

# Android Bootcamp with Kotlin

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# About the Trainer

- Mobile developer
- Speaker
- Instructor
- goobar.dev
- Youtube/podcast





# Android Experience



- 10 years working with Android
- 6 years working with Kotlin
- Google Developer Expert for Kotlin
- Wrote a book - “Mastering Kotlin”
- Migrated multiple production codebases to Kotlin
- Tutorials and courses on YouTube

# Introductions

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# Introductions



- Who am I?
- What is my experience with Android?
- What is my experience with Kotlin?
- Why am I taking this training?

# What to Expect this Week?

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# Objectives

At the end of this course you will be able to:

- Better understand the Android ecosystem
- Write Android applications using Kotlin
- Build multi-screen, interactive user interfaces
- Understand Android app architecture, including Fragments, WorkManagers, Navigation and other Android components
- Setup unit tests, debug apps, and integrate external dependencies in Android Studio



# What's the Transformation?



By the end of this week:

- You will be an Android developer
- You will have built multiple applications
- You will have experience with a modern Android development toolset
- You will understand how to build, deploy, and debug Android apps
- You will understand the challenges and opportunities involved with modern Android development



# Why Android development with Kotlin?



- Mobile apps are ubiquitous
- Android is the most widely used mobile operating system in the world
  - <https://gs.statcounter.com/os-market-share/mobile/worldwide>
- Kotlin is the preferred language for Android since 2019



# High-level Topics



- What is the state of Android development today?
- How to setup your Android development environment?
- How to create a new Android app?
- How to write Kotlin code?
- How to build user interfaces?
- How to navigate through an application?



# High-level Topics



- What is MVVM architecture within the context of Android?
- How to perform long-running background work?
- How to persist local data?
- How to fetch and deserialize network data?
- How to manage application permissions?
- How to write unit tests?



# Schedule for the week



- Monday - Foundations
- Tuesday - Building Interactive Applications
- Wednesday - Application Architecture
- Thursday - Performing Background Work
- Friday - Special Topics



# Roadmap for the day



9-9:45	Lesson 1
9:45-10	Break
10-10:45	Lesson 2
10:45-11	Break
11-12pm	Lesson 3
12pm-1pm	Lunch
1-1:45	Lesson 4
1:45-2	Break
2-2:45	Lesson 5
2:45-3	Break
3-4	Lesson 6
4-5	Office Hours

- This is a general outline for the day
- We will adjust as needed



# What to expect during the day?



- We'll include an interactive mix of lecture and labs
- Most sections will include a lab
- The expectation is that we will work through the lab together as we move through the section
- With 1-2 “challenges” to complete on your own at the end of the section
- We will reserve time at the beginning and end of each day to finish up labs and ask questions



# Prerequisites



- Familiarity with any object-oriented programming language, such as Java, JavaScript, or C#
- A basic understanding of git and GitHub



# Technical Requirements



- JDK 11 or JDK 14
- Android Studio 4.2+
- Access to GitHub

# Logistics

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# Note About Virtual Trainings



