



Flutter for TV



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Mobile



Web



Desktop



Embedded

TV doesn't support by Flutter

Does Flutter support Android TV and Apple TV?

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No support for `Apple TV` or `Android TV` at the moment from `Flutter`, and according to [this thread](#) there is no current plan for that (as of Jul 21, 2018). Actually theoretically, there is nothing stopping you from compiling the project and building `Android TV` app (can't say much about `Apple TV`), the binary will build to the device, but that's just the tip of the iceberg. Since **no official support** is there yet, presumably you'll be on your own if you try.



TV doesn't support by Flutter

Support making Apple TV apps #2058

 Closed Hixie opened this issue on Feb 20, 2016 · 17 comments

Flutter does not support TV device #13633

 Closed coderJohnZhang opened this issue on Dec 16, 2017 · 12 comments

Android TV: No support for getting the focused widget's coordinate #13749

 Closed coderJohnZhang opened this issue on Dec 22, 2017 · 16 comments

How to use flutter for AndroidTV Development #26947

 Closed Scorpiolol opened this issue on Jan 23, 2019 · 1 comment

Crash on Amazon FireTv #33646

 Closed Inkain opened this issue on May 31, 2019 · 3 comments

Roku support #37159

 Open khat33b opened this issue on Jul 29, 2019 · 1 comment

How to publish Flutter apps made for Android TV on PlayStore #48109

 Closed pharshdev opened this issue on Jan 3, 2020 · 8 comments

call to unavailable function 'fork': not available on tvOS #39918

 Open lesnitsky opened this issue on Dec 24, 2019 · 15 comments

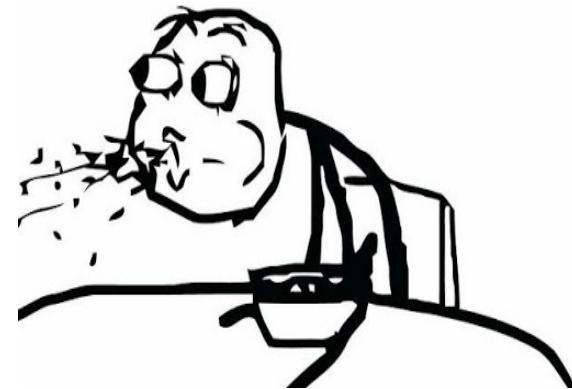
Add Support for tvOS #47928

 Closed move bot opened this issue on Dec 28, 2019 · 5 comments

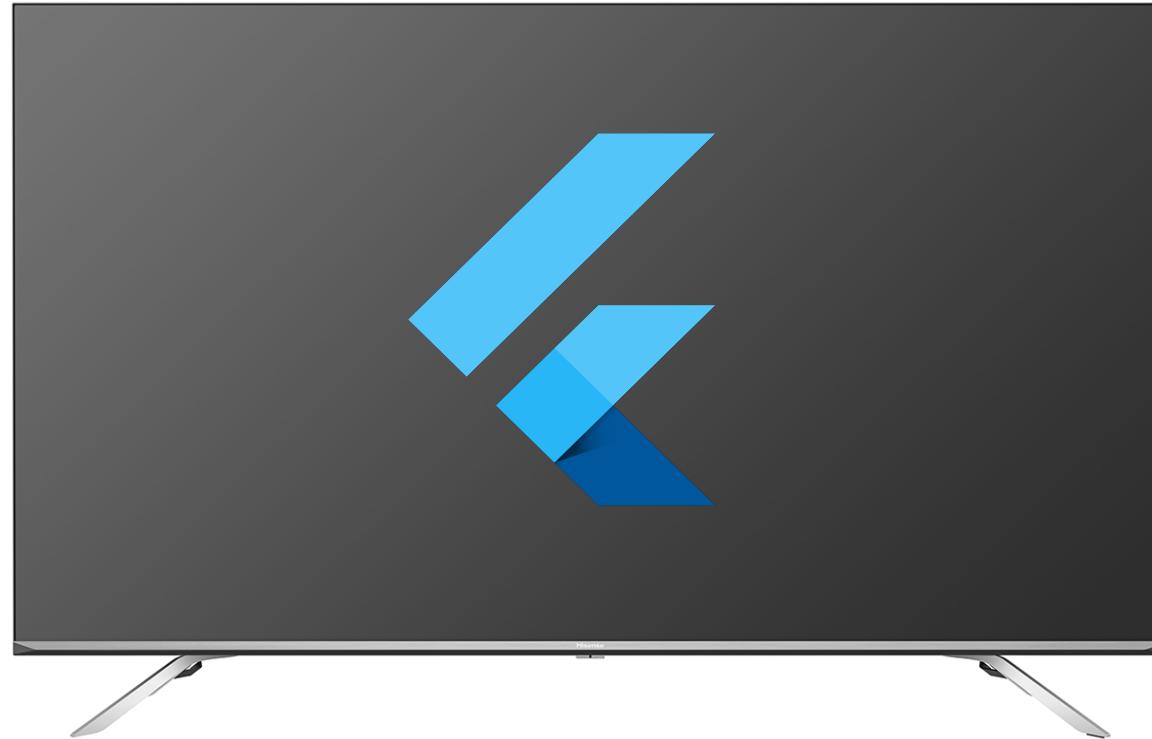
Multiplatform solution

- Android
- iOS
- Web
- Embedded (Linux based box)
- Android TV
- Apple TV

8 platforms



Flutter for TV platforms



How many TV Platforms are there?



