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Lecture 016: **Java Bridge With App**

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LECTURE 016: Java Bridge With App Inventor







What is Java Bridge?

- The App Inventor Java Bridge is an exploratory (alpha) version of App Inventor that allows you to generate a Java equivalent of the apps you have built. The tool helps students who have learned coding in AI's visual blockbased paradigm to transition to coding in a textual programming language.
- Besides the educational benefits, the tool also allows for hybrid development whereby the visual blocks language is used to create a portion of the app, and Java is used to add functionality that is difficult to develop in AI.

http://www.appinventor.org/jbridge







Java Bridge Library

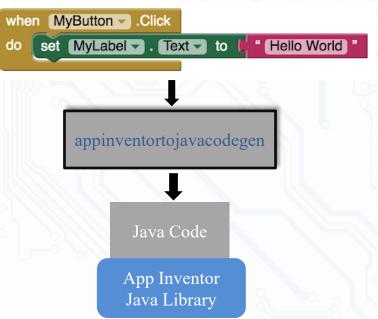
http://www.appinventor.org/javaBridge/downloads/AppInventor-JavaLibrary.jar

- It's java code library for building app component
- High level –built on top of Android SDK
- A java class for every component with the same app inventor methods/property names.

Java Code Generator

It takes your app inventor block structure and converts it into java code

http://www.appinventortojava.com/?locale=en









- At first we design the basic overview of the app using app inventor.
- Then we generate the corresponding java code for the app using Java Code generator.
- We open the generated java code in android studio and continue to work on it using java.







Basic Overlay Using App Inventor









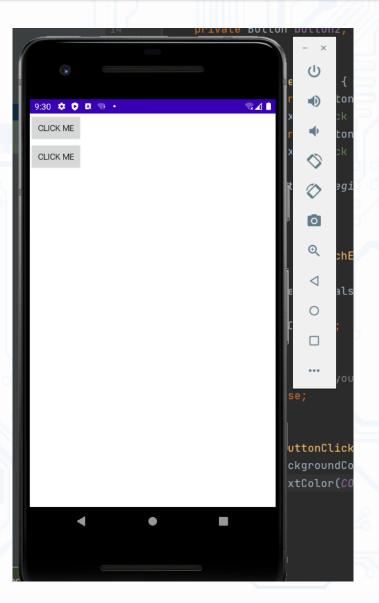
Open the Project in Android Studio

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👅 File Edit View Navigate Code Analyze Refactor Build Run Jools VCS Window Help Zombie App - MainActivity.java (Zombie App.app)
                                                                                   public void $define() {
Gradle Scripts
                                                                                    public boolean dispatchEvent(Component component, String componentName, String eventName, Object[] params )
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Added Some Design Using Java Code





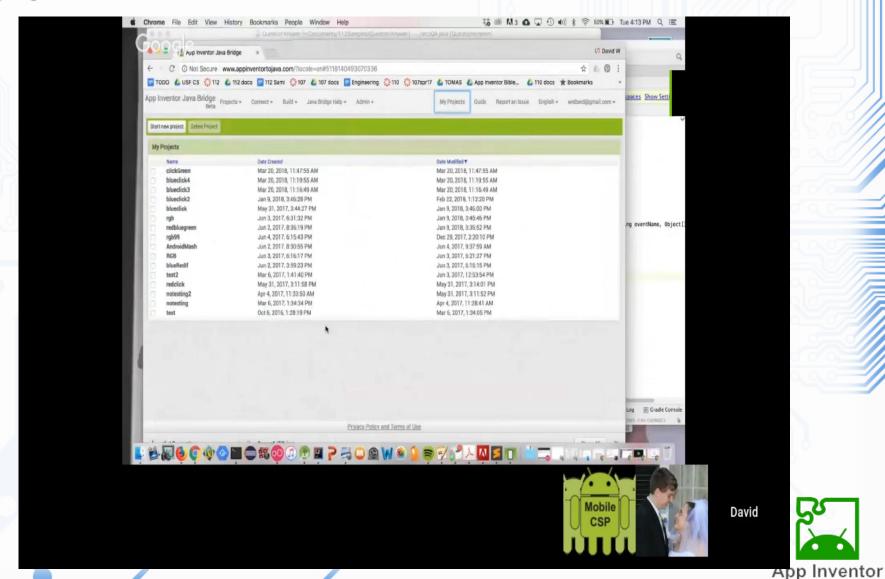


App Demo









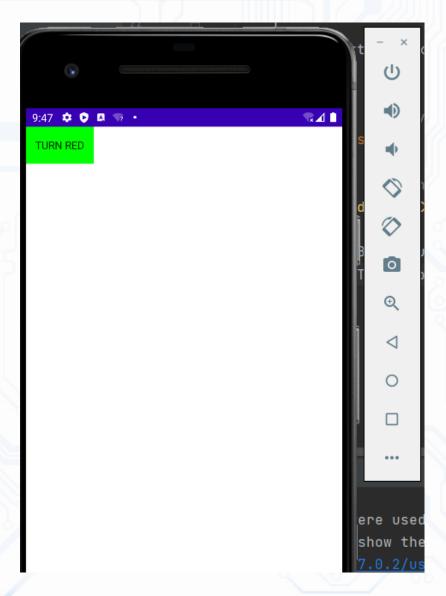


- Create a New Android Application Project.
- Then Import the Java bridge library into the project.
- Write the Java Code for the app.
- Modify the manifest file.
- Run the project.





