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# Preface

Object-oriented programming, also known as OOP, is a required skill in absolutely any modern software developer job. It makes a lot of sense because object-oriented programming allows you to maximize code reuse and minimize maintenance costs. However, learning object-oriented programming is challenging because it includes too many abstract concepts that require real-life examples to be easy to understand. In addition, object-oriented code that doesn't follow best practices can easily become a maintenance nightmare.

Swift is a multiparadigm programming language and one of its most important paradigms is OOP. If you want to create great applications and apps for Mac, iPhone, iPad, Apple TV, and Apple Watch (Mac OS, iOS, tvOS, and watchOS operating systems) you need to master OOP in Swift 3. However, Swift 3 is not limited to Apple platforms and you can take advantage of your Swift 3 knowledge to develop applications that target other platforms and use it for server-side code. In addition, as Swift also grabs nice features found in functional programming languages, it is convenient to know how to mix OOP code with functional programming code.

This book will allow you to develop high-quality reusable object-oriented code in Swift 3. You will learn the OOP principles and how Swift implements them. You will learn how to capture objects from real-world elements and create object-oriented code that represents them. You will understand Swift's approach towards object-oriented code. You will maximize code reuse and reduce maintenance costs. Your code will be easy to understand and it will work with representations of real-life elements.

## What this book covers

Chapter 1, *Objects from the Real World to the Playground*, covers the principles of object-oriented paradigms. We will understand how real-world objects can become part of fundamental elements in the code. We will translate elements into the different components of the object-oriented paradigm supported in Swift 3--classes, protocols, properties, methods, and instances. We will run examples in Xcode 8, the Swift REPL and a web-based Swift 3 sandbox.

Chapter 2, *Structures, Classes, and Instances*, explains generating blueprints to create objects. You will learn about an object's life cycle and work with many examples to understand how object initializers and deinitializers work.

Chapter 3, *Encapsulation of Data with Properties*, explains organizing data in the blueprints that generate objects. You will understand the different members of a class and how its different members are reflected in members of the instances generated from a class. We will learn the difference between mutable and immutable classes.

Chapter 4, *Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization*, helps you in creating a hierarchy of blueprints that generate objects. We will take advantage of inheritance and many related features to specialize behavior.

Chapter 5, *Contract Programming with Protocols*, delves into how Swift works with protocols in combination with classes. We will declare and combine multiple blueprints to generate a single instance. We will declare protocols with different types of requirements, and then, we will create classes that conform to these protocols.

Chapter 6, *Maximization of Code Reuse with Generic Code*, covers how to maximize code reuse by writing code capable of working with objects of different types, that is, instances of classes that conform to specific protocols or whose class hierarchy includes specific superclasses. We will work with protocols and generics.

Chapter 7, *Object-Oriented Programming and Functional Programming*, covers how to refactor existing code to take full advantage of object-oriented code. We will prepare the code for future requirements, reduce maintenance cost, and maximize code reuse. We will also work with many functional programming features included in Swift 3, combined with object-oriented programming.

Chapter 8, *Protection and Organization of Code*, puts together all the pieces of the object-oriented puzzle. We will take advantage of extensions to add features to types, classes, and protocols to which we don't have access to the source code. We will make sure that the code exposes only the things that it has to expose, and we will learn how everything we learned about object-oriented programming is useful in any kind of apps we might create.

## What you need for this book

In order to work with Xcode 8.x and the Swift Playground, you will need a Mac computer capable of running OS X 10.11.5 or later, with 8 GB RAM.

In order to work with Swift 3.x open source version in the Linux platform, you will need any computer capable of running Ubuntu 14.04 or later, or Ubuntu 15.10 or later. These are the Linux distributions where the Swift open source binaries have been built and tested. It is also possible to run the Swift compiler and utilities on other Linux distributions. You must check the latest available documentation at the Swift open source website: <https://swift.org>.

In order to work with the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox, you will need any device capable of executing a modern web browser.

## Who this book is for

This book is for iOS and Mac OS developers who want to get a detailed practical understanding of object-oriented programming with the latest version of Swift 3.0.

## Conventions

In this book, you will find a number of text styles that distinguish between different kinds of information. Here are some examples of these styles and an explanation of their meaning.

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A block of code is set as follows:

```
let degCUnit = HKUnit.degreeCelsius()
let degFUnit = HKUnit.degreeFahrenheit()
```

When we wish to draw your attention to a particular part of a code block, the relevant lines or items are set in bold:

```
open func filteredBy(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    return numbersList.filter({ condition($0) })
}
```

Any command-line input or output is written as follows:

```
id: 1, name: "Invaders 2017", highestScore: 1050, playedCount: 3050
id: 2, name: "Minecraft", highestScore: 3741050, playedCount: 780009992
```

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# 1

## Objects from the Real World to the Playground

Whenever you have to solve a problem in the real world, you use elements and interact with them. For example, when you are thirsty, you take a glass, you fill it up with water, soda, or your favorite juice, and then you drink. Similarly, you can easily recognize elements, known as objects, from real-world actions and then translate them into object-oriented code. In this chapter, we will start learning the principles of object-oriented programming to use them in Swift 3 to develop apps and applications.

### Installing the required software on Mac OS

In this book, you will learn to take advantage of all the object-oriented features included in Swift programming language version 3. Some of the examples might be compatible with previous Swift versions, such as 2.3, 2.2, 2.1, and 2.0, but it is essential to use Swift 3.0 or later because this version is not backward compatible. We won't write code that is backwards compatible with previous Swift versions because our main goal is to work with Swift 3.0 or later and to use its syntax.

We will use **Xcode** as our **Integrated Development Environment (IDE)**. All the examples work with Xcode version 8 or higher. The latest versions of the IDE include Swift 3 as one of the supported programming languages to build iOS apps, watchOS apps, tvOS apps, and Mac OS applications. It is important to note that Xcode only runs on Mac OS, and all the instructions provided in this chapter consider that we are running this operating system on a Mac computer. However, after Apple launched Swift 2.2, it made the language open source and added a port to Linux, specifically to Ubuntu. Swift 3 is also available on Ubuntu. Thus, we can apply everything we learn about object-oriented programming with Swift when targeting other platforms to which the language is ported.



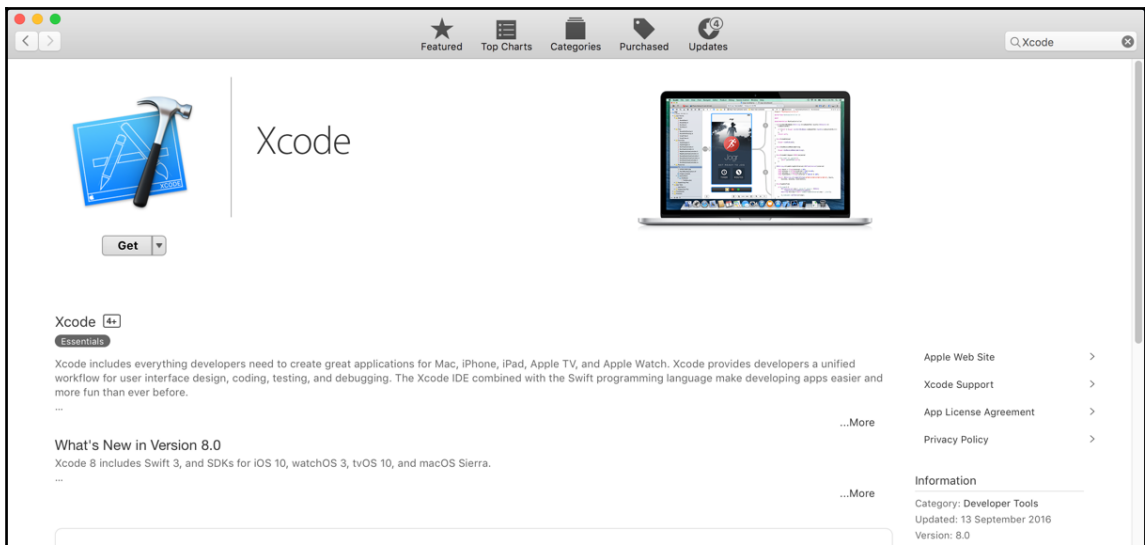
In case you want to work with the Swift open source release on Mac OS, you can download the latest release in the **Downloads** section at <http://swift.org>. You can run all the code examples included in this book in the **Swift Read Evaluate Print Loop** command-line environment instead of working with **Xcode Playground**. The Swift Read Evaluate Print Loop command-line environment is also known as Swift REPL.

It is also possible to use the Swift Playgrounds app on iOS 10.0 or later in the iPad models that are compatible with this app. You can work with this app to run the examples. However, our main IDE will be Xcode.

The following is the URL for the Swift Playgrounds app:

<https://itunes.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/viewSoftware?id=908519492>

In order to install Xcode, you just need to launch the Mac App Store, enter `Xcode` in the search box, click on the Xcode application icon shown in the results, and make sure that it is the application developed by Apple and not an Xcode helper application. The following screenshot shows the details of the Xcode application in the Mac App Store:





Then, click on **Get** and wait until the Mac App Store downloads Xcode. Note that it is necessary to download a few GBs and therefore it may take some time to finish the download process. Once the download is finished, click on **Install** and follow the necessary steps to complete the application's installation process. Finally, you will be able to launch the Xcode application as you would execute any other application in your Mac OS operating system. It is also possible to download and install Xcode from

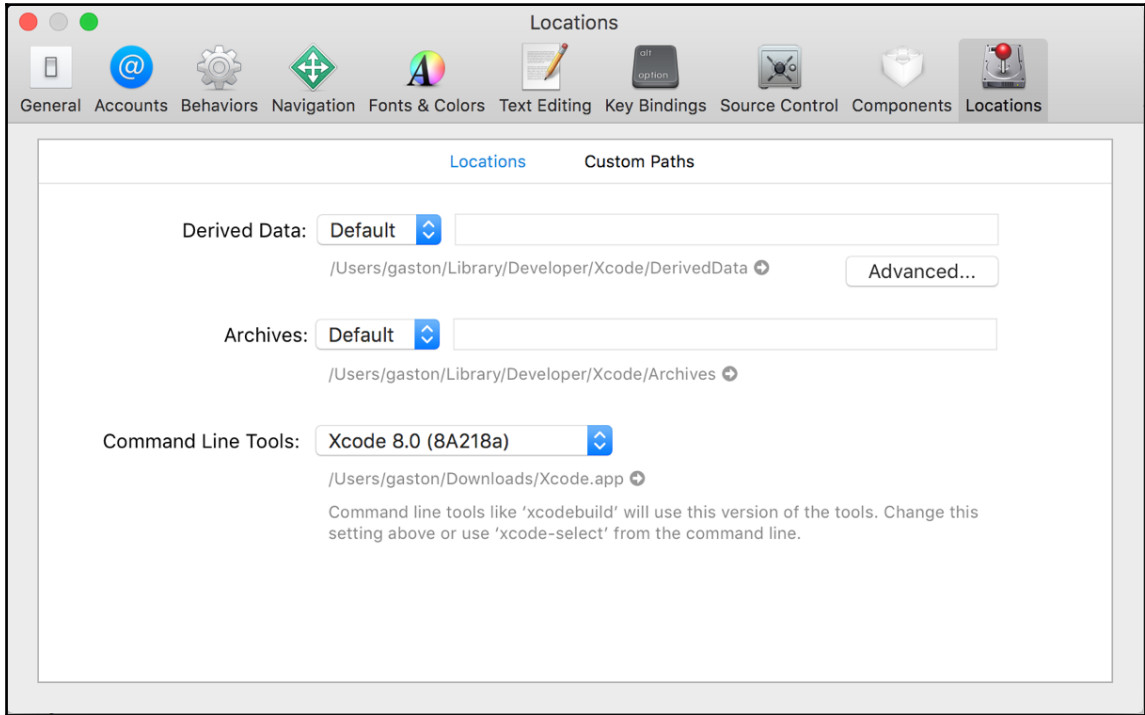
<http://developer.apple.com/xcode/>.

Apple usually launches Xcode beta versions before releasing the final stable versions. It is highly recommended to avoid working with beta versions to test the examples included in this book because beta versions are unstable and some examples might crash or generate unexpected outputs. The Mac App Store only offers the latest stable version of Xcode, and therefore, there is no risk of installing a beta version by mistake when following the previously explained steps.

In case we have any Xcode beta version installed on the same computer in which we will run the book samples, we have to make sure that the configuration for the stable Xcode version uses the appropriate command-line tools. We won't work with the command-line tools, but we will take advantage of Playground, and this feature uses the command-line tools under the hood.

Launch Xcode, navigate to **Xcode | Preferences...**, and click on **Locations**. Make sure that the **Command Line Tools** drop-down menu displays the stable Xcode version that you installed as the selected option. The following screenshot shows **Xcode 8.0 (8A218a)** as the selected version for **Command Line Tools**.

However, you will definitely see a higher version number because Xcode is updated frequently:



We don't need an iOS Developer Program membership to run the examples included in this book. However, in case we want to distribute the apps or applications coded in Swift to any App Store or activate certain capabilities in Xcode, we will require an active membership.

You don't need any previous experience with the Swift programming language to work with the examples in this book and learn how to model and create object-oriented code with Swift 3. If you have some experience with Objective-C, Java, C#, Python, Ruby, or JavaScript, you will be able to easily learn Swift's syntax and understand the examples. Swift borrows many features from these and other modern programming languages, and therefore, any knowledge of these languages will be extremely useful.

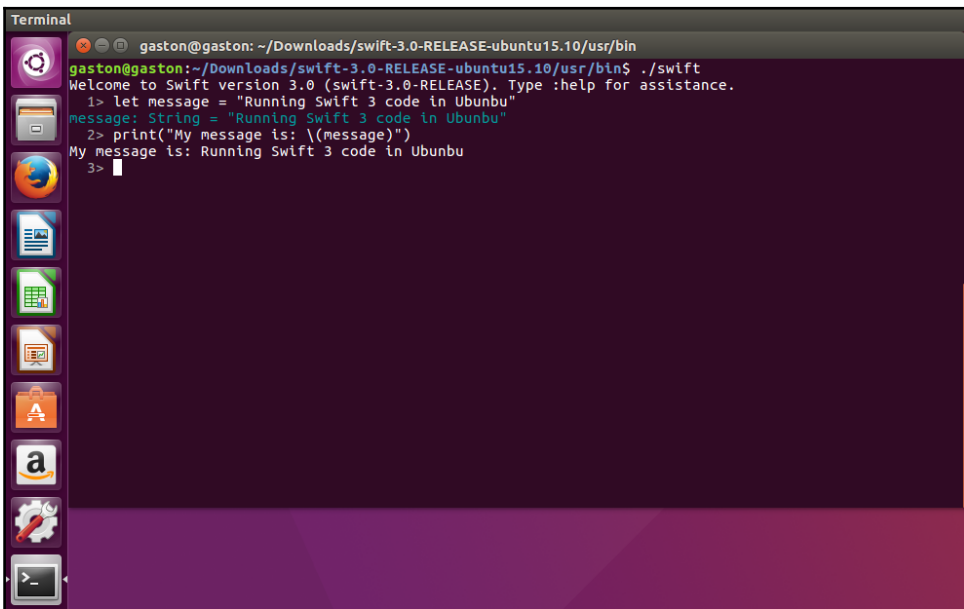
## Installing the required software on Ubuntu Linux

In case we want to work with Swift 3 in Ubuntu Linux, we won't be able to run the examples that interact with any iOS API. However, we will be able to run a big percentage of the sample code included in this book, and we will be able to learn the most important object-oriented principles.

We can download the latest release for our Ubuntu version in the **DOWNLOAD** section at <http://swift.org>. This page includes all the instructions to install the required dependencies (clang and libc++-dev) and to execute the Swift REPL command-line environment.

Once we have completed the installation, we can execute the `swift` command to run the REPL in a Terminal. After we see a welcome message, we can enter Swift code and the REPL will display the results of executing each code block. We can also take advantage of a set of LLDB debugging commands. We just need to enter `:help` to list all the available debugger commands.

The following screenshot shows the Terminal application in Ubuntu running the `swift` command and displaying the results after entering two lines of Swift code:



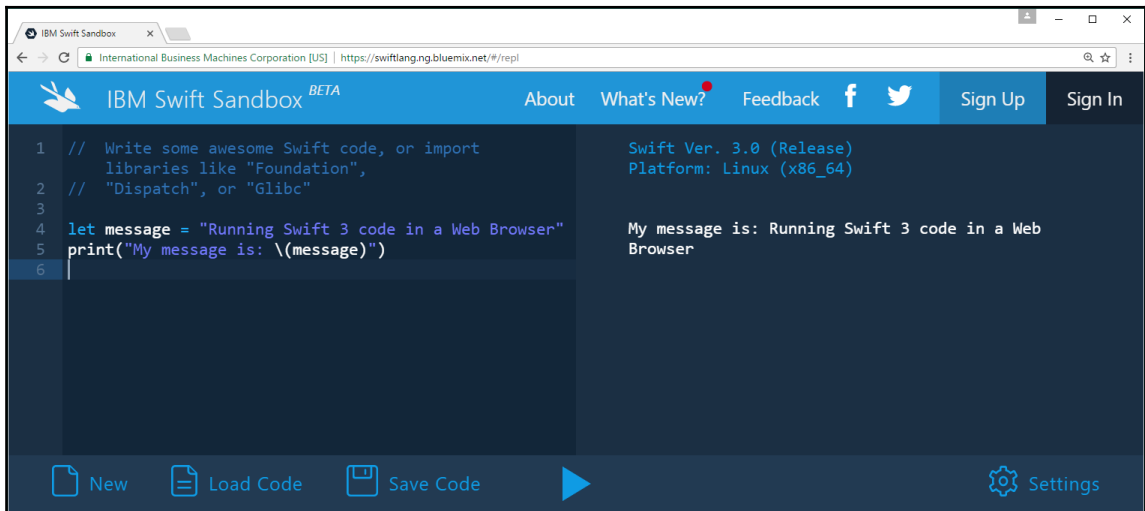
```
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gaston@gaston:~/Downloads/swift-3.0-RELEASE-ubuntu15.10/usr/bin$ ./swift
Welcome to Swift version 3.0 (swift-3.0-RELEASE). Type :help for assistance.
1> let message = "Running Swift 3 code in Ubuntu"
message: String = "Running Swift 3 code in Ubuntu"
2> print("My message is: \(message)")
My message is: Running Swift 3 code in Ubuntu
3>
```

## Working with Swift 3 on the web

In case we want to work with Swift 3 in Windows or in any other platform, we can work with a web-based Swift sandbox developed by IBM. We just need to open the following web page in a web browser: <https://swiftlang.ng.bluemix.net/#/repl>.

The IBM Swift Sandbox mimics the Playground with a text-based UI and it allows you to enter the code on the left-hand side and watch the results of the execution on the right-hand side. The sandbox is simple and not as powerful as the Xcode Playground. As it happens with Swift in Ubuntu Linux, we won't be able to run the examples that interact with any iOS API. However, we will be able to run a big percentage of the sample code included in this book, and we will be able to learn the most important object-oriented principles with any compatible web browser.

The following screenshot shows IBM Swift Sandbox displaying the results of executing two lines of Swift code in Chrome under Windows 10. We just need to enter the Swift code on the left-hand side and click on the Execute button (*play icon*) to see the results of compiling and executing the code on the right-hand side:



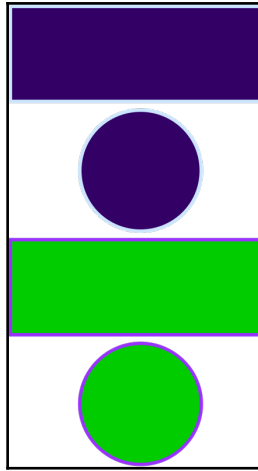
## Capturing objects from the real world

Now, let's forget about Xcode and Swift for a while. Imagine that we have to develop a new universal iOS app that targets the iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch devices. We will have different **User Interfaces (UI)** and **User Experiences (UX)** because these devices have diverse screen sizes and resolutions. However, no matter the device in which the app runs, it will have the same goal.

Imagine that Vanessa is a very popular YouTuber, painter, and craftswoman who usually uploads videos on a YouTube channel. She has more than a million followers, and one of her latest videos had a huge impact on social networking sites. In this video, she sketched basic shapes and then painted them with acrylic paint to build patterns. She worked with very attractive colors, and many famous Hollywood actresses uploaded pictures on Instagram sharing their creations with the technique demonstrated by Vanessa and with the revolutionary special colors developed by a specific acrylic paint manufacturer.

Obviously, the acrylic paint manufacturer wants to take full advantage of this situation, so he specifies the requirements for an app. The app must provide a set of predefined 2D shapes that the users can drag and drop in a document to build a pattern so that they can change both the 2D position and size. It is important to note that the shapes cannot intersect, and users cannot change the line widths because these are the basic requirements of the technique introduced by Vanessa. A user can select the desired line and fill colors for each shape. At any time, the user can tap a button, and the app must display a list of the acrylic paint tubes, bottles, or jars that the user must buy to paint the drawn pattern. Finally, the user can easily place an online order to request the suggested acrylic paint tubes, bottles, or jars. The app also generates a tutorial to explain to the user how to generate each of the final colors for the lines and fills by thinning the appropriate amount of acrylic paint with water, based on the colors that the user has specified.

The following figure shows an example of a pattern. Note that it is extremely simple to describe the objects that compose the pattern: four 2D shapes—specifically, two rectangles and two circles. If we measure the shapes, we would easily realize that they aren't two squares and two ellipses; they are two rectangles and two circles:



We can easily recognize the objects; we understand that the pattern is composed of many 2D geometric shapes. Now, let's focus on the core requirement for the app, which is calculating the required amounts of acrylic paint. We have to take into account the following data for each shape included in the pattern in order to calculate the amount of acrylic paint:

- The perimeter
- The area
- The line color
- The fill color

The app allows users to use a specific color for the line that draws the borders of each shape. Thus, we have to calculate the perimeter in order to use it as one of the values that will allow us to estimate the amount of acrylic paint that the user must buy to paint each shape's border. Then, we have to calculate the area to use it as one of the values that will allow us to estimate the amount of acrylic paint that the user must buy to fill each shape's area.

We have to start working on the backend code that calculates areas and perimeters. The app will follow Vanessa's guidelines to create the patterns, and it will only support the following six shapes:

- Squares
- Equilateral triangles
- Rectangles
- Circles
- Ellipses
- Regular hexagons

We can start writing Swift code-specifically, six functions that calculate the areas of the previously enumerated shapes and another six to calculate their perimeters. Note that we are talking about functions, and we stopped thinking about objects; therefore, we will face some problems with this path, which we will solve with an object-oriented approach from scratch.

For example, if we start thinking about functions to solve the problem, one possible solution is to code the following twelve functions to do the job:

- `calculatedSquareArea`
- `calculatedEquilateralTriangleArea`
- `calculatedRectangleArea`
- `calculatedCircleArea`
- `calculatedEllipseArea`
- `calculatedRegularHexagonArea`
- `calculatedSquarePerimeter`
- `calculatedEquilateralTrianglePerimeter`
- `calculatedRectanglePerimeter`
- `calculatedCirclePerimeter`
- `calculatedEllipsePerimeter`
- `calculatedRegularHexagonPerimeter`

Each of the previously enumerated functions has to receive the necessary parameters of each shape and return either its calculated area or perimeter. These functions do not have side effects, that is, they do not make changes to the arguments they receive and they just return the results of the calculated perimeters. Therefore, we use `calculated` instead of `calculate` as the first word for their names. This way, it will be easier for us to generate the object-oriented version as we will continue to follow the API design guidelines that Apple has provided for Swift 3.

Now, let's forget about functions for a bit. Let's recognize the real-world objects from the application's requirements that we were assigned. We have to calculate the areas and perimeters of six elements, which are six nouns in the requirements that represent real-life objects—specifically 2D shapes. Our list of real-world objects is exactly the same that Vanessa's specification uses to determine the shapes allowed to be used to create patterns. Take a look at the list:

- Squares
- Equilateral triangles
- Rectangles
- Circles
- Ellipses
- Regular hexagons

After recognizing the real-life objects, we can start designing our application by following an object-oriented paradigm. Instead of creating a set of functions that perform the required tasks, we can create software objects that represent the state and behavior of a square, equilateral triangle, rectangle, circle, ellipse, and regular hexagon. This way, the different objects mimic the real-world 2D shapes. We can work with the objects to specify the different attributes required to calculate the area and perimeter. Then, we can extend these objects to include the additional data required to calculate other required values, such as the quantity of acrylic paint required to paint the borders.

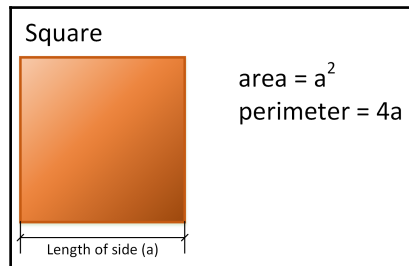
Now, let's move to the real world and think about each of the previously enumerated six shapes. Imagine that we have to draw each of the shapes on paper and calculate their areas and perimeters. After we draw each shape, which values will we use to calculate their areas and perimeters? Which formulae will we use?



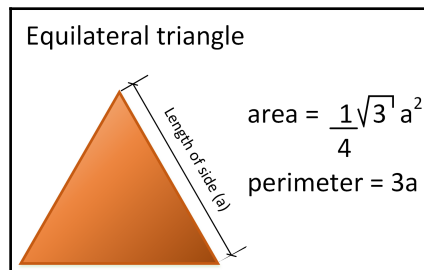


We started working on an object-oriented design before we started coding, and therefore, we will work as if we didn't know many concepts of geometry. For example, we can easily generalize the formulae that we use to calculate the perimeters and areas of regular polygons. However, we will analyze the requirements in most cases; we still aren't experts on the subject, and we need to dive deeper into the subject before we can group classes and generalize their behavior.

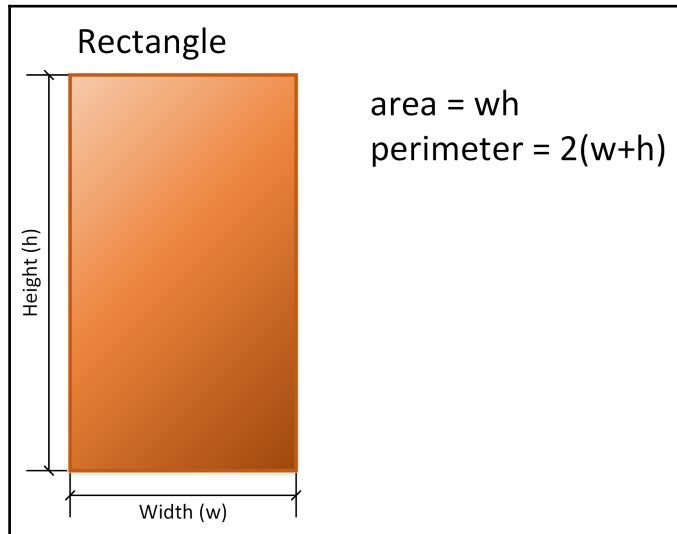
The following figure shows a drawn square and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. We just need the length of a side, usually identified as **a**:



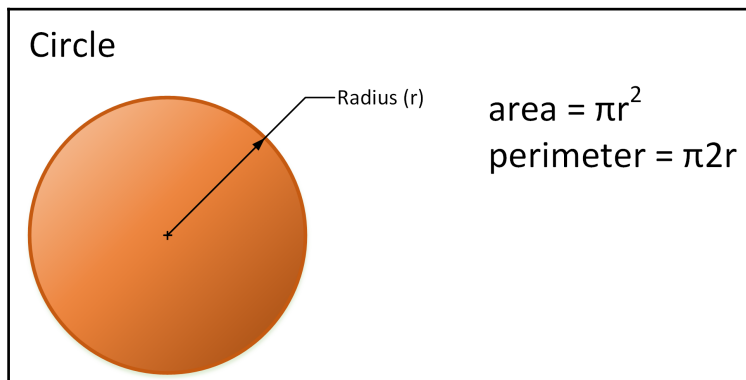
The following figure shows a drawn equilateral triangle and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. This type of triangle has equal sides, and the three internal angles are equal to 60 degrees. We just need the length of each side, usually identified as **a**:



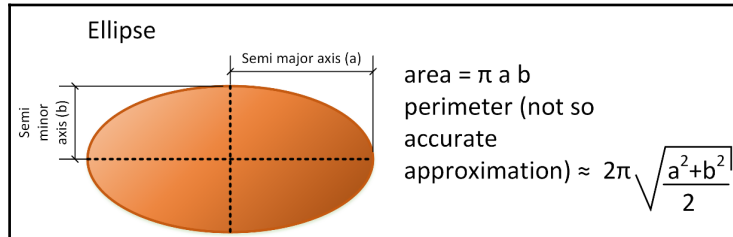
The following figure shows a drawn rectangle and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. We need the width and height values:



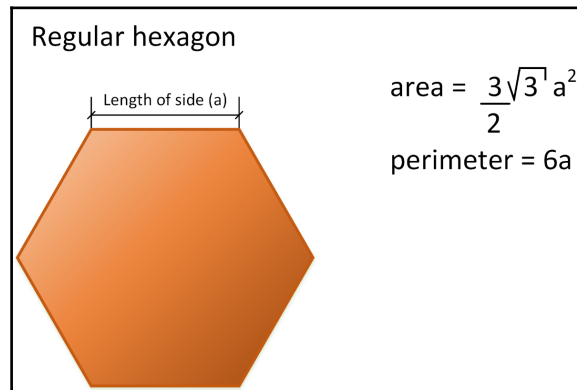
The following figure shows a drawn circle and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. We just need the radius, usually identified as **r**:



The following figure shows a drawn ellipse and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. We need the semimajor axis (usually labeled as **a**) and semiminor axis (usually labeled as **b**) values:



The following figure shows a drawn regular hexagon and the formulae that we will use to calculate the perimeter and area. We just need the length of each side, usually labeled as **a**:



The following table summarizes the data required for each shape:

Shape	Required data
Square	The length of a side
Equilateral triangle	The length of a side
Rectangle	The width and height
Circle	The radius
Ellipse	The semimajor and semiminor axes
Regular hexagon	The length of a side

Each object that represents a specific shape encapsulates the required data that we identified. For example, an object that represents an ellipse will encapsulate the ellipse's semimajor and semiminor axes.



*Data encapsulation* is one of the major pillars of object-oriented programming.

## Generating classes to create objects

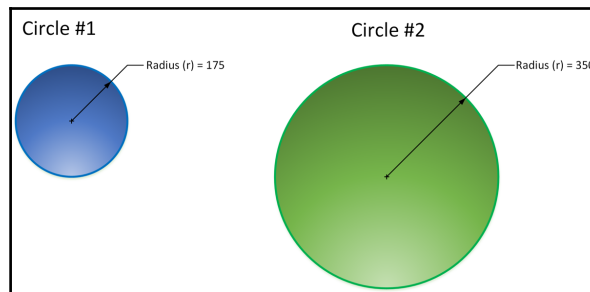
Imagine that you want to draw and calculate the areas of six different ellipses. You will end up with six ellipses drawn, their different semimajor axis and semiminor axis values, and their calculated areas. It would be great to have a blueprint to simplify the process of drawing each ellipse with their different semimajor axis and semiminor axis values.

In object-oriented programming, a class is a template definition or blueprint from which objects are created. Classes are models that define the state and behavior of an object. After declaring a class that defines the state and behavior of an ellipse, we can use it to generate objects that represent the state and behavior of each real-world ellipse:

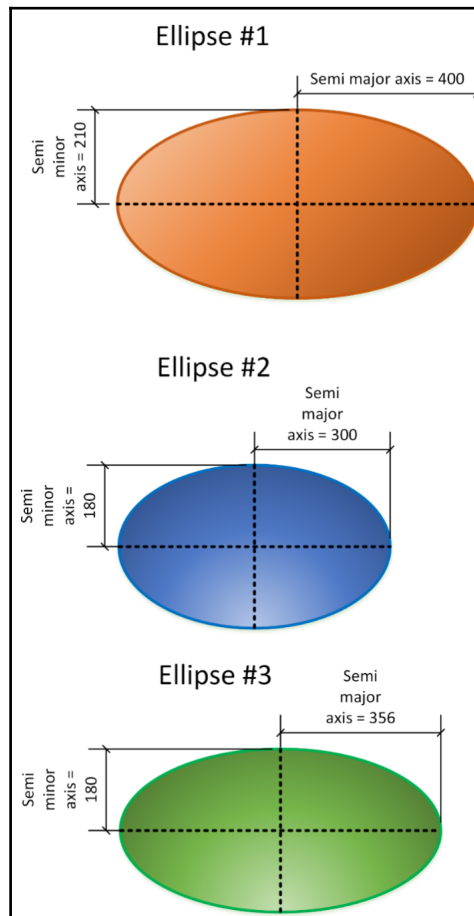


Objects are also known as instances. For example, we can say each `circle` object is an instance of the `Circle` class.

The following figure shows two circle instances drawn with their radius values specified: **Circle #1** and **Circle #2**. We can use a `Circle` class as a blueprint to generate the two different `Circle` instances. Note that **Circle #1** has a radius value of **175**, and **Circle #2** has a radius value of **350**. Each instance has a different radius value:



The following figure shows three ellipse instances drawn with their semimajor axis and semiminor axis values specified: **Ellipse #1**, **Ellipse #2**, and **Ellipse #3**. In this case, we can use an `Ellipse` class as a blueprint to generate the three different ellipse instances. It is very important to understand the difference between a class and the objects or instances generated through its usage. The object-oriented programming features supported in Swift allow us to discover which blueprint we used to generate a specific object. We will use these features in many examples in the upcoming chapters. Thus, we can know that each object is an instance of the `Ellipse` class. Each ellipse has its own specific values for the semimajor and semiminor axes:



We recognized six completely different real-world objects from the application's requirements, and therefore, we can generate the following six classes to create the necessary objects:

- Square
- EquilateralTriangle
- Rectangle
- Circle
- Ellipse
- RegularHexagon

Note the usage of Pascal case for class names; this means that the first letter of each word that composes the name is capitalized, while the other letters are in lowercase. This is a coding convention in Swift. For example, we use the `RegularHexagon` name for the class that will generate regular hexagons. Pascal case is also known as `UpperCamelCase` or `Upper Camel Case`.

## Recognizing variables and constants to create properties

We know the information required for each of the shapes to achieve our goals. Now, we have to design the classes to include the necessary properties that provide the required data to each instance. We have to make sure that each class has the necessary variables that encapsulate all the data required by the objects to perform all the tasks based on our application domain.

Let's start with the `RegularHexagon` class. It is necessary to know the length of a side for each instance of this class, that is, for each regular hexagon object. Thus, we need an encapsulated variable that allows each instance of the `RegularHexagon` class to specify the value for the length of a side.



The variables defined in a class to encapsulate the data for each instance of the class in Swift are known as **properties**. Each instance has its own independent value for the properties defined in the class. The properties allow us to define the characteristics for an instance of the class. In other programming languages, the variables defined in a class are known as either **attributes** or **fields**.

The `RegularHexagon` class defines a floating point property named `lengthOfSide`, whose initial value is equal to 0 for any new instance of the class. After we create an instance of the `RegularHexagon` class, it is possible to change the value of the `lengthOfSide` attribute.

Note the usage of Camel case, which is using a lowercase first letter, for class property names. The first letter is lowercase, and then, the first letter for each word that composes the name is capitalized, while the other letters are in lowercase. It is a coding convention in Swift for both variables and properties. For example, we use the `lengthOfSide` name for the property that stores the value of the length of a side.

Imagine that we create two instances of the `RegularHexagon` class. One of the instances is named `regularHexagon1` and the other, `regularHexagon2`. The instance names allow us to access the encapsulated data for each object, and therefore, we can use them to change the values of the exposed properties.

Swift uses a dot ( `.` ) to allow us to access the properties of instances. So, `regularHexagon1.lengthOfSide` provides access to the length of side of the `RegularHexagon` instance named `regularHexagon1`, and `regularHexagon2.lengthOfSide` does the same for the `RegularHexagon` instance named `regularHexagon2`.



Note that the naming convention makes it easy for us to differentiate an instance name, that is, a variable from a class name. Whenever we see the first letter in uppercase or capitalized, it means that we are talking about a class.

We can assign 20 to `regularHexagon1.lengthOfSide` and 50 to `regularHexagon2.lengthOfSide`. This way, each `RegularHexagon` instance will have a different value for the `lengthOfSide` attribute.

Now, let's move to the `Ellipse` class. We can define two floating point attributes for this class: `semiMajorAxis` and `semiMinorAxis`. Their initial values will also be 0. Then, we can create three instances of the `Ellipse` class named `ellipse1`, `ellipse2`, and `ellipse3`.

We can assign the values summarized in the following table to the three instances of the `Ellipse` class:

Instance name	semiMinorAxis value	semiMajorAxis value
ellipse1	210	400
ellipse2	180	300
ellipse3	180	356

This way, `ellipse1.semiMinorAxis` will be equal to 210, while `ellipse3.semiMinorAxis` will be equal to 180. The `ellipse1` instance represents an ellipse with `semiMinorAxis` of 210 and `semiMajorAxis` of 400.

The following table summarizes the floating point properties defined for each of the six classes that we need for our application:

Class name	Properties list
<code>Square</code>	<code>lengthOfSide</code>
<code>EquilateralTriangle</code>	<code>lengthOfSide</code>
<code>Rectangle</code>	<code>width</code> and <code>height</code>
<code>Circle</code>	<code>radius</code>
<code>Ellipse</code>	<code>semiMinorAxis</code> and <code>semiMajorAxis</code>
<code>RegularHexagon</code>	<code>lengthOfSide</code>

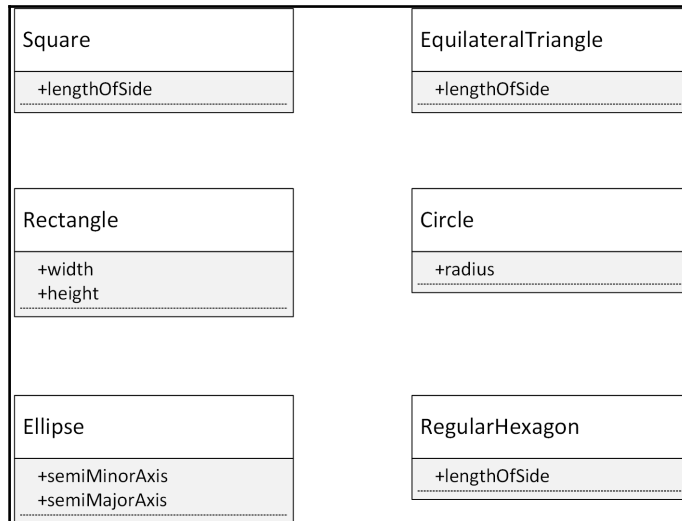


The properties are members of their respective classes. However, properties aren't the only members that classes can have.

Note that three of these classes have the same property: `lengthOfSide`-specifically, the `Square`, `EquilateralTriangle`, and `RegularHexagon` classes. We will dive deep into what these three classes have in common later and take advantage of object-oriented features to reuse code and simplify our application's maintenance. However, we are just starting our journey, and we will make improvements as we cover additional object-oriented features included in Swift.



The following figure shows a **Unified Modeling Language (UML)** class diagram with the six classes and their properties. This diagram is very easy to understand. The class name appears on the top of the rectangle that identifies each class. A rectangle below the same shape that holds the class name displays all the property names exposed by the class with a plus sign (+) as a prefix. This prefix indicates that what follows it is an attribute name in UML and a property name in Swift:



## Recognizing actions to create methods

So far, we have designed six classes and identified the necessary properties for each of them. Now, it is time to add the necessary pieces of code that work with the previously defined properties to perform all the tasks. We have to make sure that each class has the necessary encapsulated functions that process the property values specified in the objects to perform all the tasks.

Let's forget a bit about the similarities between the different classes. We will work with them individually as if we didn't have the necessary knowledge of geometric formulae. We will start with the `Square` class. We need pieces of code that allow each instance of this class to use the value of the `lengthOfSide` property to calculate the area and perimeter.



The functions defined in a class to encapsulate the behavior of each instance of the class are known as **methods**. Each instance can access the set of methods exposed by the class. The code specified in a method can work with the properties specified in the class. When we execute a method, it will use the properties of the specific instance. Whenever we define methods, we must make sure that we define them in a logical place, that is, in the place where the required data is kept.

When a method doesn't require parameters, we can say that it is a parameterless method. In this case, all the methods we will initially define for the classes will be parameterless methods that just work with the values of the previously defined properties and use the formulae shown in the figures. Thus, we will be able to call them without arguments. We will start creating methods, but we will be able to explore additional options based on specific Swift features later.

The `Square` class defines the following two parameterless methods. We will declare the code for both methods within the definition of the `Square` class so that they can access the `lengthOfSide` property value:

- `calculatedArea`: This method returns a floating point value with the calculated area for the square. It returns the square of the `lengthOfSide` attribute value ( $lengthOfSide^2$  or  $lengthOfSide \wedge 2$ ).
- `calculatedPerimeter`: This method returns a floating point value with the calculated perimeter for the square. It returns the `lengthOfSide` attribute value multiplied by 4 ( $4 * lengthOfSide$ ).

Note the usage of Camel case, that is, using a lowercase first letter, for method names. The first letter is in lowercase, and then, the first letter for each word that composes the name is capitalized, while the other letters are in lowercase. As it happened with property names, it is a coding convention in Swift for methods.

These methods do not have side effects, that is, they do not make changes to the related instance. The methods just return the calculated values. Their operation is naturally described by the `calculate` verb. We use `calculated` instead of `calculate` as the first word for their names because the verb's imperative must be used for mutating methods. In this case, the methods are nonmutating, and we follow the API design guidelines that Apple provided for Swift 3.

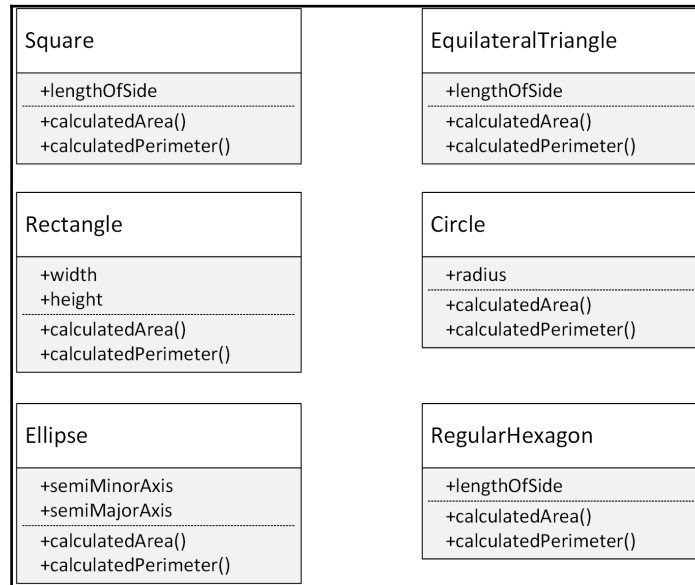
Swift uses a dot (.) to allow us to execute the methods of the instances. Imagine that we have two instances of the `Square` class: `square1` with the `lengthOfSide` property equal to 20 and `square2` with the `lengthOfSide` property equal to 40. If we call `square1.calculatedArea`, it will return the result of  $20^2$ , which is 400. If we call `square2.calculatedArea`, it will return the result of  $40^2$ , which is 1600. Each instance has a diverse value for the `lengthOfSide` attribute, and therefore, the results of executing the `calculatedArea` method are different.

If we call `square1.calculatedPerimeter`, it will return the result of  $4 * 20$ , which is 80. On the other hand, if we call `square2.calculatePerimeter`, it will return the result of  $4 * 40$ , which is 160.

Now, let's move to the `EquilateralTriangle` class. We need exactly two methods with the same names specified for the `Square` class: `calculatedArea` and `calculatedPerimeter`. In addition, the methods return the same type and don't need parameters, so we can declare both of them as parameterless methods, as we did in the `Square` class. However, these methods have to calculate the results in a different way, that is, they have to use the appropriate formulae for an equilateral triangle. The other classes also need the same two methods. However, each of them will use the appropriate formulae for the related shape.

We have a specific problem with the `calculatedPerimeter` method that the `Ellipse` class generates. Perimeters are complex to calculate for ellipses, so there are many formulae that provide approximations. An exact formula requires an infinite series of calculations. We can use an initial formula that isn't very accurate, which we will have to improve later. The initial formula will allow us to return a floating point value with the calculated approximation of the perimeter for the ellipse.

The following figure shows an updated version of the UML diagram with the six classes, their attributes, and their methods:



## Organizing classes with UML diagrams

So far, our object-oriented solution includes six classes with their properties and methods. However, if we take another look at these six classes, we will notice that all of them have the same two methods: `calculatedArea` and `calculatedPerimeter`. The code for the methods in each class is different because each shape uses a special formula to calculate either the area or the perimeter. However, the declarations, contracts, or protocols for the methods are the same. Both methods have the same name, are always parameterless, and return a floating point value. Thus, all of them return the same type.

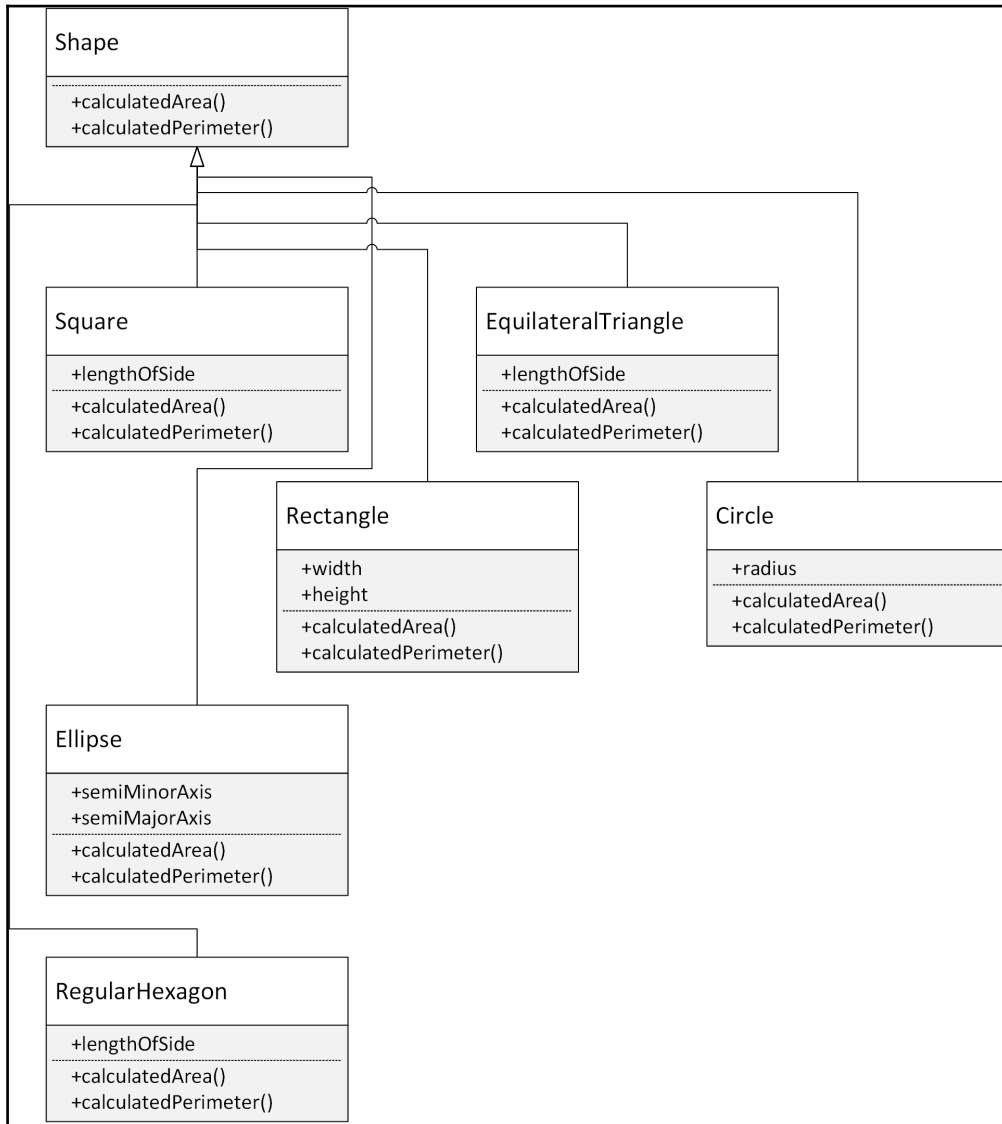
When we talked about the six classes, we said we were talking about six different geometrical shapes or simply shapes. Thus, we can generalize the required behavior or protocol for the six shapes. These shapes must define the `calculatedArea` and `calculatedPerimeter` methods with the previously explained declarations. We can create a protocol to make sure that the six classes provide the required behavior.

The protocol is a special class named `Shape`, and it generalizes the requirements for the geometrical shapes in our application. In this case, we will work with a special class, but in the future, we will use protocols for the same goal. The `Shape` class declares two parameterless methods that return a floating point value: `calculatedArea` and `calculatedPerimeter`. Then, we will declare the six classes as subclasses of the `Shape` class, which will inherit these definitions, and provide the specific code for each of these methods.

The subclasses of `Shape` (`Square`, `EquilateralTriangle`, `Rectangle`, `Circle`, `Ellipse`, and `RegularHexagon`) implement the methods because they provide code while maintaining the same method declarations specified in the `Shape` superclass. *Abstraction* and *hierarchy* are two major pillars of object-oriented programming.

Object-oriented programming allows us to discover whether an object is an instance of a specific superclass. After we change the organization of the six classes and after they become subclasses of `Shape`, any instance of `Square`, `EquilateralTriangle`, `Rectangle`, `Circle`, `Ellipse`, or `RegularHexagon` is also a `Shape` class. In fact, it isn't difficult to explain the abstraction because we speak the truth about the object-oriented model when we say that it represents the real world. It makes sense to say that a regular hexagon is indeed a shape and therefore an instance of `RegularHexagon` is a `Shape` class. An instance of `RegularHexagon` is both a `Shape` (the superclass of `RegularHexagon`) class and a `RegularHexagon` (the class that we used to create the object) class.

The following figure shows an updated version of the UML diagram with the superclass or base class (*Shape*), its six subclasses, and their attributes and methods. Note that the diagram uses a line that ends in an arrow that connects each subclass to its superclass. You can read the line that ends in an arrow as the following: the class where the line begins is a subclass of the class that has the line ending with an arrow. For example, *Square* is a subclass of *Shape* and *EquilateralTriangle* is a subclass of *Shape*:



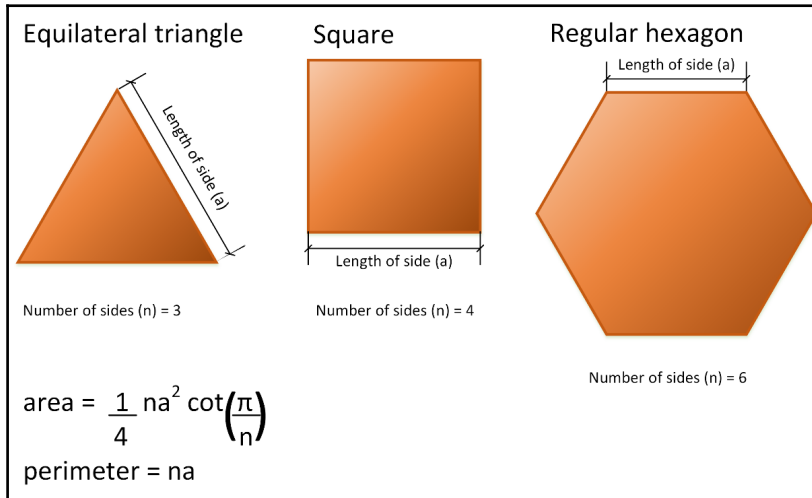


A single class can be the superclass of many subclasses.

Now, it is time to have a meeting with a domain expert, that is, someone who has an excellent knowledge of geometry. We can use the UML diagram to explain the object-oriented design for the solution. After we explain the different classes that we will use to abstract behavior, the domain expert explains to us that many of the shapes have something in common and that we can generalize behavior even further. The following three shapes are regular polygons:

- An equilateral triangle (the `EquilateralTriangle` class)
- A square (the `Square` class)
- A regular hexagon (the `RegularHexagon` class)

Regular polygons are polygons that are both equiangular and equilateral. All the sides that compose a regular polygon have the same length and are placed around a common center. This way, all the angles between any two sides are equal. An equilateral triangle is a regular polygon with three sides, the square has four sides, and the regular hexagon has six sides. The following picture shows the three regular polygons and the generalized formulae that we can use to calculate their areas and perimeters. The generalized formula to calculate the area requires us to calculate a cotangent, which is abbreviated as **cot**:

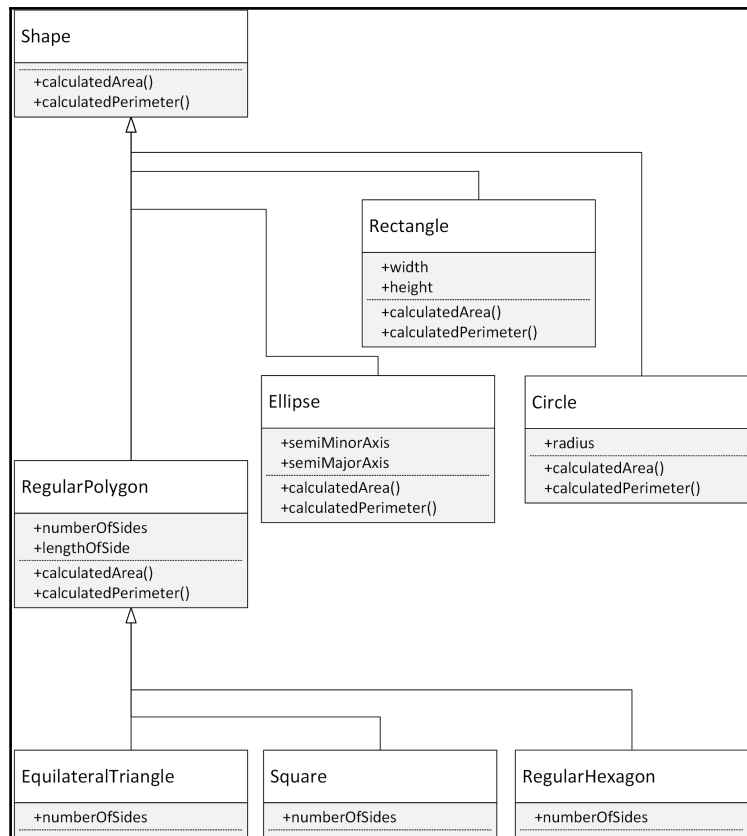


As the three shapes use the same formula with just a different value for the number of sides (**n**) parameter, we can generalize the required protocol for the three regular polygons. The protocol is a special class named `RegularPolygon` that defines a new `numberOfSides` property that specifies the number of sides with an integer value. The `RegularPolygon` class is a subclass of the previously defined `Shape` class. It makes sense because a regular polygon is indeed a shape. The three classes that represent regular polygons become subclasses of `RegularPolygon`. However, both the `calculateArea` and `calculatedPerimeter` methods are coded in the `RegularPolygon` class using the generalized formulae. The subclasses just specify the right value for the inherited `numberOfSides` property, as follows:

- `EquilateralTriangle`: 3
- `Square`: 4
- `RegularHexagon`: 6

The `RegularPolygon` class also defines the `lengthOfSide` property that was previously defined in the three classes that represent regular polygons. Now, the three classes become subclasses of `RegularPolygon` and inherit the `lengthOfSide` property. The following figure shows an updated version of the UML diagram with the new `RegularPolygon` class and the changes in the three classes that represent regular polygons. The three classes that represent regular polygons do not declare either the `calculatedArea` or `calculatedPerimeter` methods because these classes inherit them from the `RegularPolygon` superclass and don't need to make changes to these methods that apply a general formula:





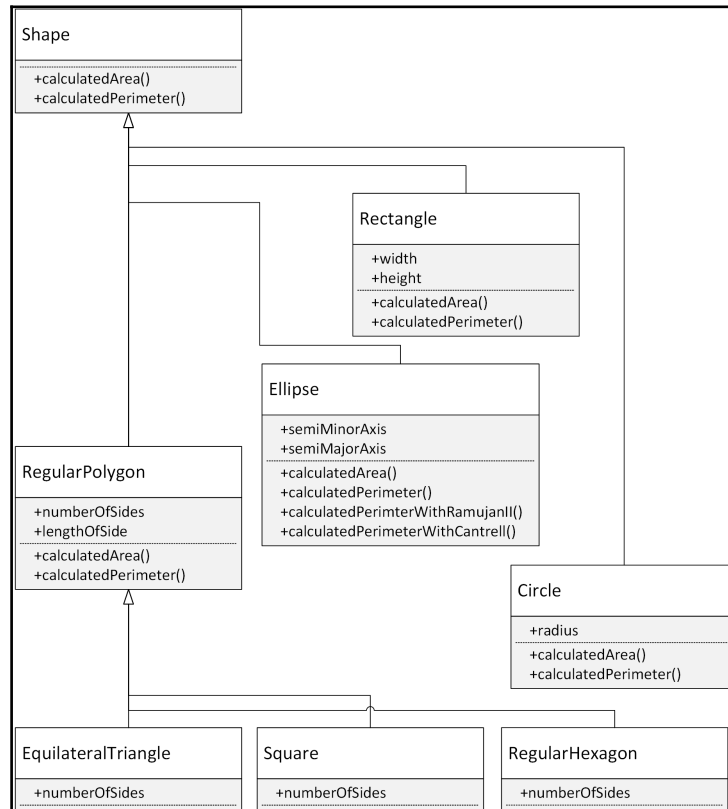
Our domain expert also explains to us a specific issue with ellipses. There are many formulae that provide approximations of the perimeter value for this shape. Thus, it makes sense to add additional methods that calculate the perimeter using other formulae. He suggests us to make it possible to calculate the perimeters with the following formulae:

- The second version of the formula developed by Srinivasa Aiyangar Ramanujan
- The formula proposed by David W. Cantrell

We will define the following two additional parameterless methods to the `Ellipse` class. The new methods will return a floating point value and solve the specific problem of the ellipse shape:

- `CalculatedPerimeterWithRamanujanII`
- `CalculatedPerimeterWithCantrell`

This way, the `Ellipse` class will implement the methods specified in the `Shape` superclass and also add two specific methods that aren't included in any of the other subclasses of `Shape`. The following figure shows an updated version of the UML diagram with the new methods for the `Ellipse` class:



## Working with API objects in the Xcode Playground

Now, let's forget a bit about geometry, shapes, polygons, perimeters, and areas. We will interact with API objects in the Xcode Playground. You still need to learn many things before we can start creating object-oriented code. However, we will write some code in the Playground to interact with an existing API before we move forward with our journey into the object-oriented programming world.



The following example interacts with an iOS API, and therefore, you cannot run it in Ubuntu or in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox. However, you will be able to run most of the examples that don't interact with iOS APIs in the forthcoming chapters.

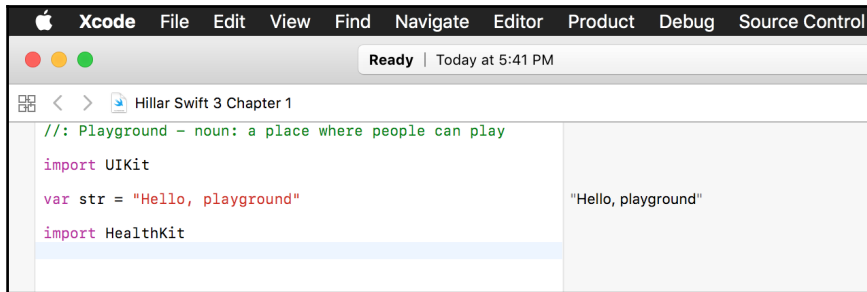
Object-oriented programming is extremely useful when you have to interact with API objects. When Apple launched iOS 8, it introduced a Health app that provided iPhone users access to a dashboard of health and fitness data. The **HealthKit** framework introduced in the iOS SDK 8 allows app developers to request permissions from the users themselves to read and write specific types of health and fitness data. The framework makes it possible to ask for, create, and save health and fitness data that the users will see summarized in the Health app. This app is still a very important app in iOS 10, and the Apple Watch device in its two versions can generate very useful data for this app.

When we store and query health and fitness data, we have to use the framework to work with the units in which the values are expressed, their conversions, and localizations. For example, let's imagine an app that stores body temperature data without considering the units and their conversions. A value of 39 degrees Celsius (which is equivalent to 102.2 degrees Fahrenheit) in an adult would mean that the person's body temperature is higher than normal (that is, they may have a fever). However, a value of 39 degrees Fahrenheit (equivalent to 3.88 degrees Celsius) would mean that the person's body is close to its freezing point. If our app just stores values without considering the related units and user preferences, we can have huge mistakes. If the app just saves 39 degrees and thinks that the user will always display Celsius, it will still display 39 degrees to a user whose settings use Fahrenheit as the default temperature unit. Thus, the app will provide wrong information to the user.

The data in HealthKit is always represented by a double value with an associated simple or complex unit. The units are classified into types, and it is possible to check the compatibility between units before performing conversions. We can work with HealthKit quantities and units in the Swift interactive Playground and understand how simple it is to work with an object-oriented framework. It is important to note that the Playground doesn't allow us to interact with the HealthKit data store. However, we will just play with quantities and units in a few object-oriented snippets.

Start Xcode, navigate to **File | New | Playground...**, enter a name for **Playground**, select **iOS** as the desired platform, click on **Next**, select the desired location for the Playground file, and click on **Create**. Xcode will display a Playground window with a line that imports `UIKit` and creates a `string` variable. You just need to add the following line to be able to work with quantities and units from the `HealthKit` framework, as shown in the subsequent screenshot:

```
import HealthKit
```



Xcode allows us to create playgrounds for any of the following platforms: iOS, Mac OS, and tvOS.

All `HealthKit` types start with the `HK` prefix. `HKUnit` represents a particular unit that can be either simple or complex. Simple units for temperature are degrees Celsius and degrees Fahrenheit. A complex unit for mass/volume is ounces per liter (`oz/L`). `HKUnit` supports many standard **SI** units (**Système International d'Unités** in French, **International System of Units** in English) and non-SI units.

Add the following two lines to the Swift Playground and check the results on the right-hand side of the window; you will notice that they generate instances of `HKTemperatureUnit`. Thus, you created two objects that represent temperature units, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder:

```
let degCUnit = HKUnit.degreeCelsius()  
let degFUnit = HKUnit.degreeFahrenheit()
```



In Swift 2.x, in order to work with the APIs, it was necessary to repeat information many times. Swift 3 reduced the need to repeat information that was obvious, and therefore, we have to write less code to achieve the same goal compared with Swift 2.x. For example, in Swift 2.x, it was necessary to write `HKUnit.degreeCelsiusUnit()` and `HKUnit.degreeFahrenheitUnit()`. The `HKUnit` prefix makes it clear that we are talking about a unit, and therefore, Swift 3 removed the `Unit` word as a suffix of both `HKUnit.degreeCelsiusUnit()` and `HKUnit.degreeFahrenheitUnit()`. As a result, we can write the previously shown code that uses `HKUnit.degreeCelsius()` and `HKUnit.degreeFahrenheit()`.

However, there are other ways to create objects that represent temperature units. It is also possible to use the `HKUnit` initializer, which returns the appropriate unit instance from its string representation. For example, the following lines also generate instances of `HKTemperatureUnit` for degrees in Celsius and Fahrenheit. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder:

```
let degCUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degC")
let degFUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degF")
```



In Swift 2.x, it was necessary to use `fromString` instead of `from` to achieve the same goal shown in the previous lines. Swift 3 reduced the code that it is necessary to write to make API calls.

The following lines generate two instances of `HKEnergyUnit`—one for kilocalories and the other for kilojoules. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder:

```
let kiloCaloriesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kcal")
let joulesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kJ")
```

The next two lines generate two instances of `HKMassUnit`—one for kilograms and the other for pounds. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder:

```
let kiloGramsUnit = HKUnit.gramUnit(with:
HKMetricPrefix.kilo)
let poundsUnit = HKUnit.pound()
```

The next line generates an instance of `_HKCompoundUnit` because the string specifies a complex unit for mass/volume: ounces per liter (oz/L). The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder. The subsequent screenshot shows the results displayed in the Playground:

```
let ouncesPerLiter = HKUnit(from: "oz/L")
```



```
import UIKit
var str = "Hello, playground"
import HealthKit
let degCUnit = HKUnit.degreeCelsius()
let degFUnit = HKUnit.degreeFahrenheit()
let degCUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degC")
let degFUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degF")
let kiloCaloriesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kcal")
let joulesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kJ")
let kiloGramsUnit = HKUnit.gramUnit(with: HKMetricPrefix.kilo)
let poundsUnit = HKUnit.pound()
let ouncesPerLiter = HKUnit(from: "oz/L")
```

"Hello, playground"
degC degF
degC degF
kcal kJ
kg lb
oz/L

`HKQuantity` encapsulates a quantity value (`Double`) and the unit of measurement (`HKUnit`). This class doesn't provide all the operations you might expect to work with quantities and their units of measure, but it allows you to perform some useful compatibility checks and conversions.

The following lines create two `HKQuantity` instances with temperature units; we name the instances `bodyTemperature1` and `bodyTemperature2`. The former uses degrees Celsius (`degCUnit`) and the latter degrees Fahrenheit (`degFUnit`). Then, the code calls the `isCompatibleWith` method with the `compatibleWith` argument to make sure that each `HKQuantity` instance can be converted to degrees Fahrenheit (`degFUnit`). If `isCompatibleWith` returns `true`, it means that you can convert to `HKUnit`, which is specified as the `compatibleWith` argument. We always have to call this method before calling the `doubleValue` method. This way, we will avoid errors when the units aren't compatible.

