



UI TESTING FOR ANDROID  
***espresso***

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# ***Espresso Background***

Android Ui Testing Library developed internally at Google

Open sourced October 2013

Espresso 2.0 released December 2015

Added to Support Library and Android Open Source Project (AOSP)

Documentation moved to [d.android.com](https://d.android.com)

# ***Similar Libraries and Frameworks***

Robotium

Selendroid

Appium

Calabash

Why



?

# *So you don't have to deal with:*

```
// set up an ActivityMonitor
getInstrumentation().addMonitor(aMonitor);

// run something on the main thread
getInstrumentation().runOnMainSync(new Runnable() {
    @Override
    public void run() {
        ...
    }
});

// wait for the main thread to become idle
getInstrumentation().waitForIdleSync();

// yuck!
Thread.sleep(10000);
```

# ***Espresso abstracts the instrumentation Api***

Smaller simpler API

More reliable tests

Faster tests

Synchronization of Ui Events

Very extendable



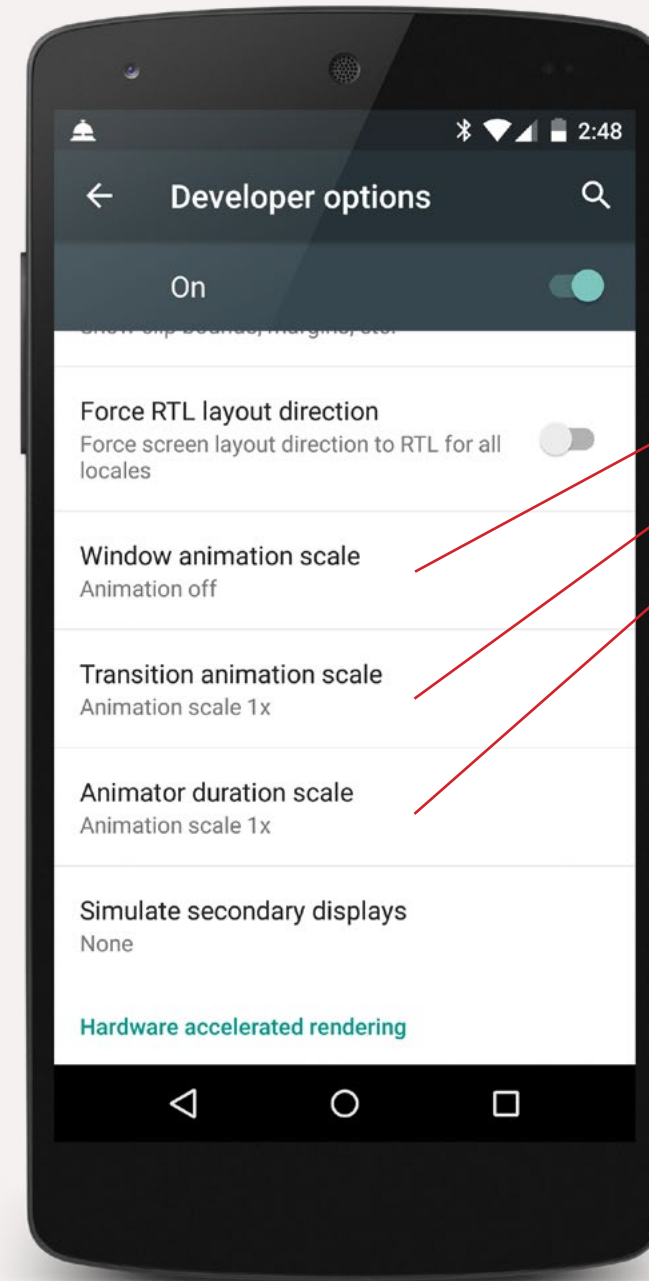
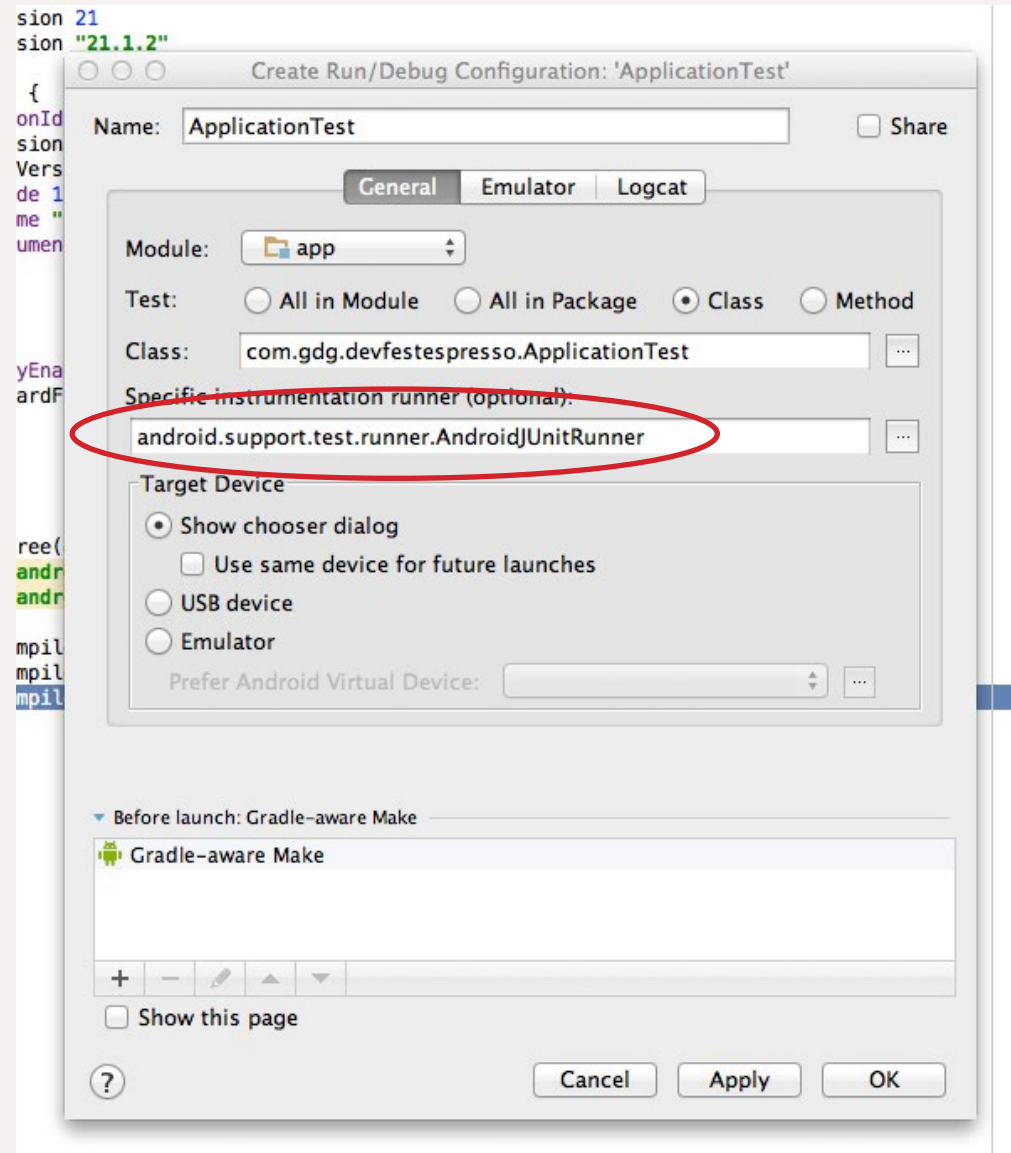
***Setup***



# Gradle setup:

```
android {  
    ...  
    defaultConfig {  
        targetSdkVersion 21  
        versionCode 1  
        versionName "1.0"  
        testInstrumentationRunner "android.support.test.runner.AndroidJUnitRunner"  
    }  
  
    packagingOptions {  
        exclude 'LICENSE.txt'  
    }  
    ...  
}  
dependencies {  
    // App's dependencies, including test  
    compile 'com.android.support:support-annotations:21.+'  
  
    // Testing-only dependencies  
    androidTestCompile 'com.android.support.test:testing-support-lib:0.1'  
    androidTestCompile 'com.android.support.test.espresso:espresso-core:2.+'  
    // optional  
    androidTestCompile 'com.android.support.test.espresso:espresso-contrib:+'  
}
```

