

Introduction to Android Programming

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Outline

- Utilizing Camera Hardware in Your App
- Drawing 2D Graphics on Screen

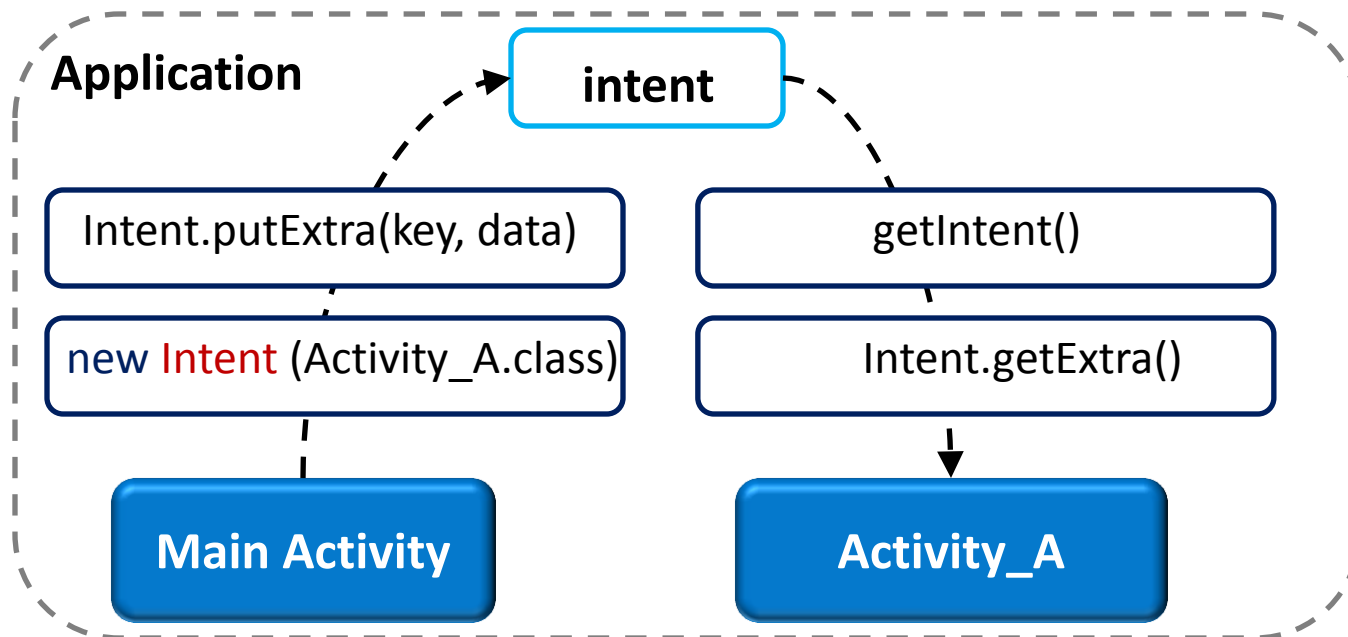
Using Camera in Android App

- Two ways to invoke
 - Use existing camera app via **Intent**
 - ✓ Minimal coding, limited design flexibility
 - Implement your own using **Camera API**
 - ✓ More coding, customized interface and features



Use Existing Camera Apps via **Intent**

- Intent
 - A messaging object which facilitates communication between activities



Intent

- Intent Types

- **Explicit intents**: specify component to start by name. It is used to start component in your own app.
- **Implicit intents**: specify component to start by a general action to perform.

