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# A Practical Introduction to Developing for Android and iOS with Kotlin Multiplatform

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# About Your Instructor - Pamela

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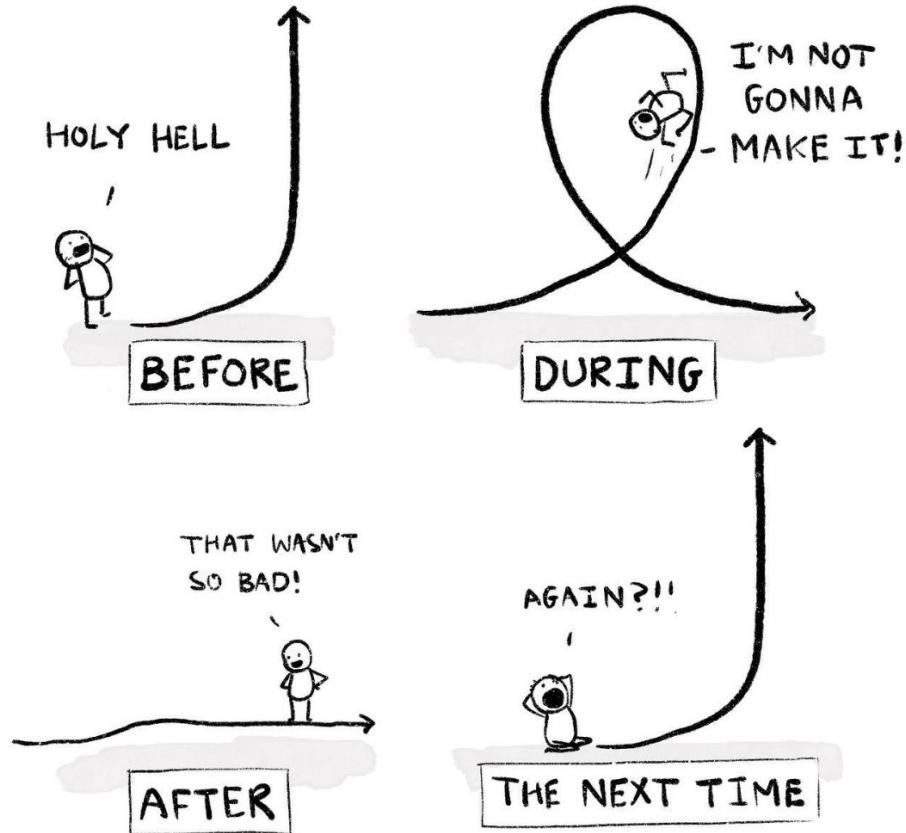
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# Agenda

- Setup verification
- Welcome and speaker introduction
- What is Kotlin Multiplatform?
- UIs with Compose Multiplatform
- Networking with Ktor, serialization with `kotlinx.serialization`
- The `expect / actual` mechanism

# HOW LEARNING CURVES FEEL...



# What is Kotlin Multiplatform?

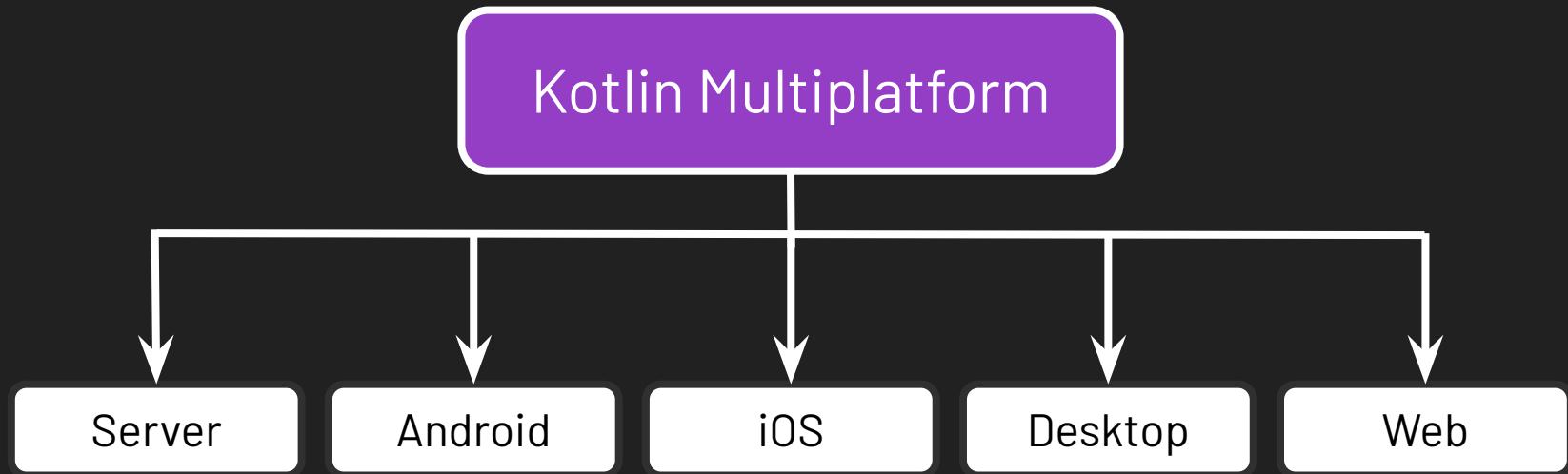
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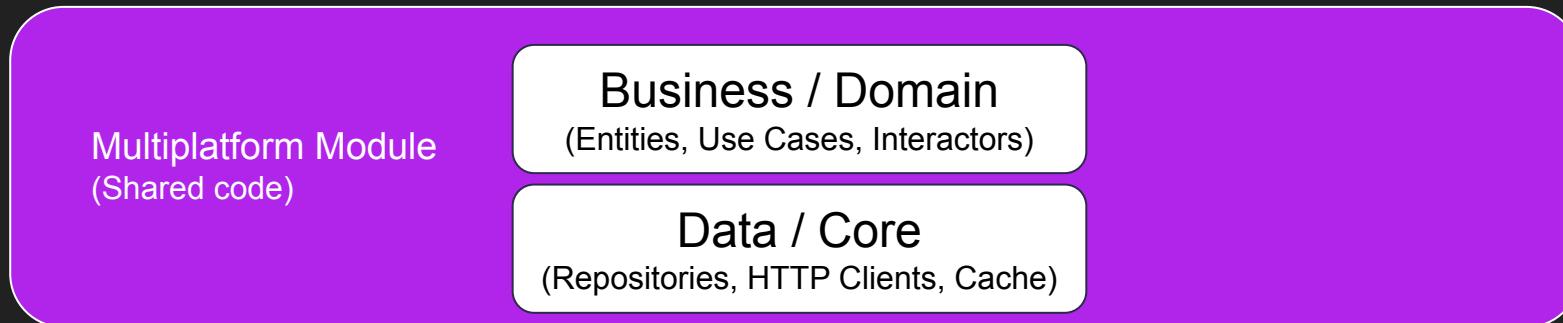
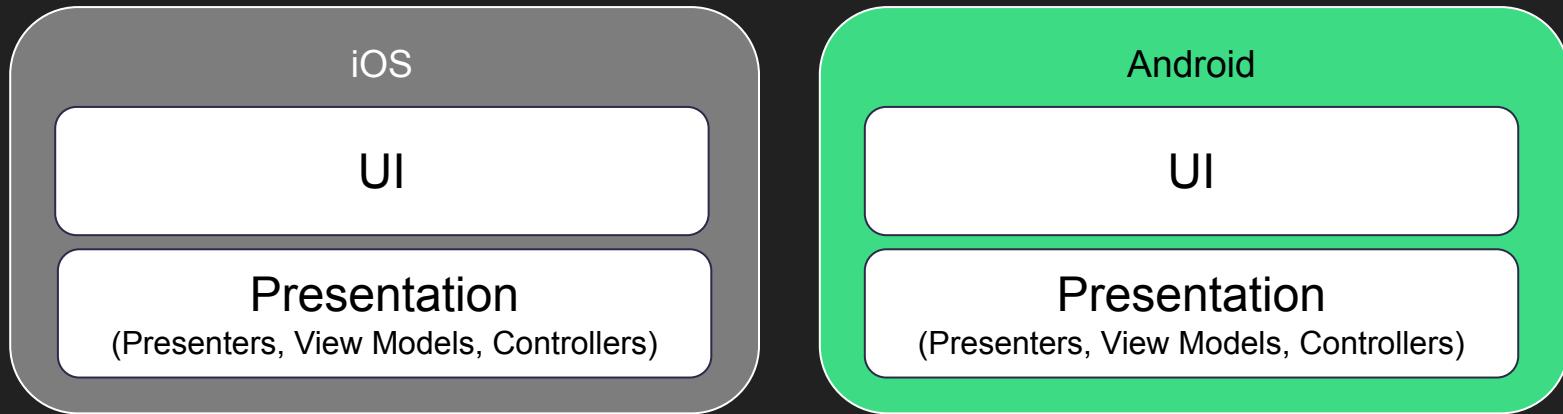
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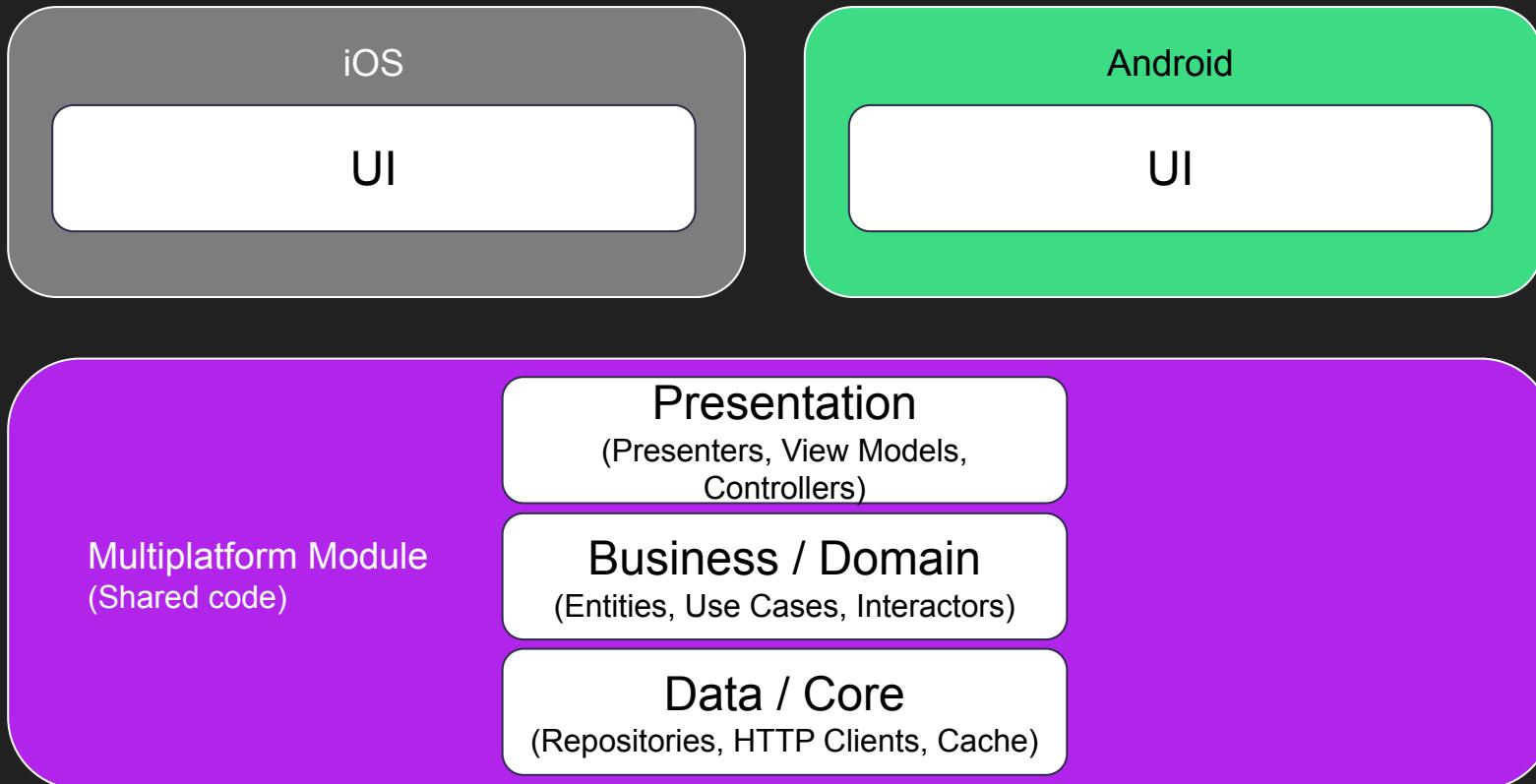
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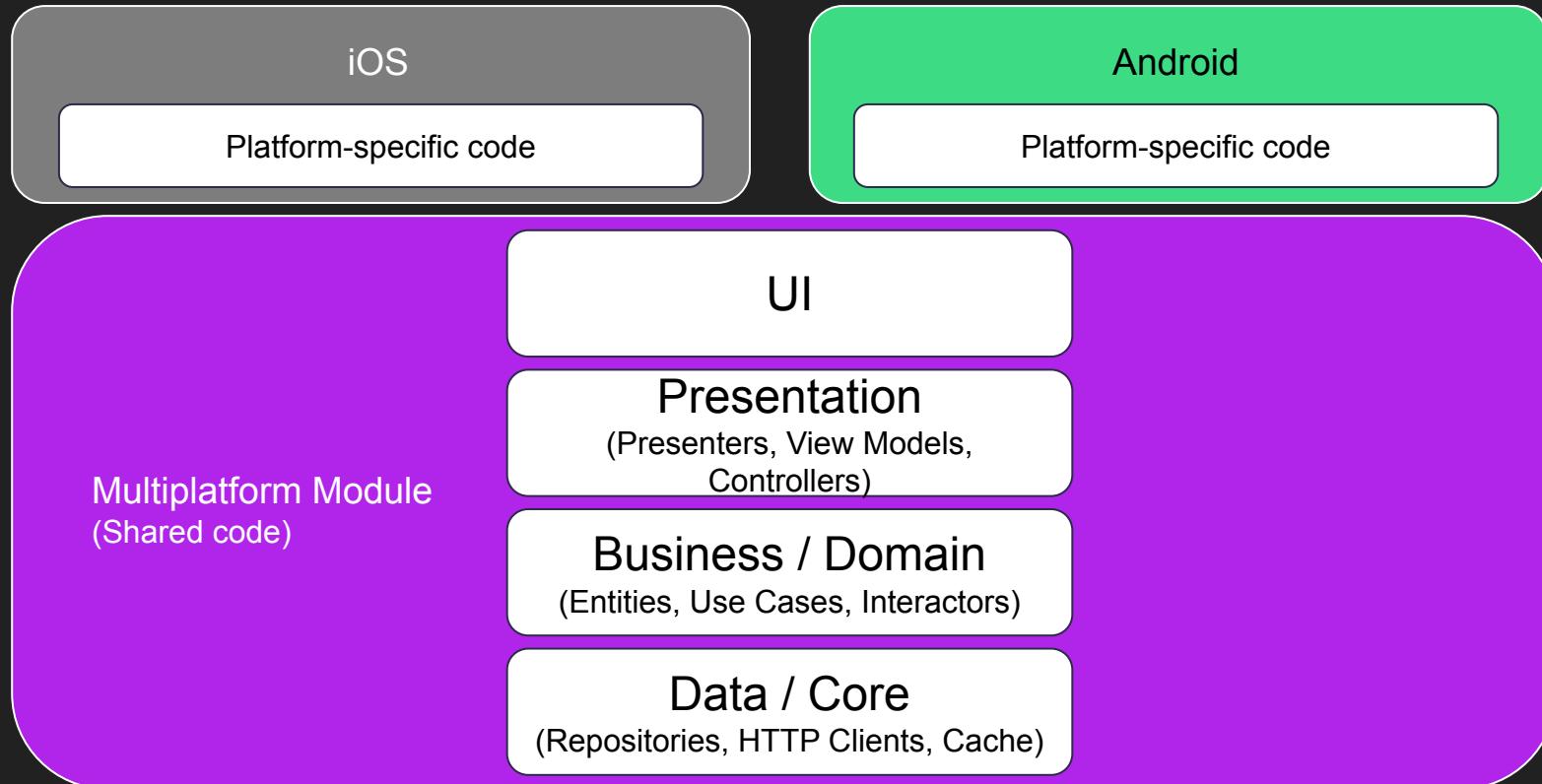
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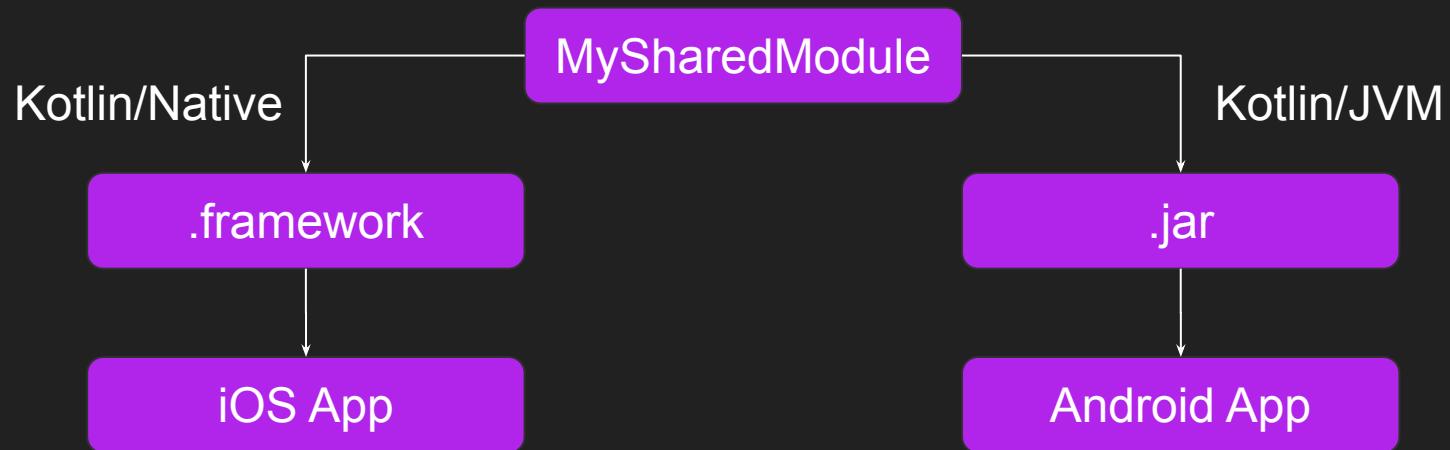
# What about ✨*Compose Multiplatform*✨?



