

→ what is android?

- a software platform and operating system for mobile devices.
- Based on: the Linux Kernel.
- Developed by: Google and open Handset Alliance (OHA).
- Allow writing managed Code in the Java language.

→ History of Android

2005 → Google buys android Inc.
→ work on Dalvik VM starts.

2007 → OHA Announced.
→ Early look SDK

2008 → T-Mobile G1 Announced.
→ SDK 1.0 Released
→ Android open Sourced.

→ Open Handset Alliance:-

- group of 47 tech. and mobile Companies have come together to accelerate innovation in mobile and offer consumers a richer, less expensive, and better mobile experience.

↳ developed Android™, the first, complete, open, free mobile platform.

→ platform:- Hardware

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- android isn't single piece of hardware it's a complete end-to-end software → that can be adapted to work on any number of hardware configurations.

→ Stack holders:-

- network operators want to lock down their networks, controlling and metering traffic
- Device manufacturers want to differentiate themselves with features, reliability, and price points.
- Software vendors want complete access to the hardware to deliver cutting-edge applications.

→ app. framework

accesses these core ~~libra~~ libraries through the Dalvik VM, the gateway to the android platform.

→ Some features:-

- view system:- used to build an app., including lists, grids, textboxes, buttons, and embedded web browser.
- Content provider:- Enabling apps to access data from other apps or to share their own data.
- Resource Manager:- providing access to non-code resources ex. (localized string, graphics, layout files)
- Notification Manager:- Enabling all apps to display customer alerts in the status bar.

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- Activity Manager :- Managing the lifecycle of apps and providing a common navigation back stack.

→ Android SW stack - Libraries

- Including a set of (C/C++) used by components of the Android system.

- Exposed to developers through the Android app framework

- based on packet video's / Open Core

- responsible for recording and playback of audio and video

→ Surface Manager :-

- access to the display system and supports 2D, 3D

→ WebKit →

- responsible for browser support, it is the library that support → Google Chrome, Apple Inc's Safari.

→ Free Type :-

- responsible for font support.

→ SQLite :-

- is relational db that is available on the device itself

- an independent open source effort for relational db and not directly tied to Android.

→ Core Libraries

- providing most of the functionality available in the core libraries of the java language

- APIs

- Data structures - Utilities - File Access -
- Network Access - Etc.

→ the Dalvik Virtual Machine

- is optimised for mobile app →

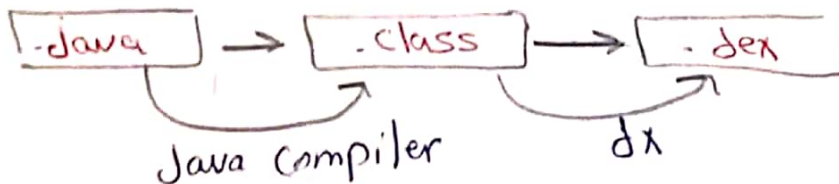
- 1- Run multiple VMs efficiently.
- 2- Each app has its own VM.
- 3- Minimal memory footprint.

→ Android S/W stack - Runtime

→ Dalvik VM

↳ executing the Dalvik executable (.dex) format.

- .dex format is optimized for minimal memory footprint
- Compilation



↳ Relying on the Linux kernel for:

- threading
- low-level memory management

→ Linux Kernel

→ Relying on Linux Kernel 2.6 for core system services

- memory and process Management.
- Network stack.
- Driver Model
- security.

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→ the supplied device drivers include Display, Camera, Keypool, wifi, flash memory, Audio, and IPC

(Interprocess Communication)

→ providing an abstraction layer between the H.w and the rest of the S.w stack.

→ platform

→ supports wireless communication using

- GSM mobile-phone tech.
- 3G.
- Edge
- 802.11 wifi networks.

→ SW Development

- Java
 - Android SDK
- } Requirements

- Android SDK. (tools)

- class library.

- Developer Tools.

- Emulator and system Images

- Documentation and sample Code.

- Eclipse IDE + ADT

- Reduce Development and testing time.

- Makes User Interface - Creation easier

- Makes app Description easier

→ Adv.

- available for windows, Mac, linux.
- built on java.
- you can release your own app on your own blog.

→ App Building Blocks.

- Activity.
- Intent Receiver.
- Service.
- Content provider.

1 → Activity

- typically correspond to one UI screen.
- But they can:
 - Be faceless.
 - Be in a floating window.
 - Return value.

1 → Intents

- a verb and object; a description of what you want done
- activity and Intent Receiver describe what Intents they can service.

2 Components m. أجزاء (أجزاء)

2 → Intent Receiver.

- Components that respond to broadcast 'Intents'
- way to respond to external notification or alarms.
- Apps can invent and broadcast their own Intent.

3 → Service

- Faceless components that run in the background.
ex. music player, network download, etc...

4 → Content providers

- enables sharing of data across apps → ex. address book - photo
- Provides uniform APIs for: → querying, delete, update, insert.
- is represented by URI and MIME type