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# Mobile Applications Development with Kotlin Multiplatform

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# About Me



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# Agenda

Why cross-platform?

Proven solutions

Kotlin MP basics

App prototype

Useful links/examples

Summary

# Why we need cross-platform?



Android and iOS developers write similar code for both platform



Twice (or more) bigger team



# Kaspersky Mobile Apps



iOS

# Xamarin, React Native, ...

- **WebView or Bridge for UI-components rendering**
- **Slow**
- **Mono garbage collection**



iOS



Xamarin

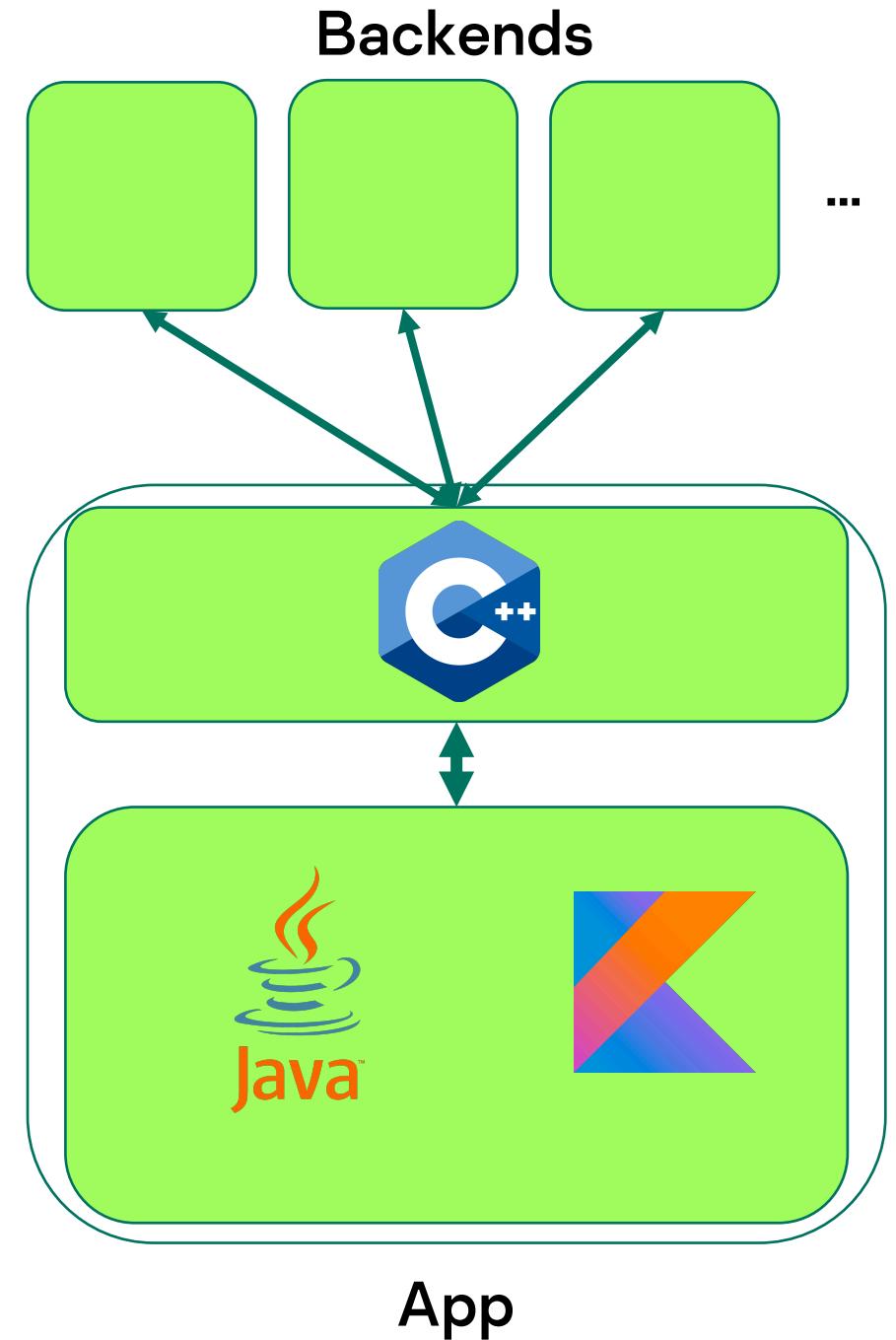


Swift

# C++

**Common transport library for  
backends communication in Kaspersky apps**

- Low-level
- Too complex to understand & maintain
- Mobile UI with Qt



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# My learning curve



On my pet projects

# Me in 2018



**Junior Android developer**



**Java**



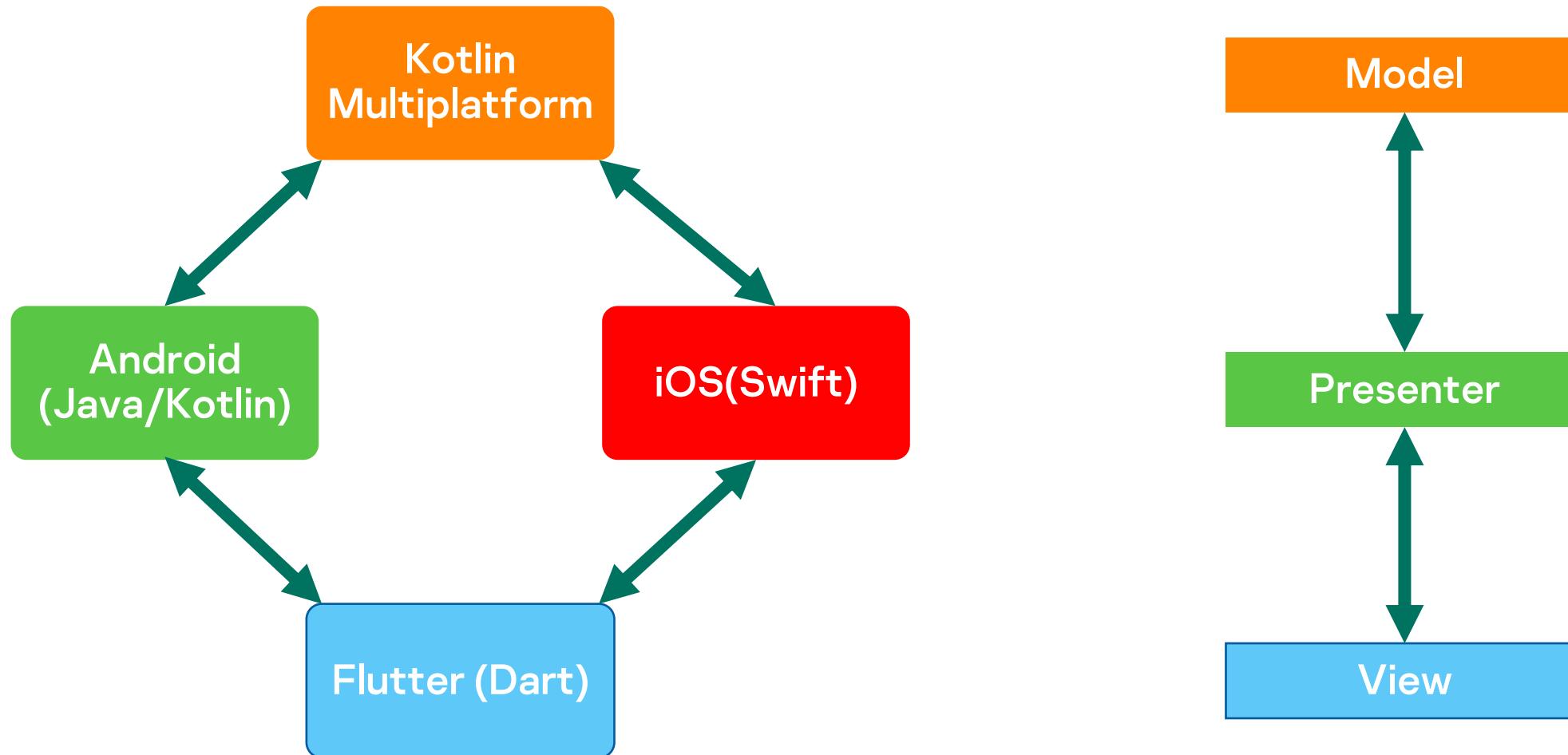
**Gradle – a bit**



**Kotlin – not used in project in 2018**



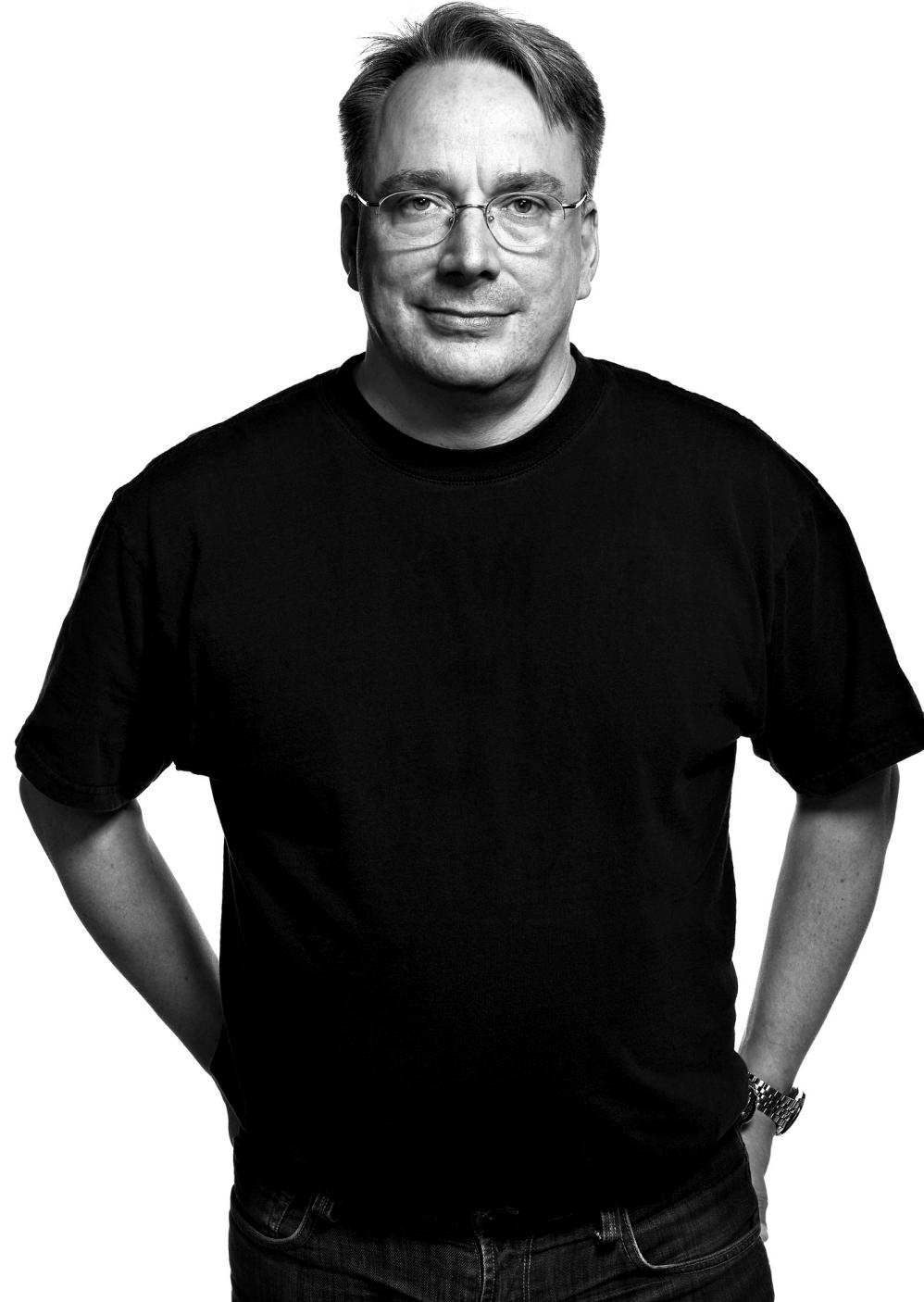
# Article «Fast Prototypes with Flutter + Kotlin/Native»

