



# LOCATION AND MAPS

# Outline

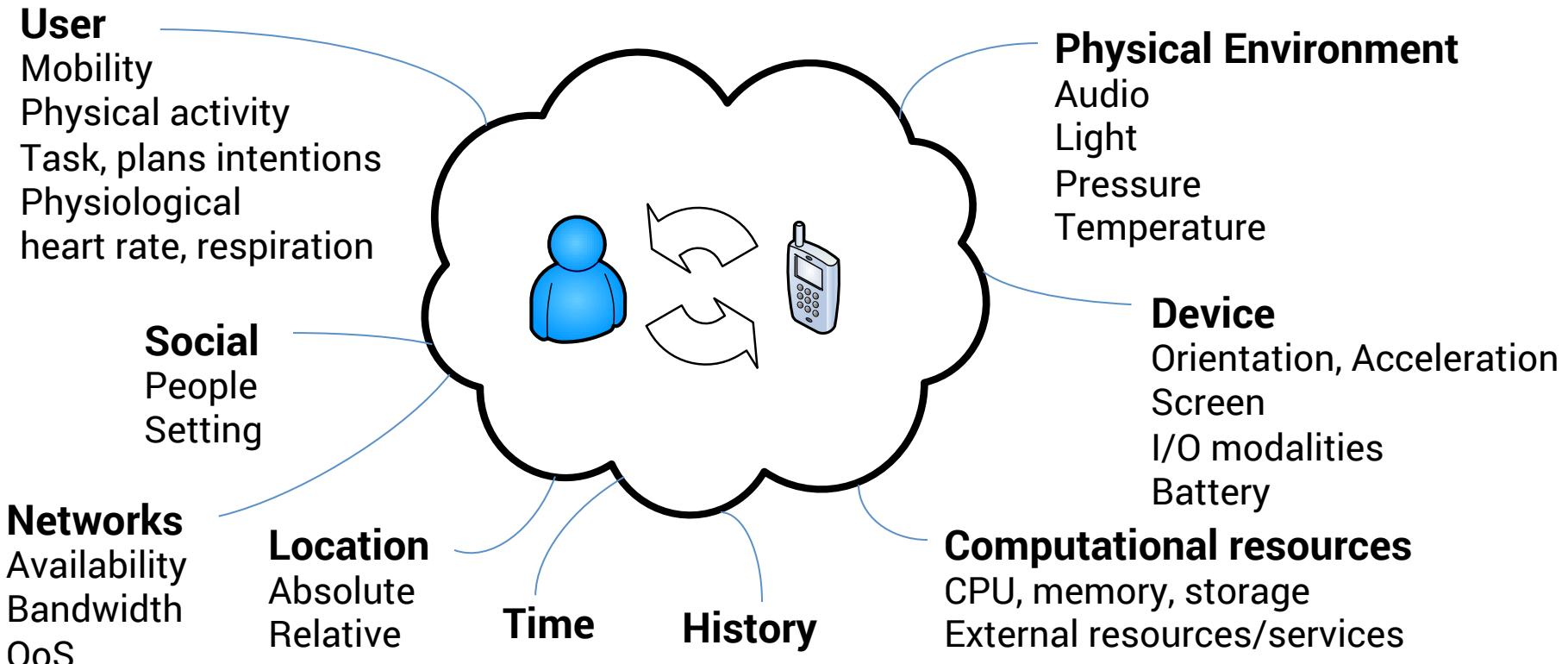
- Location & Location-Based Apps
- Location API (`android.location`)
- Fused Location Service
- Maps
- Geocoding and Geofencing
- Tools & Tricks



