

PanResponder

`PanResponder` reconciles several touches into a single gesture. It makes single-touch gestures resilient to extra touches, and can be used to recognize basic multi-touch gestures.

By default, `PanResponder` holds an `InteractionManager` handle to block long-running JS events from interrupting active gestures.

It provides a predictable wrapper of the responder handlers provided by the gesture responder system. For each handler, it provides a new `gestureState` object alongside the native event object:

```
onPanResponderMove: (event, gestureState) => {}
```

A native event is a synthetic touch event with form of `PressEvent`.

A `gestureState` object has the following:

- `stateID` - ID of the `gestureState`- persisted as long as there's at least one touch on screen
- `moveX` - the latest screen coordinates of the recently-moved touch
- `moveY` - the latest screen coordinates of the recently-moved touch
- `x0` - the screen coordinates of the responder grant
- `y0` - the screen coordinates of the responder grant
- `dx` - accumulated distance of the gesture since the touch started
- `dy` - accumulated distance of the gesture since the touch started
- `vx` - current velocity of the gesture
- `vy` - current velocity of the gesture
- `numberActiveTouches` - Number of touches currently on screen

Usage Pattern

```
const ExampleComponent = () => {
  const panResponder = React.useRef(
    PanResponder.create({
      // Ask to be the responder:
      onStartShouldSetPanResponder: (evt, gestureState) => true,
      onStartShouldSetPanResponderCapture: (evt, gestureState) =>
        true,
      onMoveShouldSetPanResponder: (evt, gestureState) => true,
      onMoveShouldSetPanResponderCapture: (evt, gestureState) =>
        true,

      onPanResponderGrant: (evt, gestureState) => {
        // The gesture has started. Show visual feedback so the user knows
        // what is happening!
        // gestureState.d{x,y} will be set to zero now
      },
      onPanResponderMove: (evt, gestureState) => {
        // The most recent move distance is gestureState.move{X,Y}
        // The accumulated gesture distance since becoming responder is
        // gestureState.d{x,y}
      },
      onPanResponderTerminationRequest: (evt, gestureState) =>
        true,
      onPanResponderRelease: (evt, gestureState) => {
        // The user has released all touches while this view is the
        // responder. This typically means a gesture has succeeded
      },
      onPanResponderTerminate: (evt, gestureState) => {
        // Another component has become the responder, so this gesture
        // should be cancelled
      },
      onShouldBlockNativeResponder: (evt, gestureState) => {
        // Returns whether this component should block native components from becoming
        the JS
        // responder. Returns true by default. Is currently only supported on android.
        return true;
      },
    }),
  ).current;

  return <View {...panResponder.panHandlers} />;
};
```

Example

PanResponder works with Animated API to help build complex gestures in the UI. The following example contains an animated `view` component which can be dragged freely across the screen

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```
import React, {useRef} from 'react';
import {Animated, View, StyleSheet, PanResponder, Text}
from 'react-native';

const App = () => {
  const pan = useRef(new Animated.ValueXY()).current;

  const panResponder = useRef(
    PanResponder.create({
      onMoveShouldSetPanResponder: () => true,
      onPanResponderMove: Animated.event([null, {dx: pan.x,
dy: pan.y}]),
      onPanResponderRelease: () => {
        pan.extractOffset();
      },
    }),
  ).current;

  return (
    <View style={styles.container}>
      <Text style={styles.titleText}>Drag this box!</Text>
      <Animated.View
        style={{
          transform: [{translateX: pan.x}, {translateY:
pan.y}],
        }}
      />
    </View>
  );
}
```

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Try the [PanResponder example in RNTester](#).

Reference

Methods

create()

```
static create(config: PanResponderCallbacks): PanResponderInstance;
```

Parameters:

NAME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
config Required	object	Refer below

The `config` object provides enhanced versions of all of the responder callbacks that provide not only the `PressEvent`, but also the `PanResponder` gesture state, by replacing the word `Responder` with `PanResponder` in each of the typical `onResponder*` callbacks. For example, the `config` object would look like:


- `onMoveShouldSetPanResponder: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onMoveShouldSetPanResponderCapture: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onStartShouldSetPanResponder: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onStartShouldSetPanResponderCapture: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderReject: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderGrant: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderStart: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderEnd: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderRelease: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderMove: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderTerminate: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onPanResponderTerminationRequest: (e, gestureState) => {...}`
- `onShouldBlockNativeResponder: (e, gestureState) => {...}`

In general, for events that have capture equivalents, we update the `gestureState` once in the capture phase and can use it in the bubble phase as well.

Be careful with `onStartShould*` callbacks. They only reflect updated `gestureState` for start/end events that bubble/capture to the Node. Once the node is the responder, you

can rely on every start/end event being processed by the `gesture` and `gestureState` being updated accordingly. (`numberActiveTouches`) may not be totally accurate unless you are the responder.

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