

# CS 213 Spring 2017

## Lecture 22: April 13

Movies App  
Search Functionality

# Implementing Search Using the Android Search Framework

# Android Search Framework

See [Develop -> API Guides -> User Interface -> Search](#)

There are two alternatives to providing a search function UI:

- A search dialog at the top of the screen
- OR, a search widget that is embedded in the app bar

The search widget is recommended, so we'll go with that.

# Add Search Action to Menu Resource

- Change `res/menu/add_menu.xml` to `res/menu/add_search_menu.xml`:

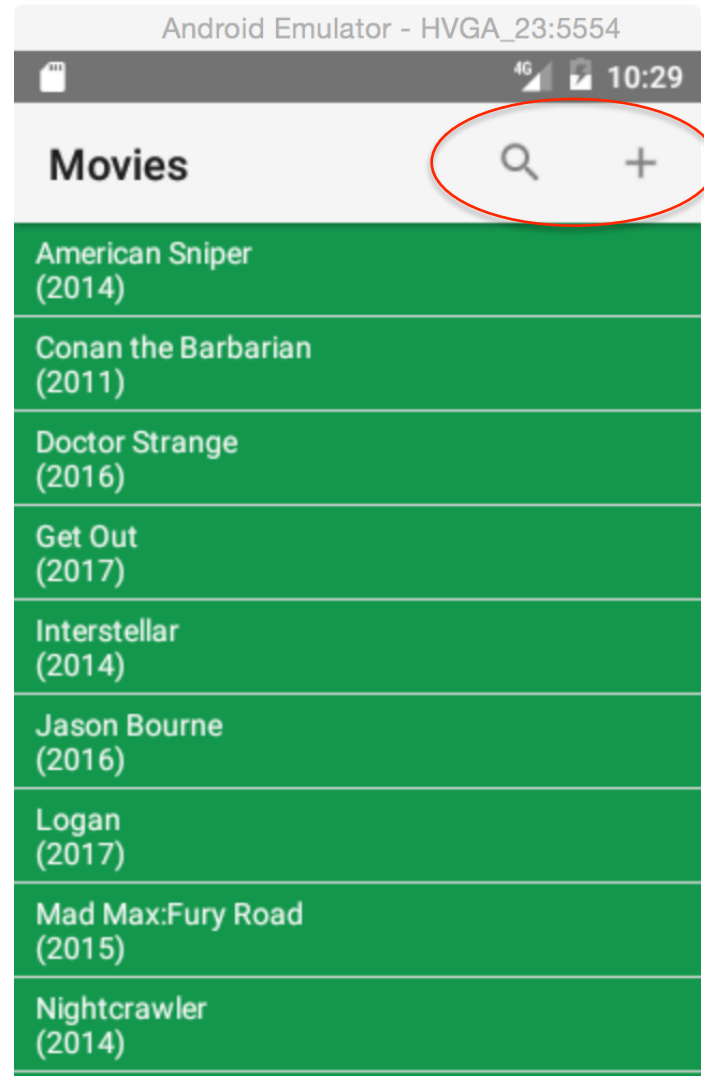
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<menu xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
      xmlns:appcompat="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-auto">
  <item android:id="@+id/action_search"
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_action_search_black"
        android:title="@string/search"
        appcompat:showAsAction="always"/>
  <item android:id="@+id/action_add"
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_action_plus_black"
        android:title="@string/add"
        appcompat:showAsAction="always"/>
</menu>
```

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Using black now

- Update `onCreateOptionsMenu` to inflate `R.menu.add_search_menu`:

# Add Search Function to Menu Resource for App Bar

Movies loaded  
from file



# Implementing the Search Function

## 1. Implement the search logic

The first thing to do is to add functionality to the app that will enable searching on movies.

The user can search for all movies that **start with a prefix string**.

Since the **Movies** class maintains the movie list, it would be appropriate to code the search functionality in that class: a method that would return a range of indices in the list of movies whose names start with the query prefix

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```
1. public int[] search(String query) {
    int lo=0, hi=songs.size()-1;
    int[] extent;
    String movie= query.toLowerCase();
    while (lo <= hi) {
        int mid=(lo+hi)/2;
        if (movies.get(mid).name.toLowerCase().startsWith(movie)) {
            // need to scan left and right of mid for all matches
            return getExtent(mid, movie);
        }
        // mid does not start with the given name, go left or right
        int c = query.compareToIgnoreCase(movies.get(mid).name);
        if (c < 0) {
            hi = mid-1;
        } else {
            lo = mid+1;
        }
    }

    return null;
}
```

