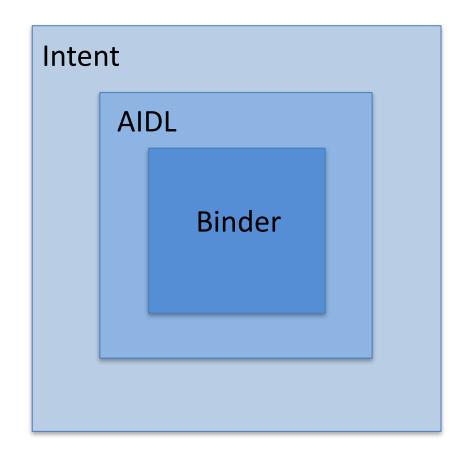
G53MDP Mobile Device Programming

Binder and IPC
Storage

IPC Abstraction

- Intent
 - Highest level abstraction
- Inter process method invocation
 - AIDL
- binder: kernel driver



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root@android:/ # service list
Found 68 services:
        phone: [com.android.internal.telephony.ITelephony]
0
        iphonesubinfo: [com.android.internal.telephony.IPhoneSubInfo]
1
2
        simphonebook: [com.android.internal.telephony.IIccPhoneBook]
3
        isms: [com.android.internal.telephony.ISms]
4
        dreams: [android.service.dreams.IDreamManager]
5
        commontime_management: []
        samplinaprofiler: []
6
7
        diskstats: []
        appwidget: [com.android.internal.appwidget.IAppWidgetService]
8
        backup: [android.app.backup.IBackupManager]
9
        uimode: [android.app.IUiModeManager]
10
11
        serial: [android.hardware.ISerialManager]
12
        usb: [android.hardware.usb.IUsbManager]
13
        audio: [android.media.IAudioService]
14
        wallpaper: [android.app.IWallpaperManager]
15
        dropbox: [com.android.internal.os.IDropBoxManagerService]
16
        search: [android.app.ISearchManager]
17
        country_detector: [android.location.ICountryDetector]
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root	29	1	276	156	c0098770	0000e840	S	/sbin/ueventd
system	30	1	836	344	c0195c08	40036fc0	S	/system/bin/servicemanager
root	31	1	4008	820	ffffffff	4003e76c	S	/system/bin/vold
root	33	1	8632	1232	ffffffff	4006a76c	S	/system/bin/netd
root	34	1	880	388	c01a10a0	40037a70	S	/system/bin/debuggerd
radio	35	1	5468	836	ffffffff	4003776c	S	/system/bin/rild
system	36	1	25336	9348	ffffffff	4006bfc0	S	/system/bin/surfaceflinger
root	37	1	143452	33584	ffffffff	400370e4	S	zygote
drm	38	1	6564	2320	ffffffff	400befc0	S	/system/bin/drmserver
media	39	1	23012	6080	ffffffff	4008cfc0	S	/system/bin/mediaserver
install	40	1	848	456	c021db90	40036d50	S	/system/bin/installd
keystore	41	1	1796	888	c01a10a0	40037a70	S	/system/bin/keystore
root	42	1	828	372	c00b4eb0	40037ebc	S	/system/bin/qemud
shell	45	1	764	460	c0148178	40031d50	S	/system/bin/sh
root	46	1	5516	292	ffffffff	00015ef0	S	/sbin/adbd
root	279	46	752	428	c002a7a0	4003294c	S	/system/bin/sh
root	284	279	720	408	c0098770	400370e4	S	logcat
system	293	37	228248	44312	ffffffff	40036fc0	S	system_server
u0_a20	383	37	154684	20256	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.inputmethod.latin
radio	397	37	170880	23520	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.phone
u0_a21	415	37	167224	29712	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.launcher
u0_a0	445	37	171808	25212	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	android.process.acore
u0_a10	480	37	152876	16772	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.defcontainer
root	521	46	764	476	c002a7a0	4003294c	S	/system/bin/sh
u0_a37	529	37	160068	37056	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.systemui
u0_a17	557	37	153868	16452	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.location.fused
u0_a25	585	37	153388	17488	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.music
system	601	37	161068	18392	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.settings
u0_a14	610	37						android.process.media
u0_a0	632	37						com.android.contacts
u0_a6	650	37	159192	18932	ffffffff	40037ebc	S	com.android.providers.calendar

