



UI Element Sizing

Background

This module demonstrates the importance of sizing of UI elements..

A working version of this app is available at: <https://github.com/milk-modules/Apps/tree/master/accessible/DemoApp03>

Further reading: <https://material.io/guidelines/layout/metrics-keylines.html#metrics-keylines-touch-target-size>

Prerequisite

1. Android studio is installed on the development workstation
2. A working Android emulator is available for testing

Activity Instructions

There two approaches that you can take to perform this activity:

- i. End-to-End development of the app by following all the below steps
- ii. Using a pre-created version of this project and only resizing of the UI elements:
 - a. Download the code for DemoApp03 from: <https://github.com/milk-modules/Apps/tree/master/non-accessible>
 - b. Perform ONLY step #3

1. Project Creation

- a. Follow the screens below to create a new project:



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Create New Project

New Project
Android Studio

Configure your new project

Application name: DemoApp01

Company Domain: milk.se.rit.edu

Package name: edu.rit.se.milk.demoapp01 [Edit](#)

☐ Include C++ Support

Project location: C:\Projects\milk\apps\accessible\DemoApp01

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Create New Project

Target Android Devices

Select the form factors your app will run on

Different platforms may require separate SDKs

☒ Phone and Tablet

Minimum SDK: API 16: Android 4.1 (Jelly Bean)

Lower API levels target more devices, but have fewer features available.
By targeting API 16 and later, your app will run on approximately 96.7% of the devices that are active on the Google Play Store.
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☐ Wear

Minimum SDK: API 21: Android 5.0 (Lollipop)

☐ TV

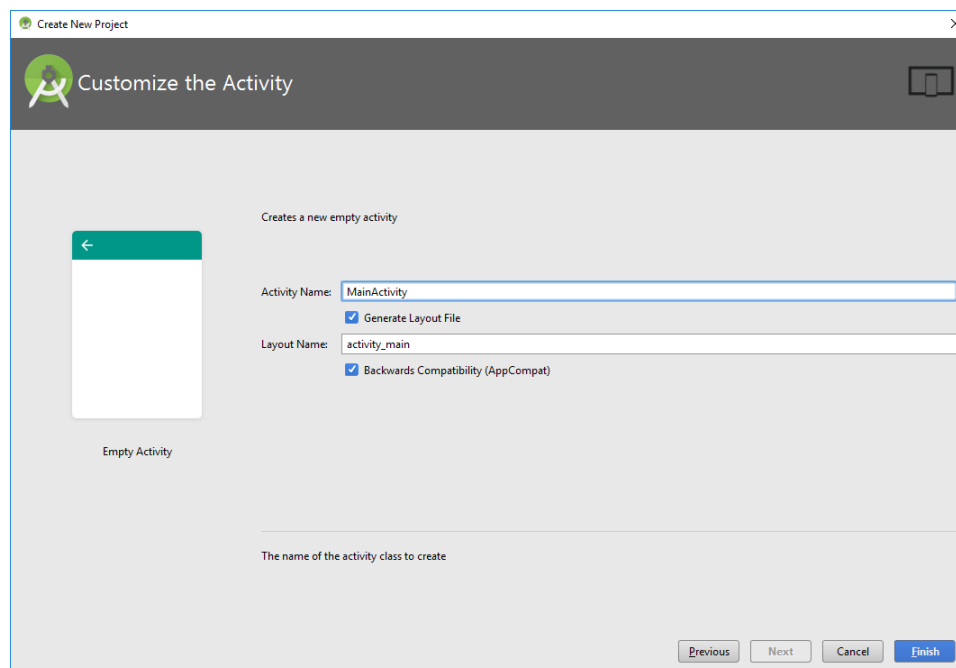
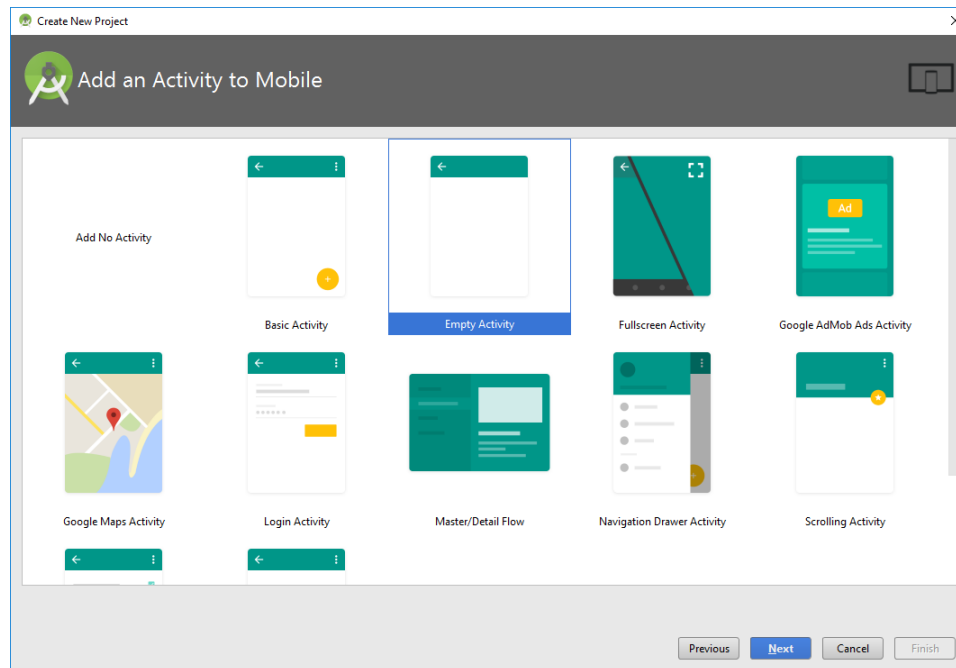
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☐ Android Auto

