

Android UI Development

Android Studio

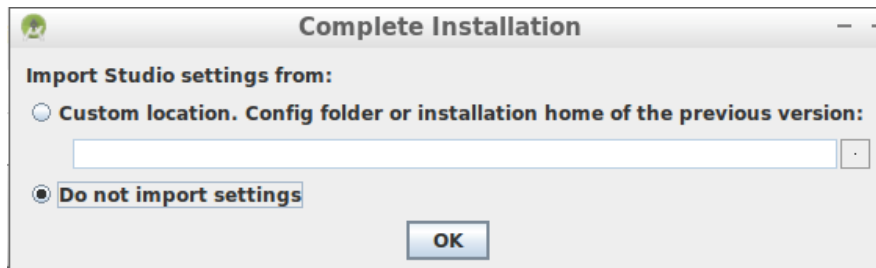
Widget

Layout

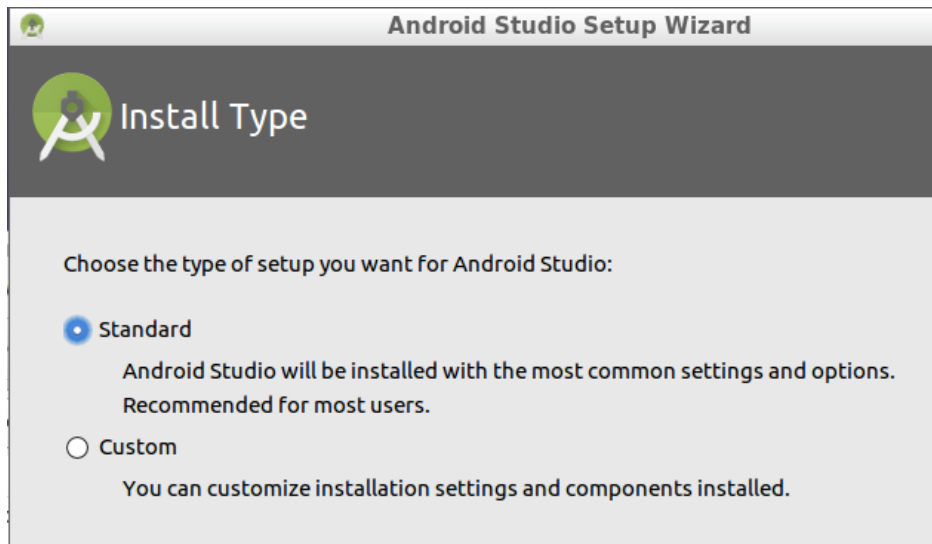


Android Development Environment

1. Install Android Studio, and run it
<https://developer.android.com/studio/install.html>
2. Don't import previous settings



1. Choose “install standard type”



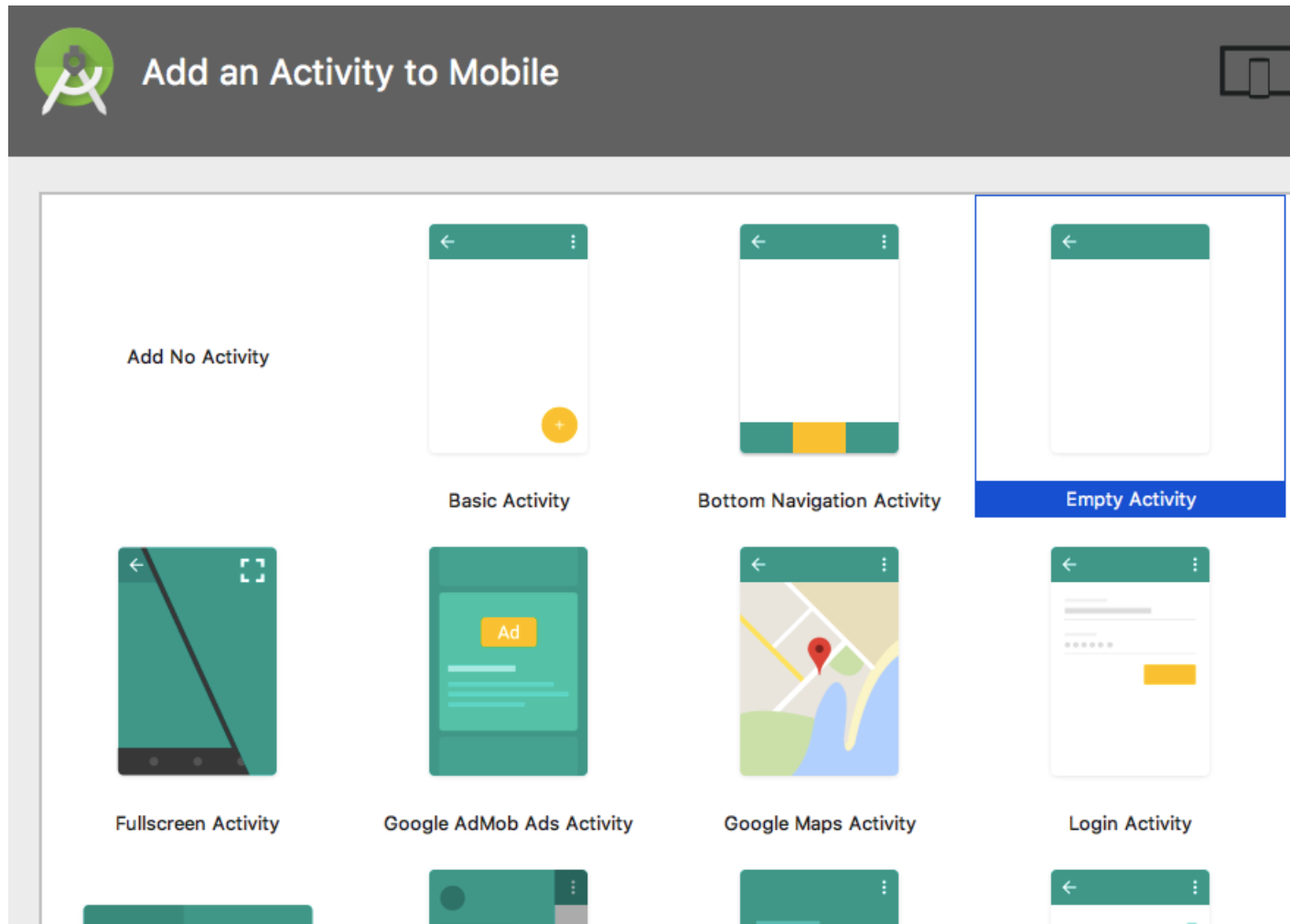
Create new project

- Domain
 - only important if you release your app, can just use something like: `cosc341.ubco.ca`
- Need to choose which API to target

ANDROID PLATFORM VERSION	API LEVEL	CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION
4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich	15	
4.1 Jelly Bean	16	99.2%
4.2 Jelly Bean	17	96.0%
4.3 Jelly Bean	18	91.4%
4.4 KitKat	19	90.1%
5.0 Lollipop	21	71.3%
5.1 Lollipop	22	62.6%
6.0 Marshmallow	23	39.3%
7.0 Nougat	24	8.1%
7.1 Nougat	25	1.5%

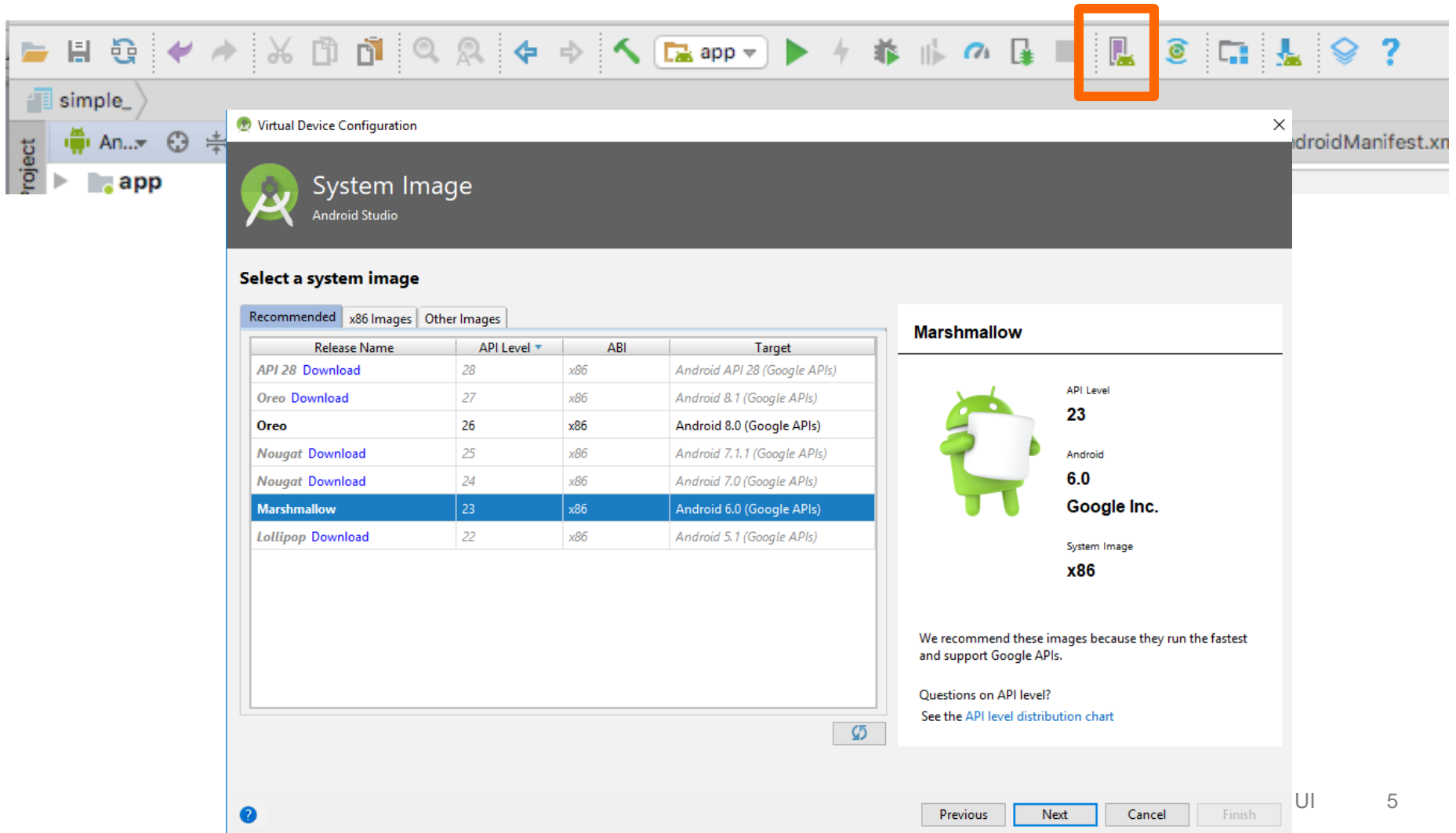
Create new project - Activity templates -

