Introduction: Course Organization & Topics

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Module

Understand the structure & contents of the course

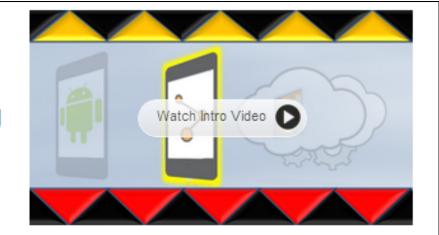


Pattern-Oriented Software Architectures: Programming Mobile Services for Android Handheld Systems

Part of the "Mobile Cloud Computing with Android" Specialization »

In this course—the second in a trans-institution sequence of MOOCs on Mobile Cloud Computing with Android—we will learn how to apply patterns, pattern languages, and frameworks to alleviate the complexity of developing concurrent and networked services on mobile devices running Android that connect to popular cloud computing platforms.

Preview Lectures



About the Course

The confluence of multi-core and distributed-core processors, inexpensive mass storage, ubiquitous wireless connectivity, and commodity software platforms is driving the need for software engineers and programmers who understand how to develop concurrent and networked software for mobile devices that connect to cloud computing platforms. Despite many improvements in processors, storage, and networks, however, developing quality software on-time and on-budget remains hard. Moreover, developing high quality reusable concurrent and networked software apps

Sessions

May 12th 2014

Go to class

Earn a Verified Certificate

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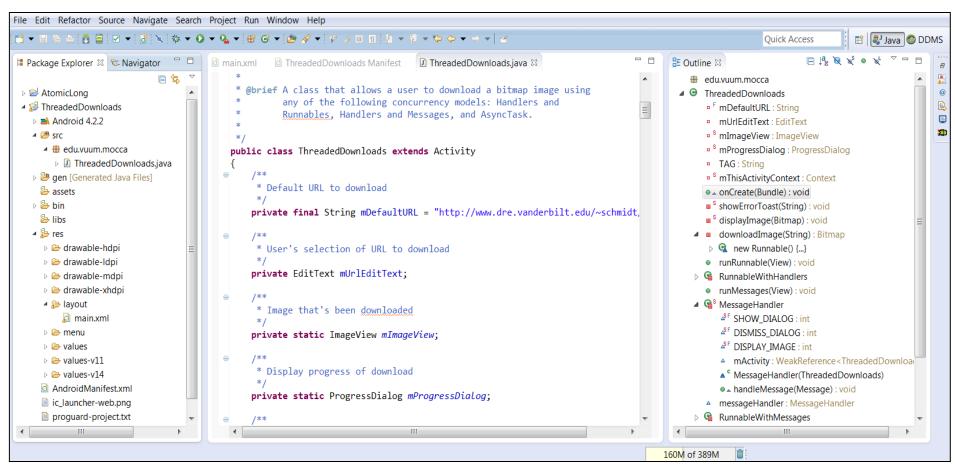


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If you download the videos & watch them locally the quizzes won't appear

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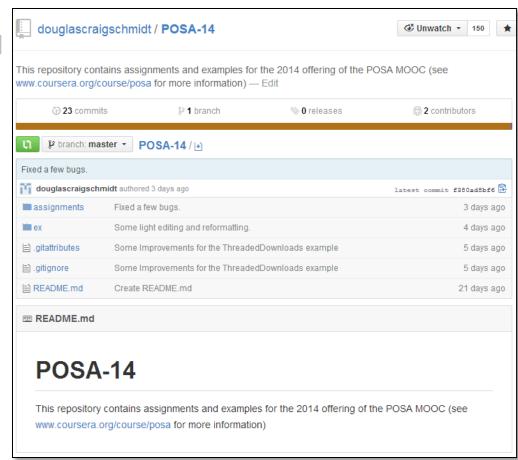


See item #16 at class.coursera.org/posa-002/wiki/FrequentlyAskedQuestions

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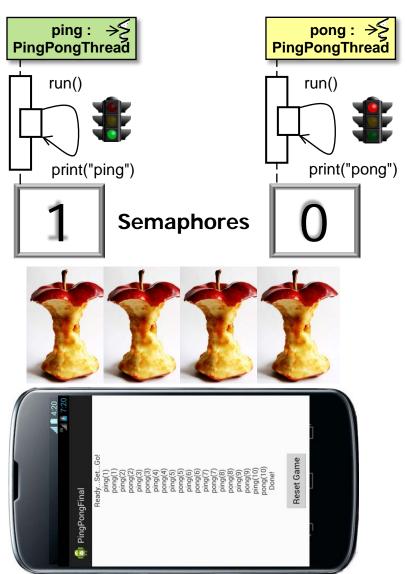
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The POSA MOOC is the second course in the Mobile Cloud Computing with Android (MoCCA) Specialization. It consists of lecture videos with integrated quiz questions designed to ensure students understand the material covered in the videos. In recognition that not all students have the same learning objectives or available time, the POSA MOOC is offered at the following two levels of engagement:

- Normal Track Estimated Time Commitment: 3 4 Hours Per Week. Students at this level will
 be assessed by weekly auto-graded standalone quizzes. This track is designed for those who
 wish to engage the material by taking the auto-graded quizzes, as well as participating in the
 online discussion forums, but who may not have the time/interest to complete the auto-/peergraded programming assignments.
- Distinction Track Estimated Time Commitment: 8 12 Hours Per Week. In addition to
 completing the auto-graded weekly quizzes from the Standard Track, students in this track will
 also complete auto-/peer-graded programming assignments, including (but not limited to) the next
 set of enhancements to the iRemember app begun in Dr. Porter's MOOC on Programming Mobile
 Applications for Android Handheld Systems. The programming assignments will involve writing
 concurrent Android Services and Applications using its pattern-oriented frameworks written in
 Java, This track is designed for those students wishing to achieve mastery of the POSA MOOC
 material and to understand its application in realistic project context. It's also mandatory for
 students in the Signature Track to successfully achieve a Verified Certificate with Distinction to
 take the Capstone project at the end of the MoCCA Specialization.

Students need not explicitly choose which of these two Tracks to take since Statement of Accomplishment will automatically be generated corresponding to the work students successfully perform in the POSA MOOC. The final grade for the course will be calculated as follows:

- Weekly quizzes (Weighting: 100% for "Normal Track" and 30% for "Distinction Track")
 Each quiz will contain a number of equally-weighted questions. You will normally have 14 days to submit the quiz. There will be roughly eight quizzes.
- Programming assignments (Weighting: 70% for "Distinction Track" and not applicable for "Normal Track")

You will have N programming assignments (where N == 5 or 6) by the end of the course, including the iRemember app. You will have roughly 14 days to submit your solution. Each assignment will account for 1/Nth of the total programming assignment points. The total weekly assignment score will be 70% of the final course score for students taking the "Distinction Track".

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 - Part 3: Motivating Java Synchronization & Scheduling Mechanisms
 - Part 4: Java Synchronization & Scheduling Classes
 - Part 5: Java ReentrantLock
 - Part 6: Java ReentrantReadWriteLock
 - Part 7: Java Semaphore
 - Part 8: Java ConditionObject
 - Part 9: Java CountDownLatch
 - Part 10: Java Synchronization & Scheduling Example
 - Part 11: Java Built-in Monitor Objects

- Module 3: Android Concurrency Frameworks
 - Part 1: Overview of Android Concurrency Frameworks & Idioms
 - Part 2: Android Looper
 - Part 3: Overview of Android Handler
 - Part 4: Posting & Processing Runnables to Android Handler
 - Part 5: Sending & Handling Messages to Android Handler
 - Part 6: the AsyncTask Framework
 - Part 7: Programming with Android Concurrency Frameworks (Part 1)
 - Part 8: Programming with Android Concurrency Frameworks (Part 2)

 Section 1 – Android Concurrency





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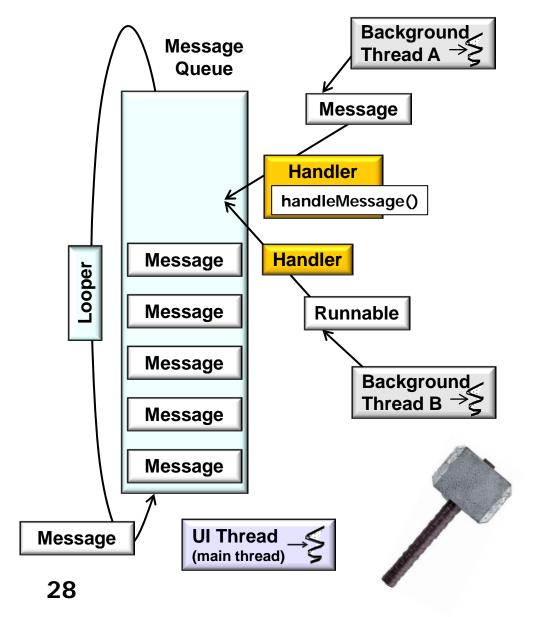


