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Introducing SiriKit Media Intents

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New SiriKit
Media Intents

Handling SiriKit
Media Requests

Best
Practices

SiriKit Media Intents

**"Tell <MyApp>
that I love pop music."**

"Play Khalid on <MyApp>."

**"Put Outer Peace on my
<MyApp> road trip playlist."**

"Find Billie Eilish on <MyApp>."



**"Play the audiobook
Becoming on <MyApp>."**

"I don't like this song."

"Add this to my library."

**"Put on the Stuff You Should
Know podcast from <MyApp>."**

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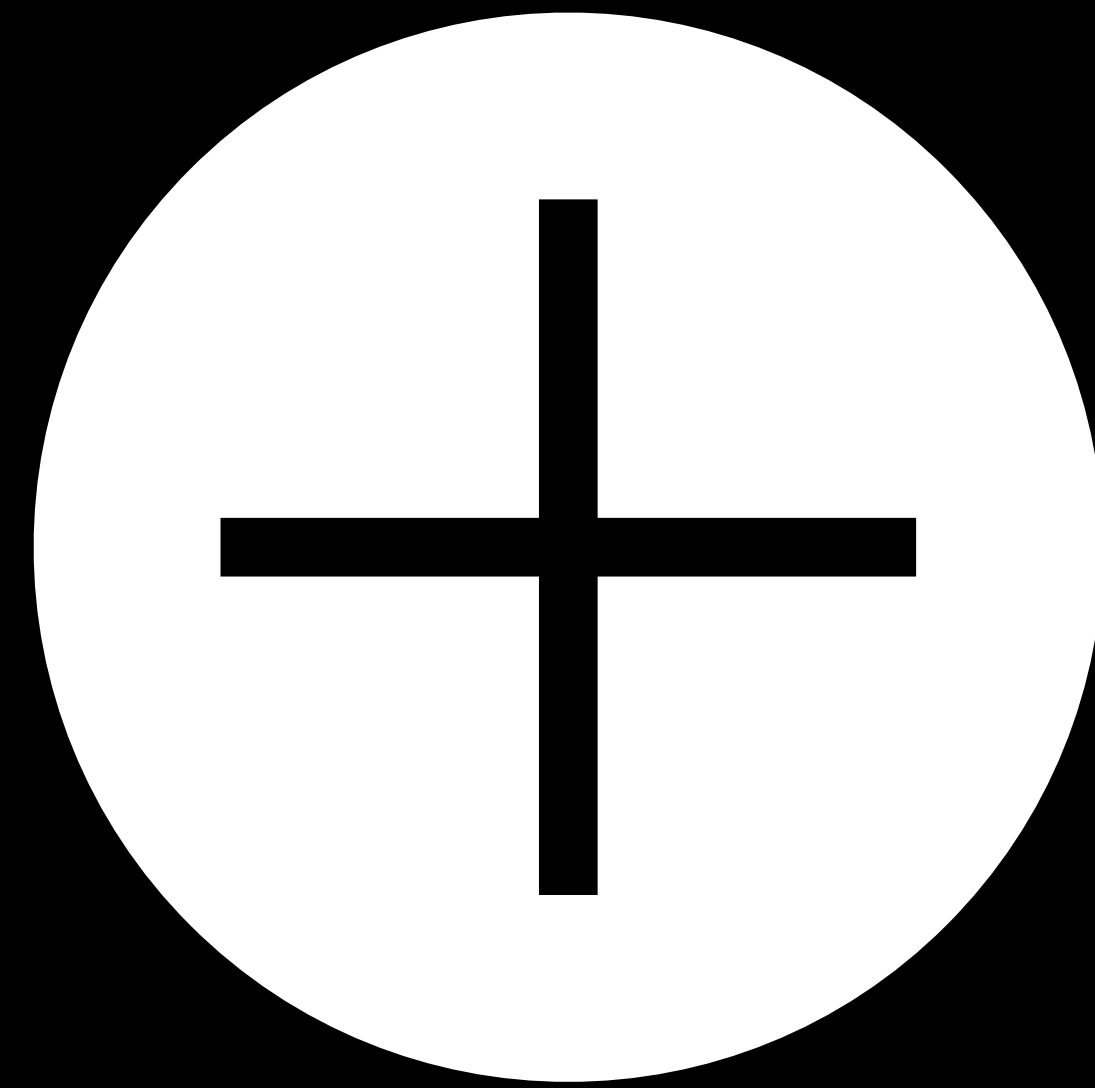
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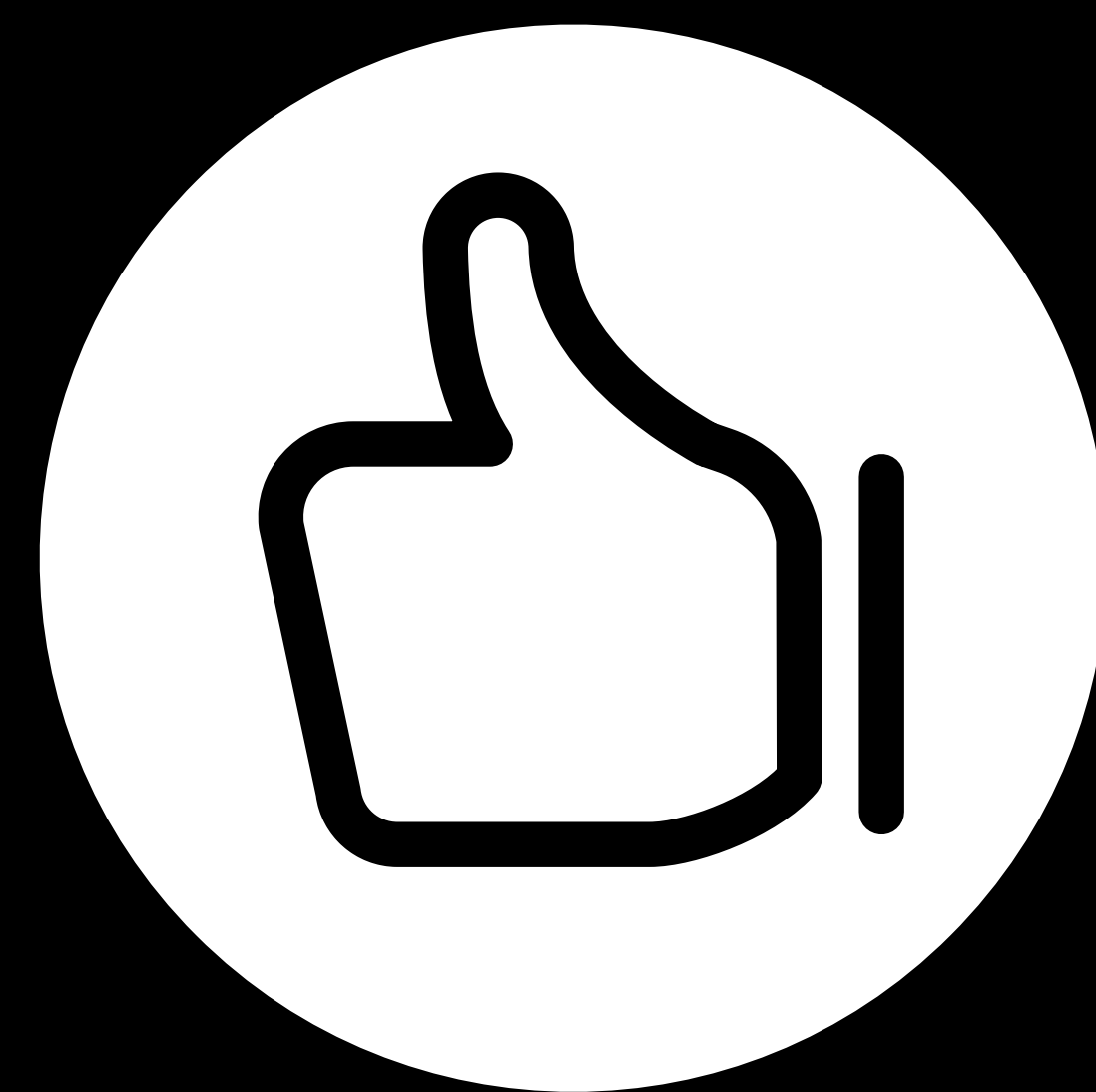
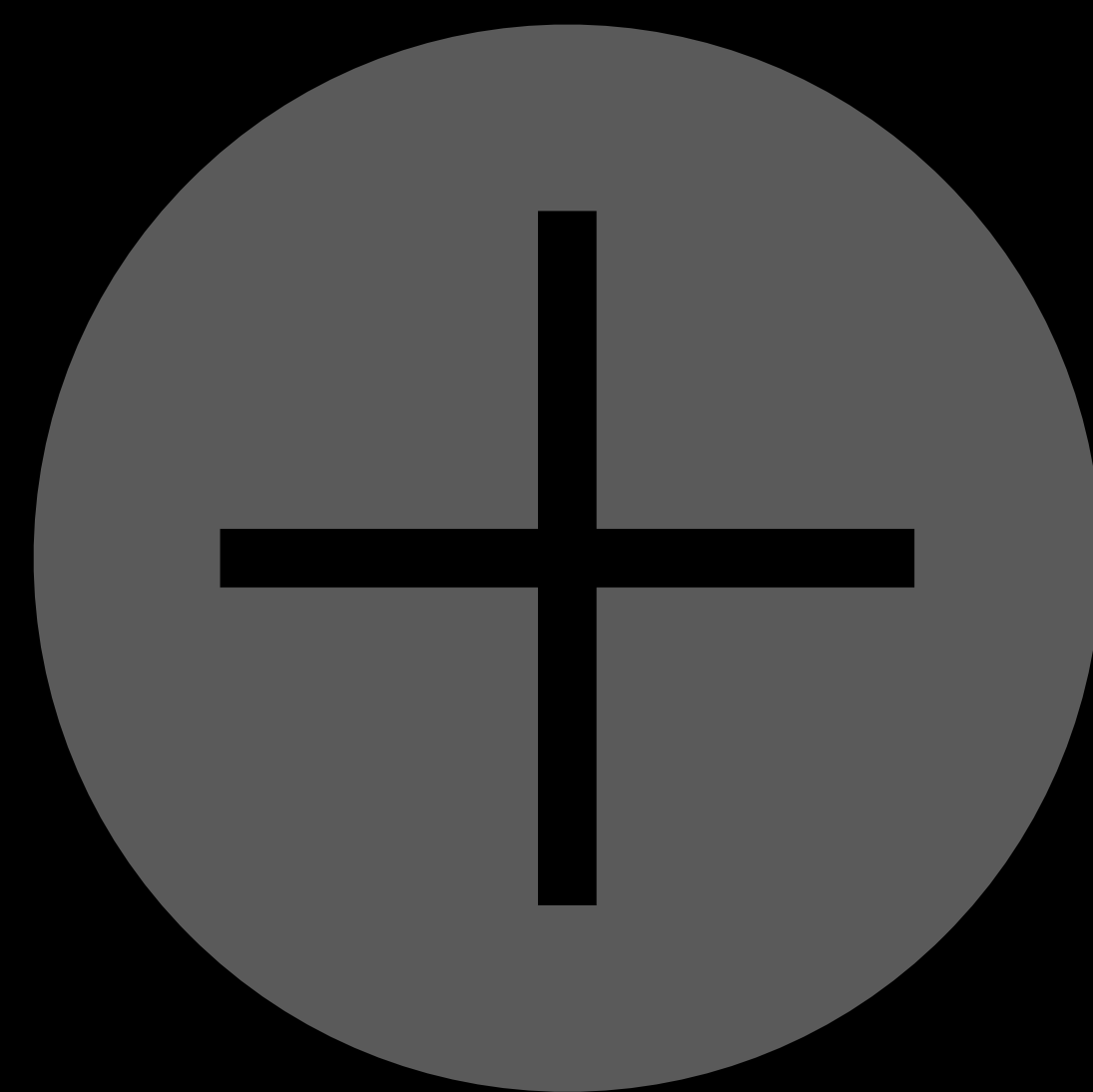
INPlayMediaIntent