- For the assignment, choose “Empty Activity”



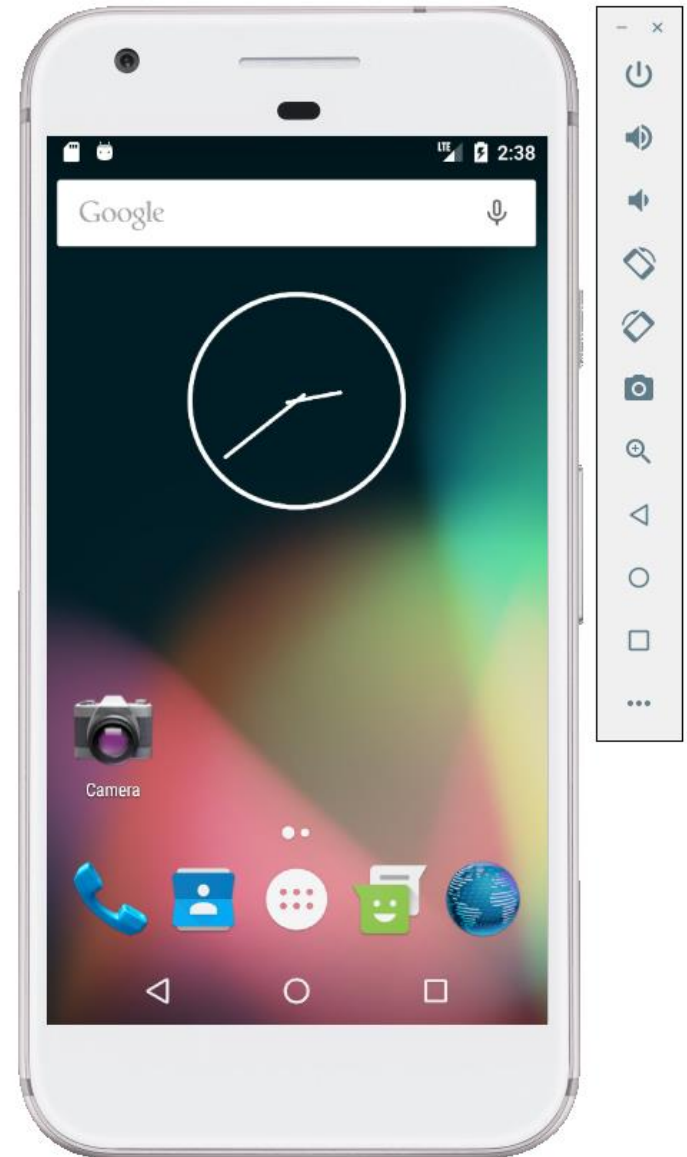
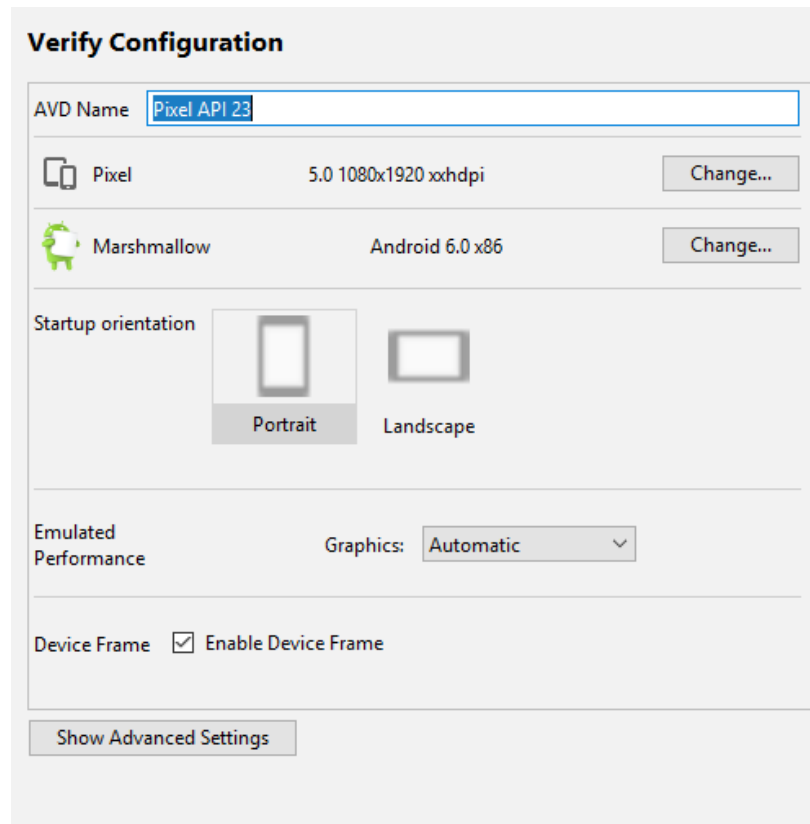
Create Android Virtual Device (ADV) For testing

- Device: Pixel
- System: Android API 23 (Marshmallow)



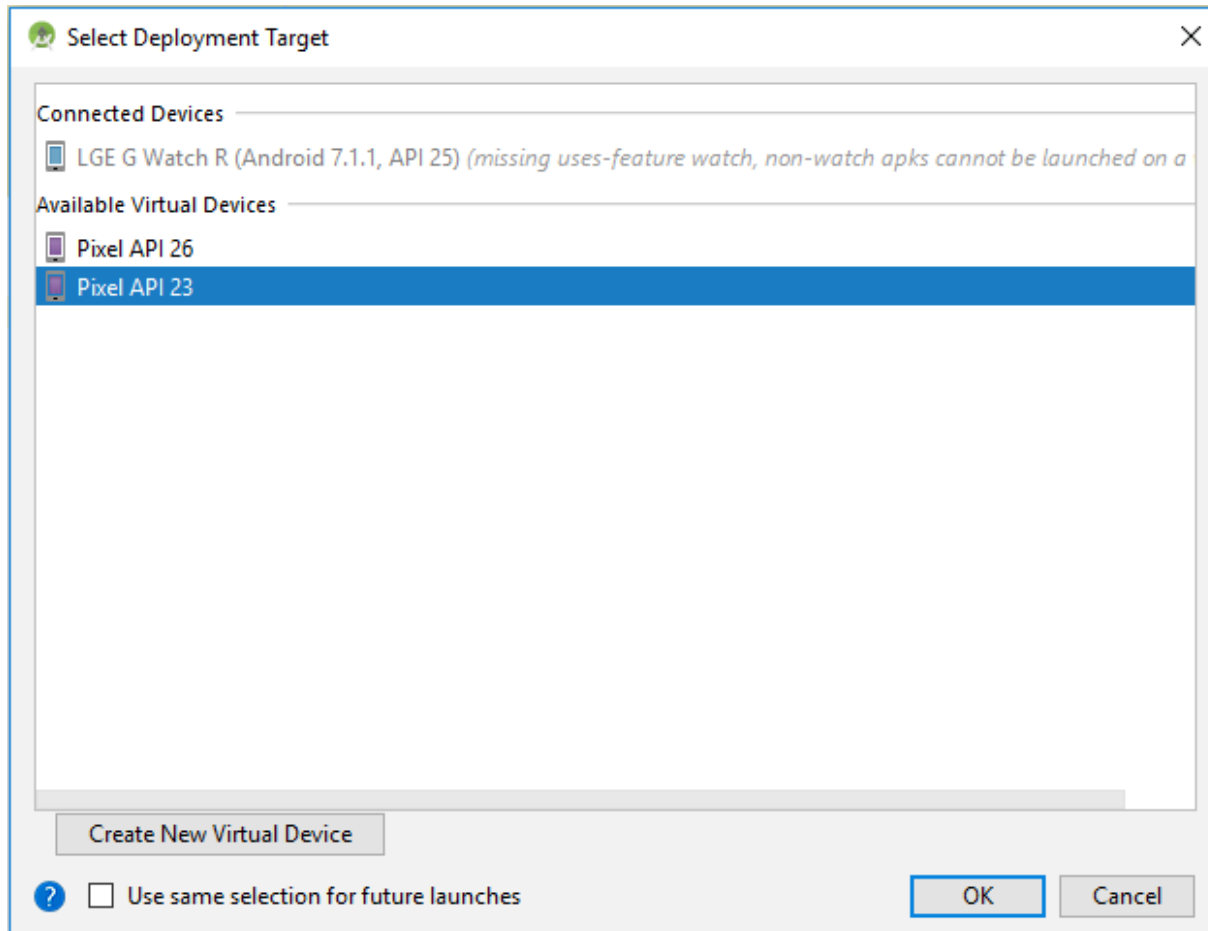
Android Virtual Device (AVD)

- The AVD is slow to launch, so keep it running in the background while you're programming / debugging.



