Developing Applications for iOS

Lab 5:
Nearby Deals (1 of 6)

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Nearby Deals

Description:

We are going to build a new application that will show deals from nearby restaurants and bars. The application will display the deals in two modes: a list view (using a `UITableViewController`) and a map view (using a `MKMapView`). We will request the deals from a server (www.geoadsplus.com to be more precise). We will use XML to communicate with this server. Note that XML and JSON are standard ways of communicating with a server.

We have to pass the device location (latitude, longitude) to the server so that it gives us nearby deals. Thus, we will need to use Location Services to determine the device location.

We will offer details about our deals. We are going to use a navigation controller to navigate between the list View and the details View.

The following screenshots are just a mock-up of the application that we are going to start building today. We will continue this app during the next 5 labs.

Nearby Deals

Task 1

Task: Create a new application in Xcode called “NearbyDeals”.

1. Launch Xcode and select the “Create a new Xcode project” option. If you don't see the splash window, you should go to “File > New > New Project...” in Xcode menu.

2. Select the Single View Application template and click Next.

We are actually going to build a Tabbed Application (using a `UITabBarController`) as you can see on the previous slide, but we are going to do it from scratch so that you can learn how to create complex Storyboards yourself.

3. Type in “NearbyDeals” for the Product Name.

4. Enter “com.FMI.FirstName.LastName” for the Company Identifier. Notice how Bundle Identifier changes as you type. You should obtain something like “com.FMI.Radu.Ionescu.Calculator” as your bundle identifier.

5. Enter “NearbyDeals” as the Class Prefix for the classes this template is going to generate for us.

Task 1

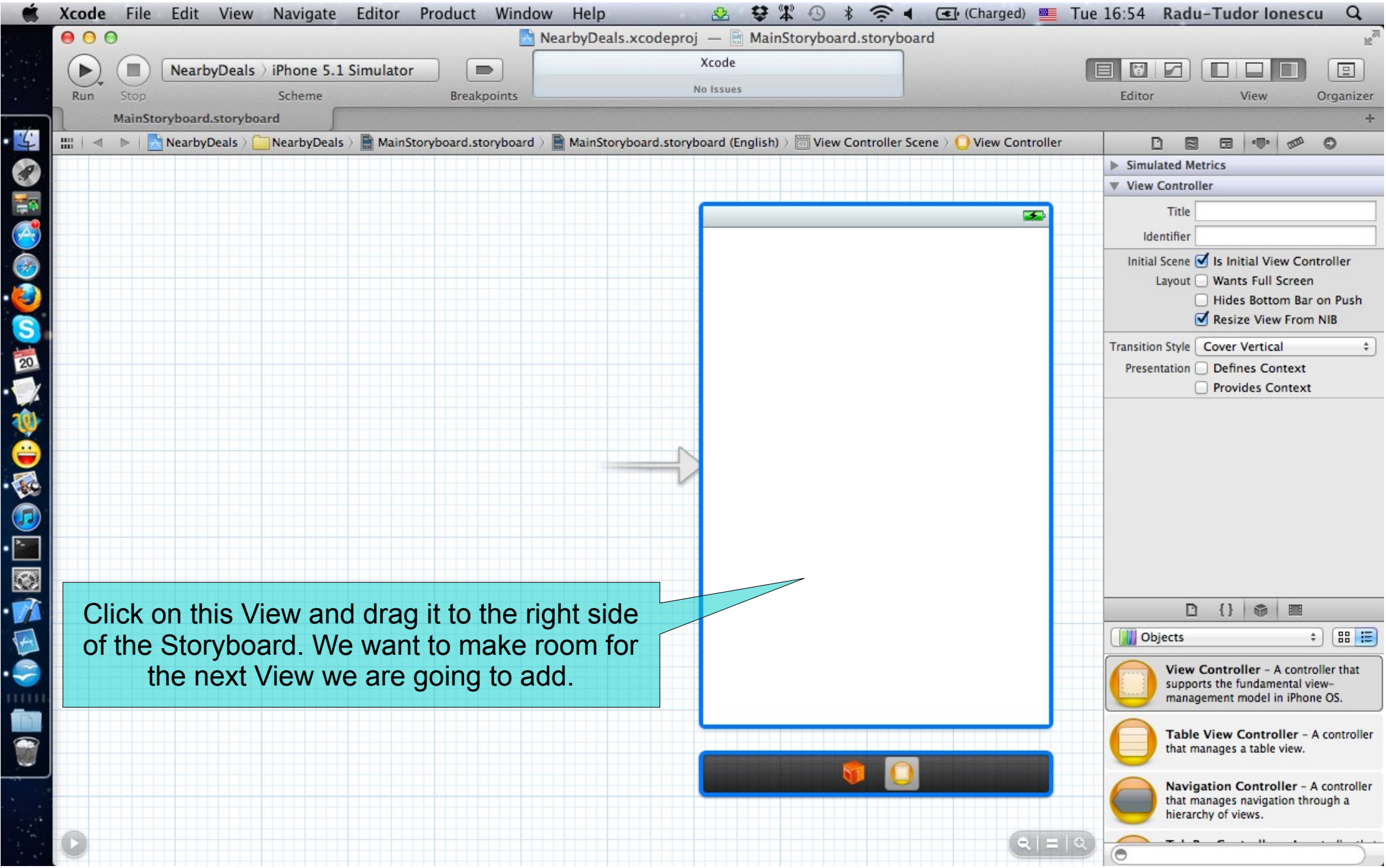
Task: Create a new application in Xcode called “NearbyDeals”.

6. Select “iPhone” for Device Family.
7. Check “Use Storyboard”. We definitely want to use Storyboards for this app that will contain more Views. We will segue from one View to another using Storyboards.
8. Check “Use Automatic Reference Counting”.
9. We won't be creating Unit Tests for this application so we are going to leave the “Include Unit Tests” option unchecked.
10. Click Next.
11. Navigate to “~/Developer/Apps/” folder inside the home directory. If you want to keep your project for later use, please save it in a directory with your name like this: “~/Developer/Apps/<YourName>”.
12. Click Create to create your project directory inside the “~/Developer/Apps” folder.

Task 2

Task: Start building the app by creating its Storyboard.

1. Open up our MVC's View by clicking on MainStoryboard.storyboard in Project Navigator.
2. Hide the Document Outline if it's not already hidden.
3. We don’t need the Project Navigator at the far left either, so let’s hide it by using the “Hide or show the Navigator” button available on the Toolbar.
4. Bring up the Utilities area by clicking on the “Hide or show the Utilities” button that is also available on the Toolbar.
5. In Utilities area, click on the Object Library (it might already be selected). Some objects (those appropriate to dragging into your View) should appear in the Object Library.
6. Your Xcode project should be set up as in the next screenshot. We are now ready to create the Storyboard.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No Issues
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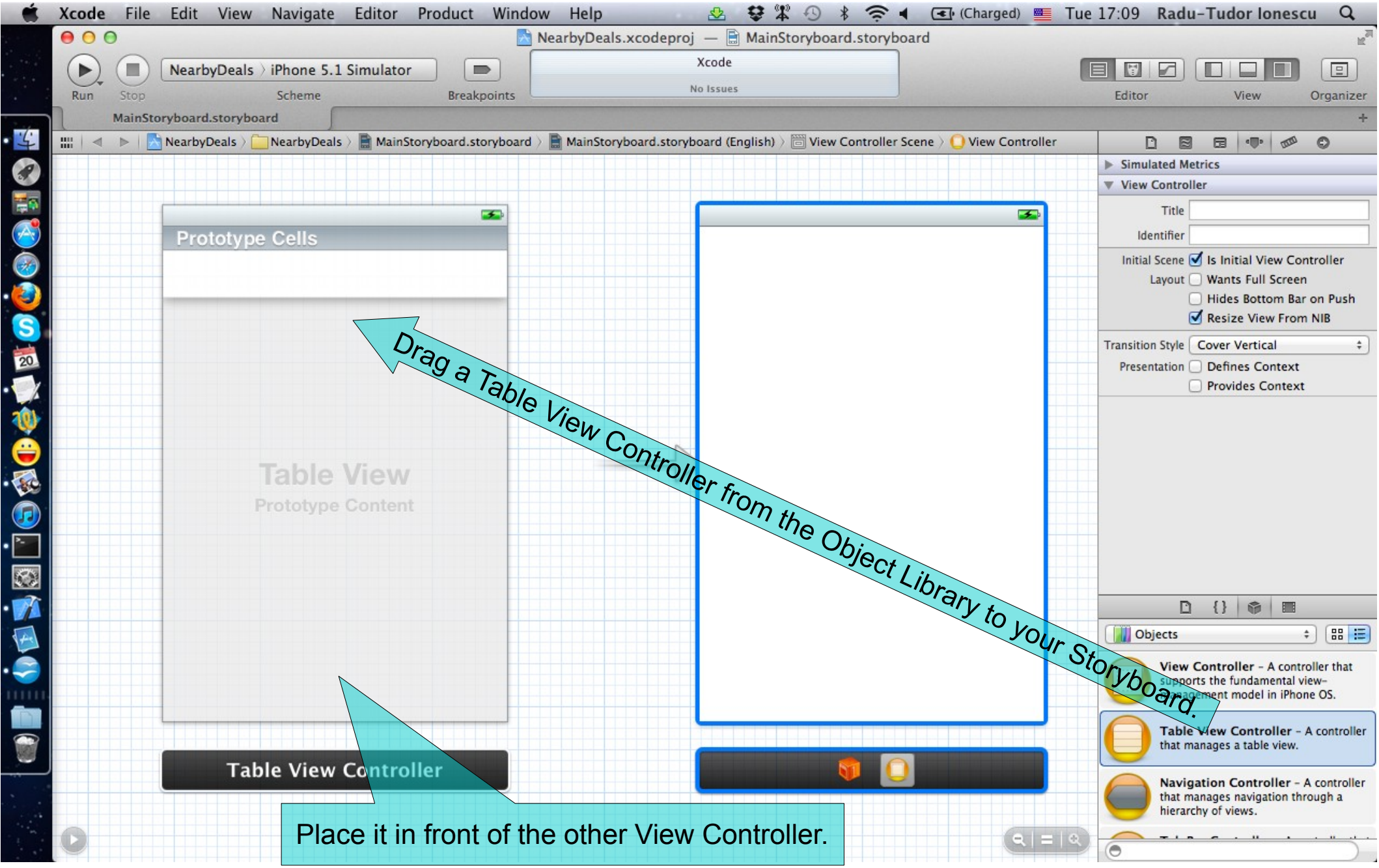
View Controller
Title
Identifier
Initial Scene Is Initial View Controller
Layout Wants Full Screen
Hides Bottom Bar on Push
Resize View From NIB
Transition Style Cover Vertical
Presentation Defines Context
Provides Context
Objects
View Controller – A controller that supports the fundamental view-management model in iPhone OS.
Table View Controller – A controller that manages a table view.
Navigation Controller – A controller that manages navigation through a hierarchy of views.
Click on this View and drag it to the right side of the Storyboard. We want to make room for the next View we are going to add.

Task 2

Task: Start building the app by creating its Storyboard.

7. We are going to add a Table View Controller to our Storyboard that will contain the list of nearby deals. The current View Controller will be used to present deal details. We are going to create a segue from the Table View Controller to this View Controller.

Follow the instructions from the next slides to learn how to do this.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NearbyDeals NearbyDeals MainStoryboard.storyboard MainStoryboard.storyboard (English) View Controller Scene View Controller
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
Drag a Table View Controller from the Object Library to your Storyboard.
Place it in front of the other View Controller.
Simulated Metrics
View Controller
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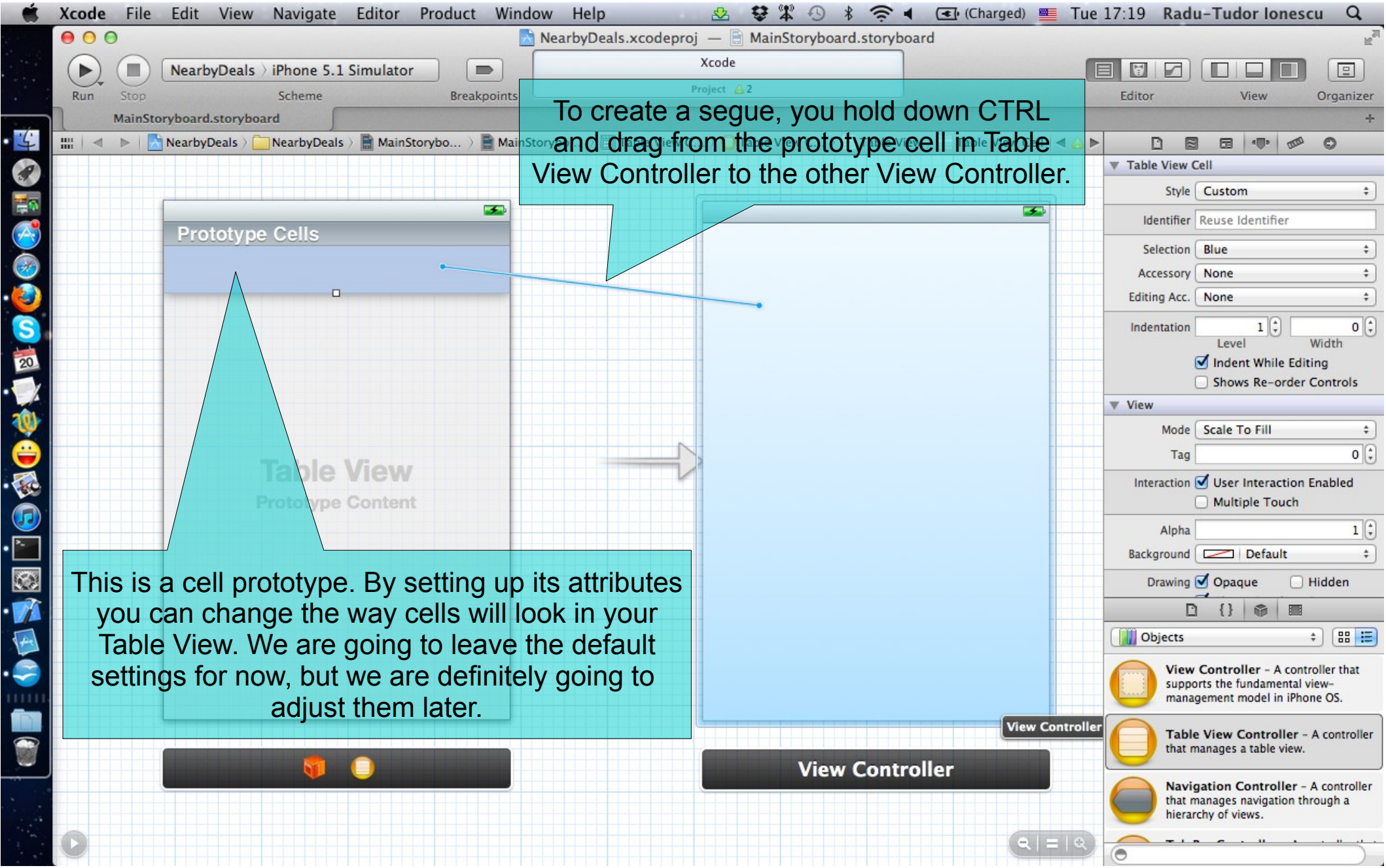
To create a segue, you hold down CTRL and drag from the prototype cell in Table View Controller to the other View Controller.
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
This is a cell prototype. By setting up its attributes you can change the way cells will look in your Table View. We are going to leave the default settings for now, but we are definitely going to adjust them later.
View Controller
View Controller
Table View Cell
Style Custom
Identifier Reuse Identifier
Selection Blue
Accessory None
Editing Acc. None
Indentation 1 Level 0 Width
Indent While Editing
Shows Re-order Controls
View
Mode Scale To Fill
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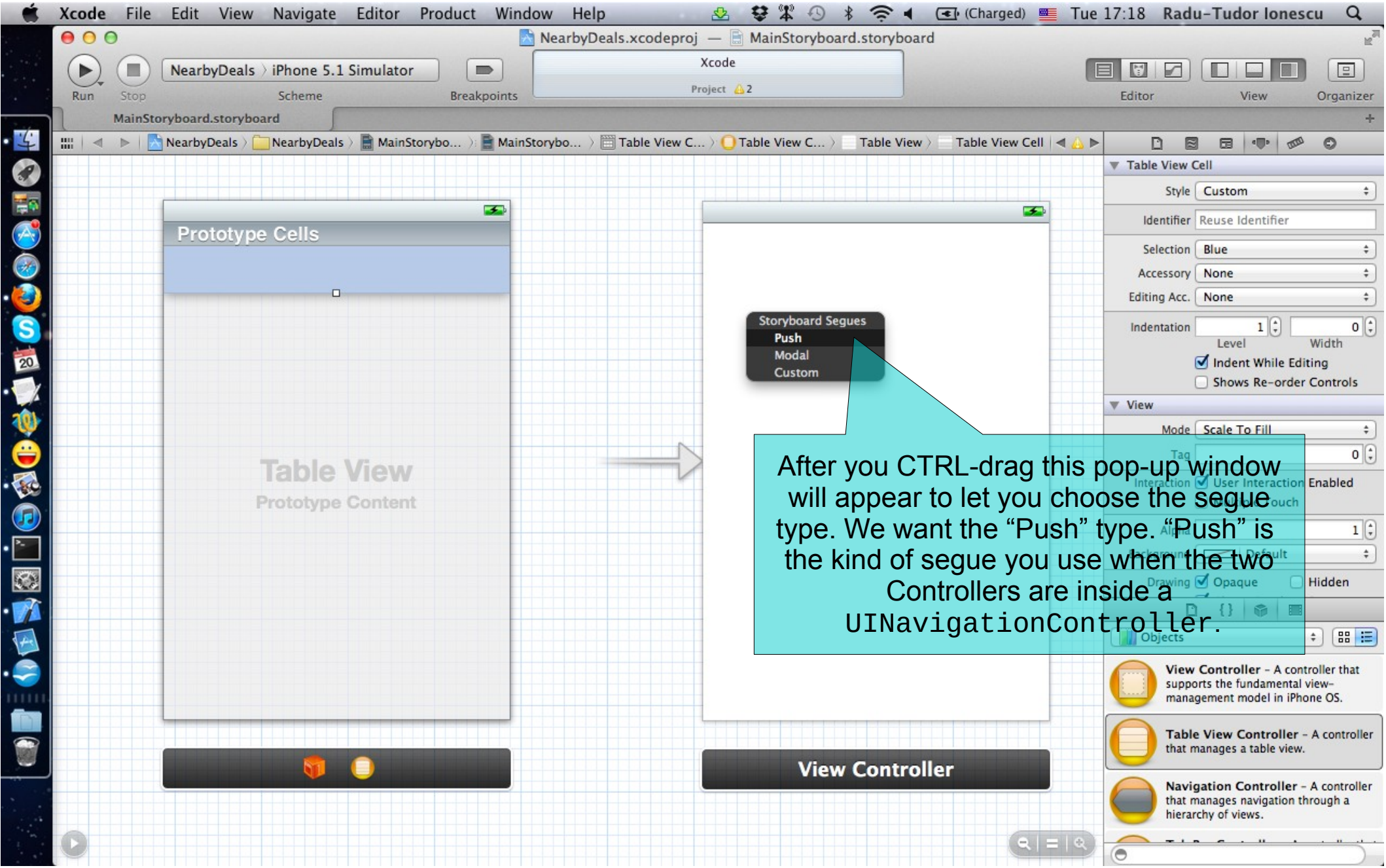
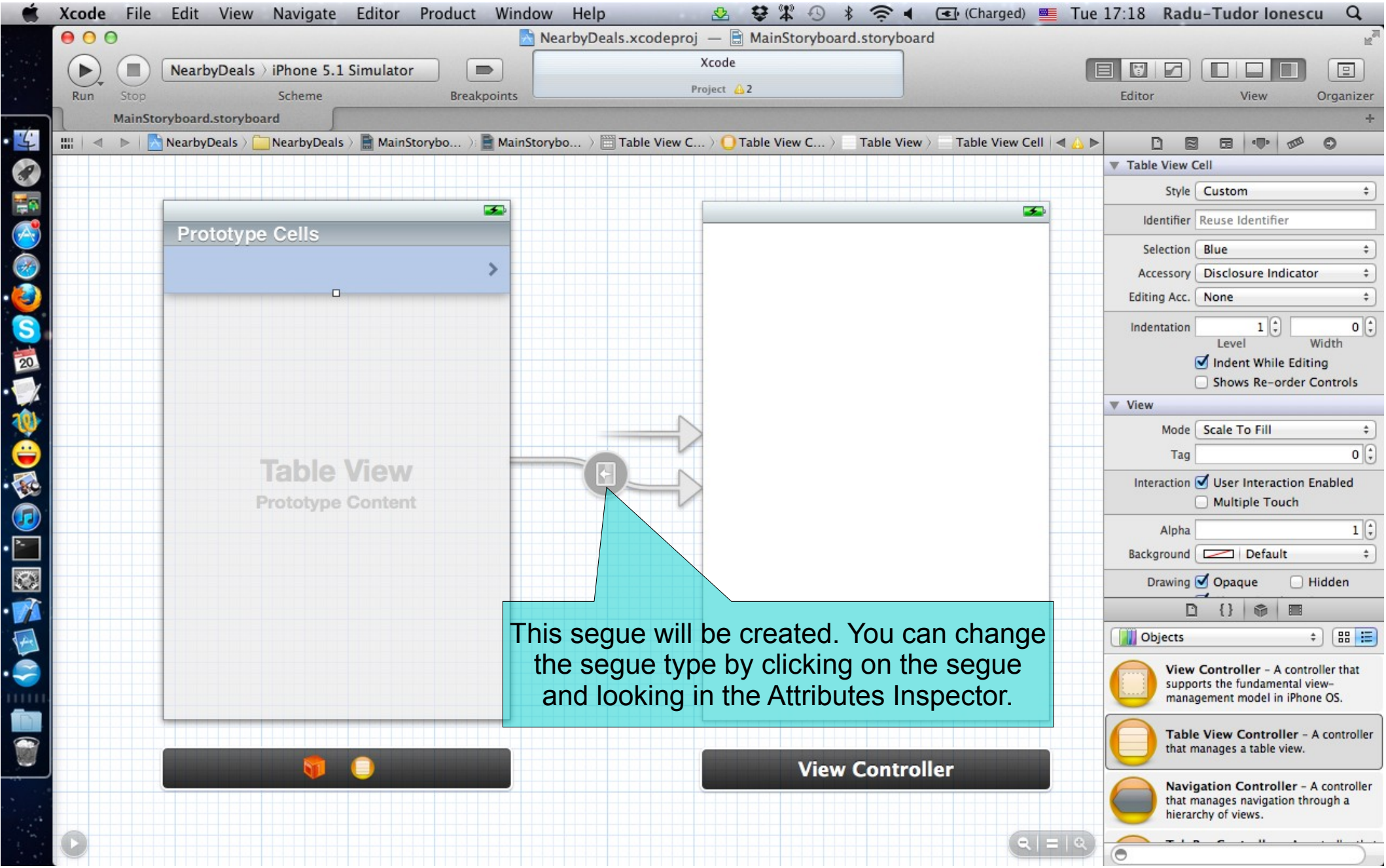

Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Storyboard Segues
Push
Modal
Custom
View Controller
After you CTRL-drag this pop-up window will appear to let you choose the segue type. We want the “Push” type. “Push” is the kind of segue you use when the two Controllers are inside a UINavigationController.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Xcode
Project 2
Editor View Organizer
MainStoryboard.storyboard
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
This segue will be created. You can change the segue type by clicking on the segue and looking in the Attributes Inspector.
View Controller
Table View Cell
Style Custom
Identifier Reuse Identifier
Selection Blue
Accessory Disclosure Indicator
Editing Acc. None
Indentation Level Width
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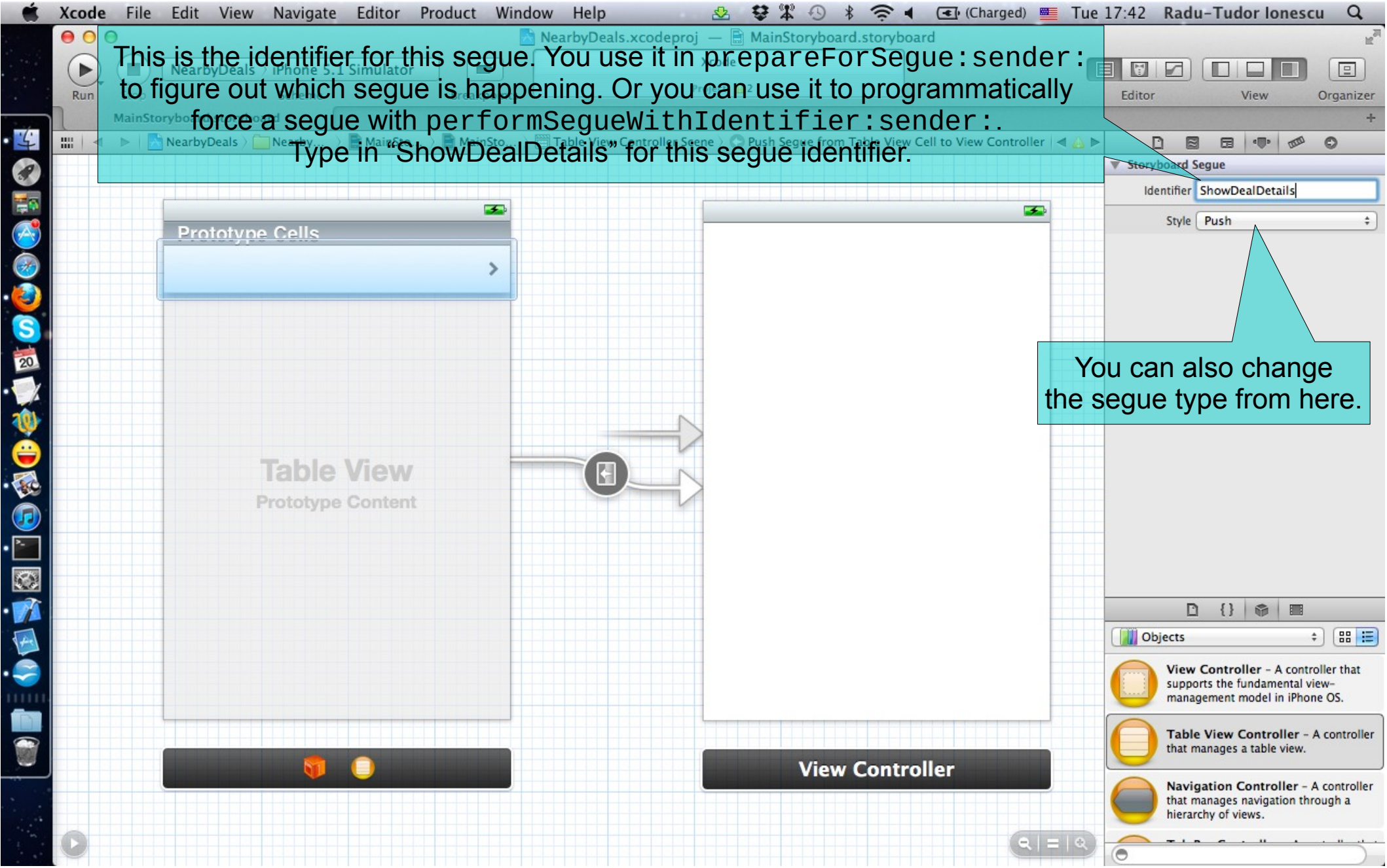
This is the identifier for this segue. You use it in prepareForSegue:sender: to figure out which segue is happening. Or you can use it to programmatically force a segue with performSegueWithIdentifier:sender:.
Type in "ShowDealDetails" for this segue identifier.
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
View Controller
Storyboard Segue
Identifier ShowDealDetails
Style Push
You can also change the segue type from here.
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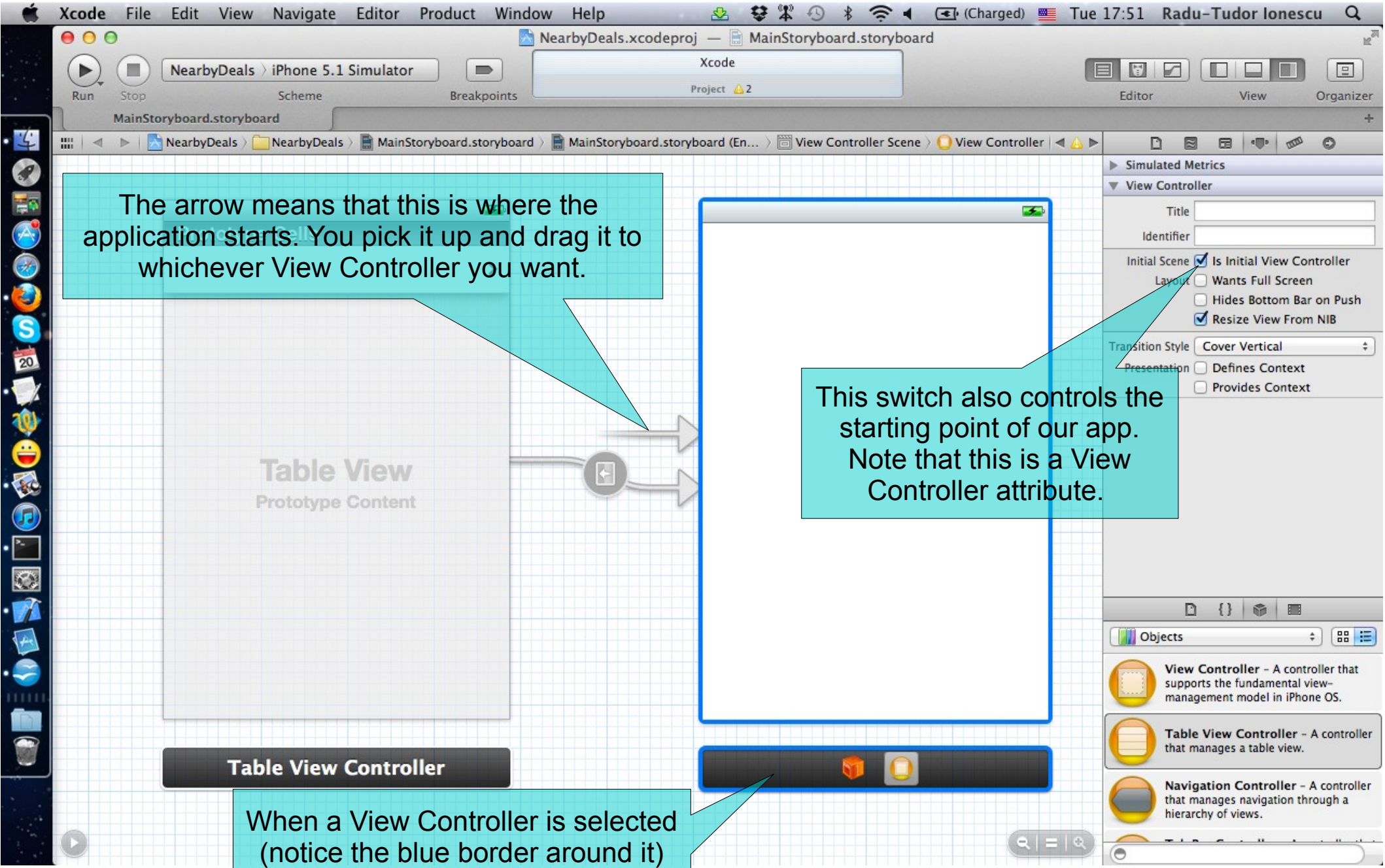
The arrow means that this is where the application starts. You pick it up and drag it to whichever View Controller you want.
This switch also controls the starting point of our app. Note that this is a View Controller attribute.
When a View Controller is selected (notice the blue border around it) its attributes show up in Attributes Inspector.
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
Simulated Metrics
View Controller
Title
Identifier
Initial Scene
Is Initial View Controller
Wants Full Screen
Hides Bottom Bar on Push
Resize View From NIB
Transition Style
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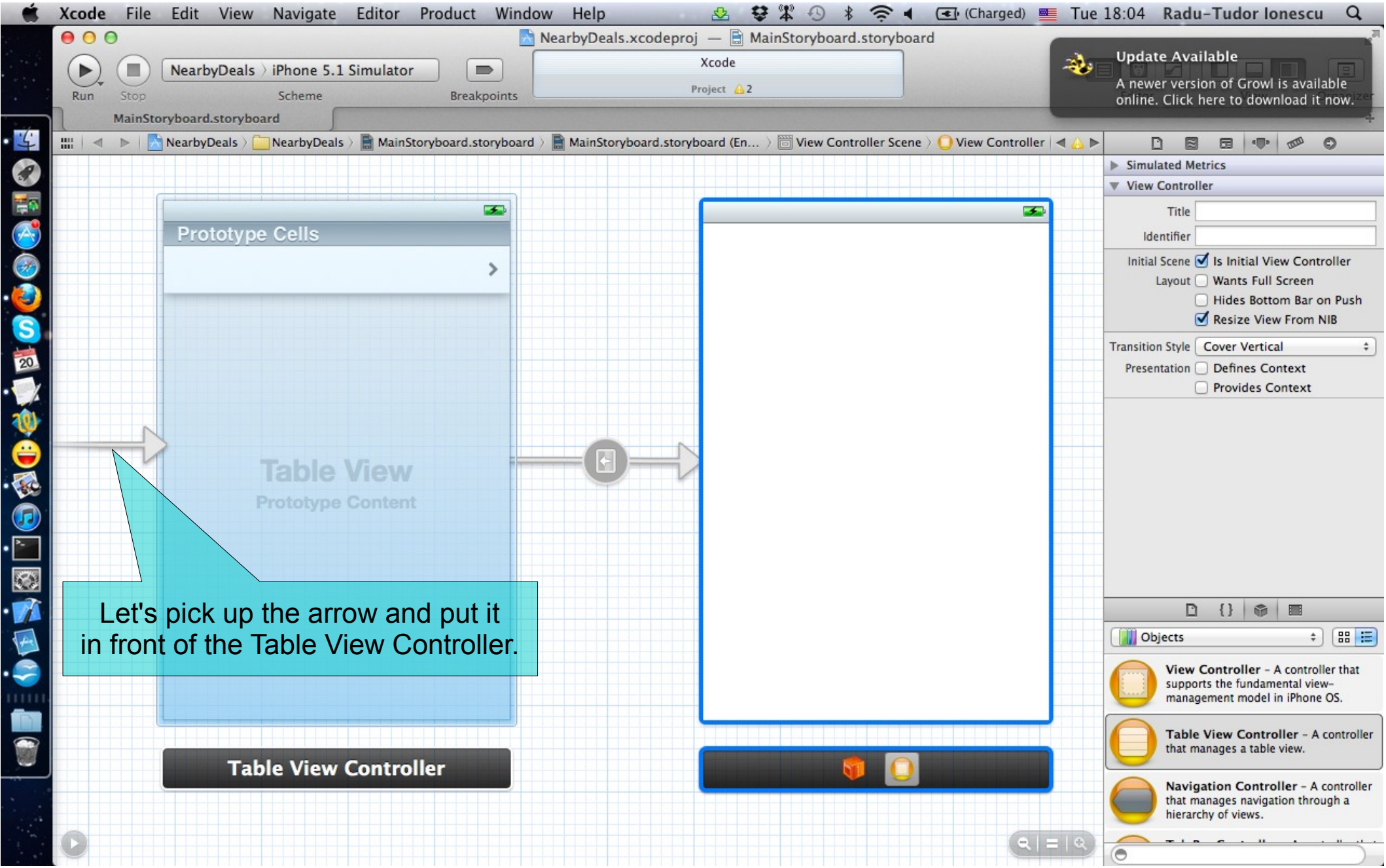
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Run Stop Scheme Breakpoints
NearbyDeals iPhone 5.1 Simulator
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Project 2
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A newer version of Growl is available online. Click here to download it now.
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Prototype Cells
Table View
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Table View Controller
Let's pick up the arrow and put it in front of the Table View Controller.
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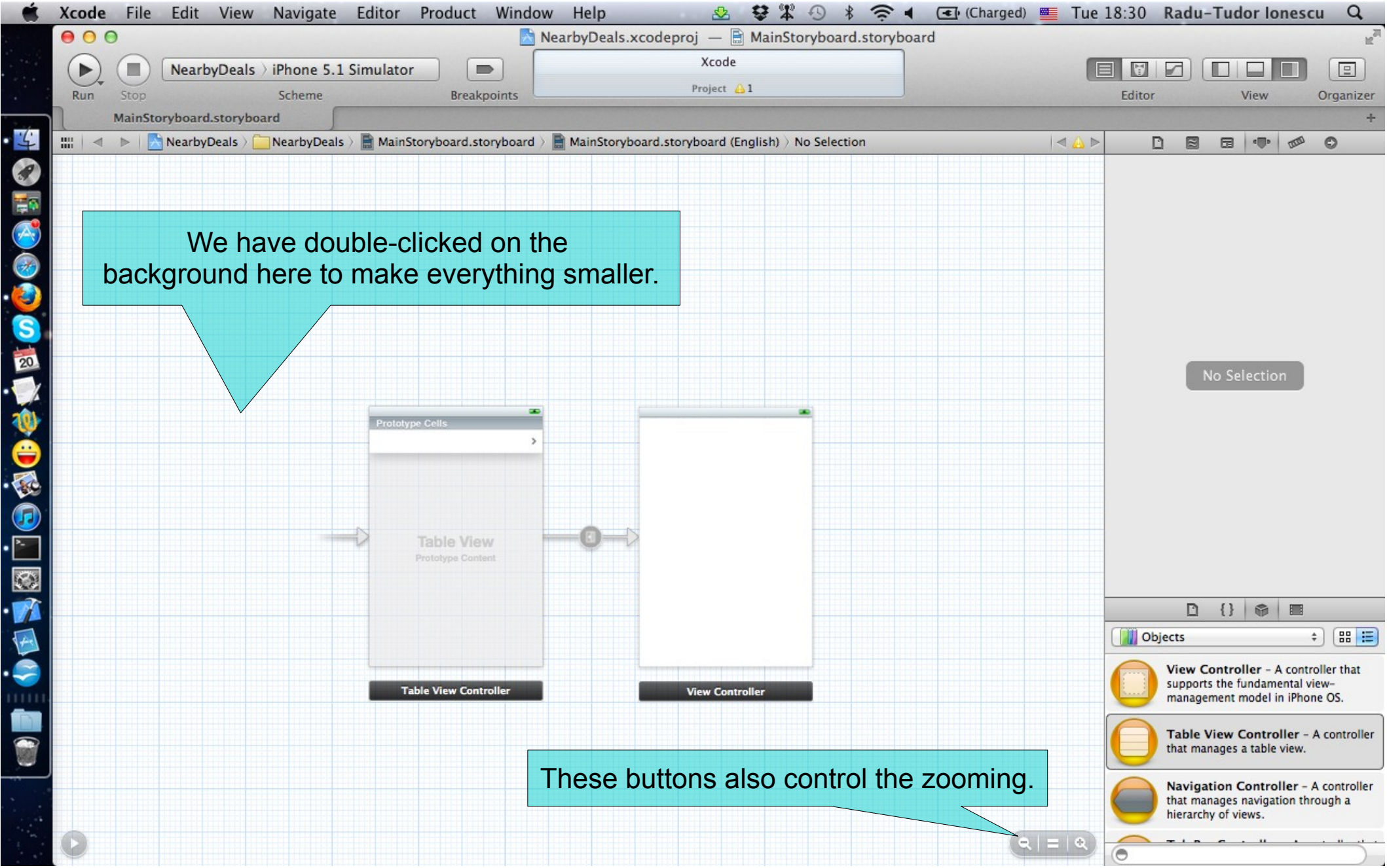
8. We have created our first segue but there is a problem here. These View Controllers are not inside a `UINavigationController`. Push will do nothing in this case.

We have to embed our View Controllers inside a Navigation Controller. Follow the instructions from the next slides to learn how to do this step.


We have double-clicked on the background here to make everything smaller.
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
View Controller
No Selection
Objects
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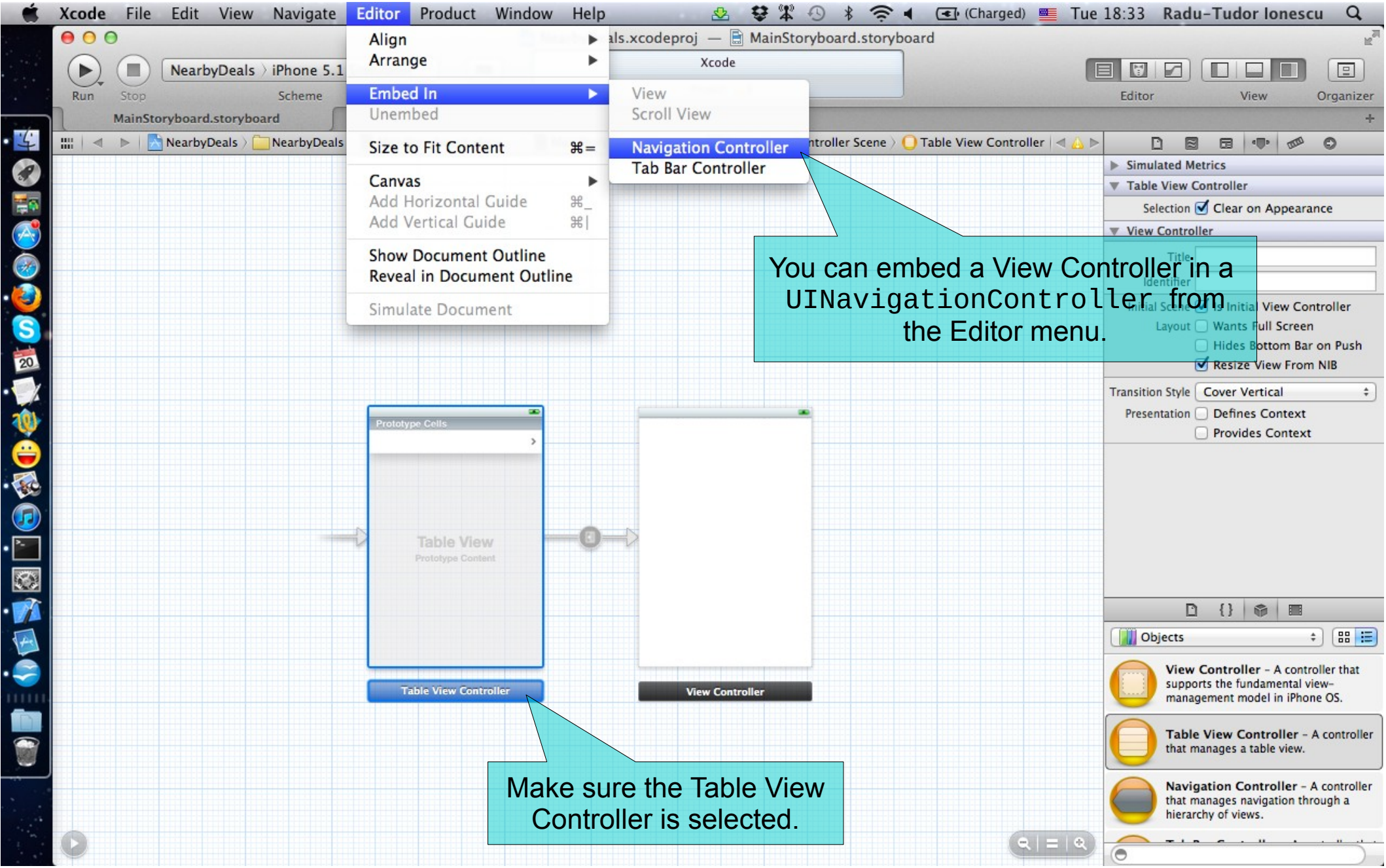
These buttons also control the zooming.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Add Vertical Guide ⌘|
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Simulate Document
View
Scroll View
Navigation Controller
Tab Bar Controller
You can embed a View Controller in a UINavigationController from the Editor menu.
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
View Controller
Make sure the Table View Controller is selected.
Simulated Metrics
Table View Controller
Selection Clear on Appearance
View Controller
Is Initial View Controller
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Resize View From NIB
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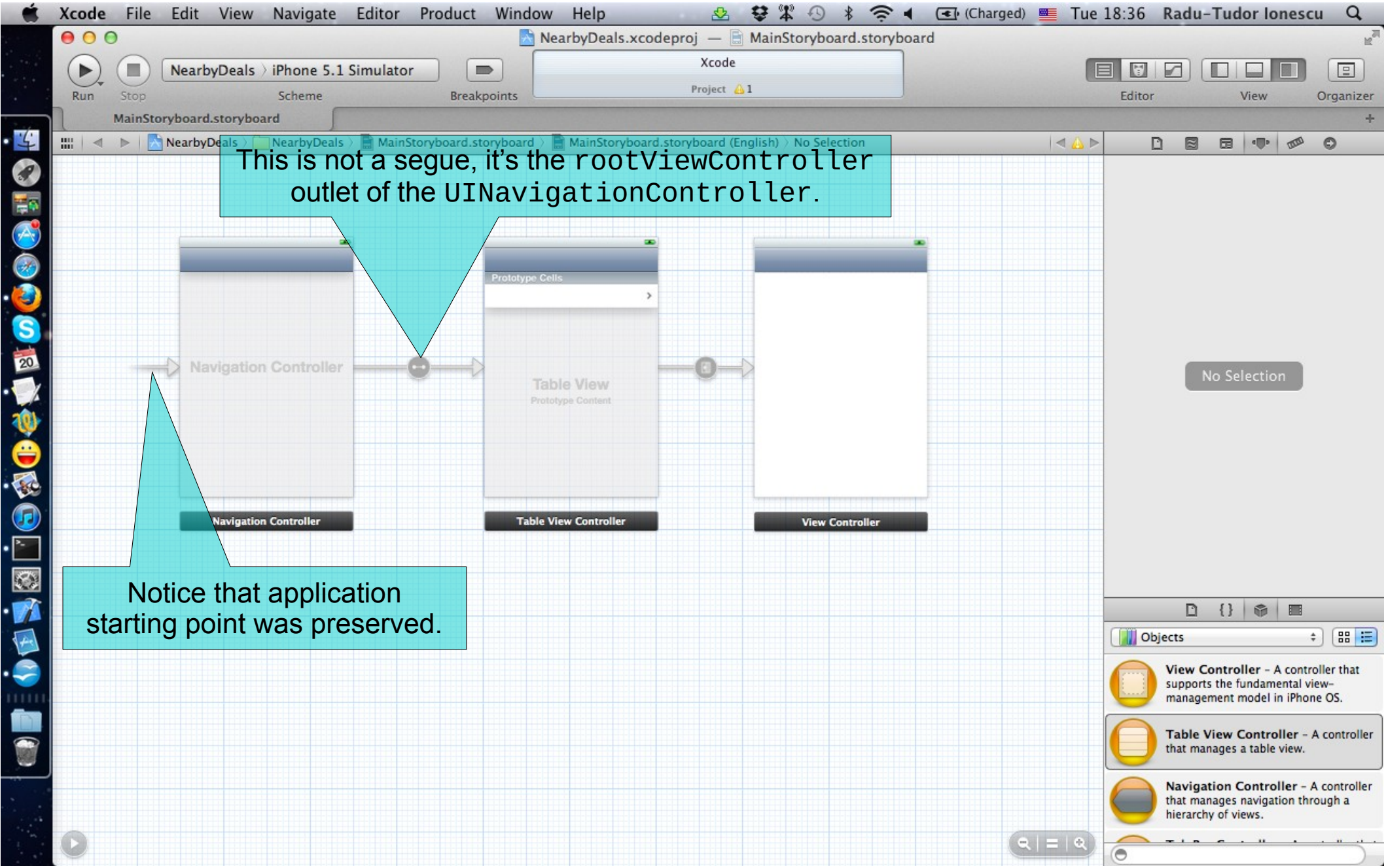
This is not a segue, it's the rootViewController outlet of the UINavigationController.
Navigation Controller
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Navigation Controller
Table View Controller
View Controller
No Selection
Notice that application starting point was preserved.
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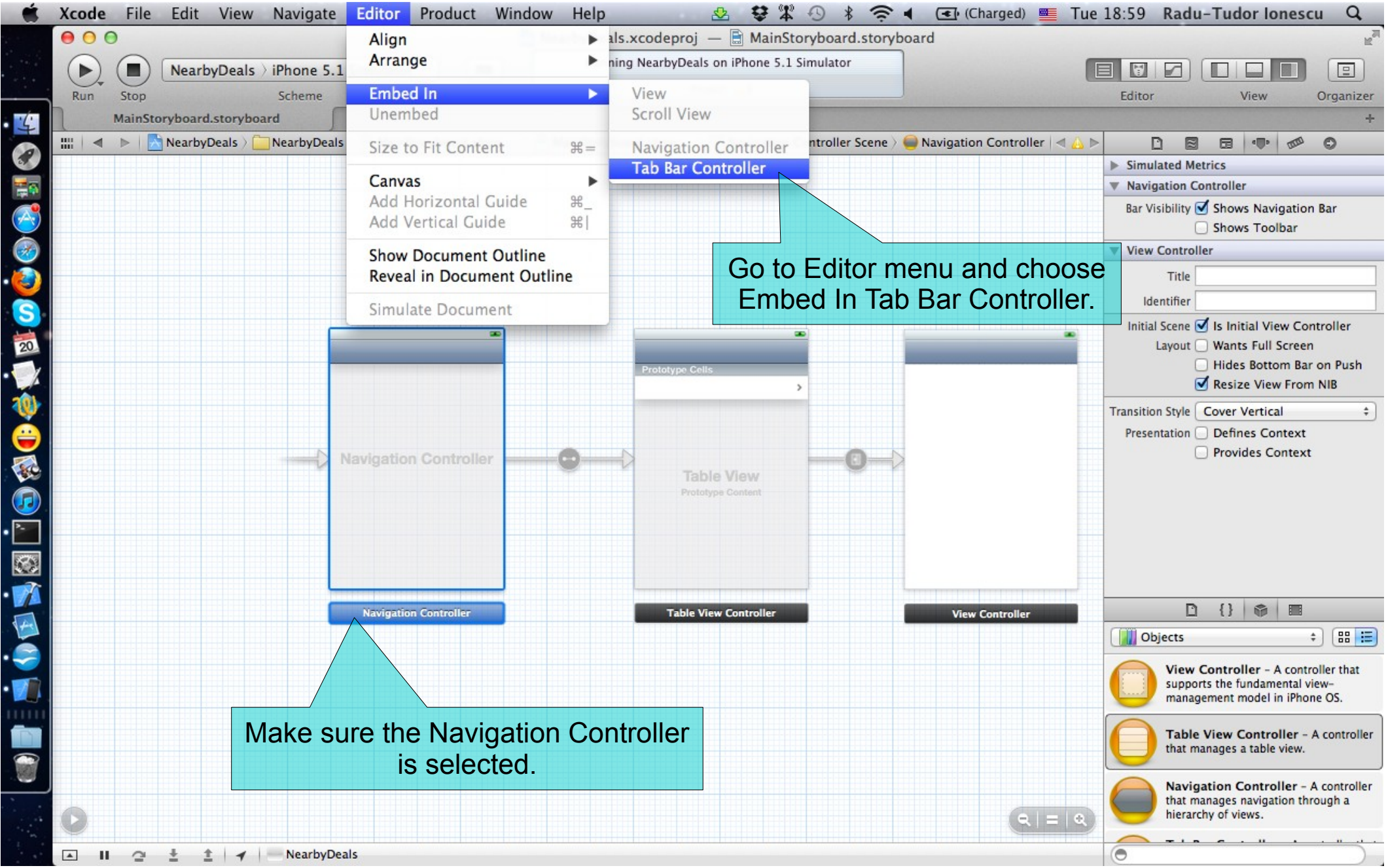
9. In a similar way, we will embed the Navigation Controller inside a Tab Bar Controller. Note that this is always the way to go (we never embed a Tab Bar Controller inside a Navigation Controller).

