Mobile Application Development

(Android + IDE + First Application)

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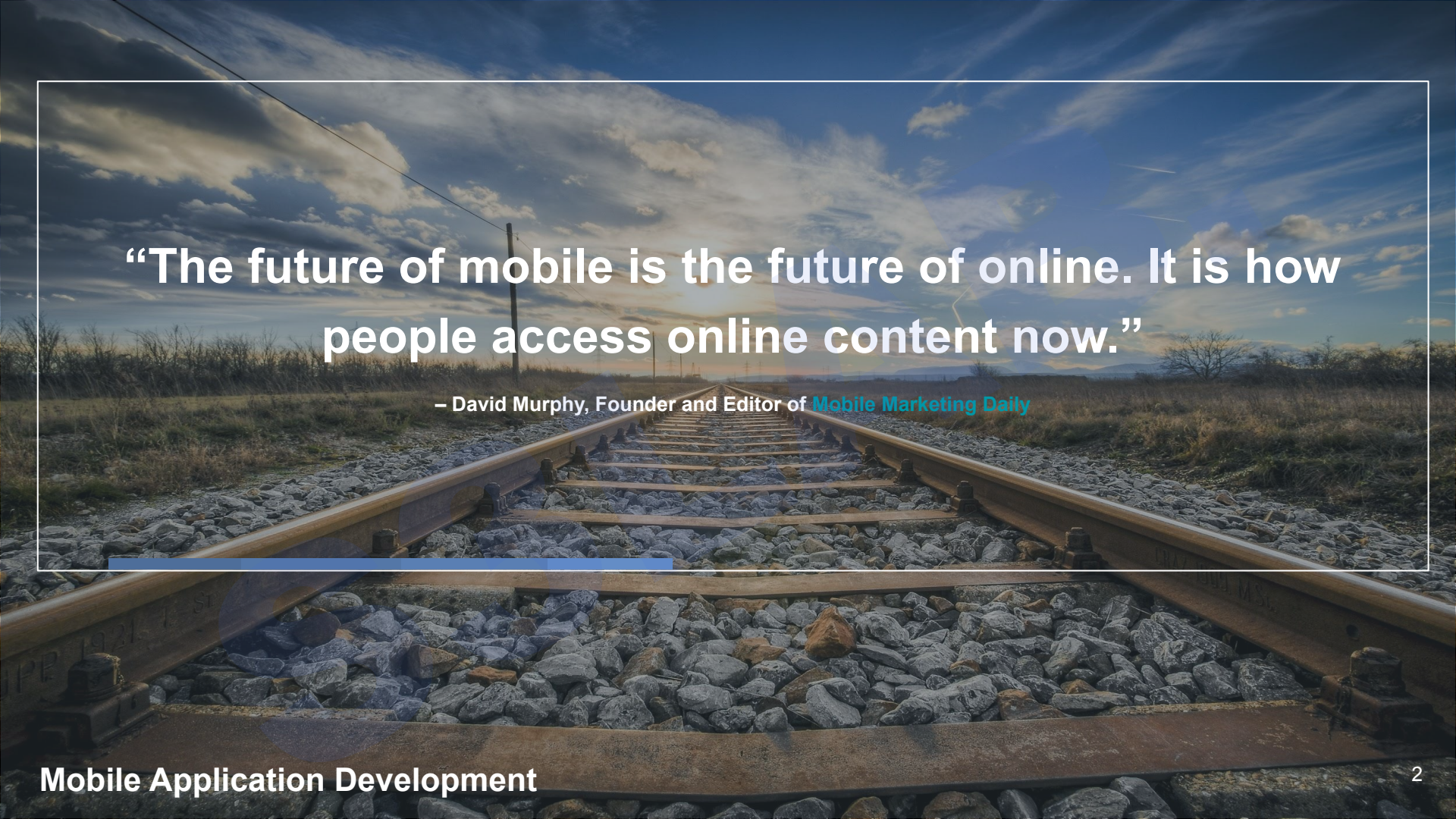
“The future of mobile is the future of online. It is how people access online content now.”
– David Murphy, Founder and Editor of Mobile Marketing Daily

About Android

Overview

- A **Software Platform** and **OS** for **mobile**, **embedded** and **wearable** devices
- Based on the **Linux kernel** (2.6 kernel)
- **Google** is the **principle maintainer**
- Other companies contribute to the system.
- Allow writing **managed code** in the **java** language
- Each device manufacturer can **customize Android** to suit their needs
- An **Open Source** Project
- **Open Handset Alliance** Project

About Android

Who develop Android?

- Initially developed by **Andrew** (Andy) **Rubin** and his team in **Android Inc.**
- Google acquired Android Inc. in 2005.
- Till Mac 2013, developed by Google under Andy Rubin (Senior Vice President of Mobile)

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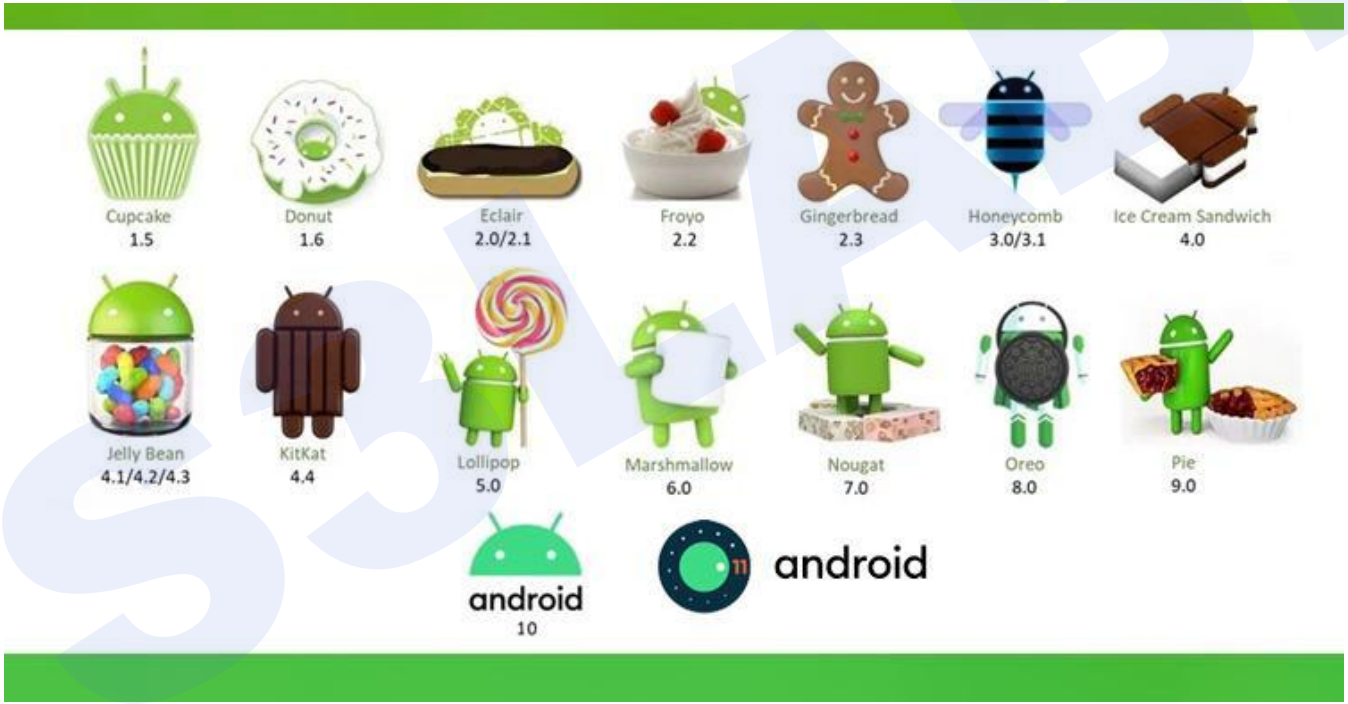
From the past to ...