**What we want**

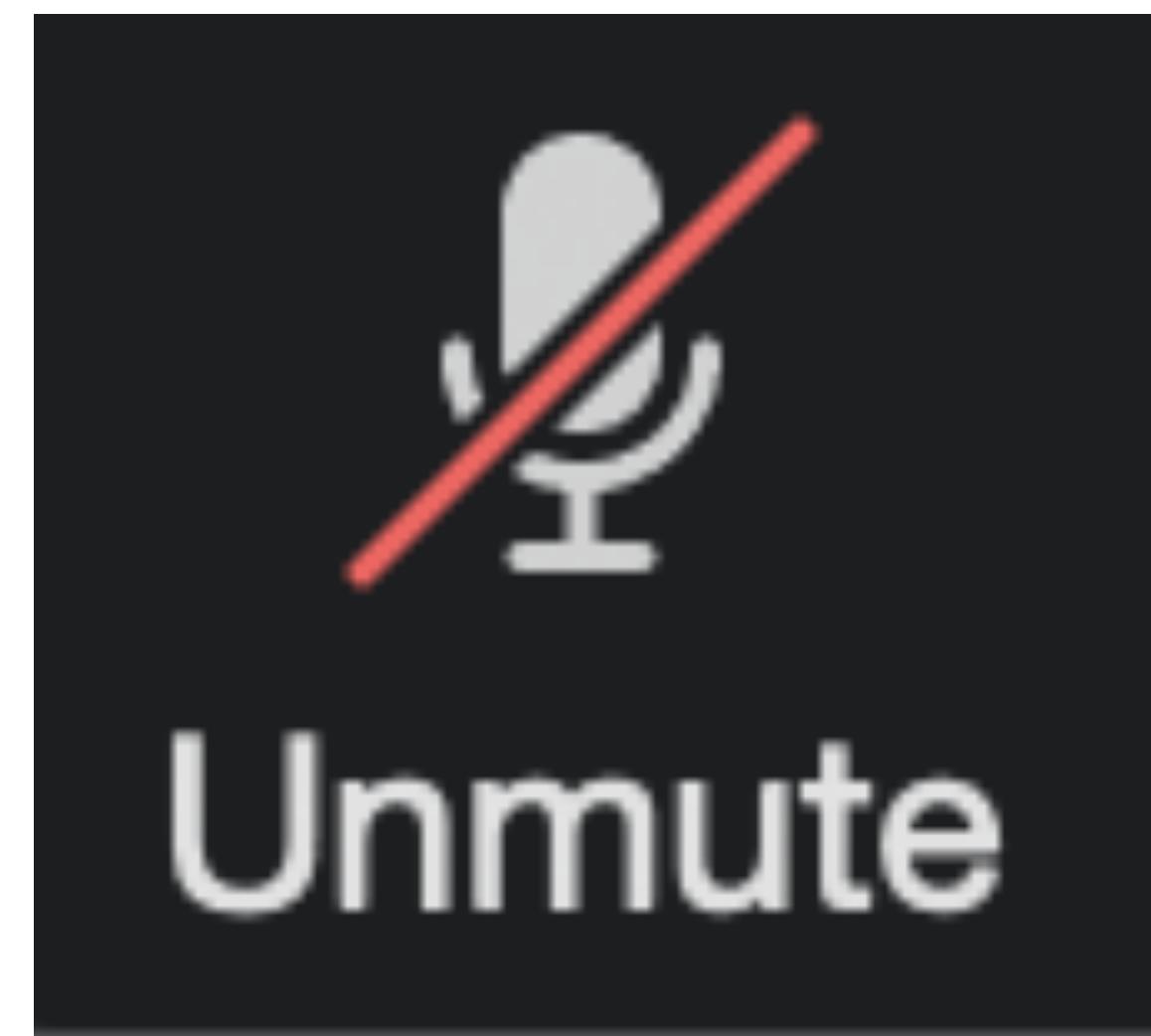
**...what we've got**



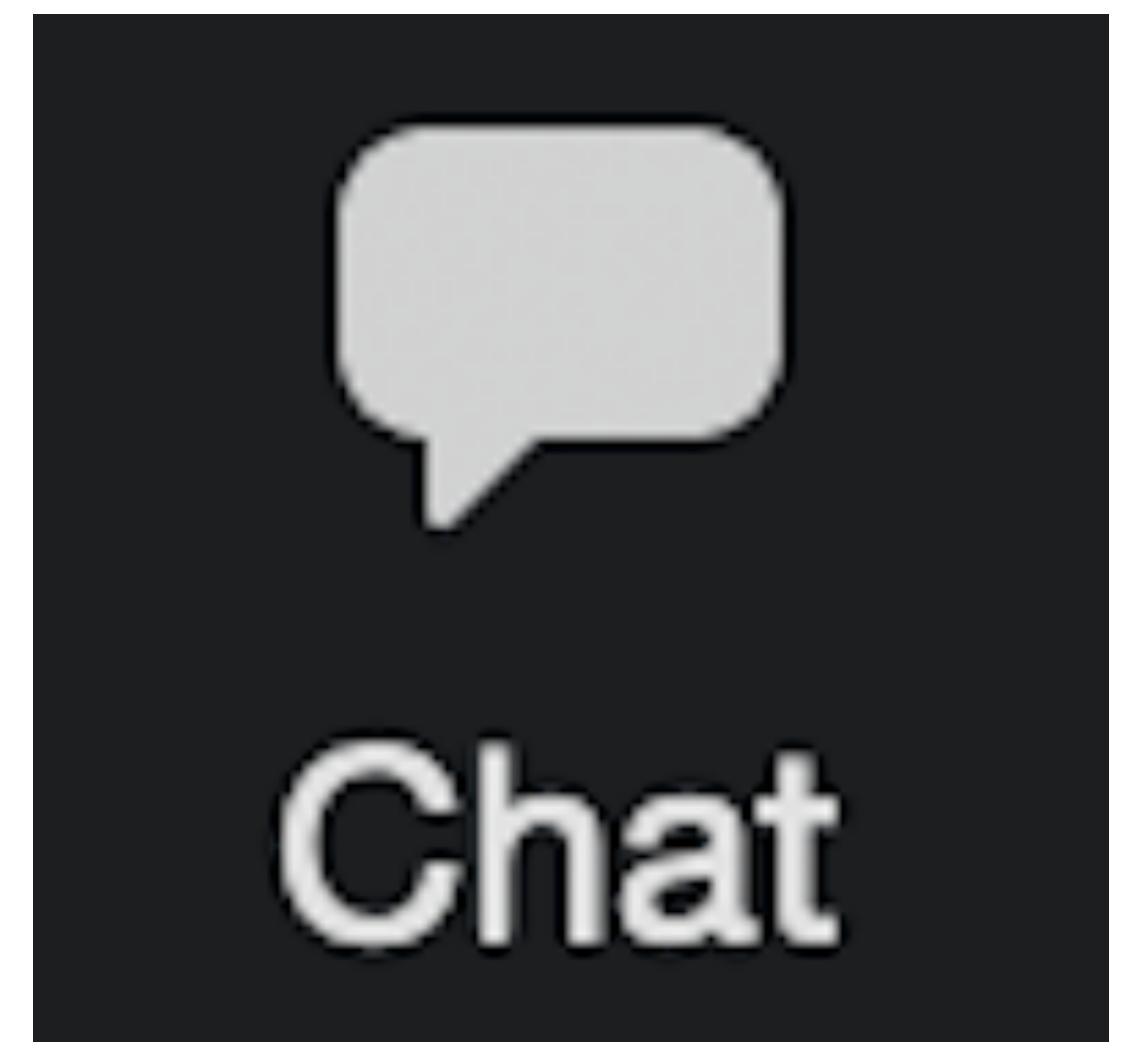
# Virtual Training Expectations for You



**Arrive on time / return on time**



**Mute unless speaking**



**Use chat or ask  
questions verbally**



# Virtual Training Expectations for Me



I pledge to:

- Make this as interesting and interactive as possible
- Ask questions in order to stimulate discussion
- Use whatever resources I have at hand to explain the material
- Try my best to manage verbal responses so that everyone who wants to speak can do so
- Use an on-screen timer for breaks so you know when to be back



# What if I have a problem?



- Send a message in the Slack channel
- Contact Tanya at DI
- Reach out to me via Slack or online (@n8ebel)



# Where to find the materials?



- Code and Labs found on GitHub
- <https://github.com/goobar-dev>



# Post-training resources



- What will be available after the training?
  - Code and Labs will remain available for 1 weeks
  - Recommend forking, or otherwise copying, the repo
- What if you want a recording?
  - Contact Tanya at DI if you would like a copy of the video recording

Any Questions?

# Android with Kotlin Bootcamp

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## Day 1 - Android Foundations