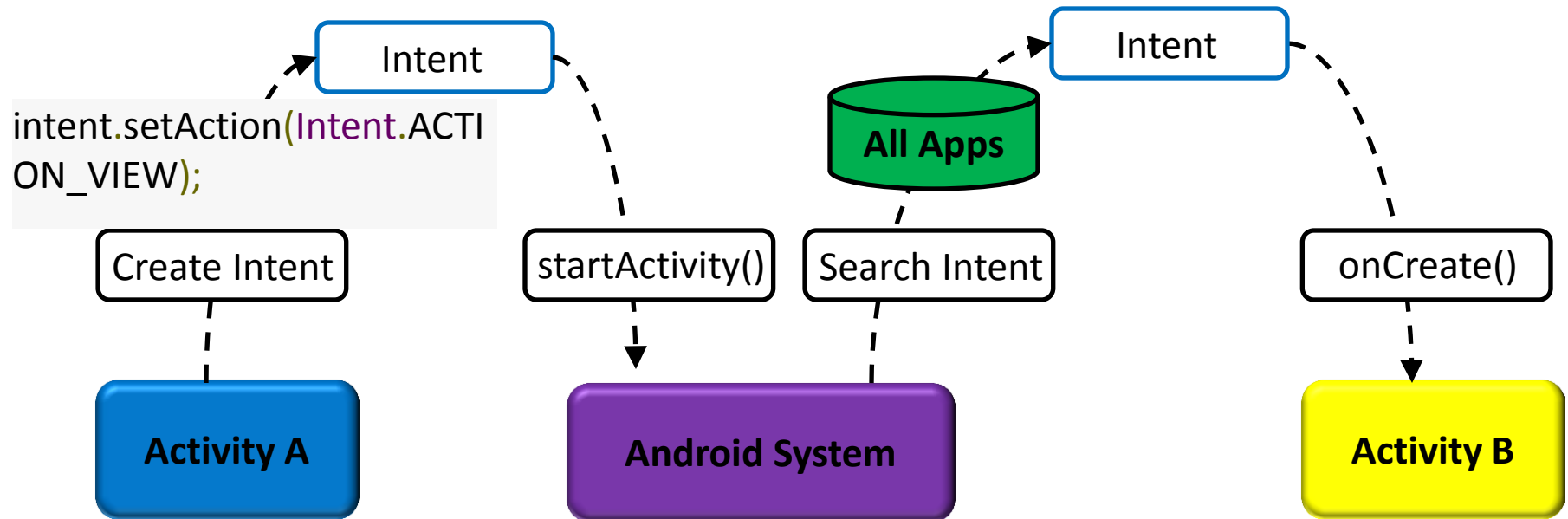
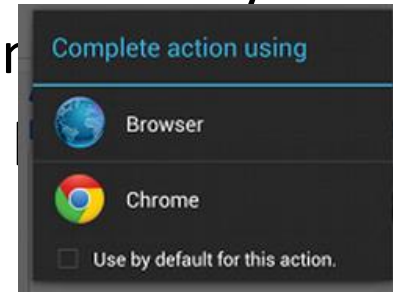


Fig. Illustration of how an implicit intent is delivered to start another activity

Using Existing Camera Apps

- Compose a Camera Intent
 - `MediaStore.ACTION_IMAGE_CAPTURE`
 - `MediaStore.ACTION_VIDEO_CAPTURE`
- Start the Camera Intent
 - `StartActivityForResult()`
- Receive the Intent Result
 - `onActivityResult()`

Example Code: Step 1 & 2

1. Compose a camera intent

Intent action type for requesting an image from an existing camera app

```
// create Intent to start the camera app  
Intent intent = new Intent(MediaStore.ACTION_IMAGE_CAPTURE);
```

```
// create a file to save the image  
File tempFile = File.createTempFile("cameraImg", ".jpg");  
Uri fileUri = Uri.fromFile(tempFile);  
  
intent.putExtra(MediaStore.EXTRA_OUTPUT, fileUri);
```

2. Start the camera intent and display camera app interface

```
//start the image capture  
startActivityForResult(intent,  
    CAPTURE_IMAGE_ACTIVITY_REQUEST_CODE);
```

Example Code: Step 3

3. Receive the intent result (i.e. callback and data)

```
@Override
protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int
                                resultCode, Intent data) {

    if (requestCode == CAPTURE_IMAGE_ACTIVITY_REQUEST_CODE) {
        if (resultCode == RESULT_OK) {

            //display image
            Bitmap img = (Bitmap) data.getExtras().get("data");
            ImageView imageTakePic =
                (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imageView);
            imageTakePic.setImageBitmap(img);

        }
        else if (resultCode == RESULT_CANCELLED) {
            //User cancelled the image capture
        }
    }
}
```


Build Your Own Camera App using **Camera API**

- General steps to build a camera app
 1. Detect and access camera
 - `<uses-feature android:name="android.hardware.camera" android:required="true"/>`
 - `<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CAMERA">`
 - Check at runtime: **PackageManager**.hasSystemFeature(**PackageManager**.FEATURE_CAMERA)
 - **Camera**.open()