The `doubleValue` method returns the quantity value converted to the unit specified as the `for` argument. In this case, the two calls make sure that the value is expressed in degrees Fahrenheit, no matter what the temperature unit specified in each `HKQuantity` instance is. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder. The screenshot that follows the given code shows the results displayed in the Playground:

```
let bodyTemperature1 = HKQuantity(unit: degCUnit,
doubleValue: 35.2)
```

```
let bodyTemperature2 = HKQuantity(unit: degFUnit,
doubleValue: 95)
print(bodyTemperature1.description)
print(bodyTemperature2.description)

if bodyTemperature1.is(compatibleWith: degFUnit) {
    print("Temperature #1 in Fahrenheit degrees: \
        (bodyTemperature1.doubleValue(for: degFUnit)) ")
}

if bodyTemperature2.is(compatibleWith: degFUnit) {
    print("Temperature #2 in Fahrenheit degrees: \
        (bodyTemperature2.doubleValue(for: degFUnit)) ")
}
```

<pre>var str = "Hello, playground"  import HealthKit  let degCUnit = HKUnit.degreeCelsius() let degFUnit = HKUnit.degreeFahrenheit()  let degCUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degC") let degFUnitFromStr = HKUnit(from: "degF")  let kiloCaloriesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kcal") let joulesUnit = HKUnit(from: "kJ")  let kiloGramsUnit = HKUnit.gramUnit(with: HKMetricPrefix.kilo) let poundsUnit = HKUnit.pound()  let ouncesPerLiter = HKUnit(from: "oz/L")  let bodyTemperature1 = HKQuantity(unit: degCUnit, doubleValue: 35.2) let bodyTemperature2 = HKQuantity(unit: degFUnit, doubleValue: 95) print(bodyTemperature1.description) print(bodyTemperature2.description)  if bodyTemperature1.is(compatibleWith: degFUnit) {     print("Temperature #1 in Fahrenheit degrees: \         (bodyTemperature1.doubleValue(for: degFUnit)) ") }  if bodyTemperature2.is(compatibleWith: degFUnit) {     print("Temperature #2 in Fahrenheit degrees: \         (bodyTemperature2.doubleValue(for: degFUnit)) ") }</pre>	<pre>"Hello, playground"  degC degF  degC degF  kcal kJ  kg lb  oz/L  35.2 degC 95 degF  "35.2 degC\n" "95 degF\n"  "Temperature #1 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.35999999999999\n"  "Temperature #2 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.0\n"</pre>
<pre>35.2 degC 95 degF Temperature #1 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.35999999999999 Temperature #2 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.0</pre>	

The following line shows an example of the code that creates a new `HKQuantity` instance with a quantity and temperature unit converted from degrees Fahrenheit to degrees Celsius. There is no `convert` method that acts as a shortcut, so we have to call `doubleValue` and use it in the `HKQuantity` initializer, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_01_01` folder:

```
let bodyTemperature2InDegC = HKQuantity(unit:
    degCUnit, doubleValue:
    bodyTemperature2.doubleValue(for: degCUnit))
```

The `compare` method returns a `ComparisonResult` value that indicates whether the receiver is greater than, equal to, or less than the compatible `HKQuantity` value specified as an argument. For example, the following lines compare `bodyTemperature1` with `bodyTemperature2` and print the results of the comparison. Note that it isn't necessary to convert both the `HKQuantity` instances to the same unit; they just need to be compatible, and the `compare` method will be able to perform the comparison by making the necessary conversions under the hood. In this case, one of the temperatures is in degrees Celsius and the other is in degrees Fahrenheit. The screenshot that follows the given code shows the results displayed in the Playground:

```
let bodyTemperature2InDegC = HKQuantity(unit:
    degCUnit, doubleValue:
    bodyTemperature2.doubleValue(for: degCUnit))

let comparisonResult =
bodyTemperature1.compare(bodyTemperature2)
switch comparisonResult {
    case ComparisonResult.orderedDescending:
        print("Temperature #1 is greater than #2")
    case ComparisonResult.orderedAscending:
        print("Temperature #2 is greater than #1")
    case ComparisonResult.orderedSame:
        print("Temperature #1 is equal to Temperature #2")
}
```



```
let bodyTemperature2InDegC = HKQuantity(unit: degCUnit,
doubleValue: bodyTemperature2.doubleValue(for: degCUnit))
35 degC

let comparisonResult = bodyTemperature1.compare
(bodyTemperature2)
ComparisonResult
switch comparisonResult {
case ComparisonResult.orderedDescending:
print("Temperature #1 is greater than #2")
"Temperature #1 is greater than #2\n"
case ComparisonResult.orderedAscending:
print("Temperature #2 is greater than #1")
case ComparisonResult.orderedSame:
print("Temperature #1 is equal to Temperature #2")
}
```

35.2 degC  
95 degF  
Temperature #1 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.35999999999999  
Temperature #2 in Fahrenheit degrees: 95.0  
Temperature #1 is greater than #2



In many cases, the APIs removed the NS prefix in Swift 3. In Swift 2.3, the compare method returned an NSComparisonResult value. In Swift 3, the compare method returns a ComparisonResult value. In addition, the APIs in Swift 3 use lowerCamelCase for enumeration values. Therefore, the NSComparisonResult.orderedDescending value in Swift 2.3 is ComparisonResult.orderedDescending in Swift 3.

## Exercises

Now that you understand what an object is, it is time to recognize objects in different applications:

- **Exercise 1:** Work with an iOS app and recognize its objects. Work with an app that has both an iPhone and iPad version. Execute the app in both versions and recognize the different objects that the developers might have used to code the app. Create a UML diagram with the classes that you would use to create the app. Think about the methods and properties that you would require for each class. If the app is extremely complex, just focus on a specific feature.
- **Exercise 2:** Work with a Mac OS application and recognize its objects. Execute the app and work with a specific feature. Recognize the objects that interact to enable you to work with the feature. Write down the objects you recognized and their required behaviors.

## Test your knowledge

1. Objects are also known as:
  1. Classes
  2. Subclasses
  3. Instances
2. The code specified in a method within a class:
  1. Cannot access the properties specified in the class
  2. Can access the properties specified in the class
  3. Cannot interact with other members of the class
3. A subclass:
  1. Inherits all members from its superclass
  2. Inherits only methods from its superclass
  3. Inherits only properties from its superclass
4. The variables defined in a class to encapsulate data for each instance of the class in Swift are known as:
  1. Subclasses
  2. Properties
  3. Methods
5. The functions defined in a class to encapsulate behavior for each instance of the class are known as:
  1. Subclasses
  2. Properties
  3. Methods
6. Which of the following conventions is appropriate for enumeration values in Swift 3:
  1. lowerCamelCase
  2. UpperCamelCase
  3. ALL UPPERCASE
7. Which of the following class names follow the PascalCase convention, also known as the UpperCamelCase convention, and would be an appropriate name for a class in Swift 3:
  1. regularHexagon
  2. RegularHexagon
  3. Regularhexagon

8. Which of the following method names would be appropriate for a non-mutating method that returns the calculated perimeter for a square in Swift 3, considering the API design guidelines:
  1. `calculatedPerimeter`
  2. `calculatePerimeter`
  3. `calculateThePerimeter`
9. Which of the following method names would be appropriate for a mutating method that saves the calculated perimeter of an instance's property for a square in Swift 3, considering the API design guidelines:
  1. `calculatedPerimeter`
  2. `calculatePerimeter`
  3. `calculatingPerimeter`

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned how to recognize real-world elements and translate them into the different components of the object-oriented paradigm supported in Swift 3: classes, protocols, properties, methods, and instances. You understood that the classes represent blueprints or templates to generate the objects, also known as instances.

We designed a few classes with properties and methods that represent blueprints for real-life objects. Then, we improved the initial design by taking advantage of the power of abstraction and specialized different classes. We generated many versions of the initial UML diagram as we added superclasses and subclasses. Finally, we wrote some code in the Swift Playground to understand how we can interact with API objects. We recognized many differences between Swift 3 and the previous versions of the programming language when interacting with APIs.

Now that you have learned some of the basics of the object-oriented paradigm, we are ready to start creating classes and instances in Swift 3, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 2

## Structures, Classes, and Instances

In this chapter, you will learn the differences between structures and classes. We will start working with examples on how to code classes and customize the initialization and deinitialization of instances. We will understand how classes work as blueprints to generate instances and dive deep into all the details of **Automatic Reference Counting (ARC)**.

### Understanding structures, classes, and instances

In the previous chapter, you learned some of the basics of the object-oriented paradigm, including classes and objects, which are also known as instances. We started working on an app required by an acrylic paint manufacturer who wanted to take full advantage of the popularity of an admired YouTuber, painter, and craftswoman. We ended up creating a UML diagram with the structure of many classes, including their hierarchy, properties, and methods. It is time to take advantage of the Xcode Playground to start coding the classes and work with them.



We can also execute all the examples included in this chapter in the Swift REPL in either macOS or Linux. In addition, we can execute the samples in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox. We will analyze the results of executing the sample code in the Xcode Playground, the Swift REPL, and IBM Swift Sandbox.

In Swift, a class is always the type and blueprint. The object is the working instance of the class, and one or more variables can hold a reference to an instance. An object is an instance of the class and the variables can be of a specific type (that is, a class) and hold objects of the specific blueprint that we generated when declaring the class.

It is very important to mention some of the differences between a class and structure in Swift. A structure is also a type and blueprint. In fact, structures in Swift are very similar to classes. You can add methods and properties to structures as you do with classes, with the same syntax.



However, there is a very important difference between structures and classes: Swift always copies structures when you pass them around the code because structures are value types. For example, whenever you pass a structure as an argument to a method or function, Swift copies the structure. When you work with classes, Swift passes them by reference because classes are reference types. In addition, classes support inheritance, while structures don't.

There are other differences between classes and structures. However, we will focus on the capabilities of classes because they will be the main building blocks of our object-oriented solutions.

Now, let's move to the world of superheroes. If we want to model an object-oriented app to work with superheroes, we will definitely have a `SuperHero` base class. Each superhero available in our app will be a subclass of the `SuperHero` superclass. For example, let's consider that we have the following subclasses of `SuperHero`:

- `SpiderMan`: This is a blueprint for Spider-Man
- `AntMan`: This is a blueprint for Ant-Man

So, each superhero becomes a subclass of `SuperHero` and a type in Swift. Each superhero is a blueprint that we will use to create instances. Suppose Kevin, Brandon, and Nicholas are three players who select a superhero as their preferred character to play a game in our app. Kevin and Brandon choose Spider-Man, and Nicholas selects Ant-Man. In our application, Kevin will be an instance of the `SpiderMan` subclass, Brandon will be an instance of the `SpiderMan` subclass, and Nicholas will be an instance of the `AntMan` subclass.

As Kevin, Brandon, and Nicholas are superheroes, they share many properties. Some of these properties will be initialized by the class, because the superhero they belong to determines some features — for example, the super powers, strength, running speed, flying speed (in case the superhero has flight abilities), attack power, and defense power. However, other properties will be specific to the instance, such as the name, weight, age, costume, and hair colors.

## Understanding initialization and its customization

When you ask Swift to create an instance of a specific class, something happens under the hood. Swift creates a new instance of the specified type, allocates the necessary memory, and then executes the code specified in the initializer.



You can think of initializers as equivalents of constructors in other programming languages such as C# and Java.

When Swift executes the code within an initializer, there is already a live instance of the class. Thus, we have access to the properties and methods defined in the class. However, we must be careful in the code we put in the initializer because we might end up generating huge delays when we create instances of the class.



Initializers are extremely useful to execute setup code and properly initialize a new instance.

So, for example, before you can call either the `calculatedArea` or `calculatedPerimeter` method, you want both the `semiMajorAxis` and `semiMinorAxis` fields for each new `Ellipse` instance to have a value initialized to the appropriate values that represent the shape. Initializers are extremely useful when we want to define the values for the properties of the instances of a class right after their creation and before we can access the variables that reference the created instances.

Sometimes, we need specific arguments to be available at the time of creating an instance. We can design different initializers with the necessary arguments and use them to create instances of a class. This way, we can make sure that there is no way of creating specific classes without using the provided initializers that make the necessary arguments required.

Swift uses a two-phase initialization process for classes. The first phase makes each class in the hierarchy that defines a property assign the initial value for each of them. Once all the properties are assigned their initial values, the second phase allows each class in the hierarchy to customize each of its defined properties. After the second phase finishes, the new instance is ready to be used, and Swift allows us to access the variable that references this instance to access its properties and/or call its methods.



In case you have experience with Objective-C, the two-phase initialization process in Swift is very similar to the procedure in Objective-C. However, Swift allows us to set customized initial values.

## Understanding deinitialization and its customization

At some specific times, our app won't need to work with an instance anymore. For example, once you calculate the perimeter of a regular hexagon and display the results to the user, you don't need the specific `RegularHexagon` instance anymore. Some programming languages require you to be careful about leaving live instances alive, and you have to explicitly destroy them and deallocate the memory that it consumed.

Swift uses an automatic reference counting, also known as ARC, to automatically deallocate the memory used by instances that aren't being referenced anymore. When Swift detects that you aren't referencing an instance anymore, Swift executes the code specified within the instance's deinitializer before the instance is deallocated from memory. Thus, the deinitializer can still access all of the instance's resources.



You can think of deinitializers as equivalents of destructors in other programming languages such as C# and Java. You can use deinitializers to perform any necessary cleanup before the objects are deallocated and removed from memory.

For example, think about the following situation: you need to count the number of instances of a specific class that are being kept alive. You can have a variable shared by all the classes. Then, customize the class initializer to automatically increase the value for the counter, that is, increase the value of the variable shared by all the classes. Finally, customize the class deinitializer to atomically decrease the value for the counter. This way, you can check the value of this variable to know the objects that are being referenced in your application.

## Understanding automatic reference counting

Automatic reference counting is very easy to understand. Imagine that we have to distribute the items that we store in a box. After we distribute all the items, we must throw the box in a recycle bin. We cannot throw the box in the recycle bin when we still have one or more items in it. Seriously, we don't want to lose the items we have to distribute because they are very expensive.

The problem has a very easy solution; we just need to count the number of items that remain in the box. When the number of items in the box reaches zero, we can get rid of the box.



One or more variables can hold a reference to a single instance of a class. Thus, it is necessary to count the number of references to an instance before Swift can get rid of an instance. When the number of references to a specific instance reaches zero, Swift can automatically and safely remove the instance from memory because nobody needs this specific instance anymore.

For example, you can create an instance of a class and assign it to a variable. The automatic reference counting mechanism registers the reference and knows that there is one reference to this instance. Then, you can assign the same instance to another variable, and therefore, the automatic reference counting mechanism will increase the reference count for the single instance to two.

After the first variable runs out of scope, the second variable that holds a reference to the instance will still be accessible. The automatic reference counting mechanism will decrease the reference count for the single instance to one as a result of the first variable running out of scope. At this point, the reference count for the single instance is equal to one and, therefore, the instance must still be available, that is, we need it alive.

After the second variable runs out of scope, there are no more variables that hold a reference to the instance; therefore, the automatic reference counting mechanism will decrease the reference count for the single instance to zero and mark it as disposable. At this point, the instance can be safely removed from memory.



The automatic reference counting mechanism can remove the instance from memory at any time after the reference count for the instance reaches zero.



## Declaring classes

The following lines declare a new minimal `Circle` class in Swift. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_01` folder:

```
class Circle {  
}
```

The `class` keyword, followed by the class name (`Circle`), composes the header of the class definition. In this case, the class doesn't have a parent class or superclass; therefore, there are neither superclasses listed after the class name nor a colon (`:`). A pair of curly braces (`{}`) encloses the class body after the class header. In the forthcoming chapters, we will declare classes that inherit from another class, and therefore, they will have a superclass. In this case, the class body is empty. The `Circle` class is the simplest possible class we can declare in Swift.



Any new class you create that doesn't specify a superclass is considered a base class. Whenever you declare a class without a subclass, the class doesn't inherit from a universal base class, as happens in other programming languages such as C#. Thus, the `Circle` class is known as a base class in Swift.

## Customizing initialization

We want to initialize instances of the `Circle` class with the radius value. In order to do so, we can take advantage of customized initializers. Initializers aren't methods, but we will write them with syntax that is very similar to the instance methods. They will use the `init` keyword to differentiate from instance methods, and Swift will execute them automatically when we create an instance of a given type. Swift runs the code within the initializer before any other code within a class.

We can define an initializer that receives the radius value as an argument and use it to initialize a property with the same name. We can define as many initializers as we want to, and therefore, we can provide many different ways of initializing a class. In this case, we just need one initializer.

The following lines create a `Circle` class and define an initializer within the class body. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_02` folder:

```
class Circle {
    var radius: Double
    init(radius: Double)
    {
        print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance
              with a radius value of \(radius).")
        self.radius = radius
    }
}
```

The initializer is declared with the `init` keyword. The initializer receives a single argument: `radius`. The code within the initializer prints a message on the console indicating that the code is initializing a new `Circle` instance with a specific radius value. This way, we will understand when the code within the initializer is executed. As the initializer has an argument, we can call it a parameterized initializer.

Then, the next line assigns the `radius` the `Double` value received as an argument to the `radius` class's `Double` property. We will use `self.radius` to access the `radius` property for the instance and `radius` to reference the argument. In Swift, the `self` keyword provides access to the instance that is created and we want to initialize. The line before the initializer declares the `radius` double property. We will dive deep into the proper usage of properties in Chapter 3, *Encapsulation of Data with Properties and Subscripts*.

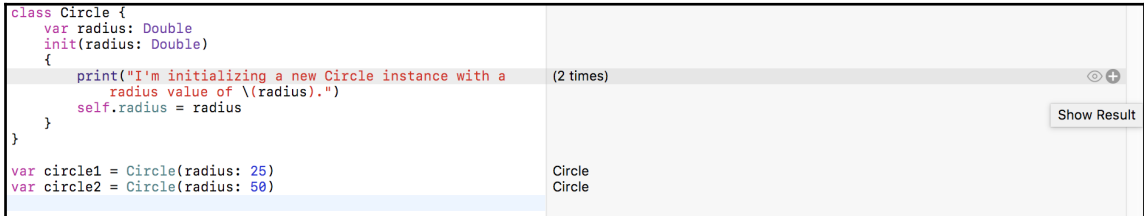
The following lines create two instances of the `Circle` class named `circle1` and `circle2`. Note that it is necessary to use the `radius` argument label each time we create an instance because we use the previously declared initializer. The initializer specifies `radius` as the name of the argument of the `Double` type that it requires. When we create an instance, we have to use the same argument name indicated in the initializer declaration, `radius`, followed by a colon (:), and the value we want to pass for the parameter. The first line specifies `radius: 25`; therefore, we will pass 25 to the `radius` parameter. The second line specifies `radius: 50`, and therefore, we will pass 50 to the `radius` parameter. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_03` folder:

```
var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
```

After we enter all the lines that declare the class and create the two instances in the Playground, we will see two messages that say, `I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of`, followed by the radius value specified in the call to the initializer of each instance in the Debug area, at the bottom of the Playground window.

On the right-hand side, we will see **(2 times)** displayed for the call to the `print` function within the initializer of the `Circle` class.

Hover the mouse over **(2 times)** and click on the Show Result button displayed with a plus sign (+) and located on the right-hand side, as shown in the following screenshot:



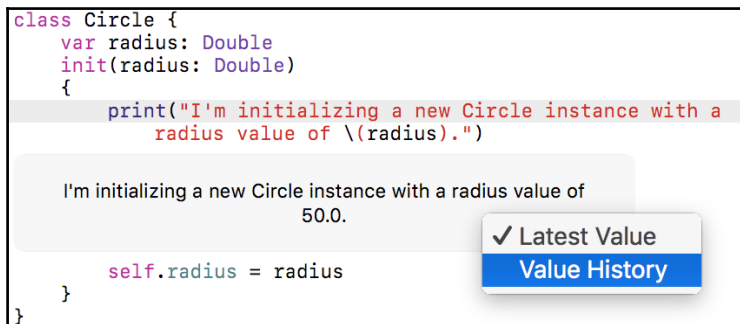
```
class Circle {
  var radius: Double
  init(radius: Double)
  {
    print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a
      radius value of \(radius).")
    self.radius = radius
  }
}

var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
```

(2 times)

Show Result

By default, the Playground will display the latest value generated with the call to the `print` function: I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0. Because the initializer was executed twice (two times), we want the Playground to display the two generated values. Control-click on the rounded rectangle that displays I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0, and select **Value History** in the context menu, as shown in the next screenshot:



```
class Circle {
  var radius: Double
  init(radius: Double)
  {
    print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a
      radius value of \(radius).")
    self.radius = radius
  }
}
```

I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.

✓ Latest Value  
Value History

This way, the Playground will display all the values that were generated each time the `print` function was called. In this case, the Playground will display two values. On the right-hand side of each line that creates a `Circle` instance, we will see **Circle** displayed, indicating to us the type of the created instance. Hover the mouse over each **Circle** text and click on the Show Result button displayed with a plus sign (+) and located on the right-hand side. The Playground will display the value for the radius property below each line that creates a **Circle** instance, as shown in the following screenshot:

```
class Circle {
    var radius: Double
    init(radius: Double)
    {
        print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a
            radius value of \(radius).")
    }
    self.radius = radius
}
var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
```

I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.  
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.

radius 25

radius 50

(2 times)

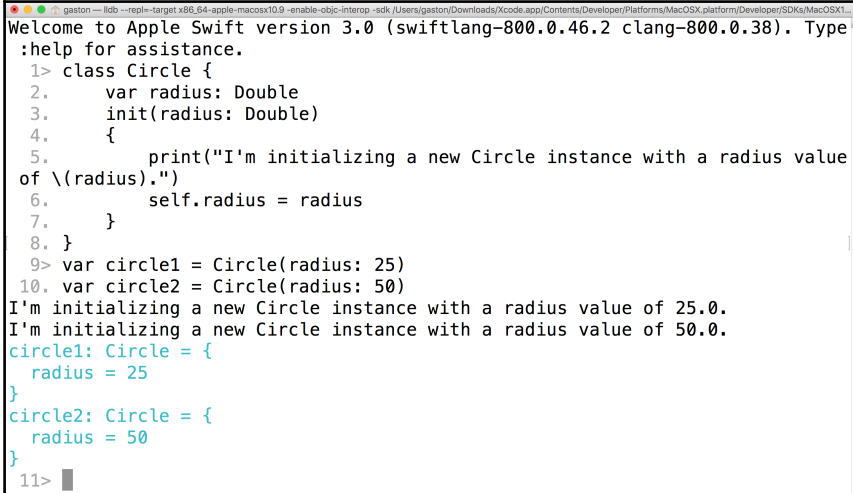
Circle

Circle



We will use the **Show Results** and **Value History** options in the Playground to understand how our code works. Many screenshots will display the results of using both options.

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the Swift REPL. After the REPL displays the initialization messages, it displays details about the two instances we just created: `circle1` and `circle2`. The details include the values for the `radius` property:



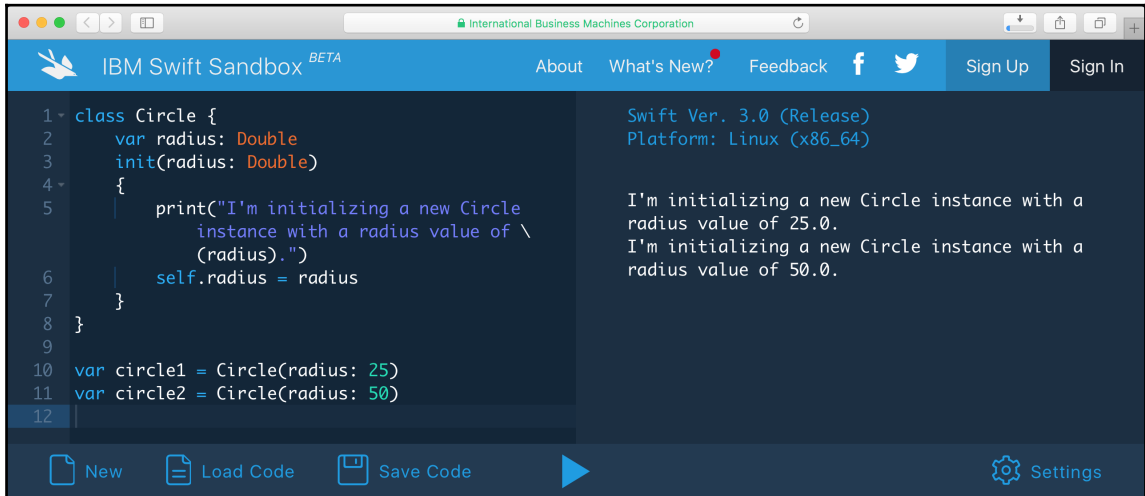
```
gaston --lldb --repl-target x86_64-apple-macosx10.9 --enable-objc-interop -sdk /Users/gaston/Downloads/Xcode.app/Contents/Developer/Platforms/MacOSX.platform/Developer/SDKs/MacOSX10.9.sdk
Welcome to Apple Swift version 3.0 (swiftlang-800.0.46.2 clang-800.0.38). Type :help for assistance.
1> class Circle {
2.     var radius: Double
3.     init(radius: Double)
4.     {
5.         print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value
of \(radius).")
6.         self.radius = radius
7.     }
8. }
9> var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
10> var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.
circle1: Circle = {
    radius = 25
}
circle2: Circle = {
    radius = 50
}
11>
```

The following lines show the output that the Swift REPL displays after we create the two `Circle` instances:

```
circle1: Circle = {
    radius = 25
}
circle2: Circle = {
    radius = 50
}
```

We can read the two lines as follows: `circle1` is an instance of `Circle` with its `radius` property set to 25, and `circle2` is an instance of `Circle` with its `radius` property set to 50.

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox:



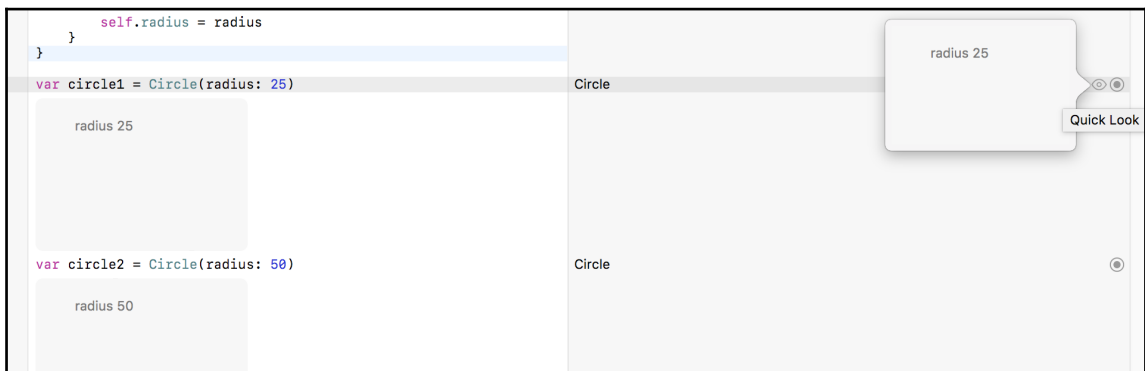
```
1 class Circle {
2     var radius: Double
3     init(radius: Double)
4     {
5         print("I'm initializing a new Circle
6             instance with a radius value of \
7             (radius).")
8         self.radius = radius
9     }
10 }
11 var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
12 var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
```

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Platform: Linux (x86\_64)

I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.  
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.

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Each line that creates an instance uses the class name followed by the argument label and the desired value for the `radius` class as an argument enclosed in parentheses. Swift automatically assigns the `Circle` type for each of the variables (`circle1` and `circle2`). After we execute the two lines that create the instances of `Circle`, we can take a look at the values for `circle1.radius` and `circle2.radius` in the Playground. We can click on the Quick Look icon (an eye) on the right-hand side, located on the left-hand side of the Show Result icon that has been converted to a Hide Result icon because we are already showing the results. A popup will display the property and its value for the instance. The following screenshot shows the results of inspecting `circle1`:



```
self.radius = radius
}
var circle1 = Circle(radius: 25)
radius 25
var circle2 = Circle(radius: 50)
radius 50
```

Circle

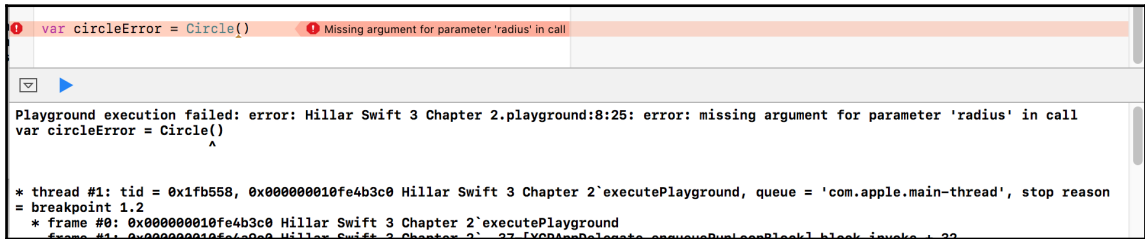
Circle

radius 25

Quick Look

The following line won't allow the Playground to compile the code and will display a build error because the compiler cannot find a parameterless initializer declared in the `Circle` class. The specific error message is the following: `Missing argument for parameter 'radius' in call`. The subsequent screenshot shows the error icon on the left-hand side of the line that tries to create a `Circle` instance and the detailed Playground execution error displayed within the Debug area at the bottom of the window. We will see a similar error message in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_04` folder:

```
var circleError = Circle()
```



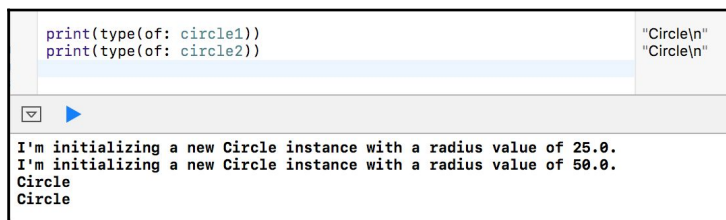
Remove the previous line that generated an error and enter the following two lines. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_05` folder:

```
print(type(of: circle1))
print(type(of: circle2))
```



In the previous Swift versions, such as Swift 2.3, we could use `dynamicType` to retrieve the runtime type as a value. Swift 3 doesn't provide support for `dynamicType` anymore.

The Playground will display **“Circle\n”** as a result for both the lines because both the variables hold instances of the `Circle` class, as shown in the following screenshot. The `type` function allows us to retrieve the runtime type as a value for the instance passed for the `of` argument. We will see the same output in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox:



## Customizing deinitialization

We want to know when the instances of the `Circle` class will be removed from memory; that is, when the objects aren't referenced by any variable and automatic reference count mechanism decides that they have to be removed from memory. Deinitializers are special parameterless class methods that are automatically executed just before the runtime destroys an instance of a given type. Thus, we can use them to add any code we want to run before the instance is destroyed. We cannot call a deinitializer; they are only available for the runtime.

The deinitializer is a special method that uses the `deinit` keyword in its declaration. The declaration must be parameterless, and it cannot return a value.

The following lines declare a deinitializer within the body of the `Circle` class:

```
deinit {
    print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a
          radius value of \(radius).")
}
```

The following lines show the new complete code for the `Circle` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_06` folder:

```
class Circle {
    var radius: Double
    init(radius: Double)
    {
        print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with
              a radius value of \(radius).")
        self.radius = radius
    }
    deinit {
        print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a
              radius value of \(radius).")
    }
}
```



The code within the deinitializer prints a message on the console indicating that the runtime will destroy a `Circle` instance with a specific radius value. This way, we will understand when the code within the deinitializer is executed.

The following lines create two instances of the `Circle` class named `circleToDelete1` and `circleToDelete2`. Then, the next lines assign new instances to both variables; therefore, the reference count for both objects reaches zero, and the automatic reference counting mechanism destroys them. Before the destruction takes place, Swift executes the deinitialization code. Enter the following lines in the Playground after adding the code for the deinitializer of the `Circle` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_07` folder:

```
var circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 25)
var circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 50)
circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 32)
circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 47)
```

Use the previously explained **Show Result** and **Value History** options for the call to the `print` function in both the initializer and the deinitializer. We will see the following messages in the Playground, as shown in the screenshot that follows them:

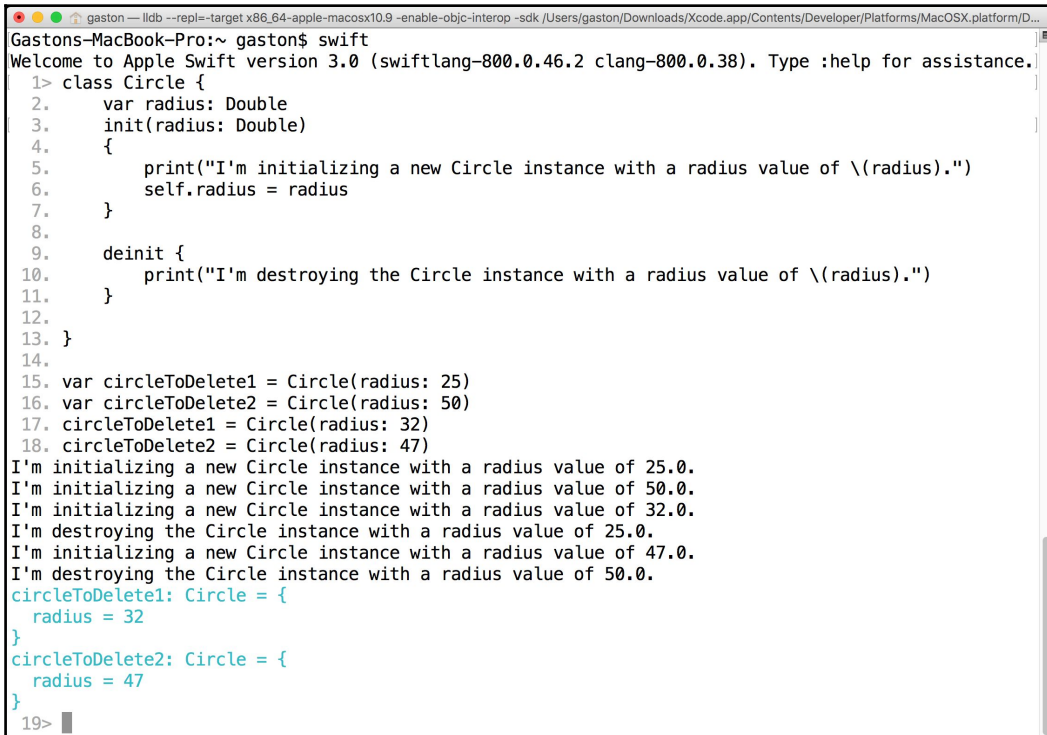
```
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius
value of 25.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius
value of 50.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius
value of 32.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value
of 25.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius
value of 47.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value
of 50.0.
```

<pre>class Circle {     var radius: Double     init(radius: Double)     {         print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a             radius value of \(radius).")     }      self.radius = radius }  deinit {     print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius         value of \(radius).") }  var circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 25) var circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 50) circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 32) circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 47)</pre>	(4 times)
<pre>I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of     25.0.  I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of     50.0.  I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of     32.0.  I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of     47.0.</pre>	
<pre>self.radius = radius }  deinit {     print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius         value of \(radius).") }  I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of     25.0.  I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of     50.0.</pre>	(2 times)
<pre>var circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 25) var circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 50) circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 32) circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 47)</pre>	Circle Circle Circle Circle
<pre>I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0. I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0. I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 32.0. I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0. I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 47.0. I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.</pre>	

The first two lines appear because we created instances of `Circle`, and Swift executed the initialization code. Then, we assigned the result of creating a new instance of the `Circle` class to the `circleToDelete1` variable, and therefore, we removed the only existing reference to the instance with a radius value of `25.0`. Swift printed a line that indicates that it initialized a new instance with a radius value of `32.0`. After this line, Swift printed the line generated by the execution of the deinitializer of the `Circle` instance that had a radius value of `25.0`.

Then, we assigned the result of creating a new instance of the `Circle` class to the `circleToDelete2` variable, and therefore, we removed the only existing reference to the instance with a radius value of `50.0`. Swift printed a line that indicates that it initialized a new instance with a radius value of `47.0`. After this line, Swift printed the line generated by the execution of the deinitializer of the `Circle` instance that had a radius value of `50.0`.

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the Swift REPL:



```
Gastons-MacBook-Pro:~ gaston$ swift
Welcome to Apple Swift version 3.0 (swiftlang-800.0.46.2 clang-800.0.38). Type :help for assistance.
1> class Circle {
2.   var radius: Double
3.   init(radius: Double)
4.   {
5.       print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
6.       self.radius = radius
7.   }
8.
9.   deinit {
10.      print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
11.   }
12.
13. }
14.
15. var circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 25)
16. var circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 50)
17. circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 32)
18. circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 47)
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 32.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 47.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.
circleToDelete1: Circle = {
  radius = 32
}
circleToDelete2: Circle = {
  radius = 47
}
19>
```

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox:



The screenshot shows the IBM Swift Sandbox interface. The left pane contains Swift code for a `Circle` class with an `init` method and a `deinit` method. The right pane shows the output of the code, which includes the initialization messages for several `Circle` instances and the destruction message for one instance.

```
1 class Circle {
2     var radius: Double
3     init(radius: Double)
4     {
5         print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance
6             with a radius value of \(radius).")
7         self.radius = radius
8     }
9     deinit {
10        print("I'm destroying the Circle instance
11            with a radius value of \(radius).")
12    }
13 }
14
15 var circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 25)
16 var circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 50)
17 circleToDelete1 = Circle(radius: 32)
18 circleToDelete2 = Circle(radius: 47)
19
20
```

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I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.  
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.  
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 32.0.  
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 25.0.  
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 47.0.  
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 50.0.

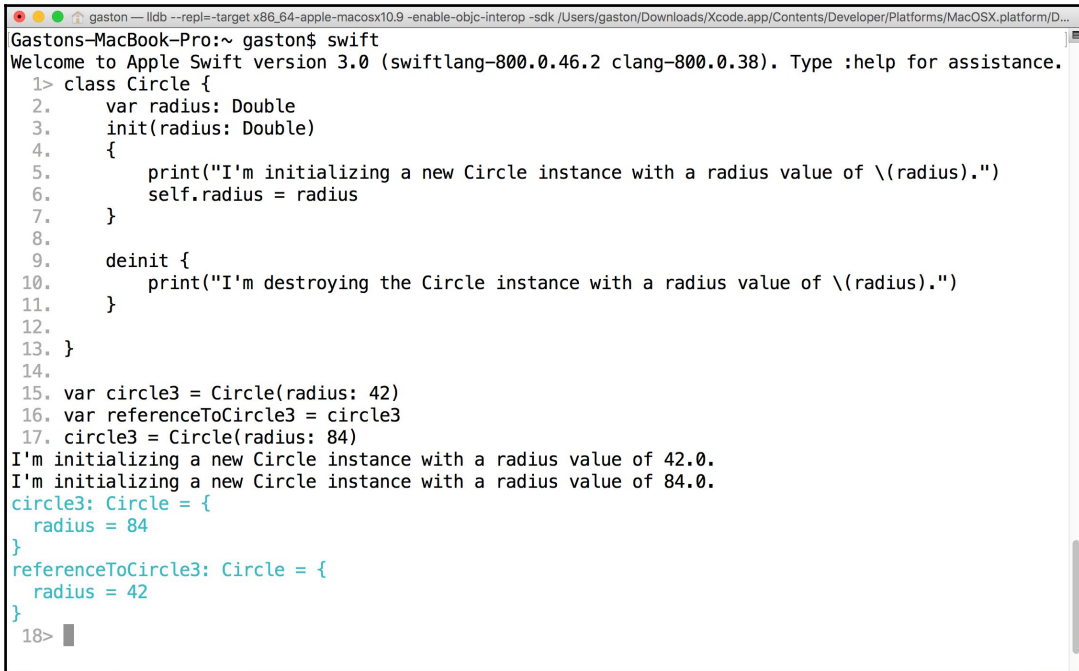
The following lines create an instance of the `Circle` class named `circle3` and then assign a reference of this object to `referenceToCircle3`. Thus, the reference count to the object increases to two. The next line assigns a new instance of the `Circle` class to `circle3`; therefore, the reference count for the object goes down from two to one. As the `referenceToCircle3` variable stills holds a reference to the `Circle` instance, Swift doesn't destroy the instance, and we don't see the results of the execution of the deinitializer. Enter the following lines in the Playground after the declaration of the `Circle` class. Note that the screenshot only displays the results of the execution of the initializer in the Playground, and there is no execution for the deinitializer.

The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_08` folder:

```
var circle3 = Circle(radius: 42)
var referenceToCircle3 = circle3
circle3 = Circle(radius: 84)
```

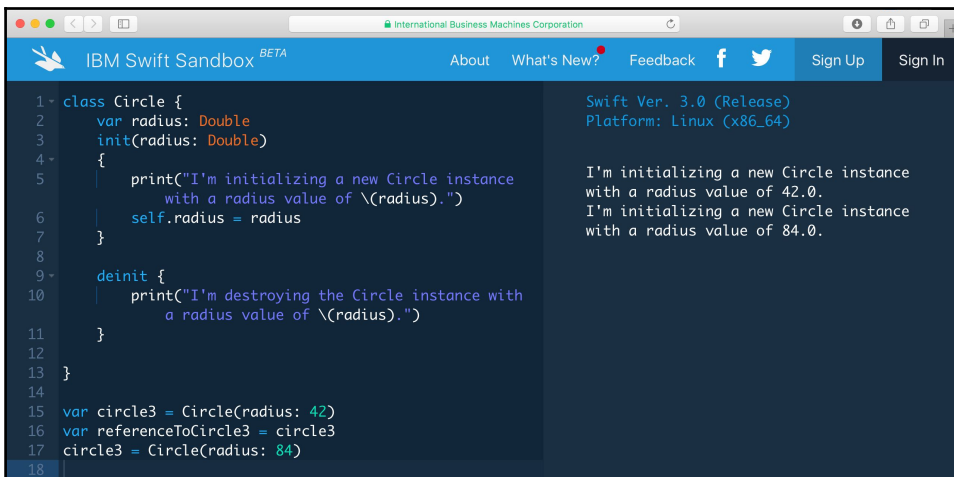
<pre>class Circle {     var radius: Double     init(radius: Double)     {         print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a             radius value of \(radius).")          self.radius = radius     }      deinit {         print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius             value of \(radius).")     } }  var circle3 = Circle(radius: 42) var referenceToCircle3 = circle3 circle3 = Circle(radius: 84)</pre>	(2 times)
<pre>I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 42.0. I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 84.0.</pre>	
<pre>Circle Circle Circle</pre>	
<p>⏏ ▶</p> <pre>I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 42.0. I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 84.0.</pre>	

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the Swift REPL:



```
gaston ~ lldb --repl=target-x86_64-apple-macosx10.9 --enable-objc-interop --sdk /Users/gaston/Downloads/Xcode.app/Contents/Developer/Platforms/MacOSX.platform/D...
Gastons-MacBook-Pro:~ gaston$ swift
Welcome to Apple Swift version 3.0 (swiftlang-800.0.46.2 clang-800.0.38). Type :help for assistance.
1> class Circle {
2.   var radius: Double
3.   init(radius: Double)
4.   {
5.       print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
6.       self.radius = radius
7.   }
8.
9.   deinit {
10.      print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
11.   }
12.
13. }
14.
15. var circle3 = Circle(radius: 42)
16. var referenceToCircle3 = circle3
17. circle3 = Circle(radius: 84)
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 42.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 84.0.
circle3: Circle = {
  radius = 84
}
referenceToCircle3: Circle = {
  radius = 42
}
18>
```

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox:



```
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1- class Circle {
2-   var radius: Double
3-   init(radius: Double)
4-   {
5-       print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance
6-           with a radius value of \(radius).")
7-       self.radius = radius
8-   }
9-   deinit {
10-      print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with
11-          a radius value of \(radius).")
12-   }
13- }
14-
15- var circle3 = Circle(radius: 42)
16- var referenceToCircle3 = circle3
17- circle3 = Circle(radius: 84)
18-
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I'm initializing a new Circle instance
with a radius value of 42.0.
I'm initializing a new Circle instance
with a radius value of 84.0.
```

## Creating the instances of classes

The following lines create an instance of the `Circle` class named `circle` within the scope of a `generatedCircleRadius` function. The code within the function uses the created instance to access and return the value of its `radius` property. In this case, the code uses the `let` keyword to declare an immutable reference to the `Circle` instance named `circle`. An immutable reference is also known as a constant reference because we cannot replace the reference held by the `circle` constant to another instance of `Circle`. When we use the `var` keyword, we declare a reference that we can change later.

After we define the new function, we will call it. Note that the screenshot displays the results of the execution of the initializer and then the deinitializer. Swift destroys the instance after the `circle` constant goes out of scope because its reference count goes down from one to zero; therefore, there is no reason to keep the instance alive. Enter the following lines in the Playground after the declaration of the `Circle` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_02_09` folder:

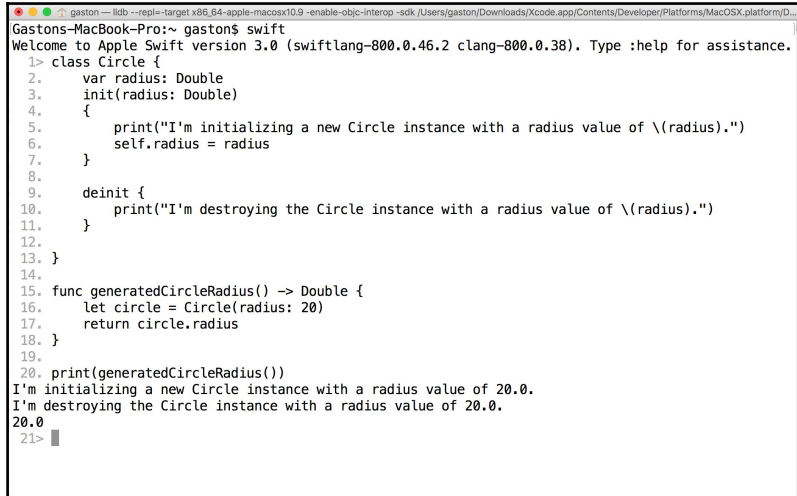
```
func generatedCircleRadius() -> Double {
    let circle = Circle(radius: 20)
    return circle.radius
}
print(generatedCircleRadius())
```

The following lines show the results displayed in the Playground's Debug area after we execute the previously shown code. The following screenshot shows the results displayed on the right-hand side of the lines of code in the Playground:

```
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius
value of 20.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value
of 20.0.
20.0
```

Note that it is extremely easy to code a function that creates an instance and uses it to call a method because we don't have to worry about removing the instance from memory. The automatic reference counting mechanism does the necessary cleanup work for us.

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the Swift REPL:



```
Gastons-MacBook-Pro:~ gaston$ swift
Welcome to Apple Swift version 3.0 (swiftlang-800.0.46.2 clang-800.0.38). Type :help for assistance.
1> class Circle {
2.   var radius: Double
3.   init(radius: Double)
4.   {
5.       print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
6.       self.radius = radius
7.   }
8.
9.   deinit {
10.      print("I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of \(radius).")
11.  }
12.
13. }
14.
15. func generatedCircleRadius() -> Double {
16.     let circle = Circle(radius: 20)
17.     return circle.radius
18. }
19.
20. print(generatedCircleRadius())
I'm initializing a new Circle instance with a radius value of 20.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with a radius value of 20.0.
20.0
21>
```

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox:



```
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1 class Circle {
2   var radius: Double
3   init(radius: Double)
4   {
5     print("I'm initializing a new Circle instance
6       with a radius value of \(radius).")
7     self.radius = radius
8   }
9
10  deinit {
11    print("I'm destroying the Circle instance
12      with a radius value of \(radius).")
13  }
14
15  func generatedCircleRadius() -> Double {
16    let circle = Circle(radius: 20)
17    return circle.radius
18  }
19
20  print(generatedCircleRadius())

I'm initializing a new Circle instance
with a radius value of 20.0.
I'm destroying the Circle instance with
a radius value of 20.0.
20.0
```



## Exercises

Now that you understand an instance's life cycle, it is time to spend some time in the Playground, the Swift REPL, or the Swift Sandbox, creating new classes and instances:

- **Exercise 1:** Create a new `Employee` class with a custom initializer that requires two string arguments: `firstName` and `lastName`. Use the arguments to initialize properties with the same names as the arguments. Display a message with the values for `firstName` and `lastName` when an instance of the class is created. Display a message with the values for `firstName` and `lastName` when an instance of the class is destroyed.
  - Create an instance of the `Employee` class and assign it to a variable. Check the messages printed in the Playground's Debug area. Assign a new instance of the `Employee` class to the previously defined variable. Check the messages printed in the Playground's Debug area.
- **Exercise 2:** Create a function that receives two string arguments: `firstName` and `lastName`. Create an instance of the previously defined `Employee` class with the received arguments as parameters for the creation of the instance. Use the instance properties to print a message with the first name followed by a space and the last name. You will be able to create a method and add it to the `Employee` class later to perform the same task. However, first, you must understand how you can work with the properties defined in a class.

## Test your knowledge

1. Swift uses one of the following mechanisms to automatically deallocate the memory used by instances that aren't referenced anymore:
  1. Automatic Random Garbage Collector.
  2. Automatic Reference Counting.
  3. Automatic Instance Map Reduce.
2. Swift executes an instance's deinitializer:
  1. Before the instance is deallocated from memory.
  2. After the instance is deallocated from memory.
  3. After the instance memory is allocated.

3. A deinitializer:
  1. Can still access all of the instance's resources.
  2. Can only access the instance's methods but no properties.
  3. Cannot access any of the instance's resources.
4. Swift allows us to define:
  1. Only one initializer per class.
  2. A main initializer and two optional secondary initializers.
  3. Many initializers with different arguments.
5. Each time we create an instance:
  1. We must use argument labels.
  2. We can optionally use argument labels.
  3. We don't need to use argument labels.
6. Which of the following lines retrieves the runtime type as a value for an instance called `circle1` in Swift 3:
  1. `circle1.dynamicType`
  2. `typeof(circle1)`
  3. `type(of: circle1)`

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned about an object's life cycle. You also learned how object initializers and deinitializers work. We declared our first class to generate a blueprint for objects. We customized object initializers and deinitializers and tested their personalized behavior in action with live examples in Swift's Playground. We understood how they work in combination with automatic reference counting. You also learned how we can run the samples in the Swift REPL and the web-based Swift Sandbox.

Now that you have learned to start creating classes and instances, you are ready to share, protect, use, and hide data with the data encapsulation features included in Swift, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 3

## Encapsulation of Data with Properties

In this chapter, you will learn about all the elements that might compose a class. We will start organizing data in blueprints that generate instances. We will work with examples to understand how to encapsulate and hide data by working with properties combined with access control. In addition, you will learn about properties, methods, and mutable versus immutable classes.

### Understanding elements that compose a class

So far, we have worked with a very simple class and many instances of this class in the Playground, the Swift REPL and the web-based Swift Sandbox. Now, it is time to dive deep into the different members of a class.

The following list enumerates the most common element types that you can include in a class definition in Swift and their equivalents in other programming languages. We have already worked with a few of these elements:

- **Initializers:** These are equivalent to constructors in other programming languages
- **Deinitializers:** These are equivalent to destructors in other programming languages
- **Type properties:** These are equivalent to class fields or class attributes in other programming languages

- **Type methods:** These are equivalent to class methods in other programming languages
- **Subscripts:** These are also known as shortcuts
- **Instance properties:** These are equivalent to instance fields or instance attributes in other programming languages
- **Instance methods:** These are equivalent to instance functions in other programming languages
- **Nested types:** These are types that only exist within the class in which we define them

You have already learned how basic initializers and deinitializers work in the previous chapter. So far, we have used an instance-stored property to encapsulate data in our instances. We could access the instance property without any kind of restrictions as a variable within an instance.

However, as it happens sometimes in real-world situations, restrictions are necessary to avoid serious problems. Sometimes, we want to restrict access or transform specific instance properties into read-only attributes. We can combine the restrictions with computed properties that can define getters and/or setters.



Computed properties can define `get` and/or `set` methods, also known as **getters** and **setters**. Setters allow us to control how values are set, that is, these methods are used to change the values of related properties. Getters allow us to control the values that we return when computed properties are accessed. Getters don't change the values of related properties.

Sometimes, all the members of a class share the same attribute, and we don't need to have a specific value for each instance. For example, superhero types have some profile values, such as the average strength, average running speed, attack power, and defense power. We can define the following type properties to store the values that are shared by all the instances: `averageStrength`, `averageRunningSpeed`, `attackPower`, and `defensePower`. All the instances have access to the same type properties and their values. However, it is also possible to apply restrictions to their access.

It is also possible to define methods that don't require an instance of a specific class to be called; therefore, you can invoke them by specifying both the class and method names. These methods are known as **type** methods, operate on a class as a whole, and have access to type properties, but they don't have access to any instance members, such as instance properties or methods, because there is no instance at all. Type methods are useful when you want to include methods related to a class and don't want to generate an instance to call them. Type methods are also known as *static* or *class* methods.

However, we have to pay attention to the keyword we use to declare type methods in Swift because a type method declared with the `static` keyword has a different behavior from a type method declared with the `class` keyword. We will understand the differences between these as we move forward with the examples in this and forthcoming chapters.

## Declaring stored properties

When we design classes, we want to make sure that all the necessary data is available to the methods that will operate on this data; therefore, we encapsulate the data. However, we just want relevant information to be visible to the users of our classes that will create instances, change values of accessible properties, and call the available methods. Thus, we want to hide or protect some data that is just needed for internal use. We don't want to make accidental changes to sensitive data.

For example, when we create a new instance of any superhero, we can use both its name and birth year as two parameters for the initializer. The initializer sets the values of two properties: `name` and `birthYear`. The following lines show a sample code that declares the `SuperHero` class.

The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_01` folder:

```
class SuperHero {
    var name: String
    var birthYear: Int
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
    }
}
```

The next lines create two instances that initialize the values of the two properties and then use the `print` function to display their values in the Playground. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_01` folder:

```
var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear:
1975)
print(antMan.name)
print(antMan.birthYear)
var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear:
1982)
print(ironMan.name)
print(ironMan.birthYear)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of the declaration of the class and the execution of the lines in the Playground:

```
class SuperHero {
    var name: String
    var birthYear: Int

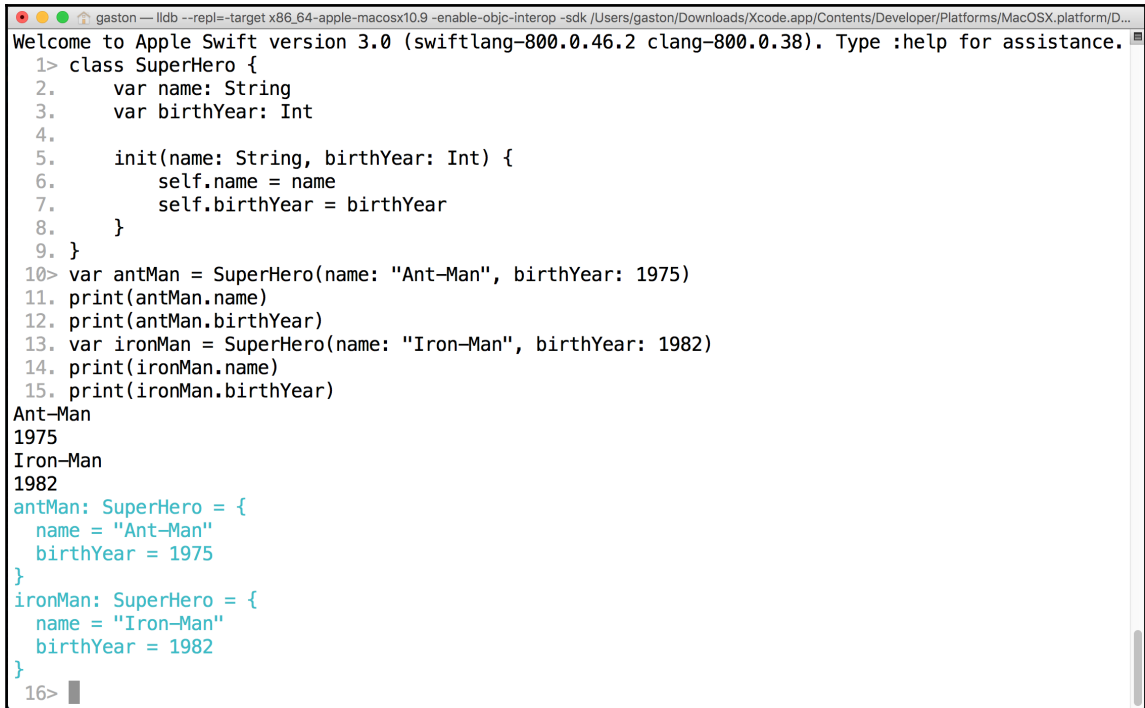
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
    }
}

var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear: 1975)
print(antMan.name)
print(antMan.birthYear)
var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear: 1982)
print(ironMan.name)
print(ironMan.birthYear)
```

SuperHero  
"Ant-Man\n"  
"1975\n"  
SuperHero  
"Iron-Man\n"  
"1982\n"

Ant-Man  
1975  
Iron-Man  
1982

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the Swift REPL. The REPL displays details about the two instances we just created: `antMan` and `ironMan`. The details include the values of the `name` and `birthYear` properties:



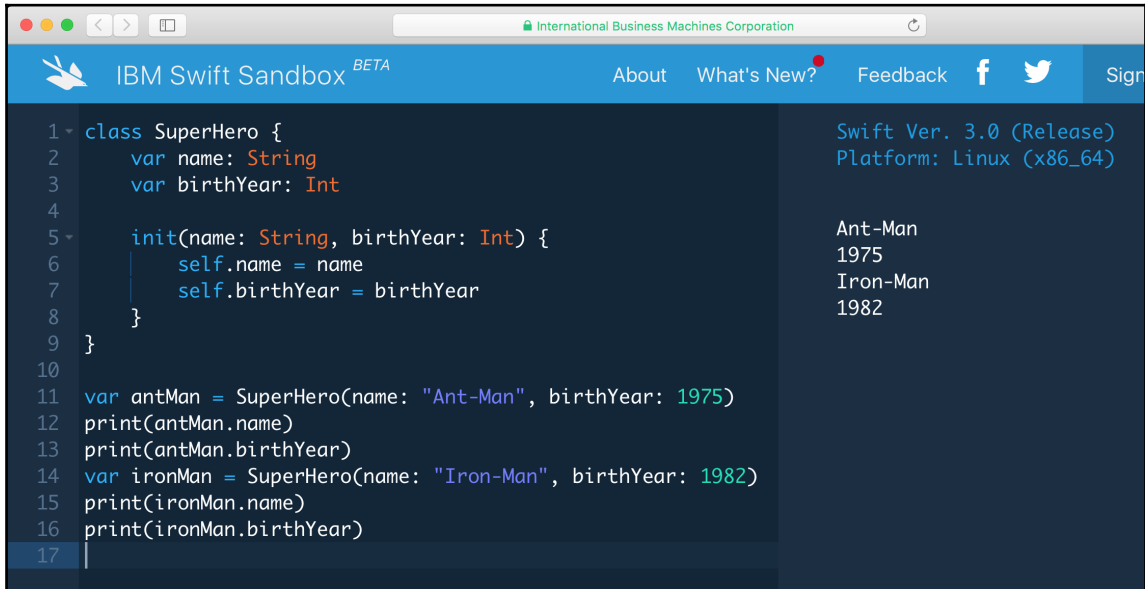
```
gaston — lldb --repl--target x86_64-apple-macosx10.9 --enable-objc-interop --sdk /Users/gaston/Downloads/Xcode.app/Contents/Developer/Platforms/MacOSX.platform/D...
Welcome to Apple Swift version 3.0 (swiftlang-800.0.46.2 clang-800.0.38). Type :help for assistance.
1> class SuperHero {
2.   var name: String
3.   var birthYear: Int
4.
5.   init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
6.     self.name = name
7.     self.birthYear = birthYear
8.   }
9. }
10> var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear: 1975)
11. print(antMan.name)
12. print(antMan.birthYear)
13. var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear: 1982)
14. print(ironMan.name)
15. print(ironMan.birthYear)
Ant-Man
1975
Iron-Man
1982
antMan: SuperHero = {
  name = "Ant-Man"
  birthYear = 1975
}
ironMan: SuperHero = {
  name = "Iron-Man"
  birthYear = 1982
}
16> █
```

The following lines show the output that the Swift REPL displays after we create the two `SuperHero` instances:

```
antMan: SuperHero = {
  name = "Ant-Man"
  birthYear = 1975
}
ironMan: SuperHero = {
  name = "Iron-Man"
  birthYear = 1982
}
```

We can read the two lines as follows: the `antMan` variable holds an instance of `SuperHero` with its `name` set to "Ant-Man" and its `birthYear` set to 1975. The `ironMan` variable holds an instance of `SuperHero` with its `name` set to "Iron-Man" and its `birthYear` set to 1982.

The following screenshot shows the results of running the code in the web-based IBM Swift Sandbox:



The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "IBM Swift Sandbox BETA" with the URL "International Business Machines Corporation". The browser's address bar shows "International Business Machines Corporation". The page has a blue header with the IBM logo, "IBM Swift Sandbox BETA", and navigation links: "About", "What's New?", "Feedback", and "Sign". The main content area is a dark-themed code editor with a light blue line number column on the left. The code is as follows:

```
1 - class SuperHero {
2     var name: String
3     var birthYear: Int
4
5 -     init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
6         self.name = name
7         self.birthYear = birthYear
8     }
9 }
10
11 var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear: 1975)
12 print(antMan.name)
13 print(antMan.birthYear)
14 var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear: 1982)
15 print(ironMan.name)
16 print(ironMan.birthYear)
17
```

On the right side of the code editor, the Swift version and platform are displayed: "Swift Ver. 3.0 (Release)" and "Platform: Linux (x86\_64)". Below that, the output of the code is shown: "Ant-Man", "1975", "Iron-Man", and "1982".

We don't want a user of our `SuperHero` class to be able to change a superhero's name after an instance is initialized because the name is not supposed to change. There is a simple way to achieve this goal in our previously declared class. We can use the `let` keyword to define an immutable name stored property of type `String` instead of using the `var` keyword. We can also replace the `var` keyword with `let` when we define the `birthYear` stored property because the birth year will never change after we initialize a superhero instance.

The following lines show the new code that declares the `SuperHero` class with two stored immutable properties: `name` and `birthYear`. Note that the initializer code hasn't changed, and it is possible to initialize both the immutable stored properties with the same code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_02` folder:

```
class SuperHero {
    let name: String
    let birthYear: Int
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
    }
}
```





Stored immutable properties are also known as stored nonmutating properties.

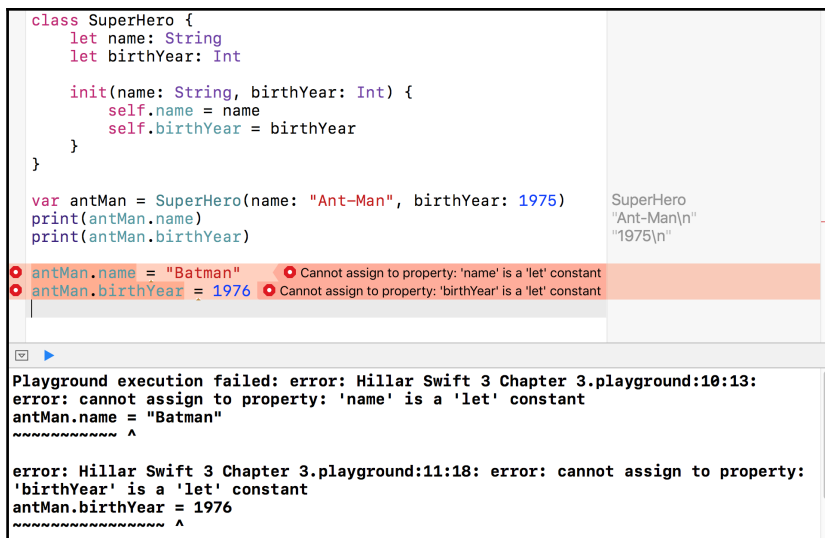
The next lines create an instance that initializes the values of the two immutable stored properties and then use the `print` function to display their values in the Playground. Then, the two highlighted lines of code try to assign a new value to both properties and fail to do so because they are immutable properties. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_03` folder:

```
var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear:
1975)
print(antMan.name)
print(antMan.birthYear)

antMan.name = "Batman"
antMan.birthYear = 1976
```

The Playground displays the following two error messages for the last two lines, as shown in the next screenshot. We will see similar error messages in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox:

- Cannot assign to property: 'name' is a 'let' constant
- Cannot assign to property: 'birthYear' is a 'let' constant





When we use the `let` keyword to declare a stored property, we can initialize the property, but it becomes immutable—that is, a constant—after its initialization.

## Generating computed properties with setters and getters

As previously explained, we don't want a user of our superhero class to be able to change a superhero's birth year after an instance is initialized because the superhero won't be born again at a different date. In fact, we want to calculate the superhero's age and make it available to users. We use an approximated age in order to keep the focus on the properties and don't complicate our lives with the manipulation of complete dates and the `Date` class.

We can define a property called `age` with a getter method but without a setter method; that is, we will create a read-only computed property. This way, it is possible to retrieve the superhero's age, but we cannot change it because there isn't a setter defined for the property. The getter method returns the result of calculating the superhero's age based on the current year and the value of the `birthYear` stored property.

The following lines show the new version of the `SuperHero` class with the new `age` calculated read-only property. It is necessary to import `Foundation` to use the `Date` and `Calendar` classes. Note that the code for the getter method appears after the property declaration with its type and the `get` keyword. All the lines enclosed in curly brackets after the `get` keyword define the code that will be executed when we request the value for the `age` property. The method creates a new instance of the `Date` class, `date`, and retrieves the current calendar, `Calendar.current`. Then, the method retrieves the year component for `date` and returns the difference between the current year and the value of the `birthYear` property. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_04` folder:

```
import Foundation

class SuperHero {
    let name: String
    let birthYear: Int
    var age: Int {
        get {
            let date = Date()
            let calendar = Calendar.current
            let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
```

```
        return year - birthYear
    }
}
init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.birthYear = birthYear
}
}
```

We must use the `var` keyword to declare computed properties, such as the previously defined `age` computed property.



Swift 3 removed the `NS` prefix from many classes and made the APIs simpler. Instead of working with `NSDate`, we work with the `Date` class. Instead of working with `NSCalendar`, we work with the `Calendar` class. In addition, the methods and the properties have shorter names that do not repeat unnecessary words.

The next lines create an instance that initializes the values of the two immutable stored properties and then use the `print` function to display the value of the `age` calculated property in the Playground. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. Then, a line of code tries to assign a new value to the `age` property and fails to do so because the property doesn't declare a setter method. We will see a similar error message in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_05` folder:

```
var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear:
1975)
print(antMan.age)
var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear:
1982)
print(ironMan.age)

antMan.age = 32
```

The Playground displays the following error message for the last line, as shown in the next screenshot:

Cannot assign to property: 'age' is a get-only property

```
class SuperHero {
  let name: String
  let birthYear: Int

  var age: Int {
    get {
      let date = Date()
      let calendar = Calendar.current
      let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)

      return year - birthYear
    }
  }

  init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.birthYear = birthYear
  }
}

var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear: 1975)
print(antMan.age)
var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear: 1982)
print(ironMan.age)

antMan.age = 32
```

SuperHero  
"41\n"  
SuperHero  
"34\n"

Cannot assign to property: 'age' is a get-only property

Playground execution failed: error: Hillar Swift 3 Chapter 3.playground:22:12: error: cannot assign to property: 'age' is a get-only property  
antMan.age = 32  
~~~~~ ^



A computed property with a getter method and without a setter method is known as a get-only property.

Later, we will decide that it would be nice to allow the user to customize a superhero and allow it to change either its age or birth year. We can add a setter method to the `age` property with code that calculates the birth year based on the specified age and assigns this value to the `birthYear` property. Of course, the first thing we need to do is replace the `let` keyword with `var` when we define the `birthYear` stored property as we want it to become a mutable property.

The following lines show the new version of the `SuperHero` class with the new `age` calculated property. Note that the code for the setter method appears after the code for the getter method within the curly brackets that enclose the getter and setter declarations. We can place the setter method before the getter method. All the lines enclosed in curly brackets after the `set` keyword define the code that will be executed when we assign a new value to the `age` property, and the implicit name for the new value is `newValue`. So, the code enclosed in curly brackets after the `set` keyword receives the value that will be assigned to the property in the `newValue` argument. As we didn't specify a different name for the implicit argument, we can access the value using the `newValue` argument. Note that we don't see the argument name in the code; this is the default convention in Swift. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_05` folder:

```
import Foundation

class SuperHero {
    let name: String
    var birthYear: Int
    var age: Int {
        get {
            let date = Date()
            let calendar = Calendar.current
            let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
            return year - birthYear
        }
        set {
            let date = Date()
            let calendar = Calendar.current
            let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
            birthYear = year - newValue
        }
    }
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
    }
}
```

The setter method creates a new instance of the `Date` class, `date`, and retrieves the current calendar, `calendar`. Then, the method retrieves the year component for `date` and assigns the result of the current year, `year`, minus the new age value that is specified, `newValue`, to the `birthYear` property. This way, the `birthYear` property will save the year in which the super hero was born based on the received age value.


