

# Flutter Study Jam



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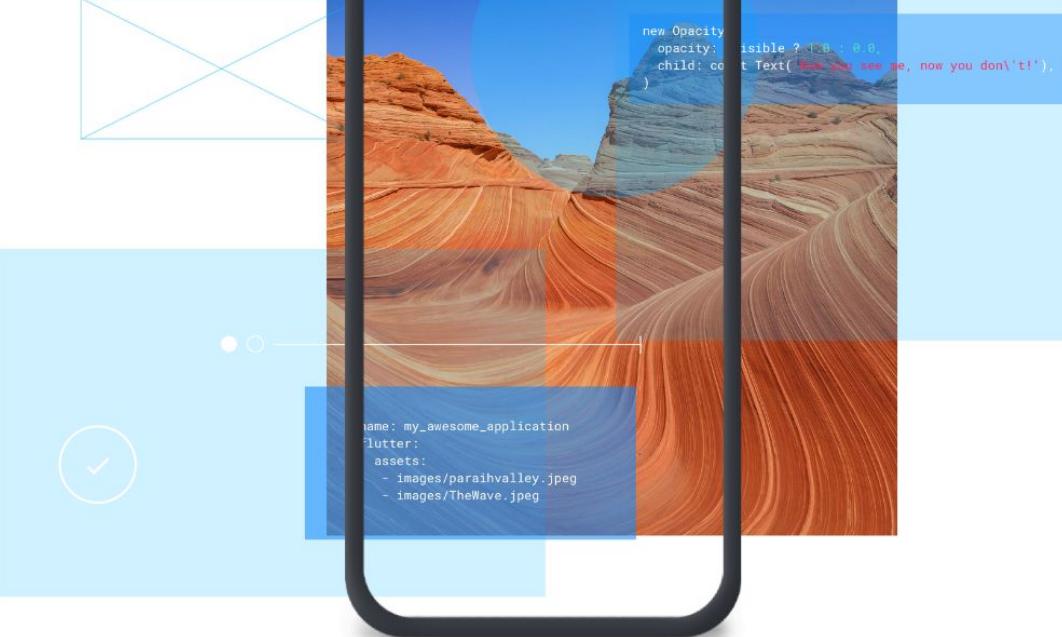
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# Study Jam Agenda

## Study Jam

- **Lunedì 19 Novembre**
- Mercoledì 21 Novembre
- Lunedì 26 Novembre
- Mercoledì 28 Novembre

Consegna attestati - Watch Party Flutter Live

- **Martedì 4 Dicembre - 17:00**

# Flutter Introduction



# What is Flutter

Flutter is a mobile app [SDK](#), complete with framework, widgets, and tools, that gives developers an [easy](#) and [productive](#) way to build and deploy beautiful mobile apps on both Android and iOS.



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**NATIVE APP**



**CROSS PLATFORM**



Native code  
vs  
Cross Platform

# Challenges of mobile development today

## “To the metal” approaches

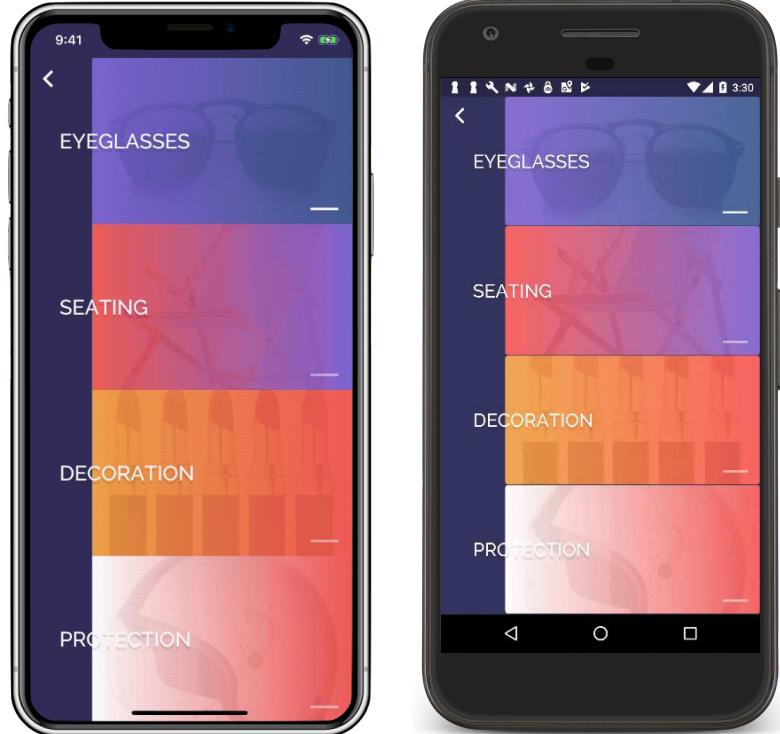
- ✓ **High-quality apps**  
Platform and system integrations
- ✓ **High-performance UIs**  
Native code, GPU accelerated
- ✗ **Must fund two apps**  
Two teams, codebases, & investments
- ✗ **Inconsistent brand, features**  
Different across devices & OEMs

## “Cross platform” approaches

- ✓ **Fast development**  
Quick iterations, hot reload
- ✓ **Portability, reach**  
Single codebase
- ✗ **Poor Performance**  
Slow, jerky, unpredictable
- ✗ **Non-Native Look/Feel**  
Users can tell the difference

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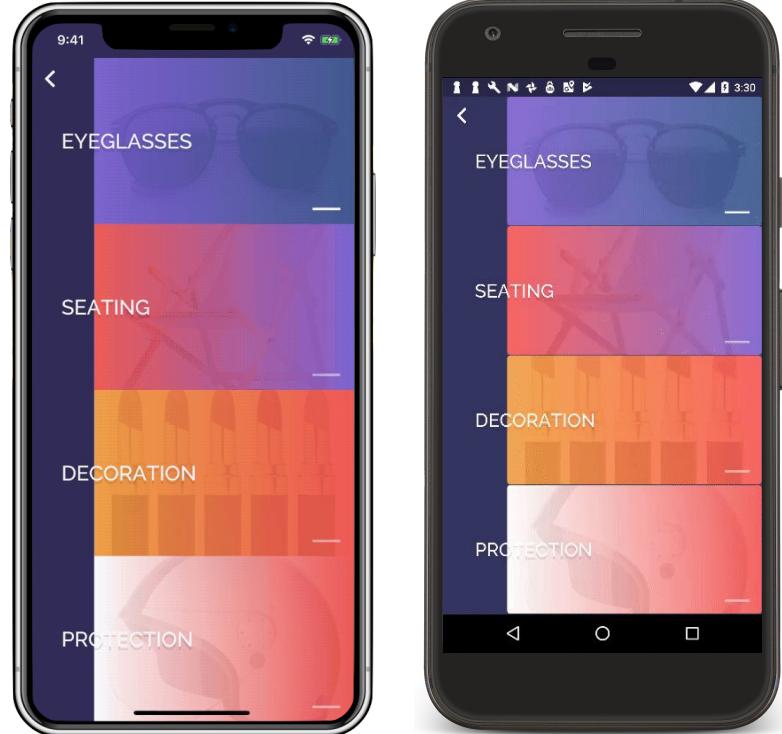


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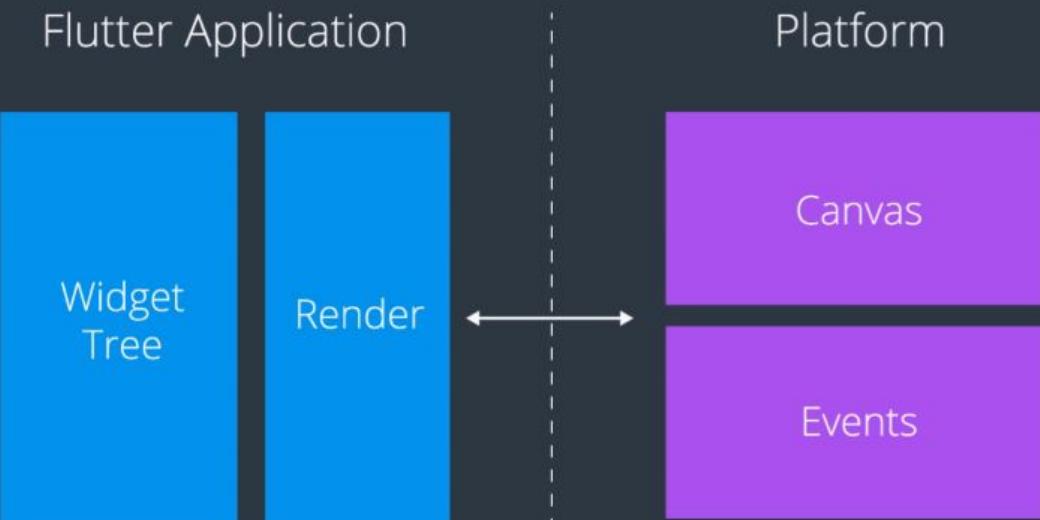


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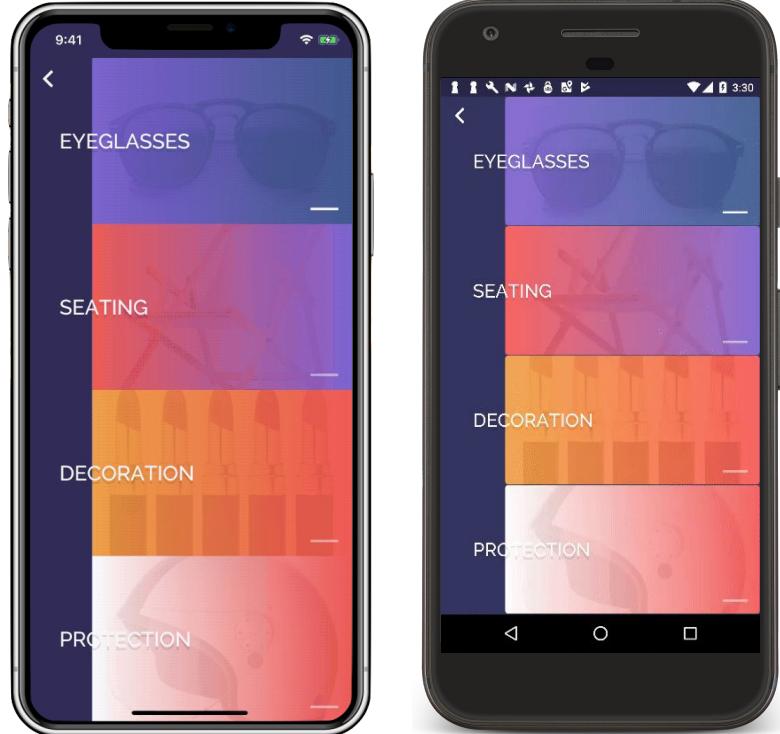


