



Exercise session 2

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Views - Exercise

Are you set up?

Do you have android studio installed?

Have you created and ran your first project?

If not yet, please do exercises of 0 and 1 lectures, to set up your environment

Install Android Studio and Have “Hello world” running on your phone:

<http://bit.ly/2kKruy3> && <http://bit.ly/2kNjjkr>



Let's Begin

You can always use Exercise #2 Branch as a reference! :)

<https://github.com/android-academy-minsk/fundamentals-2019-exercise/tree/ex-2-views>

And you can look back at the presentation:



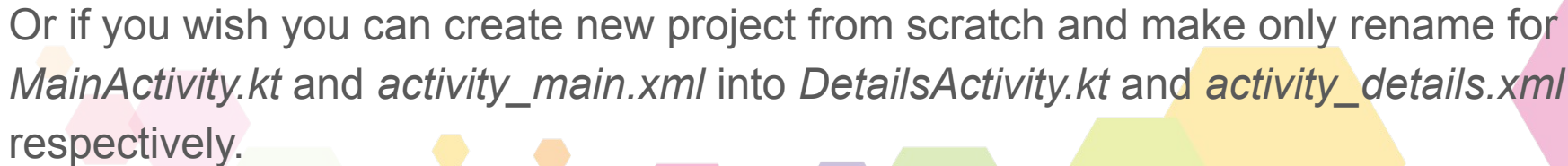
Prerequisites

Prepare project

Given you continue creating your app in the same codebase where you've finished **Exercise #1**.

You need to **delete** *SecondActivity* and all code associated with it (reference in *AndroidManifest*, *activity_second.xml* etc.) and **rename** *MainActivity.kt* into *DetailsActivity.kt* along with renaming *activity_main.xml* into *activity_details.xml*

Or if you wish you can create new project from scratch and make only rename for *MainActivity.kt* and *activity_main.xml* into *DetailsActivity.kt* and *activity_details.xml* respectively.

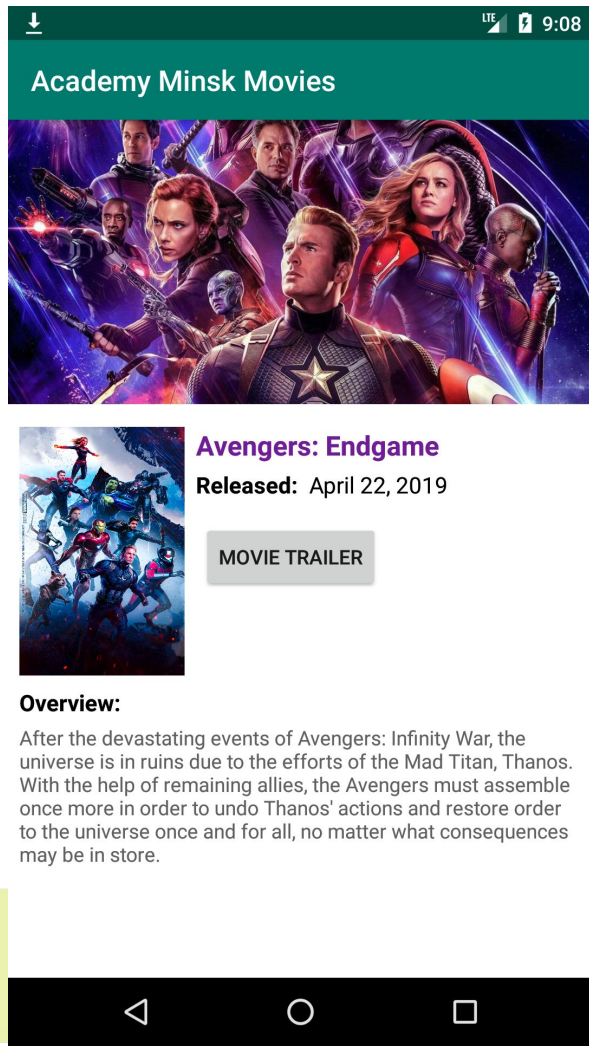
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Exercise Overview

We'll create a simple Movie detail screen.

The focus this time is on creating a complex layout using what we've learned so far.

Go to the next slide for specs...



