

Mobile Programing

Chapter 1. Android Introduction

Note

- This slide is based on Google Android code labs slides
- Original slides:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1eu-LXxiHocSktGYpG04PfE9Xmr_pBY5P



3.1 The Android Studio debugger

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All Code Has Bugs



Bugs

- Incorrect or unexpected result, wrong values
- Crashes, exceptions, freezes, memory leaks
- Causes
 - Human Design or Implementation Error > Fix your code
 - Software fault, but in libraries > Work around limitation
 - Hardware fault or limitation -> Make it work with what's available

Origin of the term "bug" (it's not what you think)



Debugging

- Find and fix errors
- Correct unexpected and undesirable behavior
- Unit tests help identify bugs and prevent regression
- User testing helps identify interaction bugs



Android Studio debugging tools

Android Studio has tools that help you

- identify problems
- find where in the source code the problem is created
- so that you can fix it



Logging with Android Studio



Add Log messages to your code

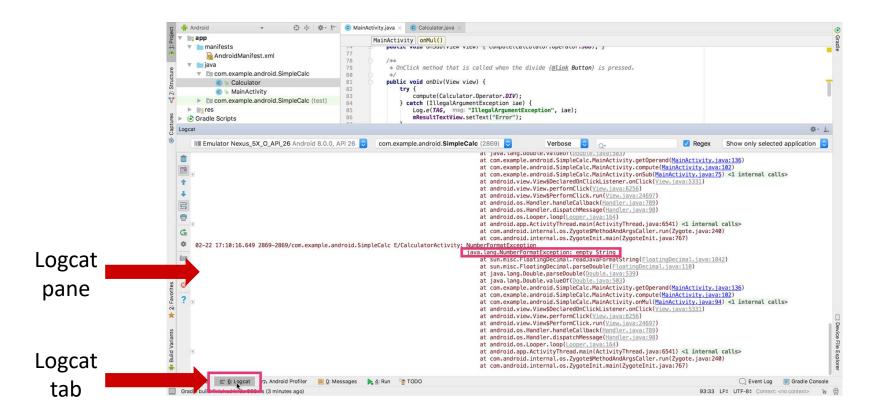
```
import android.util.Log;

// Use class variable with class name as tag
private static final String TAG =
        MainActivity.class.getSimpleName();

// Show message in Logcat pane of Android Studio
// Log.<log-level>(TAG, "Message");
Log.d(TAG, "Hello World");
```



Open Logcat pane



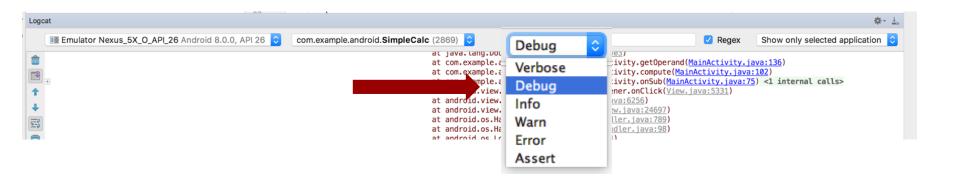


Inspect logging messages





Choose visible logging level



Displays logs with levels at this level or higher



Log Levels

- Verbose All verbose log statements and comprehensive system
- **Debug** All debug logs, variable values, debugging notes
- Info Status info, such as database connection
- Warning Unexpected behavior, non-fatal issues
- Error Serious error conditions, exceptions, crashes only



