List-Based Widgets: Lists, Grids, and Scroll Views

GUI Design for Selection Making

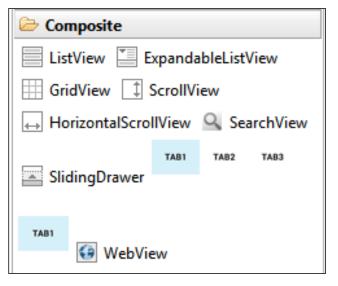
 RadioButtons and CheckButtons are widgets suitable for selecting options offered by a *small* set of choices. They are intuitive and uncomplicated; however they occupy a permanent space

on the GUI (which is not a problem when only a few of them are shown)



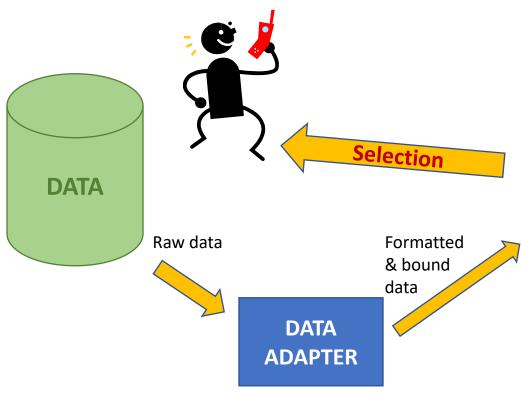
- When the set of values to choose from is large, other Android List-Based
 Widgets are more appropriate.
- Example of List-Based Widgets include:
 - ListViews,
 - Spinner,
 - GridView
 - Image Gallery
 - ScrollViews, etc.







Showing a large set of choices on the GUI



- The Android *DataAdapter* class is used to feed a collection of data items to a *List-Based Widget*.
- The Adapter 's raw data may come from a variety of sources, such as small arrays as well as large databases.



Destination layout Holding a **ListView**



ListViews

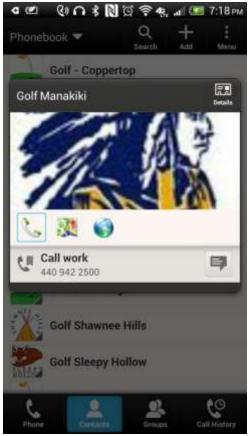
The Android **ListView** widget is the most common element used to display data supplied by a **data adapter**.

ListViews are scrollable, each item from the base data set can be shown in an individual row.

Users can tap on a row to make a selection.

A row could display one or more lines of text as well as images.





Destination layout Holding a **ListView**

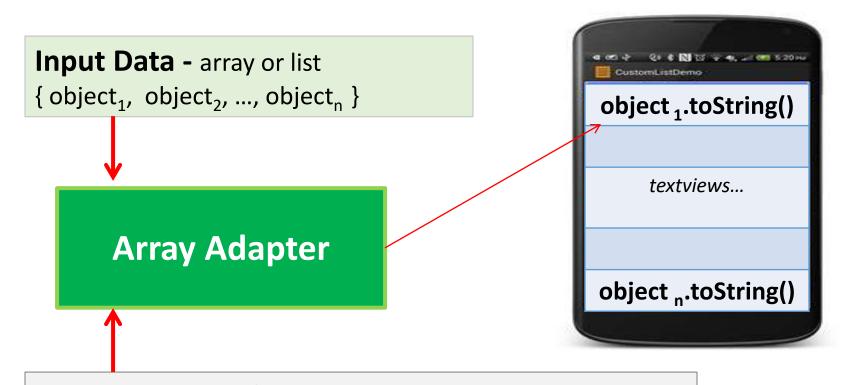


ArrayAdapter (A Data Beautifier)

- An ArrayAdapter<T> accepts for input an array (or ArrayList) of objects of some arbitrary type T.
- The adapter works on each object by (a) applying its toString() method, and (b) moving its formatted output string to a TextView.
- The formatting operation is guided by a user supplied XML layout specification which defines the appearance of the receiving TextView.
- For ListViews showing complex arrangement of visual elements —such as text plus images- you need to provide a custom made adapter in which the getView(...) method explains how to manage the placement of each data fragment in the complex layout.



ArrayAdapter (A Data Beautifier)



Input XML Specification <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <TextView xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android" android:layout_width="match_parent" ... />



Using the ArrayAdapter < String > Class

```
val items: Array<String> = arrayOf(
    "Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3",
    "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7")
val adapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
    this,
    android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1,
    items)
```

Parameters:

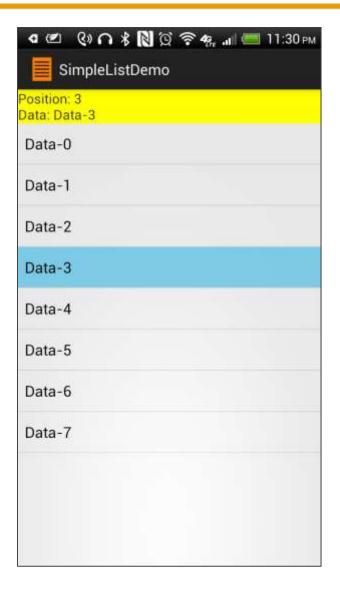
- 1. The current activity's **context (this)**
- 2. The **TextView** layout indicating how an individual row should be written (android.R.id.simple_list_item_1).
- 3. The actual data source (array or list containing items to be shown).

Example 1: ListView showing a simple list (plain text)

Assume a large collection of input data items is held in a **string** array.

