



iPhone Application Programming

Lab 3: Swift Types and Custom Operator

+ A02 discussion



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Learning Objectives

- Discuss A02
- Another implementation for A02
 - Concepts: swift types (class, struct, enum), extensions, operators, typealias, access control, closures, first responder, alert view
- Introduce A03

A02 Discussion

- KVO is another mechanism from object-to-object combination, especially Model → Controller
 - The observed object should inherit from **NSObject**. The observed property should be **dynamic**
 - The observing object should declare a context variable and override **observeValueForKeyPath**. Don't forget to remove the observer in **deinit**
- Device orientation (inherited from **UIViewController**)
 - Support orientations in overridden function **supportedInterfaceOrientations**
 - React to orientation change in **willRotateToInterfaceOrientation**
 - Swap views (portrait and landscape), or swap view controllers in a navigation controller, or implement constraints manually???
- The **info.plist** and the project settings should be equivalent when configuring your app
- `let tempValues = (-80...80).map { $0 }`

Store and Retrieve Data from UserDefaults

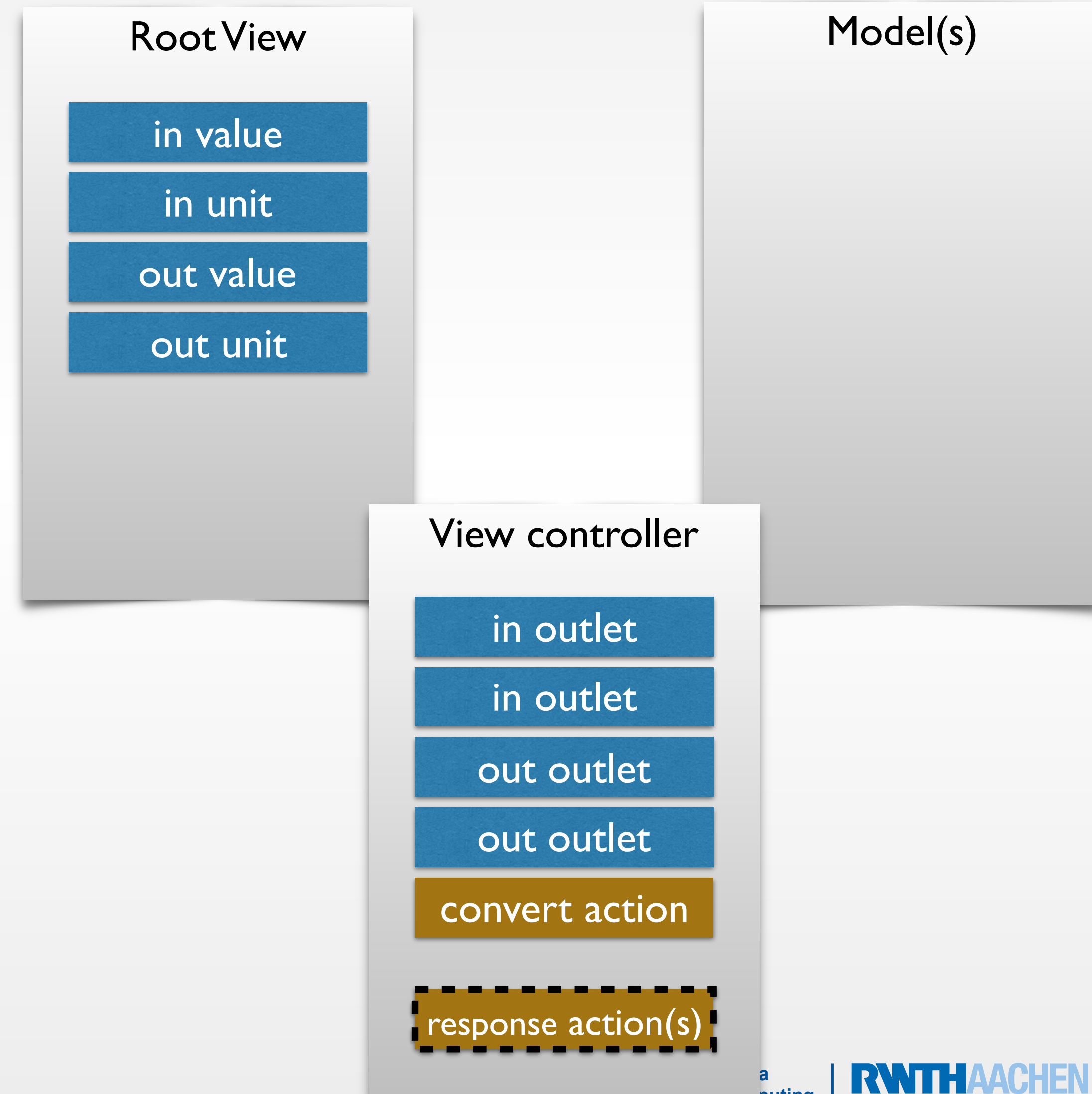
```
override func viewDidLoad() {
    super.viewDidLoad()
    let row = selectedRow()
    ...
}
func selectedRow() -> Int {
    let selectedRow = UserDefaults.standardUserDefaults().objectForKey(userDefaultsLastRowKey) as? Int
    if let _ = selectedRow {
        return selectedRow
    } else {
        ...
    }
}
func pickerView(pickerView: UIPickerView, didSelectRow row: Int,
inComponent component: Int) {
    ...
    saveSelectedRow(row)
}
func saveSelectedRow(row: Int) {
    let defaults = UserDefaults.standardUserDefaults()
    defaults.setInteger(row, forKey: userDefaultsLastRowKey)
    defaults.synchronize()
}
```

