

# Steps to Integrate HockeyApp SDK with Android Application.

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## REQUIREMENTS :-

1. The SDK runs on devices with API Level 15 or later (Android 4.0.3 and up).
2. Android project in Android Studio or another Android IDE.

## 1. SETUP :-

### • Obtain an app identifier

1. Login in hockey app with above mentioned Credentials.
2. Add App & App Details in Hockey App Website.
3. This will provide you with an HockeyApp-specific App Identifier to be used to initialize the SDK.

The screenshot shows the HockeyApp dashboard for the application 'UMT Android | Beta'. The browser address bar shows the URL <https://rink.hockeyapp.net/manage/apps/848057>. The dashboard includes tabs for Overview, Versions, Crashes, Events, Feedback, and Users. The Overview tab is active, displaying the app's details, including the App ID (1e3e7c4de52e4e389f72577d2e7120eb) and the Owner (You). Below the app details, there is a section for 'Latest Versions' with a table showing two versions of the app. The table has columns for Name, Code, Devices, Downloads, Crashes, and Last Updated. The first version is 1.0 with code 1, 0 devices, 2 downloads, 0 crashes, and was updated on 17 Sep 2018, 16:53. The second version is also 1.0 with code 1, 0 devices, 1 download, 0 crashes, and was updated on 17 Sep 2018, 16:28. Below the versions table, there is a 'User Metrics' section with four charts: Crashes (0), Downloads (3), Users (1), and Sessions (1). The dashboard also includes a 'Bug Tracker' link and a 'Download & Feedback' link.

Name	Code	Devices	Downloads	Crashes	Last Updated
1.0	1	0	2	0	17 Sep 2018, 16:53
1.0	1	0	1	0	17 Sep 2018, 16:28

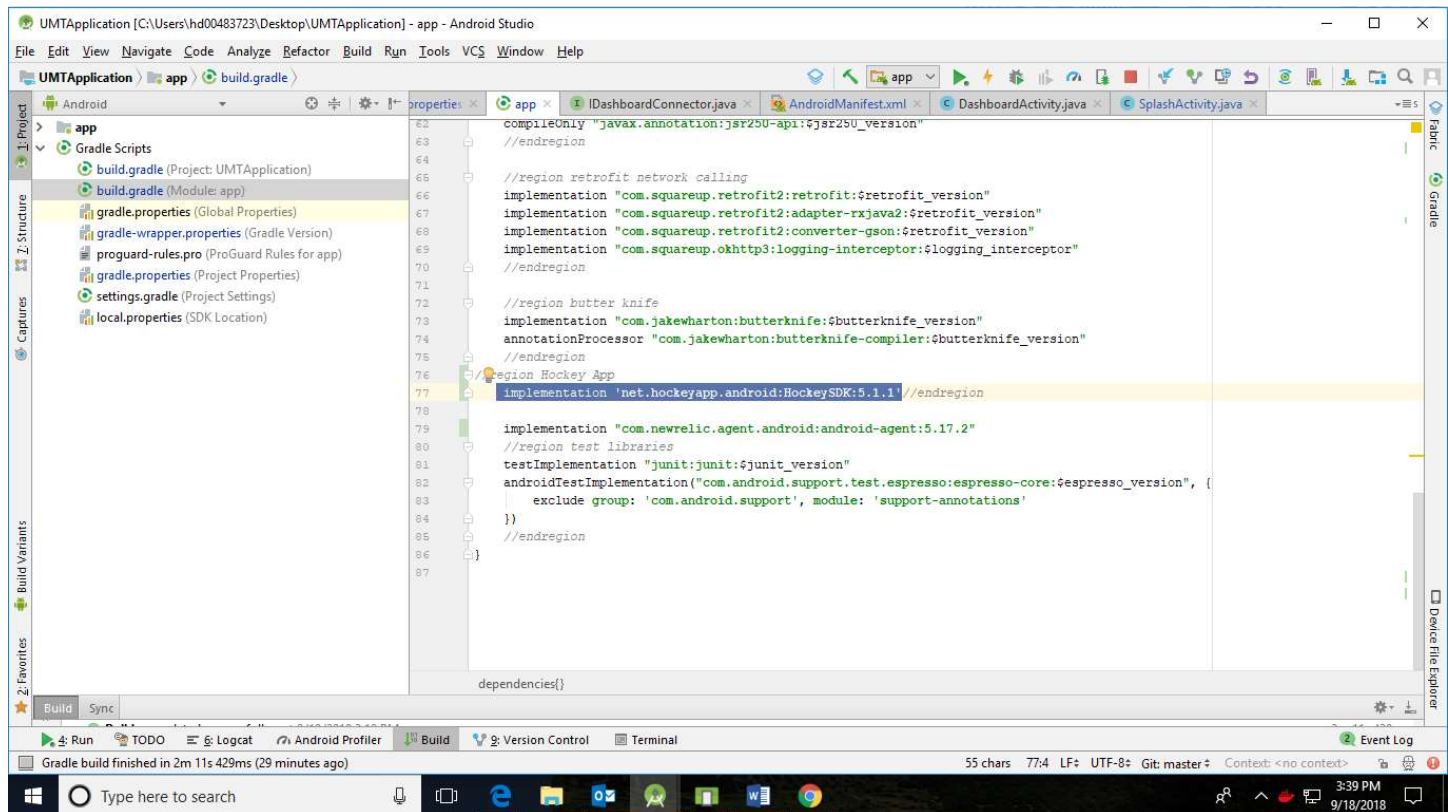
Latest downloadable version: 1.0 (1)