Each row of the ListView must show a line of text taken from the array.

In our example, when the user makes a selection, you must display on a TextView the selected item and its position in the list.





Example 1: Layout

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
   xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:orientation="vertical" >
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsq"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:background="#fffff00"
        android:text="Using ListViews..."
        android:textSize="16sp" />
    <ListView
        android:id="@+id/my list"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="match parent" >
    </ListView>
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 1: MainActivity

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
   override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
       val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
       val items: Array<String> = arrayOf("Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3",
            "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7")
       val adapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
            this,
            android.R.layout.simple list item 1,
            items)
       val listView: ListView = findViewById(R.id.my list)
       listView.adapter = adapter
       listView.setOnItemClickListener { adapterView, view, i, l -> txtMsg.text =
"Position: $i\nData: ${items[i]}"}
```

When dataset is changed

Using **notifyDatasetChanged()** method of adapter to refresh the list, when:

- Data is updated
- Items are removed
- Items are added



Example1: Custom ListView

You may want to modify the ListView control to use your **own** GUI design. For instance, you may replace **android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1** with **R.layout.my_custom_text**.

Where my_custom_text is the Layout specification listed below (held in the res/layout folder). It defines how each row is to be shown.

```
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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<TextView
                                                                 SimpleListDemo
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
                                                              Position: 1 Data-1
    android:layout width="match parent"
                                                                  Data-0
    android:layout height="wrap content"
    android:layout_margin="2dp"
                                                                  Data-1
    android:paddingTop="5dp"
    android:padding="5dp"
                                                                  Data-2
    android:textColor="#ffff0000"
                                                                  Data-3
    android:background="#22ff0000"
    android:textSize="35sp" />
```



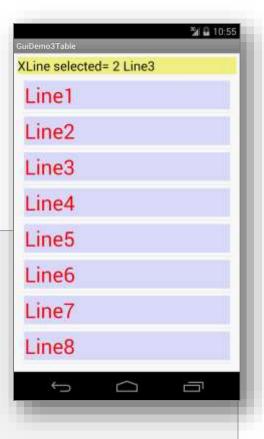
Example 1: Custom ListView

You may also create the ArrayAdapter with more parameters. For instance, the following statement:

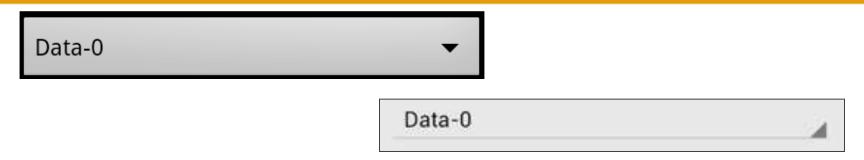
```
val adapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
    this,
    R.layout.item_view,
    R.id.text_item,
    items)
```

Defines a custom *list* and *textview* layout to show the contents of the data array.

```
<!- item_view -->
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    android:padding="6dp" >
    <TextView
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:background="#220000ff"
        android:padding="1dp"
        android:textColor="#ffff0000"
        android:textSize="35sp" />
</LinearLayout>
```



The Spinner Widget



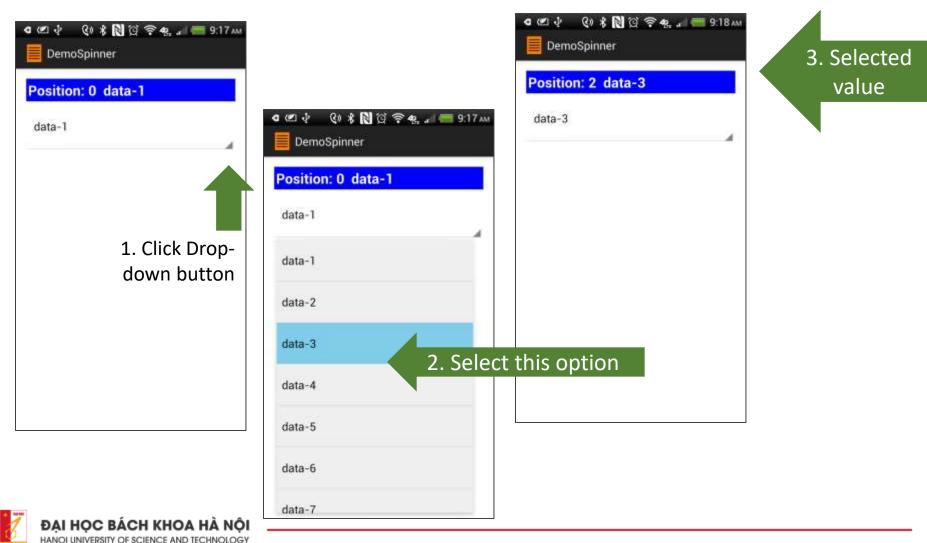
- Android's Spinner is equivalent to a drop-down selector.
- Spinners have the same functionality of a ListView but take less screen space.
- An Adapter is used to supply its data using adapter
- A listener captures selections made from the list with setOnItemSelectedListener.





Example 2: Using the Spinner Widget

A list of options named 'Data-0', 'Data-1', 'Data-2' and so on, should be displayed when the user taps on the 'down-arrow' portion of the spinner.



Example 2: Layout

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:orientation="vertical"
                                                        SpinnerDemo
    android:padding="3dp"
    tools:context=".MainActivity" >
                                                      pinner selection.
                                                      Item 1
    <TextView
                                                      Sub Item 1
        android:id="@+id/txtMsg"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:background="#fffff00"
        android:text="Spinner selection" />
    <Spinner
        android:id="@+id/spinner1"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content" />
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 2: MainActivity

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
        val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
        val items: Array<String> = arrayOf("Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3",
            "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7")
        val arrayAdapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
            this,
            android.R.layout.simple dropdown item 1line,
            items)
        findViewById<Spinner>(R.id.spinner1).run {
            adapter = arrayAdapter
            onItemSelectedListener = object : OnItemSelectedListener {
                override fun onItemSelected(p0: AdapterView<*>?, p1: View?, p2: Int, p3: Long) {
                    txtMsg.text = items[p2]
                override fun onNothingSelected(p0: AdapterView<*>?) {
                    TODO("Not yet implemented")
```

