

Android Programming Intro

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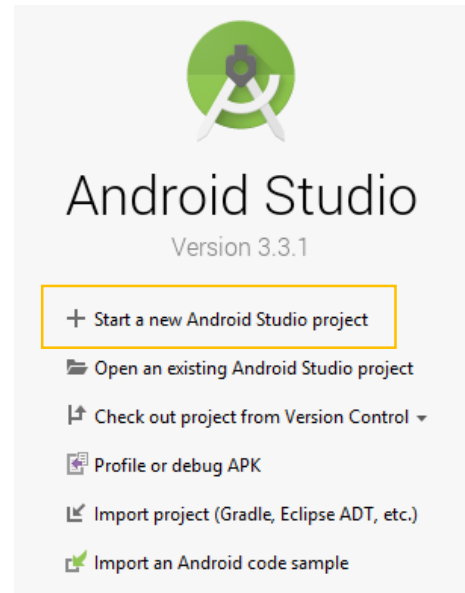
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What to do

- Follow the steps outlined in this guide.
- You will submit a screenshot of the completed app at the end of this lesson.

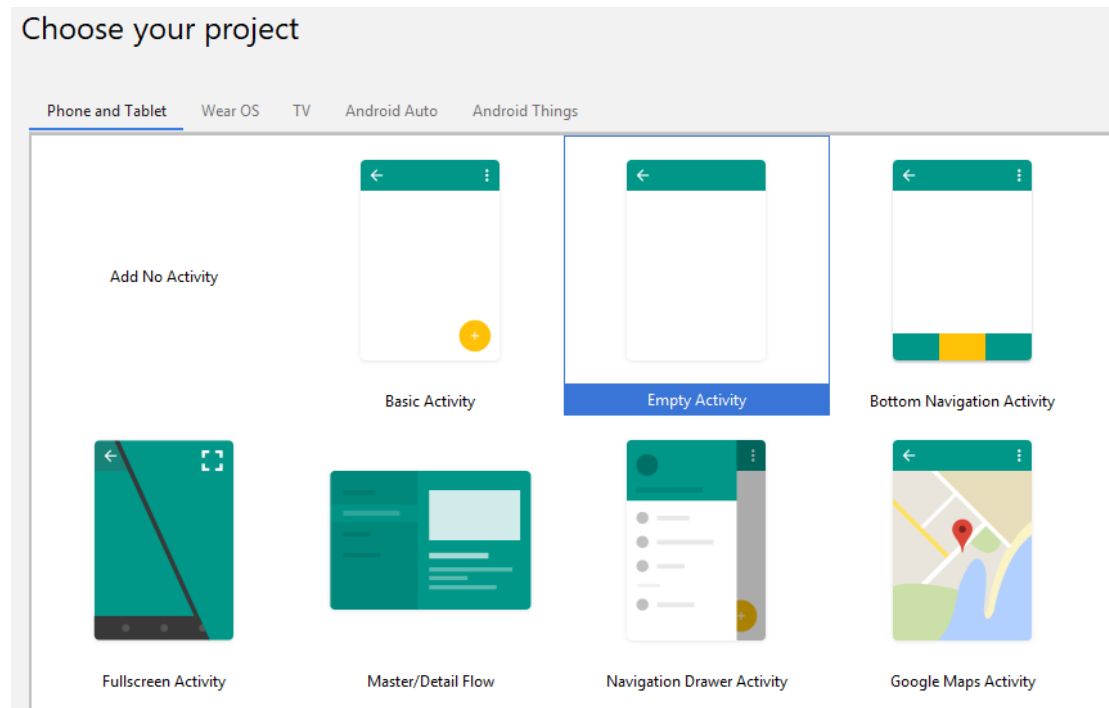
Create a new project in Android Studio

- Open Android Studio and start a new project.
 - If an existing project is already open, close it by...
 - Going to the **File** menu and selecting **Close Project**



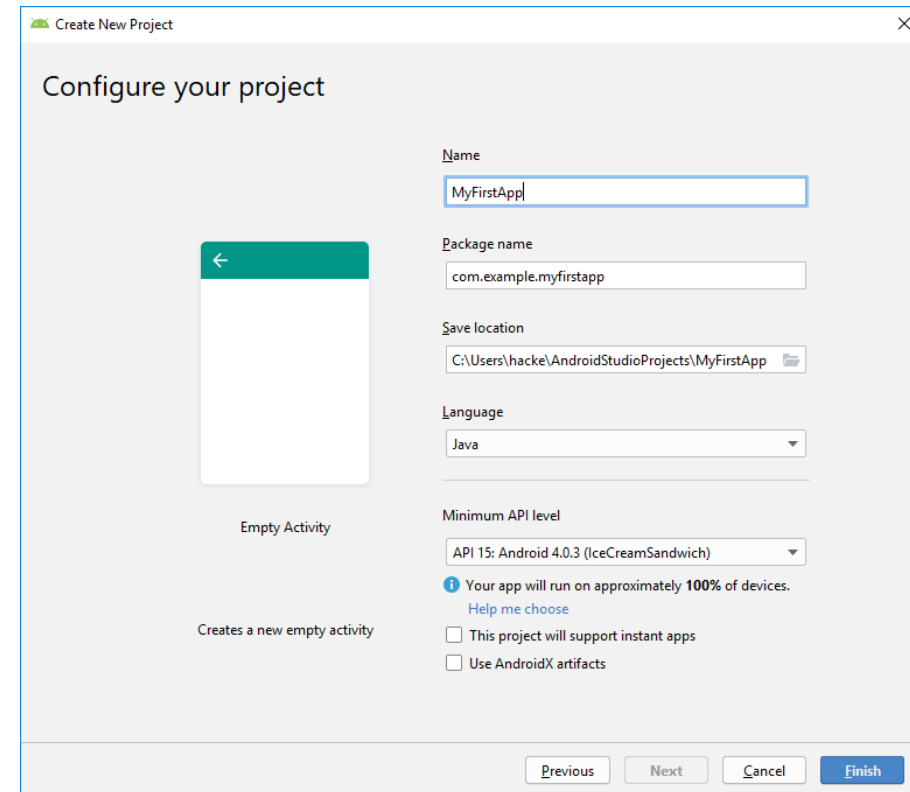
Create a new project in Android Studio

- Make sure **Empty Activity** is selected and click **Next**



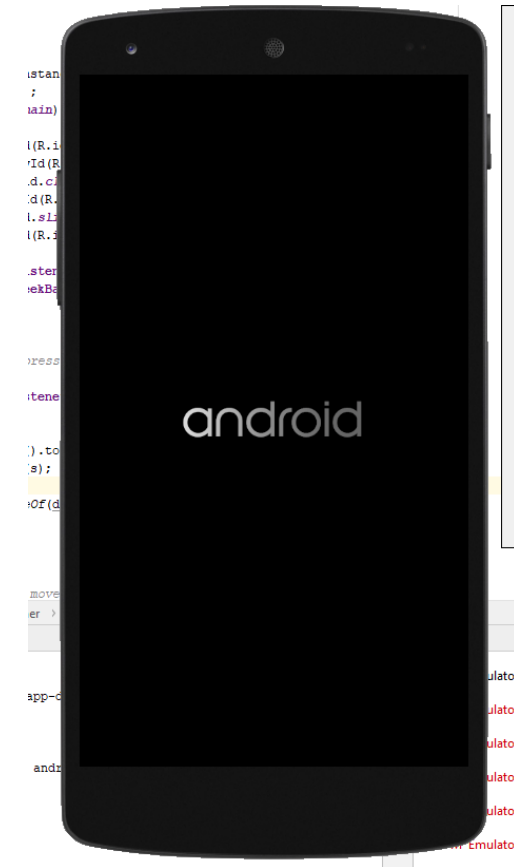
Create a new project in Android Studio

- Name the project **MyFirstApp**
 - **Do not change any other settings.**
- Click the **Finish** button