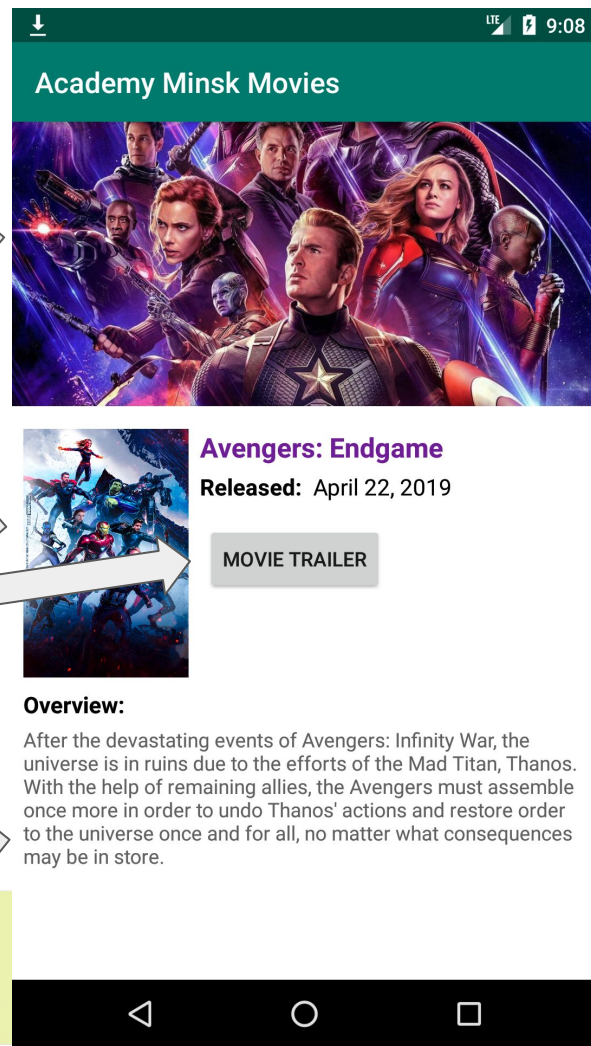
Movie details screen: specs

Large header image at the top of the screen.

Smaller Image aligned to the bottom of the header image.

Clicking on the button should launch youtube app with the app Trailer.

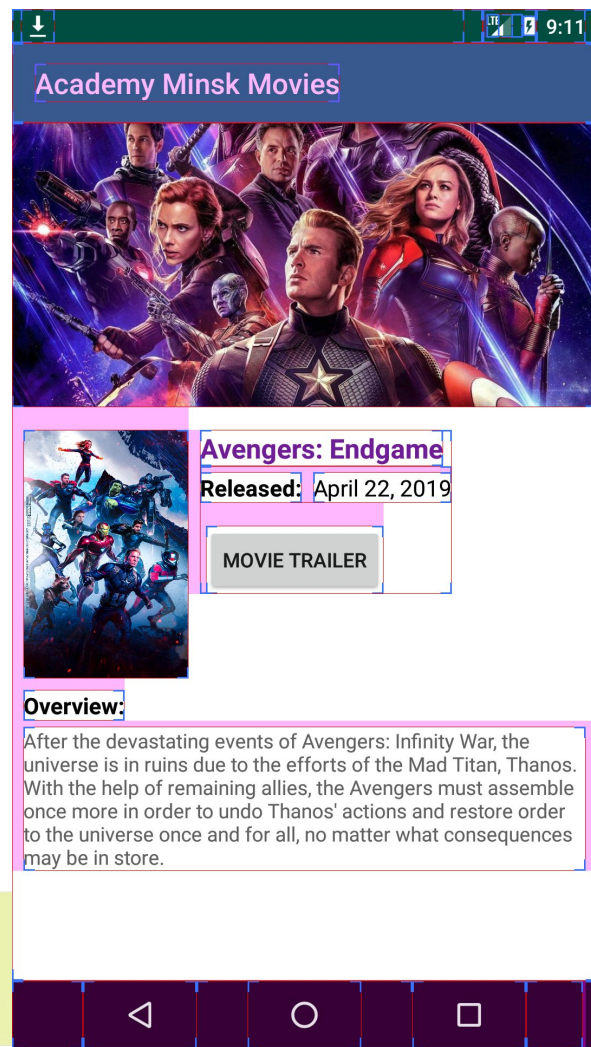
The details about the movie: Title, released date and overview.