System Services

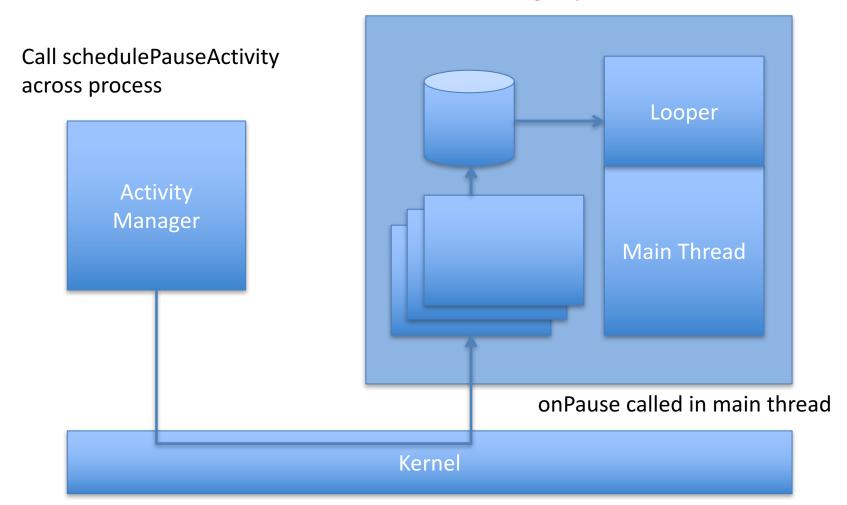
- Entropy Service
- Power Manager
- Activity Manager
- Telephony Registry
- Package Manager
- Account Manager
- Content Manger
- System Content Providers
- Battery Service
- Lights Service
- Vibrator Service
- Alarm Manager
- Init Watchdog

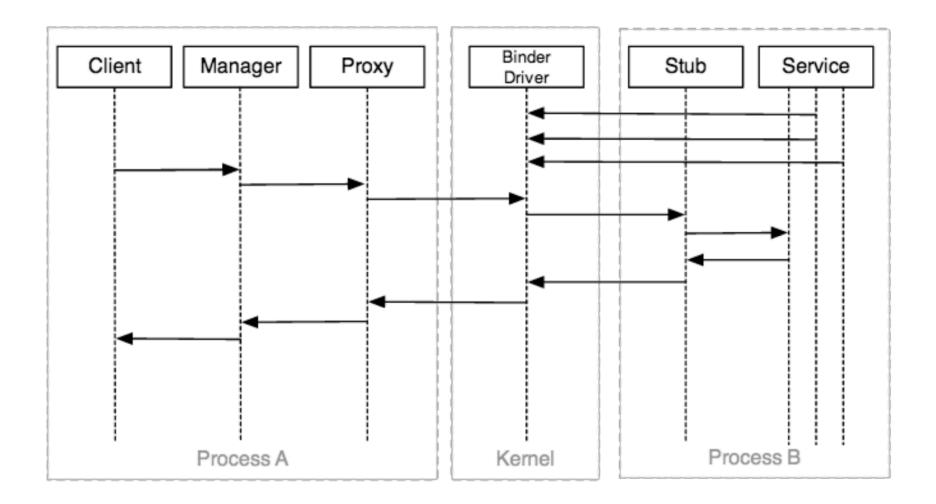
- Window Manager
- Bluetooth Service
- Device Policy
- Status Bar
- Clipboard Service
- Input Method Service
- NetStat Service
- NetworkManageme nt Service
- Connectivity Service
- Throttle Service
- Accessibility Manager
- Mount Service
- Notification Manager

- Device Storage Monitor
- Location Manager
- Search Service
- DropBox Service
- Wallpaper Service
- Audio Service
- Headset Observer
- Dock Observer
- USB Observer
- UI Mode Manager Service
- Backup Service
- AppWidget Service
- Recognition Service
- DiskStats Service

onPause()

