

Android 210 - Lecture 3

Data Input, Dialogs & ListView

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Agenda

- Homework 1 Solution
- UI Basics Part 2
 - ScrollView
 - EditText, Checkbox, Toggle/Switch
 - Toasts, Popupwindows & Dialogs
 - Adapters, Spinner & ListView
- Git Version Control
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Android Stories

- [Cyanogen is heading to create "Android without Google"](#)
- [10 Material Design Android apps you should be using right now](#)

Review Homework 1 Solution

Walk through code

Review of last week

- When do we use a `LinearLayout`?
- When do we use a `RelativeLayout`?
- When do we use a `FrameLayout`?
- What is an `ImageButton`?

UI Input

- EditText: take user input data
- SeekBar: a ProgressBar with a draggable thumb
- Spinner: select from a dropdown
- Compound Buttons: choices
 - Switch
 - Check Box
 - Radio Button
 - Toggle or Switch Button

EditText - hint

EditText hint is shown in the textbox before editing the field. It is a way to replace labels for Edit Fields.

```
<EditText  
android:id="@+id/name"  
android:layout_width="match_parent"  
android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
android:hint="Name:"  
/>
```

EditText - inputType

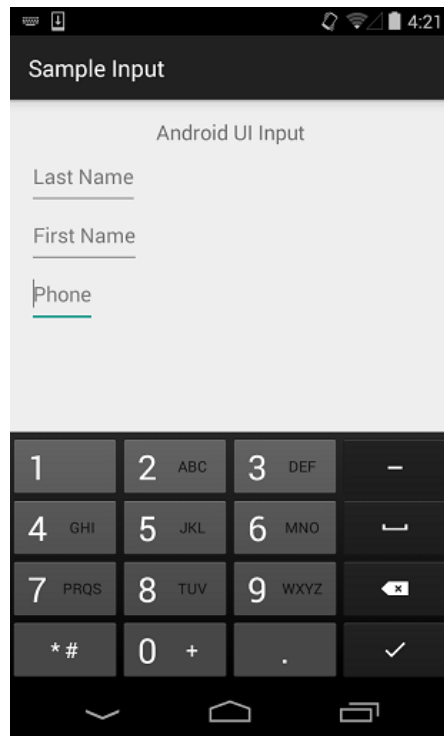
- Combinatorial value of an editable object that controls the type of input expected
- Set in XML via inputType with constants like:
 - "text"
 - "phone"
 - "textEmailAddress"
- Set in Code via EditText.setInputType() with constants like:
 - TYPE_CLASS_TEXT
 - TYPE_CLASS_PHONE
 - TYPE_TEXT_VARIATION_EMAIL_ADDRESS

EditText - Input Type in XML

`<EditText`

```
android:id="@+id/editTextPhone"  
android:layout_width="match_parent"  
android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
android:layout_alignParentTop="true"  
android:layout_centerHorizontal="true"  
android:layout_margin="10dp"  
android:hint="Enter your Phone Number"  
android:inputType="phone">
```