10. To complete the application Storyboard we will add another View Controller to the Tab Bar for the map view.

Follow the instructions from the next slides to learn how to do these steps.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Align
Arrange
Embed In
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Size to Fit Content
Canvas
Add Horizontal Guide
Add Vertical Guide
Show Document Outline
Reveal in Document Outline
Simulate Document
View
Scroll View
Navigation Controller
Tab Bar Controller
Go to Editor menu and choose Embed In Tab Bar Controller.
Navigation Controller
Table View
Prototype Cells
Navigation Controller
Table View Controller
View Controller
Make sure the Navigation Controller is selected.
Simulated Metrics
Navigation Controller
Bar Visibility
Shows Navigation Bar
Shows Toolbar
View Controller
Title
Identifier
Initial Scene
Is Initial View Controller
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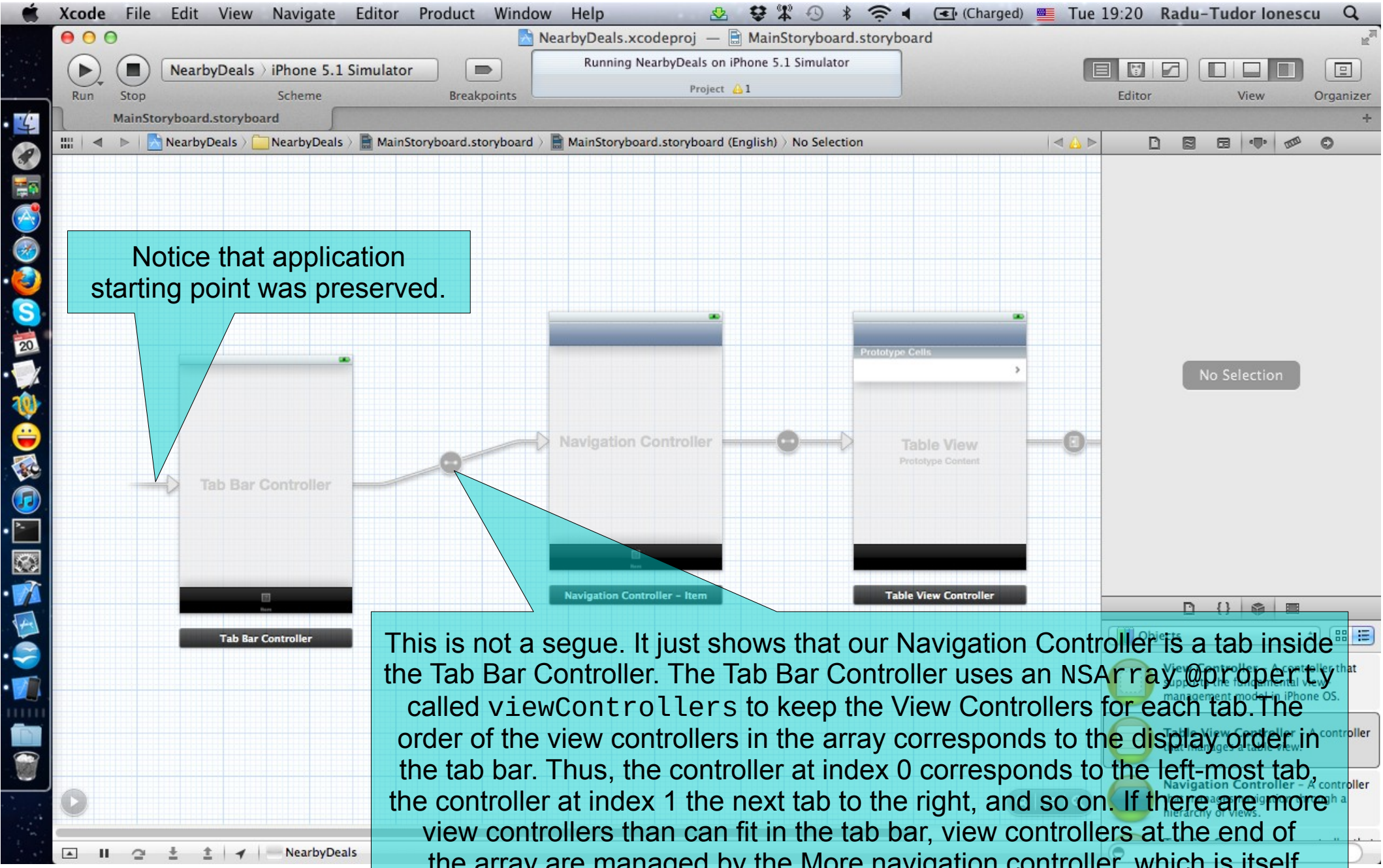
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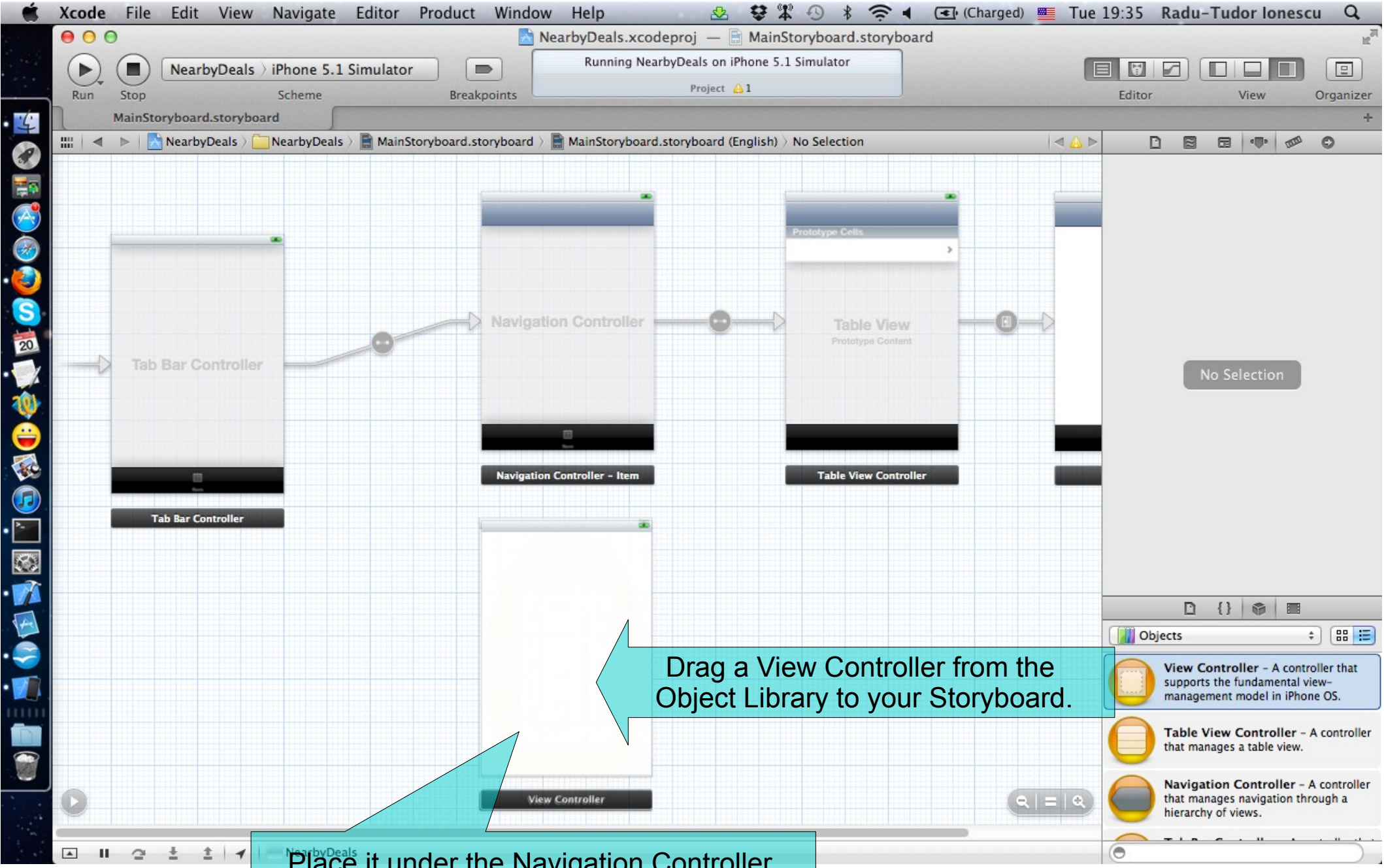
Tab Bar Controller
Navigation Controller
Navigation Controller – Item
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
No Selection
This is not a segue. It just shows that our Navigation Controller is a tab inside the Tab Bar Controller. The Tab Bar Controller uses an NSArray @property called viewControllers to keep the View Controllers for each tab. The order of the view controllers in the array corresponds to the display order in the tab bar. Thus, the controller at index 0 corresponds to the left-most tab, the controller at index 1 the next tab to the right, and so on. If there are more view controllers than can fit in the tab bar, view controllers at the end of the array are managed by the More navigation controller, which is itself not included in this array.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Project 1
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Tab Bar Controller
Navigation Controller
Navigation Controller - Item
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Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
Tab Bar Controller
View Controller
No Selection
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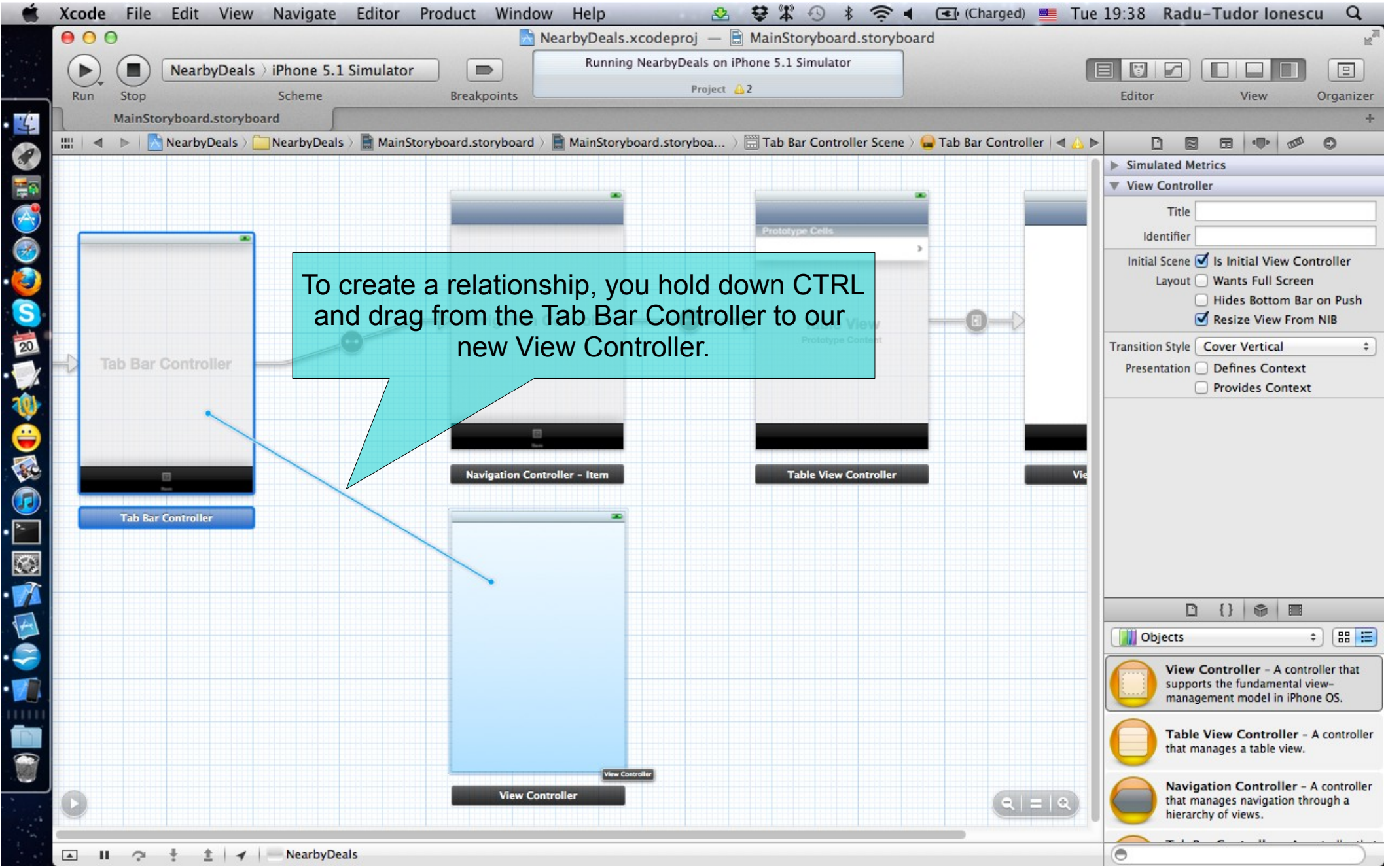
Drag a View Controller from the Object Library to your Storyboard.
Place it under the Navigation Controller.


To create a relationship, you hold down CTRL and drag from the Tab Bar Controller to our new View Controller.
Tab Bar Controller
Navigation Controller - Item
Table View Controller
View Controller
Simulated Metrics
View Controller
Title
Identifier
Initial Scene
Is Initial View Controller
Layout
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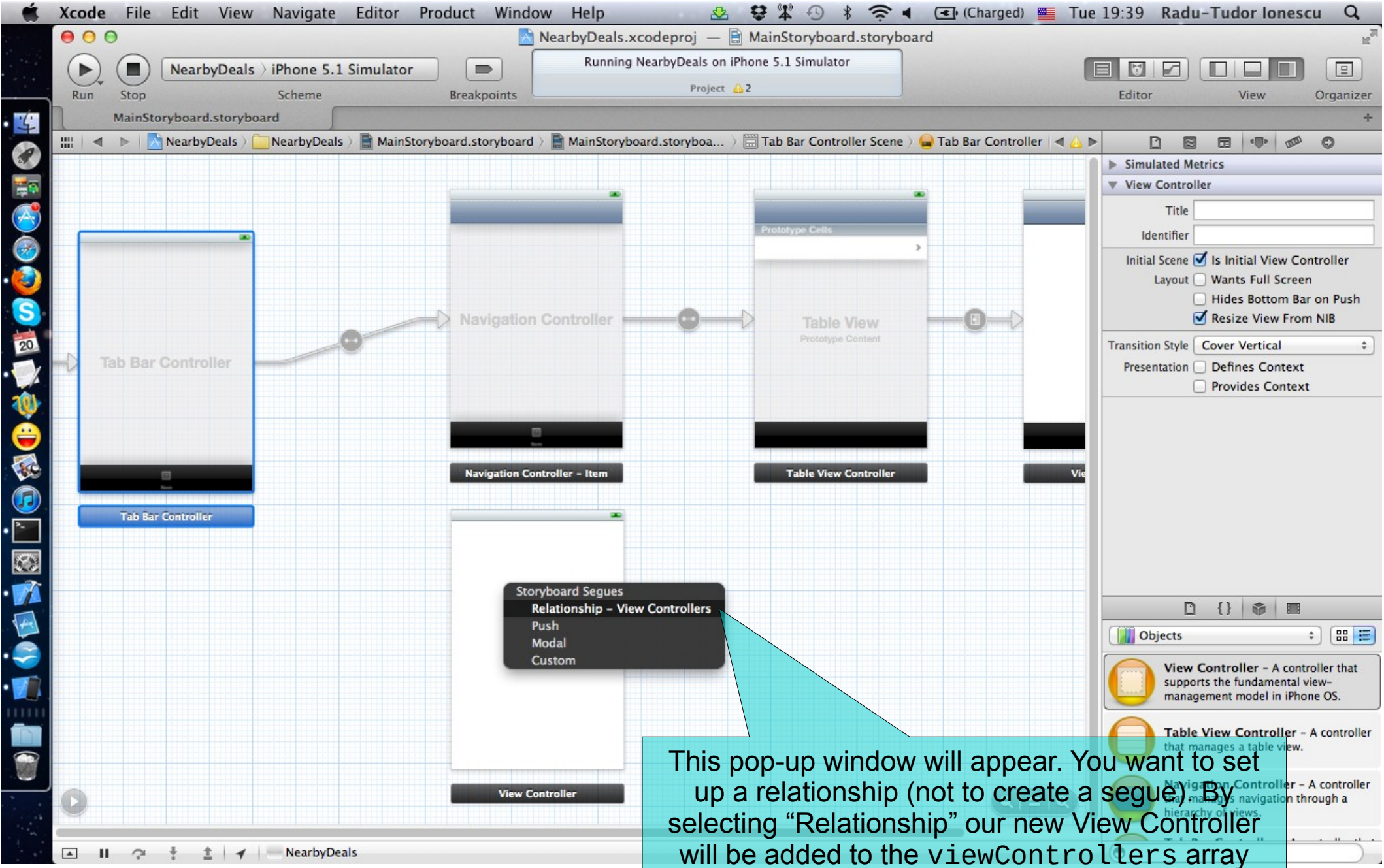
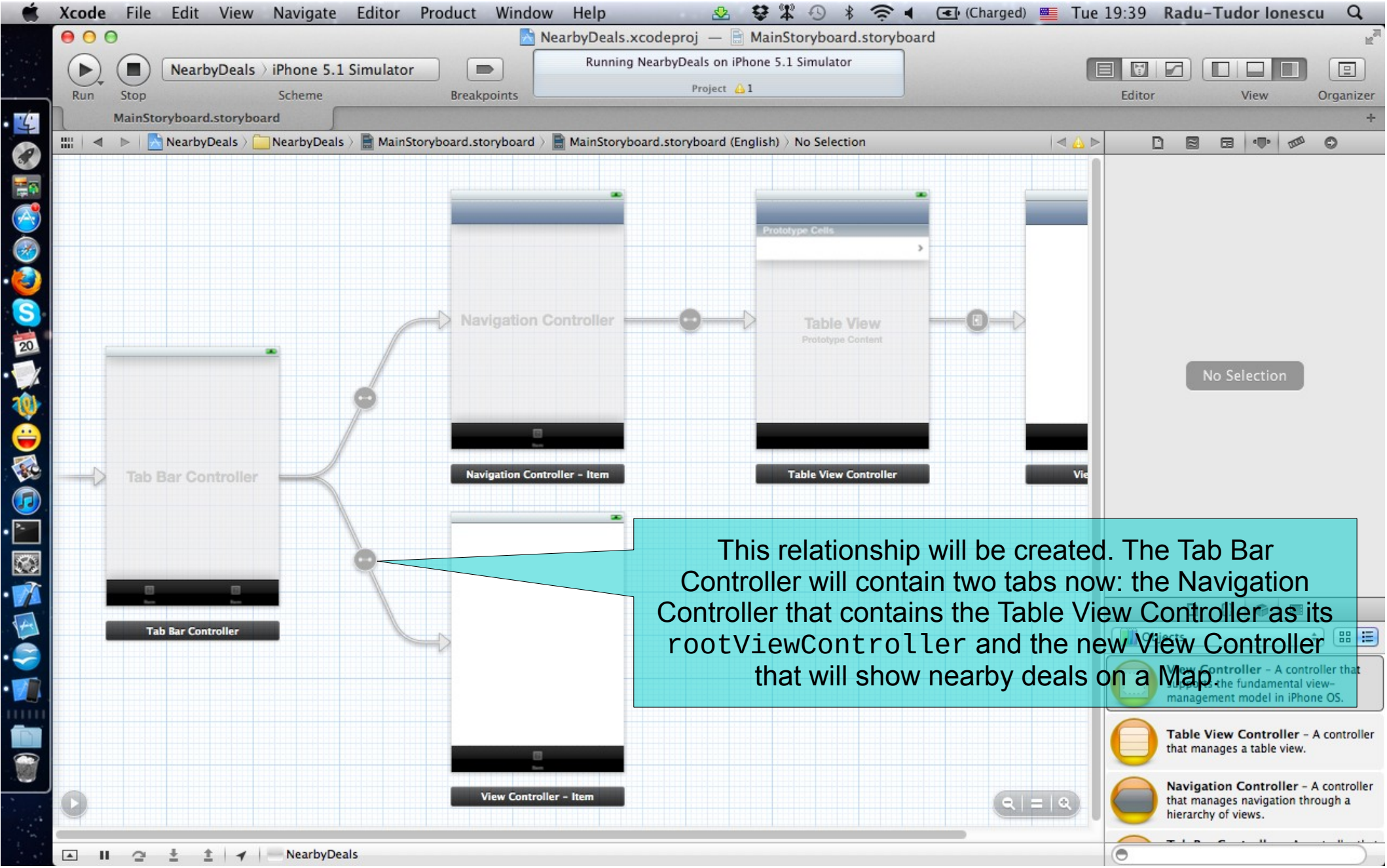


This pop-up window will appear. You want to set up a relationship (not to create a segue). By selecting “Relationship” our new View Controller will be added to the `viewControllers` array of the Tab Bar Controller.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Tab Bar Controller
Navigation Controller
Navigation Controller - Item
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Table View Controller
View Controller - Item
No Selection
This relationship will be created. The Tab Bar Controller will contain two tabs now: the Navigation Controller that contains the Table View Controller as its rootViewController and the new View Controller that will show nearby deals on a Map.
Table View Controller - A controller that manages a table view.
Navigation Controller - A controller that manages navigation through a hierarchy of views.
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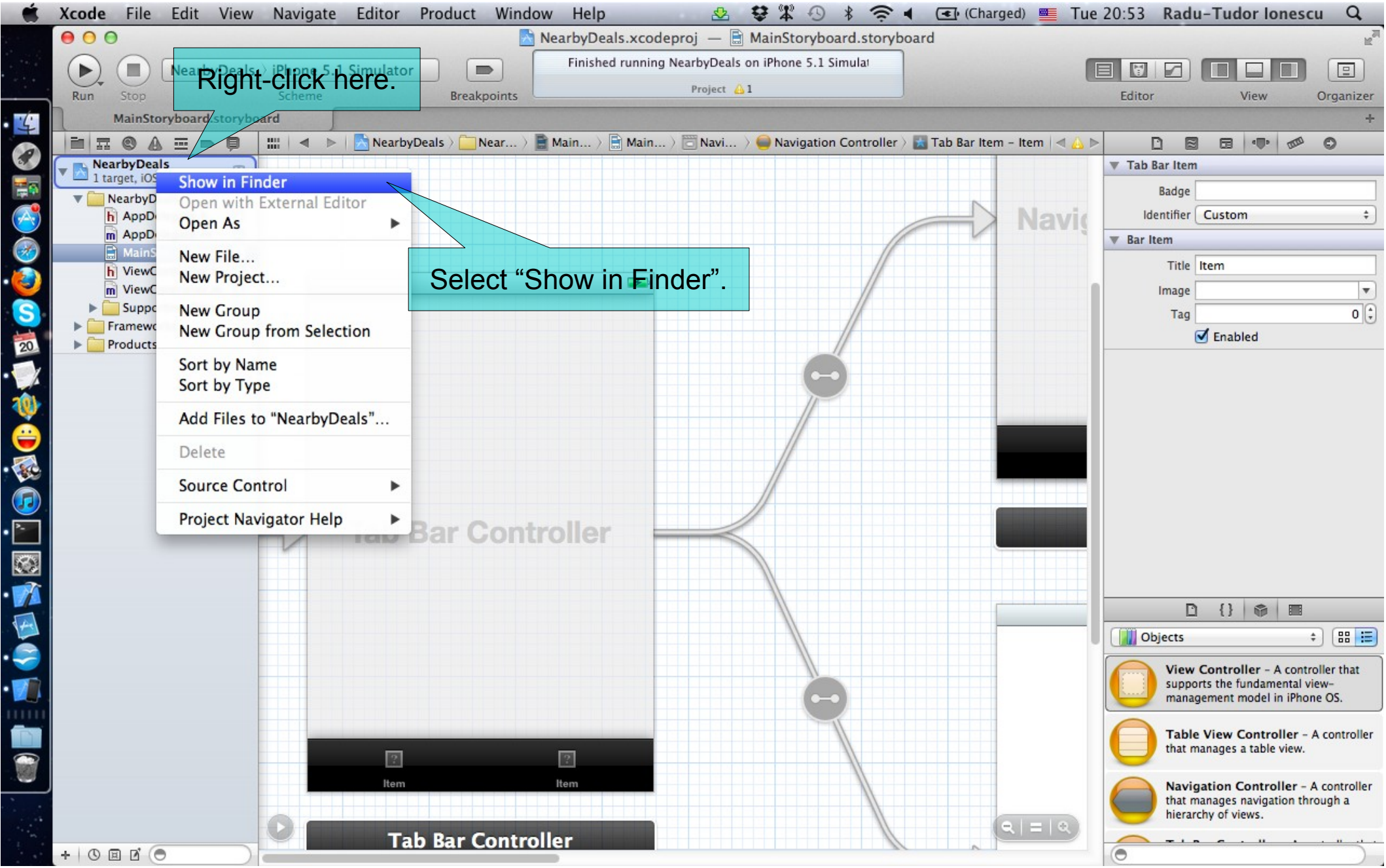
Task 3

Task: Add tab icons for the two tabs of the application.

