

1 Face Detection API

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3 Steps

Create new kotlin project, **app: facedetectapp, company: ai.kotlin.io**

0. If want to try Firebase feature, a mobile app development platform, enable certain plugins from right bottom menu, [Configure] ➔ [Plugins] ➔ all plugins beginning with Firebase.
1. Android target SDK-28 (Pie) required, install it from

```
[Tools] ➔ [SDK Manager] ➔ [Android SDK] ➔ [SDK platform] (☑ Show Packages Details)  
    ▾ Android 9.0 Pie  
        ☑ Android SDK Platform 28
```

also install intel x86 Atom_64 System Image if want to test it on the fly.

2. create new project, App name: FaceDetectApp (Company name: ai.kotlin.io), as usual; and set the SDK conditions: **minSdkVersion 21, targetSdkVersion 28**.
3. modify [build.gradle (Project: FaceDetectApp)]:

```

buildscript {
    ...
    repositories {
        google()
        jcenter()
    }
    dependencies {
        classpath 'com.android.tools.build:gradle:3.4.0'
        classpath "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-gradle-plugin:$kotlin_version"
        classpath 'com.google.gms:google-services:4.2.0'
    }
}
allprojects {
    repositories {
        jcenter()
        maven { url "https://jitpack.io" }
        google()
    }
}
...

```

- modify [build.gradle (Module: app)]: here the entire list of dependent libraries:

```

...
dependencies {
    implementation fileTree(dir: 'libs', include: ['*.jar'])
    implementation "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-stdlib-jdk7:$kotlin_version"

    //noinspection GradleCompatible
    implementation 'com.android.support:appcompat-v7:28.0.0'
    implementation 'com.android.support:design:28.0.0'
    implementation 'com.github.husaynhakeem:android-face-detector:v1.2'
    implementation 'com.otaliastudios:cameraview:1.6.0'
    implementation 'com.google.firebase:firebase-core:16.0.5'
    implementation 'com.google.android.gms:play-services-vision:11.8.0'
    testImplementation 'junit:junit:4.12'
    androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support.test:runner:1.0.2'
    androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support.test.espresso:espresso-core:3.0.2'
}

apply plugin: 'com.google.gms.google-services'

```

and **sync** project.

- Set up [Firebase] of the project:
 - Click [Tools > Firebase] to open the Assistant window.
 - Click to expand one of the listed features (for example, Analytics), then click the provided tutorial link (for example, Log an Analytics event).
 - Click the Connect to Firebase button] to connect to Firebase and add the necessary code to your app.
 - register Firebase
 - [Firebase Console] [events] [Android] and download the file, `google-services.json`, and put it on the directory, `$Project/app/`.
- To make Face detector app is easy by Firebase ML Kit's face detection API. Here, we introduce how to create such app based on "android-face-detector", a library on top of Firebase ML Kit's face detection API. In brief, face-detect app is designed in three steps:
 - Add a FaceBoundsOverlay on top of your camera view:

```

<FrameLayout    ...>
    <CameraView
        ... />
    <husaynhakeem.io.facedetector.FaceBoundsOverlay
        ... />
</FrameLayout>

```

- Define a FaceDetection instance and connect it to camera o device:

```

private val faceDetector: FaceDetector by lazy {
    FaceDetector(facesBoundsOverlay)
}
...
cameraView.addFrameProcessor {
    faceDetector.process(Frame(
        data = it.data,
        rotation = it.rotation,
        size = Size(it.size.width, it.size.height),
        format = it.format,
        isCameraFacingBack = cameraView.facing))
}

```

- Setup firebase in this project.

4 Details

1 UI, acyivity_main.xml: use cameraview of otaliastudios:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<FrameLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    tools:context=".MainActivity">

    <com.otaliastudios.cameraview.CameraView
        android:id="@+id/cameraView"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="match_parent"
        android:keepScreenOn="true" />

    <husaynhakeem.io.facedetector.FaceBoundsOverlay
        android:id="@+id/facesBoundsOverlay"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="match_parent" />

    <android.support.design.widget.FloatingActionButton
        android:id="@+id/revertCameraButton"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_gravity="bottom|end"
        android:layout_margin="16dp"
        android:src="@drawable/camera" />

</FrameLayout>

```

Within the last UI object, FloatingActionButton, we add a icon picture, called camera.png, which was placed within \$Res/drawable sub-folder.

- kotlin part: init faceDectector with cmeraview, startup after setup:

```

package io.kotlin.ai.facedetectapp

import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity
import android.os.Bundle
import com.otaliastudios.cameraview.Facing
import husaynhakeem.io.facedetector.FaceDetector
import husaynhakeem.io.facedetector.models.Frame
import husaynhakeem.io.facedetector.models.Size
import kotlinx.android.synthetic.main.activity_main.*

class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {

    private val faceDetector: FaceDetector by lazy {
        FaceDetector(facesBoundsOverlay)
    }
}

```

```

override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main)
    setupCamera()
}

private fun setupCamera() {
    cameraView.addFrameProcessor {
        faceDetector.process(Frame(
            data = it.data,
            rotation = it.rotation,
            size = Size(it.size.width, it.size.height),
            format = it.format,
            isCameraFacingBack = cameraView.facing == Facing.BACK))
    }
    // Toggles the facing value between Facing.FRONT and Facing.BACK.
    revertCameraButton.setOnClickListener {
        cameraView.toggleFacing()
    }
}

override fun onResume() {
    super.onResume()
    cameraView.start()
}

override fun onPause() {
    super.onPause()
    cameraView.stop()
}

override fun onDestroy() {
    super.onDestroy()
    cameraView.destroy()
}
}

```

Happy ending ...

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