



# Android Data

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Various ways for data storage:

1. Shared Preferences : key-value pair mapping;
2. Internal Storage : storage in the phone internal memory;
3. External Storage : storage in the *external memory*, usually SD card;
4. SQLite database : structured data;
5. Distant Data : storage on a distant server.



- ▶ SharedPreferences class provides us with a framework for:
  - ▶ persistent storage;
  - ▶ mapping access to pairs (key/values) with basic types (boolean, float, int, long, string).
- ▶ Access is made through the methods :
  - ▶ Context.getSharedPreferences(mode):
    - ▶ uses default app memory storage
    - ▶ mode specifies read/write rights (MODE\_PRIVATE/MODE\_WORLD\_READABLE/MODE\_WORLD\_WRITEABLE)
- ▶ Context.getSharedPreferences(name, mode)
  - ▶ specifies the files where the data are stored (this allows multiple files per application)

```
String FILENAME = "hello_file";
String string = "hello world!";

FileOutputStream fos = openFileOutput(FILENAME, Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
fos.write(string.getBytes());
fos.close();
```



# Shared Preferences(2)



## ► Access and modification by methods

edit() / putX() / getX() / commit()

```
public class Calc extends Activity {
    public static final String PREFS_NAME = "MyPrefsFile";

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle state){
        super.onCreate(state);
        . . .

        // Restore preferences
        SharedPreferences settings = getSharedPreferences(PREFS_NAME, 0);
        boolean silent = settings.getBoolean("silentMode", false);
        setSilent(silent);
    }

    @Override
    protected void onStop(){
        super.onStop();

        // We need an Editor object to make preference changes.
        // All objects are from android.context.Context
        SharedPreferences settings = getSharedPreferences(PREFS_NAME, 0);
        SharedPreferences.Editor editor = settings.edit();
        editor.putBoolean("silentMode", mSilentMode);

        // Commit the edits!
        editor.commit();
    }
}
```



- ▶ uses phone internal memory
- ▶ are (by default) private to the application
- ▶ deleted when the app is de-installed
- ▶ to create and write data in a private file :
  - ▶ `Context.openFileOutput(file, mode)` : open a file using access mode, return a `FileOutputStream`
  - ▶ `write()` to write data;
  - ▶ `close()` to close the file.



► Other usefull methods

- ▶ `getFilesDir()`
- ▶ `getDir()`
- ▶ `deleteFile()`
- ▶ `fileList()`

► advantages :

- ▶ faster
- ▶ more space (compare to `sharedPreferences`)
- ▶ always available

► Inconvenients

- ▶ limited (structure)



- ▶ Mode specifies the file access and sharing mode
  - ▶ MODE\_PRIVATE: private to the app; create or destroy if file exists;
  - ▶ MODE\_APPEND: add data to the file;
  - ▶ MODE\_WORLD\_READABLE: set the file accessible (read) to any app;
  - ▶ MODE\_WORLD\_WRITEABLE: set the file accessible (write) to any app;

```
String FILENAME = "hello_file";  
String string = "hello world!";  
  
FileOutputStream fos = openFileOutput(FILENAME, Context.MODE_PRIVATE);  
fos.write(string.getBytes());  
fos.close();
```



- ▶ for external devices storage;
- ▶ apps can read/write data on this devices (with a prior check for existence);
- ▶ data are destroyed whenever the app is uninstalled.

```
boolean mExternalStorageAvailable = false;
boolean mExternalStorageWriteable = false;
String state = Environment.getExternalStorageState();

if (Environment.MEDIA_MOUNTED.equals(state)) {
    // We can read and write the media
    mExternalStorageAvailable = mExternalStorageWriteable = true;
} else if (Environment.MEDIA_MOUNTED_READ_ONLY.equals(state)) {
    // We can only read the media
    mExternalStorageAvailable = true;
    mExternalStorageWriteable = false;
} else {
    // Something else is wrong. It may be one of many other states, but all we need
    // to know is we can neither read nor write
    mExternalStorageAvailable = mExternalStorageWriteable = false;
}
```





- ▶ saving
  - ▶ in the SD-card:
    - ▶ external memory (removable) can be modified or deleted using usb connexion;
    - ▶ internal memory (non removable)
- ▶ various directories
  - ▶ in the memory:
    - ▶ Music/ - Media scanner classifies all media found here as user music.
    - ▶ Podcasts/ - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a podcast.
    - ▶ Ringtones/ - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a ringtone.
    - ▶ Alarms/ - Media scanner classifies all media found here as an alarm sound.
    - ▶ Notifications/ - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a notification sound.
    - ▶ Pictures/ - All photos (excluding those taken with the camera).
    - ▶ Movies/ - All movies (excluding those taken with the camcorder).
    - ▶ Download/ - Miscellaneous downloads.



► data access:

► API  $\geq$  8:

- `getExternalFilesDir()` : gets the absolute path to external memory
- a parameter specifies the type of desired media (AUDIO, VIDEO...);
- this parameter set to null, gets the root path.

