

Complications and Time Travel

CS193W - Spring 2016 - Lecture 5

Clock Faces



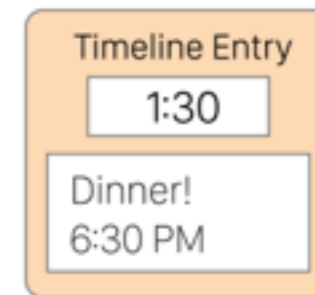
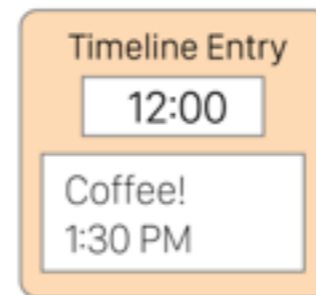
Complications



Time Travel

- By turning the digital crown, users can go forward and backward in time; the complications change to reflect their value at the selected time.
- For example, the user could see the weather forecast for a certain time of the day, or view upcoming meetings.

Time Travel Example



UI Responsiveness

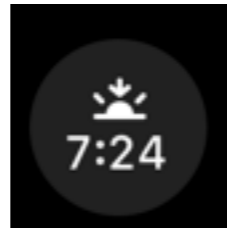
- Complications must be shown immediately when the user raises her wrist
- Time Travel requires that the complications change immediately in sync with the time
- But, complications may depend on server data, and network access is slow
- Solution: complication data is prefetched by the OS periodically

Complication Templates

- Rather than using storyboards, complications use templates, where each template is a subclass of `CLKComplicationTemplate`.
- There are 22 subclasses of `CLKComplicationTemplate`.
- The 22 subclasses can be grouped into 5 families.

Complication Template Families

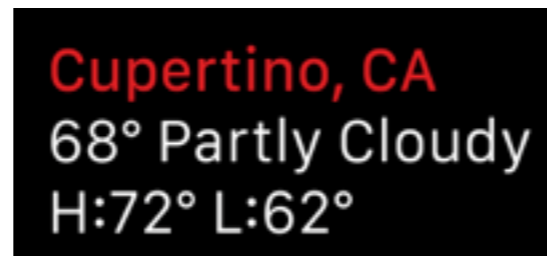
- Circular



- Modular small



- Modular large



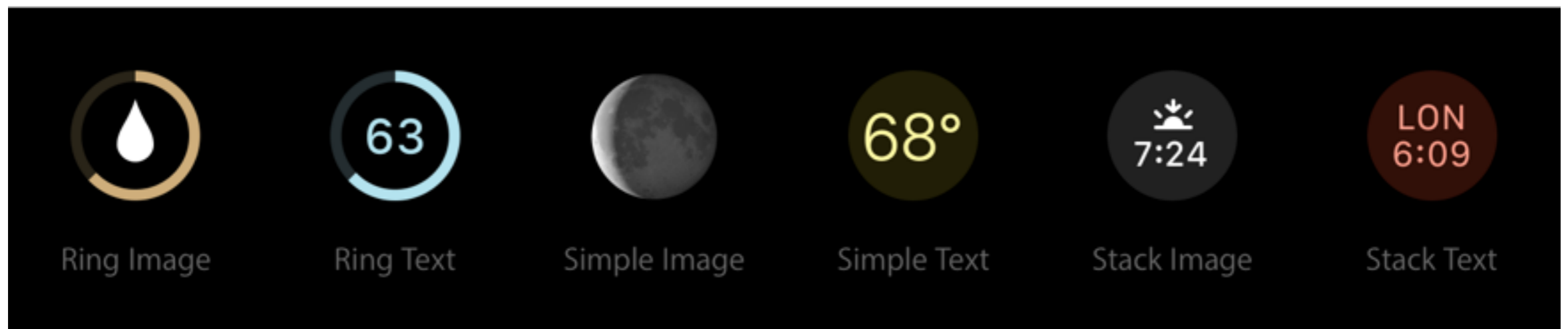
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- Utility large

