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Introducing Android *Splitties*







A collection of extension libraries for android



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What is it?

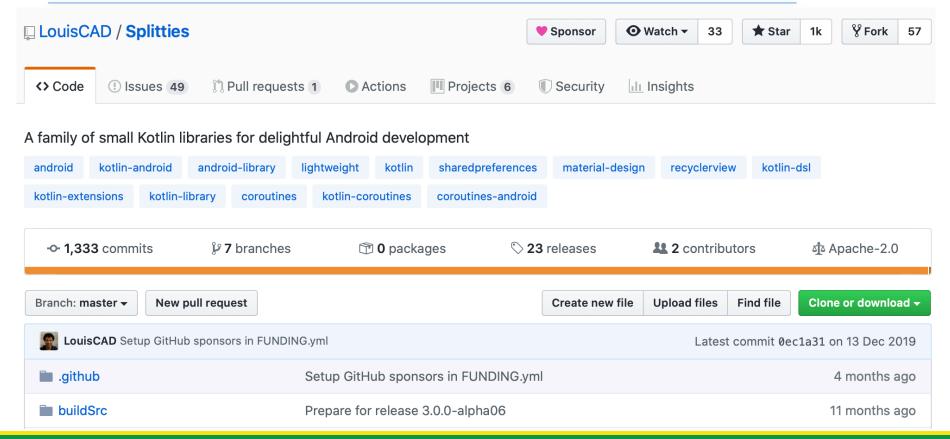


□ Splitties a collection of small Kotlin multiplatform libraries (with Android as first target)

- ☐ intended to reduce the amount of code you have to write, so you can focus more on what you want to build for your users
- □ named as such because it is split in small modules, distributed as independent libraries - add only the ones you need - helping reduce the size of the final binary download

Official Docs (https://github.com/LouisCAD/Splitties)









- Activities: Start activities with minimal boilerplate.
- Alert Dialog: Create simple alert dialogs with simple code.
- Alert Dialog AppCompat: AppCompat version of Alert Dialog.
- Alert Dialog AppCompat Coroutines: showAndAwait extension functions for AppCompat AlertDialog.
- App Context: Always have your application Context at hand with appCtx.
- Arch Lifecycle: Extensions to get ViewModel s, use LiveData and observe Lifecycle s.
- Arch Room: Room helpers to instantiate your DB and perform transactions in Kotlin.
- Bundle: BundleSpec to use Bundle with property syntax for Intent extras and more.
- Checked Lazy: mainThreadLazy that checks property access on main thread, and checkedLazy to make your own variant.
- Dimensions: Android dp extensions for View and Context . Particularly handy when using Views DSL.
- Exceptions: unexpectedValue(...), unsupportedAction(...) and similar functions that return Nothing.
- Fragments: Start activities from fragments and do transactions with minimal boilerplate.
- Fragment Args: Fragment arguments without ceremony thanks to delegated properties.





- Init Provider: Base class for ContentProvider s used for automatic initialization purposes.
- Intents: Transform companion object s into powerful typesafe intent specs, and create PendingIntent s the clean and easy way.
- Lifecycle Coroutines: Coroutines integration with AndroidX Lifecycle.
- Main Handler: Top-level mainHandler property to stop allocating multiple Handler's for main Looper.
- Main Thread: Properties and precondition checkers related to Android main thread.
- Material Colors: 2014 Material Design color palettes as color resources.
- Material Lists: List item Views implementing Material Design guidelines (perfect for usage in a RecyclerView).
- Permissions: Request runtime permissions without polluting your codebase.
- Preferences: Property syntax for Android's SharedPreferences.
- Resources: Extensions to get resources like strings, colors or drawables easily, with support for themed attributes.
- Selectable Views: Selectable Views with foreground property before API 23.
- Selectable Views AppCompat: Selectable Views for AppCompatTextView.
- Selectable Views ConstraintLayout: Selectable Views for ConstraintLayout.





