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lecture 11

Advanced Swift

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Overview: Today's Lecture

- Property observers
- Computed properties
- Enumerations
- Concurrency
- Swift/Objective-C Interoperability

Property Observers

Property Observers

- Observe and respond to changes in a stored property's value.
- Called every time a property's value is set.
- Two observers:
 - `willSet`: called before value is stored.
 - `didSet`: called after new value is stored.

Declaration

```
class StepCounter {  
    var totalSteps: Int = 0 {  
        willSet {  
            print("About to set totalSteps to  
                \ (newValue)")  
        }  
  
        didSet {  
            if totalSteps > oldValue {  
                print("Added \ (totalSteps -  
                    oldValue) steps")  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Named Parameter Declaration

```
class StepCounter {  
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        willSet(newTotalSteps) {  
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                \ (newTotalSteps)")  
        }  
  
        didSet(oldTotalSteps) {  
            if totalSteps > oldTotalSteps {  
                print("Added \ (totalSteps -  
                    oldTotalSteps) steps")  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Computed Properties

Computed Properties

- Stored Properties vs. Computed Properties
 - Computed properties don't actually store a value, but instead compute one on access
- They provide a getter (and optional setter) to retrieve/set other properties indirectly.
- Can be defined in classes, structures, and enumerations.

Read-Only Declaration

```
struct Task {  
    var totalTime: Double  
    var completedTime: Double  
  
    var remainingTime: Double {  
        return totalTime - completedTime  
    }  
}
```

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    var completedTime: Double  
  
    var remainingTime: Double {  
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            return totalTime - completedTime  
        }  
  
        set {  
            completedTime = totalTime - newValue  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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struct Task {  
    var totalTime: Double  
    var completedTime: Double  
  
    var remainingTime: Double {  
        get {  
            return totalTime - completedTime  
        }  
  
        set(newRemainingTime) {  
            completedTime =  
                totalTime - newRemainingTime  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Enumerations

Enumerations

- Define a common **Type** for a group of related values.
- Enables working with those values in a type-safe way.
- Assign related names to set of values (called *raw values*), which can be of type:
 - String
 - Character
 - Integer
 - Floating-point type
- First-class type: support computed properties, instance methods, protocol conformance.

Declaration

```
// Method 1
```

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

```
// Method 2
```

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

Note: Unlike C and Obj-C, enum cases are not implicitly assigned a default integer value when created.*

Raw Values

- Enum cases can have default values (called *raw values*), which are all of the same type.

```
enum ASCIIControlCharacter: Character {  
    case tab = "\t"  
    case lineFeed = "\n"  
    case carriageReturn = "\r"  
}
```

- Initializing from a raw value:

```
let tabChar = ASCIIControlCharacter(rawValue: "\t")
```

Implicitly Assigned Raw Values

- Integer-backed enums *do* have implicit default values, and count up sequentially expected

```
enum NumbersWithoutThree: Int {  
  case zero, one, two, four = 4, five, six  
}
```

- `.zero` has an *implicit* raw value of 0
- `.four` has an *explicit* raw value of 4
- `.five` has an *implicit* raw value of 5, and so on.

Implicitly Assigned Raw Values

- String-backed enums also have *implicit* default values, which are the text of that case's name.

```
enum Planet: String {  
    case mercury, venus, earth, mars, jupiter, saturn,  
        uranus, neptune  
}
```

```
let earthString = Planet.earth.rawValue
```

```
print(earthString) // "earth"
```

Switch Statements

- Must be exhaustive when considering an enum's cases.

```
let directionToHead: CompassPoint = .north

switch directionToHead {
case .north:
    print("Watch out for reindeer")
case .south:
    print("Watch out for penguins")
case .east:
    print("Where the sun rises")
case .west:
    print("Where the sun sets")
}
```