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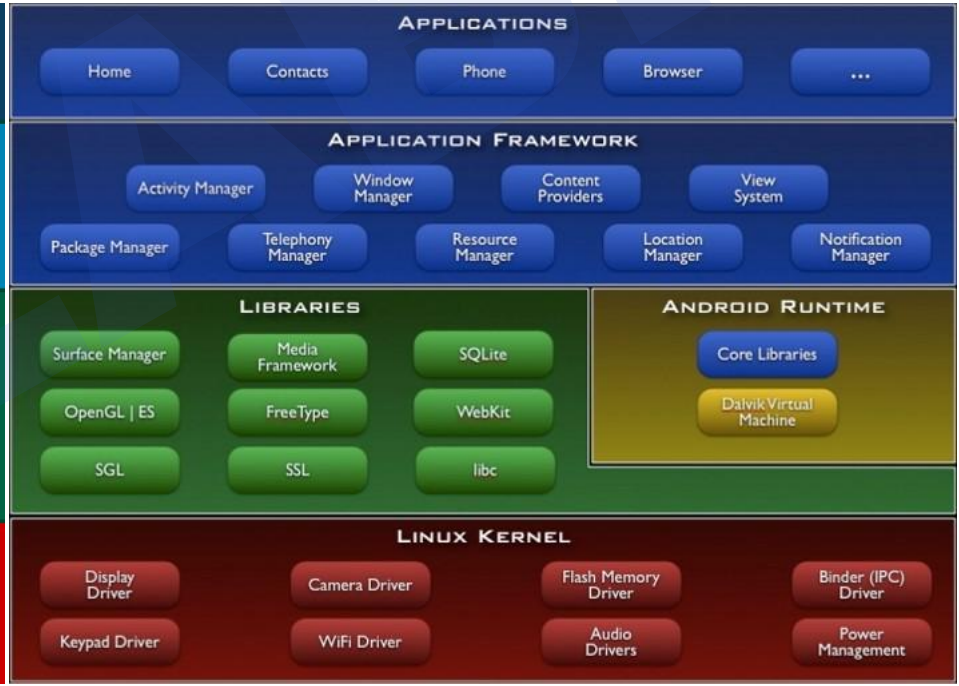
Architecture

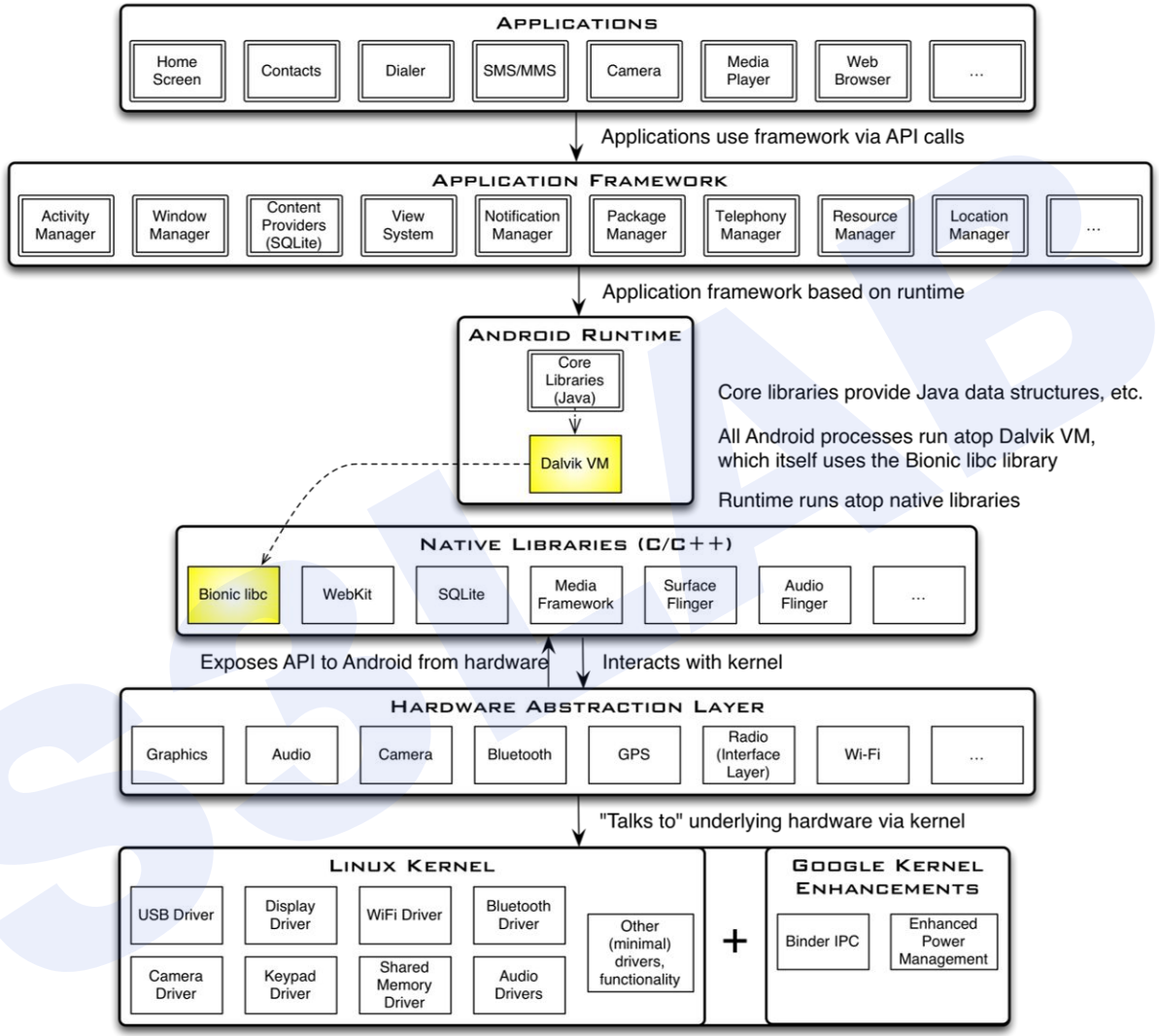
User applications
Use Java framework and, optionally, native code.

Android framework
Java classes under com.android

Native framework layer
User mode C, C++ code – compiled to native platform or 32bit compatibility mode on 64 bits.

Linux Kernel (GPL license)
C code – compiled to native platform (x86, arm, mips)




APPLICATIONS
Home Screen
Contacts
Dialer
SMS/MMS
Camera
Media Player
Web Browser
...
Applications use framework via API calls
APPLICATION FRAMEWORK
Activity Manager
Window Manager
Content Providers (SQLite)
View System
Notification Manager
Package Manager
Telephony Manager
Resource Manager
Location Manager
...
Application framework based on runtime
ANDROID RUNTIME
Core Libraries (Java)
Dalvik VM
Core libraries provide Java data structures, etc.
All Android processes run atop Dalvik VM, which itself uses the Bionic libc library
Runtime runs atop native libraries
NATIVE LIBRARIES (C/C++)
Bionic libc
WebKit
SQLite
Media Framework
Surface Flinger
Audio Flinger
...
Exposes API to Android from hardware
Interacts with kernel
HARDWARE ABSTRACTION LAYER
Graphics
Audio
Camera
Bluetooth
GPS
Radio (Interface Layer)
Wi-Fi
...
"Talks to" underlying hardware via kernel
LINUX KERNEL
USB Driver
Display Driver
WiFi Driver
Bluetooth Driver
Camera Driver
Keypad Driver
Shared Memory Driver
Audio Drivers
Other (minimal) drivers, functionality
+
GOOGLE KERNEL ENHANCEMENTS
Binder IPC
Enhanced Power Management

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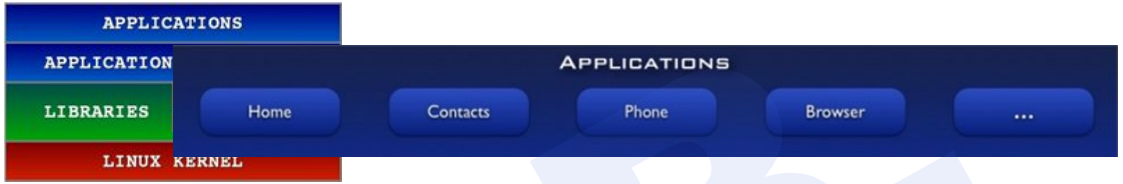
Architecture - Application



- Android provides a set of core applications:
  - Email Client
  - SMS Program
  - Calendar
  - Maps
  - Browser
  - Contacts
  - Etc
- All applications are written using the Java language

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Architecture - Application Framework

- Most of the application framework accesses these core libraries through the Dalvik VM, the gateway to the Android Platform

Feature	Role
View System	Used to build an application, including lists, grids, text boxes, buttons, and embedded web browser
Content Provider	Enabling applications to access data from other applications or to share their own data
Resource Manager	Providing access to non-code resources (localized string , graphics, and layout files)
Notification Manager	Enabling all applications to display customer alerts in the status bar
Activity Manager	Managing the lifecycle of applications and providing a common navigation backstack

