openSAP Evolved Web Apps with SAPUI5 Week 2 Unit 4: Adding Views and Configuring Navigation

Exercises

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ADDING VIEWS AND CONFIGURING NAVIGATION

Summary

In this unit you will explore routing and navigation. When you have an application with more than one view, you need to define how and when to navigate to the other view(s) and how to handle the state of the application in the URL.

You'll start by adding another view to your app offering more details about the showtimes. A click on any showtime appointment should display the respective detail information:

- An icon to convey the cinema's corporate identity
- The cinema's address
- The number of seats
- Special information
- Technical information about the equipment
- A picture of the movie theater

Preview

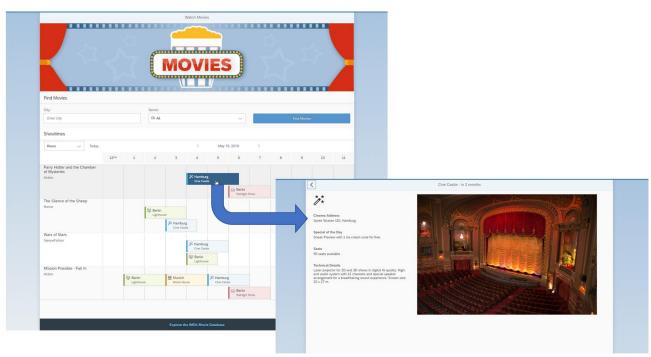
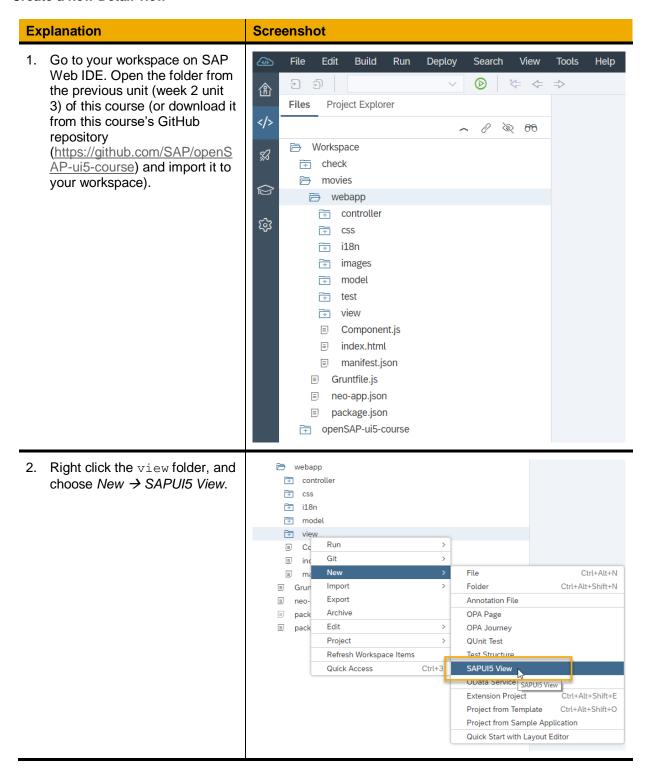
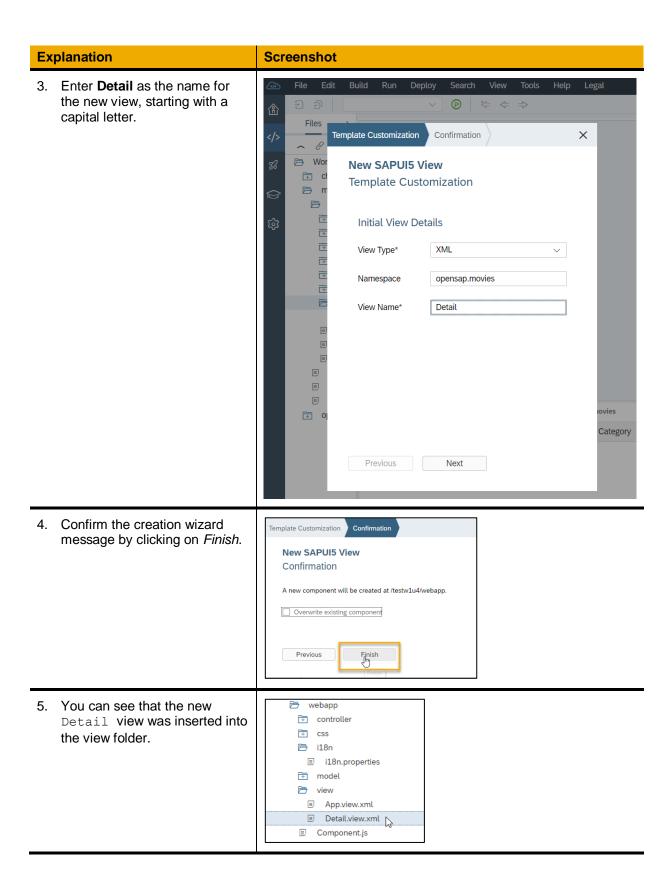