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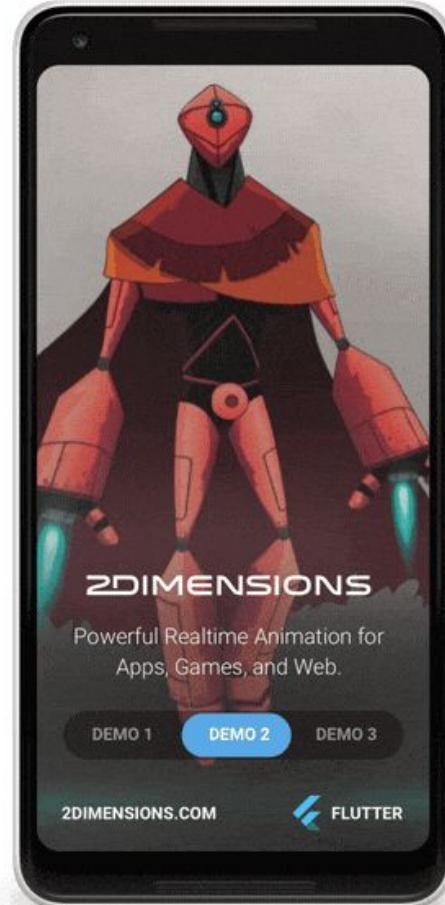
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# Flutter's Render Engine

Flutter seamlessly combines user interface widgets with 60fps animated graphics generated in real time, with the same code running on iOS and Android



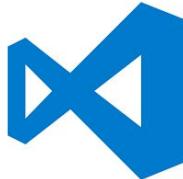
# Works with popular tools and platforms



Android Studio



Xcode



VS Code



Firebase



Android APIs



iOS APIs



Material Design



Redux



# Four ways to use Flutter today

## Start a new app from scratch

Build your new idea in Flutter, and reach both iOS and Android at the same time.

## Prototype a new app idea

Use Flutter to test out an app concept or idea in record time.

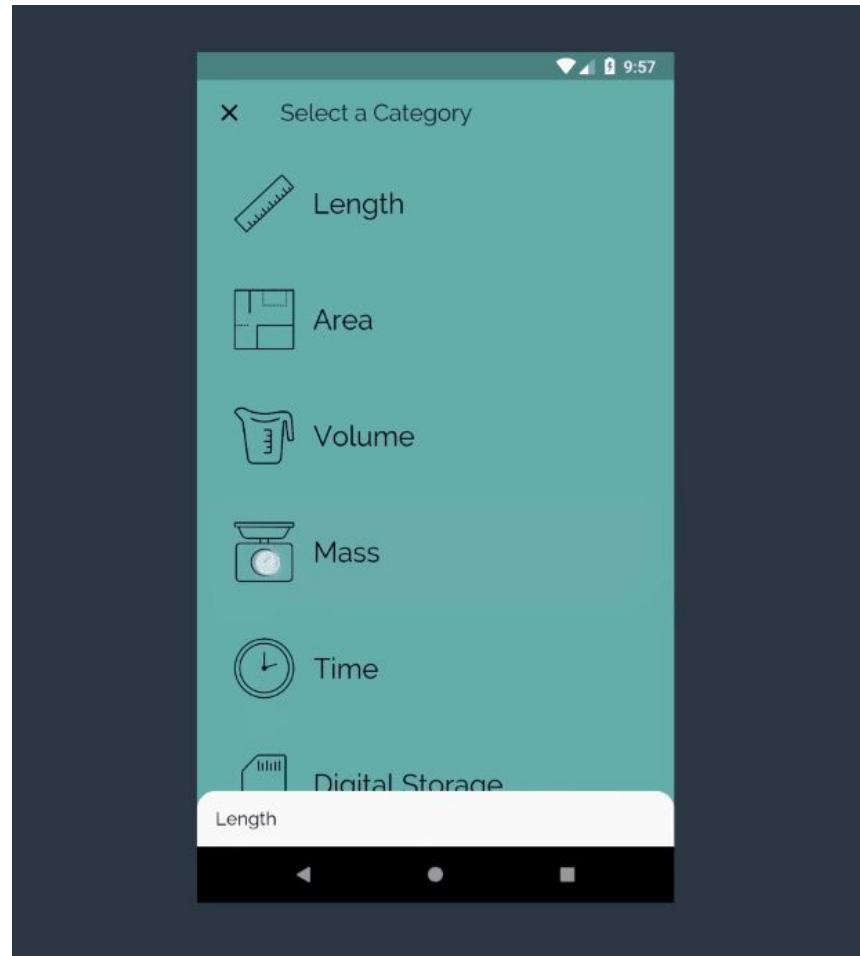
## Bring your app to the other platform

You already have an iOS or Android app? Use Flutter to build for the other platform. Combine codebases when you've proven your Flutter app.

## Use Flutter for a part of your app

Test Flutter in production with one or two screens in your existing app.

# What will we build





Dart

# Compilation and execution



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vs

Dynamic languages  
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translated in  
intermediate  
language,  
executed on VM

compiled  
on the fly  
(JIT)

# Just In Time compilation



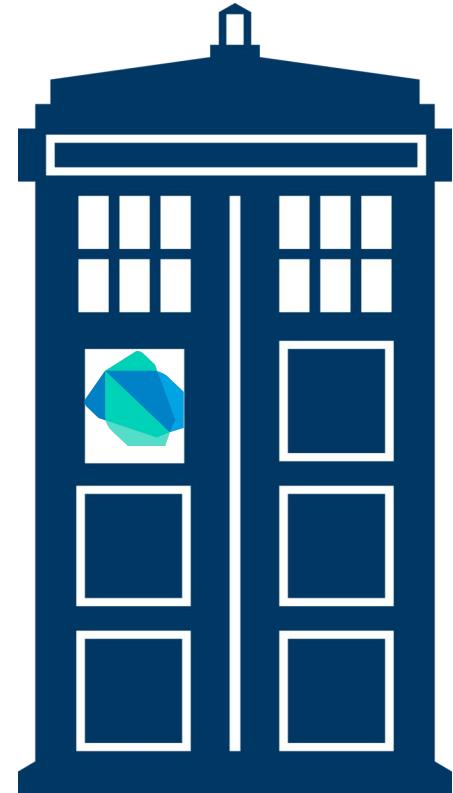
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# Ahead Of Time compilation

