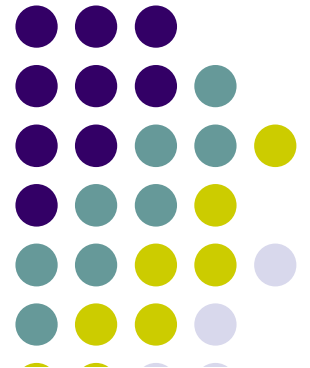


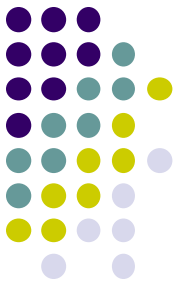
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Custom Views

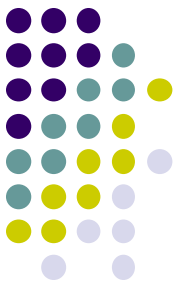
- The Android framework provides several **default views**.
- The base **class a view** is the **View**.
- **Views** are responsible for **measuring, layouting** and **drawing** themselves and their child elements.
- **Views** are also responsible for **saving their UI state** and **handling touch events**.
- Developers can also create **Custom Views** and use them in their application.



Create Custom Views

It is possible to create **Custom Views** by:

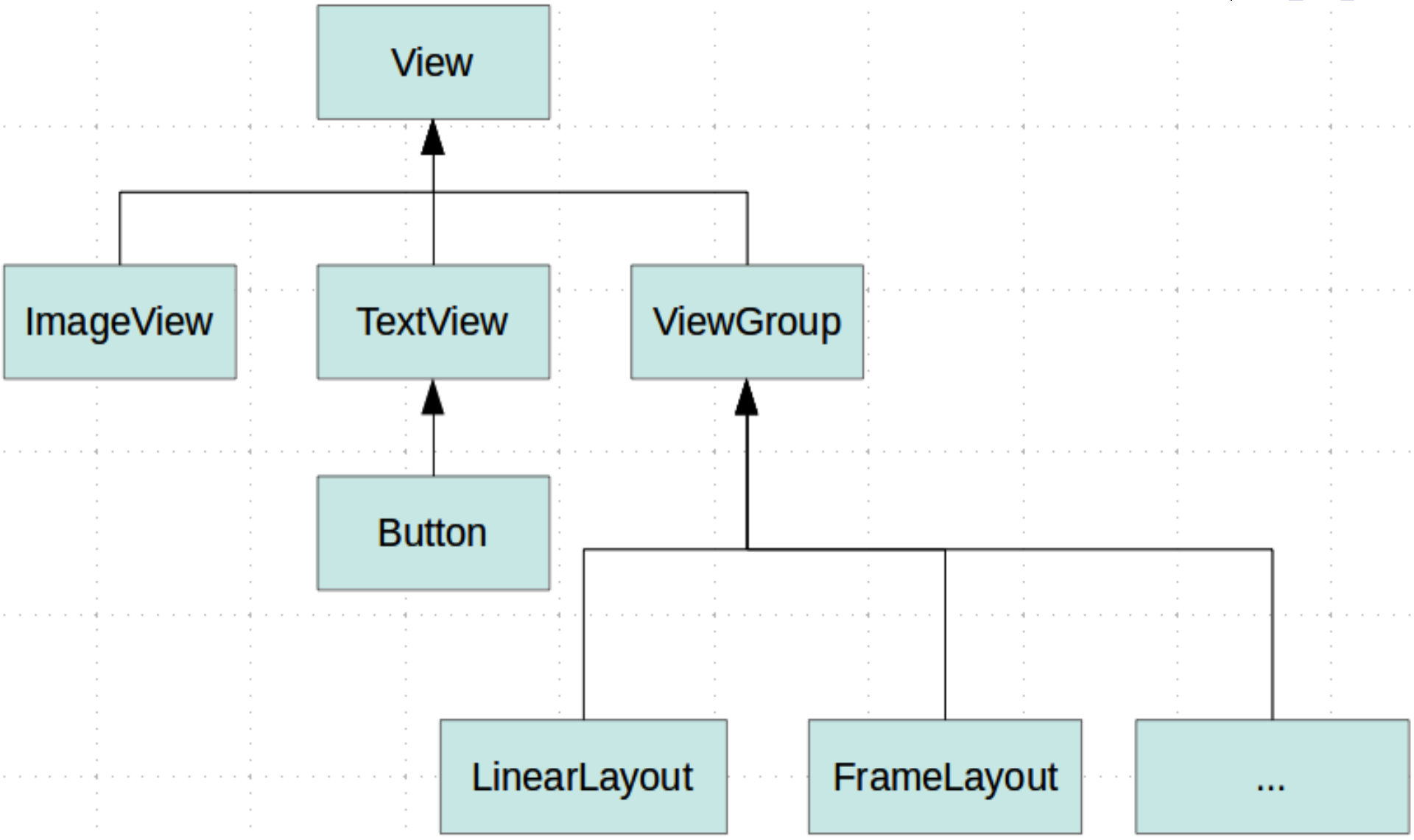
- **Compound views** - combining views with a default wiring.
- **Custom views** - creating your own views
 - by **extending** an existing **view**, e.g. **Button**
 - by **extending** the **View class**