Figure 1 – Movies app with detail view and navigation

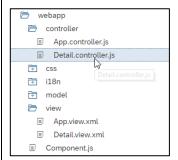
Create a new Detail view





Explanation Screenshot

In addition, a Detail controller was created in the controller folder.



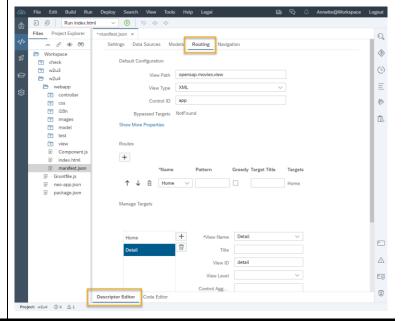
7. Now open the app descriptor manifest.json. It opens by default in the Descriptor Editor mode, so click on Code Editor at the bottom center. You will notice that even more coding was added. Your new Detail view was automatically added as a target for routing.

Note: What Are Targets?

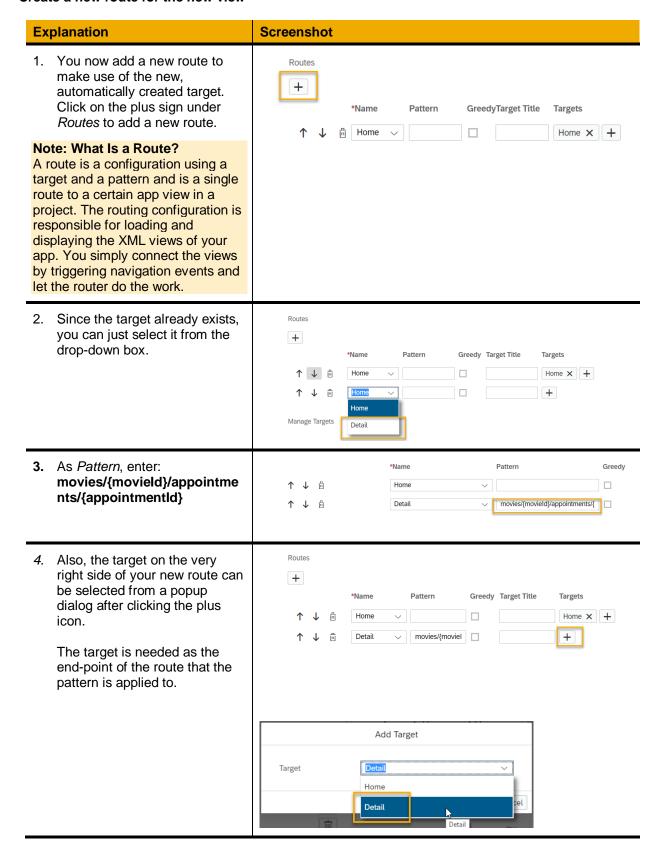
Targets are typically referenced in a route and define which view should be displayed when a route was hit. In the routing configuration, you can even add multiple targets for the same route. All the views configured in the respective targets will be instantiated automatically.

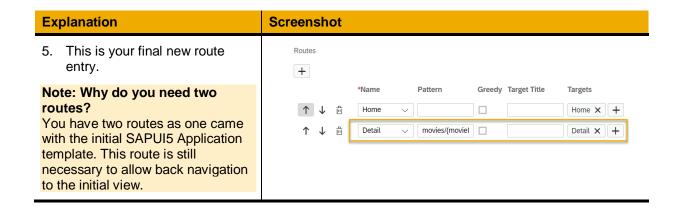
Explanation Screenshot 8. To make your code more "routes": [readable and understandable, change the following in the "name": "Home", manifest.json: "pattern": "", a) *name* → **Home** "target": [b) pattern → "" "Home" c) target → Home d) $TargetApp \rightarrow Home$ e) viewld → Home], "targets": "Home": "viewType": "XML", "transition": "slide", "clearControlAggregation": false, "viewId": "Home", "viewName": "App" }, "Detail": { "viewType": "XML", "viewName": "Detail"

- SAP Web IDE offers you an UI tool to add or change your routing configurations. Open your manifest.json file, click on
 - a) Descriptor Editor at the bottom left corner and
 - b) Routing at the top.