► API  $\leq$  7:

- `getExternalStorageDirectory()` : gets the absolute path to external memory
- the value is `/Android/data/<package_name>/files`



# External Storage : Code Sample API >= 8



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```
void createExternalStoragePrivateFile() {
    // Create a path where we will place our private file on external
    // storage.
    File file = new File(getExternalFilesDir(null), "DemoFile.jpg");

    try {
        // Very simple code to copy a picture from the application's
        // resource into the external file. Note that this code does
        // no error checking, and assumes the picture is small (does not
        // try to copy it in chunks). Note that if external storage is
        // not currently mounted this will silently fail.
        InputStream is = getResources().openRawResource(R.drawable.balloons);
        OutputStream os = new FileOutputStream(file);
        byte[] data = new byte[is.available()];
        is.read(data);
        os.write(data);
        is.close();
        os.close();
    } catch (IOException e) {
        // Unable to create file, likely because external storage is
        // not currently mounted.
        Log.w("ExternalStorage", "Error writing " + file, e);
    }
}

void deleteExternalStoragePrivateFile() {
    // Get path for the file on external storage. If external
    // storage is not currently mounted this will fail.
    File file = new File(getExternalFilesDir(null), "DemoFile.jpg");
    if (file != null) {
        file.delete();
    }
}

boolean hasExternalStoragePrivateFile() {
    // Get path for the file on external storage. If external
    // storage is not currently mounted this will fail.
    File file = new File(getExternalFilesDir(null), "DemoFile.jpg");
    if (file != null) {
        return file.exists();
    }
    return false;
}
```



# External Storage : Code S. API >= 8 (cont.)



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```
void createExternalStoragePrivatePicture() {
    // Create a path where we will place our picture in our own private
    // pictures directory. Note that we don't really need to place a
    // picture in DIRECTORY_PICTURES, since the media scanner will see
    // all media in these directories; this may be useful with other
    // media types such as DIRECTORY_MUSIC however to help it classify
    // your media for display to the user.
    File path = getExternalFilesDir(Environment.DIRECTORY_PICTURES);
    File file = new File(path, "DemoPicture.jpg");

    try {
        // Very simple code to copy a picture from the application's
        // resource into the external file. Note that this code does
        // no error checking, and assumes the picture is small (does not
        // try to copy it in chunks). Note that if external storage is
        // not currently mounted this will silently fail.
        InputStream is = getResources().openRawResource(R.drawable.balloons);
        OutputStream os = new FileOutputStream(file);
        byte[] data = new byte[is.available()];
        is.read(data);
        os.write(data);
        is.close();
        os.close();

        // Tell the media scanner about the new file so that it is
        // immediately available to the user.
        MediaScannerConnection.scanFile(this,
            new String[] { file.toString() }, null,
            new MediaScannerConnection.OnScanCompletedListener() {
                public void onScanCompleted(String path, Uri uri) {
                    Log.i("ExternalStorage", "Scanned " + path + ":");
                    Log.i("ExternalStorage", "-> uri=" + uri);
                }
            });
    } catch (IOException e) {
        // Unable to create file, likely because external storage is
        // not currently mounted.
        Log.w("ExternalStorage", "Error writing " + file, e);
    }
}
```



► Types de répertoires possibles:

- DIRECTORY\_MUSIC, DIRECTORY\_PODCASTS, DIRECTORY\_RINGTONES, DIRECTORY\_ALARMS, DIRECTORY\_NOTIFICATIONS, DIRECTORY\_PICTURES, or DIRECTORY\_MOVIES

```
void deleteExternalStoragePrivatePicture() {  
    // Create a path where we will place our picture in the user's  
    // public pictures directory and delete the file. If external  
    // storage is not currently mounted this will fail.  
    File path = getExternalFilesDir(Environment.DIRECTORY_PICTURES);  
    if (path != null) {  
        File file = new File(path, "DemoPicture.jpg");  
        file.delete();  
    }  
}  
  
boolean hasExternalStoragePrivatePicture() {  
    // Create a path where we will place our picture in the user's  
    // public pictures directory and check if the file exists. If  
    // external storage is not currently mounted this will think the  
    // picture doesn't exist.  
    File path = getExternalFilesDir(Environment.DIRECTORY_PICTURES);  
    if (path != null) {  
        File file = new File(path, "DemoPicture.jpg");  
        return file.exists();  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```



## ► Directories:

**Music/** - Media scanner classifies all media found here as user music.

**Podcasts/** - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a podcast.

**Ringtones/** - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a ringtone.

**Alarms/** - Media scanner classifies all media found here as an alarm sound.

**Notifications/** - Media scanner classifies all media found here as a notification sound.

**Pictures/** - All photos (excluding those taken with the camera).

**Movies/** - All movies (excluding those taken with the camcorder).

**Download/** - Miscellaneous downloads.



- ▶ access to SQLite database is restricted to the classes of your app;
- ▶ the class `SQLiteOpenHelper` eases the creation of the database.