Compound Views

- **Compound views** (also known as **Compound Components**) are pre-configured **ViewGroups** based on existing **views** with some predefined **view interaction**.
- **Compound views** also allow you to add **custom API** to **update** and **query** the state of the compound view.

Default View Hierarchy Of Android



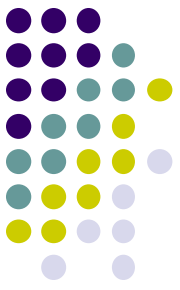
How Android draws the view hierarchy



- Once an **activity** receives the focus, it must provide the **root node** of its **layout hierarchy** to the Android system. Afterwards the **Android system starts the drawing procedure**.
- **Drawing** begins with the root node of the **layout**.

Drawing the layout is a two pass process:

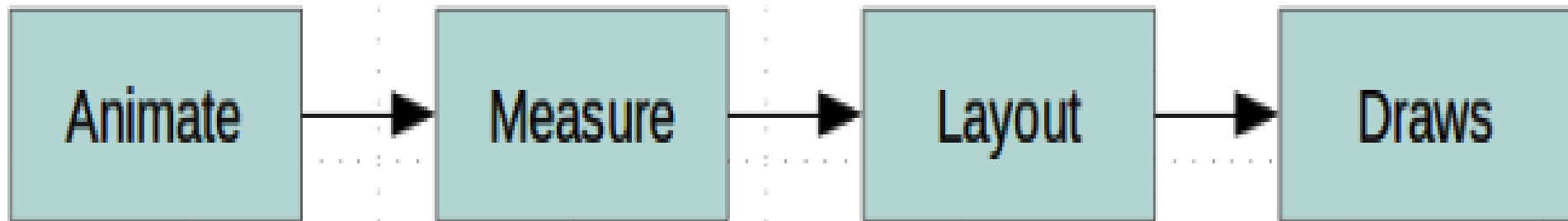
- **measuring pass** - implemented in the `measure(int, int)` method.
Every view stores its measurements.
- **layout pass** - implemented in the `layout(int, int, int, int)` method.
During this phase each **layout manager** is responsible for positioning all of its children. It uses the sizes computed in the **measure pass**.



Life cycle of a Android view

Traversal life cycle events

- **onMeasure()** method determines the **size** for the **view** and its children.
- **onLayout()** positions the **views** based on the result of the **onMeasure()** method call.

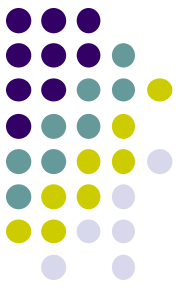




Creating custom views

- **By extending** the **View class** or one of its **subclasses** you can create your **custom view**.
- **For drawing view** use the **onDraw()** method. In this method you receive a **Canvas object** which allows you to perform drawing operations on it, e.g. **draw lines, circle, text** or **bitmaps**.

Using new views in layout files



- **Custom** and **compound** views can be used in layout files.
- For this you need to use **the full qualified name in the layout file**, e.g. using the **package** and **class** name.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
```

```
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"  
    android:layout_width="match_parent"  
    android:layout_height="match_parent"  
    android:orientation="vertical" >
```

```
    <de.vogella.android.ownview.MyDrawView  
        android:id="@+id/myDrawView1"  
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
        android:layout_height="wrap_content" />
```

```
</LinearLayout>
```

Define additional attributes for your custom Views



- To define additional attributes create an *attrs.xml* file in your *res/values* folder.
- The following shows an **example** of attributes defined for a new view called **ColorOptionsView**.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
```

```
<resources>
```

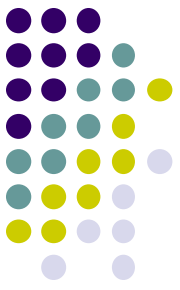
```
  <declare-styleable name="ColorOptionsView">
```

```
    <attr name="titleText" format="string"  localization="suggested" />
```

```
    <attr name="valueColor" format="color" />
```

```
  </declare-styleable>
```

```
</resources>
```



Create A Custom View

There are **TWO WAYS** of making custom views in Android:

1. Extending the **View class**- Building the view from scratch
2. Extending **already existing views (TextViews, LinearLayouts Etc)**

In this Exercise, we will be focusing on the first way of making custom views.