# Kotlin Multiplatform == Sharing

- With Kotlin Multiplatform you can share what you want, eg:
  - Networking
  - Data storage & validation
  - Business logic etc.
- And write the rest natively - just as before

# How does Kotlin Multiplatform work?

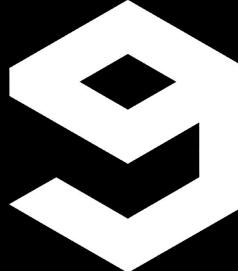


# What are the benefits of Kotlin Multiplatform?

- **Flexibility** to choose what is shared and what isn't
- Choose to share in a **new or existing** project
- Shared code lowers the **effort and cost** per feature
- Shared code ensures **consistency** amongst platforms
- Access to platform capabilities **without overhead**



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<https://www.jetbrains.com/help/kotlin-multiplatform-dev/case-studies.html>

# Demo: Using Project Wizards

# Introducing Compose Multiplatform

# The TL;DR on Compose

- Compose lets you create awesome UIs
- Compose Multiplatform is produced by **JetBrains**
- Built on Kotlin Multiplatform by **JetBrains**
- Powered by Jetpack Compose from **Google**

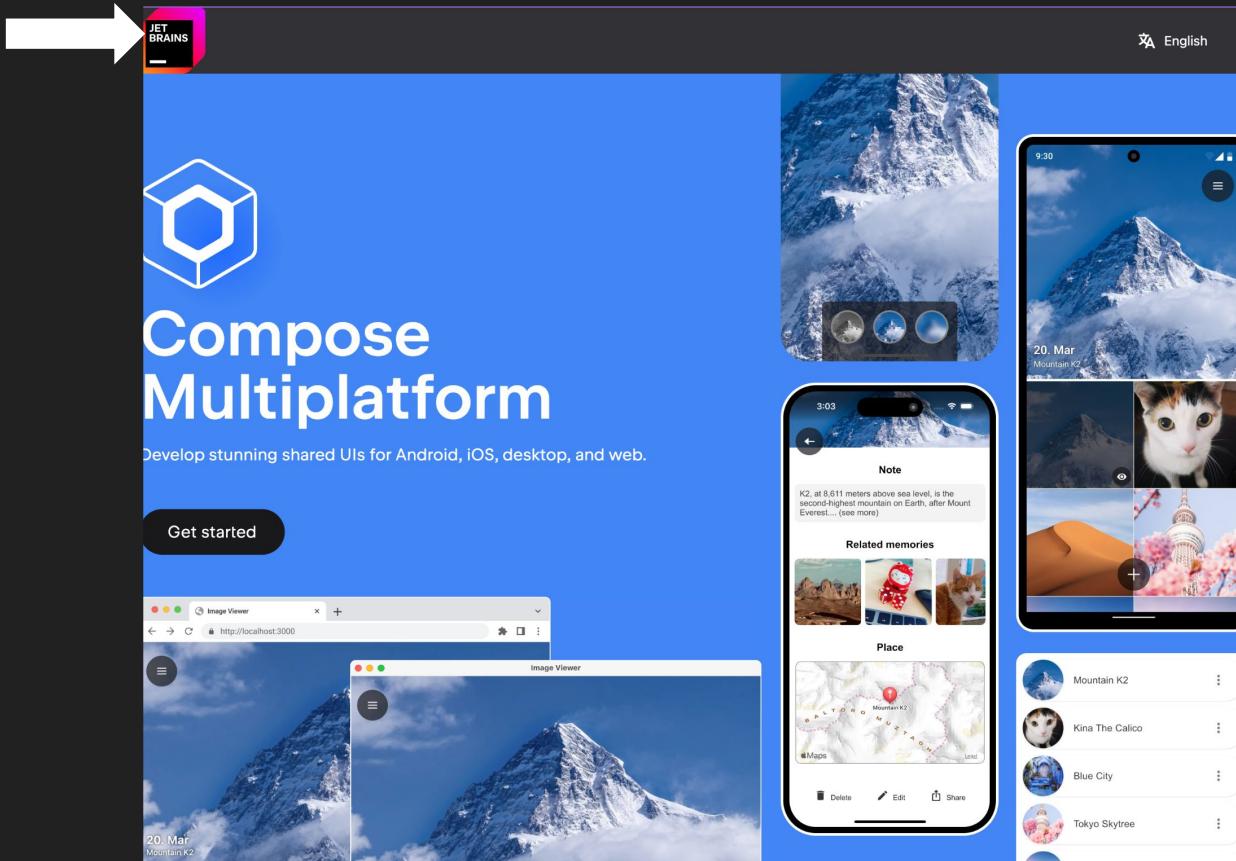
# Build better apps faster with Jetpack Compose