`</EditText>`

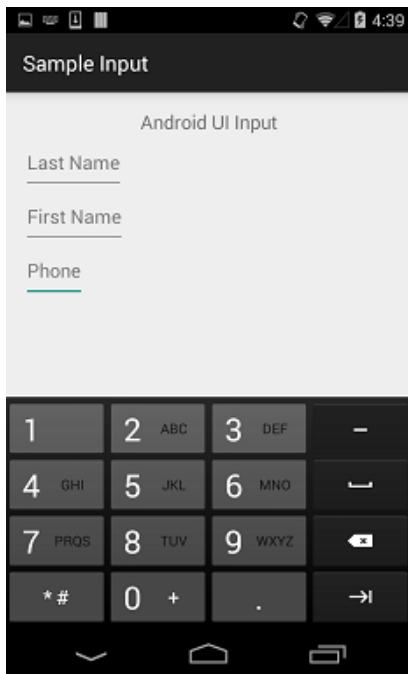


EditText - windowSoftInputMode

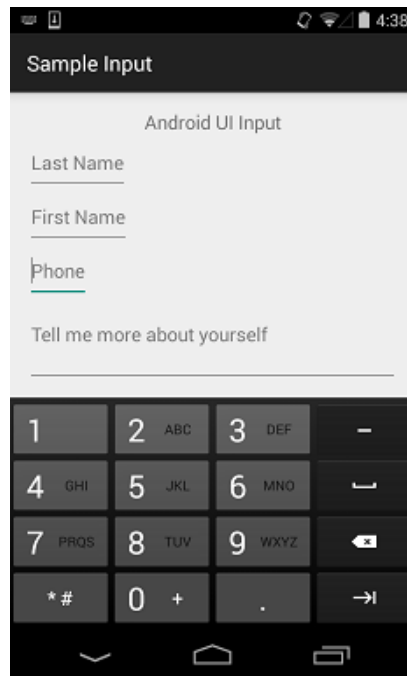
- Combinatorial value of an activity that controls display of the soft keyboard
 - stateUnspecified
 - stateUnchanged
 - stateHidden
 - stateAlwaysHidden
 - stateVisible
 - stateAlwaysVisible
 - adjustUnspecified
 - adjustResize
 - adjustPan
- Set on the Activity in AndroidManifest.xml

EditText - windowSoftInputMode

stateVisible



stateVisible|adjustResize



EditText - multiline

Make the Edit field multi-line:

android:singleLine="false"

android:lines="2"

or use this:

android:inputType="textMultiLine"

EditText - Best Practices

- Be mindful of input size – especially for localizability
- Always set the `inputType` and `windowSoftInputMode` explicitly

EditText - get input data

- Create EditText in xml:

```
EditText editText = (EditText)findViewById(R.id.  
editText1);
```

- Get user input

```
editText.getText().toString();
```

- On TextChanged...
- Validate EditText, show UI cue where there is error
- Handle saving data when screen orientation changes

EditText - save state

- Activity is destroyed when screen rotates
- Use **onSaveInstanceState()** to save data. ← called between onPause & onStop()
- Data is restored it in either
 - **onCreate()** or
 - **onRestoreInstanceState()** ← called after onStart() so no need to check if bundle is null
- Android automatically saves UI states as long as a valid id has been assigned to it
- [http://developer.android.com/reference/android/app/Activity.html#onSaveInstanceState\(android.os.Bundle\)](http://developer.android.com/reference/android/app/Activity.html#onSaveInstanceState(android.os.Bundle))

ScrollView

- To add scrolling wrap the whole layout into a scrollview

<ScrollView

xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"

android:layout_width="match_parent"

android:layout_height="match_parent" >

...

</ScrollView>

- Now you can scroll down to see the rest of the content.

Passing data to another activity

1. Sending Activity - put the data in the intent

```
Intent intent = new Intent(MainActivity.this, SecondActivity.class);  
intent.putExtra("firstname", mEditTextFirstMame.getText().toString());  
startActivity(intent);
```

2. Receiving Activity - retrieve the data from intent

```
Bundle bundle = getIntent().getExtras();  
String firstName = bundle.getString("firstname");
```

Hands-on Coding

Walk through **SampleInput.java**

*** Note: AVD modify emulator to enable keyboard if you want to type in EditText when using an emulator.

Break

Homework 2 requirements

- Data input
- Preserve data on screen rotation
- Pass data from screen 1 to 2

Input

Toasts, PopupWindows, and Dialogs

Toasts

- Simple visual notifications across the bottom of the screen that capture no user input



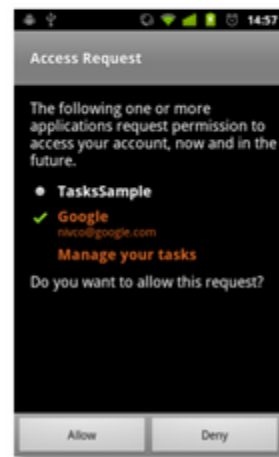
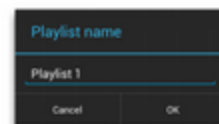
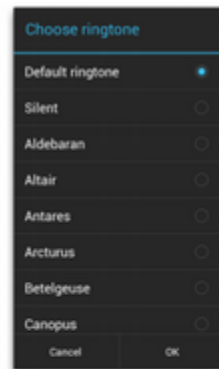
PopupWindows

