

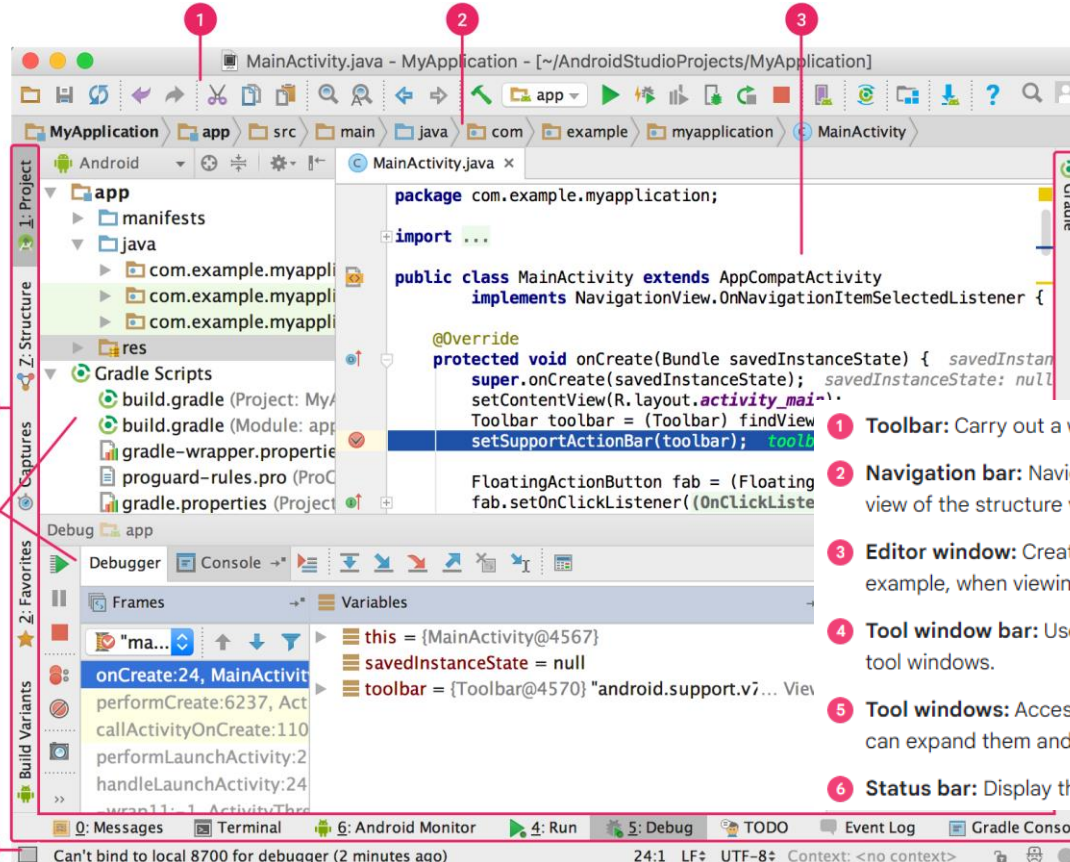


Mobile Application Development

Introduction of Android Studio



Anatomy of Android Application



- 1 Toolbar:** Carry out a wide range of actions, including running your app and launching Android tools.
- 2 Navigation bar:** Navigate through your project and open files for editing. It provides a more compact view of the structure visible in the **Project** window.
- 3 Editor window:** Create and modify code. Depending on the current file type, the editor can change. For example, when viewing a layout file, the editor displays the Layout Editor.
- 4 Tool window bar:** Use the buttons on the outside of the IDE window to expand or collapse individual tool windows.
- 5 Tool windows:** Access specific tasks like project management, search, version control, and more. You can expand them and collapse them.
- 6 Status bar:** Display the status of your project and the IDE itself, as well as any warnings or messages.



Code completion

Android Studio has three types of code completion, which you can access using keyboard shortcuts.