# Run Configuration



Off

# Example Test:

```
class ActivityTest extends ActivityInstrumentationTestCase2<MainActivity>
{

    public MainActivityTest() {
        super(MainActivity.class);
    }

    @Override
    public void setUp() throws Exception {
        super.setUp();
        getActivity();
    }

    public void testHeader() {
        onView(withText(R.string.dev_fest)).check(matches(isDisplayed()));
    }
}
```

# *The Espresso API*

Espresso Entry Point

// finding view

**onView(withId(R.id.dev\_fest))**

View Matchers

// performing action

**.perform(click())**

View Actions

// asserting state

**.check(matches(isDisplayed()))**

View Assertions

# ***View Matchers***

Based on Hamcrest matchers ([hamcrest.org](http://hamcrest.org))

Filters views for finding single view (**onView**)

Filters views for assertions (**check**)

**ViewMatchers** class implements Android specific  
Matchers

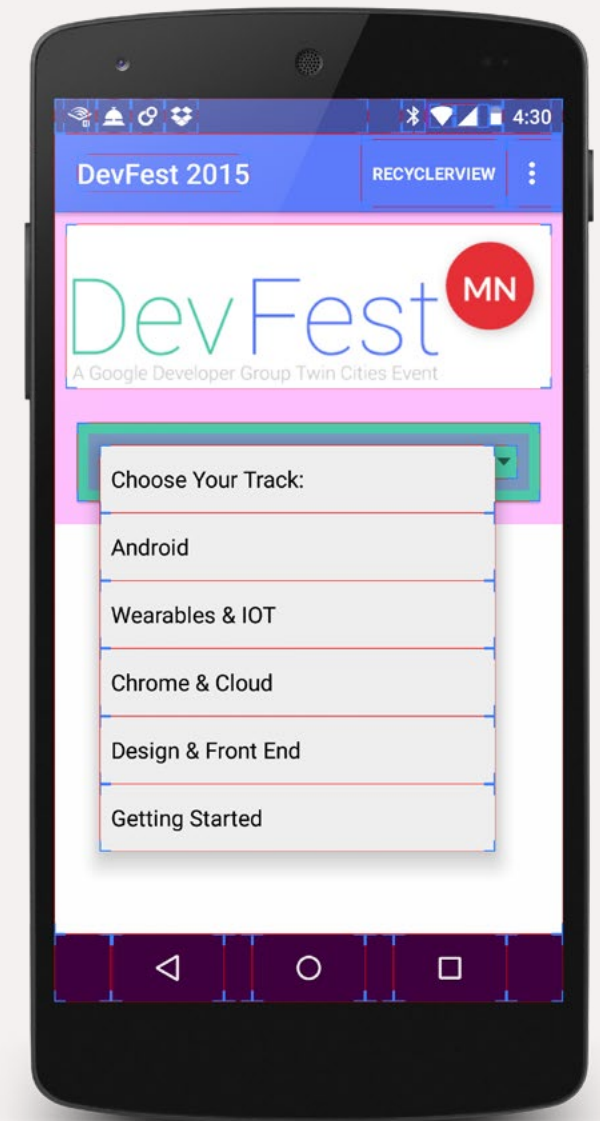
# *Finding Your View*

```
// Most of time you'll simply use an id  
onView(withId(R.id.dev_fest))
```

```
// No id? Or maybe the id isn't unique  
onView(withText(R.string.dev_fest))  
onView(withHint(R.string.dev_fest))
```

```
// Better yet, be clever and accessible  
onView(withContentDescription("Dev Fest Image"))
```

```
// Be tricky with combinations  
onView(allOf(withId(R.id.dev_fest), withText(R.string.dev_fest)))  
onView(allOf(withId(R.id.dev_fest), not(withText(R.string.dev_fest))))  
// allOf and not via hamcrest
```