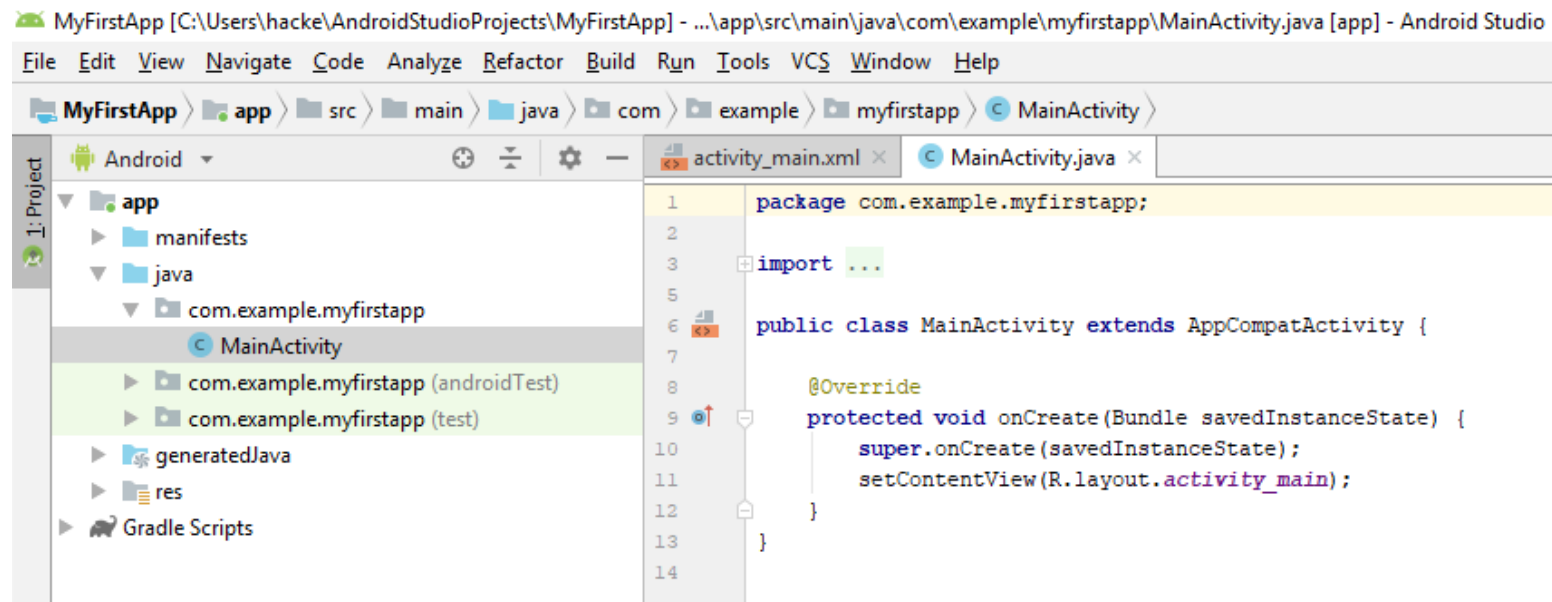
Start the AVD

- Start your Android Virtual Device now.
 - This way, we don't have to wait for it to load once we're ready to run our app.
- If you don't have an AVD (or don't know what one is)...
 - Go back complete the Android Virtual Devices instructions posted in this Canvas Module.



Source Code

- MainActivity.java will be automatically generated for us.
 - This is where we will put our source code for our app.



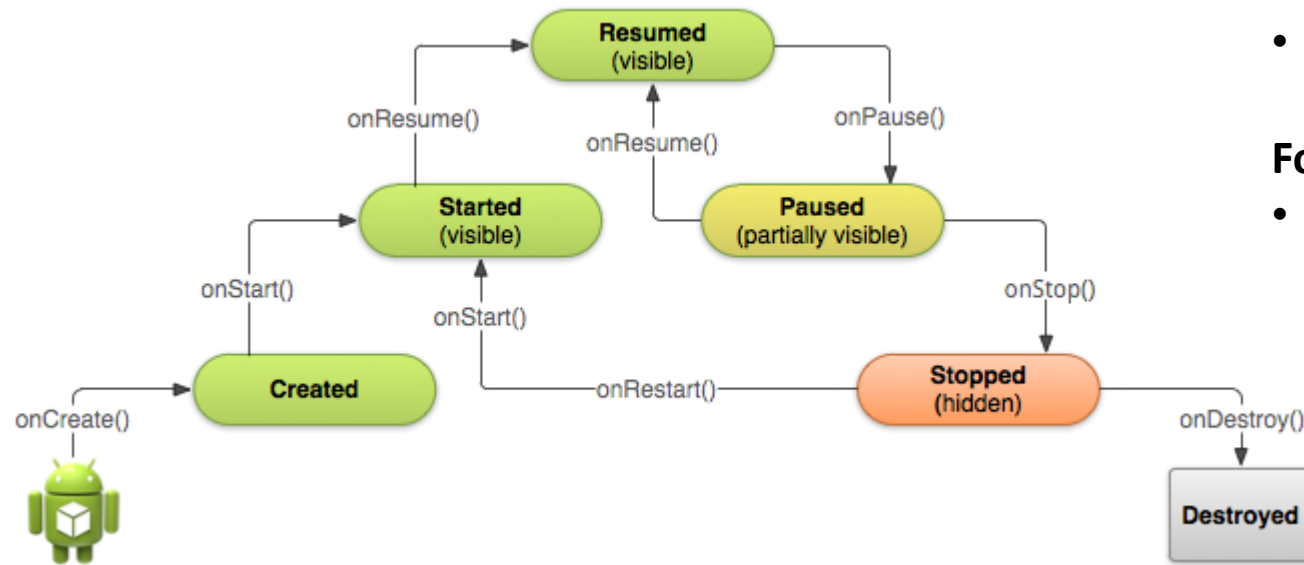
Activities

- An **Activity** is an Android object that provides a screen with which users can interact with.
 - Each activity is given a window in which to draw its user interface.
- An application usually consists of multiple activities.
 - The apps for this course will only consist of one activity.
- You can see that MainActivity.java is a subclass of something called AppCompatActivity.
 - (Which is a descendant/subclass of the Activity class)

Activities

- In an application, one Activity may be specified as a “main activity”, that is first presented when launching the application.
- Each Activity is able to other activities.
 - When a new Activity starts, the previous activity is stopped and preserved in a stack.
 - Sort-of “put in the background”
- Activities use **callback methods** that the system calls when the activity transitions between various states of its **lifecycle**, such as when the activity is being created, stopped, resumed, or destroyed.

The Activity Lifecycle



Entire Lifetime

- Between `onCreate()` and `onDestroy()`

Visible Lifetime

- Between `onStart()` and `onStop()`

Foreground Lifetime

- Between `onResume()` and `onPause()`

Activities

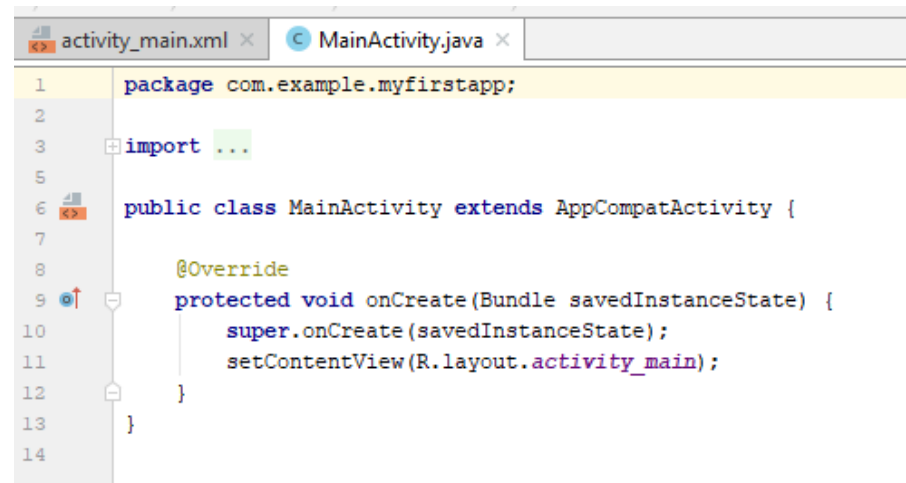
- **onCreate()** The system will call this method when creating your Activity. In this method, you should initialize the essential components of your Activity.
- **onPause()** The system will call this method at the first indication that the user is leaving the Activity (though it does not always mean the activity is being destroyed).
 - You should commit any changes that should be persisted beyond the current user session in this method.

