

Unit and Functional Testing for the iOS Platform



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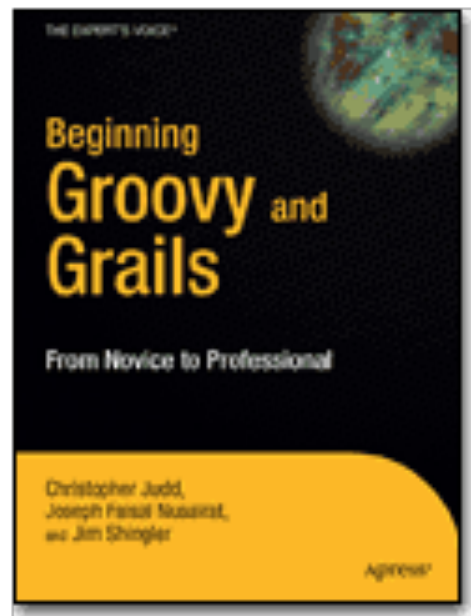
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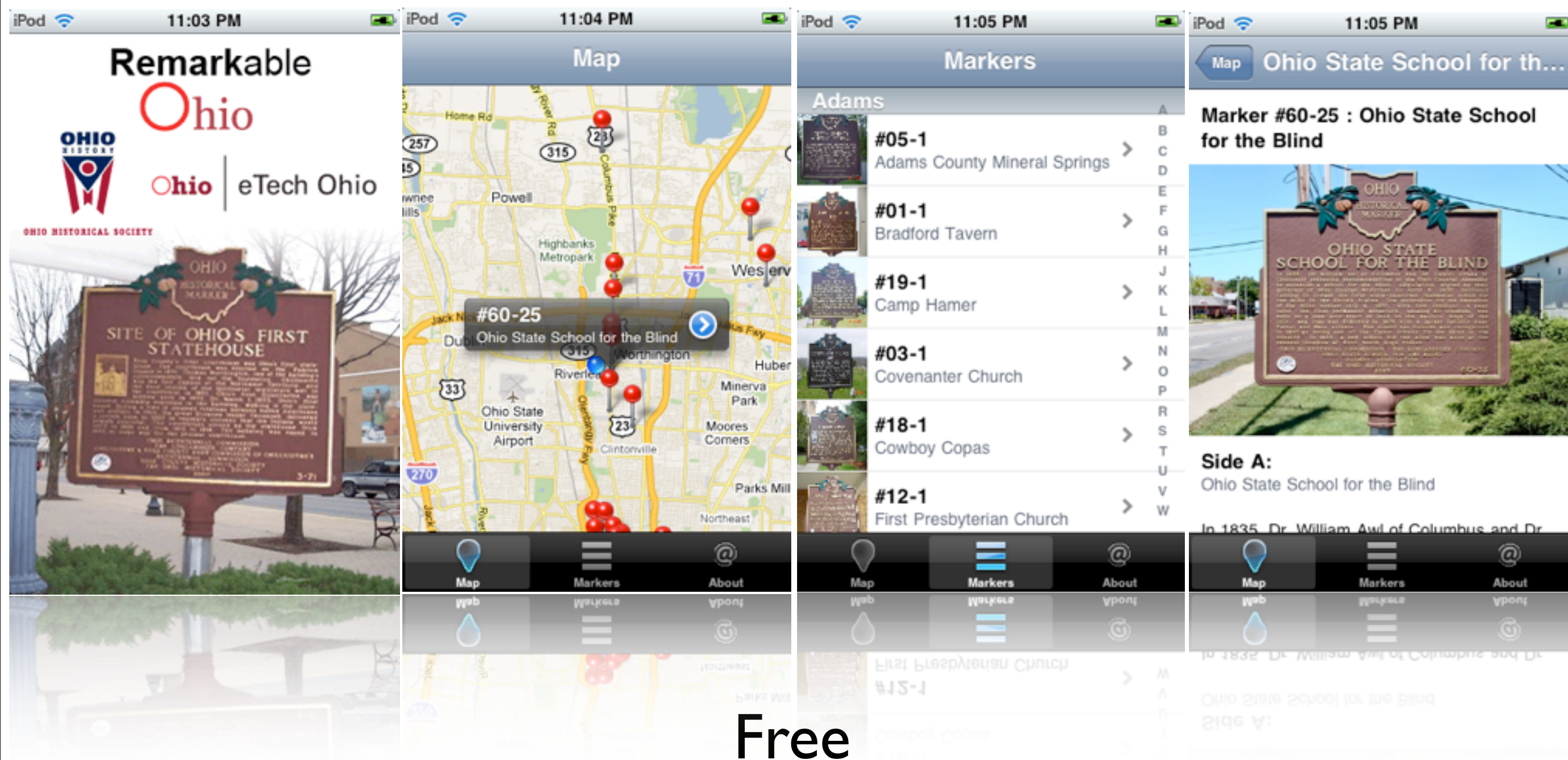


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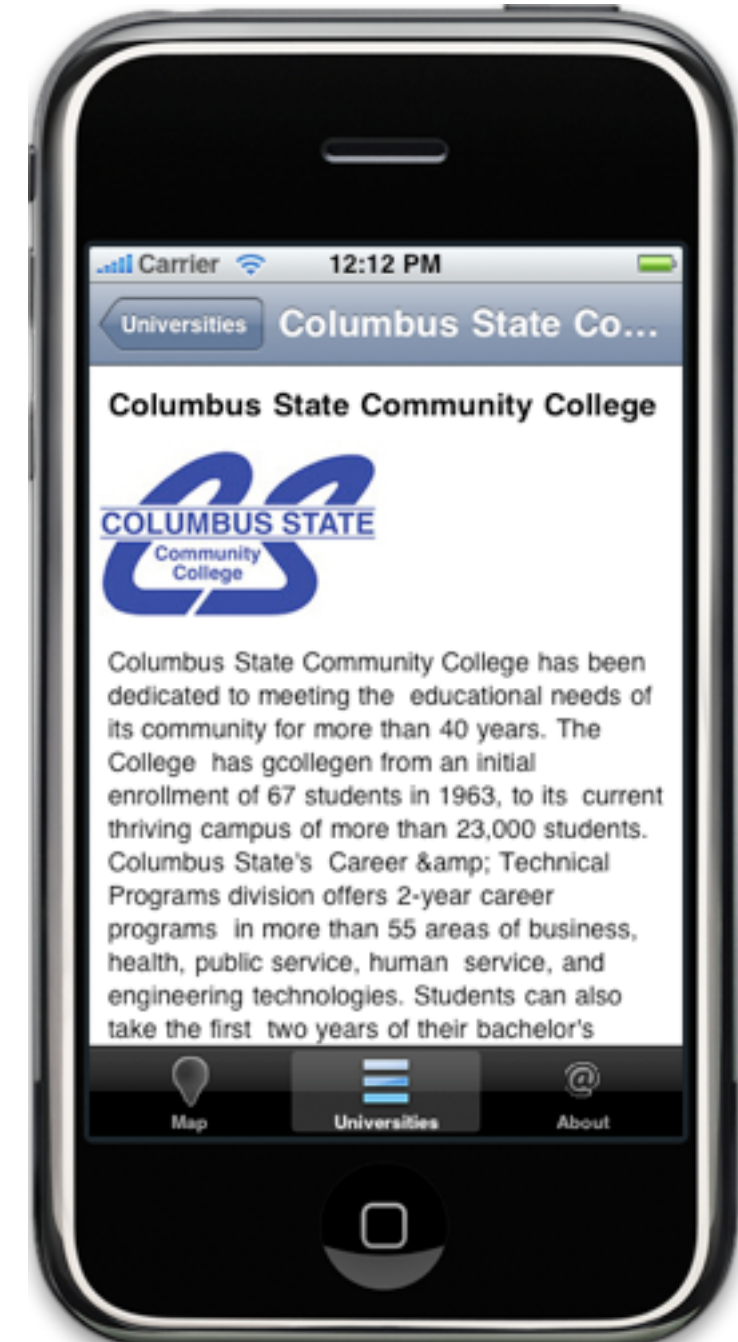
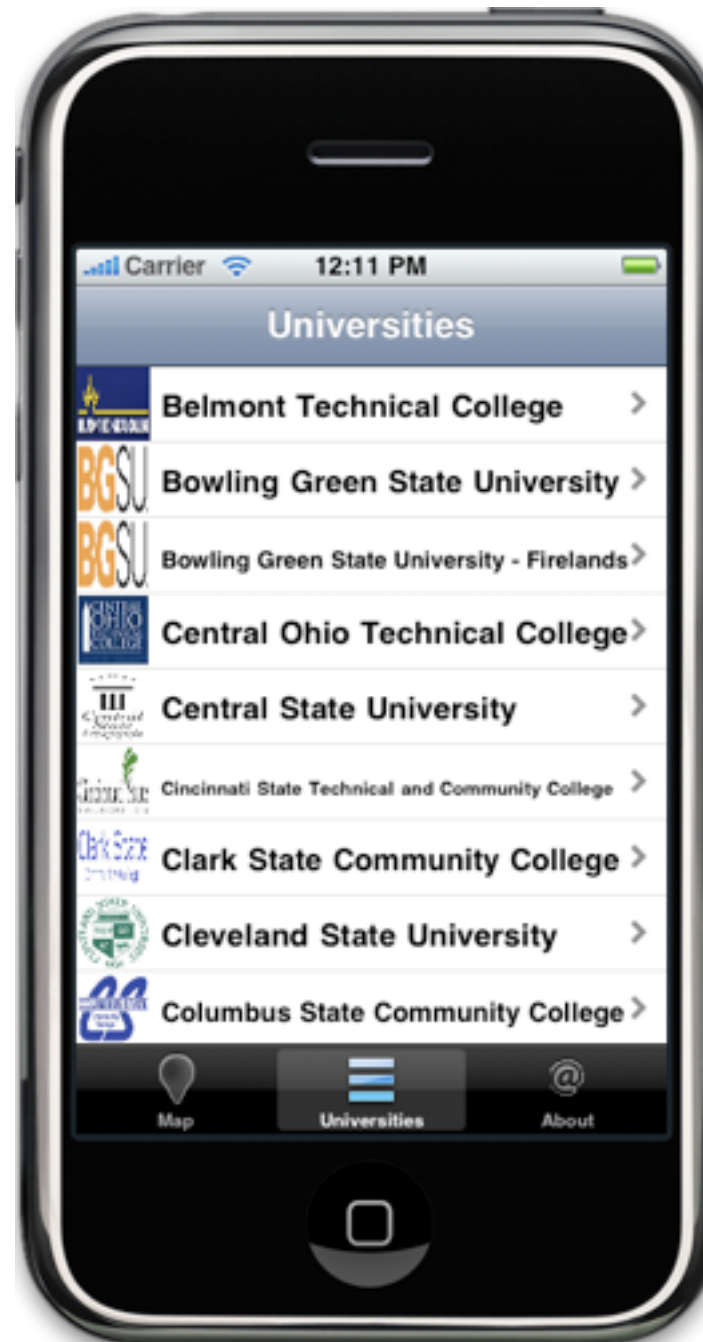
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**How many of you are currently or
have developed applications for the
iOS Platform?**