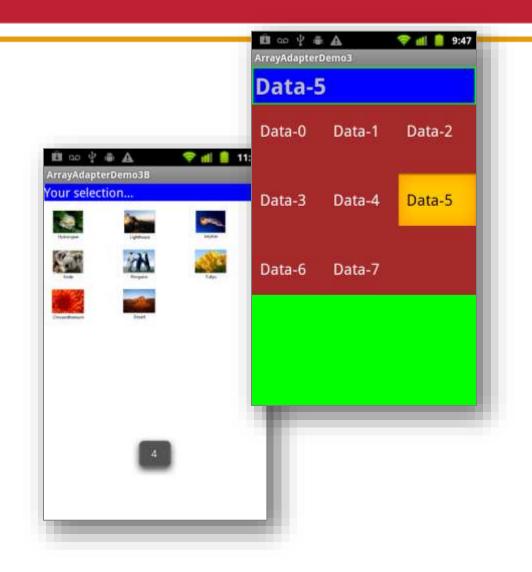
The GridView widget

GridView

GridView is a ViewGroup that displays items in a two-dimensional, scrollable grid.

Data items shown by the grid are supplied by a data adapter.

Grid cells can show text and/or images



GridView: Useful Properties

Some properties used to determine the number of columns and their sizes:

android:numColumns

indicates how many columns to show. When used with option "auto_fit", Android determines the number of columns based on available space and the properties listed below.

- android:verticalSpacing and android:horizontalSpacing
 indicate how much free space should be set between items in the grid.
- android:columnWidth column width in dips.
- android:stretchMode

indicates how to modify image size when there is available space not taken up by columns or spacing.



GridView: Fitting the View to the Screen

Suppose the screen is **320** (dip) pixels wide, and we have

android:columnWidth set to 100dip and android:horizontalSpacing set to 5dip.

The user would see three columns taking **310** pixels (three columns of 100 pixels and two separators of 5 pixels).

With android:stretchMode set to columnWidth, the three columns will each expand by 3-4 pixels to use up the remaining 10 pixels.

With **android:stretchMode** set to *spacingWidth*, the two internal whitespaces will each grow by 5 pixels to consume the remaining 10 pixels.



Example 3: GridView Demo - Layout

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/LinearLayout1"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:orientation="vertical"
                                                                      GridView1
    android:padding="2dp"
    tools:context=".MainActivity" >
                                                                  Data-4
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsq"
                                                                                Data-1
                                                                   Data-0
                                                                                            Data-2
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
                                                                                            Data-5
                                                                   Data-3
                                                                                Data-4
        android:background="#ff0000ff"
        android:textSize="24sp"
                                                                   Data-6
                                                                                Data-7
        android:textStyle="bold"
        android:textColor="#fffffff"
        android:padding="2dip"
     <GridView
        android:id="@+id/grid"
        android:background="#77ffff00"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:verticalSpacing="5dip"
        android:horizontalSpacing="5dip"
        android:numColumns="auto fit"
        android:columnWidth="100dip"
        android:stretchMode="spacingWidth" />
</LinearLayout>
                                                                        1
```

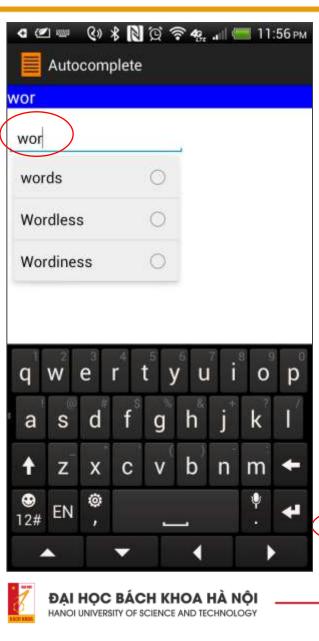
Example 3: GridView Demo - MainActivity

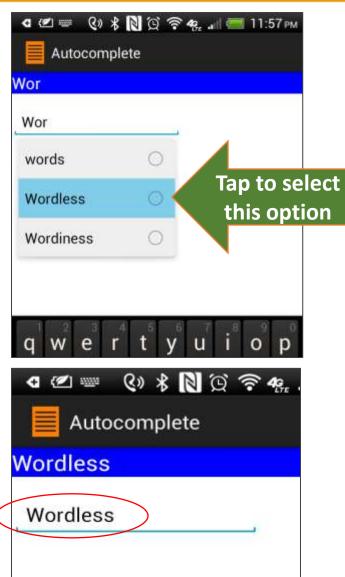
```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
        val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
        val items: Array<String> = arrayOf("Data-0", "Data-1", "Data-2", "Data-3",
            "Data-4", "Data-5", "Data-6", "Data-7")
        val arrayAdapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
           this,
            android.R.layout.simple list item 1,
            items)
        findViewById<GridView>(R.id.grid).run {
            adapter = arrayAdapter
            onItemClickListener = object : OnItemClickListener {
                override fun onItemClick(p0: AdapterView<*>?, p1: View?, p2: Int, p3: Long) {
                    txtMsg.text = items[p2]
```

The AutoCompleteTextView Widget

- An AutoComplete box is a more specialized version of the EditText view.
- Characters typed so far are compared with the beginning of words held in a user-supplied list of *suggested* values.
- Suggestions matching the typed prefix are shown in a selection list.
- The user can choose from the suggestion list or complete typing the word.
- The android:completionThreshold property is used to trigger the displaying of the suggestion list. It indicates the number of characters to watch for in order to match prefixes.

The AutoCompleteTextView Widget





Example 4.

A list of selected words beginning with "wor" or "set" is being watched.

If any of these prefixes (3 letters) are entered the TextWatcher mechanism shows an option list.

Example 4: AutoComplete Demo - Layout

