

iOS Application Development

Lecture 4: Navigation and Workflow

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Recap

- Strings
- Functions
- Structs
 - Initializers, (mutating) functions
- Computed properties, property observers
- Structs vs. classes
- Collections (Array & Dictionary)



Optionals



Variables with nil

```
struct Book {  
    var name: String  
    var publicationYear: Int  
}  
  
let firstHarryPotter = Book(name: "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone",  
    publicationYear: 1997)  
let secondHarryPotter = Book(name: "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets",  
    publicationYear: 1998)
```

```
let unannouncedBook = Book(name: "Rebels and Lions", publicationYear: 0)
```

- Zero isn't accurate, because that would mean the book is over 2,000 years old.

```
let unannouncedBook = Book(name: "Rebels and Lions", publicationYear: nil)
```

Optionals

- Normal variable in Swift **cannot** be nil

```
var string = nil // error!!
```

- Optionals contain either an instance of the expected type or nothing at all (nil).

```
var string: String? = nil // this works
```

```
var string: String? = "something" // this works as well
```

```
struct Book {  
    var name: String  
    var publicationYear: Int?  
}
```

Working with Optionals

- Optionals can be unwrapped using the **force-unwrap** operator **!**:

```
let unwrappedYear = publicationYear! // potential runtime error
```

- Before unwrapping an optional we need to make sure the value is not **nil**:

```
if publicationYear != nil {  
    let actualYear = publicationYear!  
    print(actualYear)  
}
```

- Shorter version:

```
if let actualYear = publicationYear {  
    print(actualYear)  
}  
else { }
```

Working with Optionals

- Can we use the same name for a constant using optional bindings?

```
let publicationYear : Int? = 2014
let actualYear : Int = 2022
if let actualYear = publicationYear {
    print(actualYear)
}
print(actualYear)
```

Working with Optionals

- It is possible to use the same variable names for optional bindings?

```
let publicationYear : Int? = 2014
let actualYear : Int = 2022
if let actualYear = publicationYear { // this works
    print(actualYear) // Output?
}
print(actualYear) // Output?
```


Working with Optionals

- It is possible to use the same variable names for optional bindings

```
let publicationYear : Int? = 2014
let actualYear : Int = 2022
if let actualYear = publicationYear { // this works
    print(actualYear) // Output: 2014
}
print(actualYear) // Output: 2022
```

Working with Optionals

- Unwrapping multiple optionals:

```
if let actualYear = publicationYear {  
    if let bookEdition = edition {  
        print(actualYear,bookEdition)  
    }  
}
```

```
if let actualYear = publicationYear,  
    let bookEdition = edition {  
    print(actualYear,bookEdition)  
}
```

- Optionals in functions:

```
func textFromURL(url: URL?) -> String?  
{  
    return nil  
}
```

- Failable initializers:

```
init?()  
{  
    return nil  
}
```

Optional Chaining

- Unwrapping nested optionals:

```
class Person {  
    var age: Int  
    var residence: Residence?  
}  
class Residence {  
    var address: Address?  
}  
class Address {  
    var buildingNumber: String  
    var streetName: String  
    var apartmentNumber: String?  
}
```

```
if let theResidence = person.residence {  
    if let theAddress = theResidence.address {  
        if let theApartmentNumber =  
            theAddress.apartmentNumber {  
            print("He/she lives in apartment  
                number \(theApartmentNumber).")  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- Shorter version:

```
if let theApartmentNumber = person.residence?.address?.apartmentNumber {  
    print("He/she lives in apartment number \(theApartmentNumber).")  
}
```

Type Casting & Inspection

Type Casting

```
class Vehicle {}

class Car : Vehicle {}

class Motorcycle : Vehicle {}

func allVehicles() -> [Vehicle] {
    // returns all vehicles
}

let vehicles = allVehicles()

for vehicle in vehicles {
    if let car = vehicle as? Car {
        // ..
    } else if let motorcycle =
        vehicle as? Motorcycle {
        // ..
    }
}
```

- Force cast:

```
let cars = allVehiclesFrom
(manufacturer: "Porsche") as! [Car]
```

- Use **as!** only when you are certain that the specific type is correct.
- If not your app will crash

The Any Type

- The **Any** type can represent an instance of any type: string, double, func, struct, class ...