User Metrics: Crashes (0), Downloads (3), Users (1), Sessions (1)

- **Get the SDK**

1. Add the SDK to your app module's dependencies in Android Studio by adding the following line to your `dependencies { ... }` configuration:

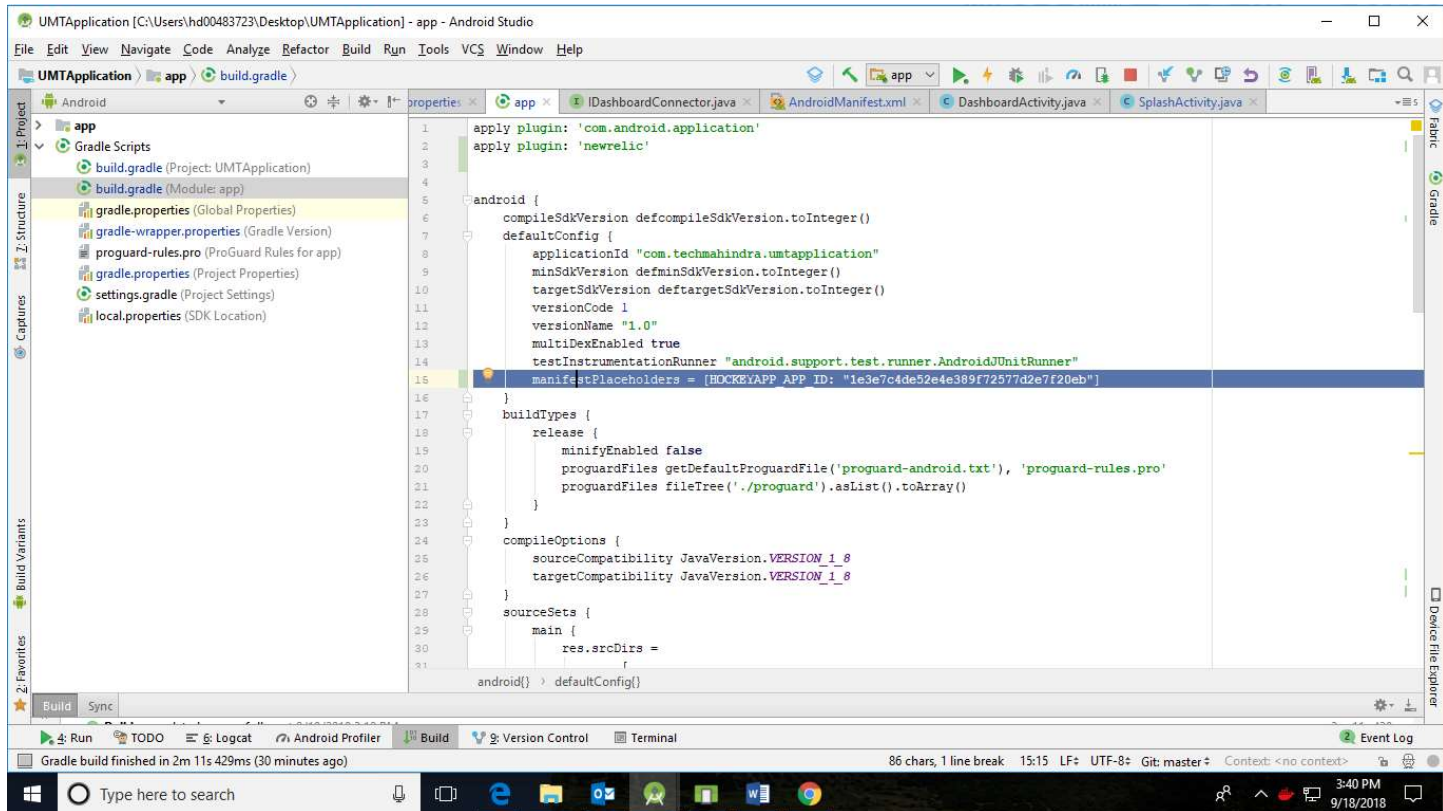
`compile 'net.hockeyapp.android:HockeySDK:5.1.1'`