**How many of you have ever unit or
functionally tested your iOS
application?**

**How many of you have ever
unit tested on another
platform or language?**

**WHY AREN'T YOU TESTING
YOUR IOS APPLICATIONS?**



iOS unit and functional testing is
neither straight forward or easy

iOS Unit Testing Challenges

- Tooooo many steps to get started
- No red bar/green bar
- Can't run individual tests
- Unit test template code contains too much
- Unit tests can not be debugged out of the box
- Little documentation
- Multiple targets
- Only includes very basic testing support
 - No mock framework included

Good News

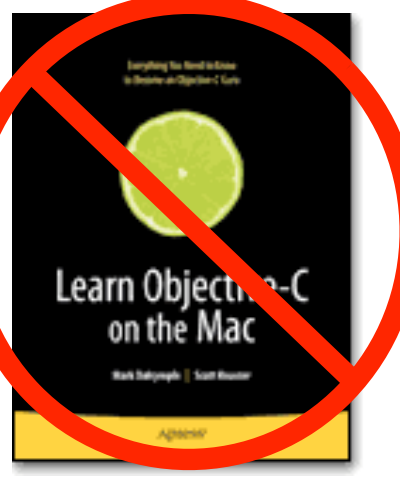
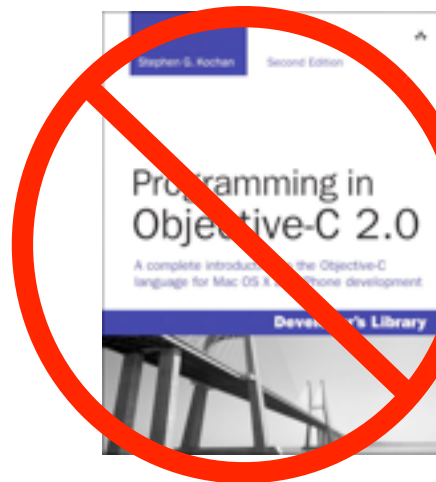


Xcode 4 is so much easier

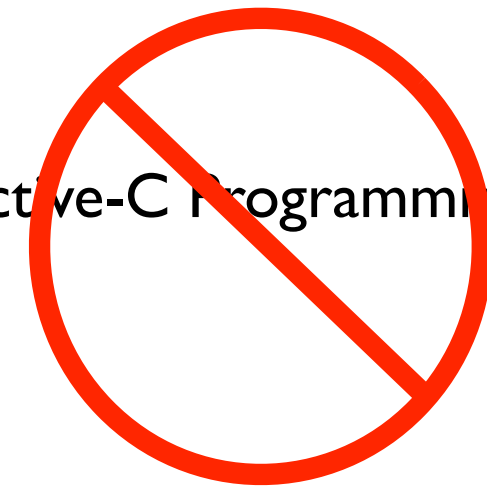
iOS Functional Testing Challenges



Testing Coverage



The Objective-C Programming Language



UNIT TESTING

Unit Testing Basics

Why Unit Test?

- Improves design
- Facility change and refactoring
- Simplifies integration
- Provides executable documentation