Jetpack Compose is Android's recommended modern toolkit for building native UI. It simplifies and accelerates UI development on Android. Quickly bring your app to life with less code, powerful tools, and intuitive Kotlin APIs.

```
@Composable
fun JetpackCompose() {
    Card {
        var expanded by remember { mutableStateOf(false) }
        Column(Modifier.clickable { expanded = !expanded }) {
            Image(painterResource(R.drawable.jetpack_compose))
            AnimatedVisibility(expanded) {
                Text(
                    text = "Jetpack Compose",
                    style = MaterialTheme.typography.bodyLarge,
                )
            }
        }
    }
}
```

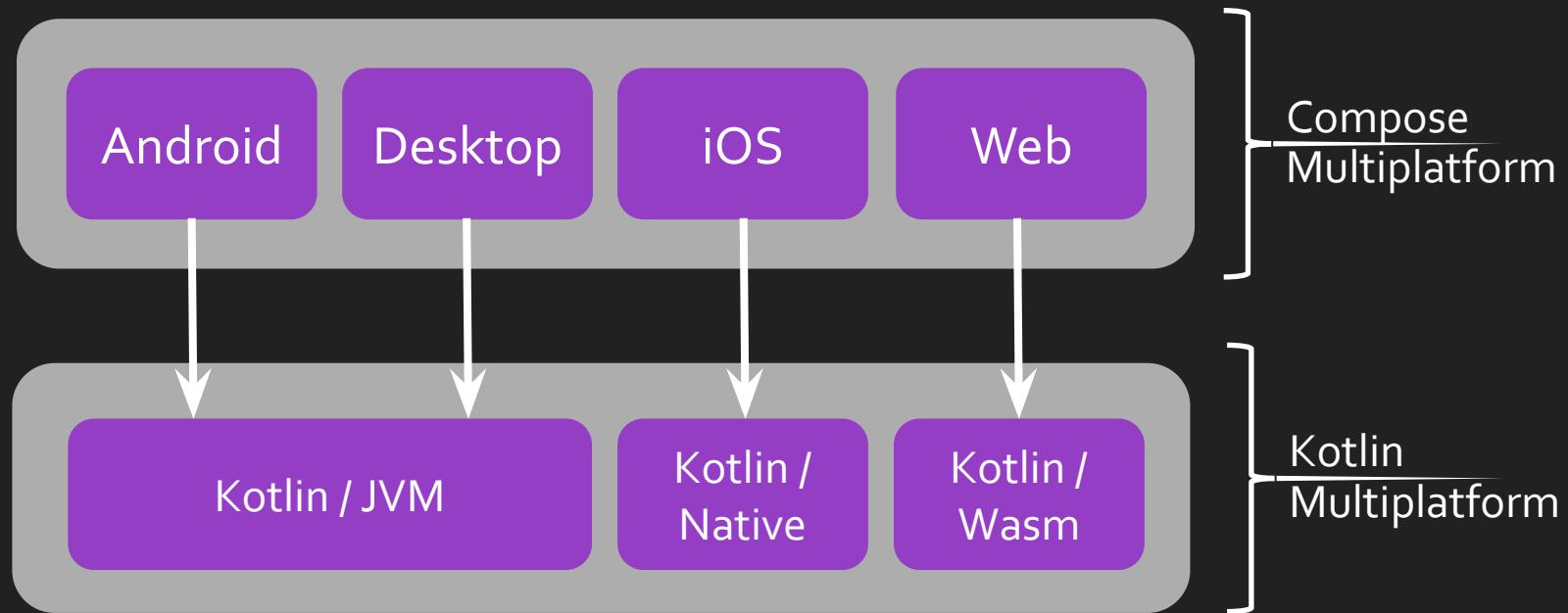


<https://developer.android.com/jetpack/compose>



<https://jb.gg/compose>

# Compose & Kotlin Multiplatform



# What is WebAssembly / Wasm?

- A binary instruction format for portable virtual machines
- Smaller and faster than JavaScript, but fully interoperable
- Write code in languages like Kotlin / Go / Rust, compile to Wasm
- Already supported in most modern browsers, Node.js

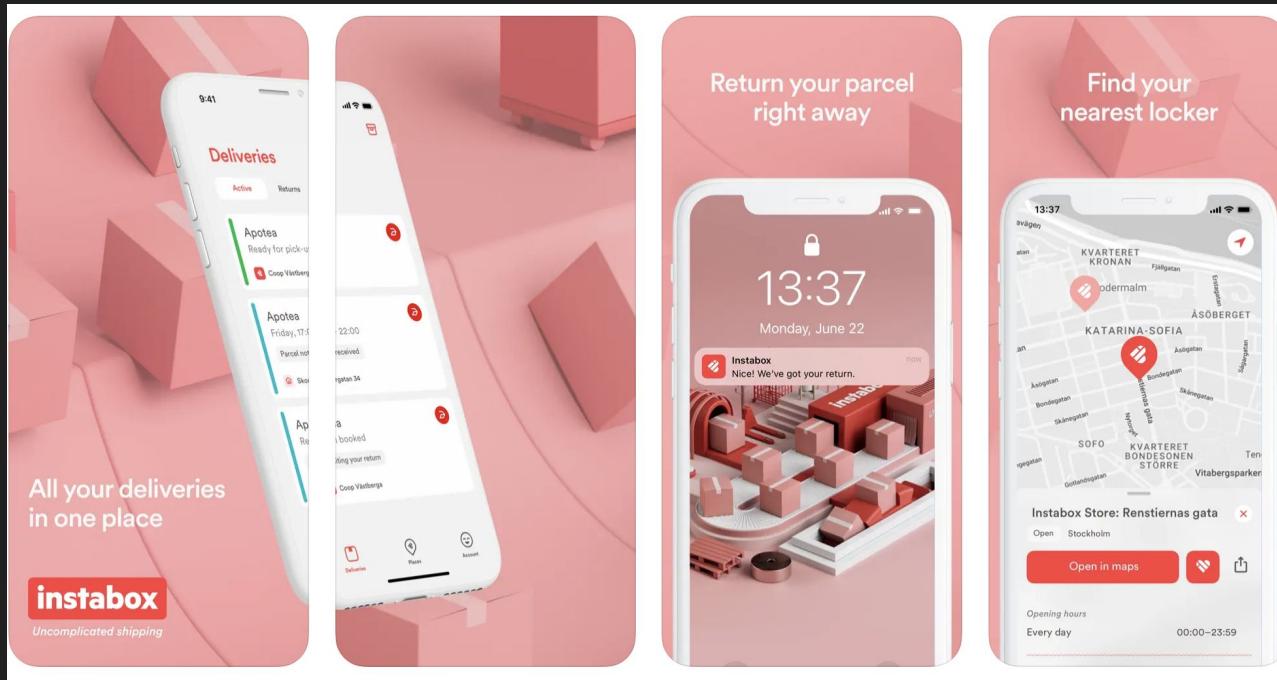
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the JetBrains website open at [jetbrains.com](https://jetbrains.com). The main content is the "Compose for Desktop" page. It features a large purple hexagonal icon on the left. To its right, the text "Compose for Desktop" is displayed in a large, bold, black sans-serif font. Below this, a paragraph reads: "Fast reactive desktop UIs for Kotlin, based on Google's [modern toolkit](#) and brought to you by JetBrains." Further down, another paragraph states: "Compose for Desktop simplifies and accelerates UI development for desktop applications, and allows extensive UI code sharing between Android and desktop applications." At the bottom left is a blue button labeled "Getting started".



The screenshot shows the JetBrains Toolbox application window. The top bar includes the JetBrains logo and navigation tabs for "Tools", "Projects", and "Services", with "Tools" being the active tab. A search bar is on the far right. The main area is titled "Installed" and lists several JetBrains tools with their icons and versions: Rider 2022.3.2, IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition 2022.3.3, PhpStorm 2022.3.3, and PyCharm Community Edition 2022.3.3. Below this section is a collapsed "Available" section which is currently empty. At the bottom of the window, there are sections for "Fleet", "Aqua", "IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate", and "Android Studio by Google", each with an "Install" button and a three-dot menu icon.

# Instabee

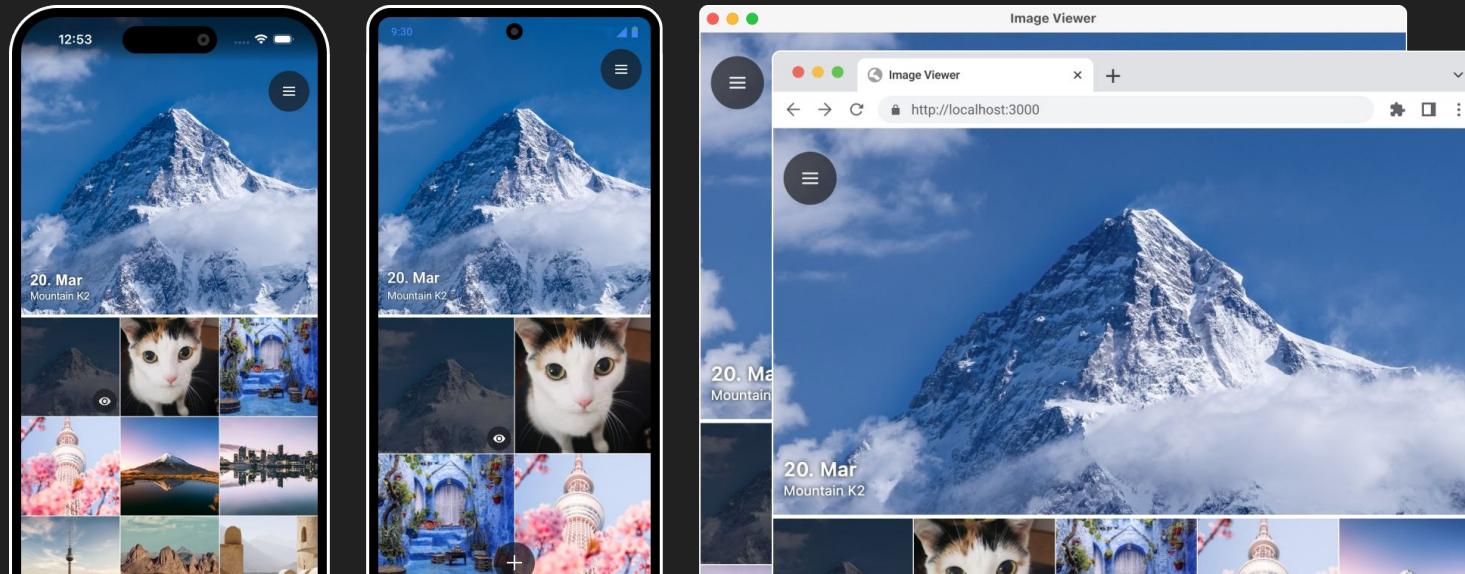
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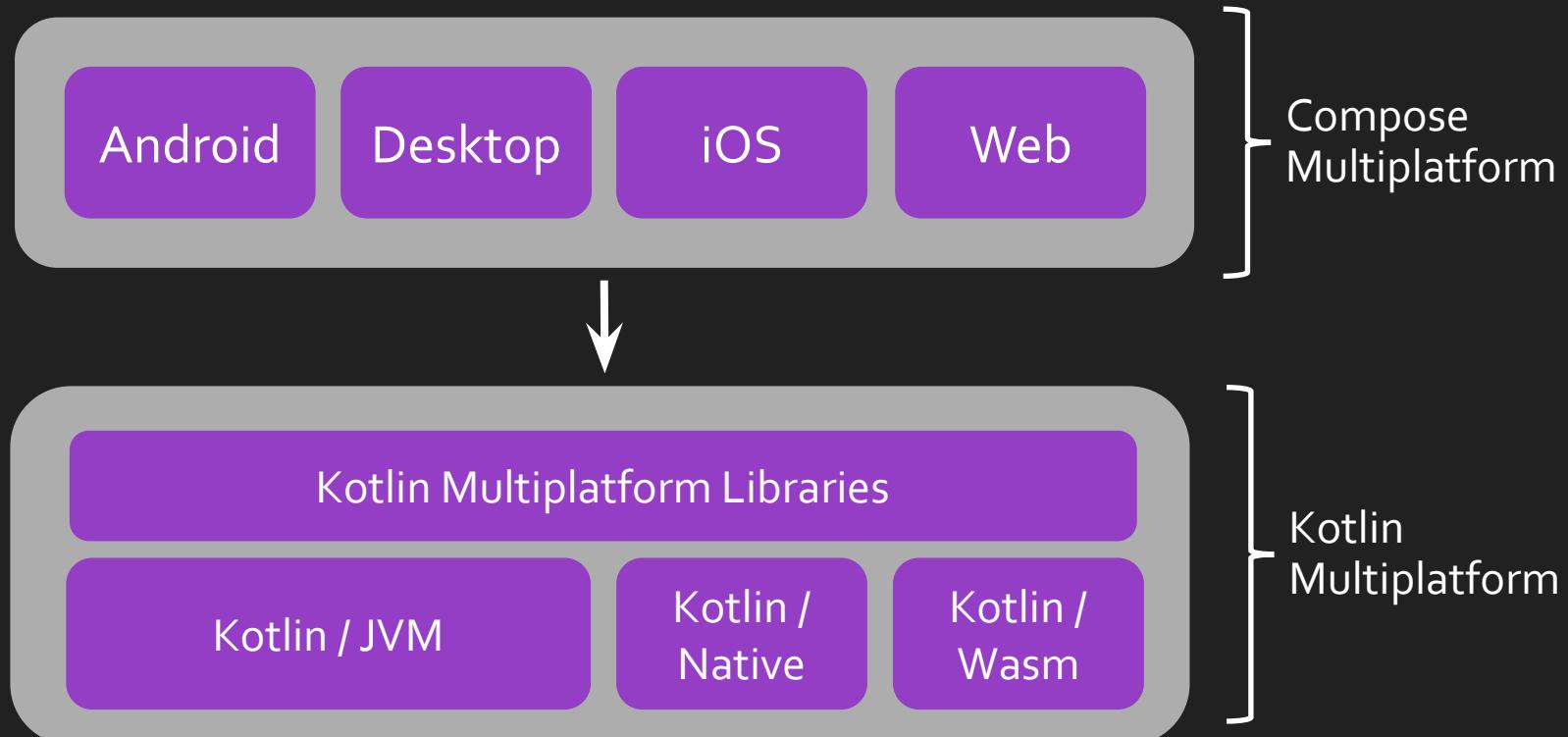
# The ImageViewer Sample Application

