

GETTING GROOVY ON ANDROID



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OVERVIEW

- ▶ Why
- ▶ How it works
- ▶ How to Android
- ▶ Pitfalls
- ▶ Other Groovy Awesomeness



- ▶ Fun
 - ▶ Different problems
- ▶ Free and Open Source
 - ▶ I can use linux!
 - ▶ \$25 to publish an app(s)

WHY ANDROID?

- ▶ Eases the Pain of Android Development
 - ▶ Less Verbose
 - ▶ DSLs
 - ▶ AST Transformations
 - ▶ Extension Methods

WHY GROOVY?

```
public final class Person {  
    private final String firstName;  
    private final String lastName;  
    public Person(String firstName, String lastName) {  
        this.firstName = firstName;  
        this.lastName = lastName;  
    }  
    public String getFirstName() { return firstName; }  
    public String getLastName() { return lastName; }  
    @Override public boolean equals(Object o) { /*lots of code here*/ }  
    @Override public int hashCode() { /*lots of code here*/ }  
    @Override public String toString() { /*lots of code here*/ }  
}
```

WHY GROOVY

```
@Immutable  
final class Person {  
    private final String firstName  
    private final String lastName  
}
```

WHY GROOVY

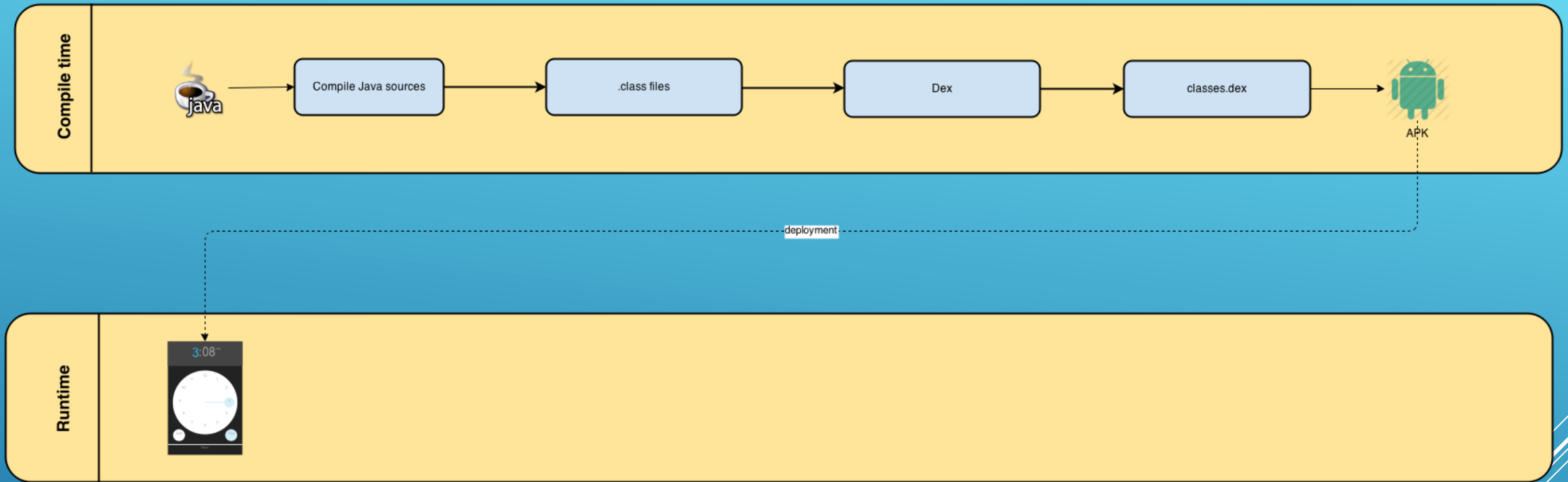


```
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
    @Override void onClick(View v) {  
        //...  
    }  
});
```