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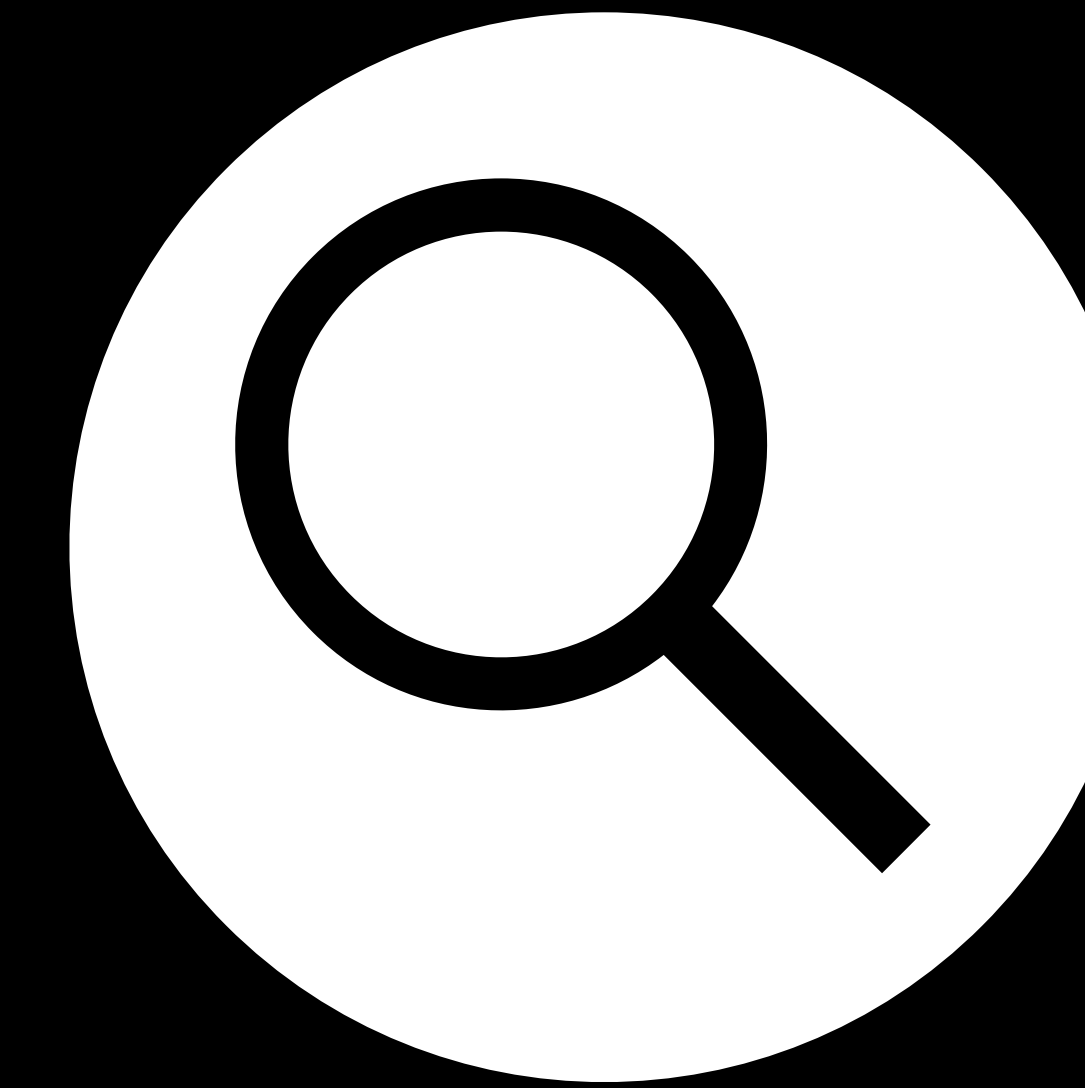