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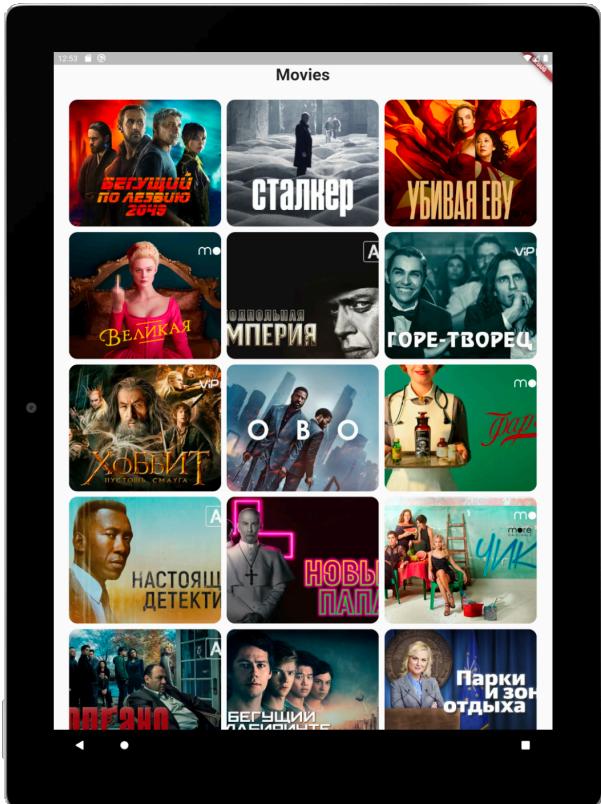
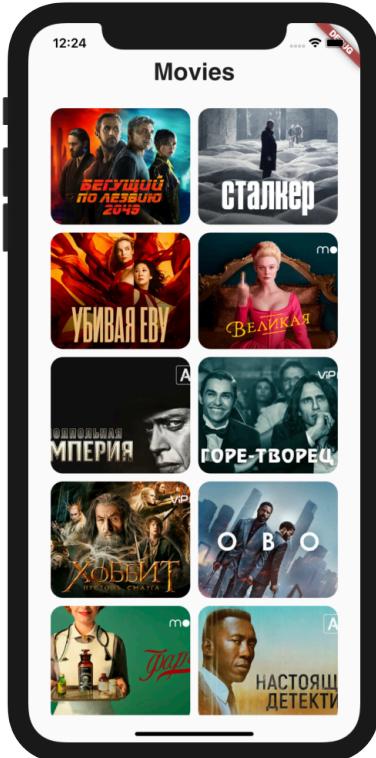
webOS

Roku TV

androidtv



Demo application



LET'S TRY TO LAUNCH

Android TV

androidtv

Android TV

Virtual Device Configuration

Select Hardware

Choose a device definition

Category	Name	Play Store	Size	Resolution	Density
TV	Android TV (720p)		55.0"	1280x...	tvdpi
Phone	Android TV (1080p)		55.0"	1920x...	xhdpi

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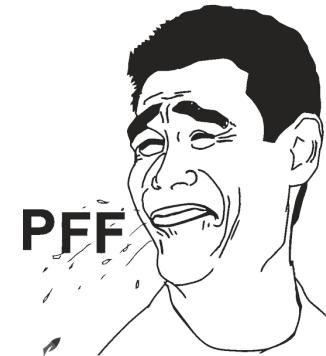
Android TV (1080p)