Faster and more predictably execution

slower development cycles



# AOT compilation



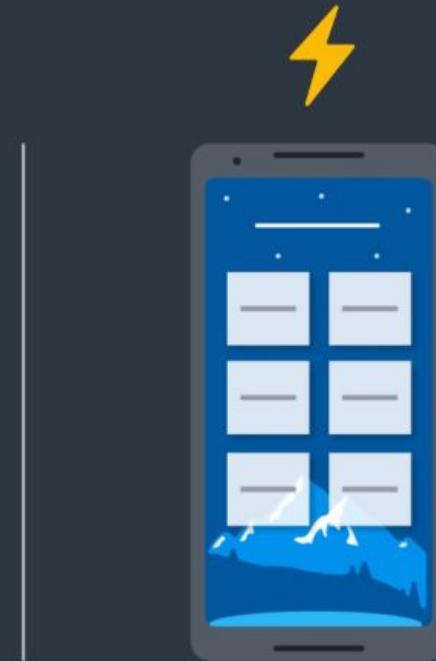
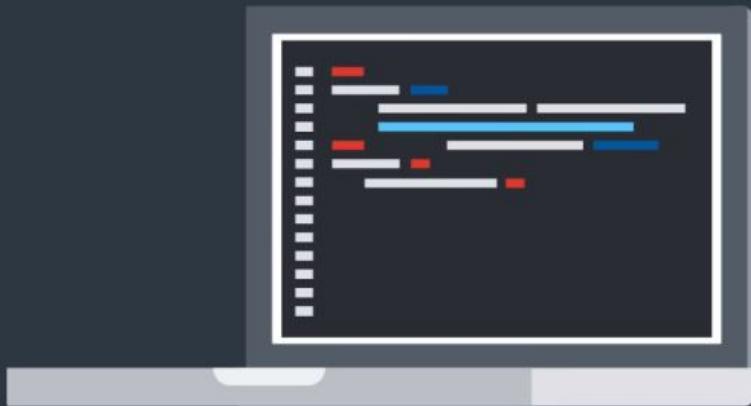
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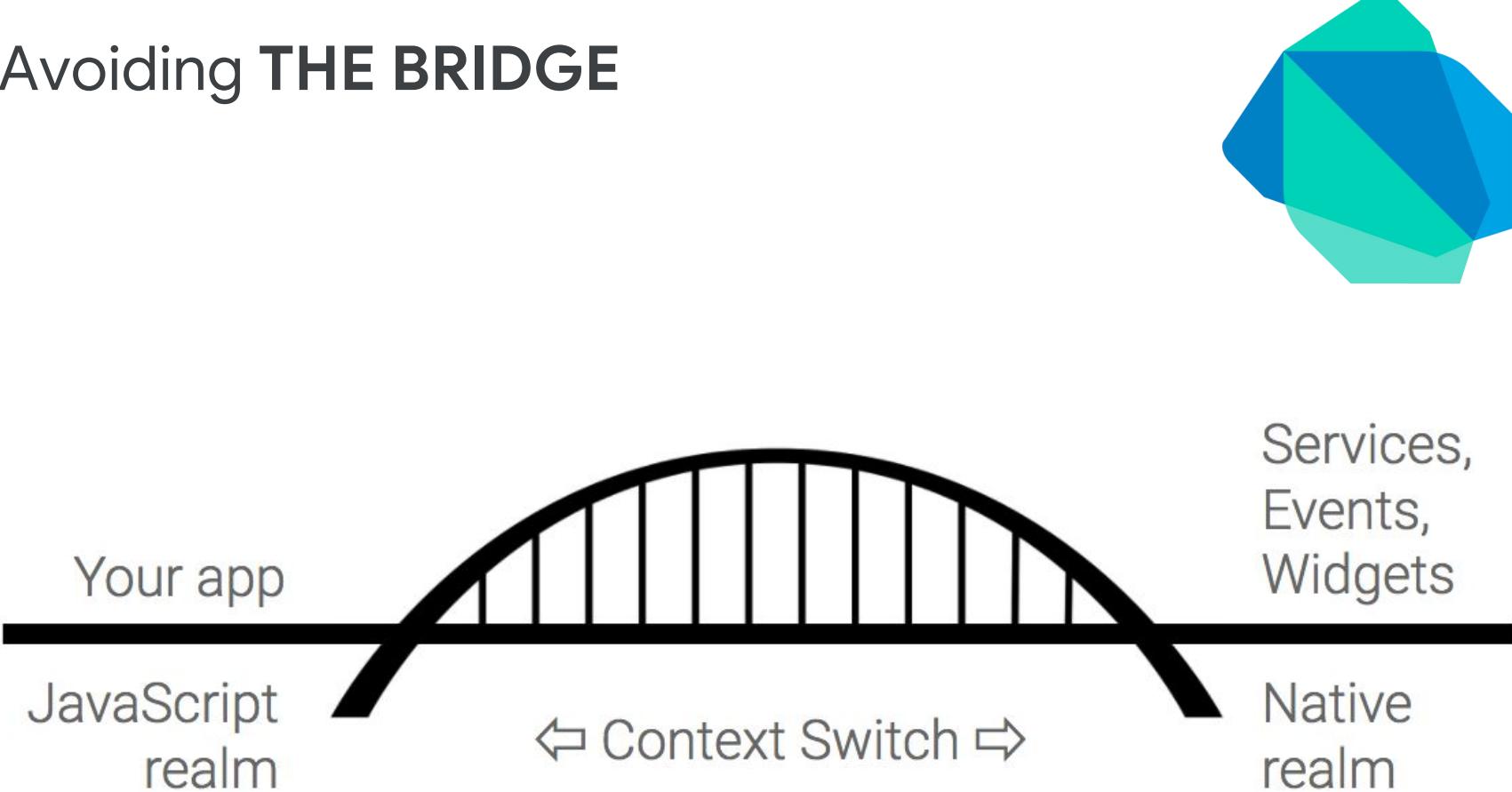
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# JIT compilation

Hot Reload!



# Avoiding THE BRIDGE



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Can generate **race conditions** fixed with locks  
that can generate **deadlock** and **starvation**.

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Dart is **single threaded**, which means it does not allow preemption at all.

Dart code runs in the context of an **isolate**.

No other code in the same isolate can run concurrently.

Isolates **do not** share memory.

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```
return new ListView.builder(itemBuilder: (context, i) {  
  if (i.isOdd) return new Divider();  
  // rest of function  
});
```

**OPEN SOURCE =**



# The **Dart** side of the code



# Comments

```
// This is a comment  
  
/*  
    This is a  
    multiline comment.  
  
    Such comment  
    very documented  
    so explanatory  
  
    WOW  
  
*/
```

# Variables

```
String fact = "Flutter è un'opera D'art";
int answer = 42;

// or

var fact = "Flutter è un'opera D'art";
var answer = 42;

// Constants
const pi = 3.14;
```

# Variables (and classes?)

```
void main() {
    print(Values.pi);
}

class Values {
    static const double pi = 3.14;
}
```

# Variables (yep, again)

```
const pi = 3.14;
```

```
var list = [1, 2, 3];  
// Implicit type is List<int>
```

```
print(list[0]);
```

# Variables (I promise it's the last one)

```
var languages = {  
  'Flutter': 'Dart',  
  'Android': 'Java',  
  'iOS' : 'Swift',  
};  
  
print(languages['Flutter']);
```

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print(languages['Flutter']);  
languages['Android'] = 'Kotlin';
```

# Variables (I lied)

```
List<int> numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4];
```

```
List<String> strings = ["Paolo", "Anna", "Lops"];
```

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```

# String concatenation

```
var topic = "Flutter";  
  
var welcome = "Welcome to $topic Study Jam!";  
// This works too  
var welcome = "Welcome to " + topic + " Study Jam!";  
  
print(welcome);  
// Welcome to Flutter Study Jam!
```

# Functions

```
void main() {  
    print(welcome("Paolo"));  
}  
  
String welcome(String name) {  
    return "Welcome $name";  
}  
  
// OUTPUT: "Welcome Paolo"
```

# Functions (even without types)

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    print(welcome("Paolo"));  
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```

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welcome(String name) {  
    return "Welcome $name";  
}
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# Functions (Dart is so clever)

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welcome(name) {  
    return "Welcome $name";  
}
```

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// OUTPUT: "Welcome Paolo"
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# Functions in functions

```
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    welcome(name) {  
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    }  
  
    print(welcome("Paolo"));  
}  
  
// OUTPUT: "Welcome Paolo"
```

# Functions (so terse, wow)

```
void main() {  
  
    welcome(name) => "Welcome $name";  
  
    print(welcome("Paolo"));  
}  
  
// OUTPUT: "Welcome Paolo"
```

# Named parameters (spoilers, they're coming)

```
void main() {  
  
    writeText(true, false);  
}  
  
void writeText(bool bold, bool hidden) { }
```

# Named parameters (you called them ;))

```
void main() {  
  
    writeText(bold: true);  
}  
  
void writeText({bool bold, bool hidden}) { }
```

# Default parameters values (because, who likes null? )

```
/// Sets the [bold] and [hidden] flags ...
void writeText({bool bold = false, bool hidden = false}) {...}

// bold will be true; hidden will be false.
writeText(bold: true);
```

# Assertions

```
// Make sure the variable has a non-null value.  
assert(text != null);  
  
// Make sure the value is less than 100.  
assert(number < 100);  
  
// Make sure this is an https URL.  
assert(urlString.startsWith('https'));
```

# Flutter <3 Dart

```
Text(  
    "SPOILERS: I'm a Widget.",  
    textAlign: TextAlign.center,  
    textScaleFactor: 3,  
)  
  
const Text(this.data, {  
    Key key,  
    this.style,  
    this.textAlign,  
    this.textDirection,  
    this.textScaleFactor,  
    this.maxLines,  
}) : assert(data != null),  
    textSpan = null,  
    super(key: key);
```

# Everything is an object

```
void printElement(int element) {  
    print(element);  
}  
  
var list = [1, 2, 3];  
  
// Pass printElement as a parameter.  
list.forEach(printElement);
```

# Anonymous Functions (they're probably GDPR compliant)

```
var list = ['apples', 'bananas', 'oranges'];
list.forEach((item) {
  print('${list.indexOf(item)}: $item');
});
```

OUTPUT:

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0: apples
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# Classes (still boring stuff)

```
class Point {  
    num x, y;  
  
    Point(num x, num y) {  
        // There's a better way to do this, stay tuned.  
        this.x = x;  
        this.y = y;  
    }  
}
```

# Classes

```
class Point {  
    num x, y;  
  
    // Syntactic sugar for setting x and y  
    // before the constructor body runs.  
    Point(this.x, this.y);  
}
```

# Named constructors

```
class Point {  
    num x, y;  
  
    Point(this.x, this.y);  
  
    // Named constructor  
    Point.origin() {  
        x = 0;  
        y = 0;  
    }  
}
```

# Extend classes

```
class Television {  
    void turnOn() {  
        _illuminateDisplay();  
        _activateIrSensor();  
    }  
    // ...  
}  
  
class SmartTelevision extends Television {  
    void turnOn() {  
        super.turnOn();  
        _bootNetworkInterface();  
        _initializeMemory();  
        _upgradeApps();  
    }  
    // ...  
}
```

# Extended classes

```
class Person {  
    String firstName;  
  
    Person.fromJson(Map data) {  
        print('Person');  
    }  
}  
  
class Employee extends Person {  
    // Person does not have a default constructor;  
    // you must call super.fromJson(data).  
    Employee.fromJson(Map data) : super.fromJson(data) {  
        print('Employee');  
    }  
}  
  
main() {  
    var emp = new Employee.fromJson({});  
}
```

# Abstract class

```
abstract class Doer {  
    // Define instance variables and methods...  
  
    void doSomething(); // Define an abstract method.  
}  
  
class EffectiveDoer extends Doer {  
    void doSomething() {  
        // Provide an implementation, so the method is not abstract here...  
    }  
}
```

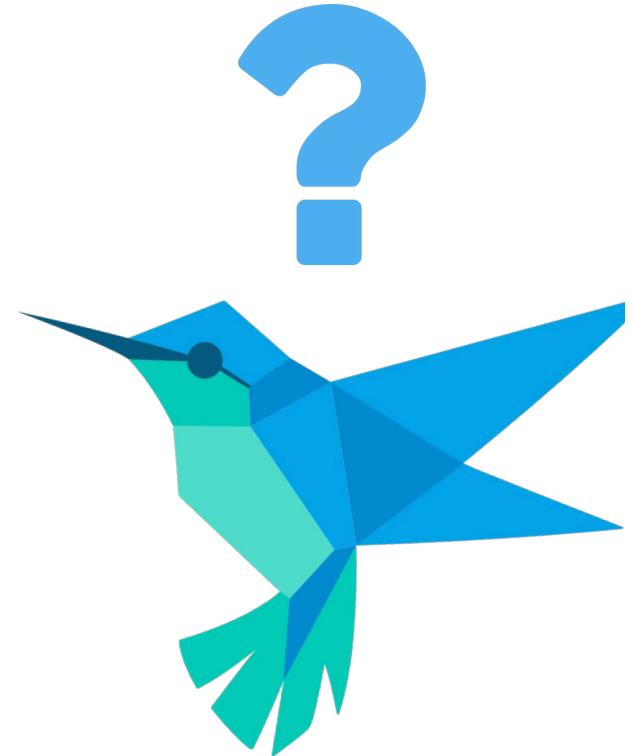
# Dart Language Asynchrony Support

We'll see it in the **Future**  
Await for it :)



# Quiz: Write some Dart code!

[dartpad.dartlang.org](https://dartpad.dartlang.org)