An example image gallery with camera and map support

Built on Compose Multiplatform (Desktop, Android and iOS)



# Compose & Kotlin Multiplatform & Libraries



# Some Kotlin Multiplatform Libraries

Koin	Dependency Injection framework
KMP-ObservableViewModel	Allows sharing of ViewModels across Android and iOS
KMP-NativeCoroutines	Allows coroutines to be used / cancelled in Swift code
SQLDelight	Generates type safe Kotlin API's from SQL
Multiplatform Settings	Simplifies persisting key/value pairs in multiplatform code
Jetpack DataStore	Stores key/value pairs and objects using coroutines and flows
Circuit	Architectural framework for Compose Multiplatform

# Great News!

John O'Reilly

@joreilly

To recap, following AndroidX/Jetpack libraries can now be used in Kotlin Multiplatform code! **#KMP**

- 🚀 Lifecycle [developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/lifecycle](https://developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/lifecycle)
- 🚀 ViewModel [developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/viewmodel](https://developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/viewmodel)
- 🚀 Navigation [github.com/JetBrains/compose-multplat-formats/tree/main/navigation](https://github.com/JetBrains/compose-multplat-formats/tree/main/navigation)
- 🚀 DataStore [developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/datastore](https://developer.android.com/jetpack/androidx/datastore)
- 🚀 Room [developer.android.com/kotlin/multiplatform/room](https://developer.android.com/kotlin/multiplatform/room)

github.com

## Awesome KMM

Native Code

Shared Code

Business logic and core

View

View

iOS specific APIs

Android specific APIs

PRs welcome awesome stars 1.3k maven-central v1.8.20

Kotlin Multiplatform Mobile (KMM) is an SDK designed to simplify creating cross-platform mobile applications. With the help of KMM, you can share common code between iOS and Android apps and write platform-specific code only where it's necessary. For example, to implement a native UI or when working with platform-specific APIs.

### Resources

1.3k stars  
48 watching  
60 forks  
Report repository

Releases 9

Issue 9 Latest last month

+ 8 releases

Contributors 23

+ 12 contributors

<https://github.com/terrakok/kmp-awesome>

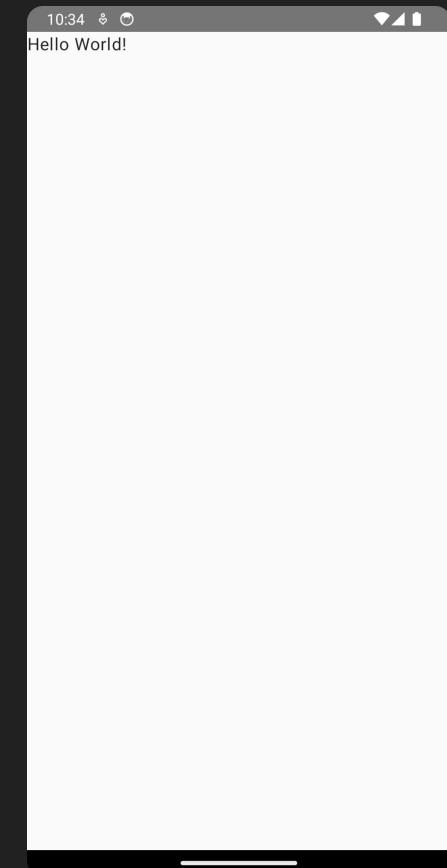
Hello Compose Multiplatform 🙌

# Concepts

- Composable functions
- Layouts
- Images
- Themes
- Lists
- Buttons

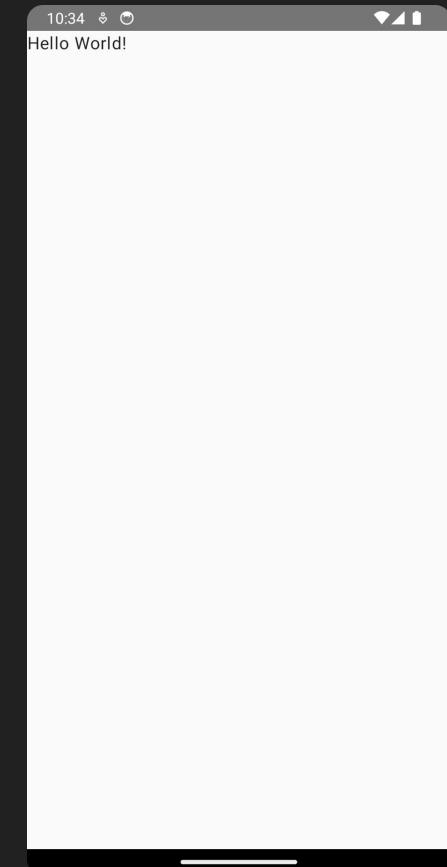
# Adding a Text Composable

```
@Composable  
fun App() {  
    MaterialTheme {  
        Text("Hello World!")  
    }  
}
```



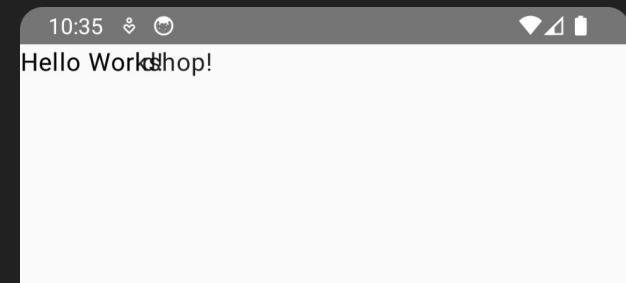
# Defining Your Own Composable

```
@Composable  
fun App() {  
    MaterialTheme {  
        Hello()  
    }  
}  
  
@Composable  
fun Hello(){  
    Text("Hello World!")  
}
```



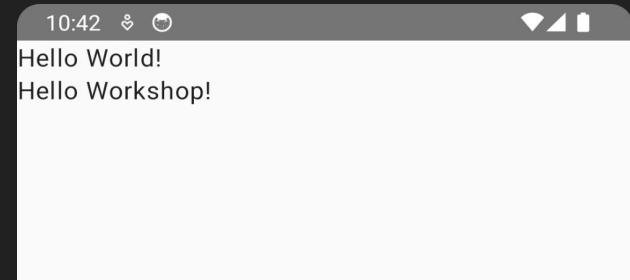
# Adding Multiple Texts

```
@Composable  
fun Hello(){  
    Text("Hello World!")  
    Text("Hello Workshop!")  
}
```



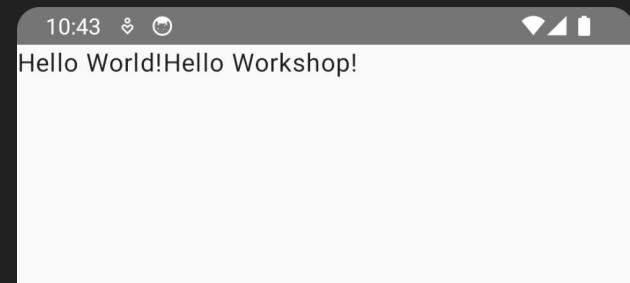
# Adding Multiple Texts - Vertical

```
@Composable  
fun Hello(){  
    Column {  
        Text("Hello World!")  
        Text("Hello Workshop!")  
    }  
}
```



# Adding Multiple Texts - Horizontal

```
@Composable  
fun Hello(){  
    Row {  
        Text("Hello World!")  
        Text("Hello Workshop!")  
    }  
}
```

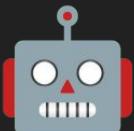
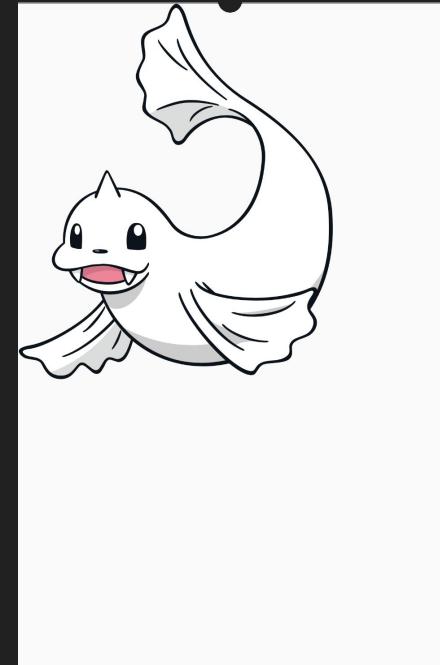


