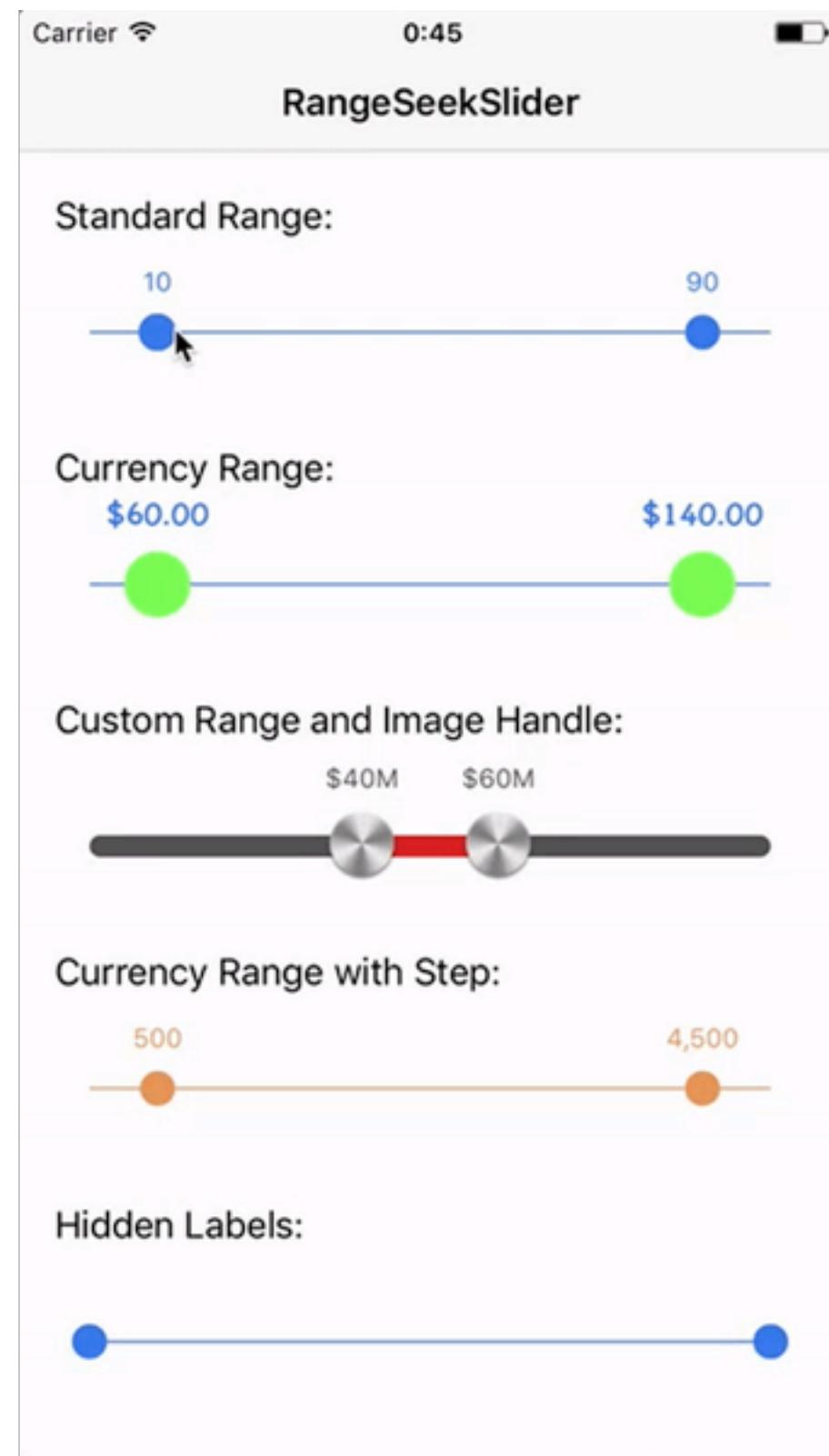
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RangeSeekSlider provides a customizable range slider like a UISlider.