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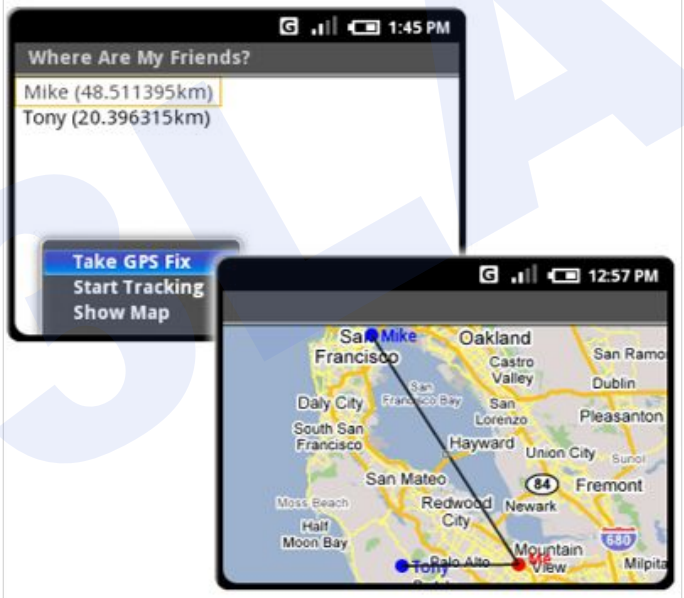
Architecture - Application Framework

- Location Manager



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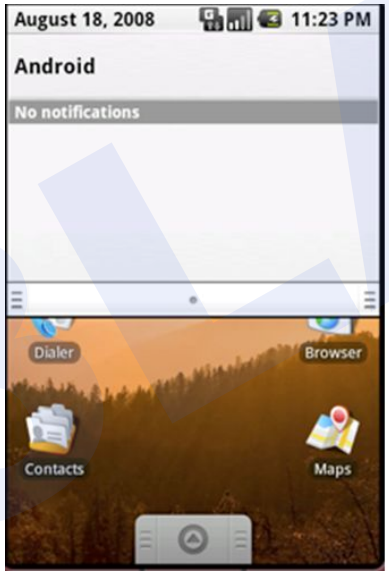
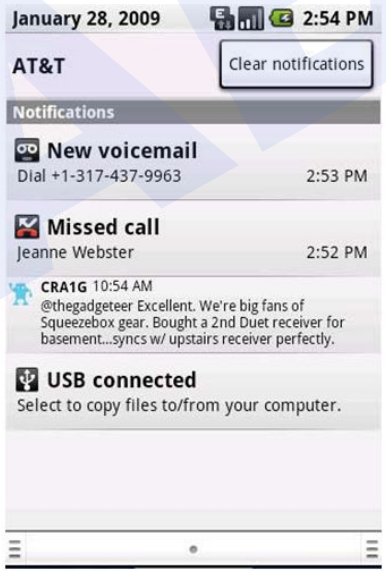
Architecture - Application Framework

- Notification Manager
  - How background app Interact with users
  - Consistent notification presentation





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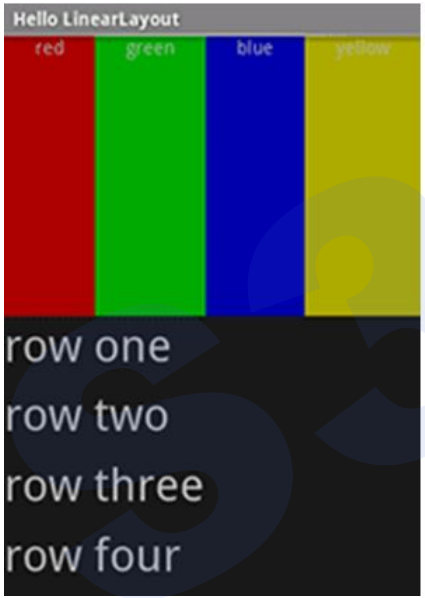
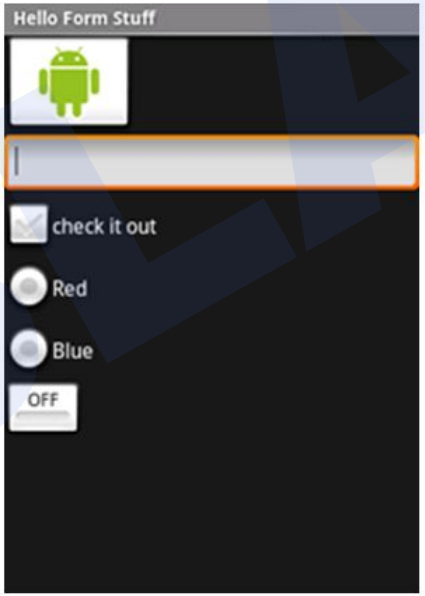
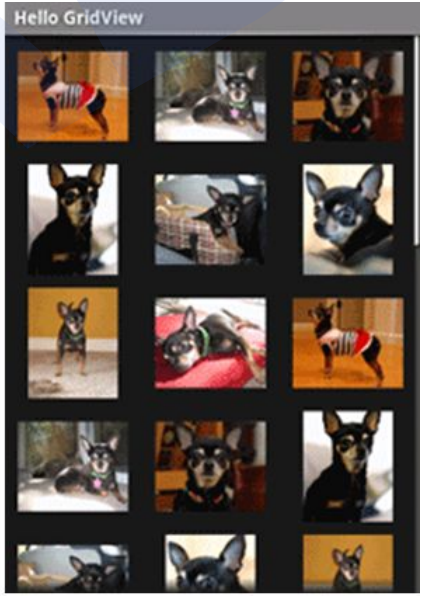
Architecture - Application Framework

- View System







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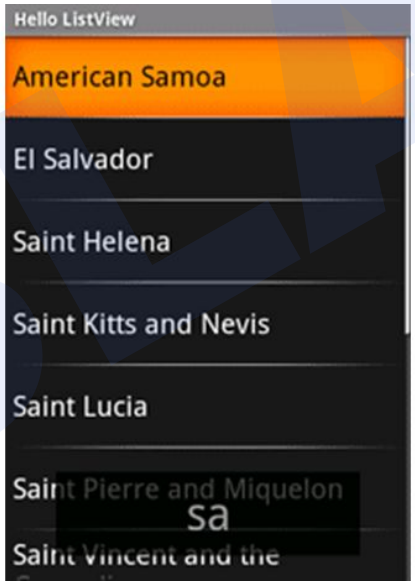

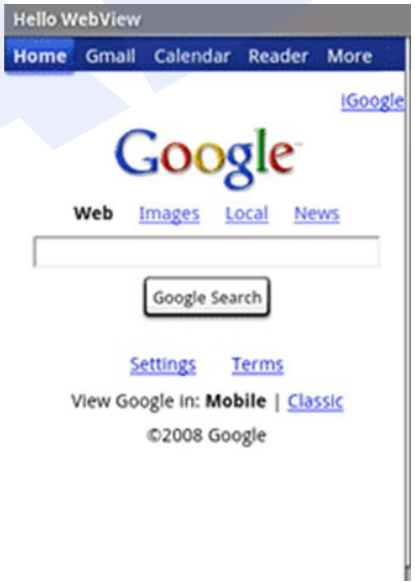

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Architecture - Libraries

- Including a set of C/C++ libraries used by components of the Android system
- Exposed to developers through the Android application framework
  - Media -> PacketVideo's OpenCORE for recording, playback audio and video
  - Surface Manager -> controls access to the display system and supports 2D, 3D
  - WebKit -> for browser support.
  - FreeType -> font support
  - SQLite -> a relational database

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Architecture - Android Runtime

- Core Libraries
  - Providing most of the functionality available in the core libraries of the Java language
  - APIs
    - Data Structures
    - Utilities
    - File Access
    - Network Access
    - Graphics
    - Etc

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Architecture - Android Runtime

- Dalvik Virtual Machine

Run multiple VMs efficiently

Each app has its own VM

Minimal memory footprint

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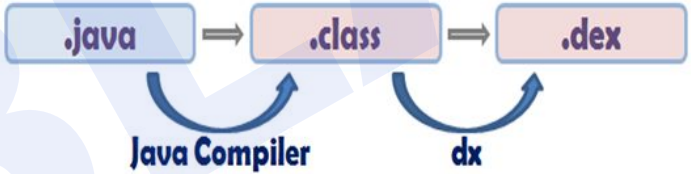
Architecture - Android Runtime

- Dalvik Virtual Machine
  - Executing the Dalvik Executable (.dex) format
    - .dex format is optimized for minimal memory footprint.
    - Compilation



  - Relying on the Linux Kernel for:
    - Threading
    - Low-level memory management

