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More details can be found at http://pdk.android.com/online-pdk/guide/build_system.html

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PRODUCT * variable

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variables controls what is included into the Android platform build.

PRODUCT *

defines list of packages to be included into the build.

PRODUCT PACKAGES

this variable contains the list files (non executable & non library) which shall be the part of the platform build. Usually it is various settings files, bootstrap files or multimedia files.

PRODUCT COPY FILES

Android.mk structure

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There is a separate Android.mk for every module in the Android framework.

Android.mk files are searched and included by build system.

Typically Android.mk start with (sets current dir and clears all other LOCAL_* variables and make them having default values)

LOCAL_PATH := \$(call my-dir) include \$(CLEAR_VARS)

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Set required LOCAL_ variables:

list of files to be included into the build

 the module name (as it will appear in the final output, should be unique through the Android.mk files)

additional folders to search for the header files.

 names of the libraries to be statically linked with the current module

■ list the shared libraries to be used by your module when running

 the types of the builds into which this module to be included (eng, development, release)

additional flags to be passed to C/C++ compiler

list JAVA libraries your module is using.

name of the application (for \$(BUILD_PACKAGE) target)

• certificate name to be used for signing the application.

<u>Android helper targets – build targets</u>

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- Various targets are defined by Android to build Android Linux executable, shared dynamic library, static library, java library, Android application and etc.
- The targets are a set of required Makefile instructions based on values of LOCAL_* variables.
- You can make use of a target using

```
include $(BUILD_TARGET_NAME)
```

Before start setting LOCAL_* variables you need to clear them from previous makefile. Use include \$(CLEAR_VARS). This will clear all LOCAL_* variables. This command doesn't affect any of the TARGET_* or PRODUCT_* variables.

builds Android APK package.

```
$(BUILD_PACKAGE)
```

builds JAVA library.

```
$(BUILD_JAVA_LIBRARY)
```

builds native shared library.

```
$(BUILD_SHARED_LIBRARY)
```

builds native static library.

```
$(BUILD_STATIC_LIBRARY)
```

builds native executable.

```
$(BUILD_EXECUTABLE)
```

includes an application package without source codes into the platform output.

```
$(BUILD_PREBUILT)
```

 builds documentation for the JAVA library and includes it into SDK distribution.

```
$(BUILD_DROIDDOC)
```

builds keymap from the keymap sources.

```
$(BUILD_KEY_CHAR_MAP)
```

 various targets to build various types of the Host executables or libraries.

Android helper targets

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returns current dir name in which you Makefile is located.

 finds all JAVA files available in the folder <src> and all its subfolders. Usually used to form LOCAL_SRC_FILES variable – as it defines the files to be included into the build

```
$(call all-java-files-under, <src>)
```

the same as previous but finds c files.

```
$(call all-c-files-under, <src>)
```

the same as previous but it finds *.aidl files to be passed to AIDL tool.

```
$(call all-Iaidl-files-under, <src>)
```

finds all makefiles available under the <folder>

```
$(call all-makefiles-under, <folder>)
```

finds the folder where the build output will be stored

```
$(call intermediates-dir-for, <class>,
<app_name>, <host or target>, <common?> )
```

Many other target available. Check them in build/core/definitions.mk file.

Example Android.mk file

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```
LOCAL_PATH:= $(call my-dir)
include $(CLEAR VARS)
LOCAL SRC FILES:= \
LOCAL_CFLAGS:= -DLOG_TAG=\"SurfaceFlinger\"
LOCAL_CFLAGS += -DGL_GLEXT_PROTOTYPES
-DEGL_EGLEXT_PROTOTYPES
ifeq T$(TARGET BOARD PLATFORM), msm7k)
 LOCAL CFLAGS = -DDTM WITH TEXTURE
Endif
# need "-lrt" on Linux simulator to pick up
clock_gettime
ifeq ($(TARGET_SIMULATOR),true)
  ifeq ($(HOST_OS),linux)
  LOCAL LDLIBS += -lrt -lpthread
 endif
Endif
LOCAL SHARED LIBRARIES := \
 libcutils \
 libpixelflinger \
 libhardware \
 libutils \
 libskia \
 libEGL \
 libGLESv1_CM \
 libbinder<sup>-</sup>
 libui
LOCAL_C_INCLUDES := \
    $(call_include-path-for, corecg graphics)
```

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```
LOCAL C_INCLUDES += hardware/libhardware/modules
/gralToc
```

LOCAL_MODULE:= libsurfaceflinger
include \$(BUILD_SHARED_LIBRARY)

TARGET_* - those variables control low level Android build. Controls platform HW features, HAL modules configurations and how the final image is produced

PRODUCT_* - variables containing information on how Android platform source shall be built and what to be included into Android System and RamDisk images. Controls what applications to be included into the distribution, what preloaded files to be the part of the build and etc.

LOCAL_* - various variables used widely across Android.mk file which are defining various features local to the current Android.mk file ALL_* - internal variable which are produced out of the above 3 types

Android Build System Search Rules

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BoardConfig.mk & AndroidBoard.mk are looked in the source tree by the following rule:

```
vendor/*/$(TARGET DEVICE)/BoardConfig.mk
```

TARGET_DEVICE – is your device name specified in choosecombo Android.mk files are searched on the first 2 levels of hierarchy. If you need to include Android.mk in the lower level – put Android.mk file in the 2nd level of hierarchy and place

include \$(call all-subdir-makefiles)

Android main build flow

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The main file from where build starts

build/core/main.mk

If you use your own makefile – build/core/main.mk must be included into your file

Build/core/main.mk specifies common Android source files set and required libraries

It searches for BoardConfig.mk and AndroidBoard.mk files and includes them into the build
It searches for all Android.mk files available on the 1st and 2nd level of Android platform source tree
It includes all Android.mk files into the build
Start executing the builds.

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