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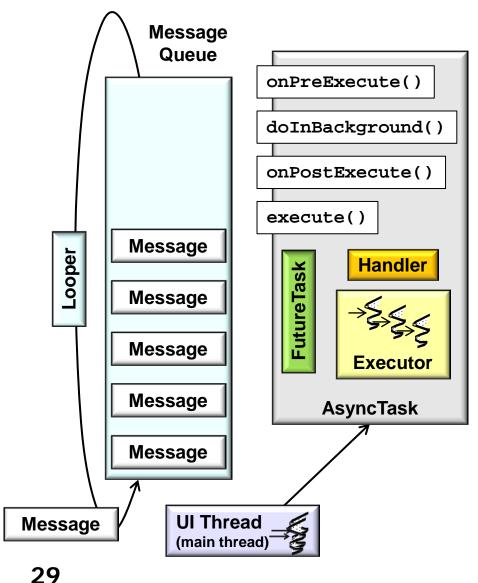
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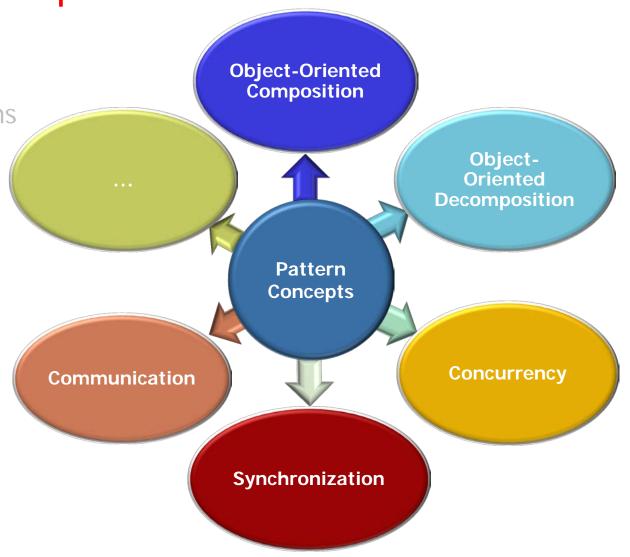




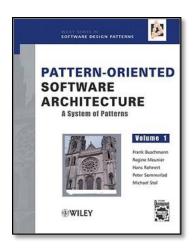
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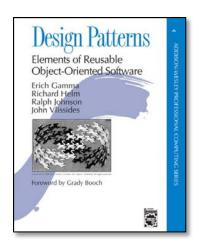
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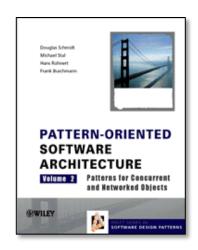
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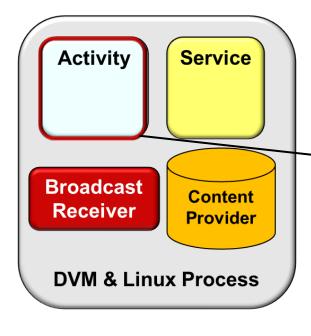


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 - Part 1: Overview of Bound & Unbound Services
 - Part 2: Activity & Service Communication
 - Part 3: Overview of the Android Binder
 - Module 2: Android App Security & Risks
 - Part 1: Overview of the Android App Security Model
 - Part 2: App User Accounts Permissions
 - Part 3: How Android Protects Your App Limitations of that Protection
 - Part 4: An Overview of App Privilege Escalation Attacks
 - Part 5: Understanding the Risks of Storing Sensitive Data in Apps
 - Part 6: App Code Obfuscation Security Limitations
 - Part 7: User Manipulation via Malware

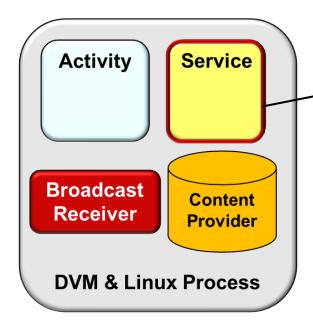
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 - Part 6: Securing Embedded WebViews
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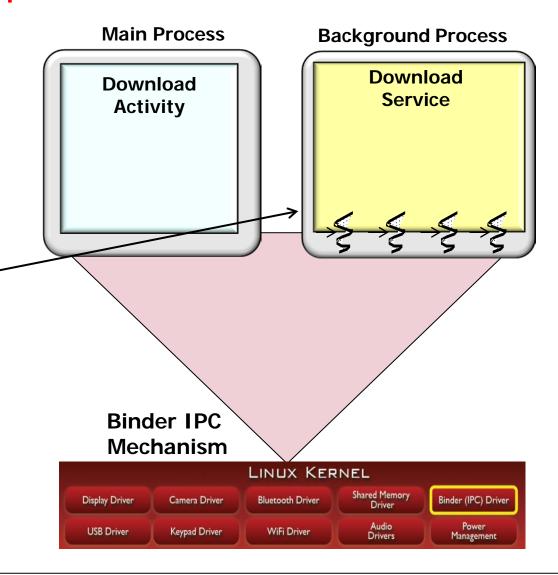
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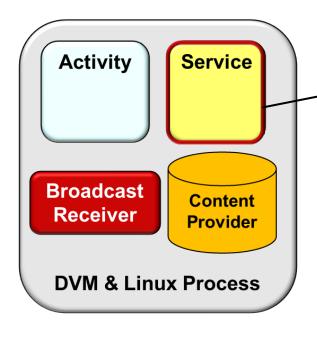