A02 Reimplemented

- Functionality, extend to include Kelvin
- App structure: MVC
- Conversion algorithm

App Structure

- Read input: temperature value, from unit, to unit
- Convert temperature value (from unit → to unit)
- Write output: converted temperature value
- V from a design specification sheet
- C connect to V and M
- M?



Models

- We have a temperature of 2 properties: `value` and `unit` and a `convert` function
 - Class or Struct? to encapsulate `Temperature`
- We have 3 types of temperature units
 - Enums can have functions that operate on their cases

Classes

- Inheritance
 - Initializers initialize all members before calling the parent initializer (2-phase init)
- Support for de-initializers
- Provide reference semantics
- Are (usually) created on the heap
- Good for shared data, large data, or as a resource handle

```
class Person {
  var firstName: String
  var lastName: String
  var available = true

  init(firstName: String, lastName: String) {
    self.firstName = firstName
    self.lastName = lastName
  }

  func marry(other: Person, takeTheirName: Bool) {
    if (takeTheirName) {
      self.lastName = other.lastName
    }
    self.available = false
  }

  func stringify() -> String {
    return firstName + " " + lastName +
      (available ? " is still available!"
        : " is married.")
  }
}
```


Structs

- Collection of named properties
- Can have initializers and methods
- Provide value semantics
- Are (usually) created on the stack
- Can conform to protocols, can have extensions, but no inheritance
- Good for data aggregation without implicit sharing

```
struct MapPoint: Stringifiable {
    var longitude: Double
    var latitude: Double

    func rhumbDistance(other: MapPoint) ->
Double {
    let dLong = self.longitude -
other.longitude
    let dLat = self.latitude - other.latitude
    return sqrt(dLong * dLong + dLat * dLat)
}

func stringify() -> String {
    return "\(\longitude); \(\latitude)"
}
}
```

Structs vs. Classes

- **Structs**

- short lived objects
- objects that are created often
- model objects
- data capsules
(represent only their values)

- **Classes**

- long lived objects
- controller and view objects
- class hierarchies
- objects in the true sense (representing some identity)

If unsure, try a struct first; you can change it later

Models

We have a temperature of 2 properties: `value` and `unit` and a `convert` function

Class or Struct? `Temperature`

- We have 3 types of temperature units
 - Enum `TemperatureUnit`
 - Enums can have functions that operate on their cases

Enumerations

- Represent a finite number of states
- There are two distinct types of enumerations in Swift
 - Raw value enumerations
 - Similar to Java or C enumerations
 - Associated value enumerations
 - Similar to tagged unions (e.g. in Haskell)