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## **Lines of code**

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RangeSeekSlider 360

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RangeSeekSliderViewModel 120

Shapes

Gestures

Start Simple

And Get The

Little Details Right

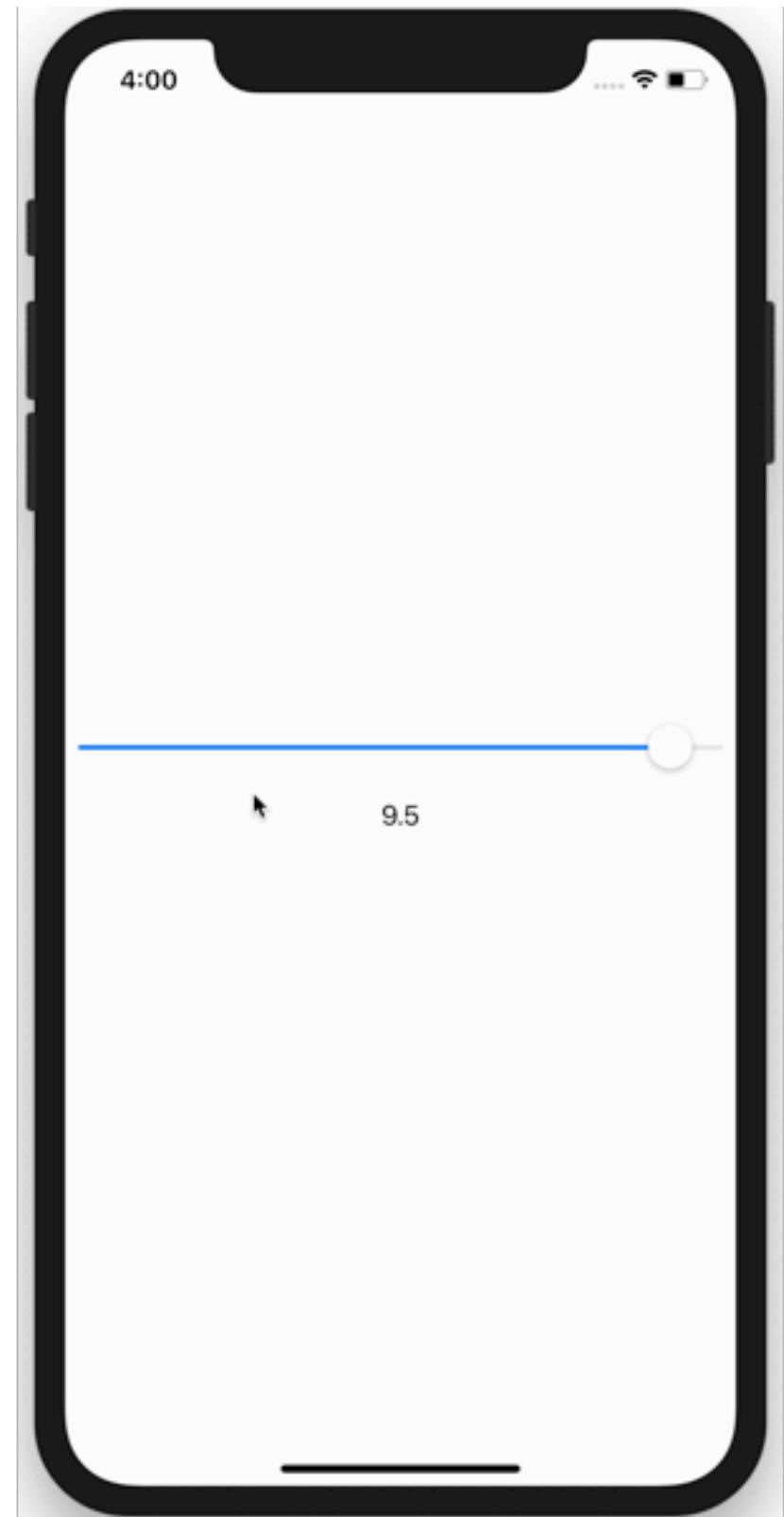


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# Goals

- 👉 Correct padding on left and right side
- 👉 Formatted text that displays the selected value



# Dependency Injection With Views

# This Will Not Compile

```
struct TestSlider : View {
    @State var selectedValue: CGFloat = 0.0
    @State var numberFormatter: NumberFormatter

    init(numberFormatter: NumberFormatter = NumberFormatter.createNumberFormatter()) {
        self.numberFormatter = numberFormatter
    }

    var body: some View {
        // removed for brevity
    }
}
```

“`@State` variables in SwiftUI  
should not be initialized from  
data you pass down through the  
initializer.”

—**Joe Groff, Senior Swift Compiler Engineer, Swift Forums**

“...since the model is maintained outside of the view, there is no guarantee that the value will really be used.”