Detecting Camera Hardware

- If your app does not specifically require a camera using manifest declaration, you should check a camera is available at runtime

```
/** Check if this device has a camera */
private boolean checkCameraHardware(Context context) {
    if (context.getPackageManager().hasSystemFeature(PackageManager.FEATURE_CAMERA)){
        // this device has a camera
        return true;
    } else {
        // no camera on this device
        return false;
    }
}
```

Accessing Cameras

- Access a camera by getting instance of **Camera** object

```
/** A safe way to get an instance of the Camera object. */
public static Camera getCameraInstance(){
    Camera c = null;
    try {
        c = Camera.open(); // attempt to get a Camera instance
    }
    catch (Exception e){
        // Camera is not available (in use or does not exist)
    }
    return c; // returns null if camera is unavailable
}
```

Customize Camera Interface using **Camera API**

- General steps to build a camera app
 1. Detect and access camera
 2. Create a camera preview class
 - **SurfaceView** : display the live image data
 - **SurfaceHolder.Callback**: capture the callback events for creating and destroying the view

Creating a Preview Class

```
/** A basic Camera preview class */
public class CameraPreview extends SurfaceView implements SurfaceHolder.Callback {
    private SurfaceHolder mHolder;
    private Camera mCamera;

    public CameraPreview(Context context, Camera camera) {
        super(context);
        mCamera = camera;

        // Install a SurfaceHolder.Callback so we get notified when the
        // underlying surface is created and destroyed.
        mHolder = getHolder();
        mHolder.addCallback(this);
        // deprecated setting, but required on Android versions prior to 3.0
        mHolder.setType(SurfaceHolder.SURFACE_TYPE_PUSH_BUFFERS);
    }

    public void surfaceCreated(SurfaceHolder holder) {
        // The Surface has been created, now tell the camera where to draw the preview.
        try {
            mCamera.setPreviewDisplay(holder);
            mCamera.startPreview();
        } catch (IOException e) {
            Log.d(TAG, "Error setting camera preview: " + e.getMessage());
        }
    }
}
```

```

public void surfaceDestroyed(SurfaceHolder holder) {
    // empty. Take care of releasing the Camera preview in your activity.
}

public void surfaceChanged(SurfaceHolder holder, int format, int w, int h) {
    // If your preview can change or rotate, take care of those events here.
    // Make sure to stop the preview before resizing or reformatting it.

    if (mHolder.getSurface() == null){
        // preview surface does not exist
        return;
    }

    // stop preview before making changes
    try {
        mCamera.stopPreview();
    } catch (Exception e){
        // ignore: tried to stop a non-existent preview
    }

    // set preview size and make any resize, rotate or
    // reformatting changes here

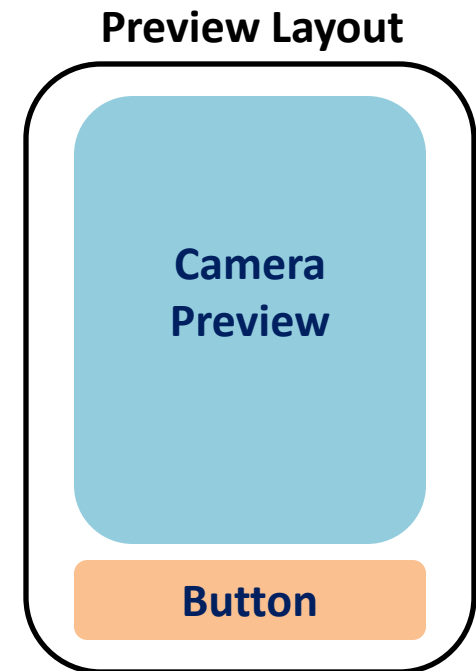
    // start preview with new settings
    try {
        mCamera.setPreviewDisplay(mHolder);
        mCamera.startPreview();

    } catch (Exception e){
        Log.d(TAG, "Error starting camera preview: " + e.getMessage());
    }
}
}

```

Customize Camera Interface using **Camera API**

- General steps to build a camera app
 1. Detect and access camera
 2. Create a camera preview class
 3. Build a preview layout



Placing Preview in a Layout

- Camera preview class must be placed in the layout of an activity along with UI controls for taking pictures