Create a new route for the new view





Add code to trigger navigation

The last step to make your navigation work is the coding of the event handler. But let's take a step back for a moment and learn about a piece of configuration that came with the SAPUI5 Application template: the router initialization in the Component.js file. The Component.js is loaded first, and in it the manifest.json is called. At this point, your routing settings are loaded and are ready to be used.

Explanation Screenshot All UI assets are encapsulated in a component that is instantiated Component.is × 1 - sap.ui.define([from your index.html page. "sap/ui/core/UIComponent", "sap/ui/Device", "my/teched/app00/MyTechEdApp/model/models' 5 -], function (UIComponent, Device, models) { 6 "use strict"; Components are independent and reusable parts used in SAPUI5 return UIComponent.extend("my.teched.app00.MyTechEdApp.Component", { applications. manifest: "json" 1. Open your Component.js file and look at the * The component is initialized by UIS automatically during the startup of the app and calls the init method once implementation of the component. Note that the metadata is loaded from the UIComponent.prototype.init.apply(this, arguments); manifest. this.getRouter().initialize(); 2. The init function configures // set the device model this.setModel(models.createDeviceModel(), "device"); additional models that are not defined in the manifest (e.g. the device model) so that it is created at runtime. The init function also initializes the router.

webapp/view/App.view.xml

```
...
</f:SimpleForm>
</f:SimpleForm>
</planningCalendar
id="calendar"
startDate="{path: 'movies>/initDate', formatter: '.formatter.formatDate'}"
rows="{movies>/movies}"
appointmentsVisualization="Filled"
appointmentSelect=".onAppointmentSelect(${$parameters>/appointment})">
<toolbarContent>
...
```

Add the planningCalendar event appointmentSelect and the name of the function it triggers to your XML code.

webapp/controller/App.controller.js

```
sap.ui.define([
   "sap/ui/model/FilterOperator"<mark>,</mark>
   "sap/ui/core/UIComponent"
], function (Controller, Log, JSONModel, formatter, Filter, FilterOperator, UIComponent) {
   "use strict";
            oAppointmentsBinding.filter(oFilterCity);
         });
      } ,
      onAppointmentSelect: function (oAppointment) {
         var oContext = oAppointment.getBindingContext("movies"),
           sPath = oContext.getPath();
         var aParameters = sPath.split("/");
         UIComponent.getRouterFor(this).navTo("Detail", {
            movieId: aParameters[2],
            appointmentId: aParameters[4]
         });
   });
});
```

Add the sap/ui/core/UIComponent dependency to the define statement of your App controller to be able to use it for your router.

Add the function <code>onAppointmentSelect</code> and pass <code>oAppointment</code> as a parameter into it. Then you define two variables, <code>oContext</code> for capturing the binding context, and <code>sPath</code> to capture the data binding information.

Now you need to extract the position of the selected movie and appointment from <code>sPath-so</code> you split it at each slash and save the result in an array. Then you call the route you defined previously in the app descriptor using <code>UIComponent</code> and provide the two mandatory parameters giving their respective position in the <code>aParameters</code> array.

In the Detail controller, you now have to receive those two parameters to display the correct information.

Enhance the Detail controller

webapp/controller/Detail.controller.js

```
sap.ui.define([
   "sap/ui/core/mvc/Controller",
   "sap/ui/core/UIComponent"
], function (Controller, UIComponent) {
   "use strict":
   return Controller.extend("opensap.movies.controller.Detail", {
      * Called when a controller is instantiated and its View controls (if available) are
already created.
       t Can be used to modify the View before it is displayed, to bind event handlers and do
other one-time initialization.
       * @memberOf opensap.movies.view.Detail
      onInit: function() {
  UIComponent.getRouterFor(this).getRoute("Detail").attachPatternMatched(this. onDetailMatched,
this);
      onDetailMatched : function (oEvent) {
         var oView = this.getView(),
            sMovieIndex = oEvent.getParameter("arguments")["movieId"],
            sAppointmentIndex = oEvent.getParameter("arguments")["appointmentId"];
         oView.bindElement({
   path: "/movies/" + sMovieIndex + "/appointments/" + sAppointmentIndex,
   model: "movies",
            change : this._onBindingChange.bind(this)
}
         });
      onBindingChange : function () {
         var oView = this.getView(),
            oElementBinding = oView.getElementBinding("movies"),
            sPath = oElementBinding.getPath();
         // if the path to the data does not exist we navigate to the not found page
         if (!oView.getModel("movies").getObject(sPath)) {
            //See Challenge at the end:
   UIComponent.getRouterFor(this).getTargets().display("NotFound");
   });
});
```

