

# android Bootcamp 2019

## Multi-Display and Foldables

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# Agenda

## Multi-display

Previous releases

Target platforms

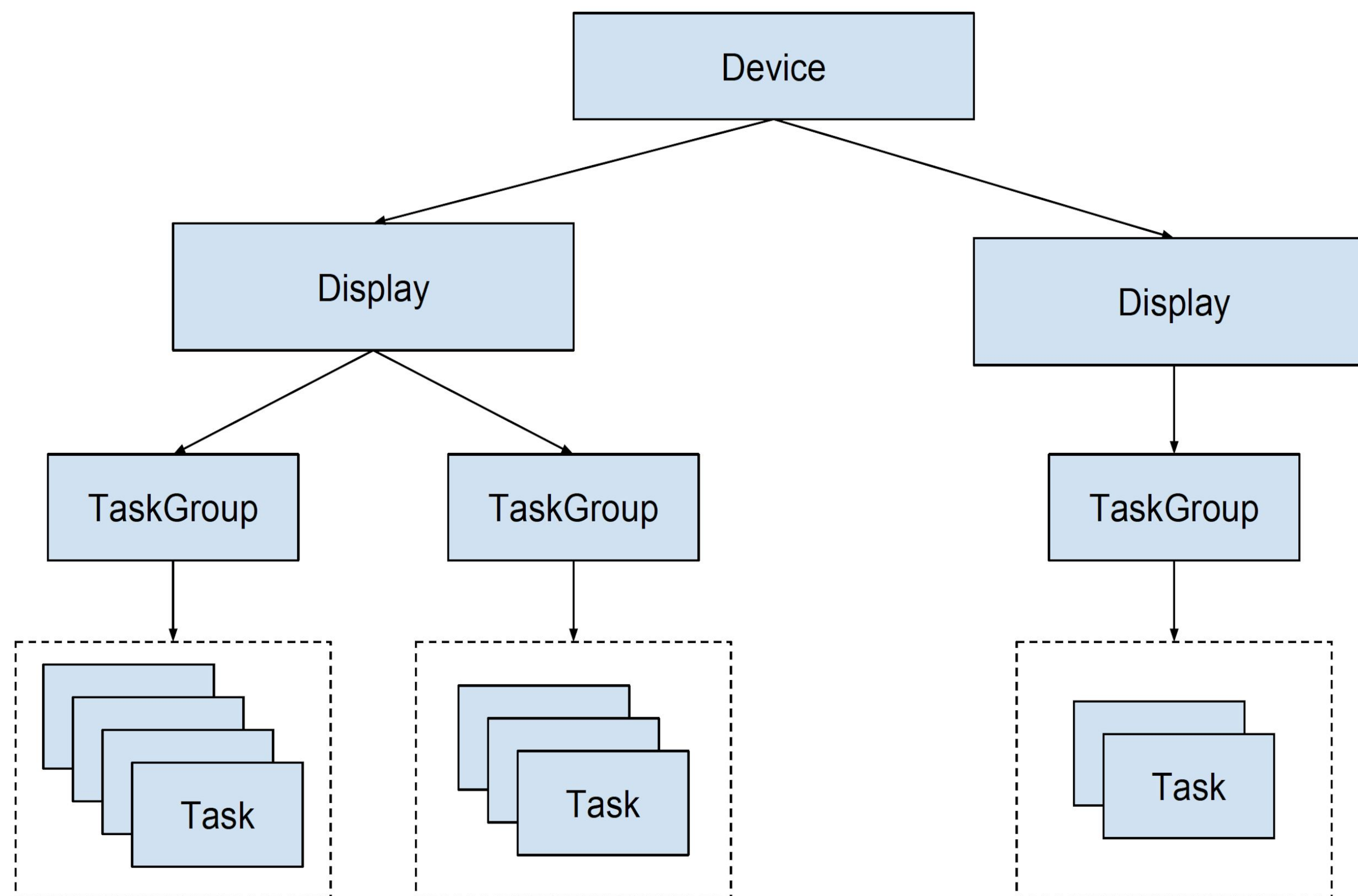
Changes and features

## Foldables

# Multi-display



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```
// Get target display
DisplayManager dm = (DisplayManager) getSystemService(DISPLAY_SERVICE);
Display[] displays = dm.getDisplays();

// Launch activity on target display
ActivityOptions options = ActivityOptions.makeBasic();
options.setLaunchDisplayId(displayId);
startActivity(intent, options.toBundle());
```

# Target platforms in Q

- Android Automotive (a.k.a. Auto Embedded)
- Multi-display and foldable devices
- Desktop mode
- ARC++



# Android Auto Embedded





# Multi-screen devices





# Desktop mode and ARC++



# Main goals in Q

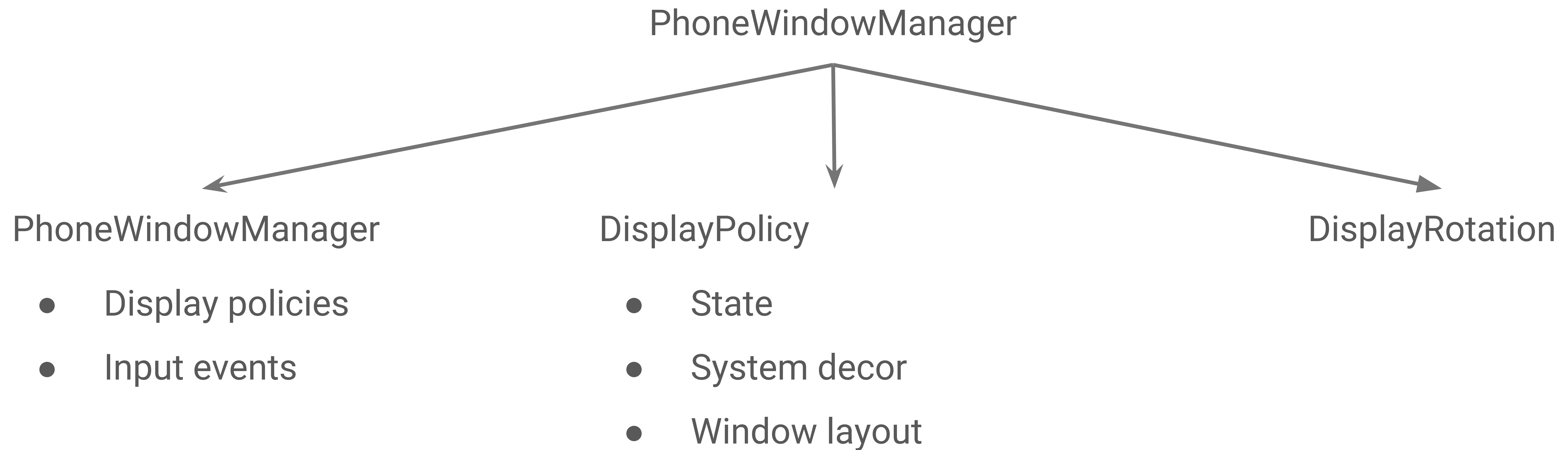
- Fixing fundamental issues and limitations (input, IME, focus handling, etc.)
- Reducing fragmentation by providing default implementation
- Building a flexible system to support new projects and use cases



# Project parts

- Default-display-only limitations in core framework
- IME on external displays
- Per-display focus and multi-IME
- Support for 3+ hardware displays
- Generic display identification and input routing
- SystemUI components
- Multi-zone audio
- Emulator support
- and much more...