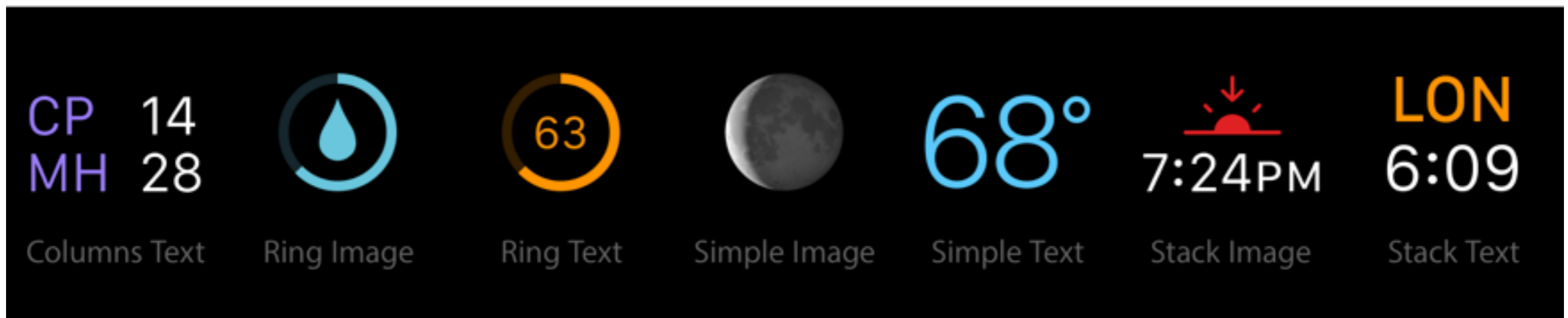


Circular Small



`CLKComplicationTemplateCircularSmallRingImage`, etc.

Modular Small



Modular Large



CAL 396/660
MIN 13/30
HOUR 3/12

Columns

Cupertino, CA
68° Partly Cloudy
H:72° L:62°

Standard Body

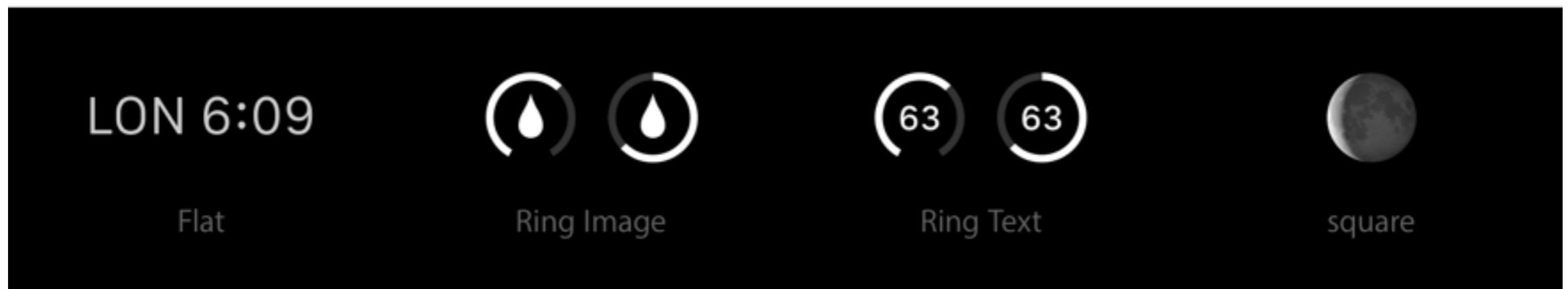
Final Score
14 Central Prep
28 Mission High

Table

Wednesday
Mar 9

Tall Body

Utility Small



Utility Large



11:00AM PHOTO SHOOT

Large Flat

Specifying Supported Families

watch-app Extension **General** Capabilities Resource Tags Info Build Settings

▶ Identity

▼ Complications Configuration

Data Source Class

- Supported Families
- Modular Small
 - Modular Large
 - Utilitarian Small
 - Utilitarian Large
 - Circular Small