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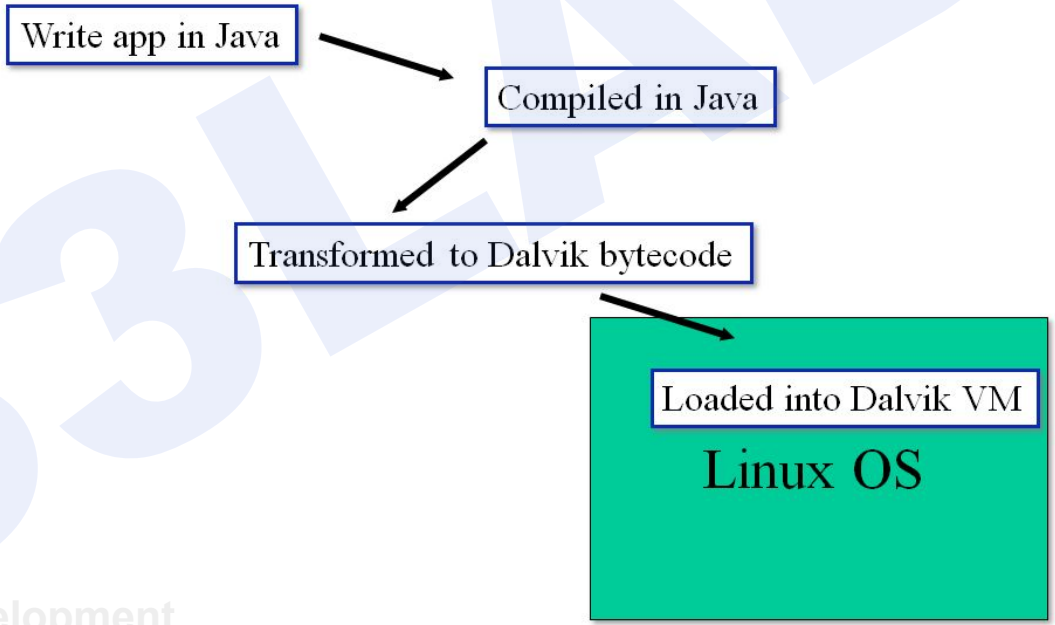
Architecture - Android Runtime

- Dalvik Virtual Machine



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Architecture - Android Runtime

- From KITKAT, Dalvik Virtual Machine was replaced by ART
- ART introduces ahead-of-time (AOT) compilation, which can improve app performance. ART also has tighter install-time verification than Dalvik.

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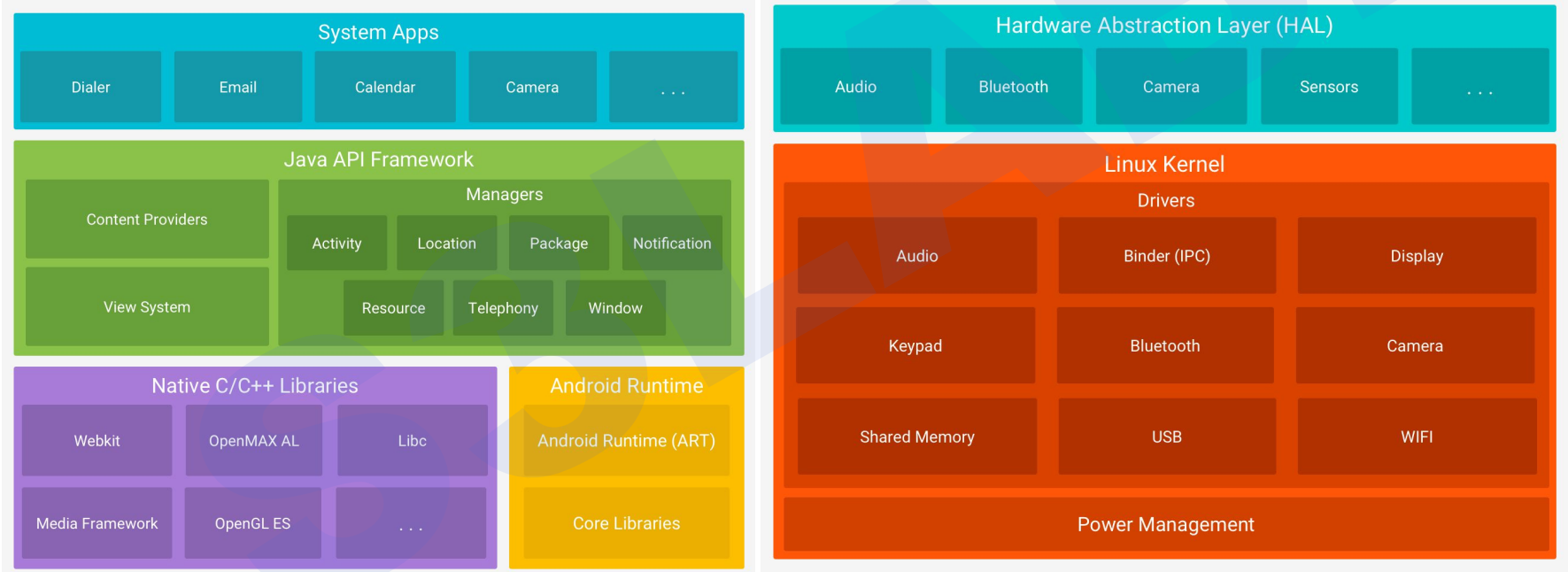
Architecture - Android Runtime



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Architecture - Linux Kernel

- Relying on Linux Kernel 2.6 for core system services
  - Memory and Process Management
  - Network Stack
  - Driver Model
  - Security
- The supplied device drivers include Display, Camera, Keypad, WiFi, Flash Memory, Audio, and IPC (interprocess communication).
- Providing an abstraction layer between the H/W and the rest of the S/W stack

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versioning

- Platform version
  - Current one is 11
- Framework API level
  - SDK compatibility
  - Each platform version has an API level
- NDK API level
  - API level for native headers
- Distribution
  - http://developer.android.com/about/dashboards/index.html

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Browsing the android source

- Source at
  - https://android.googlesource.com/
- Porting instructions (for system developers)
  - https://source.android.com/devices/index.html
- com.android classes
  - http://developer.android.com/reference/packages.html

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- Android SDK
  - Provides the Java framework classes
  - Compiles to java bytecode
  - Class framework is updated with every OS release
- Android NDK
  - C/C++ toolchain for compiling to machine code
- Android platform tools
  - adb (android debug bridge) : runs and debugs apps from your dev machine
- Android developer tools
  - Eclipse plug-in for Android
  - Android studio

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Application Packages

- .apk files: compressed files
  - class byte code
  - resources(icons, sounds, etc).
  - Binary native files
- All .apks are signed
  - Default development key is created by SDK.
  - When updating an application, signature are checked.

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Installing an application

- From application distribution markets
  - Google Play
  - Amazon App Store
  - Samsung App Store
  - Or your own distribution channel
- From your local computer using adb

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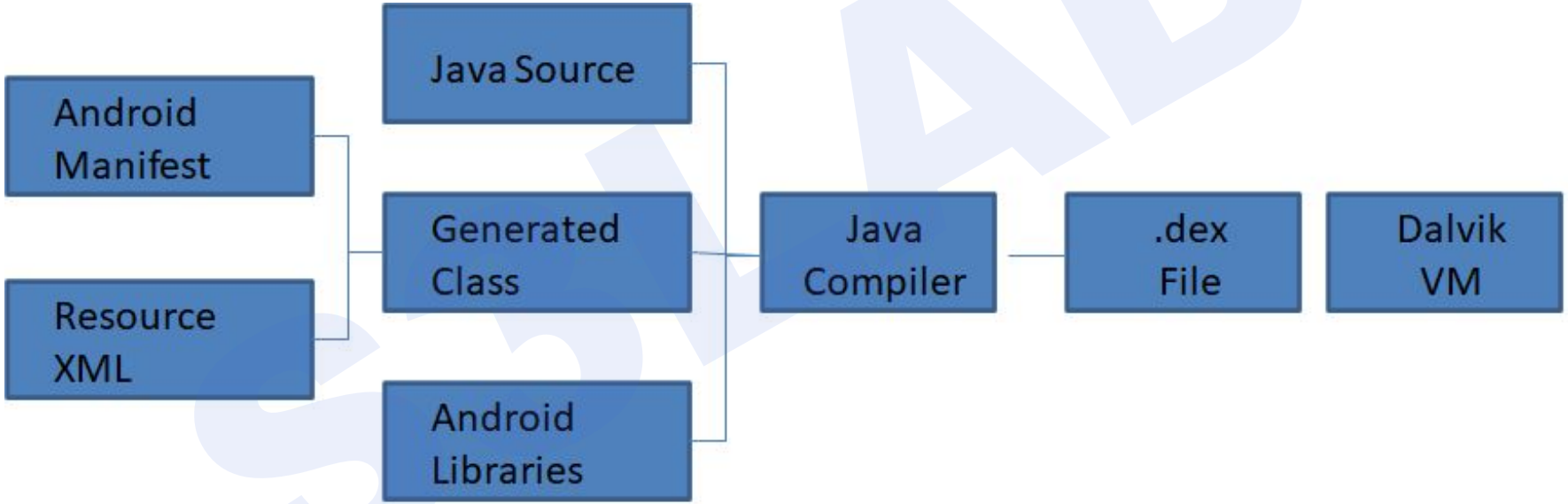
Compiling



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Core Building Blocks (Fundamental Components)

- Activity
- Views
- Fragments
- Intents
- Services
- Content Provider
- Broadcast Receivers
- Android Manifest.xml

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Core Building Blocks - Activity, View and Fragment

- An **Activity** is a class that represents to one UI screen
- A **View** is the UI element such as button, label, text field etc. Anything that you see is a view.
- **Fragments** are like parts of activity. An activity can display one or more fragments on the screen at the same time.