Table 2. Keyboard shortcuts for code completion

Type	Description	Windows and Linux	macOS
Basic Completion	Displays basic suggestions for variables, types, methods, expressions, and so on. If you call basic completion twice in a row, you see more results, including private members and non-imported static members.	Control+Space	Control+Space
Smart Completion	Displays relevant options based on the context. Smart completion is aware of the expected type and data flows. If you call Smart Completion twice in a row, you see more results, including chains.	Control+Shift+Space	Control+Shift+Space
Statement Completion	Completes the current statement for you, adding missing parentheses, brackets, braces, formatting, and so on.	Control+Shift+Enter	Command+Shift+Enter

Developer workflow

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- For more information, refer:

<https://developer.android.com/studio/projects>

Setup

Set up your
environment

Create a
Project

Write

Write code

Add assets

Build & Run

Connect to a
device or emulator

Customize your build

Iterate

Debug

Profile

Test

Publish

Version

Sign

Android Gradle plugin (AGP)

- The Android Studio build system is based on Gradle
- The Android Gradle plugin adds several features that are specific to build Android apps.
- Although the Android Gradle plugin (AGP) is typically updated in lock-step with Android Studio
- The plugin (and the rest of the Gradle system) can run independent of Android Studio and be updated separately.
- For more information, refer:
<https://developer.android.com/build/releases/gradle-plugin>



Gradle Version

- The following table lists which version of Gradle is required for each version of the Android Gradle plugin
- For the best performance, you should use the latest possible version of both Gradle and the plugin.

Plugin version	Minimum required Gradle version
8.5	8.7
8.4	8.6
8.3	8.4
8.2	8.2
8.1	8.0
8.0	8.0
7.4	7.5

Android Gradle plugin and Android Studio compatibility

- The Android Studio build system is based on Gradle, and the Android Gradle plugin (AGP) adds several features that are specific to building Android apps.
- The following table lists which version of AGP is required for each version of Android Studio.

Android Studio version	Required AGP version
Koala 2024.1.1	3.2-8.5
Jellyfish 2023.3.1	3.2-8.4
Iguana 2023.2.1	3.2-8.3
Hedgehog 2023.1.1	3.2-8.2
Giraffe 2022.3.1	3.2-8.1
Flamingo 2022.2.1	3.2-8.0

Minimum versions of tools for Android API level

- There are minimum versions of Android Studio
- AGP that support a specific API level.
- Using lower versions of Android Studio or AGP than required by your project's **targetSdk** or **compileSdk** could lead to unexpected issues.
- It is recommend using the latest preview version of Android Studio and AGP to work on projects that target preview versions of the Android OS.

API level	Minimum Android Studio version	Minimum AGP version
VanillaIceCream preview	Jellyfish 2023.3.1	8.4
34	Hedgehog 2023.1.1	8.1.1
33	Flamingo 2022.2.1	7.2



Build configuration files

- Creating custom build configurations requires you to make changes to one or more build configuration files.
- These plain-text files use Domain Specific Language (DSL) to describe and manipulate the build logic using Kotlin script, which is a flavor of the Kotlin language.
- You can also use Groovy, which is a dynamic language for the Java Virtual Machine (JVM), to configure your builds.
- When starting a new project, Android Studio automatically creates some of these files for you and populates them based on sensible defaults. The project file structure has the following layout:



Build configuration files

- For more information, refer:
<https://developer.android.com/build>

```
└─ MyApp/ # Project
   │
   │ └─ gradle/
   │    │
   │    │ └─ wrapper/
   │    │    │
   │    │    │ └─ gradle-wrapper.properties
   │    │
   │    └─ build.gradle(.kts)
   │
   │ └─ settings.gradle(.kts)
   │
   └─ app/ # Module
      │
      │ └─ build.gradle(.kts)
      │
      │ └─ build/
      │
      │ └─ libs/
      │
      └─ src/
         │
         │ └─ main/ # Source set
         │    │
         │    │ └─ java/
         │    │    │
         │    │    │ └─ com.example.myapp
         │    │
         │    │ └─ res/
         │    │    │
         │    │    │ └─ drawable/
         │    │    │
         │    │    │ └─ values/
         │    │    │
         │    │    │ └─ ...
         │    │
         │    └─ AndroidManifest.xml
```



Android SDK