```
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent" >
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsq"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:textSize="20sp"
        android:textColor="#fffffff"
        android:background="#ff0000ff" >
       </TextView>
    <AutoCompleteTextView
        android:id="@+id/autoCompleteTextView1"
        android:hint="type here..."
        android:completionThreshold="3"
                                                       Wait 3 chars to work
        android:layout width="wrap content"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:layout below="@+id/txtMsq"
        android:layout marginTop="15dp"
        android:ems="10" />
</RelativeLayout>
```

Example 4: AutoComplete Demo – Main Activity

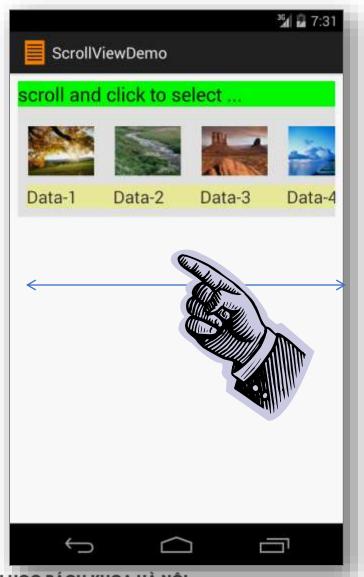
```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
        val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
        val items: Array<String> = arrayOf("words", "starting", "with", "set", "Setback", "Setline",
"Setoffs", "Setouts", "Setters", "Setting", "Settled", "Settler", "Wordless", "Wordiness", "Adios")
       val arrayAdapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(this,
            android.R.layout.simple list item 1, items)
        findViewById<AutoCompleteTextView>(R.id.edit keyword).run {
            setAdapter(arrayAdapter)
            addTextChangedListener(object : TextWatcher {
                override fun beforeTextChanged(p0: CharSequence?, p1: Int, p2: Int, p3: Int) {
                    TODO("Not yet implemented")
                override fun onTextChanged(p0: CharSequence?, p1: Int, p2: Int, p3: Int) {
                    txtMsg.text = text
                override fun afterTextChanged(p0: Editable?) {
                    TODO("Not yet implemented")
            })
}
```



Example 4: AutoComplete Demo – Main Activity

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
       val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
       val items: Array<String> = arrayOf("words", "starting", "with", "set",
            "Setback", "Setline", "Setoffs", "Setouts", "Setters", "Setting",
            "Settled", "Settler", "Wordless", "Wordiness", "Adios")
       val arrayAdapter: ArrayAdapter<String> = ArrayAdapter(
            this,
            android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1,
            items)
        findViewById<AutoCompleteTextView>(R.id.edit keyword).run {
            setAdapter(arrayAdapter)
            addTextChangedListener(onTextChanged = {text, start, count, after ->
                txtMsg.text = text})
```

The HorizontalScrollView Widget



HorizontalScrollViews allow the user to graphically select an option from a set of small images called *thumbnails* ⁺.

The user interacts with the viewer using two simple actions:

- 1. Scroll the list (left \leftrightarrow right)
- 2. Click on a thumbnail to pick the option it offers.

In our example, when the user clicks on a thumbnail the app responds by displaying a high-resolution version of the image

+. A typical thumbnail size is 100x100 pixels (or less).



Example 5: HorizontalScrollView Demo

- In this example we place a
 HorizontalScrollView
 at the top of the screen, this view will
 show a set of thumbnail options.
- The user may scroll through the images and finally tap on a particular selection.
- A better quality version of the selected picture will be displayed in an ImageView widget placed below the horizontal scroller.





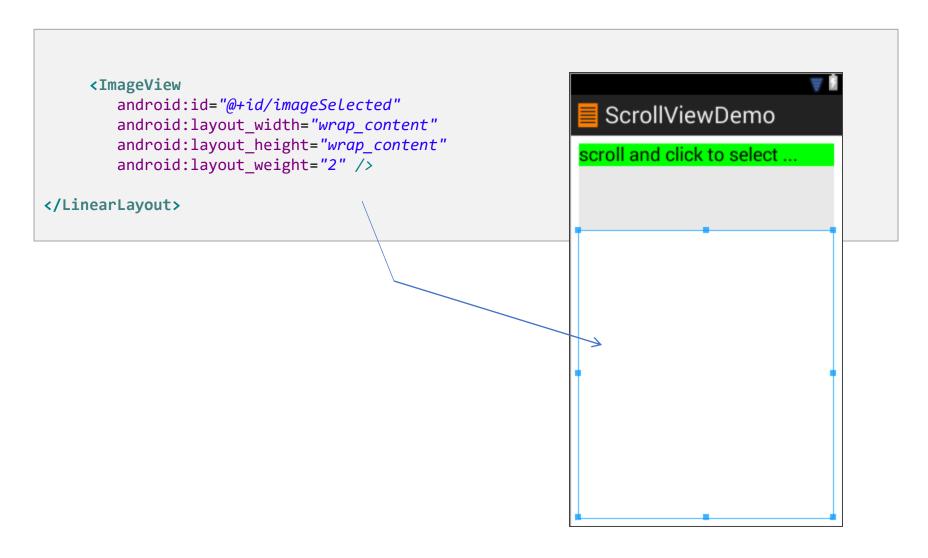
Example 5: Populating The HorizontalScrollView Widget