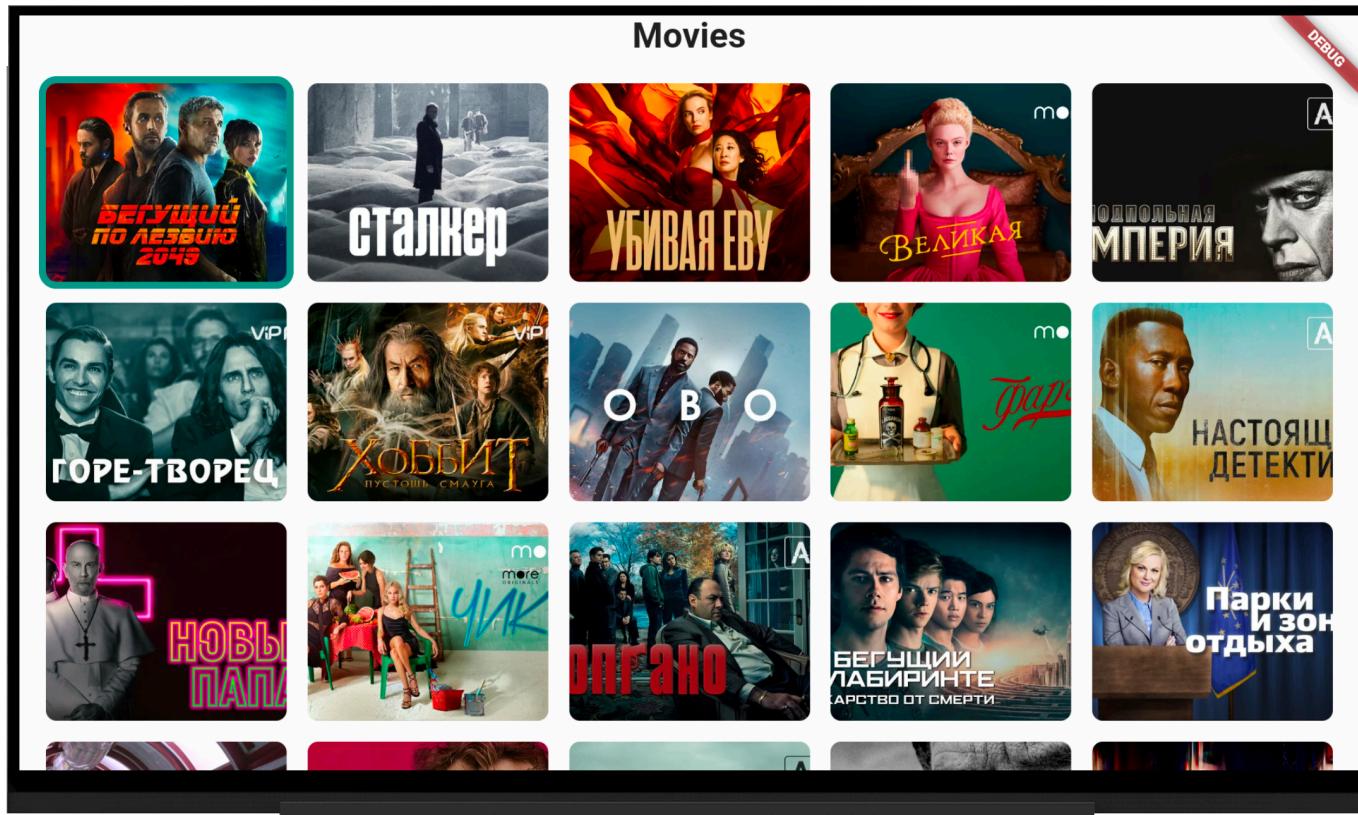
1920px
55.0"
1080px

Size: xlarge
Ratio: long
Density: xhdpi

New Hardware Profile Import Hardware Profiles Clone Device...

Cancel Previous Next Finish





Apple TV



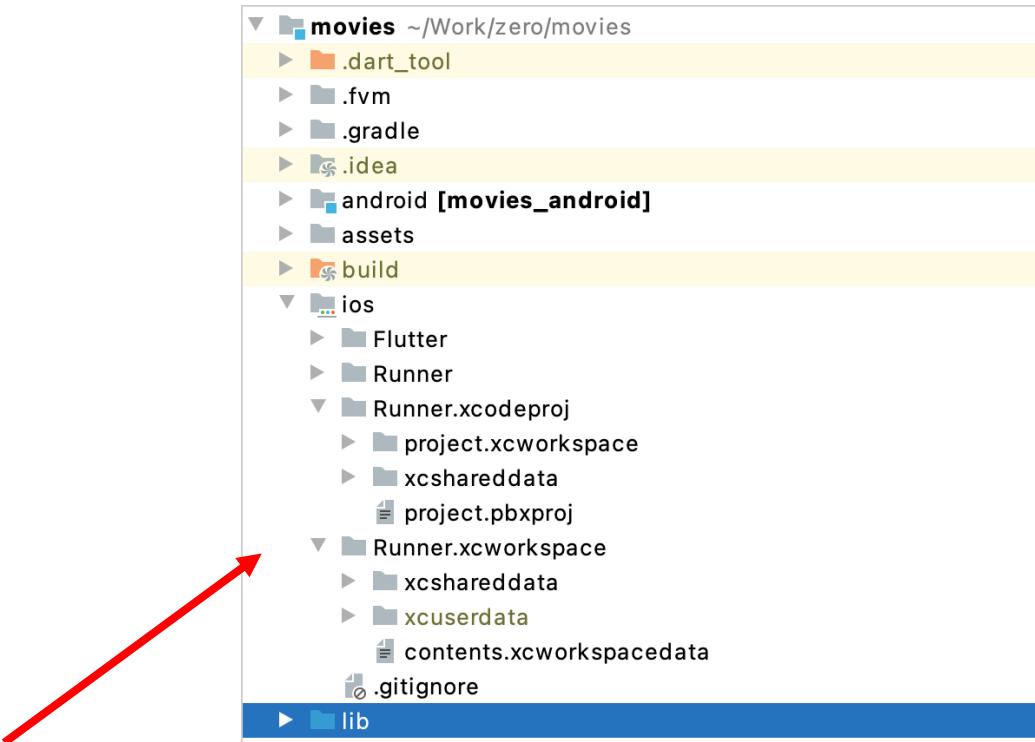
Apple TV

```
Launching lib/main.dart on Apple TV in debug mode...

Running Xcode build...
  └─Compiling, linking and signing...                      11.1s
Xcode build done.                                         48.8s
Unable to install
/Users/aleksandr_denisov/Work/zero/episode_1/build/ios/iphonesimulator/Runner.ap
p on A3627C63-CE2E-463A-911B-4D55B40C7A92. This is sometimes caused by a
malformed plist file:
ProcessException: Process exited abnormally:
An error was encountered processing the command
(domain=IXUserPresentableErrorDomain, code=6):
Unable To Install "episode_1"
This app is not made for this device.
This app was not built to support this device family; app is compatible with (
  1,
  2
) but this device supports (
  3
)
Underlying error (domain=MInstallerErrorDomain, code=10):
  This app was not built to support this device family; app is compatible with (
  1,
  2
) but this device supports (
  3
)
Command: /usr/bin/xcrun simctl install A3627C63-CE2E-463A-911B-4D55B40C7A92
/Users/aleksandr_denisov/Work/zero/episode_1/build/ios/iphonesimulator/Runner.
  app
Error launching application on Apple TV.
```