# LOCATION



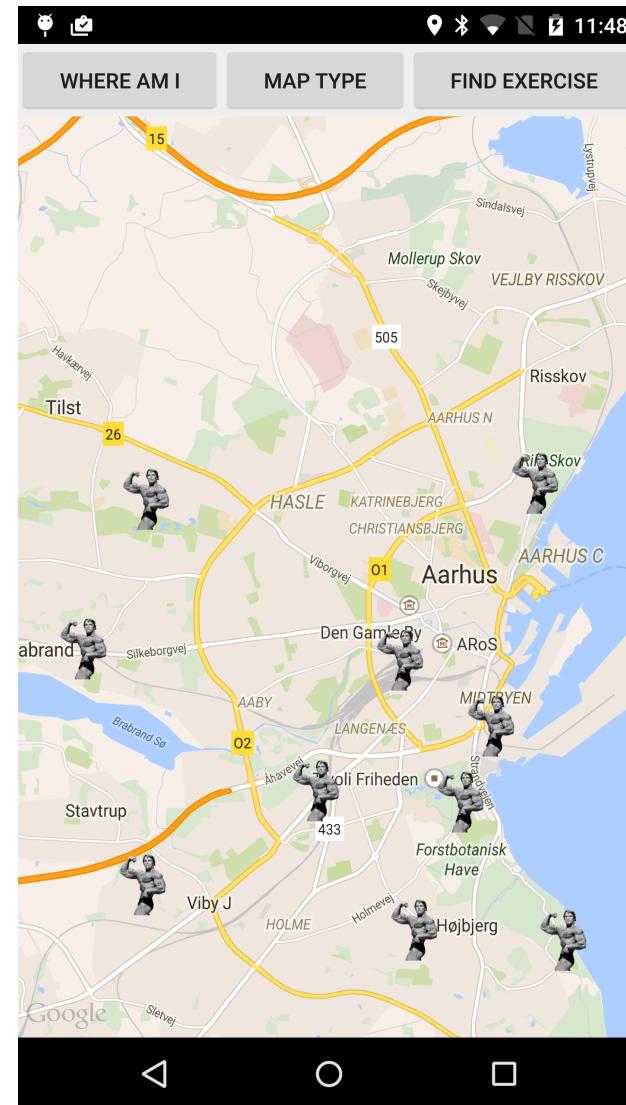
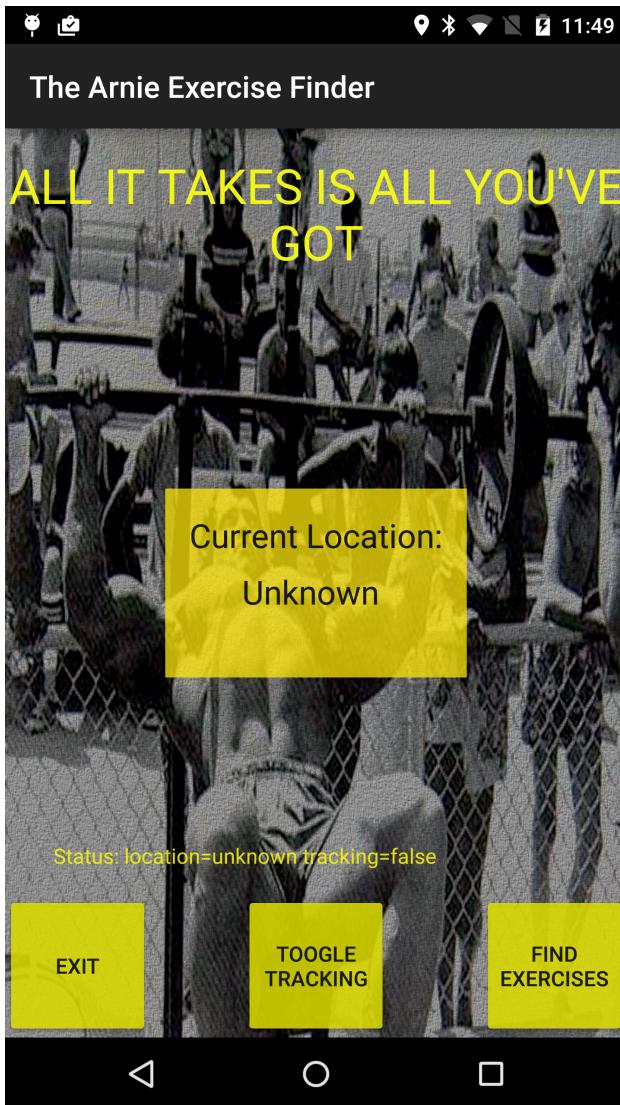
# Context-Awareness



