CMPS 312 Mobile Application Development

LAB 1: SETTING UP THE ANDROID DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT

Objective

- 1. Learn the basics of Git and GitHub
- 2. Set up your Android development environment, familiarize yourself with it, and use it to create and debug simple applications.

Once you've completed this lab, you should have an initial working understanding of the tools developers use when they create Android apps. You should also know how to develop and debug a simple Android application. And how to use git and GitHub version control system to manage and track changes in your code across versions.

Overview

In this lab, you will set up your Android development environment by installing the Android Studio, and several other development tools and documentation. You will use these tools to create and experiment with Android Virtual Devices, the Android emulator, and Android applications.

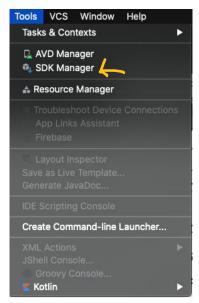
You will also need to create a a GitHub repository. This repository will hold all your lab work, including in-lab assessments, homework that you will be turned in during the semester.

PART A - GITHUB

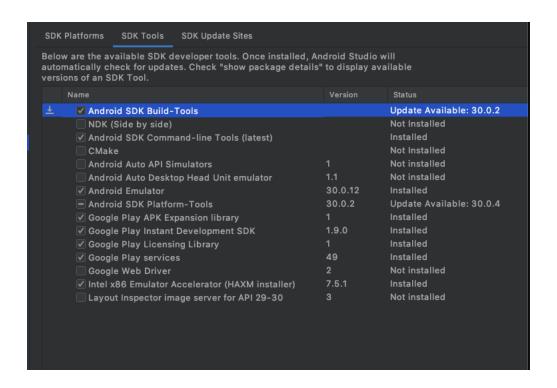
- **1.** Download and Install Github Desktop app from https://desktop.github.com
- 2. While the download is in progress go to https://github.com and create a Github Account
- **3.** Create a GitHub repository online and clone it
- **4.** Add a new file to your git repo and create your first commit
- **5.** Push your changes to your GitHub repo by using the Github desktop app
- **6.** Create a branch of your master repo and make some modifications to your files
- **7.** Merge the branch to your master repo and push the changes
- **8.** Push a pull request

PART B — DOWNLOADING AND INSTALLING ANDROID STUDIO

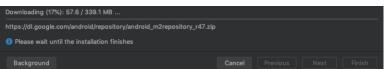
- 1. Download Android Studio from the Android developer's website
 - a. https://developer.android.com/studio/index.html
- 2. To install Android Studio on **Windows**, launch the .exe file you downloaded and follow the setup wizard to install Android Studio and any necessary SDK tools.
- 3. To install Android Studio on your **Mac**, launch the Android Studio .DMG file. Then Drag and drop Android Studio into the Applications folder, then launch Android Studio. The Android Studio Setup Wizard guides you through the rest of the setup, which includes downloading Android SDK components that are required for the development.
 - →On the Mac, the path for Android Studio's Java environment can be set with this export command: export JAVA_HOME=/Applications/Android\
 Studio.app/Contents/jre/jdk/Contents/Home/
- 4. Configure SDK Manager OR if you already opened the application, then go to tools→ Android→SDK Manager



5. Launch SDK Manager and Install the following if they are not installed already.





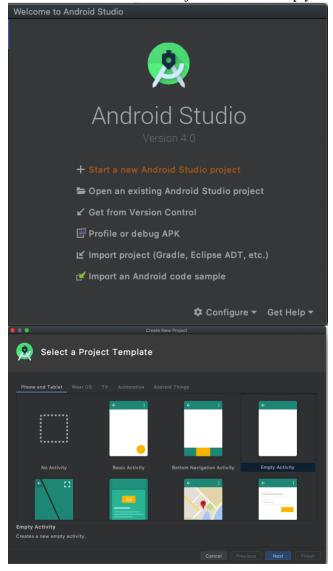


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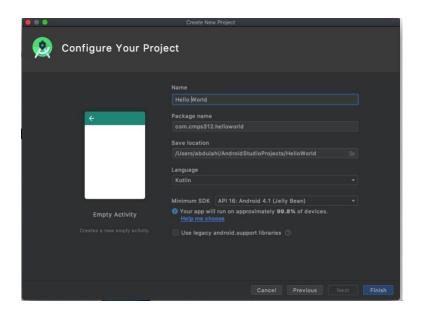
PART C: CREATING A SIMPLE "HELLO WORLD" APPLICATION

