

# Lesson 5

# List-Based Widgets: Lists, Grids, and Scroll Views

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# **List-Based Widgets** Showing a large set of choices on the GUI **Golf Iron Woods DATA** Raw data Formatted Golf Miguel\_Tiger & bound Golf Pine Ridge DATA **ADAPTER** The Android **DataAdapter** class is used to feed a collection of data items to a List-Based Widget. The Adapter 's raw data may come from a variety **Destination layout** of sources, such as small arrays as well as large Holding a ListView databases. 5 - 3

# **List-Based Widgets**

# **GUI Design for Selection Making**

RadioButtons and CheckButtons are widgets suitable for selecting options
offered by a small set of choices. They are intuitive and uncomplicated;

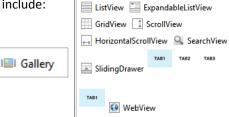
however they occupy a permanent space on the GUI (which is not a problem when only a few of them are shown)



When the set of values to choose from is large, other Android List-Based
 Widgets are more appropriate.

Example of List-Based Widgets include:

- ListViews.
- Spinner,
- GridView
- Image Gallery
- ScrollViews, etc.



Composite

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# List-Based App = ListView + Data + DataAdapter

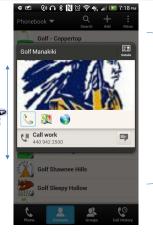
#### ListViews

The Android **ListView** widget is the most common element used to display data supplied by a **data adapter**.

ListViews are scrollable, each item from the base data set can be shown in an individual row.

Users can tap on a row to make a selection.

A row could display one or more lines of text as well as images.



Destination layout Holding a **ListView** 

# List-Based App = ListView + Data + DataAdapter

#### ArrayAdapter (A Data Beautifier)

- An ArrayAdapter<T> accepts for input an array (or ArrayList) of objects of some arbitrary type T.
- The adapter works on each object by (a) applying its toString()
  method, and (b) moving its formatted output string to a TextView.
- The formatting operation is guided by a user supplied XML layout specification which defines the appearance of the receiving TextView.
- For ListViews showing complex arrangement of visual elements –such as text plus images- you need to provide a custom made adapter in which the getView(...) method explains how to manage the placement of each data fragment in the complex layout. For a detailed sample see Example 8.

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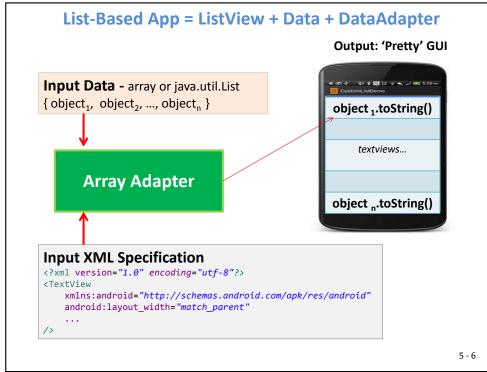
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# List-Based App = ListView + Data + DataAdapter

#### Using the ArrayAdapter<String> Class

#### Parameters:

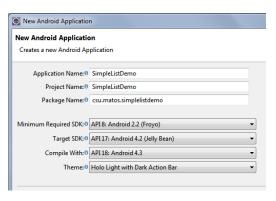
- 1. The current activity's **context (this)**
- 2. The **TextView** layout indicating how an individual row should be written (android.R.id.simple\_list\_item\_1).
- 3. The actual data source (Array or Java.List containing items to be shown).



# **Using ListActivity + ArrayAdapter**

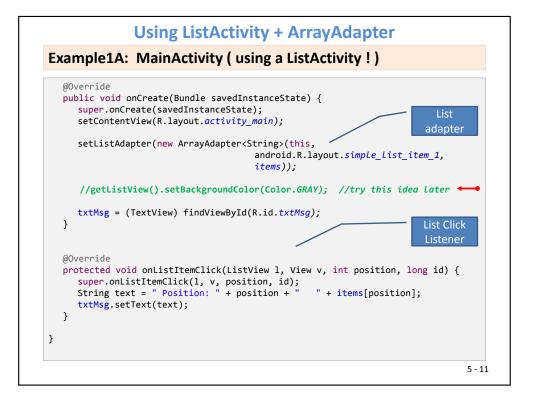
# Example1A: ListView showing a simple list (plain text)

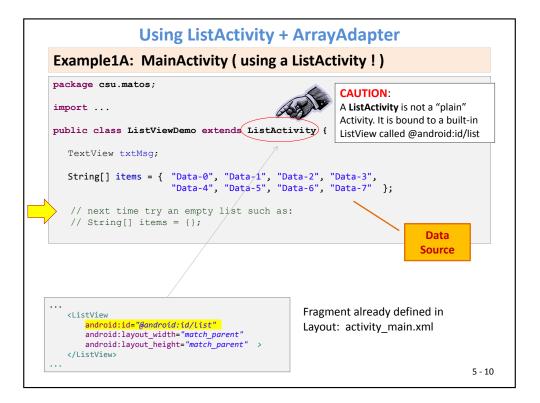
Assume a large collection of input data items is held in a **String[]** array. Each row of the ListView must show a line of text taken from the array. In our example, when the user makes a selection, you must display on a TextView the selected item and its position in the list.

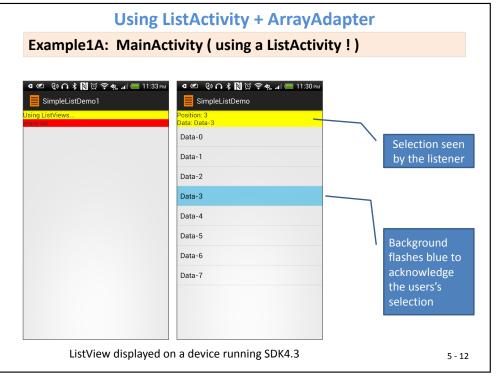




#### **Using ListActivity + ArrayAdapter** Example1A: Layout <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools" android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout\_height="match\_parent" Pay attention to the use of predefined android:orientation="vertical"> Android components: <TextView @android:id/list android:id="@+id/txtMsg" @android:id/empty android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:background="#ffffff00" See Appendix A for a description of android:text="Using ListViews..." @android:id/list android:textSize="16sp" /> <ListView android:id="@android:id/list" Android's built-in list layout android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout\_height="match\_parent" > </ListView> <TextView **Used for empty lists** android:id="@android:id/empty" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:background="#ffff0000" android:text="empty list" /> </LinearLayout>







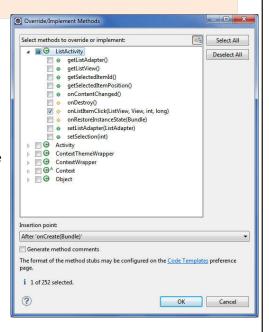
# **Using ListActivity + ArrayAdapter**

# A Comment on Example1A

# Using Eclipse & ADT. A simple way to add new code

Assume you have NOT written the click listener yet. In order to easily add a listener (or any other valid method) to the ListActivity class under construction do this:

- Position the cursor in between the end of the onCreate method and the end of the class.
- On the Eclipse Tool Bar Menu click Source > Override/Implement Methods... >
- 3. A list of pertinent methods is shown.
- Check onListItemClick > Ok
- Add your actions to the selected method.



# **Using ListActivity + ArrayAdapter**

#### Another code experiment based on Example1A

- 1. Open the AndroidManifest.xml file. Under the <Application> tag look for the clause <a href="mailto:android:theme="@style/AppTheme">android:theme="@style/AppTheme"</a>
- 3. Remove from the manifest the entry *android:theme*.
- Remove from the onCreate method the statement: getListView().setBackgroundColor(Color.GRAY);
- 3. Run the application again. Observe its new look.



# **Using ListActivity + ArrayAdapter**

# An experiment based on Example1A

 Open the AndroidManifest.xml file. Under the <Application> tag look for the clause

android:theme="@style/AppTheme"

. Change the previous line to the following value android:theme="@android:style/Theme.Black"

3. Try some of the other styles, such as:

Theme.DeviceDefault

Theme.Dialog

Theme.Holo

Theme.Light

Theme.Panel

Theme.Translucent

Theme.Wallpaper

etc.



# **Using Activity + ArrayAdapter**

#### Example1B: Using Activity & ArrayAdapter

- You may use a common **Activity** class instead of a **ListActivity**.
- The Layout below uses a ListView identified as @+id/my\_list (instead of @android:id/list used in the previous Example1).

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
   xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
   android:layout width="match parent"
   android:layout_height="match_parent"
   android:orientation="vertical" >
   <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsa"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:background="#fffff00'
       android:text="Using ListViews..."
        android:textSize="16sp" />
   <br/>t
                                                   wrap_content
       android:id="@+id/my_list"
                                                   to see limitations
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
       android:layout_height="match_parent"
   </listViews
</LinearLayout>
                                                                                              5 - 16
```

# **Using Activity + ArrayAdapter**

**Example1B:** Instead of using a **ListActivity** (as we did on the previous example) we now employ a regular Android Activity. Observe that you must 'wired-up' the ListView to a Java proxy, and later bind it to an Adapter.

#### Example 1B - MainActivity 1 of 2 public class ListViewDemo2 extends Activity { String[] items = { "Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3", "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7" }; ListView myListView; TextView txtMsg; @Override public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) { super.onCreate(savedInstanceState); setContentView(R.layout.activity main); myListView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.my\_List); ArrayAdapter<String> aa = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple list item 1, // R.layout.my\_text, //try this later... myListView.setAdapter(aa); txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsg); }//onCreate 5 - 17

# **Using Activity + ArrayAdapter**

#### **Example1C:** Custom ListView

You may want to modify the ListView control to use your own GUI design. For instance, you may replace

> android.R.layout.simple list item 1 with R.layout.my\_custom\_text.

Where my custom text is the Layout specification listed below (held in the res/layout folder). It defines how each row is to be shown.