# Location-Awareness

- Location Based Apps and Services





# Location Technologies

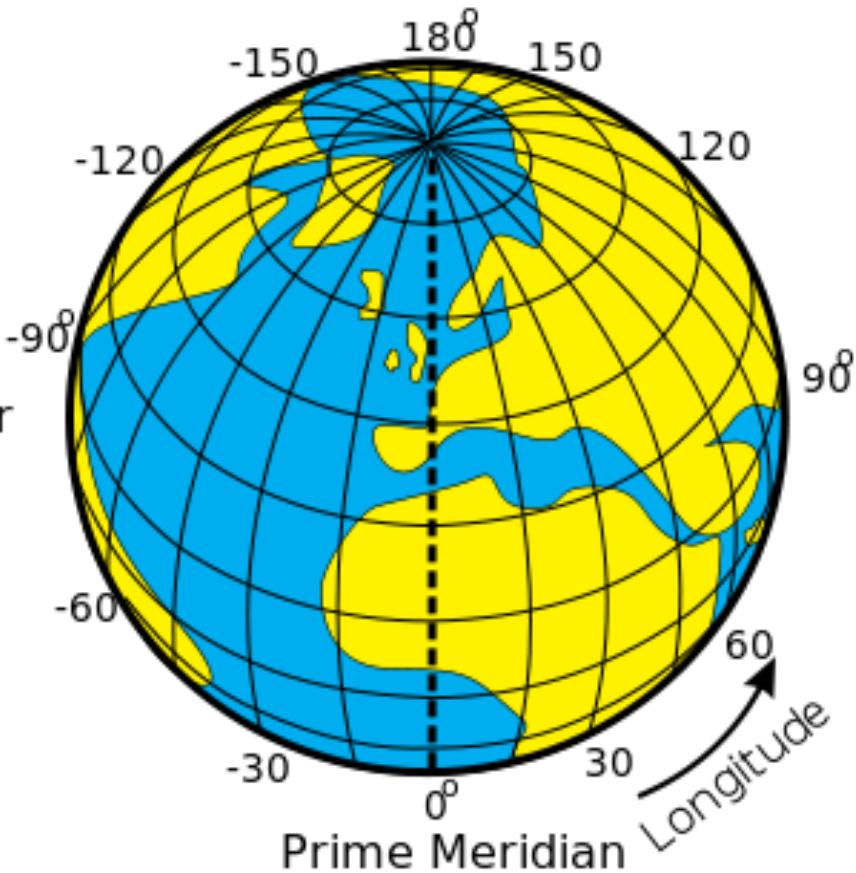
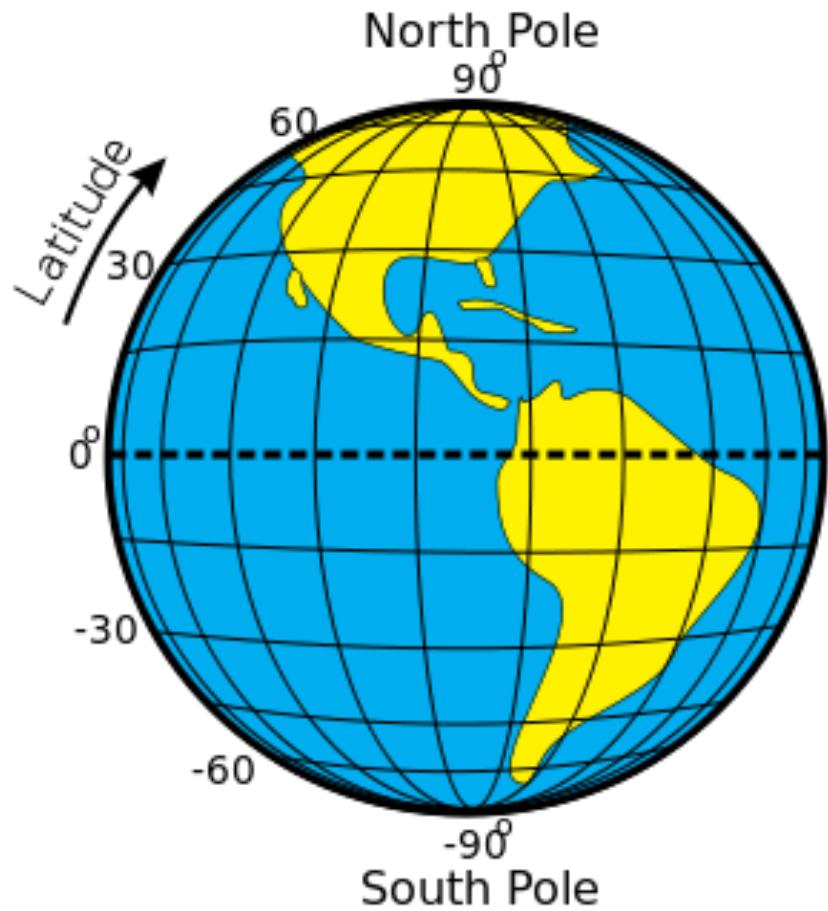
- GPS
- Wifi
- Cell towers
- Other
  - External sensors
  - Beacons
  - Computer vision
  - ...



