

PlayingCard Class

Create A Subclass of Card

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

PlayingCard.m

Let's see what it's like to make a subclass of one of our own classes. In this example, a subclass of Card specific to a playing card (e.g. A♠).

Make Sure To Have Correct Imports

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"  
  
@interface PlayingCard : Card
```

Of course we must `#import` our superclass.

And `#import` our own header file in our implementation file.

```
@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"  
  
@implementation PlayingCard
```

```
@end
```

Define The Properties

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard
```

A PlayingCard has some properties that a vanilla Card doesn't have. Namely, the PlayingCard's suit and rank.

@end

More About PlayingCard Properties

Objective-C

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PlayingCard.m

```
#import "Card.h"
```

```
@interface PlayingCard : Card
```

```
@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;  
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;
```

```
@end
```

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"
```

```
@implementation PlayingCard
```

We'll represent the suit as an `NSString` that simply contains a single character corresponding to the suit (i.e. one of these characters: ♠ ♣ ♥ ♦). If this property is `nil`, it'll mean "suit not set".

We'll represent the rank as an integer from 0 (rank not set) to 13 (a King).

`NSUInteger` is a typedef for an unsigned integer.

We could just use the C type `unsigned int` here. It's mostly a style choice. Many people like to use `NSUInteger` and `NSInteger` in public API and `unsigned int` and `int` inside implementation. But be careful, `int` is 32 bits, `NSInteger` might be 64 bits. If you have an `NSInteger` that is really big (i.e. > 32 bits worth) it could get truncated if you assign it to an `int`. Probably safer to use one or the other everywhere.

```
@end
```

Override The Getter For contents Property

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PlayingCard.h

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    return [NSString stringWithFormat:@"%d%@", self.rank, self.suit];
}
```

Users of our `PlayingCard` class might well simply access `suit` and `rank` properties directly. But we can also support our superclass's `contents` property by overriding the getter to return a suitable (no pun intended) `NSString`.

Even though we are overriding the implementation of the `contents` method, we are not re-declaring the `contents` property in our header file. We'll just inherit that declaration from our superclass.

@end

stringWithFormat Method

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

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#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
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Even though we are overriding the implementation of the `contents` method, we are not re-declaring the `contents` property in our header file. We'll just inherit that declaration from our superclass.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    return [NSString stringWithFormat:@"%d%@", self.rank, self.suit];
}
```

The method `stringWithFormat:` is an `NSString` method that's sort of like using the C function `printf` to create the string.

Note we are creating an `NSString` here in a different way than `alloc/init`. We'll see more about "class methods" like `stringWithFormat:` a little later.

@end

Limitation of Current Implementation

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```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    return [NSString stringWithFormat:@"%d%@", self.rank, self.suit];
}
```

Calling the getters of our two properties
(rank and suit) on our `self`.

But this is a pretty bad representation of the card
(e.g., it would say 11♣ instead of J♣ and 1♥ instead of A♥).

@end

A Fix To The Problem

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}
```

We'll create an `NSArray` of `NSString`s, each of which corresponds to a given rank.

Again, 0 will be "rank not set" (so we'll use ?).
11, 12 and 13 will be J Q K and 1 will be A.

Then we'll create our "J♠" string by appending (with the `stringByAppendingString:` method) the suit onto the end of the string we get by looking in the array.

@end

More About @

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```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @"?",@"A",@"2",@"3",...,@"10",@"J",@"Q",@"K";
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}
```

Notice the `@[]` notation to create an array.

Here's the array-accessing `[]` notation again
(like we used with `self.cards[index]` earlier).

Also note the `@""` notation to create a (constant) `NSString`.

All of these notations are converted into normal message-sends by the compiler.
For example, `@[...]` is `[[NSArray alloc] initWithObjects:...]`.
`rankStrings[self.rank]` is `[rankStrings objectAtIndexedSubscript:self.rank]`.

@end

Modify suit Getter To Return "?" When Not Set

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
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@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}
```

This is nice because a "not yet set" rank shows up as ?.

But what about a "not yet set" suit?
Let's override the getter for suit to make a suit of nil return ?.

Yet another nice use for properties versus direct instance variables.

```
- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```


Modify suit Setter To Protect Against Invalid Content

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Let's take this a little further and override the setter for suit to have it check to be sure no one tries to set a suit to something invalid.

Sending Message To An NSArray Created by @[]

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- (NSString *)contents
{
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}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Notice that we can embed the array creation as the target of this message send. We're simply sending `containsObject:` to the array created by the `@[]`.

`containsObject:` is an `NSArray` method.

