6. GUI: Widgets

Recall: Android widgets

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RadioButton	Spinner	TextView	MapView, WebView

Button

A clickable widget with a text label



key attributes:

android:clickable="bool"	set to false to disable the button
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
<pre>android:onClick="function"</pre>	function to call in activity when clicked (must be public, void, and take a View arg)
android:text=" <i>text</i> "	text to put in the button

represented by Button class in Java code

```
Button b = (Button) findViewById(R.id.theID);
```

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TextView

Displays non-editable text

key attributes:

android:id="@+id/theID"	unique ID for use in Java code
android:text="string"	text to display

```
// to change the visible text in Java code
TextView myTextView = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.theID);
myTextView.setText("text");
```

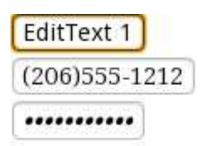
ScrollView

A container with scrollbars around another widget or container

```
protagonists of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles comics and all related media. His mask is typically portrayed as orange outside of the Mirage/Image Comics and his weapons are dual nunchucks, though he has also been portrayed using other weapons. such as a grappling hook. manriki-gusari.
```

EditText

An editable text input box



key attributes:

android:hint="text"	gray text to show before user starts to type
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
<pre>android:inputType="type"</pre>	what kind of input is being typed;
	number, phone, date, time,
android:lines="int"	number of visible lines (rows) of input
android:maxLines="int"	max lines to allow user to type in the box
android:text=" <i>text</i> "	initial text to put in box (default empty)
<pre>android:textSize="size"</pre>	size of font to use (e.g. "20dp")

 others: capitalize, digits, fontFamily, letterSpacing, lineSpacingExtra, minLines, numeric, password, phoneNumber, singleLine, textAllCaps, textColor, typeface

ImageView

Displays an image without being clickable



key attributes:

android:id="@+id/theID"	unique ID for use in Java code
android:src="@drawable/img"	image to put in the view (must correspond to an image resource)
android:tag="string"	a text tag to associate with the image
android:scaleType="type"	causes the image to grow/shrink; can be "center", "centerCrop", "fitCenter", "matri x",

// to change the visible image in Java code
ImageView myImageView = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.theID);
myImageView.setImageResource(R.drawable.filename);

Resources

- In the project directory structure:
 - res/type/name.extension
 - example: res/drawable/pikachu.png
 - (on disk: AndroidStudioProjects/ProjectName/app/src/main/res/type/name)
- Referring to a resource, in the XML:
 - @type/name
 - example: @drawable/horses
- Referring to a resource ID, in the Java code:
 - R.type.name
 - example: R.drawable.horses



ImageButton

A clickable widget with an image label



key attributes:

android:clickable="bool"	set to false to disable the button
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
android:onClick="function"	function to call in activity when clicked (must be public, void, and take a View arg)
<pre>android:src="@drawable/img"</pre>	image to put in the button
	(must correspond to an image resource)

- to set up an image resource:
 - put image file in project folder app/src/main/res/drawable
 - use @drawable/foo to refer to foo.png
 - use simple file names with only letters and numbers

CheckBox

An individual toggleable on/off switch



key attributes:

android:checked="bool"	set to true to make it initially checked
android:clickable="bool"	set to false to disable the checkbox
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
android:onClick="function"	function to call in activity when clicked (must be public, void, and take a View arg)
android:text=" <i>text</i> "	text to put next to the checkbox

In Java code:

```
CheckBox cb = (CheckBox) findViewById(R.id.theID);
cb.toggle();
cb.setChecked(true);
cb.performClick();
```

RadioButton

A toggleable on/off switch; part of a group



key attributes:

android:checked="bool"	set to true to make it initially checked
android:clickable="bool"	set to false to disable the button
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
android:onClick="function"	function to call in activity when clicked (must be public, void, and take a View arg)
android:text=" <i>text</i> "	text to put next to the button

 need to be nested inside a RadioGroup tag in XML so that only one can be selected at a time

RadioGroup example

```
<LinearLayout ...
        android:orientation="vertical"
        android:gravity="center|top">
    <RadioGroup ...
             android:orientation="horizontal">
        <RadioButton ... android:id="@+id/lions"</pre>
                           android:text="Lions"
                           android:onClick="radioClick"
        <RadioButton ... android:id="@+id/tigers"</pre>
                           android:text="Tigers"
                           android:checked="true"
                           android:onClick="radioClick" />
        <RadioButton ... android:id="@+id/bears"</pre>
                           android:text="Bears,
                                                    oh
                                                    my!"
                           android:onClick="radioClick"
    </RadioGroup>
```

</LinearLayout>



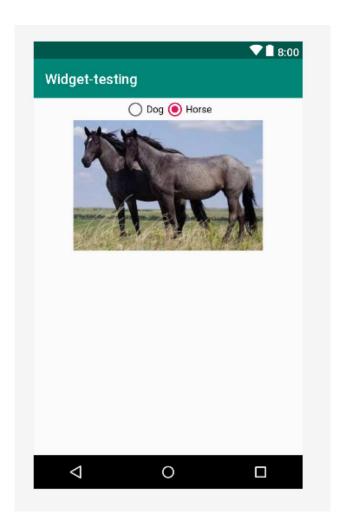
Reusing on Click handler

```
// in MainActivity.java
public class MainActivity extends Activity {
    public void radioClick(View view) {
        // check which radio button was clicked
        if (view.getId() == R.id.lions) {
            // ...
        } else if (view.getId() == R.id.tigers) {
            // ...
        } else {
          // bears ...
```



Exercise

- Using radio buttons to select between images
- Add images to res
- Create a radio group
- Use a single onclick for both buttons
- Switch between images



Spinner

A drop-down menu of selectable choices



key attributes:

android:clickable="bool"	set to false to disable the spinner
android:id="@+id/ <i>theID</i> "	unique ID for use in Java code
android:entries="@array/ <i>array</i> "	set of options to appear in spinner (must match an array in strings.xml)
android:prompt="@string/ <i>text</i> "	title text when dialog of choices pops up

- also need to handle events in Java code (see later)
 - must get the Spinner object using findViewById
 - then call its setOnItemSelectedListener method (see example)

String resources

Declare constant strings and arrays in res/values/strings.xml:

- Refer to them in Java code:
 - as a resource: R.string.name, R.array.name
 - as a string or array: getResources().getString(R.string.name),
 getResources().getStringArray(R.array.name)

Spinner example

Spinner event example

```
// in MainActivity.java
public class MainActivity extends Activity {
                                                                       Leonardo
                                                                       Michelangelo
  @Override
  protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
                                                                       Donatello
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
                                                                       Raphael
    setContentView(R.layout.activity main);
    Spinner spin = (Spinner) findViewById(R.id.tmnt);
    spin.setOnItemSelectedListener(new AdapterView.OnItemSelectedListener() {
      public void onItemSelected(AdapterView<?> spin, View v, int i, long id) {
        TextView result = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.turtle result);
        result.setText("You chose " + spin.getSelectedItem());
      }
      public void onNothingSelected(AdapterView<?> parent) {} // empty
    });
```

TMNT app exercise

- Write an app to select Disney characters from a spinner.
 - When a character is selected, an image about that character and other information is presented to the user.
 - Assume that relevant image files are already available for each character.