Complications Group

CLKComplication

- Represents a complication
- Has just one exposed property, `family`

```
var family: CLKComplicationFamily

enum CLKComplicationFamily : Int {
    case ModularSmall
    case ModularLarge
    case UtilitarianSmall
    case UtilitarianLarge
    case CircularSmall
}
```

Providers

- ClockKit uses text and image providers to provide data for complications
- The providers are smart about how to display their information in a small area

Thursday, November 23

Thur, November 23

Thur, Nov 23

Nov 23

23

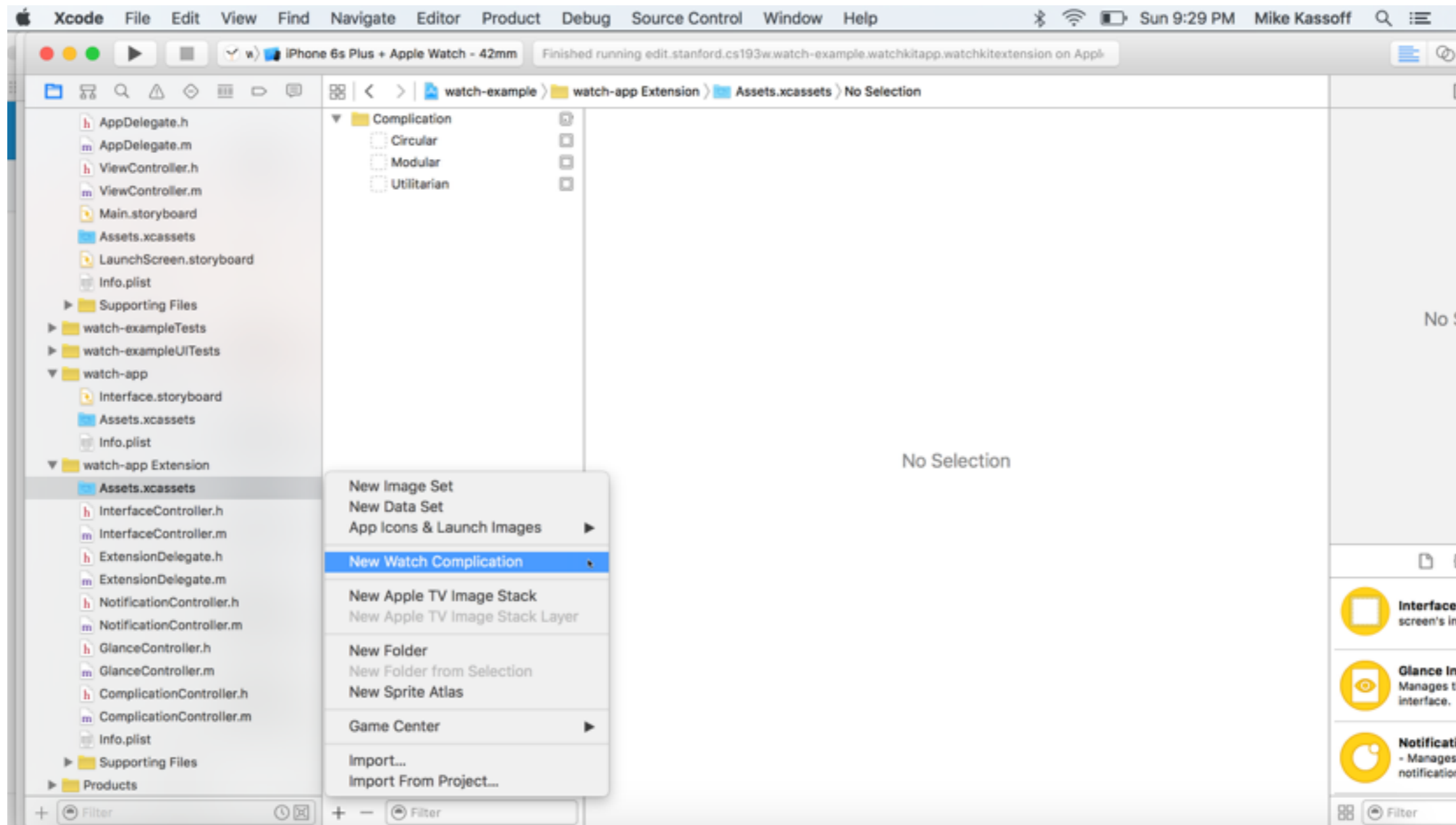
CLKImageProvider

```
convenience init(onePieceImage onePieceImage: UIImage,  
twoPieceImageBackground twoPieceImageBackground: UIImage?,  
twoPieceImageForeground twoPieceImageForeground: UIImage?)
```