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:orientation="horizontal"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"
    >
    <FrameLayout
        android:id="@+id/camera_preview"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="fill_parent"
        android:layout_weight="1"
        />
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button_capture"
        android:text="Capture"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_gravity="center"
        />
</LinearLayout>
```

FrameLayout element is a container for camera preview class


```
public class CameraActivity extends Activity {  
  
    private Camera mCamera;  
    private CameraPreview mPreview;  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.main);  
  
        // Create an instance of Camera  
        mCamera = getCameraInstance();  
  
        // Create our Preview view and set it as the content of our activity.  
        mPreview = new CameraPreview(this, mCamera);  
        FrameLayout preview = (FrameLayout) findViewById(R.id.camera_preview);  
        preview.addView(mPreview);  
    }  
}
```

Customize Camera Interface using **Camera API**

- General steps to build a camera app
 1. Detect and access camera
 2. Create a camera preview class
 3. Build a preview layout
 4. Setup listeners for capture
 - Call **Camera**.takePicture()

Capturing Pictures

- To retrieve a picture, use **Camera.takePicture()** method
 - Implements **Camera.PictureCallback** interface to receive data

```
private PictureCallback mPicture = new PictureCallback() {

    @Override
    public void onPictureTaken(byte[] data, Camera camera) {

        File pictureFile = getOutputMediaFile(MEDIA_TYPE_IMAGE);
        if (pictureFile == null){
            Log.d(TAG, "Error creating media file, check storage permissions: " +
                e.getMessage());
            return;
        }

        try {
            FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream(pictureFile);
            fos.write(data);
            fos.close();
        } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
            Log.d(TAG, "File not found: " + e.getMessage());
        } catch (IOException e) {
            Log.d(TAG, "Error accessing file: " + e.getMessage());
        }
    }
};
```

Adding a Listener to the Capture Button

```
// Add a listener to the Capture button
Button captureButton = (Button) findViewById(id.button_capture);
captureButton.setOnClickListener(
    new View.OnClickListener() {
        @Override
        public void onClick(View v) {
            // get an image from the camera
            mCamera.takePicture(null, null, mPicture);
        }
    }
);
```