# Adding an Image

## Using Compose Image Loader

```
@Composable
fun PokemonImage(url: String, contentDescription: String){
    val painterResource =
        rememberImagePainter(url = url)
    Image(
        painter = painterResource,
        contentDescription = contentDescription,
        contentScale = ContentScale.FillBounds
    )
}

PokemonImage("https://unpkg.com/pokeapi-sprites@2.0.2/sprites/pokemon/other/
dream-world/87.svg", "A white pokemon")
```



```
<uses-permission
    android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```

# Why not Coil?



- An image loading library for Android backed by Kotlin Coroutines
- From v3 onwards, it is also for Kotlin Multiplatform
- But it's still in pre-release (alpha06)
- It's also slightly more complicated to use than Compose Image Loader (need to setup an ImageLoader with a context)
- For the curious:  
<https://proandroiddev.com/coil-for-compose-multiplatform-5745ea76356f>

# Configuring Padding

```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Column(modifier = Modifier.padding(32.dp)) {
        Text("Hello World!")
        Text("Hello Workshop!")
    }
}
```

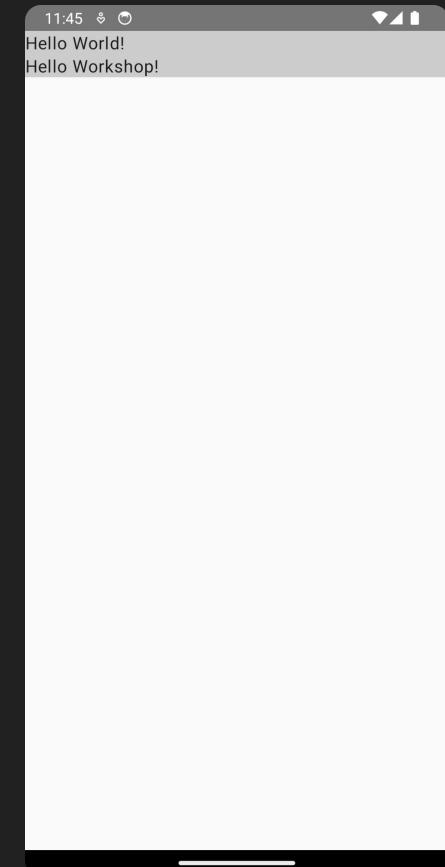
Hello World!  
Hello Workshop!

# Configuring Sizing - Width

```
@Composable  
fun Hello() {  
    Column(  
        modifier = Modifier.fillMaxWidth()  
            .background(Color.LightGray)  
    ) {  
        Text("Hello World!")  
        Text("Hello Workshop!")  
    }  
}
```

OR

```
modifier = Modifier.width(130.dp)
```



# Configuring Sizing - Height

```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Column(
        modifier = Modifier.fillMaxHeight()
            .background(Color.LightGray)
    ) {
        Text("Hello World!")
        Text("Hello Workshop!")
    }
}
```

OR

```
modifier = Modifier.height(128.dp)
```



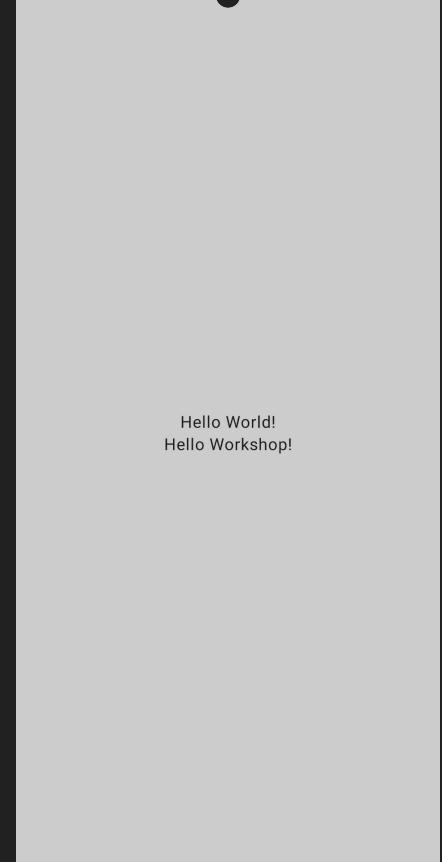
# Configuring Sizing - Size

```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Column(
        modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize()
            .background(Color.LightGray)
    ) {
        Text("Hello World!")
        Text("Hello Workshop!")
    }
}
```



# Centering

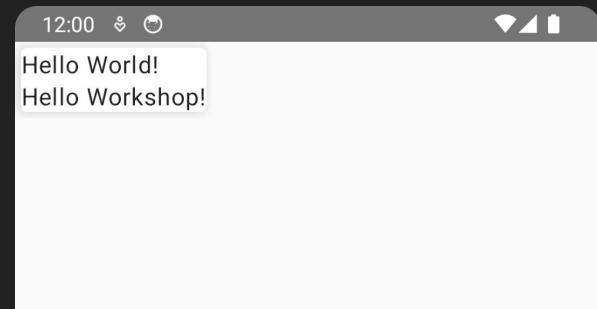
```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Column(
        horizontalAlignment = Alignment.CenterHorizontally,
        verticalArrangement = Arrangement.Center,
        modifier = Modifier
            .fillMaxSize()
            .background(Color.LightGray)
    ) {
        Text("Hello World!")
        Text("Hello Workshop!")
    }
}
```



Hello World!  
Hello Workshop!

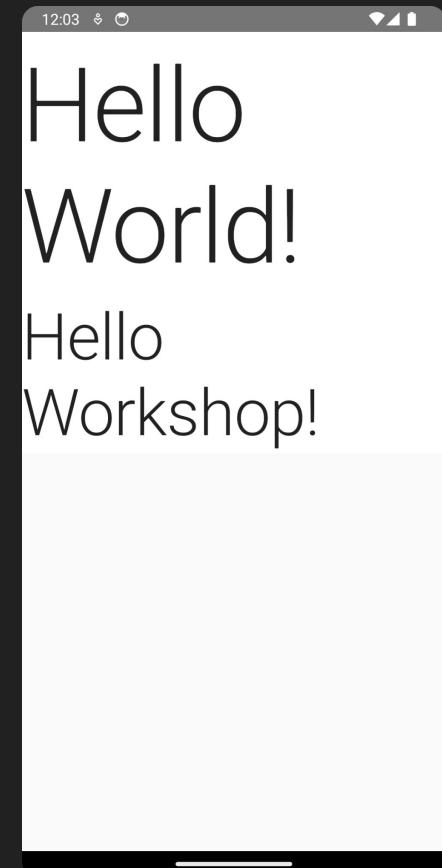
# Creating a Card

```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Card(
        modifier = Modifier.padding(4.dp),
        elevation = 10.dp,
        shape = MaterialTheme.shapes.small
    ) {
        Column {
            Text("Hello World!")
            Text("Hello Workshop!")
        }
    }
}
```



# Formatting Text

```
@Composable
fun Hello() {
    Column {
        Text(
            "Hello World!",
            style = MaterialTheme.typography.h1
        )
        Text(
            "Hello Workshop!",
            style = MaterialTheme.typography.h2
        )
    }
}
```



# Formatting Text

Scale Category	Typeface	Weight	Size	Case	Letter spacing
H1	Roboto	Light	96	Sentence	-1.5
H2	Roboto	Light	60	Sentence	-0.5
H3	Roboto	Regular	48	Sentence	0
H4	Roboto	Regular	34	Sentence	0.25
H5	Roboto	Regular	24	Sentence	0
H6	Roboto	Medium	20	Sentence	0.15
Subtitle 1	Roboto	Regular	16	Sentence	0.15
Subtitle 2	Roboto	Medium	14	Sentence	0.1
Body 1	Roboto	Regular	16	Sentence	0.5
Body 2	Roboto	Regular	14	Sentence	0.25
BUTTON	Roboto	Medium	14	All caps	1.25
Caption	Roboto	Regular	12	Sentence	0.4
OVERLINE	Roboto	Regular	10	All caps	1.5

# Lists - Number of Items

```
@Composable
fun HelloList() {
    LazyColumn {
        items(count = 100) {
            Text("This is item: $it")
        }
    }
}
```

```
This is item: 0
This is item: 1
This is item: 2
This is item: 3
This is item: 4
This is item: 5
This is item: 6
This is item: 7
This is item: 8
This is item: 9
This is item: 10
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This is item: 34
This is item: 35
This is item: 36
This is item: 37
This is item: 38
```

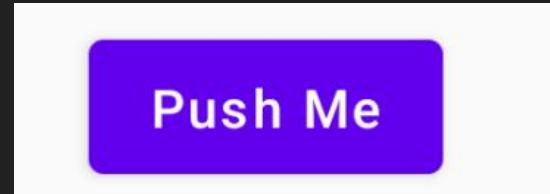
# Lists - Collection

```
@Composable
fun HelloList() {
    val countries = listOf<String>(
        "Denmark",
        "South Africa"
    )
    LazyColumn {
        items(countries) {
            Text("This is country: $it")
        }
    }
}
```

This is country: Denmark  
This is country: South Africa

# Buttons

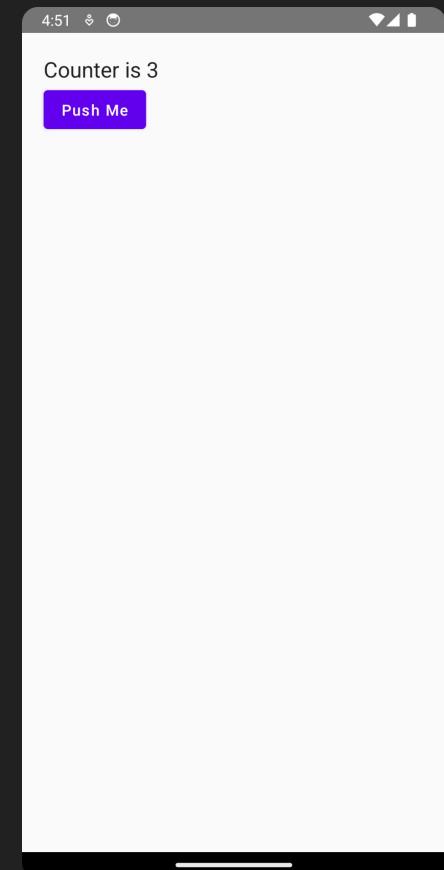
```
@Composable  
fun HelloButton() {  
    Button(onClick = { doSomething() }) {  
        Text("Push Me")  
    }  
}
```



# Practical 1: Creating a Compose Multiplatform Card [20 mins]

```
@Composable
fun CounterExample() {
    var counter by remember { mutableStateOf(0) }

    Column(modifier = Modifier.padding(20.dp)) {
        Text(
            style = TextStyle(fontSize = 20.sp),
            text = "Counter is $counter"
        )
        Button(onClick = { counter++ }) {
            Text("Push Me")
        }
    }
}
```



# mutableStateOf creates an observable.

```
var counter by remember { mutableStateOf(0) }
```

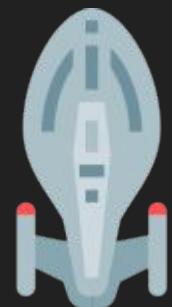
remember stores values  
across recompositions.