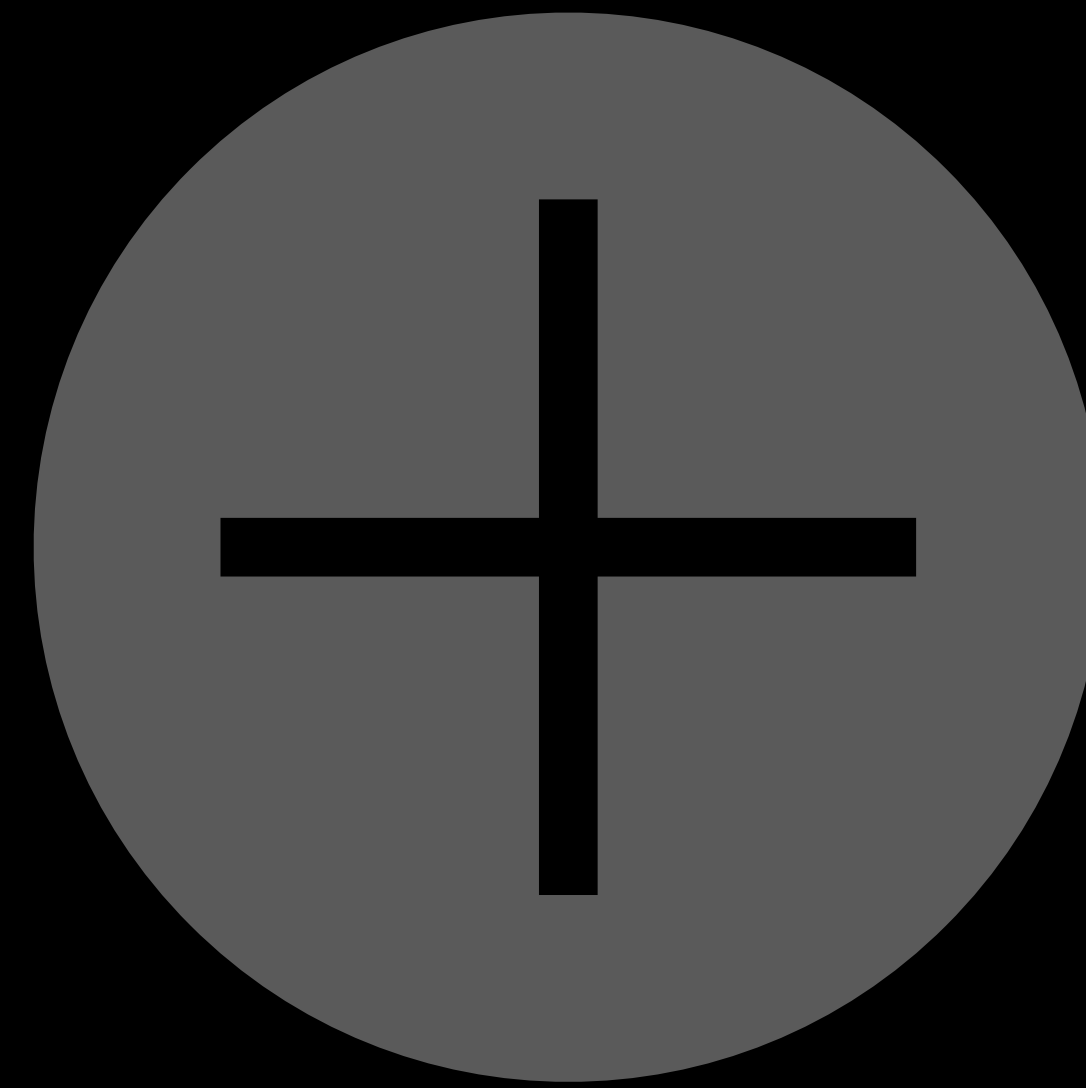
INAddMediaIntent

