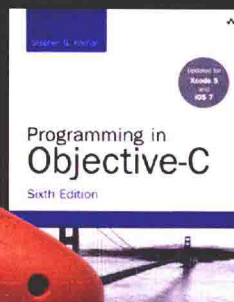


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本书是为在苹果 iOS 和 OS X 平台上,使用 Objective-C 语言和面向对象程序设计模式进行专业开发而编写的简洁、细致的入门读物。本书假设读者无面向对象程序语言或 C 语言编程经验,以保障初学者与有经验的程序员一样,可用本书迅速和有效地学习 Objective-C。本书提供的学习方法独特,配有众多程序示例及章末练习,适合自学和课堂教学。第 6 版已全面更新,充分纳入 Objective-C 的新功能与技术,同时覆盖对新版 Xcode、iOS 和 Mac OS X Mavericks 的介绍。

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# Introduction

Dennis Ritchie at AT&T Bell Laboratories pioneered the C programming language in the early 1970s. However, this programming language did not begin to gain widespread popularity and support until the late 1970s. This was because, until that time, C compilers were not readily available for commercial use outside of Bell Laboratories. Initially, this growth in popularity was also partly spurred by the equal, if not faster, growth in popularity of the UNIX operating system, which was written almost entirely in C.

Brad J. Cox designed the Objective-C language in the early 1980s. The language was based on a language called SmallTalk-80. Objective-C was *layered* on top of the C language, meaning that extensions were added to C to create a new programming language that enabled *objects* to be created and manipulated.

NeXT Software licensed the Objective-C language in 1988 and developed its libraries and a development environment called NEXTSTEP. In 1992, Objective-C support was added to the Free Software Foundation's GNU development environment. The copyrights for all Free Software Foundation (FSF) products are owned by the FSF. It is released under the GNU General Public License.

In 1994, NeXT Computer and Sun Microsystems released a standardized specification of the NEXTSTEP system, called OPENSTEP. The FSF's implementation of OPENSTEP is called GNUStep. A Linux version, which also includes the Linux kernel and the GNUStep development environment, is called, appropriately enough, LinuxSTEP.

On December 20, 1996, Apple Computer announced that it was acquiring NeXT Software, and the NEXTSTEP/OPENSTEP environment became the basis for the next major release of Apple's operating system, OS X. Apple's version of this development environment was called Cocoa. With built-in support for the Objective-C language, coupled with development tools such as Project Builder (or its successor Xcode) and Interface Builder, Apple created a powerful development environment for application development on Mac OS X.

In 2007, Apple released an update to the Objective-C language and labeled it Objective-C 2.0. That version of the language formed the basis for the second edition of the book.

When the iPhone was released in 2007, developers clamored for the opportunity to develop applications for this revolutionary device. At first, Apple did not welcome third-party application development. The company's way of placating wannabe iPhone developers was to allow them to develop Web-based applications. A Web-based application runs under the iPhone's built-in Safari Web browser and requires the user to connect to the website that hosts the application in order to run it. Developers were not satisfied with the many inherent limitations of Web-based applications, and Apple shortly thereafter announced that developers would be able to develop so-called *native* applications for the iPhone.

A native application is one that resides on the iPhone and runs under the iPhone's operating system, in the same way that the iPhone's built-in applications (such as Contacts, Stocks, and Weather) run on the device. The iPhone's OS is actually a version of OS X, which means that applications can be developed and debugged on a MacBook Pro, for example. In fact, Apple soon provided a powerful software development kit (SDK) that allowed for rapid iPhone application development and debugging. The availability of an iPhone simulator made it possible for developers to debug their applications directly on their development system, obviating the need to download and test the program on an actual iPhone or iPod touch device.

With the introduction of the iPad in 2010, Apple started to genericize the terminology used for the operating system and the SDK that now support different devices with different physical sizes and screen resolutions. The iOS SDK allows you to develop applications for any iOS device, and as of this writing, iOS 7 is the current release of the operating system.