```
public final void takePicture (Camera.ShutterCallback shutter, Camera.PictureCallback raw,
    Camera.PictureCallback jpeg)
```

Added in API level 1

Customize Camera Interface using **Camera API**

- General steps to build a camera app
 1. Detect and access camera
 2. Create a camera preview class
 3. Build a preview layout
 4. Setup listeners for capture
 5. Capture and save file
 6. Release the camera

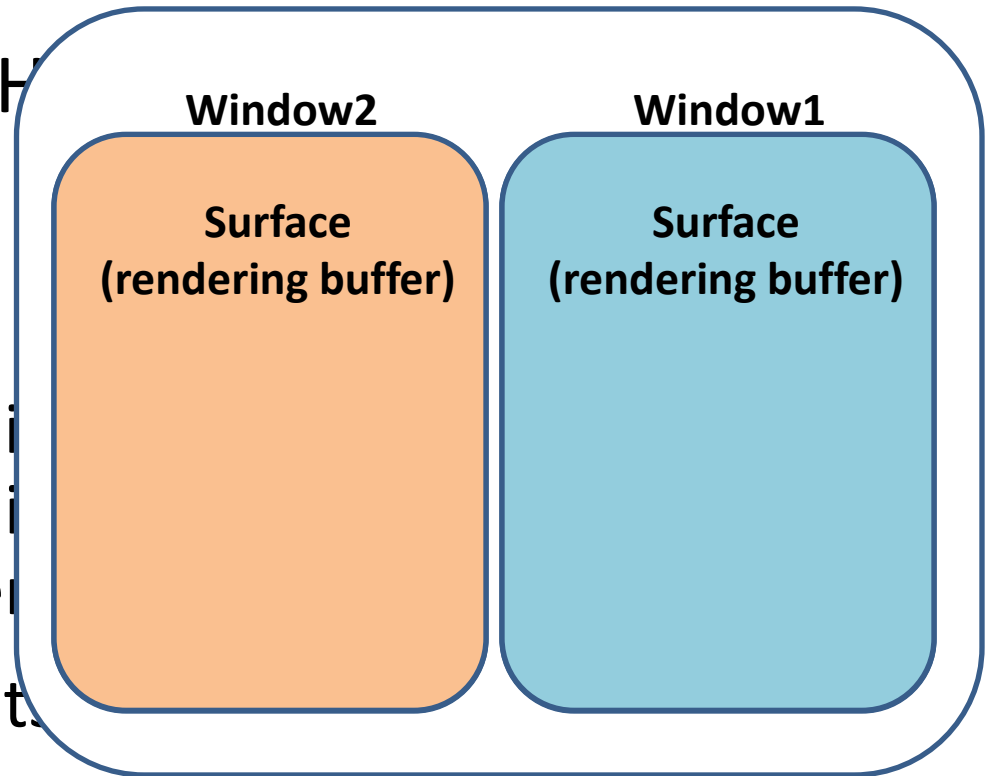
2D Graphics Drawing

Screen

- Where to draw and how
- Terminologies

- **Surface**

- An object (i.e. rendering object) of a window (e.g. dialog box, status bar) is rendered on the surface
- Every window has its own surface
- It has more than one buffer for double-buffered rendering

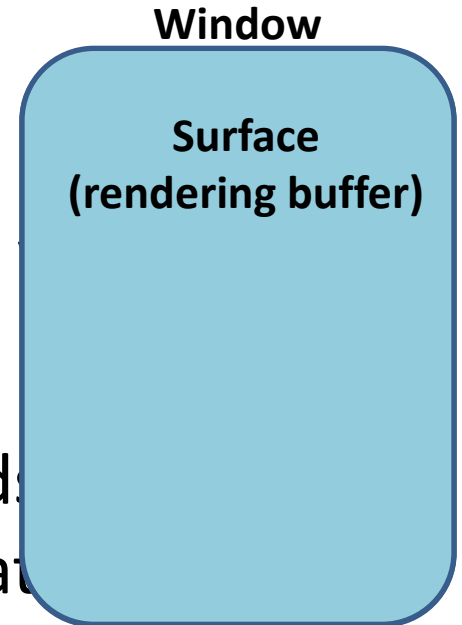


2D Graphics Drawing

- Terminologies

- Canvas

- An interface to Surface upon which graphics will be drawn
 - It provides a set of drawing methods: drawBitmap(), drawCircle(), drawPath()
 - Each Canvas maps to a Bitmap to store the content on the surface



2D Graphics Drawing

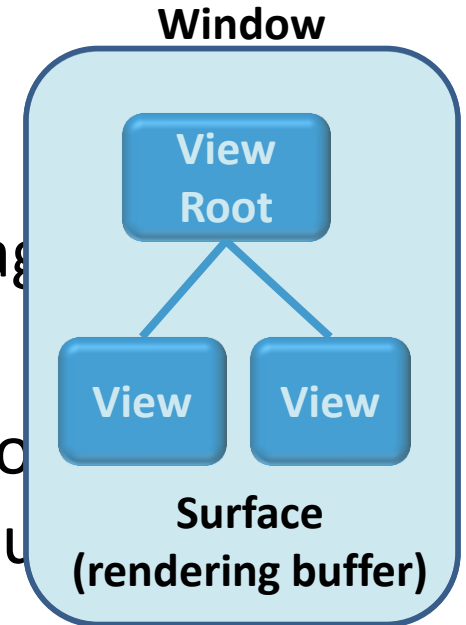
- Terminologies

- **View**

- An interactive UI element (e.g. Image) inside of window
 - View objects within a window are organized in a view hierarchy and share a single surface

- **SurfaceView**

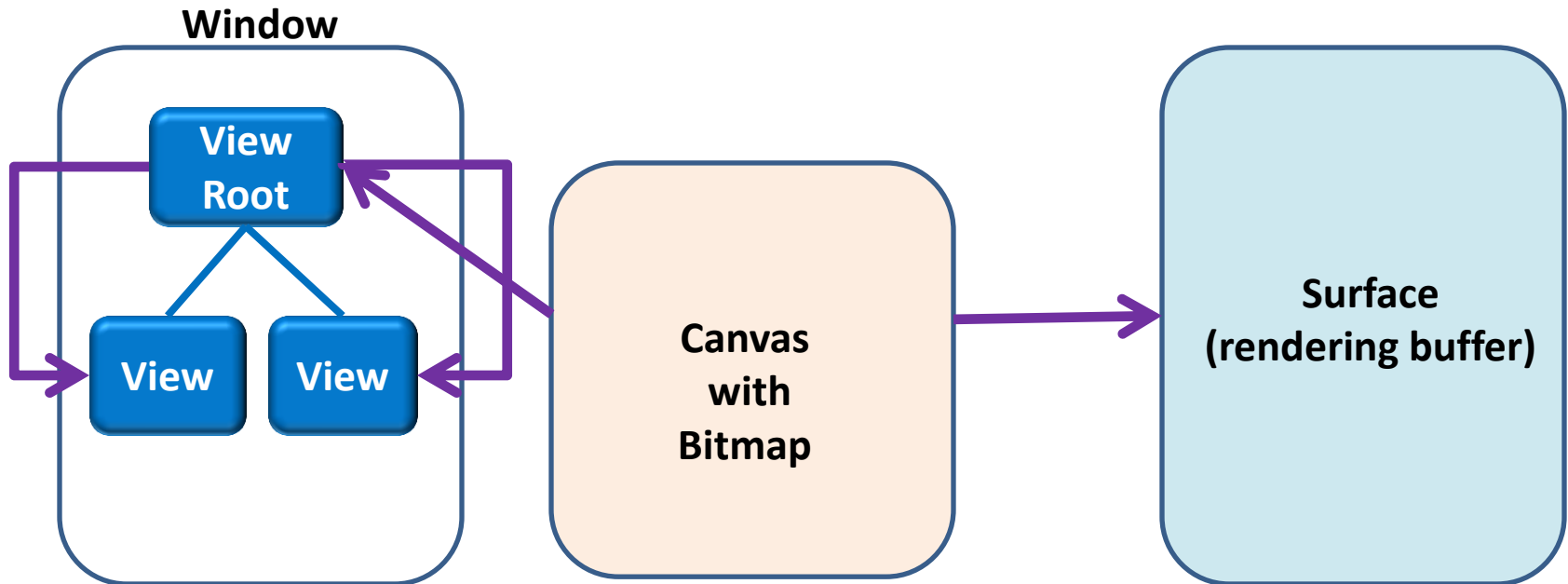
- A special implementation of View that creates its own dedicated Surface to directly draw into



2D Graphics Drawing

- Two ways to draw 2D graphics
 - Draw with a canvas on a View
 - Draw with a canvas on a SurfaceView

Draw on a View



- Go through view hierarchy drawing process
- For apps which do not require frequent redraw

Class DrawView extends **View** {

Paint paint = new Paint();

public DrawView(Context context) {
 super(context);
 paint.setColor(Color.BLUE);
}

@Override
public void **onDraw**(**Canvas** canvas) {
 super.onDraw(canvas);
 canvas.drawLine(10, 10, 90, 10, paint);
}

}



Will be called when we call DrawView.invalidate().

Layout file include **DrawView** (activity_draw_view.xml)

<View