NEW



INUpdateMediaAffinityIntent

NEW



INSearchForMediaIntent

Music

Supported media types

“Play the song AwesomeSong in <MyApp>”

- Also — albums, artists, playlists, genres, and more!
- See `INMediaSearch` for full details

Playback controls



Podcasts

Supported media types

**"Put on the Stuff You Should Know
podcast from <MyApp>"**

Playback

- Order
- Speed



Audiobooks

Supported media types

"Play the audiobook Becoming in <MyApp>"

Playback speed



Radio

Supported media types

"Play 89.1 FM in <MyApp>"



General

Supported media types

"Play <search term> in <MyApp>"

Your app is still supported

Only caveat is that your search queries are untyped

- Siri won't understand the nuances of your app content types

SiriKit Request Processing

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SiriKit Media Intents behave like a regular SiriKit domain

All request processing is done in your Intents app extension

Making Great SiriKit Experiences

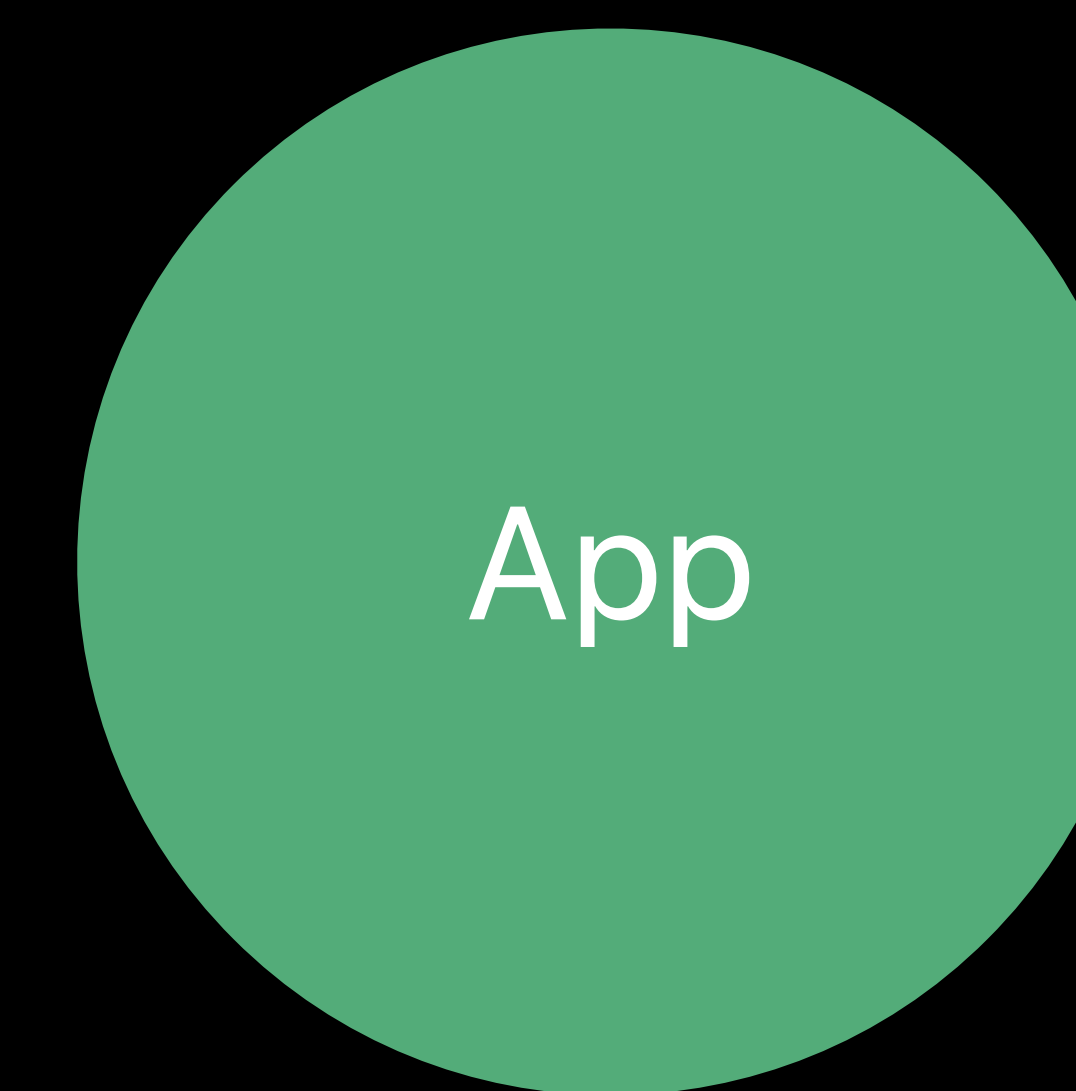
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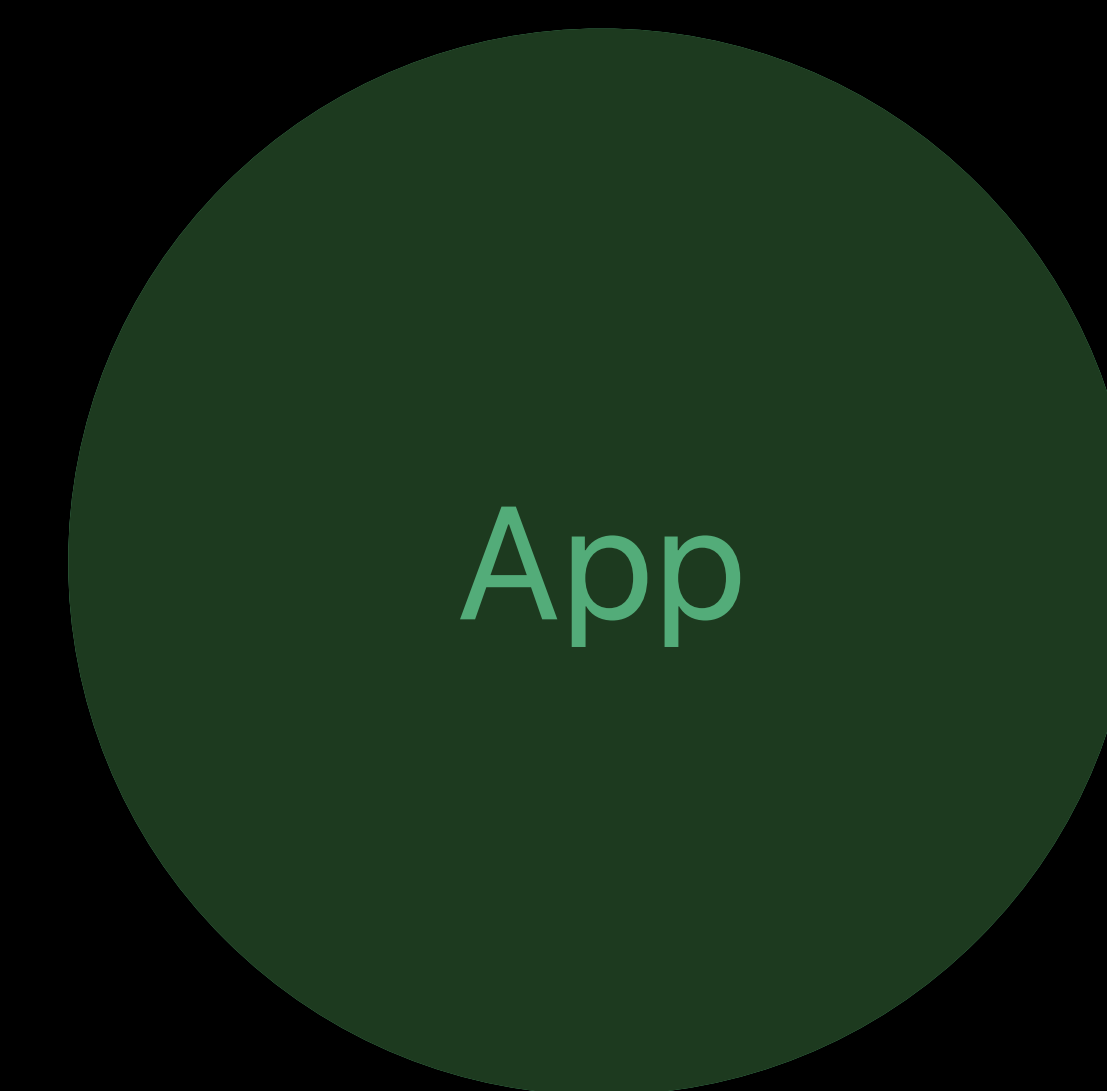