```
var items: [Any] = [5, "Tom", 6.7, Car()]
if let firstItem = items[0] as? Int {
    print(firstItem+4) //9
}
```

- The **AnyObject** type can represent any class within Swift, but not a struct

Guard



The Guard Command

```
func singHappyBirthday() {
    if birthdayIsToday {
        if invitedGuests > 0 {
            if cakeCandlesLit {
                print("Happy Birthday to you!")
            } else {
                print("The cake's candles
                    haven't been lit.")
            }
        } else {
            print("It's just a family party.")
        }
    } else {
        print("No one has a birthday today.")
    }
}
```

```
guard condition else {
    //false: execute some code & return
}
//true: execute some code
```

```
func singHappyBirthday() {
    guard birthdayIsToday else {
        print("No one has a birthday today.")
        return
    }
    guard invitedGuests > 0 else {
        print("It's just a family party.")
        return
    }
    guard cakeCandlesLit else {
        print("The cake's candles haven't
            been lit.")
        return
    }
    print("Happy Birthday to you!")
}
```


Guard

- If statements only allow access to the constant within the brackets.

```
if let eggs = goose.eggs {  
    print("The goose laid \$(eggs.count) eggs.")  
}  
//`eggs` is not accessible here
```

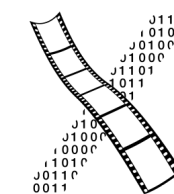
- Guard statements allow access to the constant throughout the rest of the function

```
guard let eggs = goose.eggs else { return }  
//`eggs` is accessible hereafter  
print("The goose laid \$(eggs.count) eggs.")
```

- Unwrapping multiple optionals:

```
func processBook(title: String?, price: Double?, pages: Int?) {  
    guard let theTitle = title, let thePrice = price, let thePages = pages else  
        { return }  
    print("\$(theTitle) costs $\$(thePrice) and has \$(thePages) pages.")  
}
```

Enumeration



Enumerations

- Define an enumeration:

```
enum CompassPoint {  
    case north  
    case east  
    case south  
    case west  
}
```

```
enum CompassPoint {  
    case north, east, south, west  
}
```

- Using enumerations:

```
var compassHeading = CompassPoint.west  
// The compiler assigns 'compassHeading'  
// as a 'CompassPoint'  
  
var anotherHeading: CompassPoint = .west  
anotherHeading = .north
```

```
let compassHeading: CompassPoint = .west  
  
switch compassHeading {  
    case .north:  
        print("I am heading north")  
    case .east:  
        print("I am heading east")  
    case .south:  
        print("I am heading south")  
    case .west:  
        print("I am heading west")  
}
```



Enumerations

- Type safety benefits:

```
struct Movie {  
    var name: String  
    var releaseYear: Int  
    var genre: String  
}
```

```
let movie = Movie(name: "Finding Dory",  
                  releaseYear: 2016,  
                  genre: "Aminated")
```

```
let movie = Movie(name: "Finding Dory",  
                  releaseYear: 2016,  
                  genre: "Tom")
```