- A floating window over the top of an Activity
- Used to display additional info



Dialogs

- A window over the top of an Activity that usually gathers input from or alerts a user

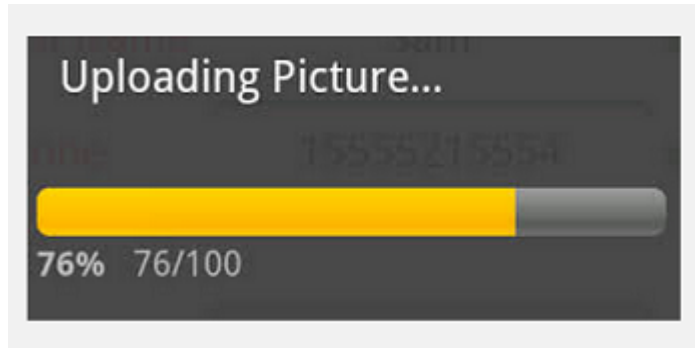


Dialog - how to create it

1. Use `AlertDialog.Builder` to set dialog properties:
 - Title
 - Message
 - Buttons & button clicks
2. Create the dialog
3. Show the dialog

ProgressBar

- Keep users informed of the progress during a long running operation (i. e. uploading an image)
- Will go over this when discussing threading and AsyncTask



Hands-on Coding

Walk through **SamplePopup.java**

Break

Data-Adapter-View

The Data-Adapter-View Pattern

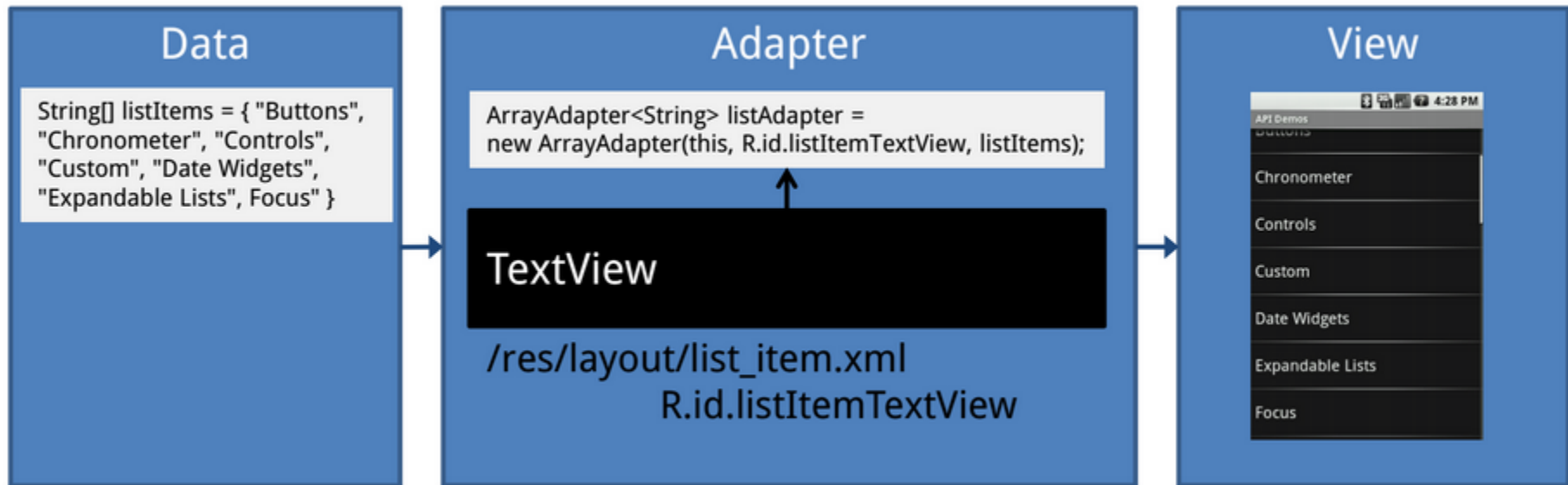
- Very similar to Model-View-Controller (MVC)
- A bridge between UI and data
- Used to fill content in Lists & Spinners, etc.