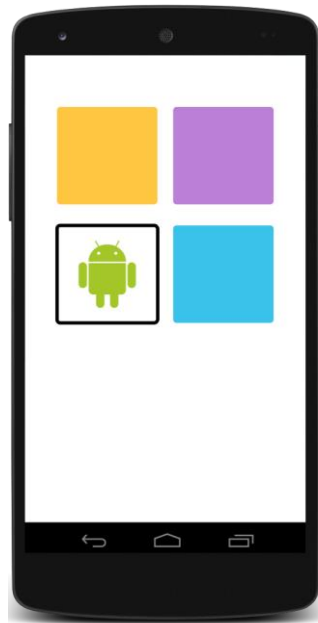
Run sample code

- Run
- Select Deployment Target -> Pixel API 23 (the one just created)

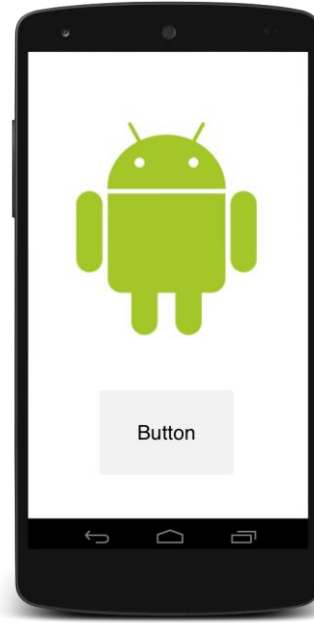


Activities

- A standard application component is an Activity
 - Typically represents a single screen
 - Main entry point (equivalent to main() method)
 - For most purposes, this is your application class



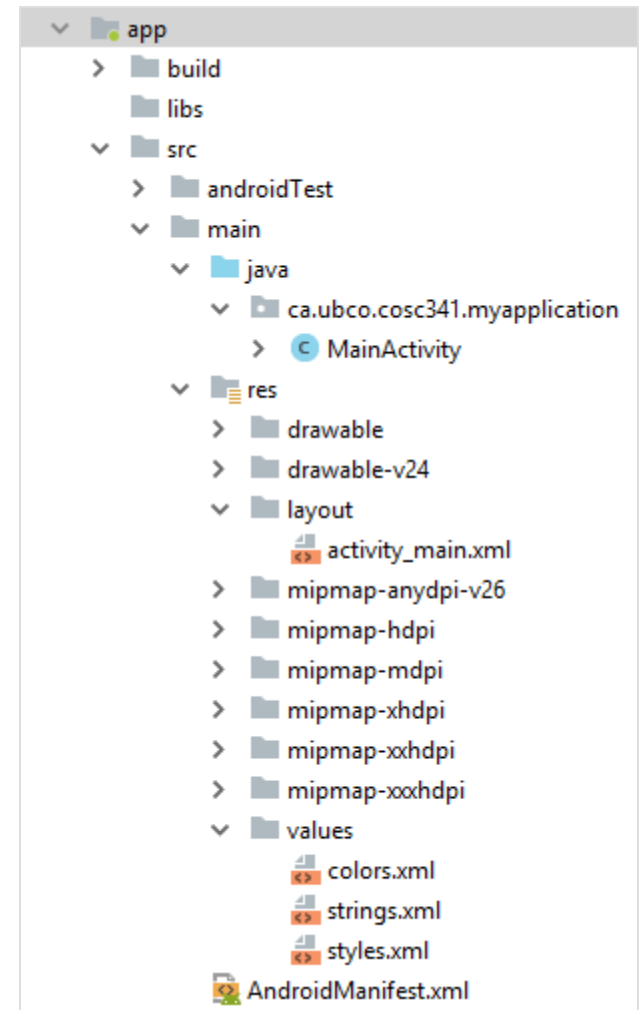
Activity 1



Activity 2

Android Project Files

- Manifest (app/manifests/)
 - Application setting
- Java (app/java/)
 - **(*`.java`) source code**
- Resources (app/res/)
 - **layout: (*`.xml`) UI layout and View definitions**
 - **values: (*`.xml`) constants** like strings, colours, ...
 - also bitmaps and SVG images (mipmap*, drawable*,)



Manifest

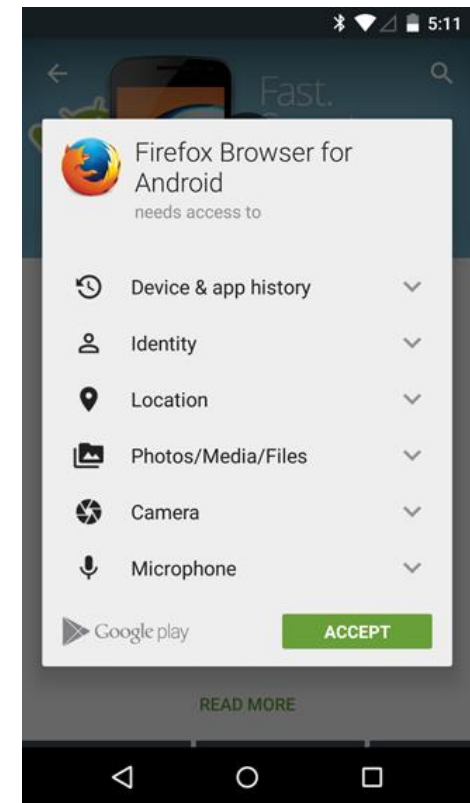
- Metadata about the app
- App components, Intent filters

```
<application
    android:allowBackup="true"
    android:icon="@mipmap/ic_launcher"
    android:label="@string/app_name"
    android:theme="@style/AppTheme">
    <activity android:name=".MainActivity">
        <intent-filter>
            <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
            <category
                android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
        </intent-filter>
    </activity>
</application>
```

Manifest – Permissions -

```
<manifest>
  <uses-permission
    android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
  <uses-permission
    android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION" />
  <uses-permission
    android:name="android.permission.SEND_SMS" />
</manifest>
```

- Android must request permission to access sensitive user data



App Resources

- Each type of resource in a specific subdirectory of your project's **res/** directory
- Access them using resource IDs that are generated in the project's R class

app/

manifest/

java/

res/

drawable/

graphic.png

layout/

activity_main.xml

mipmap/

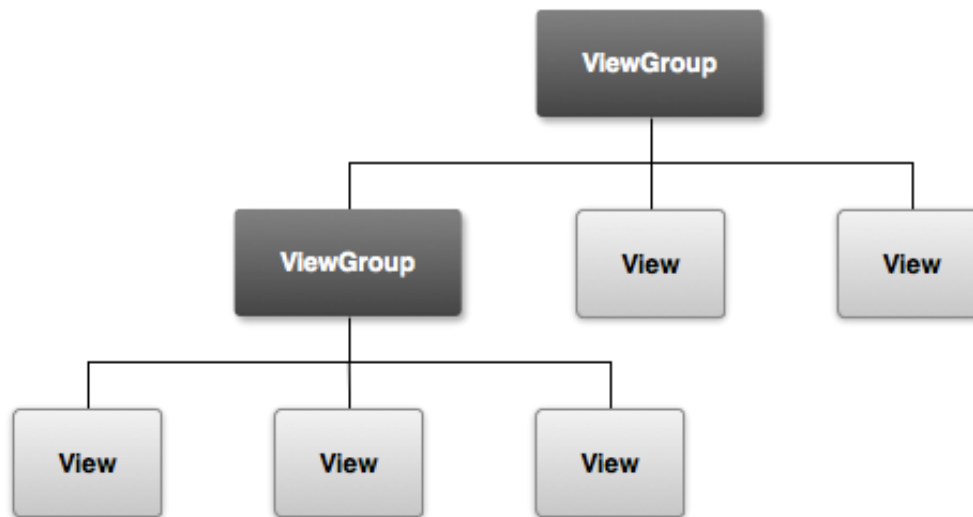
icon.png

values/

strings.xml

Layouts

- Defines the structure for a user interface
- Built using a hierarchy of View and ViewGroup
- A View usually draws something the user can see and interact with
- A ViewGroup is an invisible container that defines the layout structure for View and other ViewGroup objects



Views (what android calls a widget)

android.view.View

- Base widget class (drawing and event handling)
- Subclasses:

`android.widget.Button`

`android.widget.ImageView`

`android.widget.ProgressBar`

`Android.widget.TextView`

`...`

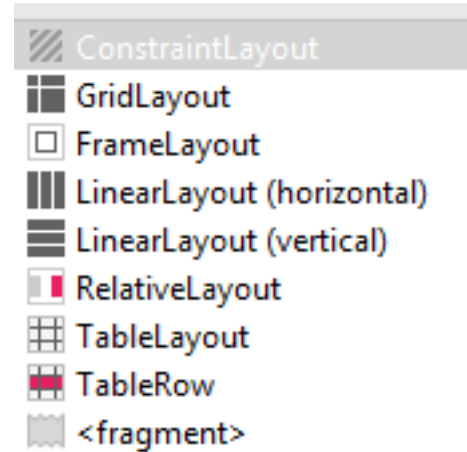
android.view.ViewGroup

- Abstract container class
- Includes layout functionality directly
- Subclasses:

`LinearLayout`, `RelativeLayout`, `GridLayout`, ...