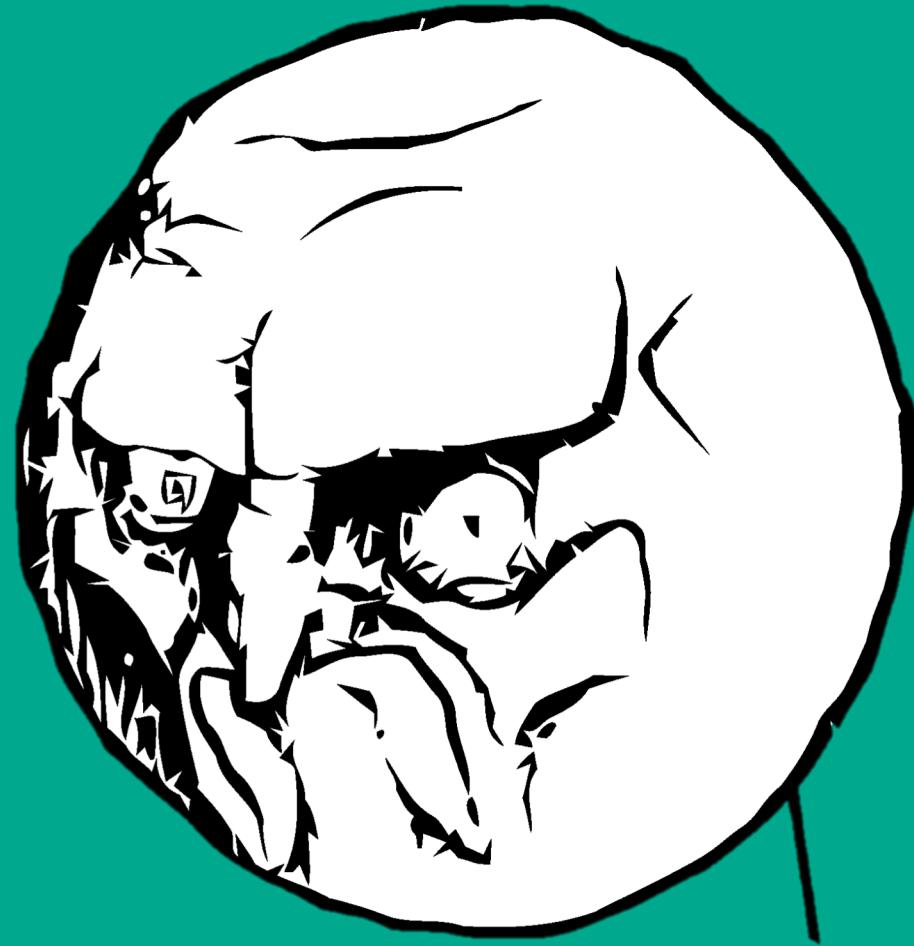


Sounds good



Show me  
the code



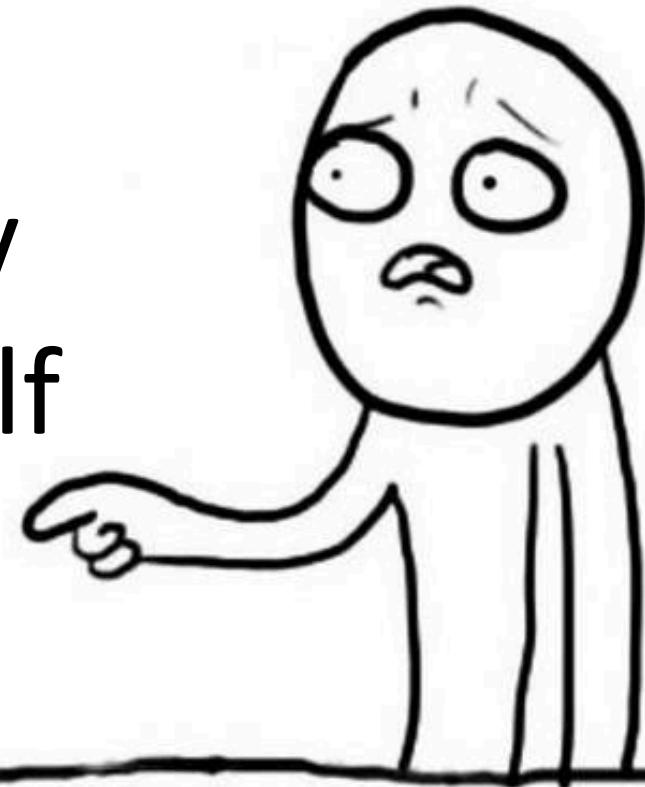


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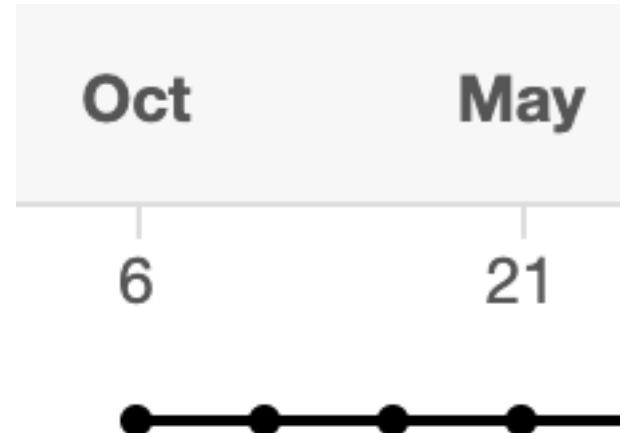
Ok



I'll try  
myself



# October 2018



Kotlin MP official docs & example

Kotlin 1.3.0-rc-57

```
package org.kotlin.mpp.mobile

import platformUIKit.UIDevice

actual fun platformName(): String {
    return UIDevice.currentDevice.systemName() + " " + UIDevice.currentDevice.systemVersion
}
```

# Mobius Moscow 2018

"Kotlin for common code in Android & iOS"



A presentation slide from Mobius Moscow 2018. At the top left is the Mobius logo with "2018 Moscow" underneath. Below it is the name "Святослав Щербина" and the company "JetBrains". To the right is a portrait photo of a young man with dark hair and a slight smile. The main text on the slide is "Kotlin для написания общего кода под Android и iOS". At the bottom right is a small "mobius" logo.

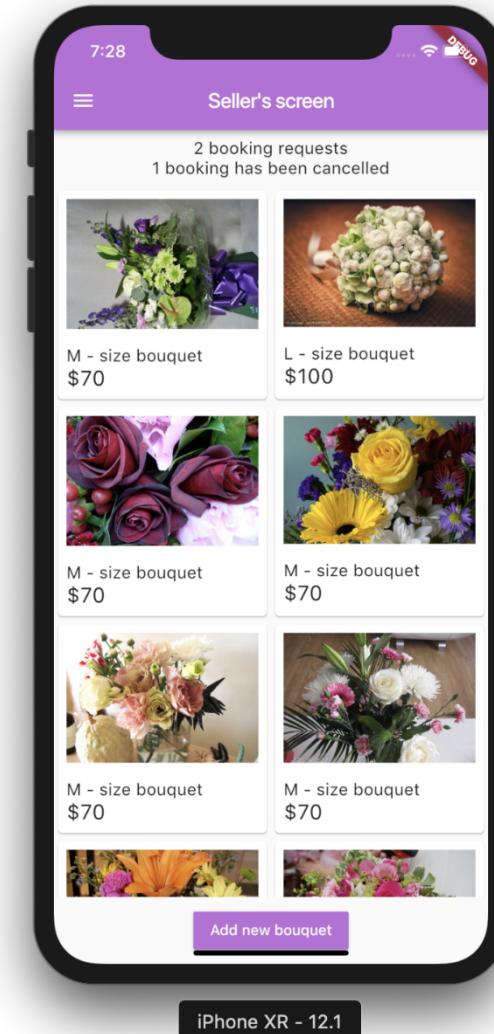
Kotlin для написания общего кода под Android и iOS

<https://youtu.be/BDTgkXUgXPk>

# Flutter in parallel



[https://github.com/AndreySBer  
/flutter\\_app\\_example](https://github.com/AndreySBer/flutter_app_example)

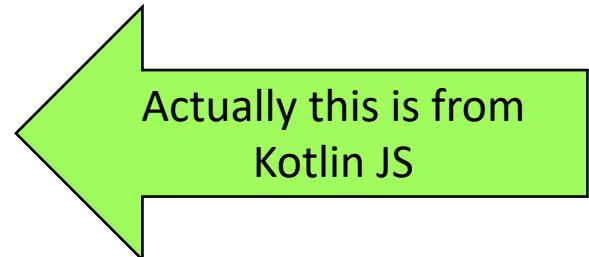


# Kotlin Native

The abi versions don't match. Expected '[9]', found '14'  
w: The compiler versions don't match either. Expected '[1.3.1]',  
found '1.3.50-release-11850'

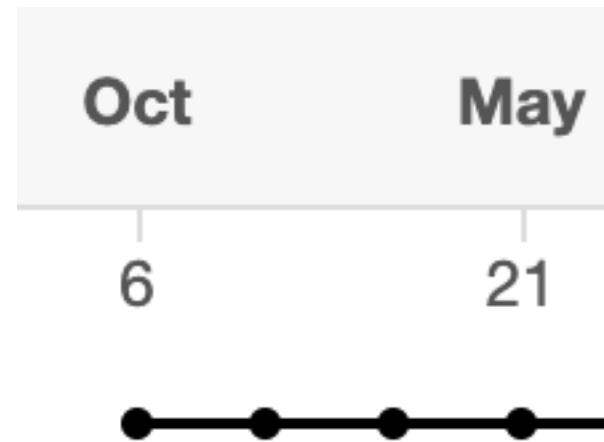
**kotlin.IllegalStateException: There is no event loop.  
Use runBlocking { ... } to start one.**  
at  
0 SharedCode 0x000000010c44d367  
kfun:kotlin.Throwable.<init>(kotlin.String?)kotlin.Thro  
wable + 23  
at...

ERROR in ..\_imported/kotlinx-io/0.1.12/kotlinx-io.js  
Module not found: Error: Can't resolve 'text-encoding' in  
'/Users/beryukhov/SE/KotlinLosAndroid/build/js/packages\_im  
ported/kotlinx-io/0.1.12'



Actually this is from  
Kotlin JS

# git log



# Try again

Kotlin 1.3.31

Combination of KMP libraries with same ABI (for a week)