```
class Quad  
int side1, side2, side3, side4
```



```
abstract class QuadArea  
area()
```

```
class Square(int lato)
```

```
class Rectangle(int lato1, int lato2)
```

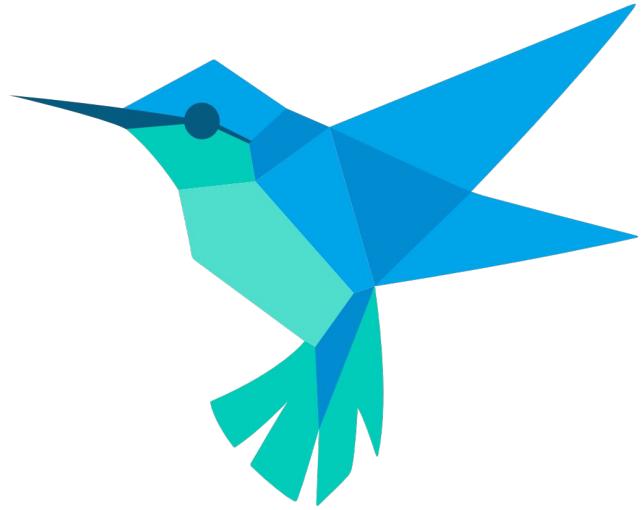
```
Extends Quad, implements QuadArea
```

**Main:** Create a Square and Rectangle and print their area

# Build your first Flutter app



10 minutes  
Break

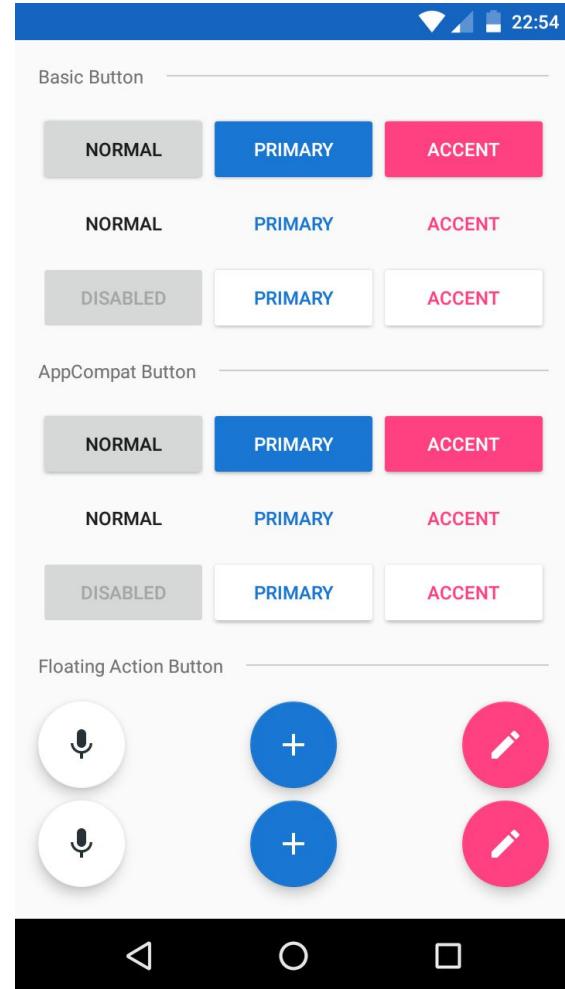


# Flutter's reactive framework



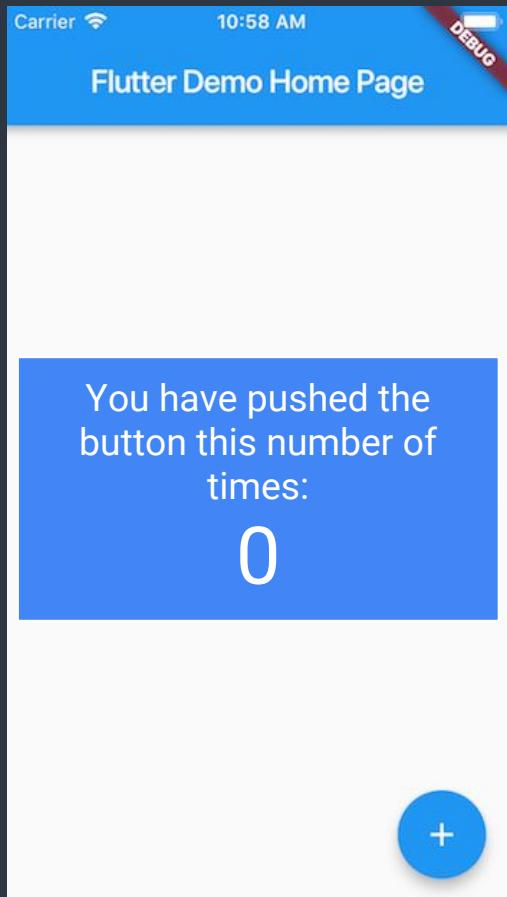