Common Layouts

- Defines the structure for a user interface in your app
- Can be nested



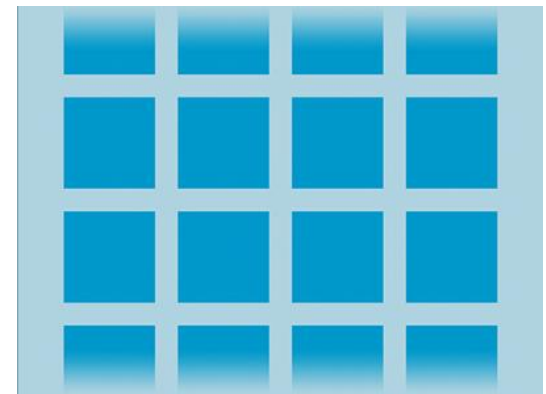
Linear Layout

A layout that organizes its children into a single horizontal or vertical row



Relative Layout

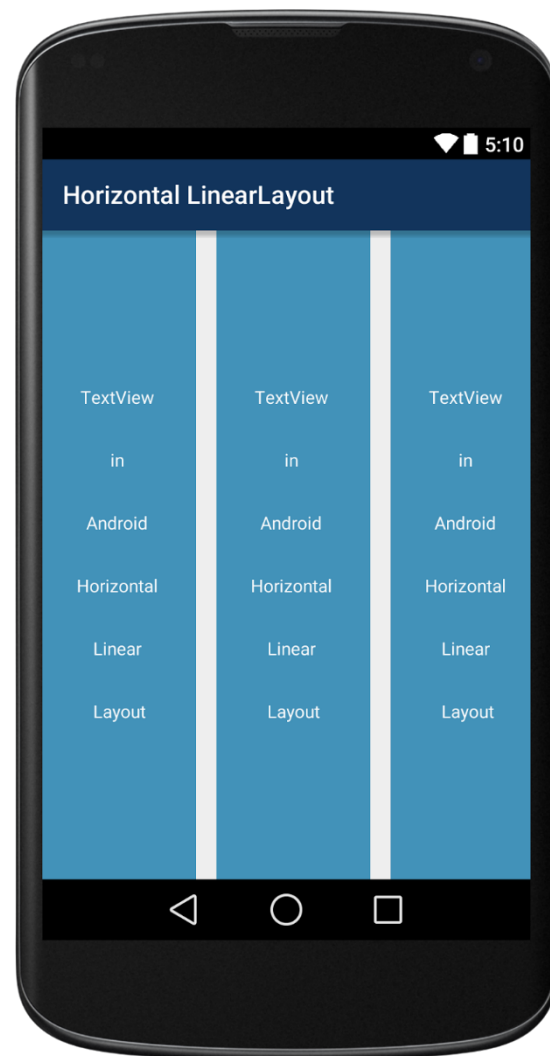
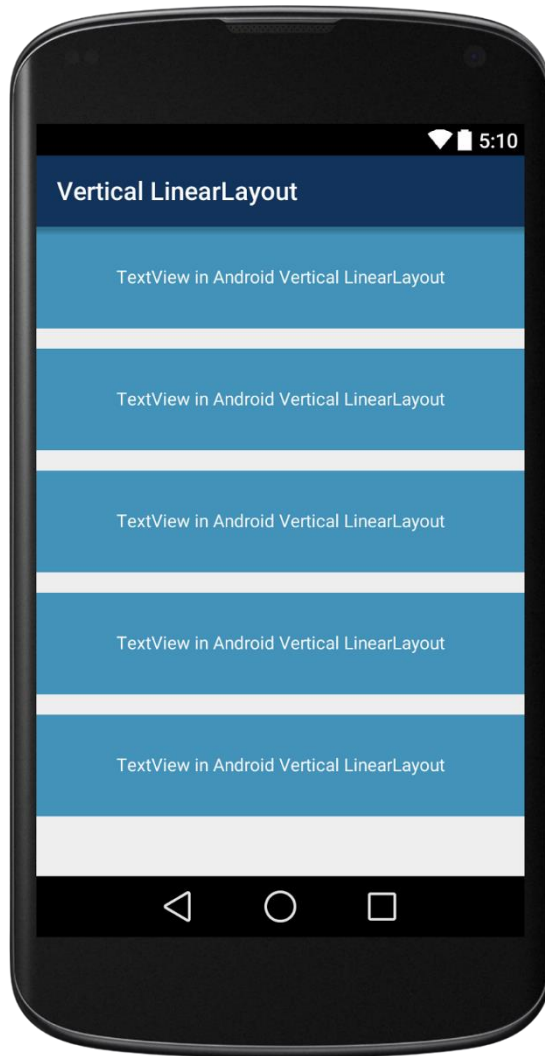
Enables us to specify the location of child objects relative to each other or to the parent.



Grid View

Displays items in a two-dimensional, scrollable grid

Common Layouts



UI Definition and Layout

- Layout can be handled in one of two ways:
 - **Programmatically.** You write code to instantiate ViewGroups, Views and bind them together (like in Java Swing).
 - **Use XML to describe your layout.** In XML describe the screen elements (view groups and views) along with properties, and then tell your application to dynamically load it.
- Using XML is the preferred way
 - Android Studio includes a GUI builder to make this easier!

Editing XML

The screenshot displays the Android Studio IDE in the 'Design' tab. On the left, the Project Explorer shows the file structure of the application, with the 'layout' folder and 'activity_main.xml' file highlighted. The middle pane shows the Component Tree, indicating the current selection is an 'EditText' widget. The right pane shows the visual design of the layout, which includes a blue header bar with the text 'My Application', a text input field with the placeholder 'Type your name', and a 'CONFIRM' button. The status bar at the bottom indicates the current page is 'Android UI' and the page number is '18'.

Editing XML: XML Version

The screenshot displays an IDE interface for editing an Android XML layout file. On the left, the project tree shows the file structure, with the 'layout' folder expanded and 'activity_main.xml' selected. The main editor area shows the XML code for the layout, which includes a `<android.support.constraint.ConstraintLayout>` and an `<EditText>` widget. The XML code is as follows:

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

    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_marginEnd="8dp"
        android:layout_marginStart="8dp"
        android:text="Confirm"
        app:layout_constraintEnd_toEndOf="parent"
        app:layout_constraintStart_toStartOf="parent"
        tools:layout_editor_absoluteY="231dp" />

    <EditText
        android:id="@+id/editText"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_marginBottom="8dp"
        android:layout_marginEnd="8dp"
        android:layout_marginStart="8dp"
        android:layout_marginTop="8dp"
        android:ems="10"
        android:inputType="textPersonName"
        android:text="Type your name"
        app:layout_constraintBottom_toTopOf="@+id/button"
        app:layout_constraintEnd_toEndOf="parent"
        app:layout_constraintStart_toStartOf="parent"
        app:layout_constraintTop_toTopOf="parent" />

</android.support.constraint.ConstraintLayout>
```

The bottom status bar shows the 'Text' tab is active, indicating the XML file is being edited in text mode.

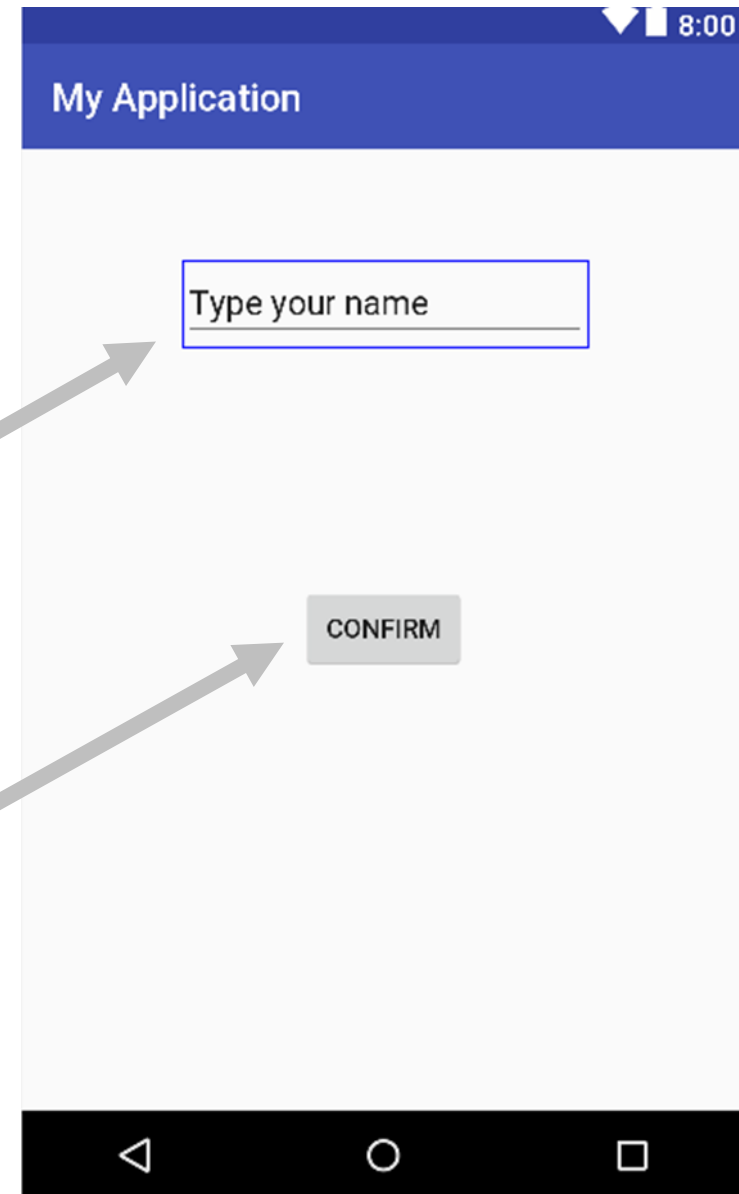
Layout Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<android.support.constraint.ConstraintLayout
    ...
    tools:context=".MainActivity">

    <EditText
        android:id="@+id/editText"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:inputType="textPersonName"
        android:text="Type your name"
        ...
    />

    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="Confirm"
        .../>

</android.support.constraint.ConstraintLayout>
```