WHY GROOVY

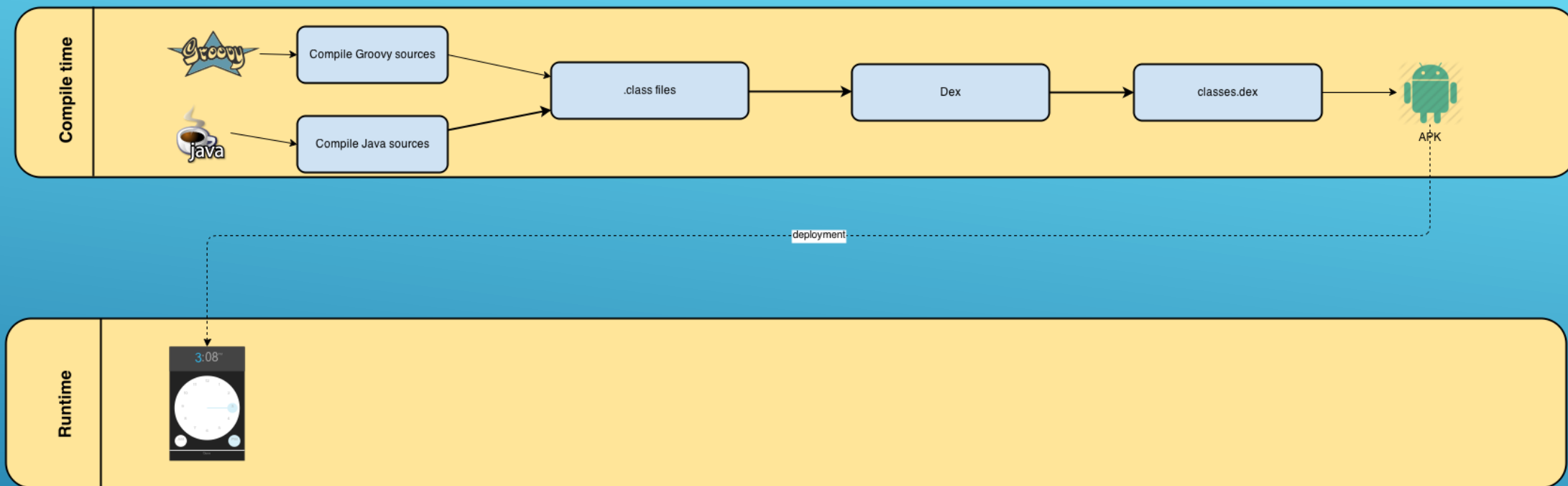

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WHY GROOVY



HOW IT WORKS

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- ▶ Android Missing java.bean package
- ▶ Workarounds for Android behavior
- ▶ Reduced method count

HOW IT WORKS - GOOID JAR

```
buildscript {  
    repositories {  
        jcenter()  
    }  
    dependencies {  
        classpath 'com.android.tools.build:gradle:1.1.0'  
        classpath 'org.codehaus.groovy:gradle-groovy-android-plugin:0.3.6'  
    }  
}  
  
apply plugin: 'groovyx.grooid.groovy-android'
```

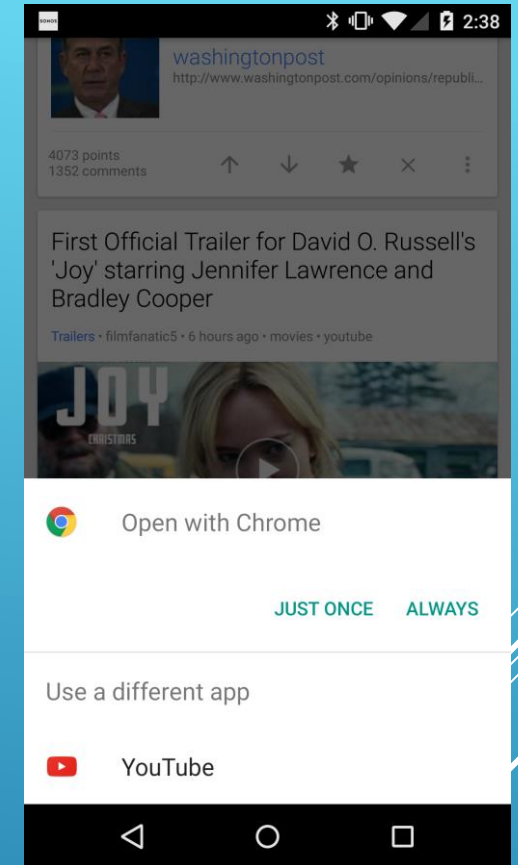
- ▶ Place code in src/main/groovy
- ▶ Issue: Android Gradle Plugin Changes

HOW IT WORKS - GRADLE PLUGIN

- ▶ Android Manifest
- ▶ Application
- ▶ Activities
- ▶ Fragments
- ▶ Views
- ▶ Resources

HOW TO ANDROID

- ▶ "The manifest file presents essential information about your app to the Android System..."
- ▶ Every app must have one
- ▶ Tells the system what Activity to start.
- ▶ Defines permissions your app needs.
- ▶ Tells the system what services you have.
- ▶ Tells the system and other apps, what your app is capable of.
- ▶ Example