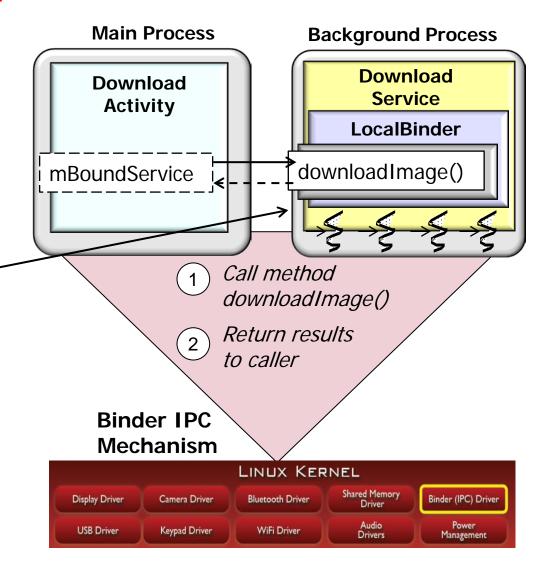
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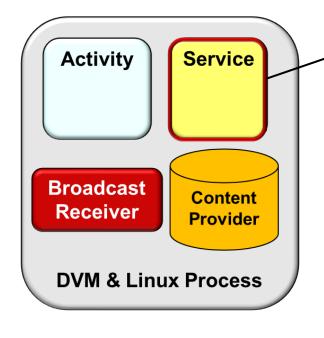


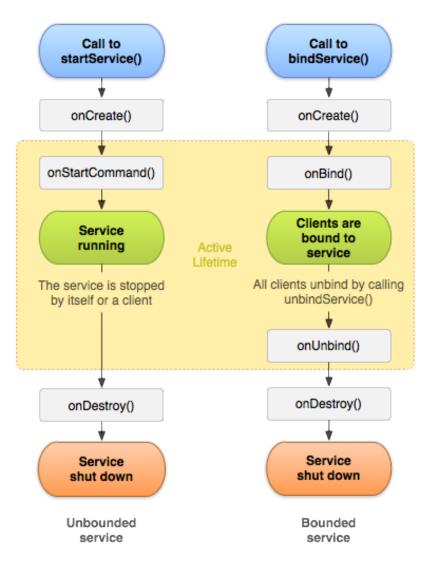
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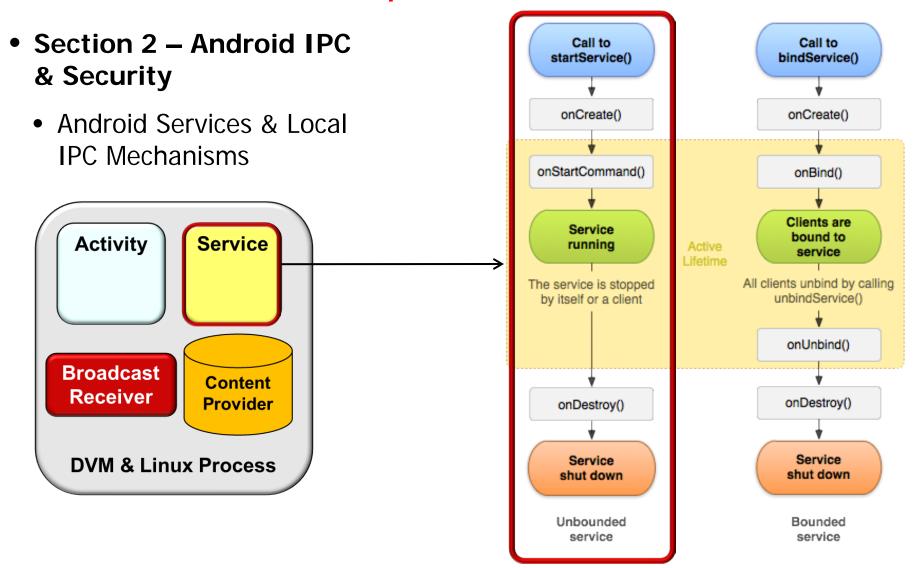


