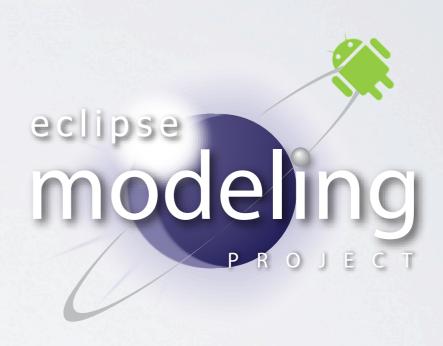


## INSTALLATION



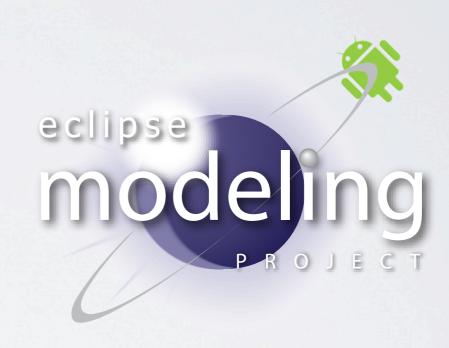
- · Get a grip on one of the USB sticks.
- Install the Eclipse SDK and the Android SDK matching your platform from the memory stick.
- Start Eclipse and set the location of the Android SDK in Preferences > Android
- Import the tutorial.zip into your workspace using File > Import > Existing Projects into Workspace > Archive File

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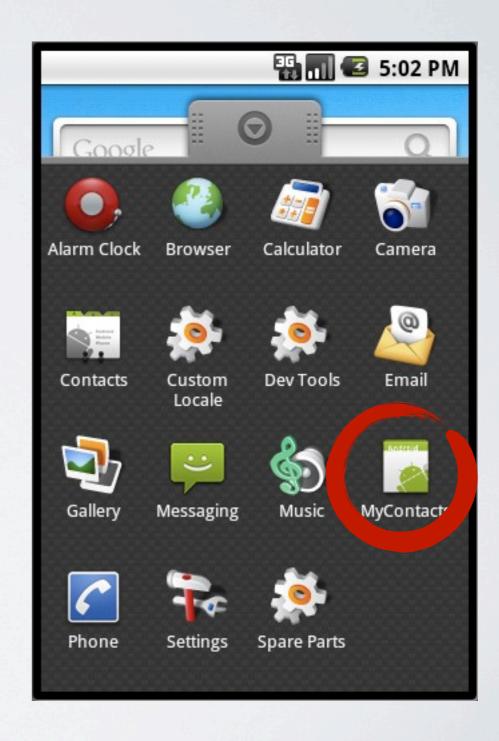


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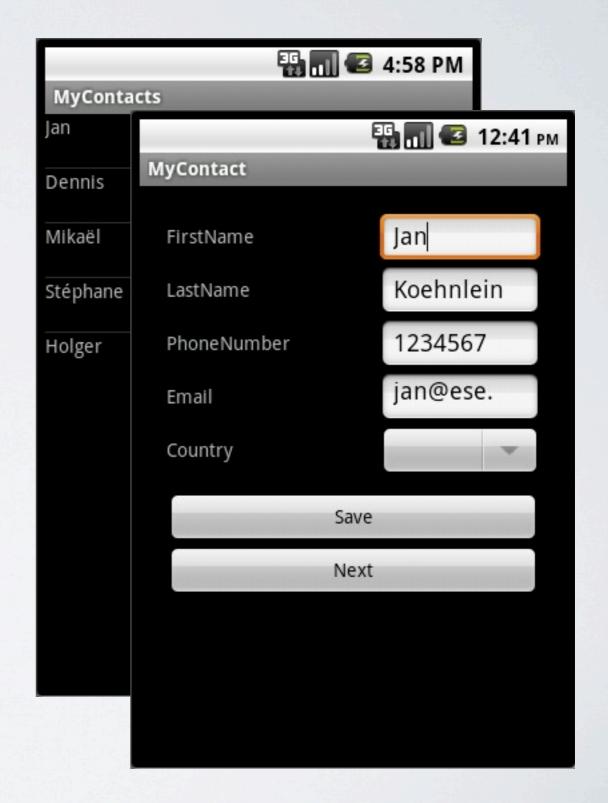
#### APPLICATION