includes



OCUnit

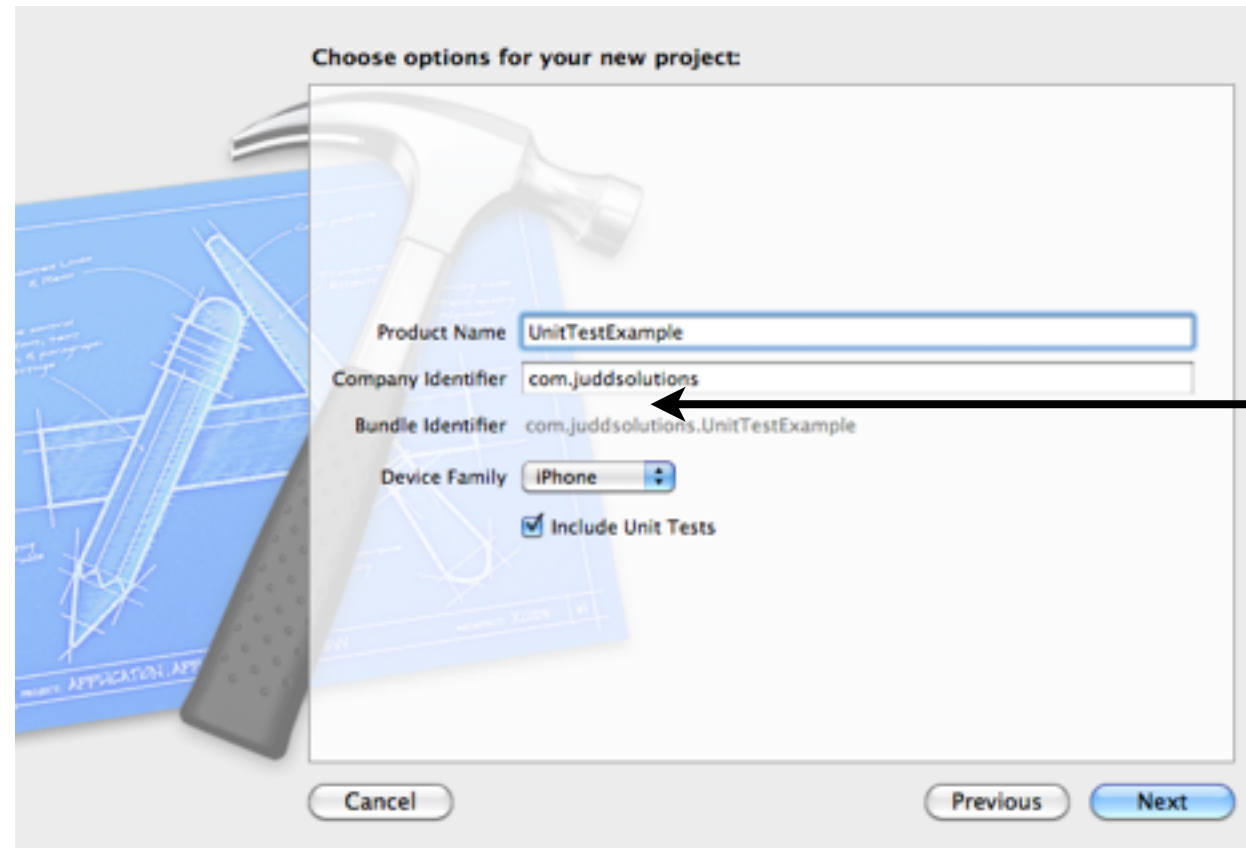
also known as

SenTestingKit

Logic Test == Unit Test
Application Test == More Functional Test

Getting Started

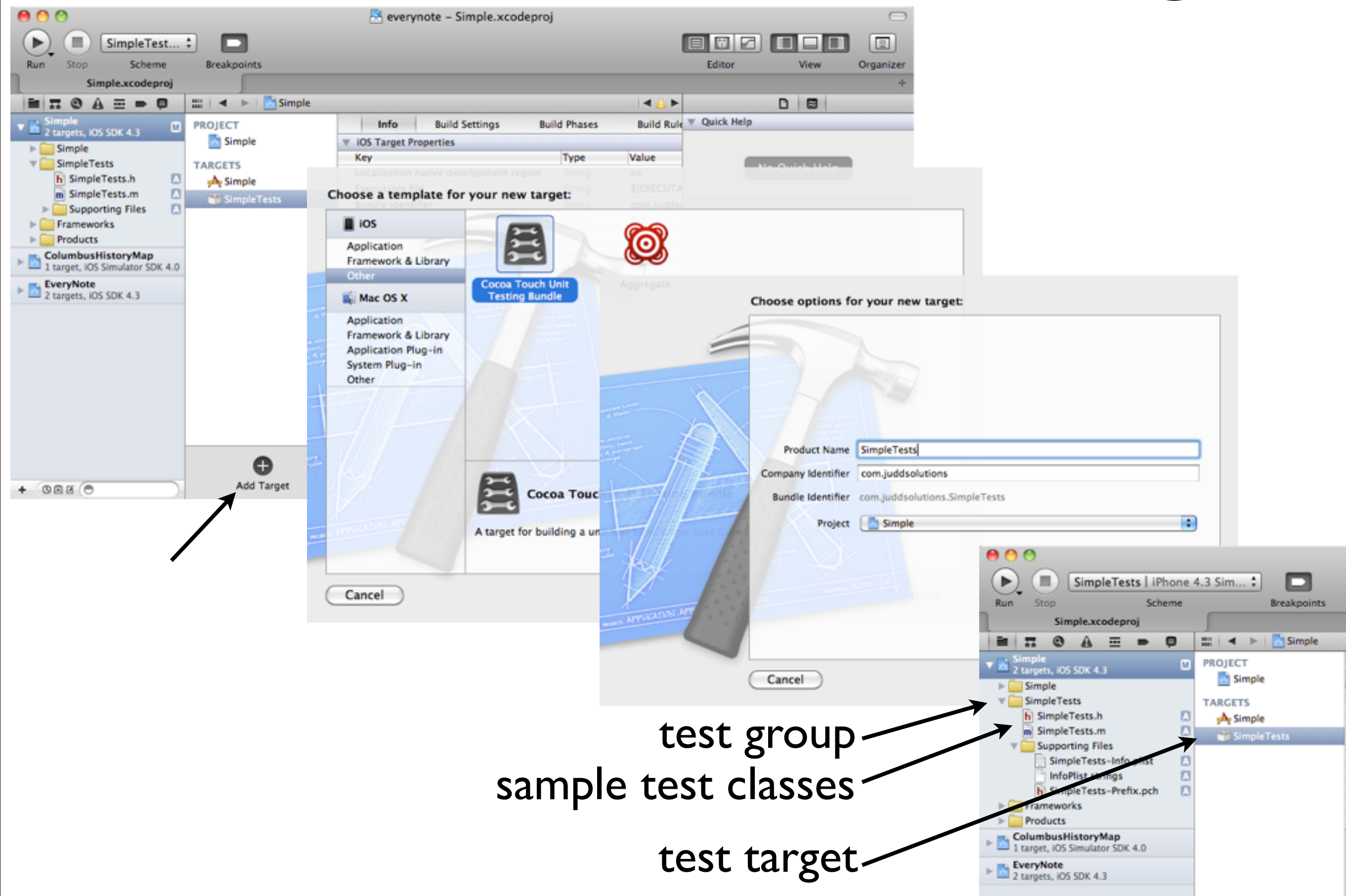
Unit Testing Setup Steps



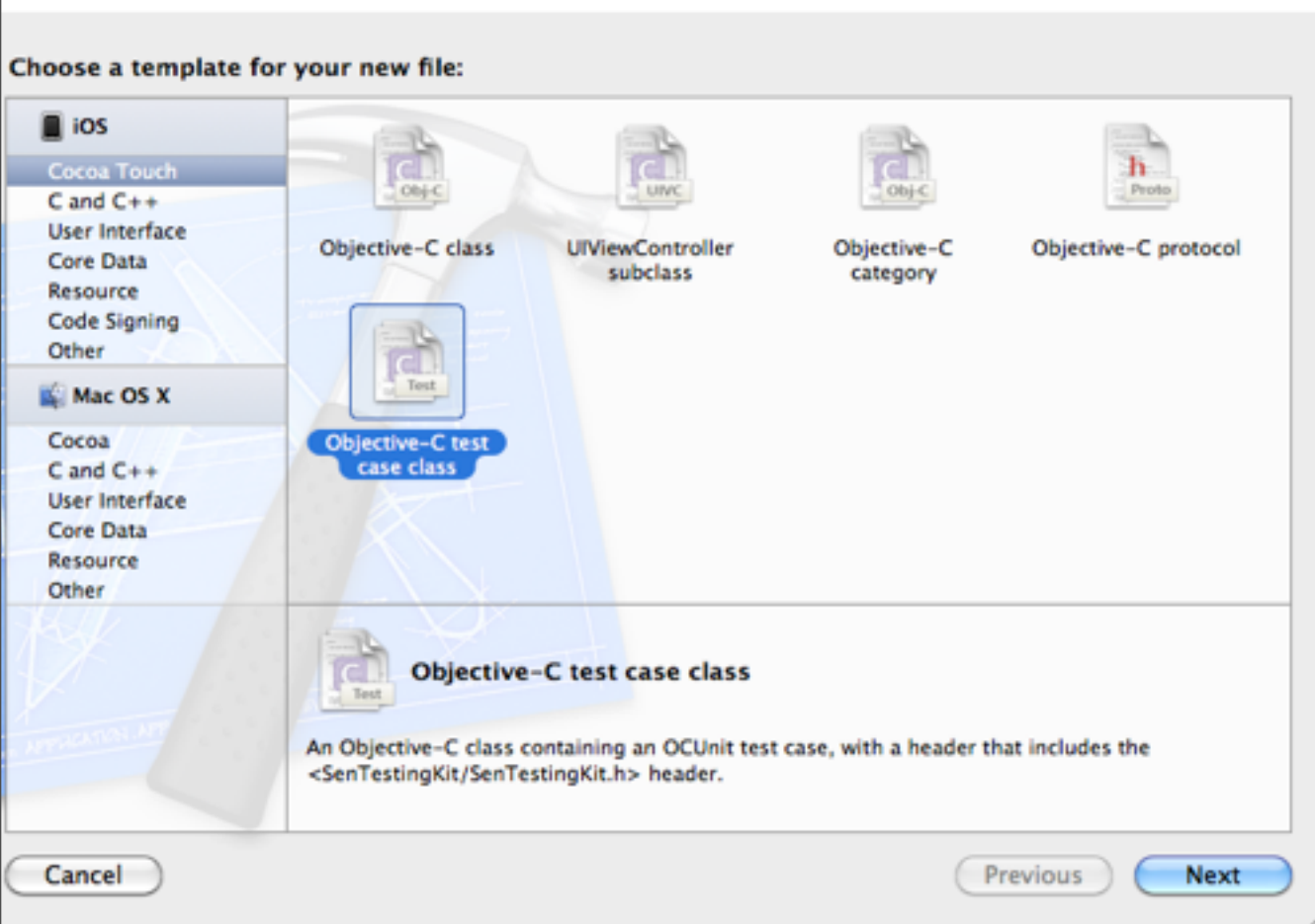
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1. Add Target
2. Cocoa Touch Unit Testing Bundle

Add Unit Test Bundle Target

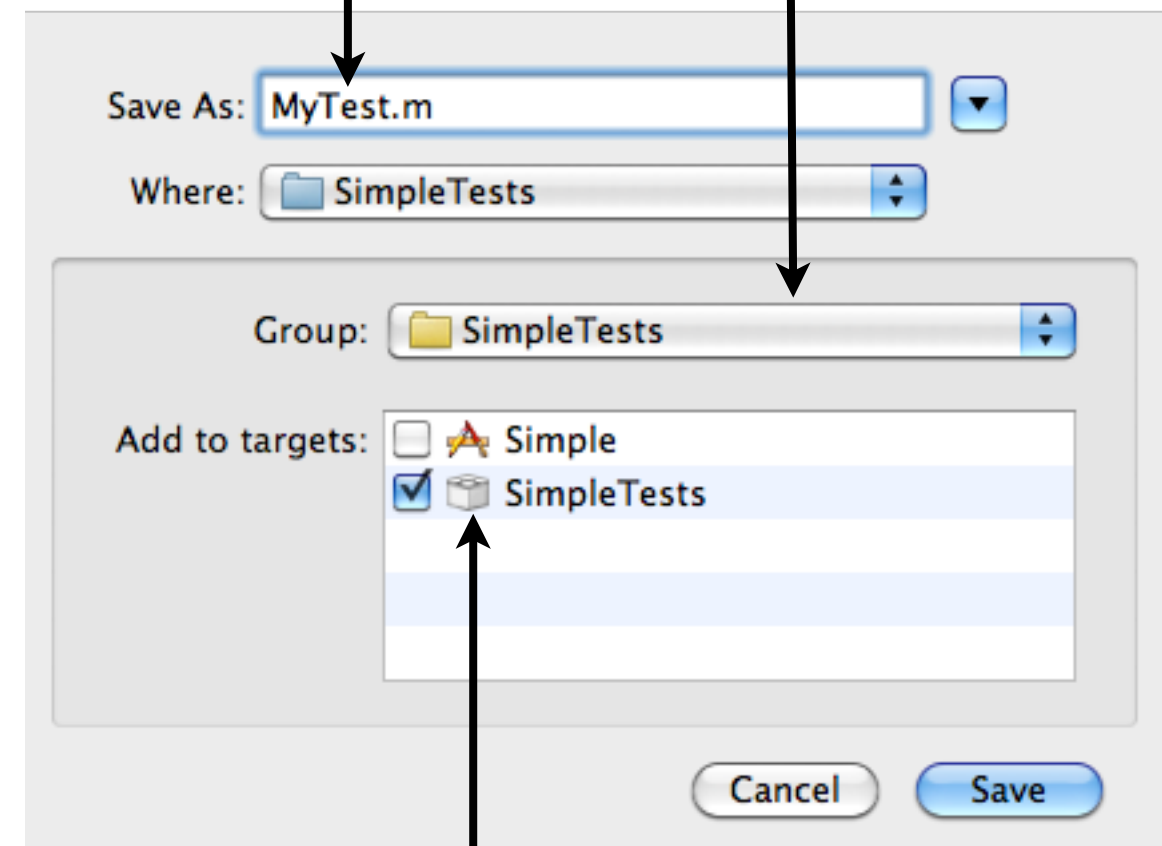


Add Unit Test Class



Should end in Test

Should be in a test group



Must be have unit test target checked

Generated Test Class

*Test.h

```
#define USE_APPLICATION_UNIT_TEST 1

#import <SenTestingKit/SenTestingKit.h>
#import <UIKit/UIKit.h>
//#import "application_headers" as required

@interface SimpleTest : SenTestCase {
}

#if USE_APPLICATION_UNIT_TEST
- (void) testAppDelegate; // simple test on application
#else
- (void) testMath; // simple standalone test
#endif

@end
```

