

Mobile Applications

CSCI 448

Lecture 23



Completing the Second Activity
Feedback Loop

Learning Outcomes For Today



- Create an app that uses multiple activities and send data between activities
- Discuss the OS role in the activity life cycle
- Explain the process to receive a response from a second activity

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Explicit Intent



CallingActivity.kt

```
val i = TargetActivity.newIntent(context, extraValue)
startActivity( i )
```

TargetActivity.kt

```
companion object {
    private const val EXTRA_KEY = "key"
    fun newIntent(pkgCtxt: Context, value: String): Intent {
        val i = Intent( pkgCtxt, TargetActivity::class.java )
        i.putExtra( EXTRA_KEY, value )
        return i
    }
}

override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
    val data = intent.getStringExtra(EXTRA_KEY, "")
}
```

Implicit Intent



```
onClickListener = {  
    val str = "string value"  
  
    val i = Intent(Intent.ACTION_SEND).apply {  
        type = "text/plain"  
        putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_TEXT, str)  
    }  
    startActivity(i)  
}
```

Start the Activity



- Launching new Activities
 - When no response needed:
`startActivity(intent)`

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Sending Data to Target Activity



```
val i = Intent(...)  
i.putExtra(key1, value1)  
i.putExtra(key2, value2)  
startActivity( i )
```

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Start the Activity



- Launching new Activities
 - When no response needed:
`startActivity(intent)`
 - When response is needed:
`startActivityForResult(intent)`

Start the Activity



- Launching new Activities
 - When no response needed:
`startActivity(intent)`
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`startActivityForResult(intent)`
 - Response received in **`onActivityResult()`**

Start the Activity



- Launching new Activities
 - When no response needed:
startActivity(intent)
 - When response is needed:
~~**startActivityResult(intent)**~~
 - Response received in ~~**onActivityResult()**~~
- **CallingActivity** may have been killed when **TargetActivity** was running!

Passing Data Back



- The Target Activity creates a new `Intent`, puts data into it as an `extra`, and calls `setResult()` with the result status and intent as arguments

```
private fun setAnswerShownResult(isAnswerShown: Boolean) {  
    val data = Intent()  
    data.putExtra(EXTRA_ANSWER_SHOWN, isAnswerShown)  
    setResult(RESULT_OK, data)  
}
```

Activity Launchers



- Launching new Activities
 - When no response needed:
startActivity(intent)
 - When response is needed:
~~startActivityResult(intent)~~
 - Response received in **~~onActivityResult()~~**
- **CallingActivity** may have been killed when **TargetActivity** was running

Create ActivityResultContract



```
abstract class ActivityResultContract< I, O? >
    abstract fun createIntent(context: Context, input: I): Intent
    abstract fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, intent: Intent?): O?
```


Create ActivityResultCallback



```
abstract class ActivityResultContract< I, O? >
    abstract fun createIntent(context: Context, input: I): Intent
    abstract fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, intent: Intent?): O?

interface ActivityResultCallback< O? >
    abstract fun onActivityResult( result: O? )
```

Create ActivityResultLauncher



```
abstract class ActivityResultContract< I, O? >
    abstract fun createIntent(context: Context, input: I): Intent
    abstract fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, intent: Intent?): O?

interface ActivityResultCallback< O? >
    abstract fun onActivityResult( result: O? )

abstract class ActivityResultLauncher< I >
    abstract fun launch( input: I )
```

ActivityResult Setup



```
val contract = object : ActivityResultContract< I, O? > {  
    override fun createIntent(context: Context, input: I): Intent { ... }  
    override fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, intent: Intent?): O? { ... }  
  
    val callback = object : ActivityResultCallback< O? > {  
        override fun onActivityResult( result: O? ) { ... }  
  
        override fun onCreate() {  
            val launcher: ActivityResultLauncher< I > = registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Android Design Patterns



- Behavioral Patterns
 1. **Command** – UI Event Handling, Retrofit Request Callback, Activity Result Callback
 2. **Observer** – State, Flow, LiveData
 3. **Template Method** - IScreenSpec
- Creational Patterns
 4. **Builder** – Compose NavGraph, WorkRequest, Constraints, Retrofit
 5. **Factory** – ViewModelFactory
 6. **Singleton** – ViewModelProvider, Repository, Room Database
- Structural Patterns
 7. **Decorator** – View Model
 8. **Façade** – DAO, Repository

ActivityResult Use



