

# Pseudo-Keywords

## Functional Programming at its Finest

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```

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Having it built into the language makes sense

**But lazy loading is definitely not the only useful abstraction for developers!**

**And of course, Swift cannot implement  
every useful abstraction as a keyword...**

So how about we try to do it ourselves? 💪

**Swift** ❤️  
**Functional**

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    _ = CloudCodeExecutor.sharedInstance.processCloudCodeOperation()  
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}
```

Refactor ►

Find Selected Text in Workspace  
Find Selected Symbol in Workspace  
Find Call Hierarchy

Rename...  
Extract Function  
**Extract Method**  
Extract Expression  
Extract Repeated Expression

Chunks of our code can be extracted into functions...

...and functions can also take and return functions...

...so a function is able to enhance a piece of code!

# **Let's look at a basic example**

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The trailing-closure syntax lets the function **delayed** act a whole lot like a language keyword would!

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**Now, let's look at more useful cases!**

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(This **does not** work with recursive functions)

# Caching

```
let cachedCos = cached { (x: Double) in cos(x)}  
  
cachedCos(.pi * 2) // takes 48.85 ms  
  
// value of cos for 2π is now cached  
  
cachedCos(.pi * 2) // takes 0.13 ms
```

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We want to understand how a user behaves on a scrollable screen.

To do this, we need to send the `contentOffset` to an analytics platform.

When sould we send it?

# Debouncing

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class ViewController: UIViewController, UIScrollViewDelegate {  
    // ...  
  
    func scrollViewDidScroll(_ scrollView: UIScrollView) {  
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Definition: waiting for a given **timespan** to elapse before performing an action.

Any new call during that timeframe **resets** the timer.

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**Let's keep up the good work** 💪

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    guard let self = self else { return }  
  
    // use weak non-optional `self` to handle `result`  
})
```

Wouldn't it be great to get rid of this extra-syntax?

# Capturing self in closures

```
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        code(self, a)  
    }  
}
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service.call(completion: weakify { strongSelf, result in  
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})
```

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```
fetchUserId { id in
    fetchUserName(by: id, { firstName in
        fetchUserLastName(by: id, { lastName in
            print("Hello \(firstName) \(lastName)")
        })
    })
}
```

# Asynchronous code

```
func makeSynchrone<A>(_ asyncFunction: @escaping ((A) -> Void) -> Void)
-> () -> A {
return {
    let lock = NSRecursiveLock()

    var result: A? = nil

    asyncFunction() {
        result = $0
        lock.unlock()
    }

    lock.lock()

    return result!
}
}
```

# Asynchronous code

What's the point?

We definitely don't want to block our threads!

# Asynchronous code

Using the function `makeSynchrone`, we are able to extract the "asynchronicity".

How can we leverage this?

# Asynchronous code

```
let queue = DispatchQueue(label: "asyncqueue", attributes: .concurrent)  
typealias CompletionHandler<T> = (T) -> Void
```

# Asynchronous code

```
func await<A>(_ body: @escaping (CompletionHandler<A>) -> Void)
-> A {
    return makeSynchrone(body)()
}

func await<A, B>(_ body: @escaping (A, CompletionHandler<B>) -> Void)
-> (A) -> B {
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```
func async(_ body: @escaping () -> Void) {  
    queue.async(execute: body)  
}
```

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```
async {  
    let userId = await(fetchUserId)  
    let firstName = await(fetchUserFirstName)(userId)  
    let lastName = await(fetchUserLastName)(userId)  
  
    print("Hello \(firstName) \(lastName)")  
}
```

# Asynchronous code

What did we do?

We extracted the asynchronicity using await, and we factored it out using async.

Just like we would factor a product out of a sum.

Pretty cool, right?



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- It encourages us to look at our code algebraically

# One More Thing

# Swift 5.1



# Property Wrappers

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However, you can use it like any other property, it's completely transparent

# Property Wrappers

It looks really close to our pseudo-keywords!

Let's try and implement debounced with a property wrapper 💪

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**Now let's use it!**

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**This time it's over!**

# Where to go from here?

The examples shown in these slides are only the tip of the iceberg.

There are many more use cases within your apps waiting to be discovered.

(Please do let me know when you find them! Twitter handle: @v\_pradeilles)

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# Questions?