1. Open Project Navigator and right-click on the NearbyDeals Project.
2. Select the “Show in Finder” option.
3. In Finder create a new folder and name it “Images”. We are going to use this folder to put images that we want to add to our Project. It is a good practice to keep a separate subfolder for this.
4. Copy and paste (using CMD + C and CMD + V, respectively) the “tab-icon-list.png” and “tab-icon-map.png” files to the “Images” subfolder. You might want to open another Finder window for this (use the CMD + N shortcut to do it).

See the next screenshots for extra help.


Right-click here.
Show in Finder
Open with External Editor
Open As
New File...
New Project...
New Group
New Group from Selection
Sort by Name
Sort by Type
Add Files to "NearbyDeals"...
Delete
Source Control
Project Navigator Help
Select “Show in Finder”.
Tab Bar Controller
Item
Item
Tab Bar Item
Badge
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Bar Item
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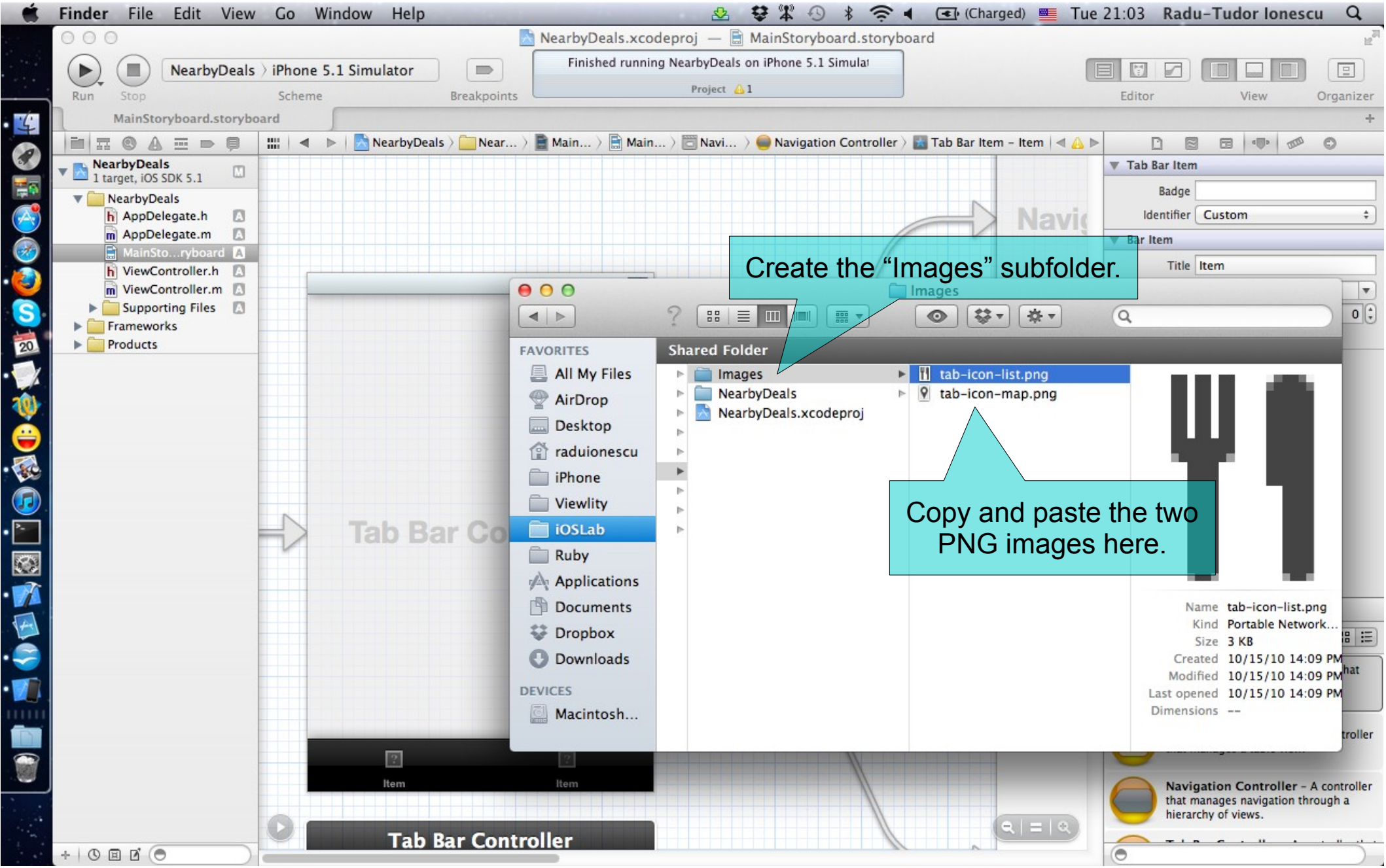
Create the “Images” subfolder.
Copy and paste the two PNG images here.
Images
Shared Folder
FAVORITES
All My Files
AirDrop
Desktop
raduionescu
iPhone
Viewlity
iOSLab
Ruby
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Documents
Dropbox
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DEVICES
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Tab Bar Controller
Navigation Controller – A controller that manages navigation through a hierarchy of views.

Task 3

Task: Add tab icons for the two tabs of the application.

5. Close Finder and go back to Xcode. It's time to add the Images subfolder to our Project.

Right-click on the NearbyDeals Project and select the “Add Files to NearbyDeals ...” option.

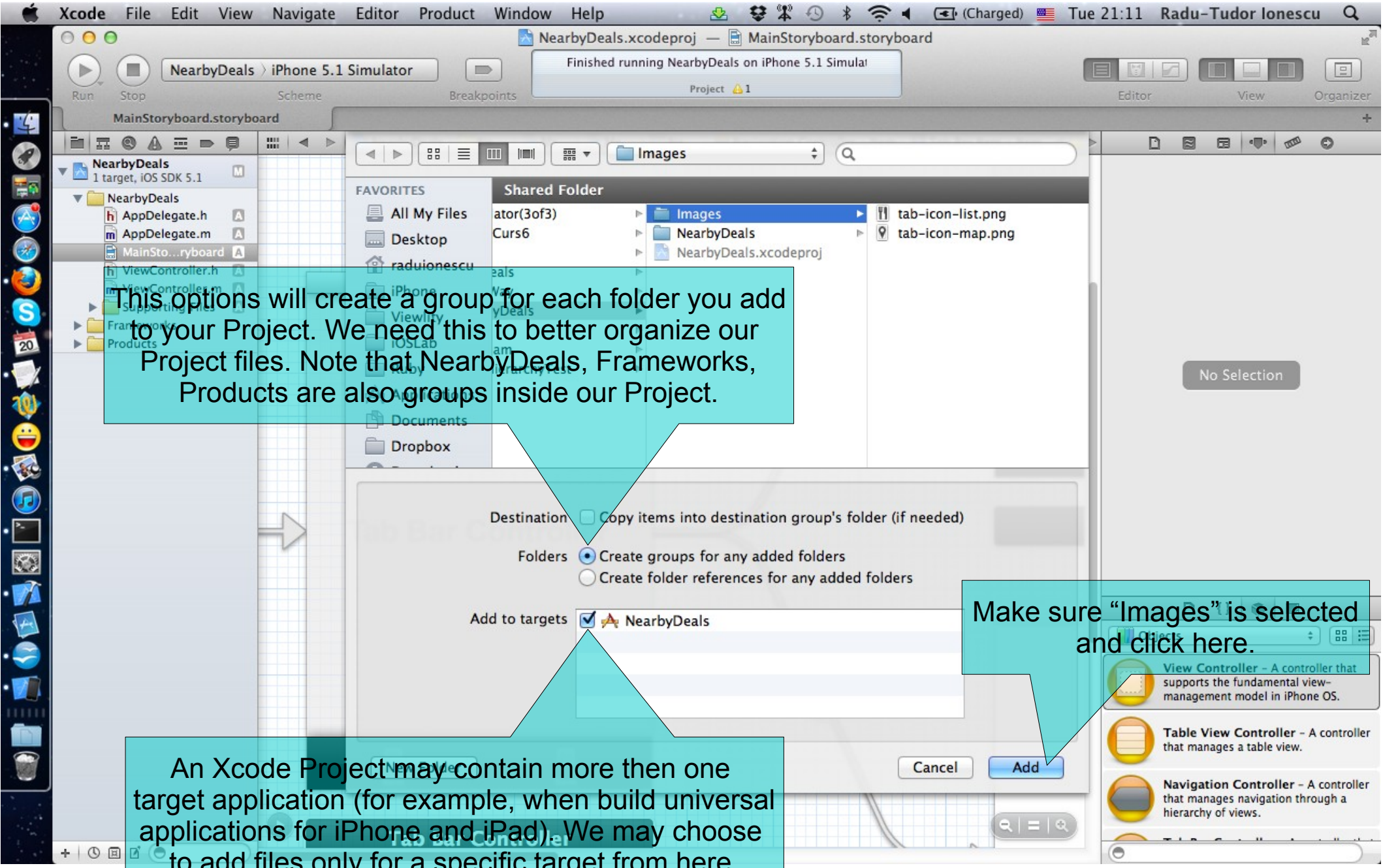
6. Search for the “Images” folder you've just created.

7. Make sure “Create groups for any added folders” is selected.

8. Click “Add” to add the “Images” folder to your project.

9. Make sure the “Images” folder appears in Project Navigator before you continue.

See the next screenshot for extra help.


This options will create a group for each folder you add to your Project. We need this to better organize our Project files. Note that NearbyDeals, Frameworks, Products are also groups inside our Project.
Make sure “Images” is selected and click here.
An Xcode Project may contain more then one target application (for example, when build universal applications for iPhone and iPad). We may choose to add files only for a specific target from here.
Destination
Copy items into destination group's folder (if needed)
Folders
Create groups for any added folders
Create folder references for any added folders
Add to targets
NearbyDeals
Cancel
Add
Images
Shared Folder
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All My Files
Desktop
Documents
Dropbox
tab-icon-list.png
tab-icon-map.png
NearbyDeals.xcodeproj
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View Controller – A controller that supports the fundamental view-management model in iPhone OS.
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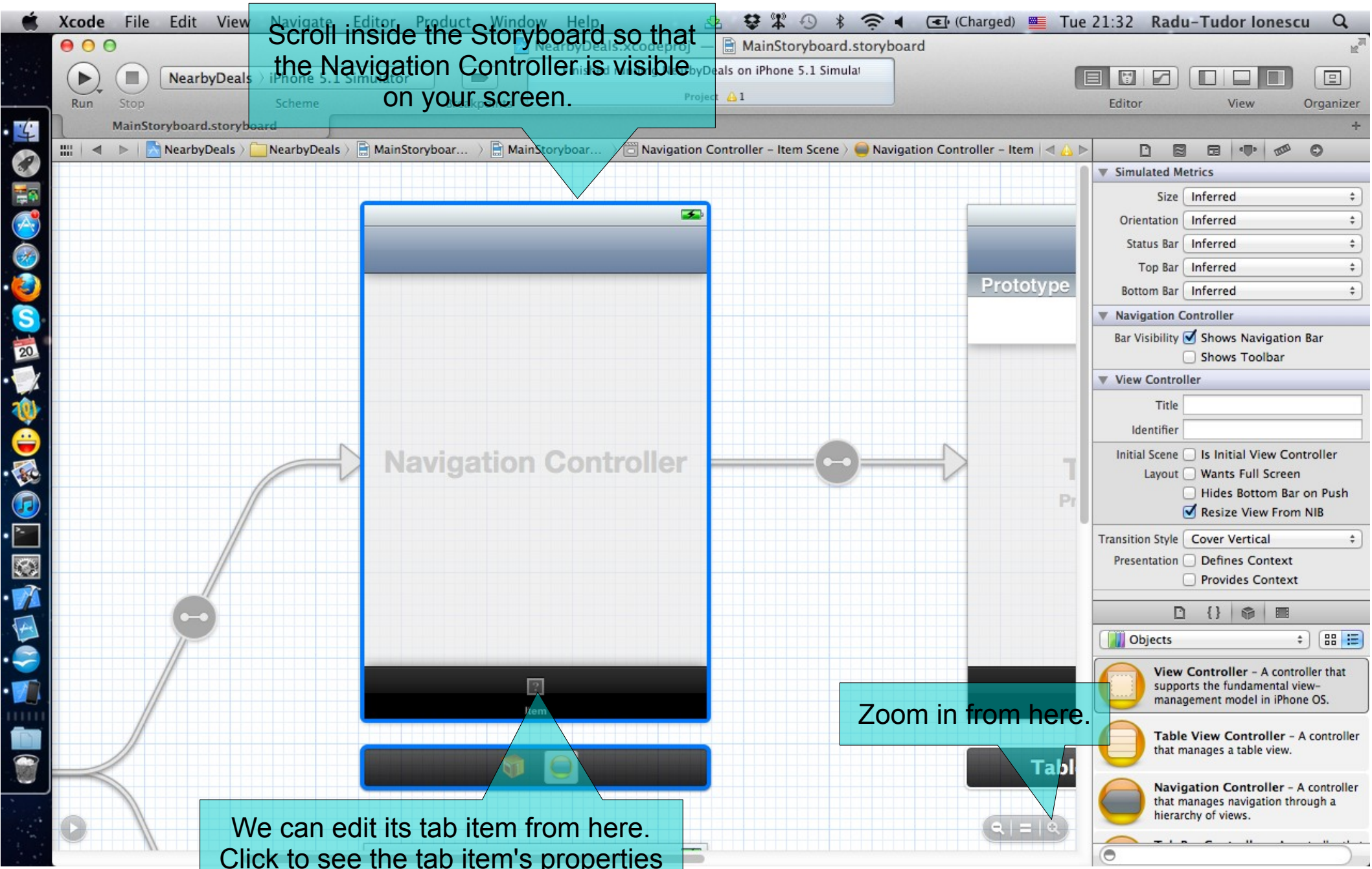
Task 3

Task: Add tab icons for the two tabs of the application.