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# Introduction to Android

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# Overview

**State of Android today**

**Challenges and opportunities of Android**

**Android ecosystem**

**Android development tools**

**Distributing Android applications**

Mobile Is Everywhere

# Mobile Operating Systems



iOS



Android

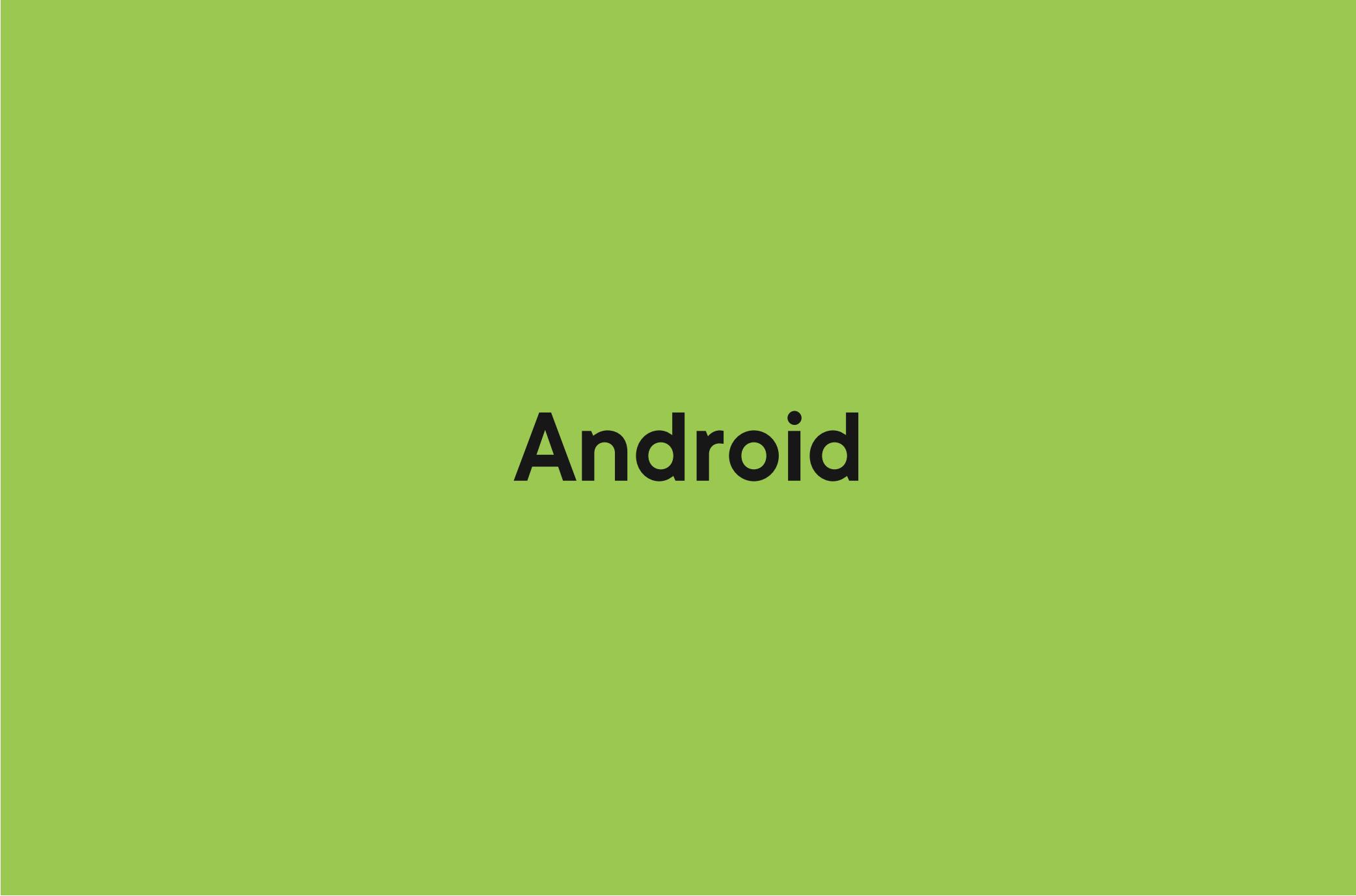
# A Brief History of Android

- 2003 - Android Inc building camera OS
- 2005 - Acquired by Google
- 2007 - v1.0 Beta
- 2008 - G1 Released
- 2009 - Cupcake released
- 2014 - Android 5.0 Lollipop introduces Material Design
- 2020 - Android 11

# Android Open Source Project

**Core of all Android variants**  
**Build on a Linux Kernel**  
**Directed by Google**  
**Open for contribution**  
**<https://source.android.com/>**

# Android vs AOSP



**Android**



**AOSP**

# Android Variants

AOSP

Google's Android

Fire OS

OxygenOS

HarmonyOS

# Android OS Architecture

Apps

SDK

**Native C/C++ Libs & Android Runtime**

**Hardware Abstraction Layer**

Linux Kernel

[https://developer.android.com/guide/  
platform](https://developer.android.com/guide/platform)

# Android SDK

**APIs**

**Tooling**

**Emulators**

**Documentation**

# SDK + Libraries



**SDK**

**Google Libraries**

**3rd Party Libraries**

# How Can We Build Apps?

**Native Apps**

**Cross Platform**

**Thin Web Client**

**PWA**

**Mobile Web**

# Mobile vs Web

## Mobile Native

**Direct access to sensors & apis**

**Highly performant**

**Offline experiences**

**Slower release cycles**

## Mobile Web

**Browser are even more ubiquitous**

**More abstraction**

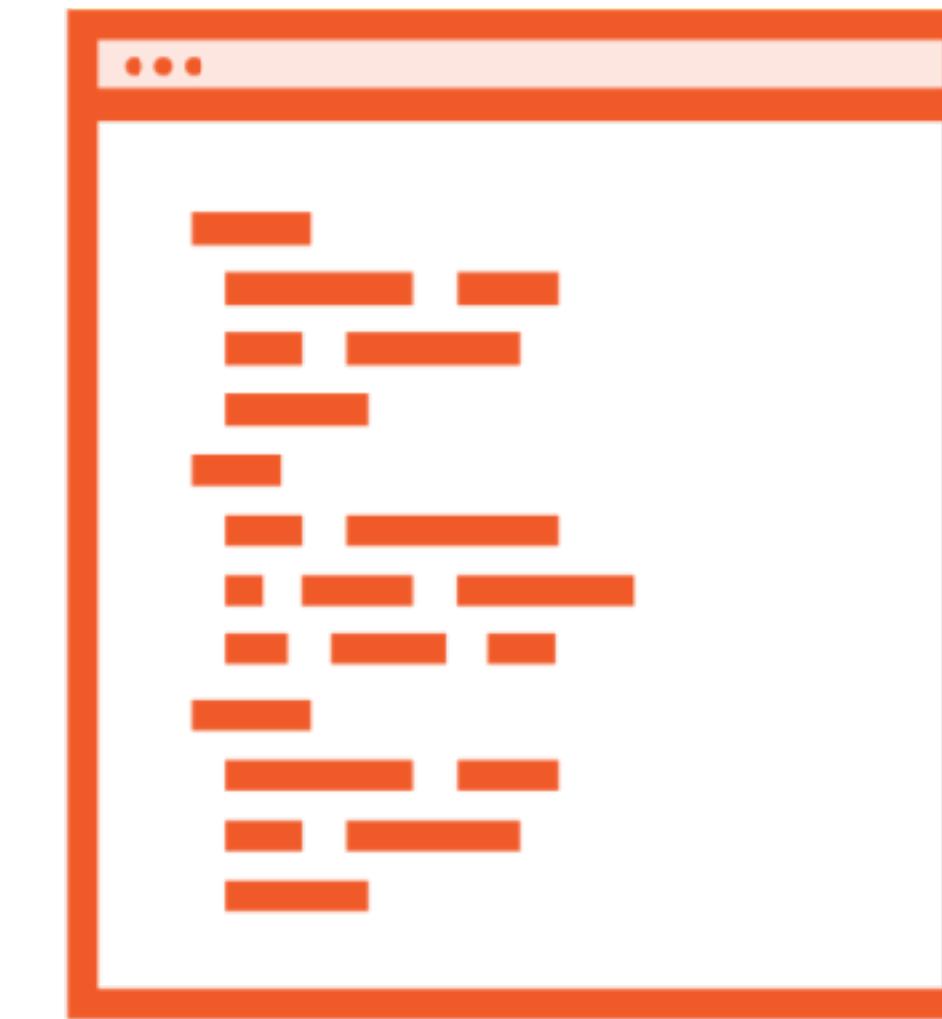
**Single codebase**

**Faster release cycles**

# What Does Native Android Development Look Like Today?



**Android Studio / IntelliJ**



**Kotlin/Java/C++**



**Gradle**

# Where Do Apps Run?

**Phone / Tablet**

**Kindle**

**ChromeOS**

**Windows 11**

**Watches/Auto/IoT**

How can we  
distribute our  
apps?