Raw Value Enumerations

- Much more powerful than C enumerations
 - Can have methods and initializers, can have extensions and can conform to protocols
- More flexible than Java enumerations
 - Can be defined over other underlying types (String, Character, all numeric types)

```
enum TrainClass: String, Stringifiable {
  case S = "S-Bahn"
  case RB = "Regionalbahn"
  case RE = "Regional-Express"
  case IC = "Intercity"
  case ICE = "Intercity Express"
  static let allCases = [S, RB, RE, IC, ICE]

  func onTime() -> Bool {
    if self == .S || self == .ICE {
      return true
    }
    return false
  }

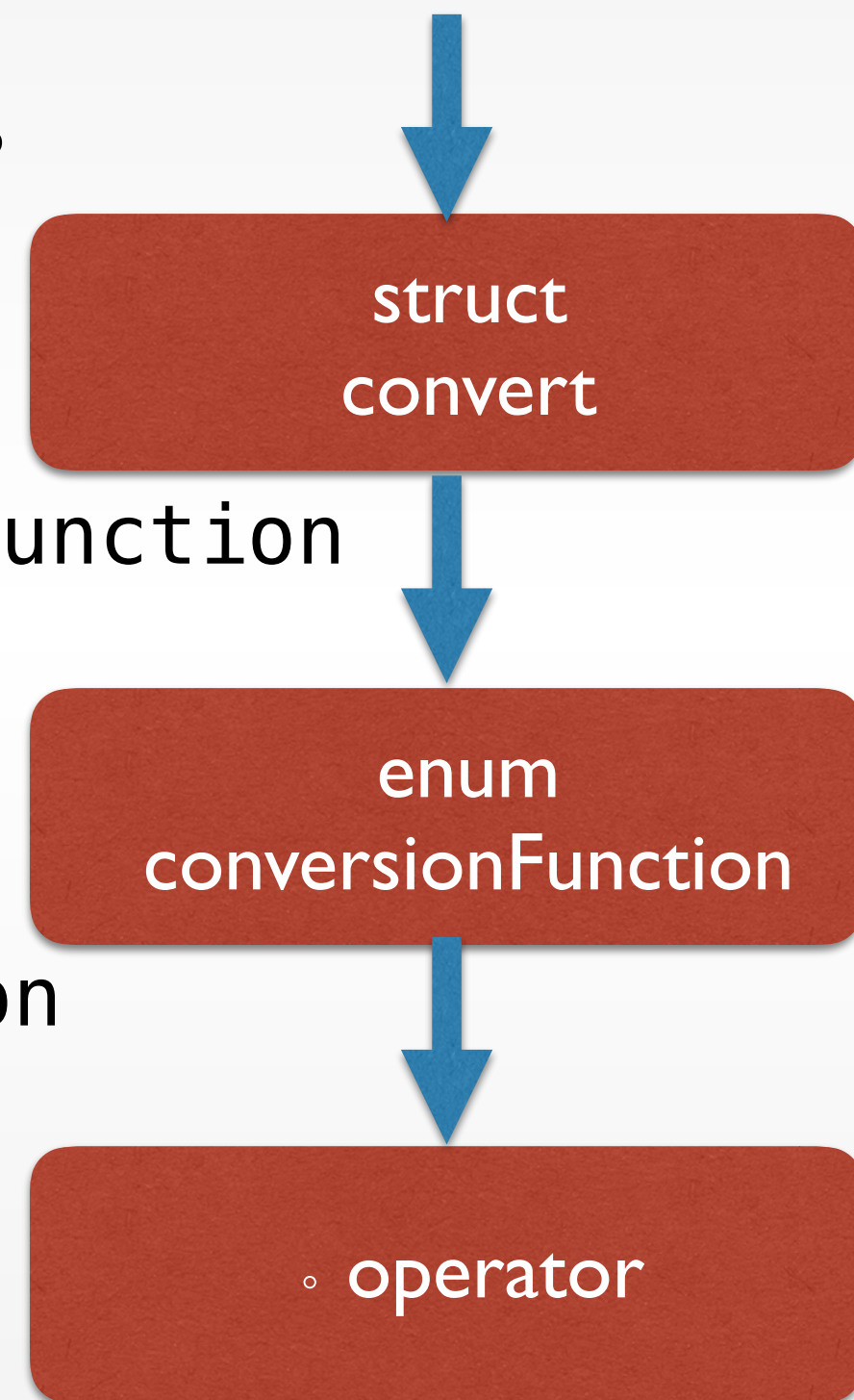
  func stringify() -> String {
    return self.rawValue
  }
}
```


Conversion Algorithm

this is the value and units

return to me a conversion function
unit is..., target unit is...