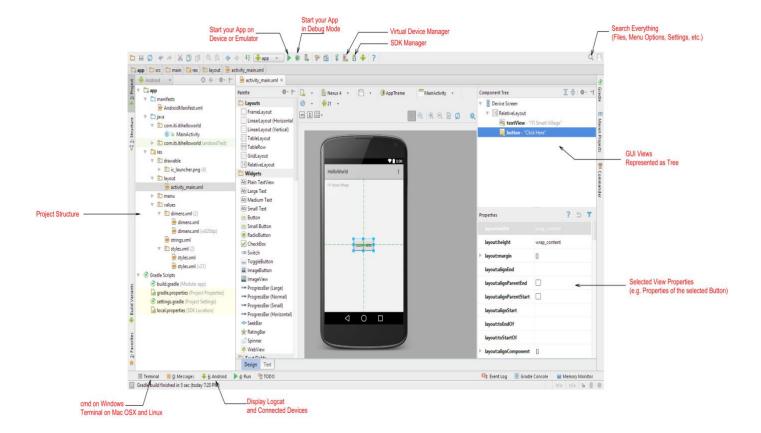
CONFIGURING THE PROJECT

- 1. Open Android Studio Application
- 2. Start New Android Studio Project and select Empty Activity



- 3. Make the application name: "Hello World."
- 4. Package Name: "com.cmps312.helloworld
- 5. Make sure the language is **Kotlin and not Java**
- 6. Choose the Minimum SDK 8.0 (Click on Help Me)
- 7. Finish





RUNNING THE PROJECT

A. Using Real Physical Device

- 1. Plug the device through USB port (Windows automatically downloads your drivers)
- **2.** If a window did not download your device's driver then go to Google "OEM Drivers from android developers" and follow the instructions)
- **3.** Enable the developers option on your physical phone by :
 - i. Go to Settings => "About Your device" => "Build Number "then press it Seven Times. This will enable the developer's option
 - ii. Search for the developers Options inside the settings
 - iii. Tick the USB Debugging Enable box

B. Using Emulator

- 1. Click on the AVD Manager Button on the top right corner on your android studio
- 2. At the bottom of the menu, click on "Create Virtual Device"
- **3.** You will get three different choices
 - i. You can define new Hardware Profile Look in the internet
 - ii. You can Import Profile from someone else's AVD
 - iii. Use the predefined emulators
 - iv. Combination (Best)

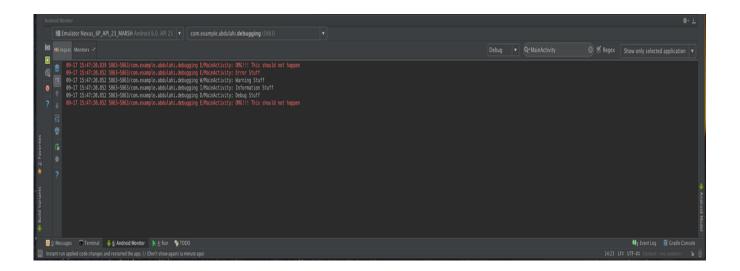
Run the Application by pressing on the RUN button on the top corner

PART C: DEBUGGING USING SYSTEM LOGS

- i. Log.v(); // Verbose (If you want to log everything in your app)
- ii. Log.d(); // Debug (You want to view some variables values)
- iii. Log.i(); // Info (Successfully downloaded the file/ connected)
- iv. Log.w(); // Warning (When unexpected thing happened)
- v. Log.e(); // Error (Something bad happened ලැල්_ුල්ලා)
- vi. Log.wtf()// (What a Terrible Failure) When something extremely bad happened \(o_o)/

Add the above Logs to the Hello World Application

- i. val tag = "MyMainActivity";
- ii. Log."X"(tag, "MESSAGE"); (Replace the X by the above Log type)
- iii. Filter the different Log Messages by using the Android Monitor window



CAPTURING SCREENSHOTS

- i. Run your App in Debug Mode.
- ii. Click Logcat = 6: Logcat at the bottom of the IDE.
- iii. On the left corner expand the two arrows and Click Screen Capture on the left.
- iv. Optional: To add a device frame around your screenshot, click Frame screenshot.
- v. Click Save.

CAPTURING VIDEO

- i. Run your App in Debug Mode.
- ii. Click Logcat = 6: Logcat at the bottom of the IDE.
- iii. Click Screen Record on the left.
- iv. Click Start Recording.
- v. Interact with your app.
- vi. Click Stop Recording.
- vii. Enter a file name for the recording and click **OK**.

PART D: HANDLING EVENTS [BUTTONS]

There are 2 ways to handle the click event in a button

- Onclick in XML layout
- Using an OnClickListener

Let us create the following simple app that takes two numbers as an input and displays their result on the screen.



- 1. Create an app and name it "Simple Calculator."
- 2. Modify the layout to look like the image above. It should have
 - a. Two EditText boxes with type number,
 - b. An Add Button and
 - c. A TextBox that displays the result once the user clicks on the Add
- 3. Run your application on the emulator.