Send message by handler





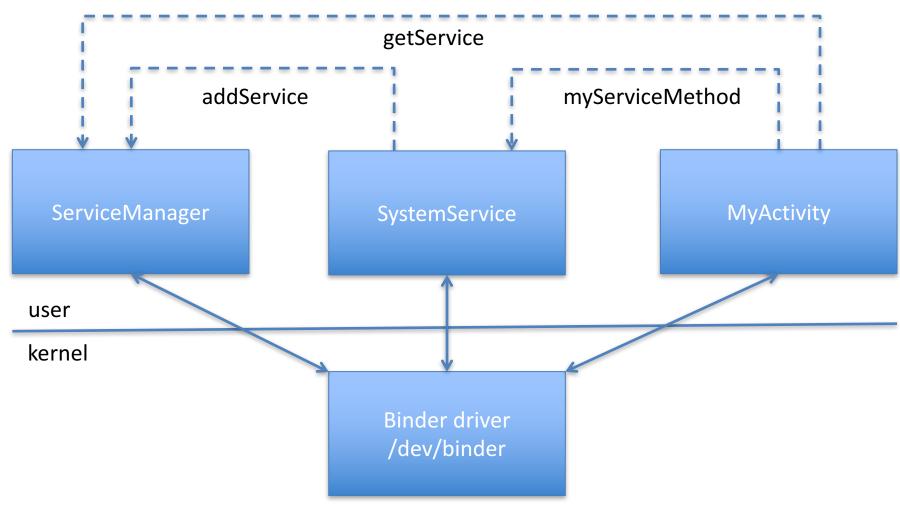
Binder Objects and Tokens

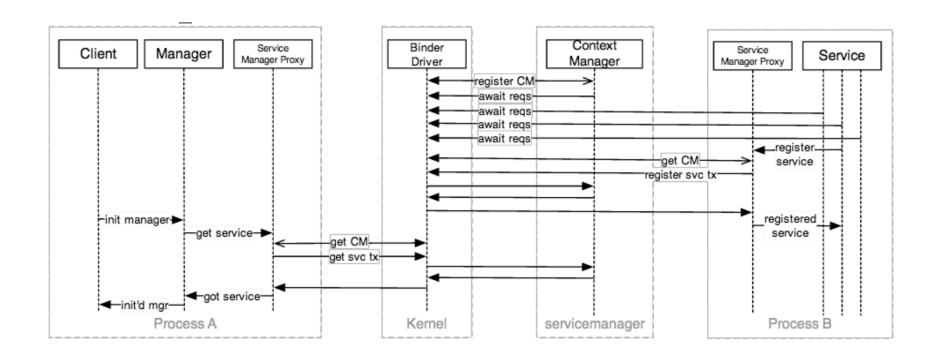
- Binder Object
 - An object that can be accessed through the Binder framework
 - Implements the IBinder interface
 - A unique identity maintained across processes
 - Allocated by the Binder driver
 - Cannot be duplicated
 - A 32 bit handle maintained by the kernel
- Process A creates a binder object <- references memory directly
 - Passes it to process B <- referenced by handle
 - Passes it to process C <- referenced by handle
- Capability-based security model
 - Processes are granted access to a particular resource by giving them a capability in the form of the binder object
 - Binder object as token
 - The possession of a token grants the owning process full access to the Binder object enabling it to perform Binder transactions on the target object
 - The only way to communicate with a Binder object is to be given a reference to it

ServiceManager

- So how do we get the token?
- A single context manager that maintains references to Binder objects
 - Implemented as ServiceManager
 - Hosts many system services within its process
 - A Binder instance with a known Binder handle (0)
 - Knows about other remote services
 - The first to be registered with Binder
 - Only "trusted" system services allowed to register
 - System, radio, media
- Client does not know the token of remote Binder
 - Only the Binder interface knows its own address
- Binder submits a service name and its Binder token to the ServiceManager via IPC
 - Client retrieves remote service Binder handle with service name
 - Client communicates with remote service

ServiceManager





```
public class MainActivity extends Activity {
    private PowerManager.WakeLock wakeLock;
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
         super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
         PowerManager pm =
                 (PowerManager) getSystemService(Context.POWER_SERVICE);
         wakeLock = pm.newWakeLock(PowerManager.PARTIAL WAKE LOCK, "My Tag");
         wakeLock.acquire();
                                                 public final class PowerManager {
    @Override
    protected void onDestroy() {
                                                     private final IPowerManager mService = null;
         super.onDestroy();
                                                     public WakeLock newWakeLock(int levelAndFlags, String tag) {
        wakeLock.release();
                                                         return new WakeLock(levelAndFlags, tag);
}
                                                     public final class WakeLock {
private final IBinder mToken:
                                                         private final int mFlags;
                                                         private final String mTag;
           upaatewakeLockulas(IBInaer, Int[]): vola
           updateWakeLockWorkSource(IBinder, Work
                                                         WakeLock(int flags, String tag) {
                                                             mToken = new Binder();
           userActivity(long, int, int): void
                                                             mFlags = flags;
           wakeUp(long): void
                                                             mTag = tag;
     Proxy in IPowerManager.Stub
        Proxy(IBinder): void
                                                         public void acquire() {
        acquireWakeLock(IBinder, int, String, String, W
                                                             mService.acquireWakeLock(mToken, mFlags, mTag);
        acquireWakeLockWithUid(IBinder, int, String, S
        asBinder(): IBinder
                                                         public void release() {
                                                             mService.releaseWakeLock(mToken);
        boostScreenBrightness(long): void
        crash(String): void
```

Binder Security

- Binder doesn't deal with security
 - Enables a trusted execution environment
 - Transactions via the kernel
 - Client identity managed by the kernel
 - Binder.getCallingUid(), Binder.getCallingPid()
 - UID / PID included in each transcation
- Access controlled in two ways
 - Limit who can obtain a reference to a Binder object
 - Interface reference security
 - Client cannot guess "address" of a service without going via the Service Manager
 - Check caller identity before performing an action on the Binder objectS
 - Service asks package manager about UID permissions
 - Check whether it holds a permission we want to enforce via PackageManager.getPackageInfo(...)
 - Another system service!

Binder Performance

- Reference counting and Death notifications
 - Binder objects automatically freed when no longer referenced
 - Can be notified when a remote binder host process dies
 - Implemented in the kernel driver
- Explicit limitations
 - Transactional buffer size 1Mb per process for all concurrent transactions
 - Many moderately sized transactions could also exhaust its limit
 - Arguments and return values are too large
 - Keep transaction data small
- Implicit limitations
 - Data is copied
 - Duplication of resources
 - Native binary marshalling
 - Better than reflection based serialization.
 - · Still has overhead of parcel marshalling
 - Read byte, read byte, read byte
 - Not ideal for large data-streams
 - Good enough for window / activity / surface management
 - Pass file descriptors to shared memory regions (ashmem anonymous shared memory)

References

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- http://grepcode.com/file/repository.grepcode.co m/java/ext/com.google.android/android/5.1.1 r1 /android/os/PowerManager.java