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1.

```
private int[] getExtent(int mid, String movie) {
    int[] extent = new int[2];
    extent[0] = mid;
    // scan left
    while (extent[0] > 0) {
        if (movies.get(extent[0]-1).name.toLowerCase().startsWith(
                                                                    movie)) {
            extent[0]--;
        } else { break; }
    }
    // scan right
    extent[1] = mid;
    while (extent[1] < movies.size()-1) {
        if (movies.get(extent[1]+1).name.toLowerCase().startsWith(
            movie)) {
            extent[1]++;
        } else { break; }
    }
    return extent;
}
```



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## 2. Create a searchable configuration

To plug the search function into the Android search framework, we have to make what's called a searchable configuration, which is basically an xml file that should be placed in a directory called `xml` under `res`. (This is not a standard directory that's created with the project) Here's a sample file, called `searchable.xml`:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<searchable xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:label="@string/app_name"
    android:hint="@string/search_hint" >
</searchable>
```

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In `strings.xml`:

```
<string name="search_hint">Search Movie</string>
```

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## 3. Creating/declaring a searchable activity

Next, one activity in the app must be declared to be searchable, which will have code to process the search query.

In our app, we will make **Movies** the searchable activity – this is done by defining an intent-filter tag for **Movies** in the manifest:

```
<intent-filter>  
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.SEARCH" />  
</intent-filter>  
<meta-data android:name="android.app.searchable"  
    android:resource="@xml/searchable"/>
```

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## 4. Using a Search Widget as Action View in Action Bar

The search icon in the Action Bar is used to show up the “search widget”, with the following modification to the `add_search_menu.xml` file:

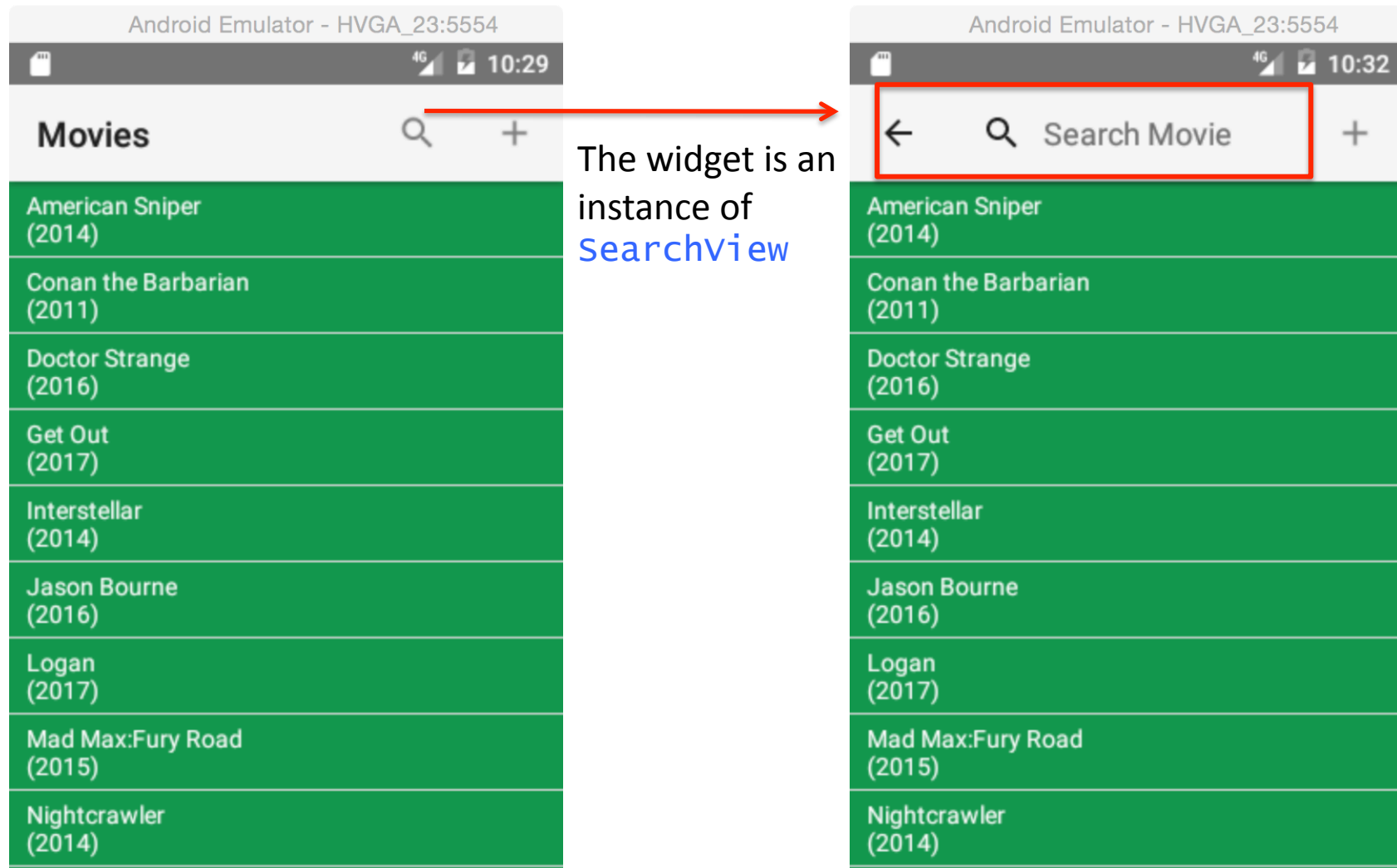
```
<item android:id="@+id/action_search"
      android:icon="@drawable/ic_action_search_black"
      android:title="@string/action_search"
      appcompat:showAsAction="collapseActionView|always"
      appcompat:actionViewClass="android.support.v7.widget.SearchView" />
```

See

Develop->Training->Best Practices for User Interface->Adding the App Bar->  
Action View and Action Providers

<http://developer.android.com/training/appbar/action-views.html>

# Search Widget as Action View in App Bar



# Implementing the Search Function

## 5. Associating the Searchable Configuration (XML) with the Search View

This is done by overriding the `onCreateOptionsMenu` method in `Movies`:

```
public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {  
    getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.add_search_menu, menu);  
  
    // Get the SearchView and set the searchable configuration  
    SearchManager searchManager =  
        (SearchManager) getSystemService(Context.SEARCH_SERVICE);  
    SearchView searchView =  
        (SearchView) menu.findItem(R.id.action_search).getActionView();  
    // Assumes current activity is the searchable activity  
    searchView.setSearchableInfo(searchManager  
        .getSearchableInfo(getComponentName()));  
    // Do not iconify the widget; expand it by default  
    searchView.setIconifiedByDefault(false);  
  
    return super.onCreateOptionsMenu(menu);  
}
```

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## 6. Running `Movies` in `singleTop` mode

When search is activated, a new instance of `Movies` would be created and launched (since is declared in the manifest as the activity to call when a search is done).

But it's a waste to have a new instance of an activity for every search request. Setting the activity to run in `singleTop` mode makes sure the same instance of `Movies` that is on the top of the activity stack is used for the `search` as well:

```
<activity android:name=".Movies"  
          android:launchMode="singleTop">
```

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## 7. Coding `Movies` to work with regular and search intents

Since `Movies` will also act as the target of a search request, there needs to be a way to distinguish between two intents.

First, override the `onNewIntent` method:

```
protected void onNewIntent(Intent intent) {  
    setIntent(intent);  
    handleIntent(intent);  
}
```

Then, implement the `handleIntent` method:

```
private void handleIntent(Intent intent) {  
    if (Intent.ACTION_SEARCH.equals(intent.getAction())) {  
        String query =  
            intent.getStringExtra(SearchManager.QUERY);  
        showSearchResults(query);  
    } else {  
        showMovieList();  
    }  
}
```

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## 8. Refactoring the original intent (show song list) code

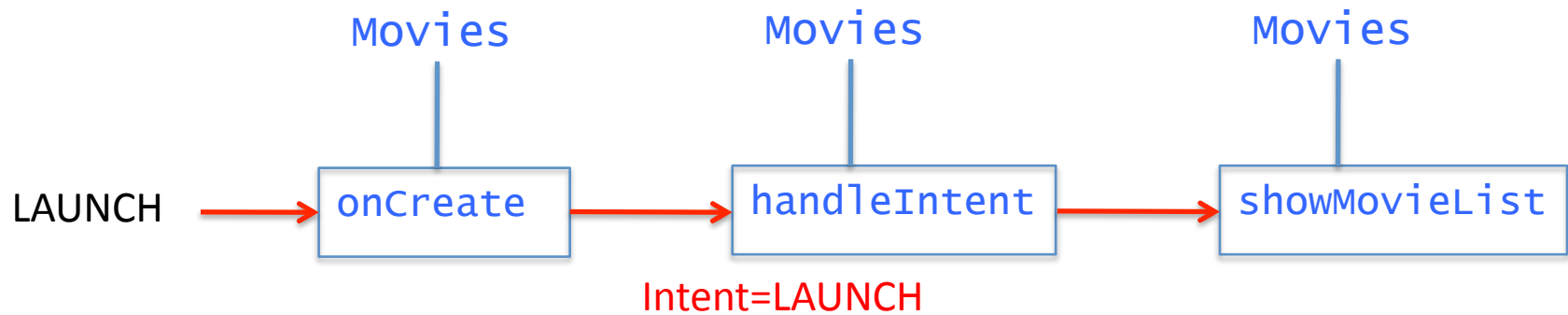
From `onCreate`, move the block of code that sets list adapter and list item selection listener, into the `showMovieList` method:

```
private void showMovieList() {  
    listView.setAdapter(  
        new ArrayAdapter<Movie>(this, R.layout.movie, movies));  
  
