

Lesson 2

Android Workbenches: Android Studio & Eclipse

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Android's Byte-Code Execution

Dalvik Virtual Machine vs. Android Runtime (ART)

The **Dalvik Virtual Machine** is a Just-in-Time (**JIT**) runtime environment (similar to the Oracle's Java Virtual Machine JVM) that interprets Android byte-code only when it's needed (however it will be phased out soon).

The newer **ART** (introduced as an option in Android 4.4 KitKat) is an anticipatory or Ahead-of-Time (AOT) environment that compiles code before it is actually needed.

ART promises:

- enhanced performance and battery efficiency,
- · improved garbage collection,
- · better debugging facilities,
- Improved diagnostic detail in exceptions and crash reports.

Quoting from

https://source.android.com/devices/tech/dalvik/art.html (Aug-27-2014)

Important: Dalvik must remain the default runtime or you risk breaking your Android implementations and third-party applications.

Android App's Anatomy

Android Applications (Just Apps)

- Android applications are usually created using the Java programming language [1]
- Apps must import various Android Libraries (such as android.jar, maps.jar, etc.) to gain the functionality needed to work inside the Android OS.
- Android apps are made of multiple elements such as: user-defined classes, android jars, third-party libraries, XML files defining the UIs or views, multimedia resources, data assets such as disk files, external arrays and strings, databases, and finally a *Manifest* summarizing the 'anatomy' and permissions requested by the app.
- The various app components are given to the compiler to obtain a single signed and deployable **Android Package** (an .apk file).
- Like ".class" files in Java, ".apk" files are the byte-code version of the app that finally will be 'executed' by interpretation inside either a Dalvik Virtual Machine (DVM) or an Android-Runtime Engine (ART).

[1] Visit http://xamarin.com/monoforandroid for a commercial iOS and Android IDE that works with C# and Windows .NET

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Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

You are a developer - Which is your SDK audience?

SDKs are named after types of desserts. Available versions at the time of writing are:

- 1.5 Cupcake,
- 1.6 Donut,
- 2.1 Eclair,
- 2.2 Froyo,
- 2.3 Gingerbread,
- 3.x Honevcomb.
- 4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich
- 4.3 Jelly Bean
- 4.4 Kitkat
- 5.x Lollipop
- 6.X Marshmallow

Android SDK version	Current market share
4.4 (KitKat)	42.0 %
4.1-4.3 (Jelly Bean)	34.4 %
5.0-5.1 (Lollipop)	16.5 %
2.3 (Gingerbread)	3.5 %
4.0.x (ICS)	3.3 %
2.2 (Froyo)	0.2 %
3.0-3.2 (Honeycomb)	0.1 %
2.0-2.1 (Eclair)	0.0 %

Statistics accessed on Sept 3, 2015 from AppBrain at http://www.appbrain.com/stats/top-android-sdk-versions

Tools for Constructing Android Apps

Development Workbenches

Android apps are made out of many components. The use of an IDE is *strongly* suggested to assist the developer in creating an Android solution. There are various options including:

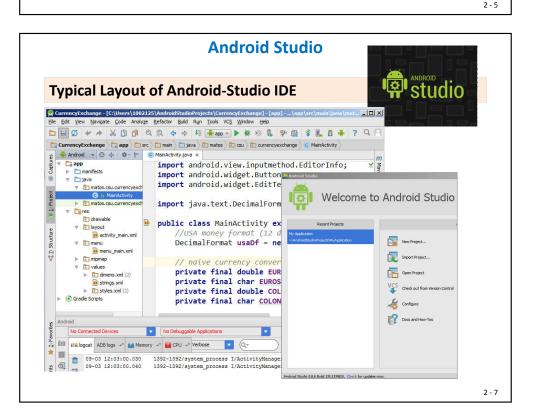
 Eclipse+ADT. The classic general purpose Eclipse IDE can be enhanced (with the ADT plugin) to provide a 'conventional' way to create and debug Android Apps. The associated SDK Manager allows you to reach the various API libraries needed by the apps.

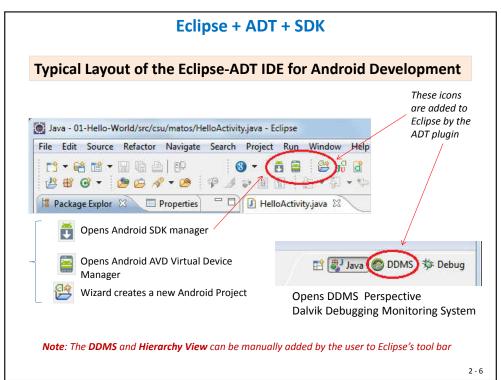


 Android Studio is a new Android-only development environment based on IntelliJ IDEA. It is the 'preferred' IDE platform for Android development.