```
public class DictionaryOpenHelper extends SQLiteOpenHelper {  
  
    private static final int DATABASE_VERSION = 2;  
    private static final String DICTIONARY_TABLE_NAME = "dictionary";  
    private static final String DICTIONARY_TABLE_CREATE =  
        "CREATE TABLE " + DICTIONARY_TABLE_NAME + " (" +  
            KEY_WORD + " TEXT, " +  
            KEY_DEFINITION + " TEXT);";  
  
    DictionaryOpenHelper(Context context) {  
        super(context, DATABASE_NAME, null, DATABASE_VERSION);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCreate(SQLiteDatabase db) {  
        db.execSQL(DICTIONARY_TABLE_CREATE);  
    }  
}
```



- ▶ `SQLiteOpenHelper.getWritableDatabase()` :
  - ▶ write access to the database;
  - ▶ return an object `SQLiteData`
- ▶ `SQLiteOpenHelper.getReadableDatabase()` :
  - ▶ read access to the database;
  - ▶ return an object `SQLiteData`
- ▶ `SQLiteDatabase.query()` :
  - ▶ for request execution;
  - ▶ return an object `Query`
  - ▶ eases the construction of a `ContentProvider`).
- ▶ the class `SQLiteQueryBuilder`
  - ▶ for complex requests





## Open/create

- ▶ manual creation and connexion to the DB;
- ▶ data are stored in  
/data/data/<application\_name>/databases

```
package higherpass.TestingData;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.database.sqlite.SQLiteDatabase;

public class TestingData extends Activity {
    /** Called when the activity is first created. */
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.main);

        SQLiteDatabase db;
        db = openOrCreateDatabase(
            >> "TestingData.db"
            >> , SQLiteDatabase.CREATE_IF_NECESSARY
            >> , null
            >> );
    }
}
```





```
package higherpass.TestingData;

import java.util.Locale;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.database.sqlite.SQLiteDatabase;

public class TestingData extends Activity {
    /** Called when the activity is first created. */
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.main);

        SQLiteDatabase db;

        db = openOrCreateDatabase(
            >> "TestingData.db"
            >> , SQLiteDatabase.CREATE_IF_NECESSARY
            >> , null
            >> );
        db.setVersion(1);
        db.setLocale(Locale.getDefault());
        db.setLockingEnabled(true);

        final String CREATE_TABLE_COUNTRIES =
            > "CREATE TABLE tbl_countries ("
            > + "id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,"
            > + "country_name TEXT);";
        final String CREATE_TABLE_STATES =
            > "CREATE TABLE tbl_states ("
            > + "id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,"
            > + "state_name TEXT,"
            > + "country_id INTEGER NOT NULL CONSTRAINT "
            > + "contry_id REFERENCES tbl_contries(id) "
            > + "ON DELETE CASCADE);";
        db.execSQL(CREATE_TABLE_COUNTRIES);
        db.execSQL(CREATE_TABLE_STATES);
        final String CREATE_TRIGGER_STATES =
            > "CREATE TRIGGER fk_insert_state BEFORE "
            > + "INSERT on tbl_states"
            > + "FOR EACH ROW "
            > + "BEGIN "
            > + "SELECT RAISE(ROLLBACK, 'insert on table "
            > + "'tbl_states' violates foreign key constraint "
            > + "'fk_insert_state') WHERE (SELECT id FROM "
            > + "tbl_countries WHERE id = NEW.country_id) IS NULL; "
            > + "END;";
        db.execSQL(CREATE_TRIGGER_STATES);
    }
}
```

Database creation  
using `execSQL()`



- ▶ Entries definition
  - ▶ key/value mapping;
  - ▶ contentValues fields settings;
- ▶ Entries Insertion via method `insert()`

```
ContentValues values = new ContentValues();
values.put("country_name", "US");
long countryId = db.insert("tbl_countries", null, values);
ContentValues stateValues = new ContentValues();
stateValues.put("state_name", "Texas");
stateValues.put("country_id", Long.toString(countryId));
try {
    db.insertOrThrow("tbl_states", null, stateValues);
} catch (Exception e) {
    //catch code
}
```



## ► Entries update:

- key/value mapping within `contentValues`
- using the `update()` method;

```
ContentValues updateCountry = new ContentValues();  
updateCountry.put("country_name", "United States");  
db.update("tbl_countries", updateCountry, "id=?", new String[] {Long.toString(countryId)});
```

## ► Entries deletion:

- using the `delete()` method, together with a parameter specifying the conditions;

```
db.delete("tbl_states", "id=?", new String[] {Long.toString(countryId)});
```



► Android SDK allows access from :

- emulator;
- terminal.

**sqlite3 from adb shell**

```
bash-3.1$ /usr/local/android-sdk-linux/tools/adb devices
List of devices attached
emulator-5554    device
bash-3.1$ /usr/local/android-sdk-linux/tools/adb -s emulator-5554 shell
# ls /data/data/higherpass.TestingData/databases
TestingData.db
# sqlite3 /data/data/higherpass.TestingData/databases/TestingData.db
SQLite version 3.5.9
Enter ".help" for instructions
sqlite> .tables
android_metadata  tbl_countries    tbl_states
```

