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Getting started guide



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1. Introduction

1.1. ABSTRACT

This document provides a short guide for setting up the development environment to start working with a **SpringCard USB PC/SC Coupler** under Android using the **open source SpringCardPCSC library for Android**.

Furthermore, tips and hints are provided to re-compile the test project and integrate the library to your own project.

1.2. SUPPORTED PRODUCTS

At the time of writing, this document refers to all **SpringCard USB PC/SC Couplers** in the CSB6, H663 and H512 groups.

1.3. AUDIENCE

This manual is designed for use by application developers. It assumes that the reader has expert knowledge of Android development and a basic knowledge of PC/SC and/or of the ISO 7816-4 standard for smartcards.

1.4. USEFUL LINKS

- PC/SC workgroup: http://www.pcscworkgroup.com
- USB CCID specification: http://www.usb.org/developers/docs/devclass_docs/DWG_Smart-card_CCID_Rev110.pdf



1.5. SUPPORT AND UPDATES

Useful related materials (product datasheets, application notes, sample software, HOWTOs and FAQs...) are available at SpringCard's web site:

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2. THE DEMO APPLICATION

2.1. REQUIREMENTS

- SpringCard Prox'N'Roll HSP card reader:



- Micro USB B/Male to USB2.0 A/Female adapter or Micro USB Host OTG Y-Cable with Power (depending on your Android device's type):







- Android 5.1 device with usb-host capability (Tested on Google Nexus 7/2012 and Nexus 9).
- SpringCard Android USB PCSC Service

2.2. Installing the SpringCard USB PCSC Service for Android from Google Play Store

Simply use the following link from your Android device (or on your computer using the same Google account):

http://market.android.com/details?id=com.springcard.springcardpcscdemo

2.3. Installing the SpringCard Android USB PCSC demo application from Google Play Store

Simply use the following link from your Android device (or on your computer using the same Google account):

http://market.android.com/details?id=com.springcard.android_usb_pcsc.service



2.4. Connecting a SpringCard USB PC/SC coupler to your Android Device

2.4.1. Case A: reader is powered by the Android device

Ensure your Android device has enough battery to power the reader.

Connect your reader using a Micro USB B/Male to USB2.0 A/Female adapter:



- (1) Android device
- (2) USB device (Prox'N'Roll HSP)

Connected reader will start blinking and the Android system will ask you which application to use to handle this reader. Select "SpringCard USB PCSC Service" and option "Always". Once done, the reader should start blinking in blue.

No light at all on the reader:

- your reader is not correctly connected
- your Android device is not USB-Host compliant

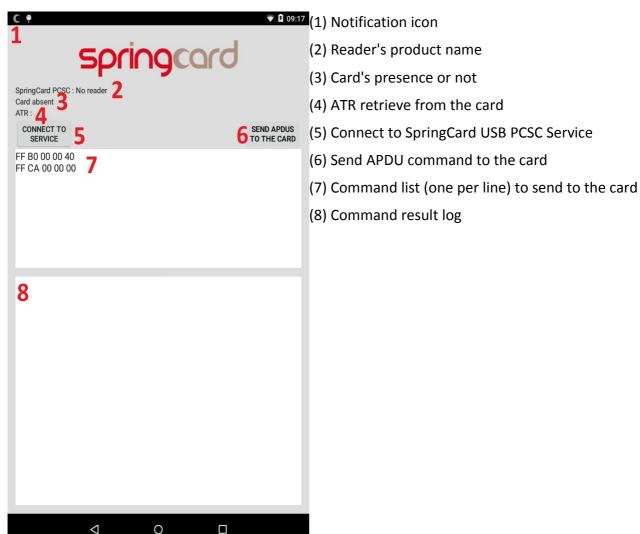
2.4.2. Case B: Android device support battery charging in usb-host mode



- (1) Android device
- (2) USB device (Prox'N'Roll HSP)
- (3) standard power supply



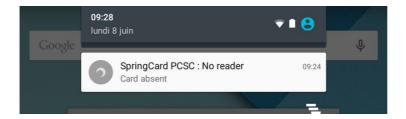
2.5. THE APPLICATION'S SCREEN



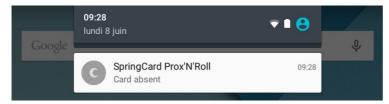


2.6. Working with contactless cards

Reader's state is visible on the notification bar:

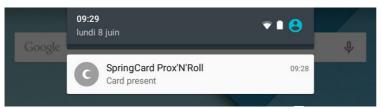


Connect a compliant reader and the product's name should appear on the notification bar:



Place a "compliant" card on the reader. The reader should be in continuous green light state while the card remains on it.

