

Mobile Applications

CSCI 448

Lecture 14



Jetpack Compose
Navigation

Previously in CSCI 448



- Screen Size
 - Components are sized once when drawing
 - Size/pad using **dp** (fonts use **sp**)
 - Apply weights for relative sizing/placements
 - Weights distribute unused spaced amongst components
 - Use Box composable to aid with alignment of inner components
- Landscape Layouts
 - UI Logic based on current configuration

Questions?



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Learning Outcomes For Today



- Discuss how to implement Jetpack Navigation in the Compose framework
- Describe how NavGraphs implement the Builder Design Pattern

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- Navigation Components

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Jetpack Navigation



- Provides consistent UX by following established principles
- Simplifies moving through app via
 - Button Clicks
 - Menu Bars
 - Tabs
 - Navigation Drawers

Jetpack Nav: Step 0



- Include the dependency

```
// app/build.gradle

dependencies {
    implementation "androidx.navigation:navigation-runtime-ktx:2.5.3"
    implementation "androidx.navigation:navigation-compose:2.6.0-alpha05"
}
```


Navigation Components



- NavController
- NavHost
- NavGraph

(1) NavController



- Object that manages navigation through NavHost
- In Compose Framework, accessed via remember call
- Events trigger NavController actions to navigate through app

```
// inside composable
val navController = rememberNavController()

// inside an event handler
navController.navigate( ... )
```

(2) NavHost



- Composable container for navigation via NavController
- Handles controller state
- Manages back stack

(2) NavHost Cont.



- In Compose Framework, accessed via a Composable

```
NavHost(  
    navController = navController,  
    startDestination = "startingRoute"  
) {  
    // specify NavGraph  
}
```

(3) NavGraph



- Collection of destinations
 - Specify start destination
- In Compose Framework, destinations are a Composable

```
NavHost(navController = navController, startDestination = "myNavGraph") {  
    navigation (route = "myNavGraph", startDestination = "myRoute") {  
        composable(route = "myRoute") {  
            Text("This is my destination!")  
        }  
    }  
}
```

(3) NavGraph Cont.



- In Compose Framework, destinations are a Composable

```
NavHost(navController = navController, startDestination = "myNavGraph") {  
    navigation(route = "myNavGraph", startDestination = "myRoute") {  
        composable(route = "myRoute") {  
            Text("This is my destination!")  
        }  
        composable(route = "listScreen") {  
            ListScreen(...)  
        }  
        composable(route = "detailScreen") {  
            DetailScreen(...)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Design Pattern #6: Builder



- Separate the construction of a complex object from its representation so that the same construction process can create different representations
- Participants:
 - `Builder`: specifies an abstract interface for creating parts of a `Product` object
 - `Director`: constructs an object using the `Builder` interface
 - `ConcreteBuilder`: constructs & assembles part of the `Product` keeping track of the representation and providing an interface for retrieving the `Product`
 - `Product`: represents the complex object under construction, includes classes that define the constituent parts and interfaces for assembling the parts into the final result

Navigation Builder



- Builder →
- Director →
- ConcreteBuilder →
- Product →

Android Design Patterns



- Behavioral Patterns
 1. Command – UI Event Handling
 2. Observer – State
- Creational Patterns
 3. Builder – Compose NavGraph
 4. Factory – ViewModelFactory
 5. Singleton – ViewModelProvider, Repository
- Structural Patterns
 6. Decorator – View Model

Factory vs. Builder



- Factory
 - Builds the whole Product at once
 - Always builds the Product the same way and always makes similar instances of the Product
- Builder
 - Builds the Product piece by piece
 - Can build different versions of the same Product

Navigating



- Navigate to a destination
- In Compose Framework, performed via

```
navController.navigate("routeString")
```

(3) NavGraph Cont.



- In Compose Framework, destinations are a Composable

```
NavHost(navController = navController, startDestination = "myNavGraph") {  
    navigation(route = "myNavGraph", startDestination = "myRoute") {  
        composable(route = "myRoute") {  
            Text("This is my destination!")  
            Button( onClick = { navController.navigate("listScreen") } ) {  
                Text("Go To List")  
            }  
        }  
        composable(route = "listScreen") {  
            ListScreen(onGoToDetail = { navController.navigate("detailScreen") })  
        }  
        composable(route = "detailScreen") {  
            DetailScreen(...)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

On Tap For Today



- Navigation Components

To Do For Next Time



- Continue on Lab03 - due Thu Feb 16
- Lab04 due Thu Feb 23
- Lab05 & A2 will be posted ASAP
- Alpha Release due Mon Mar 13
 - Have screens and navigation in place