```
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<?xml version="1.0" encodina="utf-8"?>
                                                                SimpleListDemo
<TextView
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
                                                                Data-0
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
                                                                Data-1
    android:layout_margin="2dp"
    android:paddingTop="5dp"
                                                                Data-2
    android:padding="5dp"
    android:textColor="#ffff0000"
                                                                Data-3
    android:background="#22ff0000"
    android:textSize="35sp" />
```

Note: As of SDK4.0 a TextView could also include an image (For example .setDrawableLeft(some image))

**Using Activity + ArrayAdapter** 

```
Example 1B - MainActivity 2 of 2
```

```
myListView.setOnItemClickListener(new OnItemClickListener() {
        public void onItemClick(AdapterView<?> av, View v,
                                int position, long id) {
           String text = "Position: " + position
                      + "\nData: " + items[position];
           txtMsg.setText(text);
       });
```

To provide a listener to the ListView control add the fragment above to the onCreate method.

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# **Using Activity + ArrayAdapter**

# **Example1C: Custom ListView**

You may also create the ArrayAdapter with more parameters. For instance, the following statement:

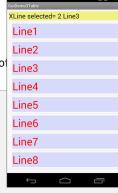


Defines a custom list and textview layout to show the contents of the data array.

```
<!-- my custom line3 -->
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
   android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
   android:orientation="vertical"
   android:padding="6dp" >
        android:id="@+id/my_custom_textview3"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:background="#220000ff"
        android:padding="1dp"
        android:textColor="#ffff0000"
```

android:textSize="35sp" />

</LinearLayout>



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# **The Spinner Widget**

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- Android's **Spinner** is equivalent to a *drop-down* selector.
- Spinners have the same functionality of a ListView but take less screen space.
- An Adapter is used to supply its data using setAdapter(...)
- A listener captures selections made from the list with setOnItemSelectedListener(...).
- The setDropDownViewResource(...) method shows the drop-down multi-line window



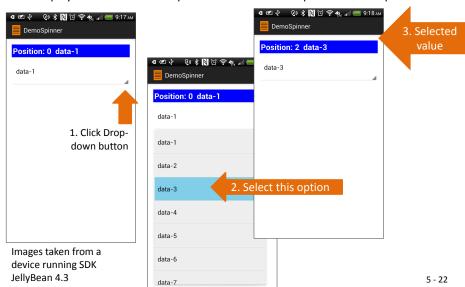


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#### **Using the Spinner Widget Example2: Spinner Demo - Layout** <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="match parent" android:orientation="vertical" android:padding="3dp' **SpinnerDemo** tools:context=".MainActivity" > Item 1 <TextView android:id="@+id/txtMsg" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:background="#ffffff00" android:text="@string/hello\_world" /> <Spinner android:id="@+id/spinner1" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" /> </LinearLayout> 5 - 23

# **Example2: Using the Spinner Widget**

**Example 2.** A list of options named 'Data-0', 'Data-1', 'Data-2' and so on, should be displayed when the user taps on the 'down-arrow' portion of the spinner.



# **Using the Spinner Widget**

```
Example2: Spinner Demo - MainActivity 1 of 2
public class MainActivity extends Activity
                         implements AdapterView.OnItemSelectedListener{
   // GUI objects
  TextView txtMsg;
  Spinner spinner;
   // options to be offered by the spinner
  String[] items = { "Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3", "Data-4",
                    "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7" };
   protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
      super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
     setContentView(R.layout.activity main);
     txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsq);
     spinner = (Spinner) findViewById(R.id.spinner1);
      // use adapter to bind items array to GUI layout
      ArravAdapter<String> adapter = new ArravAdapter<String>(
           android.R.layout.simple spinner dropdown item.
           items);
                                                                                    5 - 24
```

# **Using the Spinner Widget**

#### **Example2: Spinner Demo - MainActivity** 2 of 2

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# The GridView Widget

# **GridView: Useful Properties**

Some properties used to determine the number of columns and their sizes:

- android:numColumns
  - indicates how many columns to show. When used with option "auto\_fit", Android determines the number of columns based on available space and the properties listed below.
- android:verticalSpacing and android:horizontalSpacing indicate how much free space should be set between items in the grid.
- android:columnWidth column width in dips.
- android:stretchMode

indicates how to modify image size when there is available space not taken up by columns or spacing .

# The GridView Widget

# **GridView**

**GridView** is a ViewGroup that displays items in a two-dimensional, scrollable grid.

Data items shown by the grid are supplied by a data adapter.

Grid cells can show text and/or images



# The GridView Widget

#### **GridView: Fitting the View to the Screen**

Suppose the screen is 320 (dip) pixels wide, and we have

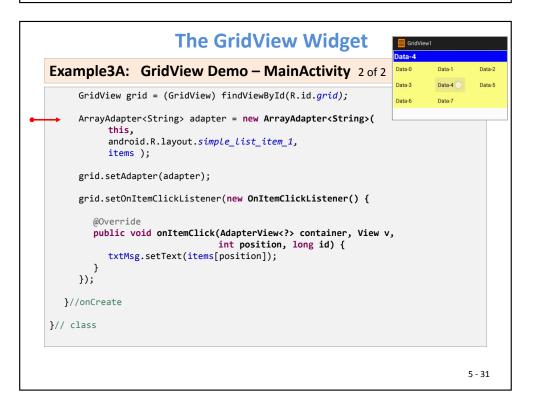
android:columnWidth set to 100dip and android:horizontalSpacing set to 5dip.

The user would see three columns taking **310** pixels (three columns of 100 pixels and two separators of 5 pixels).

With android:stretchMode set to *columnWidth*, the three columns will each expand by 3-4 pixels to use up the remaining 10 pixels.

With android:stretchMode set to *spacingWidth*, the two internal whitespaces will each grow by 5 pixels to consume the remaining 10 pixels.

#### The GridView Widget Example3A: GridView Demo - Layout <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools" android:id="@+id/LinearLayout1" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="match parent" GridView1 android:orientation="vertical" Data-4 android:padding="2dp" tools:context=".MainActivity"> Data-0 Data-1 <TextView android:id="@+id/txtMsg" Data-3 Data-4 android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="wrap content" Data-6 Data-7 android:background="#ff0000ff android:textSize="24sp" android:textStyle="bold" android:textColor="#ffffffff" android:padding="2dip" /> android:id="@+id/grid" android:background="#77ffff00" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:verticalSpacing="5dip" android:horizontalSpacing="5dip' android:numColumns="auto\_fit' android:columnWidth="100dip" android:stretchMode="spacingWidth" /> </LinearLayout> 5 - 29



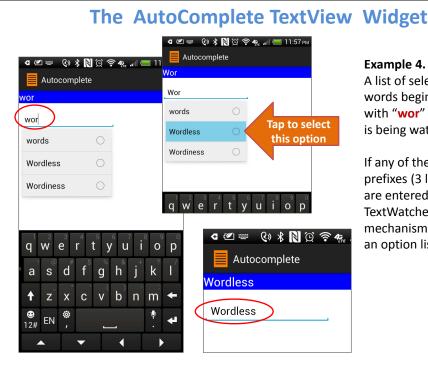
# The GridView Widget Example3A: GridView Demo - MainActivity 1 of 2 public class ArrayAdapterDemo3 extends Activity { TextView txtMsg; String[] items = { "Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3", "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7" }; @Override public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) { super.onCreate(icicle); setContentView(R.layout.activity\_main); txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsg);

# The AutoComplete TextView Widget

# **AutoComplete TextView**

- An AutoComplete box is a more specialized version of the EditText view.
- Characters typed so far are compared with the beginning of words held in a user-supplied list of *suggested* values.
- Suggestions matching the typed prefix are shown in a *selection list*.
- The user can choose from the suggestion list or complete typing the word.
- The android:completionThreshold property is used to trigger the displaying of the suggestion list. It indicates the number of characters to watch for in order to match prefixes.

NOTE: For other features of the TextView control see Appendix B



#### Example 4.

A list of selected words beginning with "wor" or "set" is being watched.

If any of these prefixes (3 letters) are entered the TextWatcher mechanism shows an option list.

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# Example4: AutoComplete Demo - MainActivity 1 of 2 public class ArrayAdapterDemo4 extends Activity implements TextWatcher TextView txtMsg; AutoCompleteTextView txtAutoComplete; String[] items = { "words", "starting", "with", "set", "Setback", "Setline", "Setoffs", "Setouts", "Setters", "Setting", "Settled", "Settler", "Wordless", "Wordiness", "Adios" }; @Override public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) { super.onCreate(savedInstanceState); setContentView(R.layout.activity main); txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsq);

The AutoComplete TextView Widget

# The AutoComplete TextView Widget

#### **Example4: AutoComplete Demo - Layout**

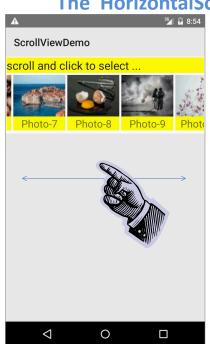
```
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
   android:layout width="match parent"
   android:layout height="match parent" >
    <TextView
       android:id="@+id/txtMsq"
       android:layout width="match parent"
       android:layout_height="wrap_content"
       android:textSize="20sp"
       android:textColor="#fffffff"
       android:background="#ff0000ff" >
       </TextView>
    <AutoCompleteTextView
       android:id="@+id/autoCompleteTextView1"
       android:hint="type here..."
       android:completionThreshold="3"
                                                   Wait 3 chars to work
       android:layout_width="wrap_content"
       android:layout height="wrap content"
       android:layout below="@+id/txtMsq"
       android:layout marginTop="15dp"
       android:ems="10" />
</RelativeLayout>
                                                                                5 - 34
```

# The AutoComplete TextView Widget

#### Example4: AutoComplete Demo – MainActivity 2 of 2