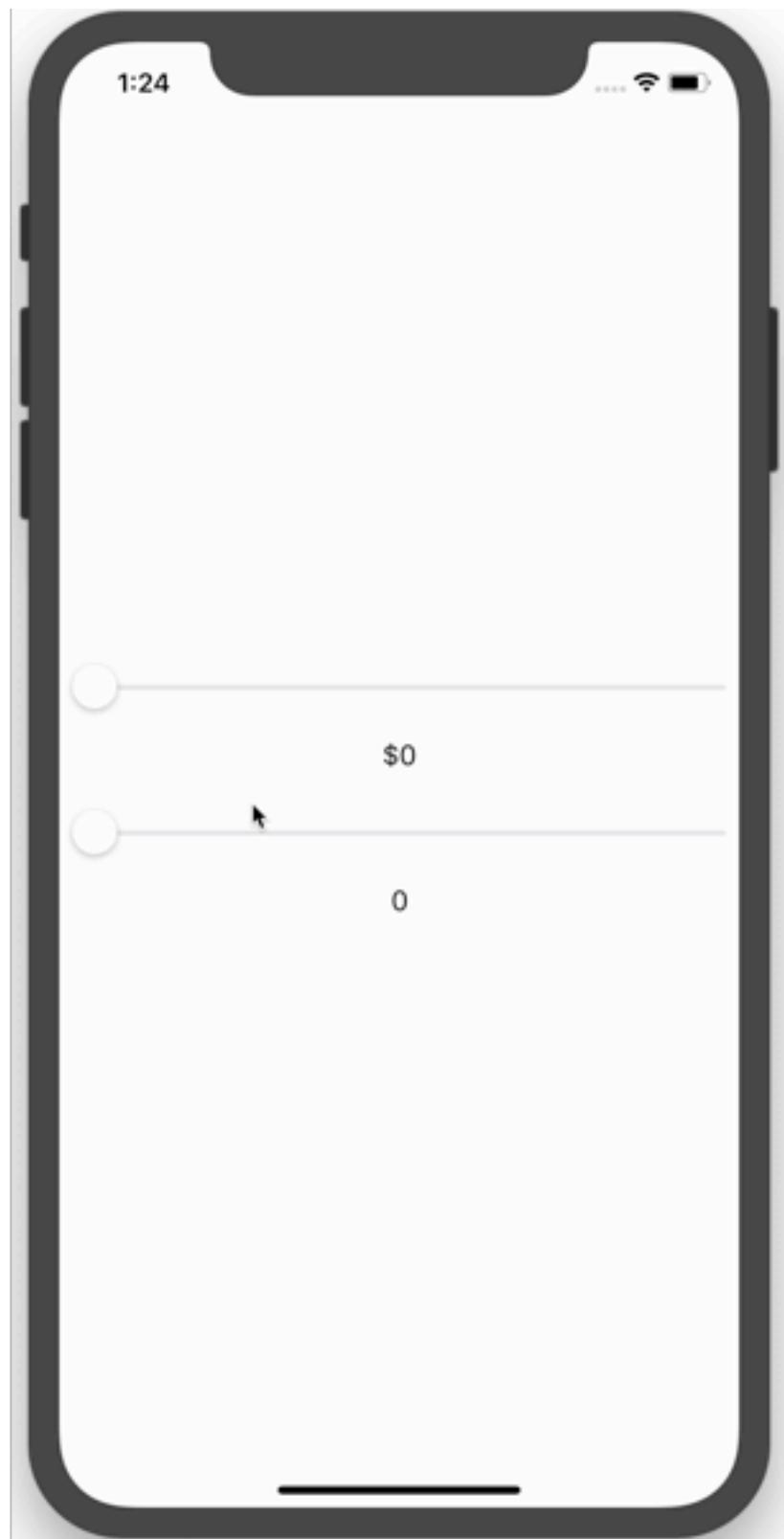
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@State Is Primarily  
Intended For  
Small-Scale UI State

```
struct TestSlider: View {
    @State private var selectedValue: CGFloat = 0.0
    private let numberFormatter: NumberFormatter
    private let minValue: CGFloat
    private let maxValue: CGFloat
    private let step: CGFloat

    init(rangeType: RangeType) {
        self.numberFormatter = rangeType.numberFormatter
        self.minValue = rangeType.minValue
        self.maxValue = rangeType.maxValue
        self.step = rangeType.step
    }

    var body: some View {
        VStack {
            Slider(value: $selectedValue, from: minValue, through: maxValue, by: step)
                .padding()
            Text(numberFormatter.string(from: selectedValue as NSNumber) ?? "")
        }
    }
}
```



# Why Not Use `@BindableObject`?

- ☞ `numberFormatter`, `min`, `max` and `step` aren't going to change once you initialize the slider
- ☞ Only one view needs access to these values

C C F ] floats?!