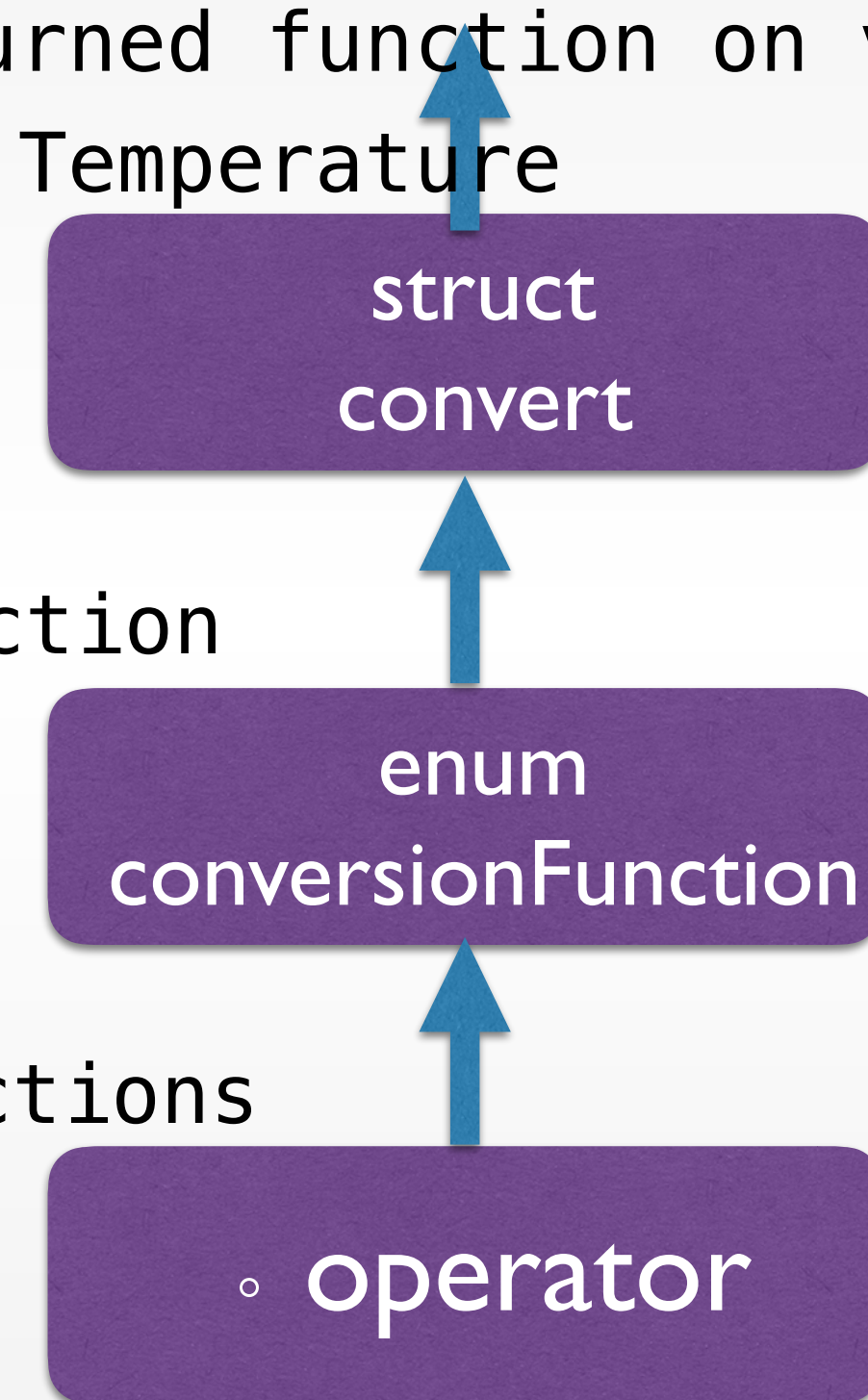
create a conversion function
between these units...



