



MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT (EI-333)

Lecture:04 “BASIC VIEWS”

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WHAT IS A **VIEW**?

View subclasses are basic user interface building blocks

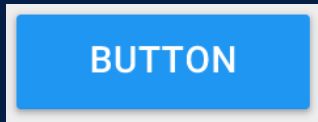
- Display text (TextView class), edit text (EditText class)
- Buttons (Button class), menus, other controls
- Scrollable (ScrollView, RecyclerView)
- Show images (ImageView)
- CheckBox
- RadioButton

etc.

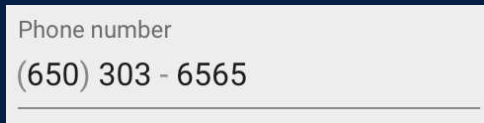


Examples of **VIEW** subclass

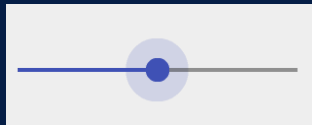
Button



EditText



Slider



CheckBox



RadioButton



Switch



VIEW ATTRIBUTES

- Color, dimensions, positioning
- May have focus (e.g., selected to receive user input)
- May be interactive (respond to user clicks)
- May be visible or not
- Relationships to other views



Attributes

- Every View and ViewGroup object supports their own variety of XML attributes
- Some attributes are specific to a View object , these attributes are inherited by any View objects that extend this class
- Some attributes are common to all View objects, because they are inherited from the root View class
- Other attributes are considered "layout parameters "that describe certain layout orientations of the View object



ID attribute

- Any View object may have an integer ID
- uniquely identify the View within the tree
- the ID is typically assigned in the layout XML file as a string
- This attribute is common to all View objects

```
android:id="@+id/my_button"
```



Using the ID

- The syntax for an ID, inside an XML tag is:

```
android:id="@+id/my_button"
```

- Referencing an Android resource ID:

```
android:id="@android:id/my_button"
```

In the layout.xml file:

```
<Button android:id="@+id/my_button "  
        android:layout_width="wrap_content "  
        android:layout_height="wrap_content "  
        android:text="@string/my_button_text/">
```

In the java code:

```
Button myButton = (Button) findViewById(R.id.my_button);
```



Text View

- Displays text to the user and optionally allows them to edit it
- TextView is a complete text editor, however the basic class is configured to not allow editing



Edit Text

- EditText is a thin veneer over TextView that configures itself to be editable
- Properties:
 - capitalize to have the control capitalize words, the beginning of sentences
 - phoneNumber property if you need to accept a phone number
 - password property if you need a password field
 - single line by setting the singleLine property to true



Button

- Button represents a push-button widget
- Push-buttons can be pressed, or clicked, by the user to perform an action



Button XML declaration

```
<Button android:id="@+id/ccbtn1"  
        android:text="@+string/basicBtnLabel"  
        android:typeface="serif"  
        android:textStyle="bold"  
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
        android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```



Basic Views

- Button
- ImageButton
- CheckBox
- ToggleButton
- RadioButton
- RadioGroup



Button

- Represents a push-button widget

```
<Button android:id="@+id/btnOpen"  
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
        android:text="Open" />
```



ImageButton

- Similar to the Button view, except that it also displays an image

```
<ImageButton android:id="@+id/btnImg1"  
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:src="@drawable/icon" />
```



CheckBox

- A special type of button that has two states: checked or unchecked

```
<CheckBox android:id="@+id/chkAutosave"  
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:text="Autosave" />  
  
<CheckBox android:id="@+id/star"  
    style="?android:attr/starStyle"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```



RadioGroup and RadioButton

- The **RadioButton** has two states: either checked or unchecked. Once a **RadioButton** is checked, it cannot be unchecked.
- A **RadioGroup** is used to group together one or more **RadioButton** views, thereby allowing only one **RadioButton** to be checked within the **RadioGroup**.

```
<RadioGroup android:id="@+id/rdbGp1"
  android:layout_width="fill_parent"
  android:layout_height="wrap_content"
  android:orientation="vertical" >
  <RadioButton android:id="@+id/rdb1"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:text="Option 1" />
  <RadioButton android:id="@+id/rdb2"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:text="Option 2" />
</RadioGroup>
```



ToggleButton

- Displays checked/unchecked states using a light indicator

```
<ToggleButton android:id="@+id/toggle1"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```



ProgressBar View

- Provides visual feedback of some ongoing tasks, such as when you are performing a task in the background.
- For example, you might be downloading some data from the Web and need to update the user about the status of the download.

```
<ProgressBar android:id="@+id/progressbar"  
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```



AutoCompleteTextView View

- The AutoCompleteTextView is a view that is similar to EditText (in fact it is a subclass of EditText), except that it shows a list of completion suggestions automatically while the user is typing.

```
<AutoCompleteTextView android:id="@+id/txtCountries"  
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```



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