## • Integrate Hockey SDK

1. Open your module's `build.gradle` file.
2. Add the following manifest placeholder to your configuration (typically the `defaultConfig`):

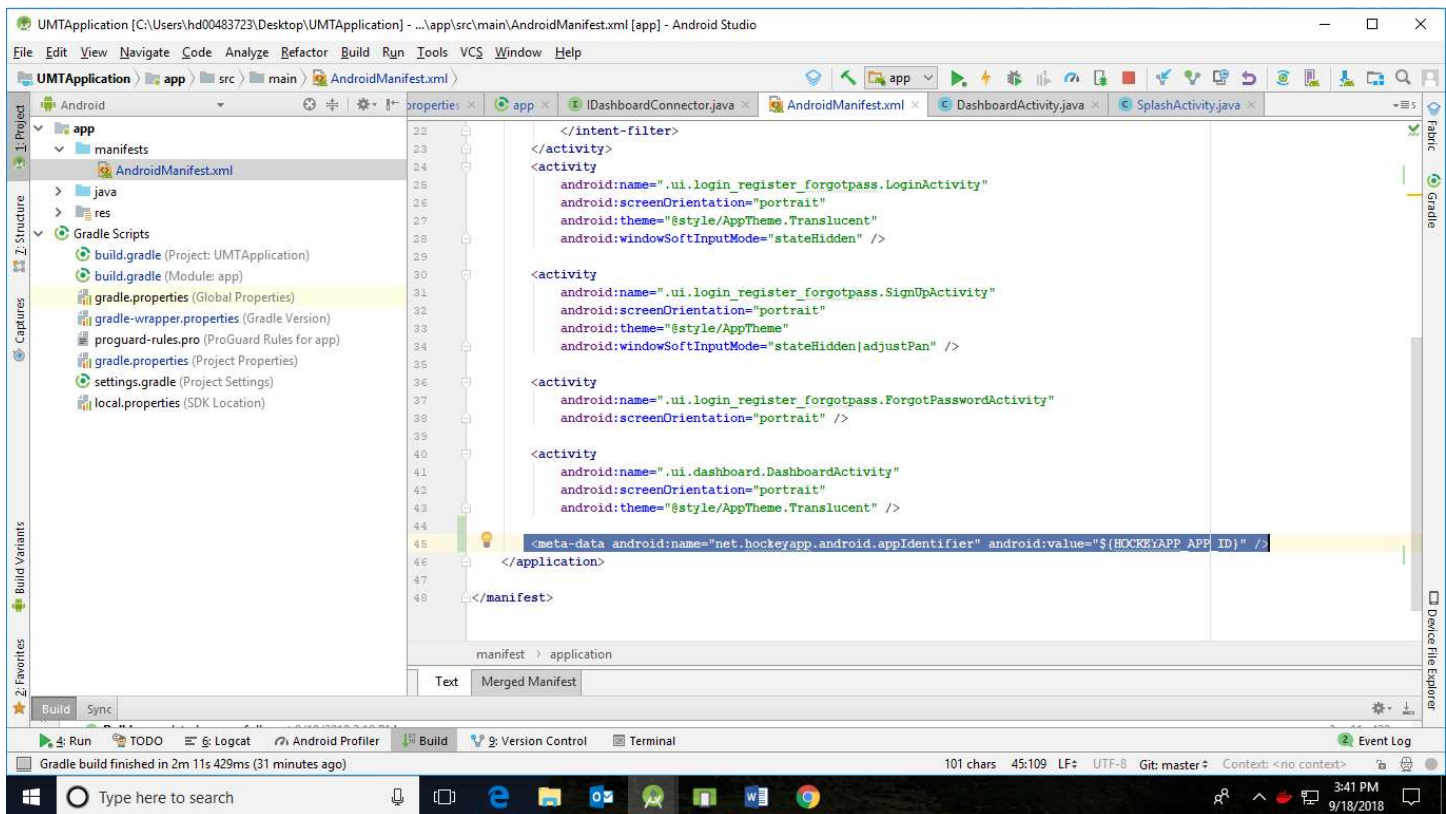
```
manifestPlaceholders = [HOCKEYAPP_APP_ID: "$APP_ID"]
```