*Test.m

```
#import "SimpleTest.h"

@implementation SimpleTest

#if USE_APPLICATION_UNIT_TEST // all code under test is in the iPhone Application

- (void) testAppDelegate {
    id yourAppDelegate = [[UIApplication sharedApplication] delegate];
    STAssertNotNil(yourAppDelegate,
        @"UIApplication failed to find the AppDelegate");
}

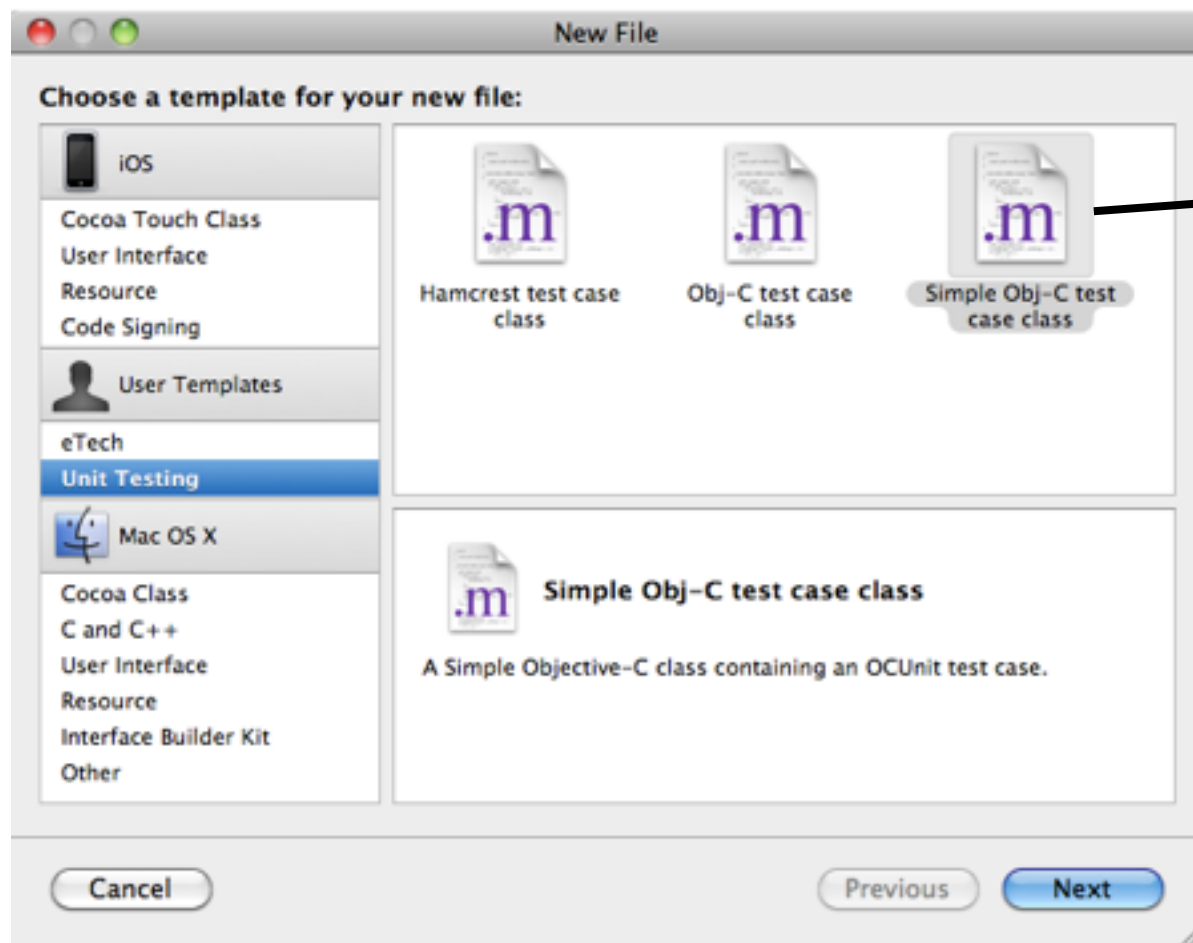
#else // all code under test must be linked into the Unit Test bundle

- (void) testMath {
    STAssertTrue((1+1)==2, @"Compiler isn't feeling well today :-( ");
}

#endif

@end
```

Create Custom User Templates



*Test.m

```
#import <SenTestingKit/SenTestingKit.h>

@interface SimpleTests : SenTestCase {
}

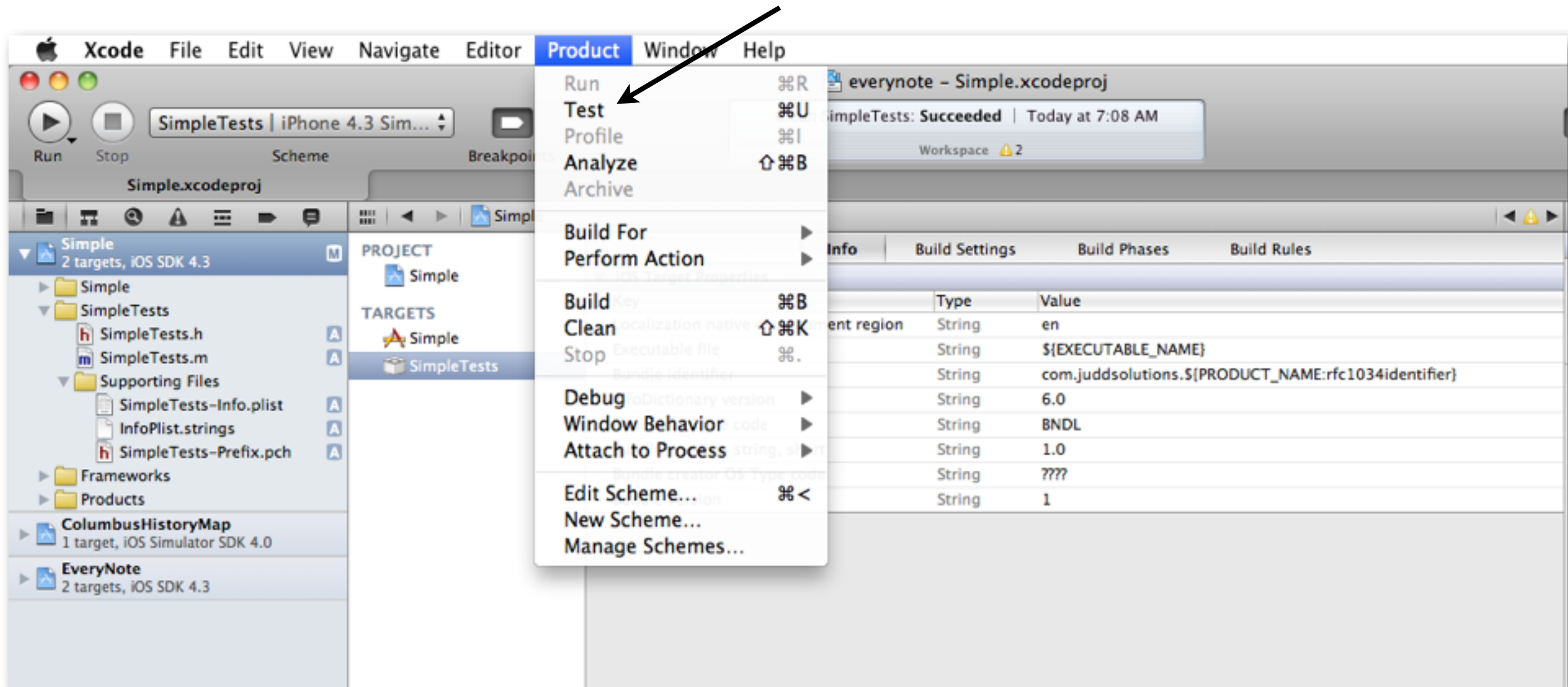
@end

@implementation SimpleTests
- (void) testMethod {
    STAssertTrue(true, @"message");
}

@end
```