1. How to make **basic shapes** using Custom Views
2. How to add **custom attributes** to your Custom Views
3. How to make **shape manipulations** using Custom Views (***increase/decrease shape size, change shape color using functions***)

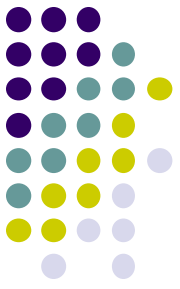
Exercise1:

Make Basic Shapes



1. **Create** a new *Android Studio project* and select *Empty Activity* template. At this point you should only have one class named “*MainActivity*” inside your project.
2. **Create** a new class, name it “*MyCustomView*”, and extend in by *View class*.
3. **At this point**, android Studio will prompt you to an **error** to create *constructor(s) matching super*. **On clicking the prompt**, you should select all the options for the constructor.

Make Basic Shapes cont



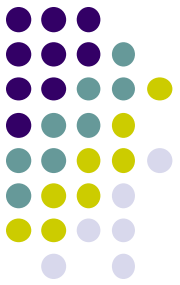
4. **create** a new function *void init(@Nullable AttributeSet set)* with **blank body** and make all the constructors access this function by calling *init(attrs)* on all constructors (except you have to pass **null** in the first constructor)
5. **Override** the *onDraw(Canvas canvas)* in this class. **In this function you have to:**
 - **Create** a new *Paint* object and assign a **color** to it,
 - **Create** a *Rect* object and assign *left, right, top, bottom* coordinates to it
 - then **call** *canvas.drawRect(your rect object, your paint object)*.
6. **Last step:** Add your **custom view** to the *activity_main.xml*.

```
package com.example.dell.g_custom_view;
```

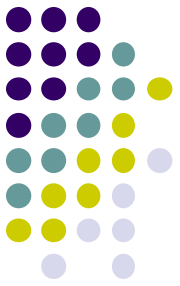
```
import android.content.Context;  
import android.graphics.Canvas;  
import android.graphics.Color;  
import android.graphics.Paint;  
import android.graphics.Rect;  
import android.os.Build;  
import android.support.annotation.Nullable;  
import android.support.annotation.RequiresApi;  
import android.util.AttributeSet;  
import android.view.View;
```

```
public class MyCustomView extends View {  
    public MyCustomView(Context context) {  
        super(context);  
        init(null);  
    }  
}
```

```
public MyCustomView(Context context, @Nullable AttributeSet attrs) {  
    super(context, attrs);  
    init(attrs);  
}
```



```
public MyCustomView(Context context, @Nullable AttributeSet attrs, int
defStyleAttr) {
    super(context, attrs, defStyleAttr);
    init(attrs);
}
```

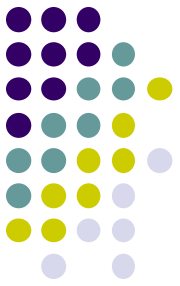
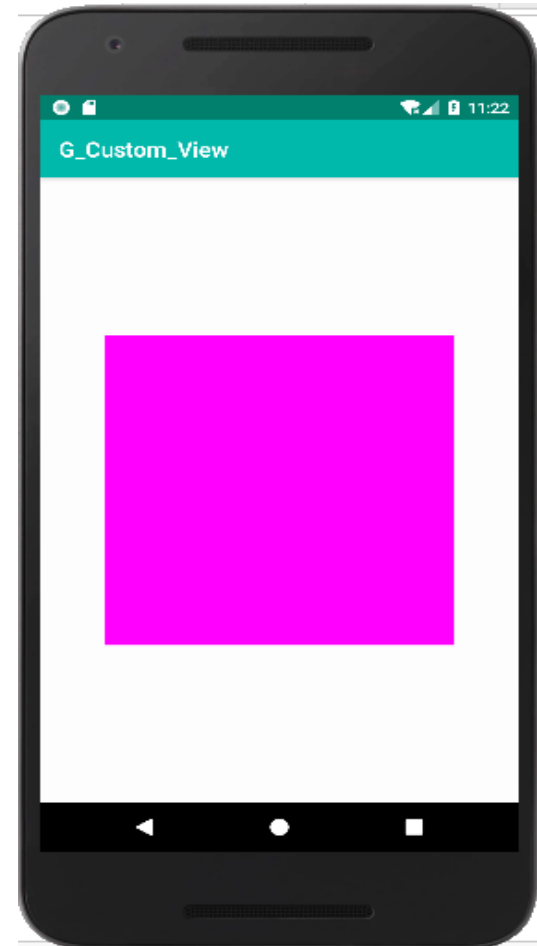


```
@RequiresApi(api = Build.VERSION_CODES.LOLLIPOP)
public MyCustomView(Context context, @Nullable AttributeSet attrs, int
defStyleAttr, int defStyleRes) {
    super(context, attrs, defStyleAttr, defStyleRes);
    init(attrs);
}
```

```
private void init(@Nullable AttributeSet set) {
}
```