- Snackbar: Grab a snack without ceremony with snack(...) and longSnack(...)
- Stetho init: Have Stetho for your debug builds, without writing any code!
- System Services: No more context.getSystemService(NAME_OF_SERVICE) as NameOfManager.
- Toast: Show a toast by just calling toast(yourText), and dodge API 25 BadTokenException.
- Typesafe RecyclerView: Typesafe ViewHolder and ItemViewHolder for easy basic usage of RecyclerView.
- Views: Extensions function and properties on View s.
- Views AppCompat: AppCompat extension of Views. Includes helpers for ImageView tinting, ActionBar and tooltip.
- Views CardView: CardView extension of Views. Provides a contentPadding property.
- Views Coroutines: Android Views + Kotlin coroutines.
- Views Coroutines Material: Material Components + Kotlin coroutines.
- Views DSL: Create UIs with readable Kotlin code.
- Views DSL AppCompat: AppCompat extension of Views DSL.
- Views DSL ConstraintLayout: ConstraintLayout extension of Views DSL.

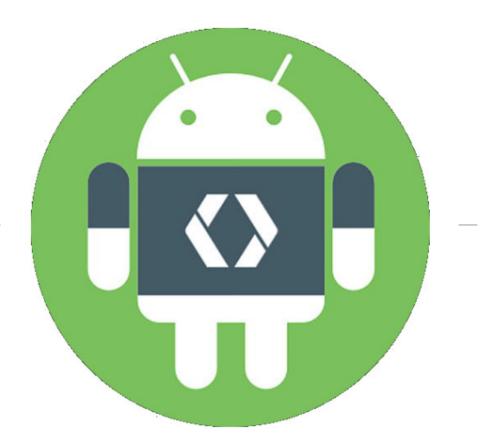




- Views DSL CoordinatorLayout: CoordinatorLayout extension of Views DSL.
- Views DSL IDE preview: Preview Views DSL UIs in the IDE.
- Views DSL Material: Material Components extension of Views DSL.
- Views DSL RecyclerView: RecyclerView extension of Views DSL.
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some examples...



Toasts



Show a toast by just calling toast(yourText), and dodge API 25 BadTokenException.

To create and show a Toast , just call toast(...) (for breakfast) or longToast(...) (for breakslow) with either a string resource id or a CharSequence .

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```
implementation("com.louiscad.splitties:splitties-toast:$splitties_version")
```

Snackbars



Grab a snack without ceremony with snack(...) and longSnack(...)

This split provides extensions to show a Snackbar, boilerplate free. It also has a small extension functions based DSL to add an action and execute action on dismiss.

Usage

On a CoordinatorLayout, call snack(...), longSnack(...) (if you're really hungry), or snackForever(...) for an indefinite duration, with a string resource id, or a CharSequence.

You can add optional braces to access the Snackbar instance before it is shown, so you can add an action (using action(...) { ... }) and add callback for dismissal (using onDismiss(...)).

Note that snackbar(...), longSnack(...) and snackForever(...) return the created Snackbar instance. That means you can as well add onDismiss(...) on the result of the call instead of inside the optional inline lambda.

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implementation("com.louiscad.splitties:splitties-snackbar:\$splitties_version")





Create simple alert dialogs with simple code

```
private fun doIrreversibleStuffOrCancel() {
    alertDialog {
        messageResource = R.string.dialog_msg_confirm_irreversible_stuff
        okButton { irreversibleStuff() }
        cancelButton()
    }.onShow {
        positiveButton.textColorResource = R.color.red_500
    }.show()
}
```

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```
implementation("com.louiscad.splitties:splitties-alertdialog:$splitties_version")
```

Activities



Starting Activities

The start extension function for Context takes advantage of reified type parameters to allow you to write such code: start<AboutActivity>().

There's an optional lambda where the Intent is the receiver so you can edit it (e.g. adding flags) before the activity is started with it.

The startActivity extension function for Context is designed for implicit intents. It expects the Intent action as first parameter, and takes an optional lambda to edit the intent further, like start.

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implementation("com.louiscad.splitties:splitties-activities:\$splitties_version")

Agenda



We'll have a look at some examples in practice in **Donation** in the next section



References

Sources: https://github.com/LouisCAD/Splitties