The next lines create two instances of the `SuperHero` class, assign a value to the age computed property, and then use the `print` function to display the value of both the age calculated property and the `birthYear` stored property in the Playground. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_05` folder:

```
var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear:
1975)
print(antMan.age)
var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear:
1982)
print(ironMan.age)

antMan.age = 32
print(antMan.age)
print(antMan.birthYear)

ironMan.age = 45
print(ironMan.age)
print(ironMan.birthYear)
```

As a result of assigning a new value to the `age` computed property, its setter method changes the value of the `birthYear` stored property, as shown in the following screenshot:

|                                                                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <code>import Foundation</code>                                                      |           |
| <code>class SuperHero {</code>                                                      |           |
| <code>let name: String</code>                                                       |           |
| <code>var birthYear: Int</code>                                                     |           |
| <code>var age: Int {</code>                                                         |           |
| <code>get {</code>                                                                  |           |
| <code>let date = Date()</code>                                                      | (4 times) |
| <code>let calendar = Calendar.current</code>                                        | (4 times) |
| <code>let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)</code>                       | (4 times) |
| <code>return year - birthYear</code>                                                | (4 times) |
| <code>}</code>                                                                      |           |
| <code>set {</code>                                                                  |           |
| <code>let date = Date()</code>                                                      | (2 times) |
| <code>let calendar = Calendar.current</code>                                        | (2 times) |
| <code>let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)</code>                       | (2 times) |
| <code>birthYear = year - newValue</code>                                            | (2 times) |
| <code>}</code>                                                                      |           |
| <code>}</code>                                                                      |           |
| <code>init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {</code>                                   |           |
| <code>self.name = name</code>                                                       |           |
| <code>self.birthYear = birthYear</code>                                             |           |
| <code>}</code>                                                                      |           |
| <code>}</code>                                                                      |           |
| <code>var antMan = SuperHero(name: "Ant-Man", birthYear: 1975)</code>               | SuperHero |
| <code>print(antMan.age)</code>                                                      | "41\n"    |
| <code>var ironMan = SuperHero(name: "Iron-Man", birthYear: 1982)</code>             | SuperHero |
| <code>print(ironMan.age)</code>                                                     | "34\n"    |
| <code>antMan.age = 32</code>                                                        | SuperHero |
| <code>print(antMan.age)</code>                                                      | "32\n"    |
| <code>print(antMan.birthYear)</code>                                                | "1984\n"  |
| <code>ironMan.age = 45</code>                                                       | SuperHero |
| <code>print(ironMan.age)</code>                                                     | "45\n"    |
| <code>print(ironMan.birthYear)</code>                                               | "1971\n"  |
|  |           |
| <b>34</b>                                                                           |           |
| <b>32</b>                                                                           |           |
| <b>1984</b>                                                                         |           |
| <b>45</b>                                                                           |           |
| <b>1971</b>                                                                         |           |

Both the getter and setter methods use the same code to retrieve the current year. We can add a get-only property that retrieves the current year and call it from both the getter and setter methods for the `age` computed property. We will declare the function as a get-only property for the `SuperHero` class. We know that this class isn't the best place for this get-only property as it would be better to have it added to a date-related class, such as the `Date` class. We will be able to do so later after you learn additional things.

The following lines show the new version of the `SuperHero` class with the new `currentYear` calculated property. Note that the code for both the setter and getter methods for the `age` property is simpler because they use the new `currentYear` calculated property instead of repeating the code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_06` folder:

```
import Foundation

class SuperHero {
    let name: String
    var birthYear: Int
    var age: Int {
        get {
            return currentYear - birthYear
        }
        set {
            birthYear = currentYear - newValue
        }
    }
    var currentYear: Int {
        get {
            let date = Date()
            let calendar = Calendar.current
            let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
            return year
        }
    }
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
    }
}
```





Declarations that use the `let` keyword cannot be computed properties; therefore, we must always use the `var` keyword when we declare computed properties, even when they are get-only properties.

The next lines create two instances of the `SuperHero` class, assign a value to the `age` computed property, and then use the `print` function to display the value of both the `age` calculated property and the `birthYear` stored property in the Playground. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_06` folder:

```
var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear:
2008)
print(superBoy.age)
var superGirl = SuperHero(name: "Super-Girl",
birthYear: 2009)
print(superGirl.age)

superBoy.age = 9
print(superBoy.age)
print(superBoy.birthYear)

superGirl.age = 8
print(superGirl.age)
print(superGirl.birthYear)
print(superBoy.currentYear)
print(superGirl.currentYear)
```

Note the number of times each property's getter and setter methods are executed in the Playground. In this case, the `currentYear` getter method is executed eight times, as shown in the following screenshot:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre> import Foundation  class SuperHero {     let name: String     var birthYear: Int      var age: Int {         get {             return currentYear - birthYear         }         set {             birthYear = currentYear - newValue         }     }      var currentYear: Int {         get {             let date = Date()             let calendar = Calendar.current             let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)              return year         }     }      init(name: String, birthYear: Int) {         self.name = name         self.birthYear = birthYear     } }  var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear: 2008) print(superBoy.age) var superGirl = SuperHero(name: "Super-Girl", birthYear: 2009) print(superGirl.age)  superBoy.age = 9 print(superBoy.age) print(superBoy.birthYear)  superGirl.age = 8 print(superGirl.age) print(superGirl.birthYear) print(superBoy.currentYear) print(superGirl.currentYear) </pre> | <p>(4 times)</p> <p>(2 times)</p> <p>(8 times)</p> <p>(8 times)</p> <p>(8 times)</p> <p>(8 times)</p> <p>SuperHero<br/>"8\n"</p> <p>SuperHero<br/>"7\n"</p> <p>SuperHero<br/>"9\n"</p> <p>"2007\n"</p> <p>SuperHero<br/>"8\n"</p> <p>"2008\n"</p> <p>"2016\n"</p> <p>"2016\n"</p> |
| <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="margin-right: 10px;">▼</span> <span>▶</span> </div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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The recently added `currentYear` computed property is get-only; therefore, we won't add a `set` clause to it. We can simplify the code that declares this property by omitting the `get` clause, as shown in the following lines.

The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_07` folder:

```
var currentYear: Int {
    let date = Date()
    let calendar = Calendar.current
    let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
    return year
}
```



We only have to specify the `get` clause when we provide a `set` clause for the property.

## Combining setters, getters, and a related property

Sometimes, we want to have more control over the values that are set to properties and retrieved from them, and we can take advantage of getters and setters to do so. In fact, we can combine a getter and a setter, which generate a computed property and a related property that stores the computed value, and access protection mechanisms to prevent the user from making changes to the related property and force him to always use the computed property.

The superhero's sneakers might change over time. However, we always have to make sure that the sneakers' name is an uppercase string. We can define a `sneakers` property with a getter method that always converts the string value to an uppercase string and stores it in a `private sneakersField` property.

Whenever we assign a value to the `sneakers` property, the setter method is called under the hood with the value to be assigned as an argument. Whenever we specify the `sneakers` property in any expression, the getter method is called under the hood to retrieve the actual value. The following lines show a new version of the `SuperHero` class that adds a `sneakers` calculated property.

The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_08` folder:

```
import Foundation

public class SuperHero {
    public let name: String
    public var birthYear: Int
    private var sneakersField = "NOT SPECIFIED"
    public var sneakers: String {
        get {
            return sneakersField
        }
        set {
            sneakersField = newValue.localizedUppercase
        }
    }
    public var age: Int {
        get {
            return currentYear - birthYear
        }
        set {
            birthYear = currentYear - newValue
        }
    }
    public var currentYear: Int {
        let date = Date()
        let calendar = Calendar.current
        let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)
        return year
    }
    init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String)
    {
        self.name = name
        self.birthYear = birthYear
        self.sneakers = sneakers
    }
}
```

The new version of the class is declared as `public class`; therefore, we declared `name`, `birthYear`, and `sneakers` as `public` properties. We also declared both the `age` and `currentYear` properties as `public`. This way, when someone creates instances of the `SuperHero` class outside the source file that declares it, he will be able to access the public members, that is, the `public` properties we have declared. However, the code declares the `sneakersField` property as a private property; therefore, only the code included in the `SuperHero` class will be able to access this property. This way, the `sneakersField` property will be hidden for those who create instances of the `SuperHero` class.



Swift 3 made changes to the meaning of both the `private` and `public` access modifiers when compared to previous Swift versions, and introduced new access modifiers: `fileprivate` and `open`.

In Swift 3, a class declared with the `public` access modifier is accessible outside the defining module. However, a class declared as `public` can only be subclassed in the same module where it is defined. If we want to be able to access and subclass a class outside a module, we must use the new `open` access modifier. A class declared with the `open` access modifier in Swift 3 is equivalent to a class declared with the `public` access modifier in the earlier Swift versions.

When we declare a member of a class with the `public` access level, the member will be accessible but not overridable outside the defining module. If we want the member to be both accessible and overridable outside of the defining module, we must use the new `open` access modifier. A member declared with the `open` access modifier in Swift 3 is equivalent to a member declared with the `public` access modifier in the earlier Swift versions.

When we declare a member of a class with the `private` access level, the member will be accessible only within the enclosing declaration, that is, within the class. If we want the member to be accessible only in the defining module, we must use the new `fileprivate` access modifier. A member declared with the `fileprivate` access modifier in Swift 3 is equivalent to a member declared with the `private` access modifier in the previous Swift versions. The `private` access modifier in Swift 3 is more private than in the previous versions and allows us to declare members that we only want to use within the code of the class that declares them.

When we declare the `sneakersField` private property, we will specify its initial value as "NOT SPECIFIED" and not declare its type because the type-inference mechanism determines that it is of type `String`, based on the initial value. The following line of code is equivalent to the second line of code. We used the first line for the declaration to simplify our code and avoid redundancy whenever possible:

```
private var sneakersField = "NOT SPECIFIED"  
private var sneakersField: String = "NOT SPECIFIED"
```





We should take advantage of the type inference mechanism included in Swift as much as possible to reduce unnecessary boilerplate code.

The initializer for the class added a new argument that provides an initial value for the new `sneakers` property. The next lines create two instances of the `SuperHero` class, assign a value to the `sneakers` computed property, and then use the `print` function to display the value of the property in the Playground. In both cases, we will initialize `sneakers` with a string that the setter method converts to an uppercase string. Thus, when we print the values returned by the getter method, the Playground will print the uppercase string that is stored in the `sneakersField` private property. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_08` folder:

```
var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear:  
2008, sneakers: "Running with Swift 3")  
print(superBoy.sneakers)  
var superGirl = SuperHero(name: "Super-Girl",  
birthYear: 2009, sneakers: "Jumping Super Girl")  
print(superGirl.sneakers)
```

Note the number of times each property's getter and setter methods are executed in the Playground. In this case, the `sneakers` getter method is executed two times, as shown in the following screenshot:

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| <pre> public class SuperHero {     public let name: String     public var birthYear: Int      private var sneakersField = "NOT SPECIFIED"      public var sneakers: String {         get {             return sneakersField         }         set {             sneakersField = newValue.localizedUppercase         }     }      public var age: Int {         get {             return currentYear - birthYear         }         set {             birthYear = currentYear - newValue         }     }      public var currentYear: Int {         let date = Date()         let calendar = Calendar.current         let year = calendar.component(.year, from: date)          return year     }      init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String) {         self.name = name         self.birthYear = birthYear         self.sneakers = sneakers     } }  var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear: 2008, sneakers: "Running with Swift 3") print(superBoy.sneakers) var superGirl = SuperHero(name: "Super-Girl", birthYear: 2009, sneakers: "Jumping Super Girl") print(superGirl.sneakers) </pre> | <p>(2 times)</p> <p>(2 times)</p> <p>SuperHero</p> <p>"RUNNING WITH SWIFT 3\n"<br/>SuperHero</p> <p>"JUMPING SUPER GIRL\n"</p> |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                |
| <pre> RUNNING WITH SWIFT 3 JUMPING SUPER GIRL </pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                |



We can combine a property with the getter and setter methods, along with access protection mechanisms and a related property that acts as an underlying field, to have absolute control over how values are set to and retrieved from the underlying field.

## Understanding property observers

Each superhero has a running speed score that determines how fast he will move when running; therefore, we will add a public `runningSpeedScore` property. We will change the initializer code to set an initial value for the new property. However, this new property has some specific requirements.

Whenever the running speed score is about to change, it will be necessary to trigger a few actions. In addition, we have to trigger other actions after the value for this property changes. We might consider adding code to a setter method combined with a related property, run code before we set the new value to the related property, and then run code after we set the new value. However, Swift allows us to take advantage of property observers that make it easier to run the code before and after the running speed score changes.

We can define a public `runningSpeedScore` property with both a `willSet` and `didSet` methods. After we create an instance of the new version of the `SuperHero` class and initialize the new property with its initial value, the code in the `willSet` method will be executed when we assign a new value to the property and before Swift sets the new value to the property. Thus, at the time the `willSet` method executes the code, the property still has the previous value, and we can access the new value that will be set by checking the value of the `newValue` implicit parameter.

Then, when Swift changes the value of the property, the `didSet` method will be executed. Thus, at the time the `didSet` method executes the code, the property has the new value.



The code defined in the `willSet` and/or `didSet` methods only runs when we change the value of the property after its initial value is set. Thus, property observers don't run when the property is initialized.

The following lines show the code that defines the new public `runningSpeedScore` property with the property observers and the new code for the initializer. Note that the code for the rest of the class isn't included in order to avoid repeating the previous code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_09` folder:

```
public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
    willSet {
        print("The current value for running speed score
            is:(runningSpeedScore)")
        print("I will set the new value for running speed
            score to: (newValue)")
    }
}
```



```
    didSet {
        print("I have set the new value for running speed
score to: (runningSpeedScore)")
    }
}
init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String,
runningSpeedScore: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.birthYear = birthYear
    self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore
    self.sneakers = sneakers
}
```

The `willSet` method prints the current value of `runningSpeedScore` and the new value that will be set to this property and received in the `newValue` implicit parameter. The `didSet` method prints the new value that is set to the `runningSpeedScore` property.



Swift makes it easy to insert the value of an expression into a string by placing the expression within parentheses after a backslash (`\`). We took advantage of this syntax in the previous code to print the values of both `runningSpeedScore` and `newValue` as part of a message string.

The initializer for the class added a new argument that provides an initial value to the new `runningSpeedScore` property. The next lines create an instance of the `SuperHero` class and assign a value to the `runningSpeedScore` property. Note that both the `willSet` and `didSet` methods were executed only once because the code didn't run when we initialized the value of the property. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_09` folder:

```
var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear:
2008, sneakers: "Running with Swift 3",
runningSpeedScore: 5)
print(superBoy.sneakers)
superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 7
```

The Playground displays a message indicating the current value of the property before the new value that is set, that will be set, and finally, that was set, as shown in the next screenshot:

```
public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
    didSet {
        print("The current value for running speed score is:\n"
              (runningSpeedScore))
        print("I will set the new value for running speed score
              to: \(newValue)")
    }
    didSet {
        print("I have set the new value for running speed score
              to: \(runningSpeedScore)")
    }
}

init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String,
      runningSpeedScore: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.birthYear = birthYear
    self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore
    self.sneakers = sneakers
}

var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear: 2008,
                          sneakers: "Running with Swift 3", runningSpeedScore: 5)
print(superBoy.sneakers)
superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 7
```

"The current value for running speed score is:5\n"  
"I will set the new value for running speed score to: 7\n"  
"I have set the new value for running speed score to: 7\n"  
SuperHero  
"RUNNING WITH SWIFT 3\n"  
SuperHero

**RUNNING WITH SWIFT 3**  
The current value for running speed score is:5  
I will set the new value for running speed score to: 7  
I have set the new value for running speed score to: 7



When we take advantage of property observers, we cannot use getters and/or setters at the same time. Thus, we cannot define getter and/or setter methods when we use the `willSet` and/or `didSet` methods for a property. Swift doesn't make it possible to combine them.

We can use the `didSet` method to keep the value of a property in a valid range. For example, we can define the `runningSpeedScore` property with a `didSet` method, which transforms the values lower than 0 to 0 and values higher than 50 to 50. The following code will do the job. We have to replace the previous code, which declared the `runningSpeedScore` property, with the new code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_10` folder:

```
public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
    didSet {
        if (runningSpeedScore < 0) {
            runningSpeedScore = 0
        }
        else if (runningSpeedScore > 50) {
            runningSpeedScore = 50
        }
    }
}
```

The next lines create an instance of the `SuperHero` class and try to assign different values to the `runningSpeedScore` property. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class:

```
var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear:
2008, sneakers: "Running with Swift 3",
runningSpeedScore: 5)
print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore)
superBoy.runningSpeedScore = -5
print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore)
superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 200
print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore)
superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 6
print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore)
```

After we specified `-5` as the desired value of the `runningSpeedScore` property, we printed its actual value, and the result was 0. After we specified 200, the actual printed value was 50. Finally, after we specified 6, the actual printed value was 6, as shown in the next screenshot. The code in the `didSet` method did its job; we can control all the values accepted for the property. Note that the `didSet` method doesn't execute one more time when we set the new value for the property within the `didSet` method.

The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_10` folder:

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| <pre> public var runningSpeedScore: Int {     didSet {         if (runningSpeedScore &lt; 0) {             runningSpeedScore = 0         } else if (runningSpeedScore &gt; 50) {             runningSpeedScore = 50         }     } }  init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String,       runningSpeedScore: Int) {     self.name = name     self.birthYear = birthYear     self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore     self.sneakers = sneakers }  var superBoy = SuperHero(name: "Super-Boy", birthYear: 2008,                         sneakers: "Running with Swift 3", runningSpeedScore: 5) print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore) superBoy.runningSpeedScore = -5 print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore) superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 200 print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore) superBoy.runningSpeedScore = 6 print(superBoy.runningSpeedScore) </pre> | <pre> SuperHero SuperHero SuperHero 5\n SuperHero 0\n SuperHero 50\n SuperHero 6\n </pre> |
| <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 5px;"> <span style="float: left; margin-right: 10px;">5</span> <span style="float: left; margin-right: 10px;">0</span> <span style="float: left; margin-right: 10px;">50</span> <span style="float: left;">6</span> </div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                           |

We can use the `didSet` method when we want to validate the values accepted for a property after it is initialized. Remember that the `didSet` method isn't executed when the property is initialized. Thus, if we execute the following lines, the printed value will be 135, and the property will be initialized with an invalid value. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_11` folder:

```

var superFlash = SuperHero(name: "Flash",
                           birthYear: 1972, sneakers: "Flash running",
                           runningSpeedScore: 135)
print(superFlash.runningSpeedScore)

```

## Transforming values with setters and getters

We can define a property with a setter method that transforms the values that will be set as valid values for a related property. The getter method would just need to return the value of the related property to generate a property that will always have valid values even when it is initialized. This way, we can make sure that whenever we require the property value, we will retrieve a valid value.

The following code replaces the previously declared `runningSpeedScore` property declaration that worked with a property observer, specifically, a `didSet` method. In this case, the setter transforms the values lower than 0 to 0 and values higher than 50 to 50. The setter stores either the transformed or original value that is in a valid range in the related `runningSpeedScoreField` property. The getter returns the value of the related `runningSpeedScoreField` property, that is, the private property that always stores a valid value. We have to replace the previous code, which declared the `runningSpeedScore` property, with the new code within the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_12` folder:

```
private var runningSpeedScoreField: Int = 0
public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
    get {
        return runningSpeedScoreField
    }
    set {
        if (newValue < 0) {
            runningSpeedScoreField = 0
        } else if (newValue > 50) {
            runningSpeedScoreField = 50
        } else {
            runningSpeedScoreField = newValue
        }
    }
}
```

Now, let's execute the following lines in the Playground. Enter the lines after the code that creates the new version of the `SuperHero` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_11` folder:

```
var superFlash = SuperHero(name: "Flash",
    birthYear: 1972, sneakers: "Flash running",
    runningSpeedScore: 135)
print(superFlash.runningSpeedScore)
```

If we execute the following lines, the printed value will be 50, and the property will be initialized with a valid value because the code defined in the setter method will transform 135 into the maximum accepted value, which is 50, as seen in the following screenshot:

```
private var runningSpeedScoreField: Int = 0
public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
    get {
        return runningSpeedScoreField
    }
    set {
        if (newValue < 0) {
            runningSpeedScoreField = 0
        } else if (newValue > 50) {
            runningSpeedScoreField = 50
        } else {
            runningSpeedScoreField = newValue
        }
    }
}

init(name: String, birthYear: Int, sneakers: String,
    runningSpeedScore: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.birthYear = birthYear
    self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore
    self.sneakers = sneakers
}

var superFlash = SuperHero(name: "Flash", birthYear: 1972,
    sneakers: "Flash running", runningSpeedScore: 135)
print(superFlash.runningSpeedScore)
```

50



When we initialize a property that has a setter method, Swift calls the setter for the initialization value.

## Creating values shared by all the instances of a class with type properties

The `LionSuperHero` class is a blueprint for lions that are superheroes. This class should inherit from the `SuperHero` class, but we will forget about inheritance and other super types of superheroes for a while and use the `LionSuperHero` class to understand the difference between type and instance properties.

We will define the following type properties to store the values that are shared by all the members of the lion superhero group:

- `averageStrength`: This is the average strength of the superhero group.
- `averageRunningSpeed`: This is the average running speed of the superhero group.
- `attackPower`: This is the attack power score of the superhero group.
- `defensePower`: This is the defense power score of the superhero group.
- `warriorScore`: This is the score that combines the previously mentioned values in a single value that determines the warrior score of the superhero group. It is a calculated type property.

The following lines create a `LionSuperHero` class, declare the previously enumerated type properties, and declare two additional instance public properties named `name` and `runningSpeedScore`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_13` folder:

```
public class LionSuperHero {  
  
    public static var averageStrength: Int = 10  
    public static var averageRunningSpeed: Int = 9  
    public static var attackPower: Int = 10  
    public static var defensePower: Int = 6  
    public static var warriorScore: Int {  
        return (averageStrength * 3) + (attackPower * 3) +  
            (averageRunningSpeed * 2) + (defensePower * 2)  
    }  
  
    public let name: String  
  
    private var runningSpeedScoreField: Int = 0  
    public var runningSpeedScore: Int {  
        get {  
            return runningSpeedScoreField  
        }  
        set {  
            if (newValue < 0) {  
                runningSpeedScoreField = 0  
            } else if (newValue > 50) {  
                runningSpeedScoreField = 50  
            } else {  
                runningSpeedScoreField = newValue  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
init(name: String, runningSpeedScore: Int) {
    self.name = name
    self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore
}
}
```

The code initializes each type property in the same line that declares the field. The only difference between a type and instance property is the inclusion of the `static` keyword to indicate that we want to create a type property.

The following line prints the value of the previously declared `averageStrength` type property. Note that we didn't create any instance of the `LionSuperHero` class and that we specified the type property name after the class name and a dot. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_13` folder:

```
print(LionSuperHero.averageStrength)
```



Swift doesn't allow us to access a type property from an instance; therefore, we always have to use a class name to access a type property.

You can assign a new value to any type property declared with the `static` and `var` keywords. For example, the following lines assign 9 to the `averageStrength` type property and print the new value. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_13` folder:

```
LionSuperHero.averageStrength = 9
print(LionSuperHero.averageStrength)
```



The following screenshot shows the results of executing the preceding code in the Playground:

```
public class LionSuperHero {
    public static var averageStrength: Int = 10
    public static var averageRunningSpeed: Int = 9
    public static var attackPower: Int = 10
    public static var defensePower: Int = 6
    public static var warriorScore: Int {
        return (averageStrength * 3) + (attackPower * 3) +
            (averageRunningSpeed * 2) + (defensePower * 2)
    }

    public let name: String

    private var runningSpeedScoreField: Int = 0
    public var runningSpeedScore: Int {
        get {
            return runningSpeedScoreField
        }
        set {
            if (newValue < 0) {
                runningSpeedScoreField = 0
            } else if (newValue > 50) {
                runningSpeedScoreField = 50
            } else {
                runningSpeedScoreField = newValue
            }
        }
    }

    init(name: String, runningSpeedScore: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.runningSpeedScore = runningSpeedScore
    }
}

print(LionSuperHero.averageStrength)
LionSuperHero.averageStrength = 9
print(LionSuperHero.averageStrength)
```

"10\n"

"9\n"

10  
9

We can easily convert a type property into an immutable type property by replacing the `var` keyword with the `let` keyword. For example, we don't want the class users to change the attack power of the superhero group; therefore, we can change the line that declared the `attackPower` type property with the following line, which creates an immutable type property or a read-only class constant. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_14` folder:

```
public static let attackPower: Int = 10
```

The `warriorScore` type property is a calculated type property that only defines a getter method; therefore, it is a read-only calculated type property. Note that the declaration uses a simplified version of a property, which just has a getter method and simply returns the calculated value after the type (`Int`):

```
public static var warriorScore: Int {
    return (averageStrength * 3) + (attackPower * 3) +
        (averageRunningSpeed * 2) + (defensePower * 2)
}
```

The next lines are equivalent to the previous `warriorScore` type property declaration. In this case, the declaration uses the `get` method instead of just returning the calculated value:

```
public static var warriorScore: Int {
    get {
        return (averageStrength * 3) + (attackPower * 3) +
            (averageRunningSpeed * 2) + (defensePower * 2)
    }
}
```

The following line prints the value for this type property. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_14` folder:

```
print(LionSuperHero.warriorScore)
```

The following lines create a new instance of the `LionSuperHero` class and use the value of the `averageRunningSpeed` type property in a sum that specifies the value of the `runningSpeedScore` argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_14` folder:

```
var superTom = LionSuperHero(name: "Tom",
    runningSpeedScore: LionSuperHero.averageRunningSpeed +
    1)
```

## Creating mutable classes

So far, we have worked with different types of properties. When we declare stored instance properties with the `var` keyword, we create a mutable instance property, which means that we can change their values for each new instance we create. When we create an instance of a class that defines many public-stored properties, we create a mutable object, which is an object that can change its state.



A mutable object is also known as a mutating object.

For example, let's think about a class named `MutableVector3D` that represents a mutable 3D vector with three public-stored properties: `x`, `y`, and `z`. We can create a new `MutableVector3D` instance and initialize the `x`, `y`, and `z` attributes. Then, we can call the `sum` method with the delta values of `x`, `y`, and `z` as arguments. The delta values specify the difference between the existing and new or desired value. So, for example, if we specify a positive value of 30 in the `deltaX` parameter, it means we want to add 30 to the `x` value. The following lines declare the `MutableVector3D` class that represents the mutable version of a 3D vector in Swift. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_15` folder:

```
public class MutableVector3D {
    public var x: Float
    public var y: Float
    public var z: Float
    init(x: Float, y: Float, z: Float) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
    public func sum(deltaX: Float, deltaY: Float,
deltaZ: Float) {
        x += deltaX
        y += deltaY
        z += deltaZ
    }

    public func printValues() {
        print("X: (x), Y: (y), Z: (z)")
    }
}
```

Note that the declaration of the `sum` instance method uses the `func` keyword, specifies the arguments with their types enclosed in parentheses, and then declares the body for the method enclosed in curly brackets. The `public sum` instance method receives the delta values for `x`, `y`, and `z` (`deltaX`, `deltaY`, and `deltaZ`) and mutates the object, which means that the method changes the values of `x`, `y`, and `z`. The `public printValues` method prints the values of the three instance-stored properties: `x`, `y`, and `z`.



Swift API Design Guidelines suggest us to name functions and methods according to their side-effects. In this case, the `sum` operation is naturally described by a verb; therefore, we use the verb's imperative for the mutating method: `sum`.

The following lines create a new `MutableVector3D` instance method called `myMutableVector`, initialized with the values of the `x`, `y`, and `z` properties. Then, the code calls the `sum` method with the delta values of `x`, `y`, and `z` as arguments and finally calls the `printValues` method to check the new values after the object is mutated with the call to the `sum` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_14` folder:

```
var myMutableVector = MutableVector3D(x: 30, y: 50,
z: 70)
myMutableVector.sum(deltaX: 20, deltaY: 30,
deltaZ: 15)
myMutableVector.printValues()
```

The results of the execution in the Playground are shown in the following screenshot:

```
public class MutableVector3D {
    public var x: Float
    public var y: Float
    public var z: Float

    init(x: Float, y: Float, z: Float) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }

    public func sum(deltaX: Float, deltaY: Float, deltaZ: Float) {
        x += deltaX
        y += deltaY
        z += deltaZ
    }

    public func printValues() {
        print("X: \(x), Y: \(y), Z: \(z)")
    }
}

var myMutableVector = MutableVector3D(x: 30, y: 50, z: 70)
myMutableVector.sum(deltaX: 20, deltaY: 30, deltaZ: 15)
myMutableVector.printValues()
```

"X: 50.0, Y: 80.0, Z: 85.0\n"

MutableVector3D  
MutableVector3D  
MutableVector3D

X: 50.0, Y: 80.0, Z: 85.0



Swift 3 normalized the first parameter declaration in methods and functions. As a result of this, by default, Swift 3 externalizes the first parameter. Thus, first parameter declarations in Swift 3 match the behavior of the second and later parameters in the earlier Swift versions, such as Swift 2.3 and 2.2. In the previous example, we had to specify the argument label for the first parameter, `deltaX`, when we called the `sum` method. If we want to suppress the externalization of the argument label for the first parameter, we must add an underscore (`_`) followed by a space before the parameter label in the method's declaration. For example, `public sum (_ deltaX: Float, deltaY: Float, deltaZ: Float)` would generate a method that we can call without specifying the argument label for the first parameter, that is, with the default behavior we had in Swift 2.3 and 2.2.

The initial values of the `myMutableVector` fields are 30 for `x`, 50 for `y`, and 70 for `z`. The `sum` method changes the values of the three instance-stored properties; therefore, the object state mutates as follows:

- `myMutableVector.X` mutates from 30 to  $30 + 20 = 50$
- `myMutableVector.Y` mutates from 50 to  $50 + 30 = 80$
- `myMutableVector.Z` mutates from 70 to  $70 + 15 = 85$

The values for the `myMutableVector` fields after the call to the `sum` method are 50 for `x`, 80 for `y`, and 85 for `z`. We can say that the method mutated the object's state; therefore, `myMutableVector` is a mutable object and an instance of a mutable class.

It's a very common requirement to generate a 3D vector with all the values initialized to 0, that is,  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $z = 0$ . A 3D vector with these values is known as an origin vector. We can add a type method to the `MutableVector3D` class named `makeOrigin` to generate a new instance of the class initialized with all the values in 0. Type methods are also known as class or static methods in other object-oriented programming languages. It is necessary to add the `class` keyword before the `func` keyword to generate a type method instead of an instance. The following lines define the `makeOrigin` type method. Add the lines within the `MutableVector3D` class declaration. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_15` folder:

```
public class func makeOrigin() -> MutableVector3D {
    return MutableVector3D(x: 0, y: 0, z: 0)
}
```



Swift API Design Guidelines suggest us to begin the names of factory methods with `make`.

The preceding method returns a new instance of the `MutableVector3D` class with 0 as the initial value for all the three elements. The following lines call the `makeOrigin` type method to generate a 3D vector, the `sum` method for the generated instance, and finally, the `printValues` method to check the values of the three elements on the Playground. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_15` folder:

```
var myMutableVector2 = MutableVector3D.makeOrigin()
myMutableVector2.sum(deltaX: 5, deltaY: 10,
deltaZ: 15)
myMutableVector2.printValues()
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the preceding code in the Playground:

|                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>public func printValues() {     print("X: \(x), Y: \(y), Z: \(z)") }</pre>                                                                                        | (2 times)                                             |
| <pre>public class func makeOrigin() -&gt; MutableVector3D {     return MutableVector3D(x: 0, y: 0, z: 0) }</pre>                                                       | MutableVector3D                                       |
| <pre>var myMutableVector = MutableVector3D(x: 30, y: 50, z: 70) myMutableVector.sum(deltaX: 20, deltaY: 30, deltaZ: 15) myMutableVector.printValues()</pre>            | MutableVector3D<br>MutableVector3D<br>MutableVector3D |
| <pre>var myMutableVector2 = MutableVector3D.makeOrigin() myMutableVector2.sum(deltaX: 5, deltaY: 10, deltaZ: 15) myMutableVector2.printValues()</pre>                  | MutableVector3D<br>MutableVector3D<br>MutableVector3D |
| <pre>x 5 y 10 z 15</pre>                                                                                                                                               |                                                       |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <span>⌵</span> <span>▶</span><br/> <b>X: 50.0, Y: 80.0, Z: 85.0)</b><br/> <b>X: 5.0, Y: 10.0, Z: 15.0)</b> </div> |                                                       |

## Building immutable classes

Mutability is very important in object-oriented programming. In fact, whenever we expose mutable properties, we create a class that will generate mutable instances. However, sometimes a mutable object can become a problem and in certain situations, we want to avoid objects changing their state. For example, when we work with concurrent code, an object that cannot change its state solves many concurrency problems and avoids potential bugs.



An immutable object is also known as a non-mutating object.

For example, we can create an immutable version of the previous `MutableVector3D` class to represent an immutable 3D vector. The new `ImmutableVector3D` class has three immutable instance properties declared with the `let` keyword instead of the previously used `var` keyword: `x`, `y`, and `z`. We can create a new `ImmutableVector3D` instance and initialize the immutable instance properties. Then, we can call a `summed` method with the delta values of `x`, `y`, and `z` as arguments.



Swift API Design Guidelines suggest us to name functions and methods according to their side-effects. In this case, the sum operation is naturally described by a verb; therefore, we apply the `ed` suffix (or its past tense) for the nonmutating method: `summed`. Remember that we used the verb's imperative for the mutating method: `sum`.

The `summed` public instance method receives the delta values for `x`, `y`, and `z` (`deltaX`, `deltaY`, and `deltaZ`), and returns a new instance of the same class with the values of `x`, `y`, and `z` initialized with the results of the sum. The following lines show the code of the `ImmutableVector3D` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_16` folder:

```
public class ImmutableVector3D {
    public let x: Float
    public let y: Float
    public let z: Float
    init(x: Float, y: Float, z: Float) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
}
```

```
public func summed(deltaX: Float, deltaY: Float,
deltaZ: Float) -> ImmutableVector3D {
    return ImmutableVector3D(x: x + deltaX, y: y +
    deltaY, z: z + deltaZ)
}
public func printValues() {
    print("X: (self.x), Y: (self.y), Z: (self.z)")
}
public class func makeEqualElements(initialValue:
Float) -> ImmutableVector3D {
    return ImmutableVector3D(x: initialValue,
y: initialValue, z: initialValue)
}
public class func makeOrigin() -> ImmutableVector3D
{
    return makeEqualElements(initialValue: 0)
}
}
```

In the new `ImmutableVector3D` class, the `summed` method returns a new instance of the `ImmutableVector3D` class, that is, the current class. In this case, the `makeOrigin` type method returns the results of calling the `makeEqualElements` type method with `0` as an argument.

The `makeEqualElements` type method receives an `initialValue` argument for all the elements of the 3D vector, creates an instance of the actual class, and initializes all the elements with the received unique value. The `makeOrigin` type method demonstrates how we can call another type method within a type method. Note that both the type methods specify the returned type with `->` followed by the type name (`ImmutableVector3D`) after the arguments enclosed in parentheses. The following line shows the declaration for the `makeEqualElements` type method with the specified return type:

```
public class func makeEqualElements(initialValue:
Float) -> ImmutableVector3D {
```

The following lines call the `makeOrigin` type method, to generate an immutable 3D vector named `vector0`, and the `summed` method for the generated instance, and save the returned instance in the new `vector1` variable. The call to the `summed` method generates a new instance and doesn't mutate the existing object. Enter the lines after the code that declares the `ImmutableVector3D` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_03_16` folder:

```
var vector0 = ImmutableVector3D.makeOrigin()
var vector1 = vector0.summed(deltaX: 5, deltaY: 10,
```



```
deltaZ: 15)
vector1.printValues()
```



The code doesn't allow the users of the `ImmutableVector3D` class to change the values of the `x`, `y`, and `z` properties declared with the `let` keyword. The code doesn't compile if you try to assign a new value to any of these properties after they were initialized. Thus, we can say that the `ImmutableVector3D` class is 100 percent immutable. In other words, it is a non-mutating class.

Finally, the code calls the `printValues` method for the returned instance (`vector1`) to check the values of the three elements on the Playground, as shown in the following screenshot:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>public class ImmutableVector3D {     public let x: Float     public let y: Float     public let z: Float      init(x: Float, y: Float, z: Float) {         self.x = x         self.y = y         self.z = z     }      public func summed(deltaX: Float, deltaY: Float, deltaZ: Float) -&gt;         ImmutableVector3D {         return ImmutableVector3D(x: x + deltaX, y: y + deltaY, z: z +             deltaX)     }      public func printValues() {         print("X: \(self.x), Y: \(self.y), Z: \(self.z)")     }      public class func makeEqualElements(initialValue: Float) -&gt;         ImmutableVector3D {         return ImmutableVector3D(x: initialValue, y: initialValue, z:             initialValue)     }     public class func makeOrigin() -&gt; ImmutableVector3D {         return makeEqualElements(initialValue: 0)     } }  var vector0 = ImmutableVector3D.makeOrigin() var vector1 = vector0.summed(deltaX: 5, deltaY: 10, deltaZ: 15) vector1.printValues()</pre> | <pre>ImmutableVector3D "X: 5.0, Y: 10.0, Z: 15.0)\n" ImmutableVector3D ImmutableVector3D ImmutableVector3D ImmutableVector3D ImmutableVector3D ImmutableVector3D</pre> |
| <pre>x 5 y 10 z 15</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <p>X: 5.0, Y: 10.0, Z: 15.0</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                        |

The immutable version adds an overhead, compared with the mutable version, because it is necessary to create a new instance of the class as a result of calling the `summed` method. The previously analyzed mutable version (`MutableVector3D`) just changed the values for the attributes, and it wasn't necessary to generate a new instance. Obviously, the immutable version (`ImmutableVector3D`) has both a memory and performance overhead. However, when we work with concurrent code, it makes sense to pay the extra overhead to avoid potential issues caused by mutable objects. We just have to make sure that we analyze the advantages and tradeoffs in order to decide the most convenient way of coding our specific classes.

## Exercises

Now that you understand instance properties, type properties, and methods, it is time to spend some time in the Playground, the Swift REPL, or the Sandbox, creating new classes and instances:

- **Exercise 1:** Create mutable versions of the following three classes that we analyzed in Chapter 1, *Objects from the Real-World to the Playground*:
  - Equilateral triangle (The `EquilateralTriangle` class)
  - Square (The `Square` class)
  - Regular hexagon (The `RegularHexagon` class)
- **Exercise 2:** Create immutable versions of the previously created classes

## Test your knowledge

1. You use the `static var` keywords to declare a:
  1. Type property.
  2. Instance property.
  3. Read-only computed instance property.
2. You use the `static let` keywords to declare a:
  1. Mutable type property.
  2. Immutable instance property.
  3. Immutable type property.

3. An instance-stored property:
  1. Has its own independent value for each instance of a class.
  2. Has the same value for all the instances of a class.
  3. Has the same value for all the instances of a class, unless it is accessed through the class name followed by a dot and the property name.
4. A class that exposes mutable properties will:
  1. Generate immutable instances.
  2. Generate mutable instances.
  3. Generate mutable classes but immutable instances.
5. An instance method:
  1. Cannot access instance properties.
  2. Can access instance properties.
  3. Can access only type properties.
6. Based on Swift API Design Guidelines, which is the most convenient name for a mutable or mutating instance method naturally described by the `calculate` verb?
  1. `calculate`.
  2. `calculated`.
  3. `calculation`.
7. Based on Swift API Design Guidelines, which is the most convenient name for an immutable or nonmutating instance method naturally described by the `calculate` verb?
  1. `calculate`.
  2. `calculated`.
  3. `calculation`.
8. By default, Swift 3:
  1. Externalizes the first parameter in methods and functions.
  2. Doesn't externalize the first parameter in methods and functions.
  3. Externalizes the first parameter in methods but doesn't externalize the first parameter in functions.

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned about the different members of a class or blueprint. We worked with instance properties, type properties, instance methods, and type methods. We worked with stored properties, getters, setters, and property observers, and we took advantage of access modifiers to hide data.

We worked with superheroes and defined the shared properties of a specific type of lion superhero using type properties. We also worked with mutable and immutable versions of a 3D vector, following the recommendations included in the Swift API Design Guidelines. You also understood the difference between mutable and immutable classes.

Now that you have learned to encapsulate data with properties, you are ready to create class hierarchies to abstract and specialize behavior, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 4

## Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization

In this chapter, you will learn about one of the most important topics of object-oriented programming: **inheritance**. We will work with examples on how to create class hierarchies, override methods, overload methods, work with inherited initializers, and overload operators. In addition, you will learn about polymorphism and basic typecasting.

### Creating class hierarchies to abstract and specialize behavior

So far, we have created classes to generate blueprints for real-life objects. Now, it is time to take advantage of the more advanced features of object-oriented programming and start designing a hierarchy of classes instead of working with isolated classes. First, we will design all the classes that we need based on the requirements, and then, we will use the features available in Swift to code the design.

We worked with classes to represent superheroes. Now, let's imagine that we have to develop a very complex app that requires us to work with hundreds of types of domestic animals. We already know that the app will start working with the following four domestic animal species:

- Dog (*Canis lupus familiaris*)
- Guinea pig (*Cavia porcellus*)
- Domestic canary (*Serinus canaria domestica*)
- Cat (*Felis silvestris catus*)

The previous list provides the scientific names for each domestic animal species. Of course, we will work with the most common name for each species and just have the scientific name as a type property. Thus, we won't have a complex class name, such as `CanisLupusFamiliaris`, but we will use `Dog` instead.

Initially, we'll have to work with a limited number of breeds for the previously enumerated four domestic animal species. Additionally, in the future, it will be necessary to work with other members of the listed domestic animal species, other domestic mammals, and even reptiles and birds that don't belong to the domestic animal species. Thus, our object-oriented design must be ready to be expanded for future requirements. In fact, you will understand how object-oriented programming makes it easy to expand an existing design for future requirements.

Of course, we don't want our object-oriented design to model a complete representation of the animal kingdom and its classification. We just want to create the necessary classes to have a flexible model that can be easily expanded. The animal kingdom is extremely complex, and we will keep our focus in just a few members of this huge family.



The examples will also allow you to understand that object-oriented programming doesn't sacrifice flexibility. We can start with a simple class hierarchy that can be expanded as the application's complexity increases and we have more information about new requirements.

In this case, we will need many classes to represent a complex classification of animals and their breeds. The following list enumerates the classes that we will create and their descriptions:

- `Animal`: This is a class that generalizes all the members of the animal kingdom. Dogs, guinea pigs, domestic canaries, cats, reptiles, and birds have one thing in common: they are animals. Thus, it makes sense to create a class that will be the baseline for the different classes of animals that we may have to represent in our object-oriented design.
- `Mammal`: This is a class that generalizes all the mammalian animals. Mammals are different from reptiles, amphibians, birds, and insects. As we already know that we will also have to model reptiles and birds, we will create a `Mammal` class at this level.
- `Bird`: This is a class that generalizes all birds. Birds are different from mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and insects. We already know that we will also have to model reptiles and birds. In fact, a domestic canary is a bird, so we will create a `Bird` class at the same level as `Mammal`.

- **DomesticMammal:** This is a subclass of `Mammal`. The tiger (*Panthera tigris*) is the largest and heaviest living species of the cat family. A tiger is a cat, but it is completely different from a domestic cat. The initial requirements tell us that we will work with both domestic and wild animals, so we will create a class that generalizes all domestic mammal animals. In the future, we will have a `WildMammal` subclass that will generalize all the wild mammalian animals.
- **DomesticBird:** The ostrich (*Struthio camelus*) is the largest living bird. However, obviously, an ostrich is completely different from a domestic canary. As we will work with both domestic and wild birds, we will create a class that generalizes all domestic birds. In the future, we will have a `WildBird` class that will generalize all wild birds.
- **Dog:** We could go on specializing the `DomesticMammal` class with additional subclasses until we reach a `Dog` class. For example, we might create a `CanisCarnivorianDomesticMammal` subclass and then make the `Dog` class inherit from it. However, the kind of app we have to develop doesn't require any intermediary class between `DomesticMammal` and `Dog`. At this level, we will also have a `Cat` class. The `Dog` class generalizes the properties and methods required for a dog in our application. Subclasses of the `Dog` class will represent the different families of the dog breed. For example, one of the main differences between a dog and a cat in our application domain is that a dog barks and a cat meows.
- **Cat:** The `Cat` class generalizes the properties and methods required for a cat in our application. Subclasses of the `Cat` class will represent the different families of the cat breed. In this case, we create a class to represent domestic cats, so `Cat` is a subclass of `DomesticMammal`.
- **GuineaPig:** The `GuineaPig` class generalizes all the properties and methods required for a guinea pig in our application.
- **TerrierDog:** Each dog breed belongs to a family. We will work with a huge amount of dog breeds, and some profile values determined by their family are very important for our application. Thus, we will create a subclass of `Dog` for each family. In this case, the sample `TerrierDog` class represents the Terrier family.

- **SmoothFoxTerrier:** Finally, a subclass of a dog breed family class will represent a specific dog breed that belongs to the family. Its breed determines the dog's looks and behavior. A dog that belongs to the Smooth Fox Terrier breed is completely different from a dog that belongs to the Tibetan Spaniel breed. Thus, we will create instances of the classes at this level to give life to each dog in our application. In this case, the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class models an animal, a mammal, domestic mammal, dog, and terrier family dog, specifically, a dog that belongs to the Smooth Fox Terrier breed.
- **DomesticCanary:** The `DomesticCanary` class generalizes the properties and methods required for a domestic canary in our application.

Each class listed in the previous list represents a specialization of the previous class—that is, its superclass, parent class, or superset—as shown in the following table:

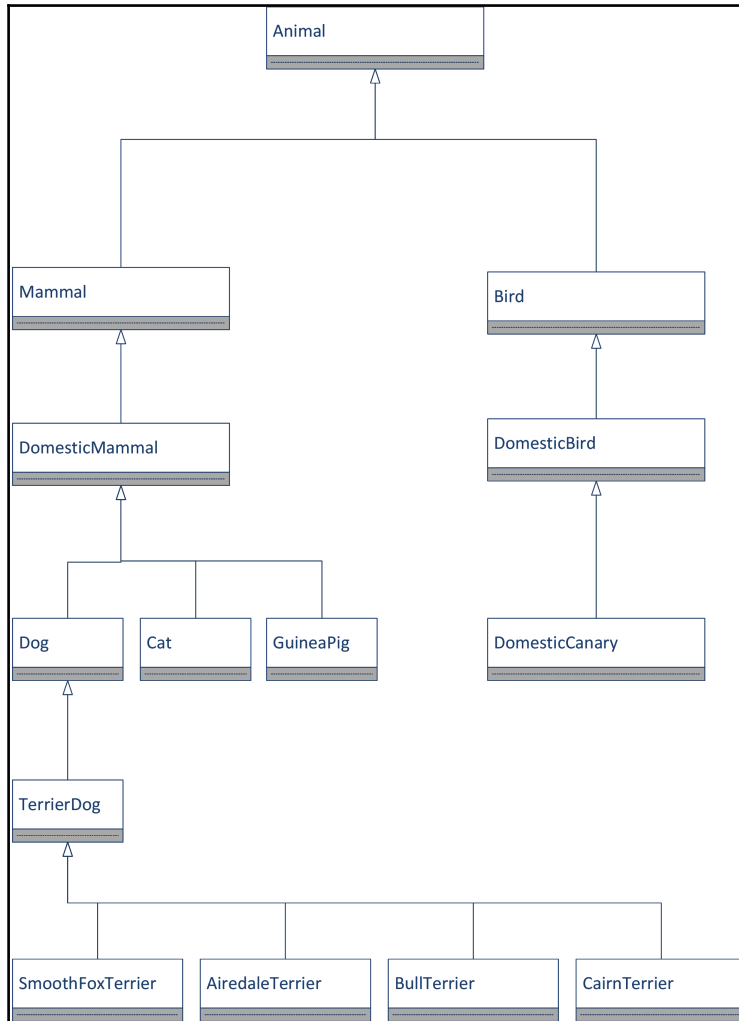
| <b>Superclass, parent class, or superset</b> | <b>Subclass, child class, or subset</b> |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Animal                                       | Mammal                                  |
| Animal                                       | Bird                                    |
| Mammal                                       | DomesticMammal                          |
| Bird                                         | DomesticBird                            |
| DomesticMammal                               | Dog                                     |
| DomesticMammal                               | Cat                                     |
| DomesticMammal                               | GuineaPig                               |
| DomesticBird                                 | DomesticCanary                          |
| Dog                                          | TerrierDog                              |
| TerrierDog                                   | SmoothFoxTerrier                        |

Our application requires many members of the Terrier family, so the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class will not be the only subclass of `TerrierDog`. In the future, we will have the following three additional subclasses of `TerrierDog`:

- **AiredaleTerrier:** This is the Airedale Terrier breed
- **BullTerrier:** This is the Bull Terrier breed
- **CairnTerrier:** This is the Cairn Terrier breed



The following UML diagram shows the previous classes organized in a class hierarchy:



## Understanding inheritance

When a class inherits from another class, it inherits all the elements that compose the parent class, which is also known as a superclass. The class that inherits the elements is known as a subclass. For example, the `Mammal` subclass inherits all the properties, instance fields or instance attributes, and class fields or class attributes defined in the `Animal` superclass.

The `Animal` abstract class is the baseline for our class hierarchy. We say that it is an abstract class because we shouldn't create instances of the `Animal` class; instead, we must create instances of the specific subclasses of `Animal`. However, we must take into account that Swift doesn't allow us to declare a class as an abstract class.

We require each `Animal` to specify its age, so we will have to specify the age when we create any `Animal`, that is, any instance of any `Animal` subclass. The class will define an age property and display a message whenever an animal is created. The class defines three type properties that specify the number of legs, the average number of children, and the ability to fly. The first two type properties will be initialized to `0` and the last one to `false`. The subclasses will have to set appropriate values for these type properties. The `Animal` class defines the following three instance methods:

- **Print legs:** This prints a representation of the specified number of legs. Guinea pigs have legs that are very different from the ones that dogs have.
- **Print children:** This prints a representation of the specific average number of children.
- **Print age:** This prints the animal's age.

In addition, we want to be able to compare the age of the different `Animal` instances using the following operators:

- Less than (`<`)
- Less than or equal to (`<=`)
- Greater than (`>`)
- Greater than or equal to (`>=`)

We have to print a message whenever we create any `Animal` instance. We won't create instances of the `Animal` class but those of its different subclasses. When we inherit from a class, we also inherit its initializer, so we can call the inherited initializer to run the initialization code for the base class. This way, it is possible to know when an instance of `Animal` is created, even when it is a class that we don't use to create instances. In fact, all the instances of the subclasses of `Animal` will be instances of `Animal` too.

The `Mammal` class inherits from `Animal`. We require each `Mammal` class to specify its age and whether it is pregnant or not when creating an instance. The class inherits the age property from the `Animal` superclass, so it is only necessary to add a property to specify whether it is pregnant or not. Note that we will not specify the gender at any time in order to keep things simple. If we added gender, we would need a validation to avoid a male being pregnant. Right now, our focus is on inheritance. The class displays a message whenever a mammalian animal is created, that is, whenever its initializer is executed.



Each class inherits from one class, so each new class we will define has just one superclass. In this case, we will always work with *single inheritance*.

The `DomesticMammal` class inherits from `Mammal`. We require each `DomesticMammal` class to specify its name and favorite toy. Any domestic mammal has a name and it always picks a favorite toy. Sometimes, the favorite toy is not exactly the toy we would like them to pick (our shoes, sneakers, or electronic devices), but let's keep the focus on our classes. It is necessary to add a read-only property to allow access to the name and a read/write property for the favorite toy. You never change the name of a domestic mammal, but you can force it to change its favorite toy. The class displays a message whenever a domestic mammalian animal is created.

The `talk` instance method will display a message indicating the domestic mammal's name concatenated with the word `talk`. Each subclass must make the specific domestic mammal talk in a different way. A parrot can really talk, but we will consider a dog's bark and a cat's meow as if they were talking.

The `Dog` class inherits from `DomesticMammal` and specifies 4 as the value of the number of legs. The `Animal` class, that is, the `Mammal` superclass, defines this type attribute with 0 as the value, but `Dog` overwrites the inherited attribute with 4. The class displays a message whenever a dog is created. The average number of children will be specified in each subclass of `Dog` that determines a dog breed.

We want the dogs to be able to bark, so we need a `bark` method. The method has to allow a dog to do the following things:

- Bark happily just once
- Bark happily a specific number of times
- Bark happily at another domestic mammal with a name just once
- Bark happily at another domestic mammal with a name a specific number of times
- Bark angrily just once
- Bark angrily a specific number of times
- Bark angrily at another domestic mammal with a name just once
- Bark angrily at another domestic mammal with a name a specific number of times

We can have just one `bark` method with optional arguments or many `bark` methods. Swift provides many mechanisms to solve the challenges of the different ways in which a dog must be able to bark.

When we call the `talk` method for any dog, we want it to bark happily once. We don't want to display the message defined in the `talk` method introduced in the `DomesticMammal` class. Thus, the `Dog` class must overwrite the inherited `talk` method with its own definition.

We want to know the breed and breed family to which a dog belongs. Thus, we will define both the `breed` and `breed family` type properties. Each subclass of `Dog` must specify the appropriate values for these type properties. In addition, two type methods will allow us to print the dog's breed and breed family.

The `TerrierDog` class inherits from `Dog` and specifies `Terrier` as the value for the `breed family`. The class displays a message whenever a `TerrierDog` class is created.

Finally, the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class inherits from `TerrierDog` and specifies `Smooth Fox Terrier` as the value for the `breed`. The class displays a message whenever a `SmoothFoxTerrier` class is created.

First, we will create a base `Animal` class in Swift, and then, we will use simple inheritance to create the subclasses. We will override methods and overload comparison operators to be able to compare different instances of a specific class and its subclasses. We will take advantage of polymorphism, which is a very important feature in object-oriented programming.

## Declaring classes that inherit from another class

The following lines show the code for the `Animal` base class in Swift. The class header doesn't specify a base class, so this class will become our base class for the other classes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_01` folder:

```
open class Animal {
    open static var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }
    open static var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }
    open static var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    open var age: Int
    init(age : Int) {
        self.age = age
        print("Animal created")
    }
    open static func printALeg() {
        preconditionFailure("The printALeg method must be overridden")
    }
    open func printLegs() {
        for _ in 0..
```

```
    open func printAge() {
        print("I am (age) years old.")
    }
}
```

The preceding class declares two read-only type computed properties and both return 0 as their value: `numberOfLegs` and `averageNumberOfChildren`. In addition, the class declares another read-only type computed property that returns `false` as its value: `abilityToFly`. We will be able to return different values for these properties in the different subclasses of `Animal`.

The initializer requires an `age` value to create an instance of the class and prints a message indicating that an animal is created. The class declares an `age` stored instance property. It defines the following three instance methods:

- `printAge`: This displays the age based on the `age` value
- `printALeg`: This uses `preconditionFailure` to indicate that each subclass must override this type method with a specific implementation that prints a single leg for the animal
- `printAChild`: This uses `preconditionFailure` to indicate that each subclass must override this type method with a specific implementation that prints a single child for the animal

In addition, the class declares the following two type methods:

- `printLegs`: This calls the `printALeg` method the number of times specified in the `numberOfLegs` type property. The method uses the `type` function with `self` as the value for the `of` argument to retrieve the runtime type as a value and access the type property for the specific type that we used to create the instance.
- `printChildren`: This calls the `printAChild` method the number of times specified in the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property. As it happened in the `printLegs` property, the code uses the `type` function with `self` as the value for the `of` argument to access the necessary type property.

If we execute the following line in the Playground after declaring the `Animal` class, Swift will generate a fatal error and indicate that the `printAChild` type method must be overridden, as shown in the subsequent screenshot. We will see similar error messages in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_02` folder:

```
Animal.printAChild()
```

```
preconditionFailure("The printALeg method must be overridden")
}

open func printLegs() {
    for _ in 0..
```

We have to add additional functions to allow us to compare the ages of different `Animal` instances using operators. We will add the necessary code to perform this task later.

The following lines show the code for the `Mammal` class that inherits from `Animal`. Note the `class` keyword followed by the class name `Mammal`, a colon (:), and `Animal`, which is the superclass from which it inherits, in the class definition. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_03` folder:

```
open class Mammal: Animal {
    open var isPregnant: Bool = false
    private func initialize(isPregnant: Bool) {
        self.isPregnant = isPregnant
        print("Mammal created")
    }
}
```

```
    override init(age: Int) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: false)
    }
    init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: isPregnant)
    }
}
```

The `Mammal` class inherits the members from the previously declared `Animal` class and adds a new `Bool` stored property initialized with the default `false` value. Note that this class declares two designated initializers. One of the initializers requires an `age` value to create an instance of the class, as it happened with the `Animal` initializer. The other initializer requires the `age` and `isPregnant` values. If we create an instance of this class with just one `age` argument, Swift will use the first initializer. If we create an instance of this class with two arguments—an `Int` value for `age` and a `Bool` value for `isPregnant`—Swift will use the second initializer. Thus, we have overloaded the initializer and provided two different initializers. Of course, we could also take advantage of optional parameters. However, in this case, we want to overload initializers.

The two initializers use the `super` keyword to call the inherited `init` method from the base class or superclass, that is, the `init` method defined in the `Animal` class. Once the superclass's initializer finishes its execution, each initializer calls the `initialize` private method that initializes the `isPregnant` stored property with the value received as an argument or the default `false` value in case it isn't specified.



We use `super` to reference the superclass.

One of the initializers uses the `override` keyword to override the initializer with the same declaration that is included in the superclass. We already had an initializer with an `age` argument of type `Int` in the `Animal` superclass. The other initializer doesn't require the `override` keyword because there is no initializer declared in the `Animal` superclass with the same arguments.



The following lines create an instance of the `Mammal` class in the Playground using the designated initializer that just requires an `age` argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_03` folder:

```
var bat = Mammal(age: 3)
bat.printAge()
print(bat.isPregnant)
```

The following lines show the results of the preceding lines. When the superclass initializer is executed, it prints `Animal created`, and after this happens, the initializer defined in the `Mammal` class prints `Mammal created`. The call to the `printAge` method defined in the `Animal` superclass prints the actual value of the `age` property in this instance of the `Mammal` class. Finally, a line prints the value of the `isPregnant` property that was initialized with `false` because we didn't specify a value for it:

```
Animal created
Mammal created
I am 3 years old.
false
```

The following lines create another instance of the `Mammal` class in the Playground using the initializer that requires two arguments: `age` and `isPregnant`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_03` folder:

```
var cat = Mammal(age: 6, isPregnant: true)
cat.printAge()
print(cat.isPregnant)
```

The following lines show the results of the preceding lines. The last line prints the value of the `isPregnant` property that was initialized with `true` in the initializer defined in the `Mammal` class:

```
Animal created
Mammal created
I am 6 years old.
true
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the preceding code in the Playground:

```
open class Mammal: Animal {
    open var isPregnant: Bool = false

    private func initialize(isPregnant: Bool) {
        self.isPregnant = isPregnant
        print("Mammal created")
    }

    override init(age: Int) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: false)
    }

    init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: isPregnant)
    }
}

var bat = Mammal(age: 3)
bat.printAge()
print(bat.isPregnant)

var cat = Mammal(age: 6, isPregnant: true)
cat.printAge()
print(cat.isPregnant)
```

|                               |
|-------------------------------|
| (2 times)                     |
| (2 times)                     |
| Mammal<br>Mammal<br>"false\n" |
| Mammal<br>Mammal<br>"true\n"  |

```
Animal created
Mammal created
I am 3 years old.
false
Animal created
Mammal created
I am 6 years old.
```

## Overriding and overloading methods

Swift allows us to define a method with the same name many times with different arguments. This feature is known as method overloading. In some cases, as in our previous example, we can overload the designated initializer. However, it is very important to mention that a similar effect might be achieved with optional parameters or default values for specific arguments.

For example, we can take advantage of method overloading to define multiple versions of the `bark` method that we have to define in the `Dog` class. However, it is very important to avoid code duplication when we overload methods.

Sometimes, we define a method in a class, and we know that a subclass might need to provide a different version of the method. When a subclass provides a different implementation of the method defined in a superclass, with the same name, arguments, and return type, we say that we are overriding a method. When we override a method, the implementation in the subclass overwrites the code provided in the superclass.



It is also possible to override methods related to properties, such as getters and setters, and the other members of a class in the subclasses.

The following lines show the code for the `DomesticMammal` class that inherits from `Mammal`. Note the `class` keyword followed by the class name `DomesticMammal`, a colon (`:`), and `Mammal`, which is the superclass from which it inherits, in the class definition. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_ooop_chapter_04_04` folder:

```
open class DomesticMammal: Mammal {
    open var name = String()
    open var favoriteToy = String()
    private func initialize(name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        self.name = name
        self.favoriteToy = favoriteToy
        print("DomesticMammal created")
    }
    init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
    init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String, favoriteToy:
String) {
        super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant)
        initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
    open func talk() {
        print("(name): talks")
    }
}
```

The preceding class declares two designated initializers. One of them requires `age`, `name`, and `favoriteToy` to create an instance of a class. The other initializer adds an `isPregnant` argument. As it happened in the `Mammal` class, the code within each initializer uses `super.init` to call the appropriate superclass' initializer. In one case, we just need the `age` value received as an argument, and in the other case, it is also necessary to add the `isPregnant` value. Once the superclass's initializer finishes its execution, the initializers call the `initialize` private method that initializes the `name` and `favoriteToy` properties. After the method finishes initializing the properties, it prints a message indicating that a `DomesticMammal` class is created. The following lines show both initializer declarations:

```
init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
  init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String, favoriteToy: String)
}
```

The class defines two stored properties: `name` and `favoriteToy`. The `talk` instance method displays a message with the `name` value followed by a colon (`:`) and `talks`. Note that we will be able to override this method in any subclass of `DomesticMammal` because each domestic mammal has a different way of talking.

The following lines create an instance of the `DomesticMammal` class in the `Playground` using the initializer that requires three arguments: `age`, `name`, and `favoriteToy`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_04` folder:

```
var scooby = DomesticMammal(age: 5, name: "Scooby", favoriteToy:
"Scarf")
scooby.printAge()
scooby.talk()
print(scooby.favoriteToy)
print(scooby.isPregnant)
```

The following lines show the results of the preceding lines. We can detect the chained execution of the initializers in the base class (`Animal`), the superclass (`Mammal`), and the class (`DomesticMammal`). The first line displays `Animal created`, the second line displays `Mammal created`, and the third line displays `Domestic Mammal created`. The call to the `printAge` method defined in the base class (`Animal`) prints the actual value of the `age` property in this instance of the `DomesticMammal` class. The call to the `talk` method displays the message that starts with the `name` value.

A line prints the value of the `favoriteToy` property that is defined in this class, and then, another line prints the value of the inherited `isPregnant` property. In this case, the value of the `isPregnant` property was initialized with `false` because we didn't specify a value for it:

```
Animal created
Mammal created
DomesticMammal created
I am 5 years old.
Scooby: talks
Scarf
false
```

The following lines create another instance of the `DomesticMammal` class in the Playground using the initializer that requires four arguments: `age`, `isPregnant`, `name`, and `favoriteToy`:

```
var lady = DomesticMammal(age: 6, isPregnant: true, name: "Lady",
favoriteToy: "Teddy")
lady.printAge()
lady.talk()
print(lady.favoriteToy)
print(lady.isPregnant)
```

The following lines show the results of the preceding lines. The last line prints the value of the `isPregnant` property that was initialized with `true` in the initializer defined in the `Mammal` class and called through the initializers' chain:

```
Animal created
Mammal created
DomesticMammal created
I am 6 years old.
Lady: talks
Teddy
true
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the preceding code in the Playground:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |
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| <code>self.name = name</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | (2 times)      |
| <code>self.favoriteToy = favoriteToy</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | (2 times)      |
| <code>print("DomesticMammal created")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | (2 times)      |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                |
| <code>super.init(age: age)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                |
| <code>initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String, favoriteToy: String)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                |
| <code>{</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                |
| <code>initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>open func talk() {</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |
| <code>print("\(name): talks")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | (2 times)      |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <code>var scooby = DomesticMammal(age: 5, name: "Scooby", favoriteToy: "Scarf")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | DomesticMammal |
| <code>scooby.printAge()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | DomesticMammal |
| <code>scooby.talk()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | DomesticMammal |
| <code>print(scooby.favoriteToy)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | "Scarf\n"      |
| <code>print(scooby.isPregnant)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | "false\n"      |
| <code>var lady = DomesticMammal(age: 6, isPregnant: true, name: "Lady", favoriteToy: "Teddy")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | DomesticMammal |
| <code>lady.printAge()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | DomesticMammal |
| <code>lady.talk()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | DomesticMammal |
| <code>print(lady.favoriteToy)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | "Teddy\n"      |
| <code>print(lady.isPregnant)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | "true\n"       |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>                     Animal created<br/>                     Mammal created<br/>                     DomesticMammal created<br/>                     I am 5 years old.<br/>                     Scooby: talks<br/>                     Scarf<br/>                     false<br/>                     Animal created<br/>                     Mammal created<br/>                     DomesticMammal created<br/>                     I am 6 years old.<br/>                     Lady: talks<br/>                     Teddy<br/>                     true                 </p> </div> |                |

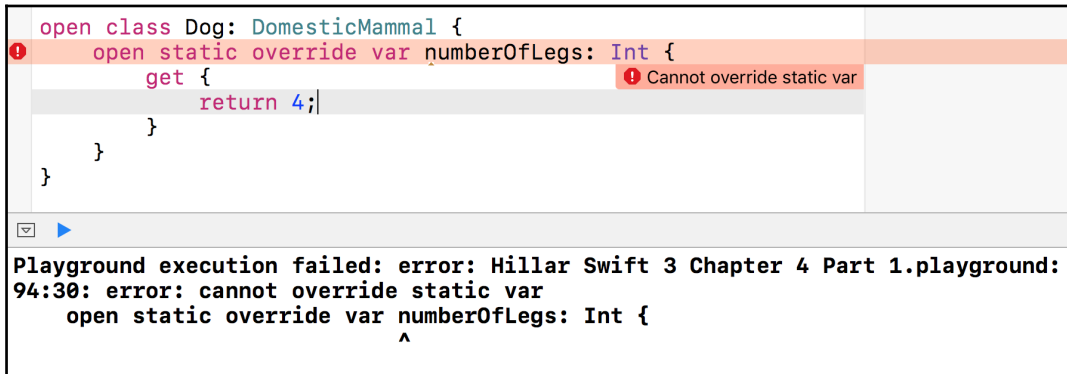
Dogs are domestic mammals that have four legs, and so far, nobody has discovered a dog breed with the ability to fly. When we define the `Dog` class that inherits from `DomesticMammal`, we will want to override the `numberOfLegs` type property to make its getter return 4 and make sure that the `abilityToFly` type property will always return `false` in `Dog` and any of its subclasses.

## Overriding properties

First, we will try to override the `numberOfLegs` type property that the `Dog` class will inherit from the `Animal` base class. We will face an issue and solve it. The following lines show the code for a simplified version of the `Dog` class that inherits from `DomesticMammal` and just tries to override the `numberOfLegs` type property:

```
open class Dog: DomesticMammal {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
}
```

After we enter the previous lines in the Playground, we will see the following error message in the line that tries to override the `numberOfLegs` type property: `error: cannot override static var`. The following screenshot shows the error in the Playground. We will see similar error messages in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_05` folder:



```
open class Dog: DomesticMammal {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
}
```

Playground execution failed: error: Hillar Swift 3 Chapter 4 Part 1.playground: 94:30: error: cannot override static var  
open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {  
                                          ^



When we declare either a type property or a method with the `static` keyword in a base class, it isn't possible to override it in a subclass. Thus, if we want to enable either a type property or a method to be overridden in the subclasses, it is necessary to use the `class` keyword instead of `static` when we declare them in the base class.

We have to change the declaration of the type properties declared in the `Animal` class to use the `class` keyword instead of the `static` keyword. The following lines show the first lines of code of the new version of the `Animal` class that replaces the declaration of the type properties to make it possible to override them in its subclasses. Note that the rest of the code for the class after the declaration of the three type properties (`numberOfLegs`, `averageNumberOfChildren`, and `abilityToFly`) remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_06` folder:

```
open class Animal {
    open class var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }

    open class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }

    open class var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

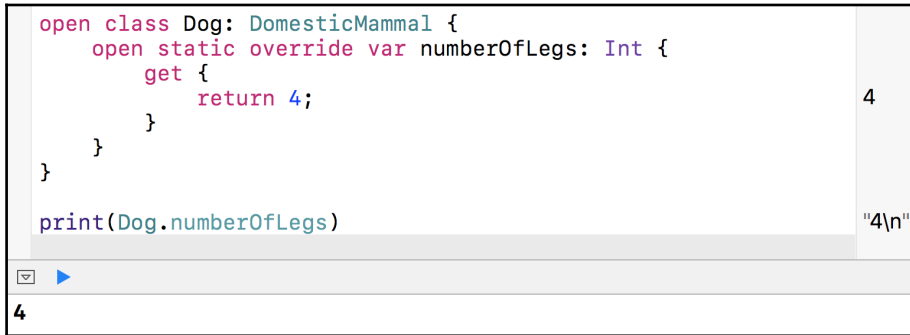
After we make the preceding changes to the `Animal` class, we will notice that the Playground will remove the error message in the declaration of the type property we declared in the `Dog` class. In fact, we didn't have to make changes to the type property declaration in the `Dog` class to remove the error. However, we must take into account that the usage of the `static` keyword when declaring the `numberOfLegs` type property in the `Dog` class that overrides the inherited property from the `Animal` class prevents subclasses of `Dog` from overriding this property. When we use `static` for overridden type properties, we are indicating to Swift that we don't want the type property to be overridden any more. In this case, it makes sense because so far, all the dogs that have been discovered have four legs. Thus, any `Dog` subclass won't need to specify a different value for this type property.