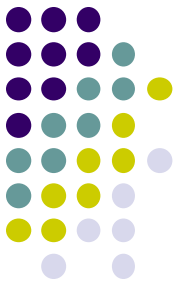
@Override

```
protected void onDraw(Canvas canvas) {  
    super.onDraw(canvas);  
    Paint paint = new Paint(Paint.ANTI_ALIAS_FLAG);  
    paint.setColor(Color.MAGENTA);  
    Rect rect = new Rect();  
    rect.left = 0;  
    rect.right = getWidth();  
    rect.top = 0;  
    rect.bottom = getHeight();  
  
    canvas.drawRect(rect, paint);  
}  
}
```



Add your custom view

activity_main.xml



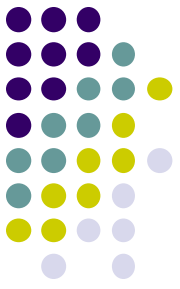
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:app="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-auto"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:gravity="center"
    tools:context="com.example.dell.g_custom_view.MainActivity">

    <com.example.dell.g_custom_view.MyCustomView
        android:layout_width="300sp"
        android:layout_height="300sp" />

</LinearLayout>
```

Exercise2:

Add Custom Attributes



1. Make *mRect* and *mPaint* objects of **Rect** and **Paint** class respectively as *global* to the class. make their *instances in the init() method* that was made. Then replace *rect with mRect, and paint with mPaint*. The warning should be removed by following this step.

- **public class MyCustomView extends View{**

```
    Paint mPaint;
```

```
    Rect mRect;
```

```
    int mSquareColor;
```

Exercise2:

Add Custom Attributes



2. **Now**, to begin adding *custom attributes* to your custom views, you have to first add a *new file* your **“values”** directory and name it **“attrs.xml”**. Inside this xml file, *inside* `<resources>` `</resources>` tags, add a **“declare-styleable”** tag with attribute **“name”** as **MyCustomView** (your custom view class name).

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<resources>
  <declare-styleable name="MyCustomView">
    <attr name="square_color" format="color"/>
  </declare-styleable>
</resources>
```

3. **Inside these tags**, all your custom attributes will be inserted in the form of **key** (**“name=”**) — **value** (**“format=”**) pairs. In our case, we will add a custom attribute named **square_color** with format as **color**.



Add Custom Attributes **cont**

4. **Next**, we need to check in our *init() method* whether the **AttributeSet set** being passed as a parameter is **null or not**. If it is not null, then we obtain a *TypedArray typedArray (say)* by calling *obtainStyledAttributes(set, R.styleable.MyCustomView)* using **getContext();**
5. **Next**, we declare an **int variable mSquareColor** and initialise with the values input through the **TypedArray ta**, also providing the default **color**. Also remember to call **ta.recycle()** once you are done accessing it.

```
private void init(AttributeSet set){
```

```
    mPaint = new Paint(Paint.ANTI_ALIAS_FLAG);
```

```
    mRect = new Rect();
```

```
    if(set == null){
```

```
        return;
```

```
    }
```

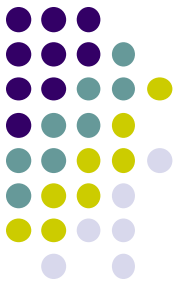
```
    TypedArray ta = getContext().obtainStyledAttributes(set, R.styleable.MyCustomView);
```

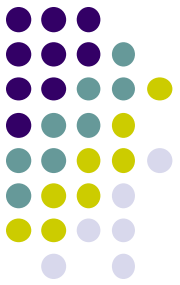
```
    mSquareColor = ta.getColor(R.styleable.MyCustomView_square_color, Color.GREEN);
```

```
    mPaint.setColor(mSquareColor);
```

```
    ta.recycle();
```

```
}
```





Add Custom Attributes **cont**

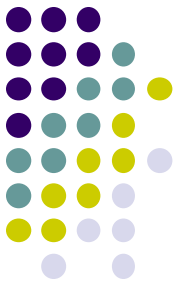
6. **Now** all you need to do is add your custom attribute ***square_color*** to your ***activity_main.xml*** , you will see that the custom view color changes to whatever color you add inside the attribute parameter.

```
<com.example.dell.g_custom_view2_attributes.MyCustomView  
    android:layout_width="300sp"  
    android:layout_height="300sp"  
    app:square_color="@color/colorPrimary"/>
```

- More examples on custom attributes are for **size** of your view, **radius** in case of circle, **text input**, etc.

Exercise:

Create A Compound View



References