```
txtAutoComplete = (AutoCompleteTextView) findViewById(
                                                  R.id.autoCompleteTextView1);
 txtAutoComplete.addTextChangedListener(this);
 txtAutoComplete.setAdapter(new ArrayAdapter<String>(
                           android.R.layout.simple_list_item_single_choice,
                           items));
 }//onCreate
 public void onTextChanged(CharSequence s, int start, int before, int count) {
     txtMsg.setText(txtAutoComplete.getText());
 public void beforeTextChanged(CharSequence s, int start, int count,int after) {
   // needed for interface, but not used
 public void afterTextChanged(Editable s) {
   // needed for interface, but not used
}//class
```

# The HorizontalScrollView Widget



**HorizontalScrollViews** allow the user to graphically select an option from a set of small images called *thumbnails* <sup>+</sup>.

The user interacts with the viewer using two simple actions:

- 1. Scroll the list (left  $\leftrightarrow$  right)
- 2. Click on a thumbnail to pick the option it offers.

In our example, when the user clicks on a thumbnail the app responds by displaying a high-resolution version of the image

+. A typical thumbnail size is 100x100 pixels (or less).

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# The HorizontalScrollView Widget

#### **Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo**

- In this example we place a
   HorizontalScrollView
   at the top of the screen, this view will
   show a set of thumbnail options.
- The user may scroll through the images and finally tap on a particular selection.
- A better quality version of the selected picture will be displayed in an ImageView widget placed below the horizontal scroller.



# The HorizontalScrollView Widget

# Example5: How to make a thumbnail?

- Option-1. The 100x100 thumbnails shown below were made visiting the site: http://makeathumbnail.com
- Option-2. Upload individual images to the Android\_Asset\_Studio\_Tool http://android-ui-utils.googlecode.com/hg/asset-studio/dist/index.html



# The HorizontalScrollView Widget

# Example5: How to make a thumbnail?

**GRAPHICAL RESOURCES** 

#### High-quality Pictures – Free distribution

Pixabay ©. Available at <a href="https://pixabay.com/">https://pixabay.com/</a> Last visited June 30, 2017.

#### Thumbnail makers

MakeAThumbnail ©. Available at <a href="http://makeathumbnail.com">http://makeathumbnail.com</a> Last visited June 30, 2017.

Android Asset Studio ©. Available at <a href="https://romannurik.github.io/AndroidAssetStudio/">https://romannurik.github.io/AndroidAssetStudio/</a> Last visited June 30, 2017

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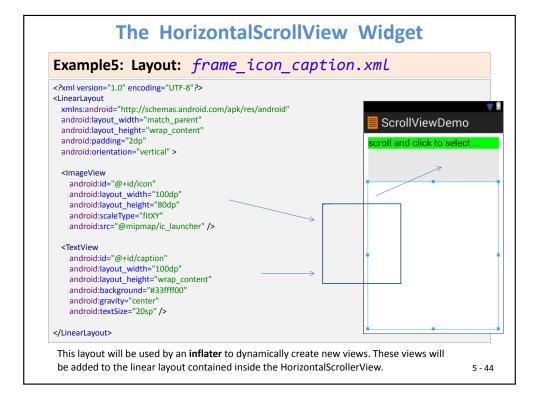
# **Example5: Populating The HorizontalScrollView Widget**

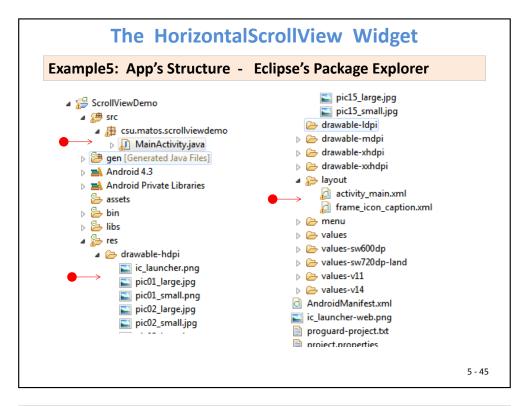
- 1. Our **HorizontalScrollView** will expose a list of frames, each containing an *icon* and a *caption* below the icon.
- The frame\_icon\_caption.xml layout describes the formatting of icon and its caption. This layout will be inflated in order to create run-time GUI objects.
- 3. After the current *frame* is filled with data, it will be added to the growing set of views hosted by the *scrollViewgroup* container (scrollViewgroup is nested inside the horizontal scroller).
- Each frame will receive an ID (its current position in the scrollViewgroup)
  as well as an individual onClick listener.

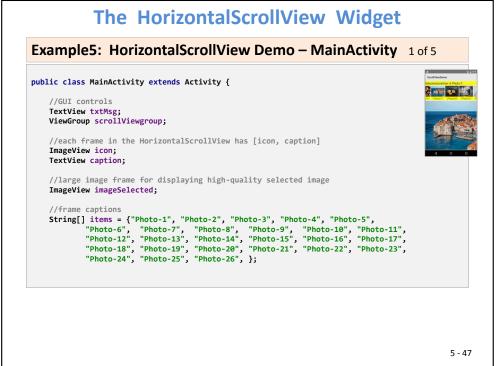
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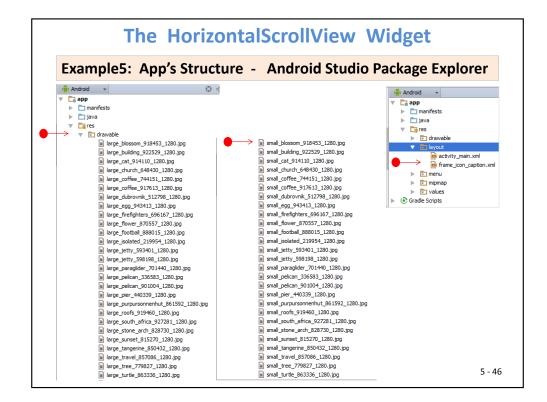
# The HorizontalScrollView Widget Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - Layout 2 of 2 <ImageView android:layout\_width="wrap\_content" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:layout\_weight="2" /> </LinearLayout> ScrollViewDemo scroll and click to select ...

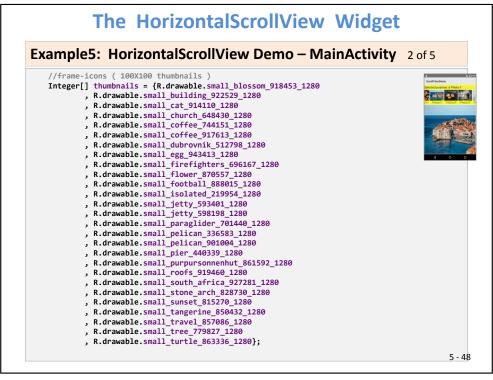
#### The HorizontalScrollView Widget Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - Layout 1 of 2 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:background="#ffffffff android:orientation="vertical' android:padding="2dp" > ScrollViewDemo android:id="@+id/txtMsg" android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:background="#ff00ff00" android:text="scroll and click to select ..." android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceLarge" / <HorizontalScrollView</pre> android:layout\_width="match\_parent android:layout height="wrap content" android:background="#44aaaaaa" > <LinearLayout</pre> android:id="@+id/viewaroup" android:layout width="wrap content" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:orientation="horizontal" android:padding="10dip" > </LinearLavout> 5 - 42 </HorizontalScrollView>











# The HorizontalScrollView Widget

# Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - MainActivity 3 of 5

```
//frame-icons ( 100X100 thumbnails )
Integer[] largeImages = {R.drawable.large_blossom_918453_1280
        , R.drawable.large_building_922529_1280
        , R.drawable.large_cat_914110 1280
        , R.drawable.large_church_648430_1280
        , R.drawable.large_coffee_744151_1280
        , R.drawable.large_coffee_917613_1280
        , R.drawable.large_dubrovnik_512798_1280
        , R.drawable.large_egg_943413_1280
        , R.drawable.large_firefighters_696167_1280
        , R.drawable.large flower 870557 1280
        , R.drawable.large_football_888015_1280
        , R.drawable.large_isolated_219954_1280
        , R.drawable.large_jetty_593401_1280
        , R.drawable.large_jetty_598198_1280
        , R.drawable.large_paraglider_701440_1280
        , R.drawable.large_pelican_336583_1280
        , R.drawable.large pelican 901004 1280
        , R.drawable.large_pier_440339_1280
        , R.drawable.large_purpursonnenhut_861592_1280
        , R.drawable.large_roofs_919460_1280
        , R.drawable.large_south_africa_927281_1280
        , R.drawable.large_stone_arch_828730_1280
        , R.drawable.large sunset 815270 1280
        , R.drawable.large tangerine 850432 1280
        , R.drawable.large_travel_857086_1280
        , R.drawable.large_tree_779827_1280
        , R.drawable.large_turtle_863336_1280};
                                                                                         5 - 49
```

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#### Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - MainActivity 5 of 5

