

Announcements

- 1) Office hours would be offline.
- 2) Assignment-1 released next week.

Basics of Android Programming

Android framework has kept evolving since starting in 2008.

Till 2019 \Rightarrow Java

After 2019 \Rightarrow Kotlin \Rightarrow Where did it come from?
Reactive Programming

Kotlin \Rightarrow created by IntelliJ

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2) Less verbose and less boilerplate \Rightarrow Need to have some other language.

2) Interoperability \Rightarrow Kotlin is still compatible/based on the same underlying VM's \Rightarrow desktop \Rightarrow JVM
Android \Rightarrow Dalvik

3) Supports multiple paradigms \Rightarrow Allows procedural programming

```
int main(void) {  
    :  
    :  
}
```

}

Android app can have multiple entry points.



An app can request you to jump to a [specific part/screen] of another app.



Activity

An app consists of a number of activities.



Can be invoked from different locations depending on the requirement.



each activity corresponds to the content shown on a screen.

⇒ draws the user interface (UI) once invoked.

How to define an activity?

Defined an abstract class called Activity in the Android framework itself.

onCreate() ⇒ onStart() ⇒ onResume()

onPause()

`onCreate()` \Rightarrow As soon as the activity is invoked;
draws the UI shown before the actual content is ready.

`onStart()` \Rightarrow Shows the actual UI with content.

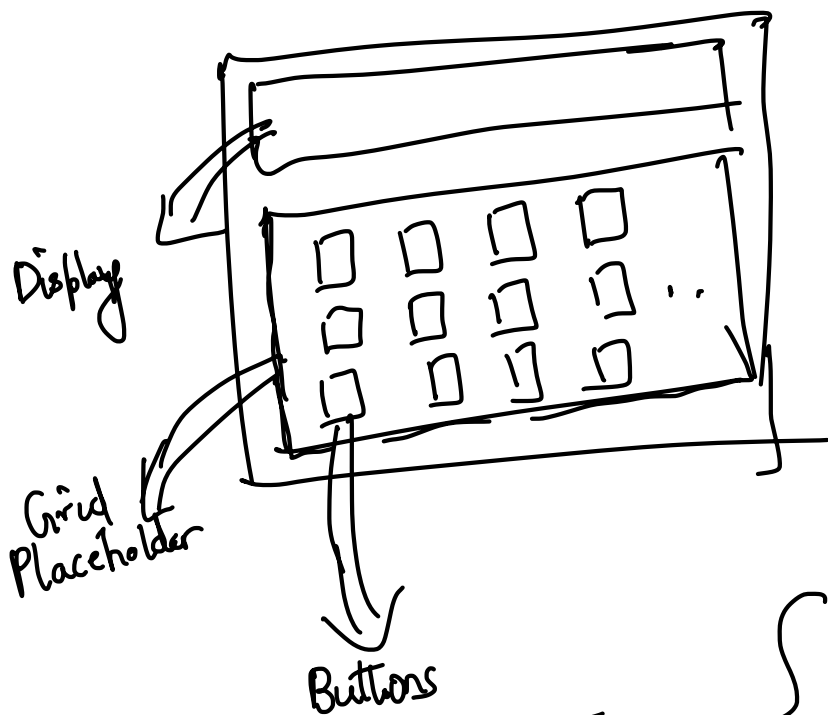
`onResume()` \Rightarrow Invoked whenever there is user interaction

`onPause()` \Rightarrow 1) user moves to a
different app by switching or pressing back
button.

`onStop()` \Rightarrow Invoked before stopping the execution.

~~onRestart()~~ `onRestart()` \Rightarrow When the same activity is restarted
or re-invoked.

Java and all previous languages; wherever UI programming
was used; had to specify how to create UIs.



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write a sequence of
steps to generate the
elements of the UI one-
by-one.

Composable functions
are used for

Don't specify how to
generate; instead ~~specify~~
describe only how the UI should
look.

such descriptions

- Valid Composable functions : \Rightarrow
- 1) Not use any local variable (arguments are fine)
 - 2) Not change the values of global variables.
 - 3) Annotated by @Composable.
 - 4) Any other function called also has to be composable.

Activities need to be listed in a manifest file;
Android Studio generates automatically.