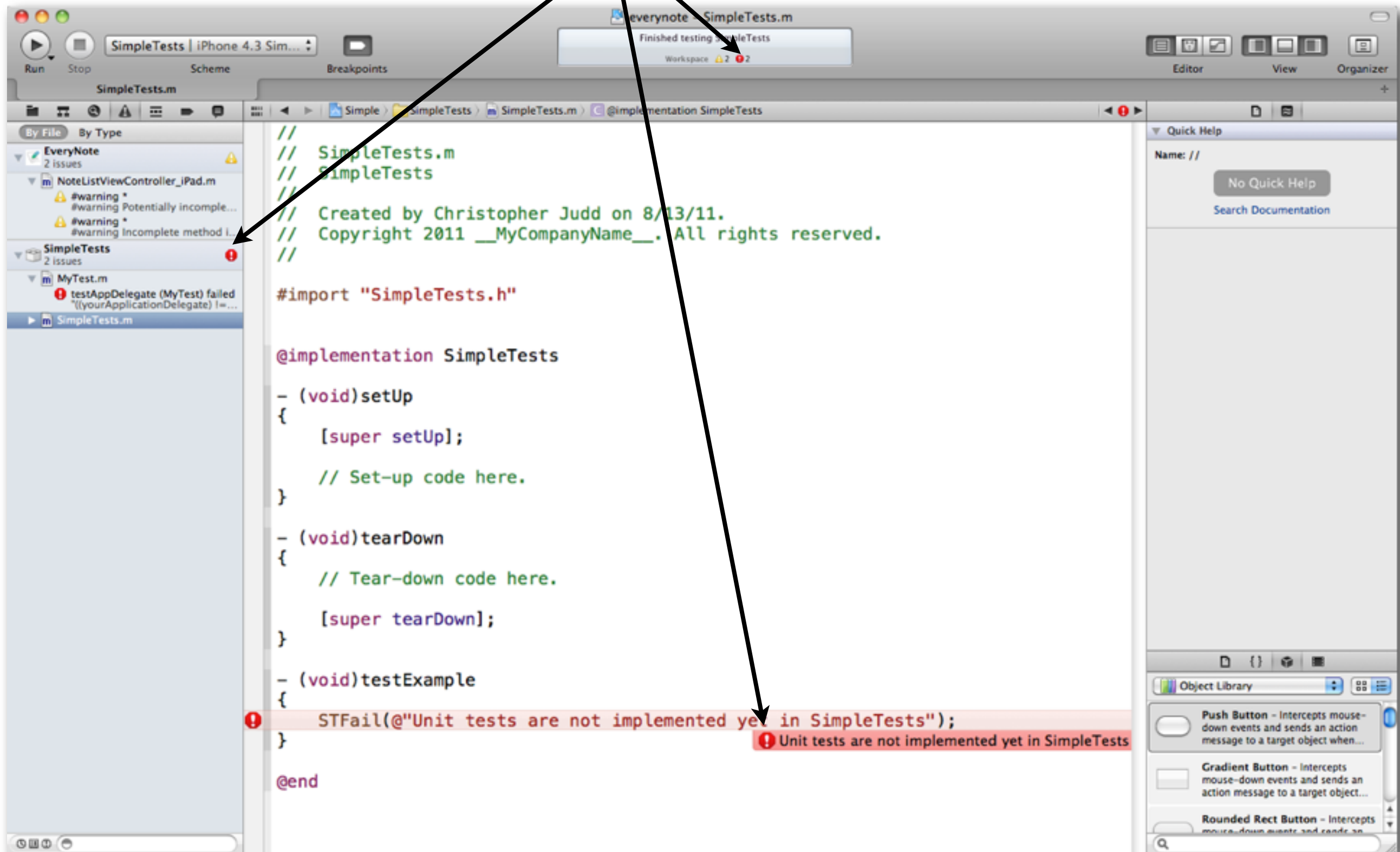
Running Unit Tests

Running Tests



or
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Red Bar



Still no Green Bar :(

Writing Unit Tests

Basic Unit Test

*Test.m

```
#import <SenTestingKit/SenTestingKit.h>

@interface MyUnitTest : SenTestCase {

}

@end@implementation MyUnitTest

- (void) setUp {
    // initialize tests
}

- (void) testMethod {
    // Test code
}

- (void) tearDown {
    // clean up after test
}

@end
```

must extend SenTestCase

must return void and
take no parameters

test methods must
begin with test

Assert Macros

```
STAssertNil(a1, description, ...)
STAssertNotNil(a1, description, ...)
STAssertTrue(expression, description, ...)
STAssertFalse(expression, description, ...)
STAssertEqualObjects(a1, a2, description, ...)
STAssertEquals(a1, a2, description, ...)
STAssertEqualsWithAccuracy(left, right, accuracy, description, ...)
STAssertThrows(expression, description, ...)
STAssertThrowsSpecific(expression, specificException, description, ...)
STAssertThrowsSpecificNamed(expr, specificException, aName, description, ...)
STAssertNoThrow(expression, description, ...)
STAssertNoThrowSpecific(expression, specificException, description, ...)
STAssertNoThrowSpecificNamed(expr, specificException, aName, description, ...)
STFail(description, ...)
STAssertTrueNoThrow(expression, description, ...)
STAssertFalseNoThrow(expression, description, ...)
```

Basic Unit Test Example

*Test.m

```
#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>
#import <SenTestingKit/SenTestingKit.h>

@interface MyUnitTest : SenTestCase {
    NSMutableArray* _array;
}

@end

@implementation MyUnitTest

- (void) setUp {
    _array = [[NSMutableArray arrayWithObjects:@"1", @"2", @"3", nil] retain];
}

- (void) testSize {
    STAssertEquals(3, (int)[_array count], @"Size must be three.");
}

- (void) testIndex {
    STAssertEqualObjects(@"2", [_array objectAtIndex:1], @"Must retrieve object at index of 1.");
}

- (void) tearDown {
    [_array release];
}

@end
```

Additional Unit Testing Thoughts

```
- (void)testReturnsStubbedReturnValue
{
    id returnValue;

    [[[mock stub] andReturn:@"megamock"] lowercaseString];
    returnValue = [mock lowercaseString];

    STAssertEqualObjects(@"megamock", returnValue, @"Should have returned stubbed value.");
}
```



hamcrest <http://code.google.com/p/hamcrest/>

```
#import <SenTestingKit/SenTestingKit.h>

#define HC_SHORTHAND
#import <OCHamcrestIOS/OCHamcrestIOS.h>

@interface Hamcrest : SenTestCase {}
@end

@implementation Hamcrest

- (void) testMethod {
    assertThat(@"cool", equalTo(@"cool"));
}

@end
```



uispec

Behavior Driven Development for the iPhone

<http://code.google.com/p/uispec/>

```
-(void)itShouldHaveDefaultUsers {
    //Check that all default users are in list
    [[app.tableView.label text:@"Larry Stooge"] should].exist;
    [[app.tableView.label text:@"Curly Stooge"] should].exist;
    [[app.tableView.label text:@"Moe Stooge"] should].exist;
}
```

GHUnit

0.4.26

GHUnit is a test framework for Objective-C (Mac OS X 10.5 and above and iPhone 3.x and above). It can be used with SenTestingKit, GTM or all by itself.

For example, your test cases will be run if they subclass any of the following:

- [GHTestCase](#)
- [SenTestCase](#)
- [GTMTestCase](#)

Source: <http://github.com/gabriel/gh-unit>

View docs online: <http://gabriel.github.com/gh-unit/>

This manual is divided in the following sections:

- [Installing](#)
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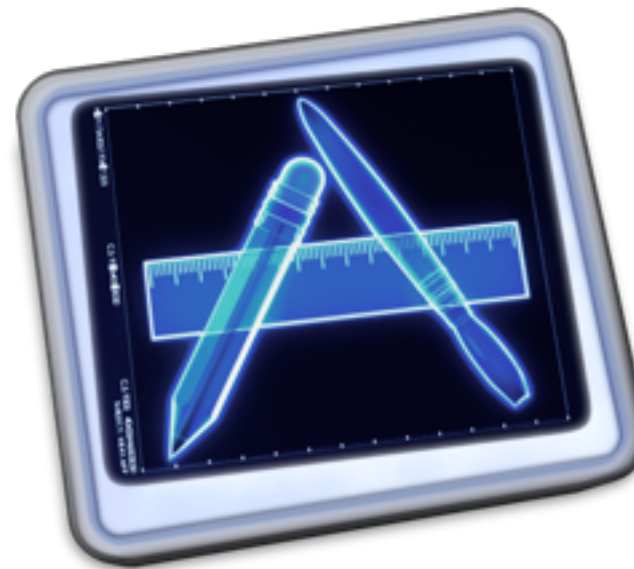
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Functional Testing

UI AUTOMATION



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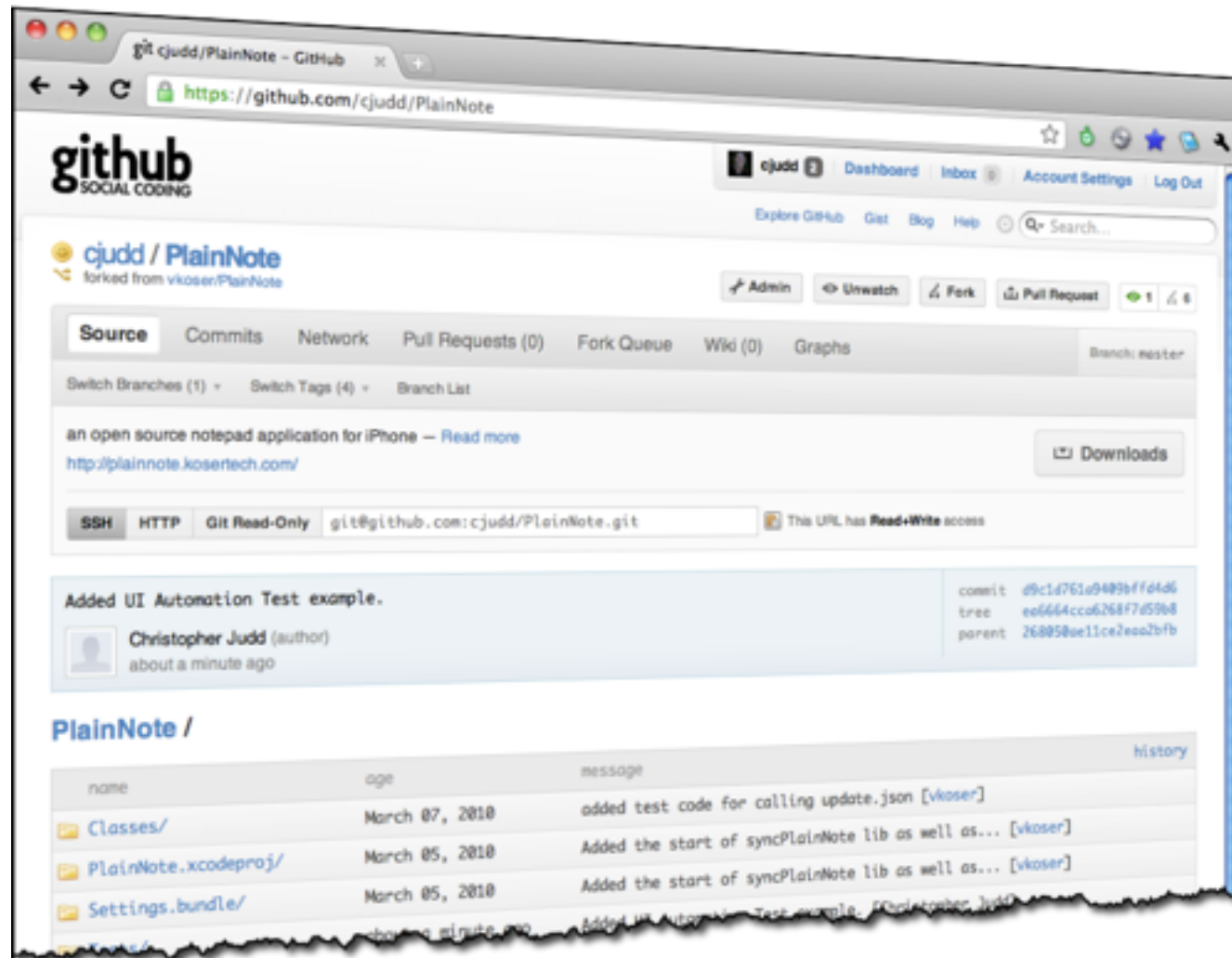
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Device