```
enum Genre {  
    case animated, action, romance,  
        documentary, biography, thriller  
}
```

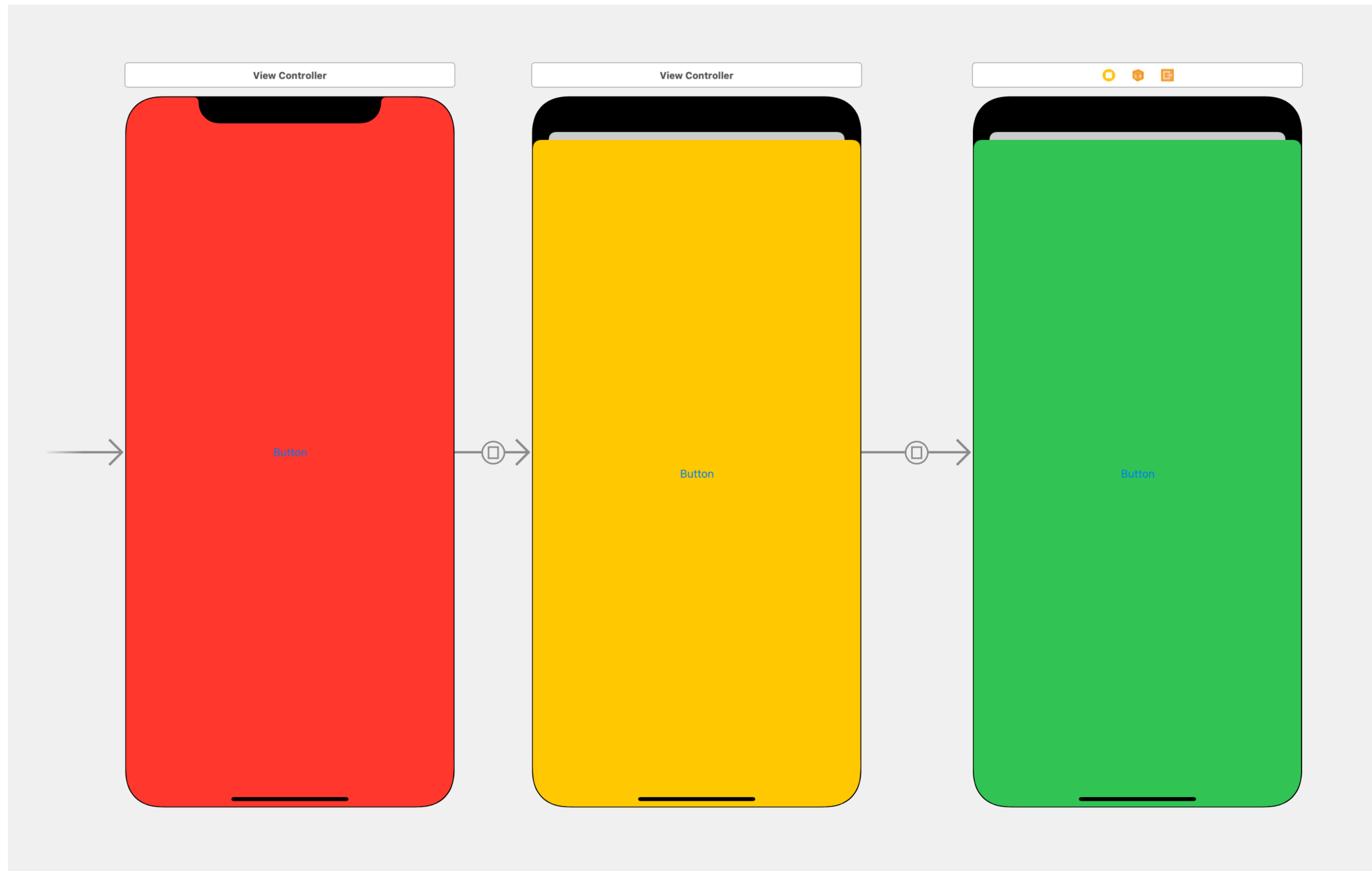
```
struct Movie {  
    var name: String  
    var releaseYear: Int  
    var genre: Genre  
}
```