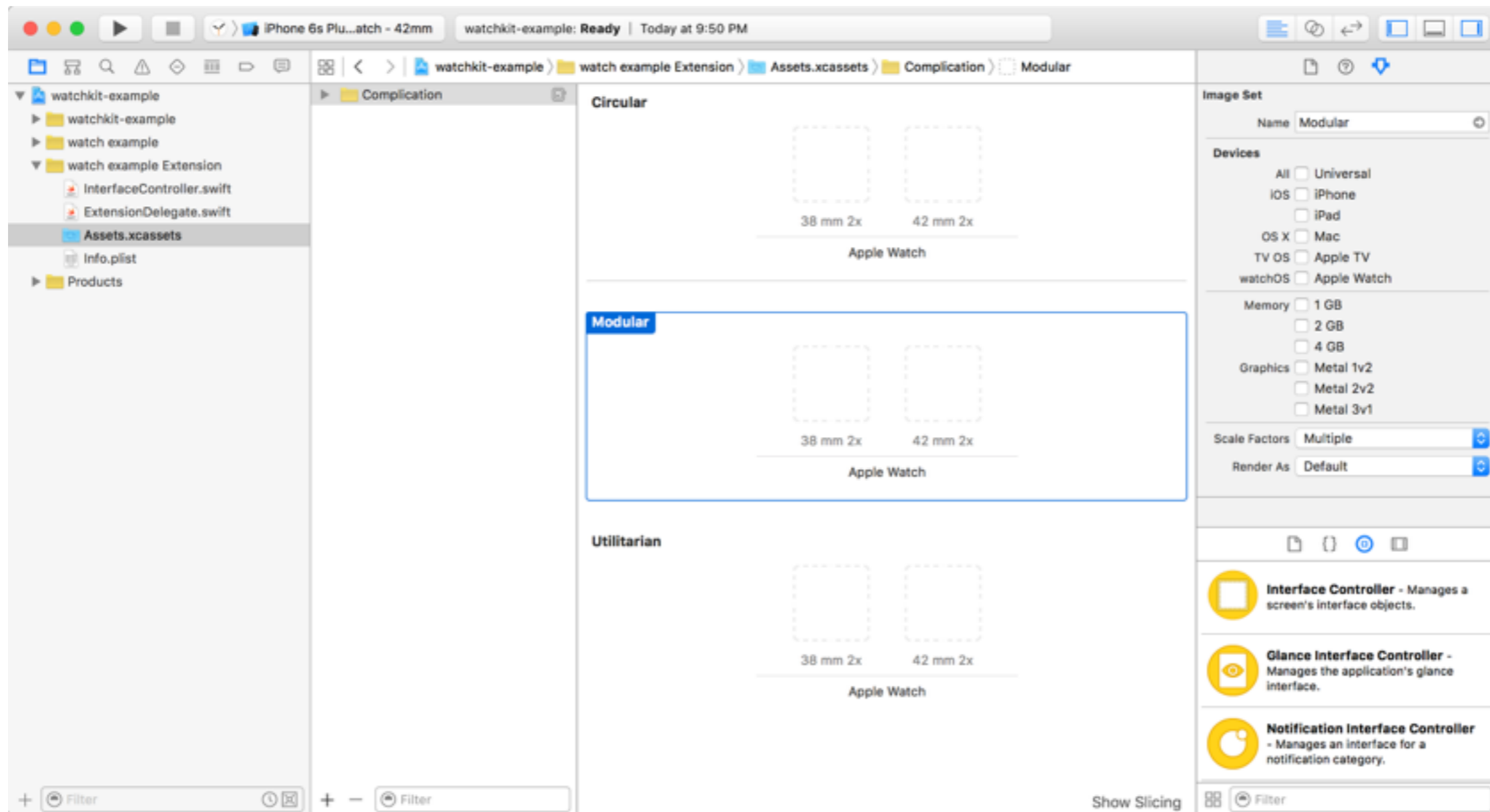
```
@property(nonatomic) UIColor *tintColor
```