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A widget is a description of part of a user interface and nearly everything is a widget, written in Dart.

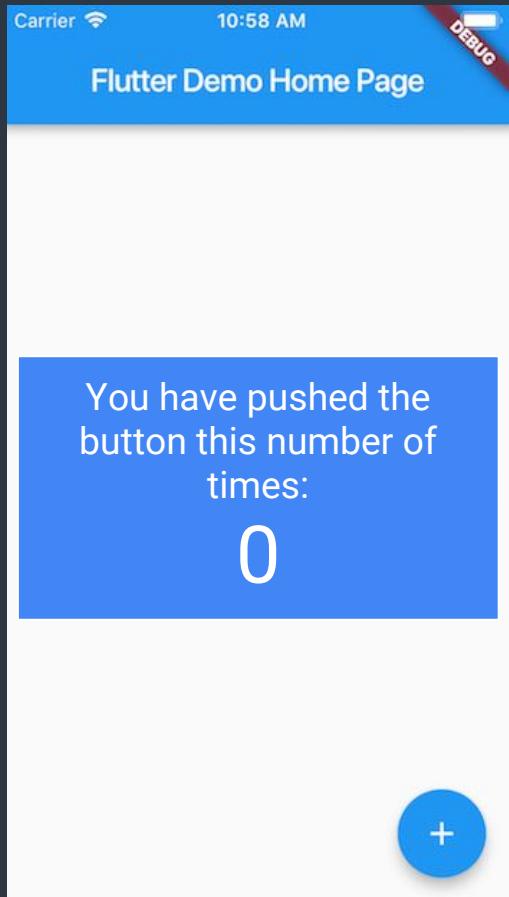
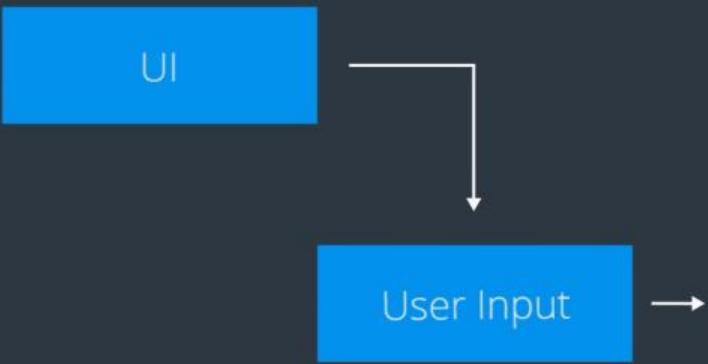


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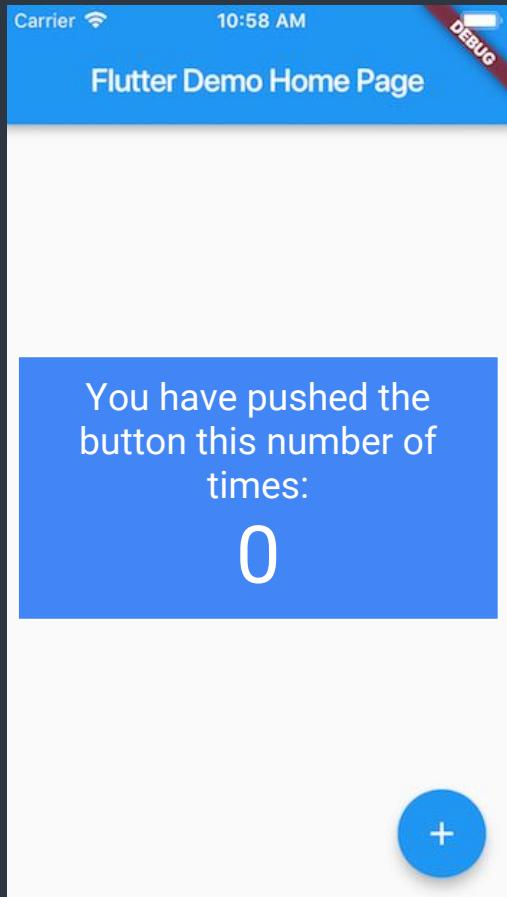
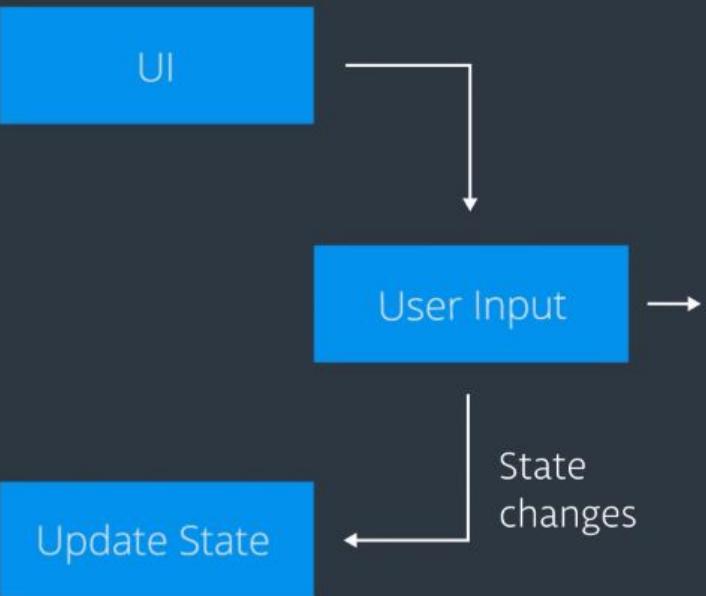
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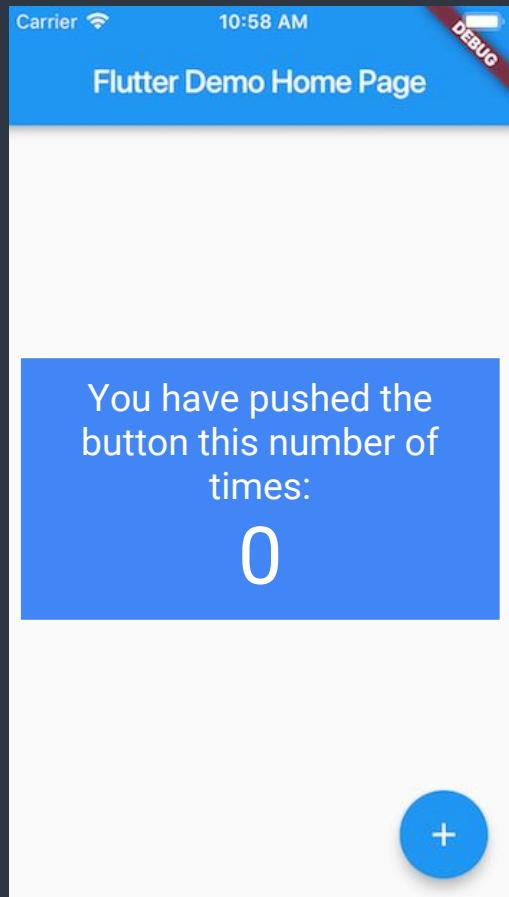
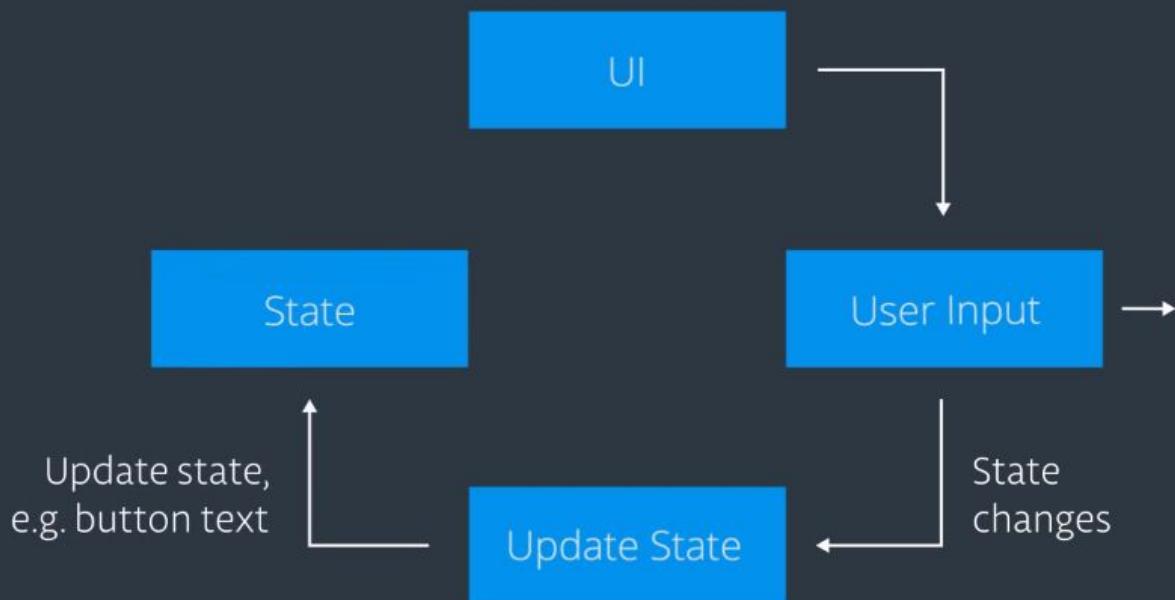
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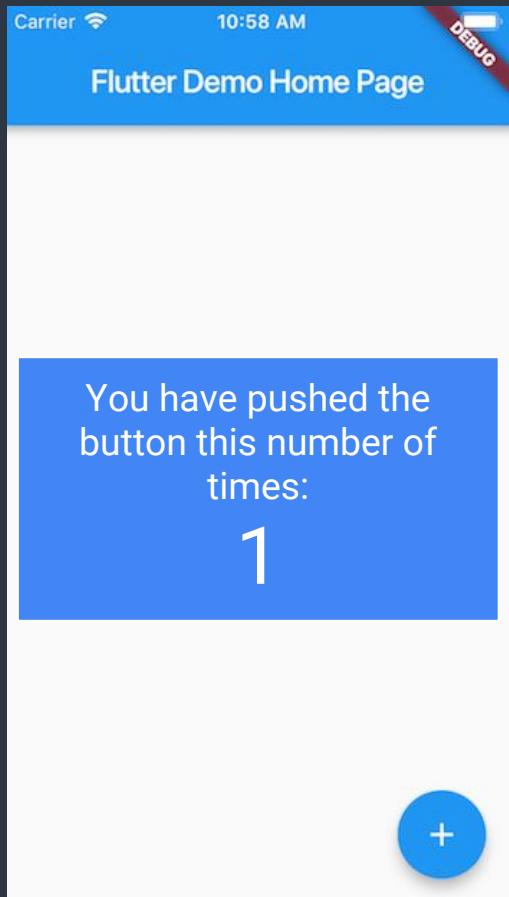