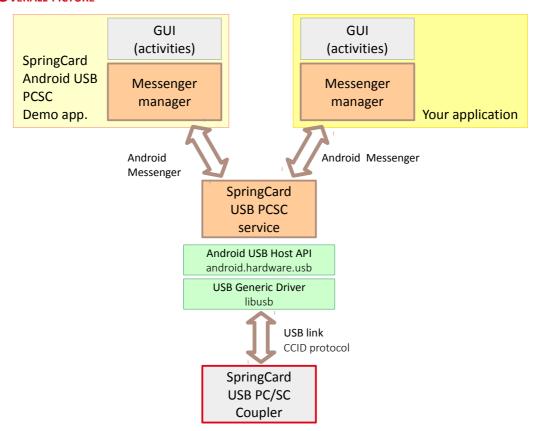
Card presence indication could be seen in the notification bar:





3. Architecture of SpringCard USB PCSC for Android

3.1. OVERALL PICTURE



3.2. THE SPRINGCARD ANDROID USB PCSC SERVICE FOR ANDROID

- Is responsible of the USB communication between an Android device and SpringCard's PCSC compliant readers.
- Contains a list of compliant readers and will ask the user for relevant access rights.
- Has full access to those readers.

3.3. THE SPRINGCARD ANDROID USB PCSC LIBRARY FOR ANDROID

Communicate with the running service using Android's Messenger system only.



4. REBUILDING THE DEMO APPLICATION IN ANDROID STUDIO

4.1. REQUIREMENTS

Nothing is needed to build the demo application but your must have the SpringCard Android USB PCSC service setup on your Android device to use it.

Download and install Android Studio on your computer: https://developer.android.com/sdk/

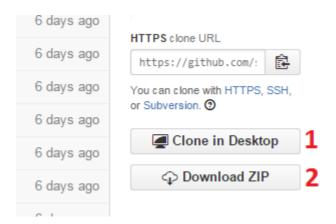
4.2. Retrieving the project from Git Hub

Method 1:

- Download and setup Git Hub Windows software on your computer (https://windows.github.com/).
- Clone https://github.com/springcard/springcard.pcsc-android.sdk.git

Method 2:

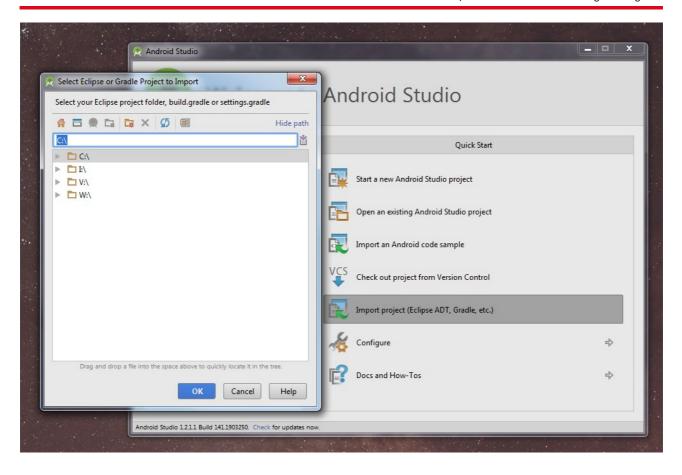
Download current version archive from git hub and extract the content on your computer: https://github.com/springcard/springcard.pcsc-android.sdk/archive/master.zip



4.3. IMPORTING THE PROJECT IN ANDROID STUDIO

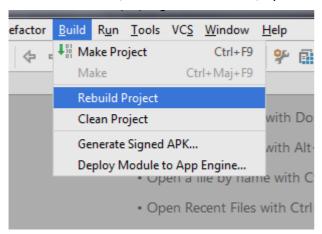
Launch Android Studio and import the project (select the folder where you have extracted the archive):





4.4. Compiling the project

In Android Studio, select menu "Build", option "Rebuild Project":





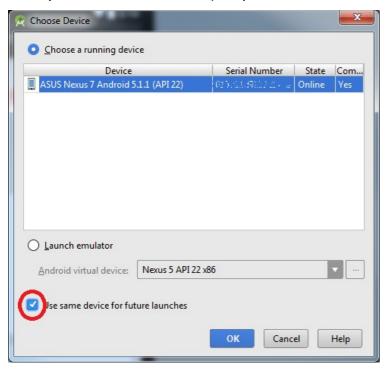
4.5. RUNNING THE PROJECT

Connect a compliant Android device to your computer (using an USB wire or using Wireless network). Your device must be in Developer mode.

Push the "run" button in Android studio:



Select your device from the list (an option is available to remember your choice):





5. Development of a new application using SpringCard USB PCSC

5.1. Abstract

The example application shows how to communicate with SpringCard Android USB PCSC service. SpringCard Android USB PCSC service ask for USB device access so client application doesn't need to use USB feature in the Manifest.xml file.

Client application must bind to the service before starting communication with it. Bind is done using an Intent to the service package name.

Once bound, client application could send queries and receive response (or event) from the service using Android's Messenger.