 Netbeans+Android. Similar to Eclipse+ADT. Soon to be deprecated(?)

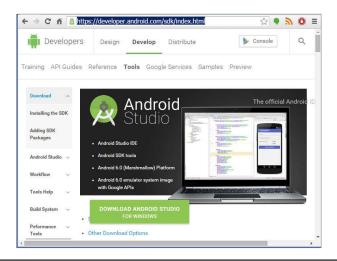




Setting up Android Studio

Downloading Android Studio IDE

Download IDE from: https://developer.android.com/sdk/index.html
Run the executable, you are (almost) done!



Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

ECLIPSE SETUP

Prepare your computer – Install SDK: Windows, Mac, Linux

We assume you have already installed the most recent Java JDK and Eclipse IDE in your computer

- Java JDK is available at: http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html
- Eclipse IDE for Java EE Developers is available at: http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/



The next instructions are given to:

- (a) User wanting to add a newer SDK to their existing collection,
- (b) First time users (who may or not be Eclipse users).

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Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

(b) First Time Android Users who have Eclipse already installed

- Obtain the appropriate (Windows, Max, Linux) Stand-alone SDK Tools for Windows from the page http://developer.android.com/sdk/index.html Execute the program, remember the folder's name and location in which the SDK is stored, you will have to supply this path to Eclipse.
- 2. Install the ADT Plugin for Eclipse (it must be already available in your machine)
 - 1. Start Eclipse, then select Help > Install New Software....
 - 2. Click Add button (top-right corner)
 - 3. In the next dialog-box enter "ADT Plugin" for the *Name* and the following URL for the *Location*: https://dl-ssl.google.com/android/eclipse/
 - 4. Click OK
 - 5. Select the checkbox next to Developer Tools and click **Next** > **Next**
 - 6. Accept the license agreements, then click Finish.
 - 7. After the installation end you need to restart Eclipse.
- 3. Add **Android platforms** and other components to your SDK (see previous option (a))

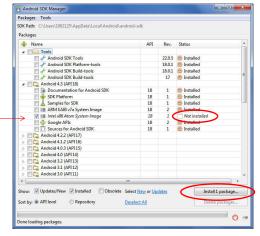
Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

(a) Users Wanting to Update an Older Android Workbench



If you are currently using the Android SDK, you just need to *update* to the latest tools or platform using the already installed *Android SDK Manager*.

- 1. Click on the SDK Manager icon.
- 2. You will see a form similar to the one on the right.
- Select the SDK packages and independent components you want to install (click 'Install' button and wait until they are setup in your machine...)



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Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

Configure the ADT Plugin

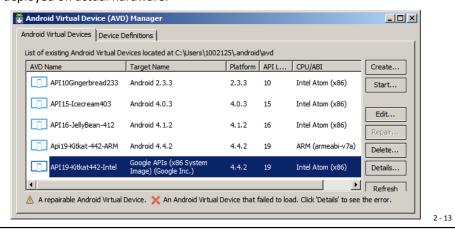
- 4. The next step is to inform your Eclipse+ADT workbench of the **android-sdk** directory's location (this is the path you saved on Step1)
 - 1. In Eclipse, select **Window** > **Preferences...** to open the Preferences panel (Mac OS X: **Eclipse** > **Preferences**).
 - 2. Select **Android** from the left panel.
 - To set the box SDK Location that appears in the main panel, click Browse... and locate your downloaded SDK directory (usually C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android\android-sdk)
 - 4. Click Apply, then OK.

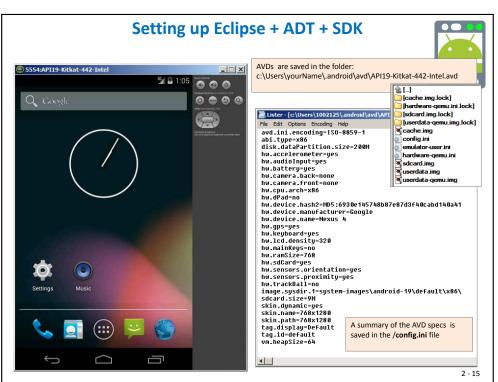
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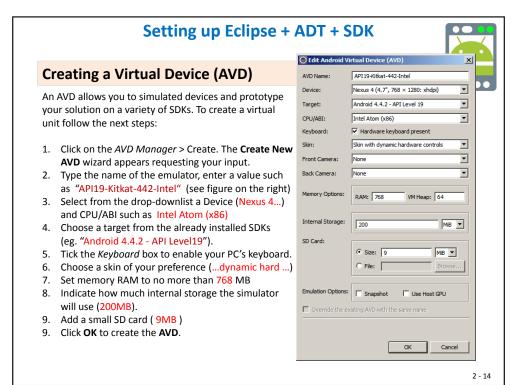
Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