- a. execute returned function on value
- b. creates new Temperature

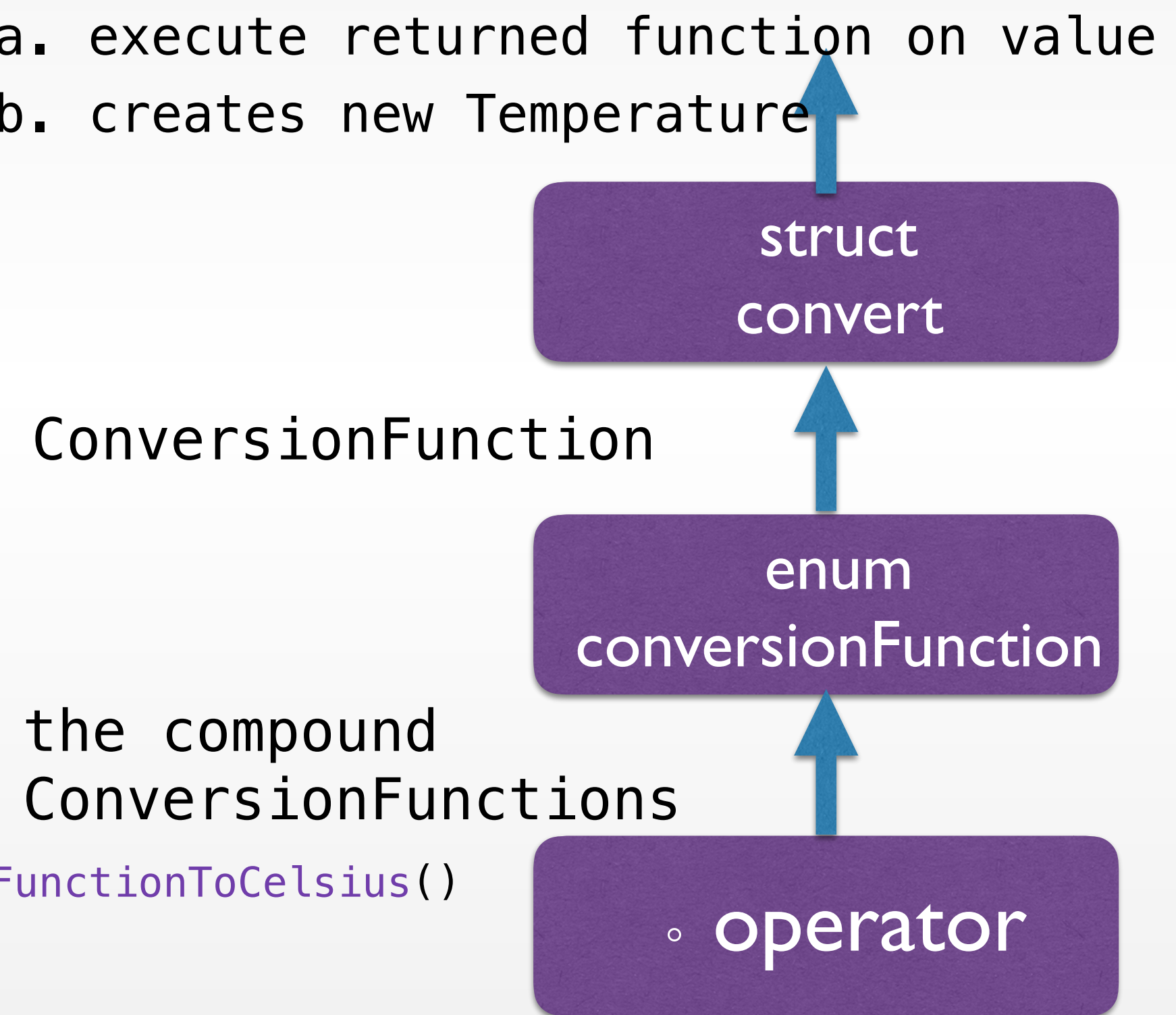
ConversionFunction

the compound
ConversionFunctions



Conversion Algorithm

- We want a function that takes temperature value, converts it to celsius, and then from celsius to target unit
 - `typealias ConversionFunction = (Double) -> Double`
 - a. execute returned function on value
 - b. creates new Temperature
- In the enum `TemperatureUnit`
 - `someCase.conversionFunction`, which calls
 - `someCase.conversionFunctionToCelsius`
 - `someCase.conversionFunctionFromCelsius`
- We will make `conversionFunction` call a custom operator
 - `targetUnitCase.conversionFunctionFromCelsius()` ◦ `currentUnitCase.conversionFunctionToCelsius()`
 - returns a compound function (type `ConversionFunction`)
`conversionFunctionFromCelsius(conversionFunctionToCelsius(value))`



Conversion Algorithm

```
struct Temperature {  
  let value : Double  
  let unit : TemperatureUnit  
  func convert(toTargetUnit targetUnit: TemperatureUnit) -> Temperature  
  {unit.conversionFunction....}  
}
```

```
typealias ConversionFunction = (Double) -> Double  
enum TemperatureUnit : String {  
  case celsius = "°C"  
  case fahrenheit = "°F"  
  case kelvin = "°K"  
  private func conversionFunctionFromCelsius() -> ConversionFunction {...}  
  private func conversionFunctionToCelsius() -> ConversionFunction {...}  
  func conversionFunction(toUnit targetUnit: TemperatureUnit) -> ConversionFunction {...}  
}
```

```
infix operator ◦ {associativity right precedence 150}  
  
func ◦ (lhs: ConversionFunction, rhs: ConversionFunction) -> ConversionFunction {  
  return {(value : Double) -> Double in  
    return lhs(rhs(value))  
  }  
}
```

Access Control

- **private** entities are available only from within the source file where they are defined
- **internal** entities are available to the entire module that includes the definition (e.g. an app or framework target) ← the default case
- **public** entities are intended for use as API, and can be accessed by any file that imports the module, e.g. as a framework used in several of your projects
