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TransactionTooLargeException

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Inter-Process Communication (IPC)

- Mechanisms that OS provides to allow processes to share(transfer) data.
 - Underlying system
 - Deep Dive into Android IPC/Binder Framework (http://bit.ly/2dsFzal)
 - Key classes built upon IPC framework in Android
 - Parcelables (Intent, Bundle, Bitmap, etc...) and Binder
 - System Services (PackageManager, ActivityManager, etc...)

Example of IPC

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public class MainActivity extends Activity {
  @Override
  protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
     super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
     setContentView(R.layout.activity main);
     View button = findViewById(R.id.button);
     button.setOnClickListener(v -> {
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- A process is allowed to use 1Mb memory space (for buffer) for IPC
 - NEVER transfer a large data (e.g. Bitmap) across processes through IPC.
 - Otherwise you will see TransactionTooLargeException.
 - Also be aware NOT to make too many transactions at the same time
 - When the sum of all individual data exceeds 1Mb, you will see
 TransactionTooLargeException.

How to avoid

- 3 ways to avoid TransactionTooLargeException
 - Split a huge data into small pieces
 - e.g. PackageManager defines flags to control data size
 - Use Uri to share a huge data
 - cf. Intent#setData()
 - Cache the data to reduce the number of IPC

Similar exceptions

- CursorWindowAllocationException
 - The app opens too many cursors, or allocate too many data in a cursor.



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