- Our HorizontalScrollView will expose a list of frames, each containing an icon and a caption below the icon.
- The <u>frame_icon_caption.xml</u> layout describes the formatting of icon and its caption. This layout will be **inflated** in order to create run-time GUI objects.
- 3. After the current *frame* is filled with data, it will be added to the growing set of views hosted by the *scrollViewgroup* container (scrollViewgroup is nested inside the horizontal scroller).
- 4. Each *frame* will receive an **ID** (its current position in the scrollViewgroup) as well as an individual **onClick** listener.

Example 5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - Layout 1 of 2

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
    android:background="#fffffff"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    android:padding="2dp" >
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsq"
        android:layout width="match parent"
                                                                              ScrollViewDemo
        android:layout_height="wrap content"
        android:background="#ff00ff00"
                                                                           scroll and click to select ...
        android:text="scroll and click to select ..."
        android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceLarge" />
    <HorizontalScrollView</pre>
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap_content"
        android:background="#44aaaaaa" >
        <LinearLayout</pre>
            android:id="@+id/viewgroup"
            android:layout width="wrap content"
            android:layout height="wrap content"
            android:orientation="horizontal"
            android:padding="10dip" >
        </LinearLayout>
    </HorizontalScrollView>
```

Example 5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - Layout 2 of 2



Example 5: Layout: frame_icon_caption.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<LinearLayout</pre>
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
                                                                         ScrollViewDemo
    android:orientation="vertical" >
                                                                      scroll and click to select ...
    <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/icon"
        android:layout width="80dp"
        android:layout height="80dp"
        android:paddingLeft="2dp"
        android:paddingRight="2dp"
        android:paddingTop="2dp"
        android:src="@drawable/ic launcher" />
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/caption"
        android:layout width="match parent
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:background="#55ffff00"
        android:textSize="20sp" />
</LinearLayout>
```

This layout will be used by an **inflater** to dynamically create new views.

These views will be added to the linear layout contained inside the HorizontalScrollerView.



Example 5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - MainActivity 1 of 2

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
        val txtMsg: TextView = findViewById(R.id.txtMsg)
        val viewGroup: LinearLayout = findViewById(R.id.viewgroup)
        val imageSelected: ImageView = findViewById(R.id.imageSelected)
       // Prepare arrays of data
       val captionList: ArrayList<String> = ArrayList()
        val thumbList: ArrayList<Int> = ArrayList()
        val imageList: ArrayList<Int> = ArrayList()
       for (i in 1..27) {
            captionList.add("Data-$i")
            thumbList.add(resources.getIdentifier("thumb$i", "drawable", packageName))
            imageList.add(resources.getIdentifier("wall$i", "drawable", packageName))
```

Example 5: HorizontalScrollView Demo - MainActivity 2 of 2

```
// Populate the scroll view
for (i in 0..<captionList.size) {</pre>
    val view: View = layoutInflater.inflate(R.layout.item_view, viewGroup, false)
    view.id = i
    view.findViewById<TextView>(R.id.caption).text = captionList[i]
    view.findViewById<ImageView>(R.id.icon).setImageResource(thumbList[i])
    viewGroup.addView(view)
    // Process click event
    view.setOnClickListener {
        txtMsg.text = "Selected position: ${view.id}"
        imageSelected.setImageResource(imageList[view.id])
```



Image-based GridView

Perhaps a more interesting version of the **GridView** control involves the displaying of *images* instead of *text*.

The following example illustrates how to use this control:

- 1. A screen shows an array of thumbnails.
- The programmer must provide a custom data adapter to manage the displaying of thumbnails from the data set.



Example 6: GridView Images Demo - Layout (activity_main)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:orientation="vertical"
                                                                      GridViewImages
    android:padding="3dp" >
    <TextView
                                                                   Scrool screen, tap to choose
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
                                                                    Item 1
                                                                                   Item 2
        android:background="#ff0000ff"
                                                                    Sub Item 1
                                                                                   Sub Item 2
        android:padding="3dp"
        android:text="Scrool screen, tap to choose"
                                                                    Item 3
                                                                                   Item 4
        android:textColor="#fffffff"
                                                                    Sub Item 3
                                                                                   Sub Item 4
        android:textSize="20sp" />
                                                                    Item 5
                                                                                   Item 6
    <GridView
                                                                    Sub Item 5
                                                                                   Sub Item 6
        android:id="@+id/aridview"
        android:layout width="match parent"
                                                                    Item 7
                                                                                   Item 8
        android:layout height="match parent"
                                                                    Sub Item 7
                                                                                   Sub Item 8
        android:layout margin="1dp"
        android:columnWidth="100dp"
        android:gravity="center"
                                                                                   Item 10
                                                                    Item 9
        android:horizontalSpacing="5dp"
                                                                    Sub Item 9
                                                                                   Sub Item 10
        android:numColumns="auto fit"
        android:stretchMode="columnWidth"
                                                                    Item 11
                                                                                   Item 12
        android:verticalSpacing="10dp" />
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 6: MainActivity