Debugging with Android Studio

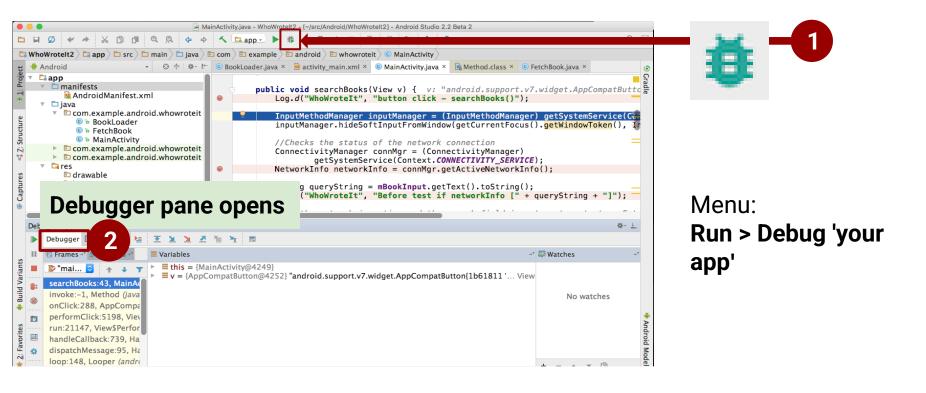


What you can do

- Run in debug mode with attached debugger
- Set and configure breakpoints
- Halt execution at breakpoints
- Inspect execution stack frames and variable values
- Change variable values
- Step through code line by line
- Pause and resume a running program