Working with Virtual Devices (AVDs)

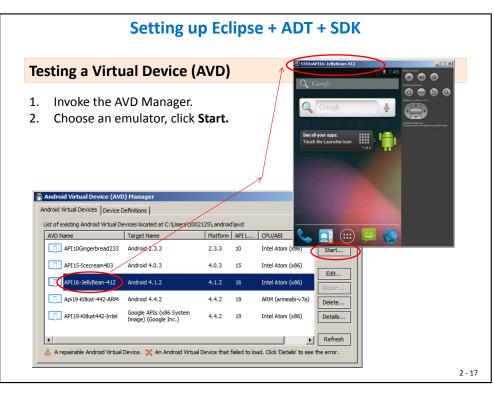
Ideally you should test your applications on a device (a physical phone or tablet). However, the SDK allows you to create realistic virtual devices on which your applications could be executed/debugged before they are deployed on actual hardware.

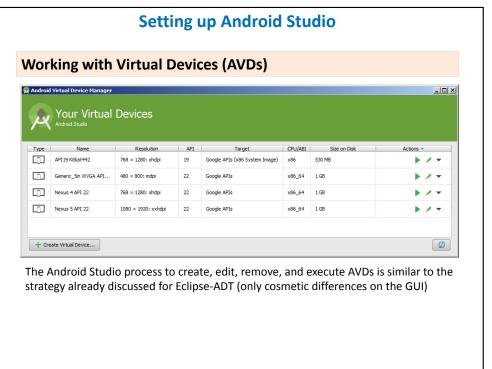


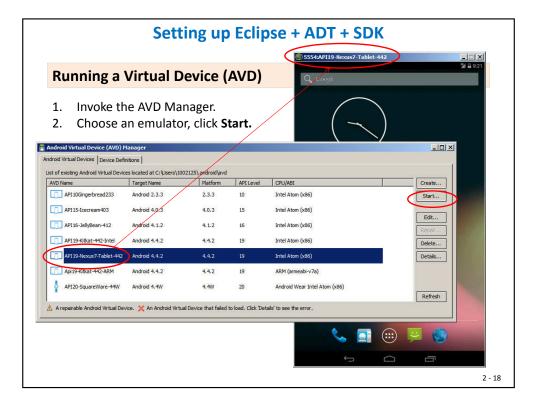


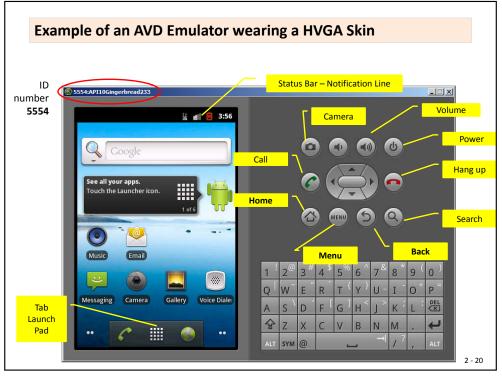


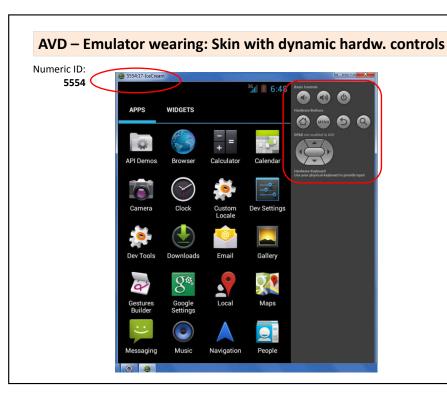












Controlling the AVD Operations

Keyboard	OS function
Escape	Back button
Home	Home button
F2, PageUp	Menu (Soft-Left) button
Shift-F2, PageDown	Start (Soft-Right) button
F3	Call/Dial button
F4	Hangup / EndCall button
F5	Search button
F7	Power button
Ctrl-F3, Ctrl-KEYPAD_5	Camera button
Ctrl-F5, KEYPAD_PLUS	Volume up button
Ctrl-F6, KEYPAD_MINUS	Volume down button
KEYPAD_5	DPad center
KEYPAD_4	DPad left
KEYPAD_6	DPad right
KEYPAD_8	DPad up
KEYPAD_2	DPad down
F8	toggle cell network on/off
F9	toggle code profiling
Alt-ENTER	toggle FullScreen mode
Ctrl-T	toggle trackball mode
Ctrl-F11, KEYPAD_7	switch to previous layout
Ctrl-F12, KEYPAD_9	switch to next layout

Controlling an Android Emulator through *your computer's* keyboard

Note: Keypad keys only work when *NumLock* is deactivated.



