

Assignment 1: ADB Connection & Shell Access

Objective

To understand how Android Debug Bridge (ADB) works and how to interact with an Android device/emulator using shell commands.

Tools Used

- Android Device / Emulator (Genymotion)
- ADB (Android Debug Bridge)
- Kali Linux (Linux System)

Tasks Performed

1. Enabled **Developer Options** on the Android device.
2. Enabled **USB Debugging**.
3. Connected the Android emulator (Genymotion) to the Kali Linux system.
4. Verified device connection using ADB.
5. Obtained ADB shell access.
6. Executed basic Linux commands inside the shell.

Steps:

Step 1: Enable Developer Options

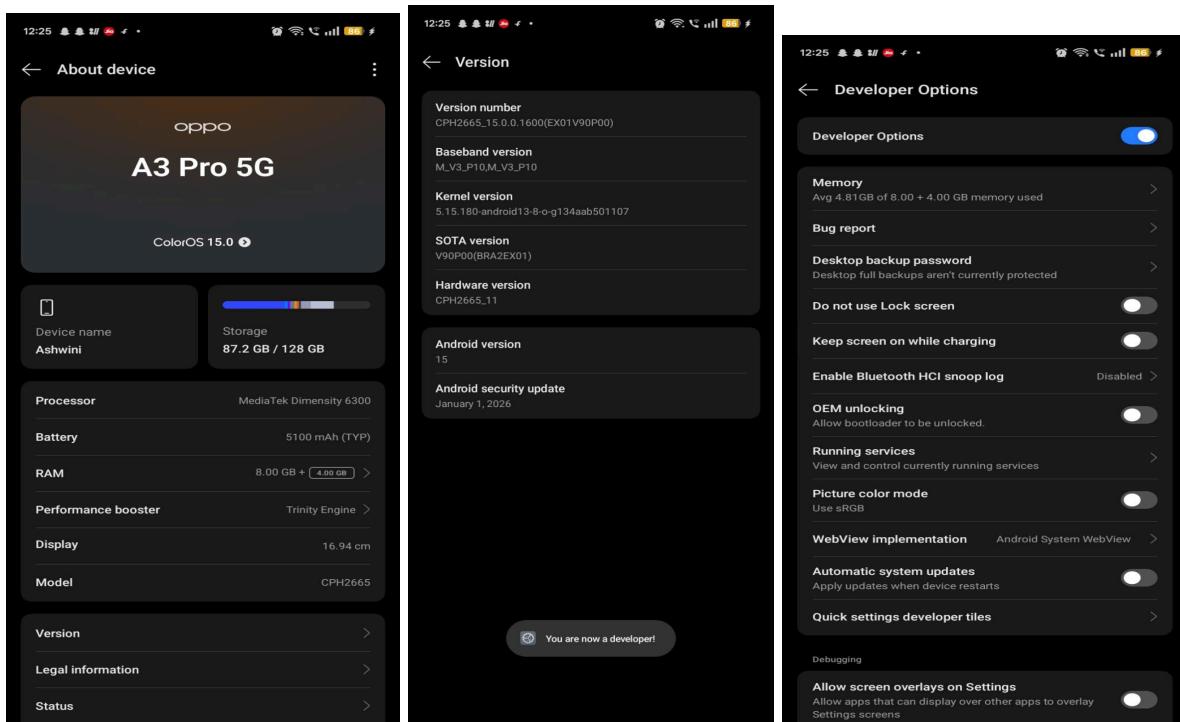
Open **Settings** on the Android device/emulator.

Go to **About Device / About Phone**.

Locate **Build Number / Version**.

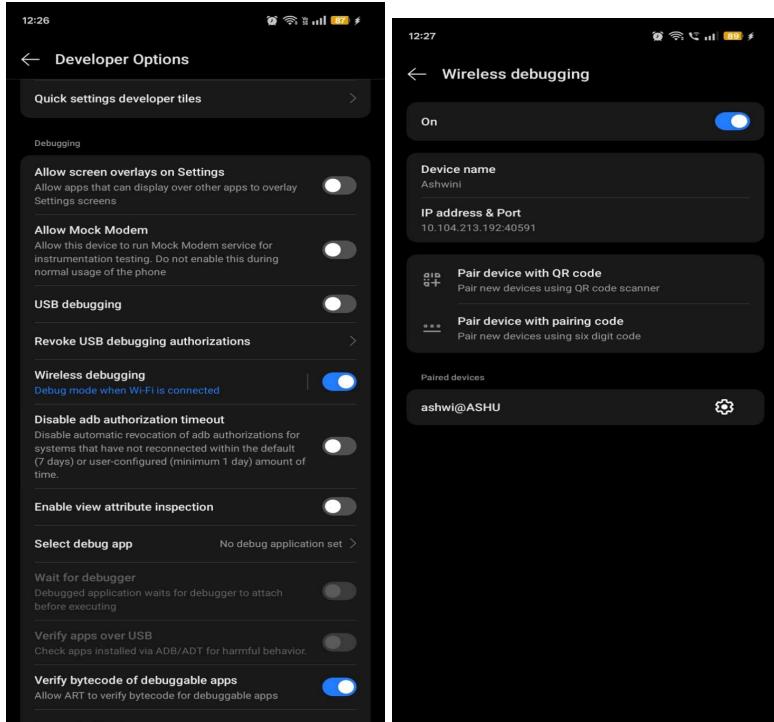
Tap on it **5 times continuously** until the message “*You are now a developer*” appears.