# Separating display policies



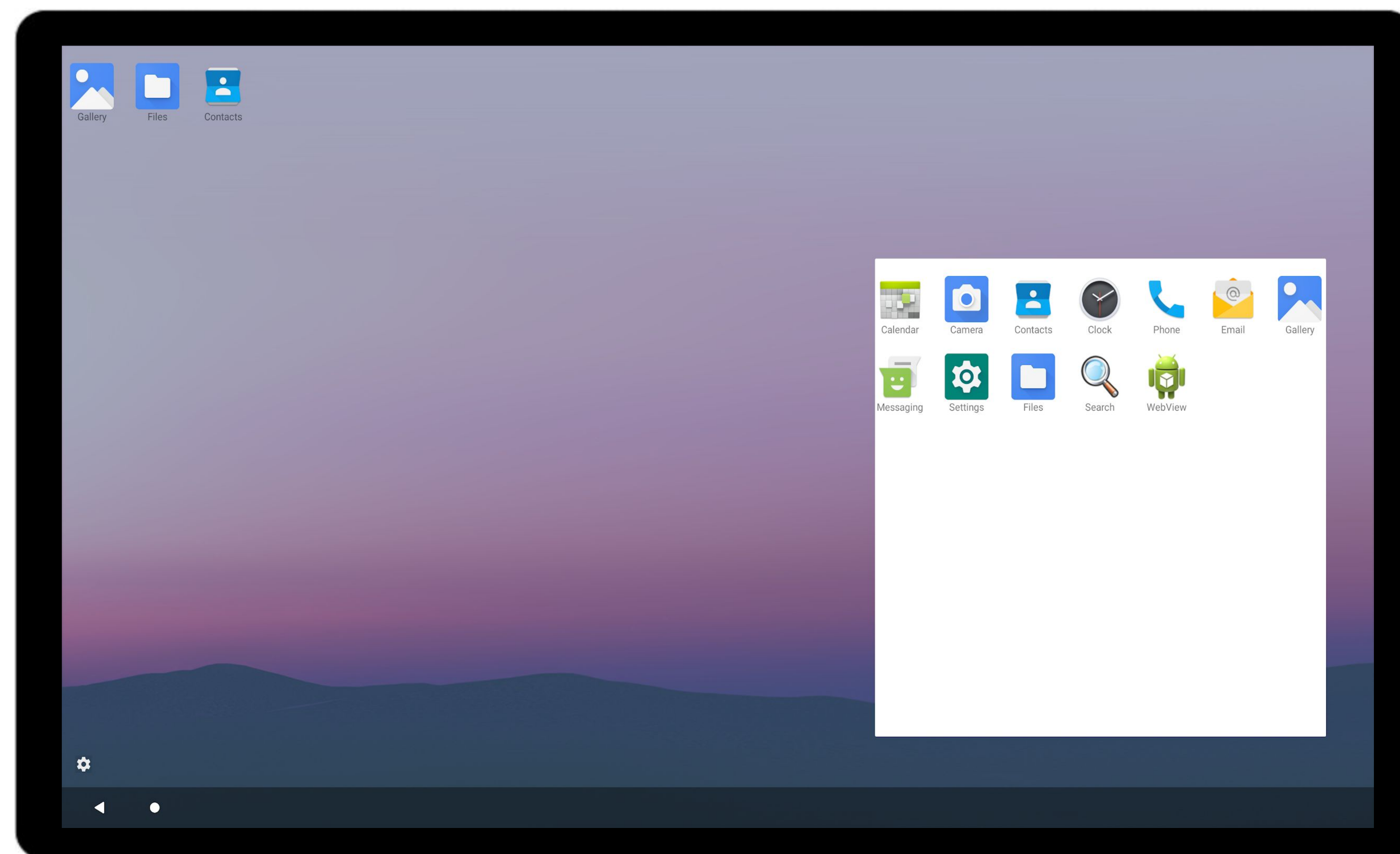


# Display settings

## DisplayWindowSettings

- Windowing mode
- System decorations support
- User rotation

# System decorations





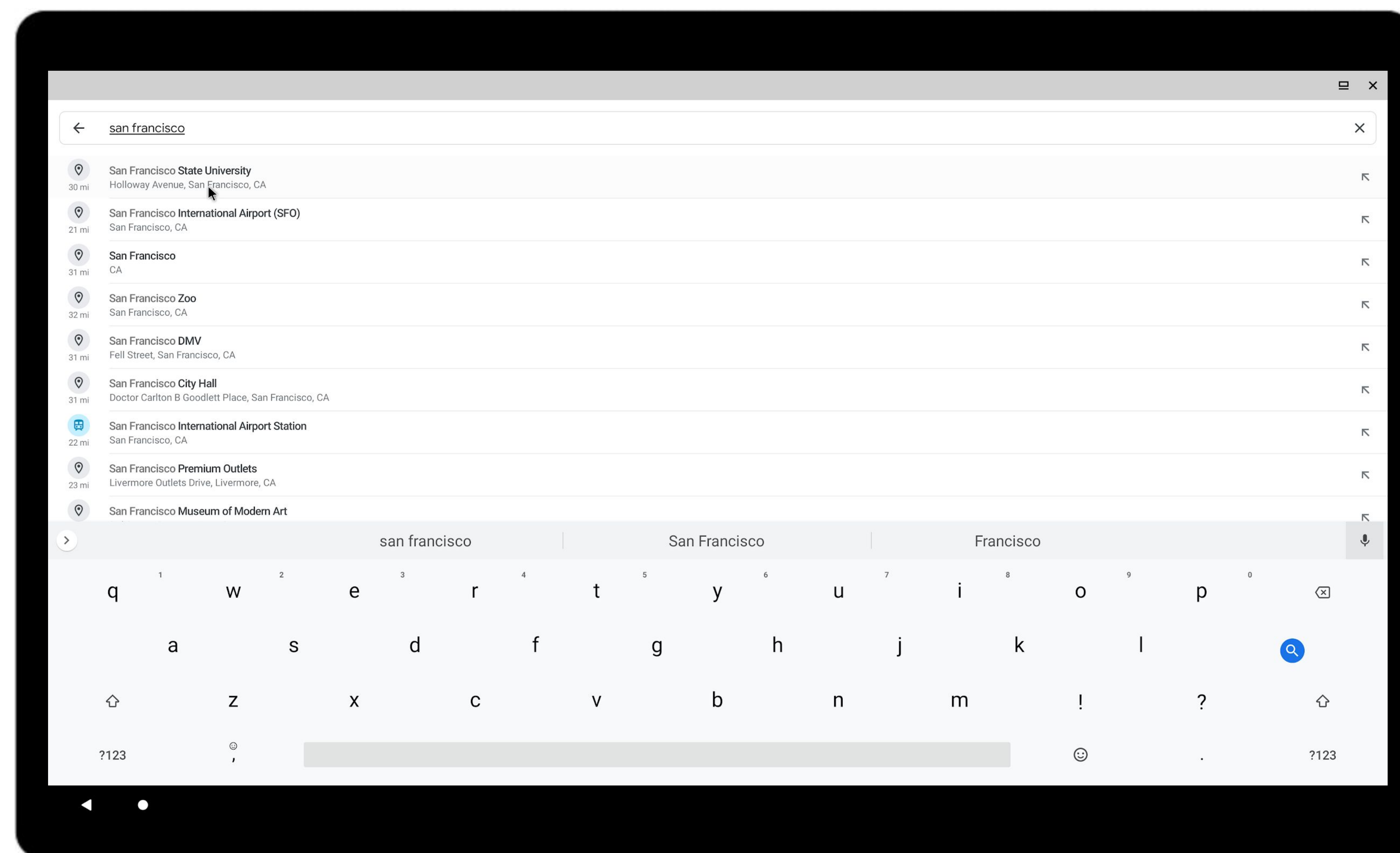
# System decorations - launcher

```
<activity
    ...
    android:launchMode="singleInstance/singleTask">
        <intent-filter>
            <category android:name="android.intent.category.SECONDARY_HOME" />
            ...