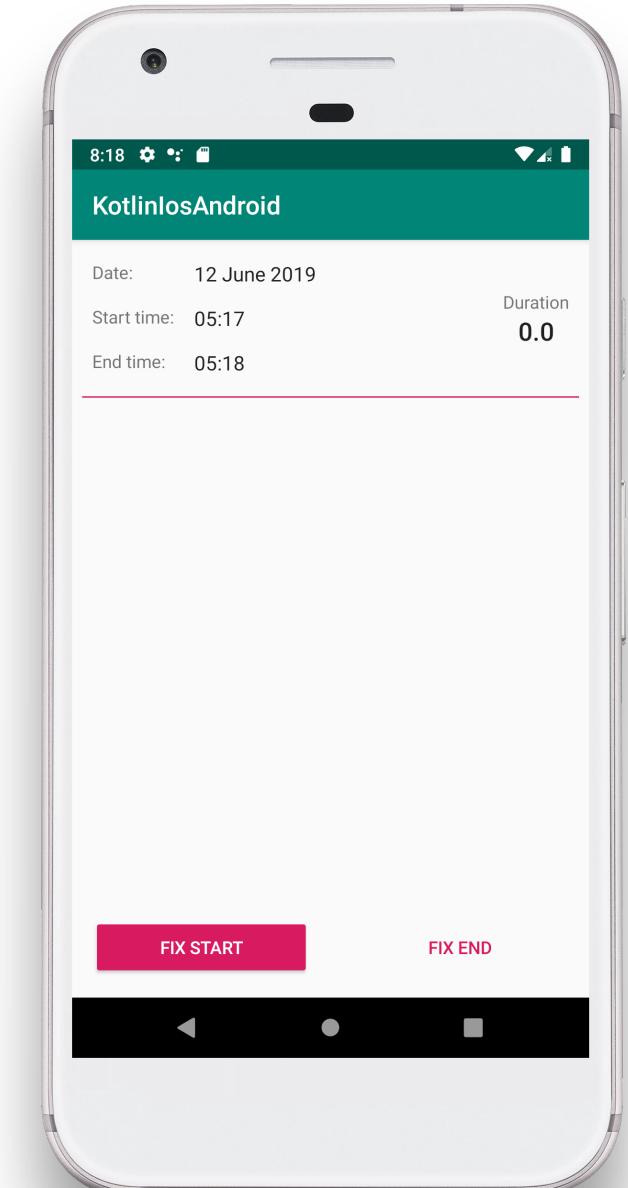
Simple Android layout

Simple MVP logic

# Kotlin MP application prototype

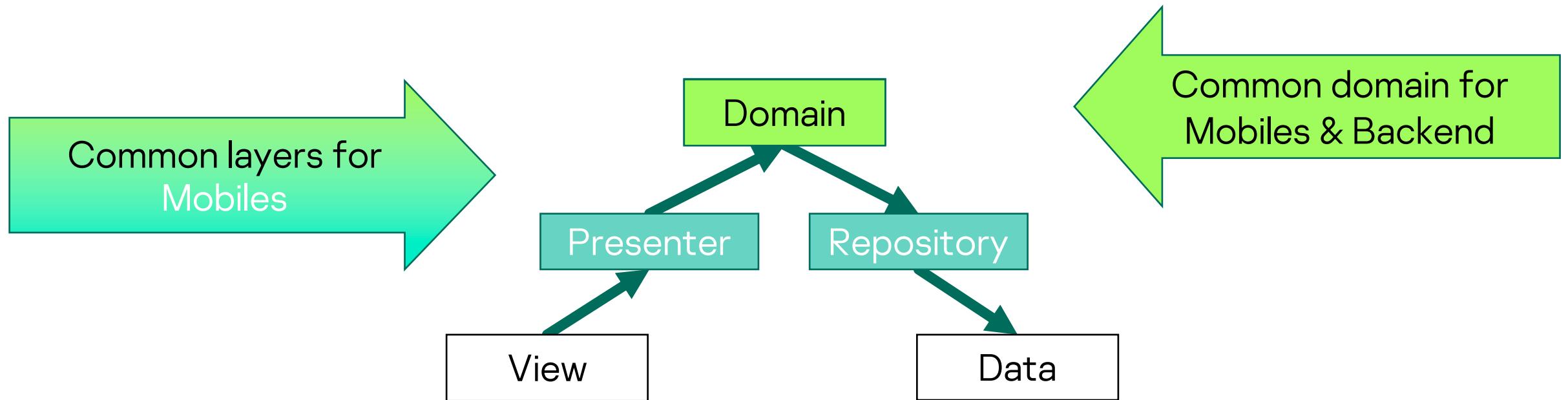
**Client application for working time tracking**

- 1 screen per each OS
  - Dates list;
  - Fix start, Fix end buttons
- iOS + Android + JS
- Simple Backend



<https://github.com/AndreySBer/KotlinlosAndroid>

# MVP + Clean Architecture



# iOS

Storyboards)

Problem with coroutines

<https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlinx.coroutines/issues/462>

Readable headers

```
__attribute__((objc_subclassing_restricted))
__attribute__((swift_name("TimeSheetPresenter.Companion")))
@interface SharedCodeTimeSheetPresenterCompanion : KotlinBase
+ (instancetype)alloc __attribute__((unavailable));
+ (instancetype)allocWithZone:(struct _NSZone *)zone
__attribute__((unavailable));
+ (instancetype)companion __attribute__((swift_name("init())));
- (double)getStartDate
__attribute__((swift_name("getStartDate())));
@end;
```

# Expect + Actual Mechanism

## Workaround 1

```
E expect class TimeSheetPresenterKmp
(timeSheetView: TimeSheetView, timeSheetRepository: TimeSheetRepository) {
    E fun onCreateView()
    E fun onFixStart()
    E fun onFixEnd()
    E fun onItemClick(item: DateModel)
}
```



# Expect + Actual Mechanism

A

**actual class** TimeSheetPresenterKmp

**actual constructor**(timeSheetView: TimeSheetView, timeSheetRepository: TimeSheetRepository) {

**val** timeSheetPresenter: TimeSheetPresenter

**init** { timeSheetPresenter = TimeSheetPresenter(timeSheetView, timeSheetRepository) }

A

**actual fun** onCreateView() = timeSheetPresenter.onCreateView()

A

**actual fun** onFixStart() = timeSheetPresenter.onFixStart()

A

**actual fun** onFixEnd() = timeSheetPresenter.onFixEnd()

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**actual fun** onItemClick(item: DateModel) =

        timeSheetPresenter.onOptionsItemSelected(item)