<https://developer.android.com/google/play-services/location.html>



# Latitude and Longitude



Source: Wikipedia - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Latitude\\_and\\_Longitude\\_of\\_the\\_Earth.svg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Latitude_and_Longitude_of_the_Earth.svg)



# Using Location

- Where the user is now
  - Current/last known location
- Where is the user going
  - Tracking, Location change updates
- When the user goes somewhere specific
  - Proximity alert, geofencing



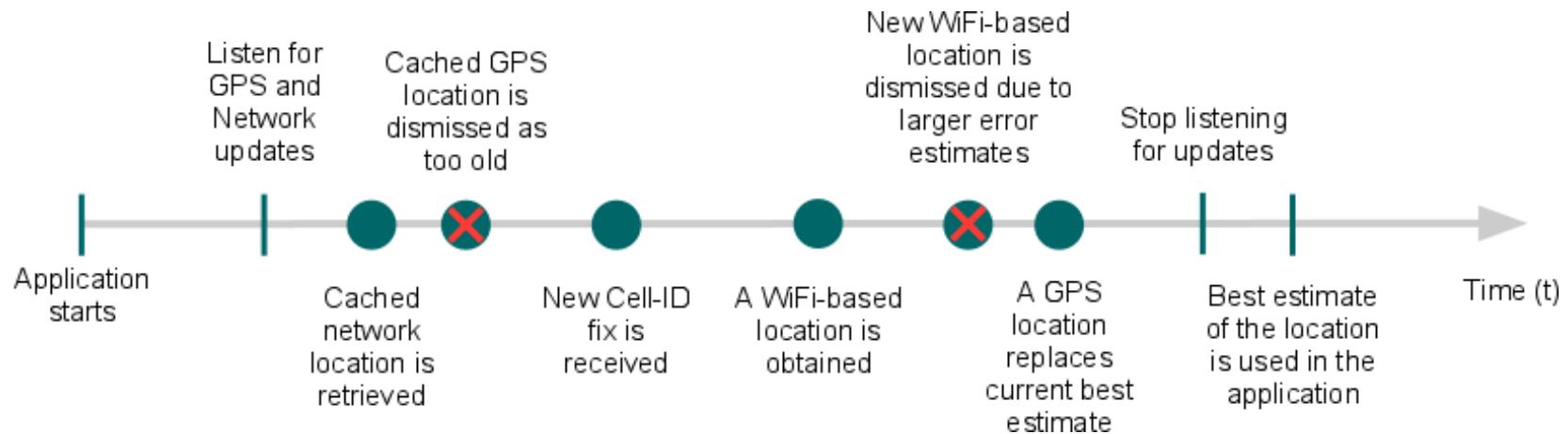
# Challenges of Location

- “Multitude of location sources
  - GPS, Cell-ID, and Wi-Fi can each provide a clue to users location. Determining which to use and trust is a matter of trade-offs in accuracy, speed, and battery-efficiency.
- User movement
  - Because the user location changes, you must account for movement by re-estimating user location every so often.
- Varying accuracy
  - Location estimates coming from each location source are not consistent in their accuracy. A location obtained 10 seconds ago from one source might be more accurate than the newest location from another or same source”

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/location/strategies.html>



# Location / Time



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# Costs and Tradeoffs

- Battery life
- Network usage (especially when roaming)
- Accuracy
- Speed



# Location-Aware Apps

- Two core ways of implementing
  - Location API (`android.location`)
  - Google Play services: Location APIs
- Many strategies
  - Should be tailored to the user experience of the app
  - Should be optimized (battery!)





# ANDROID.LOCATION



# Permissions

- Coarse:
  - *<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS\_COARSE\_LOCATION"/>*
- Fine:
  - *<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS\_FINE\_LOCATION"/>*



# Location Manager

- Get `LocationManager`
  - `getSystemService(Context.LOCATION_SERVICE)`
- Check for available location providers
  - `LocationManager.GPS_PROVIDER`
  - `LocationManager.NETWORK_PROVIDER`
- Set up with desired criteria
  - Frequency (minimum time between notifications)
  - Distance (minimum change in distance)
  - `Criteria`
- Register callback `LocationListener`
  - `requestLocationUpdates(...)`
  - `removeUpdates(...)`



# The LocationListener Interface

- Location Changes
  - `onLocationChanged(Location location)`
- Providers availability (by user)
  - `onProviderEnabled(String provider)`
  - `onProviderDisabled(String provider)`
- Status changes on providers
  - `onStatusChanged(String provider, int status, Bundle extras)`



# Location object

- Can have hold the following data
  - Latitude
  - Longitude
  - Altitude
  - Timestamp
  - Bearing
  - Speed
  - Provider



