

# MOBILE DEVELOPMENT DRAWING IN CODE: PART 2

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## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Devise layouts relative to their superviews with springs and struts
- Design layouts with autolayout both programmatically and through interface builder
- Use NSLayoutConstraints to set our constraints in code
- Debug autolayout errors and warnings
- Differentiate between autolayout and Springs & Struts

## REVIEWING SPRINGS & STRUTS

### WHY DRAW IN CODE?

- Views have frames associated with them, always
  - Their position within their superview
- In springs and struts, we set the frame directly on the view being added (the *strut*)
- We also define how the view moves when its superview changes (the spring)
  - aka autoresizing masks

# SPRINGS & STRUTS CODE-ALONG

## YOUR ASSIGNMENT

- Create a 'face' with springs and struts
- The face must contain
  - Two eyes
  - A nose
  - A mouth
- They must stay in position when the device rotates

## AUTOLAYOUT

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- Springs & struts allows us to define how a view changes when its superview changes
  - e.g. "If my superview gets wider, I'll get wider too"
- Springs & struts does not allow us to define relations between subviews
  - e.g. "If the image view next to me moves to the left, I want to move to the left too"
- This makes some common tasks painful
  - "I want a label to always be below an image" when the image moves or changes size
  - "I always want my image to be below some large block of variable text"
  - and more

## **ENTER AUTOLAYOUT**

- Another way to lay out views
  - As opposed to Springs & Struts
- The 'new' way to do things
  - Recommended, but not required
- Wildly more complex than Springs & Struts

## **CONSTRAINTS**

- We work with constraints in autolayout
- Constraints have:
  - 'From' and 'To' views
    - Each with an attribute
  - A relation
  - A multiplier
  - A constant

## **CONSTRAINTS**

'From' view: someImage

Attribute: Right

'To' view: someLabel

Attribute: Left

Relation: Equals

Multiplier: 1.0

Constant: 0

Translation: somelmage's right edge should equal someLabel's left edge

## **CONSTRAINTS**

'From' view: someImage

Attribute: Width

'To' view: someLabel

Attribute: Width

Relation: Equals

Multiplier: 0.5

Constant: 0

Translation: someImage's width should equal half someLabel's width

## **CONSTRAINTS**

'From' view: someImage

Attribute: Top

'To' view: someLabel

Attribute: Top

Relation: Equals

Multiplier: 0.5

Constant: 10

Translation: someImage's top should equal 10 pixels below someLabel's top

## **ADDING A CONSTRAINT**

```
var subview = UIView()
subview.setTranslatesAutoresizingMaskIntoConstraints(false)
superview.addSubview(subview) // happens before constraints
superview.addConstraint(NSLayoutConstraint(item: subview,
                        attribute: .CenterX,
                        relatedBy: .Equal,
                        toItem: superview,
                        attribute: .CenterX,
                        multiplier: 1,
                        constant: 0)
```

## **CONSTRAINTS**

- Views likely have multiple constraints
- From those constraints we must be able to figure out origin and size

## AUTOLAYOUT CODEALONG

## **GROUP ASSIGNMENT**

- Recreate our 'face' using autolayout
- Bonus: When the user taps the screen, animate the members of the face changing color
- Bonus: When the user taps the screen, animate the mouth moving in some way

## ANIMATING AUTOLAYOUT

## **ANIMATIONS**

```
someConstraint.constant = 100 // someConstraint is a
constraint within self.view

UIView.animateWithDuration(5, animations: {
    self.view.layoutIfNeeded() // This animates the above change
})
```

# SCROLL VIEWS

## **SCROLL VIEWS**

- Set constraints on the scrollview first using constraints outside the scrollView
- Add subviews to the scroll view
- Tie something to all four sides of the scrollView
  - But don't rely on it for its size