Design Layout





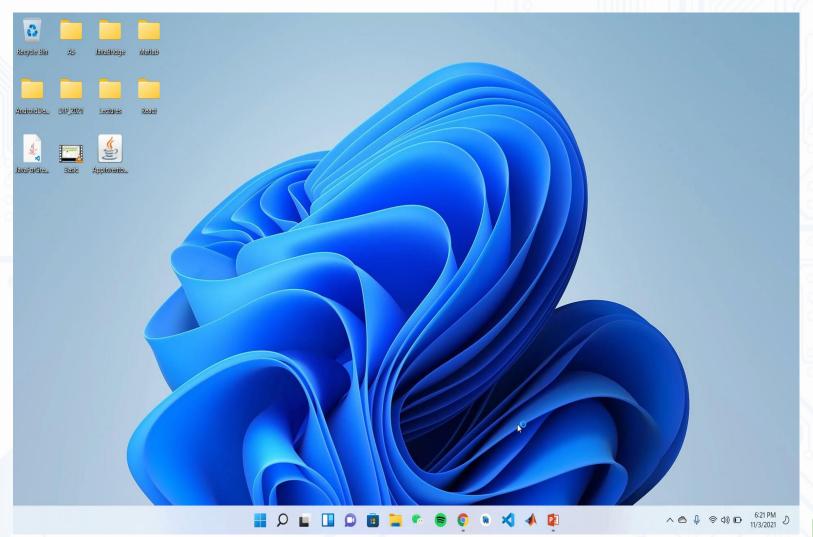


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App Inventor

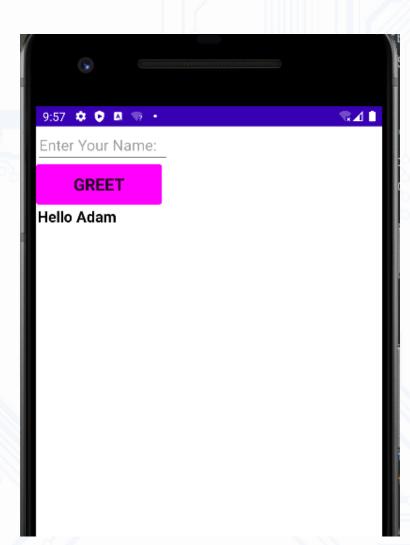


- Create a New Android Application Project.
- Then Import the Java bridge library into the project.
- Design the project
 - Create three component: TextBox, Label, and button.
 - Design them using appropriate style
 - Add the event click event handler in button.
 - On clickButton callback method, get the name from the TextBox and Show it in the Label.
- Run the project.





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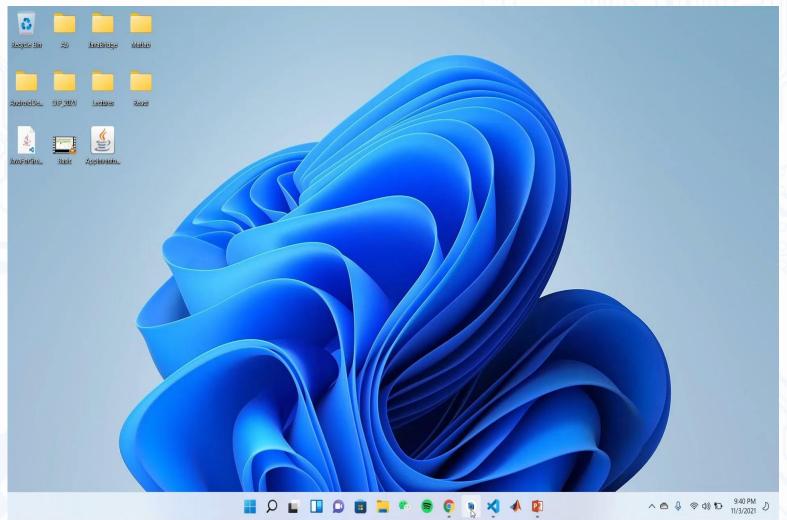


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"The beauty of research is that you never know where it's going to lead."

RICHARD ROBERTS Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1993