    listView.setOnItemClickListener(  
        new AdapterView.OnItemClickListener() {  
            @Override  
            public void onItemClick(AdapterView<?> parent,  
                                    View view, int position, long id) {  
                showMovie(position);  
            }  
        }  
    );  
}
```

Call `handleIntent(getIntent())` in place of the moved code block

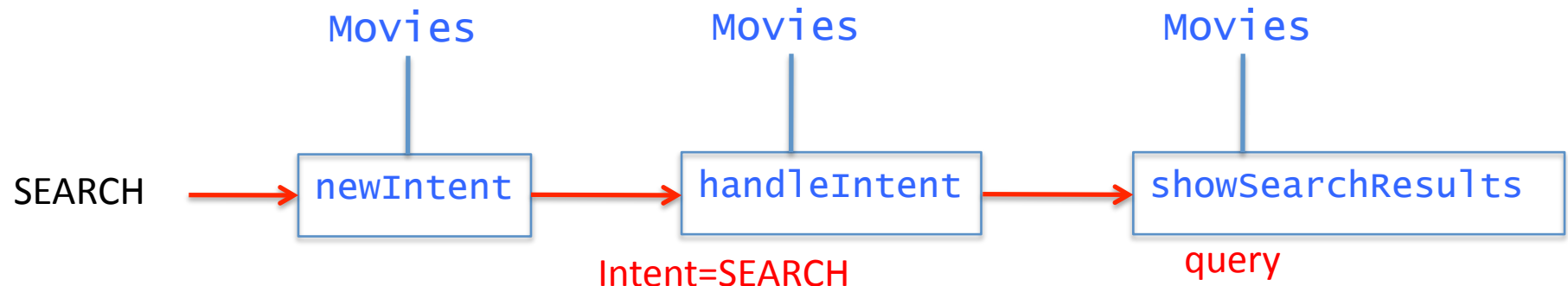


# Control Flow: App is Launched



# Control Flow: Search is made

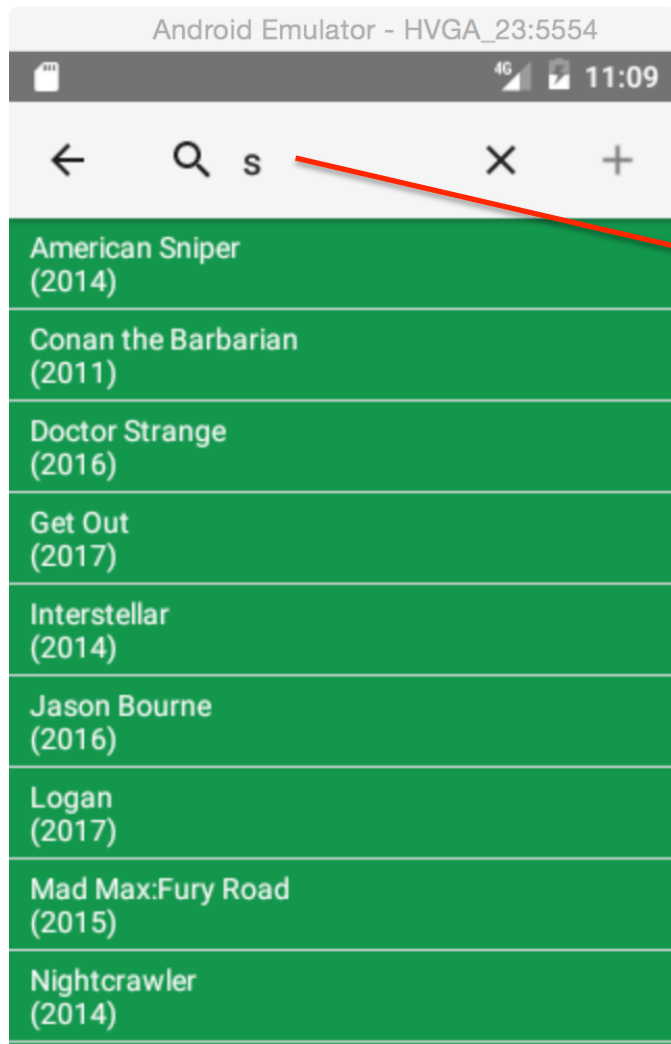
On the same instance of `Movies`, a new intent (SEARCH) is issued, which invokes a call to the `newIntent` method



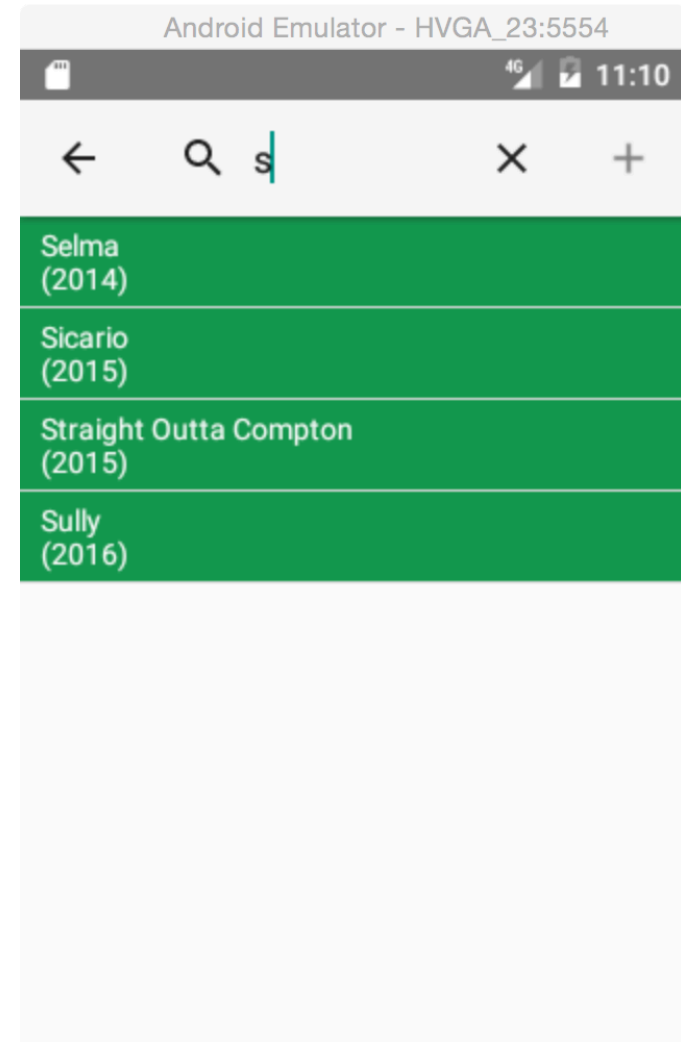
The Android framework ships the search query with the intent, which can be retrieved:

```
String query =  
    intent.getStringExtra(SearchManager.QUERY);
```

# Making a search



Search logic  
uses search  
query as prefix



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## 9. Implementing `showSearchResults`