Activities

- **onStart()** Called just before the Activity becomes visible to the user.
- **onResume()** Called just before the activity starts interacting with the user. At this point, the activity is at the top of the activity stack with user input going to it.
- **onStop()** Called when the activity is no longer visible to the user. This may happen because it is being destroyed, or because another activity (either an existing one or a new one) has been resumed and is covering it.
- **onDestroy()** Called before the activity is destroyed. This is the final call that the activity will receive. It could be called either because the activity is finishing, or because the system is temporarily destroying this instance of the Activity to save space.

Activities

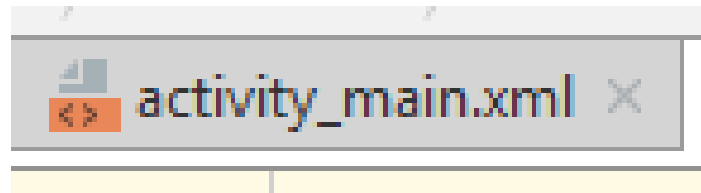
- For the apps you'll make in this course, you'll simply put any code in the onCreate() method.
 - Already generated for us.
 - Think of it as your “main method” like in a normal Java program.



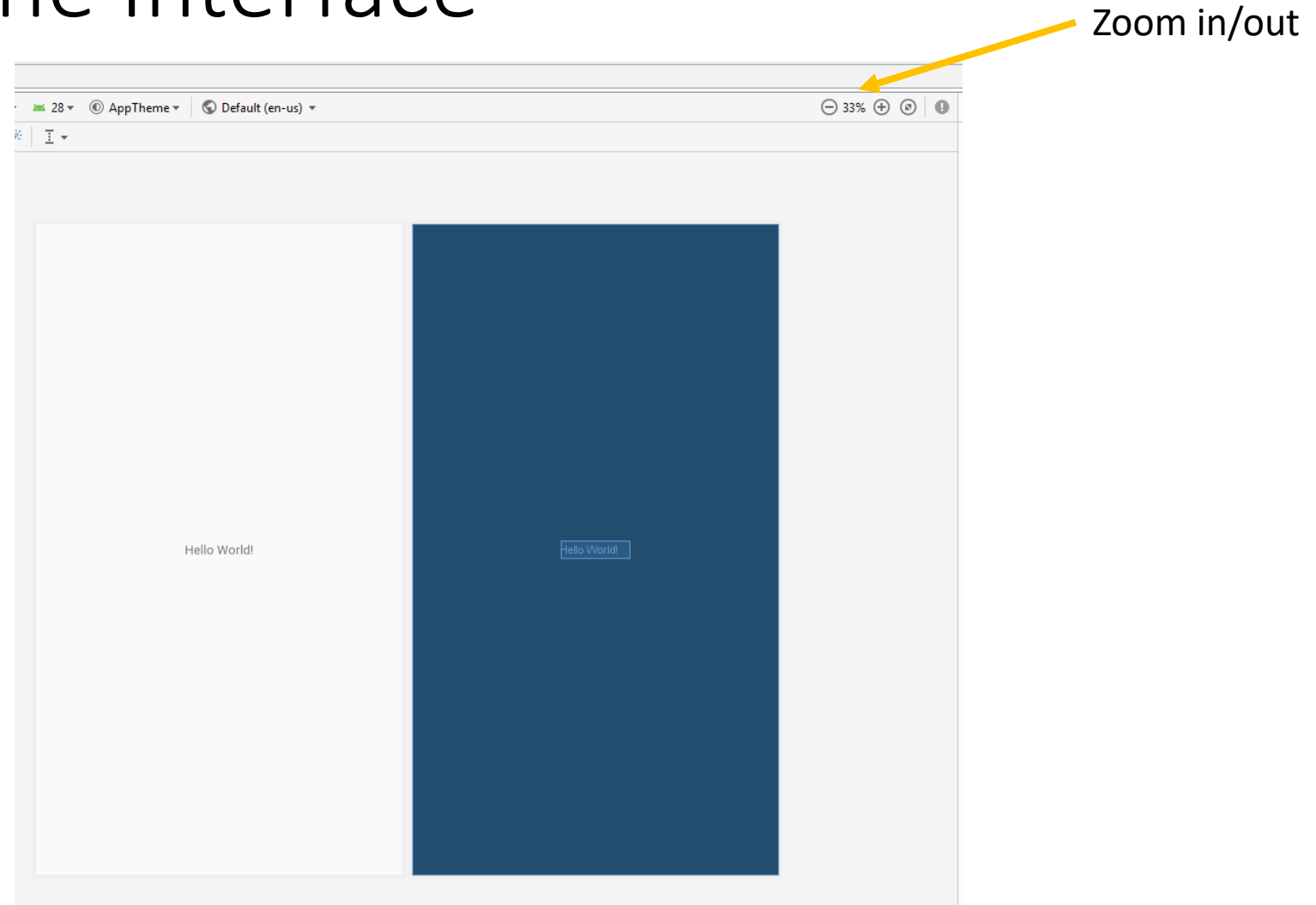
```
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3 import ...
4
5
6 public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
7
8     @Override
9     protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
10         super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
11         setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
12     }
13 }
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```

Designing the Interface

- Select the activity_main.xml tab in the editor panel.
 - The layout of the user interface is created with XML.
 - You will not need to write any XML for the apps in this course.

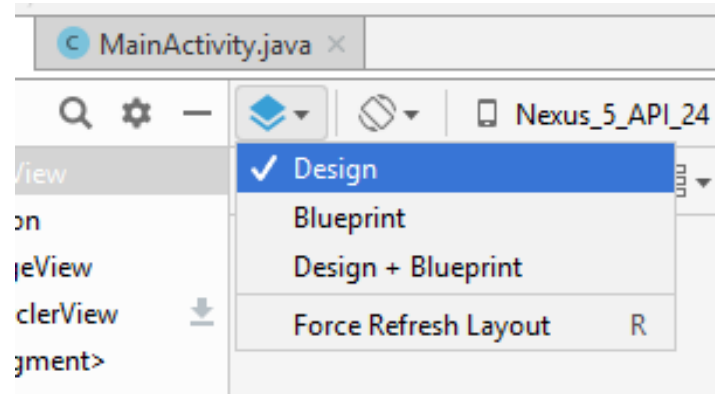


Designing the Interface



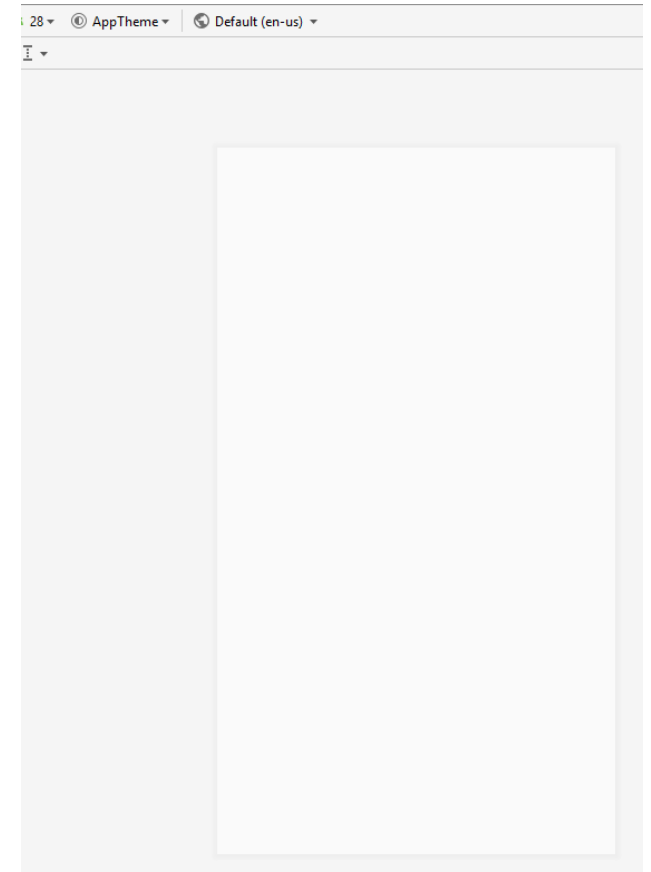
Designing the Interface

- Switch to Design view only.



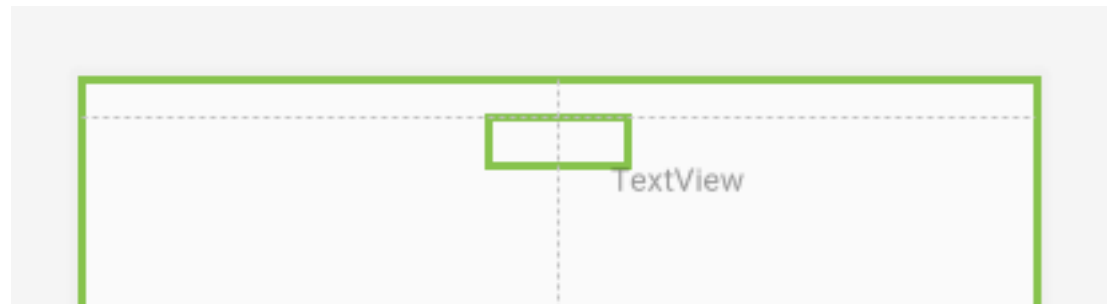
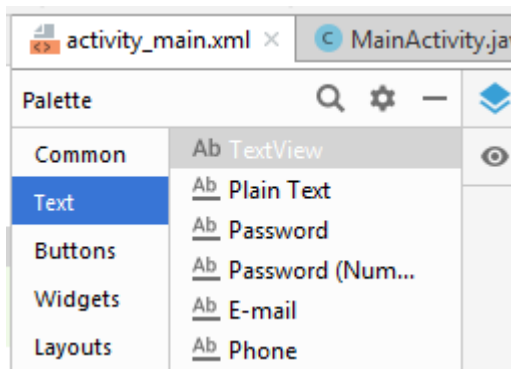
Designing the Interface

- A “Hello World” label was created for us.
 - Click on it and press the **delete** key.
- The interface should be blank.



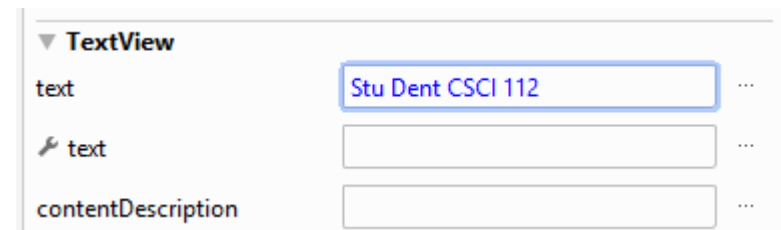
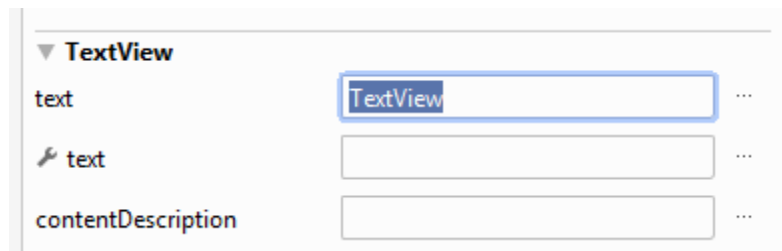