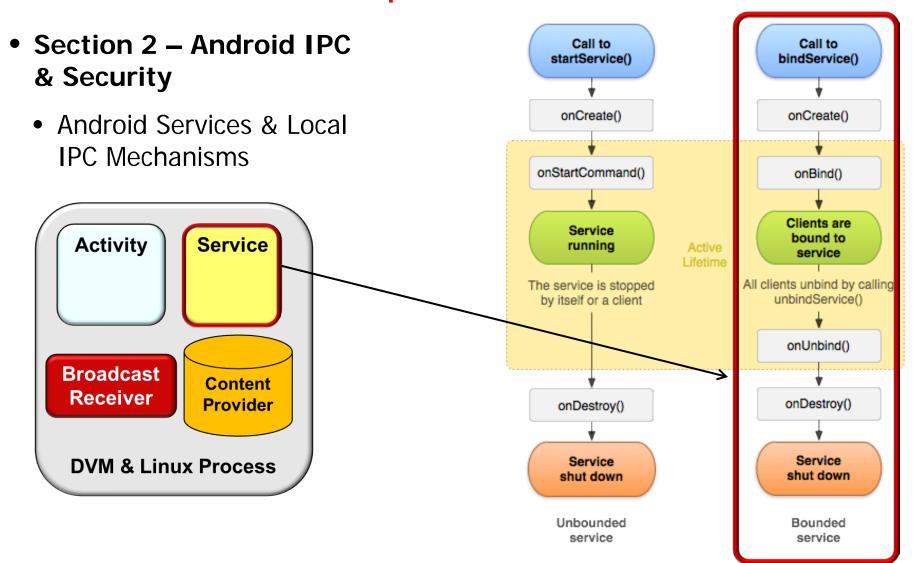


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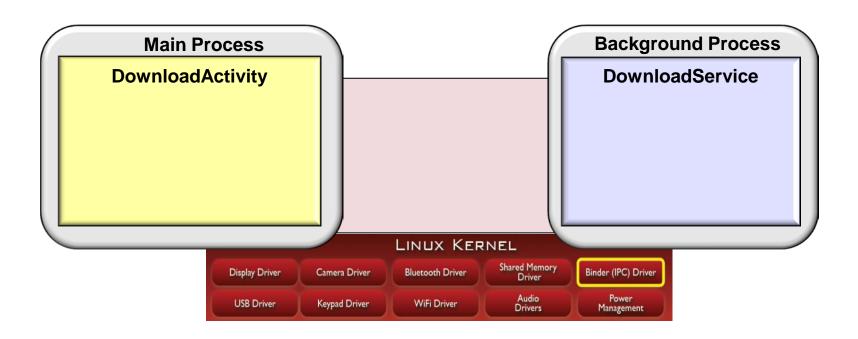






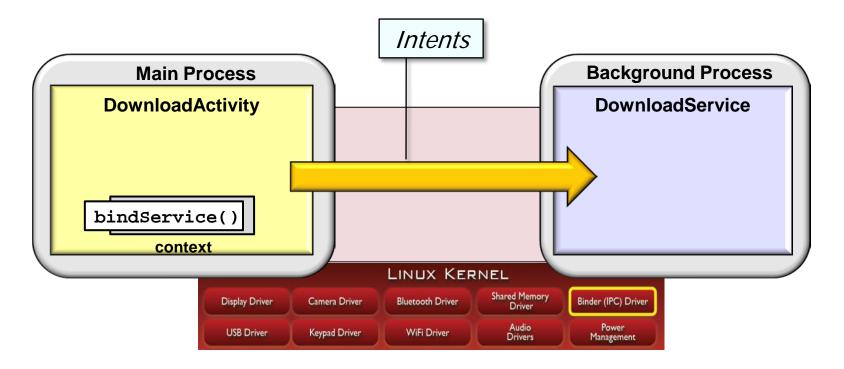


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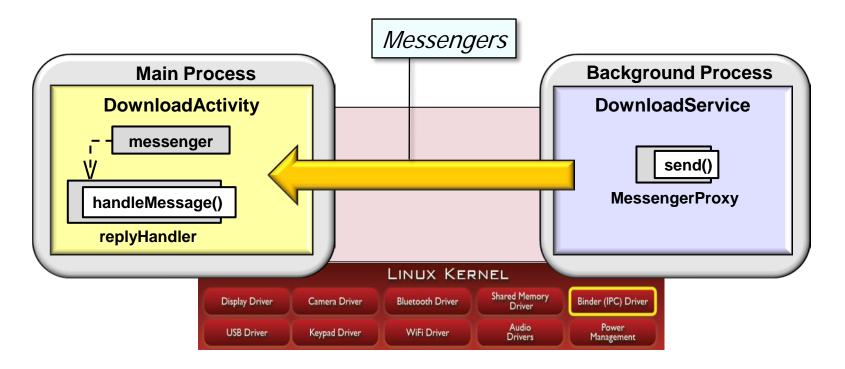


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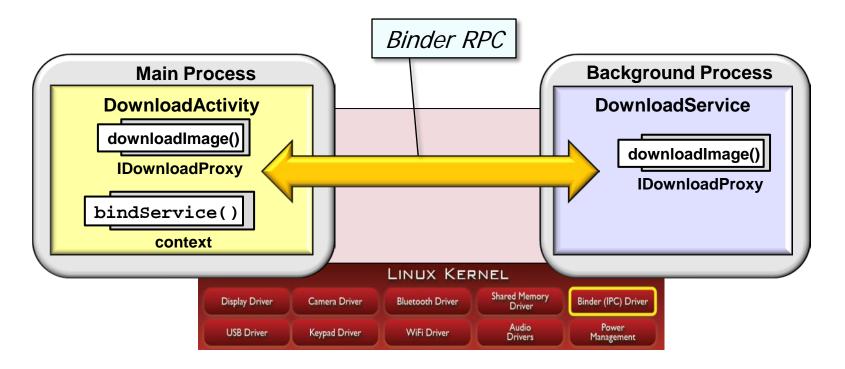
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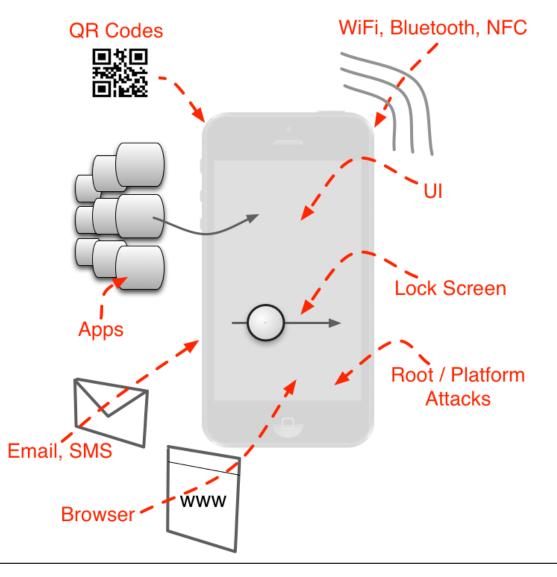


