Adding Apple IR Remote Support to Your App

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Rule #1 of Programming

- Everything should be code.
- Perhaps that's why I like LATEX so much.
 - (Or perhaps it's because MS Word and Endnote bite.)
- Ergo...

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LATEX slides—beamer

 The LATEX beamer "document class" allows you to easily create slides with notes:

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 Toggle to notes screen by holding Play/Pause button on remote.

Apple IR Remote Support

- Splitshow didn't have Apple IR Remote Support
- I added it using classes by Martin Kahr:
- http://www.martinkahr.com/source-code

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Implementing Apple IR Remote Support

- Add the class files to your project
- Add the Carbon Framework (the IR classes dig into IOKit and Carbon)
- Create a class to be a delegate to both NSApplication and RemoteControl
 - Or you can use RemoteControlContainer instead of RemoteControl and get Keyspan support for free

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 Now your Cocoa Application has Apple Remote support :)

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