

Mobile Application Programming

Swift Classes

Swift Top-Level Entities



- Like C/C++ but unlike Java, Swift allows declarations of **functions**, **variables**, and **constants** at the **top-level**, outside any class declaration
- Constants are declared using the **let** keyword
- Variables are declared using the **var** keyword
- Functions are declared using the **func** keyword with **parameter names interleaved** with the name of the function, causing it to **read like a sentence**

Swift Objects



- ✦ Classes, structures, and enums are all **object types** with **different defaults in usage**
 - ✦ **Classes are reference types** that **share** the same object when assignments are made
 - ✦ Structs are **always copied** on assignment
- ✦ **Single inheritance**, but may conform to many **protocols**
- ✦ Add functions and protocols to existing objects using **extension** keyword. Also used to break up large objects

Swift Classes



- Member functions and properties declared using same syntax as top-level declarations
- Function declarations use parameter labels, but the **first label is omitted** when declared in a class
- Properties declare **both getter / setter and a (hidden) backing variable** using *var* and *let* keywords
- Use *private*, *fileprivate*, *internal* (default), *public*, and *open* for **access control**
- Constructors are declared using *init()*, but have **different inheritance rules** than most languages

Properties



- ✦ Properties for class instances are declared using *var* or *let*
- ✦ Access properties using *self* or the name directly when unambiguous
- ✦ External access to the properties is defined using *private*, *fileprivate*, *internal* (default), *public*, or *open*

```
import Point
import Vector

class Car {
    private var _vin: String = "FAST"
    private var _year: Int = 1970
    private var _position: Point = Point()
    private var _velocity: Vector = Vector()

    var velocity: Vector {
        get { return _velocity }
        set { _velocity = newValue }
    }

    var vin: String { return _vin }
    var year: Int { return _year }

    func moveByInterval(interval: Double) {
        _position += _velocity * interval
    }
}
```


Stored Properties



- ✦ Properties that are given a value at declaration or during initialization are called **stored properties**
- ✦ These have a **hidden backing store** allocated for each instance as well as **get** and **set** methods
- ✦ Observe property changes using **willSet** and **didSet**

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Computed Properties



- ✦ Properties with explicit get and set methods define **computed properties**
- ✦ If no set method is provided the property is **read only** (get can be omitted in this case)
- ✦ These have **no backing store** and **act like named methods**

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Methods



- ✦ Methods are declared using *func* like top-level functions
- ✦ Parameters should have labels so the method *reads like a sentence*
- ✦ The *first parameter should have no label*. Instead name the method with the first part of the sentence

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```


Swift Classes



```
class Car
{
    private var _vin: String
    private var _year: Int
    private var _position: Point // Imported
    private var _velocity: Vector // Imported

    init(vin: String, year: Int)
    {
        _vin = vin
        _year = year
        _position = Point(x: 0.0, y: 0.0)
        _velocity = Vector(x: 0.0, y: 0.0)
    }

    var vin: String
    {
        return _vin
    }

    var year: Int
    {
        return _year
    }
}
```

```
var position: Point
{
    get { return _position }
    set { _position = newValue }
}

var velocity: Vector
{
    get { return _velocity }
    set { _velocity = newValue }
}

func moveWithTime(elapsedTime: Double)
{
    _position += _velocity * elapsedTime
}

// Usage
var viper: Car = Car("23958060934985", 2003)
viper.position = Point(x: 40.76, y: -113.93)
viper.velocity = Vector(x: 100.0, y: 200.0)
viper.moveWithTime(1.2) //Note label omitted
```


Initializers

- ✦ Use *init* keyword to define a designated initializer
- ✦ Must ensure all properties of class have a value
- ✦ A default initializer is created if all properties have a default value
- ✦ Properties must be set before calling a super class designated initializer

```
// Root Class
class Car
{
    init(vin: String, year: Int)
    {
        _vin = vin
        _year = year
        _position = Point(x: 0.0, y: 0.0)
        _velocity = Vector(x: 0.0, y: 0.0)
    }
    // Rest of class...
}
```



```
// Inheriting Class
class RocketCar: Car
{
    private var _fuel: Double
    init(fuel: Double)
    {
        _fuel = fuel
        super.init(vin: "FAST", year: 2020)
    }
    var fuel: Double {
        get { return _fuel }
        set { _fuel = newValue }
    }
}
```