Apple TV



Inside the Flutter Engine

tvOS \neq iOS



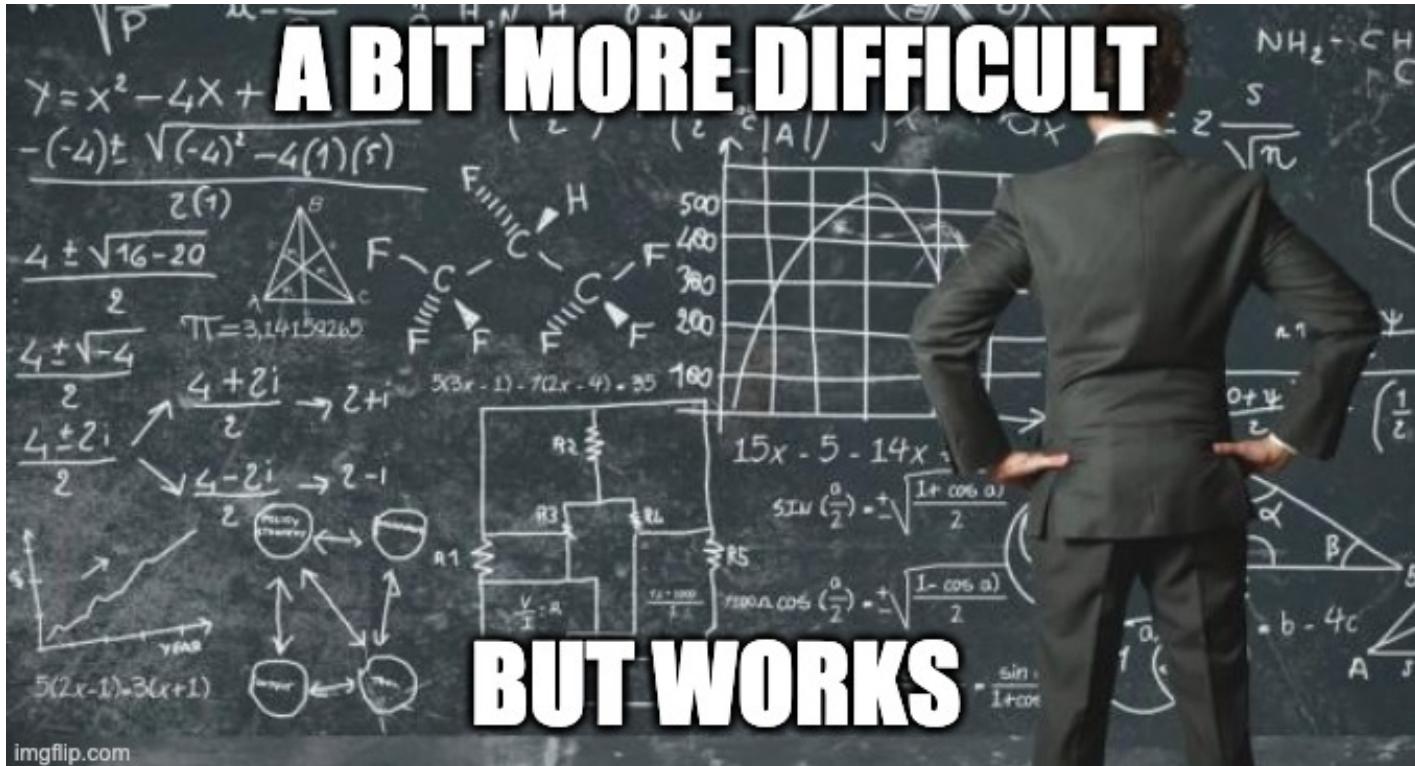
Contributing to Flutter

Developing for Flutter

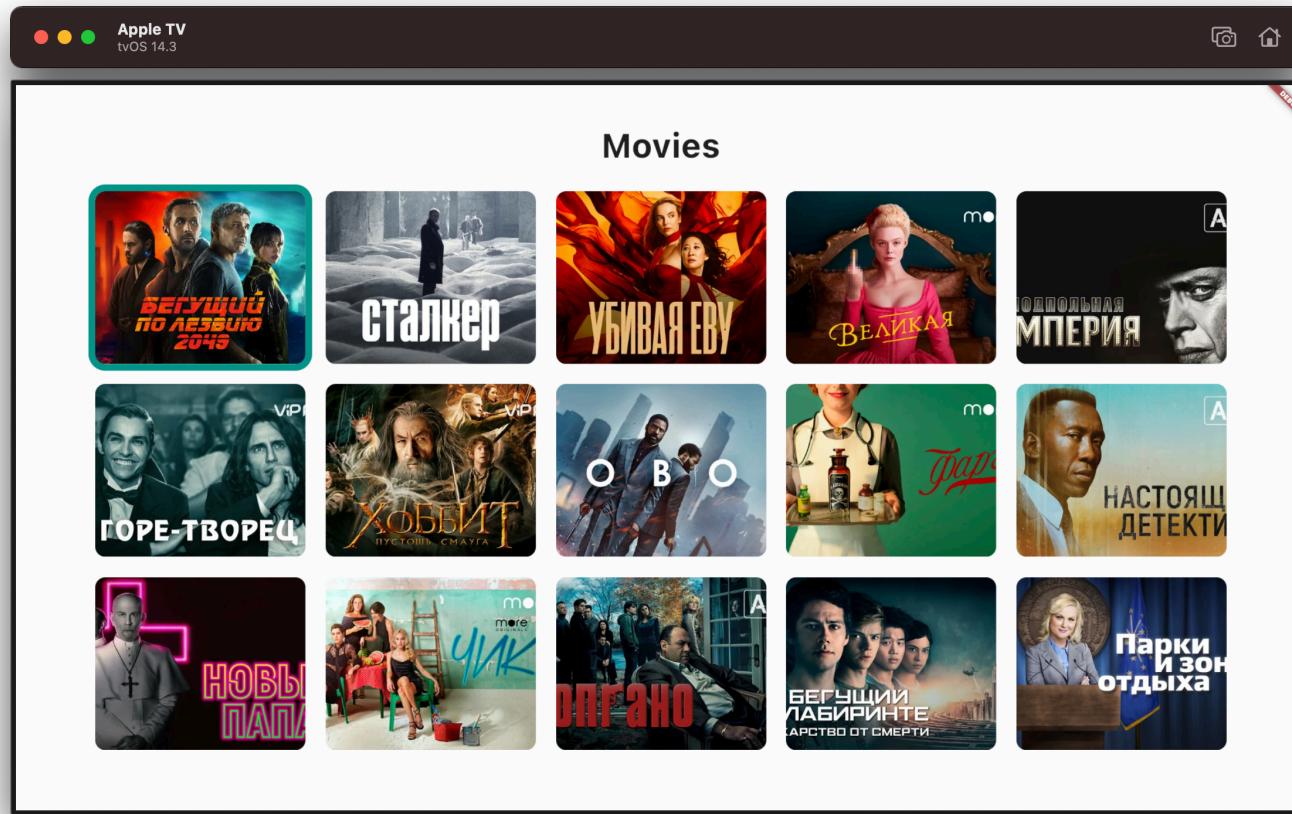
1. Our code of conduct
2. ~~Values, which talks about what we care most about~~
3. Setting up your engine development environment
4. Setting up your framework development environment
5. ~~Tree hygiene~~
6. Issue hygiene
7. Our style guide
8. Flutter design doc template