```
//each single frame gets its own click listener
        singleFrame.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
            public void onClick(View v) {
                String text = "Selected position: " + singleFrame.getId()
                        + " " + items[singleFrame.getId()];
                txtMsg.setText(text):
                showLargeImage(singleFrame.getId());
        });// listener
    }// for - populating ScrollView
}//onCreate
//display a high-quality version of the image selected using thumbnails
protected void showLargeImage(int frameId) {
    Drawable selectedLargeImage = getResources()
            .getDrawable(largeImages[frameId], getTheme());
                                                                    //API-21 or newer
    imageSelected.setBackground(selectedLargeImage);
  //ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION (for APIs prior to API-21)
 Drawable selectedLargeImage = ContextCompat.getDrawable(getApplication(),
                                                         largeImages[position]);
 largeImageSelected.setImageDrawable(selectedLargeImage);
                                                                                         5 - 51
```

# The HorizontalScrollView Widget

#### Example5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - MainActivity 4 of 5

```
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.activity main);
    //bind GUI controls to Java classes
    txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsg);
    imageSelected = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imageSelected);
    // this layout goes inside the HorizontalScrollView
    scrollViewgroup = (ViewGroup) findViewById(R.id.viewgroup);
    // populate the ScrollView
    for (int i = 0; i < items.length; i++) {</pre>
        //create single frames [icon & caption] using XML inflater
        final View singleFrame = getLayoutInflater().inflate(
                R.layout.frame_icon_caption, null);
        //frame: 0, frame: 1, frame: 2, ... and so on
        singleFrame.setId(i);
        //internal plumbing to reach elements inside single frame
        TextView caption = (TextView) singleFrame.findViewById(R.id.caption);
        ImageView icon = (ImageView) singleFrame.findViewById(R.id.icon);
        //put data [icon, caption] in each frame
        icon.setImageResource(thumbnails[i]);
        caption.setText(items[i]);
        caption.setBackgroundColor(Color.YELLOW);
        //add frame to the scrollView
                                                                                         5 - 50
        scrollViewgroup.addView(singleFrame);
```

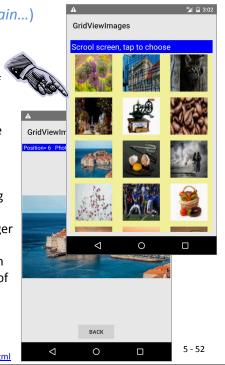
# Image-Based GridViews (again...)

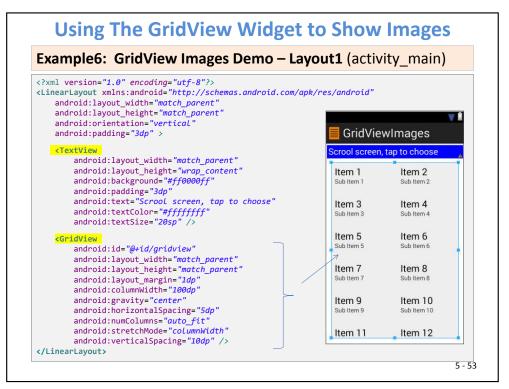
Perhaps a more interesting version of the **GridView** control involves the displaying of *images* instead of *text*.

The following example illustrates how to use this control:

- 1. A screen shows an array of thumbnails.
- 2. The user makes her selection by tapping on one of them.
- The app displays on a new screen a bigger& better image of the selected option.
- 4. The programmer must provide a custom data adapter to manage the displaying of thumbnails from the data set.

This example is based on the tutorial: http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/layout/gridview.html





# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

# Example6: GridView Images Demo - res/values/dimens/

# <resources> <!-- Default screen margins, per the Android Design guidelines. --> <dimen name="activity\_horizontal\_margin">16dp</dimen> <dimen name="activity\_vertical\_margin">16dp</dimen> </dimen name="gridview\_size">100dp</dimen> </resources>

**Best Practice:** Defining the GridView's high and width dimensions on **dips** is safer than in pixels. Later on, images can be automatically scaled to devices of various densities.



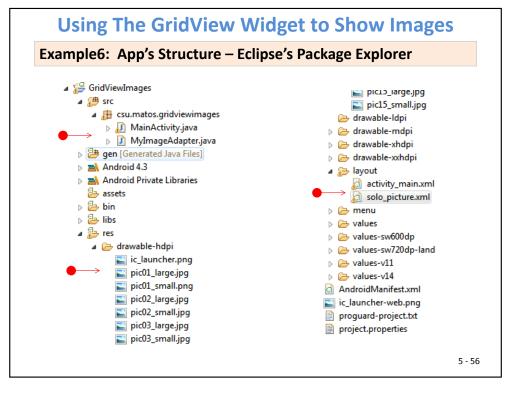
#### On the left:

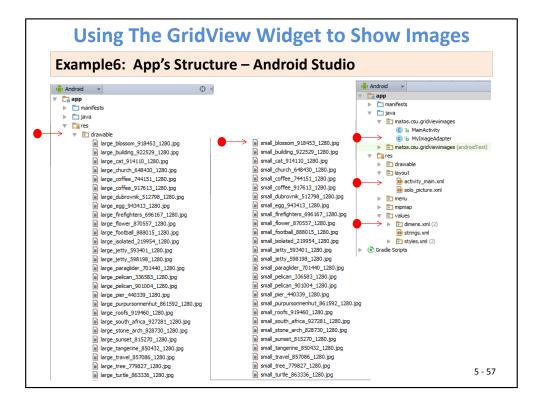
#### On the right:

(see class MyImageAdapter)

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#### **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images** Example6: GridView Images Demo - Layout2 (solo picture) <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="match parent" android:padding="3dp android:orientation="vertical" GridViewImages <TextView android:id="@+id/txtSoloMsg" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:textColor="@android:color/white" android:background="#ff0000ff" /> <ImageView</pre> android:id="@+id/imgSoloPhoto" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="0dip android:layout gravity="center|fill" android:layout\_weight="2" /> <Button android:id="@+id/btnSoloBack" android:layout\_width="100dip' android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:layout\_gravity="center\_horizontal" Back android:text="Back" /> </LinearLayout>





#### **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images** Example6: MainActivity 2 of 5 //frame-icons ( 100X100 thumbnails Integer[] thumbnails = {R.drawable.small\_blossom\_918453\_1280 , R.drawable.small building 922529 1280 , R.drawable.small\_cat\_914110\_1280 , R.drawable.small\_church\_648430\_1280 , R.drawable.small\_coffee\_744151 1280 , R.drawable.small coffee 917613 1280 , R.drawable.small dubrovnik 512798 1280 , R.drawable.small\_egg\_943413\_1280 , R.drawable.small firefighters 696167 1280 , R.drawable.small flower 870557 1280 ,R.drawable.small\_football\_888015\_1280 ,R.drawable.small\_isolated\_219954\_1280 ,R.drawable.small jetty 593401 1280 ,R.drawable.small\_jetty\_598198\_1280 ,R.drawable.small\_paraglider\_701440\_1280 ,R.drawable.small pelican 336583 1280 ,R.drawable.small\_pelican\_901004\_1280 ,R.drawable.small\_pier\_440339\_1280 ,R.drawable.small\_purpursonnenhut\_861592\_1280 ,R.drawable.small roofs 919460 1280 ,R.drawable.small\_south\_africa\_927281\_1280 ,R.drawable.small\_stone\_arch\_828730\_1280 ,R.drawable.small sunset 815270 1280 ,R.drawable.small tangerine 850432 1280 ,R.drawable.small travel 857086 1280 ,R.drawable.small tree 779827 1280 ,R.drawable.small\_turtle\_863336\_1280 }; 5 - 59

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images** Example6: MainActivity 1 of 5 public class MainActivity extends Activity { //GUI control bound to screen1 (holding GidView) GridView gridview; //GUI controls bound to screen2 (holding single ImageView) TextView txtSoloMsg; ImageView imgSoloPhoto: Button btnSoloBack; //in case you want to use-save state values Bundle mvOriginalMemorvBundle: //frame captions String[] items = {"Photo-1", "Photo-2", "Photo-3", "Photo-4", "Photo-5", "Photo-6", "Photo-7", "Photo-8", "Photo-9", "Photo-10", "Photo-11", "Photo-12", "Photo-13", "Photo-14", "Photo-15", "Photo-16", "Photo-17", "Photo-18", "Photo-19", "Photo-20", "Photo-21", "Photo-22", "Photo-23", "Photo-24", "Photo-25", "Photo-26", }; 5 - 58



# Using The GridView Widget to Show Images



# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

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```
Example6: Custom Adapter - MylmageAdapter 1 of 2
// This custom adapter populates the GridView with a visual
// representation of each thumbnail in the input data set.
// It also implements a method -getView()- to access
// individual cells in the GridView.
public class MyImageAdapter extends BaseAdapter{
   private Context context; // main activity's context
   Integer[] smallImages;
                             // thumbnail data set
   public MyImageAdapter(Context mainActivityContext,
                         Integer[] thumbnails) {
      context = maiActivityContext;
      smallImages = thumbnails;
   // how many entries are there in the data set?
   public int getCount() {
      return smallImages.length;
   // what is in a given 'position' in the data set?
   public Object getItem(int position) {
      return smallImages[position];
   // what is the ID of data item in given 'position'?
   public long getItemId(int position) {
      return position;
                                                                                     5 - 63
```

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

```
Example6: MainActivity 5 of 5
 private void showBigScreen(int position) {
       // show the selected picture as a single frame in the second layout
       setContentView(R.layout.solo_picture);
       // plumbing - second layout
       txtSoloMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtSoloMsg);
       imgSoloPhoto = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imgSoloPhoto);
       // set caption-and-large picture
       txtSoloMsg.setText(" Position= " + position + " " + items[position]);
       imgSoloPhoto.setImageResource( largeImages[position] );
        // set GO BACK button to return to layout1 (GridView)
       btnSoloBack = (Button) findViewById(R.id.btnSoloBack);
       btnSoloBack.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
           @Override
           public void onClick(View v) {
               // redraw the main screen showing the GridView
               onCreate(myOriginalMemoryBundle);
       });
   }// showBigScreen
 }//Activity
```