Simulator

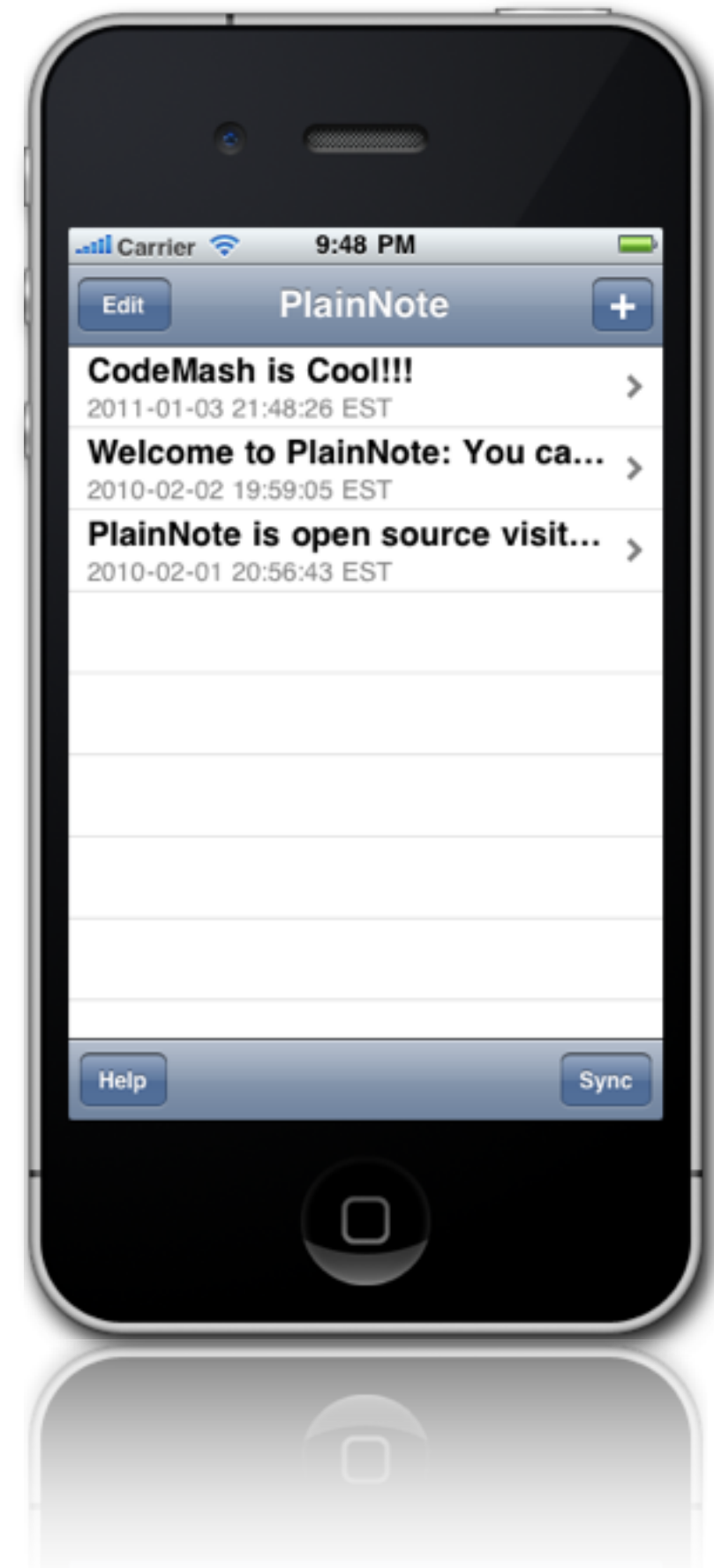
Example Application



<https://github.com/cjudd/PlainNote>

derived from

<https://github.com/vkoser/PlainNote>



Running UI Automation Scripts

Test Results

Instruments1

Record Target Inspection Range View Library

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Automation

Script Log

Index	Timestamp	Log Messages	Log Type	Screenshot
0	11:01:24 PM EST	► Open Help Test	Pass	
2	11:01:25 PM EST	▼ Add Note Test	Fail	
3	11:01:31 PM EST	Cannot perform action on invalid eleme...	Debug	
4	11:01:32 PM EST	Cannot perform action on invalid eleme...	Error	
5	11:01:32 PM EST	1) UIATarget [name:Chris Judd's iPhone ...	Debug	
6	11:01:32 PM EST	2) UIAApplication [name:PlainNote value...	Debug	
7	11:01:32 PM EST	3) UIAWindow [name:(null) value:(null) r...	Debug	
8	11:01:32 PM EST	4) UINavigationBar [name:PlainNote val...	Debug	
9	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UIButton [name:Edit value:(null) rect:...	Debug	
10	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UILabel [name:PlainNote value:(...	Debug	
11	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UIButton [name:(null) value:(null) rec...	Debug	
12	11:01:32 PM EST	4) UITableView [name:Empty list value:...	Debug	
13	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UITableViewCell [name>Welcome to Plain...	Debug	
14	11:01:32 PM EST	6) UILabel [name>Welcome to PlainN...	Debug	
15	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UITableViewCell [name:PlainNote is open...	Debug	
16	11:01:32 PM EST	6) UILabel [name:PlainNote is open s...	Debug	
17	11:01:32 PM EST	4) UIToolbar [name:(null) value:(null) re...	Debug	
18	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UIButton [name:Help value:(null) rec...	Debug	
19	11:01:32 PM EST	5) UIButton [name:Sync value:(null) rec...	Debug	
20	11:01:33 PM EST	Add Note Test	Fail	
21	11:01:33 PM EST	Script completed.	Default	

Automation

Script Log

UIAutomationTests.js Edit

Run on Record

Stop Script Start Script

Script is stopped.

Screenshot

Take Screenshot Now

Logging

Continuously Log Results

Choose Location...

Export All Results Now...

Extended Detail

Log Data

Error

1/6/11 11:01:32 PM EST

Cannot perform action on invalid element: UIAElementNil from target.frontMostApp().mainWindow().navigationBar().buttons()["Add"]

Screenshot

PlainNote

Welcome to PlainNote: You ca...

2010-02-02 19:59:05 EST

PlainNote is open source visit...