- Images are tinted based on their alpha channel
- For two piece images, the background is tinted and the foreground is always white
- In monochrome environments, the one piece image is used and it is tinted to the watch face's color

Adding Complication Assets



Compilation Assets



Set the Complications Group

The screenshot shows the Xcode settings interface for a watch app extension. At the top, there are tabs for 'General', 'Capabilities', 'Resource Tags', 'Info', and 'Build Settings'. The 'General' tab is selected. Below the tabs, there are two sections: 'Identity' (expanded) and 'Complications Configuration' (collapsed). Under 'Complications Configuration', there are three settings: 'Data Source Class' set to 'ComplicationController', 'Supported Families' with five checked options (Modular Small, Modular Large, Utilitarian Small, Utilitarian Large, and Circular Small), and 'Complications Group' set to 'Complication'. The 'Complications Group' dropdown is highlighted with a red rectangular box.

watch-app Extension **General** Capabilities Resource Tags Info Build Settings

► Identity

▼ Complications Configuration

Data Source Class

Supported Families Modular Small
 Modular Large
 Utilitarian Small
 Utilitarian Large
 Circular Small

Complications Group

CLKTextProvider

- The superclass of several other providers:

`CLKSimpleTextProvider`

`CLKDateTextProvider`

`CLKRelativeDateTextProvider`

`CLKTimeIntervalTextProvider`

`CLKTimeTextProvider`

- It has one property, `tintColor`

CLKSimpleTextProvider

```
convenience init(text text: String,  
                 shortText shortText: String?)
```

Shows text if it fits,
otherwise shortText,
otherwise a truncated version of text

CLKTimeTextProvider

```
convenience init(date date: NSDate,  
                 timeZone timeZone: NSTimeZone?)
```

Like all the other date/time-related providers, it is localized.



10:09AM
10:09

CLKDateTextProvider

```
convenience init(date date: NSDate,  
                 units calendarUnits: NSCalendarUnit,  
                 timeZone timeZone: NSTimeZone?)
```

`calendarUnits` can contain one or more of the following:

NSDayCalendarUnit

NSMonthCalendarUnit

NSWeekdayCalendarUnit

NSYearCalendarUnit

```
Saturday, December 28, 2015  
Saturday, December 28  
Saturday, Dec 28  
Sat, Dec 28  
Dec 28  
28
```


CLKTimeIntervalTextProvider

```
convenience init(startDate startDate: NSDate,  
                endDate endDate: NSDate,  
                timeZone timeZone: NSTimeZone?)
```

Appropriate for large templates, e.g. modular large and utilitarian large.
In small templates only the beginning date will be shown.

```
9:30AM - 3:30PM  
9:30 - 10:30AM  
Jan 1 - Jan 7  
1/1 - 1/7
```

CLKRelativeDateTextProvider

```
convenience init(date date: NSDate,  
                 style style: CLKRelativeDateStyle,  
                 units calendarUnits: NSCalendarUnit)
```

Instead of using a timeline, shows the time differential between the current date and the given date.