```
val contract = object : ActivityResultContract< I, O? > {  
    override fun createIntent(context: Context, input: I): Intent { ... }  
    override fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, intent: Intent?): O? { ... }  
  
val callback = object : ActivityResultCallback< O? > {  
    override fun onActivityResult( result: O? ) { ... }  
  
override fun onCreate() {  
    val launcher: ActivityResultLauncher< I > = registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)  
}  
  
// in some click listener  
launcher.launch( input )
```

ActivityResult Explicit Example



```
val contract = object : ActivityResultContract< String, SamodelkinCharacter? > {
    override fun createIntent(context: Context, input: String): Intent =
        SamodelkinCharacterPickerActivity.newIntent(context, input)
    override fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, result: Intent?): SamodelkinCharacter? {
        if(resultCode != Activity.RESULT_OK) return null
        return SamodelinCharacterPickerActivity.unpackCharacter(result)
    }
}

val callback = object : ActivityResultCallback< SamodelkinCharacter? > {
    override fun onActivityResult( newCharacter: SamodelkinCharacter? ) {
        if(newCharacter != null) {
            displayedCharacter = newCharacter
            // trigger view update
        }
    }
}

val launcher: ActivityResultLauncher< String > =
    registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)

...

launcher.launch( "Thorn Drumheller" )
```

ActivityResult Implicit Example



```
val contract = object : ActivityResultContract< Int, Uri? > {
    override fun createIntent(context: Context, ringtoneType: Int): Intent =
        Intent(RingtoneManager.ACTION_RINGTONE_PICKER).apply {
            putExtra(RingtoneManager.EXTRA_RINGTONE_TYPE, ringtoneType)
        }
    override fun parseResult(resultCode: Int, result: Intent?): Uri? {
        if(resultCode != Activity.RESULT_OK) return null
        return result?.getParcelableExtra(RingtoneManager.EXTRA_RINGTONE_PICKED_URI)
    }
}

val callback = object : ActivityResultCallback< Uri? > {
    override fun onActivityResult( newRingtone: Uri? ) {
        if(newRingtone != null) {
            // change ringtone
        }
    }
}

val launcher: ActivityResultLauncher< String > =
    registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)

...

launcher.launch( RingtoneManager.TYPE_ALARM )
```

ActivityResult Flow



`callingActivity.onCreate()`

- > `launcher = registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)`
- > `launcher.launch(input)`
- > `contract.createIntent()`
- > `onStop()`

`targetActivity.onCreate()`

- > `setResult()`
- > `finish()`

`callingActivity.onResume()`

- > `contract.parseResult`
- > `callback.onActivityResult`

ActivityResult Flow



`callingActivity.onCreate()`

- > `launcher = registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)`
- > `launcher.launch(input)`
- > `contract.createIntent()`
- > `onStop()`

`targetActivity.onCreate()`

- > `setResult()`

`callingActivity.onDestroy()`

- > `finish()`

`callingActivity.onCreate()`

- > `registerForActivityResult(contract, callback)`
- > `contract.parseResult`
- > `callback.onActivityResult`

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To Do For Next Time



- Lab07 due Fri Mar 10
- Alpha Release due Mon Mar 13 – have NavGraph in place
- A2 due Tue Mar 14
- Lab08 due Fri Mar 17
- Alpha Feedback due Fri Mar 17
- !!! Spring Break !!!
- Lab09 due Tue Mar 28