

Communications between Watch and Phone

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As an introduction...



Phone to watch

- Thanks to messages
 - ▶ Of interest to provide elements from the main app



Watch to Phone

- You may monitor your App from the Watch
 - ▶ Even if it is in background
- You use messages to exchange information
 - ▶ Serialisation possibly integrated for free



Involved classes

wCSession & wCSessionDelegate
Framework **WatchConnectivity**

WCSession

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Objectives

- Handles a session (both sides)



Principle

- Get a reference to the shared object

- ▶ **Property default**

- Checks

- ▶ **Property isPaired and isReachable**

```
class func isSupported() -> Bool
```

- Configure session

- ▶ **Set the delegate**

- Activate the session

```
func activate()
```

Exchanging messages

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Sending (WCSession)

```
func sendMessage(_ message: [String : Any],  
                 replyHandler: (([String : Any]) -> Void)?,  
                 errorHandler: ((Error) -> Void)? = nil)  
  
func sendMessageData(_ data: Data,  
                     replyHandler: ((Data) -> Void)?,  
                     errorHandler: ((Error) -> Void)? = nil)
```

Receiving messages (WCSessionDelegate)

```
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessage message: [String : Any])  
  
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessage message: [String : Any],  
            replyHandler: @escaping ([String : Any]) -> Void)  
  
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessageData messageData: Data)  
  
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessageData messageData: Data,  
            replyHandler: @escaping (Data) -> Void)
```

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Careful with dictionary

Serializable types required

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            didReceiveMessage message: [String : Any],  
            replyHandler: (([String : Any]) -> Void)?)
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func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessage message: [String : Any],  
            replyHandler: @escaping ([String : Any]) -> Void)
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func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceiveMessageData messageData: Data)
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            didReceiveMessageData messageData: Data,  
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```

WCSessionDelegate, other methods

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Handling error

```
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            activationDidCompleteWith  
                activationState: WCSessionActivationState,  
            error: Error?)
```



Handling session

```
func sessionDidBecomeInactive(_ session: WCSession)  
func sessionDidDeactivate(_ session: WCSession)  
func sessionWatchStateDidChange(_ session: WCSession)
```



Handling reachability

```
func sessionReachabilityDidChange(_ session: WCSession)
```



File transfert

```
func session(_ session: WCSession,  
            didReceive file: WCSessionFile)
```



Etc.



As a conclusion...



Useful

- Numerous use by WatchApp companions of regular Apps
 - ▶ Music players



Do not hesitate!

- But remember you have a distributed asynchronous system
 - ▶ In a nice configuration (2 hosts)