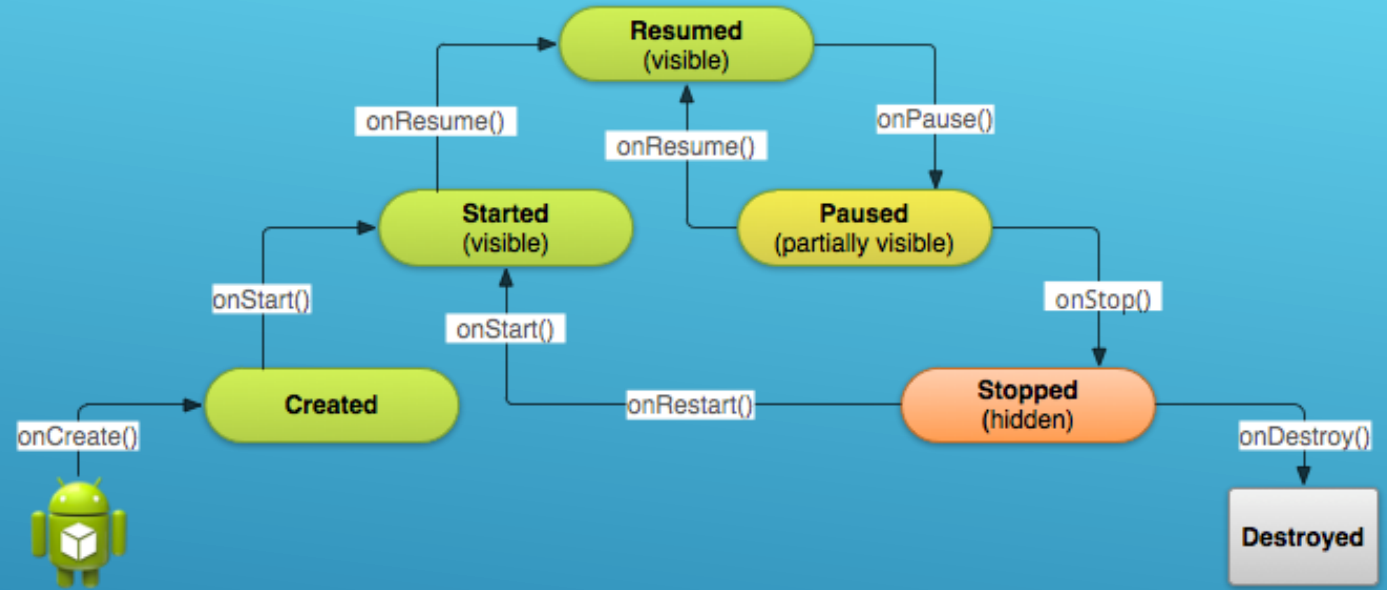


HOW TO ANDROID - ANDROIDMANIFEST

- ▶ Only one
- ▶ Also a "Context" (global information about an application environment)
- ▶ Bootstrap stuff in onCreate
- ▶ Memory management (onTrimMemory, onLowMemory)
- ▶ Example