**APK or Bundle**

**Google Play**

**Other marketplaces**

**Side Loading**

# Challenges of Android Development

**Manufacturers**

**OS Variants**

**Form Factors**

**API Versions**

**Languages**

**Hardware**

# Fragmentation is a major challenge

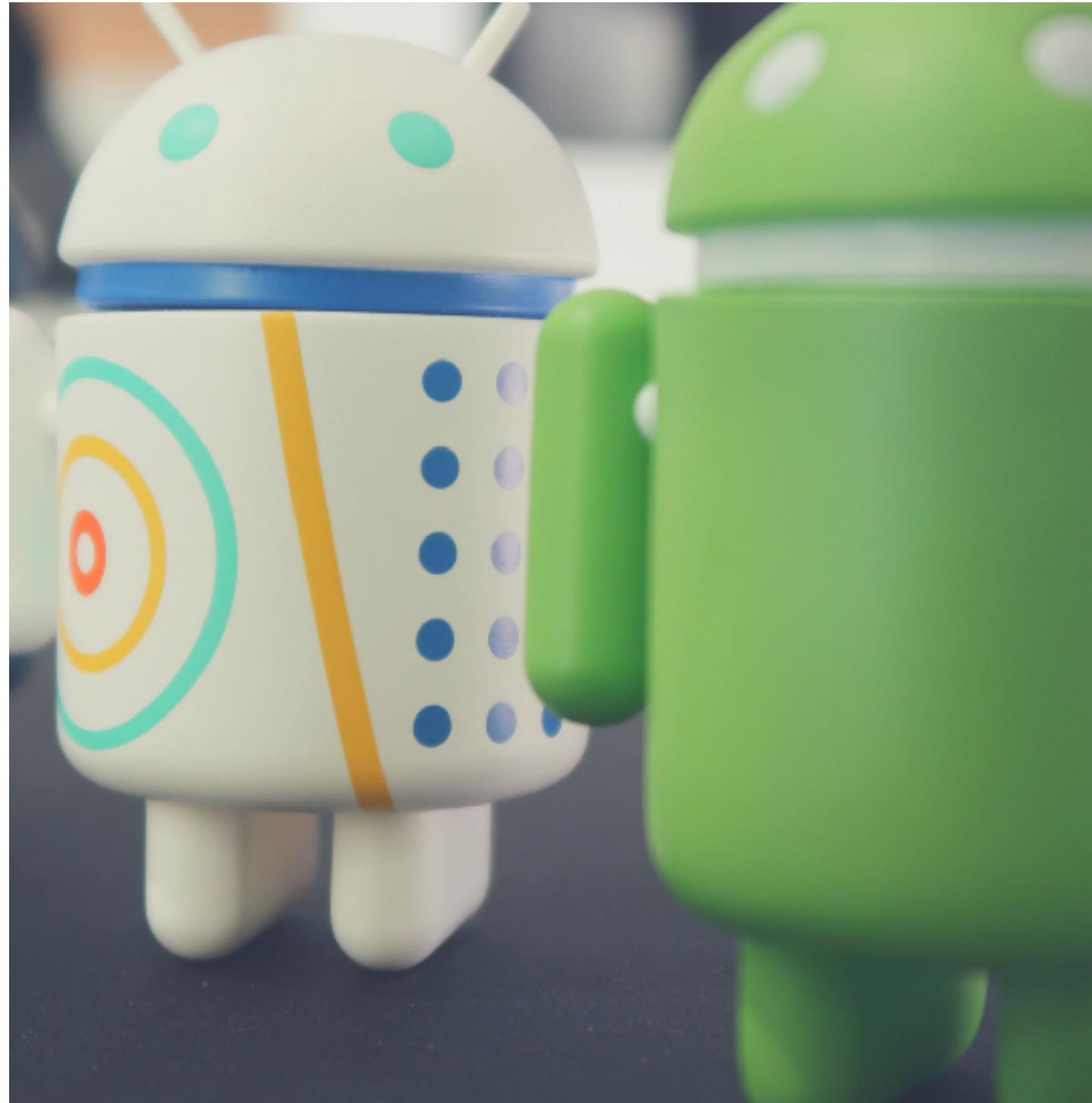
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# How to choose supported users?