## What You Will Learn from This Book

When I contemplated writing a tutorial on Objective-C, I had to make a fundamental decision. As with other texts on Objective-C, I could write mine to assume that the reader already knew how to write C programs. I could also teach the language from the perspective of using the rich library of routines, such as the Foundation and UIKit frameworks. Some texts also take the approach of teaching how to use the development tools, such as the Mac's Xcode and the tool formerly known as Interface Builder to design the UI.

I had several problems adopting this approach. First, learning the entire C language before learning Objective-C is wrong. C is a *procedural* language containing many features that are not necessary for programming in Objective-C, especially at the novice level. In fact, resorting to some of these features goes against the grain of adhering to a good object-oriented programming methodology. It's also not a good idea to learn all the details of a procedural language before learning an object-oriented one. This starts the programmer in the wrong direction, and gives the wrong orientation and mindset for fostering a good object-oriented programming style. Just because Objective-C is an extension to the C language doesn't mean you have to learn C first.

So, I decided neither to teach C first nor to assume prior knowledge of the language. Instead, I decided to take the unconventional approach of teaching Objective-C and the underlying C language as a single integrated language, from an object-oriented programming perspective. The purpose of this book is, as its name implies, to teach you how to program in Objective-C.

It does not profess to teach you in detail how to use the development tools that are available for entering and debugging programs, or to provide in-depth instructions on how to develop interactive graphical applications. You can learn all that material in greater detail elsewhere, after you have learned how to write programs in Objective-C. In fact, you will find mastering that material much easier when you have a solid foundation of how to program in Objective-C. This book does not assume much, if any, previous programming experience. In fact, if you are a novice programmer, with some dedication and hard work you should be able to learn Objective-C as your first programming language. Other readers have been successful at this, based on the feedback I have received from the previous editions of this book.

This book teaches Objective-C by example. As I present each new feature of the language, I usually provide a small complete program example to illustrate the feature. Just as a picture is worth a thousand words, so is a properly chosen program example. You are strongly encouraged to run each program and compare the results obtained on your system to those shown in the text. By doing so, you will learn the language and its syntax, but you will also become familiar with the process of compiling and running Objective-C programs.

## How This Book Is Organized

This book is divided into three logical parts. Part I, “The Objective-C Language,” teaches the essentials of the language. Part II, “The Foundation Framework,” teaches how to use the rich assortment of predefined classes that form the Foundation framework. Part III, “Cocoa, Cocoa Touch, and the iOS SDK,” gives you an overview of the Cocoa and Cocoa Touch frameworks and then walks you through the process of developing a simple iOS application using the iOS SDK.

A *framework* is a set of classes and routines that have been logically grouped together to make developing programs easier. Much of the power of programming in Objective-C rests on the extensive frameworks that are available.

Chapter 2, “Programming in Objective-C,” begins by teaching you how to write your first program in Objective-C.

Because this is not a book on Cocoa or iOS programming, graphical user interfaces (GUIs) are not extensively taught and are hardly even mentioned until Part III. So, an approach was needed to get input into a program and produce output. Most of the examples in this text take input from the keyboard and produce their output in a window pane: a Terminal window if you’re using the command line, or a debug output pane if you’re using Xcode.

Chapter 3, “Classes, Objects, and Methods,” covers the fundamentals of object-oriented programming. This chapter introduces some terminology, but it is kept to a minimum. I also introduce the mechanism for defining a class and the means for sending messages to instances or objects. Instructors and seasoned Objective-C programmers will notice that I use *static* typing for declaring objects. I think this is the best way for the student to get started because the compiler can catch more errors, making the programs more self-documenting and encouraging the new programmer to explicitly declare the data types when they are known. As a result,

the notion of the `id` type and its power is not fully explored until Chapter 9, “Polymorphism, Dynamic Typing, and Dynamic Binding.”

Chapter 4, “Data Types and Expressions,” describes the basic Objective-C data types and how to use them in your programs.

Chapter 5, “Program Looping,” introduces the three looping statements you can use in your programs: `for`, `while`, and `do`.