2010-02-01 20:56:43 EST

Writing UI Automation Scripts

ELEMENT TREE

UITarget

UIApplication

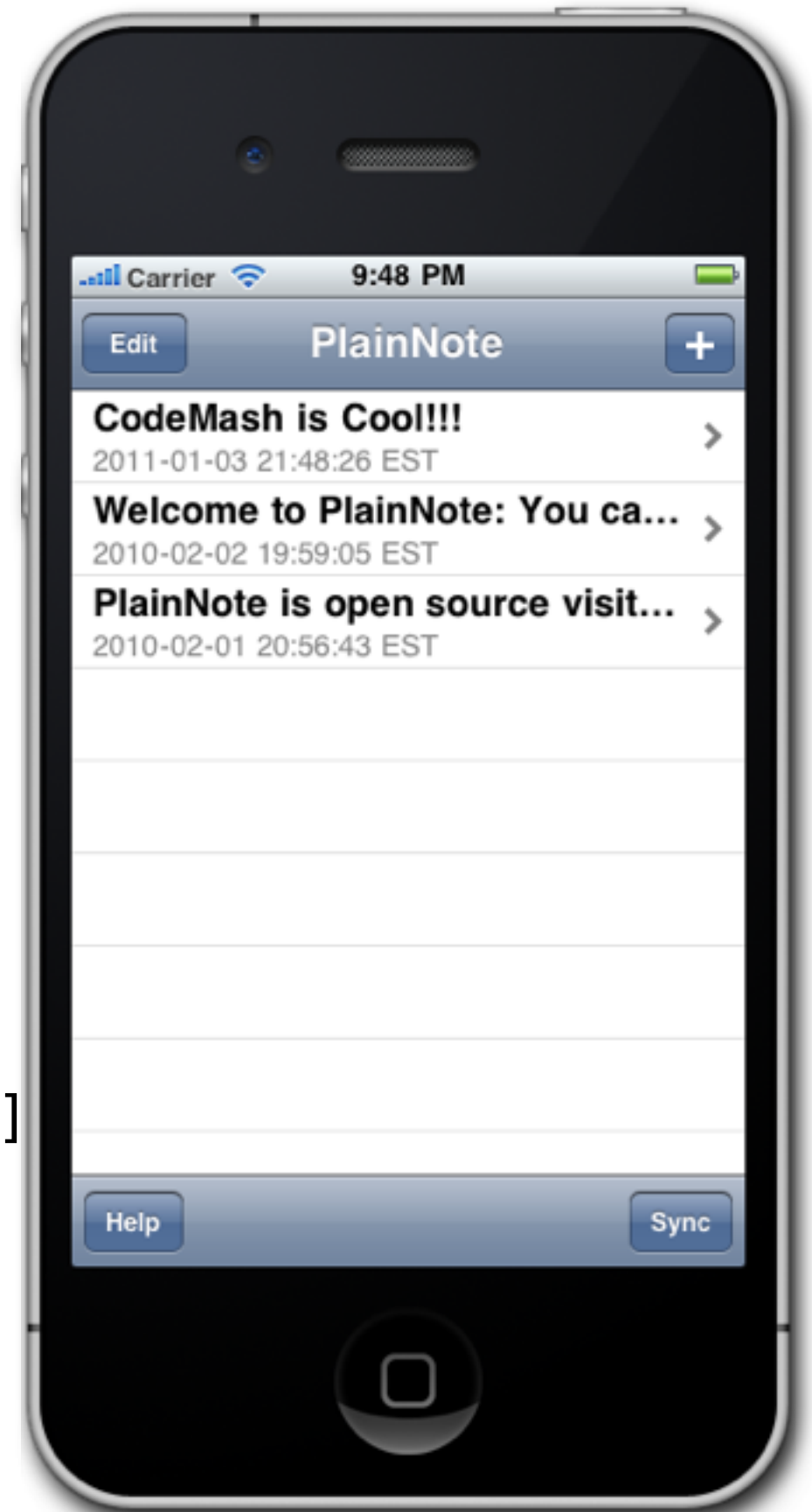
UINavigationController

UIWindow

UITableView

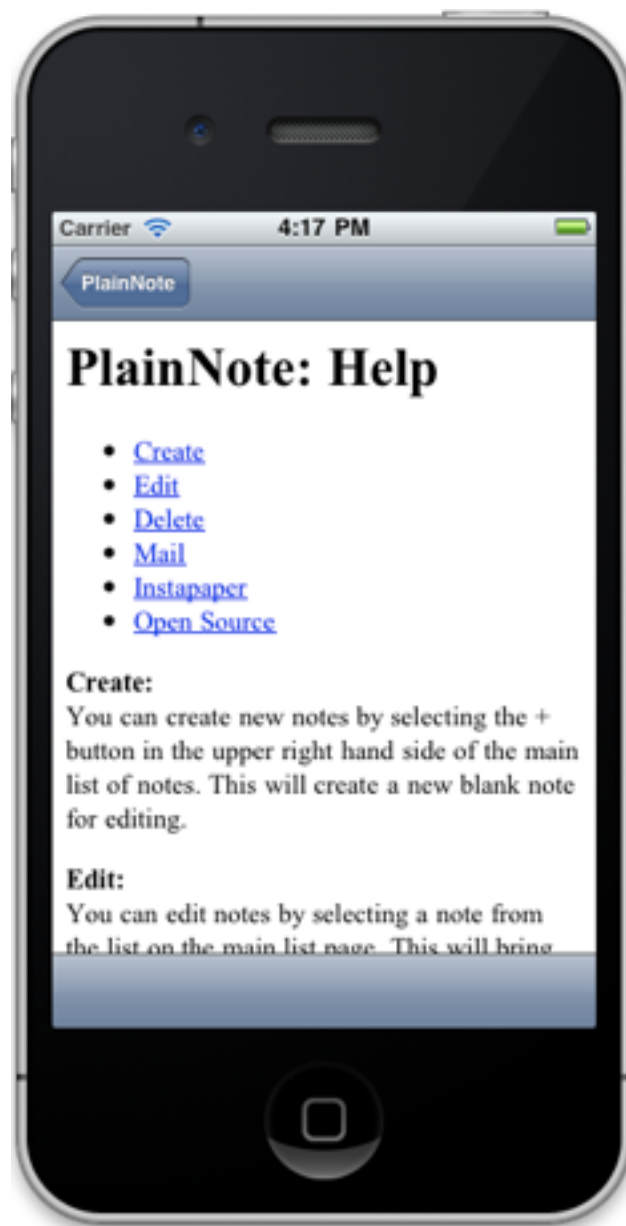
UITableViewCell

```
UITarget.localTarget().frontMostApp()  
    .mainWindow().tableViews()[0].cells()[0]
```



Technique to visualize element tree

```
UITarget.localTarget()  
    .logElementTree();
```



```
1) UITarget [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{2.7520829e-39, 2.0667855e-36}, {-1.9984865, 1.7892661e-37}}]  
2) UIApplication [name:PlainNote value:(null) NSRect: {{0, 20}, {320, 460}}]  
3) UIWindow [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{0, 0}, {320, 480}}]  
4) UIScrollView [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{320, 64}, {320, 372}}]  
5) UIImageView [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{320, 64}, {54, 54}}]  
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5) UIImageView [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{320, 64}, {320, 30}}]  
5) UIWebView [name:(null) value:(null) NSRect: {{320, 64}, {320, 1019}}]  
6) UILabel [name:1 value:(null) NSRect: {{328, 73}, {220, 36}}]  
6) UIElement [name:• value:(null) NSRect: {{350, 131}, {7, 19}}]  
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6) UILabel [name:Open Source value:(null) NSRect: {{368, 231}, {84, 19}}]  
7) UILabel [name:Open Source value:(null) NSRect: {{368, 231}, {84, 19}}]  
6) UILabel [name>Create: value:(null) NSRect: {{328, 267}, {52, 19}}]
```

Start test

```
var target = UIATarget.localTarget();
var app = target.frontMostApp();
var window = app.mainWindow();

function testDisplayingHelp(testName) {
    UIALogger.logStart(testName);
    try {
        htmlIsDisplayed = false;

        app.toolbar().buttons()["Help"].tap();

        // without the delay the element was not on the screen
        target.delay(1);

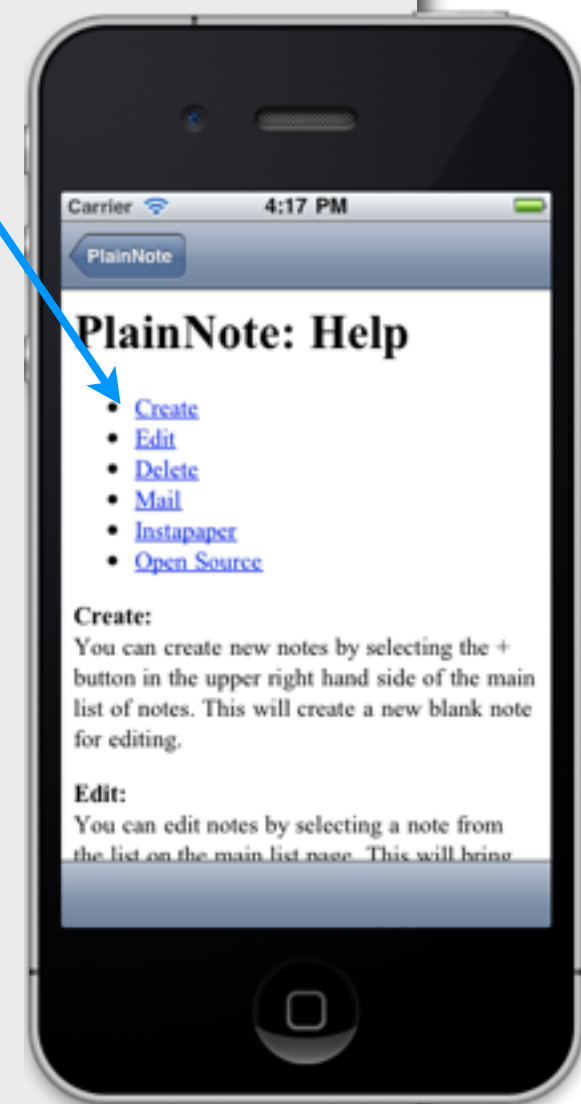
        // No good way to get to the URL or contents of a WebView
        webView = window.scrollViews()[0].webViews()[0];
        if("Create" == webView.links()[0].name()) {
            htmlIsDisplayed = true;
        }

        window.navigationBar().leftButton().tap();

        if(htmlIsDisplayed) {
            UIALogger.logPass(testName);
        } else {
            UIALogger.logFail(testName);
        }
    } catch (e) {
        UIALogger.logError(e);
        UIATarget.localTarget().logElementTree();
        UIALogger.logFail(testName);
    }
}

testDisplayingHelp("Open Help Test");
```