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

```
Example6: Custom Adapter - MylmageAdapter 2 of 2
   // create a view for each thumbnail in the data set
   public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {
      ImageView imageView;
      // if possible, reuse (convertView) image already held in cache
     if (convertView == null) {
        // new image in GridView formatted to:
        // 100x75 pixels (its actual size)
        // center-cropped, and 5dp padding all around
        imageView = new ImageView(context);
        imageView.setLayoutParams( new GridView.LayoutParams(100, 75) );
         imageView.setScaleType(ImageView.ScaleType.CENTER CROP);
        imageView.setPadding(5, 5, 5, 5);
     } else {
        imageView = (ImageView) convertView;
     imageView.setImageResource(smallImages[position]);
      return imageView;
}//MyImageAdapter
```

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

#### Example6: Custom Adapter - MylmageAdapter 2 of 2

```
// create a view for each thumbnail in the data set, add it to gridview
public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {
    ImageView imageView;
    // if possible, reuse (convertView) image already held in cache
    if (convertView == null) {
        // no previous version of thumbnail held in the scrapview holder
        // define entry in res/values/dimens.xml for grid height, width in dips
        // <dimen name="gridview size">100dp</dimen>
        // setLayoutParams will do conversion to physical pixels
       imageView = new ImageView(context);
       int gridsize = context.getResources().getDimensionPixelOffset(R.dimen.gridview_size);
       imageView.setLayoutParams(new GridView.LayoutParams(gridsize, gridsize));
       //imageView.setLayoutParams(new GridView.LayoutParams(100, 100));//NOT a good practice
       imageView.setScaleType(ImageView.ScaleType.FIT_XY);
       imageView.setPadding(5, 5, 5, 5);
    } else {
        imageView = (ImageView) convertView;
    imageView.setImageResource(smallImages[position]);
    imageView.setId(position);
    return imageView;
                                                                                          5 - 65
}//MyImageAdapter
```

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

# Example6B:

#### An Experiment - Changing from GridView to ListView

Modify the previous example to show the set of thumbnails in a **ListView** instead of a **GridView**. As before when a thumbnail is tapped a high-quality image is shown in a new screen.

#### **STEPS**

- Modify the layout activity\_main.xml. Change the tag <GridView ... to <ListView. Leave the rest unchanged.</li>
- 2. In the main Java class, replace each reference to the GridView type with ListView. The new statements should be:

```
ListView gridview;
...
gridview = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.gridview);
```

3. In the custom Image adapter make the following change to indicate the new imageView should be added to a ListView (instead that a GridView)

4. Keep the rest of the adapter code unchanged.

# **Using The GridView Widget to Show Images**

#### Results generated by Example6 running on different devices



Image taken from the Emulator

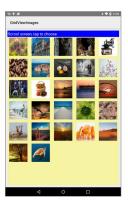


Image displayed on a Nexus7 (1028x728) tablet. The GridView's clause:

android:numColumns="auto\_fit"

determines the best way to fill up each row.

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# Example6B:

# An Experiment - Changing from GridView to ListView

The new app should display the following screens.

Observe the main screen arranges the thumbnails in a ListView container.

More on this issue on Example 8.



# **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...)

This is a simple variation of the previous example.

A list of choices is offered through a drop-down spinner control.

The user taps on a row and an image for the selected choice is displayed on a new screen.



#### **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...) Example7: Spinner Demo2 - Layout2 (solo picture) <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> android: layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="match\_parent" android:padding="3dp android:orientation="vertical" > Spinnerlmage android:id="@+id/txtSoloMsq" android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:textStvle="bold" android:textColor="#FFFFFFF" android:padding="3dp" android:background="#ff0000ff" /> android:id="@+id/imgSoLoPhoto" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="0dip' android:layout gravity="center|fill" android:layout weight="2" /> android:id="@+id/btnBack" android:layout width="100dip" android:layout height="wrap content" Back android:layout\_gravity="center\_horizontal" android:text="Back" /> </LinearLayout>

#### **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...) Example7: Spinner Demo2 - Layout1 (activity main) <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre> android:layout width="match parent" android:layout height="match parent" android:orientation="vertical" SpinnerImage android:padding="3dp" > Car selector <TextView Item 1 android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:background="#ff0000ff" android:text="Car selector" android:textColor="#fffffff" android:textSize="20sp" android:textStyle="bold" /> android:id="@+id/spinner" android:layout width="match parent" android:layout\_height="wrap\_content" android:layout margin="5dip" /> </LinearLayout> 5 - 70

#### **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...) Example7: Spinner Demo2 - MainActivity 1 of 3 public class MainActivity extends Activity implements AdapterView.OnItemSelectedListener { // GUI controls in the main screen Spinner spinner; // GUI controls in the solo picture screen 🛮 🕮 src a # csu.matos.spinnerimage TextView txtSoloMsg; MainActivity.java ImageView imageSelectedCar; gen [Generated Java Files] Button btnBack; Android 4.3 Android Private Libraries assets 3 // captions to be listed by the spinner D 👺 bin String[] items = { "Select a vehicle", "car1", "car2", "car3", "car4", b B libs "car5", "car6", "car7", "car8" }; 🛮 👺 res // object IDs of car pictures car\_photo\_1.jpg Integer[] carImageArray = new Integer[] { R.drawable.car photo 1, car\_photo\_2.jpg R.drawable.car\_photo\_2, R.drawable.car\_photo\_3, car\_photo\_3.jpg car\_photo\_4.jpg R.drawable.car\_photo\_4, R.drawable.car\_photo\_5, car\_photo\_5.jpg R.drawable.car\_photo\_6, R.drawable.car\_photo\_7, car\_photo\_6.jpg R.drawable.car\_photo\_8, }; car\_photo\_7.jpg Bundle myStateInfo; car\_photo\_8.jpg ic\_launcher.png a drawable-ldni protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) { super.onCreate(savedInstanceState); myStateInfo = savedInstanceState; setContentView(R.layout.activity main); 5 - 72

# **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...)

#### Example7: Spinner Demo2 - MainActivity 2 of 3

```
spinner = (Spinner) findViewById(R.id.spinner);
   spinner.setAdapter(new ArrayAdapter<String>(this,
                            android.R.layout.simple_spinner_dropdown_item,
   spinner.setOnItemSelectedListener(this);
// display screen showing image of the selected car
private void showBigImage(int position) {
   // show the selected picture as a single frame
   setContentView(R.layout.solo picture);
   txtSoloMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtSoloMsg);
   imageSelectedCar = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imgSoloPhoto);
   txtSoloMsg.setText("Car selected: car-" + position);
   imageSelectedCar.setImageResource(carImageArray[position]);
   btnBack = (Button) findViewById(R.id.btnBack);
   btnBack.setOnClickListener(new OnClickListener() {
      public void onClick(View v) {
         // redraw the main screen showing the spinner
         onCreate(myStateInfo);
   });
}// showBigScreen
```

# **Custom-made ListViews**

#### **Example8: Defining your own ListViews**

 Android provides several predefined row layouts for displaying simple lists (such as:

```
android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1,
android.R.layout.simple_list_item_2, etc).
```

- However, there are occasions in which you want a particular disposition and formatting of elements displayed in each list-row.
- In those cases, you should *create your own subclass of a Data Adapter*.
- The next example shows how to do that.

# **Using The Spinner Widget** (again...)

# Example7: Spinner Demo2 - MainActivity 3 of 3

```
// next two methods implement the spinner listener
@Override
public void onItemSelected(AdapterView<?> parent, View v, int position, long id) {
    //ignore position 0. It holds just a label ("SELECT A VEHICLE...")
    if (position > 0) {
        showBigImage(position - 1);
    }
}

@Override
public void onNothingSelected(AdapterView<?> parent) {
    // DO NOTHING - needed by the interface
}
```

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# **Custom-made ListViews**

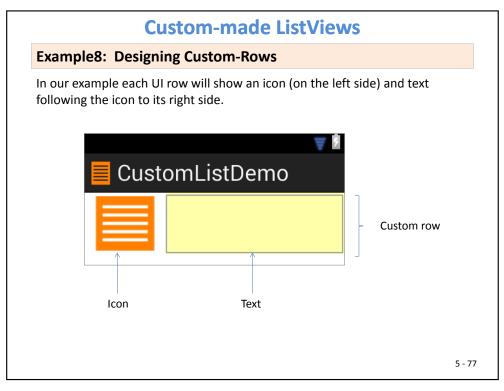
# **Example8: Create your own DataAdapter**

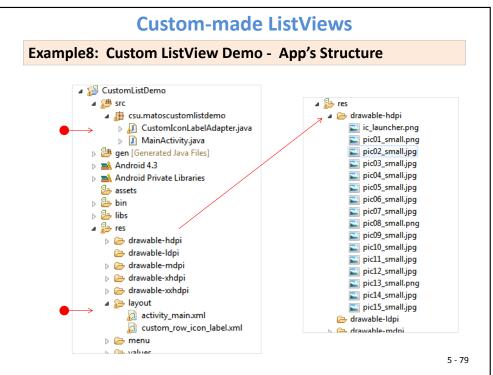
In order to customize a Data Adapter, you need to:

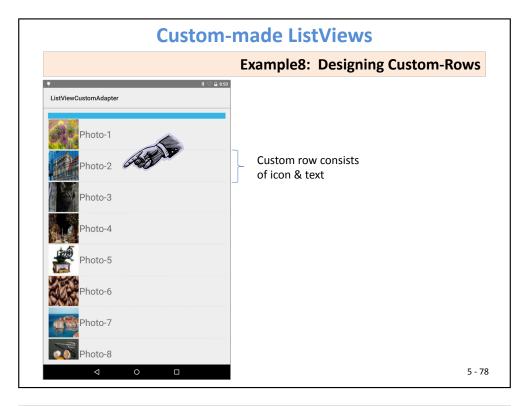
- 1. Create a class extending the concrete ArrayAdapter class
- 2. Override its **getView()**, and
- 3. Construct (inflate) your rows yourself.