☐ Glass (Not Available)

Minimum SDK:

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2. Construct User Interface

- a. From the Palette tool window, add the following UI controls into the screen layout.
 - i. Update the following properties of the existing Relative Layout:
 - `layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `layout_height="match_parent"`
 - ii. Within the existing Relative Layout add:



1. Switch

- Update the following properties:
 - `text="Alternate Rendering"`
 - `layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `layout_height="wrap_content"`
 - `id="@+id/switchAccessibility"`
 - `focusable="false"`

2. Relative Layout:

- Update the following properties:
 - `layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `layout_height="wrap_content"`
 - `id="@+id/layoutContents"`
 - `layout_weight="100"`
- Add the following UI controls:
 - Button:**
 - Update the following properties:
 - `android:text="Yes"`
 - `android:layout_width="50dp"`
 - `android:layout_height="35dp"`
 - `android:layout_alignParentTop="true"`
 - `android:layout_alignParentLeft="true"`
 - `android:layout_alignParentStart="true"`
 - `android:layout_marginTop="146dp"`
 - `android:id="@+id/buttonLeft"`
 - `android:background="@android:drawable/btn_default"`
 - `android:gravity="center"`
 - `android:layout_gravity="left|center"`
 - `android:layout_marginLeft="130dp"`

ii. TextView:

- Update the following properties:
 - `android:text="Is this the greatest app of all time?"`
 - `android:layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `android:layout_height="wrap_content"`
 - `android:id="@+id/textView"`
 - `android:textAppearance="@android:style/TextAppearance.DeviceDefault.Medium"`
 - `android:layout_above="@+id/buttonRight"`
 - `android:layout_marginBottom="36dp"`



- `android:textStyle="normal|bold"`
- `android:textAlignment="center"`
- `android:layout_alignParentLeft="false"`
- `android:layout_alignParentStart="false"`
- `android:layout_alignParentRight="false"`
- `android:layout_alignParentEnd="false"`
- `android:gravity="center_horizontal"`

iii. Button:

- Update the following properties:
 - `android:text="No"`
 - `android:layout_width="45dp"`
 - `android:layout_height="35dp"`
 - `android:id="@+id/buttonRight"`
 - `android:layout_gravity="right"`
 - `android:background="@android:drawable/btn_default"`
 - `android:gravity="center"`
 - `android:layout_alignTop="@+id/buttonLeft"`
 - `android:layout_alignParentRight="true"`
 - `android:layout_alignParentEnd="true"`
 - `android:layout_marginRight="130dp"`

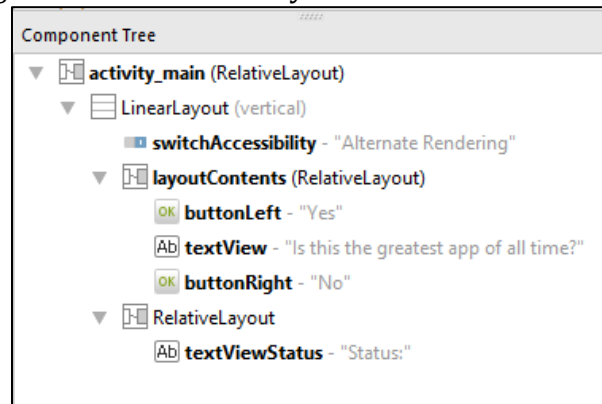
3. Relative Layout

- Update the following properties:
 - `layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `layout_height="wrap_content"`
 - `layout_weight="1"`
- Add the following UI controls:
 - i. **TextView:**
 - Update the following properties:
 - `layout_width="match_parent"`
 - `layout_height="wrap_content"`
 - `id="@+id/textViewStatus"`
 - `layout_alignParentTop="true"`
 - `layout_alignParentLeft="true"`
 - `layout_alignParentStart="true"`
 - `textAlignment="center"`
 - `textStyle="normal|bold"`
 - `layout_alignParentRight="true"`
 - `layout_alignParentEnd="true"`

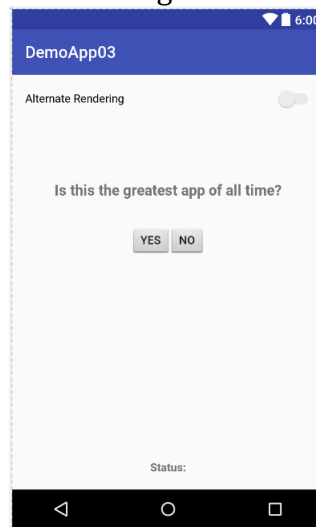


- text="Status:"
- gravity="bottom"

Following is the hierarchical layout of the controls on the screen:



Following is the rendering of controls on the screen:



3. Resize & Respace Buttons

The recommend size for touch targets should be at least 48 x 48 dp. There should also be a spacing of 8dp or more between the targets.

Select the Button with id "buttonLeft". Update the following properties:

- layout_width = 60dp
- layout_height = 55dp
- layout_marginLeft = 100dp
- textSize = 18sp
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Select the Button with id "buttonRight". Update the following properties:

- layout_width = 60dp



- layout_height = 55dp
- layout_marginRight = 100dp
- textSize = 18sp

Properties	
id	buttonLeft
layout_width	60dp
layout_height	55dp
Layout_Margin	[?, 100dp, 146dp, ?, ?]
layout_margin	
layout_marginLeft	100dp
layout_marginTop	146dp
layout_marginBottom	
layout_marginEnd	
layout_marginRight	
layout_marginStart	
Padding	[?, ?, ?, ?]
Theme	
elevation	
background	@android:drawable/b
contentDescription	Yes
gravity	[center]
layout_alignParentLeft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
layout_alignParentStart	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
layout_alignParentTop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
layout_gravity	[left, center]
text	Yes
textSize	18sp

Properties	
id	buttonRight
layout_width	60dp
layout_height	55dp
Layout_Margin	[?, ?, ?, 100dp, ?]
layout_margin	
layout_marginRight	100dp
layout_marginBottom	
layout_marginEnd	
layout_marginLeft	
layout_marginStart	
layout_marginTop	
Padding	[?, ?, ?, ?, ?]
Theme	
elevation	
background	@android:drawable/btn_def
contentDescription	No
gravity	[center]
layout_alignParentEnd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
layout_alignParentRight	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
layout_alignTop	@+id/buttonLeft
layout_gravity	[right]
text	No
textSize	18sp