# Location in Action



# FUSED LOCATION PROVIDER

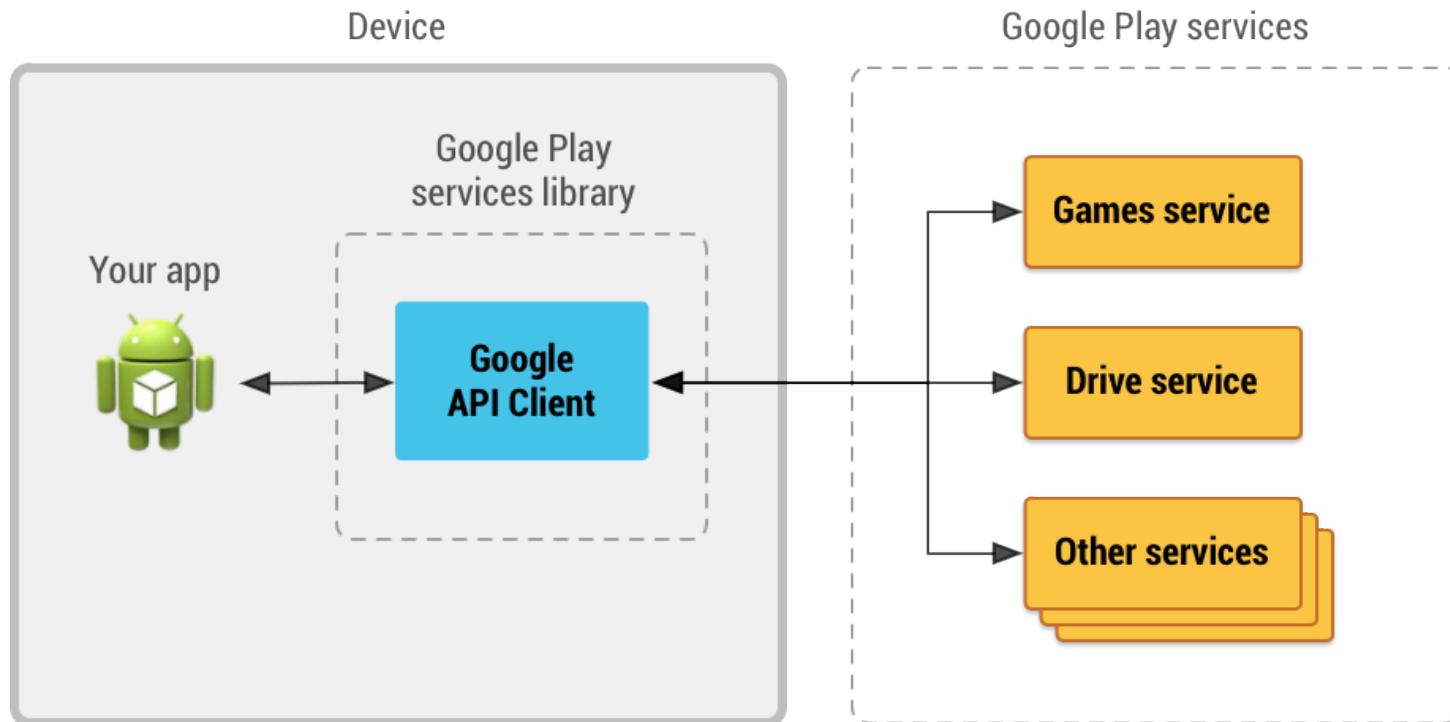


# Fused Location Provider

- Complete service available through Google Play services
- Google recommends using this
  - Handles a lot of the problems with handling different location providers
  - Optimize battery use



# Google API Client



<https://developer.android.com/google/auth/api-client.html>



# Getting Google API Client

```
GoogleApiClient client =  
new GoogleApiClient.Builder(context)  
    .addApi(LocationServices.API)  
    .addConnectionCallbacks(this)  
    .addOnConnectionFailedListener(this)  
    .build()
```

<https://developer.android.com/reference/com/google/android/gms/location/FusedLocationProviderApi.html>



# GoogleApiClient Callbacks

- Connect/disconnect for use
  - Call `connect()` in `onStart()`
  - Call `disconnect()` in `onStop()`
- Implement and handle callbacks
  - `GoogleApiClient.ConnectionCallbacks`
  - `GoogleApiClient.OnConnectionFailedListener`



# Fused Location Provider

- No active tracking
  - `getLastLocation(GoogleApiClient)`
- Tracking in foreground
  - `requestLocationUpdates(GoogleApiClient, LocationRequest, LocationListener)`
- Tracking in background
  - `requestLocationUpdates(GoogleApiClient, LocationRequest, LocationListener, PendingIntent)`



# The LocationRequest

- Used to specify criteria for location updates QoS (Quality of Service)
- Desired interval
  - `setInterval(...)`
- No faster than this interval
  - `setFastInterval(...)`
- Priority (affects battery)
  - `setPriority(...)`



# Priority levels and accuracy

## Constants

int	PRIORITY_BALANCED_POWER_ACCURACY	Used with <code>setPriority(int)</code> to request "block" level accuracy.
int	PRIORITY_HIGH_ACCURACY	Used with <code>setPriority(int)</code> to request the most accurate locations available.
int	PRIORITY_LOW_POWER	Used with <code>setPriority(int)</code> to request "city" level accuracy.
int	PRIORITY_NO_POWER	Used with <code>setPriority(int)</code> to request the best accuracy possible with zero additional power consumption.

