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Protocol

# ViewModifier

A modifier that you apply to a view or another view modifier, producing a different version of the original value.

iOS 13.0+ | iPadOS 13.0+ | Mac Catalyst 13.0+ | macOS 10.15+ | tvOS 13.0+ | visionOS 1.0+ | watchOS 6.0+

```
@MainActor @preconcurrency
protocol ViewModifier
```

## Mentioned in

 Reducing view modifier maintenance

## Overview

Adopt the [ViewModifier](#) protocol when you want to create a reusable modifier that you can apply to any view. The example below combines several modifiers to create a new modifier that you can use to create blue caption text surrounded by a rounded rectangle:

```
struct BorderedCaption: ViewModifier {
    func body(content: Content) -> some View {
        content
            .font(.caption2)
            .padding(10)
            .overlay(
                RoundedRectangle(cornerRadius: 15)
                    .stroke(lineWidth: 1)
            )
            .foregroundColor(Color.blue)
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

You can apply `modifier(_:)` directly to a view, but a more common and idiomatic approach uses `modifier(_:)` to define an extension to `View` itself that incorporates the view modifier:

```
extension View {  
    func borderedCaption() -> some View {  
        modifier(BorderedCaption())  
    }  
}
```

You can then apply the bordered caption to any view, similar to this:

```
Image(systemName: "bus")  
    .resizable()  
    .frame(width:50, height:50)  
Text("Downtown Bus")  
    .borderedCaption()
```



Downtown Bus

A type conforming to this protocol inherits `@preconcurrency` `@MainActor` isolation from the protocol if the conformance is included in the type's base declaration:

```
struct MyCustomType: Transition {  
    // `@preconcurrency @MainActor` isolation by default  
}
```

Isolation to the main actor is the default, but it's not required. Declare the conformance in an extension to opt out of main actor isolation:

```
extension MyCustomType: Transition {  
    // `nonisolated` by default  
}
```

# Topics

## Creating a view modifier

```
func body(content: Self.Content) -> Self.Body
```

Gets the current body of the caller.

**Required** Default implementation provided.

```
associatedtype Body : View
```

The type of view representing the body.

**Required**

```
typealias Content
```

The content view type passed to body( ).

## Adding animations to a view

```
func animation(Animation?) -> some ViewModifier
```

Returns a new version of the modifier that will apply `animation` to all animatable values within the modifier.

```
func concat<T>(T) -> ModifiedContent<Self, T>
```

Returns a new modifier that is the result of concatenating `self` with `modifier`.

## Handling view taps and gestures

```
func transaction((inout Transaction) -> Void) -> some ViewModifier
```

Returns a new version of the modifier that will apply the transaction mutation function transform to all transactions within the modifier.

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# Relationships

## Inherited By

`AnimatableModifier`, `EnvironmentalModifier`, `GeometryEffect`

## Conforming Types

`AccessibilityAttachmentModifier`

`EmptyModifier`

`LayoutRotationUnaryLayout`

`ManipulableModifier`

`ManipulableResponderModifier`

`ManipulableTransformBindingModifier`

`ManipulationGeometryModifier`

`ManipulationGestureModifier`

`ManipulationUsingGestureStateModifier`

`ModifiedContent`

Conforms when `Content` conforms to `ViewModifier` and `Modifier` conforms to `ViewModifier`.

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## See Also

### Modifying a view

#### Configuring views

Adjust the characteristics of a view by applying view modifiers.

#### Reducing view modifier maintenance

Bundle view modifiers that you regularly reuse into a custom view modifier.

`func modifier<T>(T) -> ModifiedContent<Self, T>`

Applies a modifier to a view and returns a new view.

```
struct EmptyModifier
```

An empty, or identity, modifier, used during development to switch modifiers at compile time.

```
struct ModifiedContent
```

A value with a modifier applied to it.

```
protocol EnvironmentalModifier
```

A modifier that must resolve to a concrete modifier in an environment before use.

```
struct ManipulableModifier
```

```
struct ManipulableResponderModifier
```

```
struct ManipulableTransformBindingModifier
```

```
struct ManipulationGeometryModifier
```

```
struct ManipulationGestureModifier
```

```
struct ManipulationUsingGestureStateModifier
```

```
enum Manipulable
```

A namespace for various manipulable related types.