For each data element supplied by the adapter, the method **getView()** returns its 'visible' View.

```
public class MyCustomAdapter extends ArrayAdapter{
   // class variables go here ...
   public MyCustomAdapter(...) { }
   public View getView(...) { }
}//MyCustomAdapter
```









# **Custom-made ListViews**

#### Example8: Layout2 - custom\_row\_icon\_label.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="fill parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
                                                   CustomListDemo
    android:orientation="horizontal" >
    <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/icon"
        android:layout width="100dp"
        android:layout height="75dp"
        android:layout marginRight="3dp"
        android:src="@drawable/ic launcher" />
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/Label"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="75dp"
        android:background="#22ffff00"
        android:textSize="20sp" />
</LinearLayout>
```

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# **Custom-made ListViews**

#### Example8: Custom ListView Demo - MainActivity 2 of 3

```
// the arguments of the custom adapter are:
     // activityContex, layout-to-be-inflated, labels, icons
   CustomIconLabelAdapter adapter = new CustomIconLabelAdapter(
                      R.layout.custom_row_icon_label,
                      items,
                      thumbnails);
     // bind intrinsic ListView to custom adapter
     setListAdapter(adapter);
  }//onCreate
  // react to user's selection of a row
  @Override
  protected void onListItemClick(ListView 1, View v, int position, long id) {
     super.onListItemClick(1, v, position, id);
     String text = " Position: " + position + " " + items[position];
     txtMsg.setText(text);
  }//listener
}//class
```

#### **Custom-made ListViews**

# Example8: Custom ListView Demo - MainActivity 1 of 3

```
public class MainActivity extends ListActivity {
  TextView txtMsg:
  // The n-th row in the list will consist of [icon, label]
  // where icon = thumbnail[n] and label=items[n]
  String[] items = { "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3", "Data-4", "Data-5",
        "Data-6", "Data-7", "Data-8", "Data-9", "Data-10", "Data-11",
        "Data-12", "Data-13", "Data-14", "Data-15" };
  Integer[] thumbnails = { R.drawable.pic01 small, R.drawable.pic02 small,
        R.drawable.pic03 small, R.drawable.pic04 small,
        R.drawable.pic05 small, R.drawable.pic06 small,
        R.drawable.pic07 small, R.drawable.pic08 small,
        R.drawable.pic09 small, R.drawable.pic10 small,
        R.drawable.pic11_small, R.drawable.pic12_small,
        R.drawable.pic13 small, R.drawable.pic14 small,
        R.drawable.pic15 small };
  protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
     super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
     setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
     txtMsg = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.txtMsq);
```

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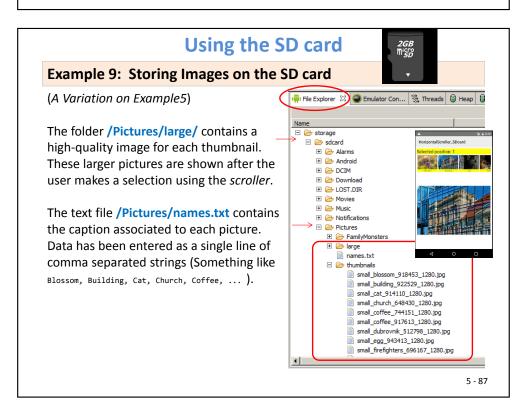
# Example8: Custom ListView Demo – MainActivity 3 of 3

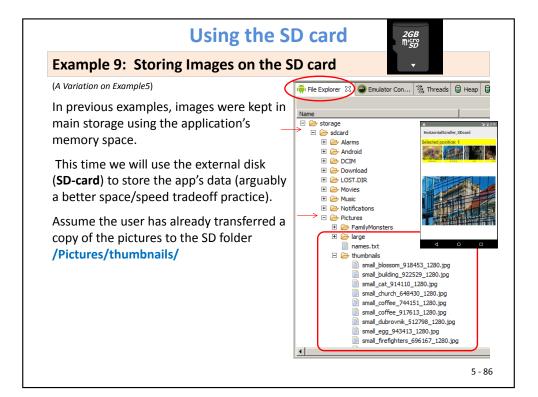
```
class CustomIconLabelAdapter extends ArrayAdapter <String> {
  Context context;
  Integer[] thumbnails;
  String[] items;
  public CustomIconLabelAdapter( Context context, int layoutToBeInflated,
                                  String[] items, Integer[] thumbnails) {
     super(context, R.layout.custom row icon label, items);
     this.context = context;
     this.thumbnails = thumbnails;
     this.items = items;
  public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {
    LayoutInflater inflater = ((Activity) context).getLayoutInflater();
     View row = inflater.inflate(R.layout.custom_row_icon_label, null);
     TextView label = (TextView) row.findViewById(R.id.label);
     ImageView icon = (ImageView) row.findViewById(R.id.icon);
    label.setText(items[position]);
     icon.setImageResource(thumbnails[position]);
     return (row);
}// CustomAdapter
                                                                               5 - 84
```

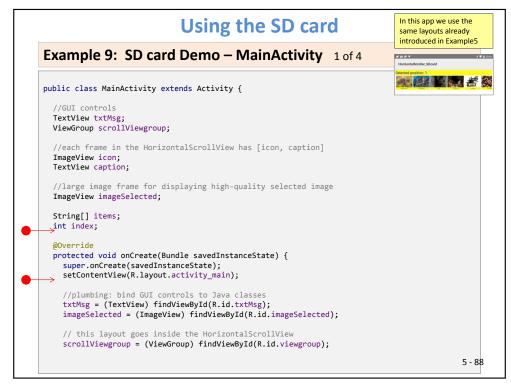
#### **Custom-made ListViews**

# **Example8: The LayoutInflater Class**

- The LayoutInflater class converts an XML layout specification into an actual tree of View objects. The objects inflated by code are appended to the selected UI view. It typically works in cooperation with an ArrayAdapter.
- A basic ArrayAdapter requires three arguments: current context, layout on which output rows are shown, source data items (data to feed the rows).
  - The overridden getView() method inflates the row layout by custom allocating icons and text taken from data source in the user designed row.
  - Once assembled, the View (row) is returned.
  - This process is repeated for each item supplied by the ArrayAdapter.
  - See Appendix C for an example of a better built custom-adapter using the ViewHolder design strategy.

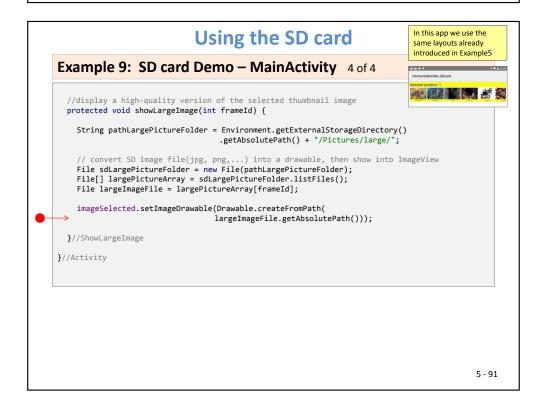






#### In this app we use the Using the SD card same lavouts already introduced in Example5 Example 9: SD card Demo - MainActivity 2 of 4 // Environment class allows access to your 'MEDIA' variables String absolutePath2SdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory() .getAbsolutePath(); //photo captions are held in a single-line comma-separated file String pathPictureCaptionFile = absolutePath2SdCard + "/Pictures/names.txt"; File nameFile = new File(pathPictureCaptionFile); Scanner scanner = new Scanner(nameFile); String line = scanner.nextLine(); items = line.split(","); //get access to the small thumbnails - polulate the horizontal scroller String pathThumbnailsFolder = absolutePath2SdCard + "/Pictures/thumbnails/": File sdPictureFiles = new File(pathThumbnailsFolder); File[] thumbnailArray = sdPictureFiles.listFiles(); txtMsg.append("\nNum files: " + thumbnailArray.length); File singleThumbnailFile: for (index = 0; index < thumbnailArray.length; index++) {</pre> singleThumbnailFile = thumbnailArray[index]; final View frame = getLayoutInflater().inflate(R.layout.frame\_icon\_caption, null);

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#### In this app we use the Using the SD card same lavouts already introduced in Example5 Example 9: SD card Demo - MainActivity 3 of 4 TextView caption = (TextView) frame.findViewById(R.id.caption); ImageView icon = (ImageView) frame.findViewById(R.id.icon); // convert (jpg, png,...) file into a drawable icon.setImageDrawable(Drawable.createFromPath( singleThumbnailFile.getAbsolutePath())); caption.setText(items[index]); A ViewGroup is a special view that can scrollViewgroup.addView(frame); contain other views (called children). The superclass ViewGroup is the base class for frame.setId(index); layouts and views containers [From Android Documentation). frame.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() { public void onClick(View v) { String text = "Selected position: " + frame.getId(); txtMsg.setText(text); showLargeImage(frame.getId()); }); // listener }// for } catch (Exception e) { txtMsg.append("\nError: " + e.getMessage()); 5 - 90 }//onCreate

# **List-Based Widgets**





Images made with the "Device Frame Generator Tool", available at <a href="http://android-ui-utils.googlecode.com/hg/asset-studio/dist/device-frames.html">http://android-ui-utils.googlecode.com/hg/asset-studio/dist/device-frames.html</a>

# **Appendix A:** Predefined Android Resources

Android SDK includes a number of predefined layouts & styles. Some of those resources can be found in the folders:

C:\ Your-Path \Android\android-sdk\platforms\android-xx\data\res\layout C:\ Your-Path \Android\android-sdk\platforms\android-xx\data\res\values\styles.xml

#### Example:

The following is the definition of the layout called:

android.R.layout.simple list item 1. It consists of a single TextView field named "text1", its contents are centered, large font, and some padding.

<!-- Copyright (C) 2006 The Android Open Source Project Licensed under the Apache License, Version 2.0 (the "License"); you may not use this file except in compliance with the License. You may obtain a copy of the License at http://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0 Unless required by applicable law or agreed to in writing, software distributed under the License is distributed on an "AS IS" BASIS, WITHOUT WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF ANY KIND, either express or implied. See the License for the specific language governing permissions and limitations under the <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <TextView xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android" android:id="@android:id/text1" android:layout\_width="match\_parent" android:layout height="wrap content" android:gravity="center vertical" android:minHeight="?android:attr/listPreferredItemHeight" android:paddingLeft="6dip" android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceLarge" /> 5 - 93

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Keyboarding data into Android's applications is functionally dependent of the hardware present in the actual device.



Sliding Window in this unit exposes a hard keyboard.

This device has a permanently exposed hard keyboard and Stylus pen appropriate for handwriting



Input accepted from Virtual keyboard and/or voice recognition

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# **Appendix A:** Predefined Android Resources

#### **Android's Predefined Layouts**

This is the definition of: **simple spinner dropdown item** in which a single row holding a radio-button and text is shown.

http://code.google.com/p/pdn-slatedroid/source/browse/trunk/eclair/frameworks/base/core/res/res/layout/ simple spinner dropdown item.xml?r=44

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<!--
** Copyright 2008, The Android Open Source Project
** etc...
-->
<CheckedTextView
   xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
   android:id="@android:id/text1"
   style="?android:attr/spinnerDropDownItemStyle"
   android:singleLine="true"
   android:layout width="match parent"
   android:layout height="?android:attr/listPreferredItemHeight"
   android:ellipsize="marquee" />
```