The following line prints the value for the overridden type property. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_06` folder:

```
print(Dog.numberOfLegs)
```



The next screenshot shows the results of printing the overridden type property in the Playground after we edited the type properties declarations in the `Animal` class:



```
open class Dog: DomesticMammal {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
}

print(Dog.numberOfLegs)
```

4

"4\n"

4

## Controlling whether subclasses can or cannot override members

The following lines show the code for the complete `Dog` class that inherits from `DomesticMammal`. Note that the following code replaces the previous `Dog` class that just declared an overridden type property. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_07` folder:

```
open class Dog: DomesticMammal {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
    open static override var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    open var breed: String {
        get {
            return "Just a dog"
        }
    }
}
```

```
open var breedFamily: String {
  get {
    return "Dog"
  }
}
private func initializeDog() {
  print("Dog created")
}
override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeDog()
}
override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeDog()
}
public final func printBreed() {
  print(breed)
}
public final func printBreedFamily() {
  print(breedFamily)
}
open func printBark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal:
DomesticMammal?, isAngry: Bool) {
  var bark = "(name)"
  if let unwrappedOtherDomesticMammal = otherDomesticMammal {
    bark += " to (unwrappedOtherDomesticMammal.name): "
  } else {
    bark += ": "
  }
  if isAngry {
    bark += "Grr "
  }
  for _ in 0 ..< times {
    bark += "Woof "
  }
  print(bark)
}
open func bark() {
  printBark(times: 1, otherDomesticMammal: nil, isAngry: false)
}
open func bark(times: Int) {
  printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal: nil,
isAngry: false)
}
```

```
open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal: herDomesticMammal,
        isAngry: false)
}

open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal,
    isAngry: Bool) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal:
        otherDomesticMammal, isAngry: isAngry)
}
open override func talk() {
    bark()
}
}
```

The `Dog` class overrides the `talk` method inherited from `DomesticMammal`. As it happened with the overridden properties in other subclasses, we just add the `override` keyword to the method declaration. The method doesn't invoke the method with the same name for its superclass, that is, we don't use the `super` keyword to invoke the `talk` method defined in `DomesticMammal`. The `talk` method in the `Dog` class invokes the `bark` method without parameters because dogs don't talk; they bark.

The `bark` method is overloaded with four declarations with different arguments. The following lines show the four different declarations included within the class body:

```
open func bark()
open func bark(times: Int)
open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal)
open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal,
    isAngry: Bool)
```

This way, we can call any of the defined `bark` methods based on the provided arguments. The four methods end up invoking the `printBark` open method with different default values for the arguments not provided in the call to `bark`. The method builds and prints a message according to the specified number of times (`times`), the optional destination domestic mammal (`otherDomesticMammal`), and whether the dog is angry or not (`isAngry`).

The `Dog` class overrides the `abilityToFly` type property with the `static` keyword. This way, subclasses of `dog` won't be able to override this type property to return a different value because there is no known dog breed that can fly.

The class also declares two read-only computed properties: `breed` and `breedFamily`. We will override their getters in the subclasses of `Dog`. The `printBreed` instance method displays the value of the `breed` computed property, and the `printBreedFamily` instance method displays the value of the `breedFamily` computed property.

We won't override these instance methods in the subclasses because we just need to override the values of the properties to achieve our goals; therefore, we declared both the methods with the `final` keyword.



Those methods use the `public` access level because they are accessible but not overridable outside the defining module. The `open` access level is both accessible and overridable; therefore, it cannot be used in conjunction with the `final` keyword, which makes the methods non-overridable.

The following lines show the declarations of both methods with the `final` keyword, which prevents the subclasses from overriding these methods:

```
public final func printBreed()
public final func printBreedFamily()
```

If we call these instance methods from an instance of a subclass of `Dog`, they will execute the code specified in the `Dog` class, but the code will use the value of the properties overridden in the subclasses. Thus, we will see the messages displaying the values of the properties as defined in the subclasses.

We want to override both the `printALeg` and `printAChild` type methods inherited from `Animal` in a subclass of `Dog`. We declared both properties with the `static` keyword, so we will only be able to override them if we replace this keyword with `class`. The following lines show the code that replaces the declaration of both the properties in the `Animal` class. Note that the rest of the code for the `Animal` class remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
open class func printALeg() {
    preconditionFailure("The printALeg method must be overridden")
}
open class func printAChild() {
    preconditionFailure("The printChild method must be overridden")
}
```

The following lines show the code for the `TerrierDog` class that inherits from `Dog`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
open class TerrierDog: Dog {
    open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 5;
        }
    }
    open override var breed: String {
        get {
            return "Terrier dog"
        }
    }
    open override var breedFamily: String {
        get {
            return "Terrier"
        }
    }
    private func initializeTerrierDog() {
        print("TerrierDog created")
    }
    override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeTerrierDog()
    }
    override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
            favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeTerrierDog()
    }
    open override class func printALeg() {
        print("|", terminator: String())
    }
    open override class func printAChild() {
        // Print a dog's face emoji
        print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01f436)!), terminator: String())
    }
}
```

As it happened in the other subclasses that we coded, we have more than one initializer defined for the class. In this case, one of the initializers requires `age`, `name`, and `favoriteToy` to create an instance of the `TerrierDog` class, and we also have an initializer that adds an `isPregnant` argument. Both initializers invoke the superclass's initializer and then call the private `initializeTerrierDog` method. This method prints a message indicating that a `TerrierDog` class is created. The class overrides the getter methods to return `"Terrier dog"` and `"Terrier"` as the values for the `breed` and `breedFamily` computed properties that were defined in the superclass and overridden in this class.

In addition, the class overrides the getter method for the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property. However, in this case, the overridden type property declaration uses the `class` keyword because we want to enable the subclasses of `TerrierDog` to be able to override this type property. The `Terrier` family is huge, and some of the members of this family have a different average number of children.

The class also overrides both the `printALeg` and `printAChild` type methods inherited from `Animal`. The `printALeg` method prints a pipe symbol (`|`), and the `printAChild` method prints a dog's face emoji.

## Working with typecasting and polymorphism

We can use the same method to cause different things to happen according to the class on which we invoke the method. In object-oriented programming, this feature is known as *polymorphism*.

For example, consider that we defined a `talk` method in the `Animal` class. The different subclasses of `Animal` must override this method to provide their own implementation of `talk`.

The `Dog` class overrode this method to print the representation of a dog barking, that is, a `Woof` message. On the other hand, a `Cat` class will override this method to print the representation of a cat meowing, that is, a `Meow` message.

Now, let's think about a `CartoonDog` class that represents a dog that can really talk as part of a cartoon. The `CartoonDog` class would override the `talk` method to print a `Hello` message because the dog can really talk.

Thus, depending on the type of instance, we will see a different result after invoking the same method with the same arguments even when all of them are subclasses of the same base class, that is, the `Animal` class.

The following lines show the code for the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class that inherits from `TerrierDog`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
open class SmoothFoxTerrier: TerrierDog {
    open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 6;
        }
    }
    open override var breed: String {
        get {
            return "Smooth Fox Terrier dog"
        }
    }
    private func initializeSmoothFoxTerrier() {
        print("SmoothFoxTerrier created")
    }
    override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeSmoothFoxTerrier()
    }
    override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
            favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeSmoothFoxTerrier()
    }
    open override class func printALeg() {
        print("!", terminator: String())
    }
    open override class func printAChild() {
        // Print Dog's face emoji
        print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01f415!)), terminator: String())
    }
}
```

The class has the same initializers that we coded for its superclass. Both initializers invoke the initializers defined in the superclass and then call the `initializeSmoothFoxTerrier` private method. The method prints a message indicating that a `SmoothFoxTerrier` class is created. The class overrides the getter method to return "Smooth Fox Terrier" for the `breed` computed property that was defined in the `Dog` superclass, and was overridden in the `TerrierDog` superclass and also in this class. In addition, the class overrides the getter method for the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property to return 6.

The class also overrides both the `printALeg` and `printAChild` type methods inherited from `Animal` and overridden in the `TerrierDog` superclass. The `printALeg` method prints an exclamation mark symbol (!). The `printAChild` method prints a dog emoji. This emoji is different from the dog's face emoji that the superclass method printed.

After we code all the classes, we can write code in the Playground to create instances of both the `TerrierDog` and `SmoothFoxTerrier` classes. The following are the first lines that create an instance of the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class named `tom` and use one of its initializers that doesn't require the `isPregnant` argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
var tom = SmoothFoxTerrier(age: 5, name: "Tom",
    favoriteToy: "Sneakers")
tom.printBreed()
tom.printBreedFamily()
```

The following lines show the messages displayed in the Playground after we enter the previous code:

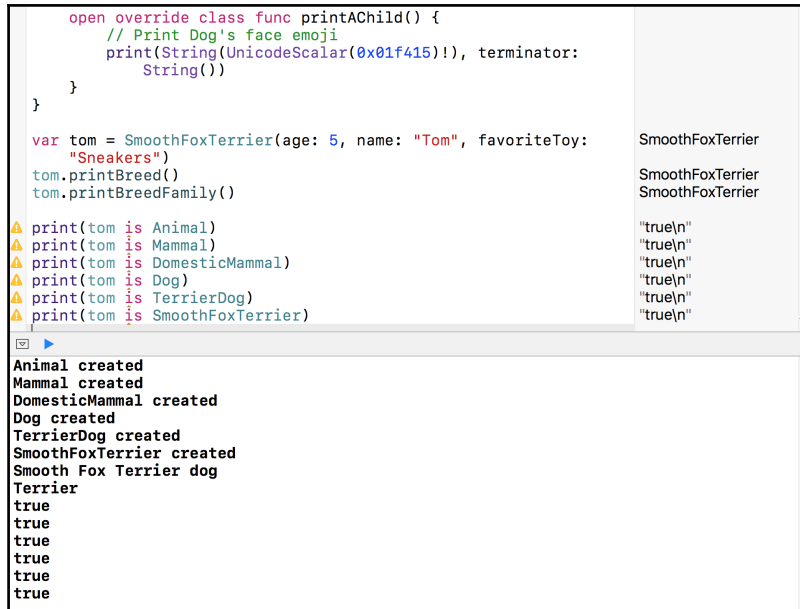
```
Animal created
Mammal created
DomesticMammal created
Dog created
TerrierDog created
SmoothFoxTerrier created
Smooth Fox Terrier dog
Terrier
```

First, the Playground prints the messages displayed by each initializer that is called. Remember that each initializer calls its base class initializer and prints a message indicating that an instance of the class is created. We don't have six different instances; we just have one instance that calls the chained initializers of six different classes to perform all the necessary initialization to create an instance of `SmoothFoxTerrier`. If we execute the following lines in the Playground, all of them will display `true` as a result, because `tom` belongs to the `Animal`, `Mammal`, `DomesticMammal`, `Dog`, `TerrierDog`, and `SmoothFoxTerrier` classes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
print(tom is Animal)
print(tom is Mammal)
print(tom is DomesticMammal)
print(tom is Dog)
print(tom is TerrierDog)
print(tom is SmoothFoxTerrier)
```



The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground. Note that the Playground uses an icon to let us know that all the `is` tests will always evaluate to `true`:



```
open override class func printAChild() {
    // Print Dog's face emoji
    print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01f415)!), terminator:
          String())
}

var tom = SmoothFoxTerrier(age: 5, name: "Tom", favoriteToy:
    "Sneakers")
tom.printBreed()
tom.printBreedFamily()

print(tom is Animal)
print(tom is Mammal)
print(tom is DomesticMammal)
print(tom is Dog)
print(tom is TerrierDog)
print(tom is SmoothFoxTerrier)
```

SmoothFoxTerrier  
SmoothFoxTerrier  
SmoothFoxTerrier  
"true\n"  
"true\n"  
"true\n"  
"true\n"  
"true\n"  
"true\n"

Animal created  
Mammal created  
DomesticMammal created  
Dog created  
TerrierDog created  
SmoothFoxTerrier created  
Smooth Fox Terrier dog  
Terrier  
true  
true  
true  
true  
true

We coded the `printBreed` and `printBreedFamily` methods within the `Dog` class, and we didn't override these methods in any of the subclasses. However, we overrode the properties whose content these methods display: `breed` and `breedFamily`. The `TerrierDog` class overrode both properties, and the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class overrode the `breed` property again.

The following line creates an instance of the `TerrierDog` class named `vanessa`. Note that in this case, we will create an instance of the superclass of the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class and use the initializer that requires the `isPregnant` argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

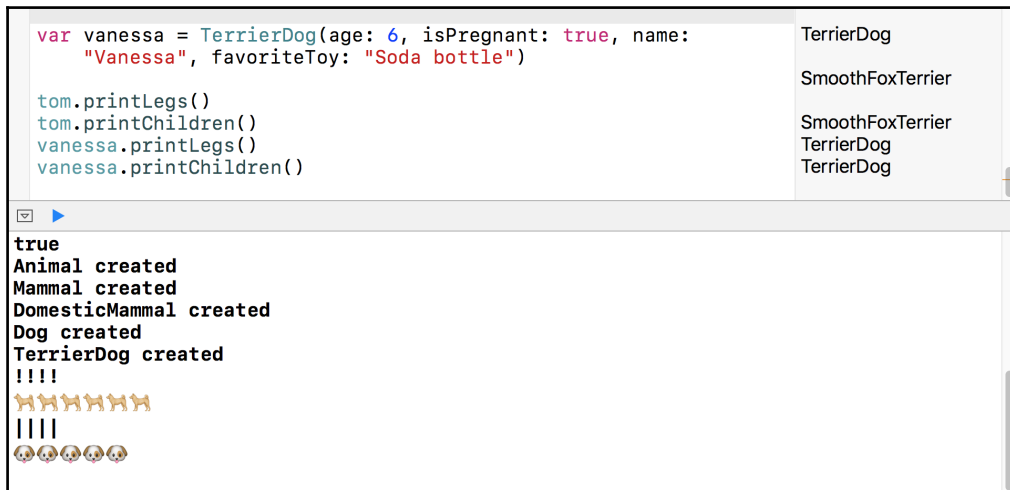
```
var vanessa = TerrierDog(age: 6, isPregnant: true, name: "Vanessa",
    favoriteToy: "Soda bottle")
```

The next lines call the `printLegs` and `printChildren` instance methods for `tom`, the instance of `SmoothFoxTerrier`, and `vanessa`, which is the instance of `TerrierDog`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_08` folder:

```
tom.printLegs()
tom.printChildren()
vanessa.printLegs()
vanessa.printChildren()
```

We coded these methods in the `Animal` class, and we didn't override them in any of its subclasses. Thus, when we call these methods for either `tom` or `vanessa`, Swift will execute the code defined in the `Animal` class. The `printLegs` method calls the `printALeg` type method for the type retrieved from the instance in which we will call it as many times as the value of the `numberOfLegs` type property. The `printChildren` method calls the `printAChild` type method for the type retrieved from the instance in which we will call it as many times as the value of the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property.

Both the `TerrierDog` and `SmoothFoxTerrier` classes overrode the `printALeg` and `printAChild` type methods, and the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property. Thus, our call to the same methods will produce different results. The following screenshot shows the output generated for `tom` and `vanessa`. Note that `tom` prints four exclamation marks (!) to represent its legs, while `vanessa` prints four pipes (|). Regarding children, `tom` prints six dog emoji icons, while `vanessa` prints four dog's face emoji icons. Both instances run the same code for the two type methods that we called. However, each class overrode type properties that provide different values and cause the differences in the output:



The following lines call the `bark` method for the instance named `tom` with a different number of arguments. This way, we take advantage of the `bark` method that we overloaded four times with different arguments. Remember that we coded the four `bark` methods in the `Dog` class and the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class inherits the overloaded methods from this superclass through its hierarchy tree:

```
tom.bark()
tom.bark(times: 2)
tom.bark(times: 2, otherDomesticMammal: vanessa)
tom.bark(times: 3, otherDomesticMammal: vanessa, isAngry: true)
```

The following lines show the results of calling the methods with different arguments:

```
Tom: Woof
Tom: Woof Woof
Tom to Vanessa: Woof Woof
Tom to Vanessa: Grr Woof Woof Woof
```

If we go back to the code that declared the `bark` method in the `Dog` class in the Playground, we will notice that the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class name is displayed on the right-hand side for each method that we used from the `Dog` class:



```
Find ⌘  Q bark  20 Done
open func printBark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal?, isAngry: Bool) {
    var bark = "\(name)"
    if let unwrappedOtherDomesticMammal = otherDomesticMammal {
        bark += " to \(unwrappedOtherDomesticMammal.name): "
    } else {
        bark += ": "
    }
    if isAngry {
        bark += "Grr "
    }
    for _ in 0 ..< times {
        bark += "Woof "
    }
    print(bark)
}
(4 times)
(2 times)
(2 times)
"Tom to Vanessa: Grr "
(8 times)
(4 times)

open func bark() {
    printBark(times: 1, otherDomesticMammal: nil, isAngry: false)
}
SmoothFoxTerrier

open func bark(times: Int) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal: nil, isAngry: false)
}
SmoothFoxTerrier

open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal: otherDomesticMammal, isAngry: false)
}
SmoothFoxTerrier

open func bark(times: Int, otherDomesticMammal: DomesticMammal, isAngry: Bool) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomesticMammal: otherDomesticMammal, isAngry: isAngry)
}
SmoothFoxTerrier

Tom: Woof
Tom: Woof Woof
Tom to Vanessa: Woof Woof
Tom to Vanessa: Grr Woof Woof Woof
```

The following lines show the code for the `Cat` class that inherits from `DomesticMammal`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
open class Cat: DomesticMammal {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
    open static override var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 6;
        }
    }
    private func initializeCat() {
        print("Cat created")
    }
    override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeCat()
    }
    override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
            favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeCat()
    }
    open func printMeow(times: Int) {
        var meow = "(name): "
        for _ in 0 ..< times {
            meow += "Meow "
        }
        print(meow)
    }
    open override func talk() {
        printMeow(times: 1)
    }
    open override class func printALeg() {
        print("*_*", terminator: String())
    }
}
```

```
open override class func printAChild() {
    // Print grinning cat face with smiling eyes emoji
    print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F638)!), terminator: String())
}
}
```

The `Cat` class overrides the `talk` method inherited from `DomesticMammal`. As it happened with the overridden properties in other subclasses, we just added the `override` keyword to the method declaration. The method doesn't invoke the method with the same name for its superclass, that is, we don't use the `super` keyword to invoke the `talk` method defined in `DomesticMammal`. The `talk` method in the `Cat` class invokes the `meow` method with 1 as the number of times. The `meow` method prints the representation of a cat meowing—that is, a `Meow` message—the number of times specified in its `times` argument. We will learn how to code this method with a functional programming approach in the forthcoming chapters. In this case, we use a simple `for` loop.

As it happened with other classes that we analyzed before, the class overrides the getter method for the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property. The class also overrides both the `printALeg` and `printAChild` type methods inherited from `Animal`. The `printALeg` method prints `*_*`, and the `printAChild` method prints a grinning cat face with smiling eyes emoji.

The following lines show the code for the `Bird` class that inherits from `Animal`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
open class Bird: Animal {
    open var feathersColor: String = String()
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 2;
        }
    }
    private func initializeBird(feathersColor: String) {
        self.feathersColor = feathersColor
        print("Bird created")
    }
    override init(age: Int) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeBird(feathersColor: "Undefined / Too many colors")
    }
}
```

```
    init(age: Int, feathersColor: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeBird(feathersColor: feathersColor)
    }
}
```

The `Bird` class inherits the members from the previously declared `Animal` class and adds a new `String` stored property initialized with the default empty string value. The class overrides the `numberOfLegs` type property to return 2 and disables any subclass's chance to override this type property again using the `static` keyword. Note that this class declares two initializers, as it happened with the `Mammal` class that also inherited from `Animal`. One of the initializers requires an `age` value to create an instance of the class, as it happened with the `Animal` initializer. The other initializer requires the `age` and `feathersColor` values. If we create an instance of this class with just one `age` argument, `Swift` will use the first initializer. If we create an instance of this class with two arguments, an `Int` value for `age` and a `String` value for `feathersColor`, `Swift` will use the second initializer. Again, we overloaded the initializer and provided two different initializers.

The two initializers use the `super` keyword to call the inherited `init` method from the base class or superclass, that is, the `init` method defined in the `Animal` class. Once the initialized code in the superclass finishes its execution, each initializer calls the `initializeBird` private method that initializes the `feathersColor` stored property with the value received as an argument or the default "Undefined / Too many colors" value in case it isn't specified.

The following lines show the code for the `DomesticBird` class that inherits from `Bird`. The preceding class simply adds a `name` stored property and allows the initializers to specify the desired name for the domestic bird. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
open class DomesticBird: Bird {
    open var name = String()
    private func initializeDomesticBird(name: String) {
        self.name = name
        print("DomesticBird created")
    }
    init(age: Int, name: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeDomesticBird(name: name)
    }
}
```

```
        init(age: Int, feathersColor: String, name: String) {
            super.init(age: age, feathersColor: feathersColor)
            initializeDomesticBird(name: name)
        }
    }
```

The following lines show the code for the `DomesticCanary` class that inherits from `DomesticBird`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
open class DomesticCanary: DomesticBird {
    open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 5;
        }
    }
    private func initializeDomesticCanary() {
        print("DomesticCanary created")
    }
    override init(age: Int, name: String) {
        super.init(age: age, name: name)
        initializeDomesticCanary()
    }
    override init(age: Int, feathersColor: String, name: String) {
        super.init(age: age, feathersColor: feathersColor, name: name)
        initializeDomesticCanary()
    }
    open override class func printALeg() {
        print("^", terminator: String())
    }
    open override class func printAChild() {
        // Print bird emoji
        print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F426)!), terminator: String())
    }
}
```

The class overrides the two initializers declared in the superclass to display a message whenever we create an instance of the `DomesticCanary` class. In addition, the class overrides the `averageNumberOfChildren` type property and the `printALeg` and `printAChild` methods.

After we declare the new classes, we will create the following two functions outside any class declaration that receives an `Animal` instance as an argument, that is, an `Animal` instance or an instance of any subclass of `Animal`. Each function calls a different instance method defined in the `Animal` class: `printChildren` and `printLegs`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
public func printChildren(animal: Animal) {
    animal.printChildren()
}
public func printLegs(animal: Animal) {
    animal.printLegs()
}
```

Then, the following lines create instances of the next classes, which are `TerrierDog`, `Cat`, and `DomesticCanary`. Then, the lines call the `printChildren` and `printLegs` functions with the previously created instances as arguments. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_09` folder:

```
var pluto = TerrierDog(age: 7, name: "Pluto",
    favoriteToy: "Teddy bear")
var marie = Cat(age: 4, isPregnant: true, name: "Marie",
    favoriteToy: "Tennis ball")
var tweety = DomesticCanary(age: 2, feathersColor: "Yellow",
    name: "Tweety")

print("Meet their children")
print(pluto.name)
printChildren(animal: pluto)
print(marie.name)
printChildren(animal: marie)
print(tweety.name)
printChildren(animal: tweety)

print("Look at their legs")
print(pluto.name)
printLegs(animal: pluto)
print(marie.name)
printLegs(animal: marie)
print(tweety.name)
printLegs(animal: tweety)
```



The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground. The three instances become an `Animal` argument for the different methods. However, the values used for the properties aren't those declared in the `Animal` class. The call to the `printChildren` and `printLegs` methods take into account all the overridden members because each instance is an instance of a subclass of `Animal`:



Both the functions can only access the members defined in the `Animal` class for the instances that they receive as arguments because their type within the function is `Animal`. We can unwrap `TerrierDog`, `Cat`, and `DomesticCanary` that are received in the `animal` argument if necessary. However, we will work with these scenarios later as we cover more advanced topics.

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| <pre>var pluto = TerrierDog(age: 7, name: "Pluto", favoriteToy: "Teddy bear") var marie = Cat(age: 4, isPregnant: true, name: "Marie", favoriteToy: "Tennis ball") var tweety = DomesticCanary(age: 2, feathersColor: "Yellow", name: "Tweety")  print("Meet their children") print(pluto.name) printChildren(animal: pluto) print(marie.name) printChildren(animal: marie) print(tweety.name) printChildren(animal: tweety)  print("Look at their legs") print(pluto.name) printLegs(animal: pluto) print(marie.name) printLegs(animal: marie) print(tweety.name) printLegs(animal: tweety)</pre> | <pre>TerrierDog Cat DomesticCanary  "Meet their children\n" "Pluto\n"  "Marie\n"  "Tweety\n"  "Look at their legs\n" "Pluto\n"  "Marie\n"  "Tweety\n"</pre> |
| <p>Meet their children</p> <p><b>Pluto</b><br/>🐶🐶🐶🐶🐶</p> <p><b>Marie</b><br/>🐱🐱🐱🐱🐱</p> <p><b>Tweety</b><br/>🐦🐦🐦🐦</p> <p>Look at their legs</p> <p><b>Pluto</b><br/>    </p> <p><b>Marie</b><br/>*_**_**_**_*</p> <p><b>Tweety</b><br/>^^</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                             |

Now, we will create another function outside any class declaration that receives a `DomesticMammal` instance as an argument, that is, a `DomesticMammal` instance or an instance of any subclass of `DomesticMammal`. The following function calls the `talk` instance method defined in the `DomesticMammal` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_10` folder:

```
public func forceToTalk(domesticMammal: DomesticMammal) {
    domesticMammal.talk()
}
```

Then, the following few lines call the `forceToTalk` function with the `TerrierDog` and `Cat` instances as arguments: `pluto` and `marie`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_10` folder:

```
forceToTalk(domesticMammal: pluto)
forceToTalk(domesticMammal: marie)
```

The call to the same method for a `DomesticMammal` instance received as an argument produces different results because dogs bark and cats meow. However, both are domestic mammals, and they produce specific sounds instead of talking. We defined the representation of the sounds they produce in the `Dog` and `Cat` classes. The following lines show the results of the two function calls:

```
Pluto: Woof
Marie: Meow
```

## Taking advantage of operator overloading

Swift allows us to redefine specific operators to work in a different way, based on the classes to which we apply them. For example, we can make comparison operators, such as less than (`<`) and greater than (`>`), and return the results of comparing the `age` value when they are applied to instances of `Dog`.



The redefinition of operators to work in a specific way when applied to instances of specific classes is known as operator overloading. Swift allows us to overload operators through the usage of operator functions.

An operator that works in one way when applied to an instance of a class might work differently on instances of another class. We can also redefine the overloaded operators to work on specific subclasses. For example, we can make the comparison operators work in a different way in a superclass and its subclass.

We want to be able to compare the age of the different `Animal` instances using the following binary operators in Swift:

- Less than (`<`)
- Less than or equal to (`<=`)
- Greater than (`>`)
- Greater than or equal to (`>=`)

We can overload operators in Swift to achieve our goals by declaring operator functions with function names that match the operators to be overloaded and receive `Animal` instances as arguments. In this case, the four operators are binary operators; therefore, all the operator functions receive two input parameters of the `Animal` type and return a `Bool` value. Swift invokes these functions under the hood whenever we use the operators to compare instances of `Animal`. We have to declare operator functions with the following names and specify two `Animal` arguments:

- `<`: This is invoked when we use the less than (`<`) operator
- `<=`: This is invoked when we use the less than or equal to (`<=`) operator
- `>`: This is invoked when we use the greater than (`>`) operator
- `>=`: This is invoked when we use the greater than or equal to (`>=`) operator

All the operator functions have the same declaration. Swift passes the instance specified on the left-hand side of the operator as the first argument, usually named `left`, and the instance on the right-hand side of the operator as the second argument, which is usually named `right`. Thus, we have `left` and `right` as the arguments for the operator functions, and we must return a `Bool` value with the result of the application of the operator, in our case, with the result of the comparison operator applied to the `age` property of each instance.

Let's consider that we have two instances of `Animal`, or any of its subclasses, named `animal1` and `animal2`. If we enter `print(animal1 < animal2)` in the Playground, Swift will invoke the `<` operator function with `left` equal to `animal1` and `right` equal to `animal2`. Thus, we must return a `Bool` value indicating whether `left.age < right.age` is equivalent to `animal1.age < animal2.age`.

We must add the following lines to make it possible to compare the age of any animal using the previously specified comparison operators. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_11` folder:

```
public func < (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age < right.age
}

public func <= (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age <= right.age
}

public func > (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age > right.age
}

public func >= (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age >= right.age
}
```

The following lines use the four operators that will work with the `Animal` class and its subclasses: greater than (`>`), less than (`<`), greater than or equal to (`>=`), and less than or equal to (`<=`). Remember that we created operator functions that Swift invokes under the hood whenever we use the operators. In this case, we will apply the operators on instances of `TerrierDog` and `Cat`. The operators return the results of comparing the `age` value of the different instances. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_11` folder:

```
print(pluto > marie)
print(pluto < marie)
print(pluto >= marie)
print(pluto <= marie)
```

The following screenshot shows the four operator functions and the results of their execution in the Playground when we use the operators in instances of `TerrierDog` and `Cat`:

```
public func < (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age < right.age
}
false

public func <= (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age <= right.age
}
false

public func > (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age > right.age
}
true

public func >= (left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return left.age >= right.age
}
true

print(pluto > marie)
print(pluto < marie)
print(pluto >= marie)
print(pluto <= marie)
```

true  
false  
true  
false

## Declaring compound assignment operator functions

We also want to be able to increase the value of the `age` property of the different `Animal` instances by using the addition assignment operator (`+=`). This operator is one of the compound assignment operators that Swift provides and it combines assignment (`=`) with the addition operator (`+`).



Swift 3 removed both the pre-increment, post-increment, pre-decrement, and post-decrement operators. In other words, we cannot use `++` and `--` in Swift 3. We might define a prefix increment and a postfix increment to increase the value of the `age` property, but it doesn't make sense to define an operator that Swift 3 has removed. Instead, we will use the addition assignment operator.

We have to declare an operator function with `+=` as its name, specify the `Animal` type for the `left` argument, and specify the `Int` type for the `right` argument. Thus, we have `left` and `right` as the arguments for the operator function. In this case, the function doesn't return a value and only uses the `+=` operator to the `age` property for the `Animal` instance received in the `left` argument.

Let's consider that we have an instance of `Animal`, or any of its subclasses, named `animal1`. If we enter `animal1 += 2` in the Playground, Swift will invoke the `+=` operator function with `left` equal to `animal1` and `right` equal to `2`.

We must add the following lines to make it possible to use the addition assignment operator to add an `Int` value to the value of the `age` property of an `Animal` instance. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_12` folder:

```
public func += (left: Animal, right: Int) {
    left.age += right
}
```

The following lines print the age for `pluto`—an instance of `TerrierDog`—and then apply the `+=` operator and print the new age. Remember that we created an operator function that Swift invokes under the hood whenever we use the operator with an `Animal` instance on the left and an `Int` on the right. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_12` folder:

```
pluto.printAge()
pluto += 2
pluto.printAge()
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
I am 7 years old.
I am 9 years old.
```

## Declaring unary operator functions

As previously explained, Swift 3 removed the prefix increment and postfix increment operators. However, imagine that many members of our team have experience with other programming languages that provide these operators and they want to use them to increase the value of the `age` property of the different `Animal` instances. We can declare the following unary operators to simplify their lives while coding:

- **Prefix increment** (`++`): We will use the operator before the variable to which it is applied (for example, `++pluto`)
- **Postfix increment** (`++`): We will use the operator after the variable to which it is applied (for example, `pluto++`)

In this case, both the operators use exactly the same characters; therefore, we must use either the `prefix` or `postfix` keywords in each operator's function declaration.

We have to declare operator functions with the following names and specify a single `Animal` argument:

- `prefix ++`: This is invoked when we use the prefix increment (`++`) operator
- `postfix ++`: This is invoked when we use the postfix increment (`++`) operator

All the operator functions have the same declaration. For the prefix operator, Swift passes the instance specified on the right-hand side of the operator as the argument. For the postfix operator, Swift passes the instance specified on the left-hand side of the operator as the argument. Let's consider that we have two instances of `Animal`, or any of its subclasses, named `animal1` and `animal2`. If we enter `++animal1` in the Playground, Swift will invoke the `prefix ++` operator function with the single argument equal to `animal1`. If we enter `animal2++` in the Playground, Swift will invoke the `postfix ++` operator function with the single argument equal to `animal2`.

We must add the following lines to make it possible to use prefix and postfix ++ operators to increase the age of any animal. Each function uses the += operator to increase the age and assign the result of the operation to the age property. The code file for the sample is included in the swift\_3\_oop\_chapter\_04\_13 folder:

```
public prefix func ++ (animal: Animal) {
    animal.age += 1
}

public postfix func ++ (animal: Animal) {
    animal.age += 1
}
```

The following lines print the age for `marie`—an instance of `Cat`—and then apply the prefix ++ operator, print the new age, apply the postfix ++ operator, and print the new age. Remember that we created operator functions that Swift invokes under the hood whenever we use these operators. The code file for the sample is included in the swift\_3\_oop\_chapter\_04\_13 folder:

```
marie.printAge()
marie++
marie.printAge()
++marie
marie.printAge()
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
I am 4 years old.
I am 5 years old.
I am 6 years old.
```

## Declaring operator functions for specific subclasses

We already declared an operator function that allows any instance of `Animal` or its subclasses to use the postfix increment (++) operator. However, sometimes we want to specify a different behavior for one of the subclasses and its subclasses.



For example, we might want to express the age of dogs in the `age` value that is equivalent to humans. We can declare an operator function for the postfix increment (`++`) operator that receives a `Dog` instance as an argument and increments the age value 7 years instead of just one. The following lines show the code that achieves this goal. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_14` folder:

```
public postfix func ++ (dog: Dog) {
    dog.age += 7
}
```

The following lines create an instance of the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class named `goofy`, print the age for `goofy`, apply the postfix `++` operator, and print the new age. Because `SmoothFoxTerrier` is a subclass of `Dog`, Swift invokes the operator function that receives a `Dog` instance instead of invoking the one that receives an `Animal` instance as an argument. As a result of this, the operator function adds 7 to the age value instead of 1. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_14` folder:

```
var goofy = SmoothFoxTerrier(age: 7, name: "Goofy",
    favoriteToy: "Scarf")
goofy.printAge()
goofy++
goofy.printAge()
```

Then, the following lines create an instance of the `Cat` class named `garfield`, print the age, apply the postfix `++` operator, and print the new age. In this case, `garfield` is a `Cat` instance, and `Cat` isn't a subclass of `Dog`. For this reason, Swift invokes the operator function that receives an `Animal` instance as an argument. Thus, the operator function just adds 1 to the age value. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_04_15` folder:

```
var garfield = Cat(age: 5, name: "Garfield",
    favoriteToy: "Lassagna")
garfield.printAge()
garfield++
garfield.printAge()
```

The following lines show the results of the previous lines:

```
Animal created
Mammal created
DomesticMammal created
Dog created
TerrierDog created
SmoothFoxTerrier created
I am 7 years old.
I am 14 years old.
Animal created
Mammal created
DomesticMammal created
Cat created
I am 5 years old.
I am 6 years old.
```

## Exercises

Create operator functions to allow us to determine whether two `DomesticMammal` instances are equal or not with the `==` and `!=` operators. We will consider the instances to be equal when their `age`, `name`, and `favoriteToy` properties have the same value.

Create the following three new subclasses of the `TerrierDog` class:

- `AiredaleTerrier`: This is an Airedale Terrier breed
- `BullTerrier`: This is a Bull Terrier breed
- `CairnTerrier`: This is a Cairn Terrier breed

Add the necessary code in these classes to print the text that represents the children in a different way than we did for the `SmoothFoxTerrier` class. Test the results by creating an instance of each of these classes and calling the `printChildren` method.

## Test your knowledge

1. When you use the `static var` keywords to declare a type property:
  1. You cannot override the type property in the subclasses.
  2. You can override the type property in the subclasses.
  3. You can override the type property only in the superclass.
2. When you use the `class var` keywords to declare a type property:
  1. You cannot override the type property in the subclasses.
  2. You can override the type property in the subclasses.
  3. You can override the type property only in the superclass.
3. When you use the `final` keyword to declare an instance method:
  1. You cannot override the instance method in the subclasses.
  2. You can override the instance method in the subclasses.
  3. You can override the instance method only once, that is, in just one subclass.
4. Polymorphism means:
  1. We can call the same method—that is, the same name and arguments—in instances of classes that aren't included in the same hierarchy tree.
  2. We can use the same method—that is, the same name and arguments—to cause different things to happen according to the class on which we invoke the method.
  3. We must declare the same method—that is, the same name and arguments—to enable a class to become a subclass of its superclass.
5. We can redefine specific operators by declaring:
  1. A type method with a name that matches the operator symbols in the appropriate class.
  2. An instance method with a name that matches the operator symbols in the appropriate class.
  3. An operator function with a name that matches the operator symbols.
6. If the value for `animal.age` is 5, which of the following lines increases the value of `animal.age` to 6 in Swift 3:
  1. `animal.age++`
  2. `++animal.age`
  3. `animal.age += 1`

7. Methods that use the `public` access level:
  1. Are accessible but not overridable outside of the defining module.
  2. Are accessible and overridable outside of the defining module.
  3. Are neither accessible nor overridable outside of the defining module.
8. Methods that use the `open` access level:
  1. Are accessible but not overridable outside the defining module.
  2. Are accessible and overridable outside the defining module.
  3. Are neither accessible nor overridable outside the defining module.

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned how to take advantage of simple inheritance to specialize a base class. We designed many classes from top to bottom using chained initializers, type properties, computed properties, stored properties, and methods. Then, we coded most of these classes in the interactive Playground, taking advantage of the different mechanisms provided by Swift.

We took advantage of operator functions to overload operators that we could use with the instances of our classes. In addition, we declared operator functions to create our own operators. We overrode and overloaded initializers, type properties, and methods. We took advantage of one of the most exciting object-oriented features: polymorphism.

Now that you have learned to work with inheritance, abstraction, and specialization, we are ready to work with protocols, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 5

## Contract Programming with Protocols

In this chapter, we will work with more complex scenarios in which we will have to use instances that belong to more than one blueprint. We will use contract programming by taking advantage of protocols.

We will work with examples on how to define protocols and their different kinds of requirements, and then on how to declare classes that adopt the protocols. We will use multiple inheritance of protocols and many useful ways of taking advantage of this object-oriented concept, also known as interfaces in other programming languages such as Java and C#.

### **Understanding how protocols work in combination with classes**

We have to work with two different types of characters: comic and game characters. A comic character has a nickname and must be able to draw speech balloons and thought balloons. The speech balloon might have another comic character as a destination.

A game character has a full name and must be able to perform the following tasks:

- Draw itself at a specific 2D position indicated by the  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates
- Move itself to a specific 2D position indicated by the  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates
- Check whether it intersects with another game character

We will work with objects that can be both a comic character and a game character. However, we will also work with objects that will just be either a comic or game character. Neither the game character nor the comic character has a generic way of performing the previously described tasks. Thus, each object that declares itself as a comic character must define the tasks related to speech and thought balloons. Each object that declares itself as a game character must define how to draw itself, move, and check whether it intersects with another game character.

An angry dog, also known as grumpy dog, is a comic character that has a specific way of drawing speech and thought balloons. An angry cat is both a comic and game character, so it defines all the tasks required by both character types.

The angry cat, also known as grumpy cat, is a very versatile character, and it can use different costumes to participate in either games or comics with different names. An angry cat can also be an alien, a wizard, or a knight:

- An alien has a specific number of eyes and must be able to appear and disappear.
- A wizard has a spell power score and can make an alien disappear.
- A knight has sword power and weight values, and can unsheathe his sword. A common task for the knight is to unsheathe his sword and point it at an alien as a target.

We need base blueprints to represent a comic character and a game character. Then, each class that represents any of these types of characters can provide its implementation of the methods. In this case, comic and game characters are very different, and they don't perform similar tasks that might lead to confusion and problems for multiple inheritance. Thus, we can use multiple inheritance to create an angry cat class that implements both comic and game character blueprints. In some cases, multiple inheritance is not convenient because similar blueprints might have methods with the same names, and it can therefore be extremely confusing to use multiple inheritance.

In addition, we can use multiple inheritance to combine the angry cat class with alien, wizard, and knight. This way, we will have an angry cat alien, an angry cat wizard, and an angry cat knight. We will be able to use any of them, the angry cat alien, angry cat wizard, or angry cat knight, as either a comic or game character.

Our goals are simple, but we face a little problem: Swift doesn't support the multiple inheritance of classes. Instead, we can use multiple inheritance with protocols or combine protocols with classes. So, we will use protocols and classes to fulfill our previous requirements.

You can think of a *protocol* as a special case of an abstract class that defines the initializers, properties, and methods that a class must implement to be considered a member of the group identified with the protocol name.



If you have worked with other programming languages, such as Java and C#, you can think of protocols as the Swift version of interfaces.

For example, we can create an `Alien` protocol that specifies the following elements:

- A `numberOfEyes` property
- A parameterless method named `appear`
- A parameterless method named `disappear`

Once we define a protocol, we create a new type; therefore, we can use it to specify the required type for an argument. This way, instead of using classes as types, we will use protocols as types, and we can use an instance of any class that conforms to the specific protocol as an argument. For example, if we use `Alien` as the required type for an argument, we can pass an instance of any class that conforms to the `Alien` protocol as an argument.

However, you must take into account some limitations of protocols when compared with classes. Protocols cannot specify accessibility modifiers to any member. Protocols can declare requirements for the following members:

- Properties
- Methods
- Mutating methods
- Initializers
- Failable initializers

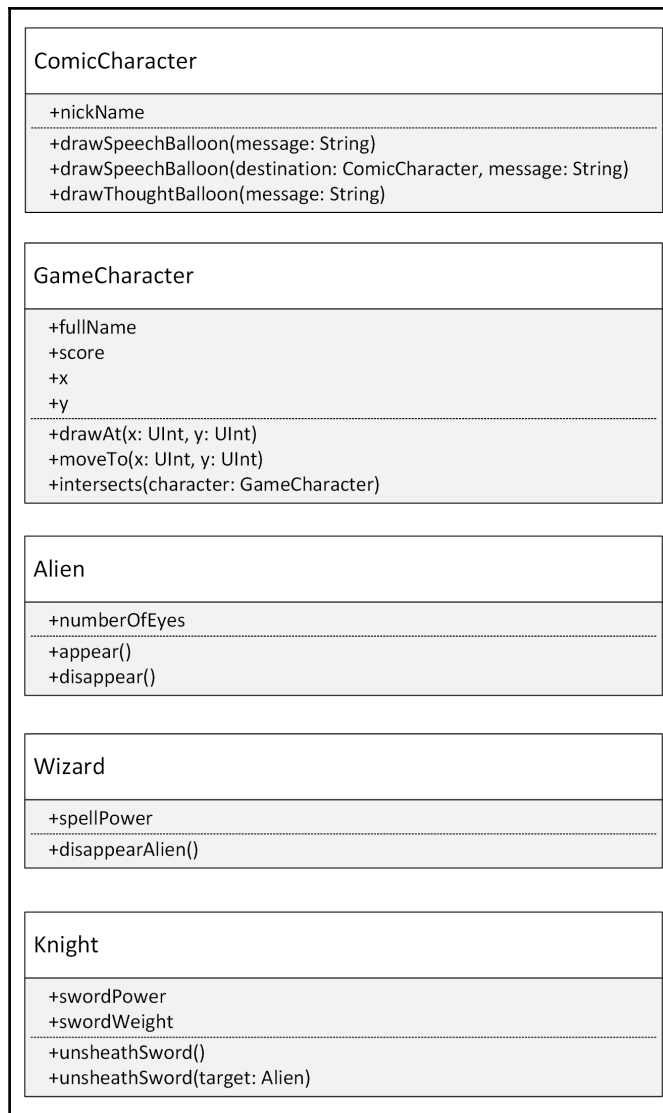
## Declaring protocols

Now, it is time to code the protocols in Swift. We will code the following five protocols:

- `ComicCharacter`
- `GameCharacter`
- `Alien`
- `Wizard`
- `Knight`

The following UML diagram shows the five protocols that we will code in Swift, with their required properties and methods included in the diagram. In this case, the diagram shows only protocols and we don't use any mark above the protocol name. However, in other diagrams in which we will mix protocols with classes, we will add *protocol* after the protocol name. UML diagrams have specifications for interfaces, but we will use our own mechanism to identify protocols:





The following lines show the code for the `ComicCharacter` protocol. The `public` modifier followed by the `protocol` keyword and the protocol name, `ComicCharacter`, makes up the protocol declaration. As happens with class declarations, the protocol body is enclosed in curly brackets (`{}`). The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_01` folder:

```
public protocol ComicCharacter {
    var nickName: String { get set }

    func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)
    func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
        message: String)
    func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)
}
```



In Swift 3, only classes and overridable class members can be declared with the `open` access modifier; therefore, we use the `public` access modifier for the protocols that we want to be accessed outside of the module that defines them.

Protocols declare a `nickName` read/write `String` stored property requirement, a `drawSpeechBalloon` method requirement, overloaded twice, and a `drawThoughtBalloon` method requirement. The protocol includes only the method declaration because the classes that implement the `ComicCharacter` protocol will be responsible for providing the implementation of the two overloads of the `drawSpeechBalloon` and `drawThoughtBalloon` methods. Note that there is no method body.

The following lines show the code for the `GameCharacter` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_01` folder:

```
public protocol GameCharacter {
    var fullName: String { get set }
    var score: UInt { get set }
    var x: UInt { get set }
    var y: UInt { get set }

    func drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt)
    func moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt)
    func intersects(character: GameCharacter) -> Bool
}
```

In this case, the protocol declaration includes four read/write stored property requirements: `fullName`, `score`, `x`, and `y`. In addition, the declaration includes three method requirements: `drawAt`, `moveTo`, and `intersects`. Note that we don't include access modifiers in either the properties or the methods.



We cannot add either access modifiers or observers to the different members of a protocol.

The following lines show the code for the `Alien` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_01` folder:

```
public protocol Alien {
    var numberOfEyes: Int { get set }
    func appear()
    func disappear()
}
```

In this case, the protocol declaration includes a property requirement, `numberOfEyes`, and two method requirements: `appear` and `disappear`. Note that we don't include the code for either the getter or the setter method of the `numberOfEyes` property. As happens with methods, the classes that implement the `Alien` protocol are responsible for providing the implementation of the getter and setter methods for the `numberOfEyes` property. We will create classes that implement the `Alien` protocol later in this chapter.

The following lines show the code for the `Wizard` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_01` folder:

```
public protocol Wizard {
    var spellPower: Int { get set }
    func disappear(alien: Alien)
}
```

In this case, the protocol declaration includes a property requirement, `spellPower`, and a method requirement, `disappear`. As with the other method requirement declarations included in the previously declared protocols, we use the protocol name as a type of an argument within a method requirement declaration. In this case, the `alien` argument for the `disappear` method requirement declaration is `Alien`. Thus, we will be able to call the method with any class that conforms to the `Alien` protocol.

The following lines show the code for the `Knight` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_01` folder:

```
public protocol Knight {
    var swordPower: Int { get set }
    var swordWeight: Int { get set }
    func unsheathSword()
    func unsheathSword(target: Alien)
}
```

In this case, the protocol declaration includes two property requirements, `swordPower` and `swordWeight`, and an `unsheathSword` method requirement, overloaded twice.

## Declaring classes that adopt protocols

Now, we will declare a class that specifies that it conforms to the `ComicCharacter` protocol in its declaration in the Playground. Instead of specifying a superclass, the class declaration includes the name of the previously declared `ComicCharacter` protocol after the class name (`AngryDog`) and the colon (`:`). We can read the class declaration as “the `AngryDog` class conforms to the `ComicCharacter` protocol.”

However, the class doesn't implement any of the required properties and methods specified in the protocol, so it doesn't really conform to the `ComicCharacter` protocol, as shown in the following code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_02` folder:

```
open class AngryDog: ComicCharacter {  
  
}
```

The Playground execution will fail because the `AngryDog` class doesn't conform to the `ComicCharacter` protocol, so the Swift compiler generates the following errors and notes. We will see similar error messages in the Swift REPL and in the Swift Sandbox:

```
error: type 'AngryDog' does not conform to protocol 'ComicCharacter'  
public class AngryDog: ComicCharacter {  
    ^  
  
note: protocol requires property 'nickName' with type 'String'; do you want  
to add a stub?  
    var nickName: String { get set }  
    ^  
  
note: protocol requires function 'drawSpeechBalloon(message:)' with type  
'(String) -> ()'; do you want to add a stub?  
func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)  
    ^  
  
note: protocol requires function 'drawSpeechBalloon(destination:message:)'  
with type '(ComicCharacter, String) -> ()'; do you want to add a stub?  
func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter, message: String)  
    ^  
  
note: protocol requires function 'drawThoughtBalloon(message:)' with type  
'(String) -> ()'; do you want to add a stub?  
func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)  
    ^
```

Now, we will replace the previous declaration of the empty `AngryDog` class with a class that tries to conform to the `ComicCharacter` protocol, but it still doesn't achieve its goal. The following lines show the new code for the `AngryDog` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_03` folder:

```
open class AngryDog: ComicCharacter {
    var nickName: String = String()
    func speak(message: String) {
        print("\(nickName) -> \(message)")
    }
    func think(message: String) {
        print("\(nickName) -> ***\(message)***")
    }

    func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String) {
        speak(message: message);
    }
    func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
        message: String) {
        speak(message: "\(destination.nickName), \(message)")
    }
    func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String) {
        think(message: message)
    }

    init (nickName: String) {
        self.nickName = nickName
    }
}
```

The Playground execution will fail because the `AngryDog` class doesn't conform to the `ComicCharacter` protocol; therefore, the Swift compiler generates the following errors and notes:

```
error: property 'nickName' must be declared public because it matches a requirement in public protocol 'ComicCharacter'
var nickName: String = String()
    ^
public
error: method 'drawSpeechBalloon(message:)' must be declared public because it matches a requirement in public protocol 'ComicCharacter'
func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String) {
    ^
public
```

```
error: method 'drawSpeechBalloon(destination:message:)' must be declared
public because it matches a requirement in public protocol 'ComicCharacter'
func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter, message: String) {
  ^
public
error: method 'drawThoughtBalloon(message:)' must be declared public
because it matches a requirement in public protocol 'ComicCharacter'
func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String) {
  ^
public
```

The public `ComicCharacter` protocol specifies property and method requirements. Thus, when we declare a class that doesn't declare the required properties and methods at least as `public`, the Swift compiler generates errors and indicates that they have to be declared at least as `public` to match the protocol requirements. We can declare the required properties and methods with the `open` access modifier because members declared as `open` have the same accessibility level as members declared as `public` and add the chance to be overridden. Think about `open` as a superset of `public`.



Whenever we declare a class that specifies that it conforms to a protocol, it must fulfill all the requirements specified in the protocol. If it doesn't, the Swift compiler will throw errors indicating which requirements aren't fulfilled, like what happened in the previous example. When we work with protocols, the Swift compiler makes sure that the requirements specified in protocols are honored in any class that conforms to them. Hence, when we modify a protocol, the Swift compiler needs to recompile the classes that conform to this protocol.

Finally, we will replace the previous declaration of the `AngryDog` class with a class that really conforms to the `ComicCharacter` protocol. The following lines show the new code for the `AngryDog` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_04` folder:

```
open class AngryDog: ComicCharacter {
  open var nickname: String = String()
  fileprivate func speak(message: String) {
    print("\(nickname) -> "\(message)")
  }
  fileprivate func think(message: String) {
    print("\(nickname) -> ***\(message)***")
  }
  open func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String) {
    speak(message: message);
  }
}
```

```
open func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
message: String) {
    speak(message: "\(destination.nickName), \(message)")
}
open func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String) {
    think(message: message)
}
init (nickName: String) {
    self.nickName = nickName
}
}
```

The `AngryDog` class declares an initializer that assigns the value of the required `nickName` argument to the `nickName` stored property. In this case, the `ComicCharacter` protocol doesn't include any initializer requirement, so the `AngryDog` class can specify any desired initializer without restrictions.

The class declares the code for the two versions of the `drawSpeechBalloon` method. Both methods call the private `speak` method that prints a message with a specific format that includes the `nickName` value as a prefix. In addition, the class declares the code for the `drawThoughtBalloon` method, which invokes the private `think` method, which also prints a message including the `nickName` value as a prefix.

The `AngryDog` class implements the property and methods declared in the `ComicCharacter` protocol. However, the class also declares two `fileprivate` members, specifically, two `fileprivate` methods. We will be able to access these two methods only in its own defining source file.



As long as we implement all the members declared in the protocol or protocols listed in the class declaration, we can add any desired additional member to the class.

Now, we will declare another class that implements the same protocol that the `AngryDog` class implemented, that is, the `ComicCharacter` protocol. The following lines show the code for the `AngryCat` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_04` folder:

```
open class AngryCat: ComicCharacter {
    open var nickName: String = String()
    open var age: UInt = 0
    open func drawSpeechBalloon(message: String) {
```

```
        if (age > 5) {
            print("\(nickName) -> "Meow \(message)")
        } else {
            print("\(nickName) -> "Meeeoow Meeeoow \(message)")
        }
    }
    open func drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
                               message: String)
    {
        print("\(destination.nickName) === \(nickName) --->
              "\message)")
    }
    open func drawThoughtBalloon(message: String) {
        print("\(nickName) thinks: \(message)")
    }
    init (nickName: String, age: UInt) {
        self.nickName = nickName
        self.age = age
    }
}
```

The `AngryCat` class declares an initializer that assigns the value of the required `nickName` and `age` arguments to the `nickName` and `age` stored properties. The class declares the code for the two versions of the `drawSpeechBalloon` method. The version that requires only a `message` argument uses the value of the `age` property to generate a different message when the `age` value is greater than 5. In addition, the class declares the code for the `drawThoughtBalloon` method.

The `AngryCat` class implements the property and method requirements declared in the `ComicCharacter` protocol. However, the class also declares an additional property that isn't required by the protocol: `age`.

If we remove the `open` keyword in the line that declares the `nickName` stored property within the `AngryCat` class, the class won't implement all the required members of the `ComicCharacter` protocol, at least as public members; therefore, it won't conform to the protocol anymore. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_05` folder:

```
var nickName: String = String()
```



The Playground execution will fail because the `AngryCat` class doesn't conform to the `ComicCharacter` protocol anymore, so the Swift compiler generates the following error:

```
error: property 'nickName' must be declared public because it matches a
requirement in public protocol 'ComicCharacter'
var nickName: String = String()
  ^
public
```

Thus, the compiler forces us to implement all the members of a protocol in all the classes that we indicate as conforming to a protocol. If we add the `open` keyword again to the line that declares the `nickName` property, we will be able to execute the code in the Playground without compiler errors. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_06` folder:

```
open var nickName: String = String()
```



Protocols in Swift allow us to make sure that the classes that implement them define all the members specified in the protocol. If they don't, the code won't compile.

In this case, the `ComicCharacter` protocol didn't specify any initializer requirements, so each class that conforms to the protocol can define its initializer without any constraint. `AngryDog` and `AngryCat` declare initializers with a different number of arguments.

## Taking advantage of the multiple inheritance of protocols

Swift doesn't allow us to declare a class with multiple base classes or superclasses, so there is no support for multiple inheritance of classes. A subclass can inherit just from one class. However, a class can conform to one or more protocols. In addition, we can declare classes that inherit from a superclass and conform to one or more protocols. Thus, we can combine class-based inheritance with protocols.

We want the `AngryCat` class to conform to both the `ComicCharacter` and `GameCharacter` protocols. Thus, we want to use any `AngryCat` instance as both a comic character and a game character. In order to do so, we must change the class declaration and add the `GameCharacter` protocol to the list of protocols that the class conforms to and declare all the members included in this added protocol within the class.

The following lines show the new class declaration that specifies that the `AngryCat` class conforms to both the `ComicCharacter` and `GameCharacter` protocols. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_07` folder:

```
open class AngryCat: ComicCharacter, GameCharacter {
```

After changing the class declaration, the Playground execution will fail because the `AngryCat` class doesn't implement the members required by the `GameCharacter` protocol. The Swift compiler generates the following errors and notes:

```
error: type 'AngryCat' does not conform to protocol 'GameCharacter'
open class AngryCat: ComicCharacter, GameCharacter {
    ^
note: protocol requires property 'fullName' with type 'String'; do you want
to add a stub?
var fullName: String { get set }
    ^
note: protocol requires property 'score' with type 'UInt'; do you want to
add a stub?
var score: UInt { get set }
    ^
note: protocol requires property 'x' with type 'UInt'; do you want to add a
stub?
var x: UInt { get set }
    ^
note: protocol requires property 'y' with type 'UInt'; do you want to add a
stub?
var y: UInt { get set }
    ^
note: protocol requires function 'drawAt(x:y:)' with type '(UInt, UInt) ->
()'; do you want to add a stub?
func drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt)
    ^
note: protocol requires function 'moveTo(x:y:)' with type '(UInt, UInt) ->
()'; do you want to add a stub?
func moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt)
    ^
note: protocol requires function 'intersects(character:)' with type
'(GameCharacter) -> Bool'; do you want to add a stub?
func intersects(character: GameCharacter) -> Bool
    ^
```

We have to add the following lines to the body of the `AngryCat` class to implement the stored properties specified in the `GameCharacter` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_08` folder:

```
open var score: UInt = 0
open var fullName: String = String()
open var x: UInt = 0
open var y: UInt = 0
```

In addition, we have to add the following lines to the body of the `AngryCat` class to implement the methods specified in the `GameCharacter` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_08` folder:

```
open func drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt) {
    self.x = x
    self.y = y
    print("Drawing AngryCat \(fullName) at x: \(x), y: \(y)")
}

open func moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt) {
    self.x = y
    self.y = y
    print("Moving AngryCat \(fullName) to x: \(x), y: \(y)")
}

open func intersects(character: GameCharacter) -> Bool {
    return ((x == character.x) && (y == character.y))
}
```

Now, the `AngryCat` class declares the code for the three methods required to conform to the `GameCharacter` protocol: `draw`, `move`, and `intersects`. The code declares the three methods with the `open` access modifier. Finally, it is necessary to replace the previous initializer with a new one, which requires additional arguments and sets the initial values of the recently added stored properties. The following lines show the code for the new initializer. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_08` folder:

```
init (nickName: String, age: UInt, fullName: String, initialScore:
UInt, x: UInt, y: UInt) {
    self.nickName = nickName
    self.age = age
    self.fullName = fullName
    self.score = initialScore
    self.x = x
    self.y = y
}
```

The new initializer assigns the value of the additional required `fullName`, `initialScore`, `x`, and `y` arguments to the `fullName`, `score`, `x`, and `y` properties. Thus, we will need to specify these additional arguments whenever we want to create an instance of the `AngryCat` class.

## Combining inheritance and protocols

We can combine class inheritance with protocol conformance. The following lines show the code for a new `AngryCatAlien` class that inherits from the `AngryCat` class and conforms to the `Alien` protocol. Note that the class declaration includes the superclass (`AngryCat`) and the implemented protocol (`Alien`) separated by a comma after the colon (`:`). The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_09` folder:

```
open class AngryCatAlien : AngryCat, Alien {
    open var numberOfEyes: Int = 0
    init (nickName: String, age: UInt, fullName: String,
        initialScore: UInt, x: UInt, y: UInt, numberOfEyes: Int) {
        super.init(nickName: nickName, age: age, fullName: fullName,
            initialScore: initialScore, x: x, y: y)
        self.numberOfEyes = numberOfEyes
    }
    open func appear() {
        print("I'm \(fullName) and you can see my \(numberOfEyes)
            eyes.")
    }
    open func disappear() {
        print("\(fullName) disappears.")
    }
}
```

As a result of the previous code, we have a new class named `AngryCatAlien` that conforms to the following three protocols:

- `ComicCharacter`: This is implemented by the `AngryCat` superclass and inherited by `AngryCatAlien`
- `GameCharacter`: This is implemented by the `AngryCat` superclass and inherited by `AngryCatAlien`
- `Alien`: This is implemented by `AngryCatAlien`

The initializer adds a `numberOfEyes` argument to the argument list defined in the base initializer, that is, the initializer defined in the `AngryCat` superclass. In this case, the initializer calls the base initializer (`self.init`) and then initializes the `numberOfEyes` property with the value received in the `numberOfEyes` argument. The class implements the `appear` and `disappear` methods required by the `Alien` protocol.

The following lines show the code for a new `AngryCatWizard` class that inherits from the `AngryCat` class and implements the `Wizard` protocol. Note that the class declaration includes the superclass (`AngryCat`) and the implemented protocol (`Wizard`) separated by a comma after the colon (`:`). The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_09` folder:

```
open class AngryCatWizard: AngryCat, Wizard {
    open var spellPower: Int = 0

    open func disappear(alien: Alien) {
        print("\(fullName) uses his \(spellPower) spell power to make
            the alien with \(alien.numberOfEyes) eyes disappear.")
    }
    init(nickName: String, age: UInt, fullName: String,
        initialScore: UInt, x: UInt, y: UInt, spellPower: Int) {
        super.init(nickName: nickName, age: age, fullName: fullName,
            initialScore: initialScore, x: x, y: y)
        self.spellPower = spellPower
    }
}
```

As with the `AngryCatAlien` class, the new `AngryCatWizard` class implements three protocols. Two of these protocols are implemented by the `AngryCat` superclass and inherited by `AngryCatWizard: ComicCharacter` and `GameCharacter`. The `AngryCatWizard` class adds the implementation of the `Wizard` protocol.

The initializer adds a `spellPower` argument to the argument list defined in the base constructor (`super.init`), which is the constructor defined in the `AngryCat` superclass. The constructor calls the base constructor and then initializes the `spellPower` property with the value received in the `spellPower` argument. The class implements the `disappear` method, which receives an `Alien` instance as an argument, required by the `Wizard` protocol.

The `disappear` method receives an `Alien` as an argument. Thus, any instance of `AngryCatAlien` would qualify as an argument for this method, that is, any instance of any class that conforms to the `Alien` protocol.

The following lines show the code for a new `AngryCatKnight` class, which inherits from the `AngryCat` class and implements the `Knight` protocol. Note that the class declaration includes the superclass (`AngryCat`) and implemented protocol (`Knight`) separated by a comma after the colon (`:`). The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_09` folder:

```
open class AngryCatKnight : AngryCat, Knight {
    open var swordPower: Int = 0
    open var swordWeight: Int = 0
    private func writeLinesAboutTheSword() {
        print("\(fullName) unsheaths his sword.")
        print("Sword power: \(swordPower). Sword weight: \(swordWeight).")
    }
    open func unsheathSword() {
        writeLinesAboutTheSword()
    }
    open func unsheathSword(target: Alien) {
        writeLinesAboutTheSword()
        print("The sword targets an alien with \(target.numberOfEyes) eyes.")
    }
    init (nickName: String, age: UInt, fullName: String,
        initialScore: UInt, x: UInt, y: UInt, swordPower: Int,
        swordWeight: Int) {
        super.init(nickName: nickName, age: age, fullName: fullName,
            initialScore: initialScore, x: x, y: y)
        self.swordPower = swordPower
        self.swordWeight = swordWeight
    }
}
```

As with the two previously coded classes inherited from the `AngryCat` class and conforming to the protocols, the new `AngryCatKnight` class implements three protocols. Two of these protocols are implemented by the `AngryCat` superclass and inherited by `AngryCatKnight`: `ComicCharacter` and `GameCharacter`. The `AngryCatKnight` class adds the implementation of the `Knight` protocol.

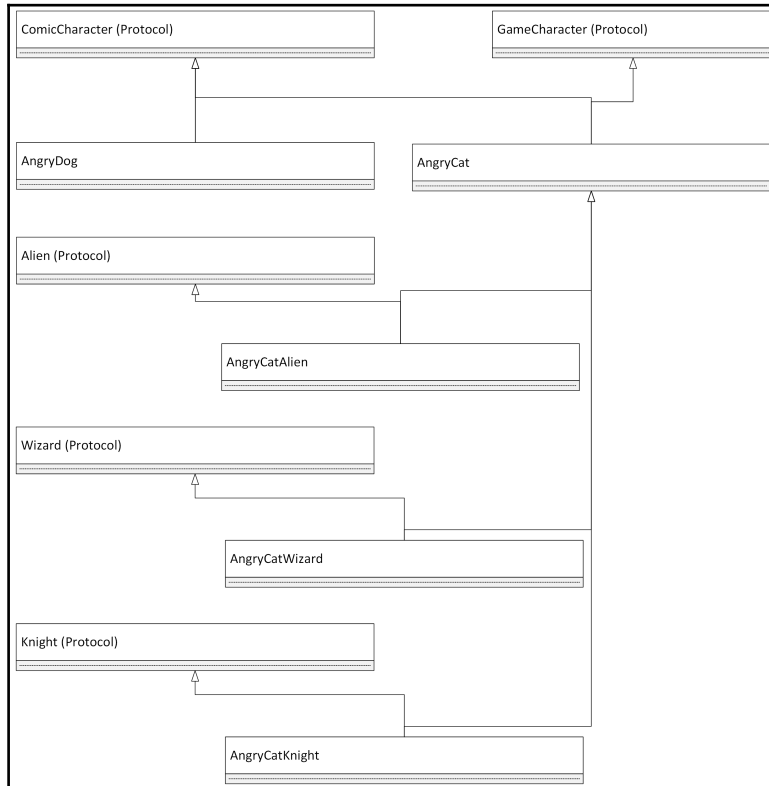
The initializer adds the `swordPower` and `swordWeight` arguments to the argument list defined in the base initializer (`base.init`), which is the constructor defined in the `AngryCat` superclass. The initializer calls the base initializer (`base.init`) and then initializes the `swordPower` and `swordWeight` properties with the values received in the `swordPower` and `swordHeight` arguments.