Adding a TextView

- A **TextView** is a graphical component (“widget”) that displays text.
 - TextViews are like Labels (See the Java GUI slides)
- From the Palette, select **Text**
 - Click and drag a **TextView** from the Palette to the top of the app’s interface.



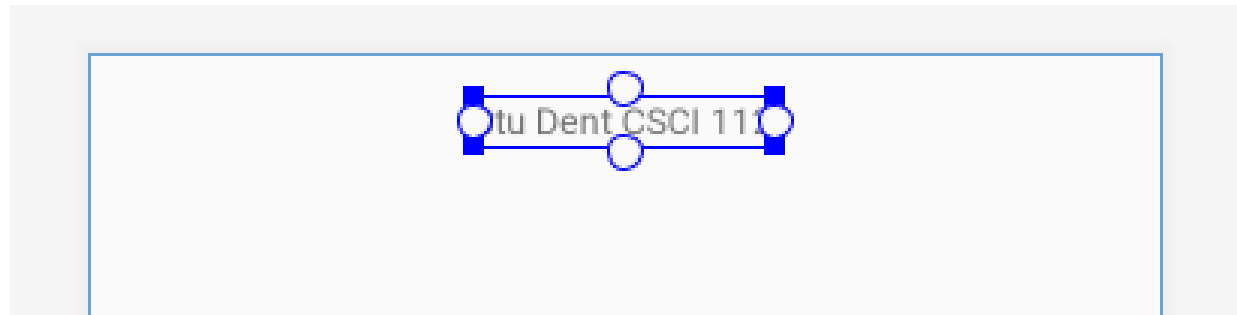
Adding a TextView

- On the right side of Android Studio, you'll see the Attributes pane.
 - This is where we can set and modify properties of the widgets we drop on the app's interface.
- Change the text from “TextView” to “Your Name CSCI 112”



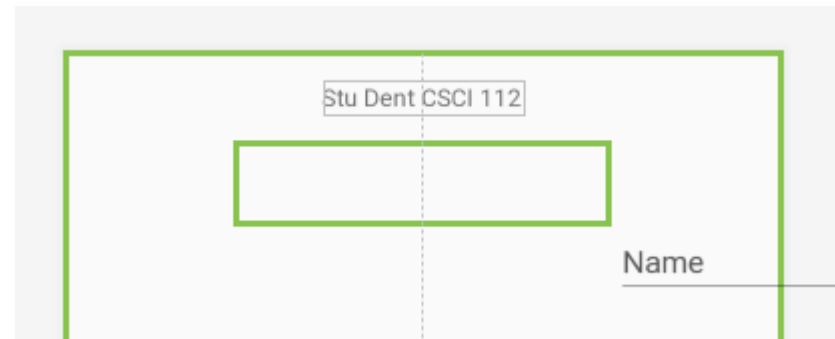
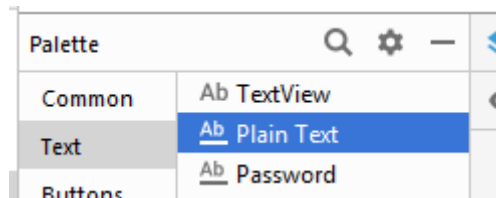
Adding a TextView

- Adjust the TextView (click and drag) so that is it centered in the interface.



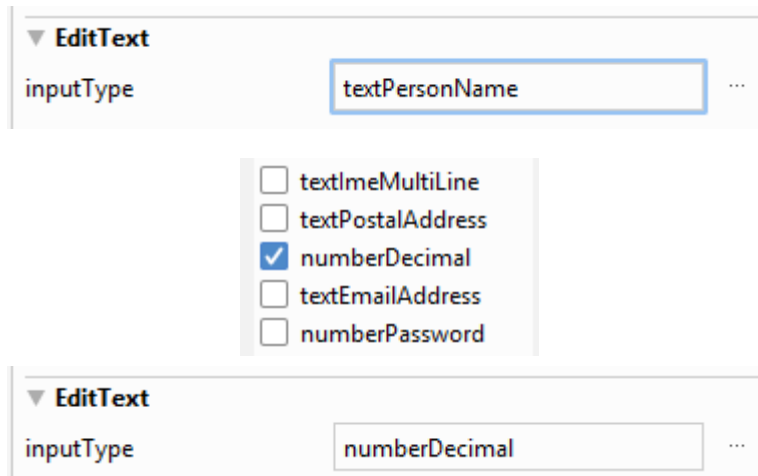
Adding an EditText

- An EditText is a widget that allows a user to type input.
 - EditTexts are like Text Fields (See the Java GUI slides)
- From the Palette, select **Text**
 - Click and drag a **Plain Text** from the Palette to underneath the TextView that displays your name.



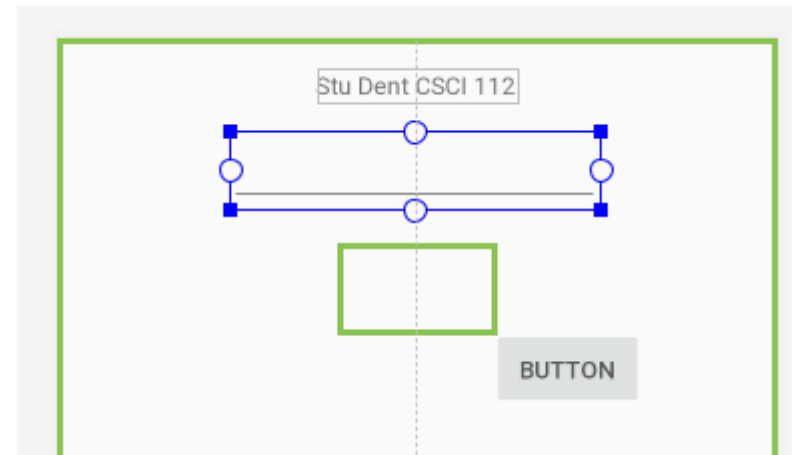
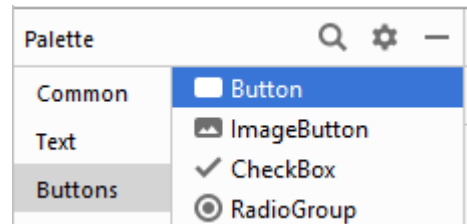
Adding an EditText

- In the attributes, change the inputType from “textPersonName” to “numberDecimal”
 - numberDecimal should be the only item checked.
- Change the text from “Name” to empty/blank.
 - Press Enter when done.



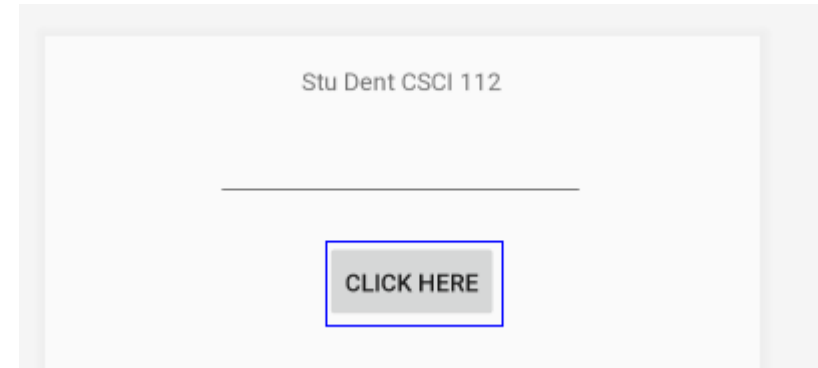
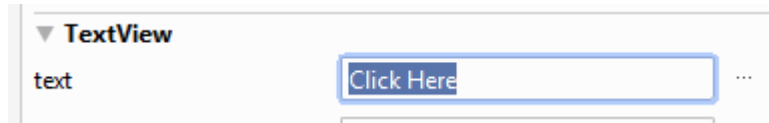
Adding a Button

- An Button is a widget that a user presses to trigger some action.
- From the Palette, select **Buttons**
 - Click and drag a **Button** from the Palette to underneath the EditText.



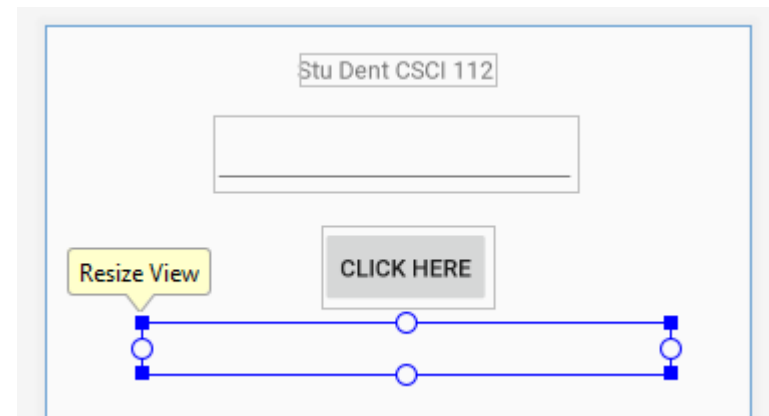
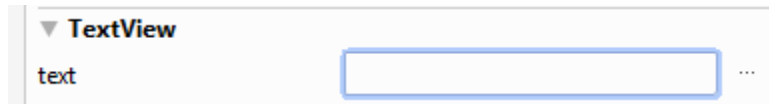
Adding a Button

- In the attributes, change the button's text to read “Click Here”



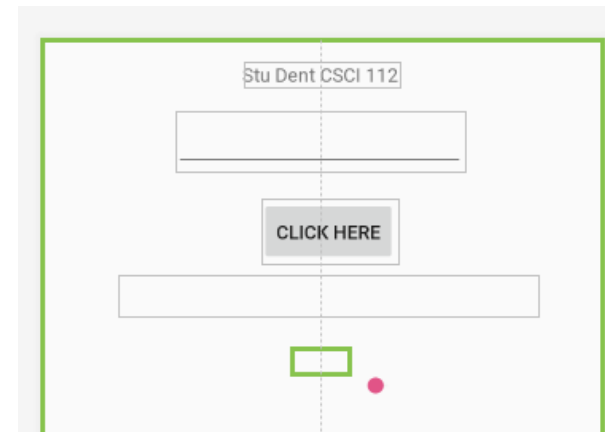
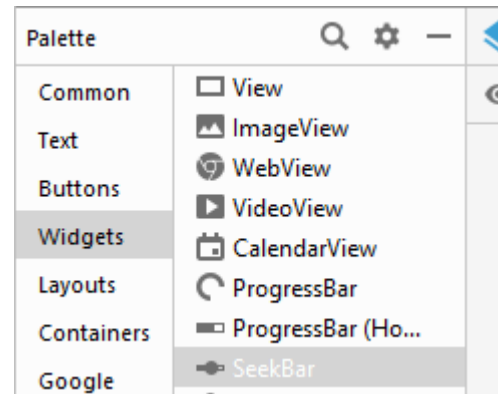
Add a Second TextView

- Add a second TextView under the Button.
 - Click and drag the corners to resize the TextView (about the size shown below)
 - In the attributes, clear the text field so the TextView is blank.