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AVD – Emulator : Disk Images

Working with Emulator Disk Images

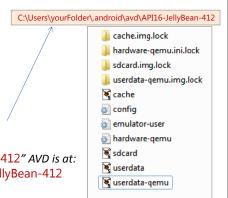
- The Android simulator uses QEMU technology [Website: www.qemu.org]
- QEMU is an open source machine emulator which allows the operating system and programs made for one machine (e.g. an ARM CPU) run efficiently on a different machine (e.g. your Windows PC).

When you create a Virtual Device, the SDK Makes several **disk images** containing among others:

- (1) OS kernel,
- (2) the Android system,
- (3) user data (userdata-gemu.img)
- (4) simulated SD card (sdcard.img).

By default, the Emulator searches for the disk images in the private storage area of the AVD in use, for instance the "API16-JellyBean-412" AVD is at: C:\Users\yourFolder\.android\avd\API16-JellyBean-412

Mac OS users should look into ~/.android/avd



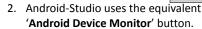
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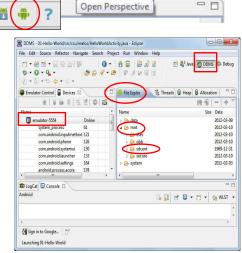
Transferring Files to/from Emulator's SD Card

Upload/download Data, Music and Picture files to the Emulator's SDcard

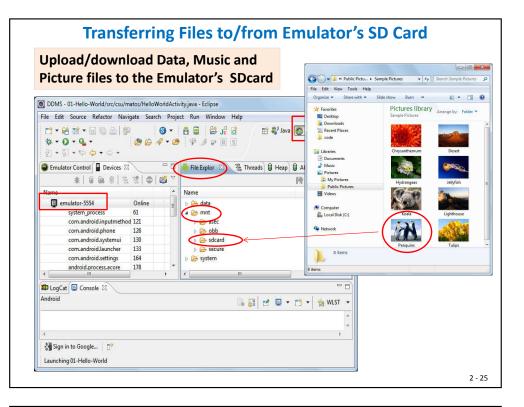
1. Eclipse developers needs to add the **DDMS** perspective.



- Change to the DDMS perspective.
 Make sure your AVD has started (You will see a layout similar to the figure on the lower right side)
- 4. Click on the File Explorer tab.
- Expand the **mnt** (mounted devices) folder.
- 6. Expand the sdcard folder
- 7. Open your Window's Explorer.
- Choose a file stored in your PC.
 Transfer a copy to the emulator by dragging and dropping it on top of the sdcard folder.



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Upload/download Data, Music and Picture files to the Emulator's SDcard

9. Pictures may be displayed by clicking the *Application Pad* and invoking the **Gallery** application





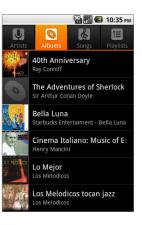


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Transferring Files to/from Emulator's SD Card

Upload/download Data, Music and Picture files to the Emulator's SDcard

8. Return to the emulator. This time you may use native apps such as 'Music' and 'Gallery' to see your recently uploaded multimedia files. For instance...







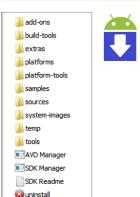
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Setting up Eclipse + ADT + SDK

Locate your 'android-sdk' & AVD folder

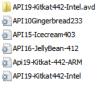
After you complete your setup look for the following two subdirectories in your PC's file system

C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android-sdk



This folder contains your Android SDK, tools, and platforms

C:\Users\yourWindowsUserName\.android\avd



Api 19-Kitkat-442-ARM, avd

This directory holds your Virtual Devices (AVDs)

Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

We will use **Android Studio IDE** to create a bare bone app.

Click on the entry: 'Start new Android Studio Project'.

A wizard will guide you providing a sequence of menu driven selections.

The final product is the skeleton of your Android app.



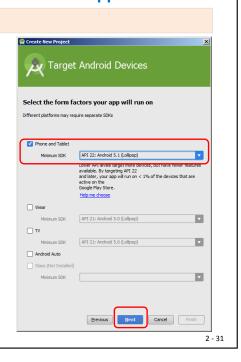
Android apps are usually made of a rich collection of various type of components including Java code, multimedia resources, XML files, etc. The *New Android Studio Project* Wizard facilitates the assembly of those parts and organizes the components in various sub-directories.