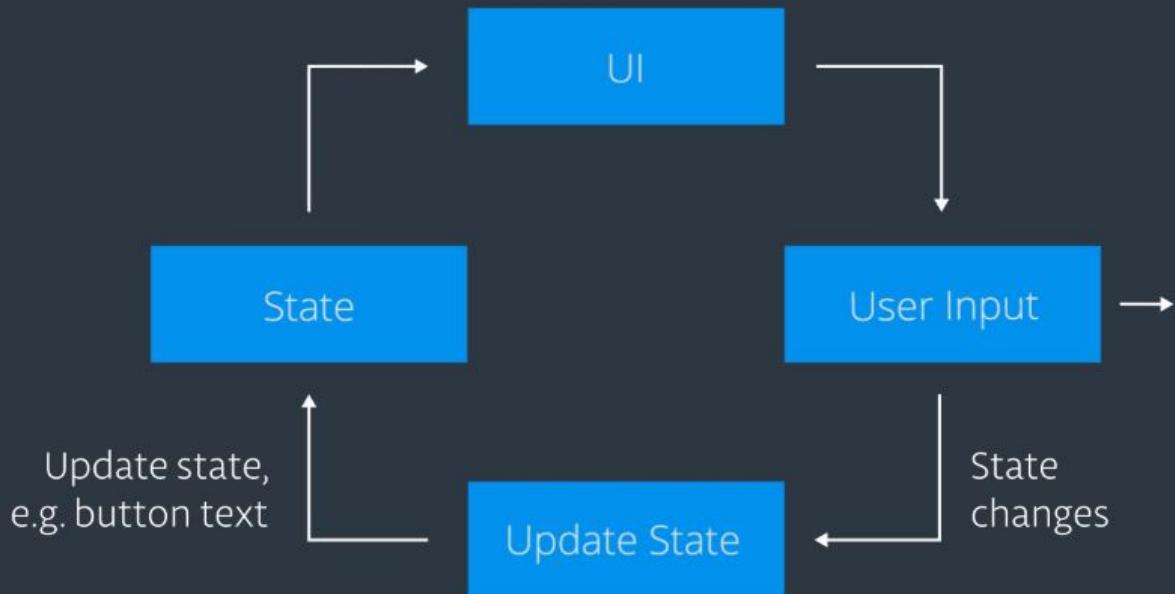
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Android



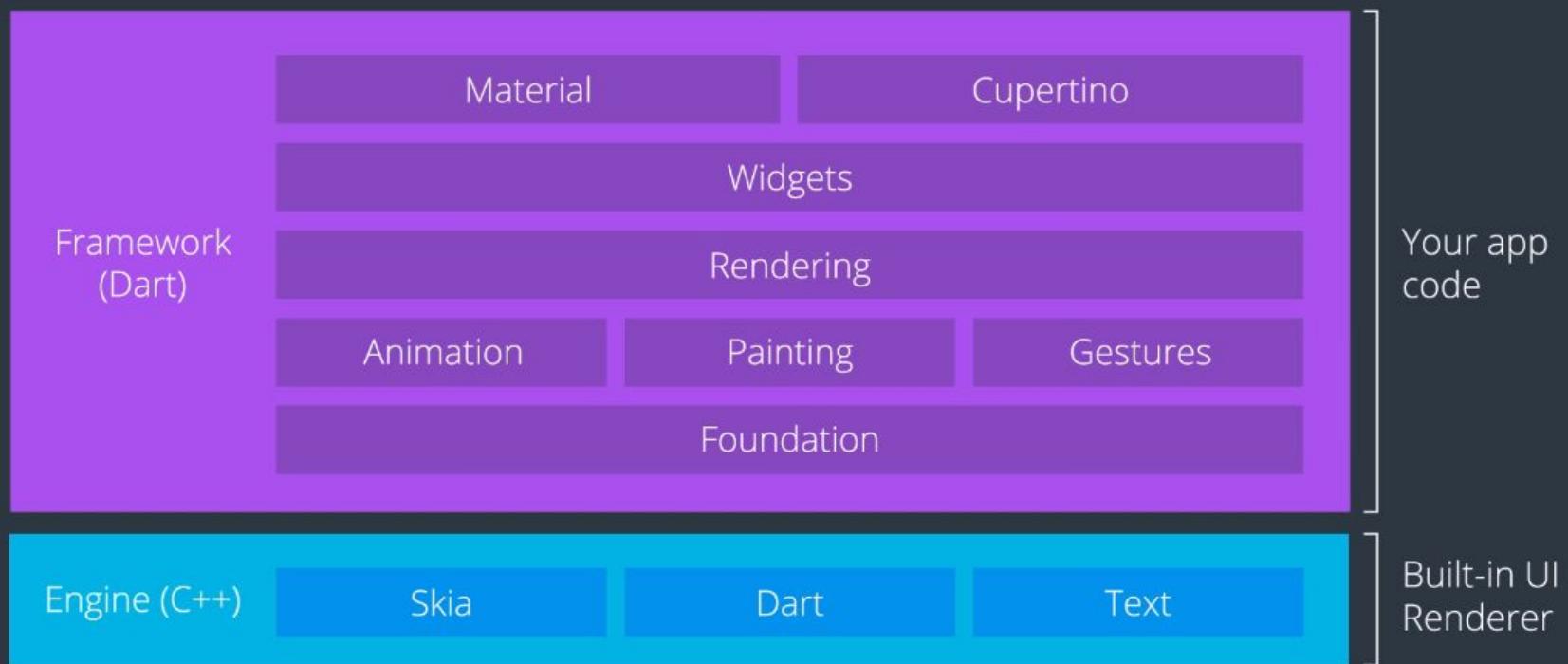
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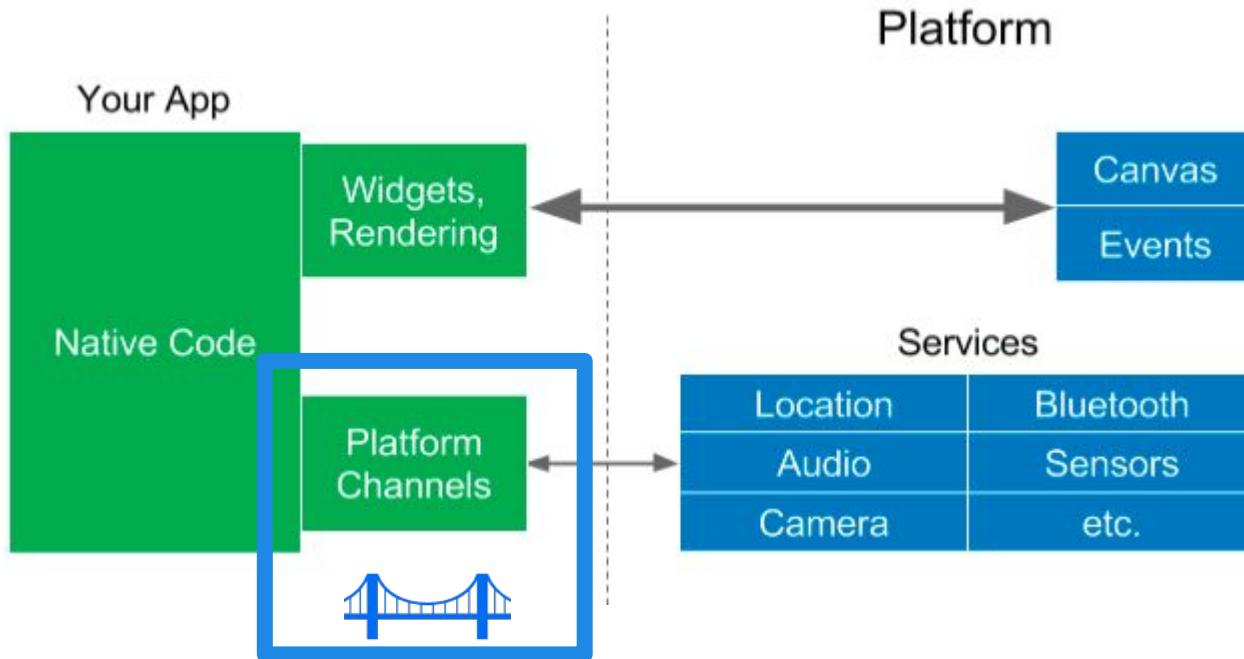


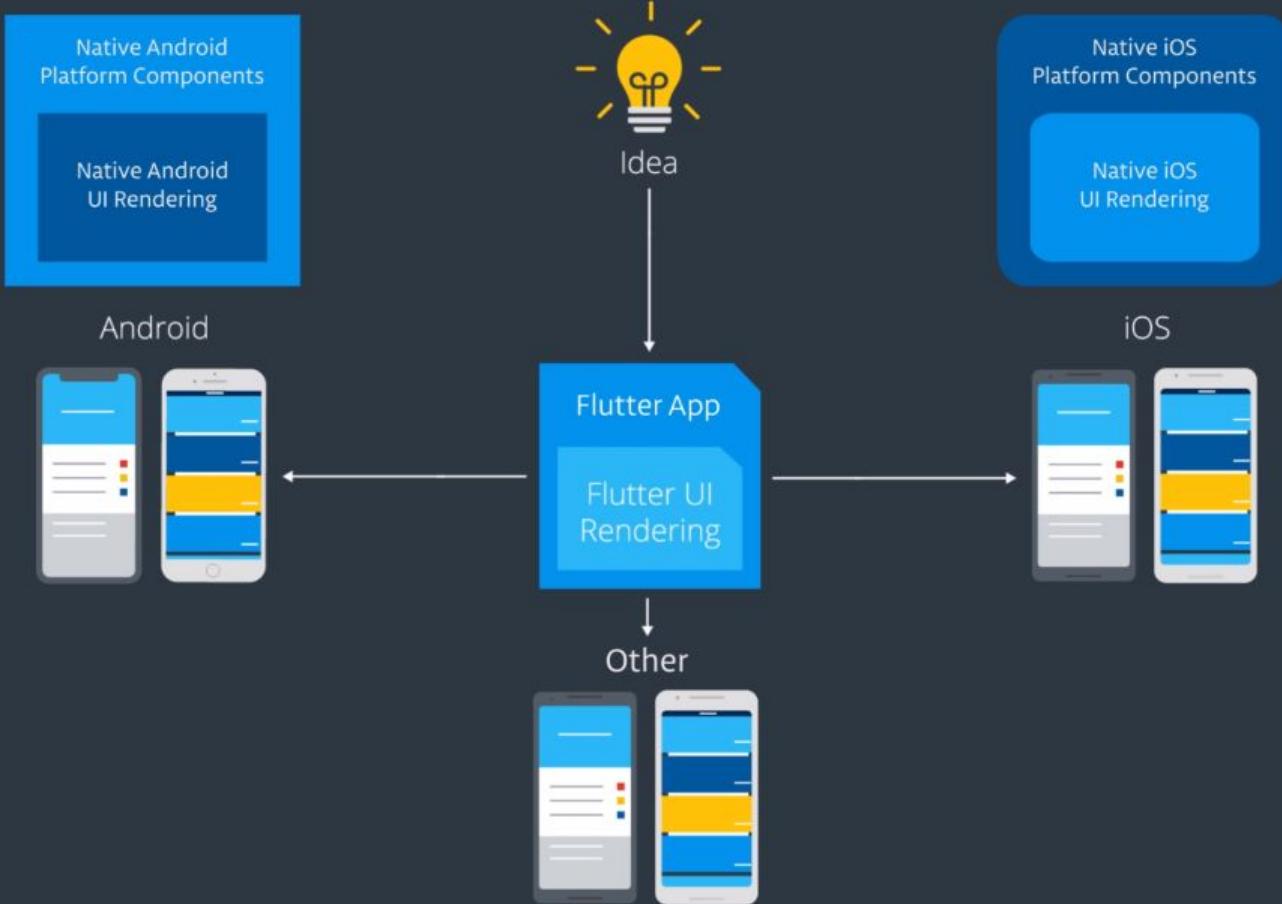
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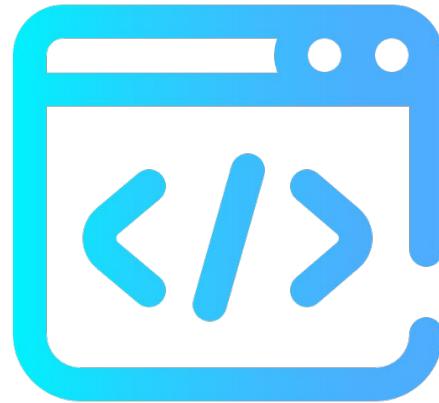
# Inside a Flutter app







Let's explore  
Flutter's dev tools



The wonderful things  
about Widget