Building the layout

Tips:

- Try and break the layout into smaller, more manageable pieces.
- Think - what are the relationships between the different Views on screen? (ex: "View1 is to the right of View2"). What are the boundaries of each View?
- Plan → code → review. Repeat as needed.
- Useful layouts:
 - [LinearLayout](#) + [Guide](#).
 - [RelativeLayout](#) + [Guide](#).
 - [ConstraintLayout](#) + [Guide](#).
- Pay attention to the different text sizes & colors.



Launching the YouTube app with a specific URL

On the lecture we used **explicit intent** to open a specific activity which we created, and we have an access to.

What happens when we want to start an activity which doesn't belong to our app?

And if we want to open any activity which does a certain type of action, i.e, all activities that can send an email, or take a photo, or call a number, or navigate.

We can use **implicit intent**. We tell what we want to happen, and Android will suggest the apps that can provide that functionality.

On our exercise, we'll use an **Implicit Intent** to launch YouTube app.

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Implicit Intent

Use this:

<https://developer.android.com/guide/components/intents-common.html>

To find out how to create an implicit intent.

and which keys to add to the intent bundle.



Resources

Infinity war:

[Main image](#) , [Background image](#) , [Trailer URL](#)

Implicit Intent docs:

<https://developer.android.com/guide/components/intents-common.html>

RelativeLayout docs:

<https://developer.android.com/reference/android/widget/RelativeLayout.html>

LinearLayout docs:

<https://developer.android.com/reference/android/widget/LinearLayout.html>

ConstraintLayout docs:

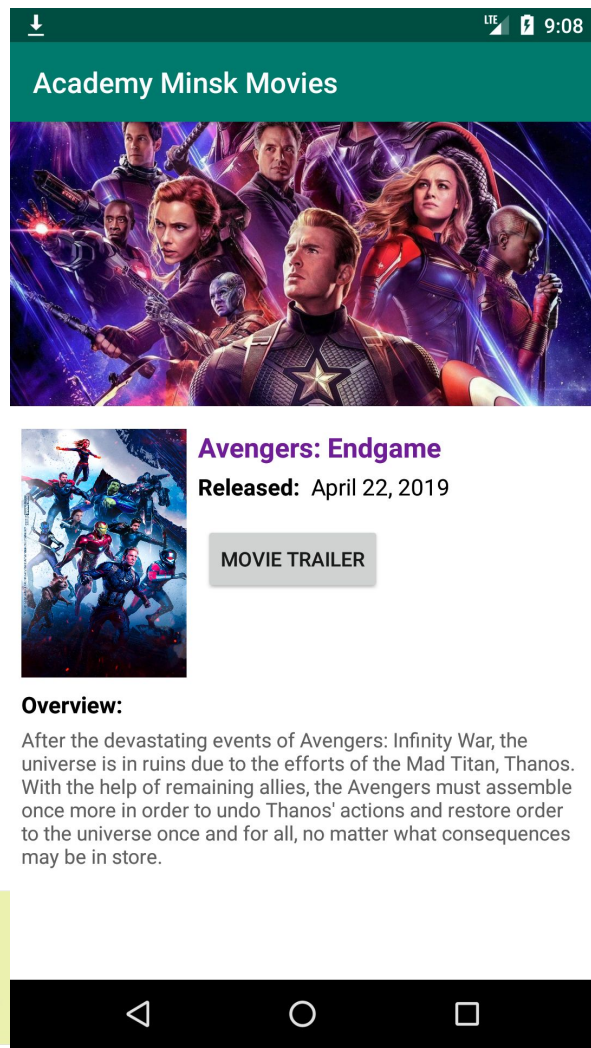
<https://developer.android.com/reference/android/support/constraint/ConstraintLayout>

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Done? Awesome.

Bonus task:

1. Add more details to the screen.
Images, fun facts etc..
2. Running out of screen real estate? **Great!**
Time to learn about and implement a [ScrollView](#).
3. Make sure your layout fits on smaller devices.



Well Done!!

You're all done with
exercise 2!

See you next time!