Switch Statements

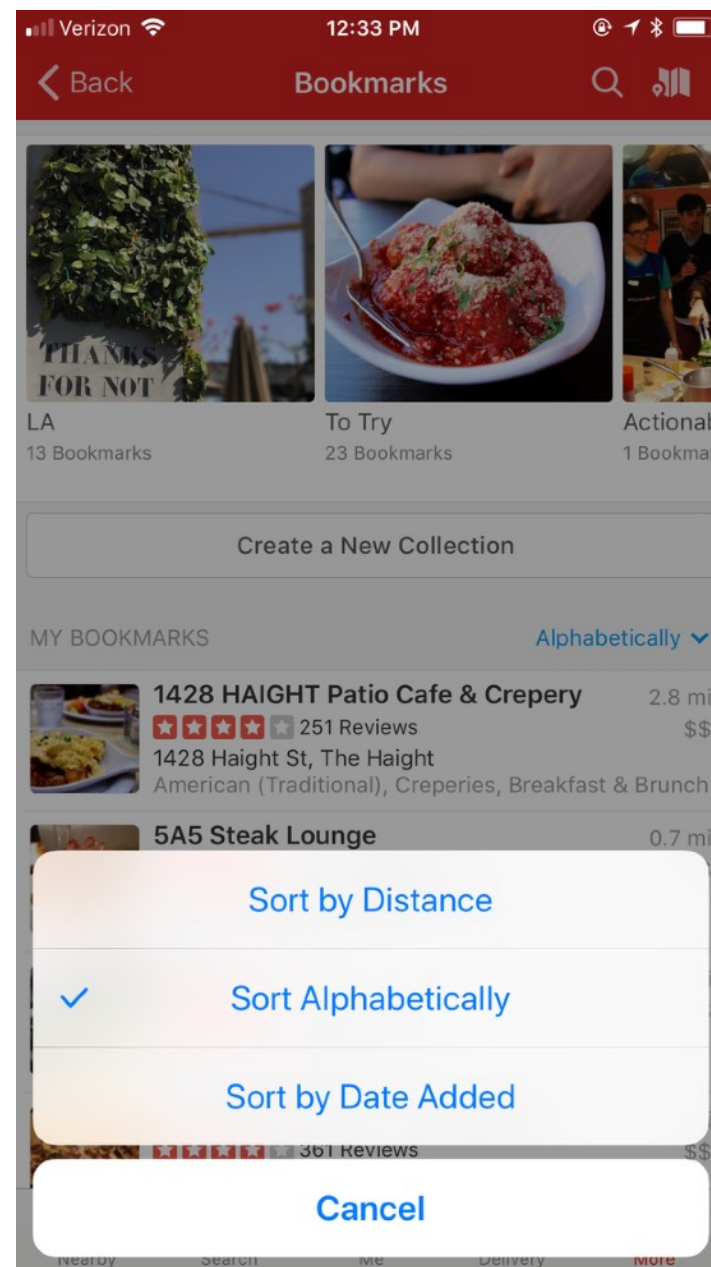
- But if we only care for one case... default

```
let almaMater: Universities = .berkeley

switch almaMater {
case .berkeley:
    print("Go Bears!")
default:
    print("You suck.")
}
```

Demo Sorting Locations

- List of saved locations - returned by backend
 - E.g. bookmarks on Yelp, pins on Google, etc.
- User can sort location
 - Distance
 - Alphabetically
 - Date



Optionals

- The `Optional` type is an enumeration with two cases:
 - `Optional.none`
 - equivalent to the `nil` literal.
 - `Optional.some(Wrapped)`
 - stores a wrapped value.