- Apply to classes, structures, and enumerations, properties, methods, initializers, and subscripts
- Global constants, variables, functions, and protocols can be restricted to a certain context

Custom Operators

- Operators can be declared at global scope
- Can have prefix, infix or postfix modifiers
- Infix operators have associativity and precedence values
- Operators are implemented as functions at global scope
- Be very conservative when overloading operators!

```
infix operator ◦ {associativity right precedence 150}
func ◦ (lhs: ConversionFunction, rhs: ConversionFunction)
-> ConversionFunction {
    return {(value : Double) -> Double in
        return lhs(rhs(value))
    }
}
```


Extensions

- Similar to Objective-C categories
- Can extend Structs, Classes, Enumerations
- Can add functions, computed properties, nested types
- Can declare protocol conformance
- Cannot override existing functionality
- Often useful to clean up code structure

```
extension Temperature : CustomStringConvertible {  
    var description : String {  
        get {  
            return (NSString(format: "%.2d", self.value) as  
String) + self.unit.rawValue  
        }  
    }  
}
```

CustomStringConvertible

protocol CustomStringConvertible

Inherits From

Not Applicable

Conforms To

Not Applicable

Import Statement

```
import Swift
```

Nested Types

Not Applicable

Adopted By

Array
ArraySlice
Bool
CGFloat
ClosedInterval
ContiguousArray
DarwinBoolean

Availability

Not Applicable

A type with a customized textual representation.

This textual representation is used when values are written to an *output stream*, for example, by `print`.

NOTE

`String(instance)` will work for an instance of any type, returning its description if the instance happens to be `CustomStringConvertible`. Using `CustomStringConvertible` as a generic constraint, or accessing a conforming type's description directly, is therefore discouraged.

Instance Properties

description

A textual representation of `self`.