        </intent-filter>
</activity>
```

**// System default**

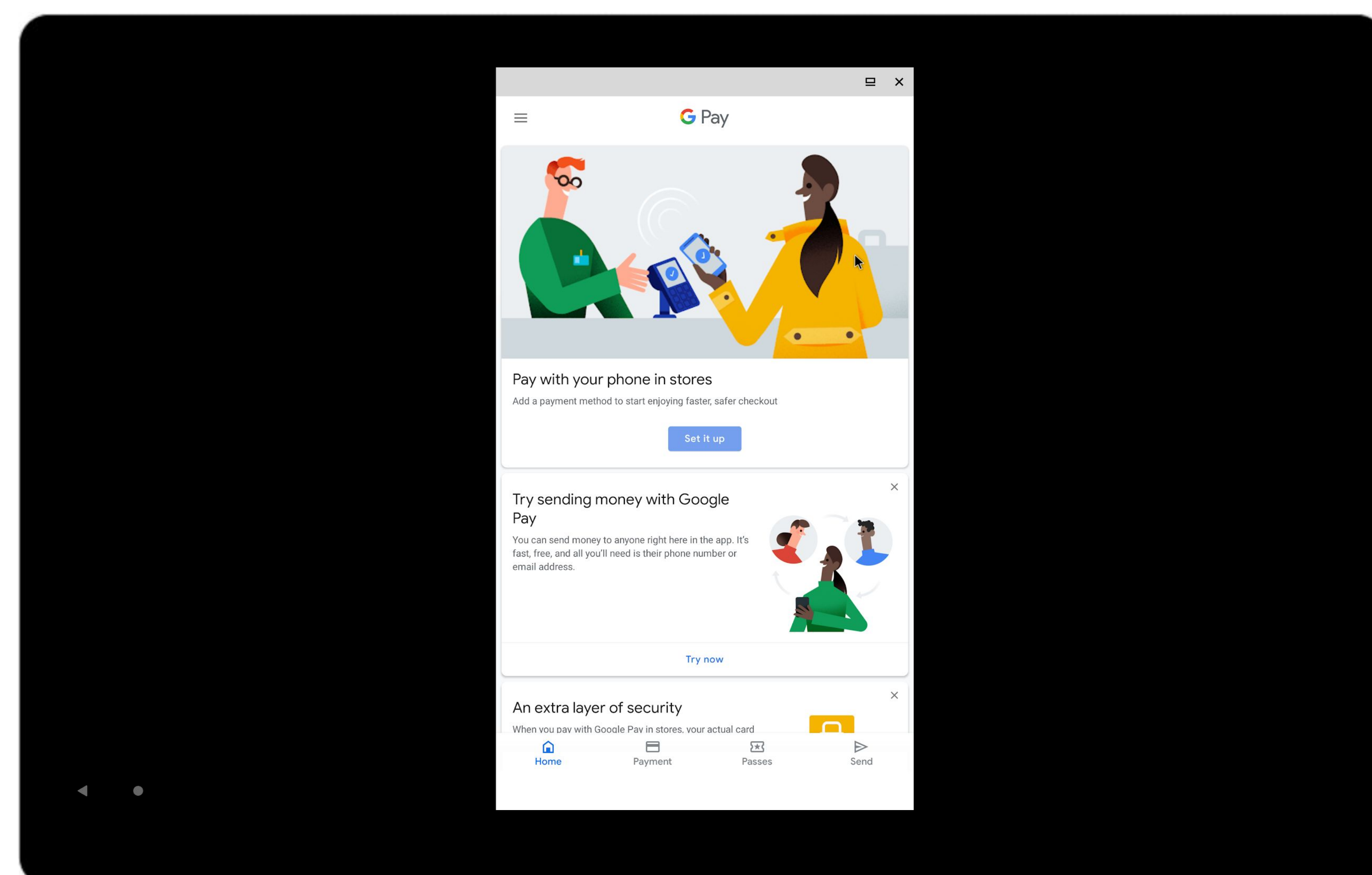
```
com.android.internal.R.string.config_secondaryHomeComponent
```

# System decorations - IME





# Activities



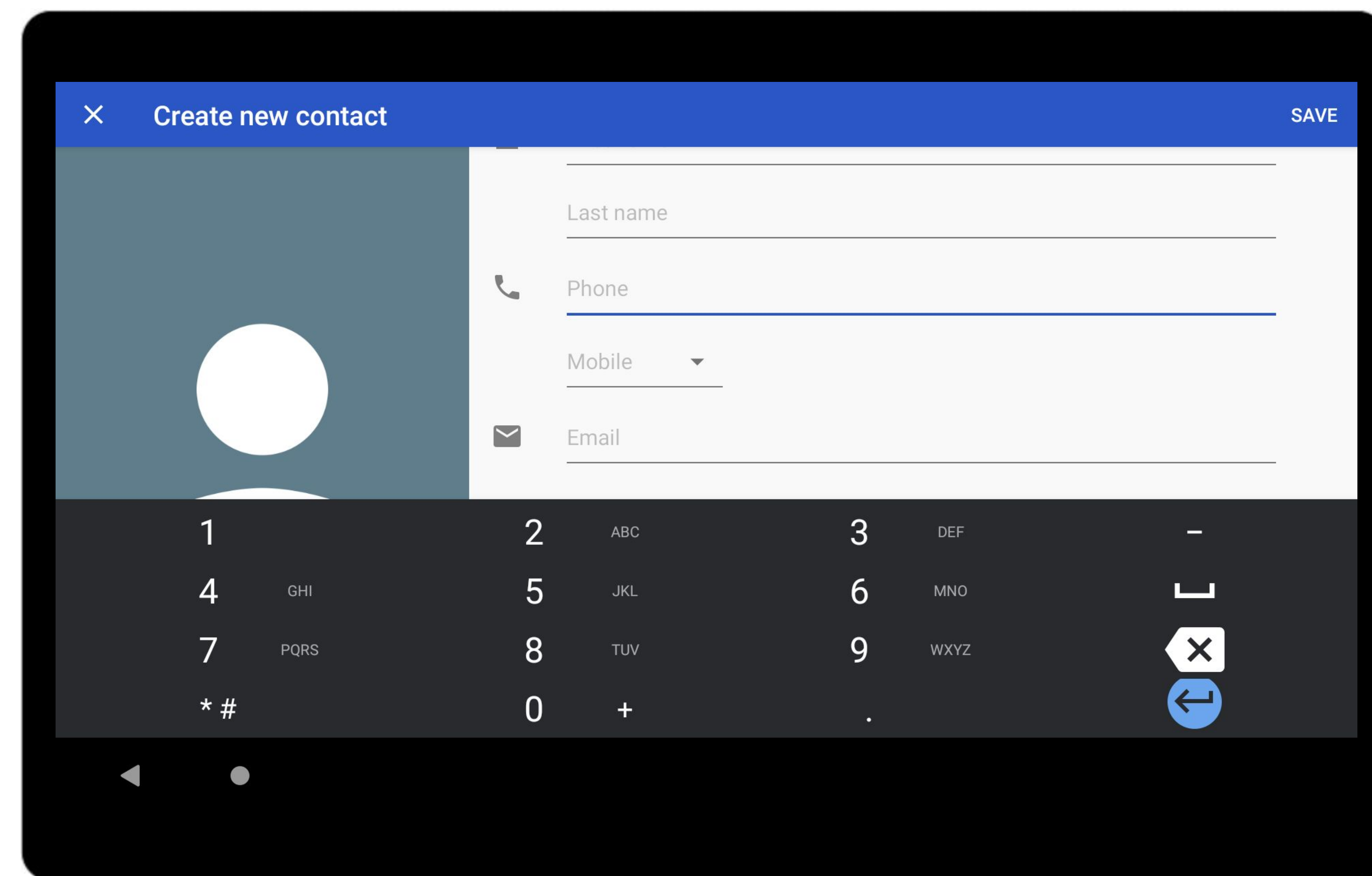
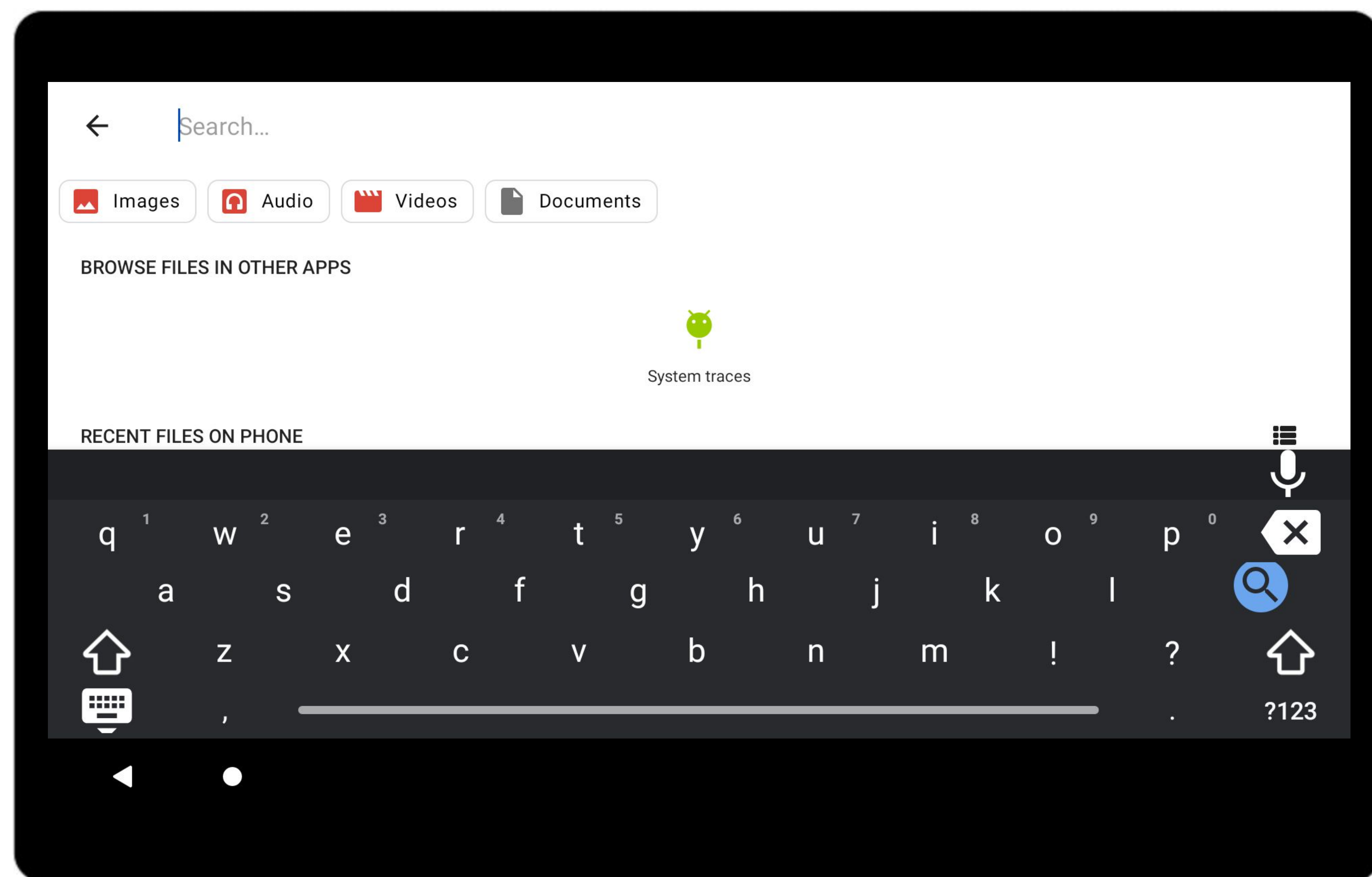


# Multiple screens

- Support for 3+ hardware displays
- Stable display identifiers (by port)
- Display-input association