Layout

- When you compile your app, each XML layout file is compiled into a View resource
- calling [setContentView\(\)](#), passing it the reference to your layout resource in the form of: **R.layout.layout_file_name**.
- app/java/MainActivity.java

```
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);  
}
```

View (Widget)

Properties:

- Background color, text, font, alignment, size, padding, margin, etc

Event Listeners :

- respond to various events such as: click, long-click, focus change, etc.

Set focus:

- Set focus on a specific view `requestFocus()` or use XML tag `<requestFocus />`

Visibility:

- You can hide or show views using `setVisibility(...)`.

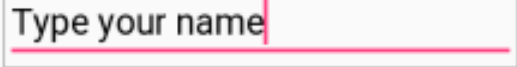
Views: TextViews

Hello World!

```
<TextView  
    android:id="@+id/txtHello"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:text="Hello World!" />
```

```
TextView helloTextView = findViewById(R.id.txtHello);  
helloTextView.setText("COSC 341");
```

Views: EditText



<EditText

```
    android:id="@+id/name"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:inputType="textPersonName"  
    android:text="@string/name" >  
    <requestFocus/>
```

<EditText/>

```
EditText nameView = findViewById(R.id.name);  
Text name = nameView.getText().toString();
```


Views: Buttons



<Button

```
    android:id="@+id/btnAlarm"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:text="@string/alarm" />
```

<https://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/controls/button.html>

Responding to Button Events

- *Option 1*

```
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnAlarm"
    .....
    android:onClick="sendMessage"/>
```

```
/** Called when the user touches the button */
public void sendMessage(View view) {
    // Do something in response to button click
}
```

- *Option 2*

```
Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.btnAlarm);
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    public void onClick(View v) {
        // Do something in response to button click
    }
});
```

Radio Buttons

```
<RadioGroup
```

```
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
```

```
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:orientation="horizontal">
```

```
    <RadioButton
```

```
        android:id="@+id/radio_yes"
```

```
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
```

```
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
        ..
```

```
        android:onClick="onRadioButtonClicked"
```

```
        android:text="@string/yes" />
```

```
    <RadioButton
```

```
        android:id="@+id/radio_no"
```

```
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
```

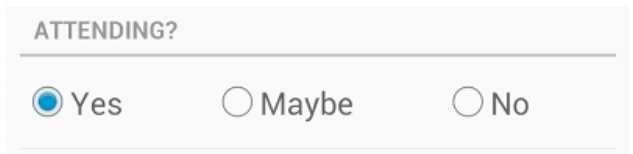
```
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
        ..
```

```
        android:onClick="onRadioButtonClicked"
```

```
        android:text="@string/no" />
```

```
</RadioGroup>
```



ATTENDING?

☒ Yes ☐ Maybe ☐ No

Radio Buttons

```
public void onRadioButtonClicked(View view) {  
    // Is the button now checked?  
    boolean checked = ((RadioButton) view).isChecked();  
  
    // Check which radio button was clicked  
    switch (view.getId()) {  
        case R.id.radio_yes:  
            if (checked)  
                // code for yes  
                break;  
        case R.id.radio_maybe:  
            if (checked)  
                // code for may be  
                break;  
        case R.id.radio_no:  
            if (checked)  
                // code for no  
                break;  
    }  
}
```

Checkboxes

<CheckBox

```
    android:id="@+id/checkbox_morning"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:onClick="onCheckboxClicked"  
    android:text="@string/morning" />
```

<CheckBox

```
    android:id="@+id/checkbox_afternoon"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:onClick="onCheckboxClicked"  
    android:text="@string/afternoon" />
```

Session

☐ Morning

☐ Afternoon

Checkboxes

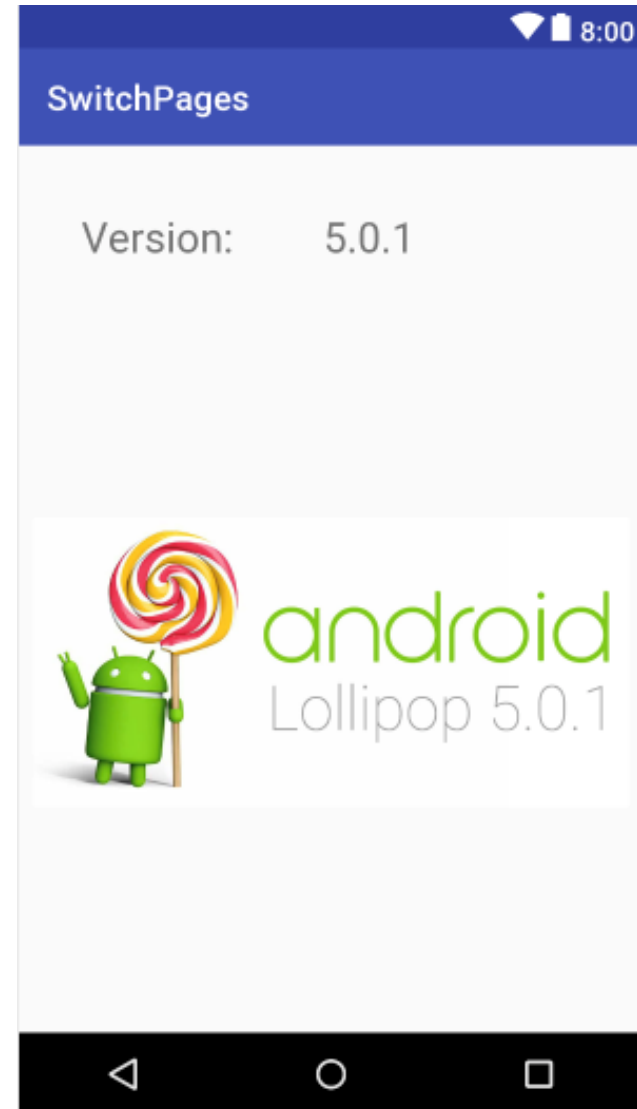
```
public void onCheckboxClicked(View view) {  
    // Is the view now checked?  
    boolean checked = ((CheckBox) view).isChecked();  
  
    // Check which checkbox was clicked  
    switch (view.getId()) {  
        case R.id.checkbox_morning:  
            if (checked)  
                // Add morning session  
            else  
                // Remove morning session  
            break;  
        case R.id.checkbox_afternoon:  
            if (checked)  
                // Add afternoon session  
            else  
                // Remove afternoon session  
            break;  
    }  
}
```

<https://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/controls/checkbox.html>

ImageView

- Save image resources to drawable folder
 - app/src/main/res/drawable/

```
<ImageView  
    android:id="@+id/imageView"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:src="@drawable/lollipop" />
```



Spinners

- Spinners provide a quick way to select one value from a set
- Touching the spinner displays a dropdown menu with all other available values

`<Spinner`

```
    android:id="@+id/planets_spinner"  
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
```

```
<resources>
```

```
    <string-array name="my_array">
```

```
        <item>Home</item>
```

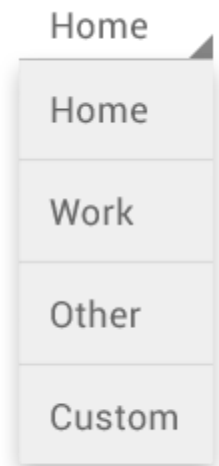
```
        <item>Work</item>
```

```
        <item>Other</item>
```

```
        <item>Custom</item>
```

```
    </string-array>
```

```
</resources>
```



Spinners

```
Spinner spinner = (Spinner) findViewById(R.id.spinner);

// Create an ArrayAdapter using the string array and a default
// spinner layout
ArrayAdapter<CharSequence> adapter =
    ArrayAdapter.createFromResource(this,
        R.array.my_array, android.R.layout.simple_spinner_item);

// Specify the layout to use when the list of choices appears
adapter.setDropDownViewResource(android.R.layout.simple_spinner_
    dropdown_item);

// Apply the adapter to the spinner
spinner.setAdapter(adapter);
```

Linear Layout

- **LinearLayout** is a view group that aligns all children in a single direction, vertically or horizontally.
- You can specify the layout direction with the `android:orientation` attribute.
- All children of a `LinearLayout` are stacked one after the other
 - a vertical list will only have one child per row, no matter how wide they are
 - a horizontal list will only be one row high

<https://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/layout/linear.html>

Key Attributes

- **Orientation**

Should the layout be a column or a row? Use "horizontal" for a row, "vertical" for a column.

