

## Android Layout

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5) app:layout\_constraintTop\_toTopOf: this is used to constraint the view with respect to top position.

## Events

Events are the useful way to collect data about users interaction with the application like button click, screen touch etc.

The Android framework maintains an event queue as first in first out basis. You can capture these events in your application and take appropriate actions as per user requirements.

Three things related to android event management are

- 1) Event Listener: It is an interface in the view class that contains a single callback method. These methods are called by the android framework when the view to which the listener has been registered is triggered by the user interaction with the components of UI.
- 2) Event Listener Registration: Event listener registration is the process by which an event handler ~~gets~~ Spiral

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registered with an event listener so that event handler is called when event listener fires an event

3) Event Handlers: When an event happens and the programmer has to register an event for the event occurrence, Event Listener calls the event handler which is the method that actually handles the event

Some popular Event Listener and Handlers are as follows

Handlers

onClick()

Listeners

onClickListener(= -

This method is called when the user either clicks or touches or focuses on any widget like button, text, images etc. You can use onClickEventhandler to handle such events

onLongClick()

onLongClickListener --

This method is called when the user either clicks or touches or focus on any widget like text, button, images etc. for a long duration by time. You can use on

onTouch()

onTouchListener(=

This method is called when the user press any key releases the key or any movement gestures on the screen

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onTouchEventHandler is used to handle such events.

OnMenuItemClick()

onMenuItemClickListener()

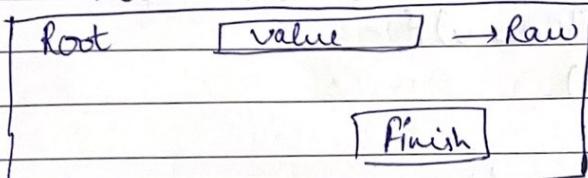
This method is called when the user selects a menu item. onMenuItemClick event handler is used to handle such events.

There are many more event listeners and event handlers as a part of View class like onTouchListener, onDragListener etc.

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## Media Player

File → New → New resource directory



Android studio facilitates many ways to control playback of audios and videos. One of the way is to call an inbuilt media player class. Media player class provides services like playing audio/video, pausing, running video, restarting, resuming and terminating the running process. To run a media player class we need to call an inbuilt function create

MediaPlayer mp =

MediaPlayerCreate(this, R.raw.filename);

① Develop an android application to create an audio media player

[Start]  
[Pause]  
[Stop]

<LinearLayout

    orientation = "vertical"  
    gravity = "center" />

<Button

    height =  
    width =

    onClick = "start" />

Java

MediaPlayer player;  
= onCreate  
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public void start(View v) {  
    if (player == null)  
        {

            player = MediaPlayer.create(this, R.raw.audio);

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PlayerStart();

```
    public void pause (View v){  
        if (Player!=null)  
            Player.pause();  
    }
```

```
    public void stop (View v){  
    }
```

```
    private void mediaRelease()  
    {  
        if (Player!=null)  
            Player.release();  
        Player=null;  
    }
```

```
    Toast.makeText (this, "reg", Toast.LENGTH_LONG);  
    }
```

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Some methods related to media player class are

- 1) isPlaying() - this method will return true or false value indicating that audio is playing or not.
- 2) seekTo () - this method returns true or false value to move the location of song on to the particular position on the screen.
- 3) getCurrentPosition () - this method returns the current position of the song in milliseconds.
- 4) getTotalTime () - this method returns the total time consumed by an audio in milliseconds.
- 5) reset () - this method release the media player.
- 6) release() - this method releases any resource occupied the media player.
- 7) setVolume() - this method sets the volume for the current running media player.
- 8) selectTrack () - this method take an integer value and selects the track from the list on the particular index.
- 9) getTrackInfo() - this method returns an array of track info.
- 10) setDataSource () - this method sets the data of the current running audio/video file.

## Video View Class

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xul  
<LinearLayout  
---->

<VideoView  
---  
---  
id=@+id/v1 />

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VideoView v1;

Button v1 = findViewById(R.id.v1);  
String path = "android.resource://" + getPackageName() +  
"/" + R.raw.video\_name;

Uri u = Uri.parse(path);

v1.setVideoURI(u);

MediaController m = new MediaController(this);  
v1.setMediaController(m);  
m.setAnchorView(v1);

VideoView class in android provides a container to display video files. It can load images from various sources such as resources or content provider taking care of converting its measurement from the video so that it can be used for any output screen providing display optimization.

scaling and cropping. Video View class does not retain its full scale when going into background. In particular it does preserve its current state. Applications should save and restore its current ongoing states.

### Methods in VideoView class

1) setVideoURI (URI)

This method is used to set the absolute path of the video file which is going to be played. This method takes URI as an argument.

2) setMediaController

This method of video view class is used to set the controls of video playback.

3) start()

This method is used to start the playback of a particular video file.

4) pause()

This method of video view class is used to pause the current ongoing file.

5) canPause()

This method of video view class tells whether the video view can be paused with the ongoing running file. This method returns a Boolean value either false or true.

6) canSeekForward()

This method of video view class tells whether

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The video is able to seek forward. It returns a boolean value either true or false.

7) `getDuration()`

This method is used to get the total duration of video view. It returns an integer value.

8) `getCurrentPosition()`

This method is used to fetch the current position of playback. It returns an integer value.

9) `isPlaying()`

This method tells whether the video is currently playing or not. It returns a boolean value either true or false.