# Multi-focus and multi-IME

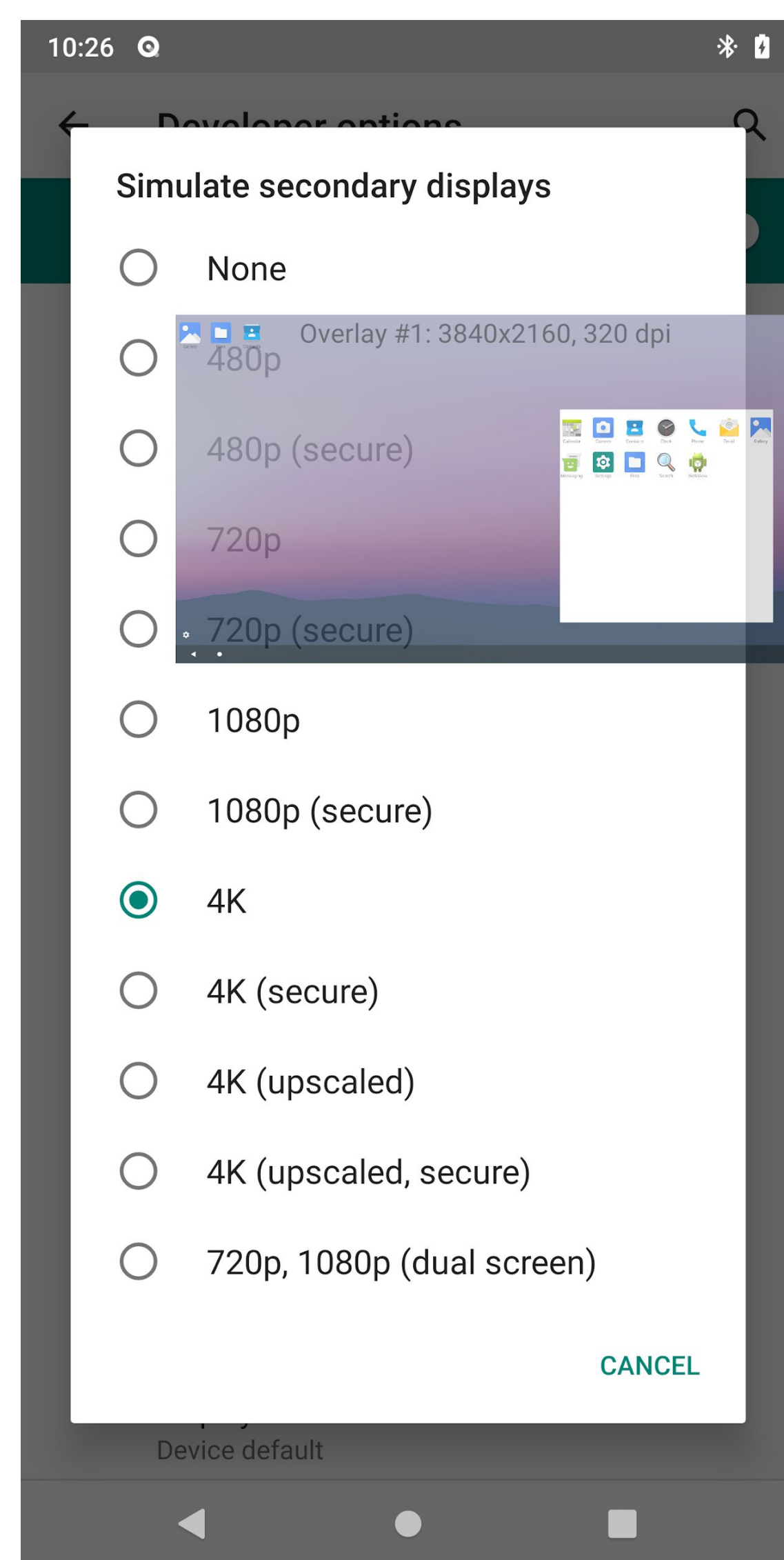


# Fixes

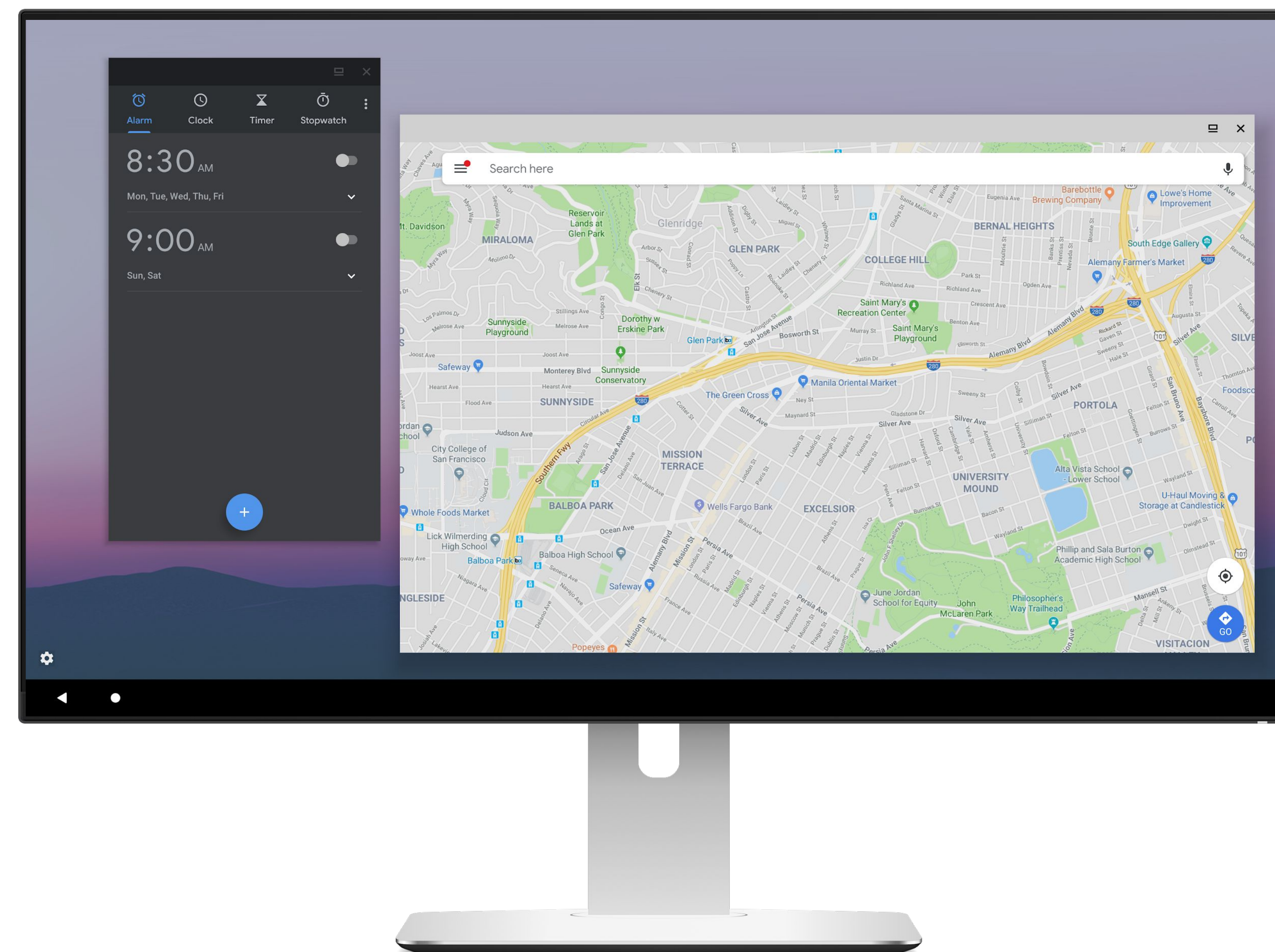
- Focus handling
- Activity launches
- Animations
- System insets and immersive mode
- Toasts
- Drag and drop
- Mouse pointer
- Shell commands
- ...



# Dev environment



Simulated display



External display



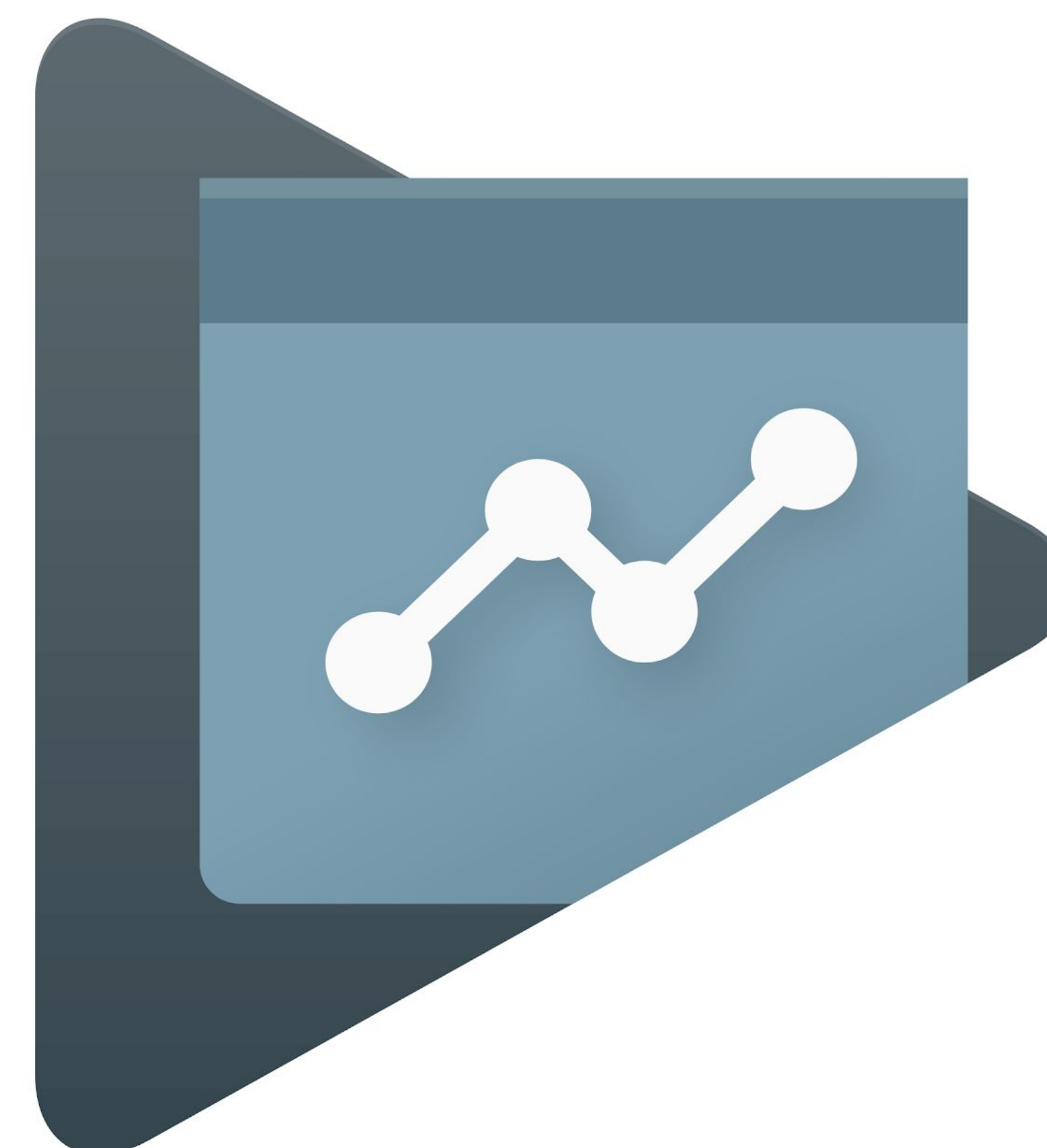




# Goals in Q



Solid foundations for OEMs



