# Android - TabLayout

- TabLayout is a way to switch between important views.
- TabLayout bar is a collection TabLayout. Tab instances.
  - Creating a tab is done with the newTab () function.
  - After a tab is created its text and icon can be set.
- To have a scrolling TabLayout, TabLayout.MODE\_SCROLLABLE can be passed to setTabMode
- In order to detect tab selections, a TabLayout.OnTabSelectedListener must be attached to the TabLayout bar.

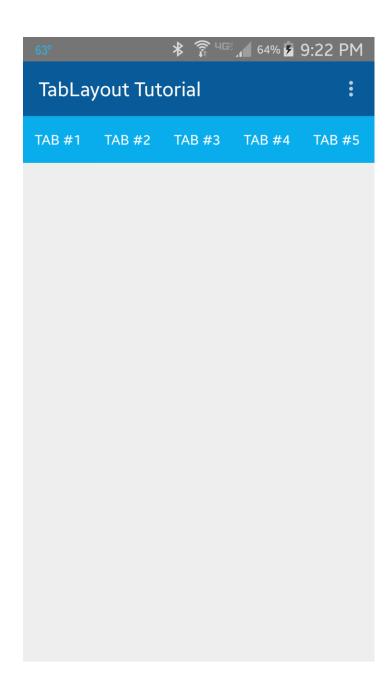
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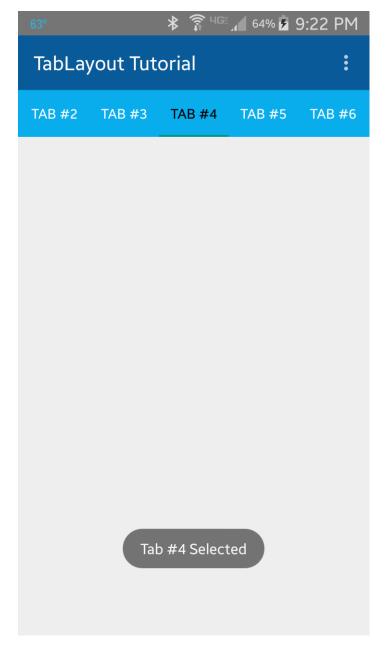
- When implementing TabLayout.OnTabSelectedListener three functions will be overridden.
  - onTabSelected
  - OnTabReselected
  - OntabUnSelected
- Care should be taken when implementing on TabSelected and on TabUnSelected. Both these functions are called when changing tabs.
- This is demonstrated via Log.d function calls. Application tag is TabLayout.
- When a Tab is selected a Toast is shown displaying which Tab is selected.

### Android – TabLayout - Toolbar

- In res/layout/toolbar.xml the layout of a Toolbar is defined.
- Since the release of Material Design, a Toolbar can be seen as a generalization of the Action bar.
  - An Action bar is now a special kind of toolbar
  - Toolbar is now apart of your view hierarchy
  - It is no longer tied to an Activity's color scheme
  - Can be placed anywhere
  - Is highly customizable
- When using the Toolbar from the support library, your MainActivity should extend AppCompatActivity
- The Application theme also needs to set to Theme. AppCompat. NoActionBar
  - Theme.AppCompat.Light.NoActionBar can be used if app should have Light theme (what's used in tutorial).

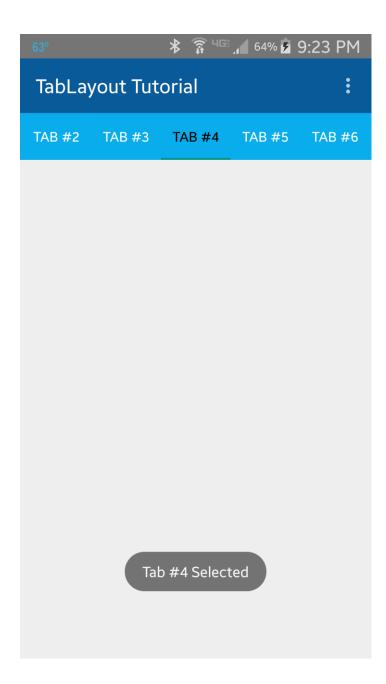
Initial
TabLayout
showing 5 of
the 8 tabs.

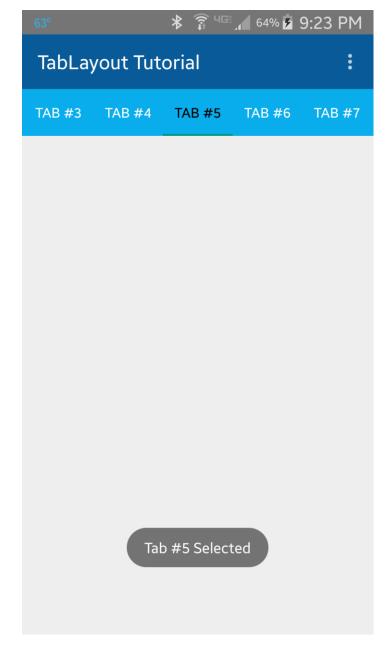




When selecting tab 4, a Toast is shown recognizing the tab selection.

When selecting tab #4, when tabs 1-5 are shown, the tab bar is autoscrolled one tab,





When selecting tab #5, when tabs 1-5 are shown, the tab bar is autoscrolled two tabs.

#### References

- <u>TabLayout</u>
- <u>Toolbar</u>
- <u>TabLayout.OnTabSelectedListener</u>

### Exercise