In the <code>Detail</code> controller, you register to the pattern matched event of the <code>Detail</code> route attach the <code>_onDetailMatched</code> call back function. Here, you fetch the route parameters from the arguments in the <code>oEvent</code> parameters by referring to the parameter names: <code>movield</code> and <code>appointmentId</code>. Then, you bind the view to the model using the path to the exact appointment that the user clicked on. This will automatically display the chosen appointment details on the <code>Detail</code> view. The <code>_onBindingChange</code> function transfers the binding context to the <code>Detail</code> view.

Note: Download Cinema Images

Before you enhance the code of your Detail view, download the three cinema pictures we prepared for you from the course's GitHub repository. Import all three files CinemaBerlin.png, CinemaHamburg.png, CinemaMunich.png into the images folder of your app:

https://github.com/SAP/openSAP-ui5-course/tree/master/import

webapp/view/Detail.view.xml

```
<mvc:View
  controllerName="opensap.movies.controller.Detail"
  xmlns="sap.m"
  xmlns:mvc="sap.ui.core.mvc"
  xmlns:l="sap.ui.layout"
  xmlns:core="sap.ui.core">
  <App>
     <pages>
        <Page
          title="{movies>cinemaName} - {
             path: 'movies>startDate',
             type: 'sap.ui.model.type.Date',
             formatOptions: {
                source: {
                  pattern: 'MM/dd/yyyy/hh:mm:ss'
                relative: true,
                relativeScale: 'auto'
          showNavButton="true"
          class="sapUiResponsiveContentPadding"
          navButtonPress=".onNavBack">
          <content>
             <FlexBox wrap="Wrap">
                <l:VerticalLayout
                  id="generalDetails"
                  class="sapUiMediumMarginEnd sapUiSmallMarginBottom">
                   <core:Icon
                     src="{movies>icon}"
                     size="3rem"
                     class="sapUiMediumMarginBottom"/>
                   <Label text="{i18n>cinemaAddress}" design="Bold"/>
                  <Text text="{movies>cinemaAddress}'
class="sapUiMediumMarginBottom"/>
                   <Label text="{i18n>special}" design="Bold"/>
                   <Text text="{movies>special}" class="sapUiMediumMarginBottom"/>
                   <Label text="{i18n>seats}" design="Bold"/>
                                                                         Download pictures from
                   <Text text="{movies>seats}" class="sapUiMediumMar
                                                                          import folder in the
                                                                            course's GitHub
                   <Label text="{i18n>technicalDetails}" design="Bol
                   <Text text="{movies>technicalDetails}" width="400
                                                                         https://github.com/SAP/
                </l:VerticalLayout>
                                                                          openSAP-ui5-course
                <Image
                  width="100%"
                  src="{movies>pic}"/>
             </FlexBox>
          </content>
        </Page>
     </pages>
  </App>
</mvc:View>
```

First, you provide a page title. This contains the data binding syntax to display the cinema name that corresponds to the appointment the user clicked on.

In addition, the title displays a relative date as a literal to indicate the user when the event is coming up, like the word(s) "tomorrow", or "in two weeks". The conversion is done by giving the date the

sap.ui.model.type.Date, formatOptions type as the input format and the relative:true property
for the output.

Then, you add the <code>navButton</code> property and set it to <code>true</code>. Add the <code>navButtonPress</code> event that gets triggered when the button is hit, and the <code>onNavBack</code> function that is then called. You create this function in the <code>Detail</code> controller.

You apply the sapUiResponsiveContentPadding class to the page as it is the container for all your detail controls. This is an example for the predefined CSS classes UI5 offers. There are classes for paddings and margins and they allow programmers to position and layout controls on a page.

The FlexBox is a useful container. You can set the property wrap to Wrap, which allows the view to be fully responsive (=adjusts with the size of the page when it is re-sized).

webapp/view/Detail.controller.js

```
//See Challenge at the end:
UIComponent.getRouterFor(this).getTargets().display("NotFound");

onNavBack : function () {
    UIComponent.getRouterFor(this).navTo("Home");
}

});
```

Implement the <code>onNavBack</code> function that is called by the <code>navButtonPress</code> event by having the router call your <code>Home</code> target. Save your change.