<https://github.com/flutter/flutter/blob/master/CONTRIBUTING.md>

Update (hack) the Flutter Framework and Flutter Engine



Let's check

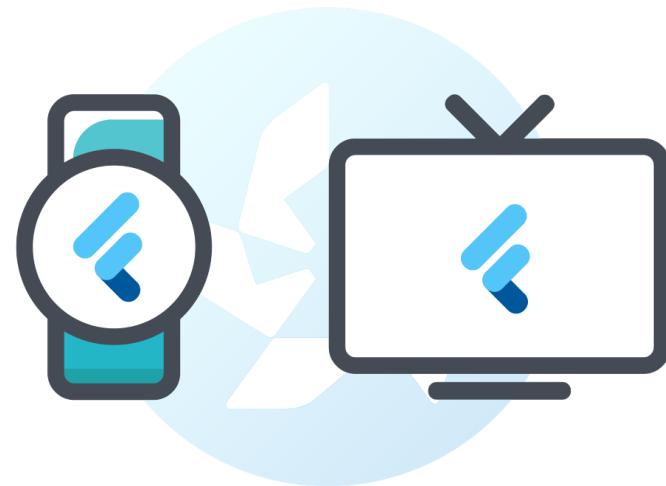




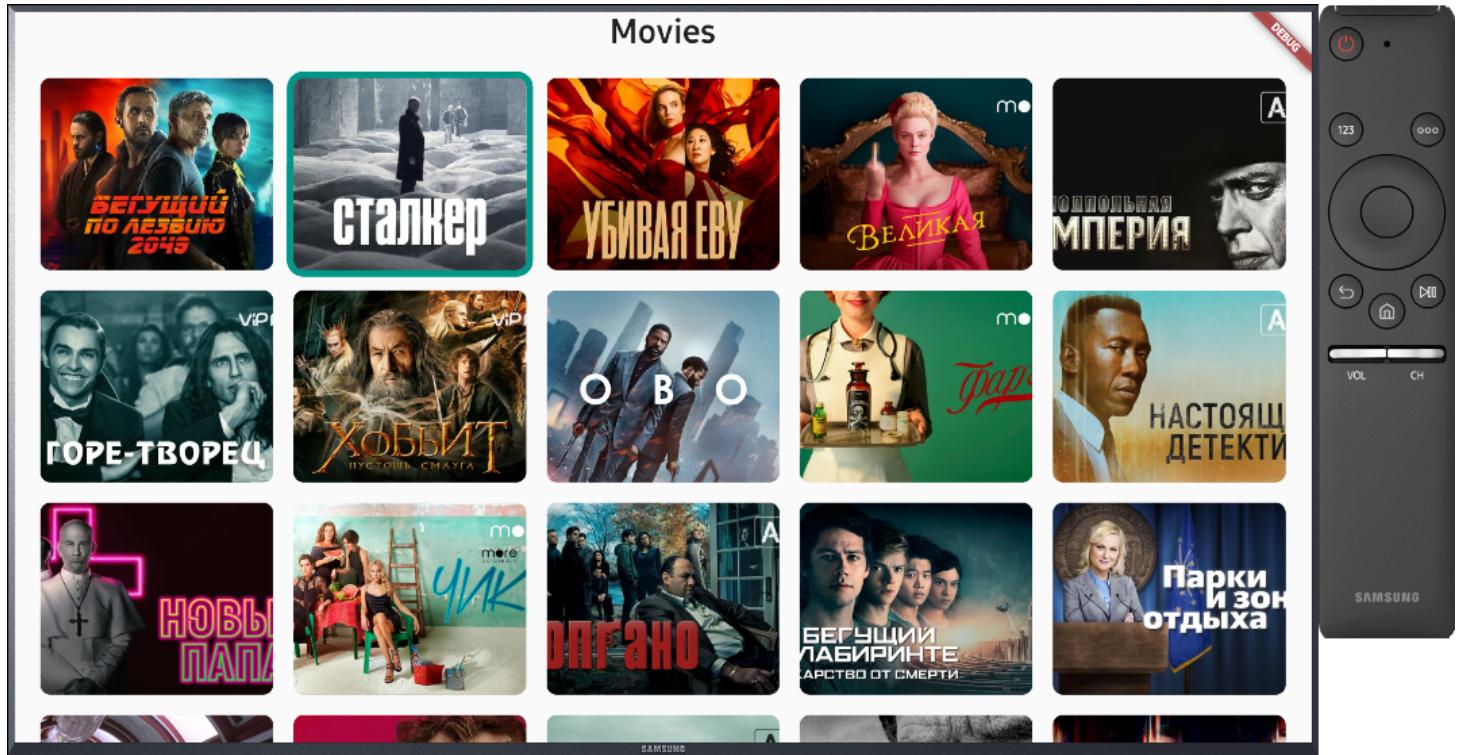
Flutter for Tizen

```
flutter-tizen help  
flutter-tizen create  
flutter-tizen doctor  
flutter-tizen devices  
flutter-tizen build tpk --target-arch arm,x86  
flutter-tizen run -d tizen
```

<https://github.com/swift-kim/flutter-tizen>



Tizen is ready



FireTV



Others

webOS

Roku TV

THAT'S NOT ENOUGH

A lot of questions there

- How to detect the platform?
- How to organize the user interaction?
- Which plugins are supported and which are not?

HOW TO DIFFERENTIATE PLATFORMS

How to differentiate platforms



Platform.*isAndroid* == true



Platform.*isIOS* == true

```
class MyPlatform {  
    static const tvMode = String.fromEnvironment('TV_MODE');  
  
    static bool get isTv => tvMode == 'ON';  
  
    static bool get isIOS => !isTv && Platform.isIOS;  
  
    static bool get isAndroid => !isTv && Platform.isAndroid;  
  
    static bool get isTVOS => isTv && Platform.isIOS;  
  
    static bool get isAndroidTV => isTv && Platform.isAndroid;  
}
```

HOW TO ORGANIZE USER INTERACTION

Android TV remote control



RawKeyboard

Android TV remote control

- [RawKeyDownEvent](#) and [RawKeyUpEvent](#), the classes used to describe specific raw key events.
- [RawKeyboardListener](#), a widget that listens for raw key events.
- [SystemChannels.keyEvent](#), the low-level channel used for receiving events from the system.

Focus

Focus class Null safety

A widget that manages a [FocusNode](#) to allow keyboard focus to be given to this widget and its descendants.