Adapter Binding

The process of associating your data or content to an AdapterView

- The Adapter is the mapping between an AdapterView and the Data that needs to be populated
- The Adapter provides access to the data items and describes the View needed to display each data item

Data-Adapter-View



Types of Adapters

- ListAdapter - Generic data wrapper for a ListView
- ArrayAdapter - Wrapper for an array of arbitrary objects
- CursorAdapter - Wrapper for data from a Cursor that must include "_id" column
- SimpleAdapter - Wrapper for static XML data
- SimpleCursorAdapter - Wrapper for mapping columns from a Cursor
- SpinnerAdapter - Wrapper for Spinner data

Changes to Data

If you are making changes to the data underneath the view, you will need to call as appropriate:

- `BaseAdapter.notifyDataSetChanged()`
 - Notifies observers that the data has been changed
- `BaseAdapter.notifyDataSetInvalidated()`
 - Notifies observers that the data is no longer valid or available

Spinner

A drop-down widget View
(pick-list)

- Backed by an Adapter



ListView

- A View that vertically scrolls a list of items
- Backed by an Adapter
 - You can find 3rd party implementations of horizontal ListViews on github, etc.

Hands-on Coding

Walk through **SampleList.java**

Git Version Control

GIT - Distributed Source Control

- Download it from here: <http://git-scm.com/>

Android Studio already has built in VCS integration

Common Commands:

- git status, git log
- git commit, git branch, git checkout, git merge
- git pull, git push

Git - create a new repo

First create a new repository on Bitbucket or gitHub

- Bitbucket - free unlimited private repo, limited to 5 users
- gitHub - free unlimited public repo

Git - add remote

GitBash in Windows, Command Line in Mac

- `mkdir /path/to/your/project` (optional step)
- `cd /path/to/your/project`, or a folder that contains multiple projects
- `git init` ← initializes git repository for the folder
- `git remote add origin https://margaretmz@bitbucket.org/margaretmz/newrepo.git`

```
Margaret@MARGARET-X1 ~/Dropbox/code/uw-android-app-dev
$ cd solutions

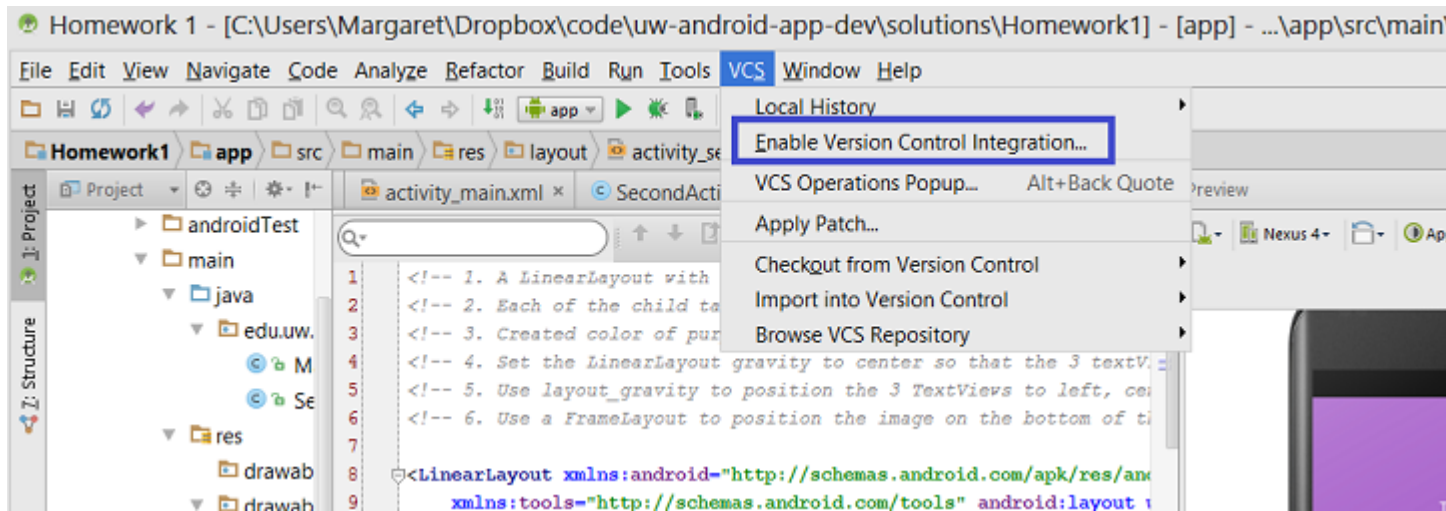
Margaret@MARGARET-X1 ~/Dropbox/code/uw-android-app-dev/solutions
$ git init
Initialized empty Git repository in c:/Users/Margaret/Dropbox/code/uw-android-app-dev/solutions/.git/

Margaret@MARGARET-X1 ~/Dropbox/code/uw-android-app-dev/solutions (master)
$ git remote add origin https://margaretmz@bitbucket.org/margaretmz/uw-android-app-dev-homework.git
```