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# **Appendix B**: EditText Boxes & Keyboarding

Kevboard

When the user taps on an EditText box, the Input Media Framework (IMF) provides access to

- 1. a hard (or real) keyboard (if one is present) or
- 2. a soft (or virtual) keyboard known as IME that is the most appropriated for the current input type.

You may close the virtual keyboard by tapping the hardware BackArrow key.



# Telling Android what data to expect

**TextViews** can use either **XML** elements or **Java** code to tell the type of textual data they should accept. For example:



Knowing the inputType has an impact on virtual keyboards (the software can expose the best layout for the current input class)

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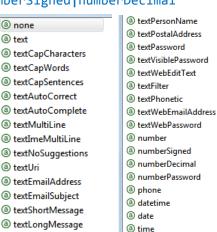
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## XML Usage - inputType Classes

<EditText

android:inputType="numberSigned|numberDecimal"

... />



#### Reference:

http://developer.android.com/reference/and roid/R.styleable.html#TextView inputType

#### & TYPE\_DATETIME\_VARIATION\_TIME : int - InputType F TYPE\_MASK\_CLASS: int - InputType

&F TYPE\_MASK\_FLAGS: int - InputType §F TYPE\_MASK\_VARIATION: int - InputType

F TYPE\_CLASS\_DATETIME : int - InputType

§F TYPE\_CLASS\_NUMBER: int - InputType

§F TYPE\_CLASS\_PHONE: int - InputType

§F TYPE\_CLASS\_TEXT: int - InputType

&F TYPE\_NULL: int - InputType

&F TYPE\_NUMBER\_FLAG\_DECIMAL : int - InputType §F TYPE\_NUMBER\_FLAG\_SIGNED: int - InputType

F TYPE\_NUMBER\_VARIATION\_NORMAL : int - InputType

TYPE\_NUMBER\_VARIATION\_PASSWORD : int - InputType

% TYPE\_TEXT\_FLAG\_AUTO\_COMPLETE: int - InputType §F TYPE\_TEXT\_FLAG\_AUTO\_CORRECT: int - InputType

§ TYPE\_TEXT\_FLAG\_CAP\_CHARACTERS: int - InputType

&F TYPE\_TEXT\_FLAG\_CAP\_SENTENCES: int - InputType §F TYPE\_TEXT\_FLAG\_CAP\_WORDS: int - InputType

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#### Java Usage – inpuType Classes

editTextBox.setInputType( android.text.InputType.XXX );

```
FLAG_IME_MULTI_LINE: int - InputType
                                                          FLAG_MULTI_LINE: int - InputType
                                                          FLAG NO SUGGESTIONS: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_EMAIL_ADDRESS: int - InputType
&F TYPE_DATETIME_VARIATION_DATE: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_EMAIL_SUBJECT: int - InputType
F TYPE_DATETIME_VARIATION_NORMAL : int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION FILTER: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_LONG_MESSAGE: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_NORMAL: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION PASSWORD: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_PERSON_NAME: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_PHONETIC: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION POSTAL ADDRESS: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_SHORT_MESSAGE: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION URI: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION VISIBLE PASSWORD: int - InputType
                                                          VARIATION_WEB_EDIT_TEXT: int - InputType
```

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# **Example 10:** Using multiple XML attributes

android:inputType="text|textCapWords"

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
                                                                   Use "pipe" symbol
<LinearLayout</pre>
    android:layout width="match parent"
                                                                   to separate the
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
                                                                   options.
    android:background="#ffccccc"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android" >
                                                                   In this example a
<TextView
                                                                   soft text keyboard
    android:layout width="match parent"
                                                                   will be used.
    android:layout height="wrap content"
    android:background="#ff0000ff"
    android:text="inputType: text|textCapWords"
                                                                   Fach word will be
    android:textStyle="bold"
    android:textSize="22sp" />
                                                                   capitalized.
    android:id="@+id/editTextBox"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
    android:padding="5dip"
    android:textSize="18sp"
     android:inputType="text|textCapWords"
</LinearLayout>
```

# **Example10:** Using android:inputType= "text|textCapWords"



After tapping the EditText box to gain focus, a soft keyboard appears showing **CAPITAL letters** 



After first letter is typed the keyboard automatically switches to LOWER case mode



After entering space the keyboard repeats cycle beginning with UPPER case, then LOWER case letters.

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#### Example 11: Using

android:inputType="number|numberSigned|numberDecimal"



- 1. The keyboard displays numbers.
- 2. Non-numeric keys (such as !@#\$%&\*?/) are visible but disable.
- 3. Only valid numeric expressions can be entered.
- Type number | number Signed accepts integers.
- 5. Type numberDecimal accepts real numbers.

Assume the EditText field is named: editTextBox, In Java code we could at run-time set the input method by issuing the command:

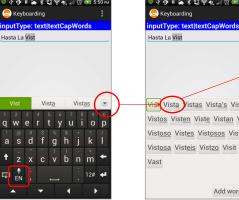
editTextBox.setInputType(

android.text.InputType.TYPE CLASS NUMBER android.text.InputType.TYPE NUMBER FLAG SIGNED);

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# **Example10:** Using android:inputType= "text|textCapWords"



English and Spanish are the user's selected languages in this device



You may speed up typing by tapping on an option from the list of suggested words (bilingual choices)



Selected word is introduced in the EditText box

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#### Example 12: Using

android:inputType="textPassword"



# Example 13: Using

android:inputType="textEmailAddress"



Soft keyboard shows characters used in email addresses (such as letters, @, dot).

Click on [?123] key (lower-left) for additional characters

- The keyboard displays all possible keys.
- Current character is briefly displayed for verification purposes.
- The current character is hidden and a heavy-dot is displayed.

# Example 14: Using android:inputType="phone"





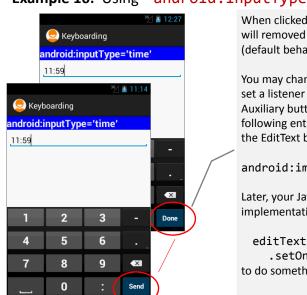
Soft keyboard displays the layout of a typical phone keypad plus additional non digit symbols such as:

(). / Pause Wait # - +

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# Example 16: Using android:inputType="time"



When clicked, the Auxiliary button DONE will removed the keyboard from the screen (default behavior).

You may change the button's caption and set a listener to catch the click event on the Auxiliary button. To do that add the following entry to your XML specification of the EditText box:

android:imeAction="actionSend"

Later, your Java code could provide an implementation of the method:

editTextBox

.setOnEditorActionListener() to do something with the event.

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# Example 15: Using android:inputType="time"



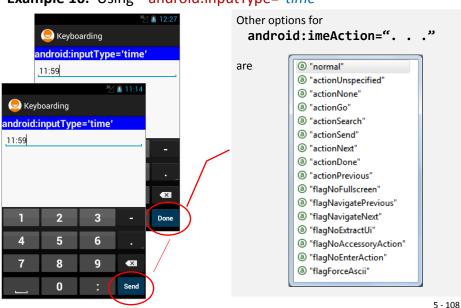
Soft keyboard displays a numerical layout.

Only digits and colon-char ":" can be used.

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# **Example 16:** Using android:inputType="time"



#### Example 17: Using android:inputType="datetime"



Soft keyboard displays a numerical layout.

Only digits and date/time valid characters are allowed.

Examples of valid dates are:

12/21/2012 12:12 12/31/2011 12:30

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# Appendix C. Custom List Supported by a BaseAdapter

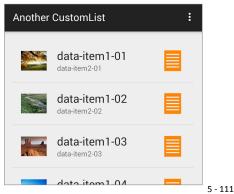
In this example a list holding rows showing multiple lines of text and images, is populated with a custom made BaseAdapter that uses the **ViewHolder** strategy for better performance.



An **onClick** listener is set to recognize the user's tapping on the image to the right side, and another listener is set for clicking anything from the rest of the row.



The app consists of two classes: **MainActivity** and **CustomBaseAdapter**. It has two layouts: *activity\_main* showing the list (see image on the right) and *list\_row\_gui* describing the structure of individual rows. Test data is placed in a separate class called DATABASE.



# **Appendix B**: EditText Boxes & Keyboarding

#### Disable Soft Keyboarding on an EditText View

 To disable the action of the soft keyboard on an EditText you should set its input type to null, as indicated below:

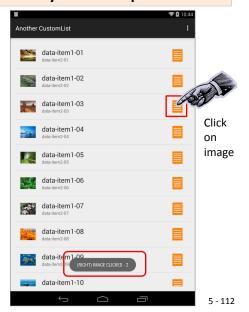


editTextBox.setInputType( InputType.TYPE\_NULL );
To temporarily hide the virtual keyboard, call the following method:

To **display** the virtual keyboard, call the method:

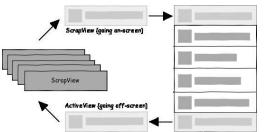
# Appendix C. Custom List Supported by a BaseAdapter





#### Appendix C. Custom List - ViewHolder Pattern

The figure below is from "Performance Tips for Android's ListView" by Lucas Rocha <a href="http://lucasr.org/2012/04/05/performance-tips-for-androids-listview/">http://lucasr.org/2012/04/05/performance-tips-for-androids-listview/</a> [Dec, 2014]. It shows a set of rows presented to the user inside a ListView container.



When a row gets out of sight, the memory of its layout is saved in a **scrapview** collection silently kept by the ListView.

If the row comes back to a visible state, you may reuse its scrapview skeleton instead of redoing the row from scratch.

The strategy of reusing these scrapviews is known as the **ViewHolder Design Pattern**. It cuts down on the number of times you have to inflate a row-layout and then get access to its internal widgets by calling the 'findViewById()' method.

When reusing the scrapviews (made available as 'convertView') all you need to do is move the appropriate data to the internal widgets and set their onClick listeners.

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# Appendix C. Custom List - list\_row\_gui.xml

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Layout *list\_gui\_row.xml* shows a custom-made row holding two lines of text and two images.

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
                                                                   This is Line1
    android:orientation="horizontal"
    android:padding="16dp" >
                                                                   This is Line2
    <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/rowImageView1"
        android:layout width="50dp"
        android:layout height="50dp"
        android:contentDescription="@string/image_left"
        android:src="@drawable/ic_pic_left" />
    <LinearLayout</pre>
        android:layout_width="0dp"
        android:layout_height="match_parent"
        android:layout_marginLeft="20dp"
        android:layout_weight="2"
        android:orientation="vertical" >
            android:id="@+id/rowTextView1"
            android:layout width="wrap content"
            android:layout height="wrap content"
            android:text="@string/text1'
            android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceLarge" />
                                                                                              5 - 115
```