Consistent developer experience

# Changes in Q

- Platform changes
  - App continuity for non-resizable activities
  - Multi-resume
  - Support for 1:1 aspect ratio
  - HALs
- Developer experience
  - Foldable AOSP emulator
- UX guidelines



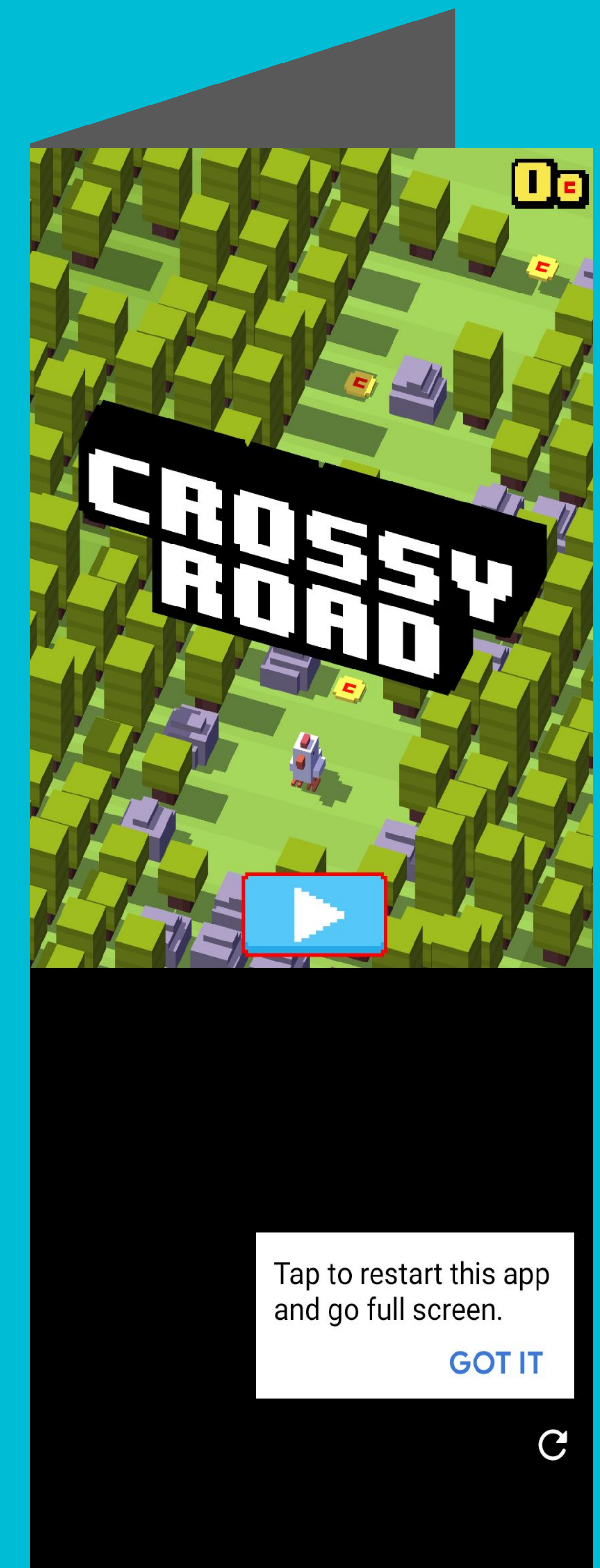
# App continuity

Non-resizable activities present **challenges** for new form factors, because some don't properly resize.