The class implements the two versions of the `unsheathSword` method required by the `Knight` protocol. Both methods call the private `writeLinesAboutTheSword` method, and the overloaded version that receives `Alien` as an argument prints an additional message about the alien that the sword has as a target—specifically, the number of eyes.

The following table summarizes the list of protocols to which each of the classes we created conform:

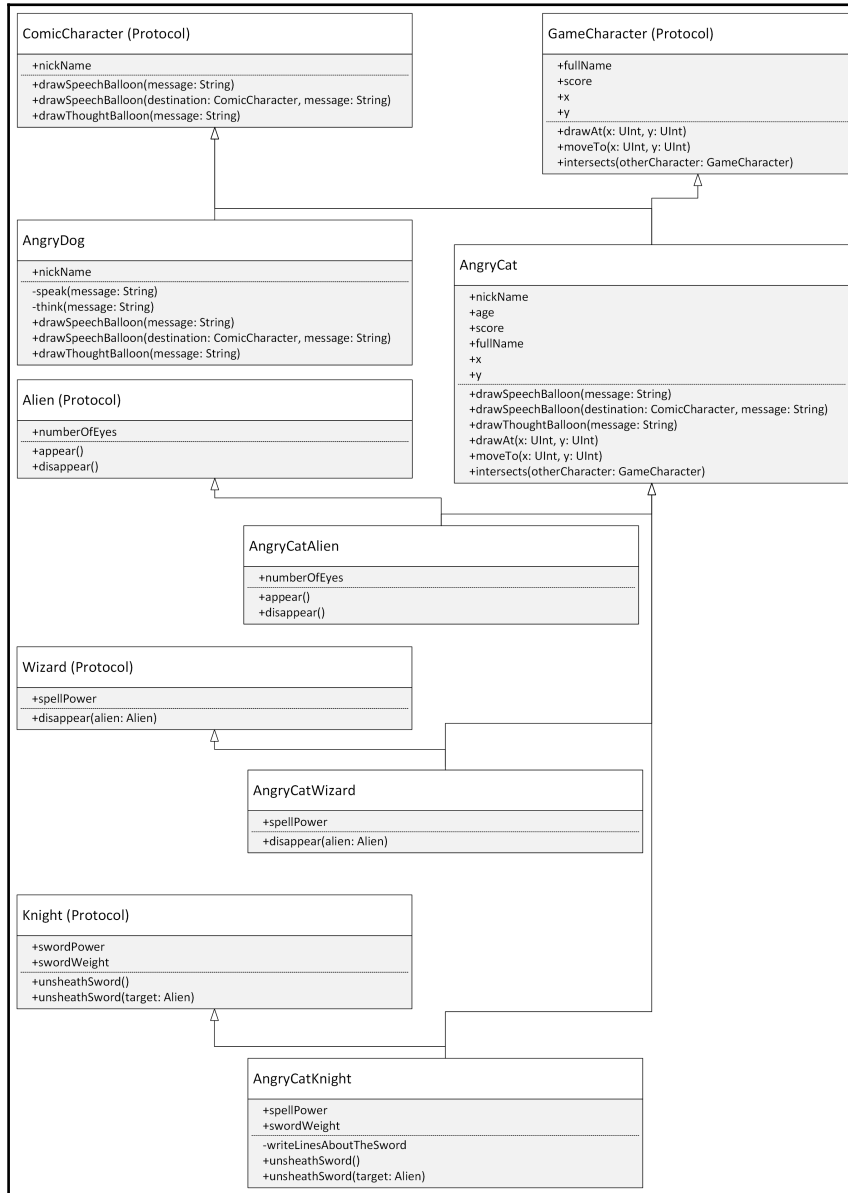
| Class name                  | Conforms to the following protocol(s)                                              |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>AngryDog</code>       | <code>ComicCharacter</code>                                                        |
| <code>AngryCat</code>       | <code>ComicCharacter</code> and <code>GameCharacter</code>                         |
| <code>AngryCatAlien</code>  | <code>ComicCharacter</code> , <code>GameCharacter</code> , and <code>Alien</code>  |
| <code>AngryCatWizard</code> | <code>ComicCharacter</code> , <code>GameCharacter</code> , and <code>Wizard</code> |
| <code>AngryCatKnight</code> | <code>ComicCharacter</code> , <code>GameCharacter</code> , and <code>Knight</code> |

The following simplified UML diagram shows the hierarch tree for the classes and their relationships with protocols:





The following UML diagram shows the protocols and the classes with their properties and methods. We can use the diagram to understand all the things that we will analyze with the next code samples based on the usage of these classes and the previously defined protocols:



The following lines create one instance of each of the previously created classes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_09` folder:

```
var angryDog1 = AngryDog(nickName: "Bailey")
var angryCat1 = AngryCat(nickName: "Bella", age: 3,
    fullName: "Mrs. Bella", initialScore: 20, x: 10, y: 10)
var angryCatAlien1 = AngryCatAlien(nickName: "Lucy", age: 4,
    fullName: "Mrs. Lucy", initialScore: 50, x: 20, y: 10,
    numberOfEyes: 3)
var angryCatWizard1 = AngryCatWizard(nickName: "Daisy", age: 4,
    fullName: "Mrs. Daisy", initialScore: 50, x: 20, y: 10,
    spellPower: 6)
var angryCatKnight1 = AngryCatKnight(nickName: "Maggie", age: 3,
    fullName: "Mrs. Maggy", initialScore: 1300, x: 40, y: 10,
    swordPower: 7, swordWeight: 5)
```

The following table summarizes the instance name and its class name:

| Instance name                | Class name                  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <code>angryDog1</code>       | <code>AngryDog</code>       |
| <code>angryCat1</code>       | <code>AngryCat</code>       |
| <code>angryCatAlien1</code>  | <code>AngryCatAlien</code>  |
| <code>angryCatWizard1</code> | <code>AngryCatWizard</code> |
| <code>angryCatKnight</code>  | <code>AngryCatKnight</code> |

Now, we will evaluate many expressions that use the `is` keyword to determine whether the instances are an instance of the specified class or conform to a specific protocol. Note that all the expressions are evaluated to `true` because every instance is of the type specified on the right-hand side after the `is` keyword. The specified types are the main class for the instance, its superclass, or a class that conforms to the protocol.

For example, `angryCatWizard1` is an instance of `AngryCatWizard`. In addition, `angryCatWizard1` belongs to `AngryCat` because `AngryCat` is the superclass of the `AngryCatWizard` class. It is also true that `angryCatWizard1` conforms to three protocols: `ComicCharacter`, `GameCharacter`, and `Wizard`. The superclass of `AngryCatWizard`—that is, `AngryCat`—conforms to two of these protocols: `ComicCharacter` and `GameCharacter`. Therefore, `AngryCatWizard` inherits the protocol conformance. Finally, the `AngryCatWizard` class not only inherits from `AngryCat` but also conforms to the `Wizard` protocol. If we execute the following lines in the Playground, all of them will print `true` as a result. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_09` folder:

```
print(angryDog1 is AngryDog)
print(angryDog1 is ComicCharacter)

print(angryCat1 is AngryCat)
print(angryCat1 is ComicCharacter)
print(angryCat1 is GameCharacter)

print(angryCatAlien1 is AngryCat)
print(angryCatAlien1 is AngryCatAlien)
print(angryCatAlien1 is ComicCharacter)
print(angryCatAlien1 is GameCharacter)
print(angryCatAlien1 is Alien)

print(angryCatWizard1 is AngryCat)
print(angryCatWizard1 is AngryCatWizard)
print(angryCatWizard1 is ComicCharacter)
print(angryCatWizard1 is GameCharacter)
print(angryCatWizard1 is Wizard)

print(angryCatKnight1 is AngryCat)
print(angryCatKnight1 is AngryCatKnight)
print(angryCatKnight1 is ComicCharacter)
print(angryCatKnight1 is GameCharacter)
print(angryCatKnight1 is Knight)
```

The following screenshot shows the result of executing the previous lines in the Playground. Note that the Playground uses a warning icon to let us know that all the expressions that include the `is` keyword will always be evaluated to `true`. In these cases, the compiler generates a warning:

```
var angryDog1 = AngryDog(nickName: "Bailey")           AngryDog
var angryCat1 = AngryCat(nickName: "Bella", age: 3, fullName: "Mrs. Bella", initialScore: 20, x: 10, y: 10)  AngryCat
var angryCatAlien1 = AngryCatAlien(nickName: "Lucy", age: 4, fullName: "Mrs. Lucy", initialScore: 50, x: 20, y: 10, numberOfEyes: 3)  AngryCatAlien
var angryCatWizard1 = AngryCatWizard(nickName: "Daisy", age: 4, fullName: "Mrs. Daisy", initialScore: 50, x: 20, y: 10, spellPower: 6)  AngryCatWizard
var angryCatKnight1 = AngryCatKnight(nickName: "Maggie", age: 3, fullName: "Mrs. Maggy", initialScore: 1300, x: 40, y: 10, swordPower: 7, swordWeight: 5)  AngryCatKnight

⚠️ print(angryDog1 is AngryDog)                       "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryDog1 is ComicCharacter)                  "true\n"

⚠️ print(angryCat1 is AngryCat)                       "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCat1 is ComicCharacter)                  "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCat1 is GameCharacter)                   "true\n"

⚠️ print(angryCatAlien1 is AngryCat)                  "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatAlien1 is AngryCatAlien)             "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatAlien1 is ComicCharacter)            "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatAlien1 is GameCharacter)             "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatAlien1 is Alien)                    "true\n"

⚠️ print(angryCatWizard1 is AngryCat)                 "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatWizard1 is AngryCatWizard)          "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatWizard1 is ComicCharacter)           "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatWizard1 is GameCharacter)            "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatWizard1 is Wizard)                  "true\n"

⚠️ print(angryCatKnight1 is AngryCat)                 "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatKnight1 is AngryCatKnight)          "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatKnight1 is ComicCharacter)           "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatKnight1 is GameCharacter)            "true\n"
⚠️ print(angryCatKnight1 is Knight)                  "true\n"
```

## Working with methods that receive protocols as arguments

Now, we will create additional instances of the previous classes and call methods that have specified their required arguments with protocol names instead of class names. We will understand what happens under the hood when we use protocols as types for arguments.

In the following code, the first two lines of code create two instances of the `AngryDog` class named `brian` and `merlin`. Then, the code calls the two versions of the `drawSpeechBalloon` method for `brian`. The second call to this method passes `merlin` as the `ComicCharacter` argument because `merlin` is an instance of `AngryDog`, which is a class that implements the `ComicCharacter` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
var brian = AngryDog(nickName: "Brian")
var merlin = AngryDog(nickName: "Merlin")
brian.drawSpeechBalloon(message: "Hello, my name is \
(brian.nickName)")
brian.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: merlin, message:
"How do you do?")
merlin.drawThoughtBalloon(message: "Who are you? I think.")
```



Bear in mind that when we work with protocols, we use them to specify argument types instead of using class names. Multiple classes might implement a single protocol, so instances of different classes might qualify as an argument of a specific protocol.

The following code creates an instance of the `AngryCat` class named `garfield`. Its `nickName` value is `"Garfield"`. The next line calls the `drawSpeechBalloon` method for the new instance to introduce Garfield in the comic, and then `brian` calls the `drawSpeechBalloon` method and passes `garfield` as the `ComicCharacter` argument because `garfield` is an instance of `AngryCat`, which is a class that implements the `ComicCharacter` protocol. Thus, we can also use instances of `AngryCat` whenever we need a `ComicCharacter` argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
var garfield = AngryCat(nickName: "Garfield", age: 10, fullName:
"Mr. Garfield", initialScore: 0, x: 10, y: 20)
garfield.drawSpeechBalloon(message: "Hello, my name is \
(garfield.nickName)")
brian.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: garfield, message: "Hello \
(garfield.nickName)")
```

The following code creates an instance of the `AngryCatAlien` class named `misterAlien`. Its `nickName` value is "Alien". The next line checks whether the call to the `intersects` method with `garfield` as a parameter returns `true`. The method requires a `ComicCharacter` argument, so we can use `garfield`. The method will return `true` because the `x` and `y` properties of both instances have the same value. The line within the `if` block calls the `moveTo` method for `misterAlien`. Then, the code calls the `appear` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
var misterAlien = AngryCatAlien(nickName: "Alien", age: 120,
    fullName: "Mr. Alien", initialScore: 0, x: 10, y: 20,
    numberOfEyes: 3)
if (misterAlien.intersects(character: garfield)) {
    misterAlien.moveTo(x: garfield.x + 20, y: garfield.y + 20)
}
misterAlien.appear()
```

The following code creates an instance of the `AngryCatWizard` class named `gandalf`. Its `nickName` value is "Gandalf". The next lines call the `draw` method and then the `disappear` method with `misterAlien` as the `alien` argument. The method requires an `Alien` argument, so we can use `misterAlien`, which is the previously created instance of `AngryCatAlien` that implements the `Alien` protocol. Then, a call to the `Appear` method for `misterAlien` makes the alien with three eyes appear again. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
var gandalf = AngryCatWizard(nickName: "Gandalf", age: 75,
    fullName: "Mr. Gandalf", initialScore: 10000, x: 30, y: 40,
    spellPower: 100)
gandalf.drawAt(x: gandalf.x, y: gandalf.y)
gandalf.disappear(alien: misterAlien)
misterAlien.appear()
```

The following code creates an instance of the `AngryCatKnight` class named `camelot`. Its `nickName` value is "Camelot". The next lines call the `draw` method and then the `unsheathSword` method with `misterAlien` as a parameter. The method requires an `Alien` argument, so we can use `misterAlien`, the previously created instance of `AngryCatAlien` that implements the `Alien` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
var camelot = AngryCatKnight(nickName: "Camelot", age: 35,
    fullName: "Sir Camelot", initialScore: 5000, x: 50, y: 50,
    swordPower: 100, swordWeight: 30)
camelot.drawAt(x: camelot.x, y: camelot.y)
camelot.unsheathSword(target: misterAlien)
```

Finally, the code calls the `drawThoughtBalloon` and `drawSpeechBalloon` methods for `misterAlien`. We can do this because `misterAlien` is an instance of `AngryCatAlien`, and this class inherits the conformance to the `ComicCharacter` protocol from its `AngryCat` superclass. The call to the `drawSpeechBalloon` method passes `camelot` as the `ComicCharacter` argument because `camelot` is an instance of `AngryCatKnight`, which is a class that also inherits the conformance to the `ComicCharacter` protocol from its `AngryCat` superclass. Thus, we can also use instances of `AngryCatKnight` whenever we need a `ComicCharacter` argument, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_10` folder:

```
misterAlien.drawThoughtBalloon(message:
    "I must be friendly or I'm dead...");
misterAlien.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: camelot, message:
    "Pleased to meet you, Sir.");
```

After you execute the previous lines in the Playground, you will see the following text output:

```
Brian -> "Hello, my name is Brian"
Brian -> "Merlin, How do you do?"
Merlin -> ***Who are you? I think.***
Garfield -> "Meow Hello, my name is Garfield"
Brian -> "Garfield, Hello Garfield"
Moving AngryCat Mr. Alien to x: 30, y: 40
I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes.
Drawing AngryCat Mr. Gandalf at x: 30, y: 40
Mr. Gandalf uses his 100 spell power to make the alien with 3 eyes
disappear.
I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes.
Drawing AngryCat Sir Camelot at x: 50, y: 50
Sir Camelot unsheaths his sword.
Sword power: 100. Sword weight: 30.
The sword targets an alien with 3 eyes.
Alien thinks: I must be friendly or I'm dead...
Camelot == Alien ---> "Pleased to meet you, Sir."
```

The next screenshot shows the code and the result of executing it in the Playground:

|                                                                                                                                                                      |                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| <code>var brian = AngryDog(nickName: "Brian")</code>                                                                                                                 | AngryDog       |
| <code>var merlin = AngryDog(nickName: "Merlin")</code>                                                                                                               | AngryDog       |
| <code>brian.drawSpeechBalloon(message: "Hello, my name is \(brian.nickName)")</code>                                                                                 | AngryDog       |
| <code>brian.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: merlin, message: "How do you do?")</code>                                                                                 | AngryDog       |
| <code>merlin.drawThoughtBalloon(message: "Who are you? I think.")</code>                                                                                             | AngryDog       |
| <code>var garfield = AngryCat(nickName: "Garfield", age: 10, fullName: "Mr. Garfield", initialScore: 0, x: 10, y: 20)</code>                                         | AngryCat       |
| <code>garfield.drawSpeechBalloon(message: "Hello, my name is \(garfield.nickName)")</code>                                                                           | AngryCat       |
| <code>brian.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: garfield, message: "Hello \(garfield.nickName)")</code>                                                                   | AngryDog       |
| <code>var misterAlien = AngryCatAlien(nickName: "Alien", age: 120, fullName: "Mr. Alien", initialScore: 0, x: 10, y: 20, numberOfEyes: 3)</code>                     | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>if (misterAlien.intersects(character: garfield)) {</code>                                                                                                      | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>    misterAlien.moveTo(x: garfield.x + 20, y: garfield.y + 20)</code>                                                                                          | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>}</code>                                                                                                                                                       | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>misterAlien.appear()</code>                                                                                                                                    | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>var gandalf = AngryCatWizard(nickName: "Gandalf", age: 75, fullName: "Mr. Gandalf", initialScore: 10000, x: 30, y: 40, spellPower: 100)</code>                 | AngryCatWizard |
| <code>gandalf.drawAt(x: gandalf.x, y: gandalf.y)</code>                                                                                                              | AngryCatWizard |
| <code>gandalf.disappear(alien: misterAlien)</code>                                                                                                                   | AngryCatWizard |
| <code>misterAlien.appear()</code>                                                                                                                                    | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>var camelot = AngryCatKnight(nickName: "Camelot", age: 35, fullName: "Sir Camelot", initialScore: 5000, x: 50, y: 50, swordPower: 100, swordWeight: 30)</code> | AngryCatKnight |
| <code>camelot.drawAt(x: camelot.x, y: camelot.y)</code>                                                                                                              | AngryCatKnight |
| <code>camelot.unsheathSword(target: misterAlien)</code>                                                                                                              | AngryCatKnight |
| <code>misterAlien.drawThoughtBalloon(message: "I must be friendly or I'm dead...");</code>                                                                           | AngryCatAlien  |
| <code>misterAlien.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: camelot, message: "Pleased to meet you, Sir.");</code>                                                              | AngryCatAlien  |

```

Brian -> "Hello, my name is Brian"
Brian -> "Merlin, How do you do?"
Merlin -> ***Who are you? I think.***
Garfield -> "Meow Hello, my name is Garfield"
Brian -> "Garfield, Hello Garfield"
Moving AngryCat Mr. Alien to x: 30, y: 40
I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes.
Drawing AngryCat Mr. Gandalf at x: 30, y: 40
Mr. Gandalf uses his 100 spell power to make the alien with 3 eyes disappear.
I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes.
Drawing AngryCat Sir Camelot at x: 50, y: 50
Sir Camelot unsheathes his sword.
Sword power: 100. Sword weight: 30.
The sword targets an alien with 3 eyes.
Alien thinks: I must be friendly or I'm dead...
Camelot == Alien ---> "Pleased to meet you, Sir."

```

## Downcasting with protocols and classes

The `ComicCharacter` protocol defines one of the method requirements for the `drawSpeechBalloon` method with `destination` as an argument of the `ComicCharacter` type, which is the same type that the protocol defines. The following is the first line in our sample code that called this method:

```
brian.drawSpeechBalloon(destination: merlin, message: "How do you do?")
```



We called the method defined within the `AngryDog` class because `brian` is an instance of `AngryDog`. We passed an `AngryDog` instance, `merlin`, to the `destination` argument. The method works with the `destination` argument as an instance that conforms to the `ComicCharacter` protocol; therefore, whenever we reference the `destination` variable, we will only be able to see what the `ComicCharacter` type defines.

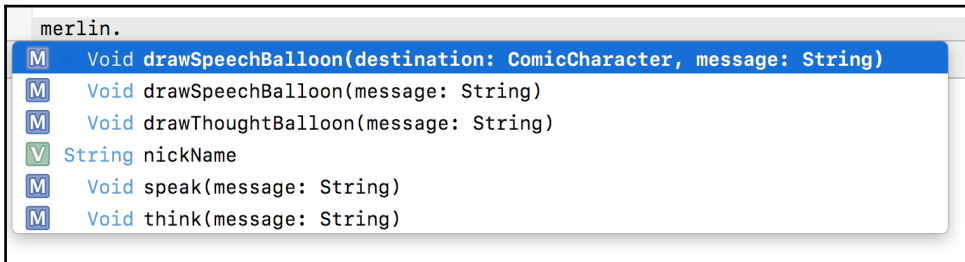
We can easily understand what happens under the hood when Swift downcasts a type from its original type to a target type, such as a protocol to which the class conforms. In this case, `AngryDog` is downcasted to `ComicCharacter`. If we enter the following code in the Playground, Xcode will enumerate the members for the `AngryDog` instance named `merlin`:

```
merlin.
```

Xcode will display the following members:

```
Void drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
message: String)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)
Void drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)
String nickName
Void speak(message: String)
Void think(message: String)
```

The following screenshot shows the members enumerated in the Playground for `merlin`, which is an `AngryDog` instance:



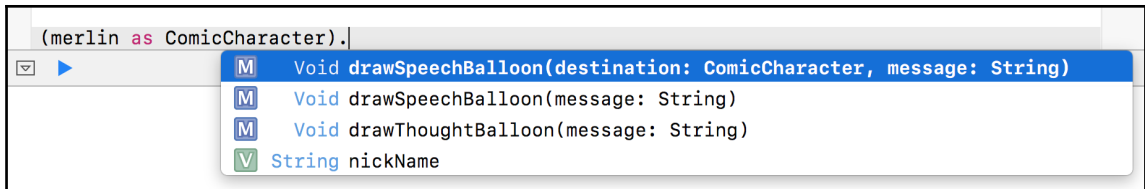
If we enter the following code in the Playground, the `as` downcast operator forces the downcast to the `ComicCharacter` protocol type; therefore, Xcode will only enumerate the members for the `AngryDog` instance named `merlin` that are required members in the `ComicCharacter` protocol:

```
(merlin as ComicCharacter).
```

Xcode will display the following members:

```
Void drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
message: String)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)
Void drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)
String nickName
```

Note that the two methods that are defined in the `AngryDog` class but aren't required in the `ComicCharacter` protocol aren't visible: `speak` and `think`. The following screenshot shows the members enumerated in the Playground for the `merlin` instance's downcast to `ComicCharacter`:



Now, let's analyze another scenario in which an instance is downcasted to one of the protocols to which it conforms. The `GameCharacter` protocol defines a method requirement for the `intersects` method with `character` as an argument of the `GameCharacter` type, which is the same type that the protocol defined. The following is the first line in our sample code that called this method:

```
if (misterAlien.intersects(character: garfield)) {
```

We called the method defined within the `AngryCat` class because `misterAlien` is an instance of `AngryCatAlien`, which inherits the method implementation from the `AngryCat` class. We passed an `AngryCat` instance, `garfield`, to the `character` argument. The method works with the `character` argument as an instance that conforms to the `GameCharacter` protocol; therefore, whenever we reference the destination variable, we will only be able to see what the `GameCharacter` type defines.

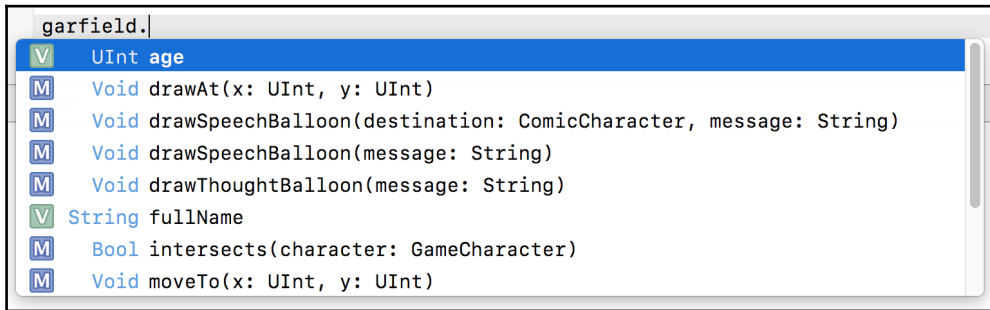
In this case, `AngryCat` is downcasted to `GameCharacter`. If we enter the following code in the Playground, Xcode will enumerate the members for the `AngryCat` instance named `garfield`:

```
garfield.
```

Xcode will display the following members:

```
UInt age
Void drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
message: String)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)
Void drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)
String fullName
Bool intersects(character: GameCharacter)
Void moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt)
String nickName
UInt score
UInt x
UInt y
```

The following screenshot shows the first members enumerated in the Playground for `garfield`, which is an `AngryCat` instance:



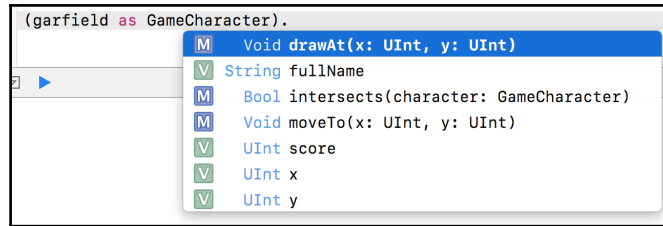
If we enter the following code in the Playground, the `as` downcast operator forces the downcast to the `GameCharacter` protocol type; therefore, Xcode will only enumerate those members for the `AngryCat` instance named `garfield` that are required members in the `GameCharacter` protocol:

```
(garfield as GameCharacter).
```

Xcode will display the following members:

```
Void drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt)
String fullName
Bool intersects(character: GameCharacter)
Void moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt)
UInt score
UInt x
UInt y
```

Note that the list of members has been reduced to the properties and members required in the `GameCharacter` protocol. The following screenshot shows the members enumerated in the Playground for the `garfield` instance's downcast to `GameCharacter`:



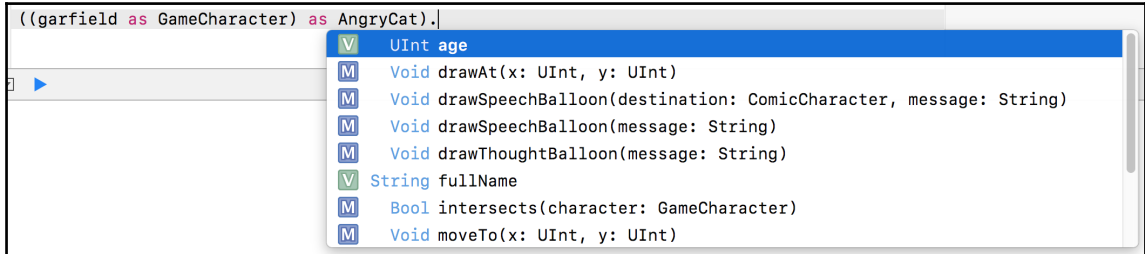
We can use the `as` operator to force a cast of the previous expression to the original type, that is, to the `AngryCat` type. This way, Xcode will enumerate all the members of the `AngryCat` instance again:

```
((garfield as GameCharacter) as AngryCat).
```

Xcode will display the following members—that is, all the members that Xcode enumerated when we worked with `garfield`—without any kind of casting:

```
UInt age
Void drawAt(x: UInt, y: UInt)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(destination: ComicCharacter,
message: String)
Void drawSpeechBalloon(message: String)
Void drawThoughtBalloon(message: String)
String fullName
Bool intersects(character: GameCharacter)
Void moveTo(x: UInt, y: UInt)
String nickName
UInt score
UInt x
UInt y
```

The following screenshot shows the first members enumerated in the Playground for `garfield` downcast to `GameCharacter` and when it is casted back to an `AngryCat` instance:



## Treating instances of a protocol type as a different subclass

Now, we will take advantage of the capability that Swift offers us to extend an existing class to add specific members. In this case, we will add an instance method to the previously defined `AngryCat` class. The following lines add the `doSomethingWith` method to the existing `AngryCat` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_11` folder:

```
public extension AngryCat {
    public func doSomethingWith(cat: AngryCat) {
        if let angryCatAlien = cat as? AngryCatAlien {
            angryCatAlien.appear()
        } else if let angryCatKnight = cat as? AngryCatKnight {
            angryCatKnight.unsheathSword()
        } else if let angryCatWizard = cat as? AngryCatWizard {
            print("My spell power is \(angryCatWizard.spellPower)")
        } else {
            print("This AngryCat doesn't have cool skills.")
        }
    }
}
```



Take into account that extensions cannot use `open` as their default access. When we want them to be accessible outside the module that defines them, we must use the `public` access modifier.

The `doSomethingWith` method receives an `AngryCat` instance (`cat`) and uses the conditional type casting operator (`as?`) to return an optional value of the type that it tries to cast `cat` to. In case `cat` is an instance of `AngryCatAlien` or of any potential subclass of `AngryCatAlien`, the first type cast succeeds and the code calls the `appear` method for the `cat` type cast to an `AngryCatAlien` instance, which is saved in the `angryCatAlien` reference constant, as follows:

```
if let angryCatAlien = cat as? AngryCatAlien {
    angryCatAlien.appear()
}
```

In case the conditional type cast to `AngryCatAlien` fails, the code uses the conditional type casting operator (`as?`) and tries to cast `cat` to `AngryCatKnight`. In case `cat` is an instance of `AngryCatKnight` or an instance of any potential subclass of `AngryCatKnight`, the conditional type cast succeeds, and the code calls the `unsheathSword` method for the `cat` type cast to an `AngryCatKnight` instance, which is saved in the `angryCatKnight` reference constant:

```
} else if let angryCatKnight = cat as? AngryCatKnight {
    angryCatKnight.unsheathSword()
}
```

In case the conditional type cast to `AngryCatKnight` fails, the code uses the conditional type casting operator (`as?`) and tries to cast `cat` to `AngryCatWizard`. In case `cat` is an instance of `AngryCatWizard` or of any potential subclass of `AngryCatWizard`, the conditional type cast succeeds, and the code prints a message indicating the `spellPower` value for the `cat` type cast to an `AngryCatWizard` instance, which is saved in the `angryCatWizard` reference constant, as follows:

```
} else if let angryCatWizard = cat as? AngryCatWizard {
    print("My spell power is \(angryCatWizard.spellPower)")
}
```

Finally, if the last conditional type cast to `AngryCatKnight` fails, it means that the `cat` instance just belongs to `AngryCat`, so the code prints a message indicating that `AngryCat` doesn't have cool skills.



Whenever type casting fails, we must use the conditional form (`as?`) of the type cast operator.

Now, we will take advantage of the `doSomethingWith` instance method added to the `AngryCat` class and call it in instances of `AngryCat` and its subclasses, which we created before we declared the extension. We will call the `doSomethingWith` method for the `AngryCat` instance named `garfield` and use it the following arguments:

- `misterAlien`: This is an instance of the `AngryCatAlien` class
- `camelot`: This is an instance of the `AngryCatKnight` class
- `gandalf`: This is an instance of the `AngryCatWizard` class
- `garfield`: This is an instance of the `AngryCat` class

The following four lines call the `doSomethingWith` method in the Playground with the previously enumerated arguments. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_11` folder:

```
garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: misterAlien)
garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: camelot)
garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: gandalf)
garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: garfield)
```

The next lines show the output generated in the Playground. Each call triggers a different type cast and calls a method of the type cast instance:

```
I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes.
Sir Camelot unsheaths his sword.
Sword power: 100. Sword weight: 30.
My spell power is 100
This AngryCat doesn't have cool skills.
```

The following screenshot shows that the execution of the four methods generates the `doSomethingWith` method to execute code in each usage of the conditional type cast operator. Note the values displayed on the right-hand side of each line included within the curly braces after each conditional type cast. The lines that call the methods just display the type cast instance types, `AngryCatAlien` and `AngryCatKnight`, and the lines that call the `print` method display the generated output on the right-hand side:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <pre>public extension AngryCat {   public func doSomethingWith(cat: AngryCat) {     if let angryCatAlien = cat as? AngryCatAlien {       angryCatAlien.appear()     } else if let angryCatKnight = cat as? AngryCatKnight {       angryCatKnight.unsheathSword()     } else if let angryCatWizard = cat as? AngryCatWizard {       print("My spell power is \ (angryCatWizard.spellPower)")     } else {       print("This AngryCat doesn't have cool skills.")     }   } }  garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: misterAlien) garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: camelot) garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: gandalf) garfield.doSomethingWith(cat: garfield)</pre> | <pre>AngryCatAlien AngryCatKnight "My spell power is 100\n" "This AngryCat doesn't have cool skills.\n" AngryCat AngryCat AngryCat AngryCat</pre> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <span style="color: blue;">▶</span>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                   |
| <pre>I'm Mr. Alien and you can see my 3 eyes. Sir Camelot unsheaths his sword. Sword power: 100. Sword weight: 30. My spell power is 100 This AngryCat doesn't have cool skills.</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                   |

## Specifying requirements for properties

In Chapter 4, *Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization*, we worked with simple inheritance to specialize animals. Now, we will go back to this example and refactor it to use protocols that allow us to take advantage of multiple inheritance.



The decision to work with contract-based programming appears with a new requirement, which is the need to make domestic birds and other domestic animals different from domestic mammals that talk and have a favorite toy. We already had a `talk` method and a `favoriteToy` property defined in the `DomesticMammal` class. However, now that we know how to work with protocols, we don't want to introduce duplicate code, and we want to be able to generalize what is required to be domestic, with a specific protocol for this.

We will define the following six protocols and take advantage of inheritance in protocols; that is, we will have protocols that inherit from other protocols, as follows:

- `AnimalProtocol`: This defines the requirements for an animal.
- `DomesticProtocol`: This defines the requirements that make an animal be considered a domestic one. However, it doesn't inherit from `AnimalProtocol` because it just specifies the requirements: anything that can be domestic.
- `MammalProtocol`: This defines the requirements for a mammal. The protocol inherits from `AnimalProtocol`.
- `BirdProtocol`: This defines the requirements for birds. The protocol inherits from `AnimalProtocol`.
- `DogProtocol`: This defines the requirements for dogs. The protocol inherits from `MammalProtocol`.
- `CatProtocol`: This defines the requirements for cats. The protocol inherits from `MammalProtocol`.

In this case, we will use the `Protocol` suffix to differentiate protocols from classes. All the protocols' names end with `Protocol`. However, take into account that this is not a common convention in Swift. The recommended convention is to use an `ing` or `able` form of a verb, such as `Equatable`, `Comparable`, and `Locking`. However, in this case, the protocol names are best described with a noun and we will have classes with the same names in case we don't add the `Protocol` suffix. We want to create an `Animal` class, so we cannot have a protocol with the same name.

The following lines show the code that declares the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol AnimalProtocol {
    static var numberOfLegs: Int { get }
    static var averageNumberOfChildren: Int { get }
    static var abilityToFly: Bool { get }
```

```
var age: Int { get set }
static func printALeg()
static func printAChild()

func printLegs()
func printChildren()
func printAge()
}
```

The `AnimalProtocol` protocol requires type properties, stored properties, type methods, and instance methods. First, we will focus on both the type and stored property requirements. The first lines define the type property requirements. We can only use the `static` keyword to specify a type property requirement, but we can use either `static` or `class` when we implement the type property in the class that conforms to the protocol. The usage of the `static` keyword doesn't have the same meaning that this keyword has when we use it in classes; that is, we can still declare type properties that can be overridden in the classes that conform to the protocol. In fact, this is exactly what we will do when we create the class that conforms to the `AnimalProtocol` protocol.

In this case, we want the three type properties to be in a read-only format, so we only include the `get` keyword after the desired type for the type property. The following line shows the type property requirement for `numberOfLegs` with the `get` keyword, which makes it a read-only type property:

```
static var numberOfLegs: Int { get }
```



We always have to specify the required type in each property requirement.

The protocol defines a stored property requirement named `age` with both the `get` and `set` keywords; therefore, this stored property must be a read-write stored property. Each class that conforms to the protocol can decide whether it is convenient to declare explicit getter and setter methods or just declare a stored property without providing these methods. Both cases are valid implementations because the protocol just requires a read/write stored property. The following line shows the stored property requirement for `age`:

```
var age: Int { get set }
```

## Specifying requirements for methods

The `AnimalProtocol` protocol requires two type methods: `printALeg` and `printAChild`. As explained with the type property requirements, we can only use the `static` keyword to specify a type method requirement, but we can use either `static` or `class` when we implement the type method in the class that conforms to the protocol. The usage of the `static` keyword doesn't have the same meaning that this keyword has when we use it in classes; that is, we can still declare type methods that can be overridden in the classes that conform to the protocol by declaring them with the `class` keyword in the respective classes. The following line shows the type method requirement for `printALeg`:

```
static func printALeg()
```

The protocol defines three parameterless methods: `printLegs`, `printChildren`, and `printAge`. The method requirements use the `func` keyword followed by the method name and its arguments, as if we were writing the method declaration for a class but without the method body. The following line shows the method requirement for `printLegs`:

```
func printLegs()
```

The following lines show the code that declares the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol DomesticProtocol {
    var name: String { get set }
    var favoriteToy: String { get set }
    func talk()
}
```

The `DomesticProtocol` protocol requires two read/write stored properties: `name` and `favoriteToy`. In addition, the protocol defines a method requirement for a parameterless `talk` instance method. Note that the `DomesticProtocol` protocol doesn't inherit from the `AnimalProtocol` protocol, so we can combine the conformance to other protocols with `DomesticProtocol` to create a specific domestic version.

The following lines show the code that declares the `MammalProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol MammalProtocol: AnimalProtocol {
    var isPregnant: Bool { get set }
}
```

The `MammalProtocol` protocol inherits from the `AnimalProtocol` protocol and just adds the requirement for a single read/write stored property: `isPregnant`.

The following lines show the code that declares the `DogProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol DogProtocol: MammalProtocol {
    var breed: String { get }
    var breedFamily: String { get }
    func printBreed()
    func printBreedFamily()
    func bark()
    func bark(times: Int)
    func bark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol)
    func bark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol,
isAngry: Bool)
    func printBark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol?,
isAngry: Bool)
}
```

The `DogProtocol` protocol inherits from the `MammalProtocol` protocol and adds two read-only stored properties: `breed` and `breedFamily`. In addition, the protocol adds many method requirements. There are many overloaded method requirements with the same name (`bark`) and different arguments. Thus, the class or classes that implement the `DogProtocol` protocol must implement all the specified overloads for the `bark` method. Note that the `otherDomestic` argument is of a protocol type (`DomesticProtocol`), so any instance of a class that conforms to this protocol can be used as an argument.

The following lines show the code that declares the `CatProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol CatProtocol: MammalProtocol {
    func printMeow(times: Int)
}
```

The `CatProtocol` protocol inherits from the `MammalProtocol` protocol and adds a `printMeow` method requirement that receives a `times Int` argument.

The following lines show the code that declares the `BirdProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
public protocol BirdProtocol: AnimalProtocol {
    var feathersColor: String { get set }
}
```

The `BirdProtocol` protocol inherits from the `AnimalProtocol` protocol and adds a `feathersColor` read/write stored property requirement. However, wait; we said that we needed birds to talk and have a favorite toy. The `BirdProtocol` class doesn't include a requirement for either a `talk` method or a `favoriteToy` property, and it doesn't inherit. However, we will create a class that implements both the `BirdProtocol` and the `DomesticProtocol` protocols, and we will be able to use a domestic bird that talks as an argument in any method that requires `DomesticProtocol`.

## Combining class inheritance with protocol inheritance

So far, we have created many protocols for our animals. Some of these protocols inherit from other protocols; therefore, we have a protocol hierarchy tree. Now, it is time to combine class inheritance with protocol inheritance to recreate our animal classes.

The following lines show the new version of the `Animal` class that conforms to the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class Animal: AnimalProtocol {
    open class var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }
    open class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 0;
        }
    }
    open class var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    open var age: Int
    init(age : Int) {
        self.age = age
        print("Animal created")
    }
}
```

```
open class func printALeg() {
    preconditionFailure("The printALeg method must be overridden")
}
open func printLegs() {
    for _ in 0..
```

The following lines show the new version of the `Mammal` class that inherits from the `Animal` class and conforms to the `MammalProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class Mammal: Animal, MammalProtocol {
    open var isPregnant: Bool = false
    private func initialize(isPregnant: Bool) {
        self.isPregnant = isPregnant
        print("Mammal created")
    }
    override init(age: Int) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: false)
    }
    init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(isPregnant: isPregnant)
    }
}
```

The following lines show the new version of the `DomesticMammal` class that inherits from the `Mammal` class and conforms to the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. Remember that the `DomesticProtocol` protocol doesn't inherit from any other protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class DomesticMammal: Mammal, DomesticProtocol {
    open var name = String()
    open var favoriteToy = String()
    private func initialize(name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        self.name = name
        self.favoriteToy = favoriteToy
        print("DomesticMammal created")
    }
    init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
    init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant)
        initialize(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
    public func talk() {
        print("\(name): talks")
    }
}
```

The following lines show the new version of the `Dog` class that inherits from the `DomesticMammal` class and conforms to the `DogProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class Dog: DomesticMammal, DogProtocol {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
    open static override var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
    open var breed: String {
        get {
            return "Just a dog"
        }
    }
}
```

```
open var breedFamily: String {
  get {
    return "Dog"
  }
}
private func initializeDog() {
  print("Dog created")
}
override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeDog()
}
override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeDog()
}
public final func printBreed() {
  print(breed)
}
public final func printBreedFamily() {
  print(breedFamily)
}
open func printBark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol?,
isAngry: Bool) {
  var bark = "\(name) "
  if let unwrappedOtherDomestic = otherDomestic {
    bark += " to \(unwrappedOtherDomestic.name): "
  } else {
    bark += ": "
  }
  if isAngry {
    bark += "Grr "
  }
  for _ in 0 ..< times {
    bark += "Woof "
  }
  print(bark)
}
open func bark() {
  printBark(times: 1, otherDomestic: nil, isAngry: false)
}
open func bark(times: Int) {
  printBark(times: times, otherDomestic: nil, isAngry: false)
}
```



```
open func bark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomestic: otherDomestic,
              isAngry: false)
}
open func bark(times: Int, otherDomestic: DomesticProtocol,
              isAngry: Bool) {
    printBark(times: times, otherDomestic: otherDomestic,
              isAngry: isAngry)
}
open override func talk() {
    bark()
}
}
```

The previous version overloaded `bark` methods, which required an `otherDomesticMammal` argument of the `DomesticMammal` type. The `printBark` method required an optional `otherDomesticMammal` argument of the `DomesticMammal?` type. The new version of the overloaded `bark` methods replaces the `otherDomesticMammal` argument with `otherDomestic` of the `DomesticProtocol` type. This way, it is possible to pass any class that implements the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. The new version of the `printBark` method requires an optional `otherDomestic` argument of the `DomesticProtocol` type. These changes allow dogs to bark at any other domestic animal, just like the domestic bird we will create later. The previous version was only capable of barking at other domestic mammals. However, in real-life scenarios, dogs do bark at birds.

It is not necessary to make any changes to the classes that inherit from `Dog`: `TerrierDog` and `SmoothFoxTerrier`. These classes remain with the same code that we introduced in Chapter 4, *Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization*.

The following lines show the new version of the `Cat` class that inherits from the `DomesticMammal` class and conforms to the `CatProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class Cat: DomesticMammal, CatProtocol {
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 4;
        }
    }
    open static override var abilityToFly: Bool {
        get {
            return false;
        }
    }
}
```

```
open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
  get {
    return 6;
  }
}
private func initializeCat() {
  print("Cat created")
}
override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeCat()
}
override init(age: Int, isPregnant: Bool, name: String,
favoriteToy: String) {
  super.init(age: age, isPregnant: isPregnant, name: name,
favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
  initializeCat()
}
open func printMeow(times: Int) {
  var meow = "\(name): "
  for _ in 0 ..< times {
    meow += "Meow "
  }
  print(meow)
}
open override func talk() {
  printMeow(times: 1)
}
open override class func printALeg() {
  print("*_*", terminator: String())
}
open override class func printAChild() {
  // Print grinning cat face with smiling eyes emoji
  print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F638)!), terminator: String())
}
}
```

The following lines show the new version of the `Bird` class, which inherits from the `Animal` class and conforms to the `BirdProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class Bird: Animal, BirdProtocol {
    open var feathersColor: String = String()
    open static override var numberOfLegs: Int {
        get {
            return 2;
        }
    }
    private func initializeBird(feathersColor: String) {
        self.feathersColor = feathersColor
        print("Bird created")
    }
    override init(age: Int) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeBird(feathersColor: "Undefined / Too many colors")
    }
    init(age: Int, feathersColor: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeBird(feathersColor: feathersColor)
    }
}
```

The following lines show the new version of the `DomesticBird` class, which inherits from the `Bird` class and conforms to the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. Remember that the `DomesticProtocol` protocol doesn't inherit from any other protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
open class DomesticBird: Bird, DomesticProtocol {
    open var name = String()
    open var favoriteToy = String()
    private func initializeDomesticBird(name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        self.name = name
        self.favoriteToy = favoriteToy
        print("DomesticBird created")
    }
    open func talk() {
        print("\(name): Tweet Tweet")
    }
    init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age)
        initializeDomesticBird(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
}
```

```
    init(age: Int, feathersColor: String, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, feathersColor: feathersColor)
        initializeDomesticBird(name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
    }
}
```

The new `DomesticBird` class adds the `favoriteToy` stored property and the `talk` method to conform to the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. In addition, the initializers add new parameters to make it possible to assign an initial value to `favoriteToy`.

The following lines show the new version of the `DomesticCanary` class, which inherits from the `DomesticBird` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

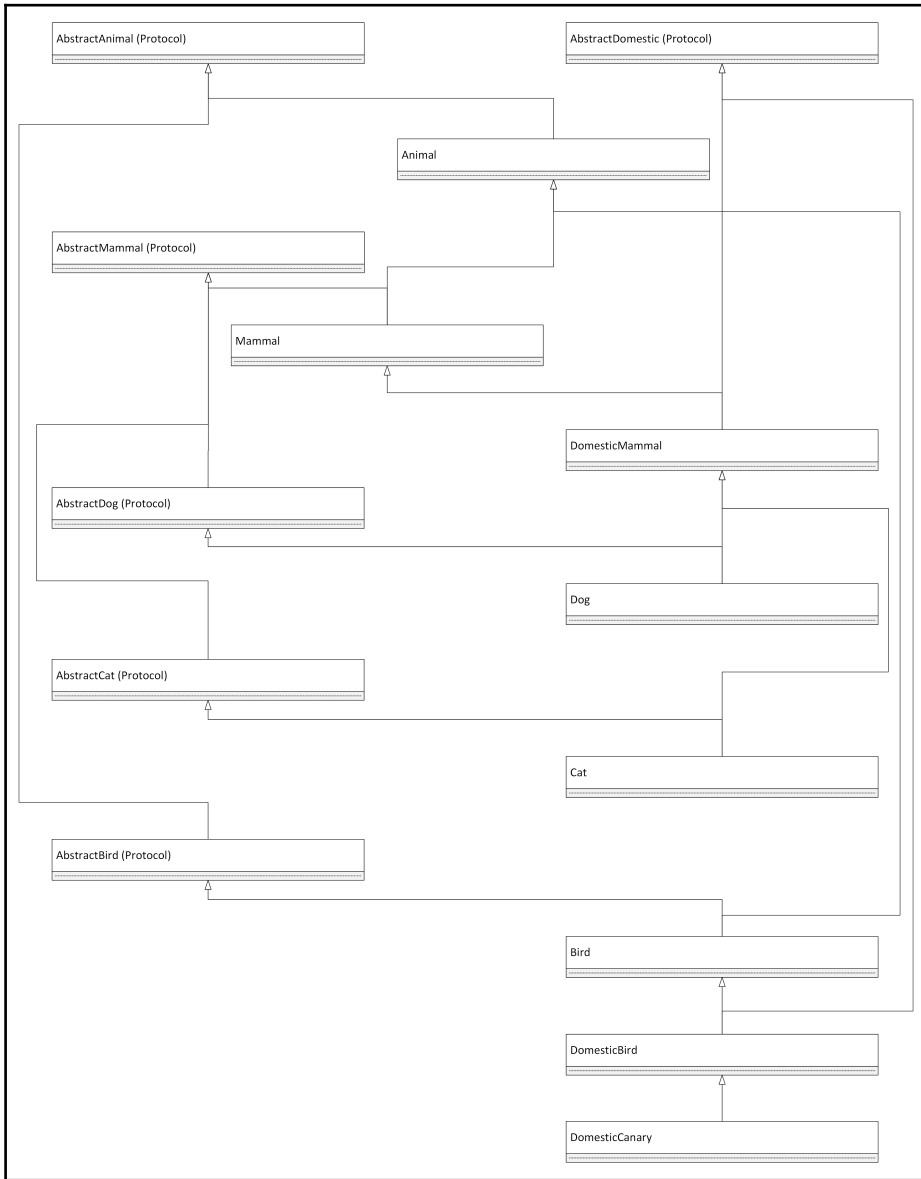
```
open class DomesticCanary: DomesticBird {
    open override class var averageNumberOfChildren: Int {
        get {
            return 5;
        }
    }
    private func initializeDomesticCanary() {
        print("DomesticCanary created")
    }
    override init(age: Int, name: String, favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, name: name, favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeDomesticCanary()
    }
    override init(age: Int, feathersColor: String, name: String,
        favoriteToy: String) {
        super.init(age: age, feathersColor: feathersColor, name: name,
            favoriteToy: favoriteToy)
        initializeDomesticCanary()
    }
    open override class func printALeg() {
        print("^", terminator: String())
    }
    open override class func printAChild() {
        // Print bird emoji
        print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F426)!), terminator: String())
    }
}
```

The `DomesticCanary` class changes the initializers to match the edits made in its superclass: `DomesticBird`.

The following table summarizes the list of protocols to which each of the new versions of the classes we created conforms:

| <b>Class name</b> | <b>Conforms to the following protocol(s)</b>                             |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Animal            | AnimalProtocol                                                           |
| Mammal            | AnimalProtocol <b>and</b> MammalProtocol                                 |
| DomesticMammal    | AnimalProtocol, MammalProtocol, <b>and</b> DomesticProtocol              |
| Dog               | AnimalProtocol, MammalProtocol, DomesticProtocol, <b>and</b> DogProtocol |
| TerrierDog        | AnimalProtocol, MammalProtocol, DomesticProtocol, <b>and</b> DogProtocol |
| SmoothFoxTerrier  | AnimalProtocol, MammalProtocol, DomesticProtocol, <b>and</b> DogProtocol |
| Cat               | AnimalProtocol, MammalProtocol, DomesticProtocol, <b>and</b> CatProtocol |
| Bird              | AnimalProtocol <b>and</b> BirdProtocol                                   |
| DomesticBird      | AnimalProtocol, BirdProtocol, <b>and</b> DomesticProtocol                |
| DomesticCanary    | AnimalProtocol, BirdProtocol, DomesticProtocol                           |

The following simplified UML diagram shows the hierarchy tree for the protocols and classes and their relationship:



The following lines create an instance of `Dog` named `pluto`, an instance of `Cat` named `marie`, and an instance of `DomesticCanary` named `tweety`. Then, the next lines call the `talk` method for the three instances and make `pluto` bark at `tweety`. It is possible to use `tweety` as the `otherDomestic` argument for the `bark` method because it is an instance of `DomesticCanary`, and it conforms to the `DomesticProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_05_12` folder:

```
var pluto = Dog(age: 7, name: "Pluto", favoriteToy: "Teddy bear")
var marie = Cat(age: 4, isPregnant: true, name: "Marie",
favoriteToy: "Tennis ball")
var tweety = DomesticCanary(age: 2, feathersColor: "Yellow",
name: "Tweety", favoriteToy: "Small bell")

tweety.talk()
pluto.bark(times: 3, otherDomestic: tweety)
marie.talk()
pluto.talk()
```

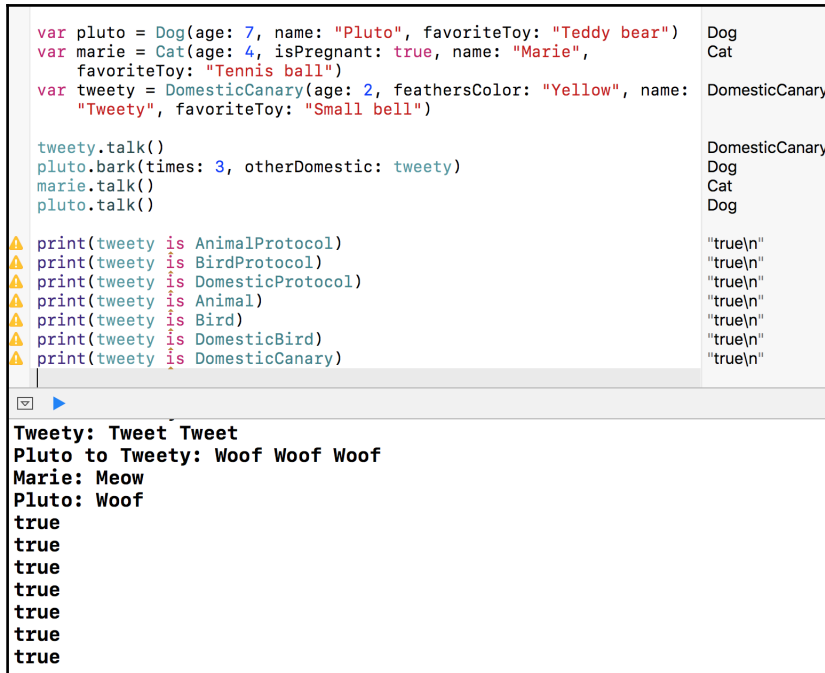
The following lines show the output generated by the last four lines of code:

```
Tweety: Tweet Tweet
Pluto to Tweety: Woof Woof Woof
Marie: Meow
Pluto: Woof
```

If we execute the following lines in the Playground, all of them will display `true` as a result because `tweety` is an instance of a class that conforms to three protocols: `AnimalProtocol`, `BirdProtocol`, and `DomesticProtocol`. In addition, `tweety` belongs to `Animal`, `Bird`, `DomesticBird`, and `DomesticCanary`:

```
print(tweety is AnimalProtocol)
print(tweety is BirdProtocol)
print(tweety is DomesticProtocol)
print(tweety is Animal)
print(tweety is Bird)
print(tweety is DomesticBird)
print(tweety is DomesticCanary)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground. Note that the Playground uses an icon to let us know that all the `is` tests will always be evaluated to `true`:



```
var pluto = Dog(age: 7, name: "Pluto", favoriteToy: "Teddy bear")
var marie = Cat(age: 4, isPregnant: true, name: "Marie",
  favoriteToy: "Tennis ball")
var tweety = DomesticCanary(age: 2, feathersColor: "Yellow", name:
  "Tweety", favoriteToy: "Small bell")

tweety.talk()
pluto.bark(times: 3, otherDomestic: tweety)
marie.talk()
pluto.talk()

print(tweety is AnimalProtocol)
print(tweety is BirdProtocol)
print(tweety is DomesticProtocol)
print(tweety is Animal)
print(tweety is Bird)
print(tweety is DomesticBird)
print(tweety is DomesticCanary)
```

Tweety: Tweet Tweet  
Pluto to Tweety: Woof Woof Woof  
Marie: Meow  
Pluto: Woof  
true  
true  
true  
true  
true  
true  
true

## Exercises

Create the following protocols to solve the problem explained in Chapter 1, *Objects from the Real-World to the Playground*:

- AbstractShape
- AbstractRegularPolygon
- AbstractEllipse
- AbstractRectangle
- AbstractCircle



After you create the protocols, create classes that implement them based on the specifications explained in Chapter 1, *Objects from the Real-World to the Playground*.

The following table summarizes the list of protocols to which each of the classes you must create will conform:

| Class name          | Conforms to the following protocol(s)    |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Shape               | AbstractShape                            |
| Rectangle           | AbstractRectangle and AbstractShape      |
| RegularPolygon      | AbstractRegularPolygon and AbstractShape |
| Ellipse             | AbstractEllipse and AbstractShape        |
| Circle              | AbstractCircle and AbstractShape         |
| EquilateralTriangle | AbstractRegularPolygon and AbstractShape |
| Square              | AbstractRegularPolygon and AbstractShape |
| RegularHexagon      | AbstractRegularPolygon and AbstractShape |

## Test your knowledge

1. A class can conform to:
  1. Only one protocol
  2. One or more protocols
  3. A maximum of two protocols
2. When a class conforms to a protocol:
  5. It cannot inherit from a class
  6. It can inherit from an abstract class
  7. It can also inherit from a class
3. A protocol:
  1. Can inherit from another protocol
  2. Can inherit from a class
  3. Cannot inherit from another protocol
4. A protocol:
  1. Is a type
  2. Is a method
  3. Is the base class for other classes

5. When we specify a protocol as the type for an argument:
  1. We can use any type method that conforms to the specified protocol as an argument
  2. We can use any protocol that conforms to the specified protocol as an argument
  3. We can use any instance of a class that conforms to the specified protocol as an argument
6. If we want a protocol to be accessed outside of the module that defines it, which access modifier should we use to declare it?
  1. `open`
  2. `public`
  3. `filepublic`

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned about the declaration and combination of multiple blueprints to generate a single instance. We declared protocols with different types of requirements. Then, we created many classes that conformed to these protocols.

We worked with type casting to understand how protocols work as types. Finally, we combined protocols with classes to take advantage of multiple inheritance in Swift 3. We combined inheritance for protocols and classes.

Now that you have learned about protocols, multiple inheritance, and contract-based programming, we are ready to maximize code reuse with generic code and parametric polymorphism.

# 6

## Maximization of Code Reuse with Generic Code

In this chapter, you will learn about parametric polymorphism and how Swift implements this object-oriented concept through the possibility of writing generic code. We will use classes that work with one and two constrained generic types.

In addition, you will learn to combine the generic code with inheritance and multiple inheritance to demonstrate the usage of generic code in real-life situations, in which the code becomes more complex than the usage of a simple generic class.

### Understanding parametric polymorphism and generic code

Let's imagine we want to organize a party for specific animals. We don't want to mix cats with dogs because the party would end up with the dogs chasing cats. We want a party, and we don't want intruders. However, at the same time, we want to take advantage of the procedures we create to organize the party and replicate them with frogs in another party; it would be a party of frogs. We want to reuse the procedures for either dogs or frogs. However, in future, we will probably want to use them with other animals, such as parrots, lions, tigers, and horses.

In the previous chapter, you learned how to work with protocols. We can declare a protocol to specify the requirements for an animal and then take advantage of Swift features to write a generic code that works with any class that implements the protocol. *Parametric polymorphism* allows us to write generic and reusable code that can work with values without depending on the type, while keeping the full static-type safety.

We can take advantage of parametric polymorphism in Swift through generics, also known as generic programming. Once we declare a protocol that specifies the requirements for an animal, we can create a class that works with any instance that conforms to this protocol. This way, we can reuse the code that generates a party of dogs and create a party of frogs, parrots, or any other animal, that is, a party of any instance of a class that conforms to the animal protocol.



Other strongly typed programming languages, such as C# and Java, allow us to work with parametric polymorphism through generics. In case you've worked with these programming languages, you will find that the Swift syntax is very similar. The main difference is that Swift uses protocols instead of interfaces.

Other programming languages work with a different philosophy known as duck typing, where the presence of certain attributes or properties and methods make an object suitable to its usage as a specific animal. With duck typing, if we require animals to have a name property and we provide sing and dance methods, we can consider any object an animal as long as it provides the required name property and both the sing and dance methods. Any instance that provides the required property and methods can be used as an animal.

Let's think about the following situation: we see a bird. The bird quacks, swims, and walks like a duck, so we can call this bird a duck. Very similar examples related to a bird and duck generate the *duck typing* name. We don't need additional information to work with the bird as a duck. Python, JavaScript, and Ruby are examples of languages where duck typing is extremely popular.



We can also work with duck typing in Swift. However, it requires many workarounds, and it is not the most natural way of working in Swift. Thus, we will focus our efforts on writing a generic code with parametric polymorphism through generics.

## Declaring a protocol to be used as a constraint

We will create an `AnimalProtocol` protocol to specify the requirements that a type must meet in order to be considered an animal. Then, we will create an `Animal` base class that conforms to this protocol, and then, we will specialize this class in three subclasses: `Dog`, `Frog`, and `Lion`. Then, we will create a `Party` class that will be able to work with the instances of any class that conforms to the `AnimalProtocol` protocol through generics. We will work with a party of dogs, a party of frogs, and a party of lions.

Then, we will create a `DeeJayProtocol` protocol and generate a `HorseDeeJay` class that conforms to this new protocol. We will create a subclass of the `Party` class named `PartyWithDeeJay`, which will use generics to work with the instances of any type that conforms to the `AnimalProtocol` protocol and the instances of any type that conforms to the `DeeJayProtocol` interface. We will work with a party of dogs with a DJ.



In this case, we will use the `Protocol` suffix to make it easy to differentiate protocols from classes in our sample code for this chapter. However, take into account that this is not a convention for Swift code. It just makes it easier to understand how generics work.

Now, it is time to code one of the protocols that will be used as a constraint later when we define the class that takes advantage of generics. The following lines show the code for the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. The `public` modifier followed by the `protocol` keyword and the protocol name, `AnimalProtocol`, composes the protocol declaration. The first line of code imports `Foundation` because we will need this import for other classes that we will add later. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_01` folder:

```
import Foundation

public protocol AnimalProtocol {
    var name: String { get }

    init (name: String)

    func dance()
    func say(message: String)
    func sayGoodbyeTo(destination: AnimalProtocol)
    func sayWelcomeTo(destination: AnimalProtocol)
    func sing()
}
```

The protocol declares a read-only `name: String` stored property and five method requirements: `dance`, `say`, `sayGoodbyeTo`, `sayWelcomeTo`, and `sing`. As you learned in the previous chapter, the protocol includes only the method declaration because the classes that conform to `AnimalProtocol` are responsible for providing the implementation of the `name` stored or computed property and the other five methods.

In addition, the protocol specifies an initializer requirement. The initializer requires a name argument, so we will make sure that we will be able to create an instance of any class that conforms to this protocol by providing a value to a name argument during initialization. The following line specifies the initializer requirement:

```
init (name: String)
```

## Declaring a class that conforms to multiple protocols

Now, we will declare a class named `Animal` that conforms to both the previously defined `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols. The latter is a fundamental type in Swift. In order to conform to the `Equatable` protocol, we must implement the `==` operator function for the `Animal` class to determine the equality of the instances after we declare the class. This way, we will be able to determine the equality of the instances of classes that implement the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. We can read the class declaration as “the `Animal` class implements both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols.” Take a look at the following code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_01` folder:

```
open class Animal: AnimalProtocol, Equatable {
    open let name: String
    open var danceCharacters: String {
        get {
            return String()
        }
    }

    open var spelledSound1: String {
        get {
            return String()
        }
    }
    open var spelledSound2: String {
        get {
            return String()
        }
    }
    open var spelledSound3: String {
        get {
            return String()
        }
    }
}
```

```
public required init(name: String) {
    self.name = name
}
open func dance() {
    print("(name) dances (danceCharacters)")
}
open func say(message: String) {
    print("(name) says: (message)")
}
open func sayGoodbyeTo(destination: AnimalProtocol) {

    print("(name) says goodbye to (destination.name):
    (spelledSound1) (spelledSound2) (spelledSound3)")
}
open func sayWelcomeTo(destination: AnimalProtocol) {
    print("(name) welcomes (destination.name): (spelledSound2)")
}

open func sing() {
    let spelledSingSound = spelledSound1 + " ";
    let separator = ". "
    var song = "(name) sings: "
    for _ in 1...3 {
        song += spelledSingSound
    }
    song += separator
    for _ in 1...2 {
        song += spelledSingSound
    }
    song += separator
    song += spelledSingSound
    song += separator
    print(song)
}
}
public func ==(left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return ((type(of: left) == type(of: right)) && (left.name ==
    right.name))
}
```

The `Animal` class declares an initializer that assigns the value of the required name argument to the read-only `name` stored property. Note that the initializer declaration uses the `required` keyword because it implements the initializer requirement specified in the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. A required initializer must be as accessible as its enclosing type. In this case, the enclosing type is the `Animal` class, declared with the open access modifier. We must use `public` to declare the required initializer because `open` cannot be used with initializers:

```
public required init(name: String) {
```

The class declared the following four `String` computed read-only properties. All of them define a getter method that returns an empty string and that the subclasses will override, with appropriate strings according to the animal:

- `danceCharacters`
- `spelledSound1`
- `spelledSound2`
- `spelledSound3`

The `dance` method uses the value retrieved from the `danceCharacters` property to print a message indicating that the animal is dancing. The `say` method prints the message received as an argument. Both the `sayWelcomeTo` and `sayGoodbyeTo` methods receive `AnimalProtocol` as an argument, which they use to print the name of the destination of the message. The `sayWelcomeTo` method uses a combination of the strings retrieved from `spelledSound1` and `spelledSound3` to say welcome to another animal. The `sayGoodbyeTo` method uses the string retrieved from `spelledSound2` to say goodbye to another animal.

The `==` operator function receives two `Animal` instances as arguments and checks whether the value of the name property and type for both the instances are the same. In a more complex scenario, we might want to code this method to compare the values of more properties to determine the equality. In our case, we will assume that the same animal with the same name is exactly the same animal. For example, two frogs named Kermit are considered to be one frog. Remember that we need to write the `==` operator function to make the `Animal` class conform to the `Equatable` protocol.



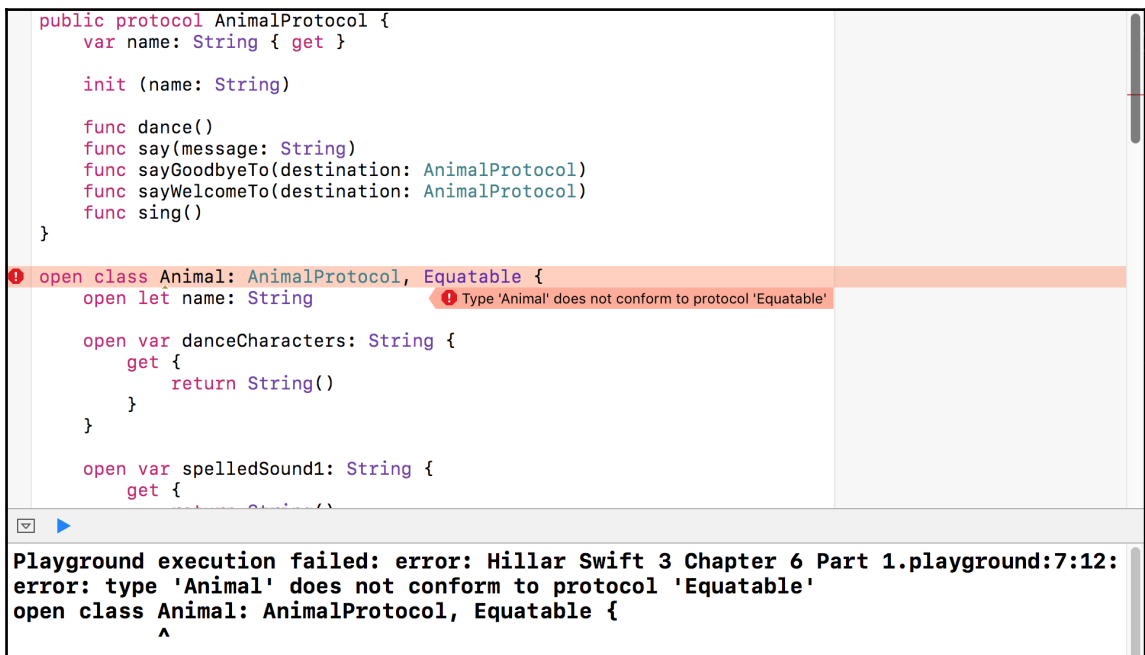
If we comment out the lines that declare the == operator function, the `Animal` class won't conform to the `Equatable` protocol anymore. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_02` folder:

```
/* public func ==(left: Animal, right: Animal) -> Bool {
    return ((left.dynamicType == right.dynamicType) && (left.name ==
    right.name))
} */
```

After we comment out the previous lines, the execution in the Playground will fail, and we will see the following error:

```
error: type 'Animal' does not conform to protocol 'Equatable'
open class Animal: AnimalProtocol, Equatable {
    ^
```

Swift indicates to us that the class doesn't conform to the `Equatable` protocol. The following screenshot shows the Playground with the generated error after we comment out the previous lines that declared the == operator function:



Now that we have checked the results of removing the lines that declared the `==` operator function, we can uncomment it, and the `Animal` class will conform to the `Equatable` protocol again. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder.

## Declaring subclasses that inherit the conformance to protocols

We have an `Animal` class that conforms to both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols. Now, we will create a subclass of `Animal`, a `Dog` class, which overrides the string computed properties defined in the `Animal` class to provide the appropriate values for a dog. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
open class Dog: Animal {
    open override var spelledSound1: String {
        get {
            return "Woof"
        }
    }
    open override var spelledSound2: String {
        get {
            return "Woooooof"
        }
    }
    open override var spelledSound3: String {
        get {
            return "Grr"
        }
    }
    open override var danceCharacters: String {
        get {
            return "/-\ \-\ /-/"
        }
    }
}
```

With just a few additional lines of code, we will create another subclass of `Animal`, which is a `Frog` class that also overrides the string's read-only properties defined in the `Animal` class to provide the appropriate values for a frog, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
open class Frog: Animal {
    open override var spelledSound1: String {
        get {
            return "Ribbit"
        }
    }
    open override var spelledSound2: String {
        get {
            return "Croak"
        }
    }
    open override var spelledSound3: String {
        get {
            return "Croooaaak"
        }
    }
    open override var danceCharacters: String {
        get {
            return "/|\ \\/ ^ ^ "
        }
    }
}
```

Finally, we will create another subclass of `Animal`, which is a `Lion` class that also overrides the string's read-only properties defined in the `Animal` class to provide the appropriate values for a lion, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
open class Lion: Animal {
    open override var spelledSound1: String {
        get {
            return "Roar"
        }
    }
    open override var spelledSound2: String {
        get {
            return "Rrroarr"
        }
    }
}
```

```
    open override var spelledSound3: String {
        get {
            return "Rrrrrrrroarrrrrr"
        }
    }
    open override var danceCharacters: String {
        get {
            return "*-* ** *|* ** "
        }
    }
}
```

We have three classes that inherit the conformance to protocols from its base class, which is `Animal`. The following three classes conform to both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols, without including the conformance within the class declaration, but inheriting it:

- Dog
- Frog
- Lion

## Declaring a class that works with a constrained generic type

The following lines declare a `PartyError` enum that conforms to the `ErrorType` protocol. This way, we will be able to throw a specific exception in the next class that we will create. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
public enum PartyError: Error {
    case insufficientMembersToRemoveLeader
    case insufficientMembersToVoteLeader
}
```



In case you worked with previous Swift versions, take into account that Swift 3 renamed `ErrorType` to `Error`. Swift 3 uses lowerCamelCase for enumeration values.

The following lines declare a `Party` class that takes advantage of generics to work with many types. The class name is followed by a less than sign (`<`), an `AnimalElement` name that identifies the generic type parameter, a colon (`:`), and a protocol name that the `AnimalElement` generic type parameter must conform to, which is the `AnimalProtocol` protocol. The greater than sign (`>`) ends the type constraint declaration that is included within angle brackets (`< >`). Then, we follow it with the `where` keyword, followed by `AnimalElement` (which identified the type) and a colon (`:`) that indicates that the `AnimalElement` generic type parameter has to be of a type that also conforms to another protocol, that is, the `Equatable` protocol. The following code highlights the lines that use the `AnimalElement` generic type parameter. Remember that we imported `Foundation` in the first line when we started creating the first protocol. We require the import for the `arc4random_uniform` function. In case you work with the web-based sandbox or Linux, the code won't use this function because it won't be easily available. In these cases, the code will execute another line that generates an integer each time we run the code. It is not an exactly equivalent line but it will provide us the results we need for this example. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
open class Party<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol> where
AnimalElement: Equatable {
    private var members = [AnimalElement]()
    open var leader: AnimalElement
    init(leader: AnimalElement) {
        self.leader = leader
        members.append(leader)
    }
    open func add(member: AnimalElement) {
        members.append(member)
        leader.sayWelcomeTo(destination: member)
    }
    open func remove(member: AnimalElement) throws -> AnimalElement?
    {
        if (member == leader) {
            throw PartyError.insufficientMembersToRemoveLeader
        }
        if let memberIndex = members.index(of: member) {
            let removedMember = members.remove(at: memberIndex)
            removedMember.sayGoodbyeTo(destination: leader)
            return removedMember
        } else {
            return AnimalElement?.none
        }
    }
}
```

```
open func dance() {
    for (_, member) in members.enumerated() {
        member.dance()
    }
}
open func sing() {
    for (_, member) in members.enumerated() {
        member.sing()
    }
}
open func voteLeader() throws {
    if (members.count == 1) {
        throw PartyError.insufficientMembersToVoteLeader
    }
    var newLeader = leader
    while (newLeader == leader) {
        #if os(Linux)
            // The following line of code will only be executed if the
            // underlying operating system is Linux
            // Only BSD-based operating systems provide
            // arc4random_uniform in Swift
            // However, take into account that the lines aren't
            // equivalent
            // We use this solution for this example only and to make it
            // possible
            // to run the code in either the Swift web-based sandbox or
            // Swift on Linux
            let randomLeaderIndex =
                Int(NSDate().timeIntervalSinceReferenceDate) % members.count
        #else
            // The following line runs on macOS, iOS, tvOS and watchOS
            let randomLeaderIndex =
                Int(arc4random_uniform(UInt32(members.count)))
        #endif
        newLeader = members[randomLeaderIndex]
    }
    leader.say(message: "(newLeader.name) has been voted as our
    new party leader.")
    newLeader.dance()
    leader = newLeader
}
}
```

Now, we will analyze many code snippets to understand how the code included in the `Party<AnimalElement>` class works. The following line starts the class body, declares a `private Array<AnimalElement>` of the type specified by `AnimalElement`, and initializes it with an empty `Array<AnimalElement>`. `Array` uses generics to specify the type of the elements that will be accepted and added to the array. In this case, we will use the array shorthand `[AnimalElement]` that is equivalent to `Array<AnimalElement>`, that is, an array of elements whose type is `AnimalElement` or conforms to the `AnimalElement` protocol, as follows:

```
private var members = [AnimalElement]()
```

The previous line is equivalent to the following line:

```
private var members = Array<AnimalElement>()
```

The following line declares an open `Leader` property whose type is `AnimalElement`:

```
open var leader: AnimalElement
```

The following lines declare an initializer that receives a `leader` argument whose type is `AnimalElement`. The argument specifies the first party leader and also the first member of the party, that is, the first element added of `members Array<AnimalElement>`:

```
init(leader: AnimalElement) {
    self.leader = leader
    members.append(leader)
}
```

The following lines declare the `add` method, which receives a `member` argument whose type is `AnimalElement`. The code adds the member received as an argument to `membersArray<AnimalElement>` and calls the `leader.sayWelcomeTo` method with `member` as an argument to make the party leader welcome the new member:

```
open func add(member: AnimalElement) {
    members.append(member)
    leader.sayWelcomeTo(member)
}
```

The following lines declare the `remove` method, which receives a `member` argument whose type is `AnimalElement`, returns an optional `AnimalElement` (`AnimalElement?`), and throws exceptions. The `throws` keyword after the method arguments and before the returned type indicates that the method can throw exceptions. The code checks whether the member to be removed is the party leader. The method throws a `PartyError.insufficientMembersToRemoveLeader` exception in case the member is the party leader.