Developer Options will now be enabled.



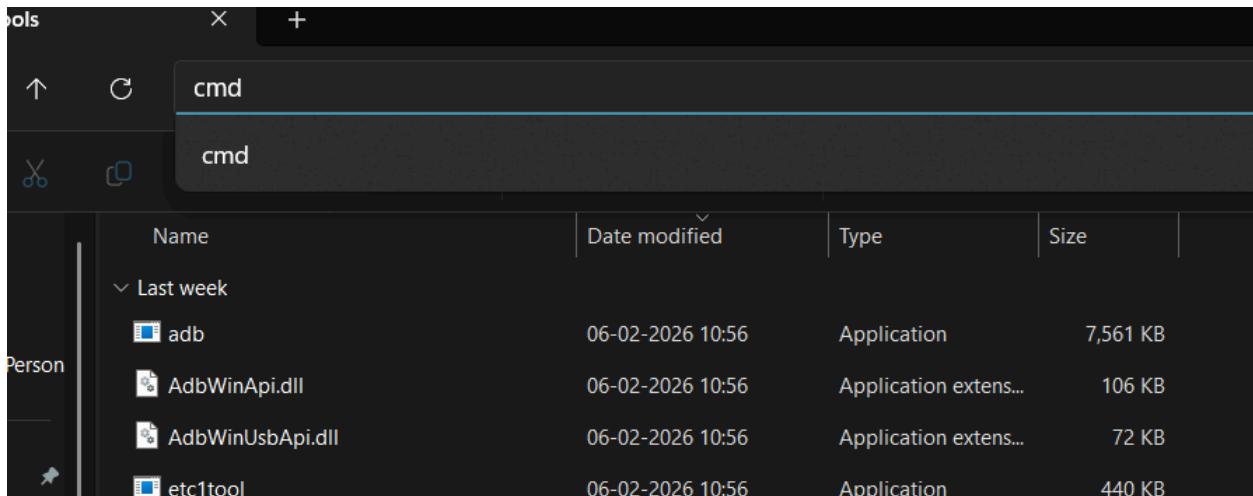
Step 2: Enable Wireless Debugging

- Go to **Settings → Developer Options**.
- Enable **Wireless Debugging**.
- Open **Wireless Debugging** and select **Pair device with pairing code**.
- Note down the following details shown on the screen:
 - **IP Address**
 - **Port Number**
 - **Pairing Code**



Step 3: Open ADB Platform Tools

- Open the folder where **ADB (platform-tools)** is installed.
- Click on the **address bar**, type **cmd**, and press **Enter**.
- Command Prompt will open in the ADB directory.



Step 4: Pair ADB with Android Device

Run the following command in CMD:

Command: adb pair ip:port

```
C:\Users\ashwi\Downloads\platform-tools-latest-windows\platform-tools>adb pair 10.104.213.192:45115
Enter pairing code: 696716
Successfully paired to 10.104.213.192:45115 [guid=adb-KVYHA6S8EAEEAASS-rXD796]
```

Enter the **pairing code** when prompted.

Message “**Successfully paired**” will be displayed.

Step 5: Verify Device Connection

- Check whether the device is connected using:

```
C:\Users\ashwi\Downloads\platform-tools-latest-windows\platform-tools>adb devices
List of devices attached
adb-KVYHA6S8EAEEAASS-rXD796 .adb-tls-connect._tcp      device
```

the device name or IP address will appear in the list, confirming a successful connection.

Step 6: Access ADB Shell

- Enter the Android shell using:

```
C:\Users\ashwi\Downloads\platform-tools-latest-windows\platform-tools>adb shell
OP5B05L1:/ $ ls
acct      config      etc          mnt      my_manifest  odm      sdcard      system_dlkm
apex      d           init         my_bigball my_preload   odm_dlkm second_stage_resources system_ext
bin       data         init.environ.rc my_carrier  my_product  oem      special_reload   tmp
bootstrap-apex data_mirror  init.environ.rc.patch my_company my_region  postinstall storage vendor
bugreports debug_ramdisk linkerconfig  my_engineering my_reserve  proc      sys      vendor_dlkm
cache     dev          metadata    my_heytap   my_stock   product  system
OP5B05L1:/ $ |
```

You are now inside the Android device shell environment.