Background App Launch



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    if let playMediaIntent = intent as? INPlayMediaIntent {
        if let mediaItems = playMediaIntent.mediaItems {
            let mediaItemToPlay = mediaItems.first
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            beginPlayback(mediaItemToPlay)
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Demo

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Demo Summary

Add your intents extension to your app

Specify supported intents and media types

Implement resolve, handle for `INPlayMediaIntent` and `INAddMediaIntent`

Best Practices

Adding SiriKit Support to Shortcuts

Handle and background app launch are the same

Need to add resolve methods

Update intents extension with supported media types

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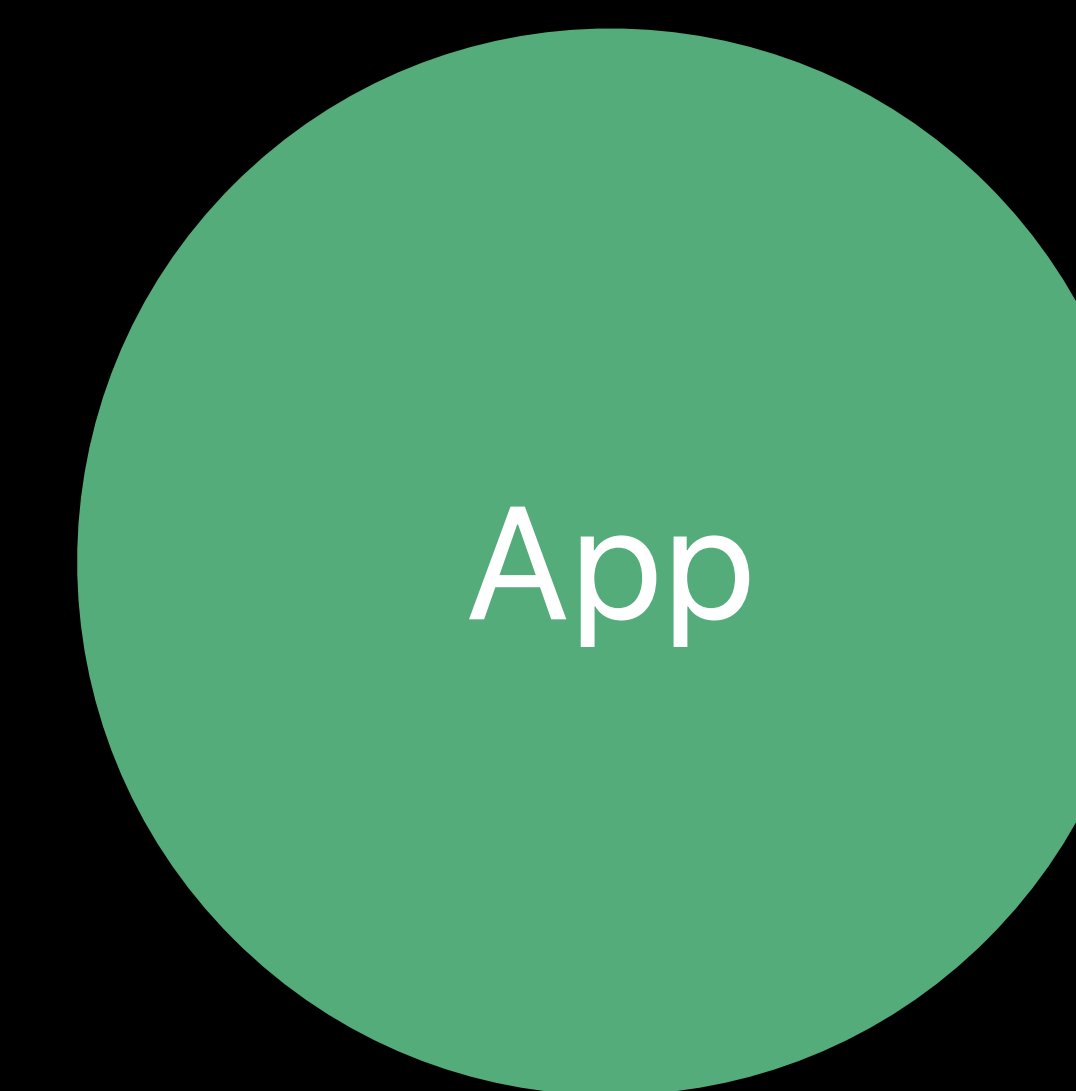
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Best Practices for Apple Watch

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Prefer on-device cache in your resolve method

Writing an Effective Search Method in Resolve

"Play AwesomeSong in <MyApp>"

We know we will compare against the `IN*MediaIntent.mediaSearch.mediaName`

What are some common edge cases we need to consider?

Writing an Effective Search Method in Resolve

Things to ignore

- Case, Punctuation
- These should resolve the same
 - **"Play hello in <MyApp>"**
 - **"Play HELLO in <MyApp>"**
 - **"Play HELLO! in <MyApp>"**

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"Play The Stuff You Should Know Podcast in <MyApp>"

```
{  
  "mediaName" : "Stuff You Should Know",  
  "mediaType" : INMediaItemTypePodcast  
}
```

Some podcasts also have "audio" or "video" in the title

Writing an Effective Search Method in Resolve

Word formatting variations

- **"Play the song eighty-first in <MyApp>"**
- **"Play the song 81st in <MyApp>"**

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Siri will attempt to match the entity name, but search flexibility is best

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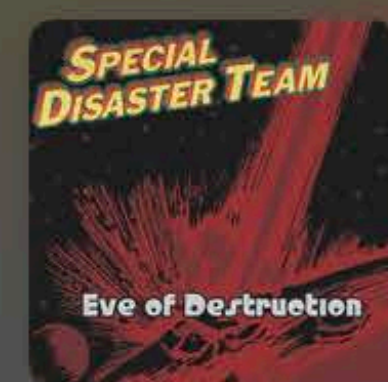