10. Hide Project Navigator.

11. Continue with the steps from the following slides to add the tab icons and complete this task.


Scroll inside the Storyboard so that the Navigation Controller is visible on your screen.
Navigation Controller
Prototype
Zoom in from here.
We can edit its tab item from here. Click to see the tab item's properties in Attributes Inspector.
Simulated Metrics
Navigation Controller
View Controller
Objects
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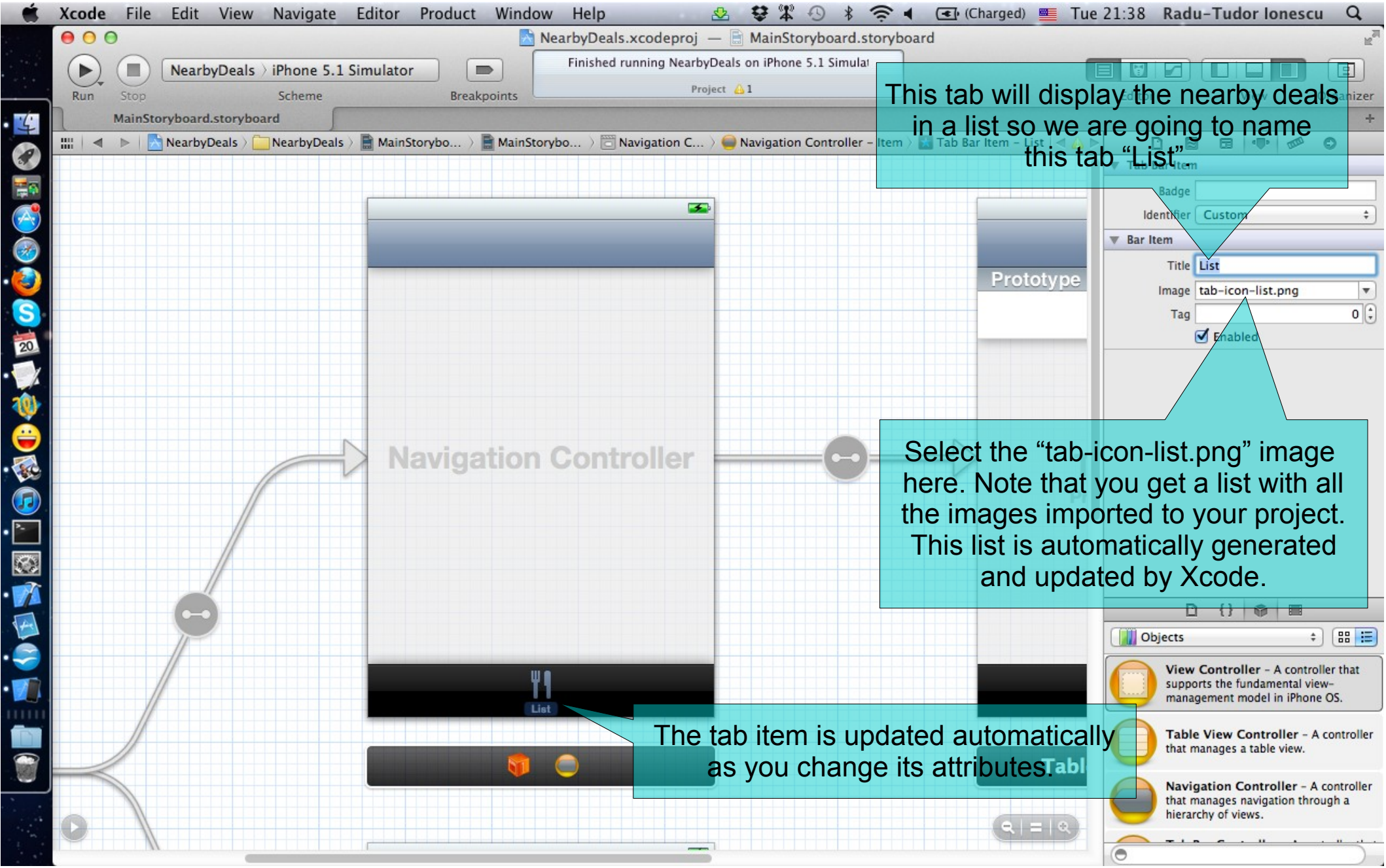
This tab will display the nearby deals in a list so we are going to name this tab “List”.
Select the “tab-icon-list.png” image here. Note that you get a list with all the images imported to your project. This list is automatically generated and updated by Xcode.
The tab item is updated automatically as you change its attributes.
Navigation Controller
Prototype
List
Title
List
Image
tab-icon-list.png
Tag
Badge
Identifier
Custom
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Objects
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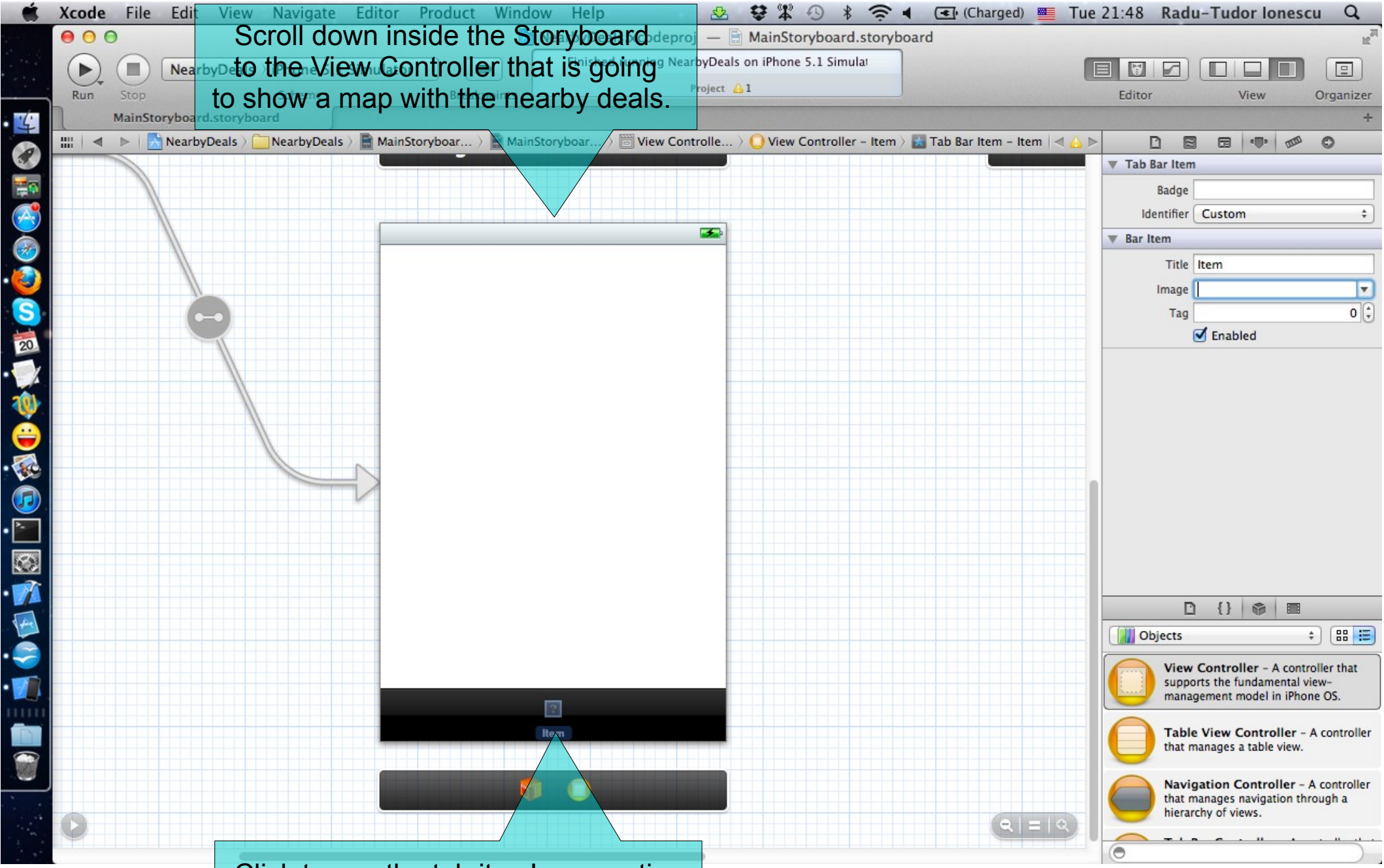
Scroll down inside the Storyboard to the View Controller that is going to show a map with the nearby deals.
Click to see the tab item's properties in Attributes Inspector.
Xcode File Edit View Navigate Editor Product Window Help
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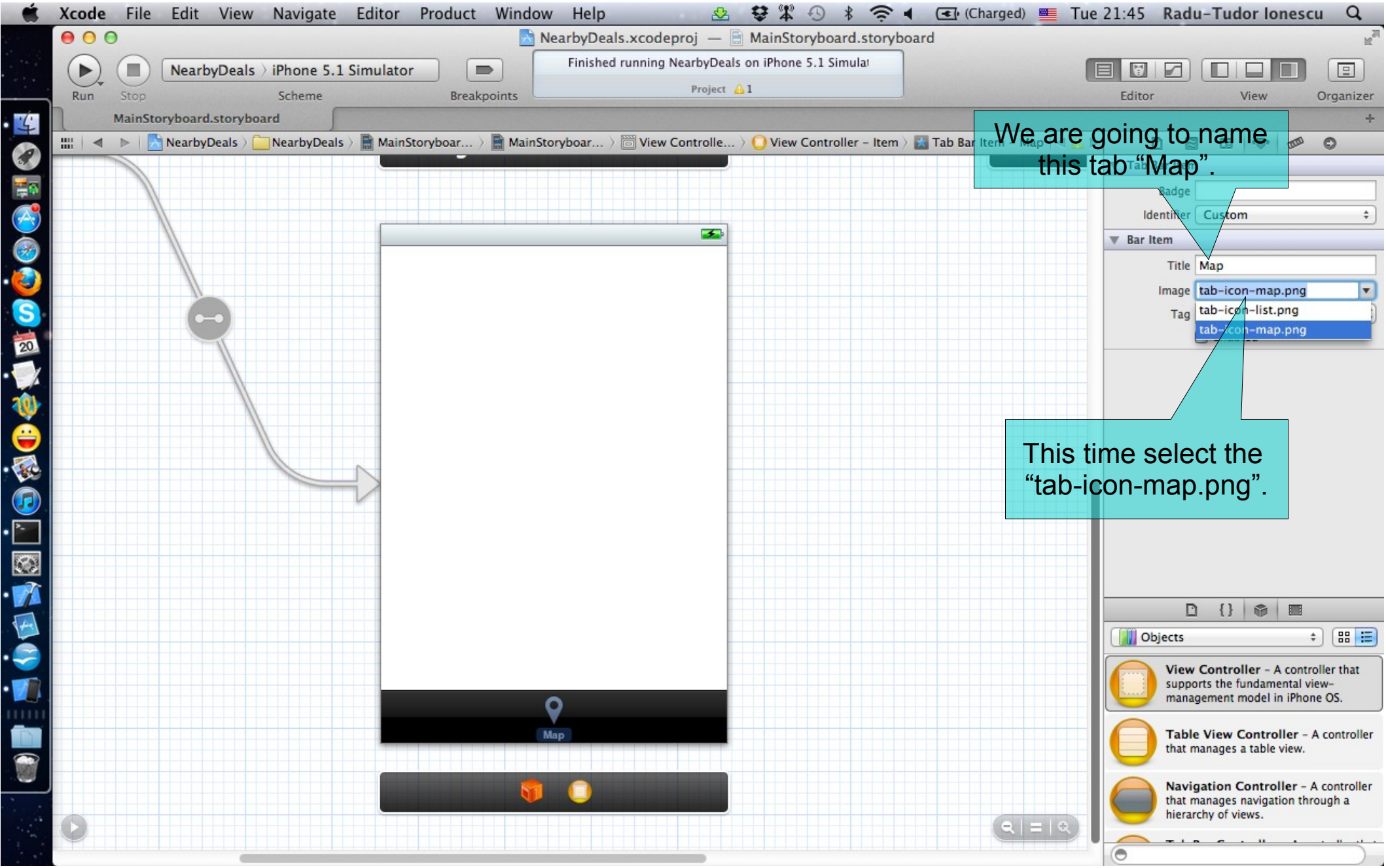
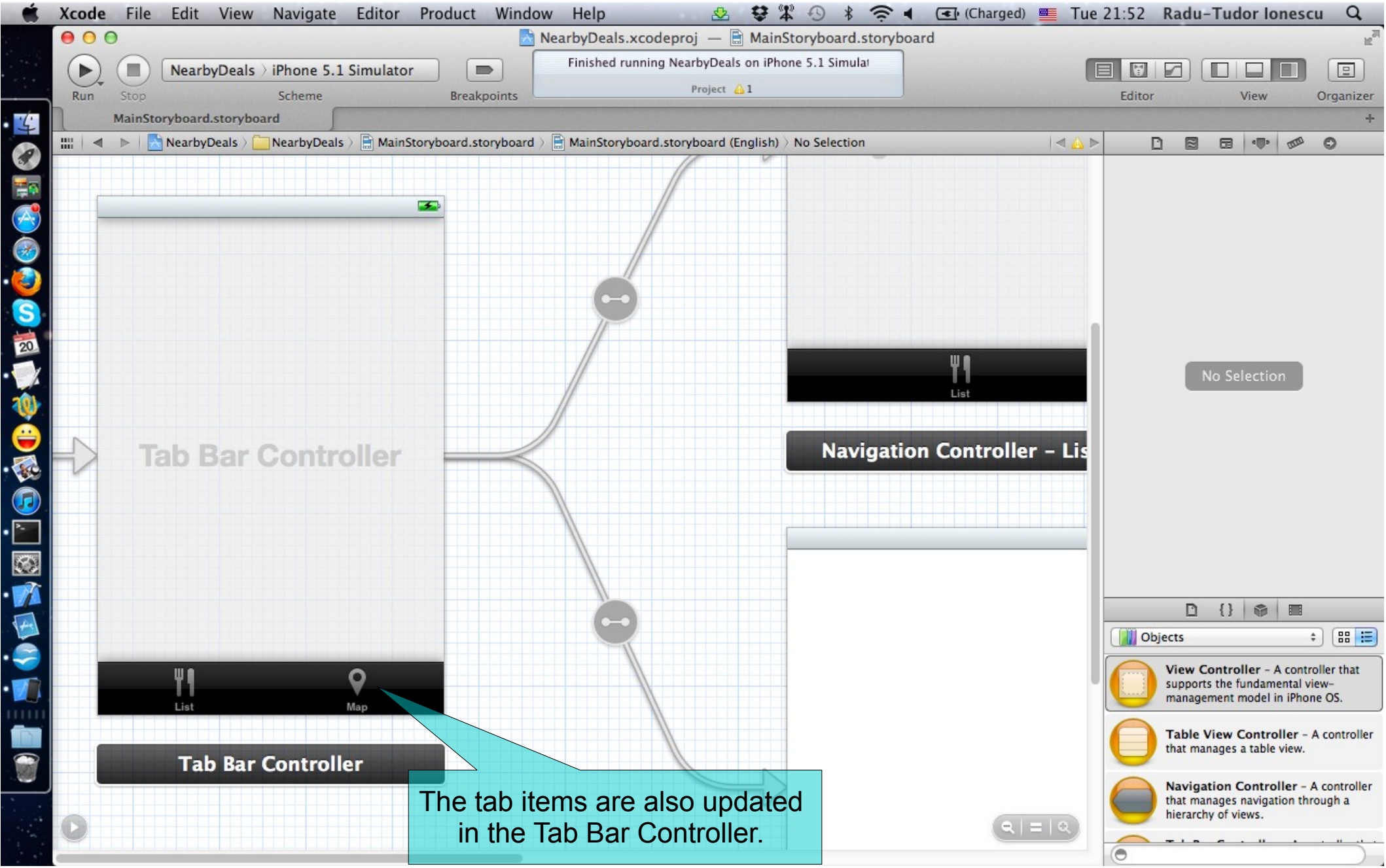

We are going to name this tab “Map”.
This time select the “tab-icon-map.png”.
Map
tab-icon-list.png
tab-icon-map.png


Xcode File Edit View Navigate Editor Product Window Help
Tue 21:52 Radu-Tudor Ionescu
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Objects
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The tab items are also updated in the Tab Bar Controller.

Task 4

Task: Configure the Table View Controller to show some mock-up data inside its Table View.

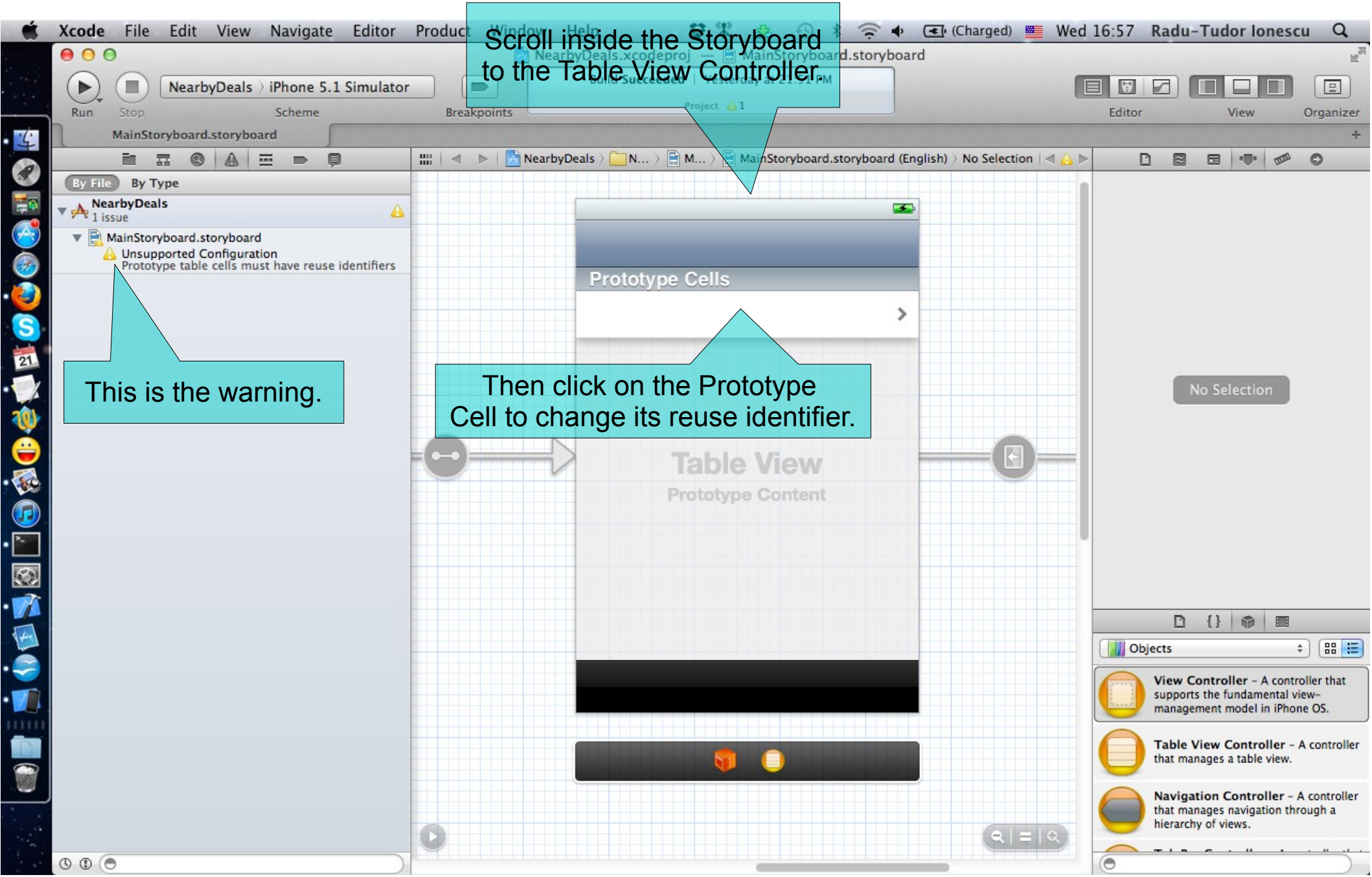
1. Note that there is a Xcode Warning that tells us that we need to set the reuse identifier of the Prototype Cell.

The reuse identifier is associated with a `UITableViewCell` object that the Table View's delegate creates with the intent to reuse it as the basis (for performance reasons) for multiple rows of a table view.

It is assigned to the cell object in the initializer method `initWithFrame:reuseIdentifier:` and cannot be changed thereafter. A `UITableView` object maintains a queue (or list) of the currently reusable cells, each with its own reuse identifier, and makes them available to the delegate.

The reuse identifier is just an `NSString` object that we can set up. It will be used to identify a type of cell.

Let's set the reuse identifier to "DealCell". See the next slides for help.


Scroll inside the Storyboard to the Table View Controller.
This is the warning.
Then click on the Prototype Cell to change its reuse identifier.
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1 issue
MainStoryboard.storyboard
Unsupported Configuration
Prototype table cells must have reuse identifiers
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Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
No Selection
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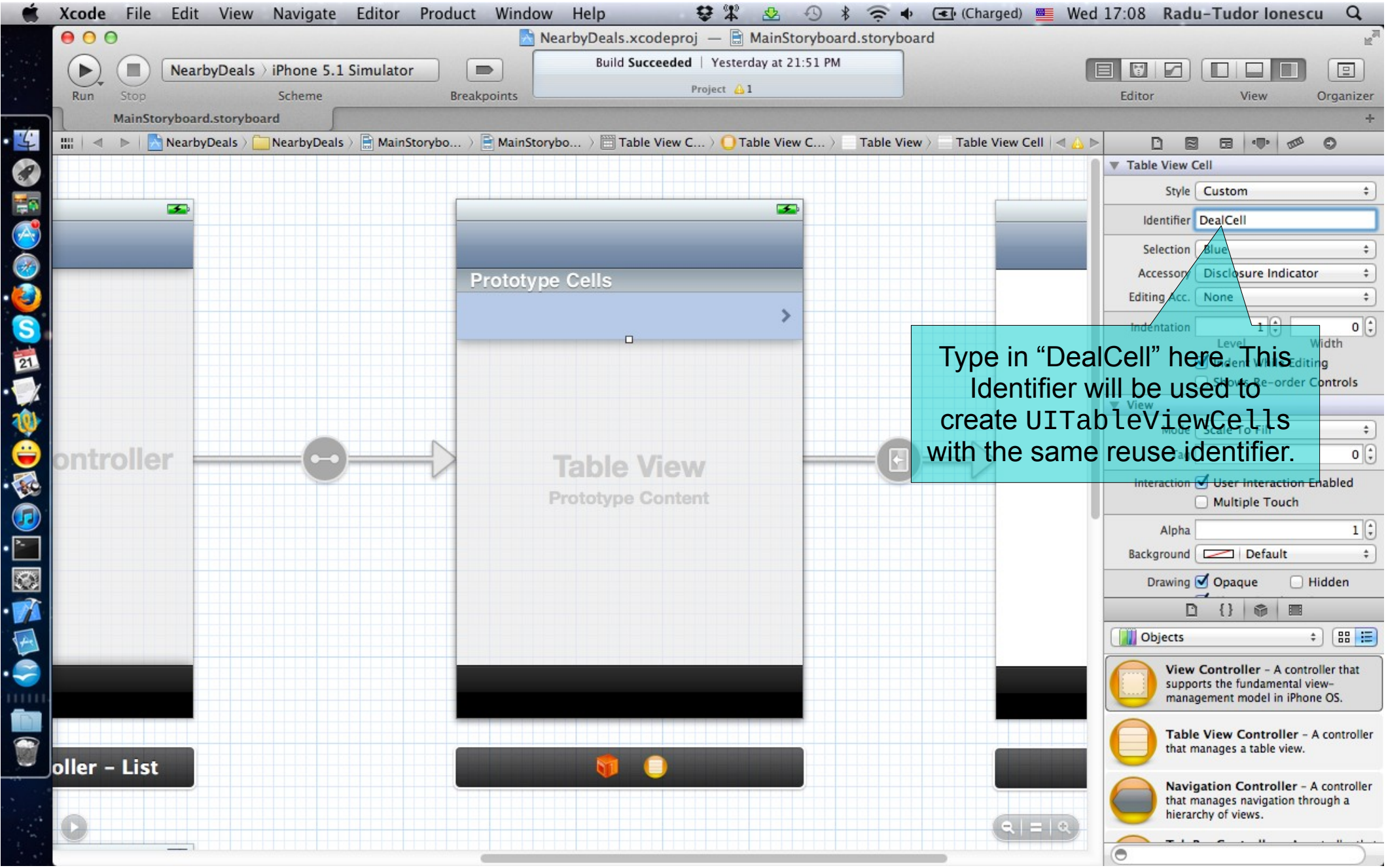
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Alpha
Background Default
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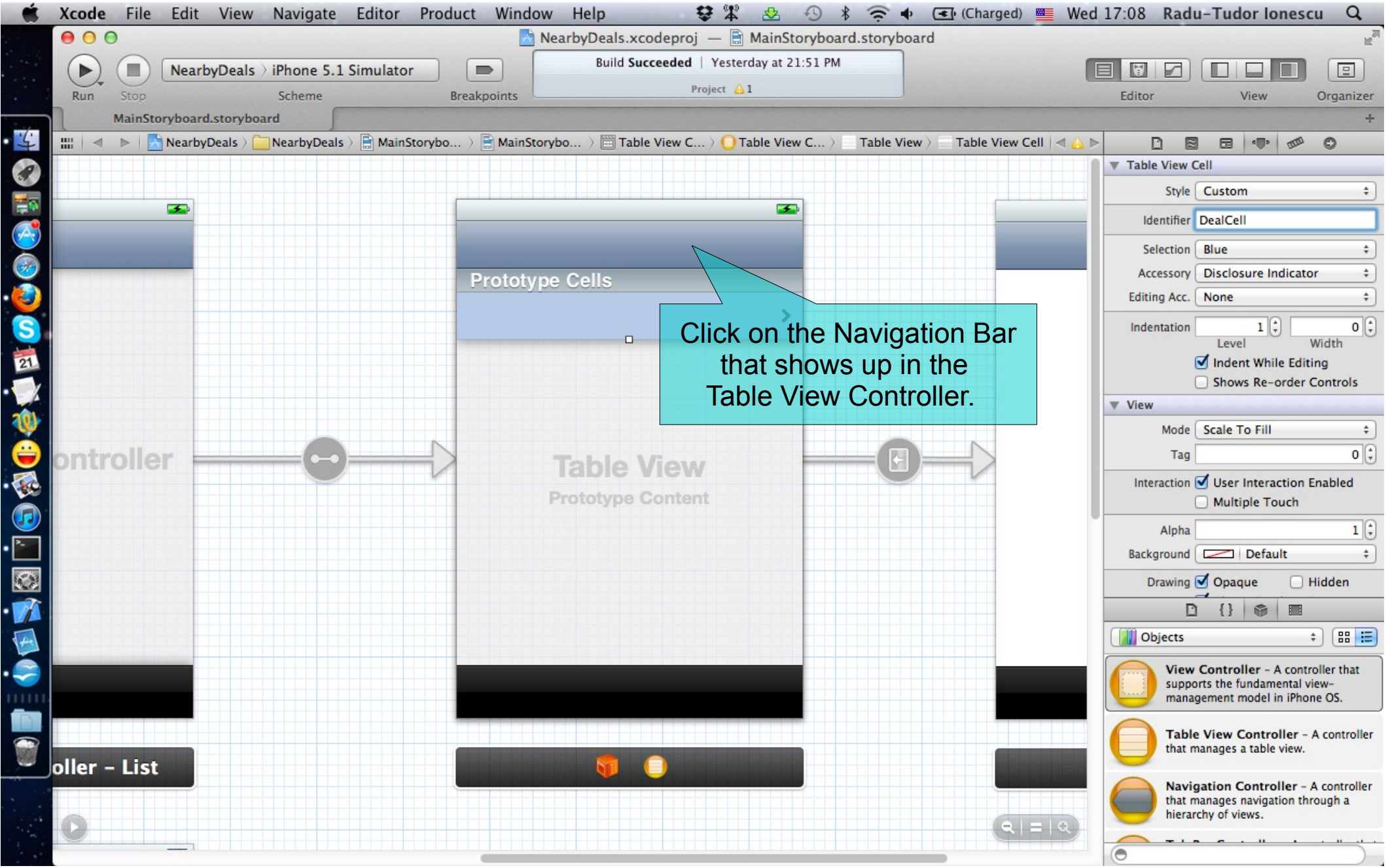
Type in “DealCell” here. This Identifier will be used to create UITableViewCells with the same reuse identifier.

Task 4

Task: Configure the Table View Controller to show some mock-up data inside its Table View.

2. We should set the Table View Controller title (that appears on the Navigation Bar). Note that each View Controller (including Table View Controllers) have a `navigationItem` that holds properties related to navigation.