Optionals

- What does this print?

```
var aString: Optional<String>

switch aString {
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Concurrency

Threads : Review

- **Thread** - a single unit of execution in a process.
- Allow us to delegate different sections of code to be handled by different threads.

Threads : Review

Why use multiple threads? CPU utilization

- Example: Say we have an app that makes a network request to read something from a database
 - If we only have one thread, the CPU will be idle while waiting for the network response.
 - A better idea is to use multiple threads, so we can do other work (computations, UI updates, etc.) while we wait

Multithreading : Overview

Problem:

- We want our app to run as fast as possible, but we have lengthy operations (calculations / data traversals / network requests, etc.)

Solution:

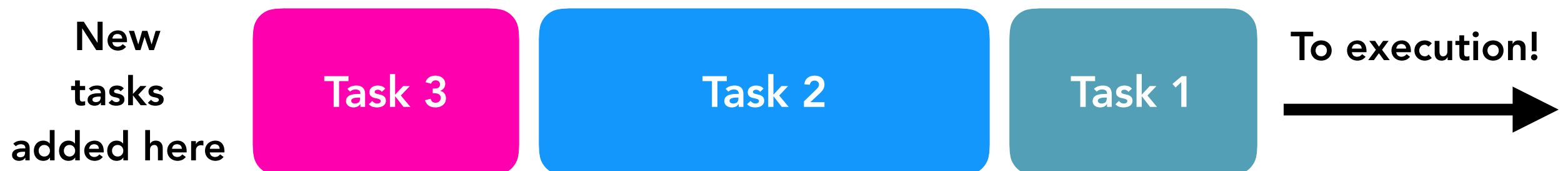
- Put time-consuming computation on lower priority threads
- Put short operations that we need done right away on higher priority threads (i.e. UI updates)

Multithreading : Queues

In iOS, interaction with threads is done via queues

- **Tasks** (functions/closures/blocks of code) are added to a queue
- Once the task is popped off, it will be executed by the thread associated with that queue

FIFO Queue



Multithreading : Queues

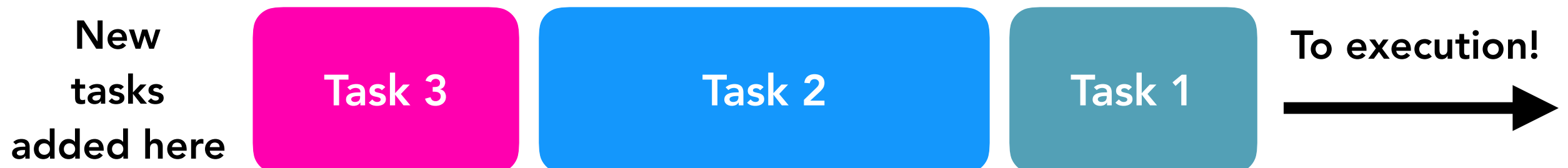
Side Note

Tasks are sometimes referred to as "work items"

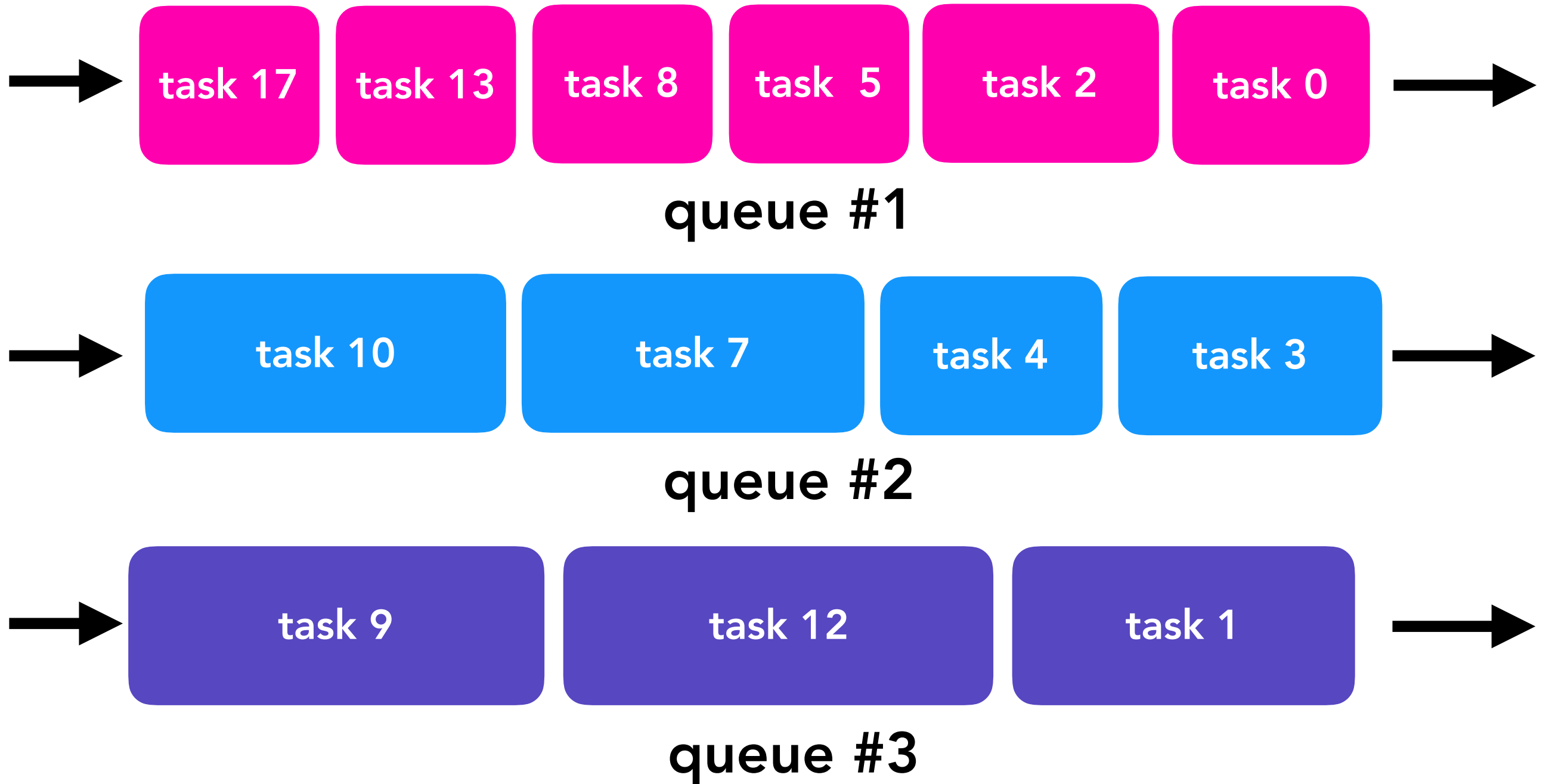
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Different Queues will have different priorities