```
var counter by remember { mutableStateOf(0) }
```

Compose Multiplatform  
navigation is currently  
experimental and has its  
limitations\* so we'll be looking at  
a stable alternative.

# Voyager - Multiplatform Navigation Library for Compose

- **Linear navigation**
- **Back navigation**
- BottomSheet navigation
- Tab navigation
- Multi-module navigation
- Nested navigation



# Linear Navigation - Screens

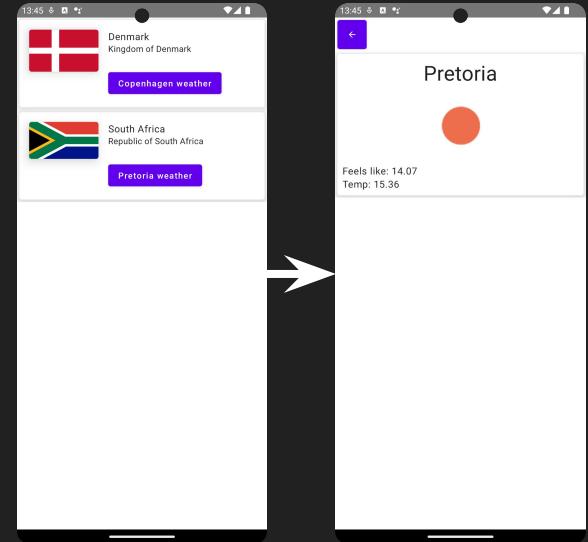
```
class HomeScreen : Screen {  
    @Composable  
    override fun Content() {  
        // Contents of Screen  
    }  
}
```

# Linear Navigation - Setup

```
@Composable
fun App() {
    MaterialTheme {
        Navigator(HomeScreen())
    }
}
```

# Linear Navigation - Navigation

```
val navigator = LocalNavigator.currentOrThrow  
navigator.push(otherScreen())
```



# Back Navigation - Poppable / Popping

Function	Description
navigator.canPop	If it's not the “root” or “home” screen
navigator.pop()	Move back to the previous screen
CurrentScreen()	Display the current screen contents

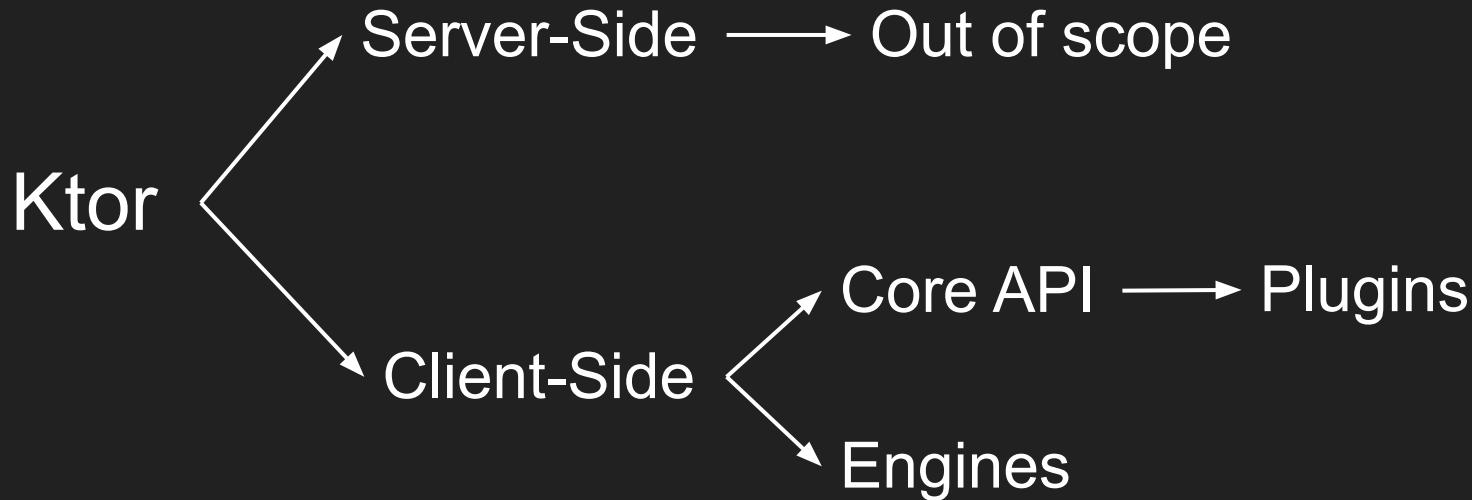
# Summary

- We are coding with **Composable Functions / Composables**.
- **Modifiers** allow you to decorate or augment a Composable.
- **remember** stores values across recomposition.
- **mutableStateOf** creates a Compose observable.
- **Voyager** is an alternative navigation library for Compose Multiplatform.

# Ktor Client & Kotlinx.serialization

# Introducing Ktor

- Ktor is a framework for managing services
- You can both create and consume services
- You create consumers via the Ktor Client
- Ktor Client has platform-specific Engines
- Both client and server depend on Plugins



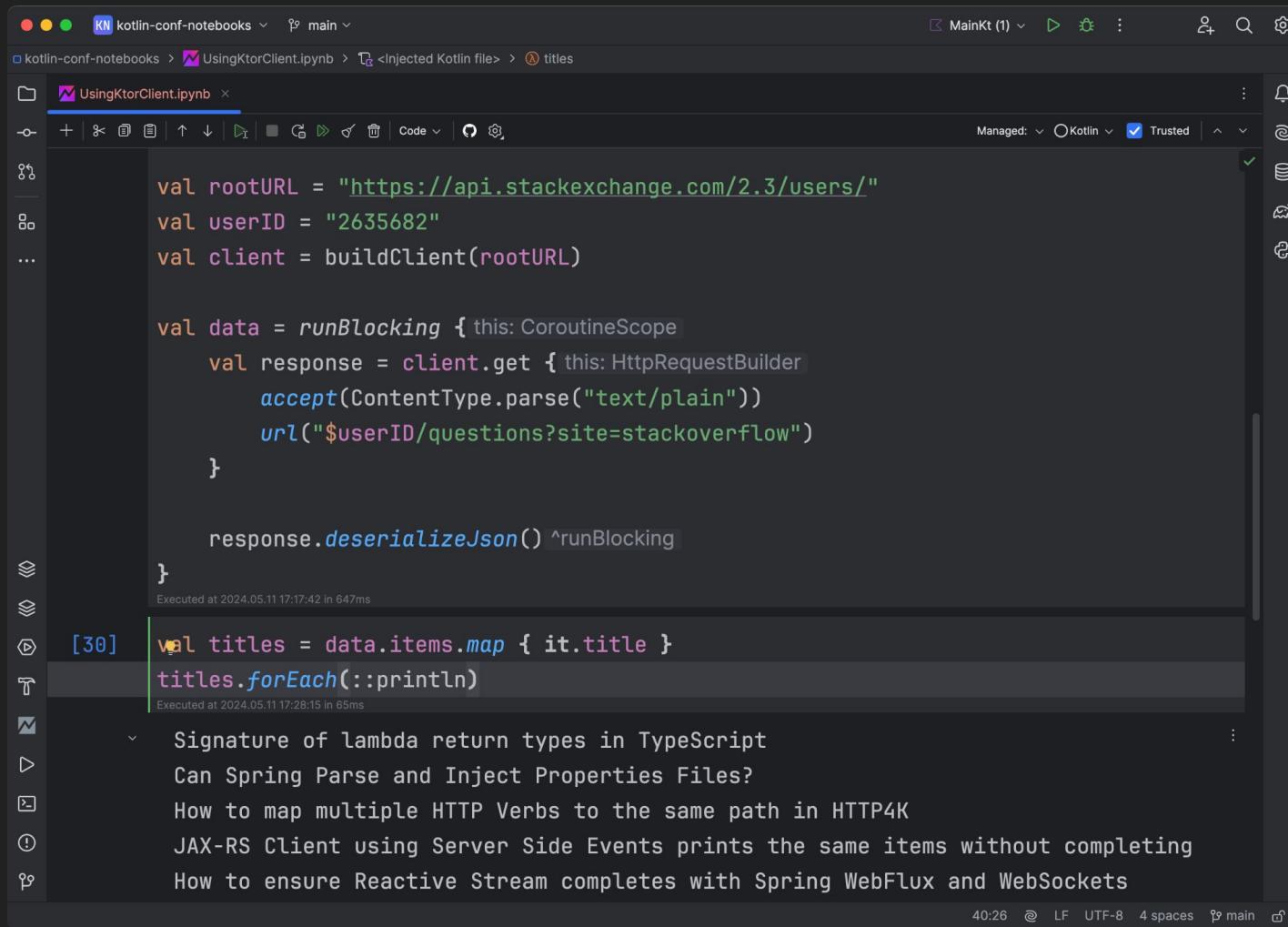
# Configuring Ktor Client

To configure Ktor Client we declare dependencies:

- On the core and logging, in the common source set
- On an engine, in each platform source set

NB Kotlin Notebook users have a shortcut

- '%use ktor-client' provides immediate access to the Ktor Client
- Notebooks are a great way to prototype your networking code



# Configuring Ktor Client - Common Source Set

```
commonMain.dependencies {  
    implementation(compose.runtime)  
    implementation(compose.foundation)  
    implementation(compose.material)  
    implementation(compose.ui)  
  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-core:2.3.7")  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-logging:2.3.7")  
}
```

# Configuring Ktor Client - Desktop Source Set

```
desktopMain.dependencies {  
    implementation(compose.desktop.currentOs)  
  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-cio:2.3.7")  
}
```

# Configuring Ktor Client - iOS Source Set

```
iosMain.dependencies {  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-darwin:2.3.7")  
}
```

# Configuring Ktor Client - Android Source Set

```
androidMain.dependencies {  
    implementation(libs.compose.ui.tooling.preview)  
    implementation(libs.androidx.activity.compose)  
  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-android:2.3.7")  
}
```

# Using the Ktor Client - Part 1

To use the Ktor Client in our code we:

1. Create an instance of the `HttpClient` type
2. Add required plugins via the `install` method
3. Further configure the plugins as required

The Ktor philosophy is ‘no magic annotations’

- Plugins on the classpath do not register themselves
- You must explicitly configure them by calling `install`
- This may differ from other frameworks you have used

# Using the Ktor Client - Part 1

```
class ItemRepository {  
  
    private val client = HttpClient {  
        install(ContentNegotiation) {  
            json(Json {  
                prettyPrint = true  
                ignoreUnknownKeys = true  
            })  
        }  
    }  
  
    suspend fun allItems(): List<Item> { ... }  
    suspend fun singleItem(id: Long): Item? { ... }  
}
```

This plugin manages serialization, based on the HTTP Accept header. We configure it to format our JSON for viewing.

# Using the Ktor Client - Part 2

For each call to the server we:

- Invoke request to acquire a Response
- Check the HTTP status code is 2xx
- Extract the body from the response

# Using the Ktor Client - Part 2

```
suspend fun allItems(): List<Item> {
    val response = client.request("$ENDPOINT_URL/items")

    if (!response.status.isSuccess()) {
        //Return an empty list if the
        // response code is not 2xx
        return listOf()
    }
    return response.body()
}
```

# Using the Ktor Client - Part 2

```
suspend fun singleItem(id: Long): Item? {
    val response = client.request("$ENDPOINT_URL/items/$id")

    if (!response.status.isSuccess()) {
        //Return null if the response
        // code is not 2xx
        return null
    }
    return response.body()
}
```

# Introducing Serialization

The previous example will not work (yet!)

Because we have not considered serialization

Ktor does not convert objects to and from JSON

We need to add another library to accomplish this

# Introducing Kotlinx.serialization

Platform specific serialization libraries exist

But we want to be multiplatform wherever possible

Hence we should use the kotlinx.serialization library:

<https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlinx.serialization>

# Configuring Kotlinx.serialization

Kotlinx.serialization does not make use of reflection

Code to marshall objects is generated at build time

Hence we need to add two items into Gradle:

- The dependency on the library itself
- A compiler plugin to generate the code

# Configuring Kotlinx.serialization - Common Source Set

```
commonMain.dependencies {  
    ...  
    implementation("io.ktor:ktor-client-serialization-kotlinx-json:2.3.7")  
}  
}
```

# Using kotlinx.serialization

Ktor will use the `kotlinx.serialization` library for you

You simply need to annotate your types with `@Serializable`

The qualified name is `kotlinx.serialization.Serializable`

# Configuring Kotlinx.serialization - Compiler Plugin