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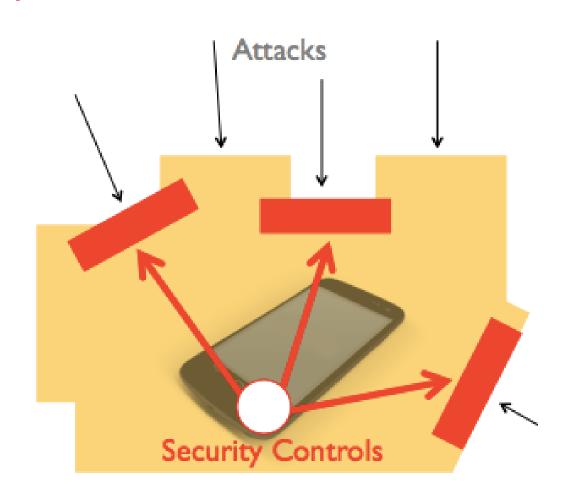


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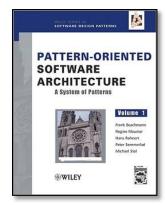


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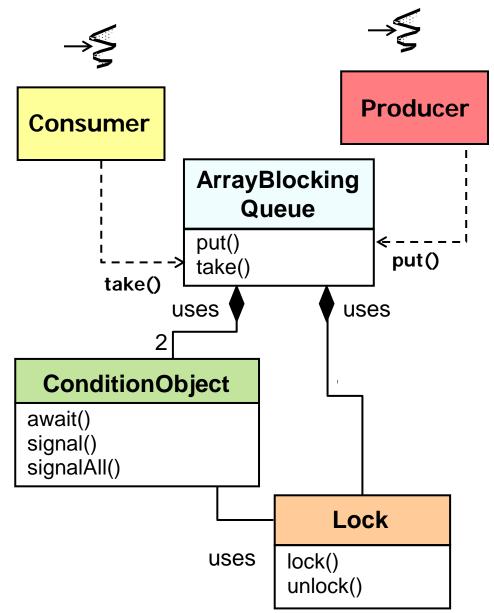
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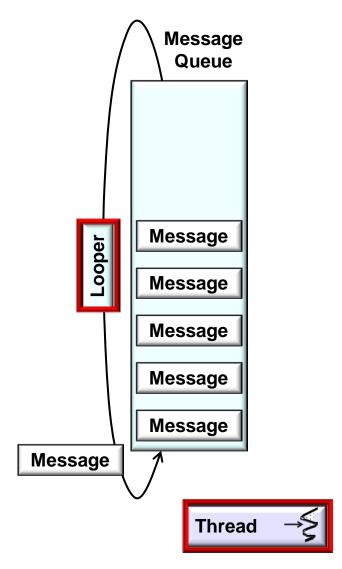




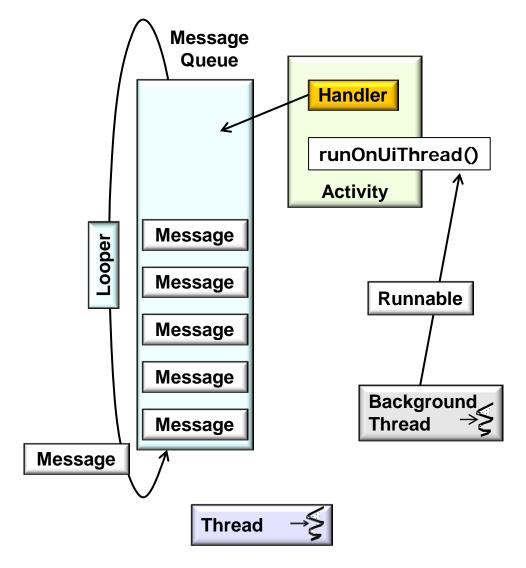
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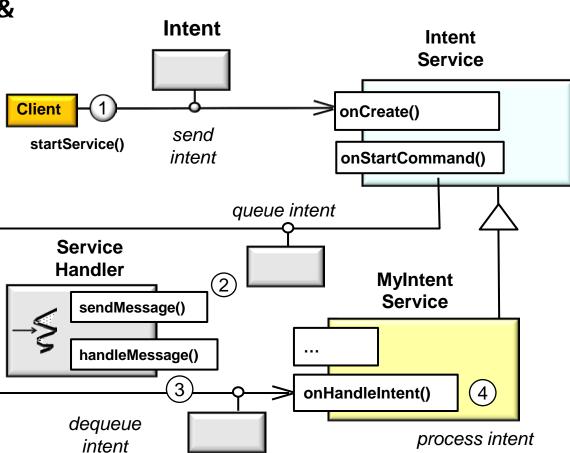