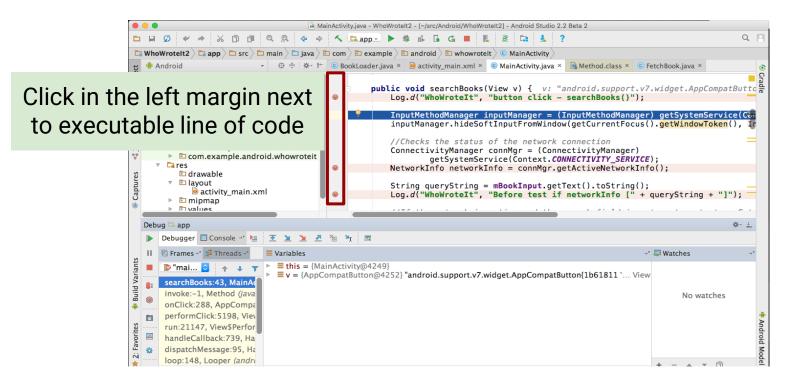


Run in debug mode



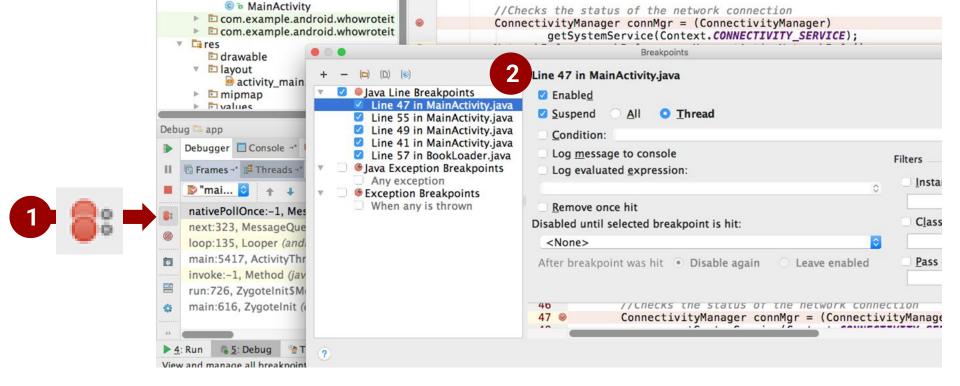


Set breakpoints





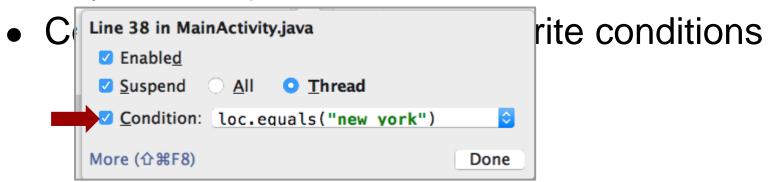
Edit breakpoint properties





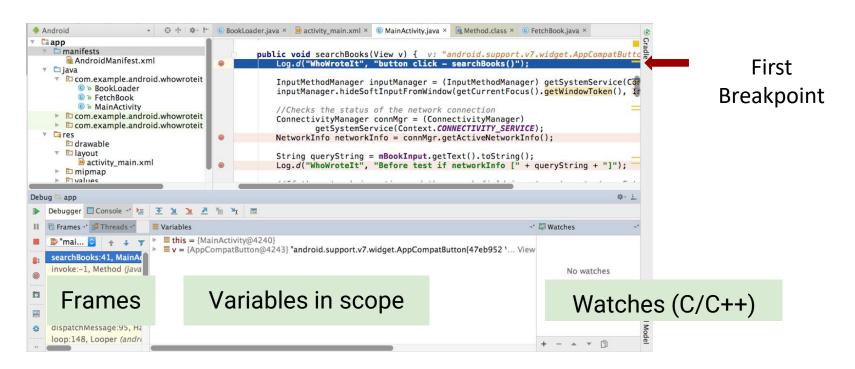
Make breakpoints conditional

- In properties dialog or right -click existing breakpoint
- Any Java expression that returns a boolean



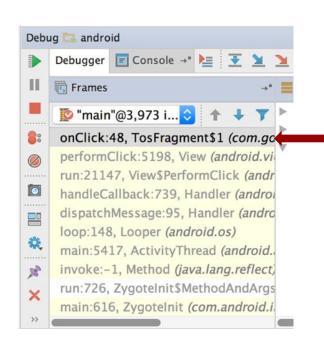


Run until app stops at breakpoint





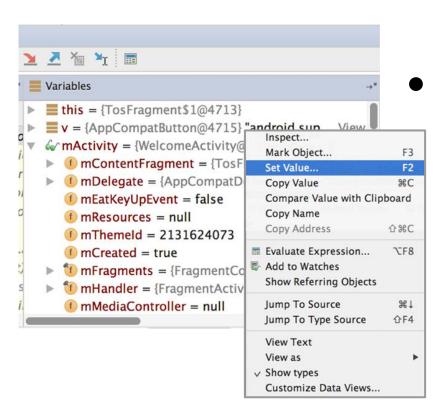
Inspect frames



Top frame is where execution is halted in your code



Inspect and edit variables



Right-click on variable for menu



Basic Stepping Commands

Step Over	F8	Step to the next line in current file
Step Into	F7	Step to the next executed line
Force Step Into	û F 7	Step into a method in a class that you wouldn't normally step into, like a standard JDK class
Step Out	ûF8	Step to first executed line after returning from current method
Run to Cursor	~=F9	Run to the line where the cursor is in the file



Stepping through code

Show execution point Drop frame Run to cursor

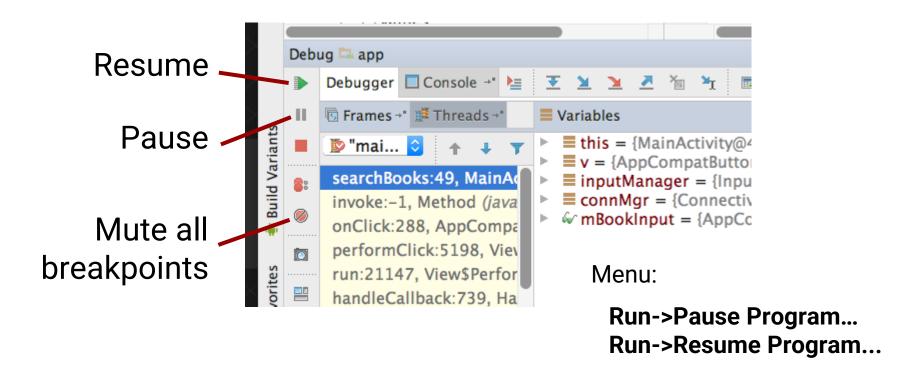
Debug: Android Debugger (8796) app

Debugger Console - Step into Step out

Force step into



Resume and Pause





Learn more

- Debug Your App (Android Studio User Guide)
- Debugging and Testing in Android Studio (video)



What's Next?

- Concept Chapter: 3.1 The Android Studio debugger
- Practical: 3.1 The debugger



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