Add localized texts to the resource bundle

webapp/i18n/i18n.properties

It's good practice to keep any texts in a central resource bundle for easy translation, so you add all the static texts of your new Detail view to the i18n properties.

Add a heading Detail View for your entries to indicate what view the texts belong to. This way your file will stay neat and readable, even if you add more views. Then you add the key-value pairs for your new entries.

Improve Performance

It is good practice to create an empty app view and let the routing load and place all views inside the app. This way, the views are only loaded when the corresponding route has been hit. We therefore move the initial page from the app view to a separate Home view.

webapp/view/Home.view.xml (New)

```
<mvc:View
  controllerName="opensap.movies.controller.App"
  xmlns="sap.m"
  xmlns:mvc="sap.ui.core.mvc"
  xmlns:core="sap.ui.core"
  xmlns:f="sap.ui.layout.form"
  xmlns:unified="sap.ui.unified">
  <Page title="{i18n>title}">
     <content>
        <Image
          visible="{= !${device>/system/phone} }"
          src="images/MoviesHeader.png"
          width="100%"
           tooltip="{i18n>imageTooltip}"
          press="sap.m.MessageToast.show(${i18n>messageToast})"/>
        <f:SimpleForm
          id="form"
          editable="true"
           layout="ColumnLayout"
          title="{i18n>titleForm}"
          columnsM="2"
          columnsL="3"
          columnsXL="3">
          <f:content>
             <Label
                text="{i18n>labelCity}"
                labelFor="city"/>
             <SearchField
                id="city"
                width="100%"
                showSearchButton="false"
                placeholder="{i18n>cityPlaceholder}"/>
                text="{i18n>labelGenre}"
                labelFor="genre"/>
             <Select
                id="genre"
                width="100%">
                <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://video" key=""</pre>
text="{i18n>genreAll}"/>
                <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://physical-activity" key="Action"</pre>
text="{i18n>genreAction}"/>
                <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://electrocardiogram" key="Horror"</pre>
text="{i18n>genreHorror}"/>
                <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://paper-plane" key="SienceFiction"</pre>
text="{i18n>genreScienceFiction}"/>
             </Select>
             <Label/>
             <Button
                type="Emphasized"
                text="{i18n>buttonMovieSearch}"
                class="sapUiSmallMarginTop"
                press=".onPress('for movies!')"/>
          </f:content>
        </f:SimpleForm>
```

```
<PlanningCalendar
           id="calendar"
           startDate="{path: 'movies>/initDate', formatter:
'.formatter.formatDate'}"
          rows="{movies>/movies}"
          appointmentsVisualization="Filled"
           appointmentSelect=".onAppointmentSelect(${$parameters>/appointment})">
           <toolbarContent>
             <Title text="{i18n>calendarTitle}" titleStyle="H4"/>
           </toolbarContent>
           <rows>
             <PlanningCalendarRow</pre>
                title="{movies>name}"
                text="{movies>genre}"
                appointments="{path : 'movies>appointments', templateShareable:
'true'}">
                <appointments>
                   <unified:CalendarAppointment</pre>
                     startDate="{path: 'movies>startDate', formatter:
'.formatter.formatDate'}"
                     endDate="{path: 'movies>endDate', formatter:
'.formatter.formatDate'}"
                     title="{movies>info}"
                     text="{movies>cinemaName}"
                     icon="{movies>icon}"
                     type="{movies>type}">
                  </unified:CalendarAppointment>
                </appointments>
             </PlanningCalendarRow>
          </rows>
       </PlanningCalendar>
     </content>
     <footer>
        <Toolbar>
          <ToolbarSpacer/>
          <Link emphasized="true" target=" blank" href="https://www.imdb.com/"</pre>
text="{i18n>footerLink}"/>
          <ToolbarSpacer/>
        </Toolbar>
     </footer>
  </Page>
</mvc:View>
```

Create a new file Home.view.xml and move the page from the App.view.xml to it.