 - Click and drag to recenter the empty TextView under the button.



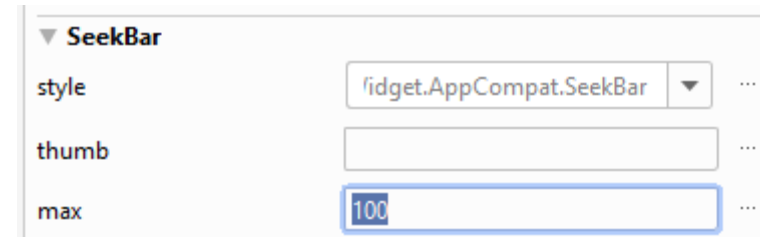
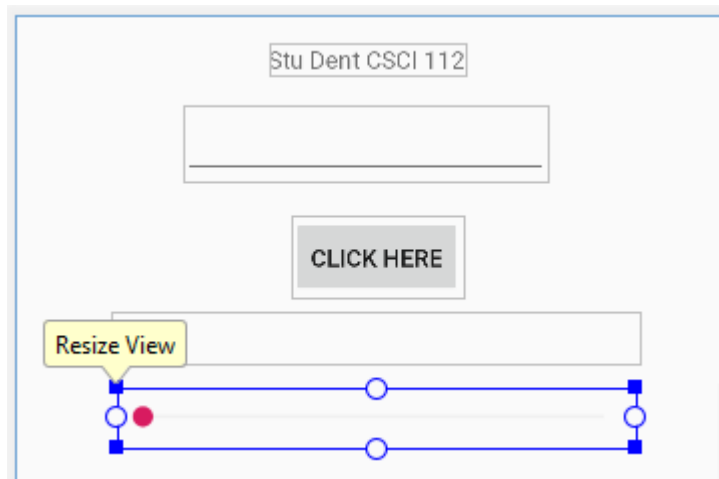
Adding a SeekBar

- An SeekBar is a widget that allows a user to select a value on a sliding scale.
 - SeekBars are like Sliders (See the Java GUI slides)
- From the Palette, select **Widgets**
 - Click and drag a **SeekBar** from the Palette to underneath the empty TextView.



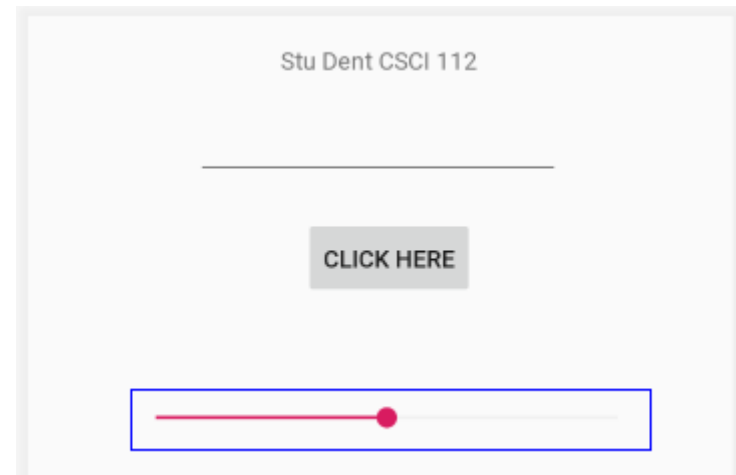
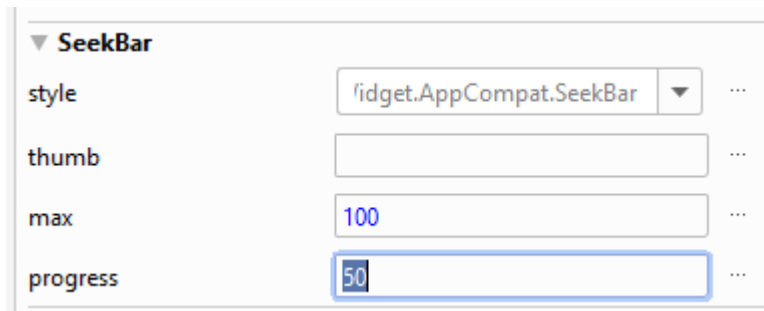
Adding a SeekBar

- Click and drag the corners to resize the SeekBar (about the size shown below)
- In the attributes, sent the max value to 100



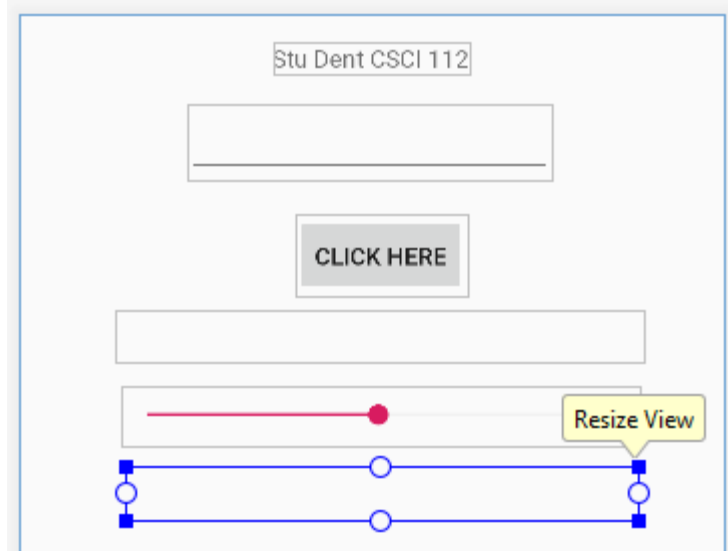
Adding a SeekBar

- In the attributes, sent the progress value to 50
 - Where the SeekBar slider starts



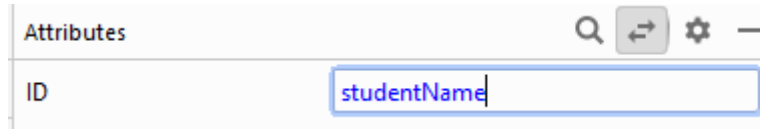
Add a Third TextView

- Add a third TextView under the SeekBar.
 - Click and drag the corners to resize the TextView (about the size shown below)
 - In the attributes, clear the text field so the TextView is blank.
 - Click and drag to recenter the empty TextView under the SeekBar.



Fixing the IDs

- As we are adding widgets, they are assigned generated IDs
- Select the first TextView with your name.
 - In the attributes, change the ID to **studentName**

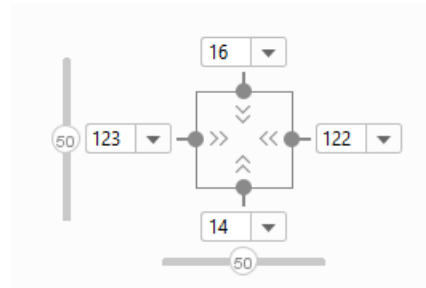
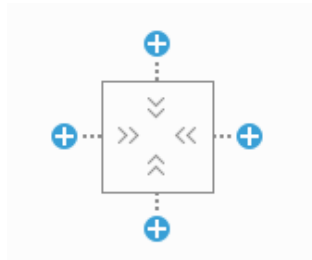
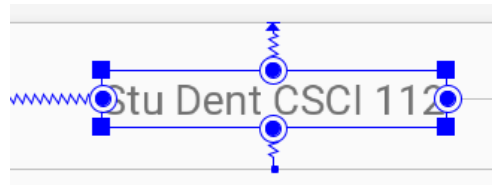
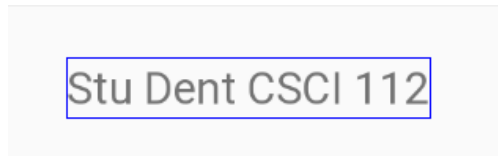


Fixing the IDs

- Rename the IDs of the other widgets:
 - EditText – entryField
 - Button – clickButton
 - TextView (first blank one) – entryText
 - SeekBar – slider
 - TextView (second blank one) – sliderText

Set Positions

- Select each widget, one at a time.
 - In the attributes, click the + on all four sides.
 - Manually (drag and drop) to re-adjust any widgets that jump out of position.



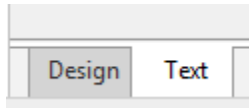
Ok if not exactly the same



Should look close to this when finished

Viewing the XML behind the interface

- Click the **Text** tab on the bottom left of the interface designer.
 - You don't need to make any changes, but this is the XML “code” behind the interface.