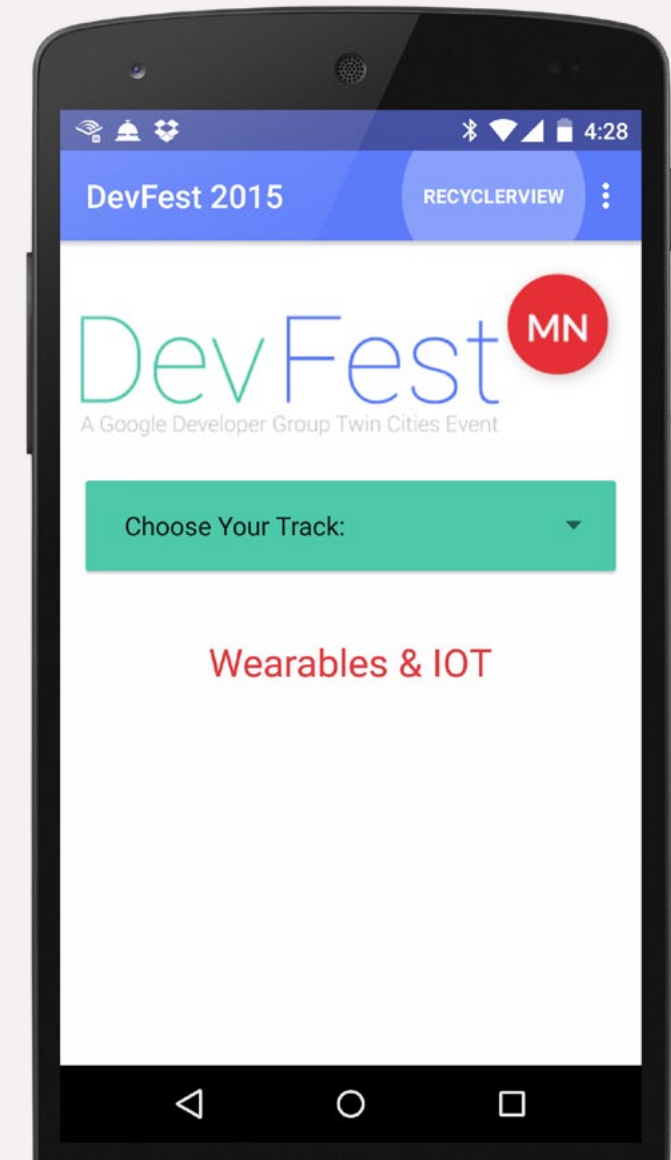
# *View Actions*

`onView(...).perform(final ViewAction... viewActions)`

Performs natural actions on views

Runs on the Ui Thread

**ViewActions** class implements most common view actions





# *Performing Actions*

// Click a view

```
onView(withId(R.id.dev_fest)).perform(click());
```

// You can chain them ...

```
onView(...).perform(click()).perform(swipeUp());
```

// ... but you also execute multiple actions with one call

```
onView(...).perform(click(), typeText("android"), closeSoftKeyboard());
```

// inside ScrollView? preced actions with scrollTo

```
onView(...).perform(scrollTo(), click());
```

