TP: Android - Advanced UI Desgin

Objective

The objective of this practical work is to take a look at the fundamentals of designing an Advanced UI for Android application, namely: **ListView and Menu**. By the help of these fundamentals, we can highlight how to view a collection of data and manipulate an option menu in an UI.

1. Practical Tasks

- (a) Create a new Android Project in Android Studio with a *Empty Activity*, and call it **TP_Adv_UI_desGXXXX**.
- (b) Open the homepage UI and (see 1):
 - i. Modify the layout type to "LinearLayout".
 - ii. Examine the value of attributes: "android:layout_width, android:layout_height and android:orientation" for this layout to match them with the proper values.
 - iii. Drag the following view from the palette(legacy): "ListView" with id attribute value: "mobile_list".
 - iv. Examine the value of attributes: "android:layout_width, android:layout_height" for such view to match them with the proper values.
- (c) Create a separate new Layout XML resource file, with "TextView" as "Root element" and name it as activity_listview.
- (d) Open this file and (see 2)
 - i. Examine the value of attributes: " android :id, android :layout_width, android :layout_height, android :padding " for such view to match them with the indicated values.
- (e) Create a new **menu resource file (Menu as "Resource type")**, and name it as **app_menu**.
- (f) Open this file (from res_ menu)and (see 3)
 - i. Examine the value of attributes: "android:id, android:title, android:icon, app:showAsAction" for each menu item to match them with the indicated values.
- (g) Open MainActivity.java and (see 4):
 - i. Examine the **onCreate() method** for this activity and modify it to perform the view of collection of data (indicated by the string object "mobileArray") as a list (indicated by the **the object "listView"** and the **ListView "mobile_list"** in the **activity layout XML**) by using ArrayAdapter (using the "activity_listview" as the resource id of the **separate layout XML**).

- ii. Override the **onCreateOptionsMenu() method** for this activity to inflate the option menu defined by the menu XML file created above.
- iii. Override the **onOptionsItemSelected() method** for this activity to handle the selection event of menu items.
- (h) Compile and run the app (see 5).

FIGURE 1: Figure of activity_main.xml

Figure 2: Figure of activity_listview.xml

FIGURE 3: Figure of app_menu.XML

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    private static final String TAG = "MainActivity";
    // Array of strings...
    String[] mobileArray = {"Android", "IPhone", "WindowsMobile", "Blackberry",
            "WebOS","Ubuntu","Windows7","Max OS X"};
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
       setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
        ArrayAdapter adapter = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this,
                R.layout.activity_listview, mobileArray);
        ListView listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.mobile_list);
        listView.setAdapter(adapter);
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
        getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.app_menu, menu);
        return true;
    @Override
   public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
        switch (item.getItemId()) {
            case R.id.menu_edition:
                Log.i(TAG, "Clic sur le bouton d'édition");
                return true;
            case R.id.menu_preferences:
                Log.i(TAG, "Clic sur le bouton des préférences");
                return true;
            default:
                return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);
        }
   }
}
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Figure 4: Figure of Main_Activity.java

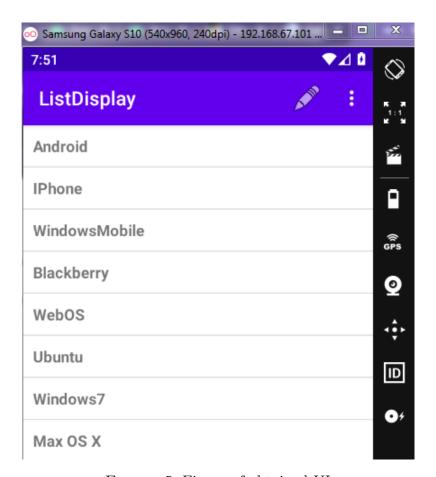


FIGURE 5: Figure of obtained UI