```
<TextView
    android:id="@+id/studentName"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:text="Stu Dent CSCI 112"
    tools:layout_editor_absoluteX="148dp"
    tools:layout_editor_absoluteY="16dp" />
```

```
<EditText
    android:id="@+id/entryField"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:ems="10"
    android:inputType="numberDecimal"
    tools:layout_editor_absoluteX="98dp"
    tools:layout_editor_absoluteY="52dp" />
```

- Click the **Design** tab to go back.

Programming the App

- Select the tab to switch back to MainActivity.java

A screenshot of an IDE window with two tabs: 'activity_main.xml' and 'MainActivity.java'. The 'MainActivity.java' tab is active. The code is as follows:

```
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3 import ...
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5
6 public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
7
8     @Override
9     protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
10         super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
11         setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
12     }
13 }
14
```

Programming the App

- We need to create variables for the widgets we added.
 - Added like normal fields in a class.

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    private TextView nameText;  
    private EditText entryField;  
    private Button button;  
    private TextView entryText;  
    private SeekBar seek;  
    private TextView seekText;
```

Additional imports

```
3  import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;  
4  import android.os.Bundle;  
5  import android.widget.Button;  
6  import android.widget.EditText;  
7  import android.widget.SeekBar;  
8  import android.widget.TextView;
```

Programming the App

- Instantiate the widgets in the onCreate method.

```
@Override
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

    nameText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.studentName);
    entryField = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.entryField);
    button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.clickButton);
    entryText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.entryText);
    seek = (SeekBar) findViewById(R.id.slider);
    seekText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.sliderText);
}
```

The IDs we set



Programming the App

- Creating a Click Listener
 - We will need a special listener object to listen for when the button is clicked.
 - And to do something when it does get clicked.
 - We will have whatever is entered in the EditText be multiplied by 100 and then displayed in the first empty TextView.