}

# Expect + Actual Mechanism

iOS

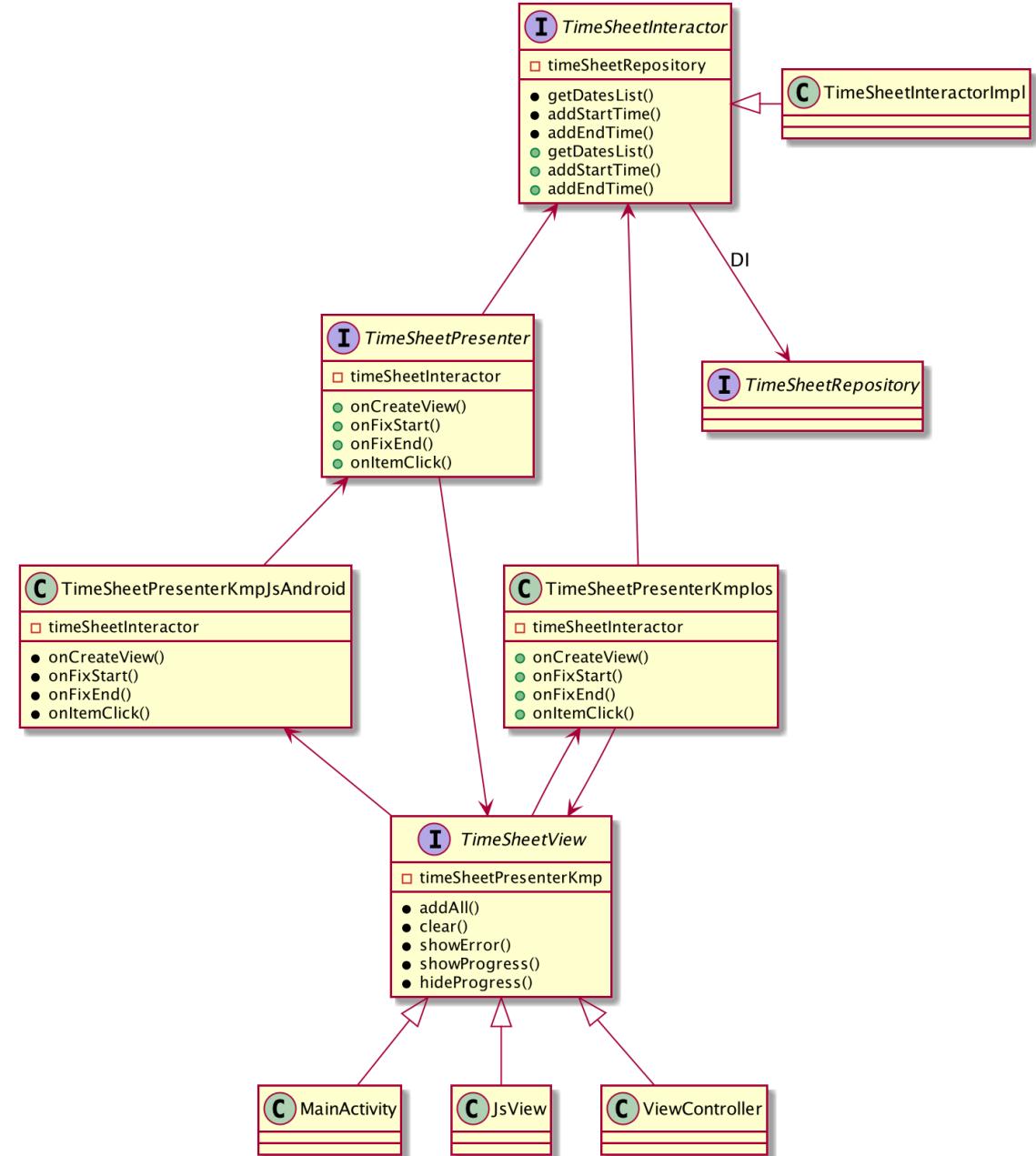
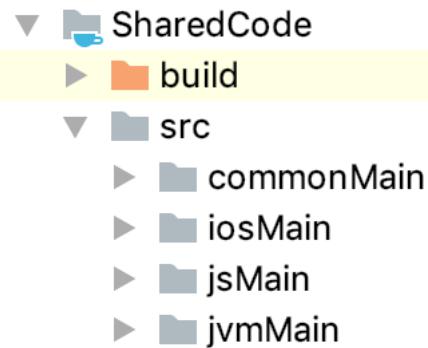
```
A actual class TimeSheetPresenterKmp
    actual constructor(timeSheetView: TimeSheetView, timeSheetRepository: TimeSheetRepository) {

        val timeSheetInteractor: TimeSheetInteractor
        val timeSheetView: TimeSheetView

        init {
            timeSheetInteractor = TimeSheetInteractorImpl(timeSheetRepository)
            this.timeSheetView = timeSheetView
        }

        A actual fun onCreateView() {...}
        A actual fun onFixStart() {...}
        A actual fun onFixEnd() {...}
        A actual fun onItemClick(item: DateModel) {...}
    }
}
```

# Workaround 1 Scheme



# Try again

Kotlin 1.3.41

Combination of KMP libraries with same ABI for just half a day

Add JS client View

+ backend

# View Interface

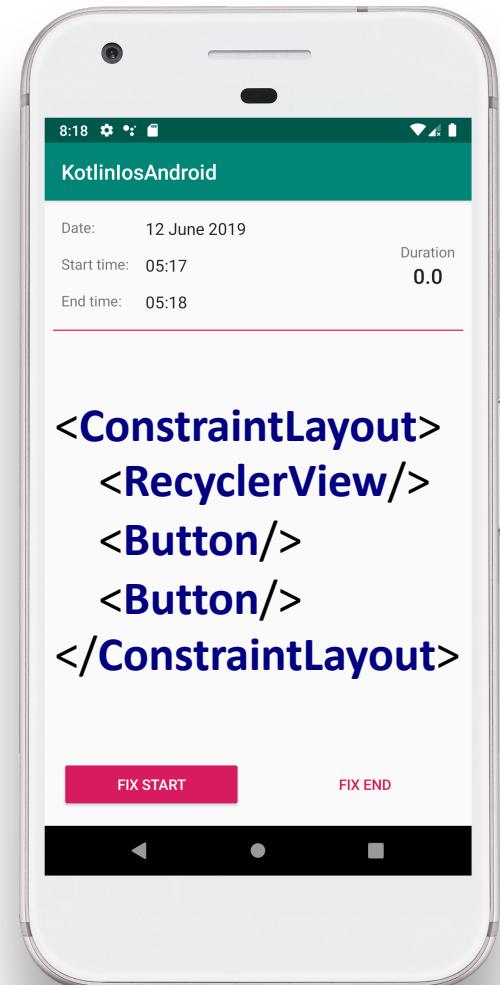
```
interface TimeSheetView {  
    fun addAll(list:List<DateModel>){}  
    fun clear(){}  
    fun showError(message:String){}  
    fun showProgress(){}  
    fun hideProgress(){}  
}
```

# Android View Implementation

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity(), TimeSheetView {  
  
    private lateinit var adapter: SimpleListAdapter  
  
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {  
        ...  
        val presenter = TimeSheetPresenterKmp(this, TimeSheetRepositoryImpl())  
        presenter.onCreateView()  
        setUpButtons(presenter)  
    }  
  
    override fun addAll(list: List<DateModel>) = adapter.addAll(list.map { ... })  
}  
  
override fun clear() = adapter.clearAll()  
  
override fun showError(message: String) {  
    Toast.makeText(this, message, LENGTH_SHORT).show()  
}  
  
override fun showProgress() {...}  
  
override fun hideProgress() {...}  
...  
}
```

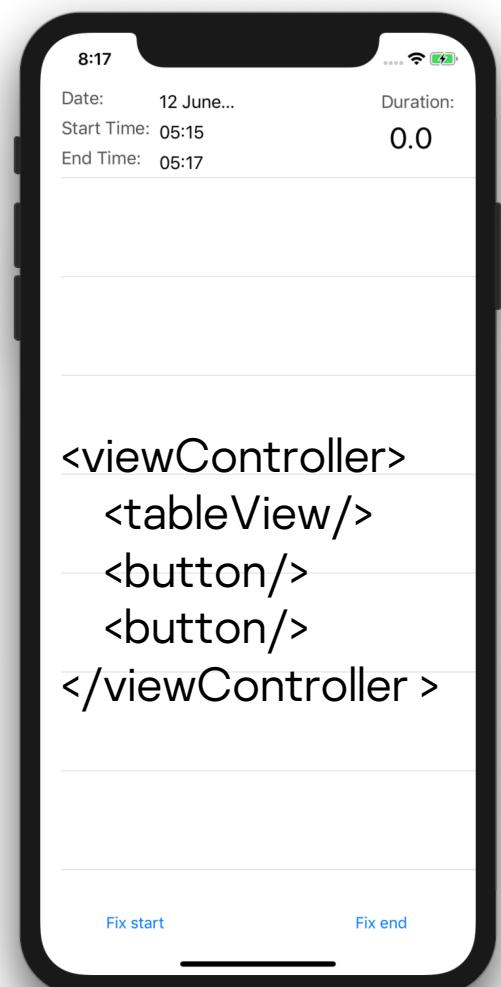
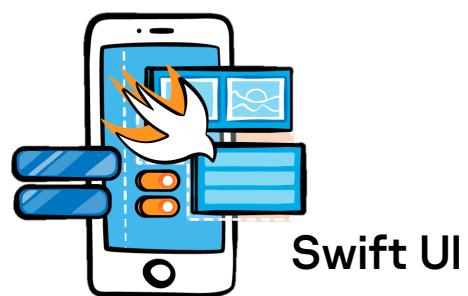


Jetpack Compose



# iOS View Implementation