```
plugins {  
    ...  
    kotlin("plugin.serialization") version "1.9.22"  
}
```

# Using kotlinx.serialization

It is possible to customize the serialization process in many ways

See the guide in the library documentation for details:

<https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlinx.serialization/blob/master/docs/serialization-guide.md>

# Practical 2: Connecting to a Web Service [20 mins]

# Understanding Expect / Actual

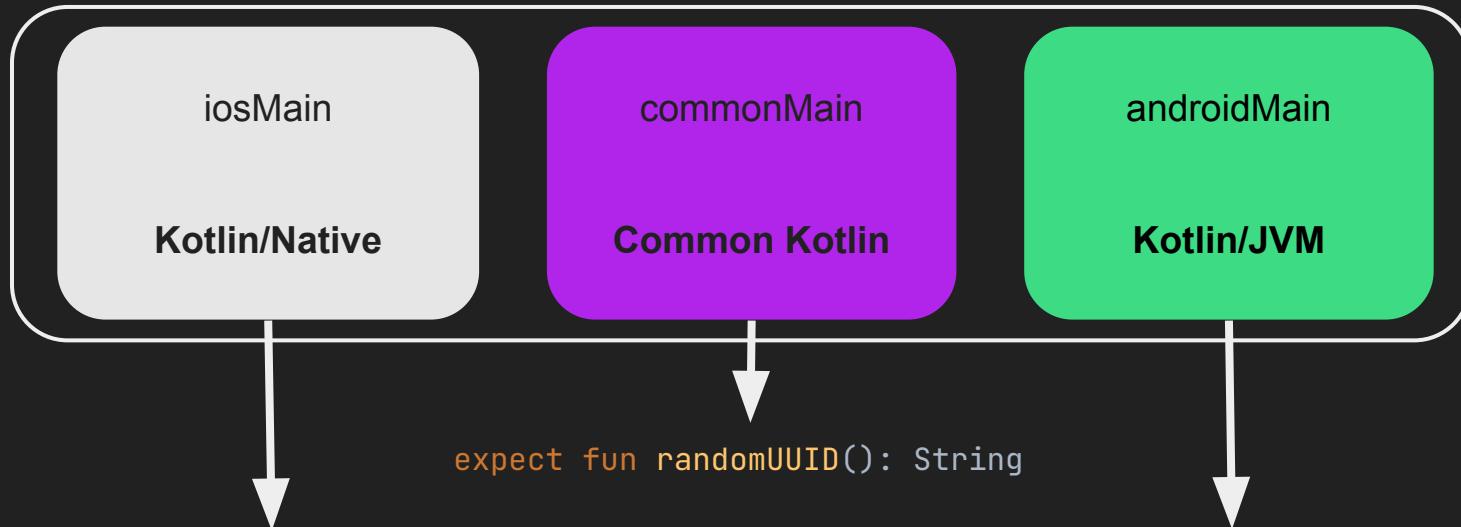
# Demo: Wizard expect/actual Usage

# What We Saw

- The Compose Multiplatform template uses `expect/actual` for `getPlatform()`
- The `expect` definition is in `commonMain` - we define what we're expecting
- The `actual` implementation is in `androidMain/desktopMain/iosMain` - we actually implement what we promised

It's important to have actual fun(s) 😊

# Expect/actual functions



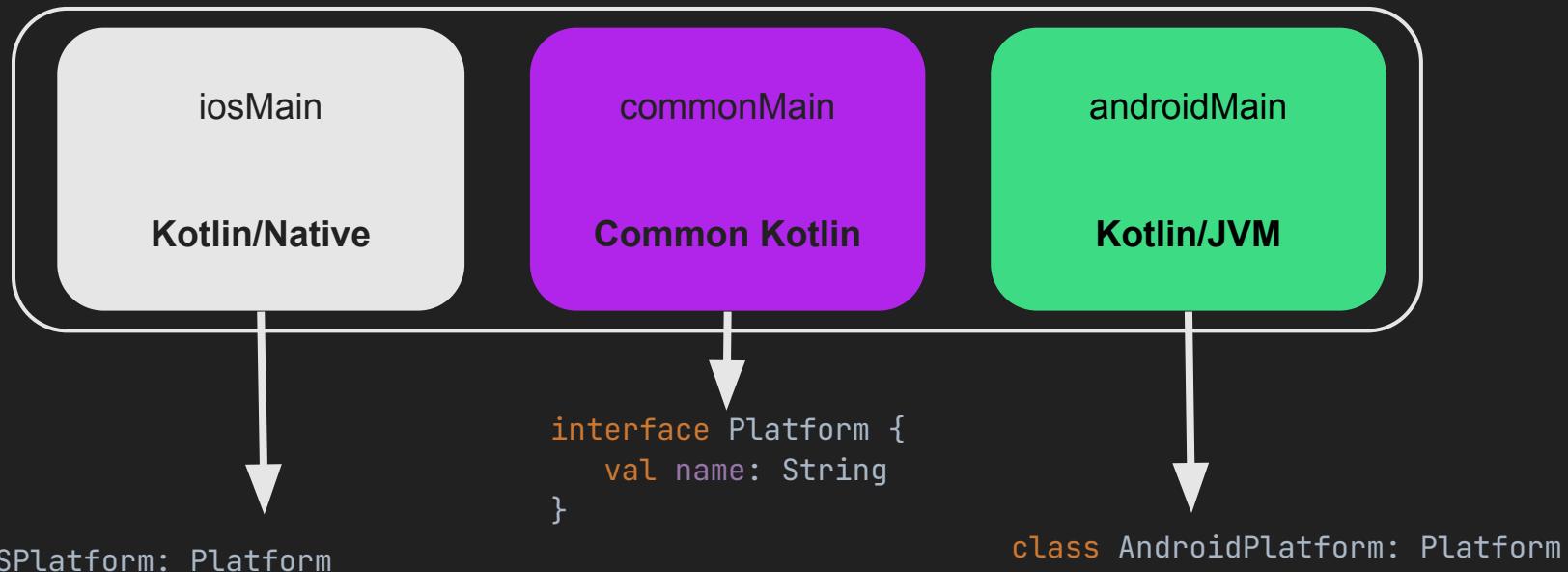
```
import platform.Foundation.NSUUID
actual fun randomUUID(): String =
    NSUUID().UUIDString()
```

```
import java.util.*
actual fun randomUUID() =
    UUID.randomUUID().toString()
```

Use expect/actual  
functions for simple cases

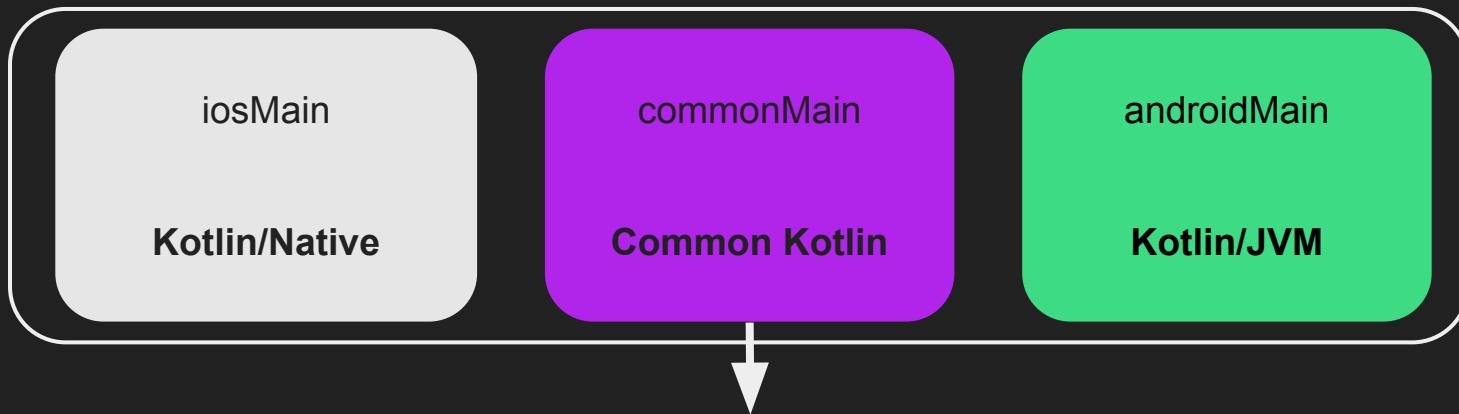
Use interfaces for more  
**complex** cases

# interfaces

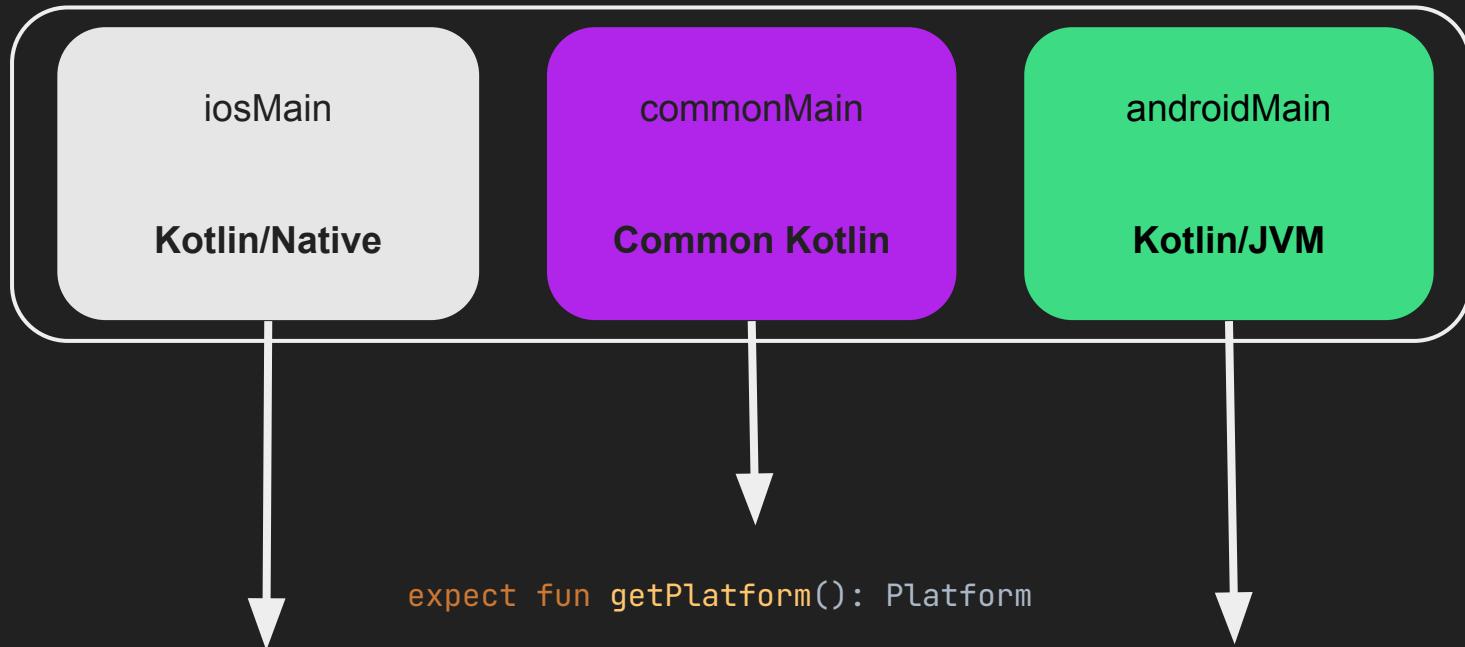


But how do we actually  
provide the implementation?

# Factory Functions



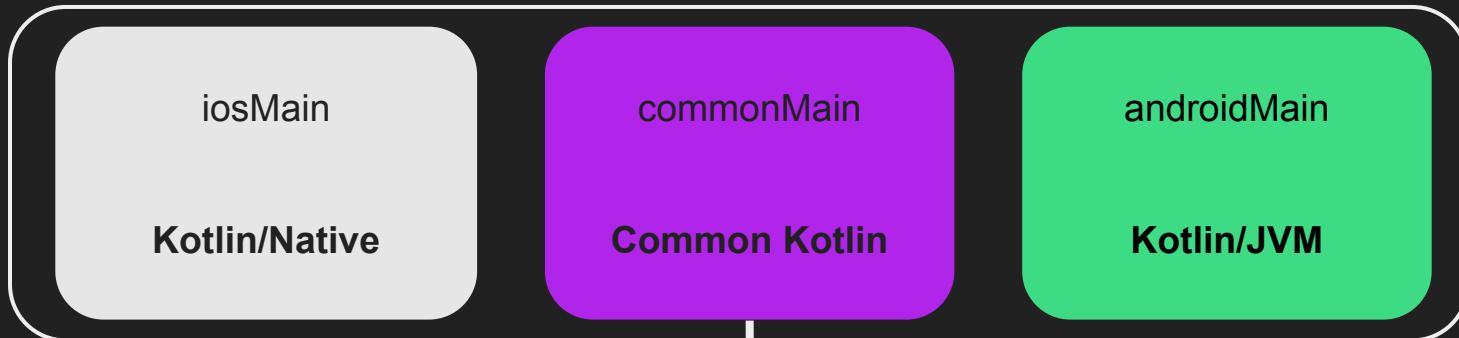
```
interface Platform {  
    val name: String  
}  
  