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Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

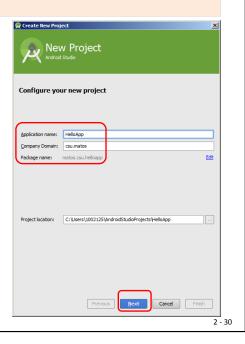
- Select Target Android Device. In this example Phone and Table is already checked. Other options are: Wear, TV, Auto, Glasses.
- Choose from drop-down list the Minimum SDK on which the app will work. In this example we have selected: API22 Android 5.1 (Lollipod)
- 6. Click Next



Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

- 1. Enter in the *Application Name* box: HelloApp
- Enter Company Domain: csu.matos (usually a dot-separated string consisting of company and programmer's name)
- 3. Click Next



Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

- 7. Select the pre-defined app template to apply. In this example we choose:

 Blank Activity
- 8. Click Next



Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

 The wizard is ready to construct the solution. The text-boxes give you an opportunity to change any of the default names given to the main activity, the app's layout, its title, and menu. Please do not change anything now.

10. Click Finish

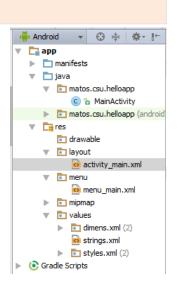
11. You are done! (your next step is to try the app on the emulator – explained later in this lesson)



Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

- Java/ Holds your Main-Activity Java code. All other Java files for your application go here.
- res/ This folder stores application resources such as drawable files, UI layout files, string values, menus, multimedia, etc.
- manifests The Android Manifest for your project.

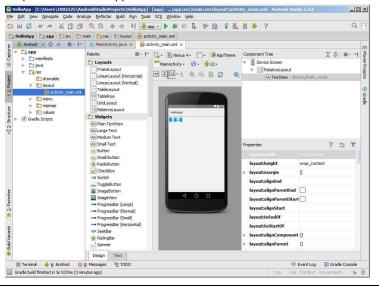


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Android Studio: Hello World App

Example 2.1: HelloWorld App

The app's GUI and the Palette (graphical toolbox) are shown. On the left pane, the Project Explorer shows the application's file structure.