- **Fill model**

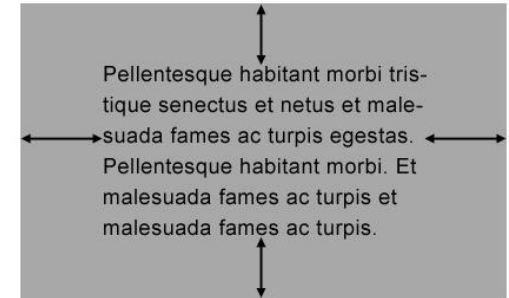
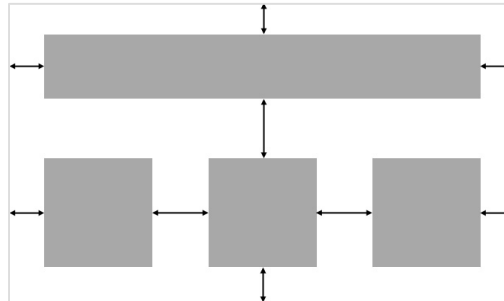
MATCH_PARENT: the view wants to be as big as its parent

WRAP_CONTENT: the view wants to be just large enough to fit its own internal content

Key Attributes

- **Padding/margin**

Setting padding/margin

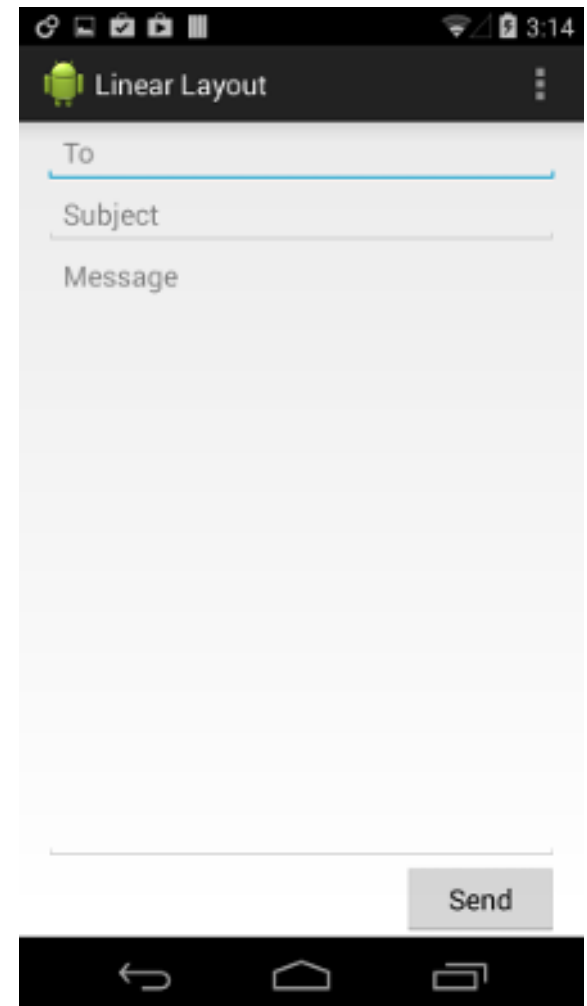


- **Weight**

`android:layout_weight` attribute assigns an "importance" value to a view in terms of how much space it should occupy on the screen.

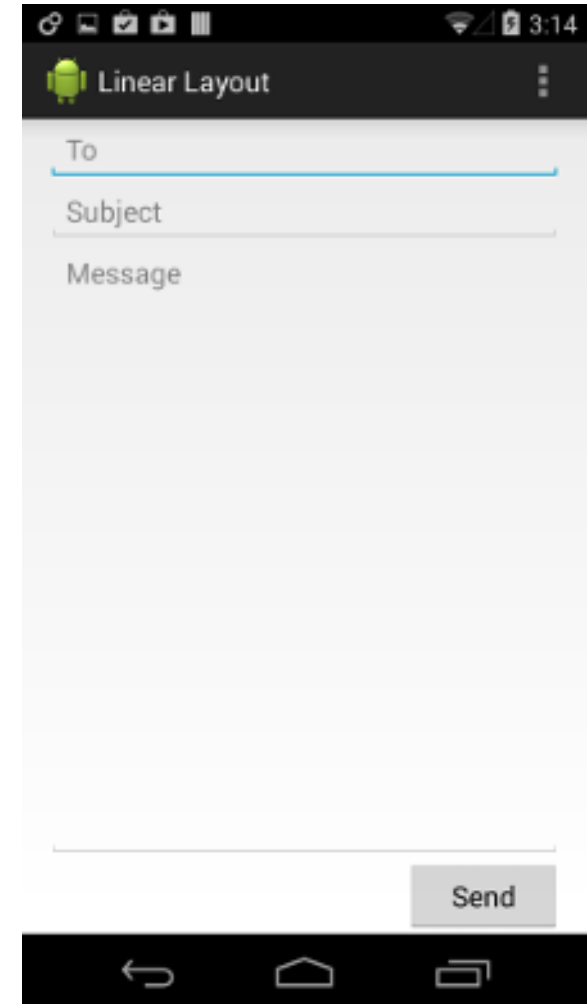
LinearLayout

```
<LinearLayout
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingLeft="16dp"
    android:paddingRight="16dp"
    android:orientation="vertical" >
    <EditText
        ...
    />
    <EditText
        ...
    />
    <Button
        ...
    />
</LinearLayout>
```



LinearLayout

```
<LinearLayout ...>
  <EditText
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:hint="@string/to" />
  <EditText
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:hint="@string/subject" />
  <EditText
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="0dp"
    android:layout_weight="1"
    android:gravity="top"
    android:hint="@string/message" />
  <Button
    android:layout_width="100dp"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:layout_gravity="right"
    android:text="@string/send" />
</LinearLayout>
```



Relative Layout

- RelativeLayout is a view group that displays child views in relative positions.
- The position of each view can be specified as
 - relative to sibling elements (such as to the left-of or below another view)
 - in positions relative to the parent RelativeLayout area (such as aligned to the bottom, left or center).

<https://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/layout/linear.html>

View Positioning

- RelativeLayout lets child views specify their position relative to the parent view or to each other (specified by ID).
- By default, all child views are drawn at the top-left of the layout
- Example of some layout properties :
 - android:layout_alignParentTop
 - android:layout_centerVertical
 - android:layout_below
 - android:layout_toRightOf
 - More: [RelativeLayout.LayoutParams](#)

View Positioning in Relative Layout

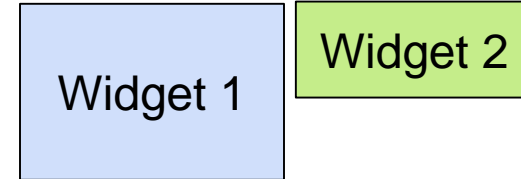
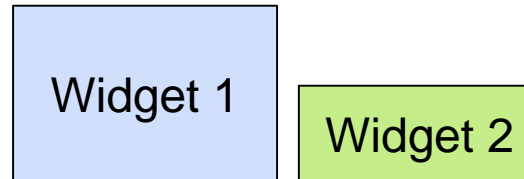
`android:layout_above`
`android:layout_below`