**<https://gs.statcounter.com/os-version-market-share/android/mobile-tablet/worldwide>**

# Android Is a Massive Opportunity

# The Android Ecosystem



**Android Jetpack**  
**Google Play Services**  
**Material Design**  
**3rd Party Libraries**  
**Community Support**

# Setting Up Your Android Development Environment

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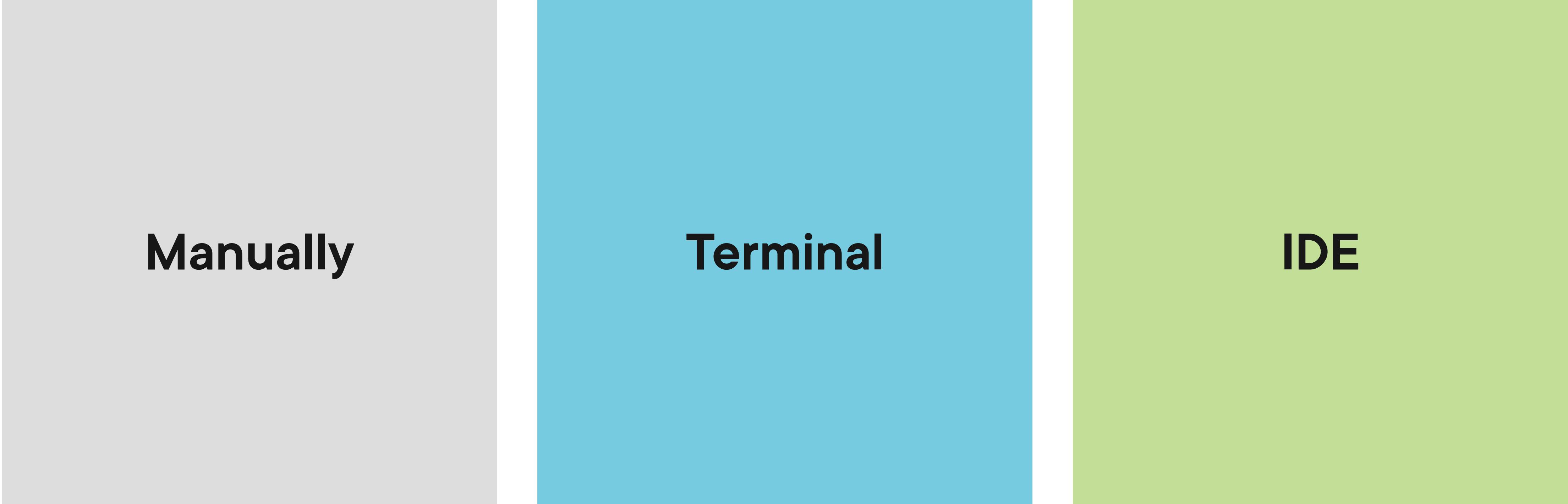
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# Overview

**Installing Android Studio**  
**Creating your first project**  
**Creating an emulator**  
**Building and deploying your first app**

