

CS194A



Android Programming Workshop

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- Intents review
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Week#

Assignment 2- My Maps

- RecyclerView
- Google Maps integration
- Activities and intents



My Maps app

- Project due Sunday, May 10, 11:59pm
- Partner feedback due Wednesday, May 13, 4:30pm
- Submission through Canvas!

Mid-quarter feedback (anonymous)

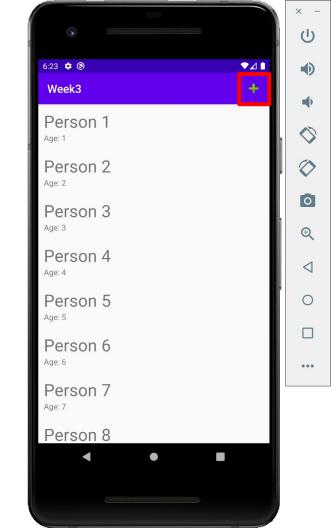
- https://forms.gle/qYuoFKa7Pb3MQ8a18
- Should only take a few minutes

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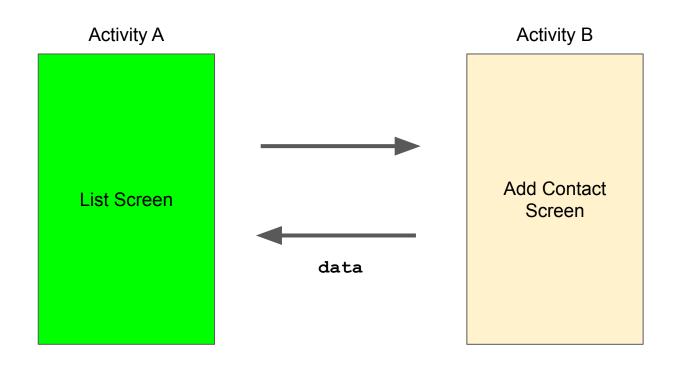
What is an intent?

Types of Intents

- Explicit intent: launch other activities in your app
 - val myIntent = Intent(this, ActivityName::class.java)
 - o startActivity(myIntent)
- Implicit intent: request to perform an action based on a desired action
 - val browserIntent = Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW, Uri.parse("url.com"))
 - o startActivity(browserIntent)
 - Common implicit intents: start a phone call, take a picture, open the browser/maps



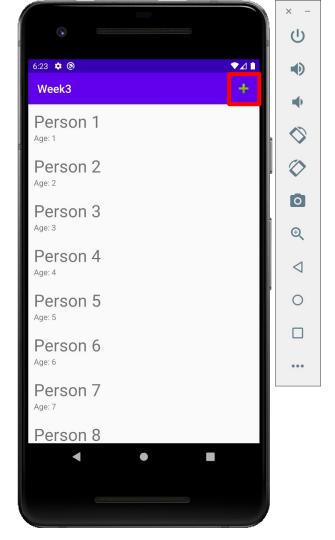
Returning data to the parent



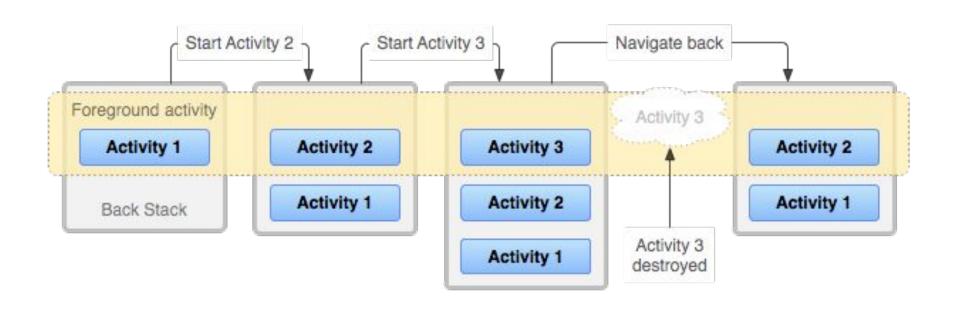
Getting a result back from a launched activity

- Sometimes you'll want to get data from the launched activity, e.g.
 - MainActivity launched AddContactActivity: adding a contact to the list
 - Intent to take a picture
- Call startActivityForResult rather than startActivity.
 - Pass a request code along with the intent
 - Returns immediately, but the Android system will call another method...
- onActivityResult is called when the second activity is done
 - Second activity should call setResult and finish to communicate back

Code with me!



Activity back stack- like a stack of plates



Nullability in Kotlin

Java

```
String name = null;
int length = name.length();  // runtime crash
if (name != null) {
  int length = name.length();  // ok
}
```

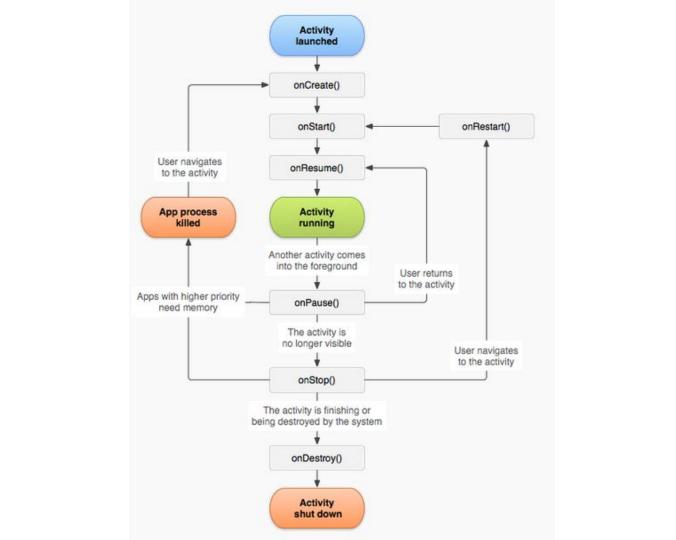
Kotlin

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Activity can be in a number of states

States:

- Resumed: activity is in foreground
- Paused: activity is partially obscured by another activity. Activity cannot receive user input or execute code
- Stopped: activity is hidden/in the background. Things like member variables are maintained
- Destroyed: Resources of the activity are reclaimed by the Android system.
 E.g. back button press
- Android system will notify you when a state transition happens



Prep for next week

• Finish My Maps

Submit peer feedback through Canvas