- Has a name
- Declared in AndroidManifest.xml
- Defines Activities
  - One default Activity



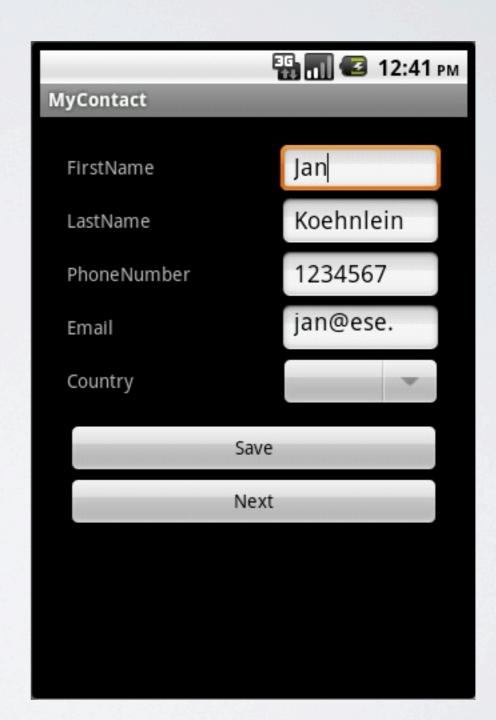
## ACTIVITY

- One page of an App
- Java class extends android.app.Activity
- Entry in AndroidManifest.xml
- Layout in separate XML file



### WIDGETS

- Member in activity class
- Layout in XML
- Refer to DB entry



Text

Spinner Button Link

## PROBLEM

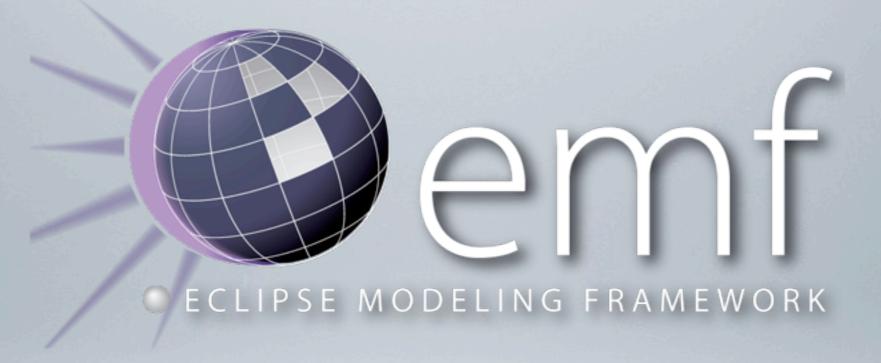
- Concepts span across XML as well as Java code
- No common abstraction mechanism



## SOLUTION

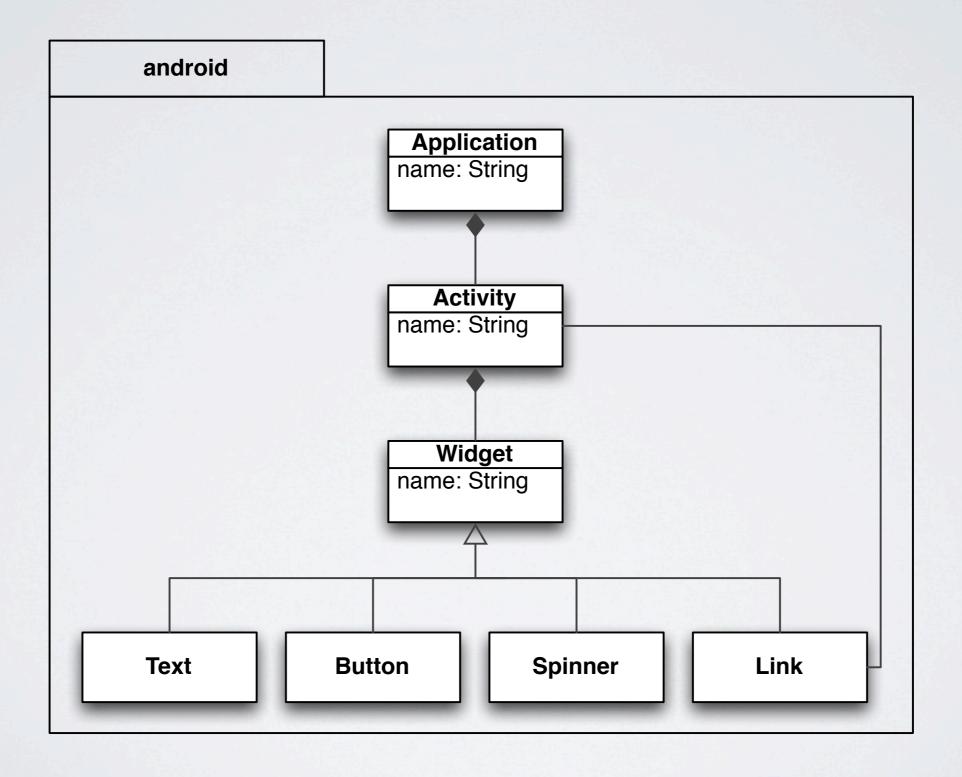
- Define concepts in an Ecore model
- Use Xtext to create an editor for model instances
- Use Acceleo to generate code from model instances





