

# Introduction - MobileFirst SDK development in Cordova applications

## Overview

From <http://cordova.apache.org/> (<http://cordova.apache.org/>):

Apache Cordova is an open-source mobile development framework. It allows you to use standard web technologies such as HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript for cross-platform development, avoiding each mobile platforms' native development language. Applications execute within wrappers targeted to each platform, and rely on standards-compliant API bindings to access each device's sensors, data, and network status.

IBM MobileFirst Platform Foundation provides an SDK in the form of a standard Cordova plug-in which can be installed in your Cordova application.

The MobileFirst SDK feature set, including:

- Ability to navigate between web and native views and/or call Native code using the MobileFirst SendAction API
- Share data between web and native views
- Use MobileFirst ResourceRequest API to retrieve data from any backend
- Protect applications using MobileFirst Security model
- And more...

Learn more about Cordova application development in the Cordova website: <http://cordova.apache.org/> (<http://cordova.apache.org/>)

Cordova applications can be developed using UI frameworks like AngularJS (<https://angularjs.org/>), jQuery Mobile (<http://jquerymobile.com/>), Backbone (<http://backbonejs.org/>) and more.

For specific UI elements use Cordova plugins such as cordova-plugin-dialogs (<https://www.npmjs.com/package/cordova-plugin-dialogs>), cordova-plugin-statusbar (<https://www.npmjs.com/package/cordova-plugin-statusbar>) or cordova-plugin-progress (<https://www.npmjs.com/package/cordova-plugin-progress>).

## Tutorials

To get started with the MobileFirst SDK for Cordova, see the Hello World tutorial: Integrating MobileFirst Platform Foundation SDK in Cordova Applications ([../configuring-the-mfpf-sdk/integrating-mfpf-sdk-in-cordova-applications/](#)) The MobileFirst Platform Foundation Getting Started section provides various tutorials detailing implementation of MobileFirst capabilities.

Select a tutorial:

**[list of tutorials here](#)**