# How Will You Build Your Android Apps

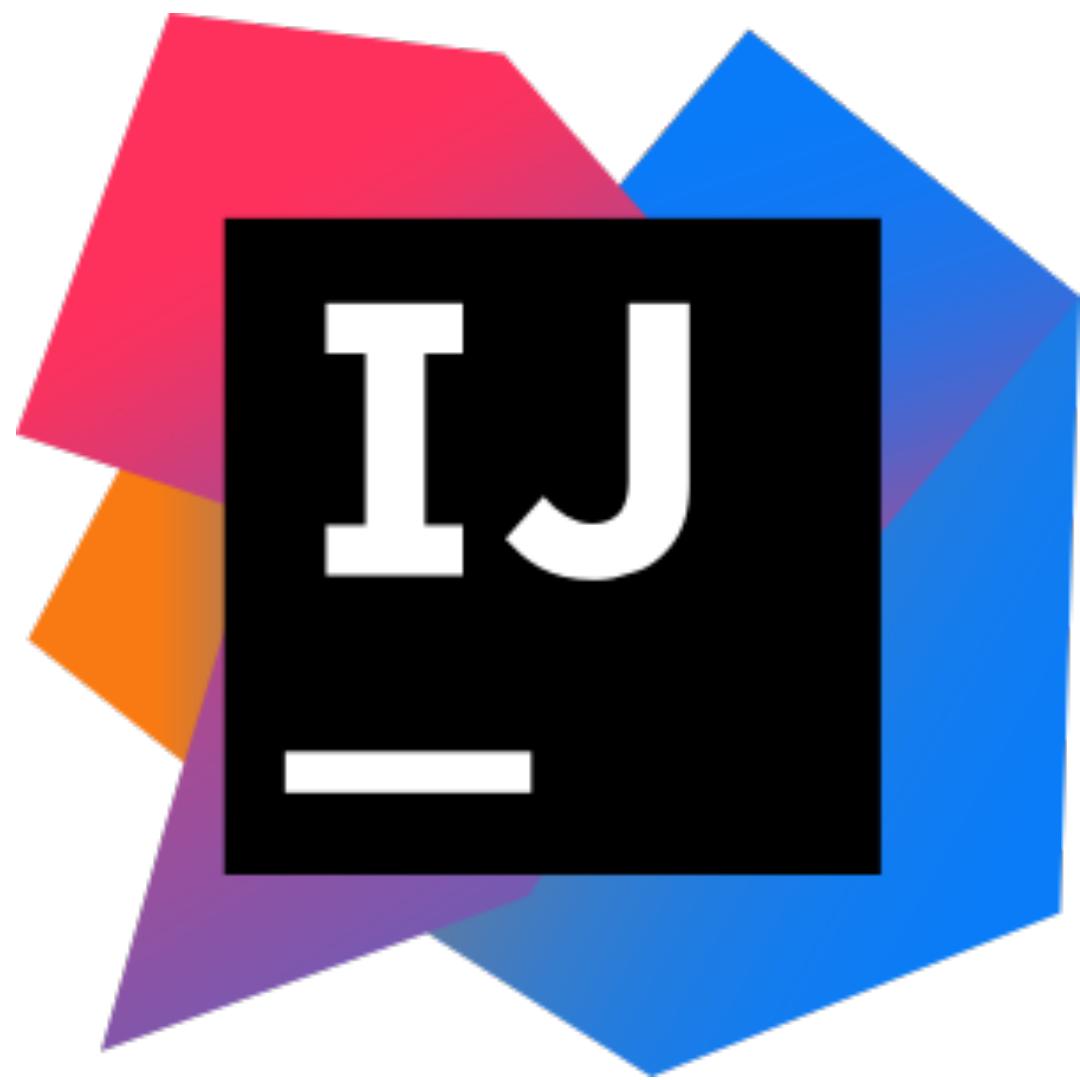


**Manually**

**Terminal**

**IDE**

# IDEs for Android Development

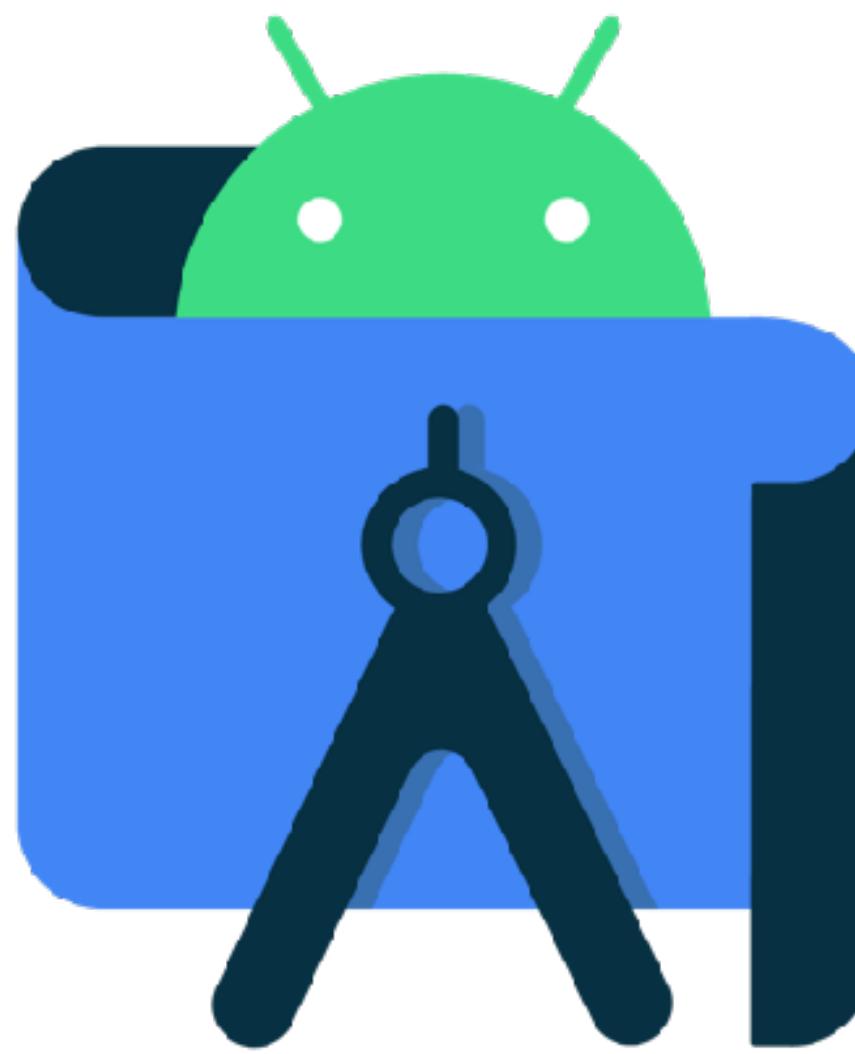


**IntelliJ**



**Android Studio**

# Android Studio



**Based on IntelliJ**  
**Supports Kotlin, Java, C++**  
**Tight integration with Android tooling**  
**Tight integration with emulators**  
**Leverages Gradle**

# OS Requirements for Android Studio

**MacOS**

**Linux**

**Windows**

**ChromeOS**

# JDK Requirements

**Must have a JDK installed**

**JDK supports the JVM-based build tooling**

**JDK 11+ recommended as of Android Studio 4.2**

**Ensure that JAVA\_HOME is set on system**

# How to Install Android Studio?

**Download Site**

**Jetbrains Toolbox**

**Install via Android Studio**

**Can install multiple versions**

**Typically install the latest**

**Add *tools* and *platform-tools* to your path**

Installing Android SDK



# Where to Run Your App?

**Physical Device**

**Emulator**

# Physical Devices



**Usually faster to deploy/test**  
**Requires enabling Developer Options**  
**More exciting**  
**Stockpile for testing**

# Emulators



**Install tooling via SDK Manager**  
**Create/customize to suit your needs**  
**Helps with testing different configurations**



# Gradle

**What is Gradle?**

**Why Gradle for Android?**

**How to interact with Gradle?**

**How to build/deploy via Gradle?**

**How to improve Gradle performance?**

# Basic Build Configuration



**applicationId**  
**minSdk**  
**targetSdk**  
**compileSdk**

**Add a log statement**

**Set a breakpoint**

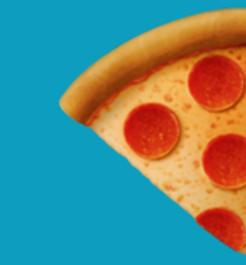
**Deploy debugger**

**Step into/over lines**

**Evaluate expressions**



# Debugging Basics



Lunch

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# Overview

**A brief history of Kotlin**

**Why Kotlin for Android?**

**State of the Kotlin ecosystem**

**How to start with Kotlin?**

**How can Kotlin be used for Android?**

# Hello World in Kotlin

```
fun helloWorld() = println("Hello World!")
```



**Kotlin started in 2010 by Jetbrains**

**Started gaining traction within Android in 2015**

**1.0 release in 2016**

**Google started supporting in 2017**

**Google goes “Kotlin First” in 2019**

**Kotlin 1.5 is latest stable**

# Why Kotlin?

**JVM**

**Modern Features**

**Standard Library**

**Flexible**



# Why Kotlin for Android?

Kotlin is 100% interoperable with Java, brings more modern languages features than older Java versions, and is the Google-recommended language for Android.

# State of the Kotlin Ecosystem

- 1 major release a year**
- Multiple small releases**
- 1.5.20 is latest version**
- Fully compatible with JVM ecosystem**
- Used for Android, backend, and Multiplatform**