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Core Building Blocks - Intent

- **Intent** is used to invoke components. It is mainly used to:
  - Start the service
  - Launch an activity
  - Display a web page
  - Display a list of contacts
  - Broadcast a message
  - Dial a phone call etc.

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Core Building Blocks - Services, Broadcast Receivers, AndroidManifest.xml

- **Services**: Faceless components that run in the background
  - E.g. music player, network download etc…
- **AndroidManifest.xml**: It contains informations about activities, content providers, permissions etc. It is like the web.xml file in Java EE.
- **Broadcast Receivers**: handle communication between core Android OS and applications running on the surface layer. The application modules communicate with each other using the broadcast receiver.

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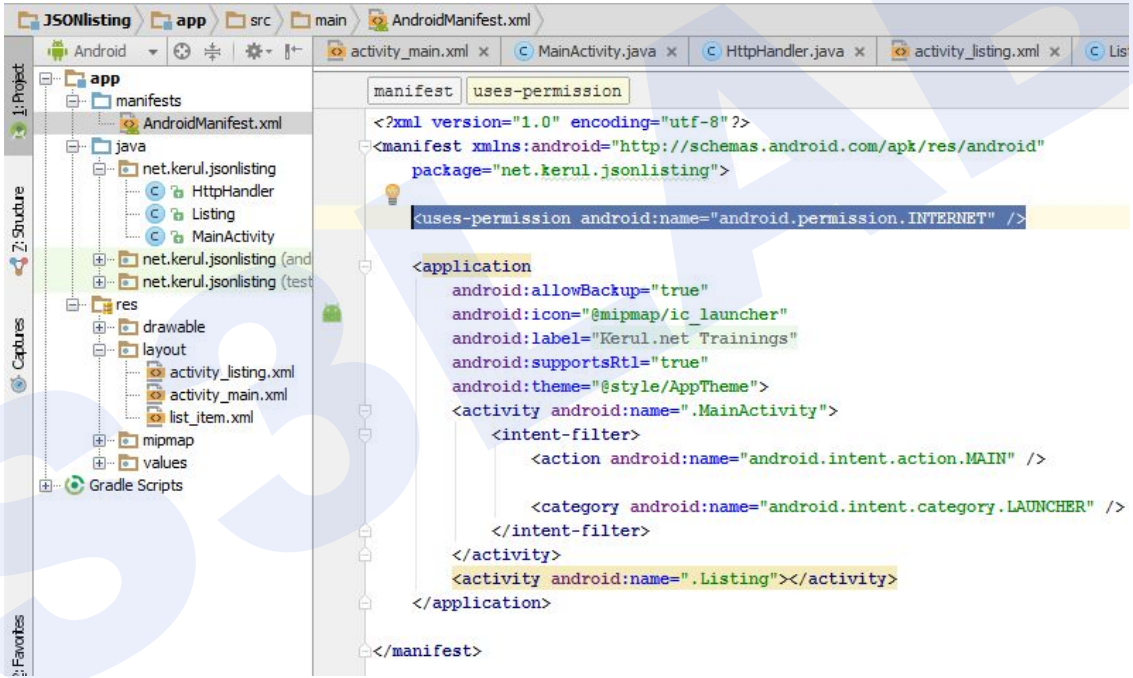
Core Building Blocks - Services, Broadcast Receivers, AndroidManifest.xml



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Core Building Blocks - Content Providers

- Enables sharing of data across applications
  - E.g. address book, photo gallery
- Provides uniform APIs for:
  - Querying
  - delete, update and insert.
- Content is represented by URI and MIME type

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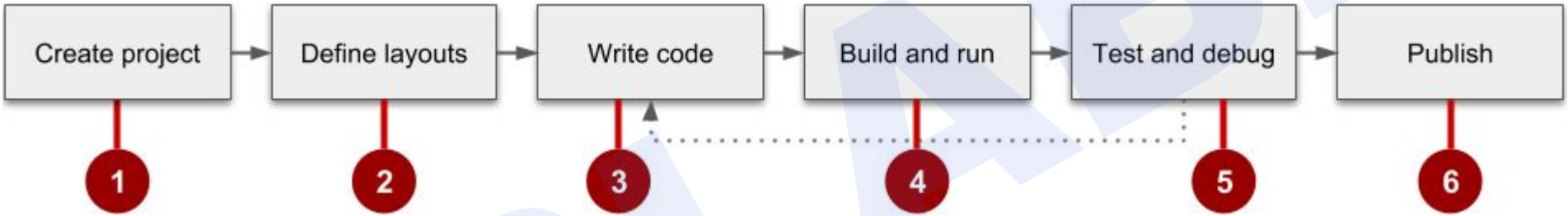
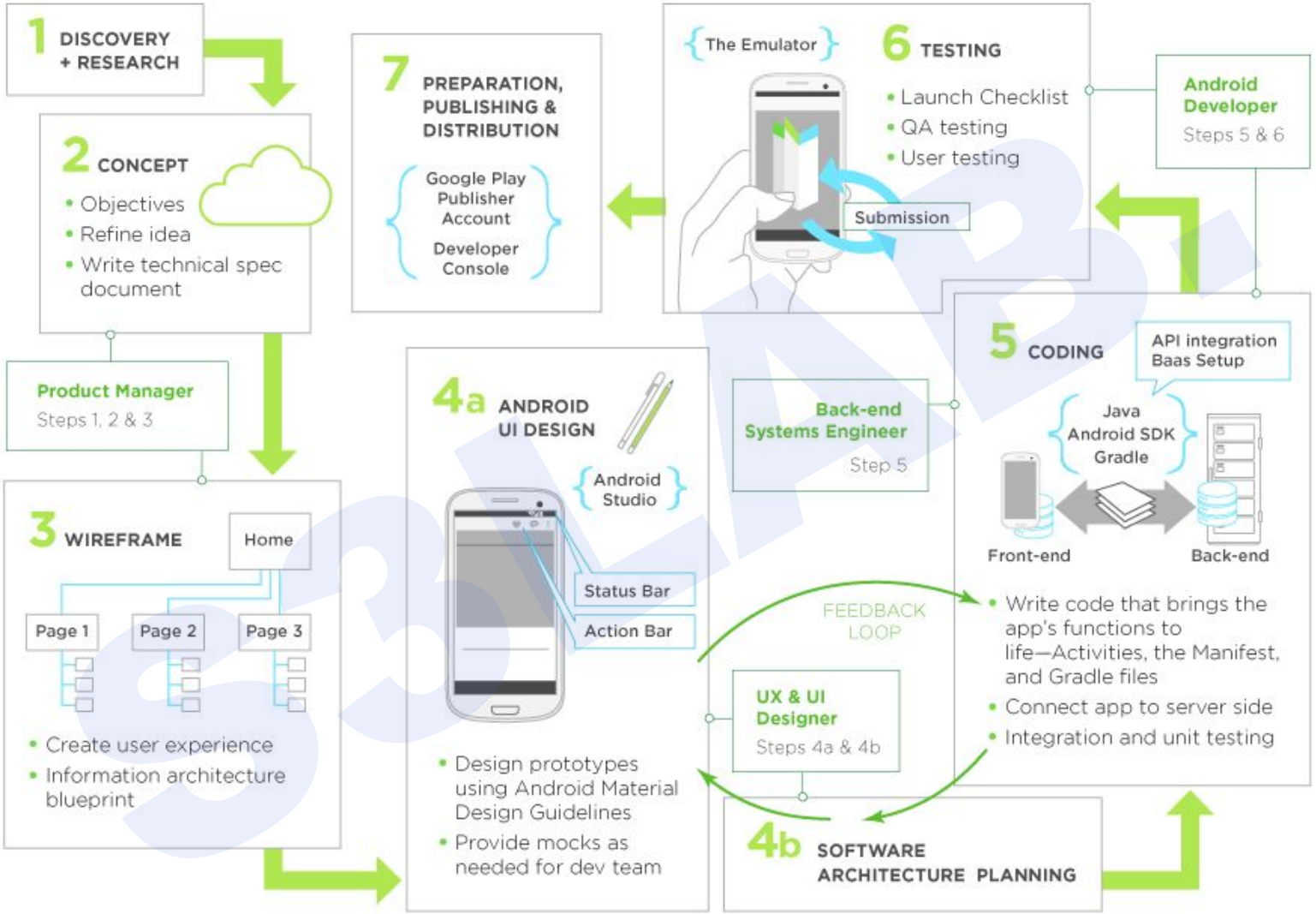
Development Process