I thought we were breaking  
from tradition...

And leaving behind old baggage  
that didn't serve us well...



**Nick Lockwood**  
@nicklockwood



I'm a bit disappointed that SwiftUI is still using CGPoint, CGRect, etc. The ergonomics of using CGFloat with Swift are horrible, can't we just have new geometric primitives based on Doubles?

11:29 AM · Jul 9, 2019 · [Twitter Web App](#)

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# Joe Groff's Response

- 👉 CGFloat is still single-precision in arm64\_32, which is necessary for any retina display, or a non-retina display bigger than  $1024 \times 768$ .
- 👉 It's too late for shipping ABIs.
- 👉 "change CGFloat.h so that CGFloat is always double on not-yet-defined platforms" might be a good action to take.

Simplie

Gestures

```
override func beginTracking(_ touch: UITouch, with event: UIEvent?) -> Bool {  
    super.beginTracking(touch, with: event)  
    // calculations  
  
    guard isTouchingLeftHandle || isTouchingRightHandle else {  
        return false  
    }  
    // assign handleTracking to .left or .right  
  
    return true  
}
```

```
override func continueTracking(_ touch: UITouch, with event: UIEvent?) -> Bool {
    super.continueTracking(touch, with: event)
    guard handleTracking != .none else {
        return false
    }

    let location = touch.location(in: self)

    var percentage: CGFloat = 0
    var selectedValue: CGFloat = 0
    percentage = (location.x - sliderLine.frame.minX - handleDiameter / 2) / (sliderLine.frame.maxX - sliderLine.frame.minX)
    selectedValue = max(percentage * (viewModel maxValue - viewModel minValue) + viewModel minValue, viewModel minValue)

    switch handleTracking {
    case .left:
        viewModel.selectedMinValue = min(selectedValue, viewModel.selectedMaxValue)
    case .right:
        viewModel.selectedMaxValue = max(selectedValue, viewModel.selectedMinValue)
    case .none:
        break
    }

    refresh()

    return true
}
```

```
override func endTracking(_ touch: UITouch?, with event: UIEvent?) {  
    super.endTracking(touch, with: event)  
    handleTracking = .none  
    initialTouchPoint = CGPoint.zero  
    strokePhase = .notStarted  
    trackedTouch = nil  
}
```

“SwiftUI doesn't invoke the updating callback when the user ends or cancels a gesture. Instead, the gesture state property automatically resets its state back to its initial value.”

—**SwiftUI Documentation**

“SwiftUI only invokes the  
onEnded(\_:) callback when the  
gesture succeeds.”

—***SwiftUI Documentation***

```
var body: some View {
    let minimumLongPressDuration = 0.5
    let longPressDrag = LongPressGesture(minimumDuration: minimumLongPressDuration)
        .sequenced(before: DragGesture())
        .updating($dragState) { value, state, transaction in
            switch value {
                // Long press begins.
                case .first(true):
                    state = .pressing
                // Long press confirmed, dragging may begin.
                case .second(true, let drag):
                    state = .dragging(translation: drag?.translation ?? .zero)
                // Dragging ended or the long press cancelled.
                default:
                    state = .inactive
            }
        }
    .onEnded { value in
        guard case .second(true, let drag?) = value else { return }
        self.viewState.width += drag.translation.width
        self.viewState.height += drag.translation.height
    }
}
```



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Matt Gallagher

## Cocoa with Love



# First impressions of SwiftUI

June 8, 2019 by Matt Gallagher

Tags: [app-design](#), [cocoa](#)

A little over a month ago, I released [CwlViews](#) and then followed up with an article suggesting that Apple might be about to release their own declarative views library. At WWDC this week, they did just that, [releasing SwiftUI](#).

Moving From

"How Do I

Do X In Y?"

To

"What's the

New X?"

Where is UIControl?

Where are beginTracking/  
continueTracking/  
endTracking? I have to override  
them in my new class, right?

There's no  
more  
**UIControl**.  
Use a View.

We now call `updating`,  
`onChanged` and `onEnd` functions  
on `Gesture` instead of  
overriding any functions on our  
class.