expect fun getPlatform(): Platform
```



```
class iOSPlatform: Platform  
...  
actual fun getPlatform() = iOSPlatform()
```

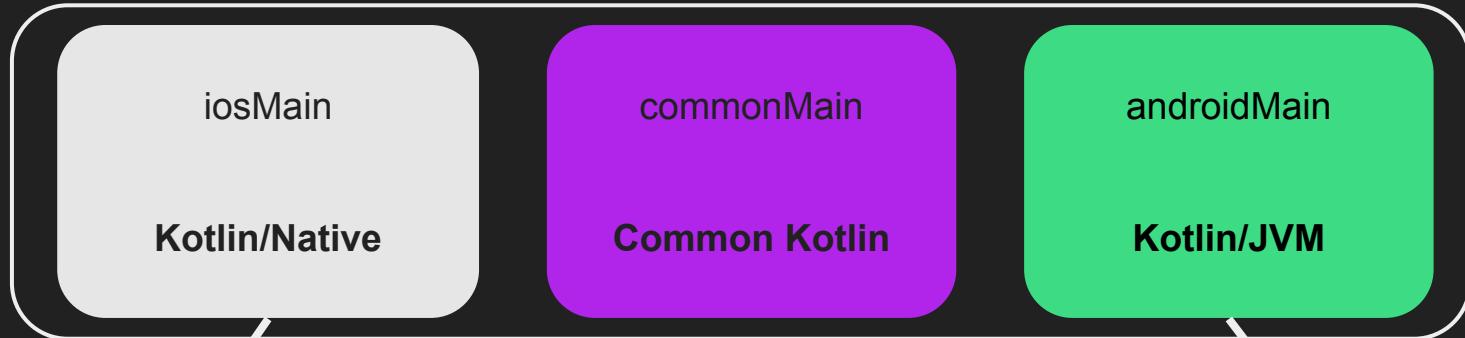
```
class AndroidPlatform: Platform  
...  
actual fun getPlatform() = AndroidPlatform()
```

# Early Entry Points



```
interface Platform {  
    val name: String  
}
```

```
fun app(p: Platform) {  
    // app logic  
}
```

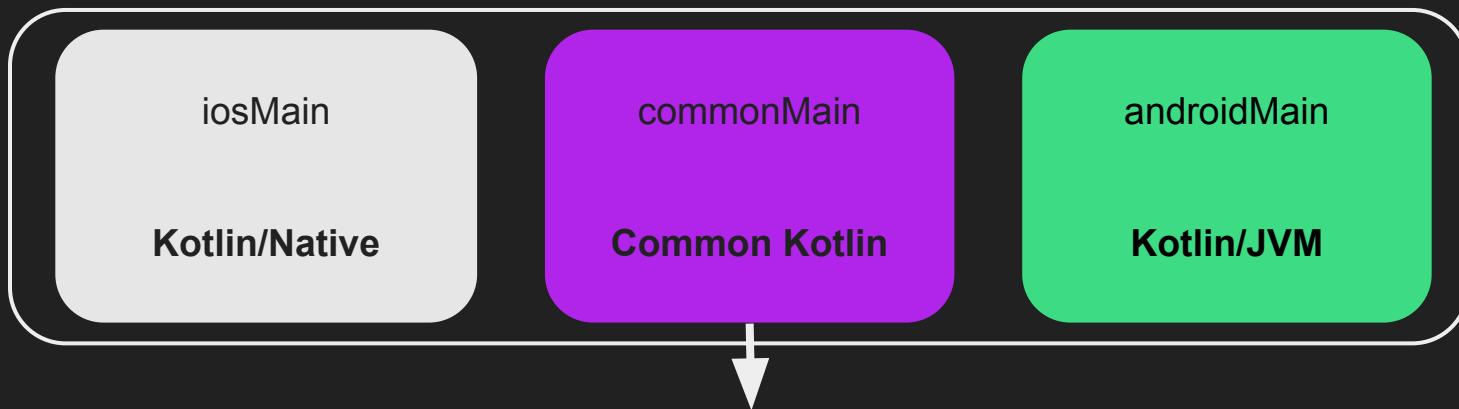


```
class iOSPlatform: Platform  
...  
  
@main  
struct iOSApp : App {  
    init() {  
        app(iOSPlatform())  
    }  
}
```

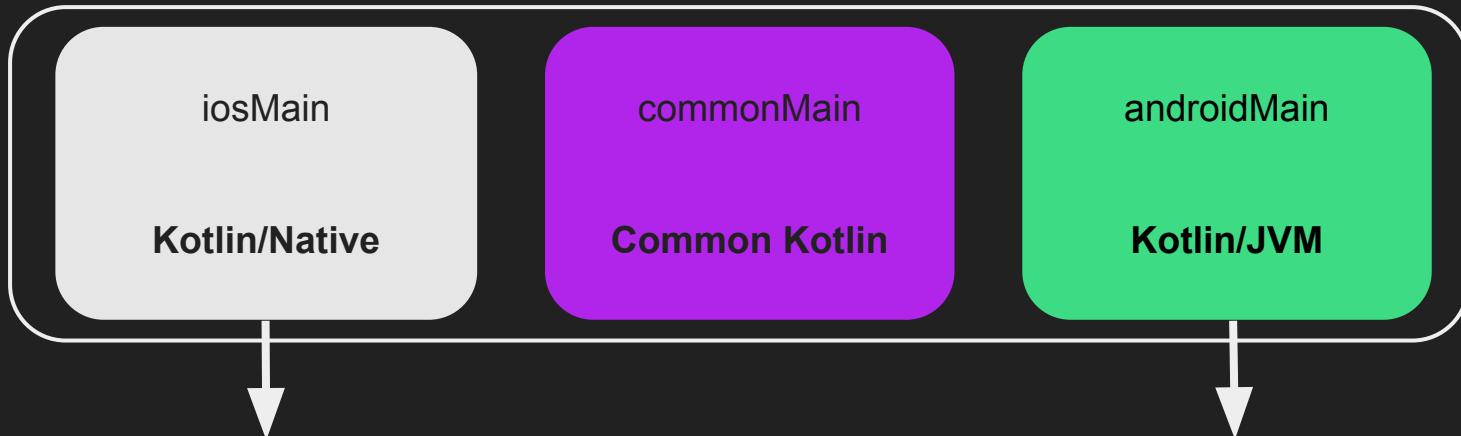
```
class AndroidPlatform: Platform  
...  
  
class MyApp : Application() {  
    override fun onCreate() {  
        super.onCreate()  
        app(AndroidPlatform())  
    }  
}
```

Use Dependency Injection  
frameworks to provide  
interface implementations

# Dependency Injection with Koin



```
interface Platform {  
    val name: String  
}  
  
expect val platformModule: Module
```



```
class iOSPlatform: Platform  
...  
actual val platformModule: Module = module {  
    single<Platform> {  
        IOSPlatform()  
    }  
}
```

```
class AndroidPlatform: Platform  
...  
actual val platformModule: Module = module {  
    single<Platform> {  
        AndroidPlatform()  
    }  
}
```

# Practical 3: Getting the Device Country Code [20 mins]

- Your expect/actuals must be in the same package
- Your Android actual goes in androidMain
- Your Desktop actual goes in desktopMain
- Your iOS actual goes in iosMain
- Use the gutter icons to navigate between the expect/actuals

# Discussion Time

What is your impressions  
of the technology now that  
you've given it a try?



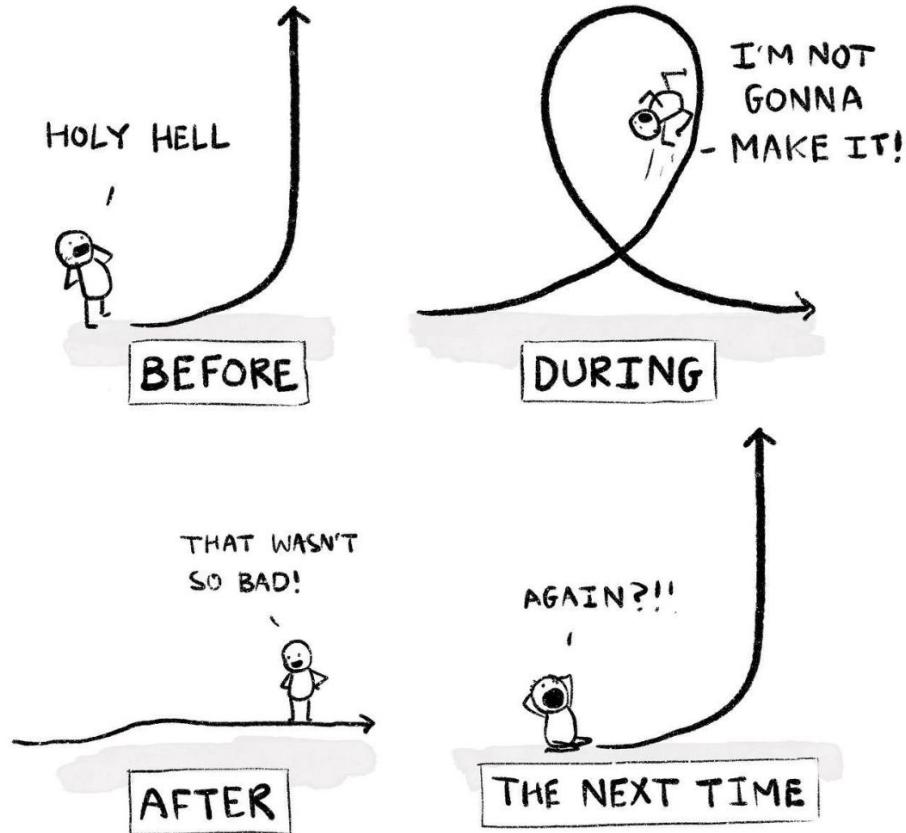
What are your next steps ?



How would you convince  
your team  to also try it?

# Closing

# HOW LEARNING CURVES FEEL...



# Group picture



(Let me know if you don't want to be photographed)

# Thank you



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