`android:layout_toLeftOf`
`android:layout_toRightOf`



`android:layout_alignBottom`
`android:layout_alignTop`



`android:layout_alignLeft`
`android:layout_alignRight`



Relative layout alignment parameters

`android:layout_alignParentTop`

`android:layout_alignParentBottom`

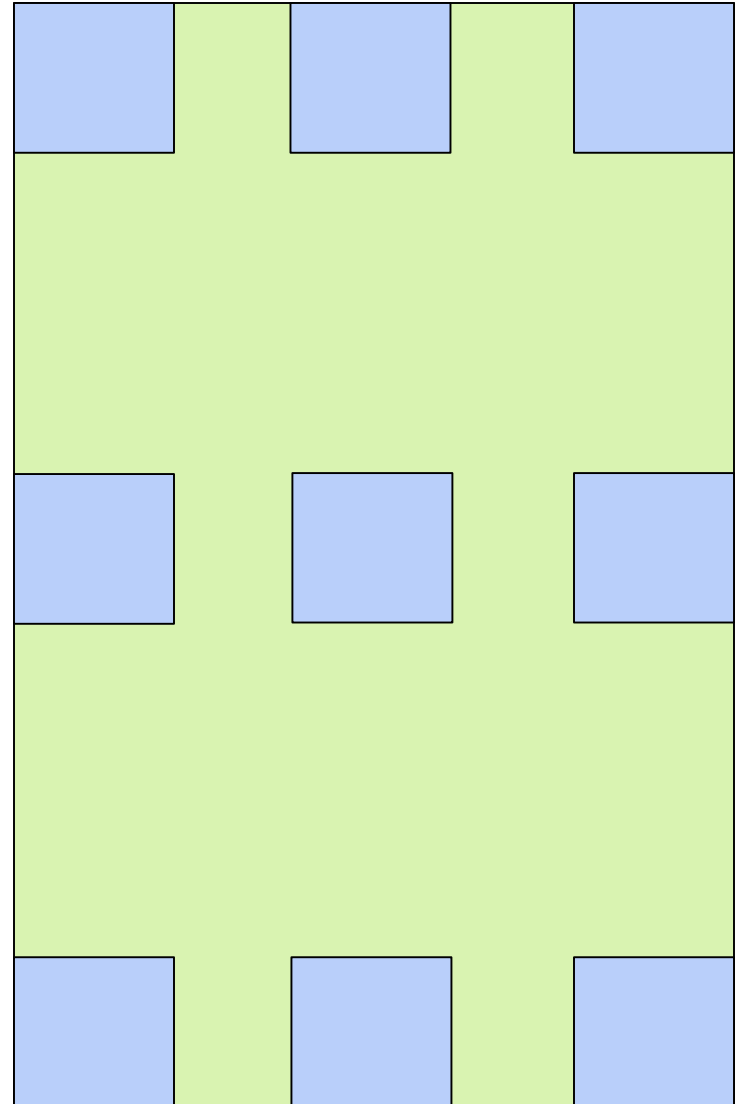
`android:layout_alignParentLeft`

`android:layout_alignParentRight`

`android:layout_centerInParent`

`android:layout_centerVertical`

`android:layout_centerHorizontal`



Relative Layout

<RelativeLayout

```
xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"  
android:layout_width="match_parent"  
android:layout_height="match_parent"  
android:paddingLeft="16dp"  
android:paddingRight="16dp" >
```

```
<EditText
```

```
...
```

```
/>
```

```
<Spinner
```

```
...
```

```
/>
```

```
<Spinner
```

```
...
```

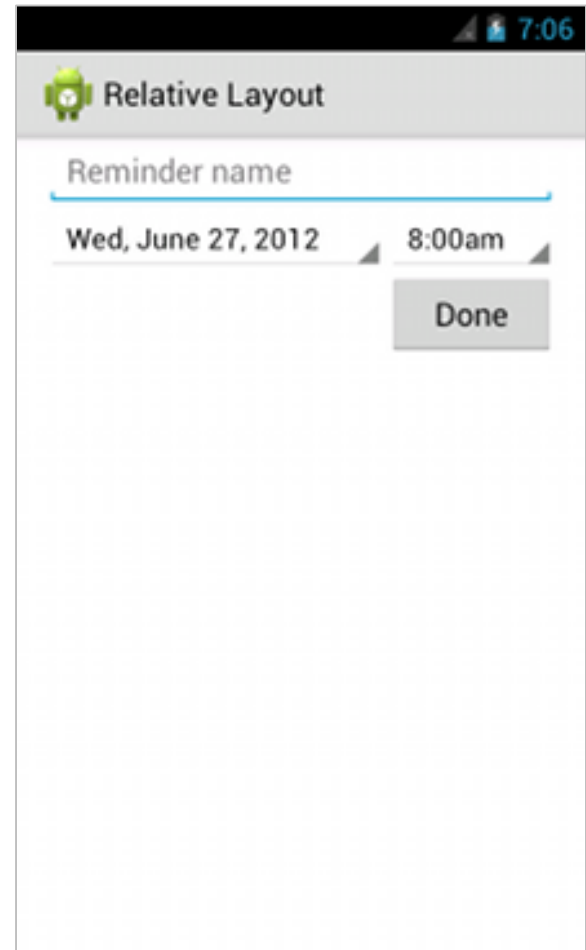
```
/>
```

```
<Button
```

```
...
```

```
/>
```

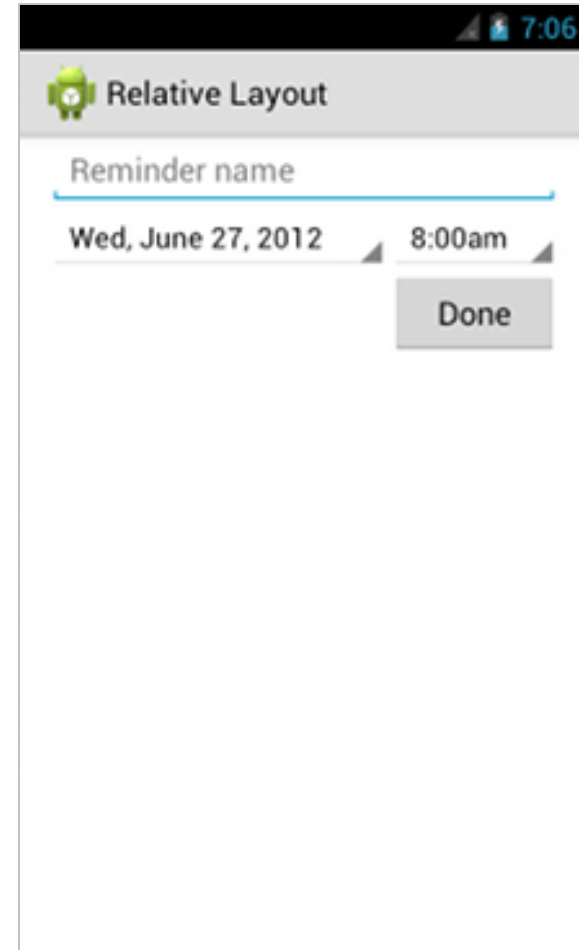
```
</RelativeLayout>
```



```

<RelativeLayout ...
    <EditText
        android:id="@+id/name"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
    <Spinner
        android:id="@id/times"
        android:layout_width="96dp"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_below="@id/name"
        android:layout_alignParentRight="true" />
    <Spinner
        android:layout_width="0dp"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_below="@id/name"
        android:layout_toLeftOf="@+id/times"
        android:layout_alignParentLeft="true" />
    <Button
        android:layout_width="96dp"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_below="@id/times"
        android:layout_alignParentRight="true"
        android:text="@string/done" />
</RelativeLayout>

```



Nested Layout

```
<RelativeLayout
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent">
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/name_title"
        android:text="@string/name">
        .....
    </EditText>
    .....
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_below="@+id/session">
        .....
        <CheckBox
            android:id="@+id/checkbox_morning"
            android:text="@string/morining"
            ..... />
        <CheckBox
            ..... />
    </LinearLayout>
</RelativeLayout>
```

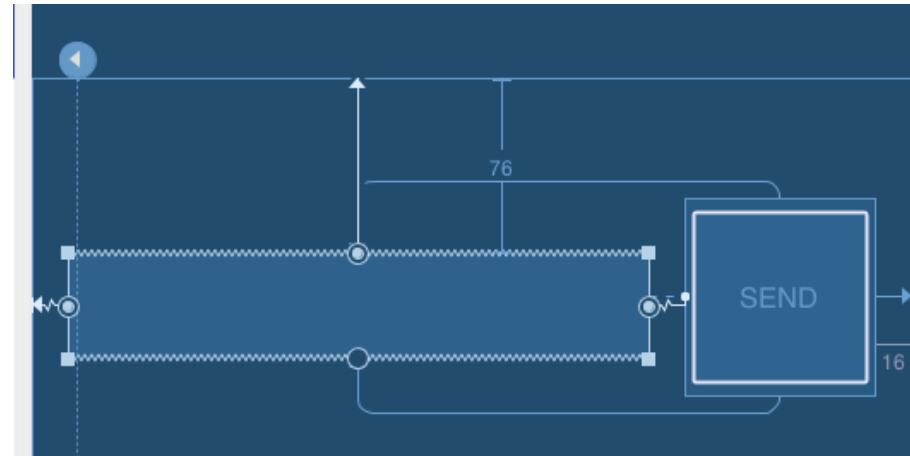
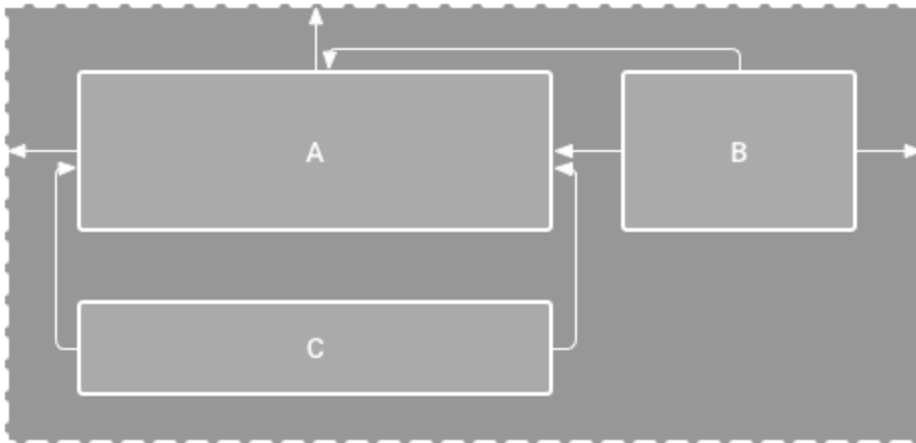