```
class="DrawView"  
android:id="@+id/drawing_area"  
android:layout_width="match_parent"  
android:layout_height="match_parent" />
```

<Button

```
android:onClick="redraw"  
android:layout_width="match_parent"  
android:layout_height="wrap_content"/>
```

DrawActivity

Class DrawActivity extends **Activity** {

@Override

public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
 super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);

setContentView(R.layout.activity_draw_view);
 mDrawingArea =
 (DrawView) findViewById(R.id.drawing_area);

//handle events for button

void redraw(){
 mDrawingArea.invalidate();
}

}

}

Main Activity

Class MainActivity extends **Activity** {

@Override

```
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
```

```
//handle events for button
```

```
{
```

```
    Intent intent = new Intent(this, DrawActivity.class);  
    startActivity(intent);
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Draw on a SurfaceView

- Has dedicated surface, does not need to go through View hierarchy drawing process
- For apps which require frequent redraw

Class DrawSurfaceView extends SurfaceView
implements SurfaceHolder.Callback{

```
SurfaceHolder mHolder;  
DrawSurfaceView(Context context){  
    mHolder = getHolder;  
    mHolder.addCallback(this);  
}
```

```
void surfaceCreated(SurfaceHolder holder) {  
    Canvas canvas = mHolder.lockCanvas();  
    canvas.drawCircle(100, 200, 50, paint);  
    mHolder.unlockCanvasAndPost(canvas); }
```

```
}
```


Questions???