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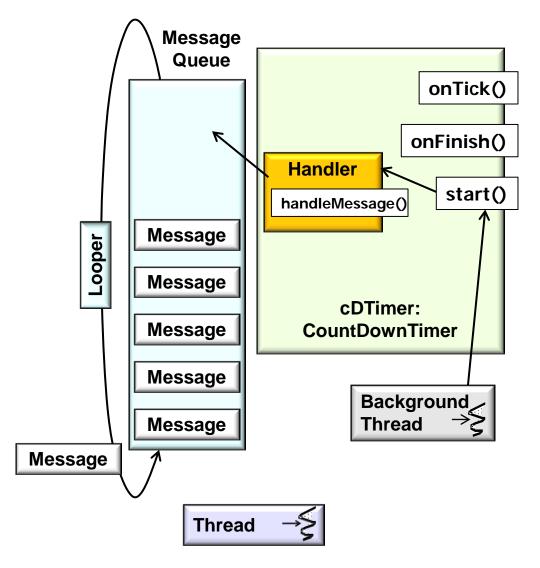


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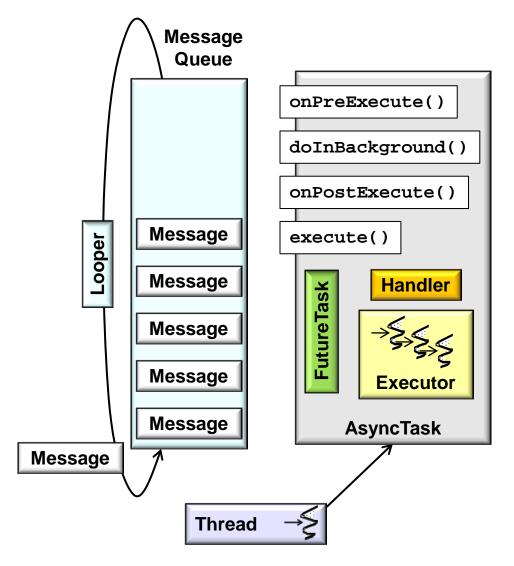
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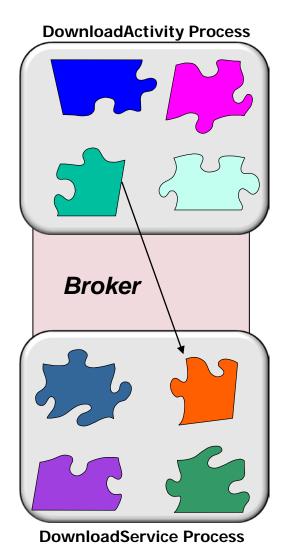
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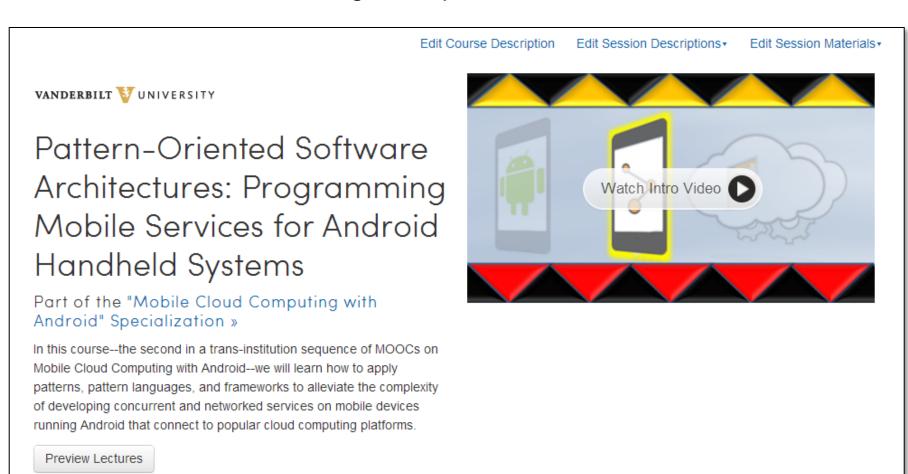
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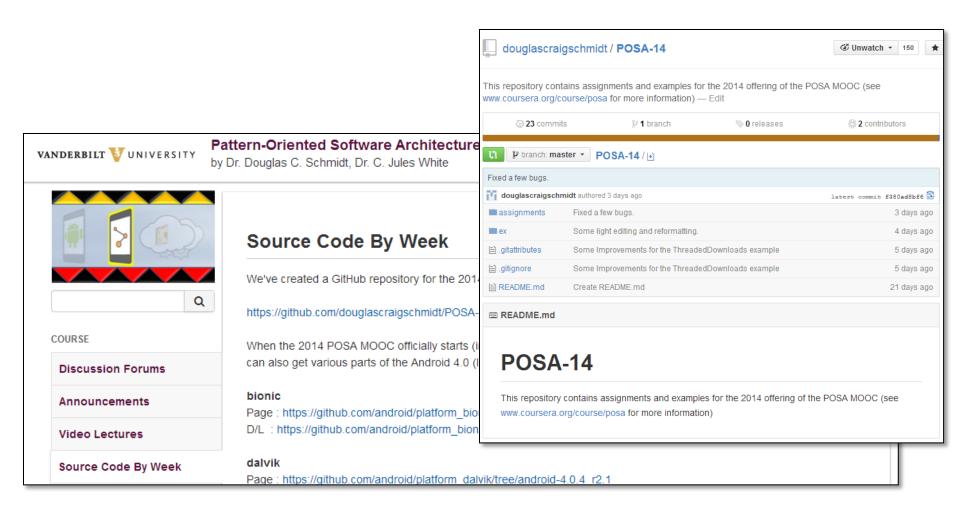
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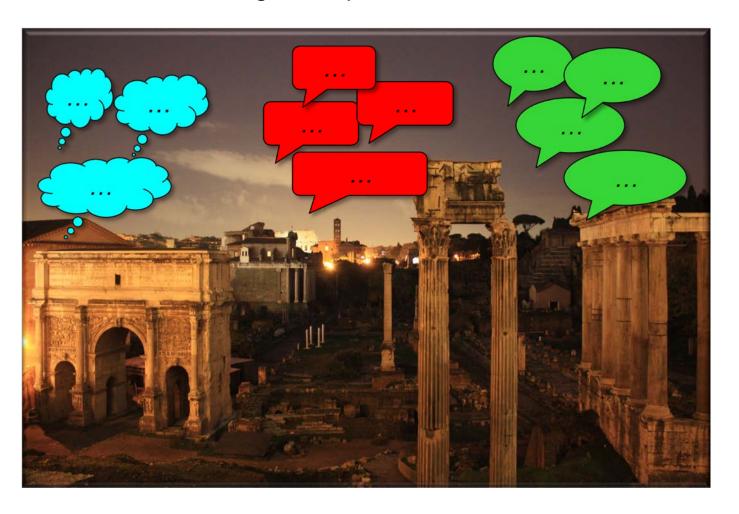