```
let movie = Movie(name: "Finding Dory",  
                  releaseYear: 2016,  
                  genre: .animated)
```

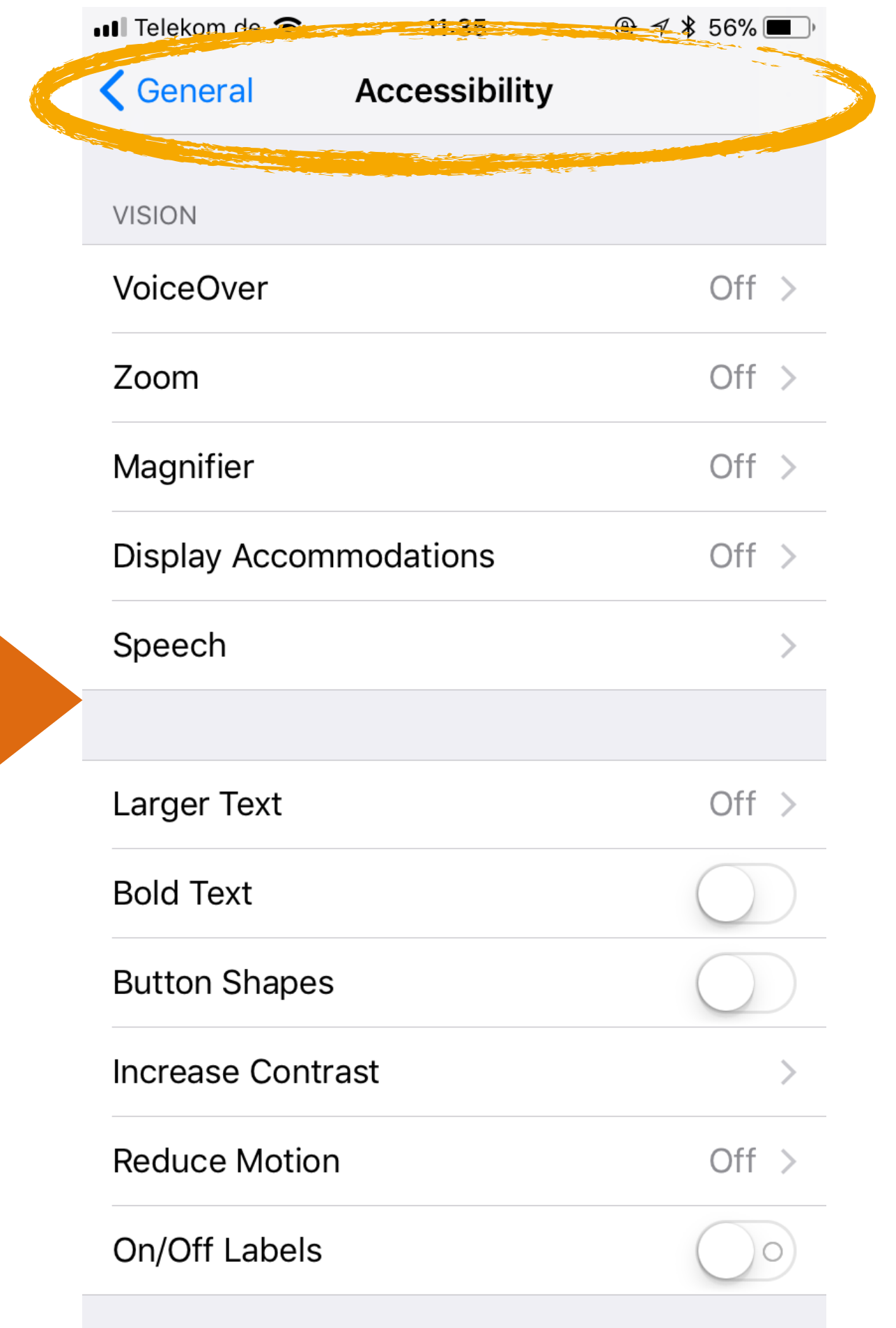
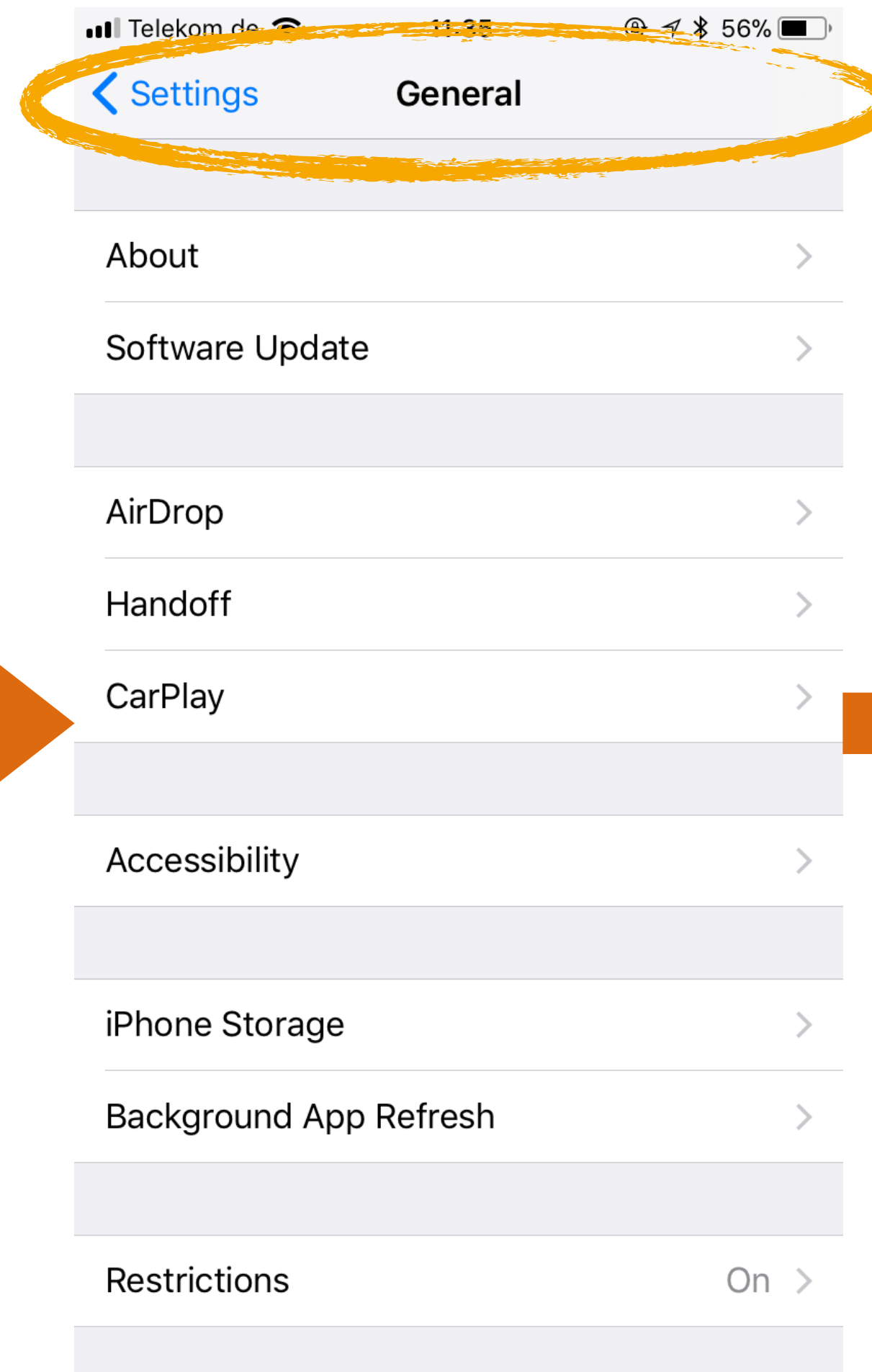
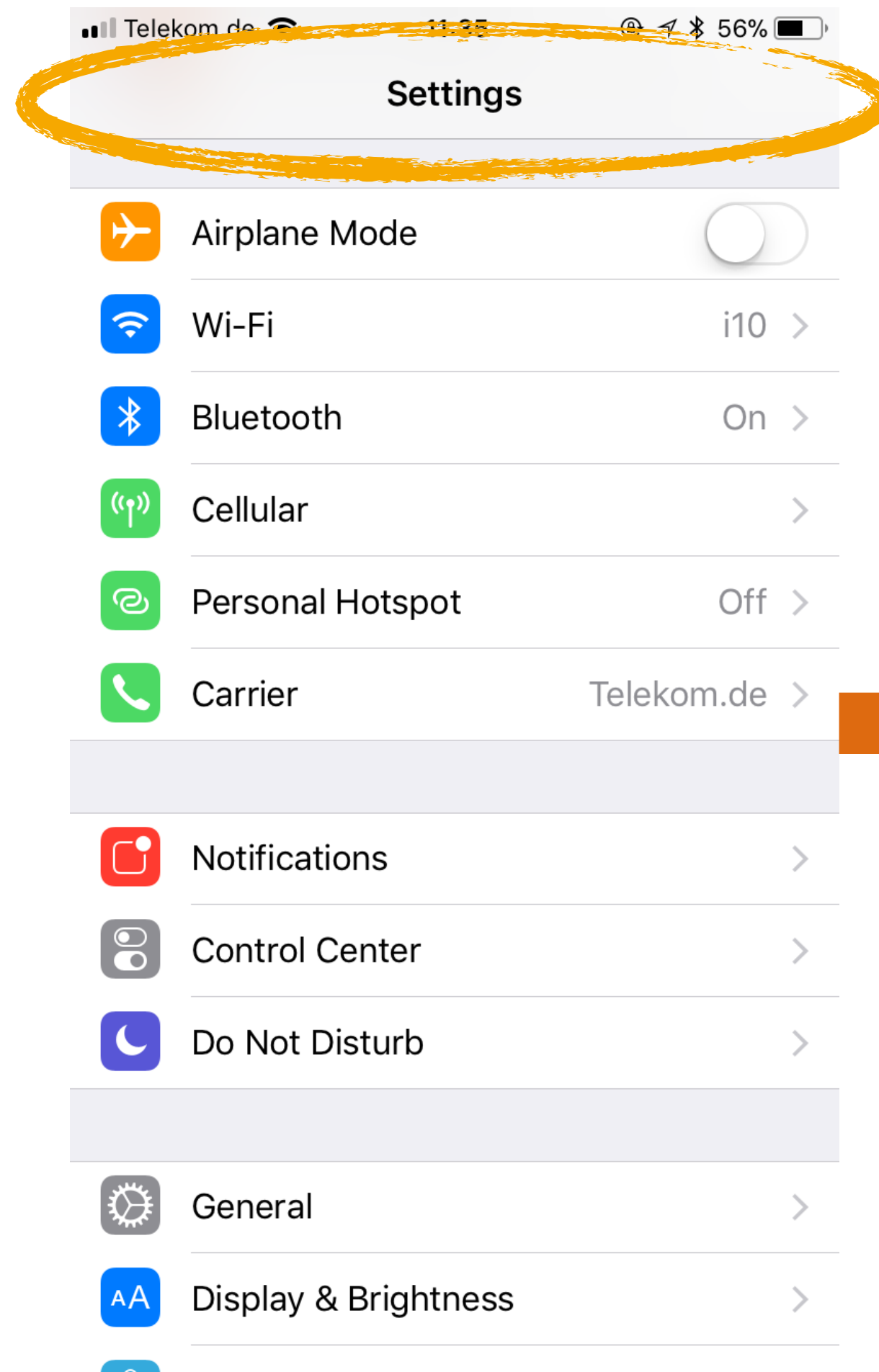
Segues and Navigation Controller