```
class ViewController: UIViewController, TimeSheetView {  
    @IBAction func onFixStartButton(_ sender: UIButton) { self.presenter?.onFixStart() }  
    @IBAction func onFixEndButton(_ sender: UIButton) { self.presenter?.onFixEnd() }  
  
    override func viewDidLoad() {  
        ...  
        presenter = TimeSheetPresenterKmp(timeSheetView:self,  
                                           timeSheetRepository:TimeSheetRepositoryImplSwift())  
        presenter?.onCreateView()  
    }  
    func addAll(list: [DateModel]) {  
        self.datesList.append(contentsOf: list); tableView.reloadData()  
    }  
    func clear() {  
        self.datesList.removeAll(); tableView.reloadData()  
    }  
    func showError(message: String) {...}  
    func showProgress() {...}  
    func hideProgress() {...}  
    ...  
}
```



```
<viewController>  
  <tableView/>  
  <button/>  
  <button/>  
</viewController>
```

# Web (JS) View Implementation

```
fun main() {
    JsView.init()
}

object JsView : TimeSheetView {
    fun init() {
        window.onload = {

            val presenter = TimeSheetPresenterKmp(this, TimeSheetRepositoryImpl()) //create presenter
            presenter.onCreateView()

            document.body!!.append.div {//create buttons
                button {
                    onClickFunction = presenter.onFixStart()
                    style = greenButtonStyle
                    +"Fix start"
                }
            } //create list
        }
    }

    override fun addAll(list: List<DateModel>) {
        list.forEach{
            document.body?.append?.div(classes = divClass) {
                style = divStyle
                p(classes = spanClass) {
                    +"Date: ${it.date}"
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Fix start

Fix end

Date: 4 September 2019

Time: 02:56 - 02:56

Duration: 0.0

---

Date: 4 September 2019

Time: 02:56 - ~

Duration: ~

---

<- kotlinx.html

See also: <https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlin-frontend-plugin>  
<https://github.com/JetBrains/create-react-kotlin-app>

# Backend (JVM)



Netty Server

```
routing {  
    get("/") {  
        call.respondHtml{  
            head {  
                title("Hello from Ktor!")  
            }  
            body {  
                script(src = "/static/KotlinlosAndroid-SharedCode.js") {}  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    static("/static") {  
        resource("KotlinlosAndroid-SharedCode.js")  
    }  
}
```

# Expect + Actual Mechanism

## Workaround 2

- ◆ E **expect val *uiScope***: CoroutineScope
- ◆ E **expect val *processScope***: CoroutineScope
- ◆ E **expect val *netScope***: CoroutineScope

<https://github.com/chris-hatton/kotlin-multiplatform-template/>



# Expect + Actual Mechanism

- ◆ A **actual val** *uiScope*: CoroutineScope = *MainScope()*
- ◆ A **actual val** *processScope*: CoroutineScope = GlobalScope
- ◆ A **actual val** *netScope*: CoroutineScope = GlobalScope

# Expect + Actual Mechanism

iOS

- ◆ A **actual val** *uiScope*: CoroutineScope = *createMainScope()*
- ◆ A **actual val** *processScope*: CoroutineScope = *createMainScope()*
- ◆ A **actual val** *netScope*: CoroutineScope = *createMainScope()*