```
bash-3.1$ /usr/local/android-sdk-linux/tools/adb -s emulator-5554 shell
# sqlite3 /data/data/higherpass.TestingData/databases/TestingData.db
SQLite version 3.5.9
Enter ".help" for instructions
sqlite> select * FROM tbl_countries;
1|United States
```



- ▶ distant access to any ressource/web
  - ▶ using `java.net.*` Classes
  - ▶ using `android.net.*` Classes
- ▶ data saving using Backup services, using `BackupManager` (which is not a sync service).



the Android mechanism for data sharing among apps;

- ▶ Every application (activity, service,...) can access only its own data
  - ▶ better security;
  - ▶ better modularity;
- ▶ the `contentProvider` is the only way to share data between apps.






To share data:

- ▶ Android offers a vast set of existing `contentProviders`
  - ▶ used for specific type of data (audio,video,images...);
  - ▶ used with intents using the adapted rights (read/write);
- ▶ creation of your own `contentProviders` for specific needs:
  - ▶ by derivation of the `contentProviders` Class;
  - ▶ by addition of specific data to an existing `contentProviders`.



- ▶ Common interface shared by `contentProviders` to:
  - ▶ send requests and get results;
  - ▶ add/modify/delete data in the `provider`;
- ▶ every `contentProvider` has a public URI which specify the exposed data (accessible via an `Intent`)

`content://com.example.transportationprovider/trains/122`



- ▶ A: standard prefix specifying that the data are controlled by a provider;
- ▶ B: identification of the provider;
- ▶ C: path to the data (e.g the table name);
- ▶ D: identification of the unique entry.



- ▶ the coder chooses the storage:
  - ▶ XML files, database, web service...
- ▶ he/she defines the kind of access and modification rights
- ▶ the access is then performed through a `contentResolver`

```
ContentResolver cr = getContentResolver();
```



# contentProviders and contentResolvers

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- ▶ Android system :
  - ▶ identifies the `contentProvider` which handle the URI specified data;
  - ▶ runs the processus corresponding to the data
  - ▶ creates the objects of `ContentProvider` type.
- ▶ Only one instance of every `contentProviders`
- ▶ a `contentProvider` can communicate with several `contentResolvers`



- ▶ the data are available to the activities under a `table` type (whatever the internal structure)
  - ▶ a unique identifier by entry `_ID`, the table Key
  - ▶ a request return an object of type `Cursor` that permits displacement within the table;
    - ▶ from entry to entry;
    - ▶ from field to field.

<code>_ID</code>	<code>NUMBER</code>	<code>NUMBER_KEY</code>	<code>LABEL</code>	<code>NAME</code>	<code>TYPE</code>
13	(425) 555 6677	425 555 6677	Kirkland office	Bully Pulpit	<code>TYPE_WORK</code>
44	(212) 555-1234	212 555 1234	NY apartment	Alan Vain	<code>TYPE_HOME</code>
45	(212) 555-6657	212 555 6657	Downtown office	Alan Vain	<code>TYPE_MOBILE</code>
53	201.555.4433	201 555 4433	Love Nest	Rex Cars	<code>TYPE_HOME</code>

- ▶ a single `contentProvider` may control several tables (one `_ID` per table)



- ▶ to build a request, you need
  - ▶ the `contentProvider` URI;
  - ▶ the field names to be received;
  - ▶ the field types to be received;
  - ▶ for a specific entry, the corresponding `_ID`
- ▶ the access is managed using :
  - ▶ `ContentResolver.query()`
  - ▶ `ContentResolver.managedQuery()`
- ▶ the `managedQuery()` methods handles the life cycle of the `Cursor` returned by the request;
  - ▶ freeing the `Cursor` when the activity is on pause;
  - ▶ re-requesting when the activity starts again.



## Request code sample :

```
public final Cursor query (Uri uri, String[] projection, String selection, String[] selectionArgs, String sortOrder)
```

- ▶ URI : the link to the contentProvider
- ▶ projection : a list of columns to be returned;
- ▶ selection : a filter on the entries (SQL WHERE)
- ▶ selectionArgs : values linked with jokers (the '?' char)
- ▶ sortOrder : sort parameters (SQL ORDERBY)
- ▶ sends back an object of type `Cursor` or the null object



```
public final Cursor query (Uri uri, String\[\] projection, String selection, String\[\] selectionArgs, String sortOrder)
```

- ▶ the URI defines a unique table
- ▶ when a `ContentProvider` is created, in order to avoid mistakes, a constant `String` identifying the table should be defined
  - ▶ `android.provider.Contacts.People.CONTENT_URI`
  - ▶ `android.provider.Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI`
  - ▶ `android.provider.Contacts.Photos.CONTENT_URI`
  - ▶ `android.provider.Contacts.Groups.CONTENT_URI`





```
public final Cursor query (Uri uri, String\[\] projection, String selection, String\[\] selectionArgs, String sortOrder)
```

- ▶ a specific entry can be reached by adding the corresponding ID to the URI
- ▶ methods can be used to construct the URI
  - ▶ `ContentUris.withAppendedId()`
  - ▶ `Uri.withAppendedPath()`

```
import android.provider.Contacts.People;
import android.content.ContentUris;
import android.net.Uri;
import android.database.Cursor;

// Use the ContentUris method to produce the base URI for the contact with _ID == 23.
Uri myPerson = ContentUris.withAppendedId(People.CONTENT_URI, 23);