We have to set the `navigationItem.title` property to “Nearby Deals”, but we are going to do this in Interface Builder. See the following slides to understand what needs to be done.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NearbyDeals.xcodeproj — MainStoryboard.storyboard
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Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
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Table View Cell
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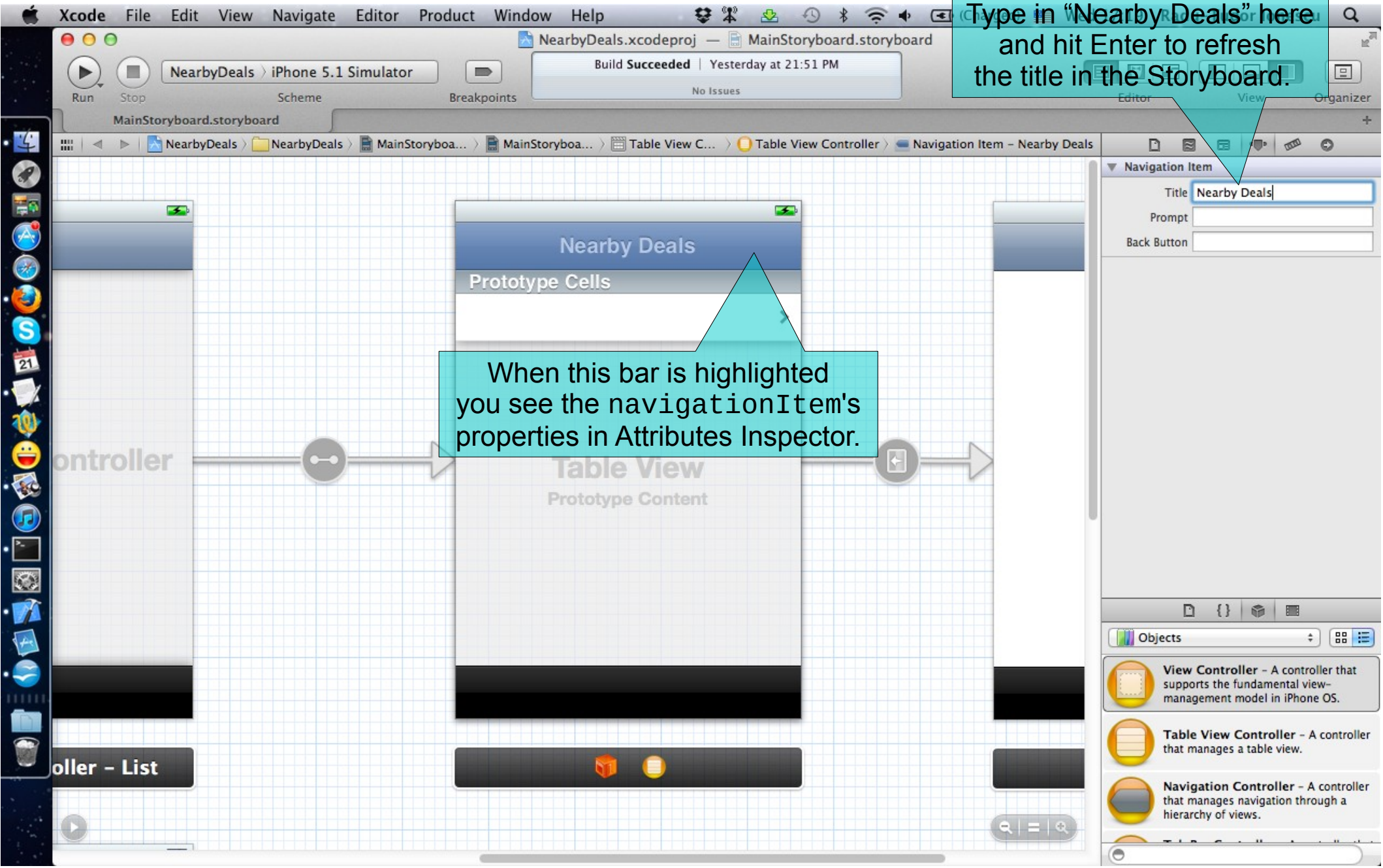
Type in “Nearby Deals” here and hit Enter to refresh the title in the Storyboard.
When this bar is highlighted you see the navigationItem's properties in Attributes Inspector.
Nearby Deals
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
Navigation Item
Title
Nearby Deals
Prompt
Back Button
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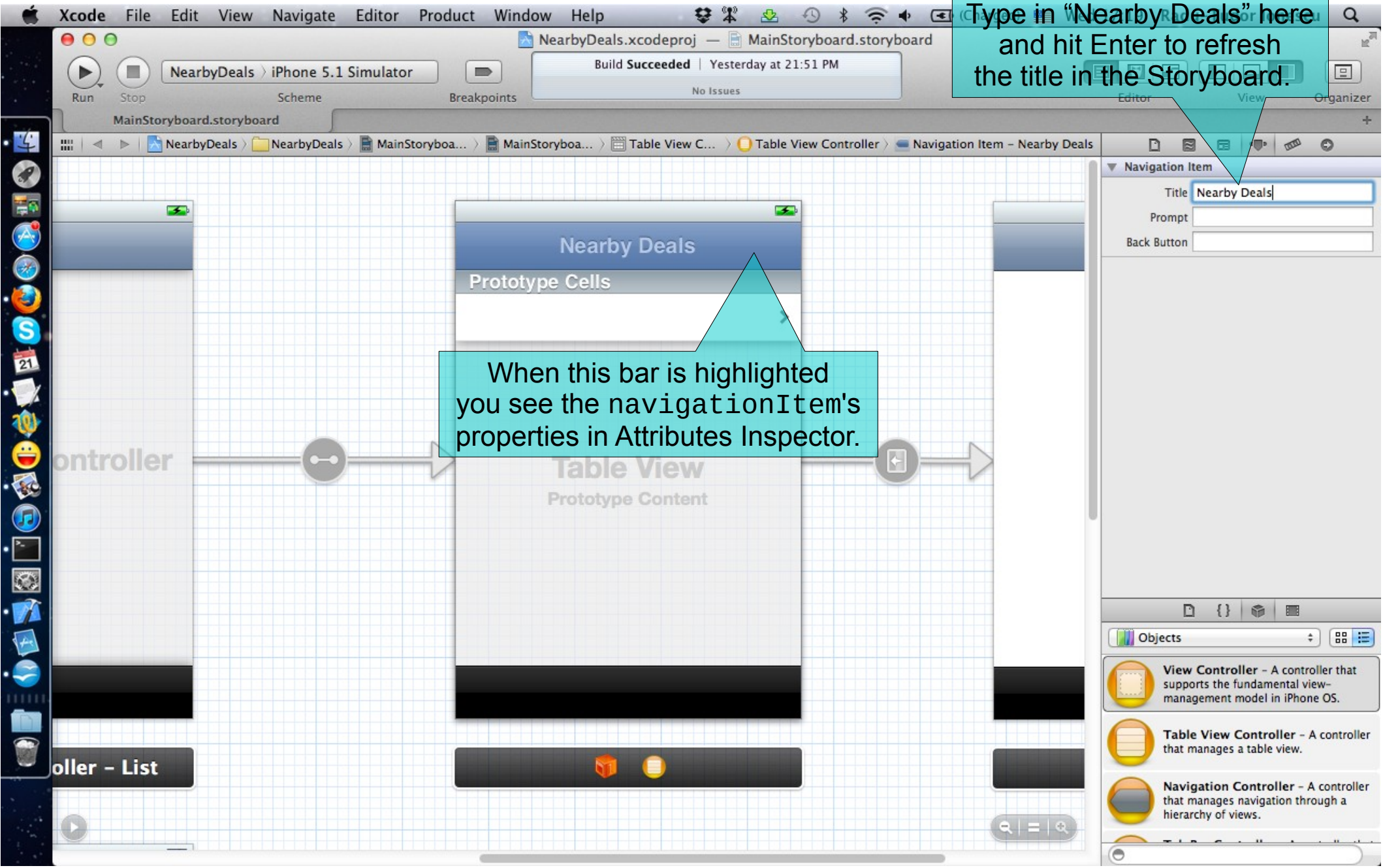
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Task 4

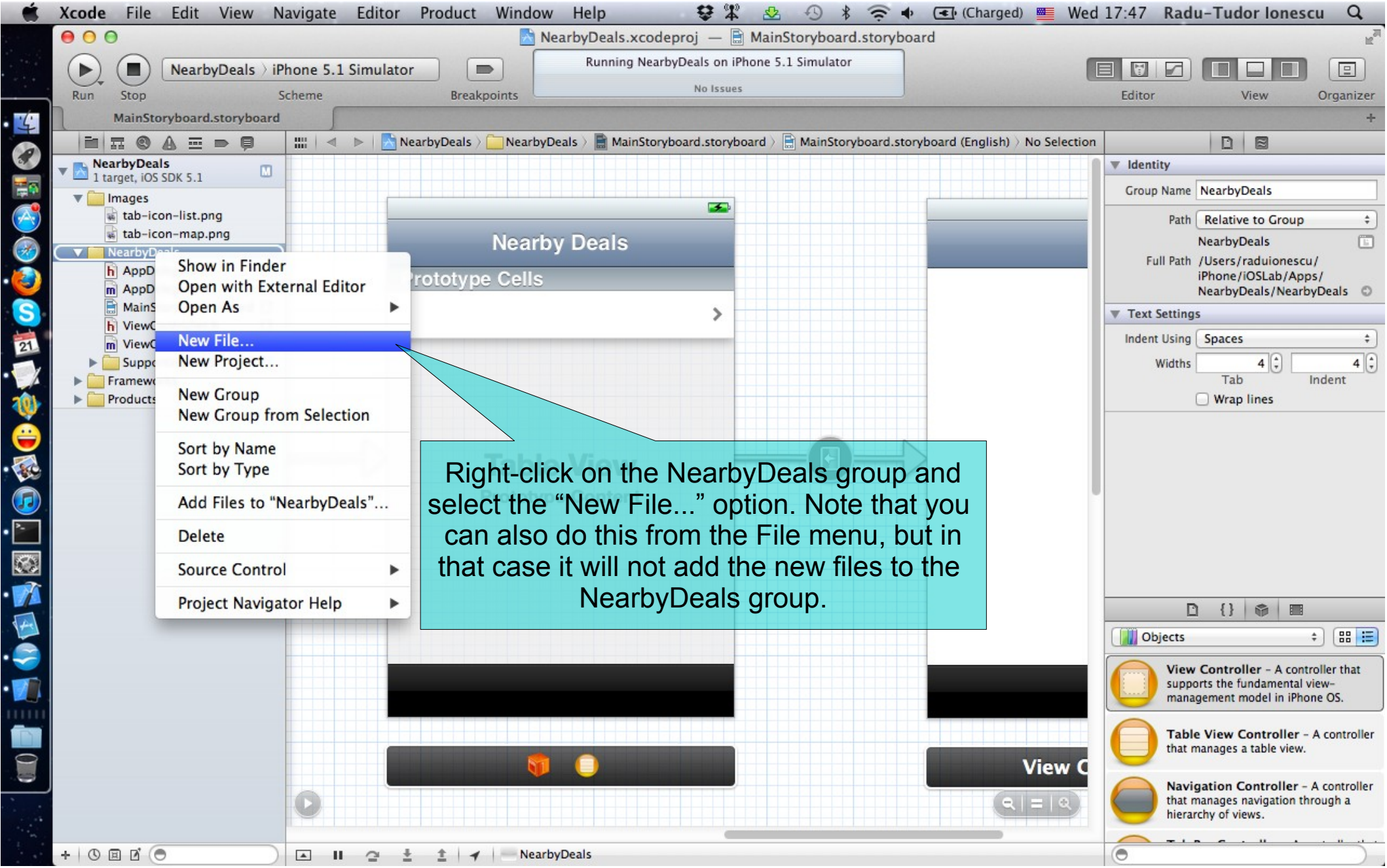
Task: Configure the Table View Controller to show some mock-up data inside its Table View.

3. Let's run the application and see how it looks by now. Notice that it has two tabs: one that shows an empty list of deals and another one that shows a white screen.

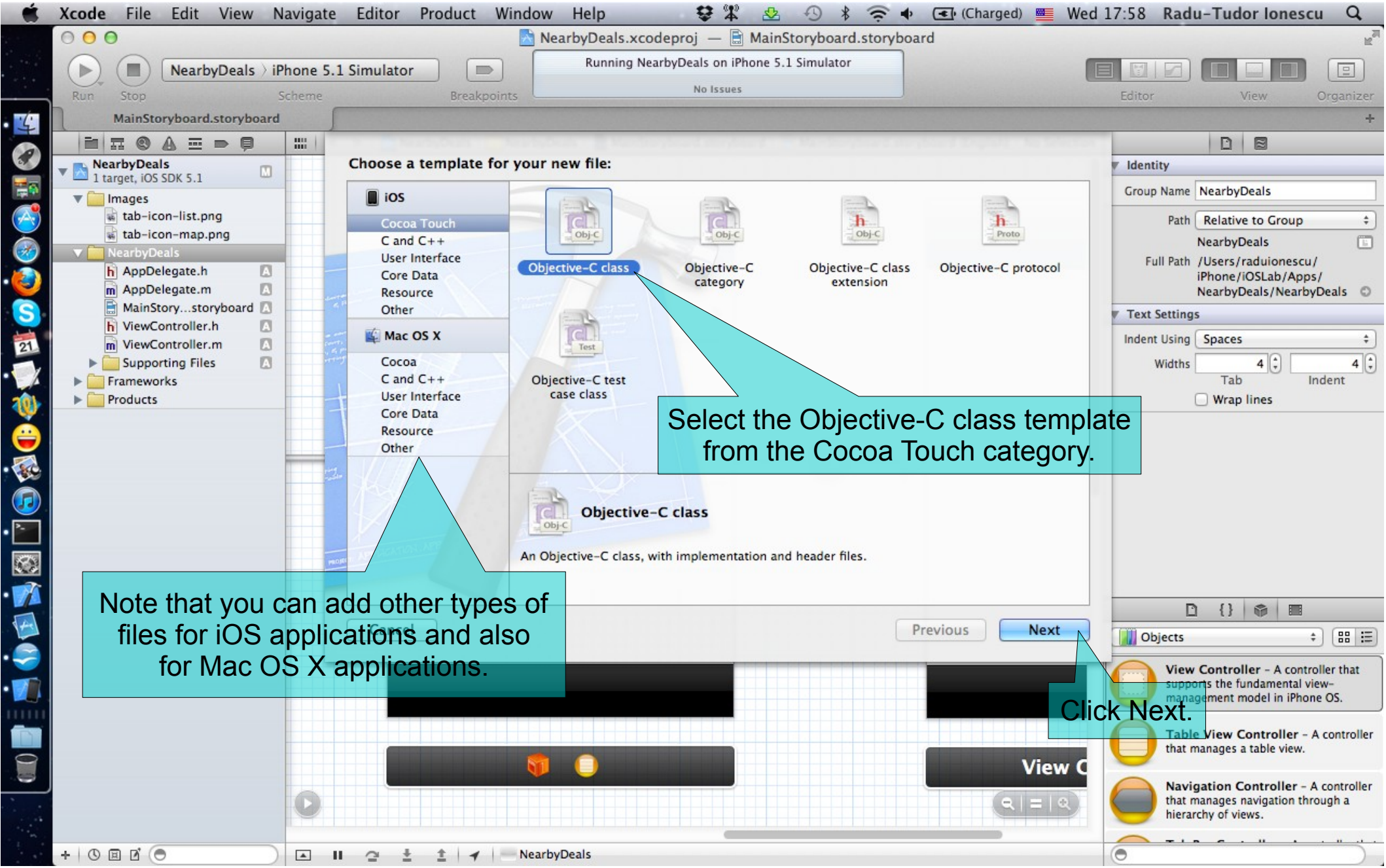
4. Stop running the application.

5. This all we can do from Interface Builder. Next we are going to have to write some code to show some mock-up data inside the Table View Controller. For this we need add a subclass of `UITableViewController` to our project and create a relationship between this subclass and the Table View Controller inside our Storyboard.

Let's open Project Navigator and continue with the following screenshots that guide you through adding a subclass of `UITableViewController`.



Right-click on the NearbyDeals group and select the “New File...” option. Note that you can also do this from the File menu, but in that case it will not add the new files to the NearbyDeals group.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iOS
Cocoa Touch
C and C++
User Interface
Core Data
Resource
Other
Mac OS X
Cocoa
C and C++
User Interface
Core Data
Resource
Other
Objective-C class
Objective-C category
Objective-C class extension
Objective-C protocol
Objective-C test case class
Objective-C class
An Objective-C class, with implementation and header files.
Previous
Next
Select the Objective-C class template from the Cocoa Touch category.
Note that you can add other types of files for iOS applications and also for Mac OS X applications.
Click Next.
NearbyDeals
1 target, iOS SDK 5.1
Images
tab-icon-list.png
tab-icon-map.png
NearbyDeals
AppDelegate.h
AppDelegate.m
MainStory...storyboard
ViewController.h
ViewController.m
Supporting Files
Frameworks
Products
Identity
Group Name NearbyDeals
Path Relative to Group
NearbyDeals
Full Path /Users/raduionescu/iPhone/iOSLab/Apps/NearbyDeals/NearbyDeals
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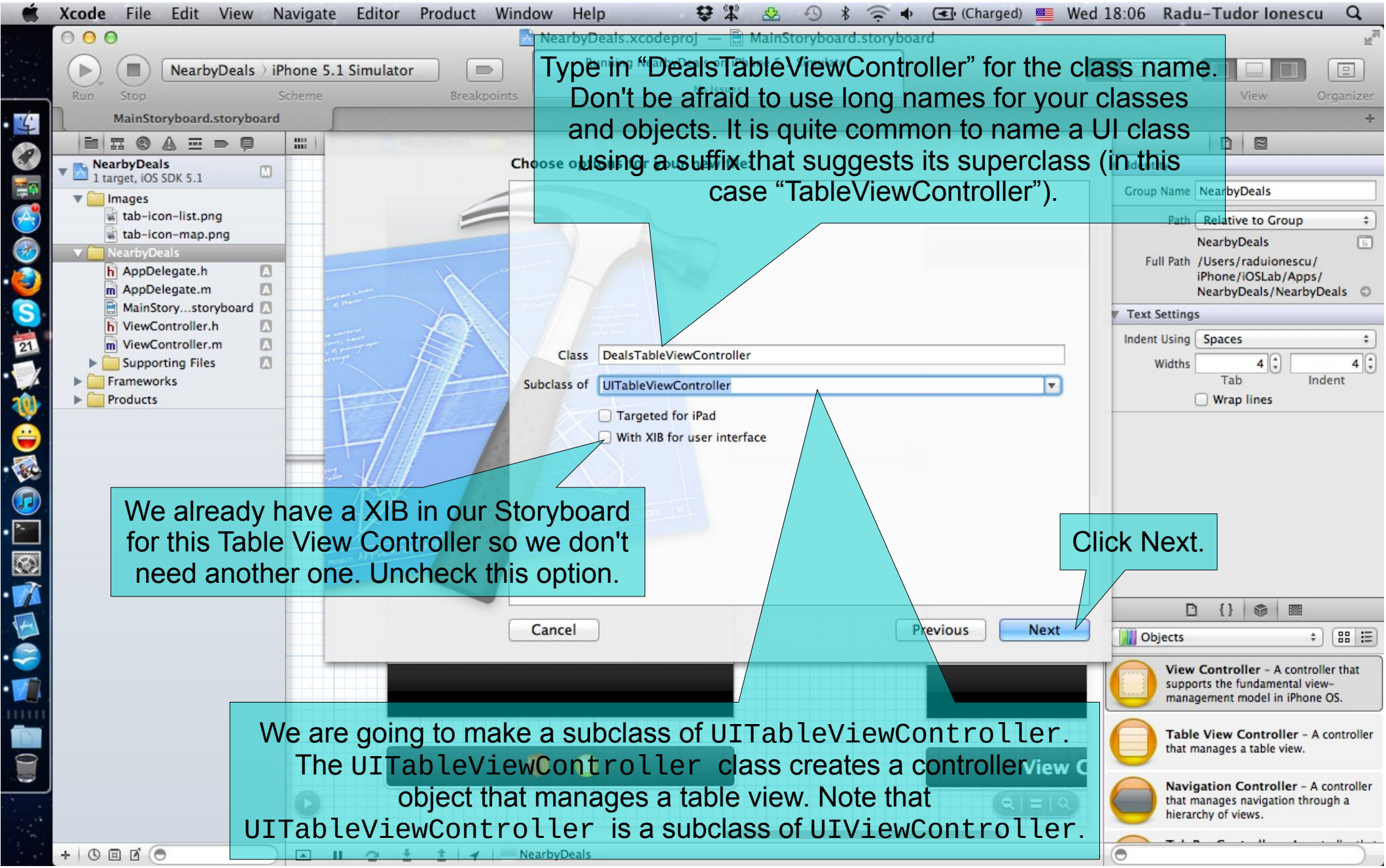
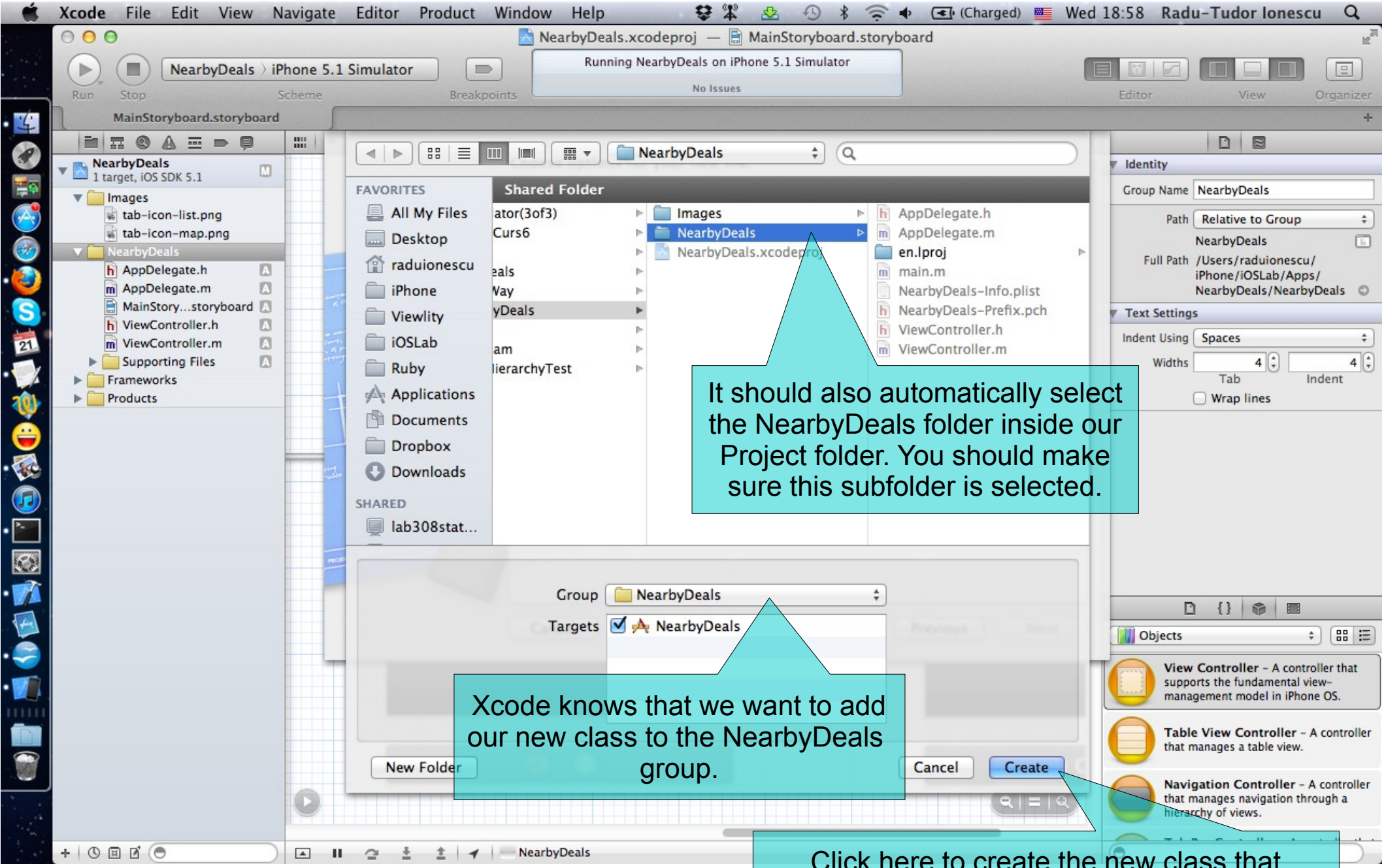

Type in “DealsTableViewController” for the class name. Don't be afraid to use long names for your classes and objects. It is quite common to name a UI class using a suffix that suggests its superclass (in this case “TableViewController”).
We already have a XIB in our Storyboard for this Table View Controller so we don't need another one. Uncheck this option.
Click Next.
We are going to make a subclass of UITableViewController. The UITableViewController class creates a controller object that manages a table view. Note that UITableViewController is a subclass of UIViewController.
Class
DealsTableViewController
Subclass of
UITableViewController
Targeted for iPad
With XIB for user interface
Cancel
Previous
Next