// scrollTo has no effect if view is already visible

# ***View Assertions***

```
onView(...).check(ViewAssertion viewAssert)
```

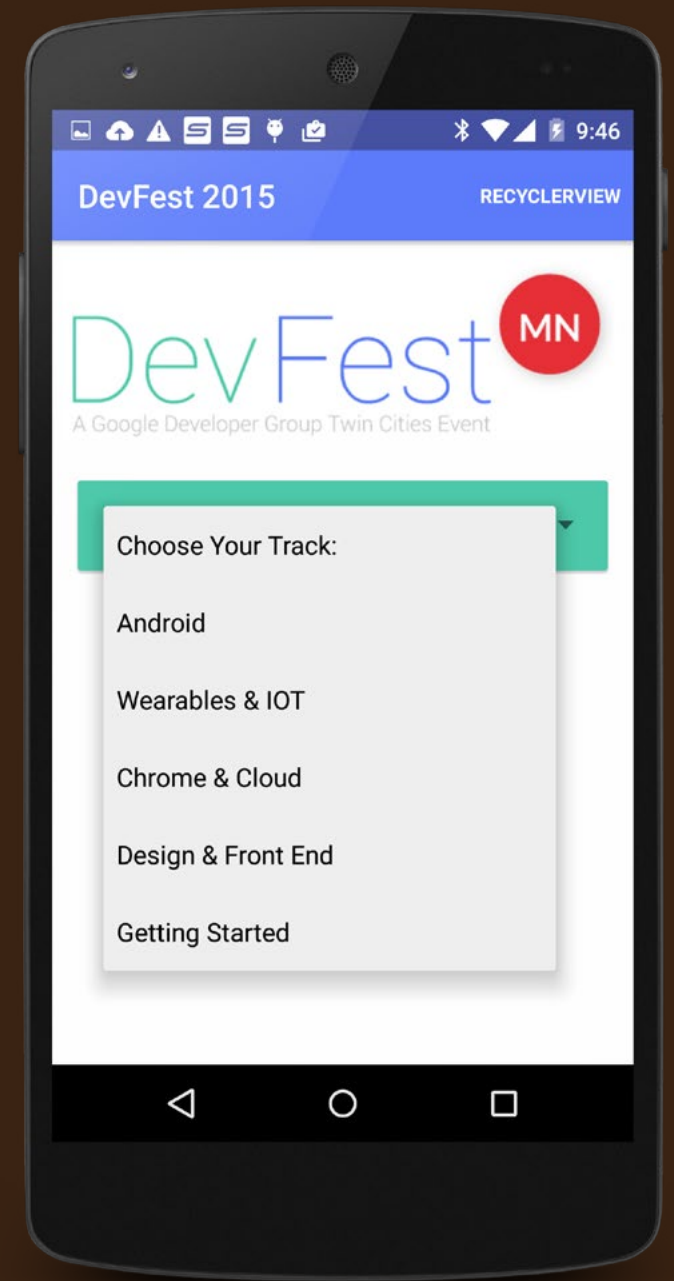
**ViewAssertions** class implements *matches* which is the ViewAssertion you will use most of the time

```
onView(...).check(matches(Matcher matcher));
```

Use **ViewMatchers** class again to assert that view's state

```
onView(...).check(matches(withText(R.string.dev_fest)));
```

# ***What About AdapterViews?***



# *AdapterViews*

Only a subset of the AdapterView children may be loaded into the current view hierarchy.

If you know your view will be displayed, you can use `onView`.

Or use `onData` to load the adapter item prior to operating on it

```
onData(allOf(is(instanceOf(String.class)), is("GDG"))).perform(click());
```