RangeSeekSlider  
Without Gestures

# Building Custom Views in SwiftUI

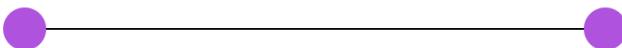
## Graphic effects and layout

Dave Abrahams  
John Harper

- ☞ We no longer have a UIKit and Core Graphics separation
- ☞ Everything in SwiftUI is a View

```
struct ContentView : View {
    var body: some View {
        return HStack(spacing: 0) {
            Circle()
                .fill(Color.purple)
                .frame(width: 24, height: 24, alignment: .center)
                .zIndex(1)
            Rectangle()
                .frame(width: CGFloat(300.0), height: CGFloat(1.0), alignment: .center)
                .zIndex(0)
            Circle()
                .fill(Color.purple)
                .frame(width: 24, height: 24, alignment: .center)
                .zIndex(1)
        }
    }
}
```

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◀ SwiftUISlider



RangeSeekSlider  
With Gestures

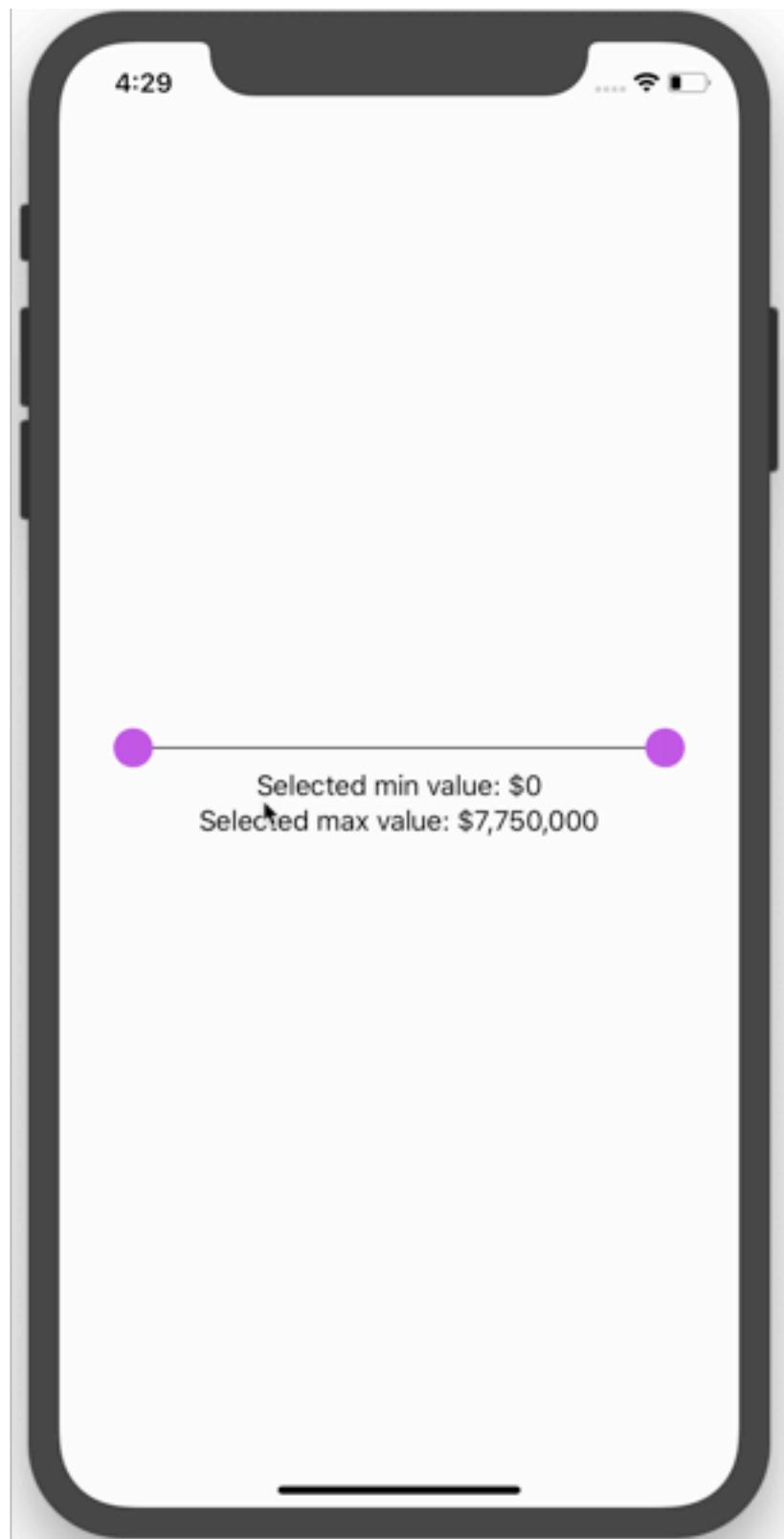
```
import SwiftUI

struct PriceContentView : View {
    @State private var selectedMinValue: CGFloat = RangeType.price.minValue
    @State private var selectedMaxValue: CGFloat = RangeType.price.maxValue
    @State private var leftHandleViewState = CGSize.zero
    @State private var rightHandleViewState = CGSize.zero
    private let numberFormatter = RangeType.price.numberFormatter
    private let minValue = RangeType.price.minValue
    private let maxValue = RangeType.price.maxValue
    private let step = RangeType.price.step
    private let lineWidth: CGFloat = 300.0
    private let handleDiameter: Length = 24
```

```
var body: some View {
    let leftHandleDragGesture = DragGesture(minimumDistance: 1, coordinateSpace: .local)
        .onChanged { value in
            guard value.location.x >= 0, value.location.x <= (self.lineWidth + self.handleDiameter) else {
                return
            }
            self.leftHandleViewState.width = value.location.x
            let percentage = self.leftHandleViewState.width/(self.lineWidth + self.handleDiameter)
            self.selectedMinValue = max(percentage * (self maxValue - self minValue) + self minValue, self minValue)
            self.selectedMinValue = CGFloat(roundf(Float(self.selectedMinValue / self.step))) * self.step
    }
}
```

```
let rightHandleDragGesture = DragGesture(minimumDistance: 1, coordinateSpace: .local)
    .onChanged { value in
        guard value.location.x <= 0, value.location.x >= -(self.lineWidth + self.handleDiameter) else {
            return
        }
        self.rightHandleViewState.width = value.location.x
        let percentage = 1 - abs(self.rightHandleViewState.width)/(self.lineWidth + self.handleDiameter)
        self.selectedMaxValue = max(percentage * (self maxValue - self minValue) + self minValue, self minValue)