Problem With Implementing BOTH The Setter And The Getter For A Property

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PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;
```

@end

But there's a problem here now.
A compiler warning will be generated
if we do this.

Why?

Because if you implement BOTH the
setter and the getter for a property,
then you have to create the instance
variable for the property yourself.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Must Synthesize The suit Property

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PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

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PlayingCard.m

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#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Luckily, the compiler can help with this
using the `@synthesize` directive.

If you implement only the setter OR
the getter (or neither), the compiler
adds this `@synthesize` for you.

Only Access _PropertyName From Setter & Getter

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```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@"♥", @"♦", @"♣", @"♠"] containsObject:suit) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

You should only ever access the instance variable directly ...

... in the property's setter ...

... in its getter ...

... or in an initializer (more on this later).

Class Methods

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

All of the methods we've seen so far are "instance methods". They are methods sent to instances of a class. But it is also possible to create methods that are sent to the class itself. Usually these are either creation methods (like `alloc` or `stringWithFormat:`) or utility methods.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Our First Class Method

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

Class methods start with +
Instance methods start with -

Here's an example of a class utility method which returns an NSArray of the NSStrings which are valid suits (e.g. ♠, ♣, ♥, and ♦).

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

+ (NSArray *)validSuits
{
    return
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"] containsObject:suit) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

Since a class method is not sent to an instance, we cannot reference our properties in here (since properties represent per-instance storage).

Move The NSArray To The validSuits Method

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

Here's an example of a class utility method which returns an NSArray of the NSStrings which are valid suits (e.g. ♠, ♣, ♥, and ♦).

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

+ (NSArray *)validSuits
{
    return @[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([
        _suit = suit;
    ]) {
        containsObject:suit]) {
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

We actually already have the array of valid suits, so let's just move that up into our new class method.

Call validSuits From The Setter

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

Now let's invoke our new class method here.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

+ (NSArray *)validSuits
{
    return @[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([[PlayingCard validSuits] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

See how the name of the class appears in the place you'd normally see a pointer to an instance of an object?

Notice How A Class Method Is Invoked

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PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

@end
```

Now let's invoke our new class method here.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

+ (NSArray *)validSuits
{
    return @[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([[PlayingCard validSuits] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```

See how the name of the class appears in the place you'd normally see a pointer to an instance of an object?

It'd probably be instructive to go back and look at the invocation of the `NSString` class method `stringWithFormat:` a few slides ago.

Also, make sure you understand that `stringByAppendingString:` above is not a class method, it is an instance method.

You Can Make A Class Method Public

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;

@end
```

The `validSuits` class method might be useful to users of our `PlayingCard` class, so let's make it public.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter

+ (NSArray *)validSuits
{
    return @[@"♥", @"♦", @"♠", @"♣"];
}

- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit
{
    if ([[PlayingCard validSuits] containsObject:suit]) {
        _suit = suit;
    }
}

- (NSString *)suit
{
    return _suit ? _suit : @"?";
}

@end
```


Collapse Methods To Make Room

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;

@end
```

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }
```

@end

Our Second Class Method

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;

@end
```

Let's move our other array
(the strings of the ranks)
into a class method too.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings =
        return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }

+ (NSArray *)rankStrings
{
    return @"?","A","2","3",...,"10","J","Q","K";
}

@end
```

Invoke Our New Class Method

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;

@end
```

We'll leave this one private because the public API for the rank is purely numeric.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = [PlayingCard rankStrings];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }

+ (NSArray *)rankStrings
{
    return @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
}

@end
```

And now let's call that class method.

Note that we are not required to declare this earlier in the file than we use it.

Our Third Class Method Is Also Public

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;
+ (NSUInteger)maxRank;

@end
```

But here's another class method that might be good to make public.

So we'll add it to the header file.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = [PlayingCard rankStrings];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }

+ (NSArray *)rankStrings
{
    return @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
}

+ (NSUInteger)maxRank { return [[self rankStrings] count]-1; }

@end
```

Use Our New Class Method In The rank Setter

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;
+ (NSUInteger)maxRank;

@end
```

And, finally, let's use maxRank inside the setter for the rank @property to make sure the rank is never set to an improper value.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = [PlayingCard rankStrings];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }

+ (NSArray *)rankStrings
{
    return @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
}

+ (NSUInteger)maxRank { return [[self rankStrings] count]-1; }

- (void)setRank:(NSUInteger)rank
{
    if (rank <= [PlayingCard maxRank]) {
        _rank = rank;
    }
}

@end
```

That's It For PlayingCard

Objective-C

PlayingCard.h

```
#import "Card.h"

@interface PlayingCard : Card

@property (strong, nonatomic) NSString *suit;
@property (nonatomic) NSUInteger rank;

+ (NSArray *)validSuits;
+ (NSUInteger)maxRank;

@end
```

That's it for our PlayingCard. It's a good example of array notation, @synthesize, class methods, and using getters and setters for validation.

PlayingCard.m

```
#import "PlayingCard.h"

@implementation PlayingCard

- (NSString *)contents
{
    NSArray *rankStrings = [PlayingCard rankStrings];
    return [rankStrings[self.rank] stringByAppendingString:self.suit];
}

@synthesize suit = _suit; // because we provide setter AND getter
+ (NSArray *)validSuits { ... }
- (void)setSuit:(NSString *)suit { ... }
- (NSString *)suit { ... }

+ (NSArray *)rankStrings
{
    return @[@"?", @"A", @"2", @"3", ..., @"10", @"J", @"Q", @"K"];
}

+ (NSUInteger)maxRank { return [[self rankStrings] count]-1; }

- (void)setRank:(NSUInteger)rank
{
    if (rank <= [PlayingCard maxRank]) {
        _rank = rank;
    }
}

@end
```

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