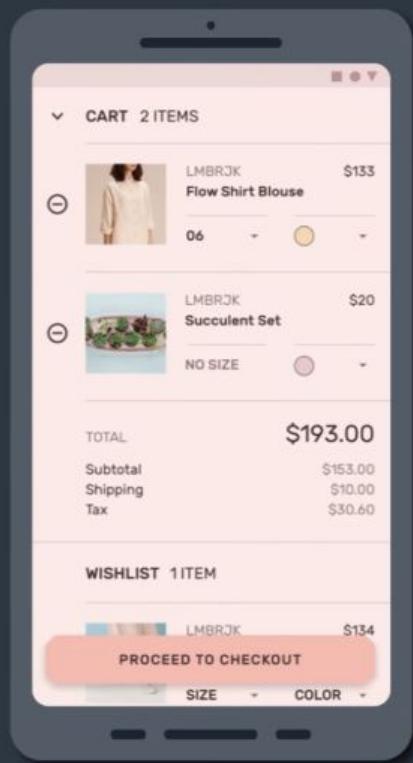


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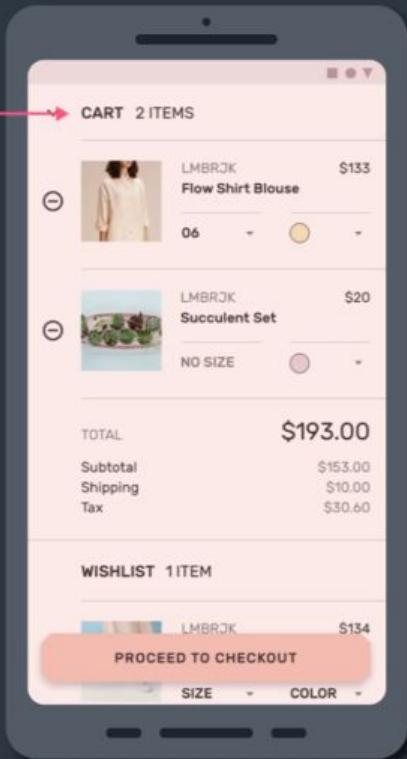
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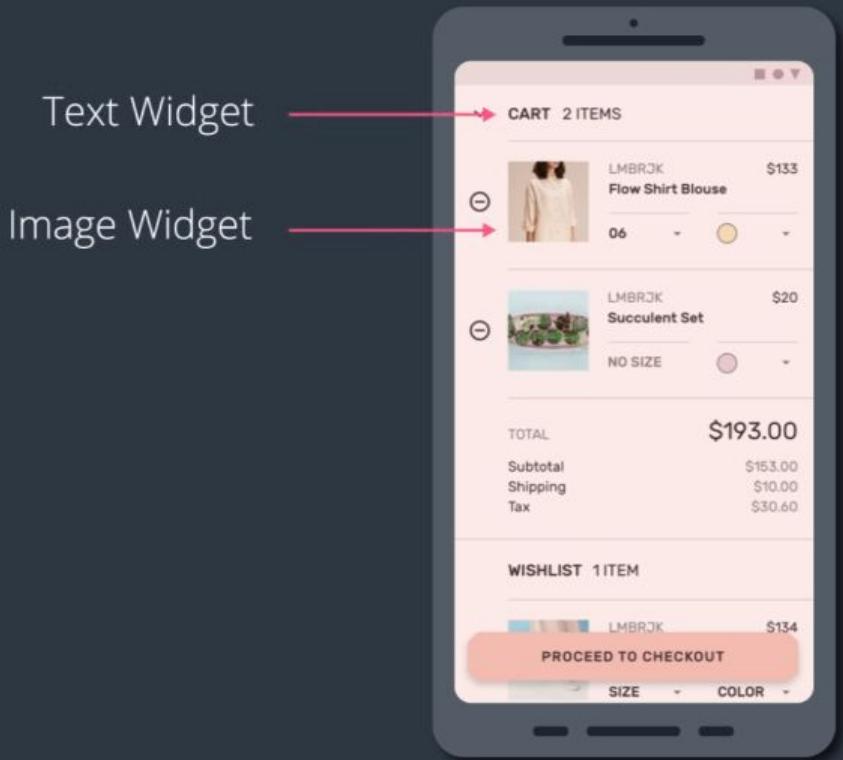
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- Container
- Row/Column
- Icon
- IconButton
- Offstage
- Stack
- Expanded



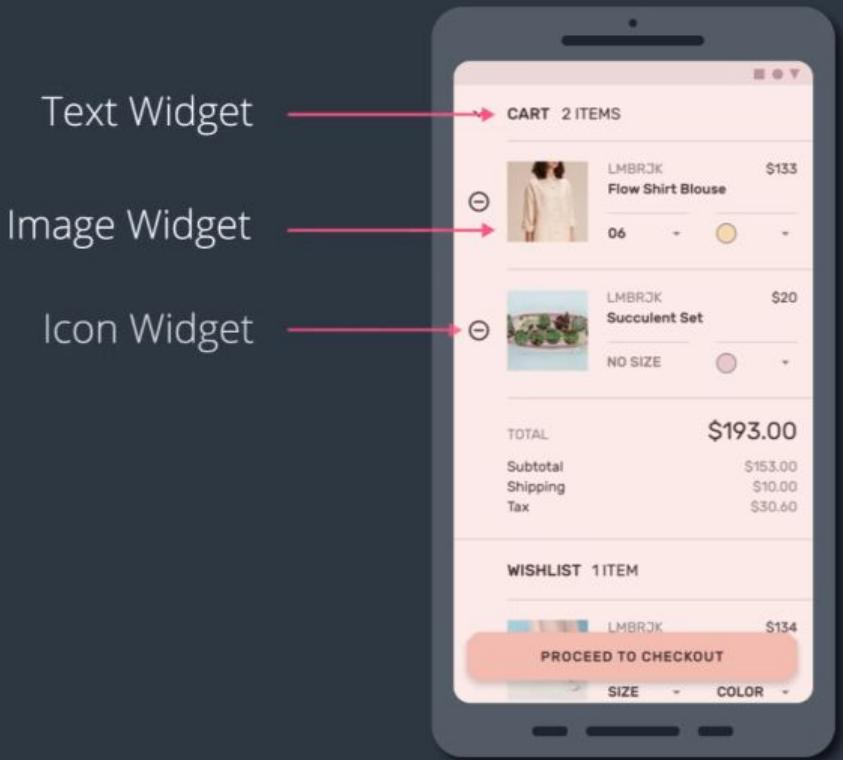
Text Widget

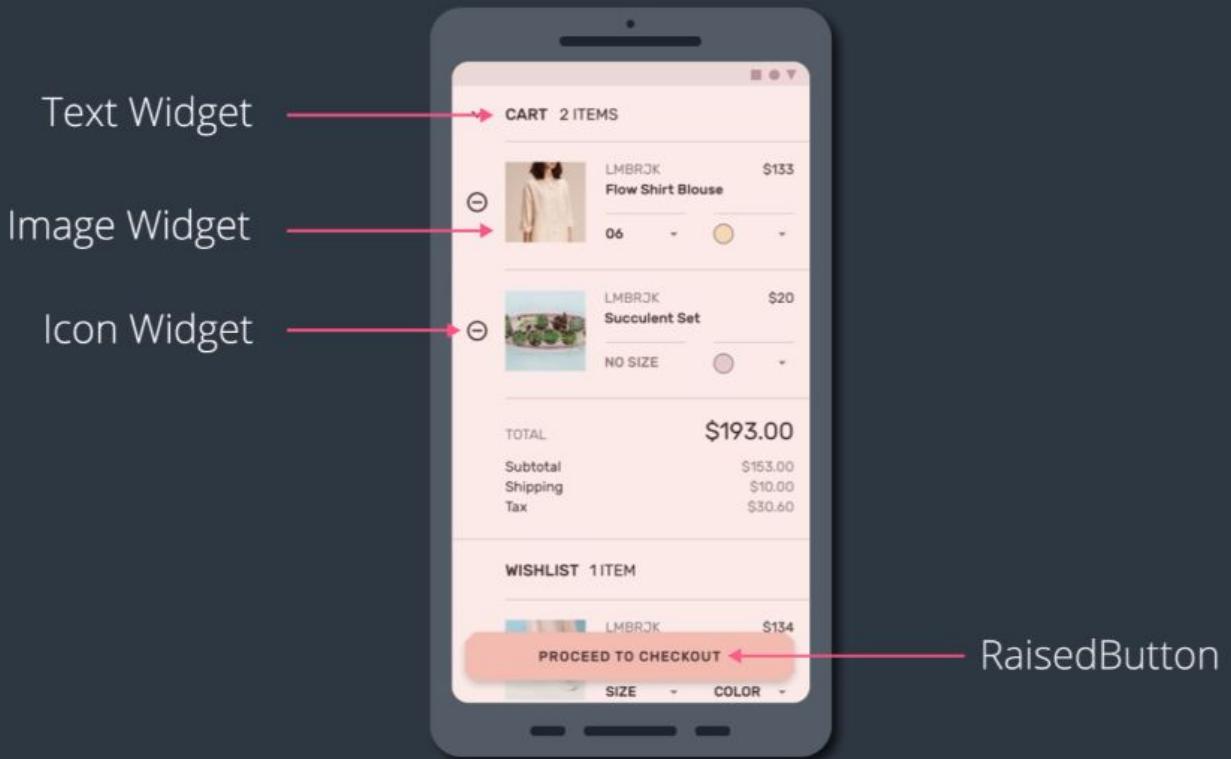


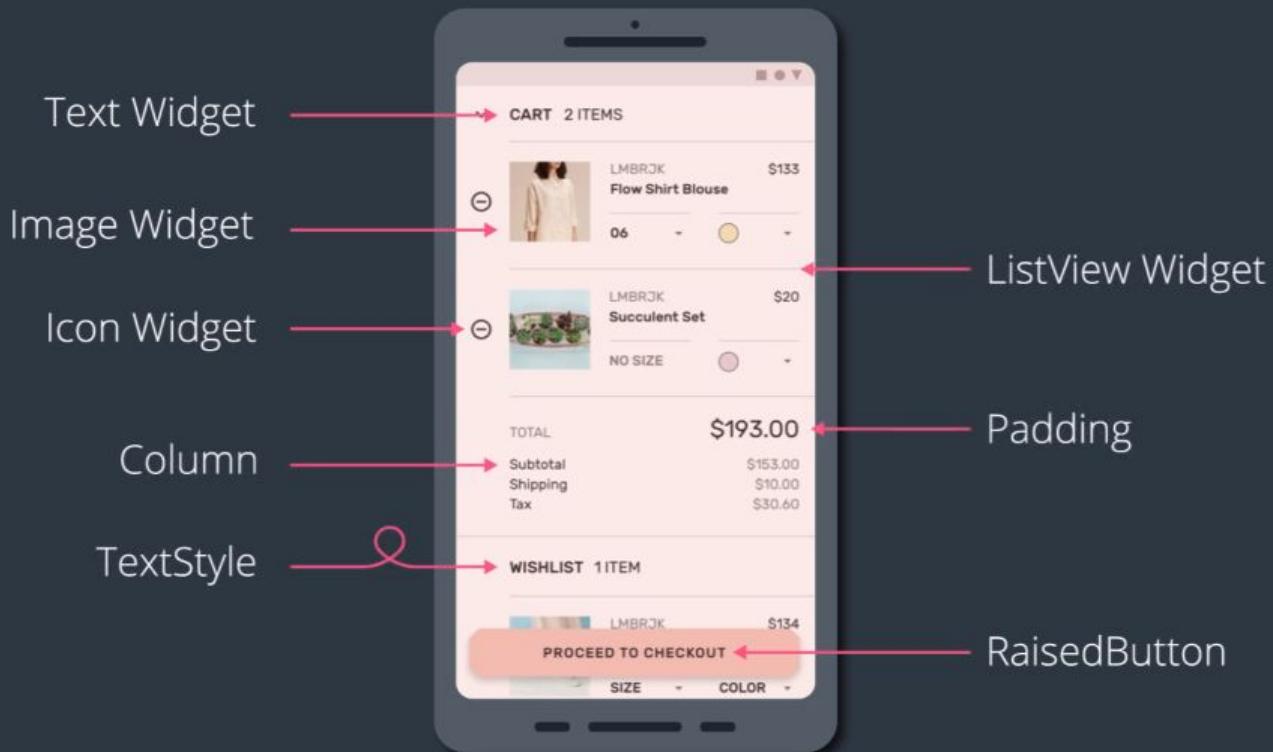


Text Widget

Image Widget