        self.selectedMaxValue = CGFloat(roundf(Float(self.selectedMaxValue / self.step))) * self.step
    }
}
```

```
return
    VStack(spacing: 0) {
        HStack(spacing: 0) {
            Circle()
                .fill(Color.purple)
                .frame(width: handleDiameter, height: handleDiameter, alignment: .center)
                .offset(x: leftHandleViewState.width, y: 0)
                .gesture(leftHandleDragGesture)
                .zIndex(1)
            Rectangle()
                .frame(width: lineWidth, height: CGFloat(1.0), alignment: .center)
                .zIndex(0)
            Circle()
                .fill(Color.purple)
                .frame(width: handleDiameter, height: handleDiameter, alignment: .center)
                .offset(x: rightHandleViewState.width, y: 0)
                .gesture(rightHandleDragGesture)
                .zIndex(1)
        }
        Text("Selected min value: \(numberFormatter.string(from: selectedMinValue as NSNumber) ?? "")")
        Text("Selected max value: \(numberFormatter.string(from: selectedMaxValue as NSNumber) ?? "")")
    }
}
```



```
private func xPositionAlongLine(for value: CGFloat) -> CGFloat {
    let percentage = percentageAlongLine(for: value)
    let maxMinDif = sliderLine.frame.maxX - sliderLine.frame.minX
    let offset = percentage * maxMinDif
    return sliderLine.frame minX + offset
}

private func percentageAlongLine(for value: CGFloat) -> CGFloat {
    guard viewModel.MinValue < viewModel.MaxValue else {
        return 0
    }
    let maxMinDif = viewModel.MaxValue - viewModel.MinValue
    let valueSubtracted = value - viewModel.MinValue
    return valueSubtracted / maxMinDif
}
```

## **Lines Of Code**

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## **UIKit**

## **SwiftUI**

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Determine which handle was being dragged

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0

Set the x position of the handle during the drag gesture

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14

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# Continuously Refine The UI

- 👉 Change `minimumDistance` of gestures to 1
- 👉 Guard against touch location to make sure handles are always on the line
- 👉 Formatted text that displays the selected min and max values

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# Dow Jones



SwiftUI Should Be  
Open Sourced

“...the nature of larger declarative systems is such that API documentation will never fill-in all the details...”

— ***"First impressions of SwiftUI" by Matt Gallagher***

“...there is too much behavior  
that does not manifest through  
the interface.”

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