Queues : Two Different Types

Serial Queues:

- Executes a single task from the queue at a time
- Tasks are handled in the order that they were inserted (task 2 must wait for task 1 to complete before execution)

Concurrent Queues:

- Allows for multiple tasks to be executed in parallel

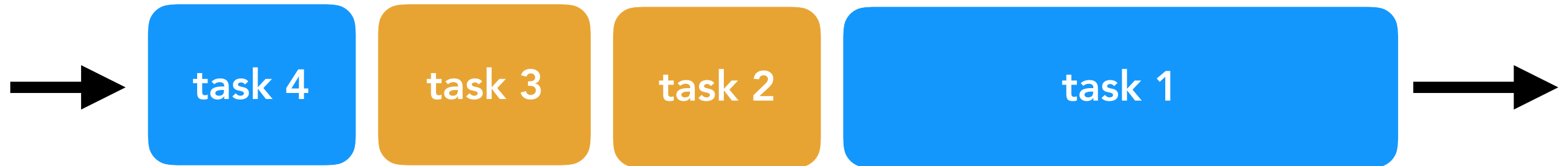
Queues : Serial



In serial queues, newly added task must wait until their predecessors complete.

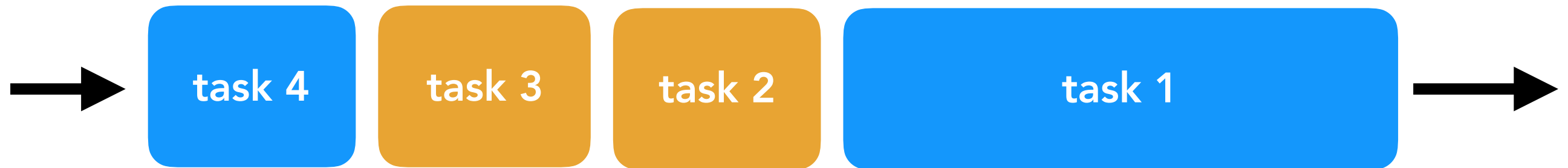
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Example: task 2 must wait to start until task 1 begins execution but task 2 ends up finishing execution before function 1

Multithreading : Main Queue

Special Queue for iOS - **the Main Queue**

- **Serial queue** (only one task from this will be handled at any given time)
- **Reserved for UI operations:**
 - This is done since the UI of your app should always be very responsive (i.e. tapping a button should instantly send feedback to the user).

By having a queue reserved for these sorts of operations, we can be sure that UI operations will be responsive

Dispatch Queues : Usage

Grand Central Dispatch - manages queues of tasks in your application

So how do you actually execute code asynchronously in Xcode?

1. Define your task (what you want to be done in another code) by placing it in a function or closure
2. Add your task to one of the default global queues, or a queue created by you

Dispatch Queues (serial) : Creation

To create a queue, create an instance of `DispatchQueue` using a unique label