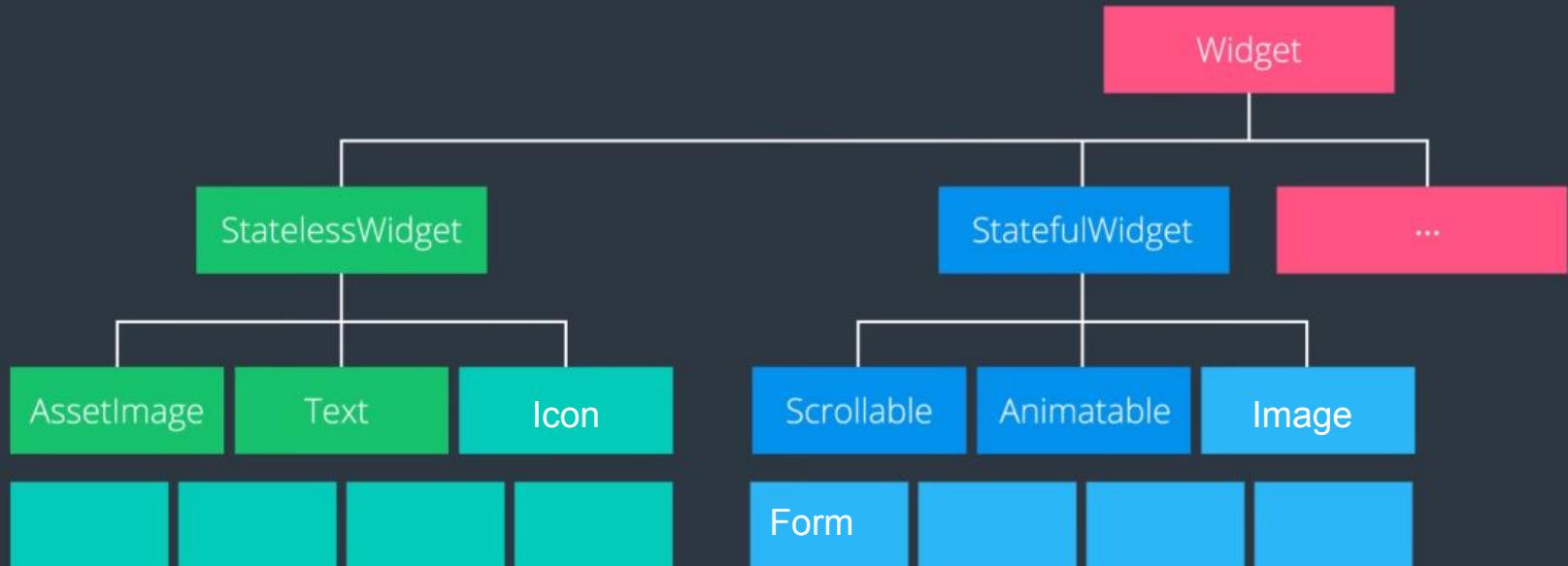




# WIDGETS EVERYWHERE

# FLUTTER

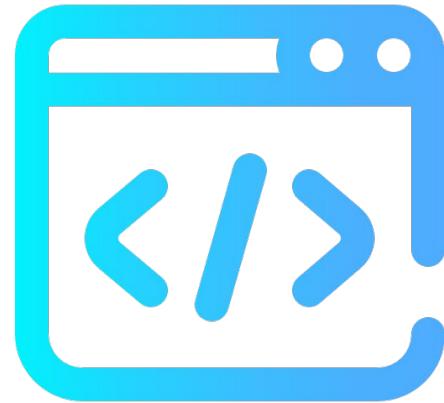
# Everything is a widget



# Stateless widgets



# Let's explore a Container Widget



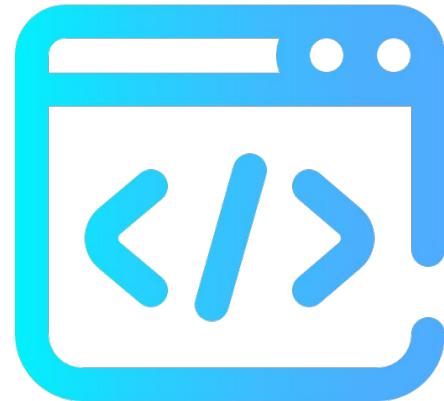
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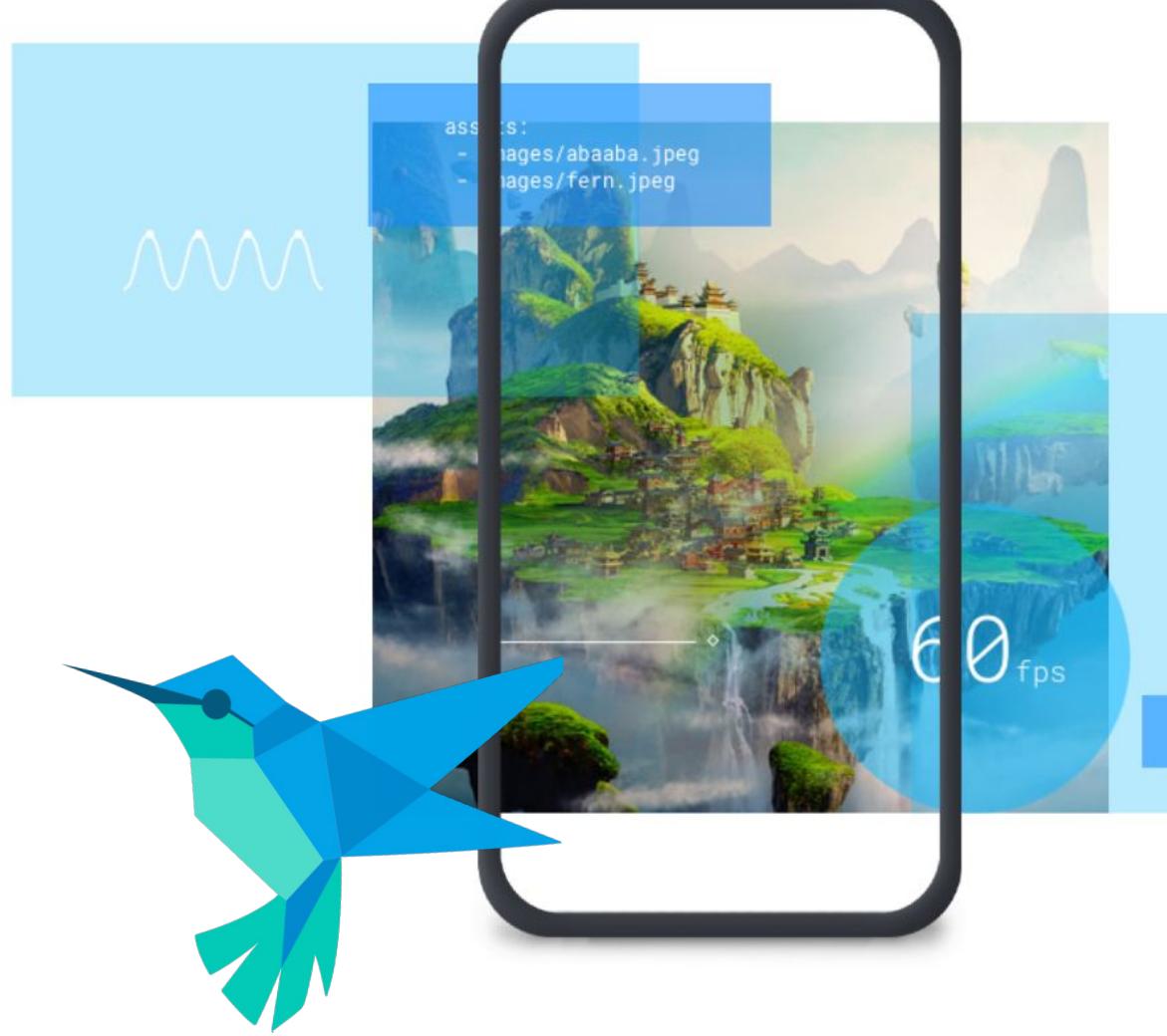
# Quiz: Explore Flutter Widgets



# Let's examine Hello Rectangle



# Questions?



How can we  
improve?



[goo.gl/forms/RqinKD  
2LcVkzQolm2](https://goo.gl/forms/RqinKD2LcVkzQolm2)