Git - VC integration in AS

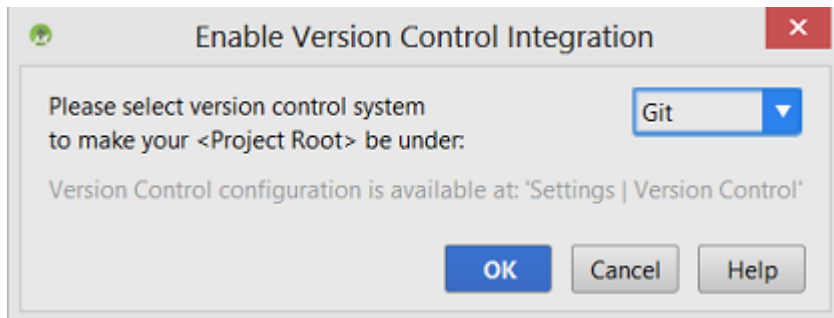
In Android Studio:

- VCS/Enable Version Control Integration



Git - VC integration in AS

- Select Git

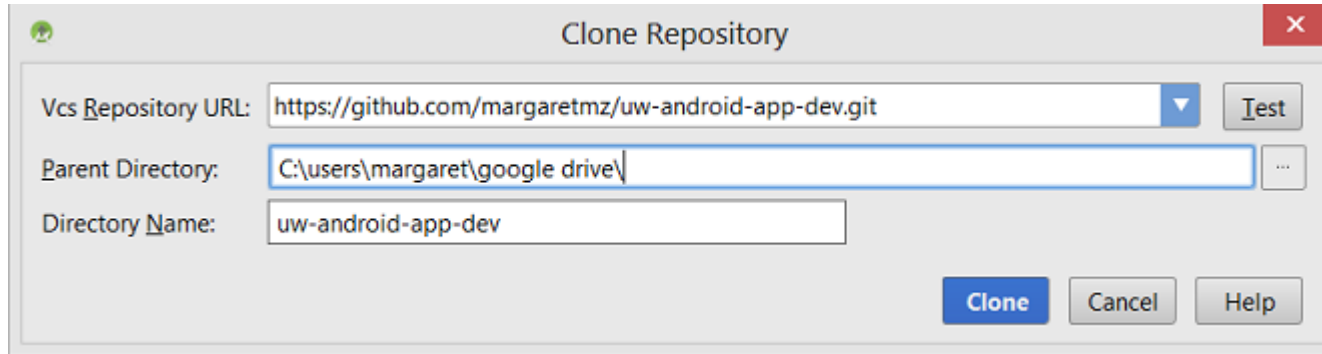


Git - commit changes

- Right click project,
Git/Add(**Ctrl+Alt+A**) ← add the project to git
- Modify **.gitignore** if needed
- Alt+9 to see changes
- Select files to commit
- Push ← make sure to select the branch

Git - clone a repository

In Android Studio,
Git/Checkout from Version Control/Git



Upcoming

- Feb 2: ActionBar & Fragment
- Feb 9: Storage
- Feb 9: Homework 2 due
- Homework 1 should be graded within 1 week