# Kotlin Multiplatform

**Android**

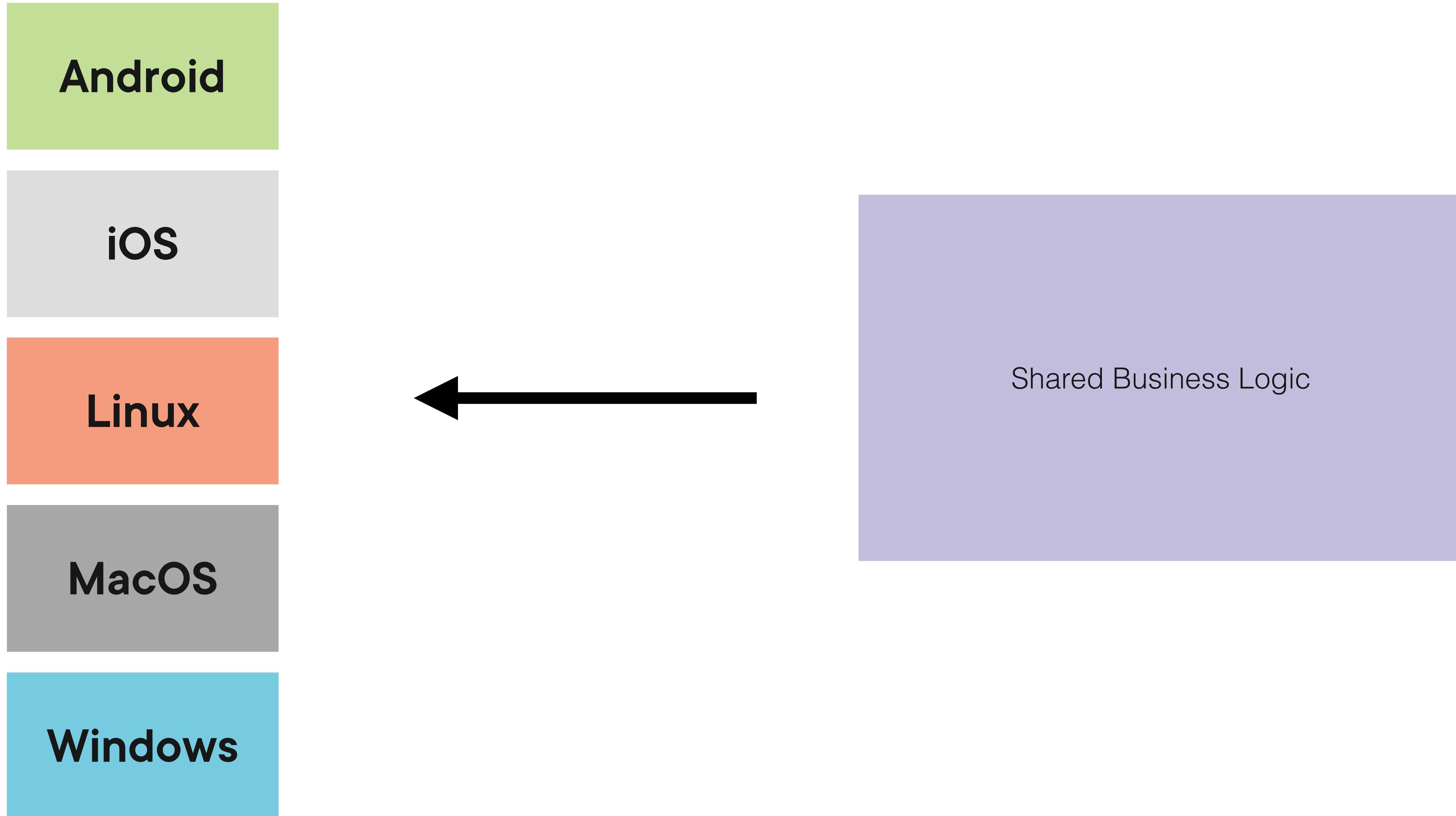
**iOS**

**Windows**

**Linux**

**MacOS**

# Kotlin Multiplatform



# How to Get Started with Kotlin?

**Koans**

**Scratch File**

**Android Studio**

```
fun helloWorld() {  
    println("Hello World!")  
}
```

- ◀ ***fun* keyword denotes a function**
- ◀ ***println()* prints to System.out**

```
fun main() {  
    helloWorld()  
}
```

- ◀ ***main()* is entrypoint for pure Kotlin app**
- ◀ **invoke a function**

output:

"Hello World!"

```
fun helloWorld(greeting: String) {  
    println("$greeting World!")  
}
```

- ◀ Add a *greeting* parameter of type **String**
- ◀ String template substitution

```
fun main() {  
    helloWorld("Hey")  
}
```

- ◀ Pass argument to the function

output:  
“Hey World!”

# Where to Use Kotlin for Android?



**Application code**  
**Multiplatform code**  
**Buildscript logic**  
**Buildscript plugins**  
**Server-side code**

# Kotlin Fundamentals

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# Overview

**First-class functions**

**Interfaces**

**Classes**

**Companion Objects**

**Collections**

# Common Data Types in Kotlin

**String**

**Int**

**Boolean**

**Float**

**List**

**Unit**

# More Data Types

**Byte**

**Uint, Long, Short**

**Char**

**Double**

**Array, IntArray, LongArray, ShortArray**

**Nothing**

**Pair, Triple**

**Throwable**

# Non-Nullable Types



**Kotlin differentiates between null & non-null**  
**Must explicitly mark something as nullable**

```
var name: String = "Nate"  
name = null <- ERROR
```

- ◀ **Create a non-nullable variable**
- ◀ **Cannot assign a null value to non-null type**

```
var name: String? = "Nate"  
name = null <- OK
```

- ◀ **Create nullable variable**
- ◀ **Ok to assign null value**

# Functional Types



- Functions are first-class citizens**
- Can assign function to a variable**
- Can pass functions as function parameters**
- Functions can exist outside of enclosing classes**