RecyclerView is not an AdapterView

# Example App

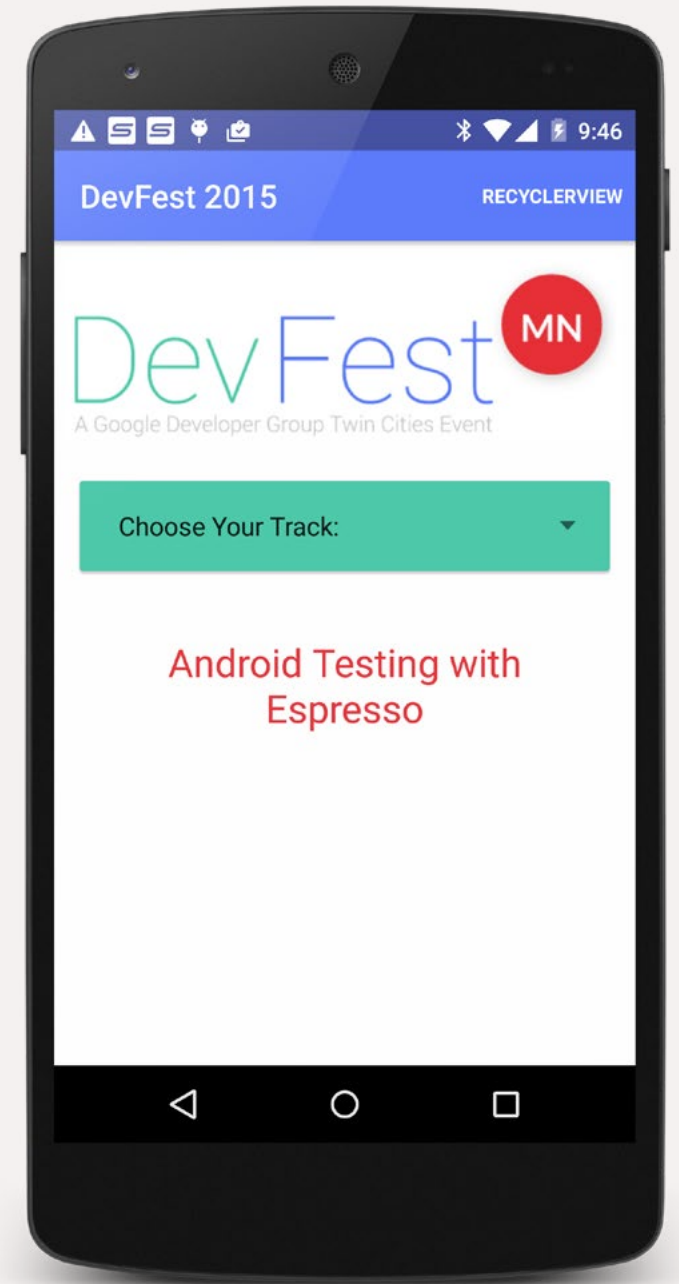
```
public class MainActivityTest extends ActivityInstrumentationTestCase2<MainActivity> {

    public MainActivityTest() {
        super(MainActivity.class);
    }

    @Override
    public void setUp() throws Exception {
        super.setUp();
        getActivity();
    }

    public void testHeader() {
        // test is image displayed
        String test = getActivity().getString(R.string.dev_fest_image);
        onView(withContentDescription(test)).check(matches(isDisplayed()));
    }

    public void testSpinner() {
        // click spinner
        onView(withId(R.id.spinner)).perform(click());
        // click view from choices now on screen
        onData(allOf(is(instanceOf(String.class)), is("Android"))).perform(click());
        // assert text has changed
        onView(withId(R.id.test_results)).check(matches(withText(R.string.android)));
    }
}
```



# ***Synchronization***

***Main Ui Thread***

**Vs**

***Instrumentation Thread***



# ***Espresso Synchronization***

Espresso waits for UI operations

Waits for the default **AsyncTask** thread pool

Implement the **IdlingResource** to handle all other background operations (i.e. **IntentService**)

```
registerIdlingResources(new DataIdlingResources(...));
```

The **CountingIdlingResource** (from Espresso contrib) can be used for simple counting resources

```
public class DataIdlingResource implements IdlingResource {

    ResourceCallback resourceCallback;

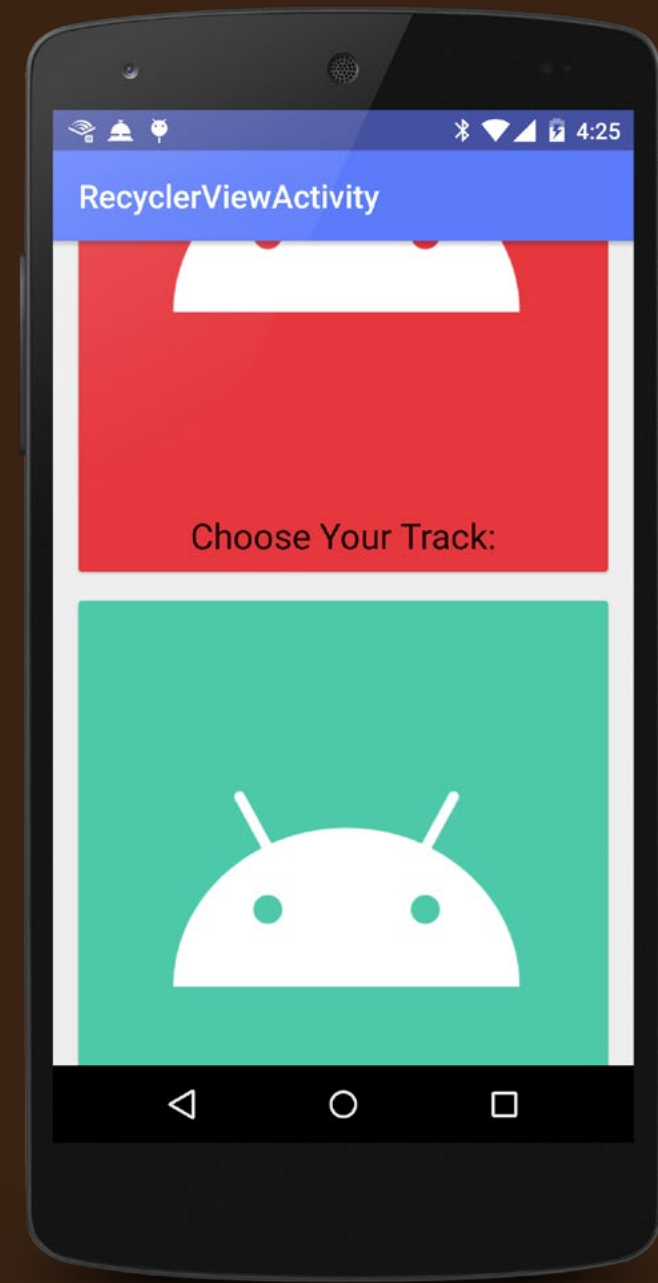
    @Override
    public String getName() {
        // Returns the name of the resources (used for logging and idempotency of registration)
        return "DataIdlingResource";
    }

    @Override
    public boolean isIdleNow() {
        // add idle logic
        boolean idle = false;
        // when transitioning to idle
        if(idle) {
            resourceCallback.onTransitionToIdle();
        }
        return idle;
    }

    @Override
    public void registerIdleTransitionCallback(ResourceCallback resourceCallback) {
        this.resourceCallback = resourceCallback;
    }
}
```



