

NSUserDefaults : Data Persistent

Pre-Setup

- ☐ Create private constant variables to hold the keys of type String
- ☐ Create optional (fail-safe) initializer in the Model class of type dictionary.
To be used in the process of reading data.
- ☐ Create a representation array of dictionaries
To be used in t the process of saving data.

Setup

- ☐ Create a function to save to persistent.
- ☐ Create a function to load from persistent

Usage

Call the save to persistent function when adding or deleting entries

Call the load from persistent function inside the class initializing
function to be called everytime the singleton is called to have the
most up-to-date data.

```
class Entry: {
  var title: String
  var body: String
  var timeStamp: NSDate

  private let kTitle = "titleKey"
  private let kBody = "bodyKey"
  private let ktimeStamp = "timeStampKey"

  init(title: String, body: String = "", timeStamp: NSDate = NSDate()){
    self.title = title
    self.body = body
    self.timeStamp = NSDate()
  }

  init?(dictionary: [String: AnyObject]){
    guard let title = dictionary[kTitle] as? String,
          let body = dictionary[kBody] as? String,
          let timeStamp = dictionary[ktimeStamp] as? NSDate else {return nil}

    self.title = title
    self.body = body
    self.timeStamp = timeStamp
  }

  var dictionaryRepresentation: [String: AnyObject]{
    return [kTitle: self.title, kBody: body, ktimeStamp: timeStamp]
  }
}
```

```
class EntryController {

  private let kEntries = "storeEntries"

  static let sharedController = EntryController()

  var entries:[Entry] = []

  init(){
    loadFromPersistentStore()
  }

  func removeEntry(entry: Entry){
    if let index = entries.indexOf(entry){
      entries.removeAtIndex(index)
      saveToPersistentStore()
    }
  }

  func addEntry(newEntry: Entry) {
    entries.append(newEntry)
    saveToPersistentStore()
  }

  func saveToPersistentStore(){
    NSUserDefaults.standardUserDefaults().setObject(entries.map({$0.dictionaryRepresentation}), forKey: kEntries)
  }

  func loadFromPersistentStore() {
    guard let entriesDictionaryArray = NSUserDefaults.standardUserDefaults().objectForKey(kEntries) as? [[String:AnyObject]] else {
      {return}
    }
    entries = entriesDictionaryArray.flatMap({Entry(dictionary: $0)})
  }
}
```