End test

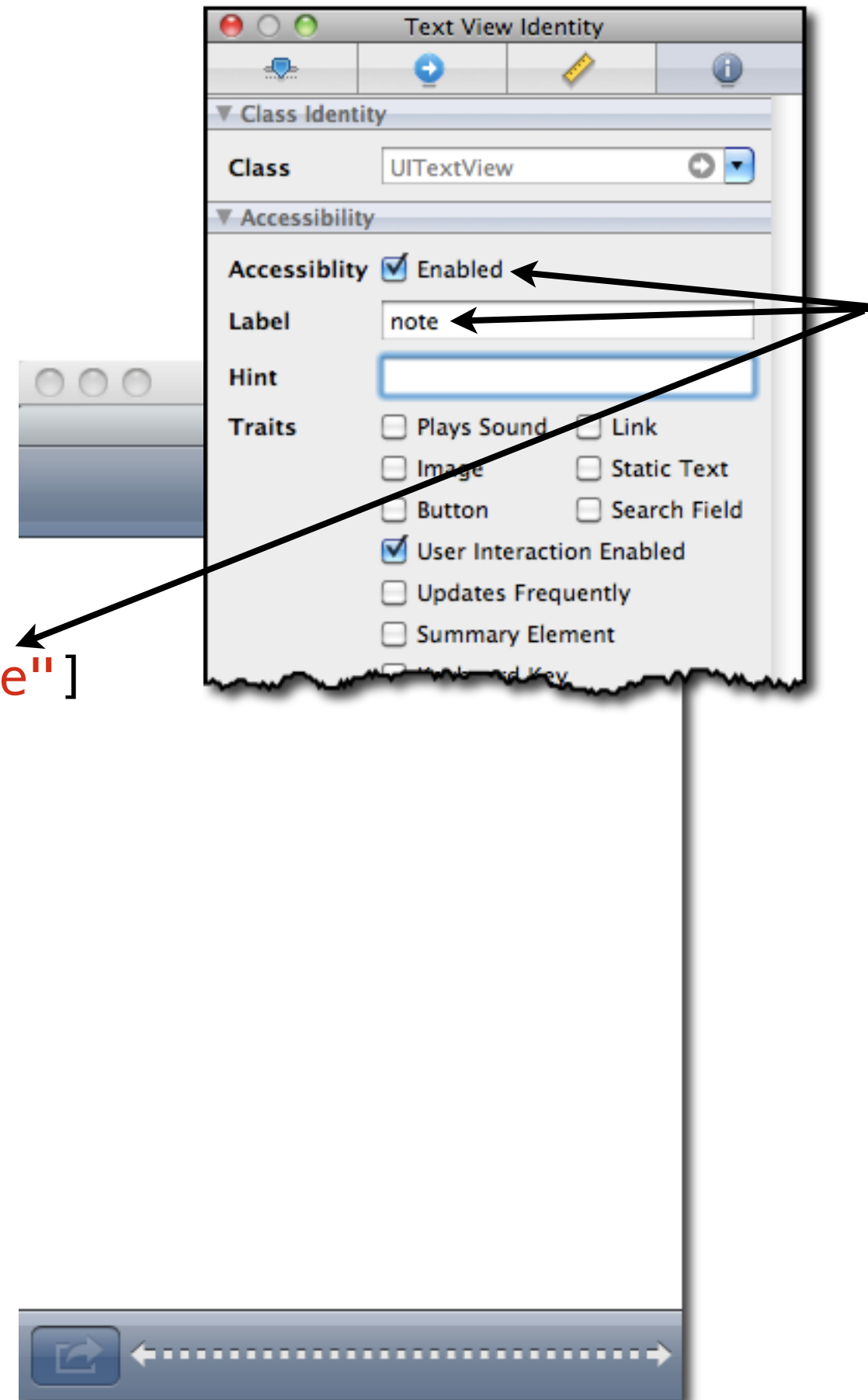


Instead of

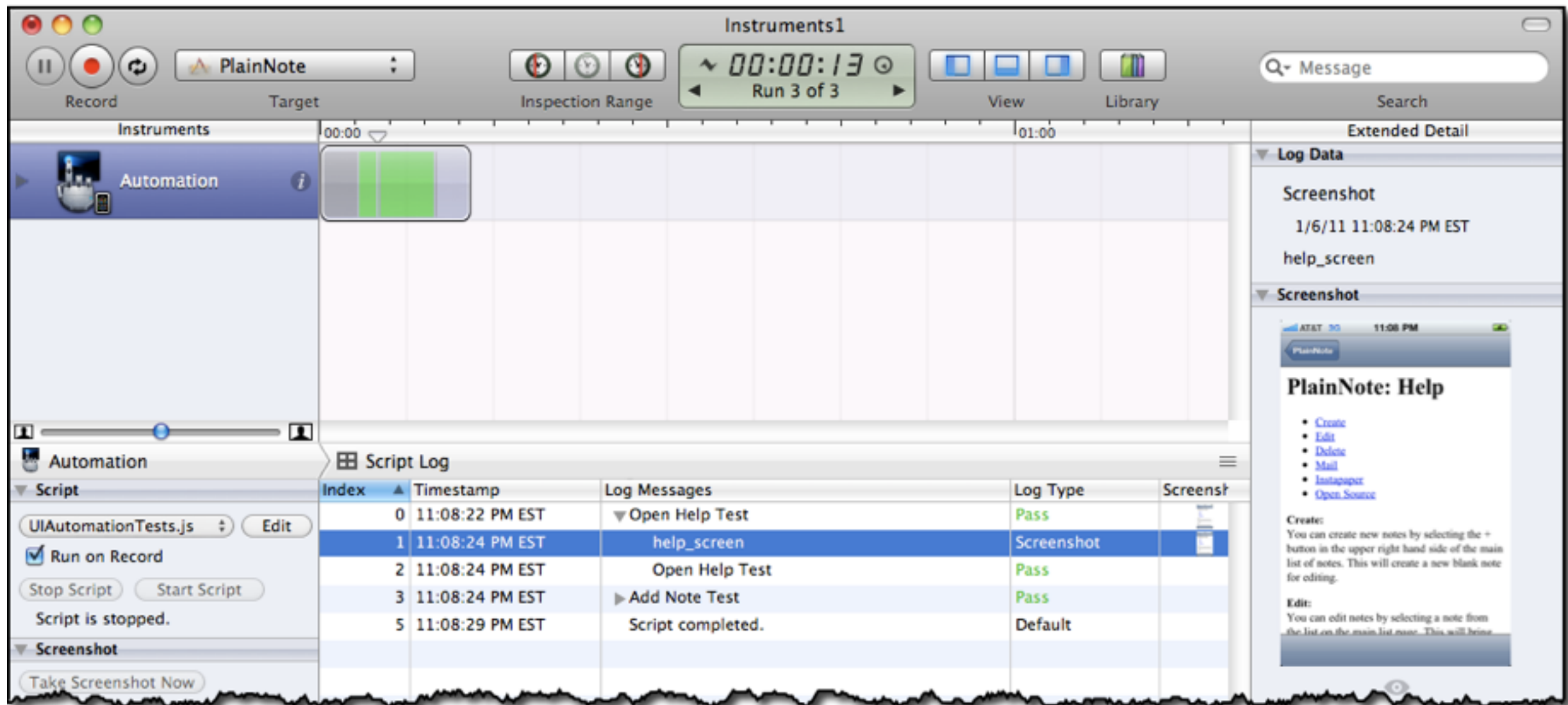
```
window.scrollViews()[0].textViews()[0]  
.setValue("CodeMash is cool!!!");
```

use

```
window.scrollViews()[0].textViews()["note"]  
.setValue("CodeMash is cool!!!");
```



```
UITarget.localTarget().captureScreenWithName("help_screen");
```



Does not work in simulator :(

When things don't work

add

```
UITarget.delay(1);
```

Make it easier with **tuneup**

provides templates and asserts

```
#import "tuneup/tuneup.js"

test("Open Help Test", function(target, app) {

  app.toolbar().buttons()["Help"].tap();

  // without the delay the element was not on the screen target.delay(1);
  target.captureScreenWithName("help_screen");

  // No good way to get to the URL or contents of a WebView
  webView = app.mainWindow().scrollViews()[0].webViews()[0];

  assertEquals("Create", webView.links()[0].name(), "HTML must be displayed");

  app.mainWindow().navigationBar().leftButton().tap();

});
```

https://github.com/alexvollmer/tuneup_js

Page Object

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extremely cheezy



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UI Tests – Part Two →

UI Tests – How do we keep them from being brittle?

Posted on [November 9, 2010](#) by [cheezy](#)

There has been a lot of talk about the value of tests that drive the user interface. Some people in the industry that I have a lot of respect for have gone as far as to say that you should not create these type of tests. You should instead create tests that access the application code directly under the UI. Part of their reasoning is that tests that hit the UI are brittle and therefore high maintenance.

And yet UI tests are very valuable. When a user describes the behavior of a system they usually do so in terms of the user interface. Also, acceptance tests that provide examples of behavior for a story almost always present this behavior from the end users point of view.

This post is the first in a series that will describe the techniques I use to make my UI tests agile. These techniques have been developed while coaching teams in very diverse technologies and platforms and as a result are “field tested”. The tools I will use for all of the examples are ruby and cucumber.

The application under test

We’ll be writing scripts against the depot application. It is a simple rails application that

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I am a @LeanDog

<http://www.cheezyworld.com/2010/11/09/ui-tests-not-brittle/>



- works with other instruments
- can run in the simulator or the device



- no command-line automation
- no fixtures (setup, teardown)
- difficult to debug (element tree & delays)
- little documentation
- test run must be manually stopped

UI Automation Resources

UI Automation Reference Collection

http://developer.apple.com/library/ios/#documentation/DeveloperTools/Reference/UIAutomationRef/_index.html



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ICUKE



<https://github.com/unboxed/icuke>

Cuke Script

Feature: Adding a note

In order to remember an important item

As a common person

I want to add a note to my collection of notes

Background:

Given "PlainNote.xcodeproj" is loaded in the iphone simulator

Scenario: Adding a note

When I tap "Add"

And I type "CodeMash is Cool!!!"

And I tap "Save"

Then I should see "CodeMash is Cool!!!"



- can be automated
- human readable
- easy to write



- can only run on simulator
- little documentation
- can not run in instruments

Resources



BDD on iPhone: iCuke

iCuke Gives iPhone the Cucumber Treatment

by Rob Holland

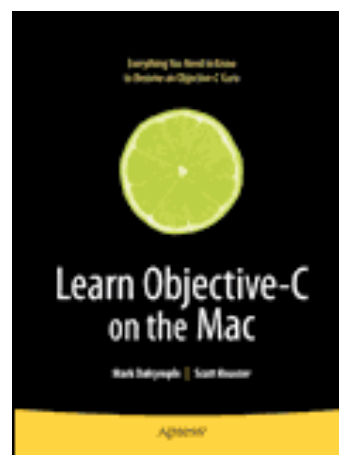
Almost a year ago in these pages, Ian Dees showed how to use Cucumber to test your iPhone apps. Now iCuke makes it even easier.

Aslak Hellesoy's [Cucumber](#) has seen huge success helping developers and project owners clearly communicate desired behavior in the Ruby on Rails arena.



<http://pragprog.com/magazines/2010-07/bdd-on-iphone-icuke>

Great iOS Resources



The Objective-C Programming Language





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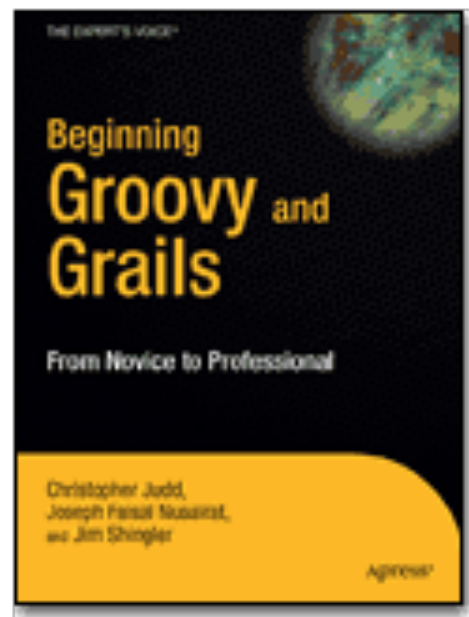
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