Making decisions is fundamental to any computer programming language. Chapter 6, “Making Decisions,” covers the Objective-C language’s `if` and `switch` statements in detail.

Chapter 7, “More on Classes,” delves more deeply into working with classes and objects. Details about methods, multiple arguments to methods, and local variables are discussed here.

Chapter 8, “Inheritance,” introduces the key concept of inheritance. This feature makes the development of programs easier because you can take advantage of what comes from above. Inheritance and the notion of subclasses make modifying and extending existing class definitions easy.

Chapter 9 discusses three fundamental characteristics of the Objective-C language. Polymorphism, dynamic typing, and dynamic binding are the key concepts covered here.

Chapters 10–13 round out the discussion of the Objective-C language, covering issues such as initialization of objects, blocks, protocols, categories, the preprocessor, and some of the underlying C features, including functions, arrays, structures, and pointers. These underlying features are often unnecessary (and often best avoided) when first developing object-oriented applications. It’s recommended that you skim Chapter 13, “Underlying C Language Features,” the first time through the text and return to it only as necessary to learn more about a particular feature of the language. Chapter 13 also introduces a recent addition to the C language known as *blocks*. This should be learned after you learn about how to write functions, since the syntax of the former is derived from the latter.

Part II begins with Chapter 14, “Introduction to the Foundation Framework,” which gives an introduction to the Foundation framework and how to use its voluminous documentation.

Chapters 15–19 cover important features of the Foundation framework. These include number and string objects, collections, the file system, memory management, and the process of copying and archiving objects.

By the time you’re done with Part II, you will be able to develop fairly sophisticated programs in Objective-C that work with the Foundation framework.

Part III starts with Chapter 20, “Introduction to Cocoa and Cocoa Touch.” Here you get a quick overview of the frameworks that provide the classes you need to develop sophisticated graphical applications on the Mac and on your iOS devices.

Chapter 21, “Writing iOS Applications,” introduces the iOS SDK and the UIKit framework. This chapter illustrates a step-by-step approach to writing a simple iOS application, followed

by a more sophisticated calculator application that enables you to use your iPhone to perform simple arithmetic calculations with fractions.

Because object-oriented parlance involves a fair amount of terminology, Appendix A, “Glossary,” provides definitions of some common terms.

Appendix B, “Address Book Example Source Code,” gives the source code listing for two classes that are developed and used extensively in Part II of this text. These classes define address card and address book classes. Methods enable you to perform simple operations such as adding and removing address cards from the address book, looking up someone, listing the contents of the address book, and so on.

After you’ve learned how to write Objective-C programs, you can go in several directions. You might want to learn more about the underlying C programming language, or you might want to start writing Cocoa programs to run on OS X, or you might want to develop more-sophisticated iOS applications.

## Support

If you go to [classroomM.com/objective-c](http://classroomM.com/objective-c), you’ll find a forum rich with content. There you can get some source code (note that you won’t find the “official” source code for all the examples there; I firmly believe that a big part of the learning process occurs when you type in the program examples yourself and learn how to identify and correct any errors), answers to exercises, errata, and quizzes; you can also pose questions to me and fellow forum members. The forum has turned into a rich community of active members who are happy to help other members solve their problems and answer their questions. Please go, join, and participate!

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As noted at the start of this Introduction, Dennis Ritchie invented the C language. He was also a co-inventor of the Unix operating system, which is the foundation for OS X and iOS. Sadly, the world lost both Dennis Ritchie and Steve Jobs within the span of a week in 2011. These two people had a profound effect on my career; this book would not exist if not for them.

Finally, I'd like to thank the members of the forum at [classroomM.com/objective-c](http://classroomM.com/objective-c) for all their feedback, support, and kind words.

## Preface to the Sixth Edition

Not much has changed since the previous edition. Xcode 5 was introduced, and so all the screenshots have been updated. I've needed to do this so that novices can follow along with current screenshots and not get lost before even getting started! There are also some minor additions to the language, which are reflected in this edition.

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