Views

Views

Constraint Layout

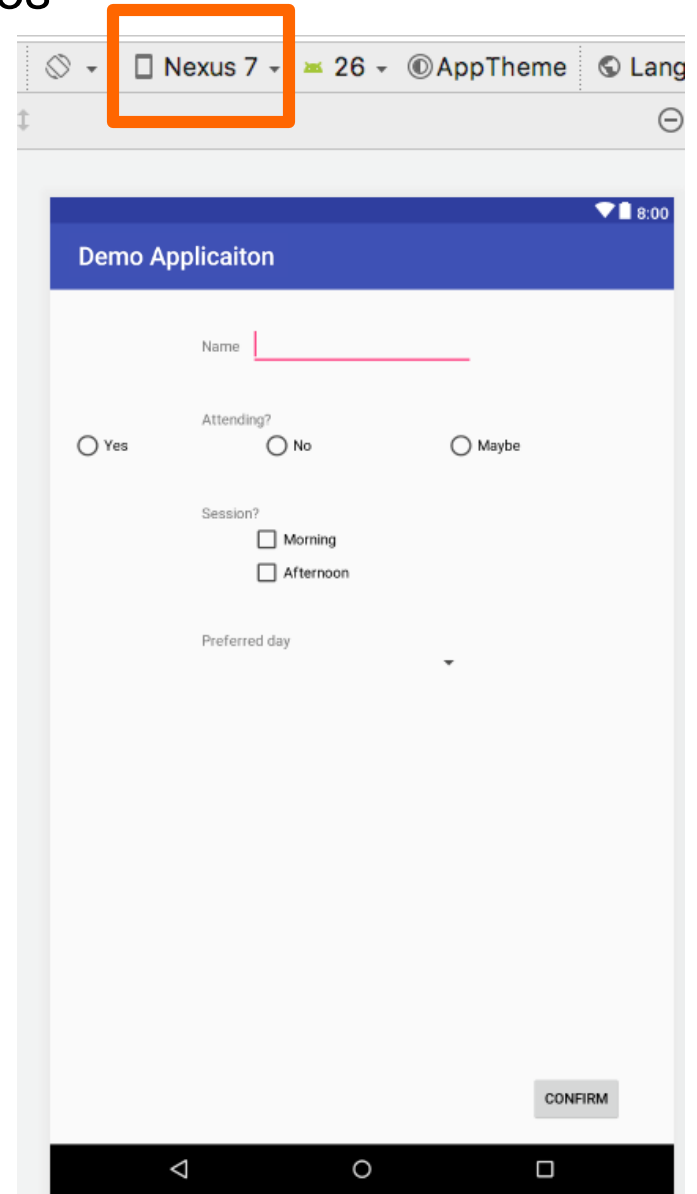
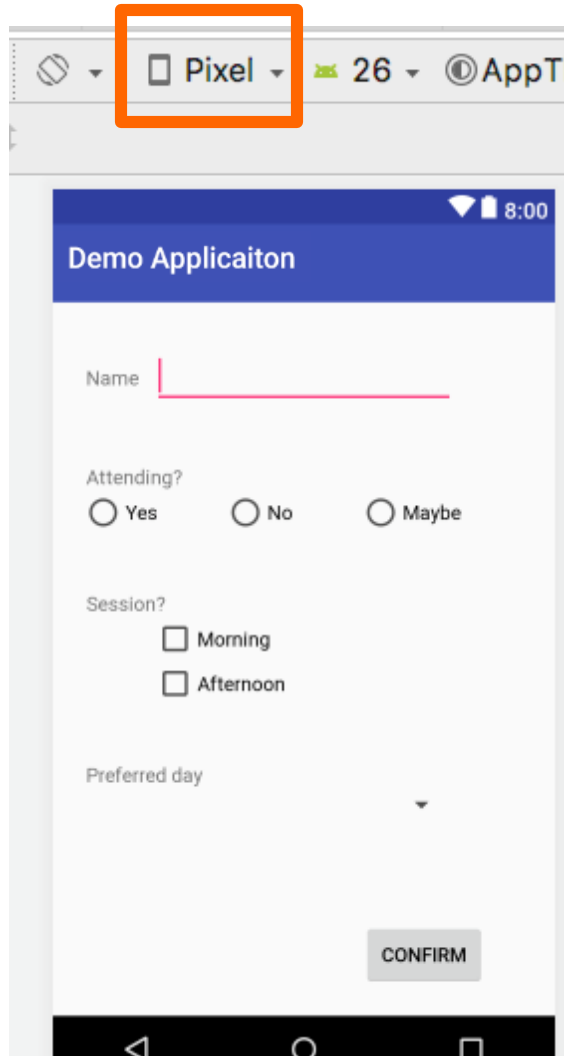
- Similar to RelativeLayout
 - All views are laid out according to relationships with others
- Easier to use with Android Studio's Layout Editor
 - Default layout for a new layout



<https://developer.android.com/training/constraint-layout/index.html>

Layout test

- Check the layout with multiple screen sizes



Demo Application

- Notes
 - TextView
 - EditText
 - RadioButton
 - CheckBox
 - Spinners

Demo Applicaiton

Name _____

Attending?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

Session?

☐ Morning
☐ Afternoon

Preferred day
Monday ▼

CONFIRM

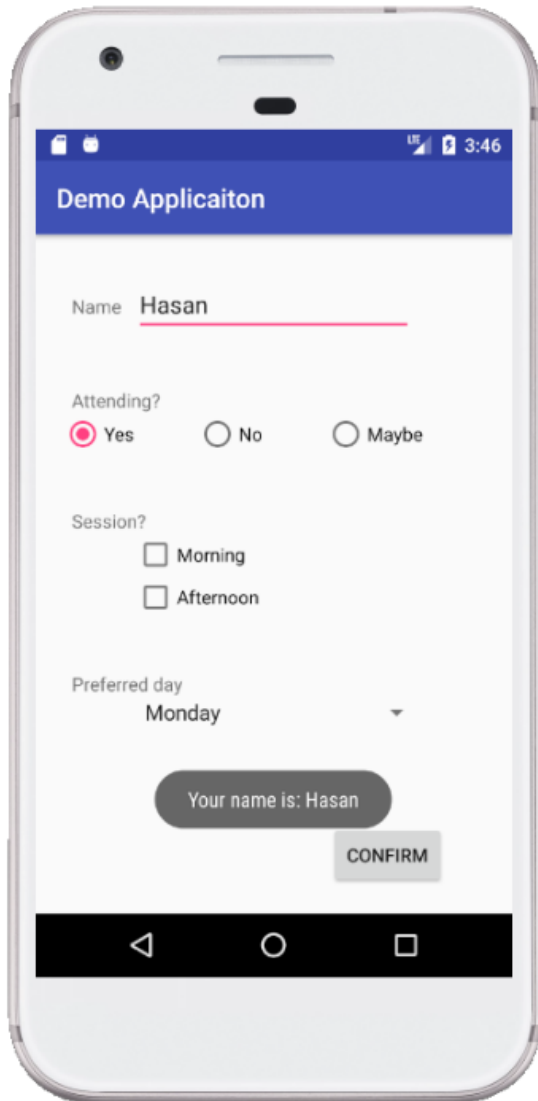
Events

- Android uses the Java event model with additional mobile events
 - Event listener: interface for specific type of event
 - Event handler: registered callback method to handle the event

Event Listener	Event Handler	Type of event
<code>OnClickListener()</code>	<code>onClick()</code>	Touch, click
<code>OnLongClickListener()</code>	<code>onLongClick()</code>	Press and hold
<code>onTouchListener()</code>	<code>onTouch()</code>	Generic touch events can be used for touch_up second_touch

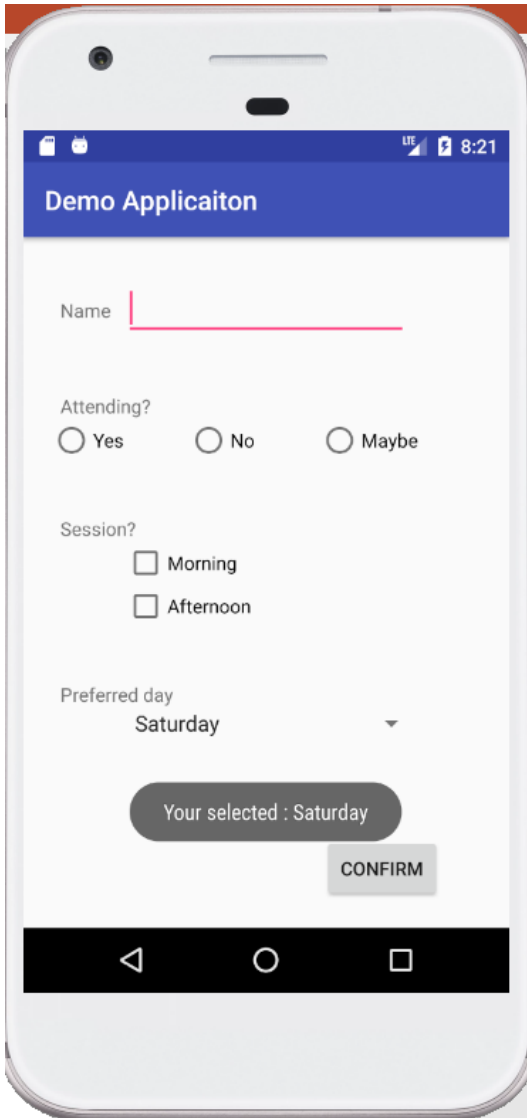
Try-It Activity

- Download the code and run on your machine



```
Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(),  
"Your text: " + variable,  
Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
```

Try-It Activity



```
spinner.setOnItemSelectedListener(new  
    AdapterView.OnItemSelectedListener() {  
        @Override  
        public void  
onItemSelected(AdapterView<?> parentView, View  
selectedItemView, int position, long id) {  
            // your code here  
        }  
    })
```

```
        @Override  
        public void  
onNothingSelected(AdapterView<?> parentView) {  
            // your code here  
        }  
    });
```

```
parentView.getItemAtPosition(position)
```

Questions?