10) `stopPlayback()`

This method of video view is used to stop the video playback.

11) `setOnPreparedListener()`

This method is a listener which allows a callback method to call the video to be ready to play.

12) `setOnErrorListener()`

This method allows a callback() to be called when an error occurs during the video playback.

i) `setOnCompletionListener()`  
This listener allows a callback method to be called when the end of the video is reached.

Methods of MediaController class in Android

1) `setAnchorView()`

This method is used to designate the view to which the controller is to be anchored. This controls the location of the controller on the screen.

2) `show()`

This method is used to show the controller on the screen.

3) `show(at timeout)`

This method is used to set the time to show the controller on the screen.

4) `hide()`

This method is used to hide the video controller from the screen.

5) `isShowing()`

This method returns a boolean value indicating whether the controls are visible or not.

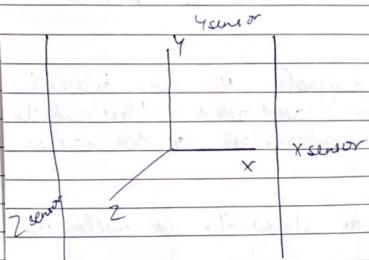
Q Develop an android application to include Video view class and implement video playback controls on it.

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## Sensor

Positional      Motion      Environmental



Develop an android app to exhibit all the inbuilt sensors in a particular device.

xml <TextView  
id = " + t1 >

Java TextView t2;  
SensorManager sm;

```
t2 = findViewById(R.id.t1);
sm = SensorManager.getSystemService(SENSOR.  
SYSTEM);
List<Sensor> ml = sm.getSensorList(Sensor.TYPE.  
ALL);
```

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```
for (int i=1; i < ml.size(); i++)
```

```
+2 append("\n" + ml.get(i).getName())
```

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### Sensor Managers

Sensors can be used to monitor three dimensional device movement or change in the environment of the device. Android provides APIs to work with different types of sensors.

Android supports three types of sensors

#### Motion sensors

These sensors measure acceleration forces and rotational forces along three axis.

This category includes gravity sensors, rotation vector sensors etc.

#### Position sensors

These sensors measures the physical position of a device. This category includes orientation sensors and magneto meters.

#### Environmental sensors

These sensors measures various environmental parameters such as ambient air temperature and pressure, humidity. This category includes barometers, photometers & thermometers.

## Android Sensor APIs

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The raw data can be collected by using android sensor API. It provides many classes and interfaces. Some of the important classes and interfaces are

#### SensorManager class

It is used to access various sensors present in the device.

#### Sensor class

This class is used to get information about the sensor such as sensor name, sensor type, sensor resolution etc.

#### SensorEvent class

This class is used to find information about the sensor.

#### SensorEventListener interface

This is used to perform some actions when sensor accuracy changes.

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## SQlite

is another data storage available in android where we can store data in the user's device and can use it any time when required.

SQLite databases in android application are used to perform 4 basic operation known as CRUD where  
C-create R-read U-update D-delete

SQLite database is an open source database which stores data inside user's device in form of text file. It's an offline database that is locally stored in the user's device and there is no need to create any connection to connect database.

Data is stored in SQLite database in the form of tables. The tables are arranged similar to as excel sheets.

Some important methods are

1) `getColumnName()` :- This method is used to get the name of column of SQLite tables.

2) `getCount()` :- This method will return the no of rows on the cursor

3) `isClosed()` :- This method returns a boolean value when the cursor is closed

4) `getColumnNameCount()` :- This method returns the total number of columns present in the table.

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5)

This method will return the name of the column when a particular index is passed inside this method.

6)

`getColumnNameIndex()` :- This method will return the index of the column when a particular index is passed from the name of the column.

7)

`getCursorPosition()` :- This method will return the current position of cursor in the table.

Database Helper class

This class is used for managing all the operations related to database, a helper class has been given in android studio and is known as `SQLiteOpenHelper()`. It automatically manages the creation and updation of database.

Some methods of `SQLiteOpenHelper` class are

1) `public void onCreate(SQLiteDatabase db)` :-

This method is called on once when the database is created for the first time.

2) `public void onUpgrade()` :- This method is called when the database is needed to be upgraded.

3) `public synchronized void close()` :- This method is called to close the database object

4) `public void onDegrade()` :- The method is called when the database is required to be downgraded.

5) `void execSQL()` :- This method is used to execute SQL queries.

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6) long Insert () - This method is used to insert records in the database. The table specifies the table name and it doesn't allow a complete null value. If the second argument is null, Android will insert a null but if all the values are null, Android will encounter an exception.

7) int Update () - This method is used to update in the names of the table

8) Cursor query () - It returns the cursor value over the result set

Q Develop an android app to implement google maps into your current running activities

With project  
Create API  
Insert key → copy  
Get API key → activate  
Manifest → meta-data  
activitymaps.xml  
fragment → layout  
Java

android:values = "past"  
googleAPIfile - link app to google map  
String name = file name  
value = past

Q Develop an android app to enable current location into your google maps activity

current  
live location  
cache location

### Google Maps

Android provides the facility to integrate google maps in your application. Google maps are helpful in displaying your current location, navigating, location directions, search a particular location etc.

#### Type of Google maps

There are four different types of google map as well as an optional to no map at all. Each of them gives a different view these maps are as follows.

#### i) Normal Google Map