Natural

Displays units broken up
10hrs 9min

Offset

Can display a single time unit
10 hours

Timer

Shows number of hours, minutes, and seconds between dates
10:09

CLKComplicationServer

Use `CLKComplicationServer.sharedInstance()` to manage the active complications in an app

```
var activeComplications: [CLKComplication]
```

Returns the complications on the current clock face

CLKComplicationServer: Time Travel Date Range

```
var earliestTimeTravelDate: NSDate  
var latestTimeTravelDate: NSDate
```

Returns the earliest and latest dates for which you need to provide time travel entries

CLKComplicationServer: Managing Timelines

```
func reloadTimelineForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication!)  
func extendTimelineForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication!)
```

Tell ClockKit that the timeline has changed

Daily Time Allotment

- To save battery life, each complication is given a daily time allotment for computation
- In short: don't change your timeline too many times during the day. Update it every few hours or once a day, not every few minutes.
- Note that your timeline can still have many entries during the day; just don't call `reloadTimelineForComplication` and `extendTimelineForComplication` too often.

CLKComplicationDataSource

- Provides data for your populating your complication's timeline
- Provides methods for scheduling future timeline updates

Adding a Complication Data Source to your App

Choose options for your new target:

Product Name:

Organization Name:

Organization Identifier:

Bundle Identifier:

Language:

Include Notification Scene

Include Glance Scene

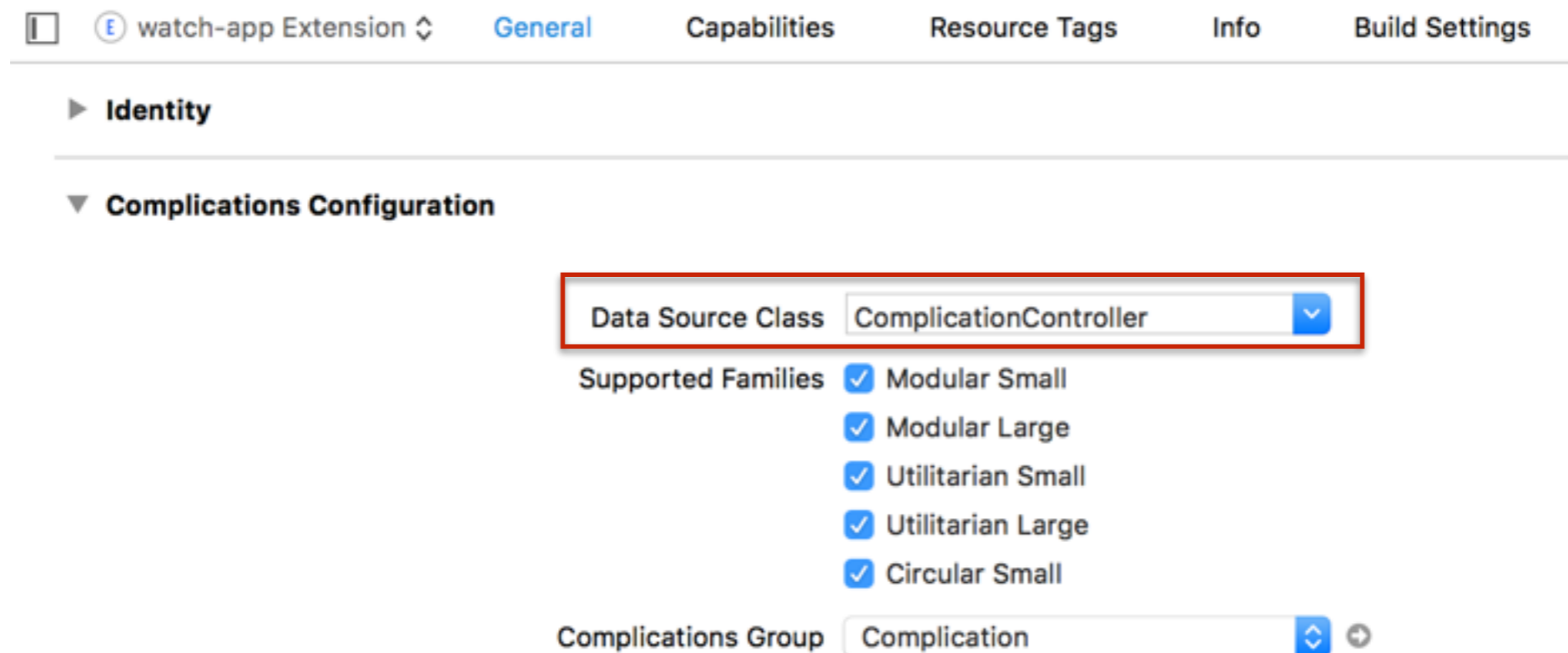
Include Complication

Project:

Embed in Companion Application:

Or, Add One Manually Later

1. Create a class that implements the `CLKComplicationDataSource` protocol
2. Specify the name of that class in your watch app target settings



Time Travel Directions

```
func getSupportedTimeTravelDirectionsForComplication(complication: CLKComplication,  
withHandler handler: (CLKComplicationTimeTravelDirections) -> Void) {  
    handler([.Forward, .Backward])  
}
```

Timeline Start and End Dates

```
func getTimelineStartDateForComplication(complication: CLKComplication,
withHandler handler: (NSDate?) -> Void) {
    handler(NSDate(timeInterval: -60*60*24, sinceDate: NSDate()))
}
```

```
func getTimelineEndDateForComplication(complication: CLKComplication,
withHandler handler: (NSDate?) -> Void) {
    handler(NSDate(timeInterval: 60*60*24, sinceDate: NSDate()))
}
```

You can call `earliestTimeTravelDate / latestTimeTravelDate` on `CLKComplicationServer.sharedInstance` to determine the maximum range you need to care about

CLKComplicationTimelineEntry

CLKComplicationDataSource uses CLKComplicationTimelineEntry to specify timeline entries

```
convenience init(date date: NSDate,  
complicationTemplate complicationTemplate: CLKComplicationTemplate)
```

date

The date to start showing the timeline entry

complicationTemplate

The template with the data to display

Getting the Timeline Entries

Getting current entry

```
func getCurrentTimelineEntryForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication,  
                                           withHandler handler: (CLKComplicationTimelineEntry?) -> Void)
```

Getting past entries

```
optional func getTimelineEntriesForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication,  
                                               beforeDate date: NSDate,  
                                               limit limit: Int,  
                                               withHandler handler: ([CLKComplicationTimelineEntry]?) -> Void)
```

Getting future entries

```
optional func getTimelineEntriesForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication,  
                                               afterDate date: NSDate,  
                                               limit limit: Int,  
                                               withHandler handler: ([CLKComplicationTimelineEntry]?) -> Void)
```

Scheduling Timeline Updates

To determine when to schedule a timeline update in the future, ClockKit calls:

```
optional func getNextRequestedUpdateDateWithHandler(_ handler: (NSDate?) -> Void)
```

Sometime after that date, ClockKit will call either:

```
optional func requestedUpdateDidBegin()
```

or, in the case of your last chance to update your timeline due to budget constraints:

```
optional func requestedUpdateBudgetExhausted()
```

If the timeline needs updating, you must call `reloadTimelineForComplication:` or `extendTimelineForComplication:` from these methods.

ClockKit will then call `getNextRequestedUpdateDateWithHandler:` and repeat.

Specifying a Placeholder Template

```
func getPlaceholderTemplateForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication,  
                                          withHandler handler: (CLKComplicationTemplate?) -> Void)
```

This template is used in the customization screen of your watch face and shows dummy data for your complication that indicates to the user what sort of data your complication conveys.

Specifying Privacy Behavior

```
optional func getPrivacyBehaviorForComplication(_ complication: CLKComplication,  
                                               withHandler handler: (CLKComplicationPrivacyBehavior) -> Void)
```

```
enum CLKComplicationPrivacyBehavior : UInt {  
    case ShowOnLockScreen  
    case HideOnLockScreen  
}
```


ClockKit Summary

CLKComplication

An opaque object representing a complication; you can query its family

CLKComplicationTemplate

The base class of the 22 specific kinds of templates

CLKTextProvider / CLKImageProvider

Wrappers around text and images that display/shorten them as appropriate for a particular complication template family

CLKComplicationTimelineEntry

Maps a date to a complication template

CLKComplicationServer

Used to extend and reload complication timelines

CLKComplicationDataSource

The data source for timeline entries