The code returns an optional `AnimalElement` (`AnimalElement?`). The code calls `retrives` the index for the member received as an argument and then calls the `remove` method for the `Array<AnimalElement>` array with this index as an argument. Finally, the code calls the `sayGoodbyeTo` method for the successfully removed member. This way, the member that leaves the party says goodbye to the party leader. In case the member isn't removed, the method returns `none`, specifically, `AnimalElement?.none`:

```
open func remove(member: AnimalElement) throws -> AnimalElement? {
    if (member == leader) {
        throw PartyError.insufficientMembersToRemoveLeader
    }
    if let memberIndex = members.index(of: member) {
        let removedMember = members.remove(at: memberIndex)
        removedMember.sayGoodbyeTo(destination: leader)
        return removedMember
    } else {
        return AnimalElement?.none
    }
}
```

The following lines declare the `dance` method, which calls the method with the same name for each member of `membersArray<AnimalElement>`. As we declare the method as `open`, we will be able to override this method in a future subclass:

```
open func dance() {
    for (_, member) in members.enumerated() {
        member.dance()
    }
}
```

The following lines declare the `sing` method, which calls the method with the same name for each member of `membersArray<AnimalElement>`. We will also be able to override this method in a future subclass:

```
open func sing() {
    for (_, member) in members.enumerated() {
        member.sing()
    }
}
```



Finally, the following lines declare the `voteLeader` method, which throws exceptions. As it happened in another method, the `throws` keyword after the method arguments indicates that the method can throw exceptions. The code makes sure that there are at least two members in `membersArray<AnimalElement>` when we call this method. In case we just have one member, the method throws a `PartyError.insufficientMembersToVoteLeader` exception. If we have at least two members, the code generates a new random leader for the party, which is different from the existing one. The code calls the `say` method for the actual leader to explain to the other party members that another leader is voted. Finally, the code calls the `dance` method for the new leader and sets the new value to the `leader` stored property:

```
open func voteLeader() throws {
    if (members.count == 1) {
        throw PartyError.insufficientMembersToVoteLeader
    }
    var newLeader = leader
    while (newLeader == leader) {
        #if os(Linux)
            // The following line of code will only be executed if the
            // underlying operating system is Linux
            // Only BSD-based operating systems provide arc4random_uniform
            // in Swift
            // However, take into account that the lines aren't equivalent
            // We use this solution for this example only and to make it
            // possible
            // to run the code in either the Swift web-based sandbox or
            // Swift on Linux
            let randomLeaderIndex =
                Int(NSDate().timeIntervalSinceReferenceDate) % members.count
        #else
            // The following line runs on macOS, iOS, tvOS and watchOS
            let randomLeaderIndex =
                Int(arc4random_uniform(UInt32(members.count)))
        #endif

        newLeader = members[randomLeaderIndex]
    }
    leader.say(message: "(newLeader.name) has been voted as our new
party leader.")
    newLeader.dance()
    leader = newLeader
}
```

## Using a generic class for multiple types

We can create instances of the `Party<AnimalElement>` class by replacing the `AnimalElement` generic type parameter with any type name that conforms to the constraints specified in the declaration of the `Party<AnimalElement>` class. So far, we have three concrete classes that implement both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols: `Dog`, `Frog`, and `Lion`. Thus, we can use `Dog` to create an instance of `Party<Dog>`—that is, a `Party` instance of `Dog` objects. The following code shows the lines that create four instances of the `Dog` class: `jake`, `duke`, `lady`, and `dakota`. Then, the code creates a `Party<Dog>` instance named `dogsParty` and passes `jake` as the `leader` argument to the initializer. This way, we will create a party of dogs, and `Jake` is the party leader. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
var jake = Dog(name: "Jake")
var duke = Dog(name: "Duke")
var lady = Dog(name: "Lady")
var dakota = Dog(name: "Dakota")
var dogsParty = Party<Dog>(leader: jake)
```

The `dogsParty` instance will only accept a `Dog` instance for all the arguments in which the class definition uses the generic type parameter named `AnimalElement`. The following lines add the previously created three instances of `Dog` to the dogs' party by calling the `add` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
dogsParty.add(member: duke)
dogsParty.add(member: lady)
dogsParty.add(member: dakota)
```

The following lines call the `dance` method to make all the dogs dance, remove a member that isn't the party leader, vote a new leader, and finally call the `sing` method to make all the dogs sing. We will add the `try` keyword before the calls to `remove` and `voteLeader` because these methods can throw exceptions. In this case, we don't check the result returned by `remove`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
dogsParty.dance()
try dogsParty.remove(member: duke)
try dogsParty.voteLeader()
dogsParty.sing()
```

The following lines create an instance of the `Dog` class named `coby`. Then, the code calls the `removeMember` method and prints a message in case the method returns an instance of `Dog`. If the optional `Dog` (`Dog?`) returned by the method does not contain a value, the code prints a message indicating that the dog isn't removed. Because we haven't added `Coby` to the dog's party, it won't be removed. Then, we will use similar code to remove `lady`. In case she was selected as the random leader, the method will throw an exception. In case she wasn't selected, the code will print a message indicating that `lady` is removed. Remember that the `remove` method returns `AnimalElement?`, which in this case is translated into a `Dog?` return type. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_03` folder:

```
var coby = Dog(name: "Coby")
if let removedMember = try dogsParty.remove(member: coby) {
    print("(removedMember.name) has been removed")
} else {
    print("(coby.name) hasn't been removed")
}
if let removedMember = try dogsParty.remove(member: lady) {
    print("(removedMember.name) has been removed")
} else {
    print("(lady.name) hasn't been removed")
}
```

The following lines show the output after we run the preceding code snippets in the Playground. However, don't forget that there is a random selection of the new leader, and the results will vary in each execution. In case you run the code in the web-based sandbox or Swift on Linux, you will see a few warnings and a fatal error in case the execution generates that the party leader has to be removed. Remember to run the code many times to see the effects of the different flows:

```
Jake welcomes Duke: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Lady: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Dakota: Woooooof
Jake dances /- - /-/
Duke dances /- - /-/
Lady dances /- - /-/
Dakota dances /- - /-/
Duke says goodbye to Jake: Woof Woooooof Grr
Jake says: Dakota has been voted as our new party leader.
Dakota dances /- - /-/
Jake sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Lady sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Dakota sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Coby hasn't been removed
Lady says goodbye to Dakota: Woof Woooooof Grr
Lady has been removed
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <code>var jake = Dog(name: "Jake")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Dog                          |
| <code>var duke = Dog(name: "Duke")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Dog                          |
| <code>var lady = Dog(name: "Lady")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Dog                          |
| <code>var dakota = Dog(name: "Dakota")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Dog                          |
| <code>var dogsParty = Party&lt;Dog&gt;(leader: jake)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                   | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>dogsParty.add(member: duke)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>dogsParty.add(member: lady)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>dogsParty.add(member: dakota)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>dogsParty.dance()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>try dogsParty.remove(member: duke)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                               | Dog                          |
| <code>try dogsParty.voteLeader()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>dogsParty.sing()</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Party<Dog>                   |
| <code>var coby = Dog(name: "Coby")</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Dog                          |
| <code>if let removedMember = try dogsParty.remove(member: coby) {</code><br><code>print("\(removedMember.name) has been removed")</code><br><code>} else {</code><br><code>print("\(coby.name) hasn't been removed")</code><br><code>}</code> | "Coby hasn't been removed\n" |
| <code>if let removedMember = try dogsParty.remove(member: lady) {</code><br><code>print("\(removedMember.name) has been removed")</code><br><code>} else {</code><br><code>print("\(lady.name) hasn't been removed")</code><br><code>}</code> | "Lady has been removed\n"    |

☐ ▶  
**Jake welcomes Duke: Woouoof**  
**Jake welcomes Lady: Woouoof**  
**Jake welcomes Dakota: Woouoof**  
**Jake dances /-\ \-\ /-/**  
**Duke dances /-\ \-\ /-/**  
**Lady dances /-\ \-\ /-/**  
**Dakota dances /-\ \-\ /-/**  
**Duke says goodbye to Jake: Woof Woouoof Grr**  
**Jake says: Dakota has been voted as our new party leader.**  
**Dakota dances /-\ \-\ /-/**  
**Jake sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .**  
**Lady sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .**  
**Dakota sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .**  
**Coby hasn't been removed**  
**Lady says goodbye to Dakota: Woof Woouoof Grr**  
**Lady has been removed**

We can use `Frog` to create an instance of `Party<Frog>`. The following code creates four instances of the `Frog` class: `frog1`, `frog2`, `frog3`, and `frog4`. Then, the code creates a `Party<Frog>` instance named `frogsParty` and passes `frog1` as the `leader` argument. This way, we can create a party of frogs, and `Frog #1` is their party leader. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_04` folder:

```
var frog1 = Frog(name: "Frog #1")
var frog2 = Frog(name: "Frog #2")
var frog3 = Frog(name: "Frog #3")
var frog4 = Frog(name: "Frog #4")
var frogsParty = Party<Frog>(leader: frog1)
```

The `frogsParty` instance will only accept a `Frog` instance for all the arguments in which the class definition uses the generic type parameter named `T`. The following lines add the previously created three instances of `Frog` to the `frogsParty` by calling the `add` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_04` folder:

```
frogsParty.add(member: frog2)
frogsParty.add(member: frog3)
frogsParty.add(member: frog4)
```

The following lines call the `dance` method to make all the frogs dance, remove a member that isn't the party leader, vote a new leader, and finally call the `sing` method to make all the frogs sing. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_04` folder:

```
frogsParty.dance()
try frogsParty.remove(member: frog3)
try frogsParty.voteLeader()
frogsParty.sing()
```

The following lines show the output after we run the preceding code snippets in the Playground. However, don't forget that there is a random selection of the new frog's party leader, and the results will vary in each execution:

```
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #2: Croak
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #3: Croak
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #4: Croak
Frog #1 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #2 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #3 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #4 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #3 says goodbye to Frog #1: Ribbit Croak Croooaaak
Frog #1 says: Frog #2 has been voted as our new party leader.
Frog #2 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #1 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #2 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #4 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results:

The screenshot shows a code editor with the following code:

```
var frog1 = Frog(name: "Frog #1")
var frog2 = Frog(name: "Frog #2")
var frog3 = Frog(name: "Frog #3")
var frog4 = Frog(name: "Frog #4")
var frogsParty = Party<Frog>(leader: frog1)

frogsParty.add(member: frog2)
frogsParty.add(member: frog3)
frogsParty.add(member: frog4)

frogsParty.dance()
try frogsParty.remove(member: frog3)
try frogsParty.voteLeader()
frogsParty.sing()
```

The output of the code execution is:

```
Frog
Frog
Frog
Frog
Party<Frog>
Party<Frog>
Party<Frog>
Party<Frog>
Party<Frog>
Frog
Party<Frog>
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #2: Croak
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #3: Croak
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #4: Croak
Frog #1 dances /\ \\/ ^ ^
Frog #2 dances /\ \\/ ^ ^
Frog #3 dances /\ \\/ ^ ^
Frog #4 dances /\ \\/ ^ ^
Frog #3 says goodbye to Frog #1: Ribbit Croak Croooaaak
Frog #1 says: Frog #4 has been voted as our new party leader.
Frog #4 dances /\ \\/ ^ ^
Frog #1 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #2 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #4 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
```

We can use `Lion` to create an instance of `Party<Lion>`. The following code creates three instances of the `Lion` class: `simba`, `nala`, and `mufasa`. Then, the code creates a `Party<Lion>` instance named `lionsParty` and passes `simba` as the `leader` argument.

This way, we can create a party of lions, and Simba is the party leader. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_05` folder:

```
var simba = Lion(name: "Simba")
var nala = Lion(name: "Nala")
var mufasa = Lion(name: "Mufasa")
var lionsParty = Party<Lion>(leader: simba)
```

The `lionsParty` instance will only accept a `Lion` instance for all the arguments in which the class definition uses the generic type parameter named `AnimalElement`. The following lines add the previously created two instances of `Lion` to the lions' party by calling the `add` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_05` folder:

```
lionsParty.add(member: nala)
lionsParty.add(member: mufasa)
```

The following lines call the `sing` method and then the `dance` method to make all the lions sing and dance. Then, the code calls the `voteLeader` method to select a new random leader and finally tries to remove `nala` from the party by calling the `remove` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_05` folder:

```
lionsParty.sing()
lionsParty.dance()
try lionsParty.voteLeader()
try lionsParty.remove(member: nala)
```

The following lines show the output after we run the preceding code snippets in the Playground:

```
Simba welcomes Nala: Rrroarr
Simba welcomes Mufasa: Rrroarr
Simba sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar .
Nala sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar .
Mufasa sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar .
Simba dances *- * * *|* **
Nala dances *- * * *|* **
Mufasa dances *- * * *|* **
Simba says: Mufasa has been voted as our new party leader.
Mufasa dances *- * * *|* **
Nala says goodbye to Mufasa: Roar Rrroarr Rrrrrrroarrrrr
```



The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>var simba = Lion(name: "Simba") var nala = Lion(name: "Nala") var mufasa = Lion(name: "Mufasa") var lionsParty = Party&lt;Lion&gt;(leader: simba)  lionsParty.add(member: nala) lionsParty.add(member: mufasa)  lionsParty.sing() lionsParty.dance() try lionsParty.voteLeader() try lionsParty.remove(member: nala)</pre>                                                                                                                             | <pre>Lion Lion Lion Party&lt;Lion&gt; Party&lt;Lion&gt; Party&lt;Lion&gt; Party&lt;Lion&gt; Lion</pre> |
| <pre>Simba welcomes Nala: Rrroarr Simba welcomes Mufasa: Rrroarr Simba sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar . Nala sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar . Mufasa sings: Roar Roar Roar . Roar Roar . Roar . Simba dances *- * * * * ** Nala dances *- * * * * ** Mufasa dances *- * * * * ** Simba says: Mufasa has been voted as our new party leader. Mufasa dances *- * * * * ** Nala says goodbye to Mufasa: Roar Rrroarr Rrrrrrroarrrrrr</pre> |                                                                                                        |

If we try to call the `add` method with the wrong type in the `member` argument for an instance of `Party<Lion>`, the code won't compile. For example, if we pass a `Dog` instance in the `member` argument, Swift cannot convert an instance of `Dog` to the required argument type (`Lion`). Thus, the following line won't be executed in the Playground because `lady` is an instance of `Dog`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_06` folder:

```
lionsParty.add(member: lady)
```

The following lines show the error message indicating to us that Swift cannot convert `Dog` to `Lion`:

```
error: cannot convert value of type 'Dog' to expected argument type 'Lion'
lionsParty.add(member: lady)
                    ^~~~
```

## Combining initializer requirements in protocols with generic types

We included an initializer requirement when we declared the `AnimalProtocol` protocol, so we know the necessary arguments to create an instance of any class that conforms to this protocol. We will add a new method that creates an instance of the generic type `AnimalElement` and adds it to the party members in the `Party<AnimalElement>` class.

The following lines show the code for the new `createAndAddMember` method that receives a `nameString` argument and returns an instance of the generic type `AnimalElement`. We add the method to the body of the `Party<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol>` where `AnimalElement: Equatable` open class declaration. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_07` folder:

```
open func createAndAddMember(name: String) -> AnimalElement {
    let newMember = AnimalElement(name: name)
    add(member: newMember)
    return newMember
}
```

The method uses the generic type `AnimalElement` and passes the `name` argument to create a new instance called `newMember`. Then, the code calls the `add` method with `newMember` as the `member` argument and finally returns the recently created instance.

The following lines call the recently added `createAndAddMember` method to create and add a new `Lion` instance with the name initialized to `King` to the `lionsPartyParty<Lion>` instance. Then, the next line calls the `say` method for the returned instance. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_07` folder:

```
let king = lionsParty.createAndAddMember(name: "King")
king.say(message: "My name is King")
```

The next lines show the output generated when we enter the previous lines at the end of our Playground:

```
Simba welcomes King: Rrroarrrr
King says: My name is King
```

## Declaring associated types in protocols

Now, we want to declare a `PartyProtocol` protocol and make the generic `Party<AnimalElement>` class conform to this new protocol. The main challenge is to specify the type for both the method arguments and returned values. In the generic class, we will use the generic type parameter, but protocols don't allow us to use them.

Associated types allow us to solve the problem. We can declare one or more associated types as part of the protocol definition. In this case, we just need one associated type to provide us with a placeholder name—also known as alias—to a type that we will use as part of the protocol and that will be specified during the protocol implementation, that is, when we declare a class that conforms to the protocol. It is just necessary to use the `associatedtype` keyword followed by the desired name for the associated type, and then, we can use the name in our requirements' declarations.

The following lines show the declaration of the `PartyProtocol` protocol. We must declare the protocol before the open class `Party<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol>` where `AnimalElement: Equatable` { line that starts the declaration of the `Party<AnimalElement>` class that we want to edit to make it conform to this new protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_08` folder:

```
public protocol PartyProtocol {
    associatedtype MemberType
    init(leader: MemberType)
    func createAndAddMember(name: String) -> MemberType
    func add(member: MemberType)
    func remove(member: MemberType) throws -> MemberType?
    func dance()
    func sing()
    func voteLeader() throws
}
```

The first line within the protocol body declares an associated type named `MemberType`. Then, the initializer and method requirements use `MemberType` to specify the type that the generic class that conforms to this protocol will replace with the generic type parameter name.

The following code shows the first lines of the new declaration of the `Party<AnimalElement>` class that conforms to the recently created `PartyProtocol`. After the type constraint included within angle brackets (`< >`), the class declaration adds a colon (`:`) followed by the protocol to which the generic class conforms: `PartyProtocol`. Then, the declaration adds the `where` keyword followed by the additional type constraint (`AnimalElement: Equatable`). As we specified an initializer requirement in the `PartyProtocol` protocol, we have to add `public required` as a prefix before the `init` declaration. The rest of the code for the class remains without changes. The following code shows the first lines of the declaration with the two lines that were edited, highlighted:

```
open class Party<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol>:  
PartyProtocol where AnimalElement: Equatable {  
    private var members = [AnimalElement]()  
    open var leader: AnimalElement  
    public required init(leader: AnimalElement) {  
        self.leader = leader  
        members.append(leader)  
    }  
  
    /* The rest of the code for the class remains without changes */  
}
```



The usage of an associated type in the protocol declaration allows us to create a protocol that can be implemented with a class that uses generics.

## Creating shortcuts with subscripts

We want to create a shortcut to access the members of the party. Subscripts are very useful to generate shortcuts to access the members of any array, collection, list, or sequence. Subscripts can define getter and/or setter methods, which receive the argument specified in the subscript declaration. In this case, we will add a read-only subscript to allow us to retrieve a member of the party through its index value indicated within square brackets. Thus, the subscript will only define a getter method.

We will use `UInt` as the type for the index argument because we don't want negative integer values, and the getter for the subscript will return an optional type. In case the index value received is an invalid value, the getter will return `none`.

First, we will add the following line to the `PartyProtocol` protocol body. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_09` folder:

```
subscript(index: UInt) -> MemberType? { get }
```

We included the `subscript` keyword followed by the argument name and its required type—which is the returned type, `MemberType?`—and the requirement for just a getter method, `get`. The requirements for the getter and/or setter methods are included with the same syntax we used for properties' requirements in protocols. Remember that `MemberType` is the associated type we added to the `PartyProtocol` protocol.

Now, we have to add the code that implements the previously defined `subscript` in the `Party<AnimalElement>` class. We must add the following code after the `open class Party<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol>: PartyProtocol` where `AnimalElement: Equatable` { line that starts the declaration of the `Party<AnimalElement>` class that we want to edit to make it conform to the changes in the `PartyProtocol` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_09` folder:

```
open subscript(index: UInt) -> AnimalElement? {
    get {
        if (index <= UInt(members.count - 1)) {
            return members[Int(index)]
        } else {
            return AnimalElement?.none
        }
    }
}
```

After making the preceding changes, we can specify an `UInt` value enclosed in square brackets after an instance of `Party<AnimalElement>` to retrieve an instance of `AnimalElement`—specifically `AnimalElement?`—from the party. The following lines show examples of its usage with the `Party<Lion>` instance named `lionsParty`. The first two lines retrieve a `Lion` instance and print the value for its `name` property because the array has a member both at index 0 and index 1. However, the array doesn't have a member at index 50, so the else condition will be executed in this case. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_09` folder:


```
if let lion = lionsParty[0] {
    print(lion.name)
}
if let lion = lionsParty[1] {
    print(lion.name)
}
```

```
if let lion = lionsParty[50] {
    print(lion.name)
} else {
    print("There is no lion with that index value")
}
```

The following lines show the output generated in the Playground after making the changes to the `PartyProtocol` protocol and the `Party<AnimalElement>` class and executing the preceding code:

```
Simba
Nala
There is no lion with that index value
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results:



The screenshot displays a Swift Playground interface. The code editor on the left contains the following code:

```
let king = lionsParty.createAndAddMember(name: "King")
king.say(message: "My name is King")

if let lion = lionsParty[0] {
    print(lion.name)
}
if let lion = lionsParty[1] {
    print(lion.name)
}
if let lion = lionsParty[50] {
    print(lion.name)
} else {
    print("There is no lion with that index value")
}
```

The right-hand pane shows the output of the code execution:

```
Lion
Lion
"Simba\n"
"Nala\n"
"There is no lion with that index value\n"
```

Below the code editor, a blue play button is visible. The bottom pane shows the final output of the program:

```
Nala dances *- * ** *|* **
Mufasa dances *- * ** *|* **
Simba welcomes King: Rrroarr
King says: My name is King
Simba
Nala
There is no lion with that index value
```

## Declaring a class that works with two constrained generic types

Now, it is time to code another protocol that will be used as a constraint later, when we define another class that takes advantage of generics with two constrained generic types. The following lines show the code for the `DeeJayProtocol` protocol. The `public` modifier followed by the `protocol` keyword and the protocol name, `DeeJayProtocol`, composes the protocol declaration, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
public protocol DeeJayProtocol {
    var name: String { get }
    init(name: String)
    func playMusicToDance()
    func playMusicToSing()
}
```

The protocol declares a `name: String` read-only stored property and two method requirements: `playMusicToDance` and `playMusicToSing`. As you

learned in the previous chapter, the protocol includes only the method declaration because the classes that conform to the `DeeJayProtocol` protocol will be responsible for providing the implementation of the `name` stored property and the other two methods.

In addition, the protocol specifies an initializer requirement. The initializer requires a `name` argument; therefore, we will make sure that we will be able to create an instance of any class that conforms to this protocol by providing a value to a `name` argument during the initialization.

Now, we will declare a class named `HorseDeeJay` that conforms to the previously defined `DeeJayProtocol` protocol. We can read the class declaration as “The `HorseDeeJay` class implements the `DeeJayProtocol` protocol.” Take a look at the following code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
open class HorseDeeJay: DeeJayProtocol {
    open let name: String
    public required init(name: String) {
        self.name = name
    }
}
```

```
open func playMusicToDance() {
    print("My name is (name). Let's Dance.")
    // Multiple musical notes emoji icon
    print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F3B6)!))
    // Dancer emoji icon
    print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F483)!))
}
open func playMusicToSing() {
    print("Time to sing!")
    // Guitar emoji icon
    print(String(UnicodeScalar(0x01F3B8)!))
}
}
```

The `HorseDeeJay` class declares an initializer that assigns the value of the required `name` argument to the `name` read-only stored property. The class declares a `name` read-only stored property.

The `playMusicToDance` method prints a message that displays the horse DJ name and invites the party members to dance. Then, it prints the multiple musical notes and dancer emoji icons. The `playMusicToSing` method prints a message that invites the party members to sing. Then, it prints a guitar emoji icon.

The following lines declare a subclass of the previously created `Party<AnimalElement>` class that takes advantage of generics to work with two constrained types. The type constraints declaration is included within angle brackets (`< >`). In this case, we have two generic type parameters: `AnimalElement` and `DeeJayElement`. The generic type parameter named `AnimalElement` must conform to the `AnimalProtocol` protocol and also the `Equatable` protocol, as it happened in the `Party<AnimalElement>` superclass. The generic type parameter named `DeeJayElement` must conform to the `DeeJayProtocol` protocol. The `where` keyword allows us to add a second constraint to the generic type parameter named `AnimalElement`. This way, the class specifies constraints for both the `AnimalElement` and `DeeJayElement` generic type parameters.



Don't forget that we are talking about a subclass of `Party<AnimalElement>`; therefore, we inherited a required initializer that only receives a `leader` argument. We overrode this required initializer with code that calls the `fatalError` function to print a message and stop execution. This way, we make sure that the inherited required initializer cannot be used with this class. The following code highlights the lines that use the `DeeJayElement` generic type parameter. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
open class PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement:
AnimalProtocol, DeeJayElement: DeeJayProtocol>:
Party<AnimalElement> where AnimalElement: Equatable {
    public var deeJay: DeeJayElement
    init(leader: AnimalElement, deeJay: DeeJayElement) {
        self.deeJay = deeJay
        super.init(leader: leader)
    }

    public required init(leader: AnimalElement) {
        fatalError("init(leader:) has not been implemented")
    }

    open override func dance() {
        deeJay.playMusicToDance()
        super.dance()
    }

    open override func sing() {
        deeJay.playMusicToSing()
        super.sing()
    }
}
```

Now, we will analyze many code snippets to understand how the code included in the `PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class works. The following line starts the class body and declares a public `deeJay` stored property of the type specified by `DeeJayElement`:

```
public var deeJay: DeeJayElement
```

The following lines declare an initializer that receives two arguments—`leader` and `deeJay`—whose types are `AnimalElement` and `DeeJayElement`. The arguments specify the first party leader, the first member of the party, and the DJ that will make the party members dance and sing. Note that the initializer calls the initializer defined in its superclass—that is, the `Party<AnimalElement> init` method—with `leader` as an argument:

```
init(leader: T, deeJay: K) {
    self.deeJay = deeJay
    super.init(leader: leader)
}
```

The following lines declare a `dance` method, which overrides the method with the same declaration included in the superclass. The code calls the `deeJay.playMusicToDance` method and then the `super.dance` method, that is, the `dance` method defined in the `Party<AnimalElement>` superclass:

```
public override func dance() {
    deeJay.playMusicToDance()
    super.dance()
}
```

Finally, the following lines declare a `sing` method, which overrides the method with the same declaration included in the superclass. The code calls the `deeJay.PlayMusicToSing` method and then calls the `super.sing` method, that is, the `sing` method defined in the `Party<AnimalElement>` superclass:

```
public override func sing() {
    deeJay.playMusicToSing()
    super.sing()
}
```

## Using a generic class with two generic type parameters

We can create instances of the `PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class by replacing both the `AnimalElement` and `DeeJayElement` generic type parameters with any type names that conform to the constraints specified in the declaration of the `PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class. We have three concrete classes that implement both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols: `Dog`, `Frog`, and `Lion`. We have one class that conforms to the `DeeJayProtocol` protocol: `HorseDeeJay`. Thus, we can use `Dog` and `HorseDeeJay` to create an instance of `PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>`.

The following lines create a `HorseDeeJay` instance named `silver`. Then, the code creates a `PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>` instance named `silverParty` and passes `jake` and `silver` as arguments. This way, we can create a party of dogs with a horse DJ, where `Jake` is the party leader, and `Silver` is the DJ. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
var silver = HorseDeeJay(name: "Silver")
var silverParty = PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>(leader: jake,
deeJay: silver)
```

The `silverParty` instance will only accept a `Dog` instance for all the arguments in which the class definition uses the generic type parameter named `T`. The following lines add the previously created three instances of `Dog` to the party by calling the `add` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
silverParty.add(member: duke)
silverParty.add(member: lady)
silverParty.add(member: dakota)
```

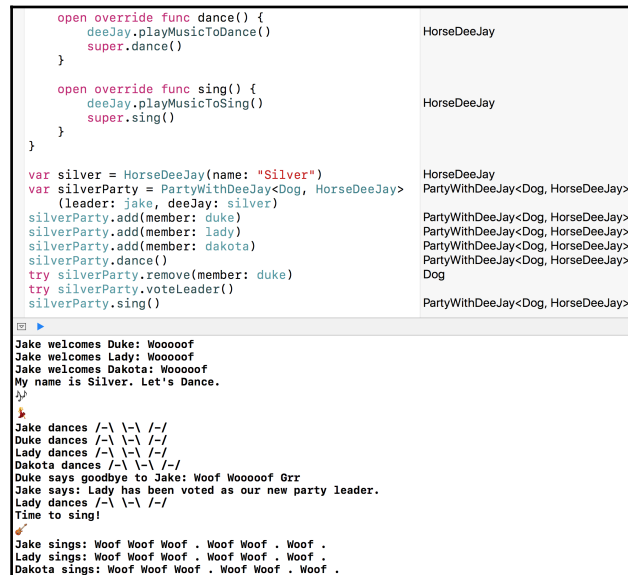
The following lines call the `dance` method to make the DJ invite all the dogs to dance and then make them dance. Then, the code removes a member that isn't the party leader, votes on a new leader, and finally calls the `sing` method to make the DJ invite all the dogs to sing and then make them sing. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_10` folder:

```
silverParty.dance()
try silverParty.remove(member: duke)
try silverParty.voteLeader()
silverParty.sing()
```

The following lines show the generated output after we run the added code. The lines include text with descriptions instead of the emoji icons:

```
Jake welcomes Duke: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Lady: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Dakota: Woooooof
My name is Silver. Let's Dance.
Multiple musical notes emoji icon
Dancer emoji icon
Jake dances /- - /-/
Duke dances /- - /-/
Lady dances /- - /-/
Dakota dances /- - /-/
Duke says goodbye to Jake: Woof Woooooof Grr
Jake says: Lady has been voted as our new party leader.
Lady dances /- - /-/
Time to sing!
Guitar emoji icon
Jake sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Lady sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Dakota sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results, including the emoji icons:



```
open override fun dance() {
    deeJay.playMusicToDance()
    super.dance()
}
HorseDeeJay

open override fun sing() {
    deeJay.playMusicToSing()
    super.sing()
}
HorseDeeJay

var silver = HorseDeeJay(name: "Silver")
var silverParty = PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
    (leader: jake, deeJay: silver)
HorseDeeJay
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
silverParty.add(member: duke)
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
silverParty.add(member: lady)
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
silverParty.add(member: dakota)
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
silverParty.dance()
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
try silverParty.remove(member: duke)
Dog
try silverParty.voteLeader()
PartyWithDeeJay<Dog, HorseDeeJay>
silverParty.sing()

Jake welcomes Duke: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Lady: Woooooof
Jake welcomes Dakota: Woooooof
My name is Silver. Let's Dance.
🎵
🕺
Jake dances /- \- /-/
Duke dances /- \- /-/
Lady dances /- \- /-/
Dakota dances /- \- /-/
Duke says goodbye to Jake: Woof Woooooof Grr
Jake says: Lady has been voted as our new party leader.
Lady dances /- \- /-/
Time to sing!
🎸
Jake sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Lady sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
Dakota sings: Woof Woof Woof . Woof Woof . Woof .
```

The following lines create a `PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>` instance named `silverAndFrogsParty` and passes `frog1` and `silver` as arguments. This way, we can create a party of frogs with a horse DJ, where `Frog #1` is the party leader, and `Silver` is the DJ. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_11` folder:

```
var silverAndFrogsParty = PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>
    (leader: frog1, deeJay: silver)
```

The `silverAndFrogsParty` instance will only accept a `Frog` instance for all the arguments in which the class definition uses the generic type parameter named `T`. The following lines add the previously created two instances of `Frog` to the party by calling the `add` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_11` folder:

```
silverAndFrogsParty.add(member: frog2)
silverAndFrogsParty.add(member: frog3)
```

The following lines call the `dance` method to make the DJ invite all the dogs to dance and then make them dance. Finally, the code calls the `sing` method to make the DJ invite all the dogs to sing and then make them sing. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_11` folder:

```
silverAndFrogsParty.dance()
silverAndFrogsParty.sing()
```

The following lines show the generated output after we run the added code. The lines include text with descriptions instead of the emoji icons:

```
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #2: Croak
Frog #1 welcomes Frog #3: Croak
My name is Silver. Let's Dance.
Multiple musical notes emoji icon
Dancer emoji icon
Frog #1 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #2 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Frog #3 dances /| |/ ^ ^
Time to sing!
Guitar emoji icon
Frog #1 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #2 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
Frog #3 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the execution results, including the emoji icons:



```
var silverAndFrogsParty = PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>(leader: frog1, deeJay: silver)
silverAndFrogsParty.add(member: frog2)
silverAndFrogsParty.add(member: frog3)
silverAndFrogsParty.dance()
silverAndFrogsParty.sing()
```

PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>  
PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>  
PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>  
PartyWithDeeJay<Frog, HorseDeeJay>

My name is Silver. Let's Dance.  
🎤  
🐸  
Frog #1 dances /\ \ / ^ ^  
Frog #2 dances /\ \ / ^ ^  
Frog #3 dances /\ \ / ^ ^  
Time to sing!  
🎸  
Frog #1 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .  
Frog #2 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .  
Frog #3 sings: Ribbit Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit Ribbit . Ribbit .

## Inheriting and adding associated types in protocols

Now, we want to declare a `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol` protocol and make the generic `PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class conform to this new protocol. We will make this protocol inherit from the previously created `PartyProtocol` that defined a `MemberType` associated type. Thus, the `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol` protocol will inherit this associated type. We have to specify another associated type that will be specified during the protocol implementation, that is, when we declare the class that conforms to the new protocol.

The following lines show the declaration of the `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol` protocol that inherits from the `PartyProtocol` protocol. We must declare the protocol before the `open class PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol, DeeJayElement: DeeJayProtocol>: Party<AnimalElement>` where `AnimalElement: Equatable` line that starts the declaration of the `PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class that we want to edit to make it conform to this new protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_12` folder:

```
public protocol PartyWithDeeJayProtocol: PartyProtocol {
    associatedtype DeeJayType
    init(leader: MemberType, deeJay: DeeJayType)
}
```

The first line within the protocol body declares an associated type named `DeeJayType`. Then, the initializer requirement uses the inherited `MemberType` associatedtype and the new `DeeJayType` associatedtype to specify the types that the generic class conforming to this protocol will replace with the generic type parameter names.

The following code shows the first lines of the new declaration of the `Party<AnimalElement, DeeJayElement>` class that conforms to the recently created `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol` protocol. After the type constraints included within the angle brackets (`< >`) and the semicolon (`:`) followed by the class from which the class inherits, `Party<AnimalElement>`, the class declaration adds a comma (`,`), followed by the protocol to which the generic class conforms: `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol`. As we specified an initializer requirement in the `PartyWithDeeJayProtocol` protocol, we have to add `public required` as a prefix before the `init` declaration that receives an `AnimalElement`, `leader`, and a `DeeJayElement`, `deeJay`, as arguments. The rest of the code for the class remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_12` folder:

```
open class PartyWithDeeJay<AnimalElement: AnimalProtocol,  
DeeJayElement: DeeJayProtocol>: Party<AnimalElement>,  
PartyWithDeeJayProtocol where AnimalElement: Equatable {  
    public var deeJay: DeeJayElement  
    public required init(leader: AnimalElement,  
        deeJay: DeeJayElement) {  
        self.deeJay = deeJay  
        super.init(leader: leader)  
    }  
  
    public required init(leader: AnimalElement) {  
        fatalError("init(leader:) has not been implemented")  
    }  
}
```

```
open override func dance() {
    deeJay.playMusicToDance()
    super.dance()
}
open override func sing() {
    deeJay.playMusicToSing()
    super.sing()
}
}
```

## Generalizing existing classes with generics

In Chapter 3, *Encapsulation of Data with Properties*, we created a class to represent a mutable 3D vector named `MutableVector3D` and a class to represent an immutable version of a 3D vector named `ImmutableVector3D`.

Both the versions were capable of working with 3D vectors with `Float` values for `x`, `y`, and `z`. We now realize that we also have to work with 3D vectors with `Double` values for `x`, `y`, and `z` in both classes. We definitely don't want to create two new classes, such as `MutableDoubleVector3D` and `ImmutableDoubleVector3D`. We can take advantage of generics to create two classes capable of working with elements of any floating point type supported in Swift—that is, either `Float`, `Float80`, or `Double`.

We want to create the following two classes:

- `MutableVector3D<T>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<T>`

It is a pretty simple task. We just have to replace `Float` with the generic type parameter, `T`, and change the class declaration to include the necessary generic type constraint. In previous Swift versions, we didn't have protocols that allowed us to easily build the generic type constraint for this case because the `FloatingPointType` protocol didn't declare the necessary arithmetic operations that we require in our class. However, in Swift 3, the `FloatingPointType` protocol has been renamed to `FloatingPoint` and includes the necessary arithmetic operations.



The following lines show the code for the new `MutableVector3D<T>` class, that is able to work with any floating point numeric type that conforms to the `FloatingPoint` protocol, such as `Float` and `Double`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_13` folder:

```
open class MutableVector3D<T: FloatingPoint> {
    open var x: T
    open var y: T
    open var z: T
    init(x: T, y: T, z: T) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
    open func sum(deltaX: T, deltaY: T, deltaZ: T) {
        x += deltaX
        y += deltaY
        z += deltaZ
    }
    open func printValues() {
        print("X: (self.x), Y: (self.y), Z: (self.z)")
    }
}
```

Now, we will follow the same approach to generate an `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class. The following lines show the code for the new `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class:

```
open class ImmutableVector3D<T: FloatingPoint> {
    open let x: T
    open let y: T
    open let z: T
    init(x: T, y: T, z: T) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
    open func summed(deltaX: T, deltaY: T, deltaZ: T) ->
    ImmutableVector3D<T> {
        return ImmutableVector3D<T>(x: x + deltaX, y: y + deltaY, z:
        z + deltaZ)
    }
    open func printValues() {
        print("X: (self.x), Y: (self.y), Z: (self.z)")
    }
}
```

```
open class func makeEqualElements(initialValue: T) ->
ImmutableVector3D<T> {
    return ImmutableVector3D<T>(x: initialValue, y: initialValue,
    z: initialValue)
}
open class func makeOrigin() -> ImmutableVector3D<T> {
    return makeEqualElements(initialValue: 0)
}
}
```

Double, Float and Float80 conform to the FloatingPoint protocol. Thus, we can create instances of any of the following:

- MutableVector3D<Double>
- MutableVector3D<Float>
- MutableVector3D<Float80>
- ImmutableVector3D<Double>
- ImmutableVector3D<Float>
- ImmutableVector3D<Float80>

The following lines create instances of the previously enumerated classes—that is, both MutableVector3D and ImmutableVector3D—with the generic type parameter set to Double, Float, and Float80. The code also calls the mutating sum or the nonmutating summed method for each instance. Then, the code calls the printValues method. The code file for the sample is included in the swift\_3\_oop\_chapter\_06\_13 folder:

```
let mutableVector0 = MutableVector3D<Double>(x: 10.1, y: 10.2,
z: 10.3)
mutableVector0.sum(deltaX: 3.4, deltaY: 4.52, deltaZ: 3.32)
mutableVector0.printValues()

let mutableVector1 = MutableVector3D<Float>(x: 3.456, y: 9.231,
z: 3.324)
mutableVector1.sum(deltaX: 3.411, deltaY: 4.232, deltaZ: 3.465)
mutableVector1.printValues()

let mutableVector2 = MutableVector3D<Float80>(x: 7.2345, y: 2.3489,
z: 1.3485)
mutableVector2.sum(deltaX: 3.4113, deltaY: 1.2332, deltaZ: 1.3482)
mutableVector2.printValues()
```

```
let immutableVector0 = ImmutableVector3D<Double>(x: 10.1, y: 10.2,
z: 10.3)
let immutableVector1 = immutableVector0.summed(deltaX: 3.4,
deltaY: 4.52, deltaZ: 3.32)
immutableVector1.printValues()
let immutableVector2 = ImmutableVector3D<Float>(x: 3.456, y: 9.231,
z: 3.324)
let immutableVector3 = immutableVector2.summed(deltaX: 3.411,
deltaY: 4.232, deltaZ: 3.465)
immutableVector3.printValues()

let immutableVector4 = ImmutableVector3D<Float80>(x: 7.2345,
y: 2.3489, z: 1.3485)
let immutableVector5 = immutableVector4.summed(deltaX: 3.4113,
deltaY: 1.2332, deltaZ: 1.3482)
immutableVector5.printValues()
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
X: 13.5, Y: 14.72, Z: 13.62
X: 6.867, Y: 13.463, Z: 6.789
X: 10.6458, Y: 3.5821, Z: 2.6967
X: 13.5, Y: 14.72, Z: 13.62
X: 6.867, Y: 13.463, Z: 6.789
X: 10.6458, Y: 3.5821, Z: 2.6967
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the types generated in each line specified on the right-hand side:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre> open class func makeOrigin() -&gt; ImmutableVector3D {     return makeEqualElements(initialValue: 0) } </pre>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                           |
| <pre> let mutableVector0 = MutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt;(x: 10.1, y: 10.2, z: 10.3) mutableVector0.sum(deltaX: 3.4, deltaY: 4.52, deltaZ: 3.32) mutableVector0.printValues() </pre>                                                 | <pre> MutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt; </pre>    |
| <pre> let mutableVector1 = MutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt;(x: 3.456, y: 9.231, z: 3.324) mutableVector1.sum(deltaX: 3.411, deltaY: 4.232, deltaZ: 3.465) mutableVector1.printValues() </pre>                                           | <pre> MutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt; </pre>       |
| <pre> let mutableVector2 = MutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt;(x: 7.2345, y: 2.3489, z: 1.3485) mutableVector2.sum(deltaX: 3.4113, deltaY: 1.2332, deltaZ: 1.3482) mutableVector2.printValues() </pre>                                   | <pre> MutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt; MutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt; </pre> |
| <pre> let immutableVector0 = ImmutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt;(x: 10.1, y: 10.2, z: 10.3) let immutableVector1 = immutableVector0.summed(deltaX: 3.4, deltaY: 4.52, deltaZ: 3.32) immutableVector1.printValues() </pre>               | <pre> ImmutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt; ImmutableVector3D&lt;Double&gt; </pre>                              |
| <pre> let immutableVector2 = ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt;(x: 3.456, y: 9.231, z: 3.324) let immutableVector3 = immutableVector2.summed(deltaX: 3.411, deltaY: 4.232, deltaZ: 3.465) immutableVector3.printValues() </pre>         | <pre> ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt; ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float&gt; </pre>                                |
| <pre> let immutableVector4 = ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt;(x: 7.2345, y: 2.3489, z: 1.3485) let immutableVector5 = immutableVector4.summed(deltaX: 3.4113, deltaY: 1.2332, deltaZ: 1.3482) immutableVector5.printValues() </pre> | <pre> ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt; ImmutableVector3D&lt;Float80&gt; </pre>                            |
| <pre> X: 13.5, Y: 14.72, Z: 13.62 X: 6.867, Y: 13.463, Z: 6.789 X: 10.6458, Y: 3.5821, Z: 2.6967 X: 13.5, Y: 14.72, Z: 13.62 X: 6.867, Y: 13.463, Z: 6.789 X: 10.6458, Y: 3.5821, Z: 2.6967 </pre>                                  |                                                                                                           |

## Extending base types to conform to custom protocols

Now, we want to be able to use any of the integer types as types in our `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>` classes. We want to make the two classes capable of working with elements of any integer type supported in Swift, that is, any of the following types, in addition to the floating point types that the classes already support:

- `Int`
- `Int16`
- `Int32`
- `Int64`
- `Int8`
- `UInt`
- `UInt16`
- `UInt32`
- `UInt64`
- `UInt8`

It seems to be a pretty simple task. We would just have to replace the generic type constraint in each class declaration from `FloatingPoint` to a more generic protocol. We need a protocol to which all the previously enumerated types conform to, and to which the floating point types also conform. However, we will face a big problem: we don't have a protocol that will allow us to easily build the generic type constraint and make the two classes work. Let's analyze the problem first and then we will build a solution.

All the types we need to support conform to `SignedNumber`; therefore, our first approach might be to replace `FloatingPoint` with `SignedNumber` in the generic type constraint. This solution won't work in either the `MutableVector3D<T>` or the `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class. However, it is important to understand why it doesn't work. The following lines show the line that declares the `MutableVector3D<T>` class with the edit; the body of the class remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_14` folder:

```
open class MutableVector3D<T: SignedNumber> {
```

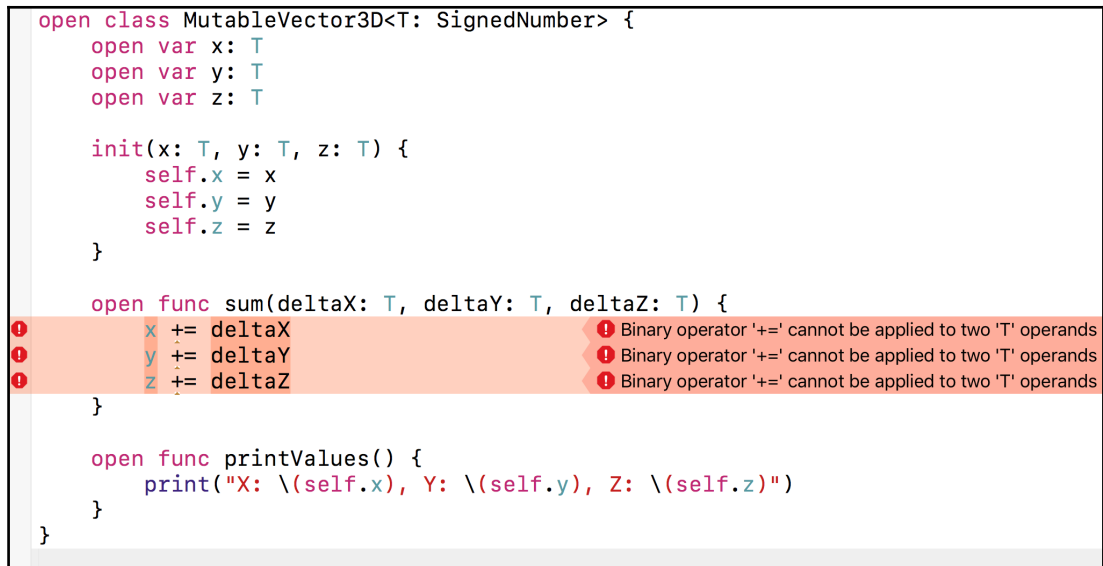
After we enter the previous code in the Playground, it will generate the following errors:

```
error: binary operator '+' cannot be applied to two 'T' operands
  x += deltaX
  ~ ^ ~~~~~~

error: binary operator '+' cannot be applied to two 'T' operands
  y += deltaY
  ~ ^ ~~~~~~

error: binary operator '+' cannot be applied to two 'T' operands
  z += deltaZ
  ~ ^ ~~~~~~
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the generated errors:

A screenshot of a Swift Playground window. The code defines a class `MutableVector3D` with three generic variables `x`, `y`, and `z` of type `T`. It has an `init` method and a `sum` method. The `sum` method contains three lines of code: `x += deltaX`, `y += deltaY`, and `z += deltaZ`. These three lines are highlighted in orange, and each has a red error icon to its left. To the right of the code, three error messages are displayed: "Binary operator '+' cannot be applied to two 'T' operands" for each of the three lines. Below the `sum` method, there is a `printValues` method that prints the values of `x`, `y`, and `z`.

The generated errors make it easy to understand the problem. The `SignedNumber` protocol doesn't require the `+=` operator, so we cannot apply the `+=` operator to the `T` operands that just conform to this protocol.

Now, let's try to generate the `ImmutableVector3D` class and check whether it works with a similar approach. The following lines show the line that declares the `ImmutableVector3D` class with the edit; the body of the class remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_15` folder:

```
open class ImmutableVector3D<T: SignedNumber> {
```

After we enter the previous code in the Playground, it will generate the following error:

```
error: binary operator '+' cannot be applied to two 'T' operands
      return ImmutableVector3D(x: x + deltaX, y: y + deltaY, z: z +
deltaZ)
                                ~ ^ ~~~~~
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the generated error:

```
open class ImmutableVector3D<T: SignedNumber> {
  open let x: T
  open let y: T
  open let z: T

  init(x: T, y: T, z: T) {
    self.x = x
    self.y = y
    self.z = z
  }

  open func summed(deltaX: T, deltaY: T, deltaZ: T) -> ImmutableVector3D {
    return ImmutableVector3D(x: x + deltaX, y: y + deltaY, z: z + deltaZ)
  }

  open func printValues() {
    print("X: \(self.x), Y: \(self.y), Z: \(self.z)")
  }

  open class func makeEqualElements(initialValue: T) -> ImmutableVector3D {
    return ImmutableVector3D<T>(x: initialValue, y: initialValue, z:
initialValue)
  }

  open class func makeOrigin() -> ImmutableVector3D {
    return makeEqualElements(initialValue: 0)
  }
}
```

As in the previous case, the generated error makes it easy to understand the problem. The `SignedNumber` protocol doesn't require the `+` operator, so we cannot apply the `+` operator to the `T` operands that just conform to this protocol.

Basically, we need all the integer and floating point types to do the following:

- Provide an initializer that creates an instance initialized to zero
- Implement the `+` operator
- Implement the `+=` operator

We just need to create a protocol that specifies these requirements and extends all the integer and floating point types we want to be used as types in our `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>` classes. We must extend these types to conform to the new protocol.

The following lines show the code that declares the new `NumericForVector` protocol. We must add these lines before the declaration of the existing classes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_16` folder:

```
public protocol NumericForVector {
    init()

    static func +(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Self
    static func +=(lhs: inout Self, rhs: Self)
}
```

The protocol declares an initializer without arguments. All the numeric types provide an initializer without arguments to generate a value of the type initialized to zero. It is exactly what we need to initialize our `Immutable3DVector` to an origin vector.

Then, the protocol declares the `+` static function that represents the `+` operator. The function requires two arguments, `lhs` and `rhs`, which are acronyms for left-hand side and right-hand side, to specify the values on the left-hand side and right-hand side of the operator. Both arguments are of the `Self` type.



In protocols, `Self` means the actual type that implements the protocol, and it is different from `self` with a lowercase `s` that we use in methods and that refers to the actual instance. The `+` static function returns `Self`, so the implementation of this function in `Double` receives two `Double` arguments and returns a `Double` argument with the result of the sum of the two received values. The implementation of this function in `Int` receives two `Int` arguments and returns an `Int` argument with the result of the sum of the the two received values.

Finally, the protocol declares the `+=` function that represents the `+=` operator. The function requires two arguments: `lhs` and `rhs`. In this case, the first argument is an in/out parameter as it includes the `inout` keyword at the start of the parameter definition. Thus, Swift passes the value of `lhs`, and the function can modify it and pass it back out of the function to replace the original value. Both arguments are of the `Self` type and the `+=` function returns `Self`.



Now, we have to extend all the floating point and integer types we want to be used as types in our `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>` classes to make it conform to the recently created `NumericForVector` protocol, as follows. We must add these lines after the declaration of the `NumericForVector` protocol and before the declaration of the classes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_16` folder:

```
// Floating point
extension Double: NumericForVector { }
extension Float: NumericForVector { }
extension Float80: NumericForVector { }
// Signed integers
extension Int: NumericForVector { }
extension UInt: NumericForVector { }
extension Int16: NumericForVector { }
extension Int32: NumericForVector { }
extension Int64: NumericForVector { }
extension Int8: NumericForVector { }

// Unsigned integers
extension UInt16: NumericForVector { }
extension UInt32: NumericForVector { }
extension UInt64: NumericForVector { }
extension UInt8: NumericForVector { }
```

We don't need to add code to make any of the numeric types conform to the new `NumericForVector` protocol because the types already implement the necessary actions to conform to the protocol. We just need to have a protocol that groups all the requirements to use it as a type constraint for the generic type in our two classes.

Now, we have to replace `SignedNumber` with `NumericForVector` in the generic type constraint for the `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>` classes. The following lines show the line that declares the `MutableVector3D<T>` class with the edit; the body of the class remains without changes. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_16` folder:

```
open class MutableVector3D<T: NumericForVector> {
```

The class name is followed by a less than sign (<), a `T` that identifies the generic type parameter, a colon (:), and a protocol name that the `T` generic type parameter must conform to, that is, the `NumericForVector` protocol. The protocol specifies the requirement for a `+=` function; therefore, the `sum` method can apply this operator to the stored properties (`x`, `y`, and `z`) and `delta` arguments (`deltaX`, `deltaY`, and `deltaZ`), all of them of the `T` type.

The following lines show the code for the new `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class that works as expected. The edited lines are highlighted. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_16` folder:

```
open class ImmutableVector3D<T: NumericForVector> {
    open let x: T
    open let y: T
    open let z: T
    init(x: T, y: T, z: T) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
    open func summed(deltaX: T, deltaY: T, deltaZ: T) ->
    ImmutableVector3D<T> {
        return ImmutableVector3D<T>(x: x + deltaX, y: y + deltaY, z:
        z + deltaZ)
    }
    open func printValues() {
        print("X: (self.x), Y: (self.y), Z: (self.z)")
    }
    open class func makeEqualElements(initialValue: T) ->
    ImmutableVector3D<T> {
        return ImmutableVector3D<T>(x: initialValue, y: initialValue,
        z: initialValue)
    }
    open class func makeOrigin() -> ImmutableVector3D<T> {
        let zero = T()
        return makeEqualElements(initialValue: zero)
    }
}
```

The class name is followed by a less than sign (<), a `T` that identifies the generic type parameter, a colon (:), and a protocol name that the `T` generic type parameter must conform to, that is, the `NumericForVector` protocol. The protocol specifies the requirement for a `+` function, so the `summed` method can apply this operator to the stored properties (`x`, `y`, and `z`) and `delta` arguments (`deltaX`, `deltaY`, and `deltaZ`) to use the results as arguments to create a new instance of `ImmutableVector3D<T>`.

The `originVector` type method calls the initializer without arguments to create a value of the `T` type initialized to zero. We can use this initializer because we specified it as a requirement in the `NumericForVector` protocol.

Now, we can create instances of any of the following:

- `MutableVector3D<Double>`
- `MutableVector3D<Float>`
- `MutableVector3D<Float80>`
- `MutableVector3D<Int>`
- `MutableVector3D<Int16>`
- `MutableVector3D<Int32>`
- `MutableVector3D<Int64>`
- `MutableVector3D<Int8>`
- `MutableVector3D<UInt>`
- `MutableVector3D<UInt16>`
- `MutableVector3D<UInt32>`
- `MutableVector3D<UInt64>`
- `MutableVector3D<UInt8>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Double>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Float>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Float80>`
  
- `ImmutableVector3D<Int>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Int16>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Int32>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Int64>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<Int8>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<UInt>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<UInt16>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<UInt32>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<UInt64>`
- `ImmutableVector3D<UInt8>`

The following lines create instances of `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>` with the generic type parameter set to `Int` and `UInt`. The code also calls the mutating `sum` or the nonmutating `summed` method for each instance. Then, the code calls the `printValues` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_06_16` folder:

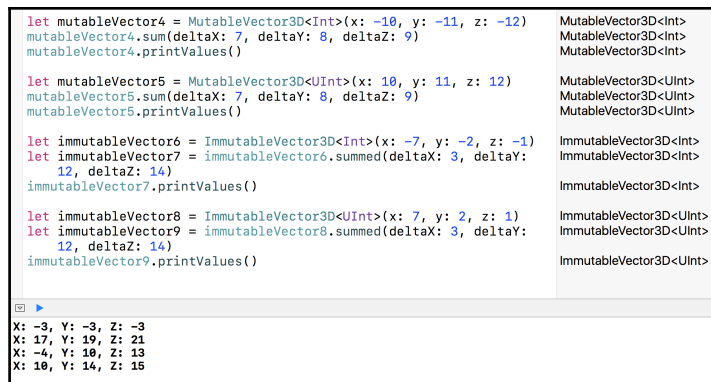
```
let mutableVector4 = MutableVector3D<Int>(x: -10, y: -11, z: -12)
mutableVector4.sum(deltaX: 7, deltaY: 8, deltaZ: 9)
mutableVector4.printValues()
let mutableVector5 = MutableVector3D<UInt>(x: 10, y: 11, z: 12)
mutableVector5.sum(deltaX: 7, deltaY: 8, deltaZ: 9)
mutableVector5.printValues()
let immutableVector6 = ImmutableVector3D<Int>(x: -7, y: -2, z: -1)
let immutableVector7 = immutableVector6.summed(deltaX: 3,
deltaY: 12, deltaZ: 14)
immutableVector7.printValues()

let immutableVector8 = ImmutableVector3D<UInt>(x: 7, y: 2, z: 1)
let immutableVector9 = immutableVector8.summed(deltaX: 3,
deltaY: 12, deltaZ: 14)
immutableVector9.printValues()
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
X: -3, Y: -3, Z: -3
X: 17, Y: 19, Z: 21
X: -4, Y: 10, Z: 13
X: 10, Y: 14, Z: 15
```

The following screenshot shows the Playground with the types generated in each line specified on the right-hand side:



## Test your knowledge

1. When we declare protocols, the `Self` keyword signifies:
  1. The type that implements the protocol.
  2. The instance of a class that conforms to the protocol.
  3. The instance of a struct that conforms to the protocol.
2. Generics allow us to declare a class that:
  1. Can use a generic type only as the type for stored and type properties.
  2. Can use a generic type only as an argument for its initializers.
  3. Can work with many generic types.
3. The open `class ImmutableVector3D<T: FloatingPoint>` line means:
  1. The generic type constraint specifies that `T` must conform to the `ImmutableVector3D` protocol or belong to the `ImmutableVector3D` class hierarchy.
  2. The generic type constraint specifies that `T` must conform to the `FloatingPoint` protocol or belong to the `FloatingPoint` class hierarchy.
  3. The class is a subclass of `FloatingPoint`.
4. The open `class Party<T: AnimalProtocol>` where `T: Equatable` line means:
  1. The generic type constraint specifies that `T` must conform to both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` protocols.
  2. The generic type constraint specifies that `T` must conform to either the `AnimalProtocol` or `Equatable` protocol.
  3. The class is a subclass of both the `AnimalProtocol` and `Equatable` classes.
5. The `associatedtype` keyword followed by the desired name allows us to declare:
  1. The generic type constraints, which is equivalent to the `where` keyword.
  2. An associated type for a protocol.
  3. An alias name for the protocol name.

## Exercises

Add the following operators to work with both `MutableVector3D<T>` and `ImmutableVector3D<T>`:

- `==`: This determines whether all the elements that compose a 3D vector ( $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ) are equal.
- `+`: This sums each element that composes a 3D vector and saves the result in each element or in the new returned instance according to the class version (mutable or immutable). The new  $x$  must have the result of the left-hand side  $x$  + right-hand side  $x$ , the new  $y$  must be that of the left-hand side  $y$  + right-hand side  $y$ , and the new  $z$  must be that of the left-hand side  $z$  + right-hand side  $z$ .

In Chapter 4, *Inheritance, Abstraction and Specialization*, we created an `Animal` class and then defined specific operator functions to allow us to use operators with instances of this class. Redefine this class to conform to both the `Comparable` and `Equatable` protocols.

The following lines show the source code for the `Equatable` protocol:

```
public protocol Equatable {
    static func ==(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
}
```

The following lines show the source code for the `Comparable` protocol, which inherits from the `Equatable` protocol:

```
public protocol Comparable : Equatable {
    static func <(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
    static func <=(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
    static func >=(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
    static func >(lhs: Self, rhs: Self) -> Bool
}
```

Implement all the necessary operator functions to make the `Animal` class conform to both the protocols.