1. The param `$APP_ID` must be replaced by your HockeyApp App Identifier. The app identifier can be found on the app's page in the "Overview" section of the HockeyApp backend.
2. Save your `build.gradle` file and make sure to trigger a Gradle sync.
3. Open your `AndroidManifest.xml` file and add a `meta-data`-tag for the HockeySDK.

```
<application>
  //your activity declarations and other stuff
  <meta-data android:name="net.hockeyapp.android.appIdentifier"
android:value="${HOCKEYAPP_APP_ID}" />
</application>
```

Save your `AndroidManifest.xml` file.



## 1. Add Crash Reporting

This will add Crash Reporting capabilities to app.

1. Open your main activity.
2. Add the following lines:

Java:

```

import net.hockeyapp.android.CrashManager;

public class YourActivity extends Activity {
    @Override
    public void onResume() {
        super.onResume();
        // ... your own onResume implementation
        checkForCrashes();
    }

    private void checkForCrashes() {
        CrashManager.register(this);
    }
}

```

### **3. Add User Metrics**

To integrate User Metrics perform the following steps:

1. Open your app's main activity and add the import statement and one line of code to the activity's `onCreate`-callback. Add the `trackEvent()`-call wherever you want to track a Custom Event.

Java:

```
//add this import
import net.hockeyapp.android.metrics.MetricsManager;

// add this to your main activity's onCreate()-callback
MetricsManager.register(getApplication());

// add this wherever you want to track a custom event
MetricsManager.trackEvent("YOUR_EVENT_NAME");

// add this wherever you want to track a custom event and attach properties or
measurements to it
HashMap<String, String> properties = new HashMap<>();
properties.put("Property1", "Value1");
HashMap<String, Double> measurements = new HashMap<>();
measurements.put("Measurement1", 1.0);

MetricsManager.trackEvent("YOUR_EVENT_NAME", properties, measurements);
```

Make sure to replace `"YOUR_EVENT_NAME"` with a name for your custom event, e.g. `"Login Button Pressed"`.

#### **Limits**

- Accepted characters for tracking events are: `[a-zA-Z0-9_. -]`. If you use other than the accepted characters, your events will not show up in the HockeyApp web portal.
- There is currently a limit of 300 unique event names per app per week.
- There is NO limit on the number of times an event can happen.
- Properties and measurements added to Custom Events are available in Application Insights Analytics as a preview. Please have a look at the [public announcement](#) to find out more.

### **4. Add update distribution**

1. Open the activity where you want to inform the user about updates. We'll assume you want to do this on startup of your main activity for our example.
2. Add the following lines and make sure to always balance `register(...)` calls to SDK managers with `unregister()` calls in the corresponding lifecycle callbacks:

Java:

```
import net.hockeyapp.android.UpdateManager;

public class YourActivity extends Activity {
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        // Your own code to create the view
        // ...

        checkForUpdates();
    }

    private void checkForUpdates() {
        // Remove this for store builds!
        UpdateManager.register(this);
    }

    private void unregisterManagers() {
        UpdateManager.unregister();
    }

    @Override
    public void onDestroy() {
        super.onDestroy();
        unregisterManagers();
    }
}
```

## 5. We can check Crash Reports, Downloads etc. in Hockey APP Dashboard.