```
let queue = DispatchQueue(label: "myqueue")
```

To then execute a task on that queue, use the instance methods `sync` and `async`

```
queue.sync {  
    print("hello world")  
    // your closure code here!  
}
```

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```
func sayHello() {  
    print("hello world")  
}  
queue.sync(execute: sayHello)
```


Quality of Service

Remember - often times we want some queues to be executed with a higher priority than other queues.

How do we specify the priority of a queue?

Set it's "Quality of Service" (QoS)

QoS enum cases
(in descending order of priority)

userInteractive

userInitiated

default

utility

background

unspecified

QoS Class	Type of work and focus of QoS	Duration of work to be performed
User-interactive	Work that is interacting with the user, such as operating on the main thread, refreshing the user interface, or performing animations. If the work doesn't happen quickly, the user interface may appear frozen. Focuses on responsiveness and performance.	Work is virtually instantaneous.
User-initiated	Work that the user has initiated and requires immediate results, such as opening a saved document or performing an action when the user clicks something in the user interface. The work is required in order to continue user interaction. Focuses on responsiveness and performance.	Work is nearly instantaneous, such as a few seconds or less.
Utility	Work that may take some time to complete and doesn't require an immediate result, such as downloading or importing data. Utility tasks typically have a progress bar that is visible to the user. Focuses on providing a balance between responsiveness, performance, and energy efficiency.	Work takes a few seconds to a few minutes.
Background	Work that operates in the background and isn't visible to the user, such as indexing, synchronizing, and backups. Focuses on energy efficiency.	Work takes significant time, such as minutes or hours.

QoS Cases (Apple Developer)

Quality of Service (serial) : Priorities

To create a queue with a QoS, create an instance of `DispatchQueue` using a unique label and QoS value

```
let q = DispatchQueue(label: "myQ1",  
                    qos: DispatchQoS.userInitiated)
```

```
let q2 = DispatchQueue(label: "myQ2",  
                     qos: DispatchQoS.utility)
```

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                    qos: .utility,  
                    attributes: .concurrent)
```

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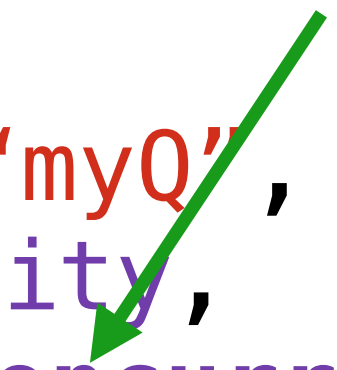
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Simply add the
"concurrent" attribute

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Global Queues

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```
// returns a queue with default QoS
```

```
let q1 = DispatchQueue.global()
```

```
// returns a queue with QoS = qos
```

```
let q2 = DispatchQueue.global(qos: .utility)
```


Main Queues

Accessing the main queue:

```
DispatchQueue.main.async {  
    // do something on the main queue  
}
```

Queues : Real Life Example

Recall this code we went over in our Networking lecture

```
func loadImage() {
    let url = URL(string:"https://instagram.com/img.jpg")
    let session = URLSession.shared
    let task = session.dataTask(with: url!,
                                completionHandler: {
                                    (data, response, error) -> Void in
                                    if error == nil {
                                        let img = UIImage.init(data: data!)
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    task.resume()
}
```

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  [NSISEngine _optimizeWithoutRebuilding] + 61
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  [NSISEngine optimize] + 108
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Running the code from the previous slide as is will print out the following warning in your console

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To fix the code - we need to make sure we update our UI on the main thread

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The completion handler of dataTask will be called on a background thread

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Inside this completion handler, we update our UI

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To fix - update UI on main thread

Swift/Objective-C Interoperability

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Bridging Header

- Expose Objective-C code to Swift code within the same target

- Create a file like "MyApp-Bridging-Header.h"

```
#import "MyViewController.h"  
#import "MyClass.h"  
#import "MyCustomCell.h"
```

- Use as you would expect in Swift

```
let vc = MyViewController()
```

Enum Compatibility

- Due to its foundations in C, enums in Objective-C are just integers
- So, to be Objective-C compatible, Swift enums must be Integer-backed

```
@objc public enum CollegeYear: Int {  
    case freshman  
    case sophomore  
    case junior  
    case senior  
}
```

Enum Compatibility

- Due to its foundations in C, enums in Objective-C are just integers
- Swift enum's use of computed properties, instance methods, etc. is not supported
- Workaround:

```
@objc public class CollegeYearObjC: NSObject {  
    public static func fromRawValue(_ rawValue: Int) ->  
        CollegeYear {  
        return CollegeYear(rawValue: rawValue)  
    }  
}
```

- Use:

```
CollegeYear *year = [CollegeYearObjC fromRawValue: 3];
```

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Nullability Annotations

	Meaning	Swift Translation	Notation
<code>null_unspecified</code>	Not sure	Implicitly Unwrapped Optional	String!
<code>nullable</code>	Can be nil	Optional	String?
<code>nonnull</code>	Won't be nil	Non-Optional	String

Nullability Side Effects

- null_unspecified is the **default** annotation
 - Properties/params in Obj-C will be translated to IUO's in Swift
 - IUO's cause **runtime crashes** if nil
- workaround by either doing the following
 - annotate the nullability correctly
 - use guards