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned how to maximize code reuse by writing code capable of working with objects of different types, that is, instances of classes that conform to specific protocols or whose class hierarchy includes specific superclasses. We worked with protocols and generics. We created classes capable of working with one or two constrained generic types.

We combined inheritance, protocols, and extensions to maximize the reusability of code. We could make classes work with many different types.

Now that you have learned about parametric polymorphism and generics, we are ready to combine object-oriented programming and functional programming, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 7

## Object-Oriented and Functional Programming

In this chapter, we will refactor existing code that doesn't use an object-oriented programming approach and make it easier to understand, expand, and maintain. We will discuss functional programming and how Swift implements many functional programming concepts. We will work with many examples of how to mix functional programming with object-oriented programming.

### **Refactoring code to take advantage of object-oriented programming**

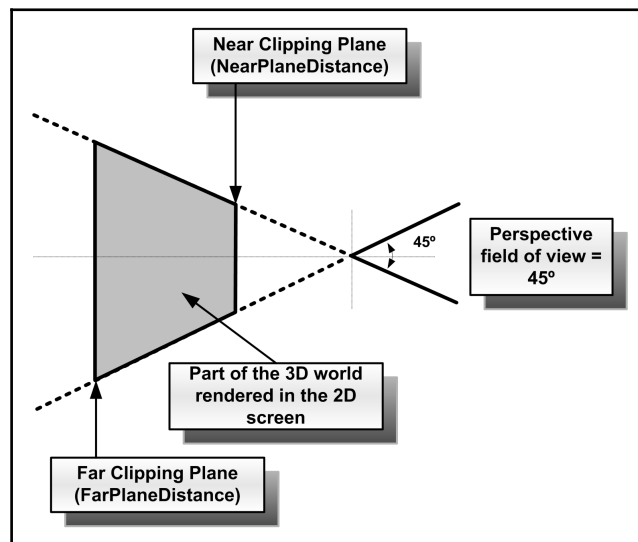
Sometimes, we are extremely lucky and have the possibility to follow best practices as we kick off a project. If we start writing object-oriented code from scratch, we can take advantage of all the features that we used in our examples throughout this book. As the requirements evolve, we might need to further generalize or specialize the blueprints. However, as we started our project with an object-oriented approach and by organizing our code, it is easier to make adjustments to the code.

Most of the time, we aren't extremely lucky and have to work on projects that don't follow best practices, and we, in the name of agility, generate pieces of code that perform similar tasks, but without decent organization. Instead of following the same bad practices that generate error-prone, repetitive, and difficult-to-maintain code, we can use the features provided by Xcode and additional helper tools to refactor existing code and generate object-oriented code that promotes code reuse and allows us to reduce maintenance headaches.



For example, imagine that we have to develop a universal app that allows us to work with 3D models and render them on the device screen. The requirements specify that the first 3D models that we will have to render are two: a sphere and a cube. The application must allow us to change the parameters of a perspective camera, which allows us to see a specific part of the 3D world rendered on the 2D screen (refer to Figure 1 and Figure 2):

- The **X**, **Y**, and **Z** positions
- The **X**, **Y**, and **Z** directions
- The **X**, **Y**, and **Z** up vectors



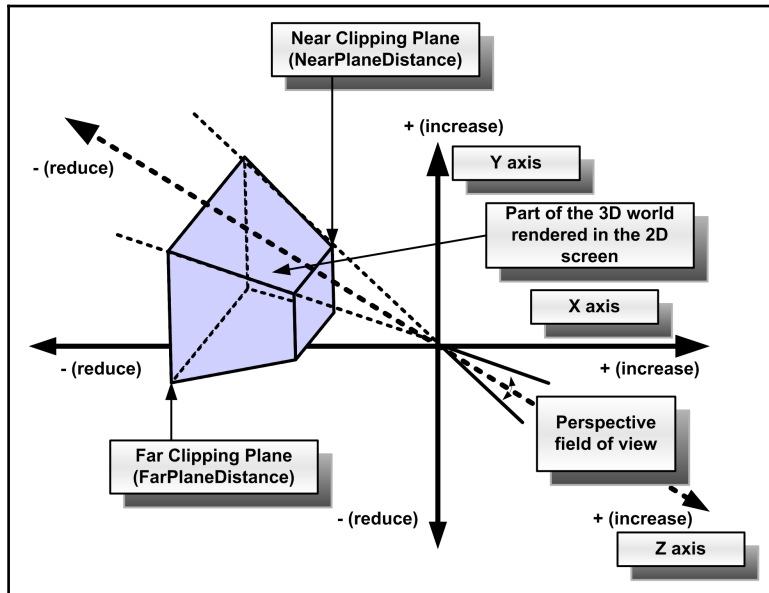
In addition, the application must allow us to change the values for the following parameters:

- **The perspective field of view in degrees:** This value determines the angle for the perspective camera's lens. A low value for this angle narrows the view. Thus, the models will appear larger in the lens with a perspective field of view of 45 degrees. A high value for this angle widens the view, so the models appear smaller in the visible part of the 3D world.
- **The near clipping plane:** The 3D region, which is visible on the 2D screen, is formed by a clipped pyramid called a frustum. This value controls the position of the plane that slices the top of the pyramid and determines the nearest part of the 3D world that the camera will render on the 2D screen. As the value is expressed taking into account the **Z** axis, it is a good idea to add code to check whether we are entering a valid value for this parameter.

- **The far clipping plane:** This value controls the position of the plane that slices the back of the pyramid and determines the more distant part of the 3D world that the camera will render on the 2D screen. The value is also expressed taking into account the **Z axis**; therefore, it is a good idea to add code to check whether we are entering a valid value for this parameter.

In addition, we can change the color of a directional light, that is, one that casts light in a specific direction, similar to sunlight.

Imagine that other developers started working on the project and generated a single Swift file with a class wrapper that declares many type methods that render a cube and a sphere. These functions receive all the necessary parameters to render each 3D figure—including the **X**, **Y**, and **Z** positions—determine the 3D figure's size, and configure the camera and directional light:



The following lines show an example of the declaration of a `SphereAndCube` class with two type methods: `renderSphere` and `renderCube`. As we might guess from the type method names, the first one renders a sphere, and the second one renders a cube. Take into account that the sample code doesn't follow best practices and we will refactor it. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_01` folder:

```
open class SphereAndCube {
  open static func renderSphere(
    x: Int, y: Int, z: Int, radius: Int,
    cameraX: Int, cameraY: Int, cameraZ: Int,
    cameraDirectionX: Int, cameraDirectionY: Int,
    cameraDirectionZ: Int,
    cameraVectorX: Int, cameraVectorY: Int, cameraVectorZ: Int,
    cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: Int,
    cameraNearClippingPlane: Int,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: Int,
    directionalLightX: Int, directionalLightY: Int,
    directionalLightZ: Int,
    directionalLightColor: Int)
  {
    print("Creating camera at X:(cameraX), Y:(cameraY),
    Z:(cameraZ)")
    print("Setting camera direction to X:(cameraDirectionX),
    Y:(cameraDirectionY), Z:(cameraDirectionZ)")
    print("Setting camera vector to X:(cameraVectorX),
    Y:(cameraVectorY), Z:(cameraVectorZ)")
    print("Setting camera perspective field of view to:
    (cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView)")
    print("Setting camera near clipping plane to:
    (cameraNearClippingPlane)")
    print("Setting camera far clipping plane to:
    (cameraFarClippingPlane)")
    print("Creating directional light at X:(directionalLightX),
    Y:(directionalLightY), Z:(directionalLightZ). Light color is
    (directionalLightColor)")
    print("Drawing sphere at X:(x), Y:(y), Z:(z)")
  }
  open static func renderCube(
    x: Int, y: Int, z: Int, edgeLength: Int,
    cameraX: Int, cameraY: Int, cameraZ: Int,
    cameraDirectionX: Int, cameraDirectionY: Int,
    cameraDirectionZ: Int,
    cameraVectorX: Int, cameraVectorY: Int, cameraVectorZ: Int,
    cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: Int,
    cameraNearClippingPlane: Int,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: Int,
    directionalLightX: Int, directionalLightY: Int,
```

```
        directionalLightZ: Int,
        directionalLightColor: Int)
    {
        print("Creating camera at X:(cameraX), Y:(cameraY),
Z:(cameraZ)")
        print("Setting camera direction to X:(cameraDirectionX),
Y:(cameraDirectionY), Z:(cameraDirectionZ)")
        print("Setting camera vector to X:(cameraVectorX),
Y:(cameraVectorY), Z:(cameraVectorZ)")
        print("Setting camera perspective field of view to:
(cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView)")
        print("Setting camera near clipping plane to:
(cameraNearClippingPlane)")
        print("Setting camera far clipping plane to:
(cameraFarClippingPlane)")
        print("Creating directional light at X:(directionalLightX),
Y:(directionalLightY), Z:(directionalLightZ).
Light color is (directionalLightColor)")
        print("Drawing cube at X:(x), Y:(y), Z:(z)")
    }
}
```

Each type method requires a huge number of parameters. Let's imagine that we have the requirement to add code to render additional shapes and add different types of cameras and lights. The code can easily become a really big mess, repetitive, and difficult to maintain. In fact, the code is already difficult to maintain.

In [Chapter 3, \*Encapsulation of Data with Properties\*](#), we worked with both mutable and immutable versions of a class that represented a 3D vector. Then, we learned to overload operators and take advantage of generics. We created an improved version of both the mutable and immutable versions of the 3D vector in [Chapter 6, \*Maximization of Code Reuse with Generic Code\*](#).

The first change we can make is to work with `MutableVector3D<Int>` instead of working with separate `x`, `y`, and `z` values. However, we won't use the same code we created in the previous chapter because we want a different behavior. We will create a new version of the `NumericForVector` protocol that will allow us to specify all the requirements that any numeric type must implement in order to use it as the generic type parameter for the new `MutableVector3D` class. In this case, we will just include a parameterless initializer. However, we will need to add many operators as we expand the `ImmutableVector3D` class. Therefore, in this case, we will just include the protocol to have our code ready for future requirements.

The following lines show the code that declares the new `NumericForVector` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
public protocol NumericForVector {
    init()
}
```

Now, we have to extend the existing `Int` type that we want to use for our `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class to make it conform to the recently created `NumericForVector` protocol. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
extension Int: NumericForVector { }
```

The following lines show the code for the new `ImmutableVector3D<T>` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class MutableVector3D<T: NumericForVector> {
    open var x: T
    open var y: T
    open var z: T
    init(x: T, y: T, z: T) {
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.z = z
    }
    public var representation: String {
        get {
            return String("X: (self.x), Y: (self.y), Z: (self.z)")
        }
    }
    open class func makeEqualElements(initialValue: T) ->
    MutableVector3D<T> {
        return MutableVector3D<T>(x: initialValue, y: initialValue,
        z: initialValue)
    }
    open class func makeOrigin() -> MutableVector3D<T> {
        let zero = T()
        return makeEqualElements(initialValue: zero)
    }
}
```

The code doesn't overload operators because we want to keep our focus on the refactoring process. The class declares a representation read-only computed property of the `String` type that returns a string with the values for the `x`, `y`, and `z` constants. The `SphereAndCube.renderSphere` and `SphereAndCube.renderCube` type methods print the values for the `x`, `y`, and `z` coordinates of many elements that compose the scene. We will generalize the generation of the string representation that will allow us to print the values.

We will create a simple protocol named `SceneElementProtocol` to specify the requirements for scene elements, as follows. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
public protocol SceneElementProtocol {
    var location: MutableVector3D<Int> { get set }
}
```

The following lines declare the `SceneElement` class that conforms to the previously defined `SceneElementProtocol` protocol. The class represents a 3D element that is part of a scene and has a location specified with `MutableVector3D<Int>`. It is the base class for all the scene elements that require a location in the 3D space. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class SceneElement: SceneElementProtocol {
    open var location: MutableVector3D<Int>
    init(location: MutableVector3D<Int>) {
        self.location = location
    }
}
```

The following lines declare another abstract class named `Light`, which is a subclass of the previously defined `SceneElement` class. The class represents a 3D light, and it is the base class for all the lights that might be included in a scene. In this case, the class declaration is empty, and we only declare it because we know that there will be many types of lights, and we want to be able to generalize the common requirements for all types of lights in the future. We are preparing the code for further enhancements. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Light: SceneElement {
}
```

The following lines declare a subclass of `Light` named `DirectionalLight`. The class represents a directional light and adds a `color` stored property. In this case, we don't add validations for the property setters just to make the example simple. However, we already know how to do it. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class DirectionalLight: Light
{
    open var color: Int
    init(location: MutableVector3D<Int>, color: Int) {
        self.color = color
        super.init(location: location)
    }
}
```

The following lines declare a class named `Camera`, which inherits from `SceneElement`. The class represents a 3D camera. It is the base class for all cameras. In this case, the class declaration is empty, and we only declare it because we know that there will be many types of cameras. Also, we want to be able to generalize the common requirements for all types of cameras in the future as we did for the lights. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Camera: SceneElement {
}
```

The following lines declare a subclass of `Camera` named `PerspectiveCamera`. The class represents a perspective camera and adds the following `ImmutableVector3D<Int>` stored properties: `direction` and `vector`. In addition, the class adds the following three stored properties: `fieldOfView`, `nearClippingPlane`, and `farClippingPlane`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class PerspectiveCamera: Camera {
    open var direction: MutableVector3D<Int>
    open var vector: MutableVector3D<Int>
    open var fieldOfView: Int
    open var nearClippingPlane: Int
    open var farClippingPlane: Int
    init(location: MutableVector3D<Int>,
        direction: MutableVector3D<Int>, vector: MutableVector3D<Int>,
        fieldOfView: Int, nearClippingPlane: Int, farClippingPlane: Int)
    {
        self.direction = direction
        self.vector = vector
        self.fieldOfView = fieldOfView
    }
}
```

```
        self.nearClippingPlane = nearClippingPlane
        self.farClippingPlane = farClippingPlane
        super.init(location: location)
    }
}
```

The following lines declare a class named `Shape`, which inherits from `SceneElement`. The class represents a 3D shape, and it is the base class for all 3D shapes. The class defines a `render` method that receives a `Camera` instance and an array of `Light` instances. Each subclass that implements a specific shape will be able to override the empty `render` method to render a specific shape. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Shape: SceneElement
{
    open func render(camera: Camera, lights: [Light]) {
    }
}
```

The following lines declare a `Sphere` class, a subclass of `Shape` that adds a `radius` property and overrides the `render` method defined in its superclass to render a sphere. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Sphere: Shape {
    open var radius: Int
    init(location: MutableVector3D<Int>, radius: Int) {
        self.radius = radius
        super.init(location: location)
    }
    open override func render(camera: Camera, lights: [Light]) {
        print("Drawing sphere at (location.representation)")
    }
}
```

The following lines declare a `Cube` class, a subclass of `Shape` that adds an `edgeLength` property and overrides the `render` method defined in its superclass to render a cube. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Cube: Shape {
    open var edgeLength: Int

    init(location: MutableVector3D<Int>, edgeLength: Int) {
        self.edgeLength = edgeLength
        super.init(location: location)
    }
}
```



```
        open override func render(camera: Camera, lights: [Light]) {
            print("Drawing cube at (location.representation)")
        }
    }
```

Finally, the following lines declare the `Scene` class, which represents the scene to be rendered. The class defines an `activeCamera` private stored property that holds a `Camera` instance. The `lights` private stored property is an array of `Light` instances, and the `shapes` private stored property is an array of the `Shape` instances that compose the scene. The `add` method that has a `light` parameter adds a `Light` instance to the `lights` array. The `add` method that has a `shape` parameter adds a `Shape` instance to the `shapes` array. Finally, the `render` method prints some details about the scene that is set up, based on the types of camera and lights. Then, this method calls the `render` method for each of the `Shape` instances included in the `shapes` array and passes the `activeCamera` and `lights` arrays as arguments. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
open class Scene {
    private var lights = [Light]()
    private var shapes = [Shape]()
    private var activeCamera: Camera

    init(initialCamera: Camera) {
        activeCamera = initialCamera
    }

    open func add(light: Light) {
        lights.append(light)
    }

    open func add(shape: Shape) {
        shapes.append(shape)
    }

    open func render() {
        print("Creating camera at
              (activeCamera.location.representation)")
        if let perspectiveCamera = activeCamera as? PerspectiveCamera
        {
            print("Setting camera direction to
                  (perspectiveCamera.direction.representation)")
            print("Setting camera vector to
                  (perspectiveCamera.vector.representation)")
            print("Setting camera perspective field of view to:
                  (perspectiveCamera.fieldOfView)")
            print("Setting camera near clipping plane to:
```

```
        (perspectiveCamera.nearClippingPlane)")
        print("Setting camera far clipping plane to:
        (perspectiveCamera.farClippingPlane)")
    }
    for light in lights {
        if let directionalLight = light as? DirectionalLight {
            print("Creating directional light at
            (directionalLight.location.representation). Light color is
            (directionalLight.color)")
        } else {
            print("Creating light at (light.location.representation)")
        }
    }
    for shape in shapes {
        shape.render(camera: activeCamera, lights: lights)
    }
}
}
```

After we create the previously shown classes, we can enter the following code in the Playground. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_02` folder:

```
var camera = PerspectiveCamera(location:
    MutableVector3D<Int>.makeEqualElements(initialValue: 30),
    direction: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 50, y: 0, z: 0),
    vector: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 4, y: 5, z: 2),
    fieldOfView: 90,
    nearClippingPlane: 20,
    farClippingPlane: 40
)
var sphere = Sphere(location: MutableVector3D<Int>
(x: 20, y: 20, z: 20), radius: 8)
var cube = Cube(location:
    MutableVector3D<Int>.makeEqualElements(initialValue: 10),
    edgeLength: 5
)
var light = DirectionalLight(location: MutableVector3D<Int>
(x: 2, y: 2, z: 5), color: 235)

var scene = Scene(initialCamera: camera)
scene.add(shape: sphere)
scene.add(shape: cube)
scene.add(light: light)
scene.render()
```

The code is very easy to understand and read. We create a `PerspectiveCamera` instance with the necessary parameters and then create two shapes: `Sphere` and `Cube`. Then, we create a `DirectionalLight` with all the necessary parameters and `Scene` with the previously created `PerspectiveCamera` as the initial camera.

Then, we add the shapes and the light to the scene and call the `render` method to render the scene. The following lines show the generated output:

```
Creating camera at X: 30, Y: 30, Z: 30
Setting camera direction to X: 50, Y: 0, Z: 0
Setting camera vector to X: 4, Y: 5, Z: 2
Setting camera perspective field of view to: 90
Setting camera near clipping plane to: 20
Setting camera far clipping plane to: 40
Creating directional light at X: 2, Y: 2, Z: 5.
Light color is 235Drawing sphere at X: 20, Y: 20, Z: 20
Drawing cube at X: 10, Y: 10, Z: 10
```

Now, let's compare the previous code with the following lines that call the `SphereAndCube.renderSphere` and `SphereAndCube.renderCube` methods with more than a dozen parameters. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_03` folder:

```
SphereAndCube.renderCube(x: 10, y: 20, z: 30,
    edgeLength: 50, cameraX: 25, cameraY: 25, cameraZ: 70,
    cameraDirectionX: 30, cameraDirectionY: 20, cameraDirectionZ: 35,
    cameraVectorX: 11, cameraVectorY: 15, cameraVectorZ: 25,
    cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: 140, cameraNearClippingPlane: 150,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: 160, directionalLightX: 30,
    directionalLightY: 30, directionalLightZ: 25,
    directionalLightColor: 156
)

SphereAndCube.renderSphere(x: 10, y: 15, z: 25, radius: 32,
    cameraX: 25, cameraY: 35, cameraZ: 10, cameraDirectionX: 30,
    cameraDirectionY: 35, cameraDirectionZ: 10, cameraVectorX: 62,
    cameraVectorY: 5, cameraVectorZ: 2,
    cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: 7, cameraNearClippingPlane: 20,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: 30, directionalLightX: 5,
    directionalLightY: 4, directionalLightZ: 7,
    directionalLightColor: 232
)
```

The following screenshot shows the object-oriented version and the call to the two type methods. The object-oriented version is definitely easier to read and understand. In addition, there is a lot less code duplication:

```
var camera = PerspectiveCamera(location: MutableVector3D<Int>.makeEqualElements(initialValue: 30),
    direction: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 50, y: 0, z: 0),
    vector: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 4, y: 5, z: 2),
    fieldOfView: 90,
    nearClippingPlane: 20,
    farClippingPlane: 40)
var sphere = Sphere(location: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 20, y: 20, z: 20), radius: 8)
var cube = Cube(location: MutableVector3D<Int>.makeEqualElements(initialValue: 10), edgeLength: 5)
var light = DirectionalLight(location: MutableVector3D<Int>(x: 2, y: 2, z: 5), color: 235)

var scene = Scene(initialCamera: camera)
scene.add(shape: sphere)
scene.add(shape: cube)
scene.add(light: light)

scene.render()

SphereAndCube.renderCube(x: 10, y: 20, z: 30, edgeLength: 50, cameraX: 25, cameraY: 25, cameraZ: 70,
    cameraDirectionX: 30, cameraDirectionY: 20, cameraDirectionZ: 35, cameraVectorX: 11, cameraVectorY:
    15, cameraVectorZ: 25, cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: 140, cameraNearClippingPlane: 150,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: 160, directionalLightX: 30, directionalLightY: 30, directionalLightZ: 25,
    directionalLightColor: 156)

SphereAndCube.renderSphere(x: 10, y: 15, z: 25, radius: 32, cameraX: 25, cameraY: 35, cameraZ: 10,
    cameraDirectionX: 30, cameraDirectionY: 35, cameraDirectionZ: 10, cameraVectorX: 62, cameraVectorY:
    5, cameraVectorZ: 2, cameraPerspectiveFieldOfView: 7, cameraNearClippingPlane: 20,
    cameraFarClippingPlane: 30, directionalLightX: 5, directionalLightY: 4, directionalLightZ: 7,
    directionalLightColor: 232)
```

```
Creating directional light at X:30, Y:30, Z:25. Light color is 156
Drawing cube at X:10, Y:20, Z:30
Creating camera at X:25, Y:35, Z:10
Setting camera direction to X:30, Y:35, Z:10
Setting camera vector to X:62, Y:5, Z:2
Setting camera perspective field of view to: 7
Setting camera near clipping plane to: 20
Setting camera far clipping plane to: 30
Creating directional light at X:5, Y:4, Z:7. Light color is 232
Drawing sphere at X:10, Y:15, Z:25
```

The object-oriented version requires a higher amount of code. However, it is easier to understand and expand based on future requirements. In addition, the object-oriented version reuses many pieces of code. If you need to add a new type of light, shape, or camera, you know where to add the pieces of code, which classes to create, and which methods to change.

## Understanding functions as first-class citizens

Since its first release, Swift has been a multiparadigm programming language, and one of its supported programming paradigms is functional programming. Functional programming favors immutable data and, therefore, avoids state changes. The code written with a functional programming style is as declarative as possible, and it is focused on what it does instead of how it must do it.

As it happens in many modern programming languages, functions are first-class citizens in Swift 3. You can use functions as arguments for other functions or methods. We can easily understand this concept with a simple example: array filtering. However, take into account that we will start by writing imperative code with functions as first-class citizens, and then, we will create a new version for this code that uses a functional approach in Swift through a filter operation.

The following lines declare the `applyFunctionTo` function that receives an array of `Int`, `numbers`, and a function type: `condition`. The function type specifies the parameter types and the return types for the function. In this case, `condition` specifies a function type that receives `Int` and returns a `Bool` value. The function executes the received function, `condition`, for each element in the input array and adds the element to an output array whenever the result of the called function is true. This way, only the elements that meet the specified condition will appear in the resulting array of `Int`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_04` folder:

```
public func applyFunctionTo(numbers: [Int],
condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    var returnNumbers = [Int]()
    for number in numbers {
        if condition(number) {
            returnNumbers.append(number)
        }
    }
    return returnNumbers
}
```

The following line declares a `divisibleBy5` function that receives `Int` and returns `Bool`, indicating whether the received number is divisible by 5 or not. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_04` folder:

```
func divisibleBy5(number: Int) -> Bool {
    return number % 5 == 0
}
```

The function type for the `divisibleBy5` function is equal to the function type specified in the `condition` argument for the `applyFunctionToNumbers` function. The following lines show the function type specified in the `condition` argument followed by the `divisibleBy5` function declaration. The function type specified in the `condition` argument matches the function type for the `divisibleBy5` function:

```
condition: (Int) -> Bool
func divisibleBy5(number: Int) -> Bool
```

The following two lines declare an array of `Int` initialized with ten numbers and call the `applyFunctionTo` function with the array of `Int` as the `numbers` argument and the `divisibleBy5` function as the `condition` argument. The `divisibleBy5Numbers` array of `Int` will have the following values after the `applyFunctionTo` function runs: `[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_04` folder:

```
var numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 63, 73, 43, 89]
var divisibleBy5Numbers = applyFunctionTo(numbers: numbers,
condition: divisibleBy5)
print(divisibleBy5Numbers)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:

```
public func applyFunctionTo(numbers: [Int], condition:
(Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    var returnNumbers = [Int]()
    for number in numbers {
        if condition(number) {
            returnNumbers.append(number)
        }
    }
    return returnNumbers
}

func divisibleBy5(number: Int) -> Bool {
    return number % 5 == 0
}

var numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 63, 73, 43, 89]
var divisibleBy5Numbers = applyFunctionTo(numbers: numbers,
condition: divisibleBy5)

print(divisibleBy5Numbers)
```

0 10  
1 20  
2 30  
3 40  
4 50

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 63, 73, 43, 89]

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]

["[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]\n"]

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]

## Working with function types within classes

The following lines declare a `myFunction` variable with a function type, specifically, a function that receives an `Int` argument and returns a `Bool` value. The variable works in the same way as an argument that specifies a function type for a function. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_05` folder:

```
var myFunction: ((Int) -> Bool)
myFunction = divisibleBy5
let myNumber = 20
print("Is (myNumber) divisible by 5: (myFunction(myNumber))")
```

Then, the code assigns the `divisibleBy5` function to `myFunction`. It is very important to understand that the line doesn't call the `divisibleBy5` function and save the result of this call in the `myFunction` variable. Instead, it just assigns the function to the variable that has a function type. The lack of parenthesis after the function name makes the difference.

Then, the code prints whether the `Int` value specified in the `myNumber` constant is divisible by 5 or not using the `myFunction` variable to call the referenced function with `myNumber` as an argument.

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground. Note that the result of executing `myFunction = divisibleBy5` displays an `Int -> Bool` type on the right-hand side:

```
var myFunction: ((Int) -> Bool)
myFunction = divisibleBy5           (Int) -> Bool

(Int) -> Bool

let myNumber = 20                   20
print("Is \(myNumber) divisible by 5: \
      (myFunction(myNumber))")     "Is 20 divisible by 5: true\n"

Is 20 divisible by 5:
    true
```

Type inference also works with functions, so we might replace the two lines that declared the `myFunction` variable and assigned the `divisibleBy5` function with the following single line. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_06` folder:

```
var myFunction = divisibleBy5
```

So far, we have worked with function types in functions. We can definitely take advantage of function types in object-oriented code. For example, the following lines show the code for a new `NumberWorker` class that declares the `appliedFunction` method with a function type as a parameter type. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_06` folder:

```
open class NumbersWorker {
    private var numbers = [Int]()
    init(numbers: [Int]) {
        self.numbers = numbers
    }
}
```



```
open func appliedFunction(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    var returnNumbers = [Int]()
    for number in numbers {
        if condition(number) {
            returnNumbers.append(number)
        }
    }
    return returnNumbers
}
```

The following lines show the code for the `NumberFunctions` class that defines the `isDivisibleBy5` type method. We will use this type method as an argument when we'll call the `appliedFunction` method that we coded in the `NumbersWorker` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_07` folder:

```
open class NumberFunctions {
    open static func isDivisibleBy5(number: Int) -> Bool {
        return number % 5 == 0
    }
}
```

The following lines create a `numbersList` array of `Int` and then pass it as an argument to the initializer of the `NumbersWorker` class. The last line calls the `worker.appliedFunction` method with the `NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5` type method as an argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_07` folder:

```
var numbersList = [-60, -59, -48, -35, -25, -10, 11, 12, 13, 14,
                  15]
var worker = NumbersWorker(numbers: numbersList)
var divisibleBy5List = worker.appliedFunction
(condition: NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5)
print(divisibleBy5List)
```

In this case, we used a type method as the argument for a method that specified a function type as a parameter type. We can also use an instance method as an argument that requires a function type.

The following screenshot shows the result of executing the previous lines in the Playground:

```

open class NumbersWorker {
    private var numbers = [Int]()

    init(numbers: [Int]) {
        self.numbers = numbers
    }

    open func appliedFunction(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
        var returnNumbers = [Int]()
        for number in numbers {
            if condition(number) {
                returnNumbers.append(number)
            }
        }

        return returnNumbers
    }
}

open class NumberFunctions {
    open static func isDivisibleBy5(number: Int) -> Bool {
        return number % 5 == 0
    }
}

var numbersList = [-60, -59, -48, -35, -25, -10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]
var worker = NumbersWorker(numbers: numbersList)
var divisibleBy5List = worker.appliedFunction(condition:
    NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5)
print(divisibleBy5List)

```

[]  
(5 times)  
[-60, -35, -25, -10, 15]  
(11 times)  
[-60, -59, -48, -35, -25, -10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]  
NumbersWorker  
[-60, -35, -25, -10, 15]  
"[-60, -35, -25, -10, 15]\n"

```

[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
Is 20 divisible by 5: true
[-60, -35, -25, -10, 15]

```

## Creating a functional version of array filtering

The collections included in Swift allow us the use of higher order functions, that is, functions that take other functions and use them to perform transformations on datasets. For example, an array provides us with the `filter`, `map`, and `reduce` methods.

As previously explained, the preceding code represents an imperative version of array filtering. We can achieve the same goal with a functional approach using the `filter` method included in all the types that conform to the `Sequence` protocol. The `Array<Element>` struct conforms to the `Sequence` protocol and many other protocols. In Swift versions prior to 3, the `Sequence` protocol was named `SequenceType`.



As it happens in most modern languages, Swift supports closures, which are also known as anonymous functions. Closures are self-contained blocks of functionality that we can pass around and use within our code as functions without names. Closures automatically capture everything we reference, such as variables and functions that aren't defined within the closure. Closures in Swift are similar to blocks in Objective-C.

The following lines use a closure as an argument for the `filter` method to generate the array with the numbers divisible by 5. The closure is the code surrounded with braces (`{}`), and it uses the `in` keyword to separate the argument (`number: Int`) and the return type (`Bool`) for the closure from its body. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_08` folder:

```
var filteredNumbers = numbersList.filter({
    (number: Int) -> Bool in
    return NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5(number: number)
})
print(filteredNumbers)
```

The code calls the `filter` method for the previously defined `numbersList Array<Int>`. This method creates and returns a new `Array<Int>` that contains only those elements of `numbersList Array<Int>` for which the `Bool` value returned by the specified closure returns `true`. In this case, the closure receives a `number` value of the `Int` type and returns the result of calling the `NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5` type method with `number` as the `number` argument.

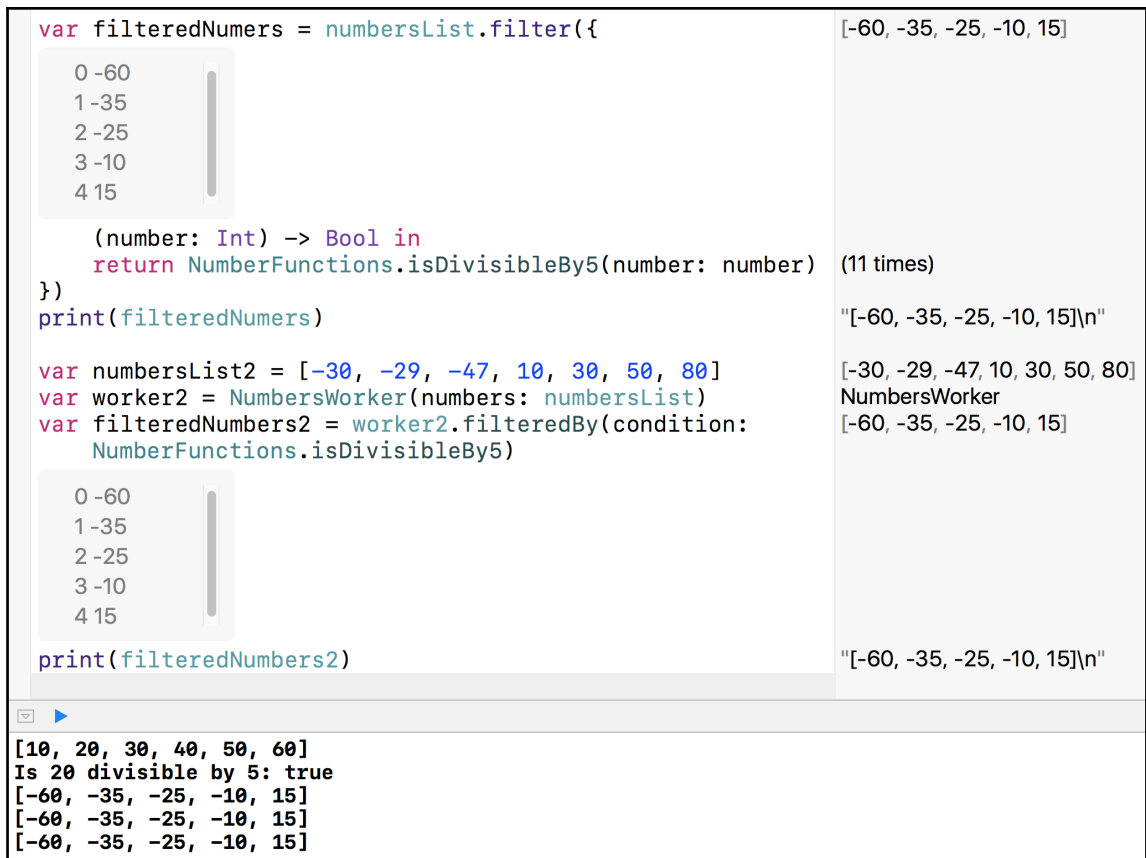
The following lines add a new `filteredBy` method to the existing `NumbersWorker` class. The method specifies a function type for the `condition` argument and then uses the function type within the closure that the `filter` method calls. This way, we are able to call this method with the function name that we want to receive an `Int` value and return `Bool` to evaluate which members of the original array are returned in the resulting array. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_09` folder:

```
open func filteredBy(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    return numbersList.filter({
        (number: Int) -> Bool in
        return condition(number)
    })
}
```

The next lines create a `numbersList2` array of `Int` and then pass it as an argument to the initializer of the `NumbersWorker` class. The last line calls the `worker2.applyFunctionToNumbers` method with the `NumberFunctions.isNumberDivisibleBy5` type method as an argument. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_09` folder:

```
var numbersList2 = [-30, -29, -47, 10, 30, 50, 80]
var worker2 = NumbersWorker(numbers: numbersList)
var filteredNumbers2 = worker2.filteredBy
(condition: NumberFunctions.isDivisibleBy5)
print(filteredNumbers2)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



## Writing equivalent closures with simplified code

It is possible to omit the type for the closure's parameter and return type. The following lines show a simplified version of the previously shown code that generates the same result. Note that the closure code is really simplified and doesn't even include the return statement because it uses implicit return. Swift evaluates the code we write after the `in` keyword and returns its evaluation as if we included the return statement before the expression. Swift infers the return type. We just have to replace the existing code for the `filteredBy` method in the `NumbersWorker` class with the new code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_10` folder:

```
open func filteredBy(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    return numbersList.filter({
        (number) in condition(number)
    })
}
```

We can go a step further and use the argument shorthand notation. This way, the closure omits the type for the parameters and its return type, takes advantage of implicit returns, and also uses the argument shorthand notation. The dollar sign followed by the argument number identifies each of the arguments for the closure. In this case, there is only one argument, so we will use `$0` to reference it. Obviously, `$1` would reference a second argument, `$2` would reference a third argument, and so on. We just have to replace the existing code for the `filteredBy` method in the `NumbersWorker` class with the new code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
open func filteredBy(condition: (Int) -> Bool) -> [Int] {
    return numbersList.filter({ condition($0) })
}
```

The following three pieces of code are equivalent and produce the same results. The first two versions make it easier to understand that the closure receives a `number` argument because we use a specific name for it:

```
return numbersList.filter({
    (number: Int) -> Bool in
    return condition(number)
})

return numbersList.filter({
    (number) in condition(number)
})

return numbersList.filter({
    return condition($0)
})
```

## Creating a data repository with generics and protocols

Now, we want to create a repository that provides us with entities so that we can apply the functional programming features included in Swift to retrieve and process data from these entities. First, we will create an `Identifiable` protocol that defines the requirements for an identifiable entity. We want any class that conforms to this protocol to have a read-only `id` property of the `Int` type to provide a unique identifier for the entity. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
import Foundation
public protocol Identifiable {
    var id: Int { get }
}
```

The next lines create a `Repository<Element>` generic class, which specifies that `Element` must conform to the recently created `Identifiable` protocol in the generic type constraint. The class declares a `getAll` method that we will override in the subclasses. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
open class Repository<Element: Identifiable> {
    open func getAll() -> [Element] {
        return [Element]()
    }
}
```

The next lines create the `Entity` class, which is the base class for all the entities. The class conforms to the `Identifiable` protocol and defines a read-only `id` property of the `Int` type. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
open class Entity: Identifiable {
    open let id: Int

    init(id: Int) {
        self.id = id
    }
}
```

The next lines create the `Game` class, which is a subclass of `Entity`, which conforms to the `CustomStringConvertible` protocol. The class adds the following stored properties: `name`, `highestScore`, and `playedCount`. The `CustomStringConvertible` protocol requires the class to implement a `description` calculated property that Swift uses whenever we write values to the output string. This way, whenever we use `print` and specify an instance of the `Game` class, Swift will print the value for the `description` calculated property. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
open class Game: Entity, CustomStringConvertible {
    open var name: String
    open var highestScore: Int
    open var playedCount: Int

    open var description: String {
        get {
            return "id: (id), name: \"(name)\", highestScore:
                (highestScore), playedCount: (playedCount)"
        }
    }

    init(id: Int, name: String, highestScore: Int,
        playedCount: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.highestScore = highestScore
        self.playedCount = playedCount
        super.init(id: id)
    }
}
```

The following lines create the `GameRepository` class, a subclass of `Repository<Game>`. The class overrides the `getAll` method declared in the generic superclass, that is, in the `Repository<T>` class. In this case, the method returns an array of `Game`, `Array<Game>`, specified with the `[Game]` shortcut. The overridden method creates ten `Game` instances and appends them to an array of `Game` that the method returns as a result. Note that we use underscores as separators to make it easier to read integer numbers. For example, instead of writing 3050, we write 3\_050, and it is equivalent to 3050. This way, we can easily realize that it is three thousand and fifty. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
open class GameRepository: Repository<Game> {
    open override func getAll() -> [Game] {
        var gamesList = [Game]()

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 1, name: "Invaders 2017",
            highestScore: 1050, playedCount: 3_050))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 2, name: "Minecraft",
            highestScore: 3741050, playedCount: 780_009_992))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode",
            highestScore: 67881050, playedCount: 304_506_506))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 4, name: "Soccer Warriors",
            highestScore: 10_025, playedCount: 320_450))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 5, name: "The Walking Dead Stories",
            highestScore: 1_450_708, playedCount: 75_405_350))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 6,
            name: "Once Upon a Time in Wonderland",
            highestScore: 1_050_320, playedCount: 7_052))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 7, name: "Cars Forever",
            highestScore: 6_705_203, playedCount: 850_021))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan",
            highestScore: 4_023_134, playedCount: 350_230))

        gamesList.append(Game(id: 9, name: "Kong Strikes Back",
            highestScore: 1_050_230, playedCount: 450_050))
    }
}
```



```
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017",
                               highestScore: 10_572_340, playedCount: 3_760_879))

        return gamesList
    }
}
```

The following lines create an instance of `GameRepository` and call the `forEach` method for the array of `Game` returned by the `getAll` method. The `forEach` method calls a body on each element in the array, as is done in a `for in` loop. The closure specified as an argument for the `forEach` method calls the `print` method with the `Game` instance as an argument. This way, Swift uses the `description` computed property to generate a `String` representation for each `Game` instance. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_11` folder:

```
var gameRepository = GameRepository()
gameRepository.getAll().forEach({ (game) in print(game) })
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
id: 1, name: "Invaders 2017", highestScore: 1050, playedCount: 3050
id: 2, name: "Minecraft", highestScore: 3741050, playedCount: 780009992
id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode", highestScore: 67881050,
playedCount: 304506506
id: 4, name: "Soccer Warriors", highestScore: 10025,
playedCount: 320450
id: 5, name: "The Walking Dead Stories", highestScore: 1450708,
playedCount: 75405350
id: 6, name: "Once Upon a Time in Wonderland", highestScore: 1050320,
playedCount: 7052
id: 7, name: "Cars Forever", highestScore: 6705203,
playedCount: 850021
id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan", highestScore: 4023134,
playedCount: 350230
id: 9, name: "Kong Strikes Back", highestScore: 1050230,
playedCount: 450050
id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017", highestScore: 10572340,
playedCount: 3760879
```

The following screenshot shows the result of executing the previous lines in the Playground:

```
gamesList.append(Game(id: 5, name: "The Walking Dead Stories",
    highestScore: 1_450_708, playedCount: 75_405_350))
gamesList.append(Game(id: 6, name: "Once Upon a Time in
    Wonderland", highestScore: 1_050_320, playedCount: 7_052))
gamesList.append(Game(id: 7, name: "Cars Forever",
    highestScore: 6_705_203, playedCount: 850_021))
gamesList.append(Game(id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan",
    highestScore: 4_023_134, playedCount: 350_230))
gamesList.append(Game(id: 9, name: "Kong Strikes Back",
    highestScore: 1_050_230, playedCount: 450_050))
gamesList.append(Game(id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017",
    highestScore: 10_572_340, playedCount: 3_760_879))

    return gamesList
}

var gameRepository = GameRepository()
gameRepository.getAll().forEach({ (game) in print(game) })
```

GameRepository (10 times)

```
id: 1, name: "Invaders 2017", highestScore: 1050, playedCount: 3050
id: 2, name: "Minecraft", highestScore: 3741050, playedCount: 78009992
id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode", highestScore: 67881050, playedCount: 304506506
id: 4, name: "Soccer Warriors", highestScore: 10025, playedCount: 320450
id: 5, name: "The Walking Dead Stories", highestScore: 1450708, playedCount: 75405350
id: 6, name: "Once Upon a Time in Wonderland", highestScore: 1050320, playedCount: 7052
id: 7, name: "Cars Forever", highestScore: 6705203, playedCount: 850021
id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan", highestScore: 4023134, playedCount: 350230
id: 9, name: "Kong Strikes Back", highestScore: 1050230, playedCount: 450050
id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017", highestScore: 10572340, playedCount: 3760879
```

The following line uses the argument shorthand notation, which is equivalent to the last line, and produces the same result. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_12` folder:

```
gameRepository.getAll().forEach({ print($0) })
```

## Filtering arrays with complex conditions

We can use our new repository to restrict the results retrieved from more complex data. In this case, the `getAll` method returns an array of `Game` instances, which we can use with the `filter` method to retrieve only the games that match certain conditions. The following lines declare a new `getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_13` folder:

```
open func getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan(score: Int) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({ (game) in game.highestScore > score })
}
```

The `getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan` method receives a `score: Int` argument and returns `Array<Game>`, specified with the `[Game]` shortcut. The code calls the `getAll` and `filter` methods for the result with a closure that specifies the required condition for the games in the array to be returned in the new array. In this case, only the games whose `highestScore` value is greater than the `score` value received as an argument will appear in the resulting `Array<Game>`.

The following lines use the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added method and then chain a call to `forEach` to print all the games whose `highestScore` value is greater than 5,000,000. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_13` folder:

```
gameRepository.getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan
(score: 5_000_000).forEach( { print($0) } )
```

The following lines show the output generated using the preceding code:

```
id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode", highestScore: 67881050,
playedCount: 304506506
id: 7, name: "Cars Forever", highestScore: 6705203, playedCount: 850021
id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017", highestScore: 10572340,
playedCount: 3760879
```

The following code shows another version of the `getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_14` folder:

```
open func getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan(score: Int) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({
        (game: Game) -> Bool in
        game.highestScore > score })
}
```

The following code shows another version of the `getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_15` folder:

```
open func getWithHighestScoreGreaterThan(score: Int) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({ $0.highestScore > score })
}
```

The following lines declare a new `getWith` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_16` folder:

```
open func getWith(prefix: String) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({ game in game.name.hasPrefix(prefix) })
}
```

The `getWith` method receives a `prefix, String` argument and returns an `Array<Game>`, specified with the `[Game]` shortcut. The code calls the `getAll` method and calls the `filter` method for the result with a closure that specifies the required condition for the games in the array to be returned in the new array. In this case, only the games whose name includes the string specified in the `prefix` value and is received as an argument or prefix will appear in the resulting `Array<Game>`.

The following line uses the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added method and then chains a call to `forEach` to print all the games whose name starts with "Mi". The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_16` folder:

```
gameRepository.getWith(prefix: "Mi").forEach( { print($0) } )
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
id: 2, name: "Minecraft", highestScore: 3741050, playedCount: 780009992
id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode", highestScore: 67881050,
playedCount: 304506506
```

The following code shows another version of the `getWith` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_17` folder:

```
open func getWith(prefix: String) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({
        (game: Game) -> Bool in
            game.name.hasPrefix(prefix)
    })
}
```

The following code shows another version of the `getWith` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_18` folder:

```
open func getWith(prefix: String) -> [Game] {
    return getAll().filter({ $0.name.hasPrefix(prefix) })
}
```

So far, we have used the `filter` method to generate a new `Array<Game>`. Sometimes, we just want to retrieve a single element from an `Array` or a similar collection, and we also want to specify a more complex condition. The following lines declare a new `getBy` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_18` folder:

```
open func getBy(highestScore: Int, playedCount: Int) -> Game? {
    return getAll().filter({ game in game.highestScore ==
        highestScore && game.playedCount == playedCount }).first
}
```

The `getBy` method receives two `Int` arguments: `highestScore` and `playedCount`. The method returns an optional `Game`, that is, `Game?`. The code calls the `getAll` and `filter` methods for the result with a closure that specifies the required condition for the games in the array to be returned in the new array. In this case, only the games whose `highestScore` and `playedCount` values are equal to the values received as arguments with the same names will appear in the `Array<Game>` generated by the call to the `filter` method. Then, the call to the `first` method returns the first element in the generated array or `nil` if no elements are found.

The following lines use the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added method to retrieve two games that match the specified `highestScore` and `playedCount` values. The method returns a `Game?`; therefore, the code checks whether the result is a `Game` instance or not in each call using `if` statements. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_18` folder:

```
if let game0 = gameRepository.getBy(highestScore: 4023134,
playedCount: 350230) {
    print(game0)
} else {
    print("No game found with the specified criteria")
}
if let game1 = gameRepository.getBy(highestScore: 30,
playedCount: 40) {
    print(game1)
} else {
    print("No game found with the specified criteria")
}
```

The following lines show the output generated with the preceding code. In the first call, there was a game that matched the search criteria. In the second call, there is no `Game` instance included in the array that matches the search criteria:

```
id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan", highestScore: 4023134,
playedCount: 350230
No game found with the specified criteria
```

The following code shows another version of the `getBy` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_19` folder:

```
open func getBy(highestScore: Int, playedCount: Int) -> Game? {
    return getAll().filter({
        (game: Game) -> Bool in
            game.highestScore == highestScore && game.playedCount ==
                playedCount
    }).first
}
```

The following code shows another version of the `getBy` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_20` folder:

```
open func getBy(highestScore: Int, playedCount: Int) -> Game? {
    return getAll().filter({ $0.highestScore == highestScore &&
        $0.playedCount == playedCount }).first
}
```

## Using map to transform values

The `map` method takes a closure as an argument, calls it for each item in the array, and returns a mapped value for the item. The returned mapped value can be of a different type from the item's type.

The following lines declare a new `getUppercasedNames` method that performs the simplest map operation for our previously coded `GameRepository` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_21` folder:

```
open func getUppercasedNames() -> [String] {
    return getAll().map({ game in game.name.uppercased() })
}
```

The `getUppercasedGames` parameterless method returns `Array<String>`, specified with the `[String]` shortcut. The code calls the `getAll` method and calls the `map` method for the result with a closure that returns the `name` value for each game converted to uppercase. This way, the `map` method transforms each `Game` instance into `String` with its name converted to uppercase. The result is an `Array<String>` array generated by the call to the `map` method.

The following line uses the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added `getUppercasedNames` method and then chains a call to `forEach` to print all the game names converted to uppercase strings. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_21` folder:

```
gameRepository.getUppercasedNames().forEach( { print($0) })
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
INVADERS 2017
MINECRAFT
MINECRAFT STORY MODE
SOCCER WARRIORS
THE WALKING DEAD STORIES
ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND
CARS FOREVER
JAKE & PETER PAN
KONG STRIKES BACK
MARIO KART 2017
```

The following code shows another version of the `getUppercasedNames` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_22` folder:

```
open func getUppercasedNames() -> [String] {
    return getAll().map({
        (game: Game) -> String in
        game.name.uppercased()
    })
}
```

The following code shows another version of the `getUppercasedNames` method, which is equivalent and produces the same results. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_23` folder:

```
open func getUppercasedNames() -> [String] {
    return getAll().map( { $0.name.uppercased() } )
}
```

Swift supports tuples that group multiple values into a single compound value. The following lines declare a new `getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class, which performs a `map` operation that returns a tuple, specifically, a tuple that groups two string values into a single compound value. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_23` folder:

```
open func getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames() -> [(upper: String,
lower: String)] {
    return getAll().map({
        game -> (String, String) in
        (game.name.uppercased(), game.name.lowercased())
    })
}
```



The `getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames` parameterless method returns a tuple with two named `String` values: `[(upper: String, lower: String)]`. The first string element in the tuple is named `upper`, and the second one is named `lower`. The code calls the `getAll` and `map` method for the result with a closure that returns a tuple with the first element equal to the name value for each game converted to uppercase and the second element with the value converted to lower case. This way, the `map` method transforms each `Game` instance into a `(String, String)` tuple with its name converted to uppercase and lowercase and stored in a compound value. The result is `(String, String)` generated by the call to the `map` method. The method declaration specifies names for each element in the returned tuple, so we will be able to access its members through these specified names.

The following line uses the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added `getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames` method and then chains a call to `forEach` to print the `upper` and `lower` elements of the tuple separated by a hyphen. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_23` folder:

```
gameRepository.getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames().forEach( {  
    print($0.upper, " - ", $0.lower) })
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
INVADERS 2017 - invaders 2017  
MINECRAFT - minecraft  
MINECRAFT STORY MODE - minecraft story mode  
SOCCER WARRIORS - soccer warriors  
THE WALKING DEAD STORIES - the walking dead stories  
ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND - once upon a time in wonderland  
CARS FOREVER - cars forever  
JAKE & PETER PAN - jake & peter pan  
KONG STRIKES BACK - kong strikes back  
MARIO KART 2017 - mario kart 2017
```

The following lines would produce the same results by accessing the tuple elements with `.0` and `.1` for the first and second elements instead of using the `upper` and `lower` names. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_24` folder:

```
gameRepository.getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames().forEach( {  
    print($0.0, " - ", $0.1) })
```



Swift allows us to access tuple elements with a dot followed by the element number. The element number starts at 0. However, it is usually convenient to provide names to the elements in order to make the code easier to understand and maintain.

We can also easily iterate through the upper and lower pairs using a `for` loop. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_25` folder:

```
for (upper, lower) in
gameRepository.getUppercasedAndLowercasedNames() {
    print("UPPER: (upper), lower: (lower)")
}
```

The next lines show the results of executing the previous `for` loop:

```
UPPER: INVADERS 2017, lower: invaders 2017
UPPER: MINECRAFT, lower: minecraft
UPPER: MINECRAFT STORY MODE, lower: minecraft story mode
UPPER: SOCCER WARRIORS, lower: soccer warriors
UPPER: THE WALKING DEAD STORIES, lower: the walking dead stories
UPPER: ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND, lower: once upon a time in
wonderland
UPPER: CARS FOREVER, lower: cars forever
UPPER: JAKE & PETER PAN, lower: jake & peter pan
UPPER: KONG STRIKES BACK, lower: kong strikes back
UPPER: MARIO KART 2017, lower: mario kart 2017
```

## Combining map with reduce

The following lines show an imperative code version of a `for in` loop that calculates the sum of all the `highestScore` values for the games. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_26` folder:

```
var sum = 0
for game in gameRepository.getAll() {
    sum += game.highestScore
}
print(sum)
```

The code is very easy to understand. The `sum` variable has a starting value of 0, and each iteration of the `for in` loop retrieves a `Game` instance from the `Array<Game>` returned by the `gameRepository.getAll` method and increases the value of the `sum` variable with the value of the `highestScore` property.

We can combine the `map` and `reduce` operations to create a functional version of the previous imperative code to calculate the sum of all the `highestScore` values for the games. The next lines chain a call to `map` to a call to `reduce` to achieve this goal. Take a look at the following code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_27` folder:

```
let highestScoreSum = gameRepository.getAll().map({ $0.highestScore
}).reduce(0, {
    sum, highestScore in
    return sum + highestScore
})
print(highestScoreSum)
```

First, the code uses the call to `map` to transform an `Array<Game>` into an `Array<Int>` with the values specified in the `highestScore` stored property. Then, the code calls the `reduce` method that receives two arguments that do not use parameter labels: the initial value for an accumulated value and a combine closure that will be repeatedly called with the accumulated value. The method returns the results of the repeated calls to the `combine` closure.



In Swift versions prior to 3, it was necessary to use the `combine` parameter label for the second argument in the call to the `reduce` method. If we specify the `combine` parameter label for the second argument in Swift 3, the code won't compile.

The closure specified in the second argument for the `reduce` method receives `sum` and `highestScore` and returns the sum of both values. Thus, the closure returns the sum of the total accumulated so far plus the `highestScore` value that is processed. We can add a `print` statement to display the values for both `sum` and `highestScore` within the closure specified in the second argument. The following lines show a new version of the previous code that adds the line with the `print` statement. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_28` folder:

```
let highestScoreSum2 = gameRepository.getAll().map({
    $0.highestScore }).reduce(0, {
    sum, highestScore in
    print("sum value: (sum), highestScore value: (highestScore)")
    return sum + highestScore
})
print(highestScoreSum2)
```

The following lines show the results for the previous line, where we can see how the sum value starts with the initial value specified in the `initial` argument for the `reduce` method and accumulates the sum completed so far. Finally, the `highestScoreSum2` variable holds the sum of all the `highestScore` values, that is, the last value of `sum`, 85,912,770 plus the last `highestScore` value, 10,572,340. The result is 96,485,110:

```
sum value: 0, highestScore value: 1050
sum value: 1050, highestScore value: 3741050
sum value: 3742100, highestScore value: 67881050
sum value: 71623150, highestScore value: 10025
sum value: 71633175, highestScore value: 1450708
sum value: 73083883, highestScore value: 1050320
sum value: 74134203, highestScore value: 6705203
sum value: 80839406, highestScore value: 4023134
sum value: 84862540, highestScore value: 1050230
sum value: 85912770, highestScore value: 10572340
96485110
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



```
let highestScoreSum2 = gameRepository.getAll().map({ (11 times)
  $0.highestScore }).reduce(0, {
  sum, highestScore in
  print("sum value: \(sum), highestScore value: \( (10 times)
    highestScore)")
  return sum + highestScore (10 times)
})
print(highestScoreSum2) "96485110\n"
```

```
sum value: 0, highestScore value: 1050
sum value: 1050, highestScore value: 3741050
sum value: 3742100, highestScore value: 67881050
sum value: 71623150, highestScore value: 10025
sum value: 71633175, highestScore value: 1450708
sum value: 73083883, highestScore value: 1050320
sum value: 74134203, highestScore value: 6705203
sum value: 80839406, highestScore value: 4023134
sum value: 84862540, highestScore value: 1050230
sum value: 85912770, highestScore value: 10572340
96485110
```

In the previous code, we had to pass a closure expression to the `reduce` method as the method's final argument, and the closure expression is long. We can write it as a trailing closure, that is, a closure expression written after the closing parenthesis of the method call and outside it. The following lines show a new version of the previous code that uses a trailing closure. Note that the call to `reduce` seems to include just one argument: `0`. However, the code included within curly braces after the method call is the combine argument for `reduce`. Take a look at the following lines. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_29` folder:

```
let highestScoreSum3 = gameRepository.getAll().map({
    $0.highestScore }).reduce(0) {
    sum, highestScore in
    print("sum value: (sum), highestScore value: (highestScore)")
    return sum + highestScore
}
```

## Chaining filter, map, and reduce

We can chain `filter`, `map`, and `reduce`. The following lines declare a new `summedHighestScoresWhere` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class that chains `filter`, `map`, and `reduce` calls. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_30` folder:

```
open fun summedHighestScoresWhere(minPlayedCount: Int) -> Int {
    return getAll().filter({ $0.playedCount >=
        minPlayedCount }).map({ $0.highestScore }).reduce(0) {
        sum, highestScore in
        return sum + highestScore
    }
}
```

The `summedHighestScoresWhere` method receives a `minPlayedCount` argument of the `Int` type and returns an `Int` value. The code calls the `getAll` and `filter` methods to generate a new `Array<Game>` with only the `Game` instances, whose `playedCount` value is greater than or equal to the value specified in the `minPlayedCount` argument. The code calls the `map` method to transform an `Array<Game>` into an `Array<Int>` with the values specified in the `highestScore` stored property. Then, the code calls the `reduce` method with the initial value for the accumulated value set to `0` and a trailing closure that performs the sum task for `highestScore`, which we analyzed in the previous example.

The following line uses the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added `calculateGamesHighestScoresSum` method to calculate the sum of the `highestScores` for the games that were played at least 500,000 times. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_30` folder:

```
let highestScoreSumFor500000 =
    gameRepository.summedHighestScoresWhere(minPlayedCount: 500_000)
print(highestScoreSumFor500000)
```

## Solving algorithms with reduce

We can solve algorithms with `reduce` by following a functional approach. The following lines declare a new `getNamesSeparatedBy` method for our previously coded `GameRepository` class that solves an algorithm by calling the `reduce` method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_31` folder:

```
open func getNamesSeparatedBy(separator: String) -> String {
    let gamesNames = getUppercasedNames()
    return gamesNames.reduce("") {
        concatenatedGameNames, gameName in
        print(concatenatedGameNames)
        let separatorOrEmpty = (gameName == gamesNames.last) ? "" :
            separator
        return "(concatenatedGameNames) (gameName) (separatorOrEmpty)"
    }
}
```

The `getNamesSeparatedBy` method receives a `separator` argument of the `String` type and returns a `String` value. The code calls the `getUppercasedNames` method and saves the result in the `gamesNames` reference constant. Then, the code calls the `reduce` method with an empty string as the `initial` value for an accumulated value. The code uses a trailing closure to specify the closure expression for combine, that is, the second argument for the `reduce` method.

The trailing closure receives `concatenatedGameNames` and `gameName`. First, the closure prints the value of `concatenatedGameNames`. This way, we will be able to understand how the algorithm completes the concatenated game names in each execution. Then, an expression determines whether the string specified in `separator` or an empty string has to be used as a separator.

In case the `gameName` is equal to the last game in the `Array<String>`, the code uses an empty string because the last game shouldn't have the separator after it. Finally, the code returns a string composed of the names concatenated so far, `concatenatedGameNames`; the game name that is being concatenated, `gameName`; and the separator or an empty string, `separatorOrEmpty`.

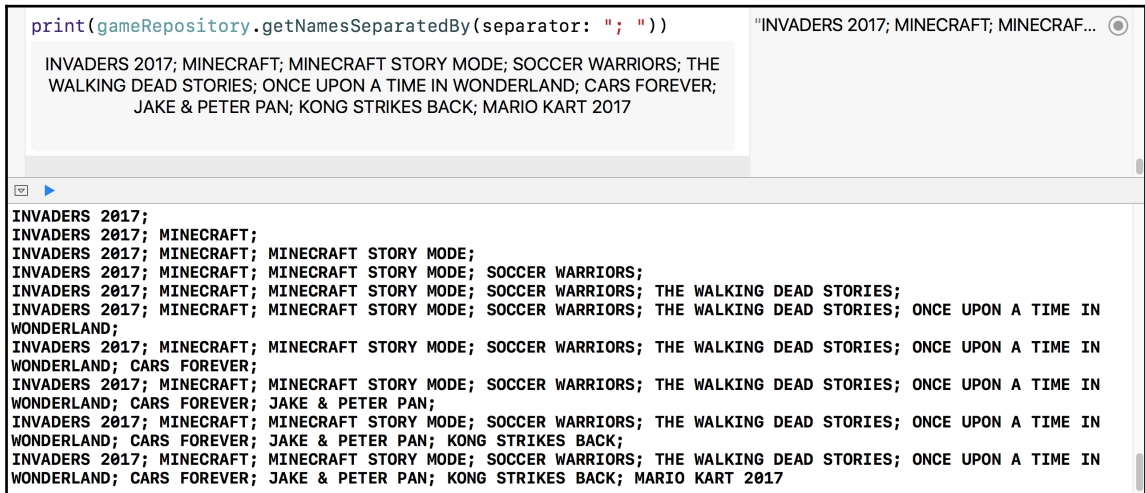
The following line uses the `GameRepository` instance called `gameRepository` to call the previously added `getSeparatedGamesNames` method to generate a string with all the uppercase game names separated by a semicolon followed by a space. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_07_31` folder:

```
print(gameRepository.getNamesSeparatedBy(separator: "; "))
```

The following lines show the results for the previous line where we can see how the concatenated game names start with the initial value specified in the `initial` argument for the `reduce` method and accumulates the strings generated so far. Finally, the value returned by the `getNamesSeparatedBy` method includes all the game names in uppercase separated by a semicolon and followed by a space:

```
INVADERS 2017;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; INVADERS
2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS;
THE WALKING DEAD STORIES;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE
WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE
WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE
WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE &
PETER PAN;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE
WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE &
PETER PAN; KONG STRIKES BACK;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE
WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE &
PETER PAN; KONG STRIKES BACK; MARIO KART 2017
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



```
print(gameRepository.getNamesSeparatedBy(separator: "; "))
```

"INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAF..."

```
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE & PETER PAN; KONG STRIKES BACK; MARIO KART 2017
```

```
INVADERS 2017;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE & PETER PAN;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE & PETER PAN; KONG STRIKES BACK;
INVADERS 2017; MINECRAFT; MINECRAFT STORY MODE; SOCCER WARRIORS; THE WALKING DEAD STORIES; ONCE UPON A TIME IN WONDERLAND; CARS FOREVER; JAKE & PETER PAN; KONG STRIKES BACK; MARIO KART 2017
```

## Exercises

Add new methods to the `GameRepository` class that we created in this chapter. Make sure you create a new method to solve each algorithm and that you use a functional programming approach:

- Retrieve all the games whose average score is lower than a maximum average score received as an argument.
- Generate a string with the first letter of each game name followed by the highest score value. Use a hyphen as a separator for each game name and highest score value pair. That last value pair shouldn't include a hyphen after it.
- Calculate the minimum `playedCount` value.
- Calculate the maximum `playedCount` value.



## Test your knowledge

1. The `{ (game: Game) -> Bool in game.highestScore == highestScore && game.playedCount == playedCount }` closure is equivalent to:
  1. `{ $0.highestScore == highestScore && $1.playedCount == playedCount }`.
  2. `{ $0.highestScore == highestScore && $0.playedCount == playedCount }`.
  3. `{ 0 -> 0.highestScore == highestScore && 0.playedCount == playedCount }`.
2. The closure `{ return condition($0) }` is equivalent to:
  1. `{ (number: Int) -> Bool in return condition(number) }`.
  2. `{ (number -> Bool) -> Int in condition <- (number) }`.
  3. `{ 0 -> condition(number) }`.
3. A function type specifies:
  1. The parameter and return types for the function.
  2. Only the parameter names required for the function.
  3. The required function name and the return value without any details about the parameters.
4. Which of the following lines declare a variable with a function type, considering that the syntax must be compatible with Swift 3?
  1. `var condition: { 0 -> Int -> Bool }`.
  2. `var condition: Int $0 returns Bool.`
  3. `var condition: ((Int) -> Bool).`
5. After we assign a tuple to a variable with the line, `var tuple: (key: String, value: String) = ("Name", "Garfield")`, which of the following lines accesses the first string element in the tuple, that is, the value named key?
  1. `tuple.$0.`
  2. `tuple.1.`
  3. `tuple.0.`

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned how to refactor existing code to take full advantage of object-oriented code. We prepared the code for future requirements, reduced maintenance cost, and maximized code reuse.

We worked with many functional programming features included in Swift and combined them with everything we discussed so far about object-oriented programming. We analyzed the differences between imperative and functional programming approaches for many algorithms. We realized that Swift 3 introduced many changes compared with the code generated with previous Swift versions.

Now that you have learned about refactoring code to take advantage of object-oriented programming and include functional programming pieces in our object-oriented code, we are ready to protect and organize the code, which is the topic of the next chapter.

# 8

## Extending and Building Object-Oriented Code

In this chapter, we will put together many pieces of the object-oriented puzzle. We will take advantage of extensions to add features to classes, protocols, and types that we can't modify through source code editing. We will interact with a simple object-oriented data repository through Picker View and consider how object-oriented code is everywhere in an iOS app.

### Putting together all the pieces of the object-oriented puzzle

In [Chapter 1, \*Objects from the Real-World to the Playground\*](#), you learned how to recognize objects from real-life situations. We understood that working with objects makes it easier to write code that is easier to understand and reuse. You learned how to recognize real-world elements and translate them into the different components of the object-oriented paradigm supported in Swift: classes, protocols, properties, methods, and instances.

We discussed that classes represent blueprints or templates to generate the objects, which are also known as instances. We designed a few classes with properties and methods that represent blueprints for real-life objects. Then, we improved the initial design by taking advantage of the power of abstraction and specialized different classes.

In *Chapter 2, Structures, Classes, and Instances*, you learned about an object's life cycle. We worked with many examples to understand how object initializers and deinitializers work. We declared our first class to generate a blueprint for objects. We customized object initializers and deinitializers and tested their personalized behavior in action with live examples in Swift's Playground. We considered how they work in combination with automatic reference counting.

In *Chapter 3, Encapsulation of Data with Properties*, you learned the different members of a class and how they are reflected in members of the instances generated from a class. We worked with instance properties, type properties, instance methods, and type methods. We worked with stored properties, getters, setters, and property observers, and we took advantage of access modifiers to hide data. We also worked with mutable and immutable versions of a 3D vector. We discussed the difference between mutable and immutable classes. Immutable classes are extremely useful when we work with concurrent code.

In *Chapter 4, Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization*, you learned how to take advantage of simple inheritance to specialize a base class. We designed many classes from top to bottom using chained initializers, type properties, computed properties, stored properties, and methods. Then, we coded most of these classes in the interactive Playground, taking advantage of different mechanisms provided by Swift. We took advantage of operator functions to overload operators that we could use with the instances of our classes. We overrode and overloaded initializers, type properties, and methods. We also took advantage of one of the most exciting object-oriented features: polymorphism.

In *Chapter 5, Contract Programming with Protocols*, you learned that Swift works with protocols in combination with classes. The only way to have multiple inheritance in Swift is through the usage of protocols. You learned about the declaration and combination of multiple blueprints to generate a single instance. We declared protocols with different types of requirements. Then, we created many classes that conform to these protocols. We worked with type casting to take a look at how protocols work as types. Finally, we combined protocols with classes to take advantage of multiple inheritance in Swift. We combined inheritance for protocols and inheritance for classes.

In [Chapter 6, Maximization of Code Reuse with Generic Code](#), you learned how to maximize code reuse by writing code capable of working with objects of different types; that is, instances of classes that conform to specific protocols or whose class hierarchy includes specific superclasses. We worked with protocols and generics. We also created classes capable of working with one or two constrained generic types. We combined inheritance, protocols, and extensions to maximize the reusability of code. We also made classes work with many different types. Generics are very important to maximizing code reuse in Swift.

In [Chapter 7, Object-Oriented Programming and Functional Programming](#), you learned how to refactor the existing code to take full advantage of object-oriented code. We prepared the code for future requirements, reduced maintenance cost, and maximized code reuse. We worked with many functional programming features included in Swift, and we combined them with everything we have discussed so far about object-oriented programming. We analyzed the differences between imperative and functional programming approaches for many algorithms.

Now, you will learn how to extend the existing classes to achieve our goals.

## Adding methods with extensions

Sometimes, we would like to add methods to an existing class. We already know how to do this; we just need to go to its Swift source file and add a new method within the class body. However, sometimes, we cannot access the source code for the class, or it isn't convenient to make changes to it. A typical example of this situation is a class, struct, or any other type that is part of the standard language elements. For example, we might want to add a method that we can call in any `Int` value to initialize either a 2D or 3D point with all its elements set to the `Int` value.

The following lines declare a simple `Point2D` class that represents a mutable 2D point with the `x` and `y` elements. The class conforms to the `CustomStringConvertible` protocol; therefore, it declares a description computed property that returns a string representation for the 2D point. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_01` folder.