# Intermediate Functions



- Default parameter values**
- Named arguments**
- vararg* parameters**

# Advanced Functions



- Higher-order functions**
- Trailing lambda syntax**
- Extension functions**

# Common Collection Types

**List**

**Map**

**Set**

**MutableList**

**MutableMap**

**MutableSet**

# Operating On Collections



- `forEach()`
- `map()`
- `filter()`
- `first()`
- `find()`

# Object Oriented Programming in Kotlin

**Classes**

**Interfaces**

**Enum Classes**

**Data Classes**

**Sealed Classes**

**Object Classes**

# Connecting to Android Views

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# Overview

**Android View system**

**TextViews and Buttons**

**Working with Views in code**

**Responding to user actions**

**Displaying simple feedback to users**



# Building an Android UI



**Layouts represent all/part of what is on screen**

**Views & ViewGroups are added to a layout**

**Layouts are loaded, parsed, and inflated into concrete classes**

**We can reference and interact with these classes**

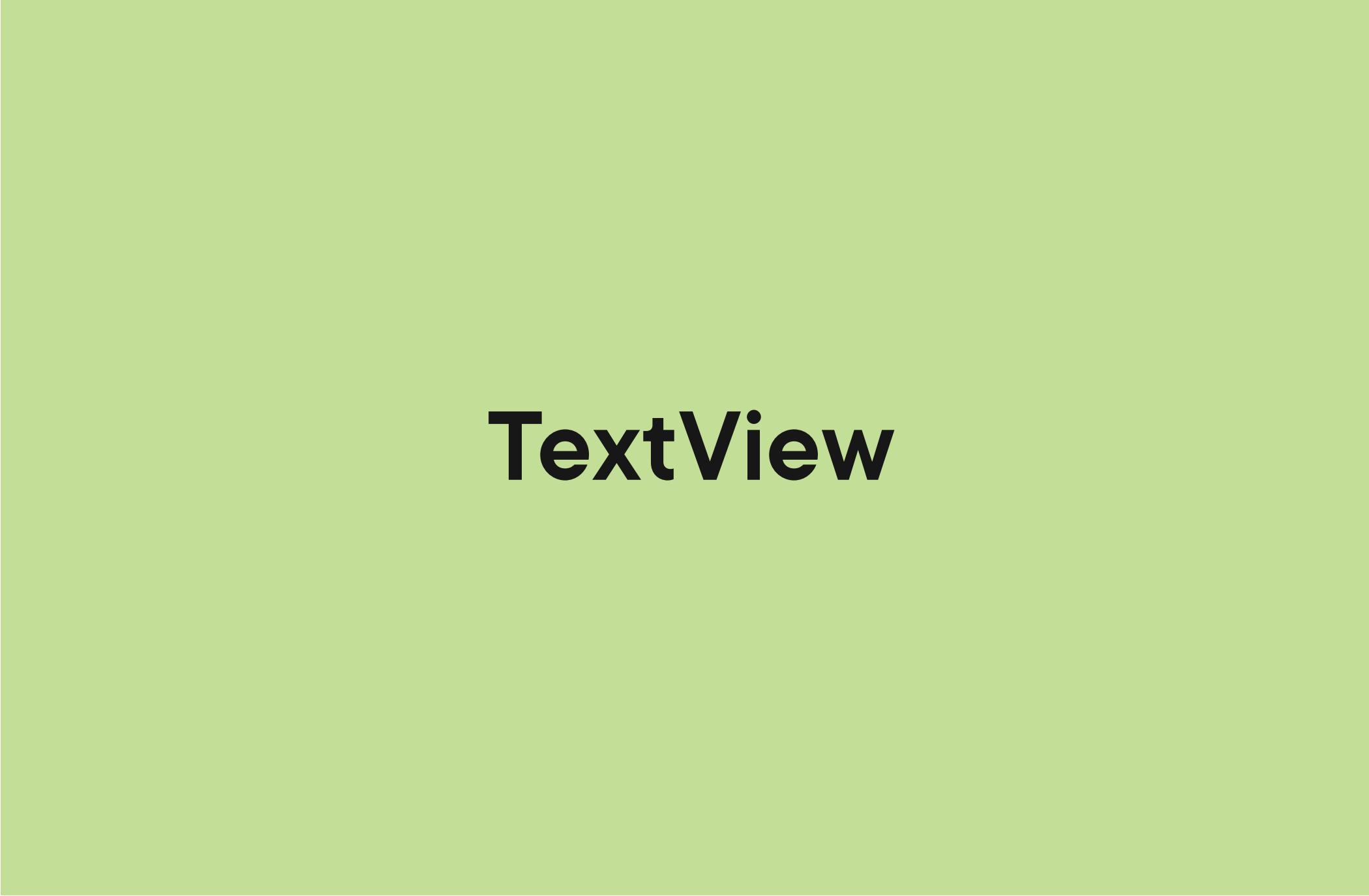
# Layouts

**How do we define a layout?**

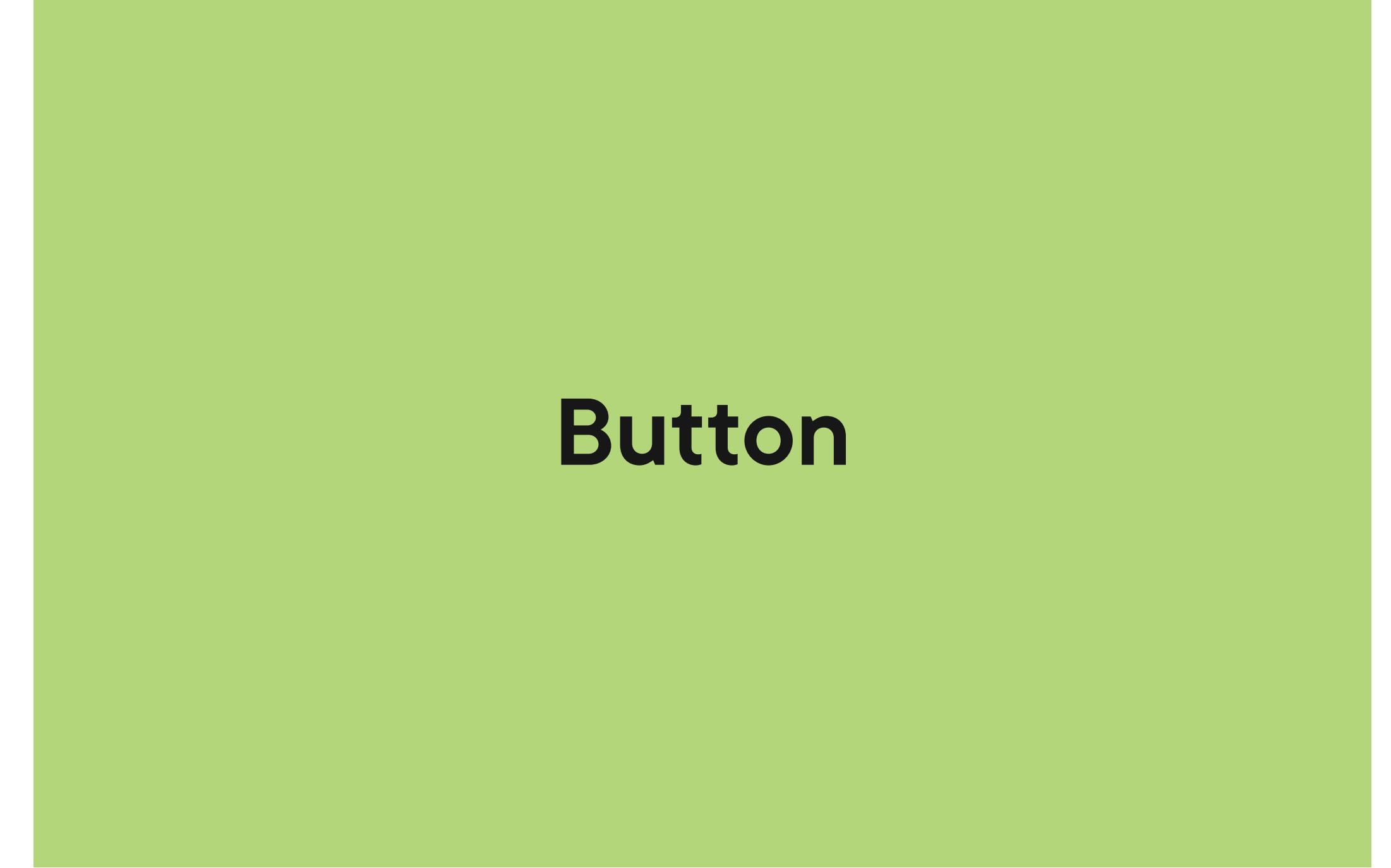
**How do we preview our layout?**

**How do we consume our layout?**

# Basic Views



**TextView**



**Button**

# Basic ViewGroups

**FrameLayout**

**LinearLayout**

**ConstraintLayout**

# FrameLayout

**Most basic**

**No explicit ordering or constraints**

**Very efficient**

**Draws Views one after the other**  
**Vertical or Horizontal**  
**Efficient**  
**Great for stacked elements**

**LinearLayout**

# ConstraintLayout

**Most complex**

**Very powerful set of constraints**

**Highly efficient when done correctly**



# Working With Views in Code

- How do we programmatically connect to a View?**
- How do we set data into a View?**
- How do we interact with elements on screen?**
- How do we update View visibility?**
- How do we show basic feedback to the user?**



# Office Hours