Declaration

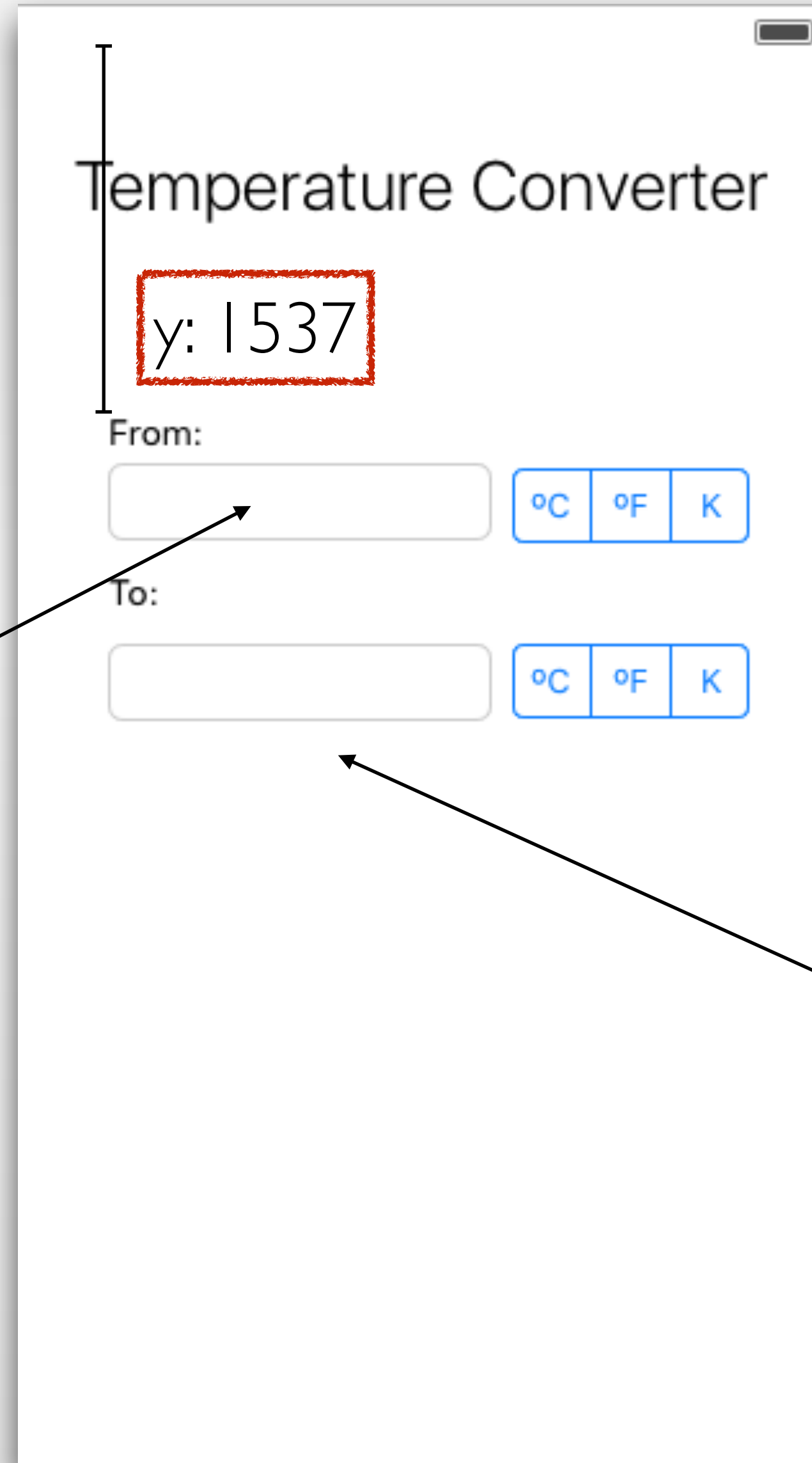
```
var description: String { get }
```

Design Specification

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From:

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To:

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Horizontally centred

A03

- Part 1: Swift types and UI focus
- Part 2: Undo
- Part 3: Storage
- Part 4: Unit tests