```
open class Point2D: CustomStringConvertible {
    open var x: Int
    open var y: Int

    open var valuesAsDescription: String {
        return "x: \(x), y: \(y)"
    }
}
```

```
open var description: String {
  get {
    return "\(\(valuesAsDescription))"
  }
}

init(x: Int, y: Int) {
  self.x = x
  self.y = y
}
}
```

The `Point2D` class declares two stored properties: `x` and `y`. The `valueAsDescription` computed property returns a string with the values for `x` and `y` without parentheses. The `description` computed property encloses the value returned by `valueAsDescription` in parentheses.

The following lines declare a `Point3D` class that inherits from the previously created `Point2D` class and adds a `z` element to the inherited `x` and `y` elements. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_01` folder.

```
open class Point3D: Point2D {
  open var z: Int

  open override var valueAsDescription: String {
    return "\(\(super.valueAsDescription), z:\(z)"
  }

  init(x: Int, y: Int, z: Int) {
    self.z = z
    super.init(x: x, y: y)
  }
}
```

The `Point3D` class declares the `z` stored property and overrides the `valueAsDescription` computed property to concatenate the value of the `z` stored property to the string value of this property in the superclass. This way, the `description` computed property declared in the `Point2D` superclass will generate the values for `x`, `y`, and `z` enclosed within parentheses.

Now that we have a `Point2D` class and a `Point3D` class, we want to extend the `Int` type to provide methods that generate instances of these classes with all their elements initialized with the `Int` value. Specifically, we want to be able to write the following line to generate a `Point2D` instance with the `x` and `y` values initialized to 3:

```
var point2D1 = 3.toPoint2D()
```

In addition, we want to be able to write the following line to generate a `Point3D` instance with the `x`, `y`, and `z` values initialized to 5:

```
var point3D1 = 5.toPoint3D()
```

The following lines use the `extension` keyword to add two methods to the `Int` standard type: `toPoint2D` and `toPoint3D`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_01` folder.

```
public extension Int {
    public func toPoint2D() -> Point2D {
        return Point2D(x: self, y: self)
    }

    public func toPoint3D() -> Point3D {
        return Point3D(x: self, y: self, z: self)
    }
}
```

The `toPoint2D` method returns a new instance of `Point2D` with the `x` and `y` arguments of the initializer set to `self`. In this case, `self` represents the actual value for `Int`. The `toPoint3D` method returns a new instance of `Point3D` with the `x`, `y`, and `z` arguments of the initializer set to `self`.

The following lines use the previously added methods to create instances of both `Point2D` and `Point3D`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_01` folder.

```
print(3.toPoint2D())
print(5.toPoint2D())
print(3.toPoint3D())
print(5.toPoint3D())
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code:

```
(x: 3, y: 3)
(x: 5, y: 5)
(x: 3, y: 3, z:3)
(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:

```
return "\(\(super.valuesAsDescription), z:\n(z)" (8 times)
}
init(x: Int, y: Int, z: Int) {
    self.z = z
    super.init(x: x, y: y)
}
}
public extension Int {
    public func toPoint2D() -> Point2D {
        return Point2D(x: self, y: self) (2 times)
    }
    public func toPoint3D() -> Point3D {
        return Point3D(x: self, y: self, z: self) (2 times)
    }
}
print(3.toPoint2D()) "(x: 3, y: 3)\n"
print(5.toPoint2D()) "(x: 5, y: 5)\n"
print(3.toPoint3D()) "(x: 3, y: 3, z:3)\n"
print(5.toPoint3D()) "(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)\n"
(x: 5, y: 5)
(x: 3, y: 3, z:3)
(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)
```



If you have some experience with Objective-C, you will notice that extensions in Swift are very similar to categories in Objective-C. However, one of the main differences is that extensions in Swift do not have names.

Now, let's imagine that both the `Point2D` and `Point3D` classes are included in an external framework or library and that we aren't able to access the source code. Our code needs to convert instances of `Point3D` to a `(Int, Int, Int)` tuple. It is a nice feature to generate a tuple with named elements. Given that we cannot access the source code, we can use the extension keyword to add a `toTuple` method to the `Point3D` class. This way, we can easily convert a `Point3D` instance to a tuple. The following lines do the job. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_02` folder.

```
public extension Point3D {
    public func toTuple() -> (x: Int, y: Int, z: Int) {
        return (x: x, y: y, z: z)
    }
}
```



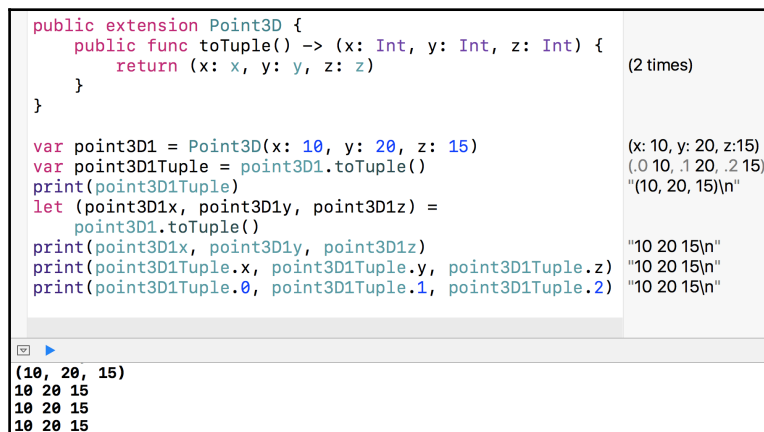
The following lines create an instance of the `Point3D` class and then call the recently added `toTuple` method to generate a tuple composed of three `Int` values: `(Int, Int, Int)`. Then, the code prints the string representation of the generated tuple. The next line uses a `let` statement to retrieve the three elements from the tuple generated by another call to the `toTuple` method. Then, the code prints the values for the three retrieved elements. The last two lines use the element names (`x`, `y`, and `z`) and numbers (`0`, `1`, and `2`) to access the generated tuple values. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_02` folder.

```
var point3D1 = Point3D(x: 10, y: 20, z: 15)
var point3D1Tuple = point3D1.toTuple()
print(point3D1Tuple)
let (point3D1x, point3D1y, point3D1z) = point3D1.toTuple()
print(point3D1x, point3D1y, point3D1z)
print(point3D1Tuple.x, point3D1Tuple.y, point3D1Tuple.z)
print(point3D1Tuple.0, point3D1Tuple.1, point3D1Tuple.2)
```

The following lines show the output generated by the preceding code.

```
(10, 20, 15)
10 20 15
10 20 15
10 20 15
```

The following screenshot shows the result of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



## Adding computed properties to a base type with extensions

Swift allows us to add both computed instance properties and computed type properties to an existing type. These are the only types of properties that we can add to an existing type, so we cannot add simpler stored properties using extensions.

When you need to perform calculations with values that have an associated unit of measurement, it is very common to make mistakes by mixing its different units. It is also common to perform incorrect conversions between the different units that generate wrong results. Swift doesn't allow us to associate a specific numerical value with a unit of measurement. However, we can add computed properties to provide some information about the units of measurement for a specific domain.



We worked with units when we analyzed the object-oriented approach of the HealthKit framework in [Chapter 1, \*Objects from the Real-World to the Playground\*](#). However, in this case, we just want to simplify a sum operation with a specific resistance unit.

The need to associate quantities with units of measurement in any programming language is easy to understand even in the most basic math and physics problems. One of the simplest calculations is to sum two values that have an associated base unit. For example, say that you have two electrical resistance values. One of the values is measured in ohms and the other in kilo-ohms. To sum the values, you must choose the desired unit and convert one of the values to the chosen unit. If you want the result to be expressed in ohms, you must convert the value in kilo-ohms to ohms, sum the two values expressed in ohms, and provide the result in ohms.

The following code uses variables with a suffix that defines the specific unit being used in each case. You have probably used or seen similar conventions. The suffixes make the code less error prone because you easily understand that `r1InOhms` holds a value in ohms, and `r2InKohms` holds a value in kilo-ohms. Thus, there is a line that assigns the result of converting the `r2InKohms` value to ohms to the new `r2InOhms` variable. The last line calculates the sum and holds the result in ohms because both variables hold values in the same unit of measurement. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_03` folder.

```
var r1InOhms = 500.0
var r2InKohms = 5.2
var r2InOhms = r2InKohms * 1e3
var r1PlusR2InOhms = r1InOhms + r2InOhms
```

Obviously, the code is still error prone because there won't be any exception thrown or syntax error if a developer adds the following line to sum ohms and kilo-ohms without performing the necessary conversions. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_04` folder.

```
// The following line produces a wrong result
var r3InOhms = r1InOhms + r2InKohms
```

There is no rule that ensures that all the variables included in the sum operation must use the same suffix, that is, the same unit. There aren't invalid operations between variables that hold values with incompatible units. For example, you might sum a voltage value to a resistance value, and the code won't produce any error or warning.

The following lines use the `extension` keyword to add three get-only computed properties to the `Double` standard type: `ohm`, `kohm`, and `mohm`. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_05` folder.

```
public extension Double {
    public var ohm: Double { return self }
    public var kohm: Double { return self * 1e3 }
    public var mohm: Double { return self * 1e6 }
}
```

The `ohm` get-only computed property returns `self`, that is, the actual value for `Double`. The `kohm` get-only computed property returns `self` multiplied by 1,000. In this case, the code uses the exponential notation, where `1e3` means 10 to the third power, that is,  $10 * 10 * 10$ . Finally, the `mohm` get-only computed property returns `self` multiplied by 1,000,000. In this case, the code uses the exponential notation where `1e6` means 10 to the sixth power, that is,  $10 * 10 * 10 * 10 * 10 * 10$ .

After we add the previous extensions, we want to perform the following calculation: *500 ohms + 5.2 KOhms + 3.1 MOhms*. If we convert all the values to ohms and express the result in ohms, we must calculate *500 ohms + 5,200 ohms + 3,100,000 ohms*. We can declare three variables with the number followed by a dot and the extension we created to convert the number to the value in a baseline ohm unit. The `extension` methods will return a `Double` number that will be always converted to ohms. Then, we can easily calculate the total resistance value in ohms by computing the sum of the three variables.

The following lines declare three variables, and each one uses the get-only computed property to specify the specific unit in which the original value is expressed: `ohm`, `kohm`, or `mohm`. Then, the code prints the real values stored in the three variables: `resistance1`, `resistance2`, and `resistance3`. The three values are stored in ohms because the get-only computed property returns the result of the conversion of each unit to ohms. Then, the code computes the sum of the three variables and stores the result expressed in ohms in the `totalResistance` variable. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_05` folder.

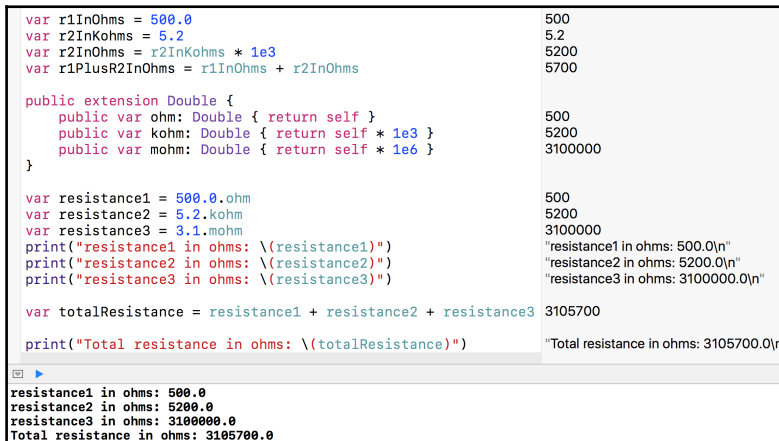
```
var resistance1 = 500.0.ohm
var resistance2 = 5.2.kohm
var resistance3 = 3.1.mohm
print("resistance1 in ohms: \(resistance1)")
print("resistance2 in ohms: \(resistance2)")
print("resistance3 in ohms: \(resistance3)")
var totalResistance = resistance1 + resistance2 + resistance3

print("Total resistance in ohms: \(totalResistance)")
```

The following lines show the output generated after executing the preceding code. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_05` folder.

```
resistance1 in ohms: 500.0
resistance2 in ohms: 5200.0
resistance3 in ohms: 3100000.0
Total resistance in ohms: 3105700.0
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



```
var r1InOhms = 500.0
var r2InKohms = 5.2
var r2InOhms = r2InKohms * 1e3
var r1PlusR2InOhms = r1InOhms + r2InOhms

public extension Double {
    public var ohm: Double { return self }
    public var kohm: Double { return self * 1e3 }
    public var mohm: Double { return self * 1e6 }
}

var resistance1 = 500.0.ohm
var resistance2 = 5.2.kohm
var resistance3 = 3.1.mohm
print("resistance1 in ohms: \(resistance1)")
print("resistance2 in ohms: \(resistance2)")
print("resistance3 in ohms: \(resistance3)")

var totalResistance = resistance1 + resistance2 + resistance3
print("Total resistance in ohms: \(totalResistance)")
```

500  
5.2  
5200  
5700

500  
5200  
3100000

500  
5200  
3100000  
"resistance1 in ohms: 500.0\n"  
"resistance2 in ohms: 5200.0\n"  
"resistance3 in ohms: 3100000.0\n"

3105700  
"Total resistance in ohms: 3105700.0\n"

```
resistance1 in ohms: 500.0
resistance2 in ohms: 5200.0
resistance3 in ohms: 3100000.0
Total resistance in ohms: 3105700.0
```

We can take advantage of Swift's flexibility with property names and use the Greek omega letter ( $\Omega$ ) instead of the ohm word in each of the get-only computed properties. You can easily insert the Greek omega letter in Mac OS by pressing *Alt + Z*. You can check other symbols in Mac OS by pressing *Command + Control + Space*. The following lines use the `extension` keyword again to add three get-only computed properties to the `Double` standard type:  $\Omega$ ,  $K\Omega$ , and  $M\Omega$ . The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_06` folder.

```
public extension Double {
    public var  $\Omega$ : Double { return self }
    public var  $K\Omega$ : Double { return self * 1e3 }
    public var  $M\Omega$ : Double { return self * 1e6 }
}
```

The following lines declare three variables, and each one uses the get-only computed property to specify the specific unit in which the original value is expressed:  $\Omega$ ,  $K\Omega$ , or  $M\Omega$ . Then, the code prints the real values stored in the three variables—`resistance4`, `resistance5`, and `resistance6`—then it computes the sum and prints the result. The code looks really nice because it is easy to understand the unit in which each resistance value is expressed. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_06` folder.

```
var resistance4 = 500.0. $\Omega$ 
var resistance5 = 5.2. $K\Omega$ 
var resistance6 = 3.1. $M\Omega$ 
print("resistance4 in  $\Omega$ : \(resistance4)")
print("resistance5 in  $\Omega$ : \(resistance5)")
print("resistance6 in  $\Omega$ : \(resistance6)")

var totalResistance456 = resistance4 + resistance5 + resistance6

print("Total resistance in  $\Omega$ : \(totalResistance456)")
```

The following lines show the output generated after executing the preceding code:

```
resistance4 in  $\Omega$ : 500.0
resistance5 in  $\Omega$ : 5200.0
resistance6 in  $\Omega$ : 3100000.0
Total resistance in  $\Omega$ : 3105700.0
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:

```

public extension Double {
    public var Ω: Double { return self }
    public var KΩ: Double { return self * 1e3 }
    public var MΩ: Double { return self * 1e6 }
}

var resistance4 = 500.0.Ω
var resistance5 = 5.2.KΩ
var resistance6 = 3.1.MΩ
print("resistance4 in Ω: \(resistance4)")
print("resistance5 in Ω: \(resistance5)")
print("resistance6 in Ω: \(resistance6)")

var totalResistance456 = resistance4 + resistance5 +
    resistance6
print("Total resistance in Ω: \(totalResistance456)")

```

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| 500                                  |
| 5200                                 |
| 3100000                              |
| 500                                  |
| 5200                                 |
| 3100000                              |
| "resistance4 in Ω: 500.0\n"          |
| "resistance5 in Ω: 5200.0\n"         |
| "resistance6 in Ω: 3100000.0\n"      |
| 3105700                              |
| "Total resistance in Ω: 3105700.0\n" |

```

resistance4 in Ω: 500.0
resistance5 in Ω: 5200.0
resistance6 in Ω: 3100000.0
Total resistance in Ω: 3105700.0

```

## Declaring new convenience initializers with extensions

So far, we have always worked with one specific type of initializer for all the classes: *designated and initializers*. These are the primary initializers for a class in Swift, and they make sure that all the properties are initialized. In fact, every class must have at least one designated initializer. However, it is important to note that a class can satisfy this requirement by inheriting a designated initializer from its superclass.

There is another type of initializer known as *convenience initializer* that acts as a secondary initializer and always ends up calling a designated initializer. Convenience initializers are optional, so any class can declare one or more convenience initializers to provide initializers that cover specific use cases or more convenient shortcuts to create instances of a class.

Now, imagine that we cannot access the code for the previously declared `Point3D` class. We are working on an app, and we discover too many use cases in which we have to create an instance of a `Point3D` class based on the values found on any of the following:

- A tuple with three `Int` values: `(Int, Int, Int)`
- A single `Int` value that should be used to initialize `x`, `y`, and `z`
- The `x` and `y` properties in a `Point2D` instance and an `Int` value that adds the `z` component



Swift allows us to add convenience initializers when we extend classes. It isn't possible to add designated initializers using the `extend` keyword.

The following lines use the `extension` keyword to add three convenience initializers to the existing `Point3D` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_07` folder.

```
public extension Point3D {
    convenience init(tuple: (Int, Int, Int)) {
        self.init(x: tuple.0, y: tuple.1, z: tuple.2)
    }

    convenience init(singleValue: Int) {
        self.init(x: singleValue, y: singleValue, z: singleValue)
    }

    convenience init(point2D: Point2D, z: Int) {
        self.init(x: point2D.x, y: point2D.y, z: z)
    }
}
```

The `convenience` keyword before `init` indicates to Swift that we are declaring a convenience initializer instead of the default designated initializer. The first convenience initializer receives a `tuple` argument of type `(Int, Int, Int)` and calls the designated initializer for the class using `self.init` and providing the values for the three required arguments: `x`, `y`, and `z`. The second convenience initializer receives a `singleValue` argument of the `Int` type and calls the designated initializer for the class with `singleValue` for the three required arguments. The third convenience initializer receives two arguments: `point2D` and `z`. The first argument is of the `Point2D` type, and the second is of type `Int`. The convenience initializer calls the designated initializer for the class with `point2D.x` for `x`, `point2D.y` for `y`, and `z` for `z`.

The following lines use the recently added convenience initializers to create instances of the `Point3D` class and print their description. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_07` folder.

```
var tuple1 = (10, 20, 30)
var tuple2 = (5, 10, 15)

var point3D3 = Point3D(tuple: tuple1)
var point3D4 = Point3D(tuple: tuple2)
print(point3D3)
print(point3D4)
```

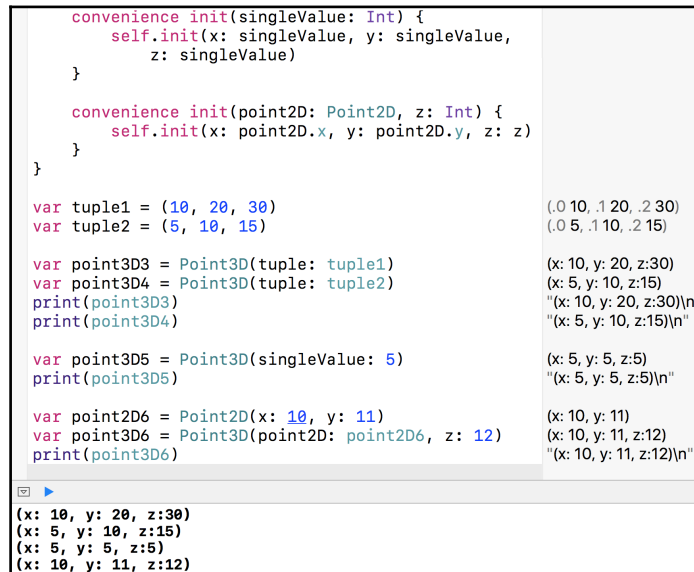
```
var point3D5 = Point3D(singleValue: 5)
print(point3D5)

var point2D6 = Point2D(x: 10, y: 11)
var point3D6 = Point3D(point2D: point2D6, z: 12)
print(point3D6)
```

The following lines show the output generated after executing the preceding code:

```
(x: 10, y: 20, z:30)
(x: 5, y: 10, z:15)
(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)
(x: 10, y: 11, z:12)
```

The following screenshot shows the results of executing the previous lines in the Playground:



```
convenience init(singleValue: Int) {
    self.init(x: singleValue, y: singleValue,
              z: singleValue)
}

convenience init(point2D: Point2D, z: Int) {
    self.init(x: point2D.x, y: point2D.y, z: z)
}
}

var tuple1 = (10, 20, 30)
var tuple2 = (5, 10, 15)

var point3D3 = Point3D(tuple: tuple1)
var point3D4 = Point3D(tuple: tuple2)
print(point3D3)
print(point3D4)

var point3D5 = Point3D(singleValue: 5)
print(point3D5)

var point2D6 = Point2D(x: 10, y: 11)
var point3D6 = Point3D(point2D: point2D6, z: 12)
print(point3D6)
```

(.0 10, .1 20, .2 30)  
(.0 5, .1 10, .2 15)

(x: 10, y: 20, z:30)  
(x: 5, y: 10, z:15)  
"(x: 10, y: 20, z:30)\n"  
"(x: 5, y: 10, z:15)\n"

(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)  
"(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)\n"

(x: 10, y: 11)  
(x: 10, y: 11, z:12)  
"(x: 10, y: 11, z:12)\n"

(x: 10, y: 20, z:30)  
(x: 5, y: 10, z:15)  
(x: 5, y: 5, z:5)  
(x: 10, y: 11, z:12)

## Defining subscripts with extensions

Let's consider that we still cannot access the code for the previously declared `Point3D` class. We are working on an app, and we discover that it would be nice to access the `x`, `y`, and `z` values of a `Point3D` instance with `[0]`, `[1]`, and `[2]`. We can easily add a subscript by extending the `Point3D` class.



The following lines use the `extension` keyword to a subscript to the existing `Point3D` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_08` folder.

```
public extension Point3D {
    public subscript(index: Int) -> Int? {
        switch index {
            case 0: return x
            case 1: return y
            case 2: return z
            default: return nil
        }
    }
}
```

The following lines use the recently added subscript to access the elements of a `Point3D` instance. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_08` folder.

```
var point3D7 = Point3D(x: 10, y: 15, z: 4)
if let point3D7X = point3D7[0] {
    print("X or [0]: \(point3D7X)")
}
if let point3D7Y = point3D7[1] {
    print("Y or [1]: \(point3D7Y)")
}
if let point3D7Z = point3D7[2] {
    print("Z or [2]: \(point3D7Z)")
}
```

The following lines show the output generated after executing the preceding code:

```
X or [0]: 10
Y or [1]: 15
Z or [2]: 4
```

## Working with object-oriented code in iOS apps

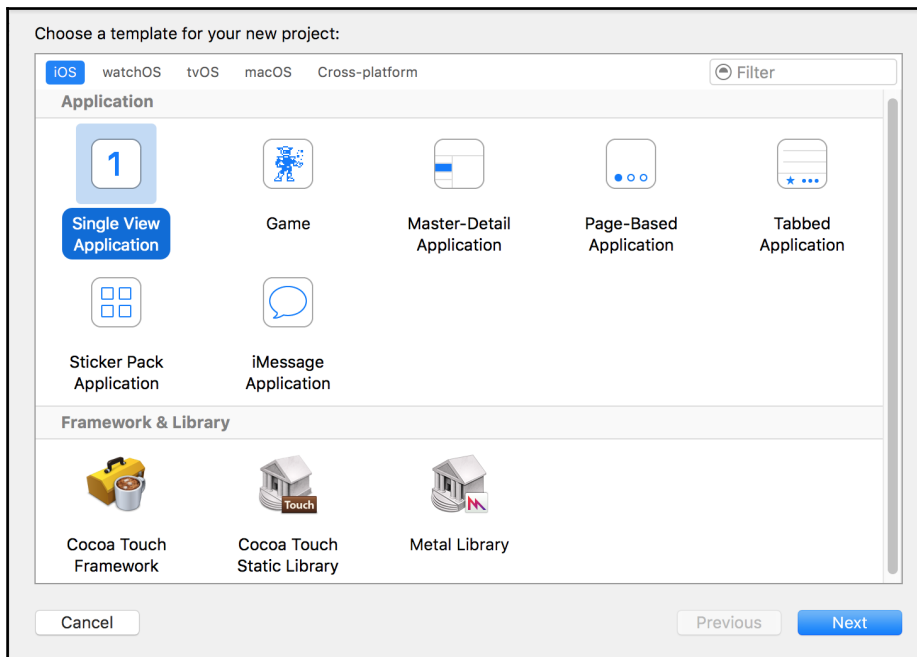
So far, we have created and extended classes in the Playground. In fact, we could execute the same sample code in the Swift REPL and the web-based Swift sandbox.

Now, we will create a simple iOS app based on the Single View Application template with Xcode. We will recognize the usage of object-oriented code included in the template, that is, before we add components and code to the app. Then, we will take advantage of the `GameRepository` class we created in the previous chapter and use it to populate a UI element.

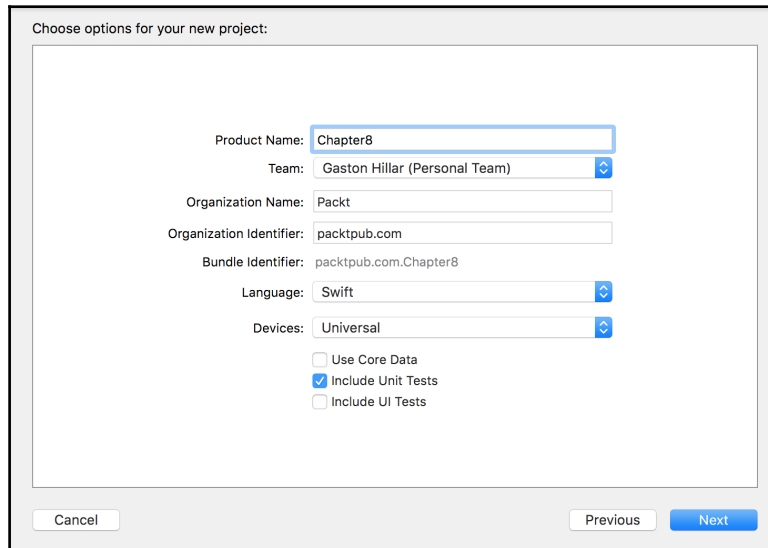


You will need Xcode 8 or greater in order to work with this example.

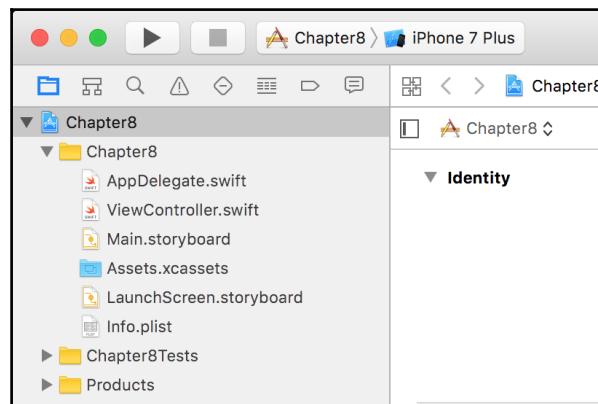
Navigate to **File | New | Project...** in Xcode. Click on **iOS** at the top of the **Choose a template for your new project** dialog box. Select **Single View Application** and click on **Next**, as shown in the following screenshot:



Enter `Chapter 8` in **Product Name** and select **Swift** in language and **Universal** in **Devices**, as shown in the next screenshot. This way, we will create an app that can run on both iPad and iPhone devices. Then, click on **Next**:



Select the desired folder in which you want to create the new project folder; ensure that **Don't add to any project or workspace** is selected in the **Add to** the drop-down list in case this option is shown in the dialog box, and click on **Create**. Xcode will create the new project and all the related files. The following screenshot shows the project navigator located on the left-hand side of the Xcode window:



Now, let's take a look at the initial code for the two Swift source files included in the `Chapter8` module:

- `AppDelegate.swift`: This declares the `AppDelegate` class, and it is the entry point to our application
- `ViewController.swift`: This declares the `ViewController` class

The following lines show the initial code for the `AppDelegate.swift` source file that declares the `AppDelegate` class without the comments that the template includes in each method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
import UIKit

@UIApplicationMain
class AppDelegate: UIResponder, UIApplicationDelegate {

    var window: UIWindow?

    func application(_ application: UIApplication,
                    didFinishLaunchingWithOptions launchOptions:
                    [UIApplicationLaunchOptionsKey: Any]?) -> Bool {
        return true
    }

    func applicationWillResignActive(_ application: UIApplication) {
    }

    func applicationDidEnterBackground(_ application: UIApplication) {
    }

    func applicationWillEnterForeground(_ application: UIApplication) {
    }

    func applicationDidBecomeActive(_ application: UIApplication) {
    }

    func applicationWillTerminate(_ application: UIApplication) {
    }
}
```

The `@UIApplicationMain` attribute included at the top of the declaration of the `AppDelegate` class indicates that the class is designated as the delegate of the shared `UIApplication` object in any iOS app. The `AppDelegate` class is a subclass of the `UIResponder` class and conforms to the `UIApplicationDelegate` protocol. The class declares a window stored property of the `UIWindow` type optional (`UIWindow?`) and six instance methods. All the methods receive an `application` argument of the `UIApplication` type, which is another subclass of `UIResponder`. The `application` argument will always be the same instance of `UIApplication` that represents the current iOS app, that is, our app. The `application` method receives a second argument named `launchOptions` that provides a dictionary with keys indicating the reason that your app was launched for. This method is the only one that has code and just returns `true`.



As you learned in Chapter 3, *Encapsulation of Data with Properties*, Swift 3 normalized the first parameter declaration in methods and functions. As a result of this, by default, Swift 3 externalizes the first parameter. All the methods that receive an `application` argument of the `UIApplication` type in the previous code suppress externalization of the argument label for the first parameter by adding an underscore (`_`) followed by a space before the parameter label (`application`) in each method's declaration. This way, the code generates methods that we can call without specifying the argument label for the first parameter, that is, with the default behavior we had in Swift 2.3 and 2.2.

The following lines show the initial code for the `ViewController.swift` source file that declares the `ViewController` class without the comments that the template includes in each method. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
import UIKit

class ViewController: UIViewController {

    override func viewDidLoad() {
        super.viewDidLoad()
    }

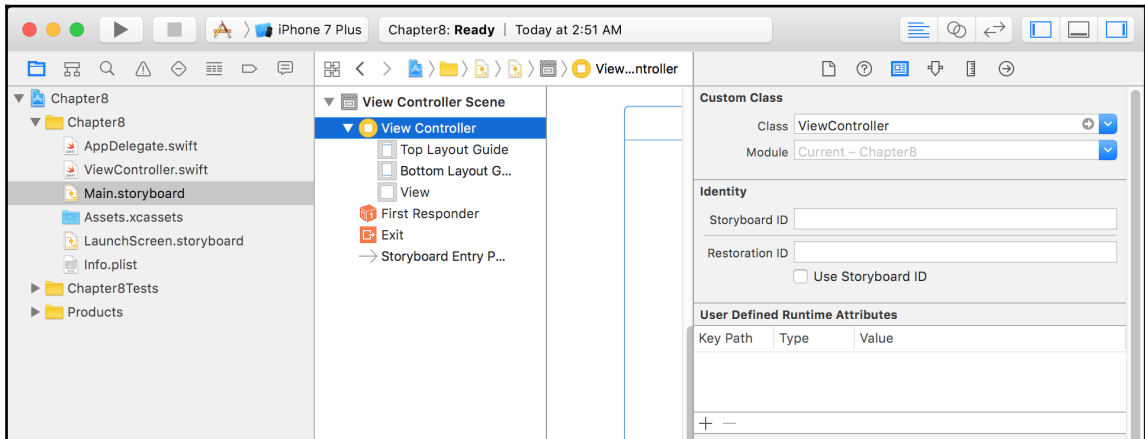
    override func didReceiveMemoryWarning() {
        super.didReceiveMemoryWarning()
    }
}
```

The `ViewController` class is a subclass of the `UIViewController` class and overrides two parameterless instance methods: `viewDidLoad` and `didReceiveMemoryWarning`. Both methods include a line of code that calls the method with the same name in its superclass.

It is important to take into account that the `UIViewController` class—that is, the superclass for `ViewController`—is a subclass of the `UIResponder` class and conforms to the following protocols: `NSCoding`, `UIAppearanceContainer`, `UITraitEnvironment`, `UIContentContainer`, and `UIFocusEnvironment`.

We just created a new project based on a template, and we are already working with classes that have superclasses, conform to protocols, declare stored properties, define instance methods, and override inherited instance methods. Everything you learned in the previous chapters is extremely useful to adding object-oriented code to the initial templates for any kind of app or application, and it is also useful to understand how to interact with the different object-oriented frameworks based on our targets.

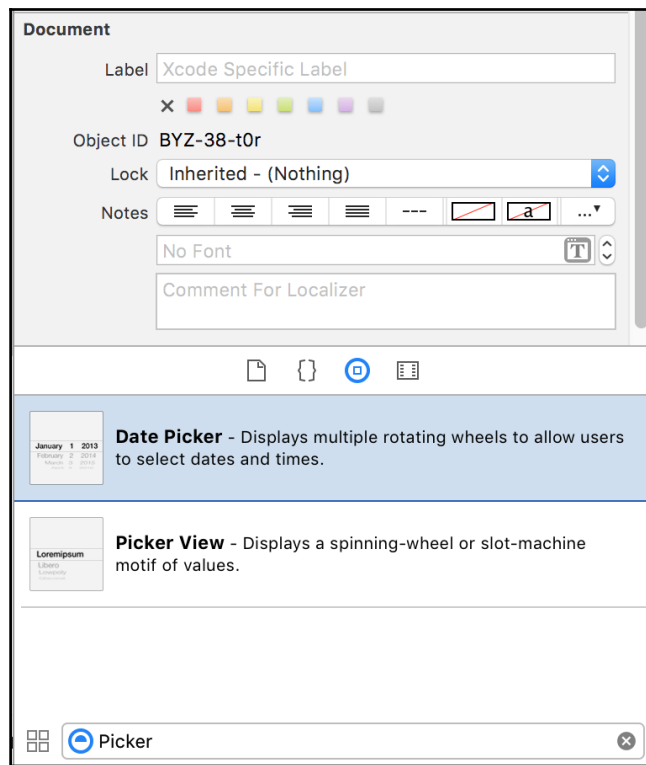
Click on **Main.storyboard** in the Project Navigator on the left-hand side of the Xcode window. The editor will switch to a design view that displays how the view will look. Click on **View Controller** under **View Controller Scene**. Make sure that you see the **Utilities** pane on the right-hand side and check the values for **Identity Inspector**. In order to do so, navigate to **View | Utilities | Show Identity Inspector** or press *Command + Option + 3*. The value for **Class** will be `ViewController` under **Custom Class**, as shown in the following screenshot:



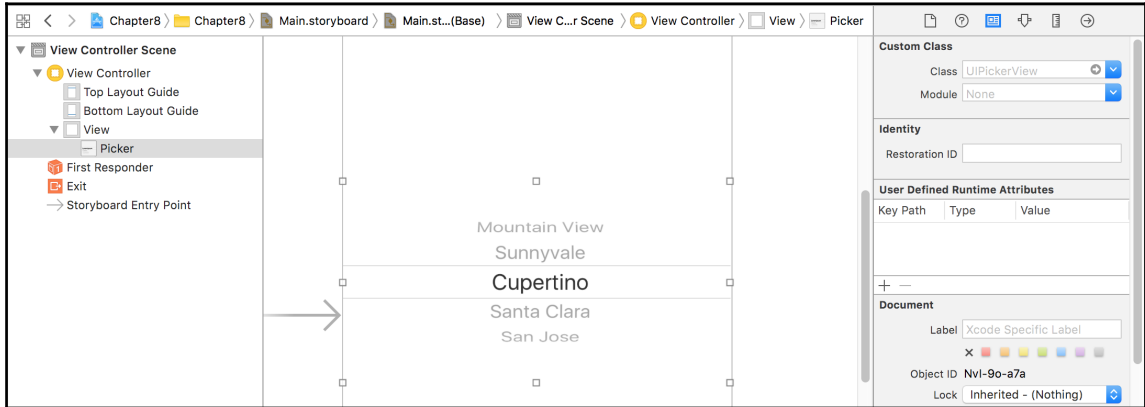
The previously introduced `ViewController` class is the custom class associated with the **View Controller** tab in the main storyboard for the iOS app. We will add code to this class later.

Now, we want to add and connect a simple UI element that will allow us to make a selection from multiple choices—specifically a `UIPickerView` instance. A picker view uses a spinning-wheel or slot-machine metaphor to show one or more sets of values. We can select the desired values by rotating the wheels and making the desired row of values align with a selection indicator.

Make sure that the **Object Library** tab is visible in **Library View**, which Xcode displays in the bottom half of the **Utilities** pane on the right-hand side. You just need to click on the **Show the Object Library** button at the top of the bottom half. Click on the **Filter** textbox located at the bottom and type `Picker`. **Object Library** will display all the objects that contain `Picker`, and one of them is **Picker View**, as shown in the following screenshot:



Drag **Picker View** from the previously shown list to the rectangle that defines the view in the preview. This way, we will have a **Picker View** component on the view in the main storyboard, as shown in the following screenshot. Note that the class is `UIPickerView`:

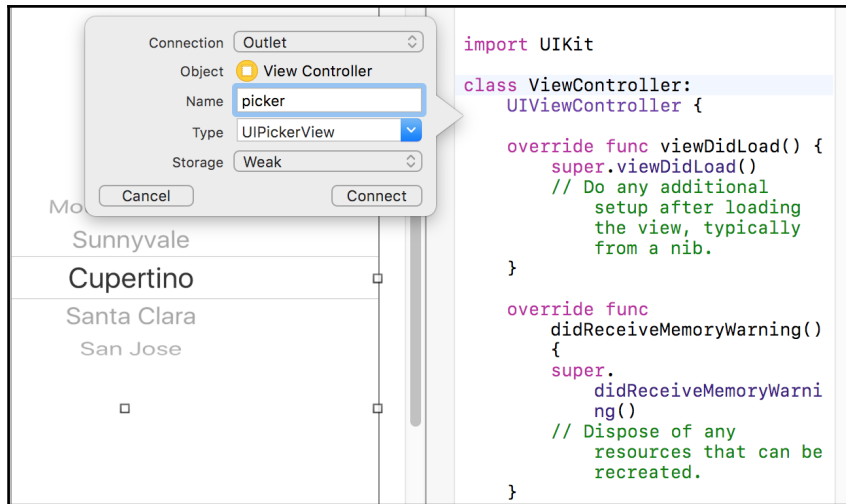


We added a **Picker View** component to the view. Now, we have to expose the component to make it accessible through code in the previously analyzed `ViewController` class.

Navigate to **View | Assistant Editor | Show Assistant Editor** in the Xcode menu or simply click on the button with two intersecting circles in the upper-right corner (the second button). Xcode will display the source code for the `ViewController` class on the right-hand side of the view preview for the main storyboard.

Press the `Ctrl` key and hold it while you drag the recently added **Picker View** component from the view to the blank line after the `ViewController` class declaration. Xcode will display a line and a tooltip with the following legend at the position to which you are dragging the mouse: **Insert Outlet or Outlet Collection**. Release the `Ctrl` key, and Xcode will display a pop-up dialog box asking us for a name for the new property and `IBOutlet` that it will create. Enter `picker` in the **Name** textbox and then click on **Connect**:





After we click on the **Connect** button, the following highlighted line will appear within the ViewController class body. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
class ViewController: UIViewController {
    @IBOutlet weak var picker: UIPickerView!
```

The new line uses the `@IBOutlet` decorator to indicate the outlet connection. The line declares a `picker` stored property as a weak reference to an implicitly unwrapped optional `UIPickerView`. The `weak` keyword instructs Swift to use a weak reference that allows the possibility of the object that the property points to become `nil` and avoids retain cycles.

The exclamation mark (!) after the `UIPickerView` class name indicates that Xcode wants Swift to treat `picker` as an implicitly unwrapped optional `UIPickerView` class. This way, the optional will be automatically unwrapped whenever the property is used. However, if it points to `nil`, it will trigger a runtime error.

You will notice there are two small circles on the left-hand side of the new line of code. If you let the cursor hover over this small icon, Xcode will highlight the **Picker View** component in the view connected to this property. If you click on the icon, Xcode will display a tooltip with the storyboard name, **Main.storyboard**, and the related component, **Picker**, as shown in the following screenshot:



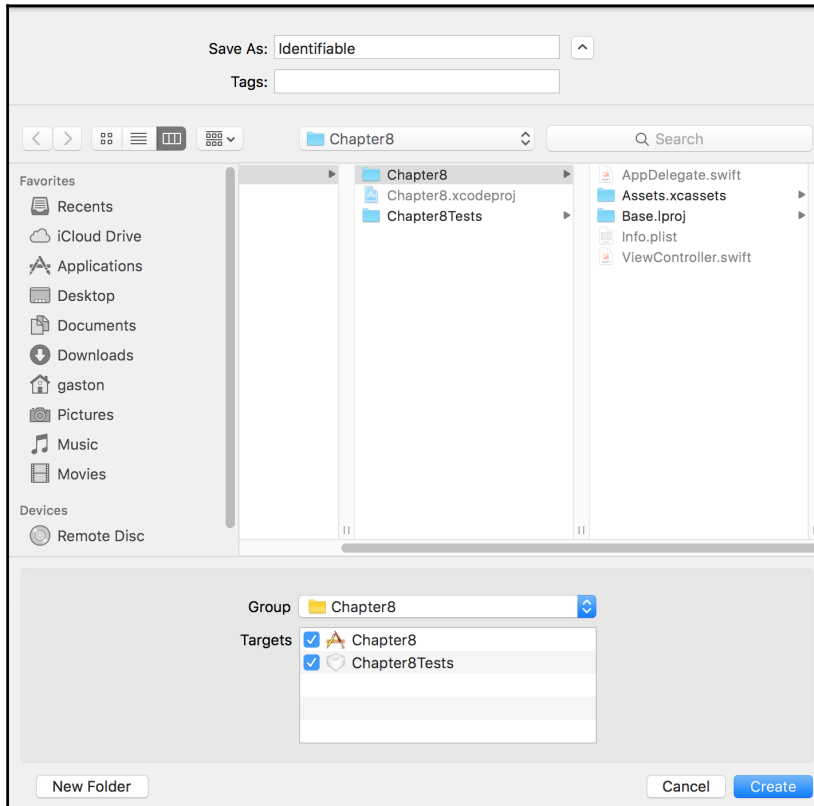
We can easily interact with the **Picker View** component through the recently added `picker` property in our `ViewController` class.

## Adding an object-oriented data repository to a project

Now, we will add one protocol and many classes we created in the previous chapter to generate the `GameRepository` class. We want to display a list of game names in the **Picker View**. We will add the following Swift source files in the project within the `Chapter8` group:

- `Identifiable.swift`
- `Entity.swift`
- `Repository.swift`
- `Game.swift`
- `GameRepository.swift`

Click on the **Chapter8** group in Project Navigator (the icon represents a folder). Do not confuse it with the **Chapter8** project that is the parent for the **Chapter8** group. Navigate to **File | New | File...** and select **Swift File** as the template for your new file. Then, click on **Next** and enter **Identifiable** in the **Save As** textbox. Make sure that **Chapter8** with the folder icon is selected in the **Group** drop-down menu, as shown in the next screenshot, and then click on **Create**. Swift will add the new `Identifiable.swift` source file to the **Chapter8** group within the **Chapter8** project:



Add the following code for the recently created `Identifiable.swift` source file. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
public protocol Identifiable {  
    var id: Int { get }  
}
```

Follow the previously explained steps to add a new `Entity.swift` source file to the **Chapter8** group within the **Chapter8** project. Add the following code to the new source file. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
open class Entity: Identifiable {
    open let id: Int

    init(id: Int) {
        self.id = id
    }
}
```

Follow the previously explained steps to add a new `Repository.swift` source file to the **Chapter8** group within the **Chapter8** project. Add the following code to the new source file. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
open class Repository<Element: Identifiable> {
    open func getAll() -> [Element] {
        return [Element]()
    }
}
```

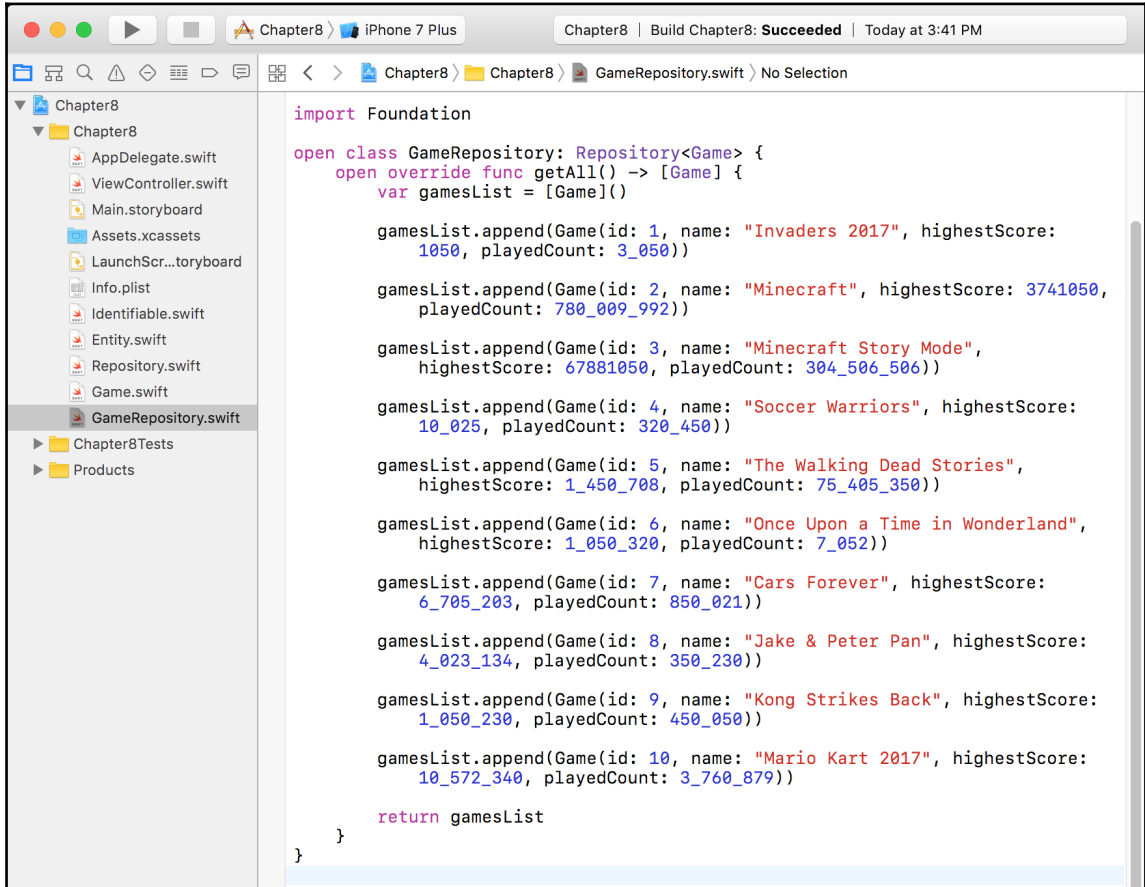
Follow the previously explained steps to add a new `Game.swift` source file to the **Chapter8** group within the **Chapter8** project. Add the following code to the new source file. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
open class Game: Entity, CustomStringConvertible {
    open var name: String
    open var highestScore: Int
    open var playedCount: Int
    open var description: String {
        get {
            return "id: \(id), name: "\(name)", highestScore:
                \(highestScore),
                playedCount: \(playedCount)"
        }
    }
    init(id: Int, name: String, highestScore: Int, playedCount: Int) {
        self.name = name
        self.highestScore = highestScore
        self.playedCount = playedCount
        super.init(id: id)
    }
}
```

Follow the previously explained steps to add a new `GameRepository.swift` source file to the **Chapter8** group within the **Chapter8** project. Add the following code to the new source file. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
open class GameRepository: Repository<Game> {
    open override func getAll() -> [Game] {
        var gamesList = [Game]()
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 1, name: "Invaders 2017", highestScore:
1050,
        playedCount: 3_050))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 2, name: "Minecraft", highestScore:
3741050,
        playedCount: 780_009_992))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 3, name: "Minecraft Story Mode",
        highestScore: 67881050, playedCount: 304_506_506))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 4, name: "Soccer Warriors", highestScore:
10_025,
        playedCount: 320_450))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 5, name: "The Walking Dead Stories",
        highestScore: 1_450_708, playedCount: 75_405_350))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 6, name: "Once Upon a Time in
Wonderland",
        highestScore: 1_050_320, playedCount: 7_052))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 7, name: "Cars Forever", highestScore:
6_705_203,
        playedCount: 850_021))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 8, name: "Jake & Peter Pan",
highestScore: 4_023_134,
        playedCount: 350_230))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 9, name: "Kong Strikes Back",
        highestScore: 1_050_230, playedCount: 450_050))
        gamesList.append(Game(id: 10, name: "Mario Kart 2017",
        highestScore: 10_572_340, playedCount: 3_760_879))
        return gamesList
    }
}
```

We added all the necessary source files to include the protocol and the classes that allow us to work with the `GameRepository` class in our app. The following screenshot shows the Project Navigator with all the new files added to the **Chapter8** group. In this case, we will add all the files to the same group. However, in more complex apps, it would be convenient to split the files in different groups to have a better organization of the code:



## Interacting with an object-oriented data repository through Picker View

Now, we have to add code to the `ViewController` class in the `ViewController.swift` source file to make the class conform to two additional protocols:

`UIPickerViewDataSource` and `UIPickerViewDelegate`. The conformance to the `UIPickerViewDataSource` protocol allows us to use the class as a data source for the `UIPickerView` class that represents the Picker View component. The conformance to the `UIPickerViewDelegate` protocol allows us to handle the events raised by the `UIPickerView` class.

The following lines show the new code for the `ViewController` class. The code file for the sample is included in the `swift_3_oop_chapter_08_09` folder.

```
class ViewController: UIViewController, UIPickerViewDelegate,
UIPickerViewDataSource {
    @IBOutlet weak var picker: UIPickerView!

    private var gamesList: [Game] = [Game]()

    override func viewDidLoad() {
        super.viewDidLoad()
        // Do any additional setup after loading the view, typically from a
nib.
        picker.delegate = self
        picker.dataSource = self

        let gameRepository = GameRepository()
        gamesList = gameRepository.getAll()
    }

    override func didReceiveMemoryWarning() {
        super.didReceiveMemoryWarning()
        // Dispose of any resources that can be recreated.
    }

    func numberOfComponents(in pickerView: UIPickerView) -> Int {
        // Return the number of columns of data
        return 1
    }
}
```

```
func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView,
numberOfRowsInComponent component: Int)
-> Int {
    // Return the number of rows of data
    return gamesList.count
}

func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView, titleForRow row: Int,
forComponent component: Int) -> String? {
    // Return the data for the row. In this case,
    // we don't have columns
    return gamesList[row].name
}

func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView,
didSelectRow row: Int, inComponent component: Int) {
    // Retrieve the game for the selected row
    let selectedGame = gamesList[row]
    print("Selected game name: \(selectedGame.name).
Highest score: \(selectedGame.highestScore)")
}
}
```

We made changes to the class declaration to make it conform to the two additional protocols. We declared a private `gamesList` stored property of the `Array<Game>` type. We used the `[Game]` shortcut for this type. We then added the following lines to the overridden `viewDidLoad` method.

```
picker.delegate = self
picker.dataSource = self

let gameRepository = GameRepository()
gamesList = gameRepository.getAll()
```

The code assigns the current instance of the `ViewController` class identified by `self` to the `picker.delegate` property. We can do this because the `ViewController` class conforms to the `UIPickerViewDelegate` protocol. Then, the code assigns the current instance of the `ViewController` class to the `picker.dataSource` property. We can do this because the `ViewController` class conforms to the `UIPickerViewDataSource` protocol. This way, we can specify the data source and delegate for **Picker View**.

Then, we will create an instance of the `GameRepository` class and save `Array<Game>` with the list of games returned by the `getAll` method in the `gamesList` property. This way, we will be able to use `gamesList` later.



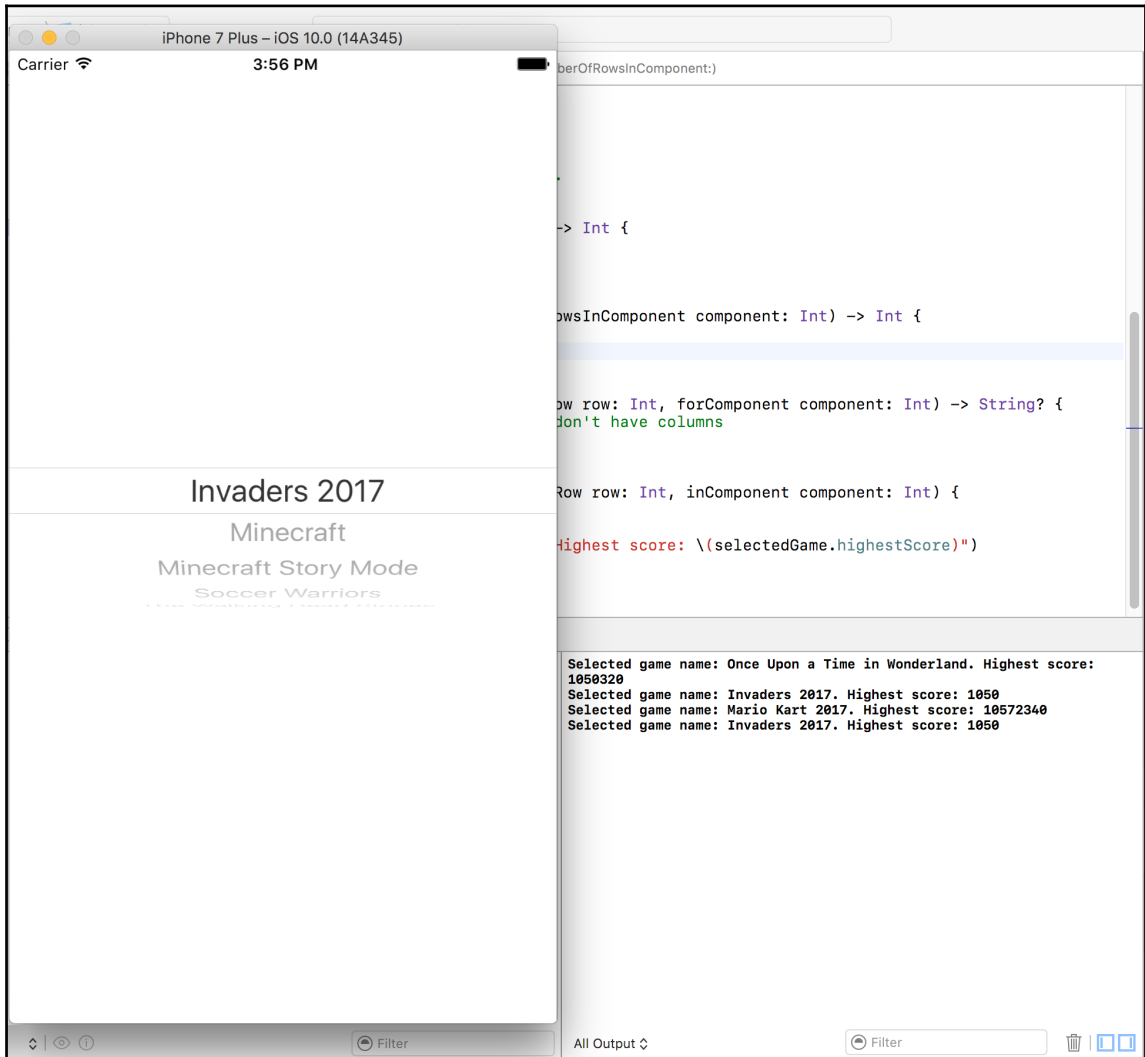
Then, we implemented two methods declared in the `UIPickerViewDataSource` protocol:

- `func numberOfComponentsInPickerView(in pickerView: UIPickerView) -> Int`: This returns the number of columns to display in **Picker View**. In this case, we just want to display the name for each game, so we added code to this method to return 1.
- `func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView, numberOfRowsInComponent component: Int) -> Int`: This returns the number of rows to be displayed in each component or column. In this case, we just have one column, and we will display the number of games included in `gamesListArray<Game>`. Thus, we added code to this method to return `gamesList.count`.

Finally, we implemented two methods declared in the `UIPickerViewDelegate` protocol:

- `func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView, titleForRow row: Int, forComponent component: Int) -> String?`: This returns the data for the row to be displayed in **Picker View**. In this case, we just want to display the name for each game, so we added code to this method to return the `name` property for the `gamesList` element at the received `row` value.
- `func pickerView(_ pickerView: UIPickerView, didSelectRow row: Int, inComponent component: Int)`: Whenever the user makes a change to the **Picker View** selection, this method is executed, and the `row` argument includes the value for the selected row. We use the `row` value to retrieve the `Game` instance corresponding to the same index value for the `gamesList` array and then call `print` to display the selected game name and `highestScore` property values on the target output.

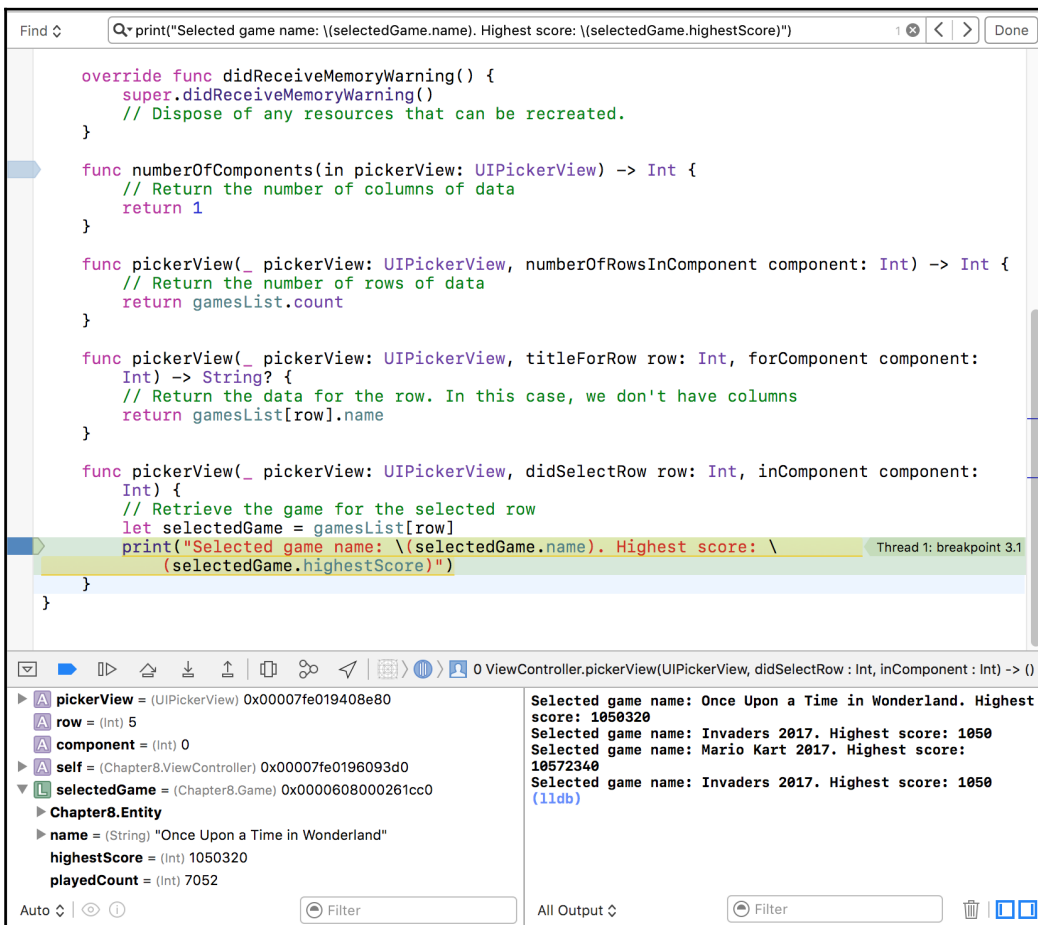
Now, we can debug the iOS app on an installed iOS simulator running iOS 10, such as an iPhone 7 Plus. Click on the **Play** button in the upper-left corner of the Xcode window. Once the simulator launches and the app begins its execution, you will see the **Picker View** component displaying all the game names. When we select a game in the **Picker View**, the target output will display the selected game name and its highest score, as shown in the following screenshot:



Go to the Xcode editor for the `ViewController.swift` source file and move the cursor to the following line in the `ViewController` class:

```
print("Selected game name: \(selectedGame.name). Highest score:
\(selectedGame.highestScore)")
```

Navigate to **Debug | Breakpoint | Add Breakpoint at Current Line**. Go back to the simulator and select a different game name from **Picker View**. Xcode will hit the breakpoint, and we will be able to inspect the value for the `selectedGame` constant that references an instance of `Game`. The debugger will display the `id` property as part of `Chapter8.Entity` because this property is inherited from the `Entity` class. The values for the other properties defined in the `Game` class are listed after the `id` property, as shown in the following screenshot:



In this case, we have just a few `Game` instances in the game list. However, we must take into account that sometimes, it won't be convenient to have all the instances alive in case they have a big impact on memory consumption. We can transform the data from the instances to instances that have less memory footprint and retrieve the entire instances by a related ID when we change the selection in **Picker View**. For example, we can generate instances that only have a few stored properties instead of working with instances with all the properties. In this case, the `Game` instance doesn't have too many properties. However, in other cases, we might have instances that have dozens of properties.



Object-oriented code is great. However, we should not forget memory footprint, as the number of required instances to keep alive increases in certain use cases. In our previous example, it doesn't make sense to transform the `Game` instances into simpler values because the code won't cause any memory issues.

## Exercises

Use the recently created iOS app as the baseline and extend it to provide the following features:

- Add a text box to allow the user to enter the text that the game names must match in order to be displayed as an option in **View Picker**
- After the user selects a game in **View Picker**, display a new view that shows the highest score and the played count for the chosen game

## Test your knowledge

1. We can add the following type of initializers to a class with extensions:
  1. Convenience initializers.
  2. Designated initializers.
  3. Primary initializers.
2. We can add the following type of properties to a class with extensions:
  1. Read/write stored type properties.
  2. Primary properties.
  3. Computed instance properties and computed type properties.

3. Convenience initializers are:
  1. Optional.
  2. Required.
  3. Required only in superclasses.
4. A convenience initializer acts as:
  1. A required initializer that doesn't need to call any other initializer.
  2. A secondary initializer that doesn't need to call any other initializer.
  3. A secondary initializer that always ends up calling a designated initializer.
5. If we declare the type for a property as `UIPickerView!`, Swift will treat the property as:
  1. An implicitly wrapped optional.
  2. An implicitly unwrapped optional.
  3. An exact equivalent of `UIPickerView?`.
6. The default code for the `AppDelegate` class declares methods that receive an `application` argument as the first parameter and:
  1. Suppresses externalization of the argument label by adding an underscore (`_`) followed by a space before the parameter label (`application`) in each method's declaration.
  2. Enforces externalization of the argument label by adding an underscore (`_`) followed by a space before the parameter label (`application`) in each method's declaration.
  3. Suppresses externalization of the argument label by adding an asterisk (`*`) followed by a space before the parameter label (`application`) in each method's declaration.

## Summary

In this chapter, you learned how to add methods, computed properties, convenience initializers, and scripts using extensions and without editing the original source code for the original classes or types. Then, we analyzed the initial object-oriented code in the Single View Application template for an iOS app.

We added a simple UI element to the template and then we added classes that we tested in the Swift Playground in the previous chapter. We interacted with a simple object-oriented data repository through Picker View and discussed how object-oriented code is everywhere in an iOS app.

Now that you have learned to write object-oriented code in Swift, you are ready to use everything you learned in real-life applications that will not only rock, but also maximize code reuse and simplify maintenance.

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## Exercise Answers

### Chapter 1, Objects from the Real World to the Playground

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 3       |
| Q2        | 2       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 2       |
| Q5        | 3       |
| Q6        | 1       |
| Q7        | 2       |
| Q8        | 1       |
| Q9        | 2       |

## Chapter 2, Structures, Classes, and Instances

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 2       |
| Q2        | 1       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 3       |
| Q5        | 1       |
| Q6        | 3       |

## Chapter 3, Encapsulation of Data with Properties

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 1       |
| Q2        | 3       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 2       |
| Q5        | 2       |
| Q6        | 1       |
| Q7        | 2       |
| Q8        | 1       |



## Chapter 4, Inheritance, Abstraction, and Specialization

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 1       |
| Q2        | 2       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 2       |
| Q5        | 3       |
| Q6        | 3       |
| Q7        | 1       |
| Q8        | 2       |

## Chapter 5, Contract Programming with Protocols

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 2       |
| Q2        | 3       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 1       |
| Q5        | 3       |
| Q6        | 2       |

## Chapter 6, Maximization of Code Reuse with Generic Code

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 1       |
| Q2        | 3       |
| Q3        | 2       |
| Q4        | 1       |
| Q5        | 2       |

## Chapter 7, Object-Oriented and Functional Programming

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 2       |
| Q2        | 1       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 3       |
| Q5        | 3       |

## Chapter 8, Extending and Building Object-Oriented Code

| Questions | Answers |
|-----------|---------|
| Q1        | 1       |
| Q2        | 3       |
| Q3        | 1       |
| Q4        | 3       |
| Q5        | 2       |
| Q6        | 1       |

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