// Alternatively, use the Uri method to produce the base URI.
// It takes a string rather than an integer.
Uri myPerson = Uri.withAppendedPath(People.CONTENT_URI, "23");

// Then query for this specific record:
Cursor cur = managedQuery(myPerson, null, null, null, null);
```



```
public final Cursor query (Uri uri, String\[\] projection, String selection, String\[\] selectionArgs, String sortOrder)
```

argument;

- ▶ specify the projection to filter the table (column names in a `String` vector);
- ▶ to ease the coding, `ContentProviders` give the Java constants which identify columns.

Constants	
<code>String</code>	<code>AUTHORITY</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>KIND_EMAIL</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>KIND_IM</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>KIND_ORGANIZATION</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>KIND_PHONE</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>KIND_POSTAL</code>

- ▶ Java constants which identify columns should be set at the `ContentProvider` creation



# Request Sample (1)



```
import android.provider.Contacts.People;
import android.database.Cursor;

// Form an array specifying which columns to return.
String[] projection = new String[] {
    People._ID,
    People._COUNT,
    People.NAME,
    People.NUMBER
};

// Get the base URI for the People table in the Contacts content provider.
Uri contacts = People.CONTENT_URI;

// Make the query.
Cursor managedCursor = managedQuery(contacts,
    projection, // Which columns to return
    null,       // Which rows to return (all rows)
    null,       // Selection arguments (none)
    // Put the results in ascending order by name
    People.NAME + " ASC");
```

- performs a projection of the table `People.CONTENT_URI` in ascendant sort (ASC)



## Request Sample (2)



_ID	NUMBER	NUMBER_KEY	LABEL	NAME	TYPE
13	(425) 555 6677	425 555 6677	Kirkland office	Bully Pulpit	TYPE_WORK
44	(212) 555-1234	212 555 1234	NY apartment	Alan Vain	TYPE_HOME
45	(212) 555-6657	212 555 6657	Downtown office	Alan Vain	TYPE_MOBILE
53	201.555.4433	201 555 4433	Love Nest	Rex Cars	TYPE_HOME

- to get a Cursor pointing on the first ID (`_ID = 13`)

```
Cursor cur = getContentResolver()  
.query("content://android.provider  
.Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI")
```

- to get directly a Cursor pointing on the entry with `_ID = 44`

```
Cursor cur = getContentResolver()  
.query("content://android.provider  
.Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI/44")
```



## Request Sample (3)



_ID	NUMBER	NUMBER_KEY	LABEL	NAME	TYPE
13	(425) 555 6677	425 555 6677	Kirkland office	Bully Pulpit	TYPE_WORK
44	(212) 555-1234	212 555 1234	NY apartment	Alan Vain	TYPE_HOME
45	(212) 555-6657	212 555 6657	Downtown office	Alan Vain	TYPE_MOBILE
53	201.555.4433	201 555 4433	Love Nest	Rex Cars	TYPE_HOME

- to get a `Cursor` on the table containing only the fields

`_ID, NUMBER, LABEL`

```
Cursor cur =
```

```
getContentResolver().query("content://android.provider  
.Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI", new String[]  
{Data._ID, Phone.NUMBER, Phone.LABEL})
```



## Request Sample (4)



_ID	NUMBER	NUMBER_KEY	LABEL	NAME	TYPE
13	(425) 555 6677	425 555 6677	Kirkland office	Bully Pulpit	TYPE_WORK
44	(212) 555-1234	212 555 1234	NY apartment	Alan Vain	TYPE_HOME
45	(212) 555-6657	212 555 6657	Downtown office	Alan Vain	TYPE_MOBILE
53	201.555.4433	201 555 4433	Love Nest	Rex Cars	TYPE_HOME

- to get a Cursor on the table containing only the fields \_ID, NUMBER, LABEL and the entries which label is equal to myLabel

```
Cursor cur =  
getContentResolver().query("content://android.provider  
.Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI", new String[]  
Data._ID, Phone.NUMBER, Phone.LABEL,  
Phone.LABEL + "=?", new String[]  
{String.valueOf(myLabel)})
```



## ► Data access

### ► entries

- `Cursor.moveToFirst()`
- `Cursor.moveToNext()`

### ► columns data

- `Cursor.getColumnIndex()` return the column ID;
- `Cursor.getString()`
- `Cursor.getInt()`
- `Cursor.getFloat()` return the corresponding data

## ► sample code

- API 1.6 and API 2.0 (access are different)
- access to `ContentProvider`  
`android.provider.Contacts`
- display of the identifier, name, phone number, mail address..



Access to contacts:

- iterate through entries using `Cursor.moveToNext()`

```
package TestContacts;
```

```
import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.ContentResolver;
import android.database.Cursor;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.provider.Contacts;
import android.provider.Contacts.People;

public class TestContacts extends Activity {
    /** Called when the activity is first created. */
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.main);
        ContentResolver cr = getContentResolver();
        Cursor cur = cr.query(People.CONTENT_URI,
            >         null, null, null, null);
        if (cur.getCount() > 0) {
            >         while (cur.moveToNext()) {
            >             String id = cur.getString(cur.getColumnIndex(People._ID));
            >             String name = cur.getString(cur.getColumnIndex(People.DISPLAY_NAME));
            >         }
        }
    }
}
```





## V1.6 Contact Content Provider

Access to contacts phone number:

- ▶ phone numbers are stored as index in the table  
`Contacts.People.CONTENT_URI`  
(`PRIMARY_PHONE_ID`)
- ▶ index are pointing to a separated table  
(`Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI`) which could  
contain several phone entries

