4.1 Buttons and clickable images

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User interaction



Users expect to interact with apps

- Tapping or clicking, typing, using gestures, and talking
- Buttons perform actions
- Other UI elements enable data input and navigation

User interaction design

Important to be obvious, easy, and consistent:

- Think about how users will use your app
- Minimize steps
- Use UI elements that are easy to access, understand, use
- Follow Android best practices
- Meet user's expectations

Buttons

Button

- View that responds to tapping (clicking) or pressing
- Usually text or visuals indicate what will happen when tapped
- State: normal, focused, disabled, pressed, on/off



Responding to button taps

- In your code: Use OnClickListener event listener.
- In XML: use android:onClick attribute in the XML layout:

```
android:id="@+id/button_send"
android:layout_width="wrap_content"
android:layout_height="wrap_content"
android:text="@string/button_send"
android:onClick="sendMessage" />

android:
```

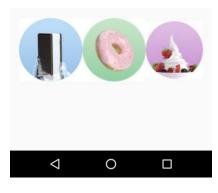
Setting listener with onClick callback

```
Button button = findViewById(R.id.button);
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    public void onClick(View v) {
        // Do something in response to button click
    }
});
```

Clickable images

ImageView

- ImageView with android:onClick attribute
- Image for ImageView in app>src>main>res>drawable
 folder in project



Responding to ImageView taps

- *In your code*: Use OnClickListener event listener.
- In XML: use android:onClick attribute in the XML layout:

```
<ImageView
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:src="@drawable/donut_circle"
    android:onClick="orderDonut"/>
```

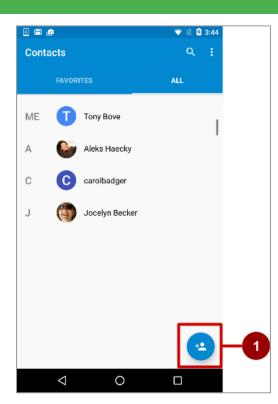
Floating action button

Floating Action Buttons (FAB)

- Raised, circular, floats above layout
- Primary or "promoted" action for a screen
- One per screen

For example:

Add Contact button in Contacts app



Using FABs

- Start with Basic Activity template
- Layout:

FAB size

- 56 x 56 dp by default
- Set mini size (30 x 40 dp) with app:fabSize attribute:
 - o app:fabSize="mini"
- Set to 56 x 56 dp (default):
 - o app:fabSize="normal"

Common Gestures

Touch Gestures

Touch gestures include:

- long touch
- double-tap
- fling
- drag
- scroll
- pinch

Don't depend on touch gestures for app's basic behavior!

Detect gestures

Classes and methods are available to help you handle gestures.

- GestureDetectorCompat class for common gestures
- MotionEvent class for motion events

Learn more

- Input Controls
- Drawable Resources
- Floating Action Button
- Radio Buttons
- Specifying the Input
 Method Type
- Handling Keyboard Input
- Text Fields

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- Fragments
- Input Events
- Pickers
- <u>Using Touch Gestures</u>
- Gestures design guide

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