# Appendix C. Custom List – activity\_main.xml

Layout *activity main.xml* shows a ListView.

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# Appendix C. Custom List - list\_row\_gui.xml

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Layout *list\_gui\_row.xml* shows a custom-made row holding two lines of text and two images.

```
<TextView
                                                                  This is Line1
           android:id="@+id/rowTextView2"
           android:layout_width="wrap_content"
                                                                  This is Line2
           android:layout height="wrap content"
           android:text="@string/text2"
           android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceSmall" />
   </LinearLayout>
   <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/rowImageView2"
       android:layout width="50dp"
       android:layout height="50dp"
       android:contentDescription="@string/image_right"
       android:src="@drawable/ic_launcher" />
</LinearLayout>
```

#### Appendix C. Custom List - MainActivity.java

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The main activity exposes a ListView. A custom adapter is tied to the ListView. The adapter gets a reference to a test 'database' and the custom row layout.

# Appendix C. Custom List – CustomBaseAdapter.java

```
public long getItemId(int position) {
  return position;
@Override
public View getView(final int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {
  // use View-Holder pattern to reduce calls to inflate, findViewById
  // holder is a POJO for the GUI rows [textview1,textview2, img1, img2]
  MvViewHolder holder:
  // hopefully convertView is a scrapview already made (but out of sight)
  View row = convertView;
  // has this row-layout been already created?
  if (row == null) {
     // first time this row has to be created: (1) inflate custom layout
     // holding images and text, (2) invoke findViewById to access its
     // sub-components
     LayoutInflater inflater = ((Activity) context).getLayoutInflater();
     row = inflater.inflate(layoutToBeInflated, null);
     holder = new MyViewHolder();
                                                                            5 - 119
```

# Appendix C. Custom List - CustomBaseAdapter.java

The **getView** method in this extended BaseAdapter inflates a supplied row layout, gets access to its internal widgets. fills them with data and set listeners on some of them.

```
public class CustomBaseAdapter extends BaseAdapter {
  Context context;
  int layoutToBeInflated;
  List<DATABASE.DbRecord> dbList;
  public CustomBaseAdapter(Context context, List<DATABASE.DbRecord>
                           databaseList, int resource) {
     this.context = context;
     this.dbList = databaseList:
     layoutToBeInflated = resource;
  @Override
  public int getCount() {
     return dbList.size();
@Override
  public DATABASE.DbRecord getItem(int position) {
     return dbList.get(position);
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```

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```
// plumbing - provide access to each widget in the inflated layout
  // (two images & two lines of text)
  holder = new MyViewHolder();
  holder.textview1 = (TextView) row.findViewById(R.id.rowTextView1);
   holder.textview2 = (TextView) row.findViewById(R.id.rowTextView2);
   holder.imageview1 = (ImageView) row.findViewById(R.id.rowImageView1);
  holder.imageview2 = (ImageView) row.findViewById(R.id.rowImageView2);
  // identify this row with the POJO holder just created
   row.setTag(holder);
} else {
  // row was already created- no need to inflate and invoke findViewBvId
  // getTag() returns the object originally stored in this view
  holder = (MyViewHolder) row.getTag();
// enter(or restore) data that goes in this frame (from database 'position')
DATABASE.DbRecord dbRec = getItem(position);
holder.textview1.setText(dbRec.text1);
holder.textview2.setText(dbRec.text2);
holder.imageview1.setImageResource(dbRec.img1);
holder.imageview2.setImageResource(R.drawable.ic_Launcher);
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```

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```

```
// EXTRA: individual listeners go here - if you need only a single
  // listener for the entire row, put it into ActivityMain.
  // This is a CLICK listener on top of the right icon (imageview2)
  // (for example, here you start an intent to call phone[position])
  holder.imageview2.setOnClickListener(new OnClickListener() {
     @Override
     public void onClick(View v) {
        Toast.makeText(context,
              "(RIGHT) IMAGE CLICKED - " + position, 1).show();
  });
  // row listener (user clicks on any other part of the row)
  row.setOnClickListener(new OnClickListener() {
     @Override
     public void onClick(View v) {
        Toast.makeText(context,
              "ROW CLICKED - " + position, 1).show();
  });
  return row;
}// getView
```

# Appendix C. Custom List - CustomBaseAdapter.java

```
// A humble POJO holding references to GUI widgets that are part of rows
// shown by the list. They have already been made and their IDs are known,
// therefore there is no need to issue 'findViewById' calls again.

public class MyViewHolder {
    TextView textview1;
    TextView textview2;
    ImageView imageview1;
    ImageView imageview2;
}

}// CustomMadeListener
```

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# Appendix C. Custom List – DATABASE.java

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```
public class DATABASE {      // TEST DATABASE
  public String[] text1array = { "data-item1-01", "data-item1-02",
        "data-item1-03", "data-item1-04", "data-item1-05", "data-item1-06",
        "data-item1-07", "data-item1-08", "data-item1-09", "data-item1-10",
        "data-item1-11", "data-item1-12", "data-item1-13", "data-item1-14",
        "data-item1-15" };
  public String[] text2array = { "data-item2-01", "data-item2-02",
        "data-item2-03", "data-item2-04", "data-item2-05", "data-item2-06",
        "data-item2-07", "data-item2-08", "data-item2-09", "data-item2-10",
        "data-item2-11", "data-item2-12", "data-item2-13", "data-item2-14",
        "data-item2-15" };
  public Integer[] icon1array = { csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic01_small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic02 small.
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic03 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic04 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic05 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic06 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic07_small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic08 small.
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic09_small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic10 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic11 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic12_small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic13 small,
        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic14 small,
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        csu.matos.custom2.R.drawable.pic15 small, };
```

# Appendix C. Custom List - DATABASE.java

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```
public class DbRecord {
     public String text1;
     public String text2;
     public Integer img1;
     public DbRecord(String text1, String text2, Integer img1) {
        this.text1 = text1;
        this.text2 = text2;
        this.img1 = img1;
  }//dbRecord
  // dbList is a 'database' holding a list of DbRecods:[string,string,int]
  public ArrayList<DbRecord> dbList = new ArrayList<DbRecord>();
  // populate the 'database' with data items
  public DATABASE () {
     for(int i=0; i<text1array.length; i++){</pre>
        dbList.add(new DbRecord(text1array[i], text2array[i], icon1array[i]) );
}// DATABASE
                                                                               5 - 124
```