```
if (Integer.parseInt(cur.getString(
    cur.getColumnIndex(People.PRIMARY_PHONE_ID))) > 0) {
    > Cursor pCur = cr.query(
    >         >         Contacts.Phones.CONTENT_URI,
    >         >         null,
    >         >         Contacts.Phones.PERSON_ID + " = ?",
    >         >         new String[]{id}, null);
    > int i=0;
    > int pCount = pCur.getCount();
    > String[] phoneNum = new String[pCount];
    > String[] phoneType = new String[pCount];
    > while (pCur.moveToNext()) {
    >     >     phoneNum[i] = pCur.getString(
    >         >         pCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.Phones.NUMBER));
    >     >     phoneType[i] = pCur.getString(
    >         >         pCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.Phones.TYPE));
    >     >     i++;
    > }
}
```



Access to contacts emails:

- ▶ mail addresses are stored as index in the table  
`Contacts.People.CONTENT_URI`
- ▶ index are pointing to a separated table  
`Contacts.ContactMethods.CONTENT_EMAIL_URI`  
which could contain several mail entries

```
Cursor emailCur = cr.query(  
    >         >         Contacts.ContactMethods.CONTENT_EMAIL_URI,  
    >         >         null,  
    >         >         Contacts.ContactMethods.PERSON_ID + " = ?",  
    >         >         new String[]{id}, null);  
while (emailCur.moveToNext()) {  
    // permet l'accès à tous les emails  
}  
emailCur.close();
```



Access to contacts postal addresses:

- ▶ a statement should be added to the request

```
Contact.ContactMethods.KIND =  
Contacts.ContactMethods  
.CONTENT_POSTAL_ITEM_TYPE
```

- ▶ this statement restrains the entries to the postal addresses within the table

```
Contacts.ContactMethods.CONTENT_URI_URI  
which could contain several mail entries
```

```
String addrWhere = Contacts.ContactMethods.PERSON_ID  
    + " = ? AND " + Contacts.ContactMethods.KIND + " = ?";  
String[] addrWhereParams = new String[]{id,  
> Contacts.ContactMethods.CONTENT_POSTAL_ITEM_TYPE}; >  
Cursor addrCur = cr.query(Contacts.ContactMethods.CONTENT_URI,  
    null, addrWhere, addrWhereParams, null);  
while(addrCur.moveToNext()) {  
>     String addr = addrCur.getString(  
        addrCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.ContactMethodsColumns.DATA));  
>     String type = addrCur.getString(  
        addrCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.ContactMethodsColumns.TYPE));  
}  
addrCur.close();
```



## Access to contacts organizations:

- data are stored in

`Contacts.Organizations.CONTENT_URI`

```
String orgWhere = Contacts.ContactMethods.PERSON_ID + " = ?";
String[] orgWhereParams = new String[]{id};
Cursor orgCur = cr.query(Contacts.Organizations.CONTENT_URI,
    null, orgWhere, orgWhereParams, null);
if (orgCur.moveToFirst()) {
    > String orgName = orgCur.getString(
        orgCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.Organizations.COMPANY));
    > String title = orgCur.getString(
        orgCur.getColumnIndex(Contacts.Organizations.TITLE));
}
orgCur.close();
```

- add permissions in the `AndroidManifest.xml`

```
<uses-permission
android:name="android.permission.READ_CONTACTS"
/>
```



Access to contacts:

- ▶ iterate through entries using `Cursor.moveToNext()`
- ▶ data are stored in

`ContactsContract.Contacts.CONTENT_URI`

```
package TestContacts;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.ContentResolver;
import android.database.Cursor;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.provider.ContactsContract;

public class TestContacts extends Activity {
    /** Called when the activity is first created. */
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.main);
        ContentResolver cr = getContentResolver();
        Cursor cur = cr.query(ContactsContract.Contacts.CONTENT_URI,
            null, null, null, null);
        if (cur.getCount() > 0) {
            while (cur.moveToNext()) {
                String id = cur.getString(
                    cur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.Contacts._ID));
                String name = cur.getString(
                    cur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.Contacts.DISPLAY_NAME));
                if (Integer.parseInt(cur.getString(cur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.Contacts.HAS_PHONE_NUMBER))) > 0) {
                    //Interrogations ultérieures
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```



Access to contacts phone number:

- access to a separated table which could contain several phone entries with the contact ID

```
if (Integer.parseInt(cur.getString(
    cur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.Contacts.HAS_PHONE_NUMBER))) > 0) {
    Cursor pCur = cr.query(
        ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Phone.CONTENT_URI,
        null,
        ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Phone.CONTACT_ID + " = ?",
        new String[]{id}, null);
    while (pCur.moveToNext()) {
        // Do something with phones
    }
    pCur.close();
}
```



Access to contacts emails:

- ▶ separated table

`ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Email.CONTENT_URI`

- ▶ index are pointing to a separated table  
which could contain several email entries

```
Cursor emailCur = cr.query(  
    > ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Email.CONTENT_URI,  
    > null,  
    > ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Email.CONTACT_ID + " = ?",  
    > new String[]{id}, null);  
while (emailCur.moveToNext()) {  
    // This would allow you get several email addresses  
    // if the email addresses were stored in an array  
    String email = emailCur.getString(  
        emailCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Email.DATA));  
    String emailType = emailCur.getString(  
        emailCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Email.TYPE));  
}  
emailCur.close();
```



Access to contacts postal addresses:

- ▶ a statement should be added to the request

```
ContactsContract.Data.MIMETYPE =  
ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.  
.CONTENT_ITEM_TYPE
```

```
String addrWhere = ContactsContract.Data.CONTACT_ID + " = ? AND " + ContactsContract.Data.MIMETYPE + " = ?";  
String[] addrWhereParams = new String[]{id,  
> ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.CONTENT_ITEM_TYPE};  
Cursor addrCur = cr.query(ContactsContract.Data.CONTENT_URI,  
    null, where, whereParameters, null);  
while(addrCur.moveToNext()) {  
> String poBox = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.POBOX));  
> String street = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.STREET));  
> String city = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.CITY));  
> String state = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.REGION));  
> String postalCode = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.POSTCODE));  
> String country = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.COUNTRY));  
> String type = addrCur.getString(  
    addrCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.StructuredPostal.TYPE));  
}  
addrCur.close();
```





## Access to contacts organizations:

- ▶ data are stored in

`ContactsContract.Data.CONTENT_URI`

- ▶ add permissions in the `AndroidManifest.xml`

`<uses-permission`

`android:name="android.permission.READ_CONTACTS"`

`>`

```
String orgWhere = ContactsContract.Data.CONTACT_ID + " = ? AND " + ContactsContract.Data.MIMETYPE + " = ?";
String[] orgWhereParams = new String[]{id,
    ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Organization.CONTENT_ITEM_TYPE};
Cursor orgCur = cr.query(ContactsContract.Data.CONTENT_URI,
    null, orgWhere, orgWhereParams, null);
if (orgCur.moveToFirst()) {
    > String orgName = orgCur.getString(orgCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Organization.DATA));
    > String title = orgCur.getString(orgCur.getColumnIndex(ContactsContract.CommonDataKinds.Organization.TITLE));
}
orgCur.close();
```



Inserting an entry in a table:

- ▶ mapping key/value is used;
- ▶ key for column, value for the corresponding data;
- ▶ call to the method `ContentResolver.insert()`

```
import android.provider.Contacts.People;
import android.content.ContentResolver;
import android.content.ContentValues;

ContentValues values = new ContentValues();

// Add Abraham Lincoln to contacts and make him a favorite.
values.put(People.NAME, "Abraham Lincoln");
// 1 = the new contact is added to favorites
// 0 = the new contact is not added to favorites
values.put(People.STARRED, 1);

Uri uri = getContentResolver().insert(People.CONTENT_URI, values);
```



Deleting an entry: `ContentResolver.delete()`

```
public final int delete (Uri url, String where, String\[\] selectionArgs)
```

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- ▶ through an URI and a specific ID. Only this entry is deleted;
- ▶ through an URI and a SQL `where` statement and a `selectionArgs` which specify the entries to be deleted.



# MediaStore Example (1)



The mediaStore allows the storage of various data relating to Images, Audio and Video

```
import android.provider.MediaStore.Images.Media;
import android.content.ContentValues;
import java.io.OutputStream;

// Save the name and description of an image in a ContentValues map.
ContentValues values = new ContentValues(3);
values.put(Media.DISPLAY_NAME, "road_trip_1");
values.put(Media.DESRIPTION, "Day 1, trip to Los Angeles");
values.put(Media.MIME_TYPE, "image/jpeg");

// Add a new record without the bitmap, but with the values just set.
// insert() returns the URI of the new record.
Uri uri = getContentResolver().insert(Media.EXTERNAL_CONTENT_URI, values);

// Now get a handle to the file for that record, and save the data into it.
// Here, sourceBitmap is a Bitmap object representing the file to save to the database.
try {
    OutputStream outStream = getContentResolver().openOutputStream(uri);
    sourceBitmap.compress(Bitmap.CompressFormat.JPEG, 50, outStream);
    outStream.close();
} catch (Exception e) {
    Log.e(TAG, "exception while writing image", e);
}
```



Three steps:

1. create the data storage (file/database/web service)
2. extends the class `ContentProvider` to provide access to the data;
3. declare the provider in the file `AndroidManifest.xml`

```
<provider name="com.example.autos.AutoInfoProvider"
          authorities="com.example.autos.autoinfoprovider"
          . . . />
</provider>
```

- ▶ name for the derived class;
- ▶ authorities for the identification of the `ContentProvider` towards the `ContentResolver`



- ▶ To extend the `ContentProvider` class, the 6 following abstract methods should be implemented;
  - ▶ `query()`: should return a `Cursor`. Some cursors are already available (`MatrixCursor`, `MergeCursor`, `SQLiteCursor`). For testing purposes, a `MockCursor` can be used;
  - ▶ `insert()`
  - ▶ `update()`
  - ▶ `delete()`
  - ▶ `getType()`
  - ▶ `onCreate()`
- ▶ because of the possible concurrent accesses, a thread-safe implementation is required
- ▶ `ContentResolver.notifyChange()` is used to get notifications of data, if listeners are available.