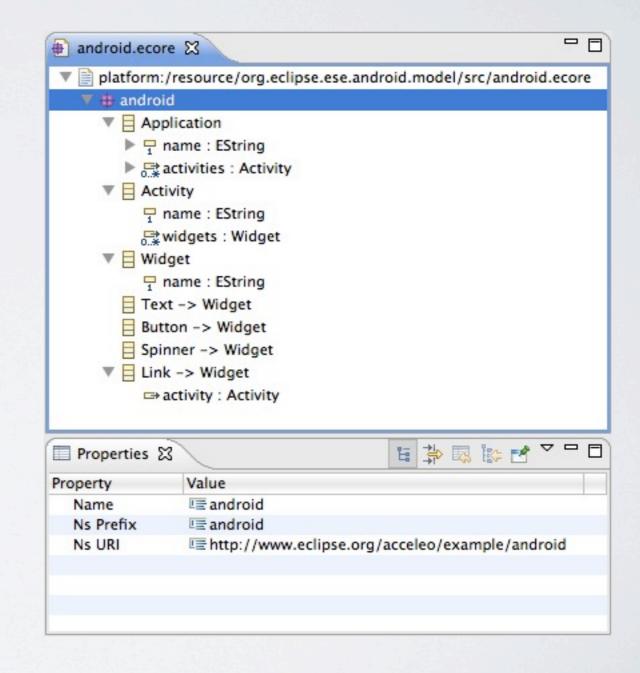
THE MODEL

## THE MODEL



## ECORE CONCEPTS

- EPackage
- EClass
- EAttribute
- EReference
  - (non-)containment
  - upper bound



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TEXTUAL MODELING

## REFERENCE MODEL

```
Application MyContacts
Activity MyContact {
  Text firstName
  Text lastName
  Link phoneNumbers -> PhoneNumber
  Spinner country
  Button save
Activity PhoneNumber {
  Text prefix
  Text number
  Button save
```

#### LABELS

```
public class AndroidLabelProvider
  extends DefaultEObjectLabelProvider {
  public Object image(Application app) {
    return "Application.gif";
  }
  public Object text(Application app) {
    return "<<" + app.getName() + ">>";
  }
}
```

#### VALIDATION

## QUICK FIX

```
@Fix(AndroidJavaValidator.CAPITALIZE)
public void capitalizeName(final Issue issue,
                           IssueResolutionAcceptor acceptor) {
   acceptor.accept(issue,
      "Capitalize name", "Capitalize the name.", "upcase.gif",
      new ISemanticModification() {
         public void apply(E0bject o, IModificationContext c) {
            Application application = (Application) o;
            String name = application.getName();
            application.setName(name.substring(0,1).toUpperCase()
                  + name.substring(1));
   });
```

## WHERE TO GO NEXT...

- Add Template Proposals
- Define Scopes
- Implement a Formatter
- Highlight Cross-References

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