Step 7: Execute Shell Commands

Run the following commands inside the ADB shell:

```
/system/bin/sh: sdcard: inaccessible or not found  
127|OP5B05L1:/ $ cd sdcard
```

→ Displays the current user (usually shell)

```
OP5B05L1:/ $ pwd  
/
```

→ Shows the present working directory

Showing ip address of our device:

```
OP5B05L1:/ $ ifconfig  
lo      Link encap:UNSPEC  
        inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0  
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope: Host  
            UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1  
            RX packets:33081 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0  
            TX packets:33081 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0  
            collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000  
            RX bytes:4927839 TX bytes:4927839  
  
dummy0   Link encap:UNSPEC  
        inet6 addr: fe80::34c2:78ff:fec9:61cc/64 Scope: Link  
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING NOARP MTU:1500 Metric:1  
          RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0  
          TX packets:49378 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0  
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000  
          RX bytes:0 TX bytes:7698805  
  
ifb0     Link encap:UNSPEC  
        inet6 addr: fe80::d8c3:b8ff:fe69:2b1a/64 Scope: Link  
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING NOARP MTU:1500 Metric:1  
          RX packets:51324 errors:0 dropped:49332 overruns:0 frame:0  
          TX packets:1992 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0  
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000  
          RX bytes:9959865 TX bytes:2269885  
  
ifb1     Link encap:UNSPEC  
        inet6 addr: fe80::cce3:b8ff:fe84:8a80/64 Scope: Link  
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING NOARP MTU:1500 Metric:1  
          RX packets:54890 errors:0 dropped:48976 overruns:0 frame:0  
          TX packets:5914 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0  
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000  
          RX bytes:14649681 TX bytes:6990085
```

For showing ps-A

USER	PID	PPID	VSZ	RSS	WCHAN	ADDR	S	NAME
root	1	0	2329872	8088	0	0	S	init
root	2	0	0	0	0	0	S	[kthreadd]
root	3	2	0	0	0	0	I	[rcu_gp]
root	4	2	0	0	0	0	I	[slub_flushwq]
root	5	2	0	0	0	0	I	[netns]
root	9	2	0	0	0	0	I	[mm_prcpu_wq]
root	11	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcu_tasks_kthread]
root	12	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcu_tasks_trace_kthread]
root	13	2	0	0	0	0	S	[ksoftirqd/0]
root	14	2	0	0	0	0	I	[rcu_preempt]
root	15	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcub/0]
root	16	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcuc/0]
root	17	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcu_exp_gp_kthread_worker]
root	18	2	0	0	0	0	S	[rcu_exp_par_gp_kthread_worker]
root	19	2	0	0	0	0	S	[migration/0]
root	20	2	0	0	0	0	S	[idle_inject/0]
root	22	2	0	0	0	0	S	[cpuhp/0]
root	23	2	0	0	0	0	S	[cpuhp/1]
root	24	2	0	0	0	0	S	[idle_inject/1]
root	25	2	0	0	0	0	S	[migration/1]
root	26	2	0	0	0	0	I	[rcuc/1]
root	27	2	0	0	0	0	S	[ksoftirqd/1]
root	30	2	0	0	0	0	S	[cpuhp/2]
root	31	2	0	0	0	0	S	[idle_inject/2]
root	32	2	0	0	0	0	S	[migration/2]
root	33	2	0	0	0	0	S	[ksoftirqd/2]
root	34	2	0	0	0	0	S	[cpuhp/3]
root	37	2	0	0	0	0	S	[idle_inject/3]
root	38	2	0	0	0	0	S	[migration/3]
root	39	2	0	0	0	0	I	[rcuc/3]
root	40	2	0	0	0	0	S	[ksoftirqd/3]
root	41	2	0	0	0	0	S	[cpuhp/4]
root	44	2	0	0	0	0	S	[idle_inject/4]
root	45	2	0	0	0	0	S	[migration/4]

What is ADB?

ADB (Android Debug Bridge) is a command-line tool that allows communication between a computer and an Android device/emulator for debugging, testing, and analysis.

Purpose of Shell Access:

ADB shell provides direct command-line access to the Android operating system, enabling users to explore files, processes, permissions, and system behavior.

Conclusion:

The Android device was successfully paired using **ADB Wireless Debugging**, and shell access was obtained to execute basic Linux commands.