<https://developer.android.com/reference/com/google/android/gms/location/LocationRequest.html>



# LocationListener Interface

- Similar to `android.location`, this is where you get notifications of location changes
- Implement callback to act on changes
  - `onLocationChanged(Location location)`





# MAPS



# Setting it up

- Need Google Play services
- Google developer account

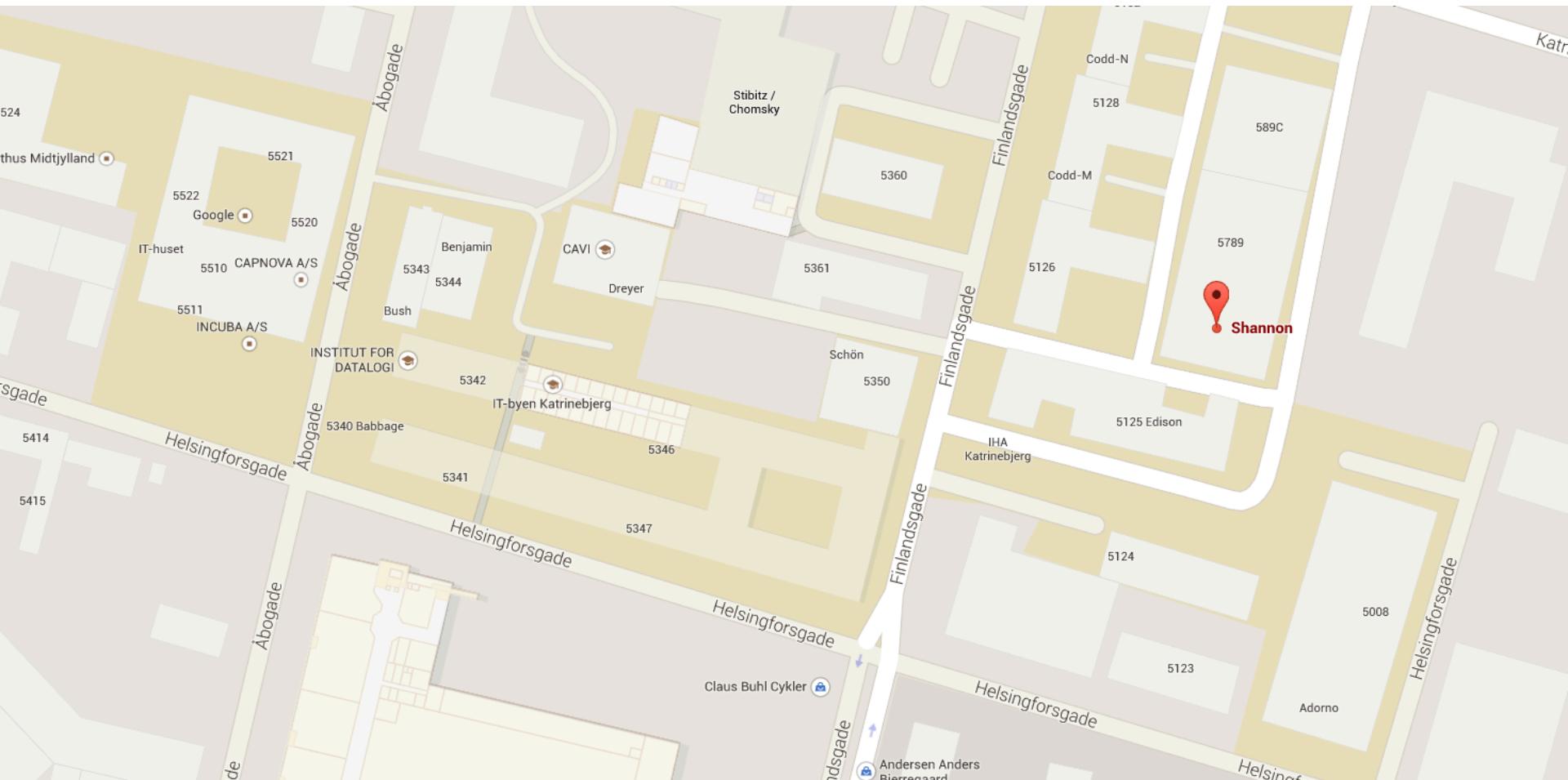


# Map Strategies

- Dynamic
  - Generates maps as needed
  - Requires internet for downloading
- Static
  - Has e.g. vector graphics maps stored on the device
  - Uses pictures (“fixed” tiles)
- Hybrid
  - Using best available
  - Caching maps