Android TV remote control



```
RawKeyboard.instance.addListener((event) {  
    if (LogicalKeyboardKey.arrowLeft == event.logicalKey) {  
        _moveLeft();  
    } else if (LogicalKeyboardKey.arrowRight == event.logicalKey) {  
        _moveRight();  
    } else if (LogicalKeyboardKey.arrowUp == event.logicalKey) {  
        _moveUp();  
    } else if (LogicalKeyboardKey.arrowDown == event.logicalKey) {  
        _moveDown();  
    }  
}
```

Android TV remote control

```
void _moveRight() {  
    FocusManager.instance.primaryFocus.focusInDirection(TraversalDirection.right);  
}
```

Focus class Null safety

A widget that manages a [FocusNode](#) to allow keyboard focus to be given to this widget and its descendants.



FocusableWidget

```
class FocusableWidget extends StatefulWidget {  
...  
@override  
Widget build(BuildContext context) {  
    var focusChild = widget.child;  
  
    return Focus(  
        autofocus: true,  
        key: _key,  
        onFocusChange: (value) =>  
            setState(() {  
                _isFocused = value;  
            }),  
        onKey: _onKeyHandler,  
        child: focusChild,  
    );  
}
```

```
bool _onKeyHandler(FocusNode node, RawKeyEvent event) {  
    if (event is RawKeyDownEvent) {  
        return true;  
    }  
    if (event.hasSubmitIntent) {  
        _onSubmit();  
        return true;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

Focus

```
extension SubmitAction on RawKeyEvent {  
  
    bool get hasSubmitIntent =>  
        this is RawKeyUpEvent && (logicalKey == LogicalKeyboardKey.select);  
  
}
```

The same behavior as on Mobile

```
void _extractSubmit(Element element) {  
    final widget = element.widget;  
  
    if (widget is GestureDetector) {  
        _onSubmit = widget.onTap;  
        return;  
    }  
  
    if (widget is InkWell) {  
        _onSubmit = widget.onTap;  
        return;  
    }  
  
    element.visitChildElements(_extractSubmit);  
}
```

```
@override  
void initState() {  
    super.initState();  
    SchedulerBinding.instance.addPostFrameCallback((_) {  
        _key.currentContext.visitChildElements(_extractSubmit);  
    });  
}
```

Apple TV remote control



- Remote doesn't have arrows, touchpad only
- iOS target doesn't handle touchpad taps as RawKeyboard events

Update Engine

GOTO:



engine/src/flutter/shell/platform/darwin/ios
/framework/Source/FlutterViewController.mm

- Create system channel for tap events (flutter/keyevent)
- Create platform channel for touchpad events
- Add handlers for remote control taps
- Update existing handler for touchpad events

Update Engine

```
self.keyEventChannel =  
[FlutterBasicMessageChannel  
messageChannelWithName:@"flutter/keyevent"  
binaryMessenger:[self binaryMessenger]  
codec:[FlutterJSONMessageCodec sharedInstance]];
```

```
self.gamepadTouchEventChannel =  
[FlutterBasicMessageChannel  
messageChannelWithName:@"flutter/gamepadtouchevent"  
binaryMessenger:[self binaryMessenger]  
codec:[FlutterJSONMessageCodec sharedInstance]];
```

Update Engine - key events handler

```
- (void)handleTap: (UITapGestureRecognizer *)recognizer  
withType:(NSString *)keyMapType keyboardType:(int)key {  
    if (recognizer.state == UIGestureRecognizerStateBegan) {  
        [self sendTap:key withType:@"macos" ofType:@"keydown"];  
    } else if (recognizer.state == UIGestureRecognizerStateChanged) {  
        [self sendTap:key withType:@"macos" ofType:@"keyup"];  
    }  
}
```

Update Engine - touch pad handler

```
- (void)touchesMoved:(NSSet*)touches withEvent:(UIEvent*)event {  
#ifdef TARGET_OS_TV  
    for (UITouch* touch in touches) {  
        CGPoint location = [touch locationInView:self.view];  
        [self sendGamepadTouchesWithType:@"move"  
            x:location.x y:location.y];  
    }  
#else  
    [self dispatchTouches:touches pointerDataChangeOverride:nullptr];  
#endif  
}
```

Apple TV remote control

```
static const channel = BasicMessageChannel<dynamic>('flutter/gamepadtouchevent',  
                                                 JSONMessageCodec());
```

```
channel.setMessageHandler(_onTouch);
```

```
Future<void> _onTouch(dynamic arguments) {  
    final x = arguments['x'];  
    final y = arguments['y'];  
    final type = arguments['type'];  
  
    if (type == 'started') {  
        ...  
    } else if (type == 'move') {  
        ...  
    } else if (type == 'ended') {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
if ((moveX.abs() >= 250) || (moveY.abs() >= 250)) {  
    if (moveX.abs() >= moveY.abs()) {  
        if (moveX >= 0) {  
            _moveLeft();  
        } else {  
            _moveRight();  
        }  
    } else {  
        if (moveY >= 0) {  
            _moveUp();  
        } else {  
            _moveDown();  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Хоббит. Пустошь Смауга

2013, фэнтези, приключения, США, 2 ч 41 мин

Продолжение путешествия хоббита Бильбо Бэггинса, волшебника Гэндалфа и 13 отважных гномов. Их компания должна добраться до Одинокой горы. А там они встретятся с величайшей опасностью из всех — созданием куда более ужасающим, чем все их прошлые противники, чудовищем, которое проверит на прочность не только их мужество, но крепость их дружбы и правильность выбранного пути, — драконом Смаугом.