4. Code

Open MainActivity.java and add the following code:

```
package edu.rit.se.milk.demoapp03;

import android.graphics.Color;
import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.support.v7.widget.ButtonBarLayout;
import android.view.Gravity;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.ViewGroup;
import android.widget.Button;
import android.widget.CompoundButton;
import android.widget.LinearLayout;
import android.widget.RelativeLayout;
import android.widget.Switch;
import android.widget.TextView;
import android.widget.RelativeLayout.LayoutParams;

import java.util.Random;
import java.util.Timer;
import java.util.TimerTask;

import static android.R.attr.button;
```



```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    Button buttonLeft, buttonRight;
    TextView textStatus;
    Switch switchRendering;

    RelativeLayout layoutCover;

    Timer buttonMoveTimer;

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

        buttonLeft = (Button) findViewById(R.id.buttonLeft);
        buttonRight = (Button) findViewById(R.id.buttonRight);
        textStatus = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.textViewStatus);
        switchRendering = (Switch) findViewById(R.id.switchAccessibility);
        layoutCover = (RelativeLayout) findViewById(R.id.layoutContents);

        setupEventHandlers();
    }

    private void setupEventHandlers() {
        buttonLeft.setOnClickListener(
            new View.OnClickListener() {
                @Override
                public void onClick(View v) {
                    textStatus.setText("Button Tapped: \"Yes\"");
                }
            }
        );

        buttonRight.setOnClickListener(
            new View.OnClickListener() {
                @Override
                public void onClick(View v) {
                    textStatus.setText("Button Tapped: \"No\"");
                }
            }
        );

        switchRendering.setOnCheckedChangeListener(new
        CompoundButton.OnCheckedChangeListener() {
            @Override
            public void onCheckedChanged(CompoundButton buttonView, boolean isChecked) {
                if (isChecked) {
                    // reset();
                    buttonMoveTimer = new Timer();
                    buttonMoveTimer.schedule(new TimerTask() {
                        @Override
                        public void run() {
                            runOnUiThread(new Runnable() {
                                @Override
                                public void run() {
                                    moveButton();
                                }
                            });
                        }
                    });
                }
            }
        });
    }
}
```




```
        }, 0, 50);
    } else {
        reset();
        buttonMoveTimer.cancel();
    }
}

});
}

private void reset() {
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

    buttonLeft = (Button) findViewById(R.id.buttonLeft);
    buttonRight = (Button) findViewById(R.id.buttonRight);
    textStatus = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.textViewStatus);
    switchRendering = (Switch) findViewById(R.id.switchAccessibility);
    layoutCover = (RelativeLayout) findViewById(R.id.layoutContents);

    setupEventHandlers();
}

private void moveButton() {
    Random rand = new Random();
    int leftX = rand.nextInt(1) + 1;
    int rightX = rand.nextInt(2) + 1;
    int rightY = rand.nextInt(3) + 1;
    int leftY = rand.nextInt(4) + 1;

    int directionX = rand.nextInt(2) + 1;
    int directionY = rand.nextInt(2) + 1;

    if (directionX == 1) {
        buttonLeft.setX(buttonLeft.getX() + leftX);
        buttonLeft.setY(buttonLeft.getY() + leftY);

        buttonRight.setX(buttonRight.getX() - rightX);
        buttonRight.setY(buttonRight.getY() - rightY);
    } else {
        buttonLeft.setX(buttonLeft.getX() - leftX);
        buttonLeft.setY(buttonLeft.getY() - leftY);

        buttonRight.setX(buttonRight.getX() + rightX);
        buttonRight.setY(buttonRight.getY() + rightY);
    }
}
}
```

The above code achieves the following:

1. A timer to move the buttons
2. Handles the `onCheckedChangeListener` event of the Switch control to:
 - a. Move the buttons when the switch is checked (i.e. set to “On”)
 - b. Reset the layout of the buttons when unchecked (i.e. set to “Off”)