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As per my knowledge, one noticable trend in the mobile app industry that was influencing the android platform was the rise of progressive web app. PWAs are web applications that offer app-like experiences directly through web browsers.

→ Impact on Android app developer:-

→ 1) Cross-platform compatibility:-

PWAs are designed to work seamlessly more engaging user experience

→ 2) Progressive Enhancement:-

Developers needed to adapt progressive ~~end~~ enhancement strategies to ensure that Android apps remained competitive by offering progressive and responsive user experience similar to PWAs.

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In Android development, an Inflater refer to the layout inflater, which plays a crucial role in creating a user interface from XML layout files

→ 1) XML layout files:-

In Android, UI components are often defined using XML layout files.

→ 2) Layout Inflation:-

When your Android app runs, It need to ~~load~~ transform XML layout files into actual view objects that can be displayed on the screen.



→ 3) Layout Inflation:

It is responsible for reading the layout files and instantiating the corresponding objects in memory.

→ 4) Dynamic UI Creation:

Layout inflation is particularly valuable when you need to create UI elements dynamically, for example, in response to user interaction.

→ 5) Binding Data:

Once the view objects are created, they can be further customized and data can be bound to them.

⑤ A custom Dialog Box in Android is a pop up window that developers can design and customize to display information, options or actions to the user. It's a versatile UI element for showing alerts, inputs, forms, confirmation dialogs, or any other custom interactions that doesn't fit the standard layout of an Activity.

Ex: When you need to provide a tailored user experience or other ~~data~~ specific input from the user without a new screen, like alerting, warning, asking for input or like gender, name, etc info. for Rating etc.



(4) In Android app development, Activities, services, & the android manifest file work together to create the structure & functionality of an app.

→ 1) Activities:-

Activities represent individual screens or user interfaces in an Android app.

Ex:- Imagine a simple email app with two activities: one for composing emails & another for viewing the inbox.

→ 2) Services:-

Services are background components that perform long-running operations without a user interface.

Ex:- In our email app example, a service could be used to periodically check for new emails in the background & update the inbox.

→ 3) Android manifest file

The Android manifest XML file is a configuration file that defines essential information about the app, its components, and required permissions.

Ex:- In the manifest file, you specify which activities & services the app contains, their properties, & any permission required, among other things.



5) The android manifest file is a critical component in android app development it serves several significant purposes that impact the development and functionality of an Android application.

Ex:-

1) Component Declaration :-

The Android manifest file is where you declare all the components of your android application, including activities, services, broadcast receivers and content providers.

→ <application...>

```
<activity android:name = ".main Activity">
```

```
<intent-filter>
```

```
<action android:name = "android.intent.action.MAIN"/>
```

```
<category android:name = "android.intent.category.LAUNCHER"/>
```

```
</intent-filter>
```

```
</activity>
```

```
<service android:name = ".MyService"/>
```

```
<receiver android:name = ".MyReceiver"/>
```

```
<Provider>
```

```
android:name = ".MyContentProvider"
```

```
android:authorities = "com.example.myapp.provider"/>
```

```
</application>
```

2) Application Configuration:-

→ <Application>

```
android:icon = "@drawable/app_icon"
```

```
android:label = "@string/app_name"
```

```
android:theme = "@style/appTheme"
```

```
android:allowBackup = "true"
```

```
android:versionCode = "1"
```

```
android:versionName = "1.0"
```





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Resources are the additional files & static content that your code uses, such as bitmaps layout definitions user interface string, animation instructions & more.

⇒ Resources types overview.

→ 1) Animation resources

Define pre-determined animations frame animations are saved in res/drawable/ and accessed from the R.drawable class.

→ 2) Color state list resource

Define a color resource that changes based on the view state. Saved in res/color/ and accessed from the R.color class.

→ 3) Drawable resources

Define various graphics with bitmaps or XML.

→ 4) layout resources

Define the layout for your application UI.

→ 5) Menu resources

Define the contents of your application menus.



→ 6) Style resources:- Define the look and format for UI element.

→ 7) font resources:- Define the families so include custom font in XML.

⑦ ⇒ 1) Background processing:-

Services allow apps to perform tasks in the background without blocking the user interface.

⇒ 2) long running operation:-

Services are ideal for lengthy operations that require more time to complete such as playing music.

⇒ 3) Inter Component Communication:-

Services enable components like activities broadcast receivers and other services to communicate with each other efficiently.

⇒ 4) Foreground Service:-

Android Services can run in the foreground, even when the app isn't in the foreground.

⇒ Process of Developing an android service:-

→ 1) Defines the service class:-

Create a new Java or Kotlin class that extends the 'Service' class.



→ 2) Configure Service in manifest:

Declare your service in the Android manifest .xml file to inform the android system about its exist. and configuration.

```
<service android:name=".MyService"/>
```

→ 3) Start or Bind the service:

Declare whether you want to start your service or bind it to other components.

→ 4) Implement service logic:

In service class, implement the specific logic your service need to perform its task.

→ 5) Handle lifecycle:

Release resource when they no longer needed and consider using 'stopSelf()' or 'stopService()'.

→ 6) Interact with other components:

use appropriate mechanism like intents broadcast or callback to facilitate communication.

→ 7) foreground services caption:

If your service needs to run in the foreground, 'startForeground'.

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