**New in Q:** Some activities are **rescaled** when the display size or density changes, to avoid crashes, distortions and state loss.



Distorted by changing aspect ratio (P)



Scaled down, same aspect ratio (Q)



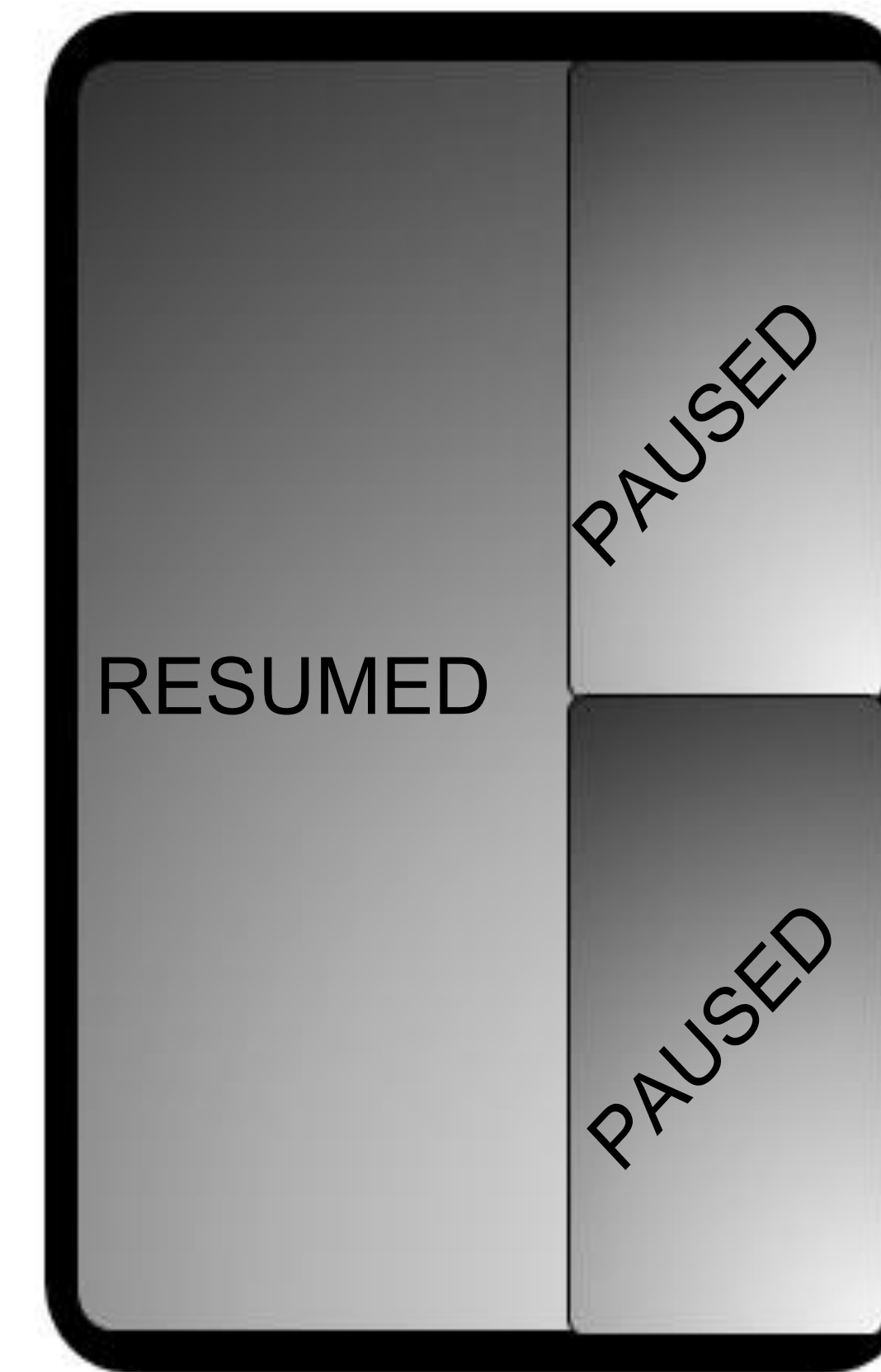
# Multi-resume

**Before Q:** At most one activity is resumed at any time