webapp/view/App.view.xml

```
width="100%"
                   tooltip="{i18n>imageTooltip}"
                press="sap.m.Messa
<f:SimpleForm
                   id="form"
                   editable="true"
                   layout="ColumnLayout'
                   title="{i18n>tit
                   columnsM="2"
                   columnsL="3"
                   columnsXL="3":
                   <f:content>
                     <Label text="{i18n>label(
                        labelFor="city"/>
                     <SearchField
                        id="city"
                        width="100%"
                        showSearchButton="false'
                     placeholder="{i18n>cityPl
<Label
                        text="{i18n>labelGenre}
                        labelFor="genre"/>
                     <Select
                        id="genre"
                        width="100%">
text="{i18n>genreAll}"/>
                        <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://physical-activity</pre>
key="Action" text="{i18n>genreAction}"/>
                        <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://electrocardiogram"</pre>
key="Horror" text="{i18n>genreHorror}"/>
                        <core:ListItem icon="sap-icon://</pre>
key="SienceFiction" text="{i18n>genreScienceFiction}"/>
                     </Select>
                     <Label/>
                     <Button
                        type="Emphasized
                        text="{i18n>buttonMovieSearch
                        class="sapUiSmallMarginTop"
                        press=".onPress('for
                   </f:content>
                   id="calendar"
                   startDate="{path:
.formatter.formatDate'}"
   rows="{movies>/movies}
                   <toolbarContent>
    <Title text="{i18n>calendarTitle}" titleStyle="H4"/>
                  title="{movies>name}
                        text="{movies>genre}'
appointments="{path
cemplateShareable: 'true'}">
                        <appointments>
                           <unified:CalendarAppointment
                              startDate="{path:
  formatter.formatDate'}"
```

```
formatter.formatDate'}"
                              text="{movies>cinemaName
                              icon="{movies>icon}"
                             type="{movies>type}">
                        </appointments>
                  </rows>
                </PlanningC
             </content>
             <footer>
                <Toolbar>
                   <ToolbarSpacer/>
                  <Link emphasized="true" target="_blank</pre>
nref="https://www.imdb.com/" text="{i18n>footerLink
                  <ToolbarSpacer/>
                </Toolbar>
             </footer>
       </pages>
     </App>
  </Shell>
</mvc:View>
```

Delete the respective code from the App.view.xml so that only the Shell and the App control remain. As a result, the empty App view is initiated once initially (declared as the property rootView in the manifest) and the Home view is only loaded when the route "Home" (the default route of the app) is hit. When a deep link to the detail page is shared, only the detail page is loaded but not the home page.

webapp/manifest.json

```
...
"targets": {
    "Home": {
        "viewId": "home",
        "viewName": "Home"
},
...
```

Set the Home view as target in the app descriptor (manifest.js) so that it can be used for routing.

webapp/view/Detail.view.xml

The detail view is now placed into the app view by the router whenever the corresponding route is hit, so we can safely remove the App control from the detail view. This code came with the Web IDE SAPUI5-view-creation wizard which assumes that this view is used independently.

CHALLENGE YOURSELF: ADD A "NOT FOUND" PAGE

This task does not come with a predefined solution and can be solved creatively – dive a bit deeper into the topics and exchange with other learners to make the most out of your learning experience. Good luck!

Summary

The users of your app often share a link to a movie with their friends. As the showtimes for movies frequently change, such links get outdated fast. In such cases and when a completely wrong URL is entered, an error message should be shown in the form of a "not found" page. The user should also be able to navigate back to the home screen from there to select another movie.

View: NotFound.view.xml

Title: Bummer!

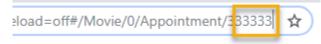
Icon: "sap-icon://video"

Description: This movie has not been made yet

Conditions: Shown for invalid URL patterns and outdated movie URLs

How to Test

Modify the data path in the URL to an invalid movie:



Preview

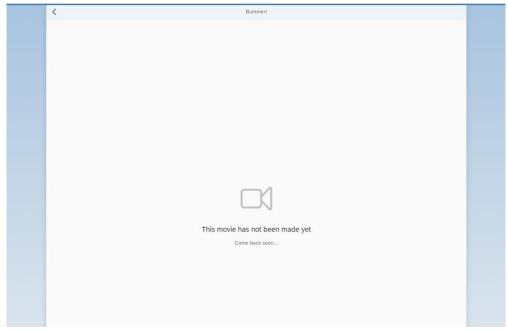


Figure 2 - The "not found" page is shown when a movie does not exist (yet (3))

Hints:

- There is a bypassed event in the routing configuration
- A comprehensive tutorial about routing and navigation comes in handy
- The sap.m.MessagePage is a simplified page to display messages

RELATED MATERIAL

- Demo Kit: Tutorial Routing and Navigation
 Demo Kit: Using Predefined CSS Margin Classes

Coding Samples

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