DEBUG

X -

Power

Speaker

Speaker

Camera

+

Search

Left

Right

Up

Down

...

WHICH PLUGINS ARE SUPPORTED?

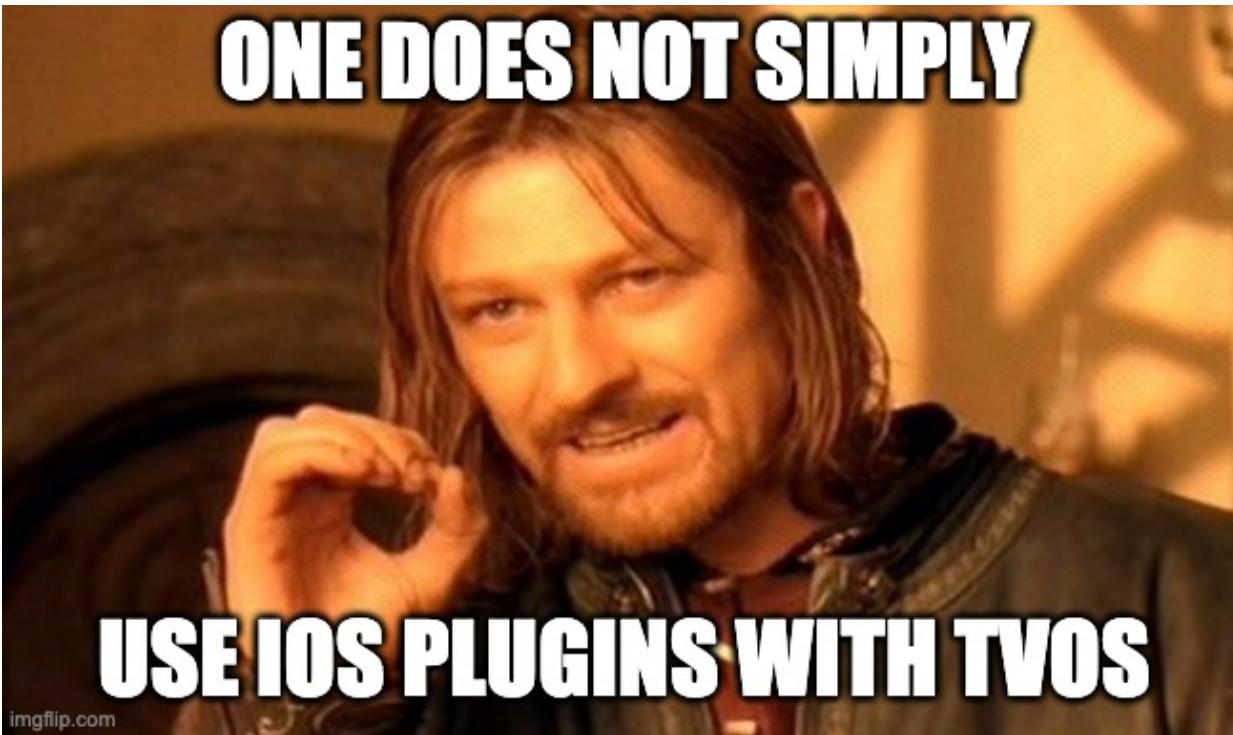
Plugins and Android TV

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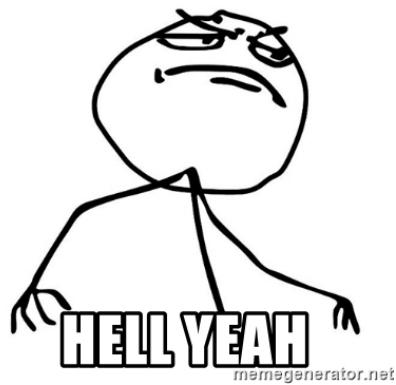


Plugins and Tizen

Package name	Original package	Pub	Endorsed
battery_tizen	battery (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
connectivity_tizen	connectivity (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
device_info_tizen	device_info (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
image_picker_tizen	image_picker (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
integration_test_tizen	integration_test (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
package_info_tizen	package_info (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
path_provider_tizen	path_provider (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
sensors_tizen	sensors (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
share_tizen	share (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
shared_preferences_tizen	shared_preferences (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
url_launcher_tizen	url_launcher (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No
video_player_tizen	video_player (1st-party)	pub v1.0.0	No
wifi_info_flutter_tizen	wifi_info_flutter (1st-party)	pub v2.0.0	No



Final slide



THE FINAL SLIDE



<https://github.com/denisovav/zero/movies>



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THANK YOU!
QUESTIONS?