Convenience Constructors

- ✦ Convenience constructors **prevent duplicating code** by calling designated initializers to fill in some or all properties
- ✦ Must call **another initializer** at this class level
- ✦ **Not inherited** by sub-classes

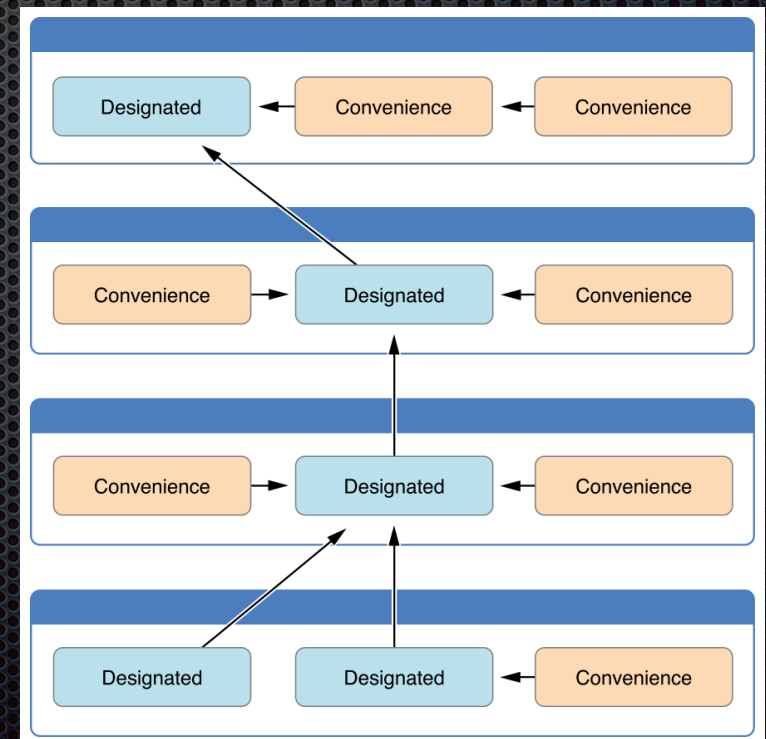
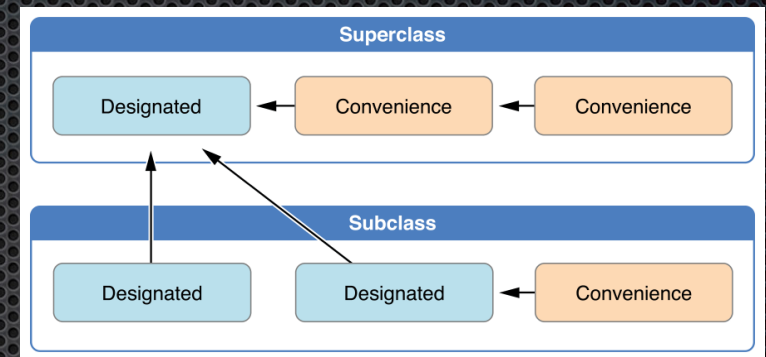
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{
    private var _fuel: Double
    init(fuel: Double)
    {
        _fuel = fuel
        super.init(vin: "FAST", year: 2020)
    }

    convenience init()
    {
        self.init(fuel: 100.0)
    }

    var fuel: Double {
        get { return _fuel }
        set { _fuel = newValue }
    }
}
```


Inheritance & 2-Phase Init

- ✦ Only designated initializers are inherited by subclasses
- ✦ They can be overridden using the override keyword
- ✦ Because sub-classes call super-class designated initializers, there are rules for property initialization order (2-Phase Initialization)
- ✦ See the reading for class



Other Features



- ✦ Deinitialization using the `deinit` method
- ✦ Class extensions using the `extension` keyword
- ✦ Protocol support by defining protocols using `protocol` then adding them to the inheritance list for the class
- ✦ Automatic Reference Counting for memory management, controlled using `weak` and `unowned`
- ✦ Operator overloading and subscripts
- ✦ Generic object support similar to java