Programming the App

```
@Override
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

    nameText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.studentName);
    entryField = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.entryField);
    button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.clickButton);
    entryText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.entryText);
    seek = (SeekBar) findViewById(R.id.slider);
    seekText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.sliderText);

    button.setOnClickListener(buttonListener);
}

/**
 * Handles events when the button is pressed.
 */
private View.OnClickListener buttonListener = new View.OnClickListener() {
    @Override
    public void onClick(View v) {
        String s = entryField.getText().toString(); //Gets the value in the EditText
        double d = Double.parseDouble(s);           //Converts it to a double
        d = d * 100;                                  //Multiplies it by 100
        entryText.setText(String.valueOf(d));         //Displays result in the TextView
    }
};
```

```
/**
 * Handles events when the button is pressed.
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private View.OnClickListener buttonListener = new View.OnClickListener() {
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        d = d * 100;                                  //Multiplies it by 100
        entryText.setText(String.valueOf(d));         //Displays result in the TextView
    }
};
```

Programming the App

- Now, we need to set this listener to the button.

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    nameText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.studentName);
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    button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.clickButton);
    entryText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.entryText);
    seek = (SeekBar) findViewById(R.id.slider);
    seekText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.sliderText);

    button.setOnClickListener(buttonListener);
}
```

Programming the App

- Creating a Seek Bar Listener
 - We will need a special listener object to listen for when the SeekBar is changed.
 - And to do something when it does get changed.
 - We will have whatever is selected on the SeekBar be displayed in the second empty TextView.

Programming the App

```
/**
 * Handles events when the button is pressed.
 */
private View.OnClickListener buttonListener = new View.OnClickListener() {
    @Override
    public void onClick(View v) {
        String s = entryField.getText().toString(); //Gets the value in the EditText
        double d = Double.parseDouble(s);           //Converts it to a double
        d = d * 100;                                 //Multiplies it by 100
        entryText.setText(String.valueOf(d));         //Displays result in the TextView
    }
};

/**
 * Handles events when the seekbar is moved
 */
private SeekBar.OnSeekBarChangeListener seekBarListener = new SeekBar.OnSeekBarChangeListener() {
    @Override
    public void onProgressChanged(SeekBar seekBar, int progress, boolean fromUser) {
        //Called EVERY TIME the dial moves from one selection to the next
        int selection = seekBar.getProgress(); //Current Value Selected
        seekText.setText(String.valueOf(selection) + "%"); //Displays this value on the TextView
    }

    @Override
    public void onStartTrackingTouch(SeekBar seekBar) {
        //Called when the user first presses on the seekbar.
        //Not needed for this app, so we'll leave the method empty.
        //It's abstract/required by the OnSeekBarChangeListener interface.
    }