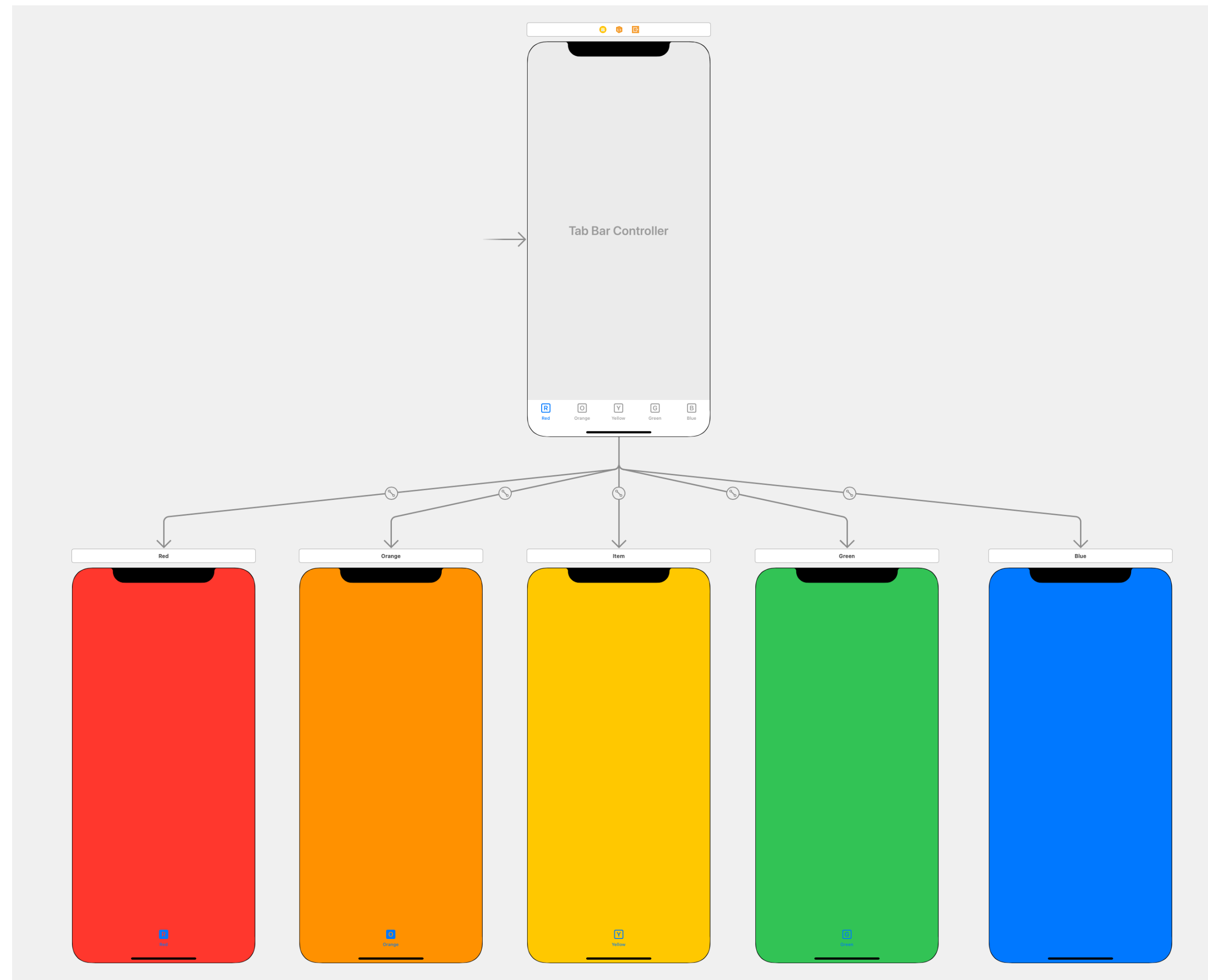
Segues



Navigation Controller



Tab Bar Controller



Summary

- Optionals, Guard, Enumerations
- Type casting and inspection
- Segues
- Navigation Controller
- Tomorrow:
 - More UIViewController, Auto Layout, and Swift Protocols and Extensions