# Google Maps





# GOOGLE PLAY SERVICES & GOOGLE APIs



# Google APIs

- Need Google Developer Account
  - Create online
  - Need unique authentication
    - Your SHA1 key used for signing apps
    - Application package name
    - Your API key
  - Define in manifest



# Manifest for Maps

- Permissions

```
<uses-permission  
    android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />  
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE" />  
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE" />  
<uses-permission  
    android:name="com.google.android.providers.gsf.permission.READ_GSERVICES" />
```

- Meta-data

```
<meta-data  
        android:name="com.google.android.gms.version"  
        android:value="@integer/google_play_services_version" />  
<meta-data  
        android:name="com.google.android.maps.v2.API_KEY"  
        android:value="@string/google_maps_key" />
```



# Creating Google Dev Account

- Create and setup at
  - <https://console.developers.google.com>



# Google APIs in Action





# USING GOOGLE MAPS



# MapFragment

Define gms.maps.SupportMapFragment in your layout XML

```
<fragment  
    android:layout_width="match_parent"  
    android:layout_height="match_parent"  
    android:id="@+id/map"  
    android:name="com.google.android.gms.maps  
        .SupportMapFragment"  
/>
```



# The GoogleMap

- Use Fragment to get **GoogleMap** instance

```
GoogleMap mMap =  
    ((SupportMapFragment)  
     getSupportFragmentManager()  
     .findFragmentById(R.id.map))  
     .getMap()
```

- **GoogleMap** object used for manipulating the map view behavior and content



# Change Camera/View

- moveCamera(...)
- Use CameraUpdateFactory
  - newLatLng(...)
  - newLatLngBounds(...)
  - newLatLngZoom(...)
  - zoomIn(...)
  - zoomOut(...)
  - newCameraPosition(...)
  - ...



# Change MapType

- Dynamically change the type of map shown
  - Normal
  - Satellite
  - Hybrid
  - Terrain



# Create Custom Markers

- `addMarker(...)`
- Use `MarkerOptions` to set:
  - Position
  - Title
  - Snippet
  - Icon
  - Alpha
  - Rotation
  - Anchor
  - Flat
  - Draggable



# Overlays and Drawing

- Overlays
  - GroundOverlay
  - TileOverlay
- Drawing
  - Polygons
  - Poly lines



# Custom Behavior

- Override callbacks for interactions with map view in fragment
  - OnMapClickListener
  - OnMarkerClickListener
  - OnMarkerDragListener
  - ...





# GEOCODING AND GEOFENCING



# Geocoding

- Translates between GPS coordinates and street addresses
  - Reverse:  
(latitude, longitude) -> Address
  - Forward:  
Address -> (latitude, longitude)
- Requires internet connection
  - A blocking call, so do in separate thread!



# Reverse Geocoding

- `Geocoder.getFromLocation(lat, long, max results)`
  - Returns list of Address objects.
  - Different level of details depending on lookup result, e.g. country, street, number, ...
  - Null if none found



# Forward Geocoding

- `Geocoder.getFromLocationName(addressString, max results)`
  - Returns results as list of Address objects (including GPS coordinates) if found
  - Search can be limited to a certain rectangular area for map based applications



# Proximity Alerts

- Do “something” when user is enters or leaves from within a certain distance of a certain location
  - Centerpoint (GPS) + radius (meters) = circle
  - Using **PendingIntent** to define what should happen
  - Use:  
`LocationManager.addProximityAlert(  
 lat, long, radius, expiration  
 time, yourPendingIntent)`





# TOOLS & TRICKS



# Using the Emulator

- Faking location for test
  - Set location
  - Use gpx traces
  - Use KML
- Using maps
  - Get Google Play Services apk and Google Play Store apk (e.g APKMirror.com)
  - Install on emulator using adb



# Maps in Action



# EXERCISES