    @Override
    public void onStopTrackingTouch(SeekBar seekBar) {
        //Called when the user lets go of the seekbar.
        //Not needed for this app, so we'll leave the method empty.
        //It's abstract/required by the OnSeekBarChangeListener interface.
    }
};
```

See next slide for close-up

Programming the App

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    public void onProgressChanged(SeekBar seekBar, int progress, boolean fromUser) {
        //Called EVERY TIME the dial moves from one selection to the next
        int selection = seek.getProgress(); //Current Value Selected
        seekText.setText(String.valueOf(selection) + "%"); //Displays this value on the TextView
    }

    @Override
    public void onStartTrackingTouch(SeekBar seekBar) {
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Programming the App

- Now, we need to set this listener to the SeekBar.

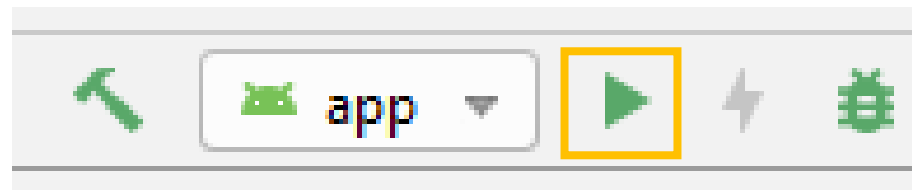
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    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

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    button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.clickButton);
    entryText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.entryText);
    seek = (SeekBar) findViewById(R.id.slider);
    seekText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.sliderText);

    button.setOnClickListener(buttonListener);
    seek.setOnSeekBarChangeListener(seekBarListener);
}
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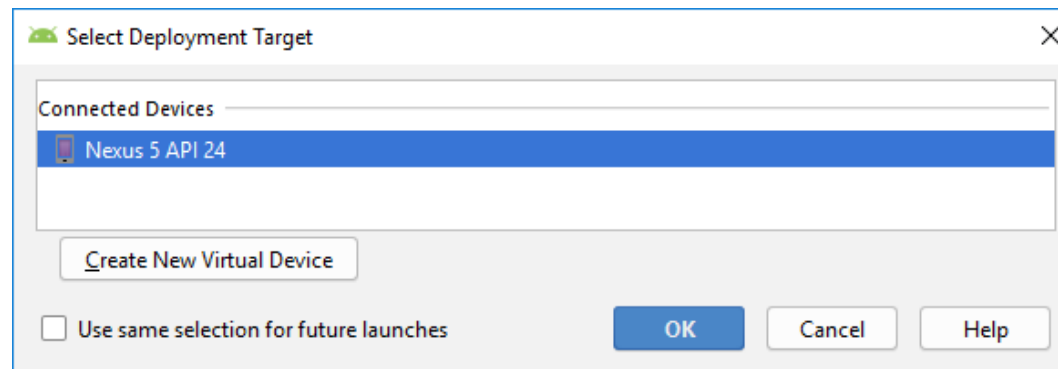
Ready to Test

- With the interface set up and the two interactive widgets set up, we can test the app.
- Click the Play button in the upper right corner to run/test the app.
 - Be sure your AVD is ready to go.

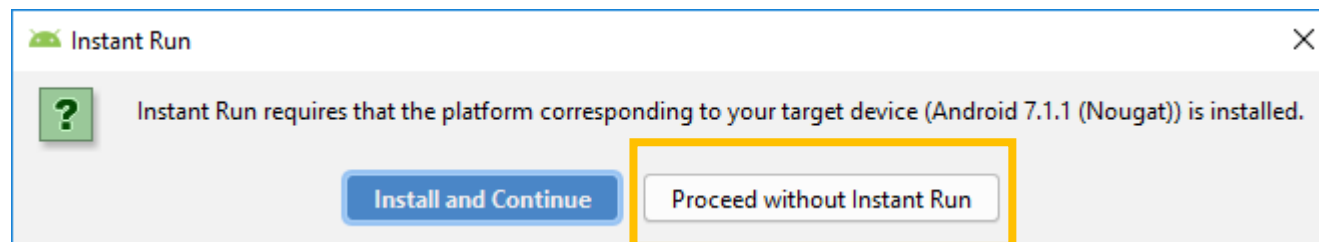


Ready to Test

- Make sure your running/connected AVD is selected and click OK.

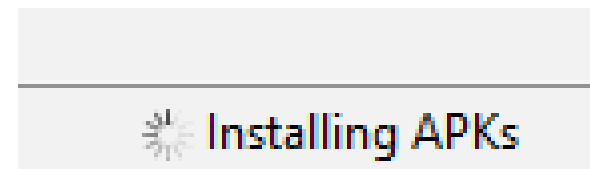
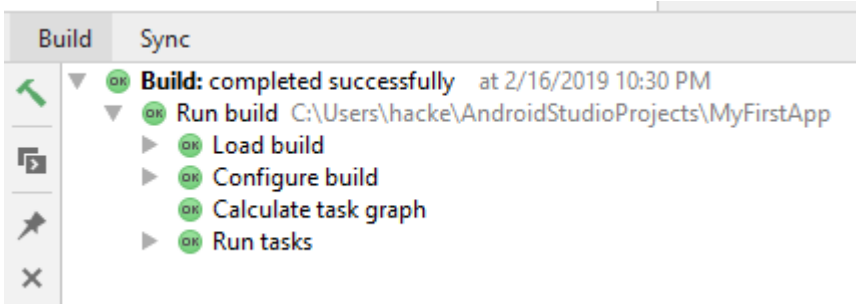


- Click **Proceed without Instant Run** if you see a similar message to this:



Ready to Test

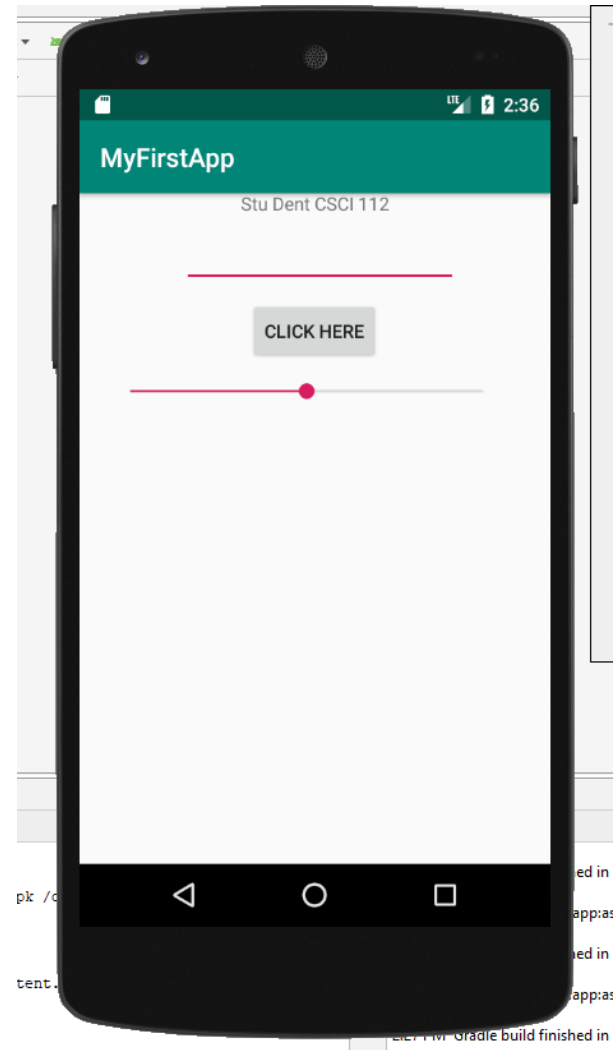
- Give it a minute or two to finish building and installing the app.



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02/17 14:22:52: Launching app
$ adb push C:\Users\hacke\AndroidStudioProjects\MyFirstApp\app\build\outputs\apk\debug\app-debug.apk /data/local/tmp/com.example.my
$ adb shell pm install -t -r "/data/local/tmp/com.example.myfirstapp"
Success
APK installed in 37 s 66 ms
$ adb shell am start -n "com.example.myfirstapp/com.example.myfirstapp.MainActivity" -a android.intent.action.MAIN -c android.inten
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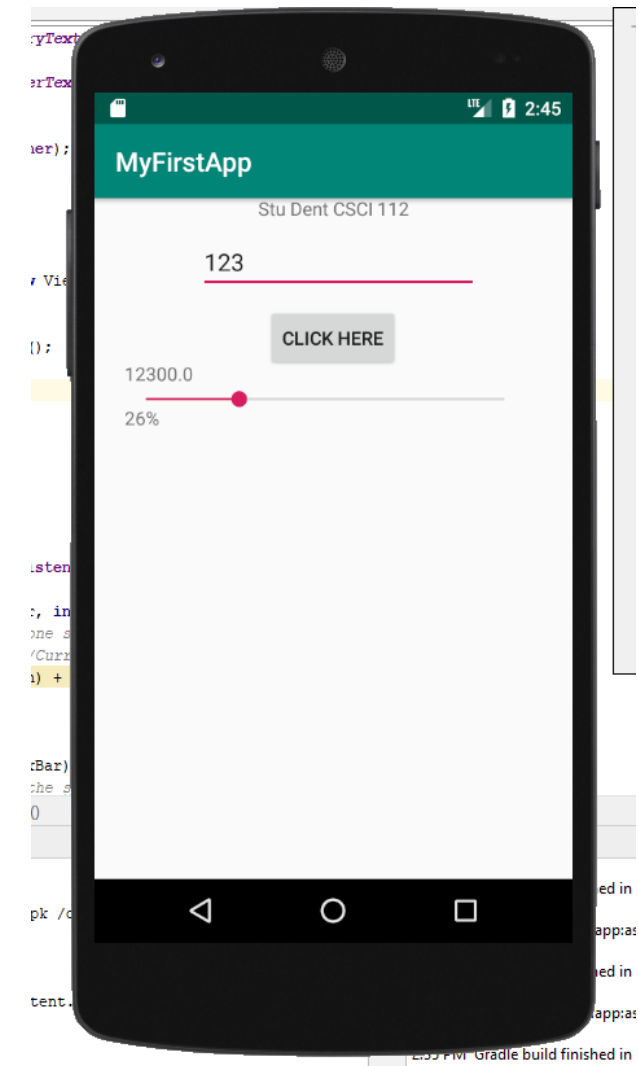
Ready to Test

- The app should be started automatically.



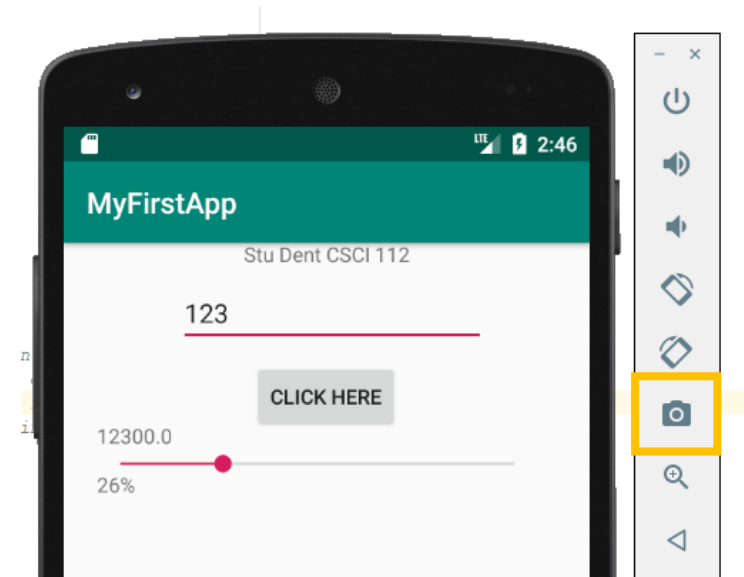
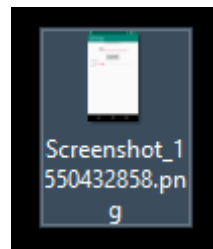
Ready to Test

- Test the features.
 - Enter numbers into the EditText.
 - Click the EditText.
 - The keypad should appear.
 - Enter the value 123
 - Click the Check Box icon in the keypad to close it.
 - Click the Button.
 - The number (multiplied by 100) should be displayed
 - Move the SeekBar's dial to 26%.



Take a Screenshot

- Click the Camera icon on the right of the AVD to take a screen shot of the running app.
- The screen shot will be saved to the desktop.



Submit the Screenshot

- Rename the screenshot “Lastname_A5A.png”
 - Replace “Lastname” with your last name.
- Submit the image for Assignment 5A on Canvas.