**private fun** *createMainScope()* {...}

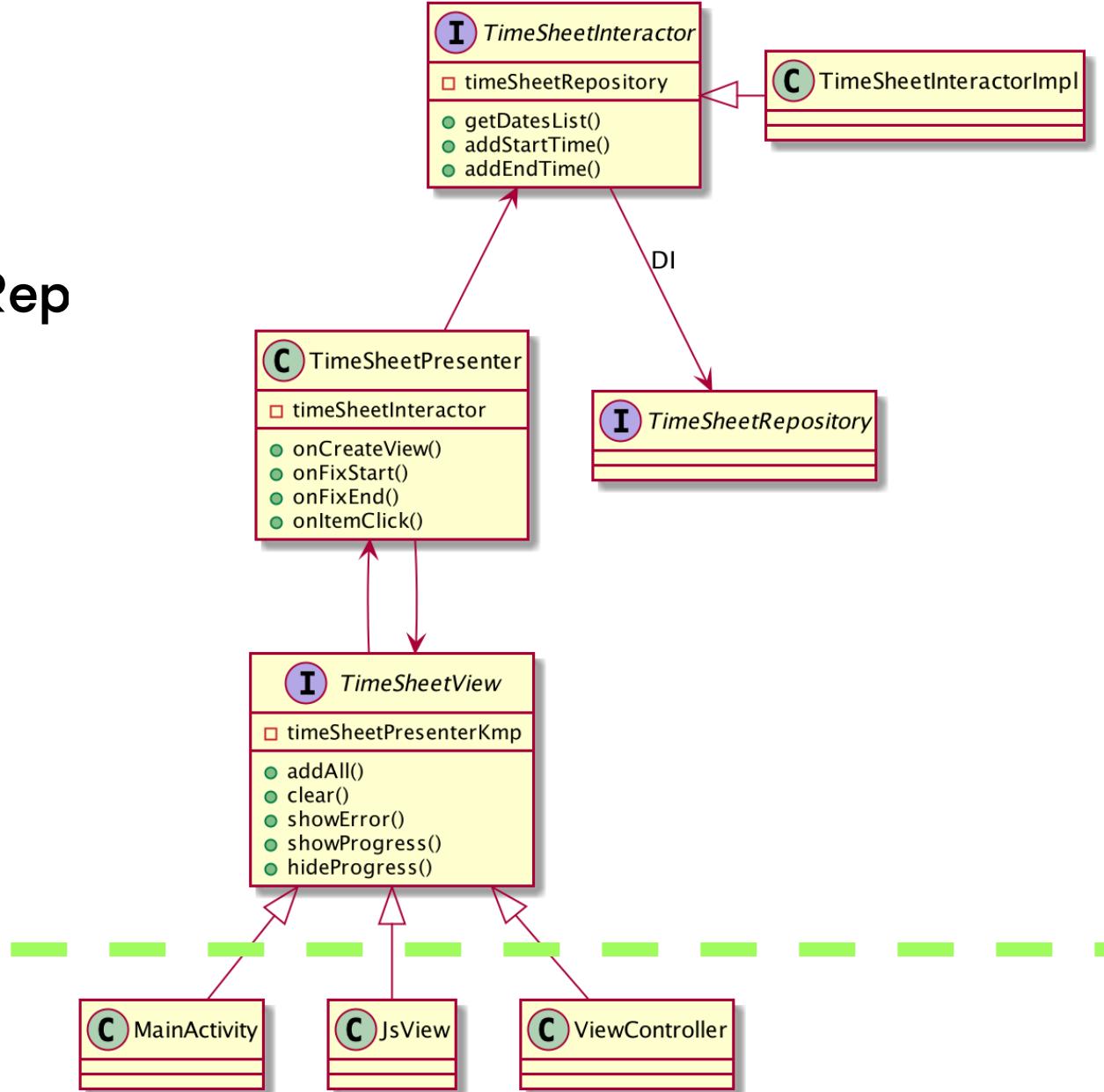
# Common code

Add new client == Implement View + Rep

Native Views

Access to platform services

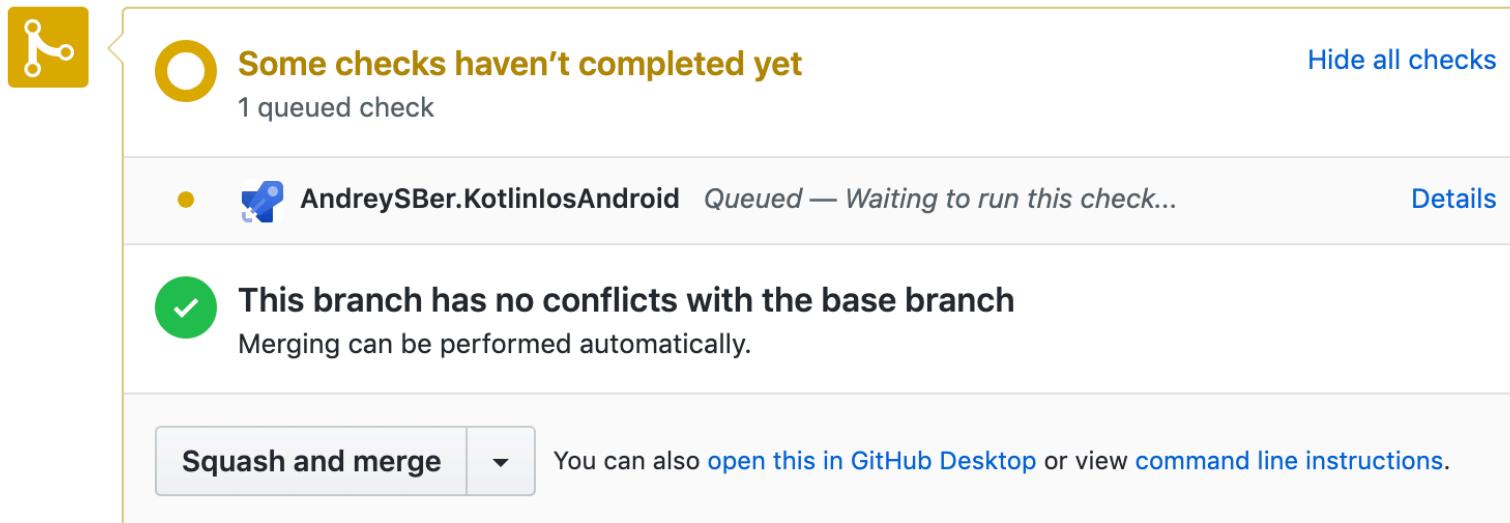
Business logic reuse



# CI

<https://dev.azure.com>

tasks: 'app:assembleDebug packForXCode jsBrowserWebpack backend:jar'



Some checks haven't completed yet

1 queued check

AndreySBer.KotlinlosAndroid Queued — Waiting to run this check... Details

This branch has no conflicts with the base branch

Merging can be performed automatically.

Squash and merge ▾ You can also open this in GitHub Desktop or view command line instructions.

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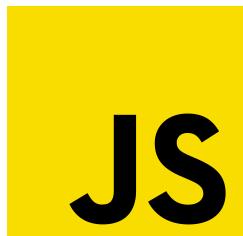
# Gradle + Artefacts



implementation project(':**SharedCode**') ~35KB

iOS

task packForXCode => SharedCode.framework ~6.8MB



jsBrowserWebpack => SharedCode.js ~12MB

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Useful links/examples

# KotlinConf Schedule Application <-MVP

<https://github.com/JetBrains/kotlinconf-app>

- Android
- iOS
- Backend



# MPP with MVI sample

<https://github.com/badoo/Reaktive>

- Android
- iOS
- JS
- Linux X64
- Interesting lib for Rx





# Ktor Samples of MPP

<https://github.com/ktorio/ktor-samples>

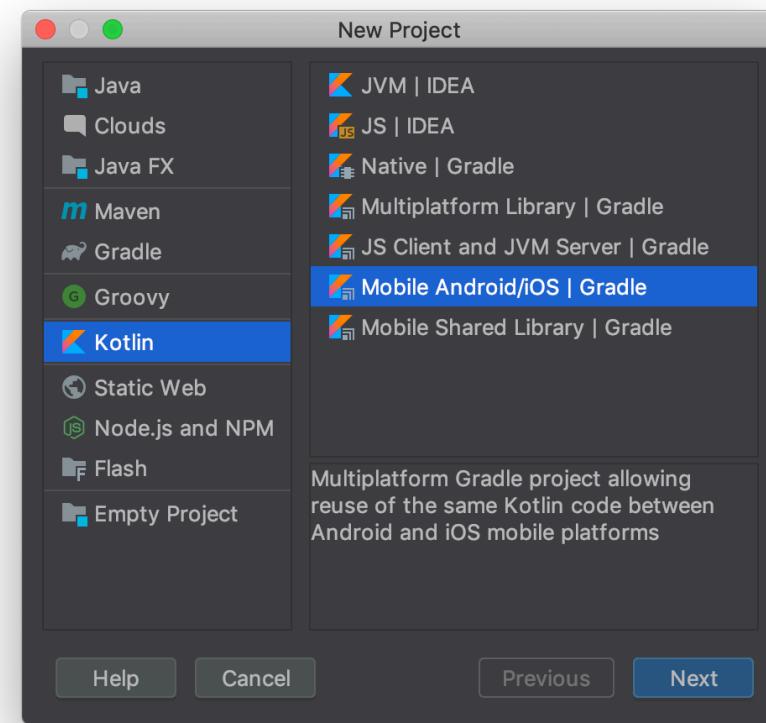
<https://github.com/ktorio/ktor/tree/master/ktor-client>

<https://ktor.io/>

# IntelliJ IDEA project templates

Samples of MPP projects

Different in different versions of IDE





# Kotlin Multiplatform

## Kotlin compiler

Compiles into:

- JVM bytecode (Android, Backend),
- JavaScript,
- Native (iOS, ...)

## Native UI

UI is made by native tools on each platform

- + system functions availability

## Experimental

Set of multiplatform libraries

- Coroutines,
- Ktor,
- Serialization,...

## Developers

Android developers

+ Backend developers (Java)

