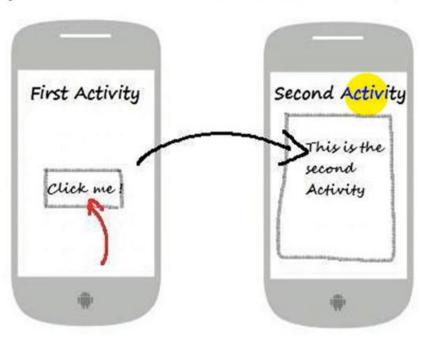
Android Activity life Cycle, So what is Activity?

An **Android activity** is one screen of the **Android** app's user interface. In that way an **Android activity** is very similar to windows in a desktop application. An **Android** app may contain one or more **activities**, meaning one or more screens



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1.6

Eclair 2.0/2.1

Froyo 2.2



Honeycomb



4.0







3.0/3.1







Marshmallow 6.0



Nougat 7.0



Oreo 8.0



9.0

- Android 1.5, Cupcake: April 27, 2009
- · Android 1.6, Donut: September 15, 2009
- Android 2.0-2.1, Eclair: October 26, 2009 (initial release)
- Android 2.2-2.2.3, Froyo: May 20, 2010 (initial release)
- Android 2.3-2.3.7, Gingerbread: December 6, 2010 (initial release)
- Android 3.0-3.2.6, Honeycomb: February 22, 2011 (initial release)
- Android 4.0-4.0.4, Ice Cream Sandwich: October 18, 2011 (initial release)
- Android 4.1-4.3.1, Jelly Bean: July 9, 2012 (initial release)
- · Android 4.4-4.4.4, KitKat: October 31, 2013 (initial release)
- Android 5.0-5.1.1, Lollipop: November 12, 2014 (initial release)
- Android 6.0-6.0.1, Marshmallow: October 5, 2015 (initial release)
- Android 7.0-7.1.2, Nougat: August 22, 2016 (initial release)
- Android 8.0-8.1, Oreo: August 21, 2017 (initial release)
- Android 9.0, Pie: August 6, 2018
- Android 10.0: September 3, 2019

Android

Features of Android

- Ease of Programming
- 2D and 3D Graphics and Animation
- Multiple Languages
- Web Browsers
- n Multi Touch
- Connectivity
- Media Processing
- Sensor Support
- Storage Capabilities
- Large Market Share
- Abstraction of Hardware Differences
- Open Source
- Free to Use
- Ease of Use
- Google Now



Android

Device types running Android

- Smartphones
- Tablets
- Televisions
- Cars and In Vehicle Entertainment
- Android Wear Devices
- Google Glass

















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Challenges to Developing for Android

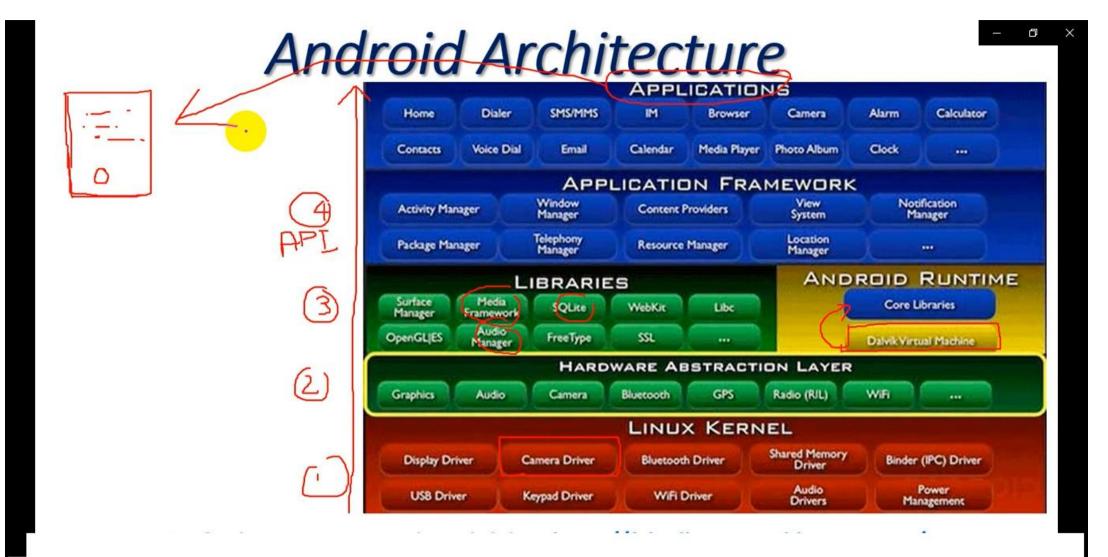
- Hardware Fragmentation
- Software Fragmentation
- Lack of Hardware Software Integration Standards
- Lack of Quality Control on Android devices

In computer storage, fragment a phenomenon in which storage space is used inefficiently, reducing capacity or performance and often both. ... In many cases, fragmentation leads to storage space being "wasted", and in that case the term also refers to the wasted space itself.

Android and Open Source platform

- Android is developed privately by Google
- Later, source code is made available to everyone
- Anyone can make changes
- Huge community of mod'ers and developers
- Custom ROMs available to most devices





Emulators vs Simulators

Emulators

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Simulators

An emulator is an application that emulates real mobile device software, hardware and operating systems, allowing us to test and debug our applications.

Emulator is usually provided by device manufacturer.

Emulators are written in machine-level assembly languages.

Emulators are more suitable for debugging.

Often an emulator comes as a complete reimplementation of the original software.

e.g. - Android (SDK) Emulator



A simulator is a less complex application that simulates internal behavior of a device, but does not emulate hardware and does not work over the real operating system.

A simulator may be created by the device manufacturer or by some other company.

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Simulator is just a partial re-implementation of the original software .

e.g. - iOS Simulator

