Affirm Coding Exercise

This is an exercise to test you on reading the existing codebase and adding some logic to it.

The app

The complete app is an app that loads the restaurants from two APIs (Yelp and Zomato). The user can tap "YESSS" or "MEHHH" to indicate if they like or dislike the restaurants. The counters on top of the buttons will be updated accordingly.



Gif is at "documentation/demo.gif"

The challenge

The challenge should take 90 ~ 120 minutes to complete.

We provided some skeleton code to you and you can work on top of it or modify the existing code as you wish.

Requirements

Complete this app

Write the logic to query some restaurants from two APIs. The data model is already implemented.

Yelp API Zomato API

By default, we load a fixed number of restaurants at a time. When the user approaches the last couple restaurants, we want the app to load more restaurants, such that the user can experience the infinite scrolling.

The way we load from the two resources should be alternatively. E.g. load first batch from Yelp, second batch from Zomato, then Yelp, then Zomato, so on and so forth.

Suggested steps

- 1) Load the restaurants from Yelp API first.
- 2) Implement the endless scroll (when the user almost reaches to the end of the image stack, load the next batch).
- 3) Load the restaurants from Zomato API, and load the restaurants in alternative fashion.

There are some "TODOs" to guide you on where you would need to implement code.

Complete a writeup

Write a simple text file about how long you spent on completing this exercise and what architecture/libraries you chose to complete the app. Also include where you think the app can improve.

Criteria

We will evaluate programs on correctness and code quality.

For correctness, we expect that the restaurants will be loaded and displayed correctly. After first batch of the restaurants, the next batch of the restaurants will come from a different source. Once the user clicks the "Yes" or "No" button, the counter also gets updated.

For quality, we expect code to be easy to read and maintain, have separation of concerns. We will be grading based on the architectural decisions that you made. (You can write about it briefly in the writeup)

You will NOT be graded on tests.

FAQs

Q: The skeleton code is in Kotlin, can I use Java?

A: Yes! If you aren't very familiar with Kotlin, it's totally fine! Kotlin code can be easily called by Java and vice versa. You can create your part of the code in Java.

Q: Code provided imports for "FusedLocationProviderClient", can I use something else? A: Sure!

Q: I see the skeleton code has room for improvement, can I improve it? A: Yes, we'd like to hear your thoughts!