# *RecyclerView, and...*



# *RecyclerView*

It's not an adapterView so can't use `OnData`

Use `onView` to match your `RecyclerView` and then use **`RecyclerViewActions`** from Espresso contrib to perform View Actions.

```
// click item at position 0
onView(withId(R.id.recyclerView))
    .perform(RecyclerViewActions.actionOnItemAtPosition(0, click()));
```

```
// scroll to item so you can onView(...) it
onView(withId(R.id.recyclerView))
    .perform(RecyclerViewActions.scrollToPosition(0));
```

# ***DrawerLayout***

Espresso contrib also provides **Matchers** and **DrawerActions** for DrawerLayouts

```
openDrawer(R.id.drawer_layout);
```

```
// The drawer should now be open.
```

```
onView(withId(R.id.drawer_layout)).check(matches(isOpen()));
```

```
closeDrawer(R.id.drawer_layout);
```

```
// Drawer should be closed again.
```

```
onView(withId(R.id.drawer_layout)).check(matches(isClosed()));
```

# Actionbar

Actionbar items work with onView

```
// Click the item
```

```
onView(withId(R.id.action_item)).perform(click());
```

```
// Open the overflow menu
```

```
openActionBarOverflowOrOptionsMenu(getInstrumentation().getTargetContext());
```

```
// Click the item now displayed
```

```
onView(withText("Overflow 1")).perform(click());
```

Works with Toolbar as well!

# *Pickers*

Use `PickerActions` class with `onView` from Espresso contrib

```
// Time Picker
```

```
onView(withId(R.id.time_pick)).perform(PickerActions.setTime(10,30));
```

```
// Date Picker
```

```
onView(withId(R.id.date_pick)).perform(PickerActions.setDate(1974, 1, 30));
```

# *Testing Tips*

Model tests with an emphasis on time saving. Maximize savings by writing tests as soon as possible.

Test activities individually for quicker tests. Any activity can be the entry point.

```
public class RecyclerViewActivityTest extends  
    ActivityInstrumentationTestCase2<RecyclerViewActivity> {...}
```

Use **AndroidTestCase** for testing that only requires access to an activity and resources. Data storage, Networking, etc..

# ***Further Down the Rabbit Hole***

***Spoon** - distributing instrumentation tests to all your Androids*

***<http://square.github.io/spoon/>***

***Mockito** - mocking framework for unit tests in Java*

***<http://mockito.org/>***

***Dagger** - dependency injector for Android and Java*

***<http://square.github.io/dagger/>***

***AndroidJUnitRunner** - new JUnit3 and JUnit4 test runner*

***<http://d.android.com/reference/android/support/test/runner/AndroidJUnitRunner.html>***