Ease the future extensions using :

- ▶ class constants to name the tables;
- ▶ class constants to name the fields (columns)

```
public static final String PROVIDER_NAME = "com.example.library.libraryprovider";  
public static final Uri CONTENT_URI = Uri.parse("content://" + PROVIDER_NAME + "/books");
```

```
public static final String _ID = "_ID";  
public static final String BOOK_TITLE = "title";  
public static final String BOOK_AUTHOR = "author";  
public static final String BOOK_YEAR = "year";
```



- ▶ `ContentProvider` on a simple example : books
- ▶ shows how to declare the `ContentProvider` and the way to access it from another activity;
- ▶ for this example, data are created within the code and accessed through a `MatrixCursor`





# LibraryContentProvider (1)



```
package com.example.library.provider;

import android.content.ContentProvider;
import android.content.ContentResolver;
import android.content.ContentValues;
import android.database.Cursor;
import android.database.MatrixCursor;
import android.net.Uri;
import android.provider.BaseColumns;

public class LibraryContentProvider extends ContentProvider {

    >     public static final String PROVIDER_NAME = "com.example.library.provider.Libraryprovider";
    >     public static final Uri CONTENT_URI = Uri.parse("content://" + PROVIDER_NAME + "/books");

    >     public static final String _ID = "_ID";
    >     public static final String BOOK_TITLE = "title";
    >     public static final String BOOK_AUTHOR = "author";
    >     public static final String BOOK_YEAR = "year";

    // This must be the same as what as specified as the Content Provider authority
    // in the manifest file.
    static final String AUTHORITY = "com.example.library.libraryprovider";

    >     // sample data to show the ContentProvider principle
    >     public class Book {
    >         public String title;
    >         public String author;
    >         public String year;
    >     }
}
```



```
@Override
public boolean onCreate() {
    > // initialiser des données ici (on simule l'existence d'une BD)
    >
    > Book data[] = new Book[3];

    > data[0].title = "Le viel homme et la mer";
    > data[0].author = "E. Hemmingway";
    > data[0].year = "1951";

    > data[1].title = "Les travailleurs de la mer";
    > data[1].author = "V. Hugo";
    > data[1].year = "1866";
    >
    > data[2].title = "Moby-Dick";
    > data[2].author = "H. Melville";
    > data[2].year = "1851";

    return true;
}
```



# LibraryContentProvider (3)



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```
@Override
public String getType(Uri uri) {
    // create a new MIME type "com.books" for the values which are returned
    return ContentResolver.CURSOR_DIR_BASE_TYPE + '/' + "com.books";
}

@Override
public Cursor query(Uri uri, String[] projection, String selection, String[] selectionArgs, String sortOrder) {

    MatrixCursor c = new MatrixCursor(new String[] {
        _ID,
        BOOK_TITLE,
        BOOK_AUTHOR,
        BOOK_YEAR
    });

    int row_index = 0;

    // Add x-axis data
    for (int i=0; i< data.length(); i++) {

        c.newRow()
        .add( row_index )
        .add( data[row_index].title )
        .add( data[row_index].author ) // Only create data for the first series.
        .add( data[row_index].year );

        row_index++;
    }

    return c;
}
```



```
@Override
public int update(Uri uri, ContentValues contentValues, String s, String[] as) {
    throw new UnsupportedOperationException(" To be implemented");
}

@Override
public Uri insert(Uri uri, ContentValues contentValues) {
    throw new UnsupportedOperationException(" To be implemented");
}

@Override
public int delete(Uri uri, String s, String[] as) {
    throw new UnsupportedOperationException(" To be implemented");
}
```



# Access to the LibraryContentProvider



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```
// pour utiliser le Content Provider

// 1) on obtient l'URI définie dans LibraryContentProvider

Uri allBooks = LibraryContentProvider.CONTENT_URI;

// 2) on effectue la requete
Cursor c = getContentResolver().query(allBooks, null, null, null, null );

// 3) et on traite les résultats
if (c.moveToFirst()) {
    do{

        > // we get the data
        String s = c.getString(c.getColumnIndex(
            LibraryContentProvider._ID)) + ", " +
            c.getString(c.getColumnIndex(
                LibraryContentProvider.BOOK_TITLE)) + ", " +
            c.getString(c.getColumnIndex(
                LibraryContentProvider.BOOK_AUTHOR)) + ", " +
            c.getString(c.getColumnIndex(
                LibraryContentProvider.BOOK_YEAR));

    } while (c.moveToNext());
}
```



- ▶ Structured data;
- ▶ easy access to various kind of data
  - ▶ own ressources
  - ▶ xml
  - ▶ SQLite...
- ▶ access rights are very clear;
- ▶ access control given to the applications.
  - ▶ an application manages its data;
  - ▶ data sharing are controlled by a `ContentProvider`.