```
private void showSearchResults(String query) {  
    int[] extent = myList.search(query);  
    if (extent == null || extent.length == 0) { // no matches  
        String msg = getString(R.string.search_empty, new Object[] {query});  
        Toast.makeText(this, msg, Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();  
        return;  
    }  
  
    makeResultList(extent);  
    searchListStartPos = extent[0];  
    listView.setOnItemClickListener(  
        new AdapterView.OnItemClickListener() {  
            public void onItemClick(AdapterView<?> parent,  
                                    View view, int position,  
                                    long id) {  
                int lastPickedIndex =  
                    Movies.this.searchListStartPos+position;  
                showMovie(lastPickedIndex);  
            }  
        }  
    );  
}
```

No match found for \"%s\"

Define instance field

listener for search results list

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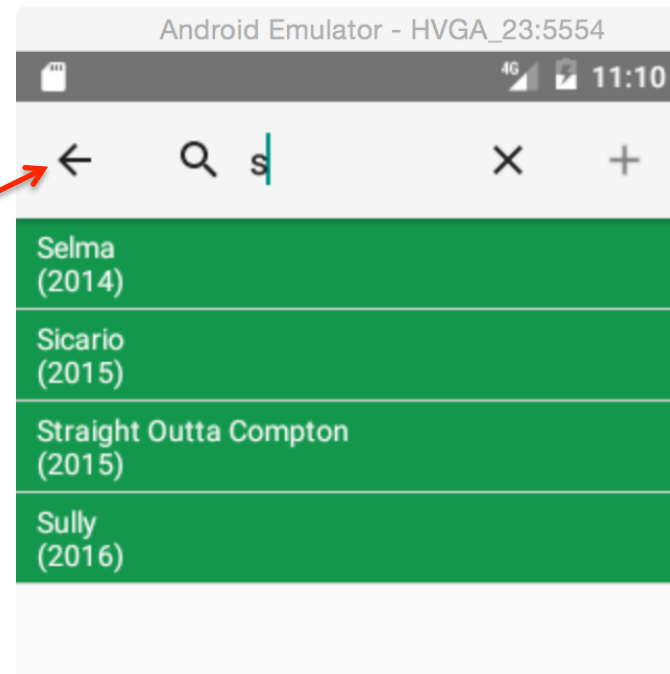
## 9. Implementing `showSearchResults` - `makeResultList`

```
private void makeResultList(int[] extent) {  
    int count = extent[1] - extent[0] + 1;  
    Movie[] matches = new Movie[count];  
  
    for (int i=0; i < matches.length; i++) {  
        matches[i] = movies.get(extent[0]+i);  
    }  
    listView.setAdapter(  
        new ArrayAdapter<Movie>(this, R.layout.movie, matches));  
}
```

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## 10. Making search widget's up nav go back to main list

Without explicit handling, the up nav will recycle back into **Movies** with filtered list of search results, not the original list

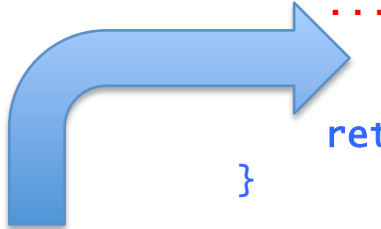


Need to watch for **collapse of the action view** (associated with the search menu item in action bar), and reset the list to the original

# Implementing the Search Function

## 10. Take action when action view is collapsed

```
public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {  
    getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.add_search_menu, menu);  
  
    // Get the SearchView and set the searchable configuration  
    SearchManager searchManager =  
        (SearchManager) getSystemService(Context.SEARCH_SERVICE);  
    ...  
    return super.onCreateOptionsMenu(menu);  
}
```



We're going to get a hold of the search action menu item (corresponding to the action icon), and handle the collapse event (which happens when the up nav arrow is tapped on the search widget) to reset the list view to the original master list

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## 10. Handle action collapse event callback

```
public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
    getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.add_search_menu, menu);

    // Get the SearchView and set the searchable configuration
    ...

    MenuItem searchItem = menu.findItem(R.id.action_search);
    MenuItemCompat.setOnActionExpandListener(searchItem,
        new MenuItemCompat.OnActionExpandListener() {
            @Override
            public boolean onMenuItemActionCollapse(MenuItem item) {
                // Do something when collapsed
                listView.setAdapter(new ArrayAdapter<Movie>(Movies.this, movie, movies));
                searchListStartPos=0;
                return true; // Return true to collapse action view
            }

            @Override
            public boolean onMenuItemActionExpand(MenuItem item) {
                // Do something when expanded
                return true; // Return true to expand action view
            }
        });

    return super.onCreateOptionsMenu(menu);
}
```

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