

Computer Science S-76

Building Mobile Applications

Lecture 4: [Android] Resources, Assets, and Intents
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```
TextView tv = new TextView(this);  
tv.setText("Hello, Android");
```

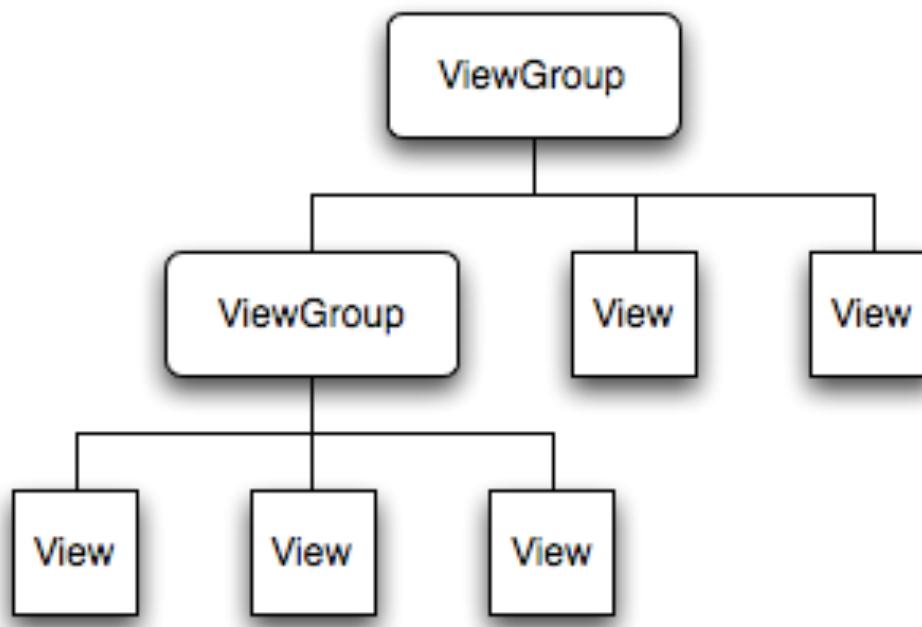
— Or —

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>  
<TextView xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"  
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"  
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"  
    android:text="@string/hello"/>
```

<http://developer.android.com/resources/tutorials/hello-world.html>



Creating a UI



<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/index.html>

Views

Layouts

FrameLayout
Gallery
GridView
LinearLayout
ListView
RelativeLayout
ScrollView
Spinner
SurfaceView
TabHost
TableLayout
ViewFlipper
ViewSwitcher

More: <http://developer.android.com/reference/android/widget/package-summary.html>

Views

Common Layouts

Assets	assets/	read raw bytes via AssetManager
Resources	res/	reference included content via R.java



Resources and Assets

res/anim/	XML files for frame-by-frame animation
res/drawable/	images compiled and optimized
res/layout/	XML files for screen layouts
res/values/	compiled XML files into different resource
res/xml/	arbitrary XML files
res/raw/	raw, uncompiled files

Resources

Additional Information

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/resources/index.html>

Resources

Additional Information

res/drawable-[lang]-[screen dimensions]
- [wide/tall screen]-[orientation]
- [pixel density]-[touchscreen type]
- [keyboard]-[text input method]-...

Eg: **res/drawable-en-rUS-port-mdpi-finger**

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/resources/resources-i18n.html#AlternateResources>

Resources

Localization

px	Standard physical pixel
in	Inches, based on physical size of screen
mm	Millimeters, based on screen size
pt	Points, 1/72 of an inch based on screen size
dp	Density-independent Pixel. Relative pixel size vs 160dpi screen
sp	Scale-independent pixel. Like dp, but scaled by user's font size pref (use for specifying font)

Resources

Dimension measurements

Intents launch:
Activities
Services
Broadcasts

Intents

A bundle of information

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