APPLICATION

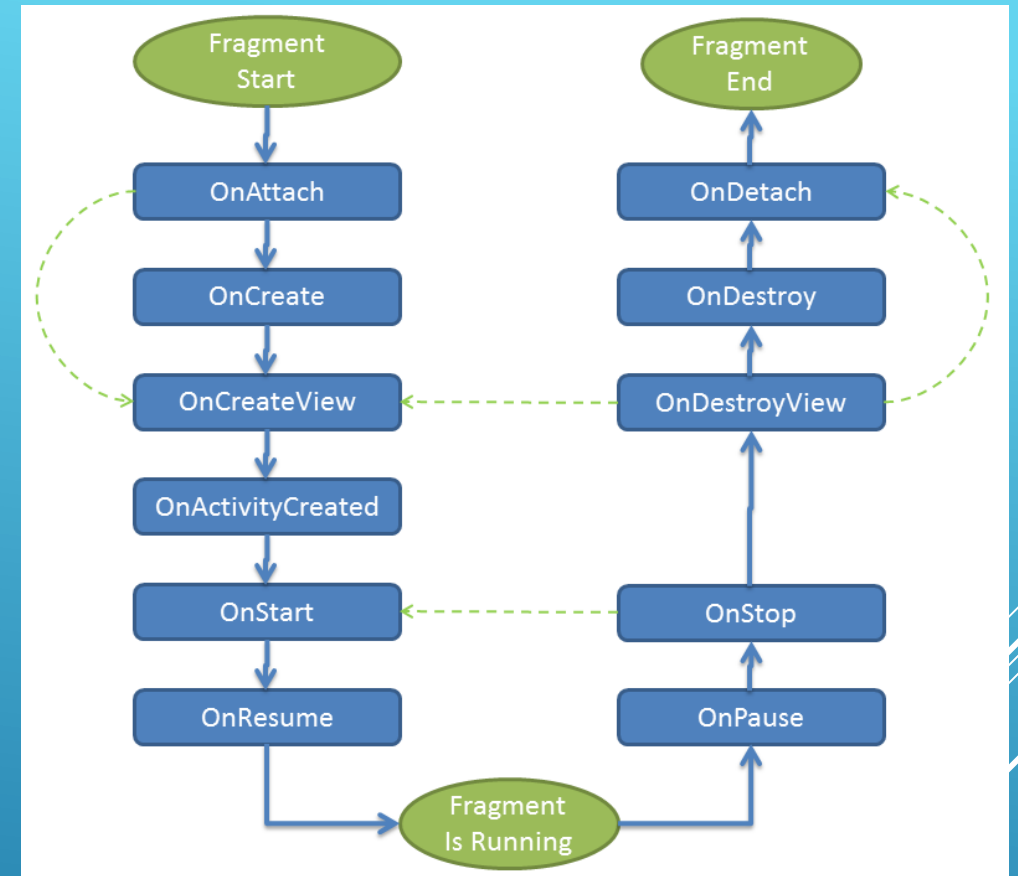
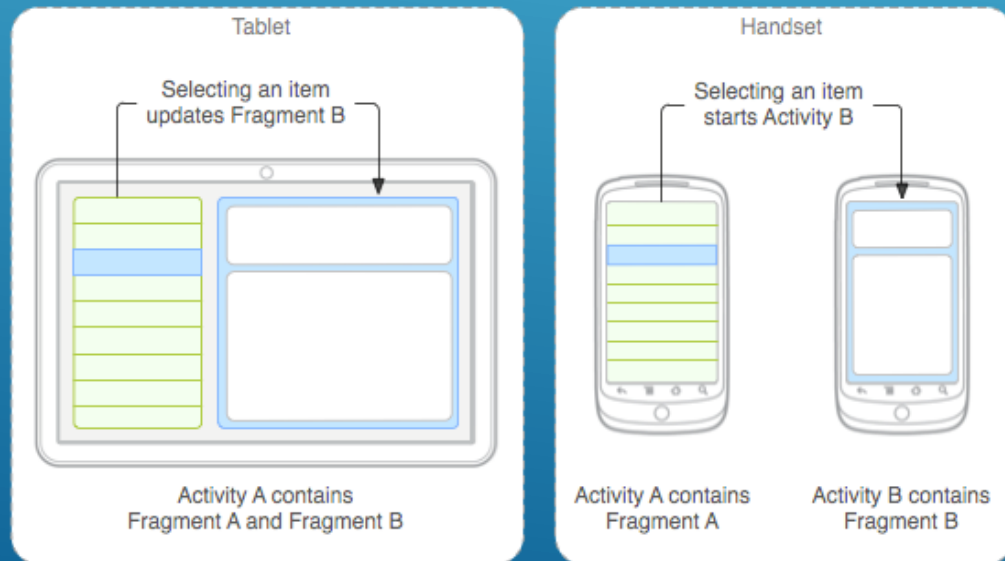
- ▶ Main Screen
- ▶ One displayed at a time
- ▶ Set the content using xml
- ▶ Handle user interactions



ACTIVITIES

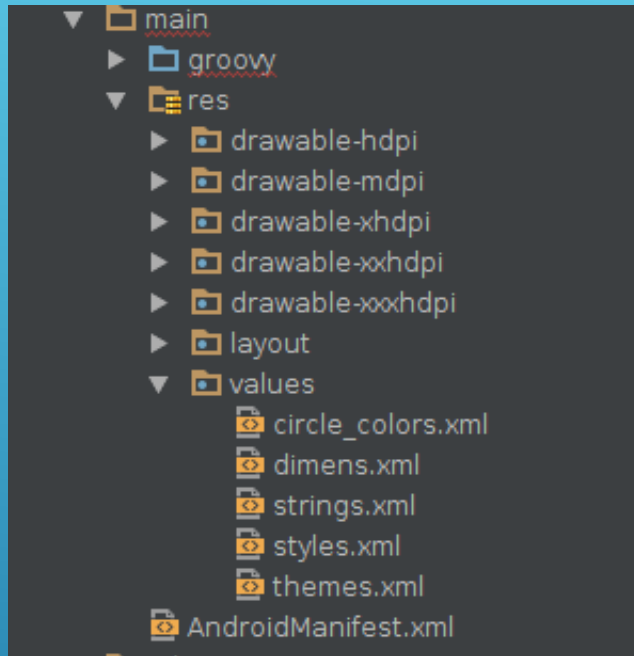
FRAGMENTS

- ▶ Like activities
- ▶ Reusable UI components



- ▶ Component that is drawn on the screen
- ▶ Many easy to use provided ones for you (TextView, ImageView, etc)
- ▶ Can create custom ones (with drawing or composition).