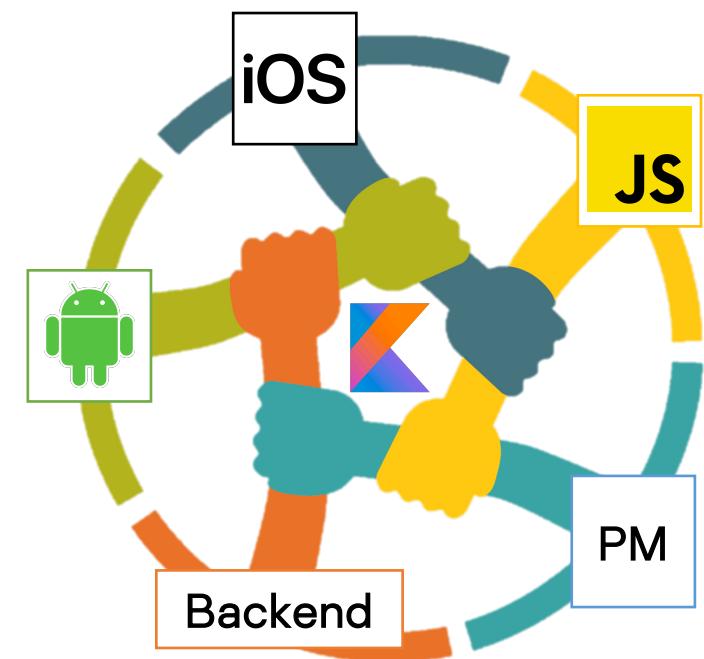
+ Full Java interoperability



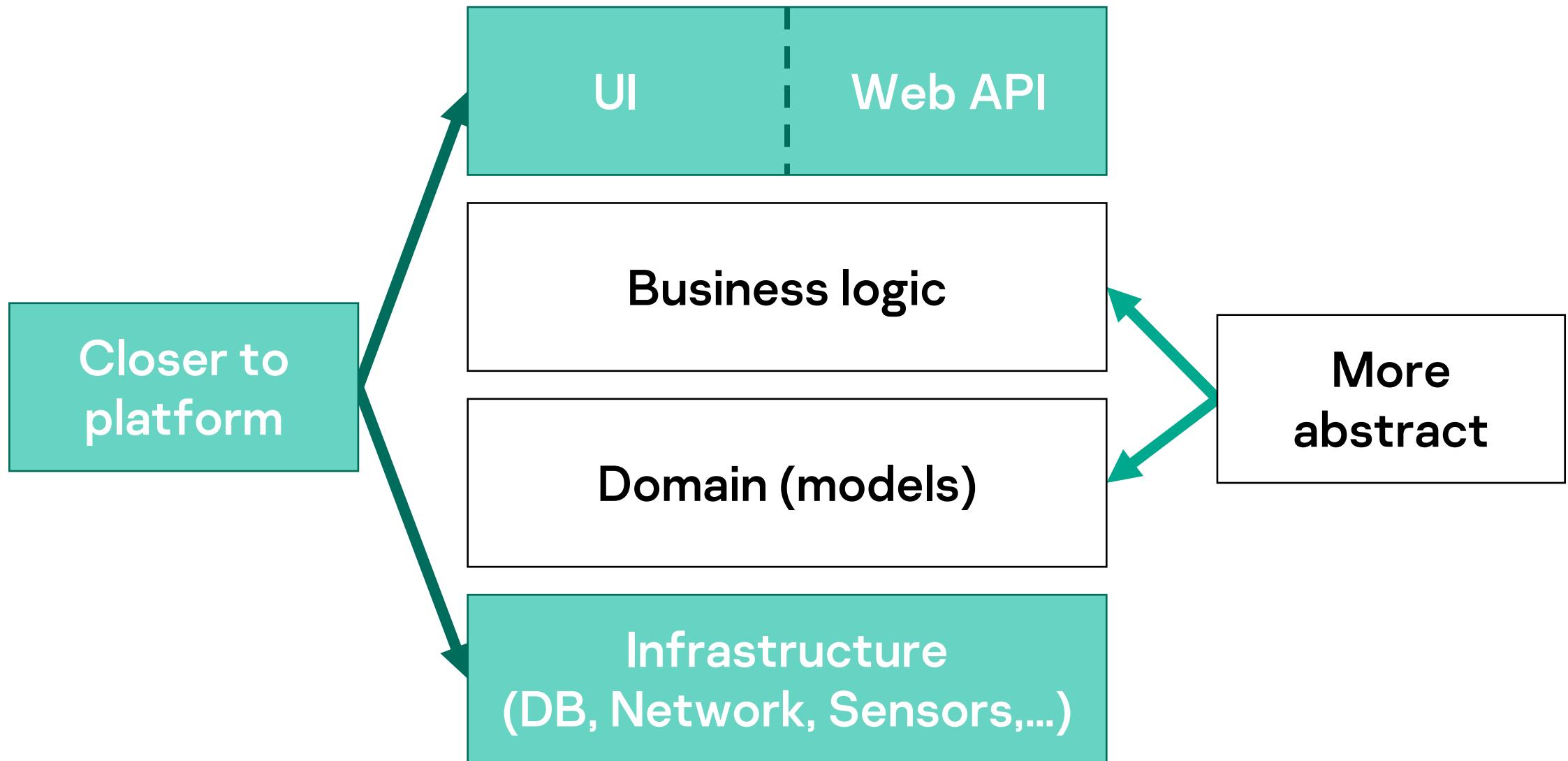
# Comparison to Native Approach

Native layers: UI and Repository => Full access to platform features

- Android/Backend => All the same
- Web => Developers seem happy
- iOS => Another world + Pain



# High-level architecture of applications



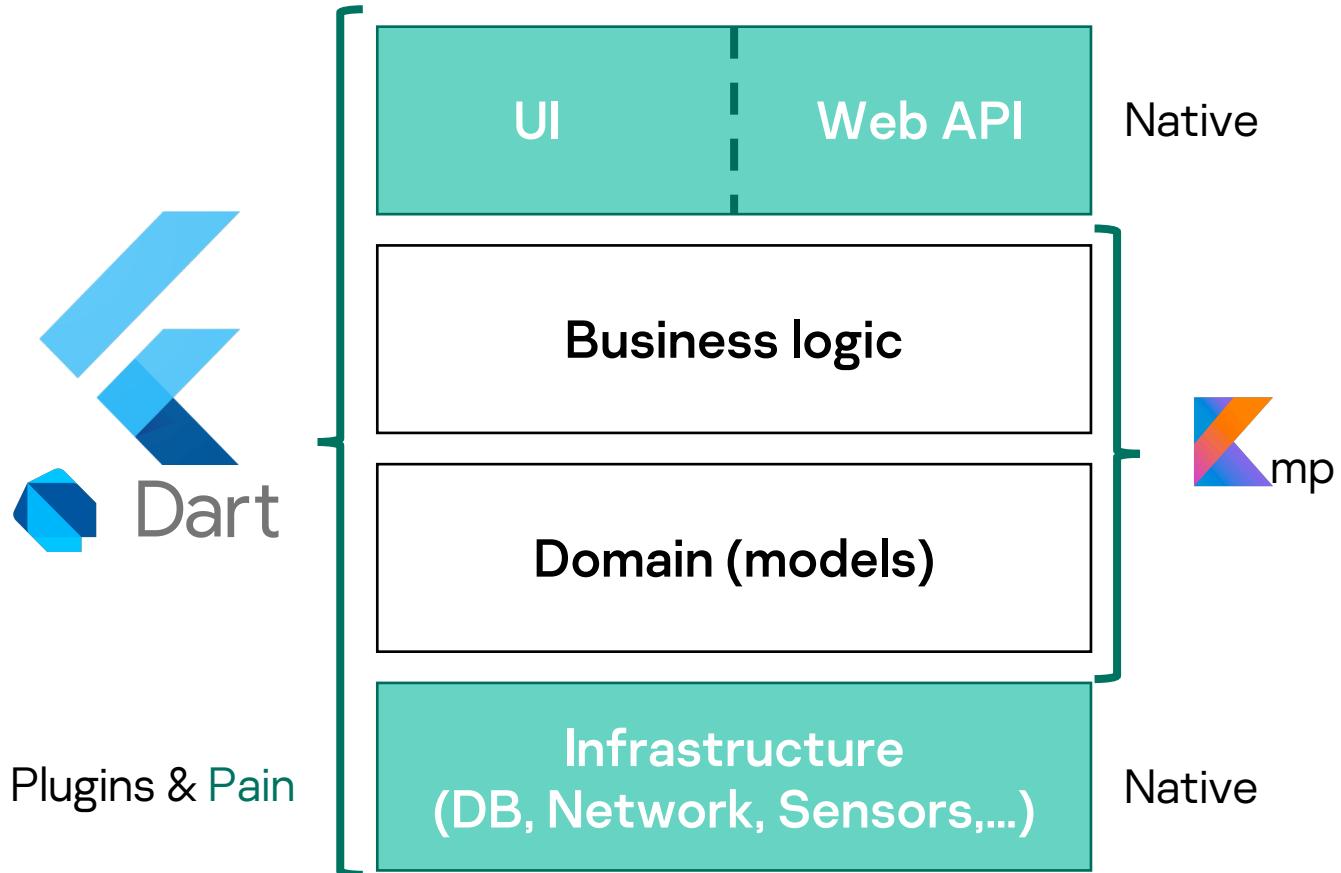
# Comparison to Flutter

UI Widgets library

No minSdk limit

Why Dart; not Kotlin?

```
import flutter.material.*  
  
fun main() = runApp(MyApp())  
  
class MyApp : StatelessWidget {  
    fun build(context: BuildContext) = MaterialApp {  
        title = "Welcome to Flutter"  
        scaffold {  
            appBar = AppBar(title = "Welcome to Flutter")  
            center {  
                text("Hello World")  
            } } } }
```



<https://hackernoon.com/why-flutter-uses-dart-dd635a054ebf>

<https://blog.kotlin-academy.com/flutter-and-kotlin-multiplatform-relationship-890616005f57>

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# Kaspresso

Android UiTest framework based  
on Espresso, UIAutomator and Kakao



<https://github.com/KasperskyLab/Kaspresso>

<https://youtu.be/cTykctRSmuA>