

draw/drawRect or not? that is the question

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As an introduction...

What is the question?

- «MyView» example
 - ▶ Use of draw/drawRect
- «uRotate» example
 - ▶ no use of draw/drawRect

Let's play with these approaches?

A new ViewController

```
class ViewController: UIViewController {  
  
    override func viewDidLoad() {  
        super.viewDidLoad()  
        // Do any additional setup after loading the view, typically from a nib.  
        let screen = UIScreen.main  
        let rect = screen.bounds  
        let v = MyView(frame: rect)  
        self.view = v  
        v.drawInFormat(size:rect.size) // Implemented by MyView  
    }  
  
    override func viewWillTransition(to size: CGSize,  
                                     with coordinator:  
    UINavigationControllerTransitionCoordinator) {  
        super.viewWillTransition(to: size, with: coordinator)  
        let v = self.view as! MyView // avoids an error  
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    }  
}
```

MyView without draw()

```
import UIKit

class MyView: UIView {

    fileprivate let myDevice = UIDevice.current
    fileprivate let screen = UIScreen.main

    fileprivate let deviceData = UILabel()
    fileprivate let model = UILabel()
    fileprivate let orientation = UILabel()

    fileprivate var top = 0
    fileprivate var incr = 0

    // Required by Xcode (but unused)
    required init?(coder aDecoder: NSCoder) {
        super.init(coder: aDecoder)
        fatalError("init(coder:) has not been implemented")
    }
}
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override init (frame: CGRect) {
    deviceData.textAlignment = .center
    model.textAlignment = .center
    orientation.textAlignment = .center
    model.text = myDevice.model
    super.init(frame: frame)
    // Handled after the call to "super" (we need self here)
    if myDevice.userInterfaceIdiom == .phone && screen.scale == 3.0 {
        deviceData.text = "Large iPhone (\(myDevice.systemName), \
(myDevice.systemVersion))"
        incr = 50
    } else if myDevice.userInterfaceIdiom == .phone {
        deviceData.text = "iPhone/iPod (\(myDevice.systemName), \
(myDevice.systemVersion))"
        incr = 40
    } else {
        deviceData.text = "iPad (\(myDevice.systemName), \
(myDevice.systemVersion))"
        incr = 100
    }
    // Let's deal with the view's elements
    // Handled after the call to "super" (these are super's properties)
    self.backgroundColor = UIColor.white
    self.addSubview(deviceData)
    self.addSubview(model)
    self.addSubview(orientation)
    self.drawInFormat(size: frame.size)
}
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MyView without draw()

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func drawInFormat (size: CGSize) {
    if myDevice.orientation == UIDeviceOrientation.portrait ||
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        orientation.text = "Portrait orientation"
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    } else if myDevice.orientation == UIDeviceOrientation.landscapeLeft ||
        myDevice.orientation == UIDeviceOrientation.landscapeRight {
        orientation.text = "Landscape orientation"
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    } else {
        orientation.text = "Device is laid flat"
    }
    // Setting up orientation information
    deviceData.frame = CGRect(x: CGFloat(size.width / 2.0 - 150.0),
                              y: CGFloat(top), width: 300.0, height: 21.0)
    model.frame = CGRect(x: CGFloat(size.width / 2.0 - 150.0),
                          y: CGFloat(top + incr), width: 300.0, height: 21.0)
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MyView without draw()

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// Drawing circles
let ctx = UIGraphicsGetCurrentContext()
let table = [(0.9,70.0), (0.8,60.0), (0.7,50.0), (0.6,40.0),
             (0.5,30.0), (0.3,20.0), (0.0,10.0),]
for (vert,radius) in table {
    UIColor(red: 1.0, green: CGFloat(vert), blue: 0.0, alpha: 1.0).setFill()
    ctx?.addArc(center: CGPoint(x:size.width / 2.0,
                                y:size.height / 2.0 + 70.0),
                radius: CGFloat(radius), startAngle: 0.0,
                endAngle: CGFloat(Double.pi * 2), clockwise: true)
    ctx?.fillPath();
}
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Demo (9.7" screen)



What's going on?

Error message

- [Unknown process name] CGContextSetFillColorWithColor: invalid context 0x0. If you want to see the backtrace, please set CG_CONTEXT_SHOW_BACKTRACE environmental variable.

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- Core Graphics part must be encapsulated
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There is another way!
Keep drawing in draw/drawRect

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**draw/drawRect only?
some side effect**



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- But not really
 - ▶ You can generate an image with Core Graphics

Personal opinion

- View with graphics only (or mainly) on a small device
 - ▶ Use draw/drawRect
 - ▶ But this method only handles orientation changes
- Otherwise
 - ▶ draw/drawRect deprecated

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OK!

Personal

- View with graphics context
 - ▶ Use draw/drawRect
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Let's forget draw/drawRect...