```
rool screen, tap to choose
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
        val thumbList = arrayListOf<Int>()
        val imageList = arrayListOf<Int>()
        // Prepare arrays of data
        for (i in 1..27) {
            thumbList.add(resources.getIdentifier("thumb$i", "drawable", packageName))
            imageList.add(resources.getIdentifier("wall$i", "drawable", packageName))
        // Setup grid view
        val gridView = findViewById<GridView>(R.id.gridview)
        gridView.adapter = MyImageAdapter(thumbList)
```



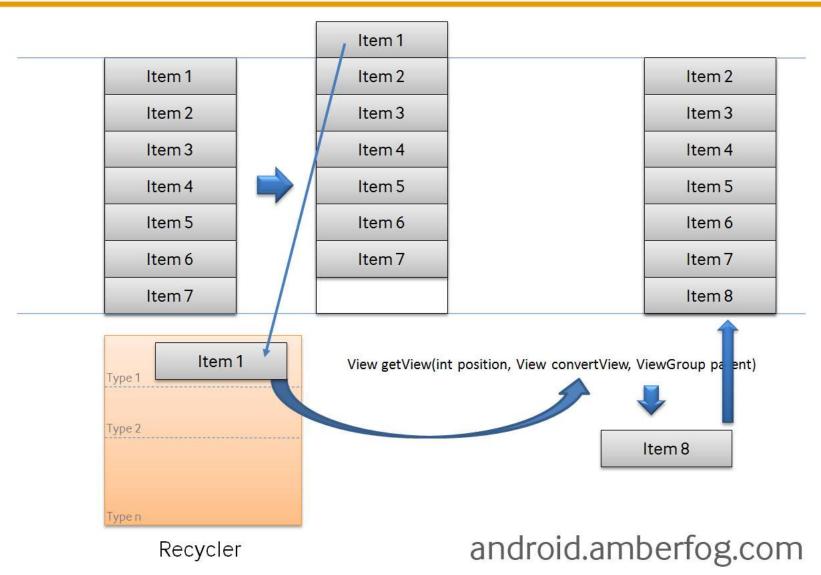
GridViewImages

Example 6: Custom Adapter - MylmageAdapter

```
class MyImageAdapter(val thumbList: ArrayList<Int>) : BaseAdapter() {
   override fun getCount(): Int = thumbList.size
   override fun getItem(p0: Int): Any = thumbList[p0]
   override fun getItemId(p0: Int): Long = p0.toLong()
   override fun getView(p0: Int, p1: View?, p2: ViewGroup?): View {
       var imageView: ImageView
        if (p1 == null) {
            imageView = ImageView(p2?.context)
            imageView.layoutParams = LayoutParams(200, 200)
            imageView.scaleType = ImageView.ScaleType.CENTER_CROP
            imageView.setPadding(5)
        } else
            imageView = p1 as ImageView
        imageView.setImageResource(thumbList[p0])
        return imageView
```



ListView's Recycler





Example 7: Defining your own ListViews

 Android provides several predefined row layouts for displaying simple lists (such as:

```
android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1,
android.R.layout.simple_list_item_2, etc).
```

- However, there are occasions in which you want a particular disposition and formatting of elements displayed in each list-row.
- In those cases, you should create your own subclass of a Data Adapter.
- The next example shows how to do that.

Example 7: Create your own DataAdapter

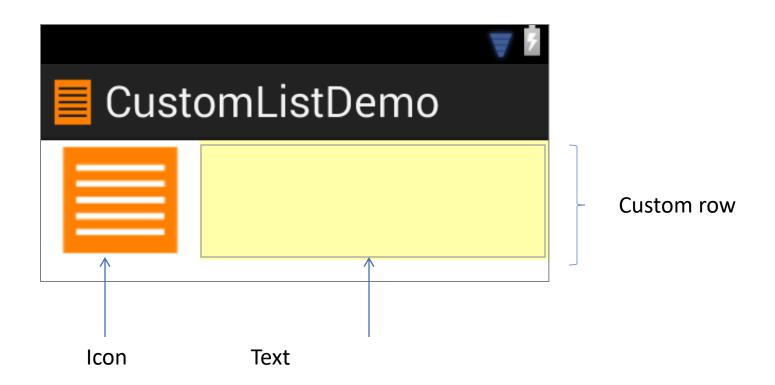
In order to customize a Data Adapter, you need to:

- 1. Create a class extending the concrete ArrayAdapter class
- 2. Override its **getView()**, and
- Construct (inflate) your rows yourself.