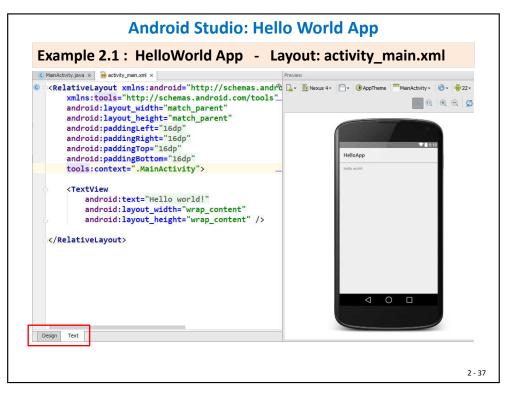


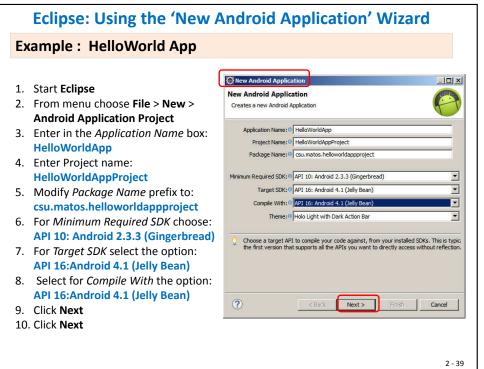
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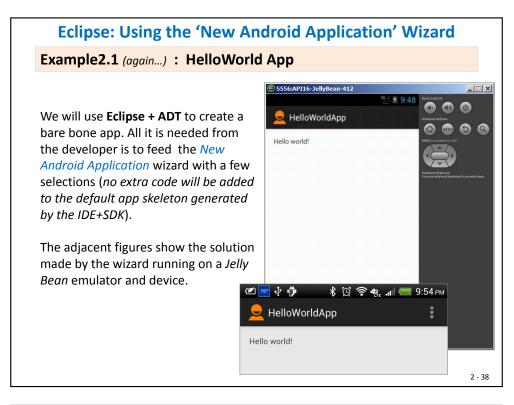
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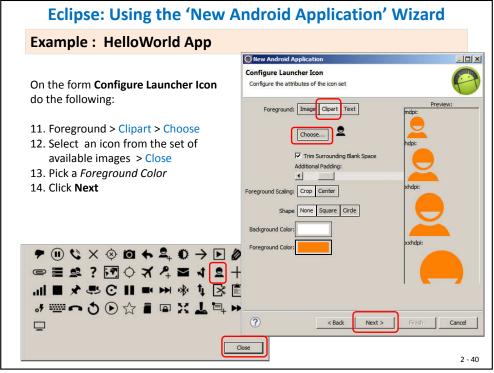
Example 2.1: HelloWorld App – Java Code: MainActivity.java

```
package matos.csu.helloapp;
public class MainActivity extends Activity {
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
         // Inflate the menu; this adds items to the action bar if it is present.
        getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.menu main, menu);
        return true;
    public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
        // Handle action bar item clicks here. The action bar will
        // automatically handle clicks on the Home/Up button, so long
        // as you specify a parent activity in AndroidManifest.xml.
        int id = item.getItemId();
         //noinspection SimplifiableIfStatement
        if (id == R.id.action_settings) {
             return true:
         return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);
}
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```









Eclipse: Using the 'New Android Application' Wizard

Example: HelloWorld App

The **Create Activity** form provides a number of basic templates from which your application could be constructed.

- 15. Select the **Blank Activity** template.
- 16. Click Next.



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Eclipse: Using the 'New Android Application' Wizard

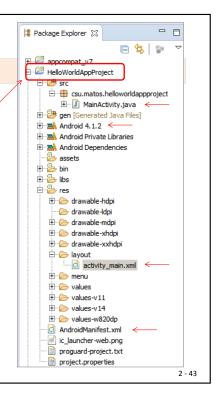
Example: HelloWorld App

File Structure

The folders and files shown on the figure are part of the newly created app.

Here we are using Eclipse's *Package Explorer* facility to navigate inside the folder holding the app.

To test the application, position the cursor on the code panel, and then click on the *Run* menu button.



Eclipse: Using the 'New Android Application' Wizard

Example: HelloWorld App

The **Blank Activity** form provides a way to name the main Activity and Layout name.

- Leave the default values shown in the form (Activity Name and Layout Name).
- 18. Click Finish.

At this point the wizard has completed all the steps required to make the app.

After a few seconds the Eclipse perspective shows the app's UI. The Java solution is shown in the PackageExplorer pane (see next pages)



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Eclipse: Using the 'New Android Application' Wizard

File Structure of a Typical Android App

- src/ Includes your skeleton Activity Java file. All other Java files for your application go here.
- <Android Version>/ (e.g., Android 4.1/) Includes the android.jar file that your application will build against.
- gen/ This contains the Java files generated by ADT, such as your R.java file
- assets/ This is empty. You can use it to store raw asset files.
- res/ This folder holds application resources such as drawable files, UI layout files, string values, etc.
- bin/ The bytecode (.apk) version of your app is stored here
- AndroidManifest.xml The Android Manifest for your project.
- default.properties This file contains project settings, such as the build target.

Android Emulator – Looking Under the Hood

Login into the Android OS shell

- Although it is not necessary, a developer may gain access to some of the innermost parts of the Android OS.
- For a UNIX-like experience you can log into the system by executing the emulator and issuing selected shell commands.

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Android Emulator – Looking Under the Hood

Login into the Android OS shell

If more than one emulator is running (or your phone is physically connected to the computer using the USB cable) you need to identify the target.

Follow the next steps:

1. Get a list of attached devices

adb devices

List of devices attached emulator-5554 device emulator-5556 device HT845GZ45737 device

```
C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android-sdk\platform-tools>

C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android-sdk\platform-tools>adb devices device mulator-5556 device
HT249W301880 device

C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android-sdk\platform-tools>
```

2. Run the adb application as follows:

```
adb -s emulator-5554 shell
```

Remember, the adb tool is located at C:\Program Files (x86)\Android\android-sdk\platform-tools\

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Login into the Android OS shell

STEPS

- Use the Eclipse AVD
 Manager to start one of your AVDs (say Gingerbread23)
- At the DOS command prompt level run the Android Debug Bridge (adb) application

adb shell

adb is a tool located in the directory:

C:\Your-SDK-Folder\Android\android-sdk\platform-tools\

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Android accepts a number of Linux shell commands including the useful set below

ls ... show directory (alphabetical order)

mkdir ... make a directory

rmdir ... remove directory

rm -r ... to delete folders with files

rm ... remove files

mv ... moving and renaming files

cat ... displaying short files

cd ... change current directory

pwd ... find out what directory you are in

df ... shows available disk space

chmod ... changes permissions on a file

date ... display date

exit ... terminate session
```

There is no copy **(cp)** command in Android, but you could use **cat** instead. For instance:

cat data/app/theInstalledApp.apk > cache/theInstalledApp.apk

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Hacking: Moving an app from a Rooted Phone to the Emulator