Play the song Maybe Sometime
by Special Disaster Team in
ControlAudio

**Here's 'Maybe Sometime' by
Special Disaster Team from
ControlAudio.**



CONTROLAUDIO



iPhone

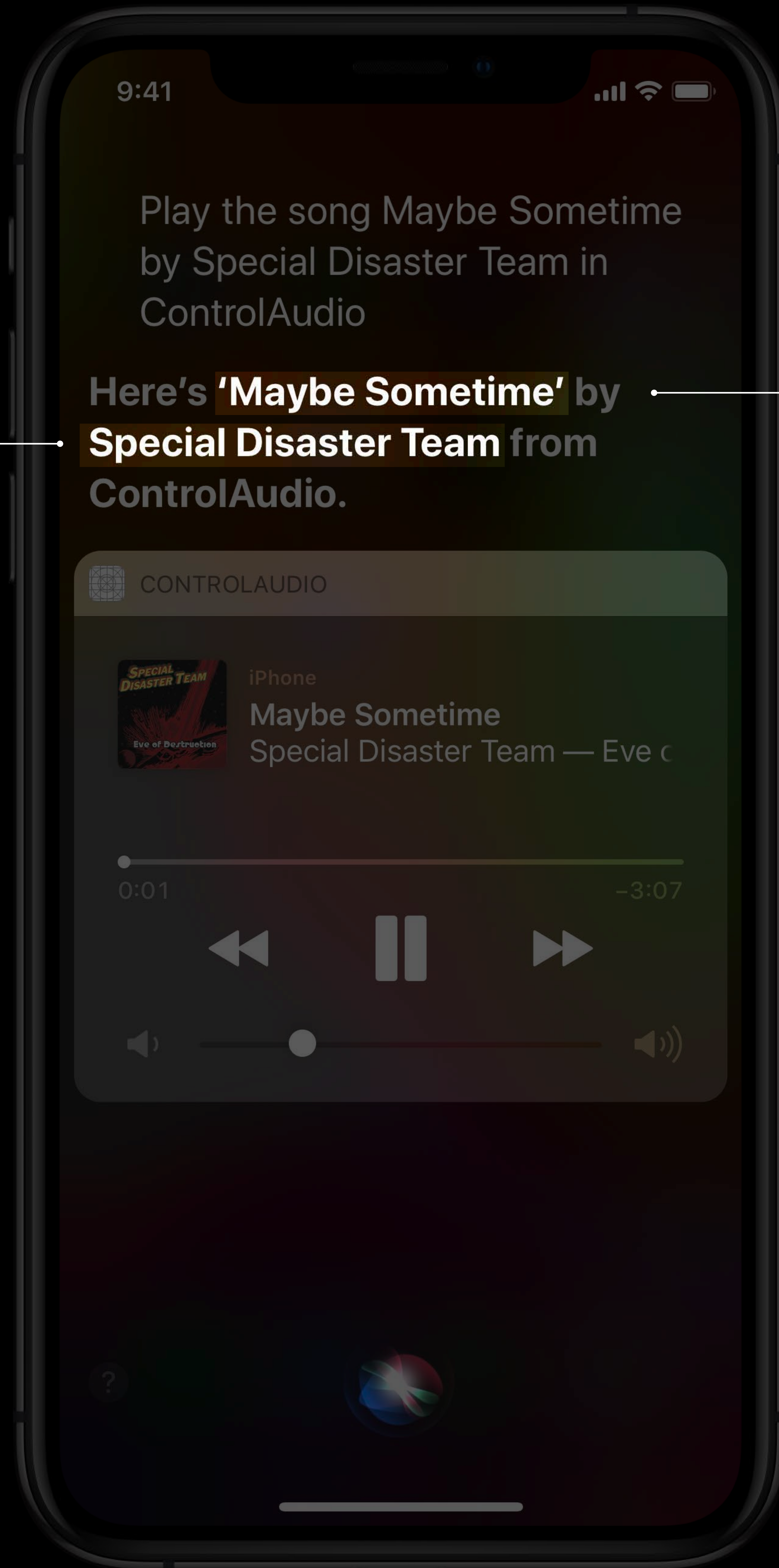
Maybe Sometime

Special Disaster Team — Eve c

0:01

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`INMediaItem.artist`



`INMediaItem.title`



Errors

Handling errors gracefully provides a nicer experience

The most common error case is not found

```
INPlayMediaMediaItemResolutionResult(INMediaItemResolutionResult.unsupported())
```

Many additional error cases trigger different dialogs

Full list in `INPlayMediaMediaItemUnsupportedReason`

Things People Can Say to Siri

Embracing Uncertainty

Unqualified playback

"Play <MyApp>"



Choose something interesting to play

An interesting playlist, recommendation

Resume the queue

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Ask what they want to play

Playback Options

Repeat

- **"Play <SongName> on repeat in <MyApp>"**

Shuffle

- **"Play <PlaylistName> on shuffle in <MyApp>"**

Resume

- **"Resume <PodcastTitle> at double speed in <MyApp>"**

Playback queue location

- **"Play <ArtistName> in <MyApp> next|later"**

Search Options

Sorted playback `(INMediaSortOrder)`

- **"Play the new <PodcastTitle> podcast in <MyApp>"**
- **"Play the best <ArtistName> album in <MyApp>"**
- **"Play me something good in <MyApp>"**

Search Options

Searching by currently playing `(INMediaReferenceCurrentlyPlaying)`

- **"Add this song to my library"**
- **"I love this song"**

May also contain `MPNowPlayingInfoPropertyExternalContentIdentifier` from `MPNowPlayingInfoCenter`

Telling Siri About Your Customer

Vocabulary

User vocabulary helps
Siri recognize important
named entities

Only populate entities specific to your customer

- Not your entire catalog

Different types available

- PlaylistTitle, MusicArtistName, AudiobookTitle,
AudiobookAuthor, ShowTitle

Global vocabulary is appropriate
for global app terms

Summary

New SiriKit media intents for audio

Build the best Siri experience

Help Siri to know your user

More Information

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SiriKit, Shortcuts, and Siri Event Suggestions Lab

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SiriKit and Shortcuts Lab

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