```
For each data
class MyCustomAdapter :BaseAdapter() {
                                                           element supplied by
    override fun getCount(): Int {
                                                           the adapter, the
        TODO("Not yet implemented")
                                                           method getView()
                                                           returns its 'visible'
   override fun getItem(p0: Int): Any {
                                                           View.
        TODO("Not yet implemented")
    override fun getItemId(p0: Int): Long {
        TODO("Not yet implemented")
    override fun getView(p0: Int, p1: View?, p2: ViewGroup?): View {
        TODO("Not yet implemented")
```

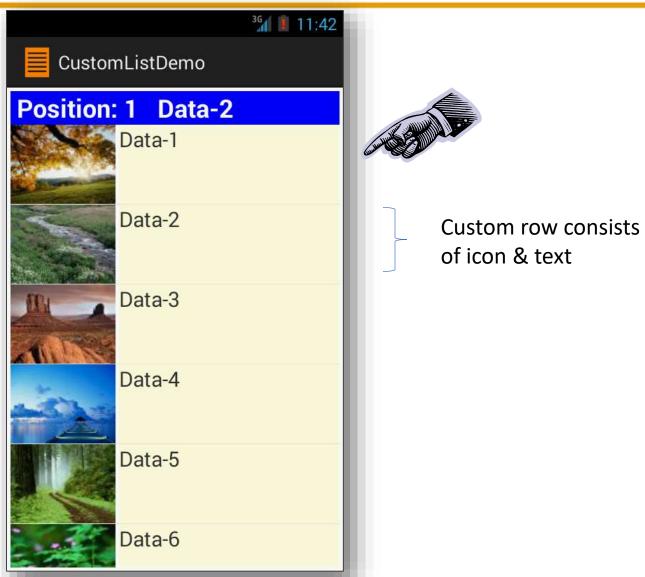
Example 7: Designing Custom-Rows

In our example each UI row will show an icon (on the left side) and text following the icon to its right side.





Example 7: Designing Custom-Rows



Example 7: Layout 1 - activity_main.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:padding="3dp"
                                                             CustomListDemo
    android:orientation="vertical" >
                                                          Your selection is ...
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/txtMsg"
                                                           Item 1
                                                           Sub Item 1
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
                                                           Item 2
        android:background="#ff0000ff"
                                                           Sub Item 2
        android:text="Your selection is ..."
                                                           Item 3
        android:textColor="#fffffff"
                                                           Sub Item 3
        android:textSize="24sp"
                                                           Item 4
        android:textStyle="bold" />
                                                           Sub Item 4
    <ListView
        android:id="@+id/ListView"
                                                           Item 5
        android:layout width="match parent"
                                                           Sub Item 5
        android:layout height="match parent" >
                                                           Item 6
    </ListView>
                                                           Sub Item 6
                                                           Item 7
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 7: Layout 2 - custom_row_icon_label.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="fill parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:orientation="horizontal" >
                                                           CustomListDemo
    <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/icon"
        android:layout_width="100dp"
        android:layout height="75dp"
        android:layout marginRight="3dp"
        android:src="@drawable/ic launcher" />
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/label"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="75dp"
        android:background="#22ffff00"
        android:textSize="20sp" />
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 7: MainAcitivity

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
   lateinit var txtMsg: TextView
   override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
       txtMsg = findViewById<TextView>(R.id.txtMsg)
       // Prepare arrays of data
       val itemList = arrayListOf<ItemModel>()
        for (i in 1..27) {
            itemList.add(ItemModel("Data $i", resources.getIdentifier("thumb$i",
"drawable", packageName)))
        val listView = findViewById<ListView>(R.id.listView)
        listView.adapter = MyCustomAdapter(itemList)
        listView.setOnItemClickListener { adapterView, view, i, 1 -> txtMsg.text =
"Position $i: ${itemList[i]}"}
```

Example 7: Custom ListView Demo - Adapter

```
data class ItemModel(val caption: String, val imageResource: Int)
```

```
class MyCustomAdapter(val items: ArrayList<ItemModel>): BaseAdapter() {
   override fun getCount(): Int = items.size
   override fun getItem(p0: Int): Any = items[p0]
   override fun getItemId(p0: Int): Long = p0.toLong()
   override fun getView(p0: Int, p1: View?, p2: ViewGroup?): View {
       val row: View =
LayoutInflater.from(p2?.context).inflate(R.layout.custom row icon label, p2,
false)
       val textView = row.findViewById<TextView>(R.id.label)
       val imageView = row.findViewById<ImageView>(R.id.icon)
       textView.text = items[p0].caption
        imageView.setImageResource(items[p0].imageResource)
        return row
```



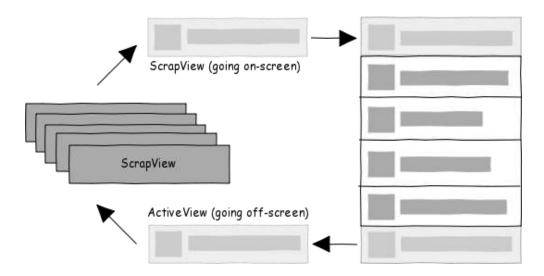
The LayoutInflater Class

- The LayoutInflater class converts an XML layout specification into an actual tree of View objects. The objects inflated by code are appended to the selected UI view. It typically works in cooperation with an ArrayAdapter.
- A basic ArrayAdapter requires three arguments: current context, layout on which output rows are shown, source data items (data to feed the rows).
 - The overridden **getView()** method inflates the row layout by custom allocating *icons* and *text* taken from data source in the user designed row.
 - Once assembled, the View (row) is returned.
 - This process is repeated for each item supplied by the ArrayAdapter.
 - Next example is a better built custom-adapter using the ViewHolder design strategy.



ViewHolder degisn pattern

The figure below is from "Performance Tips for Android's ListView" by Lucas Rocha http://lucasr.org/2012/04/05/performance-tips-for-androids-listview/ [Dec, 2014]. It shows a set of rows presented to the user inside a ListView container.



When a row gets out of sight, the memory of its layout is saved in a **scrapview** collection silently kept by the ListView.

If the row comes back to a visible state, you may reuse its scrapview skeleton instead of redoing the row from scratch.