If you want to transfer an app that is currently installed in your rooted developer's phone to the emulator, follow the next steps:

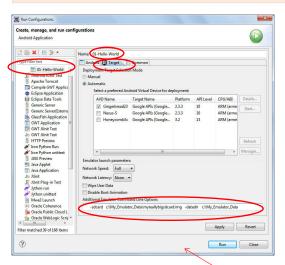
- Run command shell: > adb devices (find out your hardware's id, say HT096P800176)
- Pull the file from the device to your computer's file system. Enter the command adb -s HT096P800176 pull data/app/theInstalledApp.apk c:\theInstalledApp.apk
- 3. Disconnect your Android phone
- 4. Run an instance of the Emulator
- 5. Now install the app on the emulator using the command adb -s emulator-5554 install c:\theInstalledApp.apk adb -s emulator-5554 uninstall data/app/theInstalledApp.apk ← to uninstall

You should see a message indicating the size of the installed package, and finally: *Success*.

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Android Emulator – Looking Under the Hood

Using an alternate SD card & userData Image



From the Eclipse menu create a new launch configuration:

Run >

Run Configurations > New icon

On the **Target** panel:

- Select existing AVD (Gingerbread in this example)
- 2. Enter additional Command Line Options (see caption below)
- 3. Click on Apply > Run

Additional Emulator Command Line Options:
-sdcard c:\My_Emulator_Data\myreallybigsdcard.img -datadir c:\My_Emulator_Data

Android Emulator – Looking Under the Hood

Simpler than Hacking: Install a File Manager for Android

Visit **Google Play Store** and choose a user-friendly file manager app from the various (usually very good) options available.

A file manager app allows you to easily administer the folders and files in the system's flash memory and SD card of your Android device (or emulator).



A sample of File-Management apps seen at https://play.google.com on Aug-27th -2014

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Android Emulator – Simulate Texting

Sending Text Messages from your Window's PC to the Emulator

- 1. Start the emulator.
- 2. Open a new DOS command shell and type:
 - c:> adb devices

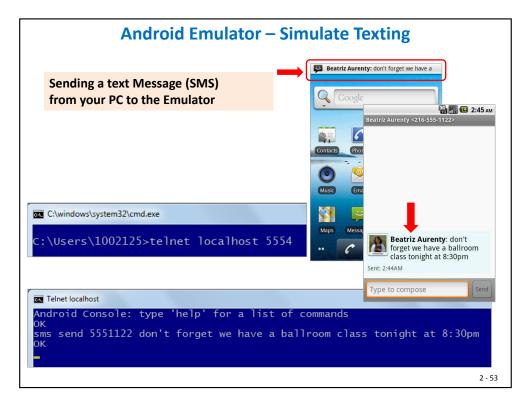
this way you get to know the emulator's numeric port id (usually **5554**, **5556**, and so on)

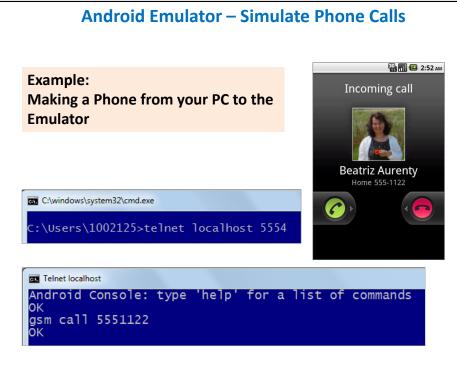
- 3. Initiate a Telnet session with the sender at localhost, port 5556 identifies an active (receiving) Android emulator. Type the command:
 - c:> telnet localhost 5554
- 4. After receiving the telnet prompt, you can send a text message to the emulator on port 5554 (no quotes needed for the message)

sms send <Sender's phone number> <text message>

Windows7 - temporarily install Telnet Client by using a command line

- 1. Click Start button, type cmd in the 'search programs and files' box, and then press ENTER.
- 2. Type the following command: pkgmgr /iu:"TelnetClient"





Android Emulator – Simulate Phone Calls

Making a Phone Call from your PC to the Emulator

- 1. Start the emulator.
- 2. Open a new shell and type:

adb devices

to know the emulator's numeric port id (usually **5554**, **5556**, and so on)