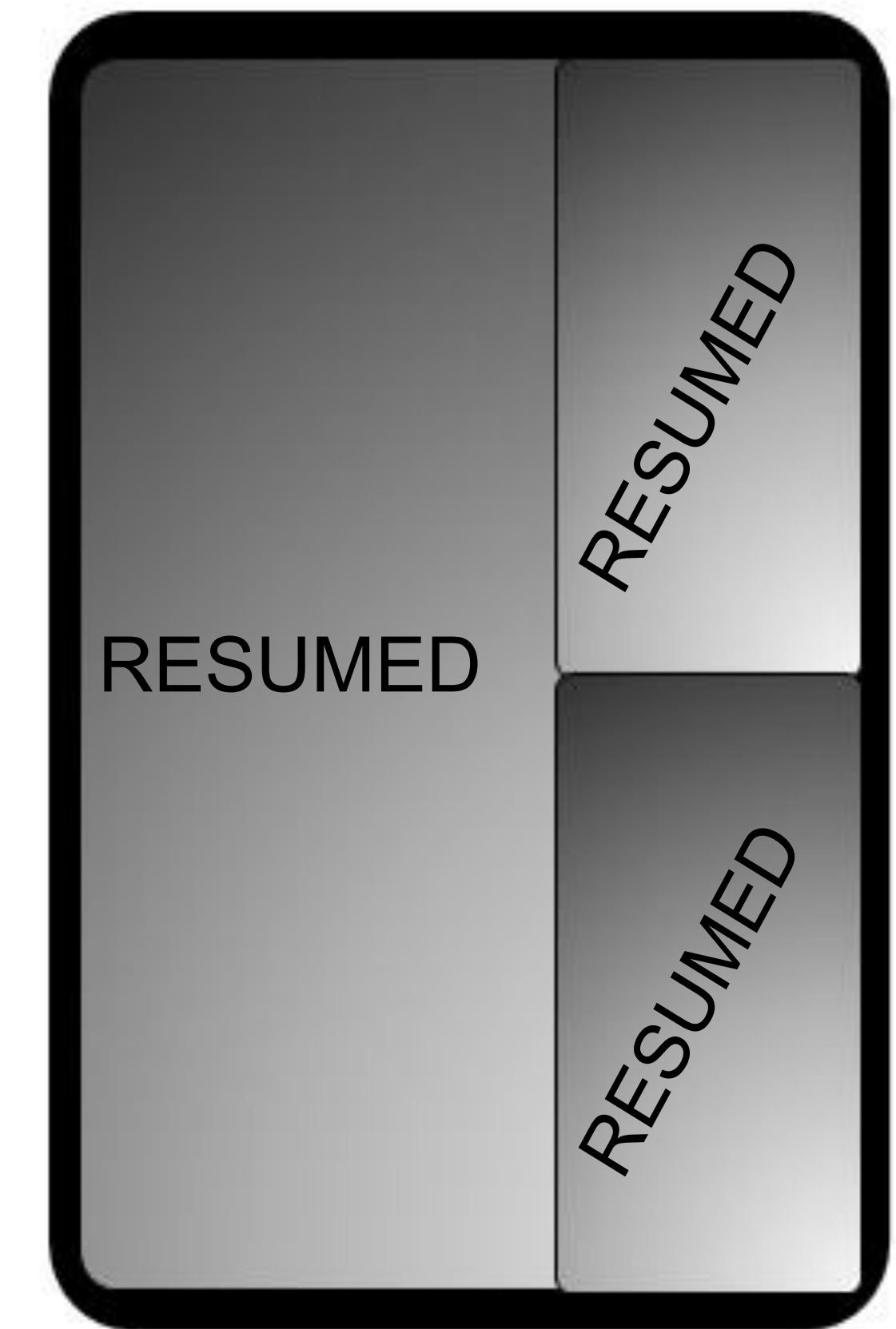
**New in Q:** In multi-window, all top focusable activities in visible stacks are now in the RESUMED state.

Activity can be resting in the PAUSED state if:

- There is a transparent activity on top
- It's not currently focusable (e.g., PiP)



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# Multi-resume FAQ

## Why?

To improve app compatibility in multi-window modes on large-screen devices.

## How does the system manage resources?

Based on the z-order, higher priority is given to activities that the user interacted with last.

## What if several apps try to use camera simultaneously?

Apps should handle a camera loss event and unavailable state gracefully.

## What if an app *really* needs to know that it's the topmost in the system?

1. Let us know about the use case.
2. `Activity#onTopResumedActivityChanged(boolean onTop)`

## How is “top-resumed” different from “focused”?

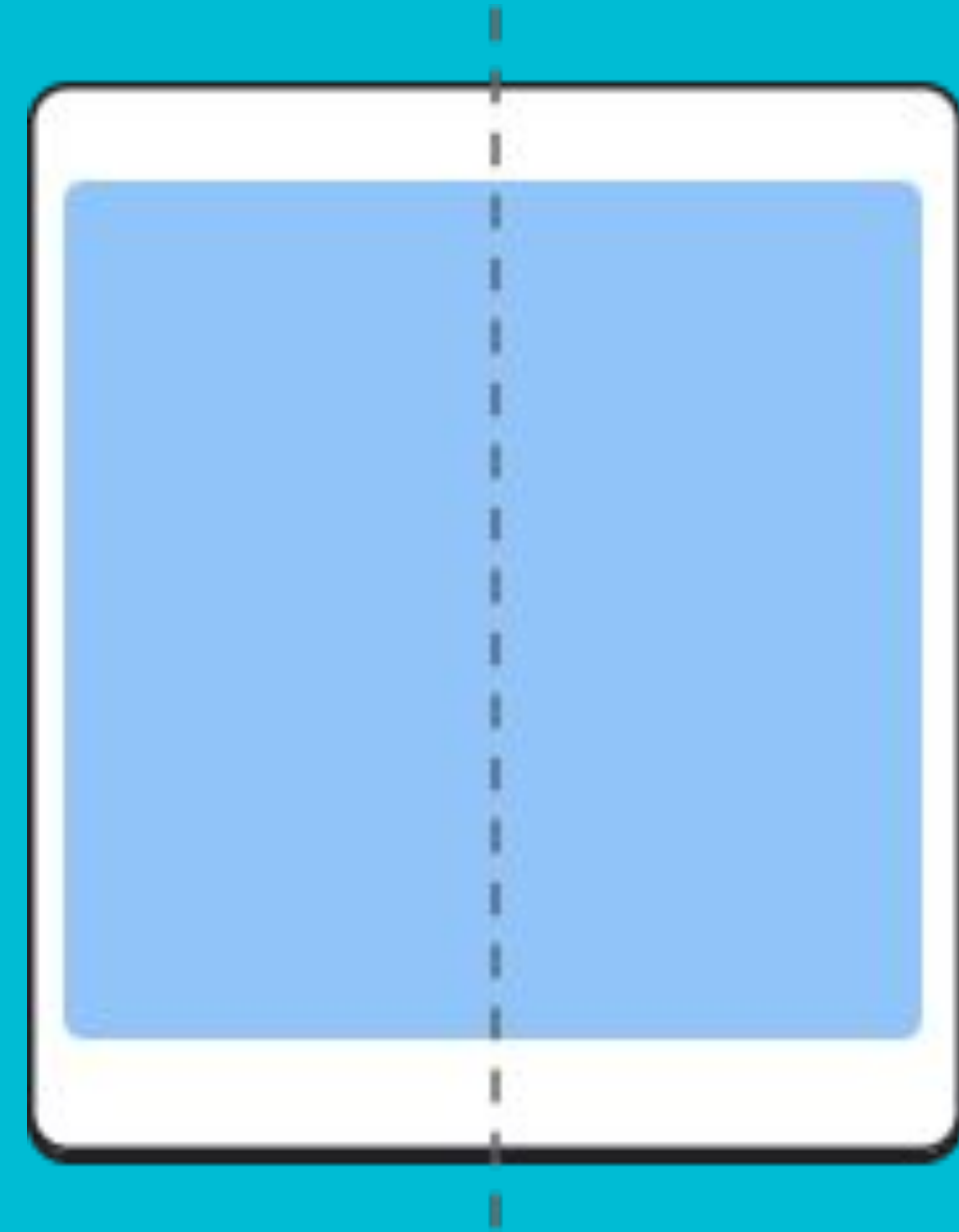
An activity can be top-resumed, but not have focus. For example, if the notification shade is expanded.