VIEWS



```
contentView = R.layout.activity_main  
SwipeRefreshLayout(this)
```

RESOURCES

- ▶ Slow (Use compile static)
- ▶ Dex Limit (use proguard)
- ▶ Android Plugin Updates a lot (breaks stuff)
- ▶ Groovy not fully supported by Android Studio

PITFALLS

- ▶ SwissKnife
- ▶ Android Spock
- ▶ Grooid Tools

ANDROID AWESOMENESS

- ▶ Based off ButterKnife, Android Annotations, and Android AutoParcel
- ▶ Great AST Transformations
- ▶ Awesome Extension Methods

SWISSKNIFE

- ▶ @SaveInstance
- ▶ @OnClick, @OnItemClick
- ▶ @OnBackground, @OnUIThread
- ▶ @Parcelable
- ▶ @StringRes, @AnontationRes

SWISSKNIFE - ANNOTATIONS


```
class MyActivity extends Activity {

    @StringRes(R.string.important_message)
    String reallyImportantMessage

    @Extra("api_key")
    String apiKey

    @SaveInstance
    public String myString;

    @OnClick(R.id.button)
    public void onClicked(Button button) {
        Toast.makeText(this, "Button clicked", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
    }

    @OnBackground
    public void doSomeProcessing(URL url) {
        // Contents will be executed on background
        ...
    }

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
        // This must be called for injection of views and callbacks to take place
        SwissKnife.inject(this);

        // This must be called for saved state restoring
        SwissKnife.restoreState(this, savedInstanceState);

        // This must be called for automatic parsing of intent extras
        SwissKnife.loadExtras(this)
    }
}
```



```
public final class Person implements Parcelable {
    private final int id
    private final String firstName
    private final String lastName

    public void writeToParcel(Parcel out, int flags) {
        out.writeInt(id);
        out.writeString(firstName);
        out.writeString(lastName);
    }

    public static final Parcelable.Creator<Person> CREATOR
    = new Parcelable.Creator<Person>() {
        public Person createFromParcel(Parcel in) {
            return new Person(in);
        }

        public Person[] newArray(int size) {
            return new Person[size];
        }
    };
};
```



```
@Parcelable
class Person {
    int id
    String firstName
    String lastName
}
```

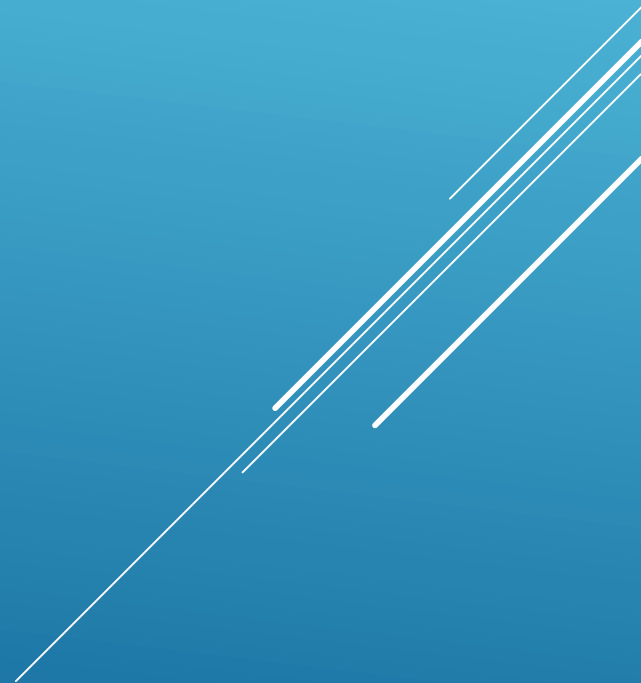
SPOCK ON ANDROID

- ▶ Extra classes for Android Specific Testing

```
@CompileStatic(TypeCheckingMode.SKIP)
protected View onCreateView() {
    new AndroidBuilder().build(this) {
        relativeLayout(width: MATCH_PARENT, height: MATCH_PARENT, padding: [dp(64), dp(16)]) {
            textView(width: MATCH_PARENT, height: dp(20), text: R.string.hello_world)
        }
    } as View
}
```

GROOID TOOLS

EXAMPLE





QUESTIONS?