It should also automatically select the NearbyDeals folder inside our Project folder. You should make sure this subfolder is selected.
Xcode knows that we want to add our new class to the NearbyDeals group.
Click here to create the new class that is a subclass of UITableViewController.
New Folder
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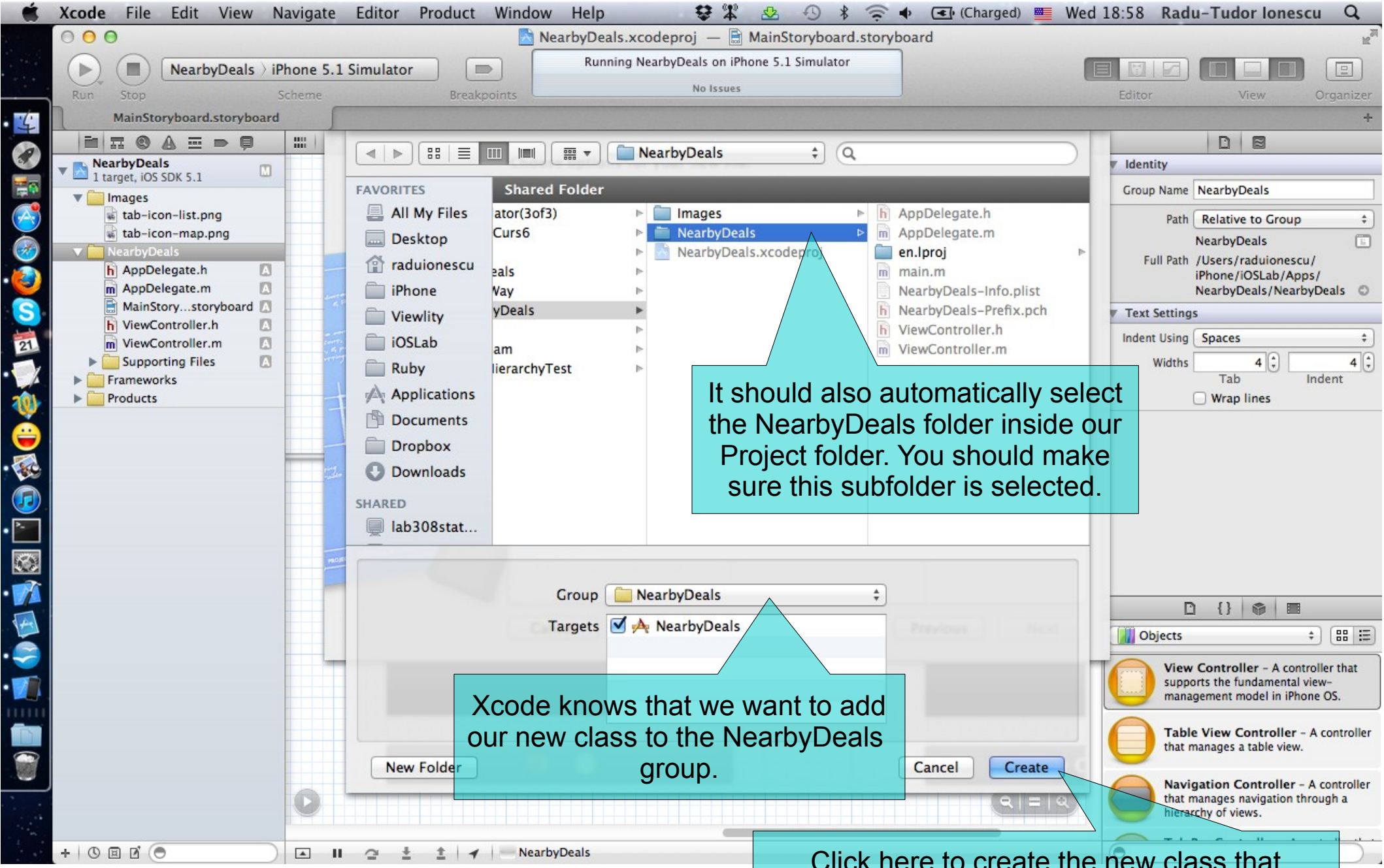
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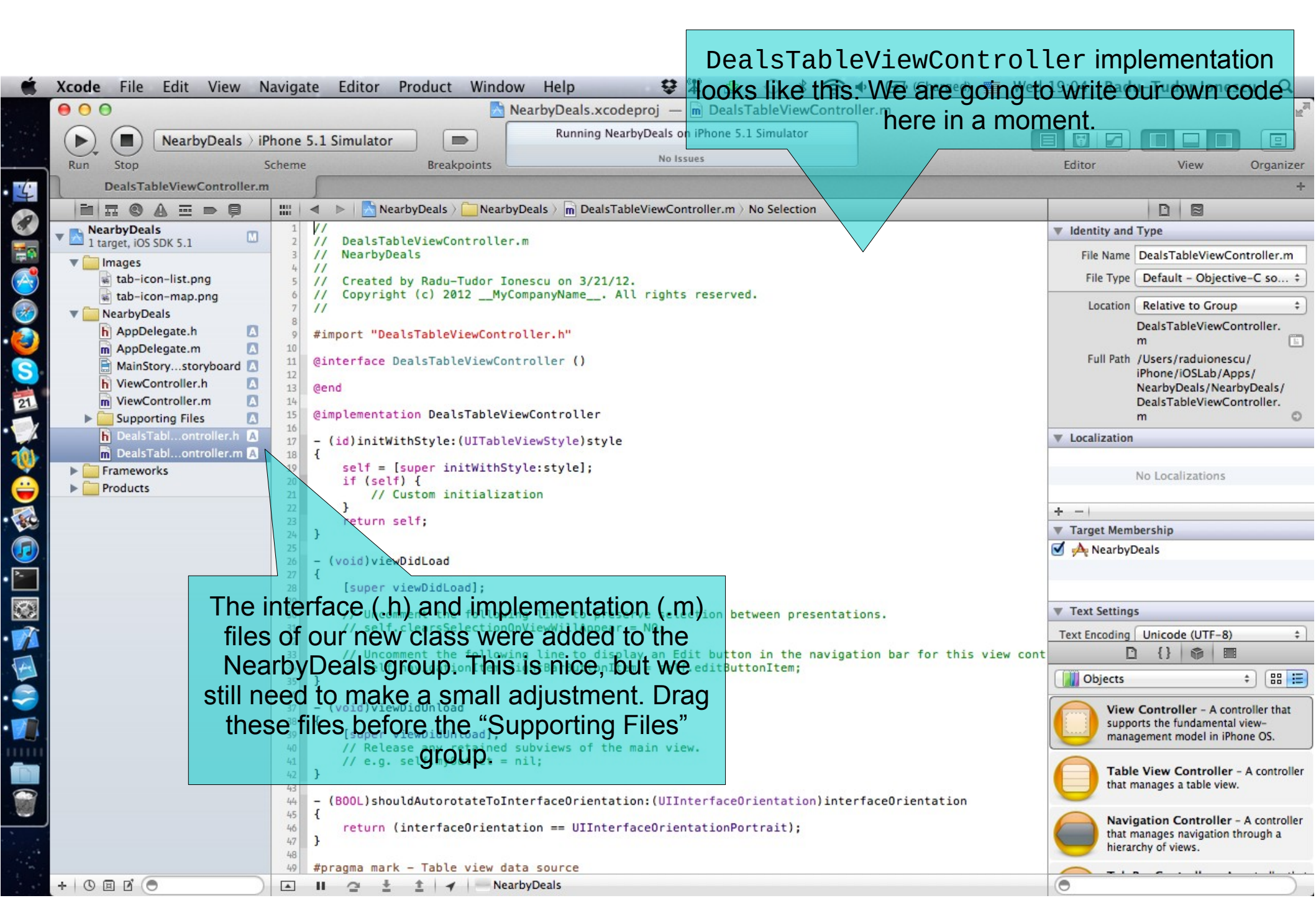
DealsTableViewController implementation looks like this. We are going to write our own code here in a moment.
The interface (.h) and implementation (.m) files of our new class were added to the NearbyDeals group. This is nice, but we still need to make a small adjustment. Drag these files before the “Supporting Files” group.
Xcode File Edit View Navigate Editor Product Window Help
NearbyDeals.xcodeproj
DealsTableViewController.m
Running NearbyDeals on iPhone 5.1 Simulator
No Issues
Run Stop Scheme Breakpoints Editor View Organizer
NearbyDeals iPhone 5.1 Simulator
NearbyDeals
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Supporting Files
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DealsTabl...ontroller.m
Frameworks
Products
NearbyDeals › NearbyDeals › DealsTableViewController.m › No Selection
// DealsTableViewController.m NearbyDeals // Created by Radu-Tudor Ionescu on 3/21/12. // Copyright (c) 2012 __MyCompanyName__. All rights reserved. //
#import "DealsTableViewController.h"
@interface DealsTableViewController ()
@end
@implementation DealsTableViewController
- (id)initWithStyle:(UITableViewStyle)style
{ self = [super initWithStyle:style]; if (self) { // Custom initialization } return self; }
- (void)viewDidLoad
{ [super viewDidLoad];
- (void)viewDidUnload
{ [super viewDidUnload]; // Release any retained subviews of the main view. // e.g. self.myOutlet = nil; }
- (BOOL)shouldAutorotateToInterfaceOrientation:(UIInterfaceOrientation)interfaceOrientation
{ return (interfaceOrientation == UIInterfaceOrientationPortrait); }
#pragma mark - Table view data source
Identity and Type
File Name DealsTableViewController.m
File Type Default - Objective-C so...
Location Relative to Group
DealsTableViewController.m
Full Path /Users/raduionescu/iPhone/iOSLab/Apps/NearbyDeals/NearbyDeals/DealsTableViewController.m
Localization
No Localizations
Target Membership
NearbyDeals
Text Settings
Text Encoding Unicode (UTF-8)
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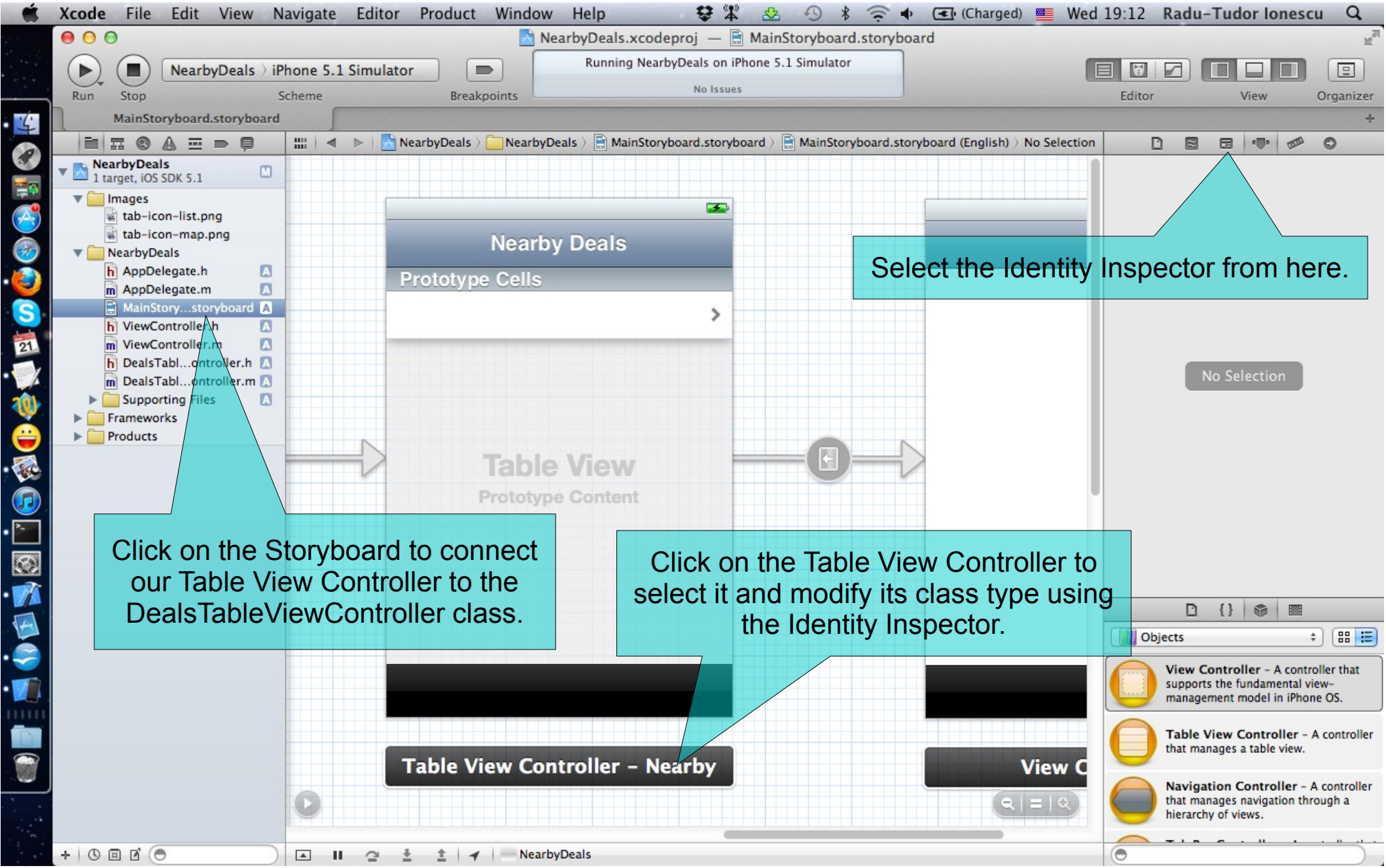
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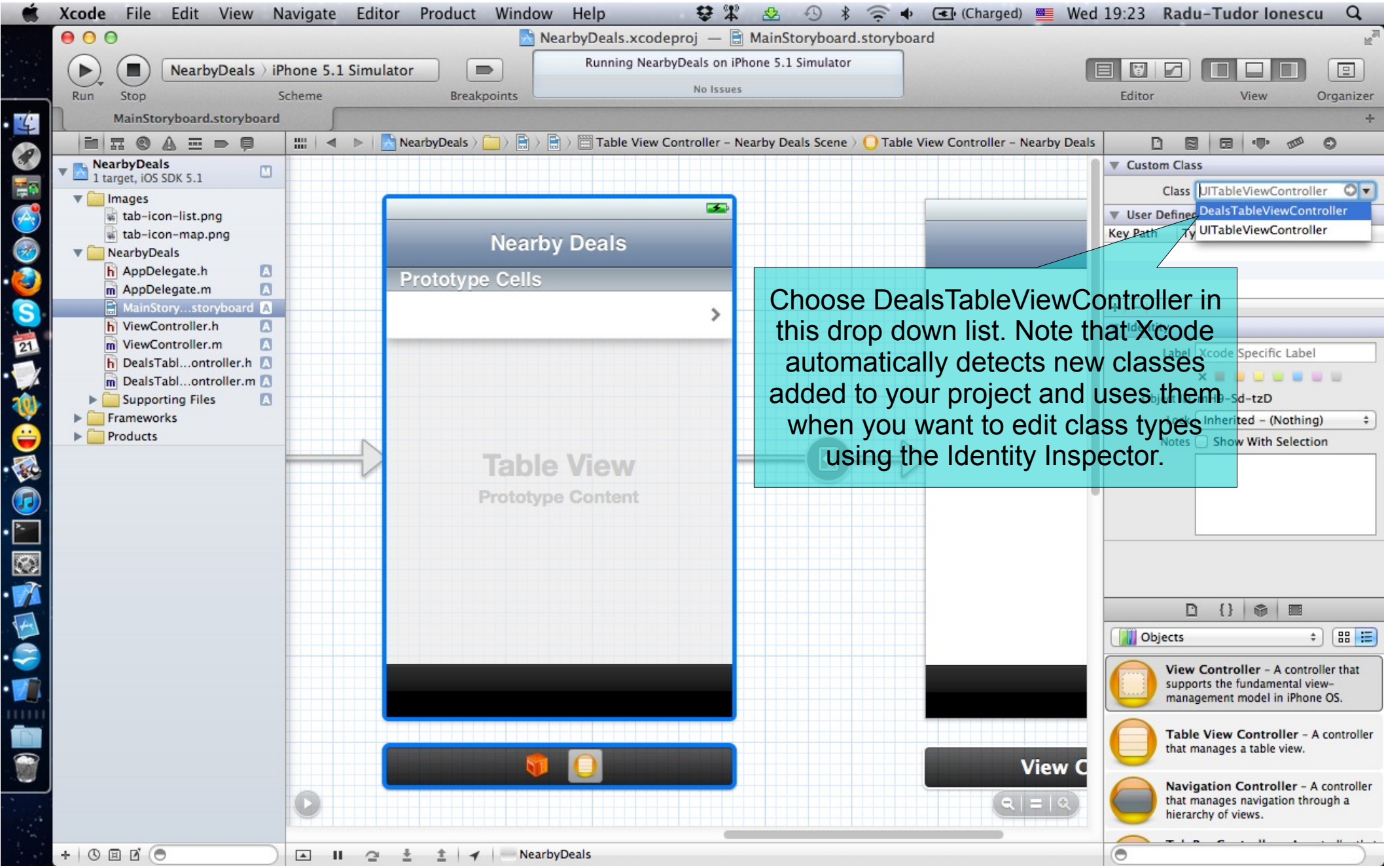
NearbyDeals
Select the Identity Inspector from here.
Click on the Storyboard to connect our Table View Controller to the DealsTableViewController class.
Click on the Table View Controller to select it and modify its class type using the Identity Inspector.


Choose DealsTableViewController in this drop down list. Note that Xcode automatically detects new classes added to your project and uses them when you want to edit class types using the Identity Inspector.
Nearby Deals
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
DealsTableViewController
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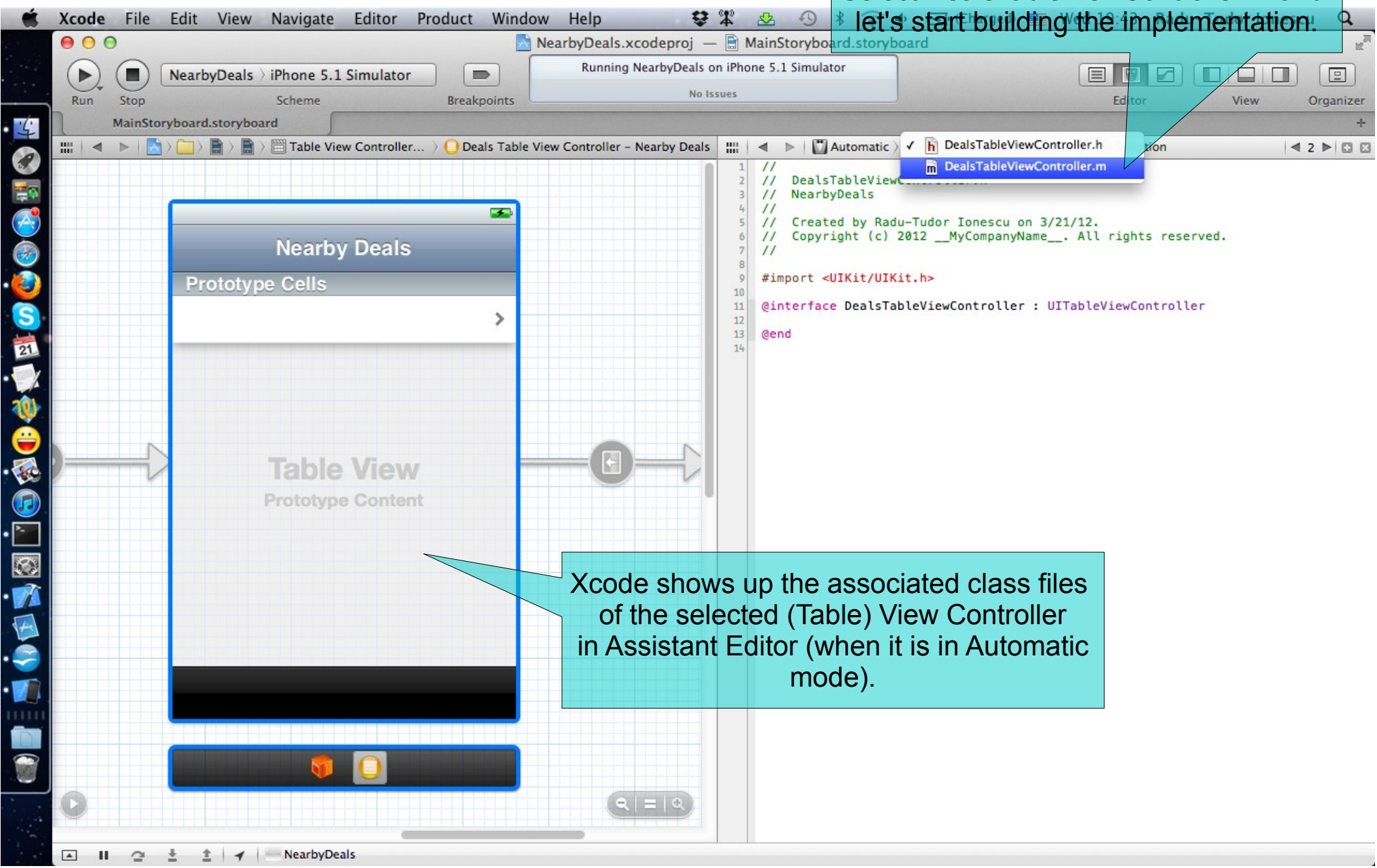
6. Close the Project Navigator and Utilities area to make room for the Assistant Editor.

7. We are going to modify the DealsTableViewController.m file. Open it in Assistant Editor. Note that when you select a View Controller in your Storyboard, Xcode will automatically select its class files in Assistant Editor.

We will add a very simple model to our Table View Controller that will hold the mock-up data that we want to present in our table. We are going to re-implement some of the Table View `dataSource` methods to present the data in our Table View.

The next slides will show you how to do this.


Select DealsTableViewController.m and let's start building the implementation.
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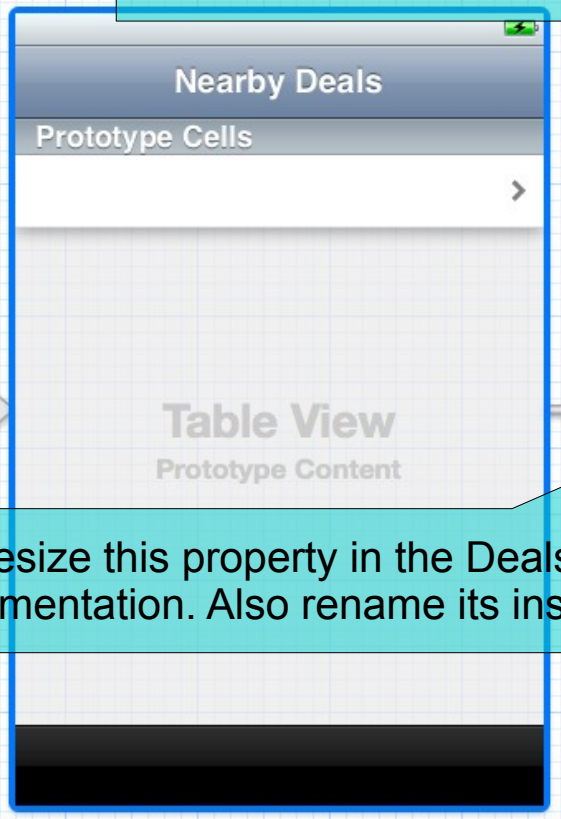
DealsTableViewController.h
DealsTableViewController.m
Nearby Deals
Prototype Cells
Table View
Prototype Content
// DealsTableViewController.h
// NearbyDeals
// Created by Radu-Tudor Ionescu on 3/21/12.
// Copyright (c) 2012 __MyCompanyName__. All rights reserved.
#import <UIKit/UIKit.h>
@interface DealsTableViewController : UITableViewController
@end
Xcode shows up the associated class files of the selected (Table) View Controller in Assistant Editor (when it is in Automatic mode).
NearbyDeals

We should define a private `@property` named `nearbyDeals` that will be a pointer to an `NSArray` object. This will be our model of the Table View Controller.

We keep a `strong` reference to it. Because we hold the only reference to this object it needs to be `strong`, otherwise it will be deallocated to soon.