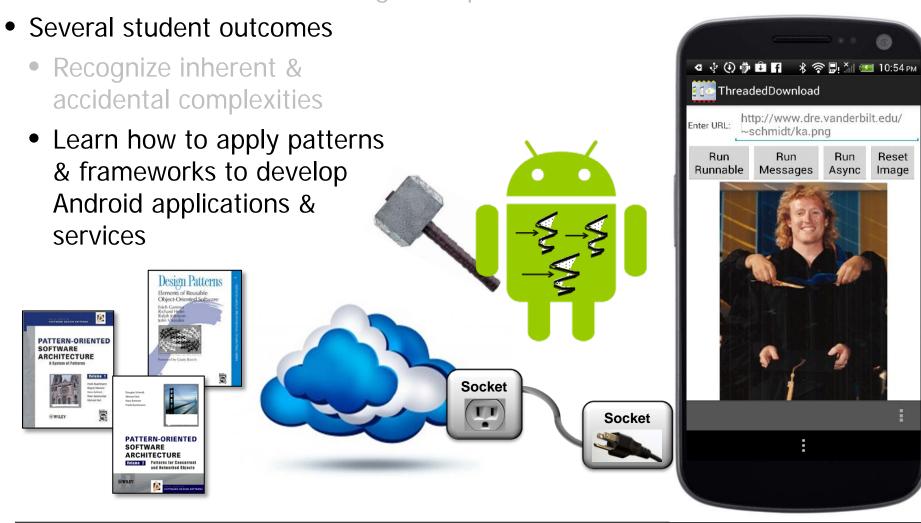




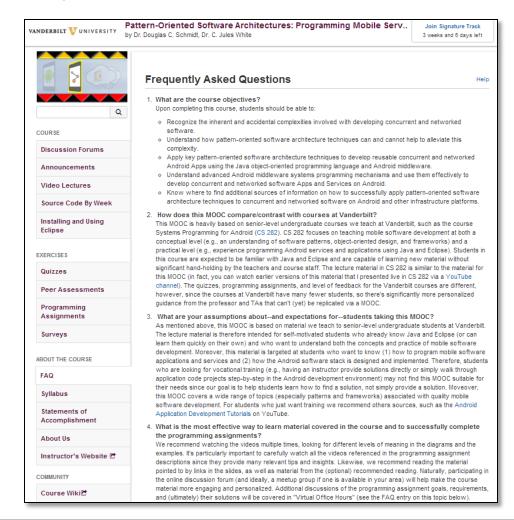


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