- 3. Connect to the console using telnet command like: telnet localhost 5554 (5554 is the 'phone number' to be called)
- 4. After receiving the telnet prompt you can place a call (voice) with the command

gsm call <caller's phone number>

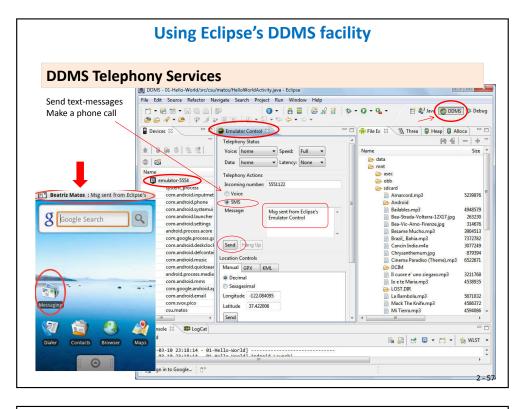
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Using: Android Device Monitor

It is *much simpler* to test telephony operations (SMS/Voice) as well as GPS services using the controls included in the IDE (both AS and Eclipse)

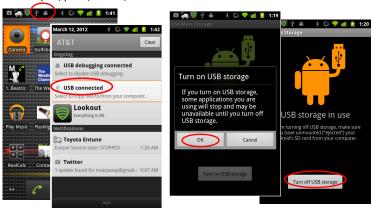
- **1. Telephony Status** change the state of the phone's Voice and Data plans (home, roaming, searching, etc.), and simulate different kinds of network Speed and Latency (GPRS, EDGE, UTMS, etc.).
- **2. Telephony Actions** perform simulated phone calls and SMS messages to the emulator.
- **3. Location Controls** send mock location data to the emulator so that you can perform location-aware operations requiring GPS assistance.
 - Manually send individual longitude/latitude coordinates to the device. Click Manual, select the coordinate format, fill in the fields and click Send.
 - Use a **GPX file** describing a route for playback to the device.
 - Use a **KML** file to place multiple *placemarker points* on a map



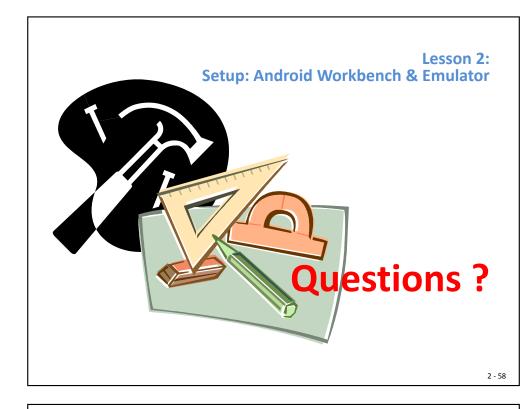


Connecting your Physical Device to the Computer

- 1. Make sure the USB driver has been installed in your PC (click Extras > check box [Google USB driver package] to install)
- 2. Use a mini-USB cable to connect the device to your computer.
- 3. Expand the Notification bar. Click on [USB connected] option.
- 4. Click on [Turn on USB storage] to mount the device.
- 5. Now you could now use the Eclipse-ADT-File Explorer and your Window's Explorer tool to pull/push/delete/rename files to the device.



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Appendix 2 – Emulator-to-Emulator Interaction

- 1. Run two instances of the emulator (typical IDs are: 5554, 5556, ...)
- 2. Dial (or send SMS) from one of them (say 5554) to the other (5556)
- 3. Press the Green/Red call buttons to accept/terminate the call
- 4. Try sending SMS (use numbers 5554 and 5556)



Appendix 3 – Sync your Contacts

How to Transfer Your Google Contacts into the Emulator

- 1. Go to your Gmail account using a web browser, click on Gmail > Contacts on the left sidebar.
- 2. Select all the contacts you want on your emulator/phone. Then click on **More > Export** and select **vCard** format. Download the "contacs.vcf" file to your PC.
- 3. Push the contacs.vcf file from the PC to the emulator's **SD card**.
- 4. Open the emulator's **Contacts** app hit **Menu** > **Import**.
- 5. Choose the option Import from SD card.



Source visited on July 2009, link:

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1114052/importing-gmail-contacts-on-android-emulator

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Appendix 4

Shortcuts: Android-Studio IDE

Operation	Android Studio Shortcut
Reformat code	CTRL + ALT + L
Optimize imports	CTRL + ALT + O
Code Completion	CTRL + SPACE
Issue quick fix	ALT + ENTER
Surround code block	CTRL + ALT + T
Line Comment or Uncomment	CTRL + /
Block Comment or Uncomment	CTRL + SHIFT + /
Close Active Tab	CTRL + F4
Build and run	SHIFT + F10
Build	CTRL + F9
All Options	Ctrl + Shift + A

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Eclipse developers are used to typing

Ctrl + Shift + O

To Organize ALL imports.

To automatically accomplish the same effect, modify your Android Studio Workbench as indicated on the figure to the right.

File > Settings > Editor > General > Auto Import