# Support for 1:1

**New in Q:** Aspect ratios down to 1:1 are allowed

**New minAspectRatio** attribute lets the app declare the minimum aspect ratio it supports

Support for **orientation-locked** devices





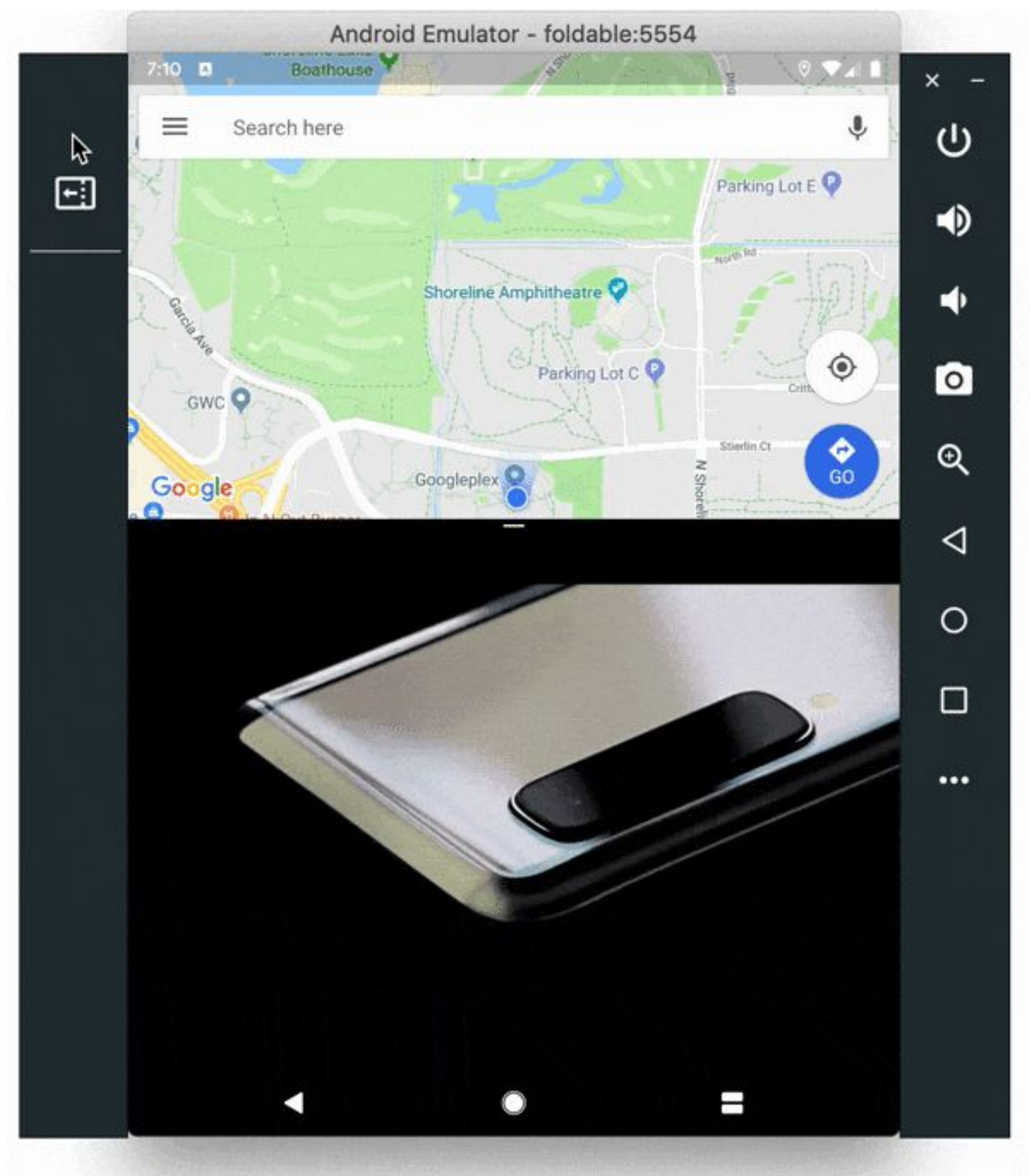
# Foldable emulator

**New in Q:** The AOSP emulator supports emulation of folding devices

Allows developers to **test their apps** in folding scenarios

Lower barrier for app developments

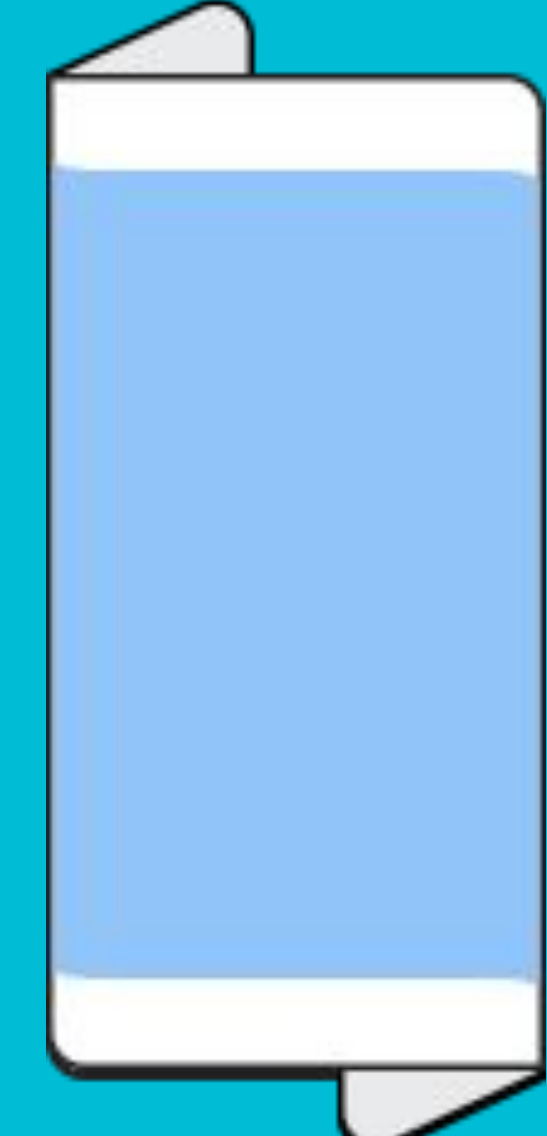
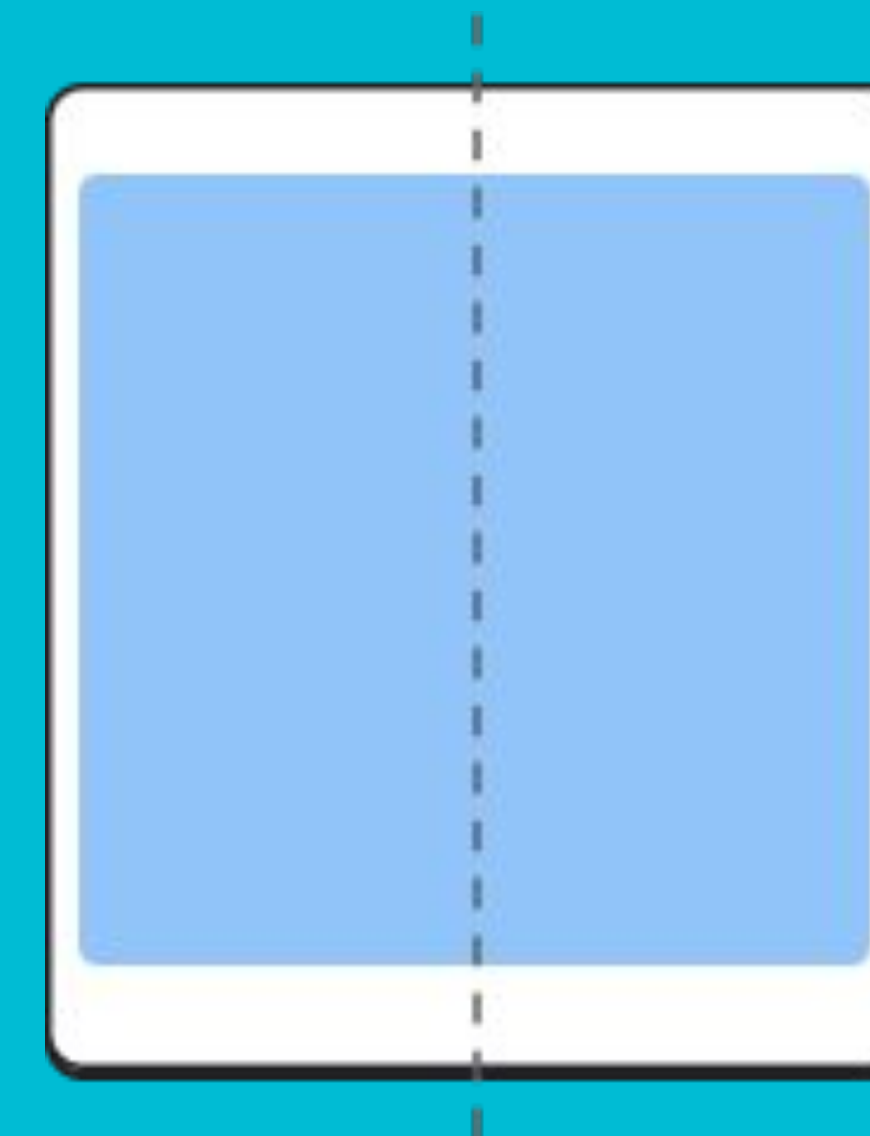
Vanilla Android without special modes and focusing generic app logics



# UX guidelines

**New in Q:** Our UX team is developing guidelines for the best experience on foldable devices

Reach out if you're planning a foldable device!





# Tl;dr

## Summary

Android now with multi-display and foldables!

## Next steps

Let us know what you'd like to see in R!

If you're planning to build a foldable or multi-display device, please work with us!

THANK YOU