The strategy of reusing these scrapviews is known as the **ViewHolder Design Pattern.** It cuts down on the number of times you have to inflate a row-layout and then get access to its internal widgets by calling the 'findViewById()' method.

When reusing the scrapviews (made available as 'convertView') all you need to do is move the appropriate data to the internal widgets and set their onClick listeners.

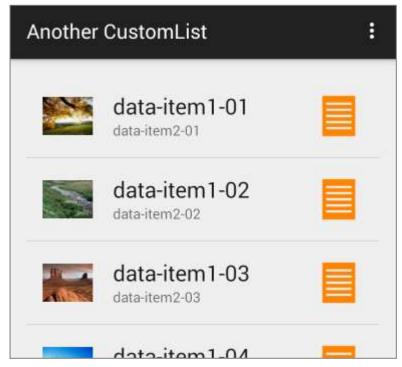


ViewHolder design pattern

In this example a list holding rows showing multiple lines of text and images, is populated with a custom made BaseAdapter that uses the **ViewHolder** strategy for better performance.

The app consists of two classes:

MainActivity and MyCustomAdapter. It has two layouts: activity_main showing the list (see image on the right) and custom_item_view describing the structure of individual rows.



Example 8: Custom List – activity_main.xml

Layout *activity_main.xml* shows a ViewList.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
    android:layout width="match parent"
    android:layout height="match parent"
    android:padding="3dp"
    android:orientation="vertical" >
    <ListView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/listView"
        android:layout width="match parent"
        android:layout height="match parent" >
    </ListView>
</LinearLayout>
```

Example 8: Custom List - custom_item_view.xml

Layout *custom_item_view.xml* shows a custom-made row holding one image, one text and one checkbox

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<androidx.constraintlayout.widget.ConstraintLayout</pre>
xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:app="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-auto"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout width="fill parent"
    android:layout height="wrap content"
    android:orientation="horizontal" >
                                                   Data
    <ImageView</pre>
        android:id="@+id/image icon"
        android:layout_width="75dp"
        android:layout_height="75dp"
        android:src="@drawable/thumb1"
        app:layout constraintStart toStartOf="parent"
        app:layout constraintTop toTopOf="parent" />
```

Example 8: Custom List - custom_item_view.xml

Layout *custom_item_view.xml* shows a custom-made row holding one image, one text and one checkbox

```
<TextView
        android:id="@+id/text label"
        android:layout width="0dp"
        android:layout height="75dp"
                                                  Data
        android:background="#22ffff00"
        android:padding="8dp"
        android:text="Data"
        android:textSize="34sp"
        app:layout_constraintEnd_toEndOf="parent"
        app:layout constraintStart toEndOf="@+id/image icon"
        app:layout constraintTop toTopOf="parent" />
    <CheckBox
        android:id="@+id/check select"
        android:layout width="wrap content"
        android:layout height="wrap content"
        android:layout weight="1"
        app:layout constraintEnd toEndOf="parent"
        app:layout constraintTop toTopOf="parent" />
</androidx.constraintlayout.widget.ConstraintLayout>
```

Example 8: Custom List - MainActivity

The main activity exposes a ListView. A custom adapter is tied to the ListView. The adapter gets a reference to a test 'database' and the custom row layout.

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
        setContentView(R.layout.activity main)
       // Prepare arrays of data
       val itemList = arrayListOf<ItemModel>()
       for (i in 1..27) {
            itemList.add(ItemModel("Data $i",
                resources.getIdentifier("thumb$i", "drawable", packageName)))
       val adapter = MyCustomAdapter(itemList)
        val listView = findViewById<ListView>(R.id.listView)
        listView.adapter = adapter
```

Example 8: Custom List - MyCustomAdapter

The **getView** method in this extended BaseAdapter inflates a supplied row layout, gets access to its internal widgets, fills them with data and set listeners on some of them.

```
class MyCustomAdapter(val items: ArrayList<ItemModel>): BaseAdapter() {
   override fun getCount(): Int = items.size
   override fun getItem(p0: Int): Any = items[p0]
   override fun getItemId(p0: Int): Long = p0.toLong()
   override fun getView(p0: Int, p1: View?, p2: ViewGroup?): View {
       var viewHolder: MyViewHolder
       var itemView: View
       if (p1 == null) {
            itemView = LayoutInflater.from(p2?.context)
                .inflate(R.layout.custom item view, p2, false)
            viewHolder = MyViewHolder()
            viewHolder.textLabel = itemView.findViewById(R.id.text Label)
            viewHolder.imageIcon = itemView.findViewById(R.id.image icon)
            viewHolder.checkSelect = itemView.findViewById(R.id.check select)
            itemView.tag = viewHolder
        } else {
            itemView = p1
           viewHolder = itemView.tag as MyViewHolder
```

Example 8: Custom List - MyCustomAdapter

The **getView** method in this extended BaseAdapter inflates a supplied row layout, gets access to its internal widgets, fills them with data and set listeners on some of them.

```
viewHolder.textLabel.text = items[p0].caption
       viewHolder.imageIcon.setImageResource(items[p0].imageResource)
       viewHolder.checkSelect.isChecked = items[p0].selected
       viewHolder.checkSelect.setOnClickListener {
            items[p0].selected = !items[p0].selected
            notifyDataSetChanged()
        return itemView
   class MyViewHolder {
        lateinit var textLabel: TextView
       lateinit var imageIcon: ImageView
       lateinit var checkSelect: CheckBox
}
```