Multiple application could bind the service but only the last one (Active one) will receive event from it.

5.2. IMPORTING THE LIBRARY SOURCE CODE INTO YOUR PROJECT

All communications between Client and Service are done using Messenger. Client library simply consist of a static class for constant declaration and a service discovery function:



```
public static final int
                                      CMD SEND APDU
                                                                   = 3;
                                      CMD_RECV RAPDU
public static final int
                                                                   = 4;
public static final int
                                      CMD READER FREE
                                                                   = 5;
/* error list */
public static final int
                                      ERROR NO ERROR
                                                                   = 10;
public static final int
                                                                   = 11;
                                      ERROR NO READER
public static final int
                                      ERROR WRONG APDU LENGTH
                                                                   = 12;
public static final int
                                      ERROR INVALID APDU
                                                                   = 13;
public static final int
                                      ERROR CARD COMMUNICATION
                                                                   = 14;
/* check if service is available on this device */
public static boolean isPackageInstalled(Context context) {
 PackageManager pm = context.getPackageManager();
  pm.getPackageInfo(packageName, PackageManager.GET ACTIVITIES);
   return true;
 } catch (PackageManager.NameNotFoundException e) {
   return false;
}
```

5.3. CHECK IF THE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE

This function check if the required service package is present on this system.

```
SpringCardPCSCCli.isPackageInstalled(Context context)
```

True is service is present, false otherwise.

5.4. BINDING THE SERVICES

Please note that client application loose service binding when the main activity is destroyed. Client application must ensure that service is bound before sending queries to it.



```
/* bind to SpringCard Android USB PCSC service */
Intent intent = new Intent("com.springcard.android_usb_pcsc.service");
intent.setPackage("com.springcard.android_usb_pcsc.service");
bindService(intent, saupConnection, Context.BIND_AUTO_CREATE);
saupConnection is a ServiceConnection object and will receive bind/unbind indications.
```

5.5. Enumerating the coupler

Response is automatically sent by the service on status change (only if binding is done and valid). Ask the service to give coupler's informations:

```
/*************************
/* ask for reader information */
Message msg = Message.obtain();
Bundle bundle = new Bundle();
bundle.putInt("command", SpringCardPCSCCli.CMD_READER_STATE);
msg.setData(bundle);
msg.replyTo = localMessenger;
try {
    saupService.send(msg);
} catch (RemoteException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

Response Messenger's bundle when a compliant coupler is present:

- error: ERROR_NO_ERROR

- reader: Product's name

- maxSlot: Number of slots available in this product

Response Messenger's bundle when there is no compliant coupler present:

- error: ERROR NO READER



- reader: "SpringCard PCSC: No reader"

- maxSlot: 0

5.6. QUERYING THE STATUS OF A COUPLER

Response is automatically sent by the service on status change (only if binding is done and valid). Ask the service to give card informations:

```
/**********************
/* ask for card status */
msg = Message.obtain();
bundle = new Bundle();
bundle.putInt("command", SpringCardPCSCCli.CMD_CARD_STATE);
/* using slot 0 (others slots not used currently) */
bundle.putInt("slot", 0);
msg.setData(bundle);
msg.replyTo = localMessenger;
try {
    saupService.send(msg);
} catch (RemoteException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

Response Messenger's bundle when a card is present:

- error: ERROR_NO_ERROR

- reader: Product's name

- atr: "ATR: "+Card's ATR

- card: "Card present"

Response Messenger's bundle when there is no card present:

- error: ERROR_NO_ERROR

- reader: Product's name

- atr: "ATR:"

- card: "Card absent"



5.7. Connecting to a smartcard

SmartCard connection/disconnection is done automatically on APDUs exchanges.

5.8. Exchanging APDUs with the smartcard

Response is automatically sent by the service after APDU's execution.

```
/* Create a new command to the reader */
Message msg = Message.obtain();
Bundle bundle = new Bundle();
/* specify message type */
bundle.putInt("command", SpringCardPCSCCli.CMD SEND APDU);
/* apdu contains an apdu to execute on the card */
bundle.putString("apdu",anApdutoSend);
/* using slot 0 (others slots not used currently) */
bundle.putInt("slot", 0);
/* append data to message */
msg.setData(bundle);
/* specify caller (for callback) */
msq.replyTo = localMessenger;
try {
 saupService.send(msg);
} catch (RemoteException e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
```

Response Messenger's bundle when there is a valid APDU answer:

- error: ERROR_NO_ERROR

rapdu: Response APDU

Response Messenger's bundle when there is an error with an APDU:

- error: ERROR CARD COMMUNICATION



5.9. Releasing the smartcard and the coupler

Ask the reader to forgive our client application:

5.10. Multi-threading & Callbacks Considerations

Query and response are asynchronous. Some cards could take time to process an APDU.



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