Synthesize this property in the DealsTableViewController implementation. Also rename its instance variable here.

```objc
//
//  DealsTableViewController.m
//  NearbyDeals
//
//  Created by Radu-Tudor Ionescu on 3/21/12.
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//

#import "DealsTableViewController.h"

@interface DealsTableViewController ()

@property (nonatomic, strong) NSArray *nearbyDeals;

@end

@implementation DealsTableViewController

@synthesize nearbyDeals = _nearbyDeals;

- (id)initWithStyle:(UITableViewStyle)style
{
    self = [super initWithStyle:style];
    if (self) {
        // Custom initialization
    }
    return self;
}

- (void)viewDidLoad
{
    [super viewDidLoad];

    // Uncomment the following line to preserve selection between presentations.
    // self.clearsSelectionOnViewWillAppear = NO;

    // Uncomment the following line to display an Edit button in the navigation bar
    // self.navigationItem.rightBarButtonItem = self.editButtonItem;
}

- (void)viewDidUnload
{
    [super viewDidUnload];
    // Release any retained subviews of the main view.
    // e.g. self.myOutlet = nil;
}

- (BOOL)shouldAutorotateToInterfaceOrientation:(UIInterfaceOrientation)interfaceOrien
{
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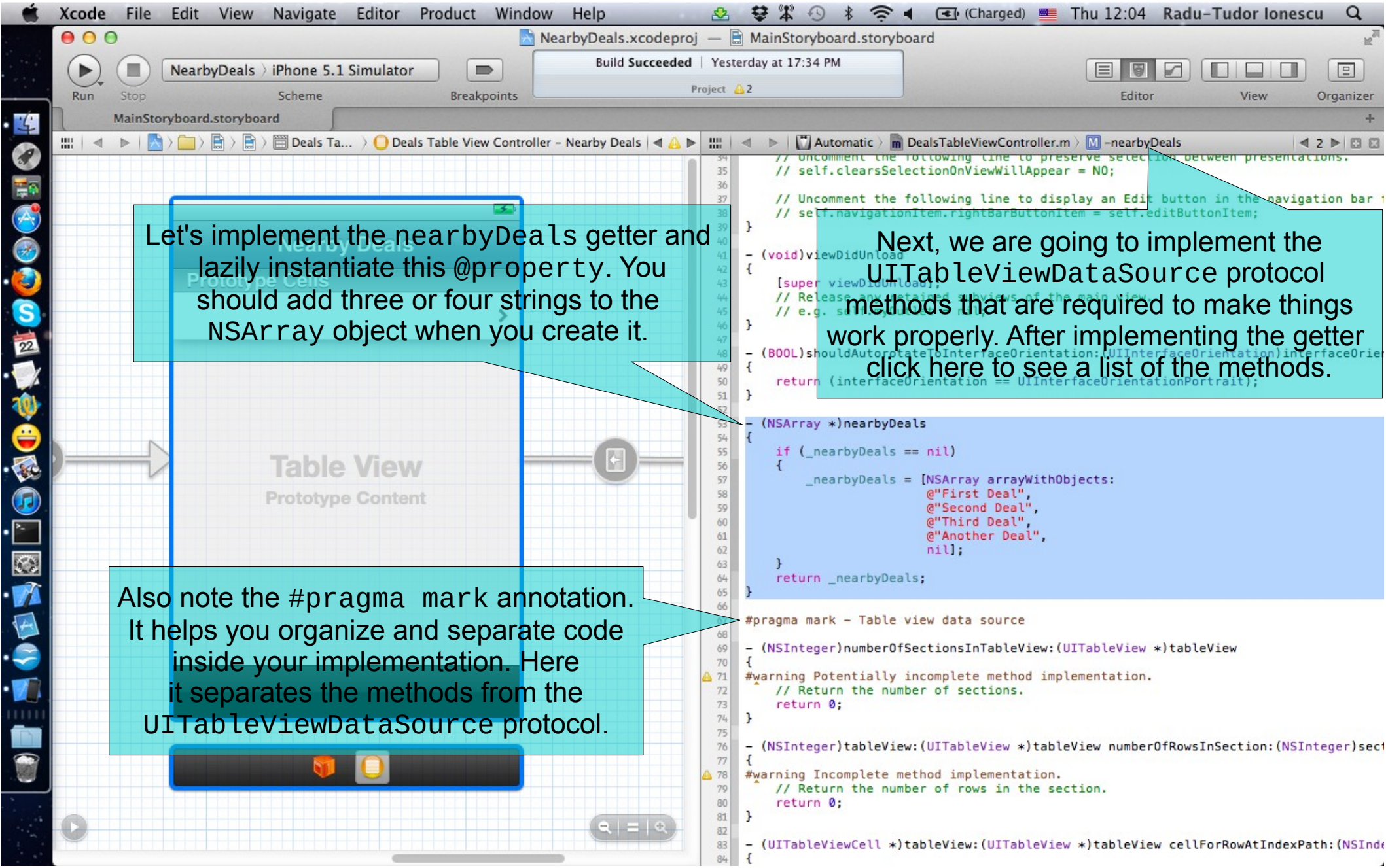
Let's implement the nearbyDeals getter and lazily instantiate this @property. You should add three or four strings to the NSArray object when you create it.
Next, we are going to implement the UITableViewDataSource protocol methods that are required to make things work properly. After implementing the getter click here to see a list of the methods.
Also note the #pragma mark annotation. It helps you organize and separate code inside your implementation. Here it separates the methods from the UITableViewDataSource protocol.
Table View
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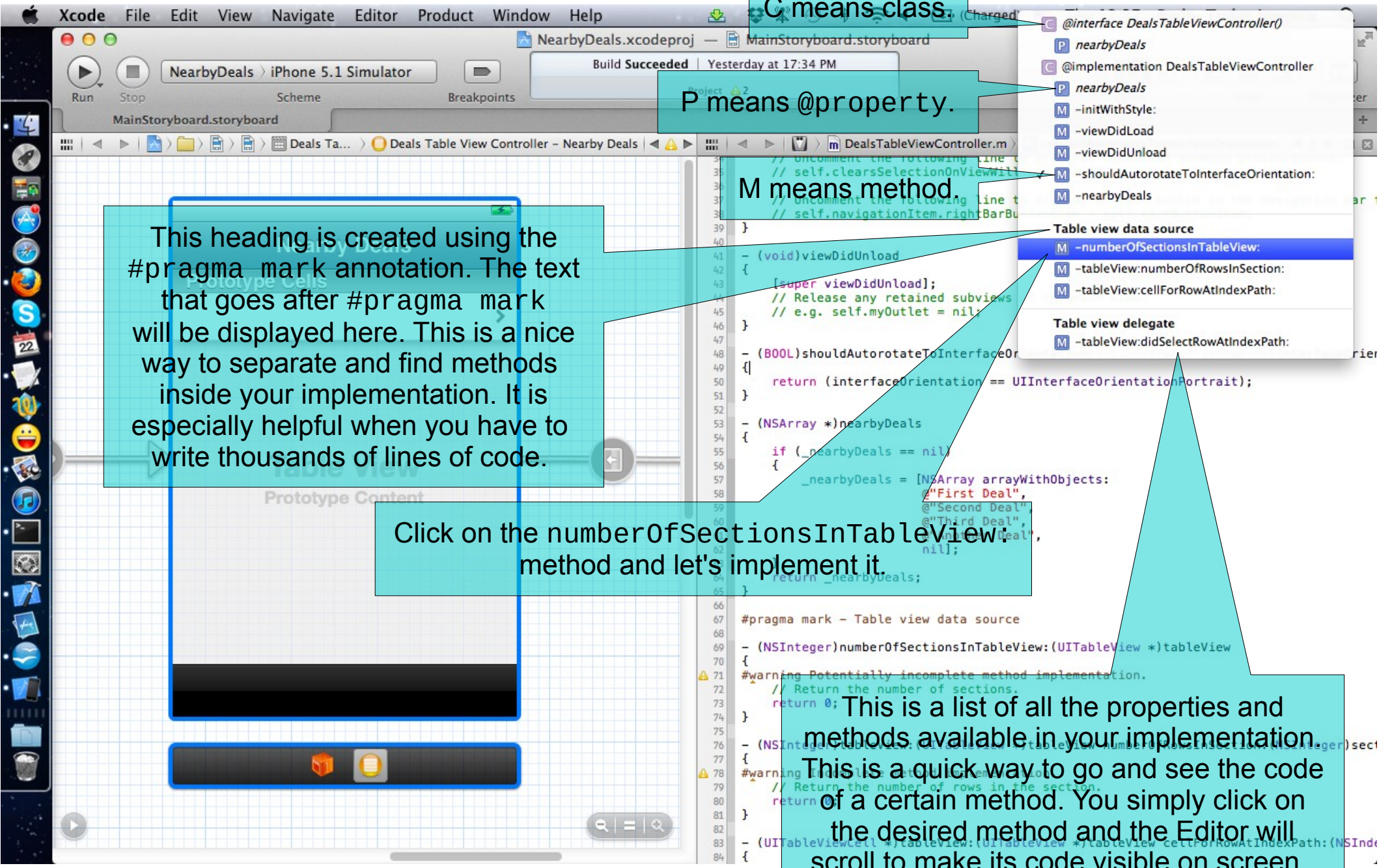
- (NSArray *)nearbyDeals
{
if (_nearbyDeals == nil)
{
_nearbyDeals = [NSArray arrayWithObjects:
@"First Deal",
@"Second Deal",
@"Third Deal",
@"Another Deal",
nil];
}
return _nearbyDeals;
}
#pragma mark - Table view data source


C means class.
P means @property.
M means method.
This heading is created using the #pragma mark annotation. The text that goes after #pragma mark will be displayed here. This is a nice way to separate and find methods inside your implementation. It is especially helpful when you have to write thousands of lines of code.
Click on the numberOfSectionsInTableView: method and let's implement it.
This is a list of all the properties and methods available in your implementation. This is a quick way to go and see the code of a certain method. You simply click on the desired method and the Editor will scroll to make its code visible on screen.
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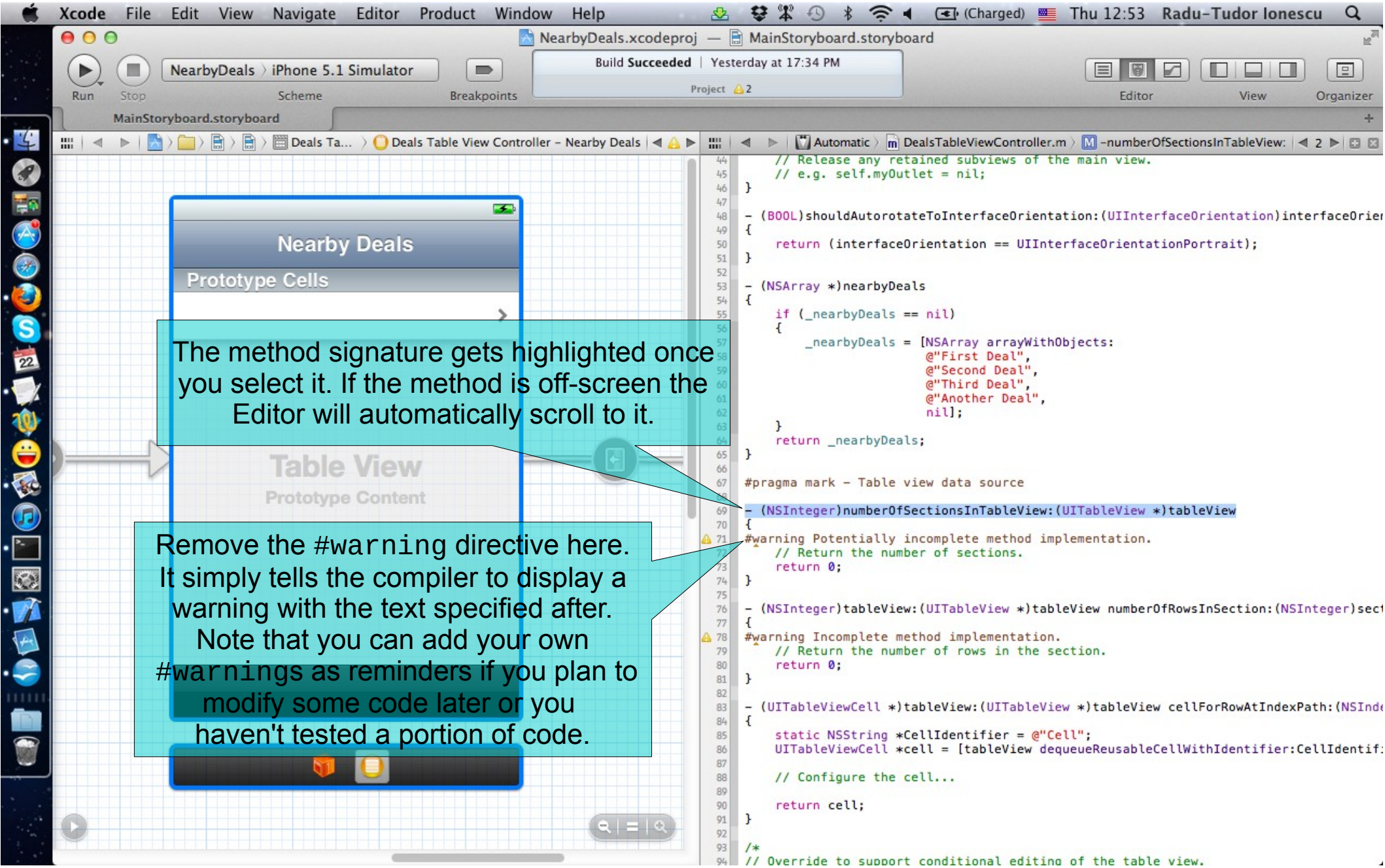
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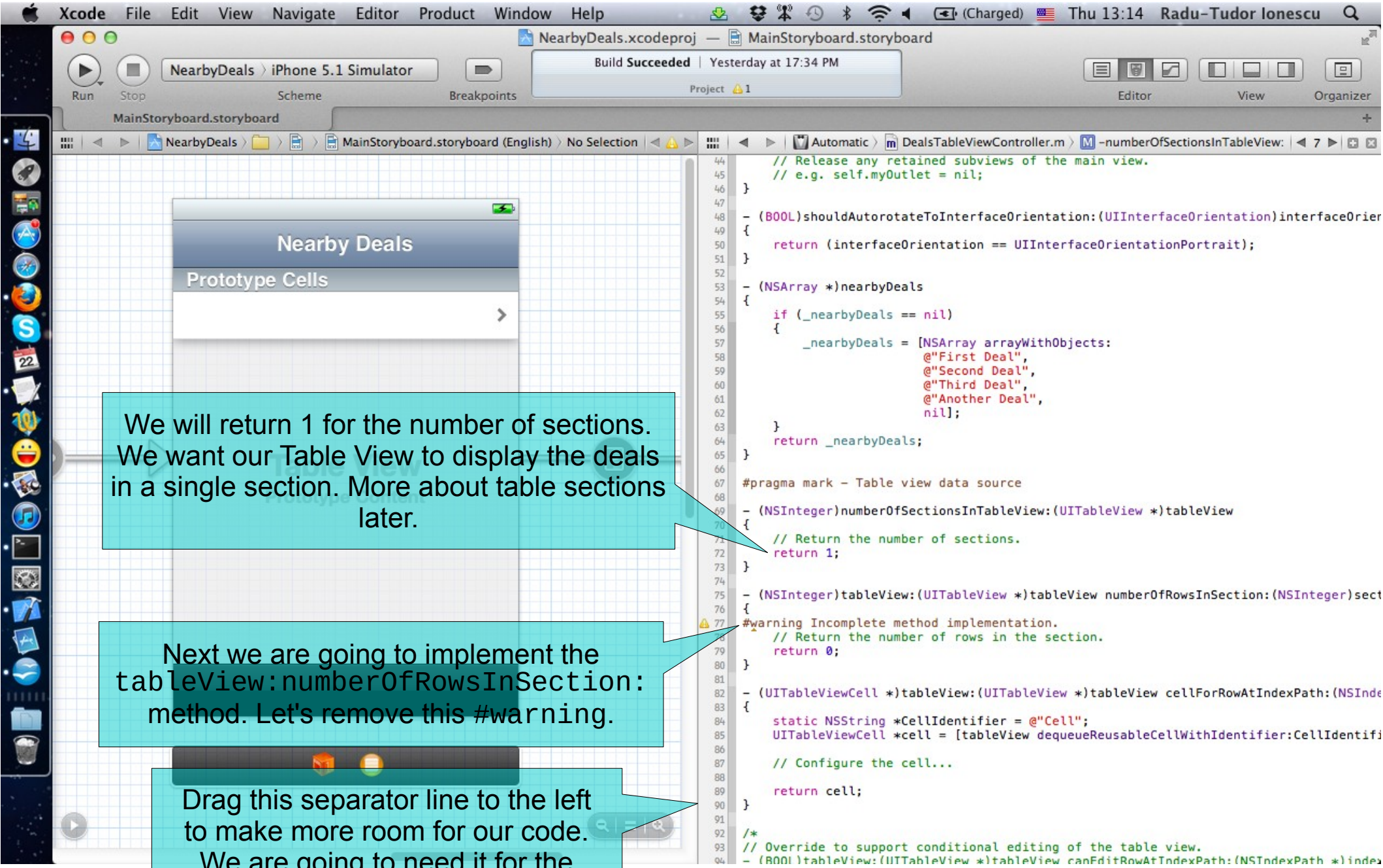
The method signature gets highlighted once you select it. If the method is off-screen the Editor will automatically scroll to it.
Remove the #warning directive here. It simply tells the compiler to display a warning with the text specified after. Note that you can add your own #warnings as reminders if you plan to modify some code later or you haven't tested a portion of code.
// Release any retained subviews of the main view.
// e.g. self.myOutlet = nil;
}
- (BOOL)shouldAutorotateToInterfaceOrientation:(UIInterfaceOrientation)interfaceOrien
{
return (interfaceOrientation == UIInterfaceOrientationPortrait);
}
- (NSArray *)nearbyDeals
{
if (_nearbyDeals == nil)
{
_nearbyDeals = [NSArray arrayWithObjects:
@"First Deal",
@"Second Deal",
@"Third Deal",
@"Another Deal",
nil];
}
return _nearbyDeals;
}
#pragma mark - Table view data source
- (NSInteger)numberOfSectionsInTableView:(UITableView *)tableView
{
#warning Potentially incomplete method implementation.
// Return the number of sections.
return 0;
}
- (NSInteger)tableView:(UITableView *)tableView numberOfRowsInSection:(NSInteger)sect
{
#warning Incomplete method implementation.
// Return the number of rows in the section.
return 0;
}
- (UITableViewCell *)tableView:(UITableView *)tableView cellForRowAtIndexPath:(NSInde
{
static NSString *CellIdentifier = @"Cell";
UITableViewCell *cell = [tableView dequeueReusableCellWithIdentifier:CellIdentif
// Configure the cell...
return cell;
}
/*
// Override to support conditional editing of the table view.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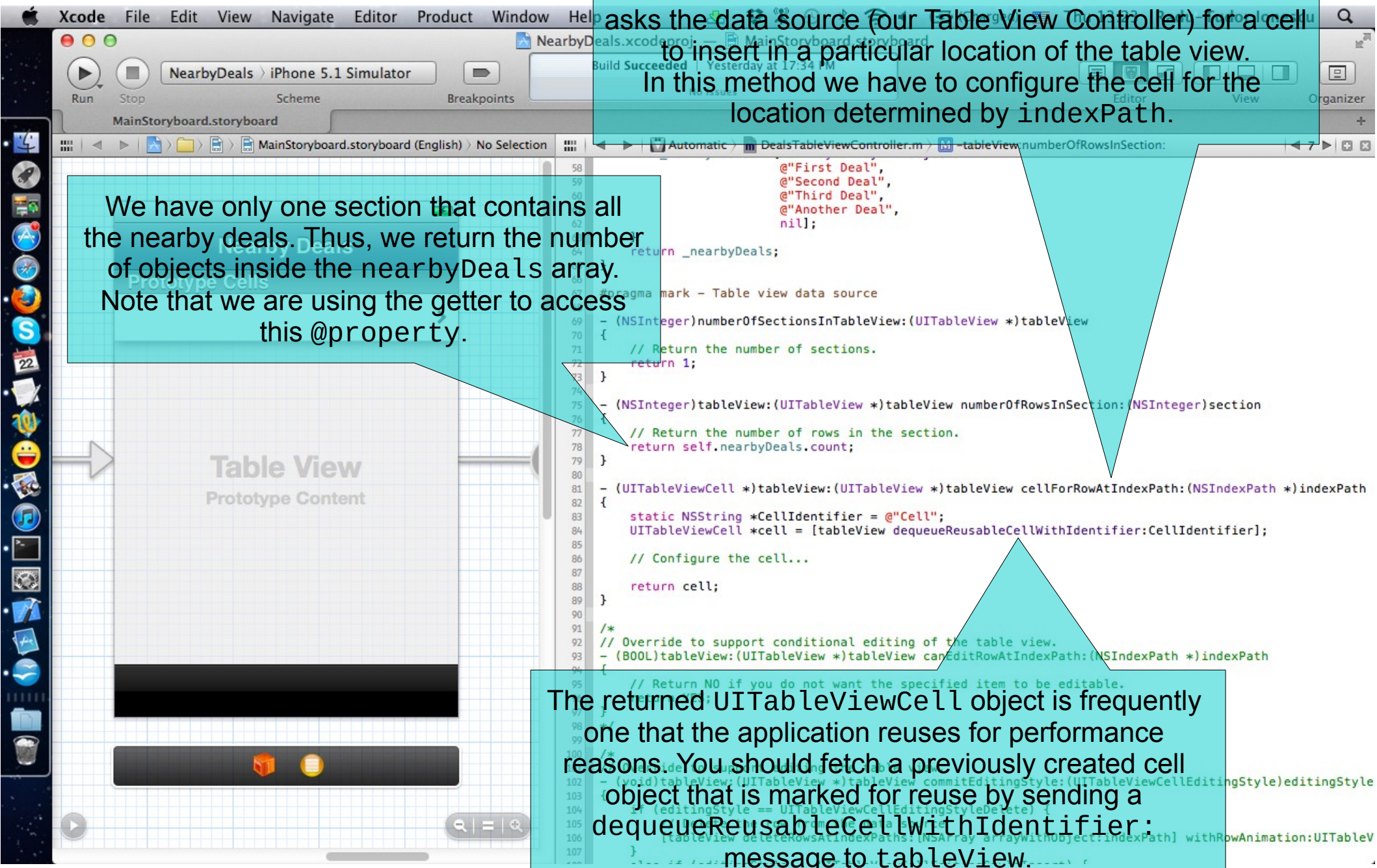
We will return 1 for the number of sections. We want our Table View to display the deals in a single section. More about table sections later.
Next we are going to implement the tableView:numberOfRowsInSection: method. Let's remove this #warning.
Drag this separator line to the left to make more room for our code. We are going to need it for the next two methods.

The `tableView:cellForRowAtIndexPath:` method asks the data source (our Table View Controller) for a cell to insert in a particular location of the table view. In this method we have to configure the cell for the location determined by `indexPath`.

We have only one section that contains all the nearby deals. Thus, we return the number of objects inside the `nearbyDeals` array. Note that we are using the getter to access this `@property`.



The returned `UITableViewCell` object is frequently one that the application reuses for performance reasons. You should fetch a previously created cell object that is marked for reuse by sending a `dequeueReusableCellWithIdentifier:` message to `tableView`.

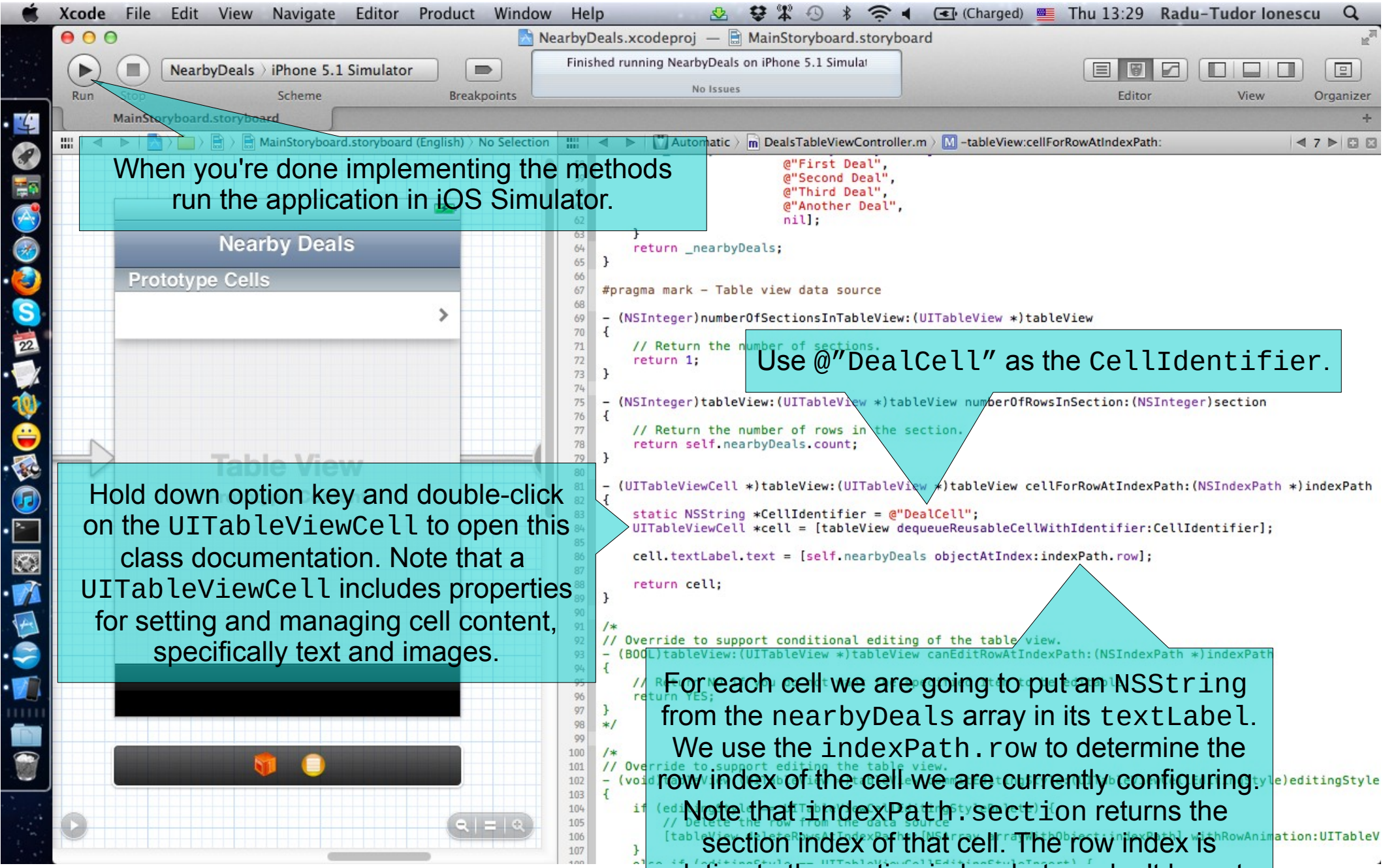

When you're done implementing the methods run the application in iOS Simulator.
Use @"DealCell" as the CellIdentifier.
Hold down option key and double-click on the UITableViewCell to open this class documentation. Note that a UITableViewCell includes properties for setting and managing cell content, specifically text and images.
For each cell we are going to put an NSString from the nearbyDeals array in its textLabel. We use the indexPath.row to determine the row index of the cell we are currently configuring. Note that indexPath.section returns the section index of that cell. The row index is relative to the section index, but we don't have to worry about this since we only have one section.
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Table View

Assignment 1

Assignment: Add enough mock-up deals when creating the `nearbyDeals` array so that the Table View will have to use scrolling to display all its cells.

Hint: You should add more than 9 objects to the `NSArray` that is the Model of our Table View Controller.

Congratulations!