- Layouts in XML format
- Build and run the app on real or virtual devices
- Publish the app by assembling the final APK and distributing it through channels such as Google play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2 CONCEPT
• Objectives
• Refine idea
• Write technical spec document
Product Manager
Steps 1, 2 & 3
3 WIREFRAME
Home
Page 1
Page 2
Page 3
• Create user experience
• Information architecture blueprint
4a ANDROID UI DESIGN
Android Studio
Status Bar
Action Bar
• Design prototypes using Android Material Design Guidelines
• Provide mocks as needed for dev team
UX & UI Designer
Steps 4a & 4b
4b SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE PLANNING
FEEDBACK LOOP
Back-end Systems Engineer
Step 5
5 CODING
API integration Baas Setup
Java
Android SDK
Gradle
Front-end
Back-end
• Write code that brings the app's functions to life—Activities, the Manifest, and Gradle files
• Connect app to server side
• Integration and unit testing
Android Developer
Steps 5 & 6
6 TESTING
• Launch Checklist
• QA testing
• User testing
The Emulator
Submission
7 PREPARATION, PUBLISHING & DISTRIBUTION
Google Play Publisher Account
Developer Console

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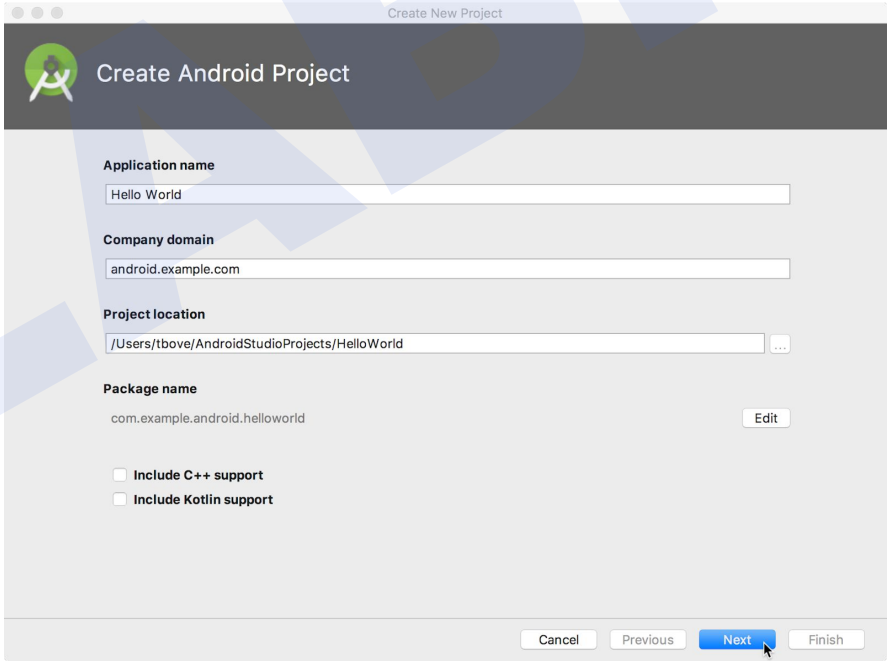
Development Process - Create Project

- The company domain should be unique.
- The package name should be unique to public to google play



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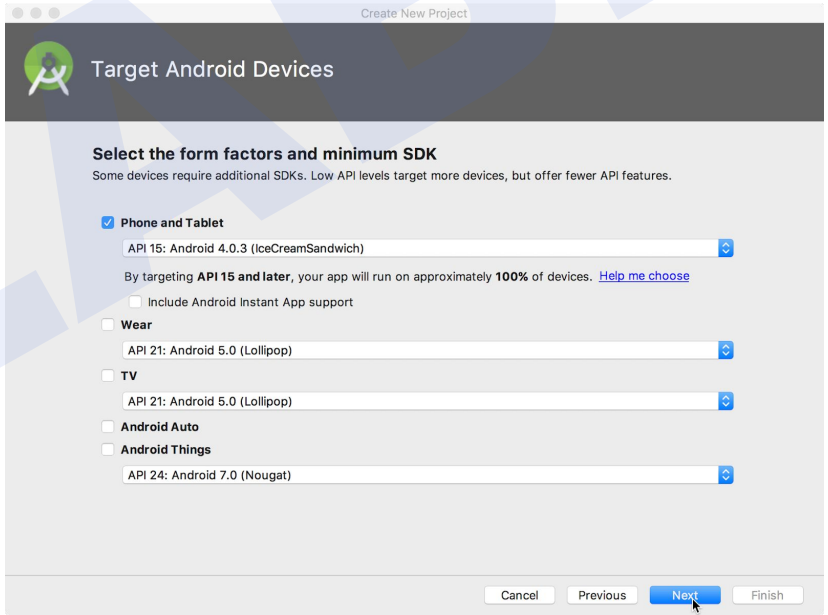
Development Process - Create Project

- Choose the target device



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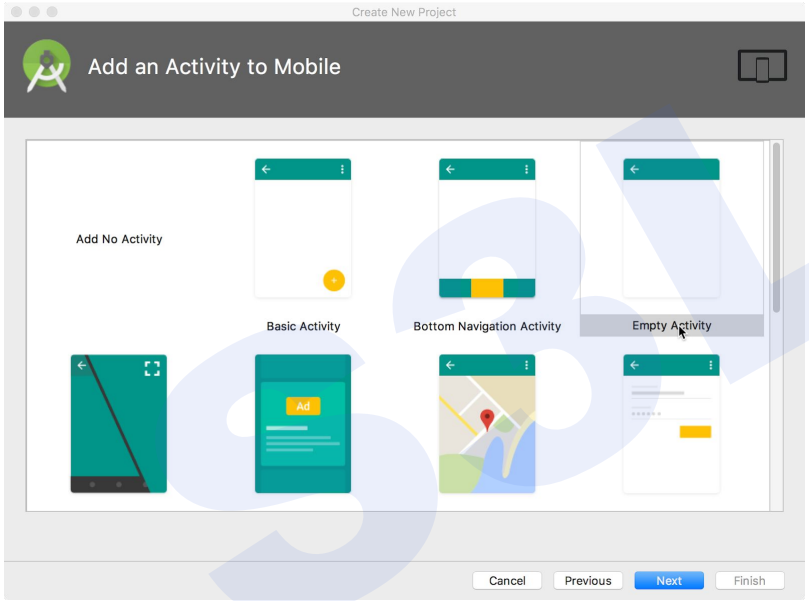
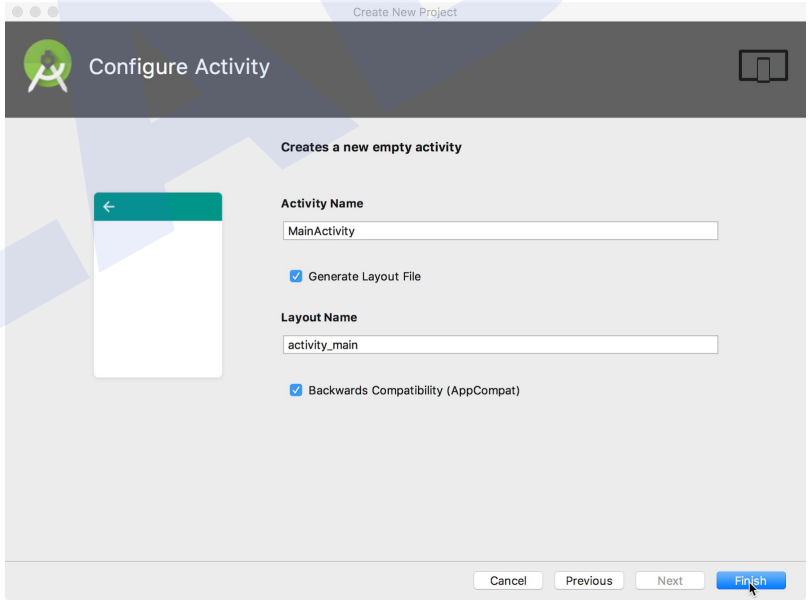
Development Process - Create Project

- Choose the activity template





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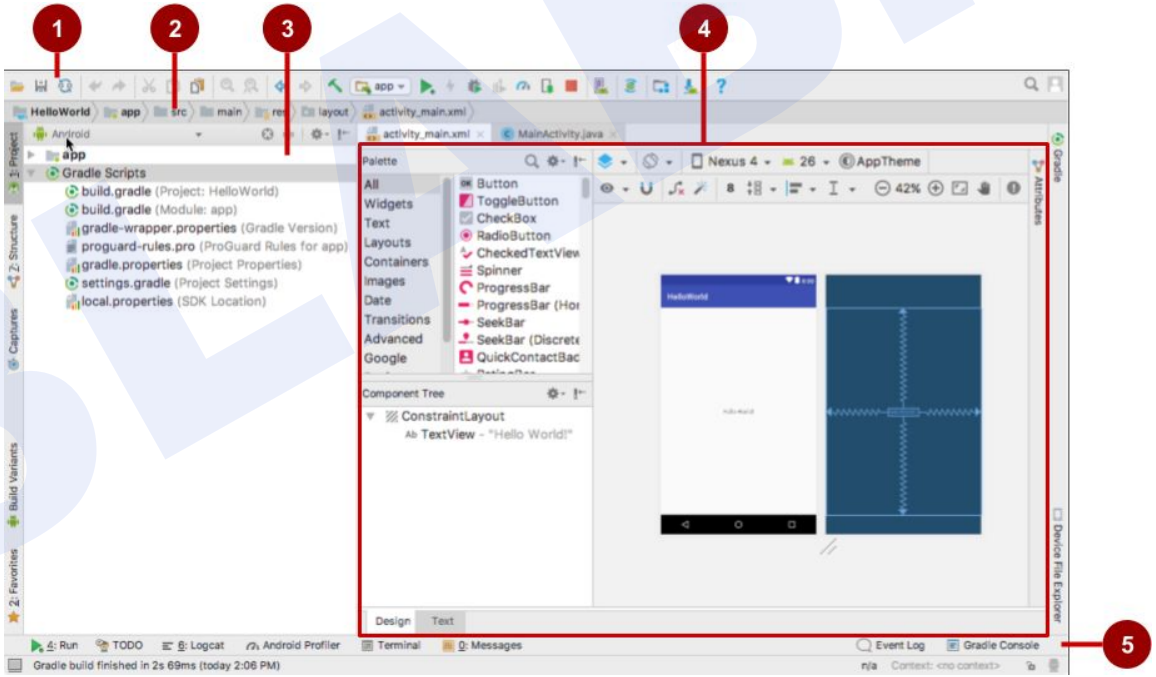
Development Process - Create Project

- Toolbar
- Navigation Bar
- Project pane
- Editor
- Tabs



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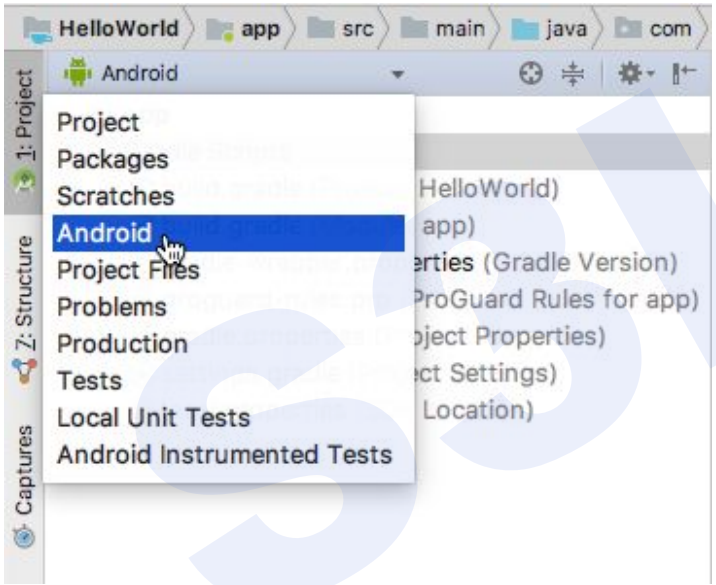
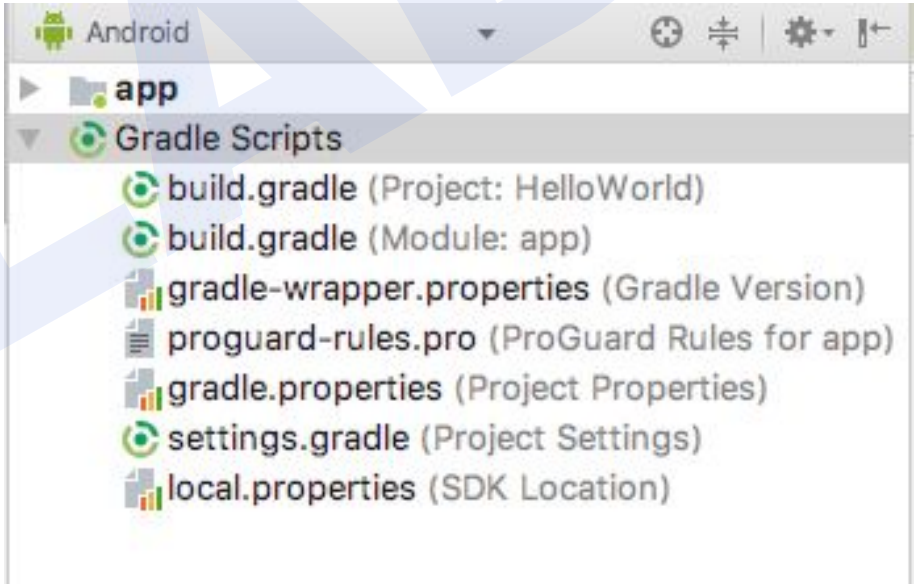
Development Process - Create Project

- Project pane





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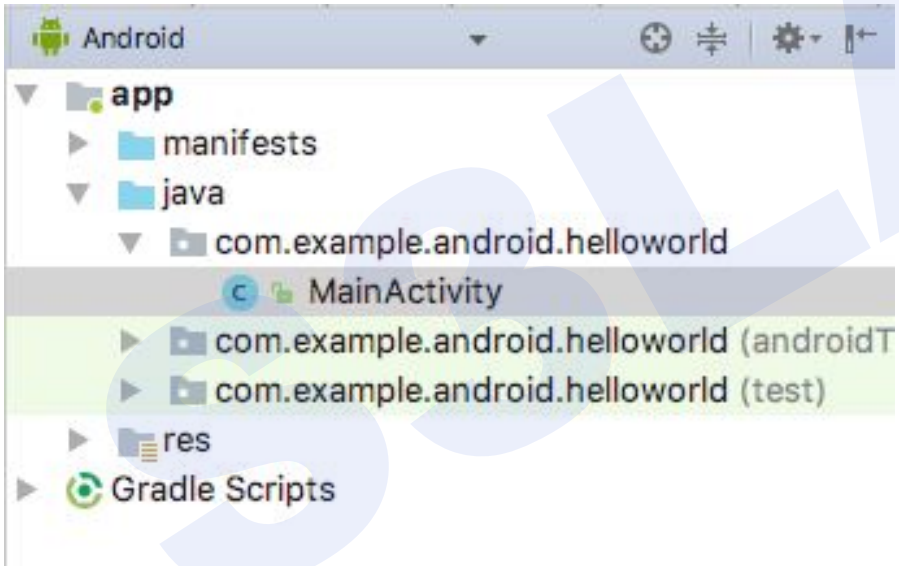

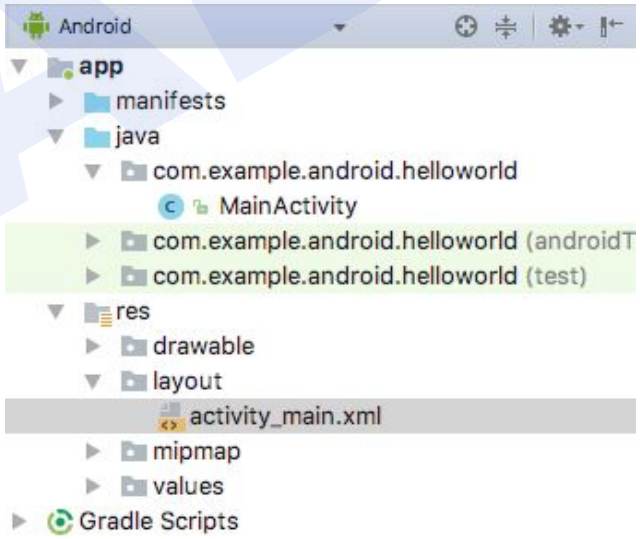

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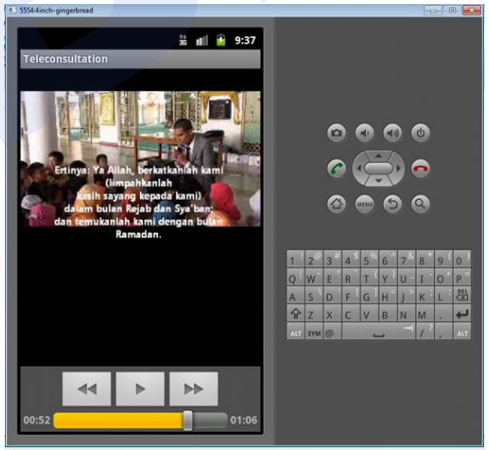
Android Studio - Emulator

- Two choices for deployment:
  - Real Android device
  - Android virtual device
- Plug in your real device; otherwise, create an Android virtual device
- Emulator is slow. Try Intel accelerated version, or perhaps http://www.genymotion.com/
- Run the app: press “Run” button in toolbar



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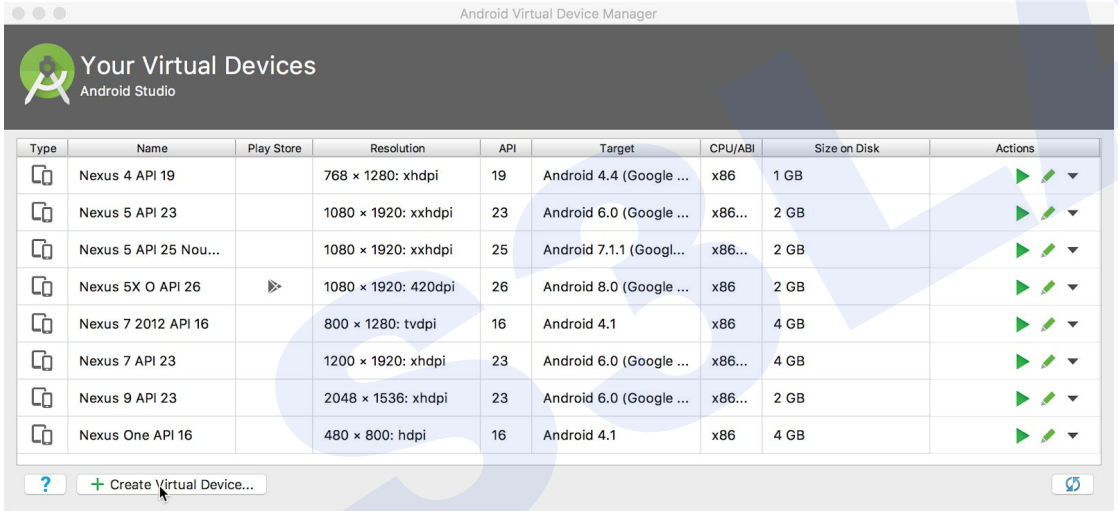
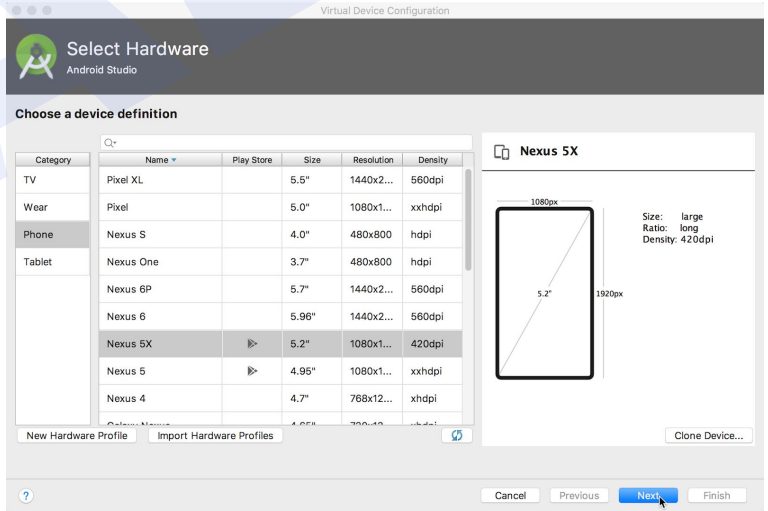
Android Studio - Emulator

- Tools > Android > AVD Manager





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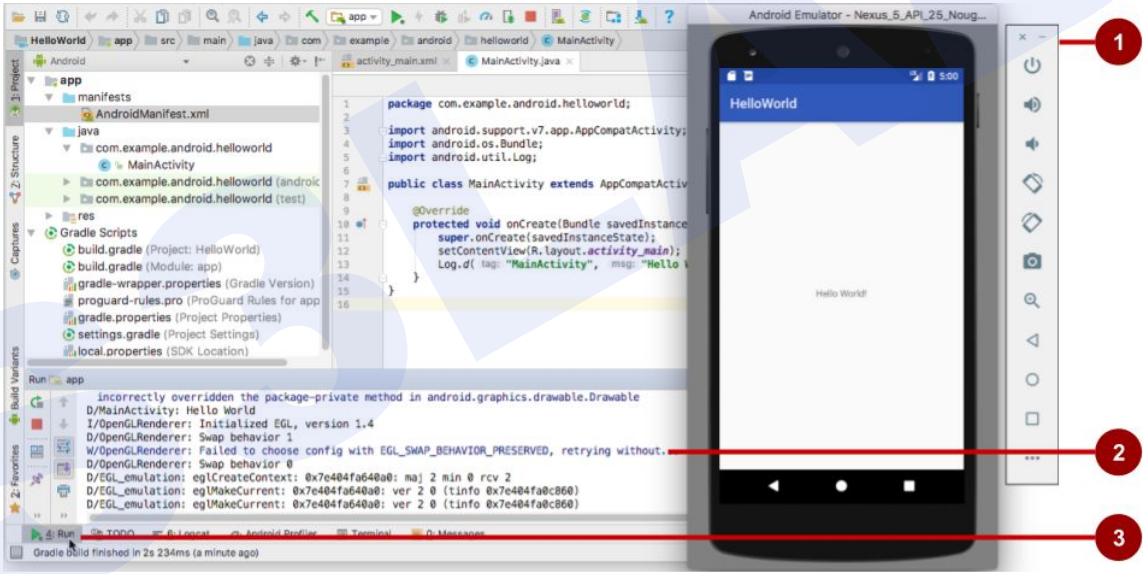

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Android Studio - Actual Device Debugging

- USB data cable
- Android USB driver – need to install on PC
- Enable Developers Options
  - Setting -> About Phone -> 7x taps on Build Number
- Enable USB debugging
  - Settings -> Developer options -> Enable USB Debugging

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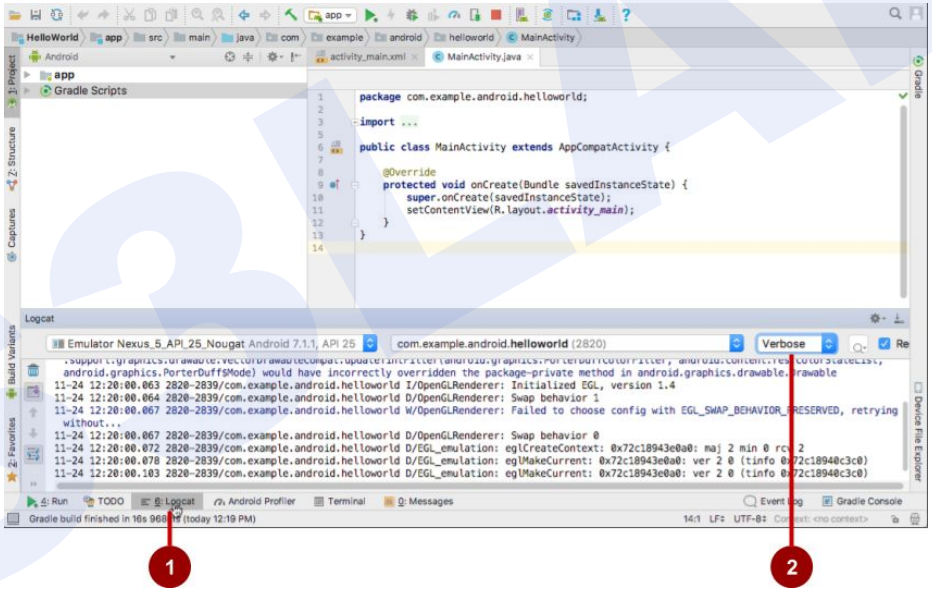
Android Studio - Logcat

- Log.d(“filter message”, “message content”);



Homework

- Install **Android Studio**: https://developer.android.com/studio
- Create the First Android Application, Run it on emulator and Real-device.

  https://developer.android.com/codelabs/build-your-first-android-app#2